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**This Week at KH...**

**Shabbat Services**

<b>Shabbat</b>	<b>Fri, 07/14</b>	<b>Candle lighting</b>	<b>8:09 pm</b>
	<b>Sat, 07/15</b>	<b>Shaharit PINHAS</b>	<b>9:45 am</b>
		<b>Shabbat ends</b>	<b>9:09 pm</b>

**Shabbat services take place at St Pauls, 113 Engle St, Englewood.  
 Children's services at 10:45.**

**UPCOMING KH EVENTS**

**ש Divrei Torah:**

**If you would like to sign up to give a dvar, send an email to Toby Reifman**

**at tobyreifman@gmail.com**

### **Kiddushim**

**If you would like to sponsor or co-sponsor a kiddush in honor of a birthday, yahrzeit or any special occasion, send an e-mail to [kiddush@khnj.org](mailto:kiddush@khnj.org).**

### **KH News**

**Community Meeting; The annual KH community meeting took place on Tuesday, June 27 at 7:30 p.m. Twenty-four members were in attendance carrying proxy ballots for an additional 15 members. At the meeting Rabbi Elias delivered a dvar in which he thanked the congregation for its friendship, support and inspiration as he transitions into his new role as principal of the Solomon Schechter Middle School.**

**At the meeting, the congregation voted unanimously to amend the by-laws of the congregation to enable KH to be eligible to apply for federal 501c3 status. Once approved, this status will enable us to receive matching gifts from corporate donors, exemptions from local sales tax as well as other benefits. Barry Kaplan thanked Joe Mach for all the work that went into this application.**

**Barry also presented a summary of income and expenses as well as the budget for the next fiscal year. Both income and expenses have remained stable over the past four years as a result of steady membership dues, successful high holiday appeals, and several successful fund raisers spread out throughout the year. The budget for the upcoming year was approved unanimously.**

**Barry also updated the congregation on the state of the rabbinic search. As yet, the search continues with the next candidate, Rabbi Yisrael Serok scheduled to visit KH for Shabbat services on Saturday July 8. At this point, the search committee and the Vaad have decided that rather than hire a single rabbi on a long term and regular basis, over the next year the plan is to introduce a number of visiting rabbis and scholars who, in addition to our lay leaders, will offer regular leadership of services and educational presentations. Rabbi Elias has generously agreed to be available for all life cycle events during the transitional period. Barry thanked David Katzen for his hard work in chairing the search committee and also thanked committee members, Debbie Berman, June Kaplan Brynn Levy, Sharon Morganstern, David Silverman, and Cliff Stein for their efforts.**

**Steve Haber as chair of the Nominating Committee presented the slate of**

**candidates for re-election to the Vaad. Barry Kaplan and Sharon Morganstern were nominated for re-election as co-presidents. Rebecca Ivry and Phyllis Gordon were also nominated for re-election to the Vaad. The slate of candidates was approved unanimously. Steve congratulated the candidates and thanked the nominating committee members: Gigi Brown, Bruce Maier, Carolyn Niederman and Miriam Pomeranz.**

**Finally, Maya Haber addressed the congregation, proposing a new Tikkun Olam project which would involve trail clean ups and tours of the historic Palisades Interstate Park where Maya is currently working. The first clean-up/tour will take place sometime after the holidays this Fall. Maya also discussed her work at Vibe Israel, a new foundation targeting young Jewish and non-Jewish millennials to publicize Israel's vibrant artistic, culinary and cultural life. Information and opportunities to donate can be found at [VibeIsrael.com](http://VibeIsrael.com).**

**The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.**

**Midnight Run: Thanks to everyone who participated and contributed to another successful Midnight Run Breakfast on Sunday June 18. Special thanks to Barry Kaplan and Eliot Spiegel for organizing, as well as Bruce and Miriam Pomeranz, David, Daniel and Michael Silverman, Allie Kaplan, Rachel and Abigail Pomeranz, Zoey Spiegel, Inga Silberthau, Ben Stein, Edward and Julius Rashba.**

**Project Clean Up: Thanks so much to the KH members who helped to clean up the KH office space. Special thanks to volunteers: Michael Blady, Rebecca Ivry, Steve & Carolyn Niederman, Jeff Brecker, Ken Paston and Sharon Morganstern.**

**Yahrzeits for the Month of Tammuz**

**Murray Beer remembered by Lovey Beer  
Joseph (Joski) Winkler remembered by Gigi Brown  
Frank Friedberg remembered by Rabbi Fred Elias  
Paul Kaplan remembered by Mark Kaplan  
Selma Levine Lieberman remembered by Rabbi Phil Lieberman  
Linda Rashba remembered by Edward Rashba  
Ralph Fishbein remembered by Toby Reifman  
Anne Wild remembered by Phil Wild**

## **SIMCHA CORNER**

**Mazel Tov to Tony DeStefano on the publication of his newest book *The Big Heist: The Real Story of the Lufthansa Heist, The Mafia, and Murder*, about the 1978 crime which inspired the movie *Goodfellas*.**

**Mazal tov to the many KH young people who have recently graduated from Middle School, High School, College and Graduate School.**

### **High School**

**Jonah Bern—Temple University**

**Ben Stein, Year Course (Gap Year in Israel)—Tufts University**

**Allie Kaplan, Nativ (Gap Year in Israel)—Washington University in St. Louis**

**Rachel Pomeranz, Wesleyan University**

**Abby Hockstein, Aardvark (Gap Year in Israel)—Tulane University**

**Alexa Levy, University of Maryland**

**Aaron Lemmer, Nativ (Gap Year in Israel)—University of Maryland**

### **Middle School**

**Sarah Petersen**

**Jed DeVillers**

**Sam Deutsch**

**Gidon Sytner**

### **College**

**Debbie Blady, University of Wisconsin**

**Rachel Brown, University of Wisconsin**

**Daniel Silverman, Syracuse University**

### **Graduate School**

**Jordanna Maier, NYU, Masters in Literacy**

**Samantha Morganstern Buchman, Stanford University, Ph.D.**

**If you have a simcha you would like to share with the community, please send information to Steve Haber.**

## **KH PROJECTS**

⚡ **The Kolhas:** KH's Co-ed softball season is underway. Anyone 16 or older interested in playing on the team should contact Bruce Pomeranz by email at [bruce.pomeranz@gmail.com](mailto:bruce.pomeranz@gmail.com)

⚡ **Food Drive:** KH will be collecting canned and non-perishable food each Shabbat and holiday morning. Especially needed are: cans of tuna fish or jars of peanut butter to fill our food pantry donation bin! You can bring them over to KH anytime during the week or on Shabbat. Let's try to fill our box every week to help our neighbors in need. All food will be donated to the Center for Food Action in Englewood.

⚡ **Chumashim:** Dedicate an Etz Hayim book of Torah and Commentary in memory of a loved one or in honor of a simcha. Just send your donation of \$72 to Kol HaNeshamah, PO Box 8002, Englewood, NJ 07631. Please indicate on your check that the donation is for the Chumashim Project. Your name, as donor, and the name of your loved one or honoree will be inscribed in a new volume.

⚡ **KH Scrip--** You can buy scrip cards at any time, or set up a monthly easy pre-payment plan. Shop at **ShopRite, Stop & Shop & Peapod (online shopping & delivery)**. **5% of all purchases go to KH!** To order scrip, contact Ellen Kaplan at [info@KHNJ.org](mailto:info@KHNJ.org).

⚡ **KH Chesed Cards:** Chesed cards are a meaningful way to send congratulation notes or sympathy messages to friends and family and help support KH at the same time. To purchase, contact Ellen Kaplan at [EKaplan01@aol.com](mailto:EKaplan01@aol.com) or 201-816-8794 or Fran Spiegel at [Swah2u@gmail.com](mailto:Swah2u@gmail.com) or 201-207-3565.

⚡ **Mi Sheberach List:** If you know of someone in need of our prayers and thoughts, please email [Rebecca Ivry](mailto:Rebecca.Ivry) with that person's name in English and Hebrew. If you had given a name which you wish to remove, please email that information as well.

⚡ **Memorial Board:** KH maintains a Memorial Board as a way to honor the memory of our loved ones. Plaques are available. For more information, please contact [Gigi Brown](mailto:gigiwb@aol.com) at [gigiwb@aol.com](mailto:gigiwb@aol.com).

## **Community Announcements**

ψ **Birthright Israel: Young adults between the ages of 18-26 who live, work or go to school in northern New Jersey can join us for a FREE 10 day trip to Israel, courtesy of Birthright Israel, Israel Outdoors and Jewish Federation of Northern New Jersey! For more information, contact Ethan Behling at [ethanb@jfnnj.org](mailto:ethanb@jfnnj.org) or 201-820-3955.**

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