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This past month I had the opportunity to join together with 18,000 supporters of Israel at the annual AIPAC convention in Washington DC. AIPAC is founded upon advocating for bipartisan American support for the security and prosperity of Israel. Throughout the conference members of both the Republican and Democratic parties, as well as other national and international figures, expressed their unreserved support for the state of Israel and a strong American-Israel relationship.

I was particularly moved by the brave member of Parliament the Right Honorable Joan Ryan, a former member of the Labour party who left her party over the rampant anti-Semitism that has plagued Britain in recent years. MP Ryan send a chill through the audience when she said "I would never have believed three years ago that the party would have sunk so low, so fast." One wonders whether the same could be said in the near future for our major parties, with the Democratic Party being hijacked by a progressive agenda whose ideologues are often openly anti-Israel and anti-Semitic, and with the Republican Party, although unwavering supporters of Israel, increasingly seen as a home for extreme-right ideologies.

As I shared with the congregation upon

my return, the conference left me with much food for thought about double standards, as applied both to Israel and within Israel. We all recognize the double standard that leads to a hyper-focus on the relatively less severe violations of human rights perpetrated in a defensive posture by the state of Israel, all the

while completely ignoring far more blatant violations across the globe. How is it that those who criticize Israel for being a (mislabeled) apartheid state have literally nothing to say when the King of Brunei declares that homosexuals and adulterers will now be put to death by stoning in his kingdom.

There is another, and I believe justifiable, double standard that Israel is entitled to apply to itself: the right to treat mortal threats outside of conventional norms. The annexation of the Golan Heights is an excellent example of this. While I, and for that matter the state of Israel, values the rule of law, applying the normal international standard that mandates territory captured in warfare be returned simply does not apply to Israel. The reason why this double standard is justifiable has to do with the unique position of the Golan Heights as a base for shelling and terror of the northern Galilee, as it was before the 1967 war.

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Respectfully Yours...

from the desk of

Rabbi Weinbach

The Great AIPAC Pep Rally

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17	7:51	8:56
24	7:58	9:03
31	8:04	9:09



From the Editor's Desk...

Whew! As I write this article, Passover is

almost over. I don't welcome all the preparation for the holiday, however, I wouldn't have it any other way. We have hosted two seders for many years. I do all the cooking, I don't want help, but our guests do all the eating.

Seems odd to me that when I speak with some of my gentile friends they were deciding which restaurant to go to for Easter dinner with their family. One of my friends and her husband were going to Myrtle Beach to a time-share over the Easter holiday without their children and grandchildren. This would be unthinkable to me. I am upset that although two of our sons and their families were with us, our Nashville son and his family were unable to share the holiday up north. No wonder my chicken soup was a little too salty—my tears dripped into it!

I know that I speak for most of us when I say that for our holidays we are home, if not in our own houses, we are at the homes of family and friends where we celebrate together. It is not in our vocabulary to go "out" for the holiday meals. Maybe this mind-set is what contributes to keeping our family values strong.

I pray that we can keep doing this for many, many more years to come.



SHALOM

Roberta



Submissions for the Summer issue are due by May 10th. Please **promptly** send in any articles or flyers, via e-mail, to be included in the issue.--ED.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Jonathan Meister

Spring is upon us and as the weather has changed I have also noticed the change in the Synagogue. Snowbirds have returned, the Saturday crowd gets larger and there is a sense of renewal and hope.

As I have written about many times before, coming to shul is an event like no other. It is our sanctuary in a turbulent world. Yet, it needs to be more than a sanctuary. It needs to be a symbol to the Jewish community and the surrounding community that a vibrant form of Judaism still exists in Rockland County and the immediate surrounding area where we are free to enjoy each other's company, practice our faith in our own way with no judgment and also to have a little fun.

One of the dangers we face is that of becoming a "Shabbos Shul." Yes, our turnout on Saturday mornings is excellent and exceeds most synagogues of the non-orthodox variety in Rockland County or in the Metropolitan area for that matter. However, we are open 365 days a year. Unfortunately, when it comes to attendance at programs, whether it be a Sisterhood event or a Men's Club event, a movie night, a Rabbi's class, a book club, a knitting class, daily minyans, Friday night dinners, the numbers are far less.

This Springtime, this season of renewal, the time to turn this around is now and presents itself right before our eyes. That is the Annual Journal Dinner Dance on Sunday, June 23. Besides being our congregation's largest fundraiser, it is also an opportunity for us to shine as a congregation. It is an elegant, fun evening which is a symbol of our success and this year marks the 10th anniversary of the Congregation.

Our honorees this year are extremely well deserving. Anita Finkelstein, Dr. Morton Julius and Joyce Trubitz serve as the perfect tributees. They share all of the qualities that represent our Congregation. All three are quite outgoing, all

are active participants in the events I have listed above and all three are representative in different ways of the beautiful colors of our Congregation. Our building is aesthetically pleasing and all three contribute to the general aesthetics, Anita with her beautiful hats on a Shabbos morning, Morty with his colorful socks, ties and jokes from the bimah and Joyce with her constant revisions to the flower arrangements that adorn our sanctuary.

It is always important to provide financial support. However, we need the physical presence of our Congregation as well. This includes the journal dinner, minyanim, programs and events or just to walk into the building and say hello to Peggy, Jennifer, Edwin and Chanel. As the Cantor mentioned in a sermon a few weeks ago, having a beautiful building without people using it, lessens the value of such a place. We need to ensure that 18 Montebello Road remains not just a beautiful building but a living breathing monument to all that is good about the way we celebrate our faith. Let us use this time of renewal now to fill the building and the Journal Dinner Dance with a sense of purpose and to continue to enjoy are time together, not just in a serious way of prayer but in a way that celebrates life.



Minyons

Weekday evenings:

Sunday-Thursday: 8 pm

Weekday mornings:

Monday & Thursday: 7:00 am

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:10 am

Sunday mornings: 9 am

Friday evenings: 6:30 pm



THE CANTOR'S CLOUD by Cantor Menachem Bazian Unintended Consequences

The "Law of Unintended Consequences" plays a huge role in many fields. The famous economist, Adam Smith, relied on it in developing his economic theories. Other fields like sociology and psychology try to measure and quantify it. Its basic tenets are so obvious that only the really young, who do not yet have the life experience to identify it, are not clear about what it means.

Who among us has not experienced this? How many times have we taken an action and got results other than what we expected. In truth, many great inventions owe their existence to this indomitable truth. Alexander Graham Bell discovered the telephone by accident, just to name one. Our beloved State of Israel owes its existence in part due to the utter cruelty of the Holocaust. If that statement seems very strange to you, consider this. Given the utter propensity of the world to hate Jews, do you think that anything other than shock over the Holocaust could have gotten the UN, to agree to the partition plan that led to the establishment of the state?

The period between Pesach and Shavuot is known as *Sefira* because we count each day. Beginning with the second night of Pesach, we count from 1 to 49 knowing that each day brings us one day closer to celebrating the greatest gift in history: the presentation of the *Torah* to the Jewish people.

One would think that each day would be filled with greater and greater joy and anticipation. Like a child eagerly awaiting the presents on their birthday and counts the days until its arrival, each day brings greater expectations and excitement. If we are counting from our redemption in Egypt to our receipt of the *Torah*, would that not be how we should be feeling?

Yet, there are many Jews who observe a portion of the 49 days as days of mourning. They refrain from haircuts, shaving, public forms of entertainment and other restrictions. Why? Because the *Talmud* records that 24,000 students of Rabbi Akiva died

during a 33 day period that occurred between Pesach and Shavuot. In remembrance of the catastrophe, people conduct themselves as I described.

And why did they die? The *Talmud* tells us that they died "because they did not conduct themselves respectfully with each other."

Why do we commemorate the catastrophe? Because we are meant to learn a lesson from their mistakes.

I find it hard to believe that the students of the great Rabbi Akiva went around insulting each other. Rabbi Akiva, a maverick in his own right, was the greatest sage of his time. Rabbi Akiva's *halachic* opinions in *Talmud* are frequently taken as authoritative law. His piety and faith were an example for all future generations and many stories about them are recounted in rabbinic literature. One would think that someone like Rabbi Akiva would teach his students proper behavior. If so, what happened?

I think we can look around the world today and maybe have an inkling. The world today is filled with people who have formed strong opinions and are closed minded to any speech that does not conform to their own. These people live in an echo chamber where their view of the world is constantly validated. When they meet someone with other opinions, the "discussion" is frequently anything but: They do not talk to each other but rather at each other.

I have no doubt that Rabbi Akiva's 24,000 students were brilliant scholars. I also have no doubt that anyone seeing their regular daily interaction would not have seen boorish behavior. But I wonder whether or not the "respect" they withheld from their colleagues was the simple recognition that there may be validity in another opinion. I am sure that they



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THE CANTOR'S CLOUD

(continued)

did not intend disrespect: if they were people of that sort they would not have studied with Rabbi Akiva. But I wonder if, in their zeal to learn *Torah* and reach the truth that is core to learning *Torah*, they may have forgotten that every opinion deserves to be heard and weighed.

In our own lives, there are certainly times when we feel we are right without any doubt. When we feel that way, we are most vulnerable to fall into the trap of closing our minds. When we close our minds, we are cutting ourselves off from learning more. Maybe we aren't right? Maybe we are right but there can be improvements? One of the greatest qualities we can foster is that of an open mind. When our minds are open, we treat others with more respect because we will be interested in what they have to say. Perhaps, if we have our minds open, we can open other minds too.

There is no doubt that our society is in no small amount of trouble. Political debate is almost gone. People do not talk with each other anymore, they shout at each other. More communications are done using impersonal technologies than with the age old method of actually talking face to face.

If we work, maybe we can do our part to reverse some of this trend. We won't change the world but maybe, just maybe, we can start a ripple that can turn into a wave that could turn into a flood of change. We have to do our part. I'll leave the rest to *Hashem*.

Note: *The opinions expressed in this article are mine and mine alone. Have a comment? Disagree with me? Please let me know. You can email me at:*

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Condolences to...

The family of our former member, Mimi Leff
The family of our former member,
Dr. Sheldon Rein

ADDENDUM Cantor Bazian

In several of my prior **Scroll** articles, I have called for us to be vocal and fight anti-semitism in all its forms and wherever it manifests itself. You may recall that I specifically called out the company AirBnB.com for their acts of blatant anti-semitism when they put in place a policy that singled out Jewish properties in Judea and Samaria for delisting on their website. I asked that anyone who has an Airbnb account cancel that account and tell the company why they were cancelling. I myself cancelled my account immediately.

The response to Airbnb's flagrant anti-semitism was strong and came from many different directions. As reported by *Forbes* magazine:

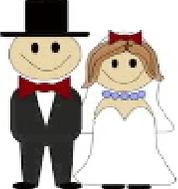
"Several U.S. states are now researching whether the global travel company has broken state laws by prohibiting the listings. Some U.S. cities are calling for a boycott. Airbnb faces multiple lawsuits over alleged discrimination, and U.S. Vice President Mike Pence criticized the move during a keynote at the Israeli American Council conference on November 30, saying Airbnb's actions had "no place" in the market. Last week, a prominent rabbi took out a full-page ad in the *Washington Post*, titled '*Airbnb: Anti-Semitic Bed & Breakfast.*'"

Texas enacted a boycott. Beverly Hills, CA did the same and Miami was looking into it. A lawsuit was brought by American/Israeli citizens who live in Judea and Samaria over the ban. And many Jews (I wish I could tell you a number, but I don't have it) cancelled their accounts over this issue.

Well, the *NY Times* reported on April 9, 2019, that Airbnb has now reversed their policy and will list the properties from Judea and Samaria on their website. They have promised to donate all their profits to humanitarian organizations which I have no problem with so long as those organizations have no ties to BDS, anti-semitism or terrorist related organizations.

Your voice counts! Airbnb's capitulation shows that we can and must continue to fight. The souls of millions of our murdered and oppressed coreligionists demand it.



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SISTERHOOD MESSAGE

President Audrey Meister

To my "Sisters"....April showers have now brought May flowers and Spring. I don't know if you realize this, but **Scroll** articles are due several weeks before the next month's issue. When I write the article some of its content is the past, the present, or the future. I hope you all had a glorious Purim and a Happy Passover.

Our fundraising committee, chaired by Dale Smith, is busy all year, planning fun events, to entertain, and raise money for CSI. Our program chairwoman, Louisa DePaola, has planned many wonderful programs! Have you attended them? I have suggested at our board meeting that perhaps we should change our schedule for regular meetings. Attendance is poor in winter, even when the weather has been cooperative. I would like your opinions. The paid-up membership (November), Chanukah (December), Donor/installation (June) will remain unchanged. Should we do alternate months, or occasional afternoon gatherings? E-mail me your opinions at meister@verizon.net or call me at 845-357-0824 and leave a message if I am not home.

Every Friday our flyers appear in the Shabbos notes. These flyers are also available on the table in the hallway of the synagogue. There are announcements made from the bima on Saturday. There are mailings and telephone calls for all events. Please try to attend!

Shoprite cards can be purchased all year round, either from Peggy in the office, or from Evie Maher. Our newest fundraiser is from Yankee Candle. It's not only candles. It's a

catalogue of many interesting items. You can order online until July 10, to be delivered to your home, or you can order from a catalogue in the office from April 29-May 27, by check only, which will be delivered to CSI. For questions call Phyllis Polovsky 845- 365 0750.

P.S. Last month I wrote about the Israeli spacecraft Beresheet, named after the Hebrew word for the Book of Genesis. It is the smallest of the unmanned crafts by weight, measuring only 1.5m by 2m at 600kg (about 1300 lbs.). The spacecraft has sent back amazing pictures of sunsets, and selfies to the engineering team located in central Israel. The team maneuvered the craft to enter into the moon's gravity and orbit before landing on the moon's surface. (sometime in April) This shows the amazing technology of Israel.

On a more disturbing note: Ali Express, which is the Chinese version of Amazon, was selling on their website a "Lego Nazi set." The set included WWII German SS troops as well as a Hitler figure. After protests from the World Zionist Organization (WZO) and Israel Knesset members, it was removed.

We have seen this year such a tremendous rise in Anti-Semitism, in the United States and in Europe. With Yom Hashoah, Yom Hazikaron, and Yom Haatzmaut we must never let the -- world forget!!

Yom Hashoah--Wednesday, May 1
Yom Hazikaron--Tuesday, May 7
Yom Haatzmaut--Wednesday, May 8



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Sisterhood gathers women's toiletries for gift baskets for the Center for Safety & Change



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MEN'S CLUB MESSAGE

President Mark Pfeffer

Hopefully all of us lit a Yellow Memorial candle to commemorate Yom HaShoah, May 2, which the Men's Club sold for a donation of \$18. If you have yet to send in your \$18 donation, payable to the Men's Club of Congregation Shaarey Israel, please do so.

Mother's Day is celebrated on Sunday, May 12th. We hope to recognize all of the Mothers at an extended Kiddush on Saturday, May 11th but details are being worked out because that day we are having a Bar Mitzvah and do not want to detract from the family's simcha.

June is very exciting for the Men's Club. **Myron Sugerman** will enthral us with his true narrative of the "Last Jewish Gangster." Save the date of **June 30th, at 10:00 a.m.** for a **Breakfast Program** at which time Mr. Sugerman talk about the history of the Jewish Mob, and their remarkable contributions for the betterment of the welfare of the Jewish people. He also relates how the Mob contributed money, and weapons to Palestine, prior to it becoming the State of Israel. Sugerman's book, *The Last Jewish Gangster*, also touches upon aging, respect, trust, and greed. The book contains many life lessons. This is a breakfast program that should not be missed.

On the evening of **June 19th** we will sit down with **Cantor Bazian**, and he will reveal to us what were some of the influences that inclined him to undertake his career choice. We will learn what influenced him to be a Cantor and we will learn about the "Art of the Cantor", a personal journey. Mark your calendar for **June 19th, at 7:00 p.m.**

On **Sunday, September 8th 2019**, Men's Club is sponsoring a trip to **The Museum of Jewish Heritage** where we will view the exhibit a *Living Memorial to the Holocaust*. Together we will explore the Horror of Auschwitz. We will be travelling down to the Museum as a group, where a group guided tour has been reserved. We shall spend the day at an exhibition that

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seen in North America. Join us on September 8th, as we bus to New York City for this exhibition. The program is entitled *Auschwitz, Not Long Ago, Not Far Away*. We hope to fill a bus so let us know of your interest in this program.

In a prior Men's Club message we encouraged people to get out and participate in outdoor trips and activities. We proposed a day outing to The **Touro Synagogue** also known as Congregation Jeshuat Israel. It is a synagogue built in 1763 in Newport, Rhode Island which is the oldest synagogue building still standing in the United States and the oldest surviving Jewish synagogue building in North America. We are looking for fellow travelers interested in taking this day trip, to travel to Newport Rhode Island to visit this museum. Let's explore and share some of these experiences together. Inform the office of your interest.

Won't you join us at our next Men's Club meeting. The Men's Club meetings are usually scheduled on the first Monday of each month. The upcoming meeting will be held on May 6th at 7:00 p.m. We encourage all the men of Congregation Shaarey Israel to join us and we look forward to having you come down to a meeting and attending our activities. The Men's Club welcomes and appreciates your participation.



RABBI'S MESSAGE

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Although we value the rule of law, it is simply inconceivable from the strategic point of view to return the Golan Heights to Syria.

However, this willingness to apply a double standard can be taken too far. The basic value of a democratic state is that all citizens may vote and that nothing should be done that suppresses the vote. I was therefore dismayed to hear that the Likud party employed a strategy to do just that. While I understand their position that a left-wing government will adopt policies that will bring renewed terrorism and a compromised sense of security, that is very different from a mortal threat that would justify actions we would otherwise consider reprehensible. Only when we are certain that the threat is direct and mortal are we entitled to use extraordinary means; Arab citizens voting in elections, and for that matter the possibility of a less right-wing government, simply do not qualify. We must protect ourselves not only from mortal threats that are real but from the moral corruption that follows from stepping outside of ethical norms to address a distant threat.

There is one accusation of double standard against not only Israel but supporters of the United States that is both wrong and intolerable. Questions about dual loyalty are simply unacceptable. It is our responsibility to

our nation--the United States of America--that we must stand together with Israel. Israel is the only nation in the Middle East founded not on the double standard of those with power and those without, but rather on the values of freedom, democracy and peace. When we support Israel we act in support of the interests of the United States and everything that the United States stands for, and we are prepared to make peace with anyone who will use that peace for greater freedom and prosperity.

We will always defend our right to apply the only double standard that is justified: the right to treat mortal threats outside of conventional norms. Let us remember that we are threatened, we are strong, and through AIPAC and other organizations we have friends and supporters across the political spectrum of our country.

Please plan to join me next March 1-3 in Washington for AIPAC 2020!



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Sunday, June 23

Annual Journal Dinner-Dance

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Anita Finkelstein and Dr. Morton Julius

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"woman of valor"

Congregant of the Month: Anita Finklestein
"Still Waters Run Deep"
by Julie Feldman

Anita Finkelstein is well known to members of our congregation as Sisterhood's Recording Secretary and she is one of the most fashionable women around, but she is also one of the quietest. Amazingly, she allowed me to interview her for my column, and I think you'll agree that there is much to know about her.

JF: Where did you grow up?

AF: I was born in Manhattan and grew up in the West Bronx on Valentine Avenue between 183rd and 184th Street. Later my family moved to the Lincoln Park area of Yonkers, in Westchester. My father attended the Lincoln Park Jewish Center.

JF: Tell me about your family.

AF: I have one older sister. My father was a dress manufacturer and my mother was a dress buyer.

JF: What did you do for a living?

AF: I was a buyer for coats for a buying office in New York City for department stores. Buying offices advise stores about what is going to be "in" for the coming season, including what brand and designer to buy. Then I worked for Abraham & Strauss. Later, after my first husband and I moved to Rockland I met Herb Reisman. He was in the Legislature at the time and he offered me a job. I took it, and when he became Ramapo Town Supervisor, I moved over with him. I was involved in the town Twinning Program with Italy, Ireland, Israel, India, the Philippines and Ghana. I was involved in the fundraising for the program and in being a chaperone for the High School students who went on the twinning trips. I also was involved in forming the "Over 90 Club". The town would arrange monthly meetings for these super-seniors at restaurants that would donate a luncheon. We also received donations of small merchandise for them and we would pick them up individually at their homes. It gave this group who was becoming more isolated, an opportunity to socialize.

JF: What made you interested in joining Monsey Jewish Center (and later CSI)?

AF: My first husband and I lived at Fort Bragg in North Carolina when we first married. After our

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New York and a cousin of ours suggested at looking at Rockland County as a place to make our home. We bought a house on Viola Road and Rabbi and Leah Chanofsky lived next door. We just fell in love with them and with the shul. On Friday nights, the Rabbi would come to our house and knock his special "Shabbos Knock" and my husband and the children would walk over to the synagogue with him. Both my children attended Hebrew School at MJC.

JF: What are your hobbies?

AF: Hat shopping, spending time with my grandchildren and going to the gym.

JF: Tell me about a life-defining moment.

AF: I guess it was being on my own after my divorce. And then I met Morty at MJC. Our children were friends and over time we found we had a lot in common.

JF: What is your favorite book, movie, song, piece of music, piece of art, etc.?

AF: I love to read, and I am part of the book clubs of the National Counsel of Jewish Women and the CSI Book Club. I've just finished *The Boy* and *The Tattooist of Auschwitz*.

JF: If money were not an object, what would you do?

AF: I would travel in the US and see all of our states. There are many places I've never been to such as the Dakotas, the Midwest (with the exception of Chicago) and many, many other places.

JF: Please sum up your philosophy of life for us.

AF: "Do unto others as you would have done unto you." Have respect and compassion. Don't judge people by looks or how they talk. There are a lot of good, nice people and I've been lucky to meet some of them.





Journal Dinner Dance

Sunday June 23, 2019

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&

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Sheri & Danny Kwilecki and to Ilana & David Kwilecki on the birth of their grandson and great-grandson, Shai Gordon Kwilecki



Let's kvell together...

send in your children's, grandchildren's and great-grandchildren's graduate info for publication in the next issue of

The Scroll

Wow! We are at it again...another year for the Men's Club Calendar Sweepstakes.

Winners of previous years' sweepstakes were happy and surprised to receive a check in the mail. Buy a ticket for your children and grandchildren and they too might be surprised if they get a check in the mail.



Please send in a form and check to our friend, Red.



The Rockland Jewish Family Service at the JCC, 450 West Nyack Road, West Nyack, NY provides a Kosher Food Pantry for those in need. Each month a dedicated group of volunteers help pack out and distribute food to our recipients. The pantry is staffed only by volunteers and can always use more help. If you are available any Sunday morning in 2019 the following is a list of distribution dates: May 5, June 2, July 14, August 18, September 15, October 20, November 17 and December 8, 2019.

If you have any questions, concerns, or wish to volunteer your time please contact me at 845-727-4199.

Sandra Chaitin

Men's Club Calendar Sweepstakes Participants

March Winners

DATE	#	NAME	\$
1	154	Barbara Weisel	18
3	141	Joseph Cohen	20
4	52	Michael Harbus	18
5	36	David Kwilecki	14
6	76	Joseph Moskovic	18
7	219	Carl & Rona Paley	14
8	62	Cameron James Donath	20
10	207	Herman Berzon	18
11	179	Jay Safier	20
12	243	Adriana Ottman	18
13	28	Marvin Joachim	14
14	53	Shel Ohren	23
15	17	Morty Julius	18
17	192	Roz Ruhm	20
18	13	Marsha & Gary Forman	14
19	161	Jules Stern	14
20	133	Elaine & Al Bernstein	18
21	187	Sam Salmirs	18
22	118	Marv Lieman	14
24	203	David Levin	14
25	276	Sandy Fried	18
26	259	David Stein	20
27	66	Evie Maher	20
28	156	Bob & Diane Leifer	18
29	270	Sam Bradin	18
31	96	Roberta Goldstein	14

April Winners

DATE	#	NAME	\$
1	129	Edward Folb	14
2	161	Jules Stern	27
3	25	Neil Kaplicer	14
4	75	Joseph Moskovic	18
5	188	Red Avner	14
7	91	Seymour Gorelick	14
8	3	Audrey Meister	18
9	144	Randi Frankel	14
10	94	Roberta Goldstein	18
11	216	Marc Lieman	14
12	32	David Kwilecki	18
14	154	Barbara Weisel	14
15	100	Joyce Trubitz	18
16	189	Paul & Sandra Chaitin	18
17	121	Lewis Glantz	18
18	57	Sheldon Ohren	14
19	148	Myron & Barbara Block	18
22	275	Sandy Fried	18
23	186	Erica Salmirs	18
24	181	Melvin & Golde Math	14
25	58	Dale & Norton Smith	18
28	63	Michael Ryan Donath	14
29	261	Don Jr Rodrigues	23
30	19	Morty Julius	14



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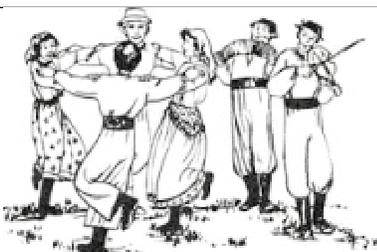
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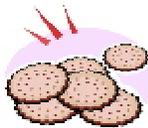


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Date	Event	Location	Time	Person Responsible
1	Forever Young Seniors	Multipurpose Room	11:00 am	Barbara Kleinman
1	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
1	Yom Hashoah			
2	Sisterhood Board Meeting	Multipurpose Room	7:30 pm	Audrey Meister
3	Services	Sanctuary	6:30 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
3	Anniversay Shabbot			
4	Services	Sanctuary	8:45 am	Rabbi Weinbach
	Kiddush Sponsored by The Bradin Family in honor of Sam's 90th Birthday			
6	Men's Club Meeting	Room 2	7:30 pm	Mark Pfeffer
7	Rabbi's Class	Room 2	7:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
7	Israeli Dancing	Multipurpose Room	8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
8	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
9	Sisterhood Program	Multipurpose Room	7:30 pm	Louisa Depaola
10	Services	Sanctuary	6:30 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
11	Services	Sanctuary	8:45 am	Rabbi Weinbach
	Bar Mitzvah Of Shuly Braver			
14	Rabbi's Class	Room 2	7:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
14	Israeli Dancing	Multipurpose Room	8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
15	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
17	Services	Sanctuary	6:30 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
17	Shabbot Dinner	Multipurpose Room	7:30 pm	Paulette Frankel
18	Services	Sanctuary	8:45 am	Rabbi Weinbach
21	Rabbi's Class	Room 2	7:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
21	Israeli Dancing	Multipurpose Room	8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
22	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
23	Board Of Trustees	Room 2	7:30 pm	Jack Perel
27	Private Room Rental	Multipurpose Room	6:00 pm	Rifki Zafir
28	Rabbi's Class	Room 2	7:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
28	Israeli Dancing	Multipurpose Room	8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
29	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
31	Services	Sanctuary	6:30 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
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