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President's Message

Wishing everyone a happy and a healthy Chanukah/New Year.

A refuah shelamah goes out to Carol Aronoff who is recovering from surgery. May she be up and around soon.

I would like to start out by hoping that everyone is doing well in these unusual times. Life as we know it has changed. Our activities have been curtailed and we spend a lot more time at home. Things that we enjoyed are currently not available. Hopefully things will get back to "normal" soon. With the announcement of a vaccine, hopefully it will be sometime next year.

As a reminder, there is the National Council of Young Israel raffle, which is available for the next couple of days. For each ticket we sell, we receive 50% of the sale. I do not expect to make a lot of money from the raffle, but everything helps. Thank You.

A reminder that the Rabbi has the Young Israel Café on Tuesday nights on Zoom and we have had some very interesting speakers over the last few weeks. Hope to see more of you there in the coming weeks.

The world has changed and will continue to change. Hopefully it will be a better place. We should all be able to return to synagogue in the near future.



Charles Miller, President



VIEW FROM THE BIMAH

BH

Coronavirus is no excuse

The pandemic has changed many things about the way we live our lives. Shopping is now done mostly on line, as we try to avoid in-person store visits, our social interactions have decreased dramatically, and a lot of our education is now happening virtually.

For many, this means doing less; fewer visits to the store, meeting with friends less often, and children, too, have experienced a decrease in the amount of time they spend studying.

Religious life has also been affected. We have witnessed decreased attendance at Shul for prayer services, and our in-person programming has shifted to being mostly virtual.

But these circumstances are no excuse to be complacent. On the contrary; we draw inspiration from the lights of the Menorah, where an additional candle gets added each night, that the Jewish way is to constantly increase. What was accomplished yesterday may have been satisfactory for yesterday, but for today it is not good enough. And then, we are called upon to add even more light, and to make tomorrow yet brighter than today.

We may just need to think outside the box and adjust the way we do certain things, but as Jews in general, during these perilous times in particular, and especially during this time of year, we must find ways to increase in our Yiddishkeit. This means adding to our Mitzvah commitments, starting with the primary obligation of *Ahavat Yisrael* – loving our

fellow as ourselves.

So as we kindle our lights this Chanukah, let's pay close attention to the Menorah's message, and together we will light up the world with an ever increasing flow of positivity. The forces of resistance will then be compelled to fade away, leading into the era where the A-mighty's glory will reign supreme, and the world will be saturated with goodness.

Wishing you and your families a healthy, bright, and happy Chanukah!



Rabbi Y. Goldenberg



As I See It...

By Aaron Sacharov

I felt compelled to publicly applaud the Rabbi for his efforts in providing a safe and, actually, inspirational way to pray during the High Holy Days.

G-d blessed us with good weather
 Adams Party Rental provided the tent
 There were masks and hand-sanitizer
 Chairs were placed 6+ feet apart
 The birds joined us in song

There were some alterations in the service...
 The Torah was not marched around
 No one kissed the Torah
 No Kiddush
 (although the generous Aronoffs provided separately-bagged
 snacks for break fast after Yom Kippur service)

During this crazy year, we have all had to make some alterations in our lives, and the way we do things...and it takes effort.

We may not be able to do things the way we used to before Covid,
 but at least we can still pray.

Thank you Rabbi.



....and

Shabbos services are continuing outside (weather permitting—the tent has been retired).

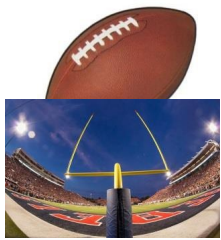


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*Minimum 270 tickets must be sold to win choice of Grand Prize.
If less than 270 tickets are sold, winner 'Splits the Pot' for cash prize only



Young Israel—Community Bulletin Board

YIOL offers a range of programs and services which enables opportunities for exploring Judaism in a non-judgmental way. Whether it be a prayer service, Torah class, or social gathering that you're seeking, you will be enthusiastically welcomed and celebrated, So come for a visit...and stay a while.

Adult Education Program

Please join us for our classes. All classes are conducted in English and are held at the Synagogue.

- **Tuesday evening class** -- Rabbi Goldenberg will be announcing a new series for his Tuesday night class.
- **Women's class** — Rebbetzin Goldenberg teaches a women's class on alternate Mondays at 7:30.

There is no charge for participation. For further information, call the synagogue at (609) 883-8833 any day from Saturday at nightfall through Friday early afternoon. If there is no reply, leave a message on the answering machine

Tzedakah Fund



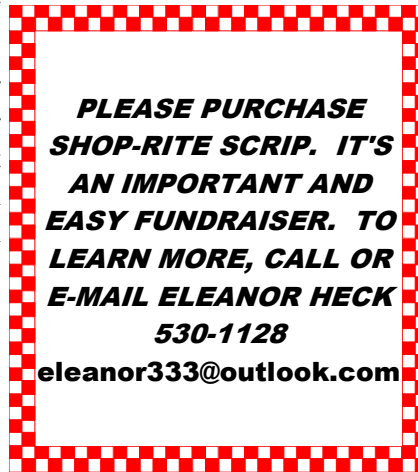
Our Shul has a Tzedakah fund to help those in special need of assistance. The fund is derived primarily from contributions collected from the "pushka" in Shul. If you know of such a person, please advise either Rabbi Goldenberg or Charles Miller.

Kiddushim

our thanks to those who have sponsored kiddushim. For a full list of recent kiddush sponsors, please refer to Donations and Good Tidings. To celebrate your special occasion with a kiddush, please e-mail Dina Goldenberg:

dinagoldenberg@aol.com

When paying your dues, please send your Kiddush assessment (\$100) in a separate check, payable to the Sisterhood.



The Memorial Board

The Memorial Board in the Synagogue is a special way to honor, in perpetuity, the memory of departed loved ones. Plaques are \$250 each and may be ordered by contacting the Synagogue.



Yahrzeit Advisory

It is very important that our Shul provide a minyan to enable members and others to observe a Yahrzeit anniversary. Whenever you need to observe a Yahrzeit, please contact one of our gabbaim several days in advance so we can ensure a minyan will be available. Please contact Charles Miller (530-1846).

Visiting the Sick



It is a religious duty (a *mitzvah*) to visit someone who is ill. If you become aware of someone who is unwell or infirm, please advise Rabbi Goldenberg or Charles Miller immediately so that the person may be contacted and visited at an appropriate and convenient time



Donations and Good Tidings

“May G-d bless those who dedicate synagogues for prayer and those who enter them to pray, those who provide light for them, wine for Kiddush and Havdalah, bread for guests and charity to the poor and all who are involved faithfully in the needs of the community.”

(from the Yekum Purkan prayer said every Shabbot at the end of the Shacharis service).

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After that, just remember to shop at smile.amazon.com, and all eligible purchases will generate a donation to Young Israel.

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SISTERS IN THE HOOD

Chanukkah is just around the corner. You still have time to find your menorah, candles/oil, decorations, and your favorite latke recipe. If you have young children or grandchildren, consider getting them a Chanukkah book. If they receive it on the first night, they can enjoy it for the rest of the week. The gift that keeps on giving.

Samuel/Shlomo and Matthew really liked POTATO PANCAKES ALL AROUND, HERSHEL AND THE CHANUKKAH GOBLINS.

Their favorite was the ANIMATED MENORAH.

As Dorothy from the WIZARD OF OZ said, "there's no place like home". I have to agree, after months in rehab first with a broken leg followed by a broken ankle, (I was home five days in between). As I do not want to fall again, I will not click my heels. Thank you all for cards, phone calls (which count as a visit), visits and prayers.

Nechama Dina has returned to giving her women's class on ZOOM every week. We just finished a unit on the 39 types of work that you cannot do on SHABBOS.

While I have not attended many Kosher Cafes, those that I have were interesting and informative. Mort Cohen has many wonderful speakers. Know anyone with an interesting job, hobby or who has taken a special vacation and would like to talk about it? Get Mort their contact info.

With his eyes on the future and better health times, Bill keeps booking cruises. The next one is November 2021. It is a two-week journey from New York to New Orleans with stops in different islands along the way. Bill is having fun and hopefully we will get to take one of these trips.

Sisterhood is still selling ShopRite gift cards as a fund raiser. As the cards have an ID number on them, you should be able to use them if you use the shop at home delivery service. Call Eleanor to order cards.

I would like to express sympathies to Tybie on the death of her godson, Scott. May you and all mourners be comforted in Zion.

I'm going to end the same way I started, with Chanukkah. May the flames of the menorah bring light and joy into your home.

Remember Chanukkah before Shabbos,
Havdallah before Chanukkah.



From my family to yours, Chag Simach,

Carol, for Sisterhood



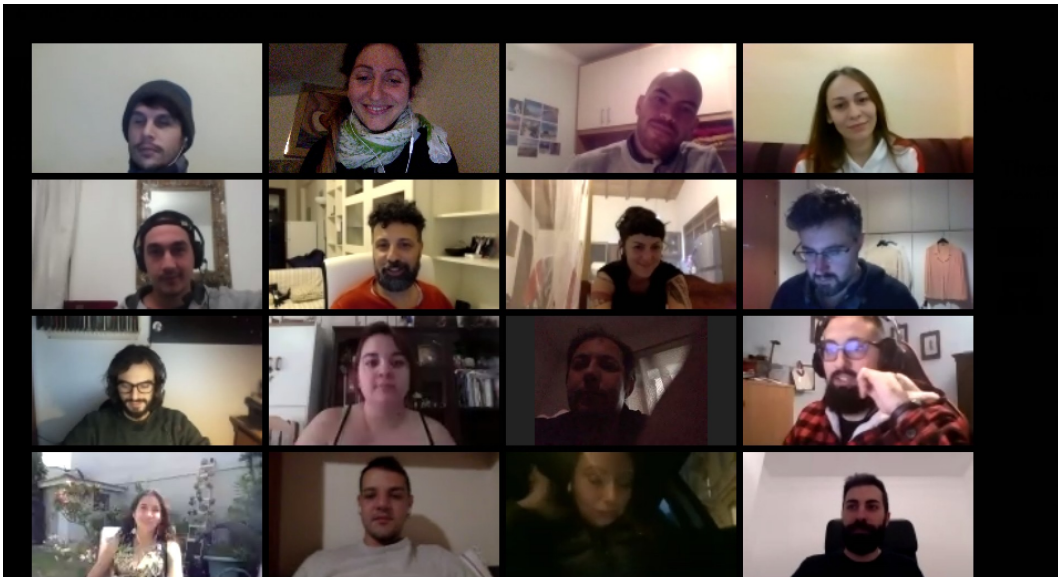
Hooray for the Café

Wondering how to fill that empty void you find in your pandemic social schedule? The solution is easy! Be sure to set a calendar reminder for 8 o'clock every Tuesday night to logon to the online Young Israel Café.

Zoom on in and enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow congregants and friends while being entertained by a wide variety of interesting guests.



You get to bring your favorite snack and beverage to enjoy while having the opportunity to help perpetuate our congregational friendships during these otherwise isolating times. Watch for the exciting lineup of guests planned for this fall. As always, suggestions for thought-provoking speakers are always welcome. Perhaps best of all is that the dress code is informal, and you can feel free to invite a friend from anywhere!



Come for "Café"



During COVID – making the best of it.
By Lynda Sacharov

After learning of the passing of Tybie Abrams' godson Scott from COVID, I called to express my sympathy.

Tybie expressed a common concern about how difficult life has become, and that she mostly stays at home and doesn't have guests. Her only companion is her sweet dog, Xena.

Tybie developed an enduring, years' long friendship with Freddie, who had brought Xena into her life. Freddie would periodically come over the house for a visit. Tybie would save old newspapers for her, as she recycles them. Tybie also makes Freddie a lunch of tuna fish – which Freddie really enjoys.

Now with COVID, what to do about the visits? What to do with all the tuna fish?

When Tybie told me her solution, I couldn't help but write about it. Talk about turning a bad situation into a better one....

Instead of meeting face-to-face, Tybie speaks to Freddie on the phone, places the newspapers outside her front door, and prepares a pretty plate of tuna fish, which Freddie enjoys once she gets home. Not sure if Freddie reads the paper too.

I hope one day in the not too distant future, Freddie and Tybie can sit together in the house, play with Xena...and maybe even have a little tuna fish.





Ask the Rabbi...

*Have a question for Rabbi Goldenberg?
Email it to LSach@msn.com.*

Your answer will appear in the next newsletter.



Dear Rabbi,

What determines if a person's Father or Mother's name is used when saying a misheberach, or during other instances when saying "son of" (ben) or "daughter of" (bas/bat)?

The Rabbi's answer....

When identifying someone, the father's name is used.

Before the invention of last names, this was the primary way of telling to which family someone belonged.

When praying for someone, the mother's name is used because she is the conduit by which the soul enters the body, illustrated in the fact that Jewishness passes through the matrilineal genes.

More on this topic can be found here:

<https://tinyurl.com/yy9ndtkp>



The “No-Hassle Kiddush Initiative”

The “Kiddush Initiative” is temporarily on hold until the threat of COVID has passed.

Dear Fellow Shul Goer,

I would like to present the community with an opportunity that could benefit its members: I’ll call it the “No-Hassle Kiddush Initiative”.

If you would like to sponsor a Kiddush but you can’t (or don’t want to!) deal with the headache of shopping, preparing, setting up, etc., no worries. I will do it for you. Yup, you read that correctly. I will prepare your entire Kiddush – all you need to do is show up! It’s that simple.

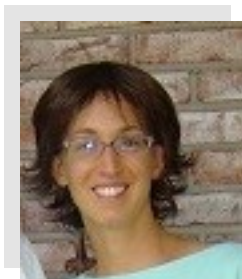
I will offer you choices of delicious homemade salads and baked goods, pretty platters, tasty deserts, and more. I will even include the paper goods J Below, you will find a list of options, as well as other information that you might need.

Note: this offer is my own personal initiative. It is in addition to, not in place of, what is currently being arranged by the YI sisterhood.

If you have any questions, you can contact me:

dinagoldenberg@aol.com

609-231-8609





From Dina's Kitchen

BASIC KIDDUSH - \$150

Salads (vegetable): Choice of 3

(Each additional salad \$7)

Eggplant – marinated

Eggplant – babaganoush

Taboule (quinoa)

Coleslaw

Potato

Carrot – cooked or grated

Tomato

Egg Salad

Olive dip

Chummus

Platters: Choice of 1

Fresh vegetable

Fresh fruit (seasonal)

Fish: Choice of 2

(Each additional \$10)

Gefilte fish with horseradish

Tuna (plain or scallion)

White fish salad (store bought)

Herring (store bought)

Nosh: One of each

(Each additional \$5)

Cookies – 2 types (rugelach, biscotti, chocolate chip, etc.)

Potato chips or Tortilla chips

Pretzels or other chips

Crackers – 2 types

Drinks: 2 seltzers and 1 juice (Soda upon request)

DELUXE KIDDUSH: \$225

Same as basic plus:

2 additional vegetable salads

Fish platter **OR** deli platter

Kugel – choice of potato, noodle or apple

Nuts or chocolate

Extras:

Cake for special occasion: \$50

*Price includes paper goods

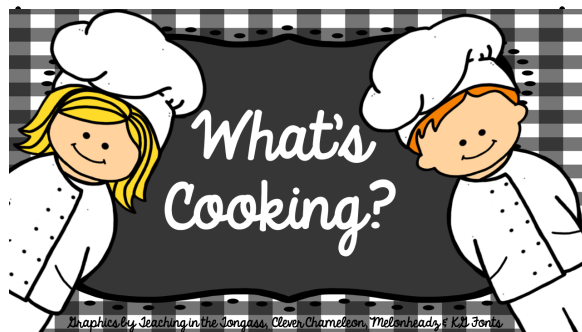
*Liquor provided by Kiddush sponsor

List is flexible. If you would like specific or select items, that can be arranged.

One week advance notice for all orders!

Orders must be pre-paid.

NOTE: If you are expecting a larger than usual crowd, please indicate approximately how many additional



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Emergency Preparedness Tip #4

Prepping For Severe Weather

The following was taken from an article in the Courier Times, June 11, 2020
PEMA Executive Director Jeff Thomas stated,

Here are a few of Director Thomas' recommendations for preparing for weather-related events:

- Ensure you have access to important weather-related information. A NOAA weather radio is an inexpensive and portable option that provides location-based weather alerts.
- Prepare an emergency kit containing at least a three-day supply of food and water, medications, a first-aid kit, and any specialized items—COVID-19 supplies like masks, hand sanitizers.
- In severe heat stay hydrated and wear light, loose-fitting clothing with light colors, a hat or visor, sunglasses and SPF 30 or higher sunscreen.

Be ready, set, safe!



Bereavement Services

King Solomon said, "There is a time for all under the heavens — a time to love, a time to journey, a time to plant, a time to reap, a time to rejoice and a time to mourn."

In a most loving and caring way and with the greatest sensitivity, Rabbi Goldenberg will make it his business to offer all the comfort, guidance and bereavement support needed. In addition, he will be glad to offer his assistance in preparation, officiating at the funeral, making Shiva services, arranging for the kaddish to be recited, etc.

For assistance, or for more information, please call: (609) 882-4330.



THIS SPACE HAS TRADITIONALLY LAID OUT LIGHTING AND SERVICE TIMES FOR SHABBOS AND YOM TOV. HOWEVER, THANKS TO THE CHABAD OF LAWRENCEVILLE CALENDAR THAT THE RABBI MAILS OUT ANNUALLY AND TO THE RABBI'S WEEKLY E-TORAH E-MAIL, WE HAVE DECIDED THAT IT MAY NO LONGER BE NECESSARY TO INCLUDE THE

INFORMATION IN THE NEWSLETTER. PLEASE NOTIFY RABBI GOLDENBERG IF YOU WISH TO RECEIVE THE CALENDAR OR BE ADDED TO THE MAILING LIST TO RECEIVE THE E-TORAH PLEASE FEEL FREE TO NOTIFY ELEANOR, LYNDA, OR THE RABBI IF YOU WOULD PREFER THAT THE NEWSLETTER ALSO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION.





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