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Temple Or Elohim serves the surrounding communities of Jericho, Syosset, the North Shore and beyond.

Save the Dates

Shalom, I hope everyone is recovering well from our fabulous holiday celebrations and back in the swing of things with school and life!

I want to let you know about two incredible services we will be having in the month of November that I would like you to put on your calendars for a "Save the Date."

The first special service will be held on **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 7:30 PM** with an amazing visiting musical group called **Gathering Time**. Here is a little publicity info on Gathering Time. **Start with the socially conscious spirit of Peter, Paul & Mary, add the harmonic complexity and rock energy of Crosby, Stills & Nash, throw in a bit of the Byrds and a jolt of Joni Mitchell and the result is Gathering Time. They are a head-turning harmony trio that WFUV's John Platt calls "among the top performers in the New York metropolitan area" and was voted one of "Long Island's Best" in a Long Island Press readers' poll.**



What, you may be asking yourself, is THIS group doing here, at our Temple, for Friday night Shabbat services?!!! Great question! Not only is Gathering Time everything you read above BUT they also combine their incredible voices and music and meld it into Shabbat services at various temples throughout Long Island!

This is something you truly do not want to miss. This will be a Shabbat service for every one of all ages. Before the Shabbat service, the Temple will be providing for your dining pleasure, a full Israeli buffet with shwarma, falafel, tahina and hummus, as well as assorted Israeli salads.

In addition, I will also have the honor of singing and leading the service that night with Gathering Time! It is going to be very very special.

The other "Save the Date" that I need you to put on your calendars is our **Interfaith Thanksgiving Shabbat Service** that will be held on **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 7:30 PM**. Our Temple is hosting Dr. Faroque Ahmad Khan from the Muslim Center of Long Island.



Dr. Khan is a founding member of the Islamic Center of Long Island (ICLI) in Westbury, NY, a center known for its innovative trend-setting programs and initiatives. One such initiative – American Muslims and Jews in Dialogue (AMJID) – received the 2004 Faith Fellowship Award. We will also be honored to have as a guest, Father Michael Callahan. Father Callahan is a well-known Long Island priest. He has served as a priest for more than 20 years from Long Beach to Hicksville.



Our service will consist of our regular Shabbat liturgy interfused with prayers and informative dialogue about the Muslim prayer service and Catholic faiths. I encourage all of you to attend with your entire family. This will be a celebration of life and unity right at the time of the year when we all celebrate Thanksgiving.

Please do your best to attend one or both of these services. We are always trying to bring innovative, informative, interesting and FUN programs and services to you - our families. But for them to be successful, we need you there!

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Cantor Katz

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Shawn and Scott will be happy to help you plan a memorable occasion for your family.

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We commemorate the lives of those we have loved and lost. It is also appropriate to commemorate events in the lives of those we love in the here-and-now. We'd like to announce special events in your lives. Please forward all such information to:

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A special way to celebrate your family's simcha is by sponsoring a Friday night oneg. Sponsorship is not only for Bar/Bat Mitzvah families. You can celebrate an anniversary, birthday, aufruf, bris, special birthday, graduation, becoming grandparents or anything else.

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To Order, call the Temple's Office at (516)433-9888 Ext.14.

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Bronze Yahrzeit plaques, to be mounted on the Memorial Tablet in the Sanctuary, are available by order.

These plaques are offered to memorialize the names of our departed loved ones.

Each year, upon the anniversary of their passing, as well as at the Yom Kippur Memorial Service, the light beside the name is kindled.

To Order, call the Temple's Office at (516)433-9888 Ext.14.

Services Schedule:

Mon.	Oct-1	or	8:00 AM
Tues.	Oct-2	Simchat Torah Service Featuring Nishama Consecration	7:00 PM
Fri.	Oct-5	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat.	Oct-6	Shabbat Shalom	
Fri.	Oct-12	Musical Erev Shabbat Service Featuring Nishama	7:30 PM
Sat.	Oct-13	Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah Tamryn Etes	10:00 AM
Fri.	Oct-19	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat.	Oct-20	Shabbat Service B'not Mitzvah Abby & Sydney Glenn	10:00 AM
Fri.	Oct-26	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat.	Oct-27	Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah Ava Albicocco	10:00 AM

Thoughts & Prayers:

We offer our prayers of healing and heartfelt thoughts to acknowledge those of us who have had an illness or are in need of healing (mind, body and soul).

Please do not hesitate to contact Cantor Katz or our Caring Committee with any requests that you may have.

Keep Handy for Reference:

(If there is a death or illness in the family)
CALL AND TELL US

Daytime – Temple Office (516)433-9888
Otherwise - Cantor Katz at (516)849-1332

Consultations with the clergy before final scheduling of services will help ensure availability.

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- Shiva services at a home for up to 3 evenings.
- E-mail notice sent to membership informing of the loss, if requested.
- Whenever Kaddish is said during services:
 - Temple Members' names read for 11 months.
 - Close relatives of Members' names read for 30 days.

From the Cantor:



Well, the holidays have once again swept us up and moved us into a new year. I hope everyone had a moving High Holiday experience and spent time with family and friends celebrating together. I would like to thank everyone who helped make these holidays as special as ever. From our Ritual Committee to our fabulous office staff to our custodial staff, our ticket takers at the door, our endless army of volunteers, our never ending positive inspiration and example- President Michael Wilner, Lenny Gershitz our amazing Gabbai, our remarkable Torah, Haftorah readers and those who read the blessings, our choir and Ed our organist. The list of people who make our holidays so special goes on and on! I cannot thank you all enough for your help and dedication to Temple... And of course, an extra special thanks to Rabbi Abramowitz for helping out as Emeritus co-leading with me. It was a joy to see and hear you this holiday!

The High Holidays are not actually "over." We are now supposed to incorporate their meaning in our lives. We are told by the Sages that now the real work begins. We get so inspired and focused during the holiday season. But now it is time to take the action needed to keep up the cleansing of ourselves.

Our Sages knew that life goes on after the holidays and that the tendency would be for us to fall right back into our old habits. We use the High Holidays to look at our inner selves. We then need to take regular action and keep aware of the things that creep back into our behaviors that get in the way of us being the best we can be. There are many ways to do this on a personal level and many of us have our own plans and ways that we do this.

However, we also have our great tradition to lean on. One of the easiest and effective things you can do is begin to try and make it to a Shabbat service on a Friday night. This will keep you "closer to home" in that you will be reminded of what is available to you from your Temple and the community at large. It will also allow you to connect with others and "be of service" if need be, for those in your community. By taking this small action for yourself and your family, you can greatly increase your happiness and keep yourself in touch with what you felt on the holidays.

We are also told that it is customary to try and eliminate just one defect of character that you found was glaring at you during the holidays as you reflected on yourself. Take a hard look at this character trait and do your best to come to terms with it. No judgement, just reconciliation. Let yourself experience the joy of removing something that stops you from being the best you can be.

In addition, and most importantly, we are asked that we begin to learn how to forgive ourselves. This is so very crucial to our healthy state of mind and overall happiness. There is a built-in message in our liturgy. Even with all the lists of sins and messages of not living up to the standards of our great matriarchs and patriarchs, we can still try. We are to approach their ideals by forgiving ourselves for not being as great as they were. We need to understand that if we truly are doing the best we can to develop and grow, we will be given the gift of seeing ourselves in a different light. This is one that is less harsh and more loving.

We have many opportunities to become the best we can be and the High Holidays are only the beginning. Let's keep the energy going and make it the best year ever!

B'shalom,

Cantor David Katz

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Make friends, experience camaraderie and connect to your spiritual self while learning new renditions of songs to perform during services.

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President's Message:

Whew, the holidays are over and glad to be back to October normal. Just a quick recap of September. Our Slichot Service on Saturday night 9/1 was a rousing success. Cantor Katz led us with inspirational new songs and a thought provoking D'Var Torah teaching us the laws that were set forth by God as we go to war to conquer and take hold of our promised land of milk and honey. We, as a Jewish nation, are finally free and our future is finally under our control.



Our FIRST Friday night EREV SHABBAT on 9/7 was the start of our Bar Mitzvah season as Eric Finkelstein took control of the Pulpit to officiate his rite of passage as a Bar Mitzvah. Calm & poise ruled the morning as Eric navigated the service, the Torah reading and his D'var Torah with mature excellence. Very impressive and just the kvelling we all want to see. It was also the first musical Shabbat of the year and Nishamah was NOT TOO SHABBY.

Our first week in September was filled with meetings galore getting ready for the Rosh Hashanna and Yom Kippur holidays. HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES ran smoothly with Holiday honors ranging from Aliyah's, Torah blessers, Torah carriers, Torah readers, Ark openings, Shofar blowers, undressing and dressing the Torah and Hagbah. All went off seamlessly with sanctuary perfection. Thank you Len Gerschitz, our "EMPEROR OF SHOFAR BLOWING," for your keen Gabai eyes searching out with PREDATOR PRECISION the next likely honoree should someone not show up. That's a talent.

This was the FIRST Rosh Hashanna that I remember such rainy weather but the sanctuary was twice filled anyway. Tashlich, even though cancelled because of a downpour, had 18 congregants show up to throw their sins away. That's an easy pass to heaven for sure.

Religious School's Meet the Teacher Night kept Deborah and everyone busy on Thursday night 9/13 shmoozing with parents as the choir practiced for the following week's Yom Kippur services starting with Kol Nidre, Tuesday night 9/18. Religious School opened on 9/17 that led us into Yom Kippur as services were beautiful with Rabbi Harvey and Cantor David leading us to the path of forgiveness. The Sukkah building and decorations got Or Elohim ready for 9/23 Sunday evening's 4th Grade Pizza in the Hut with a prayer book ceremony at 6:30 pm led by Cantor Katz & Deborah Tract, followed by a full week of Pizza in the Hut on Tuesday 9/25 and again on Thursday 9/27.

Thank you Laurel Fried for orchestrating our annual "Shabbat Under the Stars." Families, children and congregants packed our parking lot with 200+ strong as Nishamah lit the biblical fire for Or Elohim Congregants with an Erev Shabbat musical service that set our whole community aflame in prayers. Rounding out our month was Mitzvah Day that very Sunday morning on 9/30. Once again, we wish everyone a Healthy and Happy New Year 5779.

Our OR ELOHIM engine is revved and running ready for another year 5779/2018... Can I get an Amen?

Michael Wilner, President
michaelwilner@danielgale.com



SAVE THE DATE

Shopper's Night
Thursday, November 29th
5:00-10:00 PM

Look for more information in your email.

Religious School:

Shalom Friends!



As you read this article, the holidays of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur and Sukkot have passed. I am thrilled that I saw so many of our Religious School children at services this year. I am also very proud of all our young Torah readers. It is an honor to read from the Torah and all our post Bat/Bar Mitzvah kids did a phenomenal job! I hope to see more of our young adults participate in the years to come. A huge kudo to our youngest Shofar blower, Dylan Fried, who once again did an outstanding job of blowing the Shofar for all of Jericho to hear through our stained glass windows!

On Monday evening, October 02, 2018, we will celebrate Simchat Torah, the holiday that celebrates the conclusion of all the Torah readings and marks the beginning of the new cycle. On the same evening, we will have the ceremony of Consecration, which celebrates the start of a child's Jewish learning. Our students will be honored and blessed. Parents, please be sure to notify the office if this is your child's first introduction to Jewish education. Our first few days of opening Religious School were filled with warmth, fun and lots of enthusiasm. I enjoyed welcoming back all our students and meeting all our new children! Songs filled our sanctuary with the help of our music teacher Cantor Judy Merrick. Our students enjoyed their special treat, with a visit from the "ice-cream man", our own terrific Greg, who pulled up with his food truck and provided an array of ice-cream choices for our kids. A sweet beginning for the New Year!

Teens, if you looking for community service hours, please contact me ASAP. We have hired more teaches and are in need of Teacher Assistants. Also, beginning this month, we will have our monthly Teen Hebrew High School program. If your child has not yet registered for this fun, informal and social program please consider doing so today! This is a great way for teens to remain involved in our temple post B'nai Mitzvah. Teen involvement is vital for Jewish continuity.

I look forward to a wonderful year with all of our families. Again, my heartfelt wishes for a Happy, Healthy, Sweet New Year!

B'Shalom,
Deborah E. Tract, Director of Education
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ITEM OF THE MONTH in the SISTERHOOD SHOWCASE

Please stop by our showcase and check out the item of the month:

SHEMA OR JEWELRY!

For questions contact:
Susan Bloomberg: 932-7112
or the
Temple's Office: 433-9888 Ext. 14

Sisterhood Update:

We hope you all are having a great start to the New Year 5779! Sisterhood is up and running with many new ideas and thoughts that are listed below. However, we still need you. We need you to participate in events, help run events and fundraisers and simply come to meetings. Sisterhood is not a “fuddy duddy” organization but an organization that is an extension of our beloved Temple Or Elohim. Our mission statement is as follows: The purpose of this organization shall be to act as an auxiliary to Temple Or Elohim, to support the spirituality of women, to work for the betterment of the Temple, to further the highest ideals of its members, to promote closer fellowship among its members, to be a fund-raising arm of the Temple and have educational and informational programs that are enlightening and enjoyable. So you see it has less to do with the religious aspect... we leave that up to the clergy!

With that said: We hope you enjoyed a few of the sweets during Rosh Hashanah compliments of Sisterhood. Many of you might recall from years ago that we used to package and hand out nuts and raisins but with the rise in peanut allergies we were sensitive to those with such allergies and changed it to sweets for the sweet new year.

Community Service Collections: Towels, blankets, sheets, etc. will be collected and given to the local animal shelter. Toiletries will be collected and distributed as needed to Mommas House or through Social Action. Eye glasses of all kinds will be collected for the New Eyes for the Needy Program. Please drop off at the temple.

Shopper's Night: This was changed from daytime to an evening on Thursday, November 29 from 5 pm until 10 pm. Cash bar and music. Changing it up a little!

We had a discussion on having canasta lessons which evolved into including Mah Jongg lessons. Please look for upcoming flyers with details. Sheila Zimmerman offered to teach Mah Jongg. Looking for a canasta teacher.

Book Club: Francine Miller will run the club and choose the first book. Watch for more details.

Escape Room: This promises to be a HUGE hit with people of all ages. We are securing a date for the winter time. Look for more details in future correspondence.

Off Broadway Show: The Other Josh Cohen. This was discussed with Men's Club and the date will most likely be in November. I know this newsletter sounds a little wishy washy, but these ideas were brought up which were followed by the high holidays so planning was in infancy stages at the time this article was due.

Please “like” Temple Or Elohim on Facebook to stay in touch with all that will be happening around here! In the meantime, carve out some time for you and join us for any or all of our events, meetings and happenings. Cheers!

Robin Grossman
Acting President of Sisterhood
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Men's Club:

L'Shana Tovah, everyone! May each and every one of us have a healthy, prosperous, safe and joyous year!

One of my favorite words in the English language is languid. Although the dictionary defines it as weak, to me it perfectly describes my ideal summer day – relaxed, laid back, just loping along at an unhurried pace. It makes me think of pools and barbeques and chaises parked on verdant expanses of lawn, while the cicadas clacked away their little symphony. As it always does, the languidness of summer yields to the colorful entry of Autumn, resplendent in reds and rusts and golds. This Autumn marks a huge change in my life. My son, Max, whom many of you know, is now off to college. Yet another season is changing. The Spring of his life is now becoming his Summer. No longer is he a little boy. He is now a young man embarking on the newest chapter of his story. I'll miss having him around. I'll miss his goofiness and his warmth and his sweet nature every day.

The change of seasons also begs the question on everyone's mind, "What's new with Men's Club"? Since you asked, I will tell you. September has been a very busy month for Men's Club. By the time you read this, our giant Sukkah has been erected, another New Year has been ushered in and we're getting ready for some great events this month:

First up, **Sunday, October 14**, is the Autism Speaks Walk at Jones Beach. Men's Club will be fielding a team to do the walk and **everyone** is invited to walk with us. It's a great cause and it will be a fun day. If you can't walk, please come out to support us and donate as much as you can.

Next, we have Comedy Night on Saturday evening, **October 20th, 7:00 PM**. This will be a somewhat different Comedy Night. As well as having a lineup of truly funny comedians, we will also be featuring Doo Wop from The Traditions. An Italian Buffet from Frank's Gourmet will be served. Tickets are \$55 in advance, \$60 at the door. RSVP by October 16 to either Phil, 382-3337, Neil 659-0352 or the temple office, 433-9888 ext. 14.

So, friends, that's all I have for now. Please join us for these great events. Also, as usual, please be kind to one another, be kind to animals and just be happy.

All The Best,
Mark



Larry's Tidbits:

For the very first time ever, Mexico City, the largest city in North America, recently elected a 55 year old Jewish woman as its Mayor. Her name is Claudia Sheinbaum Pardo. She is the granddaughter of Jewish immigrants from Lithuania and Bulgaria. She is a scientist with doctorates in engineering and physics. Mexico City is home to over 50,000 Jews.

Here is a recent quote from Supreme Court Judge Ruth Bader Ginsberg – "I am a judge born, raised and proud of being a Jew. The demand for justice, for peace and for enlightenment runs through the entirety of Jewish history and Jewish tradition." She was appointed to the United States Supreme Court in 1993.

Earlier this year, Rabbi Gayle Pomerantz was promoted to Senior Rabbi at the 75 year old Temple Beth Shalom in Miami Beach, Florida. She has served at that Temple since 1994. She will be its first female Head Rabbi. She was honored by the City of Miami as "A woman to know" and was named "A Woman Of Valor" by the National Council of Jewish Women.

Our High Holidays have passed. It is a time when we are enjoined to look deeply into who we are, what we value and what we want to accomplish. It is a time of introspection from which we should emerge newly recommitted to being a better person.

Congratulations to our Bat Mitzvah Candidates and their families:

October 13, 2018

Tamryn Etes - Daughter of Melanie and Jeffrey Etes

October 20, 2018

Abigail and Sydney Glenn - Daughters of Meredith and Ilan Glenn

October 27, 2018

Ava Albicocco - Daughter of Robin and Mark Albicocco



Congratulations on Your Simchah:

Congratulations to:

Goldie Brandl on the marriage of her son, Charles Brandl to Elizabeth Fassl.

Toby Suroff on the birth of her grandson, Maverick Dean Suroff.

Amy and Paul Adler on the birth of their grandson, Charlie Ryan Adler.

Sue and Lenny Zichlin on the birth of their granddaughter, Everly Zichlin.



We Extend Our Sympathy to:

Amy and Paul Adler for the passing of Amy's sister-in-law Nancy Stone.



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Baskets on the Bimah Program:

A great way to honor a simcha is by sponsoring a basket on the bimah. Proceeds go to assist local needy families.



Any congregant can have a basket displayed on the bimah for a non-Bar/Bat Mitzvah Shabbat by bringing a minimum of \$36 to the Temple Office, at least one week in advance.

A great way to honor any simcha you are celebrating!

Contact the Temple Office at (516)433-9888 Ext. 14.

October Birthdays

1 Beth Gerome	11 Sarah Sobel	21 Rayna Katz
1 Abigail Glenn	11 Bryan Wachs	22 Scott Edelman
1 Sydney Glenn	12 Neil Gallow	22 Scott Wolfson
1 Danielle Kaplan	13 Abbey Alper	24 Edward Cohen
1 Lauren Oliver	13 Lori Ballen	24 Scott Neil Singer
1 Matthew Osnowitz	11 Hayden Fried	25 Ronald Finkelstein
3 Amy Katz	13 Samuel Kass	25 Jake Krauss
3 Bari Kaye	14 Lisa Kleinman	26 Sherri Rosenthal
3 Clifford Maldow	14 Howard Pastolov	26 Cara Seigel
4 Randi Ross	15 Jonathan Lonshein	26 David Vermut
5 Cathy Allen	16 Laura Miller	27 Andrew Finkelstein
5 Samuel Goodman	17 Andrew Jacobs	28 Neil Miller
5 Matthew Singer	17 Hanna Katz	28 Edward Misorek
7 Adam Reisman	17 Stephanie Milstein	28 Brian Sigler
8 Drew Sigler	18 Ellis Kass	30 Mark Heller
9 Adam Scott Levy	19 Cyndi Pressman	30 Barbara Katz
9 Gary Cohn	20 Kimberly Brecher	30 Alex Myrah
9 Daniel Damast	20 Ryan Hudzik	30 Joshua Rubin
9 Marc Lomansky	20 Melanie Portnoy	31 Steven Finkelstein
10 Harold Herling	20 Jeffrey Spivak	31 Jack Goodkin
10 Thomas Lecher	20 Brooke Wachs	
11 Brooke Dreyfus	20 Edward Wactler	
11 Ryder Kazerman	21 Jill Citron	



Torah Notes:

October 6, Bereshit: Gen. 1:1-6:8

The narrative of creation, including Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, the tree of knowledge of good and evil and the forbidden fruit. Cain murders Abel, thus initiating the corruption of mankind and leading to the disastrous flood in Noah's time.

October 13, Noach: Genesis 6:9 – 11:32

Mankind had become corrupt, forgetting that they were created in the image of God and failed to live decent, ethical and peaceful lives. The portion recounts the stories of Noah and the Ark, the Great Flood, God's promise, through the symbol of the rainbow, never again to deluge mankind and cause such mass destruction and the story of the Tower of Babel.

October 20, Lech Lecha: Genesis 12:17 – 17:27

The life and experiences of Abraham, Judaism's remarkable pioneer, are told here. The establishment of the faith in One God and God's covenant with Abraham that the land of Canaan shall be the land of the Hebrews. Unable to have children with his wife Sarah, Abraham takes Hagar to himself as wife and has a son, Ishmael.

October 27, Vayera: Genesis 18:1 – 22:24

Abraham & Sarah are promised a child in their old age.

God announces his intention to destroy Sodom & Gomorrah and Abraham debates with God in an effort to save the good people there. Lot is saved, but his wife is turned into a pillar of salt. The seduction of Lot, Avimelech's attempted seduction of Sarah, the birth of Isaac, the expulsion of Hagar and her son Ishmael are all recounted in this portion.



October Anniversaries

- 5 Mark & Robin Albicocco
- 12 Alan & Susan Geller
- 14 Jim & Lana Math
- 16 Joseph & Barbara Synnott
- 18 Mark & Leslie Rosner
- 22 Ian & Laura Reddock
- 25 Harold & Magda Herling
- 25 Mitchell & Lauren Rosenblatt
- 27 Mark & Lori Bricker
- 29 Stewart & Jeanette Aronowitz
- 29 Marc & Lara Scher
- 30 Lawrence & Sandra Simon

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The Six Synagogues That I Visited in Europe

Here, we call them Temples. In Europe they are always called Synagogues. Some of them are hundreds of years old and restored to their original state. The following Synagogues in Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Tallin, Stockholm, Berlin and St. Petersburg are works of architectural beauty.

This past summer I had the pleasure of designing and escorting tours for 44 people to each of these Synagogues.

There is a bond that exists between Jewish people from all countries. We were so warmly welcomed by the members of these Synagogues. We were greeted with open arms into their Houses of worship.

Did you know that most of the Synagogues in Eastern Europe and Scandinavia were restored by Ronald Lauder, the son of Estee Lauder.

Amsterdam, Holland

The Portuguese Synagogue, also known as the Esnoga is a late 17th-Century Sephardic synagogue in Amsterdam that was completed in 1675. Esnoga is the word for synagogue in Ladino, the traditional Judeo- Spanish language of the Sephardic Jews.

The Portuguese Synagogue in Amsterdam is unique. It has been used as a concert hall many times and can be seen on Channel 13 when they perform the Cantor's Concert there. The Synagogue is not heated and is lit up only by the most beautiful candlelit chandeliers.

The Amsterdam Sephardic community was one of the largest and richest Jewish communities in Europe during the Dutch Golden Age. Their very large synagogue reflected this. The Synagogue was built over 300 years ago.

St. Petersburg, Russia

The Grand Choral Synagogue was built between 1880 and 1888. The architecture is of Moorish design and is still being used today. A lot of the synagogues in Europe are designed in pastel colors, mostly pinks and light blues. This Synagogue has perfect sound and is used today for prayer as well as a Concert Hall.

Berlin, Germany

Rykestrasse Synagogue, Germany's largest Synagogue was built in 1903/1904. It is in the Ronanesque Revival architectural style and seats 1,200 people. It is the largest Synagogue in Germany. It was one of the few Jewish religious buildings that survived the Kristallnacht of 1938 and World War II.

Copenhagen, Denmark

There may not be many Jews living in the Danish capital today but the local community is world-famous for the exceptional protection it received from its government and their compatriots during World War II. The Synagogue was completed in 1833. There are approximately 2,500 Jews still living in Copenhagen. The architect was German. The Synagogue has been restored at a cost of \$3.7 million dollars.

The Danes celebrated the operation that ultimately saved nearly all of the Country's Jew's from the death at the hands of the Nazis. While the German Occupation forces were preparing to deport more than 7,000 Jews to death camps beginning at 10 P.M. on Oct. 1, 1943, Danes shepherded all but a few hundred to the east coast of the island of Zealand, where they boarded small boats that ferried them to neutral Sweden in hundreds of crossings over a period of a few days. The Torah Scrolls were hidden in the nearby Church and all of them were saved.

Tallinn, Estonia

Talinn Synagogue, also known as Beit Bella Synagogue was inaugurated in May 2007. Consecrated in 1885, the historical Synagogue building was destroyed during World War II. Now it has a modern design and is one of the most unusual buildings in Tallinn. It also houses a Jewish School, Jewish Community Center and a Museum. It seats 65 women in the balcony and

105 men. During the era when the synagogue was located in the Soviet Union religious life was prohibited. Now the Jewish Community is flourishing.

Stockholm, Sweden

The Great Synagogue of Stockholm was built in 1867-1870. The Synagogue seats 900 people. It is of Moorish architecture and is still used today.

In the 40 years that I've been traveling and designing tours, I have visited Synagogues in Romania, Prague, Budapest, Paris, Italy, England, Greece, Ireland and even attended the services of a Synagogue that my cousin helped to build in Hong Kong. I found a very important link, the bond of "pride" of being Jewish. Being welcomed wherever I went, whether speaking Yiddish because that was the common language we both knew, we were proud of being Jewish.



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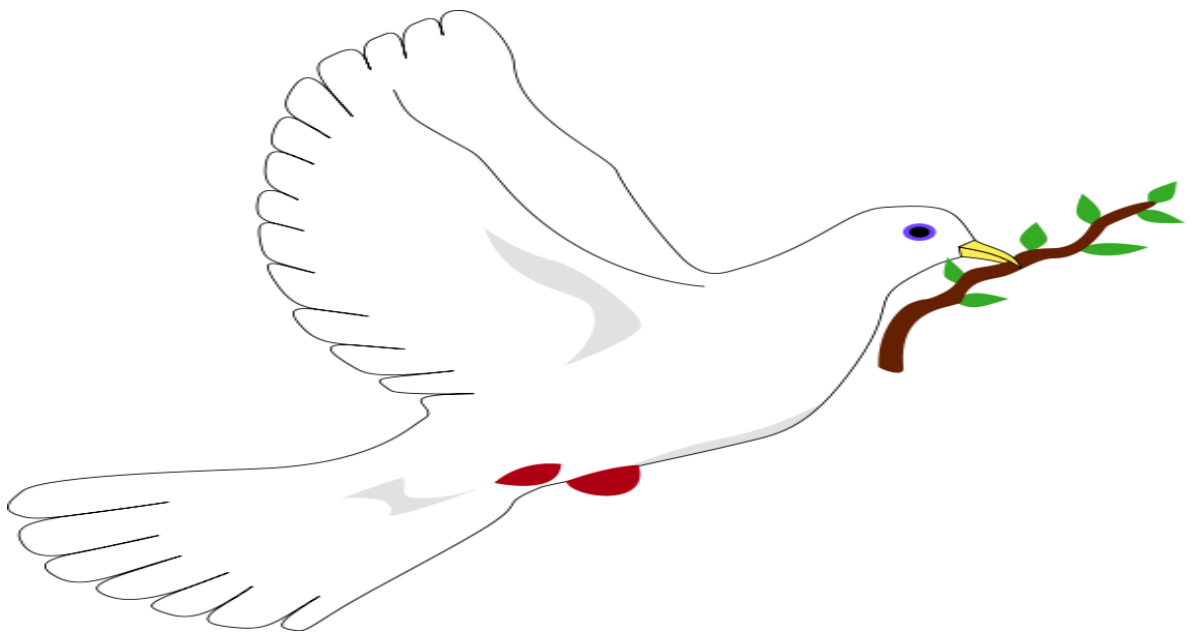
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7	8 Columbus Day No School	9 Ritual Committee Meeting 8:00 PM	10	11	12 Erev Shabbat Service featuring NISHAMAH 7:30 PM	13 Shabbat Service 10:00 AM Bat Mitzvah Tamryn Etes
14	15	16	17 Executive Committee Meeting 8:00 PM	18	19 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM	20 Shabbat Service 10:00 AM B'not Mitzvah Abby & Sydney Glenn Men's Club Comedy & Doo Wopp Night 7:00 PM
21 Roundtable Rap 10:30 AM	22 7 th Grade Religious School Program- 4:30 - 7:00 PM Rabbi Salkin - Putting God on the Guest List	23 Board of Trustees Meeting 8:00 PM	24	25	26 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM	27 Shabbat Service 10:00 AM Bat Mitzvah Ava Albicocco
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