

Thanksgiving Interfaith Service

Words of love, comfort, prayer and support rang throughout the sanctuary at Temple Or Elohim of Jericho, New York on Friday, November 23, 2018. All who attended the Interfaith Service led by Cantor David Katz experienced an awe inspiring and uplifting musical service featuring the Temple's band Nishamah, as well as three guest clergy of different faiths. Over 150 people of Jewish, Protestant, Catholic and Muslim backgrounds were led in prayer by Dr. Faroque Khan, Chair of the Islamic Center's Interfaith Institute of Long Island of Nassau County; Reverend Dwight Lee Wolter of the Congregational Church of Patchogue and Father Michael Callahan.

The evening started with Cantor Katz welcoming everyone to the Shabbat Service and explaining that the evening would be an intertwining of religions. Everyone in attendance realized how we are alike in our prayers. Once we all united in prayer it was easy to see the similarities and differences in our services. In this time of domestic terrorism and hate this couldn't have been more appropriate to show the world outside and inside how much we are alike.

Dr. Khan recited spiritual readings at the beginning of the service after reminding us of how his center was the first of many to hold a vigil just two days after the Massacre in Pittsburgh. At the Vigil, there were over 350 people speaking of "ideologies of hate and anti-Semitism that must be challenged and rooted out with a proper presentation of true teachings of our shared religious values, the ones that are children of Abraham."

Three members of the Congregational Church of Patchogue sang the Song "Grateful" about belief and goodness. After they were done singing, Cantor Katz and Michael Wilner, our Temple's President and Nishamah drummer joked when they asked if the Church singers wanted to join the Temple Or Elohim Choir.

Throughout the service the prayers of Jewish text were intertwined with prayer and hymns from the other faiths. Cantor Katz and the other clergy explained the meanings and relevance of the different texts and how they related to other religions. During one occasion, Reverend Wolter recited a Negro Sermon about the creation called "That's Good...I'm Lonely Still." Father Callahan spoke about Love and Kindness being above all.

Reverend Wolter read:

There is a statement being made even now, a month after the shooting at The Tree of Life Synagogue. We are still one, we are one people different colors, shape, sizes and religious practices, with separate lives but we all believe in one God do not try to blow us apart. We are all here for one reason only - PEACE. We are united in the fight for peace. Unity-not to hold grudges, not to withhold love as boundless as the sea, the more that is given, the more that is bountiful everywhere."

This event of religious communities gathering together must continue. We must not let this stop after just one evening. We must keep the friendship and communal feeling going. Let us work together to fight anti-racism and anti-Semitism. This is something we must strive for as a family of people whether we are white, pink or purple.

JOIN US

Please join us on **December 13-15, January 10-12 and January 24-26** as candidates for our Rabbinic position visit us for interactive weekends. During these visits, each Rabbi will teach a lesson to our school children, lead a Friday evening service along with Cantor Katz, conduct a Torah study session and meet with our professional staff, Board of Trustees, and Search Committee.

All congregants will have the opportunity to observe and speak with these Rabbis during their visits. Congregants **who attend** will be asked to fill out a questionnaire for each candidate that the committee will use in its further evaluations.

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Editorial Corner:

We encourage our members to submit articles, photos, and simchas for us to include in future issues. We also welcome suggestions for future issues. Please contact Esther Reich at: (917)922-4993 or Shofar@templeorelohim.com.

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Please call Deena Yaris at (516)433-0771.**Information Requested:**

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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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:

Sat.	Dec 1	Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah Leah Kaufer	10:00 AM
Fri.	Dec 7	New Member Shabbat Erev Shabbat Service Hanukkah Featuring Nishamah	7:30 PM
Sat.	Dec 8	Shabbat Shalom	
Fri.	Dec 14	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat.	Dec 15	Shabbat Shalom	
Fri.	Dec 21	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat.	Dec 22	Shabbat Shalom	
Fri.	Dec 28	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat.	Dec 29	Shabbat Shalom	

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)

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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:

I hope everyone has had a chance to have a loving and fulfilling Thanksgiving this year. We can surely be grateful for every minute spent with family and friends at a time when our country is facing such challenges.

The last few months have been a very challenging time for the Jewish people. We have become witness to what is now being called the worst attack on the Jewish People in the United States, ever. We never could have imagined that, as a people living in what is undoubtedly the safest country in the world for Jews that we would now have to worry about the safety of our families just because we are Jewish.

I sent out a message last month regarding my feelings and our responsibility to the act of terrorism that was inflicted on innocent lives in Pennsylvania.

The core of my message was that we cannot allow these types of people to continue doing this to ANYONE. I encouraged all of our congregants and families to do even more at temple. To come to services and show up at events to show that we are not going to cower and be afraid.

I can proudly say that you all, congregants and families of Or Elohim did just that. We had incredibly beautiful B'nei Mitzvahs all month long. We had incredible Shabbat services like the one where we hosted the amazing group Gathering Time. This was a packed sanctuary with barely a seat not filled. In addition we honored those whose lives were taken, by remembering Kristalnacht. This service saw the sanctuary filled as well.

On December 7th, we will have our once a year Hanukkah Shabbat. Our band Nishamah will be playing and I hope all of you come out to continue to keep the spirit and strength of Judah Maccabee alive and strong. Judah Maccabee did not back down from the Greek army. He fought and kept the Jewish people alive. If it were not for Judah, we would not be here today. Let us all use this wonderful example of our past personalities and leaders to continue the fight for what we believe in and who we are. I wish you all a happy and healthy Hanukkah.

B'shalom,
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President's Message:

Happy Hanukkah, happy vacation, happy New Year to all our congregants and Temple families. It's that holiday time of the year again. Wow how the year flew by.



Just a quick recap of November. I hope all of you had a chance to participate as "Gathering Time" helped lead our services as we memorialized the tragedy of Jewish destruction and death in Squirrel Hill, Pa. The sanctuary was filled as Cantor Katz inspired and consoled us with prayer and musical liturgy.

Our Interfaith Musical Service at the end of November was a unique and spiritually uplifting experience as all faiths joined in prayer for unity and solidarity as Nishamah brought it all home.

Sip and Shop was a ladies' night success. Our social hall was filled with vendors and shoppers, casually enjoying some libations at the cash bar as everyone raked in great deals for holidays and Hanukkah. Thank you Susan Bloomberg for making it look so easy, great job to you and your crew.

November was loaded with B'nei Mitzvah families kvelling and shepping nachas like I've never seen before. These B'nei Mitzvah candidates were ALL amazing as I watched them lead the services, chant the Torah and Haftarah, then inspire us with a D'var Torah with calm and sophistication beyond their 13 years. WOW and Yasher Koach to Cantor Katz, Deborah Tract and Bob Nichomoff, quite impressive.

We will have an amazing Hanukkah Shabbat Service featuring Nishamah on 12/7. On 12/9, Deborah will once again outdo herself with a revamped Hanukkah event cosponsored with Crestwood Country Day Camp. It will be another great Hanukkah day packed with children and fun all day as we thank God at this time of the year for all that is good in our lives. Very nice DT.

Last but not least and most importantly I'd like to update the Congregation as to the progress of our Rabbi search. Our first ad was released October 1, 2018. The Search Committee consists of 17 of the most revered and dedicated temple members, BOT, Exec, past Presidents and VPs, who have diligently been interviewing potential rabbinical candidates for our beloved Or Elohim. Good news is we have struck some rabbinic gold and have invited several rabbis to come for the weekend to lead us in a Friday night erev Shabbat service and spend the weekend being interviewed by us.

*** This is your Temple. Please make every effort to be there to see these rabbinical candidates in person. There is nothing better than LIVE.

*** WATCH FOR THE BLASTS & SAVE THE DATES.

From my family to yours – wishing you a Healthy Happy & Prosperous New Year...can I get an ...AMEN...it couldn't hurt.

Respectfully,
Michael Wilner, President
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Religious School:

Shalom Friends!



This week begins the Festival of Lights. As we light our Menorahs each night beginning December 2 until December 10, 2018, we recall the great miracle of Hanukkah –“Dedication” that is symbolic of the one vial of oil that was supposed to last for only one day but for continued for 8 days.

Throughout the week of Hanukkah, we will celebrate the holiday with the help of Musical IQ. Drums, rhythm, story and song will explain the great miracle of lights and why we celebrate this holiday.

I am super excited about our annual COMMUNITY-WIDE Hanukkah party that will take place on December 9, 2018 from 11:00-2:00pm. We are partnering this year with Crestwood Country Day Camp. The camp is generously sponsoring an afternoon of fun with multiple activities, games, crafts and more. Save your appetites for the huge Donut Hole and treats! Remember, jelly donuts are the signature donut for this holiday but we will have a variety!

Another exciting program that we are launching between the Familyhood and Religious School is “Havdalah is coming to Your Home”. Beginning December 1, 2018, two families will be invited into a family’s home to conclude Shabbat with a crafts, snacks, discussion and a Havdalah Ceremony. All of this will be led by our fantastic Cantor David Katz and myself. Thank you Steve and Jodi for helping us organize our first of many to come! Thank you to the Finkelsteins for hosting our first Havdalah!

We are now collecting NEW UNWRAPPED toys and gift cards for our annual John Theissen Children’s Foundation for sick and underprivileged children! All toys can be brought to the main office and will be donated on December 20, 2018. They will be distributed at all Long Island Hospitals. Thank you all for your ongoing support and generosity.

On November 13, 2018, our Religious School and Congregation was honored to have a soldier from the Israeli Defense Force (IDF). A young woman, who was honored the following day at a Gala by the Friends of the Israeli Defense Force, spoke about her journey of making Aliyah (ascent) to Israel and joining the IDF. As she arrived at Temple Or Elohim, there was a cease fire between Israel and Gaza Militant groups. In the days leading up to our soldier’s visit, Israel endured hundreds of rockets being fired directly at it. Once again, IDF was ready and protected our Jewish homeland. Our Israeli soldier’s passion and dedication to Israel is two of many outstanding qualities that make her a Zionist. She shared with our community the timeline of what occurs each day that she is on duty. Our children asked thought provoking questions and were unquestionably extremely interested. Our teens Ethan Hatz, Darien Schultz and Samantha Sternick worked together to create wonderful gift bags for our guest and her fellow soldiers. The entire Religious School made cards thanking our dedicated soldiers for protecting Israel and Jews worldwide. We concluded this moving and memorable program with Hatikvah, Israel’s national anthem, meaning “the HOPE”.

On this note, may we all never lose faith despite all the tragedies our world has seen in the last month. May we all pray for peace, unity and acceptance here and everywhere.

From my family to yours may the lights that shine in your home bring all of you a joyous holiday filled with love and happiness. Happy Hanukkah.

B’shalom,

Deborah E. Tract, Director of Education
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Men's Club:

The morning after the election my friends asked me for whom did I vote. "I voted for G-d", I replied. After I let them have their moment to roll their eyes and giggle, I explained to them why. "He's the perfect candidate." I said. "He doesn't lie. He doesn't steal. He doesn't commit adultery. He never makes a promise he can't keep. Finally, he's non-partisan. He loves everyone the same." They saw the wisdom of my decision after realizing the anguish they subjected themselves to in trying to find the lesser of two evils. It would be so wonderful if the knuckleheads we elect to office really behaved like G-d. One can only dream...

I'm still raw and grieving over the massacre in Pittsburgh. I find myself either crying or close to it almost every day. The Interfaith Service was cathartic. It was what I needed to clear my head and move forward in a positive direction.

Ok, let's get to the Men's Club news:

If you missed Comedy Night, boy, did you miss a fun night! Drs. Phil Rubin and Harry Freidman put together an amazing evening filled with great music and really funny people. The Traditions sounded fantastic and everyone in the room was singing along. The three comedians were all hysterical. Of course, we can't forget the delicious Italian feast from Frank's Gourmet in Woodbury. HUGE thanks again to Phil and Harry!

The temple Hanukkah party is coming up fast! Men's Club traditionally helps out at this wonderful event and can use volunteers to help out. Please join us!

We have a whole slew of events and activities planned for the coming year. Movies, shows, dinners and a few fun surprises are heading your way. For more information, watch your email or send me an email at hellerhardware@gmail.com.

So, friends, I talked long enough. Please be non-partisan with each other, be honest to both others and yourselves and be happy.

All the best,
Mark

We Sorrowfully Mourn the Passing of:

Marvin Baiman, husband of our member Bernice Baiman

Milton Pincus, father of our member Jessica Gerschitz

Richard Epstein, husband of our member Emilie Epstein



The Institute for Adult Jewish Studies

The Institute for Adult Jewish Studies is holding its Winter Session at Temple Or Elohim! The theme will be Jewish Music and the World. The programs will be at **8:00 pm on January 7, 14, 21 and 28**. There is no additional charge for those registered for the Fall Session. If not registered, each lecture will cost \$5.00 or \$15 for all four. Information on each session is available in the Temple Office.

Sisterhood Update:

With over 90 members who joined sisterhood thus far why do we only have fewer than 10 people who regularly attend a meeting or help out with events and fundraisers? With all of our busy schedules I do understand that our Temple becomes the lowest priority. Perhaps we can change that and bump it up a notch or two and make Temple activities, events and meetings a bit more active part of your lives. Tell us what you want, what we are doing wrong; tell us what you want to see more of. Come with a friend to help break the ice.

I "joined" TOE when my son was only 4 years old and in kindergarten (he made the district cut off!). I was working and held a position as an active member in the PTA. Whenever I was called upon, by then Director of Education, Mrs. Michelson, I never hesitated to answer her plea for help as I knew I was helping out my Temple in some small way. I did not attend services "religiously" (pun intended), but I did feel that being part of temple life was a bit of my sacred place. As the years went on I held a dual presidency in PTA and Sisterhood. This statement was not meant for remarks whether positive or negative it is just what I did. I wanted to invest my time in the future of the children of the Syosset School District and invest my time to insure the longevity of my Temple. Not to mention that I had begun to develop friendships that is everlasting. I truly know how difficult it is to juggle a family, a home, work and volunteer. I made it work because I wanted it to work. I hope you see this as a plea to be part of who we are rather than any other thought you might have. We need you to help us insure the future of our Temple. With that said here's a rundown of what we have in store for you and I hope you will come out to support our efforts as they only help to support your Temple:

Mah Jongg card sales are in full swing. Please consider reaching out to your group to place orders with us. Each card is mailed directly to individual homes. Large print cards are \$9 and standard size cards are \$8.

We will be attending local theater right here in Syosset at the CAP Center on **Saturday, March 30, 2019 at 8 pm** for the showing of Avenue Q. Tickets are \$25 per person (a bit less than the normal price of a ticket). Open to Men's Club as well. Please watch for future email blasts regarding the purchase of tickets.

We are accepting all suggestions to change the name of Sisterhood (to help bring us into the 20th century). Please forward all suggestions to Robin at HANDSON64@aol.com

We are selling the FOODIE CARD... A fundraiser that is a WIN, WIN, WIN for ALL! EAT. DRINK. SAVE. DONATE! It is a card that when purchased allows a 10% discount off your restaurant bill of participating establishments. The card costs \$30.00 for a year's membership and a portion of the monies received is donated to Island Harvest and City Harvest to provide meals for the hungry. Through a NEW program the FOODIE CARD will now donate \$5.00 back to our organization for EVERY card WE sell! I am telling you up front that occasionally they run specials and you can purchase the FOODIE CARD through them, but we will NOT receive the donation in return. SO please support our efforts! Attached in this newsletter are flyers that pertain to the FOODIE CARD and the restaurants that presently participate. This list is an ever growing list and best to check their website (www.foodiecard.com) for new restaurants that have been added. This makes for a great gift when you don't know what to get the person who loves to eat out and who has everything.... whether for Chanukah, Mother's Day, Father's Day and birthday or even if you simply want to save money yourself. Just download the application flyer and fill out a form for each recipient. Send a check made payable to Foodie Card (or you can provide your credit card information that will be sent to Foodie Card) to either the office at 18 Tobie Lane attention: Sisterhood Foodie Card or mail directly to me: Robin Grossman 15 Garden Place, Jericho, NY 11753.

Our next Book Club book discussion will be Button Man by Andrew Gross on **January 23, 2019**. Plenty of time to read it!

SAVE THE DATE!!! Sunday, **February 10, 2019** we will have an interactive cooperative mystery puzzle as we Escape the Box! Dinner will be included. This is for ALL ages and guaranteed fun for everyone. Details to follow in upcoming months.

We have been asked to hold canasta and Mah Jongg lessons which is in the works for springtime along with a tour of the Lower East Side. Also in the planning stages is a wine and paint night and wood pallet painting!

So you see we are trying to do events that would appeal to all age groups and we are hoping to bridge the gap. Lastly, I would like to thank Francine Miller for leading our first book club discussion and to Susan Bloomberg, Sue Zichlin and

Sisterhood Update Continued:

Laurel Fried and all the volunteers for yet another spectacular Shopper's Night...this time with a twist. Thank you to all the regulars who show up at meetings and help make plans, brainstorm and consider the Temple as part of their being. I so hope to see many more of you in the future. As a reminder to those who are new members to TOE, first year of membership is paid for so please join us!

Our next meeting will be held on **Monday, December 10th at 7:30 pm** as we plan something to end the last day of Hanukkah.

From our hearts to yours we wish you a spectacular New Year and Happy Hanukkah.

Robin Grossman
President of Sisterhood
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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

***December Anniversaries***

- 1 Frederic & Bonnie Oliver
- 6 Harlye & Jean Greenberg
- 8 David & Vivian Delman
- 10 Dennis & Joanne Myrah
- 14 Ronald & Michelle Finkelstein
- 17 Herbert & Judith Schanker
- 20 Philip & Linda Peller
- 24 Harvey & Deena Yaris
- 26 Stuart & Gale Manheim

December Birthdays

1 Colby Adams	11 Bryan Green	20 Julian Saltz
1 Meredith Glenn	11 Edward Levine	22 Summer Ginsberg
1 Barbara Lubliner	11 Ken Weissman	23 Matthew Perlmutter
1 Ross Reddock	12 Emma Mogavero	23 Dennis Weiss
1 Jodi Weisbrod	12 Michael Wilner	24 Joshua Delman
2 Philip Peller	14 Staci Rogove	24 Mark Osnowitz
3 Laurence Perry	15 Edward Gellender	24 Adam Silverman
4 Michael Kellman	15 Arthur Rosenberg	25 Jennifer Lampert
5 Evan Adam Blidner	16 Paula Cohn	25 Lana Math
5 Danielle Burger	16 Dean Felsen	26 Jeffrey Burger
6 Cole Beekman	16 Yelena Markovskaya	26 Barbara Halpern
6 Heather Elyse Bloomberg	16 Dennis Myrah	26 Howard Rosenthal
6 David Horowitz	16 Lauren Wiener	26 Eric Roth
6 Leonard Zichlin	16 Craig Yaris	27 Ashley Myrah
7 Abigail Damast	17 Justin Bachman	27 Emily Rogove
7 Madeline Damast	17 Wendy Blidner	28 Joana Bekerman
7 Joan Ritter	17 Gregory Katz	28 Evelyn Sklar Goldman
7 Risa Weintraub	18 Noah Fried	28 Leah Kaufer
8 Matthew Goldberg	18 Jordan Oliver	28 Julie Rosenthal
9 Karen Blinder	18 Marc Scher	28 Heather Weinstock
9 Vivian Delman	18 Jeffrey Zichlin	29 Marianne Bock
9 Brandon Silverman	19 Eileen Flax	29 Ivy Heller
10 Deborah Singer	19 Michael Greenberg	29 Scott Paticoff
11 Lauren Allen	19 Shayna Walsh	31 Melissa Lefkowitz
11 Dennis Blinder	20 Richard Baiman	31 Stan Miller



Congratulations to our Bat Mitzvah Candidate and her family:

December 1, 2018

Leah Kaufer - Daughter of Meredith and Michael



Torah Notes:

Dec 1 Vayeshev (Gen 37:1-40:3)

Joseph's life takes a strange and disturbing turn after he shares his prophetic dreams with his brothers. Jealous of the way in which their father favored him, Joseph's brothers heartlessly attack him, sell him into slavery and tell their father that he had been killed by a wild beast. Thus begins Joseph's life in the Land of Egypt. The Torah pivots back to Canaan, where Tamar educates Judah about how to treat a woman, through deception and sex. Back in Egypt, Joseph refuses his master's advances. He ends up in prison through no fault of his own. In prison, he begins to make a name for himself as an interpreter of dreams.

Dec 8 Miketz (Gen 41:4-44:17)

Joseph interprets Pharaoh's dreams and begins to rise to power. Eventually, he attains one of the highest offices in all of Egypt. He marries Asenath, and has two children: Ephraim and Meneshe. There is a great famine in all of the lands but Joseph is prepared. From far and wide, people come to him for food, including his brothers, who are on the brink of starvation. Joseph recognizes them right away, though they do not recognize him. He tests them three separate times.

Dec 15 Vayigash (Gen 44:18-47:27)

Joseph sees his youngest brother Benjamin for the first time in years. After Joseph's three tests for his brothers are complete, he can hold himself back no longer. Joseph reveals his identity to them. He is delighted to find out his father is still alive and even more delighted to see him again. Joseph and Jacob meet with Pharaoh. Joseph's family prospers in Egypt.

Dec 22 Vayechi (Gen 47:28-50:26)

The book of Genesis comes to a close, as Jacob's life comes to an end. Jacob blesses his grandchildren Ephraim and Menashe. Jacob offers his deathbed blessings and imparts instructions for his burial. Despite the huge rifts between them, Joseph and his brothers are able to forgive one another and together offer Jacob the burial he deserved. Years pass and Joseph, too, comes to the end of his days. He makes a deathbed prophecy of people Israel's future.

Dec 29 Shemot (Exodus 1:1-6:1)

A new Egyptian Pharaoh rose to power who did not remember the once positive relationship between the Hebrews and the Egyptians. Seeing Hebrews as a threat, he turned them into slaves and ordered them to drown male children in the Nile River. Somehow, a Levite woman was able to keep her son alive by placing him in a basket on the Nile. Pharaoh's daughter found Moses and decided to raise him in the palace as her own. As Moses grows up, he begins to wonder about his true identity. Feeling a connection to the Hebrew people, he kills an Egyptian on their behalf. He then flees for his life to Midian, where he settles down and had children. Years later God's calls to him out of a burning bush, insisting that he return to Egypt. After a substantial protest, he agrees.

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Roz and David Vermut
Wishing Julia Katz a speedy recovery

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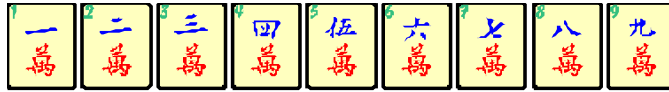
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Macho's NYC New York, NY
Mac's Steakhouse Huntington, NY
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2 HANUKKAH First Candle	3 Musical IQ activity during Religious School	4 Musical IQ activity during Religious School Men's Club meeting 7:30 PM	5	6 Musical IQ activity during Religious School	7 Erev Shabbat Service for Hanukkah with Nishamah 7:30 PM	8
9 Hanukkah Party 11:00 AM-2:00 PM	10 Sisterhood Meeting 7:30 PM	11 Ritual Committee Meeting 8:00 PM	12	13 Executive Committee Meeting 8:00 PM	14 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM	15
16 Roundtable Rap	17	18 Board of Trustees Meeting 8:00 PM	19	20	21 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM	22
23	24 School Recess begins	25	26	27	28 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM	29
30	31					