

HUNTINGTON JEWISH CENTER

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by Rabbi Kurshan

Reimagining HJC

As I write this column at the beginning of August, it is already safe to say that this was not the summer that most of us anticipated. While summer tends to be relatively carefree, many of us spent the month of July glued to the television or computer about the latest news emanating from Israel. We were saddened by the deaths of so many young Israeli soldiers who had their whole lives ahead of them, and we were also saddened by an enemy that forces us to go to war when we only seek to live in peace with our neighbors. On a personal level I did not anticipate sitting shiva for my mother, but I was grateful to all of you who visited me during shiva or extended condolences to me these past weeks. In the end, this turned out to be a summer of challenges—some, such as the war in Israel, well beyond our

ability to solve; others that are fortunately of smaller magnitude and easier to address.

In the life of organizations such as our synagogue, it is important to be able to distinguish those challenges with easy solutions from those that are more difficult to resolve. Dr. Ronald Heifeitz, Director of the Center for Public Leadership at Harvard, distinguishes between two types of challenges faced by any organization—technical challenges and adaptive challenges. A technical challenge is one where we have a problem and someone else has the solution. We are ill; we have an infection; we go to the doctor who says: “Take this antibiotic and you will be cured in ten days.”

Adaptive challenges are problems where we are part of the problem and have to change ourselves. We are having chest pains and the doctor says, “I can give you a pill, but what you really need to do is change your lifestyle; you need to eat more healthily, exercise regularly, reduce your weight, and sleep more at night.

For technical problems, there are usually quick fixes that leadership can employ. The synagogue roof is leaking. We go to roofers and get bids; we find a way to pay for the repairs, and the roof gets fixed.

Adaptive challenges are not so easy to solve. They arise because the world is changing

ROSH HASHANAH, KOL NIDRE & YOM KIPPUR 2014 - 5775	
<b>SELICHOT SERVICE</b>	
Saturday Night, September 20 .....	11:30 PM
<b>CEMETERY VISITATION</b>	
Sunday, September 21 .....	11:00 AM
<b>ROSH HASHANAH</b>	
1st Evening, Wednesday, September 24 .....	6:45 PM
1st Day, Thursday, September 25 .....	8:15 AM
Torah Reading .....	9:30 AM
Youth Services .....	10:30 AM
Sermon .....	10:40 AM
Musaf .....	11:30 AM
<b>Babysitting Available from 10:15-12:15</b>	
2nd Evening, Thursday, September 25 .....	6:45 PM
2nd Day, Friday, September 26 .....	8:15 AM
Torah Reading .....	9:30 AM
Youth Services .....	10:30 AM
Sermon .....	10:40 AM
Musaf .....	11:30 AM
<b>Babysitting Available from 10:15 AM to 12:15 PM</b>	
Concluding Service/Shabbat (Lief Chapel) .....	6:30 PM
<b>Tashlich, Sunday, September 28</b> .....	11:00 AM
(At Village Green Brook)	
<b>YOM KIPPUR</b>	
<b>KOL NIDRE, Friday, October 3</b> .....	6:30 PM
<b>Babysitting Available from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM</b>	
<b>YOM KIPPUR DAY, Saturday, October 4</b>	
Pseukei d'Zimrah .....	9:00 AM
Shacharit .....	9:30 AM
Torah Reading .....	10:30 AM
Youth Services .....	11:15 AM
Sermon .....	11:30 AM
Musaf .....	12:15 PM
Healing Service (Lief Chapel) .....	1:15 PM
Mincha .....	3:45 PM
Yizkor .....	5:00 PM
Neilah .....	5:45 PM
Break-the-Fast .....	7:00 PM
<b>Babysitting Available from 11:00 AM to 12:45 PM &amp; 5:45PM to 7PM</b>	

and circumstances are different from what they once were.

I would argue that the primary challenges we face today at HJC are adaptive rather than technical. That is both bad and good news--bad news because there will be no quick fixes and good news because I believe we have a community that is able to adapt to change.

The structure of the synagogue we have today is one that made sense for a synagogue thirty years ago. The Conservative Movement was growing, Jews were moving to Suffolk County and to Huntington. There was a mini baby boom as the generation of baby boomers had their own children who filled our Nursery School and RS classrooms. People still identified denominationally. There were fewer interfaith families. Jews thought communally rather than individually.

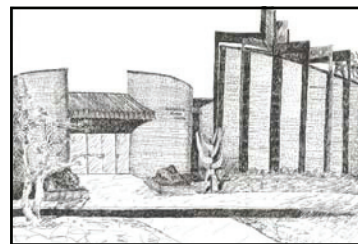
This is not the case anymore. We face a different world, and thus we need to think about a different kind of synagogue. How do we create programming appropriate to an institution in which the largest group is no longer those in their thirties and forties but rather those in their fifties and older? How do we think about an institution that needs to educate parents who did not grow up in traditional Jewish homes, but who nevertheless are seeking Jewish knowledge? How do we reach beyond the walls of the synagogue to Jews who make up a far more diverse population than the conventional mother, father and two children?

I believe strongly that we are fortunate to lead a community deeply vested in the future of our synagogue. I believe that we have always been a community open to change as evidenced by the many new initiatives we have undertaken, and the many times we have been on the cutting edge of developments within the Jewish community whether egalitarianism, family education, Friday Night Live or Wise Aging.

We are already beginning to think about the synagogue in some new ways. Joel Wirchin is heading a long range planning committee that is looking at how the synagogue can be restructured to account for the changing realities we face. We are also fortunate this year to be the recipients of a grant from UJA Federation of NY that will allow us to bring the best of the Huntington Jewish Center to venues and cultural centers of Huntington Village as part of an effort to reach out to young interfaith families in the community who may initially feel insecure about crossing the threshold of the synagogue building itself (if you would like to help in the implementation of this imaginative grant, please let Billy Wertheim or me know).

The challenges we face as a synagogue are not unique to us. They are faced by hundreds of synagogues that are embracing alternative structures for revenue, staffing and programming. We will need to consider some different ways of thinking about our synagogue, but I am convinced that working together we can develop new paradigms for this synagogue that will meet the challenges that lie ahead.

I look forward to a year during which we will plan for our future by reimagining an institution that will continue to strengthen each of us in our Jewish lives and that will help to sustain the Jewish community. Alisa and I extend our warmest wishes to the congregation for a Shana Tova—for a sweet and fulfilling New Year.



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# September 2014

## Elul -Tishri 5774-5775



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Yoga</i>  <b>LABOR DAY</b>	2  Religious School Staff Meeting-4:15	3	4  ECC Parent Orientation 7pm	5  Minyan Breakfast   Shabbat Services 8pm	6  <b>BAT MITZVAH</b> Terri Schindler   <b>Ki Tetze</b>
7 <i>JNN</i> Religious School First Day RS Parent Ori- entation-11am RS Kick off	8 <i>Yoga</i>  ECC First Day  SH Board-8pm	9    Chaverim 6:15	10  Social Action 2pm	11	12    <b>Shabbat Services 6pm</b>	13    <b>Ki Tavo</b>
14 <i>JNN</i>  Men's Club- 9:15  SH Silver Polishing 10am	15 <i>Yoga</i>	16	17	18	19    Shabbat Services 6pm	20 Shabbat Shinding 10:30  Eva Hofman Kramer Lecture 9:30pm  <b>Nitzavim/ Vayelech SELICHOT</b>
21 <i>JNN</i>   Kad/USY	22 <i>Yoga</i>	23   Chaverim 6:15	24 NO ECC   Services 6:45pm  <i>Erev Rosh Hashanah</i>	25 NO ECC Office Closed  Services 8:15am  Services 6:45pm  <i>Rosh Hashanah</i>	26 NO ECC Office Closed  Services 8:15am  Concluding Service 6:30pm  <i>Rosh Hashanah</i>	27    <b>Ha'azinu</b>
28 <i>JNN</i>  <b>Tashlich 11am</b>	29	30			<b>Project Food Sept. 19</b>	<b>Isaiah Drive - Oct. 12</b>

## ~ 2014 HIGH HOLIDAYS SCHEDULE ~

<b>Wednesday Evening, September 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Rosh Hashanah, First Night</b>	<b>Evening Services 6:45 PM</b>
<b>Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Rosh Hashanah, First Day</b>	<b>Services begin 8:15 AM Babysitting 10:15-12:15</b>
<b>Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Rosh Hashanah, Second Night</b>	<b>Services 6:45 PM</b>
<b>Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Rosh Hashanah, Second Day  Concluding Service/Shabbat (Lief Chapel)</b>	<b>Services begin 8:15 AM Babysitting 10:15-12:15 6:30 PM</b>
<b>Friday, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Kol Nidre</b>	<b>Services begin 6:30 PM Babysitting 6:30-9:00pm</b>
<b>Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Yom Kippur   Babysitting 5:45pm to 7:00 pm</b>	<b>Services begin 9:00 AM Babysitting 11:00 – 12:45 Mincha 3:45 PM Yizkor service 5:00 PM Neilah 5:45 PM</b>
<b>Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sukkot, First Night</b>	<b>Services begin 6:15 PM</b>
<b>Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sukkot, First Day</b>	<b>Services begin 9:30 AM Babysitting 10:30-12 noon</b>
<b>Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sukkot, Second Night</b>	<b>Services begin 6:15 PM</b>
<b>Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sukkot, Second Day</b>	<b>Services begin 9:30 AM Babysitting 10:30 -12 noon</b>
<b>Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Erev Shemini Atzeret</b>	<b>Services begin 6:00 PM</b>
<b>Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Shemini Atzeret</b>	<b>Services begin 9:30 AM Babysitting 10:30-12 noon</b>
<b>Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Simchat Torah</b>	<b>Services begin 7:00 PM</b>
<b>Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Simchat Torah</b>	<b>Services begin 9:30 AM Babysitting 10:30-12 noon</b>

# HJC Community News



## CONDOLENCES

Vicki Perler on the death of her mother, Shirley Held.

Dan Schoeffler on the death of his father, Max Schoeffler

Rabbi Neil Kurshan on the death of his mother, Phyllis Kurshan.

Jen Corcoran on the death of her mother, Donna Podhayny Zieky

## MAZAL TOV

Cecil & Richard Klein announce the birth of their granddaughter, Samara Hannah Klein.

Roz & Marty Spielman announce the birth of their granddaughter, Beatrice Alma Elrod.

Cantor Israel Gordan & Abigail Uhrman announce the birth of their daughter, Maya Reut Gordan-Uhrman.

Ayelet & Ari Levy announce the birth of their son, Liron Shan Levy.

Susan & Steven Lax announce the birth of their grandson, Liron Shan Levy.

Charlene & Gordie Kerner announce the birth of their granddaughter, Sienna Kerner.

## NEW MEMBERS

Chris & Alissa DiBlasio of Huntington and their children: Siena, age 4 & Carter, age 2.

Jay & Allison Maciorowski of Greenlawn and their children: Paul, age 4 & Scott, age 2½.

## Lone Soldier



There are thousands of young diaspora Jews who do not have parents in Israel, voluntarily serving in the Israel Defense Forces. The Lone Soldier Center serves these men and women creating a home away from home. Please support the Lone Soldier initiative in these difficult times. Your involvement contributes to the solidarity for Israel that we feel at this time. We suggest that you use the following website for your donation.

[lonesoldierscenter.com](http://lonesoldierscenter.com)

Social Action Committee

# President's Perspective

by William Wertheim



Welcome back!

This September, that means a lot of things. First, as all of you know if you're reading this, it means welcome back to the paper version of the Bulletin! Our experiment last year of an all-electronic Bulletin was noble, but we heard all of your concerns loud and clear, and we have returned to paper. I hope you enjoy the new (old?) format,

and find it easier to learn about what's happening at HJC than with the all-electronic format. Of course, if you wish, you may still find the electronic Bulletins, new and old, on our website at [www.hjcn.org](http://www.hjcn.org). One very important feature about our return to paper Bulletins is that it will be revenue-neutral for our synagogue. As you remember, the change to electronic was made largely to save money. Our intrepid staff found a publisher who ensured through enhanced advertising that printing the Bulletin on paper would not cost HJC money, so we have not needed to devote a significant outlay of money to provide the service all of us have stated we want. Clearly, this transition has afforded good news all around.

The second welcome back is to our clergy and professional staff, who had a bit of time off and some changes in their lives. Rabbi Kurshan has a new daughter-in-law (Mazal Tov!), Cantor Gordan has a new daughter (Mazal Tov!), so we know they've had a busy summer. Ilene Brown, our new ECC director, has taken over the reins from the retired Susie Meisler, and has been doing wonderful things in the Nursery School. Although new to the position, she was a teacher at our Nursery School for many years, and so we are safe in wishing her a welcome back, and a Mazal Tov on her new role. She has a substantial and important job, and her ideas, experience, and energy have already started to bear fruit for our Early Childhood program. Maxine Fisher is returning to the Religious School, though with the number of roles she fills at HJC in a variety of different areas, I can hardly say welcome back—she's been here all summer. We are looking forward to a terrific year at the Religious School, under the steady and talented guidance of Maxine and Cantor Gordan.

Another welcome back is personal—my son Matthew spent the summer in Eastern Europe and Israel with USY Pilgrimage. It was a particularly fulfilling experience for him, as he got to see his uncle in Prague, learn about the Jewish Communities in the Czech Republic, Poland, and Germany; most affecting for him, he was able to see some of the concentration camps, and understand at a deeper level the devastation Hitler and his minions

wrought on the Jews of Europe. Then, he went to Israel where the planned itinerary was altered to account for rockets flying and the war effort. So in addition to learning Israeli history and culture, and the long historical ties of Jews to Israel, he saw how Israeli society responded to the military threats it faced this summer. He, as well as a number of our congregants who travelled to Israel this summer during the conflict with Hamas, spoke at our Israel Oneg at the end of August, and their experiences and reflections about Israel at a time of war were moving and thought-provoking.

Last, but certainly not least, a welcome back to all of you. Many of you in our congregation go away during the summer—summer-long, or part of the time, and September with the High Holidays brings many people back to our community and to HJC. It feels like a homecoming, a reunion of old friends. While you relaxed and recharged, we've been busy here, preparing for the upcoming year. In particular for September, I am very excited about our Eva Hofman Kramer Selichot lecture, to be held on Saturday, September 20 at 9:30 pm. This year we will hear from Bret Stephens, the Pulitzer-Prize-winning writer from the Wall Street Journal. I am sure his remarks will be eye-opening and thoughtful.

As the High Holidays approach, I look forward to greeting each of you, hearing about your summer adventures, and renewing the bonds of community, Jewish life, and friendship that keep HJC the warm and welcoming place it is.

So, Welcome Back!



*...Save the Date...*

**Be there**

**SISTERHOOD Paid-Up Membership Dinner**

**New and Old Members**

**Good Friends, Good Food, Good Drinks, Good Times**

**October 30, 2014: 6:30pm Cocktails, 7:30pm Dinner**



## Fasting

by Cantor Israel Gordan



This past Tisha B'Av was not a good fast day for me. In fact, it was one of my worst. We had a newborn at home, my other two kids were sick, I didn't have work to distract me, and it was hot outside. Pretty rough to not eat or drink for 24 and a half hours. But normally, I like fasting. And as we look forward to Yom Kippur, I'd like to share with you why that is true.

I can't say that I love fasting, and enjoy is definitely not the right word, but I think there is a reason that fasting is used in so many religious traditions, whether it's fasting on Fridays during lent, or during the daylight hours during Ramadan. Because when you think about it, it's amazing how much time and energy we spend on food.

What's for dinner? What did you have for lunch? I'm hungry, what can I have for a snack? This is delicious; you've got to try this. This looks interesting. Are we going out tonight, or are we bringing in? What's cooking? So many of our thoughts revolve around food. And as people who live without worrying about where our next meal might be coming from, it's easy to take for granted that food will always be around.

According to the Feeding America website, one in six Americans face hunger and in 2012, 49 million Americans lived in food insecure households. While many of us think of hunger as a far away problem (and can remember stories of starving children in Africa or China), hunger is a very real problem right here at home.

But fasting not only helps me think about food in a different light, it also opens up my thoughts and creates space to think about other things. Whereas on a normal day the first thing I might do when walking in the house is to look in the pantry or fridge for something to eat, on Yom Kippur I can't do that: nothing to snack on when I get home from shul, and nothing to eat for breakfast when I wake up in the morning. Many people complain that because of this, they end up spending more time thinking about food and what they would eat if they could. But I believe that harnessing those thoughts are part of what make fasting so meaningful.

Embracing the hunger and using those feelings can help cleanse the spirit and the soul. When you take a moment to examine the liturgy on Yom Kippur, there is some pretty serious work that we are required to do. By removing just one of the elements that constitute the mundane on a regular day, we can help elevate and even transform the day into something much holier.

So even if you are craving a bagel, or pizza, or chocolate milk, you know that you're not going to have it, and instead, can redirect your thoughts to God, to yourself, and trying to lay the foundation for a better and more fulfilling year. I hope everyone has a Shanah Tovah and an easy and meaningful fast.

## Religious School Update

by Maxine Fisher  
Religious School Administrator

It's so hard to believe the summer is over and the High Holidays are around the corner. I hope everyone had a restful and relaxing summer. We have been working on many aspects of getting the Religious School ready for the start on **Sunday, September 7th.**

On the first day of school, we are having a parent orientation at 9:15. Even if your child has been at HJC for a few years, we have some new information that you will need to know. (there is a new structure to Junior Congregation attendance for one thing). Please make it a point to stop by and enjoy the coffee and cake.

The same morning at 10:15 the Religious School committee co chaired by **Felicia Messing and Sheri Bram**, will have their first meeting of the year. Anyone who is interested in adding to the conversations about your child's Jewish education is welcome to join us.

Don't forget that every Shabbat at 10:40 we have Nitzanim for children ages 4 - 7 with fun activities.

Also, please save the date of **Sunday, September 28th.** We will go across the street to the stream for our Tashlich ceremony. Please meet us in the parking lot at 10:45 so we can walk together. Students will be dismissed when we return to HJC .

Rob and I want to wish all of you a Shana Tova U'Metukah - a sweet and healthy New Year.

## Thank you

Dear Friends,

Alisa joins me in thanking all of you for the warm notes, gracious contributions of tzedaka, meals, and shiva visits as I mourned the death of my mother, Phyllis Kurshan. We very much appreciate your kindness and were touched by your concern for us all. I will always be grateful for all the acts of Hesed that sustained me during this time of grief. May we look forward in the coming year to the celebration of many smachot within our HJC community.

*With thanks,*  
**Neil Kurshan, Rabbi**

## Ben Tasman Library

We are literally overflowing with new additions to our collection and will be sharing suggestions from our collection every month. We have tried to make our HJC library a warm and inviting place and count on you to help us keep it that way. Come in, relax, browse, and stay awhile.

A wide range of titles is available in our library and we will be purchasing new books to add to the collection. Thank you to our members who have donated generously from their own libraries. Please consider donating to the library fund.

Here are some great staff picks for all ages!

### **Recommended Books for Children**

#### *Shalom, Salaam, Peace* by Howard I Bogot (Ages 3-7)

The author has created a lyrical dream of peace where in the absence of war "fences with unlocked gates encircle bows, arrows, swords and tanks... recycled into playground toys." Bogot draws from Judaism, Christianity, and Islam to bring the idea of peace into a concrete reality. Beautifully illustrated!

#### *The Silent Shofar* by Carol Korbut Hubner (Ages 8 and up)

Part of the Devora Does Mystery Series, this is a quick paced mystery providing readers with realistic examples of the practical application of Torah knowledge to unusual situations.

### **Adult Picks**

#### *Touch the Water, Touch the Wind* by Amos Oz

A richly descriptive novel which follows a Polish Jew, a watchmaker/magician/musician/dreamer through the travails of the Nazis, the Russians and finally to Israel. It is a tale of survival and redemption in the inimical style of a great writer.

#### *The Winds of War* by Herman Wouk

The first of Wouk's two epic novels of World War II will spellbind the reader and make us see his characters in 3D.

#### *Bloodshed and 3 Novellas* by Cynthia Ozick

Cynthia Ozick is well established in the top tier of Jewish/American novelists. These tales do not disappoint.

Library Committee: Syd Schlesinger, Chair; Donna Fleiss, Eileen Front, Ellen Kahn, Marilyn Klein, Janet Kushnick, Tyna Strenger, Miriam Wirchin



## Sisterhood News

by Evelyn Silverberg

### **Membership**

2014-2015 Dues envelopes have been mailed. Please send back your dues envelopes as soon as possible. Dues can also be paid at the Paid Up Membership Event which is Wednesday, October 29th starting with cocktails at 6:30 PM. This is always a fun and educational event and a great time to see some old friends and meet some new ones.

### **Fall Rummage Sale**

Clean out your closets and put aside gently used clothing and household items for the Fall Sale on Sunday and Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. The Drop Off Dates are Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> and Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. The Fall Rummage Sale will held in the Social Hall. Any items not purchased are donated to local organizations.

### **Women's League Torah Fund**

All donations to Women's League Torah Fund are used to support the training of Rabbis, Cantors and Educators at the Jewish Theological Seminary. The Torah Fund Pin for 5775 (2014-2015) is the Mishpachah theme, the Jewish family and is in the shape of the Tree of Life. Please contact Vicki Rosen or Ethel Sachs to make a donation.

### **Collegian Program**

Please send in your new or returning College Student's address so they can receive Holiday packages. This program keeps our College Students in touch with the HJC Community. Application Form is available in the HJC Office. You must submit the addresses annually.

### **Upcoming Events**

Fall Book Discussion – Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:30 AM. Marjorie Morningstar by Herman Wouk is the selection, 1955 Novel about an aspiring actress. Beryl Okwit will be leading the discussion. Copies are available at the Cold Spring Harbor, Harborfields, Huntington and South Huntington Libraries. Paper or Hardback editions can be purchased at Book Revue, Amazon Books or Barnes and Noble.

Yoga – Monday mornings

Gift Shop – Please remember the Sisterhood Gift Shop for your holiday and gift needs.

## **Sign up for HJC Sisterhood holiday packages for your college student today!**

To keep our college students in touch with their community and their Jewish roots, the HJC Sisterhood sends packages throughout the school year. Typically these include treats and items related to celebrating the relevant holiday. Our past recipients have enjoyed receiving these unexpected packages and we would love to include your son or daughter.

To ensure your students receive their first package, we need names and addresses by September 2, 2014. Contact the office for forms.

# Early Childhood News

by Ilene Brown



For those of you who don't know me, my name is Ilene Brown, and I am the new director of the Huntington Jewish Center's Early Childhood Center. For me, HJC has always been my home away from home. It has been a source of joy, comfort, and love for 15 years for my family and me.

When I was looking for a preschool for my son, Cameron, at age 3 (now 18 years old), I had the very good fortune to stumble upon HJC. From the moment I entered HJC for a tour of the Early Childhood Center, I felt

energy, warmth, comfort, and excitement. It was so full of life and love and I immediately knew this was the school for my child. Once Cameron was enrolled, I decided to follow in my mother's footsteps and pursue a career in education. I attended NYIT and received my Master's Degree in Education. While I was completing my student teacher tenure in Syosset, I became pregnant with my second child, Lauren.

A year or so later, at Cameron's graduation ceremony, I became extremely emotional. Not just because my son was graduating and had grown so much at HJC, but because I realized I had to leave HJC until my daughter was old enough to attend. I couldn't bear the thought of leaving my second home, so I decided to become a substitute teacher at HJC. This eventually evolved into an assistant teacher's position and the following year I became a lead teacher for a 3 year old class and ran the incredible library program. I taught at HJC for 11 years before I had to leave for personal reasons. I have been gone for 2 years and words cannot express my joy, gratitude, and elation that I have been given the opportunity to return.

Becoming the ECC Director has been a dream of mine for many years as it marries my two passions: education and management. The teachers in the school have all played a part in my children's education. These dedicated, caring, and talented women have made the HJC Early Childhood Center what it is today. My children could not have received a more stellar foundation and education than they did at HJC. My entire family has made lifelong friends from HJC that are irreplaceable.

I look forward to sharing this journey with you and your families, and I wish all of you a happy, healthy New Year. Shana Tova!

## BREAKING NEWS!!

**The Jewish Nutritional Network** is very proud to announce an amazing milestone of providing well over 250,000 meals over a 20 year period to families in need! That's right 1/4 of a million meals!!

## Bat Mitzvahs September



**Terri Schindler**  
Daughter of Meri  
and Ed Schindler

Terri attends H B

Thompson Middle School in the Syosset School District. She loves soccer, basketball, drawing and playing the clarinet. Terri has competed in NYSSMA and has been teaching herself a new instrument this summer. She has attended HJC since her days in the summer school.

Terri's parents are so proud of her on becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

## Selichot Lecture

The Annual Eva Hofman Kramer Selichot lecture is pleased to announce that our speaker will be **Bret Stephens**, The Wall Street Journal foreign-affairs columnist, former editor-in chief of the Jerusalem Post and 2013 Pulitzer Prize. His lecture is titled *"How Will Israel Survive in 2015?"*

The lecture will be held at **HJC on Selichot evening, Saturday, September 20th at 9:30 p.m.** with dessert collation, dedication of memorial plaques and Selichot services to follow. There is no admission charge for the lecture.

Please RSVP to the main office. For further details or questions please contact :  
**Jennifer Ingber at jen81RN@gmail.com.**

# Spotlight on...

*The Huntington Jewish Center is embarking on a new project that we hope you will embrace. The Storytelling Project is designed to give everyone in our congregation an opportunity to share his or her personal story. The purpose of this program is to enhance connectedness and to involve members in new and different ways. For those of you who are familiar with NPR's Story Corps, this project has a similar angle. It will enable people to hear what others have done in their lives, to share important elements and anecdotes, to bridge generations and to build community. We want to hear your story and where HJC fits into it. Each interview will be written in a narrative format and be printed in the HJC newsletter. We are also experimenting with video taping some of the interviews and hope to create a documentary montage of peoples' stories. Everyone is invited to participate; no one is obligated. There is a small group of committed people who have started to interview some of our most veteran members. This is a long-term project that will likely take years to complete – and will become an on-going part of the HJC culture. We not only hope that you will agree to be interviewed, but we also welcome additional interviewers, writers, editors, videographers and video editors. All ages are welcome to participate.*

*For more information or to get involved, please contact: Nancy Cooper: 516-356-7109 or email: [nancyberlow@gmail.com](mailto:nancyberlow@gmail.com)*



## Yosef Koreen

Dr. Joseph M. Koreen is one of the oldest longtime members of the Huntington Jewish Center. Joseph was born in Baghdad, Iraq, the eldest of eight children. His father was a jeweler, his mother a homemaker.

As a young child,

he attended The American School for Boys, and studied Hebrew at the Yeshiva in the evening. Joseph attended college at the American University of Beirut (AUB) in Lebanon. In 1939, after receiving his BA, he returned to Baghdad and taught chemistry and biology at Shamash Jewish high school. Longing to study medicine, Joseph returned to AUB to attend medical school, despite the fact that it was difficult for Jewish people to be admitted into AUB at the time. Joseph completed his medical studies in 1949, had a one-year residency at the hospital at AUB, which he completed at The Children's Memorial Hospital (McGill University) in Montreal, Canada. He then worked at The Jewish General Hospital in Montreal and The Ottawa Civic Hospital. Joseph met his wife, Grace, in Ottawa. Her parents had emigrated from the Ukraine as small children. She was one of six children. Her father also loved to attend shul! Grace earned her B.A. from McGill University. Grace and Joseph had their first-born daughter, Esther, in Ottawa and moved to East Northport in 1957.

Joseph walked into HJC, then called "The Huntington Hebrew Congregation," on one of his first Shabbats in the area. He was asked if he could read the Torah, and then, "fell in love" with the congregation. Joseph describes himself as the main Torah reader at HJC for approximately forty years. He read Torah during the entire time of Rabbi Lloyd Tennenbaum, Rabbi Tobias Rothenberg, and the first ten years of Rabbi Neil Kurshan. He was also the chairman of the Ritual Committee for approximately thirty years. Joseph describes his greatest achievement in that role, as advocating for the decision to count women in the minyan.

Joseph and Grace raised their family of three daughters and one son in Huntington. Their children attended HJC's Hebrew School, and they had their Bar/Bat Mitzvahs at HJC. The children also attended the Hebrew

Academy of Suffolk County. Two of Joseph's children, Amy and Roger, still live in Huntington. Daughter Joy lives in Queens, and Esther in Toronto. Joseph has 13 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren who were born and live in Jerusalem. He has been to Israel many times to visit the country and his family. Joseph had three brothers who raised families in Israel. His other siblings raised families in New York, New Jersey, and Florida.

Joseph claims that his "secret" to longevity, and what brought him great joy and satisfaction in life, is his relationship with The Huntington Jewish Center. He fondly recalls that one of the reasons that Grace enjoyed attending HJC was that there was no reserved seating – first come, first seated. Joseph still chants the Ne'ilah song on Yom Kippur. Many people return for Ne'ilah service specifically to hear Dr. Koreen's chanting in the Sephardic trope, and the blessing that he bestows upon the entire congregation. Another memorable contribution that Joseph is proud of are the songs that he composed and sang to HJC's outgoing presidents during their final "roasts."

Joseph is not only a member at HJC, where he attends most Shabbat mornings, but he also now belongs to the Iraqi synagogue in Queens, where he occasionally sees family and friends from Baghdad! To keep himself busy and active, Joseph exercises every morning, and loves to read the news and about new developments in medicine. He uses the computer and stays in touch with his children and grandchildren via email. His musical interests remain religious, as well as classical music. Yosef always enjoyed swimming at the local YMCA with Grace, and then at the Suffolk Y-JCC. He retired from practicing pediatrics about six years ago.

Joseph uses the metaphor of a pomegranate to describe his love for the HJC. Just like the pomegranate that has many individual seeds, so too, does the HJC have many individuals who come together to make a whole (fruit) community.

Joseph was always extremely involved and present at HJC. He enjoyed being part of fundraising and other community events. His living room wall is covered with plaques honoring his many contributions to the community. He has been, and continues to be, an integral part of the HJC community, and his invaluable contributions to the life of the shul are deeply felt and will continue to be for many years into the future.

**Interview compiled by Nancy Cooper, Amy Koreen and Joseph Koreen.**

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Amira Garbus in memory of Phyllis Kurshan, mother of Rabbi Neil Kurshan.

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Susan & David Lefkowitz in memory of Estelle Rubin at yahrzeit.

Sarah & Jerry Saunders in honor of the birth of Maya Reut Gordan-Uhrman, daughter of Cantor Israel Gordan & Abigail Uhrman.

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Janet & Martin Kushnick in memory of Frank Labb at yahrzeit.

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Marilyn & David Klein in honor of the marriage of Eytan, son of Rabbi Neil and Alisa Rubin Kurshan, to Anna Squires Levine.

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Marilyn Klein in honor of the 80th birthday of her husband, David Klein.

Marilyn & David Klein in memory of Pearl Deutchman at yahrzeit.

Marilyn & David Klein in memory of George Klein at yahrzeit.

Ellen & Jay Steinberg & family in honor of the 90th birthday of Charlotte Rosen.

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\*A PROGRESSIVE DINNER is an occasion where you will be invited to someone's home for cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a kosher dinner. After dinner, there will be sumptuous desserts and surprises at the home of Kim & Joe Willen.

Cost: \$60 per couple or \$30 per single

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