



HUNTINGTON JEWISH CENTER NEWS COMMUNITY CONNECTION



by Rabbi Kurshan

My Final Column

I sometimes suffer a recurrent nightmare. I am a young man trying to figure out what I will do with my life. No profession seems to be the right fit, and I am adrift and despairing over my lack of direction. I wake up in a cold sweat, and it takes a few minutes for me to realize that I am not the rudderless young man in that nightmare, but rather a rabbi who has been serving many years in my chosen profession.

I feel a profound gratitude that I was able to find a career suited to my strengths and that has also given me a deeply meaningful life. Part of my gratitude stems from having found a community that has supported me in the pursuit of my career. Over thirty-one years my career has arced from the teaching of skills such as Hebrew prayer, Shabbat and Holiday observance to teaching text to running workshops on spirituality and showing movies of Jewish interest. Through all the meanderings of my rabbinic life and Jewish interests, you

have stayed with me and been supportive. So many of you have told me how much I have given to you, but I feel that I have received back so much more in return.

I was reflecting recently with a congregant over what it means to have been here for thirty-one years. It is truly remarkable how much happens within the span of three decades. When I arrived at HJC, this particular individual was a young man in college. His father was a congregant who was dying from a massive stroke, and one of my first rabbinic acts in Huntington was to visit the father in the hospital. It was a time of great sadness in the son's life, but a few years later he fell in love, and I officiated at his marriage to a wonderful young woman. The couple soon moved from Queens to Huntington. I taught their children in Religious School and officiated at all their Bar and Bat Mitzvah celebrations. I shared the ups and downs of this family's life including one especially difficult period when this person lost his job, and the family feared having to move from their house. In the next few years the couple will be sending their youngest child off to college, and they are already anticipating the marriage of their oldest. The story of what I have shared in this family's life is similar to the stories of the lives that I have shared with so many of

you. I have lived through and been part of so many of the sorrows and joys of your lives.

Part of what it means to be a community is that our lives are intertwined with one another. As a community we have been through good times and tough times together. Ultimately our overarching commitment to Judaism has held us together and given us our common mission. I am grateful to have been part of this remarkable community and to have contributed my small part to its ongoing strength and toward sustaining Jewish tradition.

I have great faith in the future of HJC. We are a remarkable community of diverse people who care deeply about Judaism. We have been able to express our Jewish commitments with a notable absence of judgmentalism and with hands open to all who would like to join us on this Jewish quest.

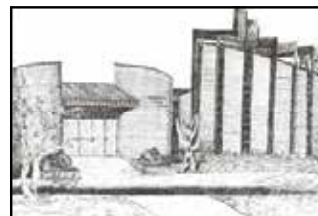
While I look forward with great



Shabbat Under the Tent aka Shabbat Under the Stars will be held **Friday, June 17, 2016 at 8:00 pm** on the back patio of the synagogue. Because a tent will be set up for the weekend Legacy events, we will be able to hold services outside rain or "moonshine".

anticipation to a new stage in my life, I know that I will miss the relationships I have forged here, and the home I have found in this community. I am comforted by knowing that the strength and resilience of this community will continue long into the future, and that there are so many good years in the life of HJC that are yet to come.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you, and may God's blessings continue to give all of us strength in the years ahead.



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Tisha B'Av Services



Tisha B'Av services will be held on **Saturday night, August 13 at 8:30 pm** in the Lief Chapel. Members of the congregation will chant the Book of Eicha (Lamentations) by candlelight as we commemorate the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and other tragic events in Jewish history. It is customary not to wear leather shoes and to wear comfortable clothes in order to sit on the floor. Candles will be provided, but those attending are encouraged to bring a flashlight.

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June

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 24 iyar	2 25 iyar	3 26 iyar Minyannaire of the Year 8am Board Installation 8pm	4 27 iyar Rachel Wieser Bat Mitzvah 9:30am Jr Congregation 10:30am Bechukotai
5 28 iyar Israel Day Parade RS Closed JNN YOM YERUSHALAYIM	6 29 iyar EC Meeting 7:30pm SH Board Meeting 8pm Chai Institute - DHJC	7 1 sivan Last Day of RS Moving Up/Mock Wedding ROSH CHODESH	8 2 sivan Social Action Meeting 2pm	9 3 sivan Last Day of ECC	10 4 sivan ECC Graduation Shabbarbeque! 6 pm SH/MC Shabbat 8pm	11 5 sivan HS Senior Service 9:30am Shavuot Tikkun Bemidbar EREV SHAVUOT
12 6 sivan RS Awards Ceremony JNN SHAVUOT	13 7 sivan SHAVUOT YZKOR	14 8 sivan FLAG DAY	15 9 sivan	16 10 sivan Board Meeting 8pm	17 11 sivan	18 12 sivan Rabbi's Celebratory Oneg Shabbat Naso
19 13 sivan Rabbi's Dessoert Gala 7 pm JNN FATHERS DAY	20 14 sivan 2016/17 Calendar Meeting SUMMER BEGINS	21 15 sivan	22 16 sivan	23 17 sivan	24 18 sivan	25 19 sivan Beha'alotecha
26 20 sivan JNN	27 21 sivan	28 22 sivan	29 23 sivan	30 24 sivan		



Men's Club Thank You

The Men's Club would like to thank the many congregants who generously donated to our Yom HaShoah Candle fund for Holocaust Education. We are looking forward to expanding our programming next year! We would also like to express our heartfelt gratitude and extend a Yashar Kochachem to all of those who helped pack and hand deliver candles to the membership. It was a daunting task, but gratifying to see so many of us volunteering our time to get it done!

View from the Director's Chair

by Barbara Axmacher



The Year In Review –

It is very hard to believe another (fiscal) year at HJC is coming to an end. With that passage of time we are seeing significant changes for our congregation; Rabbi Kurshan's retirement, the prospect of a new Interim Rabbi, EC and Board losses and additions, another class of young ECC graduates, another class of BBM

embarking on their journey into adulthood – the ebb and flow of life so clearly marked within our own walls.

We've had much to do this past year – business as usual of course, but the added exercise of our extended Rabbi search and the exhaustive, bittersweet planning and execution of the wonderful Legacy Celebration events.

In a role such as this, governed so specifically by a calendar of ritual and religious observance, the first year lays the groundwork of what is to come; it defines parameters and sets limitations. The challenge is to identify avenues of flexibility; to create inventive inroads which stay the course, but increase the interest - with the measure of that often taking many years.

We've ramped up a bit this past year with more community involvement, new partnerships, an active social media presence; all wonderful opportunities for HJC to increase our visibility and let our neighbors learn more about us and our beautiful way of practicing Judaism. We've also opened our doors to new member units and local organizations who rent space from us; appreciating our warmth and the inviting nature our building presents.

We do have some unknown terrain ahead but can seek comfort knowing we will travel the road together. I know it will lead



HJC Community News



MAZAL TOV

Mark B. Levin announces his engagement to Samantha Sero

CONDOLENCES

Shelly Weinberg on the death of her mother, Mia Freilich
Seth Popkin on the death of his mother, our congregant, Mitzi Popkin.
Janet Zimmerman on the death of her mother, Ann Cole
Gail Ellstein on the death of her father, Herbert Harris
Gordon Kerner on the death of his mother, Lillian Kerner
The Hirschfeld family on the death of their father, our congregant, William Hirschfeld.

NEW MEMBERS

Brad & Fara Chicorel of Huntington and their children:
Sydney, age 2½ and Ayden, age 1½
Gordon & Erica Kissam of Centerport and their children:
Austin, age 4½ and Cole, age 2½

us to a bright future - secured by the commitment of our congregation, love for our synagogue and respect for each other.

HJC Garden

If anyone would like to help out in our HJC garden located at the Community Organic Garden on Dunlop Road please let Joanne Cohn know via e-mail at jomulberg@gmail.com or you can call or text Joanne at 631-327-4056.

Help is needed now through October and any amount of time is appreciated. Most of what we grow helps fill our local food pantry with fresh vegetables as well as our own JNN!

Bat Mitzvah - June



Rachel Emily Wieser is a 7th grader at Old Fields Middle School, where she lovingly participates in the theater arts and music programs. Rachel actively mentors special needs students at Old Fields Middle School and has been awarded multiple student of the month and special achievement awards for her endeavors.

Rachel is a talented singer and actress and when she is not doing school work or preparing for her bat mitzvah, enjoys spending her free time playing with her dogs, swimming,

working with her vocal coach, and participating in theater productions at Community Arts Playhouse and Simple Gifts. Rachel is extremely passionate about her art and looks forward to sharing her voice as she chants her Haftorah and Torah portions.

Over the past five years Rachel has been very involved with HJC's theatre productions, including Guy's & Dolls and Kiss Me Kate and has loved working and building friendships with many of the talented adults in our synagogue and is excited for the next production.

Rachel cherishes the friendships she's created both in the Hebrew School and within the congregation and looks forward to seeing everyone at her simcha.

Rachel would like to thank her Dad, Lee, all of her friends at HJC along with Paul Greenstein, the Cantor and Rabbi in helping her prepare for her Bat Mitzvah.

Mazel Tov

*to Dalia Rosenthal on the
celebration of her many years
of dedication and service to
Jewish education.*



YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE CORDIALLY INVITED
TO ATTEND SERVICES AT THE
HUNTINGTON JEWISH CENTER

ON

SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2016 ~ 6 SIVAN 5776

THE FIRST DAY OF SHAVUOT

ALL PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS OF NEWBORNS
WILL BE INCLUDED IN A SPECIAL CEREMONY
TO EXPRESS THEIR THANKFULNESS

AND

THE NEWBORNS WILL BE WELCOMED INTO THE COMMUNITY

THIS CEREMONY TO WELCOME THE NEWBORNS
WILL TAKE PLACE AT
APPROXIMATELY 11:00 AM

KINDLY RESPOND TO RENDA ROSENBLATT
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND
E-MAIL: RENDABRIT@GMAIL.COM

(Include newborn's name, parents/grandparents names,
and sibling names)

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU!

BABYSITTING WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SIBLINGS, AGES 1-3,
BETWEEN 10:00 AM AND 12:00 NOON

President's Perspective

by Allison Reiver



My Year in Review

It's hard to believe that a year has passed since I took over for Billy as President. On one hand it feels like yesterday that I was installed, while on the other hand it feels like a very long time ago. On a personal note, since I became President, my family has suffered from multiple broken bones. In

June, my father-in-law broke

his femur; in September, our middle son Lee, broke his fibula and ankle; and in January, my mom broke her hip. These were all very trying times for my family, as each involved its own set of complications. While attending to my family members over the past year, I have also been committed to attending to our HJC families, and to helping lead us through some uncharted territory as we prepared to say farewell to Rabbi Kurshan, and undertook a search for a new rabbi. Throw in the everyday events and concerns at HJC, in addition to my paying job which of course became more demanding, and there were times that I felt a bit like a sinking ship taking on too much water.

What kept me sane, and able to fulfill so many different responsibilities, was the support of so many. Mitch and our boys, Andrew, Lee and Dan, helped wherever and whenever they could and, as always, made me laugh even when things looked bleak. I am lucky to have two amazing sisters who shared the responsibility for our mom while she was recovering. And so many at HJC have been there for support. I have relied so heavily on the Executive Committee of Billy Wertheim, Joel Wirchin, Vicki Perler, Ellen Steinberg, Michelle Stack, and Jeff Stark, and never once have they disappointed. This has been a team effort in every sense of the word. The Board of Trustees has also been a great resource to talk through issues and to help troubleshoot. Rabbi Kurshan and Cantor Gordan have always been available to offer assistance and guidance. Our Executive Director, Barbara Axmacher, has been my partner in getting things done, and I have had the support of Debbie Rosenkrantz and Irma Mile whenever needed.

I have come to appreciate what a "cabinet" means to a President. I have had the good fortune to be surrounded by congregants who have helped me when an issue was beyond my pay grade. Thank you to many, but especially to Arthur Perler, Ron Goldstein, and Andy Levy for fielding my emails where the subject line was "Help!" Paul Greenstein's command of every aspect of Shabbat services meant that I never had to worry that any detail of the service, or an ample supply of beverages for Kiddush, would be overlooked.



Sisterhood News

by Donna Fleiss & Miriam Wirchin

BQLI WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT

On June 8th, Women's League for Conservative Judaism will be sponsoring their 2016 Awards and Dinner Gala at Temple Israel of Great Neck recognizing Felicia Messing as well as other notable women from conservative synagogues in the Brooklyn, Queens and Long Island area.

Mazal Tov, Felicia!

SISTERHOOD/MEN'S CLUB SHABBAT

Friday, June 10th

Contact Sarah Saunders at ssaunds@aol.com to participate

Please join us!

RSVP TO RABBI KURSHAN'S FAREWELL SHABBAT

Sisterhood is sponsoring a lite Kiddush on June 18 and we need your RSVP which is so very important due to the anticipated large response as we celebrate Rabbi Kurshan's farewell Shabbat.

Please RSVP by email to shabbat618@gmail.com.

THANK YOU

A heartfelt thank you to the Sisterhood Board for your dedication and support all year!

And, Todah Rabah to the Sisterhood general membership and HJC community for your support, volunteerism and attendance at our Sisterhood programs and fundraisers. This past year's events included our Paid-Up Membership Dinner, book discussions, coloring nights, Fall and Spring rummage sales, A Taste of Passover (co-sponsored with Men's Club and ECC), Jewish genealogy, a discussion of "Growing up Jewish in Foreign Lands," and a Rosh Chodesh program. The Collegian Committee sent holiday gifts to approximately 40 students. Sisterhood also sponsored the baking of hamentashen and distribution of Purim baskets to the congregation and Gurwin residents, co-sponsored the Hanukkah Happening, presented *My Italian Secret* with Men's Club, as well as a trip to the Lower East Side. And, a Z'havah program (Pizza and Purim) was introduced as a way for younger women to affiliate and gather within the synagogue community.

Thank you again to all!

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 6th - Sisterhood Board Meeting 1:00pm

June 8th - BQLI Woman of Achievement Dinner Gala

June 10th - Shabbatbeque & Sisterhood/Men's Club Shabbat

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While I start my second year, it is a time of transition and departures. This will be a very emotional month as we say farewell to Rabbi Kurshan after leading us for over 30 years. In addition, the Executive Committee is saying farewell to Joel Wirchin, Jeff Stark, and Michelle Stack. The Board of Trustees will be saying goodbye to Carol Baker, Marsha Buchholtz, Eric Gemunder, Darryn Solotoff, and Andrea Smoller. Todah Rabah to all of you for your commitment to HJC.

I am looking forward to the next 12 months at HJC. In the Fall, we will continue our search for a permanent rabbi with the very dedicated committee we assembled last year. Our amazing professional staff and volunteers will be meeting in a few weeks to fill up our calendar for next year with wonderful and enriching programs which are being planned with all of you in mind. Until then, I would like to wish you a relaxing and peaceful summer and look forward to continuing my work as President (hopefully with no broken bones)!

J ON MAIN



Shabbarbecue!



June 6
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
510 Park Avenue
Huntington



This is going to be HUGE!

J on Main Interfaith Outreach,
Sisterhood / Men's Club,
Shabbat, Open House,
tons of great food and fun!

Stay for services afterwards,
they begin at 8:00 pm.

Come one, come all to this fantastic
way to kick off the summer at HJC!

RSVP by June 6
Watch your email for details
or contact Debbie in the Main
Office at 631-427-1089 or
debbier@hjcny.org

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\$10 per person after June 6.



Join us as we celebrate Rabbi Kurshan

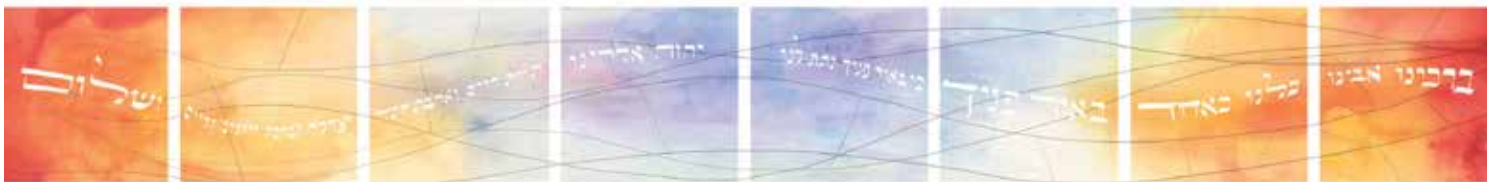


RABBI KURSHAN TO SHARE HIS FAVORITE TEXTS

Come to the Shavuot Tikkun, (study session)
following services on **Saturday June 11, 2016**
to explore the wisdom of those texts

***Services at 9:00pm,
Tikkun at 9:30pm***

FABULOUS dairy desserts to follow the Tikkun



Join us for: Rabbi Kurshan's Farewell Shabbat

**June 18, 2016
9:30 am
in our HJC sanctuary.**

Sisterhood is sponsoring a lite Kiddush to help us celebrate and your RSVP is so important due to the anticipated large response.

Please RSVP by email no later than May 27 to shabbat618@gmail.com
and

Farewell Dessert Reception
Sunday, June 19, 2016

for details and rsvp go to hjcny2016.com



SHAVUOT FOOD DRIVE



Tuesday, May 31 – Tuesday, June 7



Please join our HJC Synagogue family, Nursery School and Religious School in helping those in need in our community on Long Island.

There will be receptacles in the building to collect nourishing non-perishable healthy food in unopened containers.

Please do not bring Passover food.

All food will be donated to help refill local food pantries.

We know we can count on your support!

Any questions? Please call Marilyn Klein at 631/271-8461 or Janet Kushnick at 631/271-8803

It Ain't Just Cake

Lesley DeLia - Stark

By now you have received your invitation to Rabbi Kurshan's Farewell Dessert Reception on the evening of June 19, 2016 to mark his 30 years of service to HJC. Many congregants have been asking what they can expect. Expect a joyful evening in a beautifully decorated room and patio tent... anticipate carefully selected speakers highlighting Rabbi Kurshan's contributions to our HJC community ... look forward to participating in a jubilant hora to usher Rabbi Kurshan and Alisa into the next phase of their lives.

And no ... Marie Antoinette did not design the menu ...it ain't just cake. Let the white gloved waiters with silver trays pamper you as they offer you delicate mini pastries and tarts and chocolate dipped fruits and truffles. Wander over to the open bar for some first rate Kosher wines and visit the beautiful

barside buffet for the vegetable crudités and potpourri of terra chips. Do not miss filling your real china plates at the exotic fresh fruit table. Not convinced to bring your appetite yet? OK ... we can drop a few more hints but won't share ALL the surprises on the menu. Check out the International Cheese Board, the baked brie carving station with assorted fresh fruit preserves or try some of the yummy warm goat cheese on toasted baguettes with spicy pear chutney.

Many congregants have asked me whether the \$54 cost of the event includes fundraising for HJC. I can tell you unequivocally "NO" ... in fact, HJC is subsidizing this event so we can guarantee a special sendoff for Rabbi and Alisa and a memorable moment to help us all transition into the next phase of our lives at HJC. We all need to be together to mark this significant crossroad so please do not miss this lovely evening and ... RSVP TODAY! You will be so glad that you did.



Not Just Our Days Are Numbered

by Hazzan Israel Gordan



The period of time from Passover to Shavuot is known as “Sefirat HaOmer,” where we count the seven weeks that tie the two holidays together. In the Torah, this season in the calendar was all about the harvest and bringing a daily offering to the Temple. Later in the tradition, the omer was also seen as a way to connect Passover with Shavuot, marking the transition not only from slavery to freedom, but from freedom to revelation. And with the Torah, a guide for our people

to make it to the promised land and live as an independent nation in its own land.

In contemporary times, much has been made about numbering our days. This is an attempt to be more cognizant of the miracle of life and the temporary nature of all things around us, including ourselves, that will hopefully lead to a greater sense of wonder and gratitude. During the omer, we celebrate not only the beginnings of two Jewish months and Lag BaOmer, but also Yom HaShoah, Yom HaZikaron, Yom Ha’Atzma-ut, and Yom Yerushalayim. We are not counting down as a way to pass the time until Shavuot, but counting up, and adding to the blessings and miracles in our personal and collective lives.

This year, however, I have noticed that it is not just our days that our numbered in this period of the year. Of course, we are celebrating the retirement of Rabbi Kurshan after 31 years of service to the Huntington Jewish Center. I recently received an invitation to my 15th college reunion. This summer I will be celebrating my tenth wedding anniversary. Shortly after that will mark five years of having worked at HJC. These milestones all happen to be nice, round numbers, making them all the more significant markers in a life lived.

It is easy to focus on the “big” dates in life, especially as we approach graduation season. When I was in college, I remember my experience at school being bookended by the Convocation for Columbia College at the beginning and Columbia College Class Day at the end, as the only two times the entire class was officially brought together. While these were unique and exciting experiences, I would argue, however, that what happened in between was far more significant.

So as we count the omer, remember that it is the individual days that make up a meaningful life. And as we celebrate the rabbi’s retirement with a series of events, it is not the events themselves that are important, but the 31 years of work and service they represent. All of the Shabbatot, holidays, celebrations, funerals, and events, but also the everyday workings, the passing in the hallway, the chance encounters, and the casual conversations, that have helped to create a remarkable career for a remarkable man.

I hope that we can look back at this moment in the life of our community being grateful for Rabbi Kurshan’s remarkable service, proud of how we have honored him, and hopeful for his future, for our future, and for our community’s future.

Religious School Update

by Maxine Fisher

Religious School Administrator

Well summers almost here and by the time you read this, religious school should be over for the year. One of the reasons I love the summer is that I get to recharge myself for the next year.

Next year we have some new programming for the school and with the help of Cantor Gordan along with Felicia Messing and Sheri Bram we have a great year planned.

I would like to thank Felicia and Sheri for their help and support they give to me and the school. Also, we have a wonderful school committee who I also want to thank. If you are interested in joining our school committee for next year please let me know.

So, let me remind you that the last day of school is Tuesday, June 7th and academic awards are on Sunday, June 12th. We will let you know who is receiving awards

Religious School begins on Sunday, September 11th. Check your mail in August for all the info.

Have a great summer!!

Maxine



Early Childhood News

by Ilene Brown



"Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see."

Mark Twain

This year we have taken our random acts of kindness to a new level. The children and teachers have raised money and purchased much needed supplies for the local Head Start program, collected over 100 books and toys for Cohen's Children's Hospital, baked and hand delivered trays of brownies to eight local fire

departments and visited and performed at the Atria Senior Center.

On May 11, at 9:30 am we conducted our largest and most meaningful fundraiser yet. Two of our teachers have a personal connection with the organization Whip Pediatric Cancer, which is affiliated with Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. One of their past students recently created this organization in honor of her mother who was suffering from a rare form of bone cancer while she was a parent in their class. Whip Pediatric Cancer has adopted the theme song, "Watch Me Whip/Whip the Nae Nae." Children and adults are dancing to this song in order to raise money for Whip Pediatric Cancer. As part of our Pay it Forward/Random Acts of Kindness, we did the same. The children and staff of the ECC have learned the dance and song and have been practicing for weeks. All family members were invited on May 11, to join their children in dancing to "Watch Me Whip" and to bring any amount of money to donate to Whip Pediatric Cancer. The ECC raised over \$1100 for this worthy cause! It was an amazing event where children and their families were helping other children. There was an overwhelming sense of community among everyone.

I am so proud to be a part of this outstanding and generous community. Please see our Facebook page for News 12 coverage of our event!



Spotlight on...

For more information about the Storytelling Project or to get involved, please contact:
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Charlotte Rosen

Charlotte Rosen grew up in Hamburg, Germany, the second largest city in Germany after Berlin. Charlotte described life there “as if you were living in Brooklyn,

in a nice section.” Her mother was a teacher and her father was a businessman; life as a young child was good. She grew up as an only child, much like myself, until Hitler banned all Jews from teaching in public schools, putting her mother out of a job. Since Charlotte’s parents then had more time at home they decided to have another child - Charlotte’s little sister. Charlotte’s parents made every effort to escape Germany because the hatred and violence towards the Jewish community was getting out of control. They were lucky to have someone sponsor them (in order to get out of Germany during World War II you needed a sponsor) and get them out of the country. Charlotte arrived in the United States in her teen years and adjusted slowly to the new life. She explained that it was very different in America because “young people here are already more... more grownup.” Charlotte’s parents were running low on money, so during her high school years, she had to balance school and work. She had many jobs that lead her to become an accountant. Charlotte married a young man who went to high school with her by the name of Albert. For two years Albert fought in the US Army during WW II. When he returned from the war, Albert got his college degree in education and became a teacher. Charlotte and Albert settled in a little town in Delaware, where they had their three children. They lived in Delaware for about six years, until they moved here to Huntington when Albert was offered another teaching job. Charlotte’s children were raised here, but Charlotte

was not a member of HJC quite yet. She and her family were members of South Huntington Jewish Center. After Charlotte’s children were grown and moved away, she and her husband went to a new temple in Riverhead to see their two children and their grandchildren who were living there. As time passed, the commute to Riverhead became difficult, so Charlotte and Albert started to come to Huntington Jewish Center. Ever since Charlotte started coming to HJC, members began to see her almost every Friday evening at Shabbat services.

During our conversation we spoke of our own interests and hobbies, and we found that we both enjoy the opera. Charlotte told me of how she used to go to an opera every week on Saturday nights. Her face lit up as she told me every detail of her experiences that she and Albert shared together. “It was quite something,” Charlotte said with a smile on her face. Charlotte says that her passion is to do things for other people. She also told me she is a passionate bridge player; but she says that the most important thing is to involve yourself with the people around you rather than the cards.

I wasn’t excited to wake up to go interview a person whom I had never met before, but I can honestly say that after this experience, I felt enlightened and I made a new friend in the process. Charlotte is one of the nicest, kindest, and most fun people I know, and I am so glad that I got to sit down and speak with her.

Interview by Faith Zimmerman

JNN News

The Jewish Nutritional Network needs volunteers to deliver meals to several locations in our area. We are preparing meals for three motels, two after school programs to students who’s families are at risk and a Huntington homeless shelter. The volunteers of the JNN prepare 300 meals every Sunday. Please consider delivering to one of these locations and or volunteering in the kitchen. We meet every Sunday in the dairy kitchen at 8:30am.

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Members of the congregation present Divrei Torah on Shabbat morning and services are more informal than during the rest of the year. Please join us during the summer.