

HUNTINGTON JEWISH CENTER

NEWS / COMMUNITY / CONNECTION

ROOTS OF PEACE at HJC

In the West Bank Palestinians and Israelis live in separate universes without real human contact. Now ROOTS is changing that reality. Fostering a grassroots movement of understanding, nonviolence, and transformation among Israelis and Palestinians.



Shadi Abu Awwad, the Roots Palestinian youth director, and **Rabbi Hanan Schlesinger**, one of the founders of Roots, shared their personal, interconnected stories and presented the groundbreaking grassroots work of their initiative.

On Sunday November 4, about 100 people were witness to a very unusual presentation.

Both Rabbi Hanan Schlesinger a resident of Gush Etzion, an Israeli village in the West Bank, and Shadi Abu Awaad, a resident of a Palestinian village in the West Bank, shared their experience of getting past fear and stereotypes, and meeting and dialoguing with their neighbors. Rabbi Schlesinger, one of the founders, explained how the origins of ROOTS evolved. He shared that life previously involved no interaction between the Israeli settlers and Palestinian neighbors. Each was thought of and treated as "the other".



Shadi Abu Awwad, the Palestinian youth director of ROOTS, shared his personal experience of how this lack of interaction had lead to deep, and even dangerous fear. He described how this fear of the other could easily contribute to injury and death as the escalating fear can

spur acts of violence on either side. He also shared how he began to overcome his fear, appreciate the humanity in the Israelis, and participate in this initiative to foster understanding through dialogue and joint initiatives. Each spoke about both sides' claims to the land, and how the opportunity for dialogue is fostering understanding.

The response of those present was enthusiastic as they listened with rapt attention. It was a rare experience to hear the journeys of these two remarkable men, each clinging to their own narratives but doing what is necessary.



This Brunch and Learn presentation of ROOTS FOR PEACE was a joint undertaking of HJC Israel Committee and Dix Hills Jewish Center Israel Committee.



Sisterhood News

by Evelyn Abraham

PAID UP MEMBERSHIP

85 new and old members enjoyed an evening of food, good company and a discussion on myth busting nutrition led by Rachel Saks.

Our 2018 -2019 Woman of Achievement, Marilyn Klein was presented with a certificate and the 5779 Torah Fund pin.

MEMBERSHIP

Join Us and Support the Sisterhood of HJC

New members to HJC receive a complimentary Sisterhood membership for their first year. It is not too late to return the Membership Dues Letter. Checks are payable to:

Sisterhood of the Huntington Jewish Center.

\$45 regular membership

\$40 Z'havah

\$30 senior membership

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are always looking for help with Extended Kiddushes, Programming and Fund-Raising. It is an opportunity to make new friends and reconnect with old ones. Please contact Evelyn Abraham if you are interested.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Game Night – December 13th 7:30 PM– Mah Jongg, Bridge or bring your own games.

Z'havah Challah Braiding – December 16th Noon – Families will be learning how to make and braid challah. Dough and recipe will be provided.

FUNDRAISER FOR CULINARY LEGACY COOKBOOK

Aprons and Grocery Bags with the Cookbook logo can be purchased to support funding for the publication of the cookbook.

JUDAICA SHOP OPEN ALL YEAR ROUND FOR YOUR HOLIDAY AND SIMCHA NEEDS

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DECEMBER 2018

KISLEV-TEVET 5779

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1/23 Kislev Jr Congregation-10:30am <i>Vayeshev</i>
2/24 Kislev JNN RS/Kadima/USY Camp Fair-11:00am Hanukkah Happening <i>Erev Hanukkah</i>	3/25 Kislev Hanukkah	4/26 Kislev RS/Chaverim Community Candle-lighting-6:00pm Hanukkah	5/27 Kislev Mid-Week Manna-9:30am, 1:00pm & 8:00pm Hanukkah	6/28 Kislev Hanukkah	7/29 Kislev Minyan Breakfast-8:00am Hanukkah	8/30 Kislev Maya Sakallarios Bat Mitzvah ECC Havdalah Dinner Rosh Chodesh/Hanukkah <i>Miketz</i>
9/1 Tevet JNN Kadima/USY/ RS/RS Board Meeting Gimel-Daled Workshop Maya Sakallarios Bat Mitzvah Hanukkah	10/2 Tevet SH Board Mtg-8:00pm Hanukkah	11/3 Tevet RS/Chaverim	12/4 Tevet Mid-Week Manna-9:30am & 1:00pm HIHI-6:00pm EC Meeting-7:30pm	13/5 Tevet SH Game Night-7:30pm	14/6 Tevet Family Friday Night Jr Congregation	15/7 Tevet <i>Vayigash</i>
16/8 Tevet JNN RS/Vav 3 MC Meeting-9:45am Challah Braiding Workshop Ridotto-4:00pm	17/9 Tevet	18/10 Tevet RS Fast of 10th of Tevet	19/11 Tevet Mid-Week Manna-9:30am & 1:00pm HIHI-6:00pm Board Meeting-8:00pm	20/12 Tevet Inclusion Committee Meeting-7:30pm	21/13 Tevet	22/14 Tevet <i>Veyechi</i>
23/15 Tevet JNN RS Closed thru 1/8/19	24/16 Tevet ECC Closed thru 1/2/19	25/17 Tevet Main Office Closed	26/18 Tevet HIHI-6:00pm	27/19 Tevet	28/20 Tevet	29/21 Tevet <i>Shemot</i>
30/22 Tevet JNN	31/23 Tevet	Christmas Day				

JANUARY 2019

TEVET-SHEVAT 5779

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1/24 Tevet ECC/Main Office Closed New Year's Day	2/25 Tevet ECC Re-Opens	3/26 Tevet SH Game Night - 7:30pm	4/27 Tevet Minyan Breakfast - 8:00am	5/28 Tevet Jr Congregation 10:30am <i>Va'era</i>
6/29 Tevet JNN RS/USY/Kadima Ridotto - 4:00pm	7/1 Shevat SH Board Mtg- 8:00pm Rosh Chodesh	8/2 Shevat RS/Chaverim	9/3 Shevat HIHI - 6:00pm EC Meeting - 7:30pm	10/4 Shevat	11/5 Shevat	12/6 Shevat Samuel Sosnick Bar Mitzvah Bo
13/7 Shevat JNN RS/Vav 4 Parent-Teacher Conf Gan-Alef/Kadima/USY MC Meeting	14/8 Shevat	15/9 Shevat RS Parent-Teacher Conf Bet/Vav	16/10 Shevat HIHI - 6:00pm Board Meeting - 8:00pm	17/11 Shevat SH Book Discussion 12:00 noon	18/12 Shevat	19/13 Shevat 50's Dance - Enchantment Under The Sea Beshalach
20/14 Shevat JNN RS Closed	21/15 Shevat ECC/Main Office Closed Martin Luther King Day Tu B'Shevat	22/16 Shevat SH/RS Tu B'Shevat Seders/Chaverim Set Design for Theater Begins	23/17 Shevat	24/18 Shevat SH Game Night - 7:30pm	25/19 Shevat	26/20 Shevat Jr Congregation 10:30am Yitro
27/21 Shevat JNN/RS/RS Board Mtg Shema Bedtime Wrkshp USY/Kadima Ridotto - 4:00pm SH Dinner/Movie	28/22 Shevat Parents Bar/Bat Mitzvah Meeting - 8:00pm	29/23 Shevat	30/24 Shevat	31/25 Shevat		

From Rabbi Ari Saks



Our Struggle: To Listen Until It Hurts

It's disarming to listen to Rabbi Hanan Schlesinger and Shadi Abu-Awaad share their stories, as they did on November 4th during our Israel Committee's "Roots of Peace" event. It's disarming because their stories are not what we expect to hear from an orthodox Jewish settler (Schlesinger) and a Palestinian activist (Awaad). Nor are their stories

testaments of betrayal in which they renounce their affiliation to the settler movement on one side, or Palestinian resistance on the other side. Instead we heard stories that were powerful, painful, and provocative, including...

- ~ How Rabbi Schlesinger left home one evening to visit a Palestinian for the first time in his life, wondering (along with his wife) if he'd return home alive;
- ~ How Rabbi Schlesinger met a Palestinian wearing a shirt that said "Seeds of Peace" assuming someone else gave it to him because "how could Palestinians know about peace?" And yet from that encounter Rabbi Schlesinger discovered that there were Palestinians who cared about peace;
- ~ How Shadi's father convinced his family to bring a wounded family member to Hadassah Ein Kerem even though their Palestinian doctor said "why would you kill him again by bringing him to a Jewish doctor?" And yet the Jewish doctors at Ein Kerem not only saved Shadi's family member, but they also proved to him that Jews could be real human beings too;
- ~ How Shadi brings Israeli and Palestinian teenagers to talk openly and honestly together before they see each other with guns and rocks in their hands.

These (among other) stories they shared were so powerful that they captivated our attention for the entire two-hour program; so painful because they underscored how difficult it is to challenge the myths that form our identities; and so provocative because they outlined the long road ahead to reach reconciliation in this precious land in the Middle East we all call home. In an environ-

ment in which we arm ourselves by quickly laying fault with the other side, the only way to disarm our expectations, stereotypes, and pre-conceived notions is to implement the lesson at the core of the stories Rabbi Schlesinger and Shadi Abu-Awaad shared with us, namely that our struggle moving forward is predicated on "listening until it hurts."

One of the most famous struggles in our tradition is the one between our forefather Jacob and an angel (Gen. 32). In this struggle, "one could not prevail against the other" (כי לא יכול הוא) (32:25). According to the medieval commentator Abarbanel (1437-1508, Portugal/Spain), this meant that the angel was "unable to cause [the other] to fall to the ground with his own strength" (בעצמה שלא יכול עם יעקב להפילו ארצה). What's more, Rashi (1040-1105, France) understands the word "struggle/wrestle" (אבק) (32:25) to be based off of the Aramaic definition meaning "he fastened himself on" (בתר דאביקו ביה). Taken together, this teaches us that Jacob and the angel could not defeat one another yet could not let go of the other as well. They were locked in a struggle that would have endured for eternity, until the angel asked Jacob to free himself from him (32:27). In that moment, the angel turned a struggle to prove one's strength over the other into a request for a relationship in which both parties could not entangle themselves from one another without the help of the other.

Likewise we find ourselves caught in eternal struggles, whether it's in Israel or here in America, in which we can neither cause the other to fall to the ground nor release ourselves from their grip. We must not only understand why their views are different than ours but how our views (and theirs) have been shaped by tightening our grip on the other. The only way to move forward in any kind of serious conflict is to open a relationship that accepts the other's "grip" on us as representing a truth that is hard to hear but requires us and them to listen, even though it will hurt. One party cannot "listen till it hurts," both need to do so. What Rabbi Schlesinger and Shadi Abu-Awaad showed us is that everyone can listen till it hurts, but it requires patience and a willingness to struggle. Yet, if we succeed, if all of us can disarm our fear of vulnerability and have the courage to listen, then like our forefather earned after struggling with the angel, we will merit the name "Yisrael," the one who struggles with God.

Hospital, Rehab & Home Visits With Rabbi Saks

Are you sick or recuperating from an illness?

Would you like Rabbi Saks to visit you, a family member, or a friend (from the congregation) in the hospital, rehab center or at home?

Rabbi will be available for visits on Wednesday mornings.

Please contact Debbie in the Main Office by 3:00 pm on Tuesday if you would like to be visited the next day.

From Hazzan Israel Gordan



Year in Review

Well, here we are. It's December again and another year is coming to a close. This past fall has felt especially quick because almost every week had something in it: Labor Day, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah, and Columbus Day. We then had two full weeks before Halloween, Election Day, Veterans Day, and Thanksgiving. Another full week will be followed by Hanukkah and everything else that the end of the year tries to pack in before we flip the calendar to 2019. Out of breath yet? If not, you will be soon.

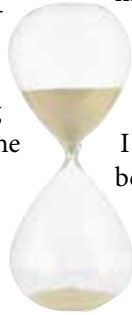
We like to think of time as a fixed unit of measurement: 60 seconds in a minute, 60 minutes in an hour, etc. But that's not true. And it's not just our perception of time, it's our experience of it. As we get older, time really does go by faster. When you're young, 3rd grade is followed by 4th grade, followed by 5th, and it seems as if the years crawl by. Never getting older or growing up in any noticeable way. When you're older and you see a neighbor's child, it seems like yesterday that she was born; wasn't it this morning that she started Kindergarten? Is she driving now? Leaving for college tomorrow? Have I been aging this whole time? The truth is, yes, but in a different way.

Not all of these differences in time have to do with age, however; our perspective alters time immensely. On the high holidays, leading from the bimah, five hours flies by. Occupied by the excitement and concerns of what's happening and what comes next, services are over before I know it. I have a feeling the same is not true for everyone in the pews. Even when two people watch the same

movie together, one could be bored while the other is completely enthralled and the experience of that passage of time is completely different for the two.

We hear all sorts of aphorisms about time: how it flies when you're having fun; how we should live each day as if it is our last; or how we shouldn't put off until tomorrow what we can do today. Few would argue about the truth of these statements, but it doesn't make them any easier to live by. How can we take this moment at the end of 2018 to prepare for 2019? What meaningful resolutions could we make that we can have a chance of sticking to in order to improve our lives?

I would argue that, like most things, it's most important to be able to hold opposing feelings in tension and to attempt to live in the balance. We need to be cognizant of the passage of time and aware of the preciousness of life. But we also have to remember that there is also the idea that you shouldn't put off until tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow. Some days aren't meant to be productive. And what might be seen as a "waste of time" may be a great use of time and make us more productive later. Or not. But I would like to close by saying that time spent with friends, is almost always, time well spent. May we spend more time together at the end of this year and in the new one!



Calling all babysitters!

Please email your current information if you would like it to be included in the bulletin on a monthly basis.

Email your updated information to
hjcbulletin@gmail.com.

Please include your current home and cell numbers.

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HJC Community Candle Lighting

Tuesday, December 4
6:00 pm



Join with the HJC Community at the chanukiah
in front of HJC.

**Add to the joy and light of Chanukah by celebrating
with the HJC community!**

**Everyone is invited to come inside afterwards
for hot cocoa and donuts.**
(Courtesy of Sisterhood)

All are welcome!



Chanukah Then and Now

Who would have imagined that when I wrote my Bulletin article last month about gratitude, citing Mr. Fred Rogers, that the area that was Mr. Rogers neighborhood was the site of the unspeakable tragedy in Pittsburgh. We are still absorbing the reality of what happened to the lives of eleven Jews and their families, the continued acts of anti-Semitism and hate, the catastrophic fires in California and the unrelenting rocket fire that is impacting our brothers and sisters in Israel.

A world spinning out of control, ripe for re-dedication to ethics and justice, is clearly a metaphor for our Chanukah holiday. Inspired by Mattathias and the five Maccabee brothers standing up for what they believed in and refusing to act against their beliefs, their boldness is an example of how one individual can make a statement and lead others to do the same, even if it requires struggle and sacrifice. The strength and success of the Jewish people against the mighty Greco-Syrian army came from working and planning together to preserve religious freedom. The strength of the Jewish people through the ages was derived from the family unit working together, planning together, and enjoying each other's company. It is appropriate, therefore, that we emphasize the family and community and their interrelatedness during Chanukah.

Apropos of the Chanukah story and how we reflect on our own family's stories to inspire and teach our Jewish values, last year was extra special for my family and me. Our nephew who had just completed his service in the Israeli army blessed us with a visit. He came to New York on Thanksgiving Day and returned to Israel after we lit candles on the second night of Chanukah. Our visit together during this significant time, combined with his experiences in the IDF for three years, especially during the summer war in Gaza, symbolized the most important concepts and values of Chanukah - bravery, courage, overcoming obstacles, light from darkness, re-dedication, and miracles. We tell our young children and grandchildren that when they light the Chanukiah, it is important to remember that a long time ago the brave Judah Maccabee and his soldiers fought very hard so that the Jewish people would be free again. It was a special moment when my granddaughter, Orli, told her cousin that he was just like a Maccabee. It was a beautiful moment for our family, and we felt blessed that my nephew had greatly enriched our Chanukah experience in such a significant way and that he could receive such a genuine blessing from his young cousin.

Fire has its light and dark sides all around the world, and as we come together to be embraced by the warmth and light of Chanukah, we will be reminded of the many ways we work together as a Huntington Jewish Center community to illuminate our cold, dark days with the warmth of our families, friends and community. In tribute to Mr. Rogers: "When I was a child and would see scary things on the news, my mother would say to me, 'Look for the helpers.' You will always find people who are helping." And so we move forward in memory of Mr. Rogers and look for the helpers. Here are some ways you can

provide lasting Chanukah memories for the whole family:

- Join your HJC family for the Chanukah Happening and Camp Fair on Sunday, December 2 at 11:00 AM.
- Join together at HJC on Tuesday, December 4 for a Community Candle-Lighting at 6:00 PM.
- Attend morning Minyan during Chanukah
- Spend Havdalah at HJC with young children on Saturday, December 8.
- Spend a Sunday morning in the kitchen making food for the Jewish Nutrition Network (JNN).
- Share the excitement of our HJC theater production, *Damn Yankees*, and volunteer for acting, lighting, sound crew, set design, prop directors, musicians, costume, makeup or hair artists, publicity, fundraisers, ushers and more.
- Invite another family to your home to share the holiday celebration.
- Ask your children to perform an imaginary Chanukah play for you.
- Sing together all the holiday songs you can remember.
- Give gifts, food, or other items to needy children and families.
- Bake Chanukah cookies and take them to a home for elderly adults.
- Visit a library or bookstore, and everyone in the family checks out or buys a book for a member of the family.
- Donate old blankets, clothes and toys to a shelter for homeless people.
- Encourage children to donate money for Tzedakah. The children can make a Tzedakah box into which the family can contribute money each night of Chanukah. The family can share their ideas about where the money should go.

When we put the Torah back into the Ark each Shabbat, we sing, "Etz Chayim Hi - It is a Tree of Life: It is a Tree of Life for those who cling to it, and those who uphold it are happy. Its ways are pleasant, and all its paths peaceful. Return us to you, G-d, so that we shall return, renew our days as of old." With prayers of comfort for the families who are mourning, healing for those who are injured at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, and those suffering from the fires and other tragedies, I wish you a light-filled Chanukah. May you enjoy all the miracles in your life and look forward to a new year, illuminated with happiness, good health, gratitude and blessings.

Chag Urim Sameach
Happy Chanukah.



SAVE THE DATE!

Important Bar/Bar Mitzvah Meeting
For all 2020 Bar/Bat Mitzvah Parents

Tuesday, January 29, 2019
8:00 pm ~ Family Life Center

Rabbi, Cantor, Ritual Committee & Sisterhood will be
present
to review all details of your simcha



"If you can be anything, be kind."

Need a Buddy?

A "Buddy Bench", also known as a Friendship Bench, is a bench where children who are lonely or need someone to talk to can go. When a child feels the need for a friend to talk to or someone to play with he or she can show this by using the buddy bench.

Other children and staff

will observe this as a sign that some help, support or a friend is needed and will come to talk with the child.

In our early childhood center we focus on character development as well as social, emotional, and academic curriculum. We are constantly looking for ways to encourage and role model kindness. The Buddy Bench seemed like the perfect way to create an environment of kindness, acceptance, and love, on our playground.

The Parent Association purchased this Buddy Bench on behalf of the ECC families in memory of Miss Leslie's daughter, Samantha Beth Freidman. Samantha was a shining light for all those who were blessed to know her. Sam was the definition of the word "friend." She was always there for her friends despite all of the tremendous challenges she faced in her heroic battle with brain cancer for over three years. Samantha continued to put others needs above her own while fighting and struggling with this illness. Samantha never let cancer define her and every minute of her life was spent being brave, being positive, being kind and being a friend.

The Buddy Bench was an incredible community effort. The ECC parents, myself, the teachers, and every child had a hand in creating and decorating this beautiful gift. The children's fingerprints were used

to form the pink hearts on the bench and serve as a commitment to be a good and kind friend. If you ever need a friend, now you have a place to go. The buddy bench aptly reads, "Be Kind, Be Brave, Be Positive. Sam's Buddy Bench."





My Favorite Veteran

Since I am writing this article on Veterans Day, I thought I would write about one of my favorite Veterans, my husband Rob.

In 1973 Rob did not, like many in their early 20's know what he really wanted to do with his life. He decided to fol-

low in the steps of his brother Chuck and join the Navy. Unusual for a Jew to enlist especially when the Vietnam war was still ongoing.

Rob went to boot camp in Orlando, Florida and when he was finished came home for a week which was when we met at a mutual friends house (we actually know each other since we were 15 but that is another whole story).

Rob was sent to New London, Connecticut for submarine training. By this time we were in a serious relationship and the thought of him going away for 6 months at a time was very uneasy for both of us, especially Rob not wanting to be confined to a sub

for long periods of time. Luckily, he was able to get transferred to Norfolk, Virginia to the USS Albany a CG10 (cruiser guided missile) where he was a yeoman for the Captain and the chief engineer of the ship.

He traveled to many ports such as Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and the North Atlantic. He would try to come home every weekend when the ship was in port and he loved when my mother would send him back with lots of food for the trip. Rob was the only Jew on the ship of 1000 sailors.

He was honorably discharged in 1976 right before the ship was moving to a new home port in Italy.

Now Rob wears a hat with the USS Albany on it and wherever we go people stop him to thank him for his service. It is quite amazing how many conversations are started by his hat! I told him he should write a book of all the interesting conversations from other veterans comparing sto-

ries to parents with kids explaining what a veteran is.

Happy Veterans Day to all who served our country with pride!!



This winter, HJC will again participate in the HHI program

HHI stands for **Huntington Interfaith Homeless Initiative** which is a Family Service League program.

From December 1 until March 31, different congregations in the Huntington area provide shelter, food and clothing for a group of homeless men. This year, we will be hosting for 8 nights. There are many different types of volunteer activities for adults and children 5th grade and older. If you are interested or want to learn more about this wonderful program, please contact:

Ellen Steinberg: ellen.steinberg728@gmail.com or **Karen Flanzenbaum:** kflanzenbaumlaw@gmail.com

We will be hosting on the following nights (Wednesdays except where indicated)

December 12, 19, January 9, 16, March 13, 21 (Thursday), 27.

Donations of gently used men's jeans, sweatshirts, coats, hats, gloves, scarves and warm long-sleeved shirts are greatly appreciated. Other needed items include new socks, boxers and T-shirts.



Saving Franklin

Though we may not realize, our lives are full of mitzvahs; little random acts of kindness initiated with barely a thought and carried out with barely a glance. Last month I did a mitzvah for a most unusual fellow. Unassuming and somewhat aloof, he never had any idea of my good deed. And although the mitzvah had its own reward, it was doing it with a complete

stranger that made all the difference to me.

I love animals. All kinds. I think they are fascinating, magical, beautiful wonders of nature and I cannot imagine my life or a world without them. So when a call came to my desk that a dog was running loose outside the synagogue, I got excited! Someone hadn't passed away or wasn't behind on their membership payment. There wasn't a clogged toilet or a stained ceiling tile. It was a dog! I grabbed my keys and headed for the back kitchen door to get a peek at our little four-legged trespasser.

There was Franklin. He looked like a cross between a yellow lab and a beagle. Short and squat, he moved with the stealth of a gazelle. He wore a collar with tags so I knew he had a home, which was probably one of our neighbor's right around the corner. I enthusiastically called out "here boy". I pursed my lips and made a kissing sound. I whistled at him. I clapped my hands to get his attention. Nothing. He was completely ignoring me. Now, I'm thinking, maybe he's deaf. Obviously he can't hear me because he's not responding. And it seemed like the more I called to him, the faster he began to run (in the opposite direction!).

Fortunately, the synagogue sits on a big piece of property. Lots of yard space for rogue dog to ramble. Unfortunately, we are surrounded by an active parking lot and Park Avenue, on which hundreds of vehicles are travelling. Lots of opportunity for a cavorting canine to get hit. I was starting to get concerned; if Frank couldn't hear me, maybe he wouldn't hear an oncoming car either. Or maybe I'm doing more harm than good by chasing him and I should just let him be. He

wasn't menacing and didn't seem like a bad dog; he was free, enjoying a little jaunt around the neighborhood on a beautiful fall day. I followed him halfway around the building past the Social Hall, towards the front parking lot. Finally, I realized my efforts are futile; he has four legs, I only have two. I turned around and headed back inside.

As I was walking from the rear entrance through the Kiddush Lounge towards the Main Office I thought . . . let me just stick my head out the front door to see if he is still outside. He was. And now he had also captured the attention Anthony, a young passerby. By this time Anthony had all but abandoned his car on Leslie Lane and was shoofing Frank out of the road. He tried desperately to capture him but each time he went to grab him, Frank was just out of his reach. I had to laugh to myself. Now this chubby little runaway had two crazy animal lovers in pursuit.

Anthony and I had never met but we quickly coordinated a capture plan like we were comrades on an elite SWAT team. Bound in purpose and driven to succeed by our mutual concern for the safety of this carefree pup, I became the brains of the operation and he became the muscle. And muscle we needed. After 5 minutes of pursuit, Anthony, sweating and completely out of breath, finally corralled Frank in the northwest corner of the rear parking. He grabbed him by the collar and picked him up with me, all the while, clapping, yelling and giving a big thumbs up.

Complete strangers less than 10 minutes ago, Anthony and I were now a successful rescue team. Exhausted but exhilarated, we joined together to save this little troublemaker from harm's way. As we walked back through the synagogue to the Main Office to call Franklin's mommy, he was calm and contented, oblivious to the ruckus he just caused. And although it should have been an important teaching moment for Franklin, it was a special learning moment for me.

Common goals and passion join people together regardless of their sex, age, race or religion. I know it in theory but appreciate it so much more in practice. I possibly saved a life that day and although it wasn't a human life, it was a life that was loved and valued by a human family. And when I couldn't do it by myself, there was someone there to do it with me. And that, as they say, made all the difference.

~People of the Book~ Ben Tasman Library

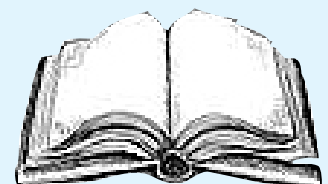
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a perfect time to visit the library here at HJC. Enlarged fiction section with new books as well as so many older wonderful standards. If you are working on Modern Hebrew with Rabbi Saks, you will find copies of The Jerusalem Post, currently available for your use – but only in the library.

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Spotlight On...

Joel and Barbara Kuppersmith

The Kuppersmiths have a strong sense of connection with Jewish life and a deep feeling of belonging to our HJC family.

Joel and Barbara both describe very positive Jewish experiences in their lives before coming to HJC. They grew up in homes with similar Conservative Jewish practices and involvement in synagogue life; Joel's family at the Kew Gardens Hills Jewish Center and Barbara's at the Jericho Jewish Center. They met at the Stevensville Hotel in the Catskills, were married at the Sephardic Temple in North Woodmere in 1973, and have been married for 45 years. For 32 of those years they have been members of HJC.

While Joel was working on his Ph.D. at the University of Mississippi and Barbara was teaching elementary school, they traveled 90 miles to Memphis to attend synagogue on the High Holidays. They recall feeling genuine warmth from this welcoming community of southern Jews who made comfortable arrangements for them to spend the night in the synagogue on Kol Nidre so they wouldn't have to drive home and return the next day.

When Joel completed his degree, they returned to the Northeast and lived in New Jersey while Joel completed his internship at Downstate Medical Center and South Beach Psychiatric Center. Upon completion of his internship, they moved to Northport, where they lived for the next five years while Joel worked at Kings Park Psychiatric Center and started his private practice. Their older son, Robert, was born while they lived in Northport. Joel and Barbara spent holidays with their parents and attended services at their parents' synagogues during that time.

In the early 1980's, they moved to Lloyd Harbor, nearer to Joel's private practice in Huntington. When their younger son, David, was born, Barbara became involved with a small group of Jewish women who organized a playgroup for themselves and their babies. This group grew to nearly 20 moms and children. Although none were then members of HJC, they were able to arrange a room in the synagogue to meet. When their children became 2 years old, most of them attended the HJC nursery school, where Susie Meisler had just become the ECC Director. The Kuppersmiths have remained close friends with many families from this group. Shortly thereafter, they became members of HJC and Robert began attending the HJC religious school.

Barbara's first "official act" of volunteerism at HJC was an effort to

increase involvement of younger families in synagogue activities. She was active on the religious school board, where she sat on the Restructuring committee, organized a special Grandparents Shabbat, and was part of the welcoming committee, bringing Shabbat baskets to new members. She was also on the religious school search committee and, when her boys were attending Hebrew High at South Huntington Jewish Center, she served as the liaison between the HJC religious school and the Hebrew High School. Barbara also served on the committees that organized events to honor the Kurshans upon their 13th and 25th anniversaries at HJC. She also served on the Nursery School search committee to select the new director of Early Childhood.

The Kuppersmiths have celebrated many lifecycle moments at HJC.

Barbara attended Rabbi Kurshan's adult education classes for women and had her Bat Mitzvah at HJC. Both Robert and David became B'nai Mitzvot. Rabbi Kurshan performed the weddings for Robert and Alyssa, who now live in Roslyn, NY; and David and Jessica who reside in Colorado. Barbara and Joel are blessed with three beautiful grandchildren, Zachary, Reese and Spencer. The Kuppersmith family have visited Israel on several occasions, skied almost every mountain out west, as well as Canada and Switzerland.

Joel's gateway to becoming active at HJC was the morning minyan. He responded to Rabbi Kurshan's request for increased participation to help make the morning minyan. This request touched a chord with Joel, who vividly recalled the men of the minyan coming to his home when he sat shiva for his mother. In addition to attending morning minyan for the past 27 years and being named Minyannaire of the year, Joel sat for a term on the HJC

Board of Trustees. He was the Kol Nidre Chair, as well as the Simchat Torah honoree. Joel also co-chaired the rabbi search committee that brought us Rabbi Saks. Although having served all of these valuable functions over the years, the one service to HJC that stands out is that Joel was the High Holidays honors chairperson for 17 years.

Barbara and Joel have fond feelings for the many relationships they have formed within the HJC family. They affectionately remember all of the "family members" lost over the years and greatly appreciate those who are still present in their lives...and we appreciate them in return for all they contribute to our community.

Narrative compiled by Lesley DeLia-Stark, Barbara and Joel Kuppersmith



ALL MEMBERS WELCOME!

Please join us at the Chai Club on the first Wednesday of every month, at 2:00 pm. Activities include; a book discussion, game event, feature film, slideshows for interesting countries, a lecture on Israeli issues, a combined event with Temple Beth El and much more.

Non-members also welcome. Roz Haber and Ellen Kahn, Club Co-Chairs.

Kindling the Chanukah Lights: Beginning Sunday evening, December 2



This year (2018), we begin lighting candles **on Sunday night, December 2** and we light the last candle **on the night of December 9**.

Remember to put the first candle on the rightmost holder of your Chanukiyah and add candles from right to left each night. Then light the Shamash and begin lighting the newest candle first (the one on the left) while saying or singing the blessings below. **On the Shabbat night of Chanukah, light the Chanukah candles first and then the Shabbat candles.**

First Blessing

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם
אשר קדשנו במצותיו וצונו להדליק
נר של חנוכה.

Baruch atah adonai eloheinu melech ha-olam, asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu l'hadlik ner shel chanukah.

Blessed our God, ruler of the universe, by whose mitzvot we are sanctified and who commands us to kindle the lights of Chanukah

Second Blessing

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם
שעשה נסים לאבותינו
בימים ההם בזמן הזה.

Baruch atah adonai eloheinu melech ha-olam, sheh-asa nissim la-vo-tei-nu bayamim ha-haim bazman hazeh.

Blessed our God, ruler of the universe, who performed wonderous deeds for our ancestors in days of old, at this season.

Third Blessing (only on the first night)

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם
שהחיינו וקימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה

Baruch atah adonai eloheinu melech ha-olam, she-he-che-yanu v'ki-ye-manu v'he-gi-yanu la'zman ha-zeh.

Blessed our God, ruler of the universe, for giving us life, sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this season.

Jewish Artists

Chaim Soutine



Chaim Soutine (13 January 1893 – 9 August 1943) was a Russian-French painter of Jewish origin. Soutine made a major contribution to the expressionist movement while living in Paris.

Inspired by classic painting in the European tradition, exemplified by the works of Rembrandt, Chardin and Courbet, Soutine developed an individual style more concerned with shape, color, and texture over representation, which served as a bridge between more traditional approaches and the developing form of Abstract Expressionism.

Soutine was born Chaim Sutin, in Smilavichy in the Minsk Governorate of the Russian Empire (present-day Belarus). He was the tenth of eleven children. From 1910 to 1913 he studied in Vilnius at the Vilna Academy of Fine Arts. In 1913, with his friends Pinchus Kremegne and Michel Kikoine, he emigrated to Paris, where he studied at the École des Beaux-Arts under Fernand Cormon. He soon developed a highly personal vision and painting technique.

For a time, he and his friends lived at La Ruche, a residence for struggling artists in Montparnasse where he became friends with Amedeo Modigliani. Modigliani painted Soutine's portrait several times, most famously in 1917, on a door of an apartment belonging to Léopold Zborowski, who was their art dealer. Zborowski supported Soutine through World War I, taking the struggling artist with him to Nice to escape the possible German invasion of Paris.

After the war Paul Guillaume, a highly influential art dealer, began to champion Soutine's work. In 1923, in a showing arranged by Guillaume, the prominent American collector Albert C. Barnes bought 60 of Soutine's paintings on the spot. Soutine, who had been virtually penniless in his years in Paris, immediately took the money, ran into the street, hailed a Paris taxi, and ordered the driver to take him to Nice, on the French Riviera, more than 400 miles away.

Soutine once horrified his neighbours by keeping an animal carcass in his studio so that he could paint it. The stench drove them to send for the police, whom Soutine promptly lectured on the relative importance of art over hygiene. There's a story that Marc Chagall saw the blood from the carcass leak out onto the corridor outside Soutine's room, and rushed out screaming, 'Someone has killed Soutine.' Soutine painted 10 works in this series, which have since become his most well-known. His carcass paintings were inspired by Rembrandt's still life of the same subject, *Slaughtered Ox*, which he discovered while studying the Old Masters in the Louvre. Soutine produced the majority of his works from 1920 to 1929. From 1930 to 1935, the interior designer Madeleine Castaing and her husband welcomed him to their summer home, the mansion of Lèves, becoming his patrons, so that Soutine could hold his first exhibition in Chicago in 1935. He seldom showed his works, but he did take part in the important exhibition *The Origins and Development of International Independent Art* held at the Galerie nationale du Jeu de Paume in 1937 in Paris, where he was at last hailed as a great painter. Soon afterwards France was invaded by German troops. As a Jew, Soutine had to escape from the French capital and hide in order to avoid arrest by the Gestapo. He moved from one place to another and was sometimes forced to seek shelter in forests, sleeping outdoors. Suffering from a stomach ulcer and bleeding badly, he left a safe hiding place for Paris in order to undergo emergency surgery, which failed to save his life. On August 9, 1943, Chaim Soutine died of a perforated ulcer. He was interred in Cimetière du Montparnasse, Paris.

In February 2006, an oil painting of his controversial and iconic series *Le Bœuf Écorché* sold for a record \$13.8 million to an anonymous buyer at a Christie's auction held in London.

In February 2007, a 1921 portrait of an unidentified man with a red scarf (*L'Homme au Foulard Rouge*) by Chaim Soutine sold for \$17.2 million—a new record—at Sotheby's London auction house. In May 2015, *Le Bœuf*, circa 1923, oil on canvas, achieved a record price for the artist of \$28,165,000 at the Christie's curated auction *Looking forward to the past*.

The Jewish Museum in New York has presented major exhibitions of Soutine's work in *An Expressionist in Paris: The Paintings of Chaim Soutine* and *Chaim Soutine: Flesh*.



View of Céret



Self Portrait

Torah Teaser Sign Up

Torah Teasers are short emails that arrive in your inbox Thursday mornings to “tease out” some questions on the Torah portion of the week that Rabbi Saks is thinking about leading into Shabbat. Many members of the congregation reply to these questions over email thus fostering a space for meaningful dialogue in our community on moral, ethical, and spiritual questions. If you’d like to sign up to receive these Torah Teasers, please contact:

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Milestones in American Jewish History

The American Jewish Congress

The American Jewish Congress is an association of American Jews organized to defend Jewish interests at home and abroad through public policy advocacy, using diplomacy, legislation, and the courts.

The AJCongress was founded in 1918, and represented a “populist counterbalance to the American Jewish Committee, which was dominated by the wealthy and conservative German-Jewish establishment.” Leaders within the American Jewish community, consisting of Jewish, Zionist, and immigrant community organizations, convened the first American Jewish Congress (AJCongress) in Philadelphia’s historic Independence Hall. Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Felix Frankfurter, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandeis, and others joined to lay the groundwork for a national democratic organization of Jewish leaders from all over the country, to rally for equal rights for all Americans regardless of race, religion or national ancestry.

In addition to its stated goals of equal rights for all, it was founded to broaden Jewish leadership and to present a unified American Jewish position at the Paris Peace Conference in 1919. It became effective as a pressure group in 1928 under the leadership of Rabbi Stephen Samuel Wise, who remained the president and chief spokesperson of the AJCongress until his death in 1949. The current head of the AJC is Jack Rosen.

The 1930s

Throughout the 1930s, Rabbi Wise was vocal in his warnings about the dangers of Nazism. When Adolf Hitler was named chancellor of Germany on January 30, 1933, Wise organized a mass protest rally at Madison Square Garden, in New York City. He did this despite strong opposition by the German government, the U.S. State Department, and conservative Jewish organizations such as the AJCommittee and B’nai B’rith. The American Jewish Congress continued to organize protest rallies throughout the 1930s and 1940s. In August 1933 the American Jewish Congress led a general boycott of German goods. In 1934, Daniel Marks was named head of the AJC. He traveled to Germany and brought 5,000 Jews to America.

In 1936 the American Jewish Congress was instrumental in establishing the World Jewish Congress. Maintaining his position as president of the AJCongress, Rabbi Wise was also elected president of the WJC. During World War II, the AJCongress acted as a liaison between the U.S. government and the WJC on issues relating to rescue attempts made on behalf of European Jews.

The 1940s

In August 1942, Rabbi Wise received a cable from Gerhard Riegner, the WJC representative in Switzerland. Riegner reported that the Nazis had planned, and were implementing a policy to exterminate all of European Jewry; the cable also referred specifically to the Auschwitz-Birkenau camp. After the State Department confirmed the accuracy of the information in the cable, now known as the “Riegner telegram,” the AJCongress convened a Joint Emergency Committee. The committee sought to coordinate the major Jewish organizations in the United States to lobby the Roosevelt administration to take increased measures rescuing European Jews.

In December 1942 the American Jewish Congress established a Planning Committee, which sought support for a variety of rescue proposals. The most impressive of these projects was another rally at Madison Square Garden. Held on March 1, 1943, the rally drew a crowd of 70,000. Similar rallies were subsequently held in a number of cities throughout the United States.

The American Jewish Congress was pro-Zionist in its platform. Its leadership overlapped with that of the Zionist Organization of America (ZOA). As a result, the two organizations agreed to concentrate on different tasks during the war. The American Jewish Congress dedicated itself to rescuing European Jews, while the ZOA worked to establish a Jewish state in Palestine. This arrangement continued after the war, although its significance decreased after the creation of the state of Israel in 1948. AJCongress was a pioneer in the struggle for Soviet Jewry, long before it became a popular movement. Domestically, AJCongress became active as well. It was the first Jewish organization to use law and legislation to protect the rights of American Jews, at a time when other Jewish organizations were using appeals to good will to achieve this objective.

The 1960s

Rabbi Joachim Prinz (1902–88) was president from 1958 to 1966. He served as a founding chairman of the 1963 March on Washington and spoke at that event.

The AJCongress was involved in legal proceedings that sometimes conflicted with other Jewish American organizations. In 1966 the AJCongress joined the New York Civil Liberties Union, the United Parents Associations and the United Federation of Teachers in filing suit against provisions of the Federal Education Act, which would provide support to religious schools. Jewish day school educators and leaders in over 30 states and over 100 communities representing 330 Hebrew day schools insisted that the American Jewish

Congress did not speak for American Jews on religious or educational issues and is viewed by some in the Jewish community as primarily a secular agency. Then president of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, Rabbi Joseph Karasick, said that the American Jewish Congress “speaks for itself only and is under no circumstances to be taken as representing the American Jewish community. The Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, central spokesman for this country’s 3,100 Orthodox synagogues, as well as all Orthodox rabbinic bodies and every other Orthodox Jewish body, have given full support to the Federal Education Act and deem its provisions to be consonant with the principle of church-state separation.”



Rabbi Stephen Samuel Wise

The 1980s and 1990s

In the late 1990s and into the 2000s, the AJCongress experienced the deflection of a number of local chapters, including Boston, Philadelphia and Los Angeles. There were disputes over ideological issues and finances. Some have since reestablished themselves as independent non-profits focused on liberal social and community issues. Finding the AJC had become too conservative, members of the Los Angeles chapter, for instance, created the Progressive Jewish Alliance (PJA) in 1999. They sought to assert a Jewish interest in the campaigns for social justice in Southern California, which has the United States’ second largest Jewish population. The Progressive Jewish Alliance expanded in February 2005 by opening a San Francisco Bay Area chapter. The AJC has since regrouped and is actively engaged in constitutional issues domestically and supporting Israel and challenging anti-Semitism abroad.

2000–2010

In 2004, AJC led a successful effort to keep federal funds out of Catholic schools. U.S. District Judge Gladys Kessler sided with the American Jewish Congress, which argued that federal funds were being used to pay for teaching of Christian values through programs such as the University of Notre Dame’s Alliance for Catholic Education. Judge Kessler ruled that the religious and secular activities were not sufficiently separated or monitored.

The AJC suspended its activities and laid off much of its staff on July 13, 2010 because it had run out of operating funds due to losses in the Madoff scandal. It disclosed that it lost roughly \$21 million of the \$24 million in endowments it had invested through Bernard Madoff and his firm, money that supported the AJCongress and its programs. While the financial losses of the endowment were crippling, others noted that the AJCongress had long been in the shadow of larger American Jewish organizations such as the American Jewish Committee and the ADL. While the AJCongress focused on religious freedom in America, free speech and women’s rights, donors showed more interest in Israel and anti-Semitism.

While the AJC had a long history of fighting aid to religious schools, the effort proved to be in conflict with Orthodox Jewish communities that were very successful in attracting government funds for students. An investigation by the Jewish Daily Forward showed that each year, tens of millions of dollars in federal Pell grants go to yeshivas, which typically focus on Talmud study, rather than secular subjects.

2010–present

Today, the American Jewish Congress is dealing with the following challenges: Strengthening the bond between the U.S. and Israel; combating domestic and global anti-Semitism; fighting to defeat the BDS movement (Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions); preventing a nuclear Iran; promoting cooperation and trade between Israel and countries around the world.

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Judy & Lester Fox in honor of the Aufruf of Jonathan, son of Jay & Ellen Steinberg, and Blair Chinzer.

Judy & Lester Fox in honor of the 40th anniversary of Rabbi Moshe & Meira Saks, parents of Rabbi Ari Saks.

Judy & Lester Fox in honor of Miriam & Joel Wirchin being named by UJA-Federation of NY as the recipients of the Community Leadership Award.

Judy & Lester Fox in memory of all those who died in the senseless synagogue shooting in Pittsburgh.

Judy & Lester Fox wishing a speedy recovery to Elliott Waldman.

Judy & Lester Fox wishing a speedy recovery to Ethel Sachs.

Judy & Lester Fox in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Jenna, granddaughter of Shelley & Marc Weinberg.

Judy & Lester Fox in memory of HJC congregant, Justin Otis.

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Beryl & Sy Okwit in memory of HJC congregant, Justin Otis.

NURSERY SCHOOL FUND

Vered & Jack Cole in honor of the Hebrew naming of Madeline & Nathan, children of Josh & Leah Holbreich & grandchildren of Steve & Liz Holbreich.

Dalia & Marv Rosenthal in honor of the Hebrew naming of Madeline & Nathan, children of Josh & Leah Holbreich & grandchildren of Steve & Liz Holbreich.

Leslie & Jon Friedman in memory of their daughter, Samantha.

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Joan & Norman Mattisinko in honor of the 40th anniversary of Rabbi Moshe & Meira Saks, parents of Rabbi Ari Saks.

The HJC Sisterhood in honor of and with thanks to Rachel Saks for her program at the Paid-Up Membership dinner.

Cary Diamond in honor of the Hebrew naming of his grandson, Aspen Ellory Stephens.

RABBI'S HOSPITALITY FUND

Elaine & Walter Kleinmann in honor of the 40th anniversary of Rabbi Moshe & Meira Saks, parents of Rabbi Ari Saks.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

Sarah & Jerry Saunders in memory of Irvin Epstein at yahrzeit.

SCHECHTER FUND

Vicki & Arthur Perler in memory of Sandra B. Rosen, mother of Bruce Rosen.

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Sue & David Lefkowitz in memory of Meyer Hepner at yahrzeit.

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Maxine & Rob Fisher in honor of the birthday of Gay Flatow.

Joan & Norman Mattisinko in honor of the 90th birthday of Marty Kushnick.

Marilyn & David Klein in memory of Erwin Kleinmann, brother of Walter Kleinmann.

Gwen & Ron Goldstein in memory of Erwin Kleinmann, brother of Walter Kleinmann.

Sarah & Jerry Saunders in memory of Sandra B. Rosen, mother of Bruce Rosen.

Sarah & Jerry Saunders in memory of Erwin Kleinmann, brother of Walter Kleinmann.

Sarah & Jerry Saunders in memory of Ellen Arditti, mother of Janet Goldstein.

Sarah & Jerry Saunders in memory of Samantha Friedman, daughter of ECC teacher, Leslie Friedman.

Tom Rosen in memory of Samuel Rosen at yahrzeit.

Yolanda Barfus in honor of Marilyn Klein being named the Sisterhood Woman of Achievement.

Lori Sklar in memory of Norman Sklar at yahrzeit.

NEW MEMBERS

Michael & Susan Pataki of Greenlawn and their children: Ethan, age 8 and Ari, age 6.

Elliot Meiteles & Alana Chill of Huntington Station and their daughter, Orly, age 1.

CONDOLENCES

To the family of our member, Justin Otis.

Bubbies Kitchen

By Joanne Mulberg-Cohn

Last April, Cantor Gordon told me about a fellowship called Bubbies Kitchen that he thought I might be interested in applying for. After reading about it, I decided to apply and was one of the 10 participants chosen to be part of a 5 day conference in early August at Camp Isabella Freedman in the Berkshires. Although I attended workshops with my Bubbies Kitchen group, I was also able to take advantage of some of the 90 presenters of the annual Hazon Food Conference. There were demonstrations by noted chefs, farmers, environmental activists, artists, and more from morning to night.

Bubbies Kitchen was started three years ago by Rabbi Ezra Weinberg, Cyndi Rand and Nancy Wolfson of the YM-YWHA of Wash-

ington Heights and Inwood. It was designed to significantly deepen and enrich the Jewish educational experiences for children and their families and to create a sense of pride and connection to their Jewish heritage.

At the end of the workshop, myself and the other nine participants were presented with a curriculum book to use as a guide for bringing this program in to our own communities. And so on Election Day, November 6th, we had 12 students ranging from second grade to sixth grade sign on. We started with USA and the kids worked in groups and made corn bread and apple slaw. All seemed to have a great time learning and cooking.



Many thanks to Cantor Gordon, Maxine Fisher, Stacey Moss and Peter Cohn for their assistance and support. Another class is planned for early February where we will cook the food from another country our ancestors came from. Details to follow.

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