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Sisterhood News

by Evelyn Abraham

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SISTERHOOD EXTENDED KIDDUSHES:

If you are planning a B'nai Mitzvah, Aufruf, Birthday or Anniversary Celebration, please consider Sisterhood to cater your luncheon at HJC. Sisterhood has recently updated the Kiddush Luncheon Menus. Please contact Sarah Saunders if you would like more information on the menu options that are available.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE UPDATE:

BQLI Region Torah Fund Kickoff Dinner and Program- Wednesday November 1st 5:30 PM Temple Beth Ohr Bellmore.

Barbie – Bombshell or Jewish Feminist Icon? Speaker is Professor and Author Susan Shapiro.

Fall 2023 - WLCJ Classes: Learn Hebrew and Read from the Prayerbook. Classes start the week of 10/12

Please contact Evelyn Abraham if you are interested in attending the Women's League Events.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE TORAH FUND CAMPAIGN

The new Torah Fund campaign—the dedicated philanthropy of Women's League for Conservative Judaism is **Kol Yisrael Arevim Zeh Ba'Zeh**
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I'm excited to share that this next pin will be made of **sterling silver and 14K goldplate**, and is being **manufactured in Israel**. If you make a donation of \$180 or more, you will be given the pin as a gift to thank you for your generosity.

Your generosity helps provide essential scholarships and programs to train future leaders of the Jewish community. Torah Fund helps develop future rabbis, cantors, educators, synagogue administrators, social workers, scholars, researchers, lay leaders and others.

If you would like more information on Torah Fund, please contact Evelyn Abraham. If you would like to make a donation: <https://inspired.jtsa.edu/torahfund> Please indicate Huntington Jewish Center when you make an online donation.

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From Rabbi Eric Rosin



We Plan and

Perhaps the most poignant lesson of the past weeks is that the old Yiddish aphorism, *Der mentsh trakht un Got lakht*, Man Plans and God laughs, is rarely offered in auspicious circumstances.

Before services began on the morning of the first day of Rosh Hashanah, I was treated to a roll call of congregants who would not be joining us because they were

home recovering from Covid. I felt for them and thought of each of them when we reached the *Mi SheBerach*, the prayer for healing that we recite as part of the Torah service, but for most of the service my attention was split between the liturgy, the clock and the congregation.

Services went well and perhaps the most fulfilling element of each morning was the opportunity to accompany the Torahs around the extended sanctuary at the beginning and end of the Torah service and the chance they afforded to shake the hundreds of hands that were offered and to look into each face and share so many personal wishes for a *Hag Sameach* and a *Shanah Tovah u' Metukah*, a happy holiday and a sweet and happy year to come.

When I arrived home after services on the second day of the holiday, as Jen and I were enjoying the afterglow of our first Rosh HaShanah in Huntington, we paused for a moment and both expressed our hope that the event hadn't been a super spreader. "Well," I observed, "we'll know in a few days."

The next night I had a sore throat. The following morning, I had a fever. By that evening, after two negative Covid tests, the dreaded line appeared on the test paper and for my first time since the beginning of the pandemic, I tested positive. I don't need to share that the High Holy Days are the pinnacle of a rabbi's year. And a rabbi's first High Holy Days in a community are even more significant. And for this rabbi, I can't tell you which was worse, feeling ill or knowing that because Covid is so highly contagious, I would have to miss my first Yom Kippur at HJC.

Since before my arrival in this community, I had been plan-

ning, writing, and spending hours meeting with Rabbi Cantor Gordan, Rachel Gritz, our Executive Director, Ellen Steinberg, our President, Ofer Rind who took on the role of assigning honors and a myriad of others discussing the customs of the community, the logistics of the services and the different roles that each person plays during the holiday season. . . and now I would be missing Yom Kippur. Neither my theology nor my temperament allow me to believe that God was laughing.

Happily, we are a resourceful and a resilient people and HJC, in particular enjoys a deep bench of capable lay people and with the leadership of Rabbi Cantor Gordan, we were able to make alternative plans, share my pre-recorded sermons and the service went on! I watched them from my home and I was very proud to be a part of this community. (And once again, let me offer my thanks and my appreciation to everyone who participated in the services and particularly those who were able to take on last minute assignments with such poise and gravitas.)

In my rabbinic imagination, instead of laughing, God nodded with approval. I have been unable to find the source, but there is a parable that is told about the work that we do during this season which compares us to marionettes. It invites us to think about the precarious relationship between a marionette and the puppeteer who operates it. When all of the strings are intact, the marionette can beautifully embody the will of the artist who directs it. But the strings are delicate and often break. The parable asks us to envision a well-used puppet suspended by threads that have broken and been tied together so often that the lines are composed of more knots than string. One way to tell the story of such weathered figure is to pity it for how far it is from the pristine status that it enjoyed when it was new.

Another, more useful way to look at it, is to recognize that every time that a string has broken and a knot has been tied, the distance between the puppet and the puppeteer has grown shorter as each repair has elevated the marionette just a little. The lesson that I have learned over these holidays is not that when people plan, God laughs. It's that there is so much to learn and so many ways to grow when we work together to redeem the plans that don't work out.





Gratitude in October

October is the season for gratitude in the life of the synagogue. I began the process of thanking people towards the end of Yom Kippur and I promised a more complete list in my upcoming bulletin article. I would like to start with a recap of those I mentioned on Yom Kippur since they are all so important to HJC and they deserve mention in print.

It goes without saying that HJC would probably fall apart without our Executive Director, Rachel Gritz. This year, I was privy to some of the HH preparations going on here at HJC. Honestly, I am pretty sure that I only witnessed the tip of the iceberg. Rachel was on top of every little detail (and I mean EVERY) and kept this place running like a well-oiled machine. And guess who was responsible for organizing and directing all the last-minute changes in our YK service? Rachel and the office and custodial staff consisting of Irma Mile, Diane Hoppe, and Alex and Victor Salinas always make the smooth functioning of our beloved HJC their priority. Thanks to Ilene Brown for creating such an outstanding ECC.

Thanks to our RS Director, Gina Giuffre for leading and organizing our Family Service and Children's programming. As in the past years, these services were fun and engaging and created quite the "Buzz." I know that a lot of planning goes into making these programs so successful. And, this year, Gina demonstrated her ability to adapt and respond quickly to suggestions by adding a special tot service for our 2-4-year-olds on Yom Kippur. Thanks also to Tara Kopman for once again planning and executing the Buzz program. And to all the teachers and babysitters.

I am most appreciative of my Executive Committee: Billy Wertheim, Andrea Smoller, Leigh Murphy, Ofer Rind, Rick Davis and Donna Fleiss and the BOT for their ongoing support. Many of our BOT members and Past Presidents welcomed you on the holidays at the entrances or at the book table and some sat on the bima. This is a responsibility and a privilege of being part of the leadership of HJC. Thanks to our secretary Donna for making the complicated schedules.

Ofer, of course deserves special mention serving in his capacity as HH Honors Chairperson. Actually, he is the only one on the committee, and I really do not know how he does it each year. Ofer, I hope that we added enough to your already full dance card this year with all the last-minute changes.

Thanks again to our Kol Nidre chairs, Felicia and Keith Messing. You have both meant so much to our community and I know you will continue to support and do your part for HJC for many years to come. Thank you to Debbie Cadel

and Arthur Perler for agreeing to be our Simchat Torah honorees this year. You have both contributed so much to HJC over the years and it will be wonderful to be able to acknowledge you in this way.

Additionally, I would be remiss if I fail to mention the two people who I consider to be the backbone of HJC: Evelyn Abraham Silverberg and Paul Greenstein. In addition to their actual formal positions as Sisterhood President and Co-Chair of our House Committee respectively, they are our go to-behind-the-scenes-no-problem-I'll-take-care-of-it people, for whom no job is too big or too small. They are the "someone elses" who just get it done.

Special thanks to Maxine Fisher for everything she continues to do for HJC especially on the High Holidays. Each year, Maxine organizes the greeters and sits in her usual spot with a keen eye to all the comings and goings into and out of the sanctuary. Maxine also makes sure that the children have their own shofars to blow at the end of Yom Kippur and flags for Simchat Torah and she and Rob ensure that we have an orderly procession as we each approach the ark with our individual prayers during the Neilah service.

Thanks to all our greeters: Mary Uricchio, Ed Fleiss, Phil Mintz, Patricia Schoeffler, Todd Houslanger, Peter Cohn, Elaine Kleinmann, Evelyn Abraham, Bill Yelen, Lori Sklar, Mike Richter, Farel Jouard, Barbara Koppersmith, Rob Fisher, Arthur Frischman, Allison Reiver, Amy Sobin, Gail Lodge, Stuart Rothenberg and Eric Germunder.

Other noteworthy high holiday contributions include:

1. Sisterhood for polishing the silver that adorns our Torah scrolls, for providing snacks and bread for those attending Tashlich and for the bima flowers on Sukkot. Special thanks as well for your generous donation to the bathroom renovation project.
2. Men's Club for erecting our Sukkah under difficult weather conditions this year.
3. Judy Leopold and Alan Orloff for the beautiful Yom Kippur bima flowers.
4. Everyone who participated in services, including but not limited to our Torah readers, Haftarah readers, gabbais and those who led services. Special thanks this year to Jay Steinberg, Billy Wertheim and Jack Rubin for stepping up to become last minute rabbi understudies on Yom Kippur.
5. Marty Spielman for creating all the professional flyers displayed for the holidays and throughout the year.

While not specifically for the holidays, I would like to thank Rachel Brill and Dave Schoenfarber for spearheading and overseeing the renovation of our bathrooms. Additionally, Jennifer Ingber and Tyna Strenger deserve mention for their hard work cleaning out the Rabbi's study, sorting through

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What Makes a Community?

What makes a community? If I asked my children, they would say something to the effect of police, schools, homes, and grocery stores. Upon reflection of the most recent holidays of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, I asked myself this same question. What exactly makes a community?

The answer I produced is having heart, or "Lev" in Hebrew. Having a heart for a cause, an institution or even physical land really makes a person, or a group of people, go the extra mile to create an everlasting, sustainable community.

Over the last several months I have watched how HJC has been through a great deal of change. Change can be extremely upsetting and off-putting for many people. However, I have watched as our talented congregants have led services voluntarily and enthusiastically during the Rabbinical transition. There was never a Shabbat service or a minyan that was missing coverage.

During this past Yom Kippur holiday, I watched in astonishment how our very own congregants stepped in and led all the Yom Kippur services for the entire holiday, while Rabbi Rosin was recovering with Covid. It was truly remarkable how seamless the services ran, with the wonderful voices and chants from all our congregants who led each service. The reason

that Yom Kippur services went smooth is the fact that our congregants have so much passion, or heart for HJC that they will let nothing get in their way to keep our synagogue running. As I was walking around during Yom Kippur at HJC, new members and even guests were so impressed with the services that were put together so well by our community. I believe HJC's secret ingredient of what makes our community strong is our people. Our congregants have so much love for our synagogue that it truly makes it feel like a strong community no matter the obstacles it may face, HJC will always prevail.

There is no better way than to spend time at HJC as a community than in October. There are so many wonderful events going on to choose from! On the second day of Sukkot, we will be offering an Adult Ed speaker following a lunch in our Sukkah. The program is called Chanasat Orchim - Welcoming Guests and (conversation with Susan J Cohen, author of From There to Here), inviting strangers to your home on Sukkot. Men's Club is also having their annual Scotch & Steak in the Sukkah. We are also having a wonderful Simchat Torah honoree luncheon, honoring Debbie Cadel & Arthur Perler for their dedication to HJC. Sisterhood is having their annual membership paid up dinner. JNN will return at the end of the month and is always looking for helping hands to volunteer. I hope you all embrace these wonderful programs that make our HJC community great. I wish you all a joyful Sukkot and Simchat Torah!

GRATITUDE IN OCTOBER CONTINUED

piles of books and beginning the process of sorting through the "stuff" HJC has accumulated over time.

Please forgive me if I have forgotten anyone.

Rabbi Cantor Gordan, it was so wonderful to have you and your beautiful family here for the holidays. We wish you all the best as you continue the next exciting phase of your lives. We look forward to hearing from you and please expect visitors when any HJC members come to Israel.

Rabbi Rosin, we look forward to many years together with you as our spiritual leader. You truly inspired us with your words during Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

To paraphrase the Messing's Kol Nidre message: Each time we give Tzedakah or volunteer, we are rewarded with more than we put in and this continues to foster the cycle of giving and receiving. For this New Year, I hope that everyone can reap the benefits of taking an active role in our beloved HJC community. And I hope that the lessons we've learned make us think seriously about accessibility and what it means to truly include others, in whatever ways are possible, including over a screen and in person. Here's to a happy AND healthy new year.

JACK RYAN FRISCHMAN

Jackie is an 8th-grade student at East Northport Middle School and has been attending HJC since he was 18 months old. He is a star athlete playing baseball, basketball, and football on school and travel teams.



In addition to sports, he enjoys playing video games, riding bikes, and going to the gym with his friends. As a highly skilled middle child, he is no stranger to challenges and has faced his responsibilities of becoming a Bar Mitzvah like a champ. Jackie looks forward to continuing his spiritual journey at HJC for many years to come.



“Forgiveness says you are given another chance to make a new beginning.” - Desmond Tutu

September, and of course, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur always bring to mind new beginnings. September is the start of school for us; new children, new families, and children who have grown over the summer. It is almost a rebirth for us in the ECC as the teachers start the year with new children. It

is our responsibility and privilege to help teach and mold the children into good human beings. Not only do we help them develop their character, but also instill in them the love and passion for learning, encourage a great many life skills, foster self-esteem, teach them the “typical academics”, keep them safe and secure among many other responsibilities. Now that is quite the challenge. I am so blessed to work with the finest early childhood educators and humans! Nothing is possible without this exemplary team and our commitment to the children, their families and each other.

“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much,” as Helen Keller so aptly stated. This wonderful school and

community don’t come together by itself. We also start the new school year with a fresh new look in our hallways! A big thank you to the Parent Association for their part in helping to beautify the ECC and a big thank you to HJC member Rachel Brill who helped us choose the beautiful bright and calm colors. Paint is not the only update to our school wing. Many of you may have noticed our educational and engaging “sensory paths.” These paths were created and installed by a local girl scout as part of her Gold Award. This important project was fully funded by them and helps to assist the children in walking safely down the halls as well as helping them learn their colors, numbers and letters. Another big thank you to more HJC members, Bruce Fleiss and Larry Wagner who replaced rotting wood and refurbished the digging bed in our STEM/ Garden area. Clearly, no man is an island unto himself, unless he wants to accomplish nothing. It is because of our HJC community that the ECC is able to be so successful. Whether it is the children’s education, fundraising for school enhancements, or maintaining a beautiful and safe school, it could not happen without the goodness of others, and this is what we must focus on.





Simchat Torah: A Celebration of a Fresh Coat of Paint

Much like December 31st, Rosh Hashana reminds us of yet another year that has passed and the promise of the year to come. This month, we return to the first chapter of the Torah for Simchat Torah. The day marks the conclusion of our annual cycle of Torah reading and catapults us into the beginning of a new cycle.

The moment captures the essence of continuity and renewal serving as a compelling metaphor for revisiting and rejuvenating our personal and communal commitments. We face challenges, surmount them, and inevitably encounter new hurdles but with a bit more accrued wisdom and new perspectives, as we apply the lessons, we have learned to create more meaningful futures.

Simchat Torah is a joyous communal celebration filled with dancing and singing. The support of community can be both grounding and uplifting. Renewal is not just an individual act but a collective endeavor, strengthening the ties that bind

us. The holiday teaches us that revisiting something familiar does not mean a rote mechanical repetition of the old. Like the freshly painted halls of HJC's school wing, it means approaching the Torah with a fresh coat of paint, allowing our newfound experiences to color our own understanding to the ongoing narrative. Each one of us acts as a stroke of paint on a communal canvas and with shared beliefs and practices, we create a more vibrant masterpiece. With every reading of the Torah, we accumulate more wisdom, which in turn colors our interpretation of the world around us. Our evolving understanding is the new hue we bring to the traditional text, making the scripture come alive and relevant. While the Torah text remains unchanged, the diversity of interpretation is boundless.

As we dance with the Torah scrolls, let us also dance into our personal and communal new beginnings. May we embrace the cycle of renewal, both for its comforts and challenges, and support one another as we embark on another year of learning, growing, and becoming. Chag Sameach!



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Jack & Leslie Rubin in memory of Sol Marenberg at Yahrzeit
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Jack & Leslie Rubin in honor of Judy and Lester Fox on the engagement of their grandson Jacob Grossman to Rachel Gilson
Jack & Leslie Rubin in honor of Rick Davis on the engagement of his son Andrew to Rachel Orlinsky
Ann & Barry Specht in honor of Scott & Jennifer Ingber on the engagement of Zach Ingber to Emmie Herbstman

Ann & Barry Specht in honor of Bruce & Alice Rosen on the birth of their grandson, Corey Skyler Rosen

Joel & Miriam Wirchin in memory of Matthew Wieser, father of Bob Wieser

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Andrea Marcus Smoller in honor of Debbie Cadel being honored as a Simchat Torah honoree

Andrea Marcus Smoller in honor of Arthur Perler being honored as a Simchat Torah honoree

Sisterhood of HJC in honor of the new bathrooms

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Janet & Mark Zimmerman in honor of Coby Boxer, son of Rabbi Tracy Kaplowitz & Dr. Jonathan Boxer, brother of Jordana & Nina Boxer

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Suzanne Susskind in memory of Else Laemmle at Yahrzeit

Suzanne Susskind in memory of Hedy Rosenthal at Yahrzeit

Suzanne Susskind in memory of Lore Lieberman at Yahrzeit

Suzanne Susskind in memory of Eric Lieberman at Yahrzeit

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Stuart Herskovitz in honor of Laurie Birzon for her help

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Gloria Safran in memory of Marty Kushnick, husband of Janet Kushnick

Gloria Safran in honor of Nili Gitig's marriage to Mark Rosentraub

Bill Yelen in memory of Martin Kushnick, husband of Janet Kushnick

Ronald & Gwen Goldstein in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Coby Boxer

YOUTH FUND

Brian & Nancy Cooper in honor of Coby Boxer's Bar Mitzvah

Vicki & Arthur Perler in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Boxer

MAZEL TOV:

Leslie and Jack Rubin on the marriage of Josh Rubin to Brittany Gellerman

Gale and Paul Greenstein on the marriage of Alli Greenstein, to Matt Smith

Rosalind and Billy Wertheim on the engagement of Ariel Wertheim to Deborah Thompson

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Laura Weiler

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CONDOLENCE:

Michael Sanatar beloved partner of **Tara Kopman**

Every member of HJC is entitled to a free grave in HJC's cemetery. Contact the office for information.

A fun, delicious evening was had by all who attended "Cooking with Dalia and Roz"

Thank you to Dalia Rosenthal and Roz Spielman for the wonderful cooking demonstrations and tastings of a menu for the high holidays or for any occasion!



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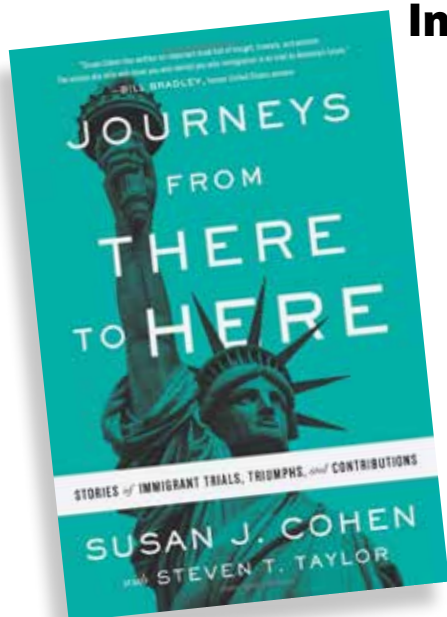
HJC Adult Education Presents:

Hachnasat Orchim - Welcoming Guests

Sunday, Oct 1 at 1:00 pm

In the Sukkah following lunch

Moderated by Rabbi Rosin



On Sukkot we welcome guests into our Sukkah. Susan Cohen, recently retired immigration lawyer and author of *Journeys from There to Here: Stories of Immigrant Trials, Triumphs and Contributions* will talk to us about her work with immigrants to the US.

If you'd like to read her book, the **Next Chapter** bookstore can order it for you (or you can find it on Amazon)

Journeys from There to Here: Stories of Immigrant Trials, Triumphs and Contributions - By Susan Cohen with Steven T. Taylor

100% of book sales directly benefit PAIR (the Political Asylum/Immigration Representation project- www.pairproject.org)

Susan is an acclaimed immigration attorney with a long track record of successful outcomes for her clients, whether through filing immigration petitions and applications on their behalf or, if necessary, through litigating their cases in the federal courts to achieve justice on their behalf. Susan, though recently retired is still a national thought leader on U.S. immigration law and policy. In her work she directly impacted the content and wording of immigration regulations issued both by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (and its predecessor agency, the "INS"), and the Department of Labor ("DOL") through liaison with these agencies, and through her opinion pieces in the national media. Dovetailing with her work in this arena, Susan, now retired, was passionate about her pro bono work to support and defend immigrants fleeing persecution and those who have been marginalized or injured by our inadequate, broken, and often misguided immigration laws and policies. The most profound and meaningful work of Susan's legal career was saving clients from deportation to countries where they would be killed for expressing their support for democracy, for marching peacefully in protest of a corrupt government, for resisting gang conscription, for practicing their religion, or because of their sexual orientation. "It is such an honor for me to represent my asylum clients" says Cohen. "So many of them are heroes-and in trusting me with their personal stories of inspiring bravery in the face of unspeakable hardships and atrocities, they have given far more to me than I have ever given to them."



RSVP to: <https://hjc.shulcloud.com/event/adult-ed-program-in-the-sukkah-.html>



Scotch & Steak in the Sukkah!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3RD, 6:30 PM

Just \$36 (members)/\$40 (nonmembers) gets you a juicy Woodbury Kosher Ribeye, expertly grilled to perfection, with sides and, of course, a sampling of the finest Scotch!



Not to mention the fun of a Tuesday night hangin' in the booth with the Men's Club!

Sign up now. Space is limited and will sell out.

To make it easy, we're offering the price of only \$36 for an annual Men's Club Membership so please add that to your total (\$72 for membership plus the event)

There's more! We'll be raffling off a bottle of Scotch (brand yet to be confirmed).
Buy your tickets at a discount through the link below.

Any questions? MENSCLUB@HJCN.Y.ORG



RSVP to : <https://hjc.shulcloud.com/scotchandsteak>



Temple Beth El
of Huntington



Temple Beth El & HJC Celebrate Simchat Torah

**Saturday, October 7th, 7:00 pm
at Temple Beth El
660 Park Ave, Huntington**



**Come for an engaging evening
to celebrate the gift of Torah!**



is launching a new exhibition

JewCE!

The Jewish Comics Experience

Running October 6 through the end of the year, exploring the Jewish roots of comics, as well as Jewish themes in comics (superheroes and otherwise) and Jewish representation in comics.

It includes a large collection of original artworks, historical artifacts, and interactive installations. Additionally, on the weekend of November 11-12, **the Center will host a comic con-style event for the whole family**, with activities, industry celebs, panel discussions and workshops, a large artist alley, an exhibit hall filled with vendors, food trucks, and more.



CENTER FOR JEWISH HISTORY

15 W 16th St (between 5th Ave. & 6th Ave.), New York, NY 10011

Simchat Torah Lunch **honoring** **Debbie Cadel & Arthur Perler**

Sunday, October 8th
immediately following services



Come celebrate the gift of Torah!

RSVP at <https://hjc.shulcloud.com/event/simchat-torah-honoree-luncheon.html>

Simchat Torah, "Rejoicing with/of the Torah", is a holiday to celebrate and mark the conclusion of the annual cycle of public Torah readings, and the beginning of a new cycle. Simchat Torah is a component of the holiday of Shemini Atzeret ("Eighth Day of Assembly"), which follows immediately after the festival of Sukkot in the month of Tishrei.

If you require any accommodations to be able to join us and fully participate in this event, please notify the office so we can assist you.

Unequal under the law: Criminal justice on Long Island

Most Long Island Jews feel safe and protected by law enforcement and believe they would be treated fairly by the court system should they need it. However, that is not true for all residents and communities on Long Island.

Join the HJC Social Justice committee for a two-part series that starts with an exploration of Jewish approaches to criminal justice and continues with a conversation about disparities within policing and criminal justice on Long Island, and efforts for reform.

Part 1: Thursday, Nov. 2, 7:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Rabbi Margo Hughes-Robinson from [T'ruah](#) will teach us what Jewish texts have to say about the administration of justice within Judaism, and how we treat others. [T'ruah focuses on mass incarceration](#) as one of its main areas of practice.

Part 2: Sunday, Nov. 12. 10-11:30 a.m. in person

Scott Kaufman, an advocate with [Long Island United](#), will talk about disparities within policing and criminal justice on Long Island and efforts to improve it. Serena Ligouri, executive director of [New Hour for Women and Children on LI](#), an organization that supports current and formerly incarcerated women and children, will help us understand the impact on families beyond statistics and numbers.

<https://hjc.shulcloud.com/event/-jewish-approaches-to-criminal-justice/criminal-justice-on-long-island--a-2-part-series.html>

HJC Sisterhood Annual Membership Dinner

Friends, Fun, Food
and
BINGO

Thursday, October 26th @6:30pm

Dues are \$45, \$30 for seniors (62+)

Good for one year of Sisterhood membership

May be paid at the door and entitles you to attend dinner

RSVP by October 20th

Shari Feibel: lashaf@verizon.net or 516-702-0432

HJC Religious School Presents:

FAMILY NOAH'S ARK CELEBRATION



**At White Post Farms, 250 Old Country Road, Melville
Sunday, Oct. 15, 1:00-3:00 (Rain date: Oct. 22)**

\$30/pp (Fee includes: pumpkin picking, hay rides and performances as well)

**Hand feed animals, Giraffe experience,
Bird Aviaries, Animal farm, and more!**

RSVP by Oct. 10th

<https://hjc.shulcloud.com/event/religious-school-noahs-ark-program--offsite.html>

SISTERHOOD FALL RUMMAGE SALE ONE DAY ONLY! - SUNDAY, 10/22



It's time to clean out your closets!
CLEAN, GENTLY USED clothing for men, women, children & infants
baby products, toys, books, shoes & assorted household items

DROP OFF- SOCIAL HALL

THURSDAY, 10/19 from 9:00am - 3:00pm

FRIDAY, 10/20 from 9:00am - 3:00pm

Donations *must* be dropped off during these hours to receive a tax credit form

Please **DO NOT** bring items on sale days (unless willing to sort and distribute)

WE CAN NO LONGER ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS:

TUBE TVs, LARGE FURNITURE, CRIBS, INFANT CAR SEATS, MICROWAVE OVENS,

OLD TELEPHONE SYSTEMS, OLD PLUMBING PARTS,

OUTDATED TEXTBOOKS & TRAVEL BOOKS,

SPORTS EQUIPMENT MUST BE IN CLEAN AND IN GOOD CONDITION

TOYS/GAMES MUST HAVE ALL PARTS IN A TAPED OR SEALED BOX

CLOTHES AND SHOES MUST BE CLEAN AND GENTLY WORN WITH NO HOLES OR STAINS

Sale will be held on

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 9:00am - 3:00pm (2:00pm - 3:00pm is BAG HOUR)

We welcome all who wish to volunteer for the set-up and sale days!

(THURSDAY, 10/19 and FRIDAY, 10/20 between 9am-3pm)

(SUNDAY, 10/22, anytime from 8:30am-3:30pm)

Contact Janet Goldstein at dhsjh@aol.com or 631-375-9144 to volunteer!

As part of Sisterhood's commitment to Social Action,
unsold merchandise in good condition is donated to charity.

The Israel Engagement Committee presents:

Brunch and Learn with David Ze'ev Jablinowitz

Op-Ed Editor at the Jerusalem Post



ISRAEL TODAY



Democracy, Diversity, and Unity: The Israeli Judiciary and What's Next?

Sunday morning Nov.5 / 10:00 am-12:00 noon



David (Ze'ev) Jablinowitz, born in Brooklyn, moved to Israel right out of college in 1981. He is currently the Op-Ed Editor of The Jerusalem Post. He is the author of Israel's "Bus Stories" on Facebook and is preparing a compilation of stories for a book on the Israeli experience. From 1981 to 2018 he broadcasted on Israeli radio and reported on political and diplomatic affairs. David has interviewed seven Israeli Prime Ministers and in 2016 conducted a phone conversation with President Barack Obama, after which the President proposed a plan to present a UN Security Council resolution on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

RSVP before Nov. 1st, \$5.00 / \$10.00 at the door

RSVP to:

<https://hjc.shulcloud.com/event/israel-engagement-committee-presents-a-brunch--learn-.html>

Contributions to the HJC Israel Engagement Fund would be much appreciated



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**Todah Rabah to these HJC Sisterhood women for polishing our HJC Torah silver...
and making the high holidays shine!**



Pictured left to right: Donna Fleiss, Barbara Kuppersmith, Karen Fishelson, Miriam Wirchin, Shari Feibel, Tyna Strenger, Lori Sklar, Glenda Kupersmith, Felicia Messing

The congregation would like to thank the HJC Sisterhood for their generous donation of \$10,000 towards our recent bathroom renovation project.

“ Wherever people gather, her deeds speak her praise ”

*Huntington Jewish Center encourages the participation of people of all abilities in its programs and activities.
If you or a family member would like to attend an activity, program, meeting or event but require additional support or special accommodations, please call the HJC Main Office at 631-427-1089 or email hjcadmin@hjcny.org.*