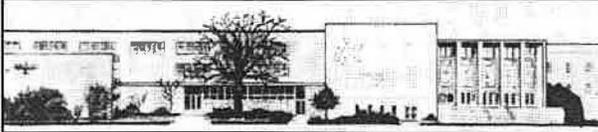




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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Normally I try to use my article space to deliver a message about the needs of Hillcrest Jewish Center in a fun way. This article though is for the New Year, so I am going to do something different and give out some homework.

As you all know I read a lot and I have found a few books and articles that I thought people might want to check out. Unfortunately the topic is antisemitism, so the books are not always fun reads (although they are always excellent reads), but I happen to think they are important, so I am going to recommend them to everyone.

The first one is *People Love Dead Jews* by Dara Horn. This is the most recent of the books in which Dara Horn writes twelve different essays that deal with various topics from Holocaust Museums, how the media portrays antisemitic events, to how we recognize the Righteous Among The Nations. She comes up with a simple idea. People are most comfortable when they are memorializing dead Jews. She even takes on Anne Frank by pointing out that one of the most famous lines she wrote, "I still believe, in spite of everything, that people are truly good at heart" is taken out of context in a way because it was written three weeks before Anne Frank met people who would disabuse her of that notion. Horn points out that because we choose to remember this statement, very often our study of Anne Frank is skewed towards that rather than the incredible evil that surrounded her. We look at her as a person wise beyond her years, rather than looking at her as a person who wrote that, and literally three weeks later would meet people about whom that statement was not true.

The second book is titled *Jews Don't Count* by David Baddiel. This book's very simple premise is that antisemitism is the last acceptable form of

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SHABBAT AND HOLIDAY SERVICES

Friday, December 31 – *Building closed except for services*

Candle Lighting 4:20 P.M.
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv 4:30 P.M.

Saturday, January 1, 2022 – Vaera – Birkat HaChodesh 9:00 A.M.

Torah Reading: Exodus 6:2-9:35 Haftarah: Ezekiel 28:25-29:21

We welcome the new month of Shevat. Rosh Chodesh is Monday, January 3

Mincha/Shiur/Maariv 4:00 P.M.
Shabbat ends 5:14 P.M.

Monday, January 3 – Rosh Chodesh Shevat

Friday, January 7

Candle Lighting 4:27 P.M.
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv 4:30 P.M.

Saturday, January 8 – Bo 9:00 A.M.

Torah Reading: Exodus 10:1-13:16 Haftarah: Jeremiah 46:13-28

Mincha/Shiur/Maariv 4:15 P.M.
Shabbat ends 5:30 P.M.

Friday, January 14

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv 4:30 P.M.
Candle Lighting 4:34 P.M.

Saturday, January 15 – Beshalach – Shabbat Shirah 9:00 A.M.

Torah Reading: Exodus 13:17-17:16 Haftarah: Judges 4:4-5:31

Mincha/Shiur/Maariv 4:15 P.M.
Shabbat ends 5:37 P.M.

Monday, January 17 – Tu B'Shevat

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Building closed except for services 8:30 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.

Friday, January 21

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv 4:30 P.M.
Candle Lighting 4:42 P.M.

Saturday, January 22 – Yitro 9:00 A.M.

Torah Reading: Exodus 18:1-20:23 Haftarah: Isaiah 6:1-7:6, 9:5-6

Mincha/Shiur/Maariv 4:30 P.M.
Shabbat ends 5:45 P.M.

Friday, January 28

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv 4:30 P.M.
Candle Lighting 4:51 P.M.

Saturday, January 29 – Mishpatim – Birkat HaChodesh 9:00 A.M.

Torah Reading: Exodus 21:1-24:18 Haftarah: Jeremiah 34:8-22, 33:25-26

We welcome the new month Adar I

Rosh Chodesh is Tuesday and Wednesday, February 1 and 2

Mincha/Shiur/Maariv 4:45 P.M.
Shabbat ends 5:53 P.M.

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CENTER FAMILY

Congratulations to:

Debbie & Mark Solkoff on the engagement of their daughter Shana to Daniel Katz.

Doris Solkoff on the engagement of her granddaughter Shana to Daniel Katz.

Aviva & Jimmy Peress on the birth of their granddaughter Sierra Emalee Weisman.

Linda & Richard Morris on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Hayden Morris.

From Rabbi Kogan...

Dear Friends of Hillcrest Jewish Center;

Although we celebrated Rosh Hashanah as the Jewish New Year not long ago, I am mindful that a new secular year will be on its way as you read these lines.

A New Year has always been a time for looking back to the past, and more importantly, forward to the coming year. It's a time to reflect on the changes we want (or need) to make and resolve to follow through on those changes.

Around this time of the year, we find many articles online on the top 10 New Year's resolutions. Although each article lists its own 10 top resolutions, many of them actually overlap.

Below is just one example of the top 10 New Year's resolutions. If you can check three or more you'd like to work on, you are not alone.

Top 10 New Year's Resolutions

1. Spend More Time with Family and Friends

Recent polls conducted by General Nutrition Centers, Quicken, and others, show that more than 50% of Americans vow to appreciate loved ones and spend more time with family and friends this year. Work shouldn't always come first!

2. Fit in Fitness

The evidence is in for fitness. Regular exercise has been associated with more health benefits than anything else known to man. Studies show that it reduces the risk of some cancers, increases longevity, helps achieve and maintain weight loss, enhances mood, lowers blood pressure, and even improves arthritis. In short, exercise keeps you healthy and makes you look and feel better.

3. Tame the Bulge

Over 66 percent of adult Americans are considered overweight or obese by recent studies, so it is not surprising to find that weight loss is one of the most popular New Year's resolutions. Setting reasonable goals and staying focused are the two most important factors in sticking with a weight loss program, and the key to success for those millions of Americans who made a New Year's commitment to shed extra pounds.

Quit Smoking

If you have resolved to make this the year that you stamp out your smoking habit, over-the-counter availability of nicotine replacement therapy now provides easier access to proven quit-smoking aids. Even if you've tried to quit before and failed, don't let it get you down. On average, smokers try about four times before they quit for good. Start enjoying the rest of your smoke-free life! Locally, there are a variety of free support services, hotlines and smoking cessation classes to help you kick the smoking habit.

5. Enjoy Life More

Given the hectic, stressful lifestyles of millions of Americans, it is no wonder that "enjoying life more" has become a popular resolution in recent years. It's an important step to a happier and healthier you! Take up a new hobby or try your hand at skiing. Go to a theater performance, or head to the local spa.

6. Quit Drinking

While many people use the New Year as an incentive to finally stop drinking, most are not equipped to make such a drastic lifestyle change all at once. Many heavy drinkers fail to quit cold turkey but do much better when they taper gradually, or even learn to moderate their drinking. If you have decided that you want to stop drinking, there is a world of help and support available.

7. Get Out of Debt

Was money a big source of stress in your life last year? Join the millions of Americans who have resolved to spend this year getting a handle on their finances. It's a promise that will repay itself many times over in the year ahead.

8. Learn Something New

Have you vowed to make this year the year to learn something new? Perhaps you are considering a career change, want to learn a new language, or just how to fix your computer? Whether you take a course or read a book, you'll find education to be one of the easiest, most motivating New Year's resolutions to keep. Most local colleges and universities offer remote and adult education programs.

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HJC Adult Education

presents

**a Zoom program
 with members of**

MELINDA KATZ's

**Queens District Attorney's
 Office**

**Wednesday, January 12
 at 2:00 pm**

**JOSEPH CONLEY, Bureau Chief
 of Frauds Bureau**

**CHRISTINE BURKE, Section Chief
 of Elder Fraud Unit**

*They will discuss various scams
 and how fraudsters work to
 separate victims from their money.
 Included will be romance scams,
 IRS and Social Security Administration
 impersonations, and jail/bail schemes.*

*They will also provide information
 on what to do if you have fallen
 victim to an online scam.*

SERVE ON THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

If you would like to serve on the Board of Trustees, please contact Richard Kass, Chairman of the Board.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES CRITERIA

Upon election to the Board, each member shall be strongly encouraged to undertake the following commitments to Hillcrest Jewish Center:

1. Chair or serve as an active member on at least one committee as appointed by the President.
2. Contribute financially to the fund-raising efforts of Hillcrest Jewish Center to the extent of his or her financial ability.
3. Be actively involved in the fund-raising efforts of Hillcrest Jewish Center.
4. Work in partnership with the officers, clergy and staff to effect positive change.
5. Lend their skills and talents to the congregation through committees and special projects.
6. Educate themselves about the programs of the congregation, fiduciary matters, policies and procedures.
7. Attend Hillcrest Jewish Center sponsored programs, lectures and functions, whenever possible.
8. Serve as ambassadors to the community at large.
9. Serve as an usher at least twice a year.

In addition, each member of the Board is encouraged to strive to strengthen his or her religious commitment by, among other things:

1. Attending Shabbat services at least twice a month.
2. Attending at least one daily minyan a week.
3. Attending at least one service each Festival.
4. Reading Hebrew so as to be able to participate in services, or if limited, strive to improve in Hebrew skills.
5. Becoming familiar with the functions of the Jewish Theological Seminary.
6. Visiting Israel.
7. Striving towards the observance of kashrut, taking steps toward that goal by, for example, refraining from eating pork products and shellfish.
8. Studying Torah on a regular basis.
9. Making Shiva calls.
10. Visiting and/or calling ill or house-bound members of the congregation.

Due to the pandemic, some specific items may temporarily be overlooked.

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9. Help Others

A popular, non-selfish New Year's resolution, volunteerism can take many forms. Whether you choose to spend time helping out at your local library, mentoring a child, or building a house, there are many nonprofit volunteer organizations that could really use your help. Or if your time is really in short supply, maybe you can at least find it in you to donate the furniture, clothing and other household items that you no longer need, rather than leaving them out by the curb to fill up our landfills.

10. Get Organized

On just about every New Year resolution top ten list, organization can be a very reasonable goal. Whether you want your home organized enough that you can invite someone over on a whim, or your office organized enough that you can find the stapler when you need it, these tips and resources should get you started on the way to a more organized life.

Personally, I would like to spend more time with my family, to fit in fitness (this one is always on my list), to continue helping others, and to learn something new. I am also happy to see that throughout the last year, I made some progress with a couple of the above priorities.

Any new beginning is always a good excuse to work on the things we want to change. So I encourage you to make your own list and to start working on it, with realistic goals, as Norman Mollov of blessed memory used to say, one step at a time.

Rabbi Manes Kogan

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racism. He points out that identity politics recognizes everything, but often refuses to allow Judaism into the conversation. His book is well thought out, and while it tends to focus on the left, it is very timely. We are all well aware of antisemitism from the right but the left makes it more difficult because they are protecting everyone else's identity. Baddiel asks the question – if you are busy protecting everyone, why is antisemitism often left out of the discussion or discounted completely. This is not a book about synagogue vandalism or for lack of a better term, 'big' antisemitism. This is more about comments and moments. Baddiel points out that he feels the reason for this is simple...Jews are the only target of racists for both high and low reasons. After all, Jews are the only group who are often compared to vermin, while at the same time, being accused of running the world.

Jews Don't Count is namechecked in a recent article by Joshua Malina in *The Atlantic* entitled *Cancel Mel Gibson*, in which the author points out that the virulent antisemite, Mel Gibson has never apologized nor changed his behavior and is still getting opportunities to star in and direct movies in Hollywood. If you don't believe Baddiel's thesis, then be sure to read Malina's article and see what you think then.

The third book is *How to Fight Antisemitism* by former *New York Times* writer Ba ri Weiss. Weiss believed that America could escape the antisemitism that has appeared in every era in every country, but she points out that for the first time in American history, we are facing a three headed dragon of fear of physical assault, moral fear of ideological vilification, and the rise of facism and populism. The first half of the book is a history of antisemitism while the second half focuses more on current conditions. The final chapter gives 30 different ways to fight it. This is the most controversial of the three books because of the stance it takes on Israel and criticism of Israel, but the members of Hillcrest are people who can read a book and make up their own minds.

Obviously you don't have to read all, or truthfully, any of these books. You certainly don't have to agree with the books. But if you happen to read one, come find me and let's talk about it. After all, what is the fun in reading a book if you don't get to talk about it?

I wish everyone a happy and healthy 2022, and we can't wait to see everyone in person soon!

Matthew Resnick, President

HILLCREST'S HANUKKAH CELEBRATIONS

Hillcrest celebrated 8 nights of Hanukkah this year in style! We started with simple candle lighting/trivia and then on the second night we Zoomed with Harry Rubinstein from Israel as he showed us how to make incredible latkes. The next night Sisterhood sponsored their Moonlights which was awesome, and on Wednesday we took the cans from our canned food drive and the kids had a pizza party and built hanukkiah! Thursday was the Rabbi's birthday and he celebrated by having a bourbon/whiskey tasting. On Friday we had our first Friday night dinner in almost two years with food from Chattanooga. A great time was had by all at the dinner which included a sing-along. On Saturday we celebrated by having a Havdalah-Hanukkah sing-along.

Matthew Resnick

SISTERHOOD

Happy 2022 to everyone.

On Tuesday, January 18th at 11:30 AM, Sisterhood is joining with Hadassah and the Hadassah Book Club for a special Meet the Author program live from Israel. *Rebel Daughter* is the book written by Lori Banov Kaufmann.

Rebel Daughter transports the reader to one of the most dramatic and momentous events in human history – the destruction of Jerusalem in the 1st century. This stunning tale of family, love and resilience was inspired by a major archaeological discovery in southern Italy: the 2,000 year-old gravestone of Claudia Aster (Esther). The few Latin words chiseled into the ancient stone, proof of a very unlikely romance, shocked and intrigued scholars around the world.

Rebel Daughter is Esther's story. This emotional and impassioned saga, based on real characters and meticulous research, seamlessly blends the fascinating story of the Jewish people with a timeless protagonist determined to take charge of her own life against all odds.

Lori Banov Kaufmann became a debut author, at the age of 61. Prior to becoming a full-time author, Lori was a strategy consultant for high-tech companies in Israel. She has a BA from Princeton University and an MBA from the Harvard Business School.

Our next Moonlights program will be on Tuesday, January 25th at 8:00 PM.

Check the upcoming Daily Digest for the Zoom links to these programs.

Enclosed along with the HJC Bulletin, is Sisterhood's Shalach Manot order form. We also have new beautifully designed Purim Cards this year. All orders, along with full payment, must be returned no later than March 2nd. Make checks payable to *Sisterhood HJC*.

Shalach Manot is our only fund raising program of the year. Due to your annual overwhelming response, the monies we raise go towards improvements in our building, sponsoring many programs, purchase of Israel Bonds, donations to community based services, natural disaster relief funds, and so much more. We have just made a \$500 donation to Hatzolah. Their annual campaign raises funds for new ambulances and medical equipment.

When you make a donation to Sisterhood in honor of or in memory of someone, we will send an acknowledgment card out immediately. Minimum donation is \$18, with your check payable to Sisterhood HJC.

—Karen Rothman,
Sisterhood President

MEN'S CLUB

December 9, 2021, a date that will live in ecstasy! HJC's Men's Club executive committee boldly went (after 22 months of pandemic isolation) where no man had gone...a live in-person synagogue meeting of some of its members: Marty G., Steve Z., Joel B., Harold M., Ralph S., Steven L., Alan R. and especially Ed S., well-rested following months of physical recuperation.

Our agenda was two-fold:

1. Thus far, our Men's Club dues-paying membership roster in 2021 is nearly double in number of the entire year 2020. However, it is well-behind that of 2019, before Corona Virus was even an issue. True, our overall expenses throughout this time had greatly dwindled due to cancellations of many social functions open to synagogue members, family, friends and guests. Recent "come-back" events such as our outdoor barbeque, plus the Captree Park fishing trip, greatly dug into our income generated from the \$45 annual dues of each of our members this past year. Therefore it is incumbent upon all men (previous dues-paying as well as any "new blood") to join our ranks.

2. Social Events in 2022 - With the aforementioned recent attempts of revitalization resulting in limited success, future endeavors must place a high emphasis on health-safety. Unfortunately, our always well-publicized and attended Karaoke Night in late December each year had to be canceled for 2021 due to the shared use of the microphone. However, we have decided to go ahead with other live events in the months ahead: Military Bridge, World Wide Wrap, Movie Night, Men's Club Shabbat and fishing at Captree.

Please read all HJC emails, flyers and monthly bulletins for times, dates, costs and locations.

Happy, healthy and peaceful 2022 to one and all.

Joel Berkowitz

P.S. The Islanders are offering group rates for tickets. If interested, please contact Marty Guttman, mpguttman@gmail.com.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

The Board Trustees met on November 16th. It was our first in-person meeting since the Covid pandemic, though some trustees participated via videoconference.

In Ecclesiastes Rabbah (7:26, §2), the sages teach us, "Three things are distressing to the body. Disease of the heart is distressing to the body. More distressing than disease of the heart is

disease of the bowels. More distressing than either is lack of money in the purse." Nevertheless, it was announced that membership dues would increase by 5.9%. This did not require Board action, because the Synagogue's Constitution mandates that dues be increased annually by the same percentage as the increase in the cost of living, as measured by the U.S. Department of Labor. Thankfully, the Constitution makes no demands on our bowels.

The Board approved the expenditure of up to \$6000 to pay for new piping for the pool.

A motion was passed to increase the fee paid to congregants who read the Torah at Shabbat services, so that the most experienced readers can earn up to \$200.

President Matt Resnick reported that the Endowment Committee is considering increasing the amount of money that is distributed each year for general Synagogue operations.

Matt also announced the formation of a Strategic Planning Committee. Ted Weisz will be the chair. Budget Chair Simeon Saturn and Endowment Chair Monte Shulkes will also serve.

The Board approved a Hanukkah Shabbat dinner for up to 100 participants paying \$36 per person. The Board authorized the expenditure of up to \$2900 to help subsidize that dinner, if necessary.

The Board will next meet on Tuesday, December 21st at 7:30 PM. The meeting will be in person, but trustees who prefer to participate remotely will be able to do so.

Richard Kass, Board Chair

OHR CHADASH...

OUR BRIGHTEST HANUKKAH

Although the ongoing global pandemic has been putting a damper on and dimming many a holiday celebration for the past two years, the Ohr Chadash student body and teaching staff could not have had a brighter and more joyous Hanukkah program.

Almost like eight years ago, but not quite, we just missed having a Thanksgiving celebration this year by only a few days. Since Ohr Chadash was on a Turkey-weekend break the Sunday which was the first light of Chag HaUrim, our children dedicated the entire seventh day of the holiday to projects and events acknowledging the festival.

Following the Opening Assembly, Ohr Chadash was transformed into a culinary and artistic institute. The students in our youngest class, Kochavim, became chocolatiers, creating mini Hanukkah

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menorahs, dreidels, and Magen Davids in all the colors of the rainbow. As these children were hard at work, the other classes were channeling their artistic muses. Each student in Chalutzim, Giborim and Geshet were decorating special Hanukkah tote bags which can be used for many years to come. For the next period, Chalutzim prepared mouth watering lollipops for the entire school. At this time our artistes of Kochavim were creating their own jigsaw puzzles, which they were able to put to practical use once they went home. The last food preparations for the day were created by the Giborim and Geshet classes, latkes. With four griddle stations, supervised by our teachers, our eldest pupils became experts in the art of potato pancake flipping.

Morah Marina led the ceremony for the lighting of the Hanukkiyah as the children, in unison, chanted the brachot. Morah Judy next led the classes in our holiday songfest. The lilting voices of the students and the morot were in perfect harmony as the strains of tunes such as "I Have a Little Dreidel" and "Light One Candle" wafted through Menchel Hall.

The assemblage was next treated to a video montage of several Jewish capella groups singing comedic parodies of *Star Wars* and *West Side Story* melodies, substituting the original lyrics with the words from Hanukkah songs. Finally, the gastronomic delights of the morning were ready and the students and teachers happily partook of the school-made latkes, accompanied by individualized apple sauce containers and juice boxes.

Before the conclusion of the day's festivities, the children competed in a dreidel spinning contest. The winners of each grade's competition had a spin-off to decide the Ohr Chadash Grand Champion S'vivon Twirler. After the dust had settled and the last dreidel had dropped, Ethan Sirota was crowned the champion. The prize he went home with was an edible hand-painted chocolate menorah.

As each student left for the day, they went home with a bagful of holiday goodies, compliments of the Ohr Chadash Parents Association, and hand-held toys, which were donated by our host synagogue, Congregation Etz Hayim of Hollis Hills Bayside.

As of this writing, the Giborim and Geshet classes are preparing for their second courtroom drama, the Trial of Joseph's Brothers. Being charged with attempted murder and human trafficking (attempting to sell their brother Joseph into slavery), we will watch as the prosecution and defense go head-to-head

and the Chalutzim class, serving as the jury, is faced with the difficult task of deciding the merits of the case.

When next we meet in print, Ohr Chadash will be ensconced at Israel Center of Conservative Judaism for the remainder of the school year. As we previously expressed our appreciation to CEHHHB for their hospitality this Fall/Winter term, we look forward to our Winter/Spring tenure at ICCJ, beginning on January 9, 2022.

We wish a happy, healthy, and safe secular New Year to all our families and staff.
Morah Shari

NEW LEAVES ON OUR SIMCHA TREE

**PAUL COHEN
IRIS SCHACHTER
AND THE LAY LEADERSHIP**
in appreciation for their
inspiring davening during
the 5782 High Holy Days

Gary & Deborah Siegel Baker
Janet & David Cohen
Susan & Paul Diamond
Flo & Robert Gropper
Joan Hausmann
Linda & Lenny Jaffe
Gail & Zvi Keren
Fryda & Joseph Kessel
Raina & Jamey Kohn
Ted & Anna Rottersman Lehmann
Kathy & Gerry Lewis
Janet & Stephen Liebman
Cheryl & Richard Meyer
Natalie Nussbaum
Aviva & Jimmy Peress
Sherry & Alan Reisner
Beth Ritter
Emily & Aram Schlosberg
Edgar Schwartz
Ellen & Arnie Schweitzer
Michele Splain
Sela & Steve Zellman
Brenda, Robert & Michael Zuckerman

**IN HONOR OF
BERTHA STRAUSS
FOR ALL THAT SHE DOES FOR
HADASSAH
THE STATE OF ISRAEL AND HJC**

Scott & Andria Grundman Cooper
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Gail, Zvi & Jennifer Keren
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**IN HONOR OF
JEFFREY ROSENBERG
FOR ALL THAT HE DOES FOR
HILLCREST JEWISH CENTER**

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All funds collected through our Simcha Tree are allocated to the Hillcrest Jewish Center Capital Improvement Fund which helps sustain the structural needs of our beloved synagogue.

SYNAGOGUE OFFERINGS

Reminder

There is a \$25 minimum donation required for the listing to be printed in the Bulletin (one name per yearzeit listing).

General Fund

Barbara & Robert Kayne with appreciation.

Larisa Alexander Dmitriev.

Carol & Jay Greenberg with gratitude.

RoseAnn & Gary Darche in honor of David Cohen for his service to the community as Chairman of the Criminal Justice Section of the New York State Bar Association.

Rhoda & Edwin Zlotnick wish Rabbi Kogan and family a happy Hanukkah and thank him for the lovely plant.

Alan & Sherry Reisner wish Mazal Tov to Dorothy & Larry Schonfeld on the birth of their granddaughter Callie Jayme Levy.

Alan & Sherry Reisner wish Mazal Tov to Aviva & Jimmy Peress on the birth of their granddaughter Sierra Emalee Weisman.

Dorothy & Larry Schonfeld wish Mazal Tov to Aviva & Jimmy Peress on the birth of their granddaughter Sierra Emalee.

Sandy & Bernie Newman in honor of Rabbi Kogan's birthday.

Linda & Richard Morris in honor of grandson Hayden Morris on the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah.

Iris Schachter wishes Mazal Tov to Suzie & Marco Heinfliink on Benjamin's Bar Mitzvah.

Iris Schachter wishes Mazal Tov to Aviva & Jimmy Peress on the birth of granddaughter Sierra Emalee.

Dorothy & Larry Schonfeld wish Mazal Tov to Aggie & Ted Weisz on their 50th anniversary.

Kathy & Gerry Lewis congratulate Aviva & Jimmy Peress on the birth of their new granddaughter Sierra Emalee.

Bertha Straus for all the wonderful people who arranged and participated in the Hanukkah events.

Iris Schachter in honor of Aggie & Ted Weisz on their 50th anniversary.

Esther & Rafal Tokarz thank Rabbi Kogan and their friends at HJC for the beautiful plant.

Karen & Howard Solomon thank Rabbi Kogan and their friends at HJC for the flowers.

Raina & Jamey Kohn wish Jared Rifkin a refuah shleimah.

Edgar Schwartz for yearzeit of sister Blanche Cohen.

Harriet Rosengarten for yearzeit of father Norman Horen.

Elaine Steinberg for yearzeit of father George Steinberg.

Elaine Steinberg for yearzeit of grandfather Arthur Kornick.

Joel Berkowitz for yearzeit of father Jack Berkowitz.

Sherric Jackson for yearzeit of father Mark Jackson.

Ruth & Steven Rosenhaus in memory of Lillian Wechsler, mother of Joan Stenzler.

Ralph Straus for yearzeit of beloved father Leo Straus.

Edna Harris for yearzeit of mother Diana Venner.

Edna Harris for yearzeit of mother-in-law Julia Harris.

Susan & Ralph Straus in memory of Mark Levy, brother of Mimi Frank.

Sela Zellman for yearzeit of mother Edith Eisenstat.

Harold Moskowitz for yearzeit of father Irving Moskowitz.

Marilyn Kirschbaum for yearzeit of mother Sarah Lubinsky.

Stanley Klein for yearzeit of sister Doris Nodelman.

Doris Fried for yearzeit of father David Berkowitz.

Doris Fried for yearzeit of mother Ida Berkowitz.

Gerry Lewis for yearzeit of mother Ann Lewis.

Beth Ritter for yearzeit of grandfather Herman Zuckerman.

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Sandra Jackson for yearzeit of father George Steinberg.

Erika Fedor for yearzeit of father Israel Stern.

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Sheila Chustek wishes Rabbi Kogan a happy birthday and many, many more. You are a wonderful leader for the community.

Fryda & Joseph Kessel wish Rabbi Kogan a very happy birthday and many, many more to come.

Sharon & Louis Taxin in honor of Rabbi's birthday.

Mimi Frank in memory of her adored brother Mark Levy, who has and always will be a role model for her – eclectic, amusing, intelligent, caring, philanthropic, and truly the best older brother anyone could wish to have.

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