



JRLW

MEGILLAH

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JOEL L. KRISTAL

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

As I've stated before, I prepare this message around the first of the month and given the dynamic conditions of the world, my words maybe a little late. One thing that seems never to change, however, is antisemitism. It has been around for millennia, sometime covert and other times overt. Since the barbaric attack on Israel October 7th, it has become much more overt. The latent antisemitism, even here in the United States, has once again raised its ugly head and has become overt antisemitism. We only have to look at our colleges to see what is advertised as pro-Palestinian rallies are really pro Hamas rallies. A Pro-Hamas rally is more than an anti-Israeli rally given the Hamas mission of "kill all the Jews".

Why aren't we seeing large crowds protesting this antisemitism? Why aren't the Jewish college students demanding more protection? Should Jews take self-defense classes or weapons training? I just don't know. What I do know is that "NEVER AGAIN" is not a slogan but is a reality. What can we do, perhaps Councilman Glass gave you some ideas. When you hear antisemitic comments from a Congress woman, for example, let your

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DECEMBER DATES 2023

- 01 Fri – Shabbat Services 7:30 pm, CH II
- 05 Tues – JRLW Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- 06 Wed – JWV 11 am
- 06 Wed – Hadassah Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 07 Thu – Latkes and Vodka 4 pm, CH II
- 09 Sat – Shabbat Services 9:15 am, CH II
- 11 Mon – Chanukah Musical Celebration 2 pm, CH II
- 13 Wed – Hadassah Chanukah Celebration 2 pm, CH I
- 17 Sun – JRLW Brunch CH I 10 am
- 18 Mon – Hadassah Judaic Studies Grp 1:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES FOR DECEMBER

On Friday, December 1, Reform Shabbat Services will be held in Clubhouse II at 7:30 p.m. The services will be conducted by Rabbi Gary Fink and Cantor Wendy Gonzales. The Shir Delight Choir will participate. There will be an Oneg Shabbat following Services.

There will be a Conservative Shabbat Service on Saturday, December 9, at 9:15 a.m. in Clubhouse II. Cantor Michael Kravitz will conduct these Services. There will be a Kiddush after services.

CORRECTION

In the November Megillah we listed the name of the Funeral Homes with whom JRLW has a relationship. However, we didn't list the full name of: **Sagel Bloomfield Danzansky Goldberg Funeral Care Inc.** We are sorry for this mistake. You will find their ad toward the back of this Newsletter.

President's Message

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representative know how distasteful it is. Be vocal, don't just sit back and let others fight antisemitism. Make your voice heard. Well, I'm off my soap box, for now.

Hanukah is just around the corner beginning December 7th this year, "A date that will live in infamy" but that infamy is being forgotten and so is the holocaust. (whoops, back on the soap box, sorry).

I would like to close with a few thoughts from Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks, of blessed memory:

"Perhaps the miracle was this, that the Maccabees found one cruse of oil with its seal intact, undefiled. There was no reason to suppose that anything would have survived the systematic desecration the Greeks and their supporters did to the Temple. Yet the Maccabees searched and found that one jar. Why did they search? Because they had faith that from the worst tragedy something would survive. The miracle of the first night was that of faith itself, the faith that something would remain with which to begin again.

So it has always been in Jewish history. There were times when any other people would have given up in despair: after the destruction of the Temple, or the massacres of the crusades, or the Spanish Expulsion, or the pogroms, or the Holocaust. But somehow Jews did not sit and weep. They gathered what remained, rebuilt our people, and lit a light like no other in history, a light that tells us and the world of the power of the human spirit to overcome every tragedy and refuse to accept defeat.

From the days of Moses and the bush that burned and was not consumed to the days of the Maccabees and the single cruse of oil, Judaism has been humanity's *ner tamid*, the everlasting light that no power on earth can extinguish."

I wish you all a HAPPY CHANUKAH and let's pray for Israel and send them a little Chanukah gelt.

Shalom

NOTICE: THE DEADLINE FOR THE JANUARY MEGILLAH IS DECEMBER 10. ARTICLES SUBMITTED AFTER THAT DATE WILL APPEAR IN THE FEBRUARY MEGILLAH.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

November is the season to be thankful we are thankful that JRLW provides Reform and Conservative Services each month.

We hope you all agree that our caring JRLW is a vibrant club in Leisure World and truly meets the needs and interest of our Jewish community. JRLW brunches commenced again in October and will run monthly until summer.

As you see, throughout the columns and pages of the Megillah, JRLW welcomes and encourages suggestions on new ideas and activities. An example of this is the travel committee, chaired by Sue Sandler, which has arranged for tickets to Fiddler at the Olney Theatre. Trips will continue thought the year.

All activities are advertised in the Megillah, the emails, on the JRLW Website, www.jrlwmd.org, and the closed JRLW Facebook page.

Please remember to introduce yourself to others you do not know, when you are attending events. Please encourage those who are not members to join the organization.

The Chanukah Musical Presentation with Cantor Mike Kravitz is on December 11 and no ticket is required. See the flyer. Hopefully, you were lucky enough to get a ticket before registration closed for the Vodka and Latkes celebration on December 7.

Have a wonderful Happy Chanukah and a healthy and peaceful 2024.

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WEIZMANN MEETS EINSTEIN

--- Bernie Ascher ©

They met for the first time on board the ship---Holland-America's Rotterdam---carrying them to America for their first visit. When the ship docked in Hoboken, NJ, Chaim Weizmann, Albert Einstein, and their wives waited until sundown (observing the Sabbath) to leave the ship. It was April 2, 1921, the beginning of their eight-week visit to American cities to raise funds to build Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

The Mayor of New York greeted them and thousands of people lined the streets to welcome them along their route through Jewish neighborhoods on the Lower East Side to their hotel (The Commodore).

In 1905, Einstein had published four papers with theories that revolutionized scientific thought of space, time, mass, motion, and gravitation. In 1915, Weizmann, a chemist, developed acetone from corn to make smokeless explosives used by Britain in World War I, and in 1917, he was instrumental in obtaining the Balfour Declaration, expressing Britain's support for a Jewish home in Palestine.

On the U.S. visit, Weizmann, Chairman of the World Zionist Organization and leader of the delegation, was 47 years old, Einstein, 42. The Press devoted more attention to Einstein than to Weizmann, but had great difficulty understanding the complexity of Einstein's scientific theories.

Einstein spoke to audiences in German through a translator (sometimes it was his wife, Elsa). Einstein had recently divorced his first wife, Mileva, and married his cousin Elsa.

In addition to New York, the delegation visited Hartford, Boston, Chicago, Cleveland, and Washington (where Einstein met with President Harding). Financially, the trip was not as successful as Weizmann had hoped. They raised only \$750,000, not \$4 million, according to Smithsonian Magazine.

In September 1921, the World Zionist Organization elected Weizmann President at the 12th Zionist Conference and in 1922, Einstein was awarded the 1921 Nobel Prize for Physics, notable achievements for each of them.

Weizmann, born in 1874 in Molto, a small town in

White Russia (now Belarus), one of a family of 15 children, moved to the United Kingdom in 1904 to teach chemistry at the University of Manchester, and became a British citizen in 1910. Winston Churchill as Home Secretary signed his papers. He held British nationality until 1948, when he renounced it to assume his position as Israel's first President.

Einstein, born in Ulm, Germany on 14 March 1879, grew up in Munich. He moved to Switzerland in 1895, where he studied at what is now the ETH in Zurich, and became a Swiss citizen in 1901. He moved to Berlin and became a German citizen in 1914. In December 1932, a month before Adolf Hitler became chancellor of Germany, Einstein made the decision to migrate to the United States, where he took a position at the University of Princeton. He renounced his German citizenship in 1933, became an American citizen in 1940, and never again entered the country of his birth.

Following the death of Chaim Weizmann in 1952, Einstein declined an offer to become President of Israel, citing ill health and a lack of experience "dealing properly with people and... exercising official functions." Einstein died in 1955.

Hebrew University opened officially in 1925. Today it has three campuses in Jerusalem and one in Rehovot, 5 affiliated teaching hospitals (including the Hadassah Medical Center), 7 faculties, more than 100 research centers, and 315 academic departments. Winners of 15 Nobel Prizes and winners of other prestigious awards have been affiliated with the University.

DECEMBER BRUNCH

by Stan Feinstein

Our next brunch will be held in the Clubhouse I Crystal Ballroom on Sunday, December 17 beginning at 10 a.m. Musical entertainment will be provided by the a cappella group Chai Dynamics. They will be presenting Hanukkah music and more.

Tickets are available at Clubhouse I, Lifestyle Office from November 14th through December 11th. The brunch, which is open to JRLW members only, costs \$21.00 per person. Payment is by check only, made out to JRLW.

CANTOR'S CORNER 102

Cantor Michael Kravitz



Some years ago, Cheryl and I were at the Kennedy Center to hear a concert of December seasonal music. It was performed by the National Symphony Pops Orchestra under the direction of Stephen

Reineke. It was a very pleasant evening of music with most of the songs on the program needing no introduction. However, there was one piece with which I was not familiar. It was a Chanukah song entitled "MI ZEH HIDLIK (Who Has Lit (these thin candles?)," and it's a song I think all of you would enjoy. The arrangement featured the orchestra and first-chair cello soloist David Hardy. Hardy's solo playing was very moving, and the orchestra provided a fitting accompaniment.

When I got home, I immediately went to the computer to find out more about this song. The words were written by Ukrainian-Israeli writer Levin Kipnis (1894-1990) and the melody is credited to Shmuel Shapira who adapted it from an old Polish Chassidic melody. Here is the transliterated text.

MI ZEH HIDLIK NAY-ROTE DAKIM, KA-KOCHAVIM BAROM?

YOD'IM GAM TINOKOT RAKIM KI CHANUKAH HAYOM.

CHORUS; LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA LA CHANUKAH HAYOM

KOL NER ALIZ KOL NER CHAVIV DOLEK, ROMEZ, NOTZETZ.

HATINOKOT OMDIM SAVIV V'LASIMCHAH EIN KETZ. CHORUS.

And here is a translation of the text.

WHO HAS LIT THESE THIN CANDLES THAT ARE LIKE STARS FROM ABOVE?

THE CHILDREN THEMSELVES KNOW THAT CHANUKAH IS TODAY.

Chorus: LA LA LA LA ...CHANUKAH IS TODAY.

EVERY JOYOUS CANDLE, EVERY LOVABLE CANDLE BURNS, HINTS AND SPARKLES.

THE CHILDREN STAND AROUND AND THEIR JOY IS WITHOUT END. CHORUS.

If you are interested in hearing this song, there are two versions online that I highly recommend. The first is done by a women's chorus with piano accompaniment. Type into your browser "USC ORIANA WOMEN'S CHORUS 'MI ZEH HIDLIK.'" The second version is very much like the one Cheryl and I heard at the Pops Concert. It is done by the Toronto Symphony with solo cello. Type in "TORONTO SYMPHONY 'MI ZEH HIDLIK.'" You'll hear an absolutely wonderful orchestral version.

I plan to use this song as part of the JRLW Chanukah program on December 11, 2023. Specifics concerning this program can be found in this edition of the MEGILLAH. I hope to see all of you there and wish you a "Chag Chanukah Sameach" in person.

May 2024 be a good year for all of us. Be well and stay safe.

JEWISH WAR VETERANS

KRIEGER-LOUBE POST 567

Jerome Cohen



The next members' monthly business meeting will be held via Zoom on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 11 a.m. Current and prospective members are invited to participate in these friendly and welcoming meetings. Zoom instructions will be provided separately to all members a day or two prior.

Happy December birthday wishes to Post patron and member Charmaine Jackson and Mitchell Stern, respectively.

Jewish men and women who served honorably during war or peacetime in any branch of the U.S. Military, on active or reserve duty, as national guardsmen, or in the PHSCC or NOAA Corps are eligible to join the Post. All other men and women may apply for Patron membership.

For additional information or questions about membership, contact Post Commander Jerome Cohen at 301-442-4942 or jeromeacohen67@outlook.com.

Donations to the Post are appreciated and may be made payable to "JWV 567" and mailed to Dottie Chanil, 3829 Glen Eagles Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20906.

TURN AROUND AND THE CIRCLE GAME – THE PASSAGE OF TIME IN SONG



By Cantor Wendy
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We are already in the final month of 2023 and as I get older, I am incredulous at how quickly a week passes by, let alone one year! Growing up through the decades, I played and sang two songs that gave me a perspective on the passage of time. Often I have been asked to sing these songs at various B'nai Mitzvot – knowing that the celebrated child really did not understand the depth of the meaning, but all who attended above the age of 21 understood the message in varying degrees.

Turn Around written in 1957 by Harry Belafonte, Malvina Reynolds, and Alan Greene tugs at the emotions of parents realizing that time has passed so quickly, and their little girl is now a woman, grown, having children of her own. The almost hauntingly beautiful melody is so simple, yet it provides a perfect background for these deep emotions.

The Circle Game by Joni Mitchell in 1966 was not written with the idea of the passage of time from the perspective of a parent, but as a response to Neil Young's song, Sugar Mountain. Young's song was sending the message that you could not be relevant once you are past 21 years of age and play with your young band friends in a club. Mitchell's song responded by providing hope for the generation that was moving into true adulthood by saying, "There'll be new dreams, maybe better dreams, and plenty; before the last revolving year is through."

It really lets us know that often the intention of the lyricist/composer may often be in one direction, but for the listener, may be interpreted in a completely different manner based on their emotions and the context of their life at a particular moment in time.

Now as a wife, mother, and grandmother, the lyrics in *Turn Around* frequently come into my mind as I observe my sons and granddaughters. And, more personally, I feel the passage of time in *The Circle Game* - "We can't return, we can only look, behind from where we came and go round and round and round in the circle game." Those lyrics are what

I "hear" as we prepare for 2024 and every time I celebrate my birthday in June.

Music is personal and we all derive meaning from our own experiences. With each passing calendar year I focus on celebrating the fast-paced days and am grateful for my dear family and friends. Most importantly, I want a peaceful and compassionate world for all. Wishing all my dear JRLW friends a very happy, healthy, and peaceful 2024!

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PROGRAM AND EDUCATION REPORT

Becky Siman

A special thank you goes to the Israel 75 committee members for planning four diverse programs to celebrate Israel's 75 years of statehood – Marsha Bernstein, Judi Broida, Debbie Gann, Ellyn Kaufman, Nancy Grossman and Dorothy Sadick. In addition, thank you for helping the day of the event – Linda Nelson, Len Davidson, and Leah Weisman.

Another thank you goes to Jack Tennenbaum and the Holocaust Commemoration Committee for a meaningful Kristallnacht program with Shelby Gadol from the ADL. The committee includes Esther Goldstein, Suzy Klein, Lois Schmeidler, Susan Weiss, and Leah Weisman.

Thursday, December 7, 4 p.m. Vodka and Latkes from the Social Activities Committee. See article.

Monday, December 11, Annual Chanukah Musical program with Cantor Michael Kravitz. See article and flyer

Sunday, December 17, Brunch. See article and flyer.

Hold the date for Monday, Jan 8, 2024, Book and Author program with Deborah Kalb for her book, *Off to Join the Circus*. See article and flyer.

Help Wanted: Looking for a person to chair an **Israel Activities Committee**. It involves creating ideas for programs and implementing at least one program a year. You will have support from the program committee for implementation details like booking rooms, creating flyers, and other publicity. Contact Becky Siman rmrsiman@gmail.com

Bender JCC Coming of Age Events

Check out their website <https://www.benderjccgw.org/adults2/coming-of-age-in-maryland/> or just type in Bender JCC Coming of Age into your search engine.

Contact Frieda Enoch for more information on 301 343-3832 or fenoeh@benderjccgw.org.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2024.
1:30 PM – CLUBHOUSE II
AUDITORIUM.**

BOOK EVENT WITH DEBORAH KALB

Author Deborah Kalb, will appear to discuss her first adult fiction book *Off to Join the Circus*. Deborah has written three novels for children and nonfiction for adults. She and her father, Marvin Kalb, co-authored *Haunting Legacy: Vietnam and the American Presidency from Ford to Obama*. She's the host of the blog Book Q&As with Deborah Kalb, where she interviews an eclectic range of authors. Deborah is a former longtime D.C.-based journalist covering Congress and politics.

Off to Join the Circus is the fictional account of what happens to a close-knit (and some would say neurotic) Jewish family of suburban Washington, D.C., when a relative returns after 64 years.

Adele Pinsky ran away as a teenager back in 1954, perhaps to join a circus. The repercussions from her departure reverberated down the generations, affecting her younger brother, Howard, now a 75-year-old retired lawyer; his educator wife, Marilyn; their three daughters; and their two teenaged grandsons. Adele's reappearance in 2018, at a moment when the family is preparing for the younger grandson's bar mitzvah and the birth of the middle daughter's baby, upends the Pinsky family's assumptions about one another in hilarious and poignant ways.

Besides learning to love the family, you will enjoy the references to so many places you will recognize in DC and Montgomery County. The book can be found in your favorite bookstore or online.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER
21, 2023, 7 P.M., CLUBHOUSE
II - IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE
MOVIE**

**SPONSORED BY CLUB TO
HELP THE HOMELESS &
WORKING POOR**

Come see *It's a Wonderful Life* on Thursday, December 21, in Clubhouse II sponsored by Club to Help the Homeless & Working Poor (CHWP).

Admission (at the door) is pay what you want by check made out to **The Interfaith Chapel**, and write **CHWP** on the memo line. All donations will help feed Leisure World residents and/or support homeless shelters which house Montgomery County's women, men and children. JRLW participates as a member of the club.

**ORDER YOUR 2024 MAH
JONGG CARD FROM JRLW**



If you ordered last year, you will receive correspondence from the National Mah Jongg League shortly. If you want, use the label they send you when you order your 2024 Mah Jongg card. Prices remain the same ... \$14 for standard size and \$15 for a large size. I will need your order and check (made out to JRLW) by January 10th, 2024. Mail to Lois Schmeidler, 3200 N. Leisure World Blvd., #705, Silver Spring, MD 20906.

You can also drop off your forms prior to the start of the following JRLW events

Monday Dec 11, Chanukah Party Clubhouse II,
Activities Room
1:15 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Sunday, Dec 17, Brunch Clubhouse I near the
Crystal Ballroom
9:15 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Let your friends know that we will be providing this service.

HADASSAH

Sandy Stein

On Wednesday, December 13th, at 2PM in Club House I, Ruach Hadassah will celebrate Hanukkah with games of Bingo. The afternoon will include candle lighting, special refreshments, and prizes.

A donation of \$10.00 can be paid at the door with a check payable to Hadassah, or cash. Everyone is invited to attend. Members who bundled for the year are admitted without additional charges. If you would like to make an additional end of year donation, Hadassah thanks you for your support.

The Hadassah Judaic Studies Group meets on Monday, December 18 at 1:30pm on Zoom. An email will be forwarded from Hadassah with the topic for December. All are welcome to attend. Hadassah members will receive an email notice with a link to access the program. Others may send an email to Marilyn Jordan at mjordan2262@comcast.net to request the link.

Elaine Schenberg and Jan Bloom sell Hadassah greeting cards. The price of cards is \$3 each for one to three cards and \$2.50 each for four or more cards. Call Elaine at 301-598-0079 or Jan at 301-593-7720 to buy cards. They will even send them for you if you add postage costs.

Beverly Weinstein is chair of Hadassah's Youth Aliah/Children at Risk project, which is currently accepting Ukrainian children into their youth villages in Israel. Consider a donation to this worthwhile project. Those who would like to contribute can send a check, payable to Hadassah, to Beverly Weinstein at 12524 Eastbourne Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20994. For questions call her at 301-622-1613. Hadassah encourages women of any faith to join as an annual or life member. Special associate membership is available to men. If interested in knowing more about Hadassah, contact Linda Epstein at 301-847-9650.

RITUAL COMMITTEE

Ellyn Kaufman

Shalom Friends,

JRLW is very fortunate to have Shabbat and holiday services here on property at LW. These receptions after services, known as Oneg or Kiddush, take some work, thought and preparation. We are very fortunate to have teams of Oneg or Kiddush volunteers. Thanks to Barbara Jacobowitz and her volunteers for assisting with the Friday Onegs, first Friday of each month; and to Anita Sperling, frequently assisted by Helen Goldberg and Esther Goldstein for the Kiddush on the second Saturday of the month. How can you help, you ask? We would love for you to remember a loved one or honor special people in your life by sponsoring the Oneg for Kiddush.

Thank you to Janet and Sydney Lazar and Helen and Stuart Goldberg for co-sponsoring the November Saturday morning Kiddush in November.

Please feel free to contact me at ellynsu@verizon.net, if you would like to sponsor an Oneg/Kiddush – we are very grateful!

If you have checked your calendar for 2023, you probably noticed that Chanukah begins on the eve of December 7, with the lighting of the first candle.

Please celebrate with your LW friends as Cantor Michael Kravitz delights us with a special Chanukah presentation on Monday, December 11 at 2:00 pm in the Activities Room of Clubhouse I.

Quick refresher:

Chanukah is known by different names and many different spellings. It is called the Feast of Dedication, Festival of Lights, or Feast of the Maccabees. In Hebrew, the term means dedication. It always starts on the 25th day of the Hebrew month of Kislev, which actually starts the night before at sunset. Most kids are well aware that Chanukah is celebrated for eight days, which in my household meant 8 nights of presents - maybe socks or hats for one of the nights and we tried to make at least one of the nights about gifts for the less fortunate. Chanukah reaffirms the ideals of Judaism and commemorates in particular the rededication of the Second Temple of Jerusalem.

This year, the only gift we absolutely must have

is the gift of peace and hopefully by the time you receive this bulletin, all the hostages will be back home, safely, with their families. Then, we can celebrate with *soofganiyot* (filled doughnuts) and latkes!

May the only Jewish country in the world, our homeland, Eretz Yisrael, be able to rededicate itself to reunification of families and be a light unto all the nations of the world!

Wishing you and your family a *Hag Chanukah Sameach*, a happy Chanukah!

TZEDAKAH, KIDDUSH AND ONEG DONATIONS

For information about Tzedakah, Oneg or Kiddush donations, please call Susan Weiss at 301-460-6030. Checks should be made out to JRLW and mailed to Susan Weiss, 3739 Glen Eagles Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20906.

Tzedakah, Yizkor, and Kiddush Donations

Yizkor donation by Janet and Sidney Lazar in Memory of Michelle Lazar, Jane Elin Shafritz, Steven Shafritz, Miriam Atkin, and Sonia Korenblit.

Yizkor donation from Terri Shack.

Kiddush donation by Janet and Sidney Lazar in Honor of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Kiddush sponsored by Helen and Stuart Goldberg for Birthdays of Helen Goldberg, brother-in-law Dr. Melvyn Goldberg; Helen's sister Arlene Tanzer; and granddaughter Elana Phillips for Yahrzeits of Helen's aunt, Ada Wolodarsky, and Helen's mother, Beatrice Gelvin.

Tzedakah donation by Harriet and Stanley Garfinkle in Memory of Charles Fink.

Tzedakah donation by Norman Salenger in honor of Jerome Cohen serving as Commander of the Jewish War Veterans of Leisure World.

Tzedakah donation by Norman Salenger proudly marking his twenty ninth year as a JRLW member.

Tzedakah donation by Sandy and Sidney Gritz in honor of Bernie Ascher's 90th birthday.

Tzedakah donation by Sandy Estrain in honor of Bernie Ascher's 90th birthday.

GOOD AND WELFARE

Refuah Schlema

Marge Auerbach
Marlene Naide

Mazel Tov

To Carole Bernstein in her new home
To Janet and Sid Lazar on their 60th anniversary

Thank You

To Leah Weisman for introducing JRLW to her granddaughter Hannah Weisman, who was the host of the Israeli Dancing program.

To Leah Weisman for her introduction to ADL through her daughter-in-law Rebecca Weisman.

What a delight to have your family so involved in Jewish activities throughout the area.

HAVE A SPECIAL MILESTONE, EVENT, OR SOMEONE YOU WANT TO HONOR?

A meaningful way to share your birthday, anniversary, special event news or to honor your loved one is to host an Oneg Shabbat at the monthly Friday Shabbat Service or a Kiddush at the monthly Saturday Shabbat Service.

Your sponsorship will be announced in the monthly Megillah and in the emails before the Shabbat Service so JRLW friends and others can come enjoy your sponsorship.

Please contact Ritual Chair Ellyn Kaufman at ellynsu@verizon.net for more details.

A minimum donation of \$50 will be appreciated.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Fred Springer

The December 7, Vodka and Latkes and Jelly Donuts celebration for the upcoming holiday of Hanukkah is almost here. Entertainment will be provided by a singing guitarist. **Registration is closed** and we want to thank all who signed up.

Watch for it. We are also planning a fifties, sixties and seventies musical review party for late February. We anticipate having live singers for your enjoyment. Further details will follow.

As I have mentioned before, if you have a social activity to propose and will lead a group of our committee members to bring it to life, join us by contacting Fred Springer by text to 301 213 5482.

RECIPE CORNER

OVEN "FRIED" POTATOES

By Marcia Crystal

4 large unpeeled potatoes cut into wedges

¼ Cup of Oil

1 TBSP grated parmesan cheese

¼ tsp garlic powder

¼ tsp paprika

1/8 teaspoon pepper

Arrange potato wedges peel-side down in a shallow baking pan. Mix remaining ingredients

together. Dip each potato wedge in mixture. Bake in a 375 degree oven for 45-50 minutes.

Upcoming JRLW Book Club Events

January 8, 2024
1:30-3:30pm

OFF TO JOIN THE CIRCUS



AUTHOR and Moderator: DEBORAH KALB

Clubhouse I AUDITORIUM

***Off to Join the Circus* focuses on an overly enmeshed, neurotic Jewish family in the Washington, D.C., area, and what happens when a relative returns after 64 years**

March 11, 2024
10-12am

THREE MUSES



Author and Moderator: MARTHA ANN TOLL

Clubhouse I MONTGOMERY ROOM

Three Muses is a love story that enthralls a tale of Holocaust survival venturing through memory, trauma, and identity while raising the curtain on the unforgiving discipline of ballet.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT STEVE COHEN AT 301 667 3099 OR STEVECOHENJD@GMAIL.COM.

JRLW Sunday Brunch

December 17 at 10:00am



Choir Group - Hanukkah Music and more

Crystal Ballroom, Clubhouse I

Includes full Sunday food buffet:

Member's only price is \$21.00 per person

✓ **Make checks payable to JRLW**

Pay by check only at the Clubhouse / Lifestyle office:

Tickets are available for purchase.

November 21 – December 11 at Clubhouse I

- ✓ We will place you at a reserved table. If there are other members with whom you would like to sit (tables of up to ten), please list them.
- ✓ All seats must be paid for at the time of purchase to reserve a table or partial table. Only checks accepted for payment. No refunds on tickets.

Name(s):

Phone Number:

Email Address (Optional):

- ✓ Please bring this form with you to purchase your tickets.
- ✓ Seat assignments will be given at the reception/check-in tables beginning at 9:45 am.

Jewish Residents of Leisure World



Celebrate Chanukah



A MUSICAL CHANUKAH AFTERNOON

WITH CANTOR MIKE KRAVITZ

Monday, December 11, 2023

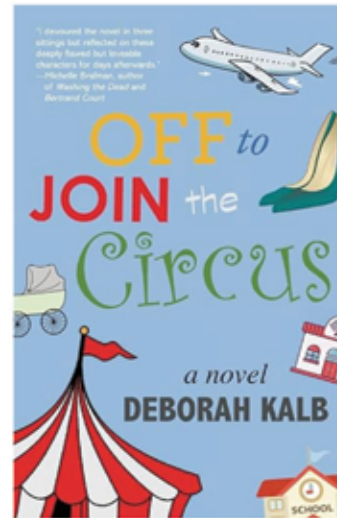
2 p.m. Clubhouse II Activities Room



Happy Hanukkah

An Interactive Presentation and Sing Along

No Fee and No Registration Needed



The Jewish Residents of Leisure World Presents
 A Deborah Kalb Book Event
Off to Join the Circus

Monday, January 8, Clubhouse II Auditorium
 1:30 p.m.

Sixty-four years after her disappearance, Adele suddenly returns on her brother, Howie's 75th birthday and slowly but surely inserts herself into the lives of her brother, sister-in-law, three nieces and 2 great nephews all in different stages of navigating through life.

Adele's return is the initial activity in the story, but real story is how the rather neurotic Jewish family managed without her and then with her. The book is set in suburban DC.

Off to Join the Circus is Deborah Kalb's first adult fiction book having written children's books and nonfiction with her father, Marvin Kalb.

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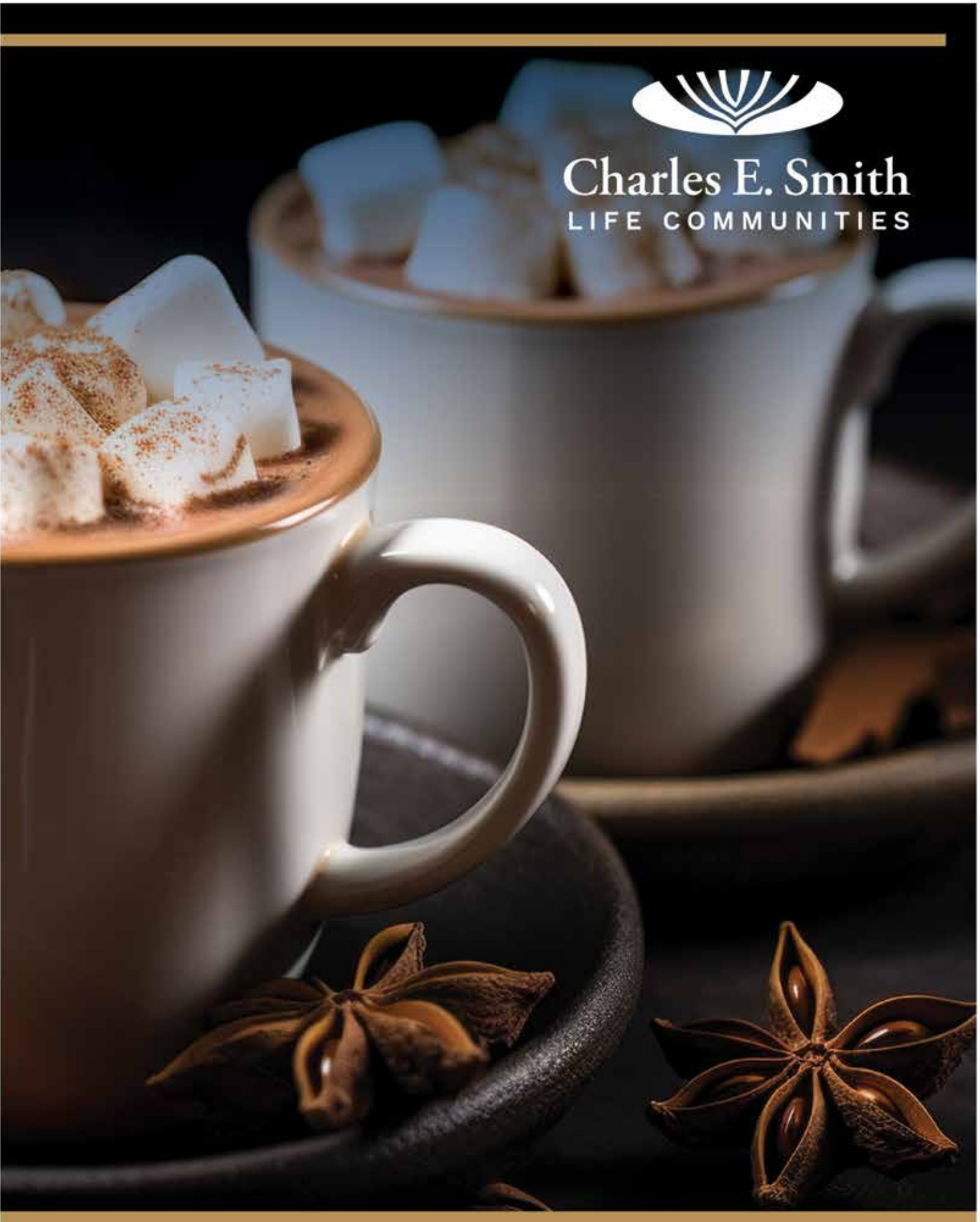
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|------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | | | | | Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m. 4:26 | 1 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| | | JRLW Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. | Jewish War Veterans 11 a.m. Hadassah Board Meeting 7 p.m. | Latkes and Vodka 4 p.m. | | Shabbat Service 9:15 a.m. |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| | Chanukah Musical Celebration 2 p.m. | | Hadassah Chanukah Celebration 2 p.m. | | | |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| JRLW Brunch 10 a.m. | Hadassah Judaic Studies 1:30 p.m. | | | | | |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
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