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JOEL L. KRISTAL

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

L'shana tovah.

There is so much to write about. Good news about JRLW in Leisure World and the bad news about the growth of antisemitism all around us, and the terror in Israel.

I'll start with the good news. JRLW continues to grow in membership as well as events. This year we can expect to continue our Religious Services, Discussion and Book Review Groups, Movies, Holocaust Remembrance, Brunches and much more. All brought to you by wonderful and hard-working volunteers who support JRLW. I wish to thank them all. We encourage all of our members to help spread the word about all JRLW has to offer our Jewish community and encourage them to join JRLW so they will be able to take advantage of all our events, including our monthly religious services. Of course, everyone is invited to purchase tickets for our High Holiday Services.

The bad news is we continue to see the growth of anti-Israel, antisemitism and pro-Hamas rallies on the news every day. Israel is attacked by Hamas or Hezbollah every day. Israel is condemned on

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SEPTEMBER DATES

- 03 Tue – JRLW Board Mtg. 7:30 pm
- 04 Wed – Hadassah Board
- 06 Fri – Shabbat Svc CH II 7:30 pm
- 08 Sun – Winery Gathering CH I 10 am
- 09 Mon – Book Club
- 11 Wed – JRLW/JCC Movie "Ask Dr. Ruth" CH II 1:30 pm
- 14 Sat – Shabbat Svc 9:15 am
- 15 Sun – JRLW Brunch CH I 10 am
- 16 Mon – Hadassah Study Group CH I 2 pm
- 17 Tue – Active Shooter Training CH I 2-4 pm
- 25 Wed – Community Shlichim Panel CH I 7 pm

RELIGIOUS SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

On Friday, September 6, we will have Reform Shabbat Services, in Clubhouse II at 7:30 pm. The services will be conducted by Rabbi Gary Fink and Cantor Wendy Gonzales. Our Shir Delight Choir will perform. There will be an Oneg following Services.

There will be a Conservative Shabbat Service on Saturday, September 14, in Clubhouse II at 9:15 am. The Torah portion will be Ki Teitzei. Cantor Mike Kravitz will conduct these services. There will be a Kiddush afterwards.



President's Message

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many news stations and by a handful of politicians for defending itself. Yes, civilian casualties are terrible, but they are a product of war. I try to keep my columns apolitical so you can draw your own conclusions.

How bad is antisemitism? According to CNN, quoting ADL sources, "Between 2021 and 2022, incidents of physical assault jumped by more than a quarter, with more than half targeting Orthodox Jews. Acts of vandalism surged by 51%, and harassment rose by 29%. Every fourth American Jewish adult, Orthodox or not, was targeted in an antisemitic incident ranging from physical attacks to remarks in person or online, a separate survey by the American Jewish Committee (AJC) published in February (2022) found."

As if that's not enough, you can do a quick search on Google for incidents closer to home. According to the Washington Post, Petula Dvorak, October 9, 2023: "Antisemitic incidents in the United States reached historic levels in 2022 — the highest since the ADL began collecting data in 1979, according to its audit. ...the Jewish Community Center in Fairfax County was covered in 19 swastikas overnight in 2018."

Pamela Nadell is remembering the words painted on a fence near her home in a liberal, diverse suburb of D.C.: "No Mercy For Jews." "We are definitely worried that here in the U.S. and here in our region," she said, "when something happens in Israel, we see it repeated here." She'll never forget when she came face to face with vandalism she didn't expect in America, let alone this region, in 2018....

she saw swastikas and "KKK" scrawled all over the place where her family worships in Gaithersburg, Maryland, the Shaare Torah synagogue.... someone painted "Jews Not Welcome" on the entrance sign to the campus of Walt Whitman High School in Bethesda. Hundreds of students walked out of class to protest the message."

What can we do? Be vocal about stopping antisemitism. Write your Congressional representatives and tell them to support funding Israel now and stop haggling over linking it to bills that do not affect Israel. Let them know that if colleges don't take action to curtail pro Hamas rallies calling for the extermination of Jews, that federal funding should be cut. The school year is about to begin and so are the demonstrations. It's not a Democrat or Republican issue that Israel needs help from the U.S.

As mentioned in previous columns, what can we here in Leisure World, thousands of miles away from the Hamas brutality, is to open our wallets and donate to Israeli charities. The money of course helps, but it also shows that Jews in America support Israel.

Rosh Hashana starts Friday night, October 2nd and the Days of Awe is a time for Tzedakah.

Speaking of Tzedakah, JRLW would like to thank the Torchinsky Hebrew Funeral Home for their continued support of the JRLW "Book of Remembrance of Names."

As always, I like to close with a few thoughts from Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks, of blessed memory. I've selected a few quotations from his Rosh Hashana thoughts that are over 20 years old. Considering their age, it is amazing how apropos they're today. You can see them all at <https://rabbisacks.org>, his web page.

A Collection of Messages for Rosh Hashanah by Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks:

Rosh Hashanah 5775/2014

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NOTICE: THE DEADLINE FOR THE OCTOBER MEGILLAH IS SEPTEMBER 10. ARTICLES SUBMITTED AFTER THAT DATE WILL APPEAR IN THE NOVEMBER MEGILLAH.

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President's Message

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"5774 was the year when it became dangerous to be a Jew. Israel, subject to sustained missile attack, discovered how hard it is to fight an asymmetric war against a terrorist group ruthless enough to place rocket launchers beside schools, hospitals and mosques. It found itself condemned by large sections of the world for performing the first duty of any state, namely to protect its citizens from danger and death."

"Antisemitism returned to the streets of Europe. 120 years after the Dreyfus trial, the cry "Death to the Jews" was heard again in Paris. 70 years after the Holocaust, the call of "Jews to the gas" was heard in the streets of Germany. There were times when it felt as if the ghost of a past we thought long dead had risen to haunt us. More times than was comfortable I heard Jews say, "For the first time in my life I feel afraid."

Rosh Hashanah 5768/2007

"This past year things have not gone easily for Jews, for Israel, or the world. In Britain there has been a continuing campaign of demonization against Israel. Elsewhere terror and violence have reduced entire countries to what Hobbes called "the war of every man against every man" in which life is "nasty, brutish and short". What is it that we are living through?"

Rosh Hashanah 5764/2003

"We enter the New Year, this year as last, poised between hope and fear. The situation in Israel remains uncertain. Elsewhere, antisemitism is on the rise. The international arena is still tense: neither the campaigns in Afghanistan nor Iraq have not ended the threat of terror of which the West has been aware since the attack on the World Trade Center two years ago. Individually, we live in an age of rapid and unpredictable change."

Rosh Hashanah 5762/2001

"The ten days that begin the Jewish year are a period of spiritual accounting. We look back and ask, "What did we do with G-d's most precious gift, the gift of time?" We do this personally as individuals, but we also do it collectively as a community. We ask G-d to remember the good, forgive the bad, and give us the inner strength to do better in the future. Where have we been as a community?"

Rosh Hashanah 5758/1997

"During these Ten Days of Teshuvah, may each of us reflect on what we can do to make this come about – and may 5758 be a year of health and blessing, peace and prosperity for you, your families and the Jewish people."

My (Joel's) final thoughts for today: For the past 3000 years, we, as a people, have been able to survive. At times, it is/was difficult to be a Jew. We continue to be a light to the world on ethical and just behavior. Israel remains a beacon of religious tolerance. With the continued help from G-D, we, and Israel, will survive these chaotic times.

Wishing you a Happy, Healthy New Year. And for those practicing Yiddish: "A gut gebentsht yohr," "A good and blessed year."

Shalom

GOOD AND WELFARE

Suzy Klein is still in rehab at The Village of Rockville. She would appreciate your prayers of healing for her. She can be reached at The Village of Rockville, ATTN: SUSAN KLEIN, Room 1129, 9701 Veirs Drive, Rockville, MD 20850. Her phone number is 301-789-9667.

Our sincere thanks to Susan Weiss who has been handling Tzedakah, Kiddush and Oneg donation for many years. Susan is resigning. Carole Wendkos will now be taking care of these donations as well as Torah Maintenance Fund donations. Prayer book donations will still be handled by Florence Kasden.

We are so very happy that our Cantor Mike Kravitz and his family are all over COVID. Welcome back Mike!

Bert Crystal is still in rehab. We send him our prayers of healing.

Our prayers for healing go to Lila Shapiro who is currently in rehab.

Fred Shapiro, Susan Weiss and Jonas Seiss were honored at our Meet & Greet for their years of hard work for JRLW! Thank you and Mazel Tov!

If you have some news or additional names to add to this Good and Welfare column, please contact Nancy Grossman at 301-455-5243 or nhgrossman@gmail.com.



CANTOR'S CORNER

Michael Kravitz



At the end of August's column, I mentioned that my September column would discuss my first day as a seventh-grade Sunday School teacher for the Bethesda-Chevy

Chase Jewish Community Group. Here is the rest of the story.

When I arrived at the Hebrew Academy on 16th St. NW, I found out where my classroom was and checked out the books I would issue to the students in my class. I still remember the names of 18 of those students, and that may have been all the students who were in the class. I had prepared a talk, probably more like a college lecture, about what it meant to be Jewish. The students came into the classroom. I introduced myself, took roll, issued the books, and began my presentation. I went on for about 15 minutes, looked at the blank faces and realized it was not working. So, I stopped and said, "Okay, I want each of you to tell me about yourself, what you like to do, and what makes you tick." It was as if a cloud had been lifted. Each pupil rose to my challenge. Each one told me about himself or herself, some quite eloquently. I knew I had some bright students, and I saw that there was a genuine possibility that teaching this group could be a challenging and rewarding experience.

One of the books I issued was called THE RIGHT WAY. It had been written by Lillian Freehof in 1957 and was published by the Reform movement's UAHC (Union of American Hebrew Congregations). Each chapter started with a story to which an 11 or 12-year-old could relate. Questions at the end of each chapter involved Jewish ethics, often directly related to PIRKEY AVOT (the Sayings of the Fathers). I read this book from cover to cover as soon as I got it. The kids loved the stories and had some very animated discussions. The 2-1/4 hours of class time each week just flew by. This very positive experience made me think that the teaching profession might be right for me.

I never did apply to Law School. I did opt to take an additional year of coursework in Science at the American University, culminating in student teaching in Junior High science in the spring of

1970. I was hired almost immediately by Prince George's County Public Schools, and 2 years later, I transferred to Montgomery County, where I would stay for an additional 29 years.

However, I didn't forget those Jewish roots. I would continue to teach at the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Jewish Community Group Sunday School for 2 more years. I would join the staffs of Temple Sinai and B'nai Israel before branching off on my own to teach private classes of students looking to celebrate a bar or bat mitzvah. And I believe that it is likely that none of this would have happened if I hadn't taken that Sunday School job back in 1968.

But I did. And the rest was history.

Be well and stay safe.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Fred Springer

SAVE THE DATE!

Enjoy food, friends, and wine at a Marvelous Mix and Mingle Soirée. You bring the appetizers and we will supply the wine and the music. Join us on October 20 at 4 o'clock. Watch the next Megillah and your Leisure World News for additional details and ticket purchase.

I hope you were able to participate in our other exciting social events. Though there was much confusion with cancelled shows by Olney theatre, a group of us were lucky enough to enjoy an unforgettable musical, *Beautiful*, the Carole King Story. Some of our art lovers participated in making Rosh Hashanah greeting cards, pictured here. Thank you, Becky Siman, for leading us in this fun event. Good vibes continue in September with a social outing to the Woodbridge Winery (registration closed).

Welcome Diane Lewis to the Social Activities Committee. Diane brings with her a high energy for planning events. You can say hello to Diane at the dance she's putting on September 14 for the Sock Hop Club. We welcome individuals who have ideas and want to help run social events. Call or text Fred Springer, 301-213-5482.



JUST THE RIGHT MUSIC FOR THE OCCASION!



Cantor Wendy cantorwendyg@gmail.com

I love the interchange in Fiddler on the Roof when the Rabbi is asked, "Rabbi, is there a proper blessing for the Tzar?!"

The Rabbi responds, "May G-d bless and keep the Tzar.....far away from us!"

I feel the same way about a niggun (or the plural – niggunim)! The definition of a niggun is a collection of repetitive sounds, i.e. bim bam, lai lai, yai lai lai, ai ai ai, etc. that are set to a melody. They can also be improvised on the spot, but the wonder of the niggun is that it can express joy, lamentation, anticipation, or any number of emotions that allow all to join in without worry that the lyric gets in the way of singing as a congregation.

One might ask, "Cantor, is there a niggun for this occasion?" I would assure them that there is and depending on the tempo and/or the melody used, one can join in song for a hora, a birth, a shiva, or any celebration or gathering which brings the participants together in spirit and song.

I learned a special niggun when I was at Hava Nashira, the spring gathering for cantors and Jewish music composers many years ago that had a special affect for me. The niggun started slow and began to build and became so joyous that I imagined that when I would get off the plane for my first visit to Israel, that this beautiful and exciting niggun would be a part of my exit from the plane to the tarmac. AND IT WAS! I absolutely sang this niggun upon my exit from the plane when I arrived in Tel Aviv.

Again, this beautiful and joyous niggun came to my mind and heart when I watched the plane arrive the evening of August 1, when the American hostages in Russia arrived at Andrews Air Force Base. Watching the impending joy and anticipation of the family, friends, and the President and Vice President waiting for the plane to land and then watching the former hostages deplane was an inspirational, and for me, "niggun-like" moment.

As we continue to gather for Shabbat, High Holiday, or any holiday gathering, please always feel free to

"niggun" your way through any of your favorite melodies! The lyrics are important, but the melody will enhance your experience whether you sing a lyric or turn the melody into a niggun!

HADASSAH NEWS

Sandy Stein

On Wednesday, September 18, the Ruach Chapter of Hadassah will host Weldon Brown from the Olney Theatre Center in Clubhouse 1 at 2 pm. He will give a power point presentation on the history of the theatre and will present the theatre's wonderful upcoming 24-25 season.

Mr. Brown is Director of Sales and Audience Experience at Olney Theatre Center. He has been at the theatre for 30 years starting as the sound engineer and lightboard operator for many productions. Transitioning to the box office in the early 2000's. He became Box Office Manager, and then Director of Patron Services. Now as Director of Sales and Audience Experience, he oversees Ticket Sales, Group Sales, Memberships and Front of House Operations.

Everyone is invited to join us for this informative talk. There will be a \$5.00 fee paid at the door either by cash or check payable to Hadassah. Refreshments will be served.

Mark the following dates on your calendars for our upcoming fall programs. There will be program meetings on October 16th, November 20th and Bingo on December 18th.

The Judaic Studies Group will meet on Monday, September 16, at 2 pm in person in Clubhouse 1, the Annapolis Room. The topic will be "Land Ownership in Palestine, History and Immigration, 1880-1948 Part 2. This session will cover Aliyot (immigration), Arab riots and Refugees to Israel from Arab lands. Our moderator for this discussion is Shari Goldstein. All are welcome and we look forward to seeing both old and new friends.

Hadassah encourages women of any faith to join as an annual or like member. If interested contact Linda Epstein at 301-847-9650 for more information. Hadassah cards for all occasions will be available at our meetings.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Suzy Klein

We hope you enjoyed the lazy days of the end of summer and are now preparing for the brisk pace of our High Holidays and autumn season with family and friends. We are thankful that JRLW was able to provide Reform and Conservative Shabbat Services for our members and their guests during August and we will continue to do so throughout the year.

What an exciting time to be a Member of JRLW and to enjoy the countless activities that JRLW has, including our fabulous Meet & Greet party, movies, special events including our Annual Golf Tournament and the JRLW Book Club. Our High Holidays are approaching this October. Our Brunches are also beginning in September. Look for flyers with instructions on ordering tickets for these events and countless others are in the pages of The Megillah, on our JRLW website, www.jrlwmd.org and our closed Facebook page. The Jewish Residents of Leisure World welcomes and encourages suggestions and new ideas. We will continue to sponsor interesting activities throughout the year

Our membership continues to grow month by month. Remember our new registration is from January 1-December 31, 2024. online www.jrlwmd.org.

You must be a member to join certain activities that JRLW sponsors. If you will be attending member-only activities with a significant other, please register "Dual" as noted on the membership form. Encourage those who are not members to join.

Our monthly Members-Only Brunches are our most popular and well attended events. Volunteers would be appreciated to support our check-in process and 50-50 raffle for April and May. Please contact Nancy Grossman at 301-455-5243.

To see a full list of our events and activities published on our JRLW website www.jrlwmd.org and our closed JRLW private Facebook page. Our closed group is used to provide calendar of events, discussion groups, announcements, information about cultural events and Judaic content as well as

messages between members.

If you would like to join our private JRLW Facebook, please contact Alan Nelson at apnelson8@yahoo.com, or Carol Wendkos at carolwendkos@gmail.com.

Please remember to introduce yourself to those who you do not know when you are attending our Services and Events. Also, please encourage those who are not members to join our organization. Shana Tova and thank you for being a Member of the Jewish Residents of Leisure World

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SEPTEMBER BRUNCH

Stan Feinstein

As reported here last month, our 2024-25 JRLW Brunch schedule will kick off in high style on Sunday, September 15, 2024, with a highlight performance by long-time favorite Daryl Davis. His presentation is entitled, "**Oldies but Goodies, with an emphasis on songs written by, made popular by, or produced by Jewish people in the music industry**".

Tickets will be available at the Clubhouse I Lifestyle Office from August 12 (note the change from August 20) through September 9. The brunch, **which is open to JRLW members only**, now costs \$25.00 per person. Tables may be reserved for up to 11 people. Payment is by check only, made out to JRLW. A maximum of 220 tickets will be sold for this event.



PROGRAM AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Becky Siman

**Wednesday, September 11, 1:30 pm
Clubhouse II Auditorium**

JRLW/JCC Movie -- ASK DR. RUTH



Dr. Ruth Westheimer passed away on July 12, 2024, at the age of 96. This documentary chronicles her life, a Holocaust Survivor who became America's most famous sex therapist, author, and talk show host.

Tickets are \$10 and sold at both Clubhouses from August 20 to September 10. Checks only, made out to JRLW. \$12 at the door.

**Wednesday, September 25, 7 pm,
Clubhouse I Maryland Room**

A Panel of Israeli Community Shlichim in the DMV – Visions and Challenges in Representing Israel

Each year, through a program of The Jewish Agency for Israel and funding from The Jewish Federation, Shlichim (Israeli emissaries) arrive in the Greater Washington area to connect with our community and transform our relationship with Israel.

The community Shlichim have diverse professional and personal backgrounds and are selected from different parts of Israeli society. They serve in the community's congregations and schools, and offer unique programming designed to increase Jewish awareness, knowledge, and pride; bridge the gap between Jews of different backgrounds and the State of Israel; and promote an understanding of Israel and its ideals – both at their "home" institutions and the larger community.

Come meet Abraham Belilty, Avia Halevi and Avi Eisen. Abraham is from Haifa and is resident Shaliach at Shaare Torah. Avia is the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington's Educational

Engagement Shlichah. Ari is from Beit Shemesh and is the resident Shaliach at Beth Shalom Congregation.

Take advantage of this opportunity to hear from and interact with folks representing Israel during a most challenging time. This program is free, no registration necessary. See the flyer in this Megillah for more information.

Sunflower Bakery Items for Rosh Hashanah to be Delivered to Leisure World

Order from Sunflower Bakery and Pick Up Your Order in Leisure World on Tuesday, October 1 from 10 am to 11 am



JRLW has once again arranged with Sunflower Bakery to have Rosh Hashanah cookies, cakes, and challah orders delivered to a pick-up point in Leisure World.

Ordering can begin on-line begins August 27 and must be completed by noon on September 25. Pick up will be on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, from 10 am to 11 am in front of Clubhouse II.

You can order on <https://www.sunflowerbakery.org/> or call them directly on 240-361-3698. Be sure to select Leisure World as your pick-up location. Copies of the menu will be available in the JRLW mail slot in Clubhouse I Lifestyle Office.

If you would like to help distribute the orders at the pickup site on October 1, please call Shari Goldstein on 240-293-6442 or email her on sgoldstein31@cs.com.

A direct link to the ordering site and a copy of the menu will be available soon.

Sunflower Bakery provides skilled job training and employment for adults 18+ with learning differences in pastry arts, production baking, barista service and front of house operations.

TZEDAKAH, KIDDUSH, TORAH MAINTENANCE AND ONEG DONATIONS

It's been an honor for me to process your donations all these years. But now it is time for a new person to take over this job. That person is Carole Wendkos, who will take over this job. So as of September 1, please contact her. Her email is wendkos@gmail.com. She will handle Oneg, Kiddush, Tzedakah and Torah Maintenance Fund.

Susan Weiss

For information about Tzedakah, Oneg or Kiddush donations, please call Susan Carole Wendkos at 301-598-1745. Checks should be made out to JRLW and mailed to Carole Wendkos, at 14805 Pennfield Circle, 3-212, Silver Spring MD 20906.

TZEDAKAH DONATIONS

Yiskor donation by Janet Lazar in memory of Charlotte Lazar, Betty Fruman and Miriam Block.

Yiskor donation by Nola Makofsky.

Yiskor donation by Norman Salenger in memory of Marcia Salenger who passed away in July, 2000.

Donation by Norman Salenger wishing for a full recovery for Shirley Light.

Donation by Norman Salenger wishing for a full recovery for Belinda Adams.

Donation by Maxine Lewack to George Jacobs in honor of his 100th birthday.

Kiddush donation by Nomi and Steve Kline.

Donation by Marilyn and Henry Jordan to good friend Larry Brookman in honor of his special birthday.

Kiddush donation for August by Sharon Freedman.

Donation by Susan and Jonas Weiss to Ann Ruth Volin in memory of her dear husband Rudy Volin.

Sylvia Agin Proger in memory of her dear sister Jean Agin Campion.

Donation by Susan M. Klein in memory of her father, Neil Kabatchnick.



TRIPS

Sue Sandler

It's time to plan our next JRLW trip. There are a couple options and I am looking for feedback.

#1 – Arena Stage

#2 – National Theater

#3 – Roundhouse Theater



OR

A trip to New York to see a show, to visit friends, to go shopping or to spend the day in New York looking around and having lunch there.

All these trips include travel by bus from Leisure World.

If you are interested, please contact Sue Sandler at suecsandler@comcast.net, or call or txt her at 301-219-4449.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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We welcome you and hope you enjoy everything Jewish Residents of Leisure World has to offer!

SAVING CARNEGIE HALL – Part 2 of 2

Bernie Ascher ©

When the Music Hall opened in 1891, a line of horse-drawn carriages formed for one-quarter of a mile, according to newspaper accounts. The crowd filled the Hall. Tickets cost only one dollar. Tchaikovsky earned approximately \$5,000 for his appearance (nearly a full year's salary at the time).

According to Carnegie Hall's website, violinist Isaac Stern mentioned to philanthropist Jacob Kaplan "something more should be done to save the Hall from demolition, and Kaplan agreed to fund a new effort—if Stern would be willing to spearhead the campaign. The violinist happily agreed."

Events moved quickly after Robert Simon announced the planned demolition on January 5, 1960. On January 10, 1960, Stern organized a small gathering of civic leaders in his home and created a committee to get the City of New York to purchase Carnegie Hall. Kaplan pledged \$100,000 toward the campaign.

Stern appealed to politicians and civic leaders; and he asked dozens of famous musicians to sign a petition in favor of saving Carnegie Hall, adding their signatures to thousands already gathered by earlier committees.

In April 1960, the New York State legislature passed the Carnegie Bill, allowing for its purchase by New York City. In May, the New York City Board of Estimate approved the purchase for \$5 million. In July, New York City took ownership of the concert hall and began a 30-year lease to the Carnegie Hall Corporation. Mayor Wagner appointed Stern as President of the corporation. Stern held the title and position for 40 years until he died of heart failure in New York in 2001 at the age of 81.

During that time, he continued performing and traveled to many countries, including Israel, where he discovered two outstanding young violinists, who he brought to America: Itzhak Perlman and Pinchas Zukerman.

Stern earned dozens of music awards, including 7 Grammys, the Kennedy Center Honor (1984), and the Medal of Freedom (1992). In 1997, Carnegie Hall named its main hall the Isaac Stern Auditorium.

History will remember him as the man who saved Carnegie Hall.

RECIPE CORNER

SWEET POTATO MASH

Marcia Crystal

- 1 Very large sweet potato
- 2 Teaspoons honey
- 1 Tablespoon margarine
- ¼ Teaspoon lemon pepper seasoning
- ¼ Cup chopped pecans
- ½ Cup miniature marshmallows (if desired)

Bake sweet potato in 400° oven until soft. Peel potato and cut into chunks. Place in bowl. Mash the potato and add rest of ingredients until well mixed. If desired, sprinkle marshmallows on top. Place in oven-proof bowl and return to oven 5 minutes. Serve warm. Enjoy!



ATTENTION COOKS:

Rosh Hashana is coming. Do you have a favorite 'yontif' recipe that you would like to share? Maybe a brisket or a dessert or a side dish? We would like to print your recipe in our October Megillah. Please send your recipe to us at bernicecohen1@gmail.com

RITUAL COMMITTEE

Ellyn Becker Kaufman

Shalom dear friends,

As we approach the Hebrew month of Elul, the month before Rosh Hashanah, it is a time for spiritual reflection and spiritual self-examination. We are asked to consider those we have wronged and attempt to make amends with them, prior to Rosh Hashanah. Not an easy task!

I forgot to mention last month in my article, a thank you to Harold and Ava Geetter, for donating a lovely Shabbat quality white tablecloth for the Reform services, held the first Friday of the month.

I also want to thank the Ritual Committee members for coming to the rescue when I put out a message asking for help - such as packing up books for the "Geniza" (Kosher book burial), and other requests.

If you've been checking out the calendar for this year's Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, you no doubt saw that this year erev Rosh Hashanah begins on the eve of October 2.

Information about the services and ticket sales:

Tickets may be purchased at both Club House I and Club House II. They are on sale now. Price of the ticket for a JRLW member is \$150, non-member \$175. This gets you entrance into either the Reform service or the Conservative service. If you purchase for one, it may be used for the other. We will have ushers at all services to help ensure that we may continue offering services for all members.

Services will be held in Club House I - Reform in the Crystal Ball Room and Conservative in the Maryland Room. Service times are printed on the tickets. If you have difficulty getting your tickets, you may email me and I will (attempt to) help you.

We do not ask for tickets for services during the secular year, but ticket sales for R/H and Y/K help us pay our expenses, which are rising like everything else, each year. We must count on these funds to offset our growing expenses.

Wishing you and your family a terrific fall ahead!

Kol tuv,

Ellyn Becker Kaufman
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TORAH and PRAYER BOOK FUNDS

Individuals can be honored and loved ones memorialized with a contribution to the JRLW Torah or Prayer Book Fund for a minimum donation of \$25.00.

PRAYER BOOK FUND

If you would like to make a donation in honor of or in memory of someone in a Reform prayer book, Conservative Prayer book or a Chumash (Bible), please stipulate which one in your request. Please send your requests to donate prayer books to Florence Kasden, 3100 Leisure World Boulevard, #610, Silver Spring MD 20906. Her phone number is 410-251-9382.



TORAH FUND

For contributions to the Torah Maintenance Fund, send your check, made out to JRLW, to Carol Wendkos, 14805 Pennfield Circle, #212, Silver Spring, MD 20906.

Donation from Ronald Tsimmerman.




ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Never feed your children Rice Crispies! I ate Rice Crispies as a child, now every time I stand up, I Shake, Rattle and Roll!

I don't want to brag too much or make anyone jealous, but I can still fit into the earrings I wore in high school!





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A Panel of Israeli Community Shlichim (Emissaries)
in the DMV

Visions and Challenges Representing Israel Today

Wednesday, September 25, 7:00 p.m. - Clubhouse I Maryland Room

Panelists: Abraham Belilty, Avia Halevi, and Avi Eisen



Abraham is from Haifa and is the resident Shaliach at Shaare Torah. Abraham was born in Venezuela and made *Aliyah* (immigration to Israel) with his family at six years old to Ra'anana. He was a combat medic for most of his Israeli Defense Forces service except for a year when he was part of the education corps to encourage and assist teens before army service to have a meaningful and suitable position. He wishes to be a history and Jewish thought teacher in Israel, hoping to share with his students his understanding of Jewish peoplehood.

Avia was born in Rosh Ha-Ayin to a traditional Yemenite family, as the middle child of five children. She serves as The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington's Educational Engagement Shlichah. Having served in the IDF Air Force as an NCO traffic controller, she currently serves as an active reservist. Avia is an artist. She enjoys exploring ancient crafts such as weaving and woodworking and believes that mutual creation is a great way to connect between individuals of different cultures.

Avi is the eldest of four boys and was raised in the largely Anglo-Saxon community of "Nofei Aviv" in Beit Shemesh. He is the Shaliach in residence at Beth Shalom Congregation. He volunteered to serve in the Navy and after graduating from the Israeli Naval Academy (Hovlim), he served as a ship captain and worked hard to secure the Israeli-Gaza border and is an active reservist. Avi is passionate about Jewish thought and connecting people through ideas.

This program is free, no reservation necessary



Captain Brian Dillman, MCPD

“Citizen’s Response to Active Shooter Events – CRASE”

Guest Speaker: Capt. Brian Dillman

**Tuesday, September 17, 2024, at 2p.m.
Clubhouse I Maryland Room**

Countering an Active Threat:

- What is an active threat?
- Are **you** ready to **ACT**?
- How should **YOU** respond?
- Protection strategies for **YOU** in potential active threat situations.
- National Model: **Avoid, Deny and Defend.**

Presenter: Captain Brian Dillman, MCPD

Captain Brian Dillman has 32 years of law enforcement experience. The past 30 years has been spent with the Montgomery County Maryland Police Department where he is currently the Commander of the First District Station. Brian developed the Active Assailant Protocols for Montgomery County Public Schools and sat on Governor Hogan’s “Maryland Active Assailant Interdisciplinary Work Group” to help mold state legislation as directed by the “Safe to Learn Act”.

No fee or registration required.

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1	2 Labor Day	3 JRLW Board Meeting 7:30 pm	4 Hadassah Bd	5	6 Shabbat Service CH II 7:30 pm 7:10	7
8 Winery Gathering CH I 10 am	9 Book Club	10	11 JRLW/JCC Movie "Ask Dr. Ruth" CH II 1:30 pm	12	13 6:59	14 Shabbat Service CH II 9:15 am
15 JRLW Brunch CH I 10 am	16 Hadassah Study Group CH I 2 pm	17 Active Shooter Training CH I 2-4 pm	18	19	20 6:47	21
22	23	24	25 Community Shlichim Panel CH I 7 pm	26	27 6:36	28
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