



Jewish Residents of Leisure World

Silver Spring, Maryland

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Upcoming Events

(also see the calendar later in this Newsletter)

Sun, Jan 3. Conservative Services
 Wed, Jan 6. Na'Amat open meeting
 Wed, Jan 6. Hadassah Board meeting
 Fri, Jan 8. JRLW Conservative Services
 Sat, Jan 9. Conservative Services
 Sun, Jan 10. Conservative Services
 Mon, Jan 11. JRLW Board meeting
 Tue, Jan 12. deadline for next newsletter
 Wed, Jan 13. Ronnie Baras Comedy Show
 Sun, Jan 17. Conservative Services
 Sun, Jan 17. JRLW Breakfast
 Wed, Jan 20. Hadassah meeting, film
 Sun, Jan 24. Conservative Services
 Tue, Jan 26. Love Songs Around the World
 Sat, Jan 30. Tu B'Shevat
 Sun, Jan 31. Conservative Services
 Sun, Jan 31. Hadassah film, Hungary Embassy

Jewish Religious Services

Friday night Conservative Shabbat service, Jan 8, 2010, at 8pm, in the Inter-Faith Chapel, Rabbi Gary Fink and Cantor Emeritus Mark Levi, Ed Laskin will lead choir, Saturday morning Conservative Shabbat service Jan 9, 2010, Cantor Michael Kravitz, Preliminary service: Justin Kramer, Torah service: Cantor Kravitz assisted by members of JRLW, Haftorah: Jerry Miller, Dvar Torah: Fred Shapiro; Services start at 9:15am in Clubhouse 2, Activities Room

Save the Date!

On Sunday evening, May 23, 2010, JRLW is going to Theater J to see the play, "Mikveh."

New Members

JRLW welcomes the following new members:

- ✓ Elaine Wagner – 3210 NLWB
- ✓ Shirley K. Rosenhaft – 3310 NLWB
- ✓ Yona Reizes – 15030 Candover Court
- ✓ Carolyn Sumner 3210 NLWB

JRLW President's Message

Let me take this opportunity to wish everyone a healthy and happy new year. As Jews, we have the opportunity to do this twice a year. Where the Jewish New Year commences a period of atonement ending in Yom Kippur, the lay New Year is noted for joyous celebrations and the act of making resolutions to improve their lives in the coming year.



As we enter the year 2010, we in JRLW are looking ahead to a brighter year, one filled with many events, programs and educational classes. Our relationship with the Coming of Age program and the JCC of Greater Washington has proven to be of significance in the ability to have top entertainers and lecturers appear here in Leisure World. With our education chairman Mort Rudo and program chair Sheila Chodorov working closely with Selma Sweetbaum and her staff at JCCGW, there is more to come. Keep your eyes on the newsletter and the LW News for articles and calendars announcing these events.

The backbone of JRLW is its committee structure. Without good chairs and committee members who are committed to the growth of JRLW, we would be floundering as if a loose rowboat in a stormy sea. Every committee can use your membership and input, as plans are made and then executed. Take advantage of the talents and experience you have to volunteer for one of our committees. It does not take a huge amount of time to make JRLW activities a success. If each of us pitched in a little here, a little there, we would all benefit.

During the next few weeks, I will be meeting with the chairman of our Nominating Committee Len Teitelbaum to name the members of the Nominating Committee. My term will be coming to an end at the end of May; the new bylaws prescribe the members of the Board, including the chairs of the Standing committees. We will

need a few months to make the selections for your next group of officers and committee chairs.

Let Len Teitelbaum know your thoughts and your desire to be a part of the active leadership of JRLW. We have many people who live in Leisure World who can contribute to the common good. Don't let yourself sink into a retirement mode in which you do nothing. Keep using your expertise for the benefit of all the residents of LW.

Again, a healthy and happy new year.

Fred Shapiro

With An Outreached Hand

It's nice to hear from someone who is interested when you are ill or have lost a loved one. Lilli Kawer serves that purpose for JRLW. She telephones the sick and the survivors and always finds an appreciative audience. If you know of someone who is sick or mourning a lost spouse or relative, contact Lilli at 301-598-8235.

Good and Welfare

Members of Jewish Residents of Leisure World offer condolences to:

- ✧ Ruth Friedman on the loss of her son.
- ✧ Hanna Schepps on the loss of her husband, Allen.
- ✧ The family of Estelle Kern.
- ✧ Shirley Herman on the loss of her husband, Henry.
- ✧ Beatrice Sherman on the loss of her husband, Seymour.

- ✧ Mazel Tov to Marilyn & George Kessler on the birth of their first great grandchild, Yahgel Yisroel Maeir.
- ✧ Congratulations to Sandra & Walter Budman on their 60th Anniversary.
- ✧ A big thank you to everyone who contributed food or money to our drive for Food for the Homeless.
- ✧ Get well wishes to Lucky Malamut, Barbara Kaze, Lois Cohan and Shirley Kirschenbaum.



✧ We're happy to see that Carol Jason is finally home from the hospital and on the mend.

If you know of anyone who is ill, or know good news about someone which should be shared, please email or phone one of the editors of the Newsletter. We want to hear from you.

Leisure World Remembers

JRLW is embarking on a project in concert with the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. The objective is to bring together and interview residents whose memories cover experiences related to the Nazi period in German history.

We would like to include survivors of the death and labor camps, hidden children and their relationship with righteous Gentiles, hidden children who adopted the Christian faith of their saviors, residents whose families left Germany and fled to safer environments because of the impact of the Nazis on European society, as well as the men of the US Armed Forces who liberated the camps and worked with the displaced persons after the war.

In Leisure World we have a broad range of the people described.. When time is casting the Holocaust in the shadows of history, it would be worthwhile to leave a legacy to our children, grandchildren and their children, so that the horrors encountered during the Nazi domination of Europe will not be forgotten.

We are looking for volunteers to work on a committee for this project, and then seek the input of residents who are willing to have their recollections recorded. If you are interested, please send a note to JRLW, PO Box 9219, Silver Spring, MD 20916, Attn: Fred Shapiro

JRLW Breakfast Forum

The January Breakfast Forum will be held on Sunday, Jan 17, at 10am in the Crystal Ballroom in Clubhouse 1, with speaker Rabbi Yitzchok Breitowitz, JD. His topic is : "Judaism: On Healthcare Policy & Current Biomedical Issues".

Rabbi Yitzchok Breitowitz is Associate Professor of Law at the University of Maryland and the Rabbi of the Woodside Synagogue of Silver Spring. Rabbi Breitowitz has lectured

extensively throughout the U.S. and Israel on medical, business and family ethics. Recently, he was a contributor to a symposium on the new genetics and Judaism. He authored an article on "Spirituality and the Workplace".

Make your reservations early for this exciting program by mailing your check in the amount of \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members made payable to JRLW and send to Edith Bank, 15115 Interlachen Drive #.517, Silver Spring MD 20906, phone 301-598-0335.

A Special Secret by Bernice F. Cohen

"Ahhh!, that's much better!"

Lee looked at Molly, "What did you say?" Molly turned to her brother, Lee, and answered, "I thought you said something." The children were in Grandpa's Synagogue. Ima and Abba had brought them there to see a special Torah, the Czech Torah. A few days before, there had been a special rededication of the Torah. Now it rested in a special case, its parchment roll open so that people could see it and honor the Torah. Abba had told the children that the Torah was very old--older than he was; older than Grandpa.

"I feel much more comfortable now." Again, that voice. It was a quiet, inside voice; not an outside voice that people spoke with. Lee grabbed Molly's hand. They both looked around the room. There was no one in the room besides them.

"Over here! Come closer so that I can get a better look at you." The voice was coming from the Torah! "Don't be scared; it's only me," said the Torah. "Oh, the stories I could tell you about the places I've been and the things I've seen." Molly and Lee were astonished. They had never heard of a talking Torah. They went forward and touched the case with inquiring fingers. They were too inquisitive to be afraid. "Tell us, tell us. We want to know," they said. So the Torah started telling this story.

"I was first written a long time ago in a place far away from here called Europe. When I was young, I belonged to a family of Torahs and was part of a lovely Synagogue. When I was young, I saw many wonderful things. I saw bar mitzvahs,

weddings and holidays. On Saturday mornings, I took turns with the other Torahs, taking part in the Shabbat Services. I even had my own special Yad, Breastplate and Crown. Oh! How I enjoyed being dressed up in beautiful, fancy white covers for the High Holy Days. On Simchat Torah I was danced around and around and passed from one set of arms to another. I was always handled with the greatest care and respect. Those were the good days. But then a evil man came into power. He wanted to do away with all the Jews!" Molly interrupted. "You mean like Haman?" Lee asked, "You mean like the evil Pharaoh?"

"No. No. This man was a million times worse! His name was Hitler. Soon fewer and fewer people came to the Synagogue. Then strangers would come into the building and steal precious paintings and silver crowns from the Torahs! Families who were once so happy were torn apart. Some of the boys who had become bar mitzvah in front of me disappeared. Some of the Jews who were left came to pray for an end to this terrible time. Other Jews were afraid to even come inside the Synagogue! Oh, what a sad time. Some of the Torahs I had been with were taken and burned. One day, a pair of strong arms picked me up and carried me out of the building. I was wrapped in an old blanket. I don't remember all of the details, but I found myself in another country, England. Then, after years went by, I was brought to America, to this Synagogue.

When I got to this nice Congregation, I was very excited. Once more, I took part in all sorts of happy celebrations. I looked so fine in my new Torah cover. I loved the friendly people who surrounded me. Oh! I was so happy to be part of a Synagogue again. But as time passed, I got older and tired. I didn't enjoy being carried around; I felt stiff. Some of the ink flaked off my parchment. I just wanted to rest."

"On day, a group of men picked me up and put me on a table. They unrolled me and looked carefully at my parchment. I heard them say that I was too old to be repaired. Then someone had a wonderful idea. They wanted to put me in a special case so people could see me and honor me. They said I was special. They said I was like

some of the other victims of the Holocaust; very old and tired. They wanted to let me know that they realized what I had been through and that it was now time for me to rest. So here I am. I know I will be safe here. I can rest in this lovely case and watch the younger Torahs being carried about; and that makes me feel so proud!"

Molly and Lee just looked at each other. They did not know what to say. Would anyone believe them if they said that the Torah had "spoken" to them? They decided not to say anything about it. They patted the glass case gently and tiptoed out of the room.

"There you are. We've been looking for you!" It was Ima. She was standing by the door, waiting for them. "Come on, we're all going to Grandma's house for dinner." Molly and Lee looked at each other and smiled. They had a very special secret.

Phyllis Hutt

It's Tough Being Electronically Challenged.

January is here, and we are in the midst of still more resolutions for the coming year. I solemnly resolve to try to learn the following:

How my new cell phone that my kids gave me for Chanukah works - How to program my new TV - How to send an attachment in an email - How to get started writing my new book, "Dummies in the Electronic Age".

It seems that life was simpler when I was a child. I didn't have to understand anything more complicated than a manual typewriter and an adding machine. Now things have progressed to a point where the personal touch no longer exists. We are exposed to automated living. Little did Messrs. Horn and Hardardt realize when they put pie and sandwiches behind glass where they could be retrieved for a nickel or a dime that things could get so out of hand!

The time is coming when everything will be done over the phone, much like this:

If you are bleeding from any orifice, Press 1 - If you are obese and in need of nutritional counseling, Press Pound - If you desire a hearing test, Press Tone! - If you are a VIP and need special treatment, Press Star - If you are a female over 50 experiencing hot sweats, Press

Flash - If you think you may require surgery, Press Operator - If you have no medical insurance, Please hang up the phone now!

In order to enable me to better understand life as it exists on this planet I have decided to consult with an expert.....my seven-year-old nephew, Jake, who, like his contemporaries, understands everything.



Jewish War Veterans (JWV) Post 567 at Leisure World

We remember the past and salute the future.

Honorably discharged veterans are invited and encouraged to join the oldest veterans' organization in the U.S. JWV was established in Oct 1896 by Jewish War Veterans of the Civil War to fight anti-Semitism, support the military, care for fellow veterans and uphold and protect the constitution of the U.S. and its guarantees of liberties so that all men and women, regardless of race or creed may live together in peace and harmony. Jewish War Veterans fought honorably and courageously in all of our country's wars many of whom were recipients of the highest military honors for heroic action against the enemy. JWV was an early supporter of the birth of the Jewish Homeland and has continually given top priority to Israel's security.

Post 567 at Leisure World holds monthly brunches with prominent speakers and/or entertainers as well as monthly business meetings in Clubhouse 1. We sponsor Veterans Day Sabbath Services and participate in the July 4 Parade at Leisure World. We also sponsor periodic trips to Atlantic City Casinos, an annual get-away trip to a resort area, a trip to the U.S. Naval Academy and much, much, more.

If you would like to associate yourself with a friendly bunch of senior citizen veterans, mostly of WWII and Korean War vintage, and would like to learn more about Post 567, we invite you to contact Jerry Jacobs, Junior Vice Commander at 301-438-3556 or Marvin Franklin, Quartermaster, at 301-598-9372.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					January 1 15 Tevet <hr/> Candle Lighting 4:38pm	January 2 16 Tevet
January 3 17 Tevet <hr/> Conservative Services 8:45am Clubhse 2	January 4 18 Tevet	January 5 19 Tevet	January 6 20 Tevet <hr/> Na'Amat meeting 12:30pm Clubhse 1	January 7 21 Tevet	January 8 22 Tevet <hr/> Candle Lighting 4:44pm <hr/> JRLW Services 8pm Inter-Faith Chapel	January 9 23 Tevet <hr/> Conservative Services 9:15am Clubhse 2
January 10 24 Tevet <hr/> Conservative Services 8:45am Clubhse 2 <hr/> Na'Amat to Kennedy Center	January 11 25 Tevet <hr/> JRLW Board 7pm Clubhse 2	January 12 26 Tevet <hr/> Deadline for submissions for next JRLW Newsletter	January 13 27 Tevet <hr/> 1pm The Amazing Ronnie Baras Comedy Mentalism Show Clubhouse 1	January 14 28 Tevet	January 15 29 Tevet <hr/> Candle Lighting 4:51pm	January 16 1 Shevat
January 17 2 Shevat <hr/> Conservative Services 8:45am Clubhse 2 <hr/> JRLW Breakfast 10am	January 18 3 Shevat	January 19 4 Shevat	January 20 5 Shevat <hr/> Hadassah film 12:30pm Clubhse 1	January 21 6 Shevat	January 22 7 Shevat <hr/> Candle Lighting 4:59pm	January 23 8 Shevat
January 24 9 Shevat <hr/> Conservative Services 8:45am Clubhse 2	January 25 10 Shevat	January 26 11 Shevat <hr/> 1pm "Love Songs From Around the World" Clubhouse 2	January 27 12 Shevat	January 28 13 Shevat	January 29 14 Shevat <hr/> Candle Lighting 5:07pm	January 30 15 Shevat <hr/> Tu B'Shevat
January 31 16 Shevat <hr/> Conservative Services 8:45am Clubhse 2 <hr/> Hadassah film 2pm Hungary Embassy						

Companies that advertise in the JRLW Newsletter are proving their support for JRLW. If you know of other companies that might be interested in supporting JRLW by advertising in our Newsletter, please contact JRLW President Fred Shapiro.

Please join us for a complimentary lunch and tour of our community.

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Information: A Support Group for Novel Writers

In order to qualify as a member of the Group you must submit and defend a detailed outline of your novel-in-progress. In order to continue as a member, you must (1.) demonstrate steady progress toward completing your novel, and (2.) actively support other members by providing serious and ongoing critiques of their work.

The size of the Group is capped at six members. A member is required to transmit (by e-mail download or hand delivery) about ten new pages of his/her novel no later than ten days prior to each Group meeting to all Group members for criticism and suggestions for improvement.

The Group will meet once a month for about 2 hours to discuss and comment on

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all the new pages. A Facilitator will be selected at the beginning of each meeting to maintain decorum and to insure that every member receives a fair proportion of meeting time.

Interested writers should contact Len Cohen, (phone) 301-598-5680, (email) lencohen@aol.com

January Center Scene Coming of Age

Coming of Age, formerly Community Partners, is a free membership organization that offers activities, excursions and special events to seniors.

Mon, Jan 11, 11am - 2pm – "Day @ the J": "The Voices of Levine" an all women's singing ensemble.

Wed, Jan 13, 1-2pm - The Amazing Ronnie Baras Comedy Mentalism Show, \$6; rsvp by 1/7; Leisure World Clubhouse 1

Tue, Jan 19, 11am -2pm – “Day @ the J”: The Status of the Health Care Reform

Tue, Jan 26, 1-2pm, “Love Songs From Around the World” - Vladimir Fridman & Vladimir Gamarnik, \$6, LW residents, call E&R to register, LW Clubhouse 2

Wed, Jan 27, 12pm - 2:30pm – Food ‘n Fun at Clyde’s Tower Oaks Lodge

Talk at the Thanksgiving Eve Interfaith Service by Sister Christine of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church of Leisure World

A group of scientific experts who were trying to figure out where to hide God so that no one would ever find Him. They first thought of hiding God in the farthest star but decided that future technology would eventually lead to the farthest star and God would be found. The next idea was to hide God in the deepest ocean, but again the experts believed that technology would be able to reach the deepest ocean and God would be found. Finally, the experts decided that God should be hidden in every person. That way, God would never be found.

When we look at the condition of our world today; when see the news on our tv or read the newspaper, we might believe that the experts succeeded. But Thanksgiving Day reminds us that if we have eyes to see and ears to hear, we will find God everywhere.

At this time of year we will all see at least one story of feeding the homeless; in our churches food collections will be gathered for the needy. If we have eyes to see we will recognize God in both the givers and receivers. What an awesome thought, what a gift we can be, what a treasure we are because we give God a human face, a human heart, hands, and feet. St. Paul told the Corinthians and tells us that we carry this treasure in clay jars. We are Sacred Vessels

This reality ought to take our breath away — that we carry the Divine Presence within us. Therefore, in everyone we meet or serve, God looks at us and we look at God. If we have eyes to see, and faith to believe. God touches us and we touch God

When we pray Psalm 139 —
Where can I go from your Spirit?
Where can I flee from your presence?
If I go up to the heavens, you are there;
If I make my bed in the depths, you are there.
If I rise on the wings of the dawn,
If I settle on the far side of the sea,
Even there your hand will guide me.

Imagine a world where we believed that God is everywhere; imagine a world where we believed that God lives in our neighbors whether they are next door or on the other side of the world. I am sure that you noticed that I have said “imagine a world where we believe — and did not say imagine a world where God is everywhere or imagine a world where God lives in our neighbor -- The divine Presence is not imagined; the Divine Presence is a reality.

When Moses asked God, What is your name; God said: I AM; tell the Israelites I AM sent me to you. That same God, I Am calls us to see I AM everywhere.

Because I was an elementary school teacher for years, I still like to give an assignment now and then, so I’m going to give you a little homework for tomorrow. As you share your Thanksgiving dinner with each other tomorrow inwardly bow to the Divine Presence offering you the turkey or the sweet potatoes or pumpkin pie. And as you pass a dish to the next person, inwardly bow to the Divine Presence whom you are serving.

And as I now wish you a blessed Thanksgiving day, I AM in me bows to I AM in you.

Ronnie Baras; Mentalist and Comedian

The Jewish Residents of Leisure World and the Coming of Age program of JCCGW will present The Amazing Ronnie Baras Comedy Mentalism Show Wednesday, January 13, 1-2pm in the Crystal Ballroom in Clubhouse 1.

The Amazing Ronnie



Baras Comedy Mentalism Show will feature Ronnie Baras performing a variety of mind-reading skills in a humorous fashion. You can expect him to ask for volunteers and then perform astounding demonstrations such as having a volunteer open a book and focus on any word. Ronnie will then have another volunteer open an envelope and find the same word written inside. Does this sound impossible? Come to the show and see for yourself! Every effort to stump will be tested to the fullest extent.

Ronnie Baras, also known as The Kosher Hypnotist and Mentalist, has been performing his one-man show internationally for over 10 years. He has performed in Las Vegas and has recently completed a performing tour in Israel. Not only does he keep kosher, but his performances are clean and respectful (kosher) as well. Ronnie tries to make sure that people are entertained without being embarrassed.

What is mentalism? Mentalism is a form of 'magic' that deals with the mind. As opposed to an ordinary magic show, which deals with props, mentalism deals with the mind. The illusions that he presents are done with ordinary objects. Ronnie is happy to point out that just like his hypnotism show, his mentalism show is different every time because he has so many illusions to choose from. So, even if you've seen him before, when you see him again you'll be watching a new and different show.

Tickets are available at the E&R office in Club House I. The donation for the performance is \$6 per person; make checks payable to JRLW.

Vladimir Fridman, January 26, Love Songs Around the World

Coming of Age/JCCGW will cosponsor a concert with JRLW January 26 at 1pm in the Clubhouse 2 Auditorium. Vladimir Fridman, accompanied by Vladimir Gamarnik, will perform "Love Songs From Around the World"

The duo will perform popular love songs including American popular tunes, Latin tangos, and Russian Gypsy songs. A highlight will be Bei Mir Bistu Shein, an American Yiddish song that

was made popular by the Andrews Sisters.

Vladimir Fridman is a well known musician in the Washington area, originally from Moscow, Russia. He has toured Europe, the Middle East, Japan and across the USA. In his gifted hands, the guitar expresses the soul and passion of world and Jewish music.



Gamarnik was born in Azerbaijan and came to the US in 1990. He is a virtuoso violinist, who has appeared nationally and internationally to wide acclaim. His passionate and unique interpretation of the music is exhilarating.

Tickets are available from E&R for a donation of \$6 per person. Checks should be made out to JRLW.

Na'Amat

Na'Amat's first meeting of the new year will be held on Wednesday, January 6, 2010, at 12:30pm in Clubhouse 1. This will be an open meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend. Our guest speaker will be Ed Fritz, who will talk about the poet, Emma Lazarus, whose beautiful words are inscribed on the Statue of Liberty.

On Sunday, January 10, 2010, we will be going to the Kennedy Center to see a performance of the musical, "Young Frankenstein." This production is sold out with a "wait list." If you are interested in joining us, contact Harriet Moore 301-438-6069

Looking ahead to February: on Wednesday February 17, 2010, we will hold a Tea at Normandy Farms. Included will be their fabulous buffet and violin music. Contact Lila Shapiro for more information 301-598-0054.

Mount Scopus Hadassah

Mt. Scopus Hadassah will show the film "Arranged" at its meeting on Wednesday, January 20 at 12:30pm in Clubhouse 1. This engaging film tells the intertwined story of two women, an Orthodox Jew and a Muslim, who

meet as new teachers at a Brooklyn School. Both have parents who are negotiating arranged marriages for them. The film is in English and runs 1 ½ hours. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mah-jongg cards for 2010 are being sold until January 25. Regular print is \$7 and large print is \$8. The cards will be delivered in March. Send your check payable to Hadassah to Lois Cohan, 15107 Interlachen Dr #511, Silver Spring MD 20906. If you have any questions, call Lois at 301-598-3202.

On Sunday, January 31 at 2pm, the Greater Washington Area Chapter of Hadassah and the Hannah Senesh Group are presenting the film "Blessed is the Match" at the Embassy of Hungary. This docudrama by Roberta Grossman tells the life and death of Hannah Senesh, a Hungarian Jew, poet, Zionist, and freedom fighter. Call Sue Rudo at 301-598-1153 for details on making a reservation.

Tzedakah

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Torah Maintenance and Prayer Book Fund -

Individuals can be honored and loved ones memorialized with a contribution to the JRLW Torah Maintenance Fund or Prayer Book Fund for \$ 25. Contact Ellen Zweig at 301 598 2144. Recent donations:

- ✧ Sondra & Don Jacobs, Prayer Book iho 80th birthday of Ed Alexander
- ✧ Lenore Eileen Lam Prayer Book imo Benjamin , Frida and Peter Lam
- ✧ Ruth L. Nemerofsky 2 Prayer Books imo my beloved husband Lou Nermerofsky
- ✧ Judith Shapiro, Torah Maintenance Fund donation imo Oscar Shapiro
- ✧ Renee Lease, Prayer Book imo my dear beloved Husband Gerald (Gerry) Lease
- ✧ Judy & Sumner Bravman, Prayer Book imo Gussie Shaw beloved sister of Marilyn Dorfman

Oneg Shabbat or Saturday morning Shabbat Kiddush - To sponsor a Friday evening Oneg Shabbat or a Saturday morning Shabbat

Kiddush, send \$25 minimum to Martha Ross 3210 N. Leisure World Blvd #916, Silver Spring MD 20906. Tzedakah contributions can also be sent to Martha. Recent donations:

- ✧ Janet & Sidney Lazar – Kiddush on Saturday, Nov 14 iho of our anniversary
- ✧ Fred & Madeline Shapiro – Kiddush in Jan 2010 iho our 56th anniversary and Madeline' birthday
- ✧ Sandra & Walter Budman – Friday evening Oneg Shabbat in Jan 2010, iho our 60th wedding anniversary
- ✧ George & Marilyn Kessler – Kiddush on Dec 12 iho birth of Yahgel Yisroel Maeir, our first great grandchild

Get Well

- ✧ Theda Rosenblum – Lucky Malamut, Lois Cohan, and Barbara Kaze, Get well with a speedy recovery
- ✧ Carole & Hymie Rosenberg – Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Susan Weiss

In Honor of (iho)

- ✧ Sheila Chodorov & Norman Lichtman – iho Lucille Baker's birthday

Yizkor

- ✧ Morris & Charlotte Katz
- ✧ Cecilia & Louis Honig
- ✧ Stanley & Myra Galinn

In Memory of (imo)

- ✧ Shirley & Manny Collier – imo Ethel Schooler, mother of Shirley Collier
- ✧ Shirley & Manny Collier – imo Dora Collier, mother of Manny Collier
- ✧ Shirley & Manny Collier – imo Larry Schwartz, our son-in-law
- ✧ Sol Schwartz – imo Celia & Joanne Schwartz
- ✧ Marilyn Fox – imo Rose Kernoff, mother of Lenore Kalen
- ✧ Donald & Sandra Jacobs – imo Louis Riani, and condolences to his family
- ✧ George & Beatrice Jacobs – imo our dear friend Jack Silberman
- ✧ Lenore Eileen Lam – imo Benjamin, Frieda, and Peter Lam

- ✧ Joyce Fischer – imo Omri Gerston, brother of Leah Novak & family
- ✧ Rose Closter – imo Helen Jaffe with great affection
- ✧ Rose Closter – imo Gerald Lease with great affection
- ✧ Fred & Madeline Shapiro – imo Gerald Lease
- ✧ Mark & Janet Stuart – imo Gerald Lease
- ✧ Suzanne Offit – imo Gerald Lease
- ✧ Claire Goldman – imo Sylvia Myerson, mother of Jay Myerson
- ✧ Sandra Sager -- imo Jeffrey Scott Kay, son of Ruth Kay
- ✧ Susan & Jerry Weiss – imo Gerald Lease
- ✧ Paula & Louis Rubenstein -- imo Jeffrey Scott Kay, son of Ruth Kay
- ✧ Judith & Arthur Kirsch – imo Gilbert Tebeloff
- ✧ Sue & Mort Rudo -- imo Ruth Rosenfeld Ezekiel, sister of Bertl Esenstad
- ✧ Sally Richman – imo Gussie Shaw, sister of Marilyn Dorfman
- ✧ Carole & Hymie Rosenberg – imo Rose Kernoff, mother of Lenore Kalen
- ✧ Jonas Weiss – imo my parents, Bernard & Dora Weiss

Tzedakah

- ✧ Carol & Jack Lerner
- ✧ Semi Feuer

Food for the Homeless

- ✧ Judith Shapiro

Construction of Ark Fund

- ✧ George & Beatrice Jacobs – iho birth of twin great grandsons Adam and Brooks

Jewish Recipe Corner

Rugelach

2 cups all-purpose flour; 1/4 teaspoon salt; 1 cup unsalted butter; 1 (8 ounce) package cream cheese; 1/3 cup sour cream; 1/2 cup white sugar; 1 tablespoon ground cinnamon; 1 cup finely chopped walnuts; 1/2 cup chopped raisins

Directions

1. Cut cold butter or margarine and cream cheese into bits. In food processor pulse flour, salt, butter or margarine, cream cheese and sour

cream until crumbly.

2. Shape crumbly mixture into four equal balls...wrap each ball and chill 2 hours.

3. Roll each ball into a 9 inch round. Keep rest of dough refrigerated until ready to use.

4. Combine sugar, cinnamon, chopped walnuts, and finely chopped raisins .

5. Sprinkle round with sugar/nut mixture. Press lightly into dough. With knife cut each round into 12 wedges. Roll wedges from wide to narrow, you will end up with point on outside of cookie. Place on ungreased baking sheets and chill rugelach 20 minutes before baking.

6. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F
After rugelach are chilled, bake them in the center rack of your oven 22 minutes until lightly golden. Cool on wire racks. Store in airtight containers...they freeze very well.

Do you have a family recipe handed down by your bubbe? Or a new take on an old recipe? Our readers would like to see it. Even those of us who are no longer cooking like to see interesting recipes. Your recipe might inspire someone to try their hand at cooking or baking again.

JRLW Food Collection for Manna

Residents of LW responded very well to the Chanukah campaign to collect food and donations. Shelly Stahl arranged for Manna to pick up a sizeable collection of cans, packages, and cartons Wednesday, Dec. 22. The food will be part of the distribution that Manna makes to the needy residents of the region.

Our thanks to Shelly Stahl for suggesting the food drive and to Dolly Solomon for helping to organize the volunteers who manned the Chanukah table in Clubhouse 1 during the holiday week. Thanks to the women who worked the table: Barbara Klein, Eleanor Prissman, Anita Van Grack, Sheila Rickman, Gerri Scholar, Clare Golub, Theda Rosenblum, Shelly and Dolly.

Plans call for a similar drive for Manna for the Passover holiday.

Monetary donations were collected both at the table and at a special Art in Chanukah program by Myrna Teck. Total collected was

\$95.50, which will be added to the \$500 donation approved by the JRLW Board at its last meeting. This money will provide for the preparation of sandwiches for the homeless by the Interfaith Committee at the Interfaith Chapel.



Shelly Stahl & Fred Shapiro with the Manna representative



Dolly Solomon & Anita Van Grack at the table



Theda Rosenblum at the Chanukah table

Theda Rosenblum: A Lifelong Volunteer

It often seems that everyone in Leisure World knows Theda Rosenblum, because she seems to be involved in so many things here. That has been true all her life.

Theda was born in Brooklyn and went to Brooklyn College, intending to become a lawyer. A serious illness forced a change of plans so she focused on family and volunteer activities.

At a young age Theda volunteered at a New York home for emotionally disturbed children. When she moved to Bowie, Maryland, with her husband and daughter, she continued her volunteering. She became president of Hadassah for five years, giving talks Israel Bonds in Maryland, Virginia, and Delaware. She was also honored by Brandeis for outstanding leadership with fundraising and membership.

Theda joined Nevey Shalom Congregation in Bowie in 1971 and started helping. Before she knew it she became membership chair and then President of Sisterhood.

In 1987 the General Assembly of the State of Maryland honored Theda for her many years of community service, including the American Red Cross and College Park Aviation Museum.

Even now that she lives in Leisure World, Theda is still involved in Prince George's County. She goes there every Monday morning at 7am where she helps run the first Inter-Faith Senior program in that county. She also works in Montgomery County, where she is now in her 39th year as a volunteer under the Council of Aging in Rockville.

In Leisure World Theda is active in at least 4 organizations' boards, as well as working with the Inter-Faith Chapel.

All this, plus the love of her family, friends, travel, theater, and lectures, has brought Theda Rosenblum what she describes as much happiness in her life. She says others can find that too, by just finding organizations that interest them and starting with small jobs. "You'll end up loving it," she says.

JRLW Wishes All Our Members a Very Happy and Healthy New Year 2010

