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JRLW President's Message

The Rabbi and his wife were assigned to their first Congregation to reopen a shul in Brooklyn. They arrived in February, excited about their opportunities. When they saw the Shul it was very run down and needed much work. They set a goal to have everything done in time for the Purim Service.

They worked hard , repairing, plastering, painting, etc. They were ahead of schedule when a severe snowstorm hit the area. After the storm the Rabbi went to the Shul and his heart sank when he saw all the damage the storm had done to the building. A large area of plaster had fallen off the front wall of the sanctuary just behind the pulpit. The Rabbi cleaned up the mess on the floor and headed home.

On the way home he passed a flea market and stopped in. One of the items was a beautiful handmade crocheted tablecloth with a Mogen David embroidered in the center of the tablecloth. It was just the right size to cover the hole in the wall where the plaster had fallen off. He purchased the tablecloth.

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# Upcoming JRLW March Events

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# Religious Services Snapshot

JRLW together with Shaare Tefila Congregation, are conducting services every Sunday morning at 8:45 AM and minyans Sun thru Thu 7:30 PM in the Clubhouse II Café'.

Friday March 4<sup>th</sup> evening Conservative Shabbat Services 8 PM at Interfaith Chapel. Services will be led by Rabbi Gary Fink. Ed Laskin will lead the Choir. Services will be sponsored by B'nai B'rith.

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Saturday February 12<sup>th</sup> morning Conservative Services will be at 9:15 in Clubhouse II. Services will be led by Cantor Michael Kravitz. Preliminary Service will be led by Justin Kramer. Haftorah will be chanted by Hymie Rosenberg and D'var Torah will be recited by Gertrude Krick. Shacharit will be led by Cantor Kravitz.

#### JRLW TELEPHONE LIST FOR THE YEAR MAY 1, 2010 -- MAY 31, 2011

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DEADLINE FOR THE MARCH NEWSLETTER IS March 8<sup>th</sup>. ARTICLES RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL APPEAR IN THE May ISSUE.

## MARCH BREAKFAST FORUM

The JRLW March Breakfast Forum will be held on Sunday, March 20,2011, at 10:00am in the Crystal Ballroom. The March Forum is being sponsored by B'nai B'rith. The program will feature Matthew Celentano, Deputy Director of the Maryland Citizens' Health Initiative. Matt is a Baltimore native who graduated from the University of Vermont with honors. Matt will discuss the status of health care in the U.S. today and his organization's work to provide good health care and less costly prescription drugs for all citizens of Maryland. For reservations, send check payable to JRLW of \$5.00 per member (\$8.00, non-member) to Bella Rapaport, 3005 S. Leisure World Blvd., #301, Silver Spring, MD 20906. Check should be received before March 16, 2011.



## **JRLW SINGLES**

JRLW Singles will hold a luncheon on Thursday, March 24, at 12:00 noon at the Country Buffet. Please call Fran Sanders at 301-598-0199 for reservations.

All single members of JRLW are welcome to attend.



The residents of JRLW offer their condolences to the families of the following: Bernie Kahn Sidney Green Goldie Jaffe Anit Haas

May their memory be a blessing.

## **GOOD AND WELFARE**

Love is in the air !

Mazel Tov to Paul Bessel and Barbara Braswell on their recent marriage!

Congratulations to Sonya Korenblit and Hy Hirschberg on their upcoming nuptials!

Congratulations to Dolly Solomon on the birth of a new great-grandson. That's two new grandchildren in less than 2 months!

Rabbi and Mrs. Gary Fink have become grandparents to a baby boy. Mazel Tov!

Fran Fedder was on her way to visit her toddler granddaughter when she fell and broke her hip. As of this writing she is in the hospital following surgery. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Get well Barbara Firestone. We wish you a quick healing from your recent foot surgery.

Carole Rosenberg. Speedy recovery from your shoulder surgery.

## **NEW MEMBERS**

We welcome the following new members to JRLW:

Jeanette Diamond – 3330 N. LWB

Gloria and Richard Sherman – 15403 Wentbridge Court



NEWSLETTER STAFF Bernice Cohen – Editor Nate Sternberg – Layout Fred Shapiro – Business Shirley Griffin - Asst. Editor

# FUNERAL INFORMATION

If you are a member of JRLW you are entitled to a considerable discount when you have to deal with a funeral parlor or a cemetery. JRLW has an agreement with Sagal and Danzanksy Funeral Homes for a discount. We also have an agreement with Judean Gardens for burial arrangements. If you have any questions, please call Harvey Chidel at 301-438-1151. Also, please contact either Allan Firestone, 301-598-6684 or Egon Guttman at 301-603-9415 to provide assistance with Shiva Minionim.

#### WINTER WEATHER ALERT

It is the policy of JRLW that any scheduled meetings or events will be cancelled if Montgomery County schools are closed the day the meeting is to be held.

Volunteers are needed for Friday night services which occur the first Friday of the month. Jewish items are set up in the Interfaith Chapel before the service and removed afterwards. Please call Mort Rudo at 301-598-1153 if you can help.

## **EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

**Tuesday, March 15, 2011:** Great Songs of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Norm Katz, a native Washingtonian, invites you to reminisce through the songs of Berlin, Kern, Porter, Warren, Rodgers, Hammerstein, Gershwin, etc. Norm has spent over 45 years playing for shows and has played for over 114 different musicals. He will present songs that have become a part of who we are – songs of love, songs of love at first sight, songs of remembrance and remorse. Some may wish to follow the lyrics or just sing along. 10:30 am. Clubhouse I – Fee \$6. Tuesday, March 29, April 5, April 12, **2011**: Lessons Learned from the Holocaust: Neil Newman is a charter member of the Holocaust Museum and a volunteer who conducts tours of the Permanent Exhibit as well as the special exhibits at the Museum for select visitor groups. He joins us again to follow up from the first series of lectures. In the three sessions of this seminar, we will "HOW" and "WHY" discuss the the Holocaust occurred and how the lessons learned from the Holocaust are and should be applied in today's world. We will address the fact that Holocaust did not "just" occur "instantly" in the 1940's but is part of a historical continuity. During the course of the program, we will be discussing "The Most Frequently Asked Questions" regarding the Holocaust utilizing both the instructor's questions and those presented by the participants. 10:30 am, Clubhouse I,- Fee \$18.

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

In accordance with the By-laws of the Jewish Residents of Leisure World, a Nominating Committee has been appointed by our President, Dolly Solomon. The names of the members of this committee are to be published in the February Newsletter. They are: Nate Sternberg, Walter Budman, Mort Rudo, Anita Van Grack and Neil Ross.

## PHYLLYS HUTT'S CORNER:

#### I'M GLAD I'M NOT JUNG

Last week I was surfing the TV channels and came across some programs about the politically correct way to handle young children. One show was about Jo, the Supernanny, who solves all problems. (Her English accent makes her sound authentic.) Then, some doctor with three names scolded modern parents for even thinking of a slap on a wrist. No, that is not in the current Book of Rules. I realize now that it is amazing that my children grew up psychologically undamaged (that I am aware of).

I learned early on that children do not arrive with instruction booklets. Judging from current

medical attitudes, I did so many things when the kids were little that today would be frowned upon. For one thing, my children arrived within three years from first to last, which, in itself, is a good excuse for my bizarre methods. Whenever my patience was at a low ebb, I remember threatening, "The next gypsy caravan that passes our door can have you!" This is a definite "no-no".

Then there are the magical abilities possessed by all mothers. I told the children that parents have a way of knowing when a child is not telling the truth. They can see numbers on their face. There was much confrontational banter....."Uh-oh, Robbie, there's an eleven on your chin." "Andi, look, a 16 on your nose!" "Gary, there's a bunch of fours on your forehead."There usually followed a talk on the use of mathematics in our daily lives.

If I had to say "no" to some outrageous request, my response was usually, "If I let you do that, I would be thrown out of the Mother's Union." That really powerful organization lasted until it was discovered that, "There is no such of a thing."

So this is a new world, one in which at times I am an alien visitor. Infants are shlepped all over town even before their six-weeks checkup. Do they ever put a hat on the baby? Who could stay on a liquid diet for a year? Everyone deserves a little nosh once in awhile. So maybe I could host a new Discovery channel program, about the proper way to raise the future hope of the planet.

Ya think???



# **RECIPE CORNER**



#### HAMENTASCHEN

I had spent much of the afternoon making my Purim Hamentaschen. I was so proud, seeing them cooling on racks on the kitchen table. I left the room. After a while, I returned to see my youngest son, 4-year old David, methodically nibbling each of the three corners of all of the Hamentaschen .I was aghast! I asked him what he was doing, and he calmly told me that the corners were the best part. Maybe he was right. I always used a cookie dough instead of the thinner pastry dough for these delicacies. Here is my recipe.

Dough: 4 cups flour 2 tsp. baking powder <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup sugar Pinch of salt Grated ring of lemon4 eggs <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup oil Filling: 1 can of mohn (poppy seed) filling,

1 can of either apple or cherry pie filling.

Sift dry ingredients into a bowl. Drop eggs and oil into the center and stir well. Mix all together and knead lightly until smooth. Roll out dough to about 1/8 inch. Cut into 2 ½ or 3 inch rounds. Place heaping teaspoon of filling in center of each round; draw up two sides and then the third across and pinch the edges together to form a three-cornered pastry. Bake on a greased baking sheet in 375 degree oven for about 30 minutes, until lightly browned. Cool on racks.

#### **B'NAI B'RITH NEWS**

B'nai B'rith, the global voice of the world's Jewish community since 1843, is a global leader in the fight against anti-Semitism and anti-Israel bias. It also provides senior housing and advocacy world-wide with its centers for Human Rights, Senior services, Community Action and Jewish Culture. Its Disaster Relief Fund is there whenever catastrophe strikes anywhere worldwide.

B'nai B'rith is sponsoring the JRLW March Breakfast Forum. The Forum on March 20 will feature Matthew Celentano, Deputy Director of the Maryland Citizens' Health Initiative.

The next B'nai B'rith meeting will be held on March 23, at 1:30pm in Clubhouse II. The speaker for this meeting will be Ariel Farber of the JCC of Greater Washington Area. Her topic will be, "Middle East and the State of Israel." Everyone is welcome to attend.

## TORAH FUND AND PRAYER BOOK DONATIONS

Individuals can be honored and loved ones memorialized with a contribution to the JRLW Torah Fund or Prayer Book Fund for a minimum donation of \$ 25.00. Contact Ellen Zweig at 301- 598- 2144 between 9 AM and 9:00 PM. No calls on Shabbat please.

Susan and Jonas Weiss in memory of mother, Helen Both Schaffer.

Susan and Jonas Weiss in memory of father, Sidney Schaffer.







#### The Joys and Challenges of Friendships

By Beth Shapiro, LCSW-C JSSA Senior Services Social Worker

They say that while you cannot choose your family, you can choose your friends. Forming friendships is part of human nature, yet friendships aren't always easy to make or to keep.

Friendships can be challenging because they thrive on flexibility and giving. For instance, your friends need you to make time available for them, even if you have to occasionally rearrange your schedule. Friends need to make compromises for the sake of getting along, often agreeing to disagree. Supporting a close friend can feel demanding at times. Friends rely on one another to provide encouragement, companionship and hope especially during difficult times. That can sometimes be hard work. Close friends may also ask for your honest opinion. But will that friend take offense if you disagree or criticize? Some delicate judgments are often needed in maintaining friendships.

Sometimes being a good friend even involves some financial expense. Cards, gifts and celebrating occasions mean more to some people than others. You'll need to compare your friend's wishes and expectations for these gestures with your own and try to achieve balance.

Beyond your closest friendships, other types of friends can also be rewarding without many obligations or demands. For instance, acquaintances from a synagogue or discussion group may add warmth to your social circle when you see them periodically. Neighbors give us a sense of community and can help with small favors, such as offering rides, stopping by for a quick chat, etc. And then there are our workplace friends. Getting to know them as colleagues who understand our goals and interests can also be rewarding.

Changes that come later in life can disrupt friendships or leave us feeling more alone. If you have difficulty sorting out your needs, wants and ways of reaching out, consider talking with a professional. As a ISSA senior services social worker, I am prepared to help you explore ways to help you combat loneliness and establish new relationships to help keep your life full and rewarding. For more in-depth support we can discuss counseling options. By the way, did you know that I may be able to arrange for a ISSA social worker to come to Leisure World to meet with you privately? Please call me directly at (301) 816-2665 for a confidential conversation. I am here to help.

# TZEDAKAH & KIDDUSH DONATIONS

Betti Goodman in honor of her Aliyah in January.

Steven Freedman in honor of the successful surgical recovery of his mother, Bella Freedman.

Carol and Jack Lerner in memory of Anita Hack.

Phyllys Hutt in memory of David Glass.

Betsy and Fred Firnbacher on Yahrzeit of Maier Firnbacher.

Eugene Miller in honor of his Aliyah.

Bernice Blumenthal in memory of her husband, Werner Blumenthal.

Marilyn Fox wishing a speedy recovery to father, Bill.

Baul Bessel in honor of his new bride, Barbara Braswell.

Barbara and Herb Mintz in honor of our cousin Abe Hamburg's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Susan and Jonas Weiss in memory of Rochelle, sister of Natalie Brodsky.

Edith Tempchin in honor of Hyman Rosenberg's 80th Birthday.

Barbara and Jerry Miller in memory of father, Charles Gazen. Eileen and Harold Ansher in memory of Sidney Green.

Carolyn Gross in honor of her husband Arnie's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Sandy and Larry Brockman in honor of Hymie Rosenberg's special Birthday.

Susan and Jonas Weiss in memory of Bernie Kahn.

Susan Shay and Rona Rothenberg in honor of their mother, Selma Rothenberg.

Evelyn Dickman inloving memory of JoAnn Cadeaux's brother.

Evelyn Dickman in memory of Bernie Kahn.

#### Mt. Scopus Hadassah

Our Wednesday, March 16, meeting will feature Tiffany Lundquist from AARP speaking on health services. Socializing starts at 12:30 pm and the meeting begins at 1:00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Mt. Scopus has joined Eyre Travel to sponsor a trip to the National Museum of American Jewish History on Friday, May 20 at a cost of \$80 per person. A kosher box lunch is included. The bus will leave Clubhouse II at 8am and return at 6pm. For reservations call Jill at Eyre Travel at 301-598-1599 or 1-800-321-3973, ext. 4. Be sure to mention Hadassah when you make the reservation. Act now to sign up for this trip as space on the bus is limited.

A New Member Tea will take place on Sunday, March 27 from 1pm to 3pm at the home of Ann Berman, 3721 Glen Eagles Dr. Anyone interested in learning more about Hadassah is invited. Please call our membership vice president, Sonya Korenblit, at 301-598-3497 (before 8PM) to let her know you are planning to attend.

The year 2011 is Hadassah's Centennial Year! We are celebrating 100 years of existence with a marvelous lifetime membership offer of only \$100. This applies to current annual members, new members, child members and associate members. The offer is valid from January 1 through December 31. Call Sonya Korenblit (301-598-3497) for more information.

## JRLW President's Message Continued

As he left, he saw an older woman running to catch the bus. She missed it. The Rabbi invited her to wait in the warm Shul for the next bus. She sat in a pew and watched while the Rabbi got a ladder, hangers, etc., to put up the tablecloth as a wall tapestry. Then he noticed the woman walking down the aisle towards him. Her face was white as a sheet. "Rabbi, where did you get that tablecloth?"

When the Rabbi told her how he had gotten the cloth, she asked him to check the lower right corner to see if the initials, EBG, were crocheted there. They were. They were her initials. She had made this tablecloth 35 vears before in Poland. When the Nazis came, she was forced to leave. Her husband was going to follow her the next week. He was captured and sent to a camp. She never saw her husband or her home again. The Rabbi offered to give her the tablecloth, but she refused. The Rabbi insisted on driving her home.

They had a wonderful Service on Purim. The Shul was almost full. After the Service, the Rabbi and his wife greeted all the congregants at the door.

One older man continued to sit in one of the pews. The Rabbi wondered why he wasn't leaving. The man asked him where he had gotten the tablecloth that was hanging on the wall. It was identical to one that his wife had made years ago. He told the Rabbi how the Nazis had come, how he forced his wife to flee and how he was arrested and put in a camp. He had never seen his wife or home again.

The Rabbi asked him if he would go for a little ride. They drove to the house where the Rabbi had taken the women a few days earlier.

He helped the man climb the three flights of stairs to the woman's apartment, knocked on the door and saw the greatest Purim reunion he could ever imagine.

Chag Purim!

#### **Dolly Solomon, President**

## WASHINGTON JEWISH WEEK; JRLW SPECIAL

JRLW has recently partnered with Washington Jewish Week to offer residents a special subscription rate of \$36 (\$38.16 w/tax), and JRLW will receive \$5 when you subscribe! Please visit washingtonjewishweek.com or call the circulation department at 301-230-6692 to take advantage of WJW's JRLW Promotion. Just use the promo code: JRLW.

The Washington Jewish Week is a valuable means for you to stay informed of what is taking place, specifically here in your local Jewish community, but across the U.S., Israel and the world as well. Washington Jewish Week features a Senior Lifestyle section the first week of every month; а special section dedicated to you and your interests. Whether you want breaking news, community announcements, calendar events or other features. Washington Jewish Week should be a welcome "edition" in your home. By subscribing, you will also receive a free copy of the Guide to Jewish Life and full access to the brand new website.

#### NA'AMAT NEWS

Our next open meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 2, at 12:30, Clubhouse I. Debbie Levy is our speaker. Debbie is an author who will talk about her newest book, "The Year of Goodbyes." It is a true story of friendship, family and farewells. In addition to her talk, there will be a presentation. Come, have a nosh, meet with your old friends and make some new ones. All are welcome.

Our next board meeting is Tuesday, March 15, in Clubhouse I. Our plans for the year are made at our board meetings. We always welcome new ideas.

NA'AMAT's "Spiritual Adoption" fundraiser will be held on Wednesday, April 13. This is a seated luncheon with special guest speakers, Cokie and Steve Roberts. More details to follow.

We have a few seats available on our bus trip to Savannah, Georgia, from April 3-9. If you are interested, please see club trips in the Leisure World newspaper or contact Adele Traurig, 301-598-3977. We are also planning our next cruise for November 2011.

Please note that if Montgomery County cancels or delays opening of schools, our meetings will be postponed.

#### HAR TZEON-AGUDATH ACHIM MARCH PROGRAMS

#### **Thursday Morning Programs:**

11:00am Exercise with Mim Parizer or Current Events with Judge Marvin Roth and Ed Morgenstern

1:00pm Yiddish Class with Marcia Levinsohn

#### **Afternoon Programs:**

Thursday, March 3 Don Lipman, Washington Post Capital Weather Gang "Springtime in the USA"

Thursday, March 10 Shoshana Bryen, JINSA

"Israel Update"

Thursday, March 17 No Meeting

Thursday, March 24 JCC Chorus "Command Performance!"

Thursday, March 31 Bob Lachin, pianist "An Afternoon of

Beautiful Music"

#### SECOND SEDER – HOLD THE DATE!

Remember to hold the date of Tuesday, April 19 for our Second Seder. It will be held in the Clubhouse I Crystal Ballroom.

Arrangements have been made to have a strictly kosher meal. The cost will be the same as last year's Seder: \$29.00 per person and \$10.00 for children under ten.

A flyer has been included in this Newsletter for you to make your reservations.

The Seder will be led once again by Fred Firnbacher. Come and Enjoy!

## PURIM

Purim is one of the most joyous and fun holidays on the Jewish calendar. It commemorates a time when the Jewish people living in Persia were saved from extermination.

#### The Book of Esther

The story of Purim is told in the Biblical\_book of Esther. The heroes of the story are Esther, a beautiful young Jewish woman living in Persia, and her cousin Mordecai, who raised her as if she were his daughter. Esther was taken to the house of Ahasuerus, King of Persia, to become part of his harem. King Ahasuerus loved Esther more than his other women and made Esther queen, but the king did not know that Esther was a Jew, because Mordecai told her not to reveal her identity.

The villain of the story is Haman, an arrogant, egotistical advisor to the king. Haman hated Mordecai because Mordecai refused to bow down to Haman, so Haman plotted to destroy the Jewish people. In a speech that is all too familiar to Jews, Haman told the king, "There is a certain people scattered abroad and dispersed among the peoples in all the provinces of your realm. Their laws are different from those of every other people's, and they do not observe the king's laws; therefore it is not befitting the king to tolerate them." Esther 3:8. The king gave the fate of the Jewish people to Haman, to do as he pleased to them. Haman planned to exterminate all of the Jews.

Mordecai persuaded Esther to speak to the king on behalf of the Jewish people. This

was a dangerous thing for Esther to do, because anyone who came into the king's presence without being summoned could be put to death, and she had not been summoned. Esther fasted for three days to prepare herself, then went into the king. He welcomed her. Later, she told him of Haman's plot against her people. The Jewish people were saved, and Haman and his ten sons were hanged on the gallows that had been prepared for Mordecai.

The book of Esther is unusual in that it is the only book of the Bible that does not contain the name of G-d. In fact, it includes virtually no reference to G-d. Mordecai makes a vague reference to the fact that the Jews will be saved by someone else, if not by Esther, but that is the closest the book comes to mentioning G-d. Thus, one important message that can be gained from the story is that G-d often works in ways that are not apparent, in ways that appear to be chance, coincidence or ordinary good luck.



#### DISCLAIMER: AS YOU KNOW, IT IS A TRADITION TO HAVE A PURIM SPIEL AT THIS TIME OF YEAR. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHOULD BE TAKEN FOR TRUE. JUST GO ALONG WITH IT. CHAG PURIM!

Dear Snowbird Friends,

We are writing to say we hope you are enjoying the chilly weather in Florida.

Up here in Leisure World, we have enjoyed an exceptionally mild winter. The temperature has hovered around 70 degrees. Not one inch of snow have we seen. The geese and other birds, knowing more about the weather than we do, did not migrate south this year. In fact, the rose bushes have not stopped blooming all winter.

We have had one problem. There was not enough room at the Friday night services to seat all the people who showed up. The same was true of our Saturday Shabbat Services. More than 250 people showed up for the February services. There was not enough white fish or lox to feed everyone.

At our last Sunday Breakfast Forum, we were surprised by the management. There were eggs made to order, waffles, pancakes and even motzah brie (fried motzah). There were several kinds of fresh fruit juices as well as cut up fruit. This was in addition to bagels and cream cheese. There were plastic baggies at each place setting for those people who wanted to take home some food.

We have formed a nominating committee for next year's officers. It looks like it will be quite a race, with at least four people wanting to run for each position. We have raised the salary for the officers and board members by 75%.

See you in the spring.

shalom,

Ourselves

p.s. Our condo fees have been cut by \$50. a month because of the excess amount of money in the treasury.

# **IN MEMORIUM – BERNARD KAHN**

By Fred Shapiro

The message on my answering machine was quite clear – Bernie Kahn had died the day before, February 6<sup>th</sup>. The funeral would be February 8<sup>th</sup>. With this message, a number of us learned of the passing of one of the sweetest men in Leisure World. While we knew that the last few years had not been kind to the health of Bernie Kahn, hearing of his death left us with a hollow feeling. He was a good man, a kind man, and he will be missed.

We moved into Leisure World in March 2003, just as Bernie was completing his term as President of JRLW. Attending services, we were able to become familiar with this kindly man whose smile and handshake were there for everyone. At the conclusion of each Saturday morning service, even for years after completing his term as President, Bernie would make the thank-yous and announcements. He never failed to recognize the participation of everyone.

He was a major reason I agreed to accept the role of Religious Chairman of JRLW. I did not have the heart to say "no" to Bernie Kahn. I knew that he would support me in the decisions required of the Religious Committee.

As Education Chairman he worked at bringing programs to the members of JRLW that he felt would make an impact on their Jewish heritage. He worked hard to bring Rabbis to Leisure World from all denominations to explain and expand on the observance of the Jewish religion. A favorite was being able to have four Rabbis, representing the four major denominations, expound on the nature and future of their particular perspective of Judaism.

Bernie was first and foremost a Mensch. He was a good reason why many of us felt that JRLW was an organization that was worth our involvement. Never looking for the spotlight, but always working to bring about an atmosphere of friendship and warmth, Bernie Kahn was a person who truly deserved the adjective 'sweet'.

Bernie was also a devoted father, never failing to expound on the wonderful achievements of his children and grandchildren. Knowing my interest in photography, he kept me up to date on the experiences of his daughter Leora, as she travelled around the world, talking about the photo books she compiled and edited on many very timely and touching subjects.

Our hearts go out to his widow Penny and her family. She knows that she has many friends here in Leisure World, and that we will continue to welcome her Into our midst with warm hearts.

Farewell, Bernie. It was our good fortune to know you.

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March

#### JEWISH RESIDENTS OF LEISURE WORLD Invites you for a Traditional Community 2<sup>nd</sup> Seder Tuesday, April 19 at 6:00 PM Crystal Ballroom in Clubhouse I

#### MENU

Gefilte Fish, Hard Boiled Eggs, Greens, Horseradish, Charoses Chicken Soup w/Matzo Balls (Knaedlach) Entrée: Apricot Chicken, Mixed Vegetables Decaf Coffee, Tea and Desert Matzos and Wine <u>MEAL WILL BE KOSHER</u> \$29.00 per person \$10.00 per child under 10 years old

#### FRED FIRNBACHER WILL LEAD A SHORT SEDAR & SING-A-LONG

Reservations with Checks payable to JRLW will be accepted until Monday, April 11, 2011. Reserved tables for up to 10 people (based on availability) will be accepted. Please include full names and phone numbers for all attending. SEND CHECKS TO MARILYN FOX, 3005 S LEISURE WORLD BLVD, #615, SS, MD 20906.

# Adults	Children	_ + ages	Amount enclosed \$	
9				
7				
6				
4				
2				
1				

# JRLW INVITES YOU TO ATTEND THE DEDICATION CEREMONY AND RECEPTION

Sunday, April 10, 2011, 2:00 – 4:00 PM In Clubhouse II, Activities Room

# FOR OUR NEW TORAH ARK AND BIMAH

# **Graciously Donated By:**

## **JOHN & JOANNE DOWNEY**

# IN MEMORY OF THEIR DAUGHTER, STACY FRIEDMAN

Rabbi Gary Fink will officiate.

**Refreshments will be served.** 

For reservations, call Sue Rudo, 301-598-1153

e-mail <u>suearudo@verizon.net</u>

## JRLW MEMBERS TAKE PART IN MARYLAND ADVOCACY DAY OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITIES OF BALTIMORE AND THE WASHINGTON DC AREA, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2011, AT ANNAPOLIS.

