

Jewish Residents of Leisure World

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President: Larry Sperling. Newsletter Editor: Bernice Cohen.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My name is Lawrence Sperling (everyone calls me Larry) and I have been elected as President of Jewish Residents of Leisure World.

We have new officers and directors and some of the committees have new chairpersons. I am looking forward to working with all the members of the Board of Directors and the committee chairpersons in the upcoming year to provide more services for all of the members of the JRLW.

I intend to provide more community programs so that more members can participate, not just in the religious aspects.

I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank Morton Davis for his exceptional job as President of JRLW and all of the Board of Directors and committee chairpersons who have performed their services admirably.

I want to point out at this time a few special events for May.

May 7 - Health Expo in Clubhouse I. Bring your friends.

May 9 - Our first ever Women's Shabbat.

May 17 - Brunch will be sponsored by NA'AMAT. This will be the last brunch until September 2015.

May 28 - Israel Independence Day Celebration - 2:00 p.m. in Clubhouse II.

Special events for the Shavuot holiday should be noted on your calendar:

May 23 - study with Rabbi Samber.

May 24 - special introduction for our new Torah.

May 25 - Shavuot Services and Yiskor

Please note other important dates for the month of May are listed on the front of the JRLW newsletter.

I am looking forward to working with all the members of JRLW. I will listen to all ideas.

I am listed in the phone book and I will have an e-mail address in the future.

Shalom.

Larry Sperling

MAY DATES

- Fri Cons. Shabbat Svc sponsored by NA'AMAT
- 2 Sat Study w/Rabbi Samber CH II 9:15 am
- 5 Tues JRLW Bd Mtg. CH II 7:00 pm
- 6 Wed JWV Mtg. CH I 11:00 am
- 6 Wed Hadassah Bd Mtg CH I 10:00 am
- 7 Thur EXPO CH I 10:00 am -- 3:00 pm
- 9 Sat Women's Shabbat Svc. CH II 9:15 am
- 12 Tue NA'AMAT Bd Mtg CH I 10:30 am
- 16 Sat Study w/Rabbi Samber CH II 9:15 am
- 17 Sun JRLW BRUNCH CH I 10:00 am
- 18 Mon Hadassah Study Group CH I 1:30 pm
- 19 Tues NA'AMAT Donor Lunch
- 20 Wed Hadassah Mtg CH I 12:30 pm
- 23 Sat Study w/Rabbi Samber CH II 9:15
- 24 Sun Shavuot Svc & Torah Dedication CH II 9:15 am
- 25 Mon Shavuot/Yiskor Svc CH II 9:15 am
- 28 Thur Israel Celebration CH II 2:00 pm
- 30 Sat Study w/Rabbi Samber CH II 9:15 am

MAY JRLW BRUNCH

Evelyn Dickman



Our May Brunch will be held on Sunday, May 17, at 10:00 am. The May Brunch will be sponsored by NA'AMAT. The speaker, Charles Heller, will

talk about being young boy in Europe during the 1930's when Hitler and the Nazi party were coming to power and how it affected him and his family. His talk should be very interesting.

We look forward to seeing you at the Brunch. The cost is \$10.00 per person, check payable to JRLW. Mail check to Jerry & Shirley Gordon, 15311 Beaverbrook Court, #3A, Silver Spring MD 20906.

JRLW GROUP E-MAIL

Last month, there was a notice in our Newsletter about restarting the JRLW group e-mail. In the month of March, there had to be sudden cancellations and changes of events. We had no way of letting the general membership know of these cancellations or changes. By using a group e-mail, any member who has an e-mail address could have been notified within minutes. If you would like to be part of the e-mail group, please send an e-mail to Bernice Cohen at bernifc@juno.com and your name will be added to our list. The list will only be used when an important announcement has to reach our members.

There was very poor response to the proposed group e-mail. If you are interested, but forgot to e-mail me, please do so now, Otherwise, we will drop this idea.

FYI: You can get up-to-date information about any cancellation of Leisure World Programs on Channel 972, the Leisure World T.V.

GOOD AND WELFARE

We wish a speedy recovery to Nate Sternberg, Jerry Weiss and Bob Stromberg. These men have all been hospitalized and are now doing well.

Thanks to the women of JRLW who are taking part in our Women's Shabbat.

A special personal thanks to Fran Feder, Shirley Griffin, Shirley Rosenhaft and Fred Shapiro for all their help with the JRLW Newsletter.

We welcome the new officers and board members of JRLW. We hope you have a successful year as leaders of JRLW.

We wish a speedy recovery to Bob Kessler. A speedy recovery to Barbara Marcus following hip surgery.

We are happy to learn that Lucky Malamut is recuperating nicely.

Todah Rabah to Natalie Brodsky and her crew for the exceptional job they did for the Bernstein B'not Mitzvot as well as all the other Shabbat Kiddushes they prepared throughout the year.

Blanche Cherpack is home from rehab and doing well. Blanche, we are happy that you are back.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mickey Myers.



THE DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE
NEWSLETTER IS MAY 10. ANY ARTICLE
SENT IN AFTER THAT DATE WILL APPEAR
IN THE JULY NEWSLETTER.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It's time to renew your membership for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. Please fill out the form below so we can make sure your information is correct. Make your checks payable to JRLW and mail to:

Barbara Levin JRLW 3200 N. Leisure World Blvd Apt 308 Silver Spring, MD 20906

	_Individual (\$20)		_Couples (\$40)
Name:			
Phone Number:		_ Email Address:	
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LIFE MEMBER

You may also want to consider becoming a Life Member. Life Membership is a way of showing support and commitment to JRLW. It also means you do not have to pay your annual dues. The chart below shows the cost of Life Membership and is based on Age.

Age	Cost
64 and under	\$375
65-69	\$300
70-74	\$285
75-79	\$225
80-84	\$175
85-+	\$100

CANTOR'S CORNER MAY, 2015

Mike Kravitz

As I mentioned at the end of April's column, something would happen in late 1993 that would get me over the hump in my quest to appear on JEOPARDY! A Chanukah present from some newly-married friends would turn me from a wannabe into a contender. That gift was a book called SECRETS OF THE JEOPARDY! CHAMPIONS and was cowritten by two Tournament of Champions winners. I went through that book from cover to cover, mastering the material on their lists and making some lists of my own. During that time, JEOPARDY! began holding open try-outs at Merv Griffin's RESORTS INTERNATIONAL hotel and casino in Atlantic City, New Jersey. A contestant needed to take a preliminary test and get a minimum of 7 correct answers to 10 questions in 3 minutes in order to qualify to take the general test at a later date. Atlantic City was 175 miles from my then-home in Gaithersburg, 350 total miles round trip in order to take a 3-minute qualifying test. I was more than willing to do it. Prior to leaving, I made a tape of myself with questions from various categories (world capitals, literature, constitutional amendments, U.S. Cabinets and Secretaries, etc.), left a space on the tape for an answer followed by my reading the correct answer. During the drive I put the tape into the tape player and listened to myself over and over. By the time I got to Atlantic City I was sharp. I took the test and finished with time to spare and went down to the casino to wait for the names of those who had passed to be announced. My name was called and I was invited back to take the general test in April.

In the meantime something unexpected happened that would make me even more JEOPARDY! ready. The coach of the IT'S ACADEMIC team at Montgomery Blair High School had taken ill, was on indefinite leave. and was not able to coach the team as it got ready for the 1994 play-offs for the show. I had coached the IT'S ACADEMIC team previously at Walter Johnson High School and had been a co-coach for the State of Maryland Academic Team that had won the national championship at the Panasonic Academic Challenge in Florida in 1992. The principal at Blair and members of the team asked me to take over the coaching duties, and I did. I worked regularly with the team a couple of afternoons a week, and we had a number of quiz bowl books with questions and answers. I got to use those in practice with the kids, and a lot of that information stayed with me. When I went back to Atlantic City in April, I took a number of those books with me to practice. This written test was 50 categories/50 questions, similar to the tests I had taken in California. There was one difference this time - I passed. I made it to the mock JEOPARDY! game and the producer's interview where I got the chance to talk to contestant coordinator, Glenn Kagan. I drove home and waited for the call. And waited. And waited. By February, 1995, I realized that call wasn't coming, and if I wanted to be on JEOPARDY! I would need to start all over again. Which is exactly what I did.



CANTORS CONCERT TO CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL

By Fred Shapiro, Community Liaison

The four major Jewish organizations in Leisure World will co-sponsor a Cantors' Concert in celebration of the State of Israel, Thursday, May 28, at 2:00 pm in the Clubhouse II auditorium. The Jewish Residents of Leisure World will be joined by Hadassah, Na'Amat and the Jewish War Veterans in welcoming the Israel Embassy and a group of Cantors recruited from the Cantors Assembly. The proceeds from the program will be donated to provide medical equipment for the new building at Hadassah Hospital in Israel and to Magen David Adom, the Israeli Red Cross. Tickets are available at E&R for a donation of \$12.00. Checks should be made out to JRLW.

The Cantors who will entertain include Hazzans Sara Geller, Hinda Eisen Lebovitz, Wendy Fried, Rebecca Pohl Apt and Sidney Rabinowitz. They will perform traditional Jewish and Israeli musical arrangements.

The tradition for the Leisure World celebration of the State of Israel is to donate the proceeds to organizations that provide much needed services to the people in Israel and the world. This year the two recipients are Hadassah Hospital and Mogen David Adom.

The program will conclude with a presentation by a diplomat from the Israeli Embassy here in D.C.



COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD



A listing of interesting things happening in our community.

Each Thursday there is a day-long program, including lunch, held at **Har Tzeon-Agudath Achim**, a satellite program of the JCCGW: The highlight for May:

May 28: Bob Lachin at the piano

If you have any questions, call Linda Wechsler at 301-348-3893.

Special Invite to Temple Bat Yam at the Beach. For those of you who are interested in attending Shabbat Services or partaking in Jewish fellowship and socializing while at the beaches in the Ocean City area, Temple Bat Yam in Berlin, Maryland, gives the perfect answer! The Temple is offering a dues-free membership for up to a year for a test drive before you decide if you want to join. For more information, please call Peggy Tomarell, Office Administrator, at 410-641-4311. Or call Leisure World resident and member of Bat Yam, Ronnye Levin at 301-598-6064.

B'nai Shalom of Olney, 18401 Burtfield Drive, Olney, MD, welcomes Joanne Caras, author of Holocaust Survivor Cookbook and Miracles and Meals on Tuesday, May 5th, from 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm. Enjoy an inspirational presentation and book signing, along with coffee and desserts from recipes in the cookbooks, \$5.00 donation.

Cookbooks will be available for purchase at the event. To reserve your spot or for more information contact: Cindy Shuman at vpmembershipbso@gmail.com or call the Synagogue office 301-774-0879.

HADASSAH

At the Hadassah meeting to be held on Wednesday, May 20, Al Temin will speak on "Israel & China: Not So Strange Bedfellows." Al is a resident of Leisure World who travels frequently to Israel with his wife Ruth. He makes a convincing case for the similarities between Israel & China. Socializing begins at 12:30 pm and the meeting starts at 1:00pm in Clubhouse I. All Leisure World residents are welcome to attend.

The Judaic Study Group will meet on Monday, May 18 at 1:30pm in Clubhouse I. New members are welcome. The group is doing a series of studies called "Parsha of the Week." For further information call Joan Lees (301-598-3768).

The national major fundraiser, "Every Step Counts," is underway. So far, three of our members -- Janet Lazar (15311 Beaverbrook Ct #90-1B), Barbara Eisen (3200 N. Leisure World Blvd. #810), and Naomi Kline (3210 N. Leisure World Blvd. #517) -- are participating in the virtual walk between Hadassah headquarters in New York and Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem. The walk for Greater Washington Hadassah will culminate in a walk-bike-run event on Sunday, October 18, at Rock Creek Park. The purpose of the walkathon is to raise funds for heart health. including heart research and programs on living a heart healthy life. Our walkers need your donations. Please send a check in any amount, payable to Hadassah, to the walker you wish to support.

We are offering a new trip to the American Music Theatre in Lancaster on Thursday, August 13. This time, in addition to seeing an original musical revue at the theater, we will

be attending the Landis Valley Village & Farm Museum. Lunch will be served at the farm. Choices are vegetarian lasagna or eggplant parmesan. A choice of apple or blueberry pie with or without ice cream must be selected for dessert. After lunch we will proceed by bus to the American Music Theatre to see "Inspire" featuring heart-warming music including songs made famous by artists such as Josh Groban, Celine Deon, Sarah Brightman and many others. The bus will start boarding at Clubhouse II at 7:30am. To join the trip send your check, \$110 per person, payable to Hadassah, to Faye A. Freedman, 14 Finsbury Park Court, Silver Spring, MD 20906. Include your local phone number and lunch choices. The trip is open to all. For more information, call 301-598-9919.



JRLW and the JCC Coming of Age Program:

SIXTH ANNUAL "TO LIFE" HEALTH & WELLNESS EXPO

By David Firestone

The 6th Annual Health and Wellness Expo will be held Thursday, May 7, from 10 am to 3 pm in Clubhouse I. **FREE ADMISSION and FREE BAGS**. Highlights include more than 50 exhibitors and Preventive Health Screenings (ending at 2 p.m.), and Entertainment and Live Music, Interactive Workshops, Consumer Advocacy, "Capture a Memory" photo of you and friend(s), Lifelong Learning Opportunities, "Head to Toe" Massages and Makeovers, Social and Community Organizations, **FREE Give-a-ways**, and a Grand Finale Show (Prepurchased tickets at \$6 required in advance at E&R).

Great Raffle Prizes at the Expo include restaurants, Broadway tickets, hair and nail salons, stores, boutiques, bus trips to NYC and more. **The Keynote Speaker** at 11 a.m. is NPR's **Susan Stamberg** with "Talk is Never Cheap!" **The Grand Finale Show**, 2:15-3 p.m. features, from New York, standup-comic, Joel Chasnoff.

11:30 am: Delicious Lunch, purchase on-site (\$10). Lunch will be served until 1:15 p.m. 11:45 am: Tai Chi with instructor Barry Collier 12:30 pm: Andrea Hancock, "Seniorita Sunshine"

1:15 pm: singer Karin Paludan & pianist Wes McCune ("George, Ira and Friends")

WORKSHOPS:

11:45-12:15 p.m. - **Do You Snooze, Doze, or Nap?!** Walt Sonneville, Author & Columnist. 12-30-1 p.m. - **The Art of the Flower:** Van Gogh, Manet & Matisse. Joan Hart, Art Historian.

1:15-1:45 pm: - **Jews in a Changing Cuba**. Betty Adler, Photographer.

NA'AMAT NEWS

Ruth Reid

A little reminder to our members about NA'AMAT USA's mission: We are here to support our sister organization NA'AMAT Israel.

NA'AMAT Israel is the largest women's organization in Israel. The money we raise goes to Israel and that is where it is determined where the greatest need is and where the greatest good would do. They and only they can determine that. There are many areas such as providing quality day care centers, two youth villages home for 600 troubled teens, 18 technological/vocation schools for 3,500 youths at risk, 30 legal aid bureaus that assist more than 10,000 women annually with legal counseling and many more areas that they focus on. When you support an event or make a contribution, remember you are doing your share in helping those less fortunate than we are and who need our continuing support.

Dates to remember: Sunday, May 17, JRLW Brunch sponsored by NA'AMAT. Charles O Heller will be the speaker.

Tuesday, May 19, Donor/Installation Luncheon at the Manor Country Club.

Board meeting Tuesday May 12, 10:30 am (note the date..a week before our regular date or it would have conflicted with the Donor Luncheon).

REMEMBER: THINK ISRAEL, THINK NA'AMAT!!

RECIPE CORNER

May means Shavuot. Shavuot means a dairy dish. This recipe for Blintz Souffle is easy and delicious.

Ingredients

- 2 pkgs of frozen cheese or cherry blintzes defrosted.
- 1/4 lb butter or margarine.
- 4 eggs will beaten or an 8 oz package of Eggbeaters.
- 1 ½ cup sour cream or light sour cream.
- pinch salt.
- 1 tsp vanilla.
- 1/4 cup sugar

Spray bottom of a 2 quart casserole dish with vegetable spray. Place blintzes with fold side down in one layer. Melt margarine and blend with all ingredients. Pour over blintzes. Bake at 350° for 45 minutes. (I alternate cherry and cheese blintzes when laying out the blintzes.)



WE GET LETTERS!

Dear Mr. Firestone,

I wanted to thank you so much for all of your assistance with the service for Irv, Tyler and Cori Bernstein last week. I know there was a lot of extra work that you had to do to provide for our guests and I really appreciate it. I also really wanted to thank you for allowing so many of our family members to participate in the service and allow them to have as many honors in the service as they did. It really made the service that much more memorable for everyone. They were all so happy to be active participants in such a special day.

/s/ Nicole Bernstein

TZEDAKAH, KIDDUSH AND ONEG DONATIONS

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

KIDDUSH

Kiddush donation by Sonya Korenblit for the Women's Shabbat Service in May.

Inge and Egon Guttman for Kiddush on Shavuot when the new Torah is dedicated.

ONEG

Adele Traurig for Bob Kessler's continued good health.

Contribution by NA'AMAT.

TZEDAKAH

Davida and Eddie Alexander wish Mazel to Glenda and Irving Bernstein on two of their grandsons having Alliyot and Irving celebrating the anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah.

Henny and Harold Steinman to Lynn Cooper in memory of her husband Arnold Cooper.

Sandra Ehrlich to Bob Kessler for a speedy recovery.

Joan and George Stricker in honor of the Bernstein Family.

Gloria Brown to the Bernstein Family in honor of the B'nai Mitzvot of Cory E. Bernstein and Tyler S. Bernstein.

Barbara and Howard Rothenberg to Bob Kessler on his speedy recovery from surgery.

Joyce Fischer to Naomi and Steve Kline in honor of their grandson.

Carole and Hymie Rosenberg to Millie Kipperman in memory of her husband Bernie Kipperman.

Evelyn Attanasia in loving memory of Estelle Turtil.

Selma Rosenstack in loving memory of Estelle Turtil.

Milli and David White in memory of Estelle Turtil.

Milli and David White sending get well wishes to Stan Favin.

Marcia Hahn in memory of Mitchell Liberman, beloved brother of Shirley and Sigmund Liberman.

Linda and David Reiff in memory of Estelle Turtil.

Susan and Jerry Weiss sending get well wishes to Nate Sternberg.

George Goldrich in loving memory of my wife Marsha.



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 a minimum donation of \$25.00. Send your check, made out to JRLW, to Annette Cooper at 15107 Interlachen Drive, Apt. 812, Silver Spring, MD 20906.

PRAYER BOOK FUND:

Florence Brown in memory of beloved husband Joshua Edward Brown.

Shirley and Jerry Gordon in memory of Leonard Cohen, to his wife Hilda Cohen.

TORAH FUND DONATIONS:

Elaine and Jerry Daniels in memory of Estelle Turtil.

The Gillman family in honor of the Bar Mitzvahs of Irv, Tyler and Corey Bernstein.

George Goldrich in honor of the new Torah.

Sandy and Walter Budman wishing Stanley Favin a speedy recovery from his recent illness.

Anna Rae Gerstel and Lillian Snyder in memory of Rita Franks, mother of Linda Franks Caplan.

TORAH DEDICATION

Sid Sussan

On Sunday morning, May 24, 2015, there will be "a once in a lifetime" opportunity to be present when JRLW's newly-written Torah is dedicated under a chuppah during Shavuot services. Services will begin at 9:15 a.m. and the dedication is expected to begin at about 10 a.m.

Shavuot is the anniversary of the giving of the Torah to the Jewish people at Mount Sinai and, as such, is a most appropriate time for this ceremony known as Seder Hachnasat Sefer Torah. As you may know, this is a lightweight but complete Torah that will be significantly easier to lift. This Torah, which is the handwork of an Israeli sofer or ritual scribe, also has excellent calligraphy, making it much easier to read. It will also be presented with new custom-made vestments.

The purchase was made possible through the contributions of many members of JRLW; especially Mr. & Mrs. Sid Sussan, Dr. Laurie Gosnell, Mr. Steve Freedman, Mr. & Mrs. Fred Firnbacher, Mr. & Mrs. Allan Firestone, Mr. John Downey, and an anonymous donor. We are grateful to all of our members who have contributed to the Torah Fund which enabled us to make this purchase.

There will be a Kiddush following the Service.

Please RSVP to Laura & Sid Sussan at 240-242-3220; lauraandsid@gmail.com by May 10, 2015, so there can be adequate planning for the Kiddush.



GRANDPARENTS QVELLING



Sarah Decederfelt, granddaughter of Dolores Shapiro will graduate from Sherwood High in May and go on to the University of Maryland Honors Program.

Sam Friedman, grandson of Bernice Cohen, will graduate from Walker Mill High School in Frederick with high honors and will attend the University of Maryland Engineering Program.

Sarah Schecker, granddaughter of Julia Schecker is graduating from Walter Johnson High School and will be entering N.Y.U. Tisch School of the Arts Photography Program in the fall.

Robert Schwartz, grandson of Muriel Brenner will be graduating from the University of Colorado, Boulder.

Julia Brenner, granddaughter of Muriel Brenner is graduating from Merion Mercy Academy High School.

Joshua Dalva, grandson of Edie Kramer, is on the Dean's List at Boston University. He is graduating this month and will then go on to the U.S. Naval Flight School.

Jaime Weiser, granddaughter of Alan Weiser, is graduating from Tuscarora High School, Frederick, Maryland, and will be entering Florida International University Honors Program majoring in Management Information Systems with a minor in Health Care Administration. She has been awarded a full four year scholarship by the University.

Logan Tritto, grandson of Beverly and Lee Rosenblatt, is graduating from Wooton High School.

Sam Jenks, grandson of Helen and Josh Bass, is graduating from West Chester University, West Chester, Pennsylvania, with a B.A. in Communications.

Molly Friedman, granddaughter of Bernice Cohen, graduated from American University with a double degree. She will now be entering law school.

Rachel Suzanne Curwin, granddaughter of Barbara Barban, is graduating from Vanderbilt University.

Jacob Weinreb, grandson of Marilyn and George Kessler is graduating from American University where he was honored for the highest male grade-point average; all this, while he played four years on the men's soccer team. Jacob majored in mathematics and economics.

Mitchell Blum, grandson of Bobbye and Stan Hertzbach, is graduating from Sherwood High School in June and will be attending Penn State, Harrisburg in the fall.

Chloe Kerwin, granddaughter of Janet and Sidney Lazar, will become a Bat Mitzvah on May 2.

Timothy Daly, grandson of Shirley Griffin, was inducted into the Alpha Eta Honor Society devoted to scholarship in allied health. He passed the National Registry Exam for Paramedics with honors.



RELIGIOUS COMMITTEE

Allan Firestone

Passover is over and our next major activity will be on May 9 when we will celebrate the women of JRLW with a special service. The service will coincide with Mother's Day and will be conducted entirely by the women of JRLW with two minor exceptions: Jerry Miller will conduct the Preliminary Service and Cantor Michael Kravitz will conduct the Schacharit Service.

The women of JRLW will conduct the entire service on Women's Sabbath - all the English readings, the opening and closing of the Ark, the carrying of the Torah, and the processional as well as the honors of Hagba and Glila. All Aliyot will honor the JRLW women, the readers of the portions of the Torah will also be women and a woman will chant the Haftorah.

We are looking forward to a very successful service and hope to make it an annual event. Who knows, maybe by next year we will have a volunteer step forward to take over the preliminary service and the men will be strictly observers.

MAY RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Friday evening Shabbat Services will be held on May 1 at 7:30 pm. The Services will be held in the Interfaith Chapel. Rabbi Gary Fink will conduct the Services. The Choir will be led by Ed Laskin. An Oneg and social hour will follow the Services.

Rabbi Samber will lead a short service and Torah study on Saturdays May 2, 16, 23 and 30 at 9:15 am in Clubhouse II.

On Saturday, May 9, there will be a special Women's Shabbat Service in Clubhouse II at 9:15 am.

There will be Shavuot Service and dedication of our new Torah on Sunday, May 24, at 9:15. The Service will take place in Clubhouse II.

On Monday, May 25, we will hold Shavuot and Yiskor Services in Clubhouse II at 9:15 am.



WE REMEMBER...

Our condolences to the families of

Estelle Turtil
Bert Stoller
Jay Michael Garfinkle

May their memory be as a blessing.



SHAVUOT

What is Shavuot?

The Torah was given by God to the Jewish people on Mount Sinai more than 3300 years ago. Each year, on the holiday of Shavuot we renew our acceptance of God's gift.

The word *Shavuot* means "weeks." It marks the completion of the seven-week counting period (counting the omer each evening) between Passover and Shavuot.

The giving of the Torah was a far-reaching spiritual event--one that touched the essence of the Jewish soul for all times. Our sages have compared it to a wedding between God and the Jewish people. *Shavuot* also means "oaths," for on this day God swore eternal devotion to us, and we in turn pledged everlasting loyalty to Him.

In ancient times, two wheat loaves would be offered in the Holy Temple. It was also at this time that people would begin to bring bikkurim, their first and choicest fruits, to the Temple, to thank God for Israel's bounty.

Shavuot is a two-day holiday, beginning at sundown of the 5th of Sivan and lasting until nightfall of the 7th of Sivan. (In Israel it is a one-day holiday.)

*Holiday candles are lit on both the first and second evenings of the holiday.

*With some Jews, it is the custom to stay up all night learning Torah on the first night of Shavuot.

*All Jews should go to synagogue on the first day of Shavuot to hear the reading of the Ten Commandments.

*It is customary to eat dairy foods on Shavuot. Blintzes are a favorite. When two blintzes are placed side by side, it is said they resemble the Tablets of the Ten Commandments.

*On the second day of Shavuot, the Yizkor service is recited.

Here in Leisure World, the holiday of Shavuot this year is very special because on the first day of Shavuot, we will be dedicating a new Torah. This Torah, purchased with the donations from our members, is a lighter weight Torah making it easier to lift.





Subject: THE SECRET OF A LONG JEWISH MARRIAGE

A synagogue in holds marriage seminars for the community. Some are for women, some for their husbands and some they attend together. At the men's seminar last week, the rabbi asked Shlomo about his marriage. Shlomo replied that he had been married for almost 50 years.

The rabbi was impressed and asked him to take a few minutes and share some insight into how he had managed to stay married to the same woman all these years. Shlomo replied to the assembled husbands, "I've tried to treat her nice, spend money on her, let her keep a Kosher home, take her on trips and never look at other women. Best of all, I took her to Israel for our 25th anniversary!"

The rabbi responded, "Shlomo, you are amazing! What you are planning for your wife for your 50th anniversary?"

Shlomo proudly replied, "I'm going back to Israel to pick her up."

SOME OF THE JRLW ACTIVITIES THIS YEAR















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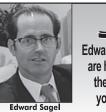
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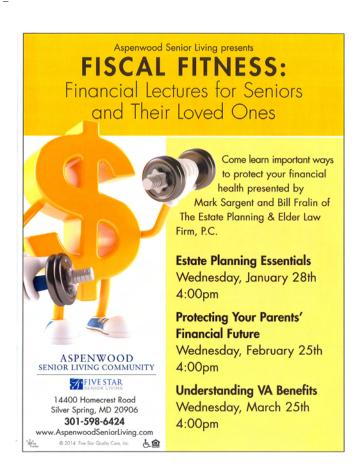


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