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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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I hope you all had a wonderful, meaningful Passover. Even though it is so much work, the holiday and what it stands for, makes it all worthwhile. Besides, it's a good way to get your spring cleaning done.

May is shaping up to be a busy month. We will have the Nationals baseball game on May 11 and the Women's Shabbat on May 13. Don't forget the Health Expo on Thursday, May 18. I hope you will get to enjoy all of these activities.

So far we haven't had many people sign up for the trip to the Naval Academy on July 21. I just want to remind you that the trip costs only one dollar (for the driver's tip) and is well worth while. I know the date is far in the future, but we do have plans to make, so PLEASE SIGN UP. The young people really appreciate us coming and it is FUN.

I want to remind you that all of the committees that make up the board of JRLW are busy at work. Brand new book plates, used to honor or remember our loved ones, or a special occasion, have been printed and are ready to put into the donated books. Please contact Janet Lazar when you want to make a donation to the prayer book fund.

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## MAY 2017

- 02 Tue - JRLW Bd Mtg CH II 7:00 pm
- 03 Wed - JWV Mtg CH I 10 am
- 05 Fri - JRLW Cons. Shabbat Svc Interfaith Chapel 7:30 pm
- 06 Sat - Study w/Rabbi Samber CH II 9:15 am
- 11 Thu - Nationals Baseball Game
- 13 Sat - JRLW Women's Shabbat Svc CH II 9:15 am
- 15 Mon - Hadassah Study Group CH I 1:30 pm
- 16 Tue - Na'Amat Bd Mtg CH I 10:30 am
- 17 Wed - Hadassah Bd Mtg CH I 7:30 pm
- 18 Thu - EXPO
- 18 Thu - Na'Amat Donor Luncheon
- 20 Sat - Study w/Rabbi Samber CH II 9:15 am
- 21 Sun - JRLW Brunch CH I 10:00 am
- 24 Wed - Hadassah Program CH II 7:30 m
- 27 Sat - Study w/Rabbi Samber CH II 9:15 am
- 30 Tue - Erev Shavuot
- 31 Wed - Shavuot

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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The membership committee is in the process of arranging a new member reception for the fall.

Evelyn Dickman, our Program Chairwoman, has sent out another SOS. She really needs someone to help her. It is a demanding, but fun job and even though Evelyn has done a great job getting outstanding programs for our brunches, she is getting tired and needs HELP! Isn't there someone who would like to lend a hand? Please call either Evelyn Dickman or me. Think about it and pick up the phone and call. Thank you so much.

Shalom

*Miriam (Kitty) Atkin*

## WELCOME!

JRLW welcomes **Esta Cooperman** as a new member. We hope that you enjoy all that our organization has to offer!



### NEWSLETTER STAFF

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**THE DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE NEWSLETTER IS MAY 10. ARTICLES SUBMITTED AFTER THAT DATE WILL APPEAR IN THE JULY NEWSLETTER.**

## MAY RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Friday evening Conservative Shabbat Services, sponsored by Na'Amat, will be held on May 5, at 7:30 pm, 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.

On Saturday morning, May 13, at 9:15 am, in Clubhouse II, we will hold a special Womens' Shabbat Services. The Torah Portion will be Emor. This Service will be led by the women of JRLW. We hope you will come and support these women. There will be a Kiddush following Services. Come for Services and stay for a nosh and shmooze with friends.

JRLW Shavuot Yiskor Services will be held on Thursday, June 1, in Clubhouse II at 9:15 am.

Rabbi Samber will lead a short service and Torah study on Saturdays, May 6, 20 and 27, at 9:15 am in Clubhouse II. All are welcome.



## SAVE THE DATE!



### JRLW IS GOING TO ATLANTIC CITY!

WHEN: NOVEMBER 6 - 8.

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR MORE INFORMATION. CALL SUE SANDLER, 240-242-3742, FOR MORE DETAILS.

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# CANTOR'S CORNER

Michael Kravitz

This year, Yom Haatzma'ut, Israeli Independence Day, will be celebrated on the 6th day of the Hebrew month of Iyar, 5777 which corresponds to May 2, 2017. Many of you remember learning "HATIKVAH" while you were still very young and think it has been the Israeli national anthem since 1948. But, "HATIKVAH" had a checkered history on its way to becoming the Israeli national anthem. Let's see how much you know about "HATIKVAH". I'll put all of you into JEOPARDY! once again with the following three answers. Cover the area directly after these answers to avoid cheating! Remember to put your responses in the form of a question.

1. "HATIKVAH" was first sung in Basel, Switzerland in 1897 at this international Jewish gathering.

2. One of the objections to "HATIKVAH" as a national anthem was that the melody bore a strong resemblance to the beginning of this composition by Czech composer Bedrich Smetana.

3. On the Gregorian calendar, "HATIKVAH" formally became the Israeli national anthem in this year.

1. What is the First Zionist Congress?
2. What is "The Moldau" (from "MA VLAST" ("My Country"))?
3. What is 2004?

How many of you got all three? That's what I thought.

"HATIKVAH" actually began its life as part of a 9-stanza poem called "TIKVATENU" ("Our Hope"). It was written by a 19th century Hebrew poet named Naftali Hertz Imber who lived from 1856 to 1909. The poem was put to a melody adapted by Samuel Cohen from a Moldavian folk song called "Carul Cu Boi" which translates as "Cart and Oxen." "HATIKVAH" became popular

among early Zionists, and it was sung at the First Zionist Congress. Not everyone liked it. One of the people who strongly objected to it was one Theodore Herzl who disliked it so much that he started several international competitions to come up with an alternative. None of those competitions provided a successful alternative. "HATIKVAH" took on additional criticism by some who felt that a melody similar to Smetana's "MOLDAU" should not be used. In addition, some religious Zionists complained that there was no mention of the name of God in the text. Rabbi Abraham Isaac Kook, the great Hebrew scholar, wrote a poem called "Ha-Emunah" ("the Faith") which he hoped would be used for a national anthem's text. His poem includes a line of which the English translation is "the steadfast faith in the return to our holy land...where we shall serve our God." Still another proposed text for a national anthem was Hayim Nahman Bialik's poem "Birkat Ha-Am" ("The People's Blessing") in which a translated line includes "Strengthen the hands of our brothers renewing the soil of our land." So, there was much objection to "HATIKVAH" from many sources over many years.

Yet, despite the protests, "HATIKVAH" continued to be popular. In 1933 at the 18th Zionist Congress' convention, "HATIKVAH" was adopted as the Zionist movement's anthem. In 1948, while "HATIKVAH" wasn't officially named the State of Israel's national anthem, it was performed at all State functions. 56 years later, "HATIKVAH" officially became the national anthem of the State of Israel. In its final form, "HATIKVAH" has 2 stanzas which capture the Jew's desire to return to an ancient homeland. Here is a translation of the powerful Hebrew words of "HATIKVAH."

As long as the Jewish spirit yearns deep in the heart with eyes turned eastward looking toward Zion, our hope is not yet lost. The hope of 2000 years, to be a free people in our land, the land of Zion and Jerusalem.

Quite a story, no?

A joyous Yom Haatzma'ut to you all.

## MEMBERSHIP IN JRLW

It's time to renew your membership in the Jewish Residents of Leisure World. Why?

By being a member of JRLW, you belong to the largest organization in Leisure World. There are many benefits of being a member.

You can come together socially with other Jewish residents of Leisure World following our services, while attending one of the many classes offered, by coming to our monthly brunches and by attending the movies shown under the auspices of the Coming of Age.

We have programs observing Yom Hashoah. We have both Reform and Conservative High Holy Day Services. We have services observing Purim and Shavuot. We also have Yiskor Services five times a year.

We have a community Second Seder to celebrate Passover.

We have Shabbat services twice a month, once on Friday evenings and once on Saturday mornings. On Saturdays (other than the second Saturday) Rabbi Samber conducts a short service and Torah study.

We have a tradition of having a special Women's Shabbat Service each May.

We travel! We go to a Nats baseball game. We take trips to Atlantic City. We attend Shabbat Services at the Jewish Chapel at the U.S. Naval academy in Annapolis.

We attend plays at the Theater J in JCCDC. We are always looking for new ways to educate, entertain and serve our community. JRLW is the umbrella organization for all of the Jewish organizations here in Leisure World.

In short, you need to join or renew your membership to be a part of our Jewish community here in Leisure World. Please fill out the form on page 3 of this Newsletter and send it, with your check, to Milli White.

## A NEW PAPER IN TOWN

Fred Shapiro

**Kol HaBirah: Voice of the Capital** is a new bi-weekly Jewish publication serving the greater Washington, D.C. area. Kol HaBirah was launched in February 2017. Copies of the newspaper will be available for Leisure World residents in the Clubhouse II lobby. The mission of Kol HaBirah is to connect and strengthen the diverse community it serves in several ways:

- Enrichment and Support.
- Community Connection.
- Credible Reporting and Respectful, Open Dialogue.
- Traditional Torah Values
- Support for the United States and Israel.

## ABOUT OUR HISTORY

Ralph Shapiro

Who led the early American Zionist movement before becoming a Supreme Court Justice?

Louis Brandeis became the first American Jewish leader to embrace Zionism. Working to resolve garment industry problems, he interacted with several European Zionists and learned to appreciate the problems worldly Jews had. He induced prominent and wealthy Jews to support Zionism. He recruited Rabbi Stephen S. Wise to join him as powerful leaders of the American Zionist movement. Brandeis bowed out after being appointed a U.S. Supreme Court Justice. Brandeis's motto was "To be good Americans, we must be better Jews, and to be better Jews, we must become Zionist."

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It's time to renew your membership for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Please fill out the form below so we can make sure your information is correct. Make your checks payable to JRLW and mail to:

MILLI WHITE  
JRLW  
2901 S. Leisure World Blvd # 106  
Silver Spring, MD 20906

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual (\$20)      \_\_\_\_\_ Couples (\$40)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

We appreciate your continued support. If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at 301-438-0211.

## 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.

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



## COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD



### HAR TZEON AGUDATH ACHIM

Each Thursday there is a day-long program, including lunch, held at **Har Tzeon-Agudath Achim**, a satellite program of the JCCGW. Lunch is at noon and the program starts at 1:00 pm.

May 18 - Arpa Amore harp concert  
"For the Birds"

May 25 - Ed Laskin and Susan Urban  
Sing-a-Long

### Wednesdays at YOUNG ISRAEL SHOMRAI EMUNAH:

May 3 - Seniors on Stage: spirited staged  
play readings

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### SHAARE TEFILA SYNAGOGUE

As a Conservative, egalitarian synagogue ([www.shaaretefila.org](http://www.shaaretefila.org)), we are always here for you if you wish to attend our daily religious services, or observe a Yahrzeit and say Kaddish: mornings (Sunday at 8:45 am, Monday and Thursday at 8:00 am), and evenings (Sunday-Thursday at 7:30 pm). Rabbi Jonah Layman will be officiating. Contact Sara in our Office, 301-593-3410, for more information about our classes in Torah (Fridays at 9:30 am), Talmud (Sundays at 9:30 am), Contemporary Jewish Issues (the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month, also streaming live), and Conversational Hebrew (alternating Sundays). Israeli dancing is held Thursday evenings at 8:00 pm.

## TIKVAT ISRAEL CONGREGATION

An Egalitarian Conservative shul  
2200 Baltimore Rd., Rockville

(Between Norbeck Rd. and Twinbrook Parkway)  
Have a need to say Kaddish? Please give us a try.

### Weekday & Shabbat Service Times

	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
am	9:00	6:45	–	–	6:45	8:00	9:30
pm	7:30	7:30	7:30	7:30	7:30	6:30	--

Please note: PM minyanim will include afternoon service until further notice.

For further info: Call Office @ 301-762-7338 or  
Ted (JRLW member) @ 301-929-1542

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**Montgomery County Department of Police**, in partnership with ArcLight Cinemas Westfield Montgomery, has a free Senior Safety Forum on the first Wednesday of every month. In addition to their senior safety talk, there is a fee movie. For further information call Morty Davis, 240-242-3742.

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## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Marriage is a relationship in which one person is always right, and the other is a husband.



# HADASSAH

Barbara Eisen

We are pleased to present the Yesodot Dance Troupe on Wednesday, May 24, at 7:30 pm, in the Clubhouse II Auditorium. The dance troupe will be performing a variety of dances representing different aspects of Israel. The troupe is composed of teens in grades 9 through 12 in the Washington, DC area. Yesodot performs locally for Jewish groups and also travels outside of the DC area to attend Israeli Dance Festivals. Refreshments will be served after the performance. The charge is \$3 per person. Your check payable to Hadassah should be sent to Janet Lazar, 15311 Beaverbrook Ct., Silver Spring, MD 20906 by May 17. If you need a ride to the performance or are able to take others, please contact Janet (301-598-4066, lazarjl@verizon.net). All Leisure World residents are welcome.

The Judaic Study Group will meet in Clubhouse I on Monday, May 15, at 1:30 pm. The topic is the Israeli poets discussion that was canceled in March. The discussion will be led by Marcia Elbrand. Please contact Peri Schuyler (301-869-2968, perislaptop@aol.com) for further information.

The Greater Hadassah Region will be holding a Steinberg Memorial Lecture on Sunday, May 7 from 10:30am to 12:30am at The Village at Rockville, 9701 Veirs Drive, Rockville. Yoav Gelber, a visiting professor in the History Department of American University, will be speaking on "The 50th Anniversary of the Reunification of Jerusalem." The event is sponsored by the Shir Shalom Chapter of Hadassah. The charge is \$10 for members or \$15 for non-members. Call the region office at 301-881-8203 for reservations.

Elaine Schenberg (301-598-0079) is sharing the Hadassah card project with Jan Bloom (301-593-7720). The prices of the cards are \$2.50 each or 5 for \$10. Hadassah greeting cards are displayed and sold at every Hadassah meeting. Please call

Elaine or Jan if you want to pick up cards or to have them mailed to the person you designate for an extra postal charge.

Larelda Gruber (301-598-5922) is chair of Youth Aliyah/Children at Risk. This project helps disadvantaged children in Israel. The goal is to create a circle of \$1000, made by individual contributions of \$40. Please send your donations to Larelda at 3200 N. Leisure World Blvd. #201, Silver Spring, MD 20906.

If you want to know more about Hadassah, contact one of our membership vice presidents, Carole Sonneborn (301-288-4902, Carole200@comcast.net) or Mimi Meltzer (301-806-0976, Mimi20852@aol.com).

## EXPO - May 18

JRLW and Coming of Age will hold our annual health and fitness EXPO on Thursday, May 18, from 10 am to 2 pm in Clubhouse I. Admission is free and there will be many free give-aways and some great raffle prizes.

More than 50 exhibitors will run preventive health screenings and interactive workshops, including Yoga, Zumba Gold, meditation to relieve stress and a study of hidden layers in art works. There will be free massages, a caricaturist, and you may consult with several social community organizations.

There will be a grand finale show at 3 pm in the Clubhouse II auditorium featuring the Seth Kibel Quintet with jazz, swing and klezmer music, and vocalist Jenny Langer. You must pre-register for this show at E&R with a payment of \$7.

## NA'AMAT NEWS

Gladys Blank

Na'Amat USA proudly celebrates the achievements of women around the world on International Woman's Day.

Na'Amat USA works to advance and strengthen the status of women in the family, work place and society. We partner with NA'Amat Israel to provide Women's Rights Centers, Women's Health Education, Women's Empowerment, Legal Counseling, Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment.

Here at home Na'Amat RBZ participated in GOOD DEEDS DAY on Sunday, April 2nd, by manning a large table in the lobby of Clubhouse I to accept donations of food, cash and checks for those in need. Hosting the event were Gladys Blank, Harriet Chaiken and Theda Rosenblum.

Another important date for RBZ was April 5th for our annual Spiritual Adoption Luncheon held in the ballroom of Clubhouse I. The plated lunch was delicious. Our guest speaker was Leslie Milk who entertained us with her "Confessions of Becoming a Grandmother." Leslie is the lifestyle editor of the Washingtonian, a monthly magazine covering the nation's capital. She has written about subjects ranging from caring for aging parents to Washington's most powerful women.

Na'Amat is sponsoring JRLW Shabbat Services at the Interfaith Chapter on Friday, May 5. Na'Amat members will be there to greet you and provide refreshments for the Oneg Shabat.

We are all looking forward to our Donor Luncheon scheduled for May 18. The luncheon will be held at the Norbeck Country Club. It will feature installation of new officers for the coming year, presentation to our Woman of the Year, entertainment, a delicious lunch and a huge array of door prizes. Flyers will be coming your way in the very near future.

On May 21, our chapter will be hosting the Jewish Residents of Leisure World's Sunday Brunch. We have asked Council Member George Levanthal to be the guest speaker for the occasion. Plan to attend for brunch and what is certain to be a very informative presentation by Mr. Levanthal.

Leisure World Na'Amat chapter (RBZ) meets the first Wednesday of the month beginning in September, presenting a variety of interesting programs and refreshments as well. Become a member of Na'Amat and help us continue to be a service organization well regarded world-wide.

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## JRLW BRUNCH

Evelyn Dickman

Our next JRLW Brunch, hosted by Na'Amat, will be held on Sunday, May 21, in Clubhouse I, at 10:00 am. As always, Evelyn Dickman has arranged a very interesting program.

Our speaker will be George Levanthal, a Montgomery County Council member. He is a democratic progressive force fighting to improve the county's quality of life. His constituents have reaped the benefits of such signature accomplishments as Montgomery Cares, Housing First, Bethesda Green and the Purple Line. Mr. Levanthal will speak on translating Jewish values into public policy.

Mail your check, made out to JRLW, for \$10.00 per person, to Shirley and Jerry Gordon, 15311 Beaverbrook Court, #3A, Silver Spring, MD 20906. Please try to get your check in early. If you pay at the door, the cost will be \$13.00. See you at the Brunch!





## **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 Joan Engelman in honor of her special birthday.

Kiddush donation by Joan Engelman in honor of the baby naming of her great granddaughter Mara Jade Martinovich.

### **TZEDAKAH**

Sharon Glickman in honor of the 93rd birthday of her father Morris Elbaum.

Sharon Glickman in honor of the birth of her grandson Asher Benjamin Glickman, the great grandson of Morris Elbaum.

Carole Jason saying Mazel Tov to Carol Fogel Copeland on the marriage of her grandson.

Bernice Cohen for being chosen Woman of the Year by JRLW.

Dorothy Lloyd in honor of her granddaughter Italia Lloyd.

Marion Bedell in honor of her third great grandson Daniel Bedell, born March 31, son of David and Elizabeth Bedell.

Carol and Phil Wendkos in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter Kayla Liss.

Shirley Rosenhaft and Ray Kurlander to Joy and Bob Stromberg in honor of the birth of their third great-grandchild, Jessa Dina Stromberg.

## **TORAH MAINTENANCE and PRAYER BOOK FUNDS**

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

### **PRAYER BOOK FUND**

For contributions to our Prayer Book Fund, send your check, made out to JRLW, to Janet Lazar, 15311 Beaverbrook Court, #1B, Silver Spring, MD 20906.



### **TORAH MAINTENANCE FUND**

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




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## **JRLW GOES TO THE NAVAL ACADEMY**

Back by popular demand! JRLW is going to the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis on July 21. We will be attending a Friday evening Shabbat Service with the midshipmen. The minimal fee is \$1.00 per person. JRLW is underwriting the cost for this wonderful evening. If you are interested, call Neil Ross, 240-560-6242, for details.



## RECIPE CORNER

### BLINTZ SOUFFLE

May means Shavuot. Shavuot means a dairy dish. This recipe for Blintz Souffle is easy and delicious. We printed this recipe several years ago. We have been asked to reprint it.

#### Ingredients

- 2 pkgs of frozen cheese or cherry blintzes – defrosted
- ¼ lb butter or margarine
- 4 eggs well beaten or an 8 oz package of Eggbeaters
- 1½ cup sour cream or light sour cream.
- pinch salt
- 1 tsp vanilla
- ¼ 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.)



## GOOD AND WELFARE

Congratulations to Myra and Merrill Stern. Their daughter, Hillary Stern, has recently published a book, "The Garment Maker's Daughter."

Unfortunately, Annette Cooper has had to undergo a third back surgery. We hope the third time will be a charm. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mazel Tov to Joy and Bob Stromberg on the birth of their third great-granddaughter, Jessa Dina Stromberg!

Get well wishes to David and Berdie Firestone, currently in rehab following hospitalization.

Mazel Tov to Barbara Small on the Bat Mitzvah of her granddaughter, Emma Hoebler, on April 29.

Buddy Budman is in rehab following five days in the hospital due to pneumonia. Buddy, we wish you a speedy recovery.

Once again JRLW held a successful Community Seder for Passover. Thanks to Milli White who chaired it. A special thanks to Fred Firnbacher who did a tremendous job leading the Seder. Toda Raba!

Mazel Tov to Audrey Frank on the engagement of her grandson, Matthew Frank, to Kennan Bradley.

We send get well wishes to George Kessler.

**THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE FOR YOU TO GET YOUR WONDERFUL, SMART GRANDCHILDREN'S NAMES IN OUR JUNE NEWSLETTER, "GRANDPARENTS QVELLING." DON'T FORGET THEM!**



## BROOKE GROVE OPEN HOUSE FOR NEW REHAB CENTER

Members of JRLW are invited to attend an open house Thursday, May 25, from 2:00 to 5:00 pm, celebrating the opening of the new Brooke Grove Rehabilitation and Nursing Center (BGRNC).

The facility is a new state-of-the-art addition to Brooke Grove. This wing will add 77,000 square feet to BGRNC's existing 83,000 square feet and will increase capacity to 190 beds, with 70 beds dedicated solely to rehabilitation. Equipment and technology upgrades will ultimately optimize the rehabilitation potential of those in BGRNC's care. The first phase of the project is slated to open in 2017.

The open house will include a tour of the Rehab Center and two-story therapy room.

The Rehab and Nursing Center is located at 18131 Slade School Road, Sandy Spring. If planning to attend, RSVP to Toni Davis by Tuesday, May 23 at [tdavis@bgf.org](mailto:tdavis@bgf.org) or call 301-388-7200.

## WE REMEMBER

Boris Shekhtman.

Jay Dobbs.

Emanuel (Manny) Horowitz.

Judith Weinstein.

Adele C. Schwartz.

Herbert Block.

**MAY THEIR MEMORY BE AS A BLESSING.**

## PREPLANNING FOR THE FUTURE: JUDEAN GARDENS AND DIGNITY/HINES-RINALDI

Fred Shapiro

JRLW has working agreements with both the Judean Gardens and Dignity/Hines-Rinaldi funeral home for considerable savings when the unavoidable end occurs. What our members and their families must know is that both are preplanned agreements. They are not there if death has already occurred and the family is looking for relief.

Judean Gardens has issued its new program for JRLW and the latest information reveals that total savings, including the burial costs and bronze markers, can amount to \$1,217.00 per person. JRLW Discount Vouchers must be presented to confirm that the purchaser is a member of JRLW. Questions about the voucher forms can be answered by Fred Shapiro, fshapiro@comcast.net, at the present time. To make things easy, the signed forms can be obtained by checking the JRLW mail slot in the E&R office in Clubhouse I. For information about the funeral and financial arrangements with Hines-Rinaldi (Dignity), it is best to contact Jamie Arthur at Dignity to get the latest information about the engagement of funeral director services when needed. Jamie can be reached at 202-966-6400 or his cell phone 240-463-6884. The savings here can be considerable.

Preplanning not only provides for the arrangements for the future needs, but it is a way of making sure that your children are not placed under any unnecessary pressures and expenses when the time comes.

## WE GET LETTERS!

I found the Newsletter interesting with good information and pleased that Leisure World has a very vibrant Jewish community. I did want to make a comment on Ralph Shapiro's otherwise fine article, "About Our History." He mentions that Aaron died in the desert on the way to **Palestine**. I am not aware of the Promised Land ever being referred to as Palestine during Aaron's lifetime. The first mentioning of Palestine is after the Bar Kochba revolt in 135-138 CE, (nearly 1500 years later) when the Romans decided as punishment to the Jews to rename Judea and the outlying territory as *Palestina*, a derivative name of the Philistines, Israel's biblical mortal enemy. I agree with Mr. Shapiro that Aaron died in the desert, but they were heading to the Canaanite kingdoms that God promised Abraham, Isaac and Jacob would be our Promised Land.

In light of many political controversies, including attempts to delegitimize Israel's historical claims of settling in Israel prior to Arab settlement and Palestinians rewriting their own history, I am sensitive to any misstatements such as mentioned above. I hope in the future that more historical information will be shared by Mr. Shapiro but reviewed with more sensitivity.

Bernie Zycherman  
3210 N Leisure World Blvd  
Apt. #1005



## THOSE WERE THE DAYS

Anonymous

My mom used to cut chicken, chop eggs and peel onions on the same cutting board with the same knife and no bleach or antibacterial wipes, but we didn't seem to get food poisoning.

Our school sandwiches were wrapped in wax paper or in a baggie with a twist tie, in a brown paper bag, not in ice pack coolers, but I can't remember getting e.Coli.

Almost all of us would rather have gone swimming in the lake or at the beach instead of a pristine pool (talk about boring); no beach closures then.

We all took gym class... and risked permanent injury with a pair of regular old tennis shoes, if we were lucky, from a department store, but likely hand-me-downs instead of having cross-training athletic shoes with air cushion soles and built in light reflectors that cost as much as a small car. I can't recall any injuries but they must have happened because they tell us how much safer we are now.

We got a spanking for doing something wrong. Parents called it discipline. And we all grew up to accept the rules and to honor and respect our parents, grandparents, teachers, police officers, and all of those older than us.

We had 50 kids or so in our class and we all learned to read, write, do math and spell almost all the words needed to write a grammatically correct letter. Even in cursive!

We all said prayers in school, irrespective of our religion, and sang our national anthem and no one got upset. We stayed in detention after school. We caught all sorts of negative attention we wish we hadn't got. It was shameful and detention was nothing compared to what was waiting at home.

I just can't recall ever being bored, even though we were without computers, Play Station, Nintendo, X-box, laptops, cell phones or 270 digital TV cable stations.

We went outside and played with the neighbor kids of all ages, made up games, and rode our bikes for miles. Oh yeah, and where were the antibiotics and medical kit when I scraped something or got that bee sting? I could have been killed! We played "King of the Hill" on piles of gravel left on vacant building sites and when we got hurt, mom pulled out the bottle of iodine or red Mercurchrome and then we got our backside spanked. Now it's a trip to the emergency room, followed by a 10-day dose of antibiotics.

To top it off, not a single person I knew had ever been told that they were from a dysfunctional family. How could we possibly have known that? We never needed to get into group therapy and/or anger management classes.

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	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> JRLW Bd. Mtg. CH II 7:00 pm	<b>3</b> JWV Mtg. CH I 10 am	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> JRLW Cons. Shabbat Svc Interfaith Chapel 7:30 pm Sponsored by Na'Amat 7:47	<b>6</b> Study w/Rabbi Samber CH II 9:15 am
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Nationals Baseball Ball Game	<b>12</b> 7:54	<b>13</b> JRLW Women's Shabbat Svc CH II 9:15 am
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Hadassah Study Group CH I 1:30pm	<b>16</b> Na'Amat Bd Mtg CH I 10:30 am	<b>17</b> Hadassah Bd Mtg CH I 7:30 pm	<b>18</b> Na'Amat Donor Lunch <b>EXPO</b>	<b>19</b> 8:00	<b>20</b> Study w/Rabbi Samber CH II 9:15 am
<b>21</b> JRLW Brunch CH I 10:00 am Hosted by Na'Amat	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Hadassah program CH II 7:30 pm	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 8:06	<b>27</b> Study w/Rabbi Samber CH II 9:15 am
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Erev Shavuot	<b>31</b> Shavuot			

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