



Hakol

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PELHAM JEWISH CENTER
February 2018
5778 Shevat / Adar



Upcoming PJC Activities & Events

February

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10:30am
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- 28** -- *Megillah*
Reading/7pm

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10:30am
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Rabbi Salzberg's Message

We all know that Rosh Hashanah is the beginning of the Jewish calendar year. But as I write this - on Tu Bishvat, "the New Year for the Trees" - I am reminded that there are several "new years" in our calendar. In

addition to these two, there is the first of Elul - a new year for tithing animals - and the first of Nisan - a new year for kings and holidays.

It is this final new year that draws my attention. According to the Torah, this is the most important marker in the year. It is the subject of the first command that God gives to the Israelites. In Exodus 12:2, God says, "This month shall mark for you the beginning of the months; it shall be the first of the months of the year for you." Commentators often view this moment as the beginning of the Jewish people; at the point that we have a calendar of our own, we are freed from the worldview of the Egyptians and separate from the society around us.





This perspective, that the year begins with the first of Nisan, is carried through the rest of the Torah. Each time that the Torah lists the holidays of the year, it begins with Passover, which we observe in Nisan. This means that Purim - the holiday before Passover - is the last holiday of our liturgical year. Purim is a minor holiday, commemorating an event that happened centuries after the events recorded in the Torah. It appears an anticlimactic culmination to a year of holidays.

In seeking to interpret a verse from the moment of Revelation at Sinai, the rabbis of the Talmud have the following conversation that helps me to

appreciate the beauty of this aspect of our calendar:

And they stood underneath* the mountain (Exodus 19:17) Rabbi Avdimi the son of Chama the son of Chasa said, "This teaches that the Holy One, Blessed be He, held the mountain over them like a barrel and said, 'If you accept the Torah, it is good. And if not, here shall be your graves.'" Rav Acha Bar Yaakov said, "From here there is a great claim against the Torah!" Raba said, "Even so, they accepted it again [willingly] in the days of Ahasuerus, as it is written, **'They upheld and accepted'** (Esther 9:27)- they upheld what they already accepted."

The rabbis here were recognizing a potential problem with the very foundation of our faith. Judaism needs to be something that is willingly accepted because it enriches our lives, not a choice we make under duress, out of fear for our lives. Each of the major holiday in the Torah's calendar has this problem. Passover marks the Exodus from Egypt, but choosing between God and Pharaoh is hardly a choice. Similarly, Sukkot is the holiday that marks the wandering in the desert- hardly an opportune moment to abandon God. And Shavuot is the commemoration of Revelation, which they discuss in the midrash. Do we ever freely enter into the covenant?

Purim is an opportunity to do that. The story of Esther ends with the Jews free and safe in Persia. A Jewish woman is queen, a Jewish man is the lead advisor to the king. The Jews are safe, secure, and prosperous. Choosing, at that moment, to affirm our status and our commitment is an act of free will. Esther, Mordechai and the rest of the Jews could have chosen to assimilate completely. Instead they affirmed their identity, and even created a new holiday to emphasize their pride and dedication.

The year begins with our national infancy. God leads the Jewish people by the hand, instructing us in what we need to do. At that stage we have little power over our lives, and even less choice. The year ends with our national bar/bat mitzvah. We become adult Jews, choosing of our own free will to add our link to the chain of our tradition. Purim is the story of Jews standing up for themselves, proud of who they are, and ready to defend their right to exist. It is a perfect capstone to a year of holidays.

We will celebrate Purim together on the evening of Wednesday, February 28th at 7pm. We will read the *Megillah*, punctuated by our traditional Purim *spiel*, and enjoy food and drink together. I look forward to seeing you there!

Rabbi Alex Salzberg

*The word translated here as "underneath" is בתחתית, and is more commonly and accurately understood to mean "at the foot of" - but that doesn't lead us to this beautiful midrash!

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7pm

10 -- Open Book 1/
10:30am

10 -- Spring Gala/
6pm

13-- Soup Kitchen/
4:30pm

15 -- *Making Shabbos:*
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"There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle."
Albert Einstein

When we celebrate a Bar/Bat Mitzvah at the PJC, as a child is called to the Torah, I think about each family's journey. My eyes fill with tears; I see a miracle in front of my eyes. Another young teen is performing this ancient ritual here, at the PJC. *She'echeyanu*, Blessed be G-d for keeping us alive until this moment.

As a community, we rejoice as teen takes a stand and commits to Judaism. We feel hopeful for the future of the Jewish people. For some, however, these celebrations may be an unknown in our Shabbat routine. As we learn more about the families, we can understand why each celebration is a small miracle. And maybe this could bring a tear to your eye, too...





Here is a snapshot of the B'nei Mitzvah class of 2017-2018. Maybe these fun facts can be conversation starters when you meet these families in services!

Kolby Hopper - Bar Mitzvah Date: 11/11/17

Parents: Jacqueline & Patrick Hopper. Many pet owners know Jackie as their vet. The Hopper family has been members of the PJC since 2007, when Kolby was 2 years old. We are used to see Kolby in our Yom Hasho'ah commemorations since his great grandfather fought in WWII and Kolby is very proud of this fact. Kolby loves cars and his Hebrew name is Refa'el, the angel of healing.

Adina Sasson - Bat Mitzvah Date: 12/23/2017

The Sasson family, Gabrielle, David, Adina and Ben, have been members at the PJC for 8 years. Gabrielle & David are both from North Carolina. David's father, Jack Sasson, came to the US from Aleppo, Syria, at the age of 15. He became a professor of Assyriology and Biblical Studies at UNC and Vanderbilt. David's mom's family came to NC in the 1700's and was one of the first families to settle the Appalachian mountains. David's mother wrote two books on 19th century American women's spirituality. Gabrielle's grandfather, Jerry Fleishman, was an NBA player for Philadelphia and the Knicks, and won the 1947 NBA championship for Philadelphia!

Annabelle and Elisabeth Zusin - Bat Mitzvah Date: 1/20/2018

Annie and Ellie are twins. Their brother, Aidan celebrated his Bar Mitzvah last year, being the first of their family to have one in many generations. Aidan is a *madrich* in the Nitzanim class, and one of the first teens to join BBYO in Pelham! Their parents, Yelena Dymant and Oleg Zusin, grew up in Minsk, Belarus and moved to the US in 1989 when Yelena was 10 and Oleg was 19. Yelena is an architect and Oleg is a dentist. The family lived in California for a while and joined the PJC in 2015.

Julia Meyerson - Bat Mitzvah Date: 5/12/2018

Emily Glickman and Howard Meyerson have been members of the PJC for 15 years. Both their great grandparents came from Eastern Europe, and they too grew up in Brooklyn! When they met, they found out they both had the exact same family Hanukkah menorah! Howard went to Jewish Day school, and learned to read Torah later on. Julia has an older sister, Hallie. We all enjoy Howard's Torah *layning* on Shabbat morning, and are looking forward to seeing the whole *mishpachah* on Julia's Bat Mitzvah!

Larisa Breskin-Bat Mitzvah Date: 6/9/2018

Greg, Theresa, Nick, Noah and Larisa Breskin joined the PJC in 2009. They are sports-fanatics: All their children play chess, soccer and baseball. Larisa is wants to tutor chess as her *Gemilut Hasadim* project. Her older brother, Nick, tutored chess to underprivileged children in the Bronx and last year, he was surprised to see one of the children he taught competing at the National Chess Championship!

Rebecca Ploski - Bat Mitzvah Date: 10/13/2018

We remember baby Becca coming with David & Liz to Shabbat services, and are looking forward to seeing her Bat-Mitzvah. David went to the Reform Temple in Mamaroneck as a child. Becca says, "Dad was the only kid in Shul who didn't have a Bar Mitzvah party. He was a contrarian!" David has a degree in History from NYU. Liz was born and raised in Buffalo, NY by a Greek Orthodox father from Albania and a Polish mother. She has a degree from Cornell and has been working in publishing for 34 years. They met in a blind date set up by a friend at City Opera. Raising Jewish children was very important for them, so they joined the PJC in 2001, when Liz converted to Judaism before Becca's

children was very important for them, so they joined the PJC in 2001, when Liz converted to Judaism, before Becca's birth.

Michael Korvyakov - Bar Mitzvah date: 7/1/2019 in Israel

Michael's parents, Lena Podolsky and Dimitri Korvyakov immigrated from Russia to the US in 1996 with help of the Jewish Organization HIAS. When they came to the US, they felt that all of a sudden, they stopped being Jewish, because they did not know Hebrew, traditions, or religion. In Russia, they knew they were Jewish every day, as they were reminded of it. In their Soviet passports, in the fifth line for Nationality, it stated "Jew". In 2013, Michael came home and asked if the family was Jewish. And if they were Jewish, why did he not go to Hebrew School just like the others. He insisted on going, and they finally agreed. In his first year of Hebrew School at Beth El Synagogue Michael received an award for having "Hebrew Studies in his *kishkes*". Though by Jewish tradition, he will become a man only on July 1, 2019, he has been a mensch since the beginning.

These are little dots in the much larger "connect-the-dots" picture of Jewish history, told through the lives of each one of us. If we look at all the twists and turns of our personal lives, we can point to moments transcending logic and explanation. Small miracles, little coincidences that sum up to where we are right now. These should not be taken lightly.

Wishing each and every one of us the blessings of life and many happy miracles,

Ana Turkienicz
PJC-LC Education Director

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Letter from President Darren Lee

I had planned on writing something quite different this month, but the loss of Claudia's mum, Marilyn, caused me to shift my thinking.

I have always struggled with the meaning of a shiva visit - how can I possibly comfort someone at such a terrible time, surely the last thing needed is a house full of people. Rabbi Salzberg emphasized during the shiva that it is not the place of the mourner to say thank you, moreover it the shiva visitor who is carrying out his/her obligation and personal mitzvah. It never felt to me like a mitzvah. Could a visit to someone I don't really know make a difference?

Of course, you know the answer: last week when our home was filled with our community, young and older, people we knew well and not so well, the support and love was truly overwhelming. Watching our PJC Hebrew high school students chat with Izak about his grandma reinforced what an amazing and sensitive community we have.

Claudia, who is far more eloquent than me, wanted to add:

"During the maelstrom of loss, your small acts of kindness, kept me upright. Do not underestimate the impact of your face at the funeral, the ziti, quiche, chicken, cakes, chocolate, bagels you lugged to the shiva, your texts, calls and cards that felt like gentle kisses and warm hugs, the sparkle of interest in your questions about my mother's life and my wellbeing. All of your offerings were like stepping stones across a stormy sea.

My mother used to say that when she thought about me she felt happy, knowing I had a wonderful family and community. And she was right. "

Thank you,
Darren Lee, PJC President

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Letter from the Religious Practices Committee

Have you noticed the recent change in the way we recite Kiddush at the PJC on Shabbat and Yom Tov morning? The change, and the reasons for the change, provide a glimpse into the ways in which the Religious Practices Committee tries to be responsive to changing needs regarding ritual observance at the PJC, and the application of Halacha to those changing needs.

For years we recited Kiddush in the area behind the sanctuary, and everyone was offered wine or grape juice to hold as the Kiddush was recited. But not everyone would make it to the back in time to hear Kiddush, prompting a member of our committee to suggest that we move Kiddush into the sanctuary to increase community participation, a practice we instituted this past Spring. Wine and grape juice were cheerfully distributed throughout the sanctuary, and everyone had a shot in the hand. The arrival this Fall of a new group of chairs, brought our heads with the

everyone had a shot in their hand. The arrival this Fall of our new sanctuary chairs, lovingly purchased with the proceeds of the Rossman High Holiday Appeal, raised the specter of spills and stains, prompting a halachic question: Is it halakhically necessary for everyone to hold a cup of wine in their hand to fulfill the mitzvah of Kiddush?

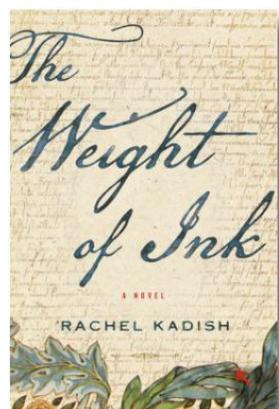
As it turns out, to answer one seemingly easy question the Religious Practices Committee needed to delve into the rabbinic teachings on three additional questions. 1. Can one recite Kiddush on behalf of someone else? 2. Who must drink? 3. How much must one drink? Led by Rabbi Salzberg, we learned that 1. Kiddush can be recited on behalf of another. 2. The person who is reciting Kiddush need not drink so long as at least one person who heard the Kiddush does. 3. The required amount to drink is "a cheekful," or approximately 1.5 ounces. Since the capacity of the shot cups we use is only one ounce, no one drinking from those cups can be considered to have drunk sufficiently to fulfill the mitzvah. In good Talmudic tradition, we concluded from our study of the texts that since it is halakhically acceptable for only one person who heard Kiddush to drink, and since we were not fulfilling the mitzvah with the volume of wine in our shot cups, and since even more wine and grape juice so perilously close to our chairs was out of the question, only the person reciting Kiddush will hold a cup of wine, and one person (probably the reciter) will drink the required amount to fulfill the mitzvah for all who heard the Kiddush. Our standard shot cups with wine and grape juice will be available in the Kiddush room for those who want to partake after Kiddush is recited.

This process of text study and deliberation in response to changing need is one that the Religious Practices Committee uses often in fulfilling its charge to enhance and enrich religious observance at the PJC. While there are some who miss our former Kiddush practice, the overwhelming response to the change has been positive. We can now recite Kiddush as a community united, bound together by the fulfillment of mitzvah.

Thank You,
Shelly Klein

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Author of "The Weight of Ink" Visits PJC Book Group



The PJC Book Club hosted Rachel Kadish, the author of the historical novel, "The Weight of Ink. Ms. Kadish grew up in New Rochelle. She is a close friend of Debbie Stampfer's daughter, Sharon. Debbie helped arrange this talk with the Book Club and sponsored the luncheon which followed as a 'thank you' to friends and family for helping her through a difficult period in her life. The sanctuary was crowded. The PJC Book Group never had such a large turnout - women and men from the PJC, Beth El and elsewhere.

Ms. Kadish engaged the audience with her description of how the book unfolded. She works from an idea, not a plot. Her characters find their own voices. The author noted she was amazed at how a 500 page book can still engage readership in the digital age.

From the beginning, Kadish knew she wanted to write about a strong intellectual woman in a historical setting, but didn't know what period she would write about. She took several history classes before she settled on the 17th century. During this time, the Sephardic Portuguese Jewish community fled the inquisition. This resonated with the author whose grandfather was a refugee from Poland during the Holocaust.

Kadish wondered how a free-spirited, intellectual woman could find an outlet for her curiosity in the 17th century - when only men wrote and few women had access to learning. A woman who wanted to write would have to do so under a male pseudonym, so it is impossible to know whether there were women who wrote.

Ms. Kadish also had in mind the martyrdom of the Jews of Masada who refused to live as slaves under Roman rule. In religious school she wasn't taught how it was known that the Jews killed one another, and she wondered how Josephus got his information. Research uncovered that two women and children hid from their families at Masada avoiding the slaughter. Kadish decided to explore what Jewish law says about martyrdom.

Ms. Kadish's response is the character Rabbi Ha Coen Mendes, who was blinded under the Inquisition and did not remember what he said to spare his life. From this inquiry, the character Ester, a 17th century scribe to the blind rabbi, was developed. As well as Helen, a non-Jewish, professor of Jewish history in the 20th century, haunted by the Masada story. How the lives of these two women living three centuries apart are intertwined is masterfully written. To make the tale more complex, Ester is interested in existential philosophy, which she reads in the rabbi's study by candle light. This is a subject Ms. Kadish had to wade through in her research until she could finally make head or tail of it.

Ms. Kadish read several moving excerpts from her book which revealed character development and her beautiful language. Her examples were well chosen and her explanations succinct.

After the talk, Ms. Kadish fielded questions. One of the most interesting was how this book will appeal to a non-Jewish audience. Jeanne Radvany said the book gave her more insight into Jewish thought. It helped her better understand the Judaism of her children.

When asked why she chose to write fiction instead of non-fiction, Ms. Kadish replied that fiction provides empathy for the "other". Without empathy, she said, it is harder to face facts which differ from your own narrative. Afterwards, Rachel signed copies of "The Weight of Ink" as well as sold all the copies provided.

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Making Shabbos - Cholent Cooking March 15th at 6pm



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The Pelham Jewish Center

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Torah Service

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Have you ever felt lost during Shabbat morning services?

Do you wish that you understood them better?

Come learn the intention of the prayers,

the meaning of the words, and the choreography of the service.

Saturday mornings at 10:30 in the Library

(During Junior Congregation)

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Mishloach Manot Fundraiser for Purim

The *Mishloach Manot* Fundraiser continues -- thank you to those who have already responded!

Please join for wine and packing hamentaschen bags at the PJC on Monday, February 26th, at 8pm or Tuesday, February 27th, after 1:30pm.

Sign up to sponsor a *Mishloach Manot* gift by February 21, 2018.

Purim: The First Jewish Gift-Giving Holiday

Join in the fun and send a *Mishloach Manot* basket to the whole "Megillah" (the entire PJC community), for \$180. Your

A little over a month from now, on February 28, we at the Pelham Jewish Center will be celebrating Purim. We will dress up in costumes, stomp and shake our groggers at the name of Haman as we hear the megillah read out loud and enjoy the story of how Queen Esther saved the Jews long ago. We will also continue the traditions of our original gift-giving Jewish holiday!

One of Purim's loveliest traditions is the sending of a small gift of food to family & friends. Each year, PJC volunteers create & deliver special gift bags to our members, staff, and college students filled with symbols of Purim -- sweets & hamantashen. Just as in all Jewish communities around the world, little baskets, plates, and bags are filled with at least two different types of food that are ready to eat, including delicious hamantashen, the triangle shaped cookies that are also called Ozne Haman- the ears of Haman. These gifts are left on doorsteps with notes and poems and handed out to friends and family.

Some families and synagogues have themes for their packages, choosing a new theme each year. An important part of the tradition is to send the gifts through a third person, usually a child. The word *mishloach* is related to the word for messenger, *shaliach*. An important part of the tradition is to send the gifts through a third person, usually a child. The word *mishloach* is related to the word for messenger, *shaliach*. My kids grew up handing out Purim bags to friends and at synagogue during the Megilla reading. But that was in sunny Florida! The first year we were members my kids and I drove in a snowstorm to knock on doors and give these Purim surprises to members in Pelham. They loved it, and we realized that we have PJC neighbors sprinkled all around us and even near our dog park in New Rochelle. Cool! It would be so great if each family delivered one bag to a PJC neighbor. It really is a great way to truly connect.

name and holiday greeting will be added to the card included with each gift. Everyone is encouraged to participate and donate at any level (multiples of 18 or "chai" are common) as we celebrate *Am Yisrael Chai*, that the people Israel still live on through all the challenges over these 1000's of years. This is a very important PJC fundraiser and even better, it's actually fun!

Easy Hamantashen Ingredients

1 1/2 eggs
1/2 cup granulated sugar
3/8 cup vegetable oil
1 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/4 cup orange juice
2 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 tablespoon baking powder
1/2 cup fruit preserves, any flavor

Directions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
Grease cookie sheets.

In a large bowl, beat the eggs and sugar until light and fluffy. Stir in the oil, vanilla and orange juice.

Combine the flour and baking powder. Stir into the batter to form a stiff dough. If dough is not stiff enough to roll out, stir in more flour.

On a lightly floured surface, roll dough out to 1/4 inch in thickness. Cut into circles using a cookie cutter or the rim of a drinking glass.

Place cookies 2 inches apart onto the prepared cookie sheets. Spoon about 2 teaspoons of preserves into the center of each one. Pinch the edges to form three corners.

Bake for 12 to 15 minutes in the preheated oven, or until lightly browned. Makes 24.

<http://www.cditchen.com/recipes/recipes/32/Easy-Hamantaschen129889.shtml>

Please contact [Marjut Herzog](#) with any questions about participating, helping to pick a theme and goodies, packing or delivering.

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2017 High Holiday Donors

You made it happen!

Together we raised \$120,579 for the PJC - surpassing our expectations!

Each gift to the High Holiday Fundraising Campaign has a direct impact on what we can accomplish as a community.

I am thankful for your enthusiastic participation as we plan for 2018.

With Gratitude,

Barbara Saunders-Adams

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Share a Simcha!

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"Share a Simcha" allows congregants to share their news with our PJC community. Please submit news about family members -- engagements, births, job updates, kid achievements, community acknowledgements and any other milestones to [Lisa Yelsey](#). This will continue to be a

regular *Hakol* feature, so keep your news and updates coming!

- Much *Mazel* to Liz Strader, and her children Evan & Lilly, in honor of their conversion!
- *Mazel Tov* to Yelena Dyment in honor of the *B'not Mitzvah* of her daughters Annabelle & Elizabeth on January 20th.

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Tributes & Donations



Donations to the PJC from ...

- Michael Asen & Joan Falk, in honor of Deborah Stampfer's birthday
- Spencer & Ronnie Barback
- Hal & Audrey Beerman, in memory of Claudia Lee's mother, Marilyn Braginsky
- Theodor & Vivian Brown, in memory of Claudia Lee's mother, Marilyn Braginsky
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- David & Jeanne Radvany, in memory of Claudia Lee's mother, Marilyn Braginsky

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- Alfred & Shelley Klein, in memory of Shelley's parent, Herbert & Esther Taub
- Barbara Saunders-Adams, in memory of her mother, Selma

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