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FROM THE RABBI'S DESK

Preparation Leads to Success
Rabbi Jay M. Stein

In 1995, just two years after I was ordained and started my first full-time job as a rabbi, I decided it was time to truly grow up and see an opera. In order to fully experience this great opportunity, I decided preparation was needed. I believed at the time that opera was like beer, an acquired taste. The opera was *Il Trovatore*, a “hot-blooded tale of love, jealousy, and retribution, Verdi-created music that truly bursts with excitement” wrote the Lyric Opera house at the time.

I went to the library and took out the libretto. Being the first opera I had ever truly encountered, I quickly realized the simple reading of the libretto would not be sufficient. Next I took out a series of cassette tapes that explained the varied themes and motifs of the music and how that amplified the drama. These instructional tapes taught me what to listen for in the music while the tale unfolded, how certain themes would be developed and how certain motifs would be revisited.

Then came the night of the performance. I dressed in my best suit and arrived early for what was going to be a long night. Determined to make the most of the experience I wanted to arrive in the right mindset, not hassled by traffic or parking, trying to minimize any frustration I might have felt. The evening went off without a hitch. My enjoyment of opera was born. However, you will never hear me listening to opera. I have only a few selected arias on my phone and the reason is pretty simple. I don't under-

stand the language in which most operas were written. For me the sounds, as beautiful as they are, only go so far without my understanding of what is being said.

That must be the case with many people who come to our regular and High Holy Day services. The melodies and the choreography can only take you so far. I imagine that is why many people stay for the sermon, not for the content, (although I work hard to make sure it is worthwhile) but because it is in English. It is also the reason the Mahzor, the High Holy Day prayer book we use is wildly popular. The English supplemental material is extraordinarily well curated.

The point is that simple preparation for the experience of the High Holy Days can lead to the birth of new found positive spiritual experiences, to which I offer three ways to begin to get ready. Our sages have always encouraged our people to get ready beginning with the month of Elul. The Hebrew month of Elul has just begun. The month of Elul traditionally serves as an intense preparation period leading up to the High Holy Days. The rabbis, understanding how hard it is to be successful at anything without proper preparation, remind us we have a month to get ready for days of awe.

Taken from the one of the most famous prayers of the Mahzor, I offer a path towards a better High Holy Days experience. In a part referred to as the Unitaneh Tokef, in which the number of ways in which we might die in the coming year are enumerated, the author proposes a way to survive. Through *Teshuva*, repentance, *Tzedakah*, acts of righteousness, and *Tefillah*, prayer we can avert the evil decree. So too, through *Teshuva*, *Tzedakah* and *Tefillah* can we get ready for the season of change.

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Keep GHC Safe and Secure During the Holidays

In an effort to keep YOU and YOUR family safe during the Holidays, we must implement the following which will be strictly enforced:

Security Protocols and Procedures -Tickets will be required for entrance to GHC during the holidays -Do not forget to bring your ticket and identification! -This includes entrance to Young Family Services.

Tickets for these services can be obtained by calling the office:

693-4260

-All guests MUST have a ticket and may be asked for identification.

Please be sure to purchase guest tickets in advance.

-If you are unable to walk from the surrounding streets and cannot be dropped off in the front of the building, you MUST preregister to be permitted to park in the parking lot -E-mail your Name, Cell phone number, Car make and model, and License Plate number to:

security@G-H-C.org or call the office: 693-4260

THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.

-If you see something, say something Please alert a security guard or usher if you see anything that seems unusual or out of the ordinary. Be alert! Report suspicious vehicles or activity to one of the security guards or ushers immediately.

FROM THE RABBI'S DESK (cont'd)

Try and add each of these three to your next month. Here at GHC we will provide you an opportunity to do each of them.

1. Prayer – come to minyan. As you know we have struggled to make a minyan. Coming on a Monday or Thursday morning would mean a tremendous amount to our community and would get you in the mindset of prayer and meditation, skills necessary for our powerful services on the High Holy Days. Your ear will begin to develop an appreciation for the sounds of worship and shofar. Motifs and themes will be introduced that recur in the liturgy of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Come often. We need you.

2. Repentance – the act of looking inward and deciding to make a change. This is not merely an emotional act; it is an intellectual one as well. Come to a class and learn what our tradition says about this process. Every Shabbat in the month of Elul I will be teaching after services (around 1:00) a different aspect of *teshuvah*. Make it a point to be with us. Put it in your calendar and join us for what is likely to be a lively discussion.

3. Acts of righteousness - make it a point this month give back or to just give. One of the important programs of GHC is our Midnight Run project where we go into the Manhattan and give food to the homeless. You can come on a trip or just prepare food to be distributed. You can become involved in our shul stitchers project that knits and crochets blankets and other items that bring a little warmth to those who need it. You can volunteer to join our Caring Community group (see article by Shelia Greenwald in this edition of the Hamvaser). You can be part of the Green Team helping to create a more environmentally sustainable and friendly synagogue. Or you can bring us a new idea about social justice to initiate in our synagogue.

Often, before doing a mitzvah we find a prayer that asks for greater focus on the act so that our intentions are pure in its execution. That simple act of taking a moment before we do something can actually change how we feel about that activity. Before you launch into any or all of these suggestions say this phrase:

May my engagement with this mitzvah breathe life's spirit into me. May my body and soul be delivered from external impediments. May this act in which I now endeavor be considered before You as holy. I do this with an open mind and an open heart.

Jay M. Stein

Rabbi

הרב יוחנן מיכאל שטיין

CANTOR'S COLUMN

Tears may linger for a night, but joy comes in the morning.
- Psalm 30

This is one of my favorite Jewish texts, and it's chanted daily in our morning service. It's one I go to not just in the morning, but whenever I need a lift, reminding me that "this too shall pass." Of course in life there are some immutable problems that will never pass, unfortunately. But in this case the psalm speaks to our attitude about them--we can meet the situation with acceptance and perhaps gratitude for what we still do have. I have heard, or heard of, gratitude expressed by people one would never expect to have any. So the situation might not change but our inner state can. Joy might wait a few days (or months or years) to arrive; we might have to work to shift our perspective. But reciting this psalm regularly, in my experience, brings hope and a bit of healing distance.

Judaism is full of wise words, and one does not need to look far to find them. I spent some time this past summer with friends of my youth. Having them to talk with was comforting and rewarding. Friendship was praised and encouraged as far back as the Sayings of the Fathers (Pirkei Avot), one of the six books that make up the first biblical commentary, the Mishna, compiled in 200 CE. Pirkei Avot is traditionally recited and studied on Shabbat afternoon between Pesach and Shavuot, and it's full of words of wisdom. Avot 1:6 includes the words "acquire for yourself a friend." While in context this is meant for the purpose of studying together, by extension a friend is one through whom discussing a situation can lead to much needed comfort and perspective. It's a great piece of advice.

As you read these words, we'll be in the month of Elul, preparing ourselves for the Days of Awe, of reckoning, once again. If I have offended anyone in this community, I hope that you'll let me know so I can try to set it right. This is the month we search ourselves and ask our friends for forgiveness. It's good to be in a community which takes interpersonal relations seriously, and I am grateful to be with you all.

Cantor Janet Leuchter

Welcome Back Brunch
**Finding Truth and
Losing Everything -
a Journey out of Fundamentalism**
with Chavie Weisberger

Sunday, September 22 - 10:00 am

Chavie Weisberger grew up in a tight-knit Hasidic community. She was set up to be married at 18 years old, divorced at 25, and came out as queer at 30. She then spent 5 years fighting for, and ultimately winning, custody of her 3 children and finding her footing in secular society.

She now serves as the Director of Community Engagement at Footsteps where she supports others on the journey to find their truth.



This event is sponsored by Sisterhood GHC.

It is free and open to the community.

A light brunch will be served.

Please bring feminine hygiene products to be donated to a local women's shelter.

For more information and to RSVP visit the Event Page: www.g-h-c.org/welcomeback

Need childcare? Have questions? Email Robin at sisterhood@g-h-c.org



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome Back. I hope you all had a restful summer and are ready to enjoy the New Year and all GHC has to offer. The 5780-5781 (2019-2020) calendar is filled with activities, events, lectures, classes, Fun Days and so much more. Our Rabbi, Cantor, Religious School, ECC, PJLIBRARY, Empty Nesters, Adult Education and Cultural Affair Committee, Fundraising, Sisterhood and Men's Club have all planned exciting programs that educate, inspire and engage all of our congregants. Whether you are 2 or 92, GHC will have something for you. This year, we are thrilled to share the joy of eleven GHC families as their children become a B'nei Mitzvah.

GHC has something to crow about, the Security Committee under the leadership of Lori Sloane, has secured a \$100,00 Nonprofit Security Grant from the Federal Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Services. We are grateful to Lori and her committee for all of their hard work to bring this grant to GHC. Additionally, Yasher Koach to Amy Kessler, Director of Education and our Religious School students and teachers, who have been awarded the Solomon Schechter Artisan Award for "Our Mitzvah Mavens Initiative".

This year we are delighted to welcome Jeff Liss as Executive Vice President, Andrew Goldstein as Vice President of Religious Affairs, Andrew Weiss as Vice President of Management, Elyse Milun as Vice President of Membership, Traci Mondschein as Vice President of Youth and Nancy Silverman, GHC's Liaison to the Rivertowns Consortium to our Board of Trustees. In addition, I am happy to report that a number of congregants have stepped up to lead important GHC Committees. Lori Sloane is our Security Committee Chairperson, Shara Sheinberg is our new SATO Chairperson, as well as co-president, along with Karen Ecker Greenbarg of our Religious School PTA. Risa Kaufman is our Religious School Chairperson and Jed Ilany is our new Marketing Committee Chairperson. Enid Lotstein is taking over Campus Connections, Jo-Ann Lutzky the Midnight Run and Craig Mondschein is chairing our new Video Streaming Committee. Andy and Debbie Jagoda will chair the Lawyers Committee. Leslie Liss has agreed to Chair the ever-growing Kiddush Committee, which has 24 volunteers!!! She has also agreed to lead a monthly Michpocha Shabbat Experience for young children and their families. Ada Menaker joins Debbie Jagoda as a leader of our weekly Tot Shabbat Service that runs consecutively with Mishpocha Shabbat. I am sure I have unintentionally left someone out. I apologize in advance and will amend this list in our next issue.

GHC is on the move, our membership is growing, our schools are growing, our involvement is growing. At a time when synagogue engagement is stagnant, GHC is continues to be a vibrant, exciting place to be. Join us at services, in classes, at programs. Support our growth, you will be glad you did.

Michael and I along with our children and grandchildren, wish

you a Shanah Tovah, a happy, healthy and prosperous New year.

Naomi
Naomi Feinkind
President

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

L'Shana Tova from the Office

September is always such a joyous and busy time at GHC. It is wonderful welcoming everyone back from their summer vacations, welcoming new families to our community and new students to our Religious School and Early Childhood Center, and welcoming new teachers.

The members of the office staff have been working with GHC's dedicated professionals and volunteers to provide the administrative support for all of this. By now, you should have received your High Holiday mailing and returned numerous forms to the office. You may also have received your High Holiday tickets or be making plans to pick them up soon. The entire High Holiday mailing, the High Holiday tickets, and Hamvaser are all printed in-house at GHC, as is the Book of Remembrance. Our bookkeeping and accounting are also done entirely in-house. Thank you to all of our professionals, officers, and committee members who participated in developing the content and providing input on the design and layout of our materials. The members of the office staff who worked so hard on the implementation of their vision, and who will continue to provide administrative support throughout the year, are Madaline Bruno, Director of Office Services, Jacquelyn Walker, Office Assistant, and Nalini Addanki, Bookkeeper.

If there is any assistance you need from the GHC office, just please let us know. You are welcome to stop by, call, or email. The GHC office is generally open Monday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (6:15 p.m. when Religious School is in session); Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. If we need to change our hours for some reason, we'll ask GHC's webmaster Suzanne Newman to post a banner listing the adjusted hours on the GHC website and also update the recording on our phone system (914-693-4260). Madaline's email address is madaline@g-h-c.org, Jacqui's is jww@g-h-c.org and Nalini's is bookkeeper@g-h-c.org. You can call me at home or work at any time, or email me at execsecy@g-h-c.org. We're happy to help in any way we can.

Wishing you all a sweet, healthy and happy New Year.

Debbie Jagoda, Executive Secretary



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July 31, 2019

To the Greenburgh Hebrew Center Congregation,

For some time now, GHC has been struggling to provide a daily morning minyan for our congregants. It is becoming increasingly difficult to gather ten people and this has left many feeling frustrated. Therefore, for the summer, beginning on August 1st, we will be providing a minyan on an "appointment only" basis. Anyone wanting a minyan can request one by calling the office at 693-4260 or contacting Dr. Andrew Goldstein at VPreligious@g-h-c.org, **three** days in advance of the requested day.

Our intention is, in the fall, beginning on September 3rd, in addition to regular Kabbalat Shabbat services on Friday evenings and Shabbat morning services to offer minyanim on Sunday, Monday and Thursday mornings. We will continue to offer requested minyanim on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. It is of course, always recommended that if you are observing a Yahrzeit and are coming to say Kaddish to contact the office or Andrew Goldstein, regardless of the day.

Kabbalat Shabbat services are on Friday evenings at 6:30 pm and Shabbat mornings at 9:30 am. Sunday morning services are at 8:30 am and will move to 9:30 am during the school year. Monday and Thursday services are at 6:45 am; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday morning services are at 7:00 am. These times are subject to change if there is a holiday or a Rosh Chodesh observance.

If you are willing to volunteer, when needed, to attend a morning minyan in support of those saying Kaddish, please contact Andrew Goldstein.

We hope you continue to have a wonderful and relaxing summer.

Respectfully yours,

Naomi R. Feinkind, President GHC

Andrew M. Goldstein, VP Religious Affairs GHC

Rabbi Jay M. Stein

A vibrant egalitarian Conservative Jewish community in Westchester County,
embracing our traditions while actively participating in our changing world.

GHC SCHOOLS – RELIGIOUS SCHOOL & ECC

Amy Kessler, LMSW, Director of Education

We are delighted to announce that GHC's Religious School has won the prestigious 2019 Solomon Schechter Award. This award is given by USCJ (United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism), an international organization. As described by USCJ, "The Solomon Schechter Awards recognize extraordinary congregation achievement in various aspects of kehilla (community) life. Given biennially at USCJ's convention, they shine a light on programs and initiatives that shape an authentic and dynamic Judaism." Almost 200 programs are submitted for consideration, and a panel of 15 judges carefully reviews the entries to select winners. GHC will present our initiative at this year's USCJ convention in Boston, MA in December.

GHC's Religious School won in the category of "Prophetic Voice" (Repairing the World). We are honored that our mitzvah project program, initiated two years ago, has been recognized for the impact it has on our GHC family, local area and wider community.

Each grade in our Religious School has a mitzvah (commandment from the Torah) that they learn about and implement throughout the school year. This begins on day one, Opening Day of Religious School, when every class is given a piece of a world puzzle, with their mitzvah written in Hebrew and in English. The idea from Pirkei Avot is, as Rabbi Tarfon taught, "It is not your responsibility to finish the work (of perfecting the world), but you are not free to desist from it either." Through this program our students see that their little hands can make a big difference!

Rabbi Stein goes into every classroom to speak about the mitzvah, where it is written in our Torah, and the importance of the Jewish value it supports. The mitzvot include respecting the aged, caring for the earth, welcoming the stranger, feeding the hungry, Torah study and learning, and taking care of animals. After brainstorming, the students come up with activities they will do throughout the year to realize their mitzvah. These projects have included visiting a nursing home, assisting with recycling at GHC, collecting tzedakah and shopping for a food pantry, bake sales to purchase goods for a local animal shelter, and welcoming guests to our Shabbat services.

One of the aspects of GHC's Religious School mitzvah program that was highlighted for our Solomon Schechter award was the far reaching impact that it has had on our GHC community. Teachers, students and their families, the clergy, and many congregants and committees at GHC have volunteered to make the mitzvah projects successful. Barney Wolff and his committee members have visited our classrooms to discuss changes the Green Team has made at GHC. Phil Karmel taught our students about tefillin bright and early on a Sunday morning. Robin Rosenberg and GHC's Sisterhood, as well as the clergy, welcomed our children as both ushers and presenters at Shabbat services. Parents have volunteered in every aspect of the program: from donating and gathering supplies

to decorating bags for the Midnight Run and shopping for items to donate to a food pantry. Families have manned the bake sale tables while students were in class (and donated the baked goods too). Parents have accompanied their children on trips to sort medical supplies and to a nursing home. Families have donated tzedakah and have supported their children's many big ideas of how to help make this earth a better place! The children have worked together, laughed together, problem-solved together, built stronger relationships, and internalized that they can have a tremendous positive impact on this world. As we know, children learn best through not just what is said, but what is also experienced!

Thank you to everyone in our GHC family who continues to encourage and empower our Religious School to grow and improve. Thank you to our amazing Religious School teachers, who took our pilot idea for a mitzvah program, were creative, ran with it, supported their students in realizing their visions for projects, to make this an award winning endeavor. Thank you to Rabbi Stein and Cantor Janet, who are so involved and so invested in GHC's schools. Last, but not least thank you to our GHC families, our GHC Religious School Board, and our GHC Religious School PTA. Without their ideas, suggestions, financial support, and jumping in and getting their hands dirty, none of this would be possible. And now... onward to the new 2019-2020 school year, and an expanded and even more impactful mitzvah project program!

YOUTH USY/KADIMA NEWS

The GHC Youth department has been hard at work all summer reinvigorating the USY and Kadima programs.

Activities planned for 2019-20 include:

- Challah Making
- USY/Kadima Chanukah Party
- Bowling
- Fondue Night
- Talit Making

All of these activities sound great but we need your 7th-12th graders to participate to make them AMAZING!!

If you were a USYer or a BBYOer or a NYFTYer you remember the great friendships and fun we had (way) back then.

Please encourage your kids to attend our youth activities. Any parents who want to volunteer on the Youth Committee please contact me at VPYouth@g-h-c.org.

If you kids have any questions to ask our USY Presidents please have them email GHCUSY1@gmail.com.

Thank you in advance
Traci Mondschein

Join the Greenburgh Hebrew Center's

TRIP TO ISRAEL

August 2020

Highlights:

- 🕒 Tree planting
- 🕒 Palmach Museum
- 🕒 Bullet Factory - Machon Ayalon
- 🕒 Kabbalt Shabbat at the Tel Aviv Port
- 🕒 Caesarea
- 🕒 Druze Village
- 🕒 Kfar Kedem Ancient Village
- 🕒 Rafting down the Jordan River
- 🕒 Meet a Kabbalist in the Mystical city of Tsfat
- 🕒 Explore the Golan Heights
- 🕒 Jeep Ride
- 🕒 Chocolate Workshop
- 🕒 Archaeological Dig
- 🕒 Scavenger Hunt in the Old City of Jerusalem
- 🕒 The Western Wall
- 🕒 Caliber 3 anti-terror training
- 🕒 Culinary Tour
- 🕒 Masada
- 🕒 Dead Sea
- 🕒 Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial Museum
- 🕒 Final Banquet Dinner

\$4,181
Per person, based on
double occupancy
with a minimum of 25
paying participants

Details:

- 🕒 Meet & Greet at Ben Gurion Airport upon arrival
- 🕒 Dan Hotel, Tel Aviv
- 🕒 Hagoshrim Hotel, Golan Heights
- 🕒 Inbal Hotel, Jerusalem
- 🕒 Full buffet breakfast every day at hotel
- 🕒 Porterage in all hotels
- 🕒 11 days with licensed English speaking tour-guide
- 🕒 Transportation in luxury bus for 9 days
- 🕒 6 Dinners, 5 Lunches
- 🕒 Bar and Bat Mitzvah Celebration at Robinson's Arch
- 🕒 Entrance fee into all sites per itinerary
- 🕒 Bottles water daily on the bus
- 🕒 Full backing Israel Maven support staff to ensure smooth running of the trip



For more information contact: Rabbi Jay Stein - rabbijaystein@gmail.com

ADULT EDUCATION/ CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Welcome to an event filled year of Adult Programming at GHC!

Rabbi Stein has powered up his **Power Start and Finish Strong** Shabbat discussions for 5780. They are timely, thought-provoking discussions in a roundtable format. If you've never attended one or both, I suggest you try them!

Join us Thursday evening, October 17 at 7:30 for **Sangria and Snacks in the Sukkah**. Bring your friends and mingle in the sukkah while deciding which sangria is your favorite. Please RSVP to VPadulthoodeducation@g-h-c.org.

"Shtisel", the Israeli drama about a Haredi family is binge-worthy TV. It won several Ophirs (Israeli Emmys) and is about to start its third season. Why are people on four continents streaming it? What makes it so enticing? How does a program about orthodox Jews have such universal appeal -- or does it? Rabbi Stein invites us to talk about the series in his three part dialogue, **The Shtisel Effect**, which will take place on Sunday mornings, November 10, November 17 and November 24 from 10:15 to 11:15.

We have arranged a private, docent guided tour of **Auschwitz: Not Long Ago. Not Far Away**. at the Museum of Jewish Heritage on Sunday, December 1 at 2:00. We're fortunate to have an opportunity to see this acclaimed exhibit as it tours the world. Tickets are limited. See the flyer for the reservation form.

Book Club will discuss "Threading My Prayer Rug: One Woman's Journey from Pakistani Muslim to American Muslim" by Sabeeha Rehman. Publishers' Weekly said she ".....lends a light heart and an open mind to the process of becoming a multicultural 'hybrid' ". This month's meeting is on Thursday, October 24 at 10. Subsequent meetings are on Tuesdays, November 26, December 24, January 28, February 25, March 24, April 28, May 27 and June 23.

It's time to reserve your tickets for "Porgy and Bess", the performance chosen for **GHC's Fifth Annual Night at the Opera** on Saturday, January 18. This new production of a Gershwin classic has received rave reviews. See the flyer for details.

Shul Stitchers will continue regular sessions at GHC on Thursdays October 17, November 21, December 19, January 16, February 20, March 19, April 23, May 21 and June 18. We're planning to build on the success of last year's program, **Shul Stitchers and Friends**, which we did in conjunction with teens at the Mann Center, a residential treatment Center

in Hawthorne. This program included going to the Mann Center to teach the teens how to knit and crochet and to incorporate their handiwork in the blankets we made for them. We had about eighteen GHC participants, ranging in age from 13-93, and about ten teen participants! We presented over thirty handmade blankets to the Mann residents. You had to be there to see their excitement in selecting the blanket of their choice. I'm sure all the volunteers will agree that the expressions on the teens' faces made all the hours we spent knitting and crocheting well worth it!

If you'd like to be a Shul Stitcher pack your needles and come on a Thursday. We'll discuss this year's format. You can work at home as well as in shul. (That's how we got so many blankets!) We can provide yarn or you can use/buy your own. We'll let you know when we have our schedule to work with the students at Mann.

In response to several members who have asked about a beginners conversational Hebrew class, we're hoping to have something in place for the spring. What better way to prepare for the GHC trip to Israel next summer! Please let us know if you're interested in a six session **Introduction to Conversational Hebrew**. We can consider a longer course if there is demand. Also let us know if you know anyone who is qualified and might want to teach the class.

Empty Nesters and Wanna Be's continue their Wednesday night dancing routine. (Maybe they'll have a recital this year!) They're also planning a December 24 event as well as several in the spring. Contact Rhonda and Howard Baskin at emptynesters@g-h-c.org if you have an idea for programming.

With so many options, we're sure you'll find something of interest.....we hope to see you soon!

Larry and I wish you a vey happy and healthy new year filled with camaraderie at GHC.

Lynne Ecker
VPadulthoodeducation@g-h-c.org



The Shabbox is here!



What is it?

The Shabbox is an easy way to celebrate Shabbat at home. It contains everything you need to welcome in Shabbat:

2 Challahs and a Challah cover

Wine and a Kiddush Cup

Candles and candlesticks

It also has an easy to follow guide and a book to enhance your experience.

How does it work?

- request a box for a weekend that works for you
- the box will be delivered to your home before Shabbat
- Enjoy! Invite friends and family to share it with you.
- Pack it back up: Return the challah cover, Kiddush cup, candle-sticks and guide to the box. The book, challah, and wine are yours to keep.
- We will arrange to pick it up at a convenient time for you.

Bring the warmth of GHC into your home

Reserve your Shabbox today. Contact Rabbi Stein
at 914-693-4260 or RabbiStein@g-h-c.org

CARING COMMUNITY

Dear Friends,

When Rabbi Kenter introduced the Caring Community in 2012, it was very exciting and I was happy to partner with him on a shared vision for GHC. For the past several years, I've had the pleasure to now partner with Rabbi Stein and our super dedicated and remarkable team. We are happy to continue together to provide assistance where and when needed for issues of bereavement, illness, and happily, new babies.

As a CC volunteer, you will receive an e-mail from me when a need arises and might respond to assist when possible. No worries, if not this time, there will be other opportunities to assist. Requests may include but are not limited to:

- attending a Shiva minyan
- delivering a soup and challah following a Shiva
- delivering a "get well" mug to a recuperating member
- delivering collected food to the Food Bank

If you are currently a Caring Community volunteer, we are all grateful for your service to our members. Our Caring Community works because of your availability and desire to help our fellow GHC members. However, our current list, in effect since 2012, needs to be updated to be fresh and productive. To this end, I am starting a brand-new volunteer list to replace the current list. If you wish to opt-in as a CC volunteer, kindly e-mail your name, phone number and preferred e-mail to: caring@g-h-c.org. All future "assistance needed" e-mails will go to this new list only. We understand if you can no longer volunteer. All volunteers should be local and able to help occasionally.

If you have been a CC volunteer, thank you!

If you can continue to be a CC volunteer, thank you!

If you plan to be a new volunteer, thank you!

My sincerest thanks to everyone. The Caring Community at GHC works because of you and your generous offers and desire to help. This is also the perfect time to acknowledge those of you who contribute regularly to the Hesed/Caring Community fund. It is because of you that we succeed in our mission to assist members when needed. On behalf of our team, please know how grateful we are to you all.

On behalf of Hal and myself, we wish you and yours a most wonderful, healthy and meaningful New Year.

Thank you for caring,
Sheila Greenwald

BNEI MITZVAH

Ella Finkelstein
Ki Teitzei

Ella Finkelstein is a 7th grader, and the middle of 3 sisters; she loves skiing with Hailey (age 15) and making forts with Clara (age 9).

Ella is a very passionate and creative girl, and when she sets her mind to do something, she does it all the way. She loves creating & designing everyday things to help with tasks around the house, building legos, playing minecraft, and reading or doing anything related to Harry Potter! She has also become quite the environmentalist, and has been making it a personal mission to do anything she can to save the environment... both by taking personal steps to reduce/reuse/recycle, and by teaching others to do the same (so nowadays, if you see her and her friends at the local Starbucks, they would all have brought their own reusable cups!).

Ella loves to help others in any way she can. She has enjoyed participating in Midnight Run to help feed the homeless, and takes great pride in putting together sandwich bags filled so meticulously, as if she were making them for friends. For her mitzvah project, Ella has been volunteering at Gigi's playhouse in Ardsley, part of an international network of Down Syndrome Achievement Centers created to provide free therapeutic and educational programs for individuals with Down syndrome and their families. Ella has been assisting in various groups including a fitness group for teens and a gross/fine motor group for younger children. She has also used her Spanish skills to help a few of the children and families who don't speak English.

One of Ella's favorite times of year is summer. She treasures the different traditions that have developed over the years such as tubing at her uncle's lake house in NJ, exploring the river on our yearly trip to Maine with her grandmother, and going to the beach with her cousins in Long Island. And who can forget about TY camp? Ella has adored her last 2 summers spent at Tranquillity Camp, and is already counting the days until she can go back next summer.

Robert, Ilana, Ella, Hailey and Clara invite the GHC community to share in their simcha at the Kiddush following services.

GHC NEWS

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Sunday morning, 9:30 a.m.

Mon. & Thurs. Morning, 6:45 a.m.

Tues., Wed. Fri. morning, 7:00 a.m.

Weekday Rosh Hodesh & Holiday Minyan,
6:30am

Candle Lighting Times

See calendar

Shabbat Services

Friday evening, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday Study Session 9:00 a.m.

Saturday morning service, 9:30 a.m.

Saturday Junior Congregation, 10:30 a.m.

CONDOLENCES

The Greenburgh Hebrew Center community expresses their deepest sympathy to:

Roberta and Bernie Horowitz— on the passing of their brother/brother-in-law Joel Stern

Kenneth Bass— on the passing of his beloved father Alvin Bass

Nettie Goldstein— on the passing of her beloved brother Seymour Ostrager

Dr. Jill Chafitz— on the passing of her beloved brother Howard Cohen

Isabel, Jeffrey, Glenn and Brad Kessler— on the passing of their beloved husband/father Stuart Kessler

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Richard Sternberg and Judy Calder—on the passing of their beloved mother/mother-in-law Shirley Sternberg

Zelda, Beth, Scott, Mark and Rachel—on the passing of their beloved husband/father Paul Neustadt

Beth Brivic—on the passing of her beloved father Herbert Bernstein

May their memory always be a blessing.

DO WE KNOW HOW TO REACH YOU?

Have you changed your email address, cell phone number, home phone number, or home address? If so, please let Madaline Bruno in the GHC office know so we can update our records.

Call us at (914) 693-4260

or email

office@g-h-c.org

Two Trees of Life

Our synagogue is proud to possess the two Atzei Chaim, our "Trees of Life". These original sculptures by the noted synagogue artist, Sanford Werfel, are on permanent display in the GHC lobby and atrium. The branches of the trees bear leaves which are inscribed to highlight and commemorate joyous events and "Precious Moments" such as special birthdays, weddings, births, anniversaries, bar and bat mitzvahs, graduations or simply to honor parents and friends. Share your happy occasions by inscribing your family's simchas on our Trees of Life. Please indicate the tree you wish us to place your leaf and personalize the leaf with your name, the event and wording of your choice: Leaf dedication costs are:

Leaf: \$180 each
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If you need more information please contact Steve Neuburger 914-693-6277 or Bruce Segall 914-693-6109 or Bruce-Segall@gmail.com or the GHC office..

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Date: June 13, 2019

To: Rabbi Jay Stein

From: Ed Plotkin



Re: Hamvaser News Letter

As I mentioned during our phone call yesterday, I am very proud and overwhelmed by my achieving an Honorary Doctor of Science from the City College of New York at this past May graduation ceremony. Now as a resident of Silver Spring, Maryland, I can truly appreciate my many years in Dobbs Ferry and my 50 years GHC membership. Personal success is often associated with the living environment. I assume I was in the correct location.

The college announcement of this degree is (edited):

Edward Plotkin is a distinguished alumnus of CCNY who has received a BE, MCE and MBA and is Professional Engineer in several states. He taught at Manhattan College, Mercy College and taught science courses at Sing Sing and Bedford Hill Correctional Facilities. Ed used his engineering talents to improve major infrastructure facilities in New York, Boston and Washington, DC.

Ed Plotkin served a Chairman of the Dobbs Ferry Planning Board for 50 years, and Westchester County Commissioner of Public Works. He has received many awards from multiple engineering organizations.

The City College of New York acknowledges his outstanding career in engineering and dedication to society and therefore, on behalf of the College confer upon Edward Plotkin the degree of Doctor of Science, *honoris causa*.

Rabbi, thank you for letting my Dobbs friends know of my great honor.

GREEN TEAM

Think Globally. Act.

Barney Wolff

“Think globally, act locally” is an old slogan, adopted by the environmental movement half a century ago. Easy to say, but what does it mean? You probably have a globe at home, and surely had one at school. Those globes are somewhat misleading, because they show just the surface of the earth, so in a sense are two dimensional. Our real planet of course includes the third dimension, height and depth. To really understand the state of the earth we need to think about the atmosphere, which if displayed on a globe would increase its diameter by perhaps 3%. Under our feet lie the aquifers that many of us depend on for drinking water and irrigation, and that in many places are being drawn down much faster than they can be replenished by rain. The oceans are warming, both on the surface and further down, reducing dissolved oxygen on which sea creatures depend and affecting ocean currents that may have grave implications for weather patterns.

As an old physics major I can’t resist pointing out that in relativity time is treated like a fourth dimension - just multiply by the speed of light to turn time into distance. True global thinking includes understanding what our planet was like decades, centuries, millennia and millions of years ago, and doing our best to predict what it will be like for future generations, depending on what we do today. As I write I happen to be reading *Underland* by Robert Macfarlane, which includes this: “At its best, a deep time awareness might help us see ourselves as part of a web of gift, inheritance and legacy stretching over millions of years past and millions of years to come, bringing us to consider what we are leaving behind for the epochs and beings that will follow us.”

Global thinking is all very well, but nature does not respond to our thoughts and intentions, only to our acts. A sentient and sensible species interested in its own survival would be responding as one with the sense of urgency and resolve that the situation demands. A sensible nation would in its own self interest be working on all fronts to avert catastrophe, and as a global leader inspiring others to similar efforts. The world is moving, but with less vigor than required. As for the USA, the federal government has failed to lead.

The situation is much better at the state and local levels. As this summer began New York State enacted a really aggressive plan to combat global warming, requiring power generation to be 85% renewable by 2030 and 100% by 2040¹. Transportation, housing and agriculture have targets too. California

reached an agreement with some of the big auto manufacturers to maintain aggressive gas mileage targets, which should have great influence nationally. Some of the red states are actually leaders in wind power, because despite political beliefs it makes economic sense. My village has a Green Policy Task Force, and I’d bet your local government has some equivalent. So does this mean that there’s nothing to worry about? Alas, no political victory is ever final, and we must be vigilant to ensure that momentum is not lost, or reversed.

At the most local level, what you do in your own life and household does matter. As just one of over 7 billion, each of us has only a tiny share of humanity’s total impact, but that’s no excuse to be a wastrel. As your parents or guardians surely told you, what if everybody acted that way? Because homo sapiens is a social species, each of us does have influence on those around us, and we should use it wisely. What we drive and how much, what we eat and what we waste, what we buy and what we throw out, how we heat and cool and light our houses, collectively, determine the fate of future generations. We can contribute to environmental organizations that are working to keep our planet a livable place for our species, and become politically active. Those of us who are in a position to influence the behavior of a corporation can have an outsize impact well beyond that of their own family.

Global warming really is an all-hands-on-deck emergency. Nobody can do everything but everybody can do something. Act.

From Jonas Salk: “Our greatest responsibility is to be good ancestors.”

From Hillel: “If not now, when?”

From Barney Wolff: “Better to blow out one candle than to curse the CO₂.”

¹ <https://cbcny.org/research/green-perspective>

SISTERHOOD

SISTERHOOD SPEAKS

I hope you all had an enjoyable and productive summer, and are looking forward to another amazing year of Sisterhood at GHC! We have a terrific year planned for everyone, with events that are thought provoking, fun and inspirational.

The fall season kicks off on Sunday, September 22 at 10 am with Chavie Weisberger as our special guest speaker. Chavie grew up in a tight-knit Hasidic community. She was set up to be married at 18 years old, divorced at 25, and came out as queer at 30. She then spent 5 years fighting for, and ultimately winning, custody of her 3 children and finding her footing in secular society. She now serves as the Director of Community Engagement at *Footsteps* where she supports others on the journey to find their truth. Chavie's story is heart wrenching and inspirational. I have enjoyed talking with her and I know you'll enjoy meeting her. Her story has been publicized in the NY Times and other media. Everyone is invited to enjoy a light brunch and hear the speaker. Thank you Allyn Salpeter for recommending we invite Chavie to GHC. We will be collecting feminine hygiene products to be donated to Hope's Door, a women's shelter in Westchester. Thank you Enid Lotstein for organizing this mitzvah project.

Next up is our paid-up Membership Brunch on Sunday, October 27 at 10 am. The speaker is Sabeeha Rehman. Sabeeha, author of "Threading My Prayer Rug", will speak about "Being Muslim in America". Again, thank you Allyn for recommending Sabeeha for this event. Sabeeha has spoken at other religious institutions and is active in interfaith work. Her book is supposed to be wonderful and I am looking forward to reading it very soon! "Threading My Prayer Rug" will be the GHC Book Group's topic of discussion on Thursday, October 24 at 10 am. You can buy the book at a significant discount by contacting me at: sisterhood@g-h-c.org. Or just let the GHC office know and we'll arrange for you to get it.

The High Holidays are almost here and **now** is the time to place your orders for round challahs and other delicious baked goods! Proceeds benefit GHC. You will find the list of goodies in this issue of Hamvaser. Please submit your order ASAP! Feel free to scan and email your order to me at sisterhood@g-h-c.org. Orders are due by Monday, September 16. You can pick up your order Friday, September 27 at GHC or if you can't get to the synagogue then, please stop by on Sunday, September 29 at 10 am.

Please remember to participate in the GHC Holiday Greetings Card! The order form is located in the High Holidays mailing. Thank you Nettie Goldstein for spearheading this GHC tradition. And thank you to all of you who participated in the Honey Sale which benefits both GHC and ORT, a non-profit global Jewish organization that promotes education and training in communities worldwide.

Thank you Meryl Kupersmith who took over from Bernice Strauss and will now be writing and sending cards on behalf of Sisterhood. Thank you Bernice for writing such sweet notes to congregants for many years.

Next time you are at GHC, you will notice that the tallism have been cleaned and ironed and there are even new tallism mixed in with the old. Some of the funds we raised last spring were used towards this project. Thank you Sherry Padva for ordering the tallism.

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GHC CAMPUS CONNECTION



Send a package of treats for the Jewish holidays to your student at his/her college or graduate school – **just \$50 per student!**

GHC Campus Connection is the college outreach program of Greenburgh Hebrew Center. The mission is to keep our students in touch with Jewish traditions while they are away at school. For a nominal fee, packages with snacks, treats, and little gifts will be sent to college and graduate students in dorms and apartments for Rosh Hashanah, Chanukah, Purim and Passover. We will also send the package overseas if you like - we just ask that you pay for the shipping. To enroll your child or grandchild, fill out the form below and return it with payment to GHC.

Through the generosity of GHC Sisterhood subsidies, we are able to keep the cost of the program low at \$50 per student. In addition, GHC subsidizes the packages.

Please include your student's e-mail, school name and school address (PO Box, if necessary). Please let Enid know if your child will be home for one or more holidays and the package can be picked up at GHC.

If you have any questions about this program, please contact Enid Lotstein at college@g-h-c.org or call GHC at 693-4260. You may subscribe on the GHC website and forward your check to the synagogue office, marked "GHC Campus Connection". This form and check must be received by **August 24th** to ensure package delivery for Rosh Hashanah. If your student will be abroad, you can pay for fewer packages or have the packages sent to him/her for an additional fee.

STUDENT: _____

COLLEGE/MAILING ADDRESS _____

STUDENT 'S EMAIL _____

PARENT'S NAME & PHONE
NUMBER _____

YEAR IN SCHOOL: _____ EXPECTED GRAD. DATE: _____



515 Broadway
Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522
914.693.4260
www.g-h-c.org



Join GHC
for a private, docent-led tour of
Auschwitz: Not Long Ago. Not Far Away
at the Museum of Jewish Heritage
36 Battery Place, NYC
Sunday, December 1, 2019
Tour begins promptly at 2:00 pm
Please arrive by 1:45 pm



Tickets are limited and **must** be purchased in advance.

TICKETS
Adults \$18
Seniors \$15
Teens/Veterans \$12
Carpooling is suggested

To reserve your tickets, please complete and return:

Name (s) _____

No. of tickets requested Adults_____, Seniors_____, Teens/Veterans_____

Email address _____

Cell Phone _____

Amount enclosed \$_____ Checks should be made payable to GHC and sent to the
GHC Office, attention Lynne Ecker.



Holiday Baked Goods Order Form

Order Deadline MONDAY SEPTEMBER 16. Pick Up Friday, September 27.

Orders not picked up September 27 will be left in the GHC meat kitchen & will be available for pick-up Sunday morning, September 29.

ALL ITEMS ARE PAREVE EXCEPT AS NOTED

	Price	Quantity	Total		Price	Quantity	Total
ROUND CHALLAH:				CAKE:			
Plain	\$7.50 ea.			Apricot Nut Cake	\$18.00 ea.		
Poppy	\$7.50 ea.			Raspberry Nut Cake	\$18.00 ea.		
Sesame	\$7.50 ea.			Fudge Nut Roll	\$19.00 ea.		
Raisin	\$8.00 ea.			Plain Honey Cake	\$12.50 ea.		
Challah Rolls (by dozen only)	\$11.50 dozen			Honey Cake w/Fruit	\$13.00 ea.		
				Lemon Roll	\$16.00 ea.		
SPONGE CAKE:				Apricot Roll	\$16.00 ea.		
Plain	\$6.00 ea.			Seven Layer Cake	\$20.00 ea.		
Marble	\$6.50 ea.			Double Seven Layer Cake	\$39.00 ea.		
				Lemon Meringue Pie	\$15.50 ea.		
BOBKAS:				Margarita Cake 7"	\$29.00 ea.		
Chocolate	\$14.00 ea.			Lemon Cake 7"	\$26.00 ea.		
Old Style Chocolate	\$17.00 ea.			Mocha Cake 7"	\$26.00 ea.		
Cinnamon Raisin	\$14.00 ea.			Fudge Cake 7"	\$26.00 ea.		
MISCELLANEOUS:				Chocolate Mousse 7"	\$32.50 ea.		
Lemon Ring	\$14.00 ea.			Raspberry Mousse 7"	\$32.50 ea.		
Taiglach	\$18.00 ea.			Brownie	\$4.00 ea.		
Sarah Bernhardt's (DAIRY)	\$28.00 lb.						
Rugalah (DAIRY)	\$21.00 lb.			GRAND TOTAL	\$		

**RETURN COMPLETED FORMS
WITH CHECK PAYABLE TO
SISTERHOOD GHC**

Greenburgh Hebrew Center
515 Broadway
Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522
ATTN: Sisterhood Bake Sale

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____



JOIN US

MEN'S CLUB

KICK OFF
BREAKFAST

SUNDAY September 8

RSVP- MENCLUB@G-H-C.ORG

HOWARD BASKIN & DAVID LUFTIG

CO-PRESIDENTS



FIFTH ANNUAL GHC NIGHT AT THE OPERA

PORGY AND BESS

Composer: George Gershwin

Lyrics: Ira Gershwin and DuBose Heyward

An American Opera

An American Cast



January 18, 2020 at 8PM

Metropolitan Opera House

Price: \$143 per ticket

Contact: Andrew Jagoda (andrew.jagoda@kattenlaw.com)



Ready for the best year of USY/Kadima yet?

Events scheduled for 2019-20 include:

September - Come make challah and a challah cover

October - Help put up the Sukkah

December – USY/Kadima Chanukah Party

December - USY/Kadima visits the Jewish Heritage museum

January – USY/Kadima goes bowling

February – Fondue Night

March – Volunteer at the Purim Carnival

March – Make your own Tallit

April - End of the year dinner at Ben's

For more information contact:

Traci Mondschein, VP Youth at VPYouth@g-h-c.org

or

Amanda Mondschein, USY Co-President at

GHCUSY1@gmail.com

Hamvaser – newsletter
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