



Congregation Sons of Israel

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DECEMBER 2019

3 Kislev - 3 Tevet 5780

Happy Chanukah!

MITZVAH TIME!

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*Chanukah begins at
sundown on
December 22nd*



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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

(adopted 1999, revised 2007):

Congregation Sons of Israel is an egalitarian, Conservative synagogue dedicated to imparting Jewish values and traditions from generation to generation in a welcoming participatory environment. We are a caring community committed to lifelong Jewish learning, the observance of *mitzvot*, meaningful prayer and charitable deeds. We promote spiritual, cultural and social connections within our community, to the State of Israel, and to Jews worldwide.

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THE JEWISH CHORALE OF WESTCHESTER: CHANUKAH JOY- A Concert of Holiday Favorites and Other Choral Delights

**Sunday, December 5th at 4pm,
 Temple Beth Abraham, 25 Leroy
 Avenue, Tarrytown. Tickets online
www.kolrinahchorale.org
 Adults \$22, Seniors & Students.**



**CSI GIFT SHOP AND MANY OTHER
 VENDORS WILL BE AT OUR 12/11 HOLIDAY
 BOUTIQUE. SEE PAGES 12 & 18**

CSI'S FALL BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, 12/8 from 9am - 1:30pm



URGENT NEED

for all blood types. #GiveNow

What is the current state of the blood supply?

- **New York's blood supply has never been lower.**
- In order to maintain a safe blood supply, a seven-day inventory of all blood types must be continually replenished. Right now, reserves are below that minimum.
- Nearly 2,000 donations are needed each day in New York and New Jersey alone.

New York Blood Center

Contact Jill Greenstein: jillgreenstein9@gmail.com

OR USE THIS LINK (we're sending it to you, too)

https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/265323

FROM THE RABBI

Steven C. Kane



The December dilemma. It's the problem the Jewish community has every December, when both *Hanukkah* and Christmas are celebrated. Of course, the dilemma is not how we celebrate *Hanukkah*. The dilemma is how do Jewish families "deal with" Christmas, especially when most, if not all of us have close relatives and certainly friends and neighbors who are Christians. That problem is all the more front and center in a year like this one, where the second light of *Hanukkah* is *erev* Christmas, and both holidays are being celebrated at the same time.

Christmas is an impossible holiday to ignore. Since the beginning of November we have been inundated with commercials on television and advertisements in print and on line about Christmas. Christmas is a traditional time for new movies to debut, many with the themes of Christmas, and if your cable/satellite system has the Hallmark channel (and whose doesn't) there are non-stop films and shows depicting the beauty and fun of Christmas. Stores have Christmas sales to encourage people to buy more and more presents, and our villages are decorated with Christmas themed decorations. Christmas music seems to always be in the air! Christmas day is even a national holiday when most places are closed and there is very little to do.

There is of course the traditional Jewish response about how to "celebrate" Christmas, by going to a movie and eating (kosher) Chinese food! Yet it seems to me there are other, more creative ways for the Jewish community to deal with and perhaps on a certain level even celebrate Christmas. We can do this without compromising on our own identity or values and we can respectfully and even joyfully participate in Christmas without compromising on who we are.

To begin with we should look for ways to volunteer at places that have Christian employees, so that as many people as possible might have the day off and enjoy the holiday with their family and friends. These include hospitals, nursing homes, and other places that must remain open on Christmas to serve the general public. We should make certain our Christian neighbors have what they need for the holiday. Perhaps you have elderly neighbors who aren't able to get out much? What a *mitzvah* it would be to ask them before the holiday if there is anything you can do for them-perhaps they need help procuring a small tree, or a wreath? Perhaps they would welcome a delicious Christmas meal-that you prepared! Perhaps they would just like some company during the day.

Many, but not all of you are aware that for years CSI has sponsored a Christmas dinner at the First Presbyterian Church in Ossining. We cook meals, serve them, pack them up and even deliver some to people's homes. While people are eating we sing, hand out presents to children and visit with our guests. The dinner begins at noon, but there is much preparation beforehand. I know they are always looking for more volunteers, and you can contact our chairs Robin Ginsberg and Jamie Cotel to see what they need. (see page 4) If you love both Christmas carols and the Christmas spirit but haven't found a proper way to express it, this is the most "kosher" way to participate in Christmas.

Finally of course the last piece of the December dilemma is family. There is no easy answer to such dynamics. As a rabbi I can certainly say that Christmas does not belong in a Jewish home. That however does not mean that it is wrong (indeed I would say just the opposite) to visit Christian relatives on Christmas, especially grandparents. While you may have chosen to bring up children in a Jewish home, something I truly admire when one parent is not Jewish, your relatives did not make that same choice for themselves. Grandparents deserve to have their grandchildren with them on their holidays, even when their grandchildren may not themselves be celebrating it. Such a visit actually may provide a forum for an interesting discussion (among both children and adults) as to why we celebrate different holidays than others in our family do. Respectful discussion can only lead to greater understanding.

One last item that I want to suggest you do on Christmas. Wherever you are, don't forget to light the *Hanukkah* candles! I guarantee they will bring more light into the world.

L'hitraot,

rabbi@csibriarcliff.org

Five Things with Rabbi Kane

Monday, December 2nd at 7:30pm
We will be discussing the hidden Jews of Belmonte, Portugal. How did an entire community remain hidden for 400 years?

Once again, CSI members will be
providing a hearty and festive
CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER
for those in need at
First Presbyterian Church in Ossining

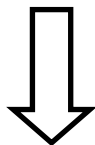


Your support makes it happen.
There are many ways you can participate!

- ◆ **Shop** for items we need (green beans, cranberry sauce, apple juice)
- ◆ **Cook** and bring a turkey, stuffing, or sweet potatoes to the church on Christmas Day.
- ◆ Help **set up**.
- ◆ Greet our guests and **serve dinner**. (age 13+ to serve)
- ◆ **Help clean up**.
- ◆ Going away? Too busy? No problem! You can always **shop** for items that we need in advance.
- ◆ **Monetary donations** are also always welcome. We use them to help make the event more joyous for our guests. Kindly make your check out to Robin Ginsberg and drop it off at CSI.

This is a wonderful family event and children are invited to join us - there is always a craft table set up for them! The day is always very special for our guests and a meaningful experience for our CSI families.

**IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE PROPER AMOUNT OF FOOD AND NUMBER
OF VOLUNTEERS, PLEASE BE SURE TO LET ONE OF US KNOW IN ADVANCE**



**SIGN UP GENIUS IS BEING SENT TO
EVERYONE IN THE CSI COMMUNITY**

**THANK
YOU
FOR
YOUR
SUPPORT**

QUESTIONS? Please contact **Robin Ginsberg** robsamg@optonline.net
914-941-1507, or **Jamie Cotel** jamiecotel23@aol.com 914-826-0692.

CANTORIAL NOTES

Hazzan Jeffrey Shiovitz



Seen any good miracles lately? *Chanukah* is based on miraculous events. We light the *Chanukiah* because of the familiar story of the small cruse of oil that we are told lasted eight days. Did it really happen that way?

The rabbis offered us this story to steer us away from remembering only the battle against Hellenistic imperialism and the guerilla warfare of the Maccabees. The rabbis wanted us to shift our attention from physical power to spiritual power. The meaning of our relationship to God is not that our belief gives us power over others. Instead, it gives us power over ourselves!

It is easy to understand the miraculous nature of a little bit of oil lasting eight days. It might be more difficult to imagine how the Jews had the imagination to light the *menorah* against the uncertainty of how long the oil might last. Maybe it's not difficult to appreciate the tangible miracle of divine assistance in the Maccabees' victory over Antiochus' army. It's perhaps more difficult to imagine where the Maccabees got the faith and courage to resist the might of the Greek Empire.

We know stories of Jews in Hitler's death camps who risked their lives to light simple candles during *Chanukah*, even though they had no expectation of living past a few more days. Why did parents in those desperate surroundings circumcise sons who were hardly destined to live? Was their hope and faith a miracle?

I believe it is no coincidence that we celebrate *Chanukah* right after reading in the *Torah* about the reconciliation of Esau and Jacob. Two brothers, at one time rivals and enemies, fall into each others' arms in tearful reconciliation. I believe there is no greater miracle than when anger and misunderstanding between two people turns into reconciliation and hope. Haven't we all experienced this in our own lives? And don't we wish this for those we love who live with such conflicts? Finally, if such reconciliation is possible between individuals, isn't that the model

for how nations will settle their conflicts, by discovering what unites them in common purpose and hope?

The *dreidle* reminds us: *nes gadol hayah sham*—a great miracle happened there. At this very dark season, we need to open our eyes and minds a little more to allow in the bright light of the miraculous. Though we are surrounded by cold, we can be warmed by the people around us who can do the impossible. Volunteers who visit the sick, moms and dads who drive their kids to 20 different places in a single day, Torah readers who learn the longest and hardest portion they have ever tried, those who volunteer at our Christmas dinner; you don't have to look very far to find wonderful miracles all around us! From my family to yours, *Chanukah Sameach*.

Jshiovitz@gmail.com

JEWISH MUSIC THROUGH THE AGES

The second program in this year's Jewish Music Through The Ages will take place on Saturday evening, December 14th at the home of Jewel & David Weiss. The topic for the evening will be the Jewish Music of Leonard Cohen, Woody Guthrie & Bob Dylan. Space is limited.

Please RSVP to Cantor Shiovitz at jshiovitz@gmail.com.



HaMishpacha Senior Luncheon & Program

**Join us on December 10th
At 12:30pm**



CSI Community Organic Farm

Regenerative Agriculture Rooted in Jewish Tradition

December is a perfect time to look back over our past season on the CSI Community Organic Farm. Our stats are impressive! More than 3,200 pounds of food were grown this season, with more than 600 pounds of produce donated within our community.

We created and delivered new member welcome baskets for the High Holidays. Cut flower and herb bouquets were delivered to restaurants along with their vegetable orders. And a cover crop was planted to improve soil biology.

In addition, CSI and our school are now part of the Daffodil Project. The Daffodil Project is an initiative of Am Yisrael Chai, a nonprofit Holocaust Education and Genocide Awareness Organization that aspires to build a worldwide Living Holocaust Memorial by planting 1.5 million Daffodils in memory of the children who perished in the Holocaust and in support for children suffering in humanitarian crises in the world today.

We're hoping the winter weather will be cooperative and give us the opportunity to work on several projects: installation of a small greenhouse for starting our own transplants; organizing the shed; tree pruning; and log splitting. Firewood should be available at CSI soon.



We'd like to thank Bill Davies of Westchester Tree Life for a constant supply (4 years of requests!) of wood chips for the Farm, excellent tree work in keeping the gorgeous stand of oaks healthy and safe, and finally for allowing us to borrow his log splitter for a couple of days so we can use the wood on the property in our fireplaces.

Special thanks also goes to The Neave Group which donated the equipment and labor to help David Levitt, the CSI Community Organic Farm manager, bury old and unusable siddurim and machzorim according to Jewish custom. More than 60 boxes of books were buried, and 7 or 8 tree stumps were removed (and then buried) as well.

We're looking for new ideas for 2020. What should we grow? Where should we sell our harvest? And are you interested in a beginner CSA (community supported agriculture) group? Feedback can go to Ryna Lustig at rynalustig@gmail.com.

See you on the Farm!

-- Dara Mirsky, with Ryna Lustig and David Levitt

FROM THE PRESIDENT Steven Bender



We need you! As we eagerly await the approach of Thanksgiving spent with our loved ones enjoying the holiday's multitude of delicious culinary treats, let us not forget those who are alone and homeless. As we recall those who are less fortunate, let us resolve to make an effort to make a difference in the lives of others in need. One way for us to channel that effort is by volunteering in CSI's homeless shelter program during the week of January 19th-25th, 2020. During this week, CSI, for the first time, will be joining the Emergency Shelter Partnership, offering CSI as a temporary home to a small group of homeless individuals. Food and shelter will be provided. Volunteers are needed for food preparation and chair and table setup for our visitors. Soon materials will be sent to all of you explaining the project and providing times for you to volunteer. Please look for the materials, read them, and volunteer! This is a wonderful opportunity for the CSI community to perform the *mitzvah* of caring for the stranger and to make a difference; an opportunity for families, for teenagers, for single members, for all to participate in *Tikkun Olam* – repairing the world.

President@csibriarcliff.org



WE ARE EXCITED TO SHARE A NEW PROJECT FOR THE CSI COMMUNITY!

Welcoming the stranger and helping those in need in our midst are core principles of Judaism.

In the tradition of these teachings, CSI is going to take part in
The Homeless Shelter Program,
a wonderful initiative of the Northern Westchester Interfaith Clergy Association.

Our community will join 15 other local faith-based organizations to provide shelter and warm meals for those in our neighborhood who are literally out in the cold. Each organization signs up to help for one week at a time (or more) over the course of the winter.

During the week of January 19th to the 26th, CSI will welcome 10-15 homeless adult guests who will be accompanied at all times by a trained supervisor. Transportation is provided for them. Our guests will bring their own sleeping mats and will be in the building from 9pm each evening until 7am each morning.

We've done the research:

There is no disruption to any services, classes or programs at CSI.

The building is left completely clean - there is no burden whatsoever on CSI staff.

There is never a time when our guests are unsupervised.

We provide a safe, warm sleeping space and meals...there is no downside!

- ♦ CSI volunteers will be asked to prepare kosher dinner, breakfast and/or bagged lunches at the synagogue.
- ♦ We are NOT expected to serve, so food prep can be done based on your schedule.
- ♦ Meals are simple, we'll provide some suggestions and will, of course, take some suggestions!
- ♦ We'll send out sign-up forms for each meal, giving everyone an opportunity to help.
- ♦ This is a project for people of ALL ages; families, teens, singles, young and old alike!

**thank
you
for your
support!**

Our participation in the program also includes financial support.

If you wish to help in this way, you can make a donation to the CSI Social Action Committee (Homeless Shelter Program in the memo) at your convenience.

Right now we're taking checks; we'll set up a link and will let everyone know.

Conversations with other participants make it crystal clear that the level of graciousness and gratitude among the homeless guests cannot be overstated. Help with this essential *mitzvah*!

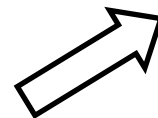
For more information: JillGreenstein9@gmail.com, AbbeBMarcus@gmail.com

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CHANUKAH

Chanukah commemorates the victory of the Jewish forces, led by Judah Maccabee, over the Syrian forces (often called Syrian-Greeks because they had come under the influence of Greek culture) led by Antiochus Epiphanes in the year 167 BCE. Antiochus had outlawed circumcision, *Shabbat* observance and other customs basic to Judaism. He then desecrated the Holy Temple in Jerusalem by placing the statue of a Greek god in the Holy of Holies, and conducting sacrifices of unclean animals.

After three years of fighting, the forces led by Judah recaptured the Temple on the 25th of *Kislev*. They found it in ruins. As they began to repair and rebuild it, crowds of Jews congregated to celebrate and bring proper sacrifices to God. One version of the story tells us that the Jews celebrated the rededication of the Temple for eight days since they had been denied access to the Temple for the eight days of *Sukkot*. Of course, we are all familiar with the legend in the Talmud that recounts one cruse of oil found with the seal of the *Cohen Gadol* (High Priest). It was sufficient for one day, but a great miracle happened and the oil burned for eight days.

KINDLING THE LIGHTS

This year the first *Chanukah* candle is lit on **Sunday, December 22nd**. One candle is lit on the first night, two the second night and so on, adding a candle each subsequent night. The "*Shamash*" candle is lit first and used to light the others. On the first night the candle is placed on the far right of the *menorah* (as it faces you). Each night a candle is added to the left and candles are lit left to right, so that the newest candle is always lit first, the second newest second, and so on.



People often use larger candles on Friday night because these candles must burn for a period of time after complete darkness sets in. *Matanah*, the gift shop at CSI, has a wonderful selection of candles, *menorahs* and gifts for *Chanukah* and all year. Please be sure to stop in on Sundays during Religious School hours or make an appointment by emailing giftshop@csibriarcliff.org.

On Friday night, December 15th, candles are lit before *Shabbat* candles, so as not to delay the performance of the *mitzvah*.

While kindling the lights, say the following blessings:

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם
אשר קדשנו במצותיו וצונו להדליק נר של הנפת

Baruch attah Adonai Eloheinu melek ha-olam, asher kid shanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu l'haldik ner shel Hanukkah.

Praised are You, *Adonai* our God, Ruler of the universe whose *mitzvot* add holiness to our life and who gave us the *mitzvah* to light the lights of *Chanukah*.

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם
שעשה נסים לאבותינו בימים ההם ובזמן הזה

Baruch attah Adonai, Eloheinu melek ha-olam she-asah nis-sim la-avoteinu by-yamim ha—heim u-va-z'man hazeh.

Praised are You, *Adonai* our God, Ruler of the universe who accomplished miracles for our ancestors in ancient days, and in our time.

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם
שהחיהנו וקיימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה

Baruch attah Adonai, Eloheinu melek ha-olam shehecheyanu vekiamanu vehigianu lazman hazeh.

Praised are You, Lord our God, King of the universe, for granting us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this day.

מעוז צור ישועתי לך נאה לשבח.
תכון בית תפילתי ושם תודה נזבח.
לעת תכך מטבח מצר המנבח.
אז אנמור בשיר מזמור חנכת המזבח.

After lighting the candles:

These lights we kindle to recall the wondrous triumphs and the miraculous victories wrought through Your holy *kohanim* for our ancestors in ancient days at this season. These lights are sacred through all the eight days of *Chanukah*. We may not put them to ordinary use, but are to look upon them and thus be reminded to thank You and praise You for the wondrous miracle of our deliverance.

Ma'oz tsur yeshu'ati lecha na'eh leshabeakh.

Tikon beit tefilati vesham todah nezaveakh.

Le'et tachin matbeakh mistar hamnabeakh,

'az 'egmore beshir mizmor khamuat hamizbeakh.

Rock of Ages, let our song praise Your saving power. You amid the raging throng were our sheltering tower. Furious they assailed us, but Your help availed us. And Your word broke their sword when our own strength failed us.

NEWS AND EVENTS from Roni Shapiro, Educational Director



Be a part of the Mitzvah

On **Tuesday, December 3**, our *Heh* class will be going to Ronald McDonald House to cook dinner for families that have a seriously ill child in Maria Fareri Children's Hospital.

Donations are needed!

If you can drop off at CSI any of the items listed below, please let Roni Know at RoniShapiro@csibriarcliff.org

- 2 containers anti-bacterial wipes
- 2 club size packages of salmon (such as from Costco, BJ's or Sam's club)
- 1 club size bag of tater tots
- 1 large bag of fish sticks
- 1 ketchup
- 1 Italian salad dressing
- 1 large tub of Nestle cookie dough
- 1 club size canned sweet corn
- 2 boxes of ziti pasta
- 4 large jars of pasta sauce
- 1 bag of baby carrots
- romaine lettuce (enough to make a salad for 25)
- 2 boxes of cherry tomatoes
- 4 long English cucumbers
- 1 bag of green grapes
- 1 bag of red grapes
- Any treats that you want to donate to their food pantry

Would you like to learn more about the *Shabbat* morning service or study Torah?

Join Roni for
**adult shabbat
coffee & limud**
Limud means learning!

December 7th
10:30AM - 12:00PM



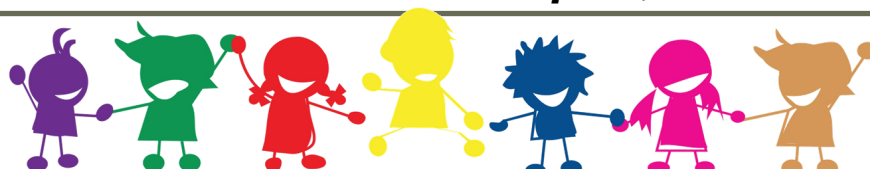
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many thanks!

We appreciate all our volunteers! Thank you to:

- ❖ **Caron Brown** for bringing the Daffodil Program to the Nursery School and Religious School
- ❖ **Dr. Randi Teplow-Phipps** for visiting our Nursery School to talk to the children about pediatrician check-ups
- ❖ **Irwin Kavy** for leading our *Heh* class field trip to the Jewish Cemetery in Ossining and the Old CSI building and for sharing his knowledge of ritual and CSI's history
- ❖ All the **Nursery School parents** that helped deliver our food collection to the Ossining food pantry
- ❖ All our **CSI Families** that came on Thanksgiving Day to help set up for the Thanksgiving Dinner at the First Presbyterian Church of Ossining
- ❖ All **Nursery School parents** who help us with our *challah* baking and Thanksgiving cooking – to sign up for future baking & cooking, go to your sign-up genius email

NEWS AND EVENTS from *Roni Shapiro, Educational Director*



CSI Nursery School News



Tuesday mornings from 9 – 10:30 AM
for children aged 6 to 24 months with an adult

Tuesdays for Tots will meet:

December

3

10

17

Come play!



No Nursery School

December 23 through January 1

ALMOST 2's



CSI's separation program for children
15-22 months old without a caregiver

Session 2 begins January 3rd

Classes will meet Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

9:00-11:55am

Registration materials can be found at www.csibriarcliff.org/learning
or email Janice@csibriarcliff.org

NEED A BABYSITTER?

Hire one of these fantastic teens!

Name	Grade	Phone	Town/Village
Shoshana Daly	10	914-434-8901	Croton-On-Hudson
Ian Horowitz	10	914-924-3711	Briarcliff Manor
Laura Horowitz	11	914-980-7636	Briarcliff Manor
Hannah Mortman	10	914-672-0430	Chappaqua
Abbie Nass	10	914-274-0296	Chappaqua
Hayley Satran	11	914-343-5199	Briarcliff Manor
Daniel Satran	9	914-343-4628	Briarcliff Manor
Jason Yules	10	914-502-7955	Ossining

NEWS AND EVENTS from *Roni Shapiro, Educational Director*



CSI Religious School News

Shabbat Noar

Youth Learning Services
for 3rd-7th graders
Led by Morah Sheera

December 7

December 14

10:30am-12:00pm

3rd-5th graders:

Must attend at least 5 of these services
during the 2019-2020 school year

6th & 7th graders:

Attendance at these services will count toward
Bar/Bat Mitzvah requirements

shabbat sababa

Cool Shabbat

For: Families of *Shorashim*, *Prozdor 1* & *Prozdor 2*

When: December 6 at 6:15 PM

What: A special *Shabbat* service at which your children will show you what they have learned about *Shabbat*.

Taste their *challah*, see their *Shabbat* crafts and enjoy their *Shabbat* singing & performance.

Schedule:

6:15 PM — *Shabbat* Appetizers

7:00 PM — *Shabbat* Rocks Service &
Student Performance

8:00 PM — *Oneg* (yummy desserts)

Please RSVP to Janice@csibriarcliff.org
Suggested Donation \$18 per family to CSI

No Religious School
December 22
through
January 1

CSI Teens News

We are proud of our CSI Teens who are continuing their Jewish Education in our Hebrew High School:

Zachary Anisman

Shoshana Daly

Harrison Ginsburg

Ian Horowitz

Laura Horowitz

David Katz

Dina Millerman

Hannah Mortman

Abbie Nass

Daniel Satran

Hayley Satran

Ryan Wancier

Jason Yules

Rebecca Zinn

Upcoming
Hebrew High School
Brunch & Class:

December 8th

11AM-12:15PM

And thank you to their families for supporting our High School programming by registering their teens!



CSI Nursery School PTA Presents

Holiday Boutique

CRAFTS, JEWELRY, BEAUTY,
CLOTHING & MORE!

December 11th

4:30-8:30PM

CONGREGATION SONS OF ISRAEL
1666 PLEASANTVILLE RD,
BRIARCLIFF MANOR
(914) 762-2700

- FREE ADMISSION
- FREE BABYSITTING
- LIGHT APPETIZERS & REFRESHMENTS
- RAFFLE PRIZES

10% OF ALL SALES WILL SUPPORT THE NURSERY SCHOOL PTA

NURSERY SCHOOL PTA

**Join us for our next open PTA MEETING:
Tuesday, December 3rd at 9am
Find out how you can get involved!**

OUR UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 22nd and May 20th: MAD SCIENCE From air to animal friends and butterflies, to water, weather and worms, the preschool science programs are designed to captivate the curious nature of young children. Mad Science brings the wonders of science to preschool kids.

February 6th: DINOSAURS ROCK An interactive school assembly that's educational, hands-on, & includes a fossil-dig with specimens to keep and take home!

February 8th: PARENTS ONLY SATURDAY NIGHT SOCIAL Hosted by one of our gracious CSI NS PTA parents. A night to spend time with other CSI parents in a casual social setting.

SPRING 2020: BOSSY FROG BAND The songs are fun and interactive and the kids will surely love it! The Bossy Frog Band thrills young audiences with their 100% interactive, over-the-top, banjo-driven, costume-character-dancing musical performance.

Check out [Mabel's Labels](http://mabelslabels.com) to help put your child's name on everything. Go to mabelslabels.com and click on Support a Fundraiser. Click on CSI NS PTA (Briarcliff Manor) and start shopping. A percentage of the proceeds is given back to support the PTA.

CSI NS PTA Board 2019-2020

President: Randi Teplow-Phipps

Treasurer: Angela Kotsubey

Holiday Boutique Chair: Emily Newfield

JOIN US ON DECEMBER 11TH FOR OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

DO YOU HAVE A LARGE TICKET ITEM TO DONATE TO THE BOUTIQUE RAFFLE? - CAMP PACKAGES, SPORTING OR EVENT TICKETS, GOLF OUTINGS, VACATIONS, PROFESSIONAL TREATMENTS SUCH AS DERMATOLOGIC OR DENTAL? LET US KNOW. YOU WILL RECEIVE A TAX LETTER FROM CSI WHILE PROVIDING TREMENDOUS SUPPORT TO THE NS PTA AND OUR CHILDREN!

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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL PTA

We hope you are enjoying the Challah Fairy challahs! Remember, there are always a few extra for purchase on Friday mornings. Just stop in the office.

USY/KADIMA—Andrea Bromberg, Advisor

Here's what's coming up for teens at CSI and around the region!

What?	When?	Where?	Who?
Chanukah Treasure Hunt and Latke Making	Sunday, December 8 11am-1pm	CSI	Hebrew High and USY
USY Pre-Convention	December 19-22	Ontario, CA	Registered USYers
USY International Convention	December 22-26	Los Angeles, CA	Registered USYers
Preparing and serving dinner for the homeless	Sunday, January 19 ~5pm	CSI	Kadima, USY, and Hebrew High

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- Have questions? E-mail Andrea at csiusy@csibriarcliff.org. Or speak to a USY board member!
- Want METNY updates on your phone? Text @metnyu to 81010 for reminders.
- Want to register for a regional or divisional event? Follow this link:
https://www.regpacks.com/reg/templates/build/?g_id=100901855

PRIDE COMMITTEE NEWS - Suzanne Haber, Chairperson



CSI's **PRIDE** Committee was established to create an embracing community and safe spaces for all of our members and guests, regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. We are committed to educating and creating awareness around LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning/Queer etc.) subjects through a variety of programs and collaborations. We look forward to planning some terrific educational and social events for this year. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out. Suzanne Haber at shab2@optonline.net.

Judy Boehr, Chairperson



As I'm writing this article, it is a windy 22-degree day. Some of our neighbors do not have warm enough clothing for the winter, so once again, we will be conducting a drive for IFCA in Ossining. Please bring clean coats and jackets (men, women, children), hats, scarves, gloves, and mittens to the bins in the Synagogue lobby. We will deliver them as the bins fill so that they can be used immediately.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

TRIP TO THE NYC MUSEUM OF JEWISH HERITAGE

Sunday, December 22nd

[Space is limited.]

**We will experience a guided tour of the
internationally acclaimed exhibit:**

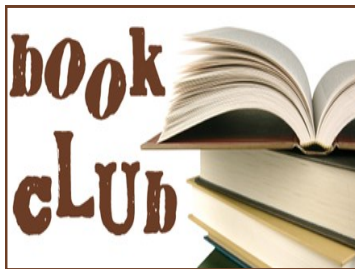
**AUSCHWITZ:
NOT LONG AGO. NOT FAR AWAY**

Cost is \$45/person which includes brunch at CSI, a luxury bus ride to and from the Museum, admission to the Museum along with a guided tour of the exhibition.

For details please contact Debra Young: Deb55515@gmail.com



MEN'S CLUB - Mark Reisman & Richard Langeloh, Co - Presidents



MEN'S CLUB BOOK CLUB

Thursday, December 12th at 7:30pm

“Tough Jews” by Rich Cohen—a nonfiction tale of Jewish gangsters in the 20's and 30's.

At the home of Alan Grotenstein, 10 Briarbrook Drive, Briarcliff Manor.

For more information please contact
Alan Grotenstein agrotenstein@gmail.com
914 591 8372 Office * 914 953 7866 Cell



WORLD WIDE WRAP Sunday, February 2nd, 2020

“MAN OF THE YEAR” Sunday, May 3rd, 2020

Orangetown Jewish Center—Rick Langeloh will be honored as Man of the Year along with outstanding youth, Rebecca Zinn.

Please save the date. More info to follow.

OUR DECEMBER *B'NOT* MITZVAH

DECEMBER 7th

My name is Olivia Rose Wrubel and I am 12 years old. I will turn 13 years old on December 31st. I live with my parents Eric Wrubel and Paul Toth and my brother, George. I also have 2 dogs. Their names are Rocky and Hugo. I live in Chappaqua and attend Seven Bridges Middle School.

I enjoy playing sports. At school, I have participated in Volleyball and Lacrosse. I play lacrosse in the spring and I am finishing volleyball now. Outside of school I really enjoy playing soccer. I play for the Chappaqua Youth Soccer Club. I have been playing for this team since 2nd grade. Since I will be going into high school next year, this is my last year playing on the CYSC travel soccer team. However, I hope to continue playing soccer for the Greeley high school team. In the winter, I love to ski. I learned to ski when I was very young at Mt. Snow in Vermont. I ski with Daddy, Paul and George on weekends. I love to ski. I learned the clarinet while a middle schooler and this year I decided I wanted to do something different so am singing in chorus.

For my *Bat Mitzvah* project, I really wanted to incorporate what I love to do (skiing) with helping others. I decided to apply to the Mount Snow Adaptive Sport Program. This program let me help others do something that they wouldn't be able to do in many other places. I helped children and adults with disabilities ski at Mt. Snow. The disabilities ranged from Autism to physical impairments. These individuals wanted to ski and the volunteers in the program help the participants to ski the mountain. I participated in this program from December 2018 to the end of February 2019. Because I enjoyed this program so much I decided to do it again this year-- not for my *Bat Mitzvah* project. It feels good helping others do things that they might not ever be able to do. I worked with one 5 year old child who had autism. Working with him helped me learn how to stay calm in situations and I learned to control myself. I learned so much in how to deal with people in different situations so that everyone had a good time on the slopes. I learned how to interact in a kinder way to make others feel happy and joyful.

I am excited to be a *Bat Mitzvah* but a little nervous as well. I want to make sure that I do the best I can do on the bimah. I am sorry that Poppy (my grandfather George Wrubel) and Grandma (Yvonne Toth) are not alive to share this *simcha* with me. They are present in my memory though. I would like to thank Cantor Shiovitz, Rabbi Kane and all of my Hebrew school teachers for helping me get to the point of becoming a *Bat Mitzvah*. I want to thank my parents, my brother, and my friends for helping me every day. And a special thank you to my Nanni (my grandmother Evelyn Wrubel) for everything she has done for me and all of the encouragement she continually gives to me. See you on the *Bimah*!

DECEMBER 7th - MINCHA









Hi, my name is Sari Linett. I will become a Bat Mitzvah on December 7, 2019. I have lived in Briarcliff Manor my entire life. I live with my mom, my dad, my brother, and my dog. I currently am in 7th grade at Briarcliff Middle School. This year, I joined the modified soccer team at school. Outside of school, I play on a WYSL soccer team. Soccer keeps me active and I love being able to spend time with friends. In addition to soccer, I enjoy cooking and baking. I have taken cooking classes and really like making dinner for my family.

For my *Bat Mitzvah* Project, I created Birthday Boxes for children in Westchester county. Through an organization called Family to Family, I was connected to the Boys and Girls Club of New Rochelle. They gave me the names and ages of 15 kids whose families did not have enough money to provide a birthday experience for their child. This is where I stepped in. I made special bags filled with birthday supplies, so these kids could enjoy their special day. The boxes were a gift to both the children who received them and the parents, who get to be the "givers," preparing a party for their own child's birthday. In each birthday box, I included a box of cake mix, frosting, birthday candles, birthday streamers, a card, a book, and a new gift. I am lucky enough to be able to have a great celebration and I was happy to be able to help make another kid's birthday feel so special.

With my *Bat Mitzvah* coming up, I am very excited for the big day. I am so happy that so many friends and family from near and far will be there to celebrate with me. I know it's a big deal and am ready for it. My time at CSI religious school has helped me get prepared. I want to thank Rabbi Kane for his help, Cantor Shiovitz for working with me on all my prayers, including my Torah portion, and my CSI teachers for preparing me for this special time. I lastly want to thank my parents, my brother, the rest of my family, and my friends for helping me reach this moment. Thank you!



DECEMBER 2019 * 3 Kislev - 3 Tevet

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 3 Kislev 9:15am Minyan	2 4 Kislev 7:15am Minyan 9am Almost 2's 10:30am NS Sign Language 11:30am Women's Torah Study 4:30pm Art Class 7pm Ed. Comm. 6:30pm Sisterhood 7:30pm Five Things 8:45pm Talmud	3 5 Kislev 9am Tuesday Tots NS Nature 11:15am JITN HEH Late Night Ronald McDonald House 6:45pm Caring 7:30pm 2 nd Gen Survivors 7:30pm Women's Writing	4 6 Kislev 9am Almost 2's 7:30pm Sisterhood Community Action Event (see page 19)	5 7 Kislev 7:15am Minyan	6 8 Kislev 9am Almost 2's 9:30am NS Yoga C/L 4:10pm 6:15pm SABABA Appetizers K-2 7pm Shabbat Rocks	7 9 Kislev 9:10am Shabbat service BM: OLIVIA WRUBEL 10:30am Shabbat Noar 10:30am Shabbat Limud 5pm MINCHA BM: SARI LINETT <i>Vayetze</i>
8 10 Kislev 9:15am Minyan 9am-1:30pm BLOOD DRIVE 11am HS & USY Joint Program	9 11 Kislev 7:15am Minyan 9am Almost 2's 11:30am Women's Torah 4:30pm Art Class 8:45pm Talmud	10 12 Kislev 9am Tuesday Tots 11:15am JITN 12:30pm HaMishpacha Luncheon 7:30pm Exec. Comm.	11 13 Kislev 9am Almost 2's 4:30pm - 8:30pm NS PTA GIFT BOUTIQUE Open to all! (see page 12)	12 14 Kislev 7:15am Minyan 10:30am HaMishpacha Discussion Group	13 15 Kislev 9am Almost 2's C/L 4:11pm 6pm Kabbalat Shabbat	14 16 Kislev 9:10 am Shabbat service 10:30am Shabbat Noar 12:30pm Hazz'n's Tish Jewish Music Through the Ages Off site <i>Vayishlach</i>
15 17 Kislev 9:15am Minyan 11:15am Conversations in Medical Ethics: Physician-assisted suicide.	16 18 Kislev 7:15am Minyan 9am Almost 2's 10:30am NS Sign Language 11:30am Women's Torah Study 4:30pm Art Class 7:30pm Mah Jongg 7:30pm Women's Writing 8:45pm Talmud	17 19 Kislev 9am Tuesday Tots 11:15am JITN 7:30pm Bd. of Trustees	18 20 Kislev 9am Almost 2's 9:30am NS Music	19 21 Kislev 7:15am Minyan	20 22 Kislev 9am Almost 2's 9:30am NS Yoga C/L 4:13pm 6pm Kabbalat Shabbat	21 23 Kislev 9am Tot Shabbat 9:10am Shabbat service NAMING: Barzilai family 10:30am Shabbat Noar 10:30am Chavurah Family service During kiddush: Rabbi's Class-The Hebrew Bible <i>Vayeshev</i>
22 24 Kislev 9:15am Minyan NO SCHOOL Social Committee Brunch & Trip to NYC Museum of Jewish Heritage Erev Chanukah 1 st Candle 	23 25 Kislev 7:15am Minyan NO SCHOOL CHANUKAH 2 nd Candle 	24 26 Kislev NO SCHOOL CHANUKAH 3 rd Candle 	25 27 Kislev NO SCHOOL CHANUKAH 4 th Candle 	26 28 Kislev 7:15am Minyan NO SCHOOL CHANUKAH 5 th Candle 	27 29 Kislev NO SCHOOL CHANUKAH 6 th Candle C/L 4:17pm 6pm Kabbalat Shabbat 	28 30 Kislev 9:10am Shabbat service CHANUKAH 7 th Candle 
29 1 Tevet 9:15am Minyan NO SCHOOL CHANUKAH 8 th Candle 	30 2 Tevet 7:15am Minyan NO SCHOOL Last Day of Chanukah	31 3 Tevet NO SCHOOL				ABBREVIATIONS: C/L = Candle Lighting Time HS = High School NS = Nursery School RS = Religious School JITN = Jews in the News



Come to the *Matanah* and shop for all of your Chanukah needs. We have menorahs, dreidels, candles, & gifts. We also carry hostess gifts, jewelry, wall art, toys and so much more. Stop by on Sundays or email Robsamg@optonline.net for an appointment.

SISTERHOOD NEWS - www.WLCJ.org**CSI Sisterhood Annual Community Action Event**

Supporting

**Wednesday, December 4, 2019****7:30pm - 9:00pm**

Coffee and dessert will be served!

For the past few years, CSI Sisterhood has chosen a local non-profit organization to share their mission with us and we have provided gifts for their beneficiaries for the holiday season. This year we have chosen (914) Cares whose mission is to support neighbors in our community who struggle to meet basic human needs. For more information about (914) Cares visit: www.914cares.org.

There is no charge for this event but we ask that everyone bring new, unwrapped gifts for the teens of the Pleasantville Cottage School to help make sure they have a very happy holiday.

Suggested Gifts Include:

- Pajamas/fleece items/sweatpants - sizes XS to XXL
- Hooded and zip-up sweatshirts - sizes XS to XXL
- Personal care items for teens (no aerosol or glass please) e.g. scented body wash and creams

If you can't join us, but would still like to donate, gifts may be dropped off between 12/2 - 12/13.

Please RSVP to Robin Ginsberg robsamg@optonline.net

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President: Robin Ginsberg \* Treasurer/ Financial Secretary: Sharon Richter \* Recording Secretary: Beth Levine  
Corresponding Secretary/ Bulletin : Marion Jablansky \* Membership: Annleah Berger \* Mah Jongg Chair: Cheryl Katz  
Gift Shop: Merrie Daitch/Robin Ginsberg/ Jill Greenstein/ Marion Jablansky/ Sharon Orenstein  
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Coming Up: Mah Jongg 12/16

CARING COMMUNITY - Merrie Daitch, Chairperson

Our CSI Caring Community is a committee whose sole purpose is to help our members who need some TLC. After you let the shul office know what is going on in your life, they can set the wheels in motion. You will hear from Judy Boehr if you are sick or need a *mazel tov*. Merrie Daitch makes our bereavement calls. We offer *Shabbat* dinners or b. bags for our mourners. If you need food because of illness or catastrophe, Susan Hodara will give you a call. If you have a baby, Resa Mestel Fox will send you a special gift. Susan Grotenstein delivers holiday gifts to our members who are home/facility bound. **(Please let us know about congregants whose situation has changed and now fall into this category.)** Many of our over 30 members help with *Shabbat* deliveries, visit our members who are sick and cook when called upon. We thank them all! If you would like to be added to our email list, please contact our chair, Merrie Daitch, at merrietunes@yahoo.com



The Caring Community has been a long-time supporter of the HaMishpacha Luncheons at CSI. Your donations to this fund can help us maintain this beloved program for seniors in our area. Your donations to CSI's Caring Community are put to work to provide much-needed socialization and support. Thank you!

Happy Anniversary



CELEBRANTS	DATE	YEARS
Benjamin & Pamela Newman	4	15
Seth & Deena Kornblau	6	22
Stuart & Stacy Halper	7	28
Eric & Lisa Nadler	10	24
Ira & Lisa Schwartz	10	19
Jeffrey & Ilene Calderon	13	27
Giora & Karen Payes	15	18
David & Jewel Weiss	16	30
David & Lisa Zimmerman	17	25
Jeffrey & Robyn Shiovitz	18	36
Jonathan & Erica Kolbrener	18	25
Joshua Diamond & Zhanna Glazenburg	19	26
Gary & Bette Slutsky	22	57
Sid & Joan Schneider	22	51
Paul & Betty Kalman	22	46
Richard & Betsy Rosenblum	26	48
Thomas & Donna Hannan	31	25

CELEBRANTS	DATE	AGE
Eva Millerman	13	12
Ryder Neave	18	14
Henry Schiz	24	2
Aubrey Licht	25	6
Aiden Parker	30	9

DONATIONS

CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Thank you for the *Shemini Atzteret Aliyah*

Thank you to Cantor Shiovitz

In memory of Gerald Koller

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In memory of Michael Greene

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Thank you to Cantor Shiovitz

In honor of Cantor Shiovitz

In honor of Hannah's *Rosh Hashanah* Torah Reading

In memory of Gerald Koller

In memory of Gerald Koller

Ruth Hirschel

Malvina Browne & Family

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Debra Young

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CARING COMMUNITY

In memory of Michael Greene

In memory of Bruce Browne

In memory of Gerald Koller

In memory of Michael Greene

In memory of Charles Trachtenberg

In memory of Stuart Wetzler

In memory of Michael Greene

In memory of Esther Miller

In memory of Michael Greene

In memory of Esther Miller

In memory of William & Rhoda Kittay

In honor of Debra Young being named *Kallat Bereshit*

In memory of Charles Davis

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Leon White

LIFE CYCLE EVENTS:

Mazal Tov to: Paula & Larry Edlavitch on the engagement of their daughter Esther to Shmuel Crowe.

Mazal Tov to: Jill & Joel Greenstein on the birth of their granddaughter, Norah Marion Kulkarni. Norah is the daughter of Rebecca Greenstein and Sid Kulkarni.

Mazal Tov to: Janice & Barry Kirschner on the birth of their grandson, Elliot Simon Kirschner. Elliot is the son of Jonathan & Lesley Gyorsok Kirschner and little brother to Linda & Sonja.

Condolences to: Barbara Schoenfeld on the loss of her mother, Esther Miller.

Condolences to: Nina Gershowitz on the loss of her father, Paul Gurevich.

Condolences to: Heidi Pinsky on the loss of her father, Ronald Richard Becker.

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In memory of Michael Greene
 Thank you to Rabbi Kane
 Thank you to the Caring Community
 In memory of Gerald Koller
 In memory of Esther Miller
 In memory of Ralph Berger
 In memory of Ruth Papa
 In honor of Ellen Johnson
 Thank you to the Caring Community
 In memory of Sol Krongelb & Thank you to CSI

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 In memory of Esther Miller
 In honor of Jack Zinn being named *P'sichat N'eilah*
 In honor of the birth of Elliot Simon Kirschner
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In memory of Bruce Browne

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In celebration of our 44th Wedding Anniversary
 In memory of Michael Greene
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Thank you to Rabbi Kane

In honor of Rabbi Steven & Judy Kane's 36th Wedding Anniversary

In honor of Dr. John Chabot

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In honor of the birth of Samantha Rose Grossman

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In honor of the marriage of Jeffrey Weinstein to Nora Wood

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In honor of the engagement of Allyza Lustig to Sammy Vider

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In memory of Charles Davis

In memory of Victor Boucai

In memory of Esther Miller

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Help us reach our essential goal of \$75,000 in this year's *Kol Nidre* Appeal.

Here is a list of donors as of November 18th.

(*) Denotes donations above \$500.

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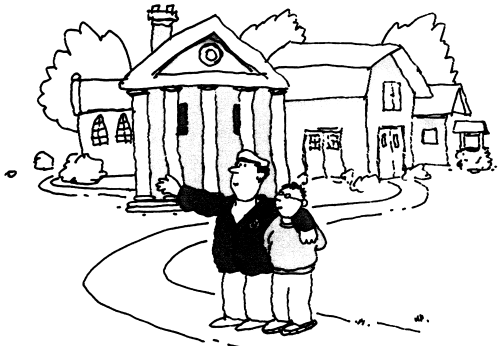
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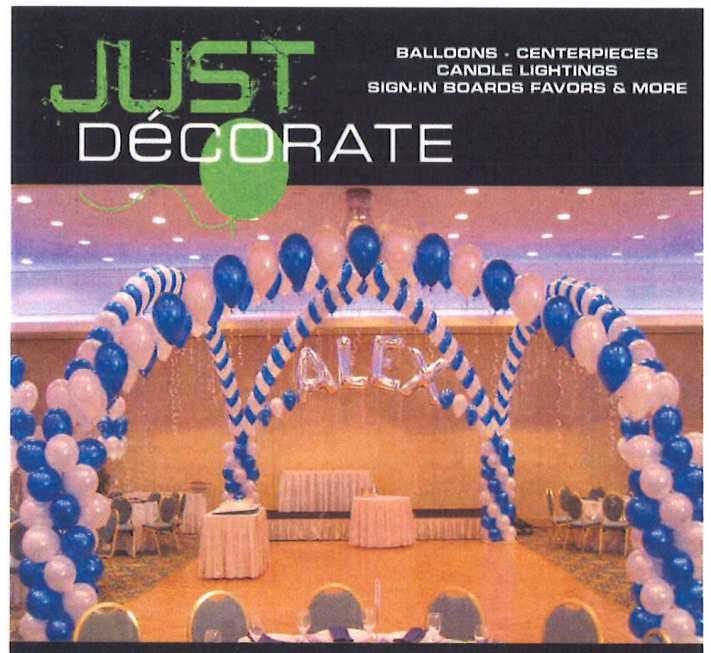
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