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Former Exponent **Business** Manager Charged With \$1.44M Fraud

ANDY GOTLIEB AND GABE KAHN | JE MANAGING EDITOR AND JE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

FORMER JEWISH EXPONENT Director of Business Operations Cheryl Lutts was arrested and charged May 21 with 22 counts of wire fraud and two counts of mail fraud, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania announced.

Lutts, 42, of Philadelphia allegedly siphoned about \$1.19 million from the Exponent between 2016 and 2019, as well as about \$255,000 from The Philly Pops, where she worked as controller after being fired from the Exponent in August 2019. In all, Lutts is accused of stealing \$1.44 million.

"Nonprofit organizations exist for the people and constituencies they serve, not





▲ Left: Irving Goldfinger. Right: Abraham (back left) and Sadie Goldfinger (back right) with Irving (front left) and Harold (front right). Norma Goldfinger was born in between Harold and Irving. Photos courtesy of Marci Goldfinger

'She Was a Person': Man **Searches for Infant Sister** He Never Met

JESSE BERNSTEIN | JE STAFF

around on the internet in July 2012 trying

to find out a bit more about the family of

her father, Irving Goldfinger.

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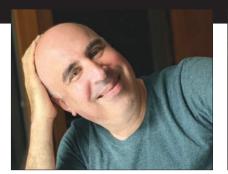
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Miriam's Advice Well HOW DO YOU BOW OUT GRACEFULLY?

A reader who started a book club 10 years ago is no longer interested in participating, but wonders how to bow out respectfully. Miriam notes that the pandemic has enabled people to

reconsider their priorities. All the reader needs to do is explain why the book club doesn't fit in her post-pandemic life and not offer a further explanation or excuses. From dating to parenting, Miriam welcomes all questions. Email yours to news@jewishexponent.com and put "Advice Well Question" in the subject line. jewishexponent.com/2021/05/24/dear-miriam-how-do-you-bowout-gracefully/

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Philacatessen QUICKEST, BEST SALSA

Jarred salsa from the supermarket isn't bad, but food columnist Keri White discovered that it's not difficult to make a superior version at home — one where the heat level can be adjusted to your preference. All you need is some garlic, jalapeño pepper, salt, cilantro, San Marzano tomatoes and lime. Read Philacatessen, her online blog, for the recipe. And check Philacatessen regularly for food content not normally found in the printed edition, such as other recipes, restaurant reviews and food news from around the Delaware Valley. jewishexponent.com/2021/05/24/quickest-best-salsa/

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Jewish Candidates Enjoy Election Day. Mostly

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FOR JEWISH CANDIDATES at state and local levels, Pennsylvania's primary election on May 18 was mostly a day for celebration.

In perhaps one of the commonwealth, incumbent District Attorney of Philadelphia Larry Krasner soundly defeated bent eventually winning by

The Associated Press called the race for Philadelphia District Attorney Larry Krasner, as his margin of victory grew and grew, with the incumbent eventually winning by nearly 30 points.

Democratic challenger Carlos nearly 30 points. Krasner, the Krasner fired back in 2018.

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Vega, a former prosecutor who longtime defense and civil rights attorney first elected in 2017, will face off against most high-profile races in the the race for Krasner that night Republican Charles Peruto, Jr. this fall in a race that Krasner will be heavily favored to win. Maria McLaughlin, profiled

in the Jewish Exponent in March, was unchallenged in her bid to be the Democratic nominee for a soon-to-beopen seat on the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. McLaughlin, who grew up in Overbrook Park and spent nearly 20 years as an assistant district attorney in Philadelphia, previously served on the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas and the Superior Court of Pennsylvania. With Chief Justice Thomas Saylor, a Republican, set to retire, McLaughlin's election to the court could create a 6-1 majority for Democrats. She'll run against Republican Commonwealth Court Judge Kevin Brobson this fall.

In Philadelphia, Wendi Barish, Betsy Wahl, Daniel Sulman and Craig Levin were all successful in their bids to join the group of eight Democratic jurists who will look to serve on the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas this fall. Among all 16 candidates, only Nick Kamau received more votes than Barish.

And finally, Rebecca Rhynhart, who has been city controller since 2018, went unchallenged in her campaign for the Democratic nomination for the same position. The former chief administrative officer for Mayor Jim Kenney is expected to retain her position this fall, with some political forecasters seeing higher office on the horizon for her.

At the Superior Court level, two Jewish Democratic jurists, Bryan Neft and Jill Beck, were defeated by Timika Lane. Lane will now face off against Republican primary winner Megan Sullivan this fall.

In Bucks County, Amir jbernstein@jewishexponent.com; Stark finished second in the 215-832-0740



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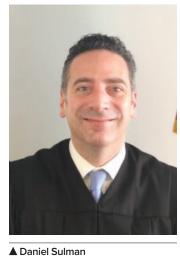


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Republican primary for the Court of Common Pleas of Bucks County. •

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For Hamas, this is not about evictions, annexation, or statehood; nor is it about building a better future for Palestinians. Hamas's victims include the Palestinian people who have suffered for years under the regime's violence, corrupt leadership and disturbing human rights violations, including using children as human shields and launching rockets at civilian targets from schools and hospitals for their own political benefit.

We will always stand with the right of the Jewish people to live and to thrive, especially in their ancestral homeland in Israel.

We pray that the new ceasefire will hold and calm will soon be restored in the region. We extend our prayers for recovery to all those injured and mourn for all innocent lives lost. We join with those ever-yearning for a more peaceful, secure, and just future for all living in the region and around the world.



Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia



Kosher Bakery Owner to Hang it Up After 24 Years

LOCAL

ANDY GOTLIEB | JE MANAGING EDITOR

THE LIMITED NUMBER of kosher bakery options in the Philadelphia area will drop further once Homemade Goodies by Roz closes its doors in the coming weeks.

Owner Roz Bratt said the Society Hill bakery at 510 S. Fifth St. will close its retail operation on May 28, with the final day of commercial accounts "no later than the end of June."

"I just can't do this anymore," Bratt said, "I'm 72, will be in 73 in November. I can't bake like I used to."

Bratt is selling the bakery which will no longer be kosher — to a former apprentice.

because it has made finding help difficult – a situation common homemade." across the baking industry, she two other employees.

"It's hard to find good workers who want to stay," she said, describing people who would work for a few days, then never show up again. When the pandemic struck, she closed for two weeks, then opened wholesaling again and finally the retail part of her business.

The story of Homemade Goodies by Roz dates back to the 1990s, when she worked as a Mellon Bank teller at a branch at Second and Chestnut streets. Some of her coworkers and became popular quickly. opened a luncheonette, and she wanted to help.

"There was a sign saying The pandemic contributed 'homemade,' and they had

to Bratt's decision to retire Drake's Cakes there," she said. "They asked me if I could bake

Although Bratt had never said. She typically works with made one before — and didn't have formal baker training she baked her friends a Jewish apple cake that was a hit.

Eventually, she set out on her own, with her late brother Bobby Rothstein, a plumber by trade, putting the store together. Other friends chipped in, too. Singer Norman Burnett of The Tymes, who had a No. 1 hit in 1963 with "So Much in Love," was a bank customer who chipped in with the painting.

The store opened in 1997

"(The late Temple University basketball coach) John Chaney would come in here and buy goodies for his basketball players," she said.

Bratt obtained kosher certification in 2008 and retains pareve, pas Yisroel, certification from Keystone-K, the Community Kashrus of Greater Philadelphia.

She estimates that 60% of already-certified her customers come specifically For example, a bakery used because of the kosher certi- the commercial kitchen at fication, with the remainder being from the neighborhood in Wynnewood — where Gross or from people just passing by.

"I love what I do, and I know my stuff is good — and it's not me saying that," Bratt said.

Rabbi Yonah Gross, who is the kashrus administrator for Keystone-K, said the kosher landscape is always changing, face pressures.

There are larger institutional bakeries that have filled some of the gap," he said.

The pandemic has definitely changed things, too.

"There have been a bunch of home-based businesses" that have sprung up that, while not certified, have spread because of word of mouth, he said.

And some small bakeries have taken advantage of



space. Congregation Beth Hamedrosh is rabbi — once a week.

In addition, with the pandemic seemingly winding down, Keystone-K has been approached by both new and existing businesses about certification, Gross said.

Bratt hasn't decided what especially as smaller bakeries the future holds, but she's walking away with a clear conscience.

> "I don't think I have any regrets," she said.

Bratt did offer a parting gift to Exponent readers: the recipe for her signature Jewish apple cake from her cookbook, "Homemade Goodies by Roz."

Apple Cake

3 cups flour 11/2 cups sugar Courtesy of Roz Bratt

- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup oil
- 2¹/₂ teaspoons vanilla
- 1/2 cup orange juice

Apple mixture:

- 5 apples (peeled, cored and chopped)
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 5 tablespoons sugar

Add all the dry ingredients into a bowl.

Add all the wet ingredients into the dry bowl. Mix until there are no lumps in the batter.

Mix the apple mixture together.

Layer batter, apples, batter, then more apples.

Bake at 350 degrees F for one hour in a 10-inch tube pan or until a toothpick comes out clean. •

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Jake Fischer Trusts 'The Process'

LOCAL

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PHILADELPHIA **76ERS** center Joel Embiid scored 30 points in a first-round playoff victory over the Washington Wizards on May 23. To 76ers fans, it was an auspicious beginning to the team's quest for an NBA championship, which would be the franchise's first since the 1982-'83 season.

Having entered this year's playoffs as the No. 1 seed in the Eastern Conference, hopes are, understandably, quite high.

To Jake Fischer, the performance by Embiid and the rest of his teammates is the culmination of much more than one season of high-level basketball. The author of the new book "Built to Lose: How the NBA's Tanking Era Changed first-game victory as another chapter in a story that begins years ago, one that he's been itching to tell.

Fischer, 27, lives in Brooklyn, where he writes about the NBA for Bleacher Report. Previously, Fischer worked for Sports Illustrated, and his draft picks; the team became writing has appeared in GQ, The Washington Post and team's second-rounders. To SLAM Magazine, among other publications.

Embiid and the 76ers, Fischer's story doesn't start with wild 7-foot-3 center from Cameroon, his begins at Cherry Hill East High School.

Fischer was "somewhat of an OK basketball player" in high school, by his lights, competing in regional Maccabi Games and in the local JCC league, too. When it became apparent that he probably wouldn't be taking his talents to the collegiate level, Fischer decided to devote more of his time to

(now called Mizrach). He also decided that he would pursue a career that was slightly easier to break into than professional basketball: writing.

He got his start writing for Eastside, the school newspaper. After he graduated in 2012, heading off to Northeastern University, Fischer landed an internship at SLAM, the legendary basketball publication that he'd dreamed of working for one day. Through his school's co-op program, he was also able to cover high school basketball for The Boston Globe.

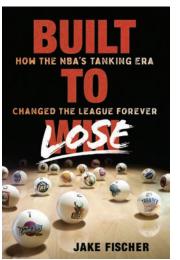
In between those gigs, Fischer started to write a little bit for Liberty Ballers, a local 76ers blog. That was 2013, which happened to be the year that the team hired a Houston Rockets be the general manager.

That's where Fischer's story the League Forever" sees the and that of his book begin to converge.

Hinkie deployed an aggressive tanking strategy, losing as many games as possible over multiple seasons in order to league-wide reactions to it, and acquire a slew of high draft he decided to take the opporpicks. Players of value were tunity to press forward with quickly flipped for future the project. a repository for every other many observers, and some in the league office, "The Process," Much like the story of as it came to be known, flew in the face of competition.

To Fischer and others, The successes. Unlike the team's Process was a chance to give the team the best possible shot at winning an NBA championship: drafting an elite player with a high draft pick. One of those elite players, drafted by Hinkie, was Embiid.

For years, Fischer observed from afar as Hinkie's strategy seemed to have massive ramifications for the rest of the league. Since he was fired in the spring of 2016, Fischer sensed, Hinkie's team-building philosworking on communications ophy was increasingly seen as for his USY region, Hagesher more than the fringe views of



a short-lived front office executive. Maybe, rather than being foolhardy or anti-competitive, there was something visionary in what he'd tried to do.

In 2019, Fischer's time at Sports executive named Sam Hinkie to Illustrated came to an unfortunate end after Authentic Brands Group, a brand management company, bought the magazine and laid off 40 employees. The year before, Fischer had started to put together some notes for a pandemic, Fischer was able book about The Process and the

Over the next few years, early days of lockdown.



Fischer interviewed more than 300 agents, players, coaches and front office executives for "Built to Lose," which he wrote covering the period of Hinkie's 2013-'16 tenure. The book retells old, forgotten stories and brings to light new elements of what Fischer argues is a formative era of contemporary NBA team-building.

to lock himself in his room and write until he couldn't anymore. He feels lucky to have had something to keep himself busy during those jbernstein@jewishexponent.com;

Now that "Built to Lose," published by Triumph Books, is out, Fischer believes the story he's told makes it clear that there's no better alternative for small market NBA teams than Sam Hinkie's tear-it-down team-building method. Thus far, the reception has been positive.

"I definitely was confident With the onset of the that people would like it," Fischer said, "But now that the work is out there and people are enjoying it, it's definitely really rewarding." •

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As this report uncovers, most homesellers make 7

deadly mistakes that cost them literally thousands of dollars. The good news is that each and every one of these mistakes is entirely preventable. In answer to this issue, industry insiders have prepared a free special report entitled "The 9 Step System to Get Your Home Sold Fast and For Top Dollar".

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Jews of Philly Fashion: David Schwartz

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It's the newest edition of Jews in of Philly Fashion, introducing you to the Chosen few who dress our city. They might mix wool and linen, but they've got some strong opinions on mixing stripes with florals. In this space, we'll talk to designers, sellers, buyers, influencers, models and more. This week, we spoke to David Schwartz.

FOR MORE THAN 90 years, Sophy Curson has been one of the premier women's boutiques in Philadelphia, a Rittenhouse Square mainstay that's weathered every imaginable storm.

And for more than 30 of those years, David Schwartz has helped steer the ship, starting as a summer hire in inventory to doing, in his words, "everything." (Technically speaking, he's vice president, while his mother, Susan, niece of the store's namesake, is president.)

Schwartz, 54, believes that for all of the incursions that though Schwartz does believe online shopping has made into his family's business, there's his long-gone elders - but a simply nothing to replace the shared sense for what it is that

care of a knowledgeable sales associate speaking with you in person.

"What they don't talk about direct-to-consumer and instant buying on Instagram is that in the end, you really have to try the piece on, especially with dresses like I sell," Schwartz said.

Schwartz, a graduate of William Penn Charter School and Kenyon College, first joined the family business in 1988. He'd previously worked some summers between school, but it wasn't until that year that Schwartz joined his mother at the store.

He loved what he found there, the chance to help the women of Philadelphia find something they felt would set them apart. Even though the store has passed down through Sophy Curson storefront generations, with tastes for this or that rising and falling with the seasons, there is a sensibility shared among the family members that have run the store, Schwartz believes. It's not just color or style or material that his purchases would please DAVID SCHWARTZ



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Everyone asked me, how have I succeeded? I say, 'If I put pretty clothes in the window, people come in."



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their customers want.

"Philadelphia women, the Main Line women, they know what they like. They don't need to be trendy," Schwartz said. "They love pretty clothes. Everyone asked me, how have I succeeded? I say, 'If I put pretty clothes in the window, people come in."

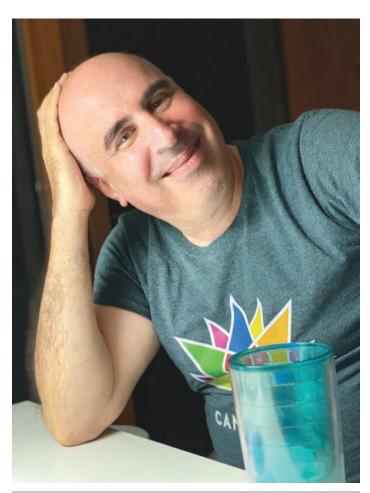
What's the last book you read?

"Touched by the Sun: My Friendship with Jackie," by Carly Simon. It's about Carly's friendship with Jackie Kennedy Onassis.

What clothing trend would you like to see make a comeback?

There are so many, but

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David Schwartz

Photo by Susan Schwartz

the trend I am waiting for shoulder pads.

Can the Sixers win it all this year?

Of course.

believe you used to wear?

5-years-old wearing a turtleneck and short shorts with knee socks.

What's the worst thing you've watched in quarantine?

I watch "Real Housewives" before and after the quarantine. That is my most embarrassing type of show.

Can dogs love?

Absolutely.

What item of clothing should more people be wearing?

Two. In the summer, hats to the millennials to discover is keep the sun off your head and face, and in the winter, I love oversized boxy sweaters.

What person's style do you admire?

I love Sarah Jessica Parker, What's something you can't especially when she is dressed by Patricia Field. For men, There is a picture of me at Andy Cohen on Bravo is my other favorite.

Best neighborhood in Philadelphia?

That's a tough one. It is a tie between Rittenhouse Square, where I work, and Society Hill, where I grew up.

What talent would you most like to have?

I wish my singing voice was better.

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ISRAELBRIEFS

Israel's Q1 GDP Unexpectedly Shrinks 6.5%

DESPITE FORECASTS calling for growth of 3.2% in 2021's first quarter, Israel's gross domestic product, or GDP, contracted by 6.5% on an annualized basis, Globes reported, citing estimates by the Central Bureau of Statistics.

The decline was attributed to the impact of the country's third pandemic lockdown from late December into February, and a drop in car imports. Excluding the decline in car imports because of taxation changes, GDP was down 2.5%.

Private consumption declined by 3.2% on an annualized basis, although excluding the drop in durable goods consumption, private consumption grew 7.2%.

"In our estimation, the contraction in the first quarter is not indicative of an expected trend in the rest of the year, and we expect a substantial acceleration in growth in the second quarter and throughout 2021," Mizrahi Tefahot Bank Chief strategist Modi Shafrir said.

EL AI to Cut 1,900 Jobs

El Al Israel Airlines said on May 20 it was trimming 1,900 jobs — about a third of its staff — as part of its plan to recover from COVID-19's impact, The Jerusalem Post reported.

El Al reported an \$86 million loss from January through March, despite other cost-cutting measures, compared to a loss of \$140 million in the same period in 2020. Revenue fell 64% to \$117 million, while expenses declined 54%.

El Al, which is under new ownership and management, has lost money for three years and accumulated debt by renewing its fleet.

Despite the fighting between Israel and Hamas, El Al was one of a few airlines that didn't suspend its flights into and out of Israel.

Earlier in May, the Israeli government approved a bailout for El Al that includes the state covering \$210 million in security costs. The airline raised \$83 million in the quarter by selling options and plans to issue \$105 million in shares by July.

Students Expose Fake Israel-Gaza News, Anti-Israel Propaganda Found on Social Media

About 180 Israeli students at the Interdisciplinary Center in Herzliya are monitoring social media to sniff out fake news and anti-Israel propaganda while also advancing Israel's point of view about the conflict between Israel and Hamas, The Times of Israel reported.

Volunteers look for falsehoods and present facts, with the center estimating that their messages have been seen by more than 2 million internet users.

Aside from rooting out false news, students succeeded in blocking the Twitter account of a Gaza terror group senior member, who was inciting violence against Israel.

The program began spontaneously during the 2012 Israel-Gaza war and returned in 2014 for Operation Protective Edge.

Google Pay to Follow Apple Pay into Israel

Google is accelerating plans to launch its digital wallet service Google Pay in Israel after Apple Pay began service in the country two weeks ago, The Jerusalem Post reported.

Google planned to launch the service by year's end, but apparently is moving the start date into the third quarter after nearly 200,000 Israelis began using Apple Pay within its first weeks.

Credit card machines at most Israeli businesses have, since November, used the EMV standard, which allows for contactless transactions by cellphones and smartwatches. •

— Compiled by Andy Gotlieb

HEADLINES

NEWSBRIEFS

Actor Charles Grodin Dies at 86

DEADPAN JEWISH COMIC ACTOR Charles Grodin, who starred in films including "The Heartbreak Kid" and the children's movie "Beethoven," died May 17 at his home in Connecticut, JTA reported. He was 86.

Grodin was raised in an Orthodox Jewish household in Pittsburgh but became less observant in his adult years.

"In Hebrew school," he told J. the Jewish News of Northern California in 2004, "we'd recite the Hebrew written on a blackboard. I annoyed the rabbi so much he threw me out of class."

He began his career with supporting roles in films including "Rosemary's Baby" and "Catch-22," then had a lead role in "The Heartbreak Kid" as a Jewish sporting goods salesman who falls for a college girl.

Grodin later featured in several other major comedies, including "Heaven Can Wait," "Seems Like Old Times," "Midnight Run" and "Beethoven."

Grodin won an Emmy in 1978 for co-writing the "Paul Simon Special" variety show.

Broadcaster Mary Albert to Retire

month, announced May 16 that he will retire after the NBA playoffs conclude, JTA reported.

Born Marvin Aufrichtig to Jewish parents in Brooklyn, he was one of basketball's most prominent broadcasters, but he also was a national voice for the NFL and NHL.

original basketball Dream Team in 1992 and NCAA tournament games, boxing and tennis. He was the sports anchor on New York's WNBC-TV from 1975 to 1987.

In 1993, he was inducted into the National Jewish Sports Hall of Fame.

NBC fired Albert in 1997 after he faced sexual assault charges. The network rehired him two years later after he received a 12-month suspended prison sentence.

Suspect in 1980 Paris Synagogue Bombing That Killed Four, Injured 40 to Stand Trial

A Canadian academic suspected of bombing a Paris synagogue in 1980 will stand trial, JTA reported.

On May 19, the Cour de Cassation - France's highest court - upheld the appeal by prosecutors against the 2018 release of Hassan Diab, a Lebanon native who became a Canadian citizen in 1993.

Diab was extradited to France from Canada in 2014 Jewish sportscaster Mary Albert, who turns 80 next in connection with the Rue Copernic bombing that killed four people and injured 40, but was released because of evidence that he was in Beirut at the time.

Diab has denied being connection to the attack which was tied to the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine terrorist group.

The Cour de Cassation said the evidence leading Albert called the Olympic gold medal game for the to Diab's release isn't sufficient for dropping the case against him "and can be taken into account in a trial." A court date wasn't set.

Pakistani Official Repeats Antisemitic Tropes

During a May 20 segment on CNN about the Israel-Gaza violence, Pakistani Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi echoed a pair of antisemitic tropes, JTA reported.

Qureshi said Israel is losing "the media war" in its battle against Hamas, "despite their connections."

Anchor Bianna Golodryga, who is Jewish, responded with "What are their connections?"

Qureshi laughed, then said "Deep pockets."

Golodryga asked what he meant, which prompted Qureshi to say, "Well, they're very influential people, they control media."

"I would call that an antisemitic remark," Golodryga responded.

During a seven-minute exchange, Quereshi described Israel's actions against Hamas as "genocide," "war crimes" and "ethnic cleansing." •

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Roanoke can be easily reached by highway, air or train.

• Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional

Airport (ROA), six miles from the city center, is served by four airlines.

- By train, there is Amtrak service to Roanoke. It is part of the Northeast Regional Route, making it easy to reach destinations like Lynchburg, Charlottesville and Washington, D.C. where connections to frequent East Coast trains can be made.
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▲ The Blue Ridge Parkway offers spectacular views of striking mountain vistas in the vicinity of Roanoke. Courtesy of Visit Roan Courtesy of Visit Roanoke

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> Jeff and Ginny Orenstein are travel writers from Sarasota, Florida.



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▲ Three giant steam locomotives, all built in Roanoke, reside in the Virginia Museum of Transportation. The one in the center, named the Spirit of Roanoke, still pulls trains for excursions. The fascinating museum was a perfect place to spend a rainy afternoon and absorb what made the city great. Photo by Jeff Orenstein

Jewish Roanoke

While Roanoke might not be a major Jewish center, the city is more Jewish than many small to mid-sized cities in this region.

The 2010 U.S. Religious Census: Religious Congregations & Membership Study published by the Association of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies indicated Roanoke had two of the nation's 3,464 Jewish congregations — Beth Israel (Conservative) and Temple Emanuel (Reform). It also is home to a Jewish Community Council of Richmond branch and a Jewish Community Preschool, a joint effort of both congregations.

As the town grew in the 1880s, the first Jews arrived and soon created Beth Jacob congregation. Like many early congregations in the U.S., an influx of both western and eastern European immigrants eventually led to a split. In 1906, more traditional members left to start a new Conservative congregation, soon known as Beth Israel and the remaining members changed their name to Temple Emanuel.

During the boom years following World War II, Jews continued to settle in Roanoke. By 1960, there were 800 in town, although they were excluded from most social clubs and some other Roanoke organizations. The community dealt with typical antisemitism and exclusion prevalent in the U.S. at the time even though the civil rights era erased legal Jewish exclusion.

By the last fifth of the 20th century, Jews had become generally well-accepted — and active — in Roanoke's social and civic milieu. There has been some evidence of antisemitism in Roanoke since an isolated act in 1988 and during the last few years, especially after the Charlottesville incident.

Today, the Jewish population of Roanoke is just over 1,000, and both Jewish congregations remain vibrant and active and are coping with the pandemic, When Temple Emanuel underwent major renovation, Beth Israel allowed the congregation to use its space for services. The temple maintains an active sisterhood, brotherhood, and youth group.

In 2013, Beth Israel had about 160 families. The synagogue's sisterhood, men's club and youth group host a number of different social and charitable events throughout the city. In 2005, the two congregations established the Jewish Community Preschool, which is open to all children in Roanoke. This communal effort is the latest in a long history of joint activities between the two congregations.

The Taubmans are a prominent Roanoke Jewish family and Advance Auto Parts, founded by Arthur Taubman in 1932, is Roanoke's lone Fortune 500 company. Nick Taubman served as U.S. ambassador to Romania from 2005-'08. The family has been influential in Roanoke's arts community and, in 2008, it made a large donation to what is now known as the Taubman Museum of Art in downtown Roanoke.

— Jeff and Ginny Orenstein



A CALL FOR HELP

Jonathan Newman is in dire need of a new kidney – and he and his family are praying he will find an altruistic donor to save his life.

Newman, who is 39, has polycystic kidney disease (PKD), a genetic disorder that took the lives of his grandmother and great-grandmother. Fortunately his mother and maternal uncle found donors and have gone on to lead healthy lives.

Since this is a genetic problem, and not due to an illness (e.g. diabetes), a donated kidney will not be attacked, and is expected to last many years, if not the patient's full life time. It is expected that once Jonathan receives a new kidney, he will be able to lead a normal life – and enjoy every moment with his wife as they raise their young son.

Jonathan is currently listed for transplant at University of Pennsylvania and two other institutions.

For further information, please contact Jonathan Newman's father, Edward Newman at **enewman591@aol.com** or **(201) 265-2939**.

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Fraud

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as personal piggy banks for those entrusted with managing their funds," Acting U.S. Attorney Jennifer Arbittier Williams said in a statement.

Lutts, who was indicted by a grand jury on April 15, faces up to 480 years in jail, up to \$6 million in fines, up to three years of supervised release and a \$2,400 special assessment, according to the U.S. Attorney's Office. Her real and personal property also is subject to forfeiture.

As of May 24, she was in custody awaiting a detention hearing, said Jennifer Crandall, a spokesperson for the U.S. Attorney's Office. A public defender was appointed to represent Lutts.

"The usual reward of nonprofit work is personal fulfillment. not finana statement. "Lutts, however, allegedly treated these organi-

the community in the process. The FBI will pursue and hold accountable anyone foolish enough to engage in this kind of fraud."

Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia Chief Operating Officer Steven Rosenberg said "while we learned an unfortunate lesson, it's clearly a case of good triumphing over evil."

'We not only got the majority of the money back [through insurance], we chased the person down," Rosenberg said. "The paper is stable now, which is a win considering the print-journalism market. We still know the Jewish Exponent is the prominent voice of the Jewish community in Philadelphia."

Rosenberg said Lutts, who 18 years, was fired for poor and alcohol; and other items performance before the fraud from retail stores, grocery was discovered. According stores, convenience stores, cial enrichment," Michael to Rosenberg, Mike Costello, websites, restaurants and J. Driscoll, Special Agent Lutts' replacement, found a delivery services. in Charge of the FBI's fabricated bank statement in day on the job.

zations like her very own ATM, Federation consulted first money to various individuals,

shortchanging their efforts and with Frank Riehl, the latter's director of security, and then the Philadelphia Police Department.

> "As we recognized this was beyond the police department's scope, we immediately called in the FBI," Rosenberg said, adding that outside counsel and other assistance was brought in, while the insurance carrier was notified.

According to the 12-page indictment, starting in 2016 Lutts used both her personal and corporate American Express cards for a wide variety of personal expenses, including rideshare services; airline tickets; entertainment, travel and lodging; health care and exercise services; utilities; education and career services; legal services; funeral and was an Exponent employee for burial services; clothing; food

Lutts also allegedly used Philadelphia Division, said in Lutts' desk drawer on his first her personal credit cards and her corporate credit and debit The Exponent and Jewish cards to transfer company

Case 2:21-cr-00167-TJS Document 1 Filed 04/15/21 Page 1 of 13 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CRIMINAL NO. 21-÷. DATE FILED: APRIL 15, 2021 CHERYL LUTTS VIOLATIONS 18 U.S.C. § 1343 (wire fraud – 22 counts) 18 U.S.C. § 1341 (mail fraud – 2 counts) Notice of forfeiture INDICTMENT COUNTS ONE THROUGH TWELVE THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT: At all times material to this Indictmen Defendant CHERYL LUTTS was a resident of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. FirsTrust Savings Bank was a financial services corporation, headquartered in 2 Conshohocken. Pennsylvania with offices in, among other places, Horsham, Pennsylvania. 3. The American Express Company ("Amex") was a multinational financial service: corporation headquartered in New York, New York. 4. From in or around June 2016 through on or about August 13, 2019, defendan CHERYL LUTTS worked as Director of Business Operations for the Jewish Exponent, a subsidiary of the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia, a nonprofit corporation located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 5. Defendant CHERYL LUTTS' duties as Director of Business Operations for the Jewish Exponent included administering the company budget, keeping accounting journals and

▲ The first page of the indictment against former Jewish Exponent Director of Business Operations Cheryl Lutts



using PayPal and CashApp, conceal the fraud. among other methods.

Lutts prepared submitted financial reports to a variety of people including both an outside audit and tax preparation firm.

"It was a very sophisticated operation," Rosenberg said. "Nobody could have seen this. Her level of deceit was remarkable."

"We used every resource we had to determine the depth of the fraud," he continued, type of behavior ever, regardless of the amount stolen from us."

In all, the payments from the Exponent's checking account to her personal Amex cards were \$982,781. She also allegedly signed checks for \$205,977 to Amex drawn on the Exponent's checking account to pay the Exponent's credit cards.

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"For example, she provided and the Jewish Exponent's management with financial statements that did not include a balance sheet or included a balance sheet that was later determined not to match the account balances and/or the transaction reflected ... She also provided the Jewish Exponent's management with bank reconciliation statements that did not reflect the true balances."

The Exponent and Jewish adding "we will not tolerate this Federation have since installed new programs and procedures, while eliminating company credit cards, Rosenberg said.

> "Our financial control document is very, very rigid," he said. "Money does not get moved without at least three people's approval." •

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Sister

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and her uncle, Harold.

But the next line down surprised her. To Marci Goldfinger's knowledge, her father had only had two siblings, his older brother Harold and his younger sister, Ruth (Irving and Ruth were not included in the 1930 census as it predated their births). Why was there a line for an older sister named "Norma Goldfinger?"

Marci Goldfinger called up her father, and asked him that question. He was silent for a while.

"That must be the name of my sister," he finally answered.

Irving Goldfinger, 88, was a child when he first learned about the existence of an older sister, one who died before he was born. It was something he heard by accident, secretive grown-up talk that a child hears in passing. When his parents died in 1990, Irving Goldfinger had never asked them about what he was sure he'd heard once, decades before.

And even after Marci Goldfinger turned up the name "Norma" in 2012 — the first time Irving Goldfinger put a name to an idea - he didn't know what to do with the information. It was only after watching a "Sunday Morning" segment in the fall of 2020 about the desecration of a Black cemetery that it clicked for him: He needed to find Norma.

He wasn't sure how he was going to do it. The pandemic was entering its most deadly stage, keeping him isolated at home in Richboro, and he did not use the internet. But he felt more than a compulsion to try. He felt a responsibility.

"Life is important," Irving Goldfinger said. "To some people in the world today, life is not important. Life is want to honor her."

Irving Goldfinger was born recognized." in 1932. Sadie Goldfinger, a born Philadelphian, was at records requests, searching and the likelihood of being able

in Poland, was a cutter for J. the level of foreman.

Irving Goldfinger graduated from Central High School before earning an accounting degree from Temple University. In 1956, just a few years out from Temple, Goldfinger married Estelle Miller, and the two were married until her death on Dec. 1, 2018, their 62nd anniversary. They had two daughters together, Marci Goldfinger, of Chalfont, who works for Johnson & Johnson, and Susan Goldfinger Bilker, of Jamison, a licensed clinical social worker.

For 50 years, Irving Goldfinger earned a living as a CPA, specializing in fraud analysis.

"I learned early: Where there's smoke, there's fire," he said. "You could smell it." He was a partner at Laventhol & Horwath for 23 years, which came to a crashing end in 1990 when the company Poland. The burial date: Aug. filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy, according to the Chicago Tribune archives.

parents died and they took Irving Goldfinger was told that in any information about Irving 1931, there was such an influx of Goldfinger's sister with them bodies due to a wave of influenza to the family plot in Roosevelt that the cemetery was "overrun." Memorial Park.

"It was boom, boom, boom," Susan Goldfinger Bilker said. "It was rough for him." In the fall of 2020, when Goldfinger informed his daughters of his intentions to find his older sister, they could see how freighted with meaning the search would become.

him," Marci Goldfinger said, found her."

In October, with help from his daughters, Irving Goldfinger the family paid for the full file decided that it was finally time on Norma from the Medical to find some facts, and more Examiner's Office in Philadelphia. specifically, to find Norma.

"She was alive, she was important. She existed. And I a person," he said, his voice cracking. "And she is not being been lost in a flood.

home with her children, and for traces of Norma in the Abraham Goldfinger, born archives of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania. Having found Maimon & Sons, a clothing Norma's date of death – Aug. company, eventually rising to 13, 1931 - they were able to file with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for her death certificate. In October, they received a copy.

Norma Goldfinger was born on Sept. 21, 1929, and died at the age of 23 months, with the cause listed as "diabetes acidosis with coma." Her father's name is misstated as "Albert" — that was his nickname - and his place of birth is incorrectly listed as Russia, rather than

to place a stone on Norma's grave can seem dim. But her father always had a mind for details, and he remains a sharp thinker. "It would be a wonderful thing, to be able to honor her and to be able to say yizkor and do all the things that you should do for family."

Irving Goldfinger is distraught that his search is taking so long, but he is persisting with the help of his daughters. As he said, where there's smoke, there's fire. And he believes there's an awful lot of smoke.

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V "Life is important. To some people in the world today, life is not important. Life is important. She existed. And I want to honor her."

IRVING GOLDFINGER

14. The cemetery: Har Jehuda.

They called Har Jehuda, who told the trio that there was no That same year, both of his record of a Norma Goldfinger. They decided to widen their pool, calling the undertaker company listed on the death certificate, Mount Jacob Cemetery, Mount Sharon Cemetery and King David Memorial Park, but they had no luck getting any closer to Norma.

Goldfinger asked Rabbi Charles Briskin of "This has been a quest for Congregation Shir Ami to make some calls on his behalf: "and it would be a relief that we Briskin obliged, but could turn up no new information.

Hoping for something more, The money was returned with a letter, letting them know that records from that time period had

"Time is ticking," Susan The trio began to file Goldfinger Bikler acknowledged,



Truth Is, Israel Has Right to Exist



BY YONI ARI

rockets exploded above my head as I was lying on the asphalt, face-down, covering my head with my arms. Less than a mile away, a rocket smashed down on a less fortunate Israeli. He died on the spot as deafening sirens screamed all around the truly understand the right of Israel to defend itself.

ago to visit my daughter, who over 4,000 rockets at Israeli decided to enlist to the IDF. cities and civilians; 4,000 She started basic training, and missiles and mortar shells were my plan was to go back to sent to kill Israeli civilians, Philly the following week. My both Arab and Jewish.

flight was canceled, and I was in a war zone.

Fortunately enough, I was staying north of Tel Aviv. In my case, I had 90 seconds to get to the bomb shelter. Others not as fortunate had only 15 seconds. I had to get to the bomb shelter five times with my nephews, who are only 3 and 5 years old. To see them wakening up terrified to sirens in the middle of the night was horrifying.

LAST WEEK DOZENS of Israeli who lived in Sderot. Eleven days ago, Ido and his family managed to reach their bomb shelter within 15 seconds of hearing the sirens, but it was not enough. The rocket hit the building next to his, and shrapnel pierced through the safe room, killing city. When you feel the fear, you Ido, and wounding his mother and 7-year-old sister.

Over 11 days, the terror I came to Israel two weeks organization Hamas launched

I am not writing these words to elicit pity. If you know Israelis you know we are strong people. Unfortunately, we have been through worse, and these attacks only bring us closer together. I am not writing to explain the attack in Gaza, either. Israel is a sovereign state with a responsibility and moral obligation to defend its citizens from attacks and threats.

I am writing these words Ido Avigal was a 5-year-old because I see so much misinformation. People who call themselves influencers use this "power" to dehumanize my fellow Israelis and me. They try to hide the truth of the vicious methods and goals of our attackers.

> Yes, the situation in the Gaza Strip is bad, really bad, not only during the last few days, but for many years. The density, the poverty, the corruption and the entire way of life are gruesome. The vicious cycle of fighting has brought only misery to the Palestinian people living in Gaza.

With all that being said, rockets fired into Israel cannot

be white-washed into an act community has to actively justification for blind attempts to murder civilians. As an Israeli who has lived through this conflict, I understand the pain and despair, but blind terror cannot be justified.

This is the time for the Jewish community to come together and support Israel's right to defend itself and to exist. Last week, more than 200 people came together to rally for unity and peace in Israel amid barrages of rockets fired at Israeli civilians. They marched from the Philadelphia Museum of Art to the Holocaust Memorial Plaza, organized by the Israeli-American Council in a day. It began with the distribution of "Israel is Under Attack" and "I Stand with Israel" posters, Israeli flags and stickers. This week, with the support of so many organization and 700 people, we stood under the Israeli flag, standing for Israel and against antisemitism.

American-Jewish Council. The

of righteousness. There is no counter false information from social media and mainstream news. The IAC has tools to educate all ages about the conflict, antisemitism and how to take an active role in defending Israel.

A week ago, while I was lying flat on the asphalt trying to avoid being struck by a rocket, millions of Israeli citizens were in shelters. Others, like Ido Avigal z"l, were killed or wounded. A lot of loss, suffering and destruction simultaneously happened across the border in the Gaza Strip.

Now, as in the past, I hope for more peaceful times and a time where people share more optimism and opportunities for us to connect instead of dehumanizing and promoting hatred. I hope to see the Jewish community stand up for Israel and share the truth without fear.

Yoni Ari is regional director of Philadelphia's Israeli-American

How Could Rabbinical Students Ignore Israel's Right to Defend Itself?



BY RABBI EREZ SHERMAN

I WAS AGHAST to read a letter signed by close to 100 rabbinical students — future leaders of the Jewish community who will serve in pulpits, on college campuses and within Jewish organizations - which shamefully ignores Israel's right, let

houses of study both in New me greatly to see the lack of support and understanding of Israel from these students. I would like to address their points directly.

You claim that our tears must be directed to injustices. But where are your tears for the millions of Israeli civilians -Jews, Muslims and Christians — who have been huddled in bomb shelters because a terrorist group has rained nearly 3,000 rockets on them?

Where are your tears for the residents of Kibbutz Aza, Netivot and Sderot, who have been terrorized by those same rockets ever since Israel evacualone duty, to defend her citizens. ated Gaza more than 15 years

As a rabbi who sat in those ago? Visit their communities and 70 CE, when the Jewish where for years balloons have York and in Jerusalem, it pains floated over the border for children to run after, soon to find out the string was attached to an explosive to inflict harm.

> Instead, you seem embarrassed that Israel has been forced to have an army strong enough to defend its inhabitants. Here is the simple truth, quoting Rabbi David Wolpe, that you blatantly ignored: "If Hamas stopped raining rockets on Israel, it would be over. If Israel stopped defending and retaliating, it would be slaughter."

You ask that when we teach, we should teach about the "human beings who didn't ask for new neighbors." For this I ask you to return to your classrooms and review the dates of 586 BCE

Temples of Jerusalem were destroyed. Rather than being a "new neighbor," the Jewish presence in Israel is ancient. Please also review your modern Israeli history, with momentous dates of 1929, 1948, 1967, 1973, 1982, 2007, 2009, 2014 and 2021, when our presence as an ancient neighbor was not just a nuisance but a necessary evil to uproot.

And please review the multiple offers of peace which were not only rejected without counteroffers, but were met with more death and destruction, bus bombings, stabbings and other violence against the Jewish people.

You ask that when we vote, not to vote for leaders who fund violence. Please review

once again that it was the bi-partisanship from both sides of the aisle that funded the modern military miracle of the Iron Dome, which has saved thousands of lives.

You ask how we as Jews who were involved with racial reckoning in our communities this past year are not using our voices now to implicate Israel with racist violence. Racist? From the one country in the Middle East that has embraced more than 100 different nationalities and where Muslims have the most amount of freedom, rights and educational opportunities in the region? Where Israeli Arabs sit on the Supreme Court and in the government

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Jewish Americans Deserve Hate Crime Protection, Too



BY DOV ZAKHEIM

ON MAY 20, President Joe Biden signed the COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act, which had been passed overwhelmingly by both houses of Congress. The act was a forceful response to the disgraceful attacks on Asian Americans by bigots who blamed them for the COVID-19 pandemic, which had originated in China. In passing the act, members of both parties in the House and Senate demonstrated that they can do the right thing, at least once in a while.

Nothing of the sort appears to be contemplated in response to the attacks by Palestinian sympathizers on Jewish-American persons, synagogues and restaurants during and after the latest Israel-Hamas conflict. In Los Angeles, pro-Palestinian attackers threw punches and bottles at diners at a kosher sushi restaurant. In New York's heavily Jewish Diamond District, Palestinian supporters threw fireworks at Jews from a car amid a violent street altercation. Hamas supporters also beat a Jewish man in New York's Times Square, sending him to hospital with severe injuries. They threatened Jewish residents in a heavily Jewish Miami neighborhood. Video surveillance at Chicago's Persian Hebrew Congregation, which was defaced by attackers, captured two people, one carrying a stick and another holding a sign that read "Freedom for Palestine."

In each of these cases, and others, the pro-Palestinian Congressional inaction is that attackers had no idea whether their Jewish targets were supporters of Israel. Indeed, polls have shown that a majority of Jewish Americans support the blatantly antisemitic tweets. creation of a Palestinian state alongside the state of Israel. No matter. Those who support the did consider a draft measure Palestinian cause attacked their victims merely because they were Jews. In so doing, they confirmed that their hatred of Israel extends to all Jews everywhere, as indeed, Hamas has made clear in its own charter.

All told, the Anti-Defamation League has reported at least 200 possible antisemitic incidents in the United States since the onset of the fighting between Israel and Hamas. Nevertheless, despite the ongoing upsurge in attacks on Jews who dress in black suits, David necklace — the leadership hate crimes. of the Democratic-controlled Congress has done virtually nothing to condemn the attacks, much less legislate against them.

One reason for Congressional inaction is that the pro-Palestinian attackers have the support of the so-called progressive Democratic Left. Democrats in the House have a five-seat majority, while the ultra-Left "squad," which is blatantly anti-Israel and pro-Palestinian, now boasts six members. While U.S. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez at least has tweeted her condemnation of anti-Jewish attacks, several of her squad colleagues have not Dov S. Zakheim served as the even gone that far. Not surprisingly, therefore, Speaker Nancy Pelosi cannot afford to alienate these progressives by pressing for legislation that would bring into sharper focus attacks on Jews by Palestinian sympathizers.

Another reason for Democrats are reluctant to criticize some of their own progressive legislators, even when the likes of U.S. Rep. Ilhan Omar issue Indeed, in the aftermath of one such tweet, the House actually condemn antisemitism. to Nevertheless, under pressure from progressives, the Democratic House leadership watered the measure down so that in its final form it included not only antisemitism, but also Islamophobia and discrimination against Latinos, Asian Americans, Muslims, Hindus, Sikhs, Pacific Islanders, Native Americans, immigrants and the LGBTQ community. That the resolution had been rendered entirely meaningless is evidenced Jews, especially against so-called by the fact that despite its having visible Jews - that is, bearded included Asian Americans, Congress recognized the need for or merely Jews who will sport a separate legislation geared solely small yarmulke or wear a star of toward anti-Asian bigotry and

Democrats are fond of Congress has done little more pointing out the cowardice than issue sympathetic tweets. of those of their Republican colleagues, who slavishly support Donald Trump and all that he stands for. They are right to do so. On the other hand, it is high time that Democrats showed some courage of their own. They should put an end to their own cowardly appeasement of an increasingly belligerent left, and finally pass legislation that would severely punish those who would verbally and physically abuse their fellow Americans simply because they happen to be Jewish.

> undersecretary of defense and chief financial officer for the Department of Defense from 2001–2004 and as the deputy undersecretary of defense from 1985–1987. He is vice chairman of the Center for the National Interest.

KVETCH 'N' KVELL

Israel Must Preserve Conditions for Future **Two-State Solution**

IN RESPONSE TO Curtis Pontz's thoughtful op-ed in the May 13 edition, you had me at "Peace a Dream Until Palestinians Accept Israel's Legitimacy." You express confidence "that once the Palestinians accept the Jewish people's right to their own nation, which means agreeing to share the land of Palestine with the Jews, the great majority of Israeli Jews will fall in line with Palestinian aspirations for nationhood ..."

For many years, I expressed the same point of view, describing such acceptance as the Palestinians' version of former Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's transformative trip to Jerusalem in 1977. To be honest, though, today I also worry about Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's often-repeated pledge that a Palestinian state will never arise so long as he is in power. His Likud Party, the dominant political force in Israel today, is officially opposed to Palestinian statehood. Shouldn't acceptance of national legitimacy go both ways?

And what of the settlement project, which has relocated hundreds of thousands of Israeli Jews into the heart of the West Bank (Judea and Samaria)? I am concerned that if the Palestinian Sadat moment comes — whether next month, or next year, or in another generation — there will be no land on which Palestinians will be able to realize their aspirations for nationhood.

That is why I strongly believe Israel would be well served to preserve the conditions for a future negotiated two-state outcome. Without a change in its settlement policy, Israel's character as a majority Jewish and democratic state is gravely at risk.

Martin J. Raffel | Langhorne

Hamas' Goal: Forcing Israel to Respond

No commentator has remarked on the idea that Hamas is responsible for the deaths in Gaza, but here's a thought: Hamas knows that with their first rocket aimed at Israel there will be a massive response, as Israel has a right to defend itself, and the only way to stop the Hamas rockets it to retaliate.

If Hamas knows that Israel will respond with aircraft and bombs, Hamas could choose to refrain from sending rockets to Israel. By sending rockets, Hamas invites the Israeli aircraft to come to Gaza. Hamas shares responsibility for the deaths in Gaza.

David Broida | Bryn Mawr

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Spring Baking — Lighter, Fresher Flavors Prevail

FOOD

KERI WHITE LIE FOOD COLUMNIST

AS SPRING BLOSSOMS, we naturally gravitate toward lighter, fresher flavors.

I begin to move from the heavier, deeper pumpkin, chocolate and caramel recipes to citrus and coconut desserts. No, these are not "light" in the sense of diet, fat or calories, but they feel more seasonal as the weather warms.

The coconut cake was a gift to a friend for his birthday — we planned to surprise him with a small group of vaccinated friends at my house for dinner, and his partner informed me that a white coconut cake was his favorite. I looked at a number of different recipes and eventually came up with this

one, which uses coconut ingredients in both the cake and the icing, and also uses coconut extract. If you can't find the extract, you can use a vanilla or almond in its place.

This can easily be made pareve with the use of coconut oil, margarine or other nondairy option in the place of the butter/cream cheese. The cake uses only the egg whites, but don't toss the yolks; make lemon or lime curd, custard, crème brulee, flan or a rich omelet, frittata or scramble.

- Cake:
- 5 eaa whites
- ³/₄ cup unsweetened
- coconut milk
- 1 stick butter, softened
- 1/4 cup coconut oil





▲ Coconut cake

- 1 ³⁄₄ cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon coconut extract (or 1 teaspoon vanilla and/or 1/2 teaspoon almond extract)
- 2¹/₂ cups cake flour
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- ¹/₂ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup shredded sweetened coconut

Icing:

- 1 stick butter, softened
- 1 8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
- ¹⁄₄ cup coconut oil
- 5 cups powdered sugar 1/4 cup unsweetened
- coconut cream
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon coconut extract

Topping:

2 cups shredded sweetened coconut

Heat your oven to 350 degrees F. Spray two pans with cooking oil and line them with parchment; spray the parchment. Set the pans aside.

Whisk the egg whites and coconut milk until combined; set aside. Mix the dry ingredients in a medium bowl; set aside.

In a mixing bowl, beat the butter, coconut oil, sugar and extracts for about a minute. Slowly add the dry ingredients until they are just mixed. Add in the egg white mixture and beat it for about 2 minutes. mix until just combined.

Pour the batter into the pans, dividing evenly, and bake for 25 minutes, or until done, when the edges and surface are starting to turn a bit golden and/or a toothpick sides of the cake.

comes out clean and/or the cake springs back when lightly pressed. Cool the cakes completely and remove them from the pans.

For the icing, blend the butter, cream cheese and coconut oil until fluffy. Slowly add powdered sugar and coconut cream until smooth. Add the extract and mix well. If the icing is too "dry," vou can add some more coconut cream or coconut milk a tablespoon at a time until the desired consistency is achieved.

When the cake is completely Add the shredded coconut and cool, ice the bottom layer of the cake, sprinkle it with 1/2 cup flaked coconut, then place the top layer on and ice the entire cake. Using your hands, gently place and lightly press the rest of the coconut on the top and

LIFESTYLE/CULTURE

LEMON CHIA SEED MUFFINS Makes 12 muffins

A friend sent me a recipe for lemon poppy seed muffins with lemon-rose glaze that she highly recommended.

Ever grateful for the recs of baking friends, I checked out the recipe — and planned to make it — though I was going to skip the rose water in the glaze. That's one of those love it or hate it ingredients; I always feel like I should be schmearing it on my skin or pouring it in a bath.

I had the batter part of the way done when I realized that the bag of what I thought was poppy seeds in my pantry was actually chia seeds. So that was a bit of a glitch ... or was it?

I did some research and found that many reputable cooks use poppy and chia seeds interchangeably. An rous. So, going forward, I will



▲ Lemon chia seed muffins

one of those alleged superfoods recipes call for poppy and tell loaded with fiber, calcium, myself that my muffins and magnesium and phospho- cakes are healthy!

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added benefit: Chia seeds are probably use chia seeds when

The version below is dairy,

but can easily be made pareve by swapping nondairy milk for the buttermilk. These cook at a slightly lower temperature than many other baked goods. I am not sure of the science behind that move, but you can't argue with the results. And if you wish to bring the rose water flavor in as the original version suggested, simply add a half teaspoon to the glaze.

For the muffins:

- ³⁄₄ cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon lemon zest
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon
- iuice
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup oil (canola or vegetable)
- 1/2 cup buttermilk
- 1¹/₄ cup flour
- ¹⁄₄ teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 teaspoons chia seeds

For the glaze:

1¹/₂ cups powdered sugar 3 tablespoons fresh lemon iuice

Heat your oven to 325 degrees F. Line a muffin tin with paper muffin cups or spray the pan well with oil.

In a medium bowl, mix the sugar with the lemon zest. Whisk in the eggs, oil, milk and lemon juice. Add the flour, salt, baking powder and baking soda; mix until smooth. Add the chia seeds and stir until iust blended.

Pour the batter into the muffin cups and bake for 18-22 minutes until done the center of the muffin will spring back when pressed. Cool completely. To glaze, mix the sugar with the lemon juice until smooth. Drizzle over the cooled muffins.

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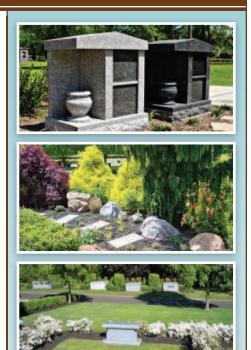
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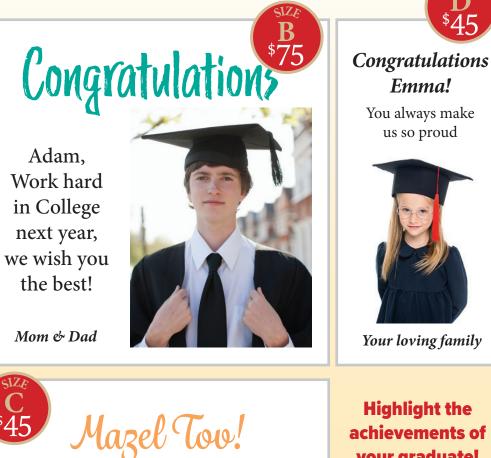
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Cantata Explores 1790 Letter Still Relevant Today

MUSIC

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CONSIDERING THAT Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel's 1856 constitution announces that "our services will be uplifted with an organ and a well trained choir," it's not surprising that music has played a key role in the synagogue's 174-year history.

And music once again is front and center at 7 p.m. on June 2 when the Elkins Park-based synagogue presents a free virtual performance of "To Bigotry No Sanction," which was previously recorded. The cantata, which was first performed by KI in 2017, is based on President George Washington's Aug. 21, 1790 letter to the Jews of Newport, Rhode Island. The letter is on Museum of American Jewish History.

The letter was Washington's response to a letter Hebrew Congregation of Newport leader Moses Seixas sent him shortly after his inauguration.

The piece's name is drawn from a famous line from Washington's letter: " ... the the last words of the piece, friend and former classmate --Government of the United States, which gives to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance ... "

For Cantor Jonathan Comisar, who composed "To Bigotry No Sanction," Washington's message is timely, especially in era of increasing antisemitism and general intolerance.

the letter was still ensconced in history," he said. "As events unfolded in 2017 and through the last four years, it's no longer ensconced in history. ... The letter's message speaks loudly and compellingly right now."

New York-based Comisar, who teaches arranging and College, said the cantata



▲ Cantor Amy Levy (front center) and the multicultural choir

such as fife and drum, which most important. are commonly associated with the American Revolution.

The production features multicultural choir and а Philadelphia Orchestra members. Kensho Watanabe, the orchestra's former assistant conductor, served as conductor.

In addition to Hebrew, 17 display at times at the National languages are included in the cantata hits the mark in recogproduction — and that total of nizing the importance of 18 is no accident, as it represents the letter. the spiritually important chai.

> the languages are in a counterpoint of cacophony," he said, calling it the production's most beautiful moment.

noting that the final impresburied in Washington's letter, than just beautiful music. are "if we have wisdom."

both haunt and give me hope," he said. "That is the great question of the day."

"When I started this project, an introduction by George Washington himself — as played by Dean Malissa of Huntingdon Valley, an historical interpretive actor, who recently retired after nearly two in Virginia.

Malissa, 68, is intimately composition at Hebrew Union familiar with Washington's on Vimeo at bit.ly/ki-tbns. • vast trove of written material includes both Jewish and and includes the 1790 letter agotlieb@jewishexponent.com; American elements in the piece, among the first president's 215-832-0797

"On the issue of religious freedom, this ranks No. 1. There's no clearer statement by Washington," he said, pointing to its significance today. "If vou read the words, vou would think the ink is still wet."

Malissa, who is Jewish and grew up attending KI, said the

"I was particularly impressed "There's a moment where all by its ability to capture the enlightenment of our founders, especially Washington," he said.

KI Cantor Amy E. Levy, who originally commissioned Comisar also took care with the cantata from Comisar -aand performs a solo, is hopeful sion is important. Those final that those who view the perforwords, taken from a phrase mance will take away more

"We hope this enlightens "Those are the words that people and opens their minds," she said.

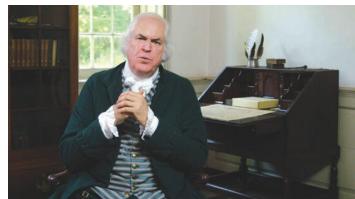
After the event, Comisar and KI Rabbi Lance Sussman will The program features engage in a conversation moderated by filmmaker Sam Katz of History Making Productions, who shot the original performance in 2018 at the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia.

More than 30 Jewish organidecades of playing the nation's zations in the Philadelphia area first president at Mount Vernon and beyond have signed on as partners for the event.

The performance is available



▲ Kensho Watanabe conducts "To Bigotry No Sanction."



▲ Dean Malissa as George Washington

Three photos by Kevin Quinn



Cantata composer Cantor Jonathan Comisar at the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia, where the performance of "To Bigotry No Sanction" was filmed Photo by Jens Bungardt

Barnes Show Emphasizes Jewish Painter's Influence

ART

ELEANOR LINAFELT | CONTRIBUTING WRITER

THE FIRST PAINTINGS one sees upon entering "Soutine / de Kooning: Conversations in Paint," on view at the Barnes Foundation are Chaïm Soutine's "View of the Village," a distorted landscape with bright oranges, dark greens and thick, angular lines, and Willem de Kooning's "Composition," a larger abstract piece with large swaths of vibrant orange interrupted by sweeping multicolored brushstrokes.

These artworks are an excellent introduction to the exhibition, organized by the Barnes and Musées d'Orsav et de l'Orangerie in Paris, which highlights the affinities between the two artists. While Soutine's painting is smaller, the similarities between their styles are immediately clear.

"What links these two of paint and the way they are able to create these intense and tactile images," Simonetta Fraquelli, the exhibit's co-curator and consultant curator for the Barnes Foundation, centered around the theme said. "They're almost three-dimensional objects in terms of the way that the paint is so lush and expressive."

The stylistic connection between the artists is not coincidental; though they never met, de Kooning saw Soutine's work multiple times, including on a visit to the Barnes in 1952, and wrote about the influence that the older artist had on him.

Soutine was born in a shtetl in the Minsk region of western Russia (present-day Belarus) in 1893 to a Jewish tailor. He started drawing at a young age and was met with opposition from his community for defying the Talmudic prohibition of graven images.

at an academy in present-day Vilnius, Lithuania, which accepted Jews, and where he learned about Russian art and avant-garde movements. In 1913, he moved to Paris where he met other Jewish artists including Marc Chagall, Ossip Zadkine and Amedeo Modigliani.

It wasn't until 1922, when Albert Barnes, the founder of the Barnes Foundation, bought 52 paintings by Soutine for his Philadelphia collection that the artist's career began to take off. Barnes was critical in bringing Soutine's work to an American audience.

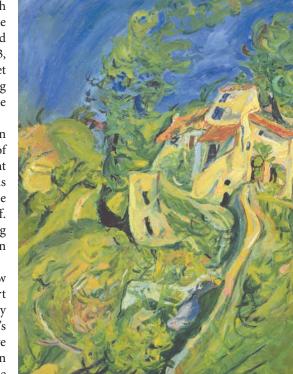
De Kooning first saw Soutine's work in New York art galleries, and was particularly struck by the older painter's landmark 1950 retrospective at the Museum of Modern Art. The second room of the "Soutine / de Kooning" exhibidarker and more figurative, tion is entirely devoted to paintings by Soutine that were included in the retrospective.

"I wanted to emphasize how artists specifically is their use de Kooning would have seen Four of Soutine's grotesque these works and the kind of impact it would have had on him to see all those Soutines together," Fraquelli said.

> The following room, "Between the Figurative and Fraquelli made the decision to the Abstract," highlights one hang the artists' paintings on specific influence that Soutine opposite walls to avoid drawing had on de Kooning.

> In the 1950s, de Kooning between them. was searching for a way to work beyond the pure abstraction that different periods who were was popular with New York artists at the time. He found inspiration in Soutine's work, which straddled she said. the line between the figurative and abstract, distorting the people and landscapes it depicted. The de Kooning artworks in this room, including his famous Woman paintings, also reflect this tension.

While "Soutine / de Kooning" successfully draws making Soutine's influence on out the parallels between the de Kooning undeniable. two artists, it also maintains their differences, which are Conversations in Paint" is on As a teenager, Soutine studied most evident in the final room. view until Aug. 8.



▲ Landscape, c. 1922–24

Oil on canvas, 36 1/4 × 259/16 in. (92 × 65 cm) Musée de l'Orangerie, Paris. Jean Walter and Paul Guillaume Collection. Artwork © 2021 Artist Rights Society (ARS). New York Image © Peter Willi / Bridgeman Images.

and dark paintings of animal carcasses hang on one wall, while three large, bright, abstract de Koonings make up the rest of the room.

Throughout the show, overtly direct comparisons

"They were two artists from painting in a different scale and a slightly different way,"

Ultimately, the paintings that Fraquelli and her co-curator, Claire Bernardi, chief curator of paintings at Musée d'Orsay, chose uphold how extraordinary both artists were in their own rights, while still

"Soutine / de Kooning:



▲ The Communicant (The Bride), c. 1924 Oil on canvas, 321/8 × 183/4 in, (81.6 × 47.6 cm) The Lewis Collection. Artwork © 2021 Artist Rights Society (ARS). New York. Image © 2015 Christie's Images Limited.



Chaïm Soutine with a chicken hanging in front of a broken brick wall, Le Blanc, France, 1927 Courtesy of Klüver/Martin Archive



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The Diller Digest: Meet Teen Fellow Jordan Rosh

THOUGH SHE IS ONLY 17, Jordan Rosh has been on an ongoing journey of self-discovery. Deeply introspective and philosophical, the Central High School junior attributes her past year in the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia's Diller Teen Fellows program, a leadership experience for 10th and 11th grade students, as a major stepping stone in cultivating her Jewish identity.

Along the way of this self-exploration, Rosh has also made a lot of new friends, both locally and globally.

Rosh recommends the year-long program for all teens who are looking for engaging conversation and speakers, meaningful reflection, peer-to-peer socializing, a family-like cohort of friends and more.

"Being in Diller gives you an incredible community, leadership and communication skills," said Rosh, a 2020-2021 Diller Teen Fellow graduate. "The program gives you support and guidance in developing a project that has personal significance to you, the opportunity to meet people from Israel and to visit Israel, access to a network of Jewish leaders and communities, and really just a space to learn more about yourself and grow."

We spoke with Rosh to learn more about her and her experience with the Diller Teen Fellows.

What do you want to be when you grow up?

I'm not sure, but I want my career to revolve around supporting people in some way.

- What's a fun fact or two about you?
- 1. I went as Vanellope von Schweetz for two Halloweens in a row.
- 2. I wrote a (terrible) song when I was 3-years-old called "Birdies in the Nest."

Where did you begin your Jewish identity journey with Diller Teen Fellows, and where are you now?

Coming into Diller, my identity had been primarily shaped by my experiences as an Asian Jew and by my perspective growing up in a family that emphasized Jewish culture and community rather than faith.

Since then, I have grown a lot; hearing tons of unique perspectives, such as those featured in our cohort staff leader Darren Rabinowitz's presentations, those of guest speakers, and especially those of my peers, has broadened and deepened my understanding of the larger context my own identity resides in.

We spend a lot of time reflecting on both old and new knowledge, and through these reflections, I feel that the parts of my identity I already had have become much clearer, and as I incorporate new knowledge into my identity, it has become much more multifaceted and cohesive.

What is the most important thing you learned from the Diller Teen Fellows program?

The most important thing I've learned through Diller is how to understand and use the power my Jewish experience holds. That's a ridiculously broad and vague answer, but I think before Diller I didn't really know how my Jewish identity played into my larger identity or how it could help me create change in the world. Everything we do in Diller, from just discussing our ideas and experiences with each other to developing our tikkun olam projects has taught me to acknowledge and explore my Jewish identity, and ultimately how to use my knowledge to do meaningful work.

Applications for the 2021-2022 Diller Teen Fellows program are now open through June 25. To apply or to nominate a teen for this year's cohort, visit jewishphilly. org/diller. For more information about Diller Teen, please contact Darren Rabinowitz, Diller Teen coordinator, at drabinowitz@ jewishphilly.org.



▲ Jordan Rosh explored her Jewish identity, gained leadership experience and made a community of friends through the Diller Teen Fellows program. Courtesy of Jordan Rosh

Why Philly Fellows Love Diller Teen





If you want to learn more about who you are Jewishly and non-Jewishly, if you want to make new friends from all different backgrounds and all different places, if you want to visit Israel, a home to so many, if you aspire to one day change the world, then Diller is for you. MAX GOLDMAN. 16

Through Diller, I have found a group of teens my age that I relate to. This has helped me learn so much about not just Judaism, but also things that go along with Judaism, like social justice, the environment and so much more. Diller Teen has definitely helped me learn, grow and connect with my Jewish identity.

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The Levites Go Back to School

BY RABBI TZVI SINENSKY

Parshat Beha'alotcha

AT WHAT AGE do Levites begin serving in the tabernacle? The early chapters of the book of Bamidbar provide contradictory answers to this seemingly straightforward question. In Parshat Naso (4:3), Moses charges the Levites to serve from ages 30 to 50, yet in Parshat Beha'alotcha (8:24) he instructs them to begin at age 25.

Which is correct?

Drawing on textual cues, as well as the Talmud and midrash, Rashi (to 8:24) answers that while the Levites only started working when they were 30, at age 25 they began to prepare for their service by studying the Temple laws.

Rashi's solution is perplexing: Why were all Levites required to study the same content for five full years? After all, members of the tribe the tabernacle: Some played instruments as the sacrifices were offered, another group stood guard at the front gates and yet others disassembled, carried and reassembled

majority of the "course content" was of no practical relevance to most Levites, why were they all required to dedicate five years to learning so much material?

We can better understand Rashi's reasoning by examining an analogous text that appears "Ethics of the Fathers." in The Mishnah (5:21) teaches that a child begins studying Bible at age 5, Mishnah at 10 and Talmud at 15. A similar question begs itself: Isn't this overly rigid? Why such a standardized curriculum?

In his commentary to "Ethics of the Fathers," Rabbi Judah Loew ben Bezalel, the famed Maharal of Prague (1525-1609), explains that the Mishnah is not it is not enough for one to merely recommending developmentally appropriate ages for the study of different sections Levite must first achieve a of Torah, but that each course comprehensive understanding programs recall the familiar of study serves as a foundation for the next.

comprehend the fundamentals and how the Levites helped lacks a broad knowledge of the oral law cannot properly assess the reasoning and application of those laws to new

the building and each time scenarios, a central component traditions were the Levites suffused with warmth and the nation journeyed. If the of Talmud study, which is the most advanced of the three.

> And it is not just a question of a student's ability to master increasingly complex subjects. Broad curricular exposure is also essential to a student's sense of personal identity. The Bible and oral law provide her with a historical and conceptual matrix in which she can locate herself. Only after being firmly anchored within these canonical texts can a student proceed to more specialized courses of study.

In requiring all qualified Levites to study the same subject matter for a full five years, Rashi suggests a similar principle. To serve as a Levite, acquire knowledge of one's own tasks in the Temple. The of the various roles that Levites played, how the Levites' roles A student who does not interacted with one another common translation of this were assigned discrete tasks in know the Bible cannot properly and with that of the priests, of the oral law, and one who to ensure the overall impact of the Tabernacle on God, the Jewish people, and humanity.

> Only from a position of deep immersion in the relevant place in a joyous environment Classical Academy in Bryn Mawr.

prepared to accept the mantle individual attention. of Temple service.

This model of learning exists more broadly in the Western tradition. Greece and Rome offered a parallel model of education, best known as the trivium and quadrivium. The former consisted of grammar, rhetoric, and logic, and the latter of arithmetic, astronomy, music, and geometry. The trivium provided a conceptual foundation for the quadrivium, and students were expected to complete all seven courses of study before specializing in a particular area, or moving on to study philosophy.

This was the basis for the liberal arts curriculum that was widespread in the medieval period, and that remains an important model for many curricula to this day.

These wide-ranging study maxim, "Hanokh la-na'ar al pi darko" (Proverbs 22:6). The verse, "Educate a youngster according to his own path," is a foundational principle of Jewish education today, and for good reason. Learning should be individualized, and must take

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But the Levites' educational model urges us to go further. According to the overwhelming majority of classical commentators, the literal translation of the verse in Proverbs is not "according to his own path," but "in the way that he should proceed."

Proverbs, like Bamidbar, reminds us that individualized instruction is necessary but not sufficient. It must be rooted in an abiding belief in the capacity of each child, a firm set of deeply-seated values, and the conviction that a broadbased education provides not just the intellectual foundation, but also a firm anchor for personal identity that so many of our young people are seeking elsewhere.

By instructing each child in "the way that he should proceed," we give our children the best opportunity to fulfill the conclusion of the verse in Proverbs: "Even in old age he will not swerve from it." •

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and run hospitals?

Before you jump to the "racist" slur, talk to the Black pastor of Faithful Central Bible Church in Inglewood, California, a leader in the black community, who was aghast at the thousands of bombs raining on Israeli civilians and who wrote this to me: "I am shocked and saddened. My community prays with you."

We at Sinai Temple stood with his community last June during the racial protests, and he is with us now. He has spoken from our pulpit on MLK Shabbat year after Let us also not deny the reality

my synagogue and in his church. I urge you to speak to pastors and other faith leaders outside of your their support of Israel, a support rather than schools. that is hardly "blind."

need to look at the realities we have been denying, allow ourselves to feel the hurt, and build from there."

I completely agree — let us begin together with the reality that the state of Israel has not just the right, but the responsibility to defend its citizens.

year, and he has spoken about the that the biggest enemies of the importance of defending Israel, in Palestinian people have been their corrupt, Jew-hating leaders, who use Israel as a scapegoat for their failures, endanger the community who understand the lives of their own people and, in dangers facing Israel. Learn from Gaza, build rockets and tunnels

My aunt and uncle made Finally, you conclude: "We aliyah in 1967. They were studying abroad in Jerusalem when the Six-Day War broke out. They witnessed the Torah scrolls reaching the Kotel for the first time in 2000 years and decided they would never leave.

And today, on that Shavuot anniversary, we read of rabbinical students not willing to

We live in the United States right. of America, a free country with a wide marketplace of ideas. When I returned from a recent trip to Israel where we met Israelis and Palestinians, I penned a column entitled, "It's Complicated." I came back with more questions than answers. I have never pretended that Israel is a perfect country. Just like the United States, it has plenty of flaws and serious and complicated problems and challenges.

But "complicated" does not mean we cannot support Israel and her right to defend itself. make that same commitment If anything, it means we must

to the miraculous Jewish state. support that very basic human

Shivim panim latorah there are 70 faces and different interpretations of the Torah. But there is only one Israel. Especially while its people are huddling in bomb shelters, we ought not abandon her.

Rabbi Erez Sherman is a rabbi at Sinai Temple in Los Angeles and was ordained from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in 2009. His father, Rabbi Charles Sherman, is the senior rabbi at Melrose B'nai Israel Emanu-E in Elkins Park. This article was originally printed in the Jewish Journal

BIRTH

LENA OLIVIA LESHNER

Hal and Becca Fischer Leshner of Philadelphia announce the May 10 birth of their daughter, Lena Olivia Leshner.

Sharing in their happiness are grandparents Phyllis and Howard Fischer of Philadelphia and Marcie Leshner of Plymouth Meeting, along with great-grandfather Irving Fischer, aunt Farryl Leshner, aunt Rachel Fischer Carroll and uncle Mike Carroll.

Lena Olivia is named in loving memory of her maternal great-grandmother Leona Fischer and her paternal grandfather Owen Leshner.

Photo by Becca Fischer Leshner

ANNIVERSARY

KOHN

Harold and Marlene Kohn celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on April 3 with a Zoom anniversary party hosted by their son Ira.

They met through a personal ad in the Jewish Exponent and were married at the Doral.

Harold is a retired optometrist and Army Reserve officer. Marlene is a retired laboratory technician.

Courtesy of the Kohn family



COMMUNITYBRIEFS

Pro-Israel Rallies Held in the Area

Philadelphia area over the past week.

The Israeli-American Council Philadelphia, which organized a march down the Benjamin Franklin Parkway on May 12, held a rally May 23 at the Horwitz-Wasserman Holocaust Memorial Plaza on the parkway. An Israeli flag hangs near the plaza.

Other rallies organized by IAC were in Atlanta; Austin, Texas; Denver; Great Neck, Long Island, New York; Houston; Kansas City, Missouri; Los Angeles; Miami; New York City; Orange County, California; of incredible turbulence for our Jewish community. Rochester, New York; and Tenafly, New Jersey.

"To our brothers and sisters in Israel, we want you to hear loud and clear: We stand with you as you show the world what it means to live bravely under the threat of hatred and annihilation you have faced since before the state of Israel was even created," said Elisha Wiesel, son of the late author and Nobel Prize winner Elie Wiesel at the New York rally at Ground Zero - 7 World Trade Center.



Constance Smukler, a leader of the Soviet Jewry movement, addresses the gathering while draped in an Israeli flag.

PRO-ISRAEL RALLIES continued to occur in the Pro-Israel Alliance held a demonstration on May 20 at the intersection of Church and Old York roads.

Two Swastikas Found in Drexel Dorms

Two swastikas were discovered on May 19 drawn on surfaces in public areas of Drexel University residence Equality and Diversity are investigating the incident. halls, Rabbi Isabel de Koninck, executive director and campus rabbi of Hillel at Drexel University, said in a letter to Hillel members

"These swastikas defiled our campus at a time As violent conflict has continued between Israel and Hamas, and as antisemitic material has circulated even more widely on social media, many of our students have reported experiencing significant anxiety, frustration and concern," de Koninck said. "When antisemitic anxiety and fear and erodes the feelings of safety Jewish students should be able to expect on campus."

The swastikas, which were etched into an elevator

In addition, the recently formed Old York Road wall and a hand sanitizer dispenser, were removed, according to a letter sent to the Drexel community by Subir Sahu, the senior vice president for student success, and Kim Gholston, the vice president and chief diversity officer.

The Drexel Police and the university's Office of

"As a university community built around the advancement of knowledge, we encourage free speech and robust dialogue, the university letter reads. "We will never tolerate antisemitism, racism, harassment or violence of any kind."

Teach PA Conducts Virtual Mission to Harrisburg

Teach PA held its annual Day School Mission to Harrisburg virtually on May 25.

Hundreds of students and parents normally travel graffiti comes to our campus, it provokes further to Harrisburg each year to advocate for day schools and to thank legislators for their support.

This year, they did it all virtually.

- Compiled by Andy Gotlieb



▲ Students wave flags and sing songs.



A Participants peacefully demonstrate in solidarity with Israel. Photos by Scott Weiner Photography

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ALTEN

Harvey Alten, age 77, passed away peacefully on Friday April 23, 2021 after a valiant four-year battle with cancer. Loving husband of Linda (Dorfman), father of Penny Hunn (Eric) and Iris Braydon. Beloved grandfather of his wonderful grandchildren, Ethan and Lexi. Brother of Jerry Alten (Roberta) and the late Larry Alten (Barbara) and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Harvey attended Penn State and graduated from Temple University. He was a software engineer at RCA for more than thirty years. He loved spending time with his family and friends. Harvey had many passions. He performed in several local shows and loved watching and showing movies, the Phillies and Sixers, and travel. Contributions can be made in his memory to any charity of the donor's choice. GOLDSTEINS' ROSENBERG'S

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BENNETT

Matthew Bennett, age 81 on May 19, 2021. Loving husband of Sandra (nee. Cherashore); adoring father of Terri (Mark) Wolfheimer and Jonathan (Rebecca) Bennett. Devoted grandfather of Rachel (Jordan) Walden, Jordan, Jonah, Danielle, Erika. Contributions in his memory may be made to Congregation Or Ami, 708 Ridge Pike Lafayette Hill PA 19444 or to the American Heart Association www.heart.org. GOLDSTEINS' ROSENBERG'S

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BERNSTEIN

Larry Bernstein, age 89, passed away May 20, 2021. He was born in Northeast Philadelphia and also lived in Huntingdon Valley and North Wales, PA. Beloved husband of the late Joan Bernstein (nee Lean) Loving father of Arthur Bernstein and the late Marty Bernstein. Dear brother of Herbert Bernstein. He is also survived by 3 nieces and 4 nephews, and was predeceased by his granddaughter, Carmen Bernstein. Contributions in his memory may be made to Jewish Family & Children's Services of Greater Phila. www.jfcsphilly.org or to Philabundance Food Bank

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Stephen D. Blumenfeld, beloved husband of Irene (nee Frankel), loving father of Jason (Jill) Blumenfeld and Candace (Josh) Kanaplue and adored grandfather of Ella, Jack and Gabriel, Uncle of Cynthia and Henri, brother in-law of Judy and Yossi, passed away peacefully and surrounded by family at home on April 27th, 2021. Stephen was born in Philadelphia in 1947 and grew up in West Oak Lane where he lived with his grandparents, father and aunt. He graduated from Ol-ney High, Millersville and Temple University where he studied architecture and business Stephen was with Irwin Seating as a salesman and installer, with his partner, Jonathon for over 50 years. Stephen met his bride-tobe, Irene, in 1968, just as she was graduat-ing high school. They dated for four years and were married for 49 happy years. Stephen was an avid golfer, mountain biking enthu-siast and enjoyed traveling with his family and friends. He had many hobbies and spent a lot of time with loved ones discussing everything from current events to football. He was never at a loss for conversation and always had a funny story to share. He always had time and enjoyed researching the best of whatever item a friend or family member was looking for. He was a stickler for quality and detail. Steve was very involved in his grandchildren's lives, picking them up from school and attending their special events. The kids loved sleepovers at mom mom and pop pop's. They watched movies, rode bikes and went on hikes. Steve maintained his lifestyle while going through weekly cancer treatments and the pandemic. He happily attended his granddaughter's Bat Mitzvah and was able to celebrate the High Holidays in 2020. Steve was his wife's steady confidant and al-ways offered good advice. He loved to eat and Irene loved to cook for him. Their home was always the center for entertaining friends and celebrating holidays. He was a strong and amazing man who left who left so much behind with all of us. Steve will be inside our hearts forever



Eli Debs passed away May 12, 2021. Beloved husband of Norma Debs (nee Feingold). Loving father of Jeffrey Debs (Suzanne Debs) and Susan Debs Lavene. Dear brother of the late Philip Debs. Adoring Pop-Pop of Taylor Debs, Zachary Debs, Matthew Lavene, and Molly Lavene. Uncle of Caryl Marks (Nathan Marks), Donna Debs (Ray Schneider), and Shara Cohen (Dr. Howard Cohen). He is also survived by his great-nieces and great-nephews. Eli was a founding partner, along with his brother Philip, of the long-running Debs Jewelers, Jewelers Row, Philadelphia, PA which is now owned by son Jeffrey (d.b.a. Jeffrey Debs Jeweler Gemologist). Contributions in his memory may be made to Birthright Israel Foundation, birthrightisrael.com or the Alzheimer's Association, act.alz.org.

Private services were held. GOLDSTEINS' ROSENBERG'S

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FINEMAN Samuel M. Fineman – Passed away on May 17, 2021 at Del Ray Medical Hospital. Sam was born November 23, 1947 in Germany to Geraldine and Albert Fineman, who was serving in the United States Army. Sam's parents and only sibling Larry died several years ago, leaving Sam the surviving member of his family as neither he nor Larry had any children. Sam was a graduate of Penn Whar-ton School and Boston University Law School. The Boston University Law Library 'The Samuel M. Fineman Library" ranks among the nation's top libraries with rich collections, a spectacular new state-of-the-art facilities and one of the most extensive legal research training programs in the country. In the early '70 Sam worked as an assistant public defender for 2 years in Philadelphia. Leaving the public realm Sam went in busi-ness with his father where they owned and operated a fabric business, Homemaker's in Blue Bell, PA. Sam built the business which included a complete shopping mall housing many other businesses. Sam lived in Jenkintown, PA most of his life; in his younger days he was an accomplished pilot enjoying flying airplanes and outdoor sports such as fishing and shooting. Later in life he also enjoyed traveling and was a long time member at Meadowlands Country Club. Some of his favorite times were the Thursday night dinners with "The Boys" at the club Lloon selling his businesses Sam retired and moved to Boca Raton, Florida several years ago. Sam generously gifted the bulk of his estate to various charities. A graveside service was held in Boynton Beach, FL on May 21, 2021.

GIMPEL

Marvin Gimpel, May 16, 2021. Husband of the late Gladys (nee Loev). Father of Harriet (Haim Green) Gimpel and Lois (Mahmood) Gimpel Shaukat. Grandfather of Adam and Zohra Shaukat. Brother of the late Mildred Ackerman. Contributions in his memory may be made to HIAS, P.O. Box 97077, Washington, DC 20090-7077, www.hias.org or to International Rescue Committee, P.O. Box 6068, Albert Lea, Minnesota 56007-9847,

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GOLDBERG

Lawrence Goldberg of Oil City, PA passed away at 92. He is survived by his wife of almost 70 years Rhoda of Philadelphia. They delighted in spending time with their three sons (Richard, Michael and Donald) and their families, including the five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Larry was a selfmade entrepreneur who ran an employment agency for more than 50 years. He and Rhoda enjoyed traveling widely. His hobbies included cycling, bowling, and poker. He won much more than he lost in life. He will be sorely missed by a long list of family and friends.

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Lois Goldberg (nee Kellar), on May 16, 2021, of Bethesda, MD, formerly of Lower Merion, PA. Beloved wife of Lawrence "Larry" Goldberg, loving mother of Mitchell (Helene) Goldberg, Aileen Kantor and Alan (Michelle) Goldberg, sister of Edgar (Elizabeth) Kella and devoted grandmother of Julie, Jac-queline, Hank, Sam, Melissa, Josh and Jenna. Mrs. Goldberg was a longtime member of Temple Beth Hill-El and served as President of the Sisterhood she was a Docent at the Jewish History Museum as well as the President of the local PTA, a graduate of the Barnes Foundation, an avid gardener and an expert in Needlepoint. Graveside Services and Interment at Haym Salomon Memorial Park were private. Contributions in Lois' memory may be made to Montgomery Hospice, 1355 Piccard Drive, Suite 100, Rockville. MD 20850

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LEVIN

Shirlee Levin died in Coral Springs, Florida on Monday, May 17 at 92. She was the beloved wife of the late Howard Levin of Philadelphia and the loving mother of her sons, the late David and Paul Levin. She is survived by her daughter Randy Biro. Graveside memorial service will be held on Monday, June 7 at 11:00 am at Roosevelt Memorial Park in Trevose, PA.

LEVITTIES

Marvin Benjamin Levitties, May 17, 2021 of Bala Cynwyd, PA. Devoted husband of the late Jean (nee Blumenfeld). Beloved father of John (Dana) Levitties and Matthew (Anja) Levitties. Also survived by four loving grandchildren - Sophie, Wexler, Sam and Nathan. Services and interment were private. Contributions in his memory may be made to The Albert Einstein Heathcare Network or to Harcum College. JOSEPH LEVINE and SONS

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LISS

Wayne Liss on May 18, 2018. Beloved husband of Joanne (nee Adelman); Loving father of Jackie Vaniver and Dr. Mitchell Liss; Dear brother of Deena Check; Adoring grandfather of Jamie, Carly, and Sammy Vaniver, and Julian and Aaron Liss. Contributions in his memory may be made to American Cancer Society, 1818 Market St., Ste. 2820, Phila., PA 19103. www.cancer.org GOLDSTEINS' ROSENBERG'S

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MAIMON

Lee Maimon of Rydal, PA, who graduated from Cheltenham High School in 1952, Penn State (BA, 1956) and University of Pennsylvania with a degree in Industrial Management, died on May 18, 2021. Lee was a beloved husband of Barbara; (nee Prusky); loving father of Jill Maimon Gural (David), Marcy Monheit (the late Michael), Susan Mai mon and Wendy Maimon Frieder (Samuel); adored grandfather of Eve, Will, Peter, Molly, Matthew, Maxwell, Mia, Margot, Gregory, Jeremy, Natalie, Ethan and Chad. Lee was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and sports enthusiast. As a student athlete, he was an outstanding football and basketball player; he later became a lover of golf, tennis, fishing and hunting. As an accomplished real estate developer in South Jersey, Lee and his partner were the first to build garden style of-fices on the east coast. Funeral Services were private. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Lee's memory may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Devereux Foundation -To Benefit the Woman of Locust Lane Community

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Nancy Matusow (nee Marcus) on May 14 2021 surrounded by her loving family. Beloved wife of the late Gilbert; Loving mother of Rochelle Matusow (Michael Davis) and Dr Gary Matusow; Incredibly loving mom-mom to Zachary (Jamie), Madison, Lilli, Eva, and Max; Devoted great mom-mom to Blake and Braxton. She will also be dearly missed by her adoring sister-in-law Claire Polsky, and a host of loving nieces, nephews, and dear friends. Nancy's goal in life was to care for her family and friends with limitless love and devotion. Whether volunteering and fundraising for Deborah Hosp. to preparing delicious meals and tirelessly helping to ensure every-one's happiness and enjoyment, that is what made Nancy happy. Nancy was sassy, stunning, and lit up any room she entered with her smile, funny jokes, and storytelling, and will be remembered by all who were fortunate enough to know her. She was truly and uniquely one-of-a kind who will always be remembered with love and kindness. Contributions in her memory may be made to Phila. Ronald McDonald House, www.philarmh.org or Deborah Hosp. for Children, www.demanddeborah.org GOLDSTEINS' ROSENBERG'S

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SALAMON

Milton M. Salamon on May 19, 2021. Beloved husband of Bernice (nee Eisenhofer); Loving father of Jerome Salamon and Lisa (Michael) Aronson; Devoted grandfather of Rachel (Taylor) and Elise (Stephen); Adoring great-grandfather of Elliott.

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SHIGON-JAFFEE

Aviva Shigon-Jaffee (nee Israelitan) on May 17, 2021. Wife of the late Norman Shigon and the late Jerome Jaffee, mother of Rachel (Steven) Levine, Marshall (Judy) Shigon and the late Miriam Shigon (Todd Greenberg), sister of Felice (Harvey) Rosenblum and the late Joel Israelitan, daughter of the late Rabbi Abraham H. and Mollie Israelitan, grandmother of Tara Levine, Naomi and Ruthie Shigon. Contributions in her memory may be made to the Lustgarten Foundation, 1111 Stewart Ave., Bethpage, NY 11714, www.lustgarten.org. GOLDSTEINS' ROSENBERG'S

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Bernice "Bunny" Silverman, on May 14, 2021. A longtime resident of Regency Apartments, Willow Grove, PA. She was an active member of Post 98 JWV - Women's auxiliary. Beloved husband of the late Louis Silverman. Devoted mother of Sandy Cabin (Mitchell) and Linda Bachin (David). Loving grandmother of Stefanie Rosenzweig (Kevin), Jonathan Hopkins (Lindsay) and Stacy Cabin. Loving great grandmother of Paul, Asher, Lucy, and Ezra. Mrs. Silverman was the sis-ter of the late Fay Lacktman, Jerry Goldstein, and Richard Goldstein. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends. Relatives and friends are invited to graveside services Tuesday 1 PM precisely at King David Memorial Park (Sect. BB) Bensalem, PA. Contributions in her memory may be made to The Jewish National Fund www.usa.jnf.org

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SOIFERMAN

Milton ("Dr. Mike") Soiferman, 78, formerly of Wynnewood and Margate, of Lake Worth Florida since 2010, died peacefully on the morning of May 16, 2021 at his home in Lake Worth. Dr. Mike is survived by his wife Susan, his son and daughter in law Erik and Shelly Soiferman, his daughter and son-in law Jill and Larry Goodman of Sharon, Mass., and his five grandsons, Sam, Josh, Max, Adam, and Owen. Mike was a trained attorney and physician, practicing medicine and law in South Philadelphia for over 30 years before retiring to Florida. He was the life of the party, the Bellaggio Community handyman, counselor of some, fixer of most, and friend to all. A consummate hobbyist, Mike was always found woodworking, pen turning, glass making, playing cards, or tennis. However, his greatest joy was his family and friends. Memorial celebrations will be held at a later date both in Wynnewood and in Lake Worth

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It is with deep sorrow that we inform you of the death of Herbert Yudenfriend on Friday, May 14, 2021, 3 months after the passing of his beloved wife Minya. Herb was the father of Donna Lawrence (Jeffrey), Ruth Morrel, Paula Yudenfriend Green (Arlin), and the late Lisa Aronin (Douglas). He was the cherished grandfather of Michael Lawrence, Elana Stein (Josh), Josh Lawrence (Gabi), Shira Nanavati (Akshay), Eric and David Morrel, Rabbi Noah Aronin (Tovah), Chava Aronin, Brittany Rodriguez (Brandon Diez), Danielle Rodriguez (Andrew Duncan), Alison Green Imberga-mo (Mike), Sam Green (Annie Leiman), Mike Green (Meriah Schoen), and Lisa Green, and great grandfather to William and Benjamin Lawrence; Isabelle and Judah Stein; Amalia, Adir and Ariyah Lawrence; Annaelle and Zeke Nanavati; Yaakov and Eli Aronin; Luca and Liam Imbergamo; and Cole Duncan. He is also survived by his sisters, Penny Shuman and Susan Winston. Minya and Herb were married at Har Zion in 1951 and would have celebrated their 70th anniversary this past March. Herb was an active member of Har

DEATH NOTICES Zion for over 60 years. The family respectfully requests that contributions be made to

Har Zion Temple or AMIT Children. Herb received his bachelor's and master's degrees in education from Temple University where he also completed the academic requirements for his PhD in psychoeducational processes. He spent several years teaching in the Philadelphia Public School System, using humor and poker odds to teach his high school students mathematics. Ultimately, Herb joined the family business in the glass industry, becoming an expert in safety, security, and en-ergy-efficient glass and window films. He was a consultant for the White House, the National Park Service, and the Department of Energy, and supported numerous high-profile projects including the Ellis Island Restoration Project. He was also an expert witness, published author and speaker who testified before legislative committees and was a member of the Board of the Building Enclosure Technology and Environment Council. a council of the National Institute of Building Sciences. Herb held two patents for methodology for manufacturing certified glazing products using applied films, and received the State of New Jersey's Innovation Award. In addition, the National Institute of Building Sciences bestowed its highest honor on himthe NIBS Member Award. That award reads, in part, "Herb Yudenfriend. . . has been a guiding force in our effort to reduce energy use in homes and buildings. His leadership in developing the concept for an energy rating system for windows, helping to develop the ASTM standard for window installation, and promoting training and certification programs for window installers, . . . [has] ad-vanced national energy efficiency goals." A multi-talented individual, Herb taught himself to play the piano and compose music. He performed his piano concerto, The Impressions of a Dream, on the radio in 1947 and his song It Was Just a Day in Mid-September is a great family favorite. Minva, Herb's wife, fell in love with him the first time she met him when he was playing the piano at a friends' house. Herb was also a published author. His book Dear Everybody ...: Adventures of a Teenage Soldier, highlights his personal

experiences and the history he witnessed as a 17 to 19 year old soldier in the Philippines. He was working on a second book at the time of his death. As a long suffering Phillies fan, Herb was thrilled to be present at Vets' Stadium in 1980 for the sixth game of the world series when the team won its very first world series. Herb was always ready with a joke and used humor to develop relationships with his grandchildren. JOSEPH LEVINE and SONS

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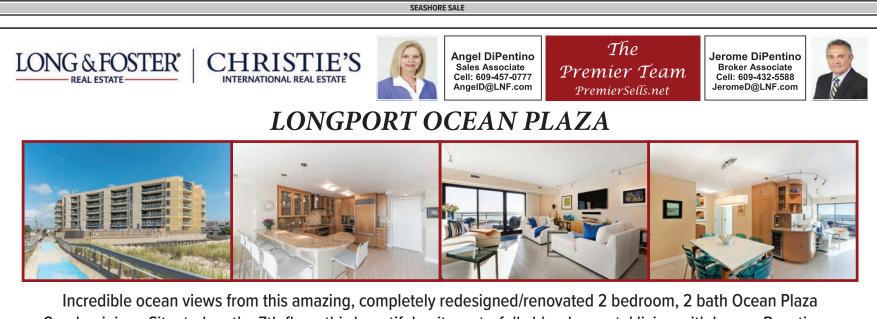
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PETITION NAME CHANGE

Court of Common Pleas for the County of Philadelphia, April Term, 2021. No. 1515 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 20, 2021, the petition of Katharine Rose McDowell was filed, praying for a decree to change Katharine's name to Ry Harin McDowell. The Court has fixed June 25, 2021 at 10:00am in Room No. 691, City Hall, Phil-adelphia, PA for hearing. All persons interested may appear and show cause, if they have any, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

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▼ TUESDAY, JUNE 1

Jewish Book Club

Golden Slipper Gems will host a book club meeting with instructor Rabbi Eric Yanoff to discuss Israeli novelist Yochi Brandes' "The Orchard," at 11 a.m. Cost is \$25. Brandes assumes the narrative viewpoint of Rachel, the wife of the mystical, at times radical, Rabbi Akiva, in the period just after the destruction of the Second Temple in Jerusalem. Call 610-359-8632 for more information.

Genocide Paradigm

Golden Slipper Gems will host a four-session course to examine the history of the United Nation's 1948/2002 definition of genocide. Instructor Tim Horner of the Villanova University Center for Peace and Justice Education will also propose a new paradigm for understanding genocide, based on a crossdisciplinary approach to this complex human phenomenon. Cost \$34. Call 610-359-8632 for more information.

▼ WEDNESDAY, **JUNE 2**

God's Earthquake

The Aquarian Minyan Yeshiva will host a talk about Rabbi Arthur Waskow's latest book, "Dancing in God's Earthquake: The Coming Transformation of Religion" on Zoom at 2 p.m. Donations requested but not required. Register at aquarianminyan.com/civicrm/event/ register?reset=1&id=15665.

Support Group This Jewish Family and Children's

Service support group is for anyone who is a relative of an LGBTQ individual - grandparent, child, cousin, parent — and is looking for a space to process. This group is a safe place to ask questions, express emotions and learn from other folks in similar places. Zoom starts at 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Galia Godel at ggodel@jfcsphilly.org.

▼ THURSDAY, JUNE 3

Jewish Enlightenment The Leo Baeck Institute - New

York will host three scholars for a virtual discussion about how the Jewish Enlightenment offered new answers to old questions about whether Jewishness was primarily a nationality or a religion, especially in the context of the Protestant conception of religion as a private matter of individual faith. Register for the 2 p.m. event at lbi.org. •



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NEWSMAKERS

Beth Sholom Congregation held a gala concert in honor of essential workers and "everyday heroes" on May 23. The concert featured a performance from Six13, a Jewish a cappella group from New York City.

From left, members of Six13: Mike Boxer, Hillel Landman, Josh Sauer, Jacob Spadaro, Nathaniel Ribner and Lior Melnick Photos by Elliot Miller



On May 20, a newly formed Israel advocacy group called Old York Road Pro-Israel Alliance demonstrated in support of Israel on Old York Road.



Photo by Don Sable

Jewish Family Service of Atlantic & Cape May Counties received a \$5,000 grant on behalf of ACME Markets Foundation's 130 Days of Giving Nourishing Neighbors Campaign, in celebration of ACME's 130th anniversary. The grant will be used to stock JFS' Pantry with hearty foods and

basic essentials for community residents in need.

From left: Lisa Yaede, ACME store manager in Ventnor, and Matt Juhring, ACME district manager, present a \$5,000 check to Beth Joseph, senior director of communications & donor relations at Jewish Family Service of Atlantic & Cape May Counties.

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