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But despite working earlier days and later nights and holding more funerals, Adam Levine, a partner at Joseph Levine & Sons and supervisor at Haym Salomon Memorial Park in Malvern, hasn't wavered.

"COVID got tiring, got upsetting, got personal. It was not easy for everyone to make it through COVID," Levine said. "But we put a lot of ourselves into taking care of our families, and we only put more into it during the height of COVID."

Though the pandemic has resulted in changes to the logistics of Jewish rituals surrounding death, the job of Jewish spiritual leaders and funeral homes hasn't changed, as they work to provide dignity for the dead and comfort to their loved ones in a time of profound and widespread grief.

"Our main goal is to help these families who have lost their loved ones, try to help them through this whole process and give them the type of funeral service that



▲ Abrams Hebrew Academy students are playing sports again in 2021-'22.

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Jewish Schools Become Communities Again

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FOR LOCAL JEWISH SCHOOLS, pandemic-era restrictions like masks and physical distancing are part of the daily routine at this point.

But despite those inhibitors to human connection, students are connecting again in their schools, just like they did before

March 2020.

That's because, with most teachers and eligible students vaccinated, administrators have brought back the full lineup of clubs, sports and other activities.

In 2021-'22, schools are communities again.

"There's a buzz that we didn't have last year," said Rabbi Ira Budow, the

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CORN TORTILLA OMELET WITH SALSA

Food columnist Keri White cooked up an omelet that she described as sort of a reverse shakshuka. In this omelet, the eggs are on the bottom and a spicy tomato mixture is on top, with corn tortillas integrated into the recipe. Visit the Jewish Exponent online to read White's Philacatessen blog and get the recipe. And check Philacatessen regularly for content not normally found in the printed edition, such as other recipes, restaurant reviews and food news from around the Delaware Valley. jewishexponent.com/2021/11/01/corn-tortilla-omelet-with-salsa/



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Israel awaits a Nobel breakthrough in scientific world

By GIDEON REMEZ
Special to the Exponent

JERUSALEM — The annual mid-October hoopla around the Nobel Prizes again had its usual Jewish angle — in fact, this year more than most.

The Norwegian Parliament's decision to award the Peace Prize to Elie Wiesel was doubtless a noble gesture of recognition of Holocaust remembrance as a vital necessity for the future of mankind. But the choice aroused a measure of controversy here in Israel.

Some resented the hefty honoraria commanded by Wiesel's Holocaust lectures. Others faulted him for not realizing the central Zionist lesson from the Holocaust: aliyah. Right-wing columnist Israel Eldad, for instance, blamed Wiesel for disregarding — or intentionally obscuring — this message and preferring the "rusty" one of emancipation in the Diaspora through Jewish involvement in every just cause of humanity. "The prize is yours," Eldad said. "You have worked, and forgotten, a lot for it; now, Elie Wiesel, come home."

Wiesel's selection for the most political of the Nobel prizes quickly overshadowed the far more routine news, a day earlier, that two more Jews had joined the long roster of winners in the natural sciences. Sweden's Carolinska Institute selected for this year's prize in medicine American Stanley Cohen and Italian Rita Levi-Montalcini for their studies in nerve and skin cell growth mechanisms, which advanced the

struggle against cancer and other diseases.

Gratified Israelis nevertheless had to postpone for another year their hopes for an Israeli laureate in the sciences; our Nobel contingent is still limited to the less esoteric awards, Menachem Begin for peace and Shmuel-Yosef Agnon for literature.

To Professor Joshua Jortner, president of the Israel Academy of Sciences, this is some cause for concern precisely because he has full trust in the impartiality of the prize committees. The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences selects the winners in physics and chemistry.

Despite the compliments he reserves for the selection of Nobel recipients over the years, Jortner doesn't approve of the journalistic method of calculating a national I.Q. by the number of prizes won.

"Science is trans-national and scientific activity is individualistic, so that I'd be very cautious in establishing any kind of numerical criterion on a national or ethnic basis," he said. "Nonetheless, we're glad to see a Cohen and a Levi among this year's winners, and one can't disregard the very high proportion of Jews among Nobel laureates — about 30 percent were either Jews or of Jewish origin." (A Swedish source termed the number of Jewish laureates "astounding.")

Jortner, professor of chemistry at Tel Aviv University, attributed this not to any genetic superiority but to "the

longstanding spiritual and cultural tradition of the Jewish people, who always considered the intellect as the best means of satisfying material needs."

So why hasn't Israeli science achieved Nobel status? Indeed, Jortner said, "In the past, Israel science registered some very impressive achievements. It was these, in fact, that helped to gain us recognition as a developed country, since it is intellectual activity . . . that determines both the real character and perceived image of the state — for other nations, and what is more important, for ourselves as Israelis and for the rest of the Jewish people."

"In physics, I could list such milestones as the research of the late Professor Rcah in atomic structure, that of the late Professor de Shalit and his colleagues at the Weizmann Institute in nuclear structure and other studies in high-energy physics and elementary particles."

"In chemistry," Jortner continued, "there's the body of work built up by Professor Fodor and the brothers Katzir [the late Professor Aharon Katzir and former President Efraim Katzir] in protein structure, and by the late Professor Fraenkel in polypeptides. These are exemplary achievements that rank with the world's finest."

But Jortner rejects any intimation of a political motive for these pioneers not having been honored.

"As a scientist involved in one of the Nobel Prize
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Fears of Antisemitism Change Jewish Behavior

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ANTISEMITISM CONTINUES to impact many American Jews, according to the American Jewish Committee's "State of Antisemitism in America Report" released on Oct. 25.

In its third annual and largest antisemitism report, AJC found that 39% of American Jews have changed their behavior at some point due to fears of antisemitism; 25% concealed their Jewish identity online; 22% stopped wearing anything that would identify them as Jewish; and 17% avoided attending events or visiting certain areas that would make them feel endangered as Jews.

"In some ways, it's very grim," said Marcia Bronstein, the AJC Philadelphia/Southern New Jersey regional director.

Bronstein attributed the persistent antisemitism and consequent fear of antisemitism to the recent flare-up of Israel-Hamas violence and ignorance around comparing events to the Holocaust, such as the use of yellow Star of David patches as a symbol against COVID vaccine mandates.

"We see, a lot of times, the use of Nazi imagery that emboldens antisemitism," Bronstein said. "If someone says a policy is like a Nazi policy and is talking about a public health issue and relating it to a mass genocide — it's just unacceptable, yet we've seen it happen over and over."

Elana Burack, who lives in University City, is one of the four in 10 American Jews who has changed behavior for fear of becoming a target of antisemitism. She stopped wearing her Hamsa necklace from Israel after hearing about a few men approaching an Orthodox Jewish woman in Philadelphia.

Though the men were actually three Jewish men going to wish the woman a Shabbat shalom, Burack saw posts on social media saying that these men were not Jewish, had knives and were planning to attack the woman.

"It scared me enough to make me think twice about wearing something that would be an obvious sign of my Judaism," Burack said.

Antisemitism fears are far more sinister than just hiding an article of clothing, Bronstein argued.

"It constrains who we are and what we do," Bronstein said.

The pervasive role of fear in Jewish life can be seen in the increased security of synagogues after the Pittsburgh Tree of Life shooting, she said.

According to the AJC survey, the Northeast region of the U.S. seems to be home to as much antisemitism as other parts of the nation. Forty-one percent of national survey respondents reported witnessing antisemitism, online or in-person, over the past month; 46% of Northeastern respondents reported the same.

However, results may differ in Philadelphia, and numbers for specific cities were not available.

Though Burack thought of a handful of friends in other parts of the country who were concerned about attending synagogue for fear of antisemitism, none of her other Jewish friends in Philadelphia have changed their behaviors like she has.

Bronstein attributed potential regional differences in part to the area's larger Jewish population. While 64% of the national sample of the

AJC study reported personally knowing a Jewish person, 75% of the Northeast sample reported "Yes" to the same statement.

Antisemitism may be a result of ignorance about Jewish people, Bronstein said. If one knows more about Judaism, they may be less likely to hold antisemitic biases.

To address antisemitism, Bronstein believes addressing ignorance is key. The AJC has spoken with Facebook and Twitter executives to ensure antisemitic posts aren't spread by the social media sites' algorithms. They are working with corporations to ensure diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives include Jews and, especially, Jews of color.

Bronstein said groups such as the Circle of Friends, the Philadelphia chapter for the Muslim-Jewish Advisory Council, are key in creating solidarity movements to mitigate antisemitism.

Circle of Friends co-chair Mohamed Bakry noticed that increases in antisemitism correlate with jumps in Islamophobia and racism.

"That's why I think allyship is significantly more important



▲ AJC and Circle of Friends leaders at a past advocacy trip to Harrisburg. From left: Marcia Bronstein, AJC Philadelphia/SNJ regional director; Mohamed Bakry, co-chair, Circle of Friends/Philadelphia Muslim-Jewish Advisory Council; Majid Alsayegh, Circle of Friends member and MJAC member; Michael Fabius, co-chair, Circle of Friends/MJAC; and Hilary Levine, AJC Philadelphia/SNJ associate director

Courtesy of Hilary Levine

nowadays than ever before, because one group alone can't combat all of the hate that's coming our way," Bakry said.

Mike Fabius, the chapter's other co-chair, argued that his involvement with Circle of Friends and his friendship with Bakry has made him better equipped to address Islamophobia when he encounters it in conversations with "well-intentioned" individuals who are prejudiced or ignorant.

"We're never going to eradicate hate and ignorance, but if we can go back to marginalizing it, that would be good progress," Fabius said.

With efforts on the horizon to address antisemitism, Bronstein was heartened by the overall survey results about support for Israel and increased awareness of antisemitism.

Eighty-five percent of respondents felt that the statement, "Israel has no right to exist," was antisemitic; 73% felt the statement, "American Jews are loyal to Israel and disloyal to America" was antisemitic; and 82% felt the statement, "The Holocaust has been exaggerated" was antisemitic. ●

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How Bad is Local Campus Antisemitism?

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THE ANTI-DEFAMATION League and Hillel International released a report on Oct. 26 that said one in three Jewish college students experienced antisemitism in the past year.

According to those organizations, most students who experienced antisemitism didn't report it. Significant percentages (38 and 15) also mentioned feeling uncomfortable stating their Jewish pride and revealing their Jewish background.

While the findings were eye-opening, they only came from 756 "self-identified Jewish undergraduate students" across the United States. Local Hillel leaders say the survey is not representative of their own campuses.

"I'd be shocked if you found one in three Temple students who have experienced antisemitism in-person on campus," said Daniel Levitt, the executive director of Hillel at Temple University.

Jeremy Winaker is the executive director of the Greater Philly Hillel Network, which welcomes students from West Chester University, Bryn Mawr College and Haverford College, as well as area graduate students.

And he backed up Levitt's claim.

"Things are quiet on campus," Winaker said. "My impression is that even the flare-up with Gaza this past May was not a factor."

Winaker was referring to the latest Israeli-Palestinian conflict over contested territory. And while that dispute may not have led to campus incidents, it did lead to social media posting from young people.

That, according to Winaker, was how a lot of the students



▲ Temple students enjoy a Hillel picnic.

Photo by Lauren Marks

in his network experienced antisemitism this year. Jewish students would see antisemitic posts and comments and the support that they often received.

Levitt said it would frequently take the form of peers of Jewish students reposting antisemitic statements.

"It's a social media phenomenon more than anything else," he said. "It gives them anxiety about people they see on campus."

One local student, Abby Sullivan, a Temple senior and the former president of the school's Hillel chapter, sees these posts regularly. After the May Israeli-Palestinian conflict, she opened the Instagram story of a college acquaintance.

Sullivan saw what she described as "incredibly offensive" to the Jewish community. So, she reached out to the girl and told her she wanted to have a conversation.

"There's a way to discuss this without being offensive," Sullivan recalled of her message.

The girl blocked Sullivan on Instagram.

Later, people sent Sullivan another story that the girl posted that was anti-Jewish in nature.

The senior again reached out to her acquaintance.

"I said, 'This is not the way,'" Sullivan remembered. "Just because people can't see it doesn't mean you aren't doing something wrong."

She said the passive-aggressive social media culture is present on campus, too.

Temple is the largest university in one of the world's biggest Jewish regions — the Greater Philadelphia area. Despite that, in her almost four years at Temple, Sullivan has heard antisemitic comments worthy of some town in which residents have never met a Jew.

"I've never met a Jew before, this is crazy, you're so rare," Sullivan said of one remark she's heard.

Other Temple students have expressed surprise after learning that her family doesn't own a bank. They assumed that she supported former President Donald Trump due to his pro-Israel stance, that she hated all Palestinians and that she wanted to control the Middle East.

Earlier this school year, Sullivan's roommate told a classmate that she was Jewish. The person responded by saying, "OK, I got to go call Hitler and the Nazis."

"I know when I feel uncomfortable and when it feels like antisemitism," Sullivan said.

At the same time, she agreed with Levitt and Winaker. Very rarely, if ever, does this antisemitism rise to the level of a reportable incident.

The senior also defended her fellow students. Most just haven't met or spoken to enough Jews, Sullivan said. And despite seeing Jews as caricatures, they aren't white supremacists; they don't possess some doctrinal belief in antisemitism.

Therefore, Sullivan said, they are reachable. And so, she tries to reach them by explaining things like Jewish holidays or that not all Jews are rich.

"Nine times out of 10 I'll get, 'I'm so sorry,'" she said. "Please teach me more."

Winaker believes that Jews and Jewish organizations need

to follow Sullivan's lead, but on social media. The Jewish community has to counter antisemitic grandstanders with positive, pro-Jewish, pro-Zionist messages.

On Oct. 27, the three-year anniversary of the Tree of Life synagogue complex shooting in Pittsburgh, there was a steady flow of tweets remembering the victims. One even came from President Joe Biden, who is not Jewish.

Winaker saw this as an example of what Jews need to start doing.

"We can best serve students by having deep conversations in person and offering positive images of Judaism and Israel in social media," he said. ●

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Visitors to Tree of Life Building Mark Oct. 27

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D'RAE WISE STOOD outside the Tree of Life building in Pittsburgh for 11 minutes on Oct. 27. He did the same thing last year, and the year before.

Wise, a Shadyside resident who didn't know any of the 11 Jews murdered on Oct. 27, 2018, said returning to the corner of Shady and Wilkins avenues is a chance to remember life's fragility and the responsibilities we share.

"Your life can be taken, any day at any point," Wise said. "Life is short and we have to grow like a tree and just be good people."

Traveling to the building and standing silently outside for 11 minutes isn't particularly remarkable, he said.

He wishes more people did so.

"Everyone in the community, whether I know them or not, matters," Wise said. "We're a big part of making our city and our community strong."

Since 2019, Madeline Ellgass has traveled on Oct. 27 from her Mt. Washington home to the corner of Shady and Wilkins to



▲ Israeli natives Efrat Schushein and Ruth Goren speak with Tree of Life's Rabbi Jeffrey Myers and Gesher HaChaim Jewish Burial Society's Rabbi Elisar Admon
Photos by Adam Reinherz

deposit flowers. This year, she left a bouquet of orange roses near Tree of Life's temporary fence. She was hoping to bring yellow flowers, she said, because yellow is a "bright, uplifting color," but orange was the best she could do.

But Ellgass — whose middle name is Rose — knows the flowers' hue and species don't matter.

Bringing flowers is "just something small for me to feel like I can acknowledge what happened here," she said. "I

think it brings me some peace in knowing that, as a community, a lot of people come together today."

Throughout Oct. 27, individuals and groups arrived at the Tree of Life building. Before 9 a.m., mental health professionals set up a tent south of the building, where until 3 p.m. representatives of Jewish Family and Community Services, Center for Victims and the 10.27 Healing Partnership greeted visitors and offered space for listening and healing.

At 9:54 a.m. — a time when Mayor William Peduto asked the city to "hold a moment of silence and reflection" — members of the Mallinger family quietly stood near the Tree of Life building. Their matriarch, Rose Mallinger, was one of the 11 people murdered during the attack. Her daughter, Andrea Wedner, was shot and seriously injured.

About 40 minutes later, more than 30 students from Yeshiva Schools of Pittsburgh arrived with cards, flowers and other materials in tow. The high schoolers asked passersby to "find the kind" and perform good deeds in memory of Joyce Fienberg, Richard Gottfried, Rose Mallinger, Jerry Rabinowitz, Cecil Rosenthal,



▲ Chatham University President David Finegold and Delilah Hollander, a Chatham University student and Dor Hadash member.

David Rosenthal, Bernice Simon, Sylvan Simon, Daniel Stein, Melvin Wax and Irving Younger.

Bayla Fishman, a Yeshiva Schools graduate and programming manager at the school, said the students' response to the murder of 11 Jews is driven by a teaching of the late Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, who believed that "in order to dispel darkness we have to bring kindness."

Along with encouraging fellow visitors to appreciate and acknowledge the good in others, and to volunteer at nonprofits, Fishman and the Yeshiva students handed out Shabbat candles.

Lighting the wicks each Friday night is an easy way to eliminate darkness, the students said.

Around 10:45 a.m., Delilah Hollander arrived with nearly 20 classmates and administrators from Chatham University.

Hollander, a Chatham University freshman and a member of Congregation Dor Hadash — one of the three congregations attacked — said she was in Israel last year on Oct. 27, and instead of feeling "alone" again, she wanted to assemble a group, on site, focused on remembering the



▲ D'Rae Wise stood for 11 minutes outside the Tree of Life building on Oct. 27.

lives that were lost.

Hollander briefly recounted her memories of each person killed — anecdotes that transpired during services, in the hallways or at kiddush on Saturday mornings.

"I don't pretend to speak for any other person from Dor Hadash, or our sister congregations, Tree of Life and New Light, but I know that I will never forget the lives these people lived. I will never stop honoring their lives, and I implore each and every single one of you to remember them. But more than that, remember your life, your community, the people around you and the world we live in as a thing to be celebrated."

Hundreds of people stopped

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Ben Waxman Announces State Rep Candidacy

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BEN WAXMAN HAS lived in Center City for 10 years.

He has unofficially represented his neighbors to local government as part of the Center City Residents' Association. And he has advocated for his neighbors in various official roles, too, including in communications positions with Pennsylvania Sen. Vincent Hughes and Philadelphia District Attorney Larry Krasner.

Now, though, the longtime activist doesn't just want to represent his fellow residents.

He wants to be their representative.

On Nov. 3, Waxman announced his campaign for a seat in the state House of Representatives.

The Springfield Township High School (Montgomery County) graduate will first have to win the Democratic Primary in May. But if he does, he will run for the District 182 seat, which represents Center City, in the November 2022 election.

Waxman calls himself a progressive and is committed to a social justice worldview. He led Krasner's communications team from 2018-'19 because he wanted to help the DA work on sentencing reforms.

But the Conservative Jew, who keeps kosher in the home and belongs to Temple Beth Zion-Beth Israel, is running because he wants to work on practical, everyday issues.

Waxman said he wants to help the state end the pandemic and reinvigorate the economy. He views Republicans as a threat to that first initiative and hopes to defend a Democratic seat.

Rep. Brian K. Sims represents the district but is not running for reelection.

"We're in a crisis situation, especially when you have



▲ Ben Waxman

Courtesy of Steve Springer

What can we do so the economy recovers?
What can we do so Center City recovers?"

BEN WAXMAN

Republicans in Harrisburg who are resisting public health measures," Waxman said.

Waxman, though, is announcing his campaign at a time when COVID case, hospitalization and death rates are declining. So if he wins, by the time he takes office in 2023, he hopes to be focusing on the post-COVID recovery.

As Waxman's friend and neighbor Wade Albert put it, Center City is the "financial engine of Southeastern PA." And right now, there are too many retail vacancies, Waxman said.

"We've lost stores on almost every block," he said.

Waxman wants to use public investment to help the state economy recover. That way, the local economy can rebound, too.

He said, "There's a vibrancy that only exists if there's a lot of people here." He envisions blocks full of shoppers and people going out to eat.

"What can we do so the economy recovers?" Waxman

asked. "What can we do so Center City recovers?"

If elected, Waxman would represent an important district, but he would just be one vote in a 203-member body.

Yet he's confident he can make an impact in the Democratic caucus. Republicans still have a house majority and General Assembly control in Pennsylvania. But House Democrats, led by Minority Leader Joanna McClinton, are increasingly progressive, Waxman said.

Waxman describes a House seat as the political position he's most qualified to hold. He worked in the Senate for five years, focusing on the Appropriations Committee. So, he's intimately familiar with how the government decides to spend its money.

Albert said Waxman was an integral part of the budget process during his earlier years in Harrisburg as well.

"There's always a place for minority voices to be heard in connection to the budget

process," Albert said.

Right now, though, Waxman's focus is not policy. It's getting elected.

He doesn't know who he's running against or if he has the support of the local Democratic Party. He does say that he has a significant amount of grassroots support.

Waxman has already gotten donations from more than 130 people and he has a team of volunteers ready to go door-to-door.

In a local, low-profile race,

Waxman knows he needs an army on the ground. But his campaign plan is both digital and physical.

He wants to use Facebook, Twitter and his website to keep building a team of volunteers and donors. Then he plans on talking to as many Center City neighbors as he can.

"It's local, so you can almost talk to everyone," Waxman said. ●

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Dozens of Celebrities Sign Letter Denouncing Cultural Boycott of Israel

MORE THAN 200 celebrities signed an open letter opposing efforts to boycott an LGBTQ film festival in Tel Aviv, JTA reported.

The letter published Oct. 27 is a response to calls from activists with the boycott, divestment and sanctions movement to boycott the Tel Aviv International LGBTQ+ Film Festival, also called TLVFest.

The letter was organized by Creative Community for Peace, an organization of entertainment industry professionals that works to counter cultural boycotts against Israel.

“In Israel, movies have the unique power to bring together Jews, Arabs, and people of all races, ethnicities, and backgrounds in collaboration under a shared love of the arts, working together towards the common goal of telling their stories, and building bridges of compassion and understanding,” the letter reads.

Celebrities signing the letter included actors Mila Kunis, Billy Porter, Neil Patrick Harris, Helen Mirren, Jeremy Piven and Emmanuelle Chriqui, former NSYNC singer Lance Bass and KISS frontman Gene Simmons.

Comedian Mort Sahl Dies at 94

Jewish satirist Mort Sahl, who often was credited with making caustic political and social satire popular in stand-up comedy, died On Oct. 26, JTA reported. He was 94.

Sahl often walked onstage holding just a rolled-up newspaper, riffing on the headlines of the day in extended improvised monologues. He took aim at politicians at a time when comedians didn’t often do so and was known to end his sets with the line: “Are there any groups I haven’t offended?”

“The Tonight Show” host Steve Allen once introduced Sahl as “probably the only real political philosopher we have in modern comedy.”

Though Sahl didn’t discuss his Jewishness in routines or often in public, he inspired fellow Jewish stand-ups including Woody Allen and Lenny Bruce.

Florida Prohibits New Investments in Ben & Jerry’s Parent Company

Florida state entities may no longer invest in Unilever, Ben & Jerry’s parent company because the ice cream maker plans to stop selling its product in the West Bank, JTA reported.

Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis triggered in July a 90-day review mandated by Florida law that requires divestment from companies boycotting Israel. Ben &

Jerry’s says it is ending its sales only in the West Bank, but Florida law doesn’t distinguish between Israel and the West Bank.

Unilever has disavowed the boycott, divestment and sanctions movement, but has said it can’t control Ben & Jerry’s business decisions because of an internal agreement between the conglomerate and the ice cream manufacturer’s independent board.

The ruling doesn’t impact the \$39 million Florida already has invested in Unilever, the Florida Politics website reported.

Chilean Newspaper Draws Outrage with Tribute to Nazi Leader Hermann Göring

One of Chile’s largest newspapers published a tribute feature to Nazi Hermann Göring on Oct. 24, sparking an outcry from politicians and the nation’s Jewish community, JTA reported.

The article in El Mercurio was timed to the 75th anniversary of Göring’s death and resembled a eulogy. It included details about Göring’s youth, military career and close relationship to Adolf Hitler, accompanied by photos.

In a statement posted to Twitter, the Jewish Community of Chile organization called the article “an apology for Nazism.” •

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ISRAEL BRIEFS

Shekel Reaches All-time High

THE SHEKEL REACHED its strongest level ever, as per the Bank of Israel's nominal effective rate, which measures the shekel against a basket of currencies of the nation's major trading partners, Globes reported.

Globes said Israeli consumers should be able to find good prices on overseas e-commerce sites, although supply chain problems worldwide might impact that to some extent.

But Prico Risk Management Investments CEO Yossi Fraiman said the news isn't as good for the nation's exporters.

"Among the reasons for the shekel's strength is lively activity on the part of financial institutions reducing their currency exposure, resulting in surplus supply of foreign currency," he said.

The Bank of Israel has reduced the amount of foreign currency it buys to moderate the strengthening of the shekel, Globes said.

10,000 Participate in Climate March

About 10,000 people gathered in Tel Aviv on Oct. 29 participated in the annual climate march titled "The leaders have run out of time," The Jerusalem Post reported.

Environmental organizations including the Society for the Protection of Nature, Green Course, Greenpeace and the Israel Union for Environmental Defense participated in and led the march.

Protesters displayed signs and banners. Some sought change from the government, others sought public change and still others warned of what might happen if there wasn't change.

"We are marching for the preservation of nature and our future," SPNI CEO Iris Hann said. "Our health as human beings is directly linked to, and dependent on, the health of our nature."

Remains of IDF's First Fallen Paratrooper Returned from Czech Republic, Buried at Mount Herzl

The remains of the Israel Defense Forces first fallen paratrooper were repatriated to Israel from the Czech Republic on Oct. 27 and buried the next day, The Jerusalem Post reported.

The burial ceremony for Pvt. Martin Davidowicz occurred at Mount Herzl Military Cemetery in Jerusalem, led by senior Defense Ministry officials, IDF officers and family members.

Davidowicz was born in Czechoslovakia in 1927 and sent to Auschwitz in 1943. After surviving the Holocaust, he joined the Czech Brigade. During the War of Independence in 1948, Czechoslovakia hosted the first paratroopers training course.

In the program's third week, Davidowicz was accidentally shot and killed by a Czech officer, who said he thought his weapon wasn't loaded during an exercise.

Lebanese Villagers Allowed into Israel to Pick Olives

Despite technically being at war with Lebanon, Israel said on Oct. 25 that it was opening its border to Lebanese agricultural workers to pick olives, The Times of Israel reported.

"In light of the economic situation in Lebanon, and as a gesture of goodwill to the Lebanese people, the IDF opened the border to agricultural workers from Al Jabal, Itaron and Balida," an Israel Defense Force statement read.

Tensions began escalating between the two countries in August when Israel conducted its first airstrikes on Lebanese territory in seven years, and Lebanese terror group Hezbollah claimed a direct rocket attack on Israel for the first time since 2019. •

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Rituals

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their loved one deserves,” said Seth Goldstein, a vice president at Goldsteins’ Rosenberg’s Raphael-Sacks.

The host of Jewish rituals performed from when a person is dying to when they’re buried is meant to retain that person’s dignity.

“It makes me feel good that we are bringing comfort to the families and the loved ones that they left behind,” said David Kushner, a member of the burial society Chevra Kadisha B’nei Moshe. “It’s a very good feeling to know that we’re playing whatever small role we’re playing in the continuity of sacred Jewish rituals that go back thousands of years.”

Still, the pandemic has added challenges to completing this role.

The pandemic delayed funeral homes receiving necessary burial permits for timely funerals. Some families had to delay funerals or give up on traditions they wanted to take part in, such as viewing their loved one’s body or the ritual cleansing of *tehora*.

“In this day and age, you kind of have to be a little bit more flexible,” Goldstein said.

Chevra kadisha members who complete *tehora* donned full personal protective equipment — disposable gowns, face shields, masks, booties, gloves and hoods — during the height of COVID, Kushner said.

At the beginning of COVID, when it was unclear how COVID was transmitted, Goldsteins’ Rosenberg’s Raphael-Sacks had trouble arranging *tehora* for deceased who had died of COVID complications.

The Reconstructionist Chevra Kadisha is just now resuming *teharas*, having suspended operation during most of COVID, feeling unable to make appropriate safety accommodations.

“We were getting in a small room all together,” said Rabbi Linda Holtzman, member and founder of the chevra kadisha. “There’s no windows; there’s no anything. We’re there for about an hour, and it just felt uncomfortable.”

Yet burials over COVID continued, *tehora* or no, and Joseph Levine & Sons has long been prepared for adapting funeral services, having used digital streaming services for the past 15 years, following a trend of many other funeral homes.

“When kids, grandkids were in college, or when people were



▲ Adam Levine (left), Brian Levine and Jon Levine of Joseph Levine & Sons Memorial Chapel
Courtesy of Adam Levine

overseas — especially in Israel — they could log on to [Zoom]. It was really the way that our world was moving,” Levine said, “and we’ve had some big services where we’ve had hundreds of people logging on.”

Though sometimes funerals felt palpably different — at times, only Levine and a rabbi would be present — Zoom has some added benefits. When loved ones are speaking at a funeral over Zoom, Levine has found it easier to focus on the speakers.

But the presence of technology has not made all rituals easier.

For Rabbi Tsurah August,

the staff chaplain at Jewish Family and Children’s Service of Greater Philadelphia, adapting the intimate practice of counseling a hospice patient before their death to a virtual space was hard.

“I was a mess,” August said. “The most important thing is just showing up, being present: holding someone’s hand, looking in their eyes, breathing with them ... And it was gone.”

August, who works primarily with patients at Abington Hospice in Warminster and Nazareth Hospice in Philadelphia, adapted anyway, conducting the *vidui*, confessions also completed on Yom Kippur, over the phone, asking a nurse to hold up their phone to the patient.

August incorporates more sensory exercises into her time with patients, asking what they can smell, hear and look at, trying to recreate the feeling of a physical presence.

Having created new rituals to honor patients’ specific needs, August is no stranger to making changes. She once held a Havdalah for a patient, bringing the braided candle, wine and spices to a patient before the pandemic, adjusting the end-of-Shabbat customs to an end-of-life ritual.

“We just keep incorporating ancient ways into what we have available to us now,” August said.

But even with the myriad



▲ Rabbi Tsurah August, the staff chaplain at Jewish Family and Children’s Service of Greater Philadelphia
Courtesy of Tsurah August

logistic differences in the jobs of those who work with dying and deceased Jews, additional rituals or liturgies that address COVID aren’t a part of their routines.

“There’s been people that went through the Spanish flu in 1919. There’s been people that were Holocaust survivors, and there’s been tragedy, but we’ve made it through,” Levine said. “The sadness is part of who we are, and it makes us stronger, or at least that’s the hope.”

Jews have always had to weather tragedy and strife, with COVID being no exception, Levine said. Jewish ritual and liturgy already accounts for Jewish strife and resilience.

Though the pandemic has exposed more people to more death, questions and complicated feelings about death are no more clear, August said. The mystery of death remains a focal point of the Jewish tradition.

“Sometimes [patients] will ask me about Jewish beliefs about death,” August said. “It’s so varied; ask any Jew you’ll get a different answer.”

August’s job isn’t to provide the answer.

“People just want affirmation of what they hope,” she said. “I am there to help lift what’s on their heart.” •

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Schools

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head of school at the pre-K-eighth grade Abrams Hebrew Academy in Yardley.

Last year, Abrams students stayed in their classrooms all day, and teachers came to them. There were no lunches in the cafeteria, no art or music classes and no sports or clubs.

Abrams had one basic mission: get through an in-person school year. Everything else was secondary to avoiding the virus, Budow said.

None of the COVID vaccines had Food and Drug Administration approval until December. Even after they gained emergency use authorization, they weren't available to teachers and teenagers for several months.

"So everybody was under pressure," Budow said. "We're going to school; we're not protected at all."

This year, it's the opposite feeling.

Vaccinations have brought peace of mind. Cafeteria lunches have restored loud, lively lunch tables. Activities have revitalized student interests that transcend class subjects.

Only the masks remain as the obvious, undeniable sign that COVID is still alive.

"Everything else is back to normal," Budow said.

Christie Chiantese, who teaches second grade and middle school language arts, explained that it's vital for Abrams to be a community and not just a school.

"When you feel like you're part of a community, you tend to do more, be more, give more," she said.

But local Jewish schools wouldn't be able to pull this off without sound protocols, mostly developed during the uncertain 2021-'21 school year.

After the pandemic spring of 2020, which forced schools into the digital space, the Kellman Brown Academy had one chief



▲ Kellman Brown Academy students enjoy recess outside on a recent fall day. Courtesy of Toby Miller

priority for the following fall. Open, and stay open.

"To teach students in the safest way possible and also in the most normal way possible," said Rachel Zivic, KBA's head of school.

The pre-K-8 institution in Voorhees, New Jersey, came up with a strategy that it still uses in 2021-'22.

Have parents fill out a health questionnaire every morning on an app. Keep students at a 3-6 foot distance. Enforce masking.

KBA has not had a COVID case since reopening in the fall of 2020. Over the last two years, it also has welcomed more than 100 new students.

Zivic attributed some of the increase to the school's ability to pull off a safe, in-person year during COVID. She said some of those new students came from public schools.

"Everything was new last year, so we were inventing the wheel," Zivic added. "This year,

we have a template."

The head of school is prepared to continue her approach for as long as she needs to, and other administrators said the same. But just like the initial approval of vaccinations, there is now another possible "light at the end of the tunnel."

That would be vaccinations for children ages 5-11, which the FDA approved Oct. 29, according to media reports. The federal agency only granted emergency use authorization to the Pfizer vaccine, not the other two.

Local school leaders plan on encouraging vaccinations for young students. Several institutions, including Abrams, KBA and the Jack M. Barrack Hebrew Academy in Bryn Mawr, are even going to host vaccine clinics.

"Vaccinations are one of the key mitigation efforts that will enable us to return to normal," said Amy Buckman, the

When you feel like you're part of a community, you tend to do more, be more, give more."

CHRISTIE CHIANTESE

director of school and community relations for the Lower Merion School District.

But, as Barrack's head of school, Rabbi Marshall Lesack, put it, even inoculating the younger age group may not lead to the end of the pandemic. Local districts are prepared for COVID "to be with us for a while," he said.

At the same time, school leaders think students can handle that. Administrators

are not seeing restriction fatigue among students — like kids ripping masks off.

According to Besie Katz, the head of school at the Politz Hebrew Academy in Northeast Philadelphia, COVID is no longer consuming the life of a school.

"It's part of our life," she said. ●

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My Fellow Progressives Are Always Asking Me if Anti-Zionism is Antisemitic. Here's What I Tell Them



BY OREN JACOBSON

I'VE SPENT MOST of the last decade focused on grassroots organizing and capacity building inside the American progressive movement.

From helping build the largest leadership development organization on the left, to launching a first-of-its-kind organization to mobilize male allies into the fight to protect and expand reproductive freedom, I've proudly helped elect progressive change makers and pass landmark legislation.

I've done all of that as a Jew who wears a kippah in public, as someone who, statistically speaking, shouldn't exist. My grandfather is one of the 10% of Polish-born Jews to survive World War II. Three million of his Jewish neighbors, and another 3 million across Europe, were packed into boxcars and sent to the slaughter, to gas chambers, to the ovens.

What I am is central to who I am. So when I saw the statement from the Washington, D.C., chapter of the Sunrise Movement explaining its refusal to march in a voting rights rally with Jewish groups because they are "Zionists," I understood immediately that it was deeply problematic. Not only did the decision have the potential impact of spreading anti-Jewish bigotry, but it also weakened our movement more broadly at a time when democracy, which is necessary to ensure civil rights, is under

assault in America.

I also understood right away that, for many people, the anti-Jewish nature of the statement wasn't so obvious. When moments like this arise, I get texts and calls from progressive peers across the country who ask: "Is this antisemitic?"

To answer the question, I begin by explaining what it means to be a Jew. Judaism is the religion of the Jewish people. But Jewish identity is so much bigger and more diverse than religion. Some of us are deeply religious. Some of us are totally secular. All of us are Jews. We're a people, not simply a religious community. Contrary to what most think, antisemitism is not anti-Judaism in its modern form (several hundred years). It's anti-Jew. It's not about how Jews pray, but rather about who they are and what they are accused of doing.

Jews get attacked for supposedly controlling the world (governments, banks, media), for being disloyal to our home countries, for killing Jesus, for making up the Holocaust, for being greedy, for undermining the white race and subverting people of color (among other things).

We've been blamed for plagues, famine, economic hardship and war. Whatever major problem a society has, Jews have been blamed for it. None of those things has anything to do with religion.

Criticism of Israel or opposition to it isn't necessarily antisemitic. Harsh criticism of Israeli government policy may make us uncomfortable but isn't antisemitic. But the Sunrise DC statement wasn't about policy. By attacking "Zionist organizations" in a voting rights coalition, and saying that they can't participate in a coalition that includes them, Sunrise DC basically said it won't work

alongside Jewish organizations (or Jews) that believe the state of Israel has the right to exist.

For the average Jew, Zionism has become simply the idea that Israel has the right to exist, rather than an embrace of the policies of its government. The Zionist movement got its name in the late 19th century, but it really put a label on a 2,000-year-old yearning to return to the native land Jews were violently forced out of (in an act of colonization). That yearning grew over time as we failed to find sustained peace and security elsewhere, including in Europe, North Africa and the broader Middle East.

Judaism is the religion of the Jewish people. But Jewish identity is so much bigger and more diverse than religion.

That's why when people attack Zionists, we hear "Jews." We hear them saying that the 80-90% of Jews who believe Israel has a right to exist are unacceptable, and that Israel, a country that came into existence with the vote of the international community and today is home to 7 million Jews, must be ended.

Why is that antisemitism? First, it singles out Jews when most people believe Israel has the right to exist. (In fact, 85% of the general public in America believes the statement "Israel does not have a right to exist" is antisemitic, according to a survey released this week.) Second, it seeks to deny Jewish people the right to self-determination by erasing our peoplehood and connection to the land. Third, it declares that a national movement for Jews is uniquely unacceptable, while at the same time advocating in support of another

national movement.

Fourth, it divides Jews into good and bad. Only those who oppose their own national movement can stay. Only Jews who reject Zionism are allowed. Replace "Jew" with any other group and ask if that would be acceptable.

Even if you forswear coalitions with anyone, Jewish or not, who thinks Israel is legitimate, that still denies the Jewish people's right to self-determination. It says that Jews must be a perpetual minority on this earth subject to the whims and bigotries of the societies they live in. For thousands of years Jews tried that and failed to find perma-

ignored the voices and lived realities of 80-90% of any other minority group, most progressives would quickly recognize that as an act of tokenization to shield biases (or worse).

Some who identify as progressive feel it's OK to use the word "Zionist" to attack others, claiming that the word is not about Jews. I encourage everyone to go on far right-wing message boards on occasion. Once there, you'll see how white supremacists typically call Jews Zionists. The prominence of the word, in connection with claims that they control the governments and are trying to replace white "patriots" with Black and Brown "interlopers," will stun you.

While there is plenty of room for criticism of Israeli government policy, there should be no room for the exclusionary, reductionist and dehumanizing language of white nationalists in progressive discourse on the topic, or the denial of the right for Jewish self-determination on this earth.

I believe in standing up for those who are attacked for the crime of being who they are as much as I believe in standing up for Jewish life. For me, this work is personal. Not because every issue affects me directly. But because I feel like I owe it to my grandfather. To Jews who were murdered and never had a chance to live. To my peers here who face systemic racism and bigotry. And yes, because I believe "Never Again" isn't just a slogan to hope for, but rather a mission to fight for. •

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Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks Was the Last of His Kind



BY RABBI RAPHAEL ZARUM

RABBI LORD JONATHAN Sacks, who passed away on Nov. 7, 2020, left a legacy that is well known: As chief rabbi of the United Hebrew Congregations of the British Commonwealth, he led a renewal of vibrant Jewish life through the growth of Jewish schools and the revitalization of the London School of Jewish Studies; delivered erudite speeches, books and articles that inspired the United Synagogue and beyond by advocating a realistic, modern and yet uncompromisingly faithful view of traditional Orthodoxy; and served as a public intellectual whose wisdom was sought by politicians, academics, CEOs and other faith leaders around the globe.

But can his contribution to modern Jewish thought be easily summarized? As a dedicated disciple, I would never even attempt such a thing. But I can offer this. The colloquial term for a leading rabbinic sage is *gadol*, meaning, simply, “great.” With the rise of ultra-Orthodoxy, the word today evokes aged men garbed in monochrome, surrounded by devotees and making pronouncements from their insular enclaves. But the intricate discussions of Jewish

law of which these men are experts were described by Maimonides, the 12th-century scholar, as a *dvar katan* (small matter), reserving the phrase *dvar gadol* (great matter) for discussions of the nature and purpose of Creation.

A scholar must, Maimonides insisted, master the small before the great, for if the former makes up the framework of everyday Jewish life, it is the latter that establishes the ultimate value and meaning of existence — what we would call philosophy.

The title “*gadol*” should be reserved for a rabbinic scholar who is not only steeped in Jewish law, but also able to understand and address the deep questions of life: Why are we here? What is our purpose? How can we make a difference? A true *gadol* can speak to the religiously minded as well as to those of little or no faith. A *gadol* can translate ancient Jewish wisdom into contemporary insight and realistic policy.

To my mind, only Rabbi Sacks has earned the title of *gadol* in recent times.

Rabbis today, like the clergy of other religions, have been compartmentalized as the leaders of the faithful only, with little to say in the public square. The sad result is that many rabbis now perceive themselves in this limited way too. But Rabbi Sacks always championed “a Judaism engaged with the world.” He was able to speak to all people, using a language anyone could understand and that could move them to action. He was at home in the *beit midrash*, the Jewish house of study, and

in the academy, but he learned to be most at home in the community. Toward the end of “Morality,” his final book, he writes:

“I had the privilege of studying with some of the greatest philosophers of our time, yet I learned more about morality in my years as a congregational rabbi than I did at Oxford and Cambridge, and I did so by conducting funerals.

“As a young rabbi in an aging congregation, I often did not know the deceased personally, so I had to ask relatives and friends what they were like and what they would be remembered for. No one ever spoke about the clothes they wore or the cars they drove, the homes they lived in or the holidays they took. They spoke about their role in their family, their place in the congregation and its activities, the good deeds they did, the causes they supported, the voluntary work they undertook and the people they helped. It is not what we do for ourselves but what we give others that is our epitaph and that ultimately floods life with meaning.”

The loss of Rabbi Sacks is felt most acutely by British Jews proud that such a great thinker and rabbi emerged from their ranks. Yet his influence spread across the oceans to the entire Jewish world, and well beyond the Jewish community. He began as a rabbi in a small synagogue, then he became the chief rabbi of Anglo-Jewry and, in his later years, a rabbi to global Jewry as well as to some of the most influential people, both Jewish and non-Jewish, on the planet.

I am not fond of hyperbole, but I honestly wonder if we will ever see his kind again. He was a genuine *gadol*, a Jewish voice heard by all, a rabbi in the widest sense of the term.

But he is not the last true rabbi, because of the other great focus of his life: leadership and empowerment. I am just one of thousands of men and women for whom he is a crucial inspiration, who have built their leadership upon his principles. His many books line our shelves, and his deep belief in us compels us to continue his legacy.

No one can fill his shoes, but I am sure he would prefer that we fill our own. He would always say, “Education is not what we do, it is who we are.” Rabbi Sacks was not the last true rabbi, precisely because he was a true rabbi to the last. •

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KVETCH 'N' KVELL

Non-white Jews Often Overlooked

I APPRECIATED MANISHTANA'S PIECE, “The ‘Jewface’ Debate About Casting Non-Jews as Jews Betrays an Ashkenazi Bias” (Oct. 21), which sheds light on Ashkenormativity. Ashkenazic Jews tend to forget that there are many Jews in the world who are not white.

I’m a playwright, and when my play, “A Modest Suggestion,” opened in New York, one critic asked why we didn’t cast a Jew in the Jewish role. The role was, in fact, played by a Jew of Middle Eastern descent.

I’m a Yemenite Jew, and I can’t tell you how many family functions I’ve attended in which relatives turn to my Ashkenazic wife and ask if I’m Jewish, even though I’m typically a more observant Jew than the person asking. I’ve also had many horrible experiences of walking into an Ashkenazic shul holding a tallis bag, only to be asked by security, “Can I help you?”

Ashkenazic Jews would do well to remember that Judaism was not born in Europe, and their white skin makes the authenticity of their Jewishness just as dubious as anyone else’s.

Ken Kaissar | Yardley

Not So Fast

Manishtana’s piece on the “Jewface” debate (“The ‘Jewface’ Debate About Casting Non-Jews as Jews Betrays an Ashkenazi Bias,” Oct. 21) quoted comedienne Sarah Silverman as saying: “if the Jewish character (portrayed in a Hollywood film) is courageous or deserves love, she is never played by a Jew. Ever!”

Not quite.

The actress Rachel Weisz, who is Jewish and whose parents are both Jewish, portrayed Emory Professor Deborah Lipstadt in the 2016 award-winning film “Denial.” In the film, Lipstadt, who had courageously singled out David Irving as a “dangerous spokesperson for Holocaust denial” in her 1993 book “Holocaust Denial,” successfully defends herself in a trial against Irving’s accusations of libel and defamation. •

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Southern Fried Chicken and Carrot Slaw

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I HAD A HANKERING for fried chicken last week. This happens about once a year.

The chicken is delicious but — like all fried food — is best enjoyed in small doses and on rare occasions.

Oftentimes, a fried chicken dinner is accompanied by biscuits, gravy, mashed potatoes, onion rings — all of which are delicious indulgences. But on top of the fried chicken, these heavy, dense dishes leave me feeling somewhere between stuffed and ill.

I managed to avoid that fate on the Sunday in question when I concocted the idea of serving the chicken with a

green salad and some carrot slaw. The carrots were oh-so-fresh, having been bought that day at the farmers market, and the slaw complemented the chicken nicely.

SOUTHERN FRIED CHICKEN

Serves 2-4

The traditional version of this recipe uses buttermilk as the marinade, but for kosher and kosher-style diners, this is a problem. Instead, you can substitute a nondairy milk, mayonnaise mixed with water or oil.

The technique I used to finish cooking the chicken in the oven was a cinch; one of the challenges with frying chicken is ensuring that it is cooked

through without cutting it open or piercing it with a meat thermometer. If it's done, you have let some of the flavor and juice escape; if it's not, you are putting a cut piece back into the sizzling fat. Neither is a great option.

I used two large bone-in breasts, which I cut into three pieces each for a total of six pieces. This served two of us generously with two pieces left for lunch the next day. Quantities can be adjusted for your crowd as needed, and you can substitute the cuts that you prefer, such as drumsticks, wings, etc. The cooking time may slightly vary if the pieces are thinner and smaller.

For the chicken:

- 2 large bone-in chicken breasts, cut in 2 or 3



▲ Southern fried chicken

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- pieces, each about the size of a woman's fist
- ½ cup mayonnaise mixed with ½ cup water to achieve a milk-like consistency
- 1 onion, sliced

- ½ jalapeno pepper, sliced
- 1 teaspoon salt

For the coating:

- ⅔ cup all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder

For the frying:

- 6-8 cups canola oil or solid vegetable shortening such as Crisco; it should be about 1½ inches deep in the pan

In a large zip-seal bag, mix all the marinade ingredients and place the chicken in the bag to coat. Marinate it for 2-24 hours. About 2 hours before cooking, remove the bag from the refrigerator and allow it to come to room temperature.

Mix the coating ingredients in another large zip-seal bag and shake the bag to mix.

Place a wire rack on a baking tray and, one piece at a time, shake off the marinade and place the chicken in the flour mixture, shake it to coat, remove it and place on the rack.

Heat your oven to 275 degrees F. Heat the oil in a large cast-iron skillet or similarly heavy pan with a lid. When the oil reaches 350 degrees F (use a candy thermometer) place

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Film Fest Returns In-Person With New Mission

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THOSE MISSING the buttery taste of movie theater popcorn finally have the chance to nosh on their favorite cinema snacks once more, as in-person screenings return for the 41st Annual Philadelphia Jewish Film Festival: Fall Fest.

Presented by Philadelphia Jewish Film and Media, formerly the Gershan Philadelphia Film Festival, the film festival will run from Nov. 7-20, with both in-person screenings and virtual on-demand streaming options.

In addition to the in-person screenings of nine films, PJFM will offer 22 weeklong on-demand screenings both weeks of the festival and select virtual livestreams.

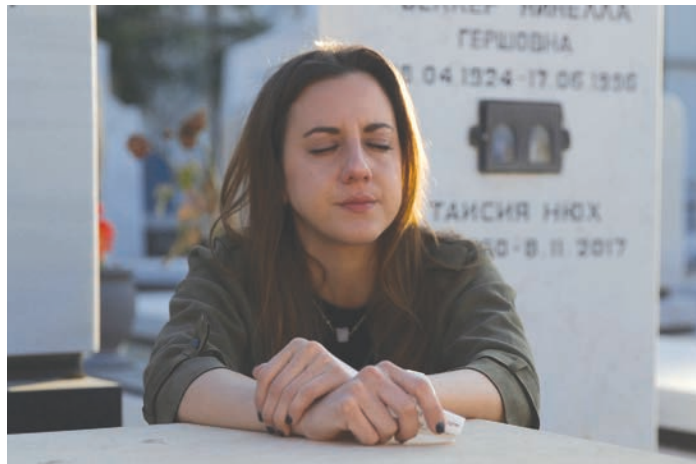
PJFM's first hybrid film festival isn't the only thing differentiating this year's Fall Fest from its predecessors.

"We've changed a lot in the past year," said Olivia Antsis, PJFM's executive artistic director.

PJFM's new name, with the intentional addition of the word "media," better reflects the trending interest in multimedia cinema and art that branches off from the traditional film format.

"The advent of social media and video sharing platforms like YouTube and Tik Tok has made it possible for anyone with access to a smartphone and an internet connection to create content and share it across the globe," Antsis said.

Besides feature-length films, the Fall Fest will show short films and the second annual New Media Day, an opportunity to sample multimedia Jewish digital storytelling, which was created last year as a way to adapt to the virtual restrictions of the pandemic. Last year's event was a "resounding success,"



▲ "American Birthright," a documentary about interfaith marriage, will screen on Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. as part of Young Friends Night.

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according to Antsis, and had nearly 1,000 attendees.

Along with the festival format and its offerings changing, the content of the films will also differ, featuring stories of Jews from across the globe, and even some stories from non-Jewish perspectives.

The decision to expand PJFM's programming came from the feedback of more than two dozen Jewish movie lovers who felt that Jewish film needed to be as diverse as the Jewish community it was meant to serve.

"There was a hunger for films that offered new and diverse perspectives on some of the common themes and topics explored at Jewish film festivals around the world," Antsis said.

Antsis is looking forward to audiences viewing "200 Meters," the story of a Palestinian man in his struggle to visit his son, who is just 200 meters away, but on the other side of an Israeli checkpoint.

"Wet Dog" also provides a unique point of view, Antsis said, as the film depicts an Iranian Jew's experience in a predominantly Muslim area of Berlin, where he runs into and joins a gang with members spewing antisemitic beliefs.

"One of the most valuable gifts film festivals can offer to their audiences is the

opportunity to broaden their worldview and increase empathy and understanding," Antsis said.

PJFM believes that a diversity in film content will attract a diversity of audience members, hoping to draw in younger crowds who may not be familiar with the film festival.

Over the summer, PJFM launched Young Friends, an initiative for Jewish young professionals, creatives and movie lovers aged 21-39 to become more involved in Jewish film events. Young Friends offers viewings, movie discounts and special events.

"We're actually Philadelphia's first film festival; we're the second-longest-running Jewish film festival in the country," said Matt Bussy, PJFM's program and digital marketing manager. "There's



"Wet Dog" tells the story of an Iranian Jewish boy in Berlin who joins a gang with antisemitic members.

a lot of younger people here in Philly that haven't even heard of us, and we really feel like we can change that."

During Fall Fest, PJFM will host a Young Friends Night on Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. at the National Museum of American Jewish History for a screening of "American Birthright," a documentary about the filmmaker's journey — both physical and spiritual — to Israel, as she explores the idea of interfaith marriage after her sister marries a non-Jew.

Following the screening, Young Friends members are invited to attend a happy hour with documentary director Becky Tahel Bordo.

"American Birthright" is a film for all audiences, Bussy said, but its light-hearted nature and generationally-relevant topic make it a good fit for

Young Friends members.

"Young people, especially after the year we've had, just want to have a good time," Bussy said. "They want to meet new people; they want to watch entertaining films that are perceptive and well done, but also just fun."

Proof of COVID vaccination with a vaccine card or photo of a card is required for in-person screenings. Masks are required inside, and there is limited capacity in the theaters.

Tickets for individual events are \$15, and all-access passes are \$180 for in-person and virtual screenings, \$140 for virtual-only screenings and \$40 for New Media Day. For more information, visit phillyjfm.org. •

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'Curb' Misses the Larry-Cheryl Marriage

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A FEW WEEKS AGO, before the start of the 11th season of "Curb Your Enthusiasm," some Jewish Philadelphians made an interesting point about the show.

In an Oct. 14 Jewish Exponent story, they argued that "Curb" has had two distinct periods.

Before Larry David's split from his show wife Cheryl, played by Cheryl Hines, and after. Larry and Cheryl broke up after a season six episode in 2007; David brushed off his wife's fearful call from a turbulent airplane because he had to deal with the TiVo guy.

(Very 2007.)

The locals said that, when Larry was married to Cheryl, the show revolved more around their married world of friends and social occasions. Post-Cheryl, "Curb" has focused on Larry and Leon, played by J.B. Smoove, and Larry's general misdeeds out in the world.

Some thought the shift made the show funnier. Others didn't.

But regardless of where they came down, their larger point was hard to unsee during the first two episodes of the new season.

Whereas Larry used to be a ridiculous character grounded in a specific, married world, he's now a loose cannon

unmoored from any sense of normalcy. Several seasons into this dynamic, it's harder to suspend one's disbelief as a viewer.

In 2021, "Curb" feels like watching the Larry David caricature that America knows so well. It doesn't, however, feel like watching a real character. The balance between the two used to make "Curb" feel at least somewhat real.

Yet this doesn't take away too much from the show's humor.

It's certainly funnier and more shocking to watch a real person pick fights with people over awkward social conventions. But it's still funny to watch the Larry David caricature do it, too.

The first episode of the new season, "The Five-Foot Fence," aired on Oct. 24 and revolved around a classic "Curb" set piece: a funeral for the still-living actor and comedian Albert Brooks.

Brooks, like most "Curb" celebrities, played an exaggerated version of himself. He wanted to host his own funeral to hear people say nice things about him while he was still living.

Larry, of course, mocks the bit and offends Brooks. There's also a 10 out of 10 cameo from Don Draper himself: the actor Jon Hamm, who totally commits to the funeral bit.

When Hamm opens his eulogy to Brooks with the Yiddish word *tsuris*, meaning trouble or distress, you know that's what's coming. And it does, in the form of a hilarious, topical COVID joke that will take you back to the lockdown days of March 2020.

The rest of the episode features a classic Larry-Susie fight over whether Susie "plopped" on the couch, forcing Larry to spill wine, a commentary on how walking into a glass door makes you look unattractive, a shakedown of Larry by a local restaurant owner and a deeply uncomfortable dispute over money.

It all works, and it will make you crack up from your seat on your couch.

The same is true of season 11, episode two, "Angel Muffin," which aired on Oct. 31.

That one centers on maybe the most vintage "Curb" bit there is: Larry and his best friend/manager Jeff, played by Jeff Garlin, doing ignorant and moronic things together.

Larry picks a fight with a Netflix executive, with whom he's developing a show, over an automatic toilet seat in the building's bathroom that won't stay up. And Jeff recommends a dentist to Larry so Larry can help him get intel on one of the



▲ Larry David, star of "Curb Your Enthusiasm"

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office's assistants.

Jeff slept with the woman and paid for her abortion. But he believes she's sticking him up by asking for more money to deal with "complications."

David and Garlin having trivial conversations and getting into dumb shenanigans remains the underrated heartbeat of the show's schtick. Like the bits in the first episode, it still works, too.

It remains difficult to get through a "Curb" scene without laughing and then enunciating "Oh my God!" And for a few seasons post-Cheryl, Larry being alone was a breath of fresh comedic air.

He became pals with the hilarious Leon; he brought the "Seinfeld" crew back together for a reunion in a failed attempt to cast Cheryl and win her back; he had relations with a Palestinian woman who hated Jews; he went to New York City; competed for a love interest with Rosie O'Donnell; and turned Bill Buckner, the Boston Red Sox first baseman who blew the 1986 World Series, into a momentary comedic sensation.

But the novelty has worn off. Now, "Curb" is just Larry schtick. We have reached the point where the legend stands above the show, instead of making it great. ●

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WHEN ELI ROBBINS moved to Philadelphia in 2014, his first job was designing animal habitats for local zoos.

After receiving a bachelor's degree in architectural studies and a minor in studio arts at the University of Pittsburgh, the Hershey native moved to Portland, Oregon, where he earned a master's in architecture from the University of Oregon.

During his time at design firms in New York after graduate school, Robbins, 32, honed a passion for experience design, combining software and architecture to build digital and physical user-friendly spaces, such as animal habitats, museums and office spaces.

A 2021 Tribe12 alum, Robbins recently launched Civio Studio, a design agency with a focus on creating accessible spaces and technologies, influenced by Robbins' own experience being paralyzed in early 2020.

When did you come up with the idea for Civio Studio?

I mean, it really came from my own lived experience. In the beginning of 2020, early February, I was diagnosed with Guillain-Barré syndrome.

What was your experience with Guillain-Barré syndrome?

I was working at a design company called Primer Design. When I was working there, I started having a series of very unusual symptoms that happened very rapidly and kept piling on.

It started with a numbness in my mouth and then a tingling in my hands, and just kind of a powering down. Over the course of five days, I became paralyzed.

Long story short, I was in the



▲ Eli Robbins in his hometown of Hershey

Photo by Rachel Robbins

hospital for a couple of months. I was barely able to do anything; I couldn't even really hold my phone. But it was a slow process of getting out of that and, fortunately, it's treatable.

How did your experience with GBS impact the development of Civio?

When you go through something like this, a significant life experience, it kind of makes you reflect on what's important.

I wanted to refocus the work that I was doing on work that had meaning — down this path of really trying to understand

accessibility on a much deeper level. That pushed me into two directions: One direction was developing a product; I've always wanted to teach myself how to become a [user experience] designer, and I also realized that I wanted to start my own design agency. So that pushed me into starting Civio Studio.

And the other thing that happened was I started to develop this web app called civio.io, which was really trying to solve problems that I had when discharged from rehab.

What problems were those?

Once you get discharged, you're just sort of on your own, and it's really up to you to get the devices you need, to make all of your appointments, to figure out how to exist in your home that you previously existed in as a

more able-bodied person.

And one small part of that problem is getting the actual assistive technologies and the medical equipment — these are all the things that you need to start living independently again. For some people that might be in a wheelchair; it could be a walker, canes; it could be software if you're blind. It can be any number of things, but there isn't a very streamlined process from leaving rehab to acquiring those things. That was the problem I'm trying to solve with civio.io.

How has your Jewish upbringing and values impacted your desire to create accessible spaces and designs?

There weren't a lot of Jews that I grew up near. We call ourselves "ATJH" — all the Jews in Hershey — which was a really

tight-knit group of people.

I was really involved in [United Synagogue Youth] and became the regional president for the eastern Pennsylvania region. There's a whole position on the board of USY for repairing the world. So, that was always a fundamental understanding I had, that a part of fundamentally being Jewish is thinking about, "How do we repair the world?"

My father was a physician; he passed away in April. [Tikkun olam] was his whole life. He was a corneal surgeon. And I think about just how many eyes he helped see. He's also the son of a Holocaust survivor. That was something that was a fundamental part of our family's view of the world, our Jewishness. •

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Re-reading Prophecy

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Parshat Toldot

THIS WEEK IN Parshat Toldot we enter into a cycle of sibling rivalry beginning with Jacob and Esau, a motif that repeats itself through the rest of the Book of Genesis.

From the beginning of the parsha, it seems almost foreordained that struggle and conflict would become the natural course of events. God responds to Rebekah's entreaties about her troubled pregnancy with a prophetic message:

Two nations are in your womb,

Two separate peoples shall issue from your body;

One people shall be mightier than the other,

And the older shall serve the younger. (Genesis 25:23)

Rebekah's reliance on this early prophecy seems to guide her later in the parsha when she helps engineer Jacob's stealing of the birthright and blessing from his older brother (Gen. 27).

But what if the usurping of

the elder son's power was not necessarily a *fait accompli* from the beginning of their lives?

In his commentary on this prophecy the Biblical scholar Robert Alter notes that some, like Richard Elliot Friedman, say that the Hebrew syntax can be read as either its traditional form of "the elder shall serve the younger" or in a different form "the elder, the younger shall serve (Alter, Genesis)." This, of course, would have led to a very different outcome in the ensuing narrative, avoiding the years of estrangement Jacob experienced with his brother.

When we encounter events or stories in the Torah that perplex or disturb us, like Jacob's outwitting of his brother Esau, we are faced with an interpretive dilemma. Many of our Biblical commentators seek to justify Jacob's (and Rebekah's) deceptive behavior. Rashi draws from midrashic readings to paint a picture of Esau as wicked and undeserving of the birthright, and the later Temple service that it is connected to.

Other commentators are a variation on the same theme. They generally conclude that

for the survival of Jacob and later of Israel, deception was necessary and justified since Jacob was interacting with a sibling who was morally suspect. I find that this line of reasoning usually leaves me unconvinced.

A second interpretive strategy sees the choice of deceptive behaviors as a cautionary tale. To ensure his leadership in the clan Jacob turned to deception and paid the price twice over. He had to live on the run and later was himself deceived by his uncle Laban when he was forced to work an additional seven years to marry his intended, Rachel (Gen. 29).

In this reading, perhaps we conclude that we don't need to follow a deceptive path to achieve our goal or, that if we do, hardship might lay ahead.

But yet a third interpretive path might be to ask the question of whether this setup of having to fight for a blessing and birthright was necessary. This setup is partially based on the idea that the eldest son is assumed to inherit a double portion from the parent, thereby ensuring sufficient wealth and resources to maintain leadership in the

clan unit. However, some scholarship suggests that this may not have been the case at all, and that holding the birthright did not necessarily mean economically favoring the elder child (Hiers, "Transfer of Property by Inheritance and Bequest in Biblical Law and Tradition," 1993).

Jacob, Esau and their parents were operating in a zero-sum world with the assumption that birthright and blessing is a limited quantity — only enough to go around for one child.

But what if the prophecy that Rebekah received was actually meant to be read both ways — that each child should serve the other, and that service could also be understood as support rather than enslavement?

In this rereading, the prophecy suggests that the peoples who are greater, endowed with particular advantages or gifts, might serve/support other peoples, spreading knowledge and wealth for the greatest benefit.

The prophecy might sound like, "Two nations are in your womb ... One people shall be mightier than the other [in

gifts/advantages], and yet each shall serve the other [to create the greatest advantage for all]."

In an era when we are in desperate need of international cooperation and collaboration on an unprecedented scale to solve challenges that affect the survival and flourishing of the human race, perhaps we are in need of rereadings of our stories that encourage us to see the potential of new cooperative paradigms that we never thought may have existed. •

Rabbi Nathan Martin serves as the associate rabbi at Congregation Beth Israel of Media and heads the Board of Pennsylvania Interfaith Power and Light, a nonprofit working with faith communities to respond to climate change and pursue climate justice. The Board of Rabbis of Greater Philadelphia is proud to provide diverse perspectives on Torah commentary for the Jewish Exponent. The opinions expressed in this column are the author's own and do not reflect the view of the Board of Rabbis.



Tree

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by the corner of Shady and Wilkins avenues throughout the day, with many finding comfort at the nearby tent, where therapists and canine advocates stood ready to welcome passersby.

Alliyah Kimbrough and Stephanie Rodriguez, both from UpStreet Pittsburgh, a teen mental health program of JFCS, said some people wanted to talk, while others enjoyed petting the dogs. One woman showed up on a bike and left cookies that she said Jerry Rabinowitz would have liked.

People seemed grateful, Rodriguez said, that someone was there to support them.

Around 1:30 p.m. almost 50 middle and high school students from Hillel Academy of Pittsburgh arrived at the Tree of Life building to recite Psalms.

What happened there three years ago is very much "a part of their history," said Rabbi Yisroel Smith, an assistant principal at the school. "It's important for the students to come here and reflect on the people who died and the event."

Although most of the teenagers were in Pittsburgh on Oct. 27, 2018, two members

of the group were not: Israeli natives Ruth Goren and Efrat Schussheim arrived in Pittsburgh a few weeks ago to serve a year of voluntary national service.

Neither Goren nor Schussheim had come to the corner of Wilkins and Shady prior to Oct. 27. Standing there helped them appreciate the city they'd heard so much about prior to their arrival.

"Being here makes us feel connected to the whole community of Pittsburgh," Goren said.

Schussheim said she got the feeling that people wanted "to be together and support each other."

Barb Feige, Tree of Life's executive director, said that

throughout the day several people walked by and left mementos. Others signed the guest book or offered a kind word to people standing nearby. Many individuals drove by and offered acknowledgment by honking or waving from their cars.

Whereas the first year after the attack felt very traumatic, and the second year was largely dictated by the pandemic, this year people seemed to be developing more of a routine in how they approach the day or the building, Feige said.

"There's a lot of us who are still grieving in our own ways, and healing isn't a straight path," she said. She thinks

people are beginning to figure out for themselves "what they need to do to heal."

Tree of Life was there to help with that, having people on site ready to listen, Feige explained, because as much as the congregation is committed to honoring the victims, the focus is also on supporting the community.

The aim of Tree of Life on Oct. 27, and the other 364 days a year, she said, "is give back as much as we can, just be here and say thank you." •

Adam Reinherz is a staff writer with the Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle, an affiliated publication of the Jewish Exponent.

ANNIVERSARY

► MILLER

Diane and Murray Miller of Philadelphia were honored at Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel in Elkins Park on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 16.

Photo by Elliot Miller



ENGAGEMENT

► KAHAN-GOLDSCHIEDER

Ruth z”l and Stephen H. Saks of Lansdale announce the engagement of their granddaughter, Roni Kahan, to Yonah Goldscheider.

The parents are Amy z”l and Dr. Jeremy Kahan of Jerusalem and Karen and Rabbi Aaron Goldscheider of Jerusalem.

Roni received a B.A. in psychology from Stern College of Yeshiva University. She is a bus director for Girls Israel Volunteer Experience of the National Council of Synagogue Youth and a maker of sheitels.

Yonah is pursuing a B.A. in communications and English literature at Bar-Ilan University.

A wedding in Israel is planned for early 2022.



Photo by Tovah Kahan

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Bucks County Rabbis and Cantors Council Issues Statement About Recent Antisemitism

THE BUCKS COUNTY RABBIS and Cantors Council issued a statement Oct. 28 denouncing antisemitic language, threats of violence and racism made in recent weeks against county school board members, particularly the Pennsbury School District.

Pennsbury School Board President Christine Toy-Dragoni has told the media that said she had received threatening emails, social media messages and cellphone messages because of the district’s imposition of a mask mandate to combat the pandemic.

“If all of this wasn’t disgusting enough, several e-mails my fellow board members have received are violently antisemitic,” Toy-Dragoni said. “Many messages, including the threat of rape against my family members and me, were anti-immigrant. Other messages were horrifically transphobic.”

Newsweek reported that Toy-Dragoni released censored screenshots of messages that included the phrases “Death to the Jew” and “Good men are waking up to the Jew sickness.” Another message said that she was “lucky” that parents did not “kill you and your whole family.”

In response, the council issued a statement signed by 11 members that, in part, reads:

“The threats of violence, racist language, and antisemitic comments have no place in our community or in our country. We, the leaders of the Bucks County Jewish community, stand together to condemn the threats of physical violence and hateful language in the strongest terms.

“We call upon all members of our community to condemn the threats of violence and to refrain from the use of any language that may be considered racist, homophobic, transphobic, and antisemitic. We plead with elected school board members, elected officials, and the community at large to return to the use of civil discourse and to show respect for one another as human beings ...

“Our children are watching and learning from our words and our actions. We want our children to debate the issues and respect the democratic process passionately and respectfully without fear of violence or bigoted attacks.”

A “Vigil to Unite Against Extremism, Hate & Violence” was held Nov. 1 at the Garden of Reflection in Yardley.

Jewish Community Contributor Don Wolfe Waldman Dies at 86

Don Wolfe Waldman, who was active in multiple Jewish community organizations throughout his life,

► Don Waldman

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died Sept. 22. He was 86.

A native of Philadelphia, he worked with his father, brother and son in the heating oil business his grandfather founded. He was a principal of Waldman Oil, Stott Waldman and Duck Island Terminal, which were wholesalers and distributors of petroleum products.

Waldman participated in several missions to Israel and was active in the Abramson Center for Jewish Life, JCC Central Board and the Jewish Federation board of trustees. He was a member of Congregation Adath Jeshurun, served on its board of trustees and endowed its Hebrew Arts Series. He also served as the president of the Jewish Community Centers of Philadelphia. ●

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Chicken

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several pieces of chicken in the pan. Do not crowd the pan; a large skillet holds 3-4 pieces at most.

Cover and cook the chicken for 6 minutes. At 3 minutes, raise the lid and, using tongs, check that the chicken is not sticking to the bottom. Replace the cover. At 6 minutes, flip the chicken pieces and cook them for another 6 minutes. Remove the chicken from the pan and place it back on the rack. Repeat this process until all pieces are fried.

Place the chicken on the rack over the pan in the oven and allow it to cook for about 20 minutes. This ensures that the chicken is cooked through without drying it. Serve immediately.

CARROT SLAW

Serves 4 generously

Use the freshest carrots you can find; the flavor and crispness make a big difference.

- 10 large carrots, unpeeled, ends removed
- 1 small onion
- 1 scant handful fresh parsley
- ¼ cup mayonnaise
- ¼ cup plain Greek yogurt
- Juice of ½ lemon
- ¼ cup pickle juice
- Salt and pepper to taste

Using a food processor, shred the carrots, onions and parsley. Place them in a bowl and add the remaining ingredients. Toss to blend, and allow the mixture to sit for several hours for maximum flavor. •



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AARON

Paul Meyer Aaron, passed away on October 24, 2021. Husband of the late Ruth (nee Perl). Father of Miriam (Rick) Sebek and the late Michael Aaron. Brother of Jack Aaron, Estelle Fleischer and the late Martin Aaron. Grandfather of Sara (Jason) Kreisman and Rabbi Joel (Eliana) Seltzer. Great-Grandfather of Isaac, Samuel, Asher and Nili Kreisman, and Ayelet, Talia and Noa Seltzer. Contributions in his memory may be made to Camp Ramah in the Poconos www.ramahpoconos.org GOLDSTEIN'S ROSENBERG'S RAPHAEL-SACKS www.goldsteinsfuneral.com

BERKOW

Esther Berkow — beloved mother and grandmother, pioneer nurse practitioner, and champion of children — died on October 14, 2021 in Lansdale, Pennsylvania. Esther was born in Chicago and grew up in Baltimore, Maryland. After high school, Esther trained as a registered nurse and then married her high school sweetheart, Robert Berkow, who was studying medicine. Esther accompanied Robert while he completed a stint in the U.S. Air Force, before they settled in Rochester, New York. In 1968, as one of only six participants, Esther completed a brand-new pilot program to become a nurse practitioner. She went on to specialize in pediatric medicine, starting in Rochester, where she partnered with Dr. Cenie Cafarelli. Esther liked to say that she had five hundred children under the age of twelve — her beloved patients. In 1975, the family moved to the Philadelphia area, where Esther helped found and then led a well-baby clinic under the auspices of the Visiting Nurses Association in Lansdale, PA. In this role, she served hundreds of low-income mothers and their children — and in some cases their grandchildren — over the next two decades. Throughout her life, Esther contributed to the fight for social and racial justice and advocated for children, with whom she always fostered a special connection. A life-long learner, she pursued a range of interests and devoted time and energy to developing her many creative talents and exploring her love of nature. Most of all, however, Esther's signature gift to all who crossed her path manifested through her generous and caring nature, her kindness, and her focused desire and ability to nurture others. She exercised an impressive level of agency throughout her life — drawing on her fiercely independent spirit to chart her own course, guided always by a set of deeply held values and a strong moral compass. Esther is survived by three children of her own — Michael, Ruth (Ron-deceased), and Susan (Pierre) — along with her adopted-by-practice daughter Nancy and four grandchildren — Rachel, Naomi, Ben, and Joseph. All who knew her will sorely miss her presence but take comfort from the precious, cherished memories that remain. The family would direct anyone interested in making a donation in Esther's memory to Smile Train and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund.

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COHAN

Robert M. Cohan, October 24, 2021, of Philadelphia, PA; beloved husband of Elaine (nee Landsburg) and the late Lois (nee Bacharach); loving father of Daniel Cohan (Sara), Gary Cohan, David Cohan (Rene), Jean Chatzky (Eliot Kaplan), Eric Sherman and David Sherman (Allison Kettlewell); cherished grandfather of Elizabeth, Rachel, Jake, Julia, Ellie, Benjamin, Cydney, Dylan, Jessica and Stephanie. Bob was a proud graduate of Central High School, Class 197. Contributions in Robert's memory may be made to Survivor Mitzvah Project (www.survivormitzvah.org).

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FELDMAN

Dr. Julian David Feldman (Jud), of Philadelphia passed away on October 28, 2021 at the age of 88. He was a devoted husband to Sunny Feldman, loving father of Beth (Ben) and Michael (Savannah), and proud grandfather to Daniel, Samantha, Vale and Charley. Jud graduated from Lower Merion High School, Penn State University and Jefferson Medical College. He practiced Obstetrics and Gynecology for more than 40 years, bringing thousands of babies into the world. Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, please consider a contribution to The Julian and Sunny Feldman Endowed Scholarship at Cooper Medical School of Rowan University go.rowan.edu/feldmanmemorial.

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FINKEL

Miriam Finkel (nee Lippman), age 94, passed away October 27, 2021. Beloved wife of the late Morris Finkel. Loving mother of Kenneth Finkel (Margaret O. Kirk), Amy Finkel (Richard J. Braemer), the late Ned H. Finkel, and daughter-in-law, Tawnya Finkel. She was predeceased by her brothers Nathan Lippman and Richard Lippman, and her twin sister, Hannah Pickett. Loving grandmother of Kirk N. Finkel (Samantha), Benjamin J. Finkel (Caitlin), Mack S. Finkel, Elizabeth Isanuk (Daniel), Kathryn Braemer (Matthew), Abby Richardson (Dominic) and Molly Finkel, great-grandmother of Leo Isanuk, Naomie Isanuk and Theo Richardson. Contributions in her memory may be made to Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel-General Fund, 8339 Old York Rd. Elkins Park, PA 19027. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

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FRANKS

Saul Franks 1935-2021, October 26, 2021. Beloved husband of almost 65 years to his late darling wife, Adele G. Devoted father of Gail Franks, Stuart (Toby) Franks and Jacki (Richard) Heacox. Proud grandfather of Jason Franks, Torey (Sara) Franks, Colby Franks Pellegrini (Kay), Shane Heacox, Blaise Heacox and Remi Heacox. Proud great grandfather of Arthur 'Artie' Franks and beloved dog, the late Rajah. Saul very proudly served his country as a United States Marine. GOLDSTEIN'S ROSENBERG'S RAPHAEL-SACKS www.goldsteinsfuneral.com

GREISLER

Marc Greisler 7/24/59 - 9/20/21, Father of Grant Greisler & Austin Greisler. Brother of Scott Greisler. Services were private. Contributions in his memory may be made to: The American Cancer Society or to a charity of the donor's choice.

KAUFFMAN

Harriet M. Kaufman (nee Risack) October 26, 2021, of Lafayette Hill, PA, formerly of Woodbridge, NJ, wife of the late Jerry, mother of Sherri (Dr. Laurence) Belkoff, and Kenneth (Debra) Kaufman, sister of Sandra Sovel, grandmother of Joshua Belkoff, Emily Belkoff, Dr. Andie Belkoff and Jeremy Kaufman. Mrs. Kaufman was a graduate of The New Jersey State Teachers College and taught early childhood education. She took piano lessons at the Juilliard School of Music. Contributions in her memory may be made to the Caron Foundation, 243 N. Galen Hall Rd., Wernersville, PA 19565.

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LANDESBERG

Marcia Landesberg (nee Passon) on October 26, 2021. Beloved wife of the late Harold L.; Loving mother of Fern L. Myers (Tim), Geoffrey Landesberg (Gail), and David Landesberg (Amy); Devoted grandmother of Gavin (Taisa), Ella, Noah, Griffin, and Maia. Contributions in her memory may be made to Israel Tennis and Education Centers, 165 E. 56th St., 2nd Fl., New York, NY 10022, www.itecenters.org

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MAGAZINER

Edith B. Magaziner, on October 25th at the age of 94. Loving mother of Rob (Sheryl), Jonathan (Hilary Marcus), and Diane Magaziner (Mark Sheppard); adoring grandmother of Sarah, Alison, Leah, Benjamin, Noah and Maayan. Contributions in her memory may be made to the Hearing Loss Association of America www.hearingloss.org/donate GOLDSTEIN'S ROSENBERG'S RAPHAEL-SACKS www.goldsteinsfuneral.com

ROSEN

Shirlee Rosen (nee Garfinkel), September 4, 2021 of Philadelphia, PA; beloved wife of the late Herbert Rosen; loving mother of Fern Renee Rosen (fiancée Brian Masek) and cherished aunt of Shelley Aten. Contributions in Shirlee's memory may be made to Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center (giving.mskcc.org) or a charity of the donor's choice.

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It is with much love and profound sadness that we report the passing of Joan Ostrum Pearlstein of Philadelphia on October 25th, peacefully surrounded by her family, at the age of 83. Joan was a woman of many interests: an avid reader, an active member of Beth Am Israel synagogue, a devoted sports fan, and an athlete herself. When she wasn't playing tennis or golf you could see her rooting for the Eagles or passionately following the Phillies. She had been a baseball fan since she was a girl, when she and a friend founded and were co-presidents of the Lou Limmer Fan Club (of the old Philadelphia A's), of which they were the only two members. Joan was the center of her extended family, and especially cherished her special relationship with her six grandchildren. As a mother she spent endless hours driving her kids to and from their practices and watching every single game, and did the same as a grandmother. Her generosity and love went beyond words. Joan Hannah Ostrum was born on December 24, 1937 in Germantown, and grew up above her father's pharmacy, where as a little girl she would assist making milkshakes in the old-fashioned soda fountain. She graduated with a degree in Education from Temple in 1958 and began teaching at Stokley Elementary School in Strawberry Mansion. In 1960 Joan loaned a dress to a girlfriend who had a date with a young med student, and dragged him over to Joan's house to show it off. Two weeks later that med student, Phil Pearlstein, asked Joan out on their first date. They went on to marry and spend 60 wonderful years together. Joan was incredibly resilient and overcame the loss of her own mother as a small child to create a wonderful life for herself, her husband, and their three beautiful children. She and Phil loved the Jersey shore, and spent much of their free time in a house they bought in Ventnor, NJ in 1966. In addition to raising their children and overseeing Phil's medical practice, Joan always had an artistic eye and an elegant sense of style, which led to a rewarding career as an antique dealer. Keeping fit was also a priority: Every morning for 40 years Joan and her dear friend Bobbie would walk for miles, then join the regulars at Murray's Delicatessen for breakfast. Joan was an intensely strong woman. Before succumbing to a glioblastoma, she had survived two previous cancers and was even hit by a car in 2019 and walked away without a scratch, attending her usual Pilates class that same afternoon. She always talked about how lucky she was to have such a loving and close family, and fought till the end to be with them. Because of that determination, in the last six months of her life she was present to celebrate various family milestones, including an elementary school graduation, two college graduations, her 60th wedding anniversary, and the weddings of her two oldest grandchildren. She was very insistent how grateful she was to have had such a great life. Joan is survived by her husband Philip, her children Robert (Cindy), Ferne (Robert Edwards), and James (Karen), her grandchildren Haley (Billy Haberstroh), Ian (Jenny), Alex, Jake, Jenna, and Eloise, and her sister Frances Ostrum Gould. She was pre-deceased by her mother Freda, her father Isadore, and her sister Shirley Ostrum Tapper. Graveside services were held on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at Haym Salomon Memorial Park, Frazer, PA. Memorial donations may be made to a charity of your choice in Joan's memory.

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SCHWAM

Ronnie (Rosalind Jane) Schwam (nee Merow), age 91, passed away peacefully on October 23, 2021, in hospice, after a five year battle with Dementia. Wife of Gerry and best soulmate for 70 years. Mother of Ellen and Lou Nolan and Sally and Pat Serio. Grandmother of Matt and Adrienne, Jeff, Peter and Rebekah, Kevin and Shelby. Mother of Kenny who unfortunately passed away 20 years ago. A true renaissance woman, world traveler including all seven continents, an entrepreneur with great taste and vision who ran her own interior design firm and even a licensed airplane pilot. A homemaker, social worker, school teacher were among her many endeavors. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania where she spent as much time with Gerry in the Architectural School and she did in the College for Women. Ronnie loved to travel and was the consummate organizer of trips to distant places including Antarctica, all the time collecting more things than anyone should. Ronnie's happiest moments were when she was giving to others. She will be remembered, missed, and forever loved. Contributions in her memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 2595 Interstate Drive Harrisburg, PA 17710.

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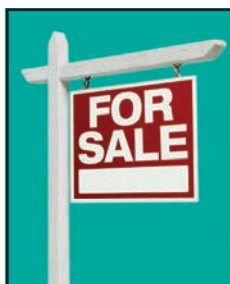
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LETTERS TESTAMENTARY on the above estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to: Viktorija Masalaitis 108 Buddell Drive Exton, PA 19341 or to her attorney: Joel P. Perlstein, Esq. 101 Old York Road, Ste 303 Jenintown, PA 19046

ESTATE OF PETRO SOKIRNIY, DECEASED.
Late of Philadelphia
LETTERS of ADMINISTRATION on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to IVAN SOKIRNIY, ADMINISTRATOR, c/o Peter L., Klenk, Esq., 2202 Delancey Place, Philadelphia, PA 19103, Or to his Attorney:
Peter L. Klenk
The Law Offices of Peter L. Klenk & Associates
2202 Delancey Place
Philadelphia, PA 19103

ESTATE OF SUSAN B. SCHARF, DECEASED.
Late of Lower Merion Township, Montgomery County, PA
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BRADLEY NEWMAN
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ESTATE OF CANDICE CHAPLIN, DECEASED.
Late of Lower Merion Township, Montgomery County, PA
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ESTATE OF DOREEN ANN DAVIS, DECEASED.
Late of Philadelphia
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GEORGE W. PORTER
909 E. Chocolate Ave.
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ESTATE OF JAMES M. SHEA, DECEASED.
Late of Philadelphia
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STEPHEN H. GREEN
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ESTATE OF MARY A. SIGNORE, DECEASED.
Late of Whitpain Township, Montgomery County, PA
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ADAM S. BERNICK
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Philadelphia, PA 19103

ESTATE OF ROBERT MAYES, DECEASED.
Late of Philadelphia
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ESTATE OF THERESA S. MASTERSON, DECEASED.
Late of Philadelphia
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BETH B. MCGOVERN
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Estate of Celestina Figueroa; Figueroa, Celestina, Deceased
Late of Philadelphia, PA.
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY
on the above estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to Nancy Vargas, c/o Hope Bosniak, Esq., Dessen, Moses & Rossitto, 600 Easton Rd, Willow Grove, PA 19090, Executrix.
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ESTATE OF ELAINE ROBINSON, DECEASED.
Late of Philadelphia
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KLEINBARD, LLC
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1717 Arch St., 5th Fl.
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ESTATE OF JEAN BROWN a/k/a JEAN E. BROWN, DECEASED.
Late of Philadelphia
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JAY E. KIVITZ
KIVITZ & KIVITZ, P.C.
7901 Ogontz Ave.
Philadelphia, PA 19150

ESTATE OF OLEG ANTONOV, DECEASED.
Late of Philadelphia
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to VIKTORIYA ZABEGAY, EXECUTRIX, c/o Renata T. Pabisz, Esq., 116 E. Court St., Doylestown, PA 18901, Or to her Attorney:
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HIGH SWARTZ, LLP
116 E. Court St.
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ESTATE OF SEAN TYSZLER, DECEASED.
Late of Lower Merion Township, Montgomery County, PA
LETTERS of ADMINISTRATION on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to IRA TYSZLER, ADMINISTRATOR, c/o Stephanie A. Henrick, Esq., 1001 Conshohocken State Rd., Ste. 1-625, West Conshohocken, PA 19428, Or to his Attorney:
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OBERMAYER REBMANN MAXWELL & HIPPEL LLP
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West Conshohocken, PA 19428

ESTATE OF ALISHA B. DUBB a/k/a ALISHA DUBB, DECEASED.
Late of Philadelphia
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to KATHRYN A. DONOHUE, EXECUTRIX, c/o Amy Neifeld Shkedy, Esq., 1 Bala Plaza, Ste. 623, Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004, Or to her Attorney:
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NEWSMAKERS

The Philadelphia-Israel Chamber of Commerce, PICC Foundation and Thomas Jefferson University welcomed new Shenkar President Sheizaf Rafaeli to Philadelphia by hosting a hybrid live event on Oct. 22 about innovation in the textile industry toward sustainability. Shenkar is an Israeli-renowned engineering, design and art school specializing in designing functional, smart and sustainable fabrics.



▲ From left: Philadelphia-Israel Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Vered Nohi; Dr. Mark L. Tykocinski, provost at Thomas Jefferson University and dean of the Sidney Kimmel Medical College; Craig Lindemann, Fabrics Division – Sustainability at W. L. Gore & Associates, Inc; Professor Sheizaf Rafaeli, president of Shenkar; Mark Sunderland, vice president of Jefferson Strategic Ventures and chief innovation officer and chief sustainability officer at Hemp Black/Ecofibre; event moderator Marcia Weiss, the director of the Fashion & Textiles Futures Center, director of the Textile Design Programs and the Harold Neuman Textile Design Chair at Thomas Jefferson University; and PICC President Matthew Fingerman, vice president - senior wealth manager at BNY Mellon Wealth Management. Courtesy of the Philadelphia-Israel Chamber of Commerce

On Oct. 27, the OceanFirst Foundation announced a \$10,000 grant to benefit The Lynn Kramer Village by the Shore, a membership program which provides services and socialization for residents over 50. The program is run by the Jewish Family Service of Atlantic & Cape May Counties.

► OceanFirst Foundation Executive Director Katherine Durante, second from left, presents the \$10,000 check to Jewish Family Service representatives in Margate, New Jersey.

Photo courtesy of Jewish Family Service of Atlantic & Cape May Counties



The Jewish Relief Agency announced that Leah Levitan earned Hungry Harvest's October Volunteer of the Month Award. In August, Levitan organized a school supply collection drive among friends, family members and local stores, providing folders, notebooks and pencils, among other items, to 120 high school students in need. Hungry Harvest is a JRA partner organization.

◀ Leah Levitan in the Jewish Relief Agency warehouse. Courtesy of Jenny Rubin

COMMUNITYCALENDAR

▼ FRIDAY, NOV. 5

Parsha for Life

Join Rabbi Alexander Coleman, Jewish educator and psychotherapist at the **Institute for Jewish Ethics**, at 9 a.m. for a weekly journey through the Torah portion of the week with eternal lessons on personal growth and spirituality. Go to ijethics.org/weekly-torah-portion.html to receive the Zoom link and password.

Geography of Summer

What is the history of the summer vacation? How does it apply to the Jewish community? Why and where and how do we travel? What is a Jewish "staycation"? **Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel's Temple Judea Museum 2021** fall exhibition "The Geography of Summer" is open. Visit the gallery in person at 8339 Old York Road, Elkins Park or follow the exhibition on the Temple Judea Museum Facebook page and on YouTube.

▼ SUNDAY, NOV. 7

Film Festival

Philadelphia Jewish Film Festival (formerly Gershman Philadelphia Jewish Film Festival), presenter of the Philadelphia Jewish Film Festival, will continue to bring Philadelphia film lovers the best in Jewish international cinema through its signature program: its two-week annual Fall Fest in November, which will both stream and screen films in-person Nov. 7-20. Learn more at phillyjfm.org.

Pogromnacht Commemoration

Or Hadash presents a program to commemorate Pogromnacht (Kristallnacht) at 10:30 a.m., when Holocaust survivor Ralph Franklin will share his personal story of growing up in Germany and his family's suffering during and after Kristallnacht. Join the livestream of the event at: youtube.com/c/orhadashsynagogue.

▼ MONDAY, NOV. 8

Mahjong Game

Melrose B'nai Israel Emanu-El Sisterhood invites the community to join our weekly friendly mahjong game at 7 p.m. Cost is \$36 per year or free with MBIEE Sisterhood membership. For more information, call 215-635-1505 or email office@mbiee.org. 8339 Old York Road, Elkins Park.

▼ TUESDAY, NOV. 9

Sisterhood Meeting

The **Sisterhood of Congregations of Shaare Shamayim** will be hosting a virtual general meeting at 7:30 p.m. Our program will be a presentation by Jim Palmquist, a past president of AARP – Pennsylvania. There is no charge for this evening, but we will need your email address so we can send you the link for the meeting. The link will be sent to you before the meeting. Call 215-677-1600 for further details. 9768 Verree Road.

▼ THURSDAY, NOV. 11

Hoarding Lecture

Join **Jewish Family and Children's Service** at 9:30 a.m. for part two of a three-part series, where we will explore the lived experience of hoarding disorder as well as hear from national and international experts on treatment and support. Additional lecture held on Dec. 9. Zoom link provided after registration. For more information, contact cowan@jfcspshilly.org or 267-838-1462.

Virtual Israel Trip

Join **Jewish National Fund-USA** and real estate professionals from coast to coast at 6 p.m. for an inside look at the Israeli real estate market and for a virtual tour exploring some of JNF-USA's major infrastructure in Israel. Visit jnf.org or email jwertheim@jnf.org for more information.

Bend the Arc Meeting

Join **Bend the Arc** for an evening of focused movement-building in South Jersey. Learn more about the Moral Minyan, ideas for action and start thinking about your role in the movement. Meetings are the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m.; register by the Tuesday before. Sign up for email alerts: bendthearc.us/southjersey_signup. ●



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