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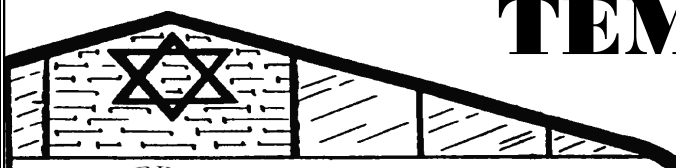
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# TEMPLE TALK



Congregation L'Dor V'Dor  
Oakland Little Neck Jewish Center

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## March Madness At Your Synagogue



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Rev. William Sutter

Purim! 3/15-16 Flyer

A Multi Generational  
Community Celebration  
Of Shabbat With The Spiritual  
Energy of Today's Generation  
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NYMFJMC  
Presents:

Man of the Year  
And Youth Awards Dinner

Sunday, April 6, 2014  
4:30 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

### Honoring

Man of the Year:  
Dr. Ken Kahaner

Youths of the Year:  
Rachel Coons  
Diana Charlop

RSVP tickets online  
by March 23 at  
[moy.nymfjmc.org](http://moy.nymfjmc.org)

## From the Rabbi



Last month, in this column, I reprinted a speech that was delivered by Simon Deng a former Sudanese slave, who made an impassioned speech before the Durban III conference of the United Nations General Assembly meeting on September 22, 2011. The theme of the conference was supposed to be "victims of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance: recognition, justice and development". Most of the member states of the UN attended. The previous Durban conferences had been criticized by Western governments for allegedly promoting rather than combating racism. Australia, Austria, Bulgaria, Canada, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Israel, Italy, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, the United Kingdom and the United States all boycotted Durban III. They charged that the Durban process had been used to promote racism intolerance, anti-Semitism and Holocaust denial, and to erode freedom of speech and Israel's right to exist.

When Simon Deng gave his speech he did so as a friend and supporter of Israel. He expressed his gratitude for all that Israel was able to do for him and he attempted to counter and silence the racist claims that are central to discourse at the UN.

In the years since Simon gave his truthful, powerful and courageous speech for all at the UN General Assembly and indeed, for all of the world to hear, many things have changed. His speech was and still is important and it should continue to be a source of pride. However, it was suggested to me that if Simon Deng were to give a speech today, it would be different.

In trying to handle the difficult reality of some 53,000 African asylum seekers who have made their way to Israel, Israel, in the eyes of some, has been less than hospitable and is not responding to this situation in a way that is in keeping with the Jewish value of "being kind to the stranger in our midst." A wall has been erected to keep more asylum seekers from infiltrating into Israel and those who are in Israel are being arrested and are being forced to live in an "open" detention center in the Negev.

In so many areas of life, Israel is indeed a light unto the nations. We can and should be extremely proud of all that Israel contributes to the well being of its citizens, Arab and Jew alike, as well as to the world at large. There are, however, some areas in which Israel could do better, just like any other nation of the world, including ours. As advocates for Israel, when we know of something that Israel is doing of which we are not proud, it is not out of place to get involved with an effort to promote social justice within Israel which is our homeland and in a very real way represents all of us as Jews.

T'ruah, an organization of rabbis from all streams of Judaism that acts on the Jewish imperative to respect and protect the human rights of all people has taken up the cause of the African asylum seekers who are currently under Israeli rule. The goals of T'ruah in regard to this issue are to:

End the indefinite detention of asylum seekers under the Anti-Infiltration Law.

Create a functional, fair, and transparent refugee status determination procedure that allows for each individual to apply for asylum in lines with international standards adhered to by other Western democracies.

Stop deportations and coerced self-deportation of Eritrean and Sudanese asylum seekers.

Quell xenophobic rhetoric hostile to the Africans.

Provide asylum seekers access to health care, social services, and the opportunity to work until their final status, or destination, can be fairly determined.

On the Truah website, there is a call to action which includes writing to Prime Minister Netanyahu and Michael Oren, the Israeli Ambassador to the US. The sample letter that is suggested is:

*Since June 2012, all African asylum seekers arriving in Israel have been automatically incarcerated for a minimum of three years without even a trial. Detainees include those previously trafficked, raped and tortured in the Egyptian Sinai. Israel is the destination country and not responsible for abuse suffered prior to entry, but it nevertheless has obligations as to how it treats these people once they arrive.*

*There are serious problems with the current system of dealing with victims of torture and trafficking in detention centers including a lack of identification of victims of trafficking, a lack of sufficient shelter space, and insufficient access to medical rehabilitation.*

*I am deeply saddened to hear that victims of human trafficking and torture are placed in detention upon entering Israel's borders. I strongly urge the Israeli government to quickly discontinue its policy of detaining victims of trafficking and torture.*

To send a letter like this and to become part of the process of tikun olam within the State of Israel, go to this url below and send a letter to people who can make a difference. [http://org2.salsalabs.com/o/5149/p/dia/action/public/?action\\_KEY=13764](http://org2.salsalabs.com/o/5149/p/dia/action/public/?action_KEY=13764)

## March Schedule of Services

Sat., March 1	Shabbat Shacharit 50th Anniversary Bar Mitzvah: Richie Spivack	9:00 a.m.
	Mincha/Maariv/Havdalah	5:15 p.m.
Sun., March 2	Rosh Chodesh Minyan	8:45 a.m.
Tues., March 4	Morning Minyan	6:30 a.m.
Fri., March 7	A Capella Musical Kabbalat Shabbat	6:30 p.m.
Sat., March 8	Shabbat Shacharit Tot Shabbat	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
	Mincha/Maariv/Havdalah	5:15 p.m.
Sun., March 9	Morning Minyan	8:45 a.m.
Tues., March 11	Morning Minyan	6:30 a.m.
Fri., March 14	Shabbat Evening Service Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries	8:00 p.m.
Sat., March 15	Shabbat Shacharit	9:00 a.m.
	Mincha/Maariv/Havdalah	6:30 p.m.
Sun., March 16	Morning Minyan	8:45 a.m.
Tues., March 18	Morning Minyan	6:30 a.m.
Fri., March 21	Nosh & Schmooze Instrumental Musical Kabbalat	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
Sat., March 22	Shabbat Morning Experience Breakfast/Schmoozing & Learning Shacharit Torah Service/Musaf Service Kiddush/Lunch	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
	Mincha/Maariv/Havdalah	6:00 p.m.
Sun., March 23	Morning Minyan Shacharit Live! w/Daniel Novick	9:00 a.m.
Tues., March 25	Morning Minyan	6:30 a.m.
Fri., March 28	Shabbat Evening Service	6:30 p.m.
Sat. March 29	Shabbat Shacharit Bat Mitzvah: Samantha Grenard Mincha/Maariv/Havdalah	9:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.
Sun., March 30	Morning Minyan	8:45 a.m.

### Shabbat Candle Lighting

March 7	5:33 p.m.
March 14	6:41 p.m.
March 21	6:48 p.m.
March 28	6:56 p.m.



*Rabbi Gordon Yaffe*

## Presidential Matters

By Steve Aronowitz

This month we are very proud to be hosting a special community celebration of Shabbat that is being co-sponsored by our friends and neighbors of Lake Success Jewish Center and Marathon Jewish Center.

Last year the leadership of our three synagogues decided that from time to time it would be a good idea to join together, as one community, to celebrate and embrace our Jewish tradition. Last June we had a Shabbabecue at Lake Success and this March, we will be hosting:

A Multigenerational Community Celebration  
Of Shabbat With The Spiritual Energy  
Of Today's Generation

The president of the METNY district of USY, Jacob Wasserman, a high school senior, together with his friends, have been invited to join our community and lead us in a joyful celebration of Shabbat.

The idea for this Shabbat weekend was born from the experience that Rabbi Yaffe had during the Shabbat that kicked off the Centennial Convention of the United Synagogue that was held in Baltimore this past Fall. We are trying to recreate, within our own community, the spiritual joy and excitement that permeated the Baltimore Marriot Hotel in October. Daniel Novick, a JTS Rabbinical Student, USY alum and creator of the Shacharit Live service that will be conducted on Sunday morning, March 23 as the culmination of this special weekend, will be sharing his spiritual and musical talents with us throughout the weekend.

Please take some time to review the brochure for this weekend that you received in the mail and send in your reservation form today. Tell your friends about it and bring them, too. You won't want to miss out on being part of this special opportunity that is being offered by our community.

Looking forward to sharing this weekend with you.

*Steve*



Saturday, March 1, 2014  
At 9:00 A.M.

Richie Spivack  
Celebrates the  
50th Anniversary  
of being called  
to the Torah  
as a Bar Mitzvah!



Join together with Richie  
and the members of our  
congregation for this very  
special occasion!



Holocaust Remembrance  
at the United Nations  
by Elane Berk

On Monday, January 27, a small group of us from the synagogue attended the Holocaust Remembrance at the United Nations. It was an inspirational experience, with music by the 92nd Street Y's woodwind quartet.

The speakers, which included John Ashe (president of the United Nations General Assembly), Ron Prosor (Israeli representative to the UN), Samantha Power (U.S. representative to the UN) and Rene Finder (Holocaust Survivor), spoke of the importance of remembrance and action for the future of our world.

Steven Spielberg was the keynote speaker. He spoke of his Shoah Foundation established to collect and preserve testimonies of survivors. 52,000 testimonies-32 languages. He told how it took 20 years of directing before he felt ready for a film such as Schindler's List. Ruth Finder was on the list. She spoke of the work she does with the youth of today. Her goal is to encourage them to take an active part and not to be indifferent to the injustices they see around them.

Four students from the Bronx High School of Science described how their school has its own Holocaust memorial museum used by students and faculty to further the importance of remembrance and action. The quote of the day was by Albert Einstein "The world will not be destroyed by those who do evil but by those who watch them without doing anything"

Canter Shmuel Barzilai from Vienna concluded the ceremonies with his stirring renditions of El Maleh Rachamin and Ani Ma'amin.

## Passover Community Seder Tuesday, April 15, 2014



Let us know by Friday, March 14  
if you would like to be part of a community  
Seder on the second night of Pesach.

If there is enough interest, we will do it!

Call the office at 718.224.0404





## A Message from Cantor Joshua Shron

We're dusting megillas, testing our graggers  
And calling all tweens, teens, adults...even bloggers!  
The joyous time of year is back once more  
Time to get ready for Purim 5774!

We've endured Rosh Hashana, sat in shul many hours;  
On Yom Kippur survived with no food or no showers.  
Clogged our arteries with oil on the Festival of Lights,  
And now it's time for Purim, with treats and delights!

The countdown begins! It's just a few weeks away!  
Purim falls out on the third Saturday  
in the great month of March...the fifteenth is the date  
We invite you to join us, for the night will be great!

We'll all shake our graggers, we'll read the megilla  
We'll laugh and we'll sing and we'll party until the  
historic event will come to a close  
And when it's all over, you'll be glad that you chose

To celebrate Purim at L'Dor V'Dor  
Cause all other Shuls are simply a bore  
We invite you to us...you have nothing to lose!  
We'll reward you with fun, not to mention the booze.

"Been there, done that," I hear some of you mutter.  
"What can they do to make Purim funner?"  
I wish I could tell you, but I'll have to decline  
(Not to mention we're still planning as of press time.)

But please come in costume, and get ready to smile  
It's the best day of the year, and we celebrate in style  
You'll hear the great tale about the evil Haman  
And how Jews were saved from total destruction.

The rabbi and cantor will be acting quite strange  
You might see some children get up on the stage  
Parading in costume, with a prize for the best  
So get ready to "wow" us, and dress to impress!

So now is the time to circle the date  
The fifteenth of March, and please don't be late  
Let me wish a happy Purim to all in your home  
From all of members of la casa de Shron.



## HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Mindy Kremer      | 15 Brianna Neiderman  |
| 1 Ilene Streim      | 17 Raphael Hockstein  |
| 2 Elyse Clair       | 17 Richard Sosman     |
| 3 Aaron Popowsky    | 17 Jenna Sykoff       |
| 3 Paul Ross         | 18 Kenneth Guttenplan |
| 4 Ruth Heyman       | 18 Mark Hochman       |
| 4 Lindsay Verola    | 19 Stephanie Charles  |
| 5 Andrew Lamkay     | 19 Lawrence Unger     |
| 5 Judy Vladimirov   | 21 Samantha Bressler  |
| 6 Jeremy Auster     | 22 Andrew Laufer      |
| 7 Jarett Greben     | 22 Michael Laufer     |
| 7 Ava Kestenbaum    | 22 Sarah Laufer       |
| 7 Vera Mamber       | 23 Hillary Goldstein  |
| 7 Arthur Rose       | 23 Melissa Goldstein  |
| 7 Sarah Sherman     | 23 Samantha Halitzer  |
| 7 Marisa Yeres      | 23 Isabel Lesser      |
| 9 Stephen Kanfer    | 23 Julia Lesser       |
| 9 Jack Sherman      | 24 Estelle Roth       |
| 9 Kirby Weinberg    | 25 Janet Tobin        |
| 9 Mark Weisberg     | 26 Florence Feldman   |
| 10 Charles Junger   | 26 Sam Mindlin        |
| 11 Robert Altheim   | 26 Gerald Schwartz    |
| 11 Sara Cohen       | 27 Leslie Drucker     |
| 11 Joshua Garfinkel | 28 Roni Glaser        |
| 11 Morton Hantman   | 28 Hillary Reinharz   |
| 12 C. Jay Chudnoff  | 30 Marjorie Goldstein |
| 12 Scott Schindler  | 30 Samantha Grenard   |
| 12 Ari Shron        | 30 Alex Reinharz      |
| 13 Kenneth Grossman | 30 Robert Starr       |
| 14 Susan Kanfer     | 31 Meryl Faber        |
|                     | 31 Craig Greben       |



## HAPPY MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 Rhoda and Max Brauner  
5 Deborah and Raphael Hockstein  
8 Sheila and Arnold Blecher  
8 Marjorie and Norman Leblang  
11 Ronnie and David Goldstein  
12 Victoria and Elliot Gaberman  
14 Jerelyn and Bernard Cohen  
16 Vera and Alfred Mamber  
17 Ava and Alan Kestenbaum  
18 Leslie and Mitchell Drucker  
22 Ruth and David Orenstein  
26 Stacey and David Levine  
27 Renee and Morris Lebowitz  
31 Lesley and Robert Stern



## Conversations With The Cantor

Tues., March 11 & 25 at 8:15 pm.  
@Starbucks in Little Neck  
(Mazur's Shopping Center)

Questions? cantor@lnjc.org or Tel: 732.762.8484

**At Erev Shabbat Services  
On Friday, March 14  
At 8:00 p.m.**



**We will celebrate March  
Birthdays & Anniversaries!**

# Shabbat Highlights March



## Shabbat Across America Congregation L'Dor V'Dor

Friday, March 7

Beginning at 6:30 p.m. with our  
A Capella Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service



Followed by a Shabbat Dinner  
Served by Cosmopolitan Caterers



## Tot Shabbat

Saturday, March 8  
at 11:00 a.m.

A special Shabbat Morning for  
3-6 year olds led by Rabbi Yaffe  
with prayers, songs, stories  
and a Shabbat snack.

At 11:15 a.m., Rabbi Yaffe and the tots  
will join the main service on  
the bimah for the conclusion  
of the service.

## The Conclusion of Shabbat

(See page 2 for the time each week)



Sanctify this special time on Shabbat with  
prayer, a light meal, schmoozing and Havdalah.

## Multigenerational Community Celebration of Shabbat March 21-22, 2014



### Friday, March 21

**5:30 p.m. Nosh & Schmooze**  
**6:30 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Service**  
**8:00 p.m. Shabbat Dinner**  
**9:30 p.m. Evening Activities**

### Saturday, March 22

**9:00 a.m. Israeli Breakfast**  
**10:00 a.m. Shacharit**  
**12:00 p.m. Lunch**  
**2:00 p.m. Fun Learning**  
**4:00 p.m. Family Feud**  
**6:00 p.m. Mincha/Seudah Shelishit**  
**7:50 p.m. Havdalah**

## Religious School News

By Mindy Kremer



Despite several weather related school cancellations, last month was quite special. Our wonderful Hey teacher, Judy Rosenfeld, invited parents to come and learn with their children. After some introductory group Torah study, parents and children studied together, comparing two pesukim from the Torah that discuss the parent/child relationship. Each family unit then shared its insights, and we analyzed the passages as a group. The second half of the session consisted of a discussion of ethical wills, a beautiful concept that was new to many in the room. In an ethical will, parents share their values and wisdom, the lessons they've learned throughout their lives, and their hopes and dreams for their children. Each parent began writing an ethical will, and, during that time, each child wrote a "love letter" to his/her parent, expressing love and gratitude. Watching parents read these letters at the end of the session was very touching, as I witnessed more than one parent shedding tears at the sentiments expressed by his/her child. I extend a heartfelt Yasher Koach to Mrs. Rosenfeld for creating this special experience for our Hey families. Todah rabah to Ellen Charlop, one of the teachers in our lower school, for sharing in her column below about what February was like for our Aleph-Gimel students.

L'shalom,

*Mindy Kremer*

## Unplug to Reconnect by Morah Ellen Charlop

Currently, in Hebrew School, we are studying the Shabbat Pod. The children are learning that Shabbat is more than just a day of rest, it's a day to unplug (if you can), clear your calendar and your thoughts, in order to reconnect with each other and with Hashem. We are learning to understand our love for Shabbat and the role it plays in preserving the Jewish people, by living, smelling and tasting the Shabbat experience.

**Here are some interpretive answers to the insightful questions that your kids are asking:**

**But where did G-d come from?** *G\_d is not like any other concept and is so metimes difficult to understand. Sometimes it's difficult to put your mind around such a concept as Infinity. Is G-d everywhere and everything? Is G-d One? The answer to both questions is yes! This is not so easy to digest. It takes years of thought and study. Think of G-d as a Power or Energy of holiness and goodness which is neither created nor destroyed. He was, He is, He will always be. You need to chew on that for a while.*

**Can you read the whole Torah in one day?** *The Torah is not like any other book. It is not meant to merely be read, but to be pondered, internalized and questioned, and interpreted on so many different levels. Can the Torah be read in one day? It depends how you define the word read.*

**Why Passover now?** *Perhaps the message of the Torah is to start preparing now, both physically and spiritually. This holiday is a doozy on so many levels, from cleaning the house, to cleaning up our spiritual acts. It's saying, pack up and get ready for a journey out of Mizrayim (Egypt). This requires patience, persistence and introspection. I guess we better start now!*

I want to thank Rabbi Yaffe for discussing with me meaningful ways of answering these questions.

### **Your children continue to ask:**

What do you do if to save your own life, someone else must lose theirs?

Why aren't insects Kosher?

Why are Jews the minority?

Wasn't Jesus Jewish?

What do the names of the Hebrew months mean?



## Meet The Bat Mitzvah Samantha Grenard March 29, 2014

Hi, my name is Samantha Grenard. I am in seventh grade at Great Neck South Middle School. I cannot wait to share my special day when I become a Bat Mitzvah with everyone here at our synagogue. I have many hobbies, but the one I love the most is softball. I have been playing in a league named Merillon in New Hyde Park since I was in third grade. Last summer I played on the Merillon Sharks girls All-star travel team which competed in the country wide Williamsport Tournament. I'm also excited to be playing for my school's softball team, which will begin this spring. My schoolwork is also really important to me. I do whatever I have to do to have good grades on my report card. Judaism is another very important thing to me. I enjoy spending time with my family on holidays. I look forward to keeping the customs and traditions of my religion for myself and my family. My Bat Mitzvah is something that is very important to me and I'm so excited that I'm being honored on this very special day.



## A Note From Dan Graber, USY Advisor

USY took home the gold last month with excellent programs planned and run by the USYers themselves! We prepared for the Superbowl with our *Superbowl Pre-Game Party* where we enjoyed wings and chips while looking for Jewish values in classic commercials. **Jordan Aronowitz** organized *Cupcake Wars* where our USYers made displays with their cupcakes to celebrate the Sochi Olympics. This was followed with an awesome *Scavenger Hunt* at the Roosevelt Field Mall organized by 10<sup>th</sup> graders, **Lindsey Meyer and Samantha Marcus**, and won by **Joshua Sacker**! With so much excitement behind us, it's almost hard to believe that it can get better than this! But...

This March we will be filled with the Joy of Purim and Shabbat **March 21-22<sup>nd</sup>**. Join our guest USYers and local teens for all or part of a wonderful weekend of energy, community, and the Judaism of Today. Additionally, we will have a night of **Gaga and Games** on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. On March 9<sup>th</sup> we will prepare games for the Lake Success children's Purim activities and on the 16<sup>th</sup>, our teens are invited to attend readings of Megillat Esther and to help run games and activities for the children of our community. There will be no USY on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, so make sure to come to the Shabbaton!

Meetings for the month of March will be held at the Lake Success Jewish Center on Sundays from 6-7:30pm. Times will be announced by email for March 16. Please contact our Youth Advisor, Dan Graber at [Dan.A.Grabar@gmail.com](mailto:Dan.A.Grabar@gmail.com).



# Adult Education



## Sisterhood Book Club

Thursday, March 6, 2014  
at 7:30 p.m.  
at Elane Berk's Home

The next sisterhood book club meeting will be held on Thursday evening, March 6th, at 7:30 P.M., at the home of Elane Berk. We will be discussing "Orphan Train" by Christina Baker Kline. This is a gripping tale of a Penobscot Indian teenager, Molly Ayer, who is close to "aging out" of the foster care system. A community service position helping an elderly woman clean out her home is the only thing keeping Molly out of trouble.

As she helps Vivian sort through her possessions, Molly learns that she and Vivian aren't as different as they seem. A young Irish immigrant orphaned in NYC, Vivian was put on a train to the Midwest with hundreds of other children whose destinies would be determined by luck and chance.

Molly discovers that she has the powers to help Vivian find answers to mysteries that have haunted her for her entire life—answers that will ultimately free them both.

Please join us for an enlightening discussion. Any questions, please contact Harriet Spilkevitz at hspilk818@aol.com or 516-708-9404.

## "The Observant Life"

*"The Wisdom of Conservative Judaism for Contemporary Jews"*

**Wednesdays**  
**11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

In this class, taught by Rabbi Yaffe, we are exploring one by one, the chapters in the latest volume published by the Rabbinical Assembly on living a Jewish Life. We engage in lively and in-depth conversations on what it means to live a purposeful Jewish Life on a daily basis.

**Class is cancelled**  
**on Wednesday, March 5**

**Members of the class will be**  
**attending the**  
**AZM Café Israel Conference**

**New students**  
**are always welcome!**  
**Questions — 718.224.0404**

## Save The Date!

Sunday, April 27th at 5:00 p.m.

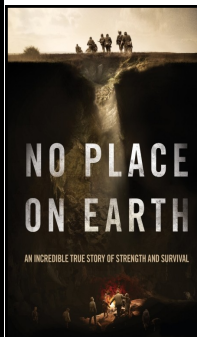
### Holocaust Memorial Day Observance

George Klein & Ellen Charlop / Yom Hashoah Committee



There is a Hungarian expression that roughly translates to "a man that just finished eating has a hard time imagining anyone in the world is hungry". We here in the United States and especially here in the New York area are especially fortunate to be living in an environment that is safe, peaceful and particularly tolerant of the religious and ethnic diversity of our world. We enjoy this peace and tolerance on a daily basis and in fact it is very easy to take it for granted. Like the man in the proverb, it is hard for us to imagine it can be different elsewhere in the world and even within our own country. Based on our own experiences, it is even harder to imagine what it was like for Jews who experienced the horrors of the Holocaust.

Yom Hashoah is a day that has been set aside by the Knesset in Israel to help ensure that the memory of the Holocaust does not become just another "history lesson" or an event that has no relevance to our modern lives. On this important day, all Jews, whatever their affiliation may be, must let everyone, especially our children, know that we mourn the loss of 6 million of our brothers and sisters, innocent victims who lost their lives in that horrific event. As the distance between us and the Holocaust increases we must increase our resolve to ensure that the victims and survivors will not be forgotten. Mark your calendar today and plan to attend. Bring your friends, neighbors, and most important, your children. Every year, there are fewer survivors to bear witness to those events.



### A Powerful Documentary not to be missed!

"In October 1942, Esther Stermer, the matriarch of a Jewish family in the Ukraine, leads her family underground to hide from the pursuing Nazis. Their harrowing story of surviving in near total darkness in two cold, damp caves for nearly a year and a half is like none ever told."

**Tuesday, April 1, 2014**  
**7:30 P.M.**  
**at Congregation L'Dor V'Dor**

**Or**

**Sunday, April 20, 2014**  
**1:00 P.M.**  
**at Marathon Jewish Center**  
**245-37 60th Ave, Douglaston**

For more information on the story and film,  
you may visit the website:  
<http://www.noplaceonearthfilm.com/dig-deeper/the-stermers/>

# Israel On Our Minds

## Israel Joins CERN

By Judy Samuels

CERN is the European Organization for Nuclear Research. According to Aryeh Savit, of the Tazpit News Agency, following a unanimously adopted resolution at the 169<sup>th</sup> session of the CERN council, Israel was admitted on January 15, 2014 as a full member of the organization. A special ceremony was held in Geneva and the end of which the Israeli flag was added to the line of flags representing the Member States of the organization. Israel was admitted as the 21<sup>st</sup> Member State, the first new Member since 1999.

Israeli scientists will now participate in a range of projects including scientific, research, industrial and educational activities of CERN. Foreign Minister Lieberman stated at the event, "We are proud that Israel creates more than 1% of the scientific knowledge in the world, even though our population is only one thousandth of the world's population. Israel goal, and the international community's task, is to ensure that science and technology should be used for progress, growth and saving lives."

This is quite a difference from the BDS movement and the American Studies Association's boycott of Israeli academic institutions. Thankfully, CERN understands the need to share all technology and scientific research for progress and hopefully world peace.

On a more unfortunate note, UNESCO, the UN's cultural agency is delaying for six months an exhibit on Jewish connections to the Holy Land after objections from Arab countries. The exhibition is called "People, Book, Land – The 3,500 Year Relationship of the Jewish People to the Holy Land," was scheduled to open in January at UNESCO's headquarters in Paris. The delay is due to 22 Arab member states indicated that this exhibit could disrupt the Israeli-Palestinian peace negotiations. The UN agency said it needed extra time to revise "unresolved issues relating to potentially contestable textual and visual historical points" that member states could perceive as "endangering the peace process."

The exhibit is to show 30 illustrated panels showing the long history of the Jewish people in the Holy Land, from the days of the biblical patriarch Abraham to modern Israel as a high-tech powerhouse. US, Israeli, and Canadian officials' had all been active in efforts to save the exhibit.



## **The Israel Advocacy Committee Of Congregation L'Dor V'Dor Presents:**

### **Reverend William Sutter**

**Executive Director of the  
Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry**

**Sunday, March 9, 2014**

**At 5:00 P.M.**

## **A Christian Perspective of Israel as the Jewish Homeland**

**There will be time for Q&A at the end of the presentation.**



**The Friends of Israel is an important voice in the support for  
the State of Israel, and opposition to anti-Jewish doctrine and activities.**

**Admission is free, but reservations would be appreciated.**

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# March 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		<p><i>Don't Forget to Spring Ahead!</i>  <i>Daylight Savings Time begins at</i>  <i>2:00 AM on Sunday, March 9th!</i></p> 				<b>1 Shabbat Shekalim</b> Shacharit 9:00 am Richie Spivack 50th Anniversary of Bar Mitzvah Mincha/Maariv/Havdalah 5:15 pm
<b>2</b> Morning Minyan & Breakfast 8:45 am Pack it up for Purim Part 2, 10am-1 pm	<b>3</b> Religious School 4:15-6:15 pm Hey Class 7:00 to 8:30 pm Board Mtg.. 8 pm	<b>4</b> Morning Minyan 6:30am	<b>5</b> Religious School 4:15-6:15 pm	<b>6</b> Intermediate Hebrew 10 am Book Club at Elane Berk's home 7:30 pm	<b>7</b> A Capella Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:30 pm Shabbat Across America Dinner 7:45 pm Candle Lighting 5:33 pm	<b>8</b> Shabbat Shacharit 9:00 am Tot Shabbat 10:30 am Mincha/Maariv/Havdalah 5:15 pm
<b>9</b> Morning Minyan & Breakfast 8:45am Adv.Beg. Hebrew Class 10 am 5:00 pm Guest Speaker: Rev. William Sutter A Christian Perspective of Israel As the Jewish Homeland	<b>10</b> Religious School 4:15-6:15 pm Hey Class 7:00 to 8:30 pm	<b>11</b> Morning Minyan 6:30am Teen Conversations with the Cantor at Starbucks 8:15 pm	<b>12</b> The Observant Life 11:00 am Religious School 4:15-6:15 pm Religious School Board Mtg. 7:30 pm	<b>13</b> Intermediate Hebrew 10 am	<b>14</b> Erev Shabbat Service 8:00 pm Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries Candle Lighting 6:41 pm	<b>15</b> Shabbat Zachor Shacharit 9:00am Erev Purim 5:30 pm Mincha 6:15 pm Seudah Shelishit 7:30 pm Maariv/Megillah
<b>16</b> <b>PURIM</b> Purim Service 8:45 am Whole Megillah	<b>17</b> Religious School 4:15-6:15 pm Hey Class 7:00 to 8:30 pm	<b>18</b> Morning Minyan 6:30am Teen Conversations with the Cantor at Starbucks 8:15 pm	<b>19</b> The Observant Life 11:00 am Religious School 4:15-6:15 pm Membership Committee Mtg. 8 pm	<b>20</b> Intermediate Hebrew 10 am	<b>21</b> <u>Nosh &amp; Schmooze</u> 5:30 pm <u>Kabbalat Shabbat</u> Service 6:30 pm <u>Shabbat Dinner</u> 8:00 pm <u>Evening Activities</u> 9:30 pm Candle Lighting 6:48 pm	<b>22 Shabbat Parah</b> <u>Israeli Breakfast</u> 9:00 am <u>Shacharit</u> 10:00 am <u>Lunch</u> 12 pm <u>Kiddush &amp; Ruach</u> at Noon <u>Fun Learning</u> 2:00 pm <u>Family Feud</u> 4:00 pm <u>Mincha/Seudah Shelshit</u> 6:00 pm <u>Havdalah</u> 7:50 pm
<b>23</b> Shacharit Live 9:00 am Adv. Beg. Hebrew Class 11 am	<b>24</b> Religious School 4:15-6:15 pm Hey Class 7:00 to 8:30 pm	<b>25</b> Morning Minyan 6:30am Teen Conversations with the Cantor at Starbucks 8:15 pm	<b>26</b> The Observant Life 11:00 am Religious School 4:15-6:15 pm	<b>27</b> Intermediate Hebrew 10 am	<b>28</b> Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 pm Candle Lighting 6:56 pm	<b>29 Shabbat HaChodesh</b> Shabbat Shacharit 9:00am Samantha Grenard Bat Mitzvah Mincha/Maariv/Havdalah 6:45 pm
<b>30</b> Morning Minyan & Breakfast 8:45 am Adv. Beg. Hebrew Class 10 am	<b>31</b> Religious School 4:15-6:15 pm Hey Class 7:00 to 8:30 pm					

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Saturday, March 15  
5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

## Congregation L'Dor V'Dor Erev Purim Festivities

- 5:30 p.m. Mincha
- 6:15 p.m. Conclude Shabbat with an Italian supper  
and compete in the costume contest!  
Dinner at no charge. Contributions are welcome.
- 7:30 p.m. Maariv
- 7:50 p.m. The Whole Megillah (Almost)  
Simultaneous Megillah Reading (Whole)  
in the Simcha Room
- 9:00 p.m. Hamantaschen for Everyone

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Purim Day  
Sunday, Mar. 16  
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  - ❖ *Chopped Liver*
  - ❖ *Haroset*
  - ❖ *Stuffed Cabbage (meat or vegetarian)*
  - ❖ *Matza Ball Soup*
- ❖ *Potato Kugel or Potato Pancakes w/ Apple Sauce*
- ❖ *Vegetable Medley*
- Entrees (pick 2)*
  - ❖ *Brisket*
  - ❖ *Salmon w/ Teriyaki or Mustard Dill Sauce*
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