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RABBI'S MESSAGE

The counting of the *Omer* began on the second evening of Pesach. This practice harkens back to ancient times when our ancestors celebrated Shavuot as an agricultural festival. They counted seven complete weeks and offered an *Omer* or measure of the first barley harvest. After the Destruction of the Second Temple in 70 C.E., the entire sacrificial system ended. In order to prevent the observance of Shavuot from disappearing altogether, our sages associated Shavuot with the concept, *z'man Matan Toroteinu*, the season of the giving of our Law.

Our Sages once asked why the festival of Shavuot, unlike any other festival, depends on the counting of the days preceding it. One response was that when the children of Israel received the glad tidings of their liberation from Egypt, they were also told that 50 days thereafter they would receive the Torah. This news was so thrilling that they started counting the days. This counting then became a prescribed practice for all generations. Today we can say that the counting of the *Omer* is a bridge connecting Pesach and Shavuot, indicating that we want not only freedom from bondage, but also freedom for a purpose--to receive the moral law at Mt. Sinai and to practice it. The receiving of the Torah was the purpose and goal of the exodus from Egypt.

One could also pose the question, "Why wasn't the Torah given in Egypt? Why did God wait until our ancestors were in the wilderness? God chose to give the law only after freedom was finally attained. The Torah was God's gift to a feeling and thinking people, not to robots and slaves. Only free people who think and feel can engage in holy study and the development of the human mind. We are a "people of the book".

Unfortunately, appreciation of the written word has fallen on hard times. Cable TV and videos tend to discourage reading and sensitivity to language. Many individuals stare at the Tube for hours, transform themselves into couch potatoes, and let their brains turn to mush! The only mental energy that is expended is deciding which of the 100-plus stations to watch and which button to flick on the remote control!

The malaise of our age was portrayed by Ray Bradbury several decades ago. In *Fahrenheit 451*, the people in this so-called Utopian society do not read books, enjoy nature, spend time by themselves, think independently, or have meaningful conversations. Instead, they drive very fast, watch excessive amounts of television on wall-size sets, and listen to the radio on "Seashell Radio" sets attached to their ears. Books were regularly set on fire to extinguish all traces of original ideas.

In the provocative book, *The Closing of the American Mind*,

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T'FILLAH SCHEDULE

May 2018 IYYAR-SIVAN 5778

Friday, May 4, 2018	IYYAR 19
6:00 pm: <i>Tot Shabbat</i>	
6:30 pm: <i>Hebrew School Siyyum – Family Service & Buffet Dinner (Reservations Required)</i>	
Saturday, May 5, 2018	IYYAR 20
Parashat Emor	
10:00 am: <i>Shabbat Service</i>	
Friday, May 11, 2018	IYYAR 26
7:30 pm: <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i>	
Saturday, May 12, 2018	IYYAR 27
Parashat Behar-Bechukotal	
10:00 am: <i>Shabbat Service</i>	
12:00 pm: <i>Rosh Chodesh Study</i>	
Friday, May 18, 2018	SIVAN 4
7:30 pm: <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i>	
Saturday, May 19, 2018	SIVAN 5
Parashat Bamidbar	
Erev Shavuot	
10:00 am: <i>Shabbat Service</i>	
5:00 pm: <i>Music Concert</i>	
5:30 pm: <i>Dinner</i>	
7:00 pm: <i>Erev Shavuot Service</i>	
Monday, May 21, 2018	SIVAN 6
10:00 am: <i>Shavuot II and Yizkor</i>	
Friday, May 25, 2018	SIVAN 11
7:30 pm: <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i>	
Saturday, May 26, 2018	SIVAN 12
Parashat Nasso	
10:00 am: <i>Shabbat Service</i>	



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June 2018 SIVAN-TAMUZ 5778

- Friday, June 1, 2018** **SIVAN 18**
6:00 pm *Tot Shabbat*
6:30 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat*
6:30 pm: *Shabbat Youth Group*
- Saturday, June 2, 2018** **SIVAN 19**
Helena Canning Bat Mitzvah
Parashat Beha'alotcha
10:30 am: *Shabbat Service*
- Friday, June 8, 2018** **SIVAN 25**
7:30 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat*
- Saturday, June 9, 2018** **SIVAN 26**
Isaac Rosenthal Bar Mitzvah
Parashat Sh'lach
10:30 am: *Shabbat Service*
- Friday, June 15, 2018** **TAMUZ 2**
7:30 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat*
- Saturday, June 16, 2018** **TAMUZ 3**
Parashat Korach
10:00 am: *Shabbat Service*
12:00 pm: *Rosh Chodesh Study*
- Friday, June 22, 2018** **TAMUZ 9**
7:30 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat*
- Saturday, June 23, 2018** **TAMUZ 10**
Parashat Chukat
10:00 am: *Shabbat Service*
- Friday, June 29, 2018** **TAMUZ 16**
7:30 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat*
- Saturday, June 30, 2018** **TAMUZ 17**
Parashat Balak
10:00 am: *Shabbat Service*



RABBI'S Message

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Professor Allan Bloom points out that many university students have lost the practice of and the taste for reading. While teaching at Cornell University, he found very few students who could list one or two classics that have made a major difference in their lives. The notion of books as companions is foreign to them. There is no printed word to which they look for counsel, inspiration, or joy. Professor Bloom points out that failure to read good literature cuts people off from the treasures of their heritage. It enfeebles their vision, forces them to focus only on the here and now, and encourages them to uncritically accept the values of the market place and the latest moral fads.

The Torah establishes a central Jewish principle from the moment our ancestors left Egypt for good. Freedom and literacy go hand in hand. A free people receive Torah, study Torah, and develop their minds. Free people are also feeling and thinking people.

Unlike the nightmarish society portrayed by Ray Bradbury, free people make choices and make decisions about their place in the world. Both Judaism and the free society where we live gives us the opportunity to choose between expanding our insight and closing our minds to personal growth. The Reform movement of the 21st century beckons us to make choices on the basis of knowledge and commitment, rather than on the basis of ignorance and convenience. As the festival of Shavuot approaches, let us renew our reverence for our religious literature and for the life of the mind. In the words of the late Rabbi Louis Jacobs, a renowned Talmudic scholar, "study is a means of worship, of 'thinking God's thoughts after Him' and so linking the human mind with the divine."

Our Hebrew Tabernacle Book Club

Hebrew Tabernacle's book club challenges readers with thought-provoking works. We read "Marriage of Opposites," Alice Hoffman's lavishly written and evocative narrative about the convention-defying Sephardic family that produced Camille Pissarro, the Impressionist painter born on St. Thomas. We shared our insights and opinions about "Out of Egypt", Andre Aciman's rollicking, outrageous, and sometimes unsettling memoir of his ancestors.

"The Pious Ones: The World of the Hasidim and Their Battles with America" details the history, practices, ethics and sociopolitical problems of the fastest-growing segment of American Judaism. With a population doubling every 20 years, the Hasidim are on track to become the majority of U.S. Jews by the end of the century, according to writer Joseph Berger of the New York Times. We reflected on how Jewish groups from all backgrounds might work together, as so many religious groups live in communities separate from mainstream Judaism.

The Book Club meets monthly from 7-8:30pm in the Penthouse of Hebrew Tabernacle, accessible from the Fort Washington entrance. Please check the website for future dates and come with your thoughts and suggestions!

2018 SEDER REPORT AND THANKS

By Gary Thalheimer, *Seder Committee Chair*

Our annual Congregational/Community Seder on the first night of Passover was beautiful, enjoyable and successful, with 60 attendees.

I'd like to thank all who contributed to our Seder's success, especially our generous donors who kept our seder affordable. Donors are listed in the Bulletin.

Of course, to our clergy: Rabbi Jeffrey Gale for planning and leading our Seder, and for his outreach to make everyone a welcome participant; to Student Cantor Robby Wittner and to organist Ralph Selig for planning and leading the familiar tunes and a few new ones. Thanks to all three also for their editing to end the service before 10pm.

The hard-working members of the Seder Committee who made the arrangements, dealt with caterers, and organization were Charlie Friedman, Mike Klein,

Shelly Koy, Diana Douglas, and to Joan Laufer, who provided communication with our caterer and neighbor Yitzi. And thanks to him for the usual fine food and service.

Thanks also to the board of trustees and to those who worked behind the scenes in the office: David Hirsch, Shelly Koy and bookkeeper Irina Shneerson.

Not least, of course, THANKS TO ALL OF YOU who came and participated, as well as guests and non-members, some of whom came as a result of our inclusion on UJA's website, and to those members who made our newcomers feel welcome.

And next year, for those not in Jerusalem, we plan to gather on Friday April 19, 2019!

Rosh Chodesh

Continuing her series celebrating the beginning of a new month, congregant Julie Stevens led a lively discussion on new beginnings on March 17. Some 20 people enumerated the many new starts in the Jewish calendar, in the Torah and in our everyday lives. Julie guided us to think about why we need so many chances to start again -- so we can reflect, fail and try again, take a breather between jobs, and learn to see the world and our place in it anew. Everyone also enjoyed some delicious Mediterranean food made by a generous congregant.

Julie will be leading two more Rosh Chodesh sessions in the Spring – May 12 and June 16. Hold those dates! And spread the word.

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The Hebrew Tabernacle's Armin and Estelle Gold Wing Gallery
May/June, 2018 Exhibition
The Meditative Mosaics of
Alice Hunsberger



ARTIST'S STATEMENT:

This is Alice Hunsberger's first solo exhibition. For the past six years, she has been finding her spiritual practice in bringing individual pieces of broken china together to complete a whole mosaic.

A specialist in Persian esoteric poetry, she teaches history and comparative religions in the State University of NY at Old Westbury.

After a childhood in rural upstate New York, she graduated from a NYC public high school and has lived and raised a family in Manhattan for more than 40 years. alice.hunsberger@gmail.com
(646) 483-2925.



Artist's Opening Reception
Monday, May 14, 2018 from 6-7:45 pm

Directions: "A" train to 181 St. walk to 184 St. exit, take elevator up to Ft. Washington Ave., cross street. Or Bus: M4 or M98 to 185 St.



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HebrewTabernacle.org 212-568-8304
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Some evenings by appointment.
Wheelchair accessible – (Please call first.)

Exhibition open through Friday, June 29th

IN MEMORIAM

In grateful memory of the departed whose names are taken from the records of Hebrew tabernacle and Beth am and which appear on a separate weekly Yahrzeit list. It is our minhag to read Yahrzeit names at the Shabbat services following the date. **If you would like a name read, please call the office in the preceding week.**

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Purim Carnival

Hebrew Tabernacle extends its heartfelt thanks to Hebrew School parent and member Loren Christian, who gave countless hours to organize the Purim Carnival for the second year. Her trademark sparkle has brought new life to our cherished tradition.

Loren explains why Purim is important to her:

As a child, the Purim carnival was always my favorite. Dressing up, playing games -- a true celebration with neighbors and family. What a thrill watching my own children enjoying themselves with their friends and community at this year's Purim Carnival at Hebrew Tabernacle!

Dozens of parents, Hebrew Tabernacle staff and Hebrew school students themselves did an incredible job running all of the games. There were familiar faces preparing knishes and hot dogs, selling tickets, painting faces, and giving out prizes. Everyone lent a hand in this community celebration.

For the first time our Purim Carnival had a bouncy house, which helped draw a broad section of young neighborhood families to the event. Some 150 people cycled through the carnival during the day, a record in recent years. And the bouncy house kept the fun jumping inside of it and out.

This year's spiel, organized by Hebrew School Principal Shelly Koy, gave 35 Hebrew School students the chance to act out the Purim Story. Kids rotated through the parts in the classic script, making room for ten narrators, five Hamans, four Esthers, three Vashtis, and one Moredechai. New to the performance were a team of six cheerleaders with Pom Poms who led the audience to cheer on each of the main characters, except for Haman, of course, who received only boos.

The synagogue sends its heartfelt THANK YOU to all the volunteers and the many families and friends of Hebrew Tabernacle that celebrated with us. Special thanks to Dr. Eileen Scigliano, who supplied prizes throughout, to Denny and John Kelk for running the food table, to social work intern Tyshenia Robinson and to Sara Silver for her help in planning and fundraising.



Hamantashen Baking

The weekend before our Purim carnival, a dozen children met to bake hamantashen for our Mishloach Manot boxes and to sell as refreshments at the carnival. Hebrew Tabernacle sends special thanks to The Pie Lady, who generously donated one dozen balls of dough.

By Jamie Authers, age 8

It was fun. We set up an assembly line and everything ran smoothly. We each found a job we liked. My favorite was kneading extra flour into the dough, since you could play with it. Sometimes you could sample the fillings that my mom made ahead of time. I liked the apricot better than the prune, but both were good. We chatted the whole time, and told each other funny stories while we made about 400 hamantashen. Then we ate vegetarian Chinese food for lunch. Diana Douglas fueled the tank, and let us eat a few of the funny looking ones. Thanks to John and Denny who drove all the way back from their cabin to show us how to light the oven.

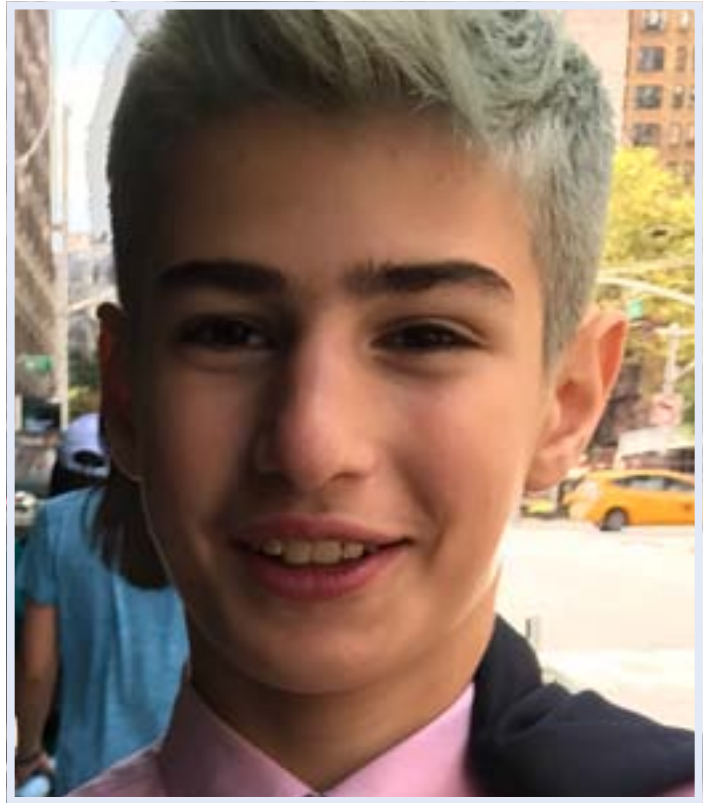




Helena Canning Bat Mitzvah

June 2, 2018

Helena Canning is a 7th grader at PS/IS 187, where she has been a student since Kindergarten. Helena enjoys many things, from dance to soccer and snowboarding to adventure camp. Next month, Helena will perform in her 7th annual dance production, where she dances Hip Hop, Jazz, Tap, Contemporary, AcroArts and Gymnastics. When not dancing, Helena plays spring and fall soccer, and rides her snowboard during the winter. In the summer months, Helena enjoys attending overnight camp at Frost Valley in the Catskills. Last summer, she travelled on two 2-week adventure trips -- a canoeing and camping trip in the Adirondacks; and a sea kayaking and climbing trip at Acadia National Park in Maine. This summer, Helena is looking forward to a white water rafting trip in West Virginia. When sitting idle, Helena can be found texting with friends, snapchatting her daily explorations or watching her favorite you-tubers. Helena has attended Hebrew school since 1st grade and for her Bat Mitzvah project, she spent this past year as a teacher's assistant in the Bet class. Although busy, Helena enjoys school and manages her studies well. She takes pride knowing she has been a city kid all of her life. Helena lives in the WaHI community with her parents, Tom and Debbie, her old brother Ben and newest members, Buddy and Sprout, her two rescue kitties!



Isaac Rosenthal Bar Mitzvah

June 9, 2018

Isaac lives in Central Harlem on with his parents, two dogs and his snake. He attends 7th grade The Windward Manhattan Middle School where he participates on Cross Country, Track and Student Council. Isaac is also a member of the Dunlevy Milbank CAS Stingrays swim team. He balances his enthusiasm for sports with a keen interest in travel, nature, politics and social justice. In the summer, Isaac attends a farm-to-table camp in the Adirondacks where, in addition to farm chores, he has summited half of the 46 high peaks of the Adirondacks with his fellow campers; he has a goal of completing the remainder over the next two summers. Isaac has spoken at protests and demonstrations in favor of opening a progressive middle school in East Harlem, against police violence and in support of stronger gun laws. This Spring, he spoke in Albany to lawmakers about his experience as a dyslexic student in public school. His mitzvah projects included a presentation on the myths and truths about dyslexia for public school teachers as well as helping his coaches with the youngest members of the swim team during competitions. Isaac is happy to celebrate his bar mitzvah with family and friends from his many communities.

HEBREW TABERNACLE ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDDING CEREMONY

The congregation is invited to the marriage ceremony of

Diana Douglas & Lester Howard

on June 24 at 3:00 PM in the Social Hall.

Please RSVP to Diana if you plan to attend.

cell: 917-656-9721 or Email dianaddouglas@hotmail.com.

Thank you.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The Board of Directors and the entire congregation warmly welcomes the following new members:

NICK BACON & DANA COHEN

We look forward to seeing you at services and celebrating many life cycle events.



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