



Hillcrest



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Good times are coming at Hillcrest because, hopefully, the cold and snow are behind us, and we can now look forward to warmer weather and more activities scheduled at our shul. Purim will be here in a few weeks, and we will have just enjoyed a festive dinner with our fellow members celebrating Shabbat Across America. We can also eagerly await a spring concert in April, as well as a communal Seder to mark the beginning of Passover. Each Shabbat, as I announce the list of upcoming events, I am struck by the sheer number of activities scheduled for the coming weeks including those planned by both our Sisterhood and Men's Club, inviting participation from members and non-members alike.

In January, Hillcrest hosted two events which were organized by outside groups. One was an organization called the *Arts4all Foundation* which commemorated International Holocaust Remembrance Day. It was sponsored by our Assemblyman David Weprin, Assemblyman Sam Berger, Councilman James Gennaro, and the Queens Jewish Community Council. Eight Holocaust survivors living in the Brooklyn and Queens area were honored. The ballroom was filled and there was extensive local newspaper and TV coverage. Most of the people in attendance were not Hillcrest members but came from the surrounding area. Fox Channel 5 News at 11 PM carried this event with video mentioning Hillcrest several times. In addition, the *Queens Examiner* had a full-page story on page 3 about the event. The name of Hillcrest Jewish Center was mentioned at least three times in the article.

Hillcrest also hosted a cat adoption event organized by a cat rescue organization called *MeowSquad NYC* which was sponsored by Councilman James Gennaro and Assemblyman Sam Berger. It was open to the public and was well attended. An article, which appeared

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SHABBAT AND HOLIDAY SERVICES

Friday, March 1

Candle Lighting	5:30 P.M.
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv	5:30 P.M.

Saturday, March 2 – Ki Tissa

Torah Reading: Exodus 30:11-34:35 Haftarah: I Kings 18:1-39	9:00 A.M.
Junior Congregation.....	10:00 A.M.
Mincha.....	4:45 P.M.
Shiur/Seudah Shlishit.....	5:15 P.M.
Maariv.....	6:15 P.M.
Shabbat ends	6:29 P.M.

Friday, March 8

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv	5:30 P.M.
Candle Lighting	5:38 P.M.

Saturday, March 9- Vayakhel, Shabbat Shekalim, Birkat HaChodesh

Torah Reading: Exodus 35:1-38:20, 30:11-16 Haftarah: II Kings 12:1-17

We welcome the new month Adar II

Rosh Chodesh is Sunday and Monday, March 10 and 11

Mincha.....	4:45 P.M.
Shiur/Seudah Shlishit.....	5:15 P.M.
Maariv.....	6:15 P.M.
Shabbat ends.....	6:37 P.M.

Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 10. Turn clocks ahead one hour

Friday, March 15

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv	6:30 P.M.
Candle Lighting	6:45 P.M.

Saturday, March 16 – Pekudei

Torah Reading: Exodus 38:21-40:38 Haftarah: I Kings 7:51-8:21

Mincha.....	6:00 P.M.
Shiur/Seudah Shlishit.....	6:30 P.M.
Maariv.....	7:30 P.M.
Shabbat ends	7:45 P.M.

Thursday, March 21 – Fast of Esther

Fast begins	5:30 A.M.
Morning Service	7:00 A.M.
Mincha with Torah and Haftarah Reading.....	6:00 P.M.
Maariv.....	7:00 P.M.
Fast ends	7:37 P.M.

Friday, March 22

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv	6:30 P.M.
Candle Lighting	6:53 P.M.

Saturday, March 23 – Vayikra – Shabbat Zachor

Torah Reading: Leviticus 1:1-5:26, Deuteronomy 25:17-19

Haftarah: I Samuel 15:2-34

Mincha.....	6:00 P.M.
Shiur/Seudah Shlishit.....	6:30 P.M.
Maariv.....	7:30 P.M.
Shabbat ends.....	7:52 P.M.
Erev Purim – Read Megillah.....	8:00 P.M.

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Manes Kogan..... *Rabbi*
 Rachel Black *Student Cantor*

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CENTER FAMILY

Congratulations to:

Joan Hausmann on the birth of her great-granddaughter Brynn Sophia Saffar.

March Milestone Anniversary:

Phyllis & Carl Gruber (55)

From Rabbi Kogan

Dear Friends of Hillcrest Jewish Center,

During the last congregational meeting on January 21st, an assessment for security guards was approved unanimously. Those of you who come to shul regularly, will know that we have wonderful and dedicated security guards, who keep all of us – members, staff, custodians, and clergy – safe.

In addition, we have been blessed with a wonderful student Cantor, Rachel Black (we all call her Cantor Rachel), thanks to the Cantor search committee and the leadership of our shul. Cantor Rachel not only has a beautiful voice and is knowledgeable in nusach, but she is engaging, caring, creative, and resourceful.

Our kiddush committee, led by Susan Diamond and a wonderful group of volunteers, has been providing all of us with delicious Shabbat luncheons, thanks to the generosity of many of our members.

The shul schedule explodes with programs, classes, small groups, adult education presentations, pickleball, Israeli dancing, Hebrew classes, and more. We have a dedicated staff, loyal and hard-working custodians, a smart, kind, and proactive executive director, and the rabbi isn't too bad either. In addition, a group of young parents is meeting regularly to think about new spaces for their children and teenagers.

What I am trying to say, in other words, is that our beloved Hillcrest Jewish Center is a wonderful, and safe, place to be.

All we need now is for all of our members to be more present. While we will continue streaming services, especially since we have members who are homebound and cannot attend in person, we want to encourage everyone who is able to join us in person for Shabbat services, minyan, and classes.

Get the most out of your membership! Try a new class, a small group, help make minyan, come and meet new people you haven't met, and keep our shul vibrant. Those in a position of leadership in our shul, are doing their part to make a difference. We need YOU to do yours!

Many blessings and see you soon!

Rabbi Manes Kogan

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *continued from page 1*

online in the *Queens News Service* website, mentioned Hillcrest Jewish Center at least three times and even included our address.

These events underscored our dedication to fostering connections beyond our walls, while also serving as a poignant reminder of the responsibility that accompanies our presence in the neighborhood. While it's wonderful to have such positive publicity about our hospitality to outside groups, there is always the danger that someone out there, seeing our name mentioned in the media, will decide to cause problems for us. Because we are the largest Jewish building in the area and located on Union Turnpike, we will always have a "target on our back."

For that and many other reasons, we have taken proactive measures to ensure the well-being of all who enter our doors. Armed security stands vigilant, a necessary precaution in safeguarding our cherished space. In addition, we are now in the process of applying for state and federal grants to help us pay for increased security, better physical protection, and updated electronic surveillance.

This is a reminder that all the wonderful activities that we are planning for the next year will come with a small price. Let us navigate these uncertain times with unwavering vigilance and determination, embracing the spirit of the upcoming holidays, Purim and Passover, with open hearts and steadfast resolve.

Stay safe in these turbulent times and enjoy the Purim and Passover Holidays with family, friends and loved ones.

Simeon Saturn, President



Rabbi Kogan and Pope Francis
February 12, 2024
More in the April 1 Bulletin

Save the Date
UPCOMING SPRING CONCERT – SUNDAY, APRIL 14
with
CANTOR RACHEL BLACK
and award-winning musician/composer
YARON GERSHOVSKY
More details to follow shortly

**Adult Education presents
ASIAN AMERICANS —
FOREVER FOREIGN?
Sunday, March 10
at 10:30 AM in the Moreida**



JOYCE MOY, JD, BA

Asian Americans have had a complicated place in American history and society. They are at once demonized and lauded as a model minority. The current political and cultural environment in the United States has spurred new waves of anti-Asian hate and laws that seek to bar Chinese and others from economic participation in this country, such as land ownership. The unconstitutional act of rounding up and imprisoning those of Japanese heritage, regardless of whether they were U.S. citizens or not, on unsubstantiated suspicions of being perpetrators of espionage during World War II, is again being played out in the accusations against Chinese American academics. This session will present an overview of Asian American history, and the dangers posed by the present climate in the U.S., not just to Asian Americans, but to all of us.

Joyce Moy is the founder and CEO of Fintelligent Strategies, Inc., a start-up committed to the financial and economic empowerment of low-income individuals, families, and communities.

As a former practicing attorney, Joyce finds immense reward in being able to apply her training and experience to advocate for communities excluded from full economic participation.

In her work with small businesses, Joyce recognized that immigrants, women, and entrepreneurs of color lacked basic financial literacy skills needed to succeed in their personal and business lives. As a result, Joyce developed a multi-day financial literacy and empowerment training program which has become a national model for financial counselors embedded in community-based organizations and government agencies serving the poor and working poor across the country.

Joyce has also served in numerous capacities seeking to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion. She is a founding

member and advisor to the Queens Borough General Assembly, an organization that brings together diverse leadership from across the borough to address issues facing communities.

Joyce has taught at the Cornell University School of Law, and at CUNY School of Law. She holds a BA from the State University of New York at Stony Brook and a JD from Hofstra University School of Law.

Join us on Sunday, March 10th at 10:30 AM in the Moreida Auditorium, as the Adult Education Committee hosts a presentation and discussion with Joyce Moy on *Asian Americans—Forever Foreign?* This program is free and open to the public. A light bagel breakfast will be served at 10:00 AM. *Reservations are required so we can plan accordingly.*

Sherry Reisner

Report from the Board of Trustees

In Ireland and Manhattan, Saint Patrick's Day is celebrated with corned beef, cabbage, shamrocks, and a parade. A thirsty few might also enjoy a bit of beer or whiskey. At Hillcrest Jewish Center, we will gather together on March 17th for a congregational meeting to elect a slate of officers and trustees. Coffee and tea will be served, and if there are green spots on the bagels, we will attribute them to the festive Irish holiday.

The synagogue constitution requires the Board of Trustees to kick off the annual election season by choosing eight lucky members to serve on the Nominating Committee. The Board fulfilled this duty at its January 16th meeting. The committee met in February, and decided to recommend the slate of officers and trustees that appears elsewhere in this bulletin. Thank you to Nominating Committee chair Susan Diamond and members Joel Berkowitz, Ira Lillien, Merle Askenas-Kaplan, Jeffrey Rosenberg, Mark Solkoff, Ted Weisz, and Steve Zellman for a job well done. And thank you to the nominees for being willing to serve.

The Board also voted to approve the following: a budget for the gala in honor of Rabbi Kogan's 18th Anniversary with HJC, which will be held on September 8th; a procedure for steps that must be taken before money can be accessed from inactive funds; and the expenditure of up to \$7,000 to redesign our website.

The Board held a special video meeting to approve a budget for our March 1st Shabbat Across America dinner.

Happy Purim to all.

Richard Kass, Board Chair

SISTERHOOD

Join us Monday, March 18th at 12:30 in the Moreida for "Nutrition and Lifestyle Approach for Healthy Joints." Our guest speaker will be Shmuel Shields PhD, CDN.

Dr. Shields is a New York State Certified Nutritionist with over 30 years of experience as a clinician and educator. He has served as an adjunct faculty member at New York University and is the author of "L'Chaim: 18 Chapters to Live By" and has a nutritional consulting practice in Queens.

Dr. Shields has special training and skill in advising patients on what to eat in order to achieve a specific health-related goal or lead a healthy lifestyle. As a Nutritionist, Dr. Shields performs tutorials on nutrition, assessment of clients' nutrient imbalance, customization of meal plans, evaluation and adjustments of those meal plans, public speaking on the relationship between good nutrition and disease prevention, and research on the latest nutritional science studies.

All members of Sisterhood and the congregation are welcome.

There are just a few days left to return your Shalach Manot order form. Friday, March 8th is our cut-off date. Monies raised help us provide our beloved Synagogue with improvements, send money to Israel through various venues, provide monthly programs for our congregation and much more. Sisterhood thanks you for your support.

Take a look at our Gift Shop windows. Passover is almost here. Are you invited to a seder? We have the perfect thank you gift for the hostess. Browse the Gift Shop on Shabbat for our beautiful new items. Call the office 718-380-4145 to set up an appointment during the week.

Donations to Sisterhood:

Rabbi Manes Kogan made a donation to the Sisterhood Stitches in memory of his sister Ariana Silvina Kogan's 60th *yahrzeit*.

Mimi Collier donated to Sisterhood with the following note:

It's been 28 years since our sanctuary was refurbished. I could never have done it without Sisterhood. For 57 years I have seen Sisterhood at work, and what it has accomplished is extraordinary."

HAPPY PURIM TO ALL.

*Karen Rothman,
Sisterhood President*

WORLD WIDE WRAP



SHABBAT AND HOLIDAY SERVICES

Sunday, March 24	8:30 A.M.
Reading of the Megillah	
Monday, March 25 – Shushan Purim	
Friday, March 29	
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv	6:30 P.M.
Candle Lighting	7:00 P.M.
Saturday, March 30 – Tzav – Shabbat Parah – Installation Shabbat..	9:00 A.M.
Torah Reading: Leviticus 6:1-8:36, Numbers 19:1-22	
Haftarah: Ezekiel 36:16-38	
Mincha	6:15 P.M.
Shiur/Seudah Shlishit	6:45 P.M.
Maariv	7:45 P.M.
Shabbat ends	8:00 P.M.

Ohr Chadash: In Unison with Humanity and Nature

The Torah teaches us that the Jewish people should serve as a light unto other nations. On Sunday, January 14th, our students learned this firsthand as Ohr Chadash commemorated Martin Luther King Jr. Day with a look at the connection between Dr. King and several rabbis who were involved with the Civil Rights movement in the 1960s.

From a past program, the children knew about Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, who marched in Selma, Alabama, arm-in-arm with Dr. King, in 1965. At last year's Ohr Chadash commemoration, we learned about Rabbi Joachim Prinz, who spoke at the March on Washington on August 28, 1963, just before Martin Luther King addressed the gathering with his famous, *I Have a Dream* speech.

This year we discovered a clergyman from New Jersey, Rabbi Israel Dresner, who was involved in the fight for racial equality as early as 1961, and who became known as the "most arrested Rabbi." His work for justice for many causes garnered him both notoriety and accolades throughout the years, one of the last honors being bestowed upon him by Temple Emanu-El in Manhattan in 2021.

Following the reading of several books about the connection between Reverend King and the Rabbis, our younger children created several posters about unity and cooperation. Our older students asked and answered questions about the content of one of the books which was at the core of our program.

This year the prognostications of Staten Island Chuck and Punxsutawney Phil were in accordance that an early spring was on the horizon. Our Ohr Chadash students have a more reliable barometer than that. On Sunday, January 28th, the Shorashim, Kochavim, Giborim, and Chaverim classes happily celebrated the New Year of the Trees, more commonly known as Tu B'Shevat. By enjoying the fruits of Israel, they know that gentler weather and emerging floral blossoms cannot be far behind. After three weeks of choral and terpsichorean rehearsals, the children were well prepared for the opening of the Tu B'Shevat Program, which began with the students singing and dancing to the tunes of the holiday under the tutelage of Moreh Marc. The ecology-oriented melodies imbued the students and teachers with the need to give back

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MEN'S CLUB

Military Bridge

We had 38 participants on a sunny Sunday afternoon, February 4th. We all had lots of fun chatting with our friends, making new friends, and are looking forward to participating in Military Bridge again in the near future.

Two teams tied for the bragging rights. One consisted of Simeon Saturn, Hariette Wittenberg Saturn, Hugo Beibe and Lili Nicenboim. The other team was Sy and Harriet Kaplan, and guests Bari and Mark Plaut.

Steve Zellman

On Sunday morning, February 11th, approximately 50 Minyanaires and part-timers gathered in the main Sanctuary for the always inspiring World Wide Wrap, which acknowledges the wearing of tefillin during Shacharit services. Following services, a scrumptious breakfast was provided compliments of the Men's Club. It included bagels (with a multitude of spreads), juice, coffee, tea, and Danishes.

Please join us on Sunday, March 24th in the Main Sanctuary, for the Megillah reading (costumes encouraged) followed by a Men's Club sponsored breakfast.

Keep tuned in via emails, texts, flyers, robo calls and Shabbat services for announcements of future Men's Club happenings open to all: Karaoke, movies, fishing, and more.

Reminder to all synagogue members: yearly Men's Club dues are \$45. Make check payable to Men's Club, Hillcrest Jewish Center, mail or deliver to the office.

Questions? Comments? Suggestions? Please contact President Marty Guttman at mpguttman@gmail.com.

*Joel Berkowitz,
Men's Club co-VP*

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and to preserve and perpetuate the gifts bestowed upon humanity by planet Earth.

Morah Judy conducted the ceremonial portion of the Tu B'Shevat Seder, which included the reading from the holiday's Haggadah. They learned of the three categories of the different fruits, which ones were partly edible due to a non-digestible shell, pit, or core, and which ones are completely consumable. The children had the opportunity to partake of several fruits in each category.

Each season was accompanied by a different tint of grape juice. The children watched as the white grape juice of winter morphed into a more colorful hue with the advent of spring, a deeper color for summer, coinciding with the earth's complete blossoming once again, and then finally the darkest purple color, representing the harvest which accompanies autumn. At the celebration's conclusion each student had the choice of planting either cherry tomato seeds or bell pepper seeds. We hope they will tend their mini-gardens, which should bring forth a plant as we progress into late spring.

The Ohr Chadash Annual Kosher for Passover Candy Sale is under way, which our children look forward to. We hope everyone will help out and participate. 40% of the monies realized are used to underwrite the cost of special programs which enhance our students' learning experience. All orders must be placed before Sunday, March 10th.

As of this writing we are anticipating the upcoming World Wide Wrap program at Hillcrest Jewish Center, where the children will learn the whys and wherefores of donning tefillin at weekday morning services and the importance the phylacteries play in Jewish lives.

Also in the immediate future is Presidents' Week vacation, after which our students will return refreshed to Ohr Chadash, ready to increase their knowledge of Mordecai, Esther, and the circumstances which brought about the salvation of our people when faced with a contemporary Amalek. They will be rehearsing holiday songs, which they hope to perform before family members at the Purim Carnival celebration on Sunday, March 24th.

Wishing all *Chag Purim Sameach*,
Morah Shari

Nominating Committee Report

The following slate was presented by the Nominating Committee:

President Simeon Saturn
Vice Presidents: Helene Jacob

Jamey Kohn
Alan Reisner

Treasurer Edna Greene
Secretary Steven Gorochow

Three Year Trustees 2024-2027:
Robert Zuckerman
Monte Shulkes
Susan Straus
Lisa Hochstein
Carol Greenberg
Gail Keren

HJC MEMBERSHIP MEETING**SUNDAY, MARCH 17****10:00 AM**

**Election of Board of Trustees
Update on the sale
of the building**

PURIM

Thank you to all who have participated in our Shalach Manot project. As you receive this bulletin, you still have a few days left to participate.

I want to thank Karen Rothman and Lisa Hochstein for their shopping for the items for the bags.

Purim is on March 23rd and 24th. See you at the Megillah reading when you can pick up your bag. This is a major fund-raising event for Sisterhood. Remember that bags will be available for all HJC members in the office for about a week after Purim. *Iris Schachter*

**MOWSHOWITZ LIBRARY
Recommended New Books****Non Fiction**

The Genius of Israel
by Dan Senor and Paul Singer

Biography

Ukraine is Not Dead Yet
by Megan Buskey

Fiction

The Wolf Hunt
by Ayelat Gundar-Goshen

The Archivists: Stories
by Daphne Kalotay

Kill Brothers
by Steven Moscovitz
Straddling Black and White
by Kim Salzman

Sisterhood of
Hillcrest Jewish Center
proudly presents

**Moonlights
5784**

**A ROSH CHODESH
GATHERING
TO CELEBRATE
THE NEW MOON**

**Tuesday, March 12
7:30-8:30 PM**

*In-Person Program
Upper Moreida*

**What's the Deal
With Two Adars?
and
Dutch Artists
Paint Purim?**

Join us for a JOYFUL evening

RSVP encouraged
HJC Office (718)380-4145

**HILLCREST
COLLEGE STUDENTS****PURIM
IS COMING**

Register your college
mailing address to receive
Purim greetings from
Rabbi Kogan
and
Hillcrest Jewish Center

Call Carol Kantro
347-235-4105
Email Kantro2@gmail.com

SYNAGOGUE OFFERINGS

As a member-in-good-standing, you may phone the office with your donation and the amount will appear on your next HJC bill.

Reminder

There is a \$25 minimum donation required for the listing to be printed in the Bulletin (one name per yearzeit listing).

General Fund:

Sherry & Alan Reisner wish Joan Hausmann a speedy recovery so she can get back to work.

Judith & Martin Guttman wish Yasher Koach to Sherry & Alan Reisner and Kathy & Gerry Lewis for their extraordinary efforts to raise funds for HJC.

Linda & Richard Morris in honor of Stanley Klein's birthday.

Joan Hausmann in honor of the birth of great-granddaughter Brynn Sophia Saffar.

Nora Kozuch thanks several members who attended services on Shabbat, January 27, including, but not limited to Silvia Kogan, Cantor Rachel, Kathy & Gerry Lewis, Aram Schlosberg, Judy Guttman, Rami Carmeli, Miriam Feldman, Esther Tokarz, and more.

Carol Zolondek for yearzeit of mother Celia Fish.

Sheila Rubin for yearzeit of father Aaron Silver.

Laurie Badner for yearzeit of father Louis Bobrow.

Barbara Schuckman for yearzeit of father Louis Gold.

Joel Berkowitz for yearzeit of sister Marcia Berkowitz Bunze.

Arthur Anderman for yearzeit of mother Mae Anderman.

Cheryl Schack for yearzeit of mother Bernice Berliant.

Cheryl Meyer for yearzeit of mother Eleanor Wolff.

Steven Rosenhaus for yearzeit of father Lawrence Rosenhaus.

Michael Silver for yearzeit of mother Florence Silver.

Sherry Reisner for yearzeit of beloved father Jacob Weinthal.

Reese Ackerman for yearzeit of grandfather Jacob Benjamin Katz.

Yvette Bercovitz for yearzeit of husband George Bercovitz.

Abby Belson for yearzeit of mother Molly Avin.

Michael Goodman for yearzeit of father Lennard Goodman.

Eugene Gurr for yearzeit of mother Estelle Gurr.

Errol & Toby Wind for yearzeit of mother Edith Morris.

Michael Brofman for yearzeit of mother Phyllis Brofman.

Yvonne Germaine Gelbord for yearzeit of husband Bernard David Gelbord.

Jacob Schraeter for yearzeit of mother Chaya Sara Schraeter.

Eva Sanders for yearzeit of father Bela Witt.

Mark Solkoff for yearzeit of aunt Helen Goldberg.

Fredda Chodrow-Goldberg for yearzeit of grandfather Hersh Leib Chodrow.

Rochelle Apfelroth for yearzeit of parents Sara & Arthur Braude.

Amy Bossak for yearzeit of father Sidney Lilien, husband of Leah Lilien.

Ellen Rothstein, Mark Rothstein and Susan Asch for yearzeit of grandmother Yetta Rothstein.

Jeannette Kent for yearzeit of mother-in-law Dora Mackover.

Cindy Miller for yearzeit of brother Stephen Miller.

Fryda Kessel for yearzeit of father Eli Manes Katz.

Jacky Almog Mizrahi for yearzeit of mother Miriam bat Yael.

Inez Levy for yearzeit of husband Paul Levy.

Richard Morris for yearzeit of mother Edith Morris

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:

Terri & Walter Winter.

Eleonora & Dmitriy Kogan in honor of Rabbi Kogan's birthday.

Sheila Chustek sends best wishes to Joan Hausmann for a quick and easy recovery.

Gail Keren in honor of brother Scott Friedman.

Gail Keren for yearzeit of beloved mother Blanche Friedman.

Zane Tenenbaum in appreciation to all the attendees for their support and kindness as he said Kaddish for his wife Sima Ellenbogen Tenenbaum.

Rhoda Ellner for yearzeit of father Isaac Katz.

Terri Winter for yearzeit of father Rabbi Leonard Zucker.

Meir Lederman and Raquel Lederman in memory of father Yehuda Yidl Ben Harav Yakov Yitzhak Julio Lederman.

Betty Kaplan in loving memory of sister Charlotte Teig.

Edith & Aaron Goldberg College Outreach Fund:

Adele Rothstein for yearzeit of father Hyman Leichter.

Thank You, Thank You

My first thank you goes to Sherry & Alan Reisner who took me to NY Presbyterian, or as we still call it, Booth Memorial, emergency back on January 16th. Sherry was also instrumental in getting the proofs out on the February Bulletin and working with the printer.

Thanks to Rabbi Kogan who visited me several times in the hospital and at rehab. It was a long 3 weeks.

Thanks also for all the calls and visits and offers to drive me to different places. Hillcrest is truly my second family.

I'll still be a one-handed typist for a while. Be careful and try to avoid black ice.

Joan Hausmann

OUR SIMCHA TREE

Our lovely Simcha Tree in the Upper Moreida was given to us by a donor who wanted to see our families' and friends' milestones and achievements commemorated while raising funds for our beloved Hillcrest Jewish Center.

Did you know that in addition to individual leaves we are offering an option to celebrate simchot with a **group leaf**? When a fellow congregant has a milestone birthday, anniversary, or big achievement (retirement, award, etc.) a group of friends, and/or family, can get together to commemorate the happy occasion with a **group leaf**. To start a group leaf, simply contact the office and let us know the simcha leaf recipient and the happy occasion. A notice will be shared with the congregation announcing that a group leaf has been started. A minimum pledge of \$25 is required for all participants who wish to be part of the group leaf. Each donor should contact the office to add their pledge. Once \$360 has been pledged, the leaf will be ordered. As with all leaves, the proceeds will go into the Capital Improvements Fund.

TEA AND SCHMOOZE

The snow may be falling, but May will be here before you know it. And that means Tea and Schmooze will be happening once a month on a Friday evening in May, June, July and August.

We're looking for speakers. It could be you, or perhaps you know someone who would speak for a short while. Please let the office know.

Debbie Solkoff

DAILY SERVICES

Monday-Friday mornings ..	7:00 AM
Sunday and Holiday mornings	
.....	8:30 AM
Sunday-Thursday evenings	
.....	7:00 PM

Save the Date!

Sunday, September 8, 2024

honoring

Rabbi Manes & Silvia Kogan

Daniela, Ian, and Abby

on their 18th Anniversary

at Hillcrest Jewish Center

Just an alert

We have been hearing from several of our members and friends that packages delivered by Amazon, UPS and other delivery companies are being stolen from porches within 10 minutes of delivery. Apparently the trucks are being followed and the pilferage is prompt.