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Sisterhood Meeting

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH 10:00AM SISTERHOOD/MEN'S CLUB PAID-UP MEMBERSHIP BRUNCH!

SISTERHOOD NEWS BEGINS ON PAGE 26

HAMAKOM YINACHEM

Pearl Plawsky on the passing of her husband, Martin Plawsky. Hannah Dworkin on the passing of her husband, Howard Dworkin.

MAZEL TOV

Rochelle & Steven Battino on the birth of their granddaughter Raquelle, daughter of Ashley & Justin Battino.

Dorit & David Mass on the birth of their grandson, Jade Eli, son of Stacy & Michael Mass.

Stacey & Steven Granat on the marriage of their daughter, Wallis, to Andrew Ross, son of Debbie & Howard Ross.

Marilyn & Marty Leibowitz on the birth of their great granddaughter, Chaya Tamar Nayman, daughter of Yisroel and Chanie Nayman and granddaughter of Sharon & Barry Gross.

KEEP US INFORMED!! Got good news? Engagements, marriages, births? Send your information by mail, fax (516-938-2737) or email (pjcli@optonline.net) so that we may share your simchas with the congregation.

PLEASE LET OUR CLERGY KNOW! Current laws prevent hospitals from releasing names of patients. Please call the Temple Office when you, a family member, or friend are in the hospital and would welcome a visit. Contact the Temple office at 516-938-8610 ext.0.

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WEEKDAY SERVICES

Mon. thru Fri	7:30AM	
Mon. thru Thurs	.8:00PM	
Sun. and Holidays	9:00AM	
Sun. and Holidays	8:00PM	
Friday Evening Services -		

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NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Rabbi Steven Conn will officiate at services

The Officers and Board of Trustees Extend a Hearty Mazel Tov to the Families of the Following Simchas

Saturday, November 1st	Sisterhood/Men's Club Paid Up
Shacharit Service9:00AM	Membership Brunch10:00AM
BAT MITZVAH: YONAH COHEN,	Patio Players Rehearsal12:00PM
DAUGHTER OF KATY AND JOSHUA COHEN	Tuesday, November 18th
Livestream Ma'ariv/Havdalah6:00PM	Sisterhood Board Meeting7:30PM
Beatles Tribute Band at	Men's Club Board Meeting8:30PM
East Meadow-Beth El Jewish Center 8:00PM	<u>Wednesday, November 19th</u>
Sunday, November 2 nd	Patio Players Rehearsal7:30PM
Men's Club Irving Weingarten Morning Minyan9:00AM	Thursday, November 20th
Patio Players Rehearsal12:00PM	Ritual Committee Meeting8:30PM
Wednesday, November 5th	Friday, November 21st
Patio Players Rehearsal7:30PM	Erev Shabbat Service
<u>Friday, November 7th</u>	<u>Saturday, November 22nd</u>
Erev Shabbat Service4:30PM	Shacharit Service9:00AM
Musical Tot Shabbat5:30PM	Shir and Share Friendsgiving10:00AM
<u>Saturday, November 8th</u>	Livestream Ma'ariv/Havdalah5:45PM
Shacharit Service9:00AM	Sunday, November 23 rd
Livestream Ma'ariv/Havdalah5:00PM	Men's Club Irving Weingarten Morning Minyan9:00AM
Sunday, November 9 th	Panel Discussion: Medical Assisted Death10:00AM
Men's Club Irving Weingarten Morning Minyan9:00AM	Patio Players Rehearsal12:00PM
Walk for a Cause9:00AM	Monday, November 24 th
Sandwich Making10:00AM	Teen Social Action
Patio Players Rehearsal12:00PM	Tuesday, November 25th
Wednesday, November 12 th	Thanksgiving Interfaith Service7:00PM
Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Conn11:00AM	Wednesday, November 26 th
Patio Players Rehearsal7:30PM	Patio Players Rehearsal7:30PM
Thursday, November 13 th	Friday, November 28th
Board of Trustees Meeting8:30PM	Erev Shabbat Service4:15PM
Friday. November 14th	Saturday, November 29th
Erev Shabbat Service4:15PM	Shacharit Service9:00AM
Saturday, November 15 th	Livestream Ma'ariv/Havdalah4:45PM
Shacharit Service9:00AM	Sunday, November 30 th
Livestream Ma'ariv/Havdalah4:45PM	Men's Club Irving Weingarten Morning Minyan9:00AM
Sunday, November 16 th	Patio Players Rehearsal12:00PM
Men's Club Irving Weingarten Morning Minyan9:00AM	

ALL SERVICES ARE LIVE STREAMED ON THE PJC FACEBOOK PAGE.
EVENING SERVICES ARE HELD IN PERSON
AT PJC AT 8PM MONDAY - THURSDAY

PLEASE NOTE: NOVEMBER 25TH SERVICE WILL BE AT 6:30PM.
NO 8:00PM SERVICE ON NOVEMBER 25TH.

MORNING SERVICES ARE HELD IN PERSON AT PJC
AND LIVESTREAM ON MONDAY, TUESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30AM.
WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY MORNING SERVICES WILL BE
LIVESTREAM ONLY AT 7:30AM.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!

FROM THE RABBI by Rabbi Steven Conn

I shared these thoughts with the congregation on the eve of the release of the 20 living hostages. Weeks later, these words can serve as a guide for handling the emotions we are all feeling at this very uncertain time.



For more than two years, we have waited, anxiously and impatiently for this moment. At times, we thought it would never come.

For two years, we have prayed for the hostages, we have run for their lives, we have posted their pictures in every Jewish public space, including our own lobby. The hostages have never been far from our thoughts. We remembered them on every holiday, set places for them at our seder tables.

And now, God willing, the last twenty living hostages will be returned to their families, returned to their communities, returned to their homeland and, yes, returned to us, our people. On Monday, God willing, the hostages will finally be free.

How will we mark this historic moment, this day when our prayers will finally be answered?

This might seem like a silly question. But with all that has happened since October 7th, any one of us might feel a range of emotions, all of them legitimate and justified by this long ordeal we have shared together as a people.

Among the emotions we might feel are:

Relief that the hostages have finally been released from the dark tunnels and closets they have been held in, that they are no longer suffering from torture, hunger and humiliation.

Anger that it has taken so long to bring the hostages home.

Pride in the fortitude of the hostages who managed to survive such inhuman conditions.

Gratitude to the Israel Defense Forces, to Prime Minister Benyamin Netanyahu, to President Donald Trump for making the release of the hostages possible.

Sadness at the thought of those hostages who died in captivity in Gaza or whose bodies were held there after being killed in the October 7th massacre and whose remains may not be returned to their families for some time, if ever.

Anxiety over the uncertainty of what exactly will happen next, whether the ceasefire will hold or whether fighting will break out again.

Righteous indignation that those who responsible for the October 7th massacre and hostage taking or for not preventing have not been held fully accountable, or that the release of the hostages comes at the price of releasing terrorists who have not paid for their crimes and who are now free to commit further acts of terror.

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All these emotions are legitimate. We, as individuals and as a people, will be working through these emotions in the coming months and even years until we truly come to terms with what has happened, to the hostages, to Israel, to Gaza and to the Jewish people over the last two years.

I would like to propose, however, that we put aside all these emotions on Monday and focus on just one: joy.

Sukkot is *Z'man Simchataynu*—the season of our joy, the one holiday on which it is a mitzvah to rejoice, to be happy.

One of the key ways we rejoice on Sukkot is by taking the etrog and lulav.

Why these four species? The Torah describes them as "the product of *hadar* trees, branches of palm trees, boughs of leafy trees, and willows of the brook."

Midrash Vayikra Rabbah teaches

"The fruit of a pleasant [hadar] tree" – this is Israel; just as the citron has taste and has fragrance, so Israel has people among them who have Torah and have good deeds. "Branches of date palms" – this is Israel; just as the date palm has taste but has no fragrance, so Israel has people among them who have Torah but do not have good deeds. "A bough of a leafy tree" – this is Israel; just as the myrtle has fragrance but has no taste, so Israel has people among them who have good deeds but do not have Torah. "Willows of the brook" – this is Israel; just as the willow has no taste and has no fragrance, so Israel has people among them who do not have Torah and do not have good deeds. What does the Holy One blessed be He do to them? To eradicate them is not possible. Rather, the Holy One blessed be He said: Let them all be bound together in a single bundle and they will atone for one another. If you do so, at that moment, I will be ascendant.

For the midrash, each one of the four species is essential. When we take them together, the four species represent the unity of the Jewish people. In unity, in wholeness, we are strong. And when we are strong God is ascendant. But when we are not together, when one part of us is missing, we are vulnerable and even on our most joyous holiday, we cannot completely rejoice.

For the last two years, one essential part of our people has been missing: the hostages. We have not been whole as a people. We certainly have not been united. We have not been able to full rejoice, even in the most joyous of times on the Jewish calendar, because a part of us has been missing.

On Monday, when the hostages are reunited with their families, they will be whole again. And so, in a way, will we. All of those whose lives could be saved will

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have been saved. As long as the bodies of the other 28 hostages remain in Gaza, we will not have closure. There is more sadness yet to come. But on Monday, we will be as close to whole as we have been in two years. And together with the families of the hostages, we can finally rejoice on that seventh day of our season of joy.

So let's let Monday be a day of rejoicing. We need it. The hostages and their families deserve it. And we are bound together with them, and the hostages, stronger for their return, aching to share their joy. Let's set aside our worries, our fears and our politics for just one day. Let's celebrate together 20 lives saved, 20 of our brothers and sisters returned to us, returned to their families, returned to freedom. In the words of the Hallel prayer that we recite each day of Sukkot

-"This is the day that the LORD has made"—a day in which the hostages have delivered —from bondage to freedom—"let us exalt and rejoice on it."

Because the hostages, whom we prayed for and marched for and rallied for and agonized for, are finally, finally home.

PJC MISSION STATEMENT

Plainview Jewish Center is a forward-looking, family-friendly, Conservative synagogue, which respects and incorporates traditional Jewish values. We are completely egalitarian and inclusive in all aspects of synagogue life.

We strive to provide a distinct, positive Jewish identity through worship, life-long education, enrichment, and community involvement. These practices ensure a congregation in which every member matters.



FRONT DOOR SECURITY

As a part of maintaining a secure building at all times. especially when security personnel are not present (evening meetings and evening services), the front doors will no longer be open just prior to the start of a meeting or services. We will institute the policy below:

Commencing immediately, in order to gain access to the synagogue using the front entrance doors (again when there is no security personnel on site), everyone will be required to ring the video intercom button to the left of the doors. The doors will be unlocked by the remote control and you will be able to gain access to the building. For those requiring handicap access, an automatic door opener has been installed and the button is clearly marked. The right hand door will open by an automatic arm and close behind you.

Any questions or suggestions, email me: bhcpa@optonline.net. Bruce Hymowitz

In case inclement weather causes PJC to cancel in-person services, we will notify you at least one half hour before those services in the following ways:

- 1. An email will be sent;
- 2. A message will be posted on the PJC Facebook page;
- 3. A voice message will be on the PJC phone (516-938-8610)
 In the event that the in-person services are canceled, we will still offer livestream services.

Power or Internet outrages may affect our ability to notify you. In that case use your discretion.

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT by SHEA LERNER

Yom Kippur Annual Address to the Congregation October 2, 2025

For those who expressed gratitude for my address before the congregation during Yom Kippur, it is my honor to have it reprinted as my Orbit article for the month.



Since 1953, it has been our tradition, that the Synagogue President address the Congregation on its annual "State of Affairs". In my fifth time doing so, I want to take the liberty to deviate from speeches of years past. As a community and as a people, our challenges remain. For 72 years, we continue to "Kadima" forge ahead and evolve as a home and beacon for the Jewish community of Plainview-Old Bethpage and Eastern Nassau County. Having been born into this congregation 56 years ago, my ties are forged in steel, as I reminisce of our "golden age" and the new environs we navigate as Jews, Zionists and members of a greater American suburban society.

As a Glass Half Full person, I do not ignore our challenges, yet I can clearly see the opportunities that lay at our feet. This year alone, we welcome some new young families who clearly yearn to share the same values that have made this congregation stand out amongst its peers. Our religious school continues to attract those looking for a "full service" Jewish experience, our Tot Shabbat program continues to attract 80+ people monthly, Our Teen Social Action Committee continues to expand, our congregation continues to be awarded Security Grants enabling Capital Improvements, and of late, significant foundation support for newly created Friday Night Experiences, Teen programming, PJ Library and Communal Torah study to name a few. Let's not forget a Men's Club and Sisterhood cadre that continues to lead the way not just locally, but nationally. These successes do not reflect a congregation in decline, but a congregation successfully navigating turbulent times with a vision for the future.

All to often, we dwell on the negative. As a three-term President and one who has considerable experience in both the Jewish Communal, non-profit and philanthropic fields, I need not hear day after day, person after person, telling me what we already know. I am quite aware of the problems. What we all need are those to step up and be part of the solution, whatever that solution may be. President Kennedy said it best when he quipped that "Success has many fathers, but failure is a lonely orphan".

Please allow me to digress for just one minute. Please look to the left and please look to your right at our memorial plaques that adorn the sanctuary walls. In my hand, is a listing of the Yahrtzeit names we commemorate, prepared each month.

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Keep these visuals in the back of your minds for a few moments, I will circle back.

Over the course of the year, I interact with many, if not all of you and it is a real pleasure and something I enjoy immensely. I like to think, if not believe wholeheartedly, the feelings are mutual. Over the course of these interactions, I love to hear what is going on in your lives and that of your children, grandchildren, etc. Invariably, these conversations detail the successes of your families, jobs, vehicles, homes, vacations etc and in many cases your love and financial support of these endeavors. Zay Gezunt as they say. What strikes me odd, is that when the conversation turns to whether or not these offspring belong to synagogues or participate in Jewish life, the response is for the most part the same; "oh, it's too expensive, and the cost, prohibitive". Though true, I often walk away thinking, "do these people actually think I buy this line of reasoning"? We just went from discussing luxury vehicles, \$25,000 summer camps, vacations and luxury goods, yet their participation in the Jewish community is too expensive". Frankly, I used to be offended that people would think I would actually fall for this line of reasoning; however, over the past few years and Presidencies, I have matured, mellowed and come to realize, it is not the cost of commitment that is the issue, but the commitment itself, or lack thereof. Parents are in many ways masking the failure to pass down the importance of affiliation or connection with organized Judaism, whatever it is or wherever it is. I joked at our last congregation meeting in June, that the "only thing two Jews can agree upon, is what the third Jew should donate"! In this reality, many of our congregants' express dismay at the inability to attract young families, while ignoring their own children's refusal to affiliate.

A separate speech can be given on the growing scourge of Anti Semitism, Anti Zionism, etc. I will say, nothing has changed; only that the lack of Jewish education, identity and experiences has put our children at a significant disadvantage to fight back and counter our detractors. All the monies we spent on our children's upbringing, did not shield them from the oldest form of hatred this world has ever known. We in fact, are guilty of sending our children into battle, unarmed with the tools to fight back and stand proud.

So, now back to my earlier visuals. On these walls, are the names of loved ones we will be commemorating at Yizkor shortly. Additional names are in the Yizkor books placed on the pews. On the sheet I hold up, are the names of the upcoming Yahrtzeits that are announced at every service and kaddish is recited in their memory. On this paper, lists the names of the deceased and that of their loved one. Unfortunately, as you browse the list, more and more names appear as having no observers. A very sad commentary on a life lived and loved. I know make a challenge to each and everyone of you. As you go home and break your fasts and celebrate with your loved ones, ask your children the following:

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- · Will they know to say kaddish for you for the 11 months required?
- · Will they recite Yizkor four times a year on Yom Kippur, and the last day of Passover, Shavuot and Shemini Atzeret?
- · Will they visit your grave at least once a year during Elul or any other time?
- · Will they place a memorial plaque in a synagogue to commemorate your yahrtzeit?
- · Who will commemorate the love and support you gave during your lifetime in the world to come?
- Does your unending financial support of your offspring guarantee remembrance for eternity?

If any of these answer's are in the negative, a rethinking of one's priorities may be at hand. Please understand, I do not tell people how to spend their dollars; however, as a professional fundraiser, I enable people to perpetuate their legacies. It's a hard concept to swallow, what will become of our legacy and history, if this congregation ceases to exist in the future due to lack of commitment?

As you heard from Rabbi Conn and Stacy Meyerson last year about our planned Endowment Campaign and last week again from Stacy regarding its public phase, I am happy to report we have received over \$325,000 in signed commitments over time and we currently have approximately \$250,000 in active financial management currently. The dividend and income stream generated by the fund will help to ensure that PJC continues to thrive in perpetuity; all while allowing the principle to grow as well. Scheduled solicitations continue for support and further details will be provided shortly for everyone to have a stake in preserving our future.

As a fundraising professional, I live by the motto "in order to ask, one should give". This guiding principle has enabled my family to name the Endowment in honor of my Parents, Diana and Leonard. Though I may have never consciously given them the credit for forging my commitment, attachment and allegiance to PJC, it is surely evident in the layman's path I have chosen for myself and as Pam and I witness, my son Noah too, takes in college.

With over 1.51m registered 501c(3)'s in this nation, people support organizations for one of two reasons. Either they have a personal connection to them, or they are asked to support someone's charity and it is therefor reciprocated.

Of all the organizations I support, PJC is by far, my most important. It is said, "charity begins at home, and the Plainview Jewish Center is my home". I openly embrace it and make no excuses for it. The thought of it not being around for another 70 plus years is something I could not bear. I would hope that you all feel the same way.

Wishing you all a G'mar Chatimah Tovah, may we all be sealed for a good year in the Book of Life.

Family Friendly Friday Night Services

Hello everyone! There is no FFFNS in November.

We are always looking for sponsors – \$20 for birthday, anniversary, any other simcha, or for any reason. Sponsors help us put together wonderful onegs after services. If interested, please contact Gail Kriss at (516) 932-5778 or krisses@aol.com.

Any questions, please contact the committee as follows:

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KIDDUSH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!



Do you have an hour a week,
on Thursday or Friday morning,
to help set up the kiddush for Shabbat?
We need 4-6 people to do this once a month.

Contact: Robin Kaufman @ 516-650-3707

Plainview Jewish Center Men's Club in cooperation with Big Brothers Big Sisters

new or gently
used coats and
blankets
Please leave
donated items
in the lobby by

Tues. Dec. 9

Thank you!

For further information contact Howard Lampert: 516-225-0809 howpert@aol.com





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It's time for the PJC Men's
Club Super Bowl Pool.
Go to: https://superbowlpoolsite.com/
contest/617910?p=CMLAAJJM

Please pay for your box(es) when picking them or call David Dender 917-273-6668 to arrange payment.
Payment method: PayPal: pjcmensclub@gmail.com Please visit the contest rules page for additional details.

Religious School - Michal Fruchter, Principal

Dear Families,

The month of October was filled with activities for our students, from learning and celebrating the Jewish Holidays to Art Minimester with Morah Teri, and cooking apple crisps with me. I have heard from so many parents that their children really enjoy these programs.

After learning about Israel with our Shinshinit Kimor and creating a project with Morah Teri, the children are so proud of what they have created. They also have learned a Jewish value or custom through hands-on learning. Please enjoy the photos below taken of our students during their Minimesters.

Reminder: Wednesday, November 27th - Sunday, November 30th - No School

Enjoy the Thanksgiving Holiday with your friends and family. All My Best, *Michal Fruchter*





October 2025

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR B'NAI/B'NOT MITZVAH

YONAH COHEN - November 1, 2025



Yonah is the daughter of Katy and Joshua Cohen and has a sister, Mariela. She is an eighth grader at H.B. Thompson Middle School. Yonah enjoys playing tennis and the piano. She also enjoys Tae Kwon Do Her favorite holiday is Chanukah which she celebrates with her family. For her Mitzvah Project, Yonah will be hosting a fundraiser through the JNF for youth in the land of Israel.

WE WISH TO THANK AND EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO THE FOLLOWING FAMILIES FOR THEIR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION TO PJC:

Carin P. Courtney

Harriet Haimes

Barbara J. Gewirtz - In memory of Martin Plawsky

Rhoda Meshover - In memory of Martin Plawsky

Iris & Steven Berman

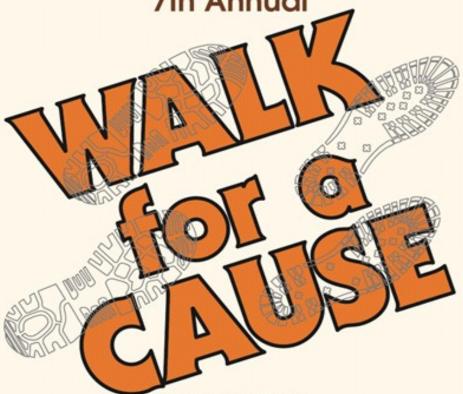
Pam, Shea & Noah Lerner and Diana & Lenny Lerner – In memory of Martin Plawsky

Les Wolff

Katy & Joshua Cohen - In honor of Yonah Cohen's Bat Mitzvah

Marilyn Greenberg

PJC Men's Club & Sisterhood's 7th Annual



In support of

PJC Sandwich-Making for Long Island Connections, a neighborhood outreach network to assist local families in need.

Sunday, November 9th from 9:00 am sharp to 10:00 am

- The walk will start at PJC, continue to the Stratford Road School, walk around the track 4 times and then return to PJC
 - · Swag bags and hot chocolate for all walkers after the walk

Donations are appreciated

 Donate via PayPal: pjcmensclub@gmail.com.
 Please be SURE to use the Friends & Family setting and not Goods or Products to avoid fees

• Venmo: @lever11 OR make checks payable to PJC Men's Club

Donors who give \$72 or more will receive a complimentary event t-shirt

• This is a rain or shine event.

For further information contact Steven Adelman at stevenga2@gmail.com or 516-382-1681

SANDWICH MAKING FOR LONG ISLAND CONNECTIONS



NOVEMBER 9TH FOLLOWING WALK FOR A CAUSE

JOIN OUR DEDICATED GROUP OF VOLUNTEERS

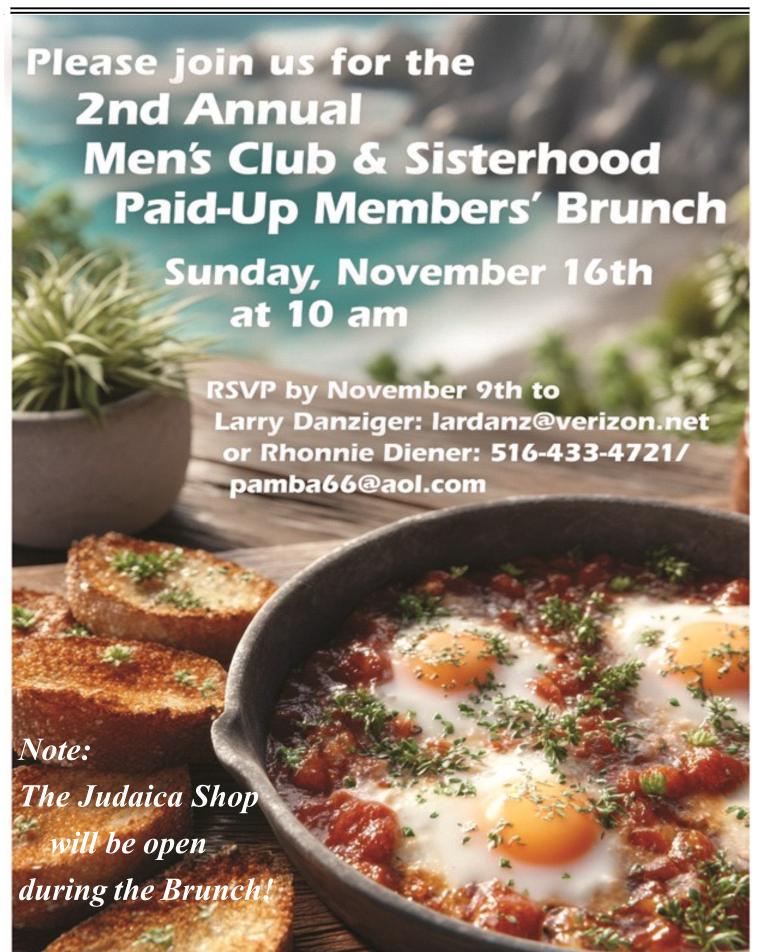
TO MAKE BAGGED LUNCHES
FOR THE HOMELESS AND NEEDY OF LONG ISLAND

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO PITCH IN AS WE CONTINUE OUR COMMITMENT TO FEEDING THE HUNGRY IN OUR AREA.

A special thank you to Brian Lew of Sandwich Express for his donation of brown paper bags and napkins and

Jimmy of Northeastt Banana Corp. for donating bananas

for our monthly sandwich making event that supports Long Island Connections!







Plainview Jewish Center 95 Floral Drive West, Plainview, NY 5:30-6:30 PM

Join us for music, story time, and Shabbat blessings, followed by a dairy dinner

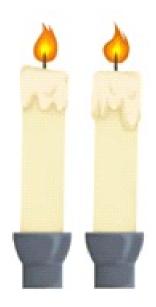
Featuring
Stacy Kelly,
Michal
Fruchter,
and Rabbi
Conn



DATES



September 12
October 10
November 7
December 5
January 23
February 27
March 27
May 15







PJC BUY A BRICK PROGRAM

Please help us in raising money to upgrade, beautify and maintain our building and grounds. Our Walkway of Memories provides a permanent way to honor or memorialize a family member or friend, a business or special occasion.

For further information please call: Larry Speiller at (516) 938-8610.

REMEMBER TO PURCHASE CANDY BAGS FOR YOUR BAR/BAT MITZVAH THROUGH OUR YOUTH GROUP CONTACT THE TEMPLE OFFICE: 938-8610

REMEMBER THAT YOU CAN
PURCHASE YARMULKES
FOR YOUR BAR/BAT MITZVAH OR WEDDING
THROUGH OUR SISTERHOOD

CONTACT: MARGIE: 516-935-7831 or

MICHELE: 516-822-0704

Musical Tot Shabbat

Ages 0 – 8 (Older siblings welcome)

Friday November 7th at 5:30pm



Led by Stacy Kelly, Michal Fruchter and Rabbi Conn

Join us for this exciting program with music, games, songs, stories, prayers and more!

PLAINVIEW JEWISH CENTER

Sisterhood

The Judaica shop is open for business but only by appointment.







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Please call for appointment or more information.

Michele Haimes 516-659-6428

or email at cheli502@aol.com.

Plainview Jewish Center Special Gifts

Please consider becoming a permanent gift donor to the Plainview Jewish Center. The following is a list of suggested Special Gift items that can be dedicated to celebrate joyous events such as engagements, weddings, births, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, birthdays, and anniversaries. Dedications can be made in the memory of loved ones or to acknowledge a special friend. Brass inscriptions will be provided.

Synagogue

Bimah Torah

New Torah

Torah Crown

Torah Rimonim Torah Breastplate

Megilah

Pulpit Chairs Kiddush Cup

Havdalah Service Items

Pew Seats

Torah Reader's Yad

Bimah Wall Candelabra

Flags on Bimah Memorial Boards Challah Cover

Mezuzahs

Lobby/Main Corridor

Presidents Plaque

Tree of Life Leaf (leaves)
Trophy Display Case

Tallit and Prayer Book Cabinet

Bulletin Board Art Work

Religious School

Classroom

Wall Artifacts

Library

New Computer

Smart Board

Display Case

For further information, please contact: Steve Glasser at:

516-660-0161 or

stevetg@aol.com

REFUAH SHELAYMAH

Our Plainview Jewish Center Family wishes a refuah shelaymah to:

Michele Brickman Doris Cooper Marion Weisfelner Bunny Finkelstein Marian Hershkowitz, Joseph Slater Andy & Stacy Meyerson

To our PJC members: if you would like to have a family member included in this section, please notify the temple office at: 516 938-8610 x101

Shiva Set Up

A very special service that Sisterhood extends to our congregation is a shiva set-up for those who have, unfortunately, had a loss.

If you need this service, call the temple office to request the set-up. Dorit will contact us and we will discuss the different options with you.

A donation to Sisterhood to defray the cost of the set-up would be greatly appreciated.

If anyone is interested in helping with the shiva set-ups, please call the office and leave your name and number.

Thank you, Bunny Finkelstein

SISTERHOOD NEWS

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Barbara Berse

The "Holy" day season is over. There are no Jewish holidays until Chanukah. All we really have is Thanksgiving. What are you thankful for? I am thankful for friends and family. I am thankful for the release of the hostages from Gaza. And, I am thankful for everyone who participated in our various fundraisers and



tournaments during this past year, including all the PJC members who purchased Shalach Manot for Purim, which is our biggest fundraiser of the year. Look for your order forms which are coming soon.

Please continue to participate in our fundraisers. These allow Sisterhood to make donations to many charities as well as PJC. We have many more meetings, activities, fundraisers and mahjongg and canasta tournaments planned and several Sunday morning meetings. Please come and make new friends while spending time with old ones.

I hope to see everyone at our Paid-Up Membership brunch on Sunday, November 16th, which is once again being held jointly with Men's Club.

<u>MEMBERSHIP</u> Rhonnie Diener - Membership Vice President

Time is flying by fast. The High Holidays and fall festivals have passed and we are in November getting ready for fall and the winter. During this time, Sisterhood has been busy planning programs and activities. It was a pleasure to see so many people come and enjoy our program "Cookie in the Sukkie" (which unfortunately had to be held inside). Everyone had a great time socializing with new and old friends.

Our next function will be our Sisterhood/Men's Club Paid Up Membership Brunch for all our paid-up members on Sunday November 16 at 10 AM. Our theme for this year is Brunch by the Seashore, so come to enjoy the last opportunity to enjoy a summer theme before the cold winter sets in. All paid up members are invited to come and enjoy. There is still time to join us. All members who join before November 16 will be entered into a raffle drawing. You have to be in it to win it.

We have monthly educational and enjoyable programs and we also support a number of charities. Hope to see you at the brunch. There is still time to get you dues in to us and be entered into our raffle and enjoy our delicious brunch.

EDUCATION Michele Brickman - Education Vice President

Man plans and God laughs!! At least, this is what seemed to happen to us and our planned field trip to the Holocaust Memorial Center in Glen Cove. Our docent, who planned to give a detailed tour of the museum and present background information, was reserved and ready to accommodate all 20 of us. However, a big storm arrived, closing the museum and cancelling our trip.

I have had such a positive and enthusiastic response from our Sisterhood ladies and their partners. To that end, I have rescheduled the trip to Sunday, November 30th at 1:00PM. We will be greeted at the Holocaust Memorial Center, 100 Crescent Beach Road, Glen Cove. If you have not received a call from me personally and want to reserve a place on this trip, please call me (516-729-2280) or email me (mk17ny@gmail.com) for further information.

Thank you for your consideration. Shalom, Michele

PROGRAM Rose Weiner - Program Vice President

There is no Sisterhood General Meeting in November as we have our Paid-Up Membership Brunch. It will be held at 10AM on November 16th and we will share the event with Men's Club.

Our next Gereral Meeting will be held on December 2nd. It will start at 7:45PM with "Snack and Shmooze" and continue with a Game Night. This event will feature games and prizes. We will also be celebrating Chanukah and will light the candles and have holiday treats!!

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At our general meetings each month we have what we call "Simcha Cake ". Women contribute \$1.00 for each happy occasion that occurs that month. It could be a birthday, anniversary, birth, graduation, engagement, etc. It is announced out loud to all who are at the meeting. Going forward we will be donating the money collected each month to the Torah Fund which goes to support the Jewish Theological Seminary. This is an easy and fun way to share your simchas and do something good at the same time. Judaism must continue to thrive.

Sisterhood's Chanukah Boutique is coming back!!

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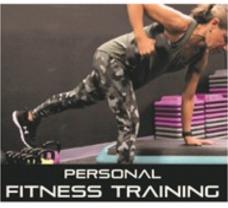


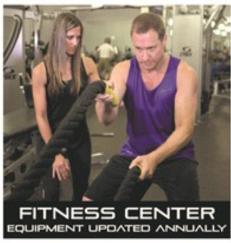
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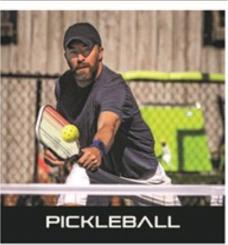
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MEN'S CLUB by Seth Pollack

Men's Club Message - November 2025

As we turn the page from the High Holidays and settle into the rhythm of fall, the Men's Club would like to express our sincere thanks to everyone who helped erect and decorate the Karo Sukkah this year. A big shout out to Stu Haimes, Al Karo, Jeff Reis, Andy Bader, Bruce Elowsky, Rob Cohen, Steve Adelman, Steve Smith,



Bob Pinkus and Jason Hymowitz. Their time, energy and teamwork made it possible for our congregation to celebrate Sukkot together in true Plainview Jewish Center spirit.

I would also like to give a huge shoutout to everyone who attended our annual Steak and Single Malt Scotch in the Sukkah event on October 9th. While I was unable to attend personally, our board members shared with me how much fun everyone had. This year's turnout was fantastic, and from all reports, it was a wonderful evening of great food, camaraderie, and celebration. Special thanks to Brian Bank for spearheading the event and Bruce Elowsky for helping sell the raffle tickets. Finally, a shout out to Al Karo and Jeff Kammerman for manning the grill — I heard those steaks were delicious!

On October 21st, the Men's Club sponsored our 34th Annual Meet the Candidates night. We had a great turnout with many representatives running for office across different positions from Nassau County in attendance. Thank you, Fred Skolnik, for organizing the event.

With the high holidays now behind us, we're looking forward to an exciting November filled with community activities, including:

- 7th Annual Walk for a Cause (11/9) Lace up your sneakers and join us for this
 meaningful event supporting the PJC Sandwich-making program for Long Island
 Connections, a neighborhood outreach network to assist local families in need.
- Men's Club & Sisterhood Joint Paid-Up Membership Brunch (11/16) A morning of good food, great company, and celebrating the members who make our community so special. Please RSVP by November 10th to Larry Danziger at lardanz@verizon.net.

Looking ahead, we're also thrilled to announce that planning and auditions have begun for our **Spring musical production of** *The Wizard of Oz*! Whether you love

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to sing, act, or work behind the scenes, there will be plenty of ways to get involved. Once again, Stu Haimes, Rob Cohen and Steve Adelman will be our co-producers. Stay tuned for more details on volunteer opportunities.

As always, thank you for your continued support and participation. The Men's Club thrives because of you — your enthusiasm, spirit, and commitment to keeping our community strong and connected.

Wishing everyone a wonderful month ahead,

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President, Men's Club, Plainview Jewish Center

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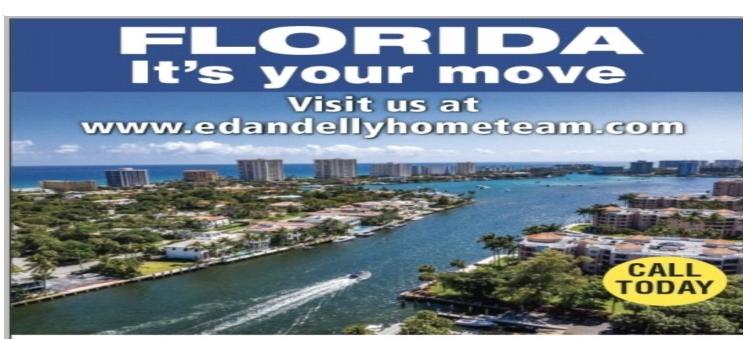
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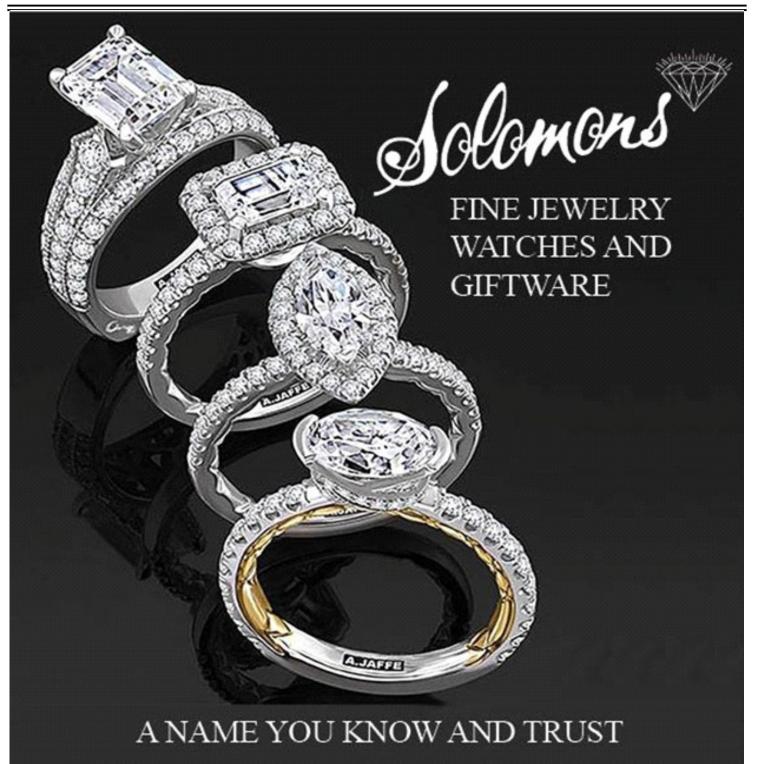
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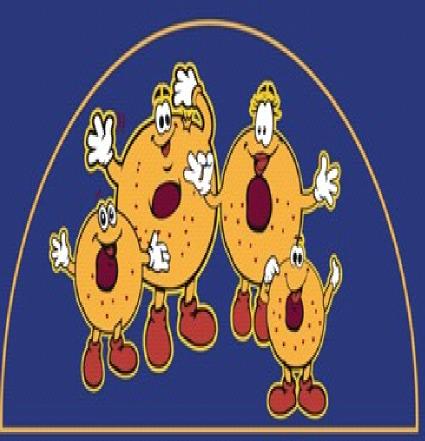
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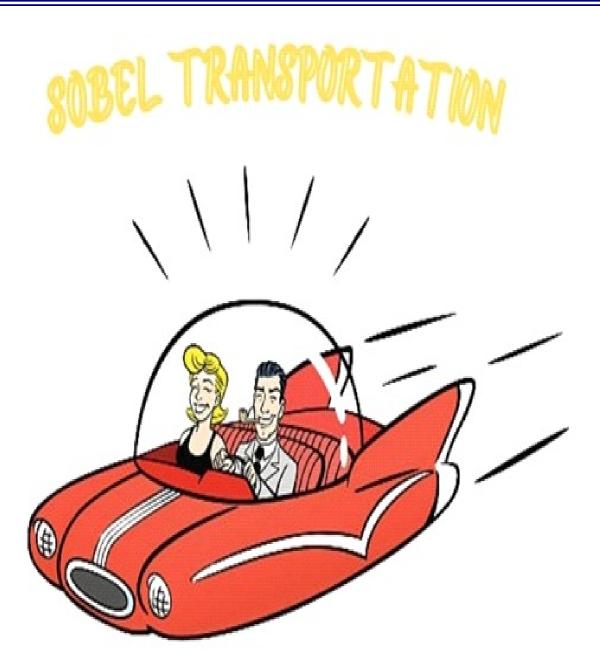
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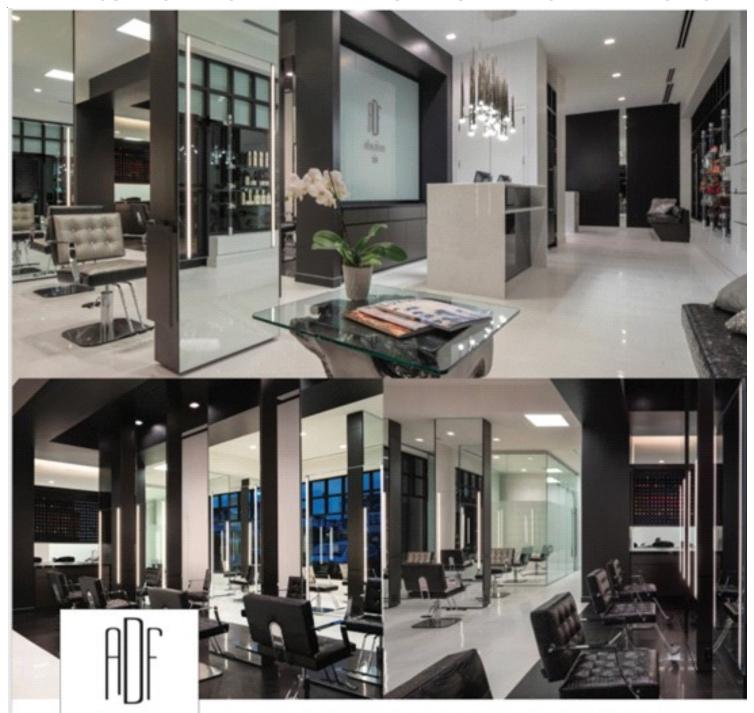
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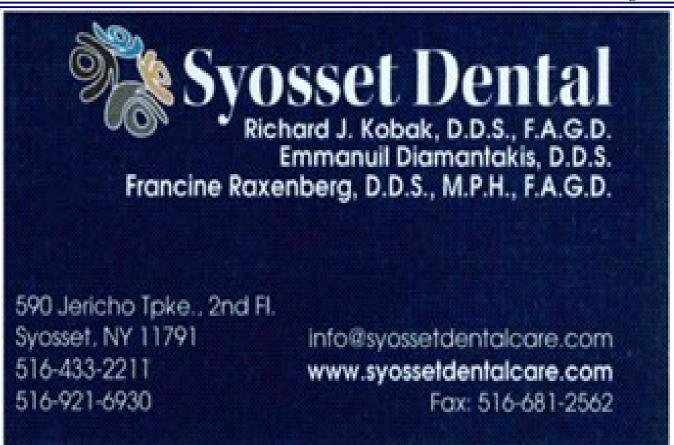
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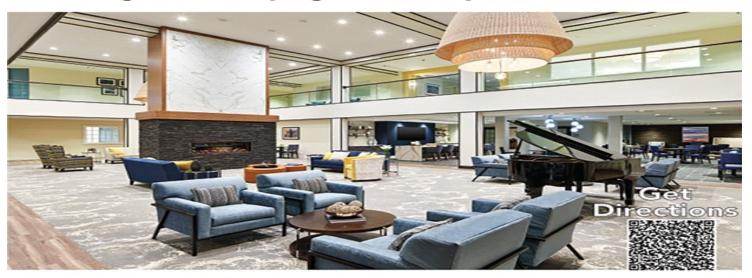
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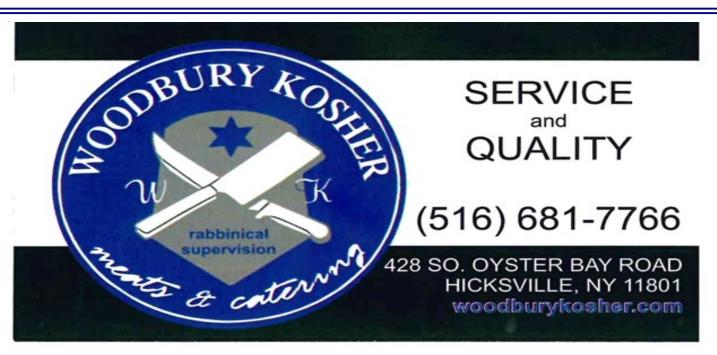


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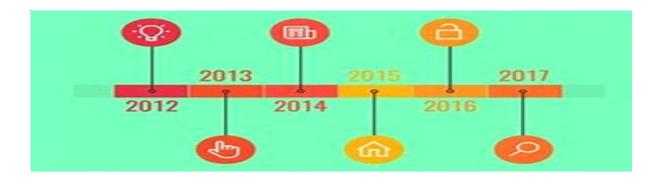
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ATTENTION ALL CONGREGANTS:

OUR WEEKDAY EVENING MINYANS ARE IN NEED OF A FEW GOOD PEOPLE!

WEEKDAY MINYAN IS AT 8PM AND LASTS 15 MINUTES.
ANY DAY YOU CAN COME DOWN
WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.
THANK YOU

PJC BUY A BRICK PROGRAM

Please help us in raising money to upgrade, beautify and maintain our building and grounds. Our Walkway of Memories provides a permanent way to honor or memorialize a family member or friend, a business or special occasion.

For further information or additional order forms, please call: Larry Speiller at (516) 938-8610.

PLAINVIEW JEWISH CENTER CEMETERY GROUND

Cost: Single Graves available at \$1800 each grave.

Terms: Payable in full within 6 months of purchase.

Eligibility: Available to PJC Members in good standing ONLY.