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The Voice of Men's Club



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Feb.

Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs' Worldwide Wrap

9:00 am in the Main Sanctuary

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Message from the President



I guess there is no turning back now. We are knee deep into 2021 and it seems a lot like the “same old, same old” from last year. I really hope, as do most of us, that we are on the upswing to better days ahead.

The Men’s Club ended 2020 on a high note to carry us into 2021. For those of you who may not know, we had a tremendous year-end Board Meeting in December. Each January the Men’s Club sends a monetary donation to the Hatzilu Organization to help those who desperately need assistance.

Come high water our unwritten goal is for this donation to be in the sum of \$1,800 for obvious reasons. For those who don’t know where this money comes from, it comes from the donations we receive from T&T breakfasts (which has not taken place in quite some time), Mishaberachs and when we “pass the plate” at our dinners. Speaking with Steven Glasser our Hatzilu chairman prior to our December meeting, we found ourselves with only \$1,400 for this year’s donation. After some back and forth conversations we decided at our next board meeting we will pass the “virtual plate” (which is not something we commonly do at a Board Meeting) and whatever the difference is, somehow Men’s Club will cover it. By the conclusion of our meeting we collected \$1,000 from our board members bringing the total donation to Hatzilu (the check has been written and mailed out as of this writing) to \$2,400, a record amount. That was just a tremendous evening, with tremendous gentlemen who care about our fellow man (women, family and community). I want to again thank each of you who donated not with just words but with your wallets.

As wonderful as the December meeting was, we were involved with several other donations last year which by and large went under the radar due to just about everything being virtual these days. The Men’s Club Coat Drive (which ended in December), spearheaded by Mike Levy, was another record success. Our synagogue collectively donated 15 bags and 3 racks of used and new coats. Yes, I said new coats. Some of us bought new coats just to donate to the Coat Drive. How incredibly thoughtful was that? Normally we donate the coats to the JCC, but this year they could not accommodate us, so the donation of coats went to Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Long Island who were all too happy to get the coats into the hands of those who needed them the most. Thank you everyone who donated to our Coat Drive and a thank you to Miss Sue’s Nursery School who made donations to our Coat Drive as well.

You want to talk about a Toy Drive? Well, we had a record breaking Toy Drive this year thanks to Jeff Reis, who single handedly delivered boxes upon boxes of donated toys to the Sagamore Children’s Psychiatric Center in Dix Hills. Normally we put collect boxes out at our Chanukah Party, but this year as you know our Chanukah Party was virtual. In a grassroots type of way our fellow synagogue members dropped off toys at our synagogue. We even had toys dropped off way after the party deadline, but rest assured they were included in our delivery as well. Since we had an abundance of toys this year (doubles, triples and in some cases quadruples of the same toy) for our yearly raffle we decided not to save any toys for future raffles but to donate all of them (about a third of the intended raffle toys) to this year’s Toy Drive as well. Thank you to everyone who so graciously donated to our Toy Drive.

For all the outreach we do for our community, helping under our roof is just as, if not as important. At the synagogue Congregation Meeting Sunday, January 24, Men's Club will be (if it has not happened already) making our yearly contribution to the Plainview Jewish Center. Though this year's contribution has been reduced in the synagogue's budget, we are not looking at it that way. This first contribution will meet our minimum commitment and we look forward to second and possibly even a third contribution to our synagogue within this calendar year. Hopefully our additional contributions will put us up to par with prior years. We understand now more than ever, every bit helps the big picture of our synagogue.

Moving forward into February we will be making two additional contributions, one to all Hebrew School students and one to all Vav students. Both of these contributions will be of no cost to anyone but the Men's Club, but more importantly both are no-brainers (in my mind at least) which we should have been doing all along.

First, each Hebrew School student will receive a Purim Gift Bag from the Men's Club, similar to the Chanukah Gift Bag we gave to each student in December. Not knowing where we will be and how the synagogue will handle Purim this year, but knowing for sure that our annual Purim Ice Cream Social will not be taking place, we feel that keeping the spirit of Purim intact is the least we can do for our students. Gift Bags will be distributed either at Sunday School and/or delivered to each student's home. More info to follow.

Additionally, all Vav students will shortly (if they have not already) be receiving a "Build a Pair" kit. With instruction from Rabbi Conn, each student will build/construct their own custom-made Tefillin. They will learn the importance and usage of Tefillin culminating with joining the Men's Club Sunday, February 7th for the FJMC World Wide Wrap. Again, something we should be supporting each year.

Along with all of the records we broken so far this year, I think I broke my record for longest Hakol article. I will finish up by wishing everyone who has boxes in our Super Bowl grid this year good luck. Please join us for the Men's Club/Sisterhood Shabbat and our World Wide Wrap. See you all soon.

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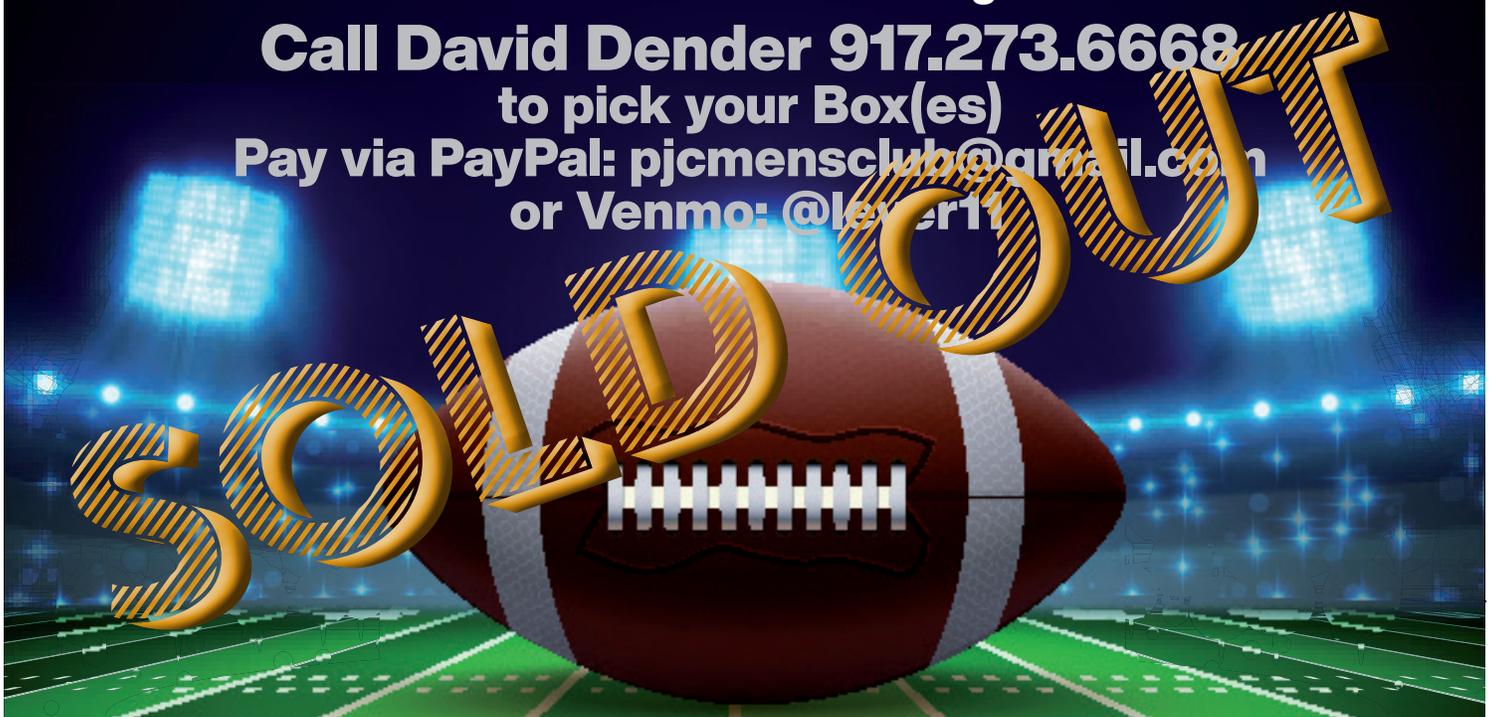
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Can Jewish Names Be Changed?

Those unhappy with the name given to them at birth are in luck. “Get a Different Name Day,” is annually observed on February 13th. This allows Jewish Treats the opportunity to recall the importance of one’s name and how and when it can be changed, as described below.

It is not a coincidence that cultures around the world share a belief in the power of given names. In Judaism, it is believed that parents are granted a flash of ruach hakodesh, Divine spirit, when choosing a name for their child.

If names are so important, why do some people change theirs? The most common reason that people change their names is to add blessing, most often in times of challenge. When someone faces a life-threatening illness, they may be advised to add an additional name. Traditionally, the new name reflects blessing for healing, such as the masculine Refael (God has healed) or Chaim (life) or the feminine Chaya (Giver of life). This change is usually done with the guidance of, and in consultation with, a rabbi.

The concept of changing a name in order to alter one’s fate is noted in the Talmud, where it says: “Rav Isaac said, ‘Four things tear up the [evil] decree against a person, and these are them: charity, crying out (prayers), changing one’s name, and changing one’s deeds, and some say even changing one’s place of residence’” (Talmud Rosh Hashana 16b).

The act of changing names is even recorded in the Torah. God changed Abram’s name to Abraham and Sarai’s name to Sarah. It was only once their names were changed were they able to conceive the son for whom they had waited so long (Genesis 17).

BUILD A PAIR

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is proud to announce that we will be providing all Zayin students with a "Build a Pair" kit.

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Mr. Alan Levine
President of the Hatzilu Rescue Organization
C/O Mid Island Y J.C.C.
45 Manetto Hill Road
Plainview, N.Y. 11803

January 1, 2021

Dear Alan

On behalf of our President, Steve Adelman and the entire Board of Directors of the Plainview Jewish Center Men's Club, we are proud to enclose our donation check to the Hatzilu Rescue Organization. Hatzilu has, for many years, been the adoptive charity of our club. The Men's Club solicits donations to Hatzilu from our general membership through the issuance of Hatzilu certificates.

Additionally, we are proud to announce that this year we held our eleventh annual food drive during the High Holidays. This effort was spearheaded by one of our dedicated Men's Club families. Their dedication to the project, and the generosity of our congregation enabled PJC to donate over 100 large shopping bags filled to overflowing with grocery items. The enormous success of this program re-stocked the Hatzilu Food Bank at your South Baldwin location.

Our Men's Club also reached out to our Temple members this year for toy donations during Chanukah. Donated new toys were presented to the Sagamore Children's Psychiatric Hospital for distribution to children battling serious issues.

This year the Club has been able to raise \$2400 for Hatzilu. I am proud to relate that even though our usual programs to raise money for Hatzilu were grossly impacted by the Covid pandemic, our President reached out to our Men's Club Board of Directors for added donations. These individuals donated additional funds to enable our donation to be one of our largest ever.

Wishing you and all members of the Hatzilu committee a happy and HEALTHY safe New Year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Glasser", written in a cursive style.

Steve Glasser
Member, PJC Men's Club Board of Directors



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December 2020

Plainview Jewish Center Men's Club
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Dear Plainview Jewish Center Men's Club,

On behalf of the Hatzilu Rescue Organization, I want to thank you for your wonderful support. Your donation of \$2400 is greatly appreciated and goes directly to helping us fulfill our mission of supporting needy families within Nassau County. We have a terrific team of volunteers who serve, and are confident you would be proud of the work we do.

Our commitment to assisting Jewish people in need has never been stronger, unfortunately the need has never been greater. Hatzilu continues to devote all its energy to helping Jewish people in need. Elderly Jews and Holocaust survivors make up 40% of our client base. Many of these elderly clients live solely on Social Security benefits, which do not cover all of their financial or nutritional needs. The other 60% is made up of primarily single parent individuals and families. In many cases there is a financial hardship and they need assistance until they can back up on their feet. Other clients have long-term needs due to health or mental health issues. Regardless the reason, Hatzilu Rescue is there to bring support and comfort.

We are grateful for the community's generosity, trust, and most importantly its commitment to our mission. Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Alan

Alan Levine
President

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Shanee Kirschenbaum, LCSW
Executive Director

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January 19, 2021

Mr. Jeff Reis
Board Member, Compassionate Friends
The Plainview Jewish Center
110 Hillwood Lane
Plainview, NY 11803

Dear Mr. Reis,

Please extend to your members Sagamore's heartfelt gratitude for your generous contributions over the Holidays. The toys and games are always a hit, as well as all the clothing items and personal hygiene supplies.

Your many contributions ensured that the holiday season would be enjoyable for all the kids.

Sincerely,

Brad Richman, LCSW
Executive Director
Sagamore Children's Center

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Purim begins on Thursday Evening,
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The Book of Esther tells us that the Jews of Shushan celebrated their deliverance from Haman by sending gifts of food, fruit and drink to one another. The mitzvah of sending greetings and giving Shalach Manot to our friends and relatives is a wonderful Jewish tradition to celebrate the Purim holiday.

We are living in a very different time now. We must be safe to remain healthy. Sadly, we have to suspend our Shalach Manot basket project so everyone who shops, packs and receives our gifts is protected."

In lieu of sending Purim baskets this year, the entire congregation has an opportunity to share in the observance of this mitzvah by sending Purim greetings to friends and family near and far.

Let Sisterhood send "Happy Purim"
cards on your behalf.

The cost is only \$3 per card or 10 cards for \$25.

In keeping with the tradition of giving tzedakah on Purim, you will enable Sisterhood to give Plainview Jewish Center a generous, much needed donation, a percentage of which will go to the Mid-Island JCC Food Bank to feed the needy in our community.

Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity.

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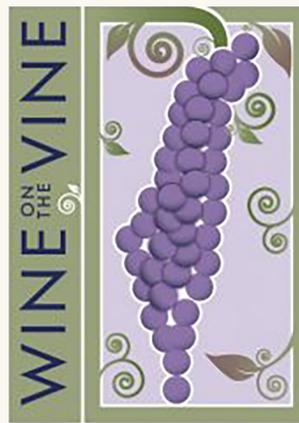
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The Royal Family and the Jews

On February 6, 1952, Queen Elizabeth II assumed the throne of “the United Kingdom and her other realms and Territories” upon the death of her father, King George VI. While the Queen is much beloved by all of her subjects, Jewish Treats presents some data specifically connecting England’s long-serving monarch with the Jews and the Jewish state.

In an article by journalist Anshel Pfeffer, he quotes writer Simon Sebag Montefiore, scion of Sir Moses Montefiore, stating that, “historically the British royal family has had a very friendly relationship with the Jewish community . . . This tradition endures ever since the 19th century, and right up to Britain today. Members of the royal family routinely attend many, many Jewish events and support Jewish causes and charities. Something regarded as totally normal here. And rightly so.” Prince Charles even has his own blue velvet yarmulke with a silver royal crest on it, that he wears when he attends Jewish ritual events.

On the 60th anniversary of the Allied liberation of Auschwitz, Queen Elizabeth met with Holocaust survivors at St. James’ Palace in London. While Queen Elizabeth II is very punctual and rarely diverts from her precise schedule, Lord Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, Chief Rabbi of the U.K. noted, at that time, that the queen stood with each survivor “until they had finished telling their personal story. It was an act of kindness that almost had me in tears.” One survivor quipped, “I did not know whether I would be alive tomorrow, and here I am today talking to the Queen.”

Prince Charles, Queen Elizabeth’s oldest son, and heir to the throne, despite not being Jewish, was circumcised by Rabbi Dr. Jacob Snowman, the leading mohel in London. Male babies, born to the House of Windsor, have been circumcised by a mohel dating back to George I (1660-1727), who brought this tradition from his native Hanover, Germany.

The Queen has a pro-Jewish family history to rely on. Queen Victoria (1819-1901) was known to be partial to many Jews and Victoria’s son Edward VII (1841-1910) was also known to have a very warm relationship with Jews. Queen Elizabeth’s mother-in-law, Princess Alice of Battenberg is buried on the Mountain of Olives, in Jerusalem, and sheltered Jews in her home in Greece during the Holocaust. She was recognized by Yad Vashem as a “Righteous Among the Nations.”

While Queen Elizabeth II has never made an official visit to the State of Israel (remember that prior to Israeli statehood, mandatory Palestine was under the British Crown), Prince William made an official visit in June of 2018, and Prince Charles, attended in an official state capacity, the World Holocaust Forum in Jerusalem in January 2020. Prince Charles attended the funerals of Yitzchak Rabin and Shimon Peres as private visits.



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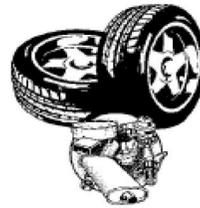
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Men's Club Dates to Watch For

FEBRUARY

Sat./Sun.
6/7
9:00 am



Men's Club/Sisterhood Shabbat (Sat.)
FJMC World Wide Wrap (Sun)

Tuesday
9
8:30 pm



Hearing Men's Voices

Tuesday
16
8:30 pm



Texas Hold 'Em

Tuesday
23
8:30 pm



Board Meeting

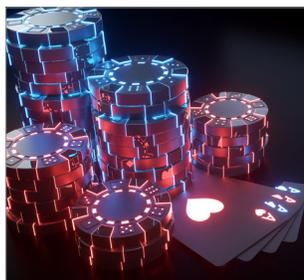
MARCH

Saturday
13
7:30 pm



Patio Players

Tuesday
16
8:30 pm



Texas Hold 'Em

Tuesday
23
8:30 pm



Board Meeting

APRIL

Tuesday
20
8:30 pm



Texas Hold 'Em

Tuesday
27
8:30 pm



Board Meeting

Sudoku Puzzle

Why Play Sudoku

Preliminary evidence suggest that staying mentally active may be associated with preservation of cognitive function. Science tells us that children and young adults may build up brain "reserves" by reading and undertaking mental challenges, and older adults can continue to build these brain connections through stimulating activities. In fact, building these cognitive reserves is a lifelong process in which some nerve cells (neurons) form, some die, and others interconnect. For more information, please visit brightfocus.org/ADR

	9				4	7		
		6		7				5
	4		9		5			
6	8			4		5		
					1		9	6
2		9	7			8		
3					4	6		
	1		6		2			
		2		5			8	4

Last Month's Answers

4	2	9	5	8	1	3	7	6
8	5	3	6	2	7	9	1	4
1	7	6	3	4	9	5	8	2
7	6	2	8	3	4	1	9	5
5	1	8	9	7	2	4	6	3
3	9	4	1	6	5	7	2	8
2	8	7	4	9	3	6	5	1
9	4	1	2	5	6	8	3	7
6	3	5	7	1	8	2	4	9

Here's How It Works

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a Sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

For tips on how to solve Sudoku puzzles go to: <https://www.howcast.com/videos/202656-how-to-solve-a-sudoku-game>