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## Federation announces new executive director

By Reporter staff

The Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton announced that Shelley Hubal will be the next Federation executive director. She will be replacing Sima Auerbach, who has been the Federation executive director since 2008.

Hubal has been on the Federation board for several years. She has experience in the nonprofit sector, including more than 10 years working for the Family Resource Network in Oneonta. She is also currently the chairwoman of the

Family Support Service Council of the New York State Office for People with Developmental Disabilities.

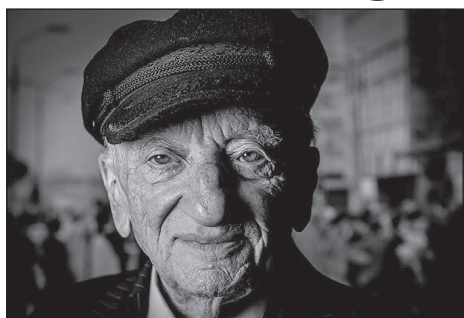
Auerbach said, "Shelley has been a member of the board for the past few years and has extensive work experience in the

non-profit world. I overwhelmingly believe that Shelley is a wonderful choice and the right choice." (For more on Auerbach's thoughts about her years as Federation executive director, see her "Hello, it's Sima" column on page 2.)

## Jewish International Film Fest of Greater Binghamton starts May 12

By Reporter staff

The Jewish International Film Fest of Greater Binghamton will feature six films on five nights. The films will be shown at the Jewish Community Center, 500 Clubhouse Rd., Vestal. Each screening will be followed by a discussion of the picture led by a



Ben Ferencz shown during the making of the documentary "Prosecuting Evil."

community member. The event is open to the entire community. Tickets cost \$10 per film or \$45 for a subscription. To purchase tickets in advance or for more information, call 724-2332. The event is sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton and donors are soon to be announced.

"Join us for a wonderful group of films," said Sima Auerbach, executive director of the Federation. "The Film Fest Committee thought long and hard about which films to show this year to ensure you will have five fantastic nights at the movies."

"A Night at the Garden" and "Prosecuting Evil" on Sunday, May 12, at 7 pm

"A Night in the Garden" is a seven minute, silent short about an event that took place in 1939. On February 20 of that year, 20,000 Americans rallied in New York's Madison Square Garden to celebrate the rise of Nazism—an event largely forgotten from American history. The short film is made entirely from archival footage filmed that night. Its purpose is to trans-

port audiences to the gathering and shines a light on the power of demagoguery and antisemitism in the United States.

"Prosecuting Evil" is a documentary that tells the true story of Ben Ferencz, the last surviving Nuremberg prosecutor. In occupied Germany in 1945, the 25-year-old

Jewish lawyer from New York was transferred from the battlefield to the horrors of the newly liberated concentration camps to collect evidence for what would become the Nuremberg trials of Nazi murderers. Two years later, Ferencz prosecuted 22 members of the Einsatzgruppen, mobile death squads that killed more than a million Jews. All were convicted. The film includes archival

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## Federation annual meeting to be held on May 19

The Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton will hold a very short annual meeting on Sunday, May 19, at 7 pm, before the showing of the film "My Polish Honeymoon." During the meeting, officers will be elected to the Federation's Board of Directors. The new executive director, Shelley Hubal, will be introduced to the community.

The new slate of Federation board members for 2019-22 includes President Suzanne Holwitt, Immediate Past President Howard Warner, Vice-President Mark Walker, Treasurer Jeff Shapiro, Assistant Treasurer Lee Schechter, Secretary Eileen Miller, Assistant Secretary Charles Manasse, Campaign Co-Chairwomen Rita Shawn and Marilyn Bell, Endowment Committee Chairman Michael Wright and CRC Chairman Arieh A. Ullmann. Board members to 2020 are Lisa Blackwell, Rita Bleier, Steve Gilbert, Jeff Platsky and Susan Walker. Board members to 2021 are Nancy Dorfman, Mark Epstein, Dennis Foreman, Lillian Levy and Cathy Velenchik. Board members to 2022 are Neil Auerbach, Brendan Byrnes, Sondra Foreman, Charles Gilinsky and Richard Lewis.

"Come greet our new executive director, see a good movie and eat popcorn!" said Sima Auerbach, executive director of the Federation.

## Last-minute registration still being accepted for JLI course "With All My Heart"

Beginning on Monday, May 13, at 7 pm, and Wednesday, May 15, at 9:30 am, participants in the six-week JLI course "With All My Heart" will study the history and philosophy of Jewish worship, seeking to discover the "deep, elegant structure" embedded within the Jewish

prayer book and within Judaism's ancient synagogue traditions.

Like all JLI programs, this course is designed to appeal to people at all levels of knowledge, including those without any prior experience or background in Jewish learning. All JLI courses are open to the

public, and attendees need not be affiliated with a particular synagogue, temple, or other house of worship.

The course fee is \$79, which includes the text book. To register call 797-0015, write rslonim@Jewishbu.com or visit www.myJLI.com.

## CJS spring 2019 program

### Early-modern Italian Jewish ghetto on May 9

The second lecture in the College of Jewish Studies Spring program, "Rethinking 'the Ghetto' in Jewish History and Beyond," will be on Thursday, May 9, when Federica Francesconi, assistant professor of history and director of the Judaic studies program at the University at Albany, State University of New York, will speak on "From Venice to Rome: Jewish Girls and Women in the Early-Modern Italian Ghettos."

Her talk will explore how, even though the Italian Jewish ghettos were conceived as enclosures to isolate Jews and keep them out of view, the ghettos



Federica Francesconi

nonetheless became socially, culturally, religiously and ethnically fluid enclaves that challenged the early modern world. Specifically, she will explore how from the 16<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup> century, Jewish girls and women in the ghettos of Rome and Venice negotiated new means of participation into society, created unexpected forms of intellectual production and discovered new ways of religious and spiritual expression despite the harsh conditions they had to deal with because of segregation.

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### "Painting a Ghetto Paradise" on May 16

The third and final lecture in the College of Jewish Studies spring program, "Rethinking 'the Ghetto' in Jewish History and Beyond," will be held on Thursday, May 16, when Gina Glasman, lecturer in the Department of Judaic Studies at Binghamton University, will speak on "Painting a Ghetto Paradise: The Political Artistry of Moritz Daniel Oppenheim." Glasman will talk about how for almost half a century, the art of this 19<sup>th</sup> century Jewish painter



Gina Glasman

became part and parcel of the decorative furniture in German Jewish households

— stamped onto pewter trays or placed on walls as lithographic reproductions. She will discuss how, with its carefully crafted images of Germany's medieval ghettos, Oppenheim's art begs the question why. Why was this imagined ghetto landscape the object of so much love and affection? Wasn't the ghetto the place that German Jews "loved to hate"? Glasman will provide a close examination of Oppenheim's art through the lens of his political advocacy to help deliver an answer to some of these questions.

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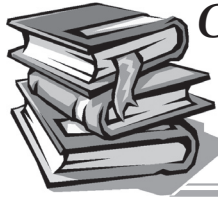
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Off the Shelf

# Historical oddities

RABBI RACHEL ESSERMAN

The historical records are filled with tales of eccentrics, crackpots and misfits. Their stories rarely make it into grade-school history books, even though they could teach us something about the boundaries of societal behavior. Two recent works look at these historical oddities: "Mavericks, Mystics and Messiahs: Episodes from the Margins of Jewish History" by Puni Dunner (The Toby Press) explores the lives of several religious eccentrics, while "The Strange Case of Dr. Couney: How a Mysterious European Showman Saved Thousands of American Babies" by Dawn Raffel (Blue Rider Press) tells the story of one unusual individual.

Dunner, who is the senior rabbi at Beverly Hills Synagogue, is interested in a specific type of historical character: "It's the marginal characters that have always fascinated me. I believe their influence on events as they unfolded, during the period in which they lived and on the future, was far stronger than may seem years later." The author sees these individuals' lives as having a ripple effect on history, particularly in relationship to Jewish law and community standards.

Perhaps the best known person under discussion is the

false messiah Shabbetai Tzvi, who lived in the 1600s. Dunner explains how the expulsion from Spain, the mystical traditions of kabbalah and a European, Jewish community ready for salvation made it possible for so many people to accept Tzvi as the messiah. Jews from across Europe sold their belongings and made ready to set sail to Palestine in anticipation of messianic times. Even after Tzvi converted to Islam, some of his followers still believed that he was the messiah and that his conversion was a necessary step on the road to redemption. Rabbinic authorities tried to stamp out all traces of his movement and ideas, although it actually took a century or more for this to be accomplished.

Tzvi plays a minor role in one of my two favorite sections. The first is "The Emden-Eybeschutz *Mahloket*: Amulets, Accusations and Controversy – Hamburg 1751." A *mahloket* is a legal argument, usually between scholars and/or rabbis – in this case, between Rabbi Yaakov Emden and Rabbi Yonaton Eybeschutz. During the 18<sup>th</sup> century, rabbinic authorities still worried that people were following the religious ideas that Tzvi had espoused (which came to be known as Sabbatianism). To give the full flavor of what

took place, Dunner discusses two generations of Jewish history. However, the spark for this specific argument was whether an amulet written by Rabbi Eybeschutz contained Sabbatianism heresies. Rabbi Emden originally did not want to judge the matter due to political and communal considerations, but, after being requested to make a decision by members of his community, would not back down from his decision that the amulet did contain Sabbatianism heresies. The fight between the two rabbis may surprise readers by its virulence – particularly that of the supporters of each man. Their actions included physical violence and threats to people's lives and livelihood.

Another fun chapter discusses a different rabbinic disagreement, which Dunner calls "The Infamous Case of the *Get* of Cleves." A *get* is a document of divorce and, in this particular case in 1766 in Germany, the question arose about whether or not a man giving the *get* was in his right mind. (In traditional Judaism, only the husband can initiate a divorce.) The marriage had been a short, but strange, one and the bride's family was happy to be **See "Oddities" on page 6**

## Opinion

From the Desk of the Federation Executive Director

### Hello, it's Sima

SIMA AUERBACH

It is with joy in my heart that I announce that the Board of Directors of the Jewish Federation unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the search committee to hire Shelley Hubal as the incoming executive director. Shelley has been a member of the board for the past few years and has extensive work experience in the non-profit world. I overwhelmingly believe that Shelley is a wonderful choice and the right choice. We will work together for the next few months.

I look back over the last 12 years and smile. They have been fulfilling and wonderful years. Together, you and I gave the Federation a presence in our community. At my very first Campaign we raised nearly \$250,000 from more than 600 donors. The 2018 Campaign raised \$287,000

from 352 donors. You did that! More funding from fewer donors, but donors committed to our unique community.

In 2007, Mark Walker was president of the Federation. He asked me three times to take the job. My childhood friend Toni Grekin had enthusiastically (and if you know Toni you can just imagine what she said) told Mark I was moving here. I turned him down twice. I went to the annual dinner that fall, met some people and didn't say no to the third ask.

I have loved this job. I have been fortunate to work with wonderful partners. Steve Grossman was my first president and he encouraged me to find my own path. Arieh Ullmann was next. We worked together for seven amazingly productive years. Howard Warner followed.

Regardless of his busy schedule, Howard always made sure to be at our Monday meetings on time with ideas for making the Federation work better. Currently, the president is Suzanne Holwitt, a smart, creative leader who will work with Shelley until 2021. They will make a good team.

Thank you for all these years as the executive director. I have been touched by the people who have walked into the office or stopped me in the supermarket to express their thoughts and wish me well.

Moving to Binghamton has been an amazing run for Neil and I. We thank all of you for opening your hearts and hands to us. Please give Shelley the same support that I have experienced: Volunteer, donate and stop in to talk.

In My Own Words

### Bird song

RABBI RACHEL ESSERMAN, EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Sometimes you have no idea what you are missing until someone tells you. During the mid-1990s, a friend and I were walking through an arboretum located near our rabbinical school. The friend kept stopping for what seemed to be no particular reason. Not wanting to be rude and keep yakking during these quiet moments, I finally asked why. It turns out he was listening to the birds singing – something I could not hear. His surprise was as great as mine: while I thought there wasn't any sound outside our conversation, he was stunned to realize I couldn't hear one of the joys of nature.

By that time, it had already been several decades since I'd last heard bird song. Strangely enough, I ac-

## Corrections

In the April 19 issue of *The Reporter*, the e-mail address in the Sam's Club ad on page 3 was incorrect. The correct e-mail address is pas003c.s06366@samsclub.com.

Also, in the April 26 issue, in the page 6 ad for the Jewish International film Fest, the day a film will be shown was listed incorrectly. "The City of Joel" will be shown on Thursday, May 30, at 7 pm. *The Reporter* regrets the error and any confusion it may have caused.

tually remember the very last time I heard a bird sing. During college, after yet one more try to figure out what was causing my health problems, I was sitting in a very quiet spot on campus and actually heard bird song. The moment was important because I hadn't noticed that sound in several years and was pleased that something was helping my hearing. Unfortunately, I never heard birds sing again.

Well, that is, until I had my cochlear implant. When I went for walks the first summer after the implant, I wondered what all the awful noise was. I was used to quiet walks: in fact, getting away from noise was a good reason for me to take a walk. I can't say what finally made me realize that awful squawking and squeaking was being made by birds, but I did. While I was happy to be able to hear the sound, it wasn't a pleasant one. At times I was tempted to yell, "Please shut up so I can enjoy my walk!"

That was two summers ago. Then, in April of this year, I went out on a nice day and, during my walk, I heard some birds. This time I noticed something was different: Some of the sound actually resembled music. Yes, there were still squawks and squeaks, but there was also some real melody. That realization made me stop for a minute

because for the first time in more than 40 years, I could actually hear birds singing.

While music has been much harder to hear than the spoken word, I've made some progress. There were songs that I simply could not hear as music, but have now found versions online that sound closer to what I remember. I've also been able to listen to some new music, which I found by accident when exploring songs I already know. It can take several tries for the new music to sound like a real song, but something from the chorus usually sticks in my brain and makes me want to try the song again.

If I were to give you a long list of all the difficulties and problems caused by hearing loss, I would not have said music because music is a quality of life issue, rather than a functional one. Not being able to understand speech or hear sounds coming from behind you can be very dangerous. But I always missed music because music adds something indescribable to life: there is a specific joy in song that can't be found anywhere else.

Bird song: it's such a simple thing that most people take it for granted. It's just in the background of daily life and there are far more important things on which to focus. But, when you have not heard that sound in 40 years, it feels like a miracle.



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# BD luncheon on May 11: "Speaking Ladino: From Binghamton to Bat Yam"

Beth David Synagogue's Saturday, May 11, luncheon speaker series will focus on Ladino, as Dr. Bryan Kirschen shares what transpired on February 10 when he participated in an International Day of Ladino conference that was held at the Center for Jewish History in New York City. At a talk attended by more than 300 people, Kirschen spoke about his research that focused on working with Ladino speakers.



Dr. Bryan Kirschen

"I have devoted the last decade to this project," Kirschen says, "and I was thrilled to see the turnout at my talk and at the other events that focused on this important culture and language. Ladino is spoken in many parts of the world, and I have explored the different forms it takes, and the uses to which it is put. It will be a pleasure to share my findings at the Beth David luncheon on May 11!"

Questions he will answer include: What is Ladino? Who speaks it and where? What forms does spoken Ladino take today? And, what kind of research on these topics is going on today?

Kirschen is an assistant professor of Spanish and linguistics at Binghamton University. He earned his Ph.D. from

UCLA and is the director of the International Delegation of Shadarim to Israel's National Authority of Ladino. As the director of this delegation, Kirschen works with 15 other representatives from around the globe on Ladino-related initiatives. In 2017, he was named one of *The New York Jewish Week's* "36 Under 36," under the category of Education.

"Bryan is also the co-director of 'Saved by Language,'" organizers say, "a documentary exploring Judeo-Spanish (the technical term for the language commonly referred to as Ladino) in Bosnia and how a young child used the language during the Holocaust. He is clearly doing cutting-edge research on vital aspects of Judaic culture, and we are sure his talk will be fascinating and thought-provoking!"

Beth David's luncheon speaker series takes place the second Saturday of the month after Shabbat morning services, and is open to the community. There is no charge for the luncheon, but Beth David welcomes donations to the Luncheon Fund in order to keep the program going. Donations can be made in honor or in memory of someone, or to mark a special occasion. Those wishing an acknowl-

edgment to be sent to the person being honored, or to the family of someone being remembered, can indicate that, along with the necessary information. Donations may be sent to Beth David Synagogue, 39 Riverside Dr., Binghamton, NY 13905, Attention: Luncheon Fund.

*The Jewish Community wishes to express its sympathy to the family of*  
**Johanna Gerber**

*The Jewish Community wishes to express its sympathy to Shelley Hubal on the death of her father,*  
**Stephen Meltzer**

## BD Sisterhood annual donor meeting to be held on May 7

The Beth David Sisterhood annual donor meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 7, at 7 pm. This year's event, titled "Donor Dessert," will be at the home of Marti Klionsky.

The evening's entertainment will be provided by Rabbi Benny Kellman. Since 2015, Kellman has taught Torah and other aspects of Judaism to Binghamton University

students as part of his work for MEOR Upstate. The entertainment for the evening will consist of stories, a *capella* singing and juggling.

Light refreshments will be provided. Organizers are asking for a minimum donation of \$25. Anyone who is interested in attending this event should RSVP to Marlene Serkin at 729-3235.

## "A 'Jewish' Joy of Cooking?" talk at Cornell U. on May 6

Dr. Nora Rubel, of the University of Rochester, will deliver a lecture titled "A 'Jewish' Joy of Cooking? How a Twentieth Century Cookbook Containing Frog's Legs, Snails, and Ham Became a Beloved Jewish Icon" on Monday, May 6, at 4:45 pm, at Cornell University in the Kaufman Auditorium. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Rubel is the Jane and Alan Batkin Professor of Jewish Studies and chair of the Department of Religion and Classics at the University of Rochester. She is currently finishing a book titled "Recipes for the Melting Pot: Reading The Settlement Cook Book." Rubel previously wrote "Doubting the Devout: The Ultra-Orthodox in the Jewish American Imagination" and edited "Religion, Food, and Eating in North America." Her Ph.D. is in American religions. Rubel holds previous degrees in Religion and culture, American studies, and American religion.

The event is hosted by the Cornell Jewish Studies Club and co-sponsored in part by the SAFC, Jewish Studies Program, American Studies Program, Food Science Department and Near Eastern Studies Department. For further information, contact [rnf33@cornell.edu](mailto:rnf33@cornell.edu).

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The service led by Sisterhood members is being created and organized by Hollie Levine and Cathy Eckert. Shari Neuberger will provide the music and lead the singing portions of the service.

Installation of all board members who attend will

be by Rabbi Barbara Goldman-Wartell in lieu of a sermon. Installation will be during the service. A Torah will be passed among the Sisterhood members who attend. Following services, the *oneg* will be provided by Sisterhood in honor of all Sisterhood members and officers.

Sisterhood Shabbat is open to all interested people and Sisterhood members are encouraged to attend.



## Mailbox Shorts

### Podcast for moms

The podcast <https://zibbyowens.com/podcast-1>, "Moms Don't Have Time to Read Books." is hosted by Zibby Owens. The site features interviews of writers about their work for listeners "who don't have as much time as they'd like to read." In addition to the audio, the site provides a transcript of each interview for those who have difficulty hearing on the web.

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**Notice of Formation of 600 Trim Street, LLC.** Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/18/19. Office location: Broome County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3 Valley View Ct., Binghamton, NY 13904. Purpose: any lawful activities.

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1. The name of the limited liability company ("LLC") is 3660 St. John LLC.
2. The date of filing of the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State is March 28, 2019.
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the State of New York is hereby designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him or her is: 24 Ford Lane, Roseland, NJ 07068.

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4. The Secretary of State of the State of New York is hereby designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him or her is: 9 Carolyn Court, Endwell, NY 13760.
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1. The name of the limited liability company ("LLC") is Student Quarters, LLC.
2. The date of filing of the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State is April 11, 2019.
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4. The Secretary of State of the State of New York is hereby designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the

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5. The character or purpose of the business of the LLC is any purpose allowed by law.

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP UNDER NEW YORK LIMITED PARTNERSHIP LAW**

1. The name of the family limited partnership ("LP") is PSM Family Limited Partnership.
2. The date of filing of the Certificate of Limited Partnership with the Secretary of State is JANUARY 23, 2014.
3. The County within the State of New York in which the principal office of the LP is located is Broome.
4. The Secretary of State of the State of New York is hereby designated as agent of the LP upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LP served upon him or her is: 125 Krager Road, Binghamton, New York 13904.
5. Latest date which LP is to dissolve is December 31, 2060.
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**Notice of Formation of Mindful Psychiatry, PLLC.** Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/01/19. Office location: Broome County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 2613 Purdue Dr., Vestal, NY 13850. Purpose: to practice the profession of Medicine.

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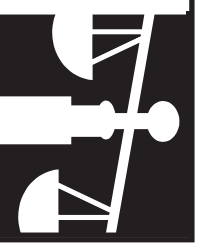
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# BD to honor Toby and Harold Kohn on May 5

Beth David's annual dinner will be held on Sunday, May 5, at 3 pm. This year's honorees will be Toby and Harold Kohn, who have chaired this event for the past 10 years. During those years, they looked after all the details which made the dinners a success, such as sending invitations, writing the publicity, preparing the programs, helping to make seating arrangements and, for Harold, acting as master of ceremonies. As this year's honorees, some of these tasks have been relinquished to others.



Toby and Harold Kohn

Toby was born and raised in Brooklyn. She graduated from Brooklyn College and received a master's degree in English from the State University of New York at Cortland. After moving to the Binghamton area, she taught English for grades nine-12 at Union Endicott High School for 25 years.

our area. He was a designer in the development labs and an advisory engineer at IBM in Endicott for 30 years, and holds 16 work-related patents. Now retired, Harold recently built a 3-D printer, which allows him to print a variety of objects.

Harold was born in Newark, NJ, but was raised in Brooklyn. He graduated from Brooklyn Technical High School and attended City College of New York. He served in the U.S. Army for two years at Fort Sill, OK, where he was a survey instructor.

Together, Toby and Harold have contributed much to the greater Jewish community and to Beth David. They serve on the Board of Trustees of Beth David, co-chair the annual dinner and regularly attend Shabbat services. Toby coordinates the helpers for See "Kohn" on page 11

Harold began his career as a tool and die maker in Brooklyn before moving to

## OF NOTE

### Appel

Stephen J. Appel will have a collection of his photographs on exhibit in May and June at the Vestal Museum, located on the Vestal Parkway next to the Vestal Public Library.

### Mativetsky

Hadassah Mativetsky, software quality engineer at Universal Instruments in Conklin, will be honored with the Paul Robert Award by the Binghamton Section of the American Society for Quality for her commitment to the local quality community.



L-r: Hadassah Mativetsky received the award from Robert Neuberger, ASQ past section chairman and past award recipient.

Mativetsky is the program chairwoman for the ASQ Binghamton Section, as well as a member at large for the ASQ Software Division and the Social Responsibility Technical Community. Since becoming aware of the American Society for Quality, she realized the need for students to know about it. She has spoken to students – from middle school through college – at more than a dozen events across four states.

"Hadassah's energy and passion for the Quality profession and practices not only support but also invigorates the local section. Her involvement at the regional and national levels make her a role model for students interested in options for STEM careers," says Christine Hannon, section membership chairwoman.

In 1947, Paul A. Robert founded a local group to preserve and propagate knowledge learned by the military during World War II. The group became the Binghamton section of the American Society for Quality. In keeping with the mission of the society to share ideas and tools that make the world better, the Binghamton section launched the Paul A. Robert Award in honor of its founder. Since the award was initiated in 1965, it has been given to a local member of the community who has demonstrated outstanding commitment to supporting the Binghamton section, as well as local businesses and organizations in promoting product and service quality.



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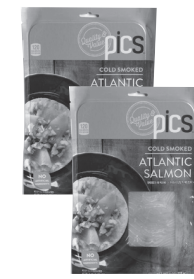
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footage and photos to bring Ferencz's world to life. Paul-William Burch will moderate the discussion.

## Federation Annual Meeting and "My Polish Honeymoon" on Sunday, May 19, at 7 pm

A very short annual meeting will begin at 7 pm and be followed by a showing of the film. (See "Annual meeting" sidebar on page 1.)

"My Polish Honeymoon" tells the story of Anna and Adam, a young Parisian couple with Jewish origins, who are about to travel to Poland for the first time. They are just married and – technically speaking – this will be their honeymoon. They plan to attend a ceremony in memory of the Jewish community in the village of Adam's grandfather, which was destroyed 75 years ago.

Adam is not really enthusiastic about this, but sees it as an occasion to spend some quality time with his wife away from their baby boy. Anna, on the other hand, is both extremely anxious and overly excited about the trip to her grandmother's country. She is hoping to reconnect with her roots and finally discover more about her own family's history, which was always a mystery.

## "Capernaum" on Thursday, May 23, at 7 pm

Winner of the Grand Jury Prize at the Cannes Film Festival, Nadine Labaki's



Arthur Igual and Judith Chemla star in "My Polish Honeymoon."

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## "City of Joel" on Thursday, May 30, at 7 pm

"City of Joel" is a documentary – with unprecedented access – to a 1.1 square mile shtetl in the suburbs that is home to 22,000 members of one of the most insular and orthodox Chasidic sects. Viewers follow the battles they are waging. Just 50 miles north of New York City, the Satmar sect has built Kiryas Joel as a religious haven where they can be fruitful, multiply and follow the 613 rules of the Torah. With some of the highest rates of marriage, birth and

religious observance in the country, they have to keep up with this growth, but their neighbors fight back because they believe it will harm the secular community. Rivky Slonim will moderate the discussion.

## "Shoelaces" on Sunday, June 2, at 7 pm

Ruven (Doval'e Glickman) is a gruff, 60-year-old man who owns a small auto repair shop in Tel Aviv. He was once married, but has long been divorced. When his wife gave birth, the couple found out that their son Gadi (Nevo Kimchi) had special needs. Ruven and his wife eventually split up, with Ruven's wife and Gadi moving out of town. One day, Ruven gets a phone call telling him that his ex-wife has died. He goes to the funeral and finds out from a social worker named Ilana (Evelin Hagoel) that he has to take in Gadi, who is now in his 30s, for a few weeks until a facility opens up with a space that Gadi can permanently live in.



At right: A scene from the documentary "City of Joel."



At left: A scene from "Shoelaces" with Nevo Kimchi (left) and Doval'e Glickman.

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rid of the groom. However, the groom's family objected to the divorce and asked a rabbinic court in Frankfort to negate the document written in Cleves. While every other rabbinic authority agreed the divorce was valid, the Frankfort rabbinic court refused to accept that ruling. What should have been a simple decision turned into a major battle between rabbinic authorities.

"Mavericks, Mystics and Messiahs" also features chapters about such eccentrics as the London kabbalist Chaim Samuel Jacob Falk, who may or may not have been a Sabbatian sympathizer; Lord George Gordon, a member of the British aristocracy who became an Orthodox Jew; and Ignatius Timotheus Trebitsch-Lincoln, a Hungarian Jew who committed fraud, served as a Christian missionary, became a member of the British Parliament and then a German spy, before his time in Shanghai serving as the Grand Abbot Chau Kung. Dunner's work concludes with a discussion of the sources used in each chapter and his thoughts on writing a history for general readers, rather than specialists. His book is not a completely unbiased history; for example, one person is described as a "devious rogue." However, the stories were grand fun to read, which makes this an excellent way to introduce people to some of the stranger parts of Jewish history.

While Dunner explores several historical events and personages, Raffel focuses primarily on the actions of one person, Dr. Martin Couney. Couney is a fascinating character whose true story was difficult to pin down. What is clear is that this Prussian Jew, born Michael Cohn in 1869, managed to save the lives of thousands (the actual estimate is between 6,500-7,000) of premature babies – those who would otherwise have been left to die – even though he had no medical background. Even more amazing is that he didn't charge the parents

one cent for keeping their babies alive – whether the parents were rich, poor, white or black. How did Couney manage this? His babies were displayed at sideshow exhibits at World Fairs, Coney Island and Atlantic City to anyone who could afford the admission charge.

Raffel not only looks at Couney's life, but at how the medical establishment of the time was unable – and sometimes uninterested – in caring for premature babies. She contrasts what Couney was accomplishing with the displays of eugenics (a movement that wanted to rid the world of physically and mentally defective individuals) that were featured in the science centers at World Fairs – the same fairs where Couney's babies were relegated to the entertainment section. The author talks to others who explored Couney's history and tries to sort out the different stories told about him. She also discovered that some of his babies were still living. Yes, some of those babies, who had not been expected to live more than a few days, not only lived to their 90s, but had children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Unfortunately, Couney felt his work never received the recognition it deserved. He also never fit into the cultured society he wished to be part of, even though he was generous with his time and money. Raffel notes, "Within the lovely, cultured company the Couneys kept, Martin failed... to qualify as *one of them*. He was still a showman. And darling, that name and airs didn't fool them: He was Jewish." But that Jewish man accomplished something remarkable.

I found "The Strange Case of Dr. Couney" fascinating reading. Couney sounds more like a character from a novel, rather than a real-life person, but that's what made this work so wonderful. In easy-to-read prose, Raffel finally gives this amazing man his due.

## 5 weeks, 6 films!

Sunday, May 12 - 7pm  
A Night at the Garden

In 1939, 20,000 Americans rallied in New York's Madison Square Garden to celebrate the rise of Nazism – an event largely forgotten from American history. "A Night at the Garden", made entirely from archival footage filmed that night, transports audiences to this chilling gathering and shines a light on the power of demagoguery and anti-Semitism in the United States. (approx. 7 minutes)

### and Prosecuting Evil

Occupied Germany, 1945: A 25-year-old Jewish lawyer from New York is transferred from the battlefield to the horrors of the newly liberated concentration camps to collect evidence for what will become the Nuremberg trials of Nazi murderers. Two years later, Ben Ferencz prosecuted 22 members of the Einsatzgruppen, mobile death squads that killed more than a million Jews. All were convicted.

Sunday, May 19 - 7pm\* • My Polish Honeymoon

(film shown immediately after Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton's Annual Meeting) Anna and Adam, a young Parisian couple with Jewish origins, are about to travel to Poland for the first time. They are just married and technically speaking this will be their honeymoon. They will attend a ceremony in memory of the Jewish community in the village of Adam's grandfather, which was destroyed 75 years ago.

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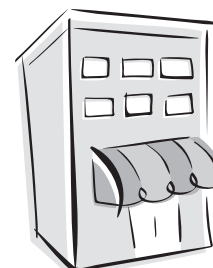
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All films will be shown at The JCC, 500 Clubhouse Rd., Vestal, New York, and will start at 7pm, with the exception of "My Polish Honeymoon" on May 19\* - a short Federation meeting will precede the film. Each screening will be followed by a discussion of the picture led by a community member. The films are open to the entire community. Tickets cost \$10 per evening or \$45 for a subscription. The event is sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton and donors are soon to be announced.

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# Hillel at Binghamton celebrates Israel's national days

Hillel at Binghamton and Bearcats for Israel invite community members to take part in a series of events during Israel's national days.

On Monday, May 6, at 1:30 pm, in honor of Israel's Memorial Day, a combat veteran will share his story during a Lunch and Learn in the Hillel students' lounge.

On Tuesday, May 7, at 6:30 pm, there will be a gathering to commemorate Israel's fallen soldiers and victims of terror. There will be a *tekes* (ceremony) in room UU-209 in the University Union.

On Saturday, May 11, at 9 pm, Israel's 71<sup>st</sup> Independence Day will be celebrated. The Israeli band

Hatikva 6 will perform a concert for Yom Ha'atzmaut at Binghamton University's Event Center. This will be a celebration of Israeli culture, music and its independence.

Tickets for the Hatikva 6 concert may be purchased at [hatikva6.com](http://hatikva6.com).

## Music in the Kilmer Mansion concert on May 5

On Sunday, May 5, at 3 pm, Ensemble Concord will present its spring concert featuring violinist Jennifer Reuning Myers, violist George Myers, cellist Hakan Tayga-Hromek and pianist John Isenberg. The chamber music concert will be held at the Kilmer Mansion at Temple Concord, 9 Riverside Dr., Binghamton. The concert will include "Violin Sonata No. 2 in D Major" by Georg Philipp Telemann, "String Trio No. 1 in B-flat Major" by Franz Schubert and "Piano Quartet No. 1 in G Minor" by Johannes Brahms.

Reuning Myers, a native of Ithaca, is an active violinist in New York state, performing with the Glimmerglass Opera Orchestra, the Cayuga Chamber Orchestra and the Fenni-

more String Quartet. As a member of the Catskill Chamber Players, she worked with composers Lou Harrison, Henry Bryant, Virgil Thompson and George Crumb.

Myers, a native of Brooklyn, was on the faculty of Hamilton College for 16 years. He has been guest conductor for regional All-State Festivals in New York, as well as at Binghamton University. He retired as director of orchestras at Ithaca High School, and is currently violist with the Cayuga Chamber Players.

Tayga-Hromek is the principal cellist with the Binghamton Philharmonic. A music collaborator, he has also performed with the Novo4tet, De Vere String Quartet, Syracuse Symphony, Orchestra of Northern New York and many other

organizations and local artists in the Central New York region.

Isenberg is a collaborative pianist in the Music Department at Binghamton University. Over the course of 11 years, he served the Tri-Cities Opera in various capacities including pianist and education outreach coordinator. He has performed with many groups and individuals in the Binghamton area in many different musical styles.

Those attending are invited to a reception following the concert.

Tickets are \$15. Students are admitted free of charge. Tickets are available by calling Temple Concord at 723-7355 and leaving a message, or by e-mailing [TempleConcordBinghamton@gmail.com](mailto:TempleConcordBinghamton@gmail.com).

## TI Sisterhood to hold brunch and concert on May 5

The Temple Israel Sisterhood will hold a brunch and musical performance open to the entire community on Sunday, May 5, from 10 am-noon, at Temple Israel.

The cost of admission to the brunch and concert will be \$10 per person, with a maximum charge of \$25 per family. RSVPs are requested by phone to Tammy Kuczman at 723-7461 or by e-mail to [titammy@stny.twcbc.com](mailto:titammy@stny.twcbc.com), to ensure adequate food preparation in advance.



Sophia Klin

The featured performers will be 17-year-old Temple Israel member and violinist Sophia Klin and her piano accompanist Emmet Chilton-Sugerman.

Klin is a senior at Binghamton High School. She has been playing violin since hearing the instrument at a preschool show-and-tell in 2006. In fourth grade, she found a cadre of like-minded students in the Binghamton school community and discovered her passion for music. Later, she qualified for a position with the Binghamton Youth Symphony.



Emmet Chilton-Sugerman

Currently, Klin continues to be a member of the Binghamton Youth Symphony, the Binghamton High School Orchestra and BHS String Quartet. She has played in NYSSMA All-County, All-State (Regional) and All State Orchestras at the highest level. She has won the

Southern Tier Music Association and Binghamton Youth Symphony Concerto Competitions.

Having studied with violinist Dezso Vaghy for the past 10 years, Klin is involved in Binghamton's music community. She is an active member of the Binghamton Baroque Orchestra, and a musician for theater productions and other local engagements. Additionally, she teaches several

private students. While she says her favorite instrument is the violin, she still finds time to play the tuba, steel drums, sing in her school chorus and is a klezmer music enthusiast.

Pianist Emmet Chilton-Sugerman is 17 years old and a 12<sup>th</sup> grade student at Binghamton High School. He grew up in Amherst, MA, where he began playing the piano at age 4. Since moving to Binghamton two years ago, he has studied piano with Pej Reitz.

Chilton-Sugerman was the first place winner at the STMTA piano competition in March 2018. He received an A-plus score at the New York State School Solo Festival.

At Binghamton High School, Chilton-Sugerman serves as the piano accompanist for several school choirs. He also plays with many student musicians. Chilton-Sugerman and Klin perform together frequently in school and in the community.

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#### In response to rocket, Israel restricts Gaza fishing zone

Following the firing of a rocket by the Palestinian Islamic Jihad terrorist organization late the night of April 29, Israel has temporarily scaled back the authorized Gaza fishing zone from 15 nautical miles to six. The Israel Defense Forces reported that the rocket, launched from the al-Attrah neighborhood of Beit Lahiya in the Gaza Strip, landed in the Mediterranean Sea off the coast of Israel, and accused Palestinian Islamic Jihad of firing it with the aim of derailing ceasefire efforts between Israel and Hamas. The IDF noted the attack took place just before the period which includes Israel's Memorial Day and Independence Day, and the Muslim holy month of Ramadan. In March, Israel and Hamas entered into an unofficial cease-fire agreement according to which Hamas would scale back violence on the Gaza border in exchange for economic and humanitarian benefits, including the Gaza fishing zone being expanded to 15 nautical miles. The week of April 26, a rocket from Gaza landed in an open field in Gaza, having not managed to reach Israeli territory. On April 27, Israeli troops fired at three Palestinian men attempting to breach the border fence in the northern Gaza Strip. Incendiary balloons were also launched from Gaza that day, sparking a fire at the Besor River nature reserve in southern Israel. On April 26, about 7,000 Gazans took part in rioting along the Gaza border, hurling rocks and explosives at IDF troops.

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# Temple Mount comes alive (literally) in new exhibit in Jerusalem

By Judy Lash Balint

(JNS) – A few years ago, *The New York Times* called Temple Mount “the world’s most contested piece of real estate.” A new exhibit of photographs of the site that’s holy to billions of people around the world, and has been a tinderbox throughout its history, will open at the Tower of David Museum in Jerusalem. Titled simply “The Mount: A Photographic Journey to Temple Mount,” the exhibit incorporates images from the beginning of photography in 1836 all the way through to the virtual reality, or VR, of today.

“This is a clear and sober look at Temple Mount,” says Eilat Lieber, director and chief curator of the Tower of David Museum. Lieber notes that the exhibit captures “snapshots” from diverse historical, religious and political viewpoints, and doesn’t shy away from acknowledging

the different claims to the site that’s sacred to Jews and Muslims and meaningful to Christians.

In keeping with the Tower of David’s approach to presenting Jerusalem history, the new exhibit includes a 24/7 live feed over the western side of the mount from a camera atop the iconic Phasael Tower; an interactive table with touchscreen where visitors can get information on different parts of the compound and two virtual-reality experiences.

On a recent sunny Jerusalem spring day, the live cam showed a few dozen people wandering between the Dome of the Rock shrine and the Al-Aksa Mosque. Lieber explains that the live feed enables everyone to “see it [the mount] from a safe distance, up high and far away.”

Despite the increase in non-Muslim visitors to the mount over the past several years, many tourists are scared off by the threat of violence, and some Orthodox Jews follow the

rabbinical ruling that it’s forbidden to ascend to the site where the Temple once stood since the exact site of the Holy of Holies is not known. In recent years, a growing number of rabbis began to permit and encourage Jews to go up to the mount, but the status quo arrangements between Israeli authorities and the Waqf (Muslim religious body that administers the site) forbid Jews and Christians from praying there, in addition to restricting access by non-Muslims to a few hours per day.

That’s where the two virtual-reality experiences of the new exhibit come in. Both are the product of the Tower of David Innovation Lab that launched in 2017 to support companies in their development of unique technological solutions catering to visitors’ experience.

One VR features a 3D camera that was set up inside the Dome of the Rock when it was completely empty. Developed into one 360-degree photo, anyone putting on the VR gear can experience the awesome nature of the place that surrounds the foundation stone of the world. It’s the closest any non-Muslim will get inside the dome, which has been officially closed to non-Muslim visitors for the past 20 years.

The second VR experience is a three-minute encounter with prayers on the mount at the conclusion of the 2018 Ramadan season. Putting on the Oculus Go headset, **See “Exhibit” on page 11**

## Italian. . . . Continued from page 1

address the social, religious and cultural aspects of the early modern history of Jews in Italy, focusing on the multifaceted politics and dynamics of ghetto life. She earned her Ph.D. from the University of Haifa and held postdoctoral fellowships at the University of Oxford, the University of California-Los Angeles and the University of Pennsylvania. She is co-editor of “From Catalonia to the Caribbean: The Sephardic Orbit from Medieval to Modern Times” and a special issue of the journal *Jewish History* titled “Traditions and Transformation in Eighteenth-Century Europe: Jewish Integration in Comparative Perspective.” Her forthcoming monograph is titled “Invisible Enlighteners: Modern Jewishry from Renaissance to Emancipation.”

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Glasman teaches Yiddish language and lectures on the history of Jewish Eastern Europe at Binghamton University with topics such as “The Making of Modern Yiddish Culture,” “Jewish Immigrant New York” and “The Ghetto and the City.” Glasman has a background in museum curation and archival work in London, Philadelphia and New York. Her most recent publications include translations from Hebrew and Yiddish literature. She is currently working on research for a book titled “The Yiddish Fin de Siècle,” which charts the landscape of the Yiddish speaking world at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

College of Jewish Studies programs are open to the entire community; general admission is \$8 per program, or \$20 for all three programs; senior admission is \$5 per program or \$12 for all three programs. BU students are welcome to attend with no charge. All programs will begin at 7:30 pm at the Jewish Community Center.

The College of Jewish Studies provides opportunities for adult Jewish education for the Broome County community by offering fall and spring programs. Drawing on local resources and inviting scholars and experts from a range of universities and cultural and religious institutions, CJS sponsors a wide array of programs dealing with Jewish history, culture, religion and politics.

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Shimon Lev, curator, in front of “The Mount: A Photographic Journey to Temple Mount Temple Mount compound, Dome of the Rock.” (Photo by Judy Lash Balint)

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# Sderot residents among wounded in CA Chabad synagogue shooting

By JNS staff

(JNS) – Two of the victims of the April 27 shooting at the Chabad synagogue in Poway, CA, were former residents of the rocket-beleaguered Israeli town of Sderot, and had come to the United States for respite from the fear of attacks.

On the last day of Passover, 19-year-old John Earnest entered the synagogue of Rabbi Yisroel Goldstein and opened fire on worshipers with an AR-style rifle. Jumping in front of the rabbi's son, Rabbi Mendel Goldstein, 60-year-old Lori Gilbert-Kaye was shot and killed. Noya Dahan, 8, and her uncle, Almog Peretz, 31, were both wounded, with Noya hit by shrapnel in the face and leg, and Peretz shot in the leg. Peretz is being credited with helping save the lives of numerous children at the synagogue, herding them into another building when the shooter burst into the house of worship on Shabbat morning.

Speaking to Israel's Channel 12 news from his hospital bed, Peretz attributed his instinct of protecting children to

years of running to take shelter from rockets launched at his hometown of Sderot from the Gaza Strip. "This is sad, but I am originally from Sderot, so we know a bit about running from the Kassam rockets," he said.

"A person with a big rifle, like an M-16, entered the synagogue and started shooting everywhere. At first, we thought the ceiling had collapsed, but then I turned around and saw he was aiming his weapon at me," he said. "There were many small kids next to me. I took a little girl who was our neighbor and three nieces of mine and ran," he recalled. "I opened the back door, and we ran with all the children to a building in the back. I hid them in that building. As I picked up the girl, the terrorist aimed his weapon at me. I was injured in the leg."

Despite his injury and the danger, Peretz went back into the building in an attempt to save another child. "I came back because one of my nieces was stuck in the bathroom. I had to go back and bring her," he said. "Fortunately, she

stayed there, and the terrorist had already left."

"We went from fire to fire," said Israel Dahan, Noya Dahan's father, referring to his move from Sderot to California. He told Israel Radio that his family home had been hit by rockets several times, and that he himself had been wounded in a rocket attack. The ongoing fear of rockets led the Dahan family to relocate to California, where they hoped they could raise their children in safety. However, not only was his daughter wounded in the April 27 shooting attack, which was directly targeted against Jews, but his new home in California was defaced with swastikas. "It can happen anywhere," he said, but "we are strong."

Worshiper Shimon Abitbol, also from Israel, said he protected his grandson with his own body and helped usher the children outside, returning after the shooting stopped, seemingly due to a gun malfunction, to find Rabbi Yisroel Goldstein with serious bullet wounds to his hands. "He covered his wounds with a *tallit* – a very surreal sight," he said.

A paramedic with Israel's Magen David Adom, Abitbol was reportedly the first person to attempt to provide first aid to Gilbert-Kaye, but was unable to find a pulse.

## Poway shooter charged with murder in death of woman, injuries of three others

By JNS staff

(JNS) – John Earnest, the suspect behind killing a woman and injuring three others during April 27 morning services at the Chabad of Poway in Southern California, has been charged with a count of first-degree murder and three counts attempted murder, announced the San Diego Sheriff's Department on April 28.

"There is no indication at this point in the investigation that Earnest was part of an organized group," said San Diego County Sheriff Bill Gore in a press release. "We believe he acted alone and without outside support in carrying out the attack." The press release mentioned that the San Diego Sheriff's Department has been interviewing about 100 people who were victims of and witnesses to the shooting at the synagogue, which is located about a half-hour outside the city.

Earnest, a nursing student who had no prior criminal record and wrote in a manifesto that he "would die a thousand times over to prevent the doomed fate that the Jews have planned for my race," was scheduled to appear in court on May 1. Gore said Earnest could be charged with a hate crime.

After killing congregant Lori Gilbert-Kaye, 60, and injuring three others, including the synagogue's rabbi, 57-year-old Yisroel Goldstein, Earnest fled the scene. His

car was struck multiple times by an off-duty Border Patrol agent, Jonathan Morales, who was at the synagogue and fired at the shooter. Earnest was soon apprehended without incident after he called 911 to admit to committing the crime, in addition to providing his location.

The other two injured were Noya Dahan, 8, and her 34-year-old uncle, Almog Peretz.

Goldstein received a phone call on April 28 from U.S. President Donald Trump. "He was so comforting," the rabbi, who lost his right index finger, told the media on April 28 in front of the synagogue building. The rabbi said the call was 10-15 minutes long.

"I spoke at length yesterday to Rabbi Yisroel Goldstein, Chabad of Poway, where I extended my warmest condolences to him and all affected by the shooting in California. What a great guy. He had a least one finger blown off, and all he wanted to do is help others. Very special," tweeted Trump on April 29.

Kaye, known as a pillar in the Southern California Jewish community, was to be laid to rest on April 29. She jumped in front of Goldstein during the shooting, saving his life. "Lori, you were a jewel of our community a true *Eshet Chayil*, a Woman of Valor," said friend Audrey Jacobs on her Facebook page on April 27, reported CNN. "You were always running to do a mitzvah and gave *tzedakah* to everyone."

### NEWS IN BRIEF

From JNS.org

#### Israeli scientists discover potential new epilepsy treatment

Researchers at Tel Aviv University have discovered that a drug used to treat multiple sclerosis may help epilepsy patients. Published in the scientific journal *Neuron*, the findings of Prof. Inna Slutsky of the university's faculty of medicine and school of neuroscience center around the mechanism which regulates neural activity. The team found that the DHODH gene is key to triggering neural activity, and that the drug Terflunomide, a drug used to treat multiple sclerosis, inhibited such activity. The reduction in neural activity became permanent when researchers exposed brain cells to the drug for long periods. Now, researchers say they believe their findings will help develop drugs focusing on neural stability. "We discovered a new mechanism responsible for regulating brain activity in the hippocampus, which may serve as a basis for the future development of effective drugs for epilepsy," Slutsky said. The discovery is particularly encouraging for those suffering from Dravet Syndrome, an epileptic condition with a 15-20 percent mortality rate, that causes frequent and prolonged seizures and has thus far been resistant to pharmaceutical treatment.

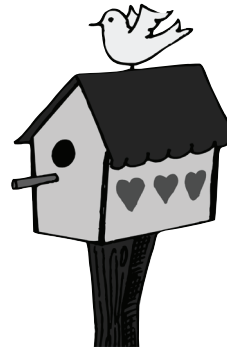
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The live goat is brought to the altar. Aaron confesses

the iniquities and transgressions of the Israelites over the goat's head. The goat carries all those iniquities and sins with it, and is led to an inaccessible area and set free, symbolically freeing the Israelites of their burdens. The goat is set free and lives as the Israelites move forward from Yom Kippur with a clean slate. The *Tashlich* ritual on Rosh Hashanah of throwing the crumbs from our pockets into a body of water is also to rid ourselves of what weighs us down, burdens us, our sins and mistakes, and move forward to start anew.

Juxtaposed with the modern conception of a scapegoat, our version takes something positive and twists it into something hateful and destructive. A scapegoat today is someone or a group who is blamed for things others will not come to terms with, things they did not do. The scape-

goater refuses to accept responsibility for problems and their own actions, trying to shift the blame to others. We have countless examples of people blaming others for their troubles. The consequences are serious and can be deadly.

Judaism offers a system of laws of how we are to relate to one another, of our obligations to our community, to other individuals, to ourselves and to God. The more we heed our Jewish way of life, the more we will have a system to fight against modern day scapegoating and other things which profane our world. We can continue to persevere, to strive for a world where all are treated with respect, integrity and dignity, where we can strive to live by the Golden Rule found in next week's Torah portion: "You shall be holy, for I, your God, am holy....Love your neighbor as yourself."

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 Rabbi: David Regenspan  
 Address: 72 South Broad St., Norwich, NY 13815  
 Contact: Guilia Greenberg, 336-1523  
 Purpose: To maintain a Jewish identity and meet the needs of the Jewish community in the area.  
 Adult Ed.: Saturday morning study is held at 10 am. Call for more information and to confirm.

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Affiliation: Chabad-Lubavitch  
 Rabbi: Aaron Slonim  
 E-mail: aslonim@binghamton.edu  
 Address: 420 Murray Hill Rd., Vestal, NY 13850  
 Phone: 797-0015, Fax: 797-0095  
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 Rabbi: Zalman Chein  
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 Address: 27 Bennet Ave., Binghamton, NY 13905  
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 Regular service times: Daily 7:30 am, Friday evening 6 pm, Shabbat morning 9:30 am, Maariv and Havdalah one hour after candle-lighting time, Sundays 9:30 am.  
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### Temple Concord

Affiliation: Union for Reform Judaism  
 Rabbi: Barbara Goldman-Wartell  
 Address: 9 Riverside Dr., Binghamton, NY 13905  
 Office hours: Tues.-Fri., 10 am-2 pm  
 Phone: 723-7355, Fax: 723-0785  
 Office e-mail: TempleConcordbinghamton@gmail.com  
 Website: www.templeconcord.com  
 Regular service times: Friday, 8 pm; Saturday, 10:35 am, when religious school is in session.  
 Hebrew school: Hebrew school meets at 5:15 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the school year unless otherwise noted.  
 On Friday, May 3, at 8 pm, there will be a Shabbat service remembering Yom Hashoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day, led by Rabbi Barbara Goldman-Wartell.

On Saturday, May 4, at 9 am, there will be a last day of religious school potluck breakfast (pajamas optional); at 9:15 am, there will be Torah study; and at 10:35 am, there will be a family Shabbat service honoring the teachers.

On Sunday, May 5, from 10 am-2 pm, there will be a Temple Concord Sisterhood rummage sale (buy one item, get one free); and at 3 pm, there will be a Music in the Kilmer Mansion – Ensemble Concord Spring Concert (see page 7 article).

On Tuesday, May 7, at 10:30 am, the Tuesday Morning Book Club will meet at Temple Concord; and, from 5:15-6:15 pm, there will be a b'nai mitzvah family program.

On Thursday, May 9, from 5-7 pm, the CHOW pantry will be open.

On Friday, May 10, at 8 pm, there will be a Sisterhood Shabbat service and Sisterhood Installation led by the women of Temple Concord Sisterhood. Rabbi Barbara Goldman-Wartell will lead the installation. The oneg will be hosted by the Sisterhood Hospitality Committee.

On Saturday, May 11, at 9:15 am, there will be Torah study.

### Temple Brith Sholom

Affiliation: Unaffiliated  
 Address: P.O. Box 572, 117 Madison St., Cortland, NY 13045  
 Phone: 607-756-7181  
 President: Bruce Fein, bfein@twcny.rr.com  
 Service leaders: Lay leadership  
 Shabbat services: Either Friday evening at 7:30 pm or Saturday at 10 am from Rosh Hashanah to Shavuot. Holiday services are also held. Check the weekly e-mail for upcoming services. Contact the president to get on the e-mail list.  
 Religious School: Students are educated on an individual basis. Temple Brith Sholom is a small equalitarian congregation serving the greater Cortland community. Congregants span the gamut of observance and services are largely dependent on the service leader. The Friday night siddur is "Likrat Shabbat," while the Saturday morning siddur is "Gates of Prayer." The community extends a warm welcome to the Jewish student population of SUNY Cortland, as well as the residents of local adult residences.

### Kol Haverim

Affiliation: Society for Humanistic Judaism  
 Address: P.O. Box 4972, Ithaca, NY 14852-4972  
 Phone: 607-277-3345  
 E-mail: info@kolhaverim.net  
 Website: www.kolhaverim.net  
 Chairwoman: Abby Cohn  
 Kol Haverim: The Finger Lakes Community for Humanistic Judaism, is an Ithaca-based organization that brings people together to explore and celebrate Jewish identity, history, culture and ethics within a secular, humanistic framework. KH is part of an international movement for Secular Humanistic Judaism and is affiliated with the Society for Humanistic Judaism, a national association with over 30 member communities and congregations around the country. Established in the spring of 1999, it offers celebrations of Jewish holidays, monthly Shabbat pot-lucks, adult education, a twice-monthly Cultural School for children, and a bar and bat mitzvah program.  
 KH welcomes all individuals and families, including those from mixed religious backgrounds, who wish to strengthen the Jewish experience in their lives and provide their children with a Jewish identity and experience.

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 Saturday, May 4, Shabbat ends ..... 8:48 pm  
 Friday, May 10, light candles before ..... 7:54 pm  
 Saturday, May 11, Shabbat ends ..... 8:55 pm

### Temple Israel

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 Rabbi: Geoffrey Brown  
 Address: 4737 Deerfield Pl., Vestal, NY 13850  
 Phone: 723-7461 and 231-3746  
 Office hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 am-4 pm; Fri. 8 am-3 pm  
 E-mail: titammy@stny.twcbc.com  
 Website: www.templeisraelvestal.org  
 Service Schedule: Tuesday, 5:30 pm; Friday, 5:30 pm; Saturday, 9:30 am

On Saturday, May 4, at 9:30 am, Shabbat services will be led by Rabbi Geoffrey Brown. The Torah portion will be Leviticus 16:1-18:30. The haftarah will be I Samuel 20:18-42. Howard Warner and Judy Simon will sponsor the kiddush.

On Sunday, May 5, from 10 am-noon, there will be a brunch featuring a performance by Sophia Klin. The cost is \$10 per person, max. \$25 per family. RSVP to the temple office. (See page 7 article.)

On Tuesday, May 7, at 7 pm, there will be an Executive Board meeting.

### Temple Beth-El of Ithaca

Affiliation: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism  
 Rabbi: Scott L. Glass  
 Address: 402 North Tioga St. (the corner of Court and Tioga streets), Ithaca, NY 14850-4292  
 Phone: 273-5775  
 E-mail: rabbi@tbeithaca.org and secretary@tbeithaca.org  
 Website: www.tbeithaca.org  
 President: Jerry Davis  
 Sisterhood President: Julie Paige  
 Director of Education: Rabbi Suzanne Brody  
 Administrative Assistant: Jane Griffith  
 Services: Friday 8 pm; Saturday 10 am, unless otherwise announced. Weekday morning minyan 7:30 am (9 am on Sundays and legal holidays).  
 Religious School/Education: September-May: Classes meet on Sunday, 9 am-12:30 pm and Wednesday afternoons, 3:45-5:45 pm. The Midrashah (eighth-grade and high school) classes will meet at times designated by their respective teachers.  
 Adult Ed.: Numerous weekly courses, several semester-long courses and a variety of mini-courses and lectures are offered throughout the year. Call the temple office for more details.

From Friday-Sunday, May 3-5, Dr. Ron Wolfson will be the Martin Alexander Memorial Scholar-in-Residence. On May 3, at 6:15 pm, Kabbalat Shabbat services will be held with Wolfson discussing "Envisioning the Relational Synagogue of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century." There will be a Shabbat dinner at 7 pm, for which reservations were required by April 21; call the temple office for further information. On May 4, at 10 am, the Shabbat morning service will include Wolfson discussing "Welcoming: The First Step in Building a Sacred Community of Relationships"; Tot Shabbat will be held at 11:15 am in the Rubinstein Chapel; there will be a lunch at noon (reservations were required); at 1 pm, Saturday Torah study will consider "The Seven Questions You're Asked in Heaven"; and at 8 pm, there will be an interactive leadership workshop on relational engagement during Havdalah, with wine and cheese served (reservations were required).

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 Adult Ed: Mini courses throughout the year. Adult Hebrew offered regularly. Call the office for details.

# Findings from first national study on Jewish grandparents show depth of involvement

By JNS staff

(JNS) – The first-ever national study of Jewish grandparents – commissioned by the Jewish Grandparents Network, in partnership with 17 national organizations and Jewish Federations – provides detailed information about the demographics, attitudes, beliefs, behaviors and needs of this family sector.

Nearly 8,000 individuals (approximately 1,000 of them from a nationally representative sample) participated in the study.

Key findings include that fact that most grandparents are committed to transmitting of Jewish values; nearly half of the grandparents in the national representative sample have a child married to a non-Jewish partner; and most frequently, interactions between grandparents and their grandchil-

dren take place in their homes and their grandchildren’s homes, around birthdays and national holidays.

According to David Raphael, co-founder and CEO of JGN, “The challenge for the Jewish community is to pivot toward the wonderful opportunity to engage grandparents in ways that ultimately bring the entire family together in meaningful Jewish experiences. Grandparents really can be partners in the Jewish engagement work that so many communities look to do.”

The study identified five segments or groupings of Jewish grandparents, based on shared attitudes and beliefs:

◆ Joyful Transmitters (20 percent): love being grandparents, and feel that it’s important to transmit Jewish values and beliefs.

◆ Faithful Transmitters (16 percent): want their grandchildren to have a strong connection to Judaism and to marry Jews.

◆ Engaged Secularists (23 percent): engaged grandparents, but don’t model Jewish involvement for their grandchildren.

◆ Wistful Outsiders (20 percent): want to be more involved with their grandchildren, but family dynamics get in the way.

◆ Non-Transmitters (20 percent): not Jewishly engaged nor interested in passing

on Jewish practices to their grandchildren.

In the months ahead, the Jewish Grandparents Network plans to collaborate with educators, professionals, community leaders and academics to further mine the study’s data, as well as understand how it can inform communal and organizational priorities and practices.

A report of the study’s findings will be available soon. For a copy, e-mail [info@jewishgrandparentsnetwork.org](mailto:info@jewishgrandparentsnetwork.org).

## Kohn . . . . . Continued from page 5

Shabbat *kiddushim* and is responsible for the *shul’s* Mitzvah Cards, which are sent to people in times of joy, illness and sorrow.

“Beth David has benefited greatly from their generosity of time, spirit and money,” said organizers of the event. “Perhaps their greatest achievement is their family, sons Michael, who lives in Endwell, and Daniel,

who lives in Brooklyn with his wife Anna.”

The community is invited to join the Beth David family in honoring the Kohns on May 5. The cost for the dinner, catered by Victor Torres, is \$50 per person. Tickets for a raffle fund-raiser will be available at the dinner. Seven prizes will be awarded, with a top prize of \$1,000.

## Exhibit . . . . . Continued from page 8

what’s most striking is the immediacy and informality of the scene. Moving your head in one direction or another, you are virtually in the thick of the tens of thousands who stream onto the Tempe Mount during Ramadan. Look straight ahead and you can see men of all ages wander casually about the compound, some glancing with curiosity into the camera lens.

Tower of David officials declined to divulge how they persuaded authorities to place a camera in the thick of Ramadan prayers.

In contrast to the new technology, the exhibit, which is housed in the Crusader Hall of the Museum, features seven sections of chronologically organized photographs taken of the mount during different periods since the advent of photography in 1839. The first photos focus on various structures in the compound with people posed to draw attention to the scale of the buildings.

There’s a section of pictures with fading colors and images, taken by Jews and tourists who ascended the mount between the reunification of Jerusalem in the 1967 Six-Day War and the mid-1980s, shortly before the first *intifada* started in December of 1987.

Shimon Lev, curator of exhibit and an expert on the photography of Jerusalem, told reporters: “This has been by far the most difficult exhibition that I have ever curated, due to the sensitiveness and the explosive nature of the subject we are exploring.”

Lieber noted that the advisory committee for the exhibit included Hebrew University scholars, as well as Islamic experts who were reluctant to publish their names. “Our philosophy at the Tower of David Museum is that we don’t have to agree, but we do have to respect each other,” she stated. “The first step is to discuss this powerful and complicated story.”

Through the hundreds of photographs on display in the exhibit – some iconic but others rarely seen – a picture emerges of one of the most potent symbols of religious and political divisions in the world.

Lieber is hopeful that the exhibition will offer opportunities “for encounter and dialogue.”

The exhibit is open at the Tower of David Museum, Jaffa Gate, until October. Entrance is included in the general admission price to the museum. Guided tours in English are held on Mondays from 9:30 am-11 am, and Thursdays from 1:30-3 pm. For more information, visit [www.tod.org.il/en](http://www.tod.org.il/en).

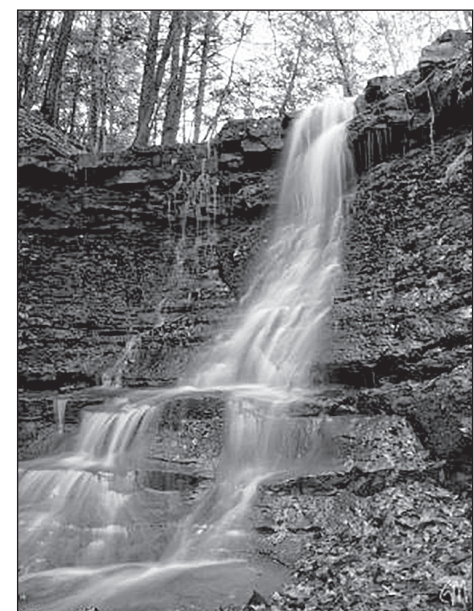
## Jewish Community Center Photography class at JCC on May 19

By Paige Bartholomew

The Jewish Community Center of Binghamton will hold a beginners’ photography class on Sunday, May 19, from noon-2 pm. The cost is \$40 for both members and non-members. Participants must bring their own DSLR camera. The entire community is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Participants will be guided through the class by local photographer Gregory Milunich, who is based in the Greater Binghamton area and specializes in fine art photography, photo restoration and colorization. The class will provide an opportunity for amateur photographers to learn the ins and outs of their DSLR cameras, and how to work with different lenses and settings to capture the perfect image.

For more information about the photography class, JCC adult programming, or the JCC, contact the JCC office at 724-2417.



A photo by local photographer Gregory Milunich, who will be teaching a beginners’ photography class at the JCC.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

From JNS.org

**Outrage ensues over antisemitic cartoon in *The New York Times***

The *New York Times* International Edition printed a political cartoon during Passover featuring U.S. President Donald Trump wearing a yarmulke, sporting dark-tinted glasses and being led by a dog with the face of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu with a large blue Star of David hanging from its collar. The cartoon sparked outrage and accusations that the celebrated newspaper is peddling antisemitic tropes. Appearing in the April 25 edition, the cartoon was available in the edition prior to the seventh day of Passover, but was taken down by the afternoon of April 27. The *Times* tweeted on The New York Times Opinion account that the piece was "offensive, and it was an error of judgment to publish it," and that it "included antisemitic tropes." Responses throughout the Jewish world were swift. "Another disgusting display of vile anti-Semitic tropes celebrated in The NY Times World," wrote Jewish philanthropist Israeli-American Adam Milstein. "The NY Times is signaling to the world that antisemitism is real, here and welcome." Legal expert and emeritus professor at Harvard University Law School Alan Dershowitz said, "Anti-Zionism is becoming an acceptable cover for anti-Semitism," and added that the paper "owes its readers more than an apology." Consul General of Israel in New York Dani Dayan reportedly contacted the *Times* to express Israel's opinion that the cartoon was unacceptable, and accused the *Times* of publicizing antisemitic tropes. CEO of the Foundation for Defense of Democracies Mark Dubowitz tweeted, "A

Jewish Netanyahu dog leading a blind Jewish looking Trump around. From the @nytimes international edition. This is how far we have fallen. Despicable." "This is just terrible the @NYT in an outrageous #antisemitic cartoon from Thursday's international edition," wrote retired Israel Defense Forces Lieutenant Colonel Peter Lerner. "Depicting a 'Jew dog' @Netanyahu, leading a blind converted @realDonaldTrump. No words on the page, nothing to do with the news, just spiteful antisemitism." "Absolutely disgraceful and classless antisemitic pic," tweeted Rep. Lee Zeldin (R-NY). Congressman Dan Crenshaw (R-TX) wrote that "even if unintentional, the left has normalized antisemitism under the guise of criticizing U.S.-Israel foreign policy." "So. Are we clear now that NYT folks can no longer pin the rise of anti-Semitism on the far right? Retraction or not, nobody has done more to mainstream it than NYT in this one moment," tweeted journalist David Hazony, former editor-in-chief at Azure and The Tower. Journalist Joyce Karam of The National decried the cartoon as "disgusting and sloppy," with Harry Cherry of *The Jewish Voice* stating "this apology isn't enough."

**Poll: Americans view Israel's people favorably, less positive about its gov't**

According to a new Pew Research Poll, most Americans view Israelis favorably, but less than half feel the same way about the Israeli government. The study also shows a sharp partisan divide in opinions on Israel, the Palestinians and their respective governments. Overall, 64 percent of respondents said they held very or somewhat favorable opinions of Israelis, with just 41 percent saying the same about Israel's

government. However, just 46 percent of respondents had very or somewhat favorable views of Palestinians, and a paltry 19 percent said the same of the Palestinian Authority government. Comparing Republicans and Democrats, 77 percent of Republicans and right-leaning independents held favorable opinions about Israelis, as opposed to just 57 percent of Democrats. While 46 percent of Republicans held favorable opinions of Israelis and unfavorable views of Palestinians, another 30 percent held favorable views of both peoples. Among Democrats, 25 percent held favorable views of Israel and unfavorable views of Palestinians. When asked about Israeli and Palestinian governments, 61 percent of Republicans expressed support for Israel's government, compared with just 26 percent of Democrats. Last year, 46 percent of Americans sympathized more with Israel, while 16 percent said they sympathized more with Palestinians. The survey was conducted April 1-15 among 10,523 adults on the Center's nationally representative American Trends Panel.

**Rabbi and wife based in Kenya injured in group attack during Passover**

A rabbi and his wife were assaulted on the night of April 23 at their synagogue and Jewish community center in the Kenyan capital of Nairobi. Five men attacked and injured Rabbi Shmuel and Chaya Notik, and stole religious items, food, passports and computers. The rabbi was slightly injured, while his wife was apparently beaten with sticks and more. She fled with her children to the bathroom, where she locked the door and waited for police to arrive. This is not the first time that the Notiks, who have been in Nairobi since 2014, have been attacked. Nairobi has one of the highest crime rates in the world. Shortly after their arrival, six men armed with knives mugged the rabbi on the street during Rosh Hashanah. He handed them his siddur (prayerbook), a lapel pin and *shofar*.

**British student told to "be like Israel and cease to exist"**

A student at Bristol University in the United Kingdom was told by the school's ethnic minority officer to "be like Israel and cease to exist." After pledging "zero tolerance of racism," Omar Chowdhury won the position of black, minority and ethnic (or BME) representative in March within the school's Students' Union. But Chowdhury's comments during a debate on the Facebook group Bristruths included telling Izzy Posen, "Your comments are like Israeli settlements: always popping up where they aren't wanted," and that "Just because you have an opinion does not mean it is valid and worth entertaining. ...I never see you even try to contribute anything. You just always come with some hella smarmy, asinine s\*\*\*," he added. "So please, be like Israel and cease to exist." Posen replied, "Well that escalated quickly. And you even managed to get Israel in there!" Members of Bristruths called for Chowdhury to be ejected from his role. "If they don't kick [him] off the SU committee, it is such a double standard," posted one student. "Jewish people are repeatedly swept under the rug. People are continually allowed to get away with this stuff. We need to set a precedent." Nina Freedman, president of the Bristol Jewish Society, condemned Chowdhury. "Jewish students are upset that an elected BME officer has made such a deeply offensive antisemitic remark, and we hope that an appropriate course of disciplinary action will be taken," she said. A university spokesperson told *The Times* that the university is investigating the matter, and that the administration is "committed to providing a positive experience for all students and staff, and actively encourage members of our community to report concerns."

**Morocco's Jewish community to hold first elections in five decades**

Morocco's Jewish community will hold its first elections in half a century to select its communal representatives. King Mohammed VI instructed the Minister of the Interior to supervise elections for the positions, which have been unfulfilled since 1969, according to a statement from the Interior Ministry on April 19. The ruler also called for the elections to occur periodically in accordance with the provisions of Dahir of May 7, 1945, a royal decree about "the reorganization of the Jewish communities," reported *Asharq Al-Awsat*. About 2,500 Jews currently reside in Morocco, which once boasted a community of 270,000 Jews, most of whom fled after Israel's victory in the 1967 Six-Day War.

**With U.N. supervision, Lebanon is ready to draw maritime borders with Israel**

Lebanon announced on April 23 that it is prepared to draw its maritime border with Israel under U.N. supervision, reported Lebanese media. "We are ready to draw Lebanon's maritime borders and those of the Exclusive Economic Zone using the same procedure that was used to draw the Blue Line under the supervision of the United Nations," Lebanese Parliament Speaker Nabih Berri told Stefano Del Col, head of the U.N. Interim Forces in Lebanon peacekeeping group, reported the Xinhua agency, citing Lebanon's National News Agency. The two nations claim more than 300 square miles of waters, in which disputes over the past year centered on gas fields in the conflict area. Lebanon warned its neighbors in March not to use a planned gas pipeline that will go from Israel to the European Union, citing the maritime disagreement with Israel.

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