

# THE REPORTER

Published by the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton

BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

December 21-27, 2018  
Volume XLVII, Number 51

## In wake of attacks, settlers ratchet up pressure on Netanyahu government

By Sam Sokol

JERUSALEM (JTA) – Hundreds of Israeli settlers, mostly high school students, took to the streets on the morning of December 16, heeding a call by leaders of the settlement movement to protest outside of the weekly Cabinet meeting at the prime minister's office in Jerusalem.

Waving placards bearing the slogan "We've finished being quiet because we are fed up to death," the settlers vented their rage at the government after a wave of terror attacks rocked the capital and West Bank over the previous week, wounding more than 10 and leaving three dead.

The violence and the settlers' rage is ratcheting up the pressure on Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his government, which is simultaneously pro-settler but wary of inflaming what has been called an already tense situation. Likely responding to that pressure, both among the populace and within his own coalition, Netanyahu announced on December 16 that he had ordered the acceleration of the demolition of terrorists' homes and revoked work permits for their clans.

"I have directed that the status of thousands of homes in settlements in Judea and Samaria be legalized, that two new industrial zones be established near Avnei Hefetz and Betar Ilit respectively, and that 82 new residential units be approved in Ofra. There will be other steps," he said.

Meanwhile, the Ministerial Committee for Legislation voted to advance a bill to legalize dozens of West Bank settlements, and settlers set up mobile homes at the previously evacuated Amona outpost.

But the protesters are demanding more: a more aggressive military response, much wider settlement construction and even the dismantlement of the Palestinian Authority. "We demand Abu Mazen's head,"



Hundreds of settlers, joined by members of the Israeli Cabinet, protested outside of the prime minister's office in Jerusalem on December 16, 2018. (Photo by Sam Sokol)

bellowed right-wing Likud MK Oren Hazan, referring to Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas. "For every dead soldier, we will spill the blood of one thousand terrorists."

"Death to the terrorists!" the crowd chanted in response.

Incidents the week of December 14 included two drive-by shootings at bus stops outside of the Ofra and Givat Asaf settlements, a car ramming near Ramallah, the stabbing of two police officers in the Old City and the knifing of a soldier guarding Beit El.

In response, the leaders of several local councils in the West Bank called for a municipal strike on December 16, shutting down schools and encouraging residents to

flock to the capital to demand "harsh action" against the Palestinians.

"It's important not to be quiet anymore," said Hananel Dorani, who chairs Yesha, the umbrella body for West Bank settlements,

in an interview with JTA. "We can't be free from terror until we strengthen the checkpoints. We need a war on terror to break their [will]. We need to build more settlements. That's the real solution."

Speaking at the rally, Samaria Settlers' Committee Chairman Tzachi Dickstein called for the re-establishment of Unit 101, a disbanded IDF unit that carried out cross-border retaliatory raids during the mid-20<sup>th</sup> century in response to Arab *fedayeen* attacks on Israeli civilians. "The IDF needs to avenge our dead. We need the death penalty for terrorists and to expel their families," Dickstein said.

Demanding that Israel also disband the Palestinian Authority, Dickstein, too, was met with loud calls of "death to the terrorists." The "Zionist answer" to terrorism, he called out, was "building more settlements."

Nine separate members of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's Cabinet came out to address the demonstration and express their solidarity with its goals, in effect protesting against themselves as the framers of Israeli government policy. Several members of the Cabinet, including Tourism Minister Yariv Levin and Science Minister Ofir Akunis, echoed the settler leaders' call for increased construction in the territories, with Akunis calling for a "war on barbaric terror" and See "Pressure" on page 7

## TI Sisterhood game afternoon on Jan. 8

On Tuesday, January 8, from 12-3 pm, Temple Israel Sisterhood will host a card and game afternoon in the synagogue's social hall.

The cost of admission to the event is \$5,

which includes a light lunch and one entry into a raffle drawing. Advance reservations are requested and should be phoned in to Tammy Kunsman in the temple office at 723-7461 by Wednesday, January 2.

### Spotlight

## Fact and fiction: Liz Rosenberg talks about "Indigo Hill"

By Rabbi Rachel Esserman

This December marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Indian Hill fire in Central Massachusetts that claimed the lives of five 17-year-olds when a fire exploded in a cabin built by a group of young men from Worcester, MA. Five teens survived the fire, as did a few others who left the party early. This fire serves as part of the inspiration for Liz Rosenberg's new novel "Indigo Hill." However, the book opens by observing the relationship between two sisters, Louisa and Michelle, after they discover their mother, Alma Johansson, is dying from incurable cancer. Alma hints there is something she would like her daughters to know, but that secret is only revealed after her death.

Rosenberg's novel features a variety of themes, including parental secrets, sibling rivalry and class differences. In an e-mail

interview, she noted, "I certainly had the secrets and rivalry in mind. The background story, around a fire, came in a bit later."

The author suggests that once a writer puts words on paper, it can be difficult to separate fact from fiction. "Fiction is always an amalgamation of the real and the imagined," she said. "Even Harry Potter characters are based on real-life people, according to J.K. Rowling. Similarly, even if you start with an actual historical event, in the process of writing a novel you will inevitably change it in order to tell a better story. And sometimes, let me admit, when I look back later to someone based either in history or my own memory, I forget what's fact and what is fiction. But I did want to



Liz Rosenberg

honor the survivors of the actual fire in this book, and also the character of Worcester itself. It was a work of love."

That certainly seems to apply to "Indigo Hill" since in the novel's afterward Rosenberg mentions that her fiancé was one of those lucky enough to have left the cabin before the fire began. His experience is reflected in the character of Louisa, who also leaves the cabin before the flames erupt. Although Rosenberg doesn't go into detail about whether or not someone in her family has a secret like Alma's, she writes that "nearly every family has its secrets. Mine is no exception."

Rosenberg is known for including a positive portrayal of Jewish men in many of her

novels and "Indigo Hill" is no exception. Michelle's husband, Joe, is Jewish and his wife considers him her best friend. "I always include Jewish people in my fiction, partly because I think they always represent the outsider," she said. "I also always include old people and children, because to me they represent the vulnerable and either experience or innocence. And I want to include all three because too often they are marginalized by society."

She is also hoping that "Indigo Hill" will appeal to book clubs. "It has a lot of powerful themes in it – memory and secrets, family and friendship," she said, also noting that "I love book clubs – Skyping with them, meeting whenever I can, and I am eternally grateful to the book club members."

### INSIDE THIS ISSUE

**Hanukkah around town**  
Hillel Academy students and BU students at the Chabad Center celebrated Chanukah.  
..... Page 3

**Food and fashion**  
The Israel Museum in Jerusalem is hosting an exhibit on "70 Years of Israeli Food and Fashion."  
..... Page 4

**News in brief...**  
U.N. says Hezbollah tunnels violate a resolution; Dutch gov't to cut funding to P.A.; and more.  
..... Page 8

**Special Sections**  
Legal Notices..... 4  
Book Review..... 4  
Personal and Business Services..... 5  
Classifieds..... 8

## JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE NOTES

## “The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel’s” Binghamton reunion

ROZ ANTOUN, DIRECTOR

When most fans of “The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel” were waiting anxiously for Amazon Prime Video’s release of Season 2 on December 5, there were a bunch of us local “extras” looking forward to not only seeing what Midge was up to, but seeing ourselves on the TV screen—or maybe not. It was possible and most probable that our scenes, shot dozens of times on location in Deposit at the old Scott’s Family Resort, would end up on the cutting room floor. It goes without saying that after putting in 14 hour days, going through makeup and wardrobe, and waiting in the holding area to be called for our time on camera, we all hoped to get our 11 seconds of fame.

I do not want to spend time here rehashing how the lot of us got to be extras in this show because those details are available in a previous “JFS Notes” article, “Through an extra’s lens” dated July 13 ([www.thereporter.org/Article.aspx?aID=4945](http://www.thereporter.org/Article.aspx?aID=4945)). If you want more information about “The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel,” the stars, the awards, the themes, the Jewish connections and to see a vast library of pictures, you can go to the show’s website. My purpose now is to tell you all about the reunion.

Let me begin: so, an acquaintance of mine who was also an extra called to invite me to a party at her friend’s house. Turns out, I didn’t know the friend and all I was told was

that the hostess was inviting the extras to her home for a get-together. Just bring yourself, no necessity of bringing food to share, and dress up in ‘50s attire if possible. Saturday night, 6 pm. OK, I thought, I’ll let my other friend know and we can check this out together. Why not?

Friendly faces greeted me. People whose names I had not even gotten to know from our acting gig were there and thrilled to reconnect. Turns out that a few of the women who were cast as Mah Jongg bubbles along with me recognized each other, so we sat down close to each other on the sofa and giggled like school girls as we were remembering the Mah Jongg games that never were really played and the clip-on earrings that nearly caused our earlobes to fall off. What we did share was the exhaustion of working from dusk to late into the night, confusion as to why the directors were calling for so many retakes and questioning how all of this would come together in the TV show.

Loretta, the hostess, was fantastic, opening her home for all of us to crowd around her TV to find ourselves on screen, and that we did. As we saw ourselves at the Catskills resort, we laughed together, applauded for each other, asked for the clip to be replayed and shared our memories of those days back in the ‘50s on set. Some of us talked about growing up in the ‘50s and that it was our

mothers who were actually young moms at the time that Mrs. Maisel is depicting now.

Spying me on the screen set my heart pumping. There I was, as my mom would have said, “My shy little Rozi, a star.” It practically took a magnifying glass and Superman’s vision for me to spot the gold flowered cap on my head as I sat at a Mah Jongg table in the background, but it was all worth it because it was evidence that I was really there and had not just dreamed it.

But none of that mattered. What became obvious was that being on the screen was not important to me. This adventure was all about the journey, not whether I was a marathon runner crossing the finish line first, but about the 26 miles I had run.

It was about trying something so far out of my comfort zone that I can’t believe I did it. The hairdresser in me was awakened at seeing women and men transformed before my eyes through makeup, hairstyling and vintage clothing. When I looked in the mirror at myself with fluttering extended eyelashes and red lips, I was given the gift of a new persona and it was fun. Also, traveling by bus every day the 40 miles south to Deposit, and being plunked down into a time gone by, but vividly remembered, facilitated the ease. See “Reunion” on page 5

## Opinion

## From the Desk of the Federation Executive Director

## Hello, this is Sima...

SIMA AUERBACH

On December 3, a Monday afternoon, I received a call from my daughter-in-law Nicky to come immediately to Poughkeepsie. Her doctor, after examining her that afternoon, said she might give birth. So I immediately flew out of the office. Neil grabbed our emergency “just in case” backpacks stuffed with pjs, a change of clothing and toiletries, and drove to Poughkeepsie. In the car, I thought how perfect the timing was. The day before we held a PJ Library event and even though I had arranged for some wonderful stand-by volunteers, I was happy to be able to be there.

Well, as often happens, nothing happened. Nicky gave birth Thursday evening to a 9.6 pound baby boy who they named Abraham after Neil’s dad. Edy, the now big sister of 22 months, was named after Neil’s mom Edythe. We cried. Neil’s parents were sweet, wonderful people and

Edy is showing all the signs of filling the model of her great-grandmother.

I do not know how a 22-month-old understands things, but the moment she walked into the hospital room, she went over to her brother on Josh’s lap and kissed him. Neil and I had tears in our eyes and kvelled!

They came home Friday night and we spent Shabbos holding onto this beautiful baby (when he wasn’t being fed). Neil and I feel incredibly lucky. There are moments in life that simply cannot be duplicated.

At right: Josh, Edy and Abraham Auerbach



## In My Own Words

## Autumn thoughts

RABBI RACHEL ESSERMAN, EXECUTIVE EDITOR

“Why autumn?” you might be thinking as you open this *Reporter* on December 21, the first day of winter 2018. The poetry anthology I’m currently reading features poems about the four seasons. After reading about spring and summer, I’ve now arrived at autumn. What strikes me about these poems is how melancholy they are. It is easy to understand the poets’ mood when I look at the date their works were written. In the 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries, autumn would have been a difficult time. Just think of life without indoor plumbing, electricity and central heating to realize that autumn signals what comes next: a long, cold, dark winter.

When I was younger, autumn was my favorite season. I loved (and still love) colored leaves: to me, they are far prettier than most flowers (and scentless, which means they don’t clog my sinuses). Fall was also a time of excitement after the slow, dull months of summer. In those

days, the arrival of the fall season meant new books, new movies, new TV shows, new theater, etc. The summer was not only a quieter time, but anything released meant they weren’t expected to do well.

There was also something exciting about school starting again. Yes, I was one of those people who liked school. Learning still excites me, although I can’t imagine myself in a classroom again – at least, not as a student. The excitement increased in college years because that meant being back on campus with my fellow students, some of whom are still my closest friends. Fortunately, these friends were also interested in their studies so fall proved the beginning of a heady, interesting time.

Now autumn is more difficult for me because winters have become harder to bear. In the past, cold weather didn’t bother me nearly as much as it does now. Nothing

stopped me from walking, even during the worst cold and snow: there was actually something wonderful about the coziness of a walk when the world was newly white and clean. Now, due to foot and back problems, I can’t brave that weather and I miss being outside. The melancholy feeling of dusk when evening falls so early used to be easier to dispel with a cup of tea and music. That also doesn’t work as well as it once did.

Yet, as much as fall and winter aren’t as appealing as they used to be, I still can’t imagine living somewhere that didn’t have four seasons. The changes in season keep me alert and awake to the passage of time, something I try to acknowledge and appreciate, even when life is difficult. After all, no one knows how many more seasons are in their future, so enjoying the pleasures of each – even if those pleasures seem few – is something definitely worth pursuing.



**Jewish Federation**  
OF GREATER BINGHAMTON

Suzanne Holwitt, President  
Sima Auerbach, Executive Director

607-724-2332 ~ [www.jfgeb.org](http://www.jfgeb.org)

## The Reporter Editorial Board

Rachel Coker, chairwoman  
Rebecca Goldstein Kahn, Ben Kasper,  
Toby Kohn, Richard Lewis,  
Robert Neuberger, Dora Polachek

## HOW TO REACH THE REPORTER

Mail ~ The Reporter, 500 Clubhouse Rd. Vestal, NY 13850

E-mail ~ [TReporter@aol.com](mailto:TReporter@aol.com) • Fax ~ 607-724-2311

Phone ~ 607-724-2360 or 800-779-7896

Extension#/Department ~ 1. Advertising 2. Business Office  
3. Art Department 4. Circulation 6. Editorial/News

**THE REPORTER**  
Published by the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton  
BINGHAMTON, NY

## OPINIONS

The views expressed in editorials and opinion pieces are those of each author and not necessarily the views of the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton.

## LETTERS

The Reporter welcomes letters on subjects of interest to the Jewish community. All letters must be signed and include a phone number; names may be withheld upon request.

## ADS

The Reporter does not necessarily endorse any advertised products and services. In addition, the paper is not responsible for the kashruth of any advertiser’s product or establishment.

## DEADLINE

Regular weekly deadline is noon, Wednesday, for the following week’s newspaper.

Executive Editor Rabbi Rachel Esserman

Layout Editor Diana Sochor

Assistant Editor Ilene Pinsker

Advertising Bonnie Rozen

Production Coordinator Jenn DePersis

Bookkeeper Kathy Brown

## Proofreaders

Barbara Bank, Eleanor Durfee, Fran Ferentinos,  
Leah Ferentinos, Rebecca Goldstein Kahn,  
Merri Pell-Preus, Heidi Thirer



“The Reporter” (USPS 096-280) is published weekly for \$36 per year by the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton, 500 Clubhouse Road, Vestal, NY 13850-3734. Periodicals Postage Paid at Vestal, NY and at additional mailing offices. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to *The Reporter*, 500 Clubhouse Road, Vestal, NY 13850-3734 or reach us by e-mail at [TREPORTER@AOL.COM](mailto:TREPORTER@AOL.COM).

[www.thereporter.org](http://www.thereporter.org)

# Hanukkah at Chabad

The Light up a Life Toy Drive to benefit children battling cancer raised \$33,555 this year. This was the 10<sup>th</sup> annual drive spearheaded by the Chabad Center, SDT sorority and SAE fraternity at Binghamton University.

A truck came up from New York City to transport the thousands of toys and electronics that will be distributed

to children in New York City area hospitals through the Chai Lifeline organization, which provides a network of services to children with serious illnesses and their families.

In addition to the toy drive and other large events, Chabad held house parties in each dorm, housing community, fraternity/sorority house and in the homes of the Chabad staff.



At left: The committee of students who ran the drive posed with the display of toys and electronics. (Photo by Danielle Kinches)



Cole Tobias, an SAE brother and graduate student who worked on this drive each year he was at Binghamton University, lit the Lego Menorah at the Toy Drive culminating event. (Photo by Danielle Kinches)



BU Vice President for Student Affairs Brian Rose was on hand to extend congratulations to the students on behalf of the university administration. (Photo by Danielle Kinches)

At right: Shiraz Otani and Amanda Heisler, Chabad co-spearheads of the drive, received the citation commending the students for their efforts from the Chai Lifeline representative (not pictured). (Photo by Danielle Kinches)



# Hillel Academy Hanukkah activities



Harold Kohn brought a 3D printer to the Hillel Academy Chanukah party and gave several demonstrations to the students. Arrayed across the table were 3D-printed items. (Photo by Gina Santiago)



Sarah Thomas, pictured on the far left, conducted a science experiment with some of the students at the Hillel Academy Chanukah party. L-r: Shterni Chein, Shira Green, Mushky Chein, Thea Yarkoni and Stella Titus. (Photo by Gina Santiago)



At the Slonim (Sr.) house, the newly wed game was played. Rabbi Aaron and Rivky Slonim did not win.



Hillel Academy students did a model Shabbat Chanukah kiddush and meal. Clockwise from top: Micah Yarkoni, Zoe Friedman, Shterni Chein, Phillip Foster and Moussia Slonim. (Photo by Rabbi Moshe Shmaryahu)



More students took part in the science experiment at the Hillel Academy Chanukah party. L-r (at front table): Asaf Weiss, Grace Donahue, Zeldia Slonim, Shterni Chein and Uri Einav. (Photo by Gina Santiago)



In addition to scores of classes offered at Chabad, Judaic learning takes the form of one team-based game held each semester. Pictured are the participants in "Jeopardy."



Some of the students played "Jewish Jeopardy" at the Hillel Academy Chanukah party. (Photo by Gina Santiago)



Students ate donuts and other treats at the Hillel Academy Chanukah party. (Photo by Gina Santiago)



## Experience euPAWria

**Your local holistic pet center**

The area's best selection of frozen and freeze-dried raw dog and cat food... providing healthy foods, treats (even some kosher) and supplements for local pets since 2013. Your home for Holistic Health Extension, a NY product made with love for dogs and cats.

**10% off with this ad**

Second location - 301 Main Street, Vestal  
Original location - 1114 State Route 434, Owego (607) 444-3041

Owned and operated by Brett and Abbi Foreman

Advertise in the next

## Business Profiles

If you are the owner or manager of a business, *The Reporter* has a unique advertising opportunity for you! **BUSINESS PROFILES**, the highlight of our January 11 issue, will feature an advertising section of display ads in a variety of sizes to suit your copy. Plus, for all ads over 4 col. inches, we will include a FREE mini feature using the information you provide.

**January 11 issue**  
**Ad Deadline: January 3**

To advertise, contact Bonnie Rozen at 724-2360, ext. 244 or [bonnie@thereportergroup.org](mailto:bonnie@thereportergroup.org)



**THE REPORTER**  
Published by the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton

We have a place set just for you... and your ad!

**THE REPORTER**  
Published by the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton

For information, contact Bonnie Rozen at 724-2360, ext. 244 or [bonnie@thereportergroup.org](mailto:bonnie@thereportergroup.org).

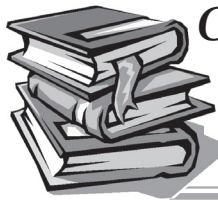
## Celebrate the Simcha!

Engagements • Weddings • Births • Birthdays  
Graduations • Moves • Promotions • Retirements  
Anniversaries • and much more!

If you can celebrate it, we can make an ad for you!

For information or to place your simcha, contact Bonnie Rozen at 724-2360, ext. 244 or [bonnie@thereportergroup.org](mailto:bonnie@thereportergroup.org)

**THE REPORTER**  
Published by the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton



Off the Shelf

# Mining the Talmud for Jewish values

RABBI RACHEL ESSERMAN

What is the central study text for the Jewish community? According to Rabbi Amy Scheinerman, most modern, liberal Jews focus on the Tanach, also known as the Written Torah. However, over the centuries, the traditional Jewish study text has been the Talmud, the Oral Torah. That work is considered to be the foundation text of rabbinic Judaism, which is what most Jews have practiced since the destruction of the Second Temple in Jerusalem. In her books, “The Talmud of Relationships, Volume 1: God, Self, and Family” and “The Talmud of Relationships, Volume 2: The Jewish Community and Beyond” (both published by The Jewish Publication Society), Scheinerman seeks to teach value-based Judaism through a talmudic lens.

Although Scheinerman offers a basic review of the history and traditions of the Talmud, the main focus of her work is showing how talmudic stories offer ethical and practical suggestions for bettering our relationships. She notes that she selected these particular stories because “they are marvelous stories in and of themselves and because they offer us a lens through which to examine pressing concerns in our lives and issues of greater importance in our world.”

Scheinerman opens each chapter by explaining why she thinks each particular text is important. She then places the text in a broader context before exploring the moral and theological questions it raises. Then she analyses the specific text in English translation before offering questions for readers to ponder about how the text relates to contemporary moral and ethical dilemmas. Each chapter concludes with a summary that places the greater discussions into perspective.

Each volume is divided into two sections. The first volume looks at “The Core: Relationships with God and Self” – which includes stories about how to control anger, understand suffering and approach prayer – and “First Sphere: Family Relationships,” which explores our relationships to our parents and sexuality, along with the difficulty of balancing family and study. The second volume expands this focus outward: “Second Sphere: Relationships within the Jewish community” speaks to self-control, human dignity and consensus within a community, while the “Third Sphere: Relationships in the Larger World” focuses on the land of Israel versus the Diaspora, in addition to exploring a community’s responsibility toward its poorer members.

The best way to understand Scheinerman’s approach is to look at a particular chapter. “Respecting Human Dignity” speaks to leadership styles and opens with a general philosophical discussion of what leadership and dignity mean in western culture, before offering ideas about them from several rabbinic sources. The talmudic story under discussion tells of a conflict between two rabbis – Rabban Gamliel and R. Yehoshua – who disagree about whether or not the evening prayer service (*Maariv*) is optional or obligatory. Scheinerman offers two different types of background about the issue. The first places the debate in the context of Jewish history: the time period is after the destruction of the Second Temple, when the ancient rabbis were trying to bring their version of Judaism to the populace. Scheinerman also looks at the history of the two men, who had battled before, something that makes it easier to understand their reactions to what occurred during this debate. The story continues with one of the rabbis

disrespecting the other, an action that led to a change of leadership and the acceptance of a large number of new students. Scheinerman outlines the story with enough detail and explanation (something too long to do in this review) in a way readers can easily understand.

However, Scheinerman is interested in more than retelling the story. She reflects on what happens when power struggles and jealousy threaten the rabbinic community, saying that finding a way to treat everyone with an appropriate level of respect is not easy. Scheinerman also wants readers to think about the meaning behind the men’s reactions and apply the text’s ideas to their own lives. For example, in the “Continuing the Conversation” section, she questions the nature of dignity, whether leaders should inherit their positions or receive them by merit, and what it means to treat people with dignity. Scheinerman ends by noting “balancing power and authority with respecting others’ dignity, especially under adverse conditions, can be challenging. Yet, time and again the Rabbis emphasize the fundamental importance of promoting and protecting human dignity in all we do. Dignity is a divine endowment, they explain, and respecting it is our human obligation.”

Both volumes of “The Talmud of Relationships” are well written. Readers do not need any previous experience with the talmudic text since Scheinerman does an excellent job explaining its history and meaning in clear, easy-to-read prose. Her work manages to combine religious and scholarly understanding of the text in ways that will appeal to those unfamiliar with the Talmud. The volumes can be studied on one’s own, although they would also make a perfect text for a synagogue adult education class.

## In Jerusalem, a fusion of food and fashion

By Maayan Jaffe-Hoffman

(JNS) – It was a fusion of food and fashion in November at the Israel Museum in Jerusalem, when Israeli chef Assaf Granit joined with curators of the museum’s “Fashion Statements” exhibition for “70 Years of Israeli Food and Fashion.” The November 15 event used color and cuisine to tell the story of seven decades of Israeli culture.

The evening was part of the urban culinary festival “OpenRestaurants,” which ran in Jerusalem from November 13-18. OpenRestaurants combines the cities aromas, sounds, tastes and colors, and tries to reveal its various cultures and diversity through local and leading cultural institutions, famous chefs, raw material manufacturers, first-class restaurants and local culinary celebrities.

Granit, who was born and raised in Jerusalem, said he



Assaf Granit and Noga Eliash-Zalminovich presented at “70 Years of Israeli Food and Fashion” on November 15. (Photo by Maayan Jaffe-Hoffman)

was not sure what food and fashion had in common when he started this project, but it quickly became apparent to him that not only are they connected on the basic level – “these are simple, basic things that people need” – but on a deeper level, as well.

“Almost the same motions and processes were happening at the same time in the culinary world of the country as in the fashion world,” said Granit. “Whether it was a time of depression or a time of building the country, and everyone working together toward the same goals, you see it in our food and our dress.”

“Food and fashion talk to culture,” said “Fashion Statements” curator Noga Eliash-Zalminovich. She collaborated with curators Daisy Raccach-Djivre and Efrat Assaf-Shapira. See “Fusion” on page 7

# LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY UNDER NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW**

- The name of the limited liability company (“LLC”) is SSE3, LLC
- The date of filing of the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State is November 13, 2018.
- The County within the State of New York in which the principal office of the LLC is located is Broome.
- 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: PO Box 5721, Endicott, NY 13763.
- The character or purpose of the business of the LLC is any purpose allowed by law.

Notice of Formation of LGT Plaza Drive, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/01/18. Office location: Broome County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 450 Plaza Dr., Vestal, NY 13850. Purpose: any lawful activities.

Notice of Formation of Broken Arrow Farms, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/01/18. Office location: Broome County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail

process to: 109 East Cherry Rd., Quakertown, PA 18951. Purpose: any lawful activities.

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY:** The name of the limited liability company is: 45 Pumphouse Rd LLC (the “Company”). The date of filing of the Application of Authority of the Company with the Secretary of State was November 6, 2018. The county in which the principal place of business of the Company shall be located is Broome County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the Company upon whom process against it may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company, to the LLC, 23 Overlook Avenue, Cliffside Park, NJ 07010. The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful business purpose.

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Name: Minaxi Patel Family Company, LLC, Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/2/18. Office location: Broome County. SSNY designated LLC agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: LLC, Attn: John G. Dowd, PO Box 1905, Binghamton, NY 13902. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. Date of dissolution: None.

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY UNDER NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW**

- The name of the limited liability company (“LLC”) is Junk-N-Java LLC.
- The date of filing of the Articles

of Organization with the Secretary of State is December 3, 2018.

- The County within the State of New York in which the principal office of the LLC is located is Broome.
- 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: 136 East Service Road, Suite 301, Binghamton, NY 13901.
- The character or purpose of the business of the LLC is any purpose allowed by law.

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY:** The name of the limited liability company is: 2 Lane Xpress, LLC (the “Company”). The date of filing of the Articles of Organization of the Company with the Secretary of State was December 4, 2018. The county in which the principal place of business of the Company shall be located is Broome County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the Company upon whom

To place a legal notice, contact Bonnie at 724-2360, ext. 244 or [bonnie@thereporter.org](mailto:bonnie@thereporter.org)

process against it may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company, to Hinman, Howard & Kattell, LLP, Attn: Ryan M. Mead, 80 Exchange Street, Suite 700, Binghamton, NY 13901. The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful business purpose.

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY UNDER NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW**

- The name of the limited liability company (“LLC”) is Bone Creek Farm, LLC.
- The date of filing of the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State is December 4, 2018.
- The County within the State of New York in which the principal office of the LLC is located is Broome.
- 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: 231 Shaver Hill Road, Deposit, NY 13754.
- The character or purpose of the business of the LLC is any purpose allowed by law.

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY:** The name of the limited liability company is: Lucky 516, LLC (the “Company”). The date of filing of the Articles

of Organization of the Company with the Secretary of State was December 10, 2018. The county in which the principal place of business of the Company shall be located is Broome County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the Company upon whom process against it may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company, to Lucky 516, LLC, 516 Hooper Road, Endwell, NY 13760. The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful business purpose.

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY:** The name of the limited liability company is: Brink Street, LLC (the “Company”). The date of filing of the Articles of Organization of the Company with the Secretary of State was December 11, 2018. The county in which the principal place of business of the Company shall be located is Broome County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the Company upon whom process against it may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company, to Richard D. Lang, 430 Broome Corporate Parkway, Conklin, NY 13870. The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful business purpose.

Notice of Formation of Sayarot, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/02/18. Office location: Broome County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 22 Grand Blvd., Apt. 2L, Binghamton, NY 13905. Purpose: any lawful activities.

**ATTENTION ATTORNEYS**



fulfills the requirement of “newspapers of general circulation”.

Very reasonable rates and a broad circulation makes **The Reporter** a great choice for your legal advertising!

- PARTNERSHIP NOTICES
- SURROGATE’S CITATIONS
- CHANGES OF NAME
- BANKRUPTCY NOTICES
- TRUSTEE SALES
- AUCTION SALES
- FOUNDATION SALES
- MORTGAGES
- FORECLOSURES

Place Your Legal Advertising in



To place your ad, contact Bonnie Rozen at 724-2360, ext. 244 or [bonnie@thereporter.org](mailto:bonnie@thereporter.org).

[www.thereporter.org](http://www.thereporter.org)

# The Netherlands Foreign Ministry wants Jews to criticize Israel

By Cnaan Liphshiz

AMSTERDAM (JTA) – The Dutch Foreign Ministry officially is urging Jews, no matter where they are, to speak out against Israel’s presence in the West Bank.

An official ministry document listing as an objective actions that “encourage Diaspora Jewish communities to voice their opposition to the occupation” appeared in a report published earlier this year on Dutch funding for the Breaking the Silence group. It’s an unusual statement for European governments offering funding for organizations that they say are promoting peace or coexistence between Israel and the Palestinians. Breaking the Silence is a group of Israeli combat veterans who oppose the occupation.

Sigrid Kaag, the Netherlands’ minister for foreign trade and development cooperation, once worked for UNRWA, the United Nations agency that provides assistance to Palestinians, and is the wife of a former Palestinian Authority diplomat. Her ministry pledged \$218,000 to Breaking the Silence in its 2018 budget.

Separately, a Dutch pro-Israel group said that the previous Dutch envoy to Ramallah approved subsidies for an anti-Israel organization when his son was working there.

The report on Breaking the Silence included the reference to Diaspora communities under the rubric “Goal 3: To increase opposition in the international arena to Israel’s prolonged occupation of the OPT based on global shared values.” OPT stands for “occupied Palestinian Territories.”

NGO Monitor, a Jerusalem-based watchdog group that focuses on funding for Israeli and Palestinian groups, criticized the ministry’s “intruding on Israel-Diaspora relations,

on one of the most sensitive issues,” as the group’s founder, Gerald Steinberg, termed it in a statement on November 27.

An NGO Monitor spokesperson said it was the first time the group has seen an explicit reference to internal relations between Jewish communities on an official EU document.

Chris Bakker, a spokesperson for Kaag, declined to answer JTA’s questions on the document, including on whether the objectives it specified belonged to his office or to Breaking the Silence.

Also on November 27, the Center for Information and Documentation on Israel, or CIDI, said on its website that it has information that Peter Mollema, the previous representative for the Netherlands in the Palestinian Territories, approved subsidies for the Al-Mazen group in 2016, when his son was working there as an intern. CIDI called it a “conflict of interest.” Al-Mazen has called Israel’s policy “apartheid” and has accused it of “ethnic cleansing.” It has mounted multiple lawsuits against Israel and has been a supporter of the boycott campaign since 2006.

Bakker, the ministry spokesperson, did not immediately reply to JTA’s request for a comment on CIDI’s claims.

# TC religious school held consecration



Three children were consecrated as new students in Temple Concord’s Religious School on December 8. L-r: Lee Foreman, Shayna Foreman and Jonah Lyons participated in the ceremony, which was held on Shabbat Hanukkah.



## Mailbox Shorts

### Chagall, Lissitzky and Malevich exhibit

The Jewish Museum in New York City is holding the exhibit “Chagall, Lissitzky, Malevich: The Russian Avant-Garde in Vitebsk, 1918-1922” through January 6. The year 2018 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Chagall’s appointment as fine arts commissioner for the Vitebsk region, a position that enabled him to carry out his idea of creating a revolutionary art school in his city, open to everyone, free of charge and with no age restrictions. The People’s Art School, founded by Chagall in 1918, was considered the perfect embodiment of Bolshevik values. El Lissitzky and Kazimir Malevich, leading exponents of the Russian avant-garde, were two of the artists invited to teach at the school. The exhibit traces the post-revolutionary years when the history of art was shaped in Vitebsk, far from Russia’s main cities. Through some 120 works and documents loaned by museums in Vitebsk and Minsk and American and European collections, it presents the artistic output of Chagall, Lissitzky and Malevich, as well as works by students and teachers of the Vitebsk school.

For more information, visit <https://thejewishmuseum.org/> or contact the museum at [info@thejm.org](mailto:info@thejm.org) or 212-423-3200.

## Community Calendar

The Community Calendar can be found on the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton’s website, [www.jfgeb.org](http://www.jfgeb.org), by clicking on “calendar.” Updates or additions of events for the calendar can be made by contacting the Federation through its website (click on “calendar” and then “click here to request a change to the calendar”) or by calling 724-2332.

## Reunion . . . Continued from page 2

with which I began to be that new person, a cast member and a member of a newly bonded club. Wonderful, for sure.

But the essence of the reunion for me was more than about the show. It was about human connections and community. I find myself, as I’ve mentioned before in these “JFS Notes” columns, craving for kindness and unity, things that are so sorely lacking in our present society. Coming together with people of all ages, backgrounds, ideas and experiences was stimulating and fulfilling. Makes me want more.

And, it was about learning that one of the Mah Jongg bubbes was celebrating her 86<sup>th</sup> birthday. Imagine, at that age, reaching out to attend the open call at the Forum and going on to be an extra in an Emmy Award winning TV show. Such a fantastic role model of dignity, enthusiasm and spirit.

I aspire to be that kind of role model for my grandkids. I never really considered the significance of that too much before, and the importance of it. I hope that they watch me, listen to the tales I share with them about my adventures and see that it is worth it to push beyond their self-doubts and fears to venture out onto their own journeys.



**Howard Hanna**  
Real Estate Services



**SUZANNE L. KRAUSE**  
Licensed Real Estate Broker

Cell: 607.760.3366  
Office: 607.772.1177  
Fax: 607.772.2435  
[suekrause@howardhanna.com](mailto:suekrause@howardhanna.com)  
[howardhanna.com](http://howardhanna.com)



**SUNSET**  
MEMORIAL  
SERVICES  
LLC

**(607)692-3900**  
2659 E. Main St., Whitney Point, NY 13862  
*Jim Shara, owner/manager - serving our area for over 25 years*

Cremation & Traditional Funeral Options  
Monuments - Handicap Accessible  
“There’s No Comparison”  
Facilities • Staff • Prices

[www.SUNSETMEMORIALSERVICES.com](http://www.SUNSETMEMORIALSERVICES.com)

**To advertise, contact Bonnie Rozen**  
at 724-2360, ext. 244 or  
[bonnie@thereportergroup.org](mailto:bonnie@thereportergroup.org)



Published by the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton

**ERNEST H. PARSONS**  
**FUNERAL HOME**  
*Faithfully Serving Broome County Since 1928*



**PRE-ARRANGEMENTS**  
**AND PRE-FUNDING AVAILABLE**  
**Joseph Fritsch**  
Managing Director

71 Main St., Binghamton, NY 13905  
Phone 607-724-1336  
Fax 800-948-5844

[parsonsfuneral@yahoo.com](mailto:parsonsfuneral@yahoo.com)  
[www.ParsonsFuneral.com](http://www.ParsonsFuneral.com)

**HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE**

**HOPLER & ESCHBACH**  
**FUNERAL HOME**  
“A new family tradition”

Personal Service  
Professionalism  
Experience You Can Trust

COMPARE OUR PRICES  
*We charge far less than other area funeral homes*

Kurt M. Eschbach, Funeral Director  
483 Chenango Street Binghamton  
607-722-4023  
[www.HEfuneralhome.com](http://www.HEfuneralhome.com)

*Greater Binghamton’s*  
**Preferred Electrical Contractor**



**FREE ESTIMATES**  
**GUARANTEED WORK**  
**24 HOUR**  
**EMERGENCY SERVICE**

**729-3545**

Service Upgrades  
Panel Change-outs  
Heating Circuits  
Indoor & Outdoor Lighting  
Appliance Circuits & Outlets  
Generator Installation  
Data & Phone Cabling  
Audio \* Video \* Security

**FREE ESTIMATES**  
**GUARANTEED WORK**  
**EMERGENCY SERVICE**

**WINTER IS HERE!**  
Generator Installation  
Roof De-Icer \* Heat Circuits  
Heat Tape \* Outdoor Outlets

**10% OFF**  
with this ad. Cannot be combined with other offers.  
Valid for Residential Service only.  
Expires 2/28/2019

429 Commerce Road  
Vestal, New York 13850  
[blanding-electric.com](http://blanding-electric.com)




**PATIENTS of Dr. Marianne Davis**  
**at Women’s OB/GYN Associates**

It has been my pleasure to take care of my patients for the last six years. **However, my last day in the office at Women’s OB/GYN will be Friday, November 30, 2018.**

I have taken a new position in the area in a non-office based job that will allow me to spend more time with my family. In order to ensure a seamless transition, Dr. Carol Miller and her nurse practitioners are happy to assume your care.

If you are pregnant and are currently scheduled for OB care, your OB appointments will be transferred automatically to Dr. Carol Miller’s schedule effective Monday, December 3, 2018.

**Should you have any questions regarding this transition, please feel free to call the office at 607.754.9870**

**Women’s OB/GYN Associates**  
401 Main Street, 1st Fl. • Johnson City, NY 13790  
607.754.9870 • [www.womensobgynassociates.com](http://www.womensobgynassociates.com)



## Weekly Parasha

Vayichi, Genesis 47:28-0:26

# Separation from the Holy Land

RABBI AARON SLONIM, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CHABAD OF BINGHAMTON

*Parasha* Vayichi begins with our patriarch Jacob putting his affairs in order before his demise. Jacob calls for his son Joseph, the second most powerful individual in Egypt, and extracts a promise that after his death he be carried out of Egypt and laid to rest with his fathers in Israel. Although Joseph indicates that he will do as his father requests, Jacob is not satisfied until Joseph takes an oath in which he reiterates his commitment. Likewise, on his deathbed, Jacob speaks to Joseph and his grandsons Menashe and Ephraim concerning their inheritance of the land of Israel. Clearly, Jacob is very focused on his connection with the land and the reader of these verses cannot help but remember the words of God to Jacob just before his descent to Egypt: "I am the Almighty God of your father. Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt, for there

I will make you into a great nation. I will go down with you to Egypt, and I will surely bring you up..." (46:3-4) In his classic commentary, Rashi interprets these words as God's promise to Jacob that he would be buried in the Land of Israel. If this is so, what reason was there for the apparent anxiety of Jacob concerning this matter as evidenced above? Was his last exchange with Joseph, and then his grandsons (both of whom were born in Egypt), an allusion to something more?

I believe that the biblical recounting of Jacob's exchange with Joseph clarifies and qualifies the very first verse of this *parasha* in which the Torah tells us that Jacob lived in Egypt for 17 years. Seventeen is a significant number, our sages taught, because it is the Gematria, numerical value, of the Hebrew word *tov*, good. We know Jacob did

not want to descend to Egypt at all, so how could his years there have been good?

With Jacob's exhortation to Joseph and his sons he sought to underscore why and how it was that he came to live in Egypt at all. He wanted to impress upon them that Egypt was a necessary but temporary stepping stone toward "going up and going home." Jacob wanted his children and grandchildren and their children never to forget that their forefather had come to Egypt upon the command and explicit promise of God that the descent was for the purpose of ascent. Only with this perspective could Jacob and his descendants live in Egypt. It was not a place for them to settle down and get comfortable. On the contrary, their experience there would be – of necessity – one of strangeness, difficulty and even See "Land" on page 7

## Congregational Notes

### Beth David Synagogue

Affiliation: Orthodox Union  
 Rabbi: Zev Silber  
 Address: 39 Riverside Dr., Binghamton, NY 13905  
 Phone: 722-1793, Rabbi's Office: 722-7514  
 Fax: 722-7121  
 Office hours: Mon. closed; Tues. 10 am-1 pm; Wed. closed; Thurs. 9 am-1 pm; Fri. 10 am-1 pm  
 Beth David e-mail address: bethdavid@stny.rr.com  
 Rabbi's e-mail: rabbisilber@stny.rr.com  
 Website: www.bethdavid.org  
 Facebook: www.facebook.com/bethdavidbinghamton  
 Shabbat Services:  
 Fri., Dec. 21 .....4:20 pm  
 Shabbat, Dec. 22 .....9 am  
 .....Mincha after the kiddush  
 ..... Maariv 5:40 pm  
 Weekday Services:  
 Mornings:  
 Sun., Dec. 23 .....8:30 am  
 Mon., Dec. 24 .....7 am  
 Tues., Dec. 25 .....8:30 am  
 Wed.-Fri., Dec. 26-28 .....7 am  
 Evenings:  
 Sun., Dec. 23 .....4:20 pm  
 Mon., Dec. 24 .....7 pm  
 Tues., Dec. 25 .....4:20 pm  
 Wed.-Thurs., Dec. 26-27 .....7 pm  
 Fri., Dec. 28 .....4:25 pm  
 Classes: Rabbi Zev Silber will hold his weekly Talmud class every Tuesday evening after services.

### Rohr Chabad Center

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  
 Website: www.Chabadofbinghamton.com  
 Chabad on the West Side  
 Rabbi: Zalman Chein  
 E-mail: zchein@JewishBU.com  
 Address: 27 Bennet Ave., Binghamton, NY 13905  
 Phone: 722-3252  
 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.  
 Linking Hearts for youngsters with special needs: This program connects Jewish special-needs children and teenagers, ages 5-14, who have mental, physical and/or functional disabilities, with student volunteers who will visit participating youngsters weekly in their homes.  
 To join the mailing list, for up-to-date information on adult education offerings or to arrange for a private tutorial, for details concerning the Judaica shop and resource center, or for assistance through the Piaker Free Loan Society or Raff Maasim Tovim Foundation, call Chabad's office at 797-0015.

### 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.  
 All Friday evening services through January 11 will be held at 6:15 pm.  
 There will be no religious school or Midrashah classes on December 23, 26, 27 and 30.

### Temple Israel

Orientation: Conservative  
 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, December 22, at 9:30 am, services will be led by Rabbi Geoffrey Brown. The Torah portion will be Genesis 47:28-50:26. The haftarah will be I Kings 2:1-12. Ben Kasper and Marcia Hofstein will sponsor the kiddush following services.

On Monday, December 24, Tuesday, December 25, Monday, December 31, and Tuesday, January 1, the temple office will be closed.

On Tuesday, January 8, from 12:30-3:30 pm, there will be a Sisterhood game day at Temple Israel. At 7 pm, there will be an Executive Board meeting.

On Wednesday, January 9, at 7 pm, there will be a Sisterhood meeting.

Those who wish to recite the Mourner's Kaddish during a weekday service can contact Howard Schwartz at schmerz@stny.rr.com or call the temple office one-and-a-half weeks or more before the date to ensure time to make up a minyan.

### Norwich Jewish Center

Orientation: Inclusive  
 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.

### Temple Beth El of Oneonta

Affiliation: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism  
 Rabbi: Molly Karp  
 Address: 83 Chestnut St., Oneonta, NY 13820  
 Mailing address: P.O. Box 383, Oneonta, NY 13820  
 Phone: 607-432-5522  
 Website: www.templebetheloneonta.org  
 E-mail: TBEOneonta@gmail.com  
 Regular service times: visit the temple website for days of services and times  
 Religious School/Education: Religious School, for grades kindergarten through bar/bat mitzvah, meets Sunday mornings. Rabbi Karp conducts services and holds classes in Torah, beginning Hebrew and Maimonides.  
 For the schedule of services, classes and events, see the website.

### 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.

Friday, December 21, light candles ..... 4:17 pm  
 Shabbat ends Saturday, December 22 ..... 5:18 pm  
 Friday, December 28, light candles ..... 4:21 pm  
 Shabbat ends Saturday, December 29 ..... 5:22 pm

### 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, December 21, at 8 pm, there will be Shabbat evening services led by Rachel and Charlotte Coker, followed by an oneg sponsored by Sisterhood.

On Saturday, December 22, at 9:15 am, there will be Torah study and, from 12-4 pm, Hanukkah House will be open. The religious school will be on winter break and there will be no classes or Shabbat service.

On Sunday, December 23, from 12-4 pm, Hanukkah House will be open.

On Tuesday, December 25, from 12-4 pm, Hanukkah House will be open. There will be no Hebrew school.

On Thursday, December 27, Hanukkah House will be open for its last day from 4-7 pm. There will be no Hebrew school and CHOW.

On Friday, December 28, at 8 pm, Shabbat evening services will be led by Rabbi Barbara Goldman-Wartell, followed by an oneg sponsored by Sisterhood.

On Saturday, December 29, at 9:15 am, there will be Torah study. The religious school will be on winter break and there will be no classes or Shabbat service.

### Congregation Tikkun v'Or

Affiliation: Union for Reform Judaism  
 Address: PO Box 3981, Ithaca, NY 14852; 2550 Triphammer Rd. (corner of Triphammer and Burdick Hill), Lansing, NY  
 Phone: 607-256-1471  
 E-mail: info@tikkunvor.org, Website: www.tikkunvor.org  
 Presidents: Miranda Phillips and Shawn Murphy  
 Rabbi: Brian Walt  
 Religious School Director/Admin. Coordinator: Naomi Wilensky  
 Services: Fridays at 7:30 pm unless otherwise noted. Family services and Tot Shabbat once a month at 6:30 pm. Call for weekly schedules.  
 Religious School: Preschool through seventh-grade classes meet on Sunday mornings. Sixth-grade Hebrew and seventh-grade b'nai mitzvah classes meet on Wednesday afternoons.  
 Adult Ed: Mini courses throughout the year. Adult Hebrew offered regularly. Call the office for details.

### Penn-York Jewish Community

President-Treasurer-Secretary: Harvey Chernosky, 570-265-3869  
 B'nai B'rith: William H. Seigel Lodge  
 Purpose: To promote Jewish identity through religious, cultural, educational and social activities in the Southern Tier of New York and the Northern Tier of Pennsylvania, including Waverly, NY; Sayre, Athens and Towanda, PA, and surrounding communities.

### 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.

**Fusion**.....Continued from page 4

The exhibition was initiated by Tamara Yovel-Jones. Flashback to the first decade of the Jewish state. Then, most of the population wore a sort of “dress code,” according to Eliash-Zalminovich. She was referring to the iconic khaki shorts, “tembel” hat and biblical sandals of Israel in the 1950s. “The clothes were made for labor and industry,” she said. “This frugal fashion was both a necessity and a way of thinking.”

At the same time, there was an embargo on the country, so few foods were being imported. As such, David Ben-Gurion, Israeli founding father and first prime minister, asked the Osem company to manufacture something like rice, which was a staple of so many people’s diets, but non-existent in the fledgling Jewish state. The company created small grains of pasta that looked like rice, and was cheap and easy to make. They called it *pitim*.

“Osem brought this new product to life, and from that day on, every Israeli child eats *pitim* – whether he is Kurdish, Russian, Ethiopian or Moroccan,” said Granit.

Of course, the tastes and textiles of the holy land started even before the country’s official founding, said Eliash-Zalminovich, who spent two years with a team of other fashionistas and researchers working on “Fashion Statements.” The exhibit explores the late 19<sup>th</sup>-century indigenous pre-Zionist fashion, the opposing forces of Europeanism and Orientalism that converged in the early decades of the state, and, finally, the place that Israeli creativity holds on the global fashion scene today.

Eliash-Zalminovich said the first time anyone wrote about Israeli fashion was in 1904. Then, Chemda Ben-Yehuda, the wife of the man who resurrected the Hebrew language, Eliezer Ben-Yehuda, became the country’s first fashion critic. Ben-Yehuda had a column that appeared in the newspaper *Hashkafa* under the pen name Shoshana Levana. The Hebrew word for fashion, *ofna*, is a linguistic innovation of hers. An excerpt from Ben-Yehuda’s first column begins: “Fashion. For the first time in its life



*In the early days of the state of Israel, residents wore clothes that resonated with the pioneering spirit of the time and with the ideology of the youth movements and of the nation’s leaders. Shown here, garments made by ATA. (Photo by Maayan Jaffe-Hoffman)*

fashion will enter the gates of the Hebrew press. It is with fear and genuine anxiety that I write these lines. Who will not mock? Who will not laugh at me? Who will not judge me harshly? And who knows whether I shall not be banned as well?”

In 1937, Dr. Erna Meyer, a German immigrant, published the first Israeli cookbook, “How to Cook in Palestine.” According to Eliash-Zalminovich, in the book, Meyer asks how she can cook in Israel the same way she cooked in Europe. She concludes that she can’t. “It will be pointless, almost futile to take the same recipes and make them in Israel,” Eliash-Zalminovich said. “Rather, she concludes, she will have to reinvent herself and her food in Israel.”

Concurrently, designers were grappling with similar challenges, trying to work with new materials in a new place with a new culture and climate. “In Israel, it is summer eight months of the year. There is a desert climate, and European designers found that the sheep had different colors; there was no pristine black or white, just off-white and off-black,” described Eliash-Zalminovich.

Granit said his own grandmother’s story is this story. She moved to Israel from Poland. The food she cooked came from the Eastern European shtetl. When she arrived in Jerusalem, she found herself in an entirely new world. Her neighbors came from all over and, like herself, received all their early culinary education from their grandmothers.

“This is what is so special about the city of Jerusalem,” he said. “It is the center of the world, and it draws people from all backgrounds and walks of life. While my grandmother was cooking, she was also constantly talking with her neighbors through the windows. The woman next door was born in Morocco and taught her how to use saffron. A woman down the street came from Yemen, and she taught her how to make malawah.”

Granit said that in the last two decades, Israelis have taken their history and culture outside of the Jewish state and are succeeding in the world marketplace, using traditional tastes and textiles with modern interpretations. “Take the keffiyeh, the Arabic fabric used to wrap your head,” he said. “Fashion designers today use that pattern to make dresses and scarves. These modern designs sell in super high-end places outside the country. They are using our local heritage and telling our story, but creating their version or interpretation.”

Similarly, Israeli chefs, including Granit, are using the same techniques. “What we do in India or Paris is we take our old heritage, usually brought to Israel by immigrants, and we elevate it to chef level,” he said. “We use local ingredients and ancient cooking methods in a modern way, and it is not only accepted but well-loved all over the world.”

For example, Granit makes a fish kubaneh. Kubaneh has its roots in Syria and Lebanon. In its original form, it’s made of meat or lamb. Granit leverages the techniques and spices of that staple to create his own interpretation. “The kubaneh is our keffiyeh,” Granit said, noting he learned to cook from his Polish-immigrant grandmother, and by exploring the different tastes and aromas of Jerusalem’s streets – from the stalls in the markets to his grandma’s frying pan.

“Whether in Jerusalem’s Machane Yehuda [open-air] market or London’s Palomar or Paris’s Balagan, each and every of my 11 restaurants have their own personality and story, yet they share this amazing encounter between the streets of Jerusalem, and of the experiences and lessons learned from European culture and fine dining,” he explained.

Granit said fashion and food are great ways to show off the rich and varied culture that is Israel. “From outside, you don’t understand how far and advanced our culture is,” he said. “Mostly, you hear about the conflict. You don’t know we are creating some amazing, cutting-edge things in Israel.”

**Pressure**.....Continued from page 1

denying “animalistic men coming from Ramallah.” He said it was critical to destroy the houses of terrorists and to expel their families as a deterrent to others.

In a barely veiled dig at Israel’s judiciary, long a bugbear of Israel’s right, Education Minister Naftali Bennett, head of the national-religious Jewish Home party, told the settlers that Israel was fighting terror with its “hands tied behind our back because of fake law and fake morality.” Stating that Netanyahu had expressed opposition to expelling the families of terrorists, Bennett, who has repeatedly challenged Netanyahu’s decision to keep the defense portfolio for himself, said that this time “we are not backing down.”

Not everyone agreed with the tenor of the rhetoric, however. Naftali Sand, a resident of Ofra, said that many Arabs in the West Bank were “perfectly civil,” but that it was important to deter those interested in carrying out attacks. Sand noted that the the chants calling for killing Palestinian militants came from the youth, who are often more extreme than their adult counterparts, but grow more moderate as they get older.

This was a sentiment shared by David Ha’ivri, an member of the Samaria Regional Council who did not attend the demonstration. “I share their pain and frustration,” he said of the demonstrators. “Chants shouted at protest rallies are meant to grab attention and vent some rage, but might not always describe the most partial steps that can be taken by the government.”

Some have begun translating their anger into violence, however. In recent days, posters have gone up across the

disputed territories calling for the assassination of Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas. On December 15, settlers outside of Beit El clashed with riot police who were attempting to stop them from stoning Palestinian cars. Two soldiers from the *haredi* Orthodox Netzach Yehuda battalion attempted to intervene and prevent the police from arresting the stone-throwers, leading to blows being exchanged between Israeli forces. Two of the victims of that week’s violence were members of the battalion, which is stationed in the area.

The rising tensions also led to angry words between Samaria Regional Council head Yossi Dagan and opposition politician Tzipi Livni, with Dagan screaming, “Why do you hate me? Why do you hate us? What have we done to you?” at the former foreign minister during a tour of Ofra on December 16.

Meanwhile, the afternoon of December 16, life appeared normal in Beit El, with residents going about their daily lives with little sign of the tension gripping the community. “They want to kill us. We need to build more,” Snir, a local resident (last name withheld on request), told JTA. “We need to build more and to arrange what we have built already so that it will be on firm legal footing.”

Hadassah (last name withheld on request), another resident, disagreed, saying that while she believed building was necessary, it was not a solution to terror. “I’m scared. The government is not doing enough to protect us. They’re scared what the United States, the left and the world will say. Building isn’t the answer,” she said. “We need to kick out the terrorists before they engage in terror. What are we waiting for? We need to be smart and quiet, we don’t need to speak about violence.”

Nearby, at the bus stop outside the community of Givat Asaf where Netzach Yehuda servicemen Yosef Cohen and Yovel Mor Yosef were shot to death the week of December 14, armed soldiers in full combat kit stood behind concrete barriers as hitchhikers stood clustered near a makeshift memorial.

“We worry, but we have to man up,” said Efrat (last name withheld on request), a young woman trying to flag down a ride. “We have to get home. At first I said I won’t stand here, but there is nothing to do.”

The afternoon of December 16, a woman was hospitalized after Palestinian rock-throwers attacked her car in the West Bank, pelting her with stones and broken glass.

**Land**.....Continued from page 6

pain. But he knew and saw the good in it. For it was there that they were meant to grow in ways which they never could had they remained in the Holy Land.

For much of our long and tumultuous history, the Jews, as a people, have been separated from our land. The Jewish experience has, by and large, been an Egypt experience; exile in various forms and permutations. But always there is the promise of God to Jacob: do not be afraid. There is a great destiny, God promises, and it is precisely in your journeys – as strangers in a strange land – that you will achieve true splendor. Those words include assurance that wherever the children of Jacob find themselves, God is with us, and that at the appointed time He will bring us up. We must, however, never lose sight of the paradoxical nature of our journey: even as Jacob lives in Egypt, he lives for Israel – in both its physical and spiritual dimensions – and so it is with his children of all time. We are certainly in this world and have much to accomplish, but we must not allow ourselves to be of this world.

This very moment in Jewish history is difficult, most certainly for our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land, and for all whose hearts are in the East. But our eyes must ever be raised upward and our minds and hearts attuned to God’s promise as passed on from Jacob to his children in this *parasha*: I will give this land to your descendants after you for an everlasting possession.

**Obituaries are accepted  
in *The Reporter***

Regular rates apply.  
To place an obituary, call Bonnie  
at 607-724-2360 x244  
or email [bonnie@thereporter.org](mailto:bonnie@thereporter.org).

**Moving any time soon?  
Or just leaving town for a few months?**

Whether you’re moving across town or across the country, please let *The Reporter* know so you can stay up to date on community news and quickly receive the paper at your new (or temporary) address!  
E-mail [treporter@aol.com](mailto:treporter@aol.com) with “Reporter Address change” in the subject line, or call 607-724-2360, ext. 254, to let *The Reporter* know about your new address.

**Attention Attorneys**

**THE REPORTER**  
Published by the Jewish Federation of Broome County, Inc.

fulfills the requirement of  
“newspapers of general circulation”.  
Very reasonable rates and a broad circulation makes ***The Reporter*** a great choice for legal advertising!

For information or to place your ad, please contact Bonnie Rozen at 724-2360, ext. 244 or [bonnie@thereporter.org](mailto:bonnie@thereporter.org).

# Eye-Catching Classifieds

## NEWS IN BRIEF

From JNS.org

### Netanyahu admits Israeli agents "periodically visit" Iran to monitor nuclear program

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said on Dec. 16 that Israeli agents monitor Iran's nuclear program by visiting the regime "periodically. ... We are fighting all over the world in regards to Iran's nuclear program," he said at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs headquarters in Jerusalem. Without elaborating, he added that "we also visit there periodically ... to 'catch up.'" Earlier this year, Netanyahu gave a presentation regarding Iran lying about its nuclear program, presenting 100,000 documents Israel smuggled out of the Islamic Republic. This development comes as an Iranian group, nicknamed "Charming Kitten," has reportedly hacked into personal emails of U.S. Treasury officials in the aftermath of reimposing sanctions in November on the regime. The hackers also targeted nuclear experts in the United Kingdom. This information was revealed by the U.K.-based cyber-security group Certfa. "Presumably, some of this is about figuring out what is going on with sanctions," Frederick Kagan, a scholar at the American Enterprise Institute, told the Associated Press. "This is a little more worrisome than I would have expected."

### Arabs attack bus on the way to Western Wall in Jerusalem

Israeli police arrested three Palestinians late Dec. 17 for hurling stones at a public bus carrying worshippers to the Western Wall in the Old City of Jerusalem. The suspects fled the scene after causing damage to the bus. No injuries were reported, and law enforcement apprehended the attackers following a search of the area. "We will not allow anyone to harm citizens and escape from the law," the police said in a statement. The suspects will appear in court for a remand hearing. Authorities said that they would prosecute the attackers to the full extent of the law. Jerusalem's Old City houses an Arab Quarter, and is adjacent to the Ras al-Amud and Silwan neighborhoods. These areas are also home to Jewish residents, who report periodic attacks, primarily in the form of firebomb- and rock-throwing.

### Dutch gov't cutting fiscal assistance to P.A.

Holland's parliament passed a binding resolution on Dec. 17 to cut 7 percent of assistance to the Palestinian Authority in 2019. The vote was 94-56. It occurred shortly after Palestinian Media Watch director Itamar Marcus exposed to parliamentarians in the Hague the P.A.'s program to reward terrorists and their families. The cut mirrors the percentage of the P.A.'s budget spent on those payments. It also comes after the latest wave of attacks in Judea and Samaria. "The need for such steps by foreign donors is as relevant as ever as the P.A. just added four new terrorists' families to its growing terror rewards payroll," said PMW senior analyst Nan Zilberdik. "One terrorist shot a pregnant woman, forcing an emergency delivery, but the newborn son died a few days later. ... Another terrorist murdered two of his Israeli co-workers. The other two terrorists were killed while attempting to kill Israelis. The families of the four terrorists will now receive monthly allowances for life," continued Zilberdik. "Hopefully, the Dutch decision will serve as a precedent for other European parliaments." The Netherlands gives more than \$14.8 million annually to UNRWA, the U.N. agency that deals with the Palestinian refugee issue.

### U.N.: Hezbollah tunnels violate Security Council resolution

The United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon has confirmed that the tunnels dug by the Lebanese terror group Hezbollah into Israel violate Security Council resolution 1701. "After further technical investigations conducted independently in accordance with its mandate, UNIFIL at this stage can confirm that two of the tunnels cross the Blue Line. These constitute violations of U.N. Security Council resolution 1701," the peacekeeping force said in a statement. UNIFIL added that the tunnels are a "matter of serious concern" and will continue investigations into them. Furthermore, UNIFIL said that it has "requested the Lebanese authorities to ensure urgent follow-up actions in accordance with the responsibilities of the Government of Lebanon pursuant to resolution 1701." Israeli officials have said the existence of the tunnels is a "serious violation of Resolution 1701 and the state of Israel's sovereignty." U.N. Resolution 1701 required all armed groups except the Lebanese Armed Forces – the official Lebanese military – to remain north of the Litani River following the end of the 2006 Second Lebanese War. In early December, the Israel Defense Forces launched "Operation Northern Shield" to discover and eliminate underground tunnels constructed by Hezbollah from Lebanon to Israel. Israel has so far eliminated four cross-border tunnels belonging to the terrorist group.

### Germany to compensate Holocaust survivors who fled Nazis as kids, 80 years later

Eighty years later, Germany has said that it will compensate Jewish men and women who survived the Holocaust as children – most of whom lost their parents during the Shoah and years of World War II – according to the Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, which negotiates restitution with the German government. The country will pay \$2,800 each to survivors from among the 10,000 who fled the "Kindertransport," which sent children from Germany to Great Britain as part of the latter agreeing to admit an unspecified number of Jewish children as refugees, following the November 1938 German pogrom of Kristallnacht, or "Night of the Broken Glass." With about 1,000 survivors remaining – approximately half of whom are living in Britain – the reimbursement is touted as a "symbolic recognition of their suffering," according to Claims Conference negotiator Greg Schneider. "In almost all the cases, the parents who remained were killed in concentration camps in the Holocaust, and [their children] have [had] tremendous psychological issues," he told the Associated Press. As many as 1.5 million children perished in the Holocaust.

### Report: Russia urges Lebanon to halt Hezbollah tunnels

Russia has reportedly told Lebanon to stop Hezbollah tunnels dug to infiltrate and attack Israel. A message was sent by the Russians to the Lebanese that the tunnels violate U.N. Security Council Resolution 1701, according to London-based *Al-Sharq Al-Awsat* newspaper. The resolution calls for an end to the Israel-Hezbollah conflict. Russia backed Israel's "Operation Northern Shield" to destroy the Hezbollah tunnels, though it warned against violating the resolution. Israel has so far eliminated four cross-border tunnels belonging to the terrorist group.

### Israel to send time capsule in historic mission to the moon

Israel will send a time capsule along with an Israeli spacecraft on the Jewish state's first mission to the moon in 2019. The capsule will consist of the Bible, pictures of Israeli symbols like the flag, Israeli songs, drawings by children and a booklet by a Jewish man about surviving the Holocaust, in addition to other materials. The spacecraft, Beresheet (the Hebrew word for "Genesis"), will launch from Cape Canaveral, FL, in February. The time capsule is expected to remain on the moon indefinitely. SpaceIL and the Israeli Space Agency announced in October a collaboration with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration that will allow SpaceIL to better its capability to monitor and "communicate with the spacecraft before, during and after landing on the moon," according to SpaceIL in a statement. "This is another step on our way to the moon," said SpaceIL CEO Ido Anteby. "Inserting the disks into the spacecraft, which is a real 'time capsule,' indicates the spacecraft's readiness to blast off from the launch site in a few weeks."

### Cleaning Services:

- Real Estate Cleaning
- Passover Cleaning
- Domestic Cleaning
- Office Cleaning
- Commercial Cleaning
- Window Cleaning
- Post-Construction Clean-Up

house cleaning & special projects  
**\$25 per hour**

Gift certificates available!



www.dustbunnies.com  
**(607) 644-8886**

NYS Certified Minority & Women Owned  
Bonded & Insured



When you want it done right call Albrite!  
**(607) 748-2105**

### ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR 607-748-2105

#### Residential & Commercial

- Troubleshooting • Panel Upgrades •
- Outlets • Switches • Generators •
- Indoor/Outdoor Lighting • Electric Heat •
- And ALL Your Electrical Needs! •

Fax: (888) 831-7958  
Email: ksa@albriteelectric.com  
www.albriteelectric.com  
Licensed & Insured

### SUCCESS NETWORK

Success Network is a small business association whose members are exclusive in their category and are organized to assist each other in providing and receiving business leads.

Enjoy a free lunch on us when you become a member!  
For more information or if you are interested in membership, please contact Bonnie Rozen at (607)724-2360, ext. 244.

Businesses helping businesses grow!

www.successnetworkbc.com

### Jennifer Kakusian

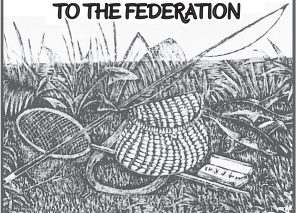
NYS DEC Licensed  
Fishing Guide #5159

- Guide •
- Instructor •
- Fly-Tyer •

422 East Benita Blvd.  
Vestal, NY 13850

607.237.4000  
jkakusian@stny.rr.com

PROCEEDS OF EACH EXPERIENCE WILL BE DONATED TO THE FEDERATION



### Need someone to drive you close to home?

I can drive you to:

- Restaurants
- Doctor Appointments
- Shopping
- Casinos
- Airports Closer to Home
- ?



Bob Howe • 607-427-2534

References provided

### GARY RILEY

I'll drive you or  
I'll deliver your vehicle near or far,  
pets welcome!

REFERENCES AVAILABLE  
607-760-0530  
GRILES45@GMAIL.COM

### YOUR HEATING & PLUMBING SPECIALISTS

## BAKER'S PLUMBING & HEATING

We Also Do Natural Gas Conversions & All Plumbing Work

Free Estimates • Fully Insured • Residential & Commercial



We Install, Service & Repair...

Furnaces • Air Conditioners

Water Heaters • Gas Fireplaces

SERVING BROOME & TIOGA COUNTIES

pbaker927@yahoo.com

754-6376



### SUE E. RAPP, LCSW-R

## Counseling for teens & adults

All major insurances accepted

300 Main Street  
Vestal, NY 13850

srapp@stny.rr.com  
607-743-4536

### COOK'S TREE SERVICE

#### RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL



Professionals In All Phases Of:

- Tree Care • Tree Stump Removal
- Trimming Trees Shrubs & Tall Hedges
- Tree Insect & Disease Identification & Treatment

WWW.COOKSTREESERVICE.NET

607-748-2347

4 Pumphouse Rd Vestal, N.Y.



## YOUR AD COULD BE HERE!

For information on advertising, contact

Bonnie Rozen at  
724-2360, ext. 244  
or bonnie@thereportergroup.org



Published by the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton