



Editorial

Congratulations to the members of the Executive Committee on their recent election to office. We thank them for volunteering serve on the Committee, and wish them well in their endeavours for the Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation.

Some have quite recently become members of BHC and it is pleasing that, for them, a move to Bournemouth does not mean retirement from communal life. It is also pleasing that many other newcomers to the town have become actively involved in other aspects of this community, which contributes to producing a vitality for the benefit of all.

We wish Rabbi and Rebbetzen Jesner, Reverend and Mrs Sklan and all the Community a Happy and Kosher Pesach.

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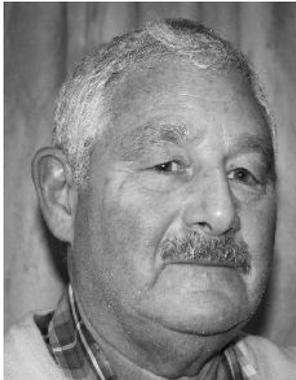
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A PESACH MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

*“ On the windswept heights of Mount Gerizim
the ancient Pesach customs live “*



For millions of people across the world, Pesach has become a family oriented festival a time for many of eating too many Matzos' with lashings of butter and jam.

However, for the Samaritan community, most of whom are split between Mount Gerizim on the West Bank overlooking the City of Nablus (Shechem) and Holon just outside Tel Aviv, Pesach is a much more dramatic and bloody affair.

The Samaritans, whose name is probably better known to us from the Biblical parable of the man who helped a beaten traveller, consider themselves to be practising the ancient rituals as were set down in the Torah and carried out by Moses.

As a result, instead of a Seder Night "Seder Plate" symbolising the Jewish people's escape from slavery in Egypt, the Samaritans slaughter sheep at a specially built compound on Mount Gerizim and roast the meat in underground pits wrapped in straw and covered in sand to keep in the heat. The sacrificial portions of each animal are burnt on the altar and the cooked meat is distributed to all members of the community, along with Matza and bitter herbs, to eat. Any food that remains after the Seder meal is burnt.

Samaritans reject the Jewish, Christian, Islamic focus on Jerusalem. Their ritual takes place on the windswept heights of Mount Gerizim which the Samaritans believe was the true site chosen by G-d for the Temple.

These ancient customs came close to dying out, when, at the turn of the nineteenth century the Samaritan community had dwindled alarmingly down from almost one million to the thousands, and is today to just under a thousand souls.

I had the good fortune of visiting the Samaritan community on Mount Gerizim some 2 years ago and had the honour of meeting their High Priest, who wears his white robes every day, and being given a personal tour of their Shul, the town, including the Pesach Pits and being shown of their 4,500 year old Sefer Torah .

For those of you who visit Israel on a regular basis, I urge you make a visit to Mount Gerizim and meet with the Samaritans before their community disappears.

As we begin the new Shul year, I would like to congratulate Ivor Weintroub in becoming our new Trustee. Ivor who was recently appointed an Honorary Life President, now becomes our third Trustee along with

Geoffrey Feld and Stephen H. White. Ivor, may I along with the community wish you well in your new position.

I welcome into Office for the coming year, the new Executive Committee and I am pleased to see some "new faces" on the Committee. For those members serving the community for the first time I thank you for coming forward. To those members who are returning or who served last year, thank you for continuing to serve the community.

It is many years since the Shul has had two full time Wardens and I welcome the commitment shown by Richard Saunders in becoming our Junior Warden. I also wish him success and hopes he finds his new position easier than climbing to Everest Base Camp! I wish to thank Tony Nairn and Adrian Levy for their sterling effort in covering the position of "part time" Warden over the past years, thank you both.

To our Vice President Mahir, thank you and your dear wife Anne for your support in the past year. It is something I really appreciate.

Security is an ongoing concern and I wish to thank Melvyn and his dedicated team for their time and effort in keeping us safe whilst we pray. Friends I urge you all to listen carefully to their important advice this coming Yom Tov. It's for your safety and security.

As many of you will know, the Mayor elect of Bournemouth for the coming year 2016 -2017 will be a member of our community, Councillor Lawrence Williams. He will be the first Mayor of Bournemouth who has also been President of Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation. I know that since being a member of Bournemouth Council Lawrence has devoted many hours in helping to improve the Leisure and Tourism facilities in the town. We look forward to continue seeing Lawrence and his wife Elaine in Shul. Lawrence, we all wish you a very successful year in office.

It's now almost 3 months since Donald Trump was installed as the President of the United States and amongst his first visitors to the Oval Office have been our Prime Minister, Mrs May, and the Israeli Prime Minister, Benjamin Netanyahu. Even though his press has been bad, up until now he seems to be meeting the right people

Once again, I will not be in Shul with you for Pesach as I have a commitment to cater Pesach for some 200 people in an hotel not too far away. I may not be with you in body but my thoughts will be with Rabbi Jesner and Reverend Sklan and the Community.

I, with my wife Judy, would like to take this opportunity of wishing you all a Pesach Sameach.

BRIAN G. LASSMAN
PRESIDENT.

PESACH MESSAGE FROM RABBI JESNER

Jewish Destiny

Someone remarked to me recently that he did not see or feel how anything new could be discussed at his Seder table – everything that could have been said and analysed had been said over all the past decades of his commemorating Pesach. I told him that I thought he had too narrow a view concerning the commemoration of Pesach.

The broad human and particularly Jewish issues of bondage, freedom, individual and national purpose and destiny, renew themselves in our lives on an almost daily basis. Recently a young Rabbi had a discussion with me about the enslavement of the present younger generation to texting and to their smart phones. He pointed out to me that in spite of all bans, filters and other methods meant to free one from the grip and thrall of these devices, their constant use has become almost impulsive and obsessive, certainly amongst the student generation here in the UK and, I am certain that this is true as well regarding the student population in the rest of the current Western world.

Slavery takes on different forms and disguises. There is a great difference between slavery and work. Slavery is a state of compulsion and obsession that stunts the creativity of the human mind and soul and leads to disenchantment, boredom and eventual physical, moral, and mental deterioration.

One of the great attributes of the holiday of Pesach is that it allows us a new and fresh view of things. By cleaning out the chametz of our homes and souls we open ourselves up to new vistas and fresh challenges that can inspire us and deliver us to a higher level of purpose and accomplishment.

The Seder allows for a family discussion of issues, since the Haggadah itself raises almost all possible human issues – family, tradition, Torah, the land of Israel, the purpose of Jewish life and of an individual's existence, the recognition and understanding of evil, and the ultimate human necessity for reliance on faith in the Creator.

These issues are extremely relevant in today's world and affect every family and home. For most of the year we have little time or inclination to dwell on these matters, for the distractions and obligation of life are many and omnipresent. But on this night of the Seder there is time, mental capacity and psychological freedom to engage with these issues. One of my colleagues told me that when he was ten or eleven years old, a great Rabbi was a guest for the Pesach Seder at his home.

The great Rabbi talked to him, taught him melodies to sing, gave him advice for life and instilled in him an appreciation for the depth of Jewish tradition. He often told me that this Seder experience influenced him greatly



and was a defining moment in his life. He did not attend a Jewish school and was a lonely Orthodox, Sabbath-observing child in the midst of a completely non-observant Jewish group of friends and fellow public-school students.

He told me that the Pesach Seder experience that year fortified him for the rest of his years in high school and college and gave him an enormous gift of self-confidence, identity and Jewish pride. I think that that is exactly what the Pesach Seder should accomplish for all of us.

The Rabbis of old enjoined us that the more we speak about the Exodus from Egypt, the more praiseworthy we become. This is in line with the further statement in the Haggadah that: "in every generation one must be able to see one's own self present and participating in the Exodus from Egypt".

The Seder is meant to make the Exodus from Egypt relevant to everyone sitting at the Seder table, even today more than three thousand years later. It transports us back in time, as the very same rituals bring the past to bear upon our current situations and challenges. The Exodus from Egypt is an ongoing story and not merely a one-time commemoration of a past event. That is the secret of the strength of the Seder experience and of its fresh new quality year in and year out.

There is always something new to be said and expressed at the Seder table. And it is this constant renewal of idea and traditions that gives Pesach its unique ability to represent true freedom and psychological, spiritual and mental liberty. Those ancient rituals provide the tools for dealing with the relevant and seemingly modern problems that face us. The Seder night should be treasured, appreciated and loved.

I would like to conclude by wishing the Executive, Reverend and Mrs Barry Sklan, all in the Office team and the whole Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation, a Chag Kasher V'Sameach from Pamela and myself.

RABBI ADRIAN JESNER

PESACH THOUGHTS FROM REVEREND BARRY SKLAN



The taste of the maror and charoset are imprinted in my sensory memory, along with the smell of the wine and the eggs.

That unique crunchy feel of the first seder matzah between my tongue and teeth.

The sound of the familiar tunes and the voices of my family. The sights—the candles, the tablecloth, the special dishes, the Seder plate, the family gathered around the table. All the senses are engaged. My subconscious and conscious are focused on the ritual commemoration of this historical experience.

This is how Jewish group memory gets transmitted from generation to generation.

This is why we have survived for over three thousand years and have kept up the journey several times around the world and back to our homeland in living memory.

In every generation each person should see himself or herself as if he or she went out from Egypt.

Storyline is the key.

Who we are as individuals is captured in the story we tell ourselves and others about our lives - where we were born, into what family, what life choices we made, what we have accomplished. The same is true of ourselves as a people, as collective Jewry. The amazing thing is, that we have taken on this group story, this group memory, as our own, and have therefore been able to keep the group and its story alive for millennia.

The sources of the story are centered on our religious calendar observances—Shabbatot and yom tovim, but are not limited to them.

There is a difference between reality, past history and personal history. I can learn about the histories of the French, the Russians, the Chinese, and the Australians out of curiosity and even identify in part with some of the characters temporarily while I am learning the material. But, when I study about the Jewish past, I identify wholly and permanently with it. It is mine.

It is me. It is us.

The historical consciousness is also the basis of our Jewish moral consciousness. We identify with the oppressed because we were slaves and strangers in the land of Egypt. We are personally involved in the task of Jewish national redemption in our own time, because it is part of the ongoing Jewish story that began with our Exodus from Egypt.

We are what we eat. We eat the bread of affliction and drink the four cups of wine. It enters into us and becomes us. That is what makes us Jewish and keeps us Jewish.

Angela joins me in wishing our family, Rabbi and Rebbetzen Jesner, the President, Vice President, wardens and all their families, and all of our kehilah at BHC, a Chag kasher v'sameach, and let us renew again this year the deepening of our Jewish consciousness by reenacting our history.

BARRY SKLAN

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The Chief Rabbi's Pesach Message 5777



Pesach is our festival of questions.

It is no exaggeration to say that questions are amongst the most potent tools at our disposal for improving ourselves, for educating others and for shaping and changing our world for the better.

Our tradition considers it a sacred task to ask, probe and explore. We take questions seriously. To question is not necessarily to reject or to undermine; rather, it is seen by our intensely discursive tradition as a way of refining our understanding of the truth, and of the part we must play in the universe.

Asking the right question at the right time can provide an entirely new perspective on life, it can expand our knowledge and open up whole new vistas of understanding. But, like any truly powerful force in this world, questions can also be used to destroy. They can seed doubt and create confusion and fear.

That is the reason why, during the Seder, when questions are so central, we have a carefully structured environment which provokes constructive questions and encourages thoughtful answers.

A sincere question is a request for deeper understanding and requires a certain degree of humility on the part of the questioner. Indeed, that is the reason why questions are such an important part of Jewish tradition. We are taught in Pirkei Avot, that the classic answer to the question 'who is wise?' is: 'one who learns from every person', and the term that we use to describe even our most accomplished teacher is talmid chacham - 'a wise student'.

It is this humility and sincerity which we find in the question of the wise son, "What is the meaning of the laws and traditions God has commanded?" From his effort to seek meaning from those around him we discover the respect he holds for them and his readiness to learn from them.

Compare his approach to that of the wicked son, who asks, "What does this ritual mean to you?" He seeks no meaning for himself. On the contrary, his question is designed to undermine and to be scornful of what those around him believe.

It is perhaps inevitable, particularly when we hold a strong view, that we will feel less inclined to hear the thoughts of others. And yet, it is essential that we never lose the humility to learn. The point at which we are quicker to undermine the views of others than we are to seek value in them is the point at which our contribution to the world ceases to be a positive one.

Over the course of the last year, our world has become more polarised than at any time in recent memory. We have become steadily worse, it seems, at disagreeing respectfully and at keeping an open mind. This Pesach, may we all be blessed with the humility, not just to ask the right questions, but also to be prepared to learn from the answers.

Valerie and I wish you a chag kasher v'sameach.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ephraim Mirvis'.

Chief Rabbi Ephraim Mirvis
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PESACH MESSAGE

PRESIDENT JONATHAN ARKUSH

NISSAN 5777

Pesach is a time both to look back and look forward. We remember the slavery and ultimately the regaining of freedom of our forefathers and we look forward with optimism to what the future holds for the Jewish people.

Our community in Britain has certainly faced some serious issues over the past year but I believe that we can look forward with confidence. The problems of antisemitism have figured prominently in the year gone by but we have taken positive steps to ensure that hatred or prejudice directed against us is called out for what it is and those who trade in abuse suffer the consequences. In these efforts we have had the resolute support of the Government and most leading political figures across the political spectrum. Two years ago Prime Minister Theresa May stood before the meeting of the Board of Deputies and said: "Britain would simply not be Britain without its Jews". As Prime Minister she has overseen the adoption – the first by any country – of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance definition of antisemitism which includes, among other things, an explicit acknowledgement that the demonisation and singling out of Israel is antisemitic.

We have been strong on antisemitism on the left and in the Labour Party. I was the first witness to give evidence to the Home Affairs Select Committee on Antisemitism and was gratified by its report which responded positively to all of the points the Board of Deputies made in its submission. Labour Party leader Jeremy Corbyn has many times since his election as party leader professed "zero tolerance to antisemitism and all forms of racism". With the case against Ken Livingstone to be decided after months of delay and cases of antisemitism in the party still being reported, we have to say that in this case actions will speak louder than words.

The Community Security Trust recently released troubling figures on the rise of antisemitism. Without for one moment minimising their implications it is nonetheless important to take note that this is part of a disturbing climate of popular resentment that all too often expresses itself against all minorities. In the aftermath of the Brexit vote there was a general rise in hate crimes. I like to think that we can play our own distinct role in influencing the country's political atmosphere. We have begun a busy period of nationwide engagement with Muslim and other communities around the country with the aim of improving relations between faith groups, creating understanding and, importantly, promoting strongly British values. Our team has travelled to Leeds, Leicester and Bradford among other places in the past year, meeting with community leaders, travelling to mosques and schools, and promoting the message of integrating while not losing our identity in the modern Britain whose way of life we believe in.

There have been other achievements. In education our campaign to end the 50 per cent cap on faith admissions to faith-based schools was accepted by the government who agreed with our analysis that the measure has inhibited the creation of Jewish schools and has not demonstrably improved community cohesion. Another major contribution we made in the field of education was to publish the definitive guide for GCSE Judaism, written by renowned educationalist Clive Lawton. This will give those studying the subject a great overview of both the richness of the tradition and the diversity of Jewish life.

We cannot talk of Pesach without mentioning Israel, the modern miracle of the Jewish people. Millennia ago Israel was formed from a nation of slaves but in the 21st century it is transformed into a veritable powerhouse of innovation and success, both economically and culturally and with a robust democratic tradition encompassing freedoms unheard of anywhere else in the Middle East. The people of Israel crossed the Red Sea to achieve freedom and thousands of years later the Jewish people again achieved self-determination in their independent historical land. Israel remains a beacon and a refuge for Jewish people everywhere and we derive huge pride in all of its achievements.

Surely one of the keys to the miraculous survival of the Jewish people is exemplified by the ancient rhythm of Seder night - guided and inspired by our past we look forward to the future.

Chag sameach

Jonathan

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Obituary

HARRY ELLIS



It is extremely rare that a Congregation such as ours have had the benefit of a man like Harry Ellis to guide our affairs over so many years, as President, as Senior Trustee and as a Life President.

Other than his immediate family, his greatest passion in life together with his love of Judaism, was the advancement, betterment and protection of the Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation. If one were to examine his participation in the affairs of the Congregation over the last 60 + years, we would discover many achievements which could have found their way into the Guinness Book of Records:- longest time on the Board of Management of a synagogue; most consecutive attendances at an A.G.M; number of years as a Trustee of a Congregation; and I'm sure there must be many others !

After Amy died, he often said to me "You know, I regret spending so many countless hours on shul business to the detriment of my dear Amy." To which I replied "Harry, if she didn't agree to it she would have made it very plain. She knew the invaluable work you were doing and always approved of it" which answer seemed to give him some comfort.

What were Harry's great abilities that were so invaluable to BHC? First of all his wisdom, then his vast experience in communal affairs; his skill as a lawyer; his complete dedication to the cause and last but not least, his diplomacy. I can hardly remember Harry falling out with anybody.

Besides the shul, of course, he was also engaged in many other Jewish communal activities, JIA, B'nai B'rith, Hannah Levy House to name a few and also many other civil and legal activities in the non-Jewish world. Speaking for myself, Harry was in many ways my mentor. From him I learnt the art of dealing with communal matters and over the course of 50 years we sat together on many committees and I followed in his footsteps as Chairman of Bournemouth JIA, President of B'nai B'rith Men's Lodge, Trustee of the Congregation and I

remember he and I, together with Hilda Marks and Doreen Lee, founded the former Hillel House in Southampton. So many years, so many meetings and so much talk a function of which we Jewish people never seem to tire.

Over 30 years ago, Jewish Care was about to close the Hannah Levy House thus displacing more than 30 elderly people in the process, when Harry, like a knight in shining armour, rode to the rescue, on the way recruiting my wife, Susan and Stephen White, solicitor, to join him in rescuing the Home. Susan worked with him for many years as Co-Trustee of the Home & held him in high esteem, respecting his wisdom, sound counselling and guiding the Home through turbulent times. Thanks to his actions the Home is still running and has provided a haven for many people in their twilight years for well over 30 years.

Invariably, at shul Board meetings, Harry, as Senior Trustee, would like to have the last word and even in his 90's I was amazed at the way he managed to summarise 2 hours of intense discussion so skilfully. At his last Board Meeting just a couple of weeks ago, I noticed he was extremely quiet and at the end we listened to his last words which were "I apologise for not managing to contribute anything to this evening's meeting." Harry you had absolutely nothing to apologise for; your contributions have been legendary over so many years and we, the Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation together with the Bournemouth Jewish Community, cannot thank you enough for them.

We wish "long life" to the family in the knowledge they will be so proud of Harry's iconic achievements which continued even into his very old age.

GEOFFREY FELD

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

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Obituary

ARTHUR APPLETON

I have every reason to credit Arthur with great intellect. He was also endowed with a sense of fairness and great courtesy and consideration to all who he had dealings with, both communally and in the wider Community.

Arthur's formative years were spent in Manchester. He attended the Central High School and then Manchester Institute of Technology, now part of the University Of Manchester, where he read Chemical engineering, graduating during the war years. His academic talents saw him taken by the Ministry of Works to carry on research into the development of anti-malarial drugs, vital for servicemen serving abroad; life-saving work.

Arthur initially travelled from North Manchester, where he received a solid religious Ashkenazi education, to South Manchester where he benefitted from the Sephardi Community, meeting Jacqueline. They married in 1950, a marriage which lasted for 66½ years. In Jaqueline he found a true soul-mate, also of great ability. They had 3 children, Jeffrey, Annette and Diana. Jaqueline for the last 30 years has taught Word-Processing and IT Presentation Software programming, writing and marking examination papers in the subject and only recently at the young age of 91 stopped, to devote herself to Arthur's care, during his last illness.

After the war Arthur worked for ICI, then travelled South, to join ESSO. His work thereafter took he and Jacqueline all over the world. Arthur finished his career as a director of ESSO Chemicals. After spending 4 years in Monte Carlo, they both settled in Bournemouth.

Arthur then decided to read for the Bar. Having been called, he obtained a pupillage in Chambers at 18 Carlton Crescent, about 1980, and then practised on the Western Circuit for approximately two years.

Arthur then became lecturer in Law at Bournemouth

University, where he became a prominent member of the faculty. He also obtained the distinction of having been elected as a Fellow of the Institute of Arbitrators. Unfortunately his academic career was brought to an end by ill-health, a heart condition that sadly disabled the last years of your life.

Having settled in Bournemouth, the Congregation became a central part of his life where he became a popular and highly respected member, quickly being elected and joining what was then known as "the Board", where his quiet thoughtful contributions were recognised, and where a valuable rapport was established with the Trustees and Executive, he becoming Treasurer in 1986 to Harry Wayne as President and then succeeding as President from 1988-1991, when I had the privilege as serving as his Treasurer from 1990-91. Arthur was extremely widely read and had an encyclopaedic knowledge of quotations that I could do nothing other than admire. It was a privilege to serve with him. The Board Meetings were typified by his unfailing courtesy, he being interested in what each member had to say.

Even after retiring as President Arthur continued to serve on the Board for some years, maintaining a close relationship, especially with Harry Ellis who passed away only a matter of days before him, John Kasmir and others. He was also a keen Mason, serving as Master of his Lodge.

To the end in his conversation was dominated by his interest in the Shul, and concern for others which I found quite humbling, but typical of his kindness the welfare of others.

Arthur, has earned a distinctive place in the history of this Congregation which he served so well. His passing, together with Harry Ellis and Howard Rein leaves this Congregation much the poorer. Our sincere condolences go to Jacqueline, Jeffrey, Annette and Diana. The Congregation's thanks go to Arthur for his valuable service to it and of course for his service to Society and Academia. He now rests in peace, free of pain.

IVOR WEINTROUB

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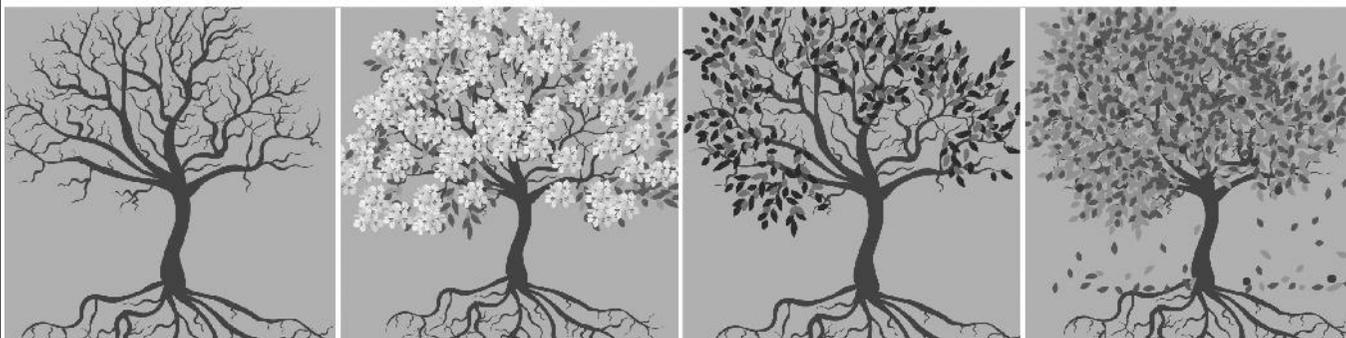
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Obituary

HOWARD REIN

The following article written by MICHAEL FREEDLAND, was published in the Credo section of The Times on 11th March 2017, and is reproduced here with their full permission.

It was the ultimate act of faith – the determination of a dying man to tell a story that seemed to sum up a devotion to his religion as well as describing an essential part of his people’s history. He did it at the end of last year by gaining a PhD from the University of Southampton – at the age of 74. Sadly Howard Rein died a couple of months ago, days before the degree ceremony.

A retired GP, Rein chose a subject that demonstrated the determination of a group of people in what used to be known as London’s Jewish East End to help their poor, as well as to recognize that its inhabitants needed more than synagogues or home services to make sure their faith was practised to the letter; they established a Jewish hospital.

The hospital, in Stepney Green, would never have been described as one of London’s great houses of healing, but for the local Jewish community, poor and ageing, it answered a prayer. Most of them were immigrants, which today holds a message in itself.

“They needed their culture. However, they also needed doctors and nurses who understood them - and who spoke their language. Yiddish. And, above all, they needed their religion,” Rein told me.

This is where the immigrant story is so relevant – it relieved the people of that generation of a problem that would have made the idea of a conventional hospital experience almost as frightening as the operations they were facing.

How could they eat food that was not, as a matter of course, strictly kosher? At the London Jewish Hospital services were held, not just on the Sabbath and Jewish festivals, but during the week too, in the wards.

What about lighting candles on Friday nights to welcome that Sabbath? They couldn’t do that at the nearby London Hospital, where the medical attention was much better (as Rein said, working at this place was not going to be a great move for a newly qualified clinician).

However, the women who never let a Friday go by without performing the candle-lighting ceremony – and might even prefer to die than not do so – could strike their matches in their beds, watched over by a nurse,

who probably came from a home like they did, spoke Yiddish and might have been trained at the hospital’s nursing school.

It had a child psychology department, with a certain Dr Emanuel Miller in charge – the father of the physician and playwright Jonathan Miller.

There was another matter that bothered the Jewish community of the day – the work of Christian missionaries who had set up shop in Jewish areas, notably in other local hospitals. No one was going to do that at the London Jewish Hospital.

There were other problems. “The Jewish elite, the important families like the Rothschilds, were against it,” Rein told me. “The hospital was established in 1919, but it had been an idea that was first mooted in 1907, and yet there were no funds to set it up. They did not get charitable donations from the wealthy families, who wanted Jews to be fully integrated like everyone else. And yet there were those who felt the need.”

The main mover and shaker was a man who normally only shook hair lotion. It was Isadore Berliner, a local barber who got the idea off the ground. “He started making collections from people who gave pennies. There were collections by people carrying tins in the streets of the East End.”

The hospital was in operation until the arrival of the NHS in 1948. It was a small hospital that offered a free service – although it did ask for a few extra pennies from in-patients who could afford to pay for small items such as bandages.

My friend used his experience as a doctor to say that it might not have been the best hospital in the world. However, the care of souls was as important as that of the human body. It had faith in itself, enough to practise what it preached.

And Howard Rein could say a prayer in gratitude that it all happened.

MICHAEL FREEDLAND

BOURNEMOUTH HEBREW CONGREGATION ON

facebook

Did you know that there has been a Facebook page for the Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation for the past year? On 8 March 2016 we started a 'Public Group' on Facebook where we post news items about our members, our Shul and our town. The membership has steadily grown and currently stands at 83.

It is a good way of communicating what goes on in our Congregation, not just to those living in Bournemouth, but also to our friends and family living further afield. In fact we have members from London, Israel, the USA and Australia.

More recently we have introduced the '5 Minute Shiur' which appears once a week and presents Jewish ideas in an easy to understand format, making a small contribution to Jewish education.

Why not join the Group and explore its content? To join the Group is easy; all you need is a Facebook account. Please send Mahir Özdamar a Facebook message indicating that you would like to join the BHC Public Group and within minutes you will be a member. Please encourage your friends and family to join our Group and stay in touch with us.

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MAHIR ÖZDAMAR



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HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY LECTURE GIVEN BY WALTER KAMMERLING

Walter Kammerling spoke at the University of Bristol, as part of the prestigious Richmond Lectures, about his experiences in Austria before, during and after the Holocaust.

To the audience of over 500 students and staff members, he recounted the beginning of the antisemitism and how it grew, his evacuation to the United Kingdom on the Kindertransport, how he met his wife, Herta, and their subsequent return to a broken Vienna. All present felt privileged to have been able to hear his testimony and to have had a window into one of the most extreme cases of prejudice and hatred in history.

EDMUND SMITH
(a student at Bristol University)



Walter Kammerling speaking in Bristol

Katarina Webb gave the following talk at the Holocaust Memorial Day Gathering which took place in the Council Chamber at Bournemouth Town Hall. Numbers were restricted at the event but the Editors feel it deserving of a larger audience.

IS THERE LIFE AFTER WAR?

This is a question that generations of people have asked themselves for thousands of years.

From my observations, I feel that people who had something to look forward to, or people who were looking after family members or friends, had the motivation to go forward and salvage what they could.

My parents did not know each other before the Second World War, and only met in 1946 at work. They both worked for the same company – Apollo – a chemical refinery in Bratislava, which is the capital of Slovakia. This refinery was renamed Slovnaft after nationalization.

My mother, Klara Porgesova, with her parents, Julius and Irene Porges, as well as her two sisters, Hilda Politzerova and Elena Diamantova, and Elena's husband Ladislav Diamant, were all imprisoned in Theresienstadt which was in Bohemia. They all survived the war, which seemed to them like a miracle. My mother was a very strong and determined person, who was prepared to sacrifice herself to help her nearest and dearest. Unfortunately, her nerves were affected by these experiences, and the condition became worse with advancing years.

My father, Julius Eisenberg was deported to Hungary, and forced into a labour camp. I do not know the name of it. He only just survived bouts of dysentery and typhus. After the war he returned to Slovakia. Until his death in 1968, he suffered periodically with duodenal ulcers.

After his return from the war, he discovered that his first wife and baby son had perished on the way to Auschwitz. His brother, Ernest Eisenberg, was imprisoned in Buchenwald concentration camp, from which he was liberated at the end of the war by the American forces.

My knowledge of these events is very sketchy, because my parents and extended family never talked about their experiences. When I was born in 1948, the political situation in Czechoslovakia was dominated by communists. There was no religious freedom. Because of that my parents decided that I was safer as a Protestant than as a Jew, so I was christened, and my father changed his surname to Ruda. This enabled him to study and to get a job. He also embarked on trying to finish his education, which had been interrupted by the war. He pursued his studies to achieve 'O' and 'A' levels, to enable him to go to university. He fitted this in with difficulty, because he also worked full time. Therefore his studies took him six years.

He graduated as an Engineer of Economy at the Chemical University in Bratislava, with a first class degree in 1961. My mother fully supported his endeavours, and she worked full time as a translator of chemical patents, interpreting them in Hungarian, French, German and English.

Considering all their enormous sacrifices, I am very proud of their achievements, and grateful for them giving me a wonderful childhood.

I suppose the story would not be complete without telling

you how or why I am in Bournemouth. After finishing my secondary education in Bratislava, I matriculated in four subjects, two of which were physics and chemistry. I then enrolled at the University of Bratislava, to study chemistry. I was in my second year there, when I was invited to visit Bournemouth. This was the result of a very great coincidence. Friends of ours came to visit their cousin in Bournemouth. All three of them were invited to tea with a couple who had originated in Czechoslovakia. Our friends from Bratislava realised that their host looked very much like my father. They asked him if he knew Julius Eisenberg. Their host was amazed, because he did not now that my father, his cousin, had survived the war. The host was Tibor Polcar, and he was married to Tamara, who was a very well known photographer. Her painted photographs of former mayors of Bournemouth still hang in the mayor's parlour.

I was originally invited by Tibor and Tamara to come and stay for a holiday in 1968, but my father passed away, and soon afterwards the Russian tanks invaded Czechoslovakia. In 1969, the offer was repeated, so I came to Bournemouth in July, to stay for a month. As the situation in Czechoslovakia was very oppressive, Tibor and Tamara, in consultation with my mother, offered me the chance to stay in England. We decided that I should apply for British citizenship. I used to help Tamara in her studio and around the home. She and Tibor were absolutely lovely and they made me very welcome.

In September I met Brian and we got engaged on 31 December 1969. In order for our wedding to take place in the Orthodox Synagogue, I had to take a course of religious instruction, as well as learning to read in Hebrew. With this learning came a sense of belonging. At the end of the course of instruction I had to take an exam at the highest Jewish authority, known as the Beth Din, which is in London. Thanks to Claude Sinclair and my soon to be mother-in-law, Debbie and my fiancé, Brian, I passed the exam and was converted back to Judaism.

We married the following year. Our first daughter, Natalie was born in January 1973 and Michelle followed in November 1975.

When the children were growing up, I started baking cakes for friends, and this developed into a small business, which grew steadily. My friend Joyce and I catered for quite a lot of functions in the Jewish community. You could say that I swapped inorganic chemistry for an edible science.

After years of study, Natalie has recently become a Professor of Astrophysics with the European Space Agency in Toulouse. She is married and has two children – Dalia is 9 and Raphael is 6. They both attend a Jewish primary school in Toulouse. Our younger daughter, Michelle, qualified as a teacher and is currently head of lower school in a Jewish primary school in London. I am very proud of my family, not least because our daughters carry on with the Jewish faith.

"I hope my talk demonstrates that life can go on on even after overwhelming tragedy and be meaningful again.

KATARINA WEBB

BORN IN A LONDON TUBE STATION: JERRY SPRINGER'S REMARKABLE STORY

by Richard Verber, Head of External Affairs, World Jewish Relief

In July 1939 Margot and Richard Springer arrived in England. They were among the last Jews to escape the clutches of the Nazis just weeks before Germany invaded Poland. Margot was 35, her husband Richard, 33 and, coincidentally, they shared the same birthday – September 11. The young couple were yet to have children.

They spent the war years in London. Baby Evelyn came along first. In 1943 Margot became pregnant again. Although the Blitz was over, they still had to make their way to air raid shelters regularly. In February 1944 she gave birth in the shelter in Highgate Tube station.

I can only imagine the fear caused by the air raid siren coupled with being nine months' pregnant, knowing you might have to give birth at any minute without the sanitation of a hospital.

But their little boy grew up to become Jerry Springer, TV host and politician.

Jerry's grandmothers were murdered in concentration camps – his maternal grandmother, Marie Kalmann, in Chelmno, Poland, and his paternal grandmother, Selma Springer, in Theresienstadt in what is now the Czech Republic.

In all Jerry lost 27 members of his family in the Holocaust. Like many refugees from Nazi-occupied Europe, Jerry's parents arrived in the UK with very little and needed urgent help.

The Central British Fund for German Jewry (CBF) – the precursor to World Jewish Relief – was their lifeline. Jerry attributes his parents' survival to World Jewish Relief. "I am delighted to support the organisation which helped my parents in 1939," he told us.

Last year we presented Jerry with his parents' records from World Jewish Relief's newly-digitised archives. "I was deeply touched when I received the records of my parents' immigration. These papers are a piece of family history which I will treasure forever," he said.

Jerry's story is a remarkable one. His family moved to the United States when he was just five, believing America represented a place where people could live without persecution. Jerry became mayor of Cincinnati at the age of 33.

A stint as a news presenter led to him becoming one of America's best-known talk show hosts. Yet he remains connected to his roots and his community.

World Jewish Relief was integral in bringing over tens



Jerry Springer (right) with his parents Richard and Margot.



Jerry Springer receives his records from Linda Rosenblatt (vice chair) and Jame Libson (chair)

of thousands of refugees like Jerry's parents from Nazi-occupied Europe, including 10,000 children who came on the Kindertransport and 732 orphan survivors known as "The Boys".

World Jewish Relief is now offering people free access to their family records, so if you think that we may have helped you or a family member, please visit www.worldjewishrelief.org/archives.

World Jewish Relief's work helping those in desperate need did not stop after the Holocaust. As the British Jewish community's humanitarian agency, we are helping thousands in crisis right now, particularly people caught up in the devastating conflict in Ukraine that has so deeply scarred the large Jewish community there. Find out more about our work at www.worldjewishrelief.org.

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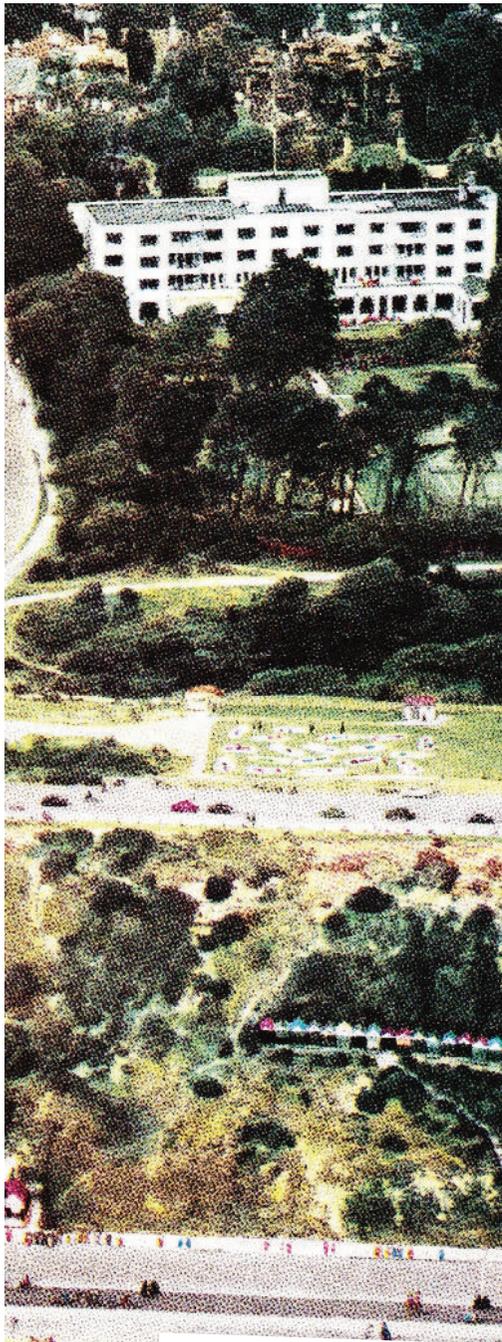


Emunah Celebrates the



Green Park

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Rochelle Selby and Judy Richman

On Sunday 11 December 2016 the Green Park Hotel was remembered and celebrated with a film and afternoon tea in the Menorah Suite. 130 people watched a private screening of the film 'The Green Park', directed by Justin Hardy, written by Jack Fishburn.

The film's producer Marsha Lee is a member of the extended Marriott/ Richman family who owned and ran the Hotel from November 1943 until its closure in October 1986.

During this era Bournemouth was acclaimed as the South Coast's premier holiday destination, and the Green Park stood out as a leading Kosher hotel; many of you may remember it well! Guests would enjoy a luxurious fully inclusive family holiday experience in a modern hotel offering service and comfort, good and plentiful food with a silver service dining room, together with entertainment which included many of the 'A list' performers and celebrities of the day including Ray Ellington, Eddy Calvert, Lionel Blair, Tommy Trinder, Ted Rogers and Larry Adler, to name but a few.

The Hotel, which was located on Bournemouth's East Cliff, boasted state of the art facilities including a large garden and sun terrace, with tennis courts, a children's playground and a swimming pool; there were also regular golf tournaments and card evenings. The Hotel offered a personal service, meeting and greeting its guests by name, many of whom returned year on year (always staying in the same room). The owners were also innovative employers who took a personal interest in their staff, investing in their training and welfare; they were particularly proud of the Italian waiters who received their training at the Hotel.

The film was very well received by the guests, with a standing ovation at the end. Not only does it give a nostalgic flavour of a Hotel of its era, but it is also a very successful social documentary of 20th century British Jewry.

The audience brought together people to share their memories of the Hotel. The event was attended by some of the stars of the film - one of the owners of the hotel, Miss Judy Richman (now 92 years old), staff members Betty Traves, Mimmo Zacchia and Nino Benedetto. Also present were many local people who had held celebrations at the Hotel, including Maurice and Helen Kaye (now 104 and 103 years old respectively) who held their Silver Wedding celebrations at the Green Park Hotel in August 1959, and who more recently celebrated their 82nd wedding anniversary in a quieter way.

Rochelle Selby paid tribute to her late mother Hilda Marks; not only are the Marks and Richman families great friends, but Hilda was also a longstanding patron of Emunah, a worldwide charity which helps disadvantaged children and their families in Israel, providing therapies and counselling appropriate to the needs of each individual, and helping them integrate back into society.

This event raised £2,000 for Emunah; proceeds will go towards the Hilda and Sam Marks Counselling Centre in Naharia, Israel. A presentation was also made to Judy Richman in memory of her late sister Ray Richman, with a donation going towards a grant for one of the students of an Emunah home to train in the hospitality industry - a fitting end to a nostalgic afternoon of reminiscing and celebrating the Green Park Hotel.

ANNE ÖZDAMAR



Mimmo Zacchia and Judy Richman



Nino Benedetto and Betty Traves

Although she does not mention it in this article Rhona was a youngster living in Bournemouth which suffered bombing during the war. This included loss of life and the severe damage to the Metropole hotel which was opposite Yauners, the family's shop at the Lansdowne. However In this article she tells of happier times in Bournemouth post-World War Two.

GROWING UP IN BOURNEMOUTH



Leon – Far left behind the back row almost in the corner. Rhona – Middle of the centre row standing behind Yvonne Corb (seated front row) in striped sweater, Mandy Glazer's late mother. Next to Yvonne is Hymie Corb, Mandy's late father and next to him Bernie Corb, Mandy's late uncle. Sixth from right, standing, is Leon's brother Tony.

I am now very old. I was, of course, once very young. I have always lived in Bournemouth, my maternal grandparents arrived in 1919 for a holiday after World War One and never returned to the East End where they had arrived in 1899 from Russia.

My father's family came from Poland, although my father, one of six was born in Britain. His older brother opened 'The Trouville Hotel' the second Jewish hotel to open in Bournemouth in the 1920's which is where he met my mother.

There was one Shul here, Wootton Gardens. From the 1920's the community flourished. Most of the local families were in business, shopkeepers, of course, mainly in the fashion and fur trade. Their children stayed and went into the family business.

In 1940 my father joined the Royal Navy, became a stoker 1st class on a destroyer and served the war in the North Atlantic on Russian Convoys. Horror upon horror.

My childhood was much the same as everyone's at that time and when the war was over, three young ex-servicemen who had returned to Bournemouth started the 5705 (1945) youth club in the Shul Hall – now the Gertrude Preston Hall. I was too young to join as you had to be 16! How I longed to be 16! The Bournemouth Jewish community thrived with many families moving here. We had three kosher butchers would you believe!

At last I was eligible and it became my social life. We had a very thriving club. We put on plays, talks, and of course dances. We had 7 teams in the local Table Tennis League, we played badminton and after every Wednesday meeting we all went to the Swiss Restaurant (now Classic Eyes) for coffee - the latest mishagus. It was the era of the Bournemouth Jewish Hotels who were very hospitable to us and we were allowed to join their Saturday night dances, especially in the winter, probably to lower the average age of their visitors and liven up the dance floor. In the summer the hotels were packed with young families and the teenagers swelled the numbers at the 5705.

From 1945 till the late 1950's there were about sixty marriages from meeting at 'the club'. My sister met her husband there, Herbert, a Kindertransport refugee, who sadly died six years ago.

Everyone in the community knew each other, so news travelled fast. When I was about 17, I had an electric portable record player – wow! We needed it to play the records at the club as the club player had worn out. But how to get it to the club every Wednesday? We had no car. To the rescue came a knight in shining armour who had a Morris Minor Traveller's car he shared with his brother. So every Wednesday he collected the gramophone and me. Jive had just become 'the thing'.

My parents were very protective and whenever I had been out in the evening had to report back as to where I had been and who I had been with.

The social life here was great and as the years passed I suppose I had had the usual share of boyfriends. When I was 20 would you believe it I started going out with my knight. On our first date we decided to go where no one would see us. A dance hall in Boscombe! How wrong we were. His cousin probably doing the same thing saw us.

One night when I arrived home quite late and went to report to my mother where I had been she told me exactly where I had been – my knight's cousin had told his mother, who phoned her sister in law, (my knight's mother) who phoned her friend who was also my mother's friend who phoned my mother. You couldn't do a thing without the whole town knowing. As the years passed the teenagers left the family businesses and went to university never to return. The Jewish hotels gradually closed as travel abroad, especially to Israel, became easy.

The 5705 had served its purpose as most youth clubs had and became history.

My knight, Leon, of course, proposed when I was 21. We were married in Wootton Gardens Shul a year later and thank God we're still together nearly 59 years later.

RHONA TAYLOR

THELMA COWAN AWARDED B.E.M. IN NEW YEAR'S HONOUR'S LIST

Thelma Cowan has been awarded the British Empire Medal in the Queen's New Year's Honours List, in recognition of her voluntary charitable work within the Bournemouth community.

As Chairwoman of the Bournemouth Hebrew Ladies Guild for almost twenty years, Thelma has devoted herself to the role, taking responsibility for kiddushim and catering, and works tirelessly arranging community lunches, days out, events with entertainers and renowned speakers, all with the aim of bringing the community together, whilst raising vital funds for charitable organisations. Although many of the funds raised have benefitted both congregants in need at BHC and the synagogue itself, she has been instrumental in raising tens of thousands of pounds to purchase valuable MRI and dialysis equipment for the Royal Bournemouth Hospital and recently presented a cheque to the hospital's Jigsaw Cancer Garden appeal.

Thelma, a native Dubliner, joined the Bournemouth community around thirty years ago with her late husband, Jack, after his retirement as a GP in London. A lady of tiny stature with a permanent smile and enormous zest for life, she quickly became involved in community life. In addition to the Ladies Guild, she chairs the League of Jewish Women and co-chairs Bournemouth Emunah and was instrumental in setting up BHC's "Meet and Munch" lunch club. In the wider community, she works as a volunteer in the Royal Bournemouth Hospital and last year received a Long Term Volunteer Award for 15 years of service. She also enjoys visiting members of the community at home, continuing her welfare work for BHC

Thelma Cowan B.E.M. on her birthday



and visits members of the Jewish community in hospital.

Her award was described as 'very deserving' by retired Judge Ivor Weintraub, former President, who praised her commitment and passion.

"As President, anything I asked of her, whatever the community needed, she would do it. Everything she does is for the community", he concluded.

Thelma is typically modest about her achievements and that she is seen as an ambassador for the community at large.

"I fell in love with Bournemouth and wanted to give something back," she enthuses. "The support that has been given to me here has enabled me to live a full and happy life".

Retirement is not an option for the indefatigable Thelma; relentless enthusiasm and dedication fuel her.

"I love what I do and want to continue. I don't want to sit down doing nothing. I need to do something positive".

Rabbi Adrian Jesner was full of praise for the huge honour that Thelma has brought to the community.

"The British Empire Medal has been awarded not only in recognition of her work in the Jewish community but for the tireless and selfless work she has done in the wider community over many years", he commented.

"She is an inspiration to everyone at BHC, may she go from strength to strength".

MANDY GLAZER

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Personal

ARTHUR APPLETON – Jeff, Annette, Diana and I would like to thank Rabbi and Rebbetzen Jesner, Reverend Barry and Mrs Sklan, the Synagogue Board members and the Office staff for all the help received when Arthur died. Our special thanks to all those wonderful friends who supported us at the funeral and Shiva evenings. Their eulogies, sensitivity and sympathy were so much appreciated. The saddest thing is not being able to tell Arthur how marvellous you all were just when we needed you most. My heartfelt thanks. Jacqueline Appleton.

BRADLEY – Celia and Brian would like to thank all those who sent lovely messages of congratulations on the Barmitzvah of their grandson, Sefi, which took place in Borehamwood on 4th February. Also, together with Tara, Olivier, Mathilde and Esmee, we would like to thank all those who sent lovely messages of congratulations on the Batmitzvah of our granddaughter, Mathilde, in our synagogue on 11th March. It was wonderful to celebrate two simchas in one week and we are still schlepping nachas!! So thank you all.

COWAN – Thelma wishes to express her sincere and grateful thanks to Rabbi Adrian and Pamela Jesner, to Reverend Barry and Angela Sklan, to her dear friends, and to the whole community not only for their kindness, support and concern during her recent illness, but also for the many cards and messages offering congratulations on her being awarded the British Empire Medal.

Additionally she wishes to thank all those who sent cards, flowers and donations to Hannah Levy House, Camp Simcha, Cancer UK and Magen David Adom in celebration of her 80th Birthday.

KEEN – Jeffrey and Marilyn would like to thank our family and friends in this wonderful Bournemouth community for their love, care and support during our respective illness challenges.

ÖZDAMAR – Anne and Mahir would like to thank everyone for their good wishes following the birth of their dear granddaughter, Elana Shira, a daughter for Liza and Gavin Sinai and little sister for Jacob, in Borehamwood.

REIN – Corinne with Sarah, David and Annabel wish to thank Rabbi Adrian and Pamela Jesner, Reverend Barry and Angela Sklan and all our friends for their support, care and concern during the illness of Howard, her beloved husband and their dearest father. We thank everyone for their sympathy and messages of condolence following his passing, which were of great comfort at such a sad time.

WAXMAN – I handknit soft toys for children in Israel who are in hospital, also for children in hospital in Bournemouth. If there is anyone who has leftover knitting yarns and does not require them any more could you please take them to the Synagogue or the Shul Shop, and I will collect them. Thank you. Joyce Waxman

CHRIS WOODWARD – Thank you Rabbi and Pamela Jesner, Rev Barry & Angela Sklan, and all the community who enquired after my health following my road traffic accident last January.

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Mazal tov to Mayor Elect of Bournemouth, Lawrence Williams

Councillor Lawrence Williams has been elected by Bournemouth Council to be the new Mayor of the town.

He will take up his duties at the end of May, with his wife Elaine serving as Mayoress. They have two daughters and five grandchildren.

Born in London, Councillor Williams has had a career in broadcasting and advertising, both nationally and locally. In 1980 he began working for local radio station 2CR and the family moved to Bournemouth, followed by working for an advertising agency. He set up his own advertising agency in 2000 from which he plans to retire in April.

Councillor for Littledown and Iford since 2011, at present he is cabinet member for Leisure, Tourism and the Arts, but will leave this role when taking up office as Mayor. He spoke of this work as "challenging" but "really enjoyable", but hoped that he was "leaving Bournemouth Tourism in a better place than when I started."

He added "I am particularly proud not only for my work in the wider community but to have represented the Bournemouth Jewish Community as a past President of Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation and chair of Bournemouth Jewish Representative Council. I will be the first past President to become Mayor of Bournemouth.

My wife, Elaine, was for a number of years a Committee Member of the Ladies Guild, working for its welfare team.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at the Mayor



Congratulations to Lawrence and Elaine Williams

Making Ceremony on the morning of May 26th at the Pavilion Theatre, more about tickets during April.

Of course your support of the Mayor's charities and events will be appreciated."

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Celia and Brian Bradley celebrated their grandchildren's Simchat on successive weekends.



On 4th February it was the BARMITZVAH of SEFI (Joseph) BRADLEY, son of Katrina and Daniel Bradley at Borehamwood and Elstree Synagogue (Croxdale Road)

The following Shabbat, 11th February, it was the BATMITZVAH of MATHILDE LECHARTIER, daughter of Tara and Olivier Lechartier at Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation, Wootton Gardens.



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ROAMIN' IN THE GLOAMIN' WITH EMUNAH

It all started back in 2004, when Emunah decided to arrange a sponsored walk in the Highlands of Scotland. Thirteen years older, but not a lot wiser, we are returning to Perthshire in June for another 4 day sponsored walk. We will be representing Bournemouth, and are writing to ask you to sponsor us.

Unfortunately the problem of 'at risk' children in Israel continues, whether they are orphaned, abused or neglected. Emunah's commitment to rehabilitating these children, eventually enabling them to live successful and happy lives in the community, is legendary. All funds raised from this challenge will go towards renovating their Childrens' Home in Afula.

We cannot succeed in this endeavour without you. We rely on your support and encouragement, which are both much appreciated. We urge you to complete the sponsorship form which is enclosed with Ruach. Thank you on behalf of Emunah and ourselves.



MARILYN DEXTER AND ANNE ÖZDAMAR,
BOURNEMOUTH GOLDA EMUNAH

BHC PURIM SEUDAH 5777

The BHC Purim Seudah was attended by over one hundred people who enjoyed a lunchtime repast of Thelma's famous vegetable soup, viennas, rolls, Lorraine and Stuart's infamous, fabulous, nationally renowned latkes, Israeli salad and Pamela's coleslaw. All rounded off by traditional hamentashen. A huge thank you to the Shul Shop for supplying the food for the Purim Seudah.

The entertainment was all home grown, with the Pacemakers choir (you needed one to listen to them!!!) namely, Brian Bradley, Max Dias, Eric Kurt and Tony Nairn, who led well known Purim songs as well as their own version of a popular song rewritten for the festive day. Marilyn Dexter and Angela Sklan, performed a poem by Robert Louis Stevenson, Rabbi Jesner entertained with traditional Purim songs.

Added to this was a Flanders and Swan composition of the Gas man cometh, performed by Lorraine and Stuart. Josephine and Gerald Jackson gave a reet northern rendition of "The Lion and Albert".

A Purim sketch, written by Angela and performed by Rabbi Jesner, Bernie Dexter and Richard Saunders and Barry Sklan sang a ditty about food during the Jewish year.

All rounded by a finale by the Pacemakers of "Do you know the way to Shushan Purim".

A great atmosphere, plenty of food, enjoyable entertainment, organised by the entertainment committee of Marilyn Dexter, Valerie Millin and Angela Sklan.

BARRY SKLAN



The bear faced chutzpah of the Rabbi, but he wasn't driving too fur



Was this our Wardens?



Me and my shadow

BOURNEMOUTH SEPHARDI ASSOCIATION

This year on Shabbat Hagadol, the Bournemouth Sephardi Association will be marking 18 years since its first Minyan.

It seems like yesterday when at a function in the Menorah Suite I was introduced to David Kalfon about 20 years ago.

I had dreamt for many years about the possibility of a Sephardi Minyan, and when I discussed it with David he instantly gave me a positive reply. I was thrilled and soon after, we discussed it with Rabbi Geoffrey Shisler who was then the minister of the Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation.

After several meeting with the Shul's Executive, we got their blessing for our venture.

A meeting was held at my home with a group of interested people, including Jack Valencia, the late Alfie Boyle, David Kalfon and myself.

At that meeting the Bournemouth Sephardi Association was born, and agreed to hold our first Minyan on Shabbat Hagadol in 1999.

We held our monthly Minyanim with the help of guest Hazanim, until about a year later we were joined by Aviran Reuven, the late Alfie Boyle's nephew, who became our honorary permanent Hazan to this days.

On our second anniversary we were blessed and honoured with the presence of Hacham Dayan Pinhas Toledano, who at the time was the head of the Sephardi Bet Din in London.

A few months later he arranged for the Sephardi Bet Din to donate a Sepher Torah to the Minyan, which was restored by Bernard Bennaroch, a scribe from London.

The second Sepher Torah was donated to us by the Holland Park Sephardi Synagogue and the third by Aviran's parents' Synagogue in Herzliya, Israel.

12 Years ago, we decided to have a communal lunch on both days of Rosh Hashanah and breaking the Fast on Yom Kippur. These events became very popular, and lately we catered for 50 to 60 persons.

One positive factor is that we decided to give all proceedings to our chosen charity, like The Chasidei Naomi, a poor childrens charity in Israel, The Agudah Le Ma'an Ha Hayal, a charity that supports Israeli soldiers and veterans, and lately the Magen David Adom, all of whom are very important charities close to our hearts.

We are very grateful to the Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation for letting us use their premises, and hope that we will continue to go from strength to strength.

SIMON TAMMAM

THE EIGHT DAYS OF PESACH

(to be sung to the tune of a well known seasonal song!)

On the first day of Pesach my Booba gave to me, a Matzah and a cup of tea.

On the second day of Pesach my Booba gave to me, two Hard Boiled Eggs and a Matzah and a cup of tea

On the third day of Pesach my Booba gave to me, three Pickled Herrings, two Hard Boiled Eggs and a Matzah and a cup of tea.

On the fourth day of Pesach my Booba gave to me, four Chalet Cheeses, three Pickled Herrings, two Hard Boiled Eggs, and a Matzah and a cup of tea.

On the fifth day of Pesach my Booba gave to me, five Ma-ca-roons, four Chalet Cheeses, three Pickled Herrings, two Hard Boiled Eggs and a Matzah and a cup of tea.

On the sixth day of Pesach my Booba gave to me, six bits of Plava, five Ma-ca-roons, four Chalet Cheeses, three Pickled Herrings, two Hard Boiled Eggs, and a Matzah and a cup of tea.

On the seventh day of Pesach my Booba gave to me, seven cold Kneidals, six bits of Plava, five Ma-ca-roons, four Chalet Cheeses, three Pickled Herrings, two Hard Boiled eggs and a Matzah and a cup of tea.

On the eighth day of Pesach my Booba gave to me, eight SENAPODS, seven cold Kneidals, six bits of Plava, five Ma-ca-roons, four Chalet Cheeses, three Pickled Herrings, two Hard Boiled Eggs and a Matzah and a cup of tea.

Forwarded by Geoff Waldman

BOURNEMOUTH HEBREW LADIES GUILD

Annual General Meeting – 2017

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday 22nd February in the Menorah Suite. Chairman, Thelma Cowan, extended a warm welcome to all present.

Thelma commenced her Report by saying what a privilege it had been to serve as Chairman during the past year and reported on a successful year for the Guild. Numerous kiddushim, Shabbat lunches and functions with guest speakers were held and funds were given to welfare and various charities. As well as catering the Purim Seudah, the Tikkun Leil for Shavuot and the meal in the Succah, we catered the annual Simchat Torah lunch and a Shabbat UK lunch with guest speaker, journalist Alex Brummer. On Shabbat, 11th June, we catered a special Kiddush to celebrate Her Majesty the Queen's 90th birthday with the tables set out and decorated as a street party. This was a memorable occasion. Also in June, the Guild held a fundraising dinner for 160 people with Bob Drury performing a Neil Diamond tribute. It was one of the best events held in the Menorah Suite for a long time and could have carried on all night. In between, the Guild has helped out the community providing teas after stone-settings, and in addition, the Guild is very much involved with Meet 'n Munch which has continued to be a successful fortnightly event attracting people of all ages and all strands of the community.

Thelma expressed her deep appreciation to her Vice-Chairman, Evelyn Grant, Treasurer & Membership Officer, Katarina Webb, and Secretary, Audrey Kneller, as well as to the whole Committee for their dedication and hard work throughout the year. She gave special thanks to the Guild Committee and other members of our community who arrive early on a Shabbat morning regardless of the weather to prepare kiddushim, and the Kiddush Rota is in the capable hands of Bobbie Winograd. Thelma appealed for more ladies to join the Guild, whose function is not only to prepare kiddushim and cater functions, but is also a welfare organisation, visiting and helping people who are in hospital, care homes or live on their own and are housebound.

Grateful thanks were given to the President of BHC, Brian Lassman, for all his help, Gilian Walker, the office administrator for her co-operation, Reverend Barry Sklan for his assistance from time to time, caretakers Pat and Bob Nixon for all their help, Judith and Lesley Jupe for always being available to do the washing up and finally, on behalf of everyone, the Chevra Kadisha ladies for their vital work.

Thelma concluded her report by saying that it is her hope that the Congregation will continue to thrive and share many more simchas together, and be blessed with good health and peace.

The Treasurer, Katarina Webb, presented the Financial

Accounts for the year ended 30 September 2016 and replied to questions from the floor.

The appointment of Filer Knapper as auditors was confirmed for the ensuing year.

At this point Evelyn Grant, as Senior Trustee, had the pleasure of nominating Thelma as Chairman for the coming year, which resolution was passed unanimously. Evelyn mentioned for those who were not in Shul on Shabbat, that the Ladies Guild presented Thelma with a leaf for the Simcha Tree to celebrate Thelma's 80th birthday.

The Executive and Committee members for 2017/2018 were elected enbloc as follows:

Life President:	Rhona Taylor
Trustees:	Evelyn Grant, Thelma Cowan and Katarina Webb
Chairman	Thelma Cowan
Vice-Chairman	Evelyn Grant
Treasurer & Membership Secretary	Katarina Webb
Correspondence & Minutes Secretary:	Audrey Kneller
Honorary Committee Member:	Pamela Jesner
Committee:	Jayne Baker, Judy Lassman, Ros Nairn, Audrey Samuels, Lorraine Stein, Hilary Waldman, June Whitesman and Bobbie Winograd

This was followed by Thelma's introduction to the guest speaker, Lynda Ford-Horne, whose talk was entitled "My Jewish Journey". She trained as a teacher at the same college and time as Geoffrey Shisler and taught full-time for 12 years in Tottenham. She commenced her talk by presenting a framed wedding photograph of her grandparents who married on 1st September 1939, but due to the war being imminent, the photograph was actually taken a week later.

Lynda was born and bred in London where she lived until 1983 when she moved to Bournemouth with her husband and daughters, Susara and Daniella. Following her retirement from teaching in 2008, Lynda set up a consultancy "Living Judaism" and goes into schools all over the country leading workshops on Judaism. She is also chair of the Bournemouth & Poole Holocaust Memorial Day Committee. Her talk gave a fascinating insight into her teaching career and inter-faith work.

Rhona Taylor gave the vote of thanks and presented Lynda with a pot plant.

The formalities were followed by a delicious Ploughman's Lunch.

AUDREY KNELLER

BOURNEMOUTH WIZO

Annual General Meeting – 7th December 2016

In September, Bournemouth WIZO held an Afternoon Tea in Bonny and Barry Cole's beautiful Penthouse flat. Even the weather favoured us. The sun shone out of a clear blue sky and we were all able to take advantage and sit on their spacious terrace.

Judy Curtis, our chairman, opened the meeting by welcoming all present, and said it gave her great pleasure to present her first annual report for Bournemouth WIZO. The year had started a little early for her because our previous chairman, Claire Levey, was unable to attend our last event of the year, as she was not feeling well enough. However we were glad to see that she has made an excellent recovery.

Judy continued by giving details of all of the Group's events carried out during the year, commencing with a film show on 6th December 2015, an Israeli film "Fill the Void" held in the Simcha Hall. This being the first night of Chanukah, the first candle was lit, with a rousing rendition of Ma'oz Tzur.

At the AGM held on 16 December 2015, our speaker from Head Office was Michele Pollock, chairman of WIZOUk, who proved to be a warm and friendly person, and informed us about the many WIZO projects in Israel that really make a huge difference to those who need guidance in their daily lives. We can be proud that the money we raise really is put to excellent use, and the variety of help available is enormous.

In February and March, Judy gave two talks on the subject of 'Jewish Genes – Our Genetic Inheritance'. (The reason for having two talks was to accommodate about 60 people, the first talk having a waiting list.) Our story and our genes are always interesting to us, and hopefully in the future, technology will be able to keep us safe from Jewish genetic disorders.

In May, our annual Jewish Women's Week Coffee Morning was hosted once again by Rebbetzin Pamela Jesner, for which we were very grateful. We had two speakers from Head Office, Helen Reisman and Diana Pollins, and a tidy sum was raised for Israel.

On 7th September, which was a gloriously sunny day, WIZO member, Bonny Cole, and her husband Barry, hosted an Afternoon Tea at their beautiful penthouse flat, with a very entertaining talk by Nick Thomas, a comedy scriptwriter. It was followed by tea on their terrace, affording spectacular views.

Judy thanked everyone on the Executive Committee for their help and support, especially Suzanne Waller and Audrey Kneller. Rita Keene and Judy Morgenstern were wished a speedy recovery.

She thanked everyone for coming to the AGM, and for their support throughout the year, and looked forward to seeing everyone at our forthcoming events.

Our Treasurer, Suzanne Waller proceeded with her financial report. She welcomed all present, and replied to questions

raised. She stated that it had been another busy year, but as shown in the Receipts and Payments Statement, the net profit was down on last year, the main reason being that there were slightly fewer events held and the numbers attending were less than the previous year.

With regard to the two film shows held in the past year, DVDs had been loaned in return for a donation to WIZO, and were brought along for this purpose. These DVDs are still available for anyone who wished to borrow them.

Suzanne reminded all present, if they had not already done so, to sign a Gift Aid Declaration which means that WIZO will receive £2.50 from the Inland Revenue for every £10 paid. She also mentioned the recent fires in Israel and requested donations, making cheques payable to "WIZO UK".

In conclusion, she thanked all the members and friends for their support and generous donations during the past year. It was good to know that their efforts and marvellous support were benefiting the vulnerable and needy women and children in Israel.

Election of Executive and Committee:

Executive: Chairman: Judy Curtis;

Treasurer & Membership Secretary: Suzanne Waller;

General Secretary & Publicity Officer: Audrey Kneller;

Social Secretary: Claire Levey.

Committee: Jeanette Goodman, Ura Saklow and Barbara Tobias.

Unfortunately, due to a literary lunch taking place in London, there was no speaker available from Head Office on this occasion, so Judy, at the suggestion of Anne Filer, contacted Head Office who sent a WIZO Quiz to test our knowledge, and this idea proved very successful.

Stamp Project: Barbara Tobias reported that the Project was going well. She is continuing to receive a great deal of stamps from the Shul Shop at BHC, from BRS, and friends around Bournemouth. Barbara also had stamp collections given to her, but invariably these did not raise as much money as expected. Collectively, in the past year, nationwide, these sales made over £1,000 for Israel.

Please remember to save all your used stamps – regardless of country of origin or value. A collection box stands in the Shul Shop during opening hours: Thursday: 10 – 2, Friday: 8.30 – 11.30 and Sunday: 10.00 – 12.00 or alternatively they can be left with a Shop volunteer at "Meet 'n Munch held on alternate Tuesdays in the Menorah Suite. Barbara Tobias collects these stamps and hands them to Lena Mothew who visits Bournemouth three or four times a year to take them to Poole where they are handed to a dealer to raise money for WIZO.

Following the meeting, an excellent tea was served by Barbara Tobias.

AUDREY KNELLER

■ **Wizo Events held since AGM:**

Sunday 15 January 2017:

A free event was held jointly with the League of Jewish Women in the Simcha Hall - a talk given by Judy Curtis's daughter, Suzie Curtis, entitled "Keep Fit, Keep Safe, Keep it Simple". Suzie is a qualified Personal Fitness Trainer and Self Defence Instructor, and the talk focused on safety and awareness. A delicious cream tea was served afterwards.

■ **Dates for your Diary:**

Sunday 7 May – Jewish Women's Week Coffee Morning – for further information please contact Judy Curtis: 01202 252123 or Audrey Kneller on 01202 394386 or ana180harewood@ntlworld.com

Sunday 5 February:

Film Show "Crossing Delancey". The Simcha Hall was packed for this romantic comedy set in New York's Lower East Side, which was followed by tea and cake.

For those who missed it, and would like to borrow the DVD, please contact Audrey Kneller on 01202 394386.]

Sunday 18 June at 2.30pm in the Simcha Hall – Afternoon Tea and Musical Recital with the Spectrum Palm Court Trio: Patricia Bonelli, pianist, Jozsef Koós, cello and Franck Leprince, violin/direction.

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■ For further information, please contact Judy Curtis: 01202 252123; Suzanne Waller: 01202 762942 or

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Madam

I was interested to read of the intention to introduce a course in Chinese tai chi ngong. A similar course was started in our shul in Liverpool. One of our members, Mrs Goldberg, decided to join.

She was a little nervous and on the day before the class, she rang and said she was interested in joining but was a little uncertain, for example, what clothes should she wear?

It doesn't really matter, she was told, but wear loose clothing Mrs Goldberg retorted: If I had any loose clothing I wouldn't be joining!

How about a parallel course for ladies and gentlemen in Jewish tea chi ng.

Bernard Wolfson

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FROM THE ALLOTMENT

Some of our members may know that Richard Saunders enjoys growing organic vegetables on his allotment near Wallisdown. Richard tries different vegetable seeds each year and we thought that our readers should be given the opportunity to name the variety of parsnip featured in the photograph on the right.

P.S. "Incontinence" has already been suggested.



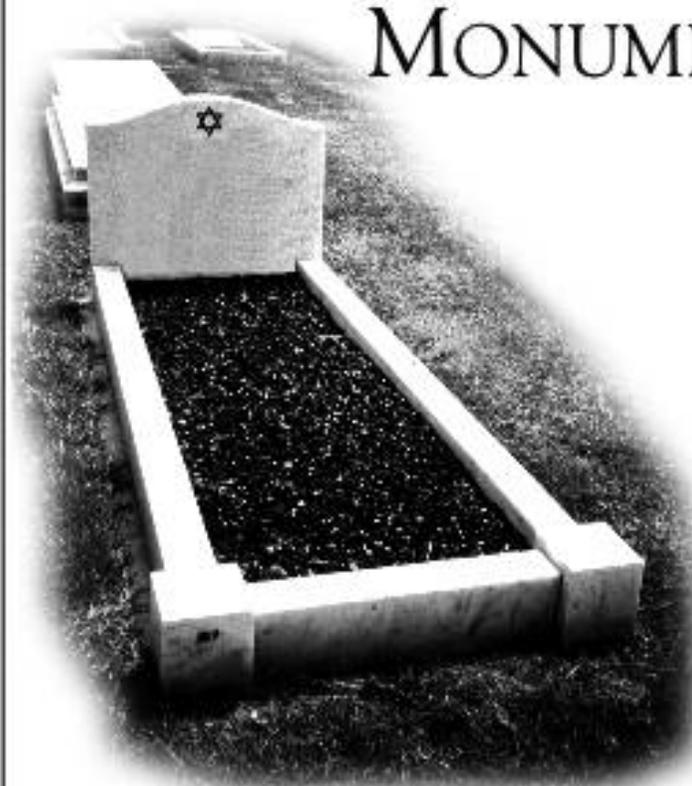
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Diary

APRIL

Shabbat 7/8 Shabbat HaGadol. Tzav.
 Sunday 9th Search for Chametz not before 8.44 p.m.
 Monday 10th Fast of the Firstborn begins 4.39 a.m.
 Erev Pesach. Light candles 7.34 p.m.
 Communal Seder
 Tuesday 11th First Day Pesach / Tal.
 Light candles for Second Day Pesach after 8.48 p.m.
 Wednesday 12th Second Day Pesach.
 Shabbat 14th/15th Shabbat Chol HaMoed.
 Sunday 16th Erev Yomtov. Light Candles 7.44 p.m.
 Monday 17th Seventh Day Pesach.
 Light candles for Eighth Day Pesach after 8.59 p.m.
 Tuesday 18th Eighth Day Pesach.
 Shir Hashirim. / Yizkor.
 Shabbat 21st/22nd Shmini.
 Kiddush to celebrate Shabbat Mevorchim and to celebrate the 80th birthday of Eve Cowan and of Gerald Wainer.
 Sunday 23rd Yom Hashoah - Holocaust Memorial Day begins at sundown.
 Film - 'East -West Street' in Menorah Suite.
 Monday 24th Yom Hashoah - Holocaust Memorial Day.
 Wednesday 26th 1st day Rosh Chodesh Iyar
 Thursday 27th 2nd day Rosh Chodesh Iyar
 Shabbat 28th/29th Tazria- Metzarah. Coffee and Kichels Kiddush.
 Sunday 30th Stone setting at Throop.
 The late Janice Greenman. 2.30 p.m.
 Stone Setting at Bushey.
 The late Bertha Nathan (mother of Spencer Nathan). 4.30 p.m.
 Yom Hazikaron begins at sundown.

MAY

Monday 1st Yom Hazikaron. Yom Ha'atzma'ut begins at sundown.
 Tuesday 2nd Yom Ha'atzma'ut.

Shabbat 5th/6th

Acharei Mot - Kedoshim.
 Kiddush to celebrate Brian Webb's 75th Birthday.
 Sephardi Minyan.

Sunday 7th

Jewish Women's Week. Coffee Morning at 10.30 a.m. at the home of Jonathan Kay.
 Stone Setting at Throop.
 The late Geoffrey Riser. 2.00 p.m.

Wednesday 10th

Pesach Sheni.

Shabbat 12th/13th

Emor.
 Coffee and Kichels Kiddush.
 Aryeh Dworkin davening.

Sunday 14th

Lag b'Omer.
 Israeli Food with Entertainment.
 Stone Setting at Throop.
 The late Muriel Rezler. 2.00 p.m.

Monday 15th

Special Adult Education Session: Six Day War Anniversary.
 Presentation by Ivor Weintroub.

Shabbat 19th/20th

Behar - Bechukotai.
 Kiddush to celebrate Shabbat Mevorchim.
 Sephardi Minyan.

Monday 22nd

Special Adult Education Session: Six Day War Anniversary.
 2 hour Documentary Film.

Tuesday 23rd

50th Anniversary of Six Day War.

Wednesday 24th

Yom Yerushalayim (Jerusalem Day).

Friday 26th

Rosh Chodesh Sivan

Shabbat 26th/27th

Bamidbar.
 Coffee and Kichels Kiddush.

Tuesday 30th

Erev Shavuot. Tikkun Leil.

Wednesday 31st

First Day Shavuot.
 Kiddush.
 Sephardi Minyan.
 Light candles for Second day after 10.19 p.m.

JUNE

Thursday 1st

Second Day Shavuot.
 Book of Ruth.

Yizkor.

Kiddush.

Shabbat 2nd/3rd

Naso.

Coffee and Kichels Kiddush.

Diary continued on next page

JUNE

Sunday 4th Stone Setting at Boscombe.
The late Samuel Mazin. 12 noon.
Stone Setting at Throop.
The late Anita Portnoi. 2.00 p.m.

Shabbat 9th/10th Becha'alotcha.
Coffee and Kichels Kiddush

Shabbat 16th/17th Shelach Lecha.
Kiddush to celebrate
Shabbat Mevorchim.

Shabbat 23rd/24th Korach.
Shabbat Rosh Chodesh 1st day
Tammuz.
Coffee and Kichels Kiddush.
Sephardi Minyan.

Sunday 25th 2nd day Rosh Chodesh Tammuz

Shabbat 30th/31st Chukat.
Coffee and Kichels Kiddush.

JULY

Sunday 2nd Stone Setting at Hollybrook
Cemetery Southampton. 2.00pm
The late Esmond (Trevor) Baker.

Wednesday 5th Balfour Declaration Lecture at
8.00 pm in the Menorah Suite.

Thursday 6th Balfour Declaration Lecture at
8.00 pm in the Menorah Suite.

Shabbat 7th/8th Balak.
Coffee and Kichels Kiddush.

Sunday 9th Stone Setting at Throop.
The late Irwyn Yentis. 1.00 p.m.
Stone Setting at Throop.
The late Ephraim (Eddie) Berkley
2.00 p.m.

Tuesday 11th Fast of Tammuz.

Shabbat 14th/15th Pinchas. Coffee and Kichels Kiddush.

Sunday 16th Stone Setting at Throop.
The late Ruby Herbert. 1.15 p.m.
Stone Setting at Throop.
The late Frederic Ballon. 2.00 p.m.
Stone Setting at Throop.
The late Alf Newton. 2.45 p.m.
Emunah Tea and Talk -
Time to be arranged

Shabbat 21st/22nd Matot – Masei.
Kiddush to celebrate Shabbat
Mevorchim.

Sunday 23rd Stone Setting at Kinson.
The late Hannah Taylor. 12.00 noon.

Monday 24th Rosh Chodesh Menachem Av

Shabbat 28th/29th Devarim. Shabbat Chazon.
Coffee and Kichels Kiddush.

Monday 31st Erev Tisha b'Av. Fast commences
8.54 p.m.

AUGUST

Tuesday 1st Tisha b'Av.

Shabbat 4th/5th Va'etchanan. Shabbat Nachamu.
Coffee and Kichels Kiddush.

Sunday 6th WIZO meeting. 2.30 p.m. Talk by
and at the home of Lynda Ford-
Horne.

Shabbat 11th/12th Ekev.
Coffee and Kichels Kiddush.

Shabbat 18th/19th Re'eh.
Kiddush to celebrate Shabbat
Mevorchim and to celebrate also
the 70th birthday of Tony Nairn
and of Richard Saunders. Anton
Eriera davening.

Tuesday 22nd 1st day Rosh Chodesh Ellul.

Wednesday 23rd 2nd day Rosh Chodesh Ellul.

Shabbat 25th/26th Shofetim.
Kiddush in celebration of
Judy Barwin's 70th birthday.

SEPTEMBER

Shabbat 1st/2nd Ki Tetzei.
Colum Lipsith's Aufruf.
Kiddush in celebration of
Colum Lipsith's Aufruf.

Shabbat 8th/9th Ki Tavo.
Coffee and Kichels Kiddush.

Shabbat 15th/16th Nitzavim – Vayelech.
Kiddush in celebration of
Brian Lassman's 70th Birthday.

Sunday 17th 1st day Selichot.
Stone Setting at Kinson.
The late Elsie Zadel. 12.30 p.m.
Stone Setting at Throop.
The late Ronald Miller 2.00 p.m.

Wednesday 20th Erev Rosh Hashanah.
Anton Eriera davening.

Thursday 21st First Day Rosh Hashanah.
Anton Eriera davening

Friday 22nd Second Day Rosh Hashanah.
Anton Eriera davening.

Israeli Dancing

Since 2001, a dedicated group of dancers have been meeting every week to enjoy beautiful Israeli music, exercise and socialise. Now, due to popular demand, we have now started an Israeli dancing session for absolute beginners. There is no age limit, and no fun limit. It's only for half an hour so why not come along on Tuesday nights at 7.00 in the Menorah Suite. See the shul notices for any changes of time or venue.

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Balfour Declaration Lectures

Speaker: Dr. Ya'akov Wise

Lecture 1

Wednesday 5th July 2017 at 8.00pm.

The events and the people who created the Balfour Declaration 1840-1917

Lecture 2

Thursday 6th July 2017 at 8.00pm.

Britain and its duplicitous retreat from the Balfour Declaration 1918-1948

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With Ori (Dora) Glaser

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