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Molly Meyerson Youth of the Year

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Message from the President



March came in like a lion and, actually, left like a lion as well, at least as far as the Men's Club is concerned. March happened to be a fun month since we were able to keep a couple a Men's Club traditions alive and well and we should all be proud of that.

We started off the month with the Patio Players returning with a live virtual performance totaling upwards of 225 viewers at it's peak. It took many hours of technical know-how from the master IT wizard Michael Prospect and a lot of wisdom from Stu Haimes to make this event run as seamlessly

as it did. Our 20 some odd performers and narrators weren't too bad either. Each one needed to design their own stage set, costume(s) and be their own lighting and sound technicians for the evening in addition to performing and providing their own musical accompaniment. As you all know the Patio Player's is the fund-raising lifeblood for our club. This year the Patio Players had the opportunity to pay their efforts forward and raise funds for another organization. The Hatzilu Rescue Organization was the beneficiary of our virtual performance, raising over \$2,000 in donations from cast members and viewers. The Hatzilu Rescue Organizations helps those in need across Long Island. We may have become very efficient in Zoom presentations, but this year we can say we've become experts at Food Drives, Coat Drives, Toy Drives, and collecting donations for our synagogue and the Jewish community. I think more than anything else, that is what we need to remember when we look back at the 2020-2021 Men's Club year.

Later on in the month we continued with another very important Men's Club tradition, delivering Yom Hashoah remembrance candles to each and every Plainview Jewish Center member's home. As you may remember last year we were not able to continue the tradition for obvious reasons, but this year we were not going to be stopped. Under the direction and guidance from Tom Atlas who will be passing along the Yom Hashoah torch to David Kubrick, who most graciously volunteered to learn all of Tom's tricks and secrets of the trade, mission accomplished. Thank you and a big Tov! Tov! Tov! to everyone who came down to box up, label, stamp and sort our candles this year. A special thank you to Al Karo, Merry Lewin, David Kubrick and Tom Atlas for constructing boxes and folding fliers prior to our get-together, all with the thought of minimizing personal contact. I cannot overstate enough what Tom Atlas has meant to the Men's Club Yom Hashoah program over the years. On behalf of myself and, I think it is safe to say, the entire club, we would like to send Tom our sincerest "Thank You!" for all you time and dedication over the last 27 years. Moving forward, I am very comfortable in knowing that we are in great hands now and into the future with David Kubrick at the helm! Tov! Tov! Tov! to both these gentlemen.

As we start winding down our year, I want to just remind everyone once again, if there is a program and or event that you want to see the Men's Club get involved with please do not hesitate to contact either myself or anyone on the Executive Board. With our existing Executive Board and Board of Directors we can get just about anything done, and I think we've proved it to both ourselves and our synagogue time and again this entire year.

As Always In Brotherhood, Steven 516-382-1681

Proposed Slate of Officers and Board Members

Below is the slate of board members submitted by our nominating committee chaired by Past President, Steve Taub.

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Proposed Amendments to the PJC Men's Club Constitution

Proposed amendments in Bold:

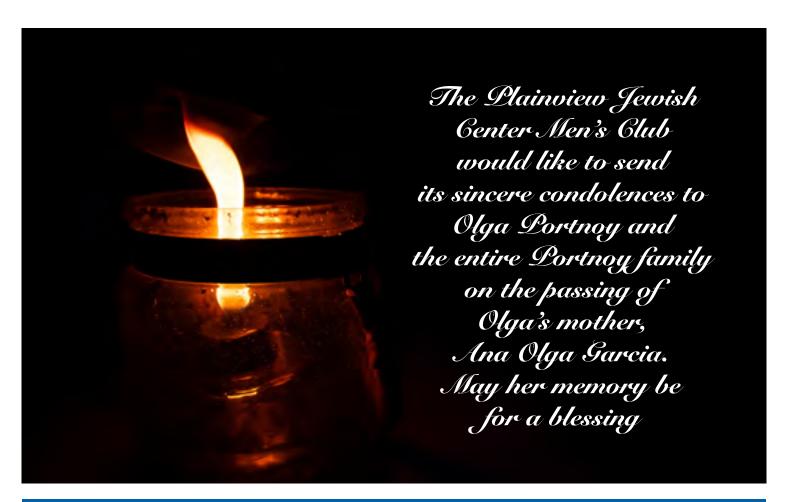
Section 1 - Titles of Officers -... Financial Secretary, Treasurer and Sergeant-at-Arms.

Section 9 - The Immediate Past President shall serve as an advisor to the Officers and to The Board of Directors of the Men's Club. He shall be entitled to appear at any and all meetings of the Officers, and regular and special meetings of the Men's Club and shall be entitled to vote at any and all such meetings as he may attend. The completion of either one term, where the President does not serve a second consecutive term, or the completion of two consecutive terms as President of the Men's Club, will automatically invest the outgoing President with the title, duties and privileges of Immediate Past President as described hereinabove. If he served for one term, The Immediate Past President shall serve for one (1) term; if he served for two consecutive terms, he shall serve for two (2) terms. There shall serve only one Immediate Past President per Term. Only the most recent outgoing President may become an Immediate Past President.

Section 10 - The Sergeant-at-Arms shall assist the presiding officer in maintaining order at all Men's Club Meetings.

Prior sections 9 and 10 shall be renumbered 11 and 12.

First draft, Jan. 20, 2021. Mitchell Kessler



Preparing Yom Hashoah Candles for Distribution - March 21



From left to right: Steve Taub, Joel Moskowitz, Mark Hochberg and Steve Glasser



From left to right: Stew Wasserman, Barry Smuckler, Jeff Reis and Jeff Kaden

April 2021

The following information is being shared courtesy of: jewishtreats@njop.org



Good Fences Make Good Neighbors?

The term "ghetto" has a sad connotation in Jewish history and a very negative association when referring to certain poor urban areas. The term's etymology, however, originates from a distinct area within the Italian city of Venice where the Jewish population was relegated. Linguists have not come to a consensus on the word ghetto's etymology. The most popular theory suggests that it comes from the Venetian word for "foundry," as the original ghetto in Venice was built where a factory had been situated that manufactured weapons for the Venetian government. Others claim it's related to the Hebrew word "Get," or Jewish bill of divorce, or separation. Others claim it comes from the Yiddish word "gehektes," meaning enclosed. Still other suggested derivations include the Latin "giudaicetum," the Italian word "borghetto," which means little town, or the Old French word "guect," meaning to guard.

While some ghettos in Europe served to force a separation of the Jews, who were considered alien from the general populace, others were created to serve as Jewish population centers, and may have even been affluent neighborhoods with high concentrations of Jews.

The first "ghetto" was established in Venice on the 8th of Iyar, 1516, corresponding to April 10. This was followed by Pope Paul IV's papal edict of February 27, 1562, Cum nimis absurdum, which implemented harsh restrictions on Jewish life in Renaissance Italy. As a result of the papal edict, Jews had to wear a yellow badge as a means of religious/ethnic identification, and limits were placed on Jewish ownership of property, commerce and banking. Jews were also restricted from selling items vital to life (i.e. food). As a result, Jews moved away from money-lending and banking, and began working as retailers of secondhand goods, such as pawn shop owners.

In addition to the term "ghetto," Jews also concentrated in areas known as "Jewish quarters." Often these were extensions of the ghettos, and were located in the least desirable part of the city. Ghettos and Jewish Quarters existed in most large European cities (there were dozens), in addition to sectioned off areas in Africa (Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia), Asia and the Middle East (China, India, Lebanon, Turkey, Iraq, Syria) and the Americas (Argentina, Brazil, Venezuela, Mexico, the United States and Canada).

Prior to, and during, World War II, the "Third Reich" established ghettos for the most notorious of reasons. In the ghettos, Jews were separated into able workers and those unable to work, who would be murdered. In 1942 the Nazis initiated Operation Reinhard, which forced Jews into ghettos (not always set up in the traditional area where Jews lived), and functioned as staging areas for the eventual deportation to death camps.

Hom Hashdah Program

Yom Hashoah 2021
Light a Yellow Candle to Commemorate
76 Years of Freedom and the Continuing Fight
Against Bias and Hatred

eventy six years ago, Nazi concentration camps were liberated, and the Holocaust that claimed six million Jewish lives came to an end. To ensure that the six million did not die in vain and that the Holocaust never happens again, the Plainview Jewish Center will join Jews throughout North America by participating in the Yom Hashoah Yellow Candle Program, a program of the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs.

As the years pass, the memories of those who fell victim to the ultimate hate crime must not diminish. That's why we are encouraging your family to light just one yellow candle on the night of April 8th, for the 27th day of Nisan.

When each family lights a yellow candle, it will increase the awareness of the Holocaust and perpetuate our commitment to our people.

The memory is important because the number of Holocaust survivors is diminishing with each passing day. As we lose this precious link, those who deny the Holocaust ever happened gain strength. Sadly, 20% of all high school students have no knowledge of the Holocaust. They are ripe for the revisionist history we wish to avoid.

Yom Hashoah candles are a highly visible symbol for keeping the flame alive. Their color recalls the badges Jews were forced to wear in Nazi-Europe, but their flame inspires hope that we can yet make our world a tolerant place to live.

The Plainview Jewish Center Men's Club is distributing Yom Hashoah yellow candles to our congregation to ensure that the light of freedom and tolerance continues to shine.

David Kubrick, Committee Chairman PIC Men's Club



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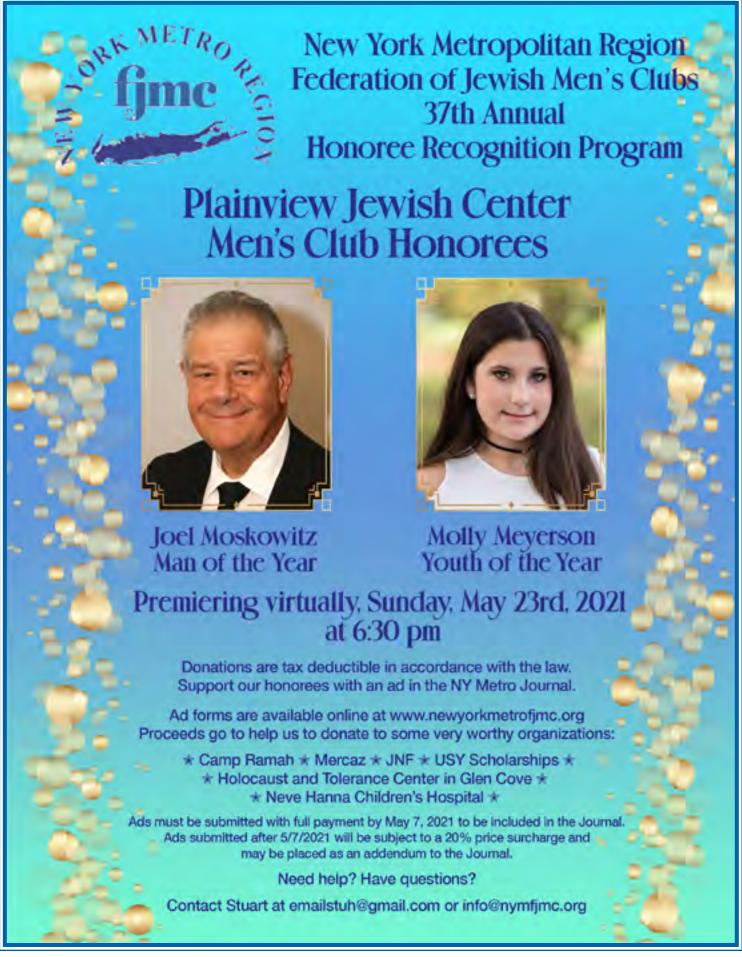
A Memorial In The United States

When the cornerstone for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum was laid in October 1988, there were those who wondered why the country needed a Holocaust museum. Over forty million visitors later, it has become a fundamental part of the nation's museum infrastructure.

The concept of a national memorial to the Holocaust was conceived of by President Jimmy Carter, who established the President's Commission on the Holocaust on November 1, 1978, and appointed Holocaust survivor and noted author Elie Wiesel as its chair. A little under a year later, the commission recommended the creation of a museum, a recommendation that was approved unanimously by Congress on October 7, 1980. Government-owned land was given and private funds were raised. The museum opened on April 26, 1993.

The naturally emotional displays on the Holocaust are presented in a thoughtful and evocative manner that is enhanced by the museum's unique architecture. Within the stark brick and limestone exterior are rooms of disquieting asymmetry. Visitors are encouraged to make their visit more than just a review of historical facts by connecting to a specific individual via a passport of an actual victim of the Holocaust that the visitors carry with them throughout the three floors of the exhibit. The Permanent Exhibit is divided by floors: Nazi Assault – 1933 to 1939, The Final Solution – 1940 to 1945 and Last Chapter. Additionally, the museum has a special interactive child-friendly exhibit called "Remember the Children: Daniel's Story."

The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum is also a major research hub and maintains one of the largest collections of Holocaust artifacts. Additionally, the museum provides education on the Holocaust in order to prevent future tragedies of genocide. To this end, the museum's National Institute for Holocaust Education provides ethics education based on the lessons of the Holocaust to a wide range of public service professionals. It also maintains the Committee on Conscience, which watches for, and recommends, action on contemporary hot spots for crimes against humanity.



Tuesday, April 6 at 8:30 pm

HEARING MEN

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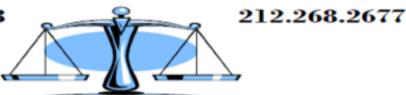
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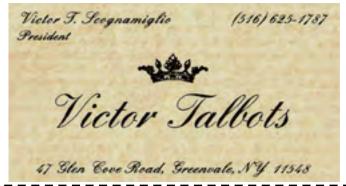
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APRIL

Tuesday

6 8:30 pm



Hearing Men's Voices

Thursday

7:30 pm



Yom Hashoah

Tuesday

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8:30 pm



Texas Hold 'Em

Tuesday
27
7:30 pm/
8:30 pm



BBQ/Board Meeting:

MAY

Saturday

15 8:30 pm



Dueling Pianos

Tuesday
7:30 pm



Awards Dinner

Tuesday
18

8:30 pm



Texas Hold 'Em

Tuesday

15
8:30 pm



Texas Hold 'Em

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BBQ/Board Meeting

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Last Month's Answers

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

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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a Sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. the more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle! For tips on how to solve Sudoku puzzles go to: https://www.howcast.com/videos/202656-how-to-solve-a-sudoku-game