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(Rabbi) Nimon Says

Keep Your Calendar Handy

We think of the fall as the busy time on the Jewish calendar. Rosh Hashanah comes on Tishri 1st. On the 10th we are observing Yom kippur. Five days later we are out in our Sukkah for the weeklong holiday of the Festival of Booths, otherwise known as Sukkot. That holiday ends and we celebrate the start of the Torah reading cycle, Simhat Torah. Little wonder we need the next month, Heshan, to come along without any holidays to allow us to take a break.



Now we are approaching six months later and while our Jewish calendar isn't going to be as full as Tishri, we do need to be more aware of the ebb and flow of time. In the middle of the Jewish month of Shvat we celebrated the New Year of the Trees. This year, like last year, we held a number of special activities for that holiday that were facilitated by our ISJL Educator, Sarah Silverman.

Purim Celebration Wednesday, March 7th At 7:00 P.M. (pictures on page 5)

A month later, in the middle of Adar we will be celebrating Purim. This year our children will have their celebration in religious school and at a Purim Carnival being put on by our NOTY youth group. We are going to hold an adult Purim celebration (our older students can come if parents give their ok) complete with costumes and drinks! Remember, this is the one time of year that our Sages said it was permitted to get so drunk we can't tell the difference between saying: "Praised be Mordecai" and "Cursed be Haman." Check the calendar for the time and date of our Purim celebration. Please call me if you would like to be in our Purim Shpiel. You don't need any prior acting experience!

Another Program to put on your Calendar: Limmudfest on March 10th & 11th
Plan on taking advantage of the great educational experiences awaiting you at Limmudfest on March 10th and 11th to
be held at Tulane University. A separate flyer announcing Limmudfest is found elsewhere in this Hakol.

NO SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE ON THE FIRST FRIDAY OF APRIL

A month after Purim or two months later when it is a Jewish leap year, we commemorate our living Egypt by celebrating Passover. This year Passover begins on Friday, April 6th. Because we hope our NJC community will be at a Seder that evening, WE WILL NOT BE CONDUCTING SHABBAT EVENING SERVICES that night. Please contact me if you can host additional people at your seder that night to if you would like a place to go. Every effort will be made to accommodate people. On Saturday, April 7th we will hold a Seder at NJC for our members and friends. Check the HaKol for details.

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Rabbi John R. Nimon

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Less than two weeks later we remember the nightmare of the Holocaust. The date set aside annually for this is is Nisan 27th, which this year corresponds to Wednesday evening, April 18th until sunset on the 19th. This year NJC will be holding two special programs in observance of Yom Hashoah.

Av Szyller to be Special Speaker On the Holocaust Wednesday, April 17th

Our own member and a past President of NJC, Av Szyller, will show pictures from his childhood in France and talk about how the French rounded up the Jews to send them to concentration camps. We will hear how he journey on foot through the mountains to escape the fate that awaited so many others, including some of his relatives. Last year Av delivered this talk to hundreds at the Stennis Space Center. We are indeed fortunate to have this opportunity to hear his moving true story. Some details still have to be finalized so keep checking your mail.

Dr. Edward Hafer to Present Lecture on Netherlands Concentration Camp

NJC is making arrangements for Dr. Hafer, a professor at the University of Mississippi, to speak to us about his research about a cabaret that the prisoners put on at the Westerbork concentration camp in the Netherlands. Dr. Hafer has a moving presentation that will illuminate for us the lengths that Jewish victims went to try to maintain their sense of worth even in the darkest days of the war. We hope that either or both of the talks by Dr. Szyller and Dr. Hafer will be open to the greater population of Mandeville and to the student population in particular. Please keep looking for announcements about these programs in the next few weeks.

A MESSAGE FROM THE NJC PRESIDENT, IRA ROSENZWEIG

We have many great programs planned at the NJC in the next few months, and I'd like to highlight just a few.

An enjoyable time was had by all as we celebrated Purim with an interesting Megillah presentation planned by Frank Levy and performed by many of our members. We had hamentaschen and schnapps and sparkling grape juice for the kids. Thanks to **Patti Oppenheim** for arranging the gift bags and to the **Sister-hood** for baking the hamentaschen.

On **March 25th**, starting at 6 p.m., our *NJC Presents!* program continues with an unbelievable jazz concert. The concert features three stellar local jazz performers, Leah Chase, Don Vappie and Mark Brooks. Tickets are only \$18. This is a great opportunity to bring your friends to the NJC for an evening of great entertainment. **Cheryl Klein** has done a tremendous job organizing this concert.

April 18th is **Yom Hashoah**, Holocaust Remembrance Day. In connection with this important day, the NJC will hold a special program featuring our own **Av Szyller** speaking about his personal experiences during the period of Nazi atrocities. Av's talk will be joined with a presentation by **Dr. Edward Hafer** of the University of Southern Mississippi about his research into a unique cabaret performed by Jews in a Nazi concentration camp. Both these presentations promise to be engaging and moving and should not be missed. We will be inviting the entire Northshore community, so this will be a very important night for the NJC. We will provide more details as the program nears.

On a lighter note, the NJC will celebrate **Lag B'Omer** with a congregational picnic on **Saturday, May** 12th, at **Joni Soboloff's** home. After a relaxing afternoon we will conclude the day with an outdoor Havdalah service.

Finally, although it is some months away, mark your calendars for **November 3rd**. That's when we will hold our **Annual Gala**. **Mark Wolfe** has come out of Gala retirement to head up this effort, and we are looking forward to great evening.

These are just a few of the wonderful events to take advantage of at the NJC. Keep checking our regular emails and our **Facebook** page for more information and announcements.

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Northshore Jewish Congregation

Presents

An Evening of Music with......



Mark Brooks bass



Leah Chase vocals



Don Vappie guitar

Sunday, March 25, 2012

6:00 pm

Admission: \$18 per person

1403 N. Causeway Blvd. Mandeville

Call NJC at 985-951-7976 or email admin@northshorejewish.org to RSVP

For more information Cheryl Klein 985-630-7640



FRIDAY NIGHT TORAH SERVICE March 9

NOTY EVENTS:

PURIM PARTY FOR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SUNDAY, MARCH 11 10 a.m. SHABBAT SERVICES FRIDAY, MARCH 16 7:30 p.m.

RABBI NIMON'S



INTRO TO HEBREW TUESDAYS 7P.M.



INTRO TO JUDAISM TUESDAYS 8:15 P.M.



Welcome to New Members
Daniela Lachster &
Sebastien Zupnik
& family

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THE 2012 ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON

MONDAY, APRIL 30TH AT 7 P.M.

THE CONGREGATION IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

At the meeting, pursuant to our new Bylaws, you will be asked to vote to fill three open positions on the Board of Trustees. If you are interested in serving on the Board, or if you know someone you believe will be a worthy candidate for the Board, please contact Miriam Fleischer. Miriam is the chair of our nominating committee,

Also, in addition to those members recommended for the Board by the nominating committee, our Bylaws allow members to petition for nomination. Petitions must be recieved 45 days prior to the meeting.

and her email address is miriamnjc@gmail.com.



NJC SISTERHOOD

Our next book club selection is All Other Nights by Dara Horn. We will meet at 7:30 on Tuesday, March 27th. This novel begins with a Passover Seder in New Orleans during the Civil War. The book is available in paperback and all forms of ebook. We hope you will join us.



GARBAGE BAGS 13 GALLON 36 GALLON WASTE BASKET

STORAGE BAGS **QUART & GALLON**

PAPER TOWELS



PLASTIC CUPS & **TABLECLOTHES**

SWIFFER WET JET **SUPPLIES**

NEW OR GENTLY **USED VACUUM CLEANER**



On February 24th, the NJC Sanctuary was dedicated in memory of Marilyn Zackin's parents, Irbin & Sara Pailet and her sister, Ada Pailet.



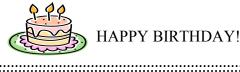


<u>R'fuah Shleimah</u>

Sally Rosenblum Ian Steinberg Al Reznik Judyth Reznik

CONDOLENCES

Elsa Bates on the loss of her brother, Raymondo Hernandaz



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Robin Bronston **Debby Chaudoir** Joan Cox Mike Fawer Glenn Gaethe Christopher Gervais Tracy Gold

Samuel Goldstein

Matthew Gould Michael Hertzig Robert Knights Alexis O'Connell Jesse Rosenzweig Robert Shepard Ellen Steigman

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2nd NIGHT PASSOVER NON-DAIRY POT-LUCK SEDER SATURDAY, APRIL 7th

NJC WILL PROVIDE THE CEREMONIAL FOODS,
YOU BRING YOUR FAVORITE PASSOVER DISHES
A DOODLE WILL BE CREATED SOON.

TO HELP DEFRAY THE COSTS,
GUESTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY
\$18 per ADULT \$9 per CHILD (over 5)



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
22	23			1	2 Yoga 10am Level II Hebrew 10:30am	3 Shabbat Services 10 a.m.
4 R.S. 9:30-11:30am	5 BOARD MEETING 7PM HS 4:30-6p.m.	6 Intro to : Hebrew 7pm Judaism 8:15pm	7 Purim Service	8	9 Level II Hebrew 10:30am Torah Shabbat Services 7#0pm	10 Shabbat Services 10 a.m.
11 NOTY PURIM PARTY 10am R.S. 10-11:30am	12 HS 4:30-6p.m.	13 Intro to : Hebrew 7pm Judaism 8:15pm Torah Study 7:15pm	14	15	16 Level II Hebrew 10:30am Shabbat Services 7:30pm NOTY led	17 Torah Shabbat Services 10 a.m.
18 R.S. 9:30-11:30am	19 HS 4:30-6p.m.	20	21	22	23 Level II Hebrew 10:30am Shabbat Services 7#0pm	24 Shabbat Services 10 a.m.
NJC Presents 6 p.m.	26	27 Intro to : Hebrew 7pm Judaism 8:15pm Torah Study	28	29	30 Level II Hebrew 10:30am Shabbat Services 7#0pm	31 Shabbat Services 10 a.m.

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TORAH STUDY WITH KEN HOLLADAY

Tuesdays 7:15 p.m.

March 13 & 27



The Archives Committee would like to remind everyone about the Archive

collection box located in the library. Any old photos or memorabilia from NJC's past are desired.



Now collecting non-perishable food items for the Mandeville Food Bank.

Please drop items off in the basket located in the foyer.