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#### Join Us for a Unique Elul Book Talk & Whiskey Tasting Wednesday September 14, 7:30 pm

Tryin' to Get to Heaven Before They Close the Door: Bob Dylan, T'shuvah & Awakening the Spiritual Senses

with author Stephen Daniel Arnoff, PhD

The Talk and Tasting are In-Person Events. However a Zoom Option for the Talk will be Available To Register by Zoom use this link: https://tinyurl.com/OZDylan922



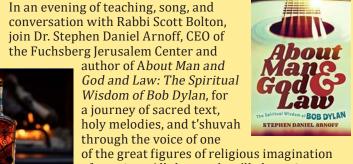
Let the music wake us, the poetry move us, and the words and whiskey heighten our senses. Elul, the month during which the shofar sounds, is a time to prepare in every way possible. The High Holy

Days are the centerpieces during the definitive Jewish season for reflection about life's purpose. The ability to achieve both spiritual humility and daring in the

form of t'shuvah, or repentance, has to be nurtured. Bob Dylan has been wrestling with these themes for more than sixty years, guiding popular music, to affirm what it means to live in the light of the divine, and coloring our

most intimate moments with poetry. In an evening of teaching, song, and

> of our time. All that, and we'll also enjoy an exclusive tasting of Bob Dylan's signature (and hard-to-find) brand of whiskey, Heaven's Door.



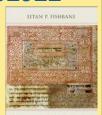
### Online to In Person: A New Start for the OZ Art Gallery in the New Year Sunday, September 18. See Page 3.

T'shuvah as Spiritual and Moral Transformation in Jewish Mysticism with Eitan Fishbane, PhD, Professor of Jewish Thought, JTS

Wednesday August 31, 7:00 pm via Zoom Register for Zoom Link: https://tinyurl.com/DrFishbane0Z922



ow have Jewish mystics understood the meaning and practice of t'shuvah? As we prepare for the upcoming High Holy Days, we will reflect on texts and ideas that illuminate the ways in which kabbalists and hasidic preachers have offered insight into the ways in which we may grow and repair through moral self-reflection; how we may cultivate a spiritual life in which the light of God and the sacred shines through the face of the other person and broader community that we are called to love in compassion and empathy; how we may learn to see the world with a wider and refreshed spiritual awareness and presence of mind.





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# President's Message

by Isaac Nagiel



halom!
I hope
everyone
is having
a wonderful
summer and
taking some
time to recharge,

reconnect with old friends, and maybe even travel.

The pandemic ushered in a brave new digital world where "Zooming" became common parlance and virtual cocktail hours with friends over Zoom was the new social reality. In response to the pandemic, some of us have become accustomed to leading more digital lives while others have had the opposite reaction—seeking out inperson interactions with a renewed gusto.

I hadn't really thought about it until my wife recently remarked that I definitely fall into the latter camp. In the past, I might have demurred about going to a friend's apartment to watch a basketball game late on a weeknight, but now I don't think twice. In fact, as I was writing this message deep into the night, I got a last-minute text to join a friend to go fishing at 6:00 am the next morning, which, despite the early start, I gladly accepted. We had a great time, and it brought up interesting halakhic questions that I discussed with Rabbi Bolton. Can

you use non-kosher bait to catch a kosher fish?

My response to the pandemic reminded me of the powerful message the mohel at our son's bris shared five years ago - people often run to funerals and skip the simhahs. Run to the simhahs as well! It's a message I find myself living by ever more so.

I know it may seem like a small act to decide to meet up for a drink, or to watch a sporting event with a few friends, or to go to shul for morning minyan, but after what we have lived through, I consider every opportunity to get together in person with family, good friends, and a caring community a simhah worth running to. To schmooze in person is a simhah worth savoring.

You should have received by now your membership renewal package. We need you to renew your membership by August 15th. Our Rosh Hashanah, Kol Nidre, and Yom Kippur services will again be held in Wallace Hall at Park Avenue between 83rd and 84th Streets. Evening services for Rosh Hashanah will be held in our building on East 82nd Street. As has been the case for the past couple years, we will also livestream services for members who may not feel comfortable or are unable to attend in-person.

I wish you a wonderful summer, filled with simhas big and small!



# Online to in Person: A New Start for the Gallery in the New Year Sunday, September 18

ike many of you, the OZ Gallery Committee has shifted into summer mode—taking it a little easier and reflecting on the busy year gone by. Mindful that the New Year is looming, we are looking forward with hope and joy to the High Holy Days' spirit of renewal.

First, some notes on the past months: "Fabric of Survival: The Art of Esther Nisenthal Krinitz," the Gallery's last inperson exhibition, came down in the autumn of 2019. It was succeeded by "Images of Creation in the OZ Gallery," a display of ten prints based on the creation narrative in Bereshit by Rudi Wolff, the artist and graphic designer who designed the OZ logo. While the building remained

dark, these colorful, vibrant works were on the walls when COVID forced the shuttering of Or Zarua in March of 2020. And they have remained in place since then, gracing our Social Hall and welcoming back all who have been able to



Helene McQuade (left) and Bernice Steinhardt, daughters of Esther Nisenthal Krinitz, at the Opening Gala for "Fabric of Survival, " April 28, 2019

return to our building. Now it is time for the next step. On Sunday, September 18, the OZ Gallery Committee will

present its first in-person new art exhibition in almost three years. "Wonder and Illumination" will showcase the artist

Barbara Wolff, whose exquisite work uses the demanding techniques of medieval illumination to illustrate and accompany the Hebrew poetry of Psalm 104 and the Song of Songs. A fuller description of this luminous exhibition will be found in the next OZ Newsletter. Please save the date and plan to join us for this gala evening and celebration of our reopening.

Til then, we hope you relish the remainder of the summer and please stay safe and be well!.

—The OZ Gallery Committee



# **OROT Is Back!!**

A fter two years on sabbatical, our congregational journal is open and ready for your reflections, opinions, essays, poems; in short, the personal light that only you can shine on the Days of Awe. Perhaps you'll want to use your personal reflections to compose a poem or a short story at this most introspective and sacred time of the year. Or, maybe you have an idea but need some editorial/literary guidance. Never fear, we are here to help you bring your work to fruition. For inspiration, you are welcome to peruse back copies of the journal by requesting some from Helene Santo (hsanto@orzarua.org).

Congregant Shelley Saposnik will edit the 5783 edition. Become a contributor by emailing Shelley (<a href="mailto:shelleysaposnik@gmail.com">shelleysaposnik@gmail.com</a>). Both she and Rabbi Bolton are available to talk through what written piece you would like to submit. Develop a theme or topic by emailing Rabbi Bolton (<a href="mailto:rabbibolton@orzarua.org">rabbibolton@orzarua.org</a>).

As we experience Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur together, OROT provides an adjunct to our services as we learn how congregants feel about prayer, community, liturgy and are able to share with each other our inner longings and strivings for the new year. So, don't be shy. We are egalitarian and accept contributions of any kind from our elder members to OZ professionals to our youngest budding poets and essayists, from those who have scholarly wisdom to impart to those who can provide a bit of laughter and whimsy. We look forward to engaging with you on any of your creative endeavors for OROT. Send your contribution for Orot to Shelley Saposnik (shelleysaposnik@gmail.com) by August 15.



#### What makes Or L'Atid Hebrew School different?

The parents in our community set learning as a high priority, and their kids feel that. Children are eager to learn and explore all that our tradition has to offer.

Our Hebrew School students experience real, deep Jewish learning. But it's more than that – it's Jewish living.

#### **Learning extends into students' homes**, with students

taking initiative to expand on what we've done in Hebrew School. This year, when we began our study of the Omer after Pesah, a student said she had taken out the Omer Counter she had made last year in Hebrew School so that she could count at home. Another student brought in a Seder Plate that he had 3D printed the week before Pesah, proudly showing off his work to his classmates.

We have meaningful ongoing discussions about how Jewish people living as a minority in New York weigh questions of halacha in the context of daily life. "What if someone is given a deadline for an assignment on Shabbat afternoon?" students ask. "If someone doesn't sell their hametz before Pesah, but puts it away in a pantry, is that ok?"

#### Students connect personally to their Jewish identity.

"If all of my grandparents were born in New York, am I Ashkenazi or Sephardi?" "If my mom is Persian, do we eat kitniyot?" "What about Swedish Jews?"

Of course, many of the questions are prompted by our curriculum. However, it's the students' excitement and interest, along with their serious consideration of how we live Jewishly, that make the discussions so profound and so personal. It's part of what makes Or Zarua and our Hebrew School truly unique.

We're looking forward to another great year of learning. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to be in touch with Sigal.

# See you at OZ in the fall!

Please see page 5 for this year's Hebrew School class schedule.

Sign up by August 1 to automatically receive Early Bird rates and by July 5 for an additional re-enrollment discount for returning students.

Sign up by July 5 to guarantee after-school pickup (within our pickup radius, see registration form for details).

#### To register, visit

https://tinyurl.com/OZHebrewSchool22

Be sure to fill out ONE registration form per family!

Help us spread
the word!
Share with friends and
connect them
with Sigal,
shirsch@orzarua.org.

# 2022-2023 HEBREW SCHOOL SCHEDULE

#### Kindergarten-2nd Grade

#### Mondays, 4:00-6:00 pm

Our youngest students begin their journeys of Jewish learning focusing on the most fundamental Jewish skills and knowledge.

#### 3rd-5th Grade

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In 3rd-5th grade, students will build on existing skills and knowledge and dive deeper into Jewish learning.

#### B'nei Mitzvah Scholars, 6th & 7th Grade

#### Wednesdays, 5:00-6:30 pm

Our B'nei Mitzvah Scholars will elevate their Jewish learning as they approach Bar and Bat Mitzvah.

# Jews in Folktales, Literature, Humor and Hollywood with Rabbi Bolton

Monthly Mondays, 6:00-7:30 pm, dates to be posted

for Middle School and High School

#### **Hebrew with Sigal**

for 8th Grade and up, day and time TBD











On Friday, July 15, the weather was perfect and members were able to enjoy a delicious Shabbat dinner from Grill Point along with great conversation on the Or Zarua roof.

The Board of Trustees sponsored a special dessert to celebrate the 10-year anniversary of Rabbi Bolton and his family at Or Zarua.

Watch for more celebrations in the fall.

#### Tisha B'Av Services

#### Saturday, August 6

8:05 pm: Fast Begins

9:00 pm: Ma'ariv with Reading of Megillat Eikhah and Kinot

#### Sunday, August 7

8:45 am: Shaharit with Torah Reading, Haftarah, and

7:30 pm: Minhah with T'fillin

and Ma'ariv 8:38 pm: Fast Ends

Or Zarua Book Discussions will resume this Fall.

Have you recently read or heard of a book that explores Jewish themes or issues? Please share your recommendations for future discussion selections by contacting the synagogue office (<a href="mailto:dwenger@orzarua.org">dwenger@orzarua.org</a>).

Wishing everyone a happy, healthy summer!

# Or Zarua 2022 Summer Learning Classes Jewish Law Seminar with Rabbi Bolton: Abortion, Privacy and Halakhah

#### were recorded and are available online

Go To: https://tinyurl.com/SummerTalmudOZ2022

udaism guides our everyday lives and informs our approaches to the most difficult decisions we are required to make. Rabbi Bolton offered a 3-session course that served as an exploration of sources from the Torah, Talmud and Halakhah throughout Jewish history that address the ancient—yet very contemporary—issues of abortion and privacy. While halakhic decisions consider individual circumstances, we will ask about whether major trends and approaches can be defined. We avoid the question "what does Judaism say about...?" unless we mean by that an investigation into the variety of sources and responsa that have been written over the ages about any given topic. Watch the videos and learn about the variety of approaches and perspectives regarding abortion in Jewish law, and explore the notion of privacy as Jewish legal texts have approached it.

# **Morning Minyan**

Summer is in full swing and morning minyan is going to Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays (Zoom), and Thursdays. We will resume a fuller schedule starting on Sunday, September 11th. Remember that minyan starts 8:45 am on Sundays and 7:15 am during the week.

Feel free to contact Shelly Adler at: <a href="mailto:sadler568@gmail.com">sadler568@gmail.com</a>
to discuss options for yahrzeits or about which days need your help making the minyan.

#### **Siddur Gems**

Go to

https://tinyurl.com/OZSiddurGems for



a first video on Modeh Ani: A Soulfelt Attitude of Gratitude. Siddur Gems are teachings about Jewish liturgy and our prayer-

lives. Rabbi Bolton explores the language of t'fillot, music for our prayers, the history of liturgy and the themes and ideas behind our sacred poetry.

# **New Or Zarua Board Members**

#### Six Congregants Join the Class of 2025

#### **Maria Chudnovsky**



aria Chudnovsky was born in the former Soviet Union and grew up in Israel. She received her B.A. and M.Sc. from the Technion, and completed her military

service in the research branch of the Israel Armament Development Authority. She then moved to the US and received a PhD from Princeton University in 2003. Currently she is a professor of Mathematics at Princeton. Before returning to Princeton in 2015, she was a Liu Family Professor of Industrial Engineering and Operations Research (IEOR) at Columbia University. She is an editorial board member of several journals in her field; she has also served on scientific advisory boards for a number of institutions. Maria has received a number of prizes for her work, including the Clay Mathematics Institute research fellowship, the Fulkerson Prize that is awarded jointly by the American Mathematical Society and the Mathematical Optimization Society. and the MacArthur Foundation Fellowship. Maria is also the proud mother of Rafi and the loving wife of Daniel Panner.

# NEW YOR

#### Joe Griminger

y wife (Amy Doberman) and I have been members of Or Zarua for the past four years. I currently work as a Judaics and general studies substitute teacher

for grades 1-5 at the Abraham Joshua Heschel School. Prior to Heschel, I taught fifth grade (Judaics and general studies) at the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day school in Rockville, Maryland and at the Leffell School (previously, the Solomon Schechter of Westchester) in White Plains, New York. I have a Masters of Iewish Education from the Jewish Theological Seminary and a MEd from the University of Illinois. Prior to my career in teaching, I worked for Boeing, McDonnell Douglas, and the U.S. Army on IT contracts primarily for NASA and the DOD. I have previously served on the boards of Ohr Kodesh Congregation in Chevy Chase, Maryland and the Westchester Jewish Center in Mamaroneck, New York. At both of these synagogues, I was involved in adult and youth education programming. After moving to New York City five years ago, my wife and I discovered a spiritual home at

Or Zarua. We have found the OZ community welcoming and the services and learning meaningful. When not working, I enjoy hiking, theater, rock music and watching the Yankees. As a new Board member, I pledge to work diligently on behalf of our members.

#### **Cary Sidlett Gunther**



ary Sidlett Gunther is a lifelong New Yorker, having grown up less than a mile from Or Zarua. She is a physician who is board certified in neurology, psychiatry and brain injury medicine.

Her medical practice focuses on treating neurodegenerative diseases and head injury. She also teaches medical students and residents at Weill Cornell Medical College. A rather obsessed Mets fan, she is also the proud owner of a pair of seats rescued from Shea Stadium and has visited more than 50 major and minor league baseball stadiums around the country. She is married to James Miller and is the proud mother of Hannah (10) and Gideon (8), two Or L'Atid students who are learning Hebrew but also know how to properly score a baseball game. When she is not working or making dessert with her children, she runs (14 marathons!) and swims.

#### **Sharon Shorofsky Mack**



Sharon Shorofsky
Mack is the Lower
School Head at the
Abraham Joshua Heschel
School. She holds her
Bachelors Degree from
Barnard College and a
Masters Degree from the

Harvard Graduate School of Education. Prior to working at Heschel, she was the Founding Director of The Jewish Community Project (JCP) Early Childhood Center, which she ran for 12 years and where she also served as Director of Education for the Organization, overseeing the Hebrew School. Sharon was also the Founding Director of the Brotherhood Synagogue Nursery School. Sharon has presented at NYSAEYC and ATIS on the topics of The Resource Collaboration Model, Using Context, Collaboration and Observation to Realize Abilities in All Children. She is the recipient of the JCP Leadership Award (2014) as well as the Blackboard Award for Outstanding School Leader, one of three recipients city-wide

(2014). Sharon enjoys spending time with her family including her children Rebecca, Jonathan, and Shira who have grown up at Or Zarua, her son-in-law Raphie, and her husband Alex. She is excited to be returning to the OZ Board where she previously served from 2003-2013.

#### **Brian Sahn**



Brian and his wife Emilya and daughters Chloe and Annie reside on the Upper East Side and have been active members of OZ, where both girls attended our Hebrew School and had their Bat Mitzvahs. Brian grew up in Great Neck,

received his undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan, and his J.D. from Yeshiva University's Cardozo School of Law. Brian is a partner at the law firm of Forchelli Deegan Terrana LLP where he is co-chair of his firm's Real Estate Practice group, representing clients in commercial real estate and finance transactions. Brian also serves on the Board of Directors of the U.S. Green Building Council—Long Island Chapter, and has authored several articles and presented several panels on developments in green building practices.

Brian is an ardent Zionist, and he and his family have travelled many times to Israel. He is also passionate about Israeli food and wine, and has taken up many cooking adventures of Israeli and Middle Eastern dishes. He believes in a strong community rooted in our shared heritage, texts and teachings, and he looks forward to his tenure in serving on the OZ Board.

#### **Keely Zaientz**



Reely Zaientz has had the privilege of being part of the Or Zarua community since 2008. By day she works as a middle school teacher on the Upper East Side along with sitting

on the board of a non-profit she co-founded called College Students for Enrichment in Secondary Schools. Her sons attend Schechter Manhattan where she is part of the Education Committee. She lives in the neighborhood with her husband and two sons aged 9 and 5.

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# **Israel Opportunities & News**

# Israel Is Going Green

With minor modifications to existing technology or making changes to a company's mission, startups are positioning Israel as an innovative leader for fighting environmental challenges.

Link: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/GreenIsrael0708">https://tinyurl.com/GreenIsrael0708</a>



# Israeli Technology Protecting Millions in Ghana from Floods

https://tinyurl.com/IsraelHelpingGhana0708





Lifta, or Mei Naftoach, by the entrance to Jerusalem. Lifta's central location offers Biblical heritage, a

rich history, and great swimming too! For the story go to:

https://tinyurl.com/OffBeatenTrack0708

# Israeli Scientists Develop Method to Grow Sperm in the Lab

Link: https://tinyurl.com/GrowingSperm0708



# Torah Scroll Funded by Recycled Bottles Dedicated to Fallen IDF Soldier

https://tinyurl.com/RecycledBottleDedication0708

he Times of Israel Community is excited to present our new virtual cooking series, B'Teavon, where world renowned chefs show ToI readers like you how to make classic and modern Israeli dishes.

On each session of B'teavon (that's Hebrew for bon appetit), our expert chef introduces an irresistible new dish and walks you through the steps to prepare it on your own. You'll have the opportunity to ask live questions to the chefs and the sessions will be recorded for you to watch (and re-watch) on-demand.

Sign Up Link: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/BeteavonSignUp0708">https://tinyurl.com/BeteavonSignUp0708</a>



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<a href="https://tinyurl.com/ConnectIsrael032022">https://tinyurl.com/ConnectIsrael032022</a>

# Celebrating Israel Throughout the Year

#### The Best in Israeli Film

Link: https://tinyurl.com/IsraeliFilm040522















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22 countries slam
UN Human Rights Council's anti-Israel bias

Story Here: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/UN0708">https://tinyurl.com/UN0708</a>

## Netflix's Most Jewish Original Show Is Finally Coming Back for Season 2

Link: https://tinyurl.com/Show030922



- 1) The Consulate General of Israel, New York, sends out a weekly email, Israeli Culture in North America. The email provides links to a whole calendar of art, music, and film events that you can join in to watch. Sign up here: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/CGIsraelSignUp">https://tinyurl.com/CGIsraelSignUp</a>.
- 2) American Friends of the Israel Philharmonic sends out a weekly email detailing talks and recordings of wonderful performances. Sign up here: <a href="https://afipo.org/">https://afipo.org/</a>.
- 3) American Jewish University sponsors weekly seminars with Israeli top artists and curators. Join their mailing list at: https://signup.e2ma.net/signup/1861357/1771533/.
- 4) The Creative Community for Peace is an organization that promotes the arts as a bridge to peace, counters antisemitism within the entertainment industry, and galvanizes support against the cultural boycott of Israel. They sponsor many Zooms that include members of the entertainment industry who host discussions and take you behind the scenes of the entertainment world. Subscribe here: <a href="https://www.creativecommunityforpeace.com/newsletters/">https://www.creativecommunityforpeace.com/newsletters/</a>.
- 5) Joining the Times of Israel allows you to experience Israel virtually while supporting Israeli tour guides. With over a dozen online experiential tours scheduled over the course of the year you can visit Israel twice a month...without the jet-lag. Join by signing up on their site:

https://www.timesofisrael.com/israel-unlocked/.

6) JNF provides virtual tours. Also, check out the Israel Museum, the Tel Aviv Museum of Art, and the Tower of David Museum who all offer virtual tours of their exhibits. Go to their website:

https://tinyurl.com/JNFVirtualTours.

Am Yisrael Chai!

-Reena Levine Seltzer

### From Compassion to Action: OZ Hesed Opportunities

"The reward for charity depends entirely upon the extent of the kindness in it."—Talmud Bavli

#### New York Common Pantry Helping the Hungry

Our long-time partner has remained open and is deemed an essential service during the COVID-19 crisis. They are seeing huge demand for their services. The best way to help is to make a donation through our Hesed Fund. You can learn more about the Pantry here: http://nycommonpantry.org.

You can also donate needed pantry staples—particularly rice and pasta—via the Pantry's Amazon list. While Or Zarua has not resumed in-person Hesed activities due to the pandemic, please note that NYCP posts its volunteer shifts at www.nycommonpantry.volunteerhub.com. Volunteers can manage their own sign-ups and signing-in is done electronically as well. Shifts are 3.5 hours and include lifting 30 pound bags of groceries. Before arrival, volunteers need to know their user name and password for Volunteer Hub as it is used for sign in. It's easy to reset your password if needed. When you arrive, please head straight to the pantry. For more information, contact Stacy at sgonzalez@nycommonpantry.org.

volunteers needed to help pack groceries at a Met Council pantry and distribute to a Senior Residence on the Upper East Side. The OZ Hesed Committee is working with the Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty (Met Council) on a project to bring groceries to Seniors. We will be packing the groceries at a Met Council pantry (Lexington Avenue and 31st Street) for delivery to and distribution at a Senior Residence on East 92nd Street.

Individuals and families are welcome to volunteer. However, all volunteers coming to the building or the pantry need to be fully vaccinated; wearing a mask is optional but recommeded.

Please watch for emails with upcoming dates.

If interested please contact Jeff Haberman at: jeff32449@verizon. net or (917) 697-1677.

## Thursday Night Pasta and Salad at the Neighborhood Coalition for Shelter

OZ Congregants package food at the Neighborhood Coalition for Shelter's East 81st Street Residence from 5:00 to 5:45 pm on the the third and fourth Thursdays of each month. Donations to the Hesed Fund are also needed. To volunteer when NCS is able to resume our usual practice of serving food to the residents please contact Jeff Haberman at jeff32449@verizon.net. Note that masks are required.

#### Or Zarua Hesed Fund

Please consider making a donation to the OZ Hesed Fund using Shulcloud (<a href="https://tinyurl.com/OZDonationPage">https://tinyurl.com/OZDonationPage</a>) for disbursement to our partners. You may learn more about them at the links below:

New York Common Pantry: http://nycommonpantry.org Met Council for Jewish Poverty: https://www.metcouncil.org Project ORE:

https://edalliance.org/our-programs/
community-centers/project-ore
Food Bank for New York City:
https://www.foodbanknyc.org
UJA Federation of New York:
https://www.ujafedny.org
Leket, Table to Table (Israeli):
https://www.leket.org/en/

# **Ukraine Relief**

Give to the Or Zarua Lights in Ukraine Emergency Tzedakah Campaign. We have exceeded our original goal and raised more than \$23,000! Please help Or Zarua continue to make a meaningful contribution to Ukraine Relief. Contribute for emergency relief and assistance through the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund by noting the funds are for the Ukraine using this link:

https://tinyurl.com/OZUkraine0322

Funds will be given to UJA-Federation relief efforts, Masorti Olami, the United Jewish Communities of Ukraine, IsraAID, the Joint Distrubution Committe, and United Hatzalah.



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<b>24•</b> 25 Tamuz 8:45a Shaharit No Bir'nana Rehearsal	25•26 Tamuz 7:15a Shaharit	26•27 Tamuz 7:15a Shaharit (Zoom)	<b>27∙</b> 28 Tamuz	28•29 Tamuz 7:15a Shaharit 5:00p NCS Hesed Program	29•1 Av Rosh Hodesh 6:30p Zoom into Shabbat 6:45p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat 7:56p Candlelighting	<b>30•</b> 2 Av Mattot/Masey 9:00a Shaharit 8:55p: Havdalah
<b>31•</b> 3 Av 8:45a Shaharit No Bir'nana Rehearsal						
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1•4 Av 7:15a Shaharit	2•5 Av 7:15a Shaharit (Zoom)	3•6 Av	<b>4•</b> 7 Av 7:15a Shaharit	<b>5 •</b> 8 Av 6:15p Zoom into Shabbat 6:30p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat 7:49p Candlelighting	6 • 9 Av Erev Tisha B'Av Shabbat Hazon Devarim 9:00a Shaharit 8:05p Fast for Tisha B'Av Begins 8:46p Havdalah 9:00p Ma'ariv for Tisha B'Av with Reading of
7•10 Av Tisha B'Av 8:45a Shaharit with Torah Reading, Haftarah, and Kinot 7:30p Minhah with T'fillin and Ma'ariv 8:38p Fast Ends No Bir'nana Rehearsal	8•11 Av 7:15a Shaharit	9•12 Av 7:15a Shaharit (Zoom)	10•13 Av	11•14 Av 7:15a Shaharit	12•15 Av 6:30p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat 7:40p Candlelighting	13•16 Av Shabbat Nahamu Vaethanan 9:00a Shaharit 8:36p Havdalah
14•17 Av 8:45a Shaharit No Bir'nana Rehearsal	15•18 Av 7:15a Shaharit	16•19 Av 7:15a Shaharit (Zoom)	17•20 Av	18•21 Av 7:15a Shaharit 5:00p NCS Hesed Program	19•22 Av 6:30p Minhah/Kabbalat Shabbat 7:30p Candlelighting	20•23 Av Eikev 9:00a Shaharit 8:26p Havdalah
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#### Or Zarua's Memorial Wall

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For information about the daily minyan at Or Zarua
Contact Sheldon Adler at:
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Ruth R. Wisse, Professor Emerita of Yiddish and comparative literatures at Harvard, reviewed OZ Congregant Johanna Kaplan's book, Loss of Memory Is Only Temporary.

The review, which appeared in *Mosiac Magazine*, is located on the Mosaic Magazine website at this link: https://tinyurl.com/RRWreviewsJKBook0422

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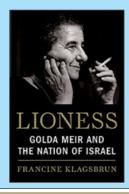
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programming has been varied and
well attended. This will defray the
costs to the congregation of having
these wonderful events. Please
contact Helene Santo for more
information.

#### LIONESS: Golda Meir and the Nation of Israel



he Book LIONESS, Golda Meir and the Nation of Israel by OZ Congregant Francine Klagsbrun is being made into a mini series.

The series will star Shira Hass. Barbara Streisand and Eric Tuchman are the executive producers.

You can read more about this event here:

<a href="https://tinyurl.com/LIONESSMiniseries1">https://tinyurl.com/LIONESSMiniseries1</a>

Additional information will be published in future issues of the OZ newsletter.



# Bir'nana sings L'cha Dodi on YouTube!

Hear & See Them: https://tinyurl.com/BirnanaLChaDodi032021



#### **Bir'nana – בְּרְנֶנָה** The A Cappella Group of Congregation Or Zarua, New York, NY עבדוּ אָת־ה' בָּשׁמָחָה באוּ לְפָנִיו **בְּרָנָה**!

עבדו אַתרה בְּשׁתְּחָה באוּ לְפְנֶיוּ **בּרְנָהּ:** Worship the Lord in gladness; come before the Divine Presence with **joy!** -Psalm 100:2



L'cha Dodi - לְנָה דוֹדִי Welcoming the Shabbat Bride Composed by Aaron Bensoussan Arranged by Scott Stein

#### Singe Amy Bolton, Mu

Amy Bolton, Music Director
Judy Buchman-Ziv
Dore Hollander
Aliza Kaplan
Marcia Kalin
Terry Krulwich
Susan March
Shelley Saposnik
Aaron Shelden
Vera Horn Silver
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