

# Sisterhood on the Net

Amy Shimberg, President

Candy Wadler, Editor

## Mark Your Calendar:

- Bingo Kitchen Every Tuesday
- Knitting Group meets every Wednesday
- ✂✂ May 26 Election and General Meeting
- ✂✂ June 8 Installation Dinner

## IHO's

SHARON SIGLER

- ✂✂ My daughter Caity on her acceptance to Columbia University & List College joint program with JTS.
- ✂✂ My wonderful sisters for all their hard work.

LILLIAN KLEIN

- ✂✂ Caity on being accepted to Columbia University.
- ✂✂ Suzanne on being so wonderful.

SHERI HANDWERGER

- ✂✂ Caity - congrats on your #1 choice to schools to be accepted by!
- ✂✂ Thank you dear sister, Mara. You make "Sunday" Bingos shine!
- ✂✂ Thank you Amy for being a great support & you have my utmost respect.

CANDY WADLER

- ✂✂ Benjamin Harold, belated Happy first birthday & to his mommy & daddy happy birthday & happy anniversary.

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## May General meeting:

May 26 at 8 PM

### Program:

Election of 2005-2006 Board (see page 3 for proposed slate)

and

Movie: *Make Me a Match.*

Refreshments will be served.

## We Get Mail

Dear Sisterhood,

Thank you all for the donation to Torah Fund in my mom's name and for all your support and hugs.

Love, Rachel [Seliber]

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

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Dear Sisterhood,

"Tikkun 'olam" is the Jewish way of saying "The world needs fixing and it is our job to fix it." Our Sisterhood continues to strive to make this world a better place. Lillian Klein and Suzanne Stein recently cooked and served dinner for 17 homeless people at the Jan Peek House in Peekskill. Our Knitting Group has just finished making lap blankets for nursing home residents and is presently making scarves for Israeli soldiers. Our recent Sisterhood/Men's Club brunch featured Rabbi Urbas, who spoke to us about current events. Our Sisterhood made monetary donations to the Women's League fund for holiday gifts for Jewish Service personnel and their families, the Masorti Congregations which is the Conservative women's group in Israel, and All4Israel which supports the families of terrorism victims.

None of these contributions would have been possible without the donation of time by our generous members and the fundraising efforts of those involved in the gift shop, bingo kitchen, A&P gift card sales, catering, high holiday cards, and mishloach manot bags. A special thanks to everyone who has supported these fundraising efforts!

Our **May General Meeting** will take place on Thursday, May 26 at 8 p.m. First, we will vote on the slate of officers for the upcoming 2005-2006 year. Then, we will enjoy popcorn and a movie at the YJC Cinema! The feature is a documentary "Make Me a Match". Filled with hope and humor, disappointments and triumphs, the movie captures the passion of Jewish singles looking for a match and the methods they use to find a kosher catch. This promises to be a fun and informative evening! The evening is free for all Sisterhood members. A \$5 donation is requested of nonmembers.

Our **Installation Dinner** will be held on Wednesday, June 8 at 7:00 p.m. Please let me know by June 1 whether you will be attending so that we can prepare adequately. Reservations are essential! Call me . Hope to see you there!

Amy Shimberg

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Bingo Kitchen needs three hours of your time. When called on to help, please say yes. It helps both Sisterhood and the Yorktown Jewish Center. Bingo is now smoke free. If you would like to volunteer, please

call Sheri Handwerger.

## Thank you:



✂️ Susie and Stephanie Rudin for serving Hamantashen after Purim services.

✂️ Suzanne Stein and Lillian Klein for cooking and serving at Jan Peek House.

✂️ Suzanne Stein and the Mishloach Manot Committee for putting together the beautiful Purim packages.

✂️ Men's Club for preparing and serving us a delicious brunch.

✂️ Rabbi Urbas for leading the discussion at the Sisterhood/Men's brunch.

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If anyone is interested in a board position, we need volunteers for hospitality, library, and publicity. Please call Amy Shimberg.

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## Happy Mother's Day

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## Buy your A&P Food Coupons Now

The Sisterhood Gift Shop is selling gift certificates for use at A&P and Food Emporium. They are now in the form of *wallet-size gift cards*. Sisterhood makes a 5% profit from the sale of these cards, and it costs you nothing, so be sure to pick up your gift cards soon! Call Sharon Sigler or Susan Rudin .

# SOCIAL ACTION IN ACTION

Suzanne Stein, Chairperson

Social Action has been busy in 2005, so far. We have been working together with Pearl Felsenfeld/VP Fellowship to knit and crochet lap robes. We will be delivering these lap robes to the residents at Somers Manor Nursing Home some time in the near future.

On Sunday, March 29, we cooked and served dinner to the residents at the Jan Peek House. Jan Peek is a shelter for homeless people in Peekskill. Lillian Klein and I served 17 residents chicken, stuffing, bean salad, rolls/butter and dessert. They were very grateful and appreciative for the meal. We truly performed at mitzvah for these people that day. Sisterhood will definitely do this again.

We purchased Passover products and delivered them to the Center on April 3. The Center Social Action Committee is providing over 25 gift bags at a Seder for those less fortunate.

Our upcoming project is knitting and crocheting scarves for the members of the Israeli army. A call has gone out for these scarves and we will answer the call.

Mark Sunday, October 2, 2005 on your calendar. What is this, you ask? It is the 11th annual Support Connection Walk for Breast and Ovarian Cancer. The YJC will have a team walking this year, as in the past three years.

If you'd like to participate in any of the above efforts, please contact me at 914/962-4203 in the evenings or at [esskay.ess@verizon.net](mailto:esskay.ess@verizon.net).

## PROPOSED SLATE FOR SISTERHOOD BOARD 2005-06

President.....Amy Shimberg  
 VP Membership.....Joyce Douglas  
 VP Fellowship.....Pearl Felsenfeld  
 VP Ways and Means.....Elaine Boshnack  
 VP Education.....Rachel Seliber  
 VP Torah Fund.....Rosa Hirsch  
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 Corresponding Secretary.....Mara Braverman

### Under VP Fellowship

Hospitality.....  
 Onegs.....Maria Handwerger  
 Publicity.....  
 Telephone Squad.....Lillian Klein  
 Youth Outreach.....Rhoda Sussman

### Under VP Education

Bulletin.....Candy Wadler  
 Creative Handcrafts.....Cheryl Del Duca  
 Jewish Family Living.....Jackie Martins  
 Library.....  
 Programs.....Gill Tritter  
 School Liaison.....Sindee Weiss  
 Social Action.....Suzanne Stein  
 Visual Techniques.....Deborah Levy

### Under VP Ways and Means

Judaica Shop.....Susan Rudin & Sharon Sigler  
 Bingo Kitchen.....Sheri Handwerger  
 Building Fund.....Sandy Gross

Parliamentarian.....Isabel Kopstein  
 Advisor.....Sharon Urbas  
 Immediate Past President.....Gill Tritter  
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 Gill Tritter, Chairman; Jackie Martins, Rachel Seliber, Susie Rudin, and Mara Braverman

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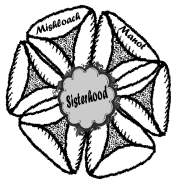
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# PURIM PACKING – A HUGE SUCCESS!!

By Suzanne Stein

On Sunday, March 20, many of us met at the YJC Teen Center to pack and deliver Mishloach Manot. It was a cold and dreary morning but there were lots of smiling faces in the Teen Center. We packed 250 beautiful bags with wine, hamantaschen, graggers, masks, popcorn and other snack foods. Once the bags were all packed, the drivers delivered the goodies to our members of the congregation. The committee thanks all members of the congregation who participated in the program by sending in a form to order Purim bags. This is a huge fundraiser for Sisterhood and if you'd like to be on the committee next year, please contact our President, Amy Shimberg.

The committee (Suzanne Stein, Ronnie Baimel, Candy Wadler, Gill Tritter, Lillian Klein, Lorraine King, Pearl Felsenfeld, Toby Waller) would like to acknowledge the following people for all of their help with this program:

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| Ken Allen        | Marcia Allen      |
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| Harvey Weiss     | Sindee Weiss      |



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Thanks to the committee for the lovely Mishloach Manot bags. Jobs well done!

Thanks, Marion & Murray Reinhertz

To the Sisterhood:

Thank you very much for thinking of me, and a happy Purim, to all of you.



## Mazel Tov to Our Bat-Mitzvah and her family

Joyce Liebman May 7



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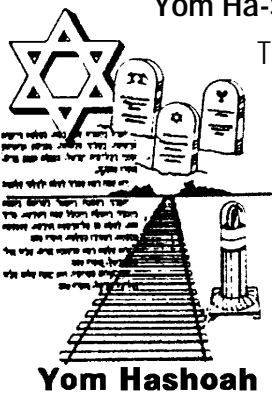
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# JEWISH FAMILY LIVING: HOLIDAYS

Several holidays take place between the second day of Passover and Shavuot (otherwise known as the omer period). These holidays are: Yom ha-Shoah - (May 8, 2005) the Day of Remembrance of the Holocaust; Yom Ha-Zikaron - (May 11, 2005) the day of remembering those who died fighting for the state of Israel; Yom Ha-Atzma'ut - (May 12, 2005) Israeli Independence Day; Lag B'Omer - (May 27, 2005) the thirty-third day of the omer; and Yom Yerushalayim - (June 6, 2005) the day marking the reunification of Jerusalem.

## Yom Ha-Shoah: Day Of Remembrance Of The Holocaust



The Israeli government has established the twenty-seventh day of Nisan as the date to commemorate the Holocaust and its victims. The ritual of this day is still in formation, partly because it was instituted by a secular authority. In Israel, the day is observed by the closing of all theaters and places of amusement, banks, schools, and most businesses. There are a variety of memorial observances, as there are in the United States. Siddur Sim Shalom contains a unit of readings with some suggestions for their use.

## Yom Ha-Zikaron: Israeli Memorial Day

This Israeli holiday is the day before Yom Ha-atzma'ut. Public observances include lighting candles, visiting graves, reciting Psalms, and lighting a torch that burns for 20 hours.

## Yom Ha-Atzma'ut: Israeli Independence Day

This is the fifth of Iyar. The Jewish people celebrate the re-establishment of the State of Israel in 1948.



## Lag B'omer

The 33rd day of the Omer, corresponding to Iyar 28th, marks the end of a plague that was killing Rabbi Akiva's students and which the omer period a period of semi-mourning. The day is observed as a "semi-holiday" when weddings are permitted. Other forms of semi- mourning are suspended on this day.

## Yom Yerushalayim: Jerusalem Day

This holiday, celebrated on the twenty-eighth of Iyar, commemorates the reunification of Jerusalem. For the most part this is celebrated only in Israel.

Would you like to honor someone special by placing an IHO (In Honor Of) in the Sisterhood Newsletter? Just send the IHO with \$1/per IHO to the Sisterhood of the Yorktown Jewish Center.

## Gift Shop

Buy your Mother's Day Gift.

Hours: Sunday 9 AM – 12:30 PM when Hebrew School is in session.



| Candle lighting |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| May 06          | 7:39pm |
| May 13          | 7:46pm |
| May 20          | 7:53pm |
| May 27          | 7:59pm |

(IHO's - continued from page 1)

PEARL FELSENFELD

- ✍ Congratulations Caity!
- ✍ Feel better Lester Klein.

AMY SHIMBERG

- ✍ IHO - Geoffrey Shimberg's becoming a certified soccer referee.
- ✍ IHO - Caity Sigler's acceptance to Columbia.

We need an hour of your time on Tuesday afternoons at 4 PM to help set up the pretzels and candy for Bingo. Please call Lillian Klein.