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All strands of UK Judaism are supporting the World Jewish Relief Ebola emergency appeal. The link to the appeal is www.wjr.org.uk/ebola.

"The Talmud teaches us that by saving one life, it is as if we have saved an entire world." Our community is urged to support the WJR Ebola Crisis Appeal to save lives in West Africa, where the disease is having such a devastating effect on communities.

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Welcome

The last edition of Kehila-Monthly was back in August, and much has happened since then.
Consequently, some events reported here are rather distant memories while some (like the 'Conversation with Hanne') have sadly missed the boat entirely.

In the wider world, the bombing and fighting in Israel, which featured constantly in the news in August, has now subsided, but it is certain that the underlying causes are not resolved.

The film, "The Gatekeepers", was shown on television a couple of weeks ago (as it was at Film Mosaic earlier in the year). In remarkable detail and with the active involvement of six former agency heads, it tells of the successes and failures of Shin Bet - Israel's Security Service. The film is difficult to watch, not just because of the Ivrit soundtrack and English subtitles, but it should nevertheless be required viewing for everyone with an interest in the history of modern Israel and the intractable moral and operational issues it faces issues that, sadly, are seemingly no different today than they were 60 years ago.

Martin Simonis and Judy Silverton (Joint Editors)

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A Rabbi's Word

By Rabbi Paul Arberman of HEMS



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ur rabbis taught: one should not walk through the city on the Shabbat [with the intention] that when it gets dark he may be able, straightaway, to bathe in the bath-house after Shabbat. [Leviticus Rabbah 34].

The first issue in the Midrash that we are taught is that there is a boundary beyond which we are not supposed to travel on Shabbat -- the limit is known as the – "techum Shabbat" -- beyond which one is not allowed to walk on the Shabbat or chag. The limit is about 3,000 feet -- outside of the last built up area of a town. These days, any urban area extends seemingly forever, but there are still rural places where this might apply.

The second part of the Midrash is about not preparing to do something after Shabbat, while it is still Shabbat. I remember a few years ago, the movie, "The Adjustment Bureau" with Matt Damon, was showing in town at 8:00 pm on Saturday night. However, Shabbat went out at 8:00 pm. Even just to get in the queue in time, I would have had to walk to the theatre while it was still Shabbat, in order to get tickets.

This is where the lesson of the Midrash comes into play. If we are already running through our plans for after Shabbat, then we cannot properly enjoy Shabbat. We are not "in the moment", but rather half here and half there.

And in fact, the lesson is important for the whole week as well. How many times do you try to answer the phone, check e-mails and stop your daughter from crying at the same time? Well, perhaps I got too personal there, but you get the idea. One bad time to not be "in the moment" is when someone else is talking to you: someone asks you a question and you are reading the newspaper or checking your smart phone. My mother can always tell when I start reading e-mails when I am on the

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phone to her. On the other hand, it can actually be startling when someone stops, looks into your eyes and gives you their undivided attention.

A Zen teacher saw four of his students returning from the market, riding their bicycles. When they arrived at the monastery and had dismounted, the teacher asked the students: "Why are you riding your bicycles?" The first student replied, "The bicycle is carrying the sack

of potatoes. I am glad that I do not have to carry them on my back!" The teacher praised the first student: "You are a smart boy! When you grow old, you will not walk hunched over like I do."

The second student replied: "I love to watch the trees and fields pass by as I roll down the path!" The teacher commended the second student: "Your eyes are open and you see the world."

The third student replied: "Riding my bicycle, I live in harmony with all sentient beings." The teacher was pleased and said to the fourth student: "You are riding on the golden path of non-harming."

The last student replied: "I ride my bicycle — to ride my bicycle." The teacher sat at the feet of the fifth student and said: "Ahh.... I am your student!"

Shabbat is supposed to give you freedom from the worries and concerns of the week, all the things that distract you from "being in the moment." Shabbat is all about just existing, enjoying what you have in that moment: time, family, food and being yourself.

A final story: soon after the death of Rabbi Mendel of Kotsk, one of his disciples was asked: "What was most important to your teacher?" The disciple thought and then replied: "Whatever he happened to be doing at the moment."

On Shabbat, I have the freedom to enjoy my time with friends and family, and now that I order my movie tickets on-line on Friday afternoon, I can enjoy my Shabbatot in peace.

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

From Harry Grant - Chairman of Mosaic



to be in Bessborough Road on 18 October, you missed something really special, which I'll refer to later.

Shabbat Bereshit marked the end of a particularly hectic High Holyday season. Unfortunately, security had to be scaled up somewhat this year, with the combined effect of the mixed feelings in the wider community following the conflict in Gaza, and the growing threat of terrorism spilling over from the frightening development of the 'Islamic State' within Iraq and Syria.

We remain indebted to the CST, and to the local police, as well as our own volunteers who remain alert outside our buildings, giving us the comfort and security to celebrate the Yom Tovim, as well as our regular weekly services, in peace.

And celebrate we did, throughout our three Synagogues. So many thanks are due to our Rabbis and lay readers, our honey cake bakers, and the suppliers of seemingly constant Kiddushim, the silent army of silverware polishers and Sukkah builders, and everyone who helps to make our Synagogues run so smoothly.

We are increasing the numbers of guest speakers visiting our Community, and recently heard from Dr Edie Friedman on the work of the Jewish Council for Racial Equality. In early November, on 10th and 16th, we will be privileged to welcome Alexandra Senfft and Ben Helfgott MBE. Alexandra,

or those of you who were unable a grandchild of a Nazi war criminal, will give us insight into her journey in understanding her family, and her lifelong dedication to striving for peace in the Middle East. Ben. incarcerated during the War in Buchenwald. Schlieben & Theresienstadt, will tell us of his survival and of post-war life after he settled England.

> We are most fortunate to have secured both of these speakers to visit us, and I urge you to come and hear them, and bring your family and friends

> So now, back to 18 October, and a unique further step forward in the life and growth of Mosaic. For the first time in our history there were Liberal, Masorti and Reform Shabbat morning services held within Mosaic, and under one roof. HEMS were celebrating the bar mitzvah of Nicholas Young, and borrowed the main hall in Bessborough Road for the occasion, while Mosaic Reform prayed upstairs. The atmosphere was really quite special, as well over 300 souls, members of all three Synagogues and bar mitzvah quests, created a sense of ruach which really does epitomise what our unique Community is all about. We even managed to coordinate the ending of all three services, so we could enjoy Kiddush together, and it was a sweet taste of what the future holds for us.

> You, yes you, are part of something very exciting that is growing within Anglo Jewry, and I sincerely hope you take maximum advantage of it.



Special message from Neil Mendoza

- chairman, Hatch End Masorti synagogue

It was a privilege to be part of the congregation on Shabbat Bereshit on 18th October 2014. HEMS had relocated to Bessborough Road for a Bar Mitzvah and for the very first time, all three constituent synagogues of Mosaic were holding services in different rooms, but all under

HEMS used the main prayer hall, which was full to almost bursting and looked spectacular. Nicholas Young discharged his duties as the Bar Mitzvah with selfconfidence and distinction and the service was conducted with a clarity and relaxed humour that is so much the HEMS trademark

With time-tabled precision, the three communities came together to join in Kiddush and after a few words from Harry Grant, to mark the occasion, enjoyed a vast array of nibbles spreading way beyond a mere fishball!

Yet the significance of the day was that Mosaic Reform so willingly allowed the use of its facilities to assist HEMS. for which we thank their Chair, Barbara Grant, and MR Council. This was the physical manifestation of the years of work on developing the Mosaic project, with friendly co-operation giving a taste of what it will be like when we can all be together in a new building.

This was HEMS at its best; this was Mosaic at its best. The vision is becoming a reality.

OUR LAST FOUNDER MEMBER

Obituary of Milcie Dobson, the last surviving founder member of HWPS (or Wembley & District Liberal as was), by Alan Solomon

16th July 2014 marked the end of an era for the members of Harrow & Wembley Progressive Synagogue. Milcie Dobson, who died at the grand old age of 98, was the last surviving founder member of the shul, originally known as Wembley & District Liberal Synagogue.

She was the older of two sisters, whose mother sadly died when Milcie was only four. Times were often hard in those early days, and for a while she lived apart from her sister Cath until their father re-married. Milcie's first employment was with Deloitte; her abiding memory of her position there was going to the office wearing a hat and white gloves.

Milcie and her husband Arthur lived in Kingsbury after their wedding in 1937, moving to Willesden during the War when the whole family, including a grandmother, lived together. Later moves were back to Kingsbury and, in 1956, to Kenton.

Milcie loved and cherished her only child, Carol, and son-in-law, Leslie (also members of HWPS prior to joining Northwood & Pinner Liberal Synagogue); they were both tireless in ensuring that she received the best care and



support in her later years in Kenton and Eastcote. Milcie had the utmost love and affection for her grandchildren, Debbie and Stephen, and her three great-grandchildren. She and her greatgranddaughter. Jess. both loved ballet. and Jess felt so proud at having her great-gran, then 96, watching her dance. She pleaded with Jess to stay young for ever! Like so many of her generation, she was fiercely independent - wanting to cook her meal herself prior to the carer arriving! She was always ready at home with a trolley of tea and biscuits; she loved all the family parties, enjoyed shopping and playing Rummikub, and didn't like being the centre of

Milcie was very 'with it' until the end; she was one of the people I interviewed in 2008 during a "This Is Your Life, HWPS" to mark the Synagogue's 60th anniversary, when she recalled how she and Arthur joined the congregation. They were one of the original six families, who were soon joined by many others. Milcie was also honoured when we moved into Bessborough Road in 2011. She was a much loved member of Harrow & Wembley and is fondly remembered.

HEMS Kol Nidre Appeal

By Edwin Lucas

MDA (Magen David Adom -Israel's national emergency service) is the external charity which HEMS decided to support this year. It was an easy choice, following the recent troubles in the Middle East. Neil Mendoza made the appeal after a discussion with our congregant, Chanan Shuall, who is Israeli and has first- hand knowledge, having served in the armed forces. Whilst HEMS has supported MDA in the past, this year with the timing of the war it was all the more poignant

that they needed our help. Their publication was heart-warming, as MDA do what one would expect, with no discrimination regarding colour, country of origin or religion. They do what others would like to do and they have an excellent track record. In addition, Joanna Phillips from Mosaic Reform is hoping to go on attachment in the coming months with MDA, which brought the charity to life, and we shall be able to learn at first- hand about their good work and not just the public relations.

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Chatanim

Congratulations to those who were elected Chatanim at their respective synagogues at Simchat Torah, Below we reproduce the addresses that were accorded the honorants at their services



Harrow and Wembley **Progressive**

HANA SCHLESINGER - CHATAN TORAH

Hana joined HWPS on 30 October 1990. She has helped with the Communal Seders since 1991, attended new members' evenings, conducted regular services and taken Shiva Services: she has been involved with the Care Group, making many hospital visits and has been responsible for organising the Harrow Soup Run for many years. She joined the R & P committee on 11 October 1994 and took over as Chairman on 6 July 1995; she is now standing down. Hana has served two full terms on Council; she has graduated through the Ba'alei Tefillah course and has been asked to teach at subsequent courses. She attends educational seminars and goes to Limmud.

Hana has served HWPS well for so many years and is truly a worthy Chatan Torah. Long may she continue to serve the community and give us the benefit of her wisdom in her new role.

STELLA BENNISTER - CHATAN **BERESHIT**

Stella joined HWPS with her husband Len in 1963. She has helped with the Care Group, became Synagogue liaison officer for the Abbeyfield Lily Montague Care Home, has helped out at Cheder, served

on Council and was a regular helper at HWPS Bazaars; she has conducted poetry readings for our lunch club as well as other day centres.

After providing support for so many vears. Stella is now grateful for the support she is receiving. She particularly values Rabbi Frank's pastoral visits. She appreciates the contact she enjoys with many HWPS members and looks upon our community as an extended family.

Stella is honoured to be chosen as Chatan Bereshit and HWPS are happy to bestow this honour on our great stalwart.

The picture shows Hana and Stella surrounded by HWPS members and friends at Simchat Torah kiddush. (Photo

Hatch End Masorti



CHATAN TORAH Alan joined HEMS due to the roundabout signs in Hatch End. He got involved quickly and soon became a Councillor, Warden and Trustee, and was

ALAN GOLDNER -

finally promoted to Chairman. Alan is a doer and will step in for service rotas and will daven when other people cannot, or when they fall sick, which really is not allowed. He is a walking Shulchan Aruch. He used to

like golf, but the draw of HEMS was such that he claimed he had hand trouble, just so he could come to HEMS more often. Alan used to have a sticker system for Jewish school entry verifications. We worked out that he attends Shul 60 times per year and we are going to give him an award when he reaches 1,000 attendances - he has a while

Alan has done a lot for Mosaic. He has made a living legacy by being on the HaMakom committee. Alan takes Shul with him on holiday and has led services on cruise ships! In Israel, he and Reggie recently visited ex-HEMSers, Joy Collins as well as Roger and Carole Morris, and nearly had a former members' minyan.

Alan's HEMS day starts at 7:15am with a call to Mosaic Vice Chairman, Phil Austin, followed by a call to Edwin Lucas, just to check that the Shul is OK. He used to drive a taxi, but now can rarely be seen in a cab, except when he made Gillian Lucas really happy at her Batmitzvah, when he picked her up for the function in a black cab. This was her first and a shehechyonu was



PHIL AUSTIN -**CHATAN BERESHIT** joined HEMS he was accosted outside Raoul's Deli in Hatch End! He was a great catch! I think his daughter, Talia, was in a pram at the time, so her induction to HEMS started early. Phil has made a lasting impression on HEMS. He became a councillor and, like Alan, was promoted to Trustee and co-chair with Alan. He has a great gift with the written word and acts as our censor in all written communications. He loves Shul so much that as a result of his work on Mosaic, he is now Vice Chairman of the new community. Phil has vision and the 4- way link which became a 3- way link, is now a fait accompli. He has a talent in soothing troubled waters. Sadly, he does it too well, as the River Pinn was scarcely flowing at Tashlich this year! Phil volunteers a great deal, with the support of Michele; he is a great giver and could never be described as a taker. He takes challenges on board for the benefit of the community, davens and does Dvars which he researches well. 21 people came along just two weeks ago to listen to his teachings. He also loves fundraising and has brought adult education to HEMS through Rabbi Arberman, both on site and through chicken schnitzels and Skype!

Their daughter, Talia, is now a teaching assistant at HaMakom, Joel, their son, did a wonderful Tekiah Gedolah at Ne'ilah on Yom Kippur, Clearly, the vounger generation are chips off the older blocks, which is a great credit to Phil in particular.

Mosaic Reform

JUDY SILVERTON - CALLAT TORAH

First, our Callat Torah, Judy Silverton. Together with her husband, Philip, Judy joined Middlesex New Synagogue some 33 years ago after a spell at EDRS. Judy immediately immersed herself in communal life by joining the then PTA, a committee of parents who supported and actively fundraised for the Religion School. Not content with being a passive member, Judy moved through the roles of Secretary and Treasurer before becoming Chairman, while Katy and Iain were at Sunday morning classes. Judy then became the Honorary Secretary of the synagogue for a spell of 3 years under 3 different Chairmen and then took a break from active involvement in communal life until 2011, when she again resumed responsibility as Honorary Secretary during the start of our very important period of transition from Middlesex New Synagogue to Mosaic Reform. Judy has also recently joined our bereavement support group as well as our Chevra Kedisha. Philip has, of course,

always actively supported the work that Judy has done for the community and is often on security or to be found running up and down ladders, resolving various building issues.

While working in the community, Judy has also found time for a career in the world of publishing, which then extended to organising training days and conferences, before retiring from her last role in marketing in the field of financial investment. Mosaic is once more benefitting from her energy and enthusiasm, as she has now thrown herself into the role of Joint Editor of our monthly Kehila magazine.

KAREN POLLAK - CALLAT BERESHIT

And now to Karen.our Callat Bereshit. Karen Pollak is also a member of verv longstanding, who has always been heavily involved with Synagogue life, although in a far less visible way. For many years, she has been responsible for putting together our popular Friday night Chavurah community suppers, where her soups are legendary! Latterly, this culinary expertise has extended to the Communal Seders and the over 80's luncheon; in fact,

if you need soup for one hundred or so people for tomorrow morning, Karen is definitely the girl to call!

Karen represents Mosaic Reform on various interfaith activities and is our representative on the Harrow Interfaith Council. She is frequently involved with our

neighbours in the wider community on issues of common interest. In addition, Karen is also a longstanding bereavement counsellor and a founder member of our Chevra Kedisha, where she has also worked in training interested members from other communities.

You may possibly know David, her quiet, unassuming, shrinking violet of a husband who has for many years been deeply involved in the musical life of the community, as well as serving as Treasurer and Warden and chairman of Education. And he is immensely proud of what Karen does for Mosaic Reform.

Karen too has a career outside of Synagogue life; while raising her children, Mia and Leo, she worked as a Medical Secretary while studying at the Open University. Subsequently, she set up a business representing artists and is also an accomplished needlewoman and

The picture shows Judy and Karen with Rabbi Kathleen and the back of Alexander's head! Also, the wardens (Jeremy Banks and Stefan Roos) preparing the Torah.







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We look forward to hearing from you on 020-8864 0133 or admin@mosaicreform.org.uk

FILM MOSAIC

At 8:00pm on Tuesday 18th November

A Secret (Un Secret)

A French movie by Claude Miller with English Subtitles. Based on a true story

In 1953, a sensitive French boy finds out from a neighbour that his family is Jewish. François Grimbert becomes a physician, and gradually peels back the layers of his buried family history

At 8:00pm on Tuesday 16th December 2014

TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD

This, the original 1962 Hollywood version of Harper Lee's Pulitzer Prize winning novel, is arguably one of the great American movies of the 1960s. It won the Best Actor Oscar for Gregory Peck who starred as Atticus Finch, the defence lawyer for a young black worker wrongly accused of rape.

Donations for our chosen charity would be appreciated if you care to give.

Harrow Friendship Club (For the over-60s)

Mondays: 11:00 am to 2:30 pm (Tel: 020 8423 2903)

PROGRAMME

11.00 Register

11.30 - 12.00 Seated mobility exercises (optional)

12.00 - 1.30 2/3 course lunch: tea & biscuits

30 - 2.30 Entertainmen

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Mitzvah Day

Mitzvah Day is a brilliant international day, dedicated to helping others through simple acts of kindness, goodwill and giving. Please come along and be a part of it!

This year Mitzvah Day is on Sunday 16th November and we would really appreciate help with any of the following:



Collecting for the New Hope

Trust Volunteers to go to Morrisons on Pinner Road and collect food donations

CDs Seed Hope

Join this Tzedek project by donating unwanted CDs and DVDs. They will be used to directly help people help themselves out of extreme poverty in Africa and India.

Gift boxes for Barnados

New toys, books and gifts for children aged 0-16 that will fit into a shoe box.

Elevenses at Kol Chai

- volunteers to help make and serve tea and sandwiches
- budding entertainers to sing, play instruments, tell a joke or two...

Microvolunteering

Volunteers with skills that they

could share with the rest of the community,

for example:

- computer skills/ knowledge
- odd jobs and DIY
- gardening

Harrow Nature Conservation Forum

We will also be contributing to the upkeep of our local environment, so any willing helpers would be greatly appreciated.

For more information, please contact: Harrow and Wembley Diana Ayres Email: diana_ayres@hotmail.com Tel: 0208 452 2017; Hatch End Masorti Traci Spivack Email: tspivack@yahoo.co.uk Tel: 020 8421 2300; Kol Chai Jacky Martin Email: jacky@pjmartin.co.uk Tel: 01923 825409; Mosaic Reform Viki Kenton Email: viki.p@virgin.net Tel: 01923 802787



Leadership Role

By Kevin Ziants, (HWPS)

od said to Joshua: "Have God said to Joshua: Have not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." (Joshua 1:9). This portion describes the period when Moses ends his tenure as leader and Joshua is about to take over. Most of you may know that since the High Holy Days, I have taken over from Hana as the Chair of our Rites and Practices Committee. I feel, given Hana's successful and valuable 19 years as Chair of R&P, a bit like Joshua. For those of a sporting nature and not into biblical significances, this can be compared to the equivalent of David Moyes taking over from Alex Ferguson as Man United manager after years of constant success. The football discussion is best left to another forum.

Moses certainly did not have an easy ride as a leader of the tribes of Israel, who were at times obstinate, rebellious and troublesome. There are lessons to be learnt from great leaders and Hanahas provided me with valuable guidance as I am about to embrace my new role. The first lesson I learnt as a leader of many, is "you need broad shoulders". Certainly, Moses did and in his toughest moments, he sought help from Jethro, his non-Jewish father in law, on how to control the restless Israelites who were

rebelling as he was losing control. Jethro encouraged Moses to talk to his people on a one to one basis, listen to them and be guided by their mixed feelings. This advice helped the Israelites move forward on the long journey ahead to the Promised Land. Jethro was not encouraging Moses to delegate roles, but to power share amonast the people. There is a subtle difference between delegation and power sharing. I can say to a member we need a shammas this Friday, please can you shammas? Or, to share the responsibility. I could say we need a shammas this Friday. how do you think we can resolve this matter? Within our community. I intend to follow the Jethro thought process. I will endeavour to speak to individuals here on 1-1 basis, encourage you to share your opinions and take on board all reasonable views.

I feel, as a community, we should challenge the way our services are conducted and the liturgy of our prayer book, which in my view is in parts flawed. I will invite individuals, regardless of their religious status, to R & P meetings and allow them to express their views. Who knows, there may be another Jethro out there!

I feel excited and, at times, daunted by my new role. If I achieve half as much as Hana, I will consider that a success.

Mosaic launches Youth Group for the over 12s

By David Pollak

a lunch meeting took place Bessborough Road Frankie Stubbs, Communities Development Officer of the Movement for Reform Judaism, met with a number of young people from each of the three Mosaic communities and Kol Chai. Food and drink was in plentiful supply and the agenda was to explore opportunities to develop youth activities for young people between the ages of 12 and 17 within the three communities making up Mosaic and all Jewish communities in the

On Sunday 21st September,

We were delighted to see representatives from all the four communities that make up HaMakom and after about 90 minutes of eating, drinking, dreaming and brain storming, a programme was produced for the next three months.

A first meeting took place on Friday 17th October at the home of Mark Phillips or, more particularly, that of Sam Phillips. Eleven youngsters from all the communities were treated to a programme which included a Shabbat evening service (see picture), followed by pizza and a showing of the inspiring movie 'The Freedom Writers'. By all accounts, the evening was a great success and everyone enjoyed all aspects of the programme, but more especially the company of other young people from Mosaic and Kol Chai.

Special thanks are due to Frankie Stubbs who, with her RSY Netzer experience, has helped us launch this latest Mosaic initiative. We are very hopeful that members of Noam and LJ Netzer, the youth divisions of the Masorti and Liberal movements, will play a full part in future events and activities.

The next meetings are planned for 15th November (bowling in Garston) and then in December. There will then be a more comprehensive programme prepared for 2015. One of the older members of the group, Sam Bard, has launched a Facebook page which aims to keep everyone in touch with what is taking place. This will be in addition to announcements at HaMakom and in individual synagogue newsletters, announcements and direct publicity.

Our hope is that each synagogue within Mosaic and at Kol Chai will identify someone who will keep their members informed of programmes and plans for the future. All being well, it is hoped that a second club will be formed in the not too distant future which will cater for the under-12 age group.

As ever, these initiatives rely upon a few people to get them started and even more people to keep them going. If you have any experience of working with young people or would like to get involved, please contact me (david@maplesolutions. co.uk or 07710 878186) for an informal chat'. There will be no obligation attached to any conversation, but our hope is that we can provide the means by which the young people of our synagogues can come together, make friends and grow up in an environment that encourages participation and companionship with likeminded people and will give us all something to be proud of.

common fight against IS

By Fred Stern



If it were not for all the ongoing, centuries-old, inter-religious wars of the Islamic Israel nations. would have a hard struggle to against survive

IS, the Islamic State, Europe and the US would need to unite with Israel to fight against forces, superior in numbers, and on many fronts whilst covering their backs. The writing is not just on the wall, but the expressed aim of Islam is world domination. Israel is at present the only bastion in the way of achieving that aim.

The USA recognises the threat and has already brought a number of countries together, including Islamic ones, into a credible force to prevent IS from encroaching into war-torn countries. It is expected that more countries will join this alliance. The Islamic forces, whose leaders are unknown, will recognise that they are not only opposing Islamic countries, weakened and torn apart by internal wars, but an opposition to be reckoned with.

It is evident that Israel's foes are the same as those opposing the IS in their common cause. In all its wars, Israel has beaten its enemies and has shown itself to be more than capable of staving them off, with their opponents recognising Israel's superiority. These facts must be expressed in no uncertain terms, wherever and whenever appropriate. As any form of anti-Semitism would weaken that de facto alliance, it is essential that reporting by all the media, relating to Israel, is absolutely even-handed. Responses to complaints to the media, relating to the recent confrontation, continue to express their double standards.



The leading Jewish organisations in this country must be strengthened to take a positive stance at all times

To put our case to the media and the country at large, the leading Jewish organisations in this country must be strengthened to take a positive stance at all times. They must show that anti-Semitism is not only a crime and an offence against human rights, but gives comfort to our common enemies and provides a tool for our opponents to drive a wedge between us. Our own strength and determination will be appreciated by all fair-minded people and anti-Semitism will be eradicated in our

The Rise of the Islamic State

Discussion at the House of **Commons Committee Room** 14 on September 11th

Notes by Michael Reik Under the chairmanship of John Glen, MP. the Henry Jackson Society invited three speakers, from Quilliam, from Left Foot

Forward, and from the Henry Jackson Society itself to consider the problems of

There are at least 3000 current members of ISIS who originate from Europe. They are establishing what they consider to be a new Islamic Caliphate, currently spanning Iraq and Syria, which they believe represents

After the current fighting, two types of people will return to the UK and Europe:

- (1) Those who are disillusioned, and who could help to de-radicalise others, but who presently would be arrested on their return;
- (2) Those that have acquired a fascist philosophy, and have been totally radicalised.

Unfortunately, the withdrawal of American Troops in 2011 removed any form of control. The lack of American interest in the area allowed other factions to move in. This is an all- American Policy or lack of policy under President Obama.

It seems unbelievable that Obama has now decided on a bombing campaign in Iraq, 12 months after stating that the war in Iraq was over!

The killing at the Jewish Museum in Brussels is now known to have been carried out by an Isis trained person returning from Irag.

Iran is supporting groups in Iraq to fight ISIS, but they are as violent as Isis itself. Iran's interest lies in opposing Sunni against Shia.

Isis is financially self- sufficient, due to monies accumulated through bank robberies and hostage-taking, etc.

It was the feeling of all three speakers that pulling American troops out of Iraq has been a direct cause in the rise of ISIS. Those who were fighting the rise of ISIS over the past two or three years have given up through the lack of overseas support.

Board of Deputies

Meeting of the International Division of the BoD held at Bloomsbury Square September 23rd

By Michael Reik

A recently produced Manifesto Document will be distributed to all MPs in time for the Conference Season, A suggestion was made that a further document be provided iust prior to the election with relevant up to date matters in a maximum of 8 pages. If the Document is available on the web, it should be updated as changes take place.

The Turkish Jewish Community has recently stated in local newspapers that they condemned Israel's recent actions, but that they condemn more stronaly being told by the Turkish Government to say so!

Israel has now confirmed that November 30 be the commemorative date on which Jews became refugees, especially from Arab Countries.

The Muslim Brotherhood is being expelled from Qatar. There is concern that those being expelled may consider coming to the UK. It should be noted despite monies provided by Qatar to Hamas, that there are direct flights between Qatar and Israel.

The roll of UNWRA in Operation Protective Edge should be taken up with the Foreign Office. One billion pounds is provided annually, with a large contribution from the UK, to what was effectively a means of supplying the terrorist organisation, Hamas,

with shelter for their rockets.

Questions were discussed concerning the role of the media in advancing anti-Semitism by their biased coverage in the war. This included the possibility of the UK Jewish Community producing a video which could counter any of the media accusations. It should be noted that 78% of all news coverage comes first from the BBC.

A debate is to take place on a vote for a Palestinian State in the House of Commons on October 13th.

There is a belief within Israel that a war with Hamas will restart within 6 months.

It is confirmed that any stores that concede in any way to BDS (Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions) will be pursued to 'up the ante', whereas those stores that refuse to acknowledge BDS or ignore them altogether will be left alone.

The International Division and Board Executives are considering going to Brussels to meet up with British MEPs to pursue items of specific importance to the British Jewish Community.

The above comments typically show the action being taken at the Board of Deputies sub-divisional meeting.



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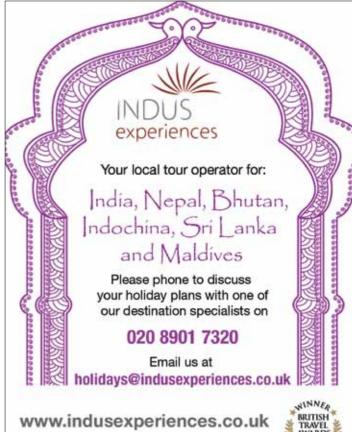
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Mosaic moments



Kabbalat Torah class students Ruth Brown, Sam Phillips and Sam Benson practise blowing the shofar during the first day of class in this HaMakom's 3rd year of existence. The class is taught by Rabbis Frank Dabba Smith (HWPS) and Kathleen de Magtige-Middleton (Mosaic Reform).



The children were key in building the succah at Bessborough Road. See also the picture on the front page



In the kitchen - Felicity Amswych and her son Aedhan worked for 2 hours packing fruit into nets for the



Participants at the Firefighters Memorial by St Pauls' Cathedral on the London walk on 14th September organised by John Ashmele.



Close of Yom Kippur at HWPS

At the close of Yom Kippur on Saturday, 4th October, we enjoyed a very special ritual. HWPS stalwarts Rita Asbury and Alan Solomon celebrated birthdays over the weekend and were joined by youthful members of all ages. From left to right: Inge Harwood, Joy Katz, Feo Kahn (104 ¾ and going strong!), Feo's carer Angie, Alan Solomon, Rita Asbury and Adam Prince.



Kehila Quiz No. 4 (Famous Firsts)

Compiled by Neil Goodman

Which US statesman and scientist produced the first bifocal lens in 1780?

2 Calder Hall in Cumbria was the first what in the UK?

Harrods installed the first example of what new technology in the UK in 1898?

4 Louis Daguerre was the first to commercially achieve what?

Whitcomb L. Judson made getting dressed a little easier in 1890/91 when he developed what?

Answers on page 18



Review of past events



Selichot service at **HEMS**

The Selichot service this year was held for the first time at HEMS, where 80 people attended from Borehamwood Masorti. Edaware Masorti, HEMS, Kol Nefesh and St Albans Masorti. The evening started with Havdalah, which was led by Simon Glass and Irwin Spilka. There were singers from each shul including Johanna Marx, Jonathan Fenster and Marvyn Ellison from HEMS. The "choir " was led by Chazan Jackie Chernett. There had been much rehearsing over the last 3 months and it was clear that the smart looking team all enjoyed themselves. Many familiar tunes were sung and there were a number of solo pieces, one of which was sung by Johanna Marx. The one bracha that was missing was the Shehchyonu, as for many people, this was a first ever. The evening closed with the sound of the shofar, blown by Chanan Shuall. HEMS was delighted to welcome Rabbi Kaiserbluth from St Albans and Rabbi Even-David from Edgware Masorti.

The evening was such a success that, rather than say, "Next year in Jerusalem!",



the 34 HEMS members attending said: "Next year at HEMS!" with the wish that all the Mosaic community would be invited. Will we have a new building by then to seat all the supporters?!

In conversation with **Lawrie Nerva**

By Steve Levinson



Lawrie Nerva's lifetime in local and Labour party politics and Israel-related activities was revealed to a Mosaic audience, when he was "In Conversation With" broadcaster, Steve Levinson, after the Shabbat service on July 26th

At the age of 92 - Lawrie was also celebrating his birthday - he set out some of his earliest memories, including the depression of the 1930s and the mood of the country after the Second World War. It was then, inspired by the "birdlike" Clement Atlee, he said that Lawrie joined the Labour party. It was the beginning of an affinity during which he met his wife Ruby, had dealings with numerous Labour leaders, served on Brent Council as chair of social services, and was presented with a lifetime achievement award in 2012 by Ed Miliband at Labour's national conference. He also spoke fondly of his many years of work for the Jewish Labour movement, formerly Poale Zion, which once again resulted in international recognition. For all his recollections,

what was most remarkable for the audience was his continuing interest and outspoken opinions on the current political scene and events in Israel.

Our time was too short to delve into his activities in the early days of MNS, and his other local and national work in the field of racial equality and harmony. Too much to cover in one session, but a great insight into local, national and international politics from one who has been involved for nearly 70 years.

Edie Friedman

Dr Edie Friedman, founder and director of the Jewish Council for Racial Equality. spoke to a small group of Mosaic members and guests on 16th September. Edie, born in Chicago and active as a young person in the American civil rights movement, shared the story of how she came to form JCORE in the UK in 1976. Since then, Edie and the JCORE team, invoking Jewish prophetic values concerning justice and compassion, have proved themselves to be a consistent and active voice, supporting refugees and asylum seekers, as well as championing the cause of building a society free of racism. Edie challenged us to engage actively with our Jewish values, not to mention our refugee heritage. Edie's talk was an inspiration to those at Mosaic seeking to make social action an integral part of our communal life.



LJ Inter-Synagogue **Quiz 2014**

By Alan Hunt

A total of ten teams participated in the 2014 Liberal Judaism Inter-Synagogue Quiz, which took place at Finchlev on 8 September. The HWPS team was composed of Alan and Janet Solomon. Steven and Danielle Sanderson, Anthony and Jacky Guter, Paul Zatz and Alan Hunt.

We got off to a rocky start, gaining only three points from the first round, which was based on the missing words format of "Have I Got News for You". Things improved slightly with rounds on British roads and sport, but our knowledge of Liberal Judaism proved to be lamentable, a failing that was underlined during the interval, when Danny Rich held a separate Mastermind guiz on the same subject, and our nominee, Alan Solomon failed to win the coveted crystal trophy.

We did fairly well in the film and history rounds, but delivered disappointing performances in the science and technology and live music rounds, and also in the marathon (famous people when they were younger); this meant that we finished third, in bronze medal position, behind runners-up Elstree and the winners by a large margin, LJS (who departed without the Geoffrey Davis trophy, as last year's winners, Elstree, had forgotten to bring it with them!). Still, it was better than last year's seventh place, and our intellectual horizons were expanded by learning the difference between xylem and phloem and the names of the men who designed the typeface used on motorway signs!

It was a very high tech quiz, with film clips, computerised scoring and a live pianist; and some of the equipment worked some of the time. But Finchley did feed us very well with sandwiches, cake and, during the interval, scones with jam and cream. However, the fact remains that it is now eight years since HWPS lifted the coveted trophy. Where is the Roy Hodgson figure who will be able to restore us to our former glory?



Food for fun

By Anne Steiner

'Food for Fun' meets in members' homes at 6-8 weekly intervals to enjoy a homecooked meal, for which we all bring a dish. laugh, chat and generally have a relaxing evening.

'Sugar and Spice' was the theme for the August meeting. A feeling of 'sugar and sweetness' was created by pink and white bowls of flowers, together with pink and silver sugared almonds and pretty dotted serviettes - all of which helped to put us in a relaxed summery mood, whist the wine added a touch of spicy tang. The food wasn't bad either!

We started with a refreshing gazpacho, followed by sweet and sour chicken, an Hungarian influenced salad and a vegetable platter, some of the flavourings included were cinnamon, coriander, lemon, paprika, saffron and vanilla . Our desserts, as always, were sumptuous.

With apologies and misquoting the Searchers, their hit song of the 60's sums up our summer supper. 'Sugar and spice and all things nice/Kisses sweeter than wine/ Sugar and spice and all things nice/You know that 'food for fun' is fine.'

Special thanks to our host, Margie. I think I speak for all when I say an evening of real joy and laughter spent with friends.

'Pot Luck' was the theme of our October evening, and as luck would have it our meeting was one of those evenings which will go into our FFF memory bank. Not only did we have a hearty, well-balanced meal, and I will whet your appetites further by attaching the menu card, but we also enjoyed a bit of linguistic fun.

On each plate was a slip of paper with various translations into English some not really suitable for a synagogue magazine, but here are a few which I'm sure will make you chuckle - spotted in a hotel in Dubrovnik was "The flattening of underwear with pleasure is the job of the chambermaid"; in the lobby of a Moscow hotel across from a cemetery was "You are welcome to visit the cemetery where famous Russian and Soviet composers, writers and artists are buried daily except on Thursday" and, in an airline ticket office, Copenhagen was: "We take your bags and send them in all directions".

Special thanks to our hostess Esther. By the time this write-up reaches you the New Year will be well under way so, although somewhat belated, I wish 'Shana Tova' to all at HEMS, HWPS and Mosaic Reform and may 5775 be a happy, healthy and peaceful year.



HaMakom then please let Jacky Martin know via the office. We will of course make sure that any personal information is deleted from it before use.



Mosaic EVENTS

ALEXANDRA SENFFT

Learn about the journey of the granddaughter of a Nazi war criminal towards understanding her family and her long commitment to working for peace in the Middle East



Begengungen mit Unknown Enemy So Close ncounters with Palestinians

Alexandra Senfft is an author and journalist. The heart of her work concerns the Near and Middle East, the transgenerational consequences of National Socialism in Germany, and the dialogue with victims and their descendants. She has been an advisor on the Near East to the German Green Party, UN Observer in the Westbank and until 1991 spokeswoman for the UN in Gaza.

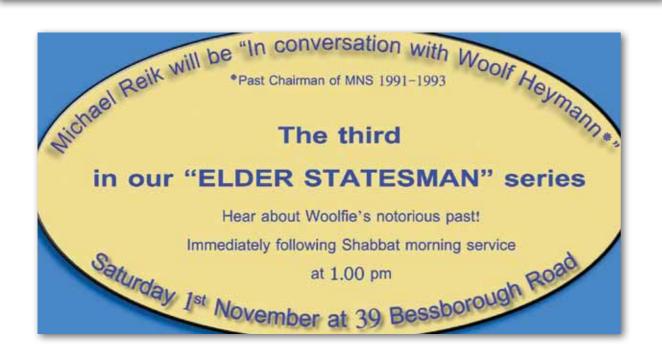


Silence is painful.

A German Family Histor

In the Chair at 39 BESSBOROUGH ROAD, Harrow, HA1 3BS will be Rabbi Frank Dabba Smith

MONDAY 10th NOVEMBER AT 8.00 pm





MOSAIC Community warmly welcomes to 39 Bessborough Road

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etters to the Editor

From Trudy Segal

Request for Friendship Club helpers

Do you have a little time to spare on Mondays? The Friendship Club need some extra help so that they can continue to make Mondays special for their members. For many this is their only opportunity to socialise/enjoy lunch and entertainment/make friends. Please contact Trudy Segal on 0208 423 3209 for more information.

From Rita Asbury

Kiev Coppers Update

During his visit in August we were able to give Rabbi Alex Dukhovny a further £100 from our copper collection. This brought our total to £15,100. Alex was also able to give us a fully detailed breakdown of how our money has been used to support the two kindergartens which his community runs. His report illustrated just how much our money is needed and I must thank all of you who continue to save your coppers for this important cause. As I write this report, thanks to some generous donations, we have almost reached the next £100. So as always.....KEEP THE KOPPERS KOMING!

From Leslie Kopitko 70th birthday

Last Saturday I celebrated my 70th birthday - joining the service with family and friends. I was called to give the blessing for the State of Israel. This was truly a wonderful experience and all enjoyed the morning with the lovely Kiddush afterwards. I cannot thank all involved enough.

From Maurice Hoffman

Jewish Volunteering Network

the Jewish Volunteering Network www.jvn.org.uk provide all sorts of opportunities for all ages and interests, some being one off, others being more regular. It's lots of fun, a chance to give help in a variety of ways and meet lots of people. I urge you to sign up and get the newsletter. eventually you will see something interesting and get the T-shirt.

From Bill and Marge Hunter - recently-retired Bessborough Road

What a surprise when I opened the door to a delivery man to accept a box. An even bigger surprise when I opened it. The orchids are truly beautiful. I'm afraid I'm forbidden to touch it as I seem to have the kiss of death when it comes to plants. So Bill has taken sole control over the care and well-being of our plant. From what I understand from Bill's wise words, with his care and attention it will last for years. So we will have something to remind us of the great people Bill worked for and with for years. So please accept our thanks.

From Paula and Jeffrey Rogers, Bexhill on Sea Many thanks to one and all responsible for the lovely gift of honey cake. What a treat and surprise to open up the parcel, and

Wishing everyone involved and not involved with such a wonderful idea, all our best wishes, and huge thanks.

find your lovely wishes together with a real treat.

2015 MOSAIC CALENDAR

We're delighted to report that the first Mosaic Calendar has been published and is included with this edition of Kehila Monthly. There is no charge for it but if you'd like to make a contribution towards its cost, your donation would be very welcome.

Thanks are due to those involved with the production of this calendar and to all the "posties" who have delivered them to you.

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Mosaic? What is Mosaic?

Mosaic is a vibrant new Jewish community which comprises the members of three partner synagogues. The three synagogues represent the Masorti, Reform and Liberal strands of Judaism respectively providing Mosaic members with a choice of emphases and ritual across the Progressive spectrum. Indeed, the providing of choice is a key Mosaic principle which extends beyond ritual. Mosaic provides its members with a wide range of social, educational, cultural and recreational activities designed to appeal to diverse interests and age groups. There is an excellent religion school for younger members with innovative opportunities to extend Jewish learning beyond bar/bat mitzvah.

Most important, we look out as well as in and offer exciting opportunities to get involved with influential social action and inter-faith programmes, whether locally, nationally or internationally. Mosaic is living proof of what can be achieved with goodwill, mutual respect and a willingness to work together.

Find out more at www.choosemosaic.org or contact Membership Officer Lindsey Cohen on 020 8420 7498

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Free transport to Shul

HWPS and Mosaic Reform members who are unable to travel to Shul for services are welcome to use a specially funded minicab facility. Please contact Lindsey Cohen on 0208 420 7498 or the Synagogue office on 0208 864 0133 for more information.



Some big, some small, and everything in Shul.

November | December

Unless otherwise stated, all events take place at 39 Bessborough Road, Harrow HA1 3BS.

The times/locations of weekly services are as below, unless otherwise stated:

HWPS: Bessborough Road: Friday 19:00, Saturday 11:00 (Chavurah Supper last Friday every month, after the evening service)

HEMS: Girl Guide Headquarters (GGHQ), Hatch End: Saturday 9:30 am **Mosaic Reform:** Bessborough Road: Friday 19:00, Saturday 10:30

November

| Saturday | 1st | 13:00 | Michael Reik in conversation with Woolf Heymann |
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| Sunday | 2nd | 14:00 | Stone-setting - Kate Stern - Cheshunt |
| | | 14:45 | Stone-setting - Howard Franks – Cheshunt |
| | | 15:00 | Cameo (Group for bereaved people) |
| Monday | 3rd | - | Chanukah edition of Kehila - copy date |
| | | 11:00 | Harrow Friendship Club - Singer Linda Watts |
| | | 20:00 | HWPS Group 326 |
| Wednesday | 5th | 20:00 | Council meetings |
| Sunday | 9th | 09:30 | HaMakom |
| Monday | 10th | 11:00 | Harrow Friendship Club - The Great American Songbook with Fiona Harrison |
| 7 | | 20:00 | Speaker - Alexandra Senfft - author and journalist |
| | | 20:00 | HWPS Group 326 |
| Wednesday | 12th | 20:00 | Mosaic Photography Group – 'Making a Book using Photobox'. |
| Saturday | 15th | 11:00 | Shabbat Shira Shabbat Shira |
| Sunday | 16th | 20:00 | Speaker - Ben Helfgott - survivor and Olympic competitor |
| | | - | Mitzvah Day |
| Monday | 17th | 11:00 | Happy Birthday to the Friendship Club!/Bill Smith entertains |
| | | 20:00 | HWPS Group 326 |
| Tuesday | 18th | 20:00 | Mosaic Film - 'A Secret' |
| Wednesday | 19th | 12:30 | Seniors' Lunch Club – 'Cruising' |
| | | 20:00 | HWPS Book Group – 'The Goldfinch' by Donna Tartt (phone office for venue) |
| Sunday | 23rd | 09:45 | HaMakom |
| | | 20:00 | HEMS Supper Quiz |
| Monday | 24th | 11:00 | Harrow Friendship Club - Return visit of David Peace |
| | | 20:00 | HWPS Group 326 |
| Friday | 28th | 19:00 | HWPS Erev Shabbat Service & Pot Luck supper |
| Saturday | 29th | 09:30 | Torah Tots |
| | | 10:30 | Graduation service for HaMakom trainee assistants |
| Sunday | 30th | 09:45 | HaMakom |

December

| Monday | 1st | 11:00 | Harrow Friendship Club - Return visit of Gayathrie and Bill Patrick |
|-----------|------|-------|---|
| | | 20:00 | HWPS Group 326 |
| Wednesday | 3rd | 20:00 | Council meetings |
| Sunday | 7th | 09:45 | HaMakom |
| | | 19:30 | An evening with Jay Rayner |
| | | 15:00 | Cameo (Group for bereaved people) |
| Monday | 8th | 11:00 | Harrow Friendship Club - Harry's choice |
| | | 20:00 | HWPS Group 326 |
| Wednesday | 10th | 20:00 | Mosaic Photography Group |
| Thursday | 11th | - | Chanukah edition of Kehila – distribution |
| Sunday | 14th | 09:45 | HaMakom |
| | | 14:45 | Stone-setting - David Emanuel – Cheshunt |
| Monday | 15th | 11:00 | Harrow Friendship Club - Alex Samos entertains |
| Tuesday | 16th | - | 1st candle Chanukah |
| | | 20:00 | Mosaic Film – 'To Kill a Mockingbird' |
| Wednesday | 17th | 12:30 | HWPS Lunch Club |
| | | - | CHANUKAH |
| Friday | 19th | 19:00 | Family Friendly Chanukah service |
| Saturday | 20th | 10:30 | Shabbat Shira.and Lunch for 80+ year olds |
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