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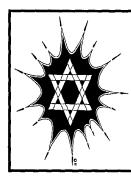
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### Meeting Notice

Thursday, March 12, 2009, 7:30 PM Jewish "Y" Center, Red Lion Road and Jamison Avenue

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - 6:30 PM, at the "Y"

**HAPPY** 

**PURIM** 

### MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, Larry Nodiff:

Greetings

Wishing all a **Happy Purim**, and, hopefully, **Spring** is coming this month and we can say good-bye to what has been a harsh **Winter**. Also, don't forget to reset your clocks on March 8th (**Daylight Savings Time**).

We have made a selection for our 'Person of the Year' and we are awaiting his confirmation.

It was great seeing Bill Fleisher and Stan Kolmetsky at the last meeting.

Our secretary, Judi Buch, is under the weather, but we expect her to fully recover and be up and about soon.

Our guest speaker, Chief Inspector James Tiano entertained us for almost an hour. He spoke about some of the positive experiences he had with different members of Shomrim, and there was a lot of give and take with the members.

I want to thank **Howard Rabinovitch** for this month's speaker, **Matthew B. McDonald**, Training Supervisor for the MAGLOGEN - Mid Atlantic - Great Lakes Organized Crime Law Enforcement Network. He is also a former Philadelphia Police Officer. So please be in attendance on March 12, listen to what our speaker has to say about this timely subject, interact with him and then have a 'nosh' with us.

The Sergeant's test should be announced soon. **Howard Lebofsky and myself** are available to help our members. We hope that many of our members will take advantage of this opportunity to prepare for this promotional exam.

I am asking all members to please sell one ad. This is your **Shomrim**, and you are the future. Also, on the banquet, those who have children is school, please make out a Scholarship application. So far, we have received only one application for a scholarship. Remember, any financial aid these days, no matter the amount, is a help.

I have been told that the 2009 dues are slowly coming in. If you haven't already done so, don't forget to send your tax deductible dues in for the year. I'm also asking our life-members to donate \$10.00 to help defray the cost of printing and mailing the **Herald.** 

Also, don't forget to send in any updates on your address, e-mail addresses, phone numbers, birthdays, anniver-sary's, etc.

See you all at the meeting,

Shalom,

Larry

**P.S.** The April meeting will be held on the first Thursday, 4/2/09, due to Passover starting on our regular meeting night.

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#### MARCH...HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 8. Elliott & Dorothy Feldman -
- 15. Robert & Judy **Duboff** 45 years
- 16. David & Beth Wolfson 18 years
- 18. Robert & Karen Rosenberg 35 years
- 21. Wendy & Kurt Alloy 27 years

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR:**

If you have not been included on Birthday and/or Anniversary listings, please forward the information to the Editor for future listings OR if the listed info is incorrect, please call for a correction- Thank you. (Note: due to space limitations, we try to limit listing children to those 18 years of age and younger.)

The Scholarship Committee: We will again offer two scholarships at our annual banquet. Application, which is included in this **HERALD**, is to be submitted by April 15, 2009. Mail completed application(s) to the Scholarship Committee, Shomrim of Philadelphia and the Delaware Valley, P.O. Box 14543, Philadelphia, PA 19115. (Page 6)

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES YET?



Best Wishes to: Life Member Leonard Glauser, retired Philadelphia Police Captain, a member of Shomrim for 57 years, celebrating his 90th birthday, 3/11/09. Tell you what, old friend, the Good Lord willing, we will do this again when you celebrate your 100th birthday!

Condolences to: to the family of Police Officer John Pawlowski, Philadelphia P. D., who was shot and killed on February 13, 2009, also to the family of Police Officer Christopher Jones, Middletown Township, Pa., who was killed during a routine traffic stop on January 29, 2009. Trees will be planted in Israel in memory of both officers.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Celebration - 35 years service party: Our President, Captain Laurence D. Nodiff, will have a party in his honor, on Saturday, March 14, 2009, 7:00 to 11:00 PM, Cottage Green, 9001 Ashton Road. Buffet dinner and open bar. Cost, \$45.00, includes gift. For tickets, contact Lieut. Hyers, 23rd District, 215-685-2705.

Shomrim Banquet, Wednesday, June 10, 2009. at the Har Zion. There will be no increase in the ticket cost this year. Music will be provided by the "Philly Heat", a great band of Philadelphia Police and Fire Department musicians. Our Person of the Year has been nominated and we are awaiting his acceptance. Our Humanitarian awardee will be Chief Inspector James Tiano. The food, the open bar, and the 'Elegant Endings' chocolates will be, as usual, outstanding. Make plans to attend. Order your tickets early. Get those ads in.

#### Message from our Chaplain, Cantor Alan Edwards:

#### THE FESTIVAL OF PURIM

On March 10, corresponding to the Jewish date of 14, Adar, the holiday of Purim is celebrated. It is the festival of victory and celebration, honoring the great Queen Esther, one of the wives of King Ahasuerus, who governed Persia.

King Ahasuerus had as his Prime Minister, a despot known as Haman, who sought the complete subjugation of the Jews.

When Mordechai, Queen Esther's cousin, who was a leader and a patriot, refused to bow down before him, Haman plotted the extermination of all the Jews in the Empire.

Mordechai brought the news of the plot to Queen Esther. At the risk of her own life, she interceded for her people. At a banquet for them alone, the King and Haman heard for the first time that Esther was a Jewess and could be included in the mass murder. Enraged, the King then ordered that Haman and his sons be hanged. The Jewish people were saved and Mordecai was named the new Prime Minister.

Purim is celebrated principally in the synagogue. Following the evening service, the Megillah is chanted. The Megillah is a parchment scroll on which is written the entire story of the events that took place. In English, we call this the Book of Esther.

As the reader chants the name "Haman", which occurs 53 times in the Megillah, the congregants respond by whirling their 'groggers' (noise makers). This is done to blot out Haman's name.

This holiday, like many others, has a special traditional delicacy. For Purim, it is a three cornered pastry filled with poppy seeds or prunes or other fruit jam, called Hamentaschen. This to symbolize the three cornered hat of Haman, as well as the Feast of Esther, at which three people were present, Esther, Haman and Ahasuerus. As G-d promised the Jewish people that he would make them as numerous as the grains of the earth, the poppy seed is a symbol of the grains of the earth.

Purim symbolizes to the Jewish people that Hope will be the victor over their enemies and that bigotry will disappear from among all men.

Chaplain Alan Edwards National Chaplain **GUEST SPEAKER:** Our speaker this month will be **Matthew B. McDonald**, Training Supervisor for the MAGLOGEN - Mid Atlantic - Great Lakes Organized Crime Law Enforcement Network. He is a former Philadelphia Police Officer. He is going to explain their training and intelligence network. He will also entertain questions from the floor. So bring your spouse and friends and lets have a great turnout for our guest speaker at this meeting.

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Person of the Year (we are awaiting acceptance)

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MAJOR:			

#### RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ISSUANCE OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships will be awarded annually. For the year 2009 Shomrim will be awarding two (2) scholarships. The amount to be given will depend on the amounts donated to Shomrim for this purpose.

The recipient(s) will be determined by the Board of Directors, with no more than one scholarship per family and recipient(s) will attend the Annual Banquet as our guest to receive the award. Recipient must be present at the banquet to receive the award.

Scholarships will be limited to <u>Active</u> members who have been members in good standing for a period of at least five continuous years, and their children.

Scholarship awards will be limited to students attending full time (day or evening) at an accredited College/University, earning an undergraduate degree.

The Scholarship Committee shall consider the applicants contribution and participation in the organization when awarding scholarships.

The following factors will also be considered:

Active members who are working and also going to school full time.

Preference for applicants with no previous Shomrim scholarship awards over past recipients.

Applications must be submitted to the Scholarship Committee no later than April 15, 2008. Applicant should also submit a brief summary of past academic achievements, awards, and past and present extra-curriculum programs they have been involved in.

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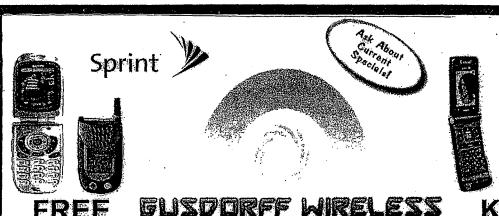
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