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Meeting Notice
Thursday, April 19, 2012, 7:30 PM, Jewish "Y"
Red Lion Road and Jamison Avenue
"Support Shomrim, Get Involved, Attend Meetings"
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - 6:30 PM, at the "Y"



MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, Judi Buch

The April meeting will be held on the third Thursday, April 19, 2012, due to Pesach.

WE HAD A QUORUM at the March meeting and got some business done!! Members had a chance to express their feelings about what should be done to keep the group going. We need you at the next two meetings, because of some upcoming votes that will reshape the organization. I was reminded that, in order to have a valid vote, you **MUST BE PRESENT**. There is no proxy or voting by email, at this time. We are now all on the same page.

First of all, we are seeking to reduce the number needed for a quorum and we need a Vice President. As many of you already know, we will not be having our **banquet in June**; but, the members that attended the Board and general meetings definitely want to celebrate the 75th anniversary of **Shomrim of Philadelphia and the Delaware Valley**. We are looking at **dates in October**, after the holidays. We are grateful to **Mike Gilbert and Merrill Kelem** for taking this on for us. Merrill will chair the committee and all decisions will go through the Board. Certainly, the general membership needs to be kept informed, as well, and have input. Merrill and Mike could use some assistance, as well-please volunteer.

The advertisement, regarding **Shomrim's** interest in reconciling all of our cemetery records, did not generate any responses. **Bernie Margulis** put together information for the Board and we will go through it, once the critical votes have taken place. In the meantime, if you have any information about the cemetery plots, please let us know,

Our speaker for March, **Cheryl Cutrona**, gave a fascinating presentation about Mediation. Good Shepherd offers a number of useful programs for a variety of issues, including resolving family and neighborhood disputes, as well as Police and Court referrals. The web page is: www.phillymediators.org

Arthur Gravitz shared with me that he wrote to the President of the University of Pennsylvania about the BDS conference that I referred to in the last two issues of the Herald. You go, Art!! We need more people to take a stand and let those in charge know about it!

We must stay vigilant when it comes to all forms of anti-Semitism. In February and March, a Temple University fraternity building and the University of Pennsylvania Hillel were defaced by anti-Semitic symbols/graffiti.

On a positive note, **Eliana Yankelev** of Lower Merion is the female high school Pennsylvania State Champion in the 60-meter hurdles event. She is an observant Jew and a phenomenal student, too. Eliana was granted early admission to the University of Pennsylvania. Wouldn't we like more stories like this, rather than those in the paragraph above?

Please-remember to try and think about possible new members. If you give me the names, we'll reach out to them.

I would like to wish you all a **"Zissen Pesach!"** I am looking forward to seeing you at the meeting on Thursday, April 19th. Let's **GET OUT THE VOTE!!**

I hope to see a good turnout on April 19th!

Judi

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APRIL ...HAPPY BIRTHDAYS *Birthstones - Diamond, Sapphire*

2. Arthur Loev
3. Gerald Blumberg
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5. Alan Coggan
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28. Samantha Williams
29. Terri Essen
Jacob Sweed

APRIL...HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES *Flowers - Daisy, Sweet Pea*

8. Howard & Diann Rabinovitch (45 years)
9. William & Shannon Howard (6 years)
12. Joel & Katherine Labman (49 years)
14. William & Michelle Fleisher (38 years)
Arthur & Linda Marion (50 years)
19. Donald & Helen Miller (42 years)
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BYLAWS CHANGE - VOTE ON APRIL 19, 2012 -

A committee of three - **Michael Gilbert, Merrill Kelem and Howard Lebofsky** - per Article XIV, Section 4 (a) 1, has addressed Article VI, Section 1, subsection (a), "All business shall be transacted only if a quorum is present. A quorum shall be no less than fifteen (15) active members."

The following new language has been proposed:

"A quorum shall be no less than ten (10) active members."

ALSO:

Nomination and vote for Vice President -

Howard Lebofsky was nominated to be **Vice President** and there will be a vote in April for this.

GUEST SPEAKER: As of the deadline for this newsletter, **Howard Rabinovitch** is trying to get a conformation that our next scheduled guest speaker will be available on our meeting night. We are fairly certain that he will be able to speak to us, so come to the meeting, interact with our guest speaker and put out your ideas on how to improve **Shomrim**. Get involved, take an active part in **YOUR** organization.

Upcoming events:

Thursday, April 5, Phillies season opener in Pittsburgh.

Saturday, April 7, Passover, First Day.

Monday, April 9, Phillies home opener v. the Miami Marlins.

Saturday, April 14, Passover, Eighth Day.

Tuesday, April 17, Income Tax Day.

Sunday, April 22, Earth Day.

Wednesday, May 2, Police & Fire Memorial Service, 12 noon, Franklin Square.

Monday, May 7, Pennsylvania State FOP Memorial Service, Harrisburg.

Sunday, May 13, Mother's Day.

Tuesday, May 15, National Police Officer's Memorial Day.

Saturday, May 19, Annual Survivors Benefit at Finnegans.

Monday, May 28, Memorial Day observed.

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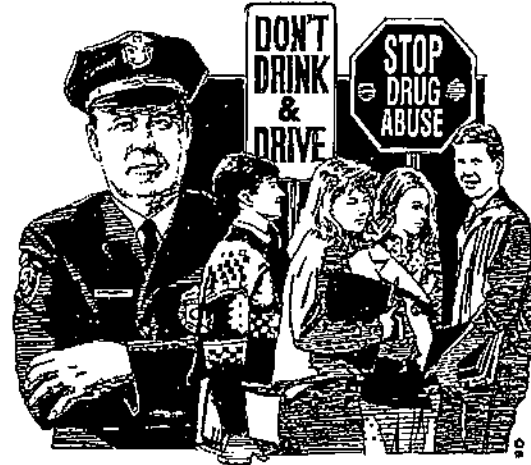
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