

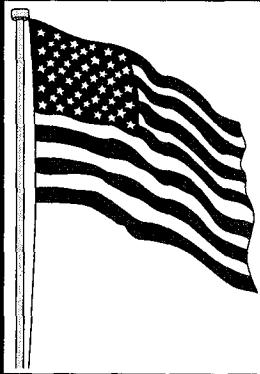
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Meeting Notice

*Thursday, September 16, 2010, 7:30 PM, Jewish "Y"
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - 6:30 PM, at the "Y"
Please check at the front desk for the meeting room location.

*Rosh
Hashanah
GREETINGS*

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, *Larry Nodiff*

Shalom, wishing all a happy Labor Day, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur and hello to autumn.

I hope all our members had a wonderful summer.

I hope **Diane Rabinovitch** is getting better after another surgery. I know **Howard** has his hands full taking care of her and, understandably, probably has not had time to make arrangements for a guest speaker this month. Again, we wish **Diane** a speedy recovery

As you know, **Family Day** is on Saturday, 9/11/2010, 11 AM to 3 PM, at the Police Academy. Food and entertainment is free. As usual, we can use all the volunteers we can get to help serve the food, drinks etc. and to help run the event. We would appreciate it if you could get there by 10 AM.

If you haven't heard by now, our own **Alan Kurtz** is running for Sheriff! Let's wish him the best of luck.

As we enter into the the season where we reflect our previous year, I want all to reflect "so, what have I done for **SHOMRIM** recently"? This is our organization and only by a group effort can we survive. Get active in getting new members, give generously of your time, pay your dues, come to meetings and enjoy each others company.

Wishing everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year and a good fast.

I'll see you at the meeting.

Larry

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and..

Is it a religious thing? Is there a new commandment? - - - Thou shalt not use thy turn signals!

SEPTEMBER...HAPPY BIRTHDAYS BIRTHSTONES · SAPPHIRE, CHRYSOLITE, STAR SAPPHIRE

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SEPTEMBER...HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES FLOWERS · ASTER, MORNING GLORY

1. Michelle **Seidner** & I. Steven **Levy** (25 years)
3. Leonard & Carol **Lebowitz** (43 Years)
6. Robert & Rebecca **Desoi** (13 years)
12. Robert & Sandy **Grossman** (23 years)
13. Joseph & Lorraine **Eiven** (46 years)
17. Louis **Lappen** & Jennifer **Heller** (10 years)
18. Arthur & Jean **Gravitz** - Still going strong!
30. Justin & Jennifer **Frank** (10 years)

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES YET?

on the town

Best of luck to: Alan Kurtz, Shomrim Life Member, Past President and Member of the Board of Directors who is now running for the **Office of Sheriff of Philadelphia**. With his background in law enforcement, if elected, he will make a great **Sheriff!**

Condolences to: The family of **Shomrim Member Richard J. Kirshbaum**, who passed on Sunday, 8/15/10. Trees will be planted in Israel in his memory.

Speedy recovery: to Howard **Rabinovitch's** wife, **Diane** who underwent surgery recently. Our prayers are with her.

Upcoming events:

Saturday, September 11, 2010 - Police and Fire Family Day Picnic, Police Academy, 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Free food, drinks, entertainment, demonstrations by the Police and Fire Departments, etc. **Shomrim volunteers are needed to help run the affair. Try to be there by 10 AM.**

Saturday, September 18, 2010 - Hero Thrill Show, 2010.

Tuesday, October 5, 2010 - FOP Election Day

Thursday, January 6, 2011 - National Conference of Shomrim Societies - 4 night Western Caribbean cruise - Sailing from Miami - ship Carnival Destiny - For information and reservations call Murray Ellman, 718-543-4825 or Marty Turetzky, 212-777-7809

GUEST SPEAKER:

As we go to press, I haven't heard from our speaker committee chairman, **Howard Rabinovitch**, who has been busy taking care of his wife **Diane** after a recent surgery.

I'm sure Howard will be arranging for some excellent and interesting speakers for future meetings.

Meanwhile, I'm sure some of our members might be able to get up and tell us all about their terrific summer activities and exciting plans for the future.

Request via National Shomrim:

Hello.

I am the author of *The Lost Synagogues of Brooklyn (Avotaynu, Inc.)*.

I am starting to work on editions featuring Lost Synagogues of the Bronx and Manhattan.

I would like to reach out to your society in two ways: to speak with

- (1) any members of the Shomrim (or their families) who went to a synagogue in either borough that has since closed (example: South Bronx, Washington Heights, etc.) I would like to interview them.
- (2) if any members of the Shomrim patrol the areas around closed synagogues (many of which have become churches or schools) I would like to interview them also.

Thank you very much for this opportunity!

Ellen Levitt, Brooklyn e-mail: bigsis464@yahoo.com

Chaplain's corner

Chaplain's High Holyday Message

As we enter the Jewish New Year 5771 let us hope and pray for health and tranquility for our families, the communities in which we live and serve, for our armed forces both near and far, for our beloved country and the entire world.

The High Holydays, as the name implies is a solemn period whose purpose is sacred, a time of profound introspection and resolve. A time when we must reflect on the good deeds, our misfortunes, and to accept responsibility for wrong doings over the past year. This is a time when we and G-d determine what our future will be, to reaffirm our dreams, ideals, hopes and visions for the future.

We pray that with the beginning of the New Year all of G-d's children everywhere will step through the portal of a bright and happy tomorrow. May the days ahead be for all of us the realization of our resolution to speak gently, to live honorably and act justly. May we forge our link with eternity through the justice of our deeds and the sensitivity of our souls.

May our every word and thought be an act of holiness within the sanctity of time.

On behalf of my dear wife Norma, our children and grandchildren, we wish all our members and your dear families a Healthy, Happy and Sweet Year.

Chaplain Alan Edwards

Member's corner:

Interesting **Shomrim** trivia :
submitted by **Art Gravitz:**

Shomrim held no meeting on 9/11/80. Our guest speaker on the previous meeting, 6/12/80, was Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice Bruce Kauffman who gave an interesting speech. He was accepted for membership in November.

From your editor, **Bernie Margulis:**

As a Lieutenant in the Major Crimes Division, the above was only one of many, many meetings I was unable to attend due to my work related duties. Between 1968 and 1982 (a little over 14 years) it was required that I work the 4 PM x 12 M tour every Wednesday and Thursday, to conduct the weekly stand-ups at the Detention Center. It wasn't until I was promoted to Captain in 1982 that I was able to get active again in Shomrim.

(and where did all the years go?)

Found on the 'net:

It can be hard keeping a straight face as a court reporter -

These are from a book called 'Disorder in the American courts', and are things people actually said in court, taken down by court reporters that had the torment of staying calm while these exchanges were actually taking place.

Attorney: What was the first thing your husband said to you that morning?

Witness: He said, "Where am I Cathy?"

Attorney: And why did that upset you?

Witness: My name is Susan!

Attorney: Are you sexually active?

Witness: No, I just lie there.

Attorney: This Myasthenia Gravis, does it affect your memory at all?

Witness: Yes.

Attorney: And in what ways does it affect your memory?

Witness: I forget.

Attorney: You forget? Can you give me an example of something you forgot?

Attorney: Now doctor, isn't true that when a person dies in his sleep, he doesn't know about it until the next morning?

Witness: Did you actually pass the bar exam?

Attorney: Your youngest son, the 20 year old, how old is he?

Witness: He's 20, much like your IQ.

Attorney: So the date of conception of the baby was August 8th?

Witness: Yes.

Attorney: And what were you doing at the time?

Witness: Getting laid.

Attorney: How was your first marriage terminated?

Witness: By death.

Attorney: And by whose death was it terminated?

Witness: Take a guess!

Attorney: Doctor, how many of your autopsies have you performed on dead people?

Witness: All of them. The live ones put up too much of a fight.

Attorney: Do you recall the time that you examined the body?

Witness: The autopsy started around 8:30 PM.

Attorney: And Mr. Denton was dead at the time?

Witness: If not, he was by the time I finished.

And last.....

Attorney: Doctor, before you performed the autopsy, did you check for a pulse?

Witness: No.

Attorney: Did you check for blood pressure?

Witness: No.

Attorney: Did you check for breathing?

Witness: No.

Attorney: So, then it is possible that the patient was alive when you began the autopsy?

Witness: No.

Attorney: How can you be so sure, Doctor?

Witness: Because his brain was sitting on my desk in a jar.

Attorney: I see, but could the patient have still been alive, nevertheless?

Witness: Yes, it is possible that he could have been alive and practicing law.

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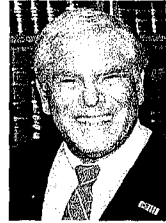
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