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About our members

Children's birthdays are listed on page 17

Mosaic Reform

MAZAL TOV TO:

Antonia and Howard Berger on the birth of their grandson, Reuben Emmett

Suzanne and Paul Levy on the engagement of their daughter, Danielle, to Jonathan Levine

BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Maurice Bloomfield, 80

Allan Bendel, 85

Basil Cohen, 85

Ruth Cole, 70

Jane Harrison, 60

Sheila Morris, 85

Richard Stanton, 70

Ilse Walters, 95

Gerald Wolff, 70

ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

Eunice and Stanley Carne on their 45th wedding anniversary

CONDOLENCES TO:

The family of Alan Berl Peter Mendel-Lion on the death of his sister, Rena Gamsa

GET WELL WISHES TO:

Betty Brand

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HEMS

BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Heather Eden, 70

Sheila Morris, 80

CONDOLENCES TO:

Sam Charkham on the death of his father, Monty Charkham

Heather Eden on the death of her sister, Barbara Vaughan

GET WELL TO:

Nicole Dousie

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Mosaic Liberal

BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

John Trafford

Ruth Harwood

Dora Mandel

Maisie Sinclair

Marie Capitelli

GET WELL WISHES TO:

Helena Stone



Welcome

A very happy (secular) New Year to all our readers and contributors! Our hope is that 2016 will be a whole lot better than 2015 in all imaginable ways. As the sage Barack Obama said after the most recent tragedy 'Our thoughts and prayers are not enough' – or, from Oliver Cromwell – 'Trust in God; but be sure to keep your powder dry'. I think you can see where we are going with this.

In Googling 'Oliver Cromwell' it is fascinating to learn that his decision to re-admit the Jews into England in 1656, after their expulsion 350 years earlier, was not because of any love of the Jewish people, or of the predicted economic benefits that a strong Jewish community could bring. Rather, he (and pious Protestants) believed that with Jews resident in England, it would be easier to convert them to Christianity, which he believed to be a pre-requisite for Christ's return to reign on earth! Interesting, or what?

Martin Simonis and Judy Silverton
(Joint Editors – *Kehila Monthly*)

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letters etc to [newsdesk@](mailto:newsdesk@choosemosaic.org)
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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

By Adrian Cohen – Chairman, Mosaic Liberal

Selection of Charities



Firstly, I must apologise, as I promised our members an update in December concerning the fifth charity that Mosaic Liberal Council was going to choose to be a recipient from our High Holy Day Appeal. To recap, back in September, the refugee crisis was worsening on a daily basis and Council felt that it needed more time to consider which of the many worthy charities we would select. After much discussion, Council chose Doctors of the World to be our fifth recipient.

Doctors of the World have a long history of working with refugees and vulnerable people all over the world. Doctors of the World have a significant presence in the Syrian refugee camps in Jordan. As well as helping those seeking safety, they run many programmes to help people who are vulnerable and at risk.

They also focus on ongoing support for refugees and migrants, who have reached the UK by offering prenatal and paediatric care, treating people most at risk, especially from

diseases such as Hepatitis C, HIV and Aids; they can also be found in London's East End, where they operate a drop-in clinic for all vulnerable people. Recently they started up pilot programmes in Hackney and Brighton which help all people at risk – migrants, refugees, sex workers and the homeless.

In view of the ongoing security situation in Israel, Council has approved a donation to another Israeli charity (in addition to EcoPeace) out of the proceeds of our Yom Kippur Appeal. Council selected Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem, specifically the Trauma Unit, where Jews and Arabs work together to save the lives of all terror casualties without regard to religion, race or political affiliation. The size of this extra donation depends on how much the community raises, so if you haven't yet sent in your donation please do so soonest and, if you have already donated, please feel free to give again!

Sermon from Mosaic Reform participatory service



During Rabbi Kathleen's absence on sabbatical, Mosaic Reform is holding a series of 'participatory' services, where lay members of the community take-on the various parts of the Shabbat service. At the service on 28th November, the sermon was prepared and delivered by Steve Levinson. That sermon is reproduced here for the benefit of all Mosaic members.

During Torah readings I often find my mind wandering, so I look through the footnotes in the Chumash or just turn the pages. Sometimes I ask myself whether these biblical stories are just fantasies, or does the Chumash serve as a historical document which can be placed in time and space, recording real events. And if these events do represent history, what

evidence can we see of history repeating itself?

Look at the story of Jacob... Did it happen and, if so, when, and is it still relevant today? In this case there's one obvious link, with the explanation of the origin of the name 'Israel'.

Recently I discovered that Jacob was alive around 1,750 BCE. If you don't believe me, I refer you to page 1052 of the Chumash, which provides a complete chronological timeline of Jewish biblical history.

This timeline gives us other interesting dates; for example, the date of the exodus from Egypt at 1,230 BCE. But by following the footnotes, we find a more precise date when Moses told Pharaoh that he was leaving and taking with him the children of Israel.

A footnote on page 251 refers to a Professor Mahler,

“When millions of people flee tyranny and look for safety elsewhere, we can say as Jews that we have been there before”

who calculates the date of the exodus as March 27, 1,335 BCE. He reasons that, as there was a solar eclipse of Egypt on March 13 that year, this was the date of the ninth plague of darkness. It still took Pharaoh another two weeks and a 10th plague before he allowed the Children of Israel to leave.

As a somewhat sceptical

journalist, I was reluctant to believe this story. Firstly, there was no month of March 3,300 years ago. Mars was the Roman god of war, and there were no Romans either! But another footnote explains that Jewish tradition claims that the exodus took place on the first of Nissan. And if you look up the first of Nissan on any Jewish calendar, you will find it falls about the last week of March!

So, maybe there is much historical detail in the Chumash. The genealogists among you will say that the richest source of information about the past is to be found in a census, for example, the census of the Children of Israel which was carried out soon after they left Egypt – and published in full in the Chumash. It tells us that there were 603,550 people in the census of 1,335 BCE. The figure is broken down into tribes; for example, Judah has a count of 74,600. But, there are lies, damn lies and statistics. And there are also some statistical adjustments; the census only counts men of fighting age over twenty, and it excludes the tribe of the Levites.

If you add in women and children, the old and the priests, you probably arrive at a total of some 2 to 3,000,000 people. This

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seems an impossibly huge number. But a recount was taken 38 years later, to see how many would enter the Promised Land. The figure was almost identical: 601,730 men of fighting age.

But, who exactly were these 2-3 million people?

We know them as the Children of Israel: we know they were on the move in large numbers, frightened people fleeing terror and tyranny, heading off on a dangerous journey seeking a better life. Which modern term would we use to describe them? Were they survivors, escapees, refugees, economic migrants or asylum seekers?

It is all very familiar, even the number, 2-3 million, the EU estimate of numbers displaced from Syria.

The big question for us as Jews is whether there is a present day lesson to be learnt from our own exodus of March, 1,335 BCE. This is tied up with other pressing issues. Do we have enough

jobs, housing, hospitals and schools for thousands of refugees? Is our security at risk from potential terrorists among them? Do we control our borders adequately? Does our membership of the EU present a problem?

These are all real practical issues, but they don't address the deeper moral question of what our attitude should be. Even if we think the biblical exodus is nonsense, with historical inaccuracies, it certainly addresses the moral question.

When millions of people flee tyranny and look for safety elsewhere, we can say as Jews that we have been there before, in both biblical times and in more recent history. The Chumash is clear what our attitude to these migrants should be.

It is a commandment that appears repeatedly in the Chumash and the Talmud and it states unambiguously:

“You shall not wrong a stranger nor oppress him. For you were strangers in the land of Egypt.”

Shoah Memorial, Milan

By Robin Goldsmith

The events of the Holocaust are indelibly and painfully etched in our minds. We are, of course, aware of the Kindertransport and other pivotal and tragic consequences of the Nazi regime, but there are many historical truths from this period that are perhaps less familiar. The exploits of the French resistance are certainly well documented, but what about other European nations under the dark clouds of fascism? One such nation was Italy, where hundreds of innocent people, mostly Jews, were forced on to livestock railcars and transported to concentration camps or Italian deportation centres.

After a rather hedonistic week in Italy interviewing a craft brewer in the beautiful medieval city of Bergamo and attending the EXPO (World Fair) in Milan, I spent a sobering hour and a half by Track 21 in Milan's Central Station. Hidden away beneath this magnificent marble and steel building completed in 1931 and which Mussolini intended to be an icon of the fascist state

(swastikas now removed) is a unique and virtually unchanged memorial to the Shoah.

Between 6th December 1943 and 15th January 1945, 15 trains were loaded here with Jews destined for Auschwitz, Bergen-Belsen, Ravensbrück and Flossenbürg, whereas civilian and military prisoners were taken to other concentration camps in Germany. Liliana Segre was a young woman who was among the approximately 20 Jews who survived Auschwitz out of the 605 (40 of whom were children) deported there from Milan on 30th January 1944. Milan's Shoah Memorial Museum is her testimonial for us and future generations. It opened in 2013 at the exact spot where the livestock wagons were locked and

then hoisted up to the tracks by a mail-carriage lift, before beginning their long journey of death. As the area was hidden from view of the general population, there were few witnesses to what was really occurring when trucks reversed into the station to unload their human cargo.

Approaching down one of the streets adjoining the station today, an armed guard standing on the pavement is the sole clue to the nature of what lies inside. It is a deeply moving and solemn place – dimly lit and stark. The first exhibit visitors see is the “Wall of Indifference” – a grey concrete wall into which huge letters have been carved



Deportation platform



Livestock wagon used in deportations

spelling out the word 'Indifferenza'. The deportation platform with its unfurnished railcars then comes into view and it is here that the reality of this human tragedy becomes more apparent. Another wall lists the names of the 774 Italian Jews deported from Milan's Central Station to Auschwitz-Birkenau between 6th December 1943 and 30th January 1944, 27 of whom survived (their names are highlighted). Being the sole visitor at this time, the only sounds I hear in the semi-darkness are those of workmen and the trains thundering above, a hint at how petrifying, incomprehensible and claustrophobic the atmosphere must have been for those poor souls, particularly children, forced to endure these terrible events. One placard described how many Jews – men, women, religious, lay people and the young – fought with the resistance and the partisans against the Nazis for their country's freedom. Another placard pays homage to the Italian 'Righteous among the Nations'. These are true stories that need to be told, something I was acutely mindful of as I left the building, passing by a group of schoolchildren sitting just inside the entrance, listening to their teacher in silence.

There is much to visit in this elegant city and the surrounding area, all within easy access of Milano Centrale Station. However, it is only through discovering less well known museums or sites of historical interest that we can inform others of small, yet vital projects such as these and go some way to ensuring that future generations are suitably educated on the horrors of European and world history.

Board of Deputies Report

Report of Plenary session on 13th December

By Michael Reik

The President and Chief Executive of the Board will be meeting with Jeremy Corbyn in February to hear the views of the current Labour Party leadership on matters affecting the UK Jewish Community as well as on Israel. There were thoughts from the floor ranging from a belief that our leadership should not meet with Jeremy Corbyn at all, through to consideration that it is essential to meet those with whom we disagree – especially the leader of a party that could form a future UK government.

It was confirmed that David Miliband will be guest speaker at the next Board of Deputies Annual Dinner on April 11th.

The annual Chanukah reception held at the House of Commons was very successful, with

about 80 Members of Parliament present.

Meetings have been held with Senior Executives at Sky News because the News channel seems to have trivialised the amount of day-to-day violence against Israelis in their news reports on the recent terror attacks.

The following people currently represent the Mosaic community to the Board of Deputies. The reps would be happy to hear from Council or from any member who wishes a matter to be taken up at the Board on their behalf:

Mosaic Liberal – (currently unfilled)

HEMS – Jonathan Fenster

Mosaic Reform:

Michael Reik,

Lawrence Chadwick

Review of the stage-play *Photograph 51*

Photograph: Johan Persson



Nicole Kidman as Rosalind Franklin



The real Rosalind Elsie Franklin

By Barbara Wrightman

My good friend and fellow congregant, Maurice Hoffman, often proclaims (loudly) that God is Jewish. This is mainly when he unexpectedly finds a parking space or when it doesn't pour with rain on shabbos or yomtov.

I felt something similar when, after several attempts, I managed the almost impossible and obtained a much prized ticket for "Photograph 51", the play about that very clever and talented Jewish crystallographer who was ultimately denied the Nobel Prize for her efforts.

Rosalind Franklin arrived at Kings College, London, in the 1950s only to be confronted by an antisemitic scientist who wrongly assumed she

would be his assistant when she had led her own team of scientists in Paris. The scientist in question was Maurice Wilkins and he was quite outspoken about Jews, believing that in the light of WW2 they should be grateful for what they were given. What changes, I ask myself? Crick and Watson, the famous team who did receive the Nobel prize for the discovery of DNA were equally antisemitic but were not above purloining vital and valuable photographs from Rosalind. These photos revealed the double-helix structure of DNA and therefore greatly advanced their discovery.

Our heroine was a very single-minded and dedicated scientist – so much so that she was careless with her numerous X-rays which later

on largely contributed to her terminal illness and, as is well-known, she tragically died at the tender age of 37.

Rosalind Franklin was born into a well-connected family. Her great-uncle, to whom she always referred as "Uncle Herbert", was the highly regarded Herbert Samuel who became the first practising Jew to sit in the British Cabinet. In his time he held many positions in Government but, as far as Jews are concerned, his main claim to fame must be the fact that he wrote the memorandum that resulted in the formation of the Balfour Declaration in 1917.

The play itself was so well constructed and the bare legs of the set were fitting. The acting was excellent and, although I had been somewhat sceptical as to whether it was worthwhile to bring Nicole Kidman all the way across the pond to play this part, I was proved wrong; she captured the essential character perfectly and conveyed Rosalind's single-mindedness and huge capacity for work so well. She is in fact on stage most of the time, as were the other actors, so although it's a short play, it must be exhausting to perform. The run is completed now but no doubt there will be a revival at some stage for such a worthwhile project.

DEFENDING THE FAITHS

Sunday 10th January 2016 – 7.30 pm
39 Bessborough Road, Harrow HA1 3BS



**Jonathan Arkush –
President, Board of
Deputies of British Jews**



**Mark Gardner – Director of
Communications at the
Community Security Trust**



**Simon Ovens – Borough
Commander, Harrow Police**



**Fiyaz Mughal, OBE – Founder
& Director of Faith Matters**

We will be entertaining four high profile members of the community who will explain in detail the major problems faced by the Jewish community in the United Kingdom and how this is dealt with on a day to day basis. We shall also learn specifically how all the local religious faiths are protected by the Constabulary and the interaction between our Community and those around us.

To book please ring 020-8864 0133 or email admin@choosmosaic.org

Adult Education

“Who was the most influential Jewish artisan ever?”

Come discover, discuss, agree, disagree, dispute with Adrian Cohen on

Saturday, 13th February

after the Shabbat service.

Please feel free to bring along your own items of silver, whether ritual or not, for appraisal and discussion.

A light lunch will be provided.

Rabbi Frank

Shiurs: 9th Jan, 13th Feb

Sceptics: 16th Jan,
5th March

Hebrew Reading:
30th Jan, 19th March



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**For further information call
Bertha (contact via the Office)**

FILM MOSAIC

At 20:00 on Tuesday 26th January 2016

‘YENTL’

From an Isaac Bashevis Singer (1902-1991) story originally published in Yiddish, this movie was released in 1983. It is the story of a young woman, Yentl Mendel, who secretly wants to study Talmud but because girls were not allowed to learn the law in those days, she is denied her dream. When her father dies, Yentl is all alone in the world. She takes the momentous decision to leave the village and – disguised as a boy – gets admitted to a Yeshiva, to study the texts, traditions, subtleties and complexities of Torah, Talmud. There is no doubt that this is a Schmatlzy vehicle for Barbra Streisand’s many talents. It divided critics and the public alike. It also introduced a young actor named Mandy Patinkin (Saul from Homeland).

Why not come along and be “Schmaltzed”, and see if this film has matured with age.

(Subtitles)

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



Elder Statesmen

ANOTHER IN OUR ELDER STATESMEN SERIES

Steve Levinson will be “In Conversation”
with Sam Walport

Saturday 30th January

(after the service, Kiddush and a light lunch)

Sam, 95 years of age, born in Glasgow, qualified as a doctor in 1943 then served in the R.A.M.C. in India and West Africa. After demobilisation, he served as Ship's Surgeon on a Cable Ship in South America.

In 1952, he married and settled down in Northolt as a G.P.

Now 35 years retired, and with two workshops, he is fully occupied with his hobbies.

Sam is the father of Jane Prentice.



Wednesday 9th March 8.00 pm Mosaic Whisky Evening



39 Bessborough Road, Harrow, Middlesex, HA1 3BS

Ticket price: £15

- You will have a chance to try a selection of 5 single malt whiskies from a 12 year old through to a 34 year old , not generally found on the high street. (Arran, Bowmore, Benromach, Glasgow, Gordon & MacPhail, Hazelburn, Kilkerran, Laphroaig, Longrow, Macallan, Springbank, Teeling).
- On the night you will receive a voucher for a 10% discount on your first order (That's your ticket price back!)
- Also you will be given a link to web site(s) to retrieve your discount plus Mosaic will receive a donation on your first & subsequent orders.

Book your place by **Wednesday 2nd March** at the latest.

All cheques payable to Mosaic Jewish Community Ltd or

Pay via our website www.choosemosaic.org

Singing Seniors

By June Cass

If you had visited Bessborough Road on any Thursday in November, you would have heard the joyful sound of a grand piano belting out hits from the Second World War and earlier, accompanied by hearty singing and lots of laughter.

This is a new group for people with memory problems, initiated by Gay Saunders, our Community Care Co-Ordinator, and led by Rachel Weston. Rachel is a classically trained singer, who directs two choirs and facilitates song-leading sessions around London. Rachel enjoys teaching Yiddish repertoire and has worked for 'Singing for the Brain', a service provided by the Alzheimer's Society. She also has eight years' experience as a carer and home support worker.

At the moment we have seven in the group, all accompanied by their partners, carer, or volunteer, so altogether we have 14 people in the circle.

The sessions occur every Thursday from 14:00 and start with tea and cake. My role is to make the tea, but I also enjoy the sing-along. Socialising around the tea table has become a very enjoyable and valuable part of the experience. People, who are not able to get out and about much, have got to know one another and there is a lot of joking and shared reminiscences. New friendships have been forged.



Rachel has designed a stimulating and comprehensive weekly music session, specifically for people with memory problems. She starts with a welcome song, including the names of everyone in the group, warm up exercises involving physical stretches and stretching vocal chords. She includes some favourite songs from the past and also new material. She uses songbooks and percussion instruments before the farewell song. The idea is to stimulate the brain, memory and muscles which are used for talking and singing; the exercise also relieves stress. I think it works: all the participants love it. One member of the group has said it makes her feel 20 again. It's the joining-in and being a valued member of the group that counts. You don't have to be a great singer!

If anyone has a relative or who knows of an elderly person who would enjoy this group and who could benefit from it, please contact: communitycare@mosaicreform.org.uk or phone Gay in the Office.



Silk painting exhibition

Correction to dates for Jane Harrison's silk painting exhibition

There was an error in last month's article. Jane will be exhibiting her silk paintings at Northwood and Pinner Liberal Synagogue, Oaklands Gate, Northwood HA6 3AA from 6th January-15th February.

Monday to Friday, 09:00-12:00. Please check with the NPLS office: 01923 822 592. Sunday viewing by appointment with Carole Kettle on: 07956 312719 or email caroleannek17@gmail.com

Review of Mosaic Mitzvah Day activities



The whole group and the 40 boxes, featuring Mark from Barnados, centre stage (left)

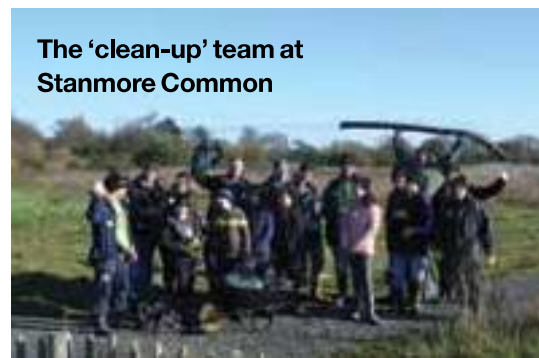
By David Pollak

On November 22nd, Mosaic Jewish Community with Kol Chai Reform synagogue in Hatch End took part in a very busy Mitzvah Day morning together. There was a variety of indoor and outdoor activities, in which members of all ages could take part. Many of our activities aimed at providing help to families and children who are finding life difficult at the moment.

We collected twenty bags of outdoor clothing for families who need warm clothing in the East End. Some of our younger children made cards to send to

children who are in hospital in Israel through the “Save a Heart” organisation and others made welcome cards to go in “Separated children” parcels. Everyone enjoyed making up boxes to send to the Barnados Freeman Family Centre in Harlesden. By the time we finished, we had made up over forty boxes, which will be given to the children at the centre at their Christmas party (see the picture at the top of the page, which also appeared in Jewish News).

We were lucky to welcome Mark, a Barnardo’s child, who was able to tell us all about the history of Barnados and



The ‘clean-up’ team at Stanmore Common

what they are doing today for vulnerable children. For those who liked gardening, we filled plant pots with bulbs and then decorated bags to put them in; these will be given to the elderly who visit our Friendship Club at Mosaic.

For the strong and hardy, a group went to Stanmore Common and, working with the Harrow Conservation Forum, spent a cold but dry morning helping to clean some parts of the Common.

We also provided a collection point for CDs to be sent to Tzedek for their “CDs for Seed” project and finally, a saliva collection point, where some of our younger adult members and members up to the age of 55 were able to add their names to the Bone Marrow Register. In the evening, we welcomed the Berakah players, a multi-faith orchestra, who put on a brilliant concert to an audience of over 100 – our children spent time in the kitchen making cakes for the pre-concert nibbles.

The day’s activities were enjoyed by all and we now look forward to Mitzvah Day 2016!



Making cards to send to children in hospital in Israel



Making-up “separated children” parcels

Pictures from Mosaic Chanukah event
Photographs by Howard Smith





**Pictures from HaMakom
Chanukah Celebrations**
Photographs by FDS



Situations Vacant



Do you have an hour or two of spare time each week? If yes then please contact us at volunteering@choosmosaic.org or 020 8864 0133 and we can discuss a number of the projects we have at the moment including:

- Supporting our team of teenagers who are selling members' unwanted items on ebay, proceeds to Cancer Research UK. They are specifically looking for help with collecting items and getting them to the post office once sold.
- Joining our journalist team to help create articles and posts for our magazines, website and social media (Facebook)
- Following the success of Mosaic Shabbat and 'joint' festival activities and services we are looking for people to join a cross community Ritual events team to help

plan and organise events around Purim, Shavuot, further Shabbatot, etc.

- If you have design skills then we could use your help for a few hours a month to join the team that produces publicity for Mosaic events and activities.
- Mosaic is looking to appoint an intern to work with the Community and Communications teams – professional training, support and development counselling will be provided. If you know anyone who might be interested please ask them to contact us at communitydevelopment@choosmosaic.org

For further information or to discuss any of the above, please contact us at volunteering@choosmosaic.org or 020 8864 0133



SFEF

Sidney Fenton Education Foundation

Are you thinking about going on Israel Tour, to Summer Camp or Limmud?

SFEF offer grants every year to help with the cost of participating in these (and similar) Jewish educational experiences and courses!

If you are interested then contact the Trustees c/o the office at Mosaic Reform, stating for what purpose you would benefit from our funding.

Neil's Brain Teaser



You are standing at the edge of a lake. The lake is 500 feet in diameter and there is a small island directly in the middle. There is a large tree next to you and a large tree in the middle of the island. You cannot swim and you have a little over 500 feet of rope. How can you use the rope as a means to get to the island in the middle of the lake?

Answer to the Teaser in the December issue:

The food where you throw away the outside and cook the inside, then eat the outside and throw away the inside is... A corn on the cob. You throw away the husk, cook the corn that is inside, then eat the outside of the corn and throw away the core that is inside.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Children's Birthdays

Alex Landau (9)

Chloe Shackell (6)

Elizabeth Witte(4)

Kiev Koppers Update

By Rita Asbury

During the past few weeks I have had some very generous donations, which means that before the end of December, I will have been able to bank another £100!! Thank you to all who have been so generous. Every penny is accounted for and our full total now is £15,700!!

Let us keep up our Kopper Kollektion. Our friends in Kiev are so grateful for our continued support.

KEEP THE KOPPERS KOMING!!!

What's on

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:

Mosaic Liberal: Bessborough Road: Friday 19:00 (Chavurah supper last Friday every month after service), Saturday 11:00

HEMS: Girl Guide Headquarters (GGHQ), Hatch End: Saturday 09:30

Mosaic Reform: Bessborough Road: Friday 19:00, Saturday 10:30

January

Wednesday	6 th	20:00	Council meetings
Friday	8 th	19:00	Contemplative service (ML)
Saturday	9 th		<i>Shabbat Va'era</i>
		09:30	Shiur with Rabbi Frank
		19:00	Harrow Bereavement Supper Quiz
Sunday	10 th	19:30	'Defending the Faiths' (see page 9)
Tuesday	12 th	20:00	Mosaic Photography Group (contact Pat Zatz)
Thursday	14 th	14:00	Singalong for people with memory problems (see page 12)
Saturday	16 th		<i>Shabbat Bo</i>
			Participatory service (MR)
		09:30	Sceptic's session
		11:00	Shabbat shira family service
Sunday	17 th		Kehila copy date (February edition)
Sunday	17 th	09:45	HaMakom – new term begins
Wednesday	20 th	12:30	Luncheon Club
		20:00	Mosaic Book Club – 'Attention All Shipping' by Charlie Connolly
Thursday	21 st	14:00	Singalong for people with memory problems
Saturday			<i>Shabbat Beshalach</i>
Sunday	24 th	13:00	Tombstone consecration – David Stein – Edgwarebury Lane
		19:30	'La Boheme to Broadway' (see front page)
Tuesday	26 th	20:00	Film Mosaic – 'Yentl' (see page 10)
Thursday	28 th		Kehila distribution (February edition)
		14:00	Singalong for people with memory problems
Friday	29 th	20:00	Pot luck supper
Saturday	30 th		<i>Shabbat Yitro</i>
		09:30	Hebrew Reading practice
			Rabbi Laura Janner-Klausner visiting Mosaic Reform
		13:00	Elder Statesman interview – Steve Levinson in conversation with Sam Walport (see page 11)

February

Wednesday	3 rd	20:00	Council meetings
Tuesday	9 th	20:00	Mosaic Photography Group (contact Pat Zatz)
Saturday	13 th	13:00	Influential Jewish artisans' – talk on ritual silver by Adrian Cohen (see page 10)
Sunday	14 th		Kehila copy Date (March edition)
			No HaMakom – Half term
Wednesday	17 th	12:30	Luncheon Club
Saturday	20 th	11:00	Shabbat shira family service
Sunday	21 st		No HaMakom – Half term
Thursday	25 th		Kehila distribution (March edition)
Friday	26 th	20:00	Pot luck supper

Every Week

Jan | Feb

Monday	11:00
Friendship Club	
Monday	20:00
Group 326	
Sunday	09:45
HaMakom	
Thursday	14:00
Together on a Thursday	



Concert by 'The Berakah Players' on 22nd November. Over 100 people attended this brilliant event – a continuing celebration of music for peace by a collective of musicians from multi-faith heritages. The event was preceded by a children's activity workshop.

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