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## Yom Huledet Sameach ~ Happy Birthday!



Happy Birthday, Feliz Cumpleanos, Yom Huledet Sameach are the words that we use to wish a person a new year of his/her life! This May, we will celebrate another anniversary of the State of Israel, Medinath Israel!

It is hard to imagine a world without Israel! May 14, 1948 (5 Yiar, 5708) marked a historical moment for the world of Jewry. After being persecuted, cremated, blasphemed, and killed, the State of Israel became our guarantee that we will never again be treated as second-class citizens. Today, we can choose to live in Israel or any other country, but if we need Israel, Israel will be there for us.

Since its creation, the State of Israel has contributed to improving our world. These are some of the theories and products that were discovered and developed in Israel: The model of quasicrystals, the discovery of the role of protein Ubiquitin, the Formulation of Black holes Entropy, the Pillcam endoscopic capsule developed by Given Imaging, the development of the Copaxone immunomodulator drug for treating multiple sclerosis, the Nanowire – a conductive wire made of a string of tiny particles of silver, a thousand times thinner than a human hair, and the world's smallest DNA computing machine system – “the smallest biological computing device” ever constructed, according to Guinness Book of Records.

Israeli devices that are more known are the USB flash drive, the quicktionary electronic dictionary – a pen-sized scanner able to scan words or phrases and immediately translate them into other languages, and the laser keyboard.

Our Jewish Reform movement has its strong presence, too. It is called Israel Movement for Progressive and Reform Judaism (IMPJ). The IMPJ seeks to strengthen Jewish identity in Israel. There are reform congregations, from Nahariya in the north to Kibbutz Lotan in the southern desert, seeking to bring Israelis closer to Jewish heritage and culture and to the values of pluralism, equality, and humanism. The oldest Reform educational presence in Israel is the Leo Baeck School in Haifa. Today in Israel, eighty percent of Israeli Jews consider themselves secular and in a recent survey, thirty-four percent of Israeli Jews said that the Progressive movement is the Jewish movement they most identify with.

This month, we celebrate Israel's seventy-four years of existence, seventy-four years of accomplishments and more to do. I dream that someday, you and I will appreciate those accomplishments with our own eyes. I dream that someday, you and I will celebrate Israel's birthday in the land of Israel!

Yom Huledet Sameach, Medinath Israel! Happy Birthday Israel!

Rabbi Claudio J. Kogan, MD, MBE, MEd

# THE SHOFAR

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# *Let's Celebrate!*

## May Anniversaries

**May 2nd, Barbara Stafford & Rob Armstrong**  
29th anniversary

**May 6th, Jen & David Sherman**  
27th anniversary

**May 18th, Sue & Frank Kinkela**  
18th anniversary



## May Birthdays

May 4th, Laura Weiss

May 6th, Carol Gladstone

May 6th, Ella Love, 13th birthday

May 7th, Judy Holmes

May 10th, Marcia Rector

May 12th, Debra Rideman

May 13th, Jen Sherman

May 16th, Maury Keiser

May 22nd, Aaron Fuhrmann

May 27th, Molly Grossholz



## *In Memoriam*

**May 3rd, Philip Bernstein**

Father of Gary Bernstein

**May 3rd, Jonathan Pauker**

Nephew of Elianne Sims

**May 4th, Irving Arenofsky**

Father of Betsy Lee

**May 5th, Norris Brannstrom**

Forever friend of Maxine Kronick

**May 6th, Matthew Tillenger**

Cousin of Liz Feldman

**May 9th, Harry Eisler**

Grandfather of Jaime Combs

**May 10th, Oscar Goldberg**

Father of George Goldberg

**May 10th, Caroline Marx**

Grandmother of Joe Marx

**May 11th, Arthur Heilweil**

Husband of Marge Heilweil

**May 12th, Gloria Cohen**

Mother of Nancy Cohen

**May 13th, Stuart Feldman**

Son of Roberta Feldman

**May 13th, Nathan N. Perlman**

Brother of Benita Sirkin

**May 14th, David Salinger**

Father of Ellie Sussman

**May 14th, Lloyd Swickle**

Uncle of Jane Seiden

**May 15th, Jody Cruise Nichols**

Step Daughter of Bernice Cruise

**May 15th, Blanche Stoll**

Grandmother of Ellen Miller

**May 16th, Herman Shepett**

First Husband of Bernice Cruise

**May 17th, Cecilia Aronoff**

Mother of Bonnie Yales-Gibson

**May 18th, Minnie Lavenberg**

Grandmother of Barbara Kushner

**May 18th, Mary Seiden**

Mother of Henry Seiden

**May 19th, Seymour Friedman**

Father of Marge Heilweil

**May 20th, Isaac Cohen**

Father of Marty Cohen

**May 20th, Miriam Epstein**

Grandmother of Jane Seiden

**May 21st, Meryl Goldman**

Wife of Rabbi Mark Goldman

**May 21st, Beatrice Rogove**

Mother of Art Rogove

**May 22nd, Lilian Mirman**

Mother of Joe Mirman

**May 22nd, Edith Spiegleman**

Mother of Isabel Sherman &

Grandmother of Dave Sherman

**May 23rd, Ann Diamond**

Mother of Pamela Diamond

**May 24th, Mitchell Kasriel**

Uncle of David Kasriel

**May 24th, Louis Miller**

Grandfather of Phil Kushner

**May 25th, Mel Segal**

Friend of Rabbi Fred Raskind

**May 25th, Harry Sorkin**

Father of Bob Sorkin

**May 26th, Tillie Henkin**

Grandmother of Bruce Simon

**May 29th, Blanche Goreff**

Great aunt of Samuel Zucker

**May 30th, Irene Hale Andrews**

Aunt of Bev Darkatsh

**May 30th, Irwin Jolles**

Beloved Companion of Bev Darkatsh

**May 30th, Mildred Meiselman**

Stepmother of Chuck Meiselman

*May their memory be a blessing...*

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Cathy & David Kasriel - In memory of Francis Joseph Rhodes, father of Cathy Kasriel and Robert H. Kasriel, father of David Kasriel

### **Mitzvah Fund**

Sara-Sue Kinkela - In memory of my mother, Regina Pearce

### **Murray Weiss Fund**

Bernice Cruise - In memory of my daughter Hope Shepett, miss you more as time goes by

### **JNF Plant a Tree Fund**

Bernice Cruise 2 trees in memory of my daughter, Hope Shepett; 1 tree in memory of my nephew Steve Garr, husband of Phyllis Garr; 1 tree in memory of my nephew Steve Garr, brother of Bruce and Susan Garr

## **Upcoming Events for May. Mark your calendar!**

### **Religious School Awards**

Sunday, May 1st

### **Board Meeting**

Tuesday, May 3rd, 7:00 – 8:00pm

### **Lifelong Education Program with Rabbi Kogan via Zoom**

Wednesday, May 4th, 6:00 – 7:30pm

### **Bingo/Pizza Night**

Saturday, May 7th, 6:00 – 9:00pm

### **Shabbat Service**

Friday, May 13th, 7:30 – 9:30pm

### **Annual Congregational Meeting**

Wednesday, May 18th, 6:30 – 8:00pm

### **Letter fill in for new Torah**

Sunday, May 15th, 12:30 – 6:00pm

### **Letter fill in for new Torah**

Monday, May 16th, 10:00-4:00pm

### **Board Installation Shabbat Service**

Friday, May 20th, 7:30 – 9:30pm

### **Executive Committee Meeting**

Tuesday, May 24th, 5:30 – 6:30pm

### **Sisterhood Book Club: *The Book of Lost Names* by Kristin Harmel**

Wednesday, May 25th, 1:00 – 2:00pm



**When:** Saturday Night, May 7, 2022

Starting at 6:00 pm

**What:** For the adults, a complete pizza dinner and a full night of bingo with cash prizes (10 chances to win)

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