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For High Holidays, do the unexpected: Double down

By David Suisse
(Jewish Journal via JNS) – With Jewish communal life turned upside down during these pandemic times, and the High Holidays approaching, the anxiety of uncertainty is reaching a peak.

How will we deal, for example, with the fact that synagogues – the places many of us cherish – are expected to remain closed throughout the holidays and beyond?

One of the key questions is whether synagogue members and others will make their usual donations at this time of year. After all, why donate to an empty space?

In communities where digital technology is not permitted, the question is: Do I want to pay for a virus-restricted indoor prayer service, especially if I have access to a more comfortable private backyard service?

At a time when so many people have taken financial hits, and so many are now used to living online, these are not questions.

The same applies to other Jewish institutions, such as schools, museums, community centers and the like: How much revenue can an inactive space generate? How much will people contribute for an online experience that competes with a million others?

Are we talking about huge halls, fancy restaurants or tiny synagogues, “inactive space” is the defining reality of the COVID-19 era. Let’s face it, this is a social and communal upheaval – our physical spaces have become health liabilities.

How does one react to such radical disruption? In the case of synagogues, perhaps the easy answer is to “opt out” of the traditional membership model – give less, engage less – until things return to normal.

I’d like to suggest a more radical response: Let’s double down.

Yes, during this extraordinary crisis, let’s not just opt in, let’s double down.

For those who can afford it, double down and give more to your synagogue than you normally do. For those who can’t afford it, find ways to do more and engage more. Bring more Judaism into your home. Deepen your learning. Find more ways to help others.

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In My Own Words

The summer of 2020

The title of the article was not meant to be ironic: At the time the magazine was written (usually six months before it appears), it was still possible to imagine we could have “(the) Best Summer Yet.” The article asked readers to list answers to the following: “It wouldn’t be summer without…” “This summer I want to try…” “must-have moments,” etc. So, I decided to actually think about it. For me, it wouldn’t be summer if I wasn’t able to sit outside (in the shade) and read a book. In my case, I read a lot of children’s books ranked as an important activity the past few years. I didn’t have plans to try anything new because I am not adventurous, but going for walk every day in the park has been a pleasant change of pace. (I usually walk on the streets near my house.)

One of the biggest questions I asked the strongest, and strongest reaction. The question asked readers to pretend it was fall and to think about what moments we would not have wanted to miss. My summer answer was: “I’d like to suggest a more radical response: Let’s double down. Yes, during this extraordinary crisis, let’s not just opt in, let’s double down. For those who can afford it, double down and give more to your synagogue than you normally do. For those who can’t afford it, find ways to do more and engage more. Bring more Judaism into your home. Deepen your learning. Find more ways to help others.”

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The Reporter
BD Sisterhood cancels opening meeting

The Beth David Sisterhood canceled its opening meeting of the new season, which was to be held on Wednesday, September 9. No Zoom alternative has been scheduled.

“We had looked forward to seeing all our friends and members in person, but due to health concerns, we have decided that the well-being of our members was more important than our need to connect socially,” said organizers of the event. “We were looking forward to once again hearing what we are sure would have been inspirational words from Judy Silber putting us in the proper state of mind for the upcoming High Holidays. Judy’s talks are always interesting and educational, and we will miss hearing from her this year.”

Sisterhood organizers said that they hoped to find a safe and socially acceptable way to hold the October meeting, which is currently scheduled for Wednesday afternoon, October 14. Members will be informed when a decision is made about whether or not the meeting will be held.

“On behalf of the Executive Board of Beth David Sisterhood and our membership, we wish that the entire community will be blessed with a happy and healthy new year,” said Cathy Velenchik, co-president. “May we all soon be able to meet safely and without fear of COVID-19. Now more than ever, we are responsible for each other’s welfare in addition to our own.”

Beth David Synagogue held virtual lecture

On August 6, Beth David Synagogue held a Zoom lecture given by Etan Morell on “Connecting Archaeology and the Bible” in memory of his father, Samuel (Shmuel) Morell, who passed away in April. Shown are some of those attending.

“Operation Home” lands new olim from Mexico, as well as Israelis stranded abroad

By JNS staff

(JNS) – A first-of-its-kind charter flight from Mexico carried 230 new immigrants to Israel on August 11. Dubbed “Operation Home,” the flight was organized by the Jewish Agency for Israel and Hanoar Hatzioni, with support from Keren Hayesod.

Taking off from Mexico City, the flight carried 50 new olim and 150 Hanoar Hatzioni graduates who will take part in Masa, a project co-founded by the Jewish Agency and Israeli government that connects young adults with immersive, long-term experiences throughout the Jewish state. “Operation Home” also brought back dozens of Israelis who have been stranded due to the limited availability of flights during the coronavirus pandemic.

After visiting Israel last year, Carlos and Miriam Mercado, and their four children, knew they wanted to make aliya. “Here, I feel truly at home,” said Miriam Mercado. “In Mexico, we are always viewed as ‘those Jews’ and never felt safe to go out with a kippah. We knew we would always be a minority.”

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In his review of the film on the website Unseen Films, Nate Hood wrote, “Whether she’s cruising the streets of New York, raising a group of terrified 4-year-old boys from the cops, or visiting the graves of her enslaved ancestors, Marussač is a mesmerizing presence, a living embodiment of tikkun olam. We knew we would never be a minority.”

Nichols’ studio concerts during the pandemic have continued his impact. His URJ “Campfire on Tour” concert in late June was the impetus for the project. Rabbi Steve Weissman reached out to him to put together an online Selichot musical and storytelling program.

Nichols has been featured at the conferences and conventions of nearly every major Jewish movement, including the URJ Biennial, NFTY Convention, BBYO International and Limmud. In addition to his musical talents, Nichols has been called a gifted teacher.

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Most Jewish histories focus on Europe, the United States or the Middle East. That’s understandable since the majority of Jews throughout the centuries lived in those areas. While New York and Los Angeles are rich in Jewish history, China offers some lesser known, but fascinating, stories about two Jewish families—the Sassoons and Kadoories—both of whom left China and made their fortunes in Asia. A look at their lives and accomplishments can be found in “The Last Kings of Shanghai: The Jewish Rival Dynasties That Helped Create Modern China” by Jonathan Kaufman (Viking). Kaufman, a Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter, notes the unusual role the families had in China and that their destinies have often been depicted as simple.

Kaufman’s clear and easy prose offers great details about the most important members of the family. The Sassoon dynasty began when David Sassoon left Iraq in 1829 after backing the wrong political party. Fortunately, his influential family was able to help him when he moved first to India and then to Shanghai. The family made its fortune through a variety of industries, including the opium trade. David needed workers he could trust and opened Sassoon schools for Jewish workers. David also built his own hospital, offered additional training at another Sassoon school, helped retirees who had no family to aid them and endowed a cemetery where they could be buried.

One of these workers was Elly Kadoories, who began working for Sassoon when he was 15, but who quit after Sassoon management rebuked him for giving out disinfectant without permission to Chinese workers during a plague. Unlike the Sassoons, who generally partnered with the British, Elly formed some partnerships with Chinese. Both families became enormously successful and that success continued for more than a century. Unfortunately, both families misread what was happening in China—Chinese. Both families became enormously successful and with the British, Elly formed some partnerships with the Chinese. Both families became enormously successful and that success continued for more than a century. Unfortunately, both families misread what was happening in China—Chinese. Both families became enormously successful and with the British, Elly formed some partnerships with the Chinese. Both families became enormously successful and that success continued for more than a century. Unfortunately, both families misread what was happening in China—Chinese.

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The Kadoories had more trouble with Jewish refugees before and during World War II, although they also suffered at the hands of the Japanese once the United States entered the war. Ho Fen-Shan, a Chinese diplomat in Austria, helped create the influx of refugees by issuing visas to Shanghai, which allowed them to leave the country. When the Japanese captured Hong Kong, they treated the Jewish community relatively well at first. They believed the Jewish community of Shanghai could influence U.S. government policy, even though few Jews in China had any American connections.

The Sassoons, collecting birthday and social invitations and enjoying dinner and weight-loss cures with the heir to the British throne, saw themselves as British. The Chinese, seeing the Sassoon business interests advancing beneath the Union Jack, saw the Sassoons as British. But many British saw the Sassoons as Jews. This is particularly true for the Chinese during the years the family was involved in the opium trade. At the time, the trade was legal and the Sassoons were concerned about making money, not with people’s health. But the racism underlying this response is noted by the fact that, as Kaufman notes, “The Sassoons avoided the drug themselves, and they, like many British in Shanghai, scoffed and ridiculed any Westerners they saw using it, especially when they developed the sallow yellow color of an addict.”

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By Bill Simons

Kibbutz Gezer, a farming community in central Israel, was originally founded by Holocaust survivors following World War II. Despite heavy pressure to leave the country, the survivors persevered against the odds and created a strong agricultural foundation. Kibbutz Gezer in the early 1960s. Kibutz Gezer arose anew in the mid-1970s with the arrival of American-born residents of Gezer served in the Israeli Defense Forces. They learned to manage crops. Reflective of their American cultural heritage, these Israeli immigrants built a 1,300-seat ballpark close to the site of an ancient Macedonian enclosure. In 2007, Kibbutz Gezer, a demographic bellwether, became home to 300 residents, and probably hosted two professional baseball teams on its ballfield.

The Israel Baseball League, thus far the Middle East’s only professional baseball circuit, was born—and died—in 2007. Armed with visionary leadership and homemade ingenuity, the creation of American baseball by Auer Doubleday is myth. The creation of the IBL by Larry Baras is reality. An American “business,” Baras’ invention of the UnHoley Bagel, pre-stuffed with cream cheese, had led to prosperity for his Boston-based business, SJF Food Inc. An epiphany at an independent minor league baseball in Rockton, MA, led Baras to believe that professional baseball, despite evident obstacles, could be viable in Israel.

Prominent and respected Jewish-American leaders bought into Baras’ dream. Daniel C. Kurtzer, former U.S. ambassador to Egypt and Israel, agreed to serve as the commissioner of the IBL. MLB Commissioner Bud Selig, New York Yankees President Randy Levine and Smith College Professor of Economics Andrew Zimbalist joined the IBL Advisory Board. Opening day for the IBL was on Sunday night, June 24, 2007, at Yarkon Field at the Baptist Village in Petach Tikva, near Tel Aviv, with an impressive offering of 3,112.

In addition to the ballfields at Yarkon and Gezer, IBL games were also played at Spade Park Tel Aviv, leveled courses open, and played Safed. Infeld tiles with concrete backing, corrugated metal and glass counted among Sportek major problems. Each park hosted two home teams. Handicapped by a player draft conducted without relevant evaluative information, team rosters varied greatly in talent, impeding competitive balance among the six IBL teams—the Bet Shemesh Blue Sox, Modi’in, in Meretz, Tanya Tigers, Petach Tikva Pioneers and Ramatana Express.

With no spring training practice, the IBL regular season commenced on June 24 and ended on August 15. Some teams played 40 regular season games, others 41. Bet Shemesh finished first during the regular season and went on to win the August 16-19 post-season playoffs. The biggest names in the IBL were the managers. With 174 MLB victories, Ken Holtzman, manager of the Petach Tikva Pioneers, remains the winningest Jewish pitcher in major league history. A hitting hero of the iconic 1969 New York Mets, Art Shamsky piloted the Modi’in. Another potent batter, former New York Yankee Ron Blomberg, became, in 1973, MLB’s first designated hitter. Holtzman, Shamsky and Blomberg all lacked previous managerial experience and did not have name recognition amongst most native Israelis. Only one Israeli, Ami Baras, managed an IBL team. As for the IBL players, there was a significant range in their skills and baseball backgrounds, encompassing those with minor league, international and college experience, as well as those whose uniformly formed team represented a high school. The multinational, 120-player IBL drew athletes from diverse places, including Australia, the Dominican Republic and Japan. Most of the players were Americans. Jews, 18 see “Dreams” on page 9

Resources.

different sites around the country. To see the video, visit https://video.ekov.com/a/Am2Ly. For more information about Birthright Israel, visit https://www.brandeis.edu.hbi/36x115.

The Lower East Side Jewish Conserva-
tory will hold “Auschwitz #2047 – The Jews of Eastern Europe: A Book Talk on Zoom” with author Nancy Sprowell Geise on Wednesday, September 9, from 7-8:30 pm. The talk is limited to 100 registrants. For more information or to register, visit www.nyiewisewishorg.org/event-log/36x148. A free online-tool-kit of music and inspiration, The Streicker Center’s fall catalog can be found at https://streicker.nyc/cata-

The Center for Jewish History will host “Bebas Einstein: The Extraordinary Life of an Ordinary Girl” is available now at museum.yivo.org. Visit this online adaptation of YIVO’s archive of more than 23 million documents and artifacts to illustrate 20th century Jewish history through the active narration of one young girl’s story.

The Jewish Museum of Florida: FUI will host “Thursday at Three: Jacqueline Goldstein with Billy Corben” on Thursday, September 10, at 1 pm. Register at forms.office.com to receive a link to the Zoom program. For more information or to how to register, visit www.36x225.

The YIVO Bruce and Francesca Slesin Oral History Center will host “Anatomy of a Genocide: The Life and Death of a Town” with Omer Bartov (“Erased” and “Anatomy of a Genocide: The Life and Death of a Town Called Buczacz”). For more information or to register, visit www.reconstructingjudaism.org/recon-connect.

The Center for Jewish History will hold “Family Affairs: Writing Personal Histories – Live on Zoom” on Thursday, September 17, at 5 pm. The program is pay what you like.” The program explores researching and writing about Jewish experiences from a personal perspective. The two authors featured will be Daniel Mendelsohn (“The Lost: A Search for Six of Six Million”) and Omer Bartov ("Erased" and “Anatomy of a Genocide: The Life and Death of a Town Called Buczacz”). For more information or to sign up, visit www.familyaffairs.org.

The Breman Museum will hold the Zoom panel discussion “Married to the Rabbi” on Thursday, September 10, at 7-8 pm. The program is pay what you like.” The program explores researching and writing about Jewish experiences from a personal perspective. The two authors featured will be Daniel Mendelsohn (“The Lost: A Search for Six of Six Million”) and Omer Bartov ("Erased" and “Anatomy of a Genocide: The Life and Death of a Town Called Buczacz”). For more information or to sign up, visit www.familyaffairs.org.

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Bar Mitzvah

Monday, September 21, 9 am
Mincha: 9 am
Kol Nidre service: 6:30 pm
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Rabbi Zev Silber will ordain two students on September 21, 9 am. This is the first formal ordination to the rabbinate in the history of the Beth David Synagogue. The event will begin with Friday Night Shabbat services at 6:30 pm and end with a Bar Mitzvah completion ceremony.

Shabbat Services

Shabbat Services will be held outdoors in the parking lot of the synagogue. Services will begin at 6:30 pm and will include Maariv and Hakafot.

High Holiday Services

Monday, September 21, 9 am
Rabbi Shahar Colt will explore core High Holiday traditions, including the tradition of teshuvah – returning to one's core intentions.

Jewish Family Service (JFS)

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High Holiday services at area synagogues

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Sunday, September 12, Selichot
Selichot service – 10:30 pm

Thursday, September 17
Selichot service – 9:30 pm

Friday, September 18, erev Rosh Hashanah
Candle lighting – 6:48 pm
Mincha – 6:50 pm

Saturday, September 19, Rosh Hashanah I
Shacharit – 8:15 am
Mincha – 8:35 pm
Candle lighting – after 7:47 pm

Sunday, September 20, Rosh Hashanah II
Shacharit – 8:15 am
Mincha – 10:15 am
Tashlich at Confluence Park – 6 pm
Mincha – 6:50 pm
Yom tov ends – 7:45 pm

Monday, September 21, Yom Kippur
Selichot Zoom session with Rabbi Shahar Colt – 8 pm
Selichot service – 9 pm
Shacharit – 9:30 am
Mincha – 6:10 pm
Candle lighting, after 6:33 pm
Kol Nidre – 6:35 am

Monday, September 28, Yom Kippur
Shacharit – 9 am
Yizkor – 11:45 am
Mincha – 5:30 pm
Shofar, fast ends – 7:31 pm

Friday, October 2, erev Sukkot
Candle lighting – 6:24 pm
Mincha – 6:25 pm

Saturday, October 3, Sukkot I
Shacharit – 9:30 am
Mincha – 6:10 pm
Candle lighting, after 7:23 pm

Sunday, October 4, Sukkot II
Shacharit – 9:30 am
Mincha – 6:25 pm
Yom tov ends – 7:21 pm

Monday-Thursday, October 5-8, Chol Hamoed Sukkot
Shacharit – 9 am
Mincha – 5:30 pm
Kol Nidre – 6:35 am

Friday, October 9, Hoshana Rabbah, erev Shemini Atzeret
Shacharit – 6:50 am
Mincha – 6:15 pm

Saturday, October 10, Shemini Atzeret/erev Simchat Torah
Shacharit – 9:30 am
Yizkor – 10:30 am
Mincha – 6 pm
Mikra’ei Kodesh/Hakafot – 7 pm
Candle lighting, after 7:11 pm

Sunday, October 11, Simchat Torah
Shacharit – 9:30 am
Hakafot – 10 am
Mincha – 6:10 pm
Yom Tov ends – 7:09 pm

Congregation Tikvun v’Or – Ithaca Reform Temple

Congregation Tikvun v’Or will hold High Holiday services via Zoom, available to all, led by Rabbi Shahar Colt. Contact info@tikvun.org for additional information, registration and links.

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Friday, September 18, erev Rosh Hashanah
Services on Zoom – TBA

Saturday, September 19, Rosh Hashanah
Services on Zoom – TBA

Sunday, September 20
Holidays programs for children – 9:30-10 am and 10:30-11:15 am

Sunday, September 27, erev Yom Kippur
Services on Zoom – TBA

Monday, September 28, Yom Kippur
Services on Zoom – TBA

Norwich Jewish Center

The Norwich Jewish Center will not hold any services this year.

Penn-York Jewish Community

The Penn-York Jewish Community will not host services this year. Members will attend the virtual services offered by Congregation Kol Ami in Elmira, NY. For further information, visit www.kolamielmira.org.

Temple Beth-El, Ithaca

A full listing of Temple Beth-El’s activities may be found at www.templebethelonline.org, for dates and times closer to the holidays.

Temple Beth El, Oneonta

Final plans have not yet been made. Check Temple Beth El’s website, templebethelonline.org, for dates and times closer to the holidays.

Temple Israel

Note: For families with young children, please contact the office to access need/support for child care.

Saturday, September 12, Selichot
TUTC Selichot Zoom service – 8:30 pm

Friday, September 18, erev Rosh Hashanah
Erev Rosh Hashanah services – 7:30 pm

Saturday, September 19, Rosh Hashanah I
Preliminary service (online only) – 8:45-9:30 am
Main Service A (sanctuary/online) – 10:11-11:30 am
Junior Congregation (chapel/online) – 10-11 am
Main Service B (sanctuary/online) – noon-1 pm

Mishu (online only) – 5 pm

Sunday, September 20, Rosh Hashanah II
Preliminary service (online only) – 8:45-9:30 am
Main Service A (sanctuary/online) – 10-11:30 am
Shofar service – 11:15-11:30 am
Junior Congregation(chapel/online) – 10-11:30 am
Break
Main Service B (sanctuary/online) – noon-1 pm
Break
Tashlich (behind Newman House) – 4:15 pm

Sunday, September 27, erev Yom Kippur
Visiting TI Cemetery – 10:30-11:15 am
KoNidre service (sanctuary/online) – 6:30 pm

Monday, September 28, Yom Kippur
Preliminary service (online only) – 8:45-9:30 am
Main Service A (sanctuary/online) – 10-11:30 am
Junior Congregation (chapel/online) – 10:30-11:30 am
Break
Main Service B (sanctuary/online) – noon-1 pm
Mincha (online only) – 5-6 pm
Nielah (sanctuary/online, asks, open) – 6:30-7:30 pm
Break (fast at home only, no food at temple) – 7:31 pm

Wednesday, September 30
Building the Jewish high school – 10 am

Saturday, October 3, Sukkot I
Services (details TBA) – 10:30 am
noon
Sunday, October 4, Sukkot II
Study session – 12:30-1:30 pm

Friday, October 9, Hoshana Rabbah Study session – 10:30-11:30 am

Saturday, October 10, Shemini Atzeret
Services – 10:30-12:30 pm

Yizkor – noon

Erev-Simchat Torah party/service – TBA

Sunday, October 11, Simchat Torah
Study session – 12:30-1:30 pm

NEWS IN BRIEF

Sixth & I to fill seats with celebrities (sort of) for virtual High Holiday services

Members of the historic Sixth & I Synagogue in Washington, DC, will be able to host Jewish celebrities, including U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, during High Holiday services in September – kind of. The synagogue’s virtual High Holiday services will feature its members next to cardboard cutouts of Jewish celebrities – something members can get for contributing $300 to the synagogue’s “I’m a Jew” fund-raiser, which was launched on Aug. 19. Other celebrities include, but are not limited to, CNN news anchor Wolf Blitzer, TV and radio host Andy Cohen and comedian Amy Schumer. Funds raised will go toward the synagogue’s production of virtual Yom Kippur and Rosh Hashanah services.

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2 Golden Pancakes 3 oz each 12 ct. Select Varieties

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Holidays

Either way, we must let our rabbis and leaders know we won’t let them down during this crisis. Our buildings may be empty, but our hearts are full. Our communities and favorite causes need us more now than ever.

Why am I arguing to do more when many of us feel like doing less? Because it’s unexpected, because it’s as radical as the nasya virus trying to shut us down.

And, lest we forget, because being responsible for one another is the Jewish way. Isn’t that how we’ve survived for so long? Isn’t that how we’ve managed to maintain, against all odds, a Torah tradition that goes back thousands of years?

As Rabbi Nicole Guzik of Sinai Temple wrote in her “Bib Torah” recently, for the sake of our community, this is not the time to opt out of our responsibilities.

“In choosing whether to belong to a synagogue or support nonprofit institutions,” she wrote, “many are deciding to take a ‘year off’ and consider rejoining the following year. Jewish professionals across the world are reaching out to colleagues and peers, understanding that if enough people decide to opt out, the Jewish world that once was will never look the same.”

It was a cry from a rabbi’s heart: “The COVID-19 era has devastated the world – stolen lives, impaired people’s health, injured financially, stricken mentally and emotionally. There are many who cannot afford to rejoin our communities, yet these are the members of our faith communities who must hear our support and feel our love.”

Guzik’s piece struck such a nerve, she has expanded it this way people have done before you and failed.”

“You can’t solve problems that have gone unsolved the untraditional approach,” Kushner said in the Oval Office.

“Together we can bring a wonderful future. It is an incomparably exciting moment,” Netanyhu said in a statement. “I have the great privilege to make the third peace treaty between Israel and an Arab country, the U.A.E.”

Bin Zayed confirmed on Twitter that an agreement was reached to “stop further Israeli annexation of Palestinian territories,” and that Israel and the U.A.E. “also agreed to cooperation and setting a roadmap toward establishing a bilateral relationship.”

In an Oval Office announcement, Trump said that the deal would be known as the “Abraham Accord” after the “father of all three great faiths.”

U.S. Ambassador to the UAE and Friedman, who was also in attendance at the Oval Office, said that “no person better symbolizes the potential for unity of these three great faiths.”

“Together, the president, like with all things, urged us to take an unconventional approach,” Kushner said in the Oval Office. “You’ve got to be creative and you’ve got to be bold. You’ve got to get the right people involved.”

U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo touted the “historic diplomatic outreach” by America, Israel and the UAE. See “U.A.E.” on page 11

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“From clogs to backups: three simple DIY plumbing fixes

(StatePoint) – If the idea of doing-it-yourself where plumbing is concerned sounds intimidating, you’re not alone. There are many simple fixes to common plumbing problems that just about anyone can take care of without professional assistance. More importantly, performing these simple maintenance tasks as they are needed can prevent larger problems from occurring.

Not sure where to start? Try these quick plumbing tips from Roto-Rooter and Jeff Devil, a licensed contractor who’s appeared on several TV home improvement shows.

- Hair clogs. If you are accustomed to calling the plumber or snaking the drain when your tub is clogged, consider a simpler solution. Hair clog removers, available at your local hardware store or supercenter, are formulated with specific ingredients that work to dissolve hair and clear a drain on contact. You can also help slow down the forming of new clogs by ensuring all of your drains have strainers to catch hairs and other debris.

- Kitchen clogs. Grease, soap and food can get trapped in kitchen sinks – it happens in every home sooner or later. The easiest way to clear these tough clogs is to use a solu-

tion designed specifically to cut through grease and food waste. Use 16 ounces of solution and about 10 minutes before flushing with water. While a great clog remover can do wonders, you should dispose of larger amounts of grease and food waste. Keep this in mind next time you are deep frying dinner!

- Septic backups. If you have a septic system, know that anything poured down any drain in your home will end up in the tank. So it’s very important to keep that system healthy. A septic system is not unlike the human digestive system – it contains bacteria and enzymes which help to eliminate waste. However, sometimes the good bacteria and enzymes get destroyed by the things that get dumped into drains. Just as you can add a probiotic to your personal digestive system to keep things in balance, in a septic system you can maintain balance by adding a septic treatment to your tank. To avoid costly and messy backups, do this quick task once a month.

‘Performing simple routine maintenance can save you time, money and a headache down the line,’ says Devil.
The quiet race between the Israel Navy and Gaza’s armed terror factions

By Yaakov Lappin

(JNS) — As it conducts its mission to defend southern Israel from armed terror factions active in the Gaza Strip's seven coastal towns, the Israel Navy is also engaged in a quiet arms race with Israel’s adversaries in the Gaza Strip — namely, Hamas and Palestinian Islamic Jihad.

A senior IDF source told JNS about the ongoing activities of the Ashdod Naval Base, which is responsible for a significant portion of the Israeli military’s activities in the area.

"Residents should be aware of the dangers and take the steps needed to protect themselves," said a spokesperson for the IDF.

"We also guard our strategic assets, such as the offshore gas fields, and must ensure that our naval vessels are not compromised by hostile forces," the source added.

The ways in which the Israel Navy conducts its daily operations are not widely publicized. However, according to recent data, the navy has been involved in several significant incidents in recent months.

On the Israeli side, the Navy is developing new combat systems, while activating its force in quickly changing ways as part of its broad mission of finding answers to the range of threats.

One of the changes includes closer-than-ever cooperation between the navy and the various units of the Israel Defense Forces, particularly the Northern Gaza Brigade, which is active on land to protect Israel from the same adversaries, Hamas and Palestinian Islamic Jihad.

This cooperation is a “force multiplier,” said the source. See “Navy” on page 11

Home fire risks increase as weather cools

SNAP! - The fall and winter seasons bring cooler temperatures, holidays and images of cozy nights by the fireplace. Yet the change in seasons also comes with the chance of severe weather and an increase in fire risks.

According to the U.S. Fire Administration, more home fires occur in winter than in any other season.

“Residents can take steps to minimize home fire and safety risks,” said Hirsch. "We need more people to understand the importance of these steps to ensure the safety of their homes and families."

Follow these tips to minimize home fire and safety risks:

Never leave lit candles unattended, and keep them out of reach of children and pets.

Install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each bedroom, and on every level of the home. Test smoke alarms at least once a month.

Install a screen in front of each fireplace or wood stove.

Install carbon monoxide alarms and test them at least once a year.

Install fire extinguishers in the kitchen, garage and living room, and make sure all household members know how to use them.

Develop a home fire escape plan and practice it with the entire family.

Keep portable generators outside and away from the home.

Install a screen in front of each fireplace or wood stove.

Store cooked food in a metal container outside the home.

Have chimneys professionally inspected and cleaned yearly.

Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from fireplaces, radiators, space heaters, or other heat sources.

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Residents can also take an active role in protecting their communities from hazards such as fires, medical emergencies and much more. Fire departments across the country are looking for volunteers to serve as first responders, DVMS providers and auxiliary members. “The majority of firefighters in the U.S. are volunteers — neighbors helping neighbors in an incredible and rewarding way,” said Hirsch. “We need more people to answer the call to serve.”

Training is provided by the department and volunteers can serve in a variety of roles, from providing life-saving emergency response services to conducting fire prevention programs and disaster preparedness planning. Learn more and volunteer a fire service opportunity by going to www.MakeMeAFirefighter.org.
Central to the parasha is a short phrase that encapsulates the importance of people-to-people and people-to-animal interactions. Following the what if scenario during which a neighbor’s ox or sheep has gone astray, we are instructed to allow them to remain with us temporarily. Not only are we not to ignore it, but we must try to retrain the animal. See “Two” on page 11.
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This cooperation has seen naval and ground forces share resources and means while activating a joint command network. Training and inquiries are also held together on a regular basis to create a common language. "Each side has to learn much about the other, about the other side’s network. Training and inquiries are also held together on a regular basis to create a common language. "Each side has to learn much about the other, about the other side’s network. Training and inquiries are also held together on a regular basis to create a common language.

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Federal judge rules weekly anti-Israel protests outside Michigan synagogue protected by First Amendment

Weekly anti-Israel protests outside a Michigan synagogue are protected under the First Amendment, a federal judge ruled on Aug. 24. In a 43-page opinion, U.S. District Judge Victoria Roberts of the Eastern Michigan District Court ruled in favor of the plaintiffs, a group of anti-Israel protesters and members of Jewish social justice organizations, who sued the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton over the city’s existing ordinances; however, Ann Arbor has done nothing to limit the protests.

Herskovitz and his two organizations – Jewish Witnesses for Peace, and Palestinian Friends of the Intifada – won their court battle over Ann Arbor’s ordinance limiting protests outside the city’s synagogue.

According to the plaintiffs, the Jewish Federation of Greater Binghamton has made false statements about the safety of residents and visitors who attend the excluding themselves from the protest.

“The plaintiffs are not an issue of safety; instead, the plaintiffs have been publicly and repeatedly presented as an issue of safety,” wrote Judge Roberts.

While the judge recognized the city’s legitimate concerns about spreading COVID-19 and ensuring public safety, she concluded that the plaintiffs’ First Amendment rights have been violated. The judge ruled the city’s ordinance violated the plaintiffs’ rights to freedom of speech and assembly.

In her ruling, Roberts found the city’s ordinance was not content-neutral and thus violated the plaintiffs’ First Amendment rights. The judge also found the city’s ordinance was not narrowly tailored and thus violated the plaintiffs’ First Amendment rights.

Roberts of the Eastern Michigan District Court in her 11-page order. Every Saturday since 2003, a group of protesters has gathered outside of Beth Israel Congregation and placed in front of the synagogue gates that say “Jewish Power Corrupts,” “Zionism is Racism” and “RESIST Jewish Power,” among other statements. The judge also wrote, “There is no evidence in the record to support the defendants’ claim that the defendants’ conduct causes them to feel threatened.

The judge also noted that the defendants’ conduct is not substantially related to any legitimate public interest.

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