CHJ HIGH HOLIDAYS 2015 RESERVATION

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Rosh Hashanah: 10:30 A.M.
Monday, September 14, 2015
Yom Kippur/Kol Nidre: 7:30 P.M.
Tuesday, September 22, 2015
Yom Kippur Memorial, Closing Services and Break-the Fast: 3:00 P.M.
Wednesday, September 23, 2015

CHJ Summer Beat the Heat Movies & Meals

Our July movie - Saturday, July 11 at Unity: 4:00 P.M. Reservation deadline is July 2.
Our August movie - Saturday, August 8 at Unity: 4:00 P.M. Reservation deadline is July 30

The movies will be shown first, then TooJay’s box dinners will be served, or you may Brown-bag it.
The movies are free. The cost for a TooJay’s meal is $11 per person. Bottled water will be provided by CHJ.
It is very important that you complete the form on page 3 indicating your movie choice(s), dinner choice(s), or call CHJ office if you are Brown-bagging it.

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JULY 11 MOVIE: The Band’s Visit (English subtitles) The Alexandria Ceremonial Police Orchestra arrives in Israel from Egypt. They have been booked by a Petah Tiqva Arab cultural center but due to miscommunication the band takes a bus to Bet Hatikva, a fictional town in the Negev. There is no transportation leaving that day, and there are no hotels. The band dines at a small restaurant where the owner invites them to stay at her apartment, a friends' apartment, and in the restaurant. That night challenges all of the characters.

AUGUST 8 MOVIE: Kinky Boots. Based on a true story, Kinky Boots follows young Brit Charlie Price, who abandons his family’s shoe factory to live with his demanding girlfriend in London. After his father’s unexpected death, Charlie returns to the struggling factory and finds it’s up to him to keep the business alive. Enter Lola, a fabulous drag queen, who gives Charlie the idea to create ladies' shoes for men. Soon, the factory is turning out “kinky boots.” But can this harebrained scheme actually work? And can these two extremely different men find a common ground and become real friends? Winner of six 2013 Tony Awards, including Best Musical, Kinky Boots features the first-ever Broadway score by Grammy winner Cyndi Lauper.

SEE PAGE 3 FOR RESERVATION INSTRUCTIONS
From our President Alice D’Souza

We are all aware that our winter visitors are gone from our community and from the greater Sarasota area. It was a record season this year and it showed in all areas of our lives. It seems we now have come to a dead stop. Schools are out, the Tamiami Trail, 301 and I-75 are empty. We can go to any restaurant and actually get in; we can get into any movie without a long line, we can find parking on the beach. What a difference! So peaceful and quiet. Still, there are those in our Congregation who are missed.

A big thank you to all our Volunteers who have worked so hard over the past year and years, they become invisible as they do their very important work. Name Tags, Welcome Table, Cards and Tributes, Website, Noteworthy Activities, Federation Calendar, Historian, The Connection, Photos, The Humanaires Governance, and Chavurah Groups. These Volunteers are not on the Board, not Chairs of any Committees; but without them our wheels would stop. I know I have not included everyone and for that I apologize. We are totally dependent on all our Volunteers for the success and welfare of CHJ.

We have had big losses with the passing of four members. Longtime member Natalie Lipton, and Leon Franco, husband of Marilyn Franco. Also, Shirley Dembe had moved to California last year to be closer to her family. I spoke to her daughter who said her mom had so enjoyed being a member of CHJ and the friends she had made here. She was part of the cement that had held the Mah Jongg Club together. Sy Golden, husband of Marilyn, will be missed for his total involvement and commitment to our Congregation. He was loved and respected by all who knew him, and he never met a stranger. I remember him talking to me just before my shoulder replacement that I was very nervous about. He made a point of seeking me out, telling me about his shoulder replacement, and assuring me the surgery was the best thing he could have done. He demonstrated how he could now move his arm and told me I would be fine. He was so comforting, and it helped. They will all be missed. I must also mention the untimely death of Corey Firnstahl, our main contact with Unity for all our needs. He was good to us, was always there to help us and we never had conflict. In all the years we have been at Unity we have only dealt with Corey. He is missed, but we will be seeing changes that should be seamless.

We on the Board are looking forward to an exciting New Year. All are working hard setting up speakers for Programs and Services, getting new ideas for Education and looking forward to the Summer Movies. The movies will be July 11 and August 8. Don’t forget to make your reservations; we’re looking forward to seeing everyone. Never forget you are a part of the process and we welcome any and all ideas for improvement.

Shalom and Namaste......Alice

May Board Action: none

June Board Action

- Approved Susan Friedman be appointed as the CHJ Rakefet Specialist
- Approved “effective immediately, the CHJ publication, The Connection shall no longer accept advertising, whether paid or unpaid from any source, organization, CHJ member or nonmember.”
- Approved Robert Lischetti’s term as The Humanaires’ conductor be extended to the end of April for the next 2 years

As I hurtled through space, one thought kept crossing my mind - every part of this rocket was supplied by the lowest bidder. John Glenn.

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Board of Directors

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The Board meets at 3:30 P.M. on the second Monday of every month at the Roskamp Center for Arts and Humanities, 1226 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota. All CHJ members are welcome.

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Board Appointed Designee to SHJ: 
Ellie Altman 847-530-2104
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The choices for dinner boxes from TooJays are:

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(Sandwiches come with potato chips and black and white cookie)

(Wraps come with fruit salad and black and white cookie)

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Members and non-members, please return this form with your check ($11.00 per person) to CHJ, 3023 Proctor Rd., Sarasota, FL 34231, or Brown-baggers may make reservations by calling the CHJ office at 929-7771 and leave name telephone number and choice of movie(s).

THE BAND  KINKY BOOTS (Circle one or both, and send your check for the total.)

Name #1_________________________________________________________ Brown-bag ( ) or Dinner Choice:_______________________________

Name #2_________________________________________________________ Brown-bag ( ) or Dinner Choice:_______________________________

Total amount enclosed________________________ Phone #_________________

The movies are free and open to the public.

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EDUCATION PROGRAM: Listening with Dave

What Do Seinfeld and Brahms Have in Common?
An Examination of Brahms’s 4th Symphony.

Were Tchaikovsky and others wrong in their assessment of Brahms’s music? What is a symphony? What does it look like on the page? Couldn’t Brahms have come up with a better melody? How do I move from “appreciation” to love? These are all questions that will be discussed on Tuesday, July 28. The session will be held at Dave Berman’s home. We will start promptly at 4:00 and end at 5:30, after which, those who so wish will go out together for dinner. Space will be limited to the first 20 people to sign up. Should there be significantly more people wishing to participate, a 2nd session will be arranged for the near future.

RESERVATIONS: E-mail Dave Berman at daveberm@msn.com or mail this form to Dave Berman, 7409 Links Ct., Sarasota, FL 34243.

We (I) will be attending the Listening with Dave session on July 28:

Name(s)_________________________________________________________

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Alice was raised in Chicago, completed her B.S. and M.S. at the University of Illinois but, to do that, she ran all over the city to make sure she got all the science classes that she wanted. Talk about determination!

At the tender age of 17, Alice had the good fortune to meet the woman in charge of all the labs at Illinois Masonic Hospital. She convinced Alice to come and watch the work being done at the hematology and chemistry labs. That did it. Alice filled out the forms so she could train in all the labs and become certified. She specialized in the blood bank.

And, after all that, she upped and joined the Peace Corps and went to south India. She lived and worked in five villages teaching health, sanitation and family planning for the next three years. It was there that she met and married her husband. They came back to Chicago to live, and raise a son and daughter. They were married for 28 years before his untimely death.

"Not only did I marry him," she says, "but I married his whole family and we remain very, very close. I still go back to visit them."

Upon their return from India, she completed her Masters in Special Education and went to work for the Chicago School System - another job she loved. She resigned after 20 years of teaching and, then went to work at United Airlines.

Never big on any religion, Alice loves CHJ and the concept of Humanistic Judaism. "I met Rabbi Sherwin Wine on two occasions and loved him. His thought process was unique and yet, he was able to embrace all people with his ideas."

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STEVE'S HOUSE

Betty and Stan Pellettz and their family made a recent gift of a transitional home for a homeless family. The Pellettz family searched for a way to help homeless people. So they purchased a 4-bedroom house, and they all worked together to renovate it and offered it to "Family Promise" of Sarasota.

The home was named "Steve's House" in memory of their son Steve, who died in 2013. Now a mother, her three young sons, and a grandmother live comfortably in the house. A plaque commemorating the house naming reads, "May those who are sheltered in Steve's House find warmth, compassion, and shelter from the storm." What a true mitzvah! *Marilyn Golden*

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A tribute is a wonderful way to recognize any occasion and benefit CHJ. Fill out this coupon and send your check for $10 or more made out to CHJ.

Please circle the fund in which your donation should be placed:

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Person/s to be recognized

Occasion

Donor

A lovely card will be sent to the honoree and a notice will be placed in the next newsletter. Checks should be made out to CHJ noting the specific funds to which they are donated. Send all tributes to the Congregation for Humanistic Judaism, 3023 Proctor Rd., Sarasota, FL 34231.
CONGREGATION FOR HUMANISTIC JUDAISM
HIGH HOLIDAYS 2015 RESERVATION

Rosh Hashanah: 10:30 AM Monday, September 14, 2015
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3:00 PM Wednesday, September 23, 2015

All Services will be at Unity, on the North side of Proctor Rd. between US-41 and Beneva Rd

No tickets will be sent. A reservation list will be kept at the door.

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RESERVATION COUPON

Members attend free. Members without guests can e-mail their reservation but must indicate names, services they will be attending & if they plan to bring Kugel on September 23.
E-mail: chjsarasota@hotmail.com

A $25 charge for each adult family member guest covers all services.
Children under 18, College Students and Members of the Armed Services are free.

Non-Members and Members with guests must send in this coupon!!
Please send coupon and check payable to CHJ no later than September 4, 2015 and mail (no e-mail) to:
CHJ, 3023 Proctor Rd., Sarasota, FL 34231.

Name/s: ____________________________________________________________________
Phone: _____________________________________________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________________________________

Please indicate which services you will attend and the number of people attending.
(We need to know which services you will attend so we can adequately prepare for seating and meals.)
Rosh Hashanah Service and Lunch:    #_______
Yom Kippur Kol Nidre:                           #_______
Memorial Service and Break-the-Fast: #_______ I will make & bring Kugel _____ type_____ 

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NON-MEMBERS INFORMATION

$100 per person flat fee to attend any or all services
Number Attending   Cost
________   $______

Please indicate in coupon above which services you will attend. Total Enclosed $______

Non-members with questions, please call CHJ Office at 929-7771
**Non-members who join within 60 days will receive a reduction in dues for 2015-16 fiscal year equal to the cost of their reservations.**

Make checks payable to CHJ and mail with coupon no later than September 4, 2015 to:
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YOM KIPPUR MEMORIAL BOOKLET

CHJ Members: Please indicate below names of loved ones - not already in our Yahrzeit data base - whom you would like to have listed. Print clearly! See article at bottom of page 6 for all details.
Return no later than September 4, 2015 to: CHJ, 3023 Proctor Road, Sarasota, FL 34231.

Names will be listed whether or not you are present at the service. There is no charge.
### July Yahrzeit

- **William Appenzeller**, father of Ernie Kent  
  Adrienne & Howard Feltman  
- **Robert Bernstein**, loved one of  
  Adrienne & Howard Feltman  
- **Ruth Brown**, mother of Stephen Brown  
- **Bailey Cadman**, husband of Sandy Cadman  
- **Lorraine Cohen**, sister of Norman Freeman  
- **Alvin Feltman**, loved one of  
  Adrienne & Howard Feltman  
- **Herbert Freed**, brother of Pauline Kabcenell  
- **Irving Freeman**, father of Norman Freeman  
- **Bernard Horowitz**, brother of Irv Horowitz  
- **Hannah Kaplan**, mother of Carole Ulin  
- **Alice Levine**, mother of Edith Sack  
- **Morris Machlis**, father of Myrna Block  
- **Russell Miller**, father of Linda Vendeland  
- **Sylvia Anne Moses**, mother of  
  Marilyn Oslander  
- **Bernie Peters**, father of Lynne Robbins  
- **Sasha Rafalovich**, son of  
  Susanna & Alexander Rafalovich  
- **Arnold Rosen**, husband Sydell Rosen  
- **Corrine Saltzman**, cousin of  
  Marshall Friedman  
- **Arnold Schwartz**, father of Lisa Kramer-Torop  
- **Leroy Seftel**, husband Patricia Seftel  
- **Jack Segal**, father of Erwin Segal  
- **Mary Segal**, mother of Erwin Segal  
- **Mollye Shapiro**, mother of Judith Black  
- **Paulyne Shapiro**, mother of Gerald Shapiro  
- **Stuart Wallace**, brother of Lois Friedman  
- **Henry Weiskopf**, loved one of Stanford Weiss  

### August Yahrzeit

- **Louis Baker**, husband of Edie Zolondek  
- **Dr. Charles Berney**, father of Janet Sheff  
- **Bertha Bernstein**, loved one of  
  Adrienne & Howard Feltman  
- **Douglas Cadman**, stepson of Sandy Cadman  
- **Noah Cohen**, nephew of Susan Boston  
- **Ruth Devorsetz**, loved one of Amy Eliezer  
- **Kaethe Eckstein**, mother of Susan Friedman  
- **Mika Elion**, granddaughter of Bina Nadler  
- **Lilyan Farber**, wife of Bernard Farber  
- **Miriam Finell**, mother of Iris Hinden  
- **Philip Finell**, father of Iris Hinden  
- **Bessie Freed**, mother of Pauline Kabcenell  
- **Joseph Freed**, brother of Pauline Kabcenell  
- **Jamie Freeman**, nephew of Norman Freeman  
- **Rose Freeman**, mother of Norman Freeman  
- **Louis Hirsch**, loved one of  
  Rona and Stephen Loewenthal  
- **Leah Hollander**, mother of Marty Hollander  
- **Benjamin Laub**, father-in-law of Jerry Levinson  
- **Harry Levine**, father of Edith Sack  
- **Lisa Loewenthal**, daughter of  
  Rona & Stephen Loewenthal  
- **Jeanette London**, mother-in-law of Stanford Weiss  
- **Maurice London**, father-in-law of Stanford Weiss  
- **Esther Mervine**, aunt of Mark Rickman  
- **Anna Rickman**, mother of Mark Rickman  
- **Ira Spiegelman**, brother of Barbara Relles  
- **Jerry Stein**, partner of Lynne Robbins  
- **Herman Van Der Ryn**, father of Frederika Jacobson  
- **Nathan Weinraub**, loved one of  
  Judith & Donald Black  
- **Morton L Weiss**, brother of Stanford Weiss  

### NEW MEMBER

- **Alfred Koral**  
  1508 Pelican Cove Rd. # GR-134  
  Sarasota, FL 34231  
  Phone: 918-8171  
  E-mail: ALKORJAM@aol.com  

### Saying Proven Wrong:

“No, it will make war impossible.” Hiram Maxim, inventor of the machine gun, in response to the question, “Will this gun not make war more terrible?” Havelock Ellis, scientist, 1893.
**LIFE CYCLES**

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**Letter to the Editor: Birthdays & Anniversaries**

Marcy Moore, Sue Boston, Ellie Altman, and I had the most amazing joint birthday lunch—in that we all shared with each other, got to know each other better, and feel closer to each other.

….Upcoming birthdays and anniversaries are listed in *The Connection*. The four of us got together for our birthdays, which took place about the same time, and found it very meaningful. Perhaps other CHJers might want to use that section of each newsletter to arrange to similarly celebrate birthdays and anniversaries occurring at the same time together. *Sonia Fuentes*

**SHJ CONDEMNS AME CHURCH SHOOTING**

The Society for Humanistic Judaism shares in the horror and sorrow of the recent shooting in Charleston, SC. The Society offers its condolences to the entire AME Church Community who suffered as a result of the massacre on June 18, 2015. We join other Humanist organizations in offering an opportunity to help financially through this initiative: [https://life.indiegogo.com/fundraisers/ame-church-shooting-victims-fund](https://life.indiegogo.com/fundraisers/ame-church-shooting-victims-fund). Farmington Hills, MI, June 22, 2015.

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Humanistic Judaism embraces a human-centered philosophy that combines rational thinking with a celebration of Jewish culture and identity. It affirms that human beings possess the power and responsibility to shape their own lives, and that ethics and morality are not divine in origin but are human responsibilities. Our mission is to meet the needs of humanist, secular Jews as well as their non-Jewish family members/partners and friends in the greater Sarasota and Manatee area.
Annual Meeting
SPECIAL & SOCIAL GROUPS

HUMANAIRES  After a welcome few months respite, the chorus will resume rehearsals with conductor Robert Lischetti in the Unity Sanctuary at 2:30 P.M. on Wednesday, August 19, 2015. If you love to sing and especially if you are in this area for most of the year, this is the group for you! It is a perfect time to join with us as we prepare our music for the High Holidays when we will sing at all three of the services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. There is no audition. Come and bring your enthusiasm as well as a commitment to meet every Wednesday (as many as possible, that is) from mid-August to the end of April. Please check us out. We are a warm and welcoming group and we'll be delighted to see you.

If you don't sing but would like to be part of the gift of song the chorus brings to our Congregation, please consider becoming a Humanaires Associate. We're seriously in need of more associates who are able to help in the A/V booth projecting lyrics on the screen for the benefit of those assembled at our services, plus associates to do other tasks related to the chorus. For further information about being a singer or an associate with The Humanaires, please contact Sandy Cadman at 379-9894 or s.g.Cadman@hotmail.com.

JEWISH HISTORY SEMINAR  IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO LEARN: Despite being the most persecuted and vilified people in history, the Jews created the moral and intellectual foundations for three of the world’s major religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam. These are the kinds of issues we discuss at the CHJ History Seminar. Our next meeting is Wednesday, July 8, from 1:00 to 2:30 P.M., at Unity Classroom B. You are welcome to join us. For information call Stan Katz at 342-0095.

BIKERS The group rides monthly, usually on a Saturday morning. We ride about 1-1/2 hours and try to choose new scenic routes. The group will resume in the fall. Contact Sandy Siegel at 927-4645 or sandrasiegel3600@gmail.com.

The May ride – a fun trip was had by all. Left-to-right: Steve Brown, Bernie Gerbarg, Naomi Gerbarg, Carol Heckert, Ken Heckert, Sandy Siegel, Marty Hollander, Craig Harris.

SUNSETTERS  Ours is always an open group that can accommodate an infinite number of people. We meet on the 3rd Sunday every month on Lido Beach – in front of the pavilion. Our only agenda is the sunset. It is very informal and casual. We arrive about 1-1/2 hours prior to sunset. Bring your own picnic dinner (something you can grasp, like a sandwich, because the seagulls are hungry.) Bring chairs, of course. If you'd like to join us, contact Barbara Shapiro at ms.shappy@verizon.net or 365-3756.

In May, Barb Shapiro's “weather app” threatened rain (it was proven right), so what else was there to do but EAT! Here we are! We Sunsetters are very good at eating...

DIGITAL IMAGING GROUP (DIG)  We meet at 1:30 P.M. on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at The Fountains Cinema, Parking Lot #4. An assignment is made and members e-mail their required pictures, along with the best picture taken during the past 30 days. Photos are projected onto a large screen and editing software is applied to demonstrate possible enhancements. In addition, tutorials are presented with some guidance for the next month's assignment. Camera functions and general photography tips are addressed. New Members are welcome. For further information contact Jules Altenberg at jules@altenberg.com.
To Honor and Remember Sy Golden,  by Fagie Perlmutter

Because Sy was such a special person, I felt moved, saddened, impelled to write a few words in tribute to him. Although my relationship with Sy was relatively new and relatively brief, his impact on my thoughts and feelings far outweighed those limitations.

I originally met Sy in what I then foolishly perceived as the limited role of accompanying husband, since Marilyn and I were altos in The Humanaires. Further, the Goldens were enthusiasts of Yiddish folk music and hosted some wonderful sings at their home. But only in the past two years did I relate to Sy himself, to learn that he was certainly much more than an accompanying husband.

First, Sy organized a panel to discuss the Pew Report on the status of American Jewry and invited me to serve on the panel. His leadership, his clarity and insights were clear from the start as he steered us through the complex process of analysis, engagement, disagreement, and resolution. And, thanks to his quiet leadership, the product was a stimulating one.

Second, Sy served on the Ritual Committee. Sy and Marilyn coauthored two services which were praised and appreciated by the Congregation: Jewish History on February 7 and Yom Hashoah Memorial on April 11, 2015. Again, this was a complex process, full of controversial and oft opposing viewpoints. And, again, it was Sy, in his quiet, respectful manner, who was most effective in his role of helping us do our work.

I never knew of the important roles Sy played on a national level. His work was done out of conviction and commitment, and not in need of public acclaim or recognition. My point here is to highlight his involvement in Jewish issues at a national level, and not to address his professional accomplishments.

The following is a quote from the obituary in the Herald Tribune:

“Sy was a man of impeccable integrity, social conscience, high intelligence and a genuine caring for people. He held a strong commitment to improving the world around him in any way he could. He was active in several organizations, which embodied his dedication for and love of Jewish culture, language and humanistic values. These organizations included Ameinu, American Jewish Congress, North Suburban Yiddish School in which he was a founding member, Congregation of Humanistic Judaism....”

His 60-year marriage to Marilyn is unique, a love affair that spanned many more than those 60 years. And, Marilyn was an active partner in Sy’s work and world. As reported by Marilyn Oslander in the September 2014 issue of The Connection, Sy said:

“have found a home in CHJ, with its common ethos. Being part of the Jewish community, our culture is very important to me. The Jewish views of life including its literature, music and poetry all come from the heart! These views may have come from an originally religiously enforced code of conduct, but its teachings are valid and need to be passed on to the next generation and the rest of the world!”

Shirley E. Dembe

Shirley E. Dembe, former CHJ member, beloved wife of the late Harold “Hal” Dembe, died on April 24, 2015. Shirley was an accomplished calligrapher, who studied at the Cleveland Institute of Art, and taught calligraphy classes at Cuyahoga Community College and other adult education centers. She is remembered for giving everybody she met a calligraphy bookmark of their name, which, she said, foretold good luck.

She and her husband traveled extensively. She was honored by being asked to speak at a governor's conference in Columbus on living a wellness lifestyle. Shirley was full of energy, humor, and had a wry wit.

She is survived by Cheryl Dembe and Allard (Michelle) Dembe; grandchildren Sabrina and David Brunner, Hana and Arielle Dembe, Leah (Rabbi Jon) Savage and Daniel (Valerie) Lebowitz, great grandchildren Dahlia and Yehuda.

Many, many thanks to my CHJ family for all your support, tributes, cards and kind wishes on the passing of my dear husband, Sy. Marilyn Golden.
TRIBUTES

BERMAN MUSIC FUND

"In memory of Leon Franco - beloved husband of Marilyn Franco," from Marilyn and Sy Golden

"For Stan Katz - on the 1st anniversary of Jewish History Study Group. Thanks for all your hard work in making it flourish. (And the Jewish History Widow too!)," from Marilyn Oslander and group

"To Irv and Sim Lesser - our thoughts are with you in these difficult times," from Alice and Dave Berman

For Irv Lesser - we're sorry that you've been having serious health issues. Hope you feel better soon! Love, Murray and Hannah Friedman"

"In memory of our dear friend, Natalie Lipton, who passed away this last month after a lifetime of love and giving.....a true friend," from Alice and Dave Berman

"Marilyn, who couldn't love Sy? His life defined the meaning of the saying 'Er iz geven ah mench.' Be Strong!" From Alice and Dave Berman

"For Marilyn Golden - in memory of her dear husband, Sy, " from Sheila Rosenthal and Phil Silverstein

"In memory of Sy Golden, who was always ready to help," from Sandy Cadman and Mel Kalfon

GENERAL FUND

"In memory of Sy Golden; with deepest sympathy," from Susan and Marty Friedman

"In memory of a dear man - Sy Golden," from Lois Altman

"In memory of Simon Golden," from Carole and Walt Ulin

EDUCATION FUND

"For Andre and Myrna Block - in honor of their 55th Anniversary - with love and admiration," from Susan Grossman and Matthew Lasky

"In memory of Sy Golden," from Alice D'Souza

We Will Remember Them

Natalie Lipton

Natalie Lipton, who with her husband, Marty, were two of the earliest members of CHJ. Natalie died peacefully at home on April 27, with her family present. She was 91 years old.

Natalie, born in Toronto, and married to Martin Lipton for over 60 years, was dedicated to her family, and lived her life with strength and determination, never losing her sense of humor.

Being the delightfully stubborn woman she was, she overcame several bouts of cancer. In honor of Natalie, donations can be made to The American Cancer Society. She is loved, respected, and will be missed by her 3 children, 2 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren, family and friends. You are the heart of our family, and we love that you are who you are.

Napoleon (Leon) Franco, M.D.

Napoleon (Leon) Franco, M.D., husband of member Marilyn Franco, passed away peacefully, after a long illness, on April 17, 2015. He had a career as Chief of Psychiatry at Pontiac State Hospital, and later a successful private practice. He retired in 2000 after which the Francos divided their time between Florida and Michigan. He enjoyed sailing, photography, dancing and singing.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Alzheimers Association or a charity of choice. We extend our warmest condolences to Marilyn and the family.
CHJ Calendar July 2015—May 2016

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DIRECTORY CHANGES

Craig and Carol Harris have a new address: 8064 Estates Dr. Sarasota, FL 34243

Sandy Siegel has a new e-mail address: sandrasiegel3600@gmail.com

Sonia Fuentes’ compelling article about becoming a vegan - *What I Did for Life* - appeared on May 22, 2015 on the website of the Center for Nutrition Studies. To read the complete account, go to [http://nutritionstudies.org/what-i-did-for-life/](http://nutritionstudies.org/what-i-did-for-life/).

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