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Against All Odds

By Susan C. Nieman

The Hebrew Watchman went to print as usual the evening of Monday, July 24 to be printed early in the morning of July 25 and shipped to your homes as usual. So, by the time you get this paper, you will have happily received that issue dated July 28.

That evening at 7, I received a call that made my stomach turn. The printer, which has been doing an incredible job for us these past 12-plus months shut down their presses indefinitely. I don't

know if my heart stopped or was racing. I couldn't breathe.

In the last almost-97-years, never has the paper missed a week.

I immediately got on the phone, email and texted every printer I had worked with during my more-than-45-years in volunteering and professional career.

Joe Grape at Spark Printing was ready to jump into high gear to get us something resembling the paper you are all accustomed to reading. He researched printers around the city trying to help us find an open spot on a press. There was none.

We've all heard that the printing industry is struggling. This is solid proof that although there is still a demand, the sources are slowly dissolving.

Then I remembered, the St. Louis Jewish Light is printed weekly and is about the same size as ours. Larry reached out to a contact there who gave us the contact information of their printer.

Tim Stevens of KK Stevens Publishing, a 63-year-old family-run press, came to the rescue in a heartbeat.

He said he would be willing to drive the papers to Memphis himself if it meant saving our paper.

So here we are. The paper should look the same, we have a professional who really cared about saving the beloved The Hebrew Watchman. And hopefully you are sitting in your favorite spot reading the August 4, 2022, edition and had no clue that I got no sleep on the night July 24, 2022. A date I will always remember. HW

Kayla Klazmer – A Star On and Off the Court



Kayla Klazmer, one of Memphis Jewish Federation's younger Annual Community Campaign donors, enjoys being an active member of the Memphis Jewish community.

Among the younger donors to Memphis Jewish Federation's Annual Community Campaign, 23-year-old Kayla Klazmer was born and raised in Jewish Memphis, and as a fifth-generation

grade and Solomon Schecter in 4th and 5th grade. Kayla remembers giving tzedakah at Baron Hirsch, as well as formative experiences from her high school days attending Margolin Hebrew Academy and Six Points Sports Academy, an athletics summer camp for Jewish youth. Kayla has also enjoyed attending the Memphis Jewish Community Center from a young age.

"The Memphis Jewish Community Center (MJCC) is so special to me," Kayla said. "My parents gave me one of the greatest gifts by being members. I went to preschool there, and my niece and nephew are now both going as well. It is so cool to see how generational it is. I am also super active, so it is a second home to me not only by being in the gym but there is a huge community feeling that makes it feel like home.

"As a family, we would always do things to give back," Kayla continued. "It wasn't always necessarily to Jewish organizations, but often was. My parents have donated to the MJCC, and I always love seeing our name on the Jewish star on the way to the gym. They also have a Jewish Foundation of Memphis Donor Advised Fund, which they use for philanthropy, and they make an annual gift to Memphis Jewish Federation. Recently, they made a gift to endow the Wendy & Avron B. Fogelman Jewish Family Service at the MJCC. I think it's important for Jewish people to do good things, like being charitable, because giving back is an important opportunity to make the world a better place."

For her bat mitzvah project, she led a drive to collect shoes for underprivileged aspiring tennis players, a sport that is one of her main passions. This early act of giving back inspired her, and now as a young adult Kayla finds time to pursue beneficial activities that build upon her Jewish foundation, citing her father and brother, Martin, as inspiration for her philanthropy.

"They have both served on the Federation board, and my dad has always been generous with his time and money, which I have always respected him for. I'm definitely taking after him in that way, through my own donations to Federation's Annual Campaign," Kayla noted. "Helping others has always been something that means a lot to my family because it is always important to support our community.

"I hope that my philanthropy hopefully makes an impact on at least one person, and also inspires my friends or people that I'm around to do the same thing," said Kayla. Kayla attended college at the University of Tampa and played on the school's collegiate tennis team before transferring to play tennis for the University of Memphis. While at the University

of Memphis, Kayla became even more active in our local Jewish community, through participation in Hillels of Memphis programs like the Jewish Learning Fellowship and serving in Hillel leadership.

"I thought that the Jewish Learning Fellowship was a super cool experience," remarked Kayla. "There were tons of different students from every background of Judaism, whether they were not religious, relatively religious, or very religious. It was interesting just connecting and getting to know people on a deeper level that we don't usually talk about during day-to-day life as a student, and I really enjoyed learning about topics which connect us all together."

Kayla would often attend Shabbat dinners and holidays at Hillel during her years at the University of Memphis. Due to her passion and participation in these events, she was considered by Sophie Bloch, the director of Hillels in Memphis, to be an excellent social connector who often brought in and welcomed new Jewish students to Hillel. Hillels of Memphis is a program of Memphis Jewish Federation. In the winter of 2020, Kayla graduated from the University of Memphis with a major in Sport Management and

Memphian, her family ties to the community are deeply rooted.

Kayla's parents, Barbara and Scott Klazmer, encouraged her from a young age to embrace her religion and culture, and to be an active member of her community. As a child, she attended Margolin Hebrew Academy from 1st-3rd

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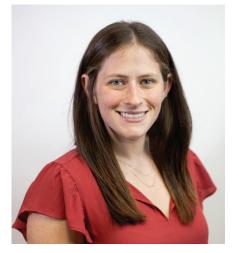
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Mrs. Samuels focuses her legal practice in the areas of family law, civil litigation, and estate planning.

"We are pleased that Hillary has joined Harkavy Shainberg Kapalan," said Michael Kaplan, Managing Member of the firm. "Hillary is smart and hardworking and she brings valuable experience in family law and estate planning matters to our firm."

A native Memphian, Mrs. Samuels received her undergraduate degree from Boston University and her law degree from DePaul University College of

Klazmer..

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a minor in Marketing. She found work for the Memphis Grizzlies, where she is currently employed as an Account Executive. With the Grizzlies, Kayla also donates her time to participate with camps for children.

"We do camps with kids who are less fortunate, bring them into the stadium, let them play around, and give them the opportunity to have meaningful experiences," she said. "I help facilitate the children's activities. Also, there was recently a garage sale that the Grizzlies put on that Law in Chicago where she received the CALI Excellence for the Future Award for Trial Advocacy, an honor given to the highest-scoring student in each law school class.

Prior to joining Harkavy Shainberg Kaplan, Mrs. Samuels was an associate attorney with the Memphis law firm of Moskovitz, McGhee, Brown, Cohen & Moore. She also served as an assistant Shelby County public defender.

She serves on the Lausanne Collegiate School Alumni Board, is an Ambaasador with Facing History and Ourselves, and is a member of the Memphis Jewish Community Center's Young Adult Committee.

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I helped with profits going to St. Jude."

Along with working full-time, Kayla also finds time to occasionally coach tennis at the Memphis Jewish Community Center and coach private lessons. For the past two years, she has also donated to the MHA Auction by offering a package of tennis lessons. Through her participation in helping others across the board, it becomes easy to see that she is an excellent example of a young person stepping up for the community that helped raise her. HW

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New Women's Support Group at FJFS

Wendy and Avron B. Fogelman Jewish Family Services at the J announced a new support group, Women's Wellness Wednesdays. Support groups offer a means for individuals to share their experience, strength and hope with each other in a supportive environment.

Through this group, women can find support, while taking a break from the hustle and bustle of their daily lives. By joining the Women's Wellness Wednesdays support group, attendees will have the opportunity to share life's stressors and challenges, while finding new ways to cope. This group is facilitated by Judy Bookman, MA, LCSW.

"I love working with groups," said Judy. "It's wonderful to see individuals come together to discuss their different issues and to discover that others understand and often have dealt with similar situations. When members support each other and recognize their resilience, everyone benefits."

The group will meet each Wednesday, July 20 – August 10 at 6:30 p.m. at Fogelman JFS. Registration is required and open to all women. For more information, visit jccmemphis.org. **HW**

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Bornblum Jewish Community School Announces New Board of Directors

Bornblum Jewish Community School is pleased to announce the Board of Directors for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year.

This year's officers include: Janice Ringel, President; Jeri Moskovitz, Vice President; Scott Notowich, Treasurer; Patti Weiss, Secretary; Adam Lazarov, Counsel; and Jill Shanker, Immediate Past President.

Newly elected members of the Board of Directors are Scott Felsenthal and Jana Weiskopf. Board members continuing their existing terms are Abraham Bendayan, Monte Eiseman, Amy Egerman, Rhonda Feiler, Howard Knopf, Jaclyn Marshall, Judy Moss, Anne Reef and Ryan Saharovich.

The Board of Directors is responsible for oversight of the school, including financial stewardship, creation of policy, supervision of the Head of School and fundraising.

At the school's annual meeting, which was held on May 22, 2022, Jill Shanker thanked outgoing board member and past president, Marc Sorin, "for his incredible service and leadership to the school. Marc was instrumental in drafting the strategic plan, revising our bylaws, and leading the school during the early days of COVID," she said.

In her remarks, Ringel paid tribute to Shanker for her tireless service as Board President these past two years.

"Jill jumped right in from day one to

help navigate the school through unchartered waters," she said. "She led with patience, integrity and boundless energy."

Ringel also recognized Head of School Daniel R. Weiss, Ed.D. for successfully guiding Bornblum through the COVID pandemic.

"Not only did he demonstrate flexibility and adaptability as things were thrown at him from every direction, but he spent countless hours with the staff to ensure that the school would not only survive, but it would actually thrive," she said.

Ringel has been involved with Bornblum since the late 1990s and has witnessed the progress that has taken place over the years.

During her installation address, she spoke of the critical role that teachers play in our society and the importance of educating our children to become tomorrow's leaders.

"We have accomplished so much as a school, however, there's still plenty of work that remains," she said. "We have dedicated and engaged board members who are committed to helping the school grow and reach new heights."

Ringel looks forward to a fruitful year with fresh energy on the board.

Bornblum Jewish Community School begins the 2022-2023 school year with 115 students in grades kindergarten through 8th grade on August 15, 2022. **HW**

Israel Aerospace Industries to Provide Special Mission Aircraft to NATO Country

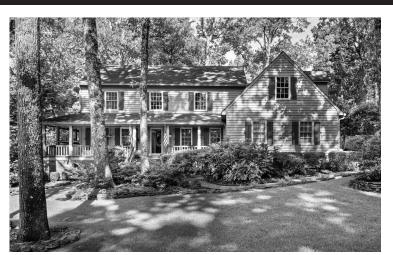
(JNS) – Israel Aerospace Industries announced in recent days that it signed a contract valued at more than \$200 million to provide special mission aircraft to a country in Europe.

The aircraft, destined for a European NATO member, will be developed by IAI subsidiary Elta Systems, which also manufacturers a range of radars, intelligence-gathering technology and other systems.

According to a statement by IAI, the company's special mission aircraft "are active in Israel and in many countries around the world and provide an important strategic edge."

The company's breakthrough in the field of special mission aircraft is made possible due to miniaturized sensor technologies, as well as developing algorithms and software applications based on artificial intelligence, leading to "highly advanced intelligence systems integrated on business jets," said the company. "Prior to this, most special mission aircraft utilized large cargo or commercial aircraft." IAI vice president and Elta CEO Yoav Tourgeman said "the special mission aircraft developed by IAI-ELTA provide our customers with a significant advantage and constitute a strategic asset. We are thrilled to win this contract to provide a NATO member country with our advanced technologies." He added that "our ongoing commitment to providing cutting-edge technologies to our customers - with advanced detection and classification capabilities - will enable success even in the most complicated missions." HW

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Auburn University Men's Basketball Team to Embark on a 'Birthright For College Basketball' Israel Trip



Bruce Pearl celebrates with his team after defeating the Alabama Crimson Tide at Auburn Arena, Feb. 1, 2022. Credit: Michael Chang/Getty Images By Jacob Gurvis

(JTA- July 26, 2022) – The Auburn University men's basketball team will travel to Israel this weekend for a 10day Birthright-style trip, likely the first of its kind for a full Division I college or professional team.

Coined "Birthright for College Basketball," the trip will feature some of Israel's most famous historical and tourist sites – from the Western Wall and the Dead Sea to the Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial museum – plus three exhibition games against teams of players from the top echelon of Israeli basketball. The Tigers, who won the Southeastern Conference (SEC) championship last season, will play Israel's Under 20 National Team on Aug. 2 in Jerusalem, Israel's All-Star Select Team in Tel Aviv on Aug. 7 and Israel's National Team on Aug. 8 in Tel Aviv.

The team will also host a basketball clinic for Israeli and Palestinian children with former Jewish player Tamir Goodman, who was known for wearing a kippah during DI games and played professionally in Israel. While visiting Bethlehem, the Tigers will have lunch with the coach of the Palestinian National Team.

"We want, if at all possible, that to be normal – a Jewish basketball coach from Auburn taking his team over to Israel, having lunch with the Palestinian national basketball coach," said Auburn's Jewish coach Bruce Pearl during a pretrip Zoom call with reporters on Monday. "I don't know how it's gonna work out, but I hope it's just wonderful, and normal, and something that people can look at and go 'okay, this is possible.""

In addition to stops at Judaism's holy sites, the trip will include visits to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher and other important places in Christianity, including the Jordan River, where Pearl said his players will have the opportunity to be baptized where John baptized Jesus in the New Testament.

"Obviously, we know that Jerusalem and Israel was the birthplace of almost all the world's religions," said Pearl. "It's an opportunity for them to open up their hearts, open their minds, and see if they can feel and hear something special that's going to be a part of them forever."

The Auburn team will be accompa-

nied by ESPN college basketball analyst Jay Bilas and ESPN play-by-play announcer Roxy Bernstein, who is Jewish. The pair will call the games live on the SEC Network.

"We couldn't be more honored to be able to go with Auburn and Bruce Pearl and his staff, for this once-in-a-lifetime trip," Bilas said. "We're thrilled, beyond words."

Bernstein, who first visited Israel with his family four years ago, agreed.

"I think the educational aspect of this is going to be off the charts for them, considering some of the places that they're going to see and experiences they're going to have," he added.

Pearl is one of the more outspokenly Jewish and pro-Israel coaches in college sports. He co-founded the Jewish Coaches Association, which hosts an annual breakfast for Jewish NCAA basketball coaches at March Madness. He considers coaching in the 2009 Maccabiah Games to be a career highlight, alongside making it to the NCAA Tournament's Final Four with Auburn in 2019.

NCAA teams are currently allowed an overseas trip once every four years. The University of Connecticut men's team visited Israel in 1998, and the Toledo women's team and Wheaton's men's team followed suit in 2011 and 2016, respectively. Pearl said that his vision is for the trip to become a repeat occurrence – and to expand it to the United Arab Emirates. He floated changing its name to the "Abraham Accords Cup," a reference to the series of normalization agreements between Israel and some of its neighboring Arab countries in recent years.

"In other words, how can we contribute to peace in the Middle East? Normalization," Pearl said. "There may have been a time when people thought, 'well, that's not a very good idea. That's too dangerous. Why would you do that?' And, and that's why we want to try to do that. So that's kind of what we see as far as our future's concerned." **HW**

Abbas is Creating a Dictatorship in the Palestinian Authority, New Report Finds

By Ariel Kahana

(Israel Hayom via JNS) – Palestinian Authority leader Mahmoud Abbas has implemented measures that could turn the P.A. into a dictatorship, according to a new report, published just two weeks before the 29th anniversary of the signing of the Oslo Accords.

The report was authored by Israeli NGO Palestinian Media Watch, which has followed developments in the P.A. virtually since its inception in 1994. Over the past four years, the report states, "Abbas has made decisions and implemented fundamental changes to the Palestinian political system, the overall purpose of which is to completely abolish what is left of Palestinian democracy and replace the P.A.'s institutions with the Palestinian Liberation Organization."

Abbas's first step, according to the report, was to make structural changes in the PLO that gave him increased control. The Palestinian National Council, the PLO's legislative body, has almost never convened. To ensure greater control, in 2018 Abbas ordered the PNC to transfer its authorities to the Palestinian Central Council, a much smaller body that is far easier to control.

In December 2018, Abbas dismantled the Palestinian Legislative Council, which functioned as a type of parliament after Hamas won the 2006 elections. Abbas promised that new parliamentary elections would be held six months after its dispersal, but these were never held.

In February 2019, Abbas spearheaded another change: He abandoned the P.A.'s constitution as the source of the P.A.'s executive power and replaced it with the PLO's constitution – such that only the PLO could control the P.A.

The last phase came in February 2022, when Abbas adopted a resolution ordering the PLO's Executive Committee, which Abbas heads, to restructure the P.A.'s institutions. Even before then, in the first half of 2021, Abbas canceled the P.A.'s presidential elections, ensuring he would continue holding the position he has held since 2006 without elections. "All international proposals that champion the creation of a Palestinian state emphasize that it needs to be democratic, but there's nothing left of Palestinian democracy," said attorney Maurice Hirsch, the head of legal strategies for PMW and editor of the report. "The term 'Palestinian democracy' has always been an oxymoron, but it's gotten worse recently," said Hirsch. "The steps taken by Abbas need to sound the alarm in every country that helps the Palestinians financially via the P.A.'s institutions. They want to believe they are granting aid to the Palestinian people, but essentially, they are sustaining the PLO and solidifying Fatah's hegemony. If the international community doesn't intervene and demand from Abbas that he reverse his anti-democratic measures, Fatah's dictatorial rule over the Palestinian Authority will be strengthened even more," Hirsch concluded. This article first appeared in Israel Hayom. HW

Scientists Develop Two-Day Warning to Predict Devastating Earthquakes

By Abigail Klein Leichman

(Israel21c via JNS) – Researchers at Israel's Ariel University have come up with a method to accurately predict major earthquakes two days before they hit – by measuring what's going on high above the Earth's surface, not far below it.

fore they hit, but they don't agree on the best method for detecting earthquake "signatures." It's not yet possible to forecast earthquakes by seeking signals in the Earth's crust.

rately describe the physical processes leading to earthquake events," say researchers from Ariel University in Israel. A more promising method may be to look for signatures in layers of Earth's atmosphere, caused by both acoustic and gravity waves. The scientists report in the scientific journal Remote Sensing that by studying changes in the ionosphere layer, they can make a positive prediction of a strong earthquake up to 48 hours ahead with 80% accuracy, and a negative prediction (where an earthquake will not occur) with 85.7% accuracy. These experts from the fields of physics, geophysics, civil engineering and computer science developed a machine-learning support vector machine (SVM) technique that uses GPS map data of ionospheric total electron content to calculate that layer's electron charge density. The study was funded by Israel's Energy Ministry and the Israel Science Foundation.

Scientists agree that it's important to be able to predict earthquakes well be-

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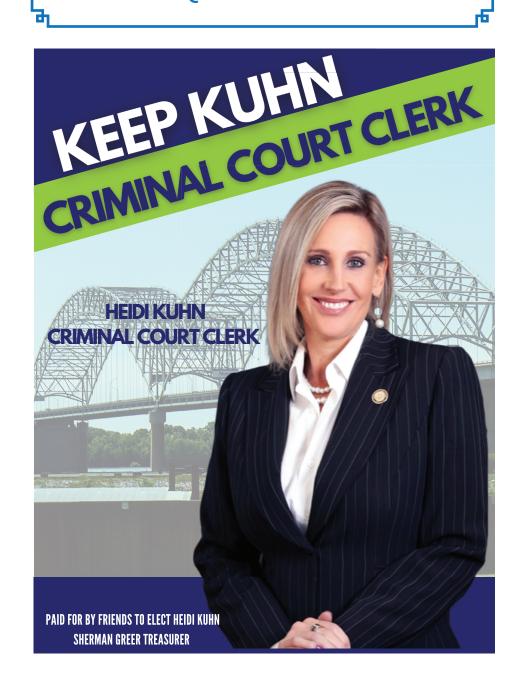
Tori Horn and Zachary Kloville

Zachary Abraham Kloville and Tori Lynn Horn were married on June 10, 2022, at White Raven Manor. Rabbi Jeremy Simons officiated.

The proud parents are Janet Kloville and Jeff Kloville, both of Memphis, and Melissa Mercer of Lexington, S.C. and Steven Horn of Chapin, S.C. Zachary attended Tulane University, and Tori attended Winthrop University. The couple now lives in Memphis where Zachary is enrolled at University of Memphis Law School while working for Apperson Crump PLC. Tori is employed at the University of Memphis Department of Psychology. **HW**

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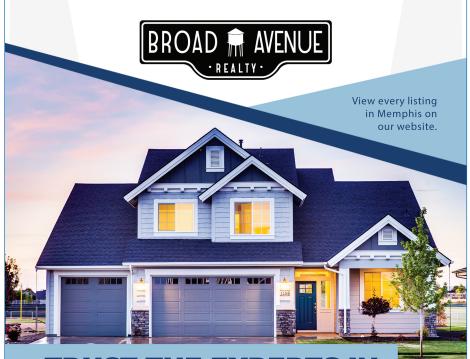


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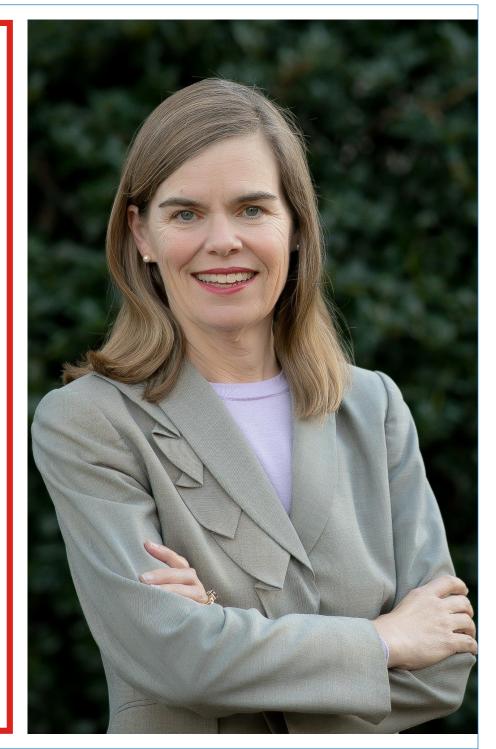
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Noreen Freiden

Longtime Memphis resident Noreen Freiden – wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother – passed away peacefully on Shabbat, July 9, 2022, following a brief illness. The private funeral was held on July 9 at Beth El Cemetery; Cantor Aryeh Samberg of Anshei Sphard Beth El Emeth Congregation officiated. Over 150 devices (representing many more people) were watching over Zoom. Noreen was born in Toronto, Ontario,

Canada, in 1935 to Max and Janie Barrach. When she was 12 years old, her family moved to Richmond, Va.

It was there she met her future husband and life-partner, Bernard, who – as a U.S. soldier – was stationed in Fort Lee. They met at a social for Jewish servicemen, and it was love at first sight. They were married soon thereafter, and Bernard whisked his bride back to his hometown of Memphis. They ran a grocery together on Beale Street, but after the family began to grow, Bernard worked as a salesman while Noreen raised her family and started what became a lifetime of volunteer work.

After she and Bernard decided to become more traditionally observant, they both became actively involved at Anshei Sphard Beth El Emeth Congregation (ASBEE). Noreen could always be found in the ASBEE kitchen with her friends, cooking for different events and occasions, and ultimately served as the president of the ASBEE Sisterhood.

When she and her husband decided to send their children to the then-Memphis Hebrew Academy, she spent the subsequent decades as a committed volunteer, preparing and serving schools lunches, volunteering as the school secretary, teaching nursery and serving as the PTA president. Many of the fundraising events still held by the Margolin Hebrew Academy - including the annual auction - were her brainchild. Besides local institutions, Noreen worked tirelessly fundraising for Hadassah and the Jewish National Fund, culminating in her memorable JNF event at the Peabody Hotel, honoring Johnny Cash.

Noreen assured her home was a welcoming one. Countless people have called the family to recount how the Freiden home was their second home. Noreen and Bernard hosted many hundreds of people for Shabbat meals, to include newcomers, guests to the community, people stuck in Memphis for the weekend, as well as the friends of their children, then of their grandchildren and even their great-grandchildren. Noreen was a consummate cook and baker, and her recipes are family lore. Of special note were her sour cabbage soup, her garlic brisket, her twice-stuffed potatoes and her sweet rolls. Noreen made sure her home was the go-to place for parties, organizational meetings, and most importantly, the Wednesday night Mahjong game she hosted for her friends. Her children would be sure to sneak downstairs early Thursday morning to partake of the leftover cakes and treats, which were wrapped up but not yet put away.

What was most amazing was Noreen accomplished all of this while being legally blind since birth; she never let her disability get in the way of raising her children while her husband was away every week on business, performing her countless hours of charity work or traveling the world with her girlfriends.

The family wants to make special mention of the incredible staff of the Memphis Jewish Home and Rehab, who took such special care of her during these last few months. They ask that charitable donations be made in her memory to the Memphis Jewish Home and Rehab, 901-756-3273.

Noreen leaves behind her husband of 69 years, Bernard; her brother, Selby Barrach; her children Jeffrey (Pam), Denis (April), Hugh (Deborah), Bradley (Dena) and Melissa (Joey) Friedman, as well as 24 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren, whom she loved greatly and whom she convinced she was always 18 years old. May her memory always be a blessing to those who knew and loved her. **HW**



Abby Davidson Reiter

Abby Davidson Reiter, daughter of Carl Reiter and the late Claudia Rorex Reiter, passed away on June 30, 2022, in Lake Worth, Florida. She was 38 years old.

Abby grew up in Memphis where she developed a love of music, writing, and animals. She had a kind heart and a bedazzling personality, and she wanted to save every kitten that needed shelter.

Abby was beautiful and had an "old soul mystique" about her. She loved her parent's generation's music and fashions more than her own. But nothing gave her more pleasure than doting on her two boys, Francis 5 and Judah 3 and spending time with her daughter, Chloe,10. Abby left us far too soon and with more questions than answers.

She will be missed by her family and by her many friends.

A graveside service was held Aug 1 at Memphis Memorial Funeral Home and Memorial Gardens, 3700 North Germantown Parkway in Bartlett, Tenn.

Honoring Abby's wishes, she will be laid to rest next to her mother.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Temple Israel or a charity of your choice. **HW**





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German Man Reportedly Sent to Prison for Holocaust Comment About Singer Who Claimed Antisemitism

By Philissa Cramer

(JTA) – A German man has been sentenced to seven months in prison for leaving a hateful comment on a Facebook post about the case of Gil Ofarim, a German-Israeli singer who was charged with lying about an antisemitism incident at a hotel last year.

"In Buchenwald he would have liked to be seen with his Star of David," the 38-year-old man from the German city of Niesky wrote on the account of TAG24, a German news website, according to a report by Radio Lausitz, a German news radio channel. Buchenwald is the site of the largest Nazi concentration camp within Germany's borders. The comment ran afoul of Germany's strict laws prohibiting antisemitic speech, and the man's previous criminal record also played a role in his sentencing, according to the report, which said an appeal was likely. Pop singer Ofarim said a clerk had denied him a room at a Liepzig hotel because he was wearing a Star of David necklace. Hundreds protested the hotel before Ofarim's account was discredited when security video showed that he was not wearing a visible Jewish symbol at the time. He was later charged with crimes related to making a false allegation, although he has not yet been prosecuted. HW



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Consider a Bond Ladder for Rising Interest Rates

Provided by Mike Stein, Managing Director - Investments, Wells Fargo Advisors Questions for Mike? You can reach him at 901.761.8151 or Michael.Stein@WellsFargoAdvisors.com

After dropping the benchmark federal funds rate to a range of 0%-0.25% early in the pandemic, the Federal Open Market Committee of the Federal Reserve has begun raising the rate aggressively in response to high inflation and a stronger economy. Following an initial 0.25% increase in March 2022 and a 0.5% increase in May, the Committee raised the rate by 0.75% at its June meeting - the first 0.75-percentage-point increase since 1994 - to a target range of 1.5%-1.75%. June projections indicate the rate could rise to a range of 3.25%-3.5% by the end of 2022, with an additional one or two 0.25-percentage-point increases in 2023.1

Raising the federal funds rate places upward pressure on a wide range of interest rates, including the cost of borrowing through bond issues. When interest rates go up, the prices of existing bonds typically fall, because new bonds with higher yields are more attractive. Investors are also less willing to tie up their funds for a long time, so bonds with longer maturity dates are generally more sensitive to rate changes than shorter-dated bonds. Yet shorter-dated bonds usually have lower yields.

Despite the challenges, bonds are a mainstay for conservative investors who may prioritize the preservation of principal over returns, as well as retirees in need of a predictable income stream. **Step by Step**

One way to address rising rates is to create a bond ladder, a portfolio of bonds with maturities that are spaced out at regular intervals over a certain number of years. For example, a five-year ladder might have 20% of the bonds mature each year. This strategy puts an investor's money to work systematically, without trying to predict rate changes.

In the current situation, with rates projected to rise over a two- to three-year period, it might make sense to create a short bond ladder now and a longer ladder when rates appear to have stabilized. Keep in mind that these are only projections, based on current conditions, and may not come to pass. The actual direction of interest rates might change.

Reinvesting or Taking Withdrawals When bonds from the lowest rung of the ladder mature, the funds are often reinvested at the long end of the ladder. When rates are rising, investors who reinvest the funds may be able to increase their cash flow by capturing higher yields on new issues. Or a ladder might be part of a withdrawal strategy in which the returned principal from maturing bonds is dedicated to retirement spending.



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Mike Stein Managing Director -Investments Bond ladders may vary in size and structure, and could include different types of bonds depending on an investor's time horizon, risk tolerance, goals, and personal preference. Owning a diversified mix of bond investments might also help cushion the effects of interest rate and credit risk in a portfolio. Diversification is a method used to help manage investment risk; it does not guarantee a profit or protect against investment loss.

Individual Bonds vs. ETFs

Buying individual bonds provides certainty, because investors know exactly how much they will earn if they hold a bond to maturity, unless the issuer defaults. However, individual bonds are typically sold in minimum denominations of \$1,000 to \$5,000, so creating a bond ladder with a sufficient level of diversification might require a sizable investment.

A similar approach involves laddering bond exchange-traded funds (ETFs) that have defined maturity dates. These funds, typically called target maturity ETFs, generally hold many bonds that mature in the same year the ETF will liquidate and return assets to shareholders. Target maturity ETFs may enhance diversification and provide liquidity, but unlike individual bonds, the income payments and final distribution rate are not fully predictable. Bond ETFs are subject to the same inflation, interest rate, and credit risks associated with their underlying bonds.

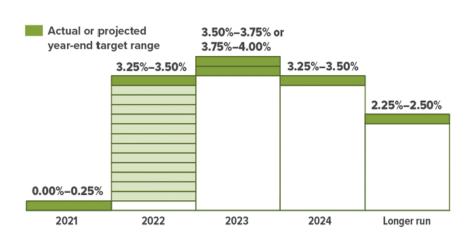
Building by Units

Another way to ladder the fixed-income portion of your portfolio is by purchasing unit investment trusts (UITs) with staggered termination dates. Bondbased UITs typically hold a varied portfolio of bonds with maturity dates that

Federal Funds Path?

This chart illustrates the federal funds target range at the end of 2021 and future yearend projections released by the Federal Open Market Committee after its June 2022 meeting.

Green boxes represent actual or projected 0.25% federal funds target ranges



coincide with the termination date of the trust, at which point the funds can be used however the investor wishes. The UIT sponsor may offer the opportunity to roll over the proceeds to a new UIT.

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1) Federal Reserve, 2022

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Report: 1 of 118 Anti-Jewish Hate Crimes in NYC Resulted in Significant Prison Term



People participate in a Jewish solidarity march across the Brooklyn Bridge on January 5, 2020. Credit: Jeenah Moon/Getty Images

By Stewart Ain

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Americans Against Anti-Semitism, a group founded by former New York Assemblyman Dov Hikind, said it has reviewed all anti-Jewish bias crimes in New York City since 2018 and found only one case in which a suspect was convicted of a hate crime and sentenced to a significant prison term.

The report, which Hikind plans to highlight at a news conference on Tuesday morning, August 2, tracked 118 cases in which mostly visibly Orthodox Jews were harassed with antisemitic slurs or assaulted. The group acknowledged that it was unable to track suspects in 34 of the cases.

"When it comes to anti-Jewish hate crimes in NYC," the report said, "there are practically no serious consequences to be had or severe punishments to be faced by very violent and hateful criminals who've caused significant physical, emotional and psychological damage to their victims."

The New York Police Department referred questions about the new report to the Brooklyn District Attorney's office. A spokesman for the Brooklyn D.A. said the report was "incomplete and incorrect," offering some specific examples of cases in which Hikind's group failed to see the complete picture.

Some critics also raised questions about the report's methodology, noting that it relied on a database called Web-Crimes, in which cases no longer appear after they have been resolved.

The report comes as the NYPD and the Anti Defamation League have chronicled an increase in antisemitic attacks. In the first three months of 2022, the city recorded 86 anti-Jewish crimes, a rate on track to top the 242 reported in 2019; hate crimes, like all crimes, dipped during the pandemic. In 2021, according to the NYPD, 198 of 524 hate crimes reported in the city targeted Jews.

Scott Richman, regional director for

the Anti Defamation League in New York and New Jersey, said the group stands by its "record of providing onthe-ground support to victims and communities and working side-by-side with law enforcement to make sure such crimes are given the priority they deserve."

The report says that its analysis found that Jews were "the most targeted group by volume and per capita." Broadly, experts believe that Jews are more likely than other minority groups to report bias crimes because of better relationships with the police and government.

Hikind, who grew up in a Haredi family in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, created the antisemitism advocacy group after retiring in 2018 from the Assembly, where he had served since 1983.

To develop its report, the group said it conducted a "systematic search" of relevant hate crime reports since 2018 and then created a "data tool that uses machine learning to find relevant news reports, turn them into trackable cases, and connect with the WebCrimes court system" to automatically update the status of each case.

It cited at least a half-dozen cases in which antisemitic slurs were hurled at Jews and "it does not appear that there were any judicial consequences." In some of those cases, it said, the victims were also hit or spit upon.

One example is Glenn Murto, 28, who was arrested in 2019 and charged with seven hate crimes for a vandalism spree in the Greenpoint section of Brooklyn between January and April of that year. The authorities accused Murto of placing stickers around the neighborhood containing swastikas and messages including "Jews are poisoning our children." The report said it is "unclear if Murto faced any actual consequences for his conduct, as there is no information publicly available regarding a plea deal or conviction."

Another case spotlighted in the report concerns Farrukh Afzal, a livery driver, who was accused in 2018 of stopping his car in the Borough Park neighborhood of Brooklyn, exiting his vehicle and chasing a pedestrian, Lipa Schwartz, 62, and beating him. Passersby were able to subdue Afzal, 37, who was also suspected of earlier trying to run over an Orthodox man.

Afzal, who had at least eight prior arrests, is now awaiting trial on charges including assault as a hate crime.

The lone case highlighted by the report in which a person was convicted and given what the group calls a significant punishment was that of James Vincent, 40, who was sentenced to 11 years for charges including strangulation and a hate crime after shouting antisemitic slurs and beating Menachem Moskowitz, 52, as he walked home from synagogue in 2018. Even in that case, Hikind's group complained that it took more than three years.

The spokesman for the Brooklyn District Attorney said the delay was caused by multiple psychiatric evaluations.

Hikind said in an interview that many cases appeared to have "disappeared, got lost in the system or were reduced to something less than a hate crime," adding: "This is what's wrong with our system."

Hikind noted that the state legislature had increased the severity of punishments for bias crimes, but said that "in reality none of that happens."

"The idea that we are tough on hate crimes is an absolute farce, an absolute joke," Hikind said. **HW**

Gantz Says Israel Could 'Seriously Harm and Delay' Iran's Nuclear Program



"Iran is a global problem. It is not just Israel's private problem," declared Israeli Defense Minister Benny Gantz.

because it would be a temporary delay." Israel's defense minister also noted that he discussed with U.S. President Joe Biden the option of Israel attacking Tehran. Biden had said publicly during his visit mid-month that the military option was still on the table as a last resort. **HW**



Israeli Defense Minister Benny Gantz speaks during a ceremony honoring disabled Israeli soldiers, in Tel Aviv on April 5, 2022. Credit: Tomer Neuberg/Flash90.

(JNS) – Israeli Defense Minister Benny Gantz said last Tuesday that Israel has the capability to cause major damage to Iran's nuclear program.

He also said that plans to revive the 2015 nuclear deal would only delay Iran's program.

"Iran is a global problem," he said during a Channel 13 conference in Jerusalem. "It is not just Israel's private problem."

"We are able to seriously harm and delay the nuclear [program]," he added. "We are very unsatisfied with the agreement, which would be a bad agreement



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Lunch is Monday–Friday at 11:30 a.m. All programs start at 12:15 p.m.

Tuesday, August 9

Field Trip: Dixon Gardens. Depending on the weather, the group will either tour the Gardens outside or tour the inside exhibits. In the Gardens, Icelandic sculptor Steinunn Thórarinsdóttir's evocative Borders series has been extended! Find 11 androgynous sculptural pairs intermingled throughout the east side of the Dixon Gardens. On the inside, Ramona Sonin's artistic practice encompasses a variety of media, from charcoal drawing to digital illustration and beyond, but she is first and foremost a couture designer. Working in her West Memphis studio, she conceives and sketches out one-of-a-kind gowns, then begins bringing them to life piece by piece, using fabrics and embellishments largely sourced in Los Angeles' fashion district.

Thursday, August 11

This is a return to the Video Lecture Series featuring Jimmy Ogle. Mr. Ogle, before he moved to East Tennessee, was the most popular presenter of the seniors' speaking series. This video, taped before a live audience, is on Memphis Music History. It will be shown in the MJCC Board Room. Reservations are appreciated to make sure there is enough room. Please call the MJCC front desk at 901-761-0810.

Tuesday, August 16

Join Rabbi Jeff Dreifus, the new Assistant Rabbi at Temple Israel, who will speak on "Spiritual Journey from Tisha B'av to Rosh Hashanah!" Rabbi Dreifus' talks have been enjoyed very much by all.

Thursday, August 18

Our August round of Super Bingo!! Special prizes for this free event. Come for lunch and stay for the fun or come at 12:15 and join in.

Wednesday August 17

MJCC Larisa and Ben Baer Senior Adult Club Monthly Luncheon will feature Mike and Jeanette Dougherty, vocal artists. The Kosher Lunch and entertainment is ONLY \$5.00! Reservations can be made by calling the MJCC Front Desk at 901-761-0810.

Please join us from Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m. for a delicious Kosher lunch from the Kitchens at the Memphis Jewish Home & Rehab. The cost is only \$2 for seniors. Reservations are required the day before by 1 p.m. by contacting Steve Kaplan, Adult Services Coordinator, at stevekaplan@jccmemphis.org 901-259-9220 or calling the front desk at 901-761-0810. **HW**

Iconic Brazilian Jewish Conductor Henrique Morelenbaum Dies at 90

By Marcus M. Gilban

RIO DE JANEIRO (JTA) – Henrique Morelenbaum, considered one of Brazil's most prominent conductors and music directors, died last Friday of natural causes in Rio de Janeiro at 90.

"He was one of the most important personalities in Brazilian musical life over the last 70 years, as an instrumentalist, conductor, teacher and administrator. He left his mark on the institutions where he worked," read a tribute posted by the Brazilian Academy of Music, of which Morelenbaum was an active member.

Born in Poland in 1931 as Saul Herz Morelenbaum, Henrique Morelenbaum arrived in Rio at the age of 3, where his name was changed. At 16, he became a Brazilian citizen.

The rest of his extended family was killed in the Holocaust.

"From both my father and mother's huge families, there was no one left," he said in an interview with Interludio magazine in 2017.

After attending a public school, Morelenbaum received a scholarship to attend the local Sholem Aleichem Jewish school, later studying violin, viola, conducting and composition after high school.

His conducting career began suddenly in 1959 during a ballet performance in which he took over the baton because the scheduled conductor could not perform. By 1962, he became conductor of Rio's Municipal Theater orchestra, and later he became music director of the city's Cecilia Meireles Hall theater.

Over the course of an intense career,

Morelenbaum often conducted symphonic concerts, operas and ballets. As part of his vast international contemporary repertoire, he was responsible for the Brazilian premiere of the famed composer Arnold Schoenberg's "Kol Nidre," an orchestral piece named after the Yom Kippur prayer.

Morelenbaum also led the Brazilian Israelite Choir and composed the anthem of the Kinderland Association, a well-known Rio Jewish summer camp founded in 1952.

He served as the head of various musical institutions, at different times directing Brazil's main orchestras, and he also conducted across Latin America and Europe.

Morelenbaum's death made headlines in several Brazilian media outlets.

"He is widely recognized for the work of promoting Brazilian composers abroad," wrote the Folha de S.Paulo newspaper. "His death was mourned by the Brazilian classical music niche, generating expressions of sorrow and tributes from several institutions," added the G1 news portal's obituary.

Morelenbaum is survived by his wife, Sarah, three children, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

"My dear father passed to a softer environment of the spiritual realm. I thank him for the affection, the legacy of the incessant search for knowledge and evolution, for justice and love, for the love of music and art in general as a way of building spiritual beauty," wrote his son Jaques Morelenbaum, who is also a prominent conductor. **HW**

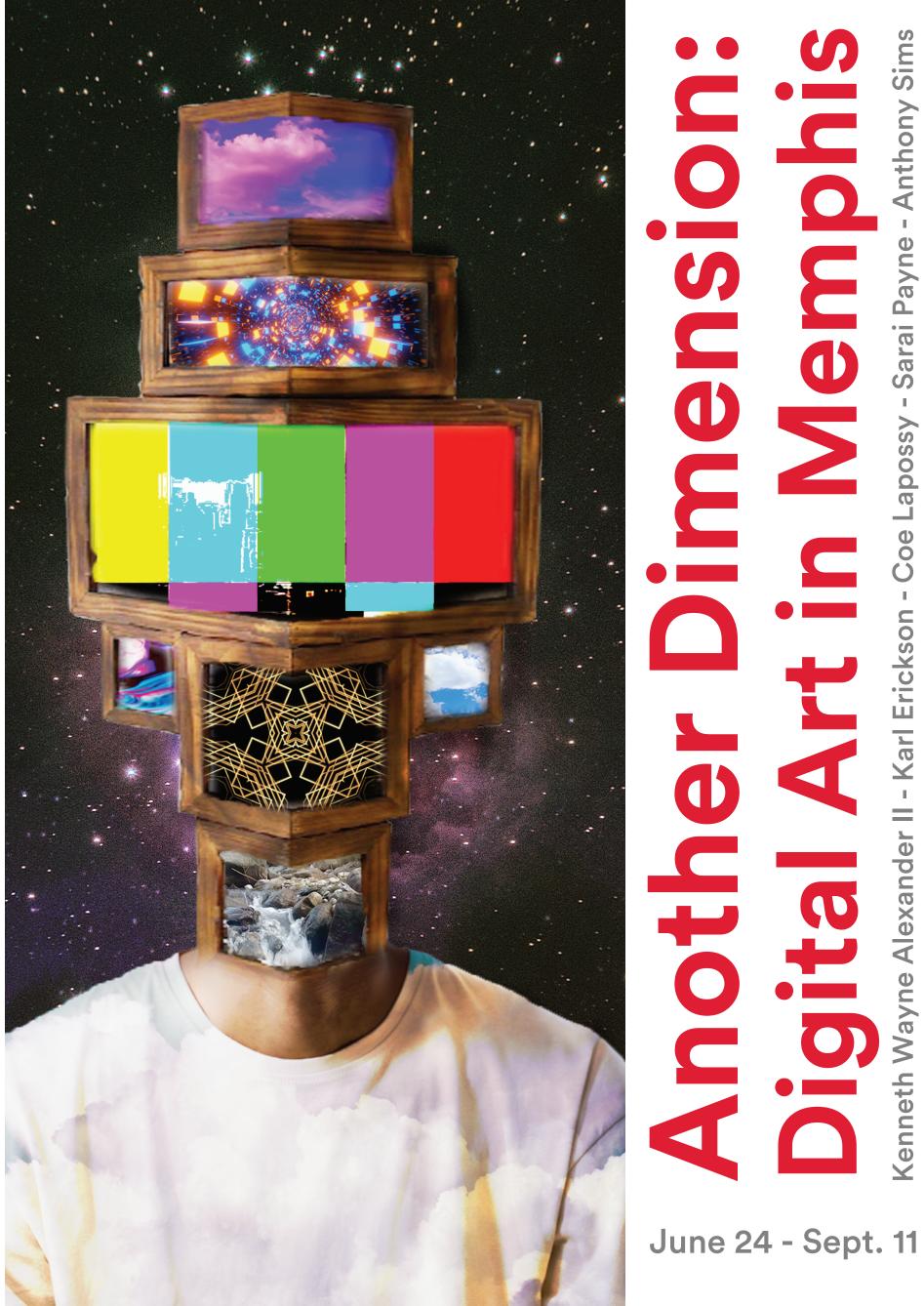




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