

# Newsletter

We had no spring to speak of – but did have rain, rain, rain. Fortunately though, we weren't hit by terrible tornadoes and floods that devastated so much of the country. Hope none of our people were affected by them. But, if we didn't have weather to talk and complain about – what would we do?!?! Let's hope when we are in the throes of summer, that the weekends are not wash-outs and everyone enjoys their days off.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!!

Unfortunately, we had a problem with the email address we previously sent you for the new electronic Newsletter delivery. We have now set up a NEW email address for you to send your email addresses. Please use [SOJKKJ@aol.com](mailto:SOJKKJ@aol.com) to re-send your information to me. If you have not sent yours yet, please do so ASAP, so we may proceed to complete the process. We're hoping to hear from many of you. Sorry for any inconvenience. Thanks. Please note, if you are planning to print the Newsletter, it is formatted on LEGAL size paper.

## IOANNINA, GREECE

We've just spoken with Marcia Ikonomopoulos who returned from her annual trip to Greece with the following information about the synagogue in Ioannina. The congregation is now facing the problem of repairing the tikkim (unique Romaniote wooden Torah coverings) of the water damaged Torahs. Our donation for the Torah repairs was sufficient for the completion of the Torah repair, for which we thank you so much. Estimated cost for each tik is \$5,000 and there are five (5) that must be repaired in Athens. Sisterhood, along with KKJ and the Assoc. of Friends of Greek Jewry, has been very generous in the past in helping to support the revered synagogue our people have worshipped at for so many years. If you would like to contribute to this very important project to help repair the tikkim, please make your check out to Sisterhood of Janina – Ioannina Tikkim Fund and mail it to Sisterhood of Janina, c/o Esther Benjamin, 675 Pelham Rd. #F-10, New Rochelle, NY 10805. Your cooperation in the past was greatly appreciated by the Jewish Community, which was decimated so drastically by the Holocaust. Thank you in advance for your anticipated generosity for this most worthy cause. As in the past, Sisterhood will match your donations.

*Thank you.*

## *Save The Date*

The United Brotherhood/Good Hope Society of Janina, serving our community's benevolent needs for over 100 years, will be honoring its two past presidents, Sol Matsil, son of Rabbi Behoraki Matsil, and Marty Genee, son of former KKJ president, Hy Genee. A commemorative Journal will be published in conjunction with this event. Additional information will be sent as we get closer to the date.

October 22, 2011  
Special Shabbat Service  
At KKJ

October 23, 2011  
Testimonial Dinner/Dance  
At Oceanside Jewish Center

Sol Matsil  
2000-2004

Marty Genee  
2005-2009

We urge you to become a participant of our Donor Card Program, if you aren't one already. This is Sisterhood's main source of income and the program depends entirely on your commitment to keep it healthy. Listed below are our Sunshine Secretaries, who will write out the appropriate card, be it "Get Well", "In Honor Of/Congratulations," "In Memory Of", naming you as the donor, sealing, stamping and mailing it, for a *minimum* donation of \$5.00. Please continue to support it...you are our lifeblood.

*Thank you.*

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I am extremely pleased to announce our new Florida Sunshine Secretary...Rae Yamali has volunteered to fill the void left by Judy Myones' retirement. Rae has lived in Florida for many years and I'm sure has gotten to know most of the Floridians who belong to Sisterhood. Rae, along with our Northern Sunshine Secretaries, Corrine Levy and Judy Samuels, are waiting for your calls. Your continued, ongoing contribution to our Donor Card Program is what helps keep Sisterhood viable and running in the "black." So, please call and have your card of choice sent by our group of willing volunteers!

#### CURRENT DONOR CARD SUPPORTERS

Fran & Dave Albahae, Ralph Battino & Jackie Andros, Terry & Abe Battino, Esther & Murray Benjamin, Annette Binder, Anna (Teddy) Coffino), Deanna Cohen-Marcus, Joan Cohen, Belle & Marty Davis, Betty Davis, Rose Eskononts, Sandy & Barry Fox, Robin Gordon & Family, Garrison B. Hack, Irene Harris, Rhoda & Lloyd Hirsch, Marcia Haddad Ikononopoulos, Elaine Ioannou & Family, Wendy K. Josephs, Mollie Kaplan, Olivia Koppell-Levy, Terry & Sol Lafazan, Lois & Ed Ledner, Corrine Levy, Rochelle Levy-Chap, Shirley (Sarah) Mandragona, Irene & Sol Matsil, Michael Mazza, Sam Mindlin, Joe Myones, Judy & Eli Myones, Stella Myones, Eva & Max Nachmias, Evelyn Negrin, M/M Maurice Negrin, Roberta Russo, Rose Salberg, Judy Samuels, Sara Samuels, Daisy & Ralph Schaeffer, Linda & Robert Silverman, Audrey Solomon, Edith Solomon, Anne & Jack Uffer, Mike Vitoulis & Family, Mimi & Murray Vitoulis, Rae Yamali, Anita Zaffos, Bea Zaghera.

*Thank You All*

#### SISTERHOOD NEWS

- ~Hope to hear that Anne Uffer's husband, Jack, will be home soon from rehab.
- ~Best Wishes for Good Health to Matilda Schinazi. Hope she's home from the hospital, soon.
- ~Congratulations to Sarah (Shirley) Mandragona, on the Bat Mitzvah of her granddaughter Jessica. Proud parents are Ellen & Mark Hochman & big sister Adriana. Mazal Tov!
- ~Congratulations to Linda & Robert Silverman on their son David Ian's marriage to Tessa Leigh Rosenthal. We wish the newlyweds a long and happy life together. Mazal Tov!
- ~Happy Special Birthday wishes to Elaine Lust. Wishing Her Many More with Good Health!
- ~Congratulations and Mazal Tov to Esty Kaplan and hubby Michael Sykora on the May 25<sup>th</sup> birth of their son Matthew N. Sykora.
- ~Best Wishes for Good Health to Mollie Feder. Hope she's home from the hospital, soon.

*We are extremely grateful to the following for their very generous donations to Sisterhood:*

- ~Rhoda & Lloyd Hirsch - In Memory of Dora Mazza
- ~Elaine Ioannou & Family - In Memory of David Mussey
- ~Garrison B. Hack - In Memory of Dora Mazza
- ~Michael Mazza - In Memory of Beloved Mother, Dora Mazza
- ~ Michael Mazza - In Memory of Carl Malanga
- ~Ralph Battino & Jackie Andros - In Memory of Helen Staiino
- ~Ralph Battino & Jackie Andros - For Rose Eskononts' speedy recovery.
- ~Fran & Dave Albahae - In Memory of sister-in-law Jean Albahae
- ~Anna (Teddy) Coffino - In Memory of Dora Mazza.
- ~Linda & Robert Silverman - In Honor of their son, David Ian's August 20th marriage to Tessa Leigh Rosenthal. David is the grandson of Anna & Morris Matza & Great Grandson of Rosie And Shorty Matza, who would all be so proud.
- ~Sarah (Shirley) Mandragona - In Honor of her Granddaughter Jessica Hochman's Bat Mitzvah. Proud parents and older sister are Ellen, Mark and Adriana. Mazal Tov!
- ~Esty Kaplan and hubby Michael Sykora - Announce the birth of their son, Matthew N. Sykora on May 25th. Matthew (which means "Gift from G-d") is the grandson of the late Bea Myones.

*Thank You All.*

*Best Regards,*

*Rose Eskononts*