

Dear Sisterhood Member,

Frigid winter weather came early to north/south/east/west! In fact, we here in the Northeast experienced a blizzard, of major proportions, the worst since 1947, which brought upwards of 25-30 inches of snow, wind gusts of up to 50 miles per hour, cancelled air travel and slowed down all travel for days. The white stuff came on Sunday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, making some kids wishes for a "White Christmas" just a day late, ending on Monday the 27<sup>th</sup>...but the aftermath seemed to take forever to clear up, especially in the outer boroughs of New York. What a way to bring the year to an end! Then, came an onslaught of 7 more storms!!! Incredible! But, we will survive these storms, and hope there's no more in store for us for the remainder of winter 2011!! Can't wait for a Florida vacation, and, it can't happen too soon! We'll be there for the Pasha Florida Reunion and look forward to seeing our Floridian Sisterhood members and all the "snow birds" who escaped these blizzards!

**KKJ**

Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, KKJ was privileged to host filmmaker Ed Gaffney and the New York premier of "Empty Boxcars". A lovely crowd assembled to view this very enthralling film about Bulgaria during WWII and the plight of their Jews. It portrays with an even hand, the events that occurred, with stirring and heart-rending reports from survivors.

**Upcoming Event:** Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 1 PM, KKJ will be showing a rarely seen documentary film by Bob Bedford, Exec. V.P. of the New York based *Foundation for the Advancement of Sephardic Studies and Culture*, whose mission is to preserve and promote the complex and centuries-old culture of the Sephardic communities of Turkey, Greece, the Balkans, Europe and the United States. "Ottoman Salonika" offers a rarely seen glimpse of the Jewish world of Salonika before it became part of Modern Greece in 1912.

**Wed., February 16<sup>th</sup>; Location: , Boynton Beach, Florida; Scene: Benvenuto's Restaurant;**  
**Event: Pashas 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Florida Reunion.**

Thanks to Max Nachmias, approx. 250 people, Floridians, snow-birds and visitors, and ALL Pashas, assembled at Benvenuto's Restaurant in Boynton Beach to enjoy an afternoon of meeting, greeting, dancing and eating!!! Friends, relatives all gathered together for the 12<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. Our thanks to Max for what has become the highlight of the winter season in Florida. Sasha and Friend provided the get-up-and-go music that got everyone up and going! Those who didn't get up to dance, clapped, tapped their feet in time to the music, and hummed or sang along! The food, as always was delicious, but more important was the camaraderie of people greeting each other after a year's absence (for those visitors who only get down there for this event!); family members seeing long-lost cousins, in-laws, out-laws and just friends catching up. This is truly a much-looked-forward-to event and everyone enjoyed the afternoon tremendously. We gave a big hand to Max and his "committee" for all their efforts in making this day so successful. Kudos!

**DONOR CARD PROGRAM**

If you aren't one already, we urge you to become a participant of our Donor Card Program, which is Sisterhood's main source of income. This 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**. Your continued, ongoing contribution to our Donor Card Program is what helps keep Sisterhood viable and running in the "black." Please continue to support it...you are our lifeblood.

*Thank you.*

## **CURRENT DONOR CARD SUPPORTERS**

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*Thank You All*

## **SISTERHOOD NEWS**

- ~Very Happy “Special” Birthday Wishes to Mollie Cohen, Sisterhood’s former President. Wishing her Many, Many More with the best of health.**
- ~Sincerest Condolences to Pearl Cantos on the loss of her Beloved Sister, Florence Rosenberg.**
- ~Happy Very “Special” Birthday to Mollie Kaplan, Sisterhood’s long-time member. Wishing her Many More with Good Health.**
- ~Congratulations to Sandra & Barry Fox on the birth of their newest Grandson. Mazal Tov to All.**
- ~Very Happy 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Wishes to Morty Morris, husband of our long-time member, Estelle Morris. Mazal Tov!**
- ~Congratulations to Melissa Ledner on her engagement to Daniel Dexeus. Melissa is the daughter of Lois and Ed Ledner, and granddaughter of Lil and the late Hy Genee. A fall wedding is planned. Mazal Tov!**
- ~Sincerest Condolences to our Brooklyn Sunshine Secretary, Corrine Levy and family on the passing of her Beloved Sister, Sarah Sharaby.**
- ~Glad to report that Terry Lafazan’s hubby, Sol, is doing remarkably well after his double knee surgery!**
- ~Sincerest Condolences to Iris Geik and Family on the loss of her mother, Reba Geik, who was a long-time member of Sisterhood.**
- ~Congratulations to Sylvia and Bernie Apple on celebrating their 69<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. Mazal Tov and Many More with the Best of Health.**
- ~Sincerest Condolences to Anna Ullman & family on the passing of her father, Leon Sabbas.**
- ~Sincerest Condolences to Wendy Josephs & family on the passing of her father, Milt Josephs.**
- ~Congratulations to Belle and Marty Davis on celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. Mazal Tov and Many More with Good Health.**

**Best Regards,**

**Rose Eskononts**