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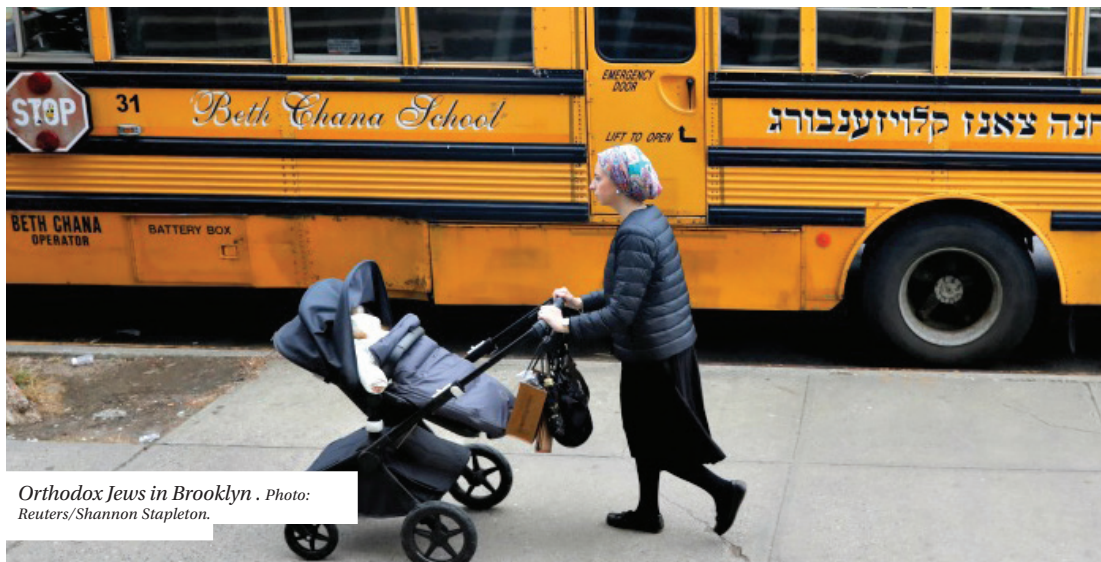
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Renewed Spate of Assaults Targets Orthodox Jews in Brooklyn



Orthodox Jews in Brooklyn . Photo:
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BY DAVID GERSTMAN

The Hate Crimes Unit of the New York City Police Department confirmed on Monday that it was investigating three assaults on orthodox Jewish men that took place earlier in the day.

The three men were attacked early on Monday morning by unknown assailants in Brooklyn while making their way to

synagogue services. Several similar incidents have been reported in recent months, with assailants targeting the increasingly fearful orthodox Jewish communities in the borough

The men— aged 71, 67, and 56 — were separately assaulted in the Williamsburg section. In all three cases, the men were punched in the face, ordered to give the attackers their money, and then had their pockets searched.

Two of the men were taken to Bellevue Hospital Center. The third man refused medical treatment.

The teenage attackers are still being sought. Video of the alleged assailants released by the Williamsburg Shomrim — a community security organization — showed up to four young black men gathering at a pedestrian crossing.

The NYPD Chief of Detectives, Dermot Shea, urged anyone with

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Major US Academic Association Votes Down Resolution to Boycott Israel

BY DAVID GERSTMAN

A controversial resolution promoting an academic boycott of Israel was narrowly voted down at a prestigious social science academic association over the weekend, *The Algemeiner* learned on Monday.

The resolution, which was co-authored by Melissa Weiner, an associate professor of sociology at the College of Holy Cross, and Johnny E. Williams, a professor of sociology at Trinity College, called on the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) to “promote divestment



A pro-BDS demonstration. Photo: FOA / Facebook.

and divestment from Israel by academic institutions, and place pressure on your own institution to suspend all ties with Israeli universities, including collaborative projects, study abroad, funding and exchanges.”

However, the resolution failed by a vote of 34 to 37 on Saturday.

“The conversation on the proposed resolution was civil by and large, even though the issue was quite contentious,” William Cabin, vice president of SSSP during the vote, told *The Algemeiner*. “We are pleased by our membership’s conduct throughout the conversation and vote.”

Ezra Temko, a sociologist at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville who opposed the BDS resolution at the SSSP meeting, wrote that “The Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions

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Opinion.

What Happens at Turkish and Palestinian ‘Summer Camps’?



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Many parents of my age remember striving to be able to send their children to summer camp. Now, as grandparents, we see our own children doing the same. I believed then, as I do now, that summer camp is a time when children make new friendships — many of which last into their adult years — grow emotionally, and learn what we call “people skills.”

Somewhere in the boxes that accumulated over the years in our basement are videotapes of our five children at summer camp. We see our kids in various activities — playing baseball and basketball, jumping into the pool, holding rabbits in the “nature shack,” and, the mother of all activities, “color war.”

Color war is a good kind of war. It’s bloodless, unless you bang your nose during a hotly contested rebound under a basketball hoop, and perhaps the most fun part is watching your child sing his or her heart out in the song competition. In the end, one team won, the other lost, and the war came to an end. You hope your child came away with the lesson that competition requires teamwork,

which in turn builds character.

Videos have now emerged of children at summer camp practicing for war of a different sort. For instance, from Turkey, there’s a video that has gone viral of a teacher prompting a group of young girls in a camp setting by shouting the word *yahudiye* — Turkish for “to the Jew” — which results in the children raising their fists and shouting “death.”

The video is seemingly so disturbing within Turkey that a member of its parliament has demanded an explanation from the government as to how this could have happened.

But perhaps more chilling than the Turkish episode are the video scenes coming out of Gaza’s summer camps. Here we are treated to young boys going through military training, running obstacle courses, and crawling under barbed wire, with what appears to be live fire overhead. We are also shown images of these “campers” field-stripping rifles while blindfolded. This is done in all armies to simulate night-time fighting conditions.

Perhaps we should be numb to this by now, since we’ve been watching, thanks to the folks at MEMRI and Palestinian Media Watch, two decades’ worth of kids’ shows on official Palestinian Authority television of children pledging to seek martyrdom when they are older, as they “liberate” Palestine.

But we’re not numb, and the images

coming out of Gaza are too disturbing to be cast aside as nothing more than daily Palestinian efforts to undermine Israel.

What are we to make of all this?

First, let’s call this phenomenon of young children and teens being used for the purpose of instilling them with Jew-hatred and preparing them for death in war, what it is: child abuse.

If you look up the definitions of child abuse, you’ll find they all boil down to this, as succinctly stated by ChildHelp on its website: “Child abuse is when a parent or caregiver, whether through action or failing to act, causes injury, death, emotional harm, or risk of serious harm to a child. There are many forms of child maltreatment, including neglect, physical abuse, sexual abuse, exploitation, and emotional abuse.”

Second, nothing good is going to come from this. Is Hamas planning to turn these teens into a child army, as we’ve seen in Africa with gruesome results? Is Hamas planning to destroy a whole generation of young men in the way that Iran did during the eight-years-long Iran-Iraq war, when 95,000 Iranian child soldiers were made casualties, mostly



Palestinian children compelled to participate in a Hamas military parade. Photo: Twitter.

between the ages of 16 and 17, and many younger than that?

I don’t have the answers to those questions, and I’d also like to know the answer to the question I have been asking for almost 25 years: Where are the Palestinian parents who love their children and want to keep them out of harm’s way?

Stephen M. Flatow, an attorney in New Jersey, is the father of Alisa Flatow, who was murdered in an Iranian-sponsored Palestinian terrorist attack in 1995. He is the author of A Father’s Story: My Fight for Justice Against Iranian Terror, available at Devon Square Press.



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New York Times Faults One of Its Own Editors for Repeated ‘Poor Judgment’



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A *New York Times* editor is in trouble for what the *Times* calls repeated poor judgment on social media.

The editor, Jonathan Weisman, works in the *Times* Washington bureau with the title “deputy Washington editor” and is the author of the 2018 book (*Semitism*): *Being Jewish in the Age Of Trump*.

Politico, *Talking Points Memo*, and *Yashar Ali* all report a *Times* spokesperson saying, “Jonathan has repeatedly displayed poor judgment on social media and in responding to criticism. We’re closely examining what to do about it.”

Weisman’s two most recent Twitter offenses relate to African-Americans. On July 31, he tweeted that Rep. John Lewis, who represents Georgia’s fifth congressional district, including parts of Atlanta and its suburbs, doesn’t represent the “Deep South.” After a backlash, he deleted the tweet, explaining, “Earlier this morning I tried to make a point about regional differences in politics between urban and rural areas. I deleted the tweets because I realize I did not adequately make my point.”

Then, on August 7, he tweeted about a Democratic congressional primary in Ohio. He mentioned that the incumbent

congresswoman there is African-American, but did not mention that the challenger is also African-American. When the challenger pointed that out, he replied that the endorsement he had mentioned included a photo.

The Root, a website about black issues, commented, “this is what white supremacy looks like.” (Though it did concede, “No one here thinks that Jonathan Weisman hates Muslims or black people and would like to kick them out of his country.”)

A *Times* op-ed page contributor, Roxane Gay, mocked Weisman. “Any time you think you’re unqualified for a job remember that this guy, telling a black woman she isn’t black because he looked at a picture and can’t see, has one of the most prestigious jobs in America.” Then she tweeted, “Guys Jonathan Weisman emailed me to say he thinks I owe him an ‘enormous apology.’ The audacity and entitlement of white men is ... incredible.”

Weisman declined to comment about

the situation to *The Algemeiner*. Longtime *Algemeiner* readers, however, won’t necessarily be surprised to see Weisman’s name surface in connection with “poor judgment.”

In 2018, we reported that several Jewish leaders and other journalists described a Weisman op-ed in the *Times* as “weird,” “odd,” “partisan,” or “inane.” The op-ed criticized Jewish organizations for supposedly having failed to speak out against antisemitism.

In 2015, Weisman claimed responsibility for a *New York Times* chart that labeled Jewish senators and congressmen opposed to the Iran deal in the color yellow. He advised Jews upset about it to “chill out.”

The *Times* later published an “editor’s note” undercutting Weisman. It conceded, “Many readers and commenters on social media found that aspect of the chart insensitive. *Times* editors agreed and decided to revise it to remove the column specifying which opponents were Jewish.”

Weisman also claimed responsibility for having edited a front-page *Times* article in September 2018 about how the federal Education Department was handling an antisemitism case at Rutgers University. That article had significant flaws, but Weisman defended it “100%.”

Ira Stoll was managing editor of The Forward and North American editor of The Jerusalem Post.



The New York Times logo. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

World News.

Arab Countries Blast Israel Over Tisha B'Av Temple Mount Clashes

BY JNS.org

Voices from across the Arab and Muslim world expressed outrage Sunday in the wake of violent clashes between Muslim worshippers and Israeli security forces on Temple Mount in Jerusalem on Tisha B'Av, which this year fell on the first day of the Muslim holiday of Eid al-Adha.

Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad Zarif took to Twitter Sunday with a picture of Israeli police pushing back against Muslim women, writing, "The crime shown in this photo was but one perpetrated on Al-Aqsa this morning—on our holy day. The same terrorists are hoping to impose #HumiliationoftheCentury on Palestinians."

He added that "we Muslims have the power to end this tyranny, but only if we unite."

A Saudi Foreign Ministry source told the Saudi Press Agency that the kingdom called "on the international community to protect the Palestinian people from various Israeli aggressive practices that provoke the feelings of Muslims and violate the rights of the Palestinian brethren," according to a report in *The Times of Israel*.

Qatar also called on the international community to halt "Israeli aggressions."

Israeli police were forced to use riot control tactics Sunday to push back thousands of Muslim worshippers who were on the Temple Mount to celebrate Eid al-Adha but who became violent as hundreds of Jews assembled below, outside the Western Wall Plaza, waiting for a turn to visit the site in honor of the Jewish fast day of Tisha B'Av.

Rioters threw rocks, chairs and other objects at Jews and police during the unrest.

Though the Temple Mount was initially closed off to Jews due to the threat of Muslim violence, sparking condemnation from the Israeli right, police ultimately quelled the riots and pushed the crowds back a sufficient distance to enable Jews to safely enter for brief visits.

According to Israel's peace treaty with Jordan, the Hashemite kingdom serves as

custodian of the Temple Mount via the Jordanian Islamic Wakf. The Wakf urged Muslims to converge on the Temple Mount Sunday morning and to tarry as long as possible to ensure that Jews not be allowed access during their holy day.

Arabic announcements to that effect were broadcast over megaphones and loudspeakers, calling on the Muslims to prevent Jewish entry.

Notwithstanding the Wakf's role in encouraging the riots, Jordanian Foreign Minister Ayman Safadi tweeted on Sunday that Jordan "completely condemn Israel's violations of the blessed Al-Aqsa mosque."

"The occupation authorities' absurd actions and attempts to change the status quo in occupied Jerusalem will only lead to the conflict being exacerbated and the situation blowing up, threatening international peace and security," he said.

According to Jordanian Foreign Ministry Spokesman Sufian Qudah, Amman had sent a letter of protest to Jerusalem demanding that Israel "respect the sanctity of the mosque and the feelings of the worshipers" at Al-Aqsa. Jordan "completely rejects these absurd practices and irresponsible provocations," said Qudah.

Palestinian Authority leader Mahmoud Abbas' spokesman Nabil Abu Rudeineh said on Sunday that "we hold the Israeli government responsible for storming the Al-Aqsa mosque," calling it "a major provocation." The PA, he said, "Warn[s] the Israeli government against allowing settlers to carry out these crimes."

The Palestinian Islamic Jihad terror organization said Israel was trying to "gain control" of the Al-Aqsa mosque and called for retribution against the Jewish state.

"Israel is trying to gain full control over the Al-Aqsa mosque and therefore will bear the consequences" of its actions, the organization said in a statement. "The continuation of the crimes of the occupier in Jerusalem, Gaza and other parts of Palestine necessitates a firm national stance and escalation of the conflict."

co-signed a letter with nine other sociologists stating that "we oppose the proposed 'Resolution on BDS' that seeks an academic and cultural boycott of Israel, including but not limited to ending study abroad programs, exchanges, and collaborative projects with Israeli universities, not recognizing, exhibiting, presenting, or showcasing films, literary works, or other products of Israeli cultural institutions, and ending academic activities and projects that 'bring together Palestinians/Arabs and Israelis' without preconditions.

Back in April, Williams, one of the sponsors of the BDS resolution, retweeted a video titled, "Don't drink the blood of the Palestinians," which recalled medieval blood libels.

The SSSP's resolution to impose an academic boycott of Israel prompted Chad Alan Goldberg, a professor of sociology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and winner of the SSSP's Outstanding Book Award in 2010 for his *Citizens and Paupers: Relief, Rights, and Race*, from the Freedmen's Bureau to Workfare, to organize a campaign opposing the resolution.

By the end of July, Goldberg had gotten 17 former SSSP officers, editors and award-winners to sign a letter stating, "We oppose all academic boycotts, including the proposal for an SSSP-imposed boycott against Israeli academic institutions."

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movement against Israel is an ugly campaign that stands in opposition to social justice."

Posting on Facebook, Temko said: "It opposes study abroad programs, Israel's membership in FIFA, and even dialogue and peace-building efforts that bring Israelis and Palestinians together without preconditions. It stands in opposition to a constructive agenda that moves forward towards peace and dignity for Israelis and Palestinians as well as in opposition to a two-state solution. I am glad that SSSP remains committed to being an inclusive and nondiscriminatory progressive space for critical scholarship and action."

Temko wrote in a follow-up email to *The Algemeiner* that he remained "concerned that some people who are well-intentioned and committed to social justice uncritically support BDS, so I am certainly disappointed that it had the support that it did."

However, he also noted that given that the SSSP has some 2,000 members, "only a small portion were voting on the resolution." Temko also observed that many SSSP members only learned about the resolution when they arrived at the conference and that more were never made aware of the vote. Still, there were others, he noted, "who opposed the resolution that were not in the room and did not vote by proxy either."

Ahead of the conference, Temko

IDF Maps Homes of Terrorists Who Killed Yeshiva Student for Demolition



An IDF soldier maps a terrorist's home for demolition. Photo: IDF Spokesperson's Office.

BY BENJAMIN KERSTEIN

The IDF is mapping out for demolition the homes of the two terrorists who murdered a yeshiva student in the West Bank last week.

Dvir Sorek, a student from the settlement of Ofra, was found Wednesday night stabbed to death by the side of a road near the settlement of Migdal Oz.

IDF soldiers traced his killers to Beit Kahil, a Palestinian town near Hebron, where they resided, and arrested them on Saturday night.

According to Israeli news site *Walla*, the terrorists' homes in Beit Kahil are being mapped in anticipation of a demolition order

that has yet to be given.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Monday pledged that he would give the order to demolish the homes "soon."

Sorek's father, Yoav, said of the IDF operation, "We thank the security forces for the quick action to apprehend the terrorists, although we are sorry that they were caught alive."

"We are glad that Dvir never saw the faces of his killers," he added. "And we also will endeavor not to see them, not now and not at the trial."

He praised the security forces for their anti-terror actions and said the family seeks to "strengthen their hands in this difficult task."

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Assaults

information on Monday's attacks to come forward.

The string of assaults in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn came on the heels of what is being treated as an antisemitic assault on Friday night in Crown Heights for which one man was arrested and charged with a hate crime.

According to NBC 4, Kenya Dean reportedly started arguing with a 26-year-old Chassidic man about 7 PM on Friday. Subsequently, Dean broke a glass bottle, made antisemitic remarks, and sprayed an unknown substance on the victim, causing him pain.

Dean was also accused of striking a 62-year-old witness to the attack, causing minor injuries.

The police charged Dean with harassment, hate-crime assault, and criminal possession of a weapon.

The Anti-Defamation League issued a statement on Monday praising the NYPD for "swiftly apprehending" the suspect in the two Friday night assaults.

The statement noted that "in 2018, ADL recorded a 55% increase in anti-Semitic

assaults in New York, relative to 2017."

"We are deeply disturbed by this alleged anti-Semitic assault in Brooklyn Friday evening," said Evan R. Bernstein, ADL NY/NJ Regional Director. "The severity of this incident, which involved hurling anti-Semitic insults and subsequently attacking worshippers with pepper spray and a stick as they were getting ready for Shabbat, is deeply shocking. We are grateful for the swift action by NYPD in apprehending the individual allegedly responsible for this attack. This assault underscores the urgent need for communities in Brooklyn to come together and stop these profoundly troubling hate incidents from happening in our city."

Rabbi Eli Cohen, executive director of The Crown Heights Jewish Community Council (CHJCC), told *The Algemeiner* that his organization was "very appreciative to the volunteer Shemirah patrol and the NYPD for acting swiftly and apprehending the suspect" in Friday night's assault.

"We are also encouraged that the suspect was immediately charged with assault as a hate crime and, as a result, will face more serious punishment if convicted," Rabbi Cohen added.

The letter further asserted that by adopting the resolution, the SSSP would be "sponsoring an inequitable and discriminatory policy" that violates its own by-laws.

The boycott would restrict the freedom that is "essential" to association members, without which they "cannot fulfill their professional responsibilities," it adds.

The letter concluded, "To deny these

freedoms to one group of scholars on the grounds that others are deprived of them is logically inconsistent and morally indefensible. We believe these fundamental principles must be upheld for scholars of every nationality, at every academic institution, everywhere in the world."

The co-sponsors of the BDS resolution did not respond to *The Algemeiner's* request for comment.

World News.



Sabri al-Banna — aka Palestinian terrorist leader Abu Nidal — pictured in Beirut in 1982. Photo: Reuters/File.

French Jews Demand Investigation Into Alleged 'Non-Aggression' Pact With Palestinian Terror Group Following 1982 Massacre at Paris Kosher Restaurant

BY BEN COHEN

France's representative Jewish organization on Monday demanded a parliamentary investigation into last week's revelations by a former French intelligence chief that the country's security services agreed a secret non-aggression pact with a Palestinian terrorist group.

In a statement, Francis Kalifat — president of French Jewish organization CRIF — declared that if the revelations turned out to be true, "it would constitute an unprecedented state scandal."

Last week, the newspaper *Le Parisien* reported that the former head of French intelligence, Yves Bonnet, had admitted to making a secret pact with the Abu Nidal terrorist organization, guaranteeing its operatives free movement within France in exchange for a promise of no further attacks on French soil.

According to *Le Parisien*, Bonnet made his sensational confession in January this year to the magistrate in charge of investigating the Aug. 9, 1982 attack by Abu Nidal terrorists on "Chez Jo Goldenberg," a busy kosher restaurant on the rue des Rosiers in Paris. Six people were murdered and 22 wounded in the atrocity, for which no person has yet been convicted.

Kalifat said that Bonnet's claims warranted "the establishment of a parliamentary committee of inquiry and the lifting of defense secrecy" around the investigation into the rue des Rosiers attack and its aftermath.

According to *Le Parisien*, the pact was allegedly reached during a clandestine meeting shortly after the rue des Rosiers attack between Bonnet and representatives of the Abu Nidal group — not the terrorists who executed the massacre, he claimed, but individuals he described as their "stooges."

"We made a kind of verbal deal in which I said, 'I don't want any more attacks on French soil and in return I'll let you come to France and I guarantee nothing will happen to you,'" the paper quoted Bonnet — a former head of the DST, the French intelligence service — as having said. The paper added that other senior French officials, including the chief of staff of then President François Mitterand, were aware of the pact with the Abu Nidal Organization — a now-extinct Palestinian terrorist organization that was supported at different times by Iraq, Syria and Libya. Along with the attack on the rue des Rosiers, the group's atrocities also included the Sept. 1986 shooting at the Neve Shalom synagogue in Istanbul, Turkey, that killed 22 worshippers, and the December 1985 simultaneous attacks on US and Israeli airport counters in Rome and Vienna, which killed 18 people and injured 111.

CRIF president Kalifat stated that his organization was also calling on President Emmanuel Macron "to do everything possible at the diplomatic and judicial level to ensure that the terrorists responsible for this massacre, who have taken refuge in Jordan, the West Bank and Norway, will face French justice."

Facebook COO Sheryl Sandberg Arrives in Israel, Meets With Israeli President Rivlin

BY OMER KABIR/CTech

Facebook's Chief Operating Officer

Sheryl Sandberg, who is on a visit to Israel, met with Israeli President Reuven Rivlin on Monday. Sandberg presented the president

Stalwart Pro-Israel Politician Wins Comfortable Victory in Guatemalan Presidential Election

BY BENJAMIN KERSTEIN

A prominent Guatemalan supporter of Israel who once said, "He who is Israel's enemy is Guatemala's enemy," won the country's presidential election with 58.5 percent of the vote, results on Monday confirmed.

Conservative candidate Alejandro Giammattei emerged victorious in the vote in the second round of elections on Sunday, beating his rival Sandra Torres, a former first lady.

The president-elect is a noted supporter of Israel in Latin America. He has pledged to keep Guatemala's embassy in Jerusalem and expressed his opposition to Iran's proxy terrorist group Hezbollah, which operates extensively in the region.

He said in a campaign interview that he wanted Guatemala to emulate "the great successes that Israel has had, especially in such important issues as food production, in order to make our lands more productive."

"This cooperation is urgent for our

country," he added.

"With regard to the embassy in Jerusalem, there we leave it, by faith and conviction, and there it will stay," he said. Guatemala opened its embassy in the Israeli capital in May 2018, two days after the US did the same.

Asked about his stance on Hezbollah, Giammattei stated, "The designation of Hezbollah as a terrorist group, under Guatemalan law, does not depend solely on the President, but has to be ratified by the Congress of the Republic, but I am willing to do it."

"He who is Israel's enemy is Guatemala's enemy," he added.

Speaking to Reuters news agency shortly before being declared victor, Giammattei said he wanted to see what could be done to improve the deal that outgoing President Jimmy Morales agreed to stem U.S.-bound migration from Central America — a key issue during the election. Three million Guatemalans live and work in the United States, which is also the country's main trading partner.

Poster of Anne Frank Defaced With Swastika in Melbourne, Australia

BY BENJAMIN KERSTEIN

A poster bearing the image of Anne Frank — the Dutch Jewish girl whose Holocaust diary was published after her death in the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp — was defaced with a swastika on Friday night in the Australian city of Melbourne.

The poster was an advertisement for a dramatization of Anne Frank's diary performed by the Peridot Theatre Company. It was defaced with a swastika painted in red, as well as the word "@LEROY."

The theater posted a message on its Facebook page saying, "Upset, angry, disgusted. Some lowlife has sprayed a swastika on the board advertising our production of 'The Diary of Anne Frank.' This action is sickening."

Quoting Anne Frank's diary, the theater added, "I keep my ideals, because in spite of everything I still believe that people are really good at heart. We are honored to tell Anne's

story. We say NO to hate."

A second post stated, "The despicable vandalism just underlines the fact that stories such as Anne Frank's still need telling. Today's matinee was virtually sold out and the audience was hugely complimentary."

President of the theater company Alison Knight said, "The director and cast were left very distressed at the incident, they have worked hard to bring Anne's story to life."

"A Jewish lady has been advising the cast on matters of religion and culture," she added. "We believe that Anne's story needs to be told, and we will continue telling it with even more purpose."

"We are upset at the incident," she said, "but have been buoyed by the support of friends in the theatre community and beyond."

"I reported the incident to the police," Knight noted, "they are actively investigating it, especially as there seems to be a rise in the number of antisemitic incidents in Melbourne."

with a signed copy of her book *Option B*, the Israeli Government Press Office said in a statement.

"I admire him for standing up for diversity and kindness across the country," Sandberg wrote on her Facebook page.

On Wednesday, Sandberg will hold an open-to-the-public event in Tel Aviv dedicated to the launch of the local office of her organization, Lean In, which is focused on promoting gender equality in the workforce. At the event, Sandberg will be speaking to Rachel Ben Shoshe, who heads Lean In's Israel office.

Also on Wednesday, Sandberg is set to inaugurate Playground, Facebook's new space in Tel Aviv. Playground will host activities and events for the local tech industry, as well as



Sheryl Sandberg, Chief Operating Officer, Facebook. Photo: wiki commons.

a program for mid-stage startups that have already raised funds and proven that there is demand for their products, the company said in a statement.

Sandberg joined Facebook in 2008 after working for Google and the US Department of the Treasury.

U.S. News.

Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez Refuses to Apologize for Comparing US Border Detention Facilities to Nazi Concentration Camps

BY BENJAMIN KERSTEIN

Freshman Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY) pointedly refused to apologize or express regret for her comparison of US border detention facilities to the Nazi concentration camps.

Rep. Ocasio-Cortez made the comparison in a video posted online in June.

"I don't regret it at all," she told ABC News in an interview on Friday. "A group, in fact of, I think 200, at least 200, historians, rabbis, academics have come together in support of this term."

She did not specify which group this referred to or who its members are.

Ocasio-Cortez also reiterated her comparison, saying, "I've seen it. I've sat on concrete floors with woman whose hair was falling out and they're developing sores in their mouth."

"Parents are dying with their children watching them and all without a trial, all with just an accusation, and all with the intent to dehumanize," she added.

She said accusations of antisemitism against her for her statement, which many saw as minimizing the Holocaust, were "ahistorical."

Cortez's original remarks, "The US is running concentration camps on our southern border, and that is exactly what they are," were almost universally condemned by Jewish advocacy groups.

Jonathan Greenblatt, CEO of the Anti-Defamation League, directed Ocasio-Cortez to a 2018 statement saying, "People need to be extremely careful in drawing comparisons to the Holocaust and the Nazi regime in whatever context it is used."

Top officials from the Jewish Community Relations Council of New York tweeted an open letter to Ocasio-Cortez, saying they were "deeply disturbed by the language" she used.

"The terms 'Concentration Camp' and 'Never Again' are synonymous with and evocative of the atrocities committed by

Secure Doors Installed at Brooklyn Jewish Girl School

BY BENJAMIN KERSTEIN

A Brooklyn girl's school is the first in New York City to install special security doors in the wake of a series of mass shootings, including two targeting synagogues.

According to The New York Post, the Bnos Menachem elementary school began the installation last week. The doors weigh 150 pounds and are braced by metal bars. They are made of galvanized steel and can be manually locked from the inside with the turn of a thumb.

Harrington Park, New Jersey School Superintendent Adam Fried, whose schools have installed more than 45 of the doors, said that the thumb lock is particularly important, since "a five-year-old could do it."

A mother whose daughter attends Bnos Menachem told the Post she was happy with the new security precautions, saying, "I think it's great. It's a very secure feeling to know that there's a security measure and that they're really thinking about the safety of the children."

The doors are made and installed by an Israeli company, Remo Security Doors, whose president Omar Barnes said the doors contain bullet-resistant windows. "No weapon will open the door," he affirmed.

"I was born and raised in Israel. When I hear the siren and go to the safe room, I know that I'm safe, physically and mentally," he added.

The doors are the first of 90 that Bnos Menachem plans to install, and more than 50 Jewish schools and synagogues are planning to follow suit. The measures are being funded by a \$150,000 grant from the Department of Homeland Security.

Adolf Hitler's Nazi Germany," the letter penned by President Charles S. Temel, President-Elect Cheryl Fishbein, and Executive Vice President and CEO Michael S. Miller asserted.

"As concerned as we are about the conditions experienced by migrants seeking asylum in the United States ... the regrettable use of Holocaust terminology to describe these contemporary concerns diminishes the evil intent of the Nazis to eradicate the Jewish people," the authors stated.

Noting that New York City had the largest community of Holocaust survivors in the world, the officials said, "We would be pleased to work with you to arrange a visit to a concentration camp, a local Holocaust Museum, hear the stories of local survivors, or participate in other education opportunities in the hopes of a better understanding of the horrors of the Holocaust."

"Until that time, we urge you to


refrain from using terminology evocative of the Holocaust to voice concerns about contemporary political issues," they concluded.

Ocasio-Cortez later refused an invitation from 93-year-old Holocaust survivor Edward Mosberg to tour the remains of the Auschwitz death camp.

Rabbi Abraham Cooper of the Simon Wiesenthal Center attacked Ocasio-Cortez's comparison as well, saying, "She is insulting victims of genocide."


The Republican Jewish Coalition also criticized Ocasio-Cortez, saying, "Six million Jews were killed in the Holocaust. It is disgraceful for Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez to compare our nation's immigration policies to the horrors carried out by the Nazis. We would hope that Rep. Ocasio-Cortez knows better, but sadly she does not."

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Opinion.

The Angry American Male

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My mother, who lives in Miami, was telling me how friends of hers now say long goodbyes to family members when they go out shopping. They simply don't know if they will be gunned down at Walmart.

America is fast becoming one of the most dangerous nations on earth. Take your pick. Any one of the following can get you shot and killed. Going to school. Visiting a nightclub. Buying Skittles. Walking through a shopping mall. Driving down the highway. Praying at synagogue or church.

The debate that is ensuing in the wake of the massacres in El Paso and Dayton is whether, according to the Republicans, violent video games and mental health are to blame, or, according to the Democrats, America's lax gun laws and military-style assault weapons.

What no one seems focused on is American rage. Why are so many Americans, mostly men, so filled with anger? What level of insane rage is leading them to such violent crime? Nearly all these shootings are being perpetrated by men.

The American male is fast becoming broken and enraged. He's at fever pitch. Not all, of course, are shooters. But in his brokenness, even the much healthier men are compromising their marriages and crippling their children. Immersed in a culture that is obsessed with success through competition and defines success as the possession of things, the American male is trained to forever feel like a failure. Rather than peering inside himself to discover his own unique gifts, he is looking ahead to see who has surpassed him, and behind to see who is catching up.

Look at the horrific spectacle of Jeffrey Epstein, who killed himself last Saturday morning. From the outside he appeared

the quintessential American success story. His own private plane. His own private townhouse. His own private island. Only once you peered beneath the hood did you find the horrors of women being treated as part of his possessions, with all the abuse that entailed.

The modern American male is caught in the grip of an increasingly material culture that does not value his heart but his hands, not his convictions but his earning power, not his capacity to love but his capacity to produce.

Many a man is a muddle of broken dreams. He lives in a society resembling not a circle, in which all are treated more or less as equals, but a triangle, in which only a very few are perched at the top and the overwhelming majority are made to feel that they are various stations of the bottom.

The American male is painfully aware that the recognition and respect of his peers will not come from helping his kids do homework or remaining faithful to his wife. All around him, the culture glorifies men who have built businesses even as they have abandoned spouses for younger models, quite literally. Treating his co-workers with dignity won't help him on to the Forbes 400 list. Reading his children a bedtime story won't get him an invitation to the White House or the Halls of Congress. Rather, money brings prestige and power brings respect.

Since he has little of each, the angry American male looks at himself as the inferior of men who may be far less moral. His children do not make him feel heroic and his wife struggles but fails to massage his macerated ego. Studies show that the number one reason men have affairs is ego, not sex. They want to feel desirable. But why can't their wives make them feel that way? Simple. The man who sees himself as a big zero looks at the woman dumb enough to marry him as an even bigger loser than he is.

In his distress and feelings of failure, he turns to various forms of escape, designed to either make him feel better about himself or numb his pain. Becoming a sports fanatic allows him to live vicariously through his favorite team. By becoming a workaholic he convinces himself

that one more hour at the office will make him a success. The attentions of other women make him feel special. Alcohol numbs his heart even as it poisons his soul. And pornography, which is becoming an addiction for so many American men, allows him to experience a similar numbness, the non-feeling of emotionlessness, which is the real reason that so many men masturbate, for the deadness that follows orgasm. He wishes not to feel because when he does feel, all he feels is pain.

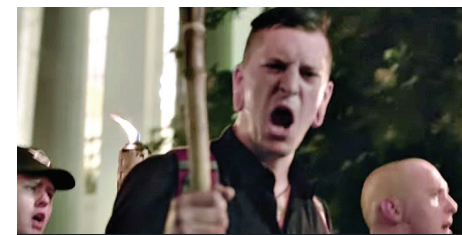
He comes home a shell of a man, a defeated creature whose modest surroundings reinforce the feeling of failure. Because he doesn't love himself, he cannot fully love his wife. His marriage is reduced to a series of meaningless and monotonous gestures, coldly functional, bereft of warmth or intimacy. The compliments his wife offers him bounce off. Since he doesn't believe in himself, he treats her comfort as patronizing. Later he will complain that his wife does not lift him up when he is down, even as he has pushed her away on countless occasions when she has sought to offer comfort. He wants sex with his wife, not because he loves sex, but because it relieves him of tension and helps him fall asleep. And in his lifelessness he further alienates the wife who feels used and discarded.

Bereft of inspiration, he fails to inspire his children. He does not parent them so much as admonish them. So they are reduced to searching for substitute heroes, from sports figures to celebrities to rock stars. The company of their friends soon becomes far more satisfying than that of their father, further compounding his feelings of isolation and bitterness.

And some men become overwhelmed with the anger until it becomes rage. Why are they failures? Because immigrants stole their jobs. Why aren't they employed? Because of a boss who abused them and co-workers who disrespected them.

The rage is funneling down all the way down to our children who both bully and get bullied at school. Some come back with guns in order to even the score.

My God, my God! What will we do with

Neo-Nazis marching in Charlottesville.
Photo: Screenshot

all this rage?

And the tragedy of it all is that the vast majority of American men who don't own the multi-million dollar penthouse or have the corner office are still heroes. They work their guts out to feed their children. They do their best to be romantic and make their wives feel beautiful. They give their hard-earned money to complete strangers in charitable gifts. So if they're heroes, why don't they see it? Because real fake news of our time is the fact the media only elevates men of wealth, position, and power, making the rest of us feel invisible.

These are the consequences of the current epidemic of soullessness in America, an epidemic so widespread that the greatest heroes of all — American soldiers who risk life and limb in foreign wars — have one of the highest rates of depression, suicide, and spousal abuse. It is said that this is because of the horrors of war, and no doubt PTSD plays a significant role. But another reason is that we pay only lip service to them as heroes. They come home after long deployments to small houses, piles of bills, and a culture that quickly forgets them while worshiping the man who can throw a ball through a hoop or run a hedge fund.

America must begin to address the pandemic of anger that is now becoming so violent. We have to fix our broken men and address the soullessness that leads too many to nurse imaginary grievances and a feeling of disconnectedness from one's fellow. We have to stop treating money as a commodity with which we purchase self-esteem. And we have to start respecting women and the nurturers in our midst so that we create a society which is softer, gentler, and more loving.

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Israel Is Not an 'Apartheid' State — Here's the Proof

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Since the claim that Israel is an apartheid state was broadcast in 2001 in Durban, South Africa — the land where I was born and raised — pro-BDS scholars have purposefully misused the word to describe Israeli society. As a result, we are seeing growing numbers of professors and policymakers who have been subjected to this educational malpractice, and who are now influencing the next generation with these lies about the Jewish state.

In an effort to stop the proliferation of the "Israeli apartheid" myth, here are some corrective facts:

1. Two million Palestinians are citizens of Israel, with full rights as citizens. There are Palestinians in the Knesset and on Israel's Supreme Court. Palestinian and

Jewish professors work side by side in Israeli universities, and doctors and nurses work in integrated settings in Israel's hospitals, including the world-famous Hadassah Hospital. The same is true of every business and profession in Israel.

2. Most Palestinians living in the disputed territories do not wish to become Israeli citizens.

According to a 2017 poll by The Washington Institute, there has been a dramatic drop in the proportion of Palestinians in East Jerusalem who say they would choose Israeli citizenship over Palestinian citizenship. Furthermore, many Palestinians do not want their own state alongside Israel, but an independent state that includes the land comprising present-day Israel.

Dr. Khalil Shikaki, Director of the Palestinian Center for Policy and Survey Research in Ramallah, reports that Palestinian support for a two-state solution is at its lowest since the Oslo Accords in 1993, with only 43 percent of Palestinians living in the West Bank endorsing the idea, and violence against Israel being viewed as appropriate by more and

more younger Palestinians.

Indeed, based on data gathered by Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, "Since September 2015, Israel has experienced a wave of terror perpetrated by individuals, many of them very young." The Ministry cites 76 Israelis killed and 1,187 wounded by Palestinian terrorists since September 2015 in stabbings, shootings, and vehicular attacks.

3. BDS proponents describe the checkpoints and the wall/fence dividing the West Bank from Israel as an "apartheid wall." However, unlike the apartheid era Group Areas Act, which kept black South Africans separate from white citizens as a means of oppressing them, the wall/fence was not built to serve as a structure of oppression.

Instead, it was created as an act of self-defense and containment against Palestinian terrorism. Israel constructed the barrier only after several years of suicide and mass murder bombings killed more than 1,000 Israelis in restaurants, hotels, teenage nightclubs, and synagogues. The structure has succeeded in reducing the number of mass murders of Israeli civilians by approximately 96 percent.

4. Despite their fear and understandable bitterness toward Palestinians — many of whom wish to see them destroyed — most Israelis continue to seek ways to ease the suffering of Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza. For example, tens of thousands of Palestinians from Gaza and the West Bank

receive medical treatment in Israeli hospitals each year. In most cases, they are cancer or heart patients, and often, they are children.

To help facilitate their medical treatment, more than 1,000 Israeli volunteers transport patients and their family members from border checkpoints in Gaza and the West Bank to Israeli hospitals. Israel also helps Palestinians with basic needs, such as electricity and water.

5. Israel provides its Palestinian citizens with freedom of speech and freedom of movement. Whereas black South African students were shot in the streets of Soweto, and Hamas and the Palestinian Authority (PA) arrest Palestinian students for speaking out, Palestinians in Israel can peacefully protest against the government without fear of violent reprisal or other punishment.

And, as in all democracies, real incidents of discrimination can be challenged effectively in the courts. For example, in 2013, when Palestinians from the village of Burka petitioned the courts to reclaim land they had lost to Israeli settlers in the West Bank, the courts ruled in their favor.

6. In South Africa, blacks, whites, and all other designated racial groups were forced to live in assigned segregated areas. In Israel, residential segregation is a result of language, culture, religion, and economic and educational disparities between Jews

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and Arabs — not a reflection of the law. In fact, over the last two decades, there has been an increase in “mixed” cities, which, based on the definition established by the Israeli Central Bureau of Statistics, is one where at least 10 percent of the residents identify as Arabs. In Beersheva, the population of Arabs is 15 percent. Other cities considered mixed include Haifa and Jaffa.

7. Unlike in South Africa, where black children were confined to segregated schooling that ensured their continued subjugation under apartheid, there are schools in Israel that serve both Arab and Jewish children. However, most schools serve either one group or the other, because most Arab Israelis choose for their children to learn in Arabic and within an environment reflecting their culture at home. As a result, universities across Israel offer Hebrew instruction for first year Palestinian students to help them prepare for their coursework in Hebrew — one of several initiatives implemented in recent years to help enroll larger percentages of Arab students in these institutions.

8. Whereas South African apartheid laws were designed to oppress black South Africans and prevent their social upward mobility by

ensuring that only a tiny percentage of blacks attended low quality “tribal” universities, one can find numerous examples and educational initiatives in Israel aimed at improving opportunities for Arab Israelis.

For example, before the State of Israel was established in 1948, only 25 percent of the Arab population of Palestine was literate. As of today, the vast majority of the Arab population is literate. Another major improvement in the lives of Palestinians has occurred since 1967, involving the creation of large public universities in areas controlled by the PA.

Twenty-two percent of all medical students in Israel are Palestinian, which is equal to their proportion of Israel's total population, and Palestinians chair academic departments in universities across the country.

People who promote the “apartheid” lie rely heavily on the ignorance of most Americans, who know little about South Africa and remarkably little about Israel. It is time we start changing that by presenting the truth about both countries.

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40 Pro-Israel Democrats Just Visited the Jewish State



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Americans spend a lot of time complaining about Congress. They complain that nothing gets done, and they carp that its members spend too much time playing politics. But whether or not you think that they are a bunch of overpaid and underworked hacks, even members of the House and Senate are entitled to a little time off. And so, every August, the political circus generally leaves Washington and heads elsewhere.

Where does everyone go? For a great many members of the House, the answer is Israel. And that speaks volumes about how, despite the problems faced by the pro-Israel community, the alliance between the United States and the Jewish state remains rock-solid.

This week, some 41 House Democrats led by House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer (D-MD) were in the country demonstrating solidarity with the Jewish state. Another 30 Republicans led by House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA) are following them, with the two delegations holding a joint press conference at the beginning of next week. That means approximately 16 percent of the House will spend part of their summer vacation in Israel — touring and, hopefully, learning a thing or two about the conflict, history, geography, and culture of America's sole democratic ally in the Middle East.

These trips are being sponsored by the American Israel Education Foundation, which is affiliated with AIPAC, the pro-Israel lobby. And given the numbers of participants, which is higher than in past years, it must be considered a vote of confidence in the US-Israel alliance.

This is significant at a time when opposition to Israel from some within the Democratic Party has gotten louder, primarily

due to the presence of two supporters of the antisemitic BDS movement in the House: Reps. Ilhan Omar (D-MN) and Rashida Tlaib (D-MI). Though it's not clear if any of their colleagues will join them, the two are planning on leading their own trip to the region later this month, which is likely to be a propaganda triumph for Israel's enemies, and unfortunately, will most likely get far more attention than the far larger mainstream Democratic and Republican delegations.

That's a shame, but it's also understandable. Members of Congress going to Israel to express support for the Jewish state is such a mainstream and ordinary thing that it isn't considered newsworthy. By contrast, Omar's and Tlaib's efforts to trumpet the sentiments shared by a growing percentage of the left wing of the Democratic Party may not represent the views of most Americans, but does play into a narrative of intersectional hate against Israel that will factor into next year's presidential election.

So while those who point to the enormous disparity between the numbers of members of Congress who spent their summer vacations expressing support for Israel and the few who will go there to trash it won't be wrong, there's still plenty of reason to worry about the future.

In the aftermath of last November's election, concern about the possible influence of Omar and Tlaib, and fellow “Squad” member Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (AOC) (D-NY), seemed less significant. The reins of power in the Democrat-controlled House would be in the hands of people who were strong supporters of Israel, like Hoyer and House Foreign Affairs Committee chair Eliot Engel (D-NY).

Yet as we've seen in the last several months, AOC, Omar, and Tlaib have become political rock stars and the toast of the late-night television shows, as well as favored commentators on liberal media. They may be heavily outnumbered in the House on issues like BDS, but they've already shown their ability to face down and roll over Hoyer and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, as when Omar

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not justify out-marriage on the grounds that it will increase the number of Jews. God is not interested in numbers.

Notwithstanding all these interpretations and explanations, Tanach itself offers one extraordinary episode that sheds a different light on the whole issue. It occurs in the seventh chapter of the book of Judges. God has told Gideon to assemble an army and do battle with the Midianites. He gathers a force of 32,000 men. God tells him, “You have too many men. I cannot deliver Midian into their hands, or Israel would boast against Me, ‘My own strength has saved me’” (Judges 7:2).

God tells Gideon to say to the men: Whoever is afraid and wishes to go home may do so. Twenty-two thousand men leave. Ten thousand remain. God tells Gideon, “There are still too many men.” He proposes a new test. Gideon is to take the men to a river and see how they drink the water. Ninety-seven hundred kneel down to drink, and are dismissed. Gideon is left with a mere three hundred men. “With the three hundred men that lapped [the water] I will save you and give the Midianites into your hands,” God tells him (Judges 7:1-8). By a brilliant and unexpected strategy, the three hundred put the entire Midianite army to flight.

The Jewish people are small but have achieved great things to testify in themselves to a force beyond themselves. It has achieved things no other nation its size could have achieved. Its history has been living testimony to the force of Divine Providence and the impact of high ideals. That is what Moses meant when he said: Ask now about the former days, long before your time, from the day God created human beings on the earth; ask from one end of the heavens to the other. Has anything so great as this ever happened, or has anything like it ever been heard of? Has any other people heard the voice of God speaking out of fire, as you have, and lived? Has any god ever tried to take for himself one nation out of another nation, by testings, by signs and wonders, by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, or by great and awesome deeds, like all the things the Lord your God did for you in Egypt before your very eyes? (Deut. 4:32-34)

Israel defies the laws of history because it serves the Author of history. Attached to



House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer.
Photo: Screenshot.

escaped censure by the House over her very vocal antisemitic rhetoric.

As we head into 2020, the next stage of their battle with the party establishment is about to unfold. AOC gained her seat by knocking off Joe Crowley, a member of the House Democratic leadership. But next year, similar challenges by energetic left-wingers in the AOC mold will seek to hand the same fate to strong backers of Israel like Engel, House Judiciary Committee chair Jerry Nadler (D-NY), and House Appropriations Committee chair Nita Lowey (D-NY), as well as others elsewhere in the country.

Moreover, the sympathy that Omar and Tlaib have gotten from their party's grassroots — and the fact that President Donald Trump will be touting his historic support for Israel during next year's campaign — may give an edge to those primary challenges. Even worse, should the Democrats ultimately nominate one of their more left-leaning presidential contenders, their party's platform and the

greatness, it becomes great. Through the Jewish people, God is telling humankind that you do not need to be numerous to be great. Nations are judged not by their size but by their contribution to human heritage. Of this the most compelling proof is that a nation as small as the Jews could produce an ever-renewed flow of prophets, priests, poets, philosophers, sages, saints, halachists, aggadists, codifiers, commentators, rebbes, and rashei yeshivot. It has also yielded some of the world's greatest writers, artists, musicians, filmmakers, academics, intellectuals, doctors, lawyers, businesspeople, and technological innovators. Out of all proportion to their numbers, Jews could and can be found working as lawyers fighting injustice, economists fighting poverty, doctors fighting disease, teachers fighting ignorance, and therapists fighting depression and despair.

You do not need numbers to enlarge the spiritual and moral horizons of humankind. You need other things altogether: a sense of the worth and dignity of the individual, of the power of human possibility to transform the world, of the importance of giving everyone the best education they can have, of making each feel part of a collective responsibility to ameliorate the human condition. Judaism asks of us the willingness to take high ideals and enact them in the real world, unswayed by disappointments and defeats.

This is still evident today, especially among the people of Israel in the State of Israel. Traduced in the media and pilloried by much of the world, Israel continues to produce human miracles in medicine, agriculture, technology, and the arts, as if the word “impossible” did not exist in the Hebrew language. Israel remains a small nation, surrounded, as in biblical times, by “nations larger and stronger than you” (Deut. 7:1). Yet the truth remains, as Moses said: “The Lord did not set His affection on you and choose you because you were more numerous than other peoples, for you are the fewest of all peoples.”

This small people has outlived all the world's great empires to deliver to humanity a message of hope: you need not be large to be great. What you need is to be open to a power greater than yourself. It is said that King Louis XIV of France once asked Blaise Pascal, the brilliant mathematician and theologian, to give him proof of the existence of God. Pascal is said to have replied, “Your Majesty, the Jews!”

tenor of the campaign may wind up being highly critical of the Jewish state, which many on the left tend to think of as an overseas “red state” because of Trump's popularity there.

That means “the Squad” will have many more allies in 2021, and that the number of stalwart, pro-Israel Democratic veterans will shrink.

It should be remembered that Democrats won their House majority not because of the efforts of AOC, Omar, and Tlaib, all of whom won safe Democratic seats, but by electing moderates in swing districts. A significant percentage of those members stand with Hoyer. And while AOC and her pals will be looking to use their celebrity status to help elect more radicals this year, moderate pro-Israel Democrats can and should seek to aid any primary challenges to them in 2020.

For now, Hoyer is right to boast that Democrats like him, who care about Israel, and who — contrary to the smears of some of his party's presidential candidates — don't think Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is a “racist,” vastly outnumber the opposition. But as long as the party's grassroots are trending left and deeply influenced by false intersectional theories about Israel being a manifestation of “white privilege,” the influence of AOC, Omar, and Tlaib is more likely to grow in the coming year than to shrink.

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Impressions.

Why We Must Fight the False Premise of Anti-Israel Boycotts

BY STEVE WENICK

I was gratified by the House's recent approval of an anti-BDS resolution, because it shows broad political support for Israel.

The resolution was obviously intended to denounce the hypocrisy of US Reps. Ilhan Omar (D-MN), Rashida Tlaib (D-MN), and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY) for the scurrilous claim that Israel has enacted "racist policies."

The congresswomen's stated justification for proposing and supporting BDS was to punish Israel for what they claim to be "racist policies." That false premise should have been dismissed out-of-hand. Unfortunately, it was not.

The failure to reject this deceitful premise outright is extremely troubling, because it allows those who are biased against Israel to make the false claim that Israel is a racist and "apartheid" state, when it grants full and complete rights to its Arab citizens.

The fact that Israeli Arabs, Christians, and Muslims are members of the Knesset, the Supreme Court,



A pro-BDS demonstration. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

professors at universities, physicians in hospitals, and participants in virtually every aspect of public and private life, does not register with the "Squad" or those spreading lies about Israel.

Neither does the fact that in most, if not all, Middle East and Muslim-majority countries, Jews are forbidden to hold office, participate in government, teach at universities, or practice their chosen professions. Unfortunately, when people fail to condemn the false premise of "racist policies" in Israel outright, it puts the Squad's salient slur against Israel up for debate — which it should not be.

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Did IfNotNow Pull Off a Stunt at Camp Ramah?

BY ELDER OF ZION

This is from *JTA*:

A Conservative Jewish summer camp is denying that it makes personnel decisions based on politics after a senior staff member claimed she was removed from her position because of her left-wing views on Israel.

Sylvie Rosen, 22, who has served on staff at Camp Ramah in the Rockies for five summers, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that she was removed from her job as a counselor for incoming

her talking to campers about her hatred of Israeli policies is the only reason she was reassigned.

I have news for Rosen: Even if that was the only reason, her refusal to adhere to the camp's philosophy of instilling positive feelings towards Israel is more than enough reason to take her off of counselor duty. Ramah has a specific vision of how campers should learn about Israel and Zionism, and Rosen made her own decision to refuse to adhere to that vision. It is not up to her to teach anti-Zionism to her campers at a Zionist camp, just as it would be inappropriate for her to extol Christianity in a Jewish camp.



IfNotNow supporters at a rally in New York City. Photo: IfNotNow via Facebook.

high school juniors after she clashed with her supervisor over Israel education.

She said she was prohibited from attending future Israel programming and removed from the role in early July after she talked with campers and told them she opposed Israel's West Bank occupation and wanted to include critical perspectives in Israel programming.

Rosen said she had also clashed with her supervisor on other issues unrelated to Israel. She was offered another job at camp that would have lasted the rest of the summer, but chose to become a liaison to parents of younger campers. She left camp when that role ended this week.

The conversation that preceded her removal was initiated by campers, Rosen said. It came the day after the age group took part in a pro-Israel program. Rosen said the campers who approached her were uncomfortable with the program's tone.

"It became clear really early on that my rosh, my supervisor, wanted our campers to form only really positive relationships with Israel, and I was interested in also talking about the occupation and critical views on Israel-Palestine," she said.

Asked if she was intentionally testing Ramah's policy on Israel, she said, "No, I wanted to give my campers the education I think they deserve."

So Rosen admits that she clashed with her "rosh" on many issues, but she is claiming that

This wouldn't really be a big deal except for the fact that *JTA* waited until paragraph 12 to tell us that Rosen is a member of IfNotNow.

Suddenly, this isn't a story about a counselor having a different pedagogical philosophy than her employer. Now this looks far more like a publicity stunt where Rosen is trying to embarrass Ramah the way that IfNotNow tries to shame all Jewish Zionist organizations.

There is a bigger point to be made here, though.

IfNotNow chooses targets that it claims do not teach kids about "occupation." That may or may not be true, but the fact is that Israel's policies can and should be taught to everyone, in an age appropriate manner.

In 2013, I gave a lecture called "Know How to Answer," where I discussed the top 20 anti-Israel arguments, and I serialized it on my blog earlier this year. Difficult topics can be answered, but most Zionists don't know the arguments as well as they should.

Camp Ramah, Birthright leaders, and everyone else should become familiar with what the other side claims and learn how to respond. Don't hide things that appear problematic; be assertive and act with pride rather than as if Israel has something to hide.

Elder of Zion has been blogging about Israel and the Arab world for a really long time now. He also controls the world, but deep down, you already knew that.

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Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC) Name: SIMO INTERIORS LLC. Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York(SSNY) on 04/08/2019. Office location: Kings county. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it maybe Served. SSNY shall Mail copy of the process to:Simo Interiors LLC 4 Downing St. #1A Brooklyn, NY 11238. purpose: all lawful activity. AJ; 8/2/9/16/23

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC) Name: PIXEL CHURCH LLC. Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York (SSNY) on :06/28/2019. Office location: Kings county. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall Mail copy of the process to: Steve Cox 1746 E. 13th Street APT 1E Brooklyn, NY 11229. Purpose: all lawful activity AJ; 8/2/9/16/23

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, Trustee of the SRP 2013-9 Funding Trust, Plaintiff AGAINST Jason Dorset a/k/a Jason H. Dorset; Louisa Dorset; et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated January 25, 2018 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on September 5, 2019 at 2:30PM, premises known as 374 East 96th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11212. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block 4670 Lot 156. Approximate amount of judgment \$206,897.96 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 502684/2015. Jeffrey R Miller, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: July 29, 2019 64743 AJ; 8/2/9/16/23

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS Selene Finance LP, Plaintiff AGAINST Mary Gomes a/k/a Mary A. Gomes a/k/a Maryann Gomes; Dayne Gomes; et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated March 15, 2017 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on September 12, 2019 at 2:30PM, premises known as 133 Milford Street, Brooklyn, NY 11208. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block 4189 Lot 8. Approximate amount of judgment \$446,679.50 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 512354/2015. Doron A. Leiby, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: June 27, 2019 64162 AJ; 8/9/16/23/30

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff AGAINST

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JOSEPH CAMPISI, RYAN SARACO, et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated June 06, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, Room 224, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201, on September 12, 2019 at 2:30PM, premises known as 1934 PROSPECT PLACE, BROOKLYN, NY 11233. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK 1465, LOT 30. Approximate amount of judgment \$524,555.47 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment for Index# 5843/13. EDWARD M. RAPPAPORT, ESQ., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 64182 AJ; 8/9/16/23/30

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, Plaintiff AGAINST SAMONIE LEWIS, ET AL., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated October 31, 2018 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, Room 224, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201, on September 12, 2019 at 2:30PM, premises known as 702 A HALSEY STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11233. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK 1668, LOT 9. Approximate amount of judgment \$792,080.71 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment for Index# 22398/2012. BETTY LUGO, ESQ., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 64429 AJ; 8/9/16/23/30

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS UMB BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS LEGAL TITLE TRUSTEE FOR MART LEGAL TITLE TRUST 2015-NPL1, Plaintiff, Index No.: 006140/2013 Against DANIEL P. JONES, ET AL., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly dated 5/31/2018, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction, in Room 224 of the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201, on 9/12/2019 at 2:30 pm, premises known as 1322 East 70th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11234 and described as follows: ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, and City and State of New York and designated on the tax maps of the Kings County Treasurer as Section 25 Block 8369 Lot 383 The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$771,281.68 plus interest and costs. The Premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale; Index # 006140/2013. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Jageshwarm (Mr.) Sharma, Esq., Referee. Leopold

& Associates, PLLC, 80 Business Park Drive, Suite 110, Armonk, NY 10504 Dated: 7/23/19 YW AJ; 8/9/16/23/30

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK - COUNTY OF KINGS FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, V. PABLO OTERO; ET AL. NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 29, 2019, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Kings, wherein FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA is the Plaintiff and PABLO OTERO; ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the KINGS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 360 ADAMS STREET ROOM 224, BROOKLYN, NY 11201, on September 12, 2019 at 2:30PM, premises known as 631 HENDRIX STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11207: Block 4075, Lot 1: ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON ERECTED, SITUATE, LYING AND BEGIN IN THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, COUNTY OF KINGS, CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 509571/2014. Gregory T. Cerchione, Esq. - Referee. RAS Boriskin, LLC 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff. AJ; 8/9/16/23/30

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT- COUNTY OF KINGS U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR BNC MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-2, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-2, Plaintiff, AGAINST MINERVA A. ALAR AKA MINERVA A. ALAR AKA MINERVA ALAR, et al. Defendant(s) Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly entered on January 14, 2019, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction in Room 224 of the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on September 12, 2019 at 2:30 PM premises known as 137 Glen St, Brooklyn, NY 11208. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York. Section 1, Block 4167 and Lot 49. Approximate amount of judgment \$661,922.99 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment. Index #500792/2014. Steven Z. Naiman, Esq., Referee, Aldridge Pite, LLP - Attorneys for Plaintiff - 40 Marcus Drive, Suite 200, Melville, NY 11747 AJ; 8/9/16/23/30

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC AUCTION Supreme Court of New York, KINGS County. WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, AS TRUSTEE FOR NORMANDY MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2015-1, Plaintiff, -against- SHOSHANA I TRUST; ALEXANDER ROSENBLUM; BERTHA ROSENBLUM; ETHEL ROSENBLUM; MALKA ROSENBLUM, PERL ROSENBLUM; SAUL

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ROSENBLUM; STEVEN BERGER; MARIAN BERGER; ISSAC BERGER; WENDY BERGER; KATIE BERGER; SOLOMON SCHLUSSEL; RAIZE SCHLUSSEL; CHANA SCHLUSSEL; ELIEZET SCHLUSSEL; LEWIS SCHLUSSEL; JOSEPH SCHLUSSEL, Index No. 13171/2010. Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated, July 1, 2019 and entered with the Kings County Clerk on July 10, 2019, Jack Segal, Esq., the Appointed Referee, will sell the premises known as 1462 51st Street, Brooklyn, New York 11219, at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201, on September 12, 2019 at 2:30 P.M. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings and State of New York known as Block: 5657; Lot: 31 will be sold subject to the provisions of filed Judgment, Index No. 13171/2010. The approximate amount of judgment is \$841,206.87 plus interest and costs. FRIEDMAN VARTOLO LLP 85 Broad Street, Suite 501, New York, New York 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff. AJ; 8/9/16/23/30

STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF KINGS NYMT LOAN TRUST 2013-RP1, Plaintiff, vs. PATRICIA CHARLES-GITTENS, LANCE CASSIUS GITTENS, et al, Defendants NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT In pursuance of a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the office of the County Clerk of Kings County on October 17, 2017, I, Yolanda A. Corion, Esq., the Referee named in said Judgment, will sell in one parcel at public auction on September 12, 2019 at Room 224 of the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, County of Kings, State of New York, at 2:30 PM, the premises described as follows: 3316 Clarendon Road Brooklyn, NY 11203 SBL No.: 4950 - 7 ALL THAT TRACT OF PARCEL OF LAND situate in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York The premises are sold subject to the provisions of the filed judgment, Index No. 7009/2014 in the amount of \$381,340.16 plus interest and costs. Brettanie L. Hart Saxton, Esq. Woods Oviatt Gilman LLP Plaintiff's Attorney 500 Bausch & Lomb Place Rochester, New York 14604 Tel.: 855-227-5072 AJ; 8/9/16/23/30

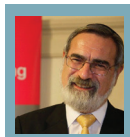
TCB 730 BROADWAY LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/26/2019. Office loc: Kings County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Zaheer A Bukhari, 730 Broadway, Brooklyn, NY 11206. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. AJ; 8/9/16/23/30; 9/6/13

File No. 2015-1342 Probate Citation Surrogate's Court Queens County Citation THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK By the Grace of God Free and Independent TO: Ronald Gist, if living and if dead, to his heirs at law, next of kin and distributes whose names and places of residence are unknown and if he died subsequent to decedent herein, to his executors, administrators, legatees, devisees, assignees and successors in interest whose names and places of residence are unknown, and to all other heirs at law, next of kin and distributes of Emma Gist, decedent herein, whose names and places of residence are

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Tradition.

Why Is The Jewish People So Small?



JONATHAN SACKS
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Near the end of Va'tchanan is a statement with such far-reaching implications that it challenges the impression that has prevailed thus far in the Torah. This remark gives an entirely new complexion to the biblical image of the people Israel: "The Lord did not set His affection on you and choose you because you were more numerous than other peoples, for you are the fewest of all peoples" (Deut. 7:7).

This is not what we have heard thus far. In Genesis, God promised the patriarchs that their descendants would be like the stars of the heaven, the sand on the seashore, the dust of the earth, uncountable. Abraham will be the father, not just of one nation but of many. At the beginning of Exodus we read of how the covenantal family, numbering a mere seventy when they went down to Egypt, were "fertile and prolific, and their population increased. They became so numerous that the land was filled with them" (Ex. 1:7). Three times in the book of Deuteronomy, Moses describes the Israelites as being "as many as the stars of the sky" (1:10; 10:22; 28:62). King Solomon speaks of himself as being part of "the people You have chosen, a great people, too numerous to count or number" (1 Kings 3:8). The prophet Hosea says that "the Israelites will be like the sand on the seashore, which cannot be measured or counted" (Hos. 2:1).

In all these texts and others it is the size, the numerical greatness, of the people that is emphasized. What then are we to make of Moses' words that speak of its smallness? Targum Yonatan interprets it not to be about numbers at all but about self-image. He translates it not as "the fewest of all peoples" but as "the most lowly and humble of peoples." Rashi gives a similar reading, citing Abraham's words, "I am but dust and ashes" (Gen. 18:27), and Moses and Aaron's, "Who are we?" (Ex. 16:7).

Rashbam and Chizkuni give the more straightforward explanation that Moses is contrasting the Israelites with the seven nations they would be fighting in the land of Canaan/Israel. God would lead the Israelites to victory despite the fact that they were outnumbered by the local inhabitants. Rabbeinu Bachya quotes Maimonides, who says that we would have expected God, King of the universe, to have chosen the most numerous nation in the world as His people, since "the glory of the King is in the multitude of people" (Prov. 14:28). God did not do so. Thus Israel should count itself extraordinarily blessed that God chose it, despite its smallness, to be His am segula, His special treasure.

Rabbeinu Bachya finds himself forced to give a more complex reading to resolve the contradiction

of Moses, in Deuteronomy, saying both that Israel is the smallest of peoples and "as many as the stars of the sky" (Gen. 22:17). He turns it into a hypothetical subjunctive, meaning: God would still have chosen you, even if you had been the smallest of the peoples.

Sforno gives a simple and straightforward reading: God did not choose a nation for the sake of His honour. Had He done so He would undoubtedly have chosen a mighty and numerous people. His choice had nothing to do with honour and everything to do with love. He loved the patriarchs for their willingness to heed His voice; therefore He loves their children.

Yet there is something in this verse that resonates throughout much of Jewish history. Historically Jews were and are a small people – today, less than 0.2 per cent of the population of the world. There were two reasons for this. First is the heavy toll taken through the ages by exile and persecution, directly by Jews killed in massacres and pogroms, indirectly by those who converted – in fourteenth- and fifteenth-century Spain and nineteenth-century Europe – in order to avoid persecution (tragically, even conversion did not work; racial antisemitism persisted in both cases). The Jewish population is a mere fraction of what it might have been had there been no Hadrian, no Crusades, and no antisemitism.

The second reason is that Jews did not seek to convert others. Had they done so they would have been closer in numbers to Christianity (2.4 billion) or Islam (1.6 billion). In fact, Malbim reads something like this into our verse. The previous verses have said that the Israelites were about to enter a land with seven nations, Hittites, Girgashites, Amorites, Canaanites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites. Moses warns them against intermarriage with the other nations, not for racial but for religious reasons: "They will turn your children away from following Me to serve other gods" (Deut. 7:4). Malbim interprets our verse as Moses saying to the Israelites: Do

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unknown and cannot, after diligent inquire, be ascertained. /MARK A. Annunziata, G.A.L. A petition having been filed by Margo Arthur, who is domiciled at 111-22 134th Street, South Ozone Park, NY 11420. YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, Queens County at 88-11 Sutphin Blvd, Queens County, Room 62, Jamaica, New York, on September 26, at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why a decree/order should not be made in the Estate of Emma Gist lately domiciled at 111-22 134th Street, in the County of Queens, State of New York, admitting to probate a Will dated September 14, 2004, a copy

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of which is attached, as the Will of Emma Gist, deceased, relating to real and personal property, and directing that: Letters of Testamentary issue to Margo Arthur. Dated, Attested and Sealed July 31, 2019 HON. PETER J. KELLY Surrogate James Lim Becker, Chief Clerk Attorney for Petitioner: Corey A. Washington Esq. Address of Attorney: Washington George PLLC 29-28 41st Avenue LIC NY 11101 Tel. No.: 917-546-6734x201 NOTE: THIS CITATION IS SERVED UPON YOU AS REQUIRED BY LAW, YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO APPEAR. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR IT WILL BE ASSUMED YOU DO NOT OBJECT TO THE RELIEF REQUESTED. YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO HAVE AN ATTORNEY-AT-LAW APPEAR FOR YOU. AJ; 8/9/16/23/30

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC AUCTION Supreme Court of New York, KINGS County. MVMF III FIN TRUST, Plaintiff, -against- JOSEPHINE JEAN PIERRE; PHENICIEN JEAN PIERRE; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR MORTGAGEIT INC.; PRA FUNDING, LLC; CRIMINAL COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; KINGS SUPREME COURT; NEW CENTURY FINANCIAL SERVICES; CAVALRY PORTFOLIO SERVICES, LLC, ASSIGNEE OF CALVARY SPV I LLC, ASSIGNEE OF SPRINT; ARROW FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC; MIDLAND FUNDING NCC-2 CORP; NYC ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD; NYC TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU; NYC DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE PARKING VIOLATION BUREAU; EMMA JEAN PIERRE, Index No. 6953/2009. Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated, January 3, 2017 and entered with the Kings County Clerk on January 26, 2017, Elena K. Makau, Esq., the Appointed Referee, will sell the premises known as 689 East 19th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11230 at public auction in Room 224 at Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201, on September 12, 2019 at 2:30 P.M. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York known as Block: 5240; Lot: 80 will be sold subject to the provisions of filed Judgment, Index No. 6953/2009. The approximate amount of judgment is \$1,476,235.56 plus interest and costs. FRIEDMAN VARTOLO LLP 85 Broad Street, Suite 501, New York, New York 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff. AJ; 8/9/16/23/30

Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC) Name: POP ROW LLC. Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York(SSNY) on 02/27/2019. Office location: Kings county. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall Mail copy of the process to: POP ROW LLC 135 Bay 17 street Apt. 1, Brooklyn, NY 11214 Purpose: All lawful activity AJ; 8/16/23/30; 9/6/13/20

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Plaintiff AGAINST Ernest L. Spence; et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated March 3, 2018 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at

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public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on September 19, 2019 at 2:30PM, premises known as 602 Hegeman Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block 4325 Lot 5. Approximate amount of judgment \$979,521.00 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 508760/2014. Steven Naiman, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: July 9, 2019 AJ; 8/16/23/30; 9/6

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS Wilmington Savings Fund Society, et al, Plaintiff v Kirk Gibson, et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated August 06, 2018, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, Room 224, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201, on September 19, 2019 at 2:30 PM, premises known as 729 Macon Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. All that parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected thereon, being in the County of Kings, City and State of New York, Block 1493, Lot 66. Approximate amount of judgment \$1,065,650.42 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 2427/2008. Aaron Tyk, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 64625 AJ; 8/16/23/30; 9/6

NOTICE OF SALE Supreme Court County Of Kings U.S. Bank NA, successor trustee to Bank of America, NA, successor in interest to LaSalle Bank NA, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Washington Mutual Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, WMALT Series 2006-8, Plaintiff AGAINST Eric D. Garnes, individually and as surviving joint tenant of Delia Curtis, et al, Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 10/10/2018 and entered on 10/18/2018, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on September 19, 2019 at 02:30 PM premises known as 245 E 46th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11203. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 4851, LOT: 40. Approximate amount of judgment is \$780,358.49 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 505910/2015. Steven Z. Naiman, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706 AJ; 8/16/23/30; 9/6

NOTICE OF SALE Supreme Court County Of Kings HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Nomura Asset-Backed Certificate Series, 2006-AF1, Plaintiff AGAINST Abou Traore, et al, Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 6/26/2019 and entered on 7/2/2019, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public

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auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on September 19, 2019 at 02:30 PM premises known as :947 GATES AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11221. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 1632, LOT: 49. Approximate amount of judgment is \$1,222,310.66 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 020445/2008. Dominic J. Famulari, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706 AJ; 8/16/23/30; 9/6

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC, Plaintiff v. Kesimal Salzbarg, et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, Index # 501965/17, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, Room 224, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York, on September 19, 2019 at 2:30 PM, premises known as 2123 58th Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11204. All that parcel of land, with the improvements erected thereon, being in the County of Kings, City and State of New York, Block 5501, Lot 65. Approximate amount of Judgment \$429,892.33, plus interest and costs. Aaron Tyk, Esq., Referee Davidson Fink Attorney for Plaintiff 28 East Main Street Rochester, NY. 14614 AJ; 8/16/23/30; 9/6

Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC) Name: INSPIRE HOME MANAGEMENT LLC. Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York(SSNY) on 08/06/2019. Office location: Kings county. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Amy D. Littleton 545 Quincy Street 2ND floor Brooklyn, NY 11221. Purpose: all lawful activity AJ; 8/16/23/30; 9/6/13/20

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE C-BASS MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-MX1, Plaintiff -against- CECIL HAYNES, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated May 2, 2018, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Courthouse 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY on September 19, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the southerly side of Clarkson Avenue, distant 43 feet westerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the southerly side of Clarkson Avenue with westerly side of East 51st Street; being a plot 19 feet by 100 feet by 19 feet by 100 feet. Block: 4637 Lot: 8. Said premises known as 846 CLARKSON AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NY Approximate amount of lien \$553,021.02 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale. Index Number 6018/2013. SIMON SHAMOUN, ESQ., Referee Dorf & Nelson LLP Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 555 Theodore Fremd Avenue, Rye, NY 10580 AJ; 8/16/23/30; 9/6

Social.



Adam Richman. Photo: Instagram.

Food Scholar Adam Richman Shares Emotional Moment at the Western Wall

BY SHIRYN GHERMEZIAN

Jewish TV personality and food expert Adam Richman visited the Western Wall in Jerusalem and wrote a heart-filled post about the experience on Instagram Monday.

The former host of the Travel Channel series “Man v. Food” said he had been waiting to visit the holy site since 1987, when his grandfather wanted to take the whole family to Jerusalem to have Richman’s bar mitzvah at the Western Wall. However a terror attack months before derailed their plans and the trip never happened.

Standing at the Western Wall this week, during his first trip to Israel, Richman, 45, said, “I was unprepared for the scope of emotion..I kid you not-the moment I laid my palm upon the bricks, I began to weep. Being there, at the western retaining wall of the Temple mount, so close to the observance of the Tisha B’Av holiday, where we commemorate the destruction of the temples, you could feel, even among the other worshipers, that this was a very special time.”

The Brooklyn native added, “I can only say I walked away from that wall feeling very different than the man who had walked up to it barely an hour before.”

Richman wrote more about the whole experience in a lengthy post.

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At first, I was not sure how I felt about my guide capturing this moment on camera. It was, after all, a private moment.

It was also a moment I have been waiting for since 1987.

My grandfather had wanted to take my family to Jerusalem to have my Bar Mitzvah at The Western Wall.

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Being there, at the western retaining wall of the Temple mount, so close to the observance of the Tisha B’Av holiday, where we commemorate the destruction of the temples, you could feel, even among the other worshipers, that this was a very special time.

When I first began to pray, there were people of every shape and color on either side of me

I put on my t’fillin - the prayer boxes on my head & arm, as I’d done for years in Hebrew school - yet this time it felt different. This time it felt vital, important, ancient, HOLY.

I felt connected to the traditions of the past, and to the spirit of the Holy Land-not just for Jews, but for Christians and Muslims as well.

I took one of the prayer books they had there, and prayed passionately and fervently.

I did, as many worshipers do, press my face against the bricks, feeling the warmth of the stone in the afternoon Jerusalem sun, and began to whisper my own prayer directly into the wall. Praying not just for myself, but for my family - and all of you guys as well.

Giving thanks for the health & success I have, and for all those who support & believe in me.

I then put the note that I had written with my prayer upon it, into one of the many cracks in the wall like thousands of people before me.

I can only say I walked away from that wall feeling very different than the man who had walked up to it barely an hour before.

So ultimately, I am grateful that this moment was captured.

And I am ever thankful for all of you for joining me on my journeys, supporting them, and finding inspiration within them to embark upon journeys of your own.

May all your dreams come true, and may your life be full of everything you wish for yourself. עם ישראל חיו.

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Former Miss Iraq Blasts ‘Antisemitic’ Ilhan Omar, Says ‘She Does Not Represent Me as a Muslim’

BY SHIRYN GHERMEZIAN

Iraqi beauty queen Sarah Idan sharply criticized Minnesota congresswoman Ilhan Omar in a radio interview last week, calling the controversial representative “antisemitic” and saying she should not be considered a spokesperson for the Muslim community.

“Omar does not represent me as a Muslim, (she) does not represent millions of Muslims in the Middle East. You know like in Arab countries we call her the



Former Miss Iraq Sarah Idan, right, speaking alongside former Miss Israel Adar Gendelman at the AJC Global Forum in June 2018. Photo: Screenshot / YouTube.

Muslim Brotherhood,” Idan, 29, said on the podcast *The Sara Carter Show* on Aug. 4.

Shortly after the interview aired, Omar, 37, fired back at Idan on Twitter, saying, “Hey, I might be wrong but I don’t think you are a #MN05 resident and like that makes be [sic] not your representative.”

The former Miss Iraq replied, “Seriously @ IlhanMN this is your intellectual come back?” She then went on to lambaste Omar as anti-American and antisemitic. In a series of follow-up tweets she accused Omar of pursuing a “Muslim Brotherhood agenda using this democracy to further YOUR & YOUR FRIENDS Islamic socialism goals of dividing & weakening our country.” She added, “I fled from the same ideology you’re trying to export here.”

On Friday, Idan also blasted Omar for using her platform as congresswoman to advocate for the freedom of Hoda Abdelmonem, a senior member of the Muslim brotherhood, but not to help women “enslaved by mandatory sharia/in jail awaiting an imminent death for speaking out against dictatorial regimes.”

Idan, who now lives in the US, called out antisemitism taught in Muslim countries and voiced support for Israel at the Human Rights Council in Geneva, Switzerland, last month. She was forced to flee Iraq with her family after receiving death threats in November 2017 for taking a selfie with Miss Israel Adar Gendelman at the Miss Universe beauty pageant.

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