Hiding to Live:
Mapping out the Hidden Histories and Memories of the Jewish Dutch Holocaust Survivors
Friday, May 10, 2019 – 7:45 pm
(A light dinner will be served before the program. RSVP to Communications@comsynrye.org)

Dienke Hondius, Ph.D., will join us for our fourth annual speaker series. She will discuss her incredibly important work in the documentation of Dutch Jewish hidden life and hiding places during the Holocaust. Dr. Hondius will be joined by Jan Erik Dubbelman, her husband and the Director of International Education for the Anne Frank House.

Going into hiding is a well-known concept in the Dutch memory of World War II. In the digital age, interviews and photo collections have grown considerably. It is time to use them to our advantage. Dr. Hondius’ research from the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam brings this information together for us to gain a better insight into the history of Jewish hiding during World War II.
Community Synagogue of Rye is a caring Jewish community that seeks to add meaning and purpose to your life. Inspired by Jewish teachings and traditions, we seek to be a center for spiritual transformation; to foster the creation of sacred relationships; and to give people the tools and resources to be God’s partner in healing the world.

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To Jeff and Einav Frumess on the birth of
their daughter Noa Ana Frumess
To Brian Kabcenell and Joanne
Steinhart on the engagement of
Aaron Kabcenell & Samantha Halpern
To Nancylee and Roger Matles on the birth of
their granddaughter Anna Haley Louis

Condolences
When cherished ties are broken, our burden of sadness
is made lighter by the sympathy and comfort of friends.
Our congregation mourns the passing of:
Bruce Deifik, father of Amanda Witheiler
Lori Kaye, hero of Congregation Chabad in Poway, CA
The victims of the Sri Lanka church bombings

Our thoughts and prayers are with the congregants of
Congregation Chabad in Poway, CA
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**Save the Date**

May 30 at 7:15 pm
How Do You Say Good-Bye In Jewish? Lech L'Shalom
Rabbi Daniel Gropper • dgropper@comsynrye.org

Along with flowers, May often brings with it endings and the hint of endings. College students receive their degrees and go off into the world. Prom brings with it the hint of high school graduation to come. To all of those celebrating graduations at this season (and their families)—we wish you a hearty Mazal Tov. We look forward to witnessing where the rivers of life take you.

Judaism, as a spiritual practice, has many rituals for endings. Many have commented to me over the years (often practitioners of other spiritual paths) that we Jews, “do death well.” They are often impressed with the ritual of sitting shiva and the way it allows mourners to feel supported. But other rituals have their special endings, too: Sukkot ends with the singing and dancing of Simchat Torah; Passover ends, not with a whimper but, actually, with another festive meal. And each week we say goodbye to Shabbat with the ceremony of Havdallah. In fact, the word we use for goodbye is the same one we use for hello, Shalom. It reminds us that each ending also holds the potential for a new beginning. And what do we ultimately wish someone who is ending or beginning a journey? The same word: Shalom. Peace.

This is ultimately the wish and blessing we wish for Rabbi Frankel as she winds down her tenure with us and looks ahead to her rabbinate at Larchmont Temple. When we considered taking on Rabbi Frankel as a rabbinic intern 9 years ago, one of her references told me that she, “lit up the room and was a breath of fresh air.” Was that ever true! In her time with us, she breathed so much life, vitality and spirit into our congregation. We watched her become a mother—twice! We watched her become the rabbi she is becoming (because truthfully, we are all unfinished). Along this journey of hers, she taught and challenged and lifted all of us to new heights. It is only fitting that we say Shalom to her with honor and gratitude.

Please mark the Shabbat of June 14—15. On Friday night we will welcome Shabbat and hear from Rabbi Frankel about what her time at CSR has meant to her. On Saturday in the late afternoon, we will gather. Using Havdallah and the deep meaning of separation that it conveys, we will have the opportunity to share with Rabbi Frankel what she meant to each of us.

Doing this will be hard. Thankfully we have rituals at our disposal that can help us to move through this impending change. As much as we are excited for this growth opportunity ahead of her, we will all feel a sense of loss. At “Sushi Under the Stars,” our Women’s Seder or Shabbat at the Beach, we will miss her passion for Jewish living and learning. In our book group, we will miss the way she made our tradition accessible, meaningful, relevant and fun. Her absence will be felt in the shiva house, the hospital bedside and just as she approached each of us, from the youngest to the oldest, with a sense of curiosity and hopefulness. Above all, I will feel her absence. I will miss learning and growing with her. I will miss dreaming with her and I will miss the rabbinic partnership where we challenged each other in the spirit of making CSR a stronger place for adding meaning and purpose to your life. A hole will be left at CSR by her absence; and still, by speaking about Rabbi Frankel’s impact and influence, we cast light on her spirit. By carrying her teaching forward, we cast light on all those with whom we interact. I believe that will help us to move through this change.

The Vilna Gaon, Rabbi Eliyahu ben Shlomo Zalman Kramer (1720–1797), taught that there are two different valedictions for saying goodbye*: b’shalom and l’shalom. Favoring the latter he points out that Jethro told Moses to go “l’shalom—to peace.” Jethro went and succeeded in his mission; however, when David told Avshalom to go “b’shalom—in peace,” he died. This is why the Talmud teaches, “one who takes leave of his friend should say, ‘Go to peace’ (lekh l’shalom) rather than ‘go in peace’ (lekh b’shalom)” (Babylonian Talmud, Berakhot 64a).

To Rabbi Frankel, to all those who graduate or make transitions in their lives at this season, this is the wish we have for you. Lech L’Shalom. May you continually move towards Shalom, towards wholeness, equanimity and peace.

L’Shalom,

Rabbi Daniel Gropper

*The etymology of goodbye is from godbwye, itself a contraction of “God be with ye.”

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Save the Date
Saying Shalom to Rabbi Frankel

Friday, June 14 at 6:30 pm—Celebration Shabbat and Community Dinner
Saturday, June 15 from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm—Family Friendly Farewell
An opportunity to wish her well as we say goodbye

www.comsynrye.org
Fred Bryant is a social psychologist at Loyola University Chicago and he wants you to party. His book, *Savoring: A New Model of Positive Experience*, is all about how we often tend to allow life’s good moments to slip away almost unnoticed.

Bryant noticed there were many books written about how to deal with the difficulties of life, but very few books focused on how to deal with the celebratory aspects of life. You might be asking: “Why does a book like that need to be written?” That’s a good question and here’s Bryant’s response: “It’s been presumed that when good things happen, people naturally feel joy for it” but his research found that people don’t always respond to life’s positive experiences in the most positive way. Basically, we tend to shortchange ourselves on the joys of life.

At first, Bryant’s ideas may seem like the concept of mindfulness, which we’ve talked quite a bit about. Being present in a moment is not always easy, especially given the myriad of modern distractions, but Bryant is taking that core idea in a slightly different direction. Bryant is a leading researcher on the concept of “savoring.” Like the savoring of a beautiful wine or a delicious meal, Bryant suggests we should practice the act of being mindfully engaged and aware of our feelings during positive experiences. This, naturally, increases our happiness in the moment but can also increase our happiness in the future. Bryant says to think of this as “swishing the experience around…in your mind.” I really love that description. If the comparison to “swishing” is to a glass of wine, how can we swish what we’ve never tasted in the first place? Bryant’s research continues but these were his ten suggestions to help develop swishing as a skill.

1. Take a mental photograph. “It’s about saying to yourself, ‘This is great. I’m loving it,’” says Bryant.
2. Congratulate yourself. Take credit for hard work.
3. Sharpen your sensory perceptions by focusing on one task at a time–no phones at dinner!
4. Shout it from the rooftops–people who outwardly express good feelings tend to feel extra good.
5. Compare the outcome to something worse.
7. Count your blessings and give thanks.
8. Avoid killjoy thinking.

As we move into the warmer months—the time of graduations and weddings—think about how you can capture those positive moments and try to accept the, sometimes, difficult challenge of being fully present in the moment. Try not to dwell too much on a difficult family dynamic or a catering detail. It not only robs you of joy in the moment but also, days later, months later, years later, will rob you of the joy in looking back on an event. Share your good feelings with others.

We will have quite a few opportunities to practice this savoring here at CSR over the next few weeks.

Cantor Melanie Cooperman
Reflections from Rabbi Frankel

In the *Talmud*, Rabbi Ḥanina remarks: “I have learned much from my teachers and even more from my colleagues, but from my students I have learned the most of all” (*Ta’anit* 7a). As I wind down nearly a decade of leadership at CSR and reflect on how precious this time has been for my family and me, this quote has been constantly in my mind. Looking back, I hope that I have brought Jewish texts and traditions to life for all of you over these years—from our youngest learners in the ECC to our J-Life Families, *Shabbat* morning “regulars,” CSR teens, SAJE participants, and everyone in between. But the truth is, all along the way, you were teaching me too. All of your stories, interpretations, and insights are now a part of the *Torah* that I will carry forward with me and continue to treasure.

It is remarkable to think that over these nine years I marked so many personal milestones surrounded by my CSR family: getting married, receiving rabbinic ordination, naming my two daughters, and burying my beloved father. You have been with me during the most joyous and most painful moments of my own life, teaching me how both celebration and mourning are enriched by being a part of a spiritual community. We have shared so much over these last nine years that words feel inadequate to express the depths of my gratitude. Nevertheless, I will do my best to articulate just a few more during my *goodbye Shabbat on June 14-15*, and hope that many of you can join me.

Judaism has a number of ways to say goodbye, and not all of them so final. While “*Shalom*” is certainly the most common greeting of departure, I see this one much more as “*L hitraot,*” literally “until we next see each other.” Thankfully I will be just down the road and still a part of our wider Westchester Jewish community. Especially with the help of modern technology, I trust we will be able to stay in touch and continue to cross paths, and of course, I promise to visit! In the meantime, I will still be here through t

L’*Shalom,*

Rabbi Leora Frankel

Lessons in Leadership

At the beginning of April, I spent four days in Peachtree City, Georgia at the URJ Scheidt Seminar for synagogue presidents. I had heard from my predecessors how valuable the conference is, and it exceeded my expectations. Unlike me, a majority of the seminar attendees were about to start their presidency. However, attending when I did, on the verge of completing my first year as president, energized me for the year ahead.

It’s not as easy as it was when I was a teenager to enter a room not knowing anyone. But I immediately realized that we all shared similar values and passions. (I also played a lot of Jewish geography and reaffirmed that we are all connected in some way!) It quickly became obvious that I was in a supportive environment in which I could learn. With a fresh perspective, I was gratified to conclude that we are doing things really well at Community Synagogue of Rye.

At the seminar, I learned new ways to think when leading our congregation. The first is to ask “why?” more often. Why are we Reform Jews? Why are we members of this congregation? Why are we running this (fill in the blank) program? I know that thinking about the question “why?” will help me, and perhaps each of us, guide our actions and deepen what it means to be part of our community.

A different approach to measuring success was another takeaway. It is only natural to measure success based on statistics. How many people attended? How much money did we raise? Etcetera. But another way to look at success is to assess how much impact we are having in the community: Are we building relationships? Are we creating meaning for people? Are we having an effect in some way? Thinking about success in this manner allows us to critically and thoughtfully assess the decisions the leaders of our community are making, while opening our minds and creating new opportunities.

Change was another topic of discussion. Although change frequently takes us out of our comfort zone and can be difficult, it is also a way for us to grow. Change is happening right now in our own backyard. Over the past nine years, our community has been so fortunate to have Rabbi Frankel lead us in so many ways. We have learned much from her, and she has touched our lives significantly. We watched her grow from a stellar intern to a confident, thoughtful and passionate rabbi. We have watched Rabbi Frankel’s beautiful family flourish and we are blessed to have had her and them in our community. We will truly miss Rabbi Frankel, and we celebrate the time we have shared with her. Nevertheless, I am confident that we will continue to move forward as a community and find new opportunities to learn, engage and grow.

Susan Zeitlin,
CSR President
Mitzvah Day
Do Good, Feel Good: Multiple mitzvot in an afternoon!
Saturday, May 4
10:45 am - Brunch | 11:30 am - Activities
All Ages
Bring your friends

• Guiding Eyes: Creating Toys for Puppies
• Bread for Life: Working in the Food Pantry
• Beautifying CSR: Cleaning up Outside
• Ronald McDonald House Volunteer Work*
• Challah for Hunger: Baking Challah Bread
• Soul Ryeders: Making fleece blankets for cancer patients
• Baby Boxes: Support new mothers with baby essentials

Go to www.comsynrye.org/act.html
to RSVP with your top 3 choices or email
Communications@comsynrye.org

*Limited Space

Make a difference in May with Open Door Medical Centers.

It’s hard to believe that in the wealthiest county on earth, there are parents who wonder how they are going to feed, house and care for their children. Open Door Family Medical Center is our community’s health home for these people.

The Collection: Join us May 5 through June 9 collecting items to make Baby Boxes for the moms and their babies. What’s a Baby Box? It’s a remarkably designed cardboard box filled with newborn basics that include a waterproof mattress and cotton sheet so the box can be used as the baby’s first bed or bassinet. There are many things a newborn may need and Open Door has created an Amazon wish list just for us! If you would like to personally shop for just the right items, here is what they recommend: sleep sacks, sleep and play body suits, newborn hats, mittens, socks digital rectal thermometers, baby ointment, diapers and wipes, infant toys and books. Arcade Books has partnered with us again this year to have bilingual board books available. Please drop off your donations in any of the empty Baby Boxes during our month long drive.

The Connection: Join us at Open Door in Port Chester to tour their wonderful facility, learn more about all the services that new moms and their babies receive and help assemble and distribute Baby Boxes to the moms to be. Each month, volunteers join Jane Levy and the staff at Open Door to assemble baby boxes at the Port Chester Center. To sign up, email Jane Levy (jlevy@odfmc.org) directly.

The Donation: Make a contribution to “Beyond the Box” to help support prenatal care, education, and wellness classes. Please make your check out to Rye Presbyterian Church and indicate “M&O Open Door” on the memo line.
The end of the school year, especially for our graduating Fours and Pre-K, is always bittersweet and emotional for our community. It is a time for moving forward and, if we have done our job well, the children will put into practice all they have learned in the ECC. We feel so happy and proud of them and yet feel sad to be ending a chapter where so many warm connections have been made among families and teachers.

Recently, I attended a wonderful conference, hosted by The Jewish Education Project, that focused on Strategies for Social-Emotional Well Being. I don’t usually cry at workshops, after all, I am a professional. However, when I saw how The Little Leaf School in Hastings-on-Hudson celebrates the moving up of their four-year-olds I just couldn’t control my emotions.

The Little Leaf School is a unique preschool that is inspired by the Forest Kindergarten and Nature Preschool movement. Its main campus is located at Andrus-On-Hudson, a senior residential center on 26 acres. Children spend most of their days outside, exploring and learning through interactions with nature. Every day, rain or shine, the children go on a 20-minute nature hike along a specific path on the property. They learn about understanding and respecting nature, avoiding things like poison ivy and practice problem solving, like how to navigate past a large, deep puddle. The knowledge the children gain from these experiences empowers them while fostering independence and confidence. The closing ceremony for the graduating class is what can best be described as an outward bound for preschoolers. They are put into groups of three and, together, each group walks the 20-minute hike all by themselves (of course there are adults observing the children from afar but the children don’t know that). At the end of their journey, the children are greeted with a congratulatory song and a picnic reception.

So, what was it about this that made me cry? It was understanding how much courage it took to believe in the children’s abilities and appreciating the trust that had been established within their community. It was imagining how wonderful those children must have felt after completing their journey and how the confidence and bravery they experienced will continue to serve them as they grow. The best gift we can give our children is to believe in them, no matter how hard it is sometimes. In a world where technology is called upon to solve many problems and complete everyday tasks, we must help children understand that they are capable and resilient and they have the support of a loving community.
Mazal Tov to Our 7th, 10th and 12th Grade Students

On Friday evening, May 17 at 6:30 pm, we will honor our high school graduates and 7th grade students who are moving up to the CSR Teens program. Twelfth grade students will receive graduation gifts and a blessing on the bimah as part of this special service. Seventh grade students will lead the service and will be awarded certificates. Everyone in our synagogue community is invited to attend and enjoy a celebratory Oneg dessert afterwards.

We congratulate the following 12th grade students on their graduation from high school:

- Rachael Adelson
- Max Aronwald
- Rachel Berg
- Adam Chen
- Mitchell Einhorn
- William Goldsmith
- Sydney Goldstein
- Rachel Harris
- Amber Hufford
- Daniel Jablon
- Carly Kabot
- Max Kaminsky
- Samuel Kaplan
- Abigail Kimmel
- Shelby Lipson
- Zachary Marks
- Caroline McCormack

- Elizabeth Mioli
- Jack Pflieger
- Rebecca Reichman
- David Rosenberg
- Julia Rosenberg
- Isabelle Schindler
- Ilana Serin
- Sasha Spitz
- Isabel Steinberg
- Emma Stevens
- Sam Tuch
- Benjamin Turk
- Shoshanna Victor
- Ryan Wallace
- Natalie Weiner
- Jack Wells
- Zachary Zimmerman

The following 7th grade students have successfully completed the course of studies at the Center for Jewish Learning and are moving up to the CSR Teens Program.

- Jonah Bassuk
- Alex Berk
- Seth Dorfman
- Avery Eng
- Isabella Estroff-Liberti
- Avery Gershwin
- Della Goodman
- Justin Gray
- Toby Grossberg

- Jonah Gurion
- Isabel Harvey
- Antonio Hendler
- Eli Kerlan
- Ian Khemlani
- Samantha Khemlani
- Evan Levitan
- Ella Piacenti

- Maddox Reisner
- Jared Rosen
- Jake Sammon
- Ian Sherman
- Caleb Tuckman
- Cassidy Wohl
- Miles Woolsey
- Eli Zimmerman
Wow! What a year it has been. There is so much to celebrate in our teen community: from the many 7th graders who became bar and bat mitzvah, to our 10th graders who lobbied in Washington, D.C. on the RAC Trip, to our 11th and 12th graders who spent a weekend doing hurricane repair work in Houston!

As we wrap up our program year, we start looking toward the fall and the excitement as members of our teen community grow in different ways. Our 10th graders have been hard at work learning through our Confirmation program. Through spending time with our clergy, this group of teens has been engaging in conversations about their own Jewish identities. We’ll celebrate their hard work this year during Shabbat services on June 7 when they’ll share their personal statements with us.

Our 7th graders, some of whom have become bar and bat mitzvah over the past few months, officially “move up” and join our wider teen community through COSY, social action programs, and trips. As we welcome the 7th graders in, we say l’hitraot to our graduating 12th graders. This year’s graduating seniors are heading to amazing colleges and universities and we cannot wait to hear about the opportunities that they encounter along the way.

I hope you’ll join me at Shabbat services on May 17, as we celebrate both our 7th and 12th graders. We’ll hear reflections from some of our graduating seniors about their time at CSR and celebrate them all with gifts, singing, and appreciation for their ongoing commitment to our teen community.
Our B’nei Mitzvah

Eli Zimmerman

My name is Eli Zimmerman and I will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on May 5. I am in seventh grade at Blind Brook Middle School. My parents are Dana and Marc Zimmerman and I have two brothers, Zachary, who is 18, and Jesse, who is 16. My Torah portion, Pinchas, is a special reading on Rosh Chodesh from the Book of Numbers. My Torah portion is about presenting offerings to God every day and special offerings to God on holidays. These offerings were meaningful because the people of Israel gave up something important to them. For my mitzvah project I am trying to do the same, by volunteering my free time at Backyard Sports playing sports with kids with special needs.

Evan Levitan

My name is Evan Levitan and I will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on May 18. I am a seventh grader at Blind Brook Middle School. My parents are Zinovi and Lori Levitan and I have a younger sister, Hannah. I enjoy playing basketball and tennis, and listening to music. My Torah portion is Parashat Emor from the Book of Leviticus. It discusses many holidays including Passover, Shabbat, Yom Kippur and Sukkot. I wanted to connect my Torah portion to my mitzvah project and that is why I chose to help Westchester Jewish Community Services. I collected Passover foods for 60 senior citizens that attend a synagogue in Mt. Vernon for daily activities and Kosher meals. Many of them need the meals and services that are provided. In addition, I am volunteering to be a buddy for the Miracle League of Westchester, which is a baseball league for special needs children and adults. I will help them with batting and running the bases.

Jonah Bassuk

My name is Jonah Bassuk and I will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on May 25. I am a seventh grader at Blind Brook Middle School. My parents are Greg and Dana and I have a younger sister, Alexa. I like to play basketball and I love to collect sports memorabilia. I participate in the band at school and I play the drums. My Torah portion is from the Book of Leviticus. For my mitzvah project, I am continuing an Annual Fundraiser and Toy Drive that I started to provide toys, games and funding to support Stony Brook Children’s Hospital. I created this annual fundraiser in 2015, after I was treated at the Children’s Hospital. While recuperating there, the toys and games the hospital provided helped get me through the challenging week I had there. As my surgeon was so amazing and supportive, I wanted to give back to him and to the Children’s Hospital by creating this annual Fundraiser and Toy Drive so that other patients there could have an experience as positive as I had. I look forward to continuing to support my community through my mitzvah project, and in many other ways in the future.
Rabbi Leora Frankel will facilitate an interesting discussion over wine, cheese, and other creative snacks as we explore the layers of a novel while connecting them to relevant and relatable Jewish texts.

Set in Haifa just before the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in 1982, this spirited, bittersweet novel captures the Arab-Israeli conflict in microcosm. The seaside city is home to a family of Christian Arabs: irascible Elias, the patriarch; his busy daughter-in-law, Umm-Huda; and her fatherless daughters, the beautiful Mary and her older, deplorably still unwed sister Huda.

The translation is occasionally stiff, and Michael tends toward over-explanation, but the novel deals cleverly and humorously with complicated relationships. Against the tragic backdrop of current events, the willingness of Michael’s characters to ignore the strictures of individual religious beliefs and to shun fanaticism, is refreshing, though perhaps increasingly hard to credit.
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**SELECT THURSDAYS AT 10:00 AM—MAY 2, 16**

The *Talmud* is one of the foundational texts of Judaism. However, many of us may not feel like experts when it comes to this vital canon. In fact, it can be said that more than we are biblical Jews, we are rabbinic Jews following the laws and guidelines set out in the *Talmud*. Together we will explore the history and structure of the *Talmud* and rabbinic thought as well as the rabbis’ profound insights into human nature. No prior experience required!

**First Friday Torah Study**

**MAY 3, 7:00 AM—Offsite, Le Pain Quotidien**

The monthly Torah study sessions are designed to allow working members of the synagogue to squeeze in some Torah study before the start of the workday.

They are held on the first Friday morning of the month and last roughly an hour. Torah texts are also available for use. We hope you can join us (no RSVP required, just come).


Brenda Wilkin• SAJE@comsynrye.org

**Thursday May 2**

Nathan Reiff discusses *Arturo Toscanini’s Aida* with performers Herva Nelli, Richard Tucker, Giuseppe Valdengo, and Eva Gustavson. (*This is part two of a two-part program*) Nathan will share stories of the conductor and artist along with his skilled commentary of the performance.

**Monday May 6**

Rabbi Emeritus Robert Rothman will lead us in an open discussion.

**Thursday May**

Rob Sturtz is known as Rob the Accordion Man. He has been a featured performer at the Bryant Park summer long event—* Accordions of the World*.

**Monday May 13**

Sara E. Meyers is a Westchester Elder Law Attorney. Sara is knowledgeable on a number of topics pertinent for anyone with an aging loved one, as well as anyone considering their own future and the benefits of advanced planning.

**Thursday May 16**

Meet NYS Senator Shelley Mayer. She represents the 37th Senate District, which includes the Cities of Yonkers, White Plains, New Rochelle, and Rye; the Towns of Bedford, Eastchester, Harrison, Mamaroneck, North Castle, and Rye; and the Villages of Bronxville, Larchmont, Mamaroneck, Port Chester, Rye Brook, and Tuckahoe.

**Monday, May 20**

Sharing More of Our Stories: Andi Hesekiel, a freelance writer and writing coach, has led sessions for SAJE each year for over a decade, by using simple prompts that jog your memory and guide you to write about your life.

**Thursday May 23**

Lunch Out with Friends at Sam’s of Gedney Way in White Plains. Please join us for a family-style lunch in our own private room. (Parking is available in the rear of the restaurant.)

**Monday May 27**

Memorial Day—No SAJE Event

**Thursday May 30**

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Our dedicated bins are back in the lobby!

The Sharing Shelf seeks donations of Spring clothing for infants, children and teens.

Please bag items and place them in the marked bins.

All sizes, from newborn through adult XXL are accepted but sizes 3T-14 for boys and girls as well as casual clothing for teen boys is critically needed.

Donations of new socks & new underwear are greatly appreciated but we do not accept used ones.

CLOTHING SHOULD BE IN CLEAN, WEARABLE CONDITION FREE OF RIPS, STAINS AND TEARS READY FOR IMMEDIATE DISTRIBUTION TO CHILDREN IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Carrie Nagel at carrienagel1203@gmail.com

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