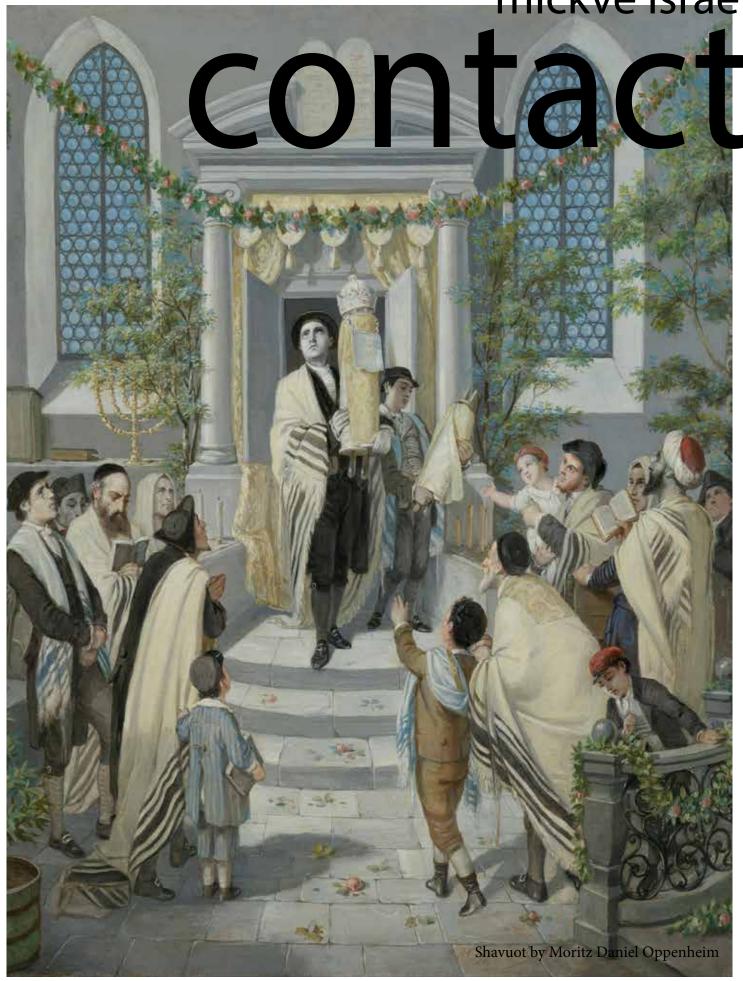
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### JEWS AROUND THE WORLD

### Travels in Cuba

By Phil and Kerry Rosen

We spent 17 days in February exploring the country of Cuba, visiting many places in the provinces rarely seen by US tourists. We had an amazing time and learned a lot - about the people, their history, art and music.

We traveled independently with a guide and driver, staying in private homes and eating in private restaurants on a "support the Cuban people" visa, one of the only ways that Americans are now allowed by our government to visit Cuba. And it turned out wonderfully well. Our accommodations were fine, some even great. The food was delicious, in case you were wondering.

We tried to see as much of the country as we could, so from Havana we headed in a rather circular route around the island, going as far east as Santiago and Baracoa. We heard traditional trova music in Cienfuegos, saw a ballet performance in Camaguey, and visited a well-known Cuban artist in his Matanzas studio. We saw San Juan Hill, Che's memorial and the tiny town where the first Cuban constitution was signed. In Havana, we visited the Jewish community center and other Jewish sights there with a wonderful young guide. Adela Dworin, the community's current president, not only met with us, but it turns out that her mother is from the same shtetl in Belarus as my grandfather. Small Jewish world, for sure!

Dr. Rosa Behar, the director of the community's pharmacy, was there, too, and it was to her that we gave the medical and hygiene supplies we had brought with us. They thanked us profusely for all the items donated by Congregation Mickve Israel and asked that we let you know how much the gift was appreciated.

So, a successful trip - in more ways than one.















# WORSHIPSCHEDULE VIRTUAL EVEN

During the month of May, we are continuing all services and events online. We are using the application Zoom, our Facebook page, as well as our YouTube channel to stream these offerings. Each service and event will indicate which platform we are using for streaming.

FRIDAY 5/1 at 6pm Welcome Shabbat with Rabbi, April, Amira, and

Aryeh Haas streaming live on Facebook, 6pm

SATURDAY 5/2 at 11am Shabbat Morning Service streamed live from our Youtube Channel, 11:00am

FRIDAY 5/8 at 6pm Welcome Shabbat with Rabbi, April, Amira, and Aryeh Haas streaming live on Facebook, 6pm

SATURDAY 5/9 at 11am Shabbat Morning Service streamed live from our Youtube Channel. 11:00am

FRIDAY 5/15 at 6pm Welcome Shabbat with Rabbi, April, Amira, and Aryeh Haas streaming live on Facebook, 6pm

SATURDAY 5/16 at 11am Shabbat Morning Service streamed live from our Youtube Channel. 11:00am

FRIDAY 5/22 at 6pm Welcome Shabbat with Rabbi, April, Amira, and Aryeh Haas streaming live on Facebook, 6pm

SATURDAY 5/23 at 11am Shabbat Morning Service streamed live from our Youtube Channel, 11:00am

FRIDAY 5/29 at 6pm Welcome Shabbat with Rabbi, April, Amira, and Aryeh Haas streaming live on Facebook, 6pm

SATURDAY 5/30 at 11am Shabbat Morning Service streamed live from our Youtube Channel. 11:00am

Weekly Torah Study Fridays, May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 1pm Áccess class at zoom.us/j/898299995 Password: 009694

Study Session with Rabbi Haas Tuesday, May 5, 12, 19 & 26 1pm Access class at zoom.us/j/898299995 Password: 009694

Judaism 201 with Tim Slivinski Tuesdays, May 12, 19, 26 June 2, and 9 at 6:30pm Please email Tim Slivinski at tim@mickveisrael.org if you'd like to participate in any of the classes See page 6 for details.

Virtual Shavuot Service and Program Thursday, May 28 Service, 8pm Program, 9pm Join us virtually as we celebrate the giving of the Torah! Access the service and program on our YouTube channel.

### Here are some tips for accessing each platform:

To access Zoom, open your computer internet browser, Type in join.zoom.us, then type in the Meeting ID and password provided in the class description. You can join the meeting via video and audio or just audio.

To access our YouTube channel, open your browser, type in youtube.com/mickveisraelsavannah or go to youtube.com and type in Mickve Israel Savannah in the search bar. Our channel will come up with a circle photo of our sanctuary on the left of the page. Click on Mickve Israel Savannah to open our channel page. Subscribe to the channel for easy future access.

To access our Facebook page, go to Facebook, type in Congregation Mickve Israel, click on our name. Our page has our address listed in the description.

If you have any questions or need technical assistance, please email Jennifer Rich at jennifer.rich@mickveisrael.org

# OF BLESSED MEMORY TZEDAKA & TIKKUN OLAM

Lauren Smith Daughter of Jane and Larry Rosendorf April 1, 2020

> Nicholas Busch Brother of Jenny (Josh) Shear April 3, 2020

Frank Hoffman, husband of Thelma Hoffman April 21, 2020

Jill Hunkins Castillo, sister of Steven (Larissa) Elisha, April 28, 2020

# MAZEL TOV

Mazel Tov to Marian and Michael Hofstein, who's daughter, Sara Hofstein (John Soltys), just had a baby girl. Her name is Veronika Claire Soltys.

**UNION MISSION**'s Grace House is in need of hygiene products including soap, deodorant, shampoo, new men's underwear, new men's t-shirts, towels, and washcloths. We are also asking for donations of masks to keep our clients and staff safe during this time. Please drop off these items off at 107 Fahm St Savannah, Georgia 31401. Visit unionmission.org to help.

Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia is providing food to thousands of families through its Mobile Food Banks and to thousands of school children through its Grab & Go program EACH WEEK. Food banks are reporting a 46% increase in need in the last 4 weeks. Visit helpendhunger.org to help.

Greenbriar Children's Center provides emergency housing for abused, neglected, runaway and homeless children and young adults ages 11-21, as well as family counseling services which lead to the healthy development of children and young adults and to the strengthening of families. The organization's services include shelter services, independent living, family preservation, early childhood educational and care and Project Safe Place. During this crises, family issues can increase and further erode safety and endanger children. Greenbriar continues its work to take care of the children who live there and the families it serves. Visit greenbriarchildrenscenter.org to help.

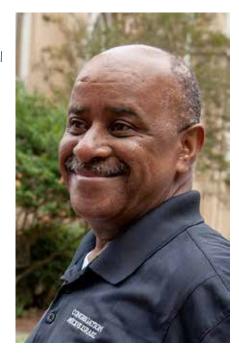
# SPECIAL RECOGNITION

How did we get so lucky?

It was May 8th and 20 years ago, that Daren Rodriguez joined the Mickve Israel family. Since then, he has worked hundreds of weddings, several thousands of services and over two thousand meals including Kiddush lunches, holiday meals, Shabbat dinners and special events. He has helped many of us with so many things. He has helped us getting in the car, getting out of the car, carrying things to and from our vehicles, moving chairs, setting up tables, decorating tables, setting up a variety of spaces for meetings (big and small), parties and meals then tearing it all down. This is a drop in the bucket of the many, many things Daren does for us (too many to fit in this space).

Being one of the middle children in a family of 17, Daren learned early how to handle a crowd. Makes sense to me as to how he is able to succeed in handling all he does for all of us.

On behalf of the Board of Adjunta, the Congregation and staff of Mickve Israel, we thank you, Daren, for 20 years of service and look forward to the next 20.



## **Strange Times**

It happened just the other day. I accidentally... touched someone's ungloved hand when I handed him a sheet of paper and...almost panicked. But I held firm, stirred my confidence and slowly, purposefully and unnoticeably walked around a nearby tree, quickly unearthed the bottle of hand sanitizer from my pocket and poured so much on my hands that I had no fear of touching my face for several hours afterwards.

Yes, we live in very strange times. The very notion of entering a grocery store without wearing one of my many Star Wars' masks sends shivers up my spine. As I try to put these days in the context of history, I find that I lack the perspective needed. In an article entitled Faith and Arrogance in Times of the Coronavirus Crisis, Pesach Wolicki quotes a passage from Exodus that proved especially helpful for him. After Moses requests to see God, a foolish request to most of us mere mortals, God answers, "So it shall be, while My glory passes by, that I will put you in the cleft of the rock, and will cover you with My hand while I pass by. Then I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back; but My face shall not be seen." – (Exodus 33:22-23)

Wolicki explains, "While God is acting, while God is passing by, our eyes are covered. We are blind. It is only after events have occurred, after God's next move in history is completed, that we have any vision at all.... The message is powerful. While events are taking place in our world, we are blind. We have no way of knowing what God is doing and why God is doing it. Our understanding of God begins after the event has passed. We see only God's back."

Yes, we live in very strange times. Yet, even though we may not understand God's plan or how we will view this period from the perspective of twenty years later, the answer to how we react during these days remains clear. As Wolicki adds, "Jewish tradition teaches us that when tragedies befall the community, we are required to look into ourselves and seek ways to improve our behavior. Uncertain times call for humility and introspection. The assumption is that we do not know why tragedies happen and therefore must use unsettling circumstances as an impetus towards greater piety."

Even though we may find ourselves living in uncertain times, we still must find ways to better ourselves and those around us. Whether we find more time to spend with our families or donate more money to certain organizations, whether we attend to unfinished house projects or attempt to find ways to offset our financial difficulties, we shouldn't allow these trying moments to push us off the path of righteousness.

As for Mickve Israel, we continue to find ways to interact with our synagogue community and Low Country community. I believe Jennifer has even written an article listing our contributions. At this time in our lives, I encourage all of us to rise above these unsettling moments and find ways to make our world a little better. I know we're stressed about so many things, but when we look back to this moment from the distant future, I hope we can say that we did our best to improve ourselves, our families, and our world.

As for me, I'm just amazed that when I walk into Krogers wearing a Darth Vader mask, no one looks at me with even the slightest sign of confusion or apprehension. Quite the opposite in fact. Most people say, "Great mask," as they walk by me (six feet apart). I continue to wish us all the best during these times. If you do need anything or know of someone who needs assistance of any kind, please let us know, and we will do our best to help out. We may not be able to literally see God, but we can surmise what we believe God expects from us. As Micah says, "To do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with God."



# Virtual Shavuot

Thursday, May 28 Service, 8pm Program, 9pm

Join us "in the cloud" on our YouTube Channel for a virtual Shavuot to celebrate the giving of the Torah

# Chessed during the Coronavirus

"What is chessed? It is usually translated as 'kindness' but it also means 'love' – not love as emotion or passion, but love expressed as deed." (Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, "To Heal a Fractured World" pg. 45)

When the world feels like it's falling apart, it's the time for all of us to do what we can to take care of ourselves, our loved ones and, if possible, to help others. Since late March, when the coronavirus shutdown began, there have been numerous individuals within our Mickve Israel community and Savannah Jewish community who have stepped up to lend a helping hand. For those who have helped without our knowledge – please let us know! We'd like to acknowledge your contributions too!

Thank you to all the medical professionals who are part of Mickve Israel and the Savannah Jewish Community.

Thank you to all the teachers, professors and educators who have worked hard to educate our kids and young adults online during this unprecedented challenge.

Thank you to Bryan Graves who has prepared over 1000 kosher meals on behalf of the Savannah Jewish Federation for Savannah Jewish community members.

Thank you to April Haas and Bryan Graves who have prepared and delivered several hundred meals for the homeless of Savannah.

Thank you to the anonymous donor from our congregation who provided the financial support for April and Bryan's meals for the homeless.

Thank you to Carol Greenberg, Joan Silver and others who made over 100 masks for the homeless who are served by Union Mission and who have continued to make and deliver plarn (plastic bag yarn) mats for the homeless.

Thank you to Adam Solender and the Savannah Jewish Federation who have provided over 1000 kosher meals to Savannah Jewish community members and - through Jewish Family Services - have helped community members with grocery gift cards, financial help with rent, medicine and bills.

Thank you to Shaina Rotker who has been giving her neighbors (and parent's friends on Facebook) the gift of her Saxophone playing talent with her evening Pandemic Porch Performances!

Thank you to Rabbi Haas who has been adding a bit of levity to his neighbor's evenings via his Porch Comedy Performances.

## CMI PROGRAMMING

## Judaism 201 Returns... Virtually

By Tim Slivinski

Join me as we took a closer look at some interesting topics that will explore various elements of our Reform Jewish faith. Each class will be self-contained, so join those that are of particular interest to you. These classes are designed for those new to Judaism as for those who are lifelong Jews.

Classes will be held virtually via Zoom from 6:30pm until 8:00pm on Tuesday evenings, with the first class slated for Tuesday, May 5, 2020. Below is a brief outline of the topics:

Session 1, Tuesday, May 12 – "So, You're Jewish!" – This session will focus on being an "other" in a predominantly non-Jewish American society.

Session 2, Tuesday, May 19 – "Let Us Pray"— We will examine the roots of Jewish prayer and how it evolved into the synagogue service we know today. Some less familiar prayers will also be examined. Session 3, Tuesday, May 26 – "It's All in the Point of View" – Let's look at various translations of prayers and differences between the main streams of Judaism because point of view matters. In addition, some of our prayers have rather intriguing backstories that are not necessarily well-known.

Session 4, Tuesday, June 2 – "Dancing and Dressing in the Synagogue" – We will take a look at the choreography and movement of the synagogue service as well as traditional garb donned for prayer.

**Session 5, Tuesday, June 9 – "Modern Israel"** – This session will focus on Israel since its founding as a nation in 1948. And since it has been in the news three times this year, we will examine the Israeli election system.

Please register for each individual class by emailing me at the synagogue by the Monday of the day prior to each class session: tim@mickveisrael.org

## HISTORY AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE

# From an Epidemic of Death: Sacred Bricks and Mortar

Written and Revised by Rabbi Saul J. Rubin

May is Jewish American Heritage Month. To participate, Mickve Israel's History and Heritage Committee is offering brief articles about Mickve Israel and Jewish American history.

(New-found information has yielded a revision to an article written six years ago; however, in this period of pandemic, this story still seems a fitting tribute to our congregational ancestors. From the national tragedy of Covid -19, may we build a lasting legacy of a better society, a stronger congregation, and personal improvement.)

When our synagogue was dedicated in 1878, the "Savannah Recorder" described it as follows: "(It is) ...one of the most tasteful and elegant in the south, and surpasses in beauty many in larger cities".

Thousands of visitors annually express similar sentiments as they tour our sanctuary and react to the inherent beauty of its Gothic Revival structure. Many Mickve Israelites find it difficult to worship in any other setting.

Thank four 19th century building chairmen and one passionate rabbi for this treasure we call our spiritual home.

Rabbi Abraham Harris inspired the building process. The 1838 structure, even after a restoration process, did not meet the needs or standards of the 1870's. Credit Rabbi Harris with envisioning what a Temple would do to raise awareness of the prominence of Jews in Savannah. Later in Richmond, Virginia he again inspired a new edifice.

Without Abraham Einstein's devotion as the first building committee chairman, who knows what the outcome would have been? Einstein was a major entrepreneur. (He was also the father-in-law of Rabbi Raphael de Castro Lewin, Mickve Israel's second



Above image circa 1883 by William E. Wilson

rabbi.) In the 1850's he sponsored a banquet for the entire congregation. With great generosity he presented a magnificent Torah, Mickve Israel's first sacred scroll since the 1733 and 1737 scrolls arrived from England.

Because Einstein was viewed as a devoted son of the synagogue, loved by all, he was chosen to organize a building committee, arrange for the dedication of a cornerstone, and devise a fund-raising scheme. Sadly, by April, 1875 he passed away unexpectedly. The congregation was traumatized.

Into the breach stepped Solomon Cohen, Savannah's leading attorney, politician, and aristocratic leader. His wife, Miriam, was Rebecca Gratz's niece. (Rebecca Gratz was the model for Rebecca of Sir Walter Scott's Ivanhoe and the founder of the Jewish Sunday School movement.) At the same time he was functioning as Temple parnass. Five months after assuming the chair of the Building Committee, he also entered eternity.

Next up was his brother, Octavus Cohen, a man of wealth and prominence, friend and

sustainer of Mrs. Jefferson Davis as the Confederacy fell apart. In December, 1876 he was smitten, (likely with complications of yellow fever) and died. Three building chairmen, all men of wealth and substance, departed this earth in rapid succession.

In addition was the loss of one of the most active building committee members, Joseph Lippman, whose demise was considered a major loss. In less than two years, death had wiped out four of our best and most dedicated! Thank God that President Simon Guckenheimer survived, or the entire enterprise would have collapsed.

Of the five laymen responsible for our current sanctuary, four are remembered in stained glass

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# From an Epidemic of Death

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windows. Above the Ark, Abraham Einstein, Octavus Cohen, and Simon Guckenheimer are memorialized in windows which are original to the building and were designed by Rabbi Isaac P. Mendes. On the north side

of the building, the first window closest to the bima is dedicated to Joseph Lippman. (Additional information about Mickve Israel's stained glass windows is available in an article written by Alan S. Gaynor-OBM.)

Only one of the four leaders is without honorific memorial – the Honorable Solomon Cohen. Considering his impact on our congregation and community, that is almost unimaginable. Examine this overview of some of his contributions:

- Longest serving parnass of Mickve Israel
- Established the first public school in Savannah (Massie School)
- Postmaster of Savannah –
   appointed by President Pierce
   and serving through the Lincoln Administration
- Serviced as alderman and mayor pro-tem
- Georgia legislator
- Only Jew ever elected First District Congressman in

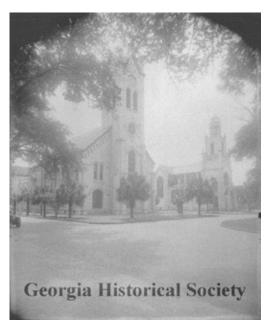
1866 (denied access by Reconstructionists)

Chair of Union Society (sustainer of Bethesda Orphanage), president of the Georgia Historical Society, and founder of the local Hebrew

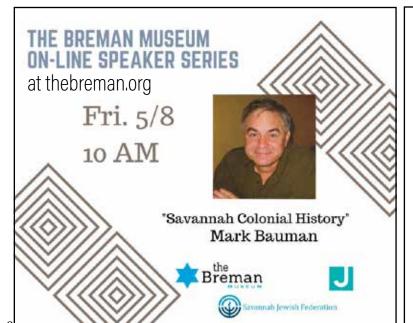
Benevolent Society

Be it known that each of these leaders remained dedicated to their duties despite their awareness that an epidemic of yellow fever could erupt at any time, as it did in Southern cities in the summers of 1870's. All had the resources to flee Savannah and secure safety. None chose that path because they were fervent about erecting a magnificent sanctuary to the glory of God. One can only imagine the stress they were under as they watched colleagues and friends abandon the city. (Numbers go as high as 11,000 with about 19,000 remaining.) When individuals are ready to sacrifice their all for a sacred purpose, some believe that their passion, their sacred energy,

gets infused into the brick and mortar. Whether one holds this belief or not, it is undeniable that our Temple is an especially holy place, capable of inspiring spiritual elevation. Our sanctuary has a unique mystique!



Above image circa 1910 shows Mickve Israel in the lot next to what used to be First Presbyterian (which is now the United Way)



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### ReformJudaism.Org Virtual Gatherings and Programs

Temple Beth Am: Loving our Children and who they Love, Monday, May 4, 7:30pm

Refugees in America, Stories of Courage, Resilience, and Hope in Their Own Words with author Lee Bycel Monday, May 11, 10pm

Every Voice, Every Vote: 2020 Reform Movement Civic Engagement Campain Virtual Town Hall Tuesday, May 19, 8pm

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• Bunny & Jim Montag

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In honor of the Tenenbaum's OBM

• Biff & Jerry Montana

In honor of Jan VandenBulk's 80th birthday

Peggy & Stan Harris

In honor of the Willner's great grandson In honor of Ken Goodman's speedy recovery

Malvina Leder



# Thank you!

The generosity we receive does not go unnoticed. We thank everyone who supports Congregation Mickve Israel through contributions, participation, volunteerism and other means. A special thank you to those listed below who have given Honor Dues. Please consider joining this special group by giving Honor Dues in 2020.

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# ESSEN ESSEN BY INA KULLER HALIBUT WITH FETA-CRUMB CRUST

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

#### FOR HALIBUT:

- 3 T. extra virgin olive oil
- 2 C. thinly sliced onions
- 2 T. finely chopped fresh garlic
- 1/2 C. thinly sliced fennel bulb-(optional)
- 3 rinsed and finely minced anchovies
- 2 T. chopped fresh parsley
- 1 C. drained and diced canned Italian tomatoes
- Salt and black pepper
- 1- 1/2 LBS fresh halibut -- cut into 1-inch pieces-can also use thick cut seabass
- 1/4 C. chopped fresh basil
- 2 T. capers, rinsed, drained, and chopped
- 1/4 C. dry red wine

#### FOR TOPPING

- 1/3 C. crumbled feta cheese
- 3 T. finely chopped pine nuts
- 1/4 C. Panko or other dry bread crumbs
- 1 scant T. minced fresh thyme

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. In a sauté pan, heat 3 tablespoons of the olive oil. Sauté onions and fennel bulb until softened; lightly salt and pepper. Add garlic, anchovies and parsley; cook 2 minutes more while stirring. Remove from the heat.

Lightly oil a 2-3-quart baking dish with olive oil; spread the onion mixture in the bottom of the dish. Scatter to-matoes on top and season with salt and black pepper. Arrange the fish evenly on top of the tomatoes and scatter the basil and capers on top. Season this layer lightly with salt and pepper. Drizzle with the red wine. At this point you can cover with foil and refrigerate overnight. Before baking, fish top with the following mixture:

Finely crumble the feta cheese and drain on paper towels. In small bowl, combine with, pine nuts, bread-crumbs, thyme and 1 T. olive oil together to form a loose topping. Scatter evenly over the top of the casserole.

Bake for 30-35 minutes (40-45 if it has been refrigerated) or until the fish is done and the topping is a light golden brown.

This great casserole dish can be prepared ahead of time.





# Covid-Cova\* 19, or how to easily turn a lined & washed Bar Mitzvah yarmulke into a face mask!

- Yes it is permitted by the Rabbis at all local synagogues to make "simcha" masks
- · No it is not sterile or usable by medical personnel if there are other options
- Yes it is recommended by CDC that all people wear any facemask if possible



Cut lining and insert a filtering material (i.e.: #4 coffee filter)



Fold fabric and cut a hole on either side



Insert a rubber band, elastic or hair tie to attach to your ears

#### Glasses wearer? Insert a wire twist-tie to fit around the bridge of your nose. Glue works fine.

Ears not loving it? Use shoe laces and tie behind your head

Email Carol for help or to help make them for others <u>MStarArts@gmail.com</u>

\*Thanks to Orrin Zucker for the pictures and directions. Cova translates to hat in Hebrew. A cute name for a serious purpose

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