

June 2010

Sivan/Tamuz 5770



Newly installed FHL President Ray Moscoe addresses the Lodge for the first time at installation held at Beth Torah Synagogue on May 30. The theme for the evening was *Back to the Future*. For more photos from this fantastic event, please see inside.



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BINGO

We could use the help to run the bingo program at 4300 Bathurst Street. Please contact Irv Pupko. Our lodge will be in charge of the games the second Tuesday of each month starting at 7:25 p.m.

At A Glance

June 14	Dinner Meeting
September 13	Opening Meeting
October 2	Dinner Meeting
November 8	Dinner Meeting
December 6	Dinner Meeting
January 10	Dinner Meeting
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Kosher Food Bank

At our March meeting it was decided that **Forestdale Heights** will be supporting the Pride of Israel Kosher Food Bank, which serves between 135 and 145 people per week. Members are requested to bring an item of **non-perishable kosher food** to each lodge meeting. The food items should bear one of the **kosher certifications** (examples shown below). Donations of sealed toiletry items are also welcome. Donations will be collected at each meeting and delivered the following day by Carl Zeliger.



KOL ECHAD

Kol Echad is the official publication of Forestdale Heights Lodge. It is published 10 times a year. We welcome any and all articles or letters from members of the lodge and their families. All material submitted is subject to editing. The editor may consult with members of the bulletin committee regarding content suitability and editorial decisions.

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President's Pen: Installation Address



I have been an active member in Forestdale Heights Lodge for 43 years.... and they finally hooked me.

But joking aside, I am truly thankful and honoured to be standing here before you tonight (in my own shul).

I've chosen for tonight's theme "Back to the Future" for the two key words, Back and Future, represent what I would like to focus on for the next two years.

In the past we've had social programs, many baseball and hockey teams and most importantly, community volunteer programs some which we still continue.

Well, we may not be able to play on baseball and hockey teams any more, but there's still much we can do to revive social programs and especially focus on our community volunteer projects.

Just to refresh your memory, here are some of the Community Volunteer Service programs we participated in, both past and present.

* We bought a bus for Sunnyview School to service physically and mentally challenged children and we also ran monthly programs at the school.

* We initiated programs for Reena Foundation, taking children to baseball and hockey games. This volunteerism was emotionally rewarding for us while it also made a lot of children and their families happy.

* We drove for the Jewish blind, taking them to doctor's appointments and for visits with their relatives.

* We conducted Chanukah and Purim programs for Cheltenham's Seniors Home.

* We ran Christmas programs in needy areas which included some of us dressing up as Santa.

* We held BBQs for seniors and presently continue this program for seniors by running bingo nights.

* We still continue deliveries of Purim and Chanukah baskets for needy Jewish individuals and families in our community.

* Another one-of-a-kind program was for the Jewish Family & Child Services. It was held at Albert Ohana's beauty salon, Salon Piaff, in Yorkville. It was complete with staff to help underprivileged women get their hair done – at no cost. Some had not been to a hairdresser for 20 years. They left feeling like a million dollars and with a boost in their self esteem.

* And last but not least, an annual program that has become a tradition is the Purim Megillah Reading that we hold at B'nai B'rith Seniors' Home at 4300 Bathurst Street.

I'm mentioning all these fabulous volunteer programs, because I'm proud of our accomplishments and I want you to recall the great experiences we all shared. What makes our lodge so special is that we love to reach out and help those in need.

So what can we do to re-energize and get the ball rolling?

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Number 1) Set a plan to build membership.

Number 2) Recognize that we are a community service lodge, and the realities are that at this time of our lives, we may not have the energy or time to devote to running many projects. Not that we should stop important projects, however, I believe we can focus on one or two main charities that will become Forestdale Heights mainstay projects – ones we can work and build on.

When talking with members of other B'nai B'rith lodges, one of their main complaints is about communications and contact. We have not had that problem due to the dedicated efforts of Jeff Rosen and Harvey Silver in creating our fabulous communication tool, Kol Echad, on a monthly basis.

B'nai B'rith Canada has recognized Kol Echad as being the best website publication of all B'nai B'rith lodges across the country. We are proud of Jeff and Harvey's accomplishments. This vehicle for outreach can be of great service for our future growth.

We have a strong and committed core on which to build. I believe we can work to create an inviting environment for even more members to experience our family atmosphere and sense of belonging that we offer and enjoy.

We have a lot to do, but I know that together, we can go back to our roots, to gain

momentum and then leap forward to the future do even more great work.

B'nai B'rith means brothers of the covenant – which includes sisters as well. With the great amount of talent and experience in our small clan, we need to put our ideas together and find programs we can agree upon, ones that excite us. Let's concentrate on one or two projects while keeping in mind our goal to truly make a difference in people's lives.

The centerpieces on your table are food baskets that will be delivered to the Jewish food bank. The cans on the table are for any donations to The International Schizophrenia Foundation, – Rosalie's and my charity of choice – one that has made a difference and positive impact on our family.

This act of *tzedukah* – (charity) – is one of the tenants of Judaism and I believe with greater focus can help revitalize our group.

For the planning of tonight's beautiful evening, thank you to my wife Rosalie, and to Bonnie, Ruth, Lisa, Jeff, Harvey and my daughter Rhonda for their work in making this installation a success. For those lodge members who took part in tonight's program, thank you for your participation. And thanks to all of you for being here to share in this milestone evening with me. I truly appreciate it.

I wish everyone here good health and prosperity and together I know you join me in wishing for "Peace in Israel".

Ray Mescoe

Post Installation Note: Thanks to our new members George and Charlene Garten who took all the food baskets placed on the tables and around the room to the Jewish Food Bank at the Pride of Israel. Also, thank you so much to those who contributed to my and Rosalie's charitable organization of choice, the International Schizophrenia Foundation (ISF). \$115 was collected in the *tzedakah* cans that were placed on the tables. - Ray

Rosh Hashanah 5771



Kol Echad is currently planning our annual Rosh Hashanah Greetings issue.

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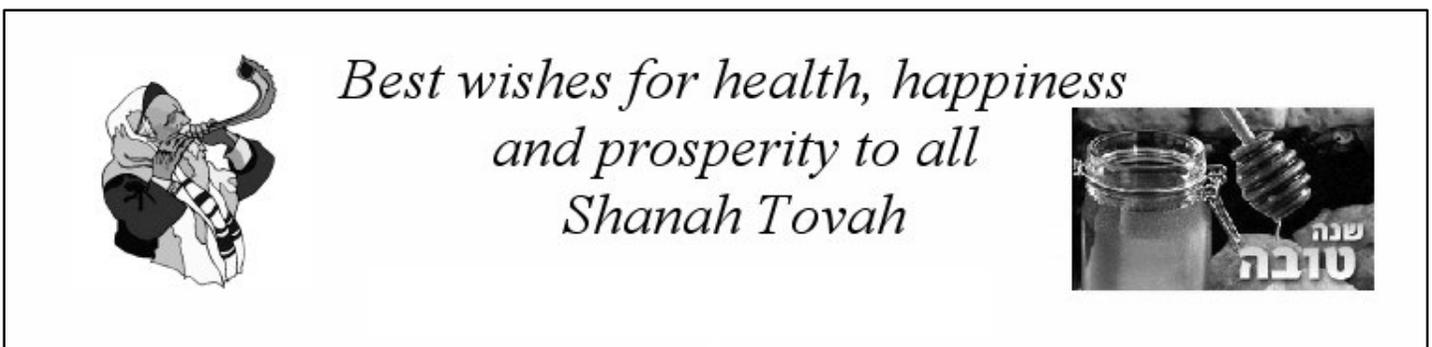
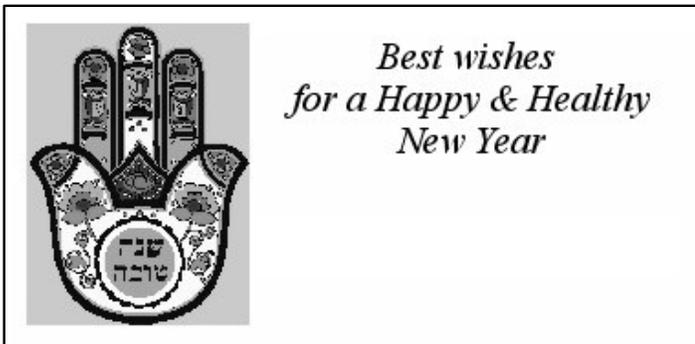
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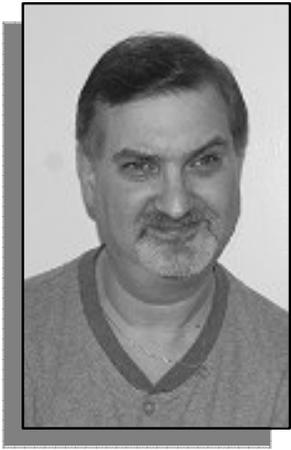


the summer. **Final deadline is July 31.**

Once you have decided on your greeting, please send wording to Jeff Rosen at jelijo@sympatico.ca. Payment can be made at a lodge meeting or sent to 150 Harris Way, Thornhill, L3T 5A8.



Editor's Desk



A year is a long time in the life of any publication and Kol Echad is certainly no exception. A year ago, I was proudly proclaiming a new age for our bulletin as we embraced a new colour format and welcomed a few new advertisers.

What a difference the past 12 months has made. The economy has certainly hit home as a number of advertisers have parted ways with us, while we have been unable to secure new ones.

At the same time, costs have continued to rise. To help contain costs, we have dropped mailings to our sports members.

As most of you know, we publish 10 full issues a year, plus a one page summer flyer listing lodge events happening during July and August. This year, we have decided to drop the summer flyer. Members are invited to check in to our website, www.kolechad.ca during the summer months to see what is happening in and around Forestdale Heights.

As a result of this change, all birthdays and anniversaries taking place during the summer months are being included in this issue. If we forgot someone, please let us know and we will attempt to remedy the omission at the first available opportunity.

Another change is an increase in the cost of placing a Rosh Hashanah greeting

in our September issue. (See elsewhere in bulletin for ad cost.)

This has proved a popular fundraising program in the past and I have no doubt that members will continue to support it.

Despite all the gloom and doom, we have managed to put out what I think is a top-notch publication this past year. A good part of its success is due to the lodge and its members. If the lodge has busy schedule, the bulletin reflects this.

Thanks go to Harvey Silver and Michael Pacter for making sure the bulletin gets mailed out. The best content is useless if people do not receive it.

Our columnists continue to make life *interesting* for me and the bulletin. Kudos to Irv Pupko, Bonnie Kates, Rosalie Moscoe and Elizabeth Bloom. Of course, where would we be without our longest-serving columnist, Nate Salter, who never fails to deliver despite dealing with his own health-related issues.

Last, but not least, thanks to my wife, Lisa, and Bonnie for helping edit this thing every month and providing important and necessary feedback and comments (whether I like them or not).

All of you are great and there would be no Kol Echad without you.

So, where do we go from here? I would hope another year of putting this publication out. Our new president, Ray Moscoe, has asked me to helm this bulletin.

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That makes 10 presidents (I started in 1991) who have ask me to take charge of lodge communications and I am truly humbled. What I have learned is that the lodge is a lot more interesting if you get involved in its day-to-day operations.

In the meantime, its time for me to take well-deserved rest from Kol Echad.

Watch for us in September when we publish our annual Rosh Hashanah Greetings issue. If you have not yet booked

your greeting, it is not too late to do so. Send your greeting to jelijo@sympatico.ca and we can settle up on the financial end in the fall.

Enjoy your summer and hope to see everyone in September.

Shalom

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- * Links to B'nai Brith web sites from around the world;**
- * World News and Sports;**
- * An up-to-date news feed;**
- * Jokes & Recipes**
- * Interesting and unusual items of interest under FYI**
- * An FHL Blog to allow members to comment on life in the lodge or anything that strikes their fancy.**

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We will be using this space for members who quite often want to get rid of something, yet lack a forum in which advertise it. If you have something you would like to sell, send us the information, and we will post it in print (and on the web if you wish). There is no cost for this public service and a notice can appear as long as you wish.

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Installation Wrap-up

FHL goes *Back to the Future*



For this year's installation, Ray Moscoe, combines one of his favourite movies and theme for this year's installation, *Back to the Future*.

Ray's vision takes us back to our roots - CVS

programs, while at the same time we leap forward to the future to build membership and to revitalize our CVS and social programming.

Enter into Beth Torah, (shul of the Moscoe family) - newly renovated, modern and inviting. At the door of the banquet hall is a large poster board from the second movie in the series featuring "Marty McFly" (Michael J. Fox) and "Doc Brown" (Christopher Lloyd) with their famous Dolorean (time machine) car. Upon entering, we hear familiar music from the movie. To drive home the experience, there are music notes on the doors, a large fringed banner *Back to the Future* poster that drapes the food table. At the bar, we notice a poster of a car from the 50's and at the podium, a large 33 LP record replica.

Six round tables are draped with pale yellow silk table cloths with centerpieces of cellophane wrapped food baskets, complete with colourful turquoise and

silver helium balloons reaching upward. The atmosphere is truly festive.

A fabulous, mouth watering, hot meat bar and Mediterranean dips with vegetables whets our appetite for the tantalizing meal to follow. (People line up for seconds!)

Michael Kates starts the program with a warm welcome to all. Bonnie Kates follows with a beautiful opening prayer.

Albert Ohana handily conducts the candle lighting ceremony and proud members light their candles.

Howard Moscoe makes the *motzi* and a delicious meal follows complete with salad, sesame fish or stuffed chicken, tender side dishes and wine. We dine with piano music playing in the background.

To capture Installation 2010 for all time, Jeff Rosen continually snaps his camera's shutter, so that the event has a feeling of 'a walk on the red carpet'.

Entertainment follows by Mysterion, mentalist and magician who keeps us spellbound. He blindfolds himself (with duct tape and two separate blindfolds.) No one can figure out how he recounts what items were collected from attendees. A receipt (pulled from the purse of Honey Ohana) is put into his hand and he proceeds to guess the name and type of

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store and correctly gives the exact amount of the purchase! Our jaws drop as Mysterion twists an ordinary fork with his mind.

Sweet table follows with fruit and goodies complete with a mazel tov cake for Ray.

As Irv Pupko, president for the past two years, could not be at the installation, Ruth Pupko delivers her husband's sincere, heartfelt, outgoing speech. Ruth recounts in Irv's speech the many good deeds conducted through CVS programs and his pride for of all the activities including social programs and guest speakers at meetings and his hopes for the future.

Nate Salter de-installs the present officers of the lodge and then installs the new officers.

Toronto City Councillor Howard Moscoe happily presents his brother with a certificate from Toronto City Council, signed by Mayor David Miller and himself, wishing warm congratulations to Ray on his election as President to Forestdale Heights lodge and wishes him much success.

Long time friend, Nate Salter introduces Ray Moscoe who gives his acceptance. Ray reminds us to remember our CVS

roots, and recounts many of the great past programs such as buying a bus for Sunnyview School for physically and mentally handicapped children, driving for the Jewish blind and other present programs. He suggests keeping some of the smaller programs as we focus on one or two major projects.

Ray gives thanks to all those who participated in the evening's events and to all members and guests in attendance. To a standing ovation and hugs from family, Ray shakes hands with all who wish him mazel tov.

I present Ruth Pupko with a gift of appreciation for her term as the president's wife and extol Ruth for her continued giving and caring work for the lodge.

Comments from attendees include: "fabulous night", "great food", "a warm and *fralich* night", "fun evening", "feeling of comradery", "like a family simcha", "good feeling in the room".

People linger, – inspired, setting the tone for the next two years ahead for Forestdale Heights Lodge.

Rosalie Moscoe

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At left: the "First Family" Rhonda, Darren, Rosalie and Ray Moscoe



There were smiles all around as FHL held its 44th annual installation on Sunday, May 30 at Beth Torah Synagogue. Michael Kates, second row at left, welcomed everyone, while Albert Ohana, first row, at right, led the menorah lighting.

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Some of the many members who were honoured during the menorah lighting ceremony. Below, kosher food baskets were on each table.





Ruth Pupko, above, read outgoing president's address for her husband Irv and presented awards to Harvey Silver, above right, and Jeff Rosen, right. Below, trustees are installed.



INSTALLATION 2018

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Nate Salter and
Bonnie Kates help
install the new
executive.



Outgoing President's Address

Read by Ruth Pupko

Welcome to the 44th annual installation of Forestdale Heights Lodge. I would like to welcome Ruth's sister Liliane and her husband Gary Budd and all of the guests of our incoming President, Ray Moscoe.

This past year has seen some changes in the Lodge, both positive and negative. We had guest speakers at four of our monthly meetings, a sizeable increase over the past couple of years. In November, Lesley Belows, from the City of Toronto Department of Public Health, spoke to the Lodge about the facts and fictions concerning the H1N1/Swine Flu "crisis". While there was a lot of public information available, Lesley explained what was really going on, how to stay healthy, and what to expect in the future.

In February, Alex Gropper, a teacher at CHAT, a columnist for *The Canadian Jewish News*, and the president of the Society for Mediterranean Studies spoke to the Lodge about the process of getting the Dead Sea Scrolls to Toronto. While most of us had seen the display and knew something about the history of their discovery, few of us knew how they actually got to Toronto, and Alex explained his role as a leader in that process. Especially interesting were the many little "coincidences," such as the scrolls being discovered on exactly the same day as the UN voted to establish the State of Israel.

Continuing on, in March Rabbi Yechiel Benayon explained to us the differences and similarities in the customs of Sephardic and Ashkenazi Jews, particularly at Pesach. While some of us were aware of some differences (some eat rice, some don't), most of us did not know why the customs were different, or that

even among the Ashkenazim and Sephardim, customs vary from country to country. Rabbi Benayon's talk went a long way to explaining these differences.

Finally, in April, the Lodge viewed the movie *Conflict: The Power of Propaganda*. This movie showed in stark detail the propaganda war being waged by the Palestinians against Israel. Even to us, who thought we knew what was going on in the Middle East, the movie was shocking and terrifying. We have seen the results of revisionist history before and we are seeing it again today.

As a result of these programs, attendance at the Lodge meetings was the best it has been in a long while, with almost 100 % of our active members attending. Thanks to Bonnie Kates, Jeff Rosen, Barry Gordon (and myself) for making arrangements for the speakers. It will be a challenge to our incoming president, Ray Moscoe, to continue to bring in speakers of interest, but I know that with input from the membership, he will be up to the task.

Other programs to which the Lodge has been committed continued with much success. Jeff Rosen, Harvey Silver and a host of columnists continue to provide both a print and electronic version of *Kol Echad* which are unsurpassed. Carl Zeligler once again made arrangements for our annual Megillah reading at 4300 Bathurst Street, with many members and their families helping to serve the residents. It is sad, however, to see the number of residents participating actually dropping. This year we continued to provide, along with Don Mills Lodge, a weekly bingo also for the residents at 4300 Bathurst Street.

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Many thanks to those who helped out: Sandy and Barry Gordon, Ray and Rosalie Moscoe, Ruth Pupko, and especially to Richard Kotzen who has participated every month. More thanks to Michael Kates for his continuing help with the B'nai Brith Chanukah and Purim parcel deliveries; to Harvey Silver for arranging for the delivery of boxes of cookies to EMS workers during the Christmas holidays; to Harvey Silver, Michael Kates, and Jeff Rosen for showing up at 7:00 a.m. on a cold October Sunday morning to help at the Toronto Marathon. On the social side, thanks to Bonnie Kates for once again making the arrangements for our outing to Woodbine Racetrack.

Of course, all of these programs take planning and much of this is done at our monthly meetings. Attendance this year has been excellent, partly because of the speakers, partly because of the excellent dinners arranged for by Albert Ohana and Harvey Silver, but mostly because we like each other and this is an opportunity for us to get together on a regular basis, have a relaxing evening together, and actually get some work done.

As you can see, CVS is the theme of our Lodge, but CVS requires two things: money and commitment. Our main source of funds has been the sale of Entertainment Books and Stan Horowitz and Michael Kates have done an excellent job coordinating the sales. But unfortunately, sales are declining as many other groups are getting involved and are undercutting the "official" price. So we are forced to find other funding. Two years ago Rosalie Moscoe generously donated the proceeds from the sale of her book to the Lodge. Also two years ago, Bonnie Kates and Jeff Rosen designed Lodge tribute cards which members can buy and send to someone to

celebrate a simcha. This year, Bonnie Kates arranged for us to sell musical cake knives. All of these raised some much needed funds, but we need more, so it will be up to Ray, his executive and Lodge members to come up with some new ideas.

The second component of CVS is commitment of the membership. It is disappointing that membership participation in our programs is declining. Whether this is a sign of an aging group, more grandchildren to spend time with, or simply indifference I don't know. But the facts are that we put money into an account for donations to needy groups and the money is not spent because no one makes any suggestions. The facts are that we make donations to B'nai Brith Canada for Chanukah and Purim parcels for needy families, and only Michael Kates shows up to help (this is not only a Forestdale Heights problem). To quote Michael in his Kol Echad article: "Maybe we have to start shaking things up a bit, make people feel more enthusiastic to do CVS. Isn't that what the backbone of Forestdale Heights has been all about? We used to be the C.V.S. Lodge of the region." This shows up not only in CVS While the Woodbine social was well attended, the number of FHL members who were there decreased from the previous year. It seemed as if we were running a program for guests. This is not only an FHL problem. At the monthly Toronto Regional Coordinating Committee meetings all the lodges complain about an aging and declining membership and are looking for solutions.

So here is your challenge Ray: to find a way to revitalize the Lodge, to get members interested in CVS and social activities again.

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You have an excellent, experienced executive to work with, and a membership which, I believe, will participate in programs that are new and challenging (hence, interesting). With everyone's help, new ideas and new programs can be found.

In closing, I need to say thank you to many people: To Ray and Harvey for taking over on those days when I couldn't get to a meeting. They did an excellent job of keeping things going smoothly. To my unofficial advisors, Bonnie, Jeff, and Albert for their suggestions during the last two years when I wasn't sure what to do – I didn't always agree with them, but their input always helped put issues in perspective. Of course, the official though unappointed advisor was Ruth who always "suggested" what I should do whether I asked or not. But she was always there when I needed her, always supportive, always understanding. She made the tough times of the last few years much easier to deal with, and I can never thank her enough.

A few years ago, Forestdale Heights Lodge honoured two outstanding members for their contributions to the Lodge. Unfortunately, these awards have not been presented for the past few years, and last year I said that I hoped to reinstitute the awards this year.

The Norm Aronson Award is given to the member of the Lodge who has contributed in all aspects of Lodge activities. It was very difficult to decide on this year's recipient because there are many who contribute to the success of the Lodge, but this year the Norm Aronson Award is given to Jeff Rosen. Jeff

this year has been Lodge historian and has taken many pictures to record our activities. He has been a participant in the Toronto Marathon and Megillah programs. He has provided me with much valuable advice. But mostly, Jeff is communications. Not only does he maintain the Lodge website and the electronic and print versions of Kol Echad but he also is responsible for getting information to the membership, whether it is a reminder about meetings, an announcement of programs by other lodges, or anything else that members need to know. Jeff gets it done. Congratulations to Jeff as this year's Norm Aronson Award winner.

The Al Reiter Award is given to the member of the Lodge who has made the greatest contribution to the Lodge CVS programs. This was an impossible decision, but in the end a decision had to be made and the recipient of this year's Al Reiter Award is Harvey Silver. Harvey has been the heart of CVS for many years. He has participated in Lodge programs and for the past couple of years he organized the Lodge's EMS program and the Lodge's participation in the Toronto Marathon. Congratulations to Harvey as this year's Al Reiter Award winner.

So now I need a vacation, and I have already had Nate sign a couple of blank cheques. See you in June.

Irvo Pupko

FHL President 2008-2010

As I See It



He's a cutie, putootie. He's charming, good looking, and a man who can think on his feet. He's taller than I thought, and has a casual relaxed look to his persona. He is a

husband, a father, a member of the legislature, and spent the first 13 years of his life growing up at 21 Sussex Place. He is the eldest son of Canada's second longest sitting Prime Minister, Pierre Trudeau. Who am I talking about; Justin Trudeau.

He possesses his father's charisma and I like him a lot. He has a vision for the country. He believes in this country. He speaks about how he knows he was raised with privilege, and goes on to remind his audience that it truly is a privilege to be living in Canada. He easily chats about the quality of our healthcare system, our Canadian education and the banking system that we can count on for stability.

He is presently serving in Parliament as the opposition critic of Multiculturalism and youth. His vision is to engage the youth and to really listen to what they really have to say. The one thing Trudeau would love to see young people do is to take more time to discover themselves, and

to really explore what they really believe in. He said young people must broaden their understanding now, in order to be successful later. It is almost cliché to call the youth the future of Canada, but Canada's future depends on them and the values that you choose to live by.

As a high school teacher, with a Masters of Education, he served as the Director of Katmivik. He encourages the youth to volunteer, to travel across Canada, with stops in different parts of the country to help communities and youths at risk. He believes in this programme as it develops leadership skills, improving their French language, while encouraging and safeguarding the environment. They learn about cultural diversity and the multicultural make up of this great land of ours, celebrating our differences and enjoying our commonality.

When asked by the audience, if he had any expectations to become Prime Minister. He answered, "Right now I am the member of parliament for Papineau. I'm still new at the job and learning my way around. Maybe down the road, I might consider it, but right now, I am serving the people of my riding, and listening to the concerns, and issues of Canadians, as I travel across the country talking to them".



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Justin was in town to share the podium with the Liberal hopeful, Thornhill candidate, Karen Mock. What a dynamic duo the two of them are. With her experience in writing government policy on diversity, racism, and human rights, our country is in very capable hands. He

embraces the multicultural mosaic of our youth, and she embraces and writes the policies for the citizens, to enforce these concepts. On the world stage, multicultural Canada is the model for the whole to emulate. At this moment, I am one very proud Jewish-Canadian.

Bonnie Kates

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Notes from Nate



Oy was that a *party!!!*
OY DID WE
fress!!! Keninah Horra,
didn't we look on in
amazement at the
entertainment and POOH,
POOH, POOH was
everybody all *farpritzed*
in their finest *shmatas*

they should look good for Rompin' Raymond's installation. I got to admit some of you *boychicks* and *maidelech* clean up not so bad and in fact I couldn't recognize a couple of you with your clothes on. *Gevalt*, that didn't come out right but you know what I mean.

All kidding aside, what a pleasure to see my dear friend and long time Forestdalenik Ray Moscoe assume the presidency. What a joy to know that now poor old Irv will finally be able to finally say those famous words "when I was president" knowing that under his superb leadership and thoughtful approach our lodge stayed on a stable course and a good year was had by all. In fact this is a good time for this *alta kakker* to take his hat off to all of those who served on last year's executive. You made the past year happen and continued to build our traditions.

A few days before installation, I was fortunate to have Ray come to visit me in Beautiful Downtown Thornhill and we spent some quality time talking about the direction he would like to take the lodge in the coming year. Since we have both been

in the lodge for the past four decades, we talked about what life was like for ourselves and our fellow members back in the day. We compared that to our members today, many at the end of their working careers and many with grown adult children and grandchildren, who are the light of their lives.

We concluded that the reality is that we have little if anything in common with twenty somethings of today but what we do have is the ability to share lodge events with our grandchildren, such as our Chanukah parties and family picnics to name but a few. What we need however is for all of our members to reach out to their own families and convince them to join us for this type of event with the grand children. What may surprise some of the mummies and daddies of today is meeting those who they shared similar events with when they were little and who knows where that can take us as far a renewed interest in being a part of our lodge.

All I know is that my old buddy Ray has an interesting challenge ahead of him in the coming year, but with the support of his new executive and our willing membership, he will be the man to make things happen. Better than that I promised him not to even consider impeachment procedures until he at least has had enough time to make the President's chair warm. That is what friends are for.

Nate Salter

Good & Welfare

Birthdays

Harvey Silver	June 6
Jeff Rosen	June 12
Harold Cohen	June 23
Irv Pupko	June 27
Bonnie Kates	July 24
Lisa Rosen	July 30
Charlene Garten	August 2
Stan Zeliger	August 19



Anniversaries

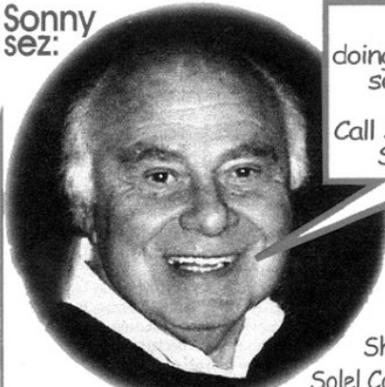
George & Charlene Garten	June 2
Carl & Debbie Zeliger	June 8
Bonnie & Michael Kates	June 10
Sandy & Barry Gordon	June 15
Ray & Rosalie Moscoe	June 21
Ivan & Elizabeth Bloom	June 27
Harold & Noreen Cohen	June 27
Marc & Anna Pollock	June 29
Irv & Ruth Pupko	June 30
Stan & Carol Udell	June 30
Michael & Carol Pacter	July 2
Albert & Honey Ohana	August 15
Stan & Janet Zeliger	August 16



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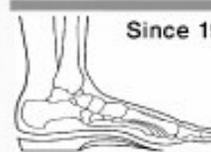
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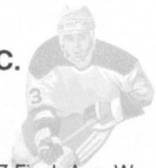
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