June 2019

Next Meeting —June 2, 2019—installation of Officers for next Program Year Gala Brunch at Leisure //Meeting at Ring House to have Car Pools. Reservations Required.





#### **POST 692**

#### NEWSLETTER

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**EWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** 

#### Commander's Corner



Joe Fridling JWV Post 692

My Memories of a Child Holocaust Survivor

On May 14, 1948, Israel declared its Independence. Exactly one year later, my family and I entered New York Harbor.

As a small child between the ages of 7, I became cognizant of events that took place.

After the war the entire family, my Dad, Mom, my younger sister, and I went to the displaced persons camp - Schlachtensee - located in Berlin.

I remember my Mom sent me to get a loaf of bread. It was a hard bread, probably a pumpernickel. As I was walking home, I started to eat the inside of the bread. By the time a got home, the bread was hollow. My Mom just looked at me and smiled.

I went to a movie by myself. I bought a ticket and entered the theatre. I didn't immediately take

a seat cause I wanted to see the entire movie from the beginning. When the movie ended, and the people walked out I joined them by mistake So, I didn't see the movie.

I remember seeing a man walking in the middle of the street in Berlin crying. The skin on his forehead was hanging from his hairline to his eyebrows. The blood was dripping down his face.

No one came to his aid. My dad was with me. The bloody man was a CAPO – a Jewish person chosen by the Nazi's to enforce Nazi rules and discipline. That's why no one came to his aid.

During the "Berlin Airlift", the plane that my family and I were flying in, became loud and as I found out later, the plane developed engine trouble and went back to Berlin. By the way, not a single plane carrying survivors crashed during the airlift. We boarded another plane and landed in Landsberg, Germany in August 1948.

#### **EVENTS**

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Our Post is busy with three events on our agenda.in the closing days of our program year.

- This Memorial Day Post Event if the Third Annual Memorial Day at the Bender JCC at 2:30 PM. This is how this Post honors the fallen heroes and those from our ranks who served with pride. Details follow on page three.
- In recent memory we have not held a joint event with Post 567 at Leisure World. This gala Brunch costs \$10 with the excess borne by our Post treasury. This event is covered on Page four. June 2, 2019
- The last event is my favorite. It is the Departmental Convention for the State of Maryland. This an opportunity see old friends and see what the other Posts are doing. June 23, 2019
- When food is involved reservations are a must so food is not wasted



### THIRD ANNUAL JWV POST 692 MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM



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#### "TRUE HONOR"

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#### **Upcoming JWV Meetings**

Year Post Meeting Dates	Post 692 Events and Other Important Events
May 26, 2019	Post 692 Memorial Day Celebration at the Bender JCC; Entertainment
June 2, 2019	Joint Meet With Post 567 Transportation is being provided to Leisure World
June 23, 2019	Maryland Departmental Convention at the VFW Owings Mills, MD Post 521

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Event 1) June 2, 2019 at 10:15 at Leisure World with Post 567. They have a fabulous brunch that cost them \$14 per head but our Post will cover all the higher costs. Cost for our people \$10. Reservations are a must. Also if you can provide transportation to Leisure World that would be helpful as we are expecting a large group. Reservations call in by May 29, 2019. Co-ordination of this event is Marsh Sneiderman, Junior Vice Commander — onelowbid@aol.com

We will need to depart Ring House at 9:45. Post 567 is in charge of the program. The installation



Marsh Sneiderman, Junior Vice Commander Post 692 (301) 469 5860

of the Post officers separately by Col. Erwin Burtnick, the Departmental Commander. Sheldon Goldberg will discuss the film "Spirit, Courage and Conviction" Jewish Military Service from the Revolutionary War to the present day.

Call for your reservations

Menu for Brunch at Lieisure World

Eggs, tuna fish, lox, bagel, salads, coffee, Danish and more.

#### **Maryland Department Convention**

Maryland Department Convention will take place June 23, 2019 at the VFW Post 521 Social Hall at 214 S Tollgate Rd, Owings Mills. Start Time 9:30.

This convention brings the JWV Posts throughout Maryland for the only inclusive meeting of the JWV.

A Kosher Brunch catered in and an impressive flag ceremony honoring our members who have died since the last convention. The post covers the entire brunch cost.

There is a factual Veterans' Affairs Update as to how the VA is meeting the challenges of growing needs and tighting fiscal budgets.

Post 692 will be interested in the VA s approach on suicide rate among the ranks of the younger vets.

Marshall Sneiderman <u>onelowbid@aol.com</u> or (301) 469 5860 will be coordinate transportation from the Ring House. Call for registration during the period June 15 through June 21. We need to advise the Department how many of us are coming.

#### **Tentative Memorial Day Program**

Welcome - LTCOL Sheldon Goldberg, USAF Retired

Invocation - Rabbi Kavka

National Anthem - Kassie Sandacz

Pledge of Allegiance – Joe Fridling, Post 692 Commander

Introduction of Guests VIP's - LTCOL Sheldon Goldberg, USAF Retired

#### **Special Guests**

Mr. Joe Fridling, Commander, JWV Post 692 (speak)

(Mr. Fred Shapiro, Commander Post 567)

(Mr. Scott Schlessinger, Commander, Post 360)

Mr. Marc Elrich, Montgomery County Executive (speak)

Ms. Bridget Newton, Mayor of Rockville (speak)

Ms. Beryl Feinstein, Rockville City Council (speak?)

Rabbi Irving Elson, Chairman, JWB Chaplain's Council (speak)

Mr. Michael Feinstein, CEO, Bender JCC (speak)

Introduction of Keynote Speaker – LTCOL Sheldon Goldberg, USAF Retired

COL Erwin Burtnick, Commander, Department of Maryland, JWV

Presentation of Governor's Proclamation – LTCOL Sheldon Goldberg, USAF Retired

COL Erwin Burtnick and Joe Fridling

Introduction of Voices of Vets., Inc

Musical Medley

**Benediction** – Rabbi Irving Elson

Blowing of the Shofar - Rabbi Paul Levenson







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