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# REMAINING SHABBAT WEEKEND

Led by Religious Educator, Sue Potechin

1. May 14-15, 2021

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# Congregation Iyr Ha-Melech

#### SERVICE WEEKEND

Led by Rabbi William S. Tepper Study Session

Friday April 16 at 7:30pm

Topic: Justice, Goodness and Humility What, When, Where, Why and How

As we approach summer, and look ahead to a time - we fervently hope - without COVID, how may we resolve to lead lives imbued with Justice, Goodness and Humility - as Jews and members of the larger community that is our home? Our Hebrew Prophet Micah's great words - You have been told, friend, what God requires of you: only to do justice, love goodness and walk humbly with your God. Then will your name achieve wisdom [6:8-9] - will guide us, together with commentaries and illustrations both new and newer.

### **Shabbat Day Service**

Saturday April 17 at 10:00am

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8614748169?pwd= Rmdwajh3Y3FkQXpRcGRwTVFBK2lzZz09

Meeting ID: 861 474 8169 Passcode: IHM613YKG Find your local number:

https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kdltqBql1x

# **Learning Program**

Friday April 30 at 7:00pm

Led by Religious Educator Sue Potechin and Rabbi William S Tepper The song, "Yerushalayim Shel Zahav". Save the Date. More info to come.

## **Closed Captioning**

We are tapped into ZOOM's built in closed captioning feature. There is no need to register or log into the service. If you require any help with ZOOM please contact Richard at <a href="mailto:ivrhamelech@gmail.com">ivrhamelech@gmail.com</a>.

#### **WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP**

#### ...and Book Club

**Next Event** 

Date: Monday, April 12, 2021
Title: A Fortunate Life
Author: Ruth Dukas
Hosted By: Ruth Dukas
\*\*\* NOTE NEW TIME

#### Join Zoom Meeting at 3:30pm

Date: Monday, May 10, 2021

Title: The Gown: A Novel Of The Royal Wedding

Author: Jennifer Robson

ISBN-10: ISBN-10: 0062674951

ISBN-13: ISBN-13: 978-0062674951

Hosted By: Elaine

Date: Monday, June 14, 2021
Event: 2021 – 2022 Book Selection

Hosted By: Farzy Cohanim

# MEN'S GROUP

#### Thursday April 29, 7:00pm

We'll use ZOOM, as physical distancing is not likely to lift by then. We always have lively discussions. Please join us!

#### Join Women's or Men's Zoom Meeting With our Personal ID and Link

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86147481 69?pwd=REsvZ0lxZC9YVEwyR3UzV Fo4elZWQT09

Meeting ID: 861 474 8169 Passcode: IHM5781 <u>Dial by your location.</u> Find your local number:

https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kcLLmskOXy



# MAY PRINCE PHILIP'S MEMORY BE A BLESSING.

Normally, I leave matters of world news to more widely read publications, but this seemed like something worth sharing with the congregation.

The British Royal Family announced the death of 99-year-old Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, husband of Queen Elizabeth, on Friday. The Royal Family is joined by people around the world in mourning his loss. Prince Philip's funeral will be held on April 17, 2021.

"My deepest condolences and heartfelt sympathy to HM Queen Elizabeth II, HRH The Prince of Wales, the Royal Family and the people of the United Kingdom" tweeted Israeli President Reuven Rivlin, adding: "May his memory be a blessing".

A Greek prince, Philip married the queen in 1947, and had been by her side throughout her reign. Philip served the people of the United Kingdom with honor and devotion. He was a man of determination, and will be remembered for his lifetime of service to the people of the UK.

The consummate public servant who will be missed in Israel and across the world. Philip's support for Jewish and pro-Israel causes ran deep. His mother, Princess Alice of Greece, sheltered a Jewish family during the Holocaust and is recognized as one of fewer than 30,000 "Righteous Among The Nations" by Yad Vashem, Israel's official Holocaust memorial and museum.

This was noted in the condolence statement of **Jewish** Agency Chairman Herzog's, Isaac when he tweeted that the "Duke of Edinburgh was part of a generation who fought the Nazis in His mother was a 'Righteous Among the Nations'. May his memory be a blessing". Yamina head Naftali Bennett tweeted alongside his condolences that, "As the son of a 'Righteous Among the Nations', and as one dedicated to the British people, he will be remembered with affection."

Philip's four sisters each married German nobles, at least three of whom became Nazis. But the prince, educated in Britain, joined the allied war effort. As an adult, he showed little patience for Nazi collaborators; he was instrumental in making a pariah of his wife's uncle Edward, who after abdicating the throne dallied with Nazi Germany.

The prince, who had a passion for environmental preservation, spoke multiple times at Jewish and pro-Israel occasions including Jewish National Fund events. He lent his royal sponsorship to other Jewish events. He came under attack in the 1960s for speaking to pro-Israel groups – and, being famously impervious to critic-ism, ignored the attacks.

At Yad Vashem, Philip planted a maple tree in memory of his mother, who was married to Prince Andrew of Greece and helped shelter three members of the family of a late Greek-Jewish politician in her Athenian palace. The Gestapo was suspicious of Alice, even questioning her, but the princess, who was deaf, pretended

not to understand their questions. She later became a nun.

"The Holocaust was the most horrific event in all Jewish history, and it will remain in the memory of all future generations," Philip said at the time. "It is, therefore, a very generous gesture that also remembered here are the many millions of non-Jews, like my mother, who shared in your pain and anguish and did what they could in small ways to alleviate the horror."

The 1994 Israeli visit broke with what was then an unofficial but nonetheless binding ban on royals traveling to Israel, in the years that predated the establishment of the State of Israel, in what had been the **British Mandate over Palestine** before 1948. For all its trappings, Philip's 1994 visit was in a personal capacity. The Royal House ended its policy on official visits to Israel in 2018, after William's visit to Jerusalem, the Palestinian Authority and Jordan.

Philip's retirement from public life in 2017 triggered an outpouring of plaudits for a life well-lived from Jewish groups and leaders. Those groups expressed grief upon his death Friday. Philip's life "was spent in public service, from his active duty in the Navy during World War II to the tens of thousands of engagements which he carried out over six and a half decades of royal duties," the president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, Marie van der Zyl, wrote in a statement.

Reuters and Herb Keinon contributed to this World News report.