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## Latest Polls Show Big Win for Netanyahu in Upcoming Election



Israeli Education Minister Naftali Bennett (R) and Justice Minister Ayelet Shaked, from Jewish Home. Photo: REUTERS/Corinna Kern.

BY BENJAMIN  
KERSTEIN

One day after Education Minister Naftali Bennett and Justice Minister Ayelet Shaked shook up Israeli politics by splitting from their Jewish Home party to form the "New Right" party, two new polls show very different public responses to the surprise move.

A survey by the Hebrew news

site *Walla* shows Bennett and Shaked's party coming in fifth with ten seats, while their former party Jewish Home would collapse, gaining only four seats compared to its current eight.

Another poll, however, conducted by Israel's *Hadashot* news, showed divergent results, indicating that Jewish Home without Bennett and Shaked would take eight seats, while their New Right party would take only six.

Both polls indicated a big win for Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his Likud party, showing Likud comfortably in first place with 28 seats. The *Walla* poll showed Yair Lapid's Yesh Atid party in second place with 15 seats while the *Hadashot* poll predicted Yesh Atid would take 12.

The *Walla* poll also showed an erosion in support for former IDF chief of staff Benny Gantz's

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## In Brazil, Netanyahu Meets With Israel Allies

BY JNS.org

Ahead of Tuesday's inauguration of Jair Bolsonaro as Brazil's 38th president, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his wife, Sara, met on Sunday with Christian friends of Israel and the Jewish community in the South American country.

"We have no better friends in the world than the evangelical community, and the evangelical community has no better friend in the world than the State of Israel," said Netanyahu, who also remarked that Jews and Christians share history, values and heritage.



Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu addresses members of Brazil's Jewish community on Dec. 30, 2018. Photo: Avi Ohayon / GPO.

"And when you come to Israel today, you see a country that welcomes you as brothers and sisters. You see a country that values religious freedom. You see a country that is pride of our past and carries our values to the future," said the prime minister. "You see a country where the ideal was that every person is born in the Image of God. This is the original idea of equality, in the ancient world, thousands of years ago."

"These are the values that produced our modern civilization. And they're anchored in the faiths that we hold dear,"

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## Opinion.

# Ten New York Times Journalists Accuse Israel of 'Possibly a War Crime'



IRA STOLL  
BOSTON

The New York Times devoted a lot of resources to its investigative project about the death of a 20-year-old Gaza medic named Rouzan al-Najjar. The article runs at the top of the front page of the Sunday newspaper and then consumes an additional three full broadsheet pages inside. It carries the front-page bylines of five Times reporters (at least one a veteran of Al Jazeera) and also credits inside an additional five named Times journalists and a photographer.

Alas, however, rather than being a Times tour de force, a display of the newspaper at its best, the article ends up as a flop, a demonstration of the Times at its worst. The Times may use thousands of words, millions of dollars worth of highly paid journalists, and elaborate computer graphics to convey its message. But strip away the attempt at a dignified presentation, and the message is effectively the same as a sign scrawled by some ignorant far-left or far-right Israel-hater at some extremist Christmas-season rally — Jews, this libel goes, are guilty, blood-drenched killers.

The problems with the article begin with the front-page subheadline: "Israel Killed a Medic. Was It an Accident?" Journalism is

supposed to answer questions, not interrogate readers. Usually the question headline is a veil for journalism that falls short of reaching a conclusion. In this case, the Times wants to accuse Israel of murdering this woman, but it can't quite prove its case, so it hides behind the question headline.

It's not only punctuation marks that the Times uses to perform this two-step move of accusing Israel of murder while not quite coming all the way out and forthrightly saying so. The Times also hides behind the weasel word "possibly." A graphic claims "a New York Times investigation shows that the shooting appears to have been reckless at best, and possibly a war crime," language that is repeated in the article. As a reader, I want the Times to report on what happened, not on what "possibly" happened. Otherwise, there'd be no end to speculative Times articles. If ten Times journalists can't find a genuine war crime, just "possibly" a war crime, possibly they should find something else to write about.

The Times poses as evenhanded. "Each side is locked into an unending and insoluble cycle of violence," the Times claims, using a cliché of moral equivalence. It adopts an above-the-fray pose, like the umpire at a tennis match: "To the Palestinians, she was an innocent martyr killed in cold blood...To the Israelis, she was part of a violent protest aimed at destroying their country."

But a closer examination shows the Times isn't really evenhanded at all.

The Times, for example, describes Israel as "the far stronger party" relative to the Palestinians. But there are somewhere between 1.5 billion and 1.8 billion Muslims in the world, and around 14 million Jews. There are about 50 Muslim-majority countries, and one small Jewish state. The Muslims also have a lot of the oil. It may be convenient for the Times to stir sympathy for the Palestinians by depicting them as the underdogs, but it's not as clear-cut a factual matter as the Times describes it.

The Times describes the conflict as "insolvable," but it also complains that Israel "continues to focus on containment rather than finding a solution." It seems unfair to criticize Israel for failing to solve a problem that the Times itself concedes is "insolvable."

Another sign of Times bias is the way it uses language to exculpate Palestinian Arab terrorism. The Times reports, "rocket attacks and bombings after the Second Intifada erupted in 2000 prompted Israel to cordon off the strip and eventually abandon its settlements there." Later on in the story the Times writes, "then came the rockets," as if the rockets just arrived on their own, immaculately. The rocket attacks and bombings just "erupted" on their own, to hear the Times tell it, rather than being launched or perpetrated by Palestinians with violent, murderous intent. The Times doesn't tell us about the victims of those rocket attacks and bombings. It is, however, happy to dwell on "the Palestinian death toll" of "victims" in Gaza protests. Writes the



Palestinian rioters on the Israel-Gaza Strip border, Oct. 12, 2018. Photo: Reuters / Ibraheem Abu Mustafa.

Times, "the victims include two women and 32 children. Journalists. A double-amputee in a wheelchair..." How sexist and able-ist of the usually hyper-woke Times to imply that women or amputees can't be formidable combatants. Sheik Yassin, the founder of Hamas, was a quadriplegic, but that didn't make him any less evil or deadly.

Nor is this the only way that the Times violates its own liberal principles in its depiction of Gaza. Writing about Rouzan al-Najjar's aunt being pushed down a staircase by Rouzan al-Najjar's grandmother, the Times reports of the aunt, "Both she and the fetus she was carrying were killed." Never mind that the entire editorial column of Sunday's Times is devoted to the first in a multipart series reporting that "the creation of the legal scaffolding for the idea that the fetus is a person has been the steady work of the anti-abortion movement" and about "a deep shift

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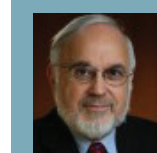
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# No Palestinian-Israeli Peace in 2019 — but Here Are Some Developments We Can Expect



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LOS ANGELES

For Israel, 2019 will likely bring great achievements but also great disappointments. The achievements will include: continued growth of Israel's innovation economy; increased tourism; and development of a broad range of new inventions, along with drugs and devices to help people deal with many severe health issues.

The disappointments will include: continued Iranian-induced terrorist attacks and looming threats of war; endless hostility from the halls of the United Nations and the European Parliament; and the continued Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement — waging asymmetrical economic and cultural warfare — seeking to demonize, isolate, and ultimately eliminate the Jewish state.

Despite the best efforts of President Trump, his senior advisers and son-in-law Jared Kushner to come up with a peace plan acceptable to the Palestinians and Israelis, they are taking on an impossible task at a time of new elections and political upheaval in Jerusalem, and an aging, corrupt, and unrepresentative Palestinian leadership in Ramallah.

Make no mistake: Israelis yearn for the day when their 18-year-olds no longer have to devote two years of their young lives to put themselves in harm's way. They want to live in

peace with their Arab neighbors.

Israel today provides its Arab citizens, who comprise nearly one-fifth of the population, with more rights and a higher living standard than are enjoyed in Arab nations. But continuing Palestinian terrorism at its southern and northern borders — and in the West Bank — forces Israel to take significant security precautions, as any nation would when faced with similar threats.

Mahmoud Abbas' Palestinian Authority (PA) is holding out for impossible demands in any peace treaty, including the "right of return" for any Palestinian who left Israel when the Jewish state was created in 1948 — plus all their millions of descendants. No Israeli government will ever accept the "right of return" poison pill that would create an Arab majority overnight and spell the end of the lone, democratic Jewish state.

The PA also demands the return of every square inch of territory that Israel captured in the 1967 Six-Day War, leaving Israel with what Abba Eban, the late Israeli foreign minister, called indefensible "Auschwitz borders" — and without much of its historic capital and its



Cars drive on a highway as a train enters a station in Tel Aviv, Israel, Nov. 25, 2018. Photo: Reuters / Corinna Kern.

holiest sites in the eastern part of Jerusalem. The Hamas and Islamic Jihad Palestinian terrorist groups and their patron state Iran go even further, calling for Israel's destruction through violence and terrorism.

The Palestinian Authority and Hamas both use a school curriculum that denies Israel's existence, and teaches children to venerate terrorists. As a result, there will be no peace breakthrough with the Palestinians in 2019, no matter how innovative President Trump's peace plan may be — or how much Israel wants peace. It's not about money, it's not even so much about borders. It's about psychology.

Many Palestinians — even those who claim to want to live in peace side by side with Israel — are opposed to the very concept of a Jewish state. But Jews, inspired by a vision of a return to Zion, founded Israel specifically to be a Jewish state, a refuge for Jews fleeing antisemitism and genocide; Israel was envisioned as a modern democracy — protecting the rights of all — in the ancient homeland of the Jewish people.

Still, in the year ahead, we can expect continuous Iranian threats to drive greater cooperation between Gulf States and Israel. This could lead that one or more of them finally recognizing Israel 70 years after its creation.

Having personally met Bahrain's King Hamad and hosted two dozen Bahrain interfaith leaders in Jerusalem, my best hope and prayer is that the king will lead the way in normalizing relations with Israel. Other Arab states will follow and so eventually will a new generation of Palestinian leaders — but don't

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## World News.

# Syria Pullout Won't Undermine US Efforts to Counter Iran, Pompeo Tells Netanyahu

BY BARNEY BREEN-PORTNOY

The withdrawal of American troops from Syria — announced by US President Donald Trump last month — was a top agenda item at a meeting on Tuesday between Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in Brasilia.

Pompeo and Netanyahu sat down for a face-to-face chat in the Brazilian capital of Brasilia ahead of the inauguration of President-elect Jair Bolsonaro.

Trump's controversial Syria move drew a lukewarm response from Israel, which is concerned about Iran's activities in its war-torn neighbor to the northeast.

"We have a lot to discuss," Netanyahu said as Tuesday's meeting with Pompeo began. "We're going to be discussing the intense cooperation between Israel and the United States, which will also deal with the questions following the American decision on Syria, and how to intensify, even further, our intelligence and operations cooperation in Syria and elsewhere. To block Iranian aggression in the Middle East, roll it back, that's a common aim."

Netanyahu also thanked Pompeo for the "unequivocal support that you and the president gave our efforts at self-defense against Syria and Hezbollah, just in the last few days."

Pompeo told Netanyahu that the pullout of US military forces from Syria "in no way changes anything this administration is working on



US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu meet in Brasilia, Jan. 1, 2019. Photo: Avi Ohayon / GPO.

alongside Israel."

"The counter-ISIS campaign continues, our efforts to counter Iranian aggression continue and our commitment to Middle East stability and the protection of Israel continues in the same way it did before that decision was made," he added.

Later on Tuesday, State Department spokesperson Robert Palladino said Pompeo and Netanyahu had talked about "the unacceptable threat that regional aggression and provocation by Iran and its agents poses to Israeli and regional security."

The secretary of state and prime minister last met in Belgium, at the start of December.

On Friday, the State Department issued a statement reiterating America's backing of Israel's "right to defend itself against the Iranian regime's aggressive adventurism."

# Hector Timerman, Former Argentinean Foreign Minister Charged With Helping Iran, Dies at 65

BY BENJAMIN KERSTEIN

Hector Timerman, the ex-foreign minister of Argentina who became embroiled in scandal as a result of his role in a plot aimed at covering-up Iran's role in the bombing of a Jewish community center, has died at 65.

Timerman, who was Jewish, was former president Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner's foreign minister from 2010-2015, during which time he helped negotiate a deal with Iran exonerating it from responsibility for the bombing of the AMIA Jewish community center in 1994, which killed 85 people.

Jewish groups and prosecutor Alberto Nisman, who investigated the bombing and fingered Iranian agents as the culprits, deemed the deal a cover-up. Nisman was preparing a case against Kirchner and Timerman when he was found dead in 2015. Initially officials claimed it was suicide, but Nisman's death was later ruled a murder by an official investigation. Thus far, no one has been arrested in connection to his death.

Last year, Kirchner and Timerman were indicted for their role in the cover-up, which

was deemed treason by authorities. The judge's ruling was based on Nisman's investigation. The inquiry found that in 2013 Timerman had traveled to Aleppo, Syria in secret and signed the agreement with Iran at a meeting hosted by Syrian dictator Bashar al-Assad.

In March 2018, Kirchner, Timerman, and 10 close aides were ordered to stand trial over the deal. Judge Claudio Bonadio found that Timerman, along with the others, had colluded with the Iranians "to the detriment of justice, the victims, and punishment of the accused."

Timerman's brother, Javier, said his sibling's death was caused by cancer.



Former Argentine foreign minister Hector Timerman in 2015. Photo: Reuters/Marcos Brindicci.

# UN Envoy Danny Danon Quashes Rumors of Knesset Return



Israeli Ambassador to the UN Danny Danon. Photo: UN Photo / Loey Felipe.

BY JNS.ORG

Israel's UN ambassador, Danny Danon, quashed over the weekend rumors that he was planning to resign from the key diplomatic post to run in the Knesset general election in April.

"During this challenging period, I intend to continue advancing Israel's position at the UN, and therefore I will not participate in these upcoming Knesset elections," Danon said in a statement. "The role of Israel's ambassador to the UN is one of great responsibility, and I will continue to strengthen Israel's standing during this trying time."

Danon also observed that "under the leadership of Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Benjamin Netanyahu, the Israeli Mission to the United Nations continues to achieve unprecedented accom-

plishments in the diplomatic arena."

In an interview with *The Algemeiner* in November, Danon noted that Israel's diplomatic position was "in a much stronger position today, we have diplomatic ties with more than 160 countries."

In the same interview, Danon explained that his approach to the UN stems from his view "that we are a full member state, we should be eligible to run for every position and present resolutions, and that's what we are doing."

Danon was appointed UN ambassador in 2015 following a brief stint as Israel's science, technology and space minister. He had previously served as deputy minister of defense, before a dispute with Netanyahu over Operation Protective Edge in the summer of 2014 led to his firing.

The 47-year-old Danon was first elected to the Knesset, as a Likud member, in 2009.

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Hosen LeYisrael party, which had previously been running in the teens. According to *Walla's* numbers, it would take only 11 seats, coming in fourth. The *Hadashot* poll, however, shows Gantz's party in second place with 14 seats.

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Brazil

continued Netanyahu. "These are also the faiths, the values that create the future. Israel is seizing the future. We now have an opportunity in Brazil to seize it together."

Netanyahu also invited the leaders to Jerusalem.

Additionally, the post office of the Brazilian state of Amazonas released a stamp to honor Israel's 70 years of independence.

Moreover, the Netanyahus attended an event with the Brazilian Jewish community, where he talked about Israeli innovation over the years and his country becoming a major player in sectors, such as agriculture and technology.

"There is a special warmth that the Jewish community of Brazil feels for Israel. They are proud of Brazil, and they love Brazil. They're proud of Israel, and they love Israel," said Netanyahu. "And they are a wonderful bridge

Rounding out the top five, according to *Walla*, is the Joint List, a coalition of Arab nationalist and leftist parties, which would come in third at 13 seats.

Both polls forecast a disaster for the center-left Zionist Union party, which would drop to sixth place with only nine seats as opposed to its current 24.

between our two countries. We feel that there is a tremendous empathy."

He announced an agreement with Bolsonaro "to have here delegations for security, for defense, for agriculture, for water and for the other industries. Several delegations will be coming here in the coming months to map out the full extent of Brazil's cooperation with Israel. This is a partnership that has been meaning to happen, meant to happen, and we're going to make it happen very fast."

Finally, Netanyahu reiterated Bolsonaro's promise to relocate the Brazilian embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem and that the president-elect echoed what US President Donald Trump previously said before actually moving in May the US embassy in Israel to Jerusalem: "It's not a question of if, just a question of when."

Netanyahu is the first Israeli prime minister to visit Brazil.



## World News.



Cleveland Clinic Miller Family Pavilion. Photo: HealthMonitor / Wikimedia Commons.

## Cleveland Clinic Distances Itself From Former Medical Resident With History of Online Antisemitic Statements

BY JNS.org

The Cleveland Clinic distanced itself on Monday from former medical resident with a history of making antisemitic remarks online — such as a 2012 tweet in which she said, “[I]ll purposely give all the yahood the wrong meds.”

“This individual was employed as a supervised resident at our hospital from July to September 2018. She is no longer working at Cleveland Clinic,” the hospital said in a statement. “In no way do these beliefs reflect those of our organization. We fully embrace diversity, inclusion, and a culture of safety and respect across our entire health system.”

Lara Kollab studied at the Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine in New York before her residency at the Cleveland Clinic.

“After repeated failed diplomacy, our aim is to defeat the Zionist state through force,” Kollab tweeted in December 2012 in response to a tweet that said “Peace won’t come by killing every Zionist. There has to be diplomacy.”

“Khalid stop starting fala7i vs madani [peasant vs civilized] wars on twitter! roo7o [go] fight with yahood [Jews] instead. Yallah,” Kollab tweeted in March 2013.

She posted five months later on Twitter: “@ShabanSalya Allah yo5od el yahood 3ashan enbattel nettar nroo7 3nd hel wes5een — [May Allah take back (end the lives) of the Jews so we stop being forced to go to those unclean ones].”

Kollab’s Twitter and Instagram accounts are no longer active.

## Edgar Hilsenrath, Holocaust Survivor and Controversial Satirist, Dies at Age of 92

BY ALGEMEINER STAFF

Edgar Hilsenrath — a leading German-Jewish author who fled the Nazi regime in 1938 — has died at the age of 92.

Hilsenrath passed away on Sunday at a hospital in Germany — where he returned to after World War II — following a lung infection.

A satirist who never shied away from controversy, Hilsenrath’s most famous novel was *The Nazi and the Barber*, first published in English in 1971 by the US imprint Doubleday. Hilsenrath’s text was rejected by more than 60 German publishers, all of whom were wary that the dark humor suffusing the novel could be interpreted as lampooning the Nazi Holocaust.

The novel tells the story of a fictitious SS officer, Max Schulz, who assumes the identity of a Jewish childhood friend murdered during the Holocaust to escape the victorious Allies. Using the name of Itzig Finkelstein, Schulz ends up moving to Israel, where he opens a hair salon. The novel eventually appeared in German in 1977.

Hilsenrath’s other works include *Night*; a Novel, published to great acclaim in 1954,



The late German-Jewish writer Edgar Hilsenrath. Photo: Screenshot.

based on Hilsenrath’s experiences of the Mogilyov-Podolski ghetto in Nazi-occupied Romania in the early part of the war. Another novel published in 1980 — boldly titled *F— America* — told the story of a Jewish immigrant to the US, Jakob Bronsky, who fell on hard times during the 1950s.

In his 1989 novel *The Story of the Last Thought*, Hilsenrath turned to the 1915 genocide of the Armenians by Turkey, and was awarded Germany’s prestigious Alfred Döblin Prize for Literature.

## Iranian Dissidents Urge Trump to Release Frozen Tehran Regime Assets Amid Renewed Student Protests

BY BEN COHEN

More than 400 Iranian pro-democracy activists have signed an open letter to US President Donald Trump seeking American financial and political support to bring down their country’s ruling Islamist regime.

Around half of the letter’s signatories themselves live in Iran, with the remainder residing in Western countries — including Canada, the US, Australia and several European nations.

The letter’s publication amid renewed student protests in Tehran. Amateur video that circulated on Monday showed Iranian security forces firing tear gas at hundreds of

Prince Reza Pahlavi’s proposal for free elections to replace the current regime, the letter remarked that “time after time, Iranians have declared the theocratic apartheid kleptocratic Islamic Republic illegitimate and expressed love and friendship for free nations.” The letter went on to urge that Iranian assets frozen abroad — approximately \$2 billion of which are held by the US — should be turned over to opposition activists “to enable Iranians with their most trusted opposition leader to establish a federally supervised Trust Fund...these funds can be utilized to create a democratic Iran and build infrastructure after the Iranian people Reclaim Iran Again.”

Asserting that Pahlavi — the older son of



A student protest at Azad University in Tehran, Iran, Dec. 31, 2018. Photo: Screenshot.

students demanding the resignation of top officials at Azad University in the capital.

The demonstrations followed last week’s bus crash in which 10 students were killed and 27 injured — which students activists blamed on an aging fleet of vehicles that are not properly maintained.

The coordinators of the letter — Shabnam Assadollahi, a former child inmate of Tehran’s notorious Evin Prison who is now based in Canada, and Marjaneh Rouhani, a US-based medical doctor and political activist — told *The Algemeiner* on Tuesday that their message to Trump was “an echo from the heart of Iran and the Iranians inside requested us to be their voice.”

The two activists also sharply criticized the coverage of Iran’s turbulent internal politics by the much of the Western media, saying that “in this crucial time where the aggressive and brutal Islamic regime is falling and MSM won’t give ANY coverage to their voice, instead they are echoing the so-called Islamic Republic’s reformists’ voice.”

The letter described Iran as having been “occupied” by Islamist forces, led by Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, following the overthrow of the Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi in 1979.

“When Khomeini and his supporters occupied Iran in 1979, the Royal Army surrendered to prevent a Syrian-like civil war,” the letter argued. “Nonetheless, establishing a global Islamic state was declared the number one priority by the totalitarian regime.”

Expressing full support for exiled Crown

the late deposed shah — was “Iran’s legitimate leader based on Iran’s Parliamentary Constitution and the Royal Oath Iranians respect,” the signatories said that the prince’s goal was “to free 80 million hostages (of the Islamic Republic) and peacefully transition Iran into a democratic state with free elections to establish a new secular democratic constitution.”

The letter praised Trump for being “the first world leader in 39 years who has the courage to speak to the Iranian nation directly, and hear their voices through the darkest veil of tyranny of Islamic State of Occupied Iran.”

Last May, Trump withdrew the US from the 2015 Iran nuclear deal, reimposing tough sanctions on the Tehran regime. However, the administration has so far refrained from adopting an explicit policy of regime change in Iran, with Secretary of State Mike Pompeo saying on Nov 4, that the goal of the new sanctions was to compel the “terror regime” to “change its behavior.”

In their email exchange with *The Algemeiner*, Assadollahi and Rouhani insisted that the “reformists who are part of this establishment” — a reference to key Iranian politicians like President Hassan Rouhani and Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif, both of whom are widely depicted as “moderates” — “have blood on their hands.”

“Today it is time for them and the regime which Khomeini was so instrumental in establishing to be completely abolished,” the two activists stated.

In a 2006 profile of Hilsenrath, the German broadcaster DW remarked, “Germany is the land of his birth, but it has been a struggle to achieve recognition in his home country.” While his “novels have sold in the millions in the United States and Western Europe,” the broadcaster noted, “[Hilsenrath] makes German publishers feel uneasy. They say his works are ‘too gruesome, too satirical and too vulgar.’”



# U.S. News.

## NYU Professor Defends Alice Walker From Antisemitism Accusations by Citing Poem on 'Zionist Nazis'

BY SHIRI MOSHE

A faculty member at New York University has defended renowned author Alice Walker as she faces accusations of antisemitism for promoting a conspiracy theorist and denouncing the Talmud, a book of Jewish law.

Robert Cohen — a professor of social studies and history — asserted in an essay published on History News Network on Sunday that many critics of Walker have “ignored evidence from both her life history and her writings that contradicts the charge of anti-Semitism.”

Walker — who won a Pulitzer Prize for her seminal 1982 novel, “The Color Purple” — drew scrutiny earlier this month after she promoted David Icke’s book “And the Truth Shall Set You Free” during an interview with The New York Times. In the book, Icke describes The Talmud as “among the most appallingly racist documents on the planet,” and claimed that Jewish organizations are secretly behind various racist groups, including the Ku Klux Klan, according to Tablet Magazine.

The controversy drew renewed attention to Walker’s past statements on Jews and Judaism — including a 2017 poem in which she called Israeli rule “demonic to the core,” and suggested that to understand “the inspiration for so much evil,” one must “study The Talmud” and “its poison.”

Walker has dismissed charges of antisemitism as attacks against her work “in support of the people of Palestine” — charges that Cohen addressed by sharing a recent poem published by the novelist, which he said “offers fierce criticism of Israel yet conveys warmth towards Jewish friends.”

In the poem, titled “Conscious Earthlings,” Walker wrote that “Jews have always been involved / In my awakening,” and added: “It is this I will remember / Whatever worsening plans / The Zionist Nazis make.”

The poem claimed that “Zionist Nazis are not the Jews,” and described the former as “terrorists who would and do / Kill anyone and anything / To get what they want: / Control over everyone.”

“I will never be divided from my friends,” Walker continued, “No matter how bad Zionist Nazis are making / Jews look.”

Conscious Earthlings  
©2018 by Alice Walker

Jews have always been involved

In my awakening.  
Long before I knew  
Or cared  
What they were.  
It is this I will remember  
Whatever worsening plans  
The Zionist Nazis make.

To tell the truth

It has always calmed me  
To have them near.  
Carrying on, being smart-ass,  
Getting into everybody’s business  
Sitting up reading poetry  
Dissecting the Good Book  
With me;  
The only book allowed  
In jail.

I will not lose this,

Too much time has passed.  
I cannot be fooled.  
Zionist Nazis are not the Jews  
I know; terrorists who would  
and do  
Kill anyone and anything  
To get what they want:  
Control over everyone.  
I will never be divided from my friends

No matter how bad Zionist Nazis are making  
Jews look.

I like especially to see  
Jews standing firm  
With the same  
Realization I also have:  
That the dream of one humanity,  
Of one race of humankind  
Is being born each day  
In every one of us  
Who leave race and culture and religion  
Handed to us at birth behind

And hold ourselves accountable today

This minute  
To the standard of eternal  
Caring  
For the one United Tribe  
Of Conscious Earthlings.  
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The poem then appeared to praise Jews who support “the dream of one humanity,” which is “born each day / In every one of us / Who leave race and culture and religion / Handed to us at birth behind.”

Cohen — whose defense attracted some criticism on social media after it was highlighted by writer John-Paul Pagano — has previously backed Walker amid charges of antisemitism. In another essay published on History News Network a week after her Times interview, the NYU professor said that he saw “no trace of anti-Semitism” in Walker’s history of political activism, but instead found “a humane identification with the oppressed, including Palestinians, and a dedication to battling war, poverty, and hatred.”

Gil Troy, a professor of history at McGill University, wrote in response that Cohen’s “stunning” stance on Walker “fails to respect



Talkshow host Oprah Winfrey (R) and producer Scott Sanders (C) listen as writer Alice Walker speaks during the curtain call of Winfrey’s Broadway musical ‘The Color Purple,’ in New York, Dec. 1, 2005. Photo: Reuters / Keith Bedford.

the seriousness of the charge or the many dimensions of Walker’s and Icke’s historically-based, deeply-rooted, Jew hatred.”


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Opinion.

# Hampton Kosher Hot Dogs at Qatar's Bloody World Cup



SHMULEY BOTEACH  
ENGELWOOD

The day after Christmas, Bloomberg News published an article titled, "New York Hot Dog Rabbi to Make Qatar Kosher for World Cup."

Weird.

A few questions immediately presented themselves.

First, who was this mysterious "Hot Dog Rabbi"? Second, why would any rabbi want to be known by that moniker? Third, hadn't we had enough of Jewish leaders humiliating themselves by cozying up to Qatar, especially with the sordid stories of how much money has allegedly changed hands?

The story got even stranger. At the bottom, there was a disclaimer that "An earlier version of this story incorrectly spelled the rabbi's given name." I was then startled when I read that the rabbi in question was my good friend Rabbi Marc Schneier of the Hamptons Synagogue.

In the summer of 2014, I was present as a scholar-in-residence in the Hamptons, and witnessed Marc raise more than one million dollars for Israel as it battled Hamas terrorists in the third Gaza war, during which Hamas fired hundreds of rockets against Israeli cities and murdered 67 soldiers. And who is the biggest funder of Hamas? Qatar.

Why on earth would Rabbi Schneier be setting up kosher hot dog stands for Qatar during the World Cup?

It was bad enough when Rabbi Menachem Genack, head of the Orthodox Union's kosher division, mysteriously traveled to Qatar without any explanation. We would later discover that his visit was arranged by Orthodox Jewish lobbyist Nick Muzin.

The kicker of the article was the prominent picture in the middle, featuring Rabbi Schneier presenting an award to the Qatari head of the World Cup. Another story on YNet reported that the same man, "Hassan al-Thawadi, Secretary-General of the Supreme Committee for Delivery and Legacy ... met with US Rabbi Marc Schneier ... and asked him to serve as an adviser with regards to matters relating to hosting Jewish sports fans who will attend the matches."

Said Rabbi Schneier, "This is an exceptional development that attests to the sensitivity that the Qataris show toward Israelis and the Jewish world. ... I responded to the request with joy."

Now, it's debatable whether funding Hamas — whose covenant calls for the annihilation of Israel and the murder of Jewish people wherever they may be found — constitutes any particular "sensitivity" toward Israelis and Jews, kosher hot dogs aside. Oddly, the Bloomberg story said that Al-Thawadi would not confirm anything that Rabbi Schneier said about Israelis being welcomed at the World Cup; at the moment, they are barred by Qatari law.

We know that Rabbi Schneier is a good man, very devoted to Israel, and has built an impressive and wonderful community in the Hamptons. But is he being used by Qatar just like other Jewish leaders have been?

The Zionist Organization of America (ZOA)'s Morton Klein traveled to Qatar last year, and said that he had persuaded the Emir to remove antisemitic books from the Qatari book fair. As the ZOA press release put it, "Klein's meetings in Qatar also resulted, after a two-hour meeting with the Emir in his palace, in Qatar agreeing to remove anti-Semitic books from the Doha book fair." But this past December 4, the ADL reported that "Blatantly anti-Semitic books are being promoted by the state-run book fair this week in Doha, Qatar, according to Anti-Defamation League's experts in Arabic language. These anti-Semitic titles include 'Lies Spread by the Jews' and 'The Myth of the Nazi Gas Chambers.'"

The ADL wrote to William Grant, the US Chief of Mission at the American embassy in Qatar, "asking that he leverage the embassy's participation in the book fair to urge the Qatari government to stop promoting such hateful content." The US embassy did not dispute the charge. Indeed, according to the ADL, Grant "indicated he and his advisers took immediate action in response to ADL's letter of concern" and "visited booths at the book fair to identify the anti-Semitic materials flagged by ADL. ... The Qatari government subsequently withdrew certain anti-Semitic titles from the book fair and issued a circular to participants indicating that intolerant books were not permitted."



US President Donald Trump meets with the Emir of Qatar during their bilateral meeting on May 21, 2017. Photo: Official White House Photo/Shealah Craighead.

CruxNow.com, a leading publication covering the Catholic world, published a May 2018 article titled, "Pope scolds FIFA for slave labor in Qatar." The article tells the tragic story of how nearly 2,000 migrant workers are alleged to have already died in near slave-like conditions building Qatar's World Cup stadiums.

A papal charity called Pontifical Scholas Occurrentes presented the Pope with a devastating critique of Qatar's abuse of the workers and the staggering number of dead. The Pope then wrote to FIFA — the world soccer body — calling on them to crack down on Qatar. To date, FIFA has not even responded to the Pope's letter.

Now, just think about that. While the Pope is leveraging his moral standing to speak up for thousands of workers dying in the Qatari desert heat under near slave-like conditions to make it ready for the World Cup, New York rabbis — overlooking Qatar's support of terror — are running to make sure that Jews can have sauerkraut and relish on their hot dogs at the World Cup.

Rabbi Shmuley Boteach, "America's Rabbi," whom *The Washington Post* calls "the most famous Rabbi in America," is the international bestselling author of 30 books, including his most recent, *The Israel Warrior*. Follow him on Twitter @RabbiShmuley.

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February 16, 2018

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### Meir Kahane speaks The Summer of 84'

#### GREETINGS FROM RABBI MEIR KAHANE BETH SHIFRA

I have always said that in Heaven there is a great Synagogue. And as with all synagogues there is an East wall at which, like in all synagogues, sit the truly distinguished. But, unlike all synagogues where the truly distinguished are distinguished for their money and external attributes, in this great synagogue, we will be stunned to see whom the Almighty - the great Gabbai, warder, of Heaven - seats at the East Wall and who is relegated to the "ordinary" rows.



In every generation there walk in our midst the greatly simple, whose quiet task in life is to be simply great. They are famous in their anonymity. No reporters know their names and no television cameras record their faces and words. They walk in the streets in perfect tranquility for no one knows that they are people to be touched. They are touched only by the greatness of their deeds.

I rarely use this column to specifically praise someone and urge their support time and space are too precious. But I stand in tribute and ask you to do the same even as you write a generous check, for a simple tzadik (and are there any other?).

His name is Chaim Prussman and no one at Time magazine has ever heard of him. But I tell you that he is famous in the streets of Heaven. Daily, he walks and talks and worries and lives the pain of Jews. In the Brighton Beach section of Brooklyn, where he lives, he sees the talons and fangs of the missionaries ripping away the souls of Jews, simple Jews, mostly from the Soviet Union. With meals and gifts and money they buy and destroy Jewish souls. There are synagogues and organizations and rabbis and leaders but no one stood up to cry out and do, except a little Jew named Chaim Prussman.

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### Bogus Purim Service Broken Up

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A group of missionaries in Brighton Beach who rented Public School 225 on the premise they were holding a social, attempted to hold a bogus "Purim Megilla" reading. The missionaries widely advertised their program in Russian as well as English throughout the Manhattan Beach and Brighton Beach area in an effort to entice young people to their service. However, when the real purpose of the "service" was discovered, groups from Boro Park, Flatbush, Crown Heights and Monsey descended on the area to help the

staff of the Beth Shifra Institutions break up the rally. Since many of the protesters missed the Megilla reading, the staff of Beth Shifra held to Megilla readings, so those who were instrumental in breaking up the rally could observe the Mitzva properly. The Beth Shifra rally, held at the Jewish Center of Ocean Parkway, was termed a huge success by the children and parents who attended. There was a live band and a puppet show to entertain the children.



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## Opinion.

# The New York Times 'War Crime'



**JEROLD AUERBACH**  
BOSTON

Imagine appropriate news coverage of the horrific Nazi slaughter of six million Jews. Then imagine coverage, by the same newspaper, of the accidental killing — six months earlier — of a 20-year-old Gaza nurse by a ricocheting bullet fired by an Israeli soldier. The Holocaust story, in the memorable title of Laurel Leff's scathing book, was "Buried by the Times."

The Gaza story, accompanied by two photos, appeared on the Times front page (December 30). It covered more than half the page. Credit was given to five reporters, with authorship by New York Times Jerusalem Bureau Chief David Halbfinger. But that was only the beginning. Coverage spread across three full inside pages, half of them devoted to the Times' reconstruction of the death of Rouzan al-Najjar. To show how she was killed, the Times proudly claimed to have analyzed "over 1,000 photos and videos," while capturing "the fatal moment in a 3-D model" and interviewing "more than 30 witnesses and commanders."

What actually happened? According to the Times account, which there is no reason to doubt given the range and depth of its research, Ms. Najjar became "fearless and outspoken" and determined to become a nurse after witnessing the death of her pregnant aunt, intentionally pushed down the stairs of their Gaza home by her grandmother.

Ms. Najjar "saw her role as part of the Palestinian struggle ... never refusing an interview request" to plead her righteous case, as she explained back in May when the Times first noted her admirable ambition. She proudly proclaimed: "I'm an army to myself, and the sword to my army," writing on Facebook that "her bloodstained uniform carried the 'sweetest perfume.'" The Times recounts how "young men and their parents paraded through the Najjars' home seeking betrothal to the now famous Rouzan." But she rejected their entreaties because "she had her own goals in mind."

The remainder of her story of service to wounded Gaza protesters gathered at the border fence with Israel to protest "occupation" (ironically, by Hamas) is interspersed with paragraphs revealing the timeline leading to her death. Among the salient moments: Gaza "protesters throw homemade firebombs" across the border fence at Israeli soldiers, who respond by aiming at their feet to avoid fatalities. As sunset approaches, "things seem to be quieting down." The Times assures readers: "No one in the area is doing

anything menacing." Indeed, Israeli tear gas "is doing what it is meant to: making the use of lethal force unnecessary."

But "suddenly there is another gunshot" from the Israeli side of the border fence, 120 yards away. A Gaza medic is "sprayed in the chest by small bullet fragments" after the bullet strikes a rock. Another Gazan "screams in pain" as a fragment grazes his thigh. As the Times reconstruction of the event confirmed: a bullet "hit the ground in front of the medics, then fragmented, part of it ricocheting upward and piercing Ms. Najjar's chest." David Halbfinger gratuitously added: "To deliberately shoot a medic, or any civilian, is a war crime." He offers no evidence, because there is none, that Ms. Najjar was targeted. It is unlikely that the shattered rock was chosen for its lethal potential. Nonetheless, she "has joined the ranks of those lionized as Gaza's martyrs" as "a symbol ... of a hopeless, endless conflict and the lives it wastes." Hamas is not identified as the unrelenting source of the conflict.

Accompanying the Times narrative of martyrdom are two front page photos, one showing Ms. Najjar being carried after "she was shot in the chest"; the other depicting a Bethlehem mural identifying her as the martyr she became. Inside page photos show her funeral, her portrait in her family's home, and her closest friend (who had "urged her to leave the protest ... before she was shot").

As if that was insufficient coverage there also were two half-page models, based on a Times review of "over a thousand photos and videos" of the protest area. Undermining its own preposterous claim that "the shooting appears to have been reckless at best, and possibly a war crime," a model depicts the ricocheted bullet hitting two men before piercing Ms. Najjar's chest and fatally severing her aorta.

If that accident of fate was a "war crime," what language aptly describes the Times evasion of the intentional murder of six million Jews because it did not want to be seen as a "Jewish" newspaper? The death of Israeli four-year-old Daniel Tragerman, victim of a Hamas rocket that exploded in his kibbutz home in 2014, received four paragraphs. The recent death of baby Amiad Yisrael, who survived for only three days after an emergency Cesarean following the shooting of his parents by a drive-by Palestinian terrorist — a tragedy that riveted Israelis in sorrow — received four sentences in the Times based on a Reuters report.

Once again "All the News That's Fit to Print" conceals the palpable bias of New York Times reporting that incessantly blames Israel for the crime of responding to Palestinian attacks.

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*under absolutely peculiar conditions and the fateful role played by them in history: all these point to the particular and mysterious foundations of their destiny.*

That is what God tells Moses is about to be revealed: Hashem, meaning God as He intervenes in the arena of time, "so that My name may be declared throughout the world" (Ex. 9:16). The script of history would bear the mark of a hand not human, but divine. And it began with these words: "Therefore say to the Israelites: I am Hashem, and I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians."

Shabbat shalom

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'Jihadist Psychopath'*

Glazov is reaching out to the millions of people who have come to believe that Islam is not the problem; we are. I suggest that many readers will see themselves in this book, having fallen victim to the declarations of the psychopathic jihadists. And once you do—once you realize how you have been tricked into believing that Islam is the religion of peace—you will no longer be frightened into silence. You will develop the courage needed to stand up and say, "Enough." You will act

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in American society, away from a centuries-long tradition in Western law and toward the embrace of a relatively new concept: that a fetus in the womb has the same rights as a fully formed person." Times readers might wonder, in the context of abortion rights in America, about whether a fetus can be "killed" if it isn't alive to begin with. But when it comes to depicting Gaza as a hellhole for which Israel is largely to blame, the Times won't even let otherwise precious liberal axioms such as fetal non-personhood get in the way.

The Times article concludes by claiming that Najjar "has become a symbol, perhaps not of what either side had hoped, but of a hopeless, endless conflict and the lives it wastes."

That's a dodge, because the gist of the rest of the piece is that it's not the "conflict" that killed her, but an Israeli sniper, in what was "possibly a war crime." And now, thanks to the work of at least ten Times journalists and whatever editors decided to set them loose on this story and to give it prominent play, her life isn't a "waste," but rather has become a valuable propaganda tool for the Palestinian Arabs, who can now use her death to depict Israel to the Times audience as reckless murderers, and Israelis as war criminals, or at

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look for *that* to happen anytime soon.

Not only does peace seem to be a distant dream, but Israel's raucous political battles have yielded a December surprise and not a happy one: Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu announced his coalition government was dissolving and that snap elections would be held in April.

So is the Jewish state, a failing state? Quite the contrary. Indeed, there must be other aspects of Israel's 2018 that help explain why 89 percent of its 8.9 million citizens have reported that they are happy with their lives.

Here's some good news about Israel you rarely hear in the US and international media:

First, Israel actually experienced a huge increase in global tourism this year, led by Asia. Whatever tourists may have been hearing from biased media, there is nothing like experiencing the only Middle Eastern democracy and its holy sites firsthand to debunk the Big Lie that Israel is an "apartheid state."

Nowhere was the tourist boom more in evidence than in Jerusalem, Israel's eternal capital. An estimated four million tourists have visited the Holy City this year. This came as President Trump was true to his word and announced that the United States was recognizing Jerusalem as the capital of Israel. The actual move of the US embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem took place in business-like (not diplomatic) speed, and I was honored to witness the opening of the embassy on May 14.

Secondly, the "I" in Israel really does stand for innovation. Despite the fact that young Israelis have to serve in the IDF and can be called up to the reserves for decades — and despite the barbs, hatred, and violence flung their way — Israelis are committed to making

to protect and defend Western civilization described by the late George Jonas as "the best and most humane form of civilization developed by mankind," and that we must not let it "perish by default."

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks wrote: "Greater is the one who fought and won than one, fearing confrontation, takes the path of least resistance and submits."

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least "possibly" war criminals.

None of this is to say that the Israeli troops defending the border with Gaza performed perfectly, or that there isn't room for journalism that can help Israel do a better job at it going forward. No human is perfect. US police and American troops accidentally kill people, too, and Palestinian Arab terrorists intentionally kill people. For whatever reason, though, the Times has decided that this Gaza death is worth the time of ten journalists and three pages of the Sunday newspaper, while the death of an Israeli American, Ari Fuld, wasn't deemed fit to print by the Times at all.

If one were to take a Timesian approach, one would write it with a question headline: "Times Pays More Attention To a Palestinian Death Than to an Israeli American One. Was It an Accident?" And then one would weasel around the issue: "the Times journalism appears to have been careless at best, and possibly a blood libel." But I'll reject that approach and be more direct and forthright. The New York Times "investigation," for all its dignified trappings, is just the same old Israel-bashing you can get for free on any extreme right or extreme left Internet site or social media feed. Save yourself the time and the money and the heartburn and skip it.

a difference in ways that are impacting the lives of friends and enemies the world over.

Here's a tiny sample of the world-changing innovations that emerged from Israel this year: The world's first 3D-printed vegan steak — which will help address how the planet can feed its exploding population;

Research to create tissue implants of any kind by using patients' own cells;

A new tool to better assess pain that patients experience in the intensive care unit;

A new device to detect problems in lesions before cancer develops; and

Promising research on the inner ear that could help address hearing loss.

And this spring, Israel is expected to land an unmanned spacecraft on the moon in April. Furthermore, we can all expect to see more spectacular innovation from Israel that will improve our economies, our lives, our health, and our iPhones in the near future.

We can only hope and pray that someday a new generation of Palestinian leaders will realize their people are better off cooperating with their neighbors and living in peace than entrusting their children to corrupt leaders who reward young people not for innovation and education, but for murdering Jews — thus ensuring a never-ending conflict.

It's unfortunate that this will not happen in 2019 — unless the Messiah himself intervenes. To hasten real change on the ground in the New Year, nations like Germany, France, and Japan should follow President Trump's lead by snapping shut their checkbooks to the Palestinians unless and until they can prove that "humanitarian aid" doesn't go to build terror tunnels or financially reward families whose sons murder and maim Jews.

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*when I attempted in my youth to verify it by applying it to the destinies of peoples, broke down in the case of the Jews, where destiny seemed absolutely inexplicable from the materialistic standpoint...Its survival is a mysterious and wonderful phenomenon demonstrating that the life of this people is governed by a special predetermination, transcending the processes of adaptation expounded by the materialistic interpretation of history. The survival of the Jews, their resistance to destruction, their endurance*



## Impressions.

# The Troubling Influence of The 'Jihadist Psychopath'

BY DIANE BEDERMAN/JNS.org

Why are the views of radical Islam accepted by Western left-wing audiences? Jamie Glazov answers that question in his riveting book *Jihadist Psychopath: How the jihadist is charming, seducing us, devouring us.*

What has happened to the West—to the values of freedom and equality for all—questioning our moral values to the point that we have come to accept the delectable lie that Islam is a religion of peace? We witness Islamic terror, but choose to believe what we are told: It isn't Islam. Islam is a religion of peace. If Islam is such a peaceful religion, why must we be reminded of it over and over again?

Glazov explains this "insanity"—this desire to believe what is factually untrue. He takes us on a journey through the lens of psychology and the mental condition known as "psychopathy." He begins in the Garden of Eden with the Serpent, the original psychopath, who beguiles Eve with his pretense of good will.

May I suggest that Glazov's "psychopathy" explanation regarding the acceptance of radical Islam is the same psychopathy that traps those who accept the idea that Israel is a pariah state.

Let me explain this term: psychopathy. One of my professors explained the "good and bad" of psychopathy. Like all "conditions," it runs on a continuum. At one end is someone who has little empathy for others, though particularly harmful; someone who doesn't worry about hurting feelings, most probably because he has few. And as a CEO, this person would be a great. He focuses on his end game. Then there is the other end of the continuum. And I have no doubt that most of you, if not all, have experienced the machinations of a psychopath in a relationship (or know someone who has).

In that relationship, there is one partner who always takes the blame for anything negative. She knows if only she had said this and not that, or done that and not this, then everything would be fine. She comes to believe that everything bad is her fault, never his. That she is the victimizer and not the victim is the goal of a true psychopath. That she takes on the role of victimizer, voluntarily, is the indication of a great psychopath.

Glazov takes this example into the world. We, the recipients of the Judeo/Christian ethic that calls on us to treat all people with equal respect, that all life is sacred, and that we have free will to make those choices are apologizing for our values in order to accommodate and include a value system that is diametrically opposed to ours, despite the statements made by world leaders. Islam is not compatible with the West. Here we are turning ourselves into the victimizers of 1.8 billion Muslims who remind us after every terror attack that Islam is a religion of peace, and that we must be careful not to allow ourselves to attack Muslims in any way. It's not their fault that there are Islamic terrorists. It is ours. We, the West, are the oppressors. This is psychopathy at work.

Glazov shows us different faces of submission. He provides a litany of experts in psychopathy and a similar number of examples of jihadist psychopathic behaviors. He shares the stories of those who have had the courage to stand up to Islamic terrorism, and how in return, these people have been ostracized by those who should thank them for their courage to speak. Most impressive and important to me is Glazov's revelations about former

# Remembering Amos Oz — the Dreamer

BY HAROLD BRACKMAN

Amos Oz — writer-poet, prophet, and would-be politician — is dead. Israel and the Jewish world will probably never see his like again.

As an American Jew, I see Oz in terms of American comparisons.

He and Philip Roth, each in their own language, were the most successful Jewish writers of their time. Both also professed a hatred of political fanaticism. But I would also stress differences.

Roth, down deep, was always the Newark Jewish boy who made good in post-Holocaust America. In an early story, "Eli the Fanatic," he satirized his fellow American Jews by telling the story of Eli, a successful lawyer, who moves up to a ritzy suburb that does not quite accept him as a Jew. When a Hassid opens a Yeshiva, Eli looks desperately for cover, but his defenses fall apart as he starts wearing the Hassid's present of Hassidic garb — and is committed to an insane asylum!

Back then, Roth may have thought American Jewish status anxieties were funny and overblown, but in his best-selling *The Plot Against America* (2004) he came close to suggesting that American Jewish fears about their hard-won success might be well-grounded.

Amos Oz, on the other hand, never doubted his essential Israeliness. He knew he was not an immigrant new arrival, even as he empathically explored immigrant anxieties in Israel.

Politically, Oz personified what is now a declining sect of left-wing Zionists, defined by their elite Ashkenazi origins. More and more, Oz appeared as a Don Quixote in pursuit of the possibly impossible dream of the "two state solution." He once adopted the slogan of a political coalition claiming "our politics are on the left, but our hearts are in the center." But the truth is that he was perversely bedeviled by his political tin ear — notably giving imprisoned Palestinian terrorist Marwan Barghouti a copy of the Arabic translation of his book *A Tale of Love and Darkness*, dedicated in Hebrew, in 2011.

From the time of ancient Israel, our prophets have always played politics. But they also always knew enough to articulate their message while leaving government posts to politicians more knowledgeable about kingship. The same could be said for America's Martin Luther King, Jr., who was wise enough never to run for office. Amos Oz should have studied up on Reverend King and avoided his over-immersion in party politics.

I wonder if Oz sometimes dreamed of himself as an Israeli Cincinnatus. Cincinnatus was the Roman patriot-soldier (Oz's own military service was exemplary) who returned to his farm, only

then to be recalled by his grateful people to lead them politically. President George Washington was sometimes called "the American Cincinnatus." But if Oz ever believed that the Israel people would carry him on their shoulders from his kibbutz, Hulda, back to Jerusalem to lead them, history revealed him as a fantasist.

Yet whatever the vagaries of his politics, Oz's heart was always in the right place: he was a true Israeli patriot who supported (at least up to a point) Israel's necessary self-defense against Hamas rockets, and angrily answered leftists abroad who defamed Israel as a moral pariah.

The Book of Jonah tells us "your old men will dream dreams, and your young men will see visions." Before he died, Amos Oz said: "Israel is a dream come true, and as a dream come true it is flawed, very flawed, and sometimes dangerously flawed or painfully flawed. But this is in the nature of dreams, not necessarily in the nature of Israel." He also said: "I love Israel, but I don't like it."



The late Israeli author Amos Oz. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

Both as a young man and an old man, Oz saw dreams and visions about Israel, which he used the Hebrew language to evoke with pathos and humor to communicate his faith to Israelis, Jews, and ecumenical readers everywhere. Not a political visionary, Oz had a humanizing sense of humor that, let's hope, did not die with him.

In 1970, during Israel's War of Attrition with Nasser's Egypt, Oz asked Prime Minister Golda Meir, "What do you dream about?" "I don't have time to dream," she replied with a scowl. "I can't sleep, because the phone keeps ringing with reports about casualties."

Oz was correct: political leaders do need to have inner lives. But Meir was also correct: they cannot luxuriate in dreams the same way that Oz did.

Historian Harold Brackman is coauthor with Ephraim Isaac of *From Abraham to Obama: A History of Africans, African Americans, and Jews* (Africa World Press, 2015).

President Barack Obama; how he singlehandedly attempted to transform the nation's perception of radical Islam from a terrorist ideology to a religion of peace by removing all references to Islamic terrorism in all government communications. He was not the first president to declare Islam a religion of peace. Former President George W. Bush introduced the term following 9/11. But Obama brought people into

his administration who diligently promoted awareness of Islamophobia, which is universally defined as the irrational fear of Islam. If fear of Islam is irrational, then those who question it must also be irrational. However, the notion of a post-9/11 backlash against Muslims was a myth. The result of the obsession with Islamophobia is the silencing of dissenters.

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**NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS** Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for the Certificate-holders of the MLMI Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-FM1, Plaintiff AGAINST Jacques Romeo a/k/a Jacques M. Romeo; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated October 30, 2018 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on January 17, 2019 at 2:30PM, premises known as 1622 East 93rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11236. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block 8295 Lot 57. Approximate amount of judgment \$757,546.15 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 500909/2015. Bruno Codispoti, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: November 21, 2018 59327 AJ; 12/14/21/28; 1/4

**NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT County Of Kings U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Adjustable Rate Mortgage Trust 2006-3, Adjustable Rate Mortgage-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-3, Plaintiff AGAINST Sharifa Small, First United Mortgage Banking Corp., New York City Environmental Control Board, New York Transit Adjudication Bureau, Ejim Maha, Kyam Rice, Zaleika Johnson, Aldith Small, Jane Doe #1, John Doe #1, et al., Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 9/12/16 and entered on 9/27/16, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on January 17, 2019 at 02:30 PM premises known as 166 Stuyvesant Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11221. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 1620, LOT: 50. Approximate amount of judgment is \$973,919.86 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 012554/2009. Jacob Gelfand, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706 AJ; 12/14/21/28; 1/4**

**NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS** Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, Trustee of the SRP 2013-9 Funding Trust, Plaintiff AGAINST Jason Dorset a/k/a Jason H. Dorset; Louisa Dorset; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated January 25, 2018 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on January 17, 2019 at 2:30PM, premises known as 374 East

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96th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11212. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block 4670 Lot 156. Approximate amount of judgment \$206,897.96 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 502684/2015. Jeffrey R Miller, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: November 19, 2018 58925 AJ; 12/14/21/28; 1/4

Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC) Name: ASHOKIDS, LLC. Articles of organization Filed with the secretary of state of New York (SSNY) 10/25/2017 Office location: Kings county. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be Served. SSNY shall Mail copy of the process to: United States corporation agents, inc 7014 13th Ave. Suite 202 Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose : all lawful activity AJ; 12/14/21/28; 1/4/11/18

Probate Citation File No. 298-50125 SURROGATE'S COURT, QUEENS COUNTY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, By the Grace of God Free and Independent To MELVIN STERN if living and if dead, to his heirs at law, next of kin and distributees whose names and places of residence are unknown and if he did subsequent to the decedent herein, to his executors, administrators, legatees, devisees, assignees and successors in interest whose name and places of residence are unknown and to all other heirs at law, next of kin and distributees of IVAN STERN, the decedent herein, whose names and places of residence are unknown and cannot after diligent inquiry be ascertained. Peter Metio (GAL) A petition having been duly filed by Jordan S. Linn who is/are domiciled at 50 Harward Ave., Merrick NY 11556 YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, Queens. County. at 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York, on January 31, 2019 at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why a decree should not be made in the estate of Ivan Stern lately domiciled at 104-20 Queens Boulevard, Apt. 4-P, Forest Hills, New York 11375, United States admitting to probate a Will dated July 15, 2009 a copy of which is attached, as the Will of Ivan Stern deceased, relating to real and personal property, and directing that Letters Testamentary issue to Jordan S. Linn. Dated, Attested and Sealed, December 7th, 2018 Hon. PETER J. KELLY Surrogate James Lim Becker Chief Clerk ordan S. Linn, Esq. Farrell Fritz, P C. 400 RXR Plaza. Uniondale. New York 11556 516) 227-0700. NOTE: This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not required to appear. If you fail to appear it will be assumed you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney appear for you. AJ; 12/14/21/28; 1/4

Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC) Name: BOND CRAFT STUDIO LLC. Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York (SSNY) on 10/15/2018 Office location: Kings county. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall Mail copy of the process to: The LLC 372 Bond ST.

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Brooklyn, NY 11231 purpose: all lawful activity AJ; 12/21/28; 1/4/11/18/25

**NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT County Of Kings U.S. Bank NA, successor trustee to Bank of America, NA, successor in interest to LaSalle Bank NA, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Washington Mutual Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, WMALT Series 2006-8, Plaintiff AGAINST Eric D. Ganes, individually and as surviving joint tenant of Delia Curtis, et al, Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 10/10/18 and entered on 10/18/18, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on January 24, 2019 at 02:30 PM premises known as 245 E 46th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11203. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 4851, LOT: 40. Approximate amount of judgment is \$780,358.49 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 505910/2015. Steven Z. Naiman, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706 AJ; 12/21/28; 1/4/11/**

**NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS** JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff AGAINST Necta Dupuy; Frantzy Dupuy; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated October 18, 2018 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on January 24, 2019 at 2:30PM, premises known as 8610 Avenue N, Brooklyn, NY 11236. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block 8083 Lot 5. Approximate amount of judgment \$703,916.99 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 1128/13. Steven Naiman, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: November 21, 2018 59329 AJ; 12/21/28; 1/4/11/

**NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC AUCTION Supreme Court of New York, KINGS County. WILMINGTON TRUST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR MFRA TRUST 2014-2, Plaintiff, -against- ELIECER TORRES; ARTURO TORRES; NEW YORK CITY PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU; BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE SCHAEFFER LANDING NORTH CONDOMINIUM; CRIMINAL COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK; KINGS SUPREME COURT; NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU; NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD; MIKE BLACK; MRS. BLACK (FIRST NAME REFUSED), Index No. 20760/2013. Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated, September 20, 2018 and entered with the Kings County Clerk on September 26, 2018, Jeffrey R. Miller, Esq., the Appointed Referee, will sell the premises known as 440 Kent Avenue, Unit 14A,**

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Brooklyn, New York 11211 A/K/A Two Schaefer Landing, Brooklyn, New York 11211 at public auction at 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201, on January 24, 2019 at 2:30 P.M. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York known as Block: 2134; Lot: 1272 will be sold subject to the provisions of filed Judgment, Index No. 20760/2013. The approximate amount of judgment is \$999,811.56 plus interest and costs. FRIEDMAN VARTOLO LLP 85 Broad Street, Suite 501, New York, New York 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff. AJ; 12/21/28; 1/4/11/

**NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS** MTGLQ Investors, L.P., Plaintiff AGAINST Calvin Dillon; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated January 25, 2018 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on January 24, 2019 at 2:30PM, premises known as 668 Riverdale Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block: 3842 Lot: 19. Approximate amount of judgment \$328,323.14 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 1131/2013. Steven Naiman, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: November 19, 2018 AJ; 12/21/28; 1/4/11/

**NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT KINGS COUNTY CITI BANK, N.A., Plaintiff against ALIZA SHREM, et al Defendants Attorney for Plaintiff(s) Knuckles, Komosinski & Manfro, LLP, 565 Taxter Road, Suite 590, Elmsford, NY 10523 Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered January 17, 2018, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on January 24, 2019 at 2:30 PM. Premises known as 2238 West Street, Brooklyn, New York 11223. Block 7151 Lot 71. ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York. Approximate Amount of Judgment is \$441,324.93 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No 5872/2012. Cash will not be accepted at the sale. Doron Leiby, Esq., Referee 11582 AJ; 12/21/28; 1/4/11/**

**NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT KINGS COUNTY EMIGRANT BANK F/K/A NEW YORK PRIVATE BANK AND TRUST F/K/A EMIGRANT SAVINGS BANK, Plaintiff against ORCHID JOAZARD, et al Defendants Attorney for Plaintiff(s) Fein, Such & Crane, LLP, 28 East Main Street Suite 1800, Rochester, NY 14614 Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered October 31, 2018, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on January 31, 2019 at 2:30 PM. Premises known as 1270**

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Herkimer Street, Brooklyn, NY 11233. Block 1567 Lot 19. All that tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York. Approximate Amount of Judgment is \$570,846.46 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No 5551/2011. Shmuel D Taub, Esq., Referee XCHJC350 AJ; 12/28; 1/4/11/18

**NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS** NP154, LLC, Plaintiff, Against Index No.: 509194/2017 SHERRILYN LEWIS, et al., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered 12/3/2018, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction, in Room 224 of the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201, on 1/31/2019 at 2:30 pm, premises known as 611 East 37th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11203, and described as follows: ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, Block 4954 and Lot 58. The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$86,014.95 plus interest and costs. The Premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale; Index # 509194/2017, Zvi Aryeh Storch, Esq., Referee. Richard & Falkowski, PLLC, 35-37 36th Street, 2nd Floor, ASTORIA, NY 11106 Dated: 12/6/2018 PB AJ; 12/28; 1/4/11/18

**NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS, GOSHEN MORTGAGE LLC, AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE FOR GDBT I TRUST 2011-1, Plaintiff, vs. NELFA GUZMAN, ET AL., Defendant (s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly filed on November 16, 2018, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Courthouse, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on February 7, 2019 at 2:30 p.m., premises known as 50 Pine Street, Brooklyn, NY 11208. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings and State of New York, Block 4117 and Lot 42. Approximate amount of judgment is \$1,075,461.07 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 7351/13. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee's attorney, or the Referee. Richard Alan Klass, Esq., Referee Peter T. Roach & Associates, P.C., 6901 Jericho Turnpike, Suite 240, Syosset, New York 11791, Attorneys for Plaintiff AJ; 12/28; 1/4/11/18**

**NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS** FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff AGAINST Dolores E. Clarke and Milton B Clarke, et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated February 09, 2017 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, Room 224, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201, on February 07, 2019 at 2:30PM, premises known as 941

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## Tradition.

## The God Who Acts in History



JONATHAN SACKS  
LONDON

The Israelites were at their lowest ebb. They had been enslaved. A decree had been issued that every male child was to be killed. Moses had been sent to liberate them, but the first effect of his intervention was to make matters worse, not better. Their quota of brick-making remained unchanged, but now they also had to provide their own straw. Initially they had believed Moses when he performed the signs God had given him and told them that God was about to rescue them. Now they turned against Moses and Aaron, accusing them:



*"May the Lord look upon you and judge you! You have made us a stench to Pharaoh and his officials and have put a sword in their hand to kill us."* (Exodus 5:20–21)

At this point Moses – who had been so reluctant to take on the mission – turned to God in protest and anguish:

*"O Lord, why have You brought trouble upon this people? Is this why You sent me? Ever since I went to Pharaoh to speak in Your name, he has brought trouble upon this people, and You have not rescued Your people at all."* (Exodus 5:22)

None of this, however, was accidental. The Torah is preparing the ground for one of its most monumental propositions: In the darkest night, Israel was about to have its greatest encounter with God. Hope was to be born at the very edge of the abyss of despair. There was nothing natural about this, nothing inevitable. No logic can give rise to hope; no law of history charts a path from slavery to redemption. The entire sequence of events was a prelude to the single most formative moment in the history of Israel: the intervention of God in history – the supreme Power intervening on behalf of the supremely powerless, not (as in every other culture) to endorse the status quo, but to overturn it.

God tells Moses: "I am Hashem,

and I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. I will free you from being slaves to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgment. I will take you as My own people, and I will be your God" (Ex. 6:6-7). The entire speech is full of interest, but what will concern us – as it has successive generations of interpreters – is what God tells Moses at the outset: "I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob as God Almighty [*E-l Shakai*], but by My name Hashem I was not known to them" (Ex. 6:3). A fundamental distinction is being made between the experience the patriarchs had of God, and the experience the Israelites were about to have. Something new, unprecedented, was about to happen. What is it?

Clearly it had to do with the names by which God is known. The verse distinguishes between *E-l Shakai* ("God Almighty") and the four-letter name of God which, because of its sanctity, Jewish tradition refers to simply as Hashem – "the name" par excellence.

As the classic Jewish commentators point out, the verse must be read with great care. It does not say that the patriarchs "did not know" this name; nor does it say that God did not "make this name known" to them. The name Hashem appears no less than 165 times in the book of Genesis. God Himself uses the phrase "I am Hashem" to both Abraham (Genesis 15:7) and Jacob (28:13). What, then, is new about the revelation of God that was about to happen in the days of Moses that had never happened before?

The Sages give various explanations. A Midrash says that God is known as Elokim when He judges human beings, *E-l Shakai* when He suspends judgment and Hashem when He shows mercy. Judah Halevi in *The Kuzari*, and Ramban in his Commentary, say that Hashem refers to God when He performs miracles that suspend the laws of nature. However, Rashi's explanation is the simplest and most elegant:

*It is not written here, "[My name, Hashem] I did not make*

*known to them" but rather "[By the name, Hashem] I was not known to them" – meaning, I was not recognised by them in My attribute of "keeping faith," by reason of which My name is "Hashem," namely that I am faithful to fulfil My word, for I made promises to them but I did not fulfil them [during their lifetime].*

The patriarchs had received promises from God. They would multiply and become a nation. They would inherit a land. Neither of these promises were realised in their lifetime. To the contrary, as Genesis reaches its close, the family of the patriarchs numbered a mere seventy souls. They had not yet acquired a land. They were in exile in Egypt. But now the fulfilment was about to begin.

Already, in the first chapter of Exodus, we hear, for the first time, the phrase *Am Bnei Yisrael*, "the people of the children of Israel" (Ex. 1:9). Israel was no longer a family, but a people. Moses at the burning bush was told by God that He was about to bring the people to "a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey" (Ex. 3:8). Hashem therefore means the God who acts in history to fulfil His promises.

This was something radically new – not just to Israel but to humanity as a whole. Until then, God (or the gods) was known through nature. God was in the sun, the stars, the rain, the storm, the fertility of the fields and the sequence of the seasons. When there was drought and famine, the gods were being angry. When there was produce in plenty, the gods were showing favour. The gods were nature personified. Never before had God intervened in history, to rescue a people from slavery and set them on the path to freedom. This was a revolution, at once political and intellectual.

To most humans at most times, there seems to be no meaning in history. We live, we die, and it is as if we had never been. The universe gives no sign of any interest in our existence. If that was so in ancient times, when people believed in the existence of gods, how much more so is it true today for the neo-Darwinians who see life as no more than the operation of "chance and necessity" (Jacques Monod) or "the blind watchmaker" (Richard Dawkins). Time seems to obliterate all meaning. Nothing lasts. Nothing endures.

In ancient Israel, by contrast, "for the first time, the prophets placed a value on history... For the first time, we find affirmed and increasingly accepted the idea that historical events have a value in themselves, insofar as they are determined by the will of God... Historical facts thus become situations of man in respect to God, and as such they acquire a religious value that nothing had previously been able to confer on them. It may, then, be said with truth that the Hebrews were the first to discover the meaning of history as the epiphany of God." Judaism is humanity's first glimpse of history as more than a mere succession of

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SHOUELA A/K/A ELI SHOUELA, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on September 25, 2018. I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Room 224 of the Kings County Courthouse, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. on the 7th day of February, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. premises described as follows: All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, known and designated as Lots Numbers 63 and 64, Block 6826, on a certain plan of lots called "Brooklyn Harlem" (temporary Name) surveyed for Wood Harmon & Co., March 1902 by Samuel H. McElroy, C.E. and C.S. and filed in Kings County Register's Office, March 23, 1902, and bounded and described as follows, to wit: Easterly at East 21st Street, 40 feet as shown on said plan; Southerly by Lot 62 in Block 100 feet as shown on said plan; Westerly by lots 26 and 25 in said Block 40 feet as shown on said plan; Northerly by Lot 65 in said Block 100 feet as shown on said plan. Said premises known as 1946 E. 21st Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11229. (Block: 6826, Lot: 27). Approximate amount of lien \$ 1,153,565.15 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 20507-13. Bartholomew M. Verdrame, Esq., Referee. Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 10 Bank Street - Suite 700 White Plains, New York 10606 (914) 949-2574  
AJ; 1/4/11/18/25

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Adjustable Rate Mortgage Trust 2005-11, Adjustable Rate Mortgage Backed Pass Through Certificates, Series 2005-11, Plaintiff AGAINST Abraham Brander; David Brander; et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated December 5, 2018 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on February 7, 2019 at 2:30PM, premises known as 872 Bedford Avenue, Unit 4, Brooklyn, NY 11205. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block 1900 Lot 1704. Approximate amount of judgment \$292,175.02 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 511965/2014. Leonard Spector, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 430-4792 Dated: December 21, 2018 60115  
AJ; 1/4/11/18/25

Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC) Name: Upper Level F & R Cleaning Service LLC. Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York (SSNY) on 10/18/2018. Office location: Bronx County. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of the process to: Fatima 2080 Wallace Ave. Suite 429 Bronx, NY 10462. Purpose: all lawful activity  
AJ; 1/4/11/18/25; 2/1/18

happenings – as nothing less than a drama of redemption in which the fate of a nation reflects its loyalty or otherwise to a covenant with God.

It is hard to recapture this turning point in the human imagination, just as it is hard for us to imagine what it was like for people first to encounter Copernicus' discovery that the earth went round the sun. It must have been a terrifying threat to all who believed that the earth did not move; that it was the one stable point in a shifting universe. So it was with time. The ancients believed that nothing really changed. Time was, in Plato's phrase, no more than the "moving image of eternity." That was the certainty that gave people solace. The times may be out of joint, but eventually things will return to the way they were.

To think of history as an arena of change is terrifying likewise. It means that what happened once may never happen again; that we are embarked on a journey with no assurance that we will ever return to where we began. It is what Milan Kundera meant in his phrase, "the unbearable lightness of being." Only profound faith – a new kind of faith, breaking with the entire world of ancient mythology – could give people the courage to set out on a journey to the unknown.

That is the meaning of Hashem: the God who intervenes in history. As Judah Halevi points out, the Ten Commandments begin not with the words "I am the Lord your God who created heaven and earth," but "I am the Lord your God who brought you out from Egypt, from the house of slavery." Elokim is God as we encounter Him in nature and creation, but Hashem is God as revealed in history, in the liberation of the Israelites from slavery and Egypt.

I find it moving that this is precisely what many non-Jewish observers have concluded. This, for example, is the verdict of the Russian thinker Nikolai Berdyaev:

*I remember how the materialist interpretation of history,*

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ASHFORD STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11207. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK 4403, LOT 54. Approximate amount of judgment \$419,490.04 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment for Index# 506248/2015. Gregory T. Cerchione, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 59904  
AJ; 1/4/11/18/25

SUPREME COURT – COUNTY OF KINGS HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, FOR THE HOLDERS OF THE J.P. MORGAN ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2006-A5 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, Plaintiff against ISAAC SHOUELA, A/K/A ISAAC SHOUELA, ELI



## Social.



Amos Oz. Photo: Dem Blauen Sofa via Flickr

## ‘My Heart Is Broken’: Celebrities Mourn Death of Israeli Author Amos Oz

BY SHIRYN GHERMEZIAN

A number of leading celebrities have expressed their sorrow following the death of acclaimed Israeli author Amos Oz on Friday at the age of 79 from cancer.

Israeli-born actress Natalie Portman — who made her directorial debut turning Oz’s 2002 memoir, *A Tale of Love and Darkness*, into a movie in which she starred as his mother — wrote in an Instagram post after Oz’s death was announced, “My heart is broken.”

“Today we lost a soul, a mind, a heart,” she continued, “Amos Oz, who brought so much beauty, so much love, and a vision of peace to our lives. Please hold him in your hearts and read his gorgeous books.



My most loving embrace to his family, who he loved extremely.”

Oz, a winner of the Israel Prize in literature, was buried on Monday at Kibbutz Hulda, the communal farm in central Israel where he lived for many years.

Actress Barbara Streisand called Oz “a wonderful man and writer” in a Twitter post dedicated to the respected novelist, and also shared a black and white photo of them together.

Israeli actress and “Wonder Woman” star Gal Gadot called Oz a “beacon of light for peace” on Instagram and said his words “meant so much for so many.” She also posted a lengthy quote from Oz’s book *How to Cure a Fanatic*.

Oz is survived by his wife, Nily, and three children — Fania, Galia and Daniel.

## Amos Oz’s Son Eulogizes His Father in Emotional Facebook Post: ‘I Am Still Struggling’

BY BENJAMIN KERSTEIN

The late revered Israeli writer Amos Oz, who died Friday at the age of 79, was eulogized by his son Daniel in an emotional Facebook post on Sunday.

A writer and musician, Daniel Oz was in New York when he heard his father was dying. Noting that, at the same time, an electrical accident had lit up the Manhattan sky in blue, Daniel wrote, “all the clouds and buildings were painted a supernatural turquoise” as “we ordered urgent tickets and started packing with the goal of getting there and catching his last moments.”

“The next morning,” said Daniel, “my sister Fania informed me of his death.”



The late Israeli author Amos Oz. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

“I discover to my horror that I cannot contain my father’s memory,” he continued. “Many of you already know ... that the glass vessel called a man does not have enough space for this purpose. It’s new to me and so I am still struggling.”

“I would like to thank each and every one of you personally for the condolences and remembrances,” he added, “and hope to do so, but not now, and not because they are not seen and felt. They are seen and felt.”

Daniel called these fellow mourners, “Total strangers. Jews, Christians, Muslims, and non-believers. ... From Israel and the rest of the world. You who wrote to me. You do not all know each other. But I see now that you are a tribe. Not every day and not in everything, but sometimes and in several specific ways you are a giant and colorful, expansive tribe. The most colorful tribe.”

“This tribe has no president and no general-secretary,” David added, “and no common denominator except by its very nature — and its willingness to act, and not just on a few essential issues, as a single great tribe not in spite of but because of its internal differences. Not always, but sometimes to be happy together. To be sad together.”

He noted, “My father once wrote, ‘Difference between human beings is not a fleeting evil but the source of blessing.’ And I know that on this one thing you all agree.”

Daniel stated that his father would be buried on Monday at Kibbutz Hulda, of which he was once a member, and in accordance with his wishes there would be no religious rituals.

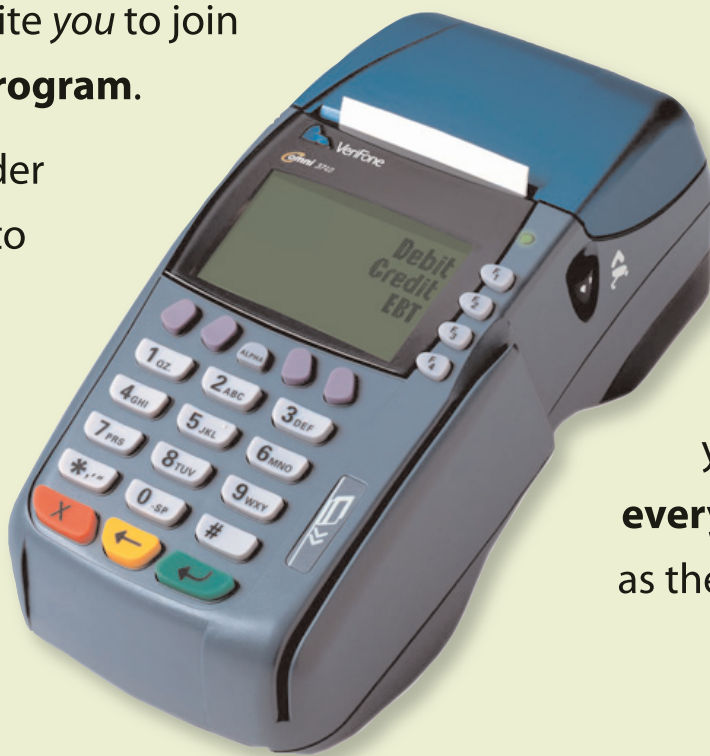


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