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7:29 p.m. NYC E.D.T.

Sabbath Ends: 8:10 p.m. NYC E.D.T.

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Weekly Reading: Ekev

Weekly Haftara: Vatomer Tziyyon (Isaiah 49:14-51:3)

Daf Yomi: Kesuvos 44

Mishna Yomit: Ma'asros 4:3-4

Halacha Yomit: Shulchan Aruch, Orach Chayyim 308:13-15

Rambam Yomi: Hilchos Isurei Bi'ah chap. 18-20

Earliest time for Tallis and Tefillin: 5:16 a.m. NYC E.D.T.

Sunrise: 6:10 a.m. NYC E.D.T.

Latest Krias Shema: 9:34 a.m. NYC E.D.T.

Plag Haminchah: 6:22 p.m. NYC E.D.T.

Sunset: 7:47 p.m. NYC E.D.T.

Pirkei Avos: 4

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## Candle Lighting Times In North America

August 19 and August 26, 2022

Atlanta	8:00, 7:52	Hartford	7:25, 7:15	Phoenix	6:51, 6:42
Baltimore	7:37, 7:27	Houston	7:39, 7:31	Pittsburgh	7:52, 7:42
Boston	7:20, 7:09	Kansas City	7:49, 7:39	San Diego	7:10, 7:02
Buffalo	7:52, 7:41	Los Angeles	7:16, 7:07	San Francisco	7:38, 7:28
Chicago	7:23, 7:12	Memphis	7:25, 7:16	Seattle	7:55, 7:42
Cincinnati	8:08, 7:58	Miami Beach	7:34, 7:27	St. Louis	7:30, 7:20
Cleveland	8:01, 7:50	Milwaukee	7:28, 7:17	St. Paul	7:53, 7:41
Dallas	7:49, 7:40	Montreal	7:36, 7:24	Toronto	7:56, 7:44
Denver	7:31, 7:21	Newark	7:30, 7:19	Washington	7:38, 7:28
Detroit	8:08, 7:57	Philadelphia	7:32, 7:22	Winnipeg	6:19, 6:05

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# Editorials

## Mayor Adams' Negative Proposal

New York's Mayor Eric Adams is being called out for his recent directive that city agencies provide him with headshots of applicants for city jobs ranging from assistant commissioner to departmental press secretary. One would think that the Mayor had enough on his plate – what with rampant crime and homelessness, failing schools, and crumbling infrastructure – that he wouldn't have time to spend thinking about how best to hire people based on their race.

The New York Post reports that the overwhelming percentage of new hires for some time now have been people of color, with 31% of employees across all agencies Black, 17% Hispanic, and 11.5% Asian

in a city that's about 20% Black, 28% Hispanic and 16% Asian.

Current and past officials disclosed to Politico that Mayor Adams is intent on fulfilling his oft-stated aim of having a municipal work force that "reflect[s] the constituencies we serve." On their end, the Mayor and his aides insist that this is not at all about race but about respect for his employees: "I should know my employees, I should walk up to them and say thank you."

That objective would be just as well served by getting photos of employees *after* they are hired, thank you very much.

## The Arab World Continues Its Move Towards Israel

The overall Arab reaction to Operation Breaking Dawn was akin to their muted response to the death of Palestinian-American Shireen Abu Aqleh a while back. It appears to confirm that the Abraham Accords are both taking root and are for real, and Israel's neighbors are prepared to move on from the Palestinian paralysis.

As we noted at the time of Ms. Abu Aqleh's death, that was the first time most Arab countries, rather than issuing the customary hackneyed condemnations of Israel even before the facts were in, instead called for a "transparent" investigation into what really happened. Israel said at the time that it couldn't determine whether the bullet came from an Israeli or Palestinian gun without further evidence. The Palestinians, of course, insisted from the start that the bullet came from an IDF gun but refused Israel's offer to conduct a joint investigation. They initially refused to turn the bullet over for examination by third parties; in the end, the United States was given the bullet for study but the inquiry didn't result in anything definitive.

In response to Operation Breaking Dawn, scholars and journalists in Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, and Bahrain – hardly bastions of free speech or free press – took to condemning Is-

lamic Jihad for provoking Israel. According to the Middle East Media Research Institute, as reported in Yeshiva World News, one prominent Saudi academic wrote:

"It is apparent that if at one time any confrontation between Israel and the Palestinian organizations would attract world and Arab attention and provoke a wave of anger [against Israel], today this does not shock most Arabs and most of the world's [countries]. Furthermore, even a sense of human solidarity [with Palestinians] has become rare and embarrassing, raising the question, Why [is this so] and who is to blame?"

Is it because the [Palestinian] side [leading] the confrontation is an extremist Islamist organization [Islamic Jihad] whose activity is subordinate to orders from Iran... Or is it because this is an outcome of the Palestinian leaders' cumulative failures throughout history in dealing with the Palestinian cause?"

This theme that the Palestinian cause has morphed into a confrontation between Israel and Iran in which few Arab states have an abiding interest was echoed by some others as well.

Another leading Saudi journalist mocked Iran

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## Letters to the Editor

### Dr. Amy Neustein, Advocate for Mothers' Rights

I am in Eretz Yisrael for a family reunion with four generations of my family. I just read Rebecca Guzman's article on Dr. Amy Neustein's Sisyphean battle to reform the American Family Court System ("One Woman's Fight Against the American Family Court System," August 12). I am overcome with both awe for what this woman has done to help other mothers and with great sadness that she cannot hold her own child in her arms or hear her

voice. I know Dr. Neustein from Fort Lee, New Jersey, where I served as past president of the Young Israel of Fort Lee. I didn't know much about her work as an advocate or her recognition as a national icon among mothers either. Instead, I know her as a kind, sensitive woman who showed a sincere concern for me as a recent widower battling grief and loneliness after the loss of my best friend and *ezer kenegdo* of nearly 61 years.

In reading this article in *The Jewish Press* I am roused by the

colossal injustice that befell such a lovely, caring, refined woman, and by the injustice affecting mothers of all faiths. I am a Levi and in the shul where I davened this morning, I davened for Dr. Neustein's happiness and for a reunion with her daughter as well as for all the mothers across America who have been bereft of their children. Let the New Year bring genuine happiness to Dr. Neustein and to all the mothers who so richly deserve their chil-

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dren. Motherhood is the bedrock of our tradition and faith. I thank *The Jewish Press* for publishing this most important story.

Marty Epstein  
Fort Lee, N.J.

### Amy Neustein's Fight

Thank you for publishing such a fascinating article ("One Woman's Fight Against the American Family Court System," August 12) which was about Dr. Amy Neustein, what she went through, and what she has done on behalf of so many other women who meet with similar tragic fates. It is a wonderful thing when a person who suffers a tragic situation can help others overcome similar tragedies instead of just sitting around and feeling sorry for themselves. Dr. Neustein evidently is a very impressive person, in general, to accomplish what she has accomplished. On top of that, her first-person account of the revelation to her at Ratner's Restaurant so many years ago is enough to strengthen people's beliefs in G-d and *Kabbalah*!

Ella Scheeler  
Los Angeles, Calif.

### A Solution to the Agunah Situation

I wish to comment on the article, "Escaping From A Marriage That Almost Cost Her Life," (July 29). This told the story of a woman who was dreadfully abused, physically and mentally, during her marriage. She got a civil divorce, but her husband refused to grant a *get* for over ten years. What a "*shanda*" that she had to suffer her loss of freedom for over ten years.

I propose a solution to the inhumane *agunah* situation. Boards

of organizations overseeing rabbis should insist that no rabbi perform a marriage unless the man signs a legally binding prenup stating that he will immediately grant a *get* following a divorce.

Gloria Golbert  
East Windsor, N.J.

### Nancy Pelosi Invites...

Did you receive an invitation to Democratic House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's latest campaign fundraiser? It will be held in trendy East Hampton on September 4 on behalf of the Democratic Party National Congressional Committee. Tickets start at \$5,000 for a friend, \$10,000 sponsor, \$25,000 host or \$36,500 to join the Speakers Cabinet. Paying \$36,500 affords you admission to a private reception with Pelosi before lunch. Her husband might offer some insider information for future stock investments. They might tell you how you can build your net worth up to \$100 million like they have.

Like most ordinary Long Islanders, I can't afford the price of admission. I am willing to park limousines, bus tables, mix drinks or check coats in exchange to get in. President Biden's Department of Homeland Security can schedule one of their midnight flights for illegal immigrants coming over the border to land in the Hamptons. They could mingle with the guests and provide some inexpensive bus boys, kitchen staff, bartenders or parking attendants to help keep event costs down for Pelosi & Company. After the event, each guest could take an immigrant home. Offer them lodging, food, clothing, a job and add them to your health insurance plan.

Larry Penner  
Great Neck, N.Y.

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for not only making empty threats to "wipe Israel off the map" but also manipulating Palestinians in Gaza to attack Israel and then leaving them to suffer the consequences.

The same message from a UAE academic: Iran has repeated declarations to "deal with Israel's crimes" for 40 years, but failed to take any action. Also, a UAE daily condemned Islamic Jihad writing that since Iran is too cowardly to directly confront Israel, "Gaza is the sole outlet for an Iranian response and for the settling of accounts between Iran and Israel, with the Palestinians the ones paying the price."

We were also intrigued by a Je-

rusalem Post report on an increasing denouncement among Arab youth of Hamas and Islamic Jihad's actions against Israel. It seems that after the Abraham Accords agreements and other steps taken by the Arab countries, like the recent formal opening of Saudi airspace to Israel overflights, more young Arabs are condemning Islamic Jihad and Hamas for using Gaza as a launching pad to start wars with Israel. They see that in countries controlled by Iran - Iraq, Lebanon, Syria, and Yemen - the people suffer daily with their basic needs for survival, while in the Arab countries that signed the Abraham Accords people

## An Additional Endorsement

To our previous list of endorsements for the August 23 New York State primary elections, we add **Maria Danzilo**.

Danzilo is running as the Democratic Party's candidate for the New York Senate in District 47, which covers the West Side of Manhattan including the Upper West Side, Hell's Kitchen, and Hudson Yards. She is a strong supporter of Israel, urges roll-

ing back the disastrous bail reform law of 2019 (and giving judges more discretion to hold defendants on bail), and lowering taxes.

Her opponent, incumbent Brad Hoylman, is one of the leading lights of the progressive movement and was a principal architect of the 2019 bail law.

We urge our readers to support **Maria Danzilo** on August 23.

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