



HAPPY
Hanukkah

December 2018 Newsletter

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A Message from Judah, *Executive Director*



The month of December — the last in our annual calendar — marks the completion of a 12-month cycle, thus it also signifies a return. This may help to explain why it's a month of religious celebration in so many cultures around the world.

For me personally, as the new director of Garden of Palms, it is all of these things. The very first Hanukkah, or Festival of Lights, was a rededication of the Second Temple in Jerusalem ending in 160 BC. Much more recently, it was only three years ago that I left my position here to join the staff of another community in the same family. It is with great pleasure that I return now and rejoin this branch of the family as an administrator. And this is my favorite part of Garden of Palms: the overwhelming sense of family among residents and staff, right from the moment of walking in the front door. Some of you I know personally from before and it's a happy reconnection. For those I'm meeting only now, I can't wait to get to know the light that shines in each one of you.

Just in time for the holidays and the feasting that implies, we also have a new chef on board, Moshe Winters. I'm looking forward to his *latkes*, *sufganiot* and brisket on my first Hanukkah back at Garden of Palms.

There's plenty more to look forward to as we wrap up our calendar year. We continue to have live entertainment every Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday, and you can anticipate seeing new and interesting types of events on our calendar. I'm excited to make Garden of Palms as great as it can be!

Chag Sameach!

Judah Cohen

Garden of Palms Snapshots

We voted!



**Visit to Farmers
Market**

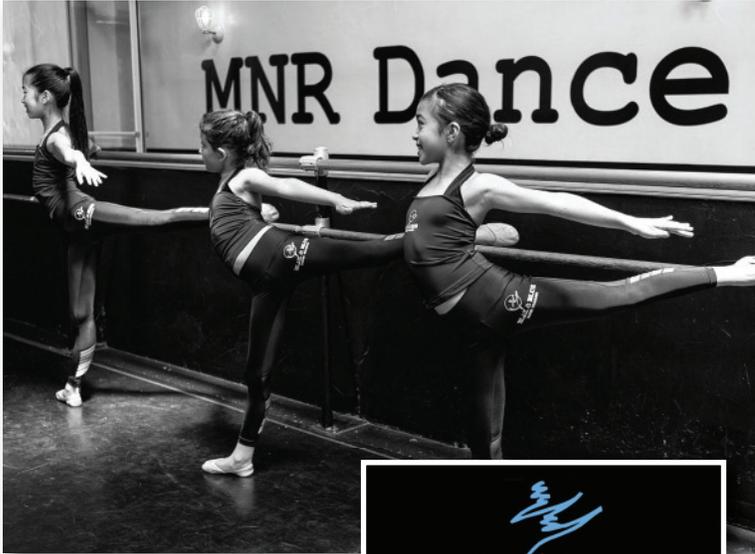


Eugeny & Frecia



Mina Deutsch





Children's Dance Performance

Calling all dance lovers! On December 8 we'll be hosting a very special event with the granddaughter of resident Miriam Levy. Ariella works with the MNR Dance Factory, a local dance school that includes a competitive team that also performs for local children's charities, and a socially conscious dance project. You'll be amazed at the skill of these young performers! As the Dance Factory likes to say, Take more chances, dance more dances.



Please be sure to attend our Special Music Concerts in December.

12/02	Concert w/Matthew Stoneman	2:00 p.m.
12/05	Gardens Concert w/Winfeal	2:00 p.m.
12/06	Piano Concert w/Yakov	2:00 p.m.
12/09	Variety Show w/Jacqi Bowe	2:00 p.m.
12/12	Gardens Concert w/Alula Tzadik	2:00 p.m.
12/13	Country Music w/Michael Quest	2:00 p.m.
12/16	Romantic Concert w/Carlos Greco	2:00 p.m.
12/19	Gardens Concert w/Marc Cole	2:00 p.m.
12/20	Violinist Concert w/Yasha	2:00 p.m.
12/23	Concert w/Guitarist Bob Levy	2:00 p.m.
12/26	Broadway Music w/Mara	2:00 p.m.
12/27	Birthday Karaoke w/Mario	2:00 p.m.
12/30	Swing Music w/Mike and Mandy	2:00 p.m.



Staff Spotlight
 Evelyn Aquetzalli Guzman-Corripio
 Caregiver

Art lover Evelyn Guzman-Corripio has a diverse personality to match. Born in Mexico City, the eldest of six children, she later moved to L.A. to pursue a career as a makeup artist. At Garden of Palms she brings a colorful disposition and a smile to work each day. "I love helping the residents," she says, "giving them love and care, listening to what they have to say. I am very grateful to have lovable residents who give me the opportunity and trust to enter their lives. My ladies and gentlemen all have a special place in my heart." In contrast to her loving nature, Evelyn is a fan of the horror genre and loves solving mysteries and creating special effects makeup. She also enjoys nature, adventure, gourmet vegetarian food, and her dogs Kahlua and Blue. An avid communicator, Evelyn is a big fan of music and dancing, which she feels connect her with anyone around the world. "I dream with my eyes open," she says. "I know I have a life ahead of me, growing mentally, spiritually and physically, traveling and meeting new people. Everything I do will benefit the future God has in line for me. It's all about having faith."

Religious Services and Study

Shabbat Services

Fridays at 2:00 p.m.

Saturdays at 9:30 a.m.



December 5

Pick Your Decorating Style

The 99 has tons of new designer collections to get your home all decked out for the holidays. They've got the "Rustic Holiday" featuring plaid and more plaid, "Glitter, Shimmer, Shine" for a more elegant trussing up, "Starry Night" for plenty of deep purple and blues, along with "Peace and Harmony," "Winter White," and plenty more to help you ring in the holiday.



December 12

Getty Museum

Explore the gardens, enjoy the incredible architecture, even take a tour of the collection highlights. Not only is this a wonderful place to visit for its amazing art, the Getty gift shop also offers an opportunity to pick up a holiday gift or two for the artsy people in your life.



December 19

Holidays Cheesecake Factory

What better way to experience the holidays than with your sweet tooth! And who to better serve that up but those who know it best. The Cheesecake Factory and their multiple variations on holiday cheesecakes is a great way to celebrate the season.



December 26

Everyone's Favorite Nanny Returns

If you're a Mary Poppins fan, you will not want to miss this magical opportunity to see *Mary Poppins Returns* on the big screen. The film is directed by Rob Marshall, and stars a magnificent cast including Emily Blunt, Dick Van Dyke, Meryl Streep, Angela Lansbury, Colin Firth, and Lin-Manuel Miranda as Jack.

Performer Highlight: *Jacqi Bowe*



Get ready for laughs, music and dance when Jacqi Bowe brings her exuberant variety show to Garden of Palms. Blending favorite show tunes and original comedy, her delightful energy is likely to brighten not just your day, but your entire month! Jacqi sings and dances jazz, ballet and tap — she's tap danced with Gregory Hines and Sammy Davis, Jr. — and has toured with Broadway shows. She also plays the ukulele. Don't miss this fun afternoon December 9! Everyone leaves with a smile.

Art for the Heart



Art is sometimes described as having six functions: It delights us, it is a commentary (on culture, philosophy etc), it is used in worship and ritual, it can commemorate something or someone, it can be used for persuasion, and most of all it is a wonderful means of self-expression. For many children, art is their very favorite thing in life. We're lucky at Garden of Palms that the City Kids come to make art with us. They'll be here December 11 and 18, so whatever your desires in creating art, please be sure to join us and bring your imagination.



Monthly Birthdays

Celebrate on Thursday, December 27 at 2:00 p.m.

Morris Aronoff 12/07

CONGRATS



Residents enjoy Bingo with the City Kids.



Ruth Pomerantz displays her painted nails.



Fay Shatzkin shows off her painted nails.



The Toras Emes Academy is always a welcome visit at Garden of Palms.

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