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US-Iran war could be imminent and take weeks, sources warn after latest nuclear talks

By TOI STAFF, LAZAR BERMAN and AGENCIES

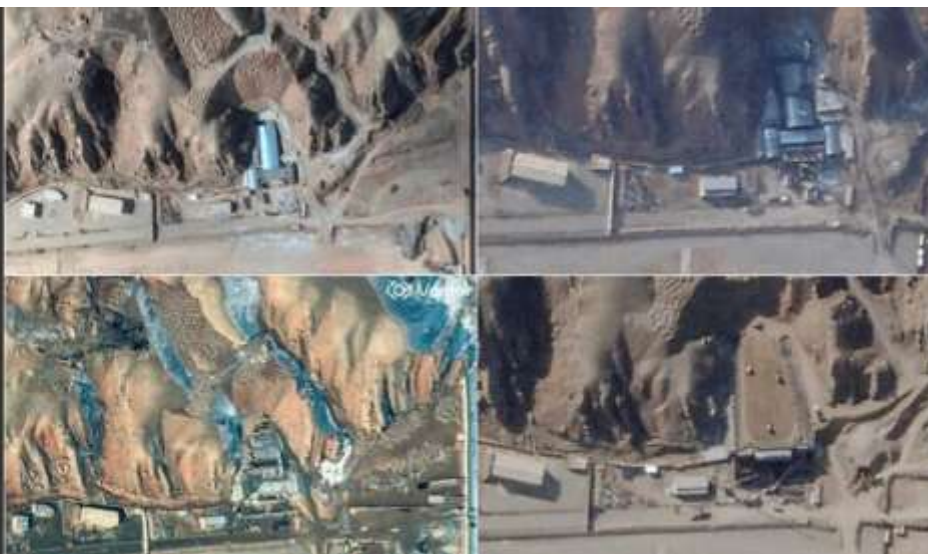
Ex-IDF Military Intelligence chief says we're 'much closer than before' to conflict, as US energy secretary warns Washington will stop Tehran getting nukes 'one way or the other'



Satellite images show Iran repairing, fortifying military and nuclear sites

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Report: Major, weeks-long US-Israel operation against Iran could be imminent * IDF soldier killed in Gaza 'friendly fire' * Satellite images show Iran repairing, fortifying military and nuclear sites



THE TIMES OF ISRAEL

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/>

IDF soldier killed in 'friendly fire' incident in southern Gaza

By EMANUEL FABIAN

Initial military probe finds Staff Sgt. Ofri Yafe was killed near Yellow Line in Khan Younis area around 2 a.m. after being mistakenly identified as part of enemy forces



"TERUMAH" IN A NUTSHELL ...



The name of the Parshah, "Terumah," means "Offering" and it is found in [Exodus 25:2](#).

The people of [Israel](#) are called upon to contribute thirteen materials—gold, silver and copper; blue-, purple- and red-dyed wool; flax, goat hair, animal skins, wood, olive oil, spices and gems—out of which, [G'd](#) says to [Moses](#), "[They shall make for Me a Sanctuary, and I shall dwell amidst them.](#)"

On the summit of [Mount Sinai](#), Moses is given detailed instructions on [how to construct this dwelling](#) for [G'd](#) so that it could be readily dismantled, transported and reassembled as the people journeyed in the desert.

In the [Sanctuary's inner chamber](#), behind an artistically woven curtain, was the [ark](#) containing the [tablets of the testimony](#) engraved with the [Ten Commandments](#); on the ark's cover stood two winged cherubim hammered out of pure gold. In the outer chamber stood the [seven-branched menorah](#) and the table upon

which the "[showbread](#)" was arranged.

The Sanctuary's three walls were fitted together from 48 upright wooden boards, each of which was overlaid with gold and held up by a pair of silver foundation sockets. The roof was formed of three layers of coverings: (a) tapestries of multicolored wool and linen; (b) a covering made of goat hair; (c) a covering of ram and [tachash](#) skins. Across the front of the Sanctuary was an embroidered screen held up by five posts.

Surrounding the Sanctuary and the copper-plated altar which fronted it was an enclosure of linen hangings, supported by 60 wooden posts with silver hooks and trimmings, and reinforced by copper stakes.

Learn: [Terumah in Depth](#)
Browse: [Terumah Parshah Columnists](#)
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TORAH GEM "Zakher 169"

"Clearly, I thought, Uncle had made a difficult request of Dom Miguel, one that he must have refused. Otherwise, my master would not have made reference to Metatron, the Talmudic angel who records the good deeds of Israel. As for the request to repeat Metatron's name one-hundred and sixty-nine times, that was typical of my uncle; it was the number of times the verb 'zakhar', to remember, appeared in the Old Testament in its various forms.

Whenever my master wanted someone of little experience in philosophy to understand a difficult reading of Torah, he gave them a holy phrase related to the verse in question to repeat this many times. Slowly comprehension would take shape in the subject's mind." (Page 67) While the number 169 appears in this historical fiction, it is rooted in serious Jewish scholarship.

The renowned historian Yosef Hayim Yerushalmi, in his seminal work *Zakhor*, notes that the verbal root of "to remember" appears in the Tanakh exactly 169 times. Linguistically, this count distinguishes the active verb from other nouns sharing the same root. For students of Gematria (Jewish numerology), this frequency is particularly profound. The number 169 is the square of 13 ($13 \times 13 = 169$).

In the Hebrew tradition, 13 is the numerical value of both Echad " - אחד)One/Unity") and Ahava " - אהבה)Love"). By appearing 169 times, the act of remembering is mathematically revealed as the multi-dimensional expansion of both Unity and Love.

Adapted from "The Last Kabbalist of Lisbon" by Richard Zimler, 1998, page 67. Archives: <https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/torahtidbits>

YIDDISH CORNER ...

Zol Got mir helfn May God help me!

Halevay!
May it be so!

Lang leben zolt ir
May you live long

Paskudnyak
Mean, evil person

May you live
as long as you
wish and love
as long as you
live.

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Camp JCC is a great place to be! Are you ready for the summer; are you ready for the good times? [Summer Camp registration](#) opens for our members today (public registration opens Wednesday, February 25)!

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We have a jam-packed summer planned with something for everyone... exciting theme weeks, hands-on activities, outdoor adventures, and plenty of time to make new friends. Take a peek at our [Camp JCC guide](#) and get ready for an unforgettable summer at [Camp JCC](#)!



We're very excited to offer private **Glow in the Dark Pickleball!** Two-hour bookings will be available for up to five participants per court (only one person needs to book and pay; all participants must check in at the Customer Service Desk under the booking name). Member: \$45 • Public: \$70.

[Online booking](#) is now available for members and is filling up fast! Click "Next Week" in the top-right of the calendar to view future dates.

Saturday, March 7

Court times: 8:00am - 8:00pm

Public registration opens on Saturday, February 21 at 8:00am

Sunday, March 8

Court times: 8:00am - 12:00pm

Public registration opens on Sunday, February 22 at 8:00am

For more information, [contact Matt Danko](#).

<https://jcca.org/find-a-jcc/calgary-jewish-community-centre/>

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CALGARY ...



CHAIR OR NOT CHAIR – THAT IS THE QUESTION

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This inspiring event asks an important question: “What would have happened if Itzhak Perlman had been denied the opportunity to perform seated?”

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Followed by a live musical performance from Mariya Usachev Bukhta (violinist) and Rachel Kreyner (pianist).

Chair or Not Chair — That Is the Question:

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The poster features a dark blue background with white and light blue geometric patterns, including musical notes and a Star of David. Below the text is a photograph of a live performance on a stage. A man in a dark jacket is playing a double bass, while another man sits to his right. A large screen in the background displays the word 'HEROES' and a Star of David. The audience is visible in the foreground, seated and facing the stage.

<https://www.calgaryjcc.com/events/>

Your Calgary JCC



Experience these exciting programs and events this February!
Register online or by contacting our Customer Service Desk at 403-253-8600 x0. We can't wait to see you!



**Mask Your Joy
Purim Craft Workshop**
Tuesday, February 24
7:00pm
FREE

Get ready for *Purim* with a fun and creative craft experience! Design and decorate your own festive mask using feathers, glitter, sequins, beads, ribbons, and more. Open to kids, teens, and families — all materials are provided, just

bring your creativity and festive spirit! [Register now](#) or contact the JCC Customer Service Desk at 403-253-8600 x0 (course code: 11989).



**Welcome Shabbat & Tot Shabbat
Purim Celebration**
Friday, February 27
10:30am
FREE

Everyone is welcome to celebrate a special holiday *Shabbat* with us at the JCC, so feel free to dress up in your favourite *Purim* costumes! Join us for songs, candle lighting, *kiddush*, and *hamotzi*. We are pleased to partner with [PJ](#)

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18+

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Purim Carnival

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MARCH 7 | 8:00 PM

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- Bear witness to courage and rebuilding near Gaza's border.
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RECIPE OF THE WEEK ...

jamie geller



THE GIFT OF GIVING SHABBAT MENU

In this week's parsha, we celebrate the beauty and mystery of the sanctuary. The gifts we give—the *Terumah*—help create a space for the Divine presence to dwell among us. From the pure gold of the Menorah to the vibrant fabrics of the Mishkan, we are inspired to give from our hearts to our friends, family, and neighbors. Since we are already feeling the pre-Purim energy, I've put together a menu that is as beautiful to look at as it is to share.

<https://jamiegeller.com/menus/a-gifting-shabbat-menu/>

Canadian Jewish students on front line



Shortly after Maya Fuerstenberg arrived on campus for her first year at Dalhousie University in Halifax last fall, she wandered through the Dalhousie Student Union's society expo, a showcase of student organizations representing a wide range of faiths, cultures and backgrounds. There were Muslim societies, Christian groups, cultural associations of every kind, she said. "But there was no Jewish society."

"I literally walked every floor looking for one," she recalled. "There are tens of thousands of students at Dalhousie. There are Jews here. I kept thinking, there has to be something. But there wasn't."

Fuerstenberg explained that there is a Jewish Law Students Society at the university, which is specific to graduate students studying law, along with a school-affiliated Hillel and Chabad. None of these organizations held a booth at the expo.

The first-year neuroscience student decided that if a Jewish Society didn't exist, she would create one.

Within weeks, Fuerstenberg assembled a small team and began the process of founding what would become the Dalhousie Jewish Society (DJS) — a student group designed to provide a welcoming space for Jewish students while also fostering allyship and education among the broader campus community.

"I've always been surrounded by a very strong, tight-knit Jewish community," said Fuerstenberg, who graduated from Toronto's largest Jewish high school, TanenbaumCHAT. "Coming here, I suddenly realized that for a lot of people, I was the first Jewish person they'd ever met."

That realization helped shape the mandate of the society. From the outset, DJS was intentionally framed not only as a Jewish space, but as an inclusive one.

"It's not just for Jewish undergraduates," she said. "Allyship was really important to me. I wanted people who aren't Jewish — who maybe grew up in small towns or have never met a Jew — to feel welcome and included."

The Dalhousie Jewish Society differs from Hillel and Chabad on

campus because it is affiliated with Dalhousie directly—giving Jewish students clear representation on campus, Fuerstenberg explained.

"Because we will be able to use spaces like Dalhousie buildings, our society can be increasingly open to non-Jewish students as well, who are looking to be more educated on Judaism and antisemitism. Also, Chabad and Hillel serve the Jewish community at large, while we aim to focus on Dalhousie students, both Jewish and allies," she said.

This past December Fuerstenberg organized a menorah lighting in the basement of her residence on the first night of Hanukkah. The majority of attendees were not Jewish, she said.

"The more non-Jews we get, the better," she said. "Not to convert or pressure anyone — just to invite people in, to let them experience holidays we love and understand what being Jewish actually means."

The path to formal recognition was not without obstacles. Fuerstenberg said the group encountered administrative delays while working with the student union, particularly around ratification and banking logistics. Still, she said the challenges were expected — and worth pushing through.

"We knew it wasn't going to be easy," she said. "But the silent majority has been incredibly supportive. Jews and non-Jews alike have been big allies, which honestly surprised me in the best way."

Today, the Dalhousie Jewish Society is officially up and running. The group recently held its first booth at the winter society expo last month, and continues to grow its membership. Beyond social and holiday programming, DJS is also focused on combatting antisemitism on campus, acting as a bridge between students and university administration when incidents arise.

"We have a QR code where people can report antisemitic incidents," Fuerstenberg explained. "We meet with campus security and administrators so students don't have to navigate that alone."

For Fuerstenberg, the work is about both vigilance and joy — protecting Jewish students while also celebrating Jewish life openly and proudly.

"It's Jewish representation, Jewish values, and Jewish celebration," she said.

The Canadian Jewish News

US Jewish Olympic Curling Medallist

THE JEWISH CHRONICLE



USA curling silver medalists Cory Thiesse and Korey Dropkin hold up their medals on the podium of the mixed doubles event during the Milano Cortina 2026 Winter Olympic Games at the Cortina Curling Olympic Stadium in Cortina d'Ampezzo on February 10, 2026 (Getty Images)

Jewish athlete Korey Dropkin has made history by winning the silver medal in the mixed doubles curling at the Winter Olympics – the US team's first ever medal in the event – on Tuesday.

He claimed the medal alongside teammate Cory Thiesse, who became the first American woman to win an Olympic medal in any curling event.

Dropkin, 30, said: "I've got the best team that I could ever ask for... it's been a special week that we've been able to share. Thank you to everyone back home watching, all around the US, around the world".

<https://www.thejc.com/news/world/jewish-curling-korey-dropkin->

Volunteer to assist the IDF in Israel...



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Canadian Volunteers For Israel

In Edmonton contact Bernie Estrin
In Calgary contact Milton Bogoch

Who volunteers?

Students
Retirees
Working people
Jews
Christians
Non-religious

Volunteers come from
all over the world



Now that I have had a few months to digest my Sar-El experience of February (2013), I wanted to share some of my thoughts with you. As with most other first time volunteers, I was not sure what to expect when I arrived at the airport in Tel Aviv with instructions to meet in front of the "Swarovski booth". Forty-five years ago when I reported for duty with the US Army, it was certainly not at the Swarovski booth!

My first encounter with Sar-El was with coordinator Pamela Lazarus who bore no resemblance to my long-ago drill sergeant. Pamela was clearly in charge, but needed no uniform or bluster to display command presence. It was the first indication that I had that things here would be different. Sar-El and the IDF were profoundly different from the military that I knew. In Sar-El we followed orders because we wanted to and because orders were communicated in a collegial,

outcome-oriented and egalitarian manner; we were all pulling in the same direction with no personal agendas! Soldiers, civilian supervisors and volunteers all knew the stakes - there were no slackers.

I felt at home in Israel even though it was only the second time I had been there. When I went to sleep the first night (on my half inch thick worn out mattress), I was emotionally in my own bed. My barracks mates, whom I had just met, were my family-Jews from around the world with whom I shared common ancestry and common beliefs. I immediately liked them and trusted them-and put up with their snoring as they did with mine. In the morning at flag raising, it was difficult to get out the words of HaTikvah while watching the blue and white Magen David hoisted into the Israeli sky. It's hard to sing while you're all choked up. I'll do better next time-maybe.

<https://jewishmag.com/178mag/>

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led by
Rabbi Zilbershtein
& Rabbi Caine**

**Refreshments
will be served**

Purim 2026

In 2026, Purim begins at sundown on Monday, March 2 and ends at sundown on Tuesday, March 3.

BY MY JEWISH LEARNING



In 2026, Purim begins at sundown on Monday, March 2 and ends at sundown on Tuesday, March 3.

What is Purim?

Purim is a joyous holiday that celebrates the deliverance of the Jews of ancient Persia from near-destruction at the hands of Haman, an adviser to King Ahasuerus. The story behind the holiday, told in the Scroll of Esther, recounts how the Jews were saved thanks to Esther, a Jewish woman chosen to be queen. Due to her courage and her role in saving the Jews, the story of Purim is named in her honor.



[https://www.myjewishlearning.com/
article/purim/](https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/purim/)

How Do You Celebrate Purim?

Purim is a raucous and joyful holiday with many traditions aimed at creating a mood of celebration. Traditionally, there are four mitzvot associated with the holiday:

- Reading the Scroll of Esther, which retells the holiday story. The scroll is often read twice in synagogues — once at night when the holiday begins, and again the following morning.
- Giving food gifts known as mishloach manot to friends.
- Giving gifts to the poor
- Eating a festive meal, or seudah.

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Writing in Place: Voices from—and in—Canada

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Hosted by Senator Paula Simons

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Friday, February 27
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PURIM PARTY
Extravaganza

**Tuesday
March 3rd,
2026**

4:30 PM
 **Megillah
Reading**
ROOM 7



5:30 PM
 **Lavish
Dinner**
**BEVERLY HILLS
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Plan to Attend Festival Hatzafon - Sun. March 15

This is one event you don't want to miss...

You can buy tickets at the door of the Westbury Theatre located at 10330 - 84 Avenue.

A wonderful Israeli music/dance event for the whole family. Come and enjoy!



CONTEST:

What is the meaning of "Hatzafon?"

First person to "reply" correctly will win four tickets to the festival!

Reply to:
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A large poster for the Festival Hatzafon. The word 'ONE' is written in large, white, glowing letters on the left. To the right, the Hebrew word 'אחד' (Echad) is written in a stylized, black font. Below the Hebrew word, the text 'MARCH 15, 2026 WESTBURY THEATRE 4:00 PM' is displayed. At the bottom, the text 'festival HATZAFON' is written in a light blue font, with a small star icon above the 'H'. Below this, the text 'SPONSORED BY' is followed by a grid of logos for the sponsors: NCJWC Edmonton, KBS DEVELOPMENTS, EDMONTON Jewish Community Charitable Foundation, EDMONTON TALMUD TORAH SOCIETY, a stylized logo, and Jewish Federation OF EDMONTON.

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The 2026 funding will open in the new year.

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- Financial challenges
- New careers
- Further education within Alberta
- Financing a life-cycle event
- Starting a family
- Assistance with the purchase of a car or computer for work or school
- Dental or medical expenses
- Family emergencies
- Or for individuals who require a financial boost, or are simply having difficulty making ends meet.

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Former Edmonton Resident Margaret Frohlich passes

Chevra Kadisha of Edmonton

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Blessed is the true Judge

With sadness we announce the passing of

Margaret Frohlich



Funeral February 26 at 4:30 PM
Edmonton South Side Cemetery 7622-101 Avenue

Barbara Horowitz passes in Victoria

Barbara Horowitz died peacefully on February 11, 2026, in Victoria, British Columbia, at the age of 94.

Born in Montreal to Samuel and Grace (Midvidy) Rosen, Barbara graduated from McGill University in 1952 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. She met Myer in 1956 when they both participated in a school board production, and they married a few months later. Barbara continued to teach until her daughters were born, after which she chose to stay home to raise them.

She was a constant and much loved presence in their lives.

In 1969, the family moved to Edmonton and quickly met a group of newcomers who became like an extended family, creating life-long bonds that remain to this day. Barbara was a devoted partner to Myer in all his endeavours, hosting many gatherings while he was Dean of Education and attending numerous convocations, university and alumni events while he served as president of the University.

After Myer's retirement, they relocated to Victoria where they spent many happy years.

Barbara was active in the community throughout her life and enjoyed the arts, music, and many crafts, including knitting and quilting, which she continued up until her death. She was also an avid reader, a member of the Jane Austen Society and continued to challenge herself by taking a continuing education class each session.

Barbara was predeceased by her husband, Myer, her parents, and her brother, Allen. She is survived by her daughters, Carol and Deborah, her sister, Greta, her sisters-in-law, Shirley, Lillian, and Jean, and numerous nieces and nephews and their children. She will be greatly missed by all those who knew her, including her kind neighbours and quilting group friends.

According to her wishes, a small graveside service was held at the Jewish Cemetery in Victoria

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