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If the online social media world were to be a Jewish city, I'd describe each platform as a different point of gathering.

Jewish Creators Print is here to bring these Jewish communities together, connecting those that exist online, between platforms, and offline – by curating the most *relevant, inspirational, thought-provoking* ideas from different voices and individuals on these platforms, putting them into a beautiful print that you all can read on a Shabbos afternoon. *Offline, in person, human to human.*

Now, indulge the analogy:

For starters, **LinkedIn** would be the Shul, Beit Knesset, of the city. Its formality, friendliness, and level of religious observance is poignant and tangible in the posts and comments made there. Its content, kosher in presentation and respectful with its commentary, is quite similar to what happens at a kiddush on Shabbos afternoon. People make an effort to greet you, share ideas, and clearly support one another with communal devotion. Simchas Torah at the LinkedIn shul would have the highest bidders on all Kibbudim, not only because of its business clientele, but also because of its shared values for helping others succeed.

Instagram, on the other hand, would be the shopping center of this city. Every Jewish business you can imagine is there. Similar to how people go to restaurants as a place to meet friends and talk about important social and personal issues, many Jewish Instagram businesses and influencers are a space where you will find discussions and conversations about important ideas and relevant issues in the Jewish community. This shopping center would also be home to the offices of many important Jewish organizations, less conservative in nature, and diverse in its Jewish reach, from provocative irreligious ideas, to polarizing, highly strung commenters. Certainly a place to make new friends, and a fun shopping experience, exploding with dramatic virility.

Facebook and its ancient systems of organized and communal focused social tools, such as groups, would be the town hall, political, and educational center of this Jewish city. Not quite the religious space like LinkedIn, but more secular in nature, poised as a centralist, informative, authoritative, knowledgeable community full of well meaning individuals, who joined social media in the "Facebook era." Its communal function is more parental, productive, informative, and sometimes very personal.

Twitter, at last, would be a Jewish comedy club, joined by a group of individuals that stays current with politics and worldly journalism. Home to the more international, global, and macro Jewish ideas, perhaps slightly disconnected from the individualistic community. Unorthodox in nature and edgy with its creative Judaic knock off handles, a spectrum of self-loving Jews find solace with tweet-worthy jokes around the religious and cultural systems of Judaism.

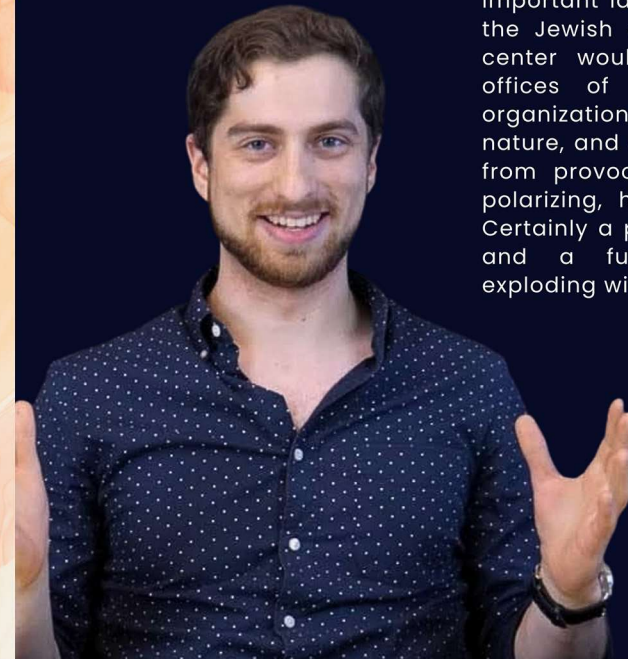
Tiktok is next ... And I'm not quite sure if there is a Jewish community out there, other than Miami Boys Choir 'souvenirists'. I guess we'll have to see what's in store for us there.

I hope you enjoy this collection in our first edition and can't wait to bring you our next collection of trending, viral, Jewish content from the online community. Remember: This "online community" is your community; it's your neighbors and friends, who post, share, and comment on these topics. Learn what's out there and join the conversation. Consider this magazine a conversation starter, at which I'm sure it will succeed.

Looking forward to hearing your feedback, on whatever platform you choose.

Enjoy!

Yitzchok Smilowitz
Baltimore, MD 3/21/2023



This section is a collection of posts by creators who share a thoughtful idea or a story of inspiration.





A few weeks back, I was going on a camping trip with my sister, and on the way there, we saw a Dollar General. It was pouring rain outside, but we decided to go in anyway to get some things we needed. At the store I started talking to Diana, and she opened up to me about some of the difficulties she was facing.

When Diana asked to give me a hug, I lost it!

I knew that I couldn't just leave the store without helping her, so I told her that she has my support and that I was going to ask around and see who can help.

Fast forward to this week; I spoke with Diana, and she was overwhelmed with joy when I shared with her that there were people who wanted to help her out and give her a job!

I am blown away by Diana's courage!



I experienced how effortless it is to form a profound connection with a stranger and the impact it can have on their life.

Diana is no longer a stranger to me. Instead, I admire her bravery in overcoming difficult challenges and transforming her life. That's why I include "giving hope to people" in my bio. It's something that is essential for our generation. My wish is for all of you - who are striving towards a better life - to achieve success in the best possible way.

Malya Feivelson

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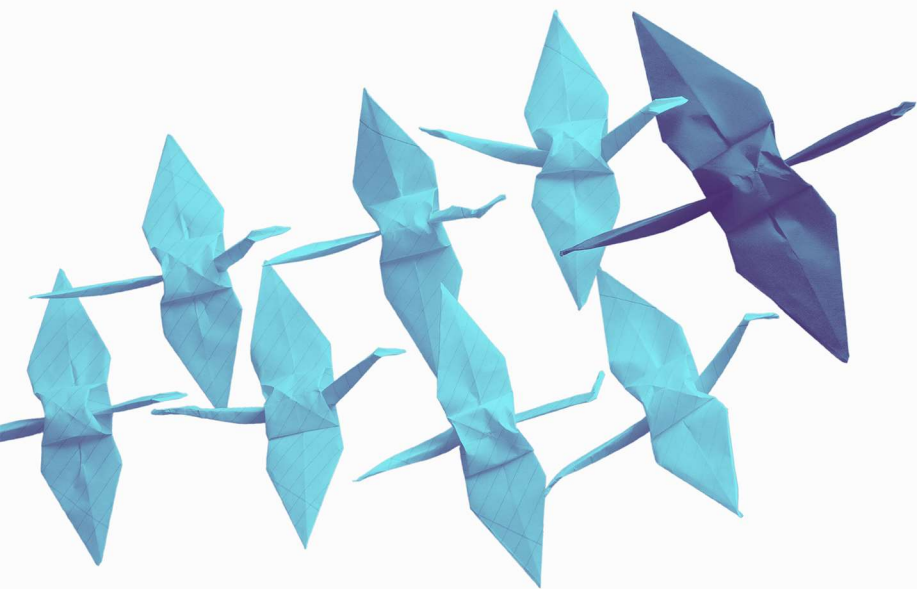
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"Giving hope,
one hug at a time."



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just exist*



Who we
appoint as
leaders
molds who
we become.

We each have personal leaders in life, whether they are role models, mentors, coaches, or professors. What often goes unnoticed is that we have a say in who fills these roles for us. While some may come into our lives by chance, **it's up to us to decide if they will hold the power to influence us.** It's crucial to select the right people to lead us.

For example, if you play poker and model your play after a particular player, it doesn't mean their lifestyle must influence yours. It's not always all or nothing. However, when it comes to our life choices, way of thinking, and philosophy, **we must remain mindful of who guides us, because they have the power to shape us.**



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Many times I see that there are communities out there that, unfortunately, do not want each other to be successful. They tear each other down.

In Yiddish, there is a word called **FARGIN**, which means that you are happy for another person's success. In order for a person to be successful, you need a **community** of people around you that are cheering for you, that are encouraging you, that are financing you, and that are giving you business and are trying to see you succeed.

So, in order to grow, in order to become great, you need to have a community around you, and the **JEWISH COMMUNITY** does this great!

It's very common in our community to see that when somebody starts a new business, people will give him/her business in order to get them started - even if their pricing isn't the best and even if their quality isn't the best, because we want the community to succeed. You need to get around great people that want to see you win!

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Berel Solomon
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"Come into the water; it's warm here."

When I was younger, I was known as the 'prince of the night club business.' Today, when I see my dad, Jeff Solomon, we put on teffilin...

In my early twenties, I produced a reality show about the the night club industry. I was working with celebrities, the most notable was Drake.

At the premiere night of my show, I saw myself on the big screen and I wanted to burry myself alive.

I stood for drugs, sex, and rock and roll. And the worst part was, I was encouraging others to follow in my path.

I knew that I needed another way to live. I searched high and low for truth and meaning.

What I was looking for was right in front of me all along. I was born a Jew. I dug deeper into my roots. I found the G-d of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. He was waiting for me to come home.

My life became sweet, stable, and moral.

Today I'm married to a beautiful wife, and I have 5 beautiful children, thank you G-d.

We need more spirituality in this world, not less.

It is said that in the time of the Moshiach (Messiah), "the children will bring their parents' hearts back to G-d". I guess that's what's happening in this picture right in front of our eyes.

Thanks, Dad, for always being a good sport.

Everyone else, come into the water; it's warm here.

Berel Solomon
FEB 16, 2023



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Positive Self-Talk Can Help You Achieve Success



Eli speaks to his reflection

"This is how I got to where I am."

"Eli, I love you; you are beautiful. Eli, you are amazing. You are capable of big things."

"You are capable of achieving your dreams. You are lovable."

"You are perfect even if you are not perfect."

You are perfect and you deserve to be loved. You are successful. You are rich."

Eli Weber

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Eli Weber is an entrepreneur, speaker, and founder of Weber Media. His passion for people and content started at a young age, when he published a weekly newsletter on personal development for his local yeshivas. He then began gaining recognition managing fan pages online for prominent artists such as Michael Schnitzler and Lipa Schmeltzer, making way for the creation of Weber Media in 2015.

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"Taking oneself into account is important too."



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When another person is disappointed with our actions, this should not lead us to conclude that what we did was wrong.

I want to share this message, as time & again I meet people who will evaluate the righteousness of their actions and themselves solely on the perspectives & thoughts of other people.

Yes, feedback is important and taking others into account is very important.

Taking oneself into account is important too.

**Yosef Flohr, LMSW,
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I never imagined I'd be giving a speech to a group of Kenyans

FEB 17, 2023

I came to Kenya to be inspired and motivated by these incredibly hard working, strong, elite runners who seem super human.

I certainly never pictured myself standing up and sharing my story with them or that I would have anything to share. But when Coach Jon Ewoi asked me if I could, I agreed, and I'm so honored and humbled to have had the opportunity.

Seven years ago, I was a completely out of shape Mom who never exercised. I signed up for a marathon, because I was desperate to change that.

Never in my wildest dreams did I imagine that one day I'd be training for the Olympics.

And I NEVER could have imagined that one day I'd be standing in Iten, Kenya, sharing my story.

If there's anything running has taught me, it's that we have more POTENTIAL than we realize. So often we underestimate our strength and what we are capable of. We get caught in the 'here and now' of our lives, stuck in our current limitations and lose sight of the endless possibilities we can create.

Even after clocking an impressive 3 hours and 27 minutes on my first marathon, I remember wondering if I'd EVER be able to achieve less than 3 hours in a marathon.

Even after winning the Jerusalem marathon, I still found myself laughing at my friend when she told me I should try and qualify for the Olympic 2:45 standard at the time. I thought she was nuts and never imagined it possible.

Less than a year later, I ran a 2:42.

Even after running 2:42, I still could not conceive I would cut off yet another 10 minutes the following year.

When the Olympic committee announced the new standard of 2:29:30, even my incredibly supportive husband said, "I don't know if you'll ever achieve sub 2:30 in your lifetime," and I agreed. It seemed way out of my league, and I could have given up right then.

But I didn't. I finally understood what "Dream Big" meant, and I chose to Dream Huge and fully commit myself to pursuing that crazy dream.

I haven't yet run 2:29, but I haven't yet given up, either. Because sometimes the BIGGEST goals and dreams may take longer than we ever imagined.

My dream to represent Israel in the Paris 2024 Olympics is still very much alive, and, God willing, I believe I'll be there .



"I felt very tired all the time. I was out of shape and I said, 'you know what, I'm going to run a marathon.'"

"7 years ago I started running and never in my life believed that I could do it."

"Now, in less than 3 weeks, I'm training to run in Tokyo."

"We only get to our deepest potential by doing the things that are scary, hard and uncomfortable for us. Every time you put yourself up for a challenge, you learn something new."

"The greatest growth happens when we step out of our comfort zone."

"Dream Big. Don't just dream big. Dream huge. Believe in yourself."

"There is nothing that stands in the way of your willpower."



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Our children need to feel safe

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"As parents, our children need to feel safe with us. Really safe! Safety doesn't just mean physically safe; but also emotionally. They should feel safe from being insulted, rejected, put down or humiliated around us.

"I once heard someone say, 'When my child grows up and gets in trouble, I don't want her to say, 'Oh no, my dad's gonna kill me!' I want her to say, 'Oh no, I better call my dad.'"

"The most powerful tool we have as parents is to provide a safe, loving, and dependable emotional space for our children" - a place that they can always come home to - even when they mess up... especially when they mess up."



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Being honest in dating

FEB 23, 2023

If we say that it's a given that we hide certain things in order for Shidduchim to happen, aren't we going into marriages with a lie? Isn't that what we're saying, that in order for two human beings to come together, we have to lie to each other?

You're touching on something that's very sensitive and very genuine, and I'll tell you something...

To be very honest, what I'm seeing today - and I'm not saying this in a scientific way, I'm saying this from anecdotal data from hundreds and hundreds of people - is that most divorces that are happening today are not because the husband and the wife are not compatible. That's very rare.

Most divorces are happening because one or both of them are living in active trauma, and they're either unaware of it or they're not ready to identify it. Which means that everything we're hiding is going to emerge in the midst of the relationship in a very powerful way.

So, I say to my students constantly (they know I'm half joking but I'm half not joking), "See, this is what I think the first date should look like: Get into the car, hold the door open and she comes in, sit down, smile and say, "Hi, this is my trauma, now let me hear about your trauma."

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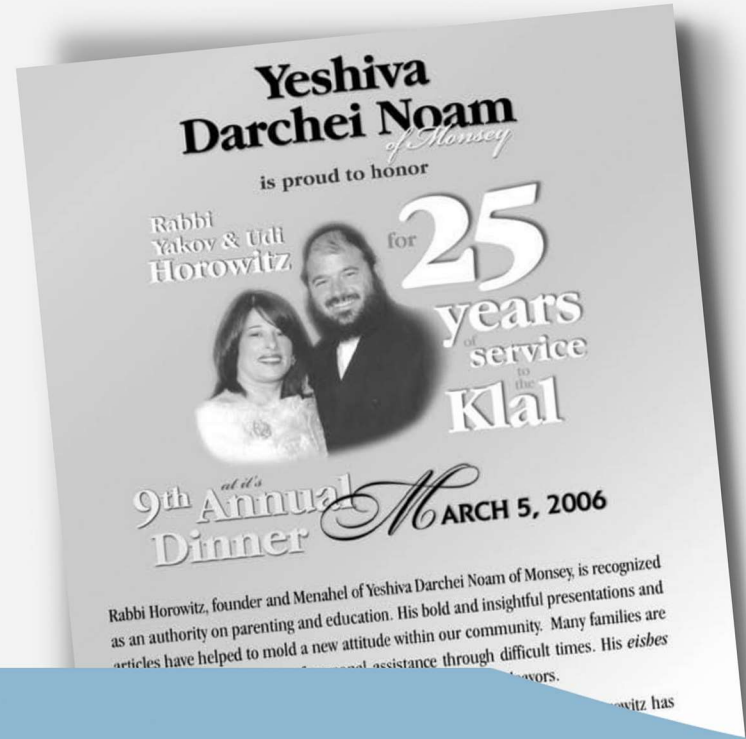
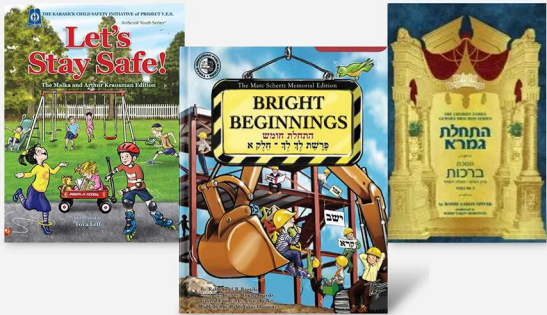
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R' Yakov Horowitz's unwavering stance on including women's faces in our public domains:
A personal account



“ In 2006, as a founder and dean of Yeshiva Darchei Noam, my wife, Udi, and I were requested by the board of directors to be the guests of honor at the annual dinner.

After discussing it with Udi, we agreed, but I insisted it be on condition that all invitations and advertisements featured pictures of us together and referred to us as “Rabbi Yakov & Udi Horowitz” not “Rabbi Yakov & Mrs. Horowitz.”

I absolutely stuck to this. Even when the board came to me during the campaign and asked if a separate version without her photo could be issued to accommodate papers that wouldn't allow her photo, I categorically refused.

My wife, Udi, is my closest friend, my confidant. She was my partner not only in the Yeshiva, but truly in everything I do. She is one of the wisest mentors I've ever had in my life, and it was simply inconceivable for me to have it any other way.”



Rabbi Yakov Horowitz is an innovative educator, author, and child safety advocate. In partnership with ArtScroll, he published “Let's Stay Safe,” the groundbreaking child safety book that is currently in over 135,000 homes in three languages, as well as the Bright Beginnings Gemarah and Chumash workbooks that are in over 100 schools.

Rabbi Horowitz conducts child abuse prevention and parenting workshops in Jewish communities around the world and received the prestigious 2008 Covenant Award in recognition of his contribution to Jewish education.

Eighteen months ago, Rabbi Horowitz launched his daily Under-a-Minute Parenting Clips on Instagram @brightbeginningsforum and at @yakovhorowitz - designed to help yet another generation of Jewish parents raise their children.



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Rabbi Stulberger talks about accepting individuals in our community with regard to homosexuality

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Zack: "What are some of the contemporary issues that you have encountered?"

R' Stulberger: "One contemporary issue I've dealt with is same-sex attraction (SSA), which is something that I've spoken about and actually written about regarding these challenges in the orthodox community. Particularly, I've advocated that the abhorrence toward the act of homosexuality prevalent in the Torah community needs to be separated from our feelings toward the individuals who struggle with SSA. Just because a young man or woman has SSA, it should not evoke from us anything but sympathy, love, and understanding. Regardless of why they feel this way, we must understand that this is not something they simply choose to feel. The fact remains that they are dealing with this issue, and they have to be received with respect and support. This is something that I think we need a lot of work on in the Torah community."

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Digital Judaism Event Recap

FEB 19, 2023

The digital Judaism event was one for the books. Four Orthodox content creators speaking candidly about the pros and cons of social media was not only refreshing, it was absolutely necessary. Questions directed to @avitalrachel and me included what it's like to be a woman on social media, the negativity and ugliness that comes out from our fellow Jews on the internet, and addressing the serious problem of pornography in our community.

In regard to the last question of the event, which was addressed to both @dbashideas and me, I truly believe that we as a community need to incorporate women into every day Jewish life. Women need to be seen, not only as a validation that women are essential to our continuity, but rather it is essential for our boys and young men to desexualize our daughters and young women in order to have a healthy humanistic view of women.



At first, I thought the "frum women have faces" movement was a bit much. Now, speaking to both men and women about the problems we face in our community, it is imperative that we make a change and do it fast.

Thank you Rabbi @yisraelmotzen for having me and @dbashideas, @yaakovlanger, @avitalrachel at your incredible, game-changing shul in Baltimore! Here's to being seen - literally!



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