



MEN'S GROUP

MAY 2019

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS 10:30—11:30 A.M.

FREE/JCC MEMBERS;

Non-member \$5.00 PER SESSION

FACILITATOR: LINCOLN RICHMAN

The JCC Men's Group is designed for men who are looking for a meaningful daytime social activity for relaxation, learning and friendly interaction with men of a similar age.

Wednesday, May 1, 2019: **“Cold War Memories!”** In honor of May Day, we will discuss your memories of the Cold War between the United States and the Soviet Union. Did you “duck and cover” under your desk at school during civil defense drills? Did you build a fallout shelter in your backyard? Do you remember when “under God” was added to the Pledge of Allegiance? What are your first memories of hearing about nuclear weapons? Julius and Ethel Rosenberg? Senator Joe McCarthy? Did you fear a Communist takeover of America? Was America safer during the Cold War, or safer now that the Soviet Union has been dismantled?

Wednesday, May 8, 2019: **“Israel and the Diaspora.”** In honor of Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israeli Independence Day) we will discuss Israel and its relationship with the Jewish diaspora population outside of Israel. What should the relationship be between Israelis and Jews around the world – and in America, in particular? What can those two populations learn from each other? How are those two groups the same? Where do those two groups differ? What can be done to bridge the gap?

Wednesday, May 15, 2019: **“Street Games.”** Stickball. Stoop ball. Ringolevio. These were just some of the street games that urban kids played in 20th Century New York City and other cities around America. What street games do you remember playing in your youth? What were the rules? How were the games organized? Did playing the games ever lead to trouble? Tell us all your street game stories!

Wednesday, May 22, 2019: **“The Great Society.”** 55 years ago on May 22, 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson launched what he called “The Great Society.” What was “The Great Society?” What were the goals? Were these initiatives well planned? Were they well executed? Were Johnson's goals achieved? Were Johnson's ideas ahead of their time, or of their time? 55 years later, we will discuss LBJ and his “Great Society.”

Wednesday, May 29, 2019: No Men's Group Today.



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