

Stanley Hochhauser of Wantagh, past president of the Bellmore Jewish Center, selected for the 20th consecutive year to start the "Celebrate Israel Day" parade by sounding of the Shofar. Additionally he sounds it continuously throughout the parade.

C.O. Steffi's Fotos at Celebrate Israel Day Parade

On Sunday, June 4th the 2017 Celebrate Israel Day parade was held on 5th Ave., Manhattan.

DOC Commissioner Ponte, a DOC Ceremonial Unit and a DOC Maccabees Society contingent attended. Maccabees Society member and photographer Stephanie Ruimy made these images available to the Correction History website.

The parade organizers trace its origin to 1965 when thousands walked down Riverside Drive in support of the young State of Israel.

That impromptu walk evolved into the Salute to Israel Parade on Fifth Avenue. In 2011 the name was changed to Celebrate Israel.



On parade: C.O. Stephanie Ruimy and behind her in the line of march, C.O. Hal Scholnick, wearing sunglasses,



Commissioner and Maccabees: left to right, Yonah Jungreis, Ronnie Krugman, Stephanie Ruimy (RNDC), Ceremonial Unit: Arms Bearer, Flag Bearer, Arms Bearer, Captains Williams (Belleview Hospital Ward) and Michael Picard (HQ), Mitch Schwadron, and Commissioner Joseph Ponte. (Photo Taken by Jonathan Picard.)

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