

1. * Pleased be here--syngg establish record--instant fame--yr efforts undr lp:
 * R. Marc Schneier--know since childhood--gave סמיכה--Builder/Creative
 * Toby--SCW--proud announc: Toby=GH 1997 SCW annl dinnr--y wlcwm

 *convrgnce W-Hamptn/YU: you: yng/successfl insprg Js reattach roots Jsm
 YU: 110 yrs-6500 st/6 campuss/16 schools (AE/CSL/RTS/SSSB/YC/SCW)
 distingd fac/alum;LRGST ENROLLMT HSTRY;
 bt MISSION= J CNTY. (mantra; prefer J DSTNY) What consist of??

2. 3 componnts: על ג' דברים העולם עומד-ת' עב' וגמ"ח.

3. תורה. =unq'ss Jsm. ת"ל. רע אהוב...ל (of whom ??)--
 * Zohar: Torah=princess: reveal/conceal; flirt'n--bec רע אהוב--of Torah!
 * never too late: R. Akiva. Begin anywhere, but learn!
 * רע אהוב--rephrase: No J CNTY w-o J ED--all levels

4. עבודה. Not just intell exres. Prayer--shul...bt more: SP'Y! Som'g happ'g
 USA--smug slf-assurance sec'm startg crumble...doubtg doubts...
 *thirst f sp'r/transcndt...often misplacd: astrology/gurus/orientl rel/Chty
 *but we hv it all in Jsm, bt on highr purer level: pry=medittn, depth כונה
 * This synagg: Do y realiz...? sense seriousness, genuine srch, vitality...
 * so: recent Israeli elections
 * this=2nd found'n J CNTY

5. גמ"ח. > charity. J love/grace/compassn/co-respy/solidarity.
 * These=>J unity--gut feelg identfctn other Js
 * This love/solidrty=3rd foundn J CNTY--& w it: warnng vs extrmsm

 * ST פנחס...השיב את חמתי מעל בני" בקנאו את קנאתי --praised: פנחס-זמרי-קנאות
 בתוכם...לכן אמור הנני נותן לו את בריתי שלום...תחת אשר קנא לאלקיו
 * Lesson: sometms--rare occasns--zeal/extrmsm/precipit actn nessry
 * but NOT as policy/progrm. Viglntsm/violnc NOT Torah way.
 * תחת, instead of קנאות-ברית שלום.
 * EX J soldrty--YU KIDS/FAC GULF WAR....."mothr will kill me..."

6. These 3 elmnts J CNTY (J ED/J SPY/J SOLDRTY) = insprtn YU
 * J ED (תורה)...at same time as librl Arts/sci--not cut off...High Scholp
 * J SPY (עבודה)--outreach--Rabbs/tchrs/scholars all over globe
 * J SOLDY (גמ"ח)--principles+love, dissent+frndp--thus: MODERAT'N
 --this balancg act is גמילות חס': weaned/mature love,=3rd elmnt J CNTY
 *This=charctrzs YU/W Hamptn Syngg; togtthr--school/shul, univy/syngg,
 along w all postv elmnts J commy--usher in new age J CNTY/Crtvty/Inspn

7. W these 3 elements, J life=DSTY/not FATE; summon all of us...to future that=richer, purer, & fuller, one that lifts us out of the mundane and rote and rut of exclusvly material existence, that prods us on to scale heights of which we were but dimly aware, w strength of a depth which we barely suspected.

It is this commit't to J CNTY which will assure our creatv survval f us & ch & gr-ch after us--f as long as man walks on the face of this aging planet.

In the immortal words of the prophet Samuel,

כי לא יטש ה' את עמו בעבור שמו הגדול כי הואיל ה' לעשות אתכם לו לעם
(שמואל א-יב)

"For the Lord will never abandon His people, even if only for the sake of His own great Name, for He has willed to make us His people"--
now and forever more.