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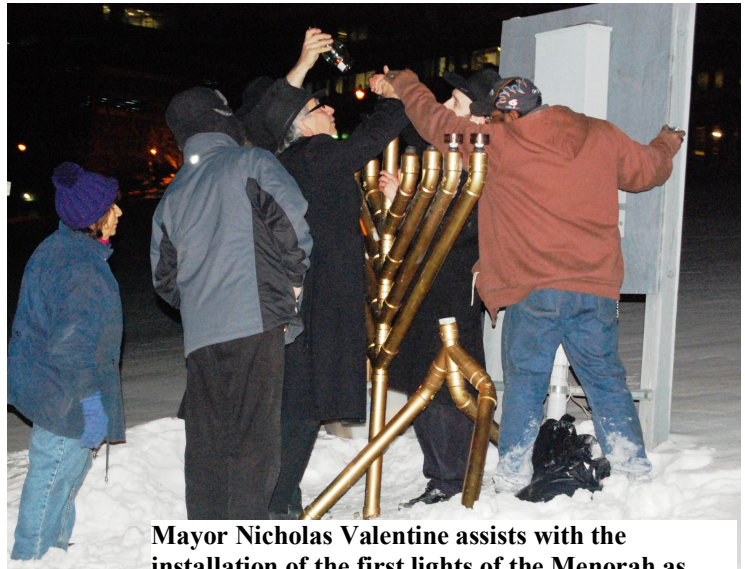
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Menorah Lighting Dec. 22 on Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd

A special Menorah Lighting Ceremony was held Monday, Dec. 22 on Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd (Marine Drive), near Second Street, in the City of Newburgh. Mayor and Mrs. Nicholas Valentine, and Deputy Mayor Regina Angelo were among those attending the ceremony.

The Menorah was designed by Rabbi Yacov Borenstein, regional director of Chabad Lubavitch of Mid Hudson Valley, who has placed many Menorahs in many public places, shopping malls and supermarkets throughout the entire Mid Hudson Valley region.



Mayor Nicholas Valentine assists with the installation of the first lights of the Menorah as Deputy Mayor Regina Angelo looks on



(l-r) Deputy Mayor Regina Angelo, Martin Kolt, Rabbi Yacov Borenstein, Rabbi Shmuel Serebryanski, and Arthur Wilburn with the newly lit Menorah

"The message of Chanukah is one of religious freedom for all, one of the principles upon which this country was founded, and the obligation of each and every one of us to bring light by illuminating the world through acts of goodness and kindness," said Rabbi Borenstein about the universal message of the Menorah.