



Coming in April

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APRIL 28
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ISRAEL BONDS of PARAMUS



CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO OUR ANNUAL SPRING EVENT

Honoring Cantor Sam & Raisy Weiss

Sunday, May 5, 2013; 5:00 P.M.

at the Jewish Community Center of Paramus
Please watch your mail for your invitation.

For information, please call Elana & Eugene 201-449-0562.



SAVE THE DATE!

Join us at our annual Ad Journal Dinner Dance
as the JCCP honors two very special couples

Beth and Robert Chananie
Nina and Gary Glaser

in recognition of their years of dedication to our congregation.

Sunday, June 9, 2013... 5 p.m.

From the Rabbi



Rabbi Arthur D. Weiner

This month, I want to talk about our Israel Bonds campaign. In this Bulletin you will find information about our spring Israel Bonds event honoring Raisy and Cantor Sam Weiss. Israel Bonds is a vital activity at the JCCP. Our High Holidays appeal and spring event demonstrate our commitment to Israel's future by raising hundreds of thousands of dollars. We are proud to be among the leaders in Israel Bonds in Northern New Jersey.

Although a well-established feature of our synagogue's Israel programming (after all, our relationship with the Israel Bonds Development Corp. is more than 40 years old), I am convinced that a significant portion of our congregation is really not familiar with what Israel Bonds is, what it does and how the money raised is actually spent on the ground in Israel. To make sure our synagogue's commitment to Israel Bonds remains strong and constant in the future, in this month's column I will try to answer these questions.

What is Israel Bonds?

In 1951, the Development Corporation for Israel was founded as a way to encourage *investment* – not donations, but investment in Israel's future. In 62 years, \$34 billion has been invested by people like you and me, as well as leading corporations and investment firms, and foreign governments. (Did you know that New York and New Jersey have invested billions in state pension funds in Israel Bonds?) The investments have gone to help the State

of Israel build infrastructure, reclaim the desert, improve transportation, develop its world-class high-tech industry and resettle immigrants.

Israel Bonds provides the government of Israel with the resources not only to strengthen Israel's economy but encourage a real global partnership between Israel and its investors. The purchase of Israel Bonds is a vote of confidence in Israel's future.

Another aspect of Israel Bonds sales that is not always understood by the general public is the strong message it sends our elected officials and policymakers in Washington. When the Jewish community, leading corporations, state and local governments, and investment firms buy these bonds, it demonstrates that support for Israel and confidence in its future is not only a hallmark of the Jewish community, but also is matched throughout America.

I recently received an email from the Development Corporation for Israel celebrating an outstanding year for Israel Bonds sales in 2012. But we must not let past successes prevent us from understanding the importance of Israel Bonds and considering our responsibility.

As many of you know, I do not give investment advice. (I don't give medical advice either, but that's another story). What I can tell you, however, or perhaps make clear to those who do not have much experience or history with Israel Bonds, is they are neither donations in the conventional sense or charity. They are a real investment, like any other bond.

While I don't give investment advice, I can tell you that I have purchased Israel Bonds as part of my pension and my family's financial plan. They are backed by the full faith and credit of the government of the State of Israel, which has never missed an interest payment or failed to meet its obligation to investors. They are a wonderful investment opportunity on many different levels. I want every member of our congregation and community to understand their importance to both Israel's future and our own.

I hope this month's column helps

the members of our synagogue to better understand Israel Bonds, and why each year our synagogue reaches out to the community for its support of this great effort. I want to thank our Israel Bonds co-chairs Elana and Eugene Heitlinger for their efforts and past chair Dan Leib for his many years of leadership in this area of our synagogue programming.

Finally, for those who may have further questions about Israel Bonds, the various options and opportunities for bonds purchases, or any questions, please contact me or the synagogue office. We will be glad to get you the information.

On behalf of the Israel Development Corp., I thank you in advance for your support.

Thank You!

My sincerest thanks to all the members of the congregation who extended condolences, attended long-distance minyans and made donations in my mother's memory.

You were all so comforting during a very difficult time and for that I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Larry Rosman

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Services

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Friday, April 5 8:30 p.m.
 Young Jewish Families Service 7:30 p.m.
 ONEG HOSTS: JCCP

SABBATH SERVICES

Saturday, April 6 9:00 a.m.
 TORAH READING: Shemini
 KIDDUSH HOSTS: JCCP
 JUNIOR CONGREGATION: 10:00 a.m.
 MINCHA & MA'ARIV: 7:05 p.m.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Friday, April 12 8:30 p.m.
 ONEG HOST: JCCP

SABBATH SERVICES

Saturday, April 13 9:00 a.m.
 TORAH READING: Tazria-Metzora
 KIDDUSH HOST: JCCP
 JUNIOR CONGREGATION: 10:00 a.m.
 CLUB SHABBAT: 10:30 a.m.
 MINCHA & MA'ARIV: 7:15 p.m.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Friday, April 19 8:30 p.m.
 MONTHLY SHABBAT DINNER 6:45 p.m.
 ONEG HOST: Mindy & Eric Nudelman in honor of
 Zachary's Bar Mitzvah

SABBATH SERVICES

Saturday, April 20 9:00 p.m.
 TORAH READING: Acharei Mot-Kedoshim
 EGALITARIAN SERVICE IN SANCTUARY
 TRADITIONAL SERVICE IN BODEEN CHAPEL
 KIDDUSH HOST: Mindy & Eric Nudelman in honor of
 Zachary's Bar Mitzvah
 JUNIOR CONGREGATION: 10:00 a.m.
 MINCHA & MA'ARIV: 7:20 p.m.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Friday, April 26 8:30 p.m.
 ONEG HOSTS: JCCP

SABBATH SERVICES

Saturday, April 27 9:00 a.m.
 TORAH READING: Emor
 KIDDUSH HOST: JCCP
 JUNIOR CONGREGATION: 10:00 a.m.
 MINCHA & MA'ARIV: 7:30 p.m.

~ Purim Raffle - 2013 ~

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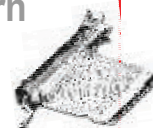
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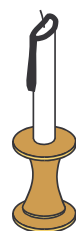
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Mazel Tov!!



Thank you to everyone
 who supported the
 Purim Raffle

Light the Sabbath Candles



Friday, April 5 7:05 P.M.
 Friday, April 12 7:13 P.M.
 Friday, April 19 7:20 P.M.
 Friday, April 26 7:27 P.M.

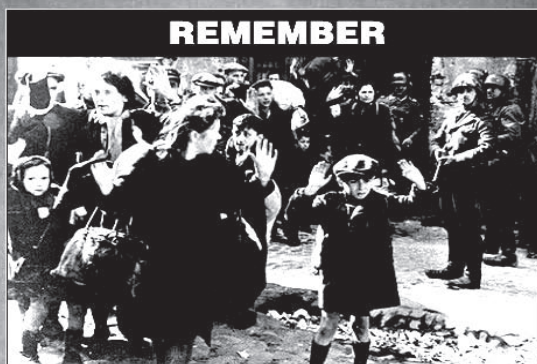
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**YIZKOR – Remembrance Service
for the 6,000,000 JEWISH MARTYRS**

Sunday, April 7, 2013/27 Nisan 5772

Jewish Community Center of Paramus

East 304 Midland Avenue, Paramus, New Jersey

Photo Exhibit 3:00pm ~ Program 3:30pm

Keynote Speaker: The Honorable Stuart Rabner
Chief Justice, New Jersey Supreme Court

For information call your synagogue or Dr. Wallace Greene at 201-873-3263

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President's Message



Harlan L. Cohen

JCCP Demographic and Geographic Profile

In Parsha Ki Tissa, G-d instructed Moses to conduct a census of the Israelite people. A half-shekel tax on everyone older than age 20 soon followed. With different motives in mind, I recently asked Joe Herrmann, our executive director, to use our membership management software to prepare two profiles of our congregation: a breakdown of our geographic distribution by zip codes and a breakdown by age distribution. I shared the results with our Board of Trustees at our February meeting. Now I would like to share them with the rest of the congregation as well, since they are instructive on who we are as a congregation, and highlight some of the challenges we are facing now and for the future.

The breakdown by zip code disclosed that as of Feb. 7, a majority of our families or "member units" (albeit a bare majority at 50.1%) are residents of Paramus: Of our current 423 families, 212 are from the borough. No other town or combination of towns even comes close. Next is Oradell, which is home to 46 families, equal to nearly 11% of our membership. The bronze medal goes to River Edge, which is home to 30 families who constitute a bit more than 7% of our member-

ship. Behind River Edge is Fair Lawn with 15 families, constituting 3.5% of our membership, followed by Hackensack and Washington Township with 11 families apiece, each constituting 2.6% of our membership.

After that we are down to single digits for families. The good news is that we draw members from nearly 50 towns spread throughout Bergen County, and we even have a strong Florida contingent (focused on Boynton Beach). The Bergen County towns range from Wyckoff to Ridgewood, Hillsdale, Woodcliff Lake, Tenafly, Teaneck, Bergenfield, New Milford, Fort Lee and beyond.

We have some historical data from 2004 as a point of comparison. That year, we had 524 member units. Back then, a bit more than 60% of our membership, equal to 316 families, came from Paramus. Oradell has held steady in second place over the years, and its percentage has remained stable: 11.3% in 2004 (59 families) and 10.9% today (46 families). River Edge's percentages have not changed much either over the years: 6.7% in 2004 (35 families) and about 7% today (30 families).

The age distribution numbers are instructive, too. According to our records, we currently have 698 adult individuals who are members of the JCCP. Just a shade under 50% of our individual members are between ages 50 and 69. We have 169 members between 50 and 59, constituting 24.2% of our total population, and 174 between 60 and 69, making up 24.9% of our total adult population. The next largest category of members is those 70 to 79, with 112 members constituting 16% of our adult population. Our fourth largest category is members 80 to 89, with 99 members equal to 14.2% of our membership. We also have 16 members who are

between 90 and 94, and they constitute 2.3% of our membership. Adding all the percentages together, 81.6% of our membership is between 50 and 94.

The bulk of our adult members who are under 50 fall between the ages of 40 and 49. That group is 13% of our membership and is made up of 91 members. Our "thirty-somethings" are just 5% of our population (35 individual members) and we have just two individual members, equal to less than 0.5% of our population, who are in their 20s.

A few obvious conclusions can be drawn from these telling statistics. First, six decades after our founding in Paramus, we truly remain the Jewish Community Center of Paramus, with more than 50% of membership still coming from Paramus. However, the drop-off in Paramus membership in terms of both absolute numbers and percentages from 2004 to now is apparent, and the downward trend will only accelerate with the impending New Milford merger. Nonetheless, Paramus remains our core constituency, with strong assistance from neighboring Oradell and River Edge, and soon New Milford. While we continue to draw from a diverse geographic range of Bergen County communities, we must re-double our membership outreach efforts to these towns to help offset population shifts out of our Paramus core area.

While our impending merger with New Milford is going to bring many new members from different parts of Bergen County (not just New Milford) who undoubtedly will help invigorate all aspects of life at the JCCP, our demographic profile will not get any younger. Thus, we must direct our collective efforts, funds, thoughts and ideas toward actively recruiting new members who are in their 20s and 30s in order to help lower

our demographic profile in the coming years. This is critical for our long-term health.

Along these lines, we have a Dues Optional program that has grown slowly but steadily over the past few years. We now have 16 younger families who are part of our community as a result of the initiative. We are on Facebook, and we just kicked off our "JCCP Spotlight Series" on YouTube. I recently formed a new committee, chaired by our immediate past president, Russell Rothman, to review our Dues Optional program, as well as our entire dues structure. The committee will be making recommendations in the coming months that we hope will make it easier to recruit more young families to join our community. We are also starting initial internal discussions about hiring a marketing and programming specialist who can help us to implement innovative marketing and programming ideas designed to attract young members.

Our Membership Committee is working hard on new initiatives to help bring in young families. The youngest member of our Membership Committee, Debra Menter, has taken the initiative to start an organization called Bergen Tribe that has been very successful in attracting young Jewish professionals in Bergen County to social events, some of which have been hosted at the JCCP. We hope that over time, this will become a new source of young members who elect to join our community.

In the meantime, I urge our nearly 700 individual members to lend their help to our recruiting efforts by always acting as goodwill ambassadors for the JCCP. If you know of any potential individuals or families looking to join a synagogue, please let us know so we can reach out to them and introduce them to our special community.



Early Childhood Center



Judith S. Fox

For many years in Bergen County, our local Jewish Federation (currently JFNNJ, formerly known as UJA) has sponsored an annual conference for local Jewish early childhood educators. This yearly event provided teachers with high-quality professional development opportunities, as well as the chance to experience some in-group camaraderie and acquire some needed, state-mandated continuing education credit.

This year, Federation found it necessary to put the conference on hiatus. With some initial administrative support and a small financial stipend from Federation, a group of 12 local early childhood directors decided to take the proactive step of implementing a conference on our own. It's my honor to say I was one of those directors, and we executed a wonderful professional day for our teaching staffs.

Our first Jewish Early Childhood Cooperative Conference, with its theme "Communicating in Today's Changing World," took place on March 3. More than 200 teachers heard a keynote on "Technology and the Developing Brain" before participating in breakout workshops. The workshop sessions, most of which related to the theme of communication, included such titles as "Balancing Screen Time with Green Time," "A Teacher's Toolbox for Communi-

cating with Young Children," "Communicating with Families in an Electronic World" and "Jewish Jam in the Classroom." Early reports from our faculty, as well as teachers from other schools with whom I have spoken, have indicated that most of the workshops were worthwhile and of first-rate quality.

The day was more than just the sum of its parts, however. For teachers, the new ideas they gleaned were invigorating, thought provoking and motivating. For the directors who worked very hard to make this happen, our collaboration was inspiring on many levels.

First, the professional camaraderie was tremendous: We had a common problem and a common goal, and we pulled it off! We outlined what needed to be done, we delegated tasks to each other and we did them. Discussions about the types of workshops, the fees we would charge per teacher in order to meet our costs, identifying a venue and sharing many working lunches all contributed to the rewarding (and fun) experience of working together with a group of like-minded professionals. My particular "jobs" included being on the workshop selection committee, and writing and editing the workshop descriptions and presenter bios based on inputs from the workshop leaders. We achieved what we set out to do with class and flair.

Jewish tradition is full of women who saw a need and were proactive about meeting it. Esther, Miriam, the Egyptian midwives, Deborah and Yael are a few who come to mind. As a Jewish woman and a member of this consortium of Jewish early childhood directors, I'm proud to have been part of continuing this tradition.

Young Jewish Families

SHABBAT FAMILY SERVICE AND PROGRAM

Friday, April 5 and May 3 at 7:30 p.m.

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Please join us for our family friendly Friday Night Family Service and Program. Light service, interactive story time, followed by playtime and DAIRY nosh in the gym. Friday night Shabbat service geared towards children, and then the children play and the parents schmooze.

SPONSOR AN ONEG

Once a month, usually the first Friday of each month, we hold our **Friday Night Family Program**. This event is a light family friendly Friday night service followed by an oneg and play time in the gym. If you would like to sponsor an oneg, please contact us: \$20 for a birthday cake; \$18 for other snacks.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Young Jewish Families is the club for Families with a child or children under Bar or Bat Mitzvah age, their siblings, parents and extended families. However, everyone is welcome to attend our activities and events.

For more information, please visit us at jccparamus.org, or contact us at yjf18@hotmail.com.

Thank you.

Eugene and Elana Heitlinger

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Mon. 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

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Wed. 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

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Friday Night Dinner

Jewish Community Center of Paramus
E. 304 Midland Avenue – Paramus NJ

April 19th at 6:45 p.m.

Enjoy a delicious catered dinner in our social hall,
unwind and schmooze with your friends and family
before services at 8:30 p.m.

\$18 per adult
\$8 per child age 6-13
Kids 5 and under are free
Maximum charge of \$50 per family
(Immediate family members only)

RSVP by Tuesday, April 16th
Email us: office@jccparamus.org or call 201-262-7691

*Please let us know if you would like to reserve a table
with your family and friends*

Hebrew School



Marcia Kagedan

Shalom,

Spring has finally arrived with the holiday of Passover! The children prepared so well for this festival and I hope that all families have a joyous and meaningful Pesach.

In the weeks leading up to Passover there was a flurry of activity, and of snow! Our seventh-grade students presented their research projects to their families and to the younger students, and they all did an outstanding job. Thank you to Stu Lehrer for all the encouragement he gave to the students.

Our third-grade students received their first siddurim. Rabbi Reshevsky and Morah Hadassah prepared them to perform a wonderful short play about their Hebrew names and about Passover. They will cherish that milestone day always, along with their new siddurim.

The sixth grade attended the third Kehillah program, which was all about TZEDAKA — why we give it, how we give it and to whom should we give it.

The last School on Shabbat was well attended. We had a few parents attend a synagogue skills workshop while the kids were occupied. Thank you to Eileen Schneider for creating and facilitating this program.

And finally, the Torah Coupon Store continues to do business!

COMING UP IN APRIL:

• Sunday, April 7:

Candle Club 9:45-11:15 a.m.; we will celebrate Israel's birthday.

Holocaust Memorial Program starting at 3 p.m. for the Bergen County community here at the JCCP.

• Tuesday, April 9:

Post-hey program with Mrs. A. and 7th-grade program with Moshe, both at 7:15 p.m.

• Sunday, April 14:

Maccabeats concert, 2 p.m. — get your tickets soon! The Maccabeats are world renowned and will be at the JCCP. Don't miss it!

6th grade at Kehillah program, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

• Tuesday April 16:

Hebrew School welcomes a delegation of teens from Nahariya, Israel, and will celebrate Yom Ha'atzmaut with them.

• Sunday, April 28:

Lag B'Omer BBQ and Sports at Van Saun Park, 10 a.m. — 1 p.m.

Shalom U'lehitra'ot.

Men's Club

April! A time for flowers, baseball and the filing of income tax returns. The Men's Club wants to encourage everyone to take advantage of the activities at the JCCP.

Why not attend services on Shabbat? Why not sit in on a class? Why not come to card night?

Many people here work very hard to provide you with the religious and social activities you want. Please show them that you appreciate their efforts.

Until next time,
Jerry Menter and Joe Esrig
Co-Presidents

In Appreciation

Dear Rabbi Weiner and Shira, Cantor Weiss and Raisy and the entire JCCP congregation:

My deepest appreciation for your prayers, inquiries and your generous and meaningful contributions to our synagogue during my surgery and convalescence.

The realization of having so many well-wishers and good friends has lifted my spirit, increased my strength and contributed to a speedier recovery.

To all of you, may God's blessings be your reward.

*With gratitude and love,
Selma Mitchel*

2012-2013
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CLUB SHABBAT

an engaging, interactive Shabbat morning experience
for children ages 2-6

with a parent, grandparent or caregiver

facilitated by our Early Childhood Director, Judy Fox

prayers ~ songs ~ Torah experience ~ games ~ playtime
challah, juice and refreshments

please join us on

Saturday, April 13

Saturday, May 11

Saturday, June 8

10:30~11:30 a.m.

and join us afterward for our weekly congregational
Kiddush luncheon

for information ~ 201-967-1334 ~ eccdirector@jccparamus.org

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"Candlelight" - more than 8M hits!

"Purim Song" - nearly 2M hits!



Yom Ha'atzmaut ~ Israel Independence Day Concert

Presented by the JCCP and the Jewish Federation of Northern New Jersey

featuring

The Maccabeats

Sunday, April 14, 2013 at 2 PM

(Doors open at 1:30 p.m.)

at the Jewish Community Center of Paramus

€ 304 Midland Avenue, Paramus ~ 201-262-7691

General Admission

Adults: \$20 in advance ... \$25 at the door.

Children 18 and under: \$17 in advance ... \$20 at the door.

Premium ticket options:

Corporate Sponsors: \$300 for 10 front row seats

Patron: \$50 per ticket. Front row seats

Preferred Seats: \$30 Immediately behind Corporate and Patrons.

In addition to premium seating, Corporate Sponsors and Patrons are invited to the Maccabeats' hospitality room for refreshments before the concert.

To reserve your tickets please call the JCCP office at 201-262-7691

Youth Groups

We are excited for the strong start to 2013 and excited about the Youth events now through June. For the first time, we had an event for adults (or bigger youth) on March 8 — “Beehive, the ‘60s Musical” followed by dessert at our house. A fun evening was had by all! And now a word from our advisors:

Wayne and Debbie Zeiler

Wayne.zeiler@gmail.com / Dibble.one@gmail.com

“You can only be young once. But you can always be immature.”

– Dave Barry

Kadima/Chaverim

The fun times continue for our youth groups. In the past two months we’ve enjoyed a variety of activities. The kids participated in a Board Game Night, a theater improvisation event (thank you to Adam Si-etz), a bowling outing, sports night and two Purim events — the annual Purim Carnival and Purim Day festivities.

The spring will continue the good times. Some activities will be a parent-child gym night, JCCP Idol Talent Show, Lag b’Omer sports

and barbecue at Van Saun Park, sports at Mele Park, and an arts and crafts afternoon.

As usual, flyers with all the information will follow. They will be posted on the Youth bulletin board and in the Hebrew school office.

Happy Passover!

Fred

USY

We have had an exciting start to 2013 with the JCCP’s USY group. We had a great time at our circus event and the Purim Carnival. Recently we had a USY Shabbat dinner followed by a Youth-led service.

We have many more exciting events coming up such as a Chocolate Seder, a Maccabeats concert and cosmic bowling, for which we are super excited!

Keep your eyes open for details of our upcoming events; we hope to see you there. To inquire about any upcoming events, please email paramususy@gmail.com

Matt and Alexa

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Sunday, May 5, 2013

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Community Affairs

Every Day is Mitzvah Day

Our Fran Leib Memorial Spring Food Drive took place on Wednesday, March 20. Many thanks to those who donated turkeys, bags of fixings for a holiday meal and grocery store gift cards. Thanks also to the Board of Trustees, which donated funds from the tzedaka box collections at several Board meetings. The donations were used to buy turkeys and food for this event. The final turkey and donations count will be in the May Bulletin.

Our members participated in the Bergen County Walk-In Dinner Program on Sunday, March 10. We provided and served a chicken dinner for more than 100 people. The Walk-In Dinner Program is a joint project of the Bergen County Community Action Partnership and the Interreligious Fellowship for the Homeless. Thank you to our volunteers who served the meal: Roz Gerard, Steven Gerard, Esther Kantrowitz, Ann Leib, Laura Menter, Jane Menegus, Mark Menegus, Barbara Merker and Debbie Zeiler. Thanks also to those who made donations to help defray the cost of providing the meal. Special thanks to Roz's son Steven Gerard, who covered the cost of everything but the chickens, as he does every year.

The JCCP has a well-deserved reputation for feeding the hungry. Please remember to bring an item or a bag of non-perishable food to the Center when you come for minyan or meetings. The food bank depends on us to replenish its shelves. Among the items needed are canned meat and tuna, hearty soups, coffee, canned veggies, hot and cold cereal, Parmalat and baby formula.

The JCCP took part in a food drive for JFNNJ Good Deeds Day on March 10. Marcia Kagedan, JCCP's education director, coordinated the effort.

Thank you to all who donated bags of food for this community service day, which focused on collecting and packaging food for the local food pantries.

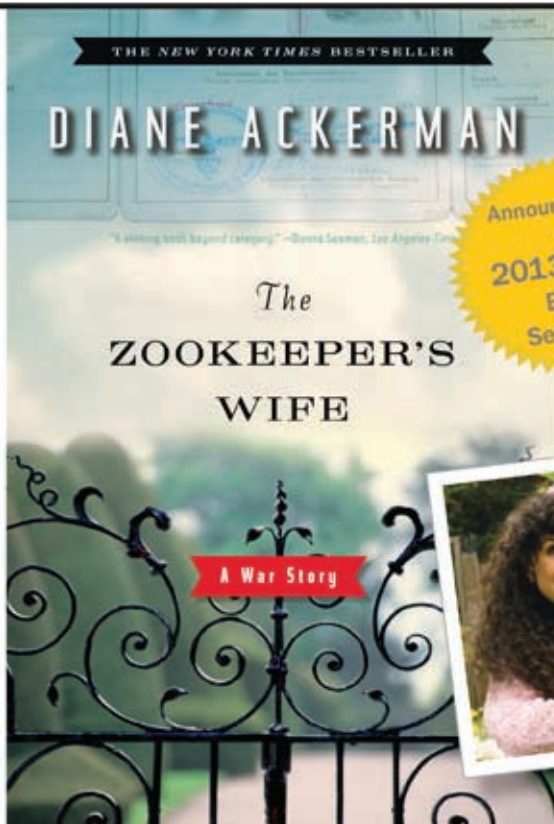
Remember that the blood bank is in need of donations all year long. Contact Community Blood Services, 970 Linwood Ave W., Paramus, at 201-444-3900 for information on how to donate.

Maintaining our daily morning and evening minyans is part of an important commitment to our members and the community. Please make attending either morning or evening minyan part of your regular schedule. Evening minyan is at 8 p.m. Sunday through Thursday; morning minyan is at 9 a.m. Sunday; 6:45 a.m. Monday and Thursday; and 7 a.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Your help is needed NOW, more than ever.

If you are looking for volunteer opportunities in our Northern New Jersey community, the Volunteer Opportunities link on the Jewish Federation of NNJ site – JFNNJ.org – has a list of projects that need your help. For questions, please contact **Alice Blass**, volunteer coordinator, at 201-820-3948 or AliceB@jfnnj.org.

As always, if you love to knit and crochet, we are continuing to hold our knitting bees. Our finished items are sent to the Tikvah Orphanage in Odessa, Russia. Elaine Cohen reports that we have lots of yarn available. We'll even pick up your work! We usually meet on the last Monday of the month, but we encourage you to knit on your own if you don't have time to come to our meetings. For more information, please contact **Elaine Cohen** at 201-447-2485.

Our Chesed Committee has volunteers available if you or someone you know needs temporary help shopping or a ride to services or doctor appointments. Call **Eileen Schneider** at 201-722-1606 or **Nina Glaser** at 201-262-1775.



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with dessert reception to follow

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"He who does not increase his knowledge, decreases it ..." (Pirke Avot, 1:13)

The **JCCP Singers** are meeting with **Cantor Weiss** to learn songs for the community-wide Yom Hashoah commemoration on **Sunday, April 7, at 3:30 p.m.**, as well as in honor of Yom Ha'atzmaut. The rehearsals will be on **Thursdays, April 4 and 11, at 8:15 p.m.** No experience is necessary, so please try it out — you might really enjoy it.

For those wishing to learn the reading and/or chanting of the **Birkat Hamazon** (Grace After Meals) prayers, **Cantor Weiss** has prepared Mp3 song files keyed to transliterated Hebrew PDF sheets of the entire Birkat Hamazon. The files can be heard or downloaded from our Listen and Learn page. The link to access this material is on the bottom right margin of every page on our website at www.jccparamus.org.

The **Jewish Theological Seminary Mini-Context Program** is scheduled to meet at the JCCP for three sessions: **Mondays, April 8, 15 and 22**. The subject will be **"The Idea of the Return to Zion in Jewish History."** JTS professors will teach the sessions. The cost is \$60; the sessions will be canceled unless we have enough registrants to cover the portion of the cost not subsidized by the JCCP and JTS. Registration was due to close March 28, but check with the JCCP office about whether late registrations are being accepted. For further information, contact the Institute for Jewish Learning of The Jewish Theological Seminary at (212) 870-5850 or context@jtsa.edu.

Coming this spring:

THIS IS JEOPARDY! The latest Adult Ed class will have students play the popular TV game show responding to everything and anything on Judaism. Alex Trebek can't make it, but Stu W Lehrer will host instead to what will be a great fun and learning experience. All are welcome to attend this free course, and there will be plenty of dark chocolate. **Monday evenings, April 29, May 6, 13 and 20, and June 3, at 8:30 p.m.**

Rabbi Weiner will continue his **"Engaging Israel: Foundations for a New Relationship"** later in the Spring; dates to be announced.

A trip to the **Rare Book Room** at the **Jewish Theological Seminary of America** in Manhattan also is being planned for later this spring. Stay tuned for more details.

Join us for these regular events:

- **Drosh and Nosh – Wednesdays, 7:30-8 p.m.** An opportunity to study the week's Torah portion with fellow congregants, taught by a different person each week.
- **Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow – Mondays, 1:30 p.m.** Everyone is welcome to join these lively and popular weekly discussions led by **Al Nahum**.

For more information, call **Mark Topel**, committee chair, at (201) 967-9179, or email, marktopel@verizon.net. We welcome your input.

Sisterhood

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LYAR 5773

"Chodesh Ziv" has arrived! Iyar has been referred to as the "Month of Splendor."

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How special is it to see the flowers bloom?
How special it to commemorate the significant days
in the history of Israel?
To raise your voice and proudly
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Here's hoping all of these get your heart beating ...
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JCCP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

February 21, 2013

Harlan Cohen read a letter from the Center for Food Action thanking us for all our efforts and donations. Tonight's pushke will go toward buying ShopRite gift cards for the CFA.

Rabbi Weiner reported that his winter adult education class "A History of Zionism: The Jewish National Movement" began on January 30. This is the 17th straight year of studying Jewish history in our winter session. Rabbi participated in a special AIPAC briefing January 24 on the Israeli elections. Rabbi visited the ECC on several occasions in the past month, affixing a new mezuzah to the wall and teaching about Purim.

Joe Herrmann reported that we received a commitment letter from the bank regarding our line of credit. We need to set up a congregational meeting since we require a two-thirds vote for any mortgages against our properties. Tentative date is March 14 at 7 p.m.

New Milford is hosting a community Seder on the second night of Passover, March 26.

Shabbat Across America is on March 1. New Milford members have accepted our invitation to join us for this event and for Egalitarian services on Shabbat.

Fred Harris thanked all those who purchased tickets for our Purim Raffle. This year we decided to sell 250 tickets and we still have 22 tickets to sell.

Harlan Cohen announced that his article in the Bulletin details the status of the merger. In late January, we held a Q&A session for our members. Since then, the president of New Milford (Howie Cohn) has resigned. We have not yet received formal comments on the contract, so our target date for closing (April 30) will have to be pushed back 30-60 days. The contract on the sale of the building should be finalized next week.

The Maccabeats will be performing at the JCCP on April 14 and we will start selling tickets shortly. We are looking for corporate sponsors. Federation is working with us to make it a community-wide event.

Under good and welfare:

Jack Bauer congratulated Howie and Julie Leopold on a successful Bingo night.

Ads for the Dinner Dance Ad Journal have started coming in and ad blanks are available online. The Purim Carnival was successful once again. Nina and Gary Glaser purchased the Moonwalk, which we rented every year, and donated it to the synagogue. We thank Nina and Gary for their generosity. Thank you to Fred Harris for his help in making the games look great.

On April 7, we will be hosting the Yom Hashoah Holocaust Memorial Event.



On March 10, we are hosting the Jewish Film Festival viewing of "The Flat."

Farrah Rosenberg, daughter of Richard and the late Susan Rosenberg, was married last weekend.

Janet Topel lost her mother this week and is sitting shiva in River Edge.

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	1 21 NISAN  Passover - Day 7  First Day Yom Tov Ends: 8:11 Passover Service 9am PASSOVER LUNCHEON Mincha 7pm ECC-Office-PRA Closed No Men's B-Ball	2 22 NISAN  Passover - Day 8  Yom Tov Ends: 8:12 Passover Service 9am - YIZKOR SERVICES Mincha 7pm Passover Ends 8:12pm ECC-Office-HS-PRA Closed	3 23 NISAN Drosh and Nosh 7:30pm	4 24 NISAN Executive Board Mtg. 8:15pm	5 25 NISAN  7:05 Shabbat Services 8:30pm Young Jewish Families Service 7:30pm	6 26 NISAN  Shemini  Shabbat Ends: 8:16 Shabbat Service 9am Mincha 7:05pm
7 27 NISAN Bagel n Schmooze 9:30am Candle Club 9:45am JFNNJ-JCCP YOM HASHOAH REMEMBRANCE SERVICE 3:30PM	8 28 NISAN Men's B-Ball 8:15pm Yesterday, Today 1:30pm Sisterhood Bd. Mtg. 7:15pm M/C Game Night 8:15pm Board of Ed. Mtg 8:15pm JTS Context Class 8:15pm <i>Hadassah</i>	9 29 NISAN Youth Committee 8:15pm	10 30 NISAN  Rosh Chodesh Iyar - Day 1 Drosh and Nosh 7:30pm	11 1 IYAR  Rosh Chodesh Iyar - Day 2 Adult Education Mtg. 8:15pm	12 2 IYAR  7:13 Shabbat Services 8:30pm	13 3 IYAR  Tazria - Metzora  Shabbat Ends: 8:24 Shabbat Service 9am Club Shabbat 10:30pm Mincha 7:15pm
14 4 IYAR Hebrew School Yom Ha Atzma'ut and Yom Ha Zikaron Program MACCABEATS CONCERT 2PM	15 5 IYAR  Yom HaAtzma'ut Men's B-Ball 8:15pm Yesterday, Today 1:30pm Hadassah Workshop 10:30am JTS Context Class 8:15pm ECC Parent Conference	16 6 IYAR Men's Club Board Meeting 8:15pm ECC Parent Conference	17 7 IYAR Drosh and Nosh 7:30pm Yiddush Club 2pm	18 8 IYAR ONE BOOK ONE COMMUNITY 7PM	19 9 IYAR  7:20 Shabbat Services 8:30pm MONTHLY SHABBAT DINNER 6:45PM	20 10 IYAR  Acharei Mot - Kedoshim  Shabbat Ends: 8:31 Shabbat Service 9am Dual (Egal.) Shabbat Service 9am Bar Mitzvah - Zachary Nudelman Mincha 7:20pm
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