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ANNUAL SPRING EVENT **Honoring**

BUNNY & LEON JAFFE

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 AT 5:15 P.M.





Leon Jaffe was born in Brooklyn and grew up in the Bronx. He graduated from City College of New York in 1948 with a BBA degree in Accounting. He became a certified public accountant in 1951. He was recruited in 1952 by the Tube Light Company, Inc. of Moonachie to be its Controller. He became its president in 1971 and is still the president of the company.

In 1963 the family acquired a home in New Milford and joined the New Milford Jewish Center. Leon served on the Board of Directors of NMJC. He also served the Center as chairman of the Membership committee.

On each Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, he blew the Shofar in NMJC and now blows the Shofar at JCCP/CBT.

Bunny (her real name is Bernice) was given that nickname by her sixth-grade teacher in public school and has kept it all these years. She was born in Brooklyn, moved to the Bronx and for the last 52 years has lived in New Milford. She graduated from Hunter College, majoring in

psychology and education. She taught nursery school and kindergarten. Bunny and Leon are very proud of their three children and seven grandchildren. The grandchildren have been on the Birthright program to Israel, and both Leon and Bunny have been to Israel 10 times. They support many organizations relating to Judaism and Israel, and have been involved with Israel Bonds for many

Bunny was an active member of the New Milford Jewish Center, serving on various committees, chairing the newly formed cookbook, singing in the Temple Choir, and attending Friday night services regularly. She also was chairwoman of one of the very first town-wide garage sales. Bunny was Woman of the Year for B'nai B'rith Women, serving as its President for many years as well as on numerous committees. Two of her favorite services were feeding the homeless for Family Promise and helping Shelter Our Sisters.

And the very best way for you to help Israel is to buy bonds.



The 1977 Beth Tikvah-New Milford Jewish Center State of Israel Bond Committee.

Standing (left to right) William Friedman, Alex Kirshner, Claire Birnbaum, Kurt Abraham, Eli Fishman, Co-Chairman Arnold Friedman, Co-Chairman George Hermann, Julia Hermann, Ben Waldman and Vic Silberfeld. Seated (left to right) Florence Grant, Mildred Isler, Irving Abramowitz, Hilda Schwartz, Leon Jaffe and Morris

Coming In April:

congregation

beth tikvah

APRIL 4

Community Seder

APRIL 12

- · Family Bowling
- Jerusalem Post's Herb Keinon

APRIL 16

 Yom Hashoah Service Featuring Robert Bielsky

APRIL 19

Israel Bonds Dinner



PASSOVER:

Preparations and Service Schedule, plus TRIVIA QUIZ

FLOWERS FOR DOLLARS:

Bring some green to the shul with plant purchases.

The Jewish Community Center of Paramus/Congregation Beth Tikvah, invites the entire congregation and community to join for our annual

YOM HASHOAH HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL SERVICE

Thursday Evening, April 16, 2015 – 8:00 PM

Jewish Community Center of Paramus/Cong. Beth Tikvah

We are honored to announce that our guest for the service will be

Robert Bielsky



A Story of Hope, Courage, Resistance and Heroism

Robert Bielsky is the youngest son of the legendary partisan commander, Tuvia Bielski portrayed by Daniel Craig in the Paramount Vantage film "Defiance". He lectures throughout the world about the exploits of his father and his uncles and their successful mission that saved over 1,200 Jewish lives during the Holocaust.

In the spring of 1942, the Bielski brothers with Tuvia Bielski as their commander and leader, transformed from a handful of refugees into an armed unit, ready to defend themselves. From nothing but a ragtag collection of disheveled, malnourished, and displaced people, they achieved the largest armed rescue of Jews by Jews in World War II.

Robert is the President and founder of Manhattan Commercial Realty Corp. For the past 33 years, MCR has been one of New York City's most active commercial real estate firms. He is active in many Jewish Organizations, a member of the Associates Board of the "Museum of Jewish Heritage" A living memorial to the Holocaust and a Past president of the Holocaust Memorial Committee of Brooklyn.

Please join us for this account of strength, suffering courage, ingenuity, and resistance.

Rabbi Arthur D. Weiner and Cantor Sam Weiss will conduct a memorial service that will feature prayers, readings, and musical selections by the Paramus-Tikvah Singers. There will also be a candle lighting memorial ceremony in which all in attendance that evening will participate.

Come and join with the Jewish People the World over to Commemorate Yom Hashoah. Your participation will help insure that the Holocaust and its innocent victims will not be forgotten.



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From the Rabbi



Rabbi Arthur D. Weiner

Like many observers, I have become concerned about the way we conduct our debates and arguments within the Jewish community. Much has been written about this subject in recent years. The Jewish community faces tremendous challenges. We are concerned about the great issues that affect the United States. We are concerned with Israel's security and reputation. We have different views as to how to secure our Jewish future amid the changing realities and demographics of 21st century America. We approach these issues from our perspective as Jews, as Americans, and as human beings. We bring our political opinions and bias to the issues as well. We are Democrats, Republicans, conservatives and liberals (sometimes embracing several of these labels simultaneously). We bring intelligence, passion, knowledge, concern, and even fear to these debates. We care, so we share our opinions.

But do we bring a healthy respect of others and their views? Are we willing to listen and consider their deeply held beliefs? Are we ready to challenge ourselves with new information and perspectives that others in our community want to share? Or do we believe that there's only one Jewish, or American, or religious way to approach every single challenge?

I have been thinking about this a great deal lately, as for whatever reason, I have presented several sermons in recent weeks that have annoyed the daylights out of many of you. I can't say this was my intention; nor can I say this was not my intention. Actually, given the subject matter, I knew it would engender discussion and debate, which is the point of any good sermon. I wanted to present ideas based on Jewish sources and texts that would foster discussion. I wanted to share my thinking and approach to some very important issues and hear your thoughts in response.

I was not surprised that many disagreed with some of my ideas and views. But I was surprised by some reactions, which can fairly said to have been angry, furious, and partisan. I wasn't just wrong to some — it was more than that — something akin to betrayal.

In the first of these sermons, I shared my views about the Blue Laws in Bergen County. Personally, Hike them very much. As a resident of Paramus and thus the county, I think they improve the quality of life for all of us. That is my opinion, and no one needs to agree with it. But in my sermon I also attempted to relate the idea of the Blue Laws to a larger discussion of Shabbat and the need to ensure that all, Jew and gentile, have an opportunity to rest regularly during the week. Such a value is at the heart of our Judeo-Christian civilization, upon which this country was founded. But that aspect of the sermon fell on deaf years, as those focused solely on whether or not they agreed with my vision of the Blue Laws tuned out the rest. So, that morning, I was a hero to those who agreed with me and a villain (or worse) to those who did not. Having had the privilege of serving as a rabbi for 26 years, I've had all kinds of reactions to all kinds of sermons over the years. Yet I was taken aback by the level of anger directed at me that day.

You would think I would've learned my lesson, but two weeks later I gave a sermon in which I addressed the issue of the recent speech by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu before a joint session of Congress. Without rehashing all the details, I felt then, and continue to feel, that this speech, despite its important message, was a terrible mistake. I attempted to explain how the speech could potentially endanger the bipartisan support for Israel that has characterized U.S.-Israel relations for the past 60 years. Achieving this bipartisan support for Israel is probably the greatest achievement of the American Jewish community of our era. Presidents come and go, as do prime ministers of Israel. But members of Congress tend to stick around, and it was disheartening to see so many of Israel's friends and supporters refusing to attend the prime minister's speech. But others in the congregation saw it differently, and that's great. But what was not particularly great and unworthy of our community was the level of anger, name calling and worse that followed.

I am not the only rabbi or Jewish leader who has experienced this and thought about its implications. The Jewish Council for Public Affairs has even written a resolution on civility within the Jewish community while promoting a plan of action program to improve dialogue and discourse over important issues in our community (http://civility.jewishpublicaffairs. org/2014/01/10/resolution/). Another wonderful new organization, 9Adar (http://9adar.org/), has provided a more religious approach to conflict resolution within our community.

Normally in my April Bulletin message to the congregation, I would dwell on one of the great ideas of the upcoming observance of Passover. One of the great ideas is freedom. Passover represents the liberation of the Jewish people from bondage in Egypt. We remember these events through the various observances, rituals and Mitzvot of the holiday. But a more basic question is what are we going to do with the freedom with which we have

been blessed? Was it freedom to run wild in the desert and re-create the terrible conditions that we experienced in Egypt? Or was this liberation a new one in history? That a people who knew bitterness and slavery would be redeemed for the purpose of creating a new type of society and a new type of relationship with each other based on fairness, justice, and respect. That having been given the gift of freedom, they would understand the profound responsibilities that come with it as well. And that in this new society envisioned in the Torah a basic responsibility of all is to learn to respect the dignity and the views of others

We have come a long way over the last 3,000 years. Yet even today there are serious challenges to our community, to our freedoms, and to the way of life we love so much. There are dangers about, and we must make the best decisions that we possibly can. So turning on each other is simply not an option. Whether we agree or not, we are a family and community joined by history and faith. Let us not exclude anybody, even for a moment, because they hold an opinion different than our own.

Those who may disagree with us should not scare or frighten us. It is those who feel their voices cannot be heard, or will not be heard, that should frighten us. So this year on Passover, as we sit at our Seder table, let us ask ourselves: Are we creating the conditions for a healthy debate over the Jewish future or not?

And if the answer is no, then what are we prepared to do about it?



Light the Sabbath Candles



Friday, April 3	7:03 P.M.
Friday, April 10	
Friday, April 17	
Friday, April 24	

The Men's Club of The Jewish Community Center of Paramus/Congregation BethTikvah invites you to attend a once-in-a-lifetime event

Harry Ettlinger "Monument Man"





Sunday, May 17, 2015 Breakfast: 9:15 AM Presentation: 9:45 AM

Among the goals of the Nazi campaign during World War II was the attempt by Hitler to steal some of the greatest artistic works of Western civilization. In 1943, President Roosevelt authorized the formation of the Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives section, a small group of elite volunteers who were charged with recovering these masterpieces, and in a way preventing Hitler from stealing a people's past despite having denied so many their futures. These individuals came to be known as the Monuments Men.

Last year, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the Monuments Men Recognition Act, which awarded the participants a Congressional Gold Medal. Today, only one member of this extraordinary group is still alive, and the Men's Club of The Jewish Community of Paramus/Congregation Beth Tikvah is proud to present Harry Ettlinger in our synagogue, up close and in person.



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FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

April 37:05 p.m. Erev Passover - NO LATE SERVICE

ONEG HOST: JCCP/CBT

SABBATH SERVICES

April 49:00 a.m. TORAH READING: Passover Day 1 KIDDUSH HOST: JCCP/CBT JUNIOR CONGREGATION 10:00 a.m. MINCHA & MA'ARIV...... 7:05 p.m.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

April 10.....7:15 p.m. NO LATE SERVICE

ONEG HOST: JCCP/CBT

SABBATH SERVICES

April 11.....9:00 a.m.

TORAH READING: Passover - Day 8

KIDDUSH HOST: JCCP/CBT

JUNIOR CONGREGATION 10:00 a.m. MINCHA & MA'ARIV......7:15p.m.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

April 17......8:30 p.m.

ONEG HOST: Rhonda & Daniel Gordon in honor of Aaron's Bar Mitzvah

SABBATH SERVICES

April 18......9:00 a.m.

TORAH READING: Shemini

KIDDUSH HOST: Rhonda & Daniel Gordon in honor of Aaron's Bar Mitzvah

JUNIOR CONGREGATION 10:00 a.m.

MINCHA & MA'ARIV......7:20 p.m.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

April 24......8:30 p.m. SHABBAT DINNER......6:45 p.m.

ONEG HOST: Natalia & Yan Anchipolovsky in honor of Samuel's Bar Mitzvah

SABBATH SERVICES

April 25......9:00 a.m.

TORAH READING: Tazria-Metzora

KIDDUSH HOST: Natalia & Yan Anchipolovsky in honor of Samuel's Bar Mitzvah

JUNIOR CONGREGATION 10:00 a.m. MINCHA & MA'ARIV......7:30 p.m.

From the Executive Director

By the time you read this, our Homeland Security grant upgrades should be nearly completed. The last two items — a more robust closed circuit TV system and a more versatile access control system at all our entrances — will greatly improve our facility's security posture. The \$49,500 grant we received in late 2013 will have been completely exhausted and addressed three major security concerns identified by a prior Threat and Vulnerability Assessment.

The process is long and complicated, as you might imagine any federally funded grant program would be. Every step of the way there are forms, filings, site visits, audits, etc., that must occur before we can qualify for the money or start the actual upgrades.

With the help of the Jewish Federation of Northern New Jersey's Synagogue Leadership Initiative-Kehillah Cooperative Buying Program, which pools the purchasing needs of individual organizations into a large, active and powerful negotiating group, we were able to select from solid vendors and receive some of the most advantageous pricing in the marketplace. Vendors were matched against each other, with the final candidates demonstrating clear pricing discounts to the co-op members.

In short, we were able to get more hardware and coverage for the same or fewer dollars, thereby making our reimbursement grant go further than if we attempted to negotiate everything individually.

With a reimbursement grant, the JCCP/CBT must pay the vendors out of pocket. After the work is completed as contracted, we submit a reimbursement request to the government and, when ap-



Harvey M. Brenner, FSA, FTA

proved, are reimbursed dollar for dollar for whatever we spent. I want to thank the Board of Trustees and the officers of the congregation for having the foresight to approve these pre-payments even though this was a very financially challenging year for the congregation. This investment in the shul's future is an excellent first step in improving the safety of our members, visitors and facilities for many years to come.

Should the government again offer such non-profit grant funding, rest assured that the JCCP/CBT will dutifully apply for it. While this first award addresses several major areas of concern, it does not address all the opportunities for improvement. A second and third round of funding will hopefully do so.

In this season of greening and renewal, with the celebration of Pesach and the freedom of the Israelites released from Pharaoh's bondage, may we achieve peace in our homes, our country, the State of Israel and wherever there is

L'Shana Haba'a b'Yerushalayim!

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HERB KEINON OF *THE JERUSALEM POST* TO SPEAK ON SUNDAY, APRIL 12 AT 7 P.M.



The Jewish Community Center of Paramus/Congregation Beth Tikvah is delighted to once again welcome noted author, correspondent and friend of the JCCP/CBT, Herb Keinon, on Sunday, April 12 at 7 p.m. Keinon will speak on the topic: "Israel's 2015 elections: The country spoke, but what in the world did it say, and what in the world does it mean?"

Keinon has been at *The Jerusalem Post* for over 25 years and has covered the diplomatic beat for the past 15 years. He often accompanies the Prime Minister when he travels abroad and has only recently traveled to Washington where he covered Prime Minister Netanyahu's addresses to both AIPAC and a joint session of Congress on the threat posed by a potential international deal with Iran on the nuclear issue.

Keinon also blogs and writes a popular monthly "light" column on the trials and tribulations of life in Israel, which has formed the basis of his recently published second book, "French Fries in Pita."

Keinon has lectured widely in Israel, the United States, Europe and Australia on the political and diplomatic situation in Israel, and appears on radio and television programs around the world as a guest commentator. Keinon will bring a fresh, insightful and timely perspective on the impact of Israel's recent election on Israel itself, the Middle East and relations with the United States.

The Denver native, Broncos' fan and gourmet cook has lived in Israel for three decades. He is married with four children, and lives just outside of Jerusalem.



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Young Jewish Families

UPCOMING EVENTS

BOWLING

Sunday, April 12. Please see flier in the Bulletin and on the JCCP/ CBT website for details.

FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE AND PROGRAM

Friday, May 1@7:30 p.m. Family service followed by play time and DAIRY oneg in the gym. The children play, the parents schmooze. It's perfect. Come see for yourself!

Please watch your emails, the website and the Bulletin for upcoming events. Please see our calendar on the website for the entire year of events.

Sponsor an Oneg

Once a month, usually on the first Friday, we hold our Friday Night Family Program. This family-friendly service is followed by an oneg and playtime in the gym. If you would like to sponsor an oneg, please contact us: \$18 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. So please bring mothers and fathers, grandparents and great-grandparents, aunts and uncles, nieces and nephews, neighbors – but no pets please!

For more information, please contact us at vif18@hotmail.com or 201-449-0562.

Thank you.

Eugene and Elana

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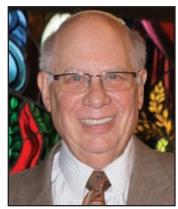
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President's Message



Jacob Bauer

It's hard to believe that Pesach is

Join us for our second night community seder on Saturday, April 4, starting at 8:15 p.m. Those who attended last year had a marvelous time and we expect the same this vear. Contact the office for reserva-

My Congregant of the Month for April is Lana Brach. Lana is a mainstay of our egalitarian service. Whether reading from the Torah or doing the Haftorah, she adds a tremendous amount of love and devotion to our services. Lana -Thank You.

At the February Board of Trustees meeting, the Board passed a motion to have the building's roof replaced. The installation is planned for right after Pesach. With this improvement, we no longer will have to worry about leaks in the gym and hallway.

More upcoming events: On April 12, at 7 p.m., Herb Keinon of The Jerusalem Post will again present his views on the current situation in Israel. As mentioned in last month's article, on May 17 the Men's Club will be sponsoring a breakfast with the last of the Monument Men, Harry Ettlinger. The Monument Men were a group of art experts who searched Europe after D-Day and retrieved art stolen by the Nazis. We will be honored to hear Mr. Ettlinger's story; this is a program that you should not miss.

On June 14, our annual Dinner Dance will be honoring Randy and Paul Auerbach and Nina and Russell Rothman. Please plan to attend this event to salute these two outstanding couples who have meant so much to our congregation.

Finally, the following plaque has been added to the stained glass windows in our social hall:

"Stained Glass Windows Designed by HT Vandenburgt Presented To The Jewish Community Center of Paramus

The New Milford Jewish Center Congregation Beth Tikvah At The

Joining of the Two Synogogues June 1, 2013"

WiFi @ JCCP/CBT

This is a reminder notice that our building is now 100% WiFi accessible.

Whether you're upstairs in the social hall, gym or library, or downstairs in a classroom, you'll be able to connect with the Internet quickly and easily. One password works throughout the building, even though we have nine separate locations with wireless access points.

Please contact the synagogue office for the password.

If you move about the building, you'll be required to sign in at each of the nine access points, but once you've done that, your device should remember the code and grant you immediate access anytime in the future.

We encourage you to turn waiting time into productive time and stay connected to friends, family or your business whenever you're in the building.

PASSOVER SEDER AND SERVICE SCHEDULE

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FIRST TWO DAYS OF PASSOVER FESTIVAL



Thursday Evening

Bedikat Chametz

Search for the Chametz in the Evening



Please make sure that all your Chametz has been sold by this time.

Friday, April 3

FAST OF FIRST BORN SON Services - 6:30 AM.

CHAMETZ MUST BE SOLD AND DISPOSED OF BY 11:53 AM.



Friday Evening FIRST SEDER

Light Candles – 7:03 PM Shabbat Service -7:05 PM. No Late Friday evening service at 8:30 PM

Saturday, April 4

FIRST DAY OF PESACH

Special Tal Prayer Services - 9:00 A M

Mincha Service -7:05 PM

Light Candles Not Before 8:10 PM

Second Seder

Community Seder at 8:15 PM



LAST TWO DAYS OF **PASSOVER FESTIVAL** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, April 5 April 6 April 7 April 8 April 9 April 10 April 11 SECOND DAY OF Services - 6:45 AM Services - 6:45 Services 6:45 SH'VI-EE SHEL PESACH **ACHRON SHEL PESACH PESACH** Services - 6:45 AM AM SEVENTH DAY OF PESACH LAST DAY OF PESACH Chol Ha-moed Chol Ha-moed Services - 9:00 AM Intermediate Days Chol Ha-moed Chol Ha-moed Intermediate Days Services 9:00 A M Services 9:00 A.M Intermediate Days Of Festival Intermediate Days Of Festival Includes Of Festival Of Festival Congregational Luncheon Mincha Service -7:05 YIZKOR MEMORIAL After Services Eve Of **PRAYERS** Evening Service - 8:00 SH'VI-EE SHEL PESACH Evening Service -Evening Service -SEVENTH DAY OF PESACH 8.00 PM Mincha Services PM Eve Of Light Candles- 7:09 PM 8:00 PM 7:15 PM ACHRON SHEL PESACH PESACH ENDS EIGHTH DAY OF PESACH Mincha Services- 7:15 PM 8:25 PM Light Candles- 7:10 PM Shabbat Service - 7:15 PM No Late Friday evening service at 8:30 PM

~ Guide to Pesach Preparation ~

- 1. **DEFINITION OF CHAMETZ** ... In Exodus 12:15 the Bible tells us: Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread: on the very first day you shall remove leaven from your houses ... The Rabbis specified five grains which can become chametz: wheat, barley, spelt, rye and oats. Additionally, Ashkenazic authorities prohibited rice and kitniot (legumes including beans, peas, lentils, corn, maize, millet and mustard). While rice and kitniot are not strictly speaking chametz, they cannot be eaten, but can be "used" as in cornstarch powder or medicines. It is easiest if they, and products containing them, are treated like chametz. Sephardic authorities prohibit only the five specified grains, and thus Sephardic Jews are allowed to eat legumes and rice during Passover. According to Jewish law, matzah may be baked using any one, but only one, of the five acceptable grains. Traditionally it is made from wheat.
- **2. GENERAL LAWS CONCERNING CHAMETZ** ... During Passover it is prohibited to derive any benefit whatsoever from *chametz*. One may not eat *chametz*, or run a business involved in the buying or selling of *chametz*. Even ownership of *chametz* is forbidden. We are also obliged to remove *chametz* from our possession. This is done by a *bitul*, renouncing the possession of all *chametz* in one's household, using the *kol chamira* formula found in the beginning of most *haggadot*. Any *chametz* left over should be burned. Another way of renouncing ownership is by selling the *chametz* in one's possession. (See *mechirat chametz*).
- **A. PREPARATION OF THE HOME FOR PASSOVER** ... Special care must be taken with Passover foods. If a mistake is made while preparing foods during the rest of the year, the law provides several remedies. These remedies do not apply, however, to the laws of *chametz*. The laws of annulment (one part in sixty) do not apply regarding *chametz*. Chemicals permitted during the year might be prohibited on Passover. All utensils, pots, dishes, counters and anything used for the preparation of food must be *kashered*. If it is not possible to *kasher* them, they should be replaced with utensils used exclusively on Passover. All areas of the house should be thoroughly cleaned and examined for *chametz*. A person renting a room from a non-Jew (e.g. a student in a dormitory) is responsible only for the space he or she occupies. Traditionally an additional search (*bedika chametz*) is held the evening before the first day of Passover, using a candle for light and a feather with which to sweep up crumbs.
- **B. SALE OF CHAMETZ** ... It is sometimes impossible to destroy or remove all of the chametz in one's possession, especially when great financial sacrifice is involved (hefsed merubah). Therefore, rabbinic authorities used a legal device embodying a special sale called mechirat chametz which is arranged through a Rabbi. Since the chametz is sold to a non-Jew, it does not belong to a Jew during Passover. All chametz to be sold is isolated from the food and utensils used on Passover. Pets and other animal food should also be sold (although they remain in the house as usual) since most animal food contains chametz. The Rabbi arranges for all materials thus sold, to be sold back immediately after Passover.
- **3. PROHIBITED FOODS ...** Prohibited foods include the following: leavened bread, cakes, biscuits, crackers, cereal, coffees containing cereal derivatives, wheat, barley, oats, spelt, rye and all liquids containing ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol. Most Ashkenazic authorities have added the following foods (*kitniot*) to the above list: rice, corn, millet, legumes, beans and peas. String beans, however, are permitted. The Committee on Jewish Law and Standards of the Rabbinical Assembly has ruled unanimously that peanuts and peanut oil are permissible. Some Ashkenazic authorities permit, while others forbid, the use of legumes in a form

other than their natural state, for example, corn sweeteners, corn oil, soy oil. Sephardic authorities permit the use of all of the above. Consult the rabbi for guidance in the use of these products.

4. PERMITTED FOODS ...

- **A.** The following foods require a *kosher le-Pesach* label if purchased prior to Pesach: Unopened packages or containers of natural coffee without cereal additives (however, be aware that coffees produced by General Foods are not kosher for Passover unless marked KP), sugar, pure tea, salt (non-iodized), pepper, natural spices, frozen fruit juices with no additives, frozen (uncooked) vegetables (for legumes, see previous page), milk, butter, cottage cheese, cream cheese, ripened cheeses such as cheddar (hard), muenster (semi-soft), and Camembert (soft), frozen uncooked fruit with no additives and baking soda.
- **B.** The following foods do not require a *kosher le-Pesach* label if purchased before or during Pesach: Fruits and vegetables eggs, fresh fish and fresh meat. (For legumes, see paragraph 3).
- C. The following foods require a *kosher le-Pesach* label if purchased before or during Pesach: All baked products (*matzah*, cakes, *matzah* flour, farfel, *matzah* meal, and any products containing *matzah*), canned or bottled fruit juices (these juices often contain *kitniot* which are not listed among the ingredients. However, if one knows there are no such agents, then the juice may be purchased prior to Pesach without a kosher le-Pesach label). Wine, vinegar, liquor, oils, dried fruits, candy, chocolate flavored milk, ice cream, yogurt and soda are in this category. Canned tuna, even when packed in water, has often been processed in vegetable broth and/or hydrolyzed protein. If it is known that the tuna is packed exclusively in water, without any additional ingredients or additives, it may be purchased without a kosher le-Pesach label.
- D. The following processed foods (canned, bottled or frozen), require a *kosher le-Pesach* label if purchased during Pesach: Milk, milk products, butter, fruit, juices, vegetables, spices, coffee, tea, and fish, as well as all foods listed in paragraph 4C above.

5. OTHER "NON-FOOD" CONSIDERATIONS ...

- **A. MEDICINES** ... Because the principle of *pikuach nefesh* (the preservation of life) takes precedence over all other laws, all medicines prescribed by a doctor in connection with life-sustaining therapy are permitted on Passover. Be aware that all medications, e.g. aspirin, vitamins and tranquilizers, while not made from *chametz*, may contain *chametz* as a binder. That is why, as a general rule, capsules are preferable to tablets. As in all cases, when a question arises, the Rabbi should be consulted. Generally we are very lenient with regard to medicine.
- **B. COSMETICS** ... Lotions, ointments and creams need no special Passover formulation. Many other cosmetics however, have an alcohol base. Those made from grain alcohol are regarded as *chametz*.
- **C. BABY FOOD** ... Baby food for Passover use is readily available. If Passover baby food cannot be obtained, however, the baby's food should be prepared in a separate part of the house so that this food is not mixed with food for other members of the family.
- **D. PET FOOD** ... Most pet foods contain *chametz*. Both the pet and the pet food should be sold (see *mechirat chametz*) during Passover. This arrangement can be discussed with the Rabbi.
- **6. KASHERING UTENSILS AND APPLIANCES FOR PASSOVER** ... Purging and open flame are the two basic methods of *kashering*,
- **A. PURGING** (*Hag'alah*) ... Most cooking utensils can be made kosher by immersion in boiling water. This includes metal pots, most baking pans, flatware and most other kitchenware. The procedure is as follows:

- 1. The article to be *kashered* is thoroughly scoured (cleaned).
- 2. The article is set aside and not used for 24 hours.
- 3. The article is completely immersed in a pot of actively boiling water.
- 4. The articles are then rinsed immediately under cold water.
- 5. If a pot is too large to fit into another pot, the pot to be kashered is filled to the brim with water, and that water is brought to a boil. While the water is boiling, a hot stone or piece of metal is dropped into the pot in order that the water is kept at its peak heat and also to ensure that the water boils over the side of the pot.
- 6. The pot in which the articles were kashered is itself kashered as per step 5 above.
- **B. OPEN FLAME** (*Libun*) ... Any utensils which come into direct contact with fire, such as a barbecue spit, a barbecue grill, a broiling pan or rack, is kashered by open flame. The procedure is as follows:
 - 1. The article to be *kashered* is thoroughly scoured (cleaned).
 - 2. The article is set aside and not used for 24 hours.
 - 3. The article is then put under an open flame and thoroughly heated until the metal glows red hot or is so hot that a piece of paper is singed when it is touched to the metal.
- **C. SPECIAL CASES** ... Utensils with wooden handles cannot be kashered, because particles of food which could lodge between the handle and the blade cannot be effectively removed by purging. The proper method to *kasher* glassware is to soak it in clear water for 72 hours, changing the water every 24 hours. Fine (glazed) china that has not been used for twelve months can be considered as new. Earthenware and other pottery cannot be *kashered*, since whatever they absorb cannot be purged. Most glazes are porous, and thus cannot be *kashered*. Utensils covered with a non-stick surface such as Teflon can be *kashered* like other utensils. Countertops and tables made of Formica or other laminates should be thoroughly scoured. Those made of wood are scraped with a steel brush. The surface is then left bare for 24 hours, after which the surface is thoroughly rinsed with boiling water poured directly from the pot in which it was boiled.
- **D. APPLIANCES** ... An oven is thoroughly scoured. The burners are then turned on full until the metal glows red hot or a piece of paper is singed when touched to the metal. Remove all plastic knobs from around the oven to prevent melting. If the oven is of the continuous cleaning type (not self-cleaning), the Rabbi should be consulted. The shelves and bins of refrigerators and freezers are removed in order to facilitate cleaning. The shelves, bins and walls are then thoroughly washed. A metal sink is *kashered* as is a large pot; a porcelain sink cannot be *kashered* and should be thoroughly scrubbed with heavy duty aluminum foil. Plastic tubs should be used to wash dishes. The interior of a dishwasher is thoroughly scoured, paying careful attention to the strainer over the drain. The dishwasher is left unused for 24 hours and then run through a wash cycle without soap. Any metal surface of a small appliance that comes in contact with food should be *kashered* by purging. Plastic parts are treated as mentioned above. An electric frying pan which can be immersed, should be purged. Many electrical appliances cannot be immersed and therefore cannot be *kashered*. An electric mixer should have its beaters purged and its bowls either purged (metal) or washed (glass). An electric can opener should have its blade and magnets removed and purged. The rest of the appliance should be cleaned so that no food remains in any crevice.
- **E. MICROWAVE OVENS** ... Microwave ovens present a special case since the inside surface does not become hot. One recommended procedure is to thoroughly clean the inside and then place a dish of water into the oven and allow it to boil for a few minutes. If the oven is a combination microwave and standard oven, consult the Rabbi.

Jewish Community Center of Paramus Congregation Beth Tikvah

~ HOW TO SELL YOUR CHAMETZ ~

Chag Sameach to you all. I wish you a Happy and a Kosher Pesach, and towards that end I offer these suggestions for selling your chametz.

- 1. After you've discarded all your other chametz, put the chametz you wish to keep in a place you can secure, such as a closet, an extra freezer, a cupboard, etc.
- 2. Seal or lock it, not to be opened until after the last day of Pesach. (It's not yours all that time, anyway, since the space is leased out.)
- 3. Sign the form below, empowering Rabbi Weiner as your agent in effecting the sale of your chametz.
 - Mail or bring this form to the JCCP/CBT as soon as possible.
 - All forms must be received before Thursday, April 2, 2015.
 - ♦ On Sunday, March 22nd, or Sunday, March 29th, (after minyan), you may come in person to sell your chametz to Rabbi Weiner.
 - Traditionally, a small donation is enclosed, a part of which is used for the sale of the chametz. The rest will be used for Ma'ot Hittin, helping poor Jews with their Pesach needs.

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Hebrew School News



Marcia Kagedan

March was quite a month! Our annual Purim Carnival and Festival took place between snowstorms, the Sephardi Shabbat and School on Shabbat happened on a sunny yet cold day, it was above freezing for the Abayudaya event and we managed to prepare for Passover

Our 6th-graders participated in the third Kehillah event of the year, at Temple Avodat Shalom. Together with 140 6th-grade Hebrew School students from around Bergen County they had an awesome Israel Experience. Israeli army training, Israeli cooking and Israeli dancing were among the classes offered.

The 3rd, 4th and 5th grades went with the students of the Fair Lawn Jewish Center to the Yeshiva University Museum in New York City, where they explored synagogues from around the world, saw a fascinating Shabbat exhibition and made "mizrach" signs for their homes. Mizrach, meaning east, is the direction in which we pray, toward Jerusalem.

Our 7th-grade students had their class breakfast and project presentation morning. Thank you to Stu Lehrer for preparing them. As always, the children were great!

I thank all the parents who joined their children at the Passover Family Workshop. I believe that all walked away with a new insight into the Passover Seder that they can now share with their guests at their holiday celebrations.

COMING UP IN APRIL:

April 5, 7 and 12:

• No School – Passover

Tuesday, April 14:

School resumes

Thursday, April 16:

• Yom Hashoah Program (Holocaust Memorial Day)

Sunday, April 19:

• 6th- and 7th-grade trip to Ellis Island

Sunday, April 26:

• 3rd-graders receive their siddurim.

AND IN MAY:

Sunday, May 3:

 Annual Lag b'Omer sports and barbecue

Wednesday, May 27:

 7th-grade Hebrew School Graduation

Sunday, May 31:

· Last day of Hebrew School and Israel Day Parade

Wishing you all a Chag Kasher Vesameach!

PARAMUS-TIKVAH SINGERS

The Paramus-Tikvah Singers are meeting with Cantor Weiss to learn songs for our congregation's Yom Hashoah observance on April 16. No experience is necessary, so please try it out. The rehearsals will take place on Sunday, March 29 and April 12, and on Tuesday, March 31, April 7 and 14, at 8:15 p.m. Please talk to Cantor Weiss for more information.

Youth Group News

Our favorite holiday, Passover, is about to begin. Keeping a kosher home, we completely clean out our kitchen and bring out the Pesach dishes. Is it a lot of effort? Yes! But it is almost a seasonal rite of passage, doing the "spring cleaning" and giving the kitchen a fresh look, even if it's only for the length of this festive holiday. Spring is the time for renewal, when the world around us seems to start again. This is a holiday spent with family. A Seder at home and a communal Seder at the JCCP/CBT, some special holiday foods, and poof ... the Pesach is over and things return to normal. But isn't that the way it always is? Something new becomes something comfortable after a while. Maybe there is a lesson in there.

Of course, this also means that we are heading toward the end of the season. Shortly we will be wrapping up another great year for our youth program and begin to plan for next year. It's a good time to hear any feedback that youth parents would like to see for next year -- or maybe get involved more. Our children truly learn by seeing what we do and reflect our actions. Your involvement will help to spark theirs. We were involved, so were our daughters. At Passover time, with the renewal of the seasons and thoughts of a fresh start, isn't this the time for you to participate in your children's (or grandchildren's) youth program next year?

Wayne and Debbie Zeiler, 201-599-1392 Wayne.zeiler@gmail.com / Dibble.one@gmail.com

"I learned this, at least, by my experiment: that if one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavors to live the life which he has imagined, he will meet with a success unexpected in common hours"

~ Henry David Thoreau

And now, a few words from our USY/Kadima adviser

We have had some great events in the past couple of weeks! Tiedying with Kadima, Game Night with USY and a regional Junior-Senior prom. For the Purim Carnival, we ran the Haman Pie in the Face booth and enjoyed watching some of our USY kids, adults, the President and Wayne get smooshed in the face with whipped cream pies! As a Hagalil fundraiser, we ran a Bowl-a-thon and raised a lot of money to be donated to worthy causes. I am proud of the USYers that participated.

We have been having a ton of fun and we still have plenty of events coming up!

Post-Pesach, Kadima will have Roller-Rama as a regional event on April 19 and Spring Weekend May 15-17. USY will have a regional Spring Convention April 24-26 and their final dance of the year on May 9. Together, Kadima and USY will join in for the Salute to Israel parade on May 31. We're looking forward to these amazing events and we hope you join in as well! Please contact me at danielleporwich@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Danielle

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Sunday, April 12, 2015

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at 1:45 PM

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Payment is made at/to the alley.

Please R.S.V.P. to yjf18@hotmail.com by April 9 to tell us know how many adults and how many children (ages 4 and up) will be bowling.



For more information or questions, please contact
Elana and Eugene @
201-449-0562; yjf18@hotmail.com, or www.jccparamus.org.





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CANASTA

Participants continue to learn and enjoy the game.
All levels welcome. Instruction is ongoing.

NEW BEGINNERS CLASS WILL BEGIN ON APRIL 14th for those with NO background.

Wednesdays 11:30-12:30

GENTLE EXERCISE CLASS

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WEEKLY MAHJONG

Participants continue to learn and enjoy the game.
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ALSO ANNOUNCING:

BOOK CLUB on Sunday April 26th @ 10 a.m New York Times Bestseller "The Golem and the Jinni" by Helene Wecker. Discussion facilitated by Carolyn Kaufman.

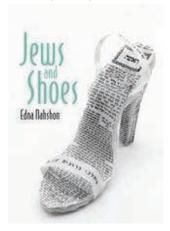
SAVE THE DATE:

Sunday May 3rd at 3 p.m.: Movie afternoon with optional deli supper.

Questions call Mimi Levin @ 201-265-0454 or the synagogue office @ 201-262-7691

Jewish Community Center of Paramus/Congregation Beth Tikvah Sisterhood Presents

Wednesday May 6th @ 8:15 p.m.



Dr. Edna Nahshon, professor of Hebrew and theatre at the Jewish Theological Seminary, will be speaking about the role of shoes in Jewish history. Don't miss this fascinating evening of stories and slides on the historical significance of shoes – from biblical sandals to holocaust feet; from Stuart Weitzman's latest styles to discussions of 'barefooted'ness in Jewish history!

Bring your favorite shoe memories. Better yet ~ wear a favorite pair.

Show them off! Audience participation is encouraged!



Do you remember going shoe shopping with your grandma?

What about your very first pair of high-heels? Where did you go in them?

And do you have stories of buying shoes in foreign lands?

Or of window shopping obsessions?

A stylish dessert reception will follow presentation

FREE for JCCP/CBT sisterhood members. \$10 for others. RSVP by April 30th

Questions? Contact Wendy @ wendysteinberg1@gmail.com Or Lori @ lbc14@aol.com



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Sisterhood News

ON BEING THANKFUL

It is early March as we sit down to write this Bulletin article, a night after we celebrated Purim together. We danced, we ate and we denounced Haman for his evil intentions, celebrating that his plot to destroy us failed and he got his just desert (later we had our dessert, delicious hamantaschen).

In addition, we're sure that plenty of last night's banter centered on Pesach. "Oy, Harold's is all cleared out already!" "How many are you having?" "I'm hosting both seders, oy." "Where am I going to put all these people?" "I need some new recipes." "You know, last year I got sick as a dog from all the matzah." And on it went.

Yes, Pesach brings a fair amount of agita to some (or many) of us. This year, however, we all need to take a deep breath before throwing out the canned goods in our pantry dating back to 2009, as well as last year's unused cake mixes, to be thankful for where we live and for our JCCP/CBT community.

This year, as in many years unfortunately, has been particularly difficult for the Jewish population at large. Although the seeds of renewed anti-Semitism have been growing for some time, the situation reached a new level of gravity with the recent attack in the kosher supermarket in Paris. Every day there are more stories about growing hatred of Jews in France and elsewhere. How is it that Jews in this day and age should fear walking in the street while wearing kippot?

Suffice it to say that we are all so fortunate to be living in a place where those are not our immediate worries. We are blessed with the ability to celebrate holidays with families and our strong JCCP/CBT community. We often take for granted how lucky we are to be in a close, supportive and safe environment, a world in which we don't have to worry about shopping for Pesach in our local supermarkets. The JCCP/CBT Sisterhood is a very strong chain in our synagogue link. It is Sisterhood that bonds our women. We therefore urge all the women in our JCCP/ CBT community to be involved, whether it is by making one phone call to invite another to an event or taking the time to plan an evening at which we can all be together. In the coming year, the JCCP/CBT hopes to grow stronger and thus able to provide even more events, support and lasting friendships. The only way we can make this a reality is through dedicated leadership. There is strength in numbers, but we need strength from the top as well. Please take a few moments to consider what Sisterhood can do for us all and *please* volunteer to lead a committee and/or program, or take on a Sisterhood board position. We all lead very busy lives and thankfully are wrapped up with our families. We urge all of our women to make a little bit of time for such a vital organ of the JCCP/CBT. Please, appreciate what we have!

We promise, the benefits are tremendous!!

This month is a perfect opportunity to learn about the great things Sisterhood does. On May 6, we welcome Dr. Edna Nahshon, a professor of Hebrew and Jewish literature at the Jewish Theological Seminary. Dr. Nahshon will be speaking about "Jews and Shoes," a rather obscure but fascinating topic, to be sure. No spoilers here – please join us at 8:15 p.m. with a favorite shoe story and a favorite shoe. We can all share stories and learn some little-known facts.

The price is right for Sisterhood Members – FREE; \$10 for all others. The evening includes a delicious dessert reception. We look forward to seeing you all there.

In closing, if anyone has anything particularly delicious at their Seder, please get the recipe and send it in for our JCCP/CBT Cookbook!

THE DEADLINE FOR THE **NEXT BULLETIN IS APRIL 7!**

Men's Club

We were delighted to again provide this year's Purim baskets, with an array of colorful and bountiful treats. Our enthusiasm did result in an excess of items, which have been donated to a deserving charity with the same good wishes we offer our congregants.

On May 17, the Men's Club is thrilled to bring an important historical figure to our temple. Harry Ettlinger, the last surviving member of the Monuments Men of World War II, will be with us to speak of his experiences. He and his colleagues were responsible for the saving of priceless artistic works from the hands of the Nazis, and their actions will benefit mankind for generations to come. Breakfast will be served prior to the presentation. There is no cost for this event, which may well be the last opportunity many will have to personally connect with this important period in Judaic and world history. See the flier in this Bulletin and please feel free to invite friends and family to this special event.

Those of us of a certain age remember the recently deceased Leonard Nimoy, a Jewish actor who portrayed an iconic figure in television history. His connection to Judaism was well known and inspired an often used expression and gesture of good will towards his fellow man.



from Beth Chananie

I fondly remember my mother making these rolls/bagels for Pesach and actually looked forward to the holiday to know I would have them. I also loved (and still do) matzah with Breakstone butter and a sprinkling of kosher salt.

Anyway, these rolls are sure to please. I promise, you will make these again and again.

Ingredients:

1 1/2 teaspoons salt 1/2 cup oil 1 1/2 tablespoons sugar 1 cup water

2 cups matzah meal 4 eggs or seven egg whites

Preparation:

Add the salt and sugar to the matzah meal. Set aside. In a small pan, boil the water and oil together. Let cool for a few minutes.

Mix the liquid into the dry ingredients and set aside in a large glass bowl. With a beater, add the eggs one at a time. The mixture will be very sticky. Spray a cookie sheet with non-stick spray. Oil your hands and take a small amount of the batter and shape into a ball. If you want to make bagels, push your thumb in the middle of the ball.

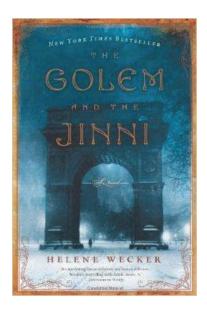
Bake about 45 to 50 minutes, until the tops are golden brown.

Jewish Community Center of Paramus/Congregation Beth Tikvah

BOOK CLUB

Sunday April 26th 2015 @ 10 a.m.

Jewish Federation of Northern New Jersey (JFNNJ), One Book, One Community Book Selection:



Carolyn Kaufman will facilitate the discussion of this fascinating tale that combines elements of Jewish and Arab folk mythology.

The GOLEM (carved out of clay) and the JINNI (a being of fire, trapped for a thousand years in a copper flask) is the story of two supernatural creatures who arrive separately in New York in 1899. Each unknown to the other, the Golem and the Jinni explore the strange and altogether human city.

Light breakfast refreshments will be served.

Save the Date:

Thursday May 14th, 7-9 p.m. JFNNJ One Book One Commnity Event Temple Emeth in Teaneck Author Helene Wecker will be the guest speaker.

Questions - Contact Mimi Levin at 201-265-0454 or grandmamimil@verizon.net





Adult Education

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

The Adult Education Committee is planning our programming for 2015-16. If there is a class or program you would like to see or a trip you'd like to suggest, please contact committee chair Mark Topel at marktopel@verizon.net or 201-967-9179. We want to hear your ideas.

Our synagogue is delighted to again welcome the noted author, correspondent and friend of the JCCP/CBT, Herb Keinon, on Sunday, April 12, at 7 p.m. Keinon will speak on the topic "Israel's 2015 elections: The country spoke, but what in the world did it say, and what in the world does it mean?" Keinon has been at The Jerusalem Post for over 25 years and has covered the diplomatic beat for the past 15 years. He often accompanies the prime minister on his travels abroad. Keinon was in Washington last month to cover Prime Minister Netanyahu's addresses to AIPAC and a joint session of Congress on the threat posed by a potential international deal with Iran on the nuclear issue.

The JCCP/CBT will hold a Yom Hashoah Holocaust Memorial Service on Thursday, April 16, at 8 p.m. We are honored to announce that our guest speaker will be Robert Bielsky. There will also be a candle-lighting memorial ceremony in which the entire audience will participate. Come and join with the Jewish people the world over to commemorate Yom Hashoah. Your participation will help insure that the Holocaust and its innocent victims will not be forgotten. Please see the flier in this Bulletin for more information.

- The Paramus-Tikvah Singers are meeting with Cantor Weiss to learn songs for our congregation's Yom HaShoah observance on April 16. No experience is necessary, so please try it out. The rehearsals will be on Sunday, March 29 and April 12, at 11 a.m., and Tuesday, March 31, April 7 and 14, at 8:15 p.m. Please talk to Cantor Weiss for more information.
- JCCP/CBT Book Club Our next book will be "The Golem and the Jinni" by Helen Wecker. This fascinating book is the 2014-15 book selection of the JFNNJ's One Book, One Community program. Carolyn Kaufmann will be the facilitator for our discussion. There will be light refreshments PLUS a surprise creative activity! Sunday, April 26, at 10 a.m.
- Due to Passover and a busy Sunday schedule this month, there will be no Sunday afternoon movie in April. The next movie afternoon will be on May 3; more information to come.
- · Shabbat study sessions will be led once a month by Rabbi Gold and Rabbi Kogen immediately after the Kiddush luncheon.

Regular events sponsored by Adult Education:

- Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow Everyone is welcome to join these lively and popular weekly discussions led by Al Nahum. Mondays, 1:30 p.m.
- Mahjongg Players of all abilities are welcome. Thursdays, 1:30-3:30 p.m. in the Bodeen Chapel. Thank you to Debbie Barbash and Ronnie Schmidt, who help those who need instruction. Contact Mimi Levin at grandmamimil@verizon.net or 201-265-0454 for more information.
- Play Canasta on Tuesdays from 1 to 3 p.m. You are welcome to join with or without prior knowledge of the game. We are so happy that Bev Cohen and Esther Kantrowitz are volunteering their time to teach us how to play! For more information, contact Mimi Levin at 201-265-0454.

~ Purim Raffle - 2015 ~ \$10,000



1st Prize ... \$7,500 Frieda and Alan Finkelstein

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Friday Night Dinner

Jewish Community Center of Paramus/ Congregation Beth Tikvah
E. 304 Midland Avenue – Paramus NJ

April 24th 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 \$54 per family
(Immediate family members only)

RSVP by Tuesday, April 21st 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.



If you have special dietary needs, please contact

Laurie (<u>lirwax@gmail.com</u>) or Esther (hubbiem@aol.com)



Community Affairs

Every Day is Mitzvah Day

Thank you to all who brought turkeys, food and monetary donations to our Fran Leib Memorial Turkey Drive on March 25. As always, Roz Gerard and members of the Leib family were in the JCCP/CBT parking lot bright and early to accept donations.

Please remember that the food banks are in constant need, so don't forget our ongoing food drive. Bring an item or a bag of non-perishable food to the synagogue when you come for a meeting or activity during the week. Especially needed items include canned tuna and meat, hearty soups, Parmalat, baby food, pasta, rice, hot and cold cereal, and fruit juice.

Speaking of feeding the hungry, each year the Community Affairs Committee at the JCCP/CBT provides and serves a full dinner as part of the Walk-In Dinner program at the Bergen County Homeless Shelter. The program schedules a congregation or organization every day to provide, prepare and serve at the Bergen County Housing, Health and Human Service Center in Hackensack. Thank you to Roz Gerard and her helpers, who fed approximately 150 people on March 8. A special thanks to Steven Gerard, who always provides the chickens for this mitzvah.

Our daily morning and evening minyans are an important part of what makes our synagogue so special. We need everyone's help to continue this important mitzvah. Morning minyan is held at 6:45 on Mondays and Thursdays, and at 7 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Our evening minyans are held at 8 from Sunday through Thursday. Your help is urgently needed for this meaningful and important mitzvah. Make a commitment to attend once a week, or even once a month, at the service of your choice.

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 information, call 201-820-3948.

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, Ukraine. We have been sending knitted and crocheted articles to the orphanage since 2005, and now we need more people to contribute finished goods.

After all these years, we would appreciate donations of money to buy enough yarn of the same weight and color to make a whole garment. Please consider making a donation to the Community Affairs Tzedaka fund when you donate in honor or in memory of a loved one.

We will still teach anyone who would like to learn to knit or crochet for the orphanage. You may knit wherever you like and we will arrange to pick up the finished projects. However, you might want to join us for an enjoyable afternoon at our Knitting Bees. The company is great; the refreshments are good, too. We usually meet on the last Monday of the month. 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.



The family of Harry Lerman wishes to thank the members, Rabbis and staff of the JCCP/CBT for the support and kindness shown to us at this sad time of our lives.

Millie Lerman

A Purim Carnival Thank You

The Purim Carnival is one of those wonderful activities that is added to the list that exemplifies what our synagogue so ably represents - an active and involved community. There is a large group of people, from every arm of the synagogue, that comes together each year and volunteers their time and service.

This year's carnival was no exception. To walk into this building was to know that something special was happening.

A very sincere thanks to all of you who helped run and set up the games, distribute prizes, serve food, sell tickets, etc. Without this help and cooperation the carnival simply wouldn't be the success that it is.

Thanks and appreciation again. Till next year: Sunday, March 20, 2016, noon-2 p.m. I know we'll have some new volunteers next year – they've already volunteered their services! I look forward to working with you all.

All the best,

Mimi Levin

SHARE YOUR SIMCHA WITH YOUR COMMUNITY:

The Jewish Community Center of Paramus/Congregation Beth Tikvah

Birth announcement? Engagement? Marriage? *New job? New pet? New car? New home?* **Graduation?**

Share all your simchas with us!

Just send a picture and a couple of lines explaining the good news. We will post on on the JCCP/CBT "simcha page" in our Bulletin. Email all material to: elanajccpcbtbulletin@gmail.com



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- 6. Inglourious Basterds
- 7. The Jazz Singer
- 8. Life Is Beautiful
- 9. Burt Bacharach
- 10. Marlee Matlin



As Passover approaches, our thoughts turn toward preparations for the Seder, as well as a review of the historical events being commemorated.

And, of course, food always plays a role. Try your hand at the variety of questions below.

Entrants should send their responses to: jccpcbtbulletincontest@gmail.com

1) Why is potato flour permissible (even to Ashkenazic Jews) on Passover?





- 2) Prior to Passover, Jews seek to use up and/or sell all the Hametz they have in their possession. When you are selling your Hametz, why do you customarily give money to the rabbi, rather than receiving money?
- 3) It has happened several times that there is a total eclipse at the start of Passover. Based on information that is widely available about astronomy, would that be a total eclipse of the sun, or of the moon? (Hint: Passover begins on the 15th of the lunar month.)





- 4) Moses' initial request to Pharaoh was for the Israelites to have an opportunity to worship in the desert. Pharaoh resented Moses' request, so he responded by making the working conditions of the Israelite slaves more difficult. What was the specific restriction that Pharaoh imposed, that expanded the workload of the slaves?
- 5) For several of the Ten Plagues, the Torah specifies an impact on the Egyptians that differed from the impact on the Israelites. What are some of the differences?





6) How different this night is from all other nights! On all other nights, we eat either leavened bread or matzah; why, on this night, do we eat only matzah?



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