



## SAVE THE DATE ... COME CELEBRATE!

Join us at our annual Ad Journal Dinner Dance  
as the JCCP-CBT honors four very special people



*Randy and Paul Auerbach*  
*Nina and Russell Rothman*

in recognition of their years of dedication to our congregation.

**Sunday, June 14, 2015 • 4:30 p.m.**

### Coming In February/ March:

#### FEBRUARY 6

- YJF Family Friday Night  
Service and Program

#### FEBRUARY 8

- YJF Movie & Lunch  
& Sundae Sunday:  
"Mr. Peabody & Sherman"
- Book Club: "Rebecca"

#### FEBRUARY 21

- APT Bingo

#### FEBRUARY 22

- GWAN Movie:  
"The Good Earth"

#### MARCH 1

- Purim Carnival



### Randy and Paul Auerbach

Randy and Paul Auerbach both grew up in Paramus and in our shul. Their families had moved here from New York City and immediately joined the Jewish Community Center of Paramus.

The Auerbach and Danziger families have held numerous Board and leadership roles. All four parents were active in many facets of synagogue life, especially education and youth. That involvement continues through Randy and Paul, as well as their family. The story of their involvement in the JCCP is long and interwoven in the history of our shul. In fact, Rabbi Gottlieb officiated at Paul's Bar Mitzvah and Randy's Bat Mitzvah; at their wedding; at the baby naming of their daughter; and at the Bar Mitzvah of their oldest son.

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### Nina and Russell Rothman

Nina grew up in St. Louis Park, Minnesota, a suburb of Minneapolis. The oldest of four siblings, she attended Miami University and transferred to the University of Minnesota. Always a lover of traveling and seeing new places, Nina realized that a job as a flight attendant was just the ticket. She flew several years for Northwest Airlines, and it was during that time that she met Russell on a blind date while he was a graduate student in the Ecology Department at the University of Minnesota.

Russell was born into a family of wolves just outside the Catskill Game Farm in upstate New York, leading a relatively normal childhood for an undomesticated carnivore. He frolicked with the rest of his pack until one summer day when they were set upon by a roving

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Randy Danziger was born in the Bronx in 1959, and moved to Paramus with her parents, Lois and Larry, and her older brother when she was 2 years old. Upon joining the JCCP, her parents started to build a life in Paramus. Larry served several terms on the Board of Directors and was president of the Men's Club. Lois was very active in the religious school and school functions, and ran the after-school snack program for years. They remained strong supporters of activities at the religious school, and sponsored programs long after their children, and even grandchildren, finished and graduated. Larry remains an active member of the shul today.

Randy graduated from college with a degree in fashion design and held several positions in the fashion industry, both with manufacturers as well as the buying office of an upscale department store. She married Paul in 1981 and left the industry a year later, as she was expecting their first child. Randy followed her parents' example of commitment to the shul, usually behind the scenes. She was very involved with both the Early Childhood Center and the religious school, and was always a class mother for one or several grades. She performed this function in the public school and our religious school – usually simultaneously! Randy stayed active in many center functions, most notable the Education and Youth committees, and served as the Youth Committee chairperson – the second Mrs. Auerbach to hold the position. She was also quite active in the Young Couples Club and has worked on countless center class dinners. Randy has also volunteered in the community, beginning at a young age at Valley Hospital. This has continued throughout her life; both she and her family are also regular donors to several local food banks.

Paul Auerbach moved to Paramus from Rosedale, Queens, in 1969, at the age of 11, with his parents, Tanya and Irwin, and his sister. Like the Danzigers, the Auerbachs became involved quickly at the JCCP. Tanya and Irwin served on the Board of Directors, and were founding members of the Board of Governors; they remained members until Tanya died in 2007. Tanya also chaired the Youth Committee, as did Randy, and ran the Passover Candy Program for several years.

Paul graduated from college in 1979 with a degree in Business Administration. He went to work in the family business – importing and distributing specialty produce – and still runs the company. His increased involvement in the synagogue began after Irwin's death in 1992 when he attended the daily minyan for a year. Being in the shul often leads one to become involved there. However, Paul's first JCCP office was much earlier – youth group president at age 15! Paul helped found and lead our youth group, GWAN (group without a name).

Paul has served on the Board of Directors (now the Board of Trustees) for 22 years with a one-year gap. Paul had been the treasurer of the congregation for nine of the past 10 years, leaving the position last June. He remains on the Finance Committee and has chaired several JCCP/CBT committees, including finance, financial oversight and several nominating committees. He was one of the founders and long term co-chair of the JCCP/CBT Golf Tournament. Paul was instrumental in our obtaining a line of credit and the early retirement of our building mortgage. He served or chaired many search committees, including the hiring of Rabbi Weiner, Cantors Rosenblatt and Weiss, and several executive di-

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band of Rothmans. Although vastly outnumbered, the pack managed to escape, all except for Russell who was darted and captured and brought back to Teaneck, where he was eventually domesticated. Once he was able to take out the garbage instead of eating it, he assimilated into the public school system and also attended Hebrew School at the JCC of Teaneck. His manners in school improved as he was rewarded with belly rubs and doggy chews. His favorite course was gym, where he captivated his friends with his ability to catch Frisbees with his teeth.

He eventually went off to college, to Washington University in St. Louis, where he luckily met up with some biologists and Marlin Perkins, reconnected with his wolf friends and decided to go to graduate school at the University of Minnesota and study the one subject that was a part of his DNA: wolf biology and behavior. He completed his master's degree with his studies of wolf communication and pack formation in the northern wilderness of Minnesota. As he began to prepare his Ph.D. studies of wolf ecology in Israel, he met Nina in Minneapolis and fell in love. They began courtship behavior, which included scent-marking and howling together during each full moon. They married in 1979 and shortly afterward, Russell flew to Israel for several months of research in the Negev. It was there that their son, Michael, was conceived and, shortly thereafter, Russell returned to the U.S. to raise a family. His domestication now complete, Russell and Nina moved to Oradell with Michael. Russell began working with his two brothers and father in the family consumer electronics distribution business. Their daughter Dana was born three years later; a second daughter, Allison, was born two years after that. Russell and Nina realized that they needed to find a synagogue as Michael would be starting nursery school soon and the girls soon after him. They didn't have to look far and joined the JCC of Paramus, and although Michael had a predilection for roots, tubers, and venison, he enjoyed the JCC Nursery School. Russell and Nina then joined the Young Couples Club, made up of parents of the many nursery school students, forming many lifetime bonds. This was how they first met Paul and Randy Auerbach.

For many years, Nina worked in the synagogue kitchen, cooking for Shabbat, and then helped run the Purim Festival for many years. One day she took Allie to the Garden State Plaza to attend a Volunteer Fair so that Allie could find some community service opportunities, while Nina thought she would go shopping. However, as they walked past the various booths, one struck Nina – it was the Shelter Our Sisters booth. Nina signed up immediately. She underwent weeks of training at the shelter and began a new chapter in her life. She worked with a number of abused women and became a mentor to one in particular – a 15-year-old mother who had already become legally emancipated from her parents. Now 30, working and independent, this young woman and mother to two daughters still maintains close ties to Nina.

Nina also began service as a volunteer counselor for victims of domestic violence and continues to work with a dozen local community police departments who call her in, at all hours of the day and night, when the police respond to a domestic complaint. Anyone who knows Nina knows that she is a remarkable listener. Equally remarkable is how she can get complete strangers to open up to her. Her gift has been an invaluable service to a countless number of women in Bergen County.

A few years after going to the JCCP, Russell's father died and he began attending daily morning minyan as his father had once requested his sons to do and as he had done for his father. He discovered a warm camaraderie among the regular minyanaires that he found very comforting during his period of mourning. Several of them were particularly helpful in navigating through the prayers and rituals. When one active member became ill, a position opened up on the Board of Trustees. Russell then did something that ended up changing his life; he asked the then executive director, Ike Shalom, if there was some way he could help. What happened next resulted in 14 years of service as synagogue treasurer, a lot of meetings and late nights away from home, followed by another five years as vice president, culminating in a two-year (and one extra month) term as president. The synagogue truly became grafted into their lives and remains a vital part to this day. When Russell was ready to step down as treasurer, he immediately approached his closest friend, Paul Auerbach, and tried to convince him to take the soon-to-be-vacated position. When Paul asked Russell how much time it would take, Russell sat back and told Paul the yarn told for centuries, fed to many people by the Nominating Committee and countless past presidents: "It's easy, just a few hours a week and couple of meetings." The rest is history.

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rectors and educational directors. Paul also served on the Negotiating Committee, responsible for employment and compensation of our staff and professionals, chairing that committee for almost nine years.

Outside the shul, Paul is active in many produce industry organizations, and has coached baseball and soccer in both Washington Township and Oradell, including coordinating the instructional soccer program in Washington Township for 5- and 6-year-olds. He also serves on the board of his condominium.

One of the earliest JCCP involvements for Randy and Paul together was as members of the Young Couples Club. Randy especially helped prepare for many of its functions. That's where they met their co-honorees for this year, Nina and Russell Rothman. Randy and Nina met cutting fruit in the center kitchen, and the two families have been close ever since – Randy, Nina, Russell and Paul, as well as their children and grandchildren, even their pets!

Randy and Paul recently moved to Park Ridge after many years in Washington Township and Oradell. They like to travel and spend much of their time in Florida or visiting their children, who reside all over the country.

Amanda, 27, lives in Chicago. As Randy and Paul say, she went to Chicago for college and never left. She works for Northwestern University, her alma mater, and is attending graduate school, working towards a master's degree in Public Health. She is a past president of the JCCP Kadima program.

Gregory, 30, graduated from film school in New York with a degree in film production. He lives in Los Angeles and is an artist. Greg has been recognized inside and outside the art community. His work has been featured at many art festivals, including the Beverly Hills Art Show, the Los Angeles International Art Show, and Art Basil, in Miami. Recently, The Jewish Standard did a feature article about Greg and his work.

Josh, 32, the oldest child, lives in Livingston with his wife, Michelle, and their daughter Lily, 2 1/2. Lily is extremely close to her Nana and Papa, and the New Jersey address allows for frequent visits. Josh works with Paul in the produce business and was honored recently by an industry association as being one of their "40 under 40" rising stars. Josh was also Hebrew School class president and volunteered to help a special needs student in our Hebrew School.

Paul and Randy have an 11-year-old dog, Gracie, who's like a fourth child, and also three grand dogs.

Although the family is spread out in all corners of the country, they see each other often and consider themselves very close. Paul and Randy consider this as their greatest accomplishment.

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Now retired, Russell is still active with the Alzheimer's Association and has been a board member of the New Jersey chapter for over 15 years. Twelve years ago he created the Northern N.J. Alzheimers Walk to End Alzheimers, which was held at Van Saun Park for 11 years and now is at Bergen Community College every October. Attracting close to 5,000 people, it has become one of the largest and most successful walks in the country. For over 20 years, Russell has also been the co-chairman of the American Society for the Protection of Nature In Israel, the U.S. branch of Israel's largest NGO and the largest conservation organization in the Middle East. He has traveled to Israel over 20 times and goes with the ASPNI board every other year to visit various projects that are funded by the U.S. group. One of the highlights of his tenure with the ASPNI happened in 1992, when the group hosted an international conservation symposium in Eilat. Representatives from more than 40 countries attended, including Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, India, Russia, and China. The guest of honor was the Dalai Lama, his first and only trip to Israel, and personally meeting him during the symposium was an unforgettable experience. The guest musician was Paul Winter, an old friend of Russell's from his wolf howling days. Paul is currently putting the finishing touches on a new album inspired by his trip to Israel for the meeting that year.

Information about Nina and Russell wouldn't be complete without mentioning their three children, who are such an important part of their lives. Michael, now 34, lives on the Lower East Side of NYC and is the co-founder of Fatherly, a social media site dedicated to young fathers. After graduating from Brown University, Michael tried to start a magazine using the prize money he won from an entrepreneurial contest at the school. When that didn't materialize, he and a friend decided to bike ride across the country, raising money for the Big Brothers Big Sisters program of NYC. Eight weeks later he arrived in Los Angeles, and an interview with Arianna Huffington, co-founder of the Huffington Post, resulted in a position at Thrillist, a popular social media site in NYC as their first employee. His years at a Thrillist helped him develop into a social media expert, and Michael continues to speak at national meetings and appears on business TV shows as a media talking head and consultant. Like his father, he continues to bike ride, and despite a few spills and trips to the hospital (like his father), he is currently training for this year's Iron Man competition. He is also a mentor to several young people; one of his recent mentees was featured on NPR in December. He is also on the board of the Moth, which has inspired Nina to develop her storytelling skills to the next level.

Dana, now 30, graduated from the University of Michigan, where she met her husband, Michael Weiss, during their sophomore year. They graduated and moved to Chicago, where Dana then went to the Harrington School of Design. Upon graduation she spent several years at a boutique design firm, where she worked on several projects for the Wrigley and Renker families. Michael and Dana were married in New York five years ago. Michael went to work in the real estate development business. A year ago, Dana gave birth to twins, Jake and Dylan, and quit work to devote her full time to the boys, who bring pure delight and joy to Russell and Nina. Chicago has become a second home to them as they commute back and forth to see the boys when Face Time isn't enough!

Allison, now 28, also graduated from the University of Michigan and returned to New York to begin a career in sales and marketing. At her first job, at Equinox, she met her future husband, Paul Strachman, a French Jew from Paris. He was one of the top financial analysts at Equinox, working directly with the owner. After a long courtship, they married in Brooklyn two years ago, right after the venue was devastated by Hurricane Sandy. Allie and Paul both believed that the venue would be cleaned up in time for their wedding six weeks later and refused to change the location. Sure enough, the place was ready, dry, and electrified, and they were married by Rabbi Weiner before the year's end. With Paul's help and guidance, Allie started her own company, a print media and marketing firm, Spar Partners, and it continues to grow with the help of loyal long-term and satisfied customers such as Louboutin, Omega, and many others. Paul is currently CFO at a start-up media company called Gracious Eloise. They live in midtown Manhattan.

Nina and Russ spend much of their time now at their home in upstate New York, tucked away in the woods, well out of sight from any nearby neighbors. On most nights when Russell and Nina take their dog, Oscar, out for one last walk, they often look up at the night sky and all three of them spontaneously begin a collective howl. Their neighbors are convinced that a family of wolves has moved in.

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## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE IN FEBRUARY!

OUR ACTIVITIES ARE CONTINUING TO DRAW LARGE CROWDS.  
DO COME DOWN TO THE CENTER  
AND BE AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN OUR JCCP/CBT COMMUNITY.

Mondays at 1:30

### **YESTERDAY, TODAY and TOMORROW**

Lively and popular weekly discussions with Al Nahum

Tuesdays at 1:00

### **CANASTA**

Welcome to join with or without prior knowledge of game!  
(There will be instruction!)

Wednesdays 11:30-12:30

### **GENTLE EXERCISE CLASS**

\$5 each week or \$45 for 10 weeks

Thursdays 1:30-3:30

### **WEEKLY MAHJONG**

All levels welcome.

### PERIODIC EVENTS

#### **1. MOVIE AFTERNOON**

Sunday February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 3

#### **"THE GOOD EARTH"**

Pre reserved deli dinner, \$12.50 per person

#### **2. BOOK CLUB**

Sunday February 8<sup>th</sup> at 10

#### **"REBECCA"**

By Daphne Du Maurier

For further information and to make reservations for the deli-dinner after the movie  
call Mimi Levin @ 201-265-0454 or the synagogue office @ 201-262-7691



## From the Rabbi



Rabbi Arthur D. Weiner

An important election is coming up this year. I'm not referring to the March elections in Israel – I wrote about that last month – nor the 2016 presidential elections. (The first primary is in just 13 months and no doubt will provide sermon material for many months.)

This month, I want to talk about the next World Zionist Congress, which will convene in Jerusalem this October. I'd like to explain briefly about the World Zionist Congress (WZC), its history, what it does, and why these elections matter to all of us.

The World Zionist Congress elects officers to two important organizations: the World Zionist Organization and the Jewish Agency.

The World Zionist Organization was founded by Theodor Herzl and held its first meeting in Basel, Switzerland, in 1897. Since then the organization has met on a regular basis. It is comprised of delegates from the State of Israel and every Diaspora community.

The Jewish Agency, which was founded in 1948, is the largest Jewish nonprofit organization in the world. Among its many activities are sponsoring immigration to Israel, establishing towns, villages and even cities throughout Israel, and serving as an important link between Israel and Jewish communities throughout the world. The Jewish Agency is not funded by the government of Israel but by the Jewish Federations of North America and the Jewish National Fund, as well as many communities, donors and foundations throughout the world. It operates

and maintains dozens of programs each year that benefit millions of Israelis along with Jews throughout the world. The agency also builds infrastructure in the State of Israel, provides for the welfare and absorption of immigrants, and among its more recent activities, works to strengthen the relationship between Israel and Diaspora communities. The *shlichim* (Israeli emissaries) who serve many communities, including ours in Bergen County, are funded by the Jewish Agency. Our relationship with Nahariya, our sister city in Israel, is similarly funded by the Jewish Agency. (Indeed, the children in our Hebrew School are in regular communication with their peers in Nahariya in a project sponsored by the Jewish Agency!) And the Jewish Agency has been a leader in the Birthright Israel program, which has brought tens of thousands of young adults to Israel, including many from our own congregation.

That is why these elections are important and why we need to know more about them. The 500 delegates who will be elected to the WZC will debate the issues, set the priorities, and fund the projects of these organizations and institutions for the next four years. Their priorities and decisions will reflect either our values or someone else's values. Twenty-nine percent of the delegates will be from the American delegation, the second largest after the State of Israel. Every Jewish-American 18 and older who belongs to a Zionist organization is eligible to vote.

The elections started in January and will run through April 30. Elections for the American delegation will take place under the auspices of the American Zionist Movement, a national umbrella organization of American Zionist organizations representing cultural, religious, and politically oriented Zionist organizations such as Hadassah, Mercaz USA (representing the Conservative movement), ARZA (representing the Reform movement), and Religious Zionists of America, as well as organizations that further the reach of Israeli political parties.

You can register to vote by following this link:

<https://myvoteourisrael.com/>.

I encourage every member of the JCCP/CBT family to participate in this important vote. These elections are the closest thing we have to a parliament or congress of the worldwide Jewish community. We are talking about a series of organizations with a combined budget of over \$350 million. The deci-

sions made will fund programs that are concerned with immigration, Jewish education, and combating anti-Semitism throughout the world. Our voices and our votes must be part of the discussion. The type of Judaism that we practice, traditional in orientation, yet open to the challenges and realities of modernity, and the values it projects, must be represented!

## IMPROVE YOUR SIDDUR LITERACY

In a new course taught by Cantor Weiss, we will build on your basic ability to follow along in the siddur (whether in Hebrew letters or transliteration) to gain greater proficiency in understanding the prayers and navigating the siddur. Familiar prayers will be used as a springboard to improve vocabulary and explore common siddur themes.

The classes will be held for eight Tuesdays at 8:15 p.m. starting February 3. Please feel welcome to try a class or two to see if the course meets your needs.

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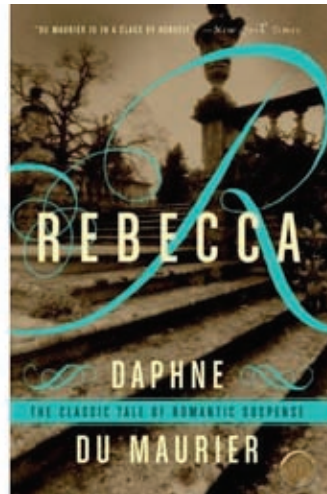
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# BOOK CLUB

Sunday, February 8th @ 10 a.m.



The best-selling novel "REBECCA" is remembered for the character Mrs. Danvers, the fictional estate Manderly and its opening lines:  
"Last night I dreamt I went to Manderly again ..."

With "REBECCA," Du Maurier created a classic Gothic romance.

Whether you read "REBECCA" for the first time or take time to re-read this classic book, a discussion is planned for Sunday, February 8, assuming enough people show interest.

Please let Mimi know if you plan to attend. Light refreshments will be served.  
Mimi Levin at 201-265-0454 or [grandmamimil@verizon.net](mailto:grandmamimil@verizon.net)

## COMING IN MARCH:

Thursday, March 26, with Paramus Hadassah:  
Discussion on "The Ministry of Special Cases" by J. Kates and G.T. Reimer.



# Services

## FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

February 6 .....8:30 p.m.  
ONEG HOST: Sharon & Joshua Kates in honor  
of Talia's Bat Mitzvah

## SABBATH SERVICES

February 7 .....9:00 a.m.  
TORAH READING: Yitro  
KIDDUSH HOST: Sharon & Joshua Kates in  
honor of Talia's Bat Mitzvah  
JUNIOR CONGREGATION ..... 10:00 a.m.  
MINCHA & MA'ARIV ..... 5:05 p.m.

## FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

February 13 .....8:30 p.m.  
ONEG HOST: JCCP/CBT

## SABBATH SERVICES

February 14 .....9:00 a.m.  
TORAH READING: Mishpatim  
KIDDUSH HOST: JCCP/CBT  
JUNIOR CONGREGATION ..... 10:00 a.m.  
MINCHA & MA'ARIV .....5:10 p.m.

## FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

February 20 .....8:30 p.m.  
ONEG HOST: JCCP/CBT

## SABBATH SERVICES

February 21 .....9:00 a.m.  
TORAH READING: Terumah  
KIDDUSH HOST: JCCP/CBT  
JUNIOR CONGREGATION ..... 10:00 a.m.  
MINCHA & MA'ARIV .....5:20 p.m.

## FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

February 27 .....8:30 p.m.  
ONEG HOST: JCCP/CBT

## SABBATH SERVICES

February 28 .....9:00 a.m.  
TORAH READING: Tetzaveh  
KIDDUSH HOST: JCCP/CBT  
JUNIOR CONGREGATION ..... 10:00 a.m.  
MINCHA & MA'ARIV .....5:30 p.m.

## From the Executive Director



Harvey M. Brenner, FSA, FTA

I recently returned from a week or so in South Florida, where my wife and I cleaned out her parents' former home. The somber task of sifting through a lifetime of memories, possessions and photographs continued unabated through sunshine or the almost daily rain.

One day, after completing our requisite assigned jobs, my wife and I went out to grab some dinner and drove past what until last November was a Conservative synagogue. Now there is a temporary sign proclaiming it the new home of the Bethel Evangelical Baptist Church. Although I know nothing of the former Temple Emeth of Delray Beach (I believe that was its name), it saddened me greatly to find yet another synagogue "going out of business." Attempts to locate the synagogue on the Internet were met with a message that the "home page was unable to be located," which led me to believe that the temple just folded its tent and went home; truly heartbreaking.

As luck would have it, however, I dug a bit deeper, contacted my friends at the USCJ and found out that the synagogue in fact had merged with another one in a neighboring town, perpetuating the vision and history of its former kehillah. I feel much better now because the chore of sorting through my in-laws' home and possessions was disheartening enough without compounding it by seeing yet another organized Jewish community disappear.

About three years ago, the former New Milford Jewish Center/Congregation Beth Tikvah was faced with a similar dilemma and chose to affiliate with a Conservative synagogue (the JCC of Paramus) just a few miles away. From my perspective, merging was so much wiser and progressive than just closing up shop. Members who had invested their time, money and sweat equity in the former congregations were rewarded with the knowledge that the basic precepts and mission of the kehillah continue onward and upward, albeit in another location. Activities are melded together into a new calendar, with each former organization benefitting from the input, influence, talents and energies of the other. New friendships are formed, renewed energy and commitment are again invested, and the combined membership benefits are greater than the sum of its parts.

Here at the JCCP/CBT, we have enjoyed a smooth transition, working together to address issues and concerns quickly, compassionately and professionally as they arise. The ability to keep the focus on how we can make things work rather than "here are the reasons why this can't (or won't) work" eases the task greatly. Promises are kept. By any measure one uses, our merger is a success!

My hope for the newly formed Temple Torat Emeth (a combination of Temple Torah and Temple Emeth) is that it also enjoys a peaceful and successful transition into a new, thriving, sustainable Jewish community in South Florida. May we each draw inspiration from each other and may Klal Yisrael be strengthened by our collaborations!

Happy New Year and New Beginnings to all!

*(Editor's note: Harvey is the author of a thesis on Merging Congregations, submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirements for his FTA accreditation. He lectures and trains congregational leaders on the subject for the USCJ, the URJ and other organizations.)*



# JCCP/CBT MOVIE AFTERNOON

**Sunday, February 22, at 3 o'clock**



*The Good Earth* is a 1937 Drama Film  
about Chinese farmers who struggle to survive.

*As always, our deli supper is planned after the movie. Movie  
afternoon has become a pleasant time for so many congregants to  
be together and enjoy each other's company. **Do join us!***

**Movie @ 3 p.m. followed by pre-reserved supper,  
\$12.50 per person.**

For dinner reservations, call Mimi Levin at 201-265-0454  
or the synagogue office at 201-262-7691

**COMING ON MARCH 22 @ 3 p.m.**

**"Snow in August"**

**with post-movie comments from Carolyn Kaufman**





## President's Message



Jacob Bauer

All is proceeding according to plan regarding the sale of Midland Avenue Properties. The buyer is doing his due diligence and should commence the environmental examination shortly. I will continue to keep the membership informed as the process continues.

My Congregant(s) of the Month for February are Merle and Fred Harris. The list of things they have done for the congregation is much too long for this space. Just since I became president, they have run their annual membership raffle and served on the Casino Night Committee; Fred was instrumental in designing the Suggestion Box that's in the lobby; and Merle continues to be an integral part of the Dinner Dance Committee.

This month, Fred Harris, in conjunction with Esther Marks, has instituted a courier system to deliver scrip to our membership. You will find detailed information about this elsewhere in the Bulletin.

But the shining star in their dedication is the annual Purim Raffle, which they have chaired for so many years and has resulted liter-

ally in raising hundreds of thousands of dollars for the congregation.

The best way we can say thank you to Merle and Fred is to contact them and purchase a ticket for this year's raffle. It will help the congregation and show them how much their effort is appreciated.

The JCCP/CBT has a caring (Chevra Kadisha) group of people who help members during times of loss. Volunteers provide members with advice on our mourning customs and help prepare the shiva house for the mourners returning from a funeral. We need volunteers with flexible daytime schedules who can help with this important mitzvah. If you can help, please contact the synagogue office.

Since our Congregation's inception, the cornerstone of our existence has been our morning and evening daily minyans. As time has passed, it has become increasingly more difficult to gather a minyan. We need your help; if you are able to give one morning or evening a week to join the minyan, please inform the rabbi or Religious Committee. The worst that could happen is that if you need to say Kaddish and because we do not have the minyan you cannot – please think about it!

Finally, we are in need of additional kitchen supervisors. Like many areas, we keep calling on the same people again and again, but the numbers have been dwindling. If you have interest in this area, please inform the rabbi. Do not be bashful; you will be properly trained.

Hope the winter is treating all well; spring is less than two months away.

## Youth Group News



Youth Committee chairs Wayne and Debbie Zeiler wrapping presents at Chef Central in Paramus.

You can gather lessons in any life activity if you stay attuned to them and keep your eyes open. As Thomas Edison said, "Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work."

Sometimes those opportunities come with unexpected valuable pay-offs, not only to us but to others, too. Case in point, during the holiday season, about 16 people, from teens to seniors, volunteered at either Chef Central or Paramus Park to wrap presents for the merry gift shoppers gathering trinkets to disburse to their friends and family. Next to where we were happily wrapping presents was a pushke, or donation box, to provide awareness and help raise donations for The Center for Hope and Safety (formerly Shelter Our Sisters). This great organization "is dedicated to assisting victims of domestic abuse, and their children, by turning fear into safety, helplessness into strength, and isolation into hope" ([www.hopeandsafetynj.org](http://www.hopeandsafetynj.org)). We thank everyone who gave his or her time to help with this mitzvah.

Wayne and Debbie Zeiler, 201-599-1392

[Wayne.zeiler@gmail.com](mailto:Wayne.zeiler@gmail.com) / [Dibble.one@gmail.com](mailto:Dibble.one@gmail.com)

*"Kindness in words creates confidence. Kindness in thinking creates profoundness. Kindness in giving creates love."* ~ Lao Tzu

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

We have some great events planned for the upcoming months. Please save the dates; more details to follow!

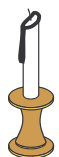
#### FEBRUARY:

- Friday-Saturday, February 6-7: Midwinter Kinnus in Livingston (USY)
- Sunday, February 8: Kadima event at the JCCP/CBT!
- Saturday, February 21: Dinner before Bingo Night (Kadima)
- Sunday, February 22: Game Night - Bring a friend! (USY)

#### MARCH:

- Sunday, March 1: Kadima Day - Regional event
- Sunday, March 1: Purim Carnival - USY will have a cool carnival event!
- Saturday, March 7: Junior/Senior Prom
- Friday-Saturday, March 13-14: 8th-Grade Shabbaton in Millburn
- Sunday, March 22: USY event at JCCP/CBT
- Sunday, March 29: Chocolate Seder (USY/Kadima)

Please feel free to email me at [danielleporwich@gmail.com](mailto:danielleporwich@gmail.com) with any questions about these events in the works. We are looking forward to seeing you!



## Light the Sabbath Candles



Friday, February 6 .....	5:00 P.M.
Friday, February 13.....	5:08 P.M.
Friday, February 20 .....	5:17 P.M.
Friday, February 27 .....	5:25 P.M.



# Tu B'Shevat



Dear JCCP/CBT family,

February 4, 2015 is *Tu B'Shevat*, a special day of the Jewish year. *Tu B'Shevat* literally means the 15th of the Hebrew month of Shevat, and is understood to be the New Year for trees. Just as Jewish tradition regards the first day of the month of Tishrei as Rosh Hashanah, the New Year for the calendar, trees, (and for that matter the growing season in Israel) have their own special day as well.

Why does there need to be a new year for trees? The Bible tells us that when a tree was planted in Israel, its fruit was not to be consumed for three years. The question that needed to be answered was whether that date was counted from the actual planting of the tree, or by some other measure. Trees planted before Tu B'Shevat, became a year old after that date. (If this is confusing to you, consider this: if you were to buy a brand new 2013 model car on Dec. 31st 2013, the car – at least according to the auto industry and your insurance company – becomes one year old on January 1, 2014.) It is best explained as a way to understand time.

But this holiday operates on another level as well. Tu B'Shevat connects us to the growing season in the land of Israel, and also has the potential to help us consider the importance of the things that grow all around us, so easily ignored even as our society becomes far more attuned to environmental concerns than ever before. Tu B'Shevat is celebrated by eating traditional fruits grown in the land of Israel (wheat, barley, grapes, figs, pomegranates, olives, and dates), and by planting trees, thereby renewing our connection to the land and at the same time, reconnecting ourselves to nature and its importance and worth. Interestingly enough, this idea may indeed explain why Israel is the only place on earth that had more trees at the end of the 20th century than at the beginning.



There are no additional prayers during the day's services, and there are no special "requirements" for Tu B'Shevat.

Chag Sameach

Rabbi Arthur D. Weiner



# Young Jewish Families



Family



Service and Program



as we also

celebrate Tu B'Shevat

**FEBRUARY 6, 2015 - 7:30 PM**

Please join us for our **FEBRUARY**  
Family Friday Night Shabbat service and program.

Come with your parents, grandparents, family and friends.

Please RSVP and let us know who is coming, and  
who would like to lead a prayer.

Service and story time is followed by a light  
**DAIRY** oneg and playtime in the gym.



Join us for  
Shabbat.



For more information or questions, please  
don't hesitate to contact Elana & Eugene @  
201-449-0562 or [yjf18@hotmail.com](mailto:yjf18@hotmail.com)  
or check us out on our website [www.jccparamus.org](http://www.jccparamus.org)







## Hebrew School News



Marcia Kagedan

It may be the middle of the winter, but the Hebrew School has been moving along with so many warm and wonderful programs for our children and their families that we haven't even noticed the cold temperatures!

- APT hosted a delightful Shabbat dinner for the Hebrew School families.
- Eileen Schneider, Rob Chananie and Rabbi Weiner had a very informative morning with the seventh-graders and their parents. The purpose was twofold: to enlighten the families about the JCCP/CBT Torah service, so that they would feel comfortable participating on the day of their child's simcha; and to explain the meaning, significance and the manufacture of Tefillin. The bagel breakfast was also a great opportunity for families to mingle and get to know each other better. Thank you APT for sponsoring the gathering.
- Our electives program has begun. On four consecutive Tuesdays, the children spend an hour engaged in the elective of their choice. Our teachers prepared the sessions on topics that would excite the children. The children selected from:
  - \* Jewish Monarchy: The life and times of the first 3 kings.
  - \* Israel: Innovations that have changed the world.

\* Current Events and the creating of a Hebrew School Newsletter.

\* Chesed: Learning about and doing acts of kindness.

### **Coming up in February:**

#### **Sunday, February 8:**

- Sunday Special for 4- to 7-year-olds at 9:30 a.m.

#### **Sunday and Tuesday, February 15 and 17:**

- No school for Presidents Weekend vacation.

#### **Saturday, February 21:**

- APT hosts Bingo Night. All JCCP/CBT members are welcome. **There will be prizes to suit all ages.**
- Hamantaschen baking and regular classes.

### **Special Announcements:**

Our seventh-graders are in the midst of selecting and working on their Mitzvah projects in honor of their upcoming Bar/Bat Mitzvot. I will share the projects with the entire community in the hope that you will participate in them. Here are the first three for you to think about:

- Sarah Hausman is doing a **BOOK DRIVE**. She is collecting new and gently used books for kids in K-12 that she will donate to underprivileged communities.
- Talia Kates is collecting new or **GENTLY USED SHOES** of all sizes to give to the NJ Foot and Ankle Center, which will distribute the shoes to those in need.
- Ariel Knopf is collecting **FOOD, TREATS AND TOYS FOR DOGS** to be given to the ASPCA federation.

Collection boxes for all three will be in the Hebrew School office. Donations can also be left in the main synagogue office with a label stating that it is for this purpose.

Thank you all for helping to make these mitzvah projects successful. I will describe other projects in future columns.

*Shalom Ulehitra'ot.*

## Young Jewish Families

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE AND PROGRAM**

**Friday, February 6 and March 6 @ 7:30 p.m.** Please see flier in the Bulletin and on the JCCP/CBT website for details.

#### **MOVIE & MAKE YOUR OWN SUNDAY**

**Sunday, February 8 @ 11:30 a.m.** Please see flier for details on lunch and movie: "Mr. Peabody & Sherman."

**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 the first Friday of each month, we hold our Friday Night Family Program. This event is a family-friendly Friday night service 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 [yjf18@hotmail.com](mailto:yjf18@hotmail.com) or 201-449-0562.

Thank you.

Eugene and Elana Heitlinger

## Men's Club

We were delighted to again host this year's Chanukah dinner and breakfast celebrations, and were pleased to see so many longtime members as well as new friends. If you keep coming, we'll keep feeding you.

Look for information soon regarding this year's Purim festivities and our annual Mishloach Manot basket orders.

In March, watch for a fun evening of wine tasting co-sponsored with our Sisterhood. Of course, this all leads up to Passover, when the purchased wines can be shared with your guests.

Plans are also underway for a special presentation with a guest of great renown. We will announce details and offer information once finalized.

The Men's Club notes the passing of former New York Gov. Mario Cuomo, a longtime friend and supporter of Israel and a defender in the battle against anti-Semitism.

### **Do We Have Your Correct Email Address?**

**If you're not sure, just answer this question:**

**Are you receiving our weekly announcements?**

**If not, please call the office at: (201) 262-7691**

**or email us at: [office@jccparamus.org](mailto:office@jccparamus.org)**

**THE DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT BULLETIN IS FEB. 7!**

# **Come Join Young Jewish Families For Sundae Sunday!**



**Movie, Lunch & Make Your  
Own Ice Cream Sundae**

**Sunday, February 8 - 11:30 AM**

Students who finish Hebrew school at 11:30,  
come at 11:30; students who finish at 12:30 come at 12:30.  
There will be plenty of food and ice cream.

Cost: \$5.00 per person; 3 & under are free.  
Please R.S.V.P by February 4



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





## Shabbat Dinner Club Launched

A few of us lamented that life is different these days. Some of us miss sharing Shabbat dinners with other families. A few missed having dinner at home anytime. Others wanted to meet new people but did not want to attend synagogue per se. The Jewish Community Center of Paramus/Congregation Beth Tikvah's Shabbat Dinner Club was hatched.

Twenty families participate in a *musical tables* Friday night dinner four times a year. Almost everyone hosts one meal and almost no one shares a meal with the same family twice. While the rules of *Kashrut* are in place, guidelines have been developed to make all the participants comfortable. The fourth and last Shabbat dinner will be hosted by one family in their home, inviting all 20 participants.

Join us for  
Shabbat  
dinner.



Thus far, the response has been fantastic. Strangers have become friends. Recipes have been shared. Two families, living one block apart but in two separate towns, discovered that they were childhood friends. Other families connected in assorted different ways of Jewish geography. Nancy Cohen of Fair Lawn said, "We've been to one Shabbat dinner so far and are eagerly looking forward to the second one in February. It's very nice to meet with people outside of shul and schmooze about Judaism, world views, children, and life in general. We'd like this program to continue and expand in the future!"

Many thanks to Debbie Zeiller, Ruth Smith and Judy Jaffe who stayed with it, plotted the tables and kept the fire going. There is no cost, except the dinner a family hosts. Space is limited. If this interests you, kindly email [JafOranges@gmail.com](mailto:JafOranges@gmail.com) to participate in the 2015-16/5776 year.

## Sisterhood News – COOKIN' UP A STORM

We hope everyone welcomed the new year happily, that you are keeping those resolutions and, most importantly, that 2015 proves to be a most wonderful year for all.

On the subject of resolutions, we take this moment to ask all of our women to resolve to support Sisterhood. We are so fortunate to be a part of such a special community at the JCCP/CBT. Our women are an exceptional group. We can be even stronger with continued, dedicated support to plan events that are fun, entertaining and educational; events at which we can all be together, like a meal, a movie, a game, a trip – the possibilities are endless. With the support of our women, Sisterhood will be a critical source of support to the larger JCCP/CBT community.

So it's the middle of winter, bitterly cold – perfect weather for a large bowl of homemade hot soup. Whether it's chicken, split pea or mushroom and barley (or potato leek, butternut squash, tomato ...), soup warms not only the body but the soul. And why stop at soup? How about a nice plate of brisket or a chicken with maple mustard glaze, some garlic roasted potatoes (or mashed with onions), some sweet (or savory) noodle kugel, roasted Brussels sprouts, broccoli soufflé, apple cake, sorbet and pareve brownies (now we're salivating). Sound good?

Ideas for a meal like this and so many others can be right at our fingertips. Just send your favorite recipes to Sisterhood on the form (following page) and in a few months, we will have one extraordinary cookbook. If everyone in our community

sends in one recipe, we will have a publication to rival any Susie Fishbein volume. We are looking for your favorite recipes, either the tried and true or relatively new, from knaidlach to kale, from kasha to quinoa, that will tantalize our taste buds now and for years to come.

In the last JCCP Cookbook published perhaps 10 years ago, so many of you sent in recipes – hundreds of them. Sadly, some of the senders have since passed away. All the more reason why a JCCP-CBT Cookbook will "increase in value" over time.

In addition to all of your standard resolutions, please also add "to send in recipes for the cookbook." No, preparing these delicious foods won't help with the "lose 10 pounds" resolution, but think of all the benefits a JCCP-CBT Cookbook will bring to the table.

Thanks for contributing! Keep those kosher recipes coming!

In addition to welcoming 2015, we are delighted to greet a number of new Sisterhood members: Corinne Frolow, Barbara Epstein, Joan Simmons, Claire Mann, Emily Long, Annette Kirsztrot, Miriam Marshall, Eleanor Shindel, Bernice London, Nancy Cohen, Zinaida Ben-Simon, Tammy Lane, Yana Zamechek, Robin Wechsler, Marilyn Anshien and Jennifer Bausch-Meli. We look forward to spending time with you!!

Best regards,

Wendy Steinberg / Lori Cohen



For office use only

Recipe No.

Category

Recipe Title

Submitted By

**INGREDIENTS:** Use abbreviations: pt. qt. pkg. env. c. ctn. tsp. T. oz. lb. gal. doz. sm. med. lg.

**DIRECTIONS:**

INSTRUCTIONS

- Print **NEATLY IN INK, NOT PENCIL**, and place only **ONE RECIPE** per form.
- If more room is needed, use another sheet of the same size and staple together.
- Please **WRITE LEGIBLY**, as this will greatly reduce errors.
- List all ingredients in order of use in ingredients list and directions.
- Include container sizes, e.g., 16-oz. pkg., 24-oz. can.
- Keep directions in paragraph form – not in steps.
- Use names of ingredients in the directions, e.g., “Combine flour and sugar.” **DO NOT** use statements like, “Combine first three ingredients.”
- Include temperatures and cooking, chilling, baking, and/or freezing times.
- Be consistent with the spelling of your name for each recipe you contribute.
- Any special recipe notes (anything other than ingredients, directions, contributor name, serving size, or recipe title) should be kept as a separate comment on the bottom of this form, as they may not be included unless we pay extra for it.
- Your recipes should fit into the following categories:

**Appetizers & Beverages**

**Soups & Salads**

**Vegetables & Side Dishes**

**Main Dishes**

**Breads & Rolls**

**Desserts**

**Cookies & Candy**

**This & That**

Dear Friend,

Our organization is preparing a taste-tempting custom cookbook featuring favorite recipes from our members. These cookbooks will be professionally published and contain special pages of interest, a table of contents, an index, helpful cooking hints, and recipe category dividers. It is sure to be treasured for years to come.

Please submit 3–5 of your favorite recipes so you can be represented in our group’s cookbook. Follow the instructions above. Your name will be printed with each of your recipes. Your help in contributing recipes will ensure that our cookbook will be a big success.

We anticipate a great demand for our cookbooks, and we want to be certain to order enough. You can reserve one or more for yourself and your family at this time to be assured of receiving them.

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ cookbook(s) for me.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

P.S. Please submit your recipes to the committee within  
5 days so we can meet our deadline. Thank you!

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF PARAMUS  
CONGREGATION BETH TIKVAH



SISTERHOOD AND MEN'S CLUB  
PRESENT:

**“TRY THE WINE”**

Pre-Passover Wine Tasting

Thursday, March 19, 2015 at 7:00 PM  
Free Admission

Enjoy some of the finest wines available, with guidance from a leading wine expert. You will have an opportunity to purchase your holiday wines at significant discounts!

Questions? Email us!

Wendy Steinberg, [wendysteinberg1@aol.com](mailto:wendysteinberg1@aol.com)  
Marty Basner, [mbasner@aol.com](mailto:mbasner@aol.com)



## Community Affairs

### Every Day is Mitzvah Day

The JCCP/CBT is well known for our efforts to feed the hungry of Bergen County. Our next turkey drive will be before the spring holidays, but the food banks need food NOW, 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, pasta, hot and cold cereal, and fruit juice.

Attending and supporting our morning and evening minyan is especially important during winter months when many regulars are away. Morning minyan is held at 6:45 on Mondays and Thursdays, and 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.

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](http://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](mailto:AliceB@jfnnj.org).

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 Chessed 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.

## Adult Education

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

• **Jewish History: The History of Zionism, the Jewish National Movement.** Instructor: **Rabbi Weiner. Six Wednesdays (began January 28), at 3 or 8:15 p.m.** This winter marks 19 years of the study of Jewish history during our winter Adult Education series. This year we will study Zionism from the birth of Israel to the current era. Join us as we consider the successes and challenges of modern Zionism. We hope to see you there!

• **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 **JFNNJ One Book, One Community**. Carolyn Kaufmann will act as facilitator for our discussion. There will be light refreshments plus a surprise creative activity! Date to be announced.

• **Gentle Exercise Classes** began on January 7. You are welcome to come to any of the remaining classes, which will continue on Wednesdays through the middle of March from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There is a charge of \$5 per class, Please wear comfortable clothes and sneakers. No "on the floor" exercises.

• **Cantor Weiss** will teach a new **Building Siddur Literacy** class on Tuesday nights in **February and March at 8:15 p.m.** for those with a basic Hebrew reading ability.

• **Sweet Tastes of Torah VI** – **Rabbi Weiner** will be among the nearly two dozen rabbis from across North Jersey to lead an outstanding evening of adult Jewish learning sponsored by the North Jersey Board of Rabbis. Saturday, February 7, at the Fair Lawn Jewish Center, 10-10 Norma Avenue. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; Havdalah at 6:50; classes start at 7:30. Cost: \$15 advance online registration; \$20 at the door.

• **After Shabbat Study** – **Rabbi Gold** and **Rabbi Kogen** will preside over study sessions once a month after Shabbat beginning January 31.

### 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 continue to help those in need of some instruction. Contact **Mimi Levin** at [grandmamimil@verizon.net](mailto:grandmamimil@verizon.net) or 201-265-0454 for more information.

If you would like to support our programs but haven't sent in your check yet, it's never too late! Your donation is most appreciated. Contact **Mark Topel**, Adult Education committee chair, at [marktopel@verizon.net](mailto:marktopel@verizon.net) or 201-967-9179 with your comments or suggestions for trips or classes.



## SWEET AND SOUR MEATBALLS

~ Beth Chanie ~

This is a great dish to serve as a meal, side dish or even an appetizer (depending on how large or small you make the meatballs). The meatballs freeze well, too.

### Ingredients:

#### Meatballs:

3 pounds lower-fat ground beef or turkey (or a combo)  
1 cup Jason seasoned bread crumbs  
3 eggs, beaten  
1 cup water

Seasonings to personal taste: salt, pepper, garlic powder,  
minced onion – 1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon of each

#### Sauce:

24 ounces jarred tomato sauce  
1/2 cup lemon juice  
large diced onion  
1 cup water  
3/4 cup brown sugar  
1 cup raisins (optional)

### Preparation:

Put sauce ingredients in a large pot and heat together until the mixture boils. Put on simmer. Combine all ingredients to make meat balls, make balls (small for appetizers, medium or large for dinner); add to simmering sauce. Cover and cook for about an hour.



**Join the North Jersey Board of Rabbis  
for an evening of music, education, discussion, and fun, and explore**

**Sinai Revisited:  
Views from the Mountaintop**

# **Sweet Tastes of Torah VI**

**A Community Night of Learning  
20 Classes to Choose From**

**Saturday Evening, February 7**

**Fair Lawn Jewish Center/Congregation B'nai Israel  
10-10 Norma Avenue, Fair Lawn**

*Registration opens at 6:30 p.m.  
Special Musical Havdalah at 6:50 p.m.*

**Some of the exciting classes include:**

New Songs of Revelation: Mount Sinai in Modern Poetry  
Increasing Happiness: Clues from the Peak  
Should a Rabbi Perform Intermarriages?  
Standing at Sinai: Contemporary Issues  
A First-Hand Account of the Conversion of the Abayudaya Community of Uganda  
The Twenty Commandments; Comparing What We are Told in Exodus and Deuteronomy  
Jewish Law and the Allocation of Limited Medical Resources  
Judith Plasknow's Feminist Approach to Revelation  
Where Can the God Who Showed Up at Sinai Be Found Today?  
Geological Spirituality: Mountains of Revelation

**Full list and descriptions at [www.sweettastesoftorah.weebly.com](http://www.sweettastesoftorah.weebly.com)**

**\$15 per person pre-registered by 2/4; \$20 (cash or check only) at door**

**Register by credit card at [www.sweettastesoftorah.weebly.com](http://www.sweettastesoftorah.weebly.com)  
Or mail your check (payable to North Jersey Board of Rabbis) to:  
32 Franklin Place, Glen Rock, NJ 07452;**

**Questions? 201.652.1687; [sweettastesoftorah@gmail.com](mailto:sweettastesoftorah@gmail.com)**

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### February 1-6

Albert Ben-Simon  
Paul Duboff  
Claire Mann  
Allen Watsky  
Richard Winters  
Alan Kaminsky  
Rhoda Kleinstein  
Howard Rose  
Howard Soled  
Arthur Abrams  
Barbara Liebgott  
Stuart Weinberg  
Owen Moritz  
Norman Rosner  
Olinda Sturm  
Susan Matuson  
Debra Menter

### February 7-13

Sandra Bauer  
Iris Levinsohn  
Barbara Shapiro  
Linda Silver  
Sherry Sternberg  
Bella Viezel  
Marcel Kozuch  
Jeff Braun  
George Malamud  
Shaul Matalon  
David Steinberg  
Joan Schweidel

### February 14-20

Arnold Kessler  
Hilda Luria

Jacob Miller  
Adam Sietz  
Harold Silver  
Hannah Glicksman  
Teresa Kaminsky  
Rose Lazarus  
David Egleston  
Judy Jaffe  
Jeffrey Kleinstein  
Sheldon Cole  
Murray Perl  
Arnold Rubenstein  
Deborah Simon

### February 21-27

Seymour Miller  
Melissa Sietz  
Sheryl Katzenstein  
Simon Schneider  
Stanley Simon  
Ruth Goldstein  
Martin Cohen  
Leslie Lehman  
Janet Roesch  
Charlotte Blechman  
Yakov Brayman  
Herbert Kolb

### February 28

Sim Ashkenazi

*Mazel Tov*

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

### February 7-13

Eric & Marsha Lowenthal  
Sheldon & Bernice Berman

### February 14-20

David & Hilda Luria  
Martin & Carol Langer  
Bruce & Cynthia Meyer  
David & Sara Barzillai  
Joshua & Sharon Kates

### February 21-27

Fred & Melitta Lorsch  
Emanuel & Barbara Shapiro  
Howard & Susan Cohn  
Harold & Mildred Lerman  
Amir & Dalia Yomtobian



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## Yahrzeit Observances

### **For the week of Feb. 1-6**

#### **We Remember:**

JEAN BART  
ROSALIND FREEDMAN  
JENNIE KIRSTEIN  
GERTRUDE TEMARES  
PAULINE AMPER  
ENRIQUE GLUZMAN  
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### **For the week of Feb. 21-27**

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Total No. of People in your group = \_\_\_\_\_ (Note: Max Family Charge is \$56)

\*Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*If you would like to sponsor another family check this box ☐ and add \$50 to your bill. Thank you!

Please fill out this form and submit it, with your check, to the JCCP/CBT office.



*Thank You!*

**Thank You – Todah Rabah...**

to all those who called, visited and sent cards, food, gifts, texts, etc., to check on my health as I continue to recover from surgery. My JCCP/CBT family is like no other and I am truly grateful.

With love and thanks,  
**Rob Chananie**

*In Appreciation*

To our very special JCCP/CBT family,

On November 23, Rosh Chodesh Kislev, our Heitlinger family suffered a great loss with the passing of our father and grandfather, Noe Heitlinger (Noach ben Avraham). He was a survivor of the Holocaust during WWII and unfortunately lost his entire family at that time. Yet he found the strength and courage to go on, to leave Europe, and rebuild his lost Jewish family here in America. He was a true inspiration as to what members of our Jewish community can accomplish even after surviving such a devastating tragedy to our Jewish people and to our own Heitlinger family.

We would like to personally thank all the members of our Jewish community for your outpouring of support, compassion, kindness, and generosity during this very difficult time. It was especially comforting, and greatly appreciated by our entire extended Heitlinger family, to have received so many visitors from our synagogue family during our Shiva week, and for receiving such great support for our daily Minyans from our Rabbi and synagogue members. We feel truly honored and blessed that so many cared during such a difficult time.

**Elana, Eugene, and Yossi**

*Thank You!*

To our JCCP/CBT family, especially Rabbi Weiner,  
Thank you for the tremendous support and assistance you have given me and the entire Menter family during this difficult time for us when my father, Julie Weber, has been so sick and passed away.

**Laura, Jerry, Lisa, Raina, Debra and Ryan**



*Sharing  
Our Simchas*

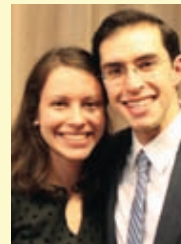


**SHEL BERMAN –  
On the Anniversary  
of his Bar Mitzvah**



I became a bar mitzvah in Jersey City at Congregation Oheb Shalom, Warner Avenue Shul. We were only allowed to chant the Haftorah and give a speech. Then the women, seated upstairs, threw hard candies with their muscular arms at us. Our teacher had told us the secret to avoid becoming bruised was to make a tent of your tallit and learn to bob and weave. The rabbi then gave a LONG speech in Yiddish. I didn't understand a word; it was very difficult to keep looking attentive. The big bar mitzvah gift at the time was a \$25 War Bond. I also received a few fountain pens. The party afterward was that afternoon at the Jersey City Y in the small auditorium. My Dad and I walked the 2-3 miles; luckily it was a beautiful winter day. Like all bar mitzvah boys, I did a wonderful job and greatly enjoyed THE DAY.

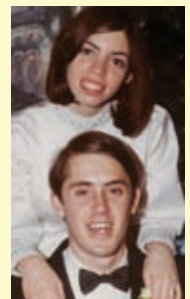
I celebrated Chanukah, my 13th birthday, bar mitzvah and graduation from elementary school, P.S. 34, all in the space of just a few weeks. My gift from my parents for all these events was a two-wheeler bicycle, an Ivor Johson with a basket. I rode it for years.



Rabbi Arthur and Shira Weiner are happy to announce the engagement of their son, Sam, to Marianna Fedorenko.



Sandy and Rich Alpern celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on December 28. They were clearly children when they married (see photo). They are grateful for their good health and look forward to many more years together.



Roz Gerard's granddaughter, Julie S. Berman, was married on December 6 to Craig Lezotte in Long Branch.





# ~ Everyone Eats ~

*A new program coming soon to the JCCP/CBT*

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Thank you,

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**Saturday, April 4**

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**A fun and meaningful Seder,  
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**Enjoy a participatory Seder with your  
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Please look for special announcements and reservation information that will be available later this month, as well as in the March Bulletin.



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Linda, Paul & Joshua Duboff

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January 2015 *Elana Heitlinger / Editor JCCP/CBT Bulletin*

## Answers to the January "Seinfeld" Trivia contest:

1. Jack Klompas
2. Del Boca Vista
3. Many
4. Nana
5. Leo
6. Kramer
7. Myrtle Beach, S.C.
8. Schnitzer's
9. Frank Costanza
10. Tim Whatley





# The JCCP/CBT Bulletin TRIVIA Contest!



**With Spring Training Starting this Month,  
Let's See How Well You Know Baseball ...  
With a Jewish Twist, Of Course.**

Entrants should send their responses to:

[jccpcbtlbulletincontest@gmail.com](mailto:jccpcbtlbulletincontest@gmail.com)

**The Prize: 10 Tickets to the Purim Carnival!**



1. This L.A. Dodgers right-hander subbed for Sandy Koufax in Game 1 of the 1965 World Series when Koufax refused to pitch because he was observing Yom Kippur. (Upon being lifted in the 3rd inning, he famously told manager Walt Alston, "I bet right now you wish I was Jewish, too.")
2. This Milwaukee Brewers outfielder and 2011 National League Most Valuable Player is known as the "Hebrew Hammer."
3. This Hall of Famer, who had over 3,000 hits playing for the Minn. Twins and Calif. Angels, was thought to be Jewish (just listen to Adam Sandler's "Chanukah Song") — but he's not!
4. This slugging Detroit Tigers first baseman was called the first Jewish superstar in American team sports. (Like Koufax, he skipped a game because of Yom Kippur and is a member of the Hall of Fame.)
5. This ex-Yankee was Major League Baseball's first Designated Hitter.
6. This All-Star infielder for the Cleveland Indians won the MVP award in 1953 and later served as president of the Yankees.
7. This lefty-swinging outfielder was a member of the 1969 World Series-winning Mets. (Hint: A dog was named after him on "Everybody Loves Raymond.")
8. This former catcher for several teams is now managing in the majors after leading Team Israel's entry in its bid to qualify for the 2013 World Baseball Classic. (He's an Ivy Leaguer, too, with a degree from Dartmouth.)
9. This All-Star Jewish outfielder was one of the rare major leaguers to hit 30 or more home runs and steal 30 or more bases in the same season.
10. This All-Star infielder for the Boston Red Sox also played for the Chicago White Sox and the Yankees before signing in Japan.



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