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JANUARY 6

YJF service

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Sisterhood's "Sugar Blues" Workshop

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Hebrew School's Shabbat Dinner & Service

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Save the date ... Come celebrate

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

Phyllis and Ken Glatzer Helen and Gary Hutmacher

in recognition of their years of dedication to our congregation.

Sunday, June 10, 2012 ... 5:00 pm



From the Rabbi



Rabbi Arthur D. Weiner

Remember all the jokes about how if Moses would have made a right turn instead of a left turn, then Israel would have ended up with all of the oil? Jokes like these poked fun at one of Israel's greatest geopolitical challenges and realities. Many of its enemies have reaped enormous profits over the years, as well as manipulated Western governments and their populations through their vast oil and natural gas holdings. Profits from oil sales and leases, as well as the pressure that oil-producing nations exert in the international arena, have left Israel isolated internationally with few allies.

This has been the story since Israel's birth. (We should never fail to marvel over not only how much Israel has achieved, but how it has done so with literally one hand tied behind its back.) Control of energy resources equals real power, and Israel currently is forced to import more than 95 percent of its energy.

Following the 1973 Yom Kippur War, Israel developed a modest energy sector, yet returned those oil-producing areas to Egypt as a result of the withdrawal from Sinai under the Camp David Accords of 1979 that paved the way for diplomatic relations and a peace treaty. A pipeline through which Egypt now exports oil to Israel — also guaranteed by the Camp David Accords — has been attacked and disrupted numerous times since the Mubarak government fell last year. And given the incendiary rhetoric of the two Islamic parties that captured 75 percent of the vote in Egyptian parliamentary elections held in the beginning of December, who can predict how secure the terms of that treaty will be or the guarantee of the oil exports upon which Israel depends.

Yet an amazing series of discoveries that have been reported intermittently over the past several months, vet have received scant attention in the Jewish media, have the potential to change Israel's precarious energy sector and potentially lift Israel not only into the position of supplying its own domestic energy needs, but also transforming it into a natural gasand oil-exporting nation.

The Oil and Gas Journal, a U.S. industrial sector publication, recently issued a report saying that in the eastern Mediterranean — and within Israel's territorial water — Israel's proven gas reserves amount to 300 BCM, or billion cubic meters, with a potential for as much as 1,000 BCM. That rivals some of the largest natural gas reserves in the United States.

This area also contains large reserves of crude oil. Just as Israel's high-tech industry and exports have advanced its economy for the past 15 years, these amazing discoveries of natural gas and oil have the potential to be an even greater component of Israel's emerging economic strength. By supplying its own energy needs, perhaps by as early as 2025, Israel could retain much of the currency it spends on oil imports and use the money instead to lower taxes, invest in education and infrastructure, improve social services and dramatically advance the lot of the nation's poor. Energy independence could help Israel improve relations with the developing world as well as superpowers such as China, India and Russia, and raise Israel's international standing. The possibilities are endless and, if managed well, could be a real game changer.

These energy discoveries, exciting and potentially transformative as they may be, are not without their dangers. Already Lebanon (meaning Hezbollah, which simultaneously means Iran) is contesting Israeli claims to these offshore reserves. And Israel's cooperation with Cyprus and Greece in energy research and development efforts in these areas has complicated its already frayed diplomatic relations

with Turkey, which you may recall has a long and complicated history of interference in those nations. Indeed, to demonstrate concern over Turkey's possible interference in this area, Russia recently sent an aircraft carrier to the region for "maneuvers" in a clear signal to Turkey to stay out of this. Israel and Turkey recently traded their own public barbs over this issue. And the U.S. government is working closely with Israel and

our other allies in the region to prevent a military confrontation over these precious resources.

Despite the risks and dangers, the discoveries have the potential to provide the greatest economic windfalls ever for the State of Israel; they are truly of historic importance. May Israel soon realize the benefits of these resources and use them wisely to build an even more prosperous, secure and just society.



Light Sabbath Candles



Friday, January 6	4:24 PM
Friday, January 13	4:31 PM
Friday, January 20	4:39 PM
Friday, January 27	

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SABBATH SERVICES Saturday, January 149:00 a.m EGALITARIAN SERVICE IN MAIN SANCTUARY TRADITIONAL SERVICE IN BODEEN CHAPEL TORAH READING: Shemot
KIDDUSH HOST: JCCP JUNIOR CONGREGATION 10:00 a.m. TOT SHABBAT 10:15 p.m. MINCHA 4:35 p.m.
FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES
Friday, January 208:30 p.m. ONEG HOSTS: JCCP
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of Stanley's 103rd Birthday
JUNIOR CONGREGATION
TOT SHABBAT
FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES Friday, January 278:30 p.m. ONEG HOST: Cathy & Shahan Ahdout in honor of Evan's Bar Mitzvah
SABBATH SERVICES Saturday, January 289:00 a.m.

TORAH READING: Bo

KIDDUSH HOST: Cathy & Shahan Ahdout in honor

of Evan's Bar Mitzvah

JUNIOR CONGREGATION10:00 a.m.

TOT SHABBAT......10:15 a.m.

MINCHA & MA'ARIV......4:50 p.m.

President's Message



Russell Rothman

We are always looking for ways to make our synagogue a better place. Your Board of Trustees often meets late into the night making sure every dollar is spent well and not wasted, and that we continue to offer instructive, inspirational and enjoyable programs that will draw our membership out of their homes and join together in the synagogue. Last month we hosted an Art Auction operated by the experienced Marlin Fine Arts company. The cost was a modest \$10 per person to allow everyone the opportunity to participate and enjoy a fun night out with fellow congregants and friends. We ended up with a nice turnout of more than 100 people, mostly members but also some unaffiliated friends of members.

One new development that we have been talking about since September is our participation in the Kehillah Y program, where our synagogue is offering membership to the Washington Township YJCC for only \$360 — a savings of more than \$1,200 for full family membership. Your leadership fought hard to participate in this pilot program and we are urging all of you to consider supporting it by joining. Details have been mailed to members and have been included in the Bulletin, as well as on the website.

The procedure to participate is simple: Any JCCP member in good standing need only bring a check for \$360 to the office for Joe Herrmann, our executive director, and later go to the Y to fill out a membership form. It couldn't be any more painless or simple.

Another new effort is our affiliation programs with Amazon and the Jewish National Fund. These are nobrainers; anyone who buys ANY-THING from Amazon should be participating. The only effort one needs to expend is two clicks on your computer — the first to access our website, www.jccparamus.org, and the second to click onto the "Donate Now" button to access the Amazon or JNF links. We have a golden opportunity to earn significant dollars at no additional expense to you. Once online, buy to your heart's content. Depending on the category, Amazon will pay us various percentages on any purchase initiated from our website. That goes for ANYONE who first connects to Amazon from our link: your children, your cousins, friends, co-workers, aunts, uncles, etc.

Please encourage anyone and everyone who uses Amazon to use our link. IT DOES NOT COST THEM ONE EXTRA NICKEL! This program has the potential to generate a lot of extra income for our synagogue, so please help us spread the word. I'm sure most of you are like me and welcome any opportunity to get free money for the synagogue!

The JNF link works in a similar manner. For every donation made, JNF will pay the JCCP 20 percent of your gift. An additional 5 percent will be donated back to USCJ. Please take some time to explore the JNF site, as you can do more than just buy trees in honor or memory of a loved one or donate to one of the many conservation projects initiated by JNF in Israel.

In this time of financial austerity, we have a number of opportunities to help ourselves while also contributing to Tikkun Olam, healing the world. Together, we can make a stronger Jewish community, as well as a stronger and healthier Jewish Community Center of Paramus.



Early Childhood Center News



Judith S. Fox

The weekly celebration of Shabbat is a beloved event in our classrooms. Kabbalat Shabbat — welcoming Shabbat — is one of those rituals with all the elements that appeal to young children. Kindling white candles, blessing and drinking deep purple grape juice and biting into soft sweet challah combine to make the weekly observance of Shabbat a delight for our youngsters. Even the youngest children in our program have a sense that the Hebrew blessings they chant have special meaning and are something that we do because we are Jewish.

A sense of Shabbat begins in our classrooms on Friday mornings as children clean up from the morning's activities. The tone of clean-up time is different than on the other days of the week. On Monday through Thursday, the children are just cleaning up, but on Friday they're "getting ready for Shabbat."

Story time is different, too. Usually in our older classes, a visiting parent — a Shabbat guest — reads a story to the class. Then the children gather at the table for Shabbat. With their teachers, they sing some introductory songs and get ready to move into the ritual.

"What comes first?" I'll ask if I'm there, integrating the developmental skills of ordinal progression and sequencing into the experience at hand. "What comes next? What comes last?" The children love the weekly unfolding of the ritual. Later in the morning, more Shabbat songs are sung at music time. Do you know the song about the dog who says "Shabbat Shalom" or the one about "My Shabbat Shalom Bag?"

Shabbat is a home observance, and through it we attempt to bridge the gap for children between home and school. The parent Shabbat guest is one way we do this. Another is the "Shabbat Box." Every week, one child in the Threes and another in the Pre-K get to take home a Shabbat box to share with their families. It's a do-it-at-home kit with everything you need for a Friday night. Candlesticks, drip cups and fresh candles; a real silver kiddush cup; a challah cover; a book of index cards with the blessings and some songs are all in the Shabbat box, ready for the family to use.

One more item makes the box extra special — a book called "The Shabbat Box," about a child who has a turn to take home a box like this. We love hearing from parents and children that they used the Shabbat box; some have begun to observe Kabbalat Shabbat in their homes after using our Shabbat box. One class has created a "Shabbat book" about their Friday classroom activities, and this, too, goes home with a different child each week.

In December, we had a very special Shabbat guest for several weeks — Hal the Mitzvah Husky. Hal is one of many stuffed animals traveling all over America to USCJ early childhood centers. In each locale (he came to us from Texas, and we just sent him on to a school in Queens), Hal "participates" with the children in various activities; the journal that accompanied him shows pictures of him in a sukkah in Virginia and making Havdalah in Texas. Hal was a special guest at all our December Shabbat celebrations and. of course, on Chanukah.

Another way we celebrate Shabbat as an Early Childhood Center community is with our annual gala ECC Shabbat service. Led by Rabbi Weiner in our sanctuary, it is a wonderful opportunity for our families to get together. Teachers offer a story in a creative way, the children present songs and everyone has a good time. I invite the entire JCCP community to join us on Jan. 27 at 7 p.m. for this delightful event. Shabbat Shalom!

DORA AND SIDNEY MILLER EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

ANNUAL ECC SHABBAT

will take place on Friday, January 27, at 7 p.m.

Join us and experience Shabbat through the eyes of a preschooler!

For more information, call Judy at (201) 967-1334

Registration is open for the

DORA AND SIDNEY MILLER EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

Tuition has been held at last year's rates, with even deeper discounts for early enrollment and referring friends. JCCP members receive priority.

Please call Judy at 201-967-1334 or e-mail her at eccdirector@jccparamus.org for information and to request an application.



Hebrew School News



Marcia Kagedan

Shalom! December was certainly packed with excitement.

- · Our first School on Shabbat of the year was enjoyed by so many of the Hebrew school kids. More than 50 of our students were in synagogue and enjoyed the service, games, stories and activities. And the lunch prepared by APT was delicious.
- · Amit Shuker, a veteran of the Israel Defense Forces, spoke with the children about the Israeli army and put them through a few "drills" and an obstacle course. The kids were amazing!
- Our Havdalah-Talent Show event went off fabulously. Our kids truly are very talented and they enjoyed the positive energy in the audi-
- · Many of you are now the grateful recipients of gifts the kids pur-

chased at the APT Chanukah boutique. Nothing beats watching the kids make decisions on what to buy for family members.

• The JCCP Chanukah breakfast was a hit, and the rooftop JCCP event was deliciously entertaining!

And now we are starting 2012. Here is what's in store in January:

- Sunday, Jan. 8: 6th grade at Kehillah program at the Y.
- Sunday, Jan. 15: 6th- and 7th-grade tefillin workshop with parents and Rabbi Weiner
- Friday, Jan. 20: Hebrew School Shabbat dinner and service
- · Saturday, Jan. 21: School on Shabbat at 10:15 a.m.
- · Sunday, Jan. 22: 6th grade at Kehillah program at the Y.

Candle Club, 9:45-11:15 a.m.

SNOW-RELATED SCHOOL CLOSING:

If Paramus schools are closed on a Tuesday or cancel afterschool activities, we also are closed. If there is inclement weather on a Sunday, a decision to close will be sent by e-mail and class parents will endeavor to also make calls. If in doubt, call the Hebrew School office for information.



Fourth-graders from Morah Beth's class showing off their Chanukah decorations before they were displayed on the classroom bulletin board.

Chaverim News

What a great few months it has been for our 3rd-, 4th- and 5th-grade youth groups.

At the JCCP we had a Sports Gym night, Movie and Pizza night, Chanukah festivities and a Parent/Child gym night. It was a pleasure watching parents spending quality time with their children. We also had two outside events: a bowling outing and a fun-filled outing to Mele Park.

The weather has turned cold, but our Chaverim Youth group is hotter than ever. The winter months will continue the fun times!!

As usual, flyers with all the specifics are always either handed out in Hebrew school class or mailed home. Parents, it is never too late to have your child join us!

Fred Weissman

The Jan Lauren Schonberg Library

Hours: Mon. 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Tues. 2:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Wed. 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. 9:00 a.m. - noon



Come Join Young Jewish Families for



LUNCH, MEZZUZOT & MOVIE

Sunday, January 22, 2012 Beginning at 11:30 AM



Students who end Hebrew school at 11:30, come at 11:30; students who end at 12:30, come at 12:30. There will be plenty of food!

Cost: \$6 per adult; \$4 per child; 3 & under are free.

Please RSVP by January 13

For more information or questions, please do not hesitate to contact Elana and Eugene Heitlinger at 201-229-0446 or elana18h@hotmail.com











Please send check and form to JCCP/YJF – 1/22; E 304 Midland Ave., Paramus, NJ 07652

Name:			
Telephone:		_ E-mail:	
# Adults:	# Children 4-13:	# Children under 3:	
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Sponsor a YJF Friday night program for birthdays, anniversaries, even good report cards. Please remember the YJF Toy Drive. See below for details.

Check out all of the upcoming exciting events for this month ... Hope to see you soon!

SHABBAT FAMILY SERVICE AND PROGRAM Friday, Jan. 6 and Feb. 3, at 7:30 p.m.

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

If you would like to **sponsor the oneg**, please contact us: \$18 for a birthday cake; \$18 for other snacks.

BAGEL & SCHMOOZE AND YJF GENERAL MEETING Sunday, Jan. 22 and Feb. 12, at 9:30 a.m.

Have a cup of coffee, grab a nosh, chat with friends and other parents, and learn about what's going on and upcoming events.

LUNCH & MOVIE & MEZUZOT

Sunday, Jan. 22, beginning at 11:30 a.m.

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

Eat lunch, make a mezuzah and watch a movie — "RACING STRIPES." \$6 per adult; \$4 per child 4-13; under 4 is free. See flier and website for details.

LUNCH & SOMETHING!! Sunday, Feb. 5

Watch the website soon for the event details.

TOY DRIVE

YJF is holding a Toy Drive. The toys and games will be used for Young Jewish Families events, the Friday night Family Services, Shabbat and holiday children's services, and any time we need to entertain children. We will accept new or used toys or games (in nearly perfect condition containing all parts), or Chai donations of \$18. Toys or games for children ages 6 months to 13 years. Games need to be "Shabbat Friendly". Checkers, chess, dominoes, trivial pursuit, trains, cars, dolls, cards — any non-electronic games and toys would be appreciated. Please bring to JCCP office and let them know who the donor is and that this is for the YJF Toy Drive.

EVERYONE IS **W**ELCOME

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please visit us at www.jccparamus.org, or contact us at elana18h@hotmail.com.

Thank you.

Eugene and Elana Heitlinger

USY News

December was another exciting month for Paramus USY. We had an incredible joint event with Kadima — Chanukah Chocolate Making! USYers had a great time creating personalized candy bars and a chocolate chanukiyah. Later in the month, several of our USYers attended the Hagalil Regional Membership Dance.

Looking forward to January, we will have two events in addition to the Regional SA/TO Dance — Kindergarten Night and Snow Tubing. Details to follow.

Adult Education 2010-2011 (5771)

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

The Adult Education Committee is discussing the 2012–13 programming year. With the success of our trip to the Philadelphia National Jewish Museum, we're thinking about another trip. Please don't hesitate to contact us with your ideas.

Something new: Check out the new **Listen and Learn** section on the JCCP website, accessible from any page by scrolling down the right-hand column to New Features and clicking on

This winter, Rabbi Weiner will teach his annual Jewish history class. It is the 16th year we have studied history with the rabbi, and his class is always one of the highlights of our Adult Education calendar. The class, titled History of the Jews in the Ottoman Empire, will begin Jan. 25 and meet for six Wednesdays, at 3 p.m. and 8:15 p.m.

Again this winter, Cantor Weiss will be presenting an interactive close examination of a few Hebrew prayers. Penetrating Our Hebrew Prayers is a very slow-paced course that can be followed easily regardless of your Hebrew reading skills. Compare various English translations, including our JCCP Transliterated Siddur, and gain insights into the very special language of Hebrew prayer. Discussions are interesting and lively, and you are invited to join the conversation. We will meet five Tuesdays at 8:15 p.m. beginning on Feb. 7. No charge; no commitment; come to as many or as few sessions as you want.

There will be a meeting of the **JCCP Book Club** on Sunday, Feb. 26, at 10 a.m. The book is "In the Garden of Beasts" by Erik Larson; our facilitator is Stu Lehrer.

This spring, **Stu Lehrer** will teach a class titled **Fundamentals** of Judaism: from Aaron to Zachor. Each week Stu will feature an aspect of Yiddishkeit to be studied in a new way. The emphasis is not just on learning but FUN. Dates and time to be announced.

Please join us for these ongoing classes and meetings:

- Drosh and Nosh Wednesdays, 7:30-8 p.m. An opportunity to study the week's Torah portion with fellow congregants; taught by a different person each week. We welcome you to come and see what it's all about.
- Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow Mondays, 1:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join these lively and popular weekly discussions led by Al Nahum.
- Hebrew Reading most Sundays, 9:45-10:30 a.m. It's never too late to learn to read Hebrew. This class for beginners is taught by **Judy Fox**. A \$10 charge for the textbook is the only cost.

For more information or to let us know your interests, please call Mark Topel, committee chair, at (201) 967-9179 or e-mail, marktopel@verizon.net. We welcome and need your input.

THE JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF PARAMUS

January 2012 6 Tevet 5772 - 7 Shevat 5772

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Sisterhood News

Chazak Chazak V'neet'cha'zake

During the month of Tevet, we will conclude the reading of Beresheet. With this in mind, Sisterhood will be presenting classes that will exercise both the mind and body during 2012.

So please check the JCCP website and Sisterhood e-mails for upcoming information on yoga, game night, health-care programs and our participation in Shabat Shabbat services.

Our first event of the new year:

Monday, Jan. 9, at 7 p.m. SUGAR BLUES WORKSHOP

Instructor: Linda Chagachbanian, Holistic Health Coach/ **Certified Personal Trainer**

Do you crave sweets and it's getting the best of you? Do you have low energy in the middle of the day? If so, this workshop will be a turning point in your life. The class will help you understand your sugar cravings, and you will receive practical tools for dealing with them.

Please be sure to complete your Sisterhood Special Interest survey to enable us to accommodate your needs and interests

Be Strong, Be Strong, and Let Us Strengthen Each Other!

A vibrant, meaningful and healthy 2012 to all of you!

Ruth Smith & Eve Lehrer Co-Presidents

Men's Club News

Happy New Year to everyone.

December was a busy time for the Men's Club. In addition to our monthly card night, the Men's Club and Sisterhood hosted the annual Chanukah breakfast on Dec. 18. Two days later the Men's Club hosted a dinner for the entire congregation to celebrate the first night of Chanukah. Both events were well attended and we thank everyone for coming.

We will not be having a card night in January but will resume in February. We will be sending out a flyer to see if there is interest in having games other than poker available.

Just another reminder that since we are not charging any dues this year, the Men's Club really wants input from everyone about what you want the Men's Club to do for you. It could be a suggestion about a social event or a fund-raiser, or anything else you would like us to do. Let us know your thoughts.

Until next time.

Jerry Menter and Joe Esrig Co-Presidents

> THE DEADLINE FOR THE **NEXT BULLETIN IS JAN. 7!**

'Listen and Learn'

New feature on the JCCP website

Scrolling down the right-hand column of every page on the JCCP website, you will find a link to "Listen and **Learn**." The link will take you to a page of sound files and PDF sheets created by Cantor Sam Weiss to help in reading or chanting parts of the service. Currently there are the Torah aliyah blessings and the complete aliyah procedure, as well as the Ashrei prayer. We will be expanding the contents of this page and we hope that you will take the time to Listen and Learn.

Community Affairs

Every Day is Mitzvah Day

Our Fran Leib Memorial Fall Turkey and Fixings Drive took place on Wednesday, Nov. 16. We collected 60 turkeys, 73 bags of food to supplement the Thanksgiving meals, about 40 cartons of fresh fruit and vegetables, and monetary gifts of approximately \$475. These donations were very much appreciated by the Center for Food Action in Mahwah. JCCP members also adopted 21 families from Paramus and provided them with the makings of full Thanksgiving dinners. As Dan Leib said, "Fran would be kvelling at the generosity of our members."

Our synagogue is well known for its efforts in feeding the hungry of Bergen County. Please continue to bring in items of non-perishable food for our lobby collection box. Our continued thanks to Marty Cohen, who periodically delivers these donations to the Center for Food Action Warehouse in Saddle Brook.

In December we made up 25 Chanukah gift bags to be donated to Jewish residents of the Bergen Regional Medical Center. Thank you to Laura Menter, who coordinated and hosted this project, which is something we have been doing for many years. Thanks to Rhoda Fried, Merle Harris, Helen Hutmacher, Suzie Julis, Millie Lerman and Joy Sapin, who did the work of assembling the bags at Laura's home.

For those who love to knit and crochet, we are continuing to hold our knitting bees. Our finished items are sent to the Tikvah Orphanage in Odessa, Russia. Elaine Cohen reports that we have lots of yarn for you to work with. We'll even pick up your work! We usually meet on the last Monday of the month, but we encourage you to knit on your own if you don't have time to come to our knitting bees. 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. If you would like to volunteer to drive, please call Eileen.

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Fred Harris

Drawing March 7, 2012



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January 7-13

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January 14-20

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January 21-27

Barbara Merker Judith Obolsky Allan Teplitzky Dr. Leonard Blackman Dr. Joseph Brandes Melitta Lorsch Karen Blick Shahan Ahdout Jennie Freilich Andrew Kestenbaum

January 28-31

Gilda Botwinick Carin Cooperman Harold Lerman Alan Breda Sandra Feinberg JoAnne Lehner Rose Rosett Stan Gershengoren



January 1-6

Lev & Sofya Korinets Arnold & Claudia Rubenstein

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January 7-13

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January 14-20

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January 21-27

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Merle & Fred Harris

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

> Phyllis and Ken Glatzer Helen and Gary Hutmacher

in recognition of their years of dedication to our congregation.

Sunday, June 10, 2012 ... 5:00 pm





JCCP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

November 17, 2011

Executive Director Joe Herrmann reported that our membership count is at 429. Joe is encouraging everyone to take advantage of the Kehillah Partnership program where members can join the Washington Township Y for annual dues of \$360.

Repairs for the sign on Midland Avenue are under way. The Board approved funds to hire a company to clear hanging branches and trees, which were a result of the storm.

Treasurer Paul Auerbach has been reviewing the accounts receivable process and a proposal is in the works.

Alan Breda is our new Membership Committee chairperson, and he will co-chair with Jeff Braun. They presented an idea to create a Young Singles Club within the membership committee. The board unanimously supported this program. Alan reported that he submitted paperwork for a \$4,000 grant through United Synagogue for this effort.

Roz Gerard reported that our congregation went above and beyond with food collections. The Turkey Drive generated 60 turkeys, 73 bags of groceries, 20 cases of produce, \$328 in cash and \$95 in gift cards. We adopted 21 families in Paramus through the Paramus Department of Human Services. For Chanukah, we will be making gift bags for patients at Bergen Regional.

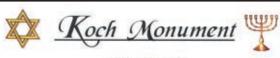
Joe Esrig announced that Men's Club will be hosting its annual Spaghetti Dinner in conjunction with the rooftop candle lighting ceremony on Dec. 20. The program will start at 5:30 with dinner, followed by rooftop candle lighting and then dessert and regular candle lighting.

Mimi Levin reported that the ECC will offer an incentive to anyone who is already enrolled: If they bring in someone new, they will get one month of free tuition. In addition, anyone who enrolls by Feb. 1 will be entered into a raffle to win an iPad.

Ruth Smith said that anyone needing a ride to Sisterhood meetings should let her know.

Sandy Alpern reported that Adult Ed had a fabulous trip to the Jewish Museum in Philadelphia. Adult Ed classes are continuing.

Mimi Levin announced that the next Book Club meeting is on Dec. 5 and the book is "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet." Beth Chananie will be the facilitator; supper will be served at a cost of \$10 per person.



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