



#### Coming in May & June

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YJF Services

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**May 12** 

Youth Dual Services

May 26

Shavuot

**May 27** 

Yizkor Annual Shavuot Luncheon

JUNE 3

Israel Day Parade

JUNE 10

Dinner Dance





Saturday, May 26, at 9:15 p.m.

SHAVUOT TORAH TEACH-IN

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Shavuot is called "the time of the giving of the Torah." Shavuot evening has always been dedicated to the study of the Torah and other great works of the Jewish tradition, such as the Mishnah, the Gemara, the Midrash, and other religious literature. This tradition of study in honor of Shavuot is referred to as TIKKUN LEL SHAVUOT.

On the first night of Shavuot, Jews throughout the world gather and study Torah together from night until the early morning hours. From 9:15 p.m. until (at least) midnight we will sit together, enjoy Yom Tov delicacies, and study Torah with Rabbi Weiner.

Come and enjoy this inspiring, lively evening of Torah study. It will be an exciting, enriching event for all.

## CONGREGATIONAL LUNCHEON TO FOLLOW SHAVUOT SERVICES — SUNDAY, MAY 27

It is a time-honored tradition to celebrate Shavuot with a festive dairy meal. Join us for our **Annual Shavuot Luncheon** following our services on the first day of Shavuot — **Sunday, May 27th**.

We look forward to seeing you there.

### SHAVUOT SERVICE SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 26, 2012	Erev Shavuot
Mincha	8:00 p.m.
Maariv	9:00 p.m.
Tikkun Lel Shavuot Study Session	9:15 p.m.
Sunday, May 27, 2012	First Day of Shavuot
Shacharit	9:00 a.m.
Shavuot Luncheon following services	
Mincha and Maariv	8:00 p.m.
Monday, May 28, 2012	Second Day of Shavuot
Shacharit	9:00 a.m.
Yizkor will be observed	
Mincha and Maariv	8:00 p.m.



## From the Rabbi



Rabbi Arthur D. Weiner

The Public Religion Research Institute recently released Chosen for What? Jewish Values in 2012, an important study of the voting patterns and political leanings of the American Jewish community, as well as the influence of distinctive Jewish values on their political decision-making. This fascinating study is sure to be of great interest to sociologists, historians and others who engage in the exploration of such subjects, as well as rabbis, teachers, communal leaders and all those who want to better understand the choices made by American Jews.

The study, which I have been reading with great interest, has confirmed some of my observations of the Jewish community based on my years of service while providing a new perspective on other issues that I had never really considered in the past. I have no doubt that in the months to come there will be much reflection on its data, as well as many voices who will attempt to interpret its meaning. (I also anticipate several sermons, but that is for another time.)

So what are some of insights revealed by the study? Among some of the more significant conclusions:

• At least 8 in 10 American Jews say that pursuing justice (84%) and caring for the widow and the orphan (80%) are somewhat or very important values that inform their political beliefs and activity.

- More than 8 in 10 Jews say that the experiences of the Holocaust (87%) and having opportunities for economic success in America (85%) are somewhat or very important for informing their political beliefs and activity.
- Eight months before the 2012 election, 62% of Jewish voters say they would like to see President Obama re-elected — more than twice the number who say they would prefer that a Republican victory (30%).
- · Support for President Obama among Jewish voters is significantly higher than the general population and nearly identical to levels of support for Obama among Jewish registered voters at a comparable point in the 2008 campaign.
- Among Jewish voters who prefer that a Republican candidate win the 2012 election, Mitt Romney has the greatest support (58%), followed by Rick Santorum (15%), Newt Gingrich (13%) and Ron Paul (12%).
- Among Jewish voters who say they supported Barack Obama in 2008, an overwhelming majority (86%) say they would like to see the president re-elected; only 7% of Jewish voters who supported Obama in 2008 say they would prefer to see a Republican candidate win in November.
- Jewish voters who supported John McCain in 2008 demonstrate similar loyalty in their voting preferences, with 92% reporting that they would prefer that a Republican candidate win the election.
- A majority (54%) of American Jews say that relations between Israel and the U.S. are about the same as they have been in the past, while 7% say they are better and 37% say they are worse.

When compared with the American public at large, American Jews are:

- More likely to view President Obama favorably (61% to 52%).
- · Less likely to believe that the "American dream" still holds true (37% to 44%).
- · More likely to support raising taxes on those earning more than \$1 million per year (58% to 43%), as well as more likely to disagree that people have become too dependent on government assistance programs (45% to 22%).
- · Slightly more likely to support American military action to prevent Iran's nuclear weapons program (59% to 50%).
- · Significantly more likely to support abortion rights (93% to 44%) and gay marriage (81% to 44%).

From my point of view as a rabbi who is committed to the teaching and practice of Jewish beliefs and

observances, the study also contained some great disappointments. According to the study, when compared with the American public at large, American Jews

- · Less likely than the national average to view religion as important (59% to 80%).
- Four times less likely to view Judaism as the most important thing in their lives.
- Three times more likely to deny the existence of God.

"Chosen for What? Jewish Values in 2012" paints a complex portrait of the American Jewish community. But it challenges us: How does our Judaism influence the choices we make and our hopes for this great nation?

The study can be accessed at: http://publicreligion.org/ research/2012/04/jewish-valuesin-2012/

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# Services

#### FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES Friday, May 4 ......8:30 p.m. Young Jewish Families......7:30 p.m. ONEG HOST: Julie & Howard Leopold in honor of Jordan's Bar Mitzvah

#### **SABBATH SERVICES**

Saturday, May 5.....9:00 a.m. TORAH READING: Acharei Mot - Kedoshim KIDDUSH HOST: Julie & Howard Leopold in honor

of Jordan's Bar Mitzvah

JUNIOR CONGREGATION ...... 10:00 a.m. 

#### FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Friday, May 11 ......8:30 p.m. ONEG HOST: JCCP

#### **SABBATH SERVICES**

Saturday, May 12 ......9:00 a.m.

TORAH READING: Emor

KIDDUSH HOST: The Youth Committee along

with the JCCP

EGALITARIAN SERVICE IN THE SANCTUARY TRADITIONAL SERVICE IN BODEEN CHAPEL

JUNIOR CONGREGATION ......10:00 a.m. CLUB SHABBAT ...... 10:30 a.m. MINCHA & MA'ARIV.......7:45 p.m.

#### FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Friday, May 18......8:30 p.m.

ONEG HOST: JCCP

#### SABBATH SERVICES

Saturday, May 19 ......9:00 a.m. TORAH READING: Behar-Bechukosai

KIDDUSH HOST: JCCP

JUNIOR CONGREGATION ......10:00 a.m. MINCHA & MA'ARIV.......7:50 p.m.

#### FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Friday, May 25 ...... 8:30 p.m. ONEG HOST: JCCP

#### **SABBATH SERVICES**

Saturday, May 26 ......9:00 a.m.

TORAH READING: Bemidbar KIDDUSH HOSTS: JCCP

JUNIOR CONGREGATION ......10:00 a.m.

MINCHA & MA'ARIV......8:00 p.m.

## **President's Message**



**Russell Rothman** 

At the end of March, my family traveled to Paris to meet the family of my daughter's fiance's and to celebrate their upcoming wedding with a traditional Sephardic engagement party. This happened to coincide with the tragic events in Toulouse. At the end of Friday night Shabbat services, the father of the bride was asked to address the congregation, and after an awkward attempt to do so in French, I reverted to my native tongue (ably translated by their rabbi) and discussed what our two communities had in common.

Anti-Semitism affects us all, whether we live in Chicago, New York, Paramus, Paris or Big Fork, Mlnn. (more on that later). Later, at the oneg, I met with the deputy mayor of this Paramus-sized suburb of Paris, who was a member of the synagogue of my future son-in-law's family. I told him that our synagogue had recently been a target of anti-Semitic arsonists and how close we came to suffering serious damage. He expressed surprise that something like this could happen these days so close to New York City. Later, as we left the synagogue, he warned us not to stand and hang around outside the building wearing our kipot for fear of bringing attention to the location and presenting a larger target for any possible terrorist attack.

This reminded me of my first real encounter with anti-Semitism. Growing up in Teaneck, I was somewhat insulated from hostility, surrounded by a sizable Jewish population. However, during college, I found myself living in Big Fork for a semester, a small town near the Canadian border, where I was studying wolf biology. Big Fork reminded me of a frontier town, with a gas station, plenty of taverns and fishing lodges, where moose and beaver were a more common sight than gray squirrels.

The couple I rented my small cabin from originally were from Chicago and were kind, hospitable people. In December, I received a care package from the JCC of Teaneck containing a menorah and Chanukah candles. When I went to pick up my mail at the lodge/tavern, they collectively handed me the package and looked at me part quizzically and part suspiciously (OK, it WAS during my long-haired college phase, but they accepted that. They already thought I was screwy living up there chasing after wolves.) They simply asked me, "You a Jew?" When I said yes, the husband came up to me and began rubbing my head, looking for my horns (hidden by my long hair?). I kid you not. He expected to see Michelangelo-style horns or at least stumps where I may have had them removed. After that, my close relationship with them was changed. I was no longer the crazy kid from Jersey following wolves; now I was simply the Jew. Conversations changed. Whispering became more commonplace when I came in to order dinner several times a week. Although by appearances my jeans, work shirt, and boots resembled theirs, I suddenly stuck out like a sore thumb after that early December day.

Anti-Semitism thrives on ignorance. It is fuel for the fires of hatred and bigotry of all types. We can never assume that we have outgrown or overcome religious intolerance just because we're in the 21st century  $and \, seemingly \, have \, moved \, far \, from \,$ the '60s. Parents and teachers need to stay vigilant and teach about intolerance in all its forms, whether it is about bullying, religion, gender preference, etc. We need to teach and remind our children that intolerance can begin very innocently in the schoolyard, classroom, or in a fishing lodge in northern Minnesota, and should be condemned and fought wherever and whenever it may appear.







## ISRAEL DAY PARADE

Bus will leave from and return to JCCP

For more details and registration, contact Marcia Kagedan @ 201-262-7733 or edudirector@jccparamus.org

## JCCP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

March 15, 2012

Joe Herrmann reported that the membership count remains at 428.

Russell Rothman reported that Jack Bauer will be chairing our security committee, which consists of Lloyd Hyman, Gus Baumzweig and Joe Herrmann. We are working on getting grant money to help defray our security costs.

Esther Marks reported that the ShopRite scrip program is going well. It was suggested to purchase cards to donate to the food banks. Esther announced that Fairway scrip cards will also be available starting next week.

The Men's Club will be hosting a breakfast on March 25, at which Rabbi Weiner will go over Passover preparations.

On Wednesday, April 18, we will have a Yom Hashoah program at the JCCP.

For Community Affairs, Roz Gerard reported that this Sunday is the walk-in dinner program, where we will feed 150 people. This Wednesday is the Fran Leib Memorial Turkey Drive, and we need food and monetary donations.

Alan Jay thanked the Dadons and an anonymous donor for their donations to pay for live music at the Purim celebration. The Religious Committee is diligently working on the High Holidays. Rabbi Weiner has copies of the new Machzor for anyone who wants to evaluate it.

Gershon Rosenzweig announced that on March 24 at 8:30 p.m., the Israeli Film and Cultural Festival will be showing "Mabul" (The Flood) at the JCCP.

Ruth Smith announced that Sisterhood is hosting a free Zumba class this Sunday for women only. On May 6, there is a breakfast at which our guest speaker will discuss Estate Planning.

Mimi Levin thanked everyone for helping at the Purim Carnival.

Fred Harris announced that we exceeded our budget for the raffle and made \$10,000.



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This Saturday, or any Saturday, join us for services



or

## JUST JOIN US FOR KIDDUSH!



A little tuna or egg salad, maybe a piece of herring? Schmooze with your friends or meet new ones. Unwind from a hectic week. How's that for a Shabbat experience?

The Shabbat Experience offers several options for you to choose:

- Come to services and go home for lunch
- Come to services and join us for Kiddush
- JUST JOIN US FOR KIDDUSH!



Services usually end around 11:45

Join us for Adon Olam or

## JUST JOIN US FOR KIDDUSH!

We look forward to seeing you

Shabbat Shalom, Rabbi Weiner, Cantor Weiss The Religious Committee

## **Early Childhood Center News**



Judith S. Fox

A misty March morning ... three early childhood classes ... a truck ... some cans of food ...and a lot of disgusting litter...

What a recipe for a spectacular learning experience!

We had made plans to participate in the JCCP's Pesach food drive by asking each child bring some food to donate, and then to walk from the ECC to the parking lot to place food in the truck from the Center for Food Action. This is a great example of a hands-on (and feet-on) learning experience, well integrated into our Judaic curriculum and the concept of tzedakah. This was actually the third time we tried to do this; twice previously it had rained, and Jimmie, the truck driver, had kindly driven over to the ECC.

As it happened, a few days earlier, a visit with our Nature specialist had devolved into a lesson on "what belongs in Nature" and what doesn't, and the children had picked up a lot of litter around the ECC.

The morning of the food drive it was foggy and drizzly, but we decided to brave the weather and take the walk. Each child carried a can, box, or bag of food to donate. We could see the truck and the people waiting for us in the parking lot, and we waved to them as we walked. Some of the teachers and children sang a song about marching out of Egypt as they walked. On the way, we noticed that there was quite a bit of litter on the grass and in the stream.

In the parking lot, members of the JCCP Community Affairs Committee welcomed the children and, with Jimmie, helped them place their donations in the truck. The teachers, committee members, and I reminded the children that hungry people would be able to eat because WE had brought food.

Walking back, I asked the Pre-K and Threes children to each pick up a piece of trash or two and put it in my bag, removing things that don't belong in Nature. (They washed their hands well when they got back to school!) Two 5-year-olds and I lingered on the bridge looking at the well-littered stream and discussing what we would remove — if we could only get down there! (For anyone who would like to clear the stream near the south side of Midland Avenue, there were Coke cans, empty cups, and assorted paper plates, plastic bags, and more! Bring waders, gloves and a garbage bag!)

As the children filtered into the ECC building, I again made a general remark that people who did not have enough to eat would be able to eat what we had brought. One little boy remarked, "But Morah Judy, the people won't know that the food is from us!"

"You're right, they won't," I replied, "but what matters is that they will have food to eat."

Of course, the concept is beyond this 3-year-old, but he had just tapped into Maimonides' ladder of tzedakah, with its eight levels of

True tzedakah — cleaning the environment, making the Community Affairs people very happy, and walking together in the clearing morning air — I cannot think of a better way for the ECC to spend half an hour!

## THE DORA AND SIDNEY MILLER EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

is looking for a few good teenagers to serve as counselors at our

## SUMMER CAMP

~ fun ~ energizing ~ great experience & camaraderie

Please contact Judy at 201-967-1334 or eccdirector@jccparamus.org

Registration continues for the

DORA AND SIDNEY MILLER EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER **७**८ 2012-2013 ८**०** 

Tuition has been held at last year's rates. Enrollment incentives are available. JCCP members receive priority.

Registration is also open for SUMMER 2012

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

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK! The Dora and Sidney Miller Early Childhood Center is now on Facebook. View our photos, read about our school, and LIKE US!

Go to: http://www.facebook.com/pages/Dora-Sidney-Miller-Early-Childhood-Center/252913201424572?sk=info



## **Hebrew School News**



Marcia Kagedan

There has been so much happening in the Hebrew School in recent weeks. Our third-grade students received their very own siddurim. They each spoke about the meaning of their Hebrew name and the connection of numbers to Pesach.

Mazel Tov to Jacob Ferstenberg, Freddie Kates, Rebecca Kutuzov, Brooke Lesser, Eva Mehr, Max Mehr, Elana Mutnick, Ben Pyatski, Sophie Sietz, Jared Sternberg and Lillie Vaks. We are all very proud of your achievements.

All students enjoyed Pesach seders of different sorts with their teachers and we thank APT for providing all the food.

Yom Hashoah was commemorated in the Hebrew School and at the JCCP community program in which some of the Hebrew School students participated.

The Torah Coupon Store was very busy this month and we also had two school trips. Some students went to the Brooklyn Jewish Children's Museum and others went to the Museum of Jewish Heritage in Battery Park, I will report more about this next month.

#### **UPCOMING IN MAY-JUNE:**

- Sunday, May 6: Candle Club - last one of this school year.
- Shabbat, May 12: Special youth Shabbat with participation in services by all youth.
- Tuesday, May 15: Mets game with Rabbi Reshevsky.
- Sunday, May 20: 7TH-GRADE GRADUATION and Awards Ceremony. Sports and barbecue for all. Celebration of Yom Yerushalayim.
- Tuesday, May 22: Special Fun Day at Hebrew School – cooking class with Shavuot in mind!
- Sunday, May 27: No school – Memorial Day Weekend and holiday of Shavuot!
- Tuesday, May 29: Special Fun Day at Hebrew School – games, activities and special program with Youth Department!
- Sunday, June 3: Annual participation in the ISRAEL DAY PARADE IN NYC. Contact me for details!

Shalom U'lehitra'ot!

## Mazel Tov to members of the Alef class on receiving their first siddurim!



Each child spoke about his or her Hebrew name and about numbers associated with Passover. Parents, grandparents and friends were delighted to be at this most memorable occasion. Rabbi Weiner presented the siddurim; Mimi Levin and Amy Tobenkin, co-presidents of the JCCP Board of Education, presented the children with certificates; and Roz Mehr, co-chair of APT, gave the children candy bars ready for Passover and to express the idea that learning Torah is sweet!

> Coming this spring to the Jewish Community Center of Paramus

## CLUB SHARRAT

an engaging, interactive Shabbat morning experience for children ages 2 - 6 with a parent, grandparent or caregiver

facilitated by our Early Childhood Director, Judy Fox

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

> mark your calendar now May 12, 2012 June 9, 2012

> > 10:30 ~ 11:30 a.m.

and join us afterward for our weekly congregational Kiddush luncheon

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

## **The Dora and Sidney Miller Early Childhood Center thanks:**

All JCCP members who responded to the call to be an ECC Reader. So far the children have had the delight of having Sandy Bauer and Ruth Camins read to them. We look forward to scheduling other people who have volunteered, and to repeat visits from Sandy and Ruth!

## YOUTH SPONSORED DUAL SERVICES SHABBAT!

May 12, 2012

We need your help and participation!



\*Help us prepare and serve the Kiddush



\*Financially support us by making an \$18 contribution to this Youth Shabbat and Kiddush Luncheon

> Come for an enjoyable dual service Shabbat and worship in the service of your choice.

\*Tell your friends and other ICCP members to come! \*Bring your children!

Any questions or to sign up to help, please contact either Debbie Simon, Joy Sapin or Marissa Rosenzweig:

sand626@optonline.net loynipas@aol.com mbrosenzweig@gmail.com **JCCP Youth:** 

**Jewish Community Center** of Paramus E. 304 Midland Avenue Paramus, New Jersey 07652

Hebrew School, Please send all donations to Chaverim, Kadima and USY participation!





- Welcome to Young Jewish Families.
- We are the group for children 13 years old and younger and their families.
- Sponsor a YJF Friday night oneg for birthdays, anniversaries, even good report cards.

#### SHABBAT FAMILY SERVICE AND PROGRAM Friday, May 4, at 7:30 p.m.

Please join us for our family friendly Friday Night Family Service and Program. Light service, interactive story time, followed by playtime and DAIRY nosh in the gym. Friday night Shabbat service geared toward children, and then the children play and the parents schmooze. This month we will be honoring Yossi Heitlinger's birthday. Yossi will be our special guest reader and we will have a special cake for the occasion.

#### **SHAVUOT** May 26-28

Check our website for information on times for the holiday services and schedules.

#### SHABBAT FAMILY SERVICE AND PROGRAM Friday, June 1, at 7:30 p.m. — Outside, under the stars, in the Early Childhood Center backyard

Please join us for our family friendly Friday Night Family Service and Program. Light service, interactive story time, followed by playtime and DAIRY nosh. Friday night Shabbat service geared towards children, and then the children play and the parents schmooze. If you would like to sponsor the oneg for a special birthday or other event, please contact Elana and Eugene at vif@iccparamus.org. Cost: \$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.

For more information, Please visit us at www.jccparamus.org, or contact us at yjf@jccparamus.org.

We wish everyone a Happy Chag Shavuot.

Thank you. Eugene and Elana Heitlinger

Ad Deadline ... May 7<sup>th</sup> ... It's almost here!



Join our celebration in recognition of: Phyllis and Ken Glatzer Helen and Gary Hutmacher

It's only a month away, so contact any people or businesses you haven't solicited ... and any who haven't yet replied.

> Time is \*\* \*\* running out! We need your help to reach our goal.





## **Sisterhood News**

In celebration of one of the Shalosh Regalim holidays, Sisterhood is pleased to be a sponsor of the following free events:

#### Sunday, May 6:

#### **Estate Planning Seminar**

Join us at 10 a.m. for breakfast Our guest speaker will be an estate tax attorney

#### Wednesday, May 9:

#### Mid-Atlantic District Scholar-in-Residence Program

Guest lecturer, Shoshana Cohen from the Conservative Yeshiva in Jerusalem. Shoshana Cohen is a fellow at the Hartman Institute's Seder Nashim Beit Midrash for Gender and Judaism.

Sisterhood members meet and greet at 7 p.m.

Speaker engagement to begin at 8:15 p.m.

The entire JCCP community is welcome.

#### Saturday, June 9:

#### **Sisterhood Shabbat**

Please join us for the service of your choice; participation is encouraged and very welcomed.

Sisterhood will be the Kiddush host.

Let us know if you need a ride to any of our events.

Please be certain to log on to the JCCP website for detailed information on these events and our sweet Rosh Hashanah honey giftgiving campaign.

Join us! Make the "journey" to the JCCP.

Best wishes for a beautiful and meaningful Shavuot.

Warmly,

Ruth Smith and Eve Lehrer Co-Presidents



## Light Candles



Friday, May 4	7:36 PM
Friday, May 11	7:43 PM
Friday, May 18	7:50 PM
Friday, May 25	7:56 PM

## THE DEADLINE FOR THE **NEXT BULLETIN IS MAY 7!**

#### **Adult Education**

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

Stu Lehrer's class The FUNdamentals of Judaism: from A to Z continues on Monday nights from 8:30 to 9:30 until May 21. Join at any time; the class is free, just come, learn and have fun.

On Wednesday, May 9, Shoshana Cohen will be speaking at the JCCP in a program co-sponsored by Sisterhood. She is a fellow at the Hartman Institute's Seder Nashim Beit Midrash for Gender and Judaism. She teaches "Tanach and Women" and Halacha at the Conservative Yeshiva in Jerusalem.

#### **Upcoming events:**

The Israel Day Parade is on Sunday, June 3. For more information, please contact Marcia Kagedan at (201) 262-7733 or edudirector@jccparamus.org.

If the warm weather has you thinking about summer ... yes, for the fourth year **Rabbi Weiner** will be teaching an Adult Education class on Wednesdays beginning in June and running through July called Great Contemporary Issues. The rabbi will teach in the afternoon and evening, so you can choose the best time to attend. He will be discussing traditional Jewish approaches and values concerning the great and controversial political and social issues of our time. Please plan to attend this lively class.

Cantor Sam Weiss is planning a workshop in late summer on High Holidays congregational singing. Come to services now and start practicing your Shabbat congregational singing.

#### 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. Come once and you will want to be there every Wednesday night. We welcome you to 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.

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

## **Men's Club News**

After a slow month of April, the Men's Club has more activities planned for May.

On May 6, we will have a hot breakfast with a program from the Major Gifts Committee.

We have decided not to have a spaghetti dinner this year, but instead to co-sponsor a grand Kiddush to honor the 60th anniversary of the founding of the JCCP. Please look for more information about this event in a future Bulletin.

The Men's Club hopes that everyone had a wonderful Passover this year. Jerry Menter and Joe Esrig, Co-Presidents



## **Community Affairs**

Every Day is Mitzvah Day

Do you have a green thumb? Call Roz Gerard at (201) 262-5828 and volunteer to help with our project to provide plants to residents of local nursing homes and senior housing. We will provide plants and pots, soil and decorations, but we need a volunteer to chair this effort. We would love to hear from anyone who can make some cuttings from their plants and help with this project.

On April 15, a crew of 21 volunteers sorted and packed food at the Center for Food Action Warehouse. Many thanks to Merle Harris who chaired this project.

Here are some details about March happenings that were not available for the April Bulletin:

The JCCP provided dinner for 115 people at the Walk-In Dinner program at the Bergen County Homeless Shelter in March. Thank you to Chair Roz Gerard and her crew of volunteers: Rose Harris, Barbara Merker, Laura Menter, Anne Leib, Ruth Smith, Raquel and Bob Karp, Mark and Jayne Menegus, and Esther Kantrowitz. A big thank you also to Roz's son **Steven Gerard**, who donated the chickens we served, as he does each year.

The March Fran Leib Memorial Turkey Drive collected 27 turkeys, 50 bags of groceries including food donated by our Dora and Sidney Miller ECC families, and cash and gift cards worth \$673.50. Children from the ECC walked to the JCCP parking lot and were able to put their donations directly into the CFA van themselves, a great lesson in the mitzvah of tzedakah as well as the laws of Passover eating.

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



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

If you love to knit and crochet, we are continuing to hold our knitting bees. We have a request from the Tikvah Orphanage in Odessa, Russia, for more sweaters, blankets and other items. Won't you help us to help them? Elaine Cohen reports that we still 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.

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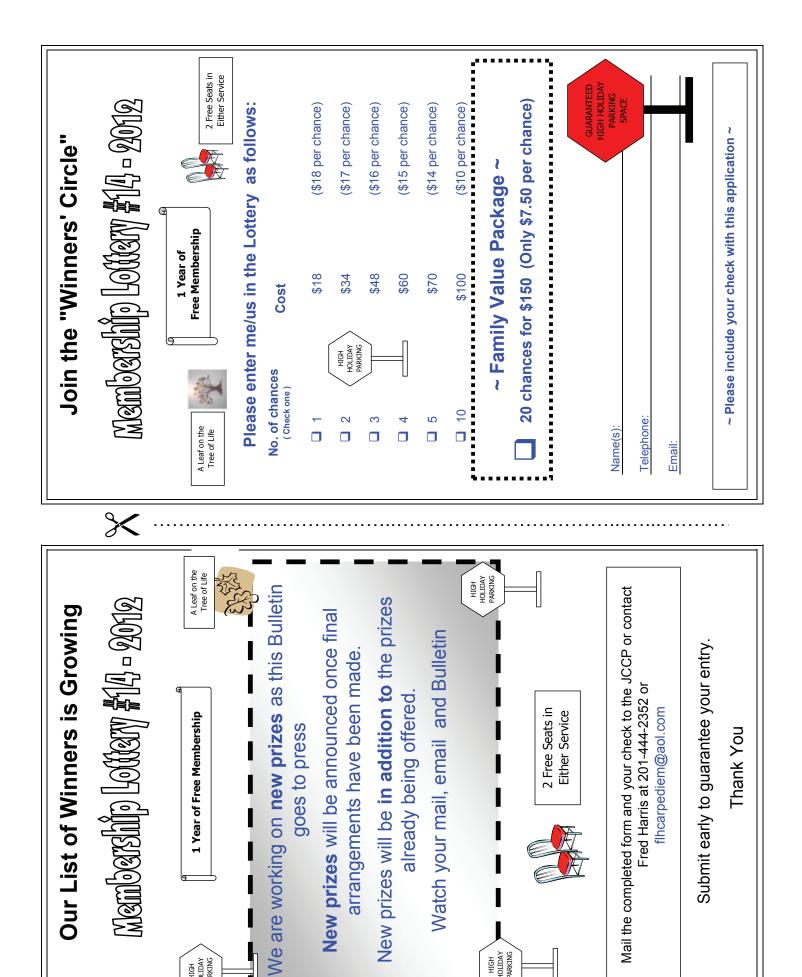
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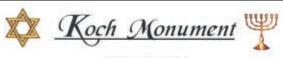
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		Jiyar Jirz	Wednesda		= :	0.4
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday 11 IYAR	Friday 12 IYAR	Saturday 13 IYAR
		Tuesday  9 IYAR	Wednesday  10 IYAR	3	4	5
		Youth Comm. Mtg.	Drosh and Nosh 7:30pm		1 7:36	Acharei Mot -
		8:15pm	(Michael Grabow)	8:15pm	Shabbat Service 8:30pm	
		ECC Parent Conferences (pm)	Le Isha Exercise Class 7pm	Leopold Minyan Bkfst 6:45am	Young Jewish Families Service 7:30pm (YL)	\$\frac{1}{2}\$Shabbat Ends: 8:47 Shabbat Services
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Pesach Sheini MC-SH Financial		Chaverim 5:30pm J-ADD Annual Mtg.	Drosh and Nosh 7:30pm Le Isha Exercise Class		\$\frac{1}{2}7:43 Shabbat Service 8:30pm	Emor Shabbat Ends: 8:54
Bkfst10am	1:30pm	6pm	7pm	8:15pm	Shaddar Service disopin	Dual (Egal-Sanctuary)
USY Tie Dying- Hebrew School	Stu Lehrer's Class 8:30pm					Shabbat Services 9:00am
Bikathon 3-7th	Kadima 7pm					Club Shabbat 10:30am
Candle Club-Bagel/Schmooze	Men's Club Game Night 8:15pm					Mincha 7:45pm Youth Co-Sponsor
Israel Bond Dinner 5pm	Jewish War Vets					Kiddush
	7:30pm					
21 IYAR	22 IYAR	23 IYAR	24 IYAR	25 IYAR	26 IYAR	27 IYAR
13	14	15	16	1/	18	19
Mother's Day	Men's B-Ball 8:15pm	Men's Club Bd.	Drosh and Nosh 7:30pm	Board of Trustees Mtg.		<b>⋣</b> Behar - Bechukosai
		Meeting 8:15pm Membership Comm.	Le Isha Exercise Class 7pm	8:30pm	Shabbat Service 8:30pm	\$\ \text{Shabbat Ends: 9:00} \\ \text{Shabbat Services}
		Mtg. 8:15pm	Yiddish Club 2:00pm			9:00am
	8:30pm Bd. of Ed. Mtg. 8:15pm					Mincha 7:50pm
	Sisterhood Bd. Mtg.					
	7:15pm					
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				Mtg. 8:15pm	\$\frac{1}{2}7:56\$ Shabbat Service 8:30pm	₽₽Bemidbar ₽₽Shabbat Ends: 9:07
Events Hebrew School BBQ		6:30pm				Shabbat Services 9:00am
12:30-2pm	8:30pm					Mincha 8:00pm
USY Israel Event ECC Event at ECC 5pm	Kadima 7pm					Maariv 9:00pm <b>Tikun Lel Shavuot</b>
Bd. of Governors Event						9:15pm
27 6 SIVAN	28 7 SIVAN	9 SIVAN	9 SIVAN	10 SIVAN		Daily Services
27	<b>4</b> 8	29	30 9 SIVAN	31 10 SIVAN		Shacharit Mon. & Thur. 6:45am
Shavuot - Day 1	Shavuot - Day 2	Chaverim 5:30pm	Drosh and Nosh 7:30pm			Tue, Wed, Fri. 7:00am
First Day Yom Tov Ends: 9:07	Memorial Day Yom Tov Ends: 9:08		(Warren Nitti) Le Isha Exercise Class	8:00pm		Sunday/Holidays 9:00am
Shavuot Services	Office-ECC-PRA		7pm			Mincha/Maariv
9:00am Shavuot Luncheon	Closed Shavuot					Sun-Thur. 8:00pm
Mincha-Maariv	Service-Yizkor 9am					
8:00pm No Hebrew School	Mincha-Maariv 8:00pm					
	No Men's B-Ball					



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