



Coming in September

SEPTEMBER 7

YJF Service

SEPTEMBER 8

Selichot

SEPTEMBER 16

Erev Rosh Hashanah

SEPTEMBER 17 & 18

Rosh Hashanah

SEPTEMBER 25

Kol Nidre

SEPTEMBER 26

Yom Kippur

SEPTEMBER 30

Sukkah Decorating



THE JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF PARAMUS

Requests the pleasure of your presence at

Its Annual Selichot Reception

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

at 8:30 P.M.

Honoring

Elana & Eugene Heitlinger

 and

Wendy & Barry Salkin

In recognition of their distinguished service to the Jewish Community Center of Paramus, Elana and Eugene Heitlinger and Wendy and Barry Salkin will be the honorees at our annual Selichot reception. The JCCP is an important part of their lives, a place where they are truly at home. We hope they will continue to be an active and vital part of our Center family for many years. Yasher Koach!

Selichot services will begin at 10:30 p.m., following the reception. The Selichot service is the formal beginning of the High Holidays period. We gather late in the evening for a special series of penitential prayers that help us to prepare for this season of repentance. Please plan to be with us as Rabbi Arthur Weiner and Cantor Sam Weiss lead this important service.

See next page for Heitlinger and Salkin bios...

Elana and Eugene Heitlinger



Elana and Eugene Heitlinger joined the JCCP in 2002. They were looking for a warm and friendly Traditional Conservative synagogue in Bergen County, and found it at the JCCP. They quickly became active volunteers and regulars at Shabbat and holiday services.

Elana and Eugene both grew up in families that were very active in synagogue life, so it is no surprise when they became active synagogue members as well. Elana was a Sisterhood co-president and currently is an Israel Bonds Committee co-chair, a Young Jewish Families co-president, a member of the Membership Committee and a kitchen supervisor. Eugene was a Men's Club co-president and currently is a Young Jewish Families co-president, an Israel Bonds Committee co-chair, a Membership Committee co-chair, a member of the Religious Committee and a kitchen supervisor. In addition, Eugene created the current JCCP website.

Elana and Eugene are both from North Jersey. Elana is originally from Paterson and Teaneck, and Eugene grew up in Bergenfield. Elana and Eugene, and their son Yossi, now live in Ridgely Park.

Elana went to Yavneh Academy, the Moriah School, and Frisch High School. Eugene went to Hebrew school at Cong. Beth Sholom in Teaneck and the Bergen County High School of Jewish Studies. Elana and Eugene met in college at a Hillel Sukkot event. Both were active members of Hillel, with Elana serving as a Hillel chapter president and Eugene as a publicity chairman.

Professionally, Elana is an advertising and marketing traffic and project manager. She earned a bachelor's degree in advertising, with a minor in marketing, and has managed projects primarily in pharmaceutical advertising and retail marketing.

Eugene is a software developer and project manager. He holds a bachelor's degree in marketing and a master's degree in information technology and project management. He has designed and built software, and managed software projects, for a wide variety of industries domestically and internationally, and in the public and private sectors.

The Heitlingers enjoy traveling around the United States and Canada – they have spent time seeing 49 states in America and the eastern provinces of Canada. They have visited synagogues and points of Jewish interest in these areas.

Their son, Yossi, is 8 years old and will be starting the third grade this fall. He attends the JCCP Hebrew school. Yossi took some of his first steps in the JCCP building and has been a regular at Shabbat and holiday services since he was about 2 weeks old.

"We were looking for a place to daven on Shabbat and holidays and found so much more," the Heitlingers say. "The JCCP is a wonderful synagogue with so many terrific people. Words cannot express how touched we are to have been chosen for such an honor. We are truly humbled."

Barry and Wendy Salkin



Barry and Wendy Salkin met Feb. 14, 1971, at a Harvard Hillel mixer and have been married 39 years. They lived in Boston and Bayonne before moving to River Edge 32 years ago, when they joined the JCCP. Their son, Leon, and his wife, Lori, live in Bala Cynwyd, Pa., with their adorable daughter, Chloe Estelle, almost 2 years old. Their daughter, Stacey, and her husband, Michael Ackerman, live in Englewood with their very cute puppy, Candy, aka BooBoo.

Barry, who was born and raised in Bayonne, earned a bachelor's degree in American History from Rutgers in New Brunswick. He went on to earn a Ph.D. in American History and a law degree, both from Harvard. He works as a lawyer in New York City, specializing in Executive Compensation and Employee Benefits.

Wendy, born in Brookline, Mass., and raised in Boston, graduated with a bachelor's degree in Biology from Brandeis and went on to earn a master's in Social Work from Columbia University. She has worked with seniors and in a rehabilitation hospital. She served as administrator of one of the pilot programs for the first kosher hot lunch sites and home delivery services.

Wendy and Barry have been faithfully sending out the JCCP yahrzeit cards for 30 years. They work as a team, with Wendy usually writing the cards and Barry double-checking them. Wendy and Barry also participate in the minyans whenever they can, especially enjoying the rabbi's talks.

Wendy is a graduate of the JCCP PEP program and she has written reviews of JCCP Library books for the synagogue Bulletin. She attends Sisterhood meetings and particularly enjoys participating in the knitting group that is part of the Community Affairs Committee. Barry and Wendy have been on the Board of Governors for 25 years.

In the community, Wendy's major involvement has been with the River Dell Chapter of Hadassah, first as the treasurer for many years and now beginning her seventh year serving as co-president. Wendy also is a member of the Pomegranate Guild of Northern New Jersey. In addition, she is a graduate of the Florence Melton program and has attended post-graduate courses. She also has served as a Girl Scouts leader and continues to be active in the Order of the Evergreen, the Girl Scouts alumna group. Both she and Barry were also active with the Boy Scouts.

Barry does a substantial amount of pro bono work for small tax-exempt organizations. Sharing an interest in American history, Wendy and Barry are members of the Bergen County Historical Society. They have attended many events at the Steuben House and currently are participating in the School of Interpretation.

From the Rabbi



Rabbi Arthur D. Weiner

I have always been fascinated by the High Holidays theme of *Teshuvah* (repentance), the idea that we can make changes and corrections in how we live our lives. It is in the very act of realizing our mistakes, and adopting more positive and enriching actions to replace them, that we can fulfill our vast potential and become partners with G-d in the never-ending miracle of creation. There is a flip side, however. Teshuvah may be well and good for mistakes and errors that affect our lives, but what about our mistakes that hurt other people?

You know that I like to tell stories to illustrate the great ideas of the High Holidays period. Allow me to offer a story about Dr. Albert Sabin, whose oral vaccine was responsible for the widespread prevention and almost complete eradication of polio. But there is something else about Sabin that few know.

There was a scar about a quarter-inch above his left eye. As he once explained to a group of doctors, "This scar is a part of my own personal heritage as a Jew. I got it as a child raised in a small Jewish town in Poland. Some Christian children threw stones at me because I was Jewish. Had the stone been a quarter of an inch lower, my left eye would have been blinded. Since I do not see with my right eye, if the stone had struck my left eye I would be totally blind today."

Just ponder for a moment what would have happened to us all if Sabin had been unable to look through a microscope. That one tiny act of hate, of flinging one stone, could have resulted in the maiming and death of thousands of children because the oral vaccine might have been discovered years later than it was -- or perhaps not at all. That one tiny expression of hate could have harmed all humanity.

One of the great truths that we must realize is that despite the great gift of Teshuvah, each of us has the ability to make mistakes and commit errors that will have lasting impact and perhaps never be corrected. That is why another message of this sacred season — the preciousness of each and every moment with which we are blessed — ought to be in our minds as we prepare for the upcoming High Holidays. Not only must we consider how we can rid ourselves of attitudes and behaviors that have led us in awkward directions, but also how to live lives of even greater discipline, so that we not only enrich ourselves but those around us as well. At a time when our leading individuals and institutions can no longer project the morality and dignity that inspire us; when high culture succumbs to society's lowest common denominator; when education and learning no longer command respect and our best resources, we must look to ourselves and set higher personal standards to combat the decline around us.

Good people do make a difference. Judaism, especially regarding its teachings about the significance and meaning of the High Holidays season, reminds us that we have power. And with that power, we can better avoid mistakes.

I want to wish you all a L'shana Tovah, a healthy and happy new year. I look forward to greeting you during the High Holidays services.



Simchat Torah Honors

The JCCP Religious Committee is pleased to announce that Eli Murad and David Goodman will be honored with special aliyahs during the Simchat Torah celebration on Tuesday, Oct. 9, beginning at 9 a.m. We are so grateful for their many years of devoted service to the religious life of our synagogue. Mazel Tov to David, who will be the Chattan Torah, the special aliyah that marks the completion of the yearly reading of the Torah, and Eli, who will be the Chattan Bereshit, the special aliyah that marks the beginning of the Torah reading for the new year. We look forward to seeing you at services, where you can personally wish them a Yasher Koach.

THE FLORENCE MELTON ADULT MINI-SCHOOL:

Adult Learning for the Wondering Jew

Evening and day classes for the Florence Melton Adult Mini-School are scheduled throughout our community and run from October through June. For information about Melton's world-class curriculum developed at Hebrew University and taught by master teachers, please visit www.jfnnj.org/meltonschool. Register today for early-bird discounts.

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HIGH HOLIDAY PRAYERS WORKSHOP

Please join Cantor Weiss on the first three Thursdays in September when he will be teaching a workshop on the melodies and liturgy of the High Holidays. You may choose the afternoon class at 2 pm or the evening class at 7 pm. The workshop is designed to help you appreciate and feel more connected to the Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. Contact Cantor Weiss or call the office with any questions.

SIMCHAT TORAH SING-ALONG

Join Cantor Weiss on Thursday, Oct. 4, for a sing-along session to help prepare for the congregation's two Simchat Torah celebrations (Oct. 8 and 9). We will meet twice that day, at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. You are invited to one or both sessions.

Thank You!

To our dear friends at the JCCP,

We thank you for your kindness and expression of sympathy shown to our family during this very sad time. Our beloved Joseph Fried – husband, father, grandfather (Zaidy), brother, relative and friend – will be in our hearts forever.

The loving tributes and donations made in his memory will help to continue the tzedakah he gave to so many Jewish and secular charities, especially to the State of Israel, which he loved and worked for all his life.

*Rhoda Fried and Mildred Lerman,
Renee Feldman, Sandy Fox*

Membership Lottery #14 - 2012



~ AND THE WINNERS ARE ...

On Thursday evening, July 19, 2012, at a special open meeting of the Board of Trustees, to which all JCCP members were invited, we selected the winners from more than 500 chances purchased in our 14th Annual Membership Lottery. The lucky winners for 2012 are:

Free Membership for One Year
Two Free High Holiday Seats
A Leaf on the Tree of Life
A Guaranteed Parking Space for the High Holidays
A Guaranteed Parking Space for the High Holidays
A Guaranteed Parking Space for the High Holidays
A Guaranteed Parking Space for the High Holidays
A 24" Flat Screen High Definition TV
A 30" Rolling Duffel
Donated by The Luggage Center in Summit NJ
Dinner for 6 people at Shabbat Across America

Helen and Gary Hutmacher
Linda and Les Klein
Shelley and Owen Moritz
Lynn and Phil Waxberg
Beverly and Milt Diamond
Susan and Stan Liebowitz
Frieda and Alan Finkelstein
Mimi Levin
Phyllis and Larry Polevoy

Candice and Michael Feiler

Congratulations to all the winners. The Membership Lottery is a great tradition at the JCCP, as well as a much needed fundraiser, and we look forward to its continued success in the future.

~ THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED ~

Services

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Friday, August 31 8:30 p.m.
ONEG HOST: JCCP

SABBATH SERVICES

Saturday, September 1 9:00 a.m.
TORAH READING: Ki Tetze
KIDDUSH HOST: JCCP
JUNIOR CONGREGATION: 10:00 a.m.
MINCHA & MA'ARIV: 7:10 p.m.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Friday, September 7 8:30 p.m.
Young Jewish Families Service 7:30 p.m.
ONEG HOST: Diane & Peter Weiss in honor of
Noah's Bar Mitzvah

SABBATH SERVICES

Saturday, September 8 9:00 a.m.
TORAH READING: Ki Tavo
KIDDUSH CO-SPONSORS: Diane & Peter Weiss in honor of
Noah's Bar Mitzvah

EGALITARIAN SERVICE IN SANCTUARY

TRADITIONAL SERVICE IN BODEEN CHAPEL

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

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Friday, September 14 8:30 p.m.
ONEG HOST: JCCP

SABBATH SERVICES

Saturday, September 15 9:00 a.m.
TORAH READING: Nitzavim
KIDDUSH HOST: The Glaser Family in honor of
Poppi D's (David Luria's) 80th birthday
JUNIOR CONGREGATION: 10:00 a.m.
MINCHA & MA'ARIV: 6:50 p.m.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Friday, September 21 8:30 p.m.
ONEG HOSTS: JCCP

SABBATH SERVICES

Saturday, September 22 9:00 a.m.
TORAH READING: Vayelech
KIDDUSH HOST: JCCP
JUNIOR CONGREGATION: 10:00 a.m.
TOT SHABBAT: 10:15 a.m.
MINCHA & MA'ARIV: 6:35 p.m.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Friday, September 28 8:30 p.m.
ONEG HOSTS: JCCP

SABBATH SERVICES

Saturday, September 29 9:00 a.m.
TORAH READING: Ha'azinu
KIDDUSH HOST: JCCP
JUNIOR CONGREGATION: 10:00 a.m.
TOT SHABBAT: 10:15 a.m.
MINCHA & MA'ARIV: 6:25 p.m.

From the Executive Director



Joe A. Herrmann

The summer is over, school is about to start, and of course that means the High Holidays are almost here. I hope everyone had a safe summer and enjoyed their vacations or time off. Most years the office can catch up on projects in July because it is a little slower. This summer the JCCP office was busy both in July and August.

As everyone is aware, the High Holidays ticket process had changes due to the implementation of the Egalitarian service in Stark Hall. Also, we have implemented new security procedures for the High Holidays. There is a detailed expla-

nation elsewhere in this Bulletin. And finally, the JCCP Board of Trustees has approved a new by-law having to do with your payment of JCCP financial obligations. If you have any questions about any of these items, please call or email me.

With the Jewish New Year about to start, I would like to thank Rita, Naz, Galo and the rest of the custodial staff for their efforts and cooperation in the past year. I also would like to thank Rabbi Weiner, Cantor Weiss, Marcia Kagedan, Judy Fox, and Rabbis Kogen and Gold. Let me take this opportunity to wish a Yasher Koach to Russell Rothman for his two years as president. I really appreciated all his support during his presidency. And finally, a special thanks to all the volunteers that help out during the year and help make the JCCP a welcoming place and our home away from home.

Let me end by wishing everyone in the Congregation a L'Shana Tova from my family and me. May it be a healthy and prosperous year for all.

FRIED NAMED HADASSAH CHAIR

At the Northern New Jersey Region of Hadassah's Centennial Gala, Edythe Fried was installed as Region Health Chair.



Light the Sabbath Candles



Friday, September 7 6:58 P.M.
Friday, September 14 6:46 P.M.
Friday, September 21 6:34 P.M.
Friday, September 28 6:22 P.M.



Help defeat hunger. Make our

20th Annual Operation Isaiah

the best ever!

Make it your first mitzvah of the New Year
Kol Nidre Night, Tuesday, Sept. 25



*We need **any** non-perishable food, especially ...*

Peanut Butter

Beans

Soup

Tuna Fish

Baby Formula

Canned Fruit

Canned Vegetables

Macaroni & Cheese

Rice

Cereal

Pasta

Etc.

Please: No Glass Containers or Expired Dates

Donations will benefit the Center for Food Action

President's Message



Harlan L. Cohen

Shalom,

As the new president of the JCCP, I would like to update you about an important development which has the potential, if it comes to fruition, to have a significant positive impact on all aspects of the JCCP for many years to come.

As some of you may know, the JCCP and Congregation Beth Tikvah/New Milford Jewish Center have been involved in a preliminary round of merger discussions which began in the spring while Russell Rothman was still president. Within the last few weeks, the New Milford Jewish Center has voted overwhelmingly to pursue merger discussions with us. This is a wonderful, exciting and historic opportunity for both the JCCP and the New Milford Jewish Center, and is something that our two

neighboring congregations have been pursuing in both formal and informal discussions which date back to the presidency of Gary Hutmacher.

At this point, both synagogues have appointed merger committees and we expect to begin formal discussions in early August. Our committee consists of me, Jack Bauer, Eileen Schneider, Alan Jay and Ade Berman. While there are many issues to be explored and no timetable has been established, we are optimistic that the discussions will be productive and will eventually lead to a successful unification of our two communities. To make the process a success, we will need the cooperation, patience and support of our entire JCCP family.

In that regard, we have begun to invite New Milford Jewish Center members to attend events at the JCCP. If you see someone at one of our events who you don't know, please act as a goodwill ambassador and reach out to them to welcome them and make them feel comfortable.

I will keep you updated about significant developments as the process unfolds.

Sincerely,

Harlan L. Cohen, *President*

SAVE THE DATE!

For an evening of

Broadway Classics

featuring

JAMES MICHAEL

Saturday Evening, November 10

at The Jewish Community Center of Paramus

See Flyer for Details...

Men's Club

L'Shanah Tovah!

A Happy and Healthy New Year to everyone at the JCCP from the Men's Club.

The Men's Club is gearing up for a new year of events. We'll be having card nights, breakfasts, dinners, a comedy night and any other events that our members might like.

Remember, our meetings are open to all of our members. Come and share your ideas with us. Come and just hang around and get to know us. We know that you'll enjoy being a part of a great group of guys in your synagogue. Just give us a try.

Our next card night will be on Tuesday, Sept. 4. Our opening breakfast will be on Sunday, Sept. 9. Please try to attend one or both of these events.

Once again, we hope and pray for a good year for all of our friends at the JCCP.

Until next time.

Jerry Menter and Joe Esrig



Board of Governors

Our major event this year was our cocktail party, which was hosted by Dr. Richard and Fran Winters at their home. Fifty members of the Board of Governors attended. We honored Herbert Kolb for the many years of creating the most interesting Board of Governors' Scrolls. We also presented four couples with our Chai Award: Nina and Russell Rothman; Randy and Paul Auerbach; Ronnie and Shel Schmidt; and Sheree and Joshua Weidman.

We wish you a happy and healthy New Year. Please continue your support to the Board of Governors.

Dr. George and Sheila Leipsner
Steve and Dr. Deborah Grundleger
Board of Governors Co-Chairs



Urgent High Holiday Message ~ New Security Procedures

Please review our **NEW** security procedures:

For several months, our Board of Trustees and the newly designated Security Committee have been diligently addressing the issue of security at the JCCP. Together with the Religious Committee, we have adopted new security measures for the upcoming High Holidays. For your protection and for the safety of all joining us for the holidays, please read and abide by these new procedures:

- ◆ Professional Uniformed Security Personnel will be posted at the front entrance and around the JCCP property.
- ◆ **EVERYONE** must present a valid, current ticket to gain entrance to the building.
 - You must bring your ticket to **EVERY SERVICE** you attend.
 - This requirement applies to **EVERYONE**, i.e. adult members, their guests and all children age seven and above. Accordingly, it is your responsibility to make arrangements for tickets for every member of your family. As always, confidential arrangements can be made for anyone needing financial consideration. Call the JCCP office and speak with the Executive Director, Joe Herrmann.
- ◆ We reserve the right to refuse entrance to anyone who does not present a current, valid High Holiday ticket.
 - Those without tickets will be granted entrance to the building only at the discretion of our Professional Security Personnel and specially designated members of our Security Committee.
- ◆ Entry to the building will be permitted **ONLY** at the main entrance. While uniformed guards will be posted at other entrances, they will no longer allow entry through **ANY OTHER DOOR**.
- ◆ Every adult must be prepared to show a **Photo ID**.
- ◆ This policy will be enforced under the supervision of a Professional Security Contractor.

This policy has been designed and approved for the safety of all. Your complete cooperation is the responsible choice and will be greatly appreciated.

The Board of Trustees, the Religious Committee and the Security Committee.

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Note: High Holiday Tickets are still available. Contact the JCCP office today.

JCCP HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES ☆ 5773 – 2012



A Happy New Year

5773 – 2012

לשנה טובה תכתבו

TO THE ENTIRE CONGREGATION
AND ALL THE MEMBERS
OF THEIR FAMILIES

WE EXTEND OUR VERY BEST WISHES
FOR A NEW YEAR AMPLY BLESSED
WITH HEALTH, HAPPINESS &
WORTHWHILE ACHIEVEMENTS

The Rabbi, Cantor and
the Entire Professional Staff,
the Officers and Board of Trustees
of the Congregation

SELICHOT RECEPTION & SERVICE:

HONORING Barry and Wendy Salkin and Eugene and Elana Heitlinger
Saturday Evening, September 8, 2012

SANCTUARY **Traditional Service**

STARK HALL **Egalitarian Service**

ROSH HASHANAH – 1st Day

Sunday Evening, Sept. 16

6:45 P.M.

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Monday, Sept. 17

Service Begins

8:30 A.M.

8:30 A.M.

Torah Service

9:45 A.M.

9:45 A.M.

Shofar Service

10:30 A.M.

10:30 A.M.

Rabbi Weiner's Sermon

11:00 A.M.

11:00 A.M.

Musaf

11:30 A.M.

11:30 A.M.

Tashlich and Mincha

6:15 P.M.

6:15 P.M.

ROSH HASHANAH – 2nd Day

Tuesday, Sept. 18

Service Begins

8:30 A.M.

8:30 A.M.

Torah Service

9:45 A.M.

9:45 A.M.

Shofar Service

10:30 A.M.

10:30 A.M.

Rabbi Weiner's Sermon

11:00 A.M.

11:00 A.M.

Musaf

11:30 A.M.

11:30 A.M.

Mincha/Maariv

6:45 P.M.

6:45 P.M.

SHABBAT SHUVA

Friday, Sept. 21

8:30 P.M.

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Saturday, Sept. 22

Service Begins

9:00 A.M.

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Mincha/Maariv

6:30 P.M.

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YOM KIPPUR – KOL NIDRE EVE

Tuesday, Sept. 25

Mincha

6:00 P.M.

6:00 P.M.

Doors Close for Kol Nidre

6:15 P.M. **SHARP**

6:15 P.M. **SHARP**

YOM KIPPUR DAY

Wednesday, Sept. 26

Service Begins

8:30 A.M.

8:30 A.M.

Torah Service

10:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

Rabbi Weiner's Sermon

11:15 P.M.

10:45 A.M.

Yizkor

11:45 P.M.

11:45 P.M.

Musaf

12:15 P.M.

12:15 P.M.

Mincha

5:00 P.M.

5:00 P.M.

Neilah Closing Service

6:15 P.M.

6:15 P.M.

YOUTH AND TEENS SERVICE AND BABYSITTING

Rosh Hashanah: 11:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Yom Kippur Day: 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

JOIN YOUNG JEWISH FAMILIES



Join the group
for families with children
under 13 years of age



Events include monthly Friday night services, apple picking, movies, Bingo, Sukkah lunch, Chanukah party, Chinese dinner, movies, ice skating, trivia night, bowling and much more.

For more information or questions, please call Elana and Eugene at (201) 449-0562 or go to www.jccparamus.org

Please mail this application, with your suggested \$36 annual family dues payable to JCCP-YJF, 304 East Midland Avenue, Paramus, NJ, 07652

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FAMILY NAME: _____

HUSBAND: _____ **WIFE:** _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE(S): _____

E-MAIL(S): _____

Please list your child(ren):

NAME	BIRTHDAY (mm/dd/yy)

JCCP member? Yes ____ No ____ (you do not have to be a JCCP member to join YJF).

Early Childhood Center News



Judith S. Fox

Another summer come, another summer gone. For those of us who spend time with young children, the summer is a season of growth and discovery — for the children and for us. We are continuously learning from the children — learning how they process information, how they see the world, and how they interact with peers and their environment. One thing we continually relearn is how the simplest objects provide a wealth of play opportunities and thus opportunities for cognitive growth.

Let's take the example of two sun-tea type plastic jugs, the kind with a spigot. Every summer morning we place a jug outside filled with icy water next to a supply of paper cups. The children help themselves to a drink whenever they wish, and of course are particularly encouraged to do so on the hottest, most humid days. Helping themselves, quenching their thirst, operating the spigot, are all empower-

ing, self-help skills. They know to throw away their paper cup, too, thus taking responsibility for their environment, their school and themselves.

We noticed that several children were operating the spigot, letting their paper cups overflow and playing in the puddles they created. We realized that there was play value in addition to hydration value in a sun-tea jug.

So we took another sun-tea jug, one we had almost thrown away because it had no lid, and put it outside in our water-play area. This plastic jug is clear and has alternating rainbow stripes on it. We placed it on a plastic table, inside a wash-tub or on the ground, and filled it with water. Then we sat back and let the children "go with it."

One day, a very young toddler opened the spigot and, fascinated, studied the stream of water that ran out. When shown how to close the spigot, she resolutely opened it again to feel and see the continuous flow. Besides enjoying the water splashing on her feet and seeing it sparkle in the sunlight, she was educating herself in the process of cause and effect. Pretty soon, the water in the jug was about halfway gone, and the little girl finally wandered away, leaving the spigot open.

The older children saw that the jug was half empty. "Hey, the water is down to the dark blue stripe!" one boy said, using a form of non-tra-

ditional measurement. They decided to refill the jug, and several of them filled small buckets from one of our water-play tables and rushed over to fill the jug. This required some social skills because there were more children, more pails and more water than could get to the jug at one time.

"It's my turn!" "I want to pour **MY** water in!" "Move over!" The children kept adding water to the jug, but perplexingly, the jug remained full only to the dark blue stripe. Finally, using the power of observation, someone realized that the spigot was still open, and by drawing inferences and anticipating consequences realized that she needed to close it in order to fill the jug. The amount of water needed to fill the jug and the overage created by too many children bringing too many pails of water, even after the spigot was closed, gives the children experience in physics. Specifically it allows them to begin

to develop the concept of liquid conservation, which is the understanding that the amount of fluid is constant no matter the size and shape of a given container. This activity, repeated day after day, certainly enriches the children's vocabulary when supervised and extended by a counselor or teacher: flow ... overflow ... pour ... full ... empty ... spigot.

The theme of growth and development segues nicely from our lovely camp atmosphere to the High Holidays season. The sound of the shofar reminds everyone, young and not so young, to think about how we have grown and changed in the past year. We can also think about the direction our lives will take in the coming year, the decisions we'll make and what happens when the spigot is open or closed.

All of us at the Early Childhood Center wish the entire JCCP family a happy and healthy new year.

The Dora and Sidney Miller Early Childhood Center Thanks Our Summer ECC Readers:

- Ruth Camins
- Joan Link

Registration continues for 2012-13

DORA AND SIDNEY MILLER EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER AT THE JCCP
Twos – Threes – Pre-K

Ask about "My Toddler and Me" for children age 15 months–2 years.

Contact Judy Fox, Director at 201-967-1334 or eccdirector@jccparamus.org

HELP BUILD and DECORATE THE JCCP SUKKAH WITH YOUNG JEWISH FAMILIES!



Sunday, September 30
9:30 AM - JCCP Social Hall

- This is a time for the parents to help build the JCCP Sukkah - while the children are in Hebrew school.
- There will be arts & craft projects for younger siblings.
- We will be serving coffee and bagels.

For more information or questions, please contact
Elana at elana18h@hotmail.com
or go to www.jccparamus.org





Hebrew School News



Marcia Kagedan

Shalom and welcome to a new year at the JCCP Hebrew School!

This year is set to be an outstanding one for all students and families with many of our regular activities along with several new surprises.

September will come and go very fast, with the opening of school and the High Holidays. Do remember that there are programs for all children up to eighth grade on each day of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR:

- **Sunday, Sept. 9:**
First day of school and opening breakfast for all families.
- **Sunday, Sept. 16, and Tuesday, Sept. 18:**
No school – Rosh Hashanah.
- **Tuesday, Sept. 25:**
No school – Kol Nidre/ Yom Kippur.
- **Sunday, Sept. 30:**
All classes dismissed at 11:30 a.m. for erev Sukkot holiday.

If you would like to help on the High Holidays with the children's programming and have not yet volunteered, please contact me ASAP.

I am looking forward to a very productive 5773!

Shana Tova to all!

Marcia Kagedan
(201) 262-7733
edudirector@jccparamus.org

APT News

APT hopes everybody had a relaxing summer recess. The first day of Hebrew school is Sept. 9. We anticipate that the children are gearing up for a great 2012-13 school year.

APT has many scheduled activities planned, including Bingo Night, special guest performances, field trips, family programming, Shabbat dinners and holiday celebrations, to name a few. Get involved! Take advantage of all that the JCCP has to offer.

"The work of today is the history of tomorrow, and we are its makers."
– Juliette Gordon Low

Mark you calendars for two APT-hosted events

- **Saturday, Jan. 19**
- **Saturday, March 2**

On behalf of APT, we would like to wish a very special Mazel Tov to all who celebrated simchas over the few months of summer break. In addition, we wish all of you and your loved ones a sweet and healthy New Year.

We look forward to working together to give our children the best Jewish education possible.

Roz Mehr, rmehr5@hotmail.com
Jill Wiser, gottwiser7@gmail.com
Co-Presidents



Youth Group News

Debbie and I are thrilled that we have been asked to co-chair the Youth Committee for the upcoming year. Having been involved in both Kadima and USY growing up in Glen Rock, I have many positive memories revolving around my time with both groups. This is a great opportunity for our young folks to socialize, participate in fun activities inside and outside the JCCP, and celebrate Jewish events. We look forward to watching our children on the newly elected USY board mature into tomorrow's leaders.

We are assembling our committee and planning for the year ahead. Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any thoughts or wish to be involved. In the upcoming months, we will keep you informed of the exciting activities and goings-on in Chaverim, Kadima and USY. Sometimes we will write this article; sometimes it will be our youth advisers; and sometimes it will be our children. Here's to a great year ahead!

"If you can give your son or daughter only one gift, let it be enthusiasm."
– Bruce Barton

Wayne and Debbie Zeiler
Wayne.zeiler@gmail.com
Dibble.one@gmail.com

Young Jewish Families

Welcome back from summer. We hope everyone had a good time.

We are very excited about the upcoming year. By now you should have received a mailing from us containing our calendar for the year. We have a lot of great activities planned and are looking forward to everyone attending as many events as possible.

Friday, September 7, at 7:30 p.m.

We are starting the month off with our **Family Friday Night Service and Program** on the first Friday of September. Please join us in the main sanctuary for our family friendly service, which is followed by playtime in the gym for the children, dairy nosh and schmoozing time for the adults.

Sunday, September 30, at 9:30 a.m.

Build and decorate the Synagogue's sukkah.

Sunday, October 7, at 11:30 a.m.

Sukkah Luncheon. Reserve the date! Details to come soon.

Please look for our flier, in this Bulletin and in the mail, to become a member of or to support Young Jewish Families. Your membership dues and support are what enable us to bring you multiple events for the entire family every month.

We wish everyone a happy, healthy and sweet New Year, and ask for forgiveness from anyone whom we might have offended or wronged.

Shana Tova.

Elana and Eugene Heitlinger
Co-Presidents, Young Jewish Families

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

FRIDAY NIGHT FAMILY SERVICE AND PROGRAM

Friday, Sept. 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Please join us for our family-friendly Friday Night Family Service and Program. The program is free and open to all children 13 years and younger, and their families. It is held in the JCCP main sanctuary; sponsored by Young Jewish Families.

Light service and interactive story time is followed by playtime and DAIRY nosh in the gym, where the children play and the parents schmooze.

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

Mazel Tov to BCHSJS Graduates!



Rabbi Arthur Weiner with BCHSJS graduates Benjamin Kleinstein and Talia Rave. PHOTO BY ROBERT SAVETSKY, TRIPLE S STUDIOS

The Bergen County High School of Jewish Studies held its 35th annual graduation at Temple Emanu-El in Closter.

Among the graduates were the JCCP's Benjamin Kleinstein and Talia Rave.

The Bergen County High School of Jewish Studies is a regional Hebrew High School serving students in grades 8-12.

DINNER DANCE

Thank You!

We would like to thank the Dinner Dance and Ad Journal Committee for choosing us as co-honorees for the 2012 JCCP Dinner Dance. This was an evening we will always remember. It was an evening of joy and good cheer, which was made even more special by being able to share the honors with our co-honorees, Helen and Gary Hutmacher.

We thank the committee for all its hard work and dedication. We also thank our friends and family, including our JCCP family, who celebrated with us and supported the event.

Phyllis and Ken Glatzer



We would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Dinner Dance Committee and the JCCP for honoring us this year. The entire evening was a very wonderful and memorable one; we will cherish our experience forever. Thanks also to our friends and family who shared the night with us.

Gary and Helen Hutmacher

SUMMER CLEANING ALERT!

... Seeking eyeglasses/cell phones ...

While cleaning out garages, drawers, etc., please save old eyeglasses and cell phones for the

**JF-NNJ Mitzvah Day Collection
SUNDAY, NOV. 4**

in the JCCP lobby, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Arrangements can be made for early pick up if you want to get rid of them sooner.

Thank You!

Beth Chananie, 201-262-0063

Rosalind Gerard, 201-262-5828

JCCP/JF-NNJ Mitzvah Day co-captains

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OCTOBER 16 - NOVEMBER 9: \$36 PER PERSON

AT DOOR: \$45 PER PERSON

For information or to reserve tickets contact the JCCP Office at 201-262-7691. Credit Cards Accepted.

NAME _____ #OF TICKETS _____ @ \$ _____ TOTAL \$ _____

Tickets available for pick up at the JCCP Office: E. 304 Midland Avenue, Paramus NJ, 07652



JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF PARAMUS

~ ADULT EDUCATION 2012-2013 (5773) ~

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

Dear Fellow Congregants,

The Adult Education Committee is planning courses and events for the New Year, 2012-2013 (5773). We invite you to expand your Jewish horizons by joining us for ...

A Lecture by Dr. Raisy Weiss
Jewish History ~ Synagogue Skills
JCCP Singers ~ Jewish Film Festival
JTS Rare Book Room Tour ~ Lower East Side Walking Tour
Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow ~ High Holidays Musical Workshop
JCCP Book Club ~ The Jewish 'What's My Line'? ~ JTS Context lectures

Adult Education courses can increase your knowledge and give you the skills you need to participate in and be more comfortable at services. You can be a wonderful role model for your children and grandchildren.

This year the JCCP will again have a variety of offerings, something for everyone. Save the date for our kickoff event, a thought-provoking lecture by Dr. Raisy Weiss, on Sunday, Oct. 21, 2012.

Our courses will be taught by Rabbi Weiner, Cantor Weiss, Marcia Kagedan, Judy Fox and of course some participation from our own talented members, including Al Nahum and Stu Lehrer. Our JCCP Book Club will meet every two months with discussions led by congregants acting as guest facilitators. We are pleased that Herb Keinon, a longtime journalist and columnist for The Jerusalem Post, will be speaking on a Sunday evening in November.

In anticipation of this exciting new academic year, we invite you to contribute to the ongoing success of our Adult Education efforts with your donation, which is so important for our successful programming. Your name will be listed prominently in the JCCP Bulletin. This year we need your help more than ever to subsidize our ambitious programming that will educate, entertain and benefit our entire JCCP community. This year we will again be offering all our courses without cost, although voluntary donations are very much appreciated.

We look forward to hearing from you and thank you in advance for your continued support and commitment to Jewish education.

Sincerely,

Mark Topel

Adult Education Committee Chairperson

✂..... Please detach and return to the JCCP by Sept. 14, 2012



~ ADULT EDUCATION SPONSOR FORM ~

Please count on my/our support for the coming year. A check for \$ _____ is enclosed.

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Name(s) _____

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Community Affairs

Every Day is Mitzvah Day

In the fall, our first mitzvah of the year will be **Operation Isaiah**, the community-wide collection of food on Kol Nidre eve, Tuesday, Sept. 25. Most-needed items include hearty soups, canned meat and fish, Parmalat, fruit juice and peanut butter. Later in the year we will visit the Center for Food Action Warehouse in Hackensack to help sort donated food. Don't forget our ongoing year-round food drive; pick up an extra can of tuna or a box of pasta when you are shopping and put your items in our food collection box in the JCCP foyer whenever you are here for a meeting or event during the week. The neighborhood food banks have asked us to help as much as we can. Thank you also to those who responded to Rabbi Weiner's appeal for monetary donations this summer.

This year the Community Affairs Committee will be adopting the Nellie Parker School in Hackensack, where several of our members volunteer through the Bergen Reads program. We will be collecting new notebooks, pencils, crayons and other school supplies to help those children whose parents cannot afford these things. New or "like new" winter jackets and backpacks are also items needed by children in the school. We have asked the school to give us a list of needed supplies, so you can take advantage of Back to School sales and promotions in stores like Staples, Target, Kmart, etc. Why not take your children shopping with you to get these items? It is a mitzvah to help those in need and sets a wonderful example for our children and grandchildren.

SAVE THE DATE: There will be a **Blood Drive** in conjunction with the Jewish Federation of NNJ community-wide **Mitzvah Day on Sunday, Nov. 4.**

Bergen Reads has been placing volunteers in the Teaneck and Hackensack public schools as reading buddies for 10 years and is always looking for people who love working with children. Are you interested in volunteering one hour a week to help children to improve their reading skills? This one-on-one volunteer experience is so rewarding; if you try it you are sure to love it. Contact **Sandy Alpern** at (201) 447-3090 or at sandusha@optonline.net for more information.

If you love to knit and crochet, we are continuing to hold our knitting bees. Our finished items are sent to the Tikvah Orphanage in Odessa, Russia. Elaine Cohen reports that we have lots of yarn 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 meetings. For more information, please contact **Elaine Cohen** at (201) 447-2485.

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

Thank You!

The Rosenbergs (Isaac, Maxine and Marcia) greatly appreciate the support and kindness extended to the family by members of the JCCP community during Jeffrey's shiva.

SAVE THE DATE!



JCCP Annual Blood Drive

(with Community Blood Services)

on Jewish Federation of
Northern New Jersey Mitzvah Day

Sunday, November 4

9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

This year INSIDE the JCCP!

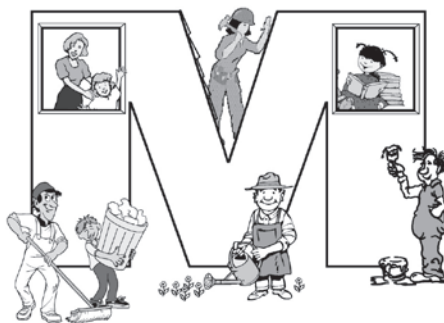
Thanks in advance for donating blood.

JCCP Mitzvah Day Co-Chairs:

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MITZVAH DAY



A volunteer opportunity for all ages!

COMMUNITY
BLOOD SERVICES



Young Jewish Families

FAMILY FRIDAY NIGHT SHABBAT SERVICE AND PROGRAM

SEPTEMBER 7 @ 7:30 PM

Please join us for our **SEPTEMBER**
Family Friday Night Shabbat service and program
specifically for young children and their families.

Bring your friends!

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

SEPTEMBER 7 @ 7:30 PM



For more information or questions, please don't hesitate to contact
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or check us out on our website www.jccparamus.org



Sisterhood News

5773: A Sisterhood Year for "Matters of the Heart"

H - At the core is our members' hearts. Nothing can be accomplished without you. Sisterhood in partnership with the synagogue has as its responsibility to serve our members, our community and the world at large.

E - Yes, we love to eat. Our aim is to provide educational events that will enable healthier choices.

A - Activities that will elevate the heart rate and also produce Smiles.

R - Rejoice and rejuvenate. Celebrate the Jewish Holidays together.

T - Tzedakah: Participate and share your talents in ways that will bring about a healthier quality of life.

Are you ready to be a part of this year's "Matters of the Heart"?

- Our program year will start with our annual **Membership Breakfast Sunday, Sept. 9, at 10 a.m.**

Come tell us about your summer and we'll share our programs for the upcoming year. Help create apple and honey dishes that will hold L'shanah Tovah wishes for members of our Jewish Community.

- Our paid-up **membership dinner** will be **Wednesday, Oct. 10, at 6:30 p.m.**

"YOUR HEART MATTERS"

Motivational and Educational Awareness Presentation
by The Center for Women's Heart Health, Valley Hospital, Ridgewood
Presenter: Andrea Storper ACNP-BC

Please be sure to check the JCCP website, bulletin board and your email box for our future events. We will have you cooking, dancing and performing to your heart's content.

In the upcoming weeks Sisterhood will reach out to you with a membership survey. Our heartfelt thanks for giving of your time to provide us with your feedback, suggestions and talents.

We must confess, however, that before this New Year begins, we must take the time to say *todah rabah* to our 2011-2012 board and Sisterhood members whose efforts resulted in a wonderful, enjoyable and successful 5772. Thank you to Laurie Rosman and the gift shop volunteer staff – Olinda Sturm, Joy Sapin and Diane Weiss. Thank you to Lilli Baumzweig for chairing this year's Honey from the Heart Fundraiser.

May the New Year be filled with Sweetness, Good Health and much Happiness. Remember – You are important in all matters of the heart.

Warmly,

Ruth Smith, ruthsmith@gmail.com

Eve Lehrer, sisterhoodeve@gmail.com

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INSTALLATION, JUNE 25, 2012

By incoming president Harlan Cohen

Rabbi Weiner, Cantor Weiss, (still) President Russell Rothman, members of the Board of Trustees, officers of the JCCP, Congregants, our executive director, Joe Herrmann, family and friends.

Thank you for joining us tonight. It is wonderful to see all of you here tonight to honor those who have served us so ably over the past year or in some cases two years, and to be with us tonight as we launch a new and exciting chapter in the 60-year-old history of our very special community.

It has been an honor and a privilege to have served as a vice president over the past six years with our last three presidents — Gershon Rosenzweig, Ken Glatzer and Russell Rothman. I have learned much from each of them over that time — important lessons about listening to what others have to say, about building consensus and making sure not to leave the pushke box in the Bodeen Chapel at the end of a long and arduous Board of Trustees meeting. I am deeply indebted to each of them for having served in the dual capacity of mentor and equally important as friend to me. Thank you so much. Rest assured, I will be calling on each of you over the next two years to give me advice, to take on key special projects that will benefit our entire community and to give me a shoulder to lean on whenever needed. I know I can count on each of you, as well as our many other past presidents who continue to give so selflessly of themselves to make sure that our second home continues to be a success.

I would also like to thank members of my family, as well as my business partner, Richard Lambert, for their continuing support over the past six years and for the next two years. Without that support, I would not be able to even dream of taking on this task, let alone succeeding at it.

I especially want to thank my wife, Lori, for the support and flexibility she has shown while I have disappeared for night after night for the past six years at yet another meeting at the JCCP. At least we get to attend Board of Ed meetings together once a month, and for that opportunity I am grateful. I would also like to acknowledge and thank my parents, Fran and Bernie Cohen, who long ago instilled in me a fierce sense of Jewish pride and for setting an example for me of the importance of volunteering and giving back to the Jewish community in Wayne, at Temple Beth Tikvah where I was raised, and at the Jewish Federation in Wayne, now merged with our federation here in Bergen. Without their example, I would not be up on the bimah tonight and we would all probably be eating dessert by now.

I would also like to thank my children, Simeon, Gabriel (who can't be here tonight because he is staffing USY on Wheels) and Sophia. While I have often heard that a child's most important teacher is his or her parents, in my case I am indebted to my children for what I have learned from them and for the example that each of them has set by their unwavering commitment to Conservative Judaism. It wasn't until I started attending Friday night and Saturday morning Shabbat services with my oldest, Simeon, as he prepared for his Bar Mitzvah over 11 years ago, a tradition that continued with Gabe for his Bar Mitzvah and with Sophia for her Bat Mitzvah in the fall of 2010, that I began to get involved in a serious way with the life of the Jewish Community Center of Paramus.

I was soon swept up in the life of the shul, going from just being an usher on the High Holidays to volunteering to be on the Strategic Planning Committee, co-chairing the Board of Governors for several years with Lori, the Lichtensteins and Marty and Elaine Cohen, to co-chairing the Membership Committee with Esther Marks — who is indispensable to the success of this shul — to becoming the third VP while Gershon was president — the same Gershon who assured me when he walked out of my very first Membership Committee meeting and unexpectedly left me as a co-chair with the immortal words: "It's only one meeting a month."

I was so naïve about the way things worked at the shul in those days that when I got the call from Rima Rosenstein of the Nominating Committee offering me the third VP position, it did not even occur to me that turning down the position was an option! Having been raised and inspired by a mother who dedicated herself tirelessly to the welfare of the Jewish community, I concluded that if the JCCP felt that it needed me to serve as VP and eventually as president, it was my obligation to serve, to give back to the community and hopefully to make a meaningful contribution to the life and direction of the JCCP that would ensure that continued vitality of our shul.

One of the most important lessons which Russell has imparted to me over the past two years is the importance of humor in being a successful leader. In that regard, I have been told that being president of a synagogue is a lot like being the director of a cemetery — you have lots of people under you, but no one is listening.

I see that Russell is all smiles and he is beaming tonight after two years of hard and rewarding work and successful service to our community. I am reminded of a letter that President James Buchanan is said to have written to Abraham Lincoln on the eve of his inauguration as president: "If you are as happy to become president as I am to leave it, you're a very happy man."

So while Russell is indeed a happy man tonight, I am as well because I am excited about the chance to be of service to our entire congregational family and to make a meaningful difference in the lives of our congregants and the future of our shul.

There is no doubt that we are living in challenging times and that I am taking over the responsibility of being president of our more than 425 member families at an especially critical — but also a very exciting time — in the life of the JCCP. Since the Great Recession first hit the United States and our members with full force in 2007 and 2008, we here at the JCCP have had to deal with the economic fallout. I am proud to report that under the careful stewardship and diligence of my immediate predecessors, the hard work of our able financial secretaries, our treasurers, our Finance Committee, the Board of Trustees and our executive director — as well as the continuing generous and critical financial support that we have received from our members — we have been able to weather the storm and keep the ship afloat and headed in the right direction. I fully intend to continue that trend and make our continued financial stability a top priority, because without financial stability and the ability to pay our cherished professionals and staff, and keep the lights on and the air conditioning running, we would not be able to continue to offer

the incredible array of services and programs which are a vital religious, educational and social lifeline to not only our own JCCP family but to the greater community as well.

I mentioned that these are exciting times as well for me to become president, and of that there can be no doubt. Some 11 years ago, this synagogue unveiled and successfully implemented a unique plan to offer egalitarian Shabbat morning services to those members and prospective members who desired egalitarian, while at the same time maintaining our longstanding commitment to traditional services for those who preferred that approach. We are now in the midst of addressing the needs of our members by moving to the next step in that process — this year, for the High Holidays, we are proud to be offering our members and their families and guests for the first time the option of attending the service of their choice, either traditional or egalitarian. This is an important development in the religious life of our community and one which demonstrates that this synagogue is the living embodiment of one of the key mottos of the Conservative movement — TRADITION — AND CHANGE.

To strike just the right balance between tradition and change is a delicate task, especially when you have a congregation family which is as large and as diverse as ours is. Despite the challenges posed by finding the proper balance between tradition and change, we have been equal to the task and that has been one of the keys to our success as a synagogue. For that we have the steady leadership and guidance of both Rabbi Weiner and Cantor Weiss to thank, along with our elected leadership and a committed group of volunteers, including the Religious Committee and Egalitarian Subcommittee. I commend all of you for your hard work and dedication to the success of this endeavor, along with your clear commitment to do what's best for the JCCP as a whole.

While change may at times be difficult and uncomfortable, change is also necessary for the JCCP to continue to thrive for at least another 60 years when, G-d willing, the JCCP will be celebrating its 120th anniversary. As noted by Charles Darwin, "It is not the strongest of the species that survives, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change."

One of the changes I would like to see implemented during my tenure for the health of our entire community is to offer egalitarian services not just on one or two Shabbatot a month and not just on the High Holidays but on every Shabbat as the traditional service is now. It is clear from the input I have received over the past few weeks from board members and former presidents that many here recognize that this is a crucial and necessary step to secure our future and to be able to attract both potential merger partners and new members, especially younger members, who will continue to be a demographic that we focus on. I have already asked the Membership Committee to take a fresh look at our Dues Optional policy to see how we can improve it to make it and our synagogue even more attractive for Generations X and Y along with their young families.

Another change which we will be implementing is offering regular Friday night dinners on a monthly basis to help bring more members here for our Friday night services and to get a chance to schmooze — before services instead of during services. Our first will be held on Friday night, July 20th, and then on Friday night, August 17th, so please be on the lookout for publicity and join us. As the Rabbi has previously announced, we will also be hosting two Shabbat Under the Stars programs this summer in the backyard of the ECC. Our first is coming up soon on July 6th, and there will be another one in August. Please keep an eye out for publicity and plan to join us.

There is another major change — and a very positive one — on the horizon and we need to be responsive to it. As you may be aware, within the last few weeks, one of our neighboring Conservative synagogues with a long and proud history of its own — Congregation Beth Tikvah/New Milford Jewish Center, has voted overwhelmingly to pursue merger — or what they are terming unification — discussions with us. This is a wonderful, exciting and historic opportunity for the JCCP and for New Milford, and is something that we have been hoping would happen going back more than six years when Gary Hutmacher was serving as president. If this goes through, and we have every reason to be optimistic that it will, it can be a game changer for the future of the JCCP.

Shortly after I formally assume the presidency on July 1, I will be meeting with the past presidents of the JCCP to receive their guidance on how best to address the many issues which will arise from our merger discussions with New Milford and the eventual unification of our two synagogue families. Russell and I have already been discussing names for a merger committee, and we expect to be announcing a committee soon to begin discussions in earnest with New Milford so we can begin to work together on the many, many issues presented by this game-changing opportunity. It is my goal to do everything in my power to ensure that our merger discussions and the process of unification are a smashing success.

If that goal is achieved, and I fully expect that it will be, we will receive an influx of new members, new Torah scrolls, new blood and bodies to help strengthen our twice daily minyanim and new volunteers to help staff and attend our programs, starting with our July 4th barbecue to which Russell has already extended an invitation to New Milford to attend. We will also have the opportunity to learn and build new traditions, and we will also have the potential to receive the gorgeous stained-glass windows which currently beautify Beth Tikvah's sanctuary and hopefully they can beautify our own sanctuary soon. If all goes well, we can reasonably expect to receive a major infusion of cash. This will enable us to finally update and upgrade our building for the 21st century, as well as help fund enhanced programming while providing ample funds to build up our reserves for the inevitable day when even Joe Esrig's amazing feats of magic can no longer revive our Eisenhower-era air conditioning system.

If this merger and unification process is a success, as I fully expect that it will be, it can serve as a model for future mergers between our community and other neighboring communities beyond New Milford in coming years. To make the process a success, I will need the cooperation, patience and support of our entire JCCP family. Having had the opportunity to work with so many of you over the past many years, I have no doubt that we are up to the challenge and that our entire community will get behind this momentous opportunity and make it a success.

Todah Rabah — thank you so very much for your support, thank you for giving me this honor and thank you for entrusting me with this responsibility. I pledge that I will do my best to make the next two years successful, rewarding and fun for everyone, and I trust that each of you will be there with me to help me fulfill this pledge and to make it a reality. I look forward to working closely together with each of you, with my able vice presidents, Jack Bauer, Howie Leopold and Lloyd Hyman, with our officers, with our new Board of Trustees, with Joe Herrmann, with Cantor Weiss and with Rabbi Weiner, as well as with our neighbors from New Milford who we welcome with open arms and hearts in the finest JCCP tradition, in turning these goals into reality. Thank you and let us now enjoy dessert together.

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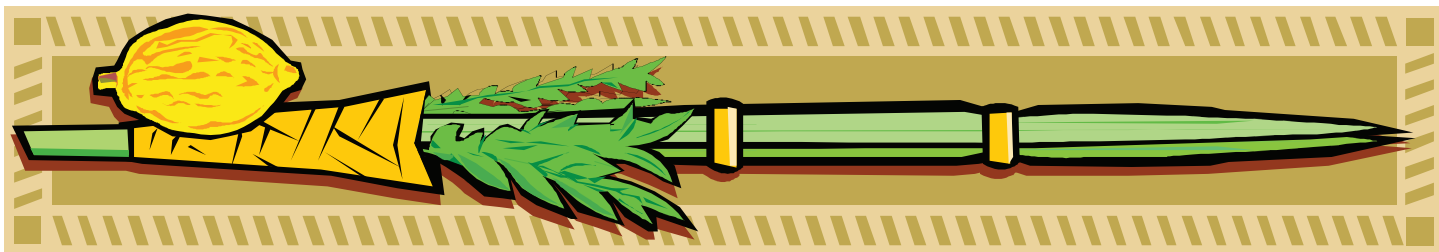
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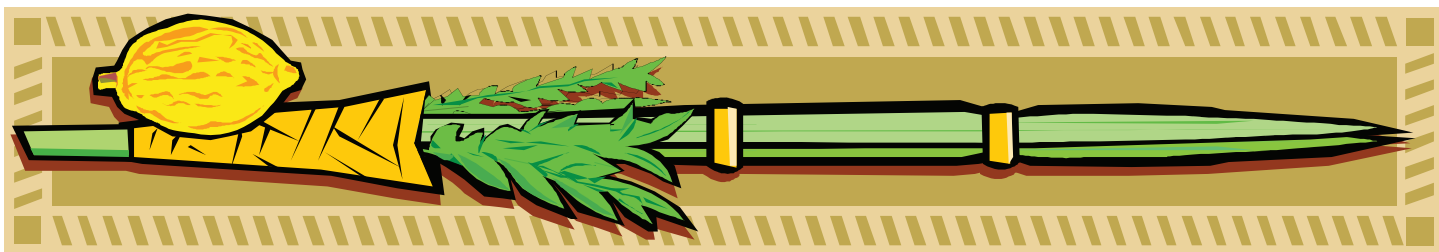
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2 15 ELUL Kaplan 4 1-5pm	3 16 ELUL Labor Day ECC/Office/PRA Closed No Men's B-Ball	4 17 ELUL Men's Club Game Night 8:15pm Youth Committee 8:15pm	5 18 ELUL Drosh and Nosh 7:30pm ECC Orientation 7:30pm	6 19 ELUL Executive Board 8:15pm Cantor High Holiday Workshop 2pm and 7pm ECC Orientation 7:30pm	7 20 ELUL 6:58 Shabbat Service 8:30pm Young Jewish Families Service 7:30pm	8 21 ELUL Ki Tavo Shabbat Ends: 8:06 Weiss Bar Mitzvah (Egal.) 9am Mincha 7:00pm SELICHOT SERVICE
9 22 ELUL Selichot Begin Hebrew School Begins Men's Club Breakfast 9:30am	10 23 ELUL Men's B-Ball 8:15pm Yesterday, Today 1:30pm Board of Education 8:15pm Sisterhood Board Mtg 7:15pm ECC Opens/Jewish War Vets	11 24 ELUL House Committee 8:15pm Men's Club Bd Mtg. 8:15pm Membership Mtg. 8:15pm Hadassah 7:45pm	12 25 ELUL Drosh and Nosh 7:30pm	13 26 ELUL Adult Ed. Mtg. 8:15pm Cantor High Holiday Workshop 2pm and 7pm	14 27 ELUL 6:46 Shabbat Service 8:30pm	15 28 ELUL Nitzavim Shabbat Ends: 7:54 Shabbat Service 9am Mincha 6:50pm Glaser Kiddush Host/Haftorah
16 29 ELUL Erev Rosh Hashanah 6:42 Hebrew School Closed	17 1 TISHRE Rosh Hashanah - Day 1 First Day Yom Tov Ends: 7:51 ECC/Office/PRA Close TASHLICH 6PM	18 2 TISHRE Rosh Hashanah - Day 2 Yom Tov Ends: 7:49 ECC/Office/PRA Close Hebrew School Closed	19 3 TISHRE Fast of Gedalyah Drosh and Nosh 7:30pm Yiddush Club 2pm	20 4 TISHRE Cantor High Holiday Workshop 2pm and 7pm Board of Trustees 8:15pm	21 5 TISHRE 6:34 Shabbat Service 8:30pm	22 6 TISHRE Vayelech Shabbat Ends: 7:42 Shabbat Service 9am Mincha 6:35pm
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