Jewish Family Service to Host Author Rachel Simon at Special Event – Sunday, October 14

Jewish Family Service is pleased to announce that on Sunday evening, October 14, we are bringing award-winning author Rachel Simon to Harrisburg. Ms. Simon is a nationally recognized public speaker on issues related to diversity and disability. Rachel Simon is best known for her book Riding The Bus with My Sister, based on Ms. Simon’s experience of entering her sister Beth’s world of intellectual disabilities. The book was made into a Hallmark Television Movie starring Rosie O’Donnell and Andie McDowell and directed by Anjelica Huston.

Rachel Simon will use her latest book, The Story of Beautiful Girl, as a vehicle to speak about ensuring that people with intellectual and developmental disabilities lead lives with meaning, dignity, and respect, fulfilling their innate potential. These desires are themes that everyone can relate to.

Ms. Simons will also speak about her sister Beth’s Top 10 ways to find a direct care provider and about how we can ensure that people live in freedom, rather than hidden from the world.

The event will be held at the Zembo Shrine. As part of this event, JFS will hold a raffle with a cash prize of $5,000. The tickets for the raffle are $25 or 5 for $100. Tickets can be purchased prior to the event at the JFS office or on-line at www.jfsfhbg.org. At the event, there will also be separate raffles at $5 or $10 each for prizes such as a large-screen television set, vacation homes for a week, golf outings, chocolate baskets, restaurant gift certificates, premiere tickets for Chocolate Fest, Phillies tickets and many other things.

Funds raised for this event will support the many programs JFS offers the community. In addition, some of the funds are earmarked for seed money for a new program, A Day Away, a respite program for people with Alzheimer’s Dementia and their families, and a Four Seasons Room for the Second Street Jewish Group Home. Shelley and Ted Adler are honorary co-chairs of this exciting event.

Ross Receives Javitch Award at Federation Annual Meeting

By Patti Bromley

At the Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg’s Annual Meeting on September 20th, Jennifer Ross was presented with the David Javitch Young Leadership Award. Dr. Andrea Lieber, the 2011 recipient of this coveted award, presented the honors to Jennifer.

Jennifer Ross received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in French and Sociology with a minor in Fine Arts History from Dickinson College. As part of her studies, she interned at the Dickinson Center in Toulouse, France, where she taught English to students at a French high school. (That school is actually the Yeshiva where a gunman attacked and killed several people earlier this year.)

Jennifer currently works as Chief Information Officer at the Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations (PANO). Her primary role at PANO is to serve its members by offering nonprofit help-desk assistance and by developing and promoting the member benefits.

In September, Jennifer completed her second term as President of Jewish Family Service. She has helped with several major fundraising events for JFS as well as for Temple Ohev Sholom. Jennifer and her husband also served as Youth Group leaders at Ohev when they were members there. Jennifer holds, or has held, volunteer roles in many other organizations, including Dickinson College’s Asbell Center Advisory Board, the Jewish Community Foundation of Central PA Board; the Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg’s Board of Trustees, as well as the Federation’s Sustainability and Structure Committees; Beth El Temple’s Sisterhood and Technology Committee, and the board of Congregation Beth Tikvah in Carlisle. She is also a Life Member of Hadassah.

"Volunteerism is important to me" stated Ross, “because I feel a strong desire to help others and I enjoy getting involved in causes that interest me. Working in the nonprofit sector for the majority of my career has been an extremely satisfying professional experience for me.” In addition, Ross commented, "Tikkun Olam and social justice are two components of Judaism which are extremely meaningful to me.”

Jennifer shares her life with her husband, Michael, and their son, Ned, whom they adopted through JFS’s AdoptionLinks program. They also have a rescued retired greyhound, two rescued cats, and a snake, which belongs to their son.

We wish Jennifer a hearty Mazel Tov on receiving this well-deserved award.
HEBREW HIGH – A DIFFERENT SPIN

Reading the Community Review (Sept. 7), I noticed an article about Hebrew High with a number of parental questions. I would have loved to see questions with a more positive spin, as in politics. They might read as follows:

• My son wants to play sports this fall. Can he obtain written materials or personal attention if he misses a class at Hebrew High?
• My daughter is returning from a summer in Israel, may she register late and start in October? She would be thrilled!
• My son will have a late fall Bar Mitzvah. He wants to start class with his friends. Will this be acceptable?
• I heard that the freshman class is full and applications are no longer being accepted. Is it possible to make an exception and add one more motivated student?
• My daughter’s grandparents are Russian immigrants and would be thrilled to have a class picture of her at Hebrew High. Are class pictures scheduled, or will there be publicity readily available about student activities?

I believe that the more positive aspects of any project should be given as much publicity as possible. The election is coming, let us use their methods and perhaps Hebrew High can also win by a huge margin!

~ Jack B. Ogun ~
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Do you want to see your children and grandchildren without a JCC? If not, please give them the opportunity to have what you have had. Say yes and give generously to the second line “community endowment”.

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New Day

By Howard Ross | Executive Director | Jewish Community Foundation of Central Pennsylvania

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October 19, 2012 Issue

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The Jewish Community Center is offering the following senior events:

*Every Tuesday at 10:15AM – Discussion Group*

*11:00AM – Chair Exercise • 11:30AM – Line Dancing*

*Every Thursday at 10:30AM – Choral Group *

*11:00AM – Chair Exercise • 11:30AM – Line Dancing*

Senior Lunch will be served Tuesdays and Thursdays at Noon. Reservations are preferred two days in advance if possible, but no later than 4:00PM the day before. Call Cheryl 236-9555 EXT. 3115

**October 9, 2012** – CLOSED for Simchat Torah

**October 11, 2012** – Chisuk Emuna/JCC Senior Adult Club Lunch and Learn, program provided by Rabbi Ron Muroff – “Ten Jewish Teachings that Transform Lives”

**October 16, 2012** – No Meeting today, Bus trip to Wisehaven in York to see “American Bandstand”

**October 18, 2012** - The Jewish Perspective by Robert Axelrod, Educational Director of Beth El Temple. Come join the discussion. Bob really brings out some very controversial subjects and everyone's opinions are heard!

**October 23, 2012** – Dr. Donald Koones of HACC. His lecture will be “Hail to Peacemakers: Ghandi and Woodrow Wilson”

**October 25, 2012** - Chisuk Emuna/JCC Senior Adult Club Lunch and Learn. Stan and Cory Schneider will provide the program: From Harrisburg to Brussels, the Hague, Jordan and Israel: Adventures with Heads of State, Ambassadors, Kings and Presidents."

**October 30, 2012** – Dr. Andrea Lieber Merwin of Dickinson College will lecture on: “One Hundred Blessings a Day—Why Jewish Spirituality Begins with Gratitude”
A NEW DAY AT THE J

Upcoming Events!

Jodie’s Art Class
For: K-5th
October 16, 23, 30,
November 6, 13, 20
Tuesdays, 4:30 pm – 5:15 pm
OR
October 11, 18, 25,
November 1, 8, 15
Thursdays, 4:30-5:15
Instructor: Jodie Raffensperger
Minimum 8 children to run the class
$85/Regular Rate, $50/JCC Member
Discover the artist in your child. During this eight-week session, learn the basics such as shading, tinting, perspective and color, taught in simplified terms. Work with a variety of mediums and settings.

Hip Hop
Ages 6 and older
October 16, 23, 30,
November 6, 13, 20
Tuesdays, 4:30 – 5:15 pm
$65/Regular Rate, $35/JCC Member
Minimum 8 children to run the program.
Hip-Hop is an upbeat and energetic dance form. Our Kids’ Hip-Hop after school classes teach cool moves to the songs they hear on the radio while encouraging positive creativity and exercise. In learning movement and dance, students develop coordination and improve their self-expression and confidence. If this day and time does not work into your schedule please check out tapnarts.com/classes for a full listing of dance classes.

School’s Out...
J is IN Programming
When schools are closed, the JCC is open! Entrust your child to the JCC’s safe, fun and stimulating School’s Out Programs. Spend each day at The J making art projects, playing games and sports, enjoying cooking, swimming and much more! Children will need to bring a bag lunch, swim suit and towel. We provide all the fun.

Monday, October 8
8:00 am – 6:00 pm
For: Kindergarten – 5th graders
$65/Regular Rate, $40/JCC Members
Registration deadline: September 28

November 6
8:00 am – 6:00 pm
For: Kindergarten – 5th graders
$65/Regular Rate, $40/JCC Members
Registration deadline: October 29

November 21
8:00 am – 6:00 pm
For: Kindergarten – 5th graders
$65/Regular Rate, $40/JCC Members
Registration deadline: November 12

November 26
8:00 am – 6:00 pm
For: Kindergarten – 5th graders
$65/Regular Rate, $40/JCC Members
Registration deadline: November 12

Kids Nite Out at the JCC
(Otherwise known as parents night out!)
Saturday, October 13
7:30 pm – 9:30 pm
JCC Members Only
$15/first child, $10/second child (same family)
Registration deadline: October 5

And
Saturday, November 3
7:00 pm – 9:30 pm
JCC Members Only
$20/first child, $15/second child
Registration deadline: October 26

Parents enjoy a night out on the town while your kids enjoy a night out at the JCC. Take an evening off and know that we will take great care of your children. We’ll have a great time playing in the gym, swimming in the pool, doing art projects & watching a movie.
For: kindergarten—5th graders

To register for these programs please contact
the Front Office at 236-9555, ext. 0.
Questions?
Contact Andrea at 236-9555, ext. 3108,
a.weikert@jewishfedhbg.org
or Terry at ext. 3121,
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Each September, the Campus of the Jewish Home holds Employee Appreciation Day, where administration and directors recognize the achievements of staff.

Recently, on the Annual Employee Appreciation Day, Campus CEO Allen Geckle, Facilities Manager Dwight Adams, and staff from the Dietary department arrived at 6 AM to prepare breakfast for members on the departing night shift. Staff on morning and afternoon shifts enjoyed picnic-style food all day, with Dwight Adams as head chef. Allen Geckle, Geri Henshell, Mike Heilman, Donna Hooker, Jared Ford, and others helped create a variety of delicious edibles. Employees drew lots for gift baskets, and employees with five, ten, 15, and 20-year service received Jewish Home t-shirts.

The highlight of Employee Appreciation Day is always the presentation of the Esther Jacobs Atlas Employee of the Year awards. Mrs. Atlas provided the initial funding for the awards, which recognize outstanding employees for their service to the residents on the Campus. Now, the awards are maintained by Mrs. Atlas’ daughter and son-in-law, Gayle and Harry Yaverbaum.

Nominations for the awards come from residents, their families, and employees. The awards are presented to outstanding employees in Nursing and in Support Staff. Winners receive a monetary award, a designated parking place for the next year, and their names are engraved on a plaque in the Staff Lounge.

According to CEO Geckle, it was especially difficult this year to decide the award winners.

“There are so many people who deserve recognition,” he said. “In my 12 years on the Campus, this was the most highly contested and widely discussed election.”

In fact, in each category, there were ties for the award. The Nursing awards went to Carol Bailey, who works in The Residence, and to Erica Yurcic, who works in the Jewish Home.

CEO Geckle said that although nursing personnel do the obvious work on the Campus, “The collective jobs done by employees all the different departments are what make the Campus so special.” Support Staff Employees of the Year are Ray Romero, who works in Housekeeping and who also earned a Five-Year award, and

Andrea Lieber, Ph.D. to present “One Hundred Blessings a Day – Why Jewish Spirituality Begins with Gratitude” Program
At the Senior Adult Program, October 30, 2012

Andrea Lieber, Ph.D., Sophia Ava Asbell Chair of Judaic Studies and Associate Professor of Religion at Dickinson College, will speak at the Senior Adult Club’s Tuesday, October 30, 2012 luncheon. Her topic will be “One Hundred Blessings a Day – Why Jewish Spirituality Begins with Gratitude.” Dr. Lieber will explore why an attitude of gratitude is a key element of Jewish prayer. She’ll also talk about how to cultivate a positive mindset when we are faced with life’s inevitable challenges. Please make you reservations early. Call Cheryl at 236-9555 Ext. 3115.

Ashley Donmoyer, a social worker in the Jewish Home. “Both Ray and Ashley go above and beyond to get the job done - whatever it takes,” noted Mr. Geckle.

Mr. Geckle added that it takes special people to work to the best of their abilities day in and day out on the Campus, always putting the needs of the residents first. “It is a great honor to be chosen as Employee of the Year, but it is also an honor to have been nominated for the awards. I am so proud of all our employees.”
Kristallnacht 2012

“Making ‘Never Again’ a Reality”
An Exploration of the Topic of Genocide

Sunday Evening, November 11
7:00 PM
Jewish Community Center

Jewish students from the Harrisburg Hebrew High School and African-American students from the Harrisburg School District will explore this crucial issue which has affected and continues to affect both groups.

“History has shown that wherever anti-Semitism has gone unchecked, the persecution of others has been present or not far behind. Defeating anti-Semitism must be a cause of great importance not only for Jews, but for all people who value humanity and justice....”

— U.S. Department of State, 2008

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**Sunday, October 7 - EREV SHEMINI ATZERET**
BUILDING CLOSES AT 6 P.M.

**Monday, October 8 - SHEMINI ATZERET**
ALL FACILITIES CLOSED

**Tuesday, October 9 - SIMCHAT TORAH**
ALL FACILITIES CLOSED

**Thursday, October 11**
Senior Adult Program – 10 a.m., JCC
Program: Chisuk Emuna Lunch 'n Learn with Rabbi Muroff. “Ten Jewish Teachings that Transform Lives”

**Tuesday, October 16**
NO SENIOR ADULT PROGRAM TODAY – Trip to Wishaven in York to see “American Bandstand?”

**Thursday, October 18**
Senior Adult Lunch Program – 10 a.m., JCC
Program: “The Jewish Perspective” with Bob Axelrod, 12:30 p.m.
Sidney Friedman Event, 7:30 p.m., JCC

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**CANDLELIGHTING**

October 5 ...........................................6:25 p.m.
October 12 ........................................6:14 p.m.
October 19 ........................................6:03 p.m.

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Minyan 7 a.m. daily and 5:30 p.m. Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m.
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CHISUK EMUNA CONGREGATION
232-4851 | www.chisukemuna.org
chisukemuna@comcast.net
Minyan times: Monday, Thursday mornings, 6:50 a.m.
Sunday through Thursday evenings, 7:15 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, 7 a.m.
Friday evening services at 7 p.m., Saturday evening at same time as Friday evening candle-lighting time. Saturday morning services at 9:15 a.m.
Chol Hamoed/Intermediate Days of Sukkot
Wednesday, October 3rd-Friday, October 5th
Shacharit 6:45 a.m., Maariv 7:15 p.m.
Shabbat
Friday, October 5th Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat and Maariv 6:25 p.m.
Saturday, October 6th Shacharit, 9:15 a.m., Mincha/Maariv, 6:30 p.m.
Hoshanah Rabbah, Sunday, October 7th Shacharit, 8:30 a.m.
Erev Shemini Atzeret, Sunday, October 7th Mincha/Maariv, 6:25 p.m.
Shemini Atzeret, Monday, October 8th Shacharit (includes Yizkor, Prayers of Remembrance), 9:15 a.m., Mincha, 6:25 p.m.
Erev Simchat Torah Celebration, Monday, October 8th Simchat Torah Preparation & Maariv, 7 p.m.
Simchat Torah, Tuesday, October 9th Shacharit, 9:15 a.m.
Mincha and Maariv, 6:25 p.m.

For more information about Chisuk Emuna programs and services, please call our office at 232-4851.

CONGREGATION BETH TIKVAH
Carlisle | 245-2811 | www.bethtikvah.org
PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

HISTORIC B’NAI JACOB
Middletown | 319-3014
Historic B’nai Jacob Synagogue located at Water and Nissley Streets Middletown will conduct High Holy Days Services:
Saturday October 5th: Sukkos/Simhas Torah Service at 7:30 p.m.
We are a Community Shul, all are welcome. Visit Web Site for more information or call our Voice Mail at 717-319-3014
PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

KESHER ISRAEL CONGREGATION
238-0763 | www.kesherisrael.org
Participate in our daily Minyanim. Mornings: Sundays and Federal holidays at 8 a.m., Monday through Friday at 6:45 a.m. Rosh Chodesh and fast days at 6:30 a.m. Evening services begin at 20 minutes before sunset. Please join us for our 9 a.m. Shabbat morning services - followed by kiddush
PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

TEMPLE BETH SHALOM
697-2662 | www.tbshalom.org
Join us for our contemporary Kabbalat Shabbat at 7:15 p.m. or our more traditional Shabbat at 9 a.m. Temple Beth Shalom is proud to offer a range of programming for all ages.
HIGH HOLY DAYS SCHEDULE
Mincha/Yizkor/Neilah:
Wednesday, October 8 at 5:15 p.m., followed by a Break-the-Fast meal
To find out more about our programs and events, visit www.tbshalom.org or contact us at tbs.temple@verizon.net.
PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

TEMPLE OHEV SHOLOM
233-6459 | www.ohevsholom.org
PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT
FALL ADULT ED CLASSES AT BETH EL TEMPLE BEGIN IN OCTOBER

“Critical Issues Facing the Contemporary American Jewish Community” returns for four Monday evenings beginning October 15. This popular series at Beth El Temple is led by Educational Director Bob Axelrod. The classes meet in Rosen Sisterhood Hall from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m., with light refreshments served. Through study and lively interactive discussion, topical issues of the day will be examined within the context of what Judaism has to say about each. Judaism provides critical perspectives that enable us to formulate appropriate responses to current events and issues in the news. Each session is devoted to a different issue, so please attend as many sessions as you wish.

The timely topics are as follows: “Let Those Political Ads Roll!” (October 15); “Barney Frank & Jim Ready” (October 22); “Beware Of The Enemy Coming After Our Soda Cans” (October 29); and “Take For Yourself A Man In Whom There is Spirit” (November 5).

This year at Beth El Temple is a Sunday Morning Breakfast Series with guest presenters. Conrad Siegel, a consulting actuary and investment advisor, initiates the series on October 14. Connie will speak about “The Rise and Fall of Bernie Madoff.” Subsequent programs include Allen Hornblum, an author and journalist from Philadelphia, on “Good Intentions Gone Bad: Harry gold, the Rosenbergs, and the Soviet Theft of the Atom Bomb” on November 4; and Maestro Stuart Malina of the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra on November 18 with a presentation on Jewish music.

The Sunday morning programs will convene at 9:45 a.m. following minyan. All are invited to daven Sunday morning minyan with us from 9:00 to 9:30 and stay for the program. Coffee and bagels will be served.

Free and Open to the Public

Martin C. Dean
From War Crimes Investigations to the Encyclopedia of Camps and Ghettoes: Documenting Holocaust Sites in Close Detail
Thursday, October 18, 2012 • Noon
Penn State Harrisburg Quiet Study, Capital Union Building
Kosher food reception following lecture
Information: 717-948-6039, amstd@psu.edu, or harrisburg.psu.edu/chjs

Penn State Harrisburg
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By Rabbi Akiva Males

On Thursday, August 23, 2012, together with a contingent of five other Kesher Israel members (Marcy Flicker, Joel Hervitz, Rabbi Barry Nussbaum, Oleasa Salkin, and Beth Voystock), my wife Layala and I were proud to attend the Cantorial Council of America’s 52nd annual dinner at Kutsher’s Country Club in New York’s Catskill Mountains. At this dinner, KI’s beloved Cantor Seymour Rockoff was awarded the Dr. Karl Adler Memorial Award for the Preservation and Enhancement of Jewish Music Education. The program was wonderful -- especially hearing Cantor Rockoff’s childhood friends and cantorial colleagues reminisce about their shared Yeshiva experiences of so many years ago.

The evening began with Mincha (afternoon prayers). I was a bit surprised when Rabbi Nussbaum handed me a Hertz Chumash (Bible) instead of a Siddur (prayer book). Seeing my confusion, he opened it and pointed to the Kesher Israel Congregation dedication sticker on its inside cover. What on Earth was an old Chumash from KI (donated by Mrs. Helene Hartman -- of blessed memory) doing in a Catskills hotel?

Then it hit me. About four years ago, KI decided there was no reason why hundreds of our older Chumashim (Bibles) should remain unused and stored away in boxes. KI’s Board authorized me to find Jewish institutions that might be able to put them to use. Eventually I found homes for most of those Chumashim in synagogues, school campuses, Jewish camps, and retreat centers across the country. That night in the Catskills, KI’s contingent had chanced upon some of our once unused Chumashim that had found a new life and whose pages were once again being turned by worshipers eager to follow the weekly Torah reading.

I know that books are inanimate, but it was almost as if our KI contingent heard those Chumashim saying, “Thank you for taking us out of those storage boxes and putting us back to use. We were meant to be held and used by Jews of all ages. We’re enjoying the Catskills, and some of our friends are having a great time at the Princeton Hotel. Thanks for realizing that we still have plenty of life left in us.”

This certainly was a recycling effort that Kesher Israel Congregation can feel great about.

Kesher Israel Congregation’s Rabbi Akiva Males can be reached at: rabblemales@yahoo.com

Chisuk Emuna/JCC Senior Adult Club’s Lunch-and-Learn Program – Thursday, October 25, 2012

Stan and Cory Schneider will speak at the Chisuk Emuna/JCC Senior Adult Club’s Lunch- and- Learn Program on Thursday, October 25, 2012. Cory is the immediate past international president of Women’s League for Conservative Judaism. Cory travels annually with the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. She and her husband, Stan, have given talks at Chisuk Emuna about their visits to various countries and their impressions of the Jewish communities in those countries. The Schneiders will present a program “From Harrisburg to Brussels, The Hague, Jordan and Israel: Adventures with Heads of State, Ambassadors, Kings and Presidents.”

Please make your reservations for this interesting Lunchand-Learn program early, so we can accommodate all who would like to attend. For reservations call Cheryl at 236-9555, Ext. 3115.
BARBARA FURMAN ROSEN
Barbara Furman Rosen, 76, of Harrisburg, passed away Thursday, September 13, 2012 at Community General Osteopathic Hospital. She was born in Harrisburg on July 4, 1936 to the late Israel and Cerise (Lax) Furman. She retired from the Multiple Sclerosis Society. Barbara served as Beth El Temple President from 2002 to 2006; she was a Past President of the Beth El Temple Sisterhood. She is preceded in death by her husband, Morton D. Rosen; her two sons, Michael H. and David J. Rosen. Surviving are her son, Larry F. and his wife, Hallie of Harrisburg; daughter, Marcia R. Schwartz and her husband, Dr. Gary Schwartz of Harrisburg; daughter-in-laws, Paula Rosen and Vicki Rosen and six grandchildren, Matthew, Allie, Erin, David, Ian and Sam. Funeral services were held on Friday, September 14th, at the Beth El Cemetery Chapel with Rabbi Eric Cytryn officiating. Burial was in Beth El Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Society, Central Pennsylvania Chapter, 2040 Linglestown Road, Suite 104, Harrisburg, 17110 or to the Multiple Sclerosis Society, 3125 Walnut Street, Harrisburg, 17110. To share online condolences please visit www.HetrickBitner.com.

ALLEN KESTER
Allen Kester, 94, formerly of Bayside, NY, passed away on Saturday, September 22, 2012 at Frey Village, Middletown, PA. He was born on June 21, 1918 in Frey Village, Middletown, PA. Allen was a graduate of City College of New York and did his post-baccalaureate studies at Columbia University. He was an accomplished textile designer for the women’s fashion industry and an entrepreneur.

He was a member of Beth El Temple, Harrisburg, PA. Allen was a worldly man, who enjoyed traveling, studying, adventure and interacting with people. He had an easy going personality that enabled him to engage anyone in conversation. He was the widower of Leah Kester. Surviving are his two sons, Mark Kester and his wife Karen of Harrisburg, Eric Kester and his wife Randi of Bayside, NY; his two grandchildren, Johanna Kester and Saul Kester. He was preceded in death by his two sisters Estelle Niven and Sylvia Devine. Services were held at Mount Hebron Cemetery, Flushing, NY. Arrangements were handled by the Hetrick-Bitner Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Penn State Cancer Institute for the Allen Kester Fund c/o Penn State Milton Hershey Medical Center Milton Hershey Medical Center Penn State College of Medicine Office of University Development & Alumni Relations, A120 P.O. Box 852, Hershey, PA 17033-0852. To send online condolences to the Kester family, please go to www.HetrickBitner.com.

GIZELLA (DESZBERG) STERN
Gizella (Deszberg) Stern, 87, of Harrisburg, passed away on Monday, September 24, 2012 at the Residence at the Jewish Home in Harrisburg. She was the widow of Bill Stern. She was born in Nyiregyhaza, Hungary on August 29, 1925 and was the daughter of the late Jenő and Marishka (Braun) Deszberg. Gizella was a Holocaust survivor who later escaped Hungary in 1956 during the revolution. She settled in New York City in 1957 where she lived until 2005 when she moved into the Residence. She is survived by a son, George Stern and his wife Claudia of Clearwater, FL; a daughter, Eva Siegel and her husband, Lee of Harrisburg; 4 grandchildren, David and Jonathan Stern, and Michael and Traci Siegel. She was preceded in death by her brother, Bela. Graveside services were held at Montefiore Cemetery in Queens, New York on Thursday, September 27th, with Rabbi Akiva Males officiating. Arrangements were entrusted to Hetrick-Bitner Funeral Home. Memorial Contributions may be made to Keshet Israel Congregation, 2500 N. Third St., Hbg, 17110; The Silver Academy, 3301 N. Front St., Hbg, 17110; or to the Residence at the Jewish Home, 4004 Linglestown Rd., Hbg, 17112. To offer the family condolences, please visit www.HetrickBitner.com.

RABBI DOVID LAPA
Rabbi Dovid Lapa, father of Varda Gewirtz, passed away in New York early Friday morning, September 7, 2012. His funeral service was held in New York on Friday afternoon. Together with her mother and siblings, Varda traveled to Israel after Shabbos for the burial -- which took place Sunday evening, September 9th.

REUBEN ELI MITRANI
To the profound sorrow of friends and family, Reuben Eli Mitrani died on September 24, 2012, at University Hospital in Geneva, Switzerland. He was 20 years old.

Born Friday the 13th of March, 1992, in Harrisburg, PA, Reuben attended Londonderry School and the Harrisburg Academy. He played on the basketball and baseball teams there, and served as student council president both his junior and senior years. Even as a young man, he was an accomplished writer, publishing a controversial opinion article in the Harrisburg Patriot-News as a Davenport Fellow in 2009. Reuben was a National Merit Finalist. He graduated in 2010.

Reuben was a camper, then a trusted counselor and leader at Emma Kaufman Camp in Morgantown, West Virginia. In 2010 he entered Colorado College, where he studied philosophy, religion and political science and worked as an intramural sports supervisor. He loved playing club baseball and headed to the mountains to snowboard every chance he got. Reuben traveled to Greece in 2012 to trace Odysseus’ journey as described in Homer’s epic poem. In the fall, he began a study of International Relations and Multilateral Diplomacy in Geneva, Switzerland.

Reuben was the eldest son of Donna Orbach and Albert Mitrani, beloved brother and mentor to Adam Mitrani, and much adored grandson of Beki and Rifat (“I”) Mitrani and Bernard and Fran Orbach. He leaves behind a community of friends and family who would each claim him as their own.

For those wishing to learn more of Reuben Mitrani’s life and legacy, please visit caringbridge.org/visit/reubenmitrani.

Funeral services will be held at the Jewish Community Center of Harrisburg, 3301 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA, Friday, September 28, at 1:00 p.m. Rabbi Ron Muroff will officiate. Burial will follow at Beth El Cemetery. Shiva will be observed at the home of Bernie and Fran Orbach, 4 Crain Circle, Lemoyne, PA, on Friday following the burial and on Sunday between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

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Questions about The March?
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