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***An Evening with Madame F***, a performance with accompanying lecture, is in its twentieth season of presentation at the national level. It stands among a handful of Holocaust-related live performances that express authentically a catastrophe that overwhelms comprehension. Claudia Stevens draws on the experiences of family members, as well as on documented accounts by performing artists including the French cabaret artist Fania Fenelon, to depict and narrate the struggle of women who survived Auschwitz as musicians. She performs as pianist and singer music that was played and sung by concentration camp inmates.

**Concert is free with pre-registration or \$5.00 at the door**

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# THE GOOD WE DO IS UP TO YOU!

## JCC Seniors Show Their Appreciation

By Esther Boldes

On January 10, 2012 at the JCC Senior Adult Club's monthly business meeting, the members decided to show their great appreciation to be back in their home at the Jewish Community Center building. "Nothing feels better than being back where we belong."

So, on January 31st, the Club presented Federation CEO Jay Steinberg with a check for \$1000.00 towards the repair of the building.

From left to right: Harriet Kopp, Sally Kravetz, Esther Boldes, Barbara Lock, Ann Feierman, Jay Steinberg, Dan Kaplan, Melvin Michaels, and Zelda Arch.



## A SENIOR FOOTNOTE

By Esther I. Boldes



**Almond tree in bloom on Tu Bishvat**

Originally there would have been an article about Chanukah, the Maccabees and the excavations of the ruins of Modien in Israel. But time for that is past.

So instead, let me talk about Tu Bishvat happening this month of February. There is no mentioning of this holiday in the Torah. The Mishnah mentions it only as the New Year of trees. There is the argument as to which day is the correct date: The first of the month of Shevat or Tu Bishvat, which means the fifteenth of the month. When the tree was planted, its fruit was not to be eaten for three years; the fourth year, fruit is dedicated for sacrifice and after that you were entitled to eat from that tree. The age of the tree started at one, even if it was planted one day before the 15th of Shevat.



**Plate of seven fruits**

As to customs prescribed for this minor holiday, eating a new fruit or eating seven different species is one. In Israel, the Orange Blossoms are out, and the smell is wonderful. It is also the time for planting new trees. In 1890, Rabbi Ze'ev Yavetz, one of the founders of the Misrachi movement, took his student in Sichron Yaacov, an agricultural settlement and planted trees. The custom was adopted for good in 1908 by the Jewish National Fund (We all remember putting coins into the Blue Box) to oversee land reclamation and forestation of the land. In particular, monies were spent to plant Eucalyptus trees in the Chula valley, which was a source of Malaria and the mosquito infestation at the time.

Also a major day of planting new trees, some of the Israeli important institutions had their cornerstones laid on Tu Bishvat. The cornerstone for the Hebrew University took place on that day in 1918, the Technion in Haifa in 1925 and the Knesset (Israel's parliament) in 1949.

Tu Bishvat is considered the Ecological interpretation of the world's Arbor Day. Go and plant a tree, a flower or anything that grows to green the world.

Shalom!



# Community Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 4, 2012

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Jewish Community Center

Exciting carnival games for all ages,  
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This program is funded by the Annual Campaign of the Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg

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*The Jewish Community Center is offering the fol-*

*lowing senior events which will be held at the Keshet Israel Synagogue's social hall, 2500 N. Third St., Harrisburg:*

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*

*After-lunch Programs are:*

**February 28, 2012** – “Venice: Floating World”-this lecture will highlight elements of the city’s present-day appeal--it’s music, art and architecture, as well as the intrigue and violence that marred its past. Given by John Maietta new lecturer to the JCC Senior Adult Club.

**March 1, 2012** – “Something Historic” with Herb Rochman. You’ll always learn something new even if you paid attention in your High School History class

**March 6, 2012** – Business Meeting/Birthday Party. FREE Blood Pressure Screenings by a BAYADA Nurse

**March 8, 2012** – JCC Senior Adult Club/Chisuk Emuna Lunch and Learn Program. “The Improbable History of the Sarajevo Hagaddah” by Susan Leviton. Susan will weave songs around the actual events that allowed a treasured 14th Century Spanish Hagaddah to be saved and saved again. The program will explore the historic roots underpinning Geraldine Brookes’ bestselling People of the Book. (The real story’s even better!!) A facsimile edition of the actual hagaddah and other examples of 15th and 16th century haggadot will be on hand. Susan Leviton travels around the country teaching and demonstrating the richness of Yiddish culture.

**March 13, 2012** – In collaboration with Andrea Leiber PhD. The JCC Senior Adult club will host Professor Amy Wlodarski, Associate Professor of Music, Dickinson College. Professor Wlodarski will speak on “Ghetto Terezin and the Experience of Music”

**March 15, 2013** – The Jewish Perspective by Robert

Axelrod, Educational Director of Beth El Temple

**March 20, 2012** – “C” is for Composers--Hoagy Carmichael, Sammy Cahn, and Betty Comden” – Continuing the “musical” alphabet with our own John Hope.

**March 21, 2012** – Bus Trip to Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre to see the musical, “9 to 5” Bus leaves the JCC at 10:30am. You must have a paid reservation for this trip.

**March 22, 2012** – JCC Senior Adult Club/Chisuk Emuna Lunch and Learn. Rabbi Ron Muroff will present a lecture, “Getting Ready for Passover – Spiritually”

**March 27, 2012** – London: Britannia Rules! From the Black Death to the Blitz, from Bedlam to the Beatles, London has seen it all. This lecture will offer a selection of sights and stories from this sprawling, vibrant metropolis and its colorful two-thousand-year history. Lecture presented by John Maietta, new lecturer to the JCC Senior Adult Club.

**March 29, 2012** – JCC Senior Adult Club/Chisuk Emuna Lunch and Learn. Dr. Michael Green will present “Comics and Medicine: You Must Be Joking!” Michael Green M.D., M.S. is a physician and bioethicist at the Penn State University’s Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. He is Chair of the Hospital Ethics Committee, and Director of the Program in bioethics. He attended medical school at the University of Illinois and completed residency in internal medicine at Northwestern University. He received fellowship training in clinical medical ethics at the University of Chicago’s Center for Clinical Medical Ethics, and in general internal medicine and medical ethics at the University of Wisconsin. He is currently a Professor in the Departments of Humanities and Internal Medicine, where he cares for patients, teaches medical students and residents, and conducts research in bioethics. He has published numerous articles and received many grant awards for his research, which most recently has focused on helping patients make informed decisions with the help of interactive computer-based decision aids. He has had a life-long interest in comics and was a co-organizer of two international conferences on Comics and Medicine. For the past several years he has taught a course on the topic to 4th year medical students at Hershey, and he is the co-author of a recent paper published in the BMJ on Comics and Medicine.

## WE ARE ALMOST THERE!!!!

Hopefully you have seen the flyers in the *Community Review* for the two vacation trips that are available through the JCC. In the spring, May 6-12, 2012 we will be heading to Chicago. We have 26 people signed up for this trip. Please let me know as soon as possible if you have any interest in going with us! A \$75 per person deposit for the Chicago trip is due ASAP. Please call Cheryl at 236-9555 Ext. 3115 with any questions. These trips are open to everyone who would like to go – ask your family, friends or neighbors!

# It's Not Just Cocoa and Coffee... Kosher Cocoa Café offers so much more!

By Patti Bromley

DID YOU KNOW that the Kosher Cocoa Café offers so much more than coffees, lattes, hot cocoa, and Chai tea? You can also get a variety of breakfast foods, including bagels, muffins, hot oatmeal, granola bars, fresh fruit, and a variety of baked goods.

BUT, the best-kept "secret" is that the Kosher Cocoa Café also offers a variety of delicious lunch fare, including tuna fish and egg salad flat breads and wraps, salads, yogurt, and tasty fruit smoothies. These are great for grabbing on your way back to the office after a workout, if the weather's bad and you don't feel like going out, or if you're on the go and want to pick up a quick lunch – AND it's not fast-food!

Yvonne and Chris Meeder, proprietors of the Kosher Cocoa Café are only too happy to provide affordable, freshly-prepared healthy options. Their idea for opening a café at the JCC derived from the vision that they wanted a place where the entire community can come, be comfortable and relax, and enjoy a light lunch. In addition, those who keep Kosher can be assured that everything served in the Café is certified Kosher and under the supervision of Rabbi Akiva Males. Yvonne stated that, "Our logo is 'where old friends and new friends meet'. So it's our local "Coffee Bar" where everyone is important and we know your name."

The Kosher Cocoa Café is named after Chris, Yvonne's older son. When he was a student at Penn State Main and a member of Hillel, his nickname was Kosher Cocoa.

So, stop by and check out the Café. You won't be disappointed.

If you want to check out a detailed menu, visit the Café on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/koshercocoacafe](http://www.facebook.com/koshercocoacafe).



## THE FEDERATION'S YIDDISH CLUB

Sunday, February 26, 2012

2 p.m. at The Residence  
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You won't want to miss this film. If you enjoyed the January one titled "the Jewish Forward" you will love "The Golden Age of 2nd Avenue."

It's a special 40th Anniversary Edition. This is reminiscence dear to anyone with a love of Yiddish.

It is hosted by Herschel Bernardi and a special introduction by Theodore Bickel. This is written by eight-time Emmy Winner/writer Morton Silverstein.

Refreshments will be served. Call Ann Feerman at 441-8863 if you are not on the list. Everyone is welcome.

## Ghetto Terezín and the Experience of Music

Tuesday, March 13, 2012  
JCC, Henry Miller  
Auditorium



On Tuesday March 13, 2012 the JCC Senior Adult Club will be doing another joint venture with Andrea Lieber, PhD., Associate Professor of Religion at Dickinson College.

Andrea will be providing a program "Ghetto Terezin and the Experience of Music" with Amy Wlodarski, Associate Professor of Music, Dickinson College. Prof. Wlodarski's current research explores the relationship among music, trauma, memory and politics. She has published several articles on the way composers have imagined the Holocaust in musical works ranging from Arnold Schoenberg to Steve Reich. She has given preperformance lectures at the Los Angeles Opera, the Philadelphia Orchestra and the Harrisburg Symphony orchestra. At Dickinson, she teaches courses in music history and conducts the Dickinson College Choir. She was named the 2010 co-recipient of the Oral History Association's Pedagogy and Teaching Award, and in 2011 received the Distinguished Teaching Award, the highest honor given to a Dickinson faculty member. In 2012-13, Prof. Wlodarski will be a Harry Starr Fellow at Harvard's Center for Jewish Studies.

Because of limited space in the Miller Auditorium, we can only accommodate 50 people for lunch, so please get your reservation in early. Call Cheryl at 236-9555 Ext. 3115. We will try to fit in some extra chairs at the back of the room for those who would like to come to just hear the lecture.

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# HELP NEEDED FOR ISRAEL'S STRAYS

By Calla Samuels

Calla Samuels, a former member of the Harrisburg community who remains in close touch with many, recently went to Israel and is requesting help and support, as follows:

If you have been to Israel, you have probably noticed, in passing, the multitude of stray animals wandering the streets. In any city that you visit there, this is very evident. The Israeli population and visitors have become so used to the situation and so desensitized, that people simply go about their lives/their business and continue to walk past the starving, neglected animals.

I have been lucky enough to have visited Israel approximately nine times. However, this last visit in December caused me to really pause and take notice. The stray animal population in our homeland is completely out of control. It is worse than I have ever seen it. You can't walk down any street without observing it. As an animal lover and a lover of Israel, it ruined my visit.

So I returned to Baltimore and felt that something must be done. It is our obligation as Jews to make the world right; to right the wrongs around us. It is my dream that we, in the United States and beyond, can help to make a difference in this regard. I would love to solve the problem country-wide, but we need to start somewhere. So we'll start in Jerusalem. I had a long conversation with Varda Linett, the Chairperson of the Jerusalem Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (JSPCA). She would love our help.

The Israel Government website - specifically the Ministry of Environmental Protection - states, "Overpopulation of stray cats is a major problem in Israel...Stray cats are subject to hunger, suffering, disease and death." The government, however, doesn't have a program to spay or neuter street cats and other strays. It is up to the individual local municipality to find the funds. Cat feeders feed cats, but few spay or neuter. Dogs are an issue, as well. Dogs are trapped and sent to the pound to await their fate.

The JSPCA works with a sister organization, Spay Israel, to provide spay and neuter services.

JSPCA has the expertise and the willingness to make a difference. However, funds are desperately needed.



Here is a link to a video about JSPCA <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CuN65jsh0kc> as well as their website [www.jspca.org.il](http://www.jspca.org.il)

Thus, I am trying to start a grassroots fundraising campaign to end this horrible situation.

The only way to get it under control is with funds. So please help! According to Varda Linett, you can make a charitable, tax-deductible donation through PayPal by going to your PayPal account (or open one...it is free and easy), and logging in. Go to "send money" and put in their email [jspca.jeru@gmail.com](mailto:jspca.jeru@gmail.com), click "purchases" and then "services." In addition, in the subject line, please type in Operation SOS - Save Our Stray. No amount is too small. And, no amount is too large! Every amount is greatly appreciated. The more funding that comes in, the more animals that can be treated and saved from procreating future litters, which, in turn, suffer and have more litters.

If you are an animal lover, or if you care about Israel, or if you simply have compassion, please contribute. Together, we can make a difference...one animal at a time. Please pass this information on to other family members and friends in other communities. This campaign is person to person, community to community. Only then can we truly help Israel.

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# BNAI TZEDEK TO HOLD TEEN MITZVAH DAY

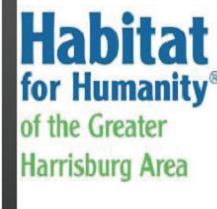
Bnai Tzedek is SUPER-EXCITED to announce its next upcoming event for Harrisburg area teens! On Sunday, March 18th, 2012 BnaiTzedek is holding a TEEN MITZVAH DAY. All teens are encouraged to participate. Ages 12-15 will help repaint Jewish Family Services Group Home. Ages 16 and up will help build a home with Habitat for Humanity. After a few hours of valuable mitzvah-doing, everyone will get back together for an ice cream party. All participants will get a leather slap bracelet to remember their helpful work!

All participants should bring \$5 and a kosher for Passover non-perishable food item to be donated to the JFS Kosher Food Pantry. To participate in this event, email [bnaitzedekhbg@gmail.com](mailto:bnaitzedekhbg@gmail.com).



# TEEN MITZVAH DAY

CALLING ALL TEENS 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> GRADE



Join Bnai Tzedek for Teen Mitzvah Day

Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup> 12:45 pm – 3:00 pm



Meet at the JCC at 12:45

Bring \$5 & a Passover non-perishable food item for the JFS Food Pantry

Ages 12-15: Help repaint the JFS Group Home

Ages 16 and up: Help build a home with Habitat for Humanity

Meet up after back at the J for an Ice Cream Party

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

•12-15  Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
 -JFS (Jewish Federation Service)

•16+   
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# ROSH HODESH... IT'S A GIRL THING

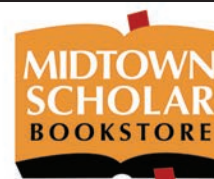
Chisuk Emuna Congregation is the proud sponsor of Rosh Hodesh It's a Girl Thing .....a program of Moving Traditions.

Through generous donations and fees charged, this program has been part of some area teen girls' monthly activities for the past six years. Group leaders have listened, guided, reviewed materials, prepared lessons, laughed and eaten snacks with over 100 girls from grades 6 through 10. The groups are made up of girls from many community synagogues and a variety of area schools. Some girls were friends before the group, others knew of each other and still others have met and made new friends.

The program is designed to help the girls grapple with the life issues they care about most including body image, popularity, friendship, romantic relationships and decision making. For the girls, the meetings are fun, age appropriate and help develop healthy self images.

Rosh Hodesh reflects the values of Jewish tradition and community that are relevant and meaningful to the lives of the girls. The program curriculum is leased from Moving Traditions.

Chisuk Emuna is happy to share the program with the teens in the Harrisburg area. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Ricci Doctrow at [ricirub@comcast.net](mailto:ricirub@comcast.net).



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## READING OF NAMES SCHEDULED for APRIL 18-19 AT BETH EL TEMPLE

Join the Jewish community on Wednesday evening, April 18 at Beth El Temple to commemorate Yom Hashoah with the Reading of Names, a vigil in which the names of our Kedoshim (those who lost their lives during the Holocaust) are read continuously over a period of 24 hours.

In order to continue passing the torch of memory to the next generation, students from congregational Religious Schools as well as the Silver

Academy will take part on the conduct of the opening ceremony.

Names are being read by a variety of Jewish and non-Jewish groups. Individuals, congregations, organizations, youth groups and churches have signed on to read names during the vigil.

Unto Every Person There is a Name seeks to dignify the memories of the victims of the Shoah (the Nazi Holocaust) by reading their names aloud.

These victims were stripped of their names by their oppressors and tattooed with numbers. Through the public reading of the names of Holocaust victims, this program strives to restore a portion of their humanity and to retrieve them for the lost depths of anonymity.

If you would like to have the opportunity to participate in the Reading of Names, please contact Lillian Rappaport at 236-9555, ext. 3402.

## BETH EL TEMPLE BOOK CLUB WELCOMES AUTHOR SHARON POMERANTZ WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 7:30 P.M.

Beth El Temple Book Club is delighted to welcome Sharon Pomerantz, author of *Rich Boy*, to Harrisburg on March 14 as she tours to promote the recently released paperback edition of her book. *Rich Boy*, her first novel, was the winner of the National Foundation for Jewish Culture's Goldberg Prize for Debut Fiction, and was chosen by Entertainment Weekly as one of the Ten Best Novels of 2010. It was also chosen by Booklist as one of the Ten Best First Novels of 2010. A sweeping saga, the story chronicles one man's journey from a blue collar Jewish suburb of 1950s Philadelphia to the high society of 1980's New York, capturing the intimate truths and hypocrisies of class, ambition, success and identity.

Sharon Pomerantz is familiar to many readers. Her short fiction has appeared in numerous literary journals, as well as on NPR's Selected Shorts program, and her story "Ghost Knife," originally published in *Ploughshares*, was included in *Best American Short Stories 2003*. As a non-fiction writer, Pomerantz contributes regularly to *Hadassah Magazine*, and has written for the *Jewish Week*, the *Forward* and the *Chicago Tribune*. She currently teaches writing at the University of Michigan.

Plan on joining us at Beth El Temple for a fascinating book discussion with author Sharon Pomerantz on Wednesday evening, March 14. The program begins at 7:30 p.m. in Rosen Sisterhood Hall. A dessert reception accompanies the program @ \$10 couvert per person. Come and bring a friend—the entire community is invited to participate in this very special event! Kindly RSVP to the Beth El Temple Office at 232-0556.



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### SHABBAT SERVICES

**Fridays**

February 24: Hors d'oeuvres, 5:45 p.m. Service, 6 p.m.

**Saturdays**

**February 25:** JAVA 'n' TORAH (Us and Them:Are We In This Together, Or Not), 9 a.m. Service, 10 a.m. Minchah 5:35 p.m.

**ADULT EDUCATION WITH RABBI CYTRYN: Tuesday,**

**February 28:** "Engaging Israel: Foundations for a New Relationship" 7:15 p.m.

Refreshments served

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## CHISUK EMUNA CONGREGATION

232-4851

[www.chisukemuna.org](http://www.chisukemuna.org)

[chisukemuna@comcast.net](mailto: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.

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

in Middletown, will conduct Purim services and Magillah Reading Saturday, March 10th at 7:00 pm. We are a community Shul, all are welcome.

Visit website for more information - [www.bnai-jacob.org](http://www.bnai-jacob.org)

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## KESHER ISRAEL CONGREGATION

238-0763

[www.kesherisrael.org](http://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

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## TEMPLE BETH SHALOM

697-2662

[www.tbshalom.org](http://www.tbshalom.org)

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## TEMPLE OHEV SHOLOM

233-6459

**Friday, February 24:** Family Shabbat Service, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

**Saturday, February 25:** Tot Shabbat, 10:30 a.m., Lehrman Chapel - Service for little ones from birth through age 6.

## community calendar

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

Senior Adult Lunch Program - 10 a.m., JCC Program: "Venice: Floating World" with Lecturer John Maietta, 12:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 1**

Senior Adult Lunch Program - 10 a.m., JCC Program: "Something Historic" with Herb Rochman

**SATURDAY, MARCH 3**

Adult Sports Banquet, 7:30 p.m., JCC

**SUNDAY, MARCH 4**

Purim Carnival, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., JCC

**TUESDAY, MARCH 6**

Senior Adult Lunch Program - 10 a.m., JCC Federation Board of Trustees Mtg., 7:30 p.m., JCC

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7**

EREV PURIM

**THURSDAY, MARCH 8 - PURIM**

Senior Adult Lunch Program - 10 a.m., JCC Program: Lunch N Learn: "The Improbable Lesson of the Sarajevo Hagaddah" with Susan Leviton

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## CONGREGATION

**BETH ISRAEL**

Lebanon

273-2669

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## CONGREGATION

**BETH TIKVAH**

Carlisle

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**BERNARD BLANK**

Bernard Blank, Brooklyn, NY, passed away on Saturday, February 11, 2012. Bernard was 87. He is survived by his wife, Aileen "Gloria" Blank; son Paul (Carol) Blank of Gettysburg; son David Blank, of Brooklyn; son Roger Blank, of Manhattan; and grandchildren Jessica, Lauren, and Marissa. Funeral services were held privately in New York. Your attendance at minyan or contributions to Beth El Temple will be a source of comfort to the family.

**ALLEN W. KOPLOVITZ**

Allen W. Koplovitz, 93, of Harrisburg, passed away on Sunday, February 05, 2012.

He was born on June 1, 1918 in Harrisburg, PA, a son of the late Joseph and Bessie (Gordon) Koplovitz. He was a 1935 graduate of William Penn High School and a WW II veteran of the United States Army Signal Corps. He retired as manager from Pantry Pride and Food Fair Stores with 40 years of service. He retired from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Revenue in 1999. He was a member of Chisuk Emuna Congregation and William S. Snyder Lodge #756 F&AM. Allen loved opera; classical music; the New York Giants; the New York Rangers and the San Francisco Giants.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife Virginia C. (McQuade) Koplovitz and brothers Dr. S. Lawrence Koplovitz, Israel Koplovitz and Irving Koplovitz. He is survived by his daughter, Marcia Spangler and her husband Tim B. of Harrisburg; grandchildren Ashley Allyn Lenno and her husband Frank of York, Ryan Patrick Spangler of Arlington, VA and a great-granddaughter Ava Allyn Lenno. Funeral services were held on Monday, February 6th in the Chapel of Chisuk Emuna Cemetery, with Rabbi Ron Muroff officiating. Burial was in Chisuk Emuna Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by the Hetrick-Bitner Funeral Home. To send condolences to the Koplovitz family, please go to [www.hetrickbitner.com](http://www.hetrickbitner.com).

**SYLVIA LEVY**

Sylvia Levy, 95, of Hilton Head, SC, and formerly of Harrisburg, passed away on Saturday, February 4, 2012 at home. She was born on January 30, 1917 in Wilkes Barre, PA to the late Moishe and Rose (Cimmet) Weinberger. Sylvia was a graduate of NYU and was a substitute teacher for William Penn High School and the Central Dauphin

School District. She was a member of Beth El Temple, Harrisburg, the Beth El Sisterhood, the Jewish Community Center, the Guild of the Jewish Home of Greater Harrisburg, and a life-long member of Hadassah. Sylvia enjoyed the arts, was an avid reader and kept up on all the happenings in politics and current events. She was the widow of Bernard Levy. Surviving are her two daughters, Janice Kaden of Hilton Head, SC, Alice Ginsburg and her husband Steve of Houston, Texas; three grandchildren, Roger Kaden and his wife Valerie, Jennifer Anne Kussman and her husband Ryan, Mitchell Ginsburg; and two great-grandsons, Jack Kaden, and Charlie Kaden. She was preceded in death by her brother Joseph Weinberger and her son-in-law Jerry Kaden.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, February 7th in the Chapel of Beth El Cemetery, with Rabbi Eric Cytryn officiating. Burial was in Beth El Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by the Hetrick-Bitner Funeral Home. Memorial contributions in Sylvia's honor may be made to the Jewish Home of Greater Harrisburg, 4000 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg, PA 17112 or to the Rabbi David L. Silver Yeshiva Academy, 3301 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110. To send condolences to the Levy family, please go to [www.hetrickbitner.com](http://www.hetrickbitner.com).

**ROBERT S. MIRIN**

Robert S. Mirin, 68, of Harrisburg, died Thursday, February 9, 2012 at the Jewish Home of Greater Harrisburg surrounded by his loving family and friends. He graduated from the University of Maryland, Vanderbilt Law School, George Washington University (Labor Law Masters), and was an attorney in private practice. Robert was the son of the late Simon and Eleanore Mirin and is survived by his wife Joanna (Bucciarelli); sons Sol and Seth (Abby); stepchildren Donna Fox, Donal Bankus, and Michael Bankus; grandchildren Ryeli, Paige, and Chelsea Mirin; step-grandchildren, Cole Bankus and Anina Fox; and a sister, Kathleen Brophy. Graveside services were held on Tuesday, February 14th at the Hershey Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to Chisuk Emuna Congregation Building Fund, P.O. Box 5507 Harrisburg, PA 17110. Hoover Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc. in Hershey handled arrangements. Share condolences with the family at [www.hooverfuneralhome.com](http://www.hooverfuneralhome.com).

**HELEN MAY ARLENE SEBASTIAN**

Helen May Arlene Sebastian, 82, of Harrisburg passed away peacefully Friday, February 3, 2012 at Harrisburg Hospital. Helen enjoyed traveling and spending time with her great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Albert S. Sebastian, and her son, Wayne J. Sebastian. Helen is survived by her sons John W. Sebastian of Harrisburg and Frank J. Sebastian and wife, Kelley, of Middletown; three daughters, Elvira M. Kesler and husband, John, of Harrisburg, Lorraine E. Sebastian of Harrisburg, and Deborah I. Barisch and husband, Loren, of Harrisburg; one sister, Sarah E. Drayer and her husband, Dean, of Lemoyne; 13 grandchildren, and many great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held on Friday, February 10th at Hetrick-Bitner Funeral Home. Burial will be at Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. To send condolences to the family, please visit <http://www.hetrickbitner.com>.

**TOBY ORSTEIN YABLOW**

Toby Orstein Yablow passed away on April 10, 2011, just two days after her 85th birthday. She had recently moved from West Palm Beach, Florida to East Norriton, PA, with her husband, Milton. Surviving, in addition to her husband, are a sister, Winnie Melman, Reseda California; daughters Toby Sterling (husband Dr. Richard) of North Wallis, PA, and Anne Kadar (husband Shimon) of Modim, Israel; grandchildren Blair, Allison, and Matthew Sterling, Gilad Kedar; nephews Jim (wife Helen) and Jeff (wife Lana) Melman, and grand-niece Rachel; great-nephews Zachary and Luke Melman.

Burial was in Shalom Memorial Park, Philadelphia PA. Contribution may be made to the Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg, 3301 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110;

Chisuk Emuna Congregation, P.O. Box 5509, Harrisburg, PA 17110; Temple B'nai Jacob of Wellington, 12794 W. Forest Hill Blvd. Ste #6, Wellington FL. 33414; or to a charity of your choice.

**NORMA GORDON**

Norma Gordon, 83, passed away on February 9, 2012. She was born on June 5, 1928. Within Lebanon, Norma was known for being a cherished religious school teacher and a member of Congregation Beth Israel Synagogue, Sisterhood, and Hadassah. Beloved wife of the late

Saul Gordon, Norma is survived by her daughters Amy S. Gordon of Rockville, MD and Debra L. Gordon of Lebanon, PA. She is also survived by her grandson, Jared A. Gordon. Services were held in Manchester, New Hampshire.

**JEFFREY SCOTT MAGID**

Jeffrey Scott Magid, 53, passed away at the Jewish Home of Greater Harrisburg on Sunday, February 12, 2012. He is survived by his wife, Jill Magid, his daughter, Samantha Magid, and his sister, Paula Spitz-Levitas of Harrisburg, PA. A private funeral service for family was held in Philadelphia. Arrangements were handled by the Hetrick-Bitner Funeral Home. To send condolences, to the Magid family, please go to [www.hetrickbitner.com](http://www.hetrickbitner.com).

**PAUL REIS**

Paul Reis passed away at the age of 82 in St. Louis Park, Minnesota. Paul was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and brother, who passed away peacefully in his home surrounded by his family. Paul was

preceded in death by his parents, Aaron and Rella, and his brother Corky. He leaves the love of his life and wife of 49 years, Doris; daughters, Andrea (Mitch) Goldberger and Rollie (Dan) Mather; grandsons, Max and Howie; brother, Lou (Elaine) Reis; and many adoring nieces, nephews and friends. Paul's funeral service was held on Tuesday, February 7th. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred and can be sent to the Howard Goldberger Endowment Fund at the St. Paul, MN JCC.

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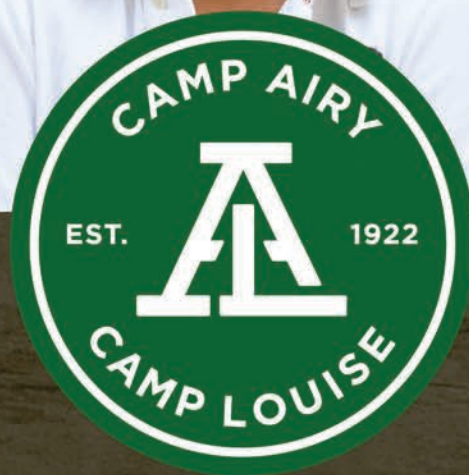
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