

## COMMUNITY PURIM CARNIVAL

By Mary Klaus

At first glance, an astronaut, Little Red Riding Hood and a tiny but fierce pirate appeared to have little to do with the Biblical Book of Esther.

But a closer look at the three Casher children dressed as these characters showed that they fit perfectly into the Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg's annual Community Purim Carnival.

About 300 people representing the five Harrisburg area synagogues, the Silver Academy and various Jewish groups participated in the recent high-spirited festival in the Jewish Community Center. Purim celebrates the deliverance of the Jews from their enemies in the biblical Book of Esther.

The federation celebration featured the traditional Megillah reading in Hebrew, complete with booing at the mention of Haman, the bad guy; and smiles at the mention of Queen Esther and Mordechai, the heroine and hero. The carnival included games, Purim songs and hamantaschen, triangle shaped filled cookies unique to this holiday. People of all ages (including rabbis) attended in costumes.

Wearing a black pirate's hat and gripping a plastic sword, Liam Casher looked about as fierce as any 5-year-old pirate could.

"I like pirates," he said, standing with his 11-year-old brother, Andrew, dressed as an astronaut; and their 8-year-old sister, Elly,

who came as Little Red Riding Hood. The children and their parents, Debby and David Casher of Susquehanna Twp. say Purim is pure fun.

"Our kids like to dress up," Debby Casher said.

They're not the only ones.

Gerald and Deana Schlegel of Susquehanna Twp. looked intimidating, he as Capt. Jack Sparrow and she as a maiden pirate. "We like the togetherness of this holiday," she grinned.

Mandy Cheskis, Chisuk Emuna education director, appeared regal as Queen Esther in a brown velvet gown and head piece. Earlier, she was one of 22 women who read the Megillah in Hebrew.

Avi Beck of Lower Paxton Twp. came as Spider Man while his wife, Anat, portrayed Super Girl; daughter Elle, 4, was Wonder Woman; and son, Michael, 3, came as a miniature Spider Man.

Tim Cottingham-Frye of Camp Hill wore a cape and carried a wand as he portrayed Ahasuerus. His wife, Chastity, called herself "Esther the cowgirl" while their daughter, Clancy, 7, portrayed a young Esther.

"I was Cowgirl Esther last night at the Ohev Sholom Purim Shpiel," said Chastity Cottingham-Frye. "This is one of my favorite holidays."

Throughout the auditorium, children participated in such activities as sand painting, grand slam ball rolling, "Sting the Bee,"

"Bullz Eye" and Penguin Fish. The Harrisburg Jewish Youth Choir took to the stage to sing spirit renditions of various Purim songs.

Terry Fisher, long-time baker of the community's hamantaschen,

smiled as she watched people enjoying the tasty pastries. This year, she made about 350 of them, filling them with cherry, apricot, apple, blueberry, poppy seed, chocolate nutella and peanut butter.

"Purim brings out the entire community, people from all five synagogues," said Andrea Weikert, Jewish Community Center program director. "It's a fun day for our families."



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### The Community Investor

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

#### Taxpayer Relief Act? Surely you jest...

I still cannot find the “relief” in The American Taxpayer Relief Act, that legislation that served to avoid the “fiscal cliff”.

For most working Americans, the 2% decrease in take home pay surely has had an effect. For higher income earners, there are even higher taxes from this “relief” bill. It is crucially important that we all, especially higher income individuals, look even more closely at tax planning and do everything to create our own “relief act”.

The legislation included higher income tax rates. The only benefit of higher rates is that charitable donations produce a higher percentage deduction for the donor.

Charitable remainder trusts and/or charitable gift annuities benefit the donor with the higher tax deductions they generate.

Senior donors who now enjoy tax free income from municipal bonds may find that the fixed income from a charitable gift annuity's tax free income amount, considered a return of principal, is greater than their municipal bond income, in addition to the tax deduction of the gift annuity itself.

Capital gains rates increased substantially (I cannot see where this is relief). There is thus, an even greater benefit to using appreciated securities for charitable gifts. The donor avoids the capital gain and the charity is not penalized.

Because we have a state income tax in Pennsylvania, our itemized deductions will automatically exceed the 3% floor, therefore our charitable deductions will be fully deductible up to the 50% of adjusted gross income maximum limit.

With the \$5.25 million (single) or \$10.5 million (married couple) estate tax threshold (this may actually be a form of relief!), the majority of us will have far greater freedom in naming our beneficiaries. Using IRAs, 401Ks or 403Bs to fund testamentary charitable remainder trusts can substantially reduce income tax on our retirement plans while providing an income to family members and then a remainder to our favorite charities. Individuals or couples with very large estates need to work with their financial advisors to be able to transfer assets to family members with little or no Federal gift or estate taxes. Estate planning is crucial.

The bottom line result of the “relief” we were given in The American Taxpayer Relief Act precipitates an even greater need to pay more attention to planning your finances both today and in your estate.

Your Jewish Community Foundation is here to help. Give us a call (717-236-9555 Ext. 3202) or take a look at what you can do at <https://pajewishendowment.org>.

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## SAVE A CHILD'S HEART

Due to the overwhelming support of the Harrisburg Jewish Community, we are able to sponsor 2 children through SACH!



**Glads from Tanzania**

Glads is a one year old girl from Mwanza, Tanzania, who was admitted to the Wolfson Medical Center on October 4, 2012 through Save a Child's Heart. Glads is the 3rd child in her family, with an older brother and an older sister. Glads was diagnosed with congenital heart disease when she was 4 months old. Her father is an accountant and her mother is a housewife. Glads is a bit shy, but once she gets to know people, opens up and shows her beautiful smile to everyone.

Congenital Heart Disease is a type of defect or malformation in one or more structures of the heart or blood vessels that occurs before birth. Congenital heart disease is responsible for more deaths in the first year of life than any other birth defects.

On October 16, 2012 Glads underwent complete surgical repair performed by Dr. Lior Sasson and his surgical team. After a recovery period in the hospital, Glads returned to the SACH house where she quickly started to bloom, and from there returned home to Tanzania

It is through the combined generosity of our community that we have been able to raise funds to cover the costs of travel, hospitalization, room & board, and recuperation at the SACH Children's House for Glads and Rand and, in turn, thousands of other children in third-world countries in critical need of life-saving cardiac surgery through Save A Child's Heart.



**Rand from Iraq**

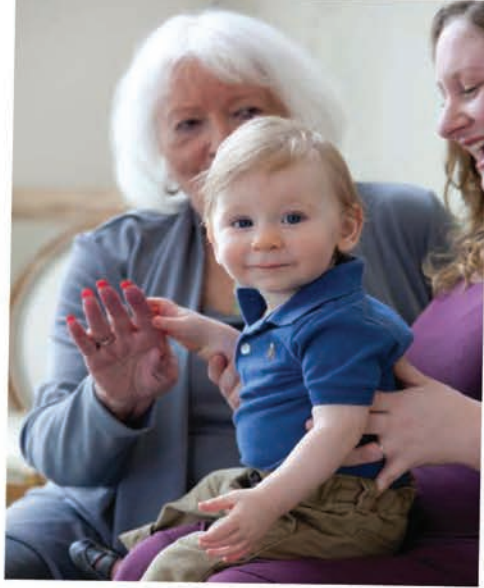
Rand is a little one year old boy from Iraq who is in Israel with his adoring mother. Rand has an incredible set of eyelashes and is more concerned with grabbing things that come into range of his adorable little hands than with his current state of health. However, his mother carries much of the burden of worrying for her son and his heart. She is a first grade teacher and is also very gentle with all the other children who are in Israel for heart surgery. Rand was diagnosed with congenital heart disease at birth.

Congenital Heart Disease is a type of defect or malformation in one or more structures of the heart or blood vessels that occurs before birth. Congenital heart disease is responsible for more deaths in the first year of life than any other birth defects.

Rand is currently in Israel waiting to undergo surgery.

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If you would like to join us for this event and are not yet a member,  
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# Second Annual Women's Megillah Reading - February 24, 2013

On Sunday, February 24, 2013, the morning of Purim 5773, women of Harrisburg embraced the legacy of Queen Esther as they gathered for the Second Annual Women's Megillah Reading at the Jewish Community Center. More than 70 women came together for this historic celebration, with participants representing every local synagogue and denomination.

Twenty-two women shared the honor of reading from the megillah, including several mother-daughter teams. Every generation was represented, from recent b'nai mitzvah to new mothers and veteran grandmothers. Those in attendance followed along in printed copies of the Megillah, which were donated specifically for this occasion.

The Book of Esther is a story about women who are not afraid to cross boundaries. Whether your favorite is Queen Vashti, who refused to conform to the role defined for her by the King, or Queen Esther who deftly manipulated her dual identity as both Persian royalty and as a Jew to save her people, this story is rich with examples of women's heroism in the ancient world that continue

to have relevance today.

Is there any better way to celebrate Purim than to break down the boundaries that divide us all year? Attendees were giddy with excitement about the strengths, talents and bravery that were demonstrated by women in our community, several of whom read publicly from a sacred scroll that morning for the very first time.

It is a tribute to the women of Harrisburg that we could come together to support one another as we honor the Feast of Purim. Many thanks to the Jewish Community Foundation of Central Pennsylvania for its sponsorship of this important community initiative.



# COMMUNITY PURIM CARNIVAL





## Ballroom Dance Lessons at the HBG JCC



November's Dancing with the JCC Stars event helped to spark an interest in ballroom dance for some individuals in the community. Based on the desire members expressed in learning how to dance, the Sports and Fitness Department recently held a five-week ballroom dance class that taught couples how to do two dances--the Rhumba and Swing. The classes were taught by an outstanding instructor from PA Dance Sport located in Hummelstown. Ricci Doctrow commented, "We had so much fun laughing while we danced and got some exercise. We will definitely look to take another class in the future at the JCC."

SFR Director Terri Travers stated, "We had 9 couples participate in this first series of classes. Due to the wonderful response we will be offering another five-week session starting in April." The program is scheduled to begin April 7 and will run on Sundays from 6-7pm. The class must have a minimum of 8 couples in order to run. Cost is \$100/JCC Couple or \$150 for a Non-Member Couple. To register contact 236-9555 ext. 0. Questions may be directed to Terri at t.travers@jewishfedhbg.org

# Community-Wide Israel @ 65 Celebration

Sunday, April 14, 2013

Jewish Community Center, 3301 N Front Street, Harrisburg

**Free Admission** – lunch will be served at a nominal fee.

**9:15 am**

Opening Ceremonies

**9:30 am**

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Activities for the entire family after the Walk until 1:00 pm!

7:00 pm Screening of Follow Me: Yoni Netanyahu Story



# YOM HASHOAH OBSERVANCES

## HOLOCAUST MONUMENT OBSERVANCE

The commemoration at the Holocaust monument on Riverfront Park will take place on Sunday, April 7 at 11:00 am. Winners of the high school and middle school divisions of the Schwab Holocaust Essay contest will read their essays. Jean Chernicoff will share the Holocaust experiences of her mother, Lisl Winternitz Bogart, a Holocaust survivor from Czechoslovakia.

## READING OF NAMES

On Sunday evening, April 7, Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Memorial Day) will be commemorated with the "Reading of Names" program to be held at Temple Ohev Sholom, 2345 North Front Street in Harrisburg. This meaningful program will begin at 7:30 PM with a special opening service led by children from congregational Religious Schools and the Silver Academy. Following the opening ceremony, a vigil in which the names of those who perished will be read continuously over a period of 24 hours.

"Unto Every Person There is a Name" seeks to dignify the memories of 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 from the lost depths of anonymity. For more information or if you would like to sign up for reading, please contact Lillian Rappaport at the Jewish Community Center, 236-9555, ext. 3402.

## HOLOCAUST CIVIC COMMEMORATION

The annual Holocaust Civic commemoration, co-sponsored by the Governor's Office and the Pennsylvania Jewish Coalition, will occur in the Governor's Reception Room in the State Capitol. More details will be forthcoming.

# Israeli Folk Dancing with Danny Pollock

In collaboration with the Susquehanna Folk Music Society (SFMS), the JCC is pleased to present two classes of Israeli dancing with dance instructor Danny Pollock of New York, on Sunday, April 7. Both classes will be held in Mary Sachs Auditorium. Please pay at the door.

- 1:30 p.m. Dances of the 21st Century will feature the most popular "new" line dances from the past 10-12 years
- 3:00 p.m. Dances of the 20th Century will cover "classic" Israeli dances created by choreographers such as Shlomo Bachar and Moshiko Halevy

No partners are needed.

Dancers should wear soft-soled shoes and loose clothing suitable for dancing.

Price per workshop:

- \$16 General Admission
- \$12 JCC/SFMS Members
- \$10 Students age 12-22

Danny is a master teacher of Israeli folk dance in New York City. He has taught Israeli folk dance classes, sessions, and workshops for the past 30 years, including two previous times at the JCC. He has created children's dances, performed with numerous Israeli dance troupes including Parparim and Screaming Sa'adya, and served as a Tap Captain for Macy's "Tap-O-Mania" for 15 years. Currently, at the 92nd Street Y, he is teaching folk dance in the Sixty+ Program as well as dance classes for special needs children, a position he has had for 13 years.

Danny has been involved with the New York Israel Folk Dance Festival for the past 25 years as performer, assistant to the director, "Finale Man" and community dancing leader.

For additional information, contact Kate Carpenter at the Silver Academy or Bart Carpenter at bart.carpenter@sfmsfolk.org.



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# Silver Academy's

## "Race for Education"

The Silver Academy students are planning to go on more field trips in the coming year by Walking, Running and Jogging! This is not a novel way of saving gas and money. The exercise is all part of the school's first "Race for Education" that will take place on April 29th, sponsored by the PTO. The "Race for Education" will assist the school in enriching their curriculum with field trips, additional educational materials and other important classroom resources, without having to sell "products" to friends and neighbors.

At 10 am on April 29, the morning of Lag Ba'Omer (Field Day) students of the Silver Academy will walk or jog their way around the JCC field and parking lot as many times as possible within an hour. The program will not only raise important funds for specialty items that are important to the students, it will emphasize the benefits of exercise and, most importantly, education.

Numerous awards will be given out in the process, both for physical challenge successes (class with the most laps) and program successes (collection of the most contacts for sponsorship). No prize, however, is quite so coveted by the students as the challenge laid down by the Principal himself, Nachum Chasan, who has pledged that if the goal of \$6500 is reached, he will DYE HIS HAIR BLUE.

The excitement is palpable as the deadline approaches and the students prepare for their race. The whole community is invited to get involved, be it through contributions (tax deductible) or by coming out and cheering the students as they race. Sponsorships may also be made directly to the program by contacting Deb Weinstein at [weinstein.deb@gmail.com](mailto:weinstein.deb@gmail.com). Together we can make the Race for Education a great success.

## HEBREW HIGH GRADUATION SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 21

The entire community is cordially invited to attend the Harrisburg Hebrew High School graduation ceremony on Sunday evening, April 21, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Jewish Community Center. Hebrew High graduation is achieved upon completion of five years of post B'nai Mitzvah Jewish education.

We are very proud of the students who make up the 2013 Hebrew High School graduating class:

**Ethan DeBroff**, son of Traci and Scott Debroff

**Jake DeBroff**, son of Traci and Scott Debroff

**Annie Doctrow**, daughter of Ricci and Michael Doctrow

**Gabe Freedman**, son of Margaret and Charles Freedman

**Sophia K. Fox**, daughter of Jeanette Krebs and Barry Fox, z"l

**Rachel Glick**, daughter of Margaret Grotzinger and Mark Glick

**Dani Oken**, daughter of Ilene and Kenneth Oken

**Lila Portman**, daughter of Kellie and Kip Portman

**Ali Rosenthal**, daughter of Robin and Avi Rosenthal

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**Ali Rubin**, daughter of Jennifer and Stephen Rubin

**Rebecca Solomon**, daughter of Mindy and Richard Solomon

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**Jessie Weber**, daughter of Sherrie and Matthew Weber

**Emily Wolf**, daughter of Susan and Donald Wolf

A very joyful mazel tov to our Hebrew High graduates and their families! We look forward to sharing our pride in their accomplishments with the community.



*During Passover we reconnect with our roots as we celebrate our ancestors' exodus from Egypt. This defining moment in our history binds us together as a people and connects us to our fellow Jews everywhere.*

*This is our legacy and it reflects who we are. Our collective commitment to one another is what makes our Jewish community strong.*

## Happy Passover

*from the Board of Directors and the Staff*

*of the Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg*



**Garry Brinton, CFM**  
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## CFI welcomes Garry Brinton to the Management Team.

CFI Central Pennsylvania regional office promises to be fully operational quickly, with projections to bring several new staff positions in the region.

Garry brings nearly 30 years of experience to CFI. He was previously co-owner and principal of FP+A, President of The Brinton Group and Vice President of Reliable Business Interiors. He has been a Certified Facility Manager (CFM) since 2001. He is a graduate of Hamilton College and SUNY- Syracuse.

He has spoken at numerous international conferences including NEOCON, NFM&T and World Workplace. He is active in his community and has served on the boards of the Allied Arts Fund, The Dixon University Center, the Rotary Club of Harrisburg and The Central PA Chapter of IFMA. He is currently the Second Vice President of the Facility Management Consultants Council of IFMA. Garry is married and has three daughters. He enjoys road biking, travel, backpacking and a good craft beer.



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## synagogue life

### BETH EL TEMPLE BOOK CLUB

#### REVIEWS THE DOVEKEEPERS AT APRIL MEETING

"The Dovekeepers," by Alice Hoffman, is the current Beth El Temple Book Club selection. The Book Club will meet on Wednesday, April 3, 7:30 p.m. in the Schein Annex at Beth El Temple. Jennifer Ross will review the book and lead discussion.

In this historical novel, which takes place on Masada two thousand years ago, Hoffman brings to life a spellbinding tale of four extraordinarily bold, resourceful, complex and fiercely independent women whose lives intersect in the desperate days of the Roman siege. All are dovekeepers, and all are also keeping secrets—about who they are, where they come from, who fathered them, and whom they love.

The Beth El Temple Book Club, open to all avid readers, is dedicated to exploring contemporary Jewish literature. The Club meets bi-monthly for review and discussion of a selected book, with opportunity for a lively exchange of ideas, camaraderie and light nosh. Please call the Temple Office (232-0556) to RSVP your attendance on April 3. We look forward to seeing you.

## Unto Every Person There Is a Name

### Holocaust Commemoration

April 7-8, 2013

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**Please join us for the opening ceremony**  
**Sunday, April 7, 7:30 pm**

The Reading of Names will begin at 7:30 pm on Sunday, April 7 and will continue through 7:30 pm on Monday, April 8

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 BBG Spaghetti Dinner, 5 pm – 7 pm, JCC

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### THURSDAY APRIL 4

Senior Lunch Program, 10 am, JCC  
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## CANDLELIGHTING

March 22..... 7:01 p.m.  
 March 29..... 7:09 p.m.  
 April 3 ..... 7:45 p.m.

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## BETH EL TEMPLE PRESENTS "CRITICAL ISSUES" ADULT EDUCATION SERIES

Four Mondays beginning April 8

Please join Beth El Temple Educational Director Bob Axelrod for his popular series "Critical Issues Facing the Contemporary American Jewish Community." With a focus on the Jewish perspective of each topic, Bob reviews current events in the news, places the issues within historical context, and encourages spirited discussion among participants.

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If you follow events in the news you will be sure to hear about them in Bob Axelrod's "Critical Issues" series and put them in the context of what Judaism has to say about the core issues. Please RSVP to the Beth El Temple Office (232-0556) so we know how many to plan for. All are welcome.



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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 and individuals, congregations, organizations, youth groups and churches have signed on to read for portions of 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.

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Passover Services 9:00 a.m. March 26, March 27, April 1 & April 2 (Yizkor)

**April 3:** Beth El Temple Book Club 7:30 p.m. "The Dovekeepers" Adult Education with Bob Axelrod

"Critical Issues Facing the American Jewish Community" 7:15 p.m. Four Monday evenings beginning April 8  
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**Friday, April 12:** Soup & Study Service, 6:00 pm, Lehrman Chapel

**Saturday, April 13:** B'nai Mitzvah, 10:30 am, Sanctuary

**Friday, April 19:** Family Shabbat Service, 7:30 pm, Sanctuary

**Saturday, April 20:** B'nai Mitzvah, 10:30 am, Sanctuary

**Friday, April 26:** Shabbat Service, 6:00 pm, Lehrman Chapel

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**ANNETTE ARONOFF  
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Virginia Beach, VA - Annette Aronoff Brenner passed away peacefully on February 26, 2013 surrounded by her family. Born in Newport News on January 9, 1921, Annette was one of five children of Isadore and Bertha Aronoff. She graduated from Newport News High School, and then worked during World War II as an administrative assistant at Fort Monroe. She married Benjamin Fred "Buck" Brenner in 1950, and they had two children, Theodore (Ted) and Stuart. The couple worked side-by-side running Brenner's Warwick Bakery in Newport News, along with Buck's brother David and wife Ada and the sons' father Hyman Brenner. Buck died in 1985, shortly after selling the bakery.

Ted and Stuart say their mother, who was active in the women's auxiliary at Adath Jeshurun Synagogue in Newport News, lived a life of quiet dignity. Several years

after her husband's passing, she moved from the family home in the Christopher Shores neighborhood in Newport News to an apartment in Norfolk. Just over two years ago, she entered the Terrace assisted-living facility at Beth Sholom Village in Virginia Beach where she lived until her death.

Annette stayed in touch with her large extended family through regular birthday and anniversary cards. Her handwriting was as exceptional as the warm thoughts she expressed. Like her husband and sons, she grew to love sports, particularly the Los Angeles Lakers and Atlanta Braves.

Mrs. Brenner, who was predeceased by her brother Marcus Aronoff and sister Harriet Klavan, is survived by two sisters, Gerline Lerner and Rebecca Green; her son Ted of Richmond, VA, his wife JoAnn and their daughters Beth and Debra; and her son Stuart of Harrisburg, PA, his wife Rene and their sons Benjamin and Jason.

Ted and Stuart express their

heartfelt gratitude to the staff at Beth Sholom Village and Medi Home Heath and Hospice for the outstanding care they provided their mother.

A graveside service took place at the Hebrew Cemetery in Hampton on Thursday, February 28th with Rabbi Michael Panitz of Temple Israel in Norfolk, Annette's final home synagogue, presiding. A shiva service was held at Beth Sholom Village after the funeral. Contributions may be made in Mrs. Brenner's memory to Beth Sholom Village in Virginia Beach. Peninsula Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**MARY BAKER**

Mary Baker, 95, passed away Saturday, March 2, 2013. She was born February 9, 1918, in Philadelphia. Mary is survived by her daughters Joyce (Saul z"l) Cohen and Ellen (Richard) Rosen, her 4 grandchildren Max (Marie) Cohen, Lauren (Andrew) Gerofsky, Tony Cohen, and Leslie (Ross)

Wiener; her brother, Morton and sister Eleanor. Mary was also blessed with 8 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandson. She was preceded in death by her husband of 46 years, Simon Baker.

A private graveside service was held in Philadelphia on Wednesday, March 6th. A memorial service to celebrate Mary's life was held on Thursday, March 14th at Beth El Temple. Donations can be made to the Guild of the Jewish Home.

**BARBARA M. STEINBERG**

Barbara M. Steinberg (nee Menaker), of Melrose Park, passed away on Monday, March 4, 2013. She was the wife of Chuck; mother of Jonathan (Rebecca) Steinberg and Mindy (Danny) McGrath; sister of Susan (Ev) Whitehead and Carol (Jerry Thomas) Menaker; and grandmother of Madelyn

and Andrew Steinberg. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, March 6th at Congregation Adath Jeshurun, Elkins Park. Interment was in Adath Jeshurun Cemetery. Contributions in her memory may be made to Congregation Adath Jeshurun or to the Barbara M. Steinberg Fund at the Associated Alumni of Central High School, P.O. Box 26580, Phila. PA 19141. [www.goldsteinsfuneral.com](http://www.goldsteinsfuneral.com)

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