

SUNDAY MAY 5TH OPENING FOR THE JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

At last! On Sunday, May 5th -- hot on the heels of the tremendously well-attended Yom Hazikaron screening of Follow Me--it's Opening Night for the Harrisburg Jewish Film Festival. There's been plenty of buzz around Hava Nagila (The Movie) since it premiered at the San Francisco Jewish Film Festival six months ago -- now it's your turn to see for yourselves this delightfully surprising documentary about the song you thought you knew so well. Join us in the Mary Sachs at 7 p.m. A dessert reception will follow the screening.

On Monday, make your way downtown to the State Museum of Pennsylvania for one treat after another -- beginning with the newly refurbished, re-cushioned seats in the auditorium -- throughout the rest of Festival Week. The quirky French comedy The Day I Saw Your Heart opens things at 5:30 on Monday afternoon, and like most of the films, will have an encore presentation later in the week.

The award-winning short Elijah the Prophet will only be screened once, at 7:30 on Monday evening the 6th, as part of the My Best Enemy program, so mark your calendars for that now.

Dolphin Boy will also only be screened once, as part of

our guest speaker event on Wednesday the 8th, at 7:30. Executive producer Judith Manassen-Ramon, who is well-versed in the issue of post-trauma in Israel, will answer questions after the screening.

The Festival will present an out-and-out happening on Saturday night, May 11th. Mary Lou: a Night of Dreams and Music, will start with a dairy, kosher-style reception at 6:30, and will be followed by a screening of the acclaimed Israeli miniseries Mary Lou at 7:00. At film's end, all ticket holders are invited to walk across the street to Stallions Night Club to continue the fun at a one-hour live drag show, compliments of Stallions Entertainment Complex. Don't miss it! (Cover charge applies to non-ticketholders.)

On Sunday the 12th - Mother's Day - two encore screenings will be held at the State Museum at 2:30 and 4:30 p.m., the start times chosen so as not to interfere with Mother's Day brunch or dinner. The Festival committee wishes a Happy Mother's Day to all, and hopes that you choose to spend some of your time that day with us.

Tickets for Hava Nagila (The Movie) and Mary Lou: a Night of Dreams and Music are \$10.00; tickets for all other

sessions are \$8.00. Season passes for \$50 (a savings of \$18) will be available on Opening Night. Details about the films and special events can be found on the Harrisburg Jewish Film Festival website (www.hbgjff.com) and in your Festival program, which was mailed to each household throughout the community

a few weeks ago. Tips for parking around the State Museum can also be found in the Festival program, and we are again pleased to offer -- with thanks to Mickey and Edan Shefet and the Zodiac Under 21 Club -- the Stallions Club lot across 3rd Street, as a free parking option.

The Harrisburg Jewish

Film Festival has been well-supported by this community for many years. As ever, we look forward to seeing our loyal patrons again this season, and hope to expand our audience as we continue to share interesting and entertaining films from around the world.

See you at the movies!

2013 Harrisburg Jewish Film Festival DAY BY DAY SCHEDULE		
Sunday 5.5.13	7:00 P.M.	HAVA NAGILA (THE MOVIE) OPENING EVENT AT THE JCC
Monday 5.6.13	5:30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.	THE DAY I SAW YOUR HEART ELIJAH THE PROPHET/MY BEST ENEMY
Tuesday 5.7.13	5:30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.	JOANNA FOOTNOTE
Wednesday 5.8.13	5:30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.	A BOTTLE IN THE GAZA SEA DOLPHIN BOY (WITH GUEST SPEAKER JUDITH MANASSEN -RAMON)
Thursday 5.9.13	5:30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.	MY BEST ENEMY JOANNA
Friday 5.10.13	5:30 P.M.	FOOTNOTE
Saturday 5.11.13	6:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M. 9:30 P.M.	RECEPTION MARY LOU MARY LOU: A NIGHT OF DREAMS AND MUSIC (FREE OF CHARGE TO MARY LOU TICKET HOLDERS) AT STALLIONS, 3RD STREET, ACROSS FROM THE STATE MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA
Sunday 5.12.13	2:30 P.M. 4:30 P.M.	A BOTTLE IN THE GAZA SEA THE DAY I SAW YOUR HEART

Chemical Weapons in Syria and its Effects on the Region

By Congressman Scott Perry

During a recent House Foreign Affairs Committee hearing, I had the opportunity to question the U.S. Ambassador to Syria, Ambassador Robert Ford. While I appreciate the Ambassador's testimony, his remarks left me concerned about our plans to contain Syria's vast stockpile of chemical weapons.

A variety of news reports suggest that the Syrian Army likely already has used chemical weapons on its own people in an attack on the city of Homs. Ambassador Ford readily confirmed during his testimony that the Syrian government has the largest stockpile of chemical weapons in the Middle East. The Ambassador reiterated that the Syrian government's chemical weapons stockpile includes sarin gas, choking agents and blister agents.

What concerns me about Ambassador Ford's testimony was his inability to give a definitive answer to what the Obama Administration's plan is to contain Syria's chemical weapons. When asked, Ambassador Ford said, "I don't want to go there." While I appreciate the sensitivity in refraining from speculation on hypothetical situations, it's important for the American people – and the world – to know what we can expect to see if chemical weapons are or were used in Syria and how we expect to contain them.

If the situation in Syria continues to deteriorate, the use or proliferation of chemical weapons will be very quick, and we don't want to be in a

position of "Monday morning quarter- backing." The American people and our closest ally in the region, Israel, must know we have a plan.

Syria has an estimated 1,000 Scud ballistic missiles and 4,000 shoulder-fired missiles to target civilian or military aircraft. The Assad regime has missiles that have the range and the capability to strike Israel with chemical weapons. The distance between the Syrian capital of Damascus and Jerusalem is only 135 miles; a shorter distance than the trip between Harrisburg and Pittsburgh. If chemical weapons were used or if proliferation did occur, a strike on Israel would be fast, which is why we need to know the Administration's plan to defend our strong ally, Israel.

In addition to concerns about the potential spread of chemical weapons and the safety of Israel, I made the point to Ambassador Ford that with the recent anniversary of the war in Iraq, it's even more important to understand our plan. Justifiably, many have questioned what happened in Iraq, why we did what we did, and what we got out of it. If we don't want to end up in a similar situation, we must learn from previous mistakes. Right now, I'm not sure that the American people are confident that we have a plan or that we've learned anything from history.

Unfortunately, based upon the Ambassador's testimony, it appears that we're relying on the Assad regime and its allies to ensure that WMDs are not used and that they remain secure. I sure hope there's a more comprehensive plan than this. Otherwise, this seems like the fox is guarding the hen house.

Carol Hoffman to receive the Ben Cherry Inspirational Athlete Award



the annual JFGH meeting. This award honors commitment to physical fitness, positive attitude, and dedication to the JCC. Carol embraces each of these qualities. You can find her almost everyday in the fitness center either taking a spin class, bodyblast class, or using the elliptical and weight machines. Carol considers the JCC her "home away from home" and goes out of her way to make others feel welcomed in our building.

Carol grew-up in Long Island, but other than the remnant of a NewYork accent you would never know she is not a Harrisburg native. She is married to Arthur Hoffman (a Harrisburg native whose mother, Pearl Hoffman, and Aunt, Elkie Koplovitz, were well- respected and long-tenured teachers at the Silver Academy) and together raised three

children: Shelley, Rebecca, and Daniel. Carol proudly declares "Arthur grew up in this building, and so did my kids. They went to school here, played iddy/biddy basketball, attended summer camp, and worked as camp counselors and lifeguards."

Carol Hoffman (yes – that's her maiden name, too) and Art Hoffman met at Northwestern University in Chicago, and both obtained post-graduate degrees from George Washington University (Carol – MBA; Art – J.D.). They married in 1978 and spent the following year in Israel. The young couple settled in Harrisburg in 1981 and "the first thing we did was join the JCC." Carol was a dedicated athlete from the start, initially focused on swimming. A 2005 cancer survivor, Carol now spends most her workout time

on cardio machines and in spin or body-sculpting classes. She is a fixture at our fitness center and "loves the new equipment and instructors."

Whether as a finely conditioned athlete or an ambassador of the JCC, Carol Hoffman, just like Ben Cherry, is an inspiration to the JCC fitness community.

Ben Cherry was a fixture in the Fitness Center from playing racquetball in his younger years to walking on the treadmill later on in life. He was truly inspirational. Ben was the guy in the gym who showed that age does not matter when it comes to physical fitness. He made sure to get his minutes on the treadmill, followed with some light weights and ended his routine with stretching. Ben always left the gym with a smile on his face.

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The Community Investor

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

Last month we celebrated Passover, recalling how our ancestors fled from slavery in Egypt. Seder nights saw our youngest ask the four questions, “Why on this night...”.

For the first time in the Ross

family, one of our grandchildren was old enough to show us what she learned by asking the questions. Yes, we did kvell, as did millions of grandparents around the world when their grandchildren ‘performed’ for them in this Jewish right of passage.

As I thought about the importance of the seder and of our commemoration of Passover, I questioned who was going to teach my grandchildren’s grandchildren to ask the four questions. I know that the Judaic training performed now by day schools, afternoon and Sunday classes in the synagogues, are becoming more and more of a financial burden for young families strapped with mortgages, student loans and the increasingly high cost of living. I also know from

Pesach Past

the statistics that too many young families are opting out of giving their children a Jewish education, in too many cases because of the financial burden.

A few years back, I participated in a think tank exploring how to make synagogue membership more affordable for young families. We explored a number of concepts, but returned to the only one that would actually work; making sure there was enough money in endowments to assure that the synagogues and day schools had the funding so they did not have to charge high fees to learn.

Our synagogues and our Silver Academy are experiencing the same fiscal challenges as every other school and synagogue in the country. Educating our children is expensive.

We, “the people of the book”, place a high priority on education. We have held together as “the people of the book” because of our commitment to Jewish education. We cannot stop now!

If you want to assure that your great-great-grandchildren ask the four questions as you did as a child; if you want to make a difference in the future of the Jewish people, let’s get together and help assure that your synagogue and/or the Silver Academy will be able to offer good, quality Jewish education without it becoming a prohibitive financial burden to the young families of the community.

Create a Jewish legacy and assure that our grandchildren’s seders continue to be “different from all other nights”.

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Senior Adult Club Installations of Officers May 7th, 2013

Please come to our Installation of new officers on
Tuesday, May 7, 2013.

Our new slate of officers is:

Sally Kravets-Treasurer

Carla Silverman and Zelda Arch – Financial Secretaries

Harriet Kopp-Recording Secretary

Barbara Lock-Corresponding Secretary

Roberta Berdofe-Social Vice-President

Roberta Krieger-Membership Vice-President

Nancy Bayuk-President

Ann Feierman – President Emeritus

The following are our Chairpersons:

Esther Boldes – Publicity Chairperson

Roberta Berdofe and Ruth Stein-Nominating Chairperson

Dan Kaplan & Ira Silverman – 50/50 Ticket Sales Chairpersons

Helen Cytryn – Weekly discussion leader

Al Goodman-Monthly Sing-A-Long Pianist

Carl Zeiders, Audrey Soffer, Roberta Krieger, Cheryl Yablon,

Lois Morgan – Lunch Set-Up volunteers

Norman Gras & Raymon Rodriguez-Cruz - Caterers

Faye Richter, Howard & Beverly Ross & Cheryl Yablon –

Kitchen volunteers

Cheryl Yablon-Advisor & Trip Coordinator

As Esther Boldes, Past Corresponding Secretary said in 2007:
Dear Seniors and “Not So Seniors”;

After the installation of our officers in May we are looking forward to an interesting new year with new trips and new innovative programs to interest you and in your interest.

Won't you join us in this endeavor? Volunteer some of your free time and expertise. Or even just come for fellowship, share our meals and listen to our programs.

Every one is welcome and appreciated and your input to better our meetings and programs is welcome.

For reservations for our Installation, please call Cheryl at 236-9555 Ext. 3115.

DELAWARE ART MUSEUM AND LONGWOOD GARDENS DAY TRIP WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2013

The JCC Senior Adult club is planning a day trip to the Delaware Art Museum and Longwood Gardens on June 19, 2013. One usually needs to belong to our Senior Adult Club in order to go on these day trips, but we would like to offer this trip to any senior who would like to join us. We feel once you've gone on one of our excursions you'll want to go with us again! We always have a great time together.

We leave on Wednesday, June 19th at 7:45am. We have a guided tour at the museum from 10-11am you will then have time to explore the museum on your own from 11am-12 noon. At noon we have a salmon lunch and then leave for Longwood gardens. From 1:30-2:20pm you can explore the gardens on your own and from 2:30-3:30pm we have a guided tour. After the tour you will have another hour to explore or visit the gift shop. We leave for home by 4:30pm. The cost for this trip is \$60 which is all inclusive. Please call Cheryl for reservations, 236-9555 EXT. 3115. Registration and payment deadline is May 30m 2013. Please make your checks payable to the JCC Senior Adult Club.

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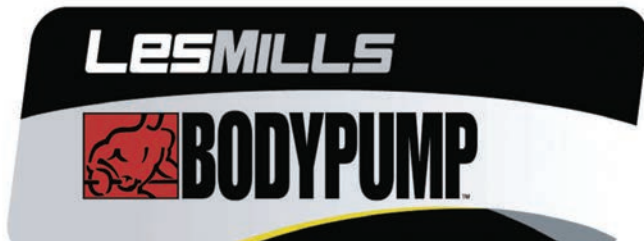
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Monday: 5:30–6:30 pm

Wednesday: 5:30–6:30 pm



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Class Schedule:

Tuesday: 5:30—6:30 pm

Thursday: 5:30– 6:30 pm

Friday: 9 —10 am

Sunday: 9:15 —10:15 am



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JCC Adult Programs

Classes available at the Jewish Community Center:

- SilverSneakers® MSROM** – Have Fun and move to the music through a variety of exercises designed to increase muscular strength, range of movement, and activity for daily living skills. Hand-held weights, elastic tubing with handles, and a ball are offered for resistance, and a chair is used for seated and/or standing support. Tuesday/Thursday mornings 9:15 -10:00 a.m. AND Wednesday morning at 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. Drop-in Fee \$5.00 per class. Free to JCC members and SilverSneakers® participants.
- SilverSneakers® CardioFit** – Get up & go with an aerobic class for you – safe, heart healthy and gentle on the joints. The workout includes easy to follow low-impact movement and upper body strength, abdominal conditioning, stretching and relaxation exercises designed to energize your active lifestyle. Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:45-11:30 a.m. Drop-in Fee \$5 per class. Free to JCC members and SilverSneakers® participants.
- SilverSneakers® YogaStretch** –YogaStretch will move your whole body through a complete series of seated and standing yoga poses. Chair support is offered to safely perform a variety of postures designed to increase flexibility, balance and range of movement. Restorative breathing exercises and final relaxation will promote stress reduction and mental clarity. Mondays and Wednesdays 11:45-12:30 p.m. Drop-in Fee \$5 per class. Free to JCC members and SilverSneakers® participants.
- Gentle Yoga** – Easy Poses for those new to Yoga. Must be able to get down on to floor. Mondays at 9:45 -10:30 a.m. or Tuesdays at 5:00-5:45 p.m. Drop-in Fee \$5 per class. Free to JCC members and SilverSneakers® participants.
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The Jewish Community Center is offering the following senior events:

Every Tuesday at 9:15 a.m.-10:15 a.m. SilverSneakers MSROM
10:15AM – Discussion Group

Every Thursday at 9:15 a.m.-10:15 a.m. – SilverSneakers MSROM
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:

May 7, 2013 – Installation of Officers

May 9, 2013 – Al Goodman, Sing-A-Long

May 14, 2013 – Dr. Donald Koones will speak about “Famous Pennsylvanians”

May 16, 2013 – No Meeting Shavuot

May 21, 2013 -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!

May 22, 2013 – Bus Trip to Allenberry to see “Full Monty”

May 23, 2013 – Chuck Kline – “Israel Update”

May 28, 2013 – Movie Day, “The Quarrel”; Winner of 8 International Awards, 90 minutes in length.

May 30, 2013 – “Weight-Who Needs It!” – Discussion led by Bruce Bayuk

Israel @ 65 Celebration at the JCC, April 14, 2013



Protect Your Skin This Summer

By Virginia Galbraith-Snow, LPN, SeniorLinks Case Manager

Now that summer is approaching, our thoughts turn to vacation, camp, picnics and other outdoor activities for our children and ourselves. Although we should be protecting our skin from harmful ultra violet rays all year around, we should be particularly mindful during the summer when we spend more time outdoors.

Protect your EYES! Always wear sunglasses, and look for ones with a UV protective coating. Wide rim hats, ball caps and other caps with visors are a good way to shade your eyes, head and face from the sun.

Stay HYDRATED! Drink lots of water, avoid alcoholic and sugary drinks.

Protect your SKIN! Use creams and lotions with a SPF (sun protection factor) of 30+ to protect against harmful UV rays. Apply those creams and lotions often as water and sweat reduces their effectiveness.

General Skin Precaution! Be aware of skin moles or other skin eruptions. Any changes in asymmetry, borders that are uneven, color that is irregular, moles with diameters over ¼ inch or any evolution of change should be checked out with your physician.

The staff at SeniorLinks, a program of Jewish Family Service, wishes everyone a wonderful and safe summer!



BAR MITZVAH JACOB ANDREW CHADWELL



Jacob Andrew Chadwell will be celebrating his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 25th, 2013 at Chisuk Emuna Congregation. Sadly, he will be finished with his many years at the wonderful Chisuk Emuna Hebrew School, having had excellent teachers every single year, and the best principal, Mandy Cheskis, and the best rabbi, Rabbi Muroff.

Jake is the youngest brother of three; his brothers Ben and Alex adore him and he adores them too, even though he won't admit it. Jake is in 7th grade at Infinity Charter School, which he enjoys immensely. He plays piano as well as baseball, soccer and basketball. He is a Boy Scout, too.

Jake has begun to dabble in theatre, following in the footsteps of his brothers. In his spare time, he enjoys LOTR and MTG, his cat "Kitty" and watching Jeopardy. When he

grows up, he wants to be a solar-powered automobile engineer and/or an astrophysicist.

Jake is excited and honored to be the first Bar Mitzvah in the new synagogue at Green and Vaughn Streets. His parents, Ann and Ron, are extremely proud of him, as well as his grandparents, Thelma Itzoe, and Tuttie and Rose Chadwell.

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ONWARD AND UPWARD: Chisuk Emuna Congregation To Dedicate New Building

Onward and Upward: Chisuk Emuna Congregation To Dedicate New Building On Tuesday, evening, May 14th, on the eve of Shavuot (the holiday that celebrates the Revelation of the Torah at Mount Sinai), Chisuk Emuna congregants and friends will joyously carry Torah scrolls from their temporary home at the Jewish Community Center to their new spiritual home at the corner of Green and Vaughn Streets. The procession will commence at 6 p.m. at the JCC, followed by the affixing of mezuzoth to the new doors, the dedication of the sanctuary and building, the lighting of the ner tamid (eternal light) and the offering of prayers of thanksgiving pon reaching this historic milestone. After light refreshments and an interactive Torah workshop, the evening will conclude with Shavuot services.

For Chisuk Emuna members, this is a time to give thanks to many, including the Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg for housing us, the Silver Academy for sharing their classrooms, and our sister congregations and the Harrisburg Jewish Community for their kindness throughout these challenging four years since the accidental fire that devastated our previous home.

All are welcome to join us for this and other dedication events, including An Afternoon With Mitch Albom on Sunday, June 23rd.

For more information about Chisuk Emuna's new building and upcoming programs, please call 232-4851 or visit chisukemuna.org.

Carl Shuman, President
Ron Muroff, Rabbi



1. Torah scrolls were salvaged from the destroyed sanctuary. 2. A scene of the devastating damage at Chisuk Emuna's previous building at Fifth and Division Streets following the accidental fire in April, 2009. 3. A detail of the ark in the main sanctuary. 4. Work is being completed on new home for Chisuk Emuna Congregation.



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THE READING OF THE NAMES

By **Mary Klaus**

Simona Shuman was born decades after six million Jews were killed in the Holocaust.

But the atrocities of that period of history are very real to the 12-year-old Silver Academy student, one of 22 young Jews who recently participated in the Yom Hashoah reading of thousands of Holocaust victim names.

Called "Unto Every Person There Is a Name" and hosted this year by Temple Ohev Sholom, the 24-hour vigil sought to restore a portion of the humanity of the Holocaust victims who were tattooed with numbers after their names were stripped by the Nazi oppressors.

Shuman, a member of Chisuk Emuna congregation, found reading the names to be both difficult and rewarding.

"It is sad to see all the names and know that they were real people," she said. "But there are lessons too. This must never happen again to any people, no matter what race or religion they have. We all must have tolerance."

Shuman bragged about two relatives on her mother's side of the family who were liberators. She noted that the audience seemed especially attentive to the reading "because it's our history as a Jewish people."

Rabbi Peter Kessler welcomed about 150 people to Ohev Sholom and prayed for those "slaughtered and burned in the concentrations camps." Jean Chernicoff, who co-chaired the vigil with Judy Heckert, noted that the number of Holocaust survivors in the community declines annually.

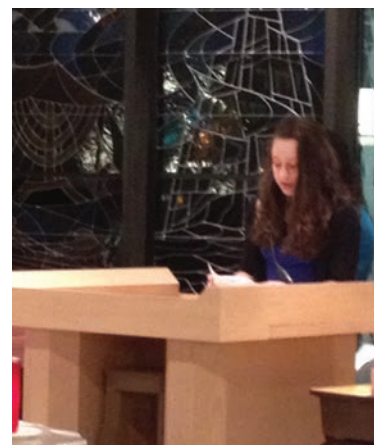
"The Holocaust began more than 70 years ago and forever changed the world," she said. "Each and every one (of the victims) was a living human being, unique. As we read the names, we need to remember and honor those who perished."

The service, dignified and solemn, did just that.

Students from the area congregation religion schools and the Silver Academy gave heartfelt readings in English and Hebrew in voices that mingled tears, fears and a fierce determination to never forget. Some mentioned



From left, Sara Malina, Jacob Chadwell, Simona Shuman and Nathan Adler gather in front of the six memorial candles at the "Unto Every Person There Is A Name" vigil.



Anya Fox reads names and reflections during the Yom Hashoah service.



Participants light memorial candles shortly before the reading of the names began.

names of relatives who died decades ago, bringing a flood of memories to their parents and grandparents in the audience.

Many readings began with the words "I will remember," uttered as both a declaration and a vow. The already quiet Lehrman Chapel became even more so when the youth escorted Holocaust survivors and second generation members to six candles near the chapel's eternal light. Zack Martick of Dillsburg escorted his Holocaust survivor grandfather, Kurt Moses, to the front and helped him light a candle.

"Today, we remember the six million Jews who perished," said Sara Malina of Beth El Temple, a Linglestown Middle School seventh grade student. "Day by day, hour by hour, minute by minute, they chose life."

Kira Aves of Temple Beth Shalom, a Mechanicsburg Middle School seventh grade student, said she was glad she read names.

"We need to remember all Jews who died in the Holocaust," she said. "This help us to do it."

Jacob Chadwell of Chisuk Emuna, a seventh grade student in the Infinity Charter School, read the names of three generations of victims from one family.

"It's so horrible," he said. "It's hard to picture people from infants to elderly being killed. It's not a good part of our religion, but we have to remember it. Being here, thinking about the Holocaust makes me appreciate my life which I take for granted."

Temple Ohev Sholom youth get hands-on lesson about Holocaust

By Mary Klaus

As the Susquehanna River gently flowed behind her and cars on Front Street whizzed by before her, Lauren Kusic looked at the Holocaust Monument in Riverfront Park with both serenity and sorrow.

Kusic, one of 13 Temple Ohev Sholom Religion School students cleaning up the monument hours before the Yom Hashoah observance there on April 7, focused on the word “remember” translated in 14 languages.

Then, the Harrisburg Academy seventh grade student did just that.

“We can’t forget what happened during the Holocaust,” she said. “We can never, ever let it happen again to our friends or to our enemies.”

Sanford Krevsky, who has taught young Jews at Ohev Sholom for more than 30 years, smiled.

“Our class gussied up the monument for the Holocaust Memorial Service,” he said. “They were busy as bees, requiring no nagging to stay on point. We tell them all the time how important it is to maintain commitment to the memory of this tragic event. By cleaning the monument, the students’ work is made holy.”

The 15-foot high monument at Front and Sayford Streets, a vision of local Holocaust survivors, stands as a remembrance of the 6 million Jews killed by Nazis during World War II.

Dedicated in 1994, it includes a stainless steel core configured in the Star of David, a steel outer shell representing coiled barbed wire; and a black granite base of smaller Stars of David. The monument, set on a Jerusalem stone basin, is surrounded by granite walls and includes the story of the Holocaust. The monument core stands on three pillars with the words “Torah, Divine Service, and Acts of Kindness,” the blueprint of Jewish life.

“This monument is the realization of a dream of Holocaust survivors who settled in our community,” said Lillian Rappaport, Ohev Sholom education director. “It has been a source of education and inspiration.”



Lauren Kusic, left, and Lauren Resnick pause at the base of the Holocaust monument after cleaning it before recent observance there.

“The Holocaust was a human chronicle, a story of what neighbors did to their neighbors,” she said. “It is not black and white images of piles of skeletal bodies. The Holocaust is the story of human beings with lives, with souls, who shared the same hopes and aspirations as all of us here today. By its scope and magnitude, by its sheer weight of numbers, by the impact of so much humiliation and pain, in spite of being the most documented tragedy in the annals of history, the Shoah still defies language and understanding.”

The youth of Ohev Sholom, who each year clean the monument prior to the observance ceremonies there, grappled with this concept on a chilly Sunday morning.

Kusic and her best friend, Lauren Resnick, a Linglestown Middle School seventh grade student, said they “felt good” cleaning the monument.

“We’ve gone to Downtown Daily Bread and served lunch to

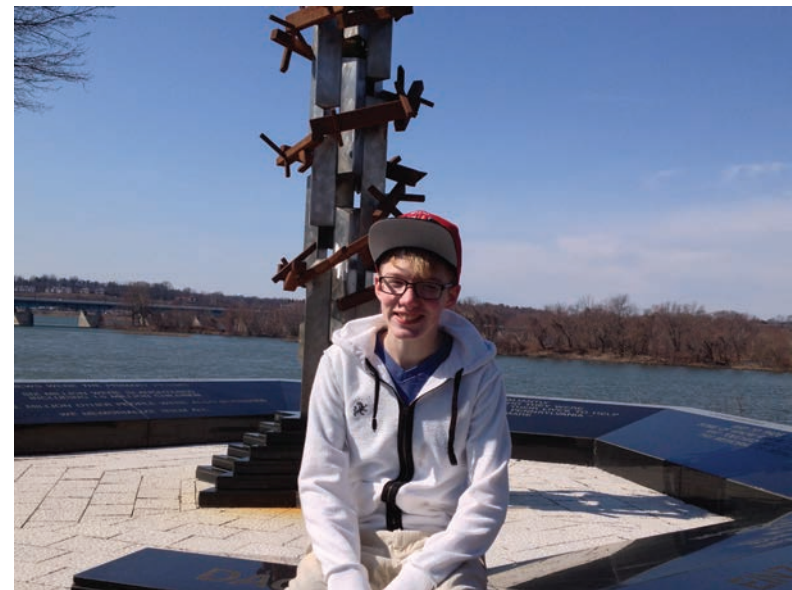
people,” Kusic said. “We’ve gone to the Jewish Home and played games with the residents. But this feels good in a different way.”

Resnick reflected that the Holocaust “could have happened to us. Today, most people let the Jewish people alone. But they didn’t then.”

Sam Sackler, a New Cumberland Middle School seventh grade student, recalled how Holocaust survivor Hilda Mantelmacher came to his classroom “and made the Holocaust real to us. Before she spoke, the kids in my school didn’t know much about the Holocaust. Now, they do. Mrs. Mantelmacher was in a lot of prison camps, but was liberated at the end. She never gave up, never let go.”

Anya Fox, a seventh grade student at Silver Academy, said that’s a lesson for people today.

“We’re probably the last generation to know Holocaust survivors,” Fox said. “It’s so



Sam Sackler at the Holocaust monument.



Some students and parents at the Holocaust monument just before the Yom Hashoah ceremony.

important for us to learn what they went through. No matter how made things were for them, they never lost hope.”

Moments before dozens of people gathered for the service, Rappaport and Krevsky said they were pleased with the students’ involvement.

“It was an opportunity for the students to not only hear and see from the survivors and their families, but to have a part in glorifying the memory of those who perished,” Krevsky said.

Noting that Holocaust survivors are now the community’s elders, Rappaport said that “in a few short years, there will be no survivors left. Our great challenge will be to teach about the Holocaust and its lessons without the benefit of its

eyewitnesses.” She lamented that the Holocaust took place in the heart of Christian Europe before the eyes of millions of others.

“In many cases, hatred and persecution of the Jews became the accepted norm,” she said. “Those who tried to aid the Jews had to act in opposition to the expectations of their surrounding society. The capability of a single individual to act according to moral principles even when public norms have completely collapsed should not be underestimated.”

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Tuesday, May 21, 7:30 p.m.

Chef Giuliano Hazan, known to Today Show viewers for his frequent appearances on that morning program, is coming to Harrisburg! An award-winning author, teacher, and celebrity chef, Giuliano Hazan has just come out with a new cookbook, Hazan Family Favorites. Through Beth El Temple’s affiliation with the Jewish Book Network, we are able to bring Hazan to our community for what is sure to be a very special program. Many thanks to Sisterhood for coordinating and helping to sponsor this event.

Giuliano Hazan is one of the foremost authorities on Italian cooking and runs an acclaimed cooking school in northern Italy. His previous four cookbooks have earned him a James Beard nomination and the World Cookbook Award. The international Association of Culinary Professionals named him Cooking Teacher of the Year. He has published in The New York Times, Fine Cooking, and Cooking Light. His appearances include Epcot, cruise ships and the Smithsonian.

In Hazan Family Favorites, Chef Hazan, the son of the doyenne of Italian cuisine Marcella Hazan, shares recipes that have been passed down from generation to generation, along with reminiscences of Shabbat dinners at his grandparents’ house, favorite meals his mother prepared, and the meals he shares with his wife and daughters at home.

Hazan’s family on his paternal side, according to legend, descended from the Hidalgos of Spain. In his latest book Hazan shows how various cultures encountered during the family’s wanderings influenced the recipes they still enjoy today such as Borekitas, “Italian” Latkas, Zucchini filled with Rice and Meat, and Shabbat Spinach and Chick Peas. From Turkey, to Italy and the United States, Giuliano Hazan’s familial story demonstrates the essential role food plays in strengthening family bonds and traditions.

The program with Chef Hazan on May 21 is open to the entire community. Taking place in the Arthur and Pearl Anne Rosen Sisterhood Hall, the program begins at 7:30 and will be followed by a dessert reception featuring recipes from Hazan’s new cookbook. Tickets to attend the event are \$18 per person. Tell your friends and spread the word, and plan on attending this very special Sisterhood event! RSVP to the Beth El Temple Office at 232-0556 by May 16.



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BETH EL TEMPLE CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 5773

Samuel Hirshberg, Jeremy Peisner, Max Pelna, David Rosen, Samuel Rosen and David Weitzman are this year's confirmands at Beth El Temple. The confirmation ceremony will take place on the first day of Shavuot, Wednesday morning May 15. The holiday service begins at 9:00 a.m.

Our confirmands are 10th graders who have completed three years of post-bar mitzvah study at the Harrisburg Hebrew High School which meets Sunday nights through the school year at the Jewish Community Center. The Hebrew High curriculum includes both required and elective courses in Jewish history, culture and religion.

On the first day of Shavuot, our confirmands will read Torah, chant Haftarah, and deliver devrai Torah. Yasher Koach to the two Sams, the two Davids, Jeremy and Max! Come worship with the congregation and join us for a Kiddush luncheon in honor of our confirmands immediately following services.

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Jewish Film Festival, 7 pm, JCC

MONDAY MAY 6

Jewish Film Festival, 5:30 pm, State Museum

TUESDAY MAY 7

Senior Lunch Program, 10 am, JCC
Jewish Film Festival, 5:30 pm, State Museum

WEDNESDAY MAY 8

PJ Library Parent & Me, 9:30 am, JCC
Jewish Film Festival, 5:30 pm, State Museum

THURSDAY MAY 9

Senior Lunch Program, 10 am, JCC
Jewish Film Festival, 5:30 pm, State Museum

FRIDAY MAY 10

Jewish Film Festival, 5:30 pm, State Museum

SUNDAY MAY 12

Jewish Film Festival, 1:30 pm, State Museum

TUESDAY, MAY 14 - EREV SHAVUOT

Senior Lunch Program, 10 am, JCC
Program: Dr. Donald Koones lecture, "Famous Pennsylvanians", 12:30 p.m.
Building Closes at 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY MAY 15

Shavuot, Federation offices closed

THURSDAY MAY 16

Shavuot, Federation offices closed

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

BETH EL TEMPLE

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Minyan 7 a.m. daily and 5:30 p.m.
 Sunday morning at 9 a.m.
 Friday night Kabbalat Shabbat 6 p.m.
 Shabbat morning 9:15 p.m.
 Saturday night mincha/maariv/havdalah at same time as Friday evening candlelighting time
May 1 to May 31 Clothing drive to benefit Dress for Success. Donations must be on hangers, women's wear office appropriate, clean & in ready to wear condition.
Monday, May 6 Early Bird Drawing for Beth El Temple Raffle.
 Tikun Layl Shavuot 5:30 to 10:30 p.m. Program for the evening includes Minchah and Maariv services, a

traditional Shavuot dairy dinner, breakout study sessions, and a dessert reception. Featuring as scholars Dr. Andrea Lieber, Associate Professor of Religion at Dickinson College, Rabbi Eric Cytryn, and a guest speaker.
 Shavuot services Wednesday and Thursday, May 15 & 16, 9 a.m.
 Confirmation ceremony on first day of Shavuot, May 15. Confirmands help lead the service. Kiddush luncheon to honor our confirmands.

Saturday, May 18 Java 'n Torah 9:00 a.m. Interactive study before Shabbat morning service

Sunday, May 19 Chaverim Coffee & Bagels Social 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 19 Kindergarten Recognition Ceremony & Religious School "Rekudiah" Israeli Dance Festival at 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, May 21 Beth El Temple Sisterhood and the Jewish Book Council present an evening with Chef Giuliano Hazan 7:30 p.m. \$18 per person for author presentation and dessert reception. Community invited.

Wednesday, May 22 Beth El Temple Annual Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Installation of officers. Harrisburg Jewish Youth Choir will perform. Make-Your-Own-Sundae dessert reception.

Wednesday, May 29 Final day of Religious School. Pupil Recognition Ceremony, 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 2 Breakfast 'n Learn Jews By Choice: A Panel of Congregants Share Their Spiritual Journey 9:30 breakfast, 10:00 program

Sunday, June 9 Annual Beth El Temple Raffle! 10:00 a.m. brunch. Thousands of dollars in cash and loads of prizes for lucky winners. Tickets for purchase at \$100 at Beth El Temple Office 232-0556.

Wednesday, June 12 Chaverim event: Harrisburg Senators Baseball Game 7:00 p.m. Family event for adults and kids.

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CHISUK EMUNA CONGREGATION

232-4851 | www.chisukemuna.org

info@chisukemuna.org

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Sunday through Thursday evenings, 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, 7 a.m.

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

CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL

Lebanon | 273-2669

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 All are welcome to our egalitarian services: Sundays at 9 a.m., Mondays and Thursdays at 7:30 a.m. Our Shabbat services, lead by Rabbi Paula Reimers, are at 8 p.m. on Friday evenings and on Shabbat morning at 9:30 a.m. followed by Kiddush.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

CONGREGATION BETHTIKVAH

Carlisle | 245-2811 | www.bethtikvah.org

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HISTORIC B'NAI JACOB

Middletown | 319-3014 | www.bnai-jacob.org

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TEMPLE OHEV SHOLOM

233-6459 | www.ohevsholom.org

Friday, May 17: Confirmation Shabbat Service, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Saturday, May 18: Tot Shabbat, 10:30 a.m., Lehrman Chapel

Friday, May 24: Shabbat Service, 6 p.m., Lehrman Chapel

Friday, May 31, 2013: Shabbat Service, 7:30 pm, Sanctuary

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SAMUEL BORGER

Borger, Samuel, 89, of Tamarac, FL, passed away on April 6, 2013. Born in Pottstown, PA, the son of Bessie and Ben Borger, he was the cherished husband of Adele (Levine) for 66 years, adored father of Hara (Michael), Bruce and Karen and revered grandfather of Benjamin (Brooke) and Ashley Cohen.

After graduating from Pottstown High School, Mr. Borger served as a combat engineer in the 244th Engineering Combat Battalion in WW II. He and his father purchased the former York Pipe and Steel in York, PA. Later joined by brother Herbert, they founded Borger Steel Co., a steel warehouse servicing the Middle Atlantic states until sold in 1986. Mr. Borger's legacy includes a lifetime of magnanimous contributions of time and philanthropy. During his nearly 40 years in York, he was president of Ohev Sholom Synagogue and the Jewish Community Center, Director of the United Jewish Appeal, on the Board of Directors of the York Chamber of Commerce, the American Red Cross and United Way and a member of the President's Club at York College. After relocating to Harrisburg, PA and then permanently to Fort Lauderdale, he was a founder of the Ben Gurion University in the Negev, a member of the Circle of Founders of the Hadassah Medical Center in Israel and a recipient of the City of Peace Award from Israeli Bonds.

He received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Jewish Federation, was a founder of the Miami Jewish Home for the Aged and a member of the Legacy Society of the Anti-Defamation League. Samuel and his wife, Adele, donated the Adele and Sam Borger Senior Residence at the Daniel Cantor Senior Center. In later years, his primary charitable involvement was JAFCO, Jewish Adoption and Foster Care Options in Sunrise, FL, a village for abused and neglected children in

South Florida. His contributions included the lobby of the main building and, in 2013, The Sam and Adele Borger Campus of The New JAFCO Respite and Residential Children's Center for Children with Developmental Disabilities will open. A developmentally challenged sister led to his enthusiasm for the center that will support special needs children and their families by offering respite care for children so parents and siblings can take a necessary break from the stresses of special-need child care. He was pre-deceased by brothers Herbert, Hyman, Sol and sisters Minnie and Helen. He leaves many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Monday April 8th at Star of David, North Lauderdale, FL. Contributions in his memory may be made to JAFCO, Developmental Disabilities Respite Center, 4200 North University Dr., Sunrise, FL 33351 or VITAS Innovative Hospice Care, 5420 NW 33rd Ave., Suite 100, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309.

GEORGE DAVIS GROSS

George Davis Gross, 75, formerly of Beaumont, TX, and recently of Arlington, VA, passed away on Friday, April 5, 2013 at the Virginia Hospital Center. He was the husband of the late Joan Nathan Gross. He was born in Pittsburgh, PA on June 14, 1937 and was the only child of the late Michael A. and Leona (Davis) Gross. He worked as a chemical engineer and manager at Texaco Chemical in Port Arthur, TX. After retiring, he was a substitute teacher and volunteer mentor in the Beaumont public schools, as well as an adult reading tutor. He also worked part-time as a financial analyst. He was an active supporter of the Beaumont Public Schools Foundation where he established a graphics arts college scholarship in honor of his later wife.

Surviving his memory are two daughters, Valerie G. Preiss and

her husband Robert of Arlington, and Laura G. Sager and her husband Mark of Pflugerville, TX; three grandchildren, David Preiss, Joanna and Emily Sager.

Funeral Services were held on Sunday, April 7th at the Keshet Israel Cemetery Chapel, with Rabbi Akiva Males officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network. http://www.pancan.org/section_donate/. To offer the family condolences, please visit www.HetrickBitner.com or our Facebook page.

DR. DAVID KREVSKY

Dr. David Krevsky passed away recently in Michigan. He was the beloved husband of Kathleen Krevsky; cherished brother of Jay (Nancy) Krevsky of Harrisburg, PA, the late Dr. Seymour Krevsky, the late Dr. Harold Krevsky, the late Herman Krevsky, the late Pearl and the late Norman Scher, the late Marsha Levine and the late Ethel Shapiro; dear brother-in-law of Margery Krevsky and Fannie Krevsky. Dr. Krevsky is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Services were held on Tuesday in Southfield, Michigan. Arrangements were handled by the Ira Kaufman Chapel.

JACQUELINE STRAITMAN

Jacqueline Straitman (nee Schondorf) passed away on Friday, April 12, 2013 at the age of 81. She lived in Union, NJ for many years before moving to Monroe, NJ and then to Hummelstown, PA. She graduated from Newark State Teacher's college with a teaching degree. Jackie was a much loved educator at Solomon Schechter Day School for 25 years. She was an avid reader and a lifelong Yankees fan. Jackie was predeceased by her devoted husband of 42 years and her grandson, David. She is survived by her caring daughters Lisa Nehmer of Springfield, NJ and Debi Yodfat of Hummelstown, PA; and her loving grandchildren,

Rachel Nehmer and her husband Ben Wendel, Adam and Sarah Yodfat. Graveside services were held on Sunday, April 14th at Beth Israel Cemetery Woodbridge, NJ. Donations may be made to The Healing Heart Foundation, 73 Laurel Drive, Springfield, NJ 07081. To send condolences to the family, please visit www.HetrickBitner.com or visit us on FaceBook.

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