

WHAT'S ON AT THE HARRISBURG JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL May 13-20th

DAY-BY-DAY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, MAY 13 – at the JCC

7:00 NICKY'S FAMILY at JCC
(with speakers and reception)

MONDAY, MAY 14 –

State Museum of Pennsylvania through May 20

5:30 AHEAD OF TIME: RUTH GRUBER
7:30 REMEMBRANCE

TUESDAY, MAY 15

5:30 RESTORATION
7:30 THE INFIDEL

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

5:30 SHOLEM ALEICHEM
(Book Club film; 7:00 discussion)
7:45 INTIMATE GRAMMAR

THURSDAY, MAY 17

5:30 NAMES OF LOVE
7:30 AHEAD OF TIME: RUTH GRUBER

FRIDAY, MAY 18

5:30 INTIMATE GRAMMAR

SATURDAY, MAY 19

8:00 NAMES OF LOVE

SUNDAY, MAY 20

2:00 REMEMBRANCE
4:00 THE INFIDEL
6:30 DAVID (with speakers and reception)



The 18th annual Harrisburg Jewish Film Festival begins in just ten short days, and the entire community is invited to attend both the Sunday May 13th Opening Event at the JCC, and the rest of the festival, May 14-20th, at the State Museum of Pennsylvania auditorium.

As ever, we are proud to present a superb collection of international films, that, in our "Chai" year, celebrate Life at its most inspiring, its most exuberant, its most perplexing and thought-provoking – and sometimes all at once.

A word first about our special events.

Much has been written already about *Nicky's Family*, the compelling documentary that will open our festival on Mother's Day evening, the 13th of May, at 7:00. The story of one man's successful effort to save more than 600 children at the dawn of the Second World War will have new immediacy with the presence of Alice Masters and Hanna Slome, two of these children. Now in their 80s, the women will be on hand to answer questions about their lives, their rescue, and the man - still alive and well at 103 years of age - who saved them. A reception will follow, generously sponsored by Linda Schwab and family.

This season's Book Club film, *Sholem Aleichem: Laughing in the Darkness*, sheds new light on the literary raconteur best known as the father of Tevye, of Fiddler on the Roof fame. Professor Helen Khanzina, a proud member of Beth El's book club, will moderate a discussion about the man and his work after the 5:30 screening on Wednesday, May 16th. If you have not done so already, jump onto Amazon.com and purchase the Penguin Classics edition of Tevye the Dairyman and Motl the Cantor's Son, delightful stories which Helen will be using as a jump-off for the discussion.

Our closing event, *David*, will be attended by executive producer Stephanie Levy and the teenaged star of the film, Muatesem Mishal. They will be on hand for a Q&A after the 6:30 screening of their film on Sunday May 20th. Generously sponsored for our festival by Commonwealth Packaging Company, David is a film for the entire family, and we encourage you to bring your children as young as ten years of age. Sensitively addressing both personal identity and Jewish/Muslim relations from an adolescent point of view, it is a picture that we feel sure will begin a discussion in your homes that will go on long after you leave the theatre. A reception will follow.

But there is more - much more. Between the opening and closing events are many other films that are not to be missed. From Israel come two multi-award-winning dramas: *Intimate Grammar*, the story of a pre-adolescent in the mid-60s waiting impatiently for his life to begin, and *Restoration*, a contemporary tale of a septuagenarian looking back, wondering how he might begin his life again.

Germany brings us *Remembrance*, a touching saga of love, loss and resilience, based on a true story from the Second World War.

The US-made *Ahead of Time: Ruth Gruber* focuses on the life of the extraordinary photo-journalist (now 101 feisty years old) who found herself on the cutting edge of history again and again, from 1935 until the millennium.

The Infidel, from the UK, also addresses Jewish/Muslim relations -- through broad comedy that will have you laughing out loud.

And finally, from France comes *The Names of Love*, a joyful, sexy, life-affirming tale of

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Inheritance taxes can take a lot – but you can do better...

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



Moving assets to heirs without losing a good part to taxation is an important element of estate planning.

We all work hard to build our professions or businesses. We accumulate assets to provide for our retirements and, with a little luck, we leave this world with an estate which we would like to pass to our children and grandchildren.

A lead trust is a powerful planning strategy for moving assets through to our heirs. When interest rates are low, as they are today, the value of a lead trust is increased.

Lead trusts are increasingly popular since they can be used to achieve what might otherwise seem to be conflicting goals.

Consider the benefits of a charitable lead trust:

- You arrange for a regular source of gifts to the charity of your choice that will begin immediately and continue for as long as you designate.
- The amount of the gifts to the charity can be fixed or vary over time.
- Such a gift can serve to reduce or eliminate income, estate, and gift taxes now - and in future years as well.
- You may be able to provide younger heirs with a larger inheritance than would otherwise be possible at a time when it is more appropriate that it be received.

I have written here about other planning tools that feature annual income for you or others you choose. Under these plans, when income ceases, any remaining funds are transferred to the charity. Under the terms of a charitable lead trust, your charitable interests immediately begin to receive gifts in the form of payments from the trust and the gifts continue for the period of time you determine. At the end of that time period, assets remaining in the trust are returned to you or other loved ones you designate.

Gift and estate taxes are normally due on amounts over a certain amount given to others during lifetime or through your estate. Because of the front-end gifts to charity over time from a charitable lead trust, however, Congress allows you to reduce the amounts that would otherwise be taxable by the value of those gifts to charity.

Depending on the amount of the payments, how long they last, and other factors, it can be possible to greatly reduce, or even entirely eliminate, gift and estate tax on unlimited amounts ultimately passing to heirs. In addition, at the termination of the trust your heirs can receive any growth in trust assets during the time the trust is in existence free of additional gift and estate taxes.

The charitable lead trust can be an especially attractive way to meet multiple personal and charitable planning goals. It is also an excellent way to provide for a multi-year building pledge.

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MAIMONIDES
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On Sunday, April 22nd, the Maimonides Society welcomed Lawrence Levitt, M.D. for the annual Spring brunch event. Dr. Levitt is co-author of Uncommon Wisdom. Dr. Levitt's anecdotes and humor were delightful and enjoyed by all.

Special thanks go to the following for generously underwriting this program: Dr. Todd and Sara Barron, Dr. Margaret Grotzinger & Dr. Mark Glick, Dr. Ira & Joanne Sackman, Dr. Zachary & Nancy Simmons, Dr. Charles & Janice Yanofsky. A special thank you goes to Dr. Maggie Grotzinger, Maimonides Chair, for her ongoing commitment to the Jewish Federation.

In Uncommon Wisdom, neurologists John Castaldo and Lawrence Levitt share what they have learned in their many years as doctors, not just from test and labs, but from years of listening to and learning from their patients.

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**NEW MAIMONIDES
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Membership in the Maimonides Society has been reconfigured to encourage participation from medical students and healthcare professionals just entering the profession as well as those already established in their fields. A minimum contribution to the Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg Annual Campaign will qualify for Maimonides Society membership at the following levels:

Ages

30-35 - \$118

35-40 - \$500

40+ - \$1,000

Medical & Dental Students & students in other healthcare professional fields - \$18

The Maimonides Society was developed nationally to foster a sense of common purpose and commitment among healthcare professionals to work towards the betterment of Jews wherever they may be. The goals of the Society here in Harrisburg are: To promote fellowship among Jewish health care professionals in the greater Harrisburg area; To strengthen commitment to Jewish values through educational and cultural programs; To respond to Jewish needs in the greater Harrisburg area, Israel and throughout the world; To mobilize health care professionals to serve as resources to the entire community.

For additional information, please contact Francine Feinerman, Campaign Coordinator at f.feinerman@jewishfedhbg.org or 236-9555 Ext. 3299.

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If you're a parent, you probably know how challenging it is to manage a few kids, but how about 600?

On Sunday, May 20, hundreds of children, ages 10-12, and their parents, from throughout eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and Washington, DC will descend upon Harrisburg, the host city for the 2012 Junior Maccabi Games. Serving as the host city is both a huge honor and a huge responsibility, requiring tremendous volunteer resources. To ensure that the 2012 Junior Maccabi Games will be the greatest ever, we need your help. Please consider returning the volunteer form below to share the experience as Harrisburg hosts young Jewish athletes from across the region in the 2012 Junior Maccabi Games. Thank you!



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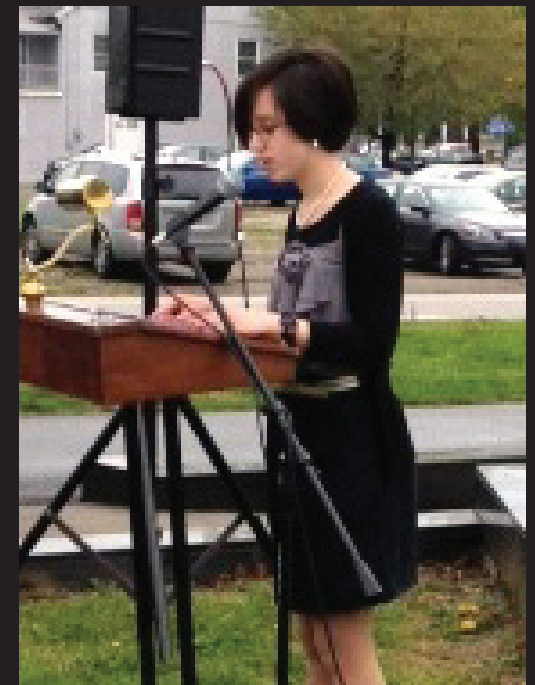
YOM HASHOAH OBSERVANCE AT HOLOCAUST MONUMENT, SUNDAY, APRIL 15TH



Lillian Rappaport, Director of Jewish Education, offers opening remarks



Sarah Weber, Alec Grossman, Michael Romano, and Arielle Ettinger participate in Yom Hashoah observance before leaving on the March of the Living trip



Emily Hess reads her 1st Prize-winning essay that she wrote for the Schwab Holocaust Essay Contest



Faye Doctrow and Aviva Miskin relate Holocaust experiences of their parents, Rosa and Abraham Brojges.



Holocaust survivor Kurt Moses plays his harmonica while those assembled sing Oseh Shalom, a prayer for peace.

HOLOCAUST MONUMENT COMMITTEE BEING FORMED

Our community's beautiful Holocaust Monument has been standing along the riverfront in Harrisburg for nearly 20 years. It was the dream of local Holocaust survivors and was created not only as a memorial but also as a means to teach about the Holocaust. The survivors felt that the Holocaust must be taught as a human chronicle, a story of what neighbors did to their neighbors. It is the story of human beings, with lives, with souls, who shared the same hopes and aspirations as all of us here today.

Over the years, this beloved monument had fallen into disrepair, and thanks to devoted efforts and generous support, the monument was repaired several years ago to once again stand majestic and beautiful. However, the time has now come to create an oversight committee for the Holocaust Monument. We are looking for a small group of people, perhaps four or five, who are willing to meet several times over the course of the year to make sure that our beloved monument is properly maintained and preserved for future generations. We are deeply grateful to Felix Thau, who has agreed to chair this important committee. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact Felix via e-mail at fthau@comcast.net or at 540-9288.

"Jerusalem: A City of Peace"

Chisuk Emuna holds multicultural music concert featuring The Tzvia Wexler Ensemble with guest performer Marcos Askenazi, in honor of Dr. David and Charlotte Spector, and Ezra, Aaron, Aviva and Leora Match

Chisuk Emuna warmly invites the entire Jewish community to a unique musical concert featuring The Tzvia Wexler Ensemble,

with guest performer Marcos Askenazi on Sunday, June 10th. The concert is being held to honor Chisuk Emuna's own Dr. David and Charlotte Spector, and Ezra, Aaron, Aviva and Leora Match. The concert begins at 7:00 p.m. and will take place in the Mary Sachs Auditorium of the Jewish Community Center.

Tzvia Wexler is an Israeli musician who has brought her charismatic spirit and

musical talent to productions in Israel, Canada and all over the United States. "Jerusalem: A City of Peace," is an interactive concert for the whole family to enjoy. Through the event, Tzvia, along with her ensemble, will take everyone on a journey to a city that is small in size yet great in significance for all those drawn to this ancient and vibrant area. Tzvia will include singing in Hebrew,


Ladino and Middle Eastern music, and the evening will conclude in a hora dance with the whole community.

Marcos Askenazi, who will accompany Tzvia and her ensemble, is well known to the Chisuk Emuna community. After seven years as Chisuk Emuna's High Holiday cantor, Marcos is currently serving as the Chazzan at the East 55th Street Synagogue in New York City. He also works at

the Brooklyn College Hiller and sings with the Harmonia Orchestra. Marcos will bring his unique musical talent and energy to this special event!

Chisuk Emuna's honorees for the event are highly deserving of this special recognition. Dr. David and Charlotte Spector have been members of Chisuk Emuna since 1984. David, a Professor of Microbiology

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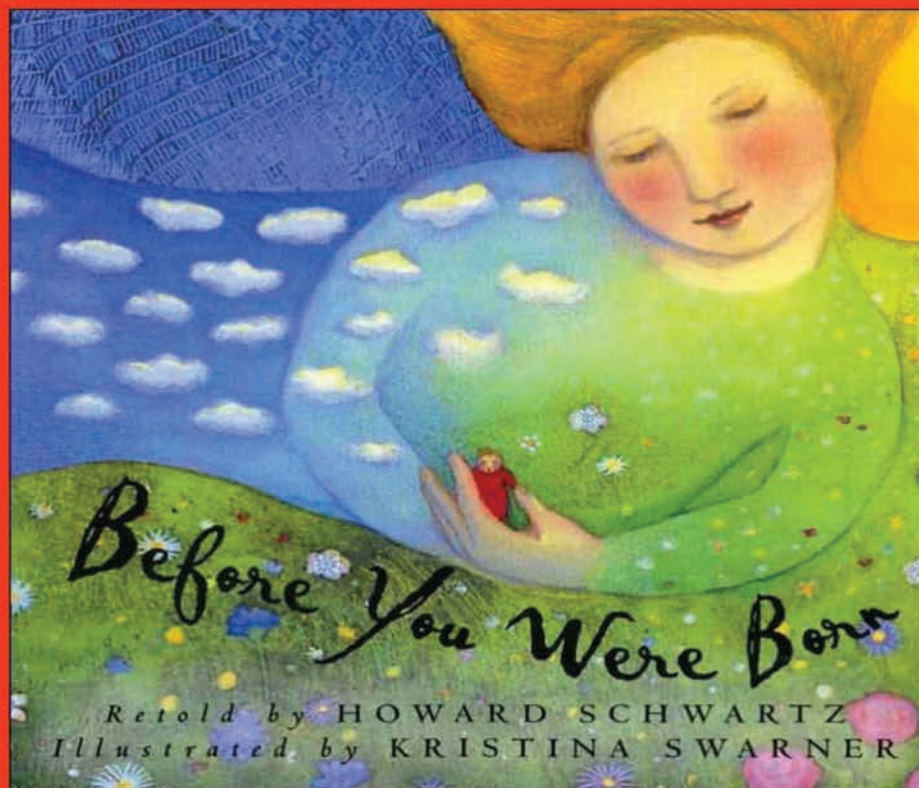
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and Immunology, and Distinguished Educator at the Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine, has served as Vice President twice, and President of the Congregation for a three year term. He is currently the Treasurer and actively involved in the Building Committee for the new synagogue. David's most

notable passion is the liturgy of the services and various tropes used for cantillation of the reading of the Torah and other Biblical passages. He is a weekly presence at Chisuk Emuna as a Torah reader, and has led various services on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur for two decades.

Charlotte Spector has served as a Career Services Specialist

at Penn State Harrisburg for the past 17 years. Her service to Chisuk Emuna has included being co-chair of the Hebrew School Educational Committee, and a member of the Spiritual Life Task Force and Sisterhood Scholarship Committee. She helped establish and run the annual Simchat Torah Women's Reading for the many years

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*Take Me Under Your Wing:
Poetic Telling of Kabbalistic & Chasidic Stories
with Nitsa Kann, Associate Professor of Judaic Studies, Dickinson College*

Kabbalistic texts, and especially the abundant text of the *Zohar*, along with Chasidic texts, are fertile sources for the fiction of S.Y. Agnon and for the poetry of C. N. Bialik, Zelda, and even for a postmodernist poet such as Yonah Wallach. The talk focuses on the unique ways in which kabbalistic narratives and popular tales are employed in literary texts to tell unique Jewish stories.

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Thursday, May 3, 2012 | 7:30 PM | JCC | 3301 N. Front St. Hbg.

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it was in existence. Charlotte is an accomplished needle pointer, and contributed the "Sense of Touch" Torah cover and the Bein Gavra, used to cover the Torah while on the reader's table. Both were sadly destroyed in the 2009 fire that destroyed Chisuk Emuna's previous building. Charlotte's Jewish involvement outside of Chisuk Emuna includes being one of the founders and chairs of the Hershey Jewish Women's Study Group. Charlotte and David are the proud parents of two children, David and Lynn.

Ezra, Aaron, Aviva and Leora Match, children of Dr. Craig and Janna Match, are a special fixture in the Chisuk Emuna family! Throughout their lives, Judaism has played a major role in their day-to-day activities. They are all graduates of Chisuk Emuna's

Hebrew School, Harrisburg's Hebrew High School, and active members of United Synagogue Youth. They have tutored and taught for the Hebrew School, led services, and trained students for their B'nai Mitzvah celebrations. In addition to their commitments to Chisuk Emuna, they have also served as counselors at the JCC's summer day camp, and participated in many of the JCC Drama productions as actors, crew members, and directors. Finally, they have taken part in a number of interfaith community events. The three younger siblings participated in Honoring the Gifts, an extraordinary project in which students gathered life stories from residents of The Residence, a senior living community at The Jewish Home, adapted those stories into monologues and created a play, which they performed

for the community.

As they move on to the next chapters in their lives, the Match children are very appreciative of all the support from their family and friends, Chisuk Emuna, the Harrisburg Jewish community, 21st Century Cyber Charter School, and Thursday Club!

Tickets for the concert are \$20 (\$15 for children and students up to age 20). A dessert reception for everyone will take place after the concert. Tickets are available for purchase on line at <http://chisukemuna.ticketleap.com>, or by contacting Jeneen Harmon at 717-232-4851. For more information on this event, please contact Linda Laff at 717-838-8920.



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human connection across generations and culture.

Your Festival program – complete with film synopses, screening times, discount coupons, and State Museum directions and parking details – is in the mail. Please consult it, and our website, www.hbgjff.com, for more

information. Please take note that unlike previous years, there will only be one screening on Friday, at 5:30, and one screening on Saturday, at 8:00 p.m. As a result, some films (specifically Nicky's Family, Sholem Aleichem, Restoration, and David) will only be screened once.

And one final thought. If you find it difficult to choose among all the fine films on offer at this year's Harrisburg Jewish Film Festival, don't. Just come to them all!

See you at the movies!

Monday Mornings... Start Your Week with a Nosh and Conversation

By Paige Faulk, JFS Senior Services Case Manager

For three Monday mornings in April, I had the privilege of partaking in and helping to facilitate discussions at Jewish Family Service's The Breakfast Club. What fun! The Breakfast Club is comprised of a dynamic group of women over the age of 60 (60+ is the entrance ticket), facilitated by our wonderful volunteer, Fran Casher. They discuss current events, history, literature, languages, recipes, relationships and much more, every Monday from 10 a.m. to noon at Jewish Family Service. Delicious refreshments are always part of the morning get-together.

Are you looking to liven up your Mondays, expand your horizons, your friendship base? You are invited to join us at the table and try out The Breakfast Club experience. I think you will enjoy the positive energy and enthusiasm that is unique to The Breakfast Club. Your presence and contribution to conversations would be welcome and appreciated. The Breakfast Club...there's none other like it in town! There is no fee. To try it out, please call Paige Faulk at JFS, 233-1681.



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Sunday through Thursday evenings, 7:15 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, 7 a.m.

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Lebanon | 273-2669

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233-6459

Friday, May 4: Shabbat Service, 8:00 PM, Sanctuary

Friday, May 11: Shabbat Service, 6:00 PM, Lehrman Chapel, Reservations required for Soup and Study with the Cantor following services

Saturday, May 12: Cantor's Morning Shabbat Service, 10:30 AM, Lehrman Chapel

Friday, May 18: Education Shabbat Service, 7:30 PM, Sanctuary

Saturday, May 19: Tot Shabbat, 10:30 AM, Lehrman Chapel Service for little ones from birth through age 6.

Friday, May 25: Confirmation Shabbat Service, 8:00 PM, Sanctuary

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For reservations and raffle "tix," call the Beth El Office at 232-0556.

ALVINA ROBERTA MARTIN FORTHNER

Alvina Roberta Martin Forthner, 43, of N. 2nd Street, Wormleysburg, suddenly transitioned into eternal life on Thursday, March 29, 2012 at Community General Osteopathic Hospital. She was born in Trenton, NJ, daughter of Patricia Killingsworth Martin and the late Lester Martin, a graduate of Trenton High School, attended Syracuse University, earned her BA in Political Science from Rutgers University, her JD from the University of Maryland's School of Law and her LLM from Temple University's Beasley School of Law, was a Prosecuting Attorney for the Commonwealth of PA, Dept. of State in the Governor's Office of General Counsel, a member of Bethel Village A. M. E. Church, where she served on the Steward and Usher Boards, Liturgical Dance Team and Scholarship Committee, was also active with the Church School, a Vacation Bible School Teacher and Advisor to the Young People's Department. In the community, Alvina was a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and Jack and Jill of America, Inc. and in her leisure, enjoyed spending time with her family, dancing, exercising, doing arts and crafts and shopping for Coach handbags. (She was also a member of the Harrisburg Jewish Community Center where she enjoyed taking Spin classes.) She leaves to celebrate her life, her husband, Desaray Forthner; her daughter, Amira Jwahir Mitchell at home; her mother, Patricia Martin; her sisters, Nanette Martin, Patricia Martin and Juliane Martin Williams (Jerome), all of Trenton, NJ; her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Madison and Gerline Forthner of Harrisburg and a host of other relatives and friends. Alvina's life was celebrated on Thursday, April 5th in the Sanctuary of her Church. Memorial services were held on Monday, April 9th at Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church in Trenton, NJ, with her final resting place in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. Arrangements were entrusted to the Ministry of Comfort of Major H. Winfield Funeral Home, Steelton.

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MIRIAM "NANA" HERVITZ

Miriam "Nana" Hervitz, 92, of Harrisburg, passed away on Thursday, April 12, 2012 surrounded by her loving family. She was born on July 1, 1919 in Haverhill, MA to the late Charles M. and Bessie (Stoleski) Gerson. She was a graduate of Haverhill High School and received her Bachelor's Degree from Simmons College in Boston, MA.

Miriam was a member of Keshet Israel Congregation, a lifelong member of the Keshet Israel Sisterhood of which she served 2 terms as president, a life member of Hadassah, a member of the American Association of University Women, the Jewish Community Center of Harrisburg, the Guild of the Jewish Home of Greater Harrisburg and the National Council of Jewish Women. She was a lifelong supporter of The Silver Academy of Harrisburg and was a former Cub Scout and Boy Scout Den Mother. To Nana, family was the most important part of her life; she was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She loved having her home filled with her family. Miriam was a very practical person, a romantic at heart; she had a terrific sense of humor and was also philosophical. She had a very comforting presence about her, just like her mother before her. She was an outstanding cook and baker, and she enjoyed attending weddings, especially family weddings. Miriam was the widow of Herman P. Hervitz to whom she was married for 44 years. Surviving are her son, Joel H. Hervitz and his wife Debra Schwartz Hervitz of Harrisburg; her two daughters, Doris

J. Sutz of Harrisburg, Janet L. Lilienthal and her husband Gary of MA; her six grandchildren Lisa, Debbie, Jenna, Craig, Jesse, Sara; her three great-grandchildren Jonah, Michael and Maya. She was preceded in death by her brother Norman H. Gerson. Funeral services were held on Sunday, April 15th in the Chapel of Keshet Israel Cemetery with Rabbi Akiva Males officiating. Burial was in Keshet Israel Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by the Hetrick-Bitner Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Miriam's honor may be made to The Silver Academy, 3301 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110, Keshet Israel Congregation, 2500 North Third Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110 or to Hospice of Central PA, 1320 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg, PA 17110. To send condolences to the Hervitz family, please go to www.hetrickbitnerfuneralhome.com.

LEE JAVITCH

We regret to inform you of the passing of long time Beth El Temple life member and past president Lee Javitch. Lee was born in 1931 in Carlisle, PA. He was admired and loved by all that knew him. Lee was the dedicated husband and best friend for 38 years to Rona Javitch, proud father of Jonathan (Miriam), Lisa (Louis Benjamin), and David (Rikki), and loving grandfather of Sam, Shoshana, Yona and Jake. He was the former President and Chairman of Giant Food Stores, which he built to over 30 locations after it was founded by his father David as the Carlisle Meat Market in 1923. He served on the Boards of Trustees of the Pennsylvania Real Estate Investment Trust, the Board of Directors of Dauphin Deposit Bank and Allfirst Bank. A man of immeasurable generosity to many loyal friends, and a dedicated philanthropist for the community, Lee served on the Board of Directors of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, and for the Boards of MAZON: A Jewish Response for Hunger, and Clal - The National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership, for which he also served as Chair. Funeral services were held on April 20th at the Jewish Community Center of Harrison in Harrison, NY, with internment following at Sharon Gardens, Valhalla, NY. Contributions may be made to MAZON or UJA to honor the memory of a man we will always cherish and never forget. www.pennlive.com/obits.

AMALIYA KOCHAROVA

Amaliya Kocharova, age 81, of Camp Hill, passed away Saturday, April 7, 2012 at home.

She was born May 16, 1930 in Baku, USSR. Surviving are her children, a sister, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, April 11th at Musselman Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Lemoyne. Burial was in Churchville Cemetery, Oberlin. Musselmanfuneral.com.

MARGARET CATHERINE LINDSAY

Margaret Catherine Lindsay, 75, of Steelton, formerly of New York City died Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at Golden Living Center, Camp Hill. She was a 1954 graduate of the former William Penn High School and 1958 graduate of the former Kutztown Teachers College. She was an accountant, artist and teacher. An animal lover, she enjoyed the arts and classical music. She was born July 14, 1936 in Harrisburg to the late Dr. Joseph Lindsay and Catherine Leib Lindsay. She is survived by her sister and nephew, Marian E. and Andre J. Paschedag of Lewisberry. Graveside services will be held at the convenience of the family in Rolling Green Cemetery,

Lower Allen Twp.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are requested to Humane Society of the Harrisburg Area, 7790 Grayson Rd., Harrisburg, PA 17111. For more information or to send private messages of condolence, please visit www.parthemore.com.

ABE MANDEL

Abe Mandel, 91, of Harrisburg, passed away on Friday, April 13, 2012 at the Jewish Home of Greater Harrisburg. He was born in NY, NY on May 21, 1920 to the late William and Anna (Levine) Mandel. He was a graduate of New Utrecht High School in Brooklyn, NY and Traphagen School of Fashion & Design in Manhattan. Abe was a United States Army Air Corp Veteran of WW II and was retired from the Mechanicsburg Naval Depot as the supervisor of the quality audit team. He was an active member of Chisuk Emuna Congregation, a past vice president of the Chisuk Emuna Board, a member of the Chisuk Emuna Brotherhood, the Jewish War Veterans and the Disabled American Veterans. He was a sports enthusiast who enjoyed playing racquetball. He also enjoyed photography and gardening, and he especially enjoyed spending time with his family. Surviving are his wife of 55 years Ruth (Goodman) Mandel; his two daughters Sherry W. Browner and her husband Howard of Rockville, MD, Allison M. Mlawsky and her husband David of Olney, MD; his three grandchildren Aaron Browner, Doug Browner and Serena Mlawsky. He was preceded in death by his two sisters, Sarah Levinson and Lee Mastbaum. Funeral services were held on Sunday, April 15th 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. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Abe's honor may be made to the Building Fund of Chisuk Emuna Congregation Post Office Box 5507 Harrisburg, PA 17110-5507. To send condolences to the Mandel family, please go to www.hetrickbitnerfuneralhome.com.

DR. PHILIP MARCUS

Dr. Philip Marcus, 65, a world renowned pulmonologist died April 9th in Paris, France. Phil was born in New York City on November 26, 1946. He was the beloved husband and best friend to Rovena Marcus for more than 42 years. Born and raised in the Lower East Side of NYC, Phil went on to accomplish greatness, as a doctor, a family man and philanthropist. He graduated from Columbia University, cum laude with a BS degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences with honors in Pharmacology. He went on to receive his medical degree from State University of New York-Downstate Medical Center, College of Medicine, graduating summa cum laude. He was the founder of Nassau Chest Physicians and served on the Board of Directors of the American Lung Association. He also served as Chief of the Division of Pulmonary Medicine at St. Francis Hospital-The Heart Center in Roslyn, NY.

Phil was a consummate student and in 1999 at the Bloomberg School of Public Health-John Hopkins University where he earned the M.P.H. degree in May, 2002. A passionate student, Phil was an equally passionate teacher. He was actively involved in teaching medical students as well as residents in Internal Medicine and Pulmonary Medicine. He was a Clinical Professor of Medicine and Pharmacology and the Associate Dean for Curriculum Development at the

New York College of Osteopathic Medicine. He held teaching appointments at State University of New York at Stony Brook, St. John's University, and NYU School of Medicine. Philanthropy played an important role in Phil's life. Having grown up in extremely humble conditions, those in need were never far from his mind. He generously supported myriad causes and organizations. Phil was a major fundraiser for Jewish causes including UJA, Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem as well as an advocate for accessible health care supporting the American Lung Association and RotaCare both of which he was honored by for his work. Even more, and perhaps most importantly, Phil never ignored the needs of his patients and was known to provide medical care to his neediest of patients free of charge or in exchange for some home cooked food!

Phil's love of travel took him all over the world, where he could continue to soak up and learn about everything from Italian food and Jewish antiquities to Parisian art and German opera. It was these trips that he was blessed to share

with Rovena and regales his family with stories upon his return. One of Phil's proudest achievements was his family who loved him immensely. Affectionately known as Pop-Phil, he spent much of his free time with his children and grandchildren, often hosting big family dinners that were filled with a lot of energy and laughter.

In addition to being survived by his wife Rovena of Jericho, Phil is also survived by his in-laws and surrogate parents Morton and Harriet Shreck; sons: Mitch, husband of Sarah Marcus of Forest Hills, Brian, husband of Faith Marcus of New York City; a daughter, Alyssa, wife of Gary Klein of Harrisburg Pennsylvania; and grandchildren, Max Marcus, Luke Marcus, Julia Klein, Jake Marcus, Jenna Klein and Liam Philip Marcus. Funeral services were held on Thursday, April 12th at Gutterman's Funeral Home, Woodbury, NY. Burial was in Beth Moses Jewish Cemetery, Pinelawn, NY.

**GERTRUDE K. MICHLOVITZ
BENSON SORIN**
Gertrude K. Michlovitz Benson

Sorin, 91, of Harrisburg, passed away on Sunday, April 22, 2012 at the Harrisburg Hospital. She was born on January 21, 1921 in Worcester, MA to the late Aaron "Albert" and Miriam (Rappaport) Shear. She was retired from the Commonwealth of PA, Board of Probation and Parole as a receptionist. Trudy was a long-time member of Chisuk Emuna Congregation and a member of the Chisuk Emuna Sisterhood. She was an active member of Hadassah, and active with The Yeshiva Academy. Trudy loved to travel and had done so all over the world. She enjoyed art, painting, was a calligrapher, and was a fabulous cook who set an elegant table. She was the widow of Israel "Billy" Michlovitz, Walter Benson and David Sorin. Surviving are her son Richard D. Michlovitz and his wife Beth of Harrisburg; her two daughters Marilyn S. Wotring of Irvine, CA, Shari Michlovitz of San Diego, CA; her brother Hillel Shear of San Diego, CA; her sister Sara Neiman of Baltimore, MD; her five grandchildren Lisa Bonebrake and her husband Craig, Lynette Wotring, Rayelle Wotring, Samantha Michlovitz and her fiancé

Felix Korostin, Ari Michlovitz; her two great-grandsons Thomas Bonebrake and Adam Bonebrake. She was preceded in death by her sister Helena Cirt. Funeral services were held on Monday, April 23rd 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 Michlovitz - Sorin family, please go to www.hetrickbitnerfuneralhome.com.

FRED A. STERN

Fred A. Stern, 90, of Harrisburg, passed Monday, April 9, 2012 at Harrisburg Hospital. He was born in Gladenbach, Germany on May 11, 1921 to the late Siegfried and Berthe (Hess) Stern. He was a co-owner in the family business, Hesteco Manufacturing; a member of Beth El Temple and a WWII Army veteran. Fred was a great

family man, who loved his family. Surviving are his wife, Estelle G. Stern; his son, Jerry Stern of Harrisburg; his daughter, Linda Stern and her husband, Norm Courney of Middletown; three grandchildren, Dylan, Yarrow and Quinn. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, April 10th at the Beth El Cemetery Chapel, with Rabbi Eric Cytryn officiating. Burial was in the Beth El Cemetery. To share on-line condolences, please visit www.hetrickbitner.com.

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Senior Adult Lunch Program – 10 a.m., JCC
Program: “Something Historic” with
Herb Rochman, 12:30 p.m.
Take Me Under Your Wing –
Kabbalistic & Chasidic Stories, 7:30 p.m., JCC

TUESDAY, MAY 8

Senior Adult Lunch Program – 10 a.m., JCC
Program: Free Blood Pressure Screening

THURSDAY, MAY 10

Senior Adult Lunch Program – 10 a.m., JCC
Program: Chisuk Emuna Lunch N Learn,
“Israel at 64: Celebrating What’s Beyond
the Headlines, 12:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 13

Jewish Film Festival, 2-9 p.m., JCC

MONDAY, MAY 14

Jewish Film Festival, 5:30-9:30 p.m., State Museum

TUESDAY, MAY 15

Senior Adult Lunch Program – 10 a.m., JCC
Program: “Annual Spring Musical Revue” 12:30 p.m., JCC
Jewish Film Festival, 5:30-9:30 p.m., State Museum

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

Jewish Film Festival, 5:30-9:30 p.m., State Museum

THURSDAY, MAY 17

Senior Adult Lunch Program – 10 a.m., JCC
Program: “Something Historic” with Herb Rochman,
12:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 18

Jewish Film Festival, 5:30-7:30 p.m., State Museum

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