Great weather and a large crowd of people were the ingredients for the successful Harrisburg JCC Open House on Sunday, September 9. The event was held one year after the flood that devastated the JCC in September 2011. “In only a year, we have gone from complete devastation on the bottom level of the building to a totally new center. We have new boilers and mechanicals, a vibrant Early Learning Center, and a great workout space in our Fitness Center which features all new weight equipment,” commented CFO Carl Braunegg.

The Open House featured music from Klock Entertainment, free food, children's activities and entertainment, fitness classes and tours of the building. The building was bustling with people. From children running to see Bob's Critters to those young at heart having their picture taken in the photo booth, the constant flow of people filled the halls of the J with lots of laughter. Membership director Linda Skulsky was busy all day long signing up new individuals and families. Twenty new memberships were sold. “We are excited to welcome these new members, as we feel they are going to be active members who really utilize the building and the classes and programs we offer,” said Skulsky.

The day did not happen without the hard work of the JCC staff and its volunteers. Program Director Andrea Weikert stated, “The success came due to the dedication of so many volunteers and staff giving of their time and energy. New members commented on the commitment and excitement demonstrated by our wonderful committee members. We are so fortunate to have a community that cares.”

The Open House was the kick-off to an exciting year of programming. In addition to all the staple programs that people expect, the JCC staff and committees have planned many new events to engage every age group in the community. JCC Member and Vice President of Communications Dan Schwab summed it up best, “The momentum and passion that began at this event is exactly what our JCC needed to build upon to have a successful year and future.”
An Open Letter to the Staff of the Federation and JCC

September 9, 2012

As we gather today for A New Day at the J, I just want to thank you for all you’ve done over the years to serve and strengthen our community, especially this past tumultuous year.

As we gather today to welcome people into the J to sample the programs you offer, please know that you are the ones who create and support the sense of community that draws people in. Thank you for making the JCC a home away from home for my family and for so many other families.

As our Federation leaders work with you and volunteers and donors and others in the community to strengthen our Jewish community, I pray that G-d will guide us to work together to build on the foundation that has been built and encourage all to join the Jewish Community Center family.

Exactly a year ago, as the waters rose, I stood at Third and Vaughn looking down at the river and lamenting the destruction that was befalling our JCC. I said hello to a little boy who was there with his parents. The boy recognized me; he was a student at the Early Learning Center. His father recognized me from our shlepping stuff from the ELC to the Mary Sachs Auditorium a couple nights before. This non-Jewish couple could not stop raving about how much they enjoy the ELC and the Jewish values that their son is learning.

The JCC is an incredibly important part of the Jewish and general community. Thank you for sustaining it. Now more than ever people are looking for a sense of community. More than the building, more than the facility, people are looking for a place to belong. Thank you for welcoming people to join the family.

I look forward to volunteering with you today. (I did take responsibility for the weather and it seems like I did that job pretty well.)

Let’s have a great day!

Ron Muroff
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 healthcare 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 healthcare professionals to serve as resources to the entire community.

The prescription for success for our Maimonides Society is a fellowship whose programs integrate medical and Jewish concerns and demonstrate the unique contributions that healthcare professionals can make to improve the community.

For more information on the Maimonides Society and upcoming events, please contact Francine Feinerman at (717) 236-9555 ext. 3299 or e-mail at f.feinerman@jewishfedhbg.org

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Let’s make sure your vote counts!

I would appreciate your support on Election Day. The deadline to REGISTER TO VOTE is October 9. The deadline to apply for an ABSENTEE BALLOT is October 30. For assistance, contact us at 717-232-6500 or info@robotteplitz.com; call Dauphin County’s Elections Office at 717-780-6360; or visit www.votespa.com. If you have questions about the new Voter ID law, call 1-866-OUR-VOTE.

**ABOUT ROB TEPLITZ**

I am a lifelong member the Harrisburg Jewish community, husband of Randi, father of Ben and Adam, son of Judi and Alan Teplitz, brother of Bonni Roseman, and grandson of Marty and Lil Roberts. I’m proud to be the Democratic candidate for the 15th district (Dauphin & York counties). As your State Senator, I’ll focus every day on creating jobs, strengthening our schools, keeping your taxes as low as possible, and ending politics as usual in Harrisburg. For more information, please call 717-232-6500 or visit www.robteplitz.com.

Paid for by Friends of Rob Teplitz
An Evening with
SIDNEY FRIEDMAN
October 18, 2012
Make your reservations early!

Is it possible for a performer to identify the owners of personal objects when those objects have been placed on a tray while his back is turned?

Find out for yourself during An Evening with SIDNEY FRIEDMAN, Thursday evening, October 18, at 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center.

“We felt it was time to do something a bit different than we’ve done in the past—something lighter and fun,” says David Herman, JFGH Annual Campaign Chair. “Sidney fits the bill plus his reviews from other communities have been outstanding. We also wanted to kick off the JCC programming year with a program that would appeal to everyone.”

“We want people to feel part of the community and valued for whatever role they wish to play,” says Herman. “Whether people are engaged in the Jewish community on a social, religious or secular level, we want them to know that the Jewish Federation is here to strengthen the Jewish community in Harrisburg through the Jewish Community Center and affiliate agencies.”

Friedman is a veteran entertainer who has performed at venues around the world to rave reviews. He is a combination of futurist, mentalist, mind-power expert, musician, “mathemagician” and author. He’s been featured on the Today Show and The View, and praised by many celebrities and corporate executives.

This is a combined event to kick off the new and exciting 2013 JCC programming year and the 2013 Jewish Federation Campaign. “By combining light-hearted fun with Campaign,” said Ted Merwin, JCC Program Committee Chair, “we hope the evening will leave a positive impression among the audience, fostering new passion for and commitment to the Annual Campaign. We’d like people to realize that their Campaign dollars make programs like this possible.”

A delicious dessert reception will follow the performance, sponsored by Giant®.

Tickets are $18 per adult and $12 per student. Please reserve your place early by contacting Beth Romano at 236-9555 ext. 3204 or b.romano@jewishfedhbg.org or online at www.jewishharrisburg.org and click on the Sidney Friedman link or program link. Payments also may be mailed to Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg, 3301 N Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110 -- Attn: Sidney Friedman Event. Additional questions? Contact Francine Feinerman at 236-9555 Ext. 3299 or Andrea Weikert at Ext. 3108.
MAKE A WISH.
ROSH HASHANAH IS THE WORLD’S BIRTHDAY

What do you wish for? A vibrant Jewish community? A place to create wonderful memories and celebrate Jewish life?

Whatever your wish for, the Jewish Federation is working to make it real.

Help us make this the best year ever.

DONATE.
VOLUNTEER.
MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
For many of us, the beginning of the year is September. The school year starts, new television seasons begin and for us in the Jewish community, Rosh Hashanah is the “head of the year.”

At the beginning of each year, good financial planning demands that we “house clean” by reviewing and updating to reflect any changes over the past twelve months. It is important to assure that our documents are in order.

The easiest way to do this is to place them all in one place, just in case….

A checklist of these documents includes:

- The essentials; your will, letter of instruction and any trust documents you may have.
- Marriage and divorce; marriage license and divorce documents.
- Health care; personal and family medical histories, durable health power of attorney, authorization to release health care information, living will and do-not-resuscitate order.
- Proof of ownership; Housing, land and cemetery deeds, escrow mortgage accounts, proof of loans made and debts owed, vehicle titles, stock certificates, savings bonds and brokerage accounts, partnership and corporate operating agreements and past seven years’ tax returns.
- Life insurance and retirement; life insurance policies, individual retirement accounts, 401(k) accounts, pension documents and annuity contracts.
- Bank accounts; list of all bank accounts, list of all user names and passwords and list of safe deposit boxes with key locations.
- Note the essentials. Every year at this time I remind myself to make sure that my will is up to date (you DO have a will, right?) as well as any instructions that I wish to leave. Remember; if we do not take care of these items, the state of Pennsylvania will dictate how our assets are distributed and we can leave no additional wishes.
- My personal hope for you is that you have to read this annual reminder next year and for many years to come, but we never know and it is crucial to have our annual “clean up.”

An additional step is to think about our charitable giving. We all know that we are going to be solicited many times throughout the year. How are we going to respond? I again want to suggest that we all decide how much we can give over the year, put it aside to gain the tax deduction for which we are entitled, and stick to it!

The best way to achieve this is through a donor advised fund with the Foundation. As the late great Mae West said, “Stop up and see me sometime…."

Candidates
Night
at the JCC
October 30, 2012 | 7:00 PM

Jeanette Krebs, Moderator
Editorial Page Editor, Patriot-News

Candidates/Surrogates for the Following Offices Have Been Invited
President, Senate, House of Representatives, State Senate and State House of Representatives, Auditor General, Attorney General and Treasurer
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 afternoons at 1:30 – 2:15 p.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 at 1:30-2:15 p.m. 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.

SilverSplash® – Activate your aqua urge for variety! SilverSplash® offers lots of fun and shallow water moves to improve agility, flexibility and cardiovascular endurance. No swimming ability is required and a special SilverSneakers® kickboard is used to develop strength, balance and coordination. Mondays/Wednesday 9:30 -10:30 a.m. Drop-in Fee $5 per class. Free to JCC members and SilverSneakers® participants.

The Jewish Community Center is offering the following senior events:

- Dr. Andrea Lieber Merwin of Dickinson College will lecture. October 25, 2012
- The Lydian Winds and the Dickinson College-Community Orchestra. He has given many presentations at the Pennsylvania Symphony as a bassoonist as well as the Lydian Winds and the Dickinson College-Community Orchestra. He continues to teach as an Adjunct Professor of Musicology at the Eastman School of Music of the University of Rochester in the summer sessions. His specialties in the field of music are Russian Music and American Jazz, and he continues to perform in the Central Pennsylvania Symphony as a bassoonist as well as the Lydian Winds and the Dickinson College-Community Orchestra. He has given many presentations at the Harrisburg Jewish Community Center. Please make your reservations for lunch and Dr. Bullard’s next lecture at the JCC Senior Adult Club on Thursday, September 27, 2012. Call Cheryl at 236-9555 EXT. 3115.

JCC Senior Adult Club will host Dr. Truman Bullard on September 27, 2012

Dr. Truman Bullard is Professor Emeritus of Music at Dickinson College, where for thirty-five years he taught Music History and Theory, and conducted the Dickinson College Choir and Chamber Choir. He continues to teach as an Adjunct Professor of Musicology at the Eastman School of Music of the University of Rochester in the summer sessions. His specialties in the field of music are Russian Music and American Jazz, and he continues to perform in the Central Pennsylvania Symphony as a bassoonist as well as the Lydian Winds and the Dickinson College-Community Orchestra. He has given many presentations at the Harrisburg Jewish Community Center. Please make your reservations for lunch and Dr. Bullard’s next lecture at the JCC Senior Adult Club on Thursday, September 27, 2012. Call Cheryl at 236-9555 EXT. 3115.
And the Mirror Ball trophy goes to...

The Jewish Community Center’s 1st Annual Dancing with Our Community Stars fundraising event will samba into town on Saturday, November 17.

The event, which will take place in the Mary Sachs Auditorium, is a take-off of ABC’s hit show Dancing With the Stars and will showcase seven community couples who have volunteered to put their dancing skills to the test and dazzle the audience with their footwork. Similar to the television show, each participant will work with a professional dancer from PADanceSport.


As an added bonus, the show will also feature a musical number from JCC’s upcoming musical production Hairspray.

Participants will compete for the coveted Mirror Ball Trophy. The best male and female dancers will be judged by a panel of judges and the Master Ceremonies of the event is Alicia Richards from ABC 27.

Tickets for the event are $25 for adults and $15 for students and includes heavy hors d’oeuvres, beverages, desserts and 1 vote for your favorite couple. Each additional vote is $10.00 each. Limited seats are available, so purchase your tickets now by mailing a check to JCC, 3301 N Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110, or by calling 236-9555, ext. 0 or www.jewishharrisburg.org.

To help put the “fun” back in fundraising and sponsor the event:

Sponsorship Levels & Benefits

$5,000 – The Tango
• 6 Event Tickets with priority seating • 12 Votes
• Recognition in event publicity and JCC Website

$2,500 – The Waltz
• 4 Event Tickets • 8 Votes
• Recognition in event publicity and JCC Website

$1,000 – The Fox Trot
• 2 Event Tickets • 4 Votes
• Recognition in event publicity and JCC Website

$200 – The Cha Cha
• 1 Event Ticket

Modeled after the highly successful TV show, Dancing with our Stars pairs local community couples with a professional dance instructor to teach a dance routine.

Our stars and pros will be training long and hard to work on their dance moves. The competition will be hot and a panel of local celebrity judges will be evaluating the dancers and will select a winning pair. There will also be a crowd favorite crowned.

SAVE THE DATE!

The Guild of the Jewish Home invites you to our next Mah Jongg Tournament to be held on Sunday, October 14, 2012 from 9:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Colonial Golf & Tennis Club on the Linglestown Road.

For more information, please contact Charlotte at 717.232.2106.

Dodgeball TOURNAMENT

Saturday Night, October 6 & Sunday October 7, 2012

Create a fun team name, grab some costumes and hit the floor for dodgeball!

Co-ed dodgeball tournament with age categories for 1st grade to adults.

Teams may have between 6 to 10 players on roster with 6 people playing at any one time.

Cost: $8 per member & $13 non members.

For more information or sign up forms please contact Terri Travers at t.travers@jewishfedhbg.org or 236-9555 ext. 3110

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Free Pickleball Clinic

Sunday, September 23
1-3 pm
HBG JCC
3301 N. Front Street
Harrisburg PA 17110

Come learn about the game that is sweeping the nation from USAPA ambassador Joe Nolt. The clinic will allow all those in attendance to learn the rules and start playing pickleball.
No experience is necessary.

Participants should wear comfortable clothes and sneakers. We will have equipment for those in attendance to use. Pickleball is a game for any age and has seen popularity in the active senior population to those who are young.
Clinic is open to those 13 years of age to senior adults.

For more information contact t.travers@jewishfedhbg.org or 236-9555 ext. 3110
Even before Marilyn and Joel Klein (z’l) established the Josh Klein Bikur* Cholim Society in their third son’s memory, they had had more exposure than any parent would want to the importance of bikur cholim—or visiting the sick. Josh, who was born with major heart defects, had undergone surgery several times.

But it was during his final hospitalization in Philadelphia that the Klein family came to know bikur cholim in an “unofficial, and extended way,” recalls Marilyn Klein. “Someone in Harrisburg told us about the Philadelphia bikur cholim. They were wonderful. Josh was confined to the sixth floor, and as soon as someone got out of the elevator with a kippah, the nurses would automatically point that person to his room.”

The Harrisburg Jewish community also played a part in dispensing chesed—acts of loving-kindness. Marilyn would spend Mondays through Thursdays in Philadelphia, while Joel would be with their son the other days. There would always be home-cooked meals in their refrigerator when either of them returned.

After Josh passed away in 1999 while awaiting organ donations, the Kleins decided to create an overarching organization devoted to bikur cholim to reach beyond individual rabbis and synagogues and also to serve the unaffiliated.

Marilyn had heard about the Bikur Cholim Coordinating Council in New York City, founded by her father, Rabbi Isaac N. Trainin (z’l) in 1986 (and now under the auspices of Jewish Board of Family and Children’s Services). She spoke with him and visited hospitals. A trainer from the Council came to Harrisburg. “I saw no stumbling block to creating an organization here,” Klein says.

Every day volunteers from Josh Klein Bikkur Cholim Society visit patients in area hospitals—adhering closely to HIPAA laws. On Fridays, patients receive electric Shabbat candlesticks with challot baked by Varda Gewirtz (Challah with a Twist). Electric Hanukkah menorahs are available, and newborn babies are given gifts of tzedakah boxes.

Every visitor wears an identifying badge and offers patients a package with a logo designed by Susan Leviton. The package includes a brochure about the Society designed by Marian Frankston and a tchotchke (little toy) to cheer patients.

Volunteers also provide meals to families in crisis, in accordance with Maimonides’s principle that the giver and recipient be unknown to one another.

The Society also brings volunteers to the Jewish Home. Josh had led religious services there for two years as part of his Hebrew High class. “I felt the need to continue that, which I’ve been doing for 12 years,” says Klein. “We put together a hardbound prayerbook in his memory.”

Many young people have come to help out with services and visit residents to fulfill a school requirement and end up coming for years, she adds. Some have held bar and bat mitzvah ceremonies at the Home.

To enhance the friendly visits at the Home, the young volunteers often use puppets donated by former Harrisburger Calla Samuels in memory of her mother and Just for the Mitzvah Company craft projects.

The Society works cooperatively with Jewish Family Service, which offers programs to enable homebound and disabled adults to live independently in their homes for as long as possible. Since May 2000, the Josh Klein Bikkur Cholim Society’s 50 volunteers have made visits to more than 7,000 hospital patients.

Beyond the specifics, Klein works to “spread the word of bikur cholim.” She teaches a class at Hebrew High and speaks to JCC campers. She has also addressed Jewish students at Hershey Medical Center.

The Josh Klein Bikkur Cholim Society was honored one year at the Annual Conference of BCCC, now named for Rabbi Trainin. This year, which marks the 25th anniversary of the Bikur Cholim Coordinating Council annual conference, Klein will be part of a panel that will address the many different aspects of visiting the sick.

For more information or to volunteer with the Josh Klein Bikkur Cholim Society, call Marilyn Klein at 545-8796; or visit the web site: www.joshkleinbcs.org.

*Because of the varying transliterations from the Hebrew, the word “bikur” is spelled differently. In general in the text I have followed the spelling preferred by the Council, whereas the Josh Klein Bikkur Cholim Society uses a double “K.”
Mah Jongg Tournament
Experienced & Less Experienced Players Invited!

The Guild of the Jewish Home Invites You to a Mah Jongg Tournament to be held Sunday, October 14, 2012 • 9:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
At the Colonial Golf & Tennis Club
4901 Linglestown Road • Harrisburg, PA 17112
(off Linglestown Road, Turn onto Fairway Lane)
Cost: $40.00 to include lunch & cash prizes

For More Information: Contact Charlotte at 717-232-2106

Please return tear-off with payment to: Guild of the Jewish Home • 4520 Hillside Court • Harrisburg, PA 17110 by October 5, 2012.

Name: _______________________________ Telephone: _______________________________
Address: _______________________________________________________________________
E-mail: _______________________________________________________________________

Experienced Players: Choose 50 minute rounds ______
Less Experienced Players: Choose 1 hour and 15 minute rounds ______
I will bring my Mah Jongg Set: ____ Yes ____ No
I would be interested in being East: ___ Yes ___ No

All Proceeds Benefit the Fundraising Efforts of The Guild of the Jewish Home
High Holy Days Service Schedule 2012

Shabbat Shuvah
- September 28: Friday night (Mincha/Ma"ariv) – 6:50 p.m.
- Friday morning services at 9 a.m.
- Mincha: 5:15 p.m., Kabbalat Shabbat, Shacharit 6:30 p.m.
- Yom Kippur: Erev Yom Kippur, Kol Nidre, 6:45 p.m., Mincha/Ma"ariv, 6:30 p.m.
- Sukkot Day I, Monday, October 1st: Mincha/Ma"ariv, 6:30 p.m.

Shemini Atzeret
- Friday, September 21: Mincha/Ma"ariv, 6:30 p.m.
- Atzeret and Simchat Torah: Mincha, 5:15 p.m.
- Ne"ila, 6:45 p.m.
- Fast concludes, 7:41 p.m. with breakfast
- Erev Sukkot, Sunday, September 30th: Mincha/Ma"ariv, 6:30 p.m.

Sukkot Day II, Tuesday, October 2nd: Mincha/Ma"ariv, 6:30 p.m.

Chol Hamoed/Intermediate Days of Sukkot
- Sukkot, Wednesday, October 3rd: Shacharit, 9:15 a.m.
- Mincha/Ma"ariv, 6:30 p.m.

Yom Kippur
- Kol Nidre: 6:45 p.m.
- Shacharit, 9:15 a.m., Mincha and Ma"ariv, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 4th: Mincha/Ma"ariv, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, October 5th: Chol Hamoed/Intermediate Days of Sukkot, Mincha/Ma"ariv, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 6th: Shacharit, 9:15 a.m., Mincha/Ma"ariv, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 7th: High Holy Days Service Schedule 2012
- Shacharit: 9:15 a.m., Mincha/Ma"ariv, 6:30 p.m.
- Shacharit (includes Yizkor, Prayers of Remembrance), 9:15 a.m., Mincha/Ma"ariv, 6:25 p.m.

Monday, October 8th
- Shacharit: 9:15 a.m., Mincha/Ma"ariv, 6:30 p.m.
- Erev Simchat Torah Celebration Monday, October 8th: Simchat Torah Preparation & Ma"ariv, 7 p.m.
- Simchat Torah: Tuesday, October 9th: Shacharit, 9:15 a.m., Mincha and Ma"ariv, 6:25 p.m.
- For more information about Chisuk Emuna programs and services, please call our office at 232-4851.

Repentance
- Friday, September 21st: Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat and Ma"ariv 6:45 p.m.
- Saturday, September 22nd: Shacharit, 9:15 a.m, Mincha and Ma"ariv 6:50 p.m.
- Erev Yom Kippur: Mincha, 2 p.m.
- Kol Nidre, 6:30 p.m.
- Yom Kippur:
  - Wednesday, September 26th: Shacharit, 9 a.m.
  - Mincha, 5:15 p.m.
  - Ne"ila, 6:45 p.m.
  - Fast concludes, 7:41 p.m. with breakfast
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Join us for our contemporary Kabbalat Shabbat at 7:15 p.m. or our more traditional Shacharit Shabbat at 9 a.m. Temple Beth Shalom is proud to offer a range of programming for all ages.
HIGH HOLY DAYS SCHEDULE
Yom Kippur:
Kol Nidre at 8 p.m., Sanctuary
Morning Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
Morning Family Service, 10 a.m., Lehrman Chapel
Meditation Service, 2 p.m., Lehrman Chapel
Children’s Service, 2 p.m., Sanctuary
Afternoon Service, 3 p.m.
Yizkor, 4:30 p.m.
Ne’ilah, 5:15 p.m.
Friday, September 28: Shabbat Service, 6 p.m.

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TEMPLE OHEV SHOLOM
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HIGH HOLIDAYS SERVICE SCHEDULE
Friday, September 21: Shabbat Service, 6 p.m., Lehrman Chapel
Sunday, September 23: Memorial Service, 2 p.m., Bookstaber Memorial Chapel at Mt. Moriah Cemetery
Tuesday, September 25: Kol Nidre, 8 p.m., Sanctuary
Wednesday, September 26: Yom Kippur
Morning Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
Morning Family Service, 10 a.m., Lehrman Chapel
Meditation Service, 2 p.m., Lehrman Chapel
Children’s Service, 2 p.m., Sanctuary
Afternoon Service, 3 p.m.
Yizkor, 4:30 p.m.
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L’Shana Tova
Ruth & Chuck Klein
Best Wishes for a Happy & Healthy New Year
Mary and Steve Lamonoff

New Year’s Greetings
from
Bob Chernicoff & Bruce Warshawsky of Cunningham & Chernicoff, P.C.

community calendar

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
EREV YOM KIPUR
NO SENIOR ADULT PROGRAM
BUILDING CLOSES AT 6 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
YOM KIPUR
ALL FACILITIES CLOSED

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
Senior Adult Program – 10 a.m., JCC
Program: Music lecture by Dr. Truman Bullard

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
Big Kids Night Out – Trivia Contest, 8-10 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
EREV SUKKOT
JCC 5K Walk/Run, 8:30 a.m., JCC
BUILDING CLOSES AT 6 P.M.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1 – SUKKOT
ALL FACILITIES CLOSED

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4
Senior Adult Lunch Program – 10 a.m., JCC
Program: “Something Historic” with Herb Rochman, 12:30 p.m.
Federation Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m., JCC
Guess Who We Bumped Into?

By Rabbi Akiva Males

In August, Layala and I were fortunate to enjoy a visit to the beautiful state of Colorado. The vistas around us were breath-taking, and it was wonderful to recite together a special blessing while gazing out at G-d’s magnificent Rocky Mountains.

Near the end of our stay, while taking in the sights of Cheyenne Canyon Park (near Colorado Springs), something caught my eye.

There are so many sheer rock faces in Colorado that it attracts many rock-climbers, and we saw them everywhere.

But what was it that I had noticed? We had just driven past a group suiting up to climb a canyon wall. Like all the other climbers in the park, they were loaded with gear: ropes, packs, carabiners, helmets, etc. However, each climber in this group was wearing an OD (olive drab) green military uniform. I knew right away that those uniforms were definitely not current U.S. issue. I had a hunch they were Tzahal (IDF -- Israeli Defense Forces) uniforms, but what would IDF Chayalim (soldiers) be doing in the middle of Cheyenne Canyon Park?!

We turned the car around and pulled up to them. I quickly spotted the embroidered “Tzahal” tabs above their breast pockets, jumped out of the car, and exclaimed, “Chevrah, Mah Inyanim?!” (Hey guys, what’s happening?)

They were just as surprised to see us, as we were to see them. I shook their hands and said, “I’m Akiva and this is my wife Layala”. I told them about my two brothers living in Israel; they told us where in Israel they lived, and we enjoyed a short, friendly chat.

We asked them why they were in the middle of Colorado. They were pretty tight-lipped, and all they told us was that they were in the park to practice rock-climbing skills. As they clearly were not able to share too much information, we wished each other well and parted ways.

I immediately called my brother Josh in Israel (he served as an IDF combat medic) to ask if he could make any sense of why we had just stumbled upon a group of uniformed Tzahal Chayalim in the middle of Colorado. He told me that after a helicopter full of IDF personnel crashed in Romania a few years ago, many Israelis demanded to know why their husbands, sons, and brothers were training in that foreign country. At that point, word got out that the IDF sends select units of soldiers all over the world to train (unarmed) in the environments of other friendly countries. This way, there will always be some IDF units ready to handle missions in whatever terrains or conditions they are sent into. The group we stumbled upon must have been training for missions involving rock climbing in high altitudes.

(Why were they wearing IDF uniforms rather than jeans and t-shirts, which would have made them much less conspicuous? Perhaps the U.S. only allows friendly foreign forces to train on U.S. soil if they are clearly identifiable.)

That squad of IDF soldiers was probably the last sight we had expected to see in Cheyenne Canyon Park that day. I guess we can all feel a bit safer knowing that Tzahal’s Chayalim may be out in our country’s National and State Parks! May G-d look after Israel’s brave soldiers – wherever they may be.

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HELEN G. DANOWITZ
Helen G. Danowitz, of Harrisburg, passed away Monday, September 3, 2012 at the Jewish Home of Greater Harrisburg. She was born in Hagerstown, MD on February 29, 1916 to the late Moses and Ida (Lyon) Garonzik. She retired from Credential Leasing Corporation as a Financial Officer; she was a member of Beth El Temple, Sisterhood, Hadassah and the Executive Women International. She is preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Danowitz and her brother, Matty Garonzik. Surviving are her daughter, Brendalynne Oplatka of San Francisco. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, September 5th at the Beth El Cemetery Chapel, with Rabbi Eric Cytryn officiating. Burial followed in the Beth El Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by the Hetrick-Bitner Funeral Home. To send online condolences to the Sussman family, please visit HetrickBitner.com.

SCOTT NEIL GARONZIK
Scott Neil Garonzik, 59, of Boca Raton, FL, formerly of Harrisburg, PA, lost his battle for life from pancreatic cancer on Tuesday, September 4, 2012. He is survived by his beloved wife, Nicole, two loving children, Zachary, age 14, and Sabrina, age 11, and a sister, Diane Garonzik of Glenview, IL. He is the son of the late Pearl and Herbert Garonzik of Harrisburg, PA. Scott co-founded the SNG Prosthetic Eye Institute of Boca Raton in 1989. He graduated from the Harrisburg Academy which honored him with the “Athlete of the Year” award in 1980. He attended Penn State University with a major in General Arts and Science and Pre-Med. His passions were his family, the desire to help his patients and of course, lacrosse and tennis. Services were held on Wednesday, September 5th at B’nai Torah Congregation, Boca Raton. Donations may be made to the Retina Blasotma Foundation, 6705 Red Road, Ste# H12, Miami, FL 33413, or B’nai Torah Congregation, 6261 SW 18th Street, Boca Raton, FL 33433, or The Pine Crest School, Scott Garonzik Memorial Lacrosse Fund, 2700 St. Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton, FL 33434.

BARBARA COHEN SHERMAN
Barbara Cohen Sherman passed away peacefully from lymphoma on August 31, 2012 at the age of 80 in San Francisco, CA. Barbara was the loving mother of Cindy Aaronson (Bill Levine) of Evanston, Illinois, Jo-Anne (Don) Hart of Englewood, Colorado, and David Sherman of Scottsdale, Arizona. She was a wonderful grandmother to Amy Aaronson Levine, Caitlin and Cody Hart, and Lyndsi and Mathew Sherman.
Barbara was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota on November 3, 1931. She attended the University of Minnesota, and in 1952 she pursued her dream of becoming an actress by moving to New York City to attend the American Academy of Dramatic Arts. In 1955, she married Larry Sherman of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and resided there until he sadly passed away in 1978. While in Harrisburg, in addition to being a devoted mother, Barbara was very active in the arts community. She served on numerous boards, was an art gallery director for four years, and also founded the Harrisburg Opera Association. In the 1970s, she founded the Parents Forum on Drugs. In 1978, Barbara moved to San Francisco and never slowed down. She quickly became a frequent visitor to the Bay Area to learn her way around the city. In 1983, she started her own business, Barbara Sherman Productions. For 12 years, she produced live jazz events in San Francisco and ultimately combined her love of art and jazz and produced jazz in almost every museum in San Francisco, becoming the first person to do this at that time. Barbara also took a jazz group to Istanbul, Turkey, to perform at the Istanbul Music Festival in 1985. Barbara was always active in the visual arts community and served on the board of SECA at the Museum of Modern Art. She is the founder of the Downtown Harrisburg Association, a past board member of Harristown, a past president of the PA Retailers Association, past board member of the Downtown Harrisburg Association, and president of the Pennsylvania Retailers Association, past treasurer of the Harrisburg Parking Authority, a member of William S. Snyder Lodge #756 F&AM and the Harrisburg Consistory. Above all, Bob was a proud husband, father and grandfather. Surviving are his wife Cynthia (Morrison) Sussman, his son Mark Y. Sussman and his wife Susan of Harrisburg; his two daughters Ilene Sussman and her husband Paul Plasky of Newton, MA, Linda B. Sussman and her husband Jeffery Hammer of Chevy Chase, MD; his sister Karen Meyer and her husband Irwin of West Lake, CA; and his five grandchildren Jeremy, Daniel and his wife Emily, Aaron, Naomi and Judith. Funeral services were held on Sunday, September 2nd in the Beth El Cemetery Chapel, with Rabbi Eric Cytryn officiating. Burial was in Beth El Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by the Hetrick-Bitner Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Jewish Community. If you have any questions or concerns during this time of transition, please call either Nathan Bitner or Steve Bomgardner.

BARNETT A. “BOB” SUSSMAN
Barnett A. “Bob” Sussman, 85, of Susquehanna Township, passed away on Wednesday, August 29, 2012 at the Harrisburg Hospital. He was born on November 3, 1926 in New Brunswick, NJ to the late Herman and Rose (Resnick) Sussman. Bob graduated from Fork Union Military Academy, attended Pennsylvania Military College and graduated from The University of Miami. He was a United States Navy Veteran of WW II. Bob was the owner/operator of the Youth Centre-Deb Shop a children’s and junior’s clothing store and founder of Dance Distributors. He was a member of Beth El Temple, the founder of the Downtown Harrisburg Association, a past board member of Harristown, a past president of the Pennsylvania Retailers Association, past treasurer of the Harrisburg Parking Authority, a member of William S. Snyder Lodge #756 F&AM and the Harrisburg Consistory. Above all, Bob was a proud husband, father and grandfather. Surviving are his wife Cynthia (Morrison) Sussman, his son Mark Y. Sussman and his wife Susan of Harrisburg; his two daughters Ilene Sussman and her husband Paul Plasky of Newton, MA, Linda B. Sussman and her husband Jeffery Hammer of Chevy Chase, MD; his sister Karen Meyer and her husband Irwin of West Lake, CA; and his five grandchildren Jeremy, Daniel and his wife Emily, Aaron, Naomi and Judith. Funeral services were held on Sunday, September 2nd in the Beth El Cemetery Chapel, with Rabbi Eric Cytryn officiating. Burial was in Beth El Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by the Hetrick-Bitner Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Jewish Community. If you have any questions or concerns during this time of transition, please call either Nathan Bitner or Graham Hetrick at 545-3774 and we will be happy to assist you in any of your needs.

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Join us for Big Kids Night Out at the JCC!

Saturday, September 29, 8:00 - 10:30 pm

Compete for great prizes in TV and movie trivia!
Bring a team of 4, or join one when you arrive.

Fee: $10.00/Regular Rate, $5.00/JCC Member
Includes snacks and alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages
Must be at least 21 years of age. Everyone is welcome to attend.

To register please call the JCC at 236-9555, ext. 0. Questions?? Contact Andrea at a.weikert@jewishfedhbg.org