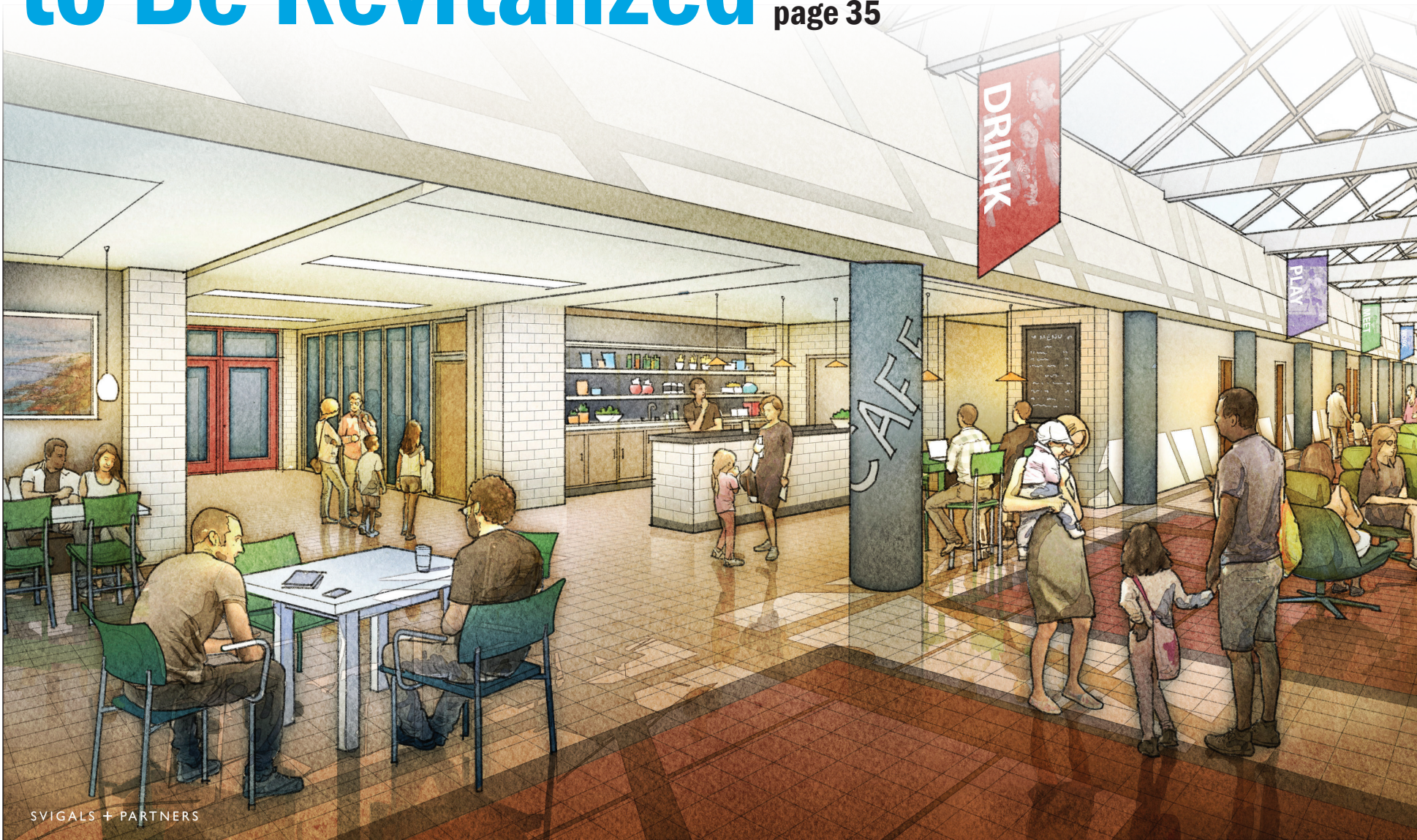




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We Celebrate Vibrancy, Strength of Our Community

The days are a little shorter, the air is a little crisper, the leaves are beginning to tinge with the faintest of colors – fall is here!

The summer months were anything but quiet in our community and the world. Jewish learning experiences happened in day and overnight camps at Gan Israel, JCC Day Camps and Camp Laurelwood where kids tapped into the fun of being Jewish. I had the joy of experiencing camp Shabbat celebrations that were filled with ruach and kavanah. In addition to the beauty of Shabbat, our community welcomed young emissaries to camp for 10 days of Israeli culture and friendship. This program was made possible through our community's participation in the Southern New England Consortium (SNEC) that partners with Afula and Gilboa in Israel to build people-to-people relationships and programs (P2G).

Jewish life experiences were not just limited to camp this summer. Synagogues across our region were busy with activities including many Shabbat on the beach and Shabbat under the

stars events that took advantage of our beautiful surroundings. PJ Library families also gathered for programs on the beach. Temple Emanuel even travelled to explore Jewish Spain. Several area young people spent time in Israel on Birthright and MASA programs.

Work continued over the summer on our Jewish Community Center campus, which is expected to open this winter with a fresh, expanded look and enhanced programs, services and spaces that will serve all ages. See page 35 for all of the details on the project.

Special celebrations also abound in our community. Camp Laurelwood is celebrating its 80th year. Tower One/ Tower East is celebrating its 50th anniversary and will kick off the year-long celebration on Sept. 10. The New Haven Holocaust Memorial is celebrating its 40th year and will mark the occasion at the Kever Avot memorial service on Sept. 24 and the Jewish Federation is celebrating its 90th year. Temple Beth Tikvah also celebrated its 40th anniversary.

We are celebrating the vibrancy and strength of our Jewish community. At the same time, we are reminded that the freedom and security we enjoy as an American Jewish community are something to cherish and when necessary, to fight for. The summer months ended with loss of life at the hands of an angry mob of Nazis and White Nationalists in Charlottesville, Virginia. Hatred and bigotry have crawled out of the shadows and we must rise up to meet them and force them out of our streets, college campuses and daily lives. Our community is proud to stand shoulder to shoulder with other faith and minority communities. We will continue to speak out for justice and equality and look for opportunities that will bring us together.

Even during these trying times, there is much to look forward to in the year ahead. From my family to yours, I wish you a shanah tovah u'metukah—a very sweet, healthy, prosperous and happy New Year.

Judy



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Kristallnacht Commemoration Celebrates Mystery of Human Goodness

"I lied, stole and even killed...I had to save those children....I would do it again."

Marion Pritchard

Congregation Or Shalom's 11th annual Kristallnacht Commemoration is set for Sunday, Nov. 5, at 9 a.m. at the synagogue, which is located at 205 Old Grassy Hill Road in Orange.

This year's commemoration will honor the late Marion Pritchard, who helped save about 150 Dutch Jews, mostly children, in the midst of the Holocaust. Pritchard, who died at age 96 in December, was imprisoned and tortured by Nazis for her resistance work. In addition to participating in scores of short-term rescues, Pritchard sheltered the Polak family, including a newborn infant, Erica, for three years.

In the course of that undertaking, a known Dutch Nazi collaborator discovered the family Pritchard was hiding and was on the verge of informing on them to the Nazi authorities. In that moment, Pritchard did something that would haunt her for the rest of her life.

Guest speakers at this year's commemoration include U.S. Sen. Richard Blumenthal, Pritchard's son Arnie (Arnold) Pritchard, who lives in New Haven,

Professor Deborah Dwork, an American historian who specializes in the history of the Holocaust, and "baby Erica," whom Marion raised in hiding as her surrogate mother.

Congregation Or Shalom's annual Kristallnacht commemoration is truly a labor of love for Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus, who said his own family would not even exist if it weren't for the heroic deeds of people like Pritchard.

His family's own hero was Chiune Sugihara, the Japanese consul general to Lithuania who disobeyed his government's orders and issued visas that allowed 6,000 Jews to escape from Nazi-occupied territories through Japan. Many people know of Oskar Schindler, the businessman who saved more than 1,200 lives during the Holocaust, but Wainhaus believes that there are many other unsung heroes, like Sugihara and Pritchard, who should be honored for their heroic deeds.

So every year, for the past 11 years, Wainhaus spends close to a year searching for unknown or little-known heroes to honor for each commemoration. "It's a personal thing for me," he admitted. "It's hard to find these people, but I must do it."

"Most places, people cry on Kristallnacht like it is a



second Holocaust, " Wainhaus said, "but I think we should celebrate on Kristallnacht these amazing acts of heroism and selflessness. I'm a meshuganah. I've turned Kristallnacht on its head. It's an educational experience," he said of the annual Kristallnacht commemoration. "It's uplifting. It gives people hope. We are celebrating the mystery of human goodness."



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The 21-story high-rise, independent living community, located at 18 Tower Lane in New Haven, was designed by renowned architect Charles Moore and was completed in 1971. The founders of Tower One could not have anticipated the wonderful community that has blossomed some 50 years later. But as The Towers prepares to celebrate 50 years, it has surpassed its founding vision, becoming a community in its own right.

The Towers will kick off a year-long celebration of its golden anniversary on Sunday, Sept. 10, with an on-site event held from 1-3 p.m.

An early innovator in senior housing planning and design, The Towers offers a wide range of life-enriching programs and activities. When Tower One was built, people were moving in younger and some were still working. By recognizing the changing needs of seniors over the years – the average resident is now 88 – The Towers has been able to ensure residents are safe and cared for in their home.

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The foundation is funded by generous donations and this important work would not be possible without these gifts. Simply stated, the goal of the foundation is to provide a life worth living.

“We will continue to grow and provide more on-site, life-enriching programs and services for our residents and their families,” Interim President and CEO Jackie Curl said. “We are hoping that this year we will build our endowment to help ensure our success for the next 50 years. Whatever the future holds for us, our number one priority is to provide the highest quality of life to our residents.”

For more information, call (203)772-1816, or go to towerone.org.

JHSC Welcomes Largest Ninth-Grade Class Since Opening

This year, the Jewish High School of Connecticut (JHSC) welcomes the largest ninth-grade class since the school opened in 2010. More than 25 students will join their upper classmen for the fall semester of 2017.

“The community has started to realize the phenomenal opportunities that JHSC offers, and this class is a reflection of the success of our graduates as well as the reputation of our academics,” said Rabbi Elisha Paul, Head of School.

JHSC offers a unique approach to education that inspires and caters to each student’s individual skills, passions and aspirations. The school, located in a science and technology building, creates a “Google-like environment.”

JHSC is a community Jewish High School, serving students from grades 9-12. Students hail from a large swath of Connecticut and New York.

For more about JHSC, call (203)957-0850, or go to jhsct.org.

JCC’s Exciting New Arts & Culture Season Offers Something for Everyone

The fall line-up of cultural arts events presented by the JCC of Greater New Haven will bring authors, performers and community partners together for another burst of enriching programs that audiences of all ages can enjoy.

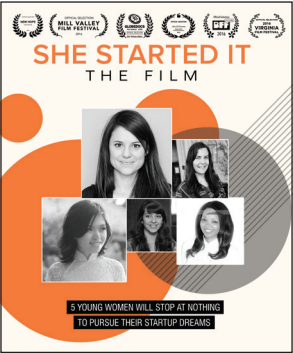
The talents of local, national, and international artists will grace lecterns and stages across the Greater New Haven catchment: from Cheshire to Chester, Madison to Milford.

Food enthusiasts will savor visits from authors Peter Gethers (“My Mother’s Kitchen”) and history buffs will enjoy the one-man play about Hollywood in the blacklist era, and “A Jewish Joke,” sponsored by CT Humanities and the Jewish Historical Society.

Rabbi and historian, David Dalin, will round out this category with his discussion of Jewish Supreme Court Justices at Temple Beth Tikvah.

Abigail Pogrebin’s discussion of her memoir, “My Jewish Year: 18 Holidays, One Wandering Jew” at Temple Beth David will provide a welcome perspective during the High Holiday season, and community members interested in deeper reflection can attend a pre-selichot gathering at The Yurt in Woodbridge. This special venue offers a peaceful environment for spiritual exploration and social togetherness.

Further opportunities for Jewish learning will be available at the annual “A Taste of Honey” event on Saturday, Nov. 18, and by attending “Group Night at Long Wharf Theater” for a performance of “The Chosen,” based on Chaim Potok’s award-winning novel.



Children and families will be excited for the Second Annual International Festival, this year taking place at the Whitneyville Cultural Center in Hamden.

Local community groups will offer crafts and activities from around the world, and featured performances by area dance and music groups will entertain and educate.

In addition, a variety of PJ Library programs are happening this fall at libraries, nature paths, and synagogues for all young families raising Jewish children.

Finally, programming for women includes a young professionals’ evening in partnership with Yale’s Slifka Center to screen the documentary, “She Started It,” about women entrepreneurs; the “Great Challah Bake,” at Yale Chabad as part of the international movement called “The Shabbos Project,” and brunch with author Susan Silver, former writer for “The Mary Tyler Moore Show” and later a speaker for the Anti-Defamation League, to discuss her book, “Hot Pants in Hollywood.”

For a full list of events, visit www.jccnh.org or contact the Programming Depart.:

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Through Jewish camps, Birthright and PJ Library books, the next generation is learning and connecting. This fortifies our legacy while knowledge and understanding promote kindness, acceptance and compassion in society.

Around the world, Federation is at work, strengthening Jewish life and offering comfort and support to the most vulnerable. Whether it's basic needs such as food, clothing, medication, or just someone to talk to, Federation is there to give families what they need in times of crisis because we believe everyone counts. Your contribution to the annual campaign enables us to meet the needs of people in all situations, locally and around the world.

We hear stories daily about the impact we are making in the lives of others through, for example, the Jewish Agency for Israel. Tatiana, a graduate of the JAFI Summer Camps and Counselor Training Program says, "My first experience in the Jewish Agency summer camp was when I was 12 years old. This experience changed my life. Not only did I come back to camp year after year, camp truly inspired me to get involved in the local Jewish community. Now as the Director of the Hillel Center in Kiev, I'm the one who is helping students, those who have no experience in Jewish life, enter the Jewish world." Your dollars equal impact.

Our 2018 campaign has begun. Our local agencies are counting on all of us. Our Jewish friends in more than 70 other countries are hopeful they can continue to depend on us.



The needs are great, perhaps greater now than ever before. Each one of us can make a difference because everyone counts.

To make your pledge to the 2018 annual campaign, visit our website at www.jewish-newhaven.org and click on the donate now icon. Or call or email Amy Holtz, Development Director, at (203) 387-2424 x254 or aholtz@jewishnewhaven.org.

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Meet Yochai

My name is Yochai. When I was nine years old, I was removed from my family because of violence and abuse by my father. My father sat in jail for violence charges and my parents were going through difficult divorce. I was angry and scared. I did not believe in myself and in others. My life trajectory was pointing in one direction – and it wasn't a good one. My life changed, thanks to animal-assisted therapy at Bet Singer. I was there for a whole nine years. I am 25 years old now. I served in the army and am now studying to become a social worker. I owe my life to Bet Singer and to the therapists who supported me throughout my journey to find my strength and believe in my abilities. My wish and hope is to be able to help children at risk as I was.

Come hear the stories of the people who have been positively impacted by this incredible program, which is funded by your contributions to the Annual Campaign of the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven. Yochai will be visiting our community in late October. Watch for more details soon.

Local HaZamir Chapter Starting

A New Haven Chapter of HaZamir, the international Jewish teen choir, will begin holding auditions and rehearsals this month on Sundays for new members and their parents at a location to be determined.

Teens in grades 9-12 will get the chance to sing Jewish choral music, join an international pluralistic youth movement and meet other Jewish teens from across the United States and Israel. The group will be conducted by B'nai Jacob's Cantor Malachi Kanfer.

Chapters learn the same music, and then joint concerts are given at amazing venues like Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center and the Metropolitan Opera House. The group would also perform at local and regional concerts.

Cantor Kanfer is willing to direct and manage the choir, but he is also looking for co-directors. If anyone is interested and willing, please contact him.

"A New Haven chapter of HaZamir will be a wonderful thing for our kids and our community, but it will only work with your participation and effort," Kanfer said. He is hoping to begin rehearsals immediately after the High Holidays.



HaZamir was first created by Matthew Lazar in 1993 as a way to offer high-school age teens the opportunity to gather together and learn and sing Jewish choral music in local ensembles.

Each year, in addition to performing in their own local areas, HaZamir chapters from across the United States and Israel gather for a weekend festival and concert in New York City. The group helps preserve and foster Jewish identity through Jewish choral music.

For more information on the local New Haven Chapter of HaZamir, contact Kanfer at (203) 389-2111 or at: cantorkanfer@gmail.com.

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All-Jewish Championship Team Drew Crowds, Made History

by Marvin Bargar
Jewish Historical Society of Greater New Haven Archivist

The Atlas Club was organized in 1906 by a group of six young men. The founders were Irving Albert, Phillip Greenberg, Samuel Levi, Maurice Bailey, Sam Greenberg and Sam Savage. The club became unified in 1913. In 1916, the club was incorporated.

Its most significant achievement was the creation of a championship basketball team between 1920 and 1924. They won not only city championships, but the state and regional ones as well. In New Haven, they were the champions from 1912 to 1926. From 1919 on, the team was coached by Maurice Bailey.

In the 1920-1921 and 1921-1922 seasons, the team won 36 consecutive games, which was a state record. In 1922, the Atlas Club played the Yale basketball team and won 42-22. The game, a benefit for the Jewish relief fund, drew the largest crowd ever to see a basketball game in New Haven until that time – 3,000 spectators.

Dr. Joseph Weiner, a member who went on to become the first Jew on Yale’s varsity basketball team, said the club played in cities where an all-Jewish team had never before been seen.

“We looked upon ourselves not simply as another team of players, but also as a group of goodwill representatives on behalf of the Jewish community.

We were shattering the stereotype of the ‘nebbich’ Jew.” The Atlas Club’s first meeting rooms were at the Boy’s Club on Chapel Street. They then moved to Wentworth Hall in 1914, remaining there until 1916 when they moved to 191 Church Street. In 1923, the club bought the home of Mr. Sperry at 308 Whalley Avenue. The clubhouse was dedicated in May of that same year.

Many members of the club were rooted in the Jewish community. The Greenbergs were sons of a rabbi. Joe Weiner’s father was a shammos. Ben Witkin’s father was a shochet. As first-generation Americans, they believed that they represented not only their club, but the Jewish community as well. None of their fathers or grandfathers before them had been athletes in their youth. Basketball also helped some of the members go up the educational ladder with at least six team members going on to Yale University. Another founder, Jacob Podoloff, was the owner of the New Haven Arena and a top professional sports figure.

The Atlas Club disbanded in 1931. Every two or three years, a reunion was held despite the fact that the club no longer existed, but it still held on to the Jewish “mystique.”

It was through their efforts that the first generation of American born Jewish men became integrated into an important aspect of not only American life but Jewish life in New Haven by becoming competitive athletes.

Temple Beth David Announces Author-in-Residence Weekend



“Wow—incredible! An inspiration—absolutely gripping story everyone should hear.”
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Charlotte S. Huck Children’s Literature Festival, Redlands, CA

Temple Beth David, 3 Main St, Cheshire, will hold its Author-in-Residence Weekend from Nov. 11-12 at the synagogue. The event is sponsored by TBD Connections along with TBD Education Fund and donors to adult education and the JCC of Greater New Haven.

Author (and Cheshire native) Marc Tyler Nobleman reveals secrets he uncovered and mysteries he solved while researching his books, “Boys of Steel: The Creators of Superman” and “Bill the Boy Wonder: The Secret Co-Creator of Batman,” one of which made history in two ways. Nobleman has been invited from Tanzania to Thailand to the TED stage to tell this real-life detective story, which stars Jewish creative pioneers.

Nobleman’s first presentation is set for Saturday, Nov. 11, at 7 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. The event is \$18 per person. For tickets, RSVP to office@tbdcheshire.org. On Sunday, Nov. 12, Nobleman comes to Temple Beth David’s Religious School for a talk just for their students.

For more information, call (203) 272-0037.

JFS Launching New Divorce Support Group

Moving on after a divorce can be challenging. There are ups and downs, and feelings that can be hard to discuss with others who haven’t been through the same experience.

JFS of Greater New Haven is starting a support group to create a sense of community for those who are divorced, divorcing or separated.

This will be a forum led by Joan Sloan, LCSW, where those who have been through divorce can discuss situations and emotions unique to those in their shoes. Meeting times will be determined by the participants’ availability.

For more information or to register, contact Sloan at (203)389-5599 x139 or jsloan@jfsnh.org.



Regev Nyström, of Chicago, will be competing in the 2017 World Beard and Mustache Championships (WBMC) in Austin, Texas, this month. Nyström, has Israeli roots—his mother was born in Kiryat Gat. Today, he’s active in his local Reform synagogue. WBMC, counts at least a handful of “Members of the Tribe” among the record-high 700 contestants.
Photo Credit: Greg Anderson for JNS.org

This Year Marks 40th Anniversary of Holocaust Memorial

by Jeannette Brodeur
Editor, Shalom New Haven

This year’s special Kever Avot service coincides with the 40th anniversary of the New Haven Holocaust Memorial, will be held on Sunday, Sept. 24, at 2 p.m. at the memorial, which is located in Edgewood Park on Whalley Avenue in New Haven.

The New Haven Holocaust Memorial was the first such Holocaust memorial built on public land in the United States when it was dedicated in 1977.

This year’s service will include candle lighting, personal reflections, a brief history of the memorial, prayers of remembrance, poetry and Kaddish.

During the High Holy Days, it is customary for families to visit the graves of relatives and pray for them. This custom is known as Kever Avot. For those whose families perished in the Holocaust, there are no

graves to visit, but each year, survivors and their families and the public gather together at the New Haven Holocaust Memorial in between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, to remember and pray for the dead.

In 1967, about 70 families from the New Haven area met and decided to construct a memorial for the loved ones they lost in the Holocaust. Each week, each family donated \$1 to purchase materials for the memorial.

In 1977, then-Mayor Frank Logue appointed a committee, which included those families, to erect a memorial to the six million Jews murdered by the Nazis in the Holocaust.

It was the first time a municipality, in cooperation with the local Jewish Federation, erected a monument on city land in memory of the six million Jews.

The committee included a diverse cross section of the community, including Christian and Jewish leaders, clergymen, business and civic leaders as well as Holocaust survivors.

The Jewish Federation was looking at many different park areas in the city to plant a grove of six trees in memory of the six million who perished. The Federation worked with a landscaper named Marvin Cohen, the owner of Cheshire Nursery. Cohen then consulted with his friend, a young, gifted architect, Augustus “Gus” Joseph Franzoni, on an appropriate marker for the site.

Franzoni spoke at length with Cohen about the Holocaust and then contacted the Jewish Federation to look at some published materials about Nazis and the Holocaust.

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Jewish Family Service Guides Parents with Entire Adoption Process

by Amy Pressman
Director of Marketing, Jewish Family Service of Greater New Haven



Making the choice to adopt a baby is often not an easy one. There are many emotions and decisions that come into play. The wait for a child can be long. Paperwork can be tedious. Eligibility requirements can be confusing. Many people don’t know where to turn for guidance.

Jewish Family Service of Greater New Haven and Amy Rashba, LCSW, JFS’s Adoption Coordinator, help guide families through every step of the adoption process.

Rashba has been at JFS of Greater New Haven for 30 years. In that time, she has assisted many families from different ethnic backgrounds with adoption. Adoptive families do not have to be Jewish to adopt through JFS.

Rashba serves not only as a social worker for families but also as a guide through the entire adoption process including the homestudy.

While the homestudy does include visits to the prospective adoptive parents’ homes, it is much more comprehensive than that. Extensive paperwork, background checks and significant research must be done. Prospective parents must decide whether to go through the domestic or inter-country adoption route.

Here are five families who made the decision to adopt with the help of JFS. All names of participants that follow have been changed to protect the identities of the parents and their children.

In one domestic adoption experience, Rashba wondered if the birth parents might like to consider Lisa and her husband, who shared a similar ethnic background. Lisa and her husband were thrilled when the birth parents chose them. Another adoptive parent, Jennifer, found JFS through a work colleague who had adopted a child through JFS.

Through the many ups and downs of the process, Rashba was always there for Jennifer and her family. “Amy was my rock. Without her, we couldn’t have gotten through this process,” she said.

One adoptive father, Steve, said that JFS “is an important resource to have locally.” He looked at other area organizations that provide adoption services, but said, “they didn’t seem as personal to us.”

Adoptions today tend to be open, meaning the birth parents choose the adoptive parents and can play a continuing role in the life of their birth child. Some birth parents want to be involved to a degree; others do not.

Leslie told me that the JFS-run workshop she attended “opened her eyes” about open adoption and helped her to understand the multiple perspectives of all those involved. Leslie considers Rashba and JFS to be a part of her family.

Kelly, another adoptive parent, was adopted herself and had a life plan to adopt a child. She already had other biological children, and all family members were eager to welcome another child into their home. Kelly said JFS “provides connections between people.” She looks forward to the JFS-run adoption picnics which reunite JFS adopting families and offer them a chance to connect.

“What is professionally and personally most satisfying to me is to help create families,” Rashba said. December is her favorite time of the year because of the many holiday cards she receives with photos of the families she helped create.

Through JFS, she provides open adoption support groups, as well as a “Stars of David” group with social activities centered on the Jewish holidays for Jewish families created through adoption. She is also currently conducting homestudy groups. *You can contact her at (203) 389-5599, x113, or at arashba@jfsnh.org*

JFS is a proud beneficiary agency of the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven and is supported through contributions. to the Jewish Federation’s Annual Campaign.

Say Hello to Our New Young Emissaries

The new Young Emissaries from Israel have arrived! Rotem Linchevski lives in Moshav B'nai Zion, near Ra'anana, with his parents and younger brother and sister. In high school, his major was music and psychology/sociology.



The Young Emissaries are Israeli high school graduates who choose to defer their army service to serve as young ambassadors for Israel in our community.

The mission of the program is to strengthen the ties between Israel and the Greater New

Haven community by building living bridges with people-to-people connections. The emissaries live with American host families and work with our local Jewish agencies as well as the public schools.

As we wish success to our wonderful outgoing emissaries, Raz Lachmi and Yotam Francis, we welcome Rotem and Talya, who will work closely with Amalya Brownstein at the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven and the JCC.

If you are interested in hosting, contact Amalya at amalyab@jccnh.org.

Talya Machpood lives in Eilat, Israel's southernmost city, with her parents and younger brother. She chose to major in biology and French.

Both Rotem and Talya have a great deal of leadership experience. They both enjoy singing and plan to join the HaZamir singing group in the community.

The Young Emissary Program is a ten-month-long volunteer service experience that is jointly sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven, the Jewish Agency for Israel (JAFI) and the Southern New England Consortium (SNEC). This is our community's 17th year of participation in the program.

Comic Relief Event Aids Immigrant Bail Fund



The interfaith community is uniting for "Comic Relief" to support the Immigrant Bail Fund on Thursday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m. at Congregation Mishkan Israel, 785 Ridge Road in Hamden. The evening, which is co-sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven, features the comic genius of Rabbi Bob Alper, Rev. Susan Sparks, and Gibran Saleem. Families, who have been directly served by the Immigrant Bail Fund, will also share their stories. Tickets are \$10 each or \$30 for a family. The event is open to the community.

The Immigrant Bail Fund exists to free Connecticut residents from immigration detention so they can reunite with their families and communities and fight deportation from a position of freedom. The Immigrant Bail Fund is a project of Community Bonds, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to promoting racial and economic justice in the pretrial process of the criminal justice system.

The bond fund, headquartered in New Haven, focuses its resources on immigrants from Connecticut, most of whom are detained in Massachusetts county jail facilities.

For tickets, contact Congregation Mishkan Israel at (203) 288-3877. For more information on the Immigrant Bail Fund, go to info@immigrantbailfund.org or call (203) 340-1116.

Has the Heat of Anti-Semitism Around the World Become Too Hot?

by Gabriel Groisman
JNS.org

(Editor's note: Gabriel Groisman is the mayor of Bal Harbour, Fla.)

The stinging heat of anti-Semitism is being felt, yet again, around the world.

Whether you live in Miami, Rome or Santiago, the goosebumps we all got when we heard the chants of the white supremacists in Charlottesville—"Jews will not replace us"—are the same.

The lump in my throat when I learned that the pedestrians who were mowed down in Barcelona Aug. 17 were standing outside two kosher restaurants is the same feeling felt by Jews in Brussels, Sydney and Toronto.

These feelings remind me of Robert De Niro's character in the 1995 movie, "Heat." De Niro's character famously says that you have to be ready to drop everything and go, in 30 seconds, if you feel the heat coming around the corner.

With the heat index of anti-Semitism on the rise, we must ask: Is it time for Jews to drop everything and move to the Jewish homeland, Israel?

In 2015, then-Vice President Joe Biden said the only country in the world that can guarantee the safety of the Jewish people is Israel.

Biden received a lot of criticism for that comment. American Jews felt slighted and concerned. Yet I believe he was absolutely correct.

As Biden said, "No matter how hospitable, no matter how consequential, no matter how engaged, no matter how deeply involved you are in the United States...there's only one guarantee. There is really only one absolute guarantee, and that's the state of Israel."

A clear look at today's political landscape shows the resurgence of anti-Semitism on both sides of the political spectrum.

On one side, there is the "progressive" movement's aggressive and anti-Semitic support of boycotts of Israel, often revealing that anti-Zionism is a thin veil for classic anti-Semitism.

On the other side, we saw that the "Unite the Right" rally in Charlottesville was filled with Nazis and white supremacists. None of this is new.

At the same time, another source of "heat" is the cheapening of Jewish life in mainstream society. This may seem like a bold, inflammatory statement—but it doesn't make it any less true.

For instance, in January 2017, a group of people were patiently standing on a pedestrian promenade. A truck came barreling down the street, veered intentionally up the sidewalk and ran right over the group, killing four and injuring 15.

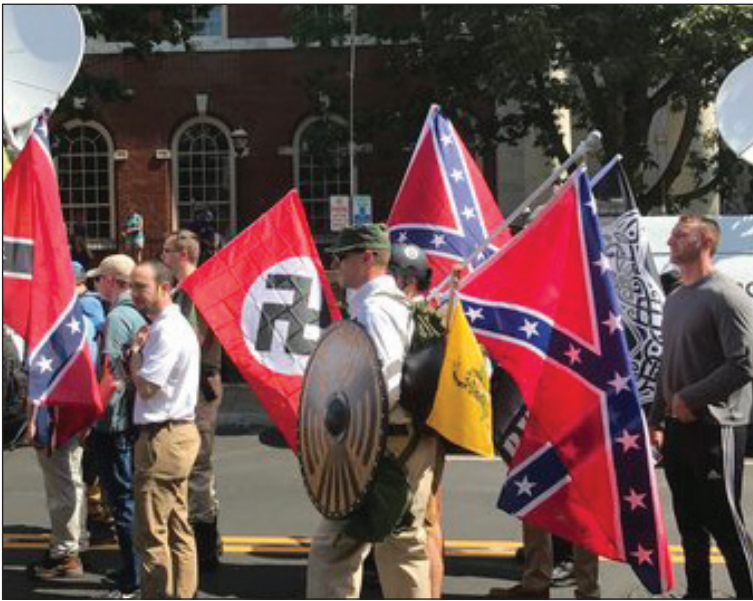
The driver was then shot as he was reversing the truck to try to extend the carnage. Since this terrorist attack took place in Jerusalem, the BBC covered the story with a headline that read, "Driver of lorry shot in Jerusalem after allegedly ramming pedestrians, injuring at least 15, Israeli media report."

This is not just one news outlet. This is not just one incident. This is the new trend. Is the value of Jewish life beginning to diminish—again?

This brings us back to the initial question: Has the proverbial heat of anti-Semitism reached a level dictating that Jews should pack their bags and move to Israel, where all Jews are welcome and where there is a strong military focused entirely on defending the Jewish people?

As a patriotic American citizen and as the mayor of an amazing municipality, I believe that the answer for Jews in the U.S. is "no."

America is still a very safe country, where the government—at every level—protects



the rights of ethnic and religious minorities, including Jews.

I know that in my municipality of Bal Harbour, and throughout the U.S., the Jewish community feels safe and is thriving.

In fact, the Jewish people have never lived a safer and freer existence—outside of Israel—than we have in the U.S. during the last century.

Despite this reality, and given the lessons of history, it is imperative for Jews to always ask the question: Am I still safe here?

Jews around the world cannot be blind to the reality surrounding us. We cannot ignore the rising heat

levels of the past several years. We must keep our eyes wide open, even if we live in what seems to be a paradise.

The rise of anti-Semitism must be fought without hesitation and without equivocation—whether it comes from the left or the right. Anti-Semitism should not only be challenged when it is politically convenient.

We must never again allow anti-Semitism or any form of racism to become tolerable in our society.



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Jewish Learning at its Sweetest!

Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017 7 p.m.

Congregation Mishkan Israel
785 Ridge Road, Hamden

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Daniel Pearl World Music Days Event

SPOTLIGHT: DAVID BROZA

East Jerusalem West Jerusalem

Sunday, October 1, 4:00 p.m.
Kelley Theatre Quick Center for the Arts

Film Screening, Q&A with David Broza, Israeli singer-songwriter and activist and Performance.



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*Tickets: \$10 to be purchased from Quick Center Box Office (203) 254-4010. Reservations requested. bennettcenter@fairfield.edu (203) 254-4000 ext. 2066.



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JFS Welcomes Caplan as New Board President

At the Jewish Family Service of Greater New Haven's Annual Meeting on June 14, a new slate of officers of the Board of Directors was sworn in.

The new officers are: President Linda Caplan, Vice President Ilene Rosalimsky Bronen, Treasurer Joel Sachs, and Secretary Laura Elman.

Caplan began her affiliation with JFS as a volunteer in the food pantry four years ago. She also became a volunteer in the Food-4Kids Program. This is her second year on the JFS board.

JFS would also like to welcome new board members Jacquie Slater and Ruth Ann Ornstein.

They would also like to thank outgoing board members Betsy Fiske, Lori Ann Brass and Joe Adler for their years of service.



Netanyahu thanks U.S. lawmakers for their strong support of Israel

(JNS.org) Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu met recently with a bipartisan delegation from the U.S. Congress, thanking the lawmakers for their "strong support" of the Jewish state, according to a statement from the Israeli leader's office.

Netanyahu and the six-member American delegation discussed regional security challenges as well as opportunities for further U.S.-Israel economic collaboration.

The prime minister's meeting with the lawmakers came before President Donald Trump's son-in-law and senior adviser, Jared Kushner, and international negotiations representative Jason Greenblatt arrived in Israel for discussions on renewed U.S.-led peace efforts in the region.

More than 50 members of the U.S. House of Representatives visited Israel in August in visits facilitated by the American Israel Education Foundation. The delegations are primarily comprised of lawmakers serving their first term in office. Eighteen Democratic members of Congress, led by House Minority Whip Steny Hoyer (D-Md.), met with Netanyahu Aug. 7. Thirty-three Republican lawmakers, headed by House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.), met with the prime minister Aug. 10.

Upcoming September & October Programs



Sweet New Year Celebration with apples, honey, story and songs
Friday, September 15
10:30-11:30 a.m. | FREE
Cheshire Library
104 Main Street, Cheshire

High Holiday Tot Shabbat with PJ Library & Temple Beth David
Friday, September 15
4-5:30 p.m. | FREE
Temple Beth David
3 Main Street, Cheshire

Sweet New Year Celebration with apples, honey, story and songs
Tuesday, September 19
4-5 p.m. | FREE
Mitchell Branch Library
37 Harrison St. New Haven

CONTACT: Stacey Battat | (203) 387-2424 x317 | pjlibrary@jewishnewhaven.org

PJ Library Walk/Hike: Blue Trails, Woodbridge

Welcome the High Holidays with an easy nature walk on the Blue Trails in Woodbridge. Enjoy songs with Rabbi Farbman of Temple Emanuel, a story, and snack with your fellow PJ Library families.



Sunday, September 24
3-4 p.m.
Meet in front of Woodbridge Town Hall
11 Meetinghouse Lane, Woodbridge

Family Fun Day at Massaro Farm

Join us at Massaro Community Farm for a celebration of Sukkot - the harvest holiday! Children and families are invited to learn about farming and create a "garden in a box" to take home!



Sunday, October 1
10:30 a.m.- 12 p.m. | Ages 3+ | \$10 per child/\$20 Family max.
Massaro Community Farm | 41 Ford Road, Woodbridge



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Congregation Beth El-Keser Israel

85 Harrison Street, New Haven
(203) 389-2108, x14 | BEKI.org

With our hearts open wide, the entire BEKI community invites you, your family and friends to join us during this special season, leading up to and including the High Holy Days, Sukkot and Simchat Torah. We wish each and every one of you a year filled with the blessings of health, respect, peace, understanding, prosperity and joy!

Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 6:30 p.m., Mincha
Sept. 20, 6:45 p.m., Ma’ariv
Sept. 20, 10:30 a.m., Youth Session 1
Sept. 20, noon, Session 2
Sept. 20, 11:30 a.m., Cosmic Conversations
Sept. 21, 8:30 a.m., Shaharit/Musaf
Sept. 21, 10:30 a.m., Shofar Service,
Sept. 21, 5:30 p.m., Tashlich
Edgewood Bridge, Whitney Museum
Sept. 21, 6:30 p.m., Mincha/Ma’ariv
Sept. 22, 8:30 a.m., Shaharit/Musaf
Sept. 22, 10:30 a.m., Shofar Service
Sept. 22, 6 p.m., Mincha/Ma’ariv

Kever Avot

Cemetery Memorial Service
Sept. 24, 10 a.m., Beth El Memorial Park
Sept. 24, 11 a.m., Keser Israel Memorial Park

Yom Kippur

Sept. 29, 6:15 p.m., Mincha
Sept. 29, 6:30 p.m., Kol Nidre
Sept. 30, 9 a.m., Shaharit/Musaf
Sept. 30, 10:30 a.m.,Youth Session 1
Sept. 30, noon, Session 2
Sept. 30, 11:30 a.m., Cosmic Conversations
Sept. 30, 11 a.m., Yizkor Memorial
Sept. 30, 3 p.m., Study Session(s)
Sept. 30, 4 p.m., Teen Discussion
Sept. 30, 4:45 p.m., Mincha/Neilah
Sept. 30, 6:55 p.m., Ma’ariv
Sept. 30, 7:05 p.m., Havdala/Shofar
Sept. 30, 7:19 p.m., Break-Fast

Sukkot

Oct. 5, 9:15-11:45 a.m., Shaharit
Oct. 5, 5:45-6:20 p.m., Mincha & Ma’ariv

Simchat Torah

Oct. 12, 5:45-6 p.m., Mincha
Oct. 12, 6-8 p.m., Ma’ariv, & Haqafot
Oct. 13, 9:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Sharit
Oct. 13, 10:10-10:50 a.m., Haqafot
Oct. 13, 5:45-6:10 p.m., Mincha

Congregation B’nai Jacob

75 Rimmond Road, Woodbridge
(203) 389-2111 | bnaijacob.org

Selichot Service

Sept. 16, 8 p.m.

Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 5 p.m., Family Service
Sept. 20, 6 p.m.
Sept. 21, 8:30 a.m.
Sept. 21, 10:30 a.m., Children’s Programs
Sept. 21, 5:30 p.m., Tashlich
Sept. 21, 6 p.m., Mincha/Ma’ariv
Sept. 22, 8:30 a.m.
Sept. 22, 6 p.m., Mincha/Ma’ariv Cemetery Service
Sept. 24, 10:30 a.m., Wintergreen Ave. (or at B’nai Jacob at 11 a.m. if rain)

Yom Kippur
Sept. 29, 6:30 p.m., Kol Nidre
Sept. 30, 9 a.m.
Sept. 30, 10:30 a.m., Children’s Programs
Sept. 30, 4:45 p.m., Mincha Service
Sept. 30, 6 p.m., Neilah Service
Sept. 30, 7:19 p.m., Shofar

Sukkot

Oct. 4, 6 p.m.
Oct. 5, 9:30 a.m., 6 p.m.
Oct. 6, 9:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

Shemini Atzeret

Oct. 11, 6 p.m.
Oct. 12, 9:30 a.m.
Oct. 12, 11 a.m., Yizkor Service

Simchat Torah

Oct. 12, 6 p.m., Mincha Minyan
Oct. 12, 6 p.m., Family Service
Oct. 13, 9:30 a.m.

Temple Beth Sholom

1809 Whitney Ave, Hamden
(203) 288-7748 | tbshamden.com

Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 8:15 p.m.
Sept. 21, 9 a.m.
Sept. 21, 10 a.m., Children’s Service
Sept. 21, 6:45 p.m.
Sept. 22, 9 a.m.
Sept. 22, 10 a.m., Children’s Service

Kol Nidre

Sept. 29, 6:15 p.m.

Yom Kippur

Sept. 30, 9 a.m.
Sept. 30, 10 a.m., Children’s Service
Sept. 30, 4:30 p.m., Mincha, Yizkor, Neilah

Sukkot

Oct. 4, 6:45 p.m.
Oct. 5, 9:30 a.m.
Oct. 5, 6:45 p.m.
Oct. 6, 9:30 a.m.

Shmini Atzeret

Oct. 11, 6:45 p.m.
Oct. 12, 9:30 a.m.

Simchat Torah

Oct. 12, 6:30 p.m.
Oct. 13, 9:30 a.m.

Chabad of Orange/ Woodbridge

261 Derby Avenue, Orange
(203) 795-7095 | chabadow.org

Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 7:15 p.m.
Sept. 21, 9 a.m.
Sept. 21, 11:15 a.m., Shofar Sounding
Sept. 21, 1:30 p.m., Luncheon
Sept. 21, 4 p.m., Tashlich Service
Sept. 21, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 22, 9 a.m.
Sept. 22, 11:15 a.m. Shofar Sounding

Shabbat Shuva

Sept. 23, 10 a.m.

Yom Kippur

Sept. 29, 7:30 a.m.
Sept. 29, 6 p.m., Kol Nidre
Sept. 30, 9 a.m.
Sept. 30, 11:15 a.m., Yizkor Memorial
Sept. 30, 5 p.m.
Sept. 30, 6 p.m., Neilah Closing Service
Sept. 30, 7:16 p.m., Break the Fast

Sukkot

Oct. 5, 10 a.m.
Oct. 6, 10 a.m.
Oct. 6, 6:30 p.m., Evening Services

Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah

Oct. 11, 6:30 p.m., with Kiddush, Hakafot
Oct. 12, 10 a.m.
Oct. 12, Yizkor Memorial, 11:30 a.m.
Oct. 12, 6:30 p.m., Kiddush, Hakafot
Oct. 13, 10 a.m., Kiddush, Hakafot
Oct. 13, 6:30 p.m., Evening Services

The Towers Synagogue

18 Tower Lane, New Haven
(203) 772-1816 | towerone.org

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Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 7 p.m., followed by Oneg
Sept. 21, 9:30 a.m., followed by Kiddush
Sept. 22, 9:30 a.m., followed by Kiddush

Kol Nidre

Sept. 29, 6:30 p.m.

Yom Kippur

Sept. 30, 9:30 a.m., Yizkor, Neilah
Sept. 30, 5 p.m., followed by Break Fast

Congregation Or Shalom

205 Old Grassy Hill Road, Orange
(203) 799-2341 | orshalomct.org

Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 7 p.m.
Sept. 21, 8:30 a.m.
Sept. 21, 9:30 a.m., Torah
Sept. 21, 10:15 a.m., children’s holiday gathering
Sept. 21, 10:45 a.m., Shofar
Sept. 21, 11:15 a.m., Sermon followed by Musaf
Sept. 21, 1 p.m., Service ends
Tashlich at Wright’s Pond follows
Sept. 21, 6:15 p.m., Mincha
Sept. 22 , 8:30 a.m.
Sept. 22, 9:30 a.m., Torah
Sept. 22, 10:45 a.m., Shofar
Sept. 22, 11:15 a.m., Sermon followed by Musaf
Sept. 22, 6:15 p.m., Mincha/Maariv

Yom Kippur

Sept. 29, 6:15 p.m.
Sept. 30, 8:30 a.m., Shaharit
Sept. 30, 9:30 a.m., Torah
Sept. 30, 11:15 a.m., Sermon, followed by Yizkor & Musaf
Sept. 30, 4 p.m., Yizkor, open to all
Sept. 30, 5:15 p.m., Mincha, followed by Neilah & Break-Fast

Congregation Mishkan Israel

785 Ridge Rd, Hamden
(203) 288-3877 | cmilhamden.org

Congregation Mishkan Israel holds family services each year on the first day of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur that are open to the community. No tickets are required.

Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 21, 2 p.m., Family Service

Yom Kippur

Sept. 30, 12:30 p.m., Reflection Service
Sept. 30, 2 p.m., Family Service
Sept. 30, 2 p.m., Adult Discussions
Sept. 30, 3 p.m., Afternoon Service
Sept. 30, 4:45 p.m., Memorial

Simchat Torah

Oct. 11, 7 p.m., Aliyahs for new members, October birthdays, consecration of new religious school students.

Westville Synagogue

74 West Prospect St., New Haven
(203) 389-9513 | westvilleshul.org

Contact the office for tickets.

Orchard Street Schul

232 Orchard St., New Haven
(203) 776-1468 | orchardstreetschul.org

Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 6:15 p.m.
Sept. 20, 7 p.m., Annual Dinner
Sept. 21, 9 a.m.
Sept. 21, 11:15 a.m., Shofar
Sept. 22, 9 a.m.
Sept. 22, 11:15 a.m., Shofar

Kol Nidrei

Sept. 29, 6:15 p.m.

Yom Kippur

Sept. 30, 9 a.m.
Sept. 30, 11:30 a.m. Yizkor
Sept. 30, 5:15 p.m. Mincha
Sept. 30, 6:15 p.m. Neilah
Sept. 30, 7:16 p.m. Break-Fast

Sukkot

Oct. 5, 9:30 a.m.
Oct. 6, 9:30 a.m.
Oct. 7, 9:30 a.m.

Shmeni Atzeret/Yizkor

Oct. 11, 6 p.m., Mincha/Marriv
Oct.12, 9:30 a.m. Shmeni Atzeret
Oct. 12, 11:30 a.m., Yizkor

Simchat Torah

Oct. 12, 7 p.m., Dinner & Hakafot
Oct. 13, 9:30 a.m., Minyan and Hakafot

Temple Beth Tikvah

196 Durham Rd, Madison
(203) 245-7028 | tbtshoreline.org

Selichot Service

Sept. 16, 7-8 p.m.

Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 8-10 p.m.
Sept. 21, 10 a.m. -12:45 p.m.
Sept. 21, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Tashlich
Sept. 21, 3:30-6 p.m. Open House
Sept. 22, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Kol Nidre

Sept. 29, 8-10 p.m.

Yom Kippur

Sept. 30, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Sept. 30, 2-3 p.m., Discussion group
Sept. 30, 3:30-6:30 p.m., Yizkor, Neilah
Sept. 30, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Break-the-Fast

Sukkot

Oct. 4, 5:15-6:15 p.m. Pizza in the Hut
Oct. 4, 6:15-7:15 p.m. Family Service

Simchat Torah

Oct. 11, 5:15-7:15 p.m., Service & Dinner

Temple Emanuel of Greater New Haven

150 Derby Ave, Orange,
(203) 397-3000 | templemanuel-gnh.org

Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 8 p.m., Oneg after service
Sept. 21, 9:45 a.m., Children’s Service
Sept. 21, 10 a.m., Service, with Kiddush after, followed by Tashlich
Sept. 22, 10 a.m., Service with Kiddush

Kol Nidre

Sept. 29, 8 p.m.

Yom Kippur

Sept. 30, 9:45 a.m., Children’s Service
Sept. 30, 10 a.m., Morning Service
Sept. 30, Adult Study Session to follow
Sept. 30, 4 p.m., Mincha
Sept. 30, 5:30 p.m., Yizkor/Memorial
Neilah/Concluding Service
Havdalah Service
Break Fast to follow

Sukkot

Oct. 4, 6:30 p.m.

Simchat Torah

Oct. 11, 6 p.m., Erev Simchat Torah/ Consecration Service

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Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 7 p.m.
Sept. 21, 8:30-10:30 a.m., last name beginning (L-Z)
Sept. 21, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., last name beginning (A-K)
Sept. 21, 1:30 p.m., Family Service
Sept. 21, 3 p.m., Tashlich, Mixville Park
Sept. 22, 10 a.m.

Yom Kippur

Sept. 29, 7 p.m.
Sept. 30, 8:30-10:30 a.m., last name beginning (A-K)
Sept. 30, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., last name beginning (L-Z)

Sept. 30, 1:30 p.m., Family Service
Sept. 30, 2:30 p.m., Study Session
Sept. 30, 3:30 p.m., Mincha
Sept. 30, 4:30 p.m., Yizkor
Sept. 30, 5:30 p.m., Neilah
Sept. 30, 6:30 p.m., Blowing of Shofar, Havdallah

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REFORM SERVICES

Battell Chapel

Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 7-8:30 p.m.
Sept. 21, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Yom Kippur

Sept. 29, 6 p.m.
Sept. 30, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Sept. 30, 5:45-7 p.m., Yizkor & Neilah

EGALITARIAN/CONSERVATIVE SERVICES

First and Summerfield United Methodist Church

Rosh Hashanah:

Sept. 20, 7- 8:30 p.m.
Sept. 21, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Shacharit
Sept. 22, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Shacharit

Yom Kippur

Sept. 29, 6-7:30 p.m.

Kol Nidre/Ma’ariv

Sept. 30, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Shacharit
Sept. 30, 12 p.m., Yizkor
Sept. 30, 5-7 p.m., Mincha and Neilah

ORTHODOX SERVICES

Joseph Slifka Center, Sylvia Slifka Chapel (Men & women sit separately)

Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 6:15 p.m., Mincha and Ma’ariv
Sept. 21, 8:45 a.m., Shacharit
Sept. 21, 6 p.m., Mincha and Ma’ariv
Sept. 22, 8:45 a.m., Shacharit
Sept. 22, 6 p.m., Mincha and Ma’ariv

Yom Kippur

Sept. 29, 6 p.m., Kol Nidre & Ma’ariv
Sept. 30, 8:45 a.m., Shacharit
Sept. 30, 4:30 p.m., Mincha
Sept. 30, 5:45 p.m., Neilah
Sept. 30, 5:45 p.m., Ma’ariv

ALTERNATIVE SERVICES

Slifka Center, Susman Hall

Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 21, 10 a.m.

Yom Kippur

Sept. 30, 10 a.m.

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Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 20, 6:30 p.m., Community Dinner following services
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Sept. 21, 9 a.m.
Sept. 21, 11:15 a.m., Shofar
Sept. 21, 5:45 p.m., Tashlich
Sept. 21, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 22, 9:00 a.m.
Shofar Sounding at 11:15 am

Yom Kippur

Sept. 29, 6:15 p.m.
Sept. 30, 9 a.m.
Sept. 30, 11:30 a.m., Yizkor
Sept. 30, 5:15 p.m.
Sept. 30, 6:15 p.m., Neilah

Sukkot

Oct. 5, 9:30 a.m., followed by Kiddush in the Sukkah
Oct. 6, 9:30 a.m., followed by Kiddush in the Sukkah

Shmini Atzeret

Oct. 12, 9:30 a.m.
Oct. 12, 11:15 a.m., Yizkor Memorial Service

Simchat Torah

Oct. 12, 7 p.m., Kiddush Dinner, Hakafot, dancing
Oct. 13, 9:30 a.m.

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Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 16, 6:30 p.m. Selichot
Sept. 20, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21, 9:30 a.m.
Sept. 21, 2:30 p.m. Children’s Service
Sept. 22, 9:30 a.m.

Kol Nidre

Sept. 29, 7:30 p.m.

Yom Kippur

Sept. 30, 9:30 a.m.
Sept. 30, 2:30 p.m., Children’s Service
Sept. 30, 3:30 p.m., Yizkor, Neilah

High Holiday Recipes



Rosh Hashanah Mediterranean Chicken with Dried Fruits

- Ingredients:**
- 3 teaspoon olive oil
 - Half teaspoon salt
 - Quarter teaspoon black pepper
 - Quarter teaspoon dried thyme
 - 4 - 6 ounce boneless skinless chicken breast
 - Half cup chopped onion
 - 2 teaspoons minced garlic
 - 3/4 cup dried mix fruit
 - Half cup dry white wine
 - Half cup fat free, low sodium chicken broth
 - Salt and pepper

Directions:

Heat 2 teaspoons oil in large nonstick skillet over medium high heat, sprinkle salt, pepper and thyme evenly over chicken. Add chicken to pan and cook for 4 minutes on each side or until done. Remove chicken from pan, cover and keep warm. Add remaining 1 teaspoon of oil to pan, when heated add in the chopped onion and sauté for 2 minutes until tender. Add garlic to pan and sauté it 30 seconds. Now add the remaining ingredients to the onion and garlic (fruit, wine, broth, salt and pepper). Cook 5 minutes or until liquid almost evaporates. When there is still some liquid left, return the chicken to the skillet to warm through and soak up some of the flavor. Option: You can add green olives, pitted and chopped, to the dried mixed fruit for a hint of saltiness.

Enjoy and Chag Sameach!

Submitted by Revital Catriel Bellin who is the owner of Revi’s Food. As a descendant of a long line of strong Yemenite-Israeli women who are also serious cooks, she’s been experimenting with the fresh flavors and exotic spices of Middle Eastern cuisine since an early age. Growing up in a large family (she has five brothers and sisters), meals were always a special occasion to gather around delicious food, always made with love. For more information, go to: revisfood.com.

Honey Cake

So what is Rosh Hashanah without a traditional Honey Cake?

I have fond memories of my mother always having two 10” tube baking pans. One she packed away for Passover for her Sponge Cakes that she would make. And the other was used for her Honey Cakes and Apple Cakes on Rosh Hashanah. I always loved the smell of the Honey Cake as it baked in the oven. It would remind me that the High Holiday was just around the corner as the aroma permeated through the house. I look back now and wonder, ”why didn’t we have Honey Cake in November, February or even the summer?” It just seemed that it was always saved just for Rosh Hashanah and the Break Fast after Yom Kippur. A tradition in our house. Funny... I keep the same tradition. I don’t think it would be the same if I made that Honey Cake at any other time.

*Rebecca Goodman Olshansky, Marketing/Occupancy Director
Tower One/Tower East*



My Mother’s Honey Cake Recipe:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees

Boil 1 cup of water, add 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 teaspoon nutmeg, 1 teaspoon ground cloves, 1 teaspoon allspice, and 2 teaspoons baking cocoa. Stir well, remove from heat and let cool.

In large mixing bowl add 3 eggs, 1 ½ cups granulated sugar, 1 cup honey, ¾ cup of vegetable oil, 3 cups of flour, ½ teaspoon baking powder, and ½ teaspoon baking soda. Beat on medium speed with electric mixer until well incorporated, approximately 1 to 2 minutes. Add cooled water mixture and beat in slowly another minute. (Optional to stir raisins or crushed walnuts at this time) Immediately pour batter into greased 10” tube pan.

Bake in preheated oven 60 minutes or until cake tester inserted in center cake is dry. Let cool. Remove from pan, slice and enjoy! L’ Shana Tovah!

KIDS CORNER

Simple, Fun Crafts Help Usher in the High Holidays



Create your own Rosh Hashanah holiday cards! Here are two simple craft ideas:

1. Corkscrew apples: With a sharp knife, create an indentation for the top of the apple and one at the bottom. Dip the cork into red paint. This is your apple! Use a small paintbrush to paint the green leaf; use this as a decoration for the cover of holiday cards that you and your family can send to friends and relatives!

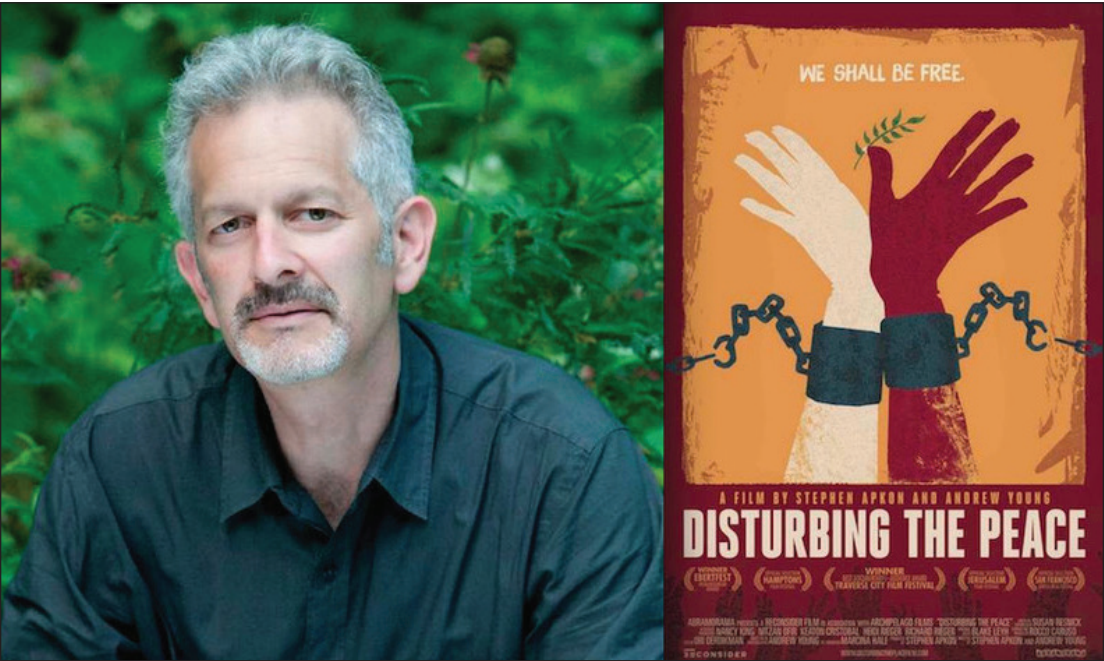
2. Hand print apple with a worm: Paint the palm of your hand with red washable paint and your thumb with green washable paint. Press it down on a piece of paper and you have yourself an adorable palm print apple with a worm coming out of it! Decorate away the rest of the page.

We then go into Yom Kippur, a more serious time which requires prayer and deeper introspection. These can be difficult concepts for a child to understand.

Make it easier by having your child create their own Yom Kippur Machzor (prayer book). Take construction paper, and staple it into book. Have them decorate each page with different symbols of the time of year, like an apple and honey or a shofar, or help them tell or illustrate the story of Jonah and the whale, which we read on Yom Kippur in synagogue. To go a step further, have them draw or write ways in which they hope they can change in the coming year or what they are looking forward to.

- Eliana Sugarman, JCC Youth & Family Coordinator

‘Disturbing the Peace’ Film Screening Set for Sept. 14



Members of the BEKI (Congregation Beth El–Keser Israel) Israel Study Group (BISG) and Mishkan Israel’s Social Action Committee are hosting a free community screening of the film “Disturbing the Peace,” on Thursday, Sept. 14, at 7 p.m. at Congregation Beth El–Keser Israel, 85 Harrison St., New Haven. The screening will be followed by a Q & A with the film’s producer and director, Stephen Apkon. Light refreshments will be served.

The film documents the evolution and work of the organization Combatants for Peace, which is comprised of Israeli soldiers, many from elite units of the IDF, as well as Palestinians who have served prison sentences in Israel, who have joined together to seek a non-violent end to the Israeli Palestinian conflict.

“Disturbing the Peace” was a New York Times Critics Pick, an official selection in the Jerusalem International Film Festival, and the winner of the Ebertfest Humanitarian Award.

The BISG was formed in the spring of 2016 by BEKI members who love Israel and wish to support it as a Jewish and a democratic state. *Contact Steve Fraade at: steven.fraade@yale.edu for more information.*



Battat Wins Silver Medal at Maccabiah Games

Michael Battat, above left, recently competed in Israel at the 20th Maccabiah Games, representing the U.S. in Track and Field. He competed in three events, earning a silver medal in the 4x100 meter relay. The son of Helene and Tamir Battat of Woodbridge, he was on the Amity Track and Field team and now competes at Emory University.

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Women of Vision Society Provides Grant for JFS Domestic Violence Program

According to national statistics, domestic violence is the single greatest cause of injury to women. Although the frequency and severity of this behavior varies, from willful intimidation, physical assault, battery and sexual assault, it often includes physical and sexual violence, economic or psychological coercion and emotional abuse.

Within our own community, domestic violence affects more than 20 percent of families, according to the Connecticut Coalition against Domestic Violence. These incidents often go unreported; commonly occurring in the home and behind closed doors.

To address this issue, the Women of Vision Society of the Jewish Foundation of Greater New Haven (WOV) awarded a 2017 grant to Jewish Family Service of Greater New Haven (JFS).

Over several years, WOVS has provided funding to JFS, including their Women's Center, as well as specifically for domestic violence programs. Thanks in part to these grants, JFS facilitated, "a comprehensive domestic violence prevention and treatment service to women throughout Greater New Haven," said JFS's CEO Jonathan Garfinkle,

PhD. "With the WOVS Society's help, JFS was able to establish our multi-functional Women's Center, offering a wide variety of support to at-risk women." Rachel Scolnic Dobin, MSW, who works as a JFS case manager for all area domestic violence cases, said JFS "had over 32 new referrals last year specifically for this program."

"The WOVS grant serves Jewish women from all walks of life, from varying economic and demographic backgrounds and ages...teens, adults and seniors, single, married with (and without) children, separated or divorced," Scolnic Dobin noted. "I assist them on an individual basis with mental health counseling, case management, safety planning, emergency shelter and/or financial assistance, resume review and job hunting – while making sure they remain physically and emotionally safe," she explained.

In the process of regularly serving women in crisis, Scolnic Dobin said that it became apparent that many of these same JFS clients were domestic violence victims.

To address this, she and Garfinkle began applying for the WOVS grants in 2012. "Because of their gen-

erosity, we were able to support these vulnerable women," Scolnic Dobin said. A portion of last year's grant went toward domestic violence prevention and education. JFS's comprehensive outreach included putting up fliers in women's bathroom stalls as well as speaking with area rabbis, and educating BBYO teens in workshops about maintaining healthy relationships and recognizing patterns of violence, she said. "For more information, go to: www.jfsnh.org.

This summer, the Women of Vision Society awarded grants totaling \$12,500. Women of Vision provides women in our community with an easy and accessible way to become lifelong philanthropists through this permanent, restricted endowment fund. The endowment was originally created in 1996 with its founding 100 members and has doubled in its membership and giving since then. Since 1998, over \$180,000 has been distributed in grants to a wide variety of agencies and causes ranging from employment and literacy to acculturation and health issues.

For more information on Women of Vision, visit: newhavenjewishfoundation.org or Jennifer Bayer, Assistant Director, Development, at (203)387-2424, X320 or jbayer@jewishnewhaven.org.

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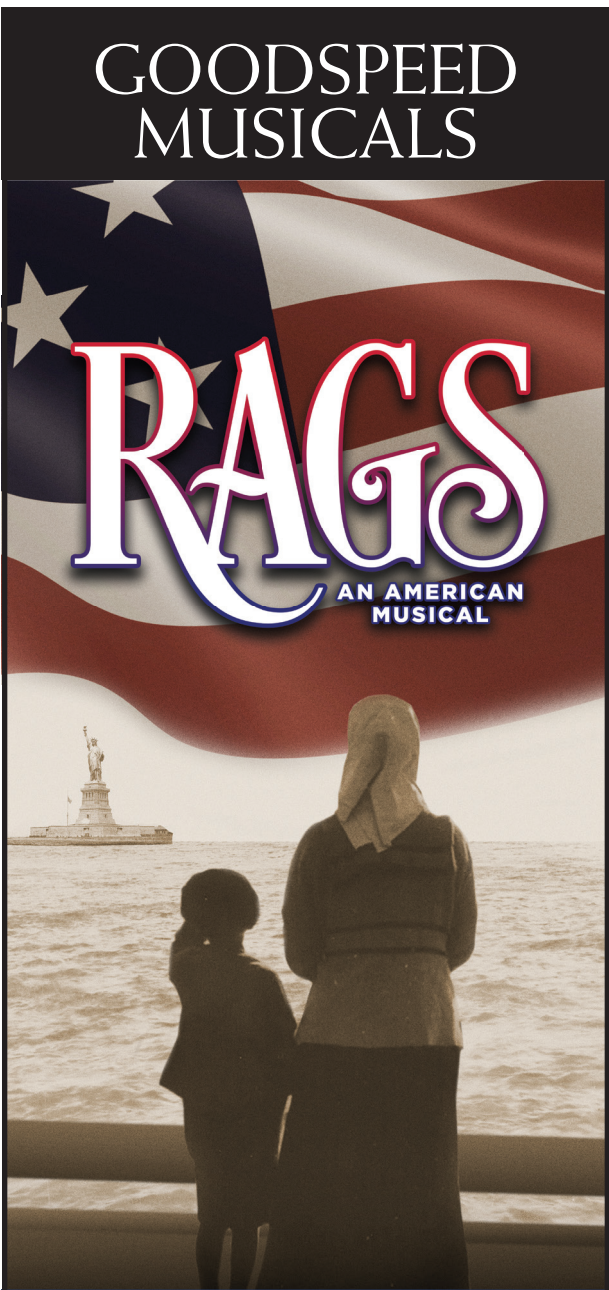
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What happens when you combine 350 campers from three different camps, lots of spirit, and a fundraiser for a great cause? On July 20, Camp Gan Israel campers spent the day at Camp Gan Israel of Westport participating in an "Insane Inflatable Run" to raise funds for Chai

Lifeline, an organization which supports children with debilitating illnesses. Campers solicited friends, family members, neighbors, and others to sponsor their run, and raised \$10,000.

Staff of CGI New Haven, CGI Westport, and CGI Greenwich collaborated to create an event that was both fun and, in the spirit of Tzedakah, benefited others. Chai Lifeline was chosen for its outstanding work and dedication serving seriously ill children and their families. CGI campers held bake sales, sold lemonade, and one family set up a water park in their backyard and invited neighbors for a fee. The campers had two weeks to fundraise, and the campaign culminated in the "Insane Inflatable Run."

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Dear Rabbi,
I feel strange about coming to the High Holidays with my list of requests for G-d. These are supposed to be the Days of Awe, when we recognize G-d's rulership and pray for a perfected world. How can I show up with my individual needs that seem so insignificant compared to global issues? And if I do focus on myself, shouldn't I stick to character improvement and what I need to fix? Otherwise, it seems like I am praying for a withdrawal from a big ATM in the sky.

Feeling Petty in Prayer

Dear Feeling Petty in Prayer,
First of all, I appreciate your spiritual sensitivity, and I suggest that you call yourself "Feeling Profound in Prayer" because your question addresses the fundamental core of prayer. But to answer it, we first need to ask another question (it's a Jewish thing): Why are we even here in the first place? Answering that can give us a deeper appreciation of why we pray.

We are here on a mission from G-d, who lovingly chose each one of our souls to live in a physical body on earth. Our job? To transform our space into something better and more G-dly. Divine Providence guides us: every person we meet, every situation we encounter, is an opportunity to fulfill this mission. Ultimately, the culmination of all of our collective work throughout history will be a perfected world.

But the soul enters this world with no supplies for her mission. And G-d does not want us to be passive. As His partners, we need to tell Him what we need for our health, livelihood, and family so we can fulfill our goal to lead a meaningful, moral life and change the world.

On Rosh Hashanah, we read the story of the prophet Chana, from whom we learn how to pray. Chana beseeched G-d for a child and "I shall dedicate him to G-d all the days of his life". Whatever we ask of G-d is to aid us in our mission on earth. A perfected prayer experience puts us in a position of partner, not supplicant.

G-d is asking us, "What do you need this year to fulfill your mission on earth?" Prayer is our answer to that question, and it includes the spiritual and the seemingly mundane. It is our supply list for life, and we need it to do our job. So go ahead and bring earth up to heaven by telling G-d your needs. And may G-d bring heaven down to earth by answering your request and blessing you—and all the world—with a good, sweet New Year!

Rabbi Yossi Yaffe
Chabad of the Shoreline

Judy Alperin's Mother's Rugelach

Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven
Chief Executive Officer Judy Alperin uses a recipe for the dough from her mother, Marylee Alperin. "I remember her making it and it being a special thing," she said. Alperin, who created and ran a made-to-order dessert business almost 20 years ago, has tweaked the recipe a bit over the years. She says the key is using plenty of cream, butter and other real ingredients. She rolls the dough on a surface coated with a mixture of cinnamon and sugar instead of flour. The dough must also be chilled for at least three hours overnight. Alperin grew up eating rugelach not just at Rosh Hashanah but at all Jewish celebrations.

Dough:
1/2 lb.
cream cheese
2 cups flour
1/2 lb. butter

Filling:
1 cup sugar
2 tsp.
cinnamon
1 cup chopped walnuts
1 cup raisins

Directions:
Preheat oven to 350°

Make dough at least 3 hours in advance or chill overnight.

Blend softened cream cheese and butter. Add flour until it comes together. Divide into three parts and refrigerate.

Roll out each part into a 9-inch circle. Spread filling around circle. Cut into 16ths. Roll from wide end to the tip. Shape into crescents. Place tip side down on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake 20 minutes.

JCL Orientation Program Set for Sept. 26

Volunteering to read at an area school for just one hour each week can completely transform the life of a child.

The Jewish Coalition for Literacy (JCL) is offering an information and orientation session for prospective volunteers at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 26, at the Woodbridge Club, 10 Milhaven Road (off Ansonia Road) in Woodbridge. All adults are welcome and no prior experience is required. Abel Catering will provide a light breakfast.

The JCL is a nondenominational/non-sectarian program that recruits, trains and places volunteer reading partners to share the pleasures of reading and conversation, one to one with a child who can benefit from the attention of a caring adult. JCL offers volunteers a unique, custom-built opportunity to help the community. For more information, contact Brenda Brenner at bbrenner@jewishnewhaven.org or (203) 387-2424 x308.

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Friday, October 27 -
Sunday, October 29, 2017

Friday night, October 27, at Westville Synagogue
Dinner, followed by Services - (time tba)
Family Conflict in the Book of Genesis:
First Born - Plague or Privilege - Birth Order and Parental Expectations
in Cain and Abel story and in classic and contemporary classic and contemporary commentary of the story from Rashi to Bruce Springsteen

Saturday, October 28, at BEKI
9:15am Services, followed by Kiddush Lunch
1:00pm Family Conflict in the Book of Genesis:
Sara, Hagar and Abraham - A Troubling Family Triangle

Sunday, October 29, at Congregation B'nai Jacob
9:00am Services and Light Breakfast
10:00am A Tale of Two Cities: Washington, DC and Jerusalem
Capitals which unite or divide us?

There will be a charge for dinner Friday night. All other events are free and open to the public. Westville Synagogue, BEKI, and Congregation B'nai Jacob are co-sponsors of this event. Special funding is provided by the James M. Shure Educational Fund.

This is a real community event! Everyone is encouraged to attend all events at all synagogues!

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Tributes & Remembrances

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In honor of JEFFREY HOOS 65TH BIRTHDAY
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In memory of ROBERT JACOBS
Judy Alperin
In honor of BARRY VINE'S NEW GRANDCHILD
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In honor of SELMA SCHEIN'S 80TH BIRTHDAY
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In memory of beloved sister of Norma Jean Mitchell
Brenda & Robert Brenner
Lauren Sepowitz
In honor of Donna & Stan Hersh's 49th Wedding Anniversary and in memory of Doris Buxbaum
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In memory of Thalia Gandelman
Judy Alperin
Donna & Stanley Hersh
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Lisa A. Stanger & Gregory M. Colodner
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Community Calendar september

Event details subject to change. Please visit jewishnewhaven.org/events or jccnh.org/events.

JCC's "The Milky Way" Film, September 6, 11 - 1 PM, FREE, Mitchell Branch Library, 37 Harrison St, New Haven, Contact Grace Koo, (203) 387-2424 x228, gracek@jccnh.org

Shabbat Under the Stars at Temple Emanuel, September 8, 6-7 PM, \$5/\$10 max. per family, Temple Emanuel, 150 Derby Ave., Orange, Contact Ruth Gross, (203) 397-3000, office@templemanuelgnh.org.

The Towers—Founders' Day Celebration, Sept. 10, 1-3 PM, FREE, Tower One, Tower East, 18 Tower Lane, New Haven. Contact Vivian Kantrow, (203) 772-1816, vivian@towerone.org.

JCC's Speak Up: Storytelling Workshop with Matthew Dicks, Sept. 10, 9 AM-5 PM. \$85 members/\$100 community, JCC of Greater New Haven Auditorium, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge, Contact Grace Koo, (203) 387-2424 x228, gracek@jccnh.org.

ADL Presents: "Voices", Sept. 10, 5:30-9:30 PM, Levitt Pavilion, 40 Jesup Road, Westport. Contact Andy Friedland, (203) 288-6500, afriedland@adl.org.

JCC's Kids Can Cook, Mondays, Sept. 11-Oct. 2, 4-5 PM. \$60 JCC Members,/\$75 Community, JCC of Greater New Haven Kitchen, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge, Contact Grace Koo, (203) 387-2424 x228, gracek@jccnh.org.

AIPAC: An Evening with Ambassador Ron Prosor, Sept. 13, 7-8:30 PM, FREE, Slifka Center for Jewish Life at Yale, 80 Wall Street, New Haven. Contact Elon Stricker (617)-399-2552, estricker@aipac.org, www.aipac.org/newhaven2017.

Excuse Me! Pre-Selichot Gathering, Sept. 14, 7:30-9:30 PM, FREE, The Yurt, 550 Amity Road, Woodbridge. Contact Mara Balk (203)-387-2424 x300, marab@jccnh.org.

PJ Library & Cheshire Library High Holiday Program, Sept. 15, 10:30-11:30 AM, FREE, Cheshire Library, 104 Main Street, Cheshire, Contact Stacey Battat, (203) 387-2424 x317, pjlibrary@jewishnewhaven.org.

JCC's Annual Murray Lender Bagel Run, Sept. 17, 9-11 AM, \$25 entry fee, JCC of Greater New Haven, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge, Contact Susan Donovan, (203) 387-2522 x265 susand@jccnh.org (registration begins at 8 a.m./run at 9:30 a.m.).

Westville Library High Holiday program with PJ Library, Sept. 19, 4-5 PM, FREE, Mitchell Branch Library 37 Harrison St. New Haven. Contact Stacey Battat, (203) 387-2424 x317, pjlibrary@jewishnewhaven.org

Kever Avot, Sept. 24, 2-3 PM, FREE, Holocaust Memorial, 491 Whalley Ave New Haven, Contact Jeanette Yurman (203) 387-2424 x325 jjurman@jewishnewhaven.org.

PJ Library Blue Trails High Holiday Family Walk-Hike, Sept. 24, 3-4 PM, FREE. Meet at Woodbridge Town Hall, 11 Meetinghouse Lane, Woodbridge, Contact Stacey Battat, (203) 387-2424 x317, pjlibrary@jewishnewhaven.org.

JCL's Information and Orientation Session, Sept. 26, 9:30-11 AM, FREE. Woodbridge Club, 10 Milhaven Rd. Woodbridge, Contact Brenda Brenner 203 387-2424 x308, bbrenner@jewishnewhaven.org.

Women's Film Series & Learning with Locals: "She Started It" Film, Sept. 27, 7-9 PM, \$5. Joseph Slifka Center for Jewish Life 80 Wall St. New Haven, Contact Grace Koo, (203) 387-2424 x228 gracek@jccnh.org.

Author Abigail Pogrebin, "My Jewish Year", Sept. 28, 7-9 PM, FREE. Temple Beth David, 3 Main St., Cheshire, Contact Grace Koo, (203) 387-2424 x228. gracek@jccnh.org



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Community Farm, Oct. 1, 10:30 AM-12 PM, \$10 per child/\$20 family max., Massaro Community Farm, 41 Ford Rd. Woodbridge, Contact Eliana Sugarman, (203) 387-2424 x306, elianas@jccnh.org.

Author Adam Greenberg, "Get Up: The Art of Perseverance,"

Oct. 1, 11:30 AM-1:30 PM, \$5 members/\$10 community-Lunch Included, JCC Fitness Center, 4 Research Drive, Woodbridge, Grace Koo, (203) 387-2424 x228 gracek@jccnh.org.

Author Peter Gethers, "My Mother's Kitchen,"

Oct. 15, 7-9 PM, FREE, Woodbridge Town Library, 10 Newton Rd., Woodbridge, Contact Grace Koo, (203) 387-2424 x228 gracek@jccnh.org.

Woodbridge Fallapalooza: Indoor Pool

Party, Oct. 22, 1:30-3:30 PM, FREE, JCC of Greater New Haven Pool 360 Amity Rd. Woodbridge, Contact Debbie Brander, (203) 387-2424 x276 debbieb@jccnh.org.

Jewish Federation Major Gifts Event,

Oct. 22, 5-8 PM, More info to be announced, Contact Amy Holtz, (203) 387-2424 x254, aholtz@jewishnewhaven.org.

2nd Annual International Festival,

Oct. 29, 11 AM- 2 PM, FREE, Whitneyville Cultural Commons, 1253 Whitney Ave. Hamden, Contact Eliana Sugarman, (203) 387-2424 x306, elianas@jccnh.org.



About 280 students, staff and guests participated in a recent service at the BBYO Perlman Summer Camp at Lake Como, Pennsylvania. This Shabbat was dedicated to "Shabbat to Remember." Seventeen Holocaust survivors, including Endre (Andy) Sarkany, Campaign & Donor Services Manager for the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven, were invited to participate and give talks about their experiences.



STORYTELLING WORKSHOP

WITH MATTHEW DICKS

Sunday, September 10
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.



Matthew Dicks, 30-time Moth StorySLAM champion, returns to the JCC of Greater New Haven for a storytelling workshop! Join us for a day of detailed instruction, explanation, and stories that will make you laugh and maybe even cry. The storytelling workshop focuses on exercises that assist individuals in creating stories from daily experiences while providing constructive feedback to refine storytelling skills. Matthew's workshops also prepare individuals for speaking and storytelling in a wide variety of environments. The low-stakes, safe, and inviting atmosphere welcomes all who are interested in the art of storytelling. Beginners encouraged.

JCC | 360 Amity Road | Woodbridge
Members: \$85 | Community: \$100
Kosher snacks and beverages provided

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Contact: Grace Koo, gracek@jccnh.org | (203) 387-2424 x228

SHORELINE HAPPENINGS

Shoreline Adult Ed.: The Healing

Power of Psalms-A Spiritual Journey, Sept. 7 & 28, 10 AM - 12 PM, FREE, Shoreline Office: Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven, 705 Boston Post Rd., Building C , Suite 2A, Guilford, Contact Jill Lesage, (203) 738-0033, jwlesage@jewishnewhaven.org

Shoreline Jewish Heritage Program at

Evergreen Woods, Sept. 18, 2:30-3:30 PM, FREE, Evergreen Woods Vibrant Living Center, 88 Notch Hill Road, North Branford. Contact Jill Lesage, (203) 738-0033, jwlesage@jewishnewhaven.org

Shoreline Adult Ed.: Pirke Avot-Reflections on How We Live Our

Lives, Sept. 28, 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM, FREE, Shoreline Office: Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven, 705 Boston Post Rd. Building C , Suite 2A, Guilford. Contact Jill Lesage, (203) 738-0033, jwlesage@jewishnewhaven.org

Lunch & Learn Series: "Say That in

HEBREW!!" Wednesdays, Oct. 4-Nov. 15, 12- 1:15 PM, FREE, Temple Beth Tikvah, 196 Durham Rd., Madison, Contact Rabbi Stacy Offner, (203) 245-7028, rabbi@tbtshoreline.org



People flocked to the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven's table at the Shoreline Jewish Festival in Guilford.



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SHORELINE HAPPENINGS



Pressman's Photos Featured at CBSRZ

Michael Pressman's poignant new photography exhibition "Fences" is now on display through October at the art gallery of Congregation Beth Shalom Rodfe Zedek (CBSRZ), 55 E. Kings Highway, Chester.

The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Pressman's work was inspired by the first photograph he fell in love with as a young man: "White Fence" by the great Jewish master Paul Strand (1890-1976).

"Fences are as beautiful to me as the rocky shore of Hammonasset," Pressman said.

"My challenge was to combine the natural beauty of the area with the practical and evocatively metaphorical structure of fences."

Pressman spent more than 30 years as a national broadcast journalist. He is the recipient of the Overseas Press Club's Edward R. Murrow Award, an Emmy, and the Cine Golden Eagle Award.

New Book Chronicles CBSRZ's History

A very special "Books & Bagels" event to highlight and celebrate the launch of the book "Congregation Beth Shalom Rodfe Zedek the First 100 Years" will be held on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 11 a.m. at Congregation Beth Shalom Rodfe Zedek, 55 East Kings Highway, Chester. The public is welcome to this very special event for the CBSRZ community as well as the entire Jewish community across Connecticut.

The noteworthy book chronicles the deeply rooted Jewish synagogue Rodfe Zedek ("Pursuers of Peace") founded by Jewish farmers in Moodus in 1915 and the merging of this congregation with the Jewish Community Center of Lower Middlesex County in Deep River founded in the 1930s to become what is now known as Congregation Beth Shalom Rodfe Zedek in Chester.



This important historical book details the ceremony with the Torah walk from Deep River when the two congregations came together in the new Chester building, which was designed by 20th century conceptual artist Sol LeWitt.

For more information, go to cbsrz.org.



by Stacey Battat
PJ Library Professional

As the Jewish New Year approaches, the Days of Awe offer us a "clean slate" opportunity to look at our lives and our relationships with new vision. Tashlich, traditionally practiced on the first day of Rosh Hashanah, gives us a ritual to let go of transgressions and to teach our children that we always have the chance to start anew.

Tashlich also helps us bond with nature. The custom is to walk quietly and in reflection of what habits, behaviors and actions have not served us and to throw these into any moving body of water symbolically, usually with breadcrumbs. The water washes the crumbs away, and with it, our mistakes. The PJ Library book, "Sammy Spider's First Yom Kippur" teaches us how to speak with children about this concept. The book offers discussion starters and activities for the family:

- Look through books (even watch movies, television) and ask – what is wrong in this situation and who needs to say they are sorry?

Tashlich Offers Families Ritual of Renewal, Time to Bond with Nature



- Put on a puppet show to act out situations. Have your child be the "voice" of some of the animals and practice saying "I am sorry" and "I forgive you."
- Help your child remember a time that s/he made a mistake or hurt some one's feelings. Together, reflect on how your child could have handled that situation differently, and how they felt afterward. Recognize that a genuine "I am sorry" can be hard to say.
- If your child remembers a wrongdoing and has not yet apologized, together, you can make an "I'm sorry" card.

PJ Library will host a Tashlich nature hike, open to all, on Sunday, Sept. 24, from 3-4 p.m. at the Blue Trails in Woodbridge. Temple Emanuel's Rabbi Michael Farbman will join us with his mini-guitar for the short walk to the water, which is accessible to most (wheels may be difficult). We will meet at the Woodbridge Town Hall parking lot, 11 Meetinghouse Lane, for snacks and a story, and leave for the short hike at around 3:15 p.m. RSVPs are appreciated.

On Sept. 21, at 2:30 p.m., families are welcome to join Temple Beth Tikvah for a PJ Library story and short family musical service with shofar blasts on the beach at 60 Soundview Ave. in Madison.

We hope your reflection and renewal time brings light, joy, good health and the spark of Jewish life into your lives in the coming year. Happy New Year. L'Shana Tova t'katev!

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Ready to begin your home search? You probably have a good idea of exactly what you want and which amenities are most important to you. However, be prepared to compromise, because there's a chance you won't find the "dream home" you've imagined with everything you desire. Be careful not to avoid looking at a home because you're not impressed by the exterior. Not every seller takes the time to repaint siding and landscape the yard before putting the For Sale sign out.

In many cases, the sellers have done work on the interior first, so give it a chance and take a peek. Remember that your own paint and landscaping can transform an otherwise wonderful home into exactly what you want. If nothing else, use it as a basis for comparison when you look at other homes!

What if you find a nice home that needs some repairs? Don't let worn carpeting or loose tiles stop you from making an offer. In many cases, you can get the sellers to repair mechanical and structural problems, but don't sweat the little stuff.

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Russian Jews Continue to Thrive

by Yelena Gerovich
New American Acculturation Coordinator

The movement to free Soviet Jews was one of the most successful human rights campaigns of the 20th century. After World War II, Jews in the Soviet Union were denied the rights to live freely, to have proper job, to give proper higher education to their children, practice Judaism, or leave the country.

A worldwide human rights effort on their behalf brought together organizations, student activists, community leaders, and thousands of individuals – and reached the highest echelons of the American government. As part of this effort, the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven resettled more than 2,000 Jews from the Former Soviet Union.

Over the past 40 years, not only did Russian Jews integrate well economically and socially into American life, they thrived and continue to do so. Almost all young Russian Jews who graduate from high school go to college. Indeed, Russian-speaking immigrants comprise the best-educated group in U.S. immigration history.

The model for the integration of Russian-speaking Jews is neither a melting pot nor multiculturalism. It is rather a relatively new combination of quick and full Americanization by younger people that at the same time maintains a cocktail of identities including Jewish pride and Jewish identification, plus Russian linguistic, cultural and behavioral patterns. It looks like the second and possibly the third generation of these Jews will choose to continue being American, Jewish, and Russian simultaneously and seek to enhance each of the components of this complex identity.

Most research finds that young immigrants flourish and contribute best if they hold on to aspects of their parents’ cultures. Being Jewish, for them, is about celebrating Jewish holidays with the family, and talking about God or about Israel’s flaws and successes. Russian Jews retain strong links with loved ones in Israel.

Despite the challenges facing many elderly Russian-speaking Jews, social service professionals in the community see little evidence of hunger or homelessness among them. Thanks to local organizations, including New American Acculturation Program, they have support and help.

Across the board, there is a high level of overall satisfaction: 84 percent of those who have lived in America for ten years or more say they are completely or mostly satisfied with life here. We have many bilingual high level professionals in our community now, including doctors, engineers and IT professionals.

Good Year and thank you to all members of our caring community!

For more information about the New American Acculturation Program, contact Yelena Gerovich at (203) 387-2424, x321, or email ygerovich@jewishnewhaven.org.

Westville University Offers Dynamic Programs for Jewish Community

Westville University is Westville Synagogue’s educational initiative that offers dynamic high level programming to the community reflecting their commitment to Jewish learning, history, culture, law and the state of Israel. Here are some upcoming lectures:

“Vat’lamdenu Chukak Chaim- Teach us the laws of the living: A philosophy of Torah and Mitzvot” - Taught by Rabbi Fred Hyman, Westville Synagogue, on Tuesday, Sept. 12, at 7:30 p.m.

Welcome to America

Ассимиляция русскоговорящих евреев.

Американские евреи, включая евреев живущих рядом с нами, в нашем штате, осуществили одну из самых успешных кампаний в области прав человека в 20 веке: «Движение за право выезда и предоставления свободы советским евреям».

После второй мировой войны евреям, жившим в Советском Союзе, было отказано в праве свободно жить, иметь надлежащую работу, давать надлежащее высшее образование своим детям, практиковать иудаизм или покидать страну. Глобальные усилия в области прав человека объединили различные организации, студентов, лидеров многообразных общин и тысячи людей-и они достигли высших эшелонов американского правительства, добились разрешения на выезд советским евреям. В рамках этих усилий еврейская федерация Нью-Хевена приняла и помогала с расселением и устройством в Коннектикуте почти 2000 евреев из бывшего Советского Союза.

Как эти люди ассимилировались? За последние 40 лет русскоговорящие евреи отлично интегрировались в экономическую и социальную американскую жизнь. Они придают большое внимание и значение образованию. Почти все русскоговорящие еврейские дети окончили школу, поступили и окончили американские университеты. Без сомнения русскоязычные иммигранты составляют самую образованную группу людей в иммиграционной истории США.

Модель интеграции русскоязычных евреев не является ни плавильным котлом, ни мультикультурализмом. Это скорее относительно новая комбинация быстрой и полной американизации со стороны молодых людей (с точки зрения языка, культуры и социально-экономической интеграции), которая в то же время является смесью американской, русской и еврейской традиций. Большинство исследований, посвященных молодым иммигрантам, обнаруживают, что они процветают и приносят больше пользы обществу, если придерживаются культурных традиций своих родителей. Когда они теряют свои корни, худшие элементы американской жизни начинают наиболее сильно влиять на них.

Быть евреем для выходцев из бывшего Советского Союза- это праздновать еврейские праздники с семьей, рассуждать о религии, о проблемах и успехах Израиля. Несмотря на проблемы, с которыми сталкиваются многие пожилые русскоязычные евреи, голода и бездомных среди них нет. Благодаря местным организациям, в том числе New American Acculturation Program, у них есть поддержка и помощь. Им нравится их новая Родина, они благословляют страну, давшую им свободу и заботящуюся о них. 84 процента из тех, кто прожил в Америке в течение десяти лет или более, говорят, что они полностью или в основном довольны жизнью здесь. В нашем сообществе много двуязычных профессионалов высокого уровня, включая врачей, инженеров и специалистов компьютерщиков.

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For more information, contact Westville Synagogue, 74 West Prospect St., New Haven, at (203) 389-9513 or go to: westvilleshul.org.



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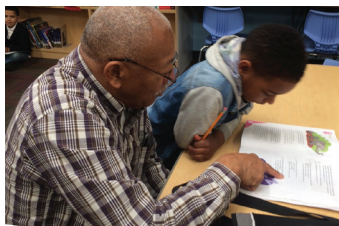


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DATE: Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2017

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: The Woodbridge Club
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(off Ansonia Road)

All adults are welcome. No prior experience required.

RSVP PREFERRED: Brenda Brenner
bbrenner@jewishnewhaven.org
(203) 387-2424 x308



Kever Avot

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After looking at these materials and reflecting on what he learned, Franzoni poured out his anger and sorrow into an architectural rendering of a simple, yet stark, memorial that captured the essence of the most catastrophic event in Jewish history. At the Mayor's first committee meeting, Franzoni's stunning design was approved immediately without any changes.

The group decided to build the memorial at the corner of Edgewood Park on Whalley Avenue, a spot where thousands of New Haven residents and others would pass daily. Thanks to the strong leadership and support of Logue, the proposal passed quickly through several necessary city committees.

While New Haven's monument was the first Holocaust memorial to be built on public land, not a dollar of public funds was used to build it. Franzoni donated his time and the plans for the project. The project's contractor, George Skolnick, provided the building crew and supervision of the project at below cost and volunteers from a wide cross section of the city covered the cost of the entire memorial by raising money and going door to door for funds.

On April 15, 1977, ground was broken for the memorial as part of the city's annual memorial service, which was sponsored by the New Haven



Jewish Federation. The memorial's construction proceeded in the summer of 1977.

The memorial was formally dedicated in ceremonies on Oct. 30, 1977. More than 1,000 people attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony. The event received state-wide media coverage

Mayor Logue with then-Jewish Federation President Herbert D. Setlow unveiled the plaque which reads, "We remember the six million Jews who were killed by the Nazis during World War II - 1939-1945 (5699-5705). Erected by the City of New Haven and the New Haven Jewish Federation."

Buried at the center of New Haven's Holocaust Memorial is a shoebox of ashes collected from Auschwitz Birkenau. The shoebox is surrounded by a concrete Star of David that forms the base of the memorial. Surrounding the center are curved,

metal beams with symbolic barbed wire that represent Jewish imprisonment. Six center yew trees memorialize the six million Jews who were murdered. Eighteen plaques, symbolizing the 18 different concentration camps, surround the memorial. Two bushes, whose planters are adorned with plaques, sit close to the memorial to honor the rescuers and others who died at the hands of the Nazis.

In 2005, Doris Zelinsky, a New Haven resident and daughter of two Holocaust survivors, founded a non-profit corporation, Greater New Haven Holocaust Memory, Inc. to help repair the monument.

In 2007, the group enlisted the help of New Haven architect Eric Epstein, who volunteered his time to oversee the refurbishment and to design a traveling exhibition about the memorial entitled "Memory and Legacy."

For the last 10 years, the educational and emotionally moving audio-visual display of archival photographs and oral histories has been used as part of the New Haven Public School's curriculum and shown at 35 locations across the state, including the Jewish Community Center of Greater New Haven, colleges, houses of worship, government buildings and private businesses. A documentary film on the evolution and aftermath of the New Haven Holocaust Memorial was released in 2015.

Holiday Craft Fair Returns to JCC on Dec. 3



Marking the first community-wide event at the JCC since the fire shuttered its doors, the popular Holiday Craft & Gift Fair returns on Sunday, Dec. 3, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. More than 50 vendors will be setting up shop at 360 Amity Road for the Holiday Fair, celebrating its 14th year.

Need the perfect gift for the holidays? Or indulge in something special for yourself! The Craft & Gift Fair features artisans, crafters and vendors from our local area and from all over New England.

The selection includes pottery, art-work, accessories, home décor, jewelry, glass works, skin care and clothing. The event boasts many new vendors this year plus returning favorites.

Special programming and activities will also be offered on Sunday, Dec. 3, so bring the entire family to the JCC. There will be kid's area offering free craft making and face painting. Free movies and babysitting for children ages four and up from 1-4 p.m. There is free admission for all and plenty of free parking. *Limited spaces remain for vendors. Please contact Debbie Brander at (203) 387-2424 x276, or debbieb@jccnh.org for more information.*

Jewish Community Campus to Be Revitalized

by Judy Alperin

CEO, Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven

Work on our Jewish community building continued over the summer with major strides made with regard to the vetting and hiring of an architect and construction management firm—Svigals & Partners and PAC Group, respectively.

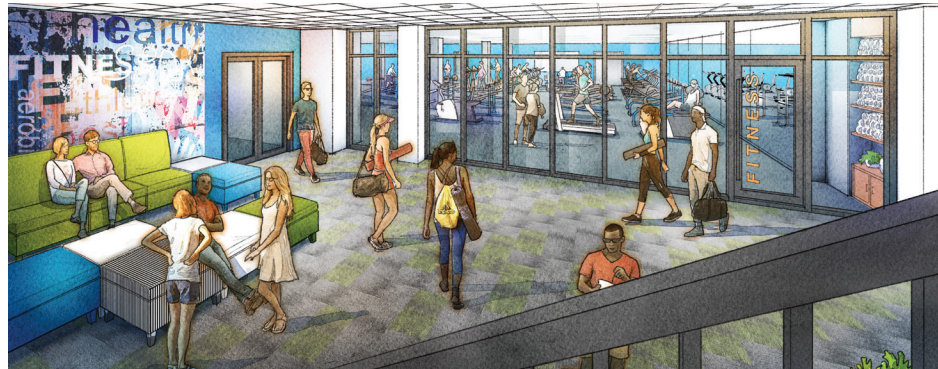
The Svigals team brings a broad range of experience to the JCC project. The firm addressed security concerns while designing the new Sandy Hook Elementary School and they have designed educational spaces at Temple Israel in Westport and the Goodwin Early Childhood Magnet in East Hartford, renovated cultural arts spaces like the Little Theater in New Haven and designed the Yale New Haven Hospital, LivingWell Center in New Haven. The PAC Group has been managing the ongoing renovations at the Mandell JCC of Greater Hartford in recent years.

The Jewish Federation Board met in special sessions twice over the summer months to hear the Building Steering Committee's recommendations for enhancements based on the many focus groups and surveys conducted.

Their focus was on how to create spaces that would support the main goal of program expansion and the revitalization of the building as a community hub. At the same time, programming departments are working to develop spokes that will emanate from the hub to increase programs and services across the region.

Excitement is building around the creation of a STEAM center (Science Technology Engineering Arts & Math) that will provide hands-on learning opportunities and a maker space for all ages. This will enhance the curriculum for our youngest at Yeladim through our seniors.

There's lots of creative brainstorming happening with regard to our recreational activities, gymnasium and fitness programs. We expect to offer a multitude of



This illustration provided by Svigals & Partners shows the lower-level lounge and gateway to the redesigned fitness center.

new programs this winter.

The fitness center and café areas will receive a complete makeover and redesign. And Yeladim is beginning the year in brand new classrooms after undergoing a complete refresh this summer with new flooring, cabinetry, shelving and fresh paint.

This winter, the Jewish community campus will fully reopen with enhanced security features including a centralized security desk to enable a monitored member and guest engagement, security cameras, shatterproof windows, remote locking doors on classrooms and a zoned alarm system.

The Jewish community building's enhanced campus will meet the demand for enriched programming, strengthen senior adult activities, increase dynamic Jewish education opportunities and enhance collaboration with Jewish community partners, all to expand the gateways to Jewish life. *For the latest news on the project, go to: jccnh.org/updates.*

Seventh Annual Murray Lender 5K Bagel Run Set for Sept. 17

On your mark, get set, go! The Seventh Annual Murray Lender 5K Bagel Run is set for Sunday, Sept. 17, at the JCC of Greater New Haven, 360 Amity Road in Woodbridge.

Registration starts at 8 a.m. The free children's obstacle course begins at 8:45 a.m., followed by the 5K and the two-mile Family Fit Walk at 9:30 a.m. Groups are encouraged to participate. The course starts in the back parking lot on the JCC campus, winds up through JCC Day Camps and into a beautiful residential Woodbridge neighborhood.

The Murray Lender 5K Bagel Run began in 2011 in honor of Murray Lender, who planned many events for communal organizations and causes over the years.

Lender was a driving force in creating the 360 Amity Road campus for the JCC. While the rest of the world knows him and his brother Marvin for their bagels, the Murray Lender 5K Bagel Run pays homage to his generous spirit and love of community.

The Bagel Run committee begins planning for this annual event in January. Members gather every month to create a fun day for families and the commu-



nity to help the JCC fitness center remain current. This year's title sponsor is Titan Energy, national provider of maintenance and repair service for power generators, switches and uninterruptible power supplies.

The fun doesn't end after the race with inflatable slides for kids, a DJ playing the hits and generous snack and refreshments tables. Food is donated by local bakeries, grocery stores, and from the kitchens of JCC members and staff. Licensed massage therapists are also there to help runners work out any kinks or tight muscles after the race.

Stick around to take photos with our mascot, Benny the Bagel, learn about upcoming JCC and community programming, and find out your race time. The awards ceremony is held at 10:30 a.m., when participants are awarded bagel medals.

Register in advance at jccnh.org/registration-bagel-run for only \$25 and receive a t-shirt, or register on the day of the race for \$30. The kids' obstacle course is free.

To become a sponsor, visit jccnh.org/sponsor-bagel-run. For more information, visit jccnh.org/bagel-run or contact JCC Fitness Director Susan Donovan at susand@jccnh.org or (203) 387-2424, x 265.



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