

## AN OPEN LETTER TO THE HARRISBURG JEWISH COMMUNITY

Having been involved in the Harrisburg Jewish Community for the past 61 years, both as a constituent and as a leader, I've seen both good times and bad. When it comes to our finances, the past several years have been among the most challenging ever. As many of our staunch supporters have either passed on or have left the community and as many of our locally Jewish-owned businesses have either closed or been swallowed up by larger nationally-owned corporations, our annual campaign has declined from an all-time high of \$2.2 million in 1991 to our most recently completed campaign (2013) of \$1.038 million, less than half of that peak, and far less than that when inflation is taken into account. By a wide margin, this is insufficient to sustain our community.

In the past 10 years, we've struggled to remain solvent by cutting programs, reducing staff, repairing and not replacing worn out equipment and borrowing the funds necessary to keep the doors open. This cannot and must not continue. If this trend isn't reversed, the doors to the JCC, the jeweled hub of the Harrisburg Jewish Community,

will be closed and locked. What does that mean? No camp, no sports programs, no daycare, no senior programming, no early childhood, no home for the Silver Academy, no back up venue when other Jewish communal institutions are displaced for any reason and no home for the Foundation. I, for one, am not prepared to allow that to happen and neither should this community.

This community has been given an extraordinary opportunity to avoid a result we all can agree would seriously damage the quality of life in our Harrisburg Jewish community. Through the generosity of the Alexander Grass Foundation, we have been given a gift of \$500,000.00. If we raise an additional \$150,000.00 over last year's campaign by June 30th, the Foundation will give the community an additional \$500,000.00.

The theme of this year's campaign is GROW. If we can achieve our goal, this \$1 million gift will allow us to do just that.....GROW. We can invest in Jewish education, our proposed Ambassador Program and our camp program, just to name a few. This \$1 million gift can help put us on the road to financial stability that we so desperately need. But it's

only a start. If we are to survive, we, all of us, **MUST** make a meaningful financial commitment to ensure that the kind of Jewish community the generations before ours gave us will be here for generations to come.

It's now up to us! If this community really wants a JCC/Federation and the programs it provides, and that many in this community need, want and often demand, then it is incumbent upon all of us to step up and meet the challenge. I challenge this community one step further. Our campaign goal this year is to increase last year by \$200,000.00. I am challenging this community to meet that goal. Let's show the Alexander Grass Foundation that its confidence in us is deserved....That we are willing to **DIG DEEP** and do our part to sustain our communal home.

If you haven't made your gift to the annual campaign please do so now and **DIG DEEP**. If you have already made your commitment, thank you. However, please consider increasing your gift and let's not let this extraordinary opportunity slip through our fingers.

Sandy Cohen  
Campaign Chair

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## A Message from Margie Adelman, CEO

### Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg

In January I had the opportunity to attend the JCC's of North America's Executive Conference. Each session began with a D'var Torah. This one resonated with me and I asked Janine Herman the Executive Director of the Calgary JCC if I could have a copy to share with our staff. She graciously sent it to me and because of snow our staff meetings were rescheduled and I finally got to share it at our March Staff meeting. With Janine's permission I changed the end to relate to our programming. After I shared it with our Staff they suggested that I include it in an issue of Community Review. With credit to Janine I am sharing her D'var Torah with you because even though it is not the portion of the week, the message is one I believe is important every week!

*Our topic for today is the J in the JCC and I found a quote from the Torah portion of the week, Terumah, that I thought was appropriate:*

*"And they shall make me a sanctuary and I shall dwell in their midst"*

*Terumah Torah portion follows the giving of the Torah. In this portion G-d directs the Jewish people to make the Tabernacle and all of its furnishings. The direction G-d gives is in fact very detailed and reads like a contractors list of supplies and instructions rather than a task with sacred intentions. Why is there so much time and effort spent on providing such a detailed list of requirements and raw materials? Perhaps it's because this sanctuary that is being built is where the Jewish people will gather and focus their connection to G-d and to each other. Therefore it's intended to be more than just a building, more than just a set of plans, more than just a local meeting hall. It's a place where the presence of G-d will be dwelling among the Jewish people. So it's necessary to have such detailed lists and instructions.*

*It is important to have big ideas, big dreams and big picture thinking but the Terumah illustrates that it's also just the basic 'nuts and bolts' that really make a place worthy of G-d - G-d is in the details. So at the JCC where we make it a business to ensure the pool isn't too hot or the Seniors have the right chairs for Mah Jongg it may seem like we are worried about the 'small stuff' but it's actually just like the work of those building this sanctuary to G-d and for the community.*

*In this portion G-d also directs the Jewish people to bring gifts to further enhance the work of the builders and artisans. It's interesting that this request to give follows the giving of the Torah. Maybe this is to show that G-d's presence will be felt in a place of generosity, a place where people are willing to give and to give of themselves to build something for everyone.*

*To me this sounds like what we are trying to do at our JCC's. Build an inclusive environment where people from all backgrounds will gather and give of themselves. Not only financially, but give their time, their talents and their expertise in volunteer and leadership positions. To give of themselves in meeting people, welcoming strangers, building a community. To give their knowledge to others in an approachable way so as to build bridges not barriers.*

*That's what I mean when I say to everyone that we are putting the J in the JCC. We are building a sanctuary where people, regardless of their background, can come and give of themselves, learn from others and become a part of our community. This inclusiveness is what makes us different from other Jewish organizations, other fitness centers and other child care centers. The breadth of Jewish programming -Community Havdalah, Jewobilee, Purim Carnival, Latkapalooza, Rosh Hashanah and Passover cooking programs- all offer an opportunity to get involved, learn about Judaism, meet other people, in a safe, non-threatening way. This appeals to Jews of all affiliations as well as non-Jews who want to learn.*

*The JCC is more than just a building, more than a list of contractors' supplies and raw materials. It's a gathering of people who are giving of themselves and this sounds like a place where*

*G-d's presence dwells -really - a sanctuary for the community.*

B' shalom,

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# Tzedakah Society to Honor Marcia and Sandy Cohen Alyce and Mort Spector to receive National Endowment Award

The Susquehanna Tzedakah Society annually honors donors who have made substantial commitments to the Jewish community and its constituent institutions through planned gifts and endowments.

This year's honorees, Marcia and Sandy Cohen, both Harrisburg natives, are well aware of the needs of our community. They have selflessly dedicated their time, energy and creativity to the Jewish community of Greater Harrisburg. They have planned their gifts to not only support today's needs, but also to assure that generations to come will have Jewish activity and involvement like those which shaped their lives. Never to turn down a request for assistance, their commitment to our community has set a standard of excellence for all to follow.

When asked why they are so involved, they responded, "As past generations made sure it was here for us, we want to make sure it is here for generations to come."

Alyce and Morton Spector have been chosen by the Jewish Federations of North America as this year's recipients of the JFNA Endowment Achievement Award. Presented to leaders of the North American Jewish community who have dedicated themselves to assuring a future for the Jewish community, this prestigious award was announced at the General Assembly of the Jewish

Federations of North America this past November in Israel.

Alyce and Morton Spector have, for over 60 years, worked on behalf of Harrisburg and world Jewry and have given of their time, talents and money. They exemplify what Marcia and Sandy Cohen stated was "the generation that made sure it was here for us."



This year's Susquehanna Tzedakah Society Dinner will welcome Martin Raffel, a Harrisburg native and now senior vice president and director of the Task Force on Israel, World Jewry & International Human Rights at the Jewish Council for Public Affairs, as keynote speaker.

This prestigious community event will be held on Thursday, May 1 at the Jewish Community Center, Harrisburg.

For ticket reservations and sponsorships, contact the Jewish Community Foundation of Central Pennsylvania at 717-236-9555 or online at [pajewishendowment.org](http://pajewishendowment.org).



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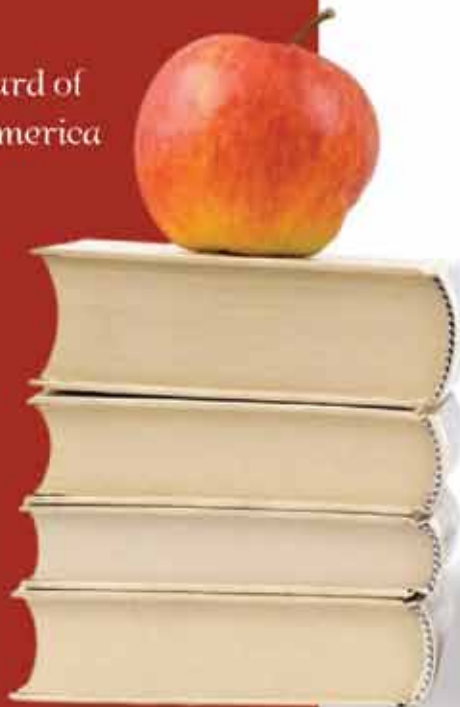
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You may give online at [www.jewishfederation.org](http://www.jewishfederation.org), by mail at Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg, 3301 N. Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110 or by credit card by calling Beth Romano at 717-236-9555 ext. 3204

**Thank you!**

## Women's Philanthropy Luncheon Empowers our Community



**Left to right: Marcia Cohen, Andrea Lieber, Nancy Roseman, Margie Adelman**

Dr. Nancy Roseman, President, Dickinson College spoke at the Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg Women's Philanthropy Luncheon on Thursday March 20, 2014. This luncheon celebrated women who have made a significant impact on their communities through philanthropic giving, advocacy, and volunteerism.

"The women here are role models to the community, and we are proud to have them as members of our Jewish community," said Margie Adelman, CEO, JFGH.

Roseman became the 28th president of Dickinson College on July 1, 2013. The college's first woman president, she is steeped in the liberal arts and sciences tradition from her undergraduate education at Smith College to her 21-year career at Williams College. She spoke about Women and Leadership in the world today.

"It was wonderful to hear Dr. Roseman's inspiring story and exhilarating to look around the room and see so many powerful women in attendance," said Marcia Cohen Co-Chair of the Women's Philanthropy luncheon. "It was truly an amazing day."

Women's Philanthropy of the Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg's Annual Campaign is composed of dedicated women whose efforts support the philanthropic mission of the Jewish Federation. Through personal involvement, women are effecting policy and influencing change in our community. Whether your interests lie in education, fundraising or community service, the Women's Philanthropy can enhance our awareness and understanding of your Jewish community and Jewish heritage and offers you the chance to meet new people with similar interests. The Federation recognizes the generosity of its women donors in two recognition societies, Lion of Judah and the Pomegranate Society.

Women's Philanthropy welcomes you and invites you to participate in our activities! We have opportunities for involvement throughout the year.

For more information about the Women's Philanthropy or its events, please contact Stuart Gasner, Development Director at [s.gasner@jewishfedhbg.org](mailto:s.gasner@jewishfedhbg.org) / 717-236-9555 ext. 3299 or Beth Romano at [b.romano@jewishfedhbg.org](mailto:b.romano@jewishfedhbg.org) / 717-236-9555 ext. 3204

## 50 FOR 50 FRIENDS

**By Neely Meals, JFS President**

We hope by now you have received your Jewish Family Service Friends Campaign letter. In this special year, marking our 50 year anniversary, your commitment to be a FRIEND is more important than ever. One of JFS' major goals going forward is to expand upon the services that we offer to meet growing community needs, especially in Senior Services (SeniorLinks) and Children's Services (Mynd Works). To help us reach those goals, we have added a "50" for "50" line to the campaign, asking you for an additional gift of \$50 that you can earmark for a specific program that is important to you.

The money raised through the "50" for "50" Friends Campaign, if not otherwise earmarked, will primarily be used for causes that benefit our seniors. For example, the United Way of the Capital Region, our major funder of our Two's Company Program, has tasked JFS to find additional revenue streams and not rely so heavily on the United Way to keep the program going. JFS has had many requests for additional services to assist aging parents with health and mobility challenges. In response, JFS is expanding its Geriatric Care Management/POA program to cover this increasing demand. Most important, the "50" for "50" Friends Campaign will supplement our work with the Jewish Family Assistance Fund which helps Jewish individuals and families in emergency financial situations.

We realize that you are asked by many worthwhile organizations for support. As you consider your support for the JFS Friends Campaign this year, please consider the added value of helping your neighbors in your community and JFS' mission to help people achieve their full potential while honoring choice, diversity, and Jewish values through every stage of life.

The Board and Staff of Jewish Family Service wish everyone Hag Sameach, a happy Passover.



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# A BIG BIRTHDAY PARTY



It isn't too often that one gets to celebrate a 100th birthday. Fortunately, those of us who remain proud to be associated with the Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg will have an opportunity to celebrate 100 years of our communal existence throughout 2015. Indeed, the Young Men's Hebrew and Kindred Association was formed in Harrisburg in 1915. The Federation will recognize and celebrate this significant milestone with a wide variety of social, historical and communal programs beginning with a not-to-be-missed film and musical event November 8, 2014.

We want all of you involved in any and all ways you care to be involved. Committees are being formed to make the 100th Anniversary as special as it deserves to be. Anyone desiring to serve on a planning committee for this occasion should contact Margie Adelman at [m.adelman@jewishfedhbg.org](mailto:m.adelman@jewishfedhbg.org) or 717-236-9555 ext. 3104. All ages, and especially those of you with stories to tell and pictures to show, are welcome additions to serve on planned social, cultural, historical, athletic and ceremonial sub-committees. Kindly express your interest in serving on this fun and important mission by May 15, 2014.

## Laura Elder, RN, retires from Jewish Home Campus



**Jewish Home Administrator Crystal Stair, RN, NHA, presents Laura Elder, RN, RNAC with a retirement gift at a party held for her by Campus staff**

After more than thirteen years service, Laura Elder, RN, has retired from the Jewish Home Campus.

During her tenure at the Home, Laura served in several positions, notably as Director of Nursing and most recently as a RNAC. A RNAC - Registered Nurse Assessment Coordinator - is responsible for coordinating processes that relate to assessment of residents in a health care facility. At the Home, Laura worked with the Medical Decision Support (MDS) system to assure that all disorders or conditions are treated in the best possible way.

Her duties required her to have detailed knowledge of levels of care requirements and their relationships to the Medicare and Medical Assistance reimbursement

programs. She determined the residents' acuity levels, documented those assessments in the residents' medical records and analyzed diagnostic data. And she was especially valuable in selecting the correct ARD (assessment reference date) and correct reasons for assessment that capture all resources to assure timely and appropriate payment by Medicare and Medicaid systems.

Since her graduation as a registered nurse almost 40 years ago, Laura has worked steadily while also raising a family and spoiling grandchildren. The residents and staff on the Jewish Home Campus wish Laura a happy and rewarding retirement.

# Hebrew High Graduation 2014

Always a highlight of the Jewish academic year, Hebrew High graduation took place on Sunday evening, April 6 at the Jewish Community Center. The three congregational rabbis, Rabbi Cytryn, Rabbi Kessler, and Rabbi Muroff shared thoughts and well-wishes with the graduates and their families. In addition, Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg's President, Mark Maisel, and JFGH executive director, Margie Adelman, offered greetings to all assembled. Hebrew High directors, Lillian Rappaport and Hallie Rosen, shared their pride in the accomplishments of the students and presented diplomas and mezuzot as gifts from the Greater Harrisburg Jewish community.



Left to right: Sara Spicer, Michael Jose, Rebecca Feldman, Jennifer Wiley

members of Temple Ohev Sholom, and three of the students are participating in the March of the Living. Hebrew High 2014 graduates are Rebecca Feldman, daughter of Stacy and David Feldman; Michael Jose, son of Reyna and Ernesto Jose; Sara Spicer, daughter of Beth and Bruce Spicer; and Jennifer Wiley, daughter of Robert and Eileen Wiley.

The students all shared remarks concerning "a person, place, thing, group or experience that has had a impact on your connection to Judaism." All four students spoke eloquently about their appreciation of the Jewish education they have received in our community and their gratitude to the rabbis, educators and teachers who have taught and mentored them.

This year's graduation class was small, but wonderful! All students were

Mazel tov and best wishes to the graduates and their families!

## A SENIOR FOOTNOTE

By Esther Boldes

Looking at my files, I realized that I have been very derelict in my duties as a publicity person. You must recognize the fact that this winter has been one of the worst ever in years. All anybody could think of, is getting under a blanket to hibernate like a bear and emerge, once the winter is over.

Let me recap some of the programs which did take place, in spite of inclement weather: Our own Al Goodman braved the weather and we had a "Name That Tune" session. The "Tea Lady", Holly O'Connor, from the "One Good Woman" shop in Camp Hill came and told us things we did not know about tea. The movie-day program about has been improved, as we are now able to get more recent ones, better audio and better picture - also some movies nobody has seen before and missed when they were shown.

There was a program on Medicare fraud, which is a subject that's very much in the news nowadays. We had a Jewish Perspective discussion with Bob Axelrod which, as usual, was very interesting.

Some of the meetings were not well attended, but the Club was kept going. Of course nobody wanted our members to risk life and fragile limbs just to come to a meeting. Hopefully, with the improvement of the weather and the start of spring, everybody will perk up and start to come back to participate again.

Also, I would like to remind our members to let us know when somebody has a simcha or other reason to send a card. Our card lady, Barbara Lock, is doing a great job of personalizing your messages and sending them promptly and on time. Our cards are the least expensive, only 2.00\$ a mailing and the Club really makes the profit on it.

After inviting you all to come back to participate again, let me also wish everybody a wonderful Passover from all of us to all of you.

Shalom!

*EDITOR'S NOTE: In the April 4th article "Two Generations Enjoy Spending Time Together", Roberta Krieger was mentioned as the Senior Adult Club President when, in fact, she is the Vice President. Nancy Bayuk serves as SAC President and Roberta asked me to make this correction. My apologies to both Roberta and to Nancy for this error.*

## community calendar

**MONDAY, APRIL 21 – PASSOVER**  
BUSINESS OFFICES CLOSED  
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**TUESDAY, APRIL 22**  
BUSINESS OFFICES CLOSED  
BUILDING OPEN

**THURSDAY, APRIL 24**  
Senior Lunch Program, 10 a.m., JCC,  
Program: Lecture with Rabbi Peter Kessler

**SUNDAY, APRIL 27**  
Yom Hashoah Observance, 11 a.m., Holocaust Memorial,  
Riverfront Park  
"Reading of Names", 7:30 p.m., Chisuk Emuna

**MONDAY, APRIL 28**  
"Reading of Names", Ongoing, Chisuk Emuna

**TUESDAY, APRIL 29**  
Senior Lunch Program, 10 a.m., JCC,  
Program: "The Jewish Perspective" with  
Bob Axelrod, 12:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY, MAY 1**  
Senior Lunch Program, 10 a.m., JCC,  
Susquehanna Tzedakah Society Dinner, 5:30 p.m., JCC

**FRIDAY, MAY 2**  
"Senior Fair", Hosted by Sen. Rob Teplitz, 10 a.m., JCC

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

# Grandparents/Friends Day in the Brenner Family Early Learning Center



# YOM HASHOAH OBSERVANCES

## HOLOCAUST MONUMENT OBSERVANCE

The commemoration at the Holocaust monument on Riverfront Park will take place on Sunday, April 27 at 11:00 am. Winner of the Schwab Holocaust Essay contests will read their essay. Harrisburg resident, Vivian Blanc, will share the Holocaust experiences of her beloved mother, Freda Lederer, z"l, a Holocaust survivor from Czechoslovakia.

## READING OF NAMES

On Sunday evening, April 27, Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Memorial Day) will be commemorated with the "Reading of Names" program to be held at Chisuk Emuna Congregation, 3219 Green Street, in Harrisburg. This meaningful program will begin at 7:30 PM with a special opening service led by children from congregational Religious Schools and the Silver Academy. Following the opening ceremony, a vigil in which the names of those who perished will be read continuously over a period of 24 hours.

"Unto Every Person There is a Name" seeks to dignify the memories of victims of the Shoah, the Nazi Holocaust, by reading their names aloud. These victims were stripped of their names by their oppressors and tattooed with numbers. Through the public reading of the names of Holocaust victims, this program strives to restore a portion of their humanity and to retrieve them from the lost depths of anonymity. For more information or if you would like to sign up for reading, please contact Lillian Rappaport at the Jewish Community Center, 236-9555, ext. 3402.

## HOLOCAUST CIVIC COMMEMORATION

The annual Holocaust Civic commemoration, co-sponsored by the Governor's Office and the Pennsylvania Jewish Coalition, will occur in the Governor's Reception Room in the State Capitol on Monday, April 28 at noon. As part of the program, students will share excerpts from essays they wrote as part of their Holocaust unit of study.

## BOB AXELROD PRESENTS "CRITICAL ISSUES" SERIES AT BETH EL TEMPLE

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From April 28 through May 19, the series runs Monday evenings from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. in Rosen Sisterhood Hall.

**Monday, April 28**

**"Confronting Heresies Within Our Community"**

**Monday, May 5**

**"Crimea, Ancient Israel, Manifest Destiny, and Halacha"**

**Monday, May 12**

**"The River is on Fire"**

**Monday, May 19**

**"A Man Named Gershon; A Man Named Jorge"**

Refreshments will be served. The community is invited to participate. Each of the sessions is independent of others, so missing a session is not a problem. Please come to as many as you desire.

## BETH EL TEMPLE ANNUAL RAFFLE

*Tickets Now On Sale for June 8 event!*

Tickets are now on sale and planning is well underway for this year's annual Raffle at Beth El Temple. The event will take place on Sunday morning, June 8 with a champagne brunch in Arthur and Pearl Anne Rosen Sisterhood Hall.

Will YOU be one of our many Raffle Winners this year? Purchase a raffle ticket to get in on the action! Raffle tickets are \$100 each. All ticket holders get a free brunch, while guests of ticket holders can come to brunch for just \$5. Please join us for a delightful morning of good food, fun and friendship, and thousands of dollars in cash prizes and other valuable items.

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Friday night Kabbalat Shabbat 6 p.m.

Shabbat morning service 9:15 a.m.

Saturday night mincha/maariv/havdalah at same time as Friday evening candlelighting time

**Monday and Tuesday, April 21 & 22** Passover holiday services 9:00 a.m. in Sanctuary.

**Friday, April 25** Tot Shabbat 5:30 p.m. Congregational dinner 6:00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00 p.m. Junior Congregation 7:00 p.m.

**Monday, April 28** Adult Ed series with Educational Director Bob Axelrod: "Critical Issues Facing the Contemporary American Jewish Community." Session #1: "Confronting Heresies Within Our Community." 7:15 p.m. First of 4 Monday night sessions.

**Wednesday, April 30** Primetimers Dinner Social 6:15 p.m. Peachtree Restaurant. Call Carol Sudhalter at 652-4746 to make your reservation.

**Saturday, May 3** Bar Mitzvah of Eli Adler Parshat Emor 9:15 a.m.

**Sunday, May 4** Grade 7 Tefillin/Minyan Family Education Program with Rabbi Cytryn 9 a.m. World Jewish Cuisines Program for Grades K & 6 10:15 a.m. Chaverim Bagels & Coffee Social 10:30 a.m. Capital Campaign Donor Board Dedication 3 to 5 p.m. Dedication & Reception.

**Monday, May 5** "Critical Issues" with Educational Director Bob Axelrod.

Session #2: "Crimea, Ancient Israel, Manifest Destiny, and Halacha." 7:15 p.m.

**Saturday, May 10** Java 'n Torah 9:00 a.m. Interactive Study before Shabbat morning service.

**Monday, May 12** "Critical Issues" with Educational Director Bob Axelrod. Session #3: "The River is on Fire." 7:15 p.m.

**Saturday, May 17** Confirmation Ceremony for our 10th Graders. Confirmands help lead the service. Kiddush luncheon sponsored by confirmation parents.

**Monday, May 19** "Critical Issues" with Educational Director Bob Axelrod. Session #4: "A Man Named Gershon; A Man Named Jorge." 7:15 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 21** Board of Directors meeting 6:00 p.m. Beth El Temple Annual Meeting 7:30 p.m. Installation of new officers and board members.

**Monday, May 26** Bar Mitzvah of Eitan Bronner 9:00 a.m. Parshat Nasso.

**Wednesday, May 28** Beth El Book Club welcomes Ron Balson, author of "Once We Were Brothers." Patron dinner 5:45 p.m. Lecture 7:30 p.m. followed by Q&A, book signing and dessert reception. Community invited to participate.

**Saturday, May 31** Bar Mitzvah of Jason Weitzman 9:15 a.m. Parshat Nasso.

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## CHISUK EMUNA CONGREGATION

232-4851 | [www.chisukemuna.org](http://www.chisukemuna.org)  
info@chisukemuna.org

Weekly Minyan times:

Sunday mornings at 8:30 a.m.

Monday, Thursday mornings, 6:50 a.m.

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

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

**Friday, April 18:** Morning Service, 6:45 am, Erev Shabbat Service, 7:00 pm

**Saturday, April 19:** Shabbat Services, 9:15 am, Shabbat Mincha, Torah Study and Maariv, 7:30 pm

**Sunday, April 20:** Rosh Hodesh: It's a Girl Thing

**Monday, April 21:** Seventh day of Passover - Festival Morning Services, 9:15 am; Mincha, Maariv and Torah Study, 7:35 pm

**Tuesday, April 22:** Eighth day of Passover, 9:15 am Festival Morning Services, including Yizkor. Mincha, Maariv and Torah Study, 7:35 pm

**Friday, April 25:** Erev Shabbat Services, 7:00 pm

**Saturday, April 26:** Shabbat Morning Services begin at 9:15 am, with special programs beginning at 10 am - Mazel Tot Shabbat, Junior Congregation & Women's Torah Study led by Mandy Cheskis, and the monthly Shabbaton light lunch program with this month's presenter, Nancy Krevsky. Mincha, Maariv and Torah Study, 7:40 pm

**Sunday, April 27:** Chisuk Emuna will host this year's Greater Harrisburg Community Reading of the Names program.

## CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL

Lebanon | 273-2669

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All are welcome to our egalitarian services:

Sundays at 9 a.m., Thursdays at 7:30 a.m. Our Shabbat services, led by Rabbi Paula Reimers, are at 7:30 p.m. on Friday evenings and on Shabbat morning at 9:30 a.m. followed by Kiddush.

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## CONGREGATION BETH TIKVAH

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## KESHER ISRAEL CONGREGATION

238-0763 | [www.kesherisrael.org](http://www.kesherisrael.org)

Participate in our daily Minyanim. Mornings: Sundays and Federal holidays at 8 a.m., Monday through Friday at 6:45 a.m. Rosh Chodesh and fast days at 6:30 a.m. Evening services begin at 20 minutes before sunset.

Please join us for our 9 a.m. Shabbat morning services - followed by Kiddush

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## TEMPLE BETH SHALOM 697-2662 | [www.tbshalom.org](http://www.tbshalom.org)

Friday evening Shabbat Services at 7:15 p.m. Saturday morning Shabbat services at 9:00 a.m.

Temple members will be participating in the Yom Hashoah 24-Hour Reading of Names Commemoration on Sunday and Monday, April

27 and 28 at Chisuk Emuna.

The Sisterhood Book Club will meet on Wednesday, April 30 at 7 p.m. at the home of Andi Russell to discuss the book, "Defending Jacob" by William Landay. RSVP to [dandipa@earthlink.net](mailto:dandipa@earthlink.net) if you plan to attend.

Join TBS on Sunday, May 4 from 1-4 pm, for Harrisburg Walks Together, a 2.5 mile walk through Riverfront Park, from the Jewish Community Center to the Holocaust Monument. The mission of this walk is to support tolerance, oppose bigotry, and raise money to repair and maintain the PA Holocaust Monument on Front Street. To register or make a donation, visit [www.tbshalom.org](http://www.tbshalom.org) and click on the Harrisburg Walks Together logo. First 100 people to donate \$25 or more get a t-shirt. Checks should be made payable to the Jewish Community Foundation Holocaust Fund.

To find out more about our programs and events, visit [www.tbshalom.org](http://www.tbshalom.org) or contact us at [tbs.temple@verizon.net](mailto:tbs.temple@verizon.net).

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## TEMPLE OHEV SHOLOM 233-6459 | [www.ohesholom.org](http://www.ohesholom.org)

**Friday, April 25:** Shabbat Service and Soup-N-Study, 6 p.m., Lehrman Chapel

**Saturday, April 26:** Tot Shabbat Service, 10:30 a.m., Lehrman Chapel

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**ADIV VIVEK LIFT**

Adiv Vivek Lift passed away on Friday, March 28, 2014 at the age of 17. Adiv was born to Carl Lift and Varsha Shukla Lift in Ridgewood, New Jersey on September 30, 1996. He was involved in Jewish communities near and far, including teaching Hebrew school, leading BBYO conventions, and attending Young Judaea summer camp for several years. From these, he made a second family of friends. Adiv was also heavily involved at the local Hindu temple and within the Indian community. Adiv played soccer for East Pennsboro High School as a valued member of the team. Adiv had a developed taste and style. He had a special musical talent, and mastered the cello and piano early. Adiv could excel at any instrument he chose, including his voice. He was always singing, smiling, and making the world a happier place. Adiv went out of his way to make people laugh and enjoyed the moments he shared with everyone. Adiv will be missed by all.

In addition to his parents, Adiv is survived by paternal grandparents, Moishe and Ruthie Lift; maternal grandparents, Bipin and Urmila Shukla; brothers Amit Kanan Lift, Elan Prashant Lift, and Daveed Rajan Lift; sister Priya Shoshana Lift; niece Samara Lila Warren; brother-in-law Adam Warren; and a loving extended family. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, April 2nd at Beth El In lieu of flowers, contributions may be offered to the Adiv Lift Scholarship Fund, Tel Yehudah, 575 8th Ave., 11th Floor, New York, NY 10018; and the Adiv Lift East Pennsboro High School Soccer Scholarship. To offer the family condolences, or for directions, please visit [www.HetrickBitner.com](http://www.HetrickBitner.com).

**RUTH C. ROGOFF**

Ruth C. Rogoff, 88, of Harrisburg, passed away on April 2, 2014 at the Community General Osteopathic Hospital. She was born in Vincennes, IN on September 23, 1925 to the late Isador and Sophie Cibull. On June 25, 1944 Ruth married her beloved husband Roy I. Rogoff. They spent 50 wonderful years together before his passing in 1994.

In 1962, Ruth and Roy moved to Harrisburg and with her sister and brother-in-law, established the New Capitol Shop. Ruth was a member of Beth El Temple, a former board member of Beth El Sisterhood, National Council of Jewish Women, Hadassah and Dauphin Residences and Developmental Resources, Inc. She volunteered at the election polls, was an English tutor to Russian Immigrants and a member of the JCC Golden Age Club. She served in the Women's Division of the UJA and was a lifetime member of the Guild of the Jewish Home of Greater Harrisburg. Ruth was preceded in death by her sister Wilma Levy and husband Herman. Ruth is survived by her son, Eric A. Rogoff and wife Cynthia; her daughter, Janice B. Lieberman and husband Robert; her grandson, Evan C. Rogoff; her step-grandson Daniel M. Lieberman and wife Angela as well as other loving family members. Funeral services for Ruth were held on Sunday, April 6th at the Beth El Chapel Cemetery Chapel with Rabbi Eric Cytryn officiating. Memorial donations may be made in Ruth's name to Beth El Temple, 2637 Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110 or to the Humane Society of Harrisburg, 7790 Grayson Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111. To leave an online condolence to the family, please visit us at [HetrickBitner.com](http://HetrickBitner.com) or on Facebook.

**NIKOLAY N. SEREBRENNIKOV**

Nikolay N. Serebrennikov, 76, of Harrisburg, PA passed away on April 1, 2014 at Harrisburg Hospital. He was born in Russia on July 23, 1937 to the late Nahum and Maria (Segal) Serebrennikov. He was a retired train engineer and a member of Beth EL Temple. He is preceded in death by his brother, Genadi Serebrennikov. Surviving are his wife, Berta (Naisteter) Serebrennikova; his daughter, Marina Cherepinsky and her husband, Michael of Harrisburg; two grandchildren, Angela and Max Cherepinsky.

Funeral services were held on Friday, April 4th in the Beth El Cemetery Chapel, with Rabbi Eric Cytryn officiating. Burial was in the Beth El Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to Beth El Temple at 2637 N. Front St., Harrisburg, PA 17110.

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