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JCC Tzahal Shalom Making Connections to Israel

During this year's JCC Tzahal Shalom program, the community is invited to spend time with active-duty officers from the Israel Defense Forces at a week of community events scheduled for April 19-26.

Now in its 37th year in Stamford, Tzahal Shalom, organized by the Stamford Jewish Community Center in cooperation with the Friends of the Israeli Defense Forces, brings active-duty Israeli officers to Stamford each year for a cross-cultural encounter with the community. The primary goal of the program is to strengthen the

unity of the Jewish people. Americans and Israelis are given opportunities to learn about each other and their societies, person-to-person, while building lasting relationships and a sense of extended family.

Representing all branches of armed services, the officers are young men and women who embody commitment, dedication, courage and leadership, and who daily risk their lives in the defense of the Jewish state.

Scheduled events include meetings with Jewish War Veterans, a meeting for

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Study: More than Half of U.S. Jewish College Students Encountered Antisemitism

BY JTA STAFF

(JTA) – More than half of today's American Jewish college students have witnessed or experienced an antisemitic incident, according to a new study.

Some 54 percent of the participants in the survey released [in February] by the Louis D. Brandeis Center and Trinity College said they had experienced or witnessed antisemitism within the past academic year. The survey was

conducted in the spring of 2014, prior to the outbreak of hostilities last summer in Gaza.

The online survey of 1,157 students, conducted by Trinity College professor Barry Kosmin and associate professor Ariela Keysar, found that the percentages of students reporting encounters with antisemitism were relatively consistent across gender, religious outlook and geographical region.

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Yom Hashoah Commemoration Remembering the Holocaust 70 Years after Liberation

BY PETER LILIENTHAL

On Wednesday, April 15, the United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan, and Darien will hold its annual Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) commemoration at Temple Beth El, from 7-9 pm. Marking the 70th anniversary of the liberation of all the concentration camps and the remaining Jews in Europe, the event will commemorate the liberation and remember the six million Jews who perished in the

Shoah (the Holocaust).

Using the format of a seder led by Rabbi Joshua Hammerman, the program will reflect on the story of the liberation beginning with the honoring of survivors. Grandchildren, symbolizing the four sons in the haggadah, will tell the stories of their survivor-grandparents. Those stories will also come directly from the men and women who lived through the Shoah, the generation of survivors.

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Jewish Values and the Use of Force

Israel/Diaspora Dialogue in Stamford

On Sunday, March 29, United Jewish Federation will host a discussion on the future of Israeli policy on military engagement. As part of an effort to reach Jews across the Diaspora, the Jewish People Policy Institute (or JPPI), a Jerusalem-based think-tank supported by Federation partner, the Jewish Agency for Israel, will send representative



Shmuel Rosner

Shmuel Rosner to Stamford to conduct a seminar on Israeli policy. Rosner will be leading a discussion on "Jewish Values and the Use of Force in Armed Conflict."

The impetus for these dialogues was the conflict with Gaza in the summer of 2014. During the conflict, and in its aftermath, the outpouring

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Stamford Teens Attend 2015 AIPAC Policy Conference

The AIPAC (American Israel Public Affairs Committee) Policy Conference may have been huge, but among the 16,000 participants were the teen members of the Stamford delegation. Included in the photo are Rabbi Daniel Cohen (Congregation Agudath Sholom), Or Berger (JCC Israeli shaliach), Daniella Lieberman (UJF teen program coordinator), the 15 teen participants of the UJF/JCC Speak Up For Israel program and the 11 Agudath Sholom Teen Fellows.

Speak Up For Israel participants: Aviva Attar, Alex Bergman, Jed Bergman, Elisheva Cohen, Simone Finkelstein, Richie Greenbaum, Ian Handler, Stephanie Hausman, Matt Jelen, Hannah Katz, Eliana Koehler, Jenna Plotzky, Rebecca Roitman, Daniel Silverstein and Jonah Smart.

Agudath Sholom Teen Fellows: Tamar Cohen, Daniel Jubas, Eitan Karsch, Gabriella Lieberman, Jonah Listokin, Daniel Meiteles, Tany Neuhaus, Remy Neuhaus, Andrew Pitkoff, Sarah Smart and Jennifer Steinmetz.

The Strength of Community

Sunday, February 1, began like any other one of my Sundays. Up at 6 am. Fed the dog and let him out. Then out of the house by around 8. The supermarket would normally have been my destination, but this day was different. This Sunday, I was headed to the Jewish Community Center where UJF's Super Sunday 2015 Better Together Annual Campaign was about to take place. Although I couldn't foresee the outcome of the day, I was filled with anticipation and excitement.



Ellen Weber, UJF president

As I turned into the JCC driveway and was faced with few remaining parking spots, I was elated. A parking lot filled with a multitude of cars, meant that there was minimally that number of people already inside! Volunteers and professionals had arrived early to get ready for the 9 am start time. The JCC had been transformed into 2015 Super Sunday headquarters and football paraphernalia – in recognition of the Super Bowl later that night – was everywhere. Along with Super Sunday was JCC's Mitzvah Day, and it was evident that our Jewish community was coming together in unity. The scene was exhilarating. Adults, teens, youngsters and representatives from UJF's partner/recipient agencies worked together as one to support our Federation, and the future of our community.

The day was filled with deeds that serve to inspire and make us feel proud to be Jews in Stamford, New

Canaan and Darien. I watched young adults of the Friendship Circle work tirelessly as the backbone of the "sorry we missed you" process. I was approached by a mom who told me that she and her girls had been volunteering for hours and although the mom was ready to leave, they were not. "Just one more call," they said. And then there was the student who made her mom return to the JCC so that she could end the day with a successful call. And she did!

By the time you read this message, another great community event will have occurred, Shabbat Across Stamford. I want to thank all the dedicated volunteers and professionals from Jewish community organizations, synagogues and schools for their excellent planning and execution. I would like to especially thank Linda Spilka for her leadership.

Shabbat Across America occurs throughout the country, but our Shabbat, conceived in collaboration with UJF and the Board of Rabbis, is unique and noteworthy. Rabbi Elly Krinsky, program director of the National Jewish Outreach Program, Shabbat Across America's sponsor, stated, "The ideal [Shabbat

Across America] – all under one roof – is now only taking place in Stamford. You are the trend-setter. This is what we seek... In many places distance prohibits this. What Stamford is doing is truly monumental, ground-breaking and newsworthy."

The power of being together as a community cannot be overstated. I am reminded of a quote from Helen Keller: "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much."

I hope that a community spirit of togetherness will continue throughout the year and, particularly, at our next important event, remembrance of the Shoah. While this year marks the 70th anniversary of the liberation of concentration camps, tragically Jews in Europe are once again being targeted. I wish for us to band together not simply in commemoration, but to demonstrate that Jews around the world are strong and committed to "Never Again." Please join us at Temple Beth El on April 15 for a stirring and meaningful program.

All the best, Ellen K. Weber

Temple Sinai Honors Amy and Henry Bubel

BY WENDY LEWIS

On Saturday, April 18, Temple Sinai of Stamford will host its annual gala, "We Are Family," starting at 6:30 pm at Temple Sinai. Amy and Henry Bubel will be honored for their years of service to Temple Sinai as well as to the community at large. The evening will feature an honoree journal, live and silent auctions and a raffle drawing for a grand prize of \$5,000.

The Bubels have been Temple Sinai members since 1986. Amy has been an active participant in Temple Sinai's Sisterhood and ran the Sisterhood's gift shop for five years. She spent 10 years delivering Meals on Wheels monthly as part of the Temple Sinai team of volunteers and is currently in charge of Temple Sinai's monthly sandwich-making crew, which prepares about 300 sandwiches for the New Covenant House. Amy has been a part of Temple Sinai's annual Mitzvah Day and has led community outreach projects, which have benefitted organizations such as the Bennett Cancer Center and Stamford's EMT Corp. Together with Henry, Amy has prepared and helped serve Christmas dinners at the



Temple Sinai honorees Amy and Henry Bubel

New Covenant House each year.

Henry served on Temple Sinai's board for many years, including a two-year term as president. He has been actively involved in Temple Sinai's Brotherhood since joining the temple and served as the president of Brotherhood for two years. He currently chairs the temple's Planned Giving Committee. Henry has participated as a member on the boards of both Federation and the Jewish Community Endowment Fund. He is a founding and continuing board member of FJC (formerly known as the Foundation for the Jewish Community of New York City). Henry is a co-founder and continuing member of the Jewish Sportsmen's League, a group dedicated to the welfare of Stamford's Jewish organizations. Henry is a partner in the tax department at the law firm Patterson Belknap Webb and Tyler. As a member of the bar, he donates time each year to do pro bono legal work.

Temple President Arlene Rosen said, "It is a privilege for Temple Sinai to honor the Bubels. Their dedication to our synagogue and the overall

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COMMUNITY NEWS

An Evening with JFS Celebrating 40 Years of Community Service



Top row, l-r: David Gordon and Jon Fraade. Bottom row, l-r: Meryl Gordon, Robin Fischel and Rita Appel. (Photo by Alison Wachstein Photography)

BY IRIS MORRISON

On Sunday, May 3, at An Evening with JFS, Jewish Family Service will toast 40 years of service to the community, while continuing the tradition of honoring individuals whose efforts enrich the community. The 36th Annual Mitzvah Award recipients are Rita Appel and Jon Fraade, and Meryl and David Gordon. Robin Fischel will receive the Young Leadership Award. The gala event and the Seventh Annual Auction will take place at Temple Beth El in Stamford at 5:30 pm, co-chaired by Meryl Japha and Janet Welkovich.

An exhibit created with the Jewish Historical Society will chronicle JFS' 40 years of service to the community. Through pictures and articles, it will pay homage to the volunteers and staff who have been such an integral part of the story of JFS.

Appel served on the Board of Trustees at Temple Israel for 12 years as both VP and president. Since 2013, she has been the chair of the Southern New England UJR Community. She was recently elected to the Board of Directors of Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County, a nonprofit dedicated to arts education.

Fraade has held leadership positions at The Conservative Synagogue (chair of the Finance Committee, treasurer, VP and president), Bi-Cultural Day School See "JFS" on page 6

Deadlines for articles

The deadlines for the next three issues of *The New Jewish Voice* are:
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Bi-Cultural Honors Six Community Leaders

BY DORA SALM

Bi-Cultural Day School will honor six community members at the annual Bi-Cultural Celebration Dinner, to be held on Sunday, May 17, at 5 pm, at the Hilton Stamford Hotel. The honorees will be recognized for their involvement, contribution and dedication to the school.

The guests of honor of the evening will be Bi-Cultural parents Maria and Glenn Reicin. Maria Reicin is currently serving as the co-president of the Parents Association, has served as a co-chair of the auction fundraising event and was one of the founders of the R2 social responsibility program. She also was instrumental in the recent renovation of the school café space and is a member of the Board of Trustees. Glenn Reicin has chaired the Endowment Management Committee and is an active member of the school's Executive Committee.

Bi-Cultural parent Sarah Rich will receive the Young Leadership Award. Rich, who has served as a past Parents Association president and auction chair, has helped to manage numerous fund-raising and auction events, serving as a positive role model for many incoming and current parents.

Alumni and faculty member Bob Abrams will receive the Alumni Award this year. Abrams has taught a variety of Judaic studies courses throughout the years and is said to exhibit a unique form of enthusiasm while connecting with his students on many levels.

Longtime faculty member Morah Yospa Lieberman

will be awarded the Jane Shoztic Award. Lieberman has taught Judaic studies at Bi-Cultural since 1981. While she currently teaches fifth, sixth and seventh grades, Lieberman has taught many other grades over the years. She created the time-honored eighth grade trip to Israel and has spearheaded the tradition of personally giving each eighth grade student *tzedakah* to deliver to the *Kotel* to ensure their safe

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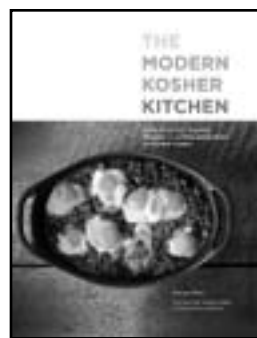
Passover Dessert

BY RONNIE FEIN

When I was a little girl, our family seder was always at my grandma's house. My Uncle Irving read the haggadah, which seemed interminable to us little kids. We were hungry and although the hard cooked egg and Hillel sandwich held us momentarily, we were longing for the feast. Passover dinner was always an elaborate meal, filled with traditional Ashkenazi favorites. In our family, that meant apple-walnut charoset, matzah ball soup, gefilte fish, turkey (and several side dishes), plus my grandma's fabulous chremslich – matzah fritters soaked in gallons of honey.

Unfortunately, desserts were universally awful, mostly canned macaroons and dry sponge cake. Back in the day we never heard of flourless chocolate cake, which became all the rage long after my childhood.

I have to say, though, I am pretty bored with flourless chocolate cake now. It may have replaced sponge cake as the universal go-to Passover dessert, but to me, it has become just as tired. OK, maybe you don't agree. But I have started to experiment with sponge cake again. I baked one last year for my first seder and it was such a big hit I will try it again this year, or another version of it.



The cover of Ronnie Fein's newest cookbook, "The Modern Kosher Kitchen"

Here are some tips for tender, moist sponge cake:

1. Don't over whip the egg whites – you don't want them in stiff peaks. You want them to stand up softly, with the tip just falling over a wee bit.
2. Don't over bake it. Check the cake with a toothpick or cake tester at the minimum time suggested in the recipe.
3. Maybe most important: serve sponge cake with sauce or poached fruit or sorbet, so there will be a refreshing, juicy counterpoint to the cake.

Here's the winner from last year's Passover seder.

ORANGE-SCENTED SPONGE CAKE WITH ROASTED ORANGES AND ZABAGLIONE

- 12 large eggs, separated, at room temperature
- 1 3/4 cups sugar
- 6 Tbsp. orange juice
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 2 Tbsp. finely grated orange peel
- 1 Tbsp. finely grated lemon peel
- 1 cup matzo cake meal, sifted
- 1/3 cup potato starch
- Passover Zabaglione
- Roasted Orange Slices

Preheat the oven to 350°F. Lightly grease a 10-inch angel-food cake pan or 11-inch springform pan. Line the bottom with parchment paper and lightly grease the paper.

Beat the egg yolks and 1 cup of sugar together in the bowl of an electric mixer set on medium-high for 3-4 minutes or until the mixture is thick and pale yellow. Stir in the orange juice, lemon juice, orange peel and lemon peel. Set aside.

In another bowl beat the egg whites on medium speed until they are frothy. Continue beating, gradually adding the remaining 3/4 cup sugar. Beat until the whites are glossy and stand in peaks that are straight but with the very tip falling over slightly.

Stir about 1/4 of the beaten whites into the yolk mixture. Gently fold the remaining whites into the yolk mixture.

In a small bowl, whisk together the matzo cake meal and potato starch. Gently fold the mixture into the batter in small amounts (about 1/4 of the mixture at a time).

Pour the batter into the prepared pan. Bake for 55-60 minutes or until a cake tester inserted into the center comes out clean. If using an angel-cake pan, invert the cake to cool. If using a springform pan, cool the cake on a rack.

When ready to serve, spoon some of the zabaglione onto serving dishes, place a slice of cake on top and surround with some roasted orange slices.

Makes 12 servings.

Note: The cake and zabaglione recipes call for 4 tablespoons (1/4 cup) grated fresh orange peel; grate the peel using the oranges in the recipe for Roasted Orange Slices.

ROASTED ORANGE SLICES

- 6 navel oranges
- 2 Tbsp. melted coconut oil
- 1 Tbsp. sugar
- Ground cinnamon, approximately 1/2 tsp.
- 2 Tbsp. finely chopped fresh mint

Preheat the oven to 450°F. Peel the oranges, removing as much of the white pith as possible. Cut the oranges crosswise into 24 even slices (there should be 4 center slices from each orange; reserve the ends for eating). Place the slices on a baking sheet. Brush the tops with coconut oil. Sprinkle with the sugar. Sprinkle lightly with cinnamon and the mint. Roast for about 4 minutes. Turn the slices over and roast for another 4-6 minutes or until lightly browned. Remove from the oven and set aside.

Makes 12 servings.

PASSOVER ZABAGLIONE

- 8 large egg yolks
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 Tbsp. finely grated fresh orange peel
- 1/2 cup sweet white Passover wine
- Fresh mint leaves as garnish

Place the egg yolks, 3/4 cup sugar and the orange peel in the top part of a double boiler over barely simmering water. Beat with a handheld mixer on medium speed for about 3 minutes or until the mixture has thickened slightly and is pale in color. While continuing to beat constantly, gradually going from medium to high speed, gradually add the wine. Beat for 8-10 minutes or until the mixture is thick and fluffy. You can use the zabaglione warm, from the pan, or let it cool to room temperature.

Makes about 3 cups.

Note: You can prepare the oranges and the zabaglione while the cake is in the oven.

Ronnie Fein is a cookbook author, food writer and cooking teacher in Stamford, CT. She is the author of "Hip Kosher" and "The Modern Kosher Kitchen." Visit her food blog, Kitchen Vignettes, at www.ronniefein.com, friend on Facebook at www.facebook.com/RonnieVailFein, or follow her on Twitter at @RonnieVFein.

JCC Hosts Community Yom Ha'atzmaut Celebration

The Jewish Community Center will host its annual Yom Ha'atzmaut community celebration on Thursday, April 23, from 5:30-7 pm, at the JCC.

"We invite Stamford to come together as a community to welcome the JCC Tzahal Shalom officers and celebrate Israel's independence," said JCC Associate

Executive Director Nancy Schiffman. "Together, we will feel as if we have traveled to Israel and experience the land, the people, the culture, the food, the music and all that Israel has to offer."

Ticket information is available at www.stamfordjcc.org, or call the JCC welcome desk at 203-322-7900. The JCC is

located on Newfield Avenue at the intersection of Vine Road. For more information, contact Nancy Schiffman at 203-487-0941 or nschiffman@stamfordjcc.org.

The Jewish Community Center is a recipient agency of United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan and Darien.

Cocktails and Comedy

Supporting the JCC's Tzahal Shalom Program

BY LUISA VILADAS

An evening of fun and laughter is on tap for Saturday, April 25, when Jewish comedian Johnny Lampert appears at the Stamford Jewish Community Center for Cocktails and Comedy.

Lampert appears regularly at the top comedy clubs in New York and Los Angeles, and is often seen on national television in featured performances on MTV, A&E, Comedy Central, NBC, HBO "Comedy Showcase" and more. The occasion of his appearance in Stamford is a fund-raiser for the JCC Tzahal Shalom Program, which brings active-duty Israeli officers to Stamford each year for a cross-cultural encounter with the community. The primary goal of the program is to deepen mutual understanding and strengthen the unity of the Jewish people. Americans and Israelis are given opportunities to learn about each other and their societies, person-to-person, while building lasting



Jewish comedian Johnny Lampert

relationships and a sense of extended family.

Last year alone, the officers who participated in the program made connections with well over 1,000 adults and children, and organizers expect to reach an even greater audience with this year's program, which is funded entirely through the generosity of individuals in the community. Cocktails and Comedy was created to give the broader community an opportunity to experience a connection with Israel.

Co-chairing this year's Tzahal Shalom visit are Susie Gold, Risa Goldblum, Wendy Handler and Jeannie Kriftcher.

Tickets to Cocktails and Comedy are \$75 per person or \$750 to reserve a table for 10. A premium table for 10 is \$1,000. Those attending must be 18 years or older. A dairy dessert will be served and dietary laws will be observed.

Register online at stamfordjcc.org, in person at

the JCC welcome desk, or by calling 203-322-7900. For more information, contact Nancy Schiffman at 203-487-0941 or nschiffman@stamfordjcc.org, or visit stamfordjcc.org.

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and about women, a presentation with the Jewish Historical Society, a Community Yom Ha'atzmaut celebration and town hall meeting, a teen program, parlor meetings at private homes, lunch with senior adults, and more. There will be numerous opportunities for the community to take part in Tzahal Shalom activities, many at no cost. For a complete schedule, visit www.stamfordjcc.org.

On Saturday, April 25, at 9 pm, the JCC will host

its third annual Cocktails and Comedy event to raise funds in support of the Tzahal Shalom program.

Chairing this year's visit are Susie Gold, Risa Goldblum, Wendy Handler and Jeannie Kriftcher. For more information, contact Nancy Schiffman at 203-487-0941 or nschiffman@stamfordjcc.org.

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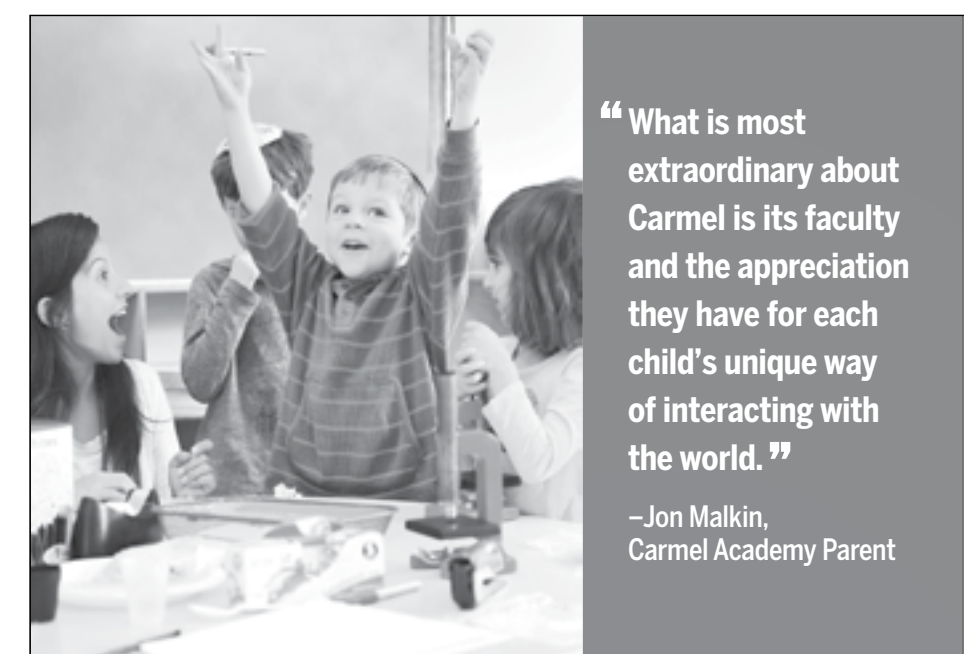
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BY SANDY GOLOVE

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MAZEL TOV TO GROWING FAMILIES:

Rebecca Guber and **David Siegel** on the birth of a son, Wolf Abraham Siegel; grandparents are **Hedy and Maury Siegel**.

Jodi and David Kaplowitz on the birth of a grandson.

Hayley and Ari Lichterman on the birth of a son, Akiva Reuven Lichterman; grandparents are **Jan and Cantor Ivor Lichterman**; great-grandmother is **Harriet Lacker**.



Judy and Bob Raymond on the birth of a grandson.

Karolina and Craig Sasson on the birth of a son, London Michael Sasson; grandfather is **Guy Sasson**.

Janie and Nicholas Wood on the birth of a daughter, Penelope Rae Wood; grandmother is **Norine Krasnogor**.

MAZEL TOV TO:

Leora Bernstein and Yaakov Hauptman on their engagement; parents are **Darona and Tzvi Bernstein** and **Ruth Hauptman and Dave Hauptman**; grandparents are **Sarey and Sam Bernstein** and **Debbie Steinhorn**.

Jeannie Kasindorf on receiving the JCC Presidential Award of Excellence.

Craig L. Price on receiving the JCC Community Leadership Award.

Jan Weingrad Smith, daughter of Gen and Murph Weingrad, who earned her Ph.D. in nursing at U-Conn, was recently appointed assistant professor of nursing at Southern Connecticut State University.

MAZEL TOV TO B'NAI MITZVAH:

Benjamin Goodman, son of **Beth and Jeffrey Goodman**

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CONDOLENCES TO:

Roni Allen on the loss of her father, Jay Seifert.

Sharon Berger on the loss of her mother, Rosalyn Finkelstein.

Lorraine Cohen, Amy Kindler and Kenneth Cohen on the loss of her husband and their father, Ronald Cohen.

Sheila Cohen, Ephraim Cohen and Shifrah Wassner on the loss of her husband and their father, and **Avi Cohen** on the loss of his brother, Professor Getzel Cohen.

Samuli Fayman on the loss of his wife, Alla Fayman.

Diane Indyk on the loss of her father, Leo Petranker.

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Todd Palker on the loss of his mother, Bonnie Palker.

Patty Samuels and Ira Sackman on the loss of their mother, Anna Sackman.

Daisy Schaeffer, Jason Schaeffer and Audrey Schaeffer on the loss of her husband and their father, Ralph Schaeffer.

David Todrin on the loss of his father, Bernard Todrin.

Sandy Weiner on the loss of her father, Philip Rosenblatt.

Gen and Murph Weingrad on the loss of their daughter, Linda Stark.

Mark Zandman on the loss of his mother, Naomi Rein.

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and United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism. In 2005, he received ADL's Distinguished Community Leadership Award. He currently serves as development chair for AIPAC's Fairfield County Region and the VP and treasurer of Camp Ramah in New England. In 2014, he and Appel co-chaired the Saul Cohen-JFS Community Lecture.

Meryl Gordon began her volunteer career with Stamford Hadassah and the Bi-Cultural Parents' Association. Her history with United Jewish Federation includes the board and Executive Committee, Allocations and Budget committees, Gift of Israel Program chair, Tapestry chair, VP of outreach, VP of education, and member of UJF's Jewish Education and Engagement Project (or JEEP). She serves as chair of *The New Jewish Voice* Committee. She also sits on the board at JFS.

David Gordon served on the board of Congregation Agudath Sholom, chairing the Adult Education and Long Range Planning committees, and serving on the Elderly Home Committee. He also conducted the Agudath Shir choir. He was a founding member of Chavurat Am Echad and still serves on the Steering Committee. He has served

on the board and Executive Committee (as VP) of Temple Beth El, where he and Meryl initiated several children's and teen programs. He has also served on Chabad's Advisory Committee. Meryl and David co-founded Etgar Hebrew High School.

Fischel's community involvement includes Board of Temple Beth El's Young Jewish Professionals and JFS' Jewish Twenties and Thirties (or JTT). She represented JFS at the Federation's Behrend Institute for Leadership, served on the Federation's Allocation Committee and the board of its Young Leadership Division. She is a member of the JFS board and designed the Brain Fitness Training Manual.

An Evening with JFS, a social and community event as well as a fundraiser, will include a dinner along with the Annual Auction. Auction items will include jewelry, art, vacations and Yankee tickets. Sandy Speter is the auction chair.

For additional details, visit www.ctjfs.org.

Iris Morrison is associate executive director of JFS.

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UJF Cardozo Society Networking Event with ADL

BY SHARON FRANKLIN

The Cardozo Society, the legal affinity group of the United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan and Darien, held its second networking event on February 25. The program, in partnership with the Anti-Defamation League, was held at the Franklin Street Works Gallery in downtown Stamford. The event included refreshments, networking and a program planned by Cardozo Society Chairs Rob Hoff and Michael Wirgin, as well as the ADL.

The program included a panel discussion titled "Redefining Religious Freedom: From Shield to Sword."



Marc Silver and Bonnie Wattle, of Franklin Street Works Gallery

Speakers for the event were Jeff Babbin, of the law firm Wiggin and Dana, and Lauren Jones, of ADL. The panel focused on the 2014 Burwell v. Hobby Lobby U.S. Supreme Court case and its landmark decision recognizing a for-profit corporation's claim of religious belief. The panel discussion concluded with questions-and-answers

from guests. The UJF Cardozo Society thanked Bonnie Wattle and the Franklin Street Gallery, and event sponsors Wiggin and Dana, and Lampe Batkin Associates LLC. CLE (Continuing Legal Education) credits were offered by Wiggin and Dana for those attending the event.

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Courageous Choices for Ethical Living

Rabbi Cohen to Speak at Cardozo Society

BY SHARON FRANKLIN

The Cardozo Law Society will host Rabbi Daniel Cohen as guest speaker on Monday, April 13, at 7 pm, at a location to be determined. He will address the topic of "Courageous Choices: Signals and Strategies for Ethical Living in a Morally Subjective World." Rabbi Cohen has been the spiritual leader of Congregation Agudath Sholom in Stamford since 2005. The evening will begin with refreshments and networking, followed by the program.

Rabbi Cohen will explore some of the most recent cases of financial fraud. Through an analysis of the key decisions made by the involved parties, as well as interviews, he will examine the moral underpinnings of the cases, identify and discuss the ramifications for modern business, and share



Rabbi Daniel Cohen of Congregation Agudath Sholom (Photo by Aviva Maller)

strategies for financial and value-based success. Rabbi Cohen's lecture will include resources from ancient Jewish wisdom as well as modern scholarship. Courageous choices is one of the principles in his forthcoming book: "What will they say about you? Seven Principles for Reverse Engineering Your Life."

This will be the third event for the Cardozo Society, which is a law affinity group providing educational, leadership and networking opportunities with the objective of benefiting both the local and global Jewish communities. The co-chairs for the event are Rob Hoff and Michael Wirgin.

For more information or questions, contact Sharon Franklin at sharon@ujf.org or call 203-321-5364, ext. 109.



At left, L-r: Jerry Knopf, Shoshana Dweck and Steve Steinmetz



L-r: Lauren Jones, of the ADL; Rob Hoff, UJF co-chair; Seth Marnin, of the ADL; Jeff Babbin, of Wiggin and Dana; and Michael Wirgin, UJF co-chair.

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Save the Date – JHS 30th Anniversary Celebration

The Jewish Historical Society of Fairfield County will hold its 30th Anniversary Celebration at Temple Beth El, 350 Roxbury Rd., Stamford, on Sunday, June 7, beginning at 4 pm with a tribute to the past and vision for the future. Full coverage will appear in the May issue of *The New Jewish Voice*.

Jewish Community Center on Wednesday, April 29, from 9:30 am-3 pm.

“All levels are welcome,” said Lorraine Kveskin, daughter of the late Sylvia Plotkin and chair of the event. “This is a day of friendly competition and serious fun.”

Bridge, Canasta and Scrabble games are also welcome. “Not a game player?” Kveskin added. “Come for the fun! And, of course, donations are also welcome.” All proceeds will benefit programs for senior adults at the JCC.

There will be door prizes and tournament prizes. A light breakfast and lunch will be served, along with

all-day nibbles.

The cost is \$40 per person. Register online at stamfordjcc.org or pick up a registration form at the JCC welcome desk.

For information, contact Connie Cirillo Freeman at 203-487-0983 or cfreeman@stamfordjcc.org.

Free A Cappella Concert at JCC

On Sunday, March 29, at 3 pm, the Jewish Community Center will host a community concert by the a cappella group Magevet. Sponsored by Stamford residents Meryl and David Gordon, the concert is free of charge and open to all.

Magevet is a Jewish, Hebrew and Israeli a cappella ensemble from Yale University. Magevet is known for its “sweet blend of voices, unique arrangements of traditional, modern and original melodies, and its lighthearted sense of humor.” The group’s repertoire spans from modern Israeli pop and Renaissance choral pieces to Yiddish folk tunes and Zionist classics. Magevet members are engineers and historians, Jews and non-Jews, native New Englanders and Californians, who say they are united by camaraderie and a love of singing.

Doors will open at 2:30 pm. For more information, contact Nancy Schiffman at 203-487-0941 or nschiffman@stamfordjcc.org.

Local Teens Will Help Families in Need

J-Serve, the annual National Day of Jewish Youth Service, provides opportunities for Jewish teens to engage in community service and fulfill the age-old Jewish ideals of *gemilut chasadim*, acts of loving kindness; *tsedakah*, just and charitable giving; and *tikkun olam*, repair of the world.

Each year, more than 10,000 Jewish teens from around the world come together to serve their communities and make a difference. On Sunday, April 12, Stamford teens in grades six-12 will help to build, organize, sort and coordinate projects for families who need a home.

“The spirit of *tikkun olam* and *tsedakah* is realized whenever people come together to better our world,” said Harrison Peck, JCC youth services associate. “One person in their hometown can make a difference, but when thousands of teens work together, they change the world.”

Those interested in volunteering should register online at stamfordjcc.org, in person at the JCC welcome desk, or by calling 203-322-7900. Volunteers will receive a t-shirt.

For more information, contact Peck at 203-487-0970 or hpeck@stamfordjcc.org.

TBE Fashion Show Features Chico’s of Stamford

Sisterhood of Temple Beth El invites women in the community to a fashion show featuring Chico’s of Stamford, to be held on Thursday, April 30, at 7 pm, at Temple Beth El. All teen and adult women are welcome.

Chico’s representatives will show women of all ages how to wear their fashions and provide tips on how to “spice up” their wardrobes. TBE members will be modeling Chico’s spring and summer fashions. There will be food and drink, giveaways, raffles and more.

The cost to attend is \$25 per ticket. Those planning to attend are asked to make checks payable to Sisterhood of Temple Beth El, and send to TBE, 350 Roxbury Rd., Stamford, CT 06902. Those who wish to reserve seats with friends should indicate so when sending in payment. Tables seating up to 10 can also be reserved.

Proceeds will be used to fund programs for Temple Beth El students and adults. For questions, contact sisterhood@tbe.org or Beth Silver at 203-249-7046.

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The Cardozo Society is comprised of members of the legal community, including lawyers, professors, judges and others, and provides educational, leadership and networking opportunities with the objective of benefiting both the local and global Jewish communities. For more information about the Cardozo Society or to put your name on the mailing list, contact Sharon Franklin at sharon@ujf.org or call 203-321-1373.

JSS Luncheon Features Celebrity Chef Fabio Viviani

BY ROBIN FRIEDSON

Celebrity chef Fabio Viviani will be the featured guest at the Jewish Senior Services Women’s Auxiliary Annual Spring Luncheon and Boutique on Monday, May 4, at The Waterview in Monroe, CT. The boutique will be held from 10 am-3:30 pm, with the luncheon from 12:30-2 pm. Viviani will create one of his signature recipes, complete with a live cooking demonstration for more than 250 expected attendees. The event is co-sponsored by Morrison Senior Living’s Celebrity Chef Series, and co-chaired by Peri Cook of Trumbull and Tara Cook-Littman of Fairfield.

Viviani is best known for his television debut on Bravo’s reality series “Top Chef” in 2008, where he earned the “Fan Favorite” title. In addition to competing in Bravo’s “Top Chef All Stars” in 2010 and starring in the spinoff “Life After Top Chef,” Viviani has appeared as a recurring guest on television shows such as “Good Morning America,” “The Talk,” “The Chew,” “Ellen,” “Rachael Ray” and “Access Hollywood.” He has authored three cookbooks:

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arrival right before their Israel trip departure. She and her husband, Rabbi Abraham Lieberman z”l, a director of Judaic studies at BCDS for many years, helped foster a love of Judaism and learning for many students throughout the years.

This year, Bi-Cultural will present Stamford Police Department Assistant Chief Jim Matheny with a special Community Service Award. Matheny has served as a security expert and guiding voice to BCDS in developing security policies and a system of safety protocols for the school, including training faculty and staff.

The Bi-Cultural Celebration Dinner is an annual event and is a gathering of current and past parents, alumni and community members to celebrate the achievements of the school.

Bi-Cultural Day School is a recipient agency of United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan and Darien.

“Café Firenze Cookbook,” *New York Times* best-seller “Fabio’s Italian Kitchen” and his most recent cookbook, “Fabio’s American Home Kitchen,” released in the fall of 2014. Viviani also regularly shares recipes with his fans through his own digital magazine, Fabio’s Magazine.

“The luncheon is one of our favorite days of the year. It brings together women in the community to raise funds for the vital care provided by Jewish Senior Services for the residents at the Jewish Home,” explains Cook-Littman. “Chef Fabio is sure to wow



Chef Fabio Viviani

the attendees with his personality and cooking skills.”

Karen Holson of Wilton will chair the boutique portion of the event, which will include a wide range of local and regional vendors with items such as jewelry, clothing, gift accessories and more.

For further information about Jewish Senior Services Women’s Auxiliary Annual Spring Luncheon and Boutique, contact Jillian Carroll at 203-365-6407 or jcarroll@jsseniors.org. Reservations range from \$118-\$250.

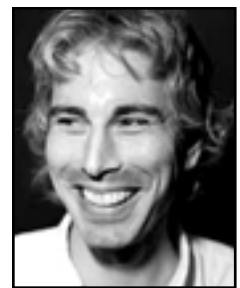
Next Year Jerusalem

A Celebration of the Human Experience

BY ELISSA KAPLAN

David Gaynes’ independent documentary “Next Year Jerusalem” will be the centerpiece of the Jewish Historical Society of Fairfield County’s April Featured Program. Gaynes narrates the story of eight residents of the Jewish Home of Fairfield County, who decided to take a trip to Israel in 2011. Following the film, there will be a panel discussion that will include Ellen Ashkins, director of resident life at the Jewish Home, two residents who are in the movie and one nursing staff person. *The Los Angeles Times* declares, “It’s a privilege getting to know these determined, inspiring seniors.” The program, which is free and open to the public, will be held on Sunday, April 26, at Temple Shalom, 143 Richards Ave., Norwalk, starting at 1:30 pm with refreshments at 1 pm. This program is co-sponsored by the Jewish Senior Services of Fairfield County and Temple Shalom of Norwalk.

“Next Year Jerusalem” is director David Gaynes’ third documentary that portrays the idea of choosing life, even when death is near. Gaynes’ first documentary, “More Than Skin Deep” (2002), explored what



David Gaynes

aging means to five nursing home residents. He filmed the interviews during their weekly beauty shop appointments. Attempting to uncover the subtle differences between living and dying, the director took a hands-on approach: He did the interviewing, he got to know the people in the film and he did the filming. Gaynes discovered a connection between the lens and his own curiosity. He said, “In the tradition of cinema verite, I wanted to bring viewers into the moment.”


Lester Sharlach, former president of the Jewish Historical Society of Fairfield County, along with his wife, Elaine, and their therapy dog Harry, are regular volunteers at the Jewish Home. According to Sharlach, “Anyone who sees the film will be inspired and uplifted.”

Film Journal states that “Life can begin at 90 – something that this warm and winning documentary demonstrates with admirable humanity.” The film is said to leave viewers with an existential question: Where are the ultimate journeys yet to make? Where are peoples’ Israels?

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SAVE THE DATE

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New Judaic Studies Options Available at Bi-Cultural

BY DORA SALM

On February 10, Bi-Cultural Day School's fourth-graders and their parents gathered to hear about innovations in the Judaic studies program available to them as incoming fifth-graders.

Along with the one period a day of Hebrew language instruction, students and their parents will have the option of choosing a specific type of Judaic studies instruction according to the individual student's interest and learning style. Beginning with the fall 2015 semester, fifth-graders will have the opportunity to select two Judaic studies pathways within the middle school: Matmid and Mesora.

The Matmid pathway is a more text-based curriculum that balances the commitment of conveying the content and meaning of religious texts with an emphasis on student acquisition of skills. Through this course of learning, students study the Chumash (five books of Moses), in addition to studying the *parasha* (weekly Torah portion). Tal-

mud and Mishnah classes, providing insight into the exploration and interpretation of biblical text through oral tradition, are taught three times a week in this program. The word "matmid" can be translated as "diligent student" and is designed with the intent of helping each student become an independent reader of traditional Jewish texts.

The other pathway available to students is called Mesora, which is an integrated Judaic studies program with units of study based on Judaism's "big ideas," the exploration of which involves both text study and experiential learning, learning through a hands-on approach. This program emphasizes content, meaning and relevance, with the "big idea of the day" driving each major lesson. Emphasis is placed on delving into the issues of Jewish values and social responsibility, practical skills in Jewish observance, as well as an active experiential or creative component of the class.

Rabbi Yehuda Jeiger, the Mesora cur-



Rabbi Shakked Parhi (standing) demonstrated a sample Matmid lesson to fourth-graders (l-r) Amy Yellen, Nicole Peru, Gaia Sokolov, Gil Vadel and Ayden Mehl. (Photo by Dora Salm)

riculum coordinator and lead teacher of the Mesora program, explained that an example of a "big idea" is the concept of *ve'ahavta lere'acha kamocha* (translated as "love your neighbor as yourself"), which spearheads a multitude of lessons, including respecting people for their unique qualities and appreciating diversity in society. In addition, in the Mesora path, students have Hebrew language classes twice a day, becoming fluent in conversational Hebrew through everyday role-playing and dialogue.

Michal Smart, director of Judaic studies, explained that while each pathway has its own nuances, both pathways share several curriculum areas, such as

a unit of Holocaust studies, a complete overview of the study of Israel, including history and geography, weekly Torah portion study and the study of Navi, or Prophets. "One of the things that really struck me last year when I began at Bi-Cultural was the incredible and strong diversity among Jewish families here. Our primary concern in expanding the Jewish studies program is that all students are able to find enrichment and meaning in their learning, and we enable them to find ways to become not just good students, but life-long Jewish learners," Smart said.

Bi-Cultural Day School is a recipient agency of United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan and Darien.

Slam Dunk!

Carmel Academy Hoops for Heart Fund-raiser

BY JULIE LAPIN

A recent effort to raise money for the American Heart Association was a slam dunk for Carmel Academy's student body. The school-wide fund-raiser, which took place during American Heart Month, netted more than \$2,500 for Hoops for Heart.

"Carmel Academy is a steadfast supporter of the Heart Association and the message of heart-healthy awareness that Hoops for Heart spreads among the students," said Philip Goldberg, who heads Carmel Academy Physical Education department. Over the past eight years, Carmel Academy

has raised close to \$22,000 for the organization that supports heart and stroke research.

"This fund-raiser really brings our school together as a community to raise awareness for an important health issue," Goldberg said. "Our students showed a tremendous amount of school spirit in their fund-raising efforts."

After collecting donations, the students honored those contributions by taking to the basketball court during their physical education classes – playing various games and activities that promote the skills of the game.



Carmel Academy fourth-graders Liam Yechiely of Greenwich and Evan Roth of Stamford participated in the school's Hoops for Heart basketball activities. Over the past eight years, Carmel Academy has raised close to \$22,000 for the American Heart Association.

Super Helpers on Super Sunday

Friendship Circle Lends a Valuable Helping Hand

BY AVIDAN PELL

Super Sunday is always an opportunity for the community to come together to raise money for Jews at home and around the world. This year, it also served as an opportunity for United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan and Darien to be more inclusive by providing work experience for members of the Friendship Circle. For several hours during the day, Friendship Circle participants provided assistance, while adding administrative experience to their resumes.

Friendship Circle board member Brian Roitman, who volunteered alongside the participants, praised the program. "The accomplishments done on Super Sunday are a testament to our young adults' focus. It is also an example of a relatively new form of our Friendship Circle programming, in which we are periodically pairing participants with guiding volunteers for simulated or bona fide employment. I would like to acknowledge UJF's beautiful role in the truly 'super' Sunday experience for the kids – Federation couldn't have been more receptive and willing to make this



Dov Zucker

mutually beneficial."

"Inclusion of this type, and the recognition that each and every member of our community has something to contribute, is finally being recognized nationally," noted James Cohen, UJF's CEO. "In fact, the Jewish Federations of North America and the Ruderman Family Foundation are placing young adults with disabilities in internships around the country. We are delighted that UJF could provide this chance on Super Sunday and are looking for more opportunities."

Friendship Circle is looking to continue these types of projects whenever



Standing (l-r): Dov Zucker, Sarah Davidson and Miriam Sperber. Seated: Keren Roitman, Brian Roitman, Fred Springer (president of Friendship Circle) and Mark Lob.

possible. The organization recently hired a young adult with special needs who works weekly. Additionally, it has held four programs that included life skills trips and special activities. Miriam Sperber, the staff member who designs programs for adults with special needs,

will continue to reach out to people across the community in pursuit of opportunities for the Friendship Circle participants.

The Friendship Circle is a recipient agency of United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan and Darien.

Bi-Cultural Eighth-Graders Enjoy Their Israel Experience

On February 10, following the heels of a major snowstorm, Bi-Cultural Day School's eighth grade class departed for a month-long Israel Experience. Each year, the eighth-graders journey to Israel, experiencing first-hand the sights that they have studied throughout their years.

Spending a complete month in Israel and traveling throughout the countryside helps the group to understand the landscape of the country and enjoy cultural, educational and spiritual opportunities. This year, the students even experienced a record-breaking snowstorm in Jerusalem.



The Bi-Cultural eighth-grade girls prayed on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea during a morning tefillah. (Photo by Peretz Cik)



Parents waved good-bye to the departing bus as their children embarked on a month-long journey to Israel. (Photo by Lauren Canno-Frey)



The class visited the Tel Aviv corporate office of Google. (Photo by Peretz Cik)

Carmel Students Enjoy Schoolwide Snow Playdate



At Carmel Academy, students and faculty decided to embrace the winter with a schoolwide snow playdate. The snow and sunshine were considered a perfect combination for some old-fashioned fun as Carmel Academy eighth-graders enjoyed a break in the snow. L-r: Noam Chasnoff, Sophia Shapiro, Eliza Loewenberg, Josiah Gilbert, Adira Orbach, Olivia Shapiro, Carly Marinstein and Michael Palefsky.

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(L-R) James Cohen, UJF CEO, Avidan Peil, State Representative Caroline Simmons, Super Sunday Co-Chair Lisa Manheim, Sharon Franklin



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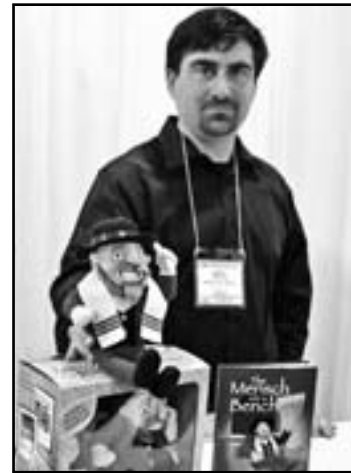
UJF Brings Chanukah Toy Creator to Stamford

BY SHARON FRANKLIN

The Rothschild Society, a business networking group of the United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan and Darien, will feature Neal Hoffman as guest speaker. The community is invited to the event, which will take place on Monday, May 4, at 6:45 pm at a Stamford location to be announced.

Hoffman, a former executive of Tonka Toys, is creator and founder of the Chanukah plush toy Mensch on a Bench. The idea was born when he was walking through a department store several years ago with his son. Hoffman's son, ironically named Jacob Maccabee Hoffman, asked for The Elf on a Shelf. Hoffman replied, "Jews don't do elves on shelves, we do mensches on benches," and thus the idea was born. Hoffman went home, wrote the book, trademarked the name and started working on a prototype.

The Mensch on a Bench is a 12" plush doll with an accompanying hardcover storybook that explains Chanukah from the view of Moshe the Mensch. Children are introduced to the story and traditions of the



Entrepreneur Neal Hoffman and his "Mensch on a Bench"

holiday, while emphasizing the fine characteristics of a mensch – a good and honorable person. The doll holds the *shammash* (leader) candle and is "magically" moved during each of the eight nights of Chanukah to watch over the menorah.

Hoffman launched the product several years ago and sold out of the thousand produced units of the Mensch in just 10 days, gaining much social media attention along the way. That spotlight of success led to Hoffman's appearance on a December 2014 episode of ABC's "Shark Tank" in the hopes of striking a deal with one of the sharks. A deal was struck with Sharks Lori Greiner and Robert Herjavec, and production and sales are expected to grow rapidly.

"As a proud Mensch on a Bench owner, I am very pleased to feature Neal Hoffman as part of our Rothschild programming and highlight this innovative and successful product. It is wonderful we have the opportunity to bring his great story to our Stamford area business leaders," says James Cohen, CEO of UJF.

Event chairs are Janet Welkovich and Hersh Bat-

kin. Thanks are given to Peter Wolly for connecting Hoffman with UJF.

For more information on the event, or to learn more about the UJF Rothschild Society, contact Sharon Franklin at sharon@ujf.org or call 203-321-1373, ext. 109.

Chabad Launches Betsy's Buddies Companionship Program for the Homebound

BY NECHAMA HORDINER

Chabad of Stamford has launched "Betsy's Buddies," a program of Chabad's Loaves of Love, in memory of Betsy Polakoff, z"l. Polakoff was a lifelong Hadassah member, and long-time volunteer and benefactor of Chabad of Stamford.

Betsy's Buddies is geared to facilitate one-on-one visitations between volunteers and home-bound members of the local community. The new companionship program will pair people with mutual values and interests in the hopes of building a mutually rewarding relationship for both the volunteers and their buddy.

"Even in a vibrant, multifaceted community like ours," says Rabbi Moshe Shemtov, director of Chabad of Stamford, "a person can become isolated for numerous reasons. We believe it can and should be different." Chabad Lubavitch of Stamford is dedicated to bringing love, optimism, Torah and *mitzvot* to every Jew in the community no matter their religious affiliation or level of observance.

Research shows how crucial social engagement and loving relationships are to keeping a person's mind, body and soul healthy, happy and vibrant. As well, through pairing "buddies," aging or home-bound community members will have the opportunity to share their life experience and wisdom. Some of the activities volunteers can expect to engage in might be taking a walk, playing a game, celebrating a holiday together, discussing current events and learning Torah. Chabad even has chicken soup available for pick-up for what is called "Chit Chat and Chicken Soup." Volunteers will commit to calling their "buddies" once a week and to visiting at least twice a month.

To become a volunteer or recommend someone who might benefit from this program, contact Nechama Hordiner at nhordiner@ganyeladim.org or 203-3CHABAD.

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Questions about the program? Contact Marcie Schoenfeld at 203-359-9148 or clissa@de-kaplan.com. For additional information, visit website <http://jhsfc-ct.org>.

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Students who affiliate with the Conservative and Reform movements were more likely to report such experiences than Orthodox students, with 69 percent of Conservative students, 62 percent of Reform students and 52 percent of Orthodox students responding that they had reported antisemitic encounters. Those who said they were always open about their Jewishness on campus were about as likely to have encountered antisemitism as those who said they were never open about their Jewishness, at 58 percent and 59 percent, respectively.

The data in the report came from the 2014 National Demographic Survey of American Jewish College Students as part of a broader series of questions. The students who took the surveys were volunteers, and the study's authors found that the students roughly matched the broader demographic outlines of other surveys of Jewish college students. What constituted an antisemitic incident was self-defined by the participants.

The findings were broadly consistent with a 2011 survey of college students in the United Kingdom, which found that 51 percent of students reported experiencing or witnessing an antisemitic incident.



Betsy Polakoff, z"l

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<p>Community Seders See Passover Seder & Program Display Ad on page 4 for details</p> <p>CHABAD First Seder: Friday, Apr 3 • Service at 6:30 pm and Seder at 7 pm Second Seder: Saturday, Apr 4 • Service at 6:30 pm and Seder at 7 pm</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE Passover Seder for Families of Children with Special Needs Friday, April 3 at 8:00 pm.</p> <p>RUSSIAN SEDER Friday, April 3, 6:30 pm and will be held at 521 Shippan Avenue</p> <p>TEMPLE SINAI Second Seder - Saturday, April 4, 5:00 pm Fee: \$45 for adults and \$18 for kids (under 13)</p> <p>JCC Tzahal Shalom Sunday, Apr 19 - Sunday, Apr 26. Meet active duty officers from the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) face to face and join us for meaningful conversations during their stay. All are welcome to attend parlor meetings and events. Visit stamfordjcc.org for full schedule and information.</p> <p>Lag B'Omer Family Celebration Open to All. Thursdays, May 7 • 4 pm at Chabad. Fun, music, games and food. Hot dogs, hamburgers with all the trimmings, plus roasted marshmallows in our madurah and more...a community celebration.</p> <p>Loaves of Love Cooking Marathon Open to All. Sunday, Apr 26 • 9:30 am-12:30 pm at Chabad House Stamford. Bake Challah and make chicken soup for the "Shabbat 2 Go" packages, a program to give to those who need it most.</p> <p>Shavuot Dairy Buffet and Ice Cream Party Open to all. Sunday, May 24 • 11 am at Chabad. Join us as we read the 10 Commandments followed by the famous Ice Cream Party & Dairy Buffet for all and special programs.</p> <p>Yom Ha'Atzmaut Community Celebration Thursday, Apr 23 • 5:30-7 pm at the JCC. Welcome the JCC Tzahal Shalom officers and celebrate Israel's independence. Together, we will feel as if we have traveled to Israel and experience the land, the people, the culture, the food, the music and all that Israel has to offer. Visit stamfordjcc.org for admission information.</p>
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BIRTH through PRESCHOOL

<p>Breakfast with Elmo 1-8 years old with parents or caregiver. Sunday, May 3 • 11am-12pm. Fee: \$12 per person (over 6 months old) if registered by April 27 / JCC members \$9. Beginning April 28, \$14 per person (over 6 months old) / JCC members \$11.</p> <p>Got Shabbat! Tiny Treasures Mommy & Me (Birth to 30 months). Fridays, 10-10:45am at Chabad. Semester 3 starts Apr 24. Feel, taste, touch, see and experience a hands-on Shabbat celebration. Caregivers welcome. Fee: \$15 per class (first timers FREE).</p> <p>Movin' and Groovin' at the JCC 12 - 30 months, with parent or caregiver. Tuesdays, Apr 14-June 16 • 10:00-10:45 am. Children will swing, spin, jump, stretch, leap, roll and climb. Rhythm, music and song aid in the development of fine and gross motor skills, listening and social skills while playing and learning. Fee: \$230 for 11 sessions / \$190 JCC members.</p> <p>Music and Movement For children birth - 30 months. For toddlers. Wednesdays, Apr 15, 29; May 13, 27 • 1:30-2:10pm at Bi-Cultural Day School with Jonathan Cahr and Rachel Bahar. Music, movement, nursery rhymes, dramatization and folk song. Join in whenever you can. FREE. For information, contact Joanne Karow, 203-329-2186 x1310 or jkarow@bcds.org.</p> <p>Music Together at the JCC Birth - 5 years with parent or caregiver. Music education program that nurtures children's natural enthusiasm for music and movement. To register, contact Music Together of Fairfield County at 203-256-1656.</p>

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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GRADES K-8

<p>Bat Mitzvah Club & BMC Beyond For Bat Mitzvah Aged girls. Sunday, Apr 26 • 6:00-7:30 pm at Chabad. Bat Mitzvah coming up? Caught up with the theme, clothing and party favors but clueless about the meaning. Do you think a Bat Mitzvah ends or begins with your party? Did you already celebrate your Bat Mitzvah and are wondering "what now?" Then this club is for you!</p> <p>Bat Mitzvah Club & BMC Beyond Mother-Daughter Tea Sunday, May 31 • 6:00-7:30 pm at Chabad. Final Bat Mitzvah club meeting of the year.</p> <p>BBYO For Grades 8-12. See description under Grades 9-12.</p> <p>Breakfast with Elmo 1-8 years old with parents or caregiver. Sunday, May 3 • 11am-12pm. See description under Birth through Pre-School.</p> <p>CKC - Chabad Kids Club Grades K-6. Wednesdays, Apr 22, 29; May 13, 20, 27 • 4-6 pm at Chabad. Hands on Chessed Club, science and cooking, weekly Torah Portion, snacks, aleph bet and Hebrew reading, Judaic homework help included - plus one-on-one tutoring option available.</p> <p>PJ Library at the JHS Judaica Library at the JCC Grades K-2. Second Tuesday of the month, Mar 10, Apr 14 • 4:00-4:45 pm Grades 3-5. Third Thursdays of the month, Mar 19, Apr 23 • 4:00-4:45 pm Monthly after-school story programs. Share holiday stories, songs, folktales and legends and great books. Parents and caregivers welcome. For information, please call Marcia Lane at (203) 321-1373, x104. Program in partnership with UJF and Jewish Historical Society of Fairfield County.</p>
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GRADES 9-12

<p>BBYO For Grades 8-12. Every 2nd Monday • 7:00-9:00 pm at The J. For information, contact BBYO Regional Office (203) 389-2127 or CVR@bbyo.org www.cvrbbyo.net. Leviticus AZA (Boys) & Tikvah BGG (Girls). Teens engaged in opportunities for leadership, athletic, social and community service.</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE For volunteers in Grades 9-12 at Chabad • At Home: Every week, pairs of teen volunteers visit special needs children in their homes offering friendship and unconditional support. • Children's / Teen Circle: 15 Sundays through the year. Volunteer to work with special needs children under the guidance of professionals. Activities include art, music, cooking and sports. • Special Events. Throughout the year for Friendship Circle volunteers and children and families they support. For further information: Malya Shmotkin at 203-329-0015 #414, Malya@friendshipct.com or www.friendshipct.com</p> <p>Jewish Student Connection For Grades 9 - 12. Tuesdays • 2:15 pm at Stamford High School. or Thursdays • 2:15 pm at Westhill High School. For information on either Tuesday or Thursday, contact rebecca@mjsc.org</p> <p>JServe, Day of Community Service for Teens Sunday, Apr 12 at the JCC. Stamford Teens will come together to serve their communities and make a difference. For information, contact Harrison Peck at 203-487-0970 or hpeck@stamfordjcc.org.</p> <p>Kuriansky Teen Tzedakah Corps For Grade 10. Meets once a month on Sundays: Apr 12 & May 17 • 6:30- 8:00 pm at The J. New for 2015-2016: In the fall of 2015, the Corps will enter a new phase. All current participants are encouraged to continue as 11th graders, and we will be adding 10-12 incoming 10th grade students. Students must be recommended by teachers or other advisors. For more information, contact Marcia Lane: (203) 321-1373 ext. 104 or Marcia@ujf.org.</p> <p>Speak Up for Israel For grades 11 and 12. Sundays, Apr 12 & May 27 • 5:00- 7:00 pm at The J. Israel gets a bad rap, especially on college campuses. Join an elite group of high school juniors and seniors and learn from experts in the field, how to respond and take action. Students enrolled will attend the AIPAC Policy Conference in March. Spaces are limited. A partnership between the JCC and UJF. For information or to nominate a teen, contact Or Berger, JCC Israeli Shalich at 203-487-0961.</p> <p>Tot Shabbat at Temple Sinai Birth - 7 years old. Friday, Apr 10 • 5:00 pm with Rabbi TelRay and Cantor Morgovsky. Free. Open to the community. Dancing, singing, praying and playing. For information, contact Temple Sinai office.</p>

UJF's Women's Philanthropy Chapter Two Day Trip

Monday, April 13

Explore the cultural significance of New York City in Jewish History.

Cost: \$45

Includes catered dairy lunch (Dietary laws observed)

Eldridge Street Synagogue

The Museum at Eldridge Street offers an intimate, authentic portal to the past for all people. Discover how the immigrant experience transformed and continues to transform communities today.

Tenement Museum

The Tenement Museum preserves and interprets the history of immigration through the personal experiences of the generations of newcomers who settled in and built lives on the Lower East Side. Pay a visit to the Levine family's garment workshop and the Rogarshevskys' Sabbath table at the turn of the 20th century, when the Lower East Side was the most densely populated place in the world.

Chairs: Sue Frieden & Sari Jaffe

Leaving the Stamford JCC at 9:15 am and returning at 5:30 pm

For information, contact Avidan@ujf.org or call (203) 653-2675



Carmel Students Receive Honors in Judaic Art Contest

BY JULIE LAPIN

Two Carmel Academy students have been selected by a panel of professional and well-acclaimed artists for top honors in a North American Judaic Art Contest.

Carmel Academy fourth-grader Naomi Seligmann won third place in the contest's mixed media and sculpture category, and sixth-grader Daniel Kesler was awarded honorable mention in the drawing and painting category. The two students were chosen from among more than 650 students representing 30 Jewish day schools across North America, said RAVSAK, a network organization of Jewish community day schools, which organized the contest.

This is the second year that Carmel students have won recognition for their artwork and participated in this program, in which RAVSAK supplies a curriculum and the students create art based on their learning. This year's theme was "journey" and the focus was on the story of Abraham embarking on a journey to the unknown after God commands him to "go forth – *lech lecha*" (Genesis 12:1-4). Through their art, the students interpreted the texts in new ways and wrote artist statements that allowed them to explore the meaning of Jewish journeys in their lives.

In art class, Carmel's third, fourth and sixth grades discussed Abraham's character, what it means to leave behind everything that is familiar and embark on a journey to discover one's destination or destiny, said Carmel art teacher Audrey Reich.

The school's sixth-graders created a "roadmap" that visually represented their own journeys toward their approaching bar/bat mitzvah year. They

drew symbols for the milestones in their lives, as well as family, friends, places and objects that are important to them. The final artwork was created using markers and watercolors, said Carmel art teacher Lori Amer. Using the same materials as the sixth grade, Carmel's fourth-graders depicted a place to which they would make an imaginative journey. Carmel's third-graders created multi-media collage/painting using fabric and tempera paint, inspired by the vision of Abraham traveling in the desert.

"The students enthusiastically embraced the theme, coming up with imaginative and insightful interpretations which triggered the powerful artworks that emerged. We are so proud of their level of thought and creativity," said Amer.

"The RAVSAK Judaic Art Contest not only helps students develop their artistic expression, but reinforces the links between creativity and Jewish tradition. By interpreting texts and creating visually stunning works that relate the words and narratives to their own experience and understanding, participants gain a meaningful appreciation for Judaism and develop a deeper sense of Jewish literacy," said Dr. Marc N. Kramer, executive director of RAVSAK.

The contest submissions were judged by nine artists, including Bill Aron, a photographer and chronicler of Jewish communities; Ellen Alt, a mixed-media artist and art educator; Vivien Ressler, a multi-disciplinary artist; and Pam Stein, an artist, art advocate and editor.

The winners have their artwork highlighted on the RAVSAK website (www.ravsak.org) and in the journal HaYidion.

Carmel Academy is a recipient agency of United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan and Darien.



Carmel Academy third-grader Naomi Seligmann and sixth-grader Daniel Kesler held their artwork, which received top honors in the RAVSAK North American Judaic Art Contest.

Carmel Academy Annual Reunion



Above: Carmel Academy's alumni and their families gathered together at the school's sixth annual reunion. Every graduated class was represented at the reunion, which was held at the home of Head of School Nora Anderson. Carmel's former students reconnected, shared recent college acceptances and high school achievements, and reminisced about their Carmel Academy experience. L-r: Carmel Academy alumni Alyssa Ginsburg, Max Fern, Eliana Safer, Duda Voldman and Isabele Cohen gathered at the school's annual alumni reunion.



At right: Carmel Academy alumni Jenya Perr-Krisenko and Julie Gelpke-Rosenberg.

Bi-Cultural Pre-K Celebrates Tu B'Shevat

The pre-kindergarten class of Bi-Cultural Day School celebrated the holiday of Tu B'Shevat with a winter performance and concert for families and teachers. Blending songs about winter, weather and the seasons with songs inspired by the holiday of Tu

B'Shevat, the young performers learned and performed songs and music in both English and Hebrew. Combining music and movement, the concert is another method of teaching young learners literacy through rhythm and music.



The entire Bi-Cultural pre-kindergarten class performed at the Pre-K Winter Tu B'Shevat Extravaganza. (Photo by Lauren Canno-Frey)

JFS College Ahead!

BY LYNN SALTZ

Jewish Family Service, together with the Stamford Jewish Community Center, will gather college admissions deans at the Stamford JCC on Tuesday, April 14, at 7:30 pm, to present the annual College Ahead! program to area high school

students and their parents. Everyone in the Greater Fairfield County community is invited to attend at no cost.

The admissions deans scheduled to appear are Richard Zeiser, dean of admissions at the University of Hartford, West Hartford, CT; Monica Inzer, dean of admissions at Hamilton College, Hamilton, NY; David Phillips, vice provost admissions and financial aid at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD; and James Skiff, director of college admissions at Drew University, Madison, NJ. Claire Friedlander, JFS college consultant, will be moderating the panel. In addition to providing the audience with information about their institutions, including Jewish life on campus, each panelist will be prepared to speak about college admissions issues from a national perspective.

Topics of current and traditional interest are usually discussed by the participants. First on the list for 2015 will be the changing format of SAT testing and its effect on test-taking strategies facing the



Richard Zeiser



Monica Inzer



David Phillips



James Skiff

upcoming group of applicants. Hearing more from the admissions offices about the increase in fees and tuition over the last several years should be helpful to those thinking ahead in preparing to tackle the costs of college. Additional topics to be covered will include the importance of visiting colleges and universities and what to bring with you; reaching out to colleges at local fairs or nearby receptions; and preparation to sign up to receive information and applications.

The program will conclude at 9 pm. Refreshments will be served. A broad range of information and materials will be available. For more information, contact Friedlander at 203-921-4161 or e-mail clairef@ctjfs.org.

Lynn Saltz is the JFS marketing and communications coordinator.

Jewish Family Service is a recipient agency of United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan and Darien.

Kids Night Out with Friendship Circle

BY FAYGIE LEVY

"What's better than a Saturday night out on the town?" asked Friendship Circle staff. "A night on the town with friends, food and fun, which is just how a group of children from the Friendship Circle and their siblings recently spent their Saturday evening."

Called "Kids Night Out," the program gave children with special needs, their siblings and teen volunteers a chance to spend some time together. It also provided respite time for parents.

"We saw that some parents of kids with special needs never have a chance to get out and do things alone," Friendship Circle program coordinator Chanie Teldon explained. "They don't feel like they can leave their kids with just anyone, so we created this program and gave them a chance to drop off all of their kids and do their own thing for a few hours."

But it was the kids who seemed to make the most of their evening out.

The night began with a musical recitation of *Havdalah* to mark the end of Shabbat, followed by a pizza dinner from Mike's Café. Then it was time for the main attraction: a trip to the indoor inflatable center, Pump It Up in Norwalk, "where the fun and laughter were contagious," said Friendship Circle staff.

One could hear the squeals of delight echoing through the building as the youngsters got a chance to climb the rock wall, bounce on inflatables and dive into a ball pit.

"Kids Night Out was really fun! I love these events because they're a nice change of pace from the routine Children's Circle [program], as they allow for a different type of bonding," says Friendship Circle volunteer Mira Schildkraut.

"Additionally, at Kids Night Out, I was with a child I had never worked with before," the 17-year-old continued. "I love that I get to form special relationships by working with the same child at Children's Circle, but it's nice getting to know other children, too."

Though this wasn't the first time the Friendship Circle in Stamford has held "Kids Night Out," one thing was different this time; this year's participants included a group of sixth-graders who take part in the group's volunteer-in-training MVP program.

Explaining why she chose to volunteer for "Kids Night Out" when many teens would have other plans for a Saturday night, Schildkraut said, "The parents of the children make me feel important, special and purposeful – and, as a teenager who can easily feel very small in a big world, that has been more valuable than I can put into words. Sure, I have other things I could be doing on Saturday night, but these parents deserve any type of rest they can get – and how could I pass up an opportunity to make that happen?"

She went on to say, "I feel a strong moral obligation to contribute to such a meaningful organization, and



Ashley Shapiro, Hillary Greenwald and Natalie Schlover posed for a quick shot before getting back to the inflatables.

I only hope that I can give as much to the organization as it has given to me."

For more information, e-mail Malya@FriendshipCT.com.

The Friendship Circle is a recipient agency of United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan and Darien.

Couples Date Night Chopped!

Couples gathered for an evening of cooking competition at Chabad. The event was chaired by Jesse and David Brand, and Raph and Lori Gilbert. Linda Spilka served as master of ceremonies.

Each couple spent 45 minutes creating either an appetizer, side dish, main dish or dessert, which was then presented to a panel of judges – a chef, a psychologist and a rabbi – and enjoyed by the entire group.

The winners were: starter – David and Jessie Brand; salad – Oren and Elise Klein; main course – Dorine and David Tays; starch side – Reb Dovid and Nechama Hordiner; veggie side – Inna Novikova and Chris; dessert – Stephanie and Perry Friedman; and best apron – Marcia and Mark Braunstein.

Prizes included gift cards to Soosh, Six Thirteen and Lord and Taylor, and bottles of scotch and vodka.



Linda Spilka, master of ceremonies



Sam and Rachel Maryles discussed their selections.



In front (L-r): Marc Nerenberg, Gordon Cooper and David Fogel

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Scandinavian Jews See Silver Lining

Muslim Response to Denmark Shootings

BY CNAAN LIPSHIZ

(JTA) – As a longtime promoter of Jewish-Muslim dialogue in Denmark, Naveed Baig is no stranger to Copenhagen's Great Synagogue.

The imam at the capital's Danish Islamic Center, Baig, 39, has on numerous occasions sat under the structure's gold-and-white ceiling meeting with people he calls his "Jewish brethren" to discuss issues of common concern.

On February 16, Baig was back at the synagogue to express solidarity with the Jewish community following the slaying of a Jewish volunteer guard by a Muslim extremist outside the building early February 15.

But this time, Baig was not alone. He was part of a march by tens of thousands of Danes, including countless Muslims, who were shocked by an attack seen as underscoring the growing threat of antisemitic violence in the region.

"The attacks were on every Jew, every Muslim, every Christian and every person," Baig said. "That is what we from the Muslim community came to say."

The vigorous response to this latest attack on Jews in Europe has inspired hope among both Jewish and Muslim leaders that a renewed determination



Thousands attended a solidarity march at Copenhagen's Great Synagogue following the slaying of a Jewish volunteer guard outside the building on February 15.

is emerging to confront the proliferation of religious hatred.

In Norway and Sweden, Muslim religious leaders have spoken out in defense of Jews more loudly than they have after previous attacks. In Oslo, Muslim activists are planning to create a human chain of peace and solidarity

around the city's main synagogue.

In Copenhagen, dozens of imams representing nearly all the local Islamic communities visited the synagogue on February 16 as part of a coordinated show of unity between the Jewish community and Copenhagen's largest mosque. On February 18, thousands attended the funeral of the Jewish guard, Dan Uzan, who was watching over a bat mitzvah celebration along with two Danish policemen, both of whom sustained serious injuries in the shooting.

Among the funeral attendees was Prime Minister Helle Thorning-Schmidt, whose government pledged approximately \$153 million toward a new counter-terrorism plan, a move which Jewish community officials expect will end years of haggling over reimbursement for the community's considerable security costs.

"The response of Danish society has been fantastic," said Bent Lexner, the country's former chief rabbi.

"Unfortunately, much of the antisemitism in Denmark comes from some of our Muslim brothers, so moderate Danish Muslims' vocal rejection of such hate is especially important," he added.

Uzan's funeral was one of hundreds of vigils and commemorations held across Denmark after the violence February 15, which also claimed the life of Finn Nørgaard, 55, a Danish film director attending a talk by a cartoonist who had been under police protection for having lampooned Islam.

The perpetrator of both attacks, Omar Abdel Hamid El-Husseini, 22, was born in Denmark to Palestinian parents and was reportedly radicalized while serving a prison sentence for a previous act of violence. El-Husseini was killed in a shootout with police hours after the attacks, when he opened fire as they approached him for questioning.

In the days that followed, Muslim leaders across Scandinavia expressed solidarity with the Jewish community in a series of moves that Jewish leaders in the

region say are unprecedented and well beyond anything that followed the slaying last month of four Jews in Paris.

In Norway, more than 1,000 Facebook users said they would participate in the Muslim-led initiative to form a protective human chain that was held on February 21.

"This is definitely among the most impressive responses to the attack," Ervin Kohn, president of the Jewish Community in Oslo, said of the initiative. "I think it can change the dynamics of interfaith dialogue in Norway and maybe beyond."

"The threat is dawning on people from the Muslim community here," said Lena Posner-Korosi, the president of the Council of Swedish Jewish Communities. "The attack hit closer to home than ever before and it's a wake-up."

For Elvir Gigovic, the chairman of the Swedish Muslim Council, expressing support for Jews is partly about returning a favor. His community remembers how Swedish Jews spoke out vocally in condemnation of a string of arson attacks on Swedish mosques late last year, which were attributed by Muslim activists and anti-racism watchdogs to far-right radicals.

"So when the Jews are attacked in the name of Islam and Muslims, it is important that we Muslims show solidarity with the Jews," Gigovic added. "There are many Muslims who see their vulnerability and will do our utmost to safeguard their freedom."

Gigovic, a refugee from the Balkan wars who says he "can directly relate" to the trauma of Jewish Holocaust survivors, said Scandinavian societies must reject hate to avoid becoming secondary victims of the Copenhagen attacks.

But suspicion runs deep on a continent where, according to several sources, hundreds of young Muslims have received combat training in Syria or Iraq and where attacks on Jewish communities seem to follow every new round of Arab-Israeli violence.

Baig, the Danish imam, said he is sometimes criticized for his interfaith initiatives by colleagues. In a sermon delivered just two days before the Copenhagen shootings, Hajj Saeed of the city's Al Faruq Mosque called interfaith encounters with Jews a "malignant idea" and praised the Prophet Mohammed's "waging war against the Jews."

Kenneth Sikorski, a non-Jewish pro-Israel activist from Finland, called the condolences offered to Jews by at least one prominent Danish imam, Jihad al-Farra, "crocodile tears" because that imam has endorsed the Muslim Brotherhood and Yusuf al-Qaradawi, a controversial Egyptian cleric barred from England and France on account of his views.

But Gigovic, the Swedish Muslim leader, remains hopeful that Scandinavian societies "can emerge stronger from this, continue the started dialogue, strengthen and support each other."

Autistic Brains Go Their Own Way

BY WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE

Autism spectrum disorder has been studied for many years, but there are still more questions than answers. For example, some research into the brain functions of individuals on the autism spectrum have found a lack of synchronization between different parts of the brain that normally work in tandem. But other studies have found the exact opposite – over-synchronization in the brains of those with ASD. A new study by Avital Hahamy and Prof. Rafi Malach of the Weizmann Institute's Department of Neurobiology, working with Prof. Marlene Behrmann of Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, recently published in *Nature Neuroscience*, suggests that the various reports – of both over- and under-connectivity – may, in fact, reflect a deeper principle.

To investigate the issue of connectivity in ASD, the researchers analyzed data obtained from func-

tional magnetic resonance imaging (or fMRI) studies conducted while the participants were at rest. These had been collected from a large number of participants at multiple sites and handily assembled in the Autism Brain Imaging Data Exchange (or ABIDE) database. "Resting-state brain studies are important," says Hahamy, "because that is when patterns emerge spontaneously, allowing us to see how various brain areas naturally connect and synchronize their activity." A number of previous studies in Malach's group and others suggest that these spontaneous patterns may provide a window into individual behavioral traits, including those that stray from the norm.

In a careful comparison of the details of these intricate synchronization patterns, the researchers discovered an intriguing difference between the control and ASD groups: The control participants' brains had substantially similar connectivity profiles across different individuals, whereas those with ASD showed a remarkably different phenomenon. These tended to display much more unique patterns – each in its own, individual way. The researchers realized that the synchronization patterns seen in the control group were "conformist" relative to those in the ASD group, which they termed "idiosyncratic."

The researchers offer a possible explanation for differences between the synchronization patterns in the autism and control groups: They might be a product of the ways in which individuals in the two groups interact and communicate with their environment. Hahamy: "From a young age, the average, typical person's brain networks get molded by intensive interaction with people and the mutual environmental factors. Such shared experiences could tend to make the synchronization patterns in the control group's resting brains more similar to each other. It is possible that in ASD, as interactions with the environment are disrupted, each one develops a more uniquely individualistic brain organization pattern."

The researchers emphasize that this explanation is only tentative; much more research will be needed to fully uncover the range of factors that may lead to ASD-related idiosyncrasies. They also suggest that further research into how and when different individuals establish particular brain patterns could help in the future development of early diagnosis and treatment for autism disorders.

Thinking Locally

BY WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE

Peru's Ministry of Education recently announced that it will be adopting the Blue Planet educational program, which was developed at the Weizmann Institute of Science, into its schools' curricula. Blue Planet, which takes a hands-on approach to learning about the water cycles on our planet, has been recognized by UNESCO as a model program for environmental education. The project's developer, Prof. Nir Orion of the Institute's Department of Science Teaching, was recently in Peru leading a workshop for teachers.

"Learning is a natural process," says Orion, "an instinct that almost all animals are born with. But like all instincts, it only comes into play when it is needed. Many children do not learn well in school because it is a system that is created to meet the needs of the system itself, and not those of the child." Orion believes that the learning instinct might be reawakened by creating a connection between the student's world and the subject matter. Thus, his approach to teaching involves, among other things, an exploration of both the

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Fairfield County Jewish community is an inspiration and a role model for others. I can think of no more worthy recipients of this recognition than Amy and Henry."

For more information about Temple Sinai's Annual Gala, or to place a tribute in honor of the Bubels, contact Shelly Welfeld at Temple Sinai at 203-322-1649 or assistant@templesinaistamford.org.

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of opinions in the press and from various other sectors suggested the need for a clarification of Jewish values, and how they pertain to military operations. The JPPI is considered an influential voice within the Israeli government, writing policy papers that become part of the process in determining official government policy in various areas.

Rosner is a Tel Aviv based think-tank fellow, columnist and editor. He is a senior fellow at the JPPI and a contributing opinion writer for *The International New York Times*. Rosner is the senior political editor for the *Jewish Journal* and a columnist for Israel's *Maaariv*. He has been a columnist for *The Jerusalem Post* (2008-2011), chief U.S. correspondent, head of the news division and head of the Features Division for the Israeli daily *Haaretz* (1996-2008), and a contributor to numerous magazines, including *Slate*, *Foreign Policy*, *Commentary*, *The New Republic*, *The Jewish Review of Books* and others.

"I am delighted that UJF is bringing this program to Stamford," noted James Cohen, UJF CEO. "While JPPI is conducting the session in several cities, Stamford is the only city of our size to be included."

The Israel/Diaspora Dialogue will be held in the Adult Lounge of the JCC from 10:30 am-12:30 pm. The \$10 ticket includes a light brunch. Reservations are required and space is limited. All people reserving will receive background information to prepare for the conversation. For reservations, contact Marcia Lane at marcia@ujf.org or 203-321-1373, ext. 104.

Loaves of Love

BY TALY FARBER

At the start of every week, Leah Shemtov, of Chabad of Stamford, and her staff begin to think about who might need a "Loaves of Love" package to be delivered on Friday before Shabbat. On average, four-six packages are delivered by volunteers each week to new moms, *shiva* homes, people new to town, people in crisis or anyone who could use a "taste of Shabbat." The package includes freshly baked challahs, grape juice and soup.

"We feel privileged to give people a home-cooked taste of Shabbat, and let them feel connected to the community and to know that they are not alone," says Shemtov.

All the challahs and soups are made in advance during Chabad's "Loaves of Love" Cooking Marathons, which are spread throughout the year. They are generally held six times a year, are open to all, and are sometimes themed for 20s and 30s or bat mitzvah aged girls. Participants, young or old, are put to work making in *Loaves of Love* bags each Friday. challah dough, shaping the challahs, or peeling vegetables and helping to make the soup.

"The feeling of comradeship and connectedness at these cooking marathons is so amazing to see, as people come together to cook. You get a real sense of community," adds Shemtov. "It's these packages of Loaves of Love" that help extend the sense of community that Chabad Stamford works so hard to achieve."

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Home-made chicken soup and challah are packed with grape juice for delivery in Loaves of Love bags each Friday.

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Rachel Haron, director of secular studies at Bi-Cultural Day School, commented, "It is so meaningful to hear directly from the survivors, and to know that their story is passed on to their grandchildren."

The tables will have seder plates made by Carmel Academy and Bi-Cultural Day School children with Holocaust-appropriate symbols. These will be explained through the reading of the Yom Hashoah haggadah prepared especially for this evening.

Members of the community will be chosen to read passages from the haggadah as well as other Yom Hashoah readings, in addition to appropriate prayers. A musical program is being prepared by Cantors Magda Fishman of Temple Beth El and Micah Morgovsky of Temple Sinai who are working with school-age students

from the synagogues and day schools. Seventh- and eighth-grade students will participate in a series of readings prepared by Lisa Gitelman Udi (education director at Temple Beth El), Rachel Haron and Jackie Herman (head of school at Bi-Cultural Day School).

Religious leaders from the community will be in attendance and will participate in the closing ceremony.

The Yom Hashoah Committee would like to honor all survivors who are living in the local area that evening and hope that they will join in the lighting of the six memorial candles in memory of the six million. Anyone who is a survivor, or who knows a survivor in the area, or who wishes to work on the committee for Yom Hashoah should contact Marcia Lane at 203-321-1373, ext. 104, or Marcia@ujf.org.

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April & May 2015

What's On for Adults

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<p>Advancing Health & Medicine in Israel • Trauma Care Tues., May 12 • 7:00 pm. Location TBA. Sponsored by Hadassah & UJF Maimonides Affinity Program.</p>
<p>An Evening with JFS Sunday, May 3. JFS will honor the 36th Annual Mitzvah Awards and 7th Annual Auction at TBE. To donate auction items or attend the evening, please contact Iris Morrison at 203-921-4161 or imorrison@ctjfs.org.</p>
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<p>Birds of Israel and Birds in Your Backyard Sunday, May 3 • 10:30 am (10 am nosh) with Dr. Michelle Frankel at The Audubon Society Greenwich. Hear about bird migration and conservation in Israel as well as here. What people can do in their own backyards to make a difference to birds and to the environment. After her presentation, take a guided bird and wild life walk. Program co-sponsored by the Jewish Historical Society of Fairfield County and The Audubon Society Greenwich.</p>
<p>Book Club with Hadassah Wednesday, Apr. 22 • 7:15 pm. In the Courtyard of the Kabbalist by Ruchama King Feuerman. Sponsored by Hadassah. For information, contact Rhonda Greif at rhonda.greif@gmail.com or 203-829-9341.</p>
<p>Book Talks – Jewish Historical Society Nadine Gordimer (1923-2014) Wednesday, Apr. 15 • 10 am at the JCC. Presenter: Dr. Judith Katz. Remembering the literature of Nadine Gordimer, Nobel Laureate and anti-apartheid activist with a comparison of <i>The Lying Days</i> (1953) written at the start of her career with <i>The Pickup</i> (2001). For further information, contact Marcie (203) 359-9148. FREE.</p>
<p>Book Talks - The Sisters Weiss by Naomi Ragen Wed., May 13 • 2 pm at Ferguson Library (Harry Bennett Branch). Presenter: Dr. Sandra Melzer. The story of two ultra-orthodox sisters who make different life-style choices and ultimately face the consequences of their action. For information, contact Marcie (203) 359-9148. FREE.</p>
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<p>Fashion Show at Temple Beth El Thursday, Apr. 30 • 7 pm. Cost \$25 per person. Enjoy fun and lively fashion show featuring Chico's of Stamford. TBE members will model spring and summer fashions. Delicious food and drink, giveaways, raffles and much more. All teen and adult women are welcome. You can reserve seats to sit with your friends or a table (seating up to 10)! Sponsored by Temple Beth El Sisterhood. For information: sisterhood@tbe.org or Beth Silver at 203-249-7046.</p>
<p>Games & Gab at the J Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1-3 pm. Bring your game of choice - bridge, Scrabble, canasta and more. For information, contact Connie Cirillo Freeman at 203-487-0983 or cfreeman@stamfordjcc.org. All are welcome. FREE.</p>
<p>Israeli Film Series - "Out in the Dark" Thursday, May 21 • 7 pm at the JCC. Fee: \$5 suggested donation. Award winning films direct from Israel show Israel through the lens of a movie camera. Meaningful discussion to follow. To register or for more information, contact Or Berger at 203-487-0961 or oberger@stamfordjcc.org.</p>
<p>Israel Folk Dancing Connect with Israel while reaping the mental and physical benefits of dance. Light, Kosher refreshments. For other locations and schedule, go to www.ctsraeidance.com.</p>
<p>JCC Tzahal Shalom Sunday, Apr. 19-Sunday, Apr. 26. Meet active duty officers from the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) face-to-face and join for meaningful conversations during their stay. All are welcome to attend parlor meetings and events. Visit stamfordjcc.org for full schedule and information.</p>
<p>JCC Tzahal Shalom Parlor Meeting Tuesday, Apr. 21 • 7:30 pm at a private home. Meet the Officers. Sponsored by Stamford Chapter of Hadassah.</p>
<p>Jewish Historical Society Hosts Tzahal Shalom Monday, Apr 20 • 3:30-5 pm at the Ferguson Library (Harry Bennett Branch). Meet the men and women of the IDF.</p>
<p>Jewish Historical Society 30th Anniversary Celebration Sunday, June 7 • 4:00-6:00 pm at Temple Beth El.</p>
<p>Next Year, Jerusalem (Independent Documentary Film) Sunday, Apr. 26 • 1:30 pm at Temple Shalom, 259 Richards Avenue, Norwalk. Hear from some of the residents and staff who made this amazing trip. Program co-sponsored by the Jewish Historical Society of Fairfield County, the Jewish Senior Services of Fairfield County and Temple Shalom, Norwalk.</p>
<p>Jewish Values: Where the Rubber Hits the Road Sundays, Apr. 5 • 9:45-11 am with Rabbi Jay TelRav. "Honor our Father and Mother" but what about when they are abusive? Everybody cheats on their taxes, don't they? Those little soap bars are mine to take home from the hotel, aren't they? From the profound to the mundane, life presents choices every day. Torah tells us to "do good" but it isn't always so clear what that means. We'll use real-world examples to examine what our tradition has to say. Fee: \$18 / No fee for Temple members.</p>

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<p>Judaic Needlework: The Kesher Chapter of the Pomegranate Guild of Judaic Needlework Sunday, Apr. 12, May 10 • 10 am-12 pm at the J. Meetings are a rich blend of needlework, culture, tradition and religious practices as they relate to Judaic textiles. The Guild recognizes this tradition and encourages membership, beginner and professional, women and men alike. For more information, email kesherpg@gmail.com or visit pomegranateguild.org.</p>
<p>Lunch and Learn at Chabad Open for Men and Women. Monthly. Wednesdays, Apr. 22 & May 27 • 11:30-12:45 pm at conference room at Chabad House. \$10 per class. Fresh lunch, friends- new and old- and some Torah learning together with Leah Shemtov.</p>
<p>Lunch & Learn with Or Berger, JCC Israeli Shaliach Thursdays, Apr. 16 & May 14 • Noon- 1 pm at the JCC. Topics and current events related to Israel. Open to everyone. Bring lunch and JCC will supply a dairy dessert. For information: contact Or Berger at 203-487-0961 or oberger@stamfordjcc.org.</p>
<p>2015 Lunch & Learn Lecture Series at UConn Thursdays, Apr. 16, 23, 30; May 14 • Noon – 1:30 pm in the MPR (Room 1.08) at UConn, Stamford. Open to everyone. Cost: \$50 for the entire series (including lunch); free for local educators and students. See complete listing under "Happenings for Senior Adults."</p>
<p>Mah Jongg at the J Thursdays, 1-3 pm. Fee: \$35 for 5 sessions / JCC members \$25. All levels welcome. Bring a 2015 National Mah Jongg League card. To register, to schedule lessons or for more information, contact Connie Cirillo Freeman at 203-487-0983 or cfreeman@stamfordjcc.org.</p>
<p>Mah Jongg at Temple Sinai Mondays • 6:30-9 pm. FREE. Bring your own mah jongg card. For information or if you are new to mah jongg, call the Temple office at 203-322-1649.</p>
<p>Mah Jongg Tournament - 3rd Annual Sylvia Plotkin Memorial Tournament Wednesday, Apr. 29 • 9:30 am at the JCC. Friendly competition, serious fun. All levels are welcome or join a bridge, canasta or Scrabble game. For reservations and information, contact Connie Cirillo Freeman at 203-487-0983 or cfreeman@stamfordjcc.org.</p>
<p>Meditation as a Path to Mindful Living Sundays, Apr. 19 & 26 • 10 am and taught by Dr. Wynd Harris. Discuss and practice meditation and connect to the life force within and around us through mindfulness meditation, concentration meditation, and walking meditation among others to help us find ways to center ourselves. No previous experience required, just an openness of heart and mind. Fee: \$18 / No fee for Temple members. For more information, call the Temple office at 203-322-1649.</p>
<p>Neshama Yoga at the JCC Fridays, through June 19 (no class 5/22) • 9:00-10:30 am. Fee: \$189 for 9 sessions / \$162 JCC members. A fusion of Kundalini Yoga and Jewish spirituality. Led by Jackie Tepper Robinov.</p>
<p>Speak Up for Israel for Adults Monthly, Monday, Apr. 27 & May 18 • 7-8:30 pm at the J. Free. All welcome. Learn the history and complexities surrounding Israel, past and present. All levels of knowledge are welcome. Hear from guest speakers from AIPAC, ADL and other organizations and engage in deep meaningful discussions. Led by Or Berger, JCC Israeli Shaliach. JCC program in partnership with UJF. For information or to register: Nancy Schiffman at 203-487—0941 or nschiffman@stamfordjcc.org.</p>
<p>Torah and Tea at Chabad For Men and Women. Tuesdays • 11 am-12pm at Chabad Loft Café. Fee: \$5.00 per class. For information: Leah Shemtov at 203-324-2223 or morahleah@chabadstamford.org</p>
<p>UConn Judaic Studies: To register for the 2014 Lunch & Learn Lecture Series, the annual conference, or for more information about these or other programs of the Center for Judaic & Middle Eastern Studies, please contact the Center at stamfordjudaicstudies@uconn.edu or (203) 251-9525.</p>
<p>Fall College Courses Open to Senior Adults The Center will also offer a large selection of credit courses this fall, beginning Aug 25 that are available for seniors (age 62 and older) to audit.</p>
<p>Yom Ha'Atzmaut Community Celebration Thursday, Apr. 23 • 5:30-7 pm at the JCC. Welcome the JCC Tzahal Shalom officers and celebrate Israel's independence. Together, we will feel as if we have traveled to Israel and experience the land, the people, the culture, the food, the music and all that Israel has to offer. Visit stamfordjcc.org for admission information.</p>

FOR WOMEN

<p>Conquering Depression...Navigating Around the Pressures of Social Media Tuesday, Apr. 14 • Time TBD. Location JCC with Pamela Tinkham, MSW, LCSW. FREE. Please contact Pamela Tinkham MSW, LCSW for more information: pamelatinkham@gmail.com, www.YogaPsychHealth.com. Free of charge. Contact Connie Cirillo Freeman, cfreeman@stamfordjcc.org, 203-487-0983.</p>
<p>Hadassah Book Club - April Wednesday, Apr. 22 • 7:15 pm. Location TBD. "In the Courtyard of the Kabbalist" by Ruchama King. For information or RSVP: Rhonda Greif at Rhonda.greif@gmail.com or 203-829-9341.</p>
<p>JWC Rosh Chodesh Learning – Women and the Moon Part 2 Mon., Apr. 20 • 8 pm at the home of Tanya Barton-Radin. Rosh Chodesh has long been considered a special holiday for women. Bring in the new month with us with an inspiring & interesting class!</p>
<p>JWC Mega Event Jewish Cuisine from Around the World. Wednesday, May 6 • 6 pm</p>
<p>Spring Luncheon & Boutique Monday, May 4 at The Waterview, Monroe, CT. Featuring Celebrity Chef Fabio Viviani. Fee: \$118-\$250. For information, call 203-365-6407 or jcarroll@jseniors.org. Sponsored by Jewish Senior Services Women's Auxiliary.</p>

FOR MEN

<p>Tefillin Club Every Sunday • 8-9 am at Chabad. For men and kids. Wrap Tefillin, say Shema, share some words of Torah and inspiration and bond over bagels and lox breakfast.</p>
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Arab, Jewish Teens Shoot for the Moon

BY ABIGAIL KLEIN LEICHMAN
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Asaf Brimer spent 25 years in the Israeli Air Force and aerospace sector before an idea came into his mind like a shooting star across the horizon: He would bring Israeli Arab and Jewish students together through a collaborative research center focused on outer space.



Moona courses attract an equal number of Arab and Jewish teens in the Galilee.

Moona – a Space for Change officially opened in September last year in Majd Al-Kurum, a Muslim village 10 miles east of Acre (Akko) in the Western Galilee. So far, it has attracted about 100 high school students – roughly a 50-50 split between Jewish and Muslim teens – for weekly courses in robotics, drones, 3D printing, electronics and other technologies related to outer-space exploration. Families from the area also are welcome at Moona.

“Moona” means “wish” in Arabic and sounds like “moon” in English, while in Hebrew “emoona” means “faith.”

Brimer tells Israel21c that he and his founding partner, Hussein Tarabeih, the Muslim head of Towns Association for Environmental Quality, wanted to connect Arab and Jewish citizens of the Galilee to one another and to the academic institutions and businesses of the region.

“I started it because the separation in our society is the biggest challenge for Israel, and I decided that my children will be better off if society is more open,” Brimer says. “We lose a lot of advantages because we don’t have opportunities to meet each other, and

[Arab children] have few opportunities in high-tech.”

These goals meshed with those of Israeli industrialist and philanthropist Stef Wertheimer, who has initiated several projects to enhance the job prospects of Arab-Israeli citizens of the Galilee, such as the Nazareth Industrial Park established in 2010. Wertheimer provided both funds and equipment for Moona, and his son Oren heads its Board of Directors, which is also evenly split between Arabs and Jews. Additional investment came from a crowd-funding campaign, private individuals and foundations, the Israeli

government and the Galilee municipalities of Karmiel and Misgav.

Wertheimer and former Israeli President Shimon Peres were on hand for Moona’s grand opening. Two years previously, the hub-to-be got a surprise boost from NASA Administrator Charles Bolden Jr. Bolden was in Israel in January 2013 for the 10th commemoration of the Space Shuttle Columbia tragedy that took the life of Israeli astronaut Ilan Ramon. Brimer had been in touch with friends at NASA to announce his intention to open a technology hub “that is going to change society,” and word made its

way up to Bolden. As soon as Brimer confirmed that Bolden was planning to come to the Galilee to meet with teens involved in the planning of Moona, he arranged for the students to stage a science fair in the town of Sakhnin for the NASA visitors.

During Bolden’s visit, he encouraged the teens to let go of historical enmity and work together on space research, just as the United States and Russia managed to do. “At one time, the United States and the Soviet Union were the bitterest of enemies,” he told them. “But we’ve got to be willing to forgive people. And that’s hard work.”

Brimer and Tarabeih don’t like to dwell on the bi-cultural aspect of Moona. “We don’t need to talk about Arabs and Jews; we’re just doing things that need to get done,” says Brimer. “And we are welcomed because the need is big.”

He explains that they chose to focus on outer space because they believe the combination of exploration and technology is attractive to many teens. And they hope it will stimulate interest in higher education in the sciences among women, especially those from Arab families in the area Moona serves.

“I see myself wearing that white lab coat, doing research and doing things that females couldn’t do before,” says Arab-Israeli participant Shada Miari on a promotional video for the innovation lab.

The project also has the backing of SpaceIL, a national movement of volunteers, academics, business leaders and industry experts working toward landing an Israeli satellite on the moon and raising the level of technology education in Israeli schools. “I welcome and support Moona’s establishment with great enthusiasm,” said SpaceIL Chairman Yanki Margalit. “There is a real shortage in technology education and a thriving high-tech industry in the northern Galilee region. In the near future, SpaceIL will collaborate with Moona and utilize the new lab for our collaborative educational programs. Their success is our success, in realizing SpaceIL’s educational vision.”

In Brimer’s vision, there are no divisions between peoples. “From outer space, everyone looks the same,” he says.

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natural and human environments that exist beyond the walls of the classroom. Lessons learned this way, which have some significance for the student, will be internalized and thus “truly learned.”

Although the basic principles of the Blue Planet program remain constant, the change of location means that Orion goes out to survey each region, constructing a local narrative to guide the lesson plan. His “working files” tell the stories of Argentina, Chile, the U.S., India, Portugal and, of course, Israel.

In Peru, for example, he found that, even though the country receives a large amount of rainfall, the perception is that the region suffers from a water shortage. So the workshop focused, among other things, on the topic of drainage basins in populated areas. The Blue Planet approach is a part of the science curriculum “thinking science – understanding environment.”

Orion’s approach includes both in-classroom and out-of-classroom learning. “Some things cannot be taught in a deep way within the classroom,” he

says. “When we use the outside environment properly, curiosity and interest arise. That is when the student starts to ask questions.”

The ultimate goal is to give the students the tools to think analytically, to take in their field and lab observations and arrive at conclusions, and to present their findings to others. “If they gain the ability to integrate data, process it logically to arrive at knowledge, and present this knowledge orally and in writing,” says Orion, “they will be set for life.”

April & May 2015 Happenings for Senior Adults

The J (JCC) Social Senior Program

Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays at The J (JCC). FOR MORE INFORMATION OR RESERVATIONS ON ANY SENIOR PROGRAMMING, CONTACT Connie Cirillo Freeman at 203-487-0983 or cfreeman@stamfordjcc.org
Tuesday through Friday. Programs vary by day of the week. All welcome. Transportation available for Stamford residents.

AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE
Wednesdays, Apr 1 & Jun 3 from 8:30 am - 1 pm at the JCC. Reservations required. AARP members \$15 / All others \$20.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING
Tuesday, Apr 7 & May 5 from 9:45-11:15 am. No appointment necessary. **FREE.**

CHAIR EXERCISE FOR SENIORS
Tuesdays & Thursdays through June 18 from 10:15-11 am at the JCC. Energetic chair exercise class using weights and balls. **FREE** to all Seniors.

GAMES & GAB at the J
Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1- 3 pm. Bring your game of choice - bridge, Scrabble, canasta and more. **FREE.**

HOLIDAY LUNCHEONS - Mother’s Day Luncheon
Thursday, May 7 • 11:30am-1pm. Lunch and live entertainment. **FREE** to all seniors. Reservations required by Thursday, Apr 30. Sponsored by Caryl and Peter Poser in memory of Peter’s mother, Jacqueline.

HOT KOSHER LUNCH for older adults (60+)
Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays from 12-1 pm at The J. Suggested donation: \$3 for lunch and \$1 each way for transportation. Reservations are required for both lunch and transportation. Lunch reservations: call Tuesday by noon for Thursday and Friday lunches. Call Friday by noon for Tuesday lunch. Call every Monday to make/confirm reservations for the week. Cancellations: call as soon as possible.

JCC MORNING MOVIE MATINEE FOR SENIOR ADULTS.
Fridays through June 19 • 10 am. Coffee and a movie on the large screen TV in the JCC’s Senior Adult Lounge. Free to all seniors.

JCC RETIRED MEN’S CLUB
Mondays, 10-11 am (members only); invited speaker at 11 am (open) at the JCC. Every meeting is followed by a soup-and-sandwich lunch and a bridge game after the meal. **Reservations required. Lunch Fee: \$3 suggested donation.**

LET’S TALK
Thursdays from 11 am – 12 pm at the Stamford JCC. Free. Meet new people or deepen your friendship with those you already know. Engage in meaningful conversation about a wide variety of topics that are important in our lives. Topics may range from how to live a fulfilling life, creating healthy relationships, savoring our cherished memories, to embracing changing life circumstances. All will be encouraged to express their feelings and experiences related to the themes that emerge in a safe and supportive environment. Led by Kylie Rothman from JFS. For more information, contact Eve Moskowitz, JFS Director of Clinical Services at 201-921-4161.

LIFE ENHANCEMENT CLASSES
Tuesdays & Thursdays through June 18 from 11-11:45am at the JCC. Classes designed to entertain, educate and enrich. **Ageing Gracefully.** Common-age related health issues with practical advice on how to support each other in aging gracefully. **Current Events and Timely Topics.** Informal conversations and talks with various speakers about what’s going on in Stamford, as well as national and international events and timely topics. **Our Stories on Thursdays.** Hear one-of-a-kind stories about the lives, experiences, occupations or pastimes of JCC senior program participants. Free to all seniors. **Seniors in Song.** Sing along with old favorites, Yiddish to Broadway

MONTHLY BIRTHDAY LUNCHEONS
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The Herbert and Sarah M. Gibor Annual Lecture.
Thursday, April 16
The Vilna Gaon and his Students: Reason and the Radicalization of Religion in Modernity – Dr. Elyahu Stern - Professor of Religious Studies and Judaic Studies and History, Yale University

The Edith Samers and Edward Smith Lecture. April 23
Chagall from Paris to Moscow: The Russian Jewish Theater Years with Renee Kahn, M.A., Professor of Art History (retired), UConn-Stamford

The Saul Kwartin Memorial Lecture. Thursday, April 30
The Coming of Age of America’s Jews (1946-1966): Reflections from the Cinema with Dr. Eric Goldman, Adjunct Professor of Film Studies, Yeshiva University

The Maria and Ishier Jacobson Annual Lecture.
Thursday, May 14
Arguing with God: The Jobian Voice in Judaic Literary Tradition with Dr. Nehama Aschkenasy, Professor of Comparative Literary & Cultural Studies, University of Connecticut

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