August/September 2024
Av/Elul/Tishrei 5784
thejewishcenter.org

L'shanah Tovah 5785





Andrea Merow

Avi Paradise Dr. Dov Peretz Elkins

Fran Amir Gila Levin

Heidi Joseph

Lew Gantwerk

Jennifer Black

Jeremy Spiegel Leah Boustan

Jane LeGrange

Dana Molina

Polly Strauss

Fred Appel

Judy Kutin Neal Masia

Ari Meisel

Edye Kamenir Diane Guvenis

Marci Meixler

Jesse Treu

Suzanne Esterman

Abbye Cornfield and Harry Cummins Jerry Neumann Allison Schneider

Rachelle Simon

Lynne Ross

Adam Feldmanz"l

Murray E. Simon

Joel Berger Sharon Diamondstein

Stephanie Spielholz

Rabbi Bob Freedman

Dr. Shoshana Silberman

Nikita Agyei, James Itomo, Marc Sene Charles

Roni Garrison & Cynthia Richman

LEADERSHIP

Rabbi Rabbi 2005-2019 Shaliach Tzibur Rabbi Emeritus Cantor Emeritus **Executive Director** Director of Congregational Learning Youth Director Service Coordinator

Principals Emeritae

Executive Office Staff Building Services Staff

President President Elect

VICE PRESIDENTS

Admin and Membership Education & Youth Finance Programming Religious Affairs

TRUSTEES Michael Goldin Abigail Rose

Recording Secretary

Board Members/Committee Chairs

Lifelong Learning at TJC Arts and Culture Finance Fundraising Israel and Us House

Jewish Center Women

Long Range Planning

Membership

Men's Club Religious Affairs

School, Youth and Family Social Action

TJC Ambassador

Riva Levy and Moshe Margolin

Roberta Sternthal and Pam Zaifman

435 Nassau Street Princeton, NJ 08540

www.thejewishcenter.org

info@thejewishcenter.org (office)

Telephone 609.921.0100 x 200

Fax 609.921.7531

School telephone 609.921.7207



@thejewishcenterofprinceton



@thejewishcenterprinceton





The Jewish Center Princeton

IN THIS ISSUE

Clichot

SICIOL	5
Message from the Rabbi	4
Message from the President	5
Message from the Executive Director	6
Director of Congregational Learning	7
B'nai Mitzvah	9
Welcome Back10	/11
Religious School Dates	. 12
Summer Splash	. 13
Storytime @Barnes & Noble	. 14
Young Families	. 15
Tot Spot	. 17
Cocktails in the Corridor	/19
Tisha B'Av	. 20
Membership Cmte	. 22
Lifelong Learning	. 24
High Holy Days25	-33
Annual Fund	. 34
JCW	. 36
Contributions	. 40
Volunteer at TJC	.41
Garden Appreciation	. 42
Nosh & Drosh	. 43
Trivia	. 44
55+ Update	. 45
Book Club	. 46
Pizza in the Hut	. 47
Recent Deaths	. 50
Life and Legacy	. 51



www.thejewishcenter.org.

Click on the button (shown right). If we are live, just click the play button. Cameras go live 10-15 minutes before services begin.

> Live Stream our services www.livestream.com/tjc













Saturday, September 28

7:45 p.m. – Coffee and schmooze

8:15 p.m. – Slichot Concert

9:45 p.m. - Soulful Community Service

Simu Lev - Pay Heed to the Soul: A Pre-Selichot **Concert** of Music both Contemplative and Spirited. Featuring **Rabbi Yosef Goldman** and **Yoni Battat**, with Rabbi Annie Lewis, and Shawn Hennessey.

Enter the High Holy Day season with a diverse program of soulful Jewish music, drawing from

Mizrahi and Ashkenazi traditions old and new.

Free and open to the community.
The Jewish Center. 435 Nassau Street. Princeton, NJ



1 Siyan/Tammuz 5784



MESSAGE from the Rabbi

Rabbi Andrea Merow 609.921.0100 ext. 203 RAM@thejewishcenter.org

Better Together - Klal Yisrael

When we teach young people how to participate in Jewish prayer services educators are fond of telling their students that "now they can walk into any shul in the world and feel comfortable." That is our hope and, it is mostly true. Though each synagogue in our community has its own important traditions and feel, it is often important for our larger community to gather to both celebrate or to mourn. This past year we were reminded of the power of uniting as a larger community. Our local Board of Rabbis, along with The Jewish Federation of Princeton, Mercer Bucks, are offering three communal gatherings - in August, September and October, that I urge you to take part in. On Monday night August 12th we have community-wide religious services for Tisha B'Av at Beth El. Saturday night September 28th the larger community will usher in the High Holy Day season with an amazing musical concert and service at The Jewish Center. Please mark your calendar for Monday night October 7th when the Federation and Board of Rabbis will convene a communal event to remember and honor the lives lost on October 7th, 2023. On every other Shabbat and on holidays we live the old Jewish phrase that each shul "makes Shabbes for themselves." I am grateful that our larger community will come together this year in solidarity and with strength. I look forward to us feeling very comfortable as guests at our sister congregations, and to our warmly hosting the community at TJC in September.

On August 12 several local Conservative and Reform synagogues will gather at 8:00 p.m. at Beth El for Tisha B'Av services. Tisha B'Av, or The 9th of Av, is the Jewish date where we remember many calamities in the ancient Jewish world. These include the destructions of both of our Temples in Jerusalem and exiles that followed, one in 586 b.c.e., the other in 70 c.e. The service will have participation from many shuls. This fast day includes the haunting words and melody of the ancient Book of Lamentations, along with other poems that speak about times of suffering for the Jewish People. This year, in light of the events of October 7th I imagine that the service will take on heightened meaning. If you have not ever been part of a Tisha B'Av service, I invite you to join us. Many participants will choose to sit on the floor as a sign of mourning as they hear the somber Book of Lamentation (Eicha). It is good that we will all be together.

I am beyond thrilled that on September 28th we will host a Community Concert in honor of Slichot. Slichot are prayers asking for forgiveness. Ashkenazi communities generally begin this the Saturday night before Rosh Hashana; many in the Sephardic and Mizrachi (eastern Jewish) world will say special Slichot prayers for the entire month before the New Year. Usually, shuls have a contemplative program before the service.

This year we are thrilled to bring noted composer and musician Rabbi Yosef Goldman to perform his contemplative music in a moving concert of eastern and western Jewish music. Rabbi Goldman will be joined by musician Yoni Battat and guitarist Shawn Hennessey. They will be joined on the bima for several songs by Rabbi Goldman's spouse, our very own Rabbi Annie Lewis. The concert is called SIMU LEV-Pay Heed to the Soul: A Pre-Slichot Concert of Contemporary Music, drawing from Mizrachi and Ashkenazi traditions. Rabbi Yosef Goldman recently performed his music at The Kennedy Center in D.C., and in venues in New York and Israel. This will be a beautiful way for the entire community to come together and begin the New Year season after a challenging year. Please invite friends - this is an amazing opportunity to hear one of contemporary Judaism's most important new musical sound.

The event is a joint event presented by a generous grant from The Jewish Federation of Princeton, Mercer, Bucks, funding from each shul (TJC, Adath Israel, Beth Chaim and Beth EL) and planned by our local Board of Rabbis. The evening will begin with dessert, Havdalah led by all the clergy. A short Slichot service will follow. If you have never been, this is the year to come to Slichot as we host the community.

I hope that you enjoy these last two months of summer and that Israel, the Jewish People, and all peoples will know more peace.

Rabbi Andrea Merow



MESSAGE from the President

Heidi Joseph tjcpresident@thejewishcenter.org

It's summer! It's hot! It's humid! It's beach time! Swimming time! Camp time! Travel time! Vacation time! Gardening time! And planning time at The Jewish Center! Here are a few things we are busy planning.

We have been painting, sewing, organizing and creating a new coffee shop at TJC - The JAVA NAGILA CAFE. We will be announcing our grand opening by the end of the summer. Please stop in to enjoy a cup of coffee - bring a friend or two, bring your laptop or just come to hang out, relax and enjoy our new space.

We will soon have a new arts and crafts room - where we will hold workshops for adults and kids. We hope to have this ready soon.

New security bollards and benches are ready to be installed. Plans are underway for the installation of our new Security vestibule. A new loud speaker system has been installed that connects the main building, the school and our grounds,

We are planning to offer Mah Jongg games and lessons on Sunday mornings once a month.

We have organized and catalogued the Adult Library and are now ready for Prime Time. Watch for an author series this fall to be held in the Library.

We established a new shared Religious Affairs/ Youth Advisory Office. Stop in to say hi to Nancy Lewis and Stephanie Spielholz.

So much planning has been going on in the Religious School! Sharon recently held a very well received teacher training session. The Religious School calendar is filling up with so many activities and holiday celebration plans. And Sharon has

recently completed plans for trips for each of the classes.

Join us on August 14 for our annual Thomas Sweet Ice Cream party for all members, friends and potential friends!

Plans are underway for a special community-wide concert for Slichot to be hosted at The Jewish Center on September 28.

Rabbi Merow, Avi, Sharon and Joel are busy preparing for the High Holy Days. It's amazing how much work, planning, and coordination goes into this!

Of course services are held each Friday evening and Saturday morning. Due to popular demand, we have expanded the number of times the musicians will be joining us on Friday evenings. And we hope you will join us for Saturday morning services - come at 9:30 a.m. when they start - come at 10:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. - or come just for kiddish! That's JFK! But please join us! We want you here.

Lots of folks have been involved to make these things happen. Volunteer as little as fifteen minutes one time to as much as you want. Please ask me how you can be involved.

Enjoy the rest of the summer! Stay cool!

L'Shalom,

Heidi



MESSAGE from the Executive Director

Joel Berger 609.921.0100 ext. 205 jberger@thejewishcenter.org

Three More Years! Three More Years!

As I write this article, I am pleased to share that I have been offered, and have accepted, a three-year contract to remain as Executive Director of The Jewish Center. I am very happy to remain here for another three years embraced by a community that not only welcomed me, but my family as well.

This November will be five years here at TJC. And boy what a ride it has been. The highlight still being our 75th Anniversary Cruise back in May. I can't begin to describe the euphoria that culminated in a wonderful night. It had been months and months to plan and seemed to be over so quickly. My memories will last for a long time and there was a wonderful feeling in the building that night. Thank you to **EVERYONE** who helped to make it a tremendous success. Whether you did a little or a lot, your help was greatly appreciated.

So where do we go from here? The world is still a crazy place, and we continue to come together as a community to celebrate good times and bad. We need to continue to be there for each other and make sure we are always taking care of ourselves.

For me, here are some goals I look forward to working on in the years ahead:

- 1) **Growing our membership.** We have almost 500 membership units consisting of families, singles, seniors, associates, exploratories and more. We have so much to offer anyone looking for a synagogue. So we need to spread the word about our home here at TJC. Everyone reading this knows at least one person who would benefit from being a member. Bring them in. Let us know who they are. Let's gain 50 new members this year and grow our community.
- 2) **Growing our school.** We have expanded our offerings to the younger crowd with Tot Spot and Young Family Programs. But we have offerings

from 2 years old to 12th grade. If you know someone who is not connected, let us know. Let's grow our school offerings and make this THE place for Jewish education.

3) **Growing our Shabbat experiences.** Shabbat comes every week. You can set your watch to it. But people do not attend services as often as they do. We are adding more music to our Friday night offerings. We have kiddush every week thanks to our Krew. We need Torah readers. We need Haftorah readers. We want you to come to a Shabbat dinner, either under the stars or anytime one is offered. We need service leaders when our clergy are unavailable. We know you are out there. Reach out to us and get more involved in Shabbat. We want you here.

Lastly, in 1996 I was moved when I went on the March of the Living and walked through the concentration camps in Poland. We had survivors with us and my memories and stories will last a lifetime. But each day, a survivor leaves our planet and we have fewer and fewer around. We need to make sure we take care of our Holocaust survivors and listen to their stories so WE can tell them in the future. Never Again has more and more meaning as our survivors pass on. Let's make a concerted effort to make sure their stories are heard and that the next generations know what happened and are committed to making sure it never happens again.

I look forward to another three years and beyond here at TJC. Thank you to everyone who continues to make my family welcome every time they are here.

Joel



MESSAGE from the Director of Congregational Learning

Sharon Diamondstein 609.921.0100 ext. 220 sdiamondstein@thejewishcenter.org

Shalom,

As I sit in the throes of summer season here at The Jewish Center, I am thrilled to share some exciting updates and upcoming events with you all. July 10th marked the beginning of my 7th year serving as Director of Congregational Learning, and I continue to be inspired by all of you, and I'm energized and excited for the upcoming year! Read on to see what we've done so far, and all the great things we are looking forward to!

Youth and Family Programs: This summer, we met parents at the JCC Camp bus stop for some bagels and coffee as we sent the kiddos off to camp. It was great seeing how excited the kids were! As of this writing, we also held an after-camp challah braiding program led by upcoming Bat Mitzvah student, Hailey Swallow, and the challahs will be baked here at TJC and delivered to the JFCS food pantry for distribution! We are also looking forward to ice cream socials, an after-camp dance party, and our end-of-summer Boardwalk Games Celebration, in addition to another "Bagels at the Bus" morning!

Community Outreach: On July 25, we held a popup storytime and picnic lunch for our young families. If you didn't make it, please plan to join us on Sunday, August 11, at 11:00 a.m. at Barnes and Noble on Route 1 in Princeton. We will hold a special storytime and craft featuring Jewish authors, and any sales that day will benefit The Jewish Center Religious School! We look forward to continuing to plan events that promote inclusivity and strengthen our bonds within the TJC community and the Princeton area.

High Holiday Preparation: As we look ahead to the High Holidays, we are diligently preparing meaningful services and programs for all ages and stages! Stay tuned for details on service times, special programs, and opportunities for spiritual growth. Educational Initiatives: We are excited to introduce new educational initiatives in our religious school this year, including implementing components of Responsive Classroom, an educational approach that focuses on social-emotional learning. This approach is used in schools across the country, including many of the schools our students attend! We will use this framework to build community and deepen our understanding and connection to our heritage.

Volunteer Opportunities: As the school year (rapidly!) approaches, we welcome all members of the TJC community to help out in the Religious School! This can include helping with breakfast service, volunteering "under the tent," for the High Holidays, helping in the classrooms, or donating your time in any other ways that you find meaningful!

I would like to thank all of you for your support over the past 6 years - they have really been wonderful. I am so grateful to The Jewish Center community for continuing to welcome my family and me, and for giving us a home away from home.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions, ideas, or feedback. Your input is invaluable as we strive to grow and strengthen our community bonds.

I wish you all a wonderful rest of summer, and I look forward to seeing everyone on September 8 at 9:00 am, our 1st day of Religious School.

L'Shalom,

Sharon





Hailey Swallow September 7, 2024

Hailey will be an 8th grader this fall at Montgomery Upper Middle School. She's been attending The Jewish Center since birth where Rabbi Feldman^{Z"L} conducted her Jewish naming ceremony, and it has been a huge part of her life ever since. Hailey is enrolled in the Sulam program this fall and looks forward to continuing her Judaic studies throughout high school and beyond.

Hailey is a competitive dancer and cheerleader. She has been dancing since she was two and started competing in dance at age of five with Dance Exposure II. She dances as both a soloist, as well as part of multiple groups. For her Chesed project, Hailey taught young

children about the significance of Challah in the Jewish religion, including preparing two challas for each child, one for them to take home and one to donate to JFCS.

Hailey would like to thank her parents as well as Rabbi Merow, Sharon Diamondstein, Gila Levin, Avi Paradise, and all the teachers that she has had along the way who have helped her prepare for this day.



Alexis "Sasha" Goldberg September 14, 2024

Alexis "Sasha" Goldberg is an eighth grader at Princeton Day School and has been a constant presence at TJC since Pre-K. Sasha enjoys tennis, playing piano and spending time with her friends. Her favorite school subjects are History and Science. For her Chesed project Sasha has chosen to help at the Princeton Cornerstone Community Kitchen.

Sasha is smart, beautiful...and an insightful young lady. She is loved by her family and her friends.

Sasha would like to thank Rabbi Merow, Sharon Diamondstein, Avi Paradise, Gila Levin, and all of her Hebrew School Teachers for helping her on this special journey.



William Vermut September 21, 2024

William Vermut, a student at Princeton Middle School, has a passion for drones and horticulture. He loves to play water polo and squash as well as socialize with friends and family. For his Chesed project, William worked with Wilma to take care of the Jewish Center Garden, a commitment he plans to uphold indefinitely.



Julia O'neill September 28, 2024

Julia is looking forward to being called to the Torah for her Bat Mitzvah on September 28. Currently an 8th grader at Princeton Middle School, she is passionate about springboard and platform diving. Beyond diving, Julia's favorites subjects are math and science and the physics involved in diving. When she is not diving, Julia enjoys reading, especially historical fiction. Julia would like to extend her heartfelt thanks to Rabbi Merow, Avi Paradise, Sharon Diamondstein, Doug Berkowitz, and Gila Levin for their invaluable guidance and support in preparing for this special day.



JOIN US FOR OUR



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 7:30 P.M.

SHABBAT SERVICES BEGIN AT 6:30 P.M.

AT THE JEWISH CENTER

435 NASSAU ST, PRINCETON, NJ 08540
BRING A PROSPECTIVE MEMBER!

PLEASE RSVP ON SHULCLOUD BY 9/3
VEGETARIAN OPTIONS AVAILABLE



WELCOME BACK TO

TJC SCHOOL-WIDE SHABBAT DINNER

Friday, September 20, 2024



Musical Services at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. Open at no cost to all Religious School Families

Scan here to register!

If you have questions or need help with registration, email sdiamondstein@thejewishcenter.org







2024-2025 Religious School (RS) Calendar Important Dates

Please mark your calendars in advance for these RS events.

Please note these dates / times are subject to change & more to be added.

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Sunday, September 8	First day of school	9:00am-Noon
Sunday, September 15	6 th Grade B'nai Mitzvah & Chesed Meeting	9:00am-10:30am
Friday, September 20	Shabbat + Dinner All Grades	6:30pm-8:30pm
Sunday, September 29	7 th & 8 th Grade Trip Phil Jewish Museum	8:30am-1:30pm
Sunday, September 29	Pre-K – 6 th Grade Beekeeper Program	9:00am-Noon
Wednesday, October 2	NO RS – EREV Rosh Hashanah	
Sunday, October 13	NO RS	
Wednesday, October 16	NO RS – EREV Sukkot	
Wednesday, October 23	NO RS – EREV Shemini Atzeret	
Sunday, October 27	Blessing of the Pets	12:00pm-1:00pm
Sunday, November 3	1 st & 2 nd Grade Trip Turtle Back Zoo	8:45am-1:30pm
Sunday, November 3	5 th & 6 th Grade LES Walking Food Tour	8:30am-2:00 pm
Sunday, November 10	NO RS – Teacher Convention Weekend	
Friday, November 15	Shabbat + Dinner All Grades	6:30pm-8:30pm
Wednesday, November 27- Dec 1	NO RS – Thanksgiving Weekend	
Friday, December 6	Shabbat + Dinner Grades K-5	6:30pm-8:30pm
Sunday, December 8	5 th Grade Mezuzah Workshop	9:30am-noon
Sunday, December 22-January 1	NO RS – Winter Break	
Saturday, January 4	School-Wide Shabbat L'Kulanu, + Lunch	9:30am-12:30pm
Sunday, January 5	NO RS	9:00am-Noon
Sunday, January 12	6 th Grade D'var Torah Writing	10:00am-Noon
Friday, January 17	Shabbat + Dinner All Grades	6:30pm-8:30pm
Sunday, January 19	NO RS – MLK Weekend	
Sunday, February 2	3 rd & 4 th Grade Trip Brooklyn Jewish Museum	8:30am-2:00pm
Saturday, February 8	School-Wide Shabbat L'Kulanu, + Lunch	9:30am-12:30pm
Saturday, February 8	3 rd Grade Gimmel Siddur Ceremony + Lunch	9:30am-12:30pm
Sunday, February 9	NO RS	
Sunday, February 16	NO RS – President's Weekend	
Friday, February 21	Shabbat + Dinner Grades 6 & 7	6:30pm-8:30pm
Saturday, March 8	School-Wide Shabbat L'Kulanu, + Lunch	9:30am-12:30pm
Sunday, March 9	NO RS	
Wednesday, March 12	Purim Carnival (tentative)	4:30pm-7:00pm
Friday, March 21	Shabbat + Dinner All Grades	6:30pm-8:30pm
Wednesday, March 26, April 2 & 9	6 th Grade Family Tallit Family Program w/dinner	6:00pm-8:00pm
Saturday, April 5	School-Wide Shabbat L'Kulanu + Lunch	9:30am-12:30pm
Sunday, April 13-20	NO RS – Spring Break	
Friday, May 2	Shabbat + Dinner All Grades	6:30pm-8:30pm
Sunday, May 18	Last day RS Celebration	10:00am-12:00pm
Sunday, May 18	7 th Grade Zayin Moving Up Ceremony	5:30pm-8:00pm



CAMP BUS ACTIVITIES

August 2024

Thursday, August 1 4:15 p.m. Bubble Dance Party

Thursday, August 15 4:15 p.m. Boardwalk Games







NOAH'S ARK PICNIC



GRATITUDE & JUDAISM

SHINING OUR LIGHT



FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES 2 AND BELOW AND THEIR CAREGIVERS

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT SDIAMONDSTEIN[AT] THE JEWISH CENTER. ORG



Fun & Exciting Drop-Off Sunday Programs 2024-2025



Ages 3-5

Holidays & Shabbat & Bible Stories & Alef-Bet & Music Rituals & Art & Song & Games & Snack

Your children will make new friends and learn through play & hands-on activities.



Ganon: 3-4 year old Drop Off Program

One Sunday per month: 9:00 am - 11:30 am

The Jewish Center Members: \$175

Community Members: \$350 8 classes throughout the year



Gan Katan: 4-5 year old Drop Off Program

Sundays Weekly: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm September - May

The Jewish Center Members: \$899 Please call for community rates





For more information, contact Cynthia Richman, 609-921-7207 x218 or crichman@thejewishcenter.org





The Religious School at The Jewish Center

435 Nassau Street, Princeton, NJ 08540 609.921.0100 • www.thejewishcenter.org

The Jewish Center is a non-profit organization whose policy is to not deny membership or education to any person based on financial need.



Meetup at the Porch Room at The Jewish Center School 457 Nassau St. 10 A.M. - 12 P.M.

Sunday Sept 22



For parents/caregivers and their children, infant to 3 years.

Open to the community

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT ANNA MEISEL AT ANNAMEISEL@GMAIL.COM.

TO BE ADDED TO THE TOT SPOT MAILING LIST, PLEASE EMAIL EMILIE KOVIT AT EKOVIT@THEJEWISHCENTER.ORG.





JOIN US!

Cocktails in the Corridor

Friday, August 30 5:15 P.M. Before Shabbat Services

Drinks, Snacks and Schmoozing!

Cocktails in the Corridor is being sponsored by Renee and Ted Altman in honor of their 60th Wedding Anniversary



If you would like to sponsor a Cocktails in the Corridor for a special occasion, please contact the TJC office or email us at info@thejewishcenter.org





Cocktails in the Corridor

Friday, Sept 20
5:15 p.m.
Before Shabbat Services
Drinks, Snacks and Schmoozing!

Featuring: Artist Jane Zamost

Bible BaBoker Saturdays | 8:45 a.m.

Bible BaBoker is a diverse community and carries on the Jewish tradition of Torah study in an open and respectful atmosphere. We strive for discussions based on reading Torah, other Jewish texts, and additional relevant resources from ancient to modern sources. Participants with a variety of backgrounds and beliefs deepen our understanding of Judaism, share insights and opinions, extract and develop wisdom, and consider our purpose in life, ethical principles to live by, and ways to be better human beings. Prior Torah knowledge or background is not necessary and new participants are always welcome. Study with us each week or whenever you can make it! We look forward to learning together.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87570201257pwd=SncvMTMvNkJOQklGWWJrdDBFMlp2dz09

To be added to the BBB mailing list or for questions,
contact Michael Goldin at mmgold18@yahoo.com.

Tisha B'Av תשעה באב

Come together as a community to remember the destruction of the Temples in Jerusalem and other Jewish tragedies throughout history

Monday, August 12, 2024 | 8pm



Beth El Synagogue 50 Maple Stream Road East Windsor, NJ



Ma'ariv Service followed by the reading of *Eicha*, the Book of Lamentations





www.bethel.net





Let's Grow Together!

Summer greetings from the Membership Committee at TJC!

We're having a great summer, planning events for new and current members and developing ways to introduce the TJC community to more people in our area.

We would love for you to join us in strengthening our Jewish community by lending a hand to the Membership Committee at TJC. Every volunteer makes a real difference! We understand that everyone has a busy schedule – and you can help out as often or as occasionally as you'd like. We have a variety of opportunities that fit with your calendar:

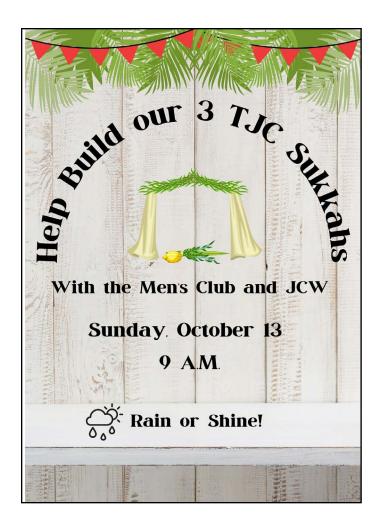
- ☐ Could you deliver a welcome basket or two (once a month) to new members?
- Want to help out but can't easily get to the schul? You could make phone calls from your home
- ☐ Want to meet new people and build lasting friendships? You could help a new member or family learn the 'ropes.'
- Like ice cream or books? Join the fun at one of our meet-and-greet events in town.

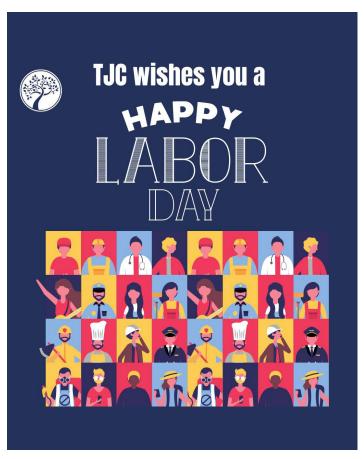
Helping the Membership Committee connects you with like-minded individuals – who might just live in your neighborhood!

Contact us today to see how you can get involved!

Jennifer Black, VP Admin and Membership – jentblack@hotmail.com Diane Guvenis – Membership Co-Chair – dlgirer@gmail.com Suzanne Esterman – Membership Co-Chair – Suzanne.esterman@gmail.com







Did you know TJC has a hearing-impaired system in our Sanctuary?

The Jewish Center Hearing Device System Listen EVERYWHERE

- 1. To access the app, you need to be at TJC on the TJCOP Wi-fi network. Make sure your phone is connected to the right network:
 - i. Wi-fi Network: TJCop
 - ii. Password: Tjc435457 (note only the first letter is capitalized)
- 2. Download the Listen EVERYWHERE app from the Listen Technologies Corporation. It's available on both Apple App Store and Android/ Google Play stores.
- 3. After you've downloaded the app, you'll have an icon on your phone that looks like this:



- 4. Click it and it will open the app. The app will perform a quick venue scan to find the available audio channels (you need to do this at TJC when the PA system is turned on).
- 5. The app will display a Welcome screen and may play a Welcome video. You can skip this by tapping the "Skip Ad" button at the top right of the screen.
- 6. It will then show the audio channel. Tap the channel and the sound should come through the app.
- 7. From there, however you integrate audio with your hearing aid, you should be able to adjust volume and choose your preferred equalization curve via your hearing aid app.



LIFELONG LEARNING AT TJC

FALL / WINTER 2024

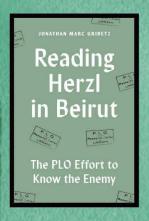
Please come and learn with us this fall and winter season! We are excited to share with you two guest speakers. Below are their bios.



Wednesday, September 18 Susannah Heschel - 7:30 PM

Topic: How does a political gesture become a moment of prayer? The legacy of Abraham Joshua Heschel

Susannah Heschel is the Eli M. Black Distinguished Professor of Jewish Studies at Dartmouth College and chair of the Jewish Studies Program and a faculty member of the Religion Department. Her scholarship focuses on Jewish and Protestant thought during the 19th and 20th centuries, including the history of biblical scholarship, Jewish scholarship on Islam, and the history of anti-Semitism.



Wednesday October 30 Jonathan Marc Gribetz - 7:30 P.M.

Jonathan Marc Gribetz is an associate professor in the Department of Near Eastern Studies and in the Program in Judaic Studies. He teaches about the history of Zionism, Palestine, Israel, Jerusalem, and nationalism in the modern Middle East.

Lifelong Learning programs are made possible by donations to the Adult Education Fund.



SLICHOT	_	Alternative Spiritual Experience	5:00-6:00 p.m
Saturday, September 28 @ The Jewish		(in the tent at TJC)	
Children's and Family Program	7:00 p.m.	Kabbalat Shabbat	6:00 p.m.
Havdalah, Program & Service	8:00 p.m.		
		SHABBAT SHUVAH	
ROSH HASHANAH – Day 1		Friday, October 4	
Wednesday, October 2 – Erev Rosh H	lashanah	Candle Lighting	6:17 p.m.
Candle Lighting	6:20 p.m.	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6:00 p.m.
Ma'ariv	6:00 p.m.		1
	1	Saturday, October 5	
Thursday, October 3 - First Day		Shabbat Service	9:30 a.m.
Main Sanctuary Service - All times at	pproximate		
Shacharit	9:00 a.m.	KOL NIDRE	
Torah Service	9:45 a.m.	Friday, October 11	
Shofar Service	10:45 a.m.	Main Sanctuary Service	6:00 p.m.
Sermon	10:55 a.m.	Candle Lighting	6:05 p.m.
Musaf	11:05 a.m.	Culture Digitting	0.05 p.m.
Widsai	11.03 a.m.		
Family, Youth, and Teen Services		YOM KIPPUR	
Youth Services - Outdoors, In Tent		Saturday, October 12	
	9:00 a.m.	Main Sanctuary Service – All times approx	imate
Family Service (grades 1-7)	9:00 a.iii.	Shacharit	9:00 a.m.
(not a drop-off service)		Torah Service	10:15 a.m.
V D 11 0 1	10.20	Yizkor Service	10.13 a.m.
Young Family Service	10:30 a.m.		
(Children in Kindergarten		Sermon	11:15 a.m.
and below and their caregivers)		Musaf Service	11:35 a.m.
		Family, Youth, & Teen Services	
Teen Forum	11:00 a.m.	Youth Services - Outdoors, In Tent	
		Family Service (grades 1-7)	9:00 a.m.
Tashlich at Carnegie Lake	5:00 p.m.	(not a drop-off service)	
+ Ma'ariv (Rt. 27 parking area)	_		
		Young Family Service	10:30 a.m.
Candle Lighting	7:16 p.m.	(Children in Kindergarten	
6 6	•	and below and their caregivers)	
ROSH HASHANAH – Day 2			
Thursday, October 3 - First Day		Teen Forum	11:00 a.m.
Main Sanctuary Service - All times at	oproximate		
Shacharit	9:00 a.m.	Afternoon & Evening Services in the Sancto	uarv
Torah Service	9:45 a.m.	Alternative Yizkor and Healing Experience	
Shofar Service	10:45 a.m.	Yom Kippur Forum	_
Sermon	10:55 a.m.		3:45 p.m.
Musaf	11:05 a.m.	Mincha	4:45 p.m.
Widour	11.03 u.iii.	Neilah and Personal Prayers	6:00 p.m.
Family, Youth, and Teen Services		Ma'ariv	
Youth Services - Outdoors, In Tent		Havdalah	7:03 p.m.
	9:00 a.m.	Shofar and Conclusion	•
Family Service (grades 1-7)	9:00 a.iii.		
(not a drop off service)			
V F 1 C 1	10.20	Everyone is invited to blow the final Shofar	blast
Young Family Service	10:30 a.m.	2. c. your to the the to over the filler one full	
(Children in Kindergarten			
and below and their caregivers)			

11:00 a.m.

Teen Forum



FAMILY HIGH HOLIDAYS 5785 at TJC

Saturday, September 28, 2024

Family Selichot Program in the Teen Lounge 7:00 p.m. followed by Havdalah and Concert 8:00 p.m.

Rosh Hashanah Day 1, Day 2 and Yom Kippur Thursday and Friday October 3, 4, and Saturday, October 12, 2024

Family Service Under The Tent 9:00 a.m. (for children in grades 1-7 - not a drop-off service)

Young Family Service In The Teen Lounge 10:30 a.m. (for children ages 5 and under and their caregivers)

Teen Service and Forum in Jessica's Garden 11:00 a.m. (for anyone in grades 8-12)

Tashlich at Carnegie Lake Thursday, October 3, 2024 5:00 p.m.



Kol Nidre Friday, October 11, 2024

6:00 p.m. in Sanctuary followed by Children's Service in Bet Midrash

Neilah Saturday, October 12, 2024

6:00 p.m. in Sanctuary followed by Havdalah and Shofar blowing

HEAR THE SOUND OF THE SHOFAR!

"HEAR THE TONES FROM YOUR PHONES!"

If you or someone you know would like to hear the Shofar blasts, but can't make it to TJC or live out of town, our wonderful Robin Wallack will connect with you to hear the Shofar blown over the phone.

Please reach out to Robin at 609-462-2340, 609-924-0330, or robinwallack@verizon.net

Don't miss out on this great opportunity if you are not able to attend in person.





High Holy Days 5785 Workshop

SONGS AND PRAYERS OF THE SEASON

LEARN (OR RE-LEARN) MEANINGS OF OUR HIGH HOLY DAY PRAYERS & TRADITIONS

THIS WORKSHOP IS FOR ADULTS WHO WANT TO ENTER THE HOLIDAYS HAVING STUDIED SOME OF OUR MOST IMPORTANT PRAYERS AND TRADITIONS.

SESSION 1 - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 - 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM SESSION 2 - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 - 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM.

Led by Rabbi Merow and Avi Paradise

NO PRIOR EXPERIENCE OR HEBREW NEEDED.

THIS CLASS IS AN INTRO OR REFRESHER CLASS – ALL INVITED – YOU NEED NOT BE A MEMBER OF THE SHUL TO COME AND LEARN. BRING YOUR FRIENDS. PRE-REGISTRATION APPRECIATED.

RSVP ON SHULCLOUD BY 9/12





USHERS NEEDED on the HIGH HOLY DAYS!

Do you come to shul and have a great smile? Be an usher on the High Holy Days! Everyone is invited to help greet members and guests, help hand out prayer books, and be a friendly face! Contact info@thejewishcenter.org



HIGH HOLY DAYS 5785

FOODDRIVE

Food insecurity is still an ongoing issue in our country. We are asking our community once again to open your hearts and donate to families in need.



HAPPILY ACCEPTING:
LOCAL SUPERMARKET GIFT CARDS
CANNED GOODS
NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS

Shopping list on next page PROCEEDS WILL BE SPLIT BETWEEN

ARM IN ARM & JFCS KOSHER FOOD PANTRY

PLEASE BRING ALL DONATIONS ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 OR EREV YOM KIPPUR & YOM KIPPUR OCTOBER 11 & 12

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL ARLENE OPATUT AT AMJOPATUT@AOL.COM

HIGH HOLY DAYS 5785

FOODDRV



HAPPILY ACCEPTING:

★ LOCAL SUPERMARKET GIFT CARDS

*** CANNED GOODS**

★ NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS

SHOPPING LIST:

Please check that your food is kosher and not expired

Granola bars

Canned tuna, salmon or chicken

Canned low fructose fruit

Canned low sodium vegetables

Peanut butter

Jelly/Jam

Beans, canned or dried

Apple sauce

Cereal - both hot and cold Tomato sauce & canned tomatoes

Shelf stable milk

Pasta, Rice

100% fruit juice

Herbs & spices

Maseca Corn

Masa Flour

Olive oil

Vegetable oil

CONTAINERS MUST BE PAPER OR PLASTIC (NO GLASS)

PROCEEDS WILL BE SPLIT BETWEEN

ARM IN ARM & IFCS KOSHER FOOD PANTRY

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL ARLENE OPATUT AT AMJOPATUT@AOL.COM



COMMEMORATE A LOVED ONE YIZKOR BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE 5785

Every year TJC produces an annual Yizkor Book of Remembrance. This booklet is used at services four times during the year when Yizkor is recited, beginning with Yom Kippur. To commemorate a loved one in this booklet, please list their name(s) below and return the bottom portion, together with a check or credit card payment of \$32 per name (through September 1 only). After September 1, the price increases to \$38 per name.

DEADLINE FOR ORDERING:

The TJC Book of Remembrance is prepared **solely from your responses** – the **FINAL** deadline to order is September 30.

If you would like to be notified of future yahrzeit dates and you currently are not receiving this information, please include the full English date and time of death and relationship when you return your form.

•	s or need additional inforn t. 200 or e-mail at <u>info@th</u>	· •	arrison at The Jewish Center
×		×	×
Retu		K OF REMEMBRANCE OR <u>Deadline, September 30</u> sau St., Princeton, NJ 085	
Name:			
Address:			
Donation: \$32 Per Name	THROUGH September 1 c	only – AFTERWARDS \$38	per name. Use the form below.
My donation of \$	is enclosed by check pa	ayable to The Jewish Cente	r.
Please charge my cre	dit card (MC/VISA/AMEX) fo	or my donation of \$	
Card #	!		_Exp. Date
Car	dholder Signature		
(Your	name as <u>Donor</u> as you wo	ould like it to appear in the	Book of Remembrance)

	I wish to honor the memory of the following: (PLEASE <u>PRINT</u> FULL NAMES IN ENGLISH) If a past TJC congregant, please place an asterisk * next to the name If same as last year, check here □		
1.	•	7.	
2.		8.	
3.		9.	
4.		10.	
5.		11.	
6.		12.	



Pick-up Sunday October 13 from 9 A.M. -12 P.M. or Tuesday October 15 from 9 A.M. -5 P.M.

in this tradition. Sets can be ordered through The Jewish Center office.

Tear off below and send/bring to TJC Office - 435 Nassau Street, Princeton, NJ 08540 Full Name: ______ Email Address: ______ Please reserve _____ set(s) of lulavim and etrogim at \$54 each for me. Enclosed is my check, made out to The Jewish Center in the amount of \$_____ Or, you may choose to pay by Visa / MasterCard / Amex (Circle one):

Exp. Date ______ Signature: _____

Please send to The Jewish Center office by October 9 (Erev Sukkot is October 16). For more information, contact Roni Garrison at The Jewish Center office, 609-921-0100 x 200 or vgarrison@thejewishcenter.org



The Jewish Center Annual Fund 5785

GIVING LEVELS

Me'orot - Luminaries: \$54,000

Chalutzim - Pioneers: \$36,000

Kochavim - Luminaries: \$18,000 and above

Manhigim - Leaders: \$10,000 and above

Giborim - Heroes: \$5,400 and above

Amudim - Pillars: \$3,600 and above

Shomrim - Guardians: \$1,800 and above

Bonim - Builders: \$900 and above

Tormim - Supporters: \$500 and above

Haverim - Friends: \$180 to \$500

Thank you in advance for your philanthropy.

Questions? Please contact Executive Director Joel Berger at jberger@thejewishcenter.org

or at 609.921.0100 ext. 205.

I/We want to contribute to The Jewish Center's 5785 Annual Fund.

Name			
Street Address			
City			ate Zip
Telephone: (cell) _		(home)	
Email			
Enclosed is my/ ou			
-	□ \$10,000	□ \$5,400	
	□ \$1,800		
	□ \$360		
Other:			
☐ I wish my gift to I	oe anonymous		
□ Check□ Securities	□ Visa	☐ Mastercard	□ Amex
Please make checl	. ,		
Account Number			
Exp. Date/			
Signature			
☐ I/We want to m contact us.	ake a gift of stoo	ck or mutual funds. P	Please have someone
least age 70 1/2 at t	he time of transf	er and the funds mu	er (the donor must be at st pass directly from the ontact us with specific
☐ I/We are intere	sted in including	The Jewish Center i	in my/our estate planning.
☐ Please have so	meone contact	us about setting up a	a Life and Legacy gift.

Thank you in advance for your philanthropy.

Questions? Please contact Executive Director Joel Berger at jberger@thejewishcenter.org
or at 609.921.0100 ext. 205.



High Holy Days 5785

Jewish Center Women New Year's Greeting Card

PLEASE JOIN IN WISHING OUR CONGREGANTS AND STAFF A SHANAH TOVAH THIS YEAR.

With a \$36 contribution your name will be included with the beautiful New Year card that will be mailed to all members of The Jewish Center prior to the holiday!

Questions? jcwgreetings@thejewishcenter.org

Please complete the form by Sept. 6, 2024 with \$36 credit card or check payable to The Jewish Center.

Mail form to: The Jewish Center, Attn: JCW 435 Nassau Street, Princeton, NJ 08540

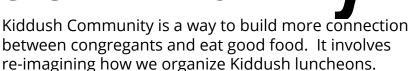
Clearly Print Name(s) as you would like them to appear on the card:

Email:	
I am enclosing credit card ch	eck payable to TJC
Credit Card#	Exp. Date
CVV	





Kiddush Community



This re-imagining of the Kiddush Luncheon BUILDS our community by:

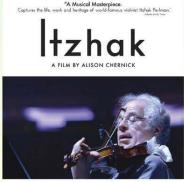
- Adding a source of alternative revenue
- Increasing participation in Shabbat: services or social
- Allowing us to celebrate more simchot together

- □ Macher \$1000
- □ Supporter \$540
- □ Contributor \$360
- □ Friend \$180

• Each week multiple congregants can mark simchot at TJC by donating towards the kiddush luncheon. The spread stays the same (with some options for upper levels or additional donations.)



Itzhak





THE MALLOWS ANALONS OF THE REMAINING THE PRESENT FOR THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPE

A look beyond the 16-time Grammywinning musician to see the polio survivor
whose parents emigrated from Poland to
Israel, and the young man who struggled
to be taken seriously as a music student
when schools saw only his disability.

Showings will be 2-4 P.M.

Walk-Ins Welcome

Open to the Community

Free to TJC members; \$5 for non-members.







the Sounds of

Live music on Shabbat! All are welcome

6:30 p.m. Service

Led by Rabbi Merow and Avi Paradise

Joined by guest instrumentalists

Mark your calendars!

2024

September 6 & 20

October 18

November 1 & 15

December 6 & 20

2025

January 3 & 17

February 7 & 21

March 7 & 21

April 4 & 18

May 2 & 16









We appreciate the thoughtfulness of those who support The Jewish Center by remembering and honoring friends and loved ones through their generous contributions:

75TH ANNIVERSARY DIAMOND JUBILEE

from Edye and David Kamenir from Donna Laurie from Naomi Richman Neumann and Jerry Neumann from Kathy Ales and Richard Levine

HIGH HOLIDAYS

from Donna and David Gabai

GENERAL FUND

from Mike G.

In honor of

Our granddaughter Dorothy's high school graduation

from Roberta and Ephraim Sternthal Myra Weiner and Larry's chanting Haftorah

from Judy and Mike Leopold Wishing Ruth Goldston continuing good

from Judy and Mike Leopold The marriage of Rachel Sanborn and Joe Petraroli

from Judy and Mike Leopold Martin Rome on his birthday

from Jerry and Sheila Berkelhammer The Kiddush Krew

from Alison and David Politziner Joan Levin on your grandson's Bar Mitzvah

from Alison and David Politziner Sara and Steven Just on the birth of their grandson, Theodor Lev

from Marcie and Marc Citron, Alison and David Politziner

Jeanne and Sher Leiman on their grandson Dylan's Bar Mitzvah

from Howard and Marilyn Zagorin The birth of our grandson, Theodor Lev

from Sara and Steven Just Arlene and Henry Opatut, Linda and Michael Grenis, Alison and David Politziner and Lori and Michael Feldstein on being honorees at our 75th Gala Celebration

from Bob and Carol Schwartz The Jewish Center Princeton

In memory of

Rose Lackowitz and Dorothy Poecker from Edye and David Kamenir Jackie Meisel

from Helene and Howard Buckwald, Mark and Jill Cohen and Family Michael Falk

from Patrice Gordon, Norma Saks, Alison and David Politziner, Heidi Joseph and David Saltzman Florence Cummins

from Marcie and Marc Citron, Michael and Lori Feldstein, Donna and David Gahai

Michael Rappeport

from Ronald Schnur and Sandy Sussman, Marcie and Marc Citron, Heidi Joseph, Ellen Blake, Donna and David Gabai

Dorothy Uslip Friedman

from Sofia Parish

Hyman Rosen and Lillian Greene from Marilyn and Joe Rosen

Ludmila Efimov

from Gala Rokhinson

Anna Wilson

from Marilyn Zagorin Dick Bergman

from Robert Seidenstein and Marilyn Riley

ADULT EDUCATION FUND

In memory of

Michael Rappeport

from The Kassiola Family Rabbi David Wolf Silverman from Ziona Silverman

ANNUAL FUND In memory of

Dorothy Uslip Friedman

from Dina Shaw

APARTMENT CONSTRUCTION **FUND**

In honor of

The Jewish Center for continuing to stream

from Dan Mendoza Linda and Michael Grenis on the birth of Ronen Emmett Grenis

from Dan Brent and Sally Steinberg-Brent

ARTS & CULTURAL AFFAIRS In honor of

Alison and David Politziner on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Ella from Evy and Lenny Grossman

CANTOR'S MUSIC FUND In honor of

Alison and David Politziner for being honored at the 75th Anniversary Gala from Bob and Robin Rabinowitz

ISRAEL IMPACT FUND

from Joe and Barbara Schwartz from Beth and Nir Yakoby

In honor of

Alexandra and Barak Bar-Cohen for their work with the Israel Impact Fund from Evy and Lenny Grossman Alexandra and Barak Bar-Cohen, the

from Wilma Solomon Linda Grenis

from Susanna Lachs and Dean Adler Cathy Bailey on her birthday from Herb and Rachael Beron

founders of the Israel Impact Fund

In memory of

Al Tondow

from Iris and Elliot Ramer Jill Selati

from Cathy and Brad Bailey Michael Falk

from Warren Mitlak and Tirza Wahrman



from Sheryl and Richard Feinstein Florence Cummins

from Sheryl and Richard Feinstein

THE JEWISH CENTER REFUGEE FUND

from Jeffrey Mattes and Amy Becker-Mattes from Donna and David Gabai from Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Princeton from Paul and Anne Disdier

In honor of

Alison and David Politziner on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Ella Cheslock

from Sara and Steven Just, Judy and
Mike Leopold, Marsha Novick, Helaine
and Hanan Isaacs, Linda and Art
Meisel, David and Joan Rosenfeld
Alison and David Politziner for being
honored at the 75th Anniversary Gala
from Bob and Robin Rabinowitz
Anya Kshirsagar becoming a Bat Mitzvah
from The Jachimowicz-Spiegel Family

In memory of

Jack Marrero

from Sheila Marrero Herman Lichtman

from Sheila Marrero

Michael Rappeport

from Sheila Marrero

Ruth Turim

from Fran Zeitler Edelman

JEWISH CENTER WOMEN FUND

In honor of

Ziona Silverman on her special birthday from Helaine and Hanan Isaacs

LIFE AND LEGACY ENDOWMENT FUND In honor of

Norma Saks on the Bar Mitzvah of her grandson, Luca Saks

from Linda and Art Meisel
Dave Saltzman for playing piano at the
Jewish Community Foundation event on
May 23rd

from The Jewish Community
Foundation of Greater Mercer
Judi and Bernie Fleitman on their new
adventures

from Linda and Art Meisel
Our two musicians, Matt Davis and
Daniel Johnson, who add so much joy and
spirit to our Friday evening service

from Marsha and Eliot Freeman Sara and Steven Just on the birth of their grandson, Theodor Lev

from Marsha and Eliot Freeman our Aliyah on Shavuot

from Marsha and Eliot Freeman

In memory of

Michael J. Falk

from Jonathan Zacks, Michael and Lori Feldstein, The Life & Legacy Team of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation, Debbie Lewittes and Edward Eigen, Jay and Ginger Schnitzer, Joan Levin, Lee and Sherry, Rosalind and Jack Zacks, Joe and Barbara Schwartz, Evy and Lenny Grossman, Sandy Fried, Harriet and Sandy Mall, Debbie and Randy Brett, Linda and Art Meisel

Michael Rappeport

from Joan Levin, Lew and Barbara Gantwerk, Marsha and Eliot Freeman Ethel Kessler

from Marsha and Eliot Freeman

NEIMARK SENIOR MITZVAH FUND

In memory of

Michael Rappeport from Amy Bursky Fred Safir from Francine Safir

PRAYERBOOK FUND In honor of

Rabbi Robert Freedman for tutoring Larry on the Haftorah

from Larry Weiner and Myra Weiner Avi Paradise for tutoring Larry on the Haftorah

from Larry Weiner and Myra Weiner Rabbi Merow for your support and leadership

from Larry Weiner and Myra Weiner

In memory of

Mark Levin

from Joan Levin and Family

RABBI ADAM FELDMAN MEMORIAL FUND In memory of

Kenwood A. Hanson from Christine Kaufman

RABBI MEROW'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

from Eli Katz

In honor of

Rabbi Merow for graciously taking the time to lead my parents' unveiling from Seth Fishman and Anna Kitces

In memory of

Michael Falk

from Kathy Sarlson, Harold Grinspoon Foundation Merle Rose

from Adam Seiden

Michael Rappeport

from Richard Levine and Kathy Ales Maurice M. Levy

from Beverly Levy Beer

RABBI TUCKER LIFE CYCLE FUND

In honor of

Martha Friedman and Harold Heft on the birth of their grandson, Maxwell Ezra

from Helaine and Hanan Isaacs Suzanne Esterman and The Kiddush Krew from Sara Gordon Laurence Modiano on the birth of his first grandchild

from Sara Gordon

In memory of

Florence Cummins from Sara Gordon Irwin Gordon from Sara Gordon

RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS FUND In memory of

Florence Cummins

from Lew and Barbara Gantwerk,

Debbie and Randy Brett

Mollie Scheider

from Laura and Ron Sucher

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND In honor of

Sharon Diamondstein for her leadership of Intergenerational Better Together from Judy and Mike Leopold

SHABBAT LUNCHEON FUND In honor of

Larry Weiner for reading the Haftorah on June 1

from Myra Weiner Everyone who wished me a speedy recovery

from Myra Weiner

the Gil Gordon Congregants of the Year: The Kiddush Krew

from Abbye and Joshua Cornfield

Judi Fleitman's many contributions to TJC from Bernie Fleitman

Debbie and Randy Brett for their kindness in all they do

from Suzanne Esterman and John McKeegan The wedding of Rachel Sanborn and Joe Petraroli

from Abbye and Josh Cornfield Rabbi Merow's Leadership from Joel Deitz and Barbara Berko

In memory of

Ralph T. Heymsfeld
from Joel Heymsfeld
Elaine Antebi
from Joe and Barbara Schwartz
Florence Cummins
from Abbye and Joshua Cornfield
Michael Rappeport
from Judy and Mike Leopold

SOCIAL ACTION FUND In honor of

Alison and David Politziner on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Ella Cheslock

from Joan Levin, Seva and Peter Kramer

The Aliyah given to Jeff Margolis from The Margolis Family

In memory of

Michael Rappeport from Linda and Art Meisel, Ruth and Philip Holmes

SOCIAL ACTION - HOUSING FUND

In memory of

Florence Cummins from Avi Paradise and Debbie Freedman

TORAH REPAIR FUND

from Anonymous

In memory of

June Slavin

from Mindy and Corey Langer

*This gift is from a Donor Advised Fund at the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Mercer.









At our TJC Gan (Garden) for All, we grow veggies and deliver them to the JFCS Food Pantry and to the Princeton United Methodist Cornerstone Kitchen.

Planting, Building, Weeding, Watering, Harvesting, Supporting—assistance for all of this is needed. Whether you can come once or all through the season, please let us know if you are interested.

Contact: Wilma Solomon wsolomon84@gmail.com



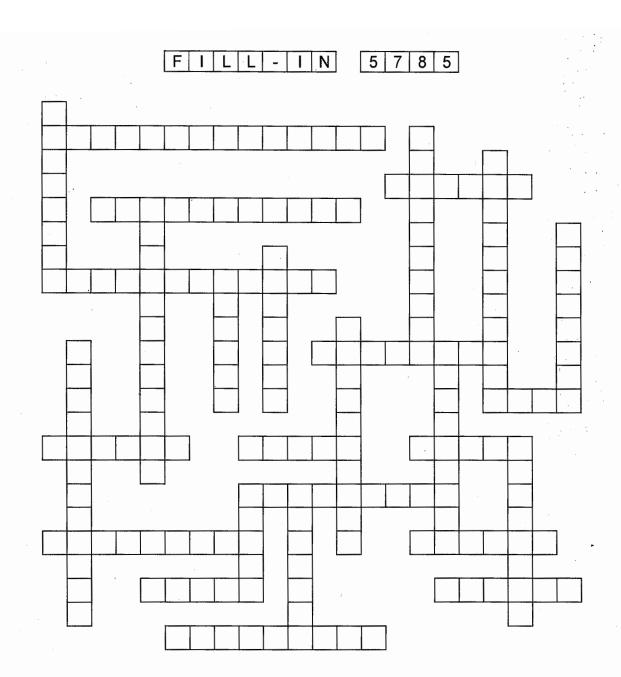




Thurs. September 19 9:30-11 A.M. on Zoom

"What I learned my first year as President and what to expect in year 2"

TJC President Heidi Joseph Join (b)



Word list:

AARON ABRAHAM APPLESANDHONEY ATONEMENT
BURNINGBUSH DAYSOFAWE FASTING FORGIVENESS
GOLDENCALF HIGHHOLYDAYS JONAH KOLNIDRE MOSES
MOUNTSINAI ROSHHASHANAH SARAH SHANATOVA
SHEVARIM SHOFAR SIMCHASTORAH SINS SUKKOT
TASHLICH TEKIAH TERUAH TWOGOATS YIZKOR YOMKIPPUR

TJC Trivia Contest Winner from the Summer edition is Marc Schwarzman! He will receive a bottle of wine from TJC. Below are the answers from last month.

TJC Trivia contest by Dave Saltzman

Your	Name ANSWER KEY	
1.	What was the first Hebrew congregation in Princeton? BNAI ZION	
2.	Which is neither the current nor a past address for The Jewish Center/predecesso 35 Witherspoon StreetX_ 27 North Harrison Street (It's a fire statio 61 Olden Avenue (Street) 435 Nassau Street	rs n
3.	Of numbers from 1 (ONE) to 1,000,000 (ONE MILLION), how do you spell the highest number that doesn't include the letter N ?EIGHTY EIGHT (88)	
4.	Princeton was originally named The College of New Jersey. What is the original name of each of these other colonial schools: Rutgers, Yale, Columbia, Harvard, and Univ. of Pennsylvania? Write an R, Y, C, H and P next to your choices. Choose from these 8 (3 are incorrect): New England AcademyH New CollegeP College of Philadelphia Atlantic PedagogyY Collegiate SchoolC Kings CollegeR Queens College Friends University	of.
5.	Ivy League school with the first kosher kitchen?Princeton Year?1971_	_
6.	88 keys on a typical piano. How many keys are Black?36 White?52	
7.	In the 1970s, a railroad in Michigan sued a rock and roll band to stop using the nar of the railroad as the name of their band. What was the railroad's name AND what name did the band change it to? Grand Trunk Railroad → Grand Funk Railroad	t
8.	What is the name of the President of Israel?Isaac Herzog	
9.	What is the name of the announcer on Shark Tank?Phil Crowley	
10	Besides Giants and Jets, who use NY in their name, 3 NFL franchises team named for state, not city:Arizona Cardinals, Minnesota Vikings, Tennessee Titans_	t
Using solution	reaker / extra credit: 613 is a very significant number in Judaism. only exactly 7 4's and no other digits, calculate the number 613. We've found 3 and so far: $ \frac{1}{(4!+4)} = 613 $	



DATE	SPEAKER	AFFILIATION	TOPIC	CONTACT
Sept 5, 2024	Prof. Deborah	Professor of	The	Kathryn
	Pearlstein	Law and Co-	Democracy	Trenner
		Director of the	Effects of a	
		Floersheimer	Polarized	
		Center for	Legal	
		Constitutional	Profession	
		Democracy		
Sept 19,	Gina Kolata	Senior Medical		Kathryn
2024		Writer, New		Trenner
		York Times		
October 22,	Steve	MSNBC	2024	Woody
2024	Kornacki		Elections	Beenstock

HAVURAH MINYAN

Our service will resume on September 14 and will take place beginning at 10:00 a.m. on the **first** and **third** Shabbat of every month in the Adult Library and via Zoom.

MEETING ID = 861 4274 5562

Passcode = 311195

7:30 p.m.

via Zoom.

August 20, via Zoom

The Collector by Daniel Silva

Johannes Vermeer's 1664 masterpiece "The Concert" was stolen from the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in 1990. That real - still unsolved - case is at the heart of Daniel Silva's new thriller, *The Collector*. Despite his initial reluctance, art restorer and former Israeli intelligence officer Gabriel Allon is enlisted to hunt down the painting, along with an unexpected collaborator. (NPR)



September 17, via Zoom

This Magnificent Dappled Sea by David Biro

In a small Italian village, nine-year-old Luca Taviano catches a stubborn cold and is subsequently diagnosed with leukemia. After an exhaustive search, a match turns up 3000 miles away in the form of an unlikely donor: Joseph Neiman, a rabbi in Brooklyn, New York, who is suffering from a debilitating crisis of faith. As Luca's young nurse, Nina Vocelli, risks her career and races against time to help save the spirited redheaded boy, she uncovers terrible secrets from World War II — secrets that reveal how a Catholic boy could have Jewish genes. - (Jewish Book Council)





For future planning, save these dates and read these books:

October 15 – The Storyteller by Jody Picoult

November 19 – *The Collector's Apprentice* by B.A. Shapiro

December 17 – The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store by James

McBride





All are welcome to join our Book Club Discussions. Please contact Louise Sandburg for more information: louise@sandsmith.com





SPONSORED BY THE MENS CLUB, JCW, AND SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024 AT 5:30 PM

TOPIC: THE MT. LAUREL DOCTRINE, NEW JERSEY'S GROUNDBREAKING AFFORDABLE HOUSING MODEL SPEAKER: ADAM GORDON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FAIR SHARE HOUSING CENTER

PIZZA, SNACKS AND DRINKS WILL BE
PROVIDED
RSVP ON SHULCLOUD
DEADLINE OCTOBER 15





Volunteer Opportunities at TJC

Join us. Roll up your sleeves. Get involved. The Jewish Center is reaching out to everyone to get more involved and help create a more vibrant community. But we can't do it without you.

Ask not what The Jewish Center can do for you, ask what you can do as part of The Jewish Center.

Here are some ways you can get involved. Please email me at heidi78m@yahoo.com. We will then be in touch and get you involved.

- 1. Usher at Shabbat services--we need two people each Shabbat to welcome members as we reopen our services. Services begin at 9:30 a.m.
- 2. Greeter for Friday night services! How lovely to see old familiar faces and meet new friends. Friday night services will be outside during the summer (weather permitting) and we need greeters. Services begin at 6:30 p.m.
- 3. Serve on any of our committees: School, Religious Affairs, Membership, Fundraising, Finance, JCW, Men's Club, Adult Education, Arts and Culture, Social Action. Help shape the programs and events you want to see happen at TJC.
- 4. Be a part of Chavurat Chesed! This group of "Mitzvah Makers" is here to provide help to our senior members. Rides to doctors, rides to services and more. The more help the better.
- 5. Be a Green Events coordinator--help TJC follow the value of Baal Tashhit (do not destroy) by helping organizers of events make planning decisions through the lens of sustainability
- 6. Membership calls--like to connect with others? We need people to call and check in on fellow TJCers. Monthly calls are welcome.
- 7. Welcome new members Volunteer to call new members.

- 8. Be a barista Help maintain and supply our new Café in the outside lobby.
- 9. Like to work with food and friends? Join the Kiddush Krew on Friday mornings when they make our delicious kiddush spreads.
- 10. Purim--need we say more? There is ALWAYS a ton of opportunities to join the fun and help with Purim. The carnival always needs volunteers.
- 11. Chanukkah -- Spread the light by helping at Chanukkah events
- 12. Collections/ Drives--we have plenty of revolving drives that need help with organizing, staffing, and logistics. Or maybe come up with one on your own!
- 13. Help get the word out! We need help with Publicity and Marketing for all of our events and programs. Posting on Facebook and all social media sites to spread the word.
- 14. Annual Fund committee Help develop a culture of giving at TJC for our Annual appeal.
- 15. Got a green thumb (or want to learn how to have one)? Help grow food pantry food in TJC's garden with our team of gardeners!
- 16. Want to enhance your child's Religious School experience and meet other families? We need Class parents for all grade levels.
- 17. Like to spread joy? Help us create and distribute Shalach Manot on Purim, Chanukkah & Purim packages for our college kids, and welcome bags for new members.
- 18. Like to work with your hands? Help put up and take down TJC's sukkah.
- 19. Are you creative? Help decorate TJC's sukkah.
- 20. Interested in securing our campus? Join the security committee.

Email Heidi Joseph at heidi78m@yahoo.com and let her know how you can help.









As we approach the High Holidays, it's a time to reflect on the importance of The Jewish Center to you and your family.

We are grateful to all who have made a Life & Legacy Promise to sustain TJC into the next generation.

ANONYMOUS (5) THERES AND STUART AXELROD ALEXANDRA AND BARAK BAR-COHEN VICTORIA B. BERGMAN BEATRICE AND MICHAEL BLOOM MADELEINE BOPP Z"L HAROLD BORKAN Z"L CHARLENE AND SCOTT BORSACK SALLY STEINBERG-BRENT AND DANIEL BRENT **DEBORAH AND RANDALL BRETT** THE CARCHMAN FAMILY **EVE COULSON** FRANCES ZEITLER EDELMAN MAXINE Z"L AND STEPHEN Z"L FARMER **RUTH FATH Z"L** RABBI ADAM FELDMAN Z"L LORI AND MICHAEL FELDSTEIN JOANNE FISHBANE AND RICHARD FISHBANE Z"L JUDITH AND BERNARD FLEITMAN MARSHA AND ELIOT FREEMAN MARTHA FRIEDMAN AND HAROLD HEFT BARBARA AND LEW GANTWERK **EILEEN AND ROBERT GARBER** DAVID GOLDFARB IRENE GOLDFARB AND SAMUEL GOLDFARB Z"L MICHAEL AND NAOMI GOLDIN ELLEN GORDON AND GIL GORDON Z"L FELICE GORDON AND ALVIN GORDON Z"L **EVELYN AND LEONARD GROSSMAN** MAXINE GURK Z"L **CAROL AND HERB HOROWITZ** HELAINE ISAACS ELISABETH JOSEPH Z"L HEIDI JOSEPH AND DAVID SALTZMAN FLORENCE AND STEVEN KAHN JONATHON KAHN HARRIET KASS AND ALAN MEDVIN PHYLLIS Z"L AND JEROME Z"L KURSHAN DONNA LAURIE

JUDY AND MICHAEL LEOPOLD JOAN LEVIN JUDITH AND MOSHE MARGOLIN LINDA AND ARTHUR MEISEL MARINA MENAKER Z"L WENDY AND MARK MERKOVITZ NAOMI RICHMAN NEUMANN AND JERRY NEUMANN IRVING NEWMAN Z"L NANCY OSBORN ALISON AND DAVID POLITZINER CAROL AND MARK POLLARD RHONA AND ALLEN PORTER SANDIE RABINOWITZ **ROGIE AND MARTIN ROME** LYNNE ROSS AMY RUBIN **RONA AND JEFFREY SANDS** LYNN JOY SAPOFF GINGER AND JAY SCHNITZER JUDITH AND MARTIN SCHWARTZ DINA LEWISOHN SHAW JANE A. SILVERMAN ZIONA SILVERMAN AND RABBI DAVID SILVERMAN Z"L PERRISUE AND VICTOR SILVERSTEIN LISA AND ANDREW SMUKLER HAZEL SHERWIN STIX POLLY AND RICK STRAUSS RITA SWIRSKY MARISSA AND JESSE TREU ROBIN LIEBMANN WALLACK AND ALAN WALLACK SUKI AND MATTHEW WASSERMAN MYRA WEINER **NEIL WISE AUDREY WISOTSKY** AMY AND ERAN ZACKS PAMELA ZAIFMAN



You too can join this list by scanning the QR code or visiting https://bit.ly/Digitalpromiseform







Shema Yoga with Eleni Litt at The Jewish Center

Weekly on Fridays 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Shema Yoga, developed by Eleni Litt, infuses the practice of yoga with a Jewish sensibility. Shema Yoga is a gentle yoga practice for all ages and bodies. No registration is needed, and newcomers are always welcome! Bring a friend!

Eleni is a longtime member of The Jewish Center and a registered yoga teacher with Yoga Alliance (RYT, 200 hrs).

Feel free to contact Eleni: ezlitt@gmail.com

You are invited to a special performance of: "Here There Are Blueberries"

McCarter Theatre Center

Feb. 2, 2025 @ 2pm

McCarter Theatre

in partnership with

The Jewish Federation of Princeton Mercer Bucks and
The Board of Rabbis of Greater Mercer

Invites you to a performance, conversation and reception with the cast of this Pulitzer Prize finalist show about a mysterious album of photographs and what they reveal about the perpetrators of the Holocaust, and our own humanity.

For best seating in our dedicated block ... Purchase tickets below with link.



Click the link below to access the exclusive block of tickets available for the Feb 2nd event. Tickets are \$68, \$63 & \$53 inclusive of the talk and private reception.

NOTE: The link has a unique promo code TJF25 built in that takes you directly to the page to select seats. If you choose not to book through this link, you must use the code to access the tickets within the block that also include the reception.

JOIN US!

If you have previously ordered tickets, you may call the box office at (609-258-2787) and exchange them for the February 2 performance at no additional cost. When exchanging your tickets mention the code **TJF25.**





85+ Senior Lunch Group

The High Holidays 5785!

With Rabbi Merow and Avi Paradise. "Getting you ready!"

Wednesday, Sept 18 Noon - 2:00 p.m.

Bring your own dairy or pareve lunch, we'll provide the beverages and dessert

At The Jewish Center - Adult Library

Rides Available Upon Request

RSVP and Questions? Call the office at 609-921-0100





Would you like to read Torah? Would you like to LEARN to read Torah? When was your Bar/Bat Mitzvah? How about a Haftarah?



Please help us expand our Torah and chanting lineup and let us know how you can assist.

Come back on your Bar/Bat Mitzvah anniversary, a birthday or anniversary or any special occasion to have an *aliyah* or to read Torah.

Contact Nancy Lewis at: Nancy.nehama@gmail.com



Thank you for bringing your McCaffrey's receipts to TJC! We appreciate you thinking of us whenever you shop.

Now collecting for September-October 2024.

Please do not bring in older receipts.

Receipts with discounts cannot be accepted.

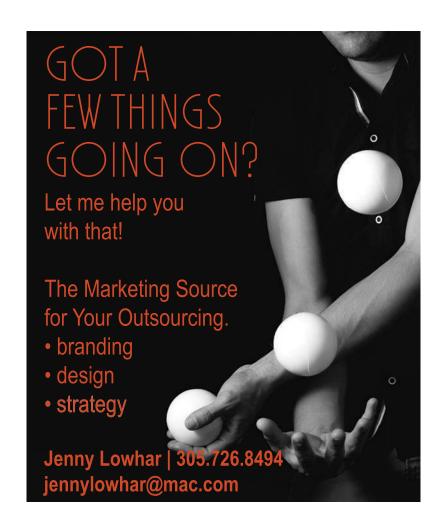
Thank you!

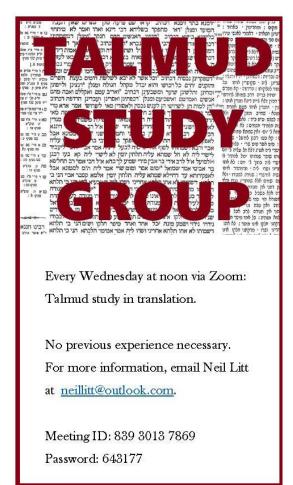
Would you like to sort? We are looking for volunteers to help sort receipts. Contact Roni at vgarrison@ thejewishcenter.org

Cemetery Plots for Sale!

The Jewish Center has 25 plots available for sale at Beth Israel Cemetery in Woodbridge, NJ.

If you are interested in purchasing plots, please reach out to Joel Berger at jberger@thejewishcenter.org









Personalize a

BRICK PAVER

on our

"TJC community walkway"

Perfect for birthdays, anniversaries, b'nai mitzvah, and special occasions—A special way to forever commemorate a loved one.

- Small brick (7.5 x 15) -\$250 four lines of text, up to 20 characters/line
- Medium brick (15 x 15) -\$500 six lines of text, up to 20 characters/line
- Large brick (15 x 22) \$750
 six lines of text, up to 30 characters/line

Contact the office for more information: info@thejewishcenter.org

Each and every person is the king or queen of their own home.



-Avot De Rebbe Natan

Heidi Joseph Sales Associate, REALTOR®

Office: 609.924.1600 Mobile: 609.613.1663 heidi.joseph@foxroach.com

Insist on ... Heidi Joseph.



BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY | Fox & Roach, REALTORS



PRINCETON OFFICE I 253 Nassau Street I Princeton, NJ 08540 609.924.1600 I www.foxroach.com

©2013 An independently operated subsidiary of HomeServices of America, Inc., a Berkshire Hathaway affiliate, and a franchisee of BHH Affiliates, LLC. Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices and the Berkshire Hathaway HomeServ symbol are registered service marks of HomeServices of America, Inc.º Equal Housing Opportunity. Information not verified or guaranteed. If your home is currently listed with a Broker, this is not intended as a solicitation.

椬₪

From a Fortune[™] 100 CEO to the HQ for Your Top Dog

WE INSURE THEM.



As part of one of the nation's largest property and casualty insurance brokers, CBIZ Borden Perlman combines national resources with local, personalized service. Licensed in 50 states, we work tirelessly to insure what's important to you.

CBIZ BORDEN PERLMAN PERSONAL INSURANCE SERVICES:

Home | Auto | Valuables

Kathy Vik, Personal Risk Advisor 609.493.7972 | Kathy.Vik@cbizBP.com | CBIZ.com/BordenPerlman



BLOOM WHERE YOU'RE PLANTED AND GROW!

I will donate \$180 in honor of each of my TJC clients who buy or sell a home this year. The donation will be made to the fund of their choice.



Contact me to schedule a FREE confidential consultation Office: 609-921-1900 | Cell: 609-577-2989 | info@BeatriceBloom.com | BeatriceBloom.com



ADVERTISE WITH US! Please support our advertisers.

If you'd like to advertise in our full-color bulletin, printed six times a year, please contact our TJC office at (609) 921-0100 or info@thejewishcenter.org.



Zamru Led Service

Join us at The Jewish Center for a Zamru led service!

Fridays, 6:30 p.m.

September 27



Do you know someone who is ill or in the hospital?

Email Rabbi Merow at RAM@thejewishcenter.org to let us know.

Robert Platzman, D.O.



Board Certified in Internal Medicine Board Certified and Fellowship Trained in Geriatric Medicine

- · Caring for Adults and Elderly
- New Patients Welcomed

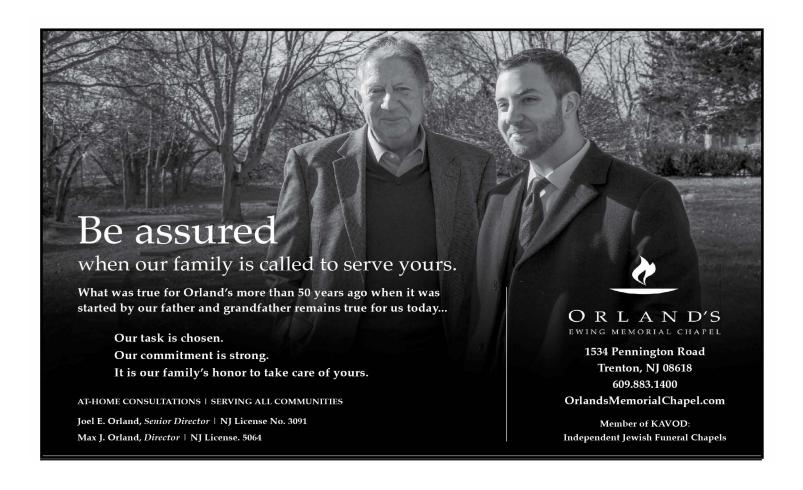
Insurances Accepted

 Emergency Visits Accommodated
 Medicare, Aetna, Horizon, United Healthcare and Most Other

601 Ewing Street, Suite C-7 Princeton, NJ 08540 Tel: (609) 921-8766

Affiliated with The University Medical Center at Princeton
"Delivering Quality Healthcare with Compassion"









Non-Profit Organization U.S. Postage PAID Permit No. 172 Princeton, NJ

OR CURRENT RESIDENT

.

TIME VALUE

Contributions

☐ Marchand Espir Family Holocaust

The Jewish Center Princeton

Education Fund

Donate in Honor of our Diamond Jubilee!

*Now you can donate through our website.

Go to www.thejewishcenter.org and follow the instructions!

The Jewish Center is grateful for the many donations that you give both in honor of joyous occasions and in memory of beloved family and friends. To make the logistics easier and the gifting choices clearer, a donor form is printed on the back of each monthly newsletter. Donor forms are also available in the Main Office. We thank you for the generosity that goes into each of these donations!

Your name(s) as you would like it to appear in newsletter:											
Donor's Address:											
Occasion: In memory of: In honor of: Name(s) as you would like it to appear in newsletter:											
Send donation acknowledgement to:											
(A beautiful new tribute card will be sent for newsletter for any donated amount.)	contributions of \$18 or more. A listing will be	posted as you would like i	t to appear in the								
Amount Enclosed:											
Please indicate your choice below and m	ail this form and a check to The Jewish Cer pportunities, please call The Jewish Cent										
Funds	☐ Men's Club	☐ Torah Repair Fund									
☐ General Fund	□ Neimark Senior Mitzvah Fund	☐ Youth and Family Pro	grams								
☐ Bimah Accessibility Project	☐ New Siddur (\$36) New Chumash (\$75)										
☐ Adult Education Fund	New Machzor (\$36)	Plaques and Remembrances									
☐ Adult Library	□ Rabbi Merow's Discretionary Fund	☐ Memorial Plaque \$350									
☐ Annual Fund	 Rabbi Feldman Memorial Fund 	☐ Tree of Life Leaf \$216									
☐ Apartment Construction Fund	□ Rabbi Tucker Life Cycle Fund	(to commemorate a s	simcha)								
☐ Arts & Cultural Affairs	□ Religious Affairs Fund	Kiddush Community	DIAMOND JUBILEE /1949-2024								
☐ Fran Amir Community Service Trip Fund	☐ Religious School Fund	☐ Friend \$180									
☐ Hachutzah Exploratory Trail Fund	☐ Sapoff Art Purchase & Restoration Fund	☐ Contributor \$360									
☐ Hazzan's Music Fund	☐ The Schnitzer Family Shekel Fund	☐ Supporter \$540									
☐ Irving N. Rabinowitz Conversational	for Adventures in Israel	☐ Macher \$1000	Scan code to donate								
Hebrew Fund	☐ Shabbat Luncheon Fund		via phone or tablet.								
☐ Israeli Affairs Fund	☐ Silver Circle Scholarship Fund	Brick Pavers	回数数回								
☐ Jess & Marion Epstein Lunch & Learn Fund	☐ Social Action	☐ Small - \$250	三天 海洋水平								
☐ The Jewish Center Refugee Fund	☐ Social Action - Housing Fund	☐ Medium - \$500									
☐ Jewish Center Women	$\hfill \square$ Steven Levine Special Education Fund	□ Large - \$750	可经验								
☐ Life and Legacy Endowment Fund	☐ Tchelet Tzitzit Fund		and the second								