

# The Bulletin



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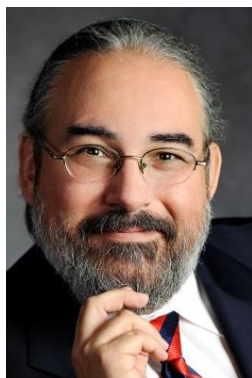
February 2015



## Congregation B'nai Israel L'Dor V'Dor Speaker Series

Sunday, February 8, 2015

Breakfast at 9:15 a.m. // Presentation at 10:00 a.m.



**Brad Hirschfield**

Rabbi, Author and President,  
Clal-The National Jewish Center for Learning and  
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### Check Your Core Values at the Door What are the Common Denominators in American Jewry?

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This event is free and open to the public.

Please [RSVP](#) by February 2 at [www.cbi-nj.org](http://www.cbi-nj.org).

*Listed for many years in Newsweek as one of America's "50 Most Influential Rabbis," and recognized as one of our nation's leading "Preachers & Teachers" by Beliefnet.com, Rabbi Brad Hirschfield is the author of "You Don't Need to be Wrong for Me to Be Right: Finding Faith Without Fanaticism," and the Co-founder and Executive Editor of The Wisdom Daily website. Rabbi Hirschfield is the President of Clal-The National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership, a leadership training institute, think tank and resource center committed to religious pluralism and the healthier use of religion in American public life. An expert of religion and public life as well as an interfaith activist, Hirschfield speaks and consults widely on the American spiritual landscape and political and social trends.*



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Purim Fun

for Everyone!



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Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

## Family Purim Extravaganza

10:00 a.m. – Purim Shpiel in Sanctuary  
Annual CBI Tradition...For ALL Families and Children!!!  
"Vashti's Revenge: Part 2"

Written, Directed and Performed by BBRS Madrakim!

10:30 a.m. – Purim Costume Parade

10:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Purim Carnival  
(\$10 per person / \$35 family max / includes lunch)

Games! Arts & Crafts! Prizes!  
Face Painting! Magician!  
Lunch Cafe! Cotton Candy!



Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>

6:30 p.m.

### Children's Purim Service (in costume!)

Hamantashen & Treats (in MPR) immediately following Service

7:30 p.m.

### Congregation Megillah Reading

Festive Oneg (in Social Hall) immediately following Megillah Reading  
Hamantashen, Food and Drink...of course!



## Shabbat Services

Kabbalat Shabbat	8:15 pm
Shabbat Morning	9:00 am
Tefilot Yeladim (Grades 3-6)	10:15 am
Tefilot Ketanim (K-2)	10:30 am
Tot Shabbat (Preschool)	10:30 am
Shabbat Journeys Minyan (2/14)	10:45 am
Yaldeinu (2/7)	10:30 am

## Candle Lighting

February 6	5:02 pm
February 13	5:11 pm
February 20	5:27 pm
February 27	5:27 pm

## Mincha/Havdallah

February 7	5:17 pm/6:17 pm
February 14	5:26 pm/6:26 pm
February 21	5:42pm/6:42 pm
February 28	5:42pm/6:42 pm

## Minyan Rotation

Shaykevich – Smith	February 1 – February 7
Solomon – Szerlip	February 8 – February 14
Talpins – Weiner	February 15 – February 21
Weinstein – Winnik	February 22 – February 28

This is a reminder that you are scheduled on the Minyan Rotation List for this month. **We urge you to make every effort to attend minyan, the times are listed below.**

Morning Minyan	Evening Minyan
7:10 am Mon. & Thurs.	8:00 pm Sun.-Thur.
7:15 am Tues., Wed. & Fri.	
8:30 am Sun.	

## Let's Kvell Together!

Send us your simchas!  
New baby, engagement, marriage,  
anniversary, milestone birthday...  
Special honor or recognition  
in the community...  
**You get the idea!**

Share your joy with your CBI  
family... let's kvell together!  
Send your information to:  
Ana Amorim at [anaa@cbi-nj.org](mailto:anaa@cbi-nj.org).

## FROM THE RABBI'S DEN

By Rabbi Steven Bayar



In my first weeks in the congregational rabbinate after my ordination I was confronted with several intense emotional experiences. I watched a baby die, performed a messy divorce and wedding involving the same couple and dealt with serious problems that had built up while the previous rabbi had been gone. I came through and to my everlasting surprise, did no harm to any of the families involved because I had been taught the basic skill of "When in doubt call an expert." I came to realize that there was no adequate preparation for the rabbinate, except experience.

After surviving those initial crises I began to ask myself serious questions about the role of the rabbi. How do I cope with what is expected of me? How do I give my all on limited resources? How do I keep my job and my self respect? How can I truly reach out and affect people so as to bring Judaism into their lives in a meaningful way?

Most rabbis feel that the sermon is the most effective means of making a difference in the lives of their congregants. However pulpit speaking takes up only the shortest period of time during our week. We may spend several hours or days preparing a sermon yet even the most long winded of us will not take much more than twenty minutes to present it. Twenty minutes of direct contact with a congregation each week, no matter how intense is not going to have much of a lasting effect. Twenty minutes of individual consultation or tutorial is of much greater value. For better or worse the liberal American rabbinate can no longer be sermon oriented. Liberal Jews are not as approachable through this medium as they were twenty years ago. As the needs of congregants change the rabbi is called upon to be more versatile in meeting those needs. The sermon is only one means at the rabbi's disposal and it is questionable whether it is the most effective one.

While the rabbi may no longer stand at the center of a complex and diversified Jewish community, he/she is the key figure for many Jews who are in search of meaning within their faith. If every contact is meaningful Judaically then the rabbi is constantly onstage. This may be the philosophy of many but not, in my opinion, the most effective one.

NOTE: This is the beginning of an article I wrote on the Rabbinate for "Rayanot" magazine 30 years ago. The next installment will appear in my blog.

Steven Bayar



## MUSICAL NOTES

By Cantor Lorna Wallach

Most Jews are familiar with the Biblical verse “Sh'ma Yisrael Adonai Eloheinu Adonai Echad.” In the verses that follow this sentence, in Deuteronomy 6, verses 5 – 9, is the phrase “uk'shartam l'ot al yadekha, v'hayu l'totafot bayn einekha.” “And you shall bind them as a sign upon your hand, and they shall be a reminder between your eyes.” This is of course referring to the mitzvah of Tefillin. Tefillin are ritual objects worn for weekday Shacharit (morning prayers) and are usually introduced at bar or bat mitzvah age. They consist of two small black boxes (bayit) made from layers of parchment that are sealed and lacquered and attached to leather straps. Inside the boxes are scrolls of parchment inscribed with four passages from the Torah (from the books of Exodus and Deuteronomy).



The mitzvah of wrapping Tefillin is one of the most basic Jewish rituals. Years ago, it was not necessary to offer special instruction on the significance of and the “mechanics” of wearing Tefillin. Children saw their fathers and grandfathers wearing them for the daily morning prayers and the boys knew that when they became Bar Mitzvah they would take on this commandment together with all the other commandments. Yet for many of us today, the practice of wearing Tefillin is removed from our daily lives; somehow a relic of the past rather than a vibrant and vital spiritual experience.

I must admit that when I first began wearing Tefillin ( I was 23 years old!) it felt strange and uncomfortable. As I became more accustomed to wearing them regularly, and as the skill of wrapping them around my arm and hand became more second nature to me, I learned to appreciate this ancient ritual and get to a point in my life where now, when I recite the daily morning prayers, I feel strange and out of place if I'm not wearing my Tefillin. Putting on Tefillin (and a Tallit) is like a way of praying to God with what we wear. In his book, *To Pray as a Jew*, Rabbi Hayim Donin suggests that Tallit and Tefillin are like a uniform worn by soldiers in the army. When wearing a uniform, one is especially mindful to whom one owes one's allegiance.

At B'nai Israel, we should be proud of the fact that we sustain a daily morning minyan, which, by the way, could use some more attendees as there are always people needing to say Kaddish and we have fewer “regulars” who can attend as frequently as they used to. Some, though not all, of the attendees put on Tefillin. While men are obligated to perform this commandment, as the case with many other mitzvot, women can take on these obligations and then consider themselves “equally obligated.” Taking on a new ritual is not necessarily easy to do. The best way to learn how to put on Tefillin is to have someone show you how it's done. Similar to learning how to ride a bicycle, if someone just explains how it's done you still won't “get it” until you've tried it and practiced it for a while. CBI's Men's Club brought the “World Wide Wrap” program, sponsored by the Conservative Movement, to our congregation several years ago to help teach and inspire our members to perform this mitzvah. This year, on **Sunday morning, February 1**, Men's Club will once again offer this program in our congregation. I encourage everyone to participate, whether you've never

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## In The Community

### Mazel Tov to:

Jackie Fried on being honored as Millburn-Short Hills Hadassah Chapter Woman of the Year.

### Refuah Shleima to:

Irving Alper, Mort Gershman, Gloria Segel and Sharon Sloan.

### Condolences to:

Lisa and Larry Roth on the passing of her beloved mother-in-law/mother, Annette Roth.

Jonathan Engel on the passing of his beloved mother, Diana Engel.

Ross Silver on the passing of his father, Norman Silver.

Bill Glasofer on the passing of his beloved mother, Frieda Glasofer.

Flo Ellen Maslow on the passing of her beloved mother, Lillian Epstein Mangel.

Rosalind Buck on the passing of her beloved father, Norman Arons.

Ron Arons on the passing of his beloved father, Norman Arons.

If you would like to have a tribute card sent to any of the families listed above in memoriam or in honor of a life cycle event, you may make donations online at: [www.cbi-nj.org](http://www.cbi-nj.org) or contact the synagogue office at 973-379-3811.

## Mi Sheberach

One of the least known liturgical functions of a congregation involves the “Mi Shebarach:” the prayer asking God to heal those who are ill. Congregation B'nai Israel has a “Mi Shebarach” list that is read at services on Monday, Thursday and Shabbat mornings.

We ask members of the congregation to inform us of those they would like placed on the list. If there is anyone you feel would benefit from these weekly prayers, please contact Rabbi Bayar by phone (973-379-3811) or email ([cbirabbi@cbi-nj.org](mailto:cbirabbi@cbi-nj.org)) with the name.

## President's Message

By Andrea Hirschfeld, CBI President

I have no words to fully describe my experience leading our community. I imagine that every president could say this for one reason or another, whether it is because of how outside pressures that world politics and economics can impact people, internal staffing or financial issues, or just the day to day experience of being responsible for the well-being of our members. We are incredibly fortunate to have staff and lay-leaders who are dedicated and caring, understand that transitions don't last forever and put the welfare of the community first and foremost – spending countless hours and energy working together for everyone's benefit.

With Rabbi Kornsgold's departure mid-year, I am emotionally overwhelmed not only by the concern from our members about how I was doing, but tremendous support from everyone to volunteer time and service. With the show of concern and support, I certainly never felt alone in my role as President. I, and we as a community, cannot thank you all enough.

And so, it has been a remarkable start to the beginning of the calendar year - a time most of us celebrate a new year with family and friends. Working with our group of Emerging Leaders through the



United Synagogue Sulam program has been life-altering as I learn with them. The questions we are asking through torah study about the priorities in our lives gives me pause to also question and confirm my dedication to my role as your president, this community, and the broader Jewish community. Participation is a key ingredient - prioritizing time, even just a little, to include Jewish life in any way nourishes something many of us take for granted. I am grateful for this opportunity to engage and learn with our future leaders in this personal way.

I look forward to welcoming you all at brunch on February 8th before hearing Rabbi Brad Hirschfeld speak in response to the Pew study about future engagement of Jews beyond our synagogue walls. He is a dynamic speaker and it promises to be a thought provoking talk.

And in that vain, bring your friends to our Purim Carnival on March 1 which will be a fun-filled morning showcasing many of the groups of our shul community beginning with our Madrichim produced and directed Purim Schpiel!

As always - please contact me should you have any questions, concerns or ideas!

Warm regards,

Andrea Hirschfeld

### Publicity Guidelines

If you would like a copy of CBI's new Publicity Guidelines, please contact Ana Amorim, Membership and Communications Coordinator at [anaa@cbi-nj.org](mailto:anaa@cbi-nj.org).



To contact Andrea Hirschfeld, email her at [cbiandrea@gmail.com](mailto:cbiandrea@gmail.com) or by phone at 973-738-4636



### CBI Chanting Circle

Come to the Chapel **Sunday, February 8th, at 5PM** for our inspirational Hebrew chant and song circle with musical accompaniment.

We will mark Tu B'shevat, the new year for trees, which can be thought of as the Jewish Earth Day. In that spirit, we will explore the magnificence of the natural world and its wonders through the vehicle of song and chant.

Be prepared to sing your heart open, soothe your mind, and let your spirit soar!

No prior knowledge of Hebrew necessary . . . only a willingness to join in spiritual community.

## B'NAI MITZVAH

### Hannah Hirsch February 7 (PM)

Hannah has been a member of the CBI family since kindergarten. Much of her Jewish spirit – including her knowledge of Jewish laws, holidays and prayers - comes from her years at CBI and the wonderful teachers she has had there. Today, Hannah is in 7th Grade at the Millburn Middle School. She enjoys many activities, including reading, art, baking, soccer and horseback riding. Hannah also greatly enjoys travel and made her first trip to Israel last year. For her Bat Mitzvah project, Hannah joined the VolunTweens program, where she works with disadvantaged pre-schoolers in New Jersey. She has found the program very fulfilling and has already signed up for the next session.



### Ryan Potechin February 28 (AM)

Ryan is a seventh grader at Millburn Middle School. He loves all things sports and has a special passion for hockey. He is also musical and plays trumpet in the MMS band as well as violin. Ryan grew up in the CBI community, and has been a regular attendee from birth. For his mitzvah project, Ryan is a regular volunteer as a junior coach for the NJ Dare Devils, an organization that helps special needs children and young adults experience the thrill of hockey. He would like to thank his teachers at Golda Och Academy, Cantor Wallach and Rabbi Bayar for helping him prepare to become a bar mitzvah, as well as his parents and siblings for their help and support.

## 2015 Daily Minyan Rotation

<u>Week</u>	<u>Congregant Last Name</u>	<u>Week</u>	<u>Congregant Last Name</u>
Dec 29 – Jan 3	Noval – Plump	Jul 12 – Jul 18	Retik - Russo
Jan 4 – Jan 10	Podhoretz – Renner	Jul 19 - Jul 25	Sabin – Schneider
Jan 11 – Jan 17	Retik - Russo	Jul 26 - Aug 1	Schor – Shapiro
Jan 18 - Jan 24	Sabin – Schneider	Aug 2 - Aug 8	Shaykevich – Smith
Jan 25 - Jan 31	Schor – Shapiro	Aug 9 - Aug 15	Solomon – Szerlip
Feb 1 - Feb 7	Shaykevich – Smith	Aug 16 - Aug 22	Talpins – Weiner
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Feb 15 - Feb 21	Talpins – Weiner	Aug 30 - Sept 5	Wisenu dal – Zucker
Feb 22 - Feb 28	Weinstein – Winnik	Sept 6 - Sept 8	Abraham – Basarab
Mar 1 - Mar 7	Wisenu dal – Zucker	Sept 9 - Sept 15	Benbasset – Blum
Mar 8 - Mar 14	Abraham – Basarab	Sept 16 - Sept 22	Bolton – Caplan
Mar 15 - Mar 21	Benbasset – Blum	Sept 23 - Sept 29	Casel – Cohen
Mar 22 - Mar 28	Bolton – Caplan	Sept 30 - Oct 3	Cohn – Ehrlich
Mar 29 - Apr 4	Casel – Cohen	Oct 4 - Oct 10	Eichler – Feins
Apr 5 - Apr 11	Cohn – Ehrlich	Oct 11 - Oct 17	Feldman – Freeman
Apr 12 - Apr 18	Eichler – Feins	Oct 18 - Oct 24	Fried – Gershman
Apr 19 - Apr 25	Feldman – Freeman	Oct 25 - Oct 31	Gersho – Gouss
Apr 26 - May 2	Fried – Gershman	Nov 1 - Nov 7	Greenberg – Halpren
May 3 - May 9	Gersho – Gouss	Nov 8 - Nov 15	Hauptman – Jacobs
May 10 - May 16	Greenberg – Halpren	Nov 16 - Nov 22	Jaffe – Keselman
May 17 - May 23	Hauptman – Jacobs	Nov 23 - Nov 29	Kessler – Krauss
May 24 - May 30	Jaffe – Keselman	Nov 30 - Dec 1	Lakin – Lindauer
May 31 - June 6	Kessler – Krauss	Dec 2 - Dec 8	Lipp – McCafferty
Jun 7 - Jun 13	Lakin – Lindauer	Dec 9 - Dec 15	McGarr – Neger
Jun 14 - Jun 20	Lipp – McCafferty	Dec 16 - Dec 22	Noval – Plump
Jun 21 - Jun 27	McGarr – Neger	Dec 23 - Dec 29	Podhoretz – Renner
Jun 28 - Jul 4	Noval – Plump		
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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FEATURING OUR ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE FRIDAY

6:00 pm

MUSICAL SHABBAT SERVICE FOR PRE-SCHOOLERS & YOUNG FAMILIES.

6:30 PM

CONGREGATIONAL SHABBAT DINNER (for all ages)

8:15 pm

KABBALAT SHABBAT/MA'ARIV SERVICE FOLLOWED BY A MUSICAL ONEG (for adults and older elementary age)

## SATURDAY

9:00 am- Shabbat morning services will feature learning and singing. (For adults and older elementary age)

Kiddush lunch and more music will follow. (For all)

### Saturday afternoon

Special events exclusively for USY/Kadima.

### Saturday evening

Melave Malka – a post-Shabbat celebration with wine, cheese, and dessert.

Congregants are invited to bring musical instruments and songs to participate in a jam session.

Sunday: Special musical events for the BBRS.

Friday, March  
20-Sunday,  
March 22

# CBI Artist in Residence Weekend



Featuring JOSH WARSHAWSKY. A musician, Jewish educator, and song leader, Josh Warshawsky is currently Musician-in-Residence at Temple Beth Am in Los Angeles. He has been described as a "breakthrough young talent" known for his "soulful singing" and enthusiasm. Warshawsky is an alumni of Camp Ramah in Wisconsin as well as a graduate of List College, the joint program between Columbia University and the Jewish Theological Seminary with BAs in Religion, and Talmud and Rabbinics. Last year he completed his first CD of original melodies for the liturgy, which can be found on iTunes.

The musical weekend with Josh as Artist-in-Residence at CBI promises to be an entertaining and inspiring experience for all members of the congregation.

For more information about Josh, go to <http://joshwarshawsky.wix.com/music>

For information about the event or to volunteer please contact Paula Touger ([ptouger@gmail.com](mailto:ptouger@gmail.com))

# THE KADIMANIKS ARE COMING!!! THE KADIMANIKS ARE COMING!!! THE KADIMANIKS ARE COMING!!!

Congregation B'nai Israel is delighted to be hosting the **Regional Kadima Eighth Grade Shabbaton** the weekend of March 13-15, 2015. As you may know, Kadima is the nationwide Conservative Jewish youth group for sixth to eighth graders, the stepping stone to USY. Approximately 60 teenagers from all over Northern and Central New Jersey will be gathering in Millburn for a weekend of prayer, study and fun.

The Youth Committee is looking for congregants to host at least three visiting Kadima members (Kadimaniks) from Friday afternoon through Sunday morning. **It is simple to host!** The Kadimaniks will bring sleeping bags and pillows and sleep on the floor. All meals will be served at the synagogue, with the exception of a cold, dairy breakfast on Saturday morning at the host home. The host family would need to bring the Kadimaniks back and forth to the synagogue over the course of the weekend. **That's it!**

You don't need to have kids in Kadima or any of the CBI youth groups to host. (In fact, you don't even have to have kids!) **It is a wonderful experience to host these energetic, polite, involved Jewish youth!**

The CBI youth groups are bigger, stronger and more active than ever! Hosting this regional Shabbaton -- and hosting the Shabbaton participants!!! -- is a great way to support youth programming at CBI!

If you have any questions about the Shabbaton, please see the FAQs below or contact Aly Greenstein, CBI Youth Group Advisor, at [alygreenstein18@gmail.com](mailto:alygreenstein18@gmail.com) with any additional questions.

Thank you for your support!

Aly Greenstein  
CBI Kadima Advisor

**YES! I would love to host Kadimaniks for the Shabbaton the weekend of March 13-15, 2015!**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-MAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I am interested in housing \_\_\_\_\_ # girls or \_\_\_\_\_ # boys for the Kadima Shabbaton

☐ I have a pet. Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I can help with setup during the weekend.

☐ I can help serve food during the weekend (check all that apply)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Fri. dinner \_\_\_\_\_ Sat. lunch \_\_\_\_\_ Sat. dinner

Please return to the CBI office or email [alygreenstein18@gmail.com](mailto:alygreenstein18@gmail.com).

## **Regional Kadima Eighth Grade Shabbaton Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)**

### **Can I house Kadimaniks even if I don't have kids that age?**

Absolutely. Even if you don't have any kids, we need you to host Kadimaniks for the weekend.

### **What if I don't have enough beds to house three Kadimaniks?**

All you need is floor space. They will bring sleeping bags and pillows.

### **Is there a schedule for the weekend?**

Here is the schedule for the weekend (subject to minor adjustments):

#### **Friday, March 9th**

3:30 p.m. – Pickup Kadimaniks at CBI and bring home with luggage

5:00 p.m. – Return to CBI

9:45 p.m. – Pickup from CBI

#### **Saturday, March 10th**

9:00 a.m. – Bring Kadimaniks to CBI

7:00 p.m. – Pickup from CBI

8:30 p.m. – Return to CBI for evening program

11:00 p.m. – Pickup from CBI

#### **Sunday, March 11th**

9:00 a.m. – Bring Kadimaniks to CBI with luggage

### **Can I be host if I don't keep a kosher home?**

Yes. The only meal you will be responsible for is a cold, dairy breakfast on Saturday morning.

### **I would love to host but I can't be available as early as 3:30 p.m. on Friday afternoon. Can we make some kind of alternate arrangement?**

Yes, even if you are not available early on Friday, it may be possible for you to be a host. Please contact Aly at [alygreenstein18@gmail.com](mailto:alygreenstein18@gmail.com) to discuss your circumstances.

### **I would love to host but I have plans on Saturday night. Can we make some kind of alternate arrangement?**

Even if you have plans on Saturday night, it may be possible for you to be a host. Please contact Aly at [alygreenstein18@gmail.com](mailto:alygreenstein18@gmail.com) to discuss further.

## MEN'S CLUB MINUTE

By Dan Richter, Men's Club President

Happy February, everybody! While Men's Club had no scheduled programming for Ground Hog Day in 5775, we do extend our well wishes and support to all those who observe this holiday around the world. We understand the great importance of the outcome of the shadow sighting or lack of shadow sighting to all people. This Men's Club Minute writer also believes that only respectful representations of a Ground Hog should be acceptable in our synagogue media.



Last month, in this space, I might have mentioned soImagine waking up to the same morning every single morning and reliving every aspect of your day in each successive day. Kind of like that movie with Bill Murray from 1993 by the title, "Ground Hog Day." Only let's call your day "Chag Chazir Adamah". I would actually be ok with that experience, but only if that day started on a Friday night and ended with Havdallah. Imagine a Shabbat forever. If you pull me aside, at a Kiddush, I will sing you verses to a song written by a Former Camp Tel Yehudah Director named Benjy Lange to the Turtles Song "Happy Forever", called "Shabbos Forever." Here is the refrain:

*Wouldn't it be nice if the Shabbos could last the whole week through?*

*Seven days of rest, relaxation, and nothing else to do?*

The only thing that could make this vision of an endless Shabbat even better is if the Shabbos were the Men's Club Shabbat.

So Kuddos to the Men's Club Shabbat Committee for bringing us another great chapter! Thanks to Dan Dovdavyan and Alex Marcus for heading up the committee. Continued guidance of this program by Josh Schor and Henry Bloom. Thanks to Kopel for organizing the choir. Thanks to the Men's Club Chefs who cooked up another fantastic dinner for our shul. Thanks to those who rose to the Chollent challenge. And, finally, thanks to all those who prepared for and led a skilled role for the services.

And how nice was it to get that great Sisterhood Shabbat right on the heels of our Men's Club Shabbat?

With all of the Shabbat experiences at CBI -Shir Shabbat, Family Shabbat services on Friday nights, Tot Shabbat Services, Religious School Age Shabbat Services, Yaldenu, Journeyers minyan, great Friday night dinners, youth Shabbaton overnight, Men's Club Shabbat, Sisterhood Shabbat, we get the opposite experience of having the same Shabbat playing over and over. And that's much better, come to think of it.

Besides the Men's Club Shabbat in January and the fantastic Hanukkah Party in December which honored the Man of the Year, Michael Slifer, the Men's Club also participated in making Meals for the Homeless with MMS Girl Scout Troop 20491 on Mitzvathon MLK Day, January 19th and the World Wide Wrap presentation to the Vav class, actually on February 1st. Imagine the good in the world which could be done if we all woke up to Mitzvathon Day every day!

We are planning our Annual Paid Up Breakfast event on Sunday March 15th at 9am at CBI. This is free for those who have paid up our \$38 dues. Following that is our Texas Hold 'Em Tournament March 29th also for paid up members. This card playing may also be opened to the Men's Club of a neighboring shul. Details to follow...

If you have any questions about Men's Club or if you would like to order the most delicious Shabbat Challahs, which you can eat every single day if you order enough, please email [cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com](mailto:cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com) or give me a call at 732-261-5138.

**Punxsutawney Dan Richter**

Men's Club President



To contact Dan Richter, email him at [cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com](mailto:cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com) or call him at (732) 261-5138

## CBI Adult Learning

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**\$5.00**  
per person  
payable at door



### **Precious Life**

**Sunday, February 22**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Congregation B'nai Israel  
Snacks & Discussion to Follow**

At once a plea to end human suffering and a ray of hope for Israeli-Palestinian harmony, journalist Shlomi Eldar's documentary *Precious Life* chronicles the plight of Mohammad Abu Mustafa, a four year old Palestinian boy born without an immune system, who will die in an Israeli hospital if he doesn't obtain a bone marrow transplant within a brief period of time. Not only does Mohammad succeed at getting the treatment he needs, his case manages to pull Israeli and Palestinian doctors together, who make a concerted, joint effort to save the child's life, putting aside their racial and religious differences in the process, despite the Gaza embargo. Meanwhile, Mohammad's mother, a woman named Raida, both draws scathing criticism from the Gazan community, and alienates others by espousing her sympathy with Palestinian terrorist bombers. This leads Eldar himself - and the audience - into a deep-seated ethical quandary about saving the life of a child who may well grow up to be an extremist, sacrificing his own life to kill others. *Precious Life* was hailed as "enthralling" by the Wall Street Journal, and "remarkable" by Thomas Friedman in the New York Times, while the Hollywood Reporter observed, "The film has as much tension as a good thriller and more honest emotion than most Hollywood tear-jerkers. And it's suffused with moral intelligence."

**View Trailer here:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uSxUkVv30ZI>

# ISRAEL AFFAIRS

By Joe Tenenbaum



## CURRENT EVENTS

The news items I mentioned over the last two months are still important issues and are only closer to resolution due the passage of time. These items are:

- Ongoing negotiations between the Western powers and with Iran about eliminating Iran's nuclear weapon's program (interim deadline March 2)
- Israel's upcoming election (March 17)
- Provocation and terrorism within Israel from last fall

More recently, events in France have focused much of the Jewish world on several related issues – specifically the safety of Jews in France, and more generally European anti-Semitism. The attack on the newspaper also highlighted the danger (which the world has been aware of since Salman Rushdie was first threatened with a Fatwa in 1989) of radical Islamic intolerance of disrespectful satire or characterizations.

A more general issue focuses on the choice faced by the Jews of France. While Israel is a safety valve for Jews living under the threat of violence, the question as to what is better for the Jews of France is heart wrenching. France has the second largest Diaspora community of Jews and there is value in maintaining that community. But Israel is also a refuge for Jews who do not feel safe in their own home.

For more information on these and other news items, I recommend the following websites.

<http://www.timesofisrael.com>

An Israeli on-line newspaper

<http://www.dailyalert.org>

A daily news digest about Israel and the Middle East

[www.jerusalemonline.com](http://www.jerusalemonline.com)

A daily video of Israel news

**Dr Mordechai Kedar**

**February 16 at 2 pm**

On Mon. Feb 16th (President's Day) at 2 PM, Dr. Mordechai Kedar will be appearing at Beth O'r Beth Torah in Clark. Dr. Kedar is in the Arab Studies Dept of Bar Illan University. He is a knowledgeable speaker on the Middle East and Arab culture. This event is sponsored by the Israel Support Committee of Central New Jersey. If you are available on Monday afternoon, plan to attend this event to learn about what to expect in the middle east.

## **Beneath the Helmet From High School to the Home Front**

**February 22 at 7 pm**

On Sunday, February 22, the film Beneath the Helmet will be shown at Joseph Kushner Hebrew Academy at 110 South Orange Avenue in Livingston. The film follows five soldiers through their training to become part of an elite paratrooper unit of the IDF. This film shows how the IDF trains recent High School graduates, and within 8 months, molds them into a cohesive unit of soldiers. It focuses not just on the skills they learn, but also on the importance of creating a cohesive and unified family. While some of the soldiers have Israeli families, others are lone soldiers. After the viewing of the film, Oren Giladi, one of the soldiers featured in the film will speak to the audience about his experiences. This screening is being made available for high school students and their families, but will be a valuable experience for anyone who wants to see the inner workings of the IDF. The event is free, and open to the public. It is sponsored by The Jewish Federation of Greater Metrowest Community Relations Committee, the Partnership for Jewish Learning and Life, and the Legow Family Israel Program Center. The film was produced by Jerusalem U.

## **AIPAC Policy Conference in 2015**

**March 1-3**

I look forward to reporting on the 2015 AIPAC Policy Conference. If you are among the congregants who will be attending the conference, consider writing your own reaction to the event. If you want to see what is happening during the event, you can visit the AIPAC website, where speeches and videos are posted during the conference. <http://www.policyconference.org/>

## **Other Upcoming Events**

- **April 22 -23:** The Metrowest Community will have Yom Hazikaron and Yom Ha'atzmaut events, details to follow.
- **April 24:** CBI is planning another special Shabbat Dinner. This dinner will have an Israel theme in honor of Israeli Independence Day.
- **May 13:** The NORPAC mission to Washington will visit Capital Hill to promote stronger US Israel relations.

### Missing Soldiers and Soldiers on Duty

We must continue to pray for the remaining soldiers to return home:

**Guy Hever Ron Arad**  
**Zachary Baumel Avi Feldman Yehuda Katz**

Please also pray for **Jonathan Pollard**, (Yehonaton ha Levi ben Malka) who has been imprisoned now for over 29 years and is in need of healing.

**Joe Tenenbaum**



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*With gratitude for their leadership, foresight and commitment to the future of Judaism, we welcome the inaugural members of CBI's Legacy Circle:*

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**Is CBI already in YOUR estate plan?**

**We need to know so we can honor you as part of our Legacy Circle.**

You may contact either Elizabeth Cohen or Daniel Ramer at [Legacycircle@cbi-nj.org](mailto:Legacycircle@cbi-nj.org) or Lisa Roth at 973-379-3811.

*\* Special thanks to these couples who made two separate legacy commitments, one in each of their names, enabling us to qualify for the Grinspoon incentive grant of \$20,000 for CBI.*

## HEDWIG GRUENEWALD EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

By Rochelle Baron, Director

January was a cold month but we were warm and busy inside of our classrooms! The parents and teachers had meaningful conversations during conferences, the staff learned new things at the CPR recertification workshop, we enjoyed joining with the CBI community for Mitzvah Day, and the Open House saw prospective families come to learn about our programs. All of that coupled with a visit from our rishonim friends, music, yoga, arboretum classes and tumbling made for a great return to school after winter break.



February has fewer school days but we have lots of activities on our agenda. Tu B'Shevat, the birthday of the trees in Israel, comes this month and we always love to make the comparisons between New Jersey's snowy,

freezing climate and the idea that another part of the world is experiencing spring! This holiday lends itself to all kinds of learning experiences in so many curriculum areas—science, cooking, arts and crafts, dramatic play, music and large motor play. It's one of our favorite celebrations! Mid-month we will also start learning about Purim, which this year falls in early March.

Registration continues for Summer Camp 2015 and 2015/2016 fall and spring programs. Please contact me if you would like further information.

Stay warm!

Rochelle Baron



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## MUSICAL NOTES

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done it or just need a refresher. There are also Morning Minyan attendees, in addition to Rabbi Bayar and me, who are happy to help anyone who shows up to morning minyan and wants to try putting on Tefillin! Putting on Tefillin is definitely not as hard as learning to ride a bicycle and you won't end up with any scraped knees!

Lorna Wallach



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February 6<sup>th</sup>  
March 6<sup>th</sup>  
April 17<sup>th</sup>  
May 8<sup>th</sup>

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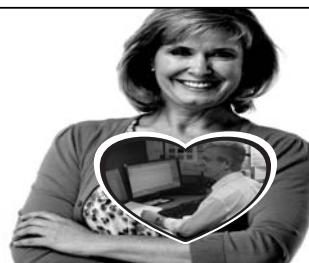
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For more information or if you have any questions, please contact:  
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## Next Deadline

Please note, the deadline for the March 2015 bulletin is February 10. Information contained in the bulletin each month is time sensitive. We appreciate your cooperation in order to ensure that the Bulletin reaches everyone by the beginning of each month. Space permitting, we will do our best to include your item(s), and we reserve the right to edit your submission. Please submit all material to [lisar@cbi-nj.org](mailto:lisar@cbi-nj.org).



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**Call Sandy Panzer at 908-351-1999**

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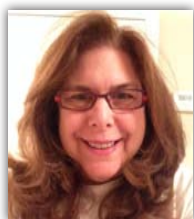
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## Sisterhood's Message

By Karen Tucker, Sisterhood President

### WINTER ENERGY CHECK

If you are like me when the weather begins to get cold I check the furnace, the fireplace, the windows and doors for drafts and where the extra blankets are. But what about our internal energy check? It is this time of year we tend to hibernate in the warmth our homes. The warmth of companionship, however, is also very important.



We just celebrated Sisterhood Shabbat – one of what I feel is the warmest of CBI events. It shouldn't and needn't stop here. We have many programs throughout the winter to both warm the heart and spirit as well. Mah Jongg and Knit and Knosh always welcome new faces- including those who have never played, knitted or crocheted as well at those who are proficient in any of these areas. Rosh Chodesh is always inspiring (and delicious as well). For those of you who do not relish the idea of winter driving please let me know and I'll "hook you up" with someone in your neighborhood willing to drive.

My thanks go out to Leslie McCafferty for her ability to gather more than 60 woman to participate in the entire Sisterhood Shabbat experience. To executive chef Robin Polson along with Lisa Ehrlich, Renee Kingsberg and team for the delicious spread, and inviting surroundings. But most of all to you all for attending and supporting CBI Sisterhood.

Thanks also go out to those manning the table at MLK mitzvah day. To those prolific knitters and donators as well who helped us to donate blankets to Project Linus and hand decorated placemats to Daughters of Israel and Lester Senior Housing.

This year is also the year for the **Women's Seder** which will fall on **Sunday Evening March 15th**. Cantor Wallach is set to lead the program with a special appearance by the CBI orchestra. A festive meal will be served. Detail will follow shortly.

We are actively putting together our executive board for 2015-16. If you are interested in joining the Sisterhood board or helping with events please feel free to contact me to discuss – the possibilities are endless!

Take advantage of what Sisterhood has to offer and what you can bring as well. I am always available by phone, email or to sit and chat. I can be reached at 908-313-5677 [karenltucker@comcast.net](mailto:karenltucker@comcast.net).

As always, please join us and join in- you'll be surprised how much fun it is!

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Feb. 11: 7:15- 9:15 Mah Jongg


Feb. 23: 7:30- 9:00 Knit and Knosh

Feb. 24: 6:15-7:45 Rosh Chodesh

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Women's Seder Sunday Eve, March 15th

Karen Tucker

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## Please send in your Purim Order ASAP



**Adult Forum "Lunch & Learn" programs on Thursday!!!**

at Congregation B'nai Israel

160 Millburn Avenue, Millburn, NJ

Our programs are open to CBI members and the general community. By all means, bring friends!

Lunch begins at 12:30 p.m. and the program begins at 1:00 p.m.

**FEBRUARY PROGRAMS**

**February 12** At Congregation B'nai Israel. *The Judge*. Big city lawyer Hank Palmer, Robert Downey, Jr., returns to this childhood home where his father, the town's judge, Robert Duvall, is suspected of murder. Hank sets out to discover the truth and, along the way, reconnects with his estranged family.

**February 26** At Congregation B'nai Israel. Hirschhorn presenter Dr. David Kristol on *Jewish Contributions to Science and Medicine*. Jews have made contributions to civilization and culture well beyond their numbers. This talk will describe the impact these men and women had on advancing the progress in the fundamental nature of health and disease in modern society. The personal lives of individual Jewish people from European countries as well as the United States will be presented in their social and historical context. Many of these people were Nobel Prize winners who pioneered in the vast improvement in the state of health in the world. Expect to be as surprised as you are impressed by the fact that so many Jews made so many discoveries.

\$10 for Adult Forum members // \$12 for non-members

You may pay at the door, but you need to contact Lois IN ADVANCE at 973-533-1809 with your lunch order. Our sandwiches and salads come from Bubbe's (Livingston).

SANDWICH CHOICE: egg salad, corned beef, roast beef, turkey, tuna or pastrami or SALAD CHOICES: Chopped house salad, or chopped house salad with turkey.

**Adult Forum Spring 2015 "On the Road" Trips with JCC of Central New Jersey**

Manischewitz Factory Tour- Thursday March 19

Join us for a very interesting tour of the Manischewitz factory. Manischewitz manufactures Kosher products in its plant in Newark, NJ where they have a more than 4 acre complex. Four major separate processes take place at the factory; a matza and cracker manufacturing plant, a cookie plant, a soup and gefilte fish plant and a dry mix plant. A brief tour is planned covering all areas of manufacturing. Although Manischewitz has been a household name in Jewish homes for many generations, it is truly an experience to see the linking of old matzo making traditions with the newest matzo making technology. Tour requires a lot of walking and is limited to 21 people (Register early) Tour will be followed by lunch at Hobby's Delicatessen. Reservations needed by Thursday March 12. Price \$50, Member price \$45 (includes lunch and transportation).

Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum - May 14, 2015

Just re-opened after a \$91 million renovation, the museum is located in the Andrew Carnegie Mansion, which is a turn of the century gem. This museum is the only one in the nation devoted exclusively to contemporary and historic design. It presents a compelling perspective on the impact of design on daily life and is very interactive. Prior to the museum tour, we will have lunch at Amanda's restaurant in Hoboken located in a restored brownstone. It is highly rated by the Zagat guide and is on the short list of the state's most popular restaurants. Reservations needed by May 1. Price \$90, Member Price \$85

For information about membership, programs or trips, please contact  
**Lois Dyer, Adult Forum Program Coordinator 973-533-1809 // [penzoe1@comcast.net](mailto:penzoe1@comcast.net)**

## USY REPORT

This year I am a freshman in USY. There are many events that a freshman in USY is invited to. Each month there is a different event where I get to spend time and have fun with my friends. At that event play games and hang out. The upperclassmen are very welcoming to the freshmen, and they make sure we know about all the upcoming events. One of the great things about USY is it's not only chapter events but regional ones as well.

A special event that only freshmen were invited to was the Freshman Shabbaton. At that event I met a lot of very nice kids in USY from other chapters as well. We spent the night telling stories and eating junk food. It was fun staying up all night learning about the other freshmen. I made many new friends. After spending Shabbat together there was a dance, I never usually enjoy dances or parties, but this one was fun since I had a lot of new friends there. This is not the only regional event that is held, about once a month there is either a dance or Shabbaton for USYers to participate in. Both are a lot of fun and a good way to make friends.

One of my favorite chapter USY events was the overnight at our temple. It did not matter what grade you were in. All twelve of us stayed up almost all night, making pizza, watching movies, and consuming all sorts of sugary treats. It was so much fun. If I had to sum up my experience as a freshman in USY in one word, that would be it; fun. Being a freshman in USY is a lot of fun.

**Sydney Fox**  
Freshman

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**Abigael Good, Freshman, was the winner of the USY Summer Essay Contest for this past summer. She wrote an amazing and moving essay about her experience on Wheels East, if you have any questions about Wheels East or other USY Summer Programs please contact Aly at [algreenstein18@gmail.com](mailto:algreenstein18@gmail.com).**

*On July 24th, Bus E went ice-skating. Forty-eight teenagers, many of which had never tried it. Isn't that a little weird, I wondered? We had never had lessons. Surely we would all fall. Looking back, I'm not sure it was so strange at all.*

I had left for the trip with my sister's promise that I was in for the best summer of my life, and just a bit of cynicism that it couldn't be that good. After all, I didn't know anybody. What about the long hours on the bus? What about praying every day?

*The ice was comfortingly solid, but trying to walk in my*

*skates was like trying to walk in stilettos. I grabbed the wall and held on tight.*

The first night on Wheels, our Rosh told us that USY was a bubble, a constantly moving space inside which each of us could be anyone we wanted to be – better yet, we could be ourselves. It was hard to believe one bubble could encircle such a large group of such vastly different people. Most of us had never seen each other. Surely the bubble would pop – surely we would all fall.

*Using the wall, I pulled myself forward a few feet, sliding on the ice. Small children skated around, twirling nimbly around us clumsy teenagers. It wasn't, I realized, as scary as I had expected.*

Our first night in Toronto my roommate decided we should be best friends. That quickly, I wondered? We don't know each other. We played Spit and ate pretzels and talked. I don't remember what we said. I just remember that we laughed.

*And we laughed again as we made a loop around the rink with some other friends. Helped each other skate faster. Took a big group photo, all of us grabbing each other's hands to stay up.*

Toward the end of the trip, our Rosh told us to savor every minute left. Wheels is special, he said. You're all here now, having the time of your lives, but life moves fast. This is never going to be the same, never going to be the way it is now. When it ends, it's over.

*We left the rink as a group and pulled off our skates. Felt the strangeness of walking on concrete instead of ice.*

On the last day of Wheels, my dad picked me up from the hotel, waiting patiently through all the goodbyes, the tears, the hugs. The last reiteration of shared jokes, the last sharing of phone numbers. It was strange to step out into the parking lot, pulling my suitcase, walking to a car instead of a bus.

Sunburn from a beach in Jacksonville, bug bites from a day in Philly, stamped hands from the Butterfly Rain Forest, and chocolate mouths from Hershey – even the memories of what songs we sang on the bus, what cookie I bought in Boston – these are all things that fade. But it's been one month since I waved goodbye, and I already know that friends don't.

**Abigael Good**

# COMMUNITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE

You can also check the calendar on our website [www.cbi-nj.org](http://www.cbi-nj.org)

## Sunday, February 1

- 8:00 am Morning Minyan
- 8:45am-12:00 pm BBRS Open School Day with Parents @ MPR
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Monday, February 2

- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am Adult Learning Jewish Theology w/Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 7:30 pm Sisterhood Board Meeting
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Tuesday, February 3

### EREV TU BISHVAT

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 6:00 pm-7:15 pm Chaverim GIRLS ONLY EVENT Girls Night Out
- 7:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting @ Youth Lounge
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Wednesday, February 4

### TU BISHVAT

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Thursday, February 5

- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am-10:30 am Adult Learning - Jewish Look at Christianity w/Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 6:00 pm-7:15 pm Kadima-Mitzvah Madness @ Youth Lounge
- 7:30 pm-9:00 pm USY-Tu B'shvat Ice Cream Seder @ Youth Lounge
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Friday, February 6

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 5:02 pm Candlelighting
- 6:45 pm Shir Shabbat
- 8:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat

## Saturday, February 7

- 9:00 am Shabbat Services
- 10:15 am Tefilot Yeladim (Gr. 3-6)
- 10:30 am Tefilot Ketanim (Gr. K-2)
- 10:30 am Tot Shabbat
- 11:15 am Yaldeinu
- 4:00 pm Havdallah - Bat Mitzvah of Hannah Hirsch

## Sunday, February 8

- 8:00 am Morning Minyan
- 10:00 am-12:00 pm 90th Anniversary Speaker Series - Rabbi Brad Hirschfield
- 5:00 pm Chanting Circle @ Chapel
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Monday, February 9

- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am Adult Learning - Jewish Theology w/Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan
- 8:00 pm Men's Club Board Meeting

## Tuesday, February 10

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 6:00 pm-7:15 pm Chaverim - BOYS ONLY EVENT - GaGa & Games
- 7:30 pm CBI Board of Trustees Meeting @ MPR
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Wednesday, February 11

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 7:15 pm Open Mah Jongg Night
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Thursday, February 12

- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am-10:30 am Adult Learning - Jewish Look at Christianity w/Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 12:00 pm Adult Forum - Film: The Judge
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan
- 8:00 pm HGECC Board Meetings @ Youth Lounge

## Friday, February 13

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 5:11 pm Candlelighting
- 8:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat

## Saturday, February 14

- 9:00 am Shabbat Services
- 10:15 am Tefilot Yeladim (Gr. 3-6)
- 10:30 am Tefilot Ketanim (Gr. K-2)
- 10:30 am Tot Shabbat
- 10:45 am Shabbat Journeymen Minyan

## Sunday, February 15

- BBRS Winter Break
- 8:00 am Morning Minyan
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Monday, February 16

- Presidents Day
- HGECC Closed
- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am Adult Learning - Jewish Theology w/Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Tuesday, February 17

- HGECC Closed
- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Wednesday, February 18

- HGECC Closed
- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Thursday, February 19

- HGECC Closed
- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am-10:30 am Adult Learning - Jewish Look at Christianity w/Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan
- 8:00 pm Religious Affairs Committee Meeting

## Friday, February 20

- HGECC Closed
- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 5:19 pm Candlelighting
- 8:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat

## Saturday, February 21

- 9:00 am Shabbat Services
- 10:15 am Tefilot Yeladim (Gr. 3-6)
- 10:30 am Tefilot Ketanim (Gr. K-2)
- 10:30 am Tot Shabbat

## Sunday, February 22

- 8:00 am Morning Minyan
- 7:00 pm Israel Film Series - Precious Life @ MPR
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Monday, February 23

- BBRS Resumes
- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am Adult Learning - Jewish Theology w/Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 7:30 pm Sisterhood Knit & Knosh @ Youth Lounge
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Tuesday, February 24

- Purim Packing Process @ MPR
- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 8:00 am-9:00 am Yellow Candle Boxing @ Youth Lounge
- 6:15 pm Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh @ Social Hall
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Wednesday, February 25

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Thursday, February 26

- 7:10 am Morning Minyan
- 9:30 am-10:30 am Adult Learning - Jewish Look at Christianity w/Rabbi Bayar @ Social Hall
- 12:00 pm Adult Forum Hirschhorn Speaker: Dr. David Kristol
- 6:00 pm-7:15 pm Kadima Hamantaschen Baking @ Youth Lounge
- 7:30 pm-9:00 pm Jewish Holidays - Purim Themes and Values for the Home
- 7:30 pm-9:00 pm USY Target Run @ Offsite
- 8:00 pm Evening Minyan

## Friday, February 27

- 7:15 am Morning Minyan
- 5:27 pm Candlelighting
- 8:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat

## Saturday, February 28

- 9:00 am Shabbat Services Bar Mitzvah of Ryan Potechin
- 10:15 am Tefilot Yeladim (Gr. 3-6)
- 10:30 am Tefilot Ketanim (Gr. K-2)
- 10:30 am Tot Shabbat
- 5:00 pm - 11:59 pm Private Function (SH & MPR) Potechin

## ADULT FORUM

### February - March 2015

Hello Adult Forum Members,

I hope that all of you stayed warm and healthy through the freezing month of January. There are few better ways to spend the equally chilly month of February than to be with friends having a meal and being entertained with a good movie or intellectually stimulated by an interesting speaker. Please join us on Thursday, February 12 to screen the film *The Judge*, starring Robert Downey Jr. and Robert Duvall. Robert Downey Jr stars as big city lawyer Hank Palmer, who returns to his childhood home where his estranged father (Robert Duvall), the town's judge, is suspected of murder. He sets out to discover the truth and along the way reconnects with the family he walked away from years before.

On February 26, Hirschhorn presenter, Dr. David Kristol will discuss *Jewish Contributions to Science and Medicine*. Jews have made contributions to civilization and culture well beyond their numbers. This talk will describe the impact these men and women had on advancing the progress in the fundamental nature of health and disease in modern society. Expect to be as surprised as you are impressed by the fact that so many Jews made so many discoveries.

On the Road trips returns with a tour of the Manischewitz Factory on March 19. We will see the matza factory, the cookie plant, a soup and gefilte fish plant and a dry mix facility. This tour requires a lot of walking and is limited



to the first 21 people to register. Lunch at Hobby's Deli included. RESERVATIONS NEEDED BY MARCH 12. Cost is \$45 for members and \$50 for community participants. Call Barbara Weisbart to register (908) 889-8800x207.

Also call Barbara to register for the exciting trip to the newly redesigned Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum on May 14. The museum is located in the turn-of-the-century gem, the Carnegie Mansion. )This museum is the only one in the nation devoted exclusively to contemporary and historic design. The trip to the museum will be preceded by lunch at Hoboken's famous restaurant, Amanda's. Cost is \$86 for members and \$90 for community participants. Register by May 1. Call Barbara Weisbart at (908) 889-8800x207.

For all programs at CBI, you can pay at the door. **Please call me with your lunch orders.** To register for trips, contact Barbara Weisbart (908)889-8800x207.

Stay warm,

Lois Dyer

For information about membership, programs or trips, please contact

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- ❖ Harriet & Sheldon Greenholtz
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Lisa and Larry Roth ~ We are thinking of you during this very difficult time and are so sorry for your loss.

❖ Renee & Kopel Burk

Ellen Shulman ~ We know what a difficult time this is for you Ellen. Hope everything works out with your mom.

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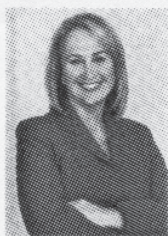
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