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Farewell Letter from the Editor

Dear Congregants & Friends of the FJCC,

This is my last issue as the editor of the FJCC newsletter. This time serving the congregation, being allowed into your homes when this newsletter was printed on paper, and then into your inboxes when it was entirely online, has been a privilege and labor of love.

I have tried to change the theme or feel of the newsletter during the High Holy Days every year. I hope I've kept you engaged and entertained. I've gotten to know your smiles, your birthdays, your anniversaries, your special events, b'nai mitzvahs and most importantly, you. You've welcomed me and been receptive to my crazy, newsletter shenanigans. For this I am eternally grateful!

As I pack up my home and make last-minute plans to participate in the last few events we can be a part of before heading to Florida for good, I can't help but think of some people I need to say thank you to, because none of this newsletter could be published each month, without the help of the following:

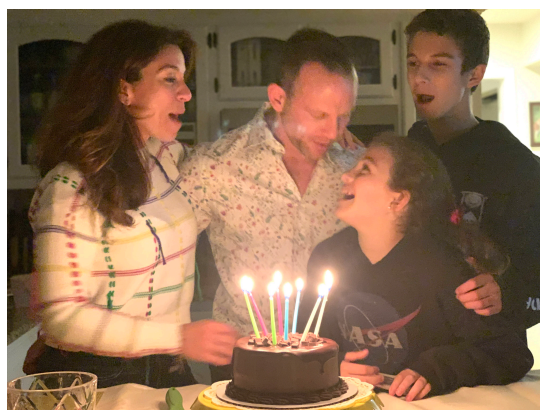
- The current and former leadership of the synagogue...**Rabbi Cohen** - I've enjoyed reading your well-thought out articles (they're always worth the wait!); the presidents I had the pleasure of working with: **Mindy Engle-Friedman, Bruce Moskovitz, Sharon Rednor**, as well as the **Executive Boards and Boards of Trustees** that served with them; and **Karen Walsh** (as both the Hebrew School Director and "Keeper of the Calendar"). You all allowed me the freedom to take this publication to a whole new level, and the content you delivered or assisted with shows the care and consideration that you have for serving your community.
- **Deborah Kesselhaut**: I could not have published even one issue without your help, when the bulletin was printed or published online. It did not matter what my question was to anyone...the answer was always "ask Deborah." And you always had an answer. You *are* the FJCC.
- **Dana Cohen**: for your expert assistance in helping the FJCC even *have* a website, for uploading the bulletin to the site each month, and for "covering" for me as the guest editor when needed! You are the best!
- My proofreaders: **Bruce Moskovitz, Bruce Davidson, and Howard Spinowitz** - thanks for catching that...every time!
- The website team: **Dana Cohen, Barry Mittler, Sharon Rednor & Dale Sperling**. Together we made the FJCC website a beautiful new vector for this publication, as well as all the other wonderful events at the shul.
- **Ron Ort**: the Master Printer...thank you for leading the charge, sometimes printing alone in the office so the bulletin could make it into the mail on time!
- All the unofficial bulletin photographers: **Sonia & James Bellamy, Andrea & Scott Byne, Ed & Rose Mehrlust, Rachel Rodriguez, Jacqui Sornstein, Jodi Weitz**, and so many other photographers, too many to name...you know who you are. Thank you for your photo-taking skills and your good eyes!
- **The Kamichs & The Jacobsons**: your one-on-one notes to me about how much you liked my changes to the bulletin were much appreciated, and gave me pause to consider how much you enjoyed them.

There are so many others that have helped put this bulletin together throughout the years, that I'm unable to list them all. Know that your assistance has been invaluable. I will miss this.



Elizabeth Moya Spinowitz

P.S. Please keep in touch: spinmommy@icloud.com



The Land

In the Torah portion Behar, we learn: "God spoke to Moses at Mount Sinai, saying...the land shall rest a Shabbat for God," or perhaps "shall rest in a godly Sabbath." (Leviticus 25: 1-2)

Rashi, the great Torah commentator, asks: "What does the Sabbatical have to do with Sinai?" Why, among all the many commandments, should this be specifically designated as spoken at the Mountain?

The Talmud (b. Sanh. 39a) explains the commandment this way: "Plant for six years and rest in the seventh, so that you will know that the land belongs to God."

My teacher, Rabbi Art Green, asks: But, in the broadest sense, isn't this the purpose of all the other commandments as well?!

The earth is filled with God's presence since its creation. That did not begin at Sinai. Torah was given to provide us with a way to discover that presence, and a path of living in response to it. What is it about the Shmita year, the Sabbatical year, that the Torah should go out of its way to say that it was given on Mount Sinai?

Rabbi Green suggests that the Sabbatical rule takes Shabbat, the most distinctive practice of Jewish living, and applies it to the land itself. What better way to teach that "the whole earth is filled with God's glory?"

Our call to treat our particular land this way, Rabbi Green argues, is paradigmatic, teaching reverence for the earth as a whole. The Land of Israel, the Sefat Emet teaches, became an exception to the category of lands in order to teach us about the holiness of all land, of the very soil itself. Torah has no more important lesson for our generation. We need to understand that this reverence for land, for the earth, comes from Sinai itself.

How would we treat the earth if we keep in mind that its care is commanded at Mount Sinai, the very mountain on which Moses received the 10 Commandments?

Not everything crucial could be included in the 10 Commandments. I've done several exercises with Hebrew school students over the years.

Which commandments they would include in the top 10, so to speak, varies by individual. At the moment our ancestors stood at Mount Sinai, God knew what they needed to hear first. God understood the priorities of the day for the people God was addressing. Which of our ancestors back then could have imagined that the world, as they knew it, could be so threatened by human action, and inaction, as it is today?

So far, Rabbi Green admits, our attempts to give our planet its due respect are pretty slow in coming. There is much reason for disappointment. But, we have not given up. We must continue to work for the end of our addiction to fossil fuels, even as we recognize the challenges to doing that. "Never despair," writes Rabbi Nahman of Breslov, indeed he considers despair a sin! It robs us of hope, purpose and the willingness to do the necessary work. Please, don't despair! We can't afford to.

RABBI

Dear Congregational Family,

Many of you have watched our daughter, Atara (Tari) grow up in the Synagogue. Tari was born a few years after my husband became the Rabbi at the FJCC and both of our girls grew up in the Synagogue. Now Tari is getting married to her fiancé, Michael, in August 2022.

Through those beautiful years we felt like family to everyone, and everyone treated my husband and me the same way, and especially the girls. They were doted upon and showered with affection and love.

We had to postpone Tari and Michael's wedding for a year due to the pandemic, but we always knew that we wanted to share their *aufruf* with all of you. It is important and meaningful to us to have this special ceremony at our Synagogue home. We are hoping that you will be able to attend and share in our happiness.

Service will be followed by a Kiddush. Please RSVP to Phyllis at pjaffe90@gmail.com to let me know if you will be able to attend. The date is Saturday, August 20, 2022 at 9:15am. I hope we will see you there.

Warmly,

Phyllis Lerner

President's Letter

Transitions ... As adults, we have all gone through transitions like graduating from school, moving to a new city, starting a different job or career, going from wintertime indoors to rejoicing in the easy pace of summertime, etc. Let's celebrate as we look forward!

Congratulations to all the recent graduates! Our nursery school observed the end of the school year with a moving-up ceremony at the FJCC. The middle schoolers in our congregation look forward to becoming a freshman in high school. Mazel tov to the 2022 high school graduates who will soon don their caps and gowns and be moving on to new challenges. And, to those graduating from advanced degree programs, good luck in your new careers. Remember the famous quote, "Teachers open the doors, but you must enter by yourself." We wish you all the best as you transition to the next stage in life!

As the summer approaches and home selling season winds down, a few of our families are moving to new locales. In each case, the reason is different; however, we certainly hope they find a welcoming community like the FJCC in their new home towns.

This month, the FJCC transitions by ending one fiscal year and starting a new one. It is a time when we 1) send out membership renewal letters, 2) start organizing for the High Holy Days in September/October and 3) plan the events for the upcoming year.

<p>As the new FJCC fiscal year begins, membership renewal and pledge requests were sent to each family. Note, a matching program was created by a few donors to encourage members to raise their pledges. Please be as generous as possible and please return the pledge forms as soon as possible. Aliyot and seats for the holidays are scheduled in early summer and only available to members who have made a pledge. Additional pledge forms are available from the office.</p>	<p>Although there is little to do immediately, this summer we welcome volunteers to orchestrate one or more of the small or big tasks leading up to the High Holy Days. Erev Rosh Hashanah will begin on Sunday September 25th and the holidays end with Simchat Torah on Tuesday October 18th.</p>	<p>The Center Series Committee, a group of dedicated volunteers, already scheduled a wide variety of entertaining social and educational programs for the coming year. The short list includes: an end-of-summer outdoor BBQ, Shabbat dinners, musical accompaniment at Friday services, Casino Night, a return of the fan-favorite Sisterhood Progressive Dinner, tzedakah events with JRA and Grow-A-Row, movie club, author series, a cooking demonstration, etc. Additional ideas are welcome.</p>
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Personally, I am thrilled to transition to the lazy, hazy days of summertime. Enjoy!

Sharon Rednor
FJCC President

Happenings

**Mazel tov to Jerry and
Linda Atlas who are
expecting...
a grandchild this
December!**

HEBREW SCHOOL

The year has gone by quickly. It has been great to be in the building and work together face-t-face. The focus of this year was to bring the students' Hebrew Reading and Siddur proficiency up to speed. The Gimel Dalet class led services on May 20th, and it was wonderful to see them on the bimah leading services. It was a true testament to achieving our goals.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the Hebrew School staff for their contributions to tonight's service and Hebrew School in general...

First I would like to thank and acknowledge Rabbi Cohen for guiding the Hebrew School students and staff, preparing each child for their Bnai mitzvah, an fostering a love of learning from our youngest to our Hebrew High students.

I want to express my appreciations to:

- Gimel teacher, Adah Radzin, who assures me this is the very last year she will teach Hebrew School. She's said that before, so who knows?
- Saul Katz, who teaches Hebrew reading, prepares 3rd-6th grade for Shabbat services
- Emily Quinn, who teaches holiday, Bible and Israel
- Laurie Rapkin, who offers classroom support for all grades

We are fortunate to have a group of high school-age students who work in the classroom as teacher assistance. I want to thank: Charlotte Byne, Jason Gertzman, Kylei Mittler and Sam Muller.

I also want to thank the tutors who prepare our students for Bnai Mitzvah: Kylei Mittler, Ian Weitz, Jamie Cohen and Julia Sirota. Julia has been tutoring for a dozen years. This is her last year of tutoring, and we wish her luck as she starts medical school!

My heartfelt thanks to Kimi Mittler, my work wife, and the Hebrew School support staff. Kimi keeps all the paperwork in order, supplies band-aids, and knows that my glasses are on top of my head, and that I'm holding my keys, even though I am frantically looking for them.

I would also like to thank Carolyn Goldman for everything she does for Hebrew School, all the shopping, and preparing for Hebrew School dinners, one's, and programs. She is thoughtful in her selection, creative in her presentation, and mindful of allergies assuring that there is something for everyone to eat.

Have a great summer!

	Sunday	Wednesday	Thursday
Alef-Bet	9:00 - 11:30		
Gimel	9:00 - 11:30		
Dalet	9:00 - 11:30	4:30 – 6:15	
Hay	9:00 - 11:30	4:30 – 6:15	
Vav	9:00 - 11:30	4:30 – 6:15	
7 th Grade		4:45 – 6:15	
Hebrew High			6:00 – 7:15

**Check your
email for Back
to School
information
the week of
July 18th.**

Contributions

General Fund

Loren Hurwitz & Florence Hurwitz Friedman -
in honor of David & Carolyn Goldman on the
birth of your grandchild
Fredrick & Melissa Kleiman
in honor of Debbie Pierce; in memory of your
beloved father-in-law
in honor of Rich Pierce; in memory of your
beloved father
in honor of Jeremy Silberman; in memory of
your father, Paul Silberman
in honor of Sue & Rick Rothstein; in memory of
Minnie Arowitz
Marsha & Zel Gerstein
in honor of Monica Gort on the engagement of
Ariel to Scott
in honor of Howard Spinowitz; in memory of
your beloved father, Harvey
in honor of Jeremy Silberman; in memory of
your father, Paul
in honor of Jerry Atlas; refuah shalemah and a
speedy recovery
mazel tov to Jerry Atlas in honor of your
birthday, Jerry!
mazel tov to Caroloyne & David Goldman on the
birth of your grandson, Samuel
Elizabeth Lowe
in honor of Carolyn & David Goldman on the
birth of your grandson, Evan Samuel
Barbara & Mitch Clarin
in honor of Jerry Silberman; in memory of your
beloved father, Paul
in honor of Howard Spinowitz; in memory of
your beloved father, Harvey
Frederick & Suzanne Rothstein - in honor of
Lois Butt - Get Well wishes from Sue & Rick
Rothstein
Ellen Teitelbaum - mazel tov to Carolyn &
David Goldman for the birth of your grandson

Kiddush / Oneg Fund

Bruce Moskovitz & John Fellin - in memory of
Harvey Spinowitz, beloved father of Howard
Spinowitz
Carolyn & David Goldman - in honor of
Stephanie & Dan for the birth of their son Evan
Samuel
Deborah & Steve Kesselhaut
mazel tov to Carolyn & David Goldman in honor
of the birth of your grandson Evan Samuel
in memory of Harvey Spinowitz, beloved father
of Howard Spinowitz
Jane & Eric Wasserman - mazel tov to Carolyn
& David Goldman on the birth of your
grandson

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Jerry & Linda Atlas
in memory of Barbara Palter, beloved cousin of
Jerry Atlas
in memory of Jack Cohen, beloved father of
Ilyssa Fox, father-in-law to Steve Fox, and
Papa to Bradley and Emily Fox
Barry & Kimi Mittler - for the yahrzeit of Sylvia
Mittler
Julius Kawarsky & Alexander Soto - in memory
of my father, Irvin Kalman Kawarsky

Building Fund

Marilyn Dvoor
in memory of William Treuhaft, beloved cousin
of Marilyn Dvoor
in memory of Jack Kogan, beloved father of
Nomi Forman



This Month in Jewish History

The “Spirit” of this *St. Louis* Haunts to this Day

It is June 1939. A passenger ship called the *M.S. St. Louis* roams the seas in desperate search of a port for its passengers. Where they eventually docked would be the death of some of those passengers.

In 1790, George Washington responded to a letter from Moses Seixas of the Hebrew congregation of Newport, Rhode Island, quoting Seixas' own words back to him. Seixas' had requested of the newly-elected President Washington that his fledgling republic would give to “bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance...” Washington's letter in response quoted these words back to Seixas in agreement. Yet 149 years and 31 presidents later, the United States would do just that...

Over nine hundred passengers were crammed onto the *St. Louis* when it set out for...well, anywhere, but Germany. It was 1939. Jews were several years into the anti-semitic laws passed by the Nazi government. Half of the German Jewish population had already fled; following Kristallnacht, remaining Jewish families felt it was time to flee as well.

The original destination for the ship was Cuba. Most of the passengers on board had the correct immigration documents, however, due to disapproval from Cuban citizens, as the ship neared Havana, the entree for most passengers was denied (those who were allowed to enter were mostly non-Jews, or Jews with special visas). Some passengers attempted suicide at the news that they weren't allowed to disembark...one succeeded. Upon this news, many citizens of both the US and Cuba sent cables of protest, but they were ignored. One resident of Virginia wrote:

[The] press reported that the ship came close enough to Miami for the refugees to see the lights of the city. The press also reported that the U.S. Coast Guard, under instructions from Washington, followed the ship . . . to prevent any people landing on our shores. And during the days when this horrible tragedy was being enacted right at our doors, our government in Washington made no effort to relieve the desperate situation of these people, but on the contrary gave orders that they be kept out of the country. . . . The failure to take any steps whatsoever to assist these distressed, persecuted Jews in their hour of extremity was one of the most disgraceful things which has happened in American history and leaves a stain and brand of shame upon the record of our nation.

The ship was forced to leave Havana harbor with all but 30 of its original passengers on board. In the days that followed, every Latin American country denied entry to the *St. Louis*. The ship was denied access to US ports as well; asylum-seekers were told to wait for the process to play out. The ship then turned north and Canada followed suit, for fear that “shiploads” of other immigrants would head to Canada as well. With no other choice, the captain made the decision to return to Germany. Belgium accepted 200 passengers, Netherlands accepted 194, and the UK and France accepted the rest. With the hindsight of history, we know these nations (with the acceptance of the UK) were not immune to the scourge of Nazis rounding up and imprisoning or murdering Jews. But not all the passengers passed in the Holocaust...(from Wikipedia):

*Based on the survival rates for Jews in various countries during the war and deportations, historians have estimated that 180 of *St. Louis* refugees in France, 152 of those in Belgium and 60 of those in the Netherlands survived the Holocaust.^[19] Including the passengers who landed in England, of the original 936 refugees (one man died during the voyage), roughly 709 survived the war and 227 died.^{[20][10]} Later research tracing each passenger has determined that 254 [29.2 percent] of those who returned to continental Europe were murdered during the Holocaust.*

As a result of the events that transpired and the responses in each nation the ship tried to reach, many nations have since tried to make amends...

- Germany - Post WWII: the ship's captain, Gustav Schroder, was awarded the Order of Merit by the German government; 1993: posthumously one of the Righteous among the nations at the Yad Hashem Holocaust Memorial, Israel
- Canada - 2011: Canadian Jewish Congress creates the Wheel of Conscience Monument, the back of which lists the passengers of the ship; May 2017: a formal apology is announced by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau; the apology was issued on November 7, 2018 by the House of Commons
- United States - 2009: Senate Resolution 111 was delivered to the State Department Archives marking June 6, 2009 as the 70th anniversary of the incident; 2012: a ceremony is attended by Dep. Sec. Bill Burns and 14 survivors from the ship during which the US government formally apologizes for its role in the event
- Book - 1974: *Voyage of the Damned*, written by Gordon Thomas and Max Morgan-Witts
- Film - 1976: *Voyage of the Damned*, released by Avco Embassy Pictures in the US

For Images, please visit [history.com](https://www.history.com) by clicking here.

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Background image: Yaeger, Betty Troper. Passenger List of the *MS St. Louis*. Washington D.C., 13 May 1939.

Special Graduate Section



CONGRATS, GRADS!

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Sarah Sornstein (6th Grade)

Zoe Quinn (8th Grade)

HIGH SCHOOL

Kylei Mittler

Jason Gertzman

Evan Pollack

Ethan Rosen

COLLEGE

Jenna Clarin (U. Pitt, December 2021)

Rachel Gold Feinberg (RVCC)

Hayley Morgan Fico (U. Delaware)

Ben Greenstein (Virginia Tech)

Zach Nemeth (U. Delaware)

GRADUATE SCHOOL

Keith J. Gerstein (MBA, Rutgers)

Ariel Hylton (Master of Science, *Summa Cum Laude*,
Northeastern)

Abby Walsh (PhD, UC Santa Cruz)

Special Ukraine Section

On Sunday, May 1st, Robin Wishne, Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren came to the FJCC. Robin shared with us a moving presentation of her first hand experience after just returning from delivering medications to the Poland/Ukraine border. These life-saving medications were to be handed to various social service agencies on the ground that are supported by JFEDSHAW.

Robin and Ellen Teller, Presidents of JFEDSHAW carried over 800 pounds of medications, including two huge suitcases full from the FJCC. Thank you to all from the FJCC who so generously participated. Your donations made a huge and immediate impact.



THE 2022 WOMAN OF
THE YEAR IS...

JOSY
KESTENBAUM
MAZEL TOV!

The reviews are in and this is what you said about WOTY 2022...

"The best
WOTY I've been
to."



"Wonderful!"

"The best ever!"

"Food was delicious..."

"Well done!"

"Dancing was fun..."

"Really enjoyed the salsa
lessons."

"It was the best event EVER!"

"...wonderful from start to finish!"

Sisterhood would like to welcome Rachel Rodriguez as the new co-president of the FJCC Sisterhood, to serve alongside Sonia Bellamy. Liz Spinowitz is stepping down, as her family is moving to Florida.

WOTY 2022



Top: Junior Sisterhood interviews past WOTYs upon arrival on the red carpet; Sisterhood "sisters" share a drink and a smile



Above & below: WOTY 2022, Josy Kestsenbaum, poses with her daughter; Josy hugs family as she discover she's the 2022 WOTY!

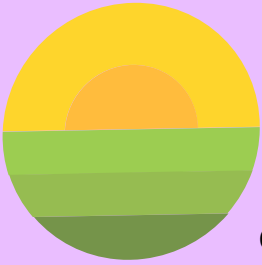




Left: guests and former WOTYs enjoy the WOTYWOOD Wall of Fame
Above: Seated guests, enjoy delicious food, entertainment, a salsa lesson and fun & games.

WOTY 2022

Giving Garden Summer Update



The FJCC Giving Garden has once again expanded. We now have TEN garden beds in which to grow vegetables for Flemington Food Pantry patrons. Our newest bed was formerly our compost bed.

Thanks to volunteer extraordinaire, Virgie, the cucumber plants growing in the former compost bed from discarded cucumbers were lovingly dug up, and replanted after the bed was filled with soil (gifted by Home Depot. Thank you Home Depot!!!!) There were so many cucumber plants growing on their own that we've planted more along the edges of additional garden beds.

Our new compost system is super easy for all to add their compostable kitchen scraps to. It is behind the dumpster, so no more walking into the garden. And there is no cover, so all you have to do is dump your coffee grounds, egg shells, and fruit and vegetable remains right on top of the pile and walk away. Easy peezy. So please set aside your scraps and bring them to our new compost bed. A big thank you to Glenn Gold for building the new compost system. And for much great guidance about growing food.

As has been our custom, the Toddler, Nursery, and Pre-K classes, (six in total), came into the garden to plant their kale and tomatoes and beets and corn and zucchini and onions and sunflowers that were

growing in their classrooms since

April. It's so much fun to witness their individual approaches to planting. Some are gentle and loving. Some are timid and don't want to feel the dirt. Some are careless and rough. And all are excited when they spot a worm. No matter their method of planting they did a great job and with additional tomatoes, peppers and watermelon planted by Virgie and basil, eggplant, and cucumber planted by me our beds are completely filled.

In addition to planting, the Pre K students had a lesson in composting and every child threw an old onion, apple or orange into the compost bed. So much fun!!!!!!

We are looking for whole families, couples or singles to adopt one week this summer to water the beds. This commitment can take as much as four trips or as little as zero depending on the rain and sun. I promise it will make you feel really good.

Please contact Pam Nemeth or the office to volunteer.



NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Get to Know Your Fellow FJCC
Congregants...

Introducing Richard Goldstein!

Richard shares how he came to the FJCC...

My first contact with the FJCC occurred about 16 years ago when my daughter Andrea told me that she was accepting the position with the Hunterdon Gastroenterology Group here in Flemington. Linda and I contacted our friends who lived in Bucks County, PA and decided to meet them to check out the area for ourselves. We drove all over the area.

We were so happy to see the FJCC on our

tour of the town and knew that Andrea and Scott were making a great move into a nice area. Charlotte was born, and they made their move to Flemington and since then Linda and I were out here often on weekends and holidays. We were so glad when Rabbi Jaffe did her naming ceremony in such a beautiful setting. I remember that day: it was so peaceful, and a group of deer passed by the windows just as he was holding her.

Since then, Linda and I were here almost every year for the Holidays at the FJCC. We watched Charlotte and Liam grow here from their early Hebrew School days to now.

Linda and I always felt right at home here as part of our family.

Since I moved here to be closer to Andrea, Scott, and the kids, I have let that the FJCC has made me welcomed as part of the whole community. With Linda gone, I have found a lot of comfort with the members and with Rabbi Cohen as part of the FJCC community.

Although I have still been going into New York to work a few days a week at the Cohen Children Medical Center, I plan to completely retire soon and find a lot of things to keep me busy here in Flemington and at the FJCC.

Welcome Richard! Thank you for sharing your story...



Join Us!

Let's do a mitzvah *together!*



We will meet at the farm in Pittstown or Milford. Location TBD the week of our scheduled days.

Help feed people in need in NJ & PA

Go at your own pace pick a few or pick a lot!

Wed, July 20, 9-12 noon
Mon, Aug 15, 9-12 noon
Thur, Aug 25, 9-12 noon
Thur, Sep 8, 4-6 PM



Any questions? Contact Mona Shapiro ~ monajudith@aol.com

FJCC MOVIE CLUB



Watch the film at home~ then let's discuss!

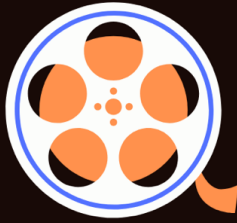
Gentleman's Agreement

Film Discussion:
Tue, June 28
7PM ~ on Zoom

Facilitated by
Karen Walsh



FJCC MOVIE CLUB

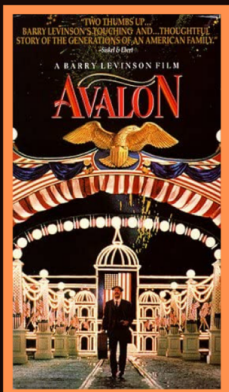


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Avalon

Film Discussion:
Tues, August 23
7PM ~ on Zoom

Facilitated by
John Fellin



End of Summer Celebration!

Save the Date
Sunday, Aug 28
3-6 PM

Live Music
Kids' Activities
BBQ + Beer
(& bubbly soft drinks)

early bird special
register by 8/15
\$18/adult
\$10/child



 **CONTRACT & DUPLICATE
BRIDGE**
with
DAVID GOLDMAN

**DUPLICATE
BRIDGE**
MONDAYS- 10 AM
\$5/pp/session
includes a light lunch

**CONTRACT
BRIDGE**
THURSDAYS- 7:30 PM
\$2/pp/session
includes snacks

BEGINNERS ARE WELCOME!

Mah Jong


Thursdays, 1-3:30
\$5 cash at door

New & Experienced Players Welcome!
Members can bring friends
Light snacks served



Contact Karen Walsh: kwalsh@flemingtonjcc.org

Adult Education
with
Rabbi Cohen



**Thursdays
11:00-12:30**

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SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2022

farmland Ride



FARMLAND RIDE

DISCOVER THE BEAUTIES OF HUNTERDON COUNTY ON THE FJCC'S 5th ANNUAL FARMLAND BICYCLE TOUR



Hunterdon County, one of the most beautiful counties in NJ, will again be the destination for bicycle enthusiasts from casual riders to those who prefer the challenges of a longer ride in the Flemington Jewish Community Center's ("FJCC") 5th annual Farmland Ride on Sunday, June 12th. Starting at the FJCC in Flemington, NJ, riders will enjoy some of the most beautiful vistas Hunterdon County has to offer, whether they choose a 15-mile ride along moderate rolling hills, a 30-mile hillier and more difficult ride, or a 62-mile (metric century) challenging ride along well-marked routes with Sourland Cycles providing Tech support. SAG support will be offered.

In addition to the rest stops, stocked with Hammer Nutrition products and high-energy snacks, participants will enjoy lunch provided by the highly acclaimed Blue Fish Grill of Flemington. Registration is open through the day of the event, but only riders registering prior to May 15th will receive an event T-shirt.

Register on-line at www.bikereg.com/farmland-ride. Bicycle helmets are required for this ride.

Businesses interested in appearing as an event supporter (with name and logo on the event T-shirt) can contact Dena Scibilia at Farmlandride@gmail.com.

BIRTHDAYS

		19		18
		Barry Mittler		Sharon & Kenneth Skowronek
2		20		19
Nathan Lefkow		Susan Rubin		Susan & Stephen Rubin
5		29		19
Lisa Martin		Jack Forman		Nancy & Frank Rumore
6				20
Joan Rogow				Cathie & Arthur Wetstein
7				22
Jeffrey Alexander				Neil & Helen Pollack
9		1		23
Ms Nomi Forman		Joan & Milton Rosen		Jonathan & Karen Stirberg
10		4		26
Josy Kestenbaum		Mona & Dein Shapiro		Phillip & Elise Franklin
13		8		Emily & Jason Quinn
Lenore Levine		Rachel & Garry Rodriguez		29
15		11		Lesley Cohen-Lee & Cliff Lee
John Fellin		Shellie & Marvin Jacobson		30
Mark Weinstein		13		Kari & Scott Gursky
16		Stacey Gould & Richard Goodman		
Antje Doyle		Judith & Michael Lebowitz		
Andrea Wissner		15		
18		Donna Levinston-Braff & Ricky Braff		
Florence Friedman Hurwitz		17		
19		Andrea Goldstein-Byne & Scott Byne		
Dan Gross		18		
		Sharon & Austin Rednor		

YAHREZEITS

1	9	15	22
Morton Engle	Jennie Silver	Ira Stolpen	Rivia Hurwitz
2	Goldstein	16	23
Sheldon H. Lipsitz	Lillian Weinstein	Max Lubowsky	Ian R. Arcus
3	10	Irene Suslow	25
Nancy Taub	Barbara Ackerman	17	Abraham
4	11	Bernard Weschler	Mondschein
Mamie Kaminowitz	Martin Sobel	18	26
5	12	Norbert Hubert	Ida Kamich
Harry Arcus	Rita Kuchinsky	20	Harriet Nemeth
Abram Kaplan	13	Newton Brooks	28
Charles Levinston	Flora Jacobson	Steven Epstein	Minnie Lipsitz
6	Isadore Kanter	Edith Hylton	29
Natale Formica	14	Midred Stempler	Marc Alan Suess
9	Bessie Triber	Edith Weinstein	30
Millie Orlin	15	22	Ezekiel Ezra
	Yetta Fersht	Iris Ort Auerbacher	

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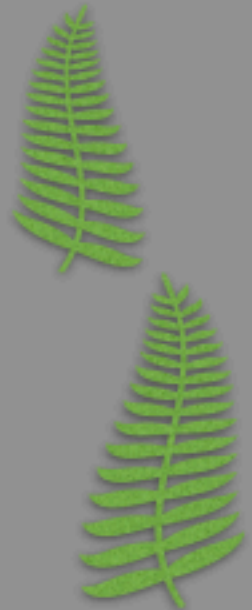
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