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## Survey finds evolving identity among U.S. Jews

By Mark Nemirow

A Pew Research Center survey has been the talk of American Jewry this fall, with much serious conversation about the meaning of its results.

The study found a healthy Jewish population total of 6.8 million American Jews but raised concerns about the weak connection many seem to have with their faith.

Some highlights of the Pew Research Center Survey of U.S. Jews, released Oct. 1:

- Sixty-two percent said being Jewish is primarily a matter of ancestry and culture; while 15 percent said it was mainly about religious observance. Most said it is not necessary to believe in God to be Jewish, while 60 percent said a person cannot be Jewish and believe that Jesus is the messiah.

- Ninety-four percent said they were proud to be Jewish.

- The intermarriage rate is at 58 percent of the total population and 71 percent among non-Orthodox Jews.

- Overall, 22 percent of U.S. Jews describe themselves as having no religion, and they are less connected to Jewish organizations and much less likely to be raising their children Jewish. Among Jews born after 1980, 32 percent said they have no religion.

- About 70 percent said they feel attached or very attached to Israel, and 43 percent said they had visited the Holy Land.

- When asked what was essential to Jewish identity, 42 percent of respondents said having a good sense of humor. Meanwhile 19 percent responded that it was observance of Jewish law. The most popular answer was remembering the Holocaust at 73 percent, followed by leading an ethical life at 69 percent.

- About 25 percent said religion is very important in their lives.

- Less than one-third have synagogue membership, while 23 percent said they go to

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services at least once or twice a month Pew said 62 percent of U.S. Christians are regular churchgoers.

- Ninety percent of parents who identified as Jews by religion are raising their children in the faith. But more than two-thirds of non-religious Jews said they were not passing Judaism on to their children. Fully Jewish married couples are raising their children Jewish at a rate of 96 percent, while that figure is 45 percent among intermarried Jews

- About 70 percent said they participated in a Passover seder in 2012 and 53 percent said they fasted for all or part of Yom Kippur. About 23 percent of U.S. Jews said they light Sabbath candles, and about one-fifth reported keeping kosher at home.

- The Reform movement is the largest denomination with 35 percent, followed by 18 percent Conservative and 10 percent Orthodox. Meanwhile 30 percent did not identify with any denomination. The study predicted growth in the Orthodox share.

According to the latest population data, two thirds of American Jews live in six states: New York (20 percent), California (14 percent), Florida (12 percent), New Jersey (8 percent), Massachusetts (5 percent) and Pennsylvania (5 percent). The others in the top 10 are Illinois, Maryland, Texas and Ohio.

The survey results have prompted much soul-searching and some debate in Jewish communities across America. Some are skeptical about the numbers, while others believe the figures conform with what they are seeing in their own communities.

A column in New York's Jewish Week expressed hope amid concern:

"The signs of erosion of American Jewish identity from within are too strong to ignore. They translate to less connection to Jewish practice and observance among younger

Jews; less attachment to synagogues, and establishment Jewish organizations, including federations; and more tolerance and acceptance for marrying outside the faith.

"Of course there are hopeful notes from the study, including the surprisingly large number of Jews who express pride in being Jewish, as well as those who feel attached to Israel and who have been to Israel.

There is no doubt we are seeing a shift in the definition of American Jewish identification from religion to ancestry and culture. How long can Judaism survive in this land of freedom without religious belief and practice at its core?"

The *Jewish Daily Forward* offered this view: "Initial reactions to the recent Pew Research Center's study of American Jews have been almost knee-jerk in their pessimism," a columnist wrote. "This rush to gloom brings to mind the old sendoff about the definition of a Jewish telegram: 'Start worrying. Details to follow.'

"The actual facts that evoked these reactions needn't be viewed as unequivocally problematic."

The piece took heart in the near unanimous pride in being Jewish and noted that 61 percent of intermarried couples are raising children with at least some Jewish identity.

"The Jewish population isn't shrinking, and even though many Jews intermarry, among those who do, the impulse to evade being seen as Jewish and to avoid "burdening" the identity of one's children with a Jewish connection seems to have faded."

Much of the survey results, including the numbers that many find troubling, can be seen as a byproduct of greater acceptance of Jews in the American mainstream.

The challenge for Jewish organizations of all stripes is to encourage people to enjoy the benefits of that acceptance without losing the basic elements that give the idea of being Jewish its very meaning.



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Be sure to pick up the November issue of *Berks County Living* magazine, featuring our special section celebrating Chanukah. Special thanks to all the advertisers who supported this effort.

## Don't forget to vote!

National and statewide elections are important, but the people who make the decisions that affect our lives most immediately serve at the county, municipal and school district level. Yet turnout for those local elections is alarmingly light. Make your voice heard and vote.

*Election Day is Nov. 5*

# Federation News

## Computer progress — campaign ending

By Paul L. Landry

As I mentioned in my September column, we are implementing new computer software to hold contact and gift information for our local Jewish community.



We use that information to send all of our mailings, both programmatic and fundraising. We are nearly complete with the movement of information and will be starting to use the new software for our mailings during November.

In advance of that change, I want to let you all know that we are certain that not everything with the new version of the information is correct. We don't know specifically what isn't correct, but whenever you do this kind of conversion error creeps in.

So we need your indulgence and help. If something mailed to you is inaccurate in any way, please forgive us and let us know. We anticipate that we will be finding and correcting inaccurate information for months to come. Your help will greatly shorten that period.

When this issue of the *Shalom* appears, we will be entering the last two months of the 2013 Jewish Community Campaign. If you have not yet made your gift to this year's campaign, I hope you will take this opportunity to do so. See the Campaign ad on page 13, where you will find the information you need to make your gift. Gifts of all sizes are important and welcome!

Please know that when you make your gift to the Federation's Annual Jewish Community Campaign, you are not supporting the Federation. You

are supporting the Federation's work, which is to run programs that support Jewish life in Berks County, Israel and worldwide.

By giving to the Campaign, you support people through programs that provide social services here in Berks County, Israel and around the world; Jewish religious education; disaster relief; Jewish themed cultural offerings and more. Literally hundreds of your friends and neighbors benefit from these programs — so please be generous!

## Mazel Tov to Gabriella Michelson

It has been an eventful year for Gabriella Michelson, a daughter of Rabbi Brian and Holly Michelson.



The Wyomissing High School student participated in the North American Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) Israel program last summer.

In December she will be traveling to San Diego to attend the Union for Reform Judaism Biennial as part of NFTY. The Biennial is the largest Jewish gathering in North America. She will join other teens in grades 9-12 who are active in Jewish life or NFTY for exclusive workshops and programs focused on developing teen leadership skills.

Gabriella's trip to Israel and her participation at the Biennial were made possible in part by an award from the Educational Committee of Jewish Federation of Reading's Student Camp and Education Awards program.

She wrote a letter to the Federation regarding the Israel trip:

**Dear Federation,**

Thank you so much for the scholarship that allowed me to have this incredible journey. My Israel experience was the best experience I have ever had in my life. When I left on July 3, 2013, it was just a trip to see my friends, have a good time, and visit Israel. By the time I returned to JFK five weeks later I realized just how wrong I was. I learned so much about myself and about the people with whom I lived for so long. Never in my life did I imagine having the chance to do half of

the things I did.

The trip started in Prague in the Czech Republic. My group and I spent three days there visiting various synagogues and cemeteries. That was not my favorite part of the trip, but I learned a lot. Soon after we traveled across the border to Poland where we spent the rest of the first week. We were doing the same things that we were doing in Prague. Lots and lots of synagogues and cemeteries. One day we did something that very few people in the world get to experience; we visited Auschwitz. That was a very difficult day, but thanks to the incredible people I had around me, I made it through. After the week had passed, it was time to go to Israel.

With only two of our eight counselors, 63 of us got on a flight that would fly us to Amsterdam then to Ben-Gurion Airport. When I first arrived in Israel at 3:00 in the morning, I could not yet understand the overwhelming joy that I would get from traveling around this wonderful place. Just a few short days after arriving, we packed our hiking bags and headed off to the desert. For four days and nights, my fellow group members and I embarked on an unforgettable journey hiking through the Negev. On this hike I was physically, mentally, and emotionally ripped and put back together. I consider those four days the most difficult yet rewarding and memorable days of my life.

After the hiking was over we continued around Israel learning about everything that was possible to learn about the land of Israel. It is truly amazing to think that we fit all of that into five weeks. I could not be more grateful to the Federation for supporting me on going on this trip.

**Gabriella Michelson**



Gabriella Michelson hiking in the Negev

## Making progress at Yemin Orde



Susan Weijel, Yemin Orde staff member, shows Vic Hammel the progress being made on the dormitory being remodeled with funds raised by the Reading Jewish Community. Vic was at Yemin Orde as part of a board of directors mission. Tammy Mitgang, Federation President will visit Yemin Orde in November to officially dedicate the dormitory.

With 40 percent of Yemin Orde's village in Israel burned to the ground, including a house built with support from Reading's Jewish community, we can be proud of the progress being made to our new "home," Abraham Lincoln House. Under its roof, teens from Ethiopia, the former Soviet Union, Brazil and France will be starting a new life.

Yemin Orde Youth Village provides a home, a family and a future to more than 500 children from around the world

who have suffered trauma from isolation and neglect.

Yemin Orde Youth Village and Meir Panim, a program that helps to feed thousands of needy children and their families throughout Israel, are two partnerships supported in Israel by the Reading Jewish Community. Your tax-deductible gift may be made to Jewish Federation of Reading's "Israel Now" Fund. For more information – call Paul Landry at 610-921-0624.

## Something new for our trophy case



A special thank you to Herb Schneider, who added his 1961-62 bowling trophy to the JCC's collection. He was awarded this trophy for his high single game 215. He also received a 1958-59 team trophy: Herb Schneider captain. Members P. Wasserman, E. Daniels, J. Schmeizer, S. Horowitz and L. Bloom.



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## From the President's Desk

## Tap code

By Tammy K. Mitgang  
President

Bam! There it was in black and white, the data that confirmed what many of us working in Jewish organizations and synagogues suspected — Jews are becoming less Jewish. Although we are overwhelmingly proud to be Jewish and have a strong sense of belonging to the Jewish people, one in every five American Jews (22 percent) identifies as having no religion.



We have all witnessed the changes in our own local Jewish community over the years. We have seen congregations transition, buildings sold and our physical footprint adjusted. Reading, Pa., is simply a small Jewish community experiencing many of the same changes being felt across the country. Today we are watching communities of all sizes struggling to 'right-size' themselves; hampered by growing deficits, diminished financial support and a fitful economy.

And, we are not alone. Americans as a whole, not just Jews, are avoiding religious affiliation.

Secularism has been somewhat of a tradition for Jews in America. The most recent findings confirm that 62 percent of Jews identify as being Jewish mainly due to ancestry and culture. Only 15 percent say it is primarily a matter of religion. Even Jews who consider themselves to be Jewish by religion (55 percent) say being Jewish is mainly due to ancestry and culture, and

two-thirds say it is not necessary to believe in God to be Jewish. Three in 10 American Jews (including 19 percent of Jews by religion and two-thirds of Jews of no religion) say they do not identify with any specific Jewish denominational movement.

So what does this all mean to a Jewish community? In my opinion, the changes we are seeing in all communities across the country have the potential to weaken the core values of what being part of a community provide. There is power in being part of a collective — united. Our country was built on it. And, we can't forget the important role of community in personal well-being.

The benefits of community have been recently studied as they relate to prisoners of war and their use of a tap code. A tap code is the way POWs, being held in solitary confinement, successfully communicated with each other when they were not allowed to talk. Using Morse code, they would discreetly tap out words, build sentences and connect with other captured soldiers, in many cases, total strangers. The tap code allowed them to build bonds and a sense of community. They knew they were not alone.

Studying soldiers and their resiliency, researchers found that soldiers who worked to create a sense of community in isolation or during a crisis were less likely to suffer from post-traumatic stress syndrome. They were more likely to live fuller, happier lives. Similar findings were discovered in people who survived personal crisis and those who were faced with the task of rebuilding after a natural disaster devastated their homes and neighborhoods. In situations where

communities were destroyed, the greatest level of resiliency and happiness could be found in places where reconnections and new connections were established quickly, sometimes from virtually nothing. Leaders, old and new, understood the value of a 'tap code'; so did the survivors.

Now, you may consider tweets, texting and email as forms of tapping; but I would argue that even tap codes are no replacement for community and true interaction. They only hold us over until life resumes in some state of normalcy. Does the Pew study point to a new norm? Is there a tipping-point where Jewish community fails?

With Jews of no religion (secular or cultural) choosing to be less connected to Jewish organizations and much less likely to raise their children Jewish, we find ourselves asking the hard questions. Can we sustain ourselves as Jews knowing that just 70 percent of us participated in a Passover meal in the past year and only 53 percent of us fasted for all or part of Yom Kippur in 2012 or that just 39 percent of us feel somewhat connected to Israel? With less than one third of American Jews belonging to a synagogue, will our congregations survive?

By the time you read this column, I will most likely be at Jewish Federations of North America's General Assembly in Jerusalem. Initially, it seemed ironic that Jews from around the world would be gathering in our homeland to further digest the Pew findings — strategizing a 'tap code' meant to stabilize us as a Jewish people until we can rebuild a stronger more resilient community. In retrospect, I believe it was besharet!

## Israeli author offers compelling view on issue of settlements

The following was published in the *Jerusalem Post* and was written by Daniel Gordis, a leading observer of Israeli and Middle Eastern politics who appeared in Berks County in 2012. Read more of his columns on [jpost.com](http://jpost.com).

By Daniel Gordis

In "Like Dreamers," we have a history. We have a great yarn, brilliantly told. And we are exposed to Yossi Klein Halevi as a teacher of great moral weight, begging us to realize that if we truly wish to preserve this little state of ours, there is nothing we can do more important than beginning to hear those whose views are most challenging to our own.

This is the sort of region that periodically forces us to ask ourselves probing questions about our condition and how things got to be the way that they did. Did we intend to get where we are? In what direction would we now head if we were wise? Is change necessary? Is it still possible? It is those sorts of questions that lie at the heart of Yossi Klein Halevi's new book, "Like Dreamers: The Story of the Israeli Paratroopers Who United Jerusalem and Divided a Nation." Klein Halevi, long among Israel's most thoughtful, penetrating, honest and compassionate writers, has now written his magnum opus. Many books in one, "Like Dreamers" is, on the surface, the story of seven paratroopers who liberated

the Old City of Jerusalem in June 1967. But as told through the lives and eyes of these seven men — before the war, during the battles and long after the guns have been silenced — "Like Dreamers" is also a social history and, no less, the story of the internal Israeli conflict about the settlement project, from its very inception and for decades following.

"Like Dreamers" is, of course, not the first book to cover the issue of the settlements. Gershom Gorenberg's "Accidental Empire: Israel and the Birth of the Settlements 1967-1977" is a very thorough and largely accurate history of the origins of the settler movement. The differences between the books, though, are legion. Gorenberg's is a story of a blundering national policy, "crafted" almost by accident, while Klein Halevi's book is the story of people. The men who fought to liberate Jerusalem had come to that battle from very different social and political backgrounds; they went on, in some cases, to found Gush Emunim and in other cases, to become the mainstays of the peace camp. Seeing the two sides through the loves and losses, the triumphs and failures of those who were at the core of these movements affords us a three dimensional understanding of what has unfolded here in a way that no other book, of which I'm aware, ever has before. An infinitely more important

difference, however, is that books such as Gorenberg's (and Peter Beinart's "The Crisis of Zionism," among others) drip with venom and anger. To people like Gorenberg, Beinart and Jeremy Ben-Ami, the settlement project is so foolishly immoral, so callously disregarding of the Palestinians and so corrosive of Israel's international standing that their books are at the end of the day just broadside attacks on both the policy of settlement building and on the men and women who were at its core.

Klein Halevi is by no means oblivious to the problems of the settlements. When Arik Achmon (a central character in "Like Dreamers") is exposed to the worldview of Rabbi Moshe Levinger, Klein Halevi writes for Achmon, "A foreign spirit, antithetical to Zionism, was stirring." Throughout its 500+ pages, "Like Dreamers" shows time and again some of the dangerous impulses at the heart of the settlement movement. But — and here is where Klein Halevi's genius truly shines — the book shows equally compellingly the powerful moral and Zionist commitments of both the settlers and the peace camp. On the most divisive issue faced by a highly divided state, Yossi Klein Halevi gets us to admire,

perhaps even to love, the leaders of both. In prose so compelling that it reads like a novel, "Like Dreamers" makes clear that the real settlement story is not good guys versus bad, Zionists versus non-Zionists, or colonialists versus territorial minimalists. It's something much more complex and infinitely more nuanced.

"Like Dreamers" is almost talmudic in its holding up of conflicting positions for each side to critique and defend. On the one hand, profound Israeli leaders, committed Zionists — from Ben-Gurion to Yeshayahu Leibowitz — said almost the minute the war was over that Israel ought to give most of the territory back; Israel would callous its soul by ruling over so many Palestinians (though interestingly, none of Klein Halevi's characters ever really speak for the Palestinians, so their positions remain only assumed, their voices the ones we end up wishing we'd heard more of). But other Jews — motivated not by hatred or disregard of Arabs, but by love of Israel — disagreed. The Jewish state had always been a story of acquiring land and then building on it. That was the story of Tel Aviv and Petah Tikva. It was the story of Karmiel, built on land captured in the

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# Leadership Gifts

## Eisin 'wows' gathering at 2014 Campaign kickoff

Members of the Berks County Jewish Community gathered Oct. 7 at the magically transformed Jewish Cultural Center to kick off the 2014 Jewish Community Campaign. Those attending enjoyed cocktails and hors d'oeuvres and a wonderful dinner provided by Boscov's A-La-Carte Catering, followed by an interesting and informative presentation by Miri Eisin.

Weaving together her in depth knowledge of the IDF (as a colonel and former Deputy Head of the Combat Intelligence Corps) with her experience

as a former international media adviser to the Israeli prime minister, Eisin extended her discussion to include the implications to the U.S. and the world as Syria continues to slip deeper into civil war, Egypt remains in flux and waves of refugees are fleeing into Jordan, Turkey and Lebanon. Her brilliant summary laid out the complexity of the region with passion, understanding and clarity.

Her counterintuitive conclusion was that the current situation weakened Israel's enemies and therefore made

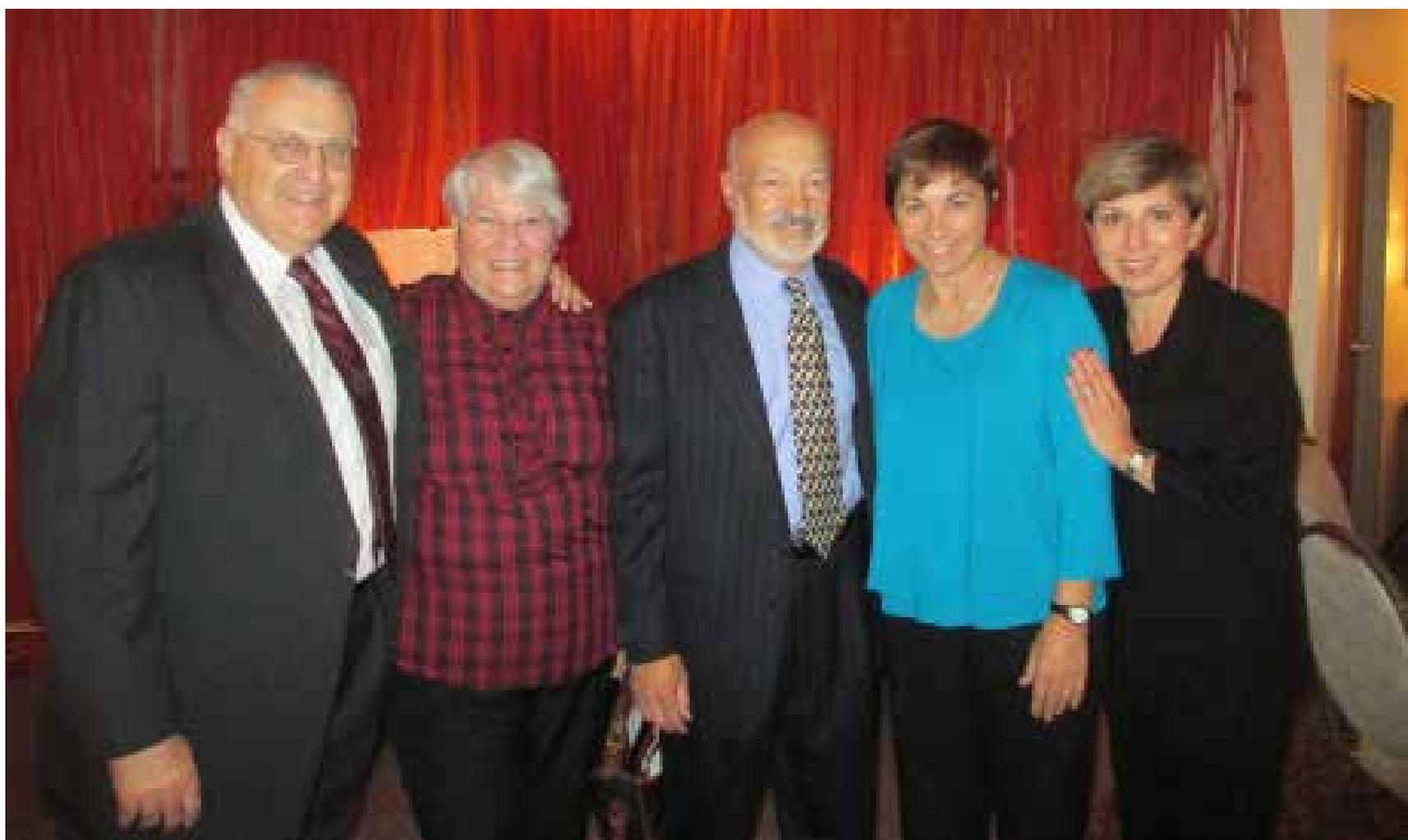
Israel safer in the short run but could cause serious problems in the longer term if even more radical governments came to power in Arab countries.

The annual Leadership Gifts event kicks-off the 2014 Annual Campaign that supports the work of Jewish Federation of Reading here at home, in Israel and around the world. Locally, programs such as Lakin Early Education Center (JCC Preschool), Jewish Family Service, Jewish Cultural Center, Holocaust Library and Resource Center, Shalom newspaper

and collaborative programs with local synagogues, Jewish organizations and the broader non-Jewish community are made possible through community support.

Jewish Federation of Reading is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that depends on the support of the Jewish community to offer its services, programs and activities.

We need your support! You help to shape our Jewish community! You make a difference!



*Paul Landry, Yvonne and Rob Oppenheimer, guest speaker Miri Eisin and Federation President Tammy Mitgang.*



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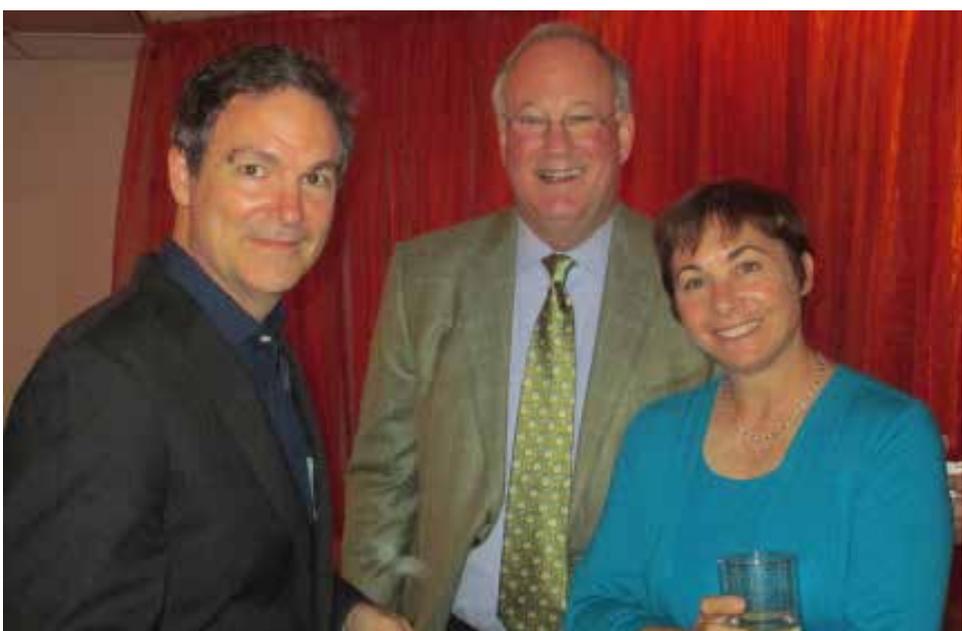
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*Speaker Miri Eisin at the podium*

**JEWISH HOLIDAY CALENDAR**

|                           | <b>5774</b><br><b>2013</b>                                       | <b>5775</b><br><b>2014</b>                                       | <b>5776</b><br><b>2015</b>  |
|---------------------------|--|--|---|
| <b>Rosh Hashanah</b>      | Wednesday, Sept. 4 (at sundown)<br>Thursday-Friday, Sept. 5-6    | Wednesday, Sept. 24 (at sundown)<br>Thursday-Friday, Sept. 25-26 | Sunday, Sept. 13 (at sundown)<br>Monday-Tuesday, Sept. 14-15      |
| <b>Yom Kippur</b>         | Friday, Sept. 13 (at sundown)<br>Saturday, Sept. 14              | Friday, Oct. 3 (at sundown)<br>Saturday, Oct. 4                  | Tuesday, Sept. 22 (at sundown)<br>Wednesday, Sept. 23             |
| <b>Sukkot (Yom Tov)</b>   | Wed., Sept. 18 (eve) - Fri., Sept. 20                            | Wed., Oct. 8 (eve)-Fri., Oct. 10                                 | Sun., Sept. 27-Tues., Sept. 29                                    |
| <b>Shemini Atzeret</b>    | Wed., Sept. 25 (eve) - Thurs., Sept. 26                          | Wed., Oct. 15 (eve)-Thurs., Oct. 16                              | Sun, Oct. 4 (eve)-Mon., Oct. 5                                    |
| <b>Simchat Torah</b>      | Thurs., Sept. 26 (eve) - Fri., Sept. 27                          | Thurs., Oct. 16-Fri., Oct. 17                                    | Mon., Oct. 5 (eve)-Tues., Oct. 6                                  |
| <b>Chanukah</b>           | Wed., Nov. 27 (eve) - Thurs., Dec. 5                             | Wed., Dec. 16-Thurs., Dec. 24                                    | Sun., Dec. 6 (eve)-Mon., Dec. 14                                  |
| <b>Tu B'Shevat</b>        | Thurs., Jan. 16  | Wed., Feb. 4   | Mon., Jan. 25   |
| <b>Purim</b>              | Sat., March 15 (eve) - Sun., March 16                            | Wed., March 4 (eve)-Thurs., March 5                              | Wed., March 23  |
| <b>Passover (Yom Tov)</b> | Mon., April 14 (eve) - Wed., April 16<br>Mon.-Tues., April 21-22 | Fri., April 3 (eve)-Sun., April 5<br>Fri-Sat., April 10-11       | Fri., April 22 (eve) - Sunday, April 24<br>Fri.-Sat., April 29-30 |
| <b>Lag B'Omer</b>         | Sun., May 18   | Thurs., May 7  | Thurs., May 26  |
| <b>Shavuot</b>            | Tues., June 3 (eve) - Thurs., June 5                             | Sat., May 23 (eve) - Mon., May 25                                | Sat., June 11 (eve) - Mon., June 13                               |
| <b>Tisha B'Av</b>         | Tues., Aug. 5  | Sun., July 26  | Sun., Aug. 14   |

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War of Independence. Why then should the land taken in 1967 be any different, especially in places that Jews had lived in as late as the 1930s and 1940s until rabid Arab violence forced them to flee? Could Israel have stymied the impulse to return to those places in 1968 without

smothering the most passionate Zionist impulses still remaining? Can it do so now? What Israel should do now is a question that "Like Dreamers" wisely never addresses directly. But there are hints. Of the seven paratroopers Klein Halevi follows, he seems most spiritually connected to Rabbi Yoel

Bin-Nun. And in an article in *Nekudah*, the settler's publication, Bin-Nun had advocated a policy of "no annexation and no withdrawal," and instead, dividing the West Bank into Jewish and Arab cantons. The Jewish areas would vote in Israeli elections, and the Arab cantons in Jordanian. Even Bin-Nun acknowledged that this was a far from perfect solution, but as Klein Halevi then writes for Bin-Nun, "there [is] no perfect justice in this world."

Does Klein Halevi mean to endorse something along the canton approach? He never says. His purpose in this book is entirely other: He aims to teach us a complex and fascinating history, and to introduce us to seven fascinating, frustrating, passionate men who reflect the wide diversity of Israel's complex society. But there is one lesson he definitely does want to teach. In May 1996, with the peace process seemingly marching forward and the future of the settlements very much in doubt, a young

man asks Bin-Nun "What went wrong?" The rabbi's response was chilling: "We didn't listen to the moral arguments of the Left," he replied.

If there is any line in the book in which a character speaks for Klein Halevi, that is the one. More important to him than the position we take is his hope that we might come to realize that there are powerful moral, Zionist and strategic insights on both sides of this painful divide. If Bin-Nun believes that the settlers' greatest failure was not hearing the moral insights of the left, Klein Halevi insists that what ails our entire country is our inability to listen to the other and to learn. In "Like Dreamers," we have a history. We have a great yarn, brilliantly told. And we are exposed to Klein Halevi as a teacher of great moral weight, begging us to realize that if we truly wish to preserve this little state of ours, there is nothing we can do more important than beginning to hear and to grow from those whose views are most challenging to our own.

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"It's so easy to make friends here."

-Ruth



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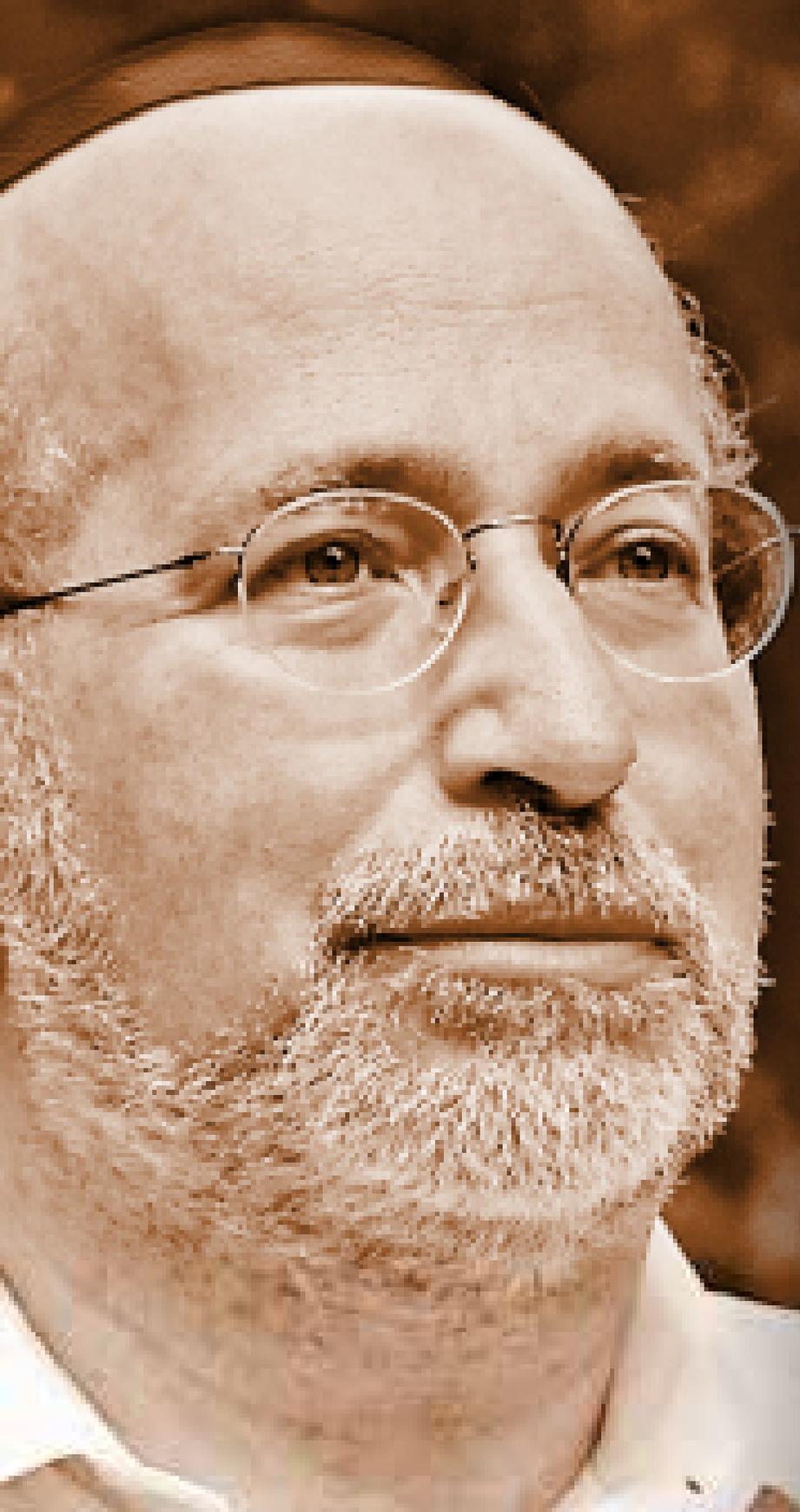
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# Congregational News

## Discovering the power of people

By Rabbi Minna Bromberg

Keshar Zion Synagogue

"I keep mitzvot and I would describe myself as a 'datiyah' [a religious woman]," explained Esther, one of the 40 or so Israelis in the circle of chairs.



We were introducing ourselves on the first evening of a weekly bet midrash — a "house of learning" — meant to bring together adults from across the religious-secular spectrum here in Tel Aviv. Our learning together in the weeks and months to come will focus on the many different meanings and facets of "emunah" (faith or belief). This first evening we had been asked to tell everyone our name and a one- or two-sentence story about an act of faith (however we defined it).

"However," Esther continued, "when I think about emunah, what resonates most deeply for me is actually my faith in humanity. I teach autistic children and

for me teaching is a great act of faith. I strengthen my students by having faith in them, in their ability to learn, and in our ability to discover together how best to help them learn."

A man sitting near me in the circle lit up and took his turn, "My name is Gadi and for me emunah means faith in humanity as well, though I always thought that was because I was raised on a very secular kibbutz. No one ever talked about God, or believed in God, but my parents made aliyah and helped establish the kibbutz because they believed in the power of their own hands to change the world."

As more and more people added their own stories, I found myself completely entranced by the stories of faith (and doubt) these Israelis shared. Here were people who had never met one another before who had voluntarily come together to learn with and from one another about this potentially deeply intimate topic.

In the three months that I will be here in Tel Aviv, I am very much looking forward to

learning with this group each week. We will keep telling our own stories, but we'll also be looking at "emunah" in texts from Torah to Maimonides to Modern Hebrew poetry. My biggest take-away from our first meeting was a deep desire to dig into the whole notion of how "emunah ba'adam" (faith in humanity) might fit into my own Jewish life.

Israel seems to me to be the best place to be to contemplate the achievements we human beings are capable of when we have faith in our own, and one another's, dreams and capabilities. As the kibbutznik in our bet midrash emphasized, this whole country was built by people determined to change their world for the better.

However, while "emunah ba'adam" is central to the Zionist dream, we also celebrate this faith in humanity as we prepare for Chanukah. The rabbis in our Talmud wanted to de-emphasize the Maccabees military victory and focus on the oil that miraculously burned for eight days. My own tendency has also been to focus on the universal theme of finding

light in times of darkness. But we cannot ignore that the heart of the Chanukah story is the very human achievement of the Maccabees' victory over their oppressive and much more powerful foes. God was certainly important to the Maccabees, and yet God appears nowhere in the Chanukah story.

Unlike the Passover story, in which God took us out of Egypt with a strong hand and an outstretched arm, the story of Chanukah is a story of people taking liberation in their own hands. They may (or may not) have had faith in God, but the Maccabees' victory could never have been gained without faith in themselves and each other.

The modern story of the establishment of the state of Israel and the more ancient story of the victory of the Maccabees both invite us to think about what role "emunah ba'adam" — faith in human potential — might have in our own lives, and the lives of our families and community. What might we be able to achieve if we were able to strengthen our faith, belief, and trust in the best in another?

## Connecting Chanukah and Thanksgiving

By Rabbi Brian Michelson

Reform Congregation Oheb Shalom

A great deal is being made of the fact that Thanksgiving and Chanukah overlap this year. Thanksgiving is as late as it can be and Chanukah is the earliest it can be. It will be thousands of years until this concurrence of holidays occurs again. I have heard people half jokingly talk about latkes and turkey together as these holidays mix.



However, I think if we really consider

these two holidays, we can see that there is something wonderful about this coincidence.

On Chanukah, we celebrate the miracle of the oil that should have lasted only one day but lasted for eight. We light our candles and, as Rabbi Hillel taught, we bring more holiness into the world by remembering the miracle and adding new candles, new light, to our menorah each day.

One of the most beloved symbols of this holiday is the dreidel that has the four Hebrew letters, "Nun", "Gimel", "Hey", and "Shin." These letters are an acronym of the phrase, Nes Gadol hayah Sham — a great

miracle happened there. I love to show the religious school students the Israeli dreidel I have where the "Shin" is replaced by a "Pey" for Nes Gadol haya Po — a great miracle happened here.

However, with Thanksgiving and Chanukah overlapping, it may be more appropriate for us to use our Israeli dreidels.

After the Greeks trashed the Temple in Jerusalem the Maccabees could have said, "There is not enough oil for re-consecrate the Temple, why bother, matters are hopeless!" But they didn't. The Maccabees faced down the "what ifs" and the "God forbids" of their troubled times with the confidence born within

their desperate prayers for help and they are provided with a miracle.

The Pilgrims, as the Maccabees before them, were shaken by the overwhelming odds they faced going into that winter in Massachusetts. However, they had faith, and at least as the popular story goes, they were provided with a miracle that helped them survive.

Let us celebrate this miracle and the miracles we may witness in our daily lives. We have many things for which to be grateful. May we sit down at our Thanksgiving tables, pull out our dreidels and remember, not only did a great miracle happen "there," but "here," as well.

## Bringing light to a troubled world

By Rabbi Yosef Lipsker

Chabad Center of Berks County

In addition to the blessing that we make on the lighting of the Chanukah candles ("... that we are sanctified with G-d's commandments in that He commanded us to light the Chanukah candle"), there is a



unique second blessing. Since the focus of Chanukah is its miracles, the Rabbis established a blessing solely dedicated to remembering the miracles of Chanukah. This is the blessing of *She'asah Nissim*, "... that You made miracles for our forefathers in those days, in these times!" What? The miracles were performed in these times as well? I don't recall my Chanukah candles staying lit for eight days. What this blessing is really teaching us is that through fulfilling the commandments of each holiday, we are able to recreate the same spiritual environment that existed during the original event — now.

What happened back then? The Greeks wanted to drive the Jewish people away from the Torah and their special connection to G-d. The Greeks did not object to the Torah as a philosophy. In fact, as philosophers themselves, they embraced what the Torah had to offer. They were upset that the Jewish people were in touch with the Torah's divine element. They were upset that we had a spiritual connection.

This same struggle is happening today. Society is relentlessly trying to impose its base values on our lives, secularizing us and replacing our Jewish awareness. Unlike in the time of the Greeks, our lives are not at stake, and we are not forced to act one way or another. But that makes the challenges we face as a nation that much greater, because it doesn't seem as if anyone is trying to strip us of our spiritual connection.

Every single day I meet and talk to people who have lost their faith. I meet people who have turned their backs on their religion and heritage, who with a little bit of encouragement, and a little bit of learning come running back for the connection they

didn't realize they were longing for.

So every year on Chanukah we do something special to symbolize our attempts to increase spirituality in this society and make the world a better place. Technically it would be enough to light one candle each night to fulfill the commandment of the Chanukah lights. Yet, instead of lighting one candle each night, we light one on the first night, and then add one more candle every night of Chanukah, until we have eight shining lights.

We will not allow the world to close down the Holy Temple that exists within

each of us. Just as the number of candles increase night by night — more light dispelling the darkness, goodness excelling over evil — so also we are empowered to use our talents and strengths to their maximum potential to be a candle dispelling darkness. Just as we light the candles at a window or a doorway, to shine outwards, to be seen by others, so also each of us in our lives should be like candles to shine outwards, examples of positive action to others.

Chana and I wish you a bright and happy Chanukah!

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# Community News

## Elmarzouky to be honored

The Jewish Federation of Reading will join the rest of the Berks County community in celebrating Steve Elmarzouky, area restaurateur and founder of the Islamic Center of Reading.

The Federation and Alvernia University co-sponsored Elmarzouky's nomination as Outstanding Philanthropist honored by the Berks Regional Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. He will receive his award at a breakfast ceremony Nov. 15 in the Green Valley Country Club.

Elmarzouky organizes the annual People First event, in which community volunteers feed the less fortunate at his Queen City Family Restaurant and



four local senior citizen centers. The Federation is a supporter of that event.

He is a winner of the NAACP Image Award, an Alvernia board member and volunteers his time as a chaplain for the Reading Police Department and as a clergyman at Berks County Prison. He is a member of many interfaith organizations and has a long history of working closely with the Jewish community.

## Lecture to focus on Bernstein

Commonwealth Speaker and musician Karl Middleman's presentation "Leonard Bernstein: American Idol, American Idealist" will be held Thursday, Nov. 7, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the JCC. There is no admission fee but reservations are required. Call 610-921-0624 to reserve.

The lecture and discussion offers an opportunity to learn about the Maestro's life. Middleman will share his impressions and present audio and visual excerpts of America's greatest and most exuberant musical hero. Middleman's

engaging presentations mix scholarship with showmanship and are noted for reframing the classical music experience in a bold, revelatory way. In addition to being a Commonwealth Speaker, Karl Middleman teaches at Temple University and is the Founder and Artistic Director of the Philadelphia Classical Symphony.

This presentation is a program of the Pennsylvania Humanities Council, sponsored in part by a grant from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.



Break time at Gratz

## Gratz goes to the movies

Gratz Jewish Community High School's Reading branch has started a new feature.

During break time students will have the opportunity to finish seeing some of the films that were used to trigger discussion in their Media Messages-Video Values class.

Like the old days of movie serials, students will get to see a new chapter each week until the film is concluded. Popcorn will be served.

PROGRAMMING NOTE: Gratz will be closed Sunday, Dec. 1, but please join us at RCOS that day for a community menorah lighting.

## All Around the Town

Congratulations to **Sue and Mel Blum and Judy and Neal Jacobs** on Samara and Matt's engagement. The couple will be married in the Turks and

Caicos Dec. 15.

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Mazel tov to **Beth and Robert Bruck** on the engagement of their daughter Dr.

Ronni Bruck.

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Best wishes to **Marc and Marcia Filstein** on the engagements of both daughters Erica and Margo.

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Mazel tov to Mr. & Mrs. Donald Abramson and Lillian Abramson on the birth of Morgan Taylor Abramson to Bradley and Jaime Abramson, Philadelphia.

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Mazel Tov to **Bob Waxler** on the birth

of his granddaughter Josephine Lilly daughter of Eddie and Rachael Waxler in Los Angeles.

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Congratulations to **Judy Sager and Addie Dunitz** on the engagement of their daughter and granddaughter Rachel to Chris McBee, both of Norman, Okla.

*Until next time: Shalom!*

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## Obituaries

**Ruth L. (Feldman) Finkel**, 92, formerly of Lancaster County and Berks County. Ruth enjoyed sewing and cooking and judged many baking contests at county fairs. She was voted to have had the Best Apple Pie by the Lancaster newspaper. Ruth is survived by her four children: Steven Finkel of Womelsdorf; Dr. Martin Finkel of Cherry Hill, N.J.; Layah Finkel of New Jersey and Dr. Lawrence Finkel of Arizona. Other survivors include 11

grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

**Josef Kleinman**, 92, Philadelphia. Josef was a concentration camp survivor. He is survived by his wife, Lili (Perlman) Kleinman; daughter Frieda Podolsky of Reading; and son Dr. Michael Kleinman and his wife, Jacklyn. Other survivors include six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**Edith Knoblauch**, 94, Reading. She is survived by her husband Harry Knoblauch of Reading.

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## Rosh Hashanah celebration

Members of the community gathered at the Manor at Market Square in Reading for a Friendship Circle Rosh Hashanah celebration.

Jewish Family Service would like to thank Paul Schwartz for blowing the shofar to conclude the service. We would also like to thank Laine Heisler, Steph Brok, Ed Kazin, and Paul Schwartz for helping us serve the Rosh Hashanah meal.

Thank you to Manor at Market Square for hosting and co-sponsoring our event. Also, thank you to Boscovs A La Carte for providing servers for our meal and making it a special holiday celebration!



## Thanksgiving and Chanukah — together at last!

By Joanie G. Friedman

It is not a surprise, not really. For how many years have you heard the jokes about our holidays? We are early. We are late. We are never on time!

For 53 years our family celebrated every holiday together. The reason is simple: we all lived close by. What a wonderful time it was. Yes! We took it all for granted. One day there was a rude awakening and the family moved. One went here and the other went there.

Well, in the beginning, it was fine. We still were together for most holidays, even with the young ones. For some reason, school began and restrictions were placed on getting together. Too much homework, too little times for vacation days.

Five years ago, because of asthma-related problems, we decided to spend winters in Florida. Our children, however, were still in Pennsylvania. They managed to come down for the Thanksgiving weekend and that was fabulous. Uh, oh. Do you see a problem on the horizon? Isn't another holiday slowly creeping up?

The first year, we celebrated Chanukah the night before they went home. And then we realized we would do this every year. Thanksgiving is on Thursday, the rest of the week is devoted to Chanukah! We hung decorations and played spinning the dreidle. We exchanged presents and (don't tell anyone!) the night before they left the children lit menorahs. It took a while to select their favorites. They were allowed to choose from our 39 — displayed on all the upper window sills throughout the family room. It was the next best thing to give us Chanukah memories to last all year. Naturally we have plenty of Chanukah pictures giving plenty of memories of all the fun.

### A rare occurrence

The last time Thanksgiving and Chanukah overlapped was 1888, or at least the last time since Thanksgiving was declared a federal holiday by President Abraham Lincoln, and the next time may have Jews lighting their candles from spaceships 79,043 years from now, by one calculation.

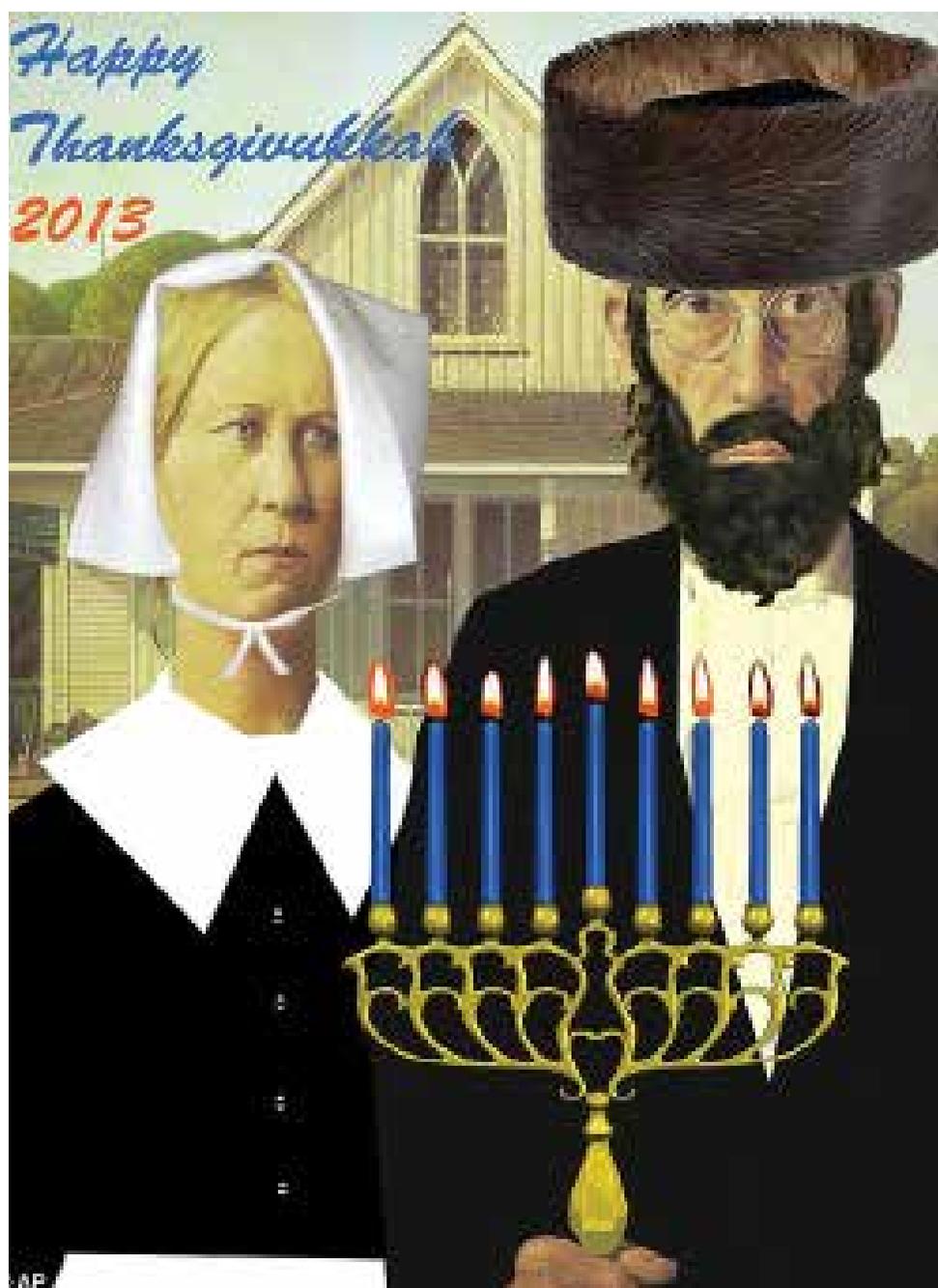
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So what happens this year? I hear friends complaining "Oy! The holidays are so close!" I have the biggest smile — and you know why. My family will have a legal celebration this year! We will begin the night before Thanksgiving, and celebrate for the beginning of the real eight nights. Maybe even the turkey will have blue stars of David all around the platter. How about little round slices of red potatoes for coins? How about dreidles around the cranberry sauce? Maybe ... well maybe, I will think of more things, too!

Naturally I will write everything down, so the next time this happens we will be prepared. What a wonderful time it will be!

(If you are looking for a recipe for Grandma Mary's Tzimmes, write to me!)

Contact Joanie G Friedman contributes to newspapers in the U.S. and Canada, and her "Decorating Diary" appears weekly in the Reading Eagle. She may be reached at [joaniedecorating@comcast.net](mailto:joaniedecorating@comcast.net).



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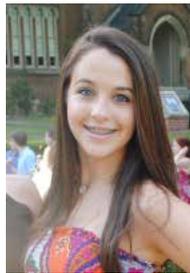
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# Local student headed to D.C.

JoJo Ure, a sophomore at Wyomissing High School, was selected to attend AIPAC's Schusterman Advocacy Institute High School Summit in Washington Nov. 3-5. She is a daughter of Bruce J. Ure Jr. and Janine Schneider-Ure, Wyomissing. JoJo will be representing BBYO at this year's gathering. Jewish Federation of Reading supported JoJo's recognition in this exclusive and special leadership development opportunity with an award from the Educational Committee of Jewish Federation of Reading.



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Mazel Tov, JoJo!



During a day off from teaching English in Kiryat Omanim, Rebecca Maidansky and fellow volunteers of Ramala went on a trip to Latrun. We hiked to Neve Shalom and visited a structure built for the Jews and Arabs of the village to worship together in peace.

## Maidansky named teaching fellow

Mazel Tov to Rebecca Maidansky, daughter of Drs. Igor and Nora Maidansky, Cumru Township, on her acceptance as a teaching fellow through the Israel Way Oranim Project.

She is teaching in a school in Ramala during her 10-month assignment. She

is a recent graduate of University of Pittsburgh.

Her teaching fellowship is funded in part by MASA and an award from the Educational Committee of Jewish Federation of Reading's Student Camp and Education Award program.

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## 'When Comedy Went to School'



A crowd gathers at the Fox East theatre for "When Comedy Went to School." Seated, from left, are Carol Gerber and Helaine Schiffman. Standing in the background are Bernie Gerber and Mickey Roeberg. In the foreground are Linda Roeberg, Elaine Levine and Jerry Levine. More than 120 people attended the screening. Special thanks to Don Fox for donating the use of his theater and the Rubin Family Educational Fund for underwriting the cost of the film.



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## A slower life

By Anne Seltzer

Alan and I spent a long weekend in Charleston for his birthday. We visited there last October also, and both of us pretty much fell in love with it. There is a certain old charm, yet a very vibrant modern feel, about the city. It is a



center of education with two colleges, lots of culture, amazing restaurants, rich history and literally minutes from a beach. And did I mention that they have an active bridge community? In other words, it has all the necessary requirements should we be fortunate and blessed to be able to have a second home to retire to. It is also very dog friendly, which is very important to us. While there we looked at several condos. It's funny how the priorities of what you are looking for at this stage of our lives differs from when we last looked at houses 20 years ago, when we decided to get married and blend our families. Things such as first floor master suites, a large enough kitchen to cook in (which was always important), rooms for visitors, and places to walk Buttons are at the top of the list.

But that was only a part of what we did. We ate at a fabulous restaurant, the Peninsula Grille, for Alan's birthday. I had the best spaghetti squash and Alan's trout was spectacular. Kathleen, our waitress, was kind enough to get the recipe for both for me. The highlight of the trip for me was a visit to the Back in the Day Bakery on a side trip to Savannah. A dear friend had given me a copy of their cookbook when my brother Dave passed away. The bakery is cool, kitschy and retro. We had the best Bourbon Bread Pudding ever. The best part was the owner, Cheryl, came out to meet

and talk to us and I got my picture taken with her! We had a great conversation, and Alan was excited to learn that Cheryl's nephew had played for the Philadelphia Eagles.

We also went to the Charleston Tea Plantation, which is the only operating tea plantation in this country. We toured the grounds to see how tea is propagated, planted, harvested, dried and oxidized. Did you know that all tea leaves are originally created equal? The difference of whether it becomes black, oolong, or green tea is in the oxidation method.

It was a wonderful trip, and I want to share the recipe for the bourbon bread pudding.

### Bourbon Bread Pudding

- 1 ½ lb. ciabatta, challah, or brioche cut in 2-inch cubes
- ½ c. granulated sugar      4 c. half-and-half
- 3 T. vanilla extract      12 T. unsalted butter
- 5 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 c. packed light brown sugar
- 1 c. golden raisins
- Sauce**
- 4 T. unsalted butter
- 1 c. confectioners' sugar
- 2 T. bourbon      ½ c. heavy cream

Put bread in large bowl and pour half-and-half over it, tossing gently to soak. In medium saucepan, melt butter. Remove from heat and add sugars and vanilla. Stir well. Whisk eggs, and then add butter mixture and raisins. Pour over bread and toss gently to incorporate. Pour mixture into a buttered 9" x 13" pan, making sure bread is totally covered with custard. Cover with aluminum foil and bake at 350° for 55 min. Remove foil and bake additional 10-15 min. until golden brown. To make glaze, melt butter, remove from heat and add bourbon and confectioners' sugar until well incorporated, add heavy cream until smooth. Pour glaze over top of the bread pudding and let sit for 15 min. before serving. Enjoy!

## Thanksgiving 2013

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#### Across

1. THE STRONGEST HEAT IS IN THE \_\_\_\_\_ PART OF THE OVEN
6. The term for dairy-intolerance begins with \_\_\_\_\_
10. "I'LL HAVE ANOTHER SERVING OF \_\_\_\_\_ SLAW, PLEASE."
14. APPLE-\_\_\_\_\_
15. SHOUT 'HAPPY TURKEY!' INTO A CANYON & YOU'LL HEAR AN \_\_\_\_\_
16. "I smell \_\_\_\_\_!"
17. \_\_\_\_\_ IS YOUNG COD, AT TIMES EATEN IN LIEU OF TURKEY
18. "EVERYONE! WE'LL BE EATING \_\_\_\_\_ AROUND SIX!" (2 word guess)
19. At disasters, teams go out for \_\_\_\_\_ and then recov.
20. Multi-colored or dappled horses
21. A MIXED VEGETABLE DISH
23. Cry
25. "ONLY A FEW MORE \_\_\_\_\_ TURKEY TIME!" (2 words, the first abbr.)
26. HIGHLY REGARDS, AS ONE DOES THE COOKS ON THIS DAY
30. \_\_\_\_\_ of Galilee
31. Linens or curtains, in Lyon
32. Was grieved
37. The start of, as with a cold
38. FAVORED YELLOW-ORANGE STARCHY ROOT
39. Spanish for "kingdom"
40. "Wasn't my fault! There was \_\_\_\_\_ to moor the ship with!"
42. LARGE COVERED BOWL FOR THE FEAST'S SOUP
43. "\_\_\_\_\_ DEE-LICIOUS, MOM!"
44. "OBSERVE: COOK WILL \_\_\_\_\_ THE ZUCCHINI INTO THE POT."
45. "KIDS HAVE A REAL INTEREST \_\_\_\_\_ CONES" (hyphenated)
48. Some believe these justify the means
49. MANY FOLKS PREFER \_\_\_\_\_ TO THE DARK. (2 WORDS)
51. Dental features
56. David or Samson
57. Sanskrit "nam-\_\_\_\_\_" is a greeting that honors
58. A course or book beginning, abbr.
59. DESERVE, AS IN PRAISE FOR THE MEAL
60. He murdered brother Abel
61. The name behind The List
62. Oak or shoe
63. IN EARLY TIMES, TURKEY WAS CAUGHT WITH A \_\_\_\_\_
64. Metric weights

#### Down

1. Former Cold War adversary
2. Nickname for Francisco
3. Untainted, in Spanish
4. Course, or the real thing, in money matters, abbr.
5. POTABLE SUCCOT AND THANKSGIVING HAVE IN COMMON
6. Rents out, in long-term arrangement
7. "IF YOU \_\_\_\_\_ AGAIN, YOU WON'T HAVE DESSERT." (2 words)
8. "I LOVE \_\_\_\_\_ CAKE, BUT I'LL LEAVE IT TILL TOMORROW." abbr.
9. Set a structure on fire, as in arson
10. Donkeys may pull them.
11. "WELL, YOU KIDS CAN MISS DINNER, \_\_\_\_\_ NOW!" (not a tough choice on this holiday)
12. Lariat
13. Make a drawing by working a tool into metal, then inking
22. FAVORITE PART OF THE TURKEY (stated as option, 3 words)
24. Critical-moment medic service
26. School or jacket
27. Sound prefix
28. Ms. Hinojosa, the folksinger
29. Greek philosopher Zeno's hometown
30. U.S. Uncle \_\_\_\_\_
32. Hebrew for minister
33. Emerald Isle
34. Poetic contraction for not yesterday, today, or tomorrow
35. Chemical suffixes
36. Finished
38. AN ANSWER TO "WANT SECONDS?"
41. WHERE DIGESTING THE FEAST BEGINS
42. Tactical defense vs. missiles, acronym
44. Aim, objective
45. "You know, \_\_\_\_\_ an inner voice" (2 words)
46. Antarctic birch (genus)
47. Lust for Life author Irving \_\_\_\_\_
48. THANKSGIVING AT HOME IS AN \_\_\_\_\_ EVENT, hyphen
49. \_\_\_\_\_ THE KNIFE BEFORE YOU CARVE THE BIRD
50. Jacob's twin
52. Cockney spelling of 'Henry' in French?
53. And others
54. Threesome
55. Road-\_\_\_\_\_ (self-centered drivers)

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