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CHISUK EMUNA BULLETIN

ACCLAIMED FILM CRITIC AND YESHIVA UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR
DR. ERIC GOLDMAN PRESENTS

THE AMERICAN JEWISH STORY THROUGH CINEMA

From *The Jazz Singer* to *Annie Hall*, from *Fiddler on the Roof* to *The Frisco Kid*, and from Cecil B. DeMille to Steven Spielberg, Jews have played prominent roles in Hollywood – both on and behind the screen. Take a cinematic journey on **Saturday, March 12, 2016** with Dr. Eric Goldman, PhD – noted film critic and professor of cinema – as he explores the evolving film depictions of what it means to be a Jew in America.

By analyzing select mainstream films from the beginning of the sound era until today, Dr. Goldman will use the medium of cinema to provide an understanding of the American Jewish experience over the last century. Dr. Goldman will present film clips featuring Jewish characters and themes and lead a lively discussion to unveil how filmmakers, actors, and actresses created and packaged their own unique concept of the Jew as filtered through their own American and immigrant consciousness to create memorable and meaningful art.

Earlier in the day, Dr. Goldman will take part in Chisuk Emuna's Saturday morning services where he will lead a brief discussion during and following services connecting the weekly Torah reading with the evening's larger presentation and discussion.

Doors open at 7:45pm. General admission tickets for the event are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and youth. Tickets may be purchased either by sending a check to Chisuk Emuna Congregation, PO Box 5507, Harrisburg, PA 17110 or by going online to chisukemuna.org and clicking on TicketLeap.

A sign interpreter will be present for the hearing impaired.

For further information, please contact Linda Laff at 717-385-0077.



KADIMA VISITS FOOD BANK

Twelve preteens and parents helped pack boxes of chips and bags of apples at the Central PA Food Bank on January 17th. As advisor Seena Chriti noted, "there is something magical about the children and how they take pride when they feel they are being useful and helpful."

For more information about Kadima, contact Advisor Seena Chriti at seena45@hotmail.com.



RABBI'S MESSAGE

"Don't Worry, Be Joyful."



Joy.

Defined by the dictionary as "a feeling of great pleasure and happiness," joy is something deeper and longer lasting than a transient experience. Joy describes so much of what really matters.

Two brief examples:

In January, Chisuk Emuna hosted a most delightful Silver Academy Shabbat service and dinner. Throughout the evening, there was a palpable sense of joy. Joy of Shabbat. Joy of family. Joy of community. Joy of being alive. Joy of being Jewish. Students and families from different congregations participated actively in services, schmoozed, sang and ate well at dinner. People of all ages felt a measure of Shabbat as – in the words of our tradition – "a taste of the world to come." On that evening, people of all ages were really present. A truly joyful Shabbat celebration.

Recently, I visited Geshur – our Religious School – and I asked a group of students to name the next Jewish holiday. One child (correctly) suggested Shabbat; another guessed Tu B'Shevat, the New Year of the Trees. I asked the children to identify a special day between Shabbat and Tu B'Shevat that could arguably be considered a Jewish holiday. A child proposed Martin Luther King Day. A spirited and yes, joyful, discussion ensued. What a delight to see the students make connections between Jewish values and the Civil Rights Movement. What an inspiration to hear children associating the experiences of our ancestors in Egypt and the experience of African Americans in this country. It was a joy to teach and learn from our children.

Hebrew has different words for joy. The Rabbis, for example, distinguish between *simcha* and *sasson*. "*Simcha* is the spiritual experience that comes with deliberation and after much thought. *Sasson*, however, comes upon a person as an experience without preparing for it, but rather as an outpouring of sudden ecstasy and awe."

The rabbis differentiate these terms, but their descriptions of joy are so interrelated. What was that Friday night Shabbat celebration of Silver Academy Shabbat? An example of *simcha* because it was the culmination of much education and preparation over the years? Or perhaps it was an example of *sasson* – at least for most of us – because we just "happened upon" this experience of joy. We didn't prepare for it; we were just blessed to experience a truly joyful Shabbat.

Some times and places make it easier for us to access joy. The Hebrew month of Adar is about to arrive. (Indeed, this year, we are blessed with two months of Adar.) "*Mi she'nichnas Adar, marbim b'Simcha*," "When Adar begins, joy increases."

What can you do to increase joy for yourself? Your family? Community? Country? World? This month, please share your suggestions with me as we anticipate Purim and focus on the importance and experience of joy.

Ron Muroff
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A YIDDISH SINGALONG!

A ZINGERAY!



**Join us at
Chisuk Emuna
to Learn and Sing
Yiddish Songs,
Both Familiar and
New to You!**

**Shabbat,
February 27th**

12:45 PM

Shabbes Lunch Included

**Open to everyone at
no charge!**

**Singing around a table—
A very joyous Jewish
tradition**

**Please RSVP to 232-4851
so we may plan for your
participation!**

**Questions? Please call
Susan Leviton at
608-0190**

Chisuk Emuna kicked off 2016 with the publication of our latest calendar. Special thanks go to Marty Lamonoff, who shepherded the project from beginning to end, to Steve Lamonoff, of blessed memory, and to Alexis Treeby and Judith Hodara who helped secure advertisements and personal listings that contributed to the project's financial success. We appreciate all who have supported this important congregational resource.

SPECIAL SHABBAT PROGRAMS

WEEKLY

Torah Trope class

with Gerry Gorelick, 9:00 am - 10:00 am Explore the musical system of trope for reading Torah. Learners of all abilities welcome.

FEBRUARY 6

Junior Congregation with Jodie Raffensperger and Emily Freeburn, 10:15 am

Women's Torah Study led by Dr. Andrea Lieber, 10:30 am

FEBRUARY 13

Junior Congregation with Jodie Raffensperger and Emily Freeburn, 10:15 am

Meditation Shabbaton featuring Shelley Adler

FEBRUARY 27

following Shabbat service:

Zingeray/Yiddish singalong led by Susan Leviton, 12:45 pm. RSVP's requested.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Part time Mentor needed

for a young adult in the Chisuk Emuna family with a disability. Must have a car, good references and be caring, compassionate, responsible and honest.

Interested?

Call Michelle at 717-585-5689.

MEDITATION SHABBAT

Join Shelley Adler in an exploration of an embodied spiritual practice on **Shabbat, February 13th**. Shelly will lead us in guided meditations which will enable participants to reconnect with the divinity within each of us. Parshat Terumah provides the perfect backdrop to a meditation on the body as a personal sanctuary, where God dwells within.

Shelly will be making three presentations during this Shabbaton program:

- 1) 10:15 a.m. – a guided meditative experience will take place in a classroom,
- 2) 11:30 a.m. – a shorter guided meditative experience for the entire congregation in the sanctuary, and
- 3) reflections on Jewish meditation, during lunch in the social hall.

All are welcome to participate in this meditation Shabbat program with Shelley Adler.

MEN'S CLUB NEWS

The Chisuk Emuna Men's Club held a successful annual Pasta Dinner on the evening of December 24th. The delicious food was prepared by Kip Portman, Rick Rubin, Judy Marcus, Felix Thau and Baron Tayler. There was plenty of ziti, spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, soda and ice cream for all.

Following the meal, Baron Tayler provided entertainment by performing a Comedy Hypnosis show. Many thanks to Alan Weinberg, Felix Thau, Seena Chriti, Bonnie Pike, Moises Leiferman and Laura Monaco, who volunteered to be hypnotized, and had a great time. They were the real stars of the show.

If you missed this Pasta Dinner, don't miss the next one. Reserve **December 24, 2016** on your calendar right now. You'll have a great time.

Baron Tayler



"Surfing"

Chisuk Emuna volunteers are guided on an adventure during the hypnosis show.

WOMEN OF CHISUK EMUNA

Precious To My Heart

Please join us for a
Women of Chisuk Emuna program

Please bring a piece of Judaica
that is dear to you and share
with us the reason that it is so
special.

Sunday, February 28th
10:30 am -12:00 pm
At Chisuk Emuna



Light refreshments will be served. There will be no fee
for this program.

Please RSVP to Laura Monaco at
xnuyawkas@verizon.net or (717) 671-8506

WITHIN THE FAMILY

Condolences

The Chisuk Emuna family extends condolences to Sara Barron, her husband Todd and their entire family on the death of Sara's sister, Margery Budoff, z"l. May the memory of Margery Budoff be for a blessing and may her family be comforted by their good memories.

The Chisuk Emuna family extends condolences to the Dubin and Gordon families on the death of lifetime member, Anna Dubin, z"l. May the memory of Anna Dubin be for a blessing and may her son, Marty Dubin and her brother, Herman Gordon and their families be comforted by their good memories.

The Chisuk Emuna family offers condolences to Amy Lerner, her husband Hank and their children, Shira and Eiliana on the death of Amy's mother, Maxine Dimeler. May the memory of Maxine Dimeler be for a blessing and may her entire family be comforted by their good memories.

COMMUNITY NEWS

YOU ARE INVITED

February 19 & 20

FOR A SOULFUL SHABBAT WEEKEND
FILLED WITH THE MUSIC OF

MICHELLE CITRIN

Friday

- 5:30 Shabbat Dinner
- 6:30 Services led by Rabbi Cytryn and Michelle Citrin
- 7:30 Oneg

Saturday

- 9:15 Services led by Rabbi Cytryn and Michelle Citrin
- 12:00 Kiddush
- 7:00 Community Concert Featuring Michelle Citrin and her band





Do you have a college student that you would love to come home for the summer and want to help with the start of their career?

Apply TODAY!

SLIP will partner your Jewish college student* with a Jewish business leader in our community. The student will gain experience in their field of interest while receiving mentorship highlighting Jewish values.

Internships are approximately 8-12 weeks during the Summer of 2016 in the Harrisburg Area.

*students must be 18-22 years old.

For more information or to apply, visit

jewishharrisburg.org or contact

Ivy Schneider at i.schneider@jewishfedhbg.org

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Yahrzeits

Name	Shevat	Feb.
Betty K. Minsky	22	1
Ellen Greenberg	22	1
Florence Solomon	24	3
Edward Schoenberger	24	3
Idaline Unger	24	3
Dr. Harold Krevsky	24	3
George Shattls	24	3
Mollie Speisman	24	3
Sadie Gordon	25	4
Lillian Kramer Leviton	25	4
Ruth Feigenbaum	26	5
Betty Danowitz	26	5
Joseph Kaplan	26	5
Eleanor Rubin	26	5
Joseph Smith	27	6
Mary Grabenstein	27	6
Ruth Saevitz Conway	27	6
Ford Bayuk	27	6
Sadie Zommit	27	6
Lilly Loon	28	7
Osher Loon	28	7
Martha Yespay	28	7
Esther Gabelman	28	7
Beatrice Boory	28	7
Fred Glass	28	7
Joseph Stone	29	8
Aaron Lock	29	8
Jennie Kaplan	29	8
Bessie Chipowitz	30	9
Ed Dunietz	30	9
Rose Michael	30	9
Name	Adar I	Feb.
Lewis Cohan	1	10
Alan Katzman	1	10
Sonja Warshawsky	1	10
Charles Minsky	1	10
Meta Abraham Murray	1	10
Maurice Lessem	1	10
Pearl Krevsky Scher	2	11
Joshua Minsky	4	13
Dora Greenwald	5	14
Bessie Goodman	5	14
Samuel Paul	5	14
Ormond N. Urie	6	15
Anne Feinberg	6	15
Susan Baer	7	16
Rita Einhorn	8	17
Martin Heiman	9	18
Barbara Goodman	9	18
Sydney Rubenstein	9	18
Naomi Spector	10	19
Marvin Epstein	11	20
Lewis Rubin	11	20
Ethel Goldberg	12	21
Jesse Laff	12	21
J. Yale Gordon	14	23

Julius Abramson	14	23
Pearl Epstein	15	24
Edward Sender	15	24
Samuel Lock	15	24
Anna Solow	16	25
Arthur Goldberg	16	25
Miriam Glick	16	25
Katy Warshawsky	16	25
Yetta Cohen	16	25
Lillian Green	17	26
Menachem Weinstock	17	26
Ernest Swimmer	17	26
Jean Cohen	17	26
Ervin Klein	18	27
Ann Lock	19	28
Lena Lock	19	28
Timothy Conway	19	28
Aryeh Duneitz	19	28
Samuel Rubin Paul	20	29

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February

6	Jr. Congregation, Women's Torah Study
8	Board Meeting
10	Gesher
13	Jr. Congregation, Meditation Shabbaton
17	Gesher
21	Gesher
24	Gesher
27	Zingeray/Yiddish Singalong
28	Gesher; Sisterhood Judaica Program

KOL HANESHAMA CONCERT

The Center for Holocaust and Jewish Studies of Penn State Harrisburg will present a concert by Kol HaNeshama, the Harrisburg Jewish Chorus, on **Tuesday, February 16**, at 7:00 PM in the Auditorium (C213) of the Olmsted Building. They will perform music composed in a variety of styles with Jewish texts taken from traditional liturgical and more contemporary sources. All are welcome. Parking is behind the building or on the left.

Candle Lighting and Service Times

Date	Candle Lighting	Fri. Eve. Service	Sat. Eve Service
2/ 5-6	5:10 pm	5:10 pm	5:15 pm
2/ 12-13	5:19 pm	5:15 pm	5:20 pm
2/ 19-20	5:27 pm	5:25 pm	5:30 pm
2/ 26-27	5:35 pm	5:35 pm	5:40 pm