

HUNTINGTON JEWISH CENTER NEWS COMMUNITY CONNECTION



by Rabbi Kurshan

The Holy Grail for Keeping Post-Bar/Bat Mitzvah Students and Young Adults Jewishly Active

Many of us know from our personal experience that the arid years of Jewish commitment and involvement for our children are the years following Bar/Bat Mitzvah through young adulthood. It is only when some of these young adults become parents themselves that they return to their Jewish commitments and involvement with Jewish communal life.

A recent study has uncovered the Holy Grail for keeping our adolescents and young adults religiously involved. The key element is parents. A study by a sociologist, Christian Smith, analyzing extensive data from the National Study of Youth and Religion indicates that parents are the most important influence on whether children will remain religiously involved during their teenage and young adult years. In a stunning finding just one percent of teens aged 15 to 17 raised by parents who attached little importance to religion were highly religious in their mid

to late twenties, whereas 82 percent of children raised by parents who practiced their religion at home and were actively involved with their congregation were themselves religiously active as young adults. As is true for so many areas of life, the behavior parents model is imitated by their children for better or worse.

Regrettably there are many cultural forces making this a hard role for parents to play. Many parents have a secular outlook and cannot make religion a priority in their lives even for the sake of the "kinder". In addition, the role of parents recedes in the teenage years as peers, social media, music and a celebrity culture take over. Additionally many cultural messages say to parents to leave religious and spiritual development to the "experts" i.e. to the clergy, synagogues/ churches, and youth groups.

When I was a teenager I was determined, like most of my peers, to end my Religious School education with the conclusion of seventh grade. I was busy with school extracurricular activities and wanted free time for my friends. Hebrew High School seemed to a thirteen year old like a waste of a precious few hours. My parents told me emphatically that it was not a matter of choice whether I attended Hebrew High School. I was continuing, and what I wanted to do did not matter very much. We had several months of "knock-down, drag-it-out battles" in which I mustered

every argument for not attending, but my parents stayed the course even though I made it difficult for them to do



The Progressive Dinner

so. I don't remember loving Hebrew High School, but it was not as bad as I anticipated. What spoke to me most loudly, however, was that for my parents continuing my Jewish education was a priority. I am sure their persistence was a factor in my continuing engagement with Judaism.



SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: AGING WISELY

Saturday evenings: January 17 and February 7

7:30 pm

Discussion Leader: Rabbi Neil Kurshan

We will watch two more beautiful and critically acclaimed successful films that focus on the theme of growing older with wisdom. Each film depicts with sensitivity and originality a transition in life that is often tinged with sadness, but which in these films is portrayed with humor, poignancy, and beauty. The second film in the series, *Number Our Days*, is a poignant award winning film, by Barbara Myerhoff that depicts a group of elderly Jews in Venice, CA sustained by their humor and indomitable spirit. Our last film will be *Amour*, a touching and tender drama about the care and unconditional love of a long married couple for one another during the final stage of their lives.

Refreshments will be served, and there will be a parallel children's movie shown in the gym with babysitting. BYOKB ~ Children: Bring Your Own "Kozy" Blanket; Adults: Bring Your Own Kosher Bottle.

All films will be viewed in the Social Hall in our new large screen venue.

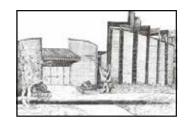
Attention all Committees of the Synagogue!!!!

Advertise your volunteer opportunities

here!!!

If you would like to post a volunteer opportunity here, please contact Kim Willen at kwillen@mac.com

Send me any and all information you have about volunteer opportunities in your group and we will list them in the Bulletin (this will be a ongoing monthly posting).



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January 2015 5775 Tevet/Shevat

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11 JNN RS workshop Men's Club 9:15 Kad/USY	12 SH Board 8pm	13 RS Parent - Teacher Conf. 5:45pm	14	15	16 Shabbat Services 6pm	17 Sat. Night at the Movies 7:30pm Va'era
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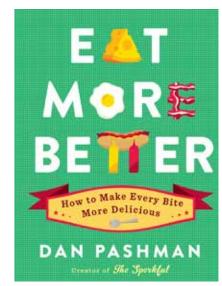
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HJC Men's Club Author Event/Book Signing Sunday, January 25th, 10:00 AM



Signed books will be available for purchase.
All are invited. Please RSVP to hjcmcprez@gmail.com

Dan Pashman is the creator and host of WNYC's James Beard Award-nominated food podcast **The Sporkful** and the author of the new book **Eat More Better: How To Make Every Bite More Delicious,** which Slate named one of the Best Books of 2014. He also hosts the Cooking Channel web series **You're Eating It Wrong** and is a contributor to NPR and BuzzFeed.

Mitzvah Team

preparing lunches for HIHI







Jewish Nutritional Network News



The JNN Report for December 2014: It takes 15 or more volunteers to prepare a hot rice and beans meal. Some are cooking hot food, some baking biscuits, some making tuna fish sandwiches, some counting apples, some arranging the logistics of the meals for delivery to three separate locations. Some are scrubbing pots. some scrubbing counter tops. The number of recipients are growing weekly. The families are living in motel type housing. This past Sunday, 340 meals were prepared at a cost of approximately \$1 per meal.

Become a part of the Jewish Nutritional Network. We meet Sunday mornings at 8:45 am, in the dairy kitchen. Please consider making a donation to help feed families in need.

Rob Fisher - JNN Coordinator rfish51@aol.com

HJC Community News

CONDOLENCES

Ira Kalina on the death of his mother, Paula Kalina Nat Weiss on the death of his wife, Jo Ann Weiss

The family of Esther Vickers

Richard Wertheim on the death of his brother, Joel Wertheim

Howard Goldstein on the death of his mother, Howard Goldstein



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Dedicated in memory of Susan Katz z"l, longtime Schechter LI parent, board member and Director of Recruitment.

We thank the Melvin and Eunice A. Miller Foundation for sponsoring The Night of Jewish Learning, 2015. In loving memory of Dr. Henry and Betty Eisenberg, great grandparents to Zoe, Maya and Daniel Sakellarios and Jacob, Gabriella and Benjamin Miller.

This event is free and open to the community, but RSVP's are required. RSVP: adultlearning@schechterli.org | 516.935.1441 Ext. 1137



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President's Perspective

by William Wertheim



The days may be short, but they are filled with activity. As I write this, Hanukkah is upon us and the air is rich with the smell of frying latkes. Apart from the delicious smell, I am still excited over the success of our recent Progressive Dinner. Chaired by Carol Baker and Suzi Susskind, the dinner was a huge success by every measure. People from all over our synagogue community turned out to eat, schmooze, and re-connect. I was particularly

pleased that new members came, and that people who didn't know each other got to meet and become acquainted with each other. After the dinner, we gathered for dessert at the home of Joe and Kim Willen, where we listened to Cantor Gordan croon, Ken Gold tickle the ivories, and Joel Wirchin strum his guitar and sing. And, we raised a bit of money as well, with the donations and with the raffles. A fun evening, and a special thank you to Carol and Suzi for both conceiving and carrying out the event, and to Joe and Kim for opening their home to all of us.

On a more serious note, as you all know from my recent note to the congregation, Jane Hallberg has left HJC for a new position. While we anticipated re-structuring the office later in the year, we thought we would have a bit more time with Jane. However, this was a terrific opportunity for her, and we wish her the best of luck in her new role. In the meantime, Andy Levy has kindly offered to manage the office while our search for an Executive Director is going at full speed. It's been a great thing that Andy is doing so, because he already had a good knowledge of how the office runs after his term as Treasurer of the synagogue. I feel very comfortable with the office under Andy's guidance during this transitional period, and I encourage you to stop by or drop him a note for any issues that may arise.

In the meantime, I do want to apprise you of the progress of the search committee's efforts to identify a new Executive Director. The committee is hard at work, and has received a large number of resumes from very qualified candidates. They have begun the process of preliminary interviewing several of them, and further interviews will follow. While I cannot give you a specific timeline for when the process will be concluded and we will have a start date for a new Executive Director, I can assure you that it will be a swift and robust process, and the committee with input from our professional staff will find a great individual to take this role. Our thanks go to Ellen Steinberg and Andy Levy for chairing the committee, and to all the members who are working so hard to see this process through to a successful conclusion.

My last note, though it is a bittersweet one, is regarding the process for finding a replacement for (our irreplaceable)

Rabbi Kurshan after he retires from HJC. Since this is the January-February edition, before the next edition comes out, I hope to have put together a committee that will start exploring how to go about this process. I think it is crucial that this process represents views from across the whole congregation. Rabbi Kurshan has done so much good for so many people in so many different ways, it is difficult to piece together all the roles we will need to fill, but my hope is that with everybody's input, we will be able to get a sense of how the committee can structure this process. While it is early—Rabbi Kurshan will be with us through July of 2016, I am happy to note—I think it is wiser to start understanding what we need in a rabbi now, rather than wait until next year. So stay on the lookout for further announcements about this process and how it will work.

Happy Hanukkah, Happy New Year, and stay warm!



Membership and Getting Involved

Just a reminder it is not too late to send in your dues envelope or get involved in one of the many Sisterhood Committees. Please contact me if you are interested in getting more involved.

Women's League and Torah Fund

This year's theme for Women's League is Mishpachah (Family) and the Torah Fund pin is the Tree of Life. All contributions to Torah Fund are used to fund specific projects or towards scholarships at the Jewish Theological Seminary (New York), Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies (Los Angeles) and the Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies (Jerusalem). Please contact Vicki Rosen or Ethel Sachs to make a donation.

Hamentashen

It is that special time of year again when the Dairy Kitchen is filled with the wonderful aroma of Hamentashen. Sisterhood is sponsoring the Baking and Sale of Hamentashen. Baking has started under the direction of Jeff Moss. Volunteers are needed to make dough and prepare the cookies for baking. Jeff will be in the Dairy Kitchen on Sundays during the day and/or you can work with Donna Fleiss on Wednesday mornings. This is open to all, experienced and not so experienced bakers to participate in this wonderful project. Order forms are available in the HJC Office. All monies from the sale are used to support our HJC Community.

Thank You – All volunteers that helped with the Chanukah Happening Book and Judaica Shop Sale and to our HJC Community for your continued support of the Book Fair.

Upcoming Events

January 22nd & 29th – Jewelry Workshop at 8 PM

Gift Shop – Please remember the Sisterhood Gift Shop for your holiday and gift needs.

The Power of Prayer by Hazzan Israel Gordan



Although the weekday morning (shaharit) service happens six days a week and the Shabbat morning service is only once, more people are probably familiar with the Shabbat morning service than they are with the weekday shaharit service. There are far more people in shul on a Saturday morning than there are on any other day of the week. There are many important and interesting differences between the two that I'd like to briefly explore here.

The Shabbat morning service is much longer than a standard

weekday morning service: two and a half hours versus 40 minutes. The Shabbat morning service includes birkhot hashachar, p'sukei d'zimra, shaharit, torah service, and musaf, whereas during the week, it is just the first three parts. In addition, each of those parts is longer on Shabbat than it is during the week. One of the main reasons for this is because Shabbat is the day of rest and there is nowhere else anyone needs to be, whereas during the week, people have to rush off to work after services. This allows for more time on Shabbat for flowery words of praise for God. Another major difference lies within one of the main prayers: the Amidah.

During the week, the amidah is known as the shmoneh esreh, or "the 18", because of the 19 (it used to be 18) b'rakhot that it contains. These 19 b'rakhot cover many different topics, including specific requests from God. On Shabbat, we refrain from asking for things from God, and instead use the Amidah as a time to praise and thank God for giving Shabbat to the Jewish people as a way of honoring creation and remembering the exodus from Egypt.

Interestingly, Shabbat is the time with which most people associate the mi shebeirach for those who are ill. Even though we do not make requests from God on Shabbat during the normal prayer service, we ascribe special powers to the Torah when it is out of the ark. During the Torah service, because the Torah is out, we ask God for healing for those who are in need and, in our congregation, provide an opportunity for anyone who wants, to come up to the Bimah to give the rabbi names of individuals for whom they would like the prayer made. Debbie Friedman's version of this prayer is one of the most commonly known and widely sung pieces of modern Jewish music in the 21st century and can be heard in synagogues across the denominational spectrum and across the country.

It should be noted, however, that one does not have to wait until Shabbat to make a prayer for someone who needs healing, and in fact, one can do it any day of the week. One of the b'rakhot in the amidah during the week is praising God as the healer of the sick. Within the text, there is an opportunity to insert a person's name to make a specific prayer for someone who needs healing.

The next time there is someone in your thoughts and prayers in need of physical or mental help, you are certainly welcome to add their name to the mi shebeirach on Shabbat. But there's also no need to wait until Saturday; you can say it any day of the week!

Religious School Update

by Maxine Fisher Religious School Administrator

Welcome back from winter break! I hope everyone had an enjoyable Chanukah and is ready for the start of the new secular New Year.

School resumes on **Tuesday**, **January 6**, along with Chaverim. On **Saturday**, **January 10** we will have Junior Congregation.

Sunday, January 11 is a very busy day. There will be parent/ teacher conferences for Gan/Aleph parents. For their children we will have a fun morning of games and relay races—so there will still be school for them that morning. The Mitzvah Team also has conferences from 9:00 - 10:00 AM. That same morning is also the second Vav workshop with Rabbi Kurshan.

On Tuesday, January 13, grades Bet through Vav will have their conferences. There will be early dismissal at 5:45 PM and conferences will start at 6:15. Check your children's backpacks for the time and date of your conference, which will also be sent via email. The Mitzvah Team will also have conferences on Tuesday from 4:30 until 5:30 PM, as well as regular class.

There will be no school on Sunday, January 18.

Sunday, February 1 is Men's Club's World Wide Wrap, to teach those interested in learning how to wear tefillin how to do so. Volunteers will be available to show anyone interested—including our students—how to wrap. The Vav class is invited to join the service that morning, along with their parents, and breakfast will be provided following services. The Vav class and their parents will then go to the fourth Vav workshop with Lester Fox. That same morning our Gan/Aleph and Bet classes will go on a field trip to the Discovery Museum at the Commack JCC.

Sunday, February 8 is another very busy day at school. We have the fifth Vav Workshop with Dr. Cindy Dolgin, as well as the Gan/ Aleph Tu B'shevat Seder and the Bet Shema pillow workshop.

Save the Date:

Friday, January 23: Family Shabbat dinner and program for the Gan/ Aleph and Bet classes

Satuday, January 24: Shabbat Shindig with Cantor Gordan

Sunday, January 25: Third Vav Workshop with Rabbi Kurshan

Tuesday, January 27: Hebrew Chug, 6:15 PM

Tuesday, February 3: School-wide Tu B'shevat Seder

Saturday, February 7: Shabbat Shindig with Cantor Gordan.

Sunday, February 15—Sunday, February 22: No Religious School

Saturday, February 28: Junior Congregation

Hannukah Happening and Camp Fair



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The analysis of the data of the National Study of Youth and Religion indicated that the key factors for parents influencing their children were talking about religion and spirituality at home and demonstrating religious commitment by behaviors such as attendance at services. While the study did not specifically focus on Jewish families, it is easily translatable into our own religious tradition. A family that insists on their children being home for a Friday night family Shabbat dinner; a family that discusses Jewish issues around the table, such as why we have survived for 4000 years; a family that attends Shabbat services together—I know there is sometimes fierce resistance from teens being seen within ten feet of their parents—all these behaviors are likely to have a significant impact in later years. Clergy and the synagogue are not irrelevant to the enduring Jewish commitments of our children. We are able to reinforce parental commitments, and we can educate parents so that they are more comfortable sharing their religious commitments and knowledge

with their children. However, if Judaism is only a minor factor in a home or even if it is just on a par with school, sports and other extracurricular activities, we will have little success in countering the unspoken message that Judaism is just one more voluntary activity among others.

The message of this study is not an easy one to hear. It is hard work to impart our commitments to our children. While there are no guarantees, we know what is likely to result in a significant probability that our children will retain their Jewish commitments. As the author of the study concluded, "Parents set a kind of glass ceiling of religious commitment, above which their children rarely rise."

Early Childhood News

by Ilene Brown



On November 18, at 4:30, we hosted our very first Early Childhood and Religious School Mixer. This event was created to continue to build a bridge between the ECC and Religious School. It served to foster the feeling of community at HJC and cultivate long lasting relationships. This Mixer gave the younger children and older children an opportunity to "mix",

play and bond together. We had an incredible turn out from the ECC. Approximately 35 children from the ECC with their parent participated in this new event. We set up crafts, floor puzzles, board games and a reading area where the older religious school students could socialize and bond with the younger preschool children. Margie Rothenberg's students and a few others jumped right in and began playing and engaging the ECC children. There was laughter, fun and just an all-around great feeling between these two very different age groups. The Religious School students cared for and interacted with the ECC children like they had known them forever and the young children were immediately drawn to them. One of the highlights was watching one of the older children read a PJ Library book to a small group of preschoolers. Cantor Gordon came in at the end of the mixer and united the group even more through music. The children and adults got together in a big circle to sing and participate in some fun movement activities. This event was very successful and everyone left feeling great. Special thanks go to Maxine Fisher, Margie Rothenberg, Cantor Gordan, the ECC Staff and especially the children of the Religious School who made this event so successful.











Spotlight on...

The Huntington Jewish Center is embarking on a new project that we hope you will embrace. The Storytelling Project is designed to give everyone in our congregation an opportunity to share his or her personal story. For more information or to get involved, please contact: **Nancy Cooper: 516-356-7109 or email: nancyberlow@gmail.com**

Bob Mesard



Bob grew up in Brooklyn – his father was with the Army Corps of Engineers and traveled a lot; so his main influencers were his mother and grandparents. One memorable event was that Bob asked his father for an airplane ride. It was promised to him that he would go the next day, but that did not happen - the next day was December 7, 1941.

When Bob was six

years old, his family moved to Little Rock, Arkansas, which was strange for him, because he thought the whole world was like Bensonhurst, Brooklyn, comprised of only Italians and Jews. Bob's family moved several more times, but settled in Flushing when Bob was in the third grade. NYC schools were further ahead than those he had attended but he recalls finding a niche as teacher's pet. The frequent moves in his early life were formative for him.

When Bob met Betty (of blessed memory), he knew on the first date that she was the one for him. He quipped that she was quite tall, and just loved how she responded by sitting up even taller. They were married eight months later, and soon after their wedding, moved to Huntington in 1965.

Betty became involved with HJC when their eldest son, Wayne, was of nursery school age. Betty was instrumental in helping to start the cooperative nursery school at HJC. Bob's family has been a source of true happiness for him. Sharing life with Betty and his children, Wayne, Renee, and Ron, and watching his children grow up, has been very satisfying. The most important values to him are ethical behavior for himself and for his family. Bob is proud that Wayne, Renee, and Ron are honorable and ethical people. In his words, "In general, I've led a pretty happy life". It was sad to lose his parents. But saddest for him was the loss of Betty six months ago.

While Bob's career was in the engineering field, (he attended Union College and has a bachelor's degree in engineering and a B.A.), his real love has always been theater. Bob's first memorable involvement with HJC was singing in the Milk and Honey musical production, and he has had a role in every theatrical production at HJC since then. There's something about putting his energies into acting that goes to something deep inside – it feels meaningful and purposeful. If Bob had to do it all over again, he would have pursued a career using his voice and dramatic talents. Bob said, "I find great joy in being in the shows and look forward to them as a way to lose myself in the role I'm playing. I've enjoyed playing bad, blustery guys, and get a great kick doing it - it's fun!"

Bob has had professional voice experience and with his deep resonant voice, sings with the Twin Shores Chorus, a chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society. In addition to performing in shows, Bob's acting resume includes many commercials (one was a takeoff of Goldilocks and the Three Bears that was "great fun"), voice-overs, being a DJ for WGSM, and corporate narrations for IBM, PSE&G, Salvation Army, etc. He served as a docent for the Old Bethpage Restoration Village, assuming a range of roles including shopkeeper, minister, and blacksmith. And as a volunteer for the Jewish Braille Institute, Bob used his distinctive and clear voice to record books for the blind.

Besides his theatrical involvement with HJC, other meaningful real-life connections for Bob were his children's b'nai mitzvot, the trips to Israel he and his family took with the community, and the friends he has made at HJC.

Bob expressed that his motivation now is to remain a member of society – "person to person" with family and friends; his connection with HJC helps him in that regard. This motivation has helped him in the grieving process, and he expresses deep gratitude that people have come forward and made him feel that they are truly friends. Though Bob grew up in a secular family, being at services now helps him feel comforted; that he is connected to something larger than himself...the community.

Bob has a very dry sense of humor. I asked him if his sense of humor has served him well. He chuckled, "sometimes".

Interview compiled by Elaine Kleinman & Bob Mesard.

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Joan & Paul Cohen in memory of Ruth Cohen at yahrzeit. Ellen & Jay Steinberg in honor of the birth of Tamir Yaakov Simonovich Kurshan, grandson of Rabbi Neil & Alisa Rubin Kurshan.

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Patricia Schoeffler in memory of Alexander Cochrane at yahrzeit.

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Richard Klein in memory of Samuel Klein at yahrzeit.

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yahrzeit.

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Renda & Ken Rosenblatt in memory of Henry Lederman at yahrzeit.

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Miriam & Joel Wirchin in honor of the birth of Tamir Yaakov Simonovich Kurshan, grandson of Rabbi Neil & Alisa Rubin Kurshan.

Miriam & Joel Wirchin in honor of Mary Uricchio & Michael Buchholtz receiving the Humanitarian Award at the UJA-Federation of New York 2015 Suffolk County Inaugural Dinner.

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Marlene & Leonard Hummel in honor of the marriage of Elise, daughter of Karen & Michael Fishelson, to Scott Kaufman.

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Jill & Arnie Sherman in memory of Fae Cohen at yahrzeit.

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Marilyn & David Klein wishing a speedy recovery to Marygrace McCollough Hommen.

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Sarah & Jerry Saunders in memory of Irvin Epstein at yahrzeit.

HJC Babysitters:

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Noah Morris cell: 631-427-4798.

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Ellen & Jay Steinberg in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Gabrielle, daughter of Cheryl & Peter Berman.

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Kitah Bet's Israel Trip





New Year's Concert Jan. 4, 2015 at 4 pm

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Purim begins Thursday evening, March 5th and Sisterhood is once again busy in the kitchen baking delicious Hamantashen (all dairy)!

<u>Available Flavors</u>					
Raspberry	Apricot	Prune			
Chocolate	Apple Apple	Poppy Seed			

If you could spare an hour or two to make dough, mix, roll or fill, please email Jeff Moss at jeffreymoss14@gmail.com

Use the handy tear sheet below to submit your orders to the HJC office. Please send payment with your order.

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Flavor Raspberry Apricot Prune Chocolate	# of Dozen	Total @ \$10/dz.			
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Summer Scholarships

Summer Camp Scholarships and Reduced Tuition

The Foundation for Jewish Camping is offering \$1000 scholarships as well as 40-60% off tuition rates for students attending a Jewish overnight camp for the first time. There are over 150 camps and specialty experiences to choose from to make this summer a perfect adventure. For further information, contact Maxine Fisher in the Religious School office or OneHappyCamper.org.

SUMMER 2015 SCHOLARSHIPS

DONALD L. GORDON ISRAEL SCHOLARSHIP – This scholarship is awarded to high school juniors and seniors who spend six to eight weeks during the summer in Israel. They tour, learn, and live the Israeli life in a Jewish educational program.

DAVID S. ROSENMAN CAMP RAMAH SCHOLARSHIP – This scholarship is awarded to youngsters in grades 4 through 12 who spend either four or eight weeks at Camp Ramah in the Berkshires. This camp is under the auspices of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Applications for both scholarships are available in the HJC Main office and the deadline for submission is March 30, 2015.

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Saturday, February 28th, 2015 @ 8:00 PM Sunday, March 1st, 2015 @ 3:00 PM ,

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Saturday, March 7th, 2015 @ 8:00 PM Sunday, March 8th, 2015 @ 3:00 PM

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Thank you for your support!

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Whatever your preference, please submit your ad so that your message will be included in the "Kiss Me Kate" Playbook.

Please use the order form below, or email us your ad form to: hjcplay2015@gmail.com

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