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## FREEHOLD JEWISH CENTER

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## RABBI'S DESK – Ira Grussgott

### Shul Davening : A Way to Warm Up

When I was reminded that the prior Newsletter covered December and January and the current edition covers February, the following story came immediately to my mind."

One day in the early winter a newcomer to the Northeast found frost on his car windows and he tried to scrape it off.

"What are you doing?" asked the neighbor. "Getting rid of the frost" came the explanation. "I can't see out of my windows. You're doing it the hard way," commented the well-meaning friend. "Why not warm it up from the inside first? Put on the heater and you will see the frost disappear by itself."

If we feel warm inside, we can melt away the frost that clouds our vision and distorts our view of other people. All we need to do is say the kind word, pay the little compliment, make the effort to understand and appreciate those near and dear to us. When we open our hearts to them in love, they can see us more clearly and can respond to us in kind. That's with warmth.

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**This Newsletter is for you**, our Freehold Jewish Center Congregation, and we are pleased to open the forum to you and give you an opportunity for expression and reaching other congregants. **Call us and share you Simchas. Write an article for "TIDBITS."**

**MPG's** Are you getting the MPG's you need. See Page 12.

**VACATION** Rabbi Grussgott will be in Israel from January 29<sup>th</sup> to February 10<sup>th</sup>. Let's wish him a safe journey and return. (תפילת הדרך)

## RABBI'S DESK, continued

But we can go beyond family and friends. We can appreciate our Shul too as a shelter from the frost of apathy and isolation. We can, particularly at this time, attend regular services, weekly, daily as well as commit to attend, support and participate in the number of other activities we in our Shul have scheduled this month. Peruse these pages further for the times of these activities. But please remember..... this is the place- Our Shul.

By seeking out the synagogue in the dead of winter we discover lots of life - warming activity therein. This helps kindle the fires of community that in turn melt the frost that obscures our vision of a better world.

You see, the key to solving much of the world's problems is not outside us, but inside us. Specifically at this season our synagogue, FJC beckons us. Come on down and come on in to your shul. We'll keep the light-and heat-on!

*Rabbi Ira Samuel Grussgott*



**All Tuesdays at 8:00 A.M.**

"Tuesdays with 'Mori' " ( 'my teacher' )

Join the Rabbi with fellow congregants as they go through the Jewish Calendar with all its customs, ceremonies, rules & regulations - not to mention fun-facts & sweet celebrations -every Tuesday following Morning Services. (Coffee & cake to keep you awake.....)

**COME JOIN US!!**



**FREEHOLD JEWISH CENTER  
CONGREGATION AGUDATH ACHIM**

Please join us for services on

**Friday Night, February 3, 2017**

**7:15 PM**

The Cantor will be speaking on

*Living the good life -  
A perspective of growing up  
as a South African Jew*



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**at 732-462-0254**

**or by email at [office@freeholdjc.org](mailto:office@freeholdjc.org).**

**if you are planning to attend.**

CANTOR'S CORNER – Aron Heller



Shalom Chaveirim

Sitting around the Shabbat table a couple of weeks ago, with family and friends, with the beautiful ambiance of a set table on a white tablecloth, it didn't take too long for the obvious to happen. You guessed it, someone spilled the wine, a huge spill at that. That embarrassing moment as it usually is for the "spiller" somehow had to be minimized. Our tradition teaches us the need to avoid embarrassing anyone or allowing anyone to feel embarrassed. A story is told of how one of our Sages, whose guest has done the "spill deed" took the unusual action of grabbing the legs of the table on his end, shaking them, spilling more wine from his cup, and then complaining that there must be something wrong with the table that needed fixing. On this occasion I remarked that we must be very close to Passover, as these occurrences, not usually, but always happen at the Seder table. The year is racing by and we are fast approaching the milestone Festivals, and before you know it, we will have the High Holidays in our sights.

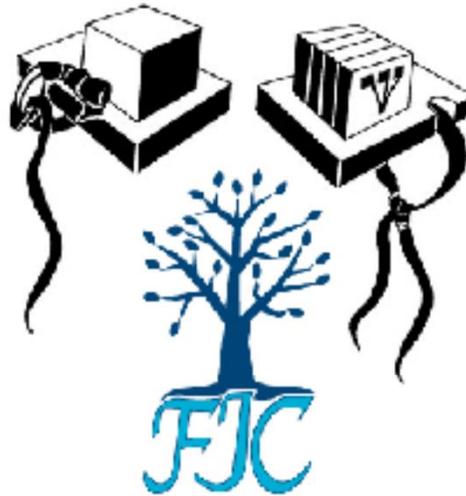
It is with this daunting reality that maybe we can stop for a moment and do a "fact check." A week ago, a member of ours happened to join us for Shabbat morning services. Always delighted as we are to see a new face, I went to greet him, and maybe presumptuously asked him whether he had a Yahrzeit that had prompted his attendance. To my surprise he responded – "no, no special occasion, just dealing with a little guilt – I just felt the need to come to Services". I think in response, we can see this as indeed a special occasion. I think it's just a matter of our inner self-talking to us a little louder.

There is no doubt that we are all well intended, however we are all aware that things get in the way. A book that is given to Bnei Mitzvah families is entitled "Putting G-d on the Guest List." So we can imagine the scenario of them having the following thoughts. "I really cannot afford one more guest, or where would I seat this Guest with others that know him, or possibly, I am not all that friendly with Him anyway" – very complicated.

So where am I going on all this? We all share the same relationship with G-d. He is indeed waiting to be invited, to share all our experiences. Our pleasure when you join us for a Shabbat service, for whatever reason, can be likened to a "Hadur Mitzvah" – enhancing a mitzvah. Our Shabbat experience is elevated. We become your Guest in G-d's Sanctuary. There can be no mistaking that we are all in this together. As we chant at the conclusion of each of the Books of the Torah – Chazak, Chazak V'nitchazek. We need to be strong and also strengthen each other.

Best Wishes

*Cantor Aron Heller*



CONGREGATION AGUDATH ACHIM  
FREEHOLD JEWISH CENTER



**Come join us and  
Jews around  
the world**

**Kick off with a  
Sunday Breakfast.**



**Bring the kids. Learn and practice  
the mitzvah of Tefillin. No experience  
necessary. If you have, bring your Tefillin.**

**Sunday, February 5, 2017 at 9 AM**

**If you plan to attend, please contact the Synagogue  
office at 732-462-0254 or by email at  
[office@freeholdjc.org](mailto:office@freeholdjc.org).**

Here is a reference on how to put on Tefillin

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3UFCu8BRaQU>



# *VOLUNTEER*

To the 2017 Challenge for Congregants, First, hope you are still off to a Happy and Healthy New Year. May this be a year of health and peace for all of us! Freehold Jewish Center is looking forward to a banner year. We have new board members along with the older members, myself included. There is a great blend of hardworking men and women dedicated to doing the volunteer work needed to make our synagogue shine.

Our clergy has an amazing start with Rabbi Ira being here more than 6 months and getting acclimated to our needs and desires. He is getting to know us more and more and we will get to know you more and more in the months ahead. Cantor Heller continues to lead us with his melodious Shabbat tunes every Friday night and Saturday morning as well as on all the holidays.

Our Hebrew school while small in number has an amazing group of young kids to go along with some awesome families that understand that in order for our shul and school to survive, they are helping and volunteering wherever needed.

Our executive director, Marvin, is always there to help solve our problems and plan with the utilization of our grand ballroom.

Our social committee has many social events planned some assisted by the adult education committee including movies, casino night, Seders for Tu B'Shevat and Passover, guest speakers and so much more.

**Now the challenge--WE NEED MORE HELP--VOLUNTEERS**

are needed to thrive. We need you getting more involved in the activities we have to offer. Meet friends and socialize.

The most vital area we need help is with Bingo. For those who do not know, Bingo is a major source of revenue for Freehold Jewish Center, which is run solely by volunteers. We have bingo almost every Tuesday and Wednesday night, which runs from approximately 7:00pm to 10:00. The work is easy. Positions needed are sellers of the cards, floorwalkers to verify winners, kitchen help and callers. Our present volunteers will train you in any area needed--no experience is necessary. GIVE US ONE NIGHT A MONTH or even part of a night TO HELP THIS IMPORTANT FUNCTION.

Now there are other areas that we need your help, our website is brand new but any of your computer/social media pros certainly can make it better than it is.

Come to our open board meetings held monthly, typically the first Monday of each month, to listen and offer your opinions.

Contact me any time by e-mail or phone to let me know ideas that you have to help us become even bigger and better than we already are.

Therefore, this is my first challenge of 2017. I am confident that if all of you just spend a little time to help, there is nothing we cannot accomplish.

With warm regards  
Jesse Glick  
President



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## Come and meet Rabbi Grussgott during his office hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 11:30am - 3:00pm

Friday - 9:00am - 11:00am

Also available by scheduled appointment.

As always come to services where the Rabbi, Cantor and board members are delighted to speak with you. Looking forward to seeing you on any Friday night, Saturday morning as well at Sunday through Friday morning minyans. We all welcome engaging with you.

If there is anyone that you would like to speak with call the office and leave a message and that person will promptly get back to you.



# FEBRUARY 2017, Shevat – Adar 5777

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Shabbat
			<b>1</b> 5 Shevat	<b>2</b> 6 Shevat	<b>3</b> 7 Shevat Welcoming Shabbat Service 7:15PM CANTOR – Living the good life – a perspective on growing up as a South African Jew	<b>4</b> 8 Shevat  Bo Services 9AM Torah 10:15AM
<b>5</b> 9 Shevat <b>9:00 A.M.</b> World Wide Wrap	<b>6</b> 10 Shevat <b>Yud Shevat</b>	<b>7</b> 11 Shevat	<b>8</b> 12 Shevat	<b>9</b> 13 Shevat	<b>10</b> 14 Shevat Welcoming Shabbat Service 7:15PM <b>Tu B'Shevat Seder 7:15PM</b>	<b>11</b> 15 Shevat  Beshalach Services 9AM Torah 10:15AM <b>New Year for Trees</b>
<b>12</b> 16 Shevat	<b>13</b> 17 Shevat Board of Trustees Meeting 8:00PM. All congregants are welcomed to attend.	<b>14</b> 18 Shevat <b>8:00 A.M.</b> Tuesdays with 'Mori' Rabbi Study and Conversation	<b>15</b> 19 Shevat	<b>16</b> 20 Shevat Ritual Committee meeting at 7:00PM	<b>17</b> 21 Shevat Welcoming Shabbat Service 7:15PM	<b>18</b> 22 Shevat  Yitro Services 9AM Torah 10:15AM
<b>19</b> 23 Shevat	<b>20</b> 24 Shevat	<b>21</b> 25 Shevat <b>8:00 A.M.</b> Tuesdays with 'Mori' Rabbi Study and Conversation	<b>22</b> 26 Shevat	<b>23</b> 27 Shevat	<b>24</b> 28 Shevat Welcoming Shabbat Service 7:15PM	<b>25</b> 29 Shevat  Shekalim Services 9AM Torah 10:15AM
<b>26</b> 30 Shevat Rosh Chodesh 10:30AM Adult Education - Winter Series - Please Cry for Me, Argentina discussion with Suri Grussgott	<b>27</b> 1 Adar Rosh Chodesh	<b>28</b> 2 Adar <b>8:00 A.M.</b> Tuesdays with 'Mori' Rabbi Study and Conversation				

# MARCH 2017, Adar – Nissan 5777

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Shabbat
			<b>1</b> 3 Adar	<b>2</b> 4 Adar	<b>3</b> 5 Adar Welcoming Shabbat Service 7:15PM	<b>4</b> 6 Adar  Terumah Services 9AM Torah 10:15AM
<b>5</b> 7 Adar	<b>6</b> 8 Adar Board of Trustees Meeting 8:00PM. All congregants are welcomed to attend.	<b>7</b> 9 Adar <b>8:00 A.M.</b> Tuesdays with 'Mori' Rabbi Study and Conversation	<b>8</b> 10 Adar	<b>9</b> 11 Adar <b>Fast of Esther</b>	<b>10</b> 12 Adar Welcoming Shabbat Service 7:15PM	<b>11</b> 13 Adar  Tetzaveh Services 9AM Torah 10:15AM <b>Zachor Megillah Reading Time TBA</b>
<b>12</b> 14 Adar <b>Purim</b>	<b>13</b> 15 Adar <b>Shushan Purim</b>	<b>14</b> 16 Adar <b>8:00 A.M.</b> Tuesdays with 'Mori' Rabbi Study and Conversation	<b>15</b> 17 Adar	<b>16</b> 18 Adar	<b>17</b> 19 Adar Welcoming Shabbat Service 7:15PM	<b>18</b> 20 Adar  Ki Tisa Services 9AM Torah 10:15AM <b>Parah</b>
<b>19</b> 21 Adar 10:30AM Adult Education - Winter Series - movie "What our Fathers Did"	<b>20</b> 22 Adar	<b>21</b> 23 Adar <b>8:00 A.M.</b> Tuesdays with 'Mori' Rabbi Study and Conversation	<b>22</b> 24 Adar	<b>23</b> 25 Adar	<b>24</b> 26 Adar Welcoming Shabbat Service 7:15PM	<b>25</b> 27 Adar  Vayak'hel-Pekudei Services 9AM Torah 10:15AM <b>Hachodesh</b>
<b>26</b> 28 Adar	<b>27</b> 29 Adar	<b>28</b> 1 Nissan <b>8:00 A.M.</b> Tuesdays with 'Mori' Rabbi Study and Conversation  Rosh Chodesh	<b>29</b> 2 Nissan	<b>30</b> 3 Nissan	<b>31</b> 4 Nissan Welcoming Shabbat Service 7:15PM	

## DIRECTOR'S NOTE – Marvin Krakower

Our Synagogue is an important part of our life and as such, we deserve a certain amount of attention. To help ensure that we receive a favorable point of view from all of our members, I would like to ask each of you to attend our events, including weekly Shabbat services, and to inform all of your friends about the events we have and the family atmosphere we create. Bring them with you.

Naturally, the day-to-day operation in our Synagogue, no matter how excellent, does not constitute you spreading the news about us. We are requesting that you spread the word about our extraordinary events. It might be the Tu B'shevat Seder, World Wide Wrap, movies, guest speakers or casino night, which are great programs, but we need our members to spread the word. See the calendars in this newsletter and the flyers highlighting the events that you can attend and talk about.

Rabbi Greene began our tradition of having a Tu B'shevat Seder more than 15 years ago. Tu B'shevat, literally "New Year of the Trees" celebrates the changing of the seasons. Some have referred to Tu B'shevat as the "Jewish Arbor Day." We celebrate with a Seder where we eat carob, nuts and fruits such as grapes, figs, pomegranates, olives and dates. We change the color of the wine we drink to show the changing color of the new season. Our Tu B'shevat Seder is a perfect example of one of our Shul's annual events, which we would love for you, our friends, to share with your friends.

When you talk to your friends about us please tell them we are a great place for your second home. We are looking forward to Rabbi Grussgott continuing the tradition.

We are all proud of our Synagogue. We know we are doing a good job and that exciting things happen here. It is up to all of us to let our friends know this too.

*Marvin Krakower*, Executive Director



Family  
Faith  
Friends



# TU B'SHVAT

Please join us for a  
Tu B'Shvat Seder

Friday night, February 10, 2017

Services will begin at 7:15 PM  
followed by the Seder  
at 8:00 PM

RSVP no later than February 7th  
to the Synagogue office at  
732-462-0254 or by  
email at [office@freeholdjc.org](mailto:office@freeholdjc.org).



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CONGREGATION AGUDATH ACHIM

## SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

**Greetings and Happy New Year from The Social Action Committee**

For those of you who were unable to attend, you missed a wonderful event on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> when we officially installed Rabbi Ira Grussgott as Rabbi of Congregation Agudath Achim. The program was very well received and the food delicious, all due to the very diligent efforts of a small band of congregants from the Social Action Committee (SAC). A yasher koach to Shari Back, Felicia Malkin, Lennie Brownstein, Jeff Wolf who did an outstanding job with the program for the event, Steve Ravner for his beautiful photographs, Cantor Aron Heller for his lyrical contributions and Marvin Krakower, don't know how we would have done it without you. Thank you so very much to each one of you.

Less than a week later, we celebrated Chanukah with our shul family at Shabbat Services followed by a yummy dinner and night of song. Thank you again to the committee for your assistance in making this evening a success and our clergy for their contributions as well.

As the winter freeze settles in, we are planning more Shabbat Dinners, a Tu B'shevat Seder on Friday February 10<sup>th</sup>, Purim Event and Casino Night on April 29<sup>th</sup>. It's been a few years since our last Casino Night and everyone had a fantastic night gaming, socializing, eating and drinking. Make sure to mark your calendar as you don't want to miss these terrific FUNtastic times right here at Freehold Jewish Center. Watch your email for further details on these fun filled events.

The SAC is always looking for new faces and viewpoints, so that we encourage all congregants to come forward and help us plan our next event. We'd love to have you!

Looking forward to seeing you soon,

**Marcy Cortez & Jeff Wolf, co-chairpersons  
FJC Social Action Committee**

### MPG's Are You Getting Enough

#### Minyan Participation Group

We are looking for members to join the "Minyan Participation Group" (MPG). These are men that we can call on to create a Minyan for congregants in need. When would a Minyan be needed? There are quite a few:

- 1) Shiva
- 2) Yahrzeit
- 3) Nichum Aveilim
- 4) Shevah Brachot
- 5) Bar/Bat Mitzvah
- 6) Wedding Ceremony
- 7) Regular Services

Originally, the greater need came from fulfilling congregants' requests for Shiva and Yahrzeit Minyan. As we pondered, the list grew and these are only some of the times a Minyan is needed. You can break down the regular service into many smaller sections. It is not uncommon to skip Kiddush during a service and later once a Minyan is present to commence Kiddush. For those requesting a Minyan we would like to add you to the MPG list as we assist you in gaining MPG's we need your assistance to assist others in gaining MPG's. We can increase everyone's distance.

We cannot underscore the importance of having a Minyan when needed and what this means to your fellow congregants when they are in need. We are more than congregants ... we a Jewish Community, which is fundamental to being Jewish. When you ask for Minyan assistance we are there and we need you to be there for others. Help us, Help them, Help you by Helping us.

**Call the office, add your name to the list and give your support.**



Mazel Tov to the Lederman Family. Their beautiful granddaughter, Arya Zarina, was named on Rosh HaShanah and they sponsored the Kiddush on January 20<sup>th</sup>.

Cantor Heller led a fabulous service for the 31 attendees. Rabbi Grussgott gave permission to Arya and her older sister to have a snack and take a nap in the sanctuary.

Their uncle, Eric Lederman, lead a spirited and strong Mussaf service.

The Kiddush was delicious. All enjoyed and had fun. Hope you join us soon at future Simchas and we look forward to celebrating your Simcha and special occasions with you.

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## ***FJC Social Action Committee Calendar***

***is pleased to announce some of the upcoming events scheduled for our shul family as well as the community at large and we hope that you will mark your calendars and plan on joining us. Looking forward to seeing you soon.***

Friday, February 10	Tu B'Shevat Seder following Shabbat services
Tuesday, April 11	Community Seder with your FJC Family-details to be announced
Sunday, Spring 2017	FJC Flea Market. Date to be announced
Saturday, April 22	Come win some wonderful prizes @ Casino Night

***This is merely a taste of some of the many events (movies, Shabbat Dinners, Challah Baking classes, speakers and more) the Committees at Freehold Jewish Center are planning for everyone in the coming year. Mark your calendar and plan on joining us as we continue to celebrate our wonderful shul.***

## BINGO COMMITTEE

We had an exciting centenarian celebration at BINGO. **Mrs. Carter reached One Hundred years young** and on Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> we partied by having flowers, balloons, and a cake on both nights. We have to find out her secret. Mrs. Carter has been playing Bingo with us for some time and it was only fitting that we showed our appreciation towards her milestone moment. BINGO has a friendly family atmosphere.

For Mrs. Carter we have a Bingo Poem:

Fun to play, fun to volunteer for  
Everyone wins !!  
Have a great time playing and a chance to win some dough,  
Volunteer and help the synagogue grow.  
You can even ease that dues bill that's owed

All we need is a commitment from you to help out on a day  
Tuesday or Wednesday is for the Bingo we play  
Either one you can help on is the way  
From 6 to 10 pm once a month  
Keeps costs down and avoids a crunch

Give the Bingo committee a call  
Help us out winter, spring, summer and fall

Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Bingo Committee Members: Mark Beckenstein, Sonya Bell, Michael Goldberg and Miriam Kapelushnik  
You can even call the synagogue direct and speak with Marvin or Tracey

## REGULAR SERVICES

**Daily** Monday and Thursday at 7:15AM, Torah Service  
Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 7:25AM  
Sunday at 8:00AM

**Friday Evening** 7:15PM

**Shabbat Morning** 9:00AM, Torah Service around 10:15AM

See weekly emails for any changes.

## UPCOMING TEMPLE EVENTS – Mark Your Calendar

Sunday, February 5 WORLD WIDE WRAP - Join us at 9:00AM

Friday, February 10 Tu B'Shevat Seder - Join the Seder at 8:00PM follows  
services starting at 7:15PM

Sunday, February 26 10:30AM Adult Education - Winter Series - Please Cry for  
Me, Argentina discussion with Suri Grussgott

Saturday, March 11 Megillah Reading in the evening

Sunday, March 19 10:30AM Adult Education - Winter Series - movie "What our  
Fathers Did"

Tuesday, April 11 Passover Community Seder - Details to Follow

Monday, April 24 Yom Hashoah

Monday, May 1 Yom Hazikaron

Tuesday, May 2 Yom Ha'Atzmaut

Sunday, May 14 Lag B'Omer

Wednesday, May 24 Yom Yerushalayim

**Also see Page 13 for the special events from the Social Action Committee.**

**Also see Page 19 for February / March Hebrew School Calendar.**

**If you have a business call the office to advertise.**

## SISTERHOOD COMMITTEE

### SISTERHOOD HAPPENINGS

We hope everyone's secular New Year was enjoyable. Sisterhood wishes you and your family much health and happiness in 2017. We would like to thank all of you that donated food for those in need. The food was brought to the Jewish Family Services Food Pantry and they were very appreciative.

Our Sisterhood luncheon in December was well attended. The Chinese buffet was delicious as always and it is always wonderful to catch up on each other's lives.

On Friday evening, February 3rd the Cantor will be conducting the service in the Rabbi's absence. Sisterhood has asked him to talk about his life in South Africa entitled "*Living the good life - A perspective of growing up as a South African Jew.*" Sisterhood will be sponsoring the Kiddush following the service. We hope many of you can attend this interesting and informative evening.

Lynette Heller, our Cantor's lovely wife, has been extremely gracious and has invited all Sisterhood members to her house for coffee and cake on February 5th. We are all looking forward to this get together.

Sisterhood had our Tehillim Club on January 15<sup>th</sup> and the next one will be scheduled for March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Sisterhood is planning a paint and sip party for the end of March. All synagogue members are invited. Details will follow and we are sure this will be a lot of fun.

If you would like to join Sisterhood, please bring a check for \$18 to the office or our next event. We would love to have you as a member. Hope to see you all soon.

Linda Perchuk, Sandy Altman and Sue Rosin, Co-Chairpersons  
Sisterhood Committee

The Freehold Jewish Center Adult Education Committee

presents

## Suri Grussgott



*Please  
Cry  
for Me,  
Argentina*



**Sunday, February 26, 2017 10:30 AM**

**Suri Grussgott**, Associate Director of North America's World Jewish Congress will deliver an eyewitness report of her recent trip to Buenos Aires. She will share the Congress' meetings with the Government and her review of the ongoing investigation into the bombing of the Israeli Embassy and its repercussions affecting the Jewish people in the country .

**\$5.00 Donation for Coffee, Bagels and Shmears.**

Please contact the Synagogue at 732-462-0254 or at [office@freeholdjc.org](mailto:office@freeholdjc.org), so we know how many people to expect.

Freehold Jewish Center, 59 Broad Street, Freehold, NJ 07728

## TIDBITS

We have a congregant who submitted a few **JOKES** for this month's "TIDBITS". Do you have some ideas or items of interest you want to share with fellow congregants then submit it to [office@freeholdjc.org](mailto:office@freeholdjc.org) and include "TIDBITS" as the first word in the subject line.

### **EVENING PRAYERS**

When young David was asked by his father to say the evening prayer, he realized he didn't have his head covered, so he asked his little brother, Henry, to rest a hand on his head until prayers were over.

Henry grew impatient after a few minutes and removed his hand.

The father said, "This is important ... put your hand back on his head!" to which Henry exclaimed, "What, am I- my brother's kippah?"

### **PHILANTHROPY**

A visitor to Israel attended a recital and concert at the Moscovitz Auditorium.

He was quite impressed with the architecture and the acoustics. He inquired of the tour guide, "Is this magnificent auditorium named after Chaim Moscovitz, the famous Talmudic scholar?"

"No," replied the guide. "It is named after Sam Moscovitz, the writer."

"Never heard of him," said the visitor. "What did he write?"

"A check," replied the guide.

### **ROWING TEAM**

Yeshiva University decided to field a rowing team. Unfortunately, they lose race after race. Even though they practice and practice for hours every day, they never manage to come in any better than dead last.

Finally, the team decides to send Morris Fishbein, its captain, to spy on Harvard, the perennial championship team. So Morris schlepps off to Cambridge, Mass., and hides in the bushes next to the Charles River, where he carefully watches the Harvard team at its daily practice.

After a week, Morris returns to Yeshiva.

"Well, I figured out their secret," he announces.

"What? Tell us! Tell us!" his teammates shout.

"We should have only one guy yelling. The other eight should row."

**SOURCED: from the Internet**

# Hebrew School Calendar

**Mondays** are regular Hebrew School days. **Thursdays** are Enrichment days.

However, if there is no school on a Monday, then Thursday becomes the regular day of Hebrew School. We also invite all Hebrew School children and their families to join us for services Friday nights at 7:15 PM and Saturday Mornings at 9:00 AM.

February 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Enrichment	3 Services 7:15 PM	4 Services 9 AM
5 World Wide Wrap 9:00 AM	6 Hebrew School	7	8	9 Enrichment	10 Tu B'shevat Seder 7:15 PM	11 Services 9 AM
12	13 Hebrew School	14	15	16 Enrichment	17 Services 7:15 PM	18 Services 9 AM
19	20 President's Day No Hebrew School	21	22	23 Hebrew School	24 Services 7:15 PM	25 Services 9 AM
26	27 Hebrew School	28	Notes:			

March 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Enrichment	3 Services 7:15 PM	4 Services 9 AM
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12 Purim	13 Hebrew School	14	15	16 Enrichment	17 Services 7:15 PM	18 Services 9 AM
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