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Jewish Community News

News of the Jewish VA Peninsula Community

December 2023/5784

HANUKKAH

**17th
Annual
Celebration
at City Center**
Thursday, Dec. 7th
6pm, Market Stage
Newport News

**7th
Annual
Celebration
at New Town**
Thursday, Dec. 14th
6pm, Main St. Gazebo
Williamsburg

**LATKES. DONUTS. MUSIC. RAFFLE. PHOTOBOOTH
& COMMUNITY MENORAH LIGHTING!**

 Free and Open to the Public



The UJCVP will be closed
Monday, Dec. 25th - Monday, Jan. 1st

The Sarfan Center will be closed
Monday Dec. 25th - Tues. Jan. 2nd

Wishing everyone a happy and safe 2024 and a fun winter break!

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Senior Meals / Grand Club Fund

In honor of Ernestine Adelman's birthday
Pamela Adelman

UJC Preschool Fund

In honor Jody & Ed Sarfan on Matt Sarfan's wedding
Sara Traster & Dave Harris

Mazel tov to Jill & Drew Weisenberger on the arrival of
baby Eloise
Carmela Malkin Kuhn

Well wishes to Barbara Rosenbaum
Rhonda Diamond

In memory of Rabbi Golner
In memory of Deborah Kashy
Rhonda Diamond

Eight Nights of Light



Hanukkah Candle Lighting Schedule

Join in each night of Hanukkah as different community groups light the giant menorah in City Center, NN.

- Thursday, December 7th: UJCVP
- Friday, December 8th: UJC 20/30 Young Adult Group
- Saturday, December 9th: Rodef Sholom Temple
- Sunday, December 10th: Congregation Emet V'Or
- Monday, December 11th: Adath Jeshurun Synagogue
- Tuesday, December 12th: Temple Beth El
- Wednesday, December 13th: Temple Sinai
- Thursday, December 14th: BBYO

Thursday, December 14th
UJCVP - Hanukkah at New Town, Williamsburg

HANUKKAH CRAFT NIGHT

Monday, December 4th - 6:30pm
with art instructor Julia Downer

Learn the technique of Shibori:
Japanese art to make reusable gift bags.

Passport Members - Free
Community Members - \$12
SPACE IS LIMITED - RSVP @ UJCV.P.ORG



Executive Director's Message - Eric Maurer



Reflections from the March for Israel

Last month, I stood shoulder-to-shoulder with 300,000 fellow Jews, allies, and supporters at the March for Israel in Washington, D.C., including many from our Virginia Peninsula community.



We came together in record numbers – united, proud, and strong – to demand the freedom of all hostages, to end antisemitism, and to support the one and only Jewish state in this dark hour.

Throughout the day I couldn't help, but marvel at the people surrounding us - large groups of children from Jewish day schools wandered around in matching shirts, college students from across the country visiting with friends, and families representing multiple generations waving homemade signs. Jews and non-Jews. Democrats and Republicans. Religious and Secular. The diversity of the crowds was momentous.

The most powerful moment of the day for me was when the Maccabeats led the crowd in the singing of *Acheinu*, a prayer recited during times of travail and suffering.

The text of the prayer reads:

"Acheinu - Our family, the whole house of Israel, who are in distress, or in captivity — who stand either in the sea or on dry land — may the Omnipresent have mercy on them and take them out from narrowness to expanse, and from darkness to light, and from oppression to redemption, now, swiftly, and soon!"

300,000 people wrapped their arms around one another, swayed back and forth, and sang at the top of their lungs. The word "sing" doesn't even justify the sound that emerged at that moment. Rather, it was a combination of shouting, crying and yearning that came together in the most beautiful way. There was a moment when the speakers near where we were standing went out, and instead of hearing the stage microphones, all that could be heard was the intertwined voices praying together as one. At that moment, it felt like our prayers were piercing the gates of heaven.

We are one family, the prayer reminds us. We feel one another's pain. We long for one another's deliverance.

This message fit with the powerful, poignant words of Alana Zeitchik, whose family members are being held hostage in Gaza. At the March for Israel, she shared:

"For too many it feels like to care about one family, to love one child is to diminish the suffering of another. But the simple human truth is that you don't have to choose. You can abhor the suffering of Palestinian families and the suffering of Israeli families like mine. You can call for peace and the immediate return of the innocent men, women, and children who are violently taken from us. It doesn't



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need to be political to share in my grief or in the anguish that the Israeli people are feeling.”

The March for Israel was not just a demonstration of solidarity; it was a powerful reminder of the strength that comes from our togetherness.

We must continue to harness that same power of community – the strength which comes only from collaboration and solidarity – to move forward. I’ve been humbled by your generosity, compassion, and vision to date. Our small, but mighty Jewish community has raised over \$710,000 from 300+ families for the crisis relief efforts.

Your support remains invaluable for those in Israel and our local community – and, of course, we still have much to do. We must continue to show up and speak out against antisemitism, urge our congressional representatives to maintain their support for Israel,

and demand the release of the hostages.



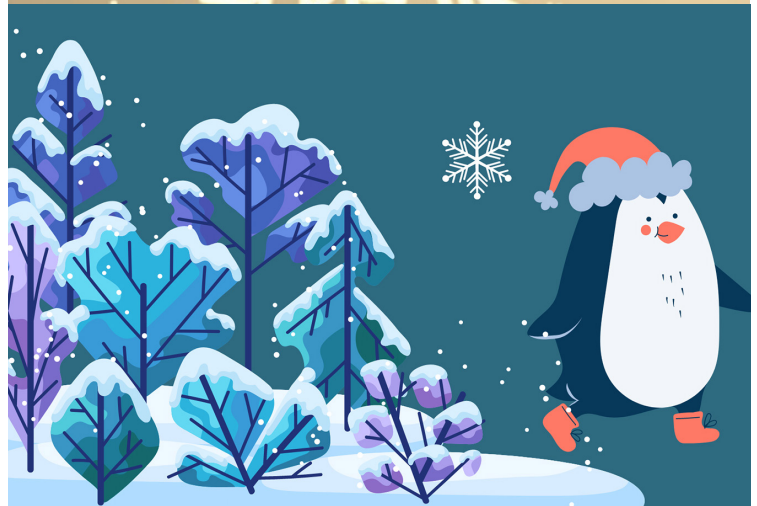
UJC Holiday Vendor Fair



Sunday
December 10, 2023
11am to 4pm

United Jewish Community Center
401 City Center Blvd, Newport News

40+ Vendors
Raffle Prizes



Jewish Family Services - Libby Batten



Jewish Family Services and the UJCVP Hanukkah Mitzvah Menorah was such a success due to the community's outpouring of giving. Because of your generosity, we were able to assist local Peninsula Jewish families in financial need with gifts and gift cards for their children. Jewish Family Services received donations from individuals, families, groups, congregations, and the preschool. Boxes were filled with new clothing, winter coats, boots, shoes, books, games, toys, bikes, craft items and art supplies, school supplies, and Judaic decorations. Traditionally, preteens and teens are a challenging group for gift giving, but our community came through with much appreciated gift cards. The parents of these families were very gracious and appreciative of everything that was given to them for their children.

JFS would also like to give a big thank you to D. Jay Freedman for his donations each year of his creative wooden items and toys he builds for the children.

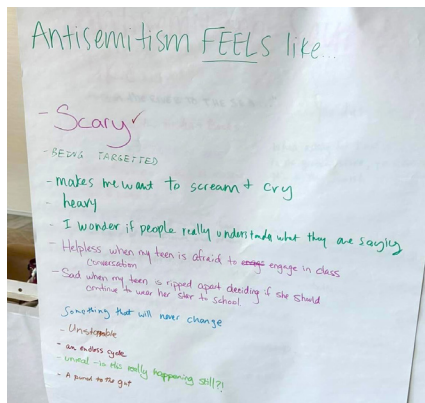
This year, the UJCVP's Hanukkah gift initiative was bolstered by a \$4,000 grant from the Peninsula Community Foundation of Virginia to ensure that families in need can create magical holiday memories they will treasure forever.

Thank you again for the overwhelming support of the Mitzvah Menorah Hanukkah Gift Program. I hope everyone has a wonderful holiday!



Teens and Parents Learn to Take A Stand Against Antisemitism

Taking a stand requires a commitment to take action against the anti-Semitic language and behaviors that happen at your schools or in your community. It doesn't necessarily mean you should jump in and directly confront every offensive remark, though that may be the most appropriate and effective response in some situations. The UJCVP hosted a workshop, in partnership with the ADL, for teens and their parents to learn strategies to determine the best and most appropriate action to take when confronted with antisemitism.



Campaign Corner - Jessi Malkin



I am sitting to write this message a mere 13 hours after arriving home from the March for Israel in Washington. I am in awe of our national and global Jewish community. I will never forget the feeling of singing *Hatikvah* with close to 300,000 members of our extended mishpacha (family); everyone singing with all the passion, love and support that one could muster. The videos I took will serve as a reminder of the tears that fell from my eyes and the feeling of complete and utter support and comradery. I cannot even begin to convey the emotions and pride that I felt. Thinking about it today still brings tears to my eyes. I am so grateful for the Jewish

Federations of North America (JFNA) and the partner organizations for organizing such an important event and I am so proud to be among the members of the UJCVP community who cleared their schedules in order to attend either in person or virtually.


The UJCVP benefits tremendously from Jewish Federations of North America. We are so fortunate to have this connection that keeps us connected to the larger Jewish community. This relationship allows us to stay up to date on all things Jewish in the USA and overseas, enabling us to help beyond our local means. Our partnership with JFNA and its partnerships with other similar minded non-profits means your donations are channeled directly to the people who need support. This has been the case for not just the war in Israel and in Ukraine, but also when hurricanes or earthquakes wreak havoc anywhere in the world. Our connections expand our borders to encompass our global family. Just like our local Pearl Society can pool its resources to achieve a greater good, we have the same effect as part of JFNA.

I want to thank you all for the tremendous outpouring of gifts you have made to our Israel relief efforts. It was so humbling to see the donations pouring in allowing us to collect over \$710,000 in just over a month. One hundred percent of this fund goes to Israel to meet immediate and urgent needs, such as medical care, emergency services, evacuation, supporting victims of terror and trauma relief.

Our annual campaign allows us to respond quickly and effectively. As 2023 comes to an end, I ask you to remember the UJC Annual Campaign in your philanthropic gifts. Your support directly impacts our ability to respond in times of crisis.



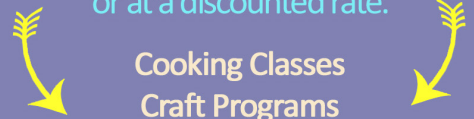
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 <h2>GRAND CLUB</h2>	<h3>Lunch & Bingo on Thursdays</h3> <p>Lunch for ages 60+ - \$2.50 Lunch for Passport Members - FREE! <i>Additional charge for bingo cards</i></p> <p>Bingo begins at 11am, lunch is served at 12:00pm</p> <p>Email Carmela: carmela@ujcvp.org for more info or to RSVP</p>
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2024 Program Passport Membership

A UJC Program Passport gives you access to all of our amenities and participation in many of our programs and classes at no cost or at a discounted rate.



- Cooking Classes
- Craft Programs
- Dinner & Discuss Events
- Family Programs
- Fitness Classes
- Grand Club & Senior Meals
- Jewish Holiday Celebrations
- Jewish Life & Learning Classes
- Young Adult Events
- Youth Programming

Visit ujcvp.org for pricing and more information!

**There are 744 hours in December.
Can you give us one?**



Donate blood



Red Cross Blood Drive

in the UJC Lobby
Friday, December 1st
10am-12pm

National Blood Shortage!

Blood donors of all blood types are urgently needed.
Visit ujcvp.org to schedule an appointment

Questions? Email Sara Traster
straster@ujcvp.org



Kibbitz & Create


Thursday, December 21st
10am-12pm

Join our group at the J for a morning of snacks and crafts.

All fiber arts crafts welcome!

RSVP: ujcvp.org

Questions? Email jmalkin@ujcvp.org



PJ Our Way
Annual Donut War
Sat. 12/2, 7-9pm
Register: ujcvp.org

Join your 4th-7th grade friends for an evening of friendly, messy, donut-decorating competition!

Little Movers & Shakers
Parent / Child Play
Group
For ages 0-2

Thursday, December 11th
11am-12pm
FREE EVENT

Registration Required
Visit ujcvp.org to sign up
Questions?
Email carmela@ujcvp.org





Don't forget to follow us on Instagram @ujcvp_nn and LIKE our Facebook page!

BOOT CAMP FITNESS
THOSE WHO SWEAT TOGETHER...STAY TOGETHER

Instructor: Kelli Paul

Evening classes at the J!
Tues / Thurs evenings
5:30-6:30pm

Bootcamp Fitness, LLC provides strength, cardio, core, and flexibility training (modifications are always provided). Choreography shifts between cardio intervals, fun cardio "air" boxing with hand pads, bootcamp stations, strength training with dumbbells, and adventurous fitness challenges! Participants need to bring water and a mat. Bootcamp Fitness provides all other equipment.




Passport Members - \$5 per class
Community Members - \$10 per class
Visit ujcvp.org to sign up!
this is not a UJC program

The Best Hanukkah Menorahs on the Internet

We all need a little more light this holiday season.

By Lior Zaltzman | Kveller

Every year, I tell myself I have enough menorahs. And every year, Hanukkah rolls around and I end up getting at least two or three new ones (and also making at least one DIY one). I can't help it. I love a good menorah.

Some would argue that we need more light this year than ever, and the logical conclusion of that statement would be that you need to get more menorahs, all the menorahs. With that in mind, here are some of my favorite menorahs on the internet:



Banorah from Kikkerland



Banana Menorah from Modern Tribe



Target Aluminum Bird Menorah



Engraved Iron Menorah from Modern Tribe



Ceramic Mushroom Menorah from Etsy



Baseball Menorah from Baseballidays on Modern Tribe



Kandinsky Menorah from Susan Alexandra



Elephant Menorah from Jonathan Adler



Martini Menorah from Susan Alexandra



T-Rex Menorah from Aviv Judaica on Modern Tribe & Dinosaur Menorah from Etsy



Octogonal Menorah from Macy's

Full article at: <https://www.kveller.com/the-best-hanukkah-menorahs-on-the-internet/>

<p>10 Weeks: Jan. 16, 23, 30 Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27 Mar. 5, 12, 19 6:30 - 7:30pm Passport Members FREE Community Members \$54 / person Register at ujcvp.org</p>	<p>א ב ג ד ה ו ז ח ט י כ ל מ נ ס ע פ צ ק ר ש ת</p>	<p>IF YOU CAN'T READ THIS, YOU MAY NEED CLASSES</p> <p>Introductory Adult Hebrew Reading Class with instructor, Carmela Malkin Kuhn</p>
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Education Corner - Carmela Malkin Kuhn



One of our weekly highlights at the Sarfan Center is when we get to experience the magic of Shabbat through the eyes of our school family. Each week a different family from each of our classrooms takes home a beautifully decorated Shabbat bag, complete with fresh challah, kiddush cup and grape juice, candles, blessings, and a Shabbat story. On Mondays, all of our Shabbat bags are returned along with photos and stories from the families' Shabbat experiences. In each photo, you can feel the joy they shared, and revel in the sight of togetherness. Each photo we receive gets added to our Shabbat Family Wall, which is located in our main preschool lobby.

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We urge you to stop in and take a look at the Sarfan Center Shabbat Wall to witness the magic within those photos.

For now, enjoy this sneak peek!



Pearl Society Challah Bake Sale

Pre-order now through December 18th.

Challah orders will be made FRESH and ready for pick up at the UJC on December 21st & 22nd.



To Order:

visit ujcvp.org --> News & Events drop down --> Pearl Bake Sale
or
find the pre-order link on our Facebook page



20/30 Young Adult Karaoke Night!

Saturday, December 16th | 8:00-10:00pm

Come out and have some with our fun UJC
young adult group!

Meet up at My Neighbor's Pub in Newport News

RSVP at ujcvp.org

Questions? Email Sara Traster: straster@ujcvp.org



20/30 Young Adult Friends-giving Shabbat





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12/2, 7-9pm

ujcvp.org

An evening out for K-3rd graders!



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HANUKKAH




YRSO
York River Symphony Orchestra

Holiday Happiness
Sunday, December 17, 2023 - 3:00pm at the UJC
with conductors: Eric Reiff & Clint Correll

<p><u>Advanced Tickets</u> Regular Admission: \$13 Student / Senior / Military: \$10 Passport Members: Free</p>	<p><u>Tickets at the Door</u> Regular Admission: \$15 Student / Senior / Military: \$12 Passport Members: Free</p>	<p>Please visit yrso.org for more information. Questions? Email Angela Morris: amorris@ujcvp.org</p>
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Camp Chaverim - *Naioki Wood*



Camp Chaverim: Serving Happiness 365 Days of the Year!

Camp Chaverim is not just a youth program we run in the summer. Year round, we find ways to stay connected to further strengthen the bonds that were created during those eight fun-filled summer camp weeks.



The moment our 2023 summer camp season came to a close, Camp Chaverim shifted gears and we began mailing letters and birthday cards to campers with late summer and fall birthdays.

November brought a much-needed, fall-themed camp reunion, and of course, in true Camp Chaverim fashion, we had to find a way to get messy! Fifty three smiling campers arrived eager to reconnect with friends they last saw in August. Campers voted for their next camp t-shirt design, played gaga, took to the basketball courts, and made their own cloud slime creations. Counselors from our past summer joined us in the fun!



We look forward to sharing our love of camp with our community all year long!



Virginia AG calls for ‘decisiveness and moral clarity’ at universities in response to antisemitism

By Gabby Deutch



Virginia’s attorney general sent a letter to college and university presidents in the Commonwealth, urging them to “do more to address antisemitism.”

“Countless Virginia students of Jewish backgrounds feel threatened and unsupported in today’s climate on our college campuses,” wrote Attorney General Jason Miyares, a Republican. “This is unacceptable.”

Calling for “decisiveness and moral clarity,” Miyares addressed how university administrators in Virginia can grapple with rising antisemitism while also taking free speech concerns into account. It offers a different path from the one taken by Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, who sought to ban campus chapters of Students for Justice in Palestine but was met with resistance from university presidents questioning the constitutionality of the move.

“I would urge you to discover your own First Amendment voices,” wrote Miyares. “We need leaders with moral clarity, not leaders who shirk the responsibility of calling out bigotry and antisemitism.”

Miyares referred to a political touchpoint that is likely to hit home for many Virginia educators: the deadly 2017 Unite the Right rally in Charlottesville. He noted

university administrators’ relative silence since the Hamas terror attack on Oct. 7, and in particular in the aftermath, as antisemitic incidents have become increasingly common on college campuses.

“In 2017, virtually every college president in Virginia rightly condemned the ‘Unite the Right’ rally in which bigots marched through campus shouting antisemitic statements. We weekly confront the equivalent of multiple ‘Unite the Right’ rallies across this nation, including in Virginia,” Miyares wrote. “Your deafening silence in 2023 following your unhesitating condemnation in 2017 has not gone unnoticed.”

The letter discussed how free speech protections might apply on campuses — and where those protections end, as many university administrators have said that academia’s commitment to free expression limits where they can get involved in policing post-Oct. 7 speech.

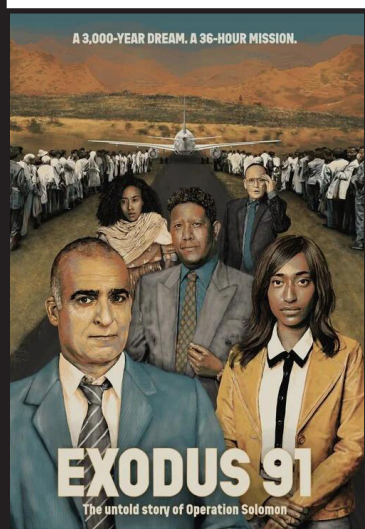
“The First Amendment does not protect speech that is directed to inciting or producing imminent lawless action, and which is likely to incite or produce such action,” wrote Miyares. He added that university leaders should review their policies to be sure they are protecting students “from unlawful incitement beyond the bounds of the First Amendment.”

Miyares also pointed out that “the right to freedom of speech does not shield individuals who commit crimes from prosecution.” He urged universities to hold students accountable for assaults or acts of vandalism, and he noted that Virginia law prohibits adults from concealing their identity with a face mask when in public, except in cases of medical necessity.

Lastly, he wrote that universities may treat demonstrations differently when they are initiated by outside individuals not affiliated with the university.

Temple Beth El's 23rd Annual Virginia Peninsula Jewish Film Festival

at the Williamsburg Regional Library Theater - 515 Scotland Street, Williamsburg VA



EXODUS 91
 Sunday, January 28, 2024 at 2:00pm
 2023, 1 hr 30 min, Drama

Israeli diplomat Asher Naim, a North African Jew, is sent to Ethiopia in 1991 to negotiate the escape of 15,000 Ethiopian Jews in a time of famine and civil war. Issues of politics, racism, cultural identity, immigration issues, and hardships that continue to the present, as well as Naim's crises of faith, are explored.



THE NARROW BRIDGE
 Sunday, March 13, 2023 at 2:00pm
 2022, 1 hr 16 min, Documentary

Director Esther Takac has worked as a trauma psychologist with bereaved Israeli and Palestinian families for nine years in a Jerusalem hospital. In *The Narrow Bridge*, she profiles four individuals from Israeli and Palestinian families who have lost a child or parent in the prolonged conflict. Despite considerable political and social resistance, and in the face of unspeakable loss, the four work to transform their grief into reconciliation, summoning untold courage to build bridges of friendship that might one day lead to peace.



VALIANT HEARTS
 Sunday, March 24, 2023 at 2:00pm
 2021, 1 hr 32 min, Drama

A true story of exceptional bravery and survival against all odds follows the odyssey of six Jewish children in August 1942 who are forced to take refuge where no one will ever think to look for them: amidst the Louvre Museum artworks hidden in the Château de Chambord.

*All films are free.
 Light desserts and beverages will be provided afterward.*

The Virginia Peninsula Jewish Film Festival Committee greatly appreciates the support and loyalty of our audiences
 Sponsored by Temple Beth El

Congregation Adath Jeshurun
401 City Center Blvd. , Newport News, VA 23606

Telephone # 757-930-0820 | Website: www.ajshul.com
Rabbi Gershon Litt, 757-559-1836



December 7th is the first candle of Hanukkah. That night, the UJCVP will be sponsoring the Annual Hanukkah candle lighting at City Center in Newport News. Come join your community on the 7th and celebrate with latkes and donuts. Adath Jeshurun will be lighting the fifth candle on December 11th. Chag Sameach and Am Yisrael Chai.

Opportunities exist to sponsor a Kiddush lunch when Rabbi Litt is here for Shabbos. We are asking for commitments through December of 2024.

The following date have already been selected:

- December 23rd (Bob and Meryl Kessler in honor of their 40th anniversary)
- January (Eric and Becca Maurer in memory of Becca's grandparents)
- March (Scott Wolf in memory of parents)
- April (The Franks and the Kesslers for the two Bob's special birthdays)
- May (Bob and Leslie Frank in honor and memory of their mothers and all mothers for Mother's Day)
- July (Rabbi and Sara Litt in honor of Dovid's birthday)
- August (Rabbi and Sara Litt in honor of their anniversary)

Shabbos Candle Lighting Times:

December 1 - 4:31pm
December 8 - 4:31pm
December 15 - 4:32pm
December 22 - 4:35pm
December 29 - 4:39pm

Rabbi Litt's Shabbos Schedule:
December 22nd

The remaining months are February, June, September, October, November and December. Actual dates will be available soon. For more information or to reserve a date call Meryl Kessler at (757)234-6136.



SAVE THE DATE:
Comedian Pamela Schuller from Netflix
at the UJC!

SATURDAY, FEB. 24TH
More info to follow...



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Rabbi Scott Gurdin
Cantorial Soloist Dr. Jonathan Rathsam
Musical Accompanist Dr. Ben Corbin

Shabbat Services

Erev Shabbat services are held Friday evenings at 7:00pm unless otherwise noted.

December 1 – Lay led Shabbat service with musical accompaniment

December 8 – Rabbi led Shabbat service

December 15 – Rabbi led Shabbat service with cantorial accompaniment

December 22 – Kabbalat Shabbat at 5:30

December 29 – Shabbat in the Home

All are welcome to visit! Our location:
101 Production Drive, Suite 101, Yorktown, VA 23693

Special Events & Other News

Please join us for the menorah lightings at City Center in Newport News. UJC's lighting will be on December 7th at 6:00, and CEVO's lighting will be on December 10th at the same time.

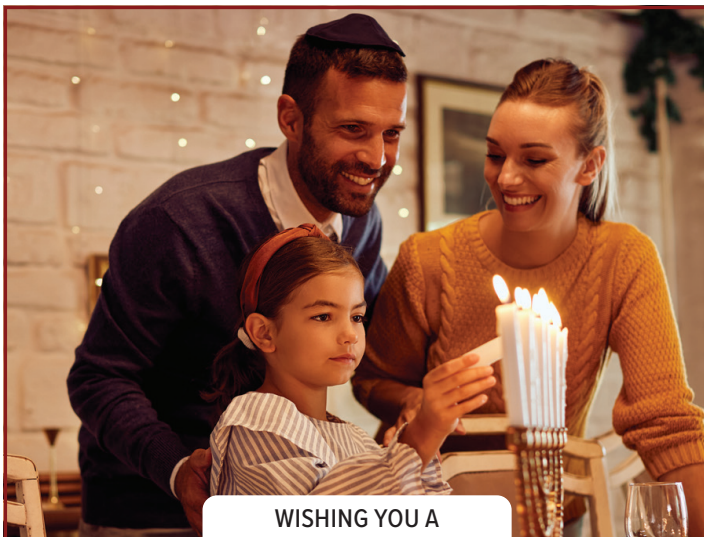
Religious school and AlefBeits will meet on December 10th for a special Hannukah celebration at 9:00 AM.

Mark your calendars for the annual CEVO Congregational Meeting on December 17th.

Our CEVO Board Meeting will be held on Monday, December 11th.



 fb.me/CEVOcommunity



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December Programs:

T3 - Talking Torah for Today

Tuesdays at Noon

Dialogues: 10 Talmudic Discussions

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.



Hanukkah Dinner

Dec. 8th following services

RST Candle Lighting at City Center

Dec. 9th at 6:00 p.m.

In-Person and Zoom Services

Minyan: Monday & Thursday @ 7:45 a.m.

Kabbalat Shabbat: Fridays @ 6:00 p.m.

Shabbat Morning Services: Saturday @ 9:30 a.m.

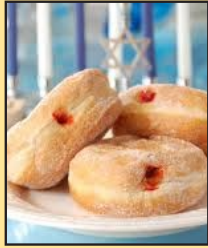
Please see our website for more information.

Contact the office for Zoom information: office@rodefsholomtemple.org

401 City Center Blvd. - Newport News, VA, 23606 - 757-826-5894 - rodefsholomtemple.org

December 9th
Naioki Wood
Camp Chaverim Director
Sarfan Center Assistant
Director

Temple Beth El of Williamsburg
600 Jamestown Road—www.tbewilliamsburg.org
Chanukah Party — December 10



- Join us at TBEW to light candle #4, on Sunday night, December 10 at 5 pm. Each family is encouraged to bring their own menorah & candles.
- Iron Chef Latke contest! Bring your best latkes to compete (+extras to eat)!
- Chant blessings, sing songs, eat Sufganiyot, play dreidel.
- Let's have a party, we'll all dance the hora!



We celebrate Jewish life all year!
Learn more at tbewilliamsburg.org

Temple Sinai
11620 Warwick Blvd, Newport News, VA 23601
(757) 596-8352



WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday, December 2nd @ 10:00am - Shabbat Malachim Service followed by light Kiddush luncheon

Saturday, December 3rd @ 10:00am - Adult Education Torah Study with Joanna Homrighausen & Fred Levy, an informal Torah discussion and a delicious bagel nosh.

Friday, December 8th @ 6:15pm - Hanukkah Dinner with music by Alice Rubenstein. *Contact the Temple office (757-596-8352) for more information.*

Saturday, December 16th @ 10:00am - Shabbat Service followed by light Kiddush luncheon.

Friday, December 22nd @ 7:30pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Friday, December 29th @ 7:30pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Our **Religious School** fosters an inclusive social-emotional Jewish learning environment featuring innovative and fun programs in partnership with special institutions and educators. Check it out!



Special Religious School programs this month include:

***Hanukkah Arts and Crafts** with Carmela Malkin Kuhn

***Survival Israel: An Israel experience where everyone is a survivor** with guest instructor from the Jewish Museum & Cultural Center in Portsmouth.

For more information about services or Religious School, contact Rabbi Sokol at rabbiseverine@gmail.com or (757) 268-6951



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UJCVP Community December 2023 Calendar

Friday, Dec. 1, 2023

10am - Red Cross Blood Drive

Saturday, Dec. 2, 2023

7pm - JCCY / PJ Our Way

Monday, Dec. 4, 2023

6:30pm - Hanukkah Craft Night

Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2023

4:30pm - Hebrew School
5:30pm - Bootcamp Fitness

Thursday, Dec. 7, 2023

11am - Grand Club/Bingo
5:30pm - Bootcamp Fitness
6pm - Hanukkah at City Center

Sunday, Dec. 10, 2023

11am-4pm - UJC Holiday
Vendor Fair

Monday, Dec. 11, 2023

11am - Little Movers & Shakers

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2023

4:30pm - Hebrew School
5:30pm - Bootcamp Fitness

Thursday, Dec. 14, 2023

11am - Grand Club/Bingo
5:30pm - Bootcamp Fitness
6pm - Hanukkah at New Town

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2023

8pm - 20/30 Karaoke Night

Sunday, Dec. 17, 2023

3pm - YRSO Concert

Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2023

4:30pm - Hebrew School
5:30pm - Bootcamp Fitness

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2023

7pm - UJC General
Board Meeting

Thursday, Dec. 21, 2023

9am-5pm - Challah Pick Up
10am - Kibbitz & Create
11am - Grand Club/Bingo
5:30pm - Bootcamp Fitness

Friday, Dec. 22, 2023

9am-4pm - Challah Pick Up

Monday, Dec. 25, 2023

UJC CLOSED
SARFAN CENTER CLOSED

Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2023

UJC CLOSED
SARFAN CENTER CLOSED
5:30pm - Bootcamp Fitness

Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2023

UJC CLOSED
SARFAN CENTER CLOSED

Thursday, Dec. 28, 2023

UJC CLOSED
SARFAN CENTER CLOSED
5:30pm - Bootcamp Fitness

Friday, Dec. 29, 2023

UJC CLOSED
SARFAN CENTER CLOSED

Monday, Jan. 1, 2024

UJC CLOSED
SARFAN CENTER CLOSED

Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2024

SARFAN CENTER CLOSED
5:30pm - Bootcamp Fitness

