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Jewish Community News

News of the Jewish VA Peninsula Community

June 2021/5781

Executive Director's Message - Steven Wendell



Complete and awaiting you for the grand opening at our UJC Annual Meeting!

It doesn't seem possible that a full program year has gone by living under the uncertainty of a worldwide pandemic. We hosted our Annual Community Purim Carnival on Sunday, March 8th, 2020, in the UJC gymnasium with the bouncy house, giant slide, other assorted games, and fun with some 200 kids, teens, and parents having a slightly COVID cautious but extremely fun time. By the end of day that Friday, March 13th, our world as we knew it, changed dramatically.

It would be totally repetitive to go over the challenges the past 15 months have thrown at us, individually and collectively as a community. The pages of the monthly Newsletter, our weekly eblasts, and the numerous other special program announcements and updates tell the story. In short, the UJCVP adapted, survived, and even grew stronger from the experience. And after all, isn't that the story of the Jewish people over thousands of years?

So now it's time to celebrate!

The UJCVP Officers and Board serve two-year terms. Since we will be entering the second year of the current term this program year, our Annual Meeting does not include an election. So at this month's Annual

Meeting, we can focus on *celebration and dedication*.

For those who have not been physically on the UJC Campus over the past year, the Annual Meeting will be a chance to see how we have not only survived, but thrived. At the meeting, thru the generous contribution of Rona and Alan Altschuler, we will be dedicating the installation of a Holocaust memorial to our new patio, flagpole, and sitting area by our main entrance. We



will also be offering tours of our new outdoor recreation installations. And, for the first time, our new outdoor adventure course will be open for members to use under the supervision of trained and certified staff.

And as if that were not enough to draw your attention, a picnic lunch of hot dogs, hamburgers and veggie burgers will be served. The UJCVP Annual Meeting is open to all UJC families. Festivities will commence at 12:30 pm, Sunday, June 13th. Weather permitting, all activities will be outdoors. In case of inclement weather, indoor space for ceremonies and food will be available. *All activities, whether indoors or outdoors, will follow current CDC and Virginia Health Department guidelines.*

Come join us on Sunday, June 13th, as we welcome everyone back to our Campus.

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Red Cross Blood Drive

in the UJC Gym
Tues. June 8th,
10am-3pm

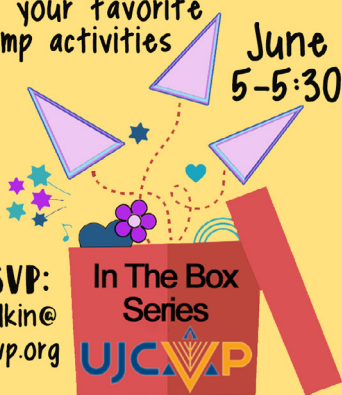
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 visit ujcvp.org
Walk-ins not admitted



CAMP IN A BOX

all your favorite
 camp activities

June 9
 5-5:30pm



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In The Box
 Series

Adath Jeshurun Synagogue

In memory of Chris Kuhn
 Ernestine Adelman

Belle S. Frank Endowment Fund

In memory of Chris Kuhn
 Jan & Jon Frank

Beskin Scholarship Fund

In memory of Adam Deyong
 In memory of Jennifer Spigel
 Aviva & Jack Mrazik

Camp Chaverim Fund

In memory of Chris Kuhn
 Renee, Allen & Dana Fraley
 Tess & Richard Goldblatt
 Linda Lavaty & Family
 Joan & Steve Marks
 Angela & Jonathan Morris
 Steve Shapiro
 Danile & Larry Spokony
 Charlene & Steve Wendell

Leroy M. Spigel Early

Childhood Education Fund

In memory of Chris Kuhn
 Debby & Eric Bashkoff
 Estelle Fineman

In memory of Jennifer Spigel
 Libby & Buddy David
 Barbara & Dennis Kaplan
 Sara Traster & Dave Harriss

Marilyn* & Mark Nataupsky

Holocaust Education Fund

In memory of Adam Deyong
 In memory of Pat Freedman
 In memory of Chris Kuhn
 In memory of Ann Lynn Lipton
 In memory of Rex Phillips
 In memory of Bruce Press
 In memory of Bernice Sandler
 In memory of Jennifer Spigel
 In memory of Gene Wendell
 Mark Nataupsky

Mikveh Fund

In memory of Norman Morgan
 Enid & Nathan Sharf

Marc Minkoff Sports Scholarship Fund

In honor of Gary Moliken
 becoming the General District
 Court Judge in Fairfax County
 Karen, Jonathan, Kristin, Maci
 & Ryan Minkoff

In memory of Adam Deyong
 Betsi & Herb Garfinkel

In memory of Chris Kuhn
 Fran & Al Moliken
 Susan, Marty & Emily Moliken

In memory of Jennifer Spigel
 Fran & Al Moliken
 Susan & Marty Moliken

Senior Meal Fund

In memory of Marilyn Epstein
 Joanne & Richard Gordon

UJC Preschool Fund

Mazel Tov to Wendy & Jonathan Eisner on the birth of their granddaughter

Debby & Eric Bashkoff
Kelli Caplan

Wishing Steve Dannenberg a speedy recovery
Rhonda & Art Diamond

In memory of Adam Deyong
In memory of Brandan Fowler
In memory of Rex Phillips
In memory of Tyler Pierre
Rhonda & Art Diamond

In memory of Chris Kuhn
Elaine & Arnie Abrams
Beth & Jack Arager
Rhoda Beckman
William Beisch
Benjamin Bradley
Kelli Caplan & Family
Libby & Buddy David
Brian, Melissa, Caroline &
Emma Diamond

Rhonda & Art Diamond
Wendy & Jonathan Eisner
Helaine Goldsman & Walt
Deskins

Joanne & Richard Gordon
Susie Hockman
Mariel & Eric Karlin & Family
Melissa & Dave Kashy

Martha & Tsvi Katz-Hyman
Myrna & Bob Korfin
Janet & Scott Kruger
Molly & Eugene Link
Lisa & Sam Margolin
Judy Morewitz

Lisa & Geoffrey Nochimson
Shelly Portnoy
Tzina & Louis Richman
Linda, Bill & Hannah Roos
Jody & Ed Sarfan
Sylvia & Robert Scholnick
Scott, Jacob & Adam Stein
Lucy & Mike Sukman
Sara Traster & Dave Harriss

Carolyn Vassos
Tova & Jay Warren

In memory of Jennifer Spigel
Rhonda & Art Diamond
Melissa & Dave Kashy

Unrestricted Endowment Fund

Happy "special" birthday to Tzina Richman
Joanne & Richard Gordon

In honor of Wendy & Jonathan Eisner's new granddaughter
Ettalea Kanter
Betty Levin

Mazel tov to Bill Becker on his recognition by FJMC
Ettalea Kanter

Mazel tov to Jenny David on receiving the VCIC
Humanitarian Award
Joanne & Richard Gordon

In memory of Chris Kuhn
Rona & Alan Altschuler
Ettalea Kanter

In memory of Jennifer Spigel
In memory of Rex Phillips
Ettalea Kanter

In Memory of Brandan Fowler

Susan & Charles Friedman
Bobbi & Ralph Goldstein
Martha & Tsvi Katz-Hyman
Myrna & Bob Korfin
Molly & Eugene Link
Shoshana Marziano
Patty & Steve Meyerson
Jody & Ed Sarfan

President's Message - Kelli Caplan



Being passionate is what drives so much of the good in the world.

The same is true on our campus and in our community.

Fresh ideas and new perspectives keep us relevant and moving forward. Without them, our mission becomes stagnant. The plethora of initiatives and programs that are rooted in strong community support is simply incredible. We have loads of members who are powerful forces in making good things happen, both on campus and in the world.

One of those people is Rona Altschuler. When Rona takes an interest in something, she paves the way for making her vision a reality and sees it through to the end. She exemplifies good will and grace.

Several months ago, Rona became aware that the Holocaust memorial area near the War Museum in Newport News had fallen into disrepair. Weeds were growing, dirt had accumulated, and the integrity of what the memorial stands for was wavering. So, Rona and her good buddy, Elaine Abrams, decided to spend hours sprucing it up. They planted beautiful flowers, scrubbed the bricks and made the area shine again.



Rona, who is a member of our Community Relations Council, is fervent about making sure victims of the Holocaust are remembered. She had a very close friend named France Nassau, who survived the Holocaust. It has always been her desire to honor Frances and the six million Jews who horrifically died in the camps.

After beautifying the Holocaust memorial, Rona posed the question of why there was nothing on our campus memorializing Holocaust victims. Her question resonated with me. Of course there should be a meaningful remembrance here for all of those souls who perished. We once had a memorial statue near the front of the building, but due to disrepair it was removed. I

encouraged Rona to think about what her vision was for this memorial and we would work to make it happen.

In true Rona form, she forged ahead and developed an outstanding proposal. Her vision was a stone memorial inscribed with very simple, yet poignant words of remembrance. We decided on the perfect place for it: the new outdoor sitting area to the right of the front door. It was meant to be, as there was an ideal spot right at the front of the area where a huge rock had been placed for aesthetics. It is an ideal space, as people can gather near it and reflect, talk or just sit in silence. It lends itself to both reflection and community. We decided that the rock would be replaced by the memorial. Not only did Rona develop the prototype, but she also was intent on making the memorial a gift to the UJC.

Once we had the concept and the place, Rona worked quickly to make it happen. She and I took a field trip to a company in Norfolk that creates headstones and other stone memorials. She explained to the man there exactly what her idea was, and he embraced it, saying it was no problem at all to create.

The smile on Rona's face and sparkle in her eye when she realized her idea was going to become a reality was indescribable. She was thrilled, as was I. There really is no better feeling than seeing someone accomplish something so deeply meaningful to her being.

The stone, which is going to be beautiful and consequential, will be delivered in June, in time for our annual meeting. It will add significantly to this campus and to the fabric of what we are all about at our core.

This was Rona's project. But, it also showed just how open the UJC is to innovative and meaningful ideas. We are only as good as our members. And with members like Rona, we are shining brighter and brighter all the time.

Thank you, Rona, for your suggestion, your passion and your follow through.

There is no doubt in my mind that Frances is looking down, honored by your endless dedication to her memory and so very proud of you and your heart.





Because... **CREATIVITY ABOUNDS!**

The hamsa is highly recognized all over the world. It is an ancient middle eastern amulet symbolizing the hand of God and embraced by many religions as a comforting symbol. Kaitlynn made this hamsa as part of our jCraft To Go program. jCraft To Go has been one of our signature Covid year programs, developed to increase connection and recreation and to continue drawing community members to our campus, even if only for a quick pick up and hello. Our staff places a hand written, personal note in each jCraft art kit - another sign of our quest to keep our relationships unique, personal, and enduring. As we start to slowly creep out of Covid isolation and become more comfortable gathering in person, our staff will be busy evaluating what we learned programmatically from our past 15 months. What worked? What didn't? What was so effective, fun, and worthwhile that even when we return to in-person programming we will likely keep

on our agendas? jCraft To Go, along with our signature In the Box Series, are two programs that come to mind for this discussion. They represent worthwhile modes of connection that stood the test of this year and may find a place in our post Covid calendar. Keep your eyes peeled as we develop our summer and fall calendar! In addition, keep your screens ready for some programs that may remain virtual for ease of attendance and connection such as Mindfulness and Facebook Together. Though no one wants to relive our pandemic experience, we do want to recognize our new technological skill sets and honor our ability as a community to connect in multiple ways.

These programs are the result of a creative staff that rose to the occasion and reached beyond the boundaries of what we thought programming had to look like. Every step of the way we were able to function at our highest levels as a staff because we had YOU. We have a community of donors who never stopped supporting us (and supported us even more) so that we never had to worry about whether our budget would suffer and make movement forward even more difficult. We truly feel like some of the luckiest non-profit staff this year, and are eternally grateful for your support.

Because... of a robust Annual Campaign, our jobs were easier. If you have not yet had an opportunity to make a commitment to the 2021 Annual Campaign it is never too late. Visit us at www.ujcvp.org/pledge

UJCVP ENDOWMENT

Donor Advised Funds of a Powerful Philanthropic Force

Donor Advised Funds are the fastest growing form of charitable spending in America, with more than \$120 billion in DAF accounts across the country in 2018, according to the most recent industry estimates, up from \$45 billion just six years earlier. (Washington Post June 24, 2020)

Our own DAF assets currently total \$7,845,695 distributed between 41 funds. Small, but mighty, our UJCVP community has always taken our philanthropic goals seriously, as evidenced by the significance of this important charitable vehicle in our total Endowment portfolio.

Donor Advised Funds contribute so much to our community including:

- PJ Library Funding
- Reimagine Camp Chaverim Funding
- Hebrew School Funding
- Annual Campaign Contributions
- Special Program Funding

Your decision to house your DAF with the UJCVP Endowment Inc. allows you to pursue ALL of your philanthropic goals, to this community and to most nonprofits of your choice, often with a lower management fee than other financial institutions or community foundations.

If you are interested in opening a Donor Advised Fund here, or exploring how this vehicle might benefit you, please contact Sarah Barnett sarah@ujcvp.org

Development **Corner** - Sarah Barnett (continued)

UJCVP Family Services Receiving Direct Donations

As many of you read in our last newsletter, we are excited to have welcomed Joseph Hendrix MSW to our staff as the new UJCVP Director of Family Services. Joseph is embracing his role in transitioning from a previous contract relationship with Jewish Family Service of Tidewater to establishing our own Family Service office as a member of the Network of Jewish Human Service Agencies.

Our relationship with JFS of Tidewater served us extremely well over the decades and we will always be grateful for their leadership in this field. Our positive relationship included the meaningful stewardship of Peninsula donors, as many of our community members made donations to JFS Tidewater over the years with the correct understanding that these funds were supporting our efforts on the Peninsula.


As we are now running an independent Family Service office, donors who wish to support these efforts as they did in the past, can now make their contributions directly to the UJCVP, with a note designating funds to our Family Service office.



As with everything here on our campus, it is our Annual Campaign that continues to provide the bulk of funding for our Family Service office. Your additional contributions supplement our operating expenses and often help provide for emergency needs of our clients.

If you have any questions regarding these directed donations, please email sarah@ujcvp.org

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<p>Check out our UJC Facebook page for a new, family-friendly experience each week.</p> <p><i>(And you could win a gift card for your participation!)</i></p> <p>Coming up:</p> <p>*UJC Memories *National Fudge Day *Daddy Love *Fear2Freedom, Gender Neutral Clothing Drive</p>	<p>UJCVP</p>  <p>TOGETHER</p>
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Mikveh Project

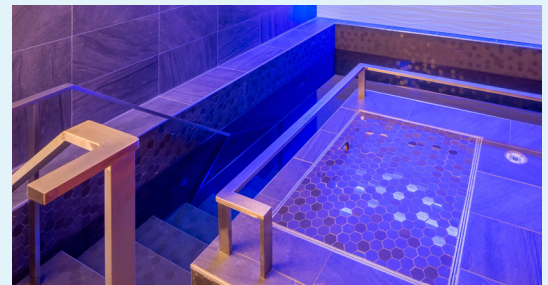
American Jews Should Embrace Mikveh From *Forward* by M. Honig

I have a spiritual practice of immersing once a month, through my work. I love helping people find their own paths toward a Mikveh practice of their own. Over 450 people a year come to immerse in this one sacred space I know so well. When I'm immersed in the waters of the Mikveh, I feel connected to the Source of Life, to my ancestors, and to my body.

Ritual like Mikveh immersion are placeholders or words or emotions that we don't know how to express otherwise. I believe that embodied rituals are the most powerful ones, because when we do something with our bodies (as opposed to just speaking words, or engaging intellectually) we access deeper wisdom. Words come out of our mouths, but actions emanate from our souls.

Rituals may not always work the way they are supposed to. In other words, they aren't magic spells or incantations. Instead they are intentions, remembrances, outgoing calls to another time and place, or shouts into the chaos saying, "Here I am, trying to connect" or "Remember us."

Adas Israel Community Mikveh has become a place where people now immerse to mark all kinds of life transitions: becoming a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, recovering from an illness or an addiction, graduating, retiring, finishing a time of mourning, moving to a new city... along with the traditional uses for a Mikveh.



Adas Israel Mikveh - Washington DC

Everyone faces transitions and we know that change is the only constant. We all need rituals!

Our UJCVP is a member of the consortium RISING TIDE, a national network devoted to opening the Mikveh Experience to the entire Jewish Community. For information contact Meryl Kessler at mlk1939@verizon.net. Our committee is co-chaired by Dr. Gary Kavit, Scott Wolf, and Meryl Kessler.

UJ CINEMA OUTDOOR MOVIE: *The Catcher was a Spy*

June 17, 8:30pm



BUO CHAIR - FREE POPCORN
NON-MEMBERS: \$10 / PERSON

JCC Kids Connect: Popsicles at the Pool

6/27 2-3pm



Find Mrs. Jessi at Glendale Pool for a FREE popsicle!

Education Corner

Sarfan Center / Camp Chaverim, Naioki Wood



A Celebration in Education

Being an educator is so much more than a career. Educators leave a lasting legacy on the world by providing love and support to our children, cultivating a lifelong passion for learning. The UJCVP proudly celebrates the Sarfan Center Educators for their hard work and dedication!

These ladies all share a deep bond with their students and one another.

They showed how quickly they can adapt, protect and tackle any obstacle that may stand in their way. With their shields in hand and superhero capes tied safely and securely on their backs, these superhumans continue to save the world one smile at a time.

We stand tall to congratulate our Sarfan Center Educators and say THANK YOU for all that you do for our children and our community!



Top Photo, L-R:
Merissa Donnell, Infant Room; Amber Barnes, Mazel Tots; Linda Tompkins, Tziporim 2 year old class; Lylah Kusnet, Mazel Tots; Brianna Chappell, Infant Room; Kristen Hall, Tziporim 2 year old class; Lysie McIlhinney, Infant Room

Middle Photo, L-R:
Beth Arager & Robin Levy, J School

Bottom Photo, L-R:
Ashley Simmons, Chaverim 2/3 year old class; Jessica Cooper, Chaverim 2/3 year old class; Logan Rajman, Nitzanim 2/3 year old class; Sasha Nasirova, Nitzanim 2/3 year old class; Gavrielle Bargash, Pre-K; Liana Favale, Pre-K; Maya Yartsev, Pre-K





Reimagine Summer Reimagine Camp Chaverim!

CAMP CHAVERIM IS READY FOR AN OUTDOOR UPGRADE.

Reimagine SUMMER
Reimagine FUN

Reimagine the
POSSIBILITIES

REIMAGINE
CAMP CHAVERIM



For information on how you can contribute to this effort, contact Sarah Barnett: sarah@ujcvp.org



LIKE our Camp Facebook Page to stay up-to-date on all things Summer Camp!
Camp Chaverim Ujcvp

Calendar of Fun

Week of June 21
*Into the Woods:
A Nature Adventure*

Week of June 28
Dance-a-Palooza

Week of July 5
Play with Clay

Week of July 12
Mad Science



Calendar of Fun

Week of July 19
*Kickin' It: Bootcamp
Style*

Week of July 26
Learn, Taste, Create

Week of August 2
Holiday Celebrations

Week of August 9
Summer Blast



How to have the BEST summer:

- Swim
- Eat ice cream
- Read books
- Build forts
- Watch fireworks
- Have a picnic

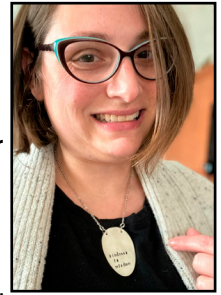
✓ GO TO CAMP CHAVERIM!!!



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Registration ujcvp.org/camp

BBYO Update - Jessi Malkin

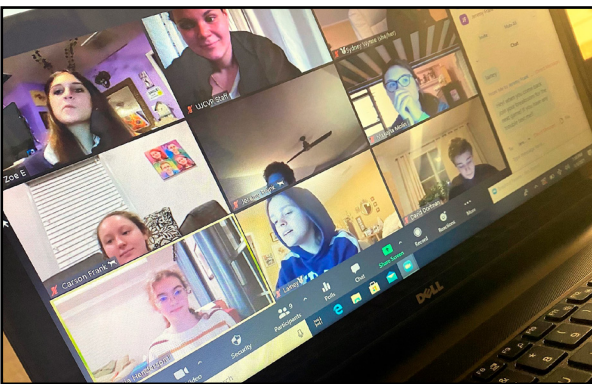


During the summer of 2017, we set a goal with our local teens in mind. We wanted to bring BBYO back to the Peninsula. As a BBYO Alumni, I was thrilled to begin this journey and spent the first year planning activities and inviting 8th-12th graders to attend. We went bowling, laser tagging, and hit up a few escape rooms. It was fun, the teens were engaging, and friendships were forming, but we were not there yet.

The next year we took a totally new approach and set up home-housed events, more like the BBYO I knew and loved. Parents welcomed us into their homes for game days and movie nights, but I was still doing the planning and most of the outreach. Slowly the teens began joining BBYO as the movement and not just BBYO our local crew. I would mention regional and council events, but the interest just wasn't there yet.



In 2019, a core group of teens emerged, looking to take on more ownership in planning events and our little chapter grew. In December 2019, six of our teens attended their first Regional Convention. At first it was culture shock - so many Jewish teens in the same place! By the end of the weekend, most of the teens were hooked. By January 2020, we had reached our membership goal and were an official chapter! Peninsula BBYO was born! Our teens were just getting started... Then the pandemic hit. The teens began planning their own online events and found ways to stay connected with each other, the region and the council.



Now, self-motivated and self-lead, BBYO has continued to soar. Teen leaders control every aspect of their chapter, under the guidance of Logan Rajman (who we welcomed as chapter advisor in the spring of 2020). Four years ago, we had a goal to bring BBYO back to the Peninsula. Today, Peninsula BBYO is flourishing. Our teens are engaged and running the show here in our chapter and and in Virginia Council.



David Dorfman and Zoe Epstein have recently been elected to the Virginia Council Board to serve as AZA Mazkir (Secretary) and BBG Gizborit (Treasurer). Mazel Tov to David and Zoe; your hard work is certainly paying off!

In addition to council participation, this summer four of our teens will be attending BBYO leadership training camps, taking our teens to different states and introducing them to other teens from all over the world. I can't wait to hear about their experiences and to watch them implement their new skills in the fall!

BBYO is the leading pluralistic Jewish teen movement aspiring to involve more Jewish teens in more meaningful Jewish experiences. As expressed in our core values, BBYO welcomes Jewish teens of all backgrounds, denominational affiliation, gender, race, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic status, including those with a range of intellectual, emotional, and physical abilities.



BBYO Update (continued)

BBYO Teen Interviews



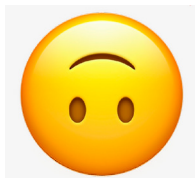
Name: David Dorfman
Age: 15
Grade/School: 10th Grade, Tabb High School
What is the best thing about BBYO: Making connections with other Jewish teens.
What are your goals for Peninsula BBYO: To grow in membership and meaningful experiences.

What would you say to prospective members: Please come to a program and give it a try! I promise you won't regret it :)

Why did you run for Council Board: Because BBYO is such a great place to make new friends and grow as a Jewish young adult, and I wanted to contribute to that!

What are your summer plans (tell us about your summer program selections): I am going to the ILTC (International Leadership Training Conference), along with several hometown friends, and I'm really excited for it!

What's one more thing about you that you are willing to share with the Jewish Community: I love to swim and I'm really excited to see our rising 8th graders at BBYO programs soon ;)



Name: Zoe Epstein
Age: 17
Grade/School: Junior, Hampton Roads Academy
What is the best thing about BBYO: Being able to meet other Jewish teens who share similar interests.
What are your goals for Peninsula BBYO: To grow and become the best chapter it can be.

What would you say to prospective members: BBYO is an amazing opportunity to meet other Jews in your community that you can create a unique bond with that you won't get at school or other activities.

Why did you run for Council Board: I ran for council board so Peninsula BBYO could become more active as well as show that no matter how small or large a chapter is, you can have a voice.

What are your summer plans (tell me about your summer program selections): I am attending the ILTC at Camp Perlman and couldn't be more excited!!

What's one more thing more thing about you that you are willing to share with the Jewish Community: BBYO has become a second home to me and I wouldn't trade the experience and memories I've made for the world. Getting to know Jewish teens from all across the world has made a large impact on my life as well as allowed me to have a diverse and unique group of people I am able to call my friends.

There is no reason too small to give us a call!

Raise Your Hand Day is an opportunity to CONFIDENTIALLY reach out to our Jewish Family Service office. When you feel uncertain about your options for support, your Jewish Community is here for YOU! **Wednesday, June 30th**

Call Directly: Joseph Hendrix, Family Services Director - 757-223-5635, 9am-2pm





June 17th 

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Sarfan Center Tziporim Teacher

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MINDFULNESS & MEDITATION

Monday June 7th 7pm

Topic: Finding Calm



RSVP:
jmalkin@ujcvp.org

Congregation Adath Jeshurun

401 City Center Blvd. , Newport News, VA 23606

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Rabbi Gershon Litt, 757-559-1836



Kindness is paramount in Jewish thought. When the Romans destroyed the Second Temple in Jerusalem, nearly 2000 years ago, the Talmud pinpoints the cause: Jewish infighting and baseless hatred of one another.

Displaying true love and kindness brings us closer to the time the Temple will be rebuilt in Jerusalem. The nine days preceding the fast of Tisha B'Av, which commemorates the destruction of both the First and Second Temples, is a prime time to start changing our behavior and adopting a kinder way of relating to others.

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks said, "Remember, acts of kindness never die. They linger in the memory, giving life to other acts in return." This wise observation echoes the Jewish realization that one good deed begets another.

Mazel Tov to our most senior member, Estelle Fineman, on celebrating her 103rd. birthday!

Shabbos Candle Lighting Times:

June 4 - 8:03pm
June 11 - 8:07pm
June 18 - 8:09pm
June 25 - 8:10pm

We are proud to announce that on June 12th, Adath Jeshurun will resume Shabbos services with Rabbi Litt.

Services are at 9:30 a.m.
Mask are required at all services.
Further dates will be announced.



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Virtual Services

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Kabbalat Shabbat:

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

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Musical Accompanist Dr. Ben Corbin

Shabbat Services

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

June 4

Lay led Erev Shabbat service

June 11

Rabbi led Erev Shabbat service

June 18

Lay led Erev Shabbat service

June 25

Rabbi led Erev Shabbat service with Cantorial Soloist

Special Events & Other News



Have a healthy and safe start of summer!

All are welcome to visit! Our location:
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Building Community

Community Building

Help us keep our synagogue welcoming, safe and secure in this changing world.

Temple Beth El of Williamsburg rests on a solid foundation of Torah worship, study, education and community. Our challenge is to preserve and strengthen what past generations have built. Major structural repairs and security upgrades are needed. We hope you will join with us to ensure our synagogue is here now and for future generations.

Learn more about our effort and the Mezuzah Wall at tbewilliamsburg.org/building-campaign

Temple Sinai
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THIS MONTH AT TEMPLE SINAI:

***Shabbat Spotlight** (Over Zoom) - June 4, 18 & 25 Kabbalat Shabbat (7:20pm)

***Shabbat Service** (Over Zoom) - June 12 Lydia Passut's Bat Mitzvah (10:00am)



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Rabbi Sokol at rabbiseverine@gmail.com**

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UJCVP Community June 2021 Calendar

Tuesday, June 1, 2021

12pm - Grand Club To Go

Wednesday, June 2, 2021

11am-4pm - Glendale Pool

Thursday, June 3, 2021

12pm - Grand Club To Go

Friday, June 4, 2021

4-8pm - Glendale Pool

Saturday, June 5, 2021

11am-9pm - Glendale Pool

Sunday, June 6, 2021

UJC FB Together: UJC Memories

1-8pm - Glendale Pool

Monday, June 7, 2021

7pm - Mindful Monday

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

10am - Red Cross Blood Drive

12pm - Grand Club To Go

Wednesday, June 9, 2021

11am-4pm - Glendale Pool

5pm - Camp in a Box

Thursday, June 10, 2021

12pm - Grand Club To Go

Friday, June 11, 2021

4-8pm - Glendale Pool

Saturday, June 12, 2021

11am-9pm - Glendale Pool

Sunday, June 13, 2021

UJC FB Together: National

Fudge Day

12:30pm - UJC Annual Meeting

BBQ Lunch

1-8pm - Glendale Pool

Monday, June 14, 2021

Sarfan Center Summer

Preschool begins

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

12pm - Grand Club To Go

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

11am-4pm - Glendale Pool

Thursday, June 17, 2021

12pm - Grand Club To Go

8:30pm - UJCinema Outdoor

Movie: The Catcher was a Spy

Friday, June 18, 2021

4-8pm - Glendale Pool

Saturday, June 19, 2021

11am-9pm - Glendale Pool

Sunday, June 20, 2021

UJC FB Together: Daddy Love

1-8pm - Glendale Pool

Monday, June 21, 2021

Summer Camp Chaverim

begins

1-8pm - Glendale Pool

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

11am-8pm - Glendale Pool

12pm - Grand Club To Go

Wednesday, June 23, 2021

11am-9pm - Glendale Pool

Thursday, June 24, 2021

11am-8pm - Glendale Pool

12pm - Grand Club To Go

Friday, June 25, 2021

11am-8pm - Glendale Pool

Saturday, June 26, 2021

11am-9pm - Glendale Pool

Sunday, June 27, 2021

UJC FB Together: Fear2Freedom

Gender-Neutral Clothing Drive

1-8pm - Glendale Pool

2pm - JCC Kids Connect:

Popsicles at the Pool

Monday, June 28, 2021

1-8pm - Glendale Pool

Tuesday, June 29, 2021

11am-8pm - Glendale Pool

12pm - Grand Club To Go

Wednesday, June 30, 2021

9am - Raise Your Hand Day

11am-9pm - Glendale Pool