



Erev Shabbat

Friday, October 15

Kabbalat Shabbat **6:30 p.m.**

Light *Shabbat* candles at **5:57 p.m.**

Shabbat October 16

Shabbat Services **9:30 a.m.**

Parshat Lech Lecha

Shabbat Ends **6:54 p.m.**

Women's Group **1:00-2:00 p.m.**

Havdalah **7:04 p.m.**

This week's *Kiddush* is sponsored by
Marjut & Jonathan Herzog
in honor of their 22nd Wedding Anniversary

Kiddush sponsors continue to be needed for this program year.

To sponsor a *Kiddush*, contact [Andrea Rothberg](#) or [Barbara Saunders-Adams](#).

Future "*Kiddush*" Sponsorships



October 30

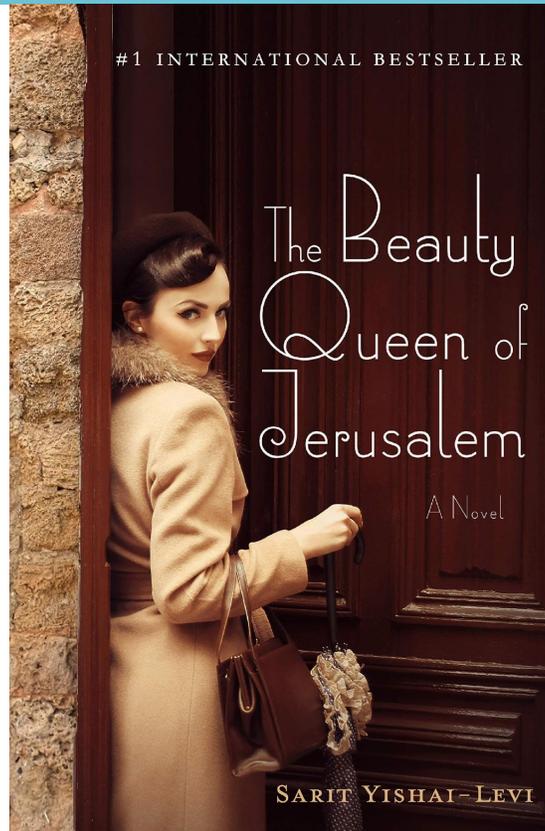
November 13, 20, 27

December 4, 11, 18, 25

We are looking for a *Kiddush* Coordinator. Please contact
Andrea Rothberg if you are interested.

If you want to sponsor a *Kiddush*, please reach out to **Andrea Rothberg** or **Barbara Saunders-Adams**, who are temporarily running this program until a new *Kiddush* Coordinator can be found.

Upcoming Book Group October 24th



Sunday, October 24th at 11 a.m., we will discuss Sarit Yishai-Levi's book, **"The Beauty Queen of Jerusalem"** on Zoom.

Yishai-Levi's book follows four generations of Sephardic Jerusalemite women at the time of the founding of the state of Israel. The book can be ordered from Amazon. There is a copy on the mantle in the PJC Library.

Adult Education Course Offerings for 2021-22

Join Rabbi Resnick for an exciting year of **Jewish Adult Education!** The following courses are scheduled:

* ***Survey of Jewish Theology***

- * *Learner's Service on Shabbat Mornings*
- * *Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Judaism (But Were Afraid to Ask)*
- * *Hilchot Pesach Mini-Course*
- * *Chevrotah Learning with the Rabbi*
- * *Gilyonot Nechama Chug ("Lunch & Learn")*
- * *Kabbalah & Hasidut Chug ("Lunch & Learn")*
- * *Mishnah Chug ("Lunch & Learn")*



There will be no charge to participate in any of the "**Lunch & Learn**" classes, or the **Learner's Service on Shabbat Morning, Hilchot Pesach mini-course** or **Chevrotah Learning with the Rabbi**.

To participate in **Survey of Jewish Theology** and/or **Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Judaism...**, tuition will be \$75/person for one class, or \$125/person for both classes.

Registration is required for all classes . To register, please contact Julia Coss [via email](#). To access a copy of our tri-fold brochure, **which provides details about each course offering**, please click [here](#).

Bikur Cholim



Under Rabbi Resnick's guidance, we are forming a *Bikur Cholim* group, to call or visit PJC members who are ill or hospitalized -- at their request and convenience. If you would like to participate, please contact Rabbi Resnick, or you may reach Rhonda Singer via email at: rhondasinger@hotmail.com. We will be back in touch regarding organizational details.



SCHOLARSTREAM
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2021-22

ScholarStream Program

The Pelham Jewish Center is sponsoring the **ScholarStream Program for 5782**. Offered by the Rabbinical Assembly, this eight-part series will run October 2021-May 2022. Our sponsorship provides PJC members access to all eight series, **at no cost**.

To access a copy of the first series session flyer, please click [here](#). To register, click [here](#). Our unique coupon code is: **PelhamJewishCenter21**. Enter this coupon code on the registration page under “Event Fees”, then click “Apply.” Prior to the start of each series, registrants will receive a Zoom link for that series **directly from the Rabbinical Assembly**. A reminder email will be sent a week before the start of each segment, and again the morning of each session. The deadline to register for a given session is 10:00 a.m. ET on the morning of the session.

Here are descriptions of the topics for **Series 1: Torah Relationships**:

10/13/21: Liza Bernstein, “Gendered Gaps: Remembering Sarah Where She is Most Erased”

When we study the Akeidah, the binding of Isaac, we often focus on the dynamics between Abraham, Isaac, and God. We rarely ask: where was Sarah? In this class, we will use traditional sources and gender theory to open up questions of gender, community, and parenting. Through our questioning, we will remember Sarah's story and re-member Sarah, in all her complexities, as a full part of our tradition.

10/20/21: Rabbi Bradley Artson, “Loving Peace, One Person at a Time”

We often think of the pursuit of peace as a task for nations, communities, and public figures. And it is all that. But the work of peace is also private and individual. In the person of Aaron, first High Priest and brother to Moses, the ancient sages imagine what an integrated approach to making peace might look like.

10/27/21: Rabbi Elliot Dorff, “The Dysfunctional Families of Genesis: What They -- and Later Jewish Law -- Tell Us About How *Not* to Treat Our Parents, Siblings, and Children”

We have all read the stories of Genesis many times over and have interpreted them in sermons and lessons. The goal of this session is to examine them in the context of family ethics. What bad practices do they exemplify, and what does

Jewish law tell us about how to form better family relationships and avoid family violence?

If you have questions, please contact Christine Aucoin, at the Rabbinical Assembly, via email by clicking [here](#).

October 17th Breakfast Run Volunteers Needed



The PJC **Breakfast Run** is scheduled for
This Sunday, October 17, from 7:30-11:00 a.m.

A breakfast run involves distributing a hot breakfast, clothing and toiletries to the homeless and needy at a location in NYC designated by midnightrun.org. We will meet at the PJC at about 7:30 a.m., and will caravan to the location assigned to us.

Volunteers are needed to come on the run and/or to help with the preparation beforehand. We are also collecting the following much-needed items:

- **NEW** men's underwear, undershirts and socks
- Men's clothing (especially jeans and sweatshirts/sweaters)
- Winter coats, hats, gloves, boots and sneakers
- Blankets and bags

Please contact Michael Dvorkin via [email](#) about volunteering, donating or if you have any questions.

Soup Kitchen

The CSA Soup Kitchen is relocating and their new space is not ready yet. Therefore, Soup Kitchen for the month of October is cancelled. Get ready for November's!



Date (Thursdays)	Menu
10/14	Meatloaf, rice, cookies CANCELLED
11/18	Baked ziti, salad, brownies
12/16	Sloppy Joes, rice, cookies

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Yahrzeits



Tuesday, October 12

Todd Echelman remembers his stepfather, William Fleece

Wednesday, October 13

Rebeca Lodhi remembers her uncle, Caleb Freedman

Thursday, October 14

Melanie Samuels remembers her uncle, Sam Samuels

Friday, October 15

Kolby Hopper remembers his mother and Patrick Hopper remembers his wife, Jacqueline Nenner Hopper

Mark Singer remembers his mother, Marjorie Singer

Saturday, October 16

Barry Goldenberg remembers his grandmother, Mabel Blumenthal

Judy Cooper remembers her mother and Len Cooper remembers his mother-in-law, Alda DeScenza

Todd Echelman remembers his brother, Michael D. Echelman

Tuesday, October 19

Gloria Horowitz remembers her sister, Sherry Kaplan

Helen Stephenson remembers her husband, Lawrence E. Levitz

Peter Rothberg remembers his father, Harold Rothberg

Sheldon Horowitz remembers his mother, Zelda Horowitz

Thursday, October 21

Suzanne Wies remembers her brother, Hal Mitchell Fleischman

Friday, October 22

Spencer Barback remembers his mother, Clara Barback

Doris-Patt Smith remembers her cousin, Saul Silverman

Saturday, October 23

Leonard Cooper remembers his brother, Seymour Cooper

Sunday, October 24

Amy Hersh remembers her mother, Marilyn Hersh

Sandra Goldman & Elaine Prager remember their father, Irving Machiz

PJC COVID-related Policies

Dear PJC Congregants,

Continued evolution of the COVID-19 pandemic requires that we continuously update our policies. In consultation with PJC member Dr. Deborah Korenstein, we would like to address several questions related to COVID management.

For those who may not be aware, Dr. Korenstein has spent the pandemic leading policy-making and process development for all employees of Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center regarding COVID-related issues. We feel that she is extremely qualified to provide advice for the health decisions your Board and the Rabbi make on behalf of the PJC community.

Context: Amidst widespread vaccination for COVID-19 among PJC congregants and in the region, our approach to the pandemic continues to evolve. The combination of high vaccination rates and more infectious strains of the virus is leading to some breakthrough infections among vaccinated individuals. Most of these infections remain mild. In a group in which all are vaccinated, the risk to vaccinated individuals remains very low. However, the possibility of mild breakthrough infections in these individuals may mean that some transmission is possible within our community, particularly to those who cannot be vaccinated, including children.

[Masking, Vaccination and Social Distancing](#)

Effective immediately, all visitors to the PJC – including congregants, staff and Learning

Center personnel – ***will be required to wear a mask while in the building*** For those individuals who are immuno-compromised, we recommend that an N95 mask be worn while in public, including while at the PJC.

At this time, we are not requiring vaccine verification for people who enter the shul, but ***all people who are eligible to be vaccinated must be vaccinated to enter our synagogue.***

We continue to set up the sanctuary for services in a socially distanced manner, and we are providing an outdoor, tented area for those worshippers who prefer to not be inside for services. Doors and windows will also be opened, to provide greater air ventilation.

Testing

While the Board is not mandating a policy of testing for COVID-19 at this time, ***all potential visitors should avoid coming to the building for any reason while newly sick with an acute respiratory illness.*** Individuals with COVID are most infectious before becoming symptomatic and during the first few days after the onset of symptoms. It is imperative that people with active symptoms avoid coming to the PJC, to decrease our shared risk.

We hope that sharing our updated policies to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic helps alleviate your concerns about participating in our services and programs. Should you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to either one of us at any time.

Rabbi Benjamin Resnick & David Haft, Board President

Treasurer's Message

by Mitchell Cepler

Billing statements are emailed monthly. Checks made out to the Pelham Jewish Center can be mailed to: Pelham Jewish Center, P.O. Box 418, Montvale, NJ 07645. Credit card payment instructions are on your monthly emailed billing statement, or go to thepjc.org/donate. Please email mcepler@gmail.com if you are interested in paying via appreciated securities or IRA distributions.

It is the policy of the Pelham Jewish Center to make every effort to assist members experiencing financial challenges. Financial challenges should never be a barrier to being an active member of the PJC community. You can reach out to President David Haft, Treasurer Mitchell Cepler or Rabbi Benjamin Resnick to speak confidentially concerning your ability to pay PJC dues and Learning Center tuition.

Support the PJC Sign Up for AmazonSmile

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support the PJC every time you shop, at no cost to you. [Sign up to support the PJC.](#)

When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to the PJC.

How do I shop at AmazonSmile?

To shop at AmazonSmile, simply go to smile.amazon.com from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. You may also want to add a bookmark to AmazonSmile to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile.

Can I use my existing Amazon.com account on AmazonSmile?

Yes, you use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry and other account settings are also the same.

How do I select a charitable organization to support when shopping on AmazonSmile?

Visit smile.amazon.com and select the Pelham Jewish Center to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make on AmazonSmile will result in a donation.

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Odds & Ends

We are looking for a *Kiddush* Coordinator. If interested, contact Andrea Rothberg at andrea.rothberg@icloud.com

Are you interested in an *Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah*? Contact Wendy Prince for more information at wendyprinceesq@gmail.com.

If you are interested in participating in discussions about issues related to Israel, please contact David Haft at da.haft@live.com

Do you have an upcoming *Simcha* (celebration) you would like acknowledged in *HaKol*?

Have you attended or participated in a virtual PJC event you would like to write about for *HaKol*?

Please let me know!

Barbara Saunders-Adams

Communications Chair
madamadam1955@gmail.com

The Pelham Jewish Center wishes you a great week!

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