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October 15, 2023 10:30-10:45 AM
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February 11, 2024 10:30-10:45 AM
March 10, 2024 11:30-11:45 AM
April 7, 2024 10:30-10:45 AM
May 5, 2024 11:30-11:45 AM
June 2, 2024 10:30-10:45 AM



CBJ has partnered with the Jewish Relief Agency (JRA) and PACS to create a network for delivering groceries to resource challenged households in the Phoenixville Area one Sunday a month. We are now delivering to over 40 households in the area. **In order to make this program as successful as possible, we need your help delivering boxes!** It's a small commitment with a big impact.

All congregants are welcome to participate in this wonderful mitzvah delivering boxes to our neighbors in need!

To volunteer or for more information, please contact Ruth Yeiser at ryeiser@alumni.upenn.edu

Does a Golem Count in a Minyan? **(And Other 21st Century Implications of an Ancient Legend)**

Adult Education with Rabbi Sultar

"Who can say he knows anything about the Golem? ...Always they treat it as a legend, till somethings happens and turns it into actuality again. After which it's talked of for many a day."

- Gustav Meyrink, in his 1915 novel *The Golem*

The golem – an artificial person created by mystical and magical means – has taken many different forms throughout Jewish history. In the coming year, we'll explore together the earliest recorded citings/sightings of the golem, and how the legend(s) evolved right up into the 20th century. We'll consider how the golem has served as an ever-changing metaphor for the most pressing issues of each generation. And because the Rabbis of old *believed* the golem existed – whether it actually did or not – they asked halachic/Jewish legal questions that now provide us with a Jewish perspective on today's and tomorrow's headlines, as we stand on the verge of possibly creating the first-ever actual golems in the history of the world.

Sundays at 10:00 – 11:00 AM

In-Person in the CBJ Library (and via Zoom)

1. October 22: **Legendary Beginnings – The Early History of the Golem**
2. November 12: **Don't Try This At Home – Recipes for Making a Golem**
3. December 10: **How Did the Golem Find Its Way to Prague?**
4. January 7: **Does a Golem Count in a Minyan? – The Golem in *Halacha*/Jewish Law**
5. February 4: **The Golem Comes to Israel**
6. March 10: **Starring & Supporting Roles – The Golem in Movies, TV Shows & Novels**
7. April 14: **Building Golems Today, Part 1 – Getting Real about 'Artificial Persons'**
8. May 5: **Building Golems Today, Part 2 – Getting Real about Artificial Intelligence**

CBJ Goes to New York City

Join us on Sunday, October 29, 2023, for a day in NYC via



The bus will leave from Congregation B'nai Jacob,
Starr & Manavon Sts, Phoenixville, PA at 10 a.m.
Return trip to CBJ will leave NYC at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Drop off and pick up in NYC will be at the Marriott Marquis
535 Broadway (between 45th and 46th Streets)

While in New York, you may:

- *Take in a show (pre-purchase your tickets on your own
or see what TKTS in Times Square has to offer)*
- *Head for a museum*
- *Go shopping*
- *Meet up with friends and family*
- *Dine at your choice of restaurant*

Go With Us will provide water, juice, and breakfast snacks on the way to New
York, and water, soft drinks, and packaged snacks on the way home.
Coffee and tea are BYO.

Cost (excluding tips) is \$85 per person

Reservations and pre-payment are required

RSVP to admin@congbj.org by October 10th

Make checks payable to Congregation B'nai Jacob and mail to:

101 Manavon St., Phoenixville, PA 19460

Tickets are limited, so reserve early.

All Are Welcome – Tell Your Friends!

Congregation B'nai Jacob University Presents:

October 29, 2023

In-Person

10:00 AM



Personal Finance 101 Dr. Jonathan Lemco



Dr. Jonathan Lemco, recently retired from Vanguard and longtime member of CBJ, has written or edited eleven books and many articles on sovereign risk, comparative public policy and international economics. At Vanguard, Dr. Lemco managed the Emerging Markets Investment Team. He also spent four years as a professor at The Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies.

"Personal Finance 101" will cover such topics as the difference between stocks and bonds, indexed vs. actively managed mutual funds, and how the broad economy might affect the markets. Participants will not get any personal financial advice, but questions can be sent ahead of time so that the conversation is tailored to the particular interests of the audience. Send your questions to: Jonathan Lemco <jmlemco@gmail.com>.

RSVP to the Synagogue Office admin@congbj.org or 610-933-5550

Congregation B'nai Jacob
Starr and Manavon Streets
Phoenixville PA



Our goal is to offer rich lifelong learning experiences to all within CBJ and the greater community through programs informed by Jewish values and presented in an atmosphere of fairness, balance, and respect.

CBJ Wine Tasting Fundraiser

- Date:** Saturday Evening, November 11th at 7:00 pm
- Location:** Dr. Joel and Judy Eisner's lovely home on Creek Rd.
(just minutes from CBJ)
- Cost:** \$60 per person - This event is open to adult members, friends, and families.
- Registration:** Call the CBJ office at 610-933-5550 or go to the CBJ website to register/pay by Credit Card – www.congbj.org

Please join us for a fun evening of wine tasting. The tasting will be led by Moore Brothers Wine Company. We will be tasting 5 wines, including one or two that might elevate your Thanksgiving and/or New Year's festivities.

Our evening will begin at 7:00 pm and will include a Kosher style cold buffet dinner. Come and enjoy an evening of fun, wine tasting and education, good food, and socialization.



About Moore Brothers Wine Company

Moore Brothers Wine Company is unique. In 1996, Greg Moore, Sommelier and General Manager of the renowned Le Bec-Fin, and his brother David, a prominent wine retailer, created a wine store that reimagined the retail wine experience.

They represent the work of winegrowers committed to sustainable farming, small production, and the traditions of their respective regions. Many of the producers they represent are considered among the finest in the world. Through personal relationships with these small wineries, the wines come directly from the cellars under perfect temperature controlled systems.



DONATIONS

Capital Fund

Deb Marotta in memory of her beloved father, Frank Wiener

Congregation B'nai Jacob

Mitchel Kling and Carol Actor and Family in memory of Amy Siegel's mother, Sally Siegel

The Rosenfeld Family in memory of Amy Siegel's mother, Sally Siegel

The Druckers in memory of Amy Siegel's mother, Sally Siegel

Ellie Cantor in memory of Amy Siegel's mother, Sally Siegel

Ellie Cantor in memory of Jerry Weiss's sister, Helen Spector

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Hal Katz in memory of Amy Siegel's mother, Sally Siegel

Carol Actor and Mitchel Kling in memory of beloved sister of Jerry Weiss, Helen Spector

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High Holiday Prayer Book

Shirley Neumann and Family in memory of Amy Siegel's mother, Sally Siegel

Shirley Neumann and Family in memory of Jerry Weiss's sister, Helen Spector

Kiddush Wine

Le Illouy Nishmat Rahel Harbon bat Allegrah Simhon remembered by Mony and Freda Harbon

Liss Scholarship Fund

Ruthe Actor and Family in memory of Amy Siegel's mother, Sally Siegel

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Shelley Rappaport in memory of Amy Siegel's beloved mother, Sally Siegel

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Linda and Michael Salsburg in memory of Linda's beloved mother, Doris Burg

Ken Kulick in memory of beloved father, Sydney Kulick

Sisterhood Fund

Lori and Mark Snow in memory of Amy Siegel's beloved mother, Sally Siegel



OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS



Birthday Wishes

4	Aria Starr O'Brien	16	Harold Katz
5	Joan Rofsky	16	Kenneth Kulick
5	Dana Steinberg	16	Donna Friedman
6	Yetty Uscher	17	Jerry Weiss
8	Brittany Schultz	19	Aaron Yeiser
9	Lisa Anton	19	Genny Stone
10	Lily Groves	20	Judy Eisner
11	Anna Stone	21	Steve Liebers
14	Matthew Motzer	22	Isaiah Starr O'Brien
15	Jonathan Rosenfeld	22	Drew Kane
15	Mason Loux	29	Anne Schiffman



1	Rachel & Michael Kane
3	Lorraine & Stephen Schur
6	Edwina & Jay Valenci
27	Naomi Muhlberg & Paul Richman

OCTOBER YAHRZEIT

<u>October</u>	<u>Hebrew Month</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Honoree</u>
1	TISHRI	16	Ruth Zezulinski
1	TISHRI	16	Leah May Foller
3	TISHRI	18	Sally Wrubel
3	TISHRI	18	David Solomon
4	TISHRI	19	Jacob Zatuchni
6	TISHRI	21	Ida Miller
7	TISHRI	22	Max Raubfogel
7	TISHRI	22	Jules I Whitman
8	TISHRI	23	Rachel Hannah Siegel
8	TISHRI	23	Clara Katz
10	TISHRI	25	Robert Garber
10	TISHRI	25	Joseph Lovinger
10	TISHRI	25	Louis Woolf
12	TISHRI	27	Beatrice Glosser
12	TISHRI	27	Samuel Blank
13	TISHRI	28	Mary Farkas
15	TISHRI	30	Jean Ethal Perry
16	CHESHVAN	1	Ida Sugarman
17	CHESHVAN	2	David Goldman
17	CHESHVAN	2	Elliott Real
19	CHESHVAN	4	Louis Foreman
19	CHESHVAN	4	Kopel Hoenig
20	CHESHVAN	5	Helen Hamman
20	CHESHVAN	5	Norman Trachtenberg
21	CHESHVAN	6	Marlene Tucker
21	CHESHVAN	6	Isidor Mishkin
21	CHESHVAN	6	Paul Actor
22	CHESHVAN	7	Anna Weisberg
23	CHESHVAN	8	Samuel Kornblum
23	CHESHVAN	8	Albert Actor
24	CHESHVAN	9	Esther Sealfon
25	CHESHVAN	10	Gladys Etter
25	CHESHVAN	10	Esther Blank
26	CHESHVAN	11	David Salsburg
27	CHESHVAN	12	Stanton Cooper
28	CHESHVAN	13	Anna Weiss
29	CHESHVAN	14	Daniel Salsberg
29	CHESHVAN	14	Louis Bernard Eisenberg
30	CHESHVAN	15	Benjamin Margolis
30	CHESHVAN	15	Suzanne Pauline Weller
31	CHESHVAN	16	Miriam Kornblum
31	CHESHVAN	16	Benjamin Kulick

THE TREE OF LIFE

In Judaism, the "Tree of Life" often symbolizes the wisdom of the Torah. In Proverbs it says: "Its ways are ways of pleasantness, and all its paths are peace. It is a tree of life for those who grasp it, and those who draw near it are fortunate." Laws and customs connected with trees permeate the Bible and Talmud, providing an ethical basis underlying human relationships (tithing and charity) and the environment (ecology).

We have a beautiful Tree of life sculpture as you enter our main lobby on the right hand wall. Stop a minute next time you are in the building and look at the names and memories permanently ensconced there- most are happy memories- milestone events like b'nai mitzvahs, marriages and appreciations for life-long friends.

You will see momentous occasions like 25th and 50th wedding anniversaries and 80th or "special" birthdays commemorated on the tree. Other leaves document continuity celebrations for our congregation like births of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Testimonials of generous service to our congregation and other individuals are written in its' boughs.

It tells a story of a community- our community- one we can celebrate and continue to tell going forward.

This is a great time to purchase one and add to our legacy. Let this Tree of Life bring our congregation both physical and spiritual sustenance for the years to come.

To purchase a leaf, contact Carol Actor (cffactor@verizon.net). Leaves are \$150 each.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 16 tishri 9:30 am Sukkot Day 3 Service NO Religious School	2 17 tishri	3 18 tishri Fundraiser: Dine & Donate @ Vecchia in Phoenixville (restaurant hrs 5-8:30 pm)	4 19 tishri Time TBD Sisterhood Sukkah Nosh & Re-gifting Bingo	5 20 tishri	6 21 tishri 7:30 pm Erev Shemini Atzeret/Shabbat Service	7 22 tishri 9:30 am Shemini Atzeret/Yizkor 6:30 pm Erev Simchat Torah Service/Celebration
8 23 tishri 9:30 am Simchat Torah Service NO Religious School	9 24 tishri INTERMEDIATE DAY	10 25 tishri INTERMEDIATE DAY	11 26 tishri INTERMEDIATE DAY Executive Committee/then 7:15 pm Minyan, followed by Board Meeting	12 27 tishri INTERMEDIATE DAY	13 28 tishri 9:30 pm Community Shabbat - Potluck Shabbat Dinner with Family Friendly Service	14 29 tishri 9:30 am Service YIZKOR SHEMINI ATZERET
15 30 tishri 10:30 am-Tikkun Olam/Social Action/ JRA/CBJ/PACS Food Distribution Pick Up	16 1 cheshvan CANADIAN THANKSGIVING COLUMBUS DAY INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY	17 2 cheshvan	18 3 cheshvan	19 4 cheshvan	20 5 cheshvan 7:30 pm Service Birthday/Arniv Shabbat w/ Ice Cream Sundae Oneg	21 6 cheshvan 9:30 am Service Breakfast
22 7 cheshvan 10:00 am Rabbi Sultar's Adult Ed Class	23 8 cheshvan ROSH CHODESH	24 9 cheshvan	25 10 cheshvan	26 11 cheshvan	27 12 cheshvan 7:30 pm Service Samartha Sigafoos Bat Mitzvah Kabbalat Shabbat	28 13 cheshvan 9:30 am Service Samartha Sigafoos Bat Mitzvah Nosch
29 14 cheshvan NYC Bus Trip (All Day) 10:00 am CBJ U: Dr. Jonathan Lemcoo Event Topic: Personal Finance 101	30 15 cheshvan	31 16 cheshvan				Lech Lecha NOVEMBER S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

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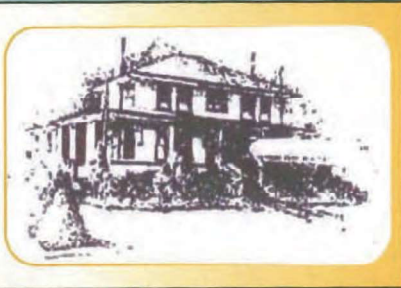
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