

Coming Up in March and April...

Passover Closings:

Monday, April 18 @ 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday-Wednesday, April 19-20 Closed

Monday-Tuesday, April 25-26 Closed

March

Wednesday, March 2 @ 9:45 a.m.

Men's Club: The History of Paper, a Journey of 2000 Years

Presented by Dr. Gunther Lorenz. Sponsored by the Men's Club. Open meeting.

Monday, March 7 @ 12:30 p.m.

"Tickling Leo"

Inspired by a true World War II event, this film explores a cross-generational New York Jewish family dealing with its Holocaust past. It's a family effort by Writer/Director Jeremy Davidson, his wife Mary Stuart Masterson, her brother Peter and their long time collaborator Steven Weisman. \$5 donation.

Wednesday, March 9 @ 9:45 a.m.

Men's Club: Building Your Own Health Care Team

Presented by the Medical Rights Center. Learn why you will need a team to help coordinate your care, who should be on your team, and what they can do when help is needed.

Monday, March 14 @ 10:30 a.m.

The Secrets in Magic

Professional magician, David Fletcher is back by popular demand to fascinate attendees with his magic tricks and by revealing some trade secrets. Sponsored by the Ruth L. & Henry H. Renard Active Retirement Lecture Series.

Wednesday, March 16 @ 9:45 a.m.

Men's Club: Medical and Dental Tourism

Travel to Israel, presented by Chai Medical Tourism. An informative session on medical treatment in Israel that offers top physicians and excellent hospitals at great savings.

Tuesday, March 22 @ 7:00 p.m.

Camp Open House

Parents of children ages 2-13 are invited to meet the directors, ask questions and enjoy an overview of the programs.

Calling all Camp Counselors!

The JCC on the Hudson is currently seeking camp counselors. If you're 16 or older, contact us now at 366.7898. Interviews will begin on March 22, from 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 23 @ 9:45 a.m.

Men's Club: The Tarrytown Fire Department

Representatives from the local company will explain how they work and offer attendees a host of safety tips.

Thursday, March 24 @ 7:30 p.m.

Voices and Choices: It's Tough to be a Teen

A joint program of the JCC on the Hudson's Partners in Caring, Westchester Jewish Community Services, B'nai Brith Youth Organization, Westchester Jewish Council, the Greenburgh Hebrew Center, Temple Beth Abraham, Woodlands Community Temple and the UJA-Federation of New York, that addresses the critical issue of the stresses facing teens today. Professionals will discuss bullying, grades, self image, stress management and what parents can do to help. You also will hear from a physician about what they are discovering to be the latest threat to these youngsters. Parents and teens welcome.

For additional information, contact Stefani Cohen at 366.7898.

April

Monday, April 4 @ 10:30 a.m.

Bioethics

An examination of technology's application in health care and other issues, such as the question of whether the time has come for mandated rationing of healthcare? If so, who will make those decisions? Who determines the criteria? Are there slippery slopes?

Presented by Mary Lou Dillon, who completed The Certificate Program in Bioethics and the Medical Humanities at Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons and the Einstein College of Medicine.

Wednesday, April 6 @ 9:45 a.m.

Men's Club: Who Pays for Home Health Care?

Presented by the Medical Rights Center. Discussion of your costs after the Medicare payments for a hospital stay end.

Sunday, April 10 @ noon

Open House for Country Day Camp and Camp BaShemesh

Visit the Henry Kaufmann Campgrounds in Pearl River. Contact Stacy @ 366.7898 x 103 for directions.

Monday, April 11 @ 10:30

Organ Donation or Sale?

Mary Lou Dillon returns to discuss the issue of the supply and demand of human organs and other body parts and addresses the concept of organs and body parts as a function of commerce in a regulated marketplace.

Sunday, March 20 @ 2:00 p.m.

Purim Carnival

Enjoy rides and refreshments and take part in fun activities and a costume parade. Volunteers and sponsors needed! Contact Lisa Feinman @ 366.7898 or visit us on FB (Facebook/jcontheudson).

Wednesday, March 2 @ 12:30-2P.M.,

Current Events Forum, led by moderator, George Kraus. Weekly commentary on everything. \$5 donation.

On the Drawing Board:

Visit our Web site for information and fees for the following programs:

Mah Jongg, or as we refer to it, "J Jongg".

Schmoozes and Groups with Rabbi Adrian Strizhak.

PALs trips: The Cloisters, Noguchi Museum

Program Information

On Demand!

For a comprehensive listing of our programs and services, visit jcontheudson.org or call 914.366.7898.



Stress, Stress and More Stress

Discussions of the stressors facing our teens and the issues found in our schools today.

On Thursday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m., the Voices and Choices program, a community service by a collaborative group of Jewish agencies, will present a panel discussion for teens and parents that will address the issue of how tough it is to be a teen. Grades, bullies, dating, self image and the latest threat on the street, prescription drugs, will be covered in an engaging discussion led by a team of professionals.

On Thursday, March 31 at 7:30 p.m., as a follow up to Voices and Choices, the JCC will present a screening of *Race to Nowhere*, a documentary that represents the centerpiece of a national call to mobilize families, educators and policy makers to challenge current assumptions on how best to prepare the youth of America to become healthy, bright, contributing and leading citizens.



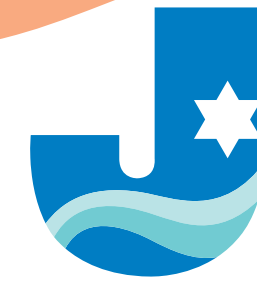
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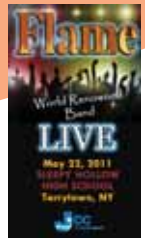
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March-April 2011

Currents

Hitting the Right Note: JCC's School of Music and Performing Arts



Maestro Jeffrey Szabo in a proud moment with Julia Friedman, one of his many students at the JCC School of Music and Performing Arts.

When Mr. and Mrs. Szabo, a violinist and pianist, respectively, were looking for a cellist to round out their trio, they had to look no further than their living room. Jeffrey Szabo, their talented young son, was perfect for the gig. So began Jeffrey Szabo's illustrious career in music.

The Szabo trio played many concerts throughout Ohio, giving him exposure. "Performing chamber music with my parents really laid the foundation that would prepare me for my solo career in New York City, where the competition was stiff and as many as 20-30 musicians vied for those revered jobs "in the pit," said Jeffrey Szabo.

Jeff's early work and absolute love of the cello paid off. He counts among his Broadway credits Phantom, Les Mis, Miss Saigon and Guys and Dolls. He's also recorded with artists as diverse as Liza Minelli, Aerosmith, Tom Harrell and Itzak Perleman. And there's more: Jeff has performed with the American Symphony, the Orchestra of St. Luke's and the New Jersey Philharmonic.

During the summer season, this busy New York freelancer serves on the faculty and plays with the Symphony Orchestra at the Chautauqua Music Festival. The recipient of numerous awards, including Distinguished String Award at Interlochen, he received his BA from the Oberlin

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Shalom from the Corner Office



Every day, the vision for our new JCC is being shared with more and more people in

our community. The project, which encompasses multilevel planning, fund-raising and community involvement, continues to move forward. To date, we have raised \$4,429,000 towards our goal of \$7 million.

On January 24, the JCC made its initial presentation to the Village of Tarrytown Planning Board. The Capital Campaign Committee established a timeline that includes a series of campaign events supplemented by two new initiatives that will reinforce the campaign's goal of providing a pathway for every level of giving.

The first, *Generation to Generation*, seeks to engage different generations in lending their support for the development of the JCC's new Children's Education Center, which will house our Early Childhood Program, after-

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Conservatory and went on to complete a Master's Degree at Stony Brook, where he studied under Bernard Greenhouse.

But Jeff is only part of the ensemble at the JCC's School of Music and Performing Arts, where he is one of the nine accomplished performers that comprise the impressive faculty. With a combined 100 years of experience, they count among the venues at which they have played, Lincoln Center, Carnegie Hall and Merkin Hall. They have performed across Europe and South America, appearing on recordings and in solo recitals and giving master classes. A highly talented troupe led by Marianna Udler, an accomplished pianist, they

"Our daughter is very lucky to be able to study with Jeff. His warmth, patience and kindness combined with a great musical sensitivity, skill and enthusiasm make him a wonderful cello teacher"

Dr. Maria Roglieri
PROFESSOR OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES
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Warming up before a performance for family and friends.



are dedicated to music and to teaching music to students of all ages. "Whether they're teaching the piano, violin, cello, guitar, or sax, each of our teachers is committed to guiding our students to achieving their highest potential," explained Marianna Udler. "In fact, a member of the current JCC Board of Governors began studying cello with Jeffrey about five years ago, when he was 82." Not only is music the universal language, it's spoken fluently at the JCC on the Hudson.

For information about the School of Music and Performing Arts at the JCC on Hudson, call 366.7898.

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school care, and services for individuals with special needs.

The second, will honor a select group of families whose donations fall within a certain range, and may be paid out across five years. These gifts will be made to support construction of the new multi-service site which will include a cultural arts center, music school and health and fitness complex.

As you know, the overall goal of the campaign is to build a JCC that not only responds to the needs of the Rivertowns communities, but one that, at its core, is "built by hundreds of friends and neighbors" through their generous donations and their commitment to a shared vision of community.

Our campaign offers a "little piece" of the new JCC to everyone. Your gift will create a legacy honoring a loved one or the memory of loved ones. The new center offers you a chance to build programs and facilities that will grow with your family.

Collective responsibility is a value to be cherished and it is the key to building our JCC. For information on how you can be part of our campaign, contact Frank Hassid at: fhassid@jcconthudson.org.

Frank Hassid, MSW
Executive Director

A History Class at the J

The New Deal was the topic of discussion at a Ruth L. & Henry H. Renard Active Retirement Lecture Series. Richard Garfunkel, who has led many discussions about FDR, is a sponsor of the Jon Breen Public Policy Essay Fund and hosts The Advocates, a program airing on WVOX-AM, a Westchester radio station.



Richard Garfunkel, host of *The Advocates*, is passionate about the topics of FDR and the New Deal.



What's New at the JCC?



Events—Current and Otherwise

Wednesdays starting March 2nd at 12:30 p.m.

Beginning Wednesday, March 2 at 12:30 p.m., you and your friends can enjoy topical discussions, engaging conversations and thought provoking exchanges. The facilitator is George Kraus, a voracious reader, a serious thinker, and talented wordsmith. Bring your ideas. Donation: \$5.00 per person

Sheer Poetry at the J

From **2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, March 27**, the JCC will debut a once-monthly program of poetry readings

offered in cooperation with Toadlily Press. What distinguishes Toadlily from other fine literary presses is its focus on poetry and its pursuit of the highest quality in the crafts of writing and book design. Toadlily Press' books juxtapose multiple voices in dialogue with one another and the reader.

In their books titled *The Quartet Series*, Toadlily presents four poets emerging, rediscovered, or celebrated and each represented by a chapbook, in one handsome, perfect-bound volume. Poets will be reading original works. Next dates are Sundays, April 24 and May 22. For additional information, contact George Kraus or Lois Green at 366.7898.



Save the Date!

Sunday, May 15 & June 5 @ noon.

Summer Camp Open House

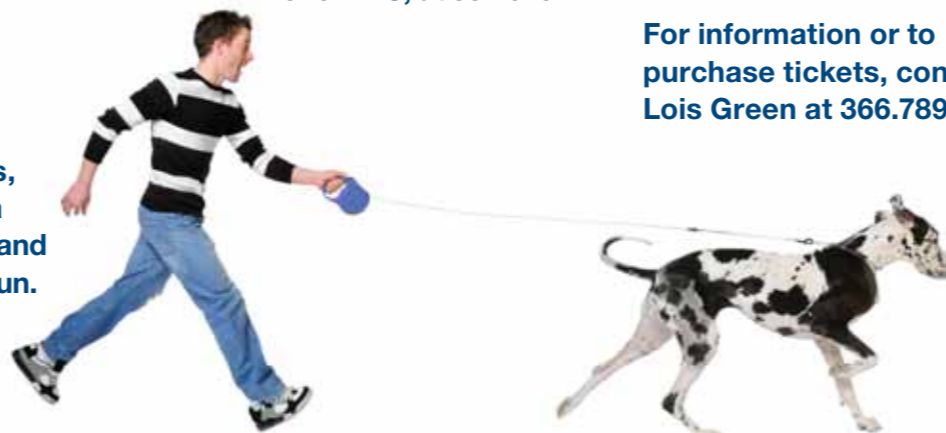
Contact Stacy @ 633.7898 for directions and information.



Sunday, May 15 @ 2:00 p.m.

JCC's First Mutt Strut!

Parade your favorite canine friend, watch demonstrations by professional trainers, bring donations for a local pet food pantry and much more outdoor fun. Volunteers needed. Call Stefani Cohen at 366.7898.



Sunday, May 22 @ 2:00 p.m.

Flame

The music gets hot, hot, hot when FLAME performs a concert at Sleepy Hollow High School to benefit JCC's Special Needs Program and Project Y.O.U..

They've played at the Apollo Theatre and soon they'll be coming to the stage in Westchester. Tickets on sale now! Contact Mindy Cohen, JCC on the Hudson, at 366.7898 or Kim Kaczmarek, Sleepy Hollow HS, at 332.6292.



Monday, July 11

Annual Golf & Tennis Tournament

At Elmwood Country Club. Fancy a spa day? Just want to lounge around the pool? Maybe you want to compete in a putting contest or shop a silent auction. You can do all that and more at our singular event of the season.

For information or to purchase tickets, contact Lois Green at 366.7898.

In and Around the J Community



It's easy to have fun in the snow, just ask these kids how!

Enough Already!

or Let it Snow: Depends on Who You Ask

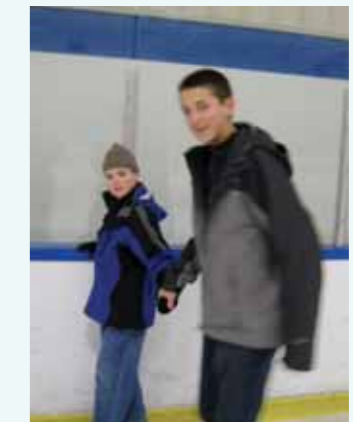
For those of us who had to endure hour after hour of shoveling or mile after mile of slick road surface, the answer was a resounding *enough already!* Although horrendous weather conditions this winter caused us to close or operate under an abbreviated schedule to ensure everyone's safety, the youngest members of the JCC simply couldn't get enough of the white stuff. When all you need is the right gear and plenty of time to play, snow can be awesome.



The Early Childhood Program at the J can bring out the little Van Gogh in all of us.

It's Great to be Three at the J

On any given day, the J's Early Childhood Program, which offers young children socialization and fosters cooperative play skills through an emergent curriculum, is bustling with three-year olds having fun and making friends. Throughout their session, the children rotate among different centers that include art, building blocks and other manipulative and sensory tools, dramatic play, and cooking. Of course, the day wouldn't be complete without a trip to the book corner. Yup. It's great to be three at the J.

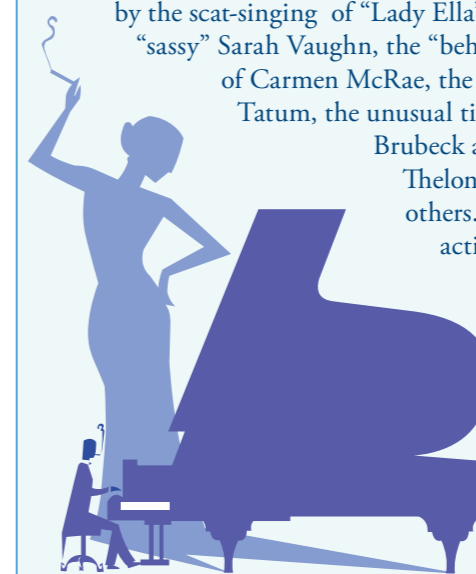


This winter, our mini camps spent a cool day on the ice at one of the local rinks.

All That Jazz

at the Ruth L. & Henry H. Renard Active Retirement Lecture Series

Jazz and performance styles were the topics of a lively two-part lecture series at the J. Attendees were captivated by the scat-singing of "Lady Ella" (Ella Fitzgerald), the "sassy" Sarah Vaughn, the "behind-the-beat phrasing" of Carmen McRae, the perfect pitch of Art Tatum, the unusual time signatures of Dave Brubeck and the idiosyncrasies of Theloneous Monk, among others. An ongoing program for active retirees, the lecture series meets Mondays at 10:30 a.m.



Skating Away: Sports is an Integral Part of Life at the J

Spring, summer, winter, fall, when schools are closed, mini-camps at the JCC make sure young students—both typical and those with special needs—in the Rivertowns community are on the go and engaged in fun, safe activities.

Who Says Learning a Second Language Gets Harder?

In fact, it's downright fun at the J. Join a lively group of students who are learning Yiddish on Tuesdays at noon. Contact Lois Green @ 366.7898 for information and fees.

