

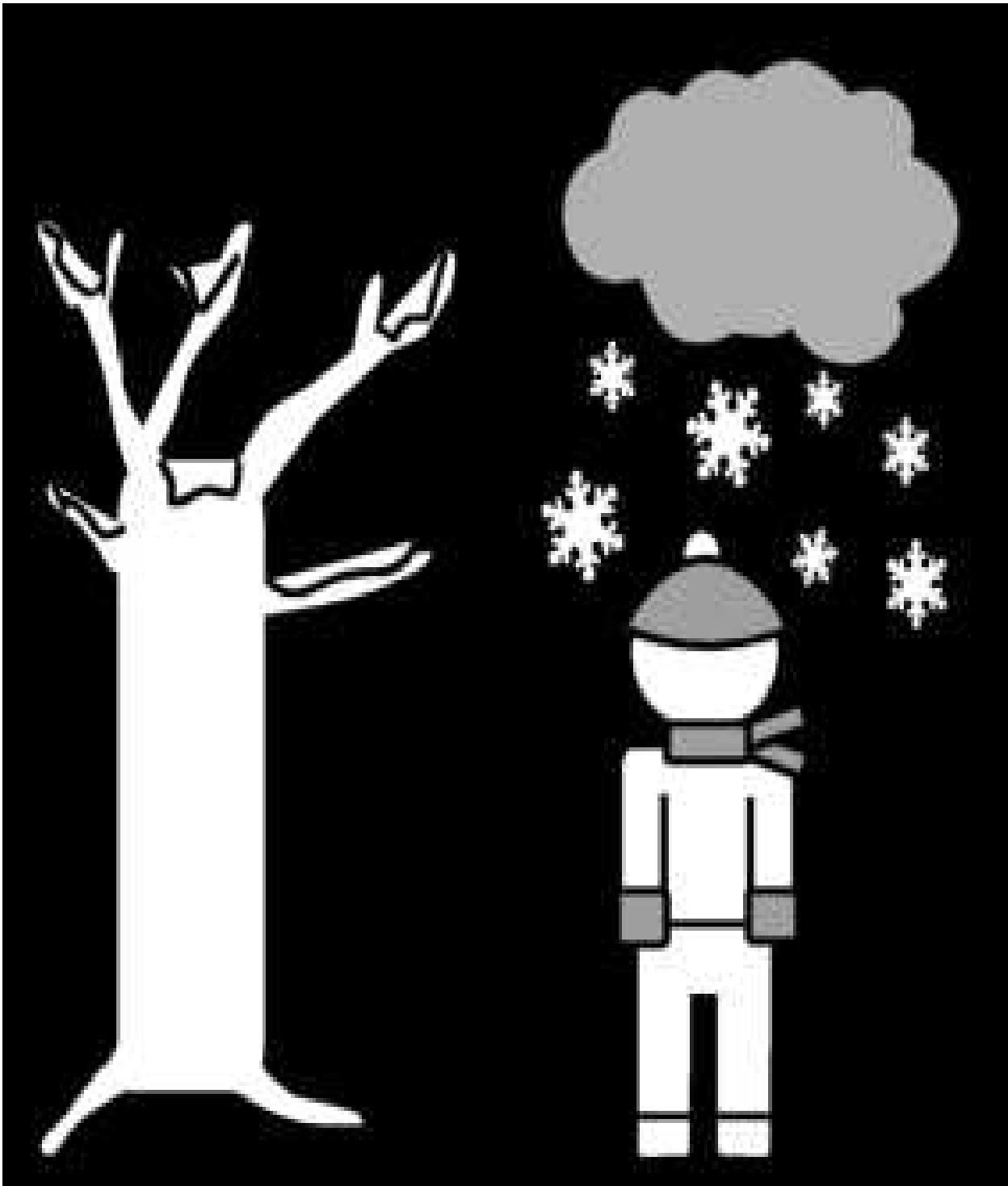
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SHABBAT 9:30 AM
SHABBAT MINCHA After MORNING SERVICE & KIDDUSH

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**Note: The Fair Lawn Jewish Center shares minyan services
with Temple Beth Sholom. Please check the FJLC/CBI
website or the weekly *Insider* for minyan locations.**

CANDLELIGHTING

JANUARY 3
JANUARY 10
JANUARY 17
JANUARY 24
JANUARY 31



4:22 PM
4:29 PM
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**COMING UP IN JANUARY
*Member Only Event**

- 1 SECULAR NEW YEAR'S DAY—OFFICE CLOSED
- 5 UNDERSTANDING THE SIDDUR
- 7 NOSH & KNOWLEDGE WITH RABBI ROTH
- 7 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
- 7 MPC BOARD MEETING
- 9 SISTERHOOD BOARD MEETING
- 11 KADIMA MOVIE NIGHT @ TEMPLE ISRAEL
- 12 MPC BIG BREAKFAST*
- 13 SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE MEETING
- 14 NOSH & KNOWLEDGE WITH RABBI ROTH
- 15 BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
- 19 BACK TO SCHOOL BREAKFAST
- 19 SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB - *THOSE WHO SAVE US*
- 20 MLK DAY—OFFICE CLOSED
- 21 NOSH & KNOWLEDGE WITH RABBI ROTH
- 23 ADULT EDUCATION
- 24 DAVEN & DESSERTS*
- 26 TOT CLASS WITH RABBI SHARGEL
- 27 BEN NELSON BOOK CLUB
- 28 NOSH & KNOWLEDGE WITH RABBI ROTH

**Note: Always check the weekly *Insider* or the FJLC/CBI
website for updates and/or changes to these events.**

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WE NOTE WITH SORROW THE PASSING OF

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RABBINIC REFLECTIONS

Rabbi Dina Shargel

King David and the Spider

When I was a child, I loved reading the legends of Kings David and Solomon. In one of my favorites, David sees a spider spinning a web, and looks at it scornfully. He says to God: "Now here is a creature that is utterly useless. Why did you create it? What could You have been thinking?" God tells King David he will someday discover its value for himself.

When David was a youth, King Saul was extremely fond of him, and took him under his wing. Later, Saul becomes paranoid and turns on David. David has to run for his life! One day, David is hiding out in a cave, when King Saul and his attendants stop close by, unaware that David is inside. While the men are talking, a spider quickly and quietly spins a web over the entrance. The King's men are just about to go in to search for David, when one of them notices the large, unbroken web. The search party concludes that the cave must be deserted, and so they move on. At that moment, David recalls the flippant attitude he had taken toward a creature that seemed totally insignificant. Turning to God, David offers thanks and praise for the wondrous spider. The little creature saved his life.

A passage in the Talmud spells out a moral to the tale:

Even those creatures that seem to you to be superfluous, such as flies, fleas or gnats - they too are part of the entirety of

Creation. Indeed, the Holy One effects the Divine purpose through all creatures, even through a snake, a flea or a frog.

Now, revisiting the story as an adult, I see two additional messages embedded in the parable.

The first message: In the story, David deems the spider "worthy" only after it saves his life. But in modern times, science ought to make us aware that the earth and all its inhabitants are worthy of our respect for reasons that extend beyond their utilitarian value to us. Our Jewish tradition enriches that perspective with a spiritual outlook, teaching that they are all part of God's world, and as such are inherently holy.

The second message: Human beings, of all the creatures on earth, have the gift of self-awareness. Yet there are many things we do not know, and we must be careful not to make too many assumptions. It is impossible to know the true worth of a creature (even one of our own species!) at first glance. Even those we may have dismissed as unworthy or superfluous may turn out to have something to teach us.

Under the surface of the story is a reminder of the value of humility.



PRESIDENTIAL PONDERING

Leonard Kaufmann

Although during the High Holidays we may resolve to live a better life during the coming Jewish year, I suspect that a fair amount of us also make “resolutions” on or around January 1. Often these are secular - lose weight, work harder, spend time with the family, etc.

But, recently I paused for a moment to reflect on what 2020 might bring for the Fair Lawn Jewish Center / Congregation B’nai Israel, and what some of my resolutions, as your President, might be. Please allow me to share them with you:

I resolve to publicize the tzedakah that we do as a synagogue -- like the work of the Social Action Committee, and the Chesed projects for our B’nai Mitzvah children. After all, isn’t that what a schul is really all about?

I resolve to tell people about the *ruach* emanating from our Religious School – how involved the committee members, parents and staff are.

I resolve to work to reduce our budget deficit through decreasing expenditures, and increasing funds raised.

I resolve to thank our officers and Board members for their hard work and good counsel.

I resolve to continue to strive to get more members involved. Won’t you help me in this effort by volunteering?

I resolve to try and come to more minya-

him, and to volunteer to read Torah and Haftorah more. Won’t you join me? If you can read a Haftorah, let us know, and please come to our minyan!

I resolve to skip a meeting or two where my attendance is not essential, and spend time with my family.

I resolve to listen to our members, to try to understand your views.

I resolve to continue rooting for the Mets and Saints, come what may. (All right, not FLJC related, but what the heck!)

I resolve to try and get my columns in on time, in order to make Norma’s life a little easier.

I resolve to continue to view the FLJC / CBI as a most precious jewel, and to recognize the many facets that make it shine.

I’m sure there are more, but that’s a start!

As I review this list, it occurs to me that many of these resolutions need not be limited to the President. I suspect that each of us could make, and fulfill, most of the above, thereby improving our schul. Please join me, as you have done so wonderfully in the past.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Abe Adler



We all know the many ways technology has changed the way we communicate, both for the good and the bad. I myself am guilty of the above; I also think my wife enjoys being Judge and Jury, which has the benefit of taking a few moments of her time away from cyber-shopping; but perhaps I should get back to my topic!

The best part about working at the Fair Lawn Jewish Center is interacting with terrific people. I want to share a few communication rules of the road that I learned over time – some you probably already know, but periodic review is always beneficial!

1- We should ensure that our emails convey our intended tone.

2- For complex topics, feedback, idea generation and planning, a phone call or face-to-face meeting is a better communication mode than email.

3- If an email chain goes back and forth three times between two parties, it's usually time to move to a phone call or face-to-face meeting.

4- Building relationships and buy-in for ideas is better with a face-to-face meeting.

5- No email or phone call will provide a window to see the other person's facial expression and body language; these are key to assessing the emotions behind the other party, and critical for important discussions.

6- In most scenarios, if you have a concern with an individual, talk to the individual directly, face to face, and work out your issues directly. Discussing your concern with a third person is usually not the way to go.

7- Does every person on your cc list need to be included?

8- Does your message need an immediate response? Is it time critical? If so, a phone call is appropriate.

9- Event-planning discussions are best done face to face, and WELL in advance of the event, when there are no time pressures that can narrow options and stifle creativity.

In short, the Office is eager and excited to discuss any and all topics and events. The cartoon above is the trap we want to avoid. Our goal is to provide the community with high-quality customer service. Set up time to meet with us, so we can best understand your needs, and best convey our ideas to help you.

Stay warm during January!

Abe

Fair Lawn Jewish Center / Congregation B'nai Israel

Daven & Desserts

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our new members to our
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Craig Mont

TEVET

Tevet is the tenth month on the Jewish calendar, its name brought back to Israel by those returning from Babylonian exile. The root of the name may be related to “tava,” – to dip or to sink, Tevet being known as “the muddy month” because of its abundant rainfall. It is referred to in Megillat Esther as “the tenth month, which is the month of Tevet.” It consists of 29 days, though Rosh Chodesh Tevet is sometimes observed one day, and sometimes two days. Its sign of the Zodiac is Capricorn.

On 1 Tevet Yechoniah, King of Judah, was exiled, together with the sages and nobles of Jerusalem.

Three fast days are observed in Tevet, in commemoration of three calamities which befell Israel on the 8th, 9th and 10th of the month.

On 8 Tevet the Torah was translated by 72 Jewish Sages into Greek by the decree of King Ptolemy; the day was regarded as equally calamitous for Israel as the day on which the Golden Calf was made, since it was considered impossible to translate the Torah adequately.

9 Tevet commemorates the deaths of both Ezra the Scribe and Nechemiah, who led Israel during the return from Babylonian captivity.

On 10 Tevet King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylonia laid siege to Jerusalem; the siege lasted three years until the walls were breached on 9 Tamuz in the third year of the siege. This is the only one of the three fast days that is a public fast for the entire community.

Except for the closing days of Chanukah, there are no holidays in Tevet.

Tevet began on December 29 this year, and ends January 26.

Communication Devices

We have purchased walkie talkie radios to facilitate better communication inside and outside our building. Thank you to the Lazerowitz Fund and the Estate of Jerry Okin for funding this acquisition

Change in Security Personnel

Effective in January, we are fully transitioning to a new security company. B-Secure Corporation will provide services on Saturday and Sunday mornings, as well as Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. They come highly recommended, currently providing security for the Jewish Federation and the JCC on the Palisades.

Use of Homeland Security Grant

Over the next couple months you will notice a series of physical improvements, which will further harden our structure. These improvements will make our facility safer for members, employees, guests and tenants.

Park Avenue

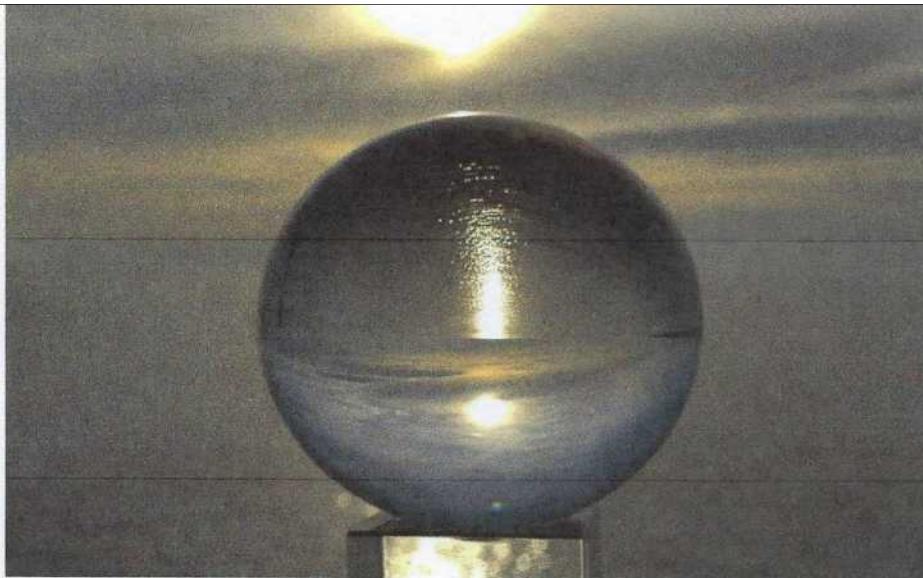
By now I'm sure you have noticed that we have closed off the Park Avenue exit with water-filled barriers. This location had long been used as a cut-through by vehicles speeding through our parking lot.

Darchei Noam

We have established a good working relationship with our Orthodox neighbors, having met to discuss security protocols. We hope to emulate their creation of a group of regular Shabbat attendees for security training. (More to come on this.)

Remember-Security is everyone's business - If you see something, say something.

If you want to join our committee please contact me.



FEBRUARY 1, 2020

SWEET TASTES OF

TORAH

Limping Toward the Promised Land: How the Bible Embraces Those with Special Needs

Join us for the North Jersey Board of Rabbis' annual community-wide evening of study, music, and celebration. Our keynoter, Dr. Ora Horn Prouser, will discuss how when we see biblical characters as relatable individuals, we can apply their experiences as inspiration to overcome our own challenges and embrace our difficulties as opportunities for personal growth.

The keynote is meant to be a conversation starter for our first session discussion groups. These sessions will cover:

- Biblical Personalities and Depression
- Disabilities of the Soul
- Esau and ADHD
- Isaac and Intellectual Disability
- Family Dynamics in Families with a Disabled Member
- Joseph and Giftedness
- Jacob and Mephiboshet
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NOSH & KNOWLEDGE
Tuesdays, 11:30 AM -12:30 PM
Youth Lounge

Engage in challenging discussions as we study the Book of Deuteronomy. All texts are read in English; no prior knowledge is necessary, and each class is independent of the others.

Come for Bible and a bagel.

Upcoming Schedule of Classes:

January 7, 14, 21, 28

February 4, 11, 18, 25

March 3, 10, 17, 21, 31

April 21, 28

May 5, 12, 19, 26

June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

FAMILY MATTERS

MAZEL TOV!

Mazel Tov to **Bena & Steven Weil** on the naming of their new granddaughter, born to their children, Michael and Irina Weil.

Mazel Tov to **Estelle Miller** on the bar and bat mitzvah of her grandchildren, Aaron Russell Schwarz and Faryha Rebecca Schwarz.

WISHES FOR A REFUAH SH'LEMAH TO:

Burnetta Bard, Claudia Caltabiano, Flora Frank, Ari Greenbaum, Rose Lieberman, Jack Miller, Esther Oster, Rabbi Ron Roth, Judith Shain-Alvaro

MAY YOU BE COMFORTED

Condolences to **Robert Berger, Anita Berger-Brunn** and **Monica Moisi** on the passing of their mother, Harriet Berger.

Sympathy to the family of **Sue Adler**.

Condolences to **Dr. Irwin Berger** on the passing of his wife, **Sylvia Berger**.

Sympathy to **Brian and Ann Frisch** on the loss of Brian's mother, Hannah Frisch.

Condolences to **Zahavy Rottenstrich** on the loss of his brother Nachum Rave

ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Charles Cohen

Jewish adult education offers the opportunity to bolster one's Jewish knowledge, and enhance our appreciation of the sacred texts and Rabbinic commentaries.

Words said ... and words unsaid ... ALL MATTER.

Rashi and other Scholars spent a lifetime commenting on the meaning of the texts of Torah verses. And most of their studies were written and published, and are still available for our further study and contemplation today.

Rabbi Roth and the Tuesday 11:30 am Nosh and Knowledge class continue to study and discuss the Torah text and the various interpretations. It can be stimulating and enlightening to delve into these topics. I urge all members who are available during the day to join us in this exploration. It's great fodder for the mind. Like Jewish soul food!

We had our presentation on "The Last Jewish Sanhedrin" which took place in 1807 in Napoleon's France. We had some good discussion, and I think we all learned something about Napoleon's interest in and interaction with Jewish Notables and Rabbis of that era that was not common knowledge. Some issues back then ... like the so-called "dual loyalty" and matters of "Church & State" are still contentious issues even to this day.

If anyone has a Jewish subject and/or historical figure that needs further exploration, let us know.

Happy Learning!

Charlie Cohen



Join The Men's Progress Club For The World Wide Wrap

Take out your Tefillin!

No matter how long it's been since you wrapped yourself with Tefillin or even if you never have.

Participate in this meaningful service,
and have a bagel too.

Super Sunday
(February 2, 2020) 9:30am

Our Hey, Vav and Zion Class will Join us
in The Main Sanctuary.



WORLDWIDEWRAP

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MEN'S PROGRESS CLUB Bob Sokol

This has been a very busy year for the Men's Progress Club.

In December we had a breakfast with David Gotlib, and a presentation from the Fair Lawn Radio Club.

We honored Larry Bach as the Man of The Year with the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs in Springfield, NJ.

We did the Chanukah Candle Wrap and distribution.

In November, we enjoyed the Paid-Up Membership Event with a panel of medical professionals talking about Men's Health. Moderated by Dr. Evan Leibowitz, the panel included Dr. Jerry Stahl, Dr. Mitch Weiser, and Dr. Wayne DeTorres.

We had a great time bowling with the Sisterhood, and hope to do more joint programs in the future.

We had a terrific Poker Tournament.

We completed and distributed the phone directory. Please support the phone directory.

Future Events Include:

The Big Breakfast, January 12th in the Pulka Room.

The Worldwide Wrap with the Religious School.

A Breakfast with Steve Malzberg about sports and politics. Steve is a charismatic speaker.

Once again, I'd like to thank the MPC Board: Especially the hard work of Hal Fine and Joe Schkolnick for programming; Howard Kessel for all the food management; Larry Bach for the phone directory; Sam Wolosin for his financial management; Stuart Alper for his guidance as an ex-president; Neil Garfinkle for taking minutes and the poker tournament. Eric Hirsch for supervising ushering; Seth Seigel-Laddy for the Shofar

Corps; Charlie Cohen for the Chanukah Candles; and Joel Ringer for our delivery management system.

I hope that you join us this year. If you have any questions about the MPC, feel free to contact me at sokolr1@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Bob Sokol





Join the Sisterhood of the

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SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Tikun Olam

Nina Gold Ron

Happy 2020!! By the time you read this, a lot should have recently happened, social action-wise, through the FLJC Social Action Committee.

On November 24, the four older Religious School grades participated in an FLJC **Mitzvah Day**, while the younger students were at the Paramus JCC. We sang Chanukah songs with the Rabbi, in the hopes of singing with the elderly at Daughters of Miriam.

Then, after discussing the importance of Tikkun Olam, we made **fleece blankets** to distribute to children uprooted from their homes and living at the Center for Hope and Safety. It was a great group effort that the children enjoyed, while also really helping others. Thanks again to Neil Garfinkle, the teachers, Beth Perlman, Ilene Laufer and Rich Flanzman for helping.

We will be bringing a meal to the **Center for Hope and Safety** (victims of domestic violence) in January.

The Religious School Vav and Zayin-class students also helped us assemble ~40 ESP -- **Emergency Supply Packages** -- to help seniors who receive Meals on Wheels get through any winter storms. Thanks to all those who contributed, and Ilene Laufer for organizing.

Many toys were delivered to the Bergen County **Chanukah Toy Drive**, and the rest went for distribution to local needy children for Christmas. Thanks to Beth Perlman for organizing!

On December 22, two days before Christmas Eve, we prepared and served **dinner** to ~120 **homeless** individuals at the **Hackensack Shelter**. Thanks to the many volunteers who bought or prepared and served, and to Gail Rottenstrich for organizing! This is a huge and important project, and we couldn't do it without a lot of help!

For those who missed it, we will be doing it again April 26, so let us know if you would like to get

involved.

For Tu B'Shvat, the Vav and Zayin classes will be doing a **craft project** with the guys from the Fair Lawn **J-ADD** (Jewish Association for Developmental Disabilities) group home. Anyone interested in helping, please contact me.

We continue to provide a **Shabbat meal** for those who have been hospitalized (thanks, Sisterhood, for subsidizing!) and spend time with **homeless families** on Sundays, through **Family Promise**. Please contact Sarit if you would like to help. It's easy, only takes two hours of your time, and allows homeless families with children, who otherwise would have nowhere to be, to stay at the Family Center in a church in Ridgewood. You can bring your child, a friend or your parent!

As always, we welcome your ideas and participation.

Our meetings are usually the second Monday night of the month, and all are welcome!

Sincerely,

Nina Gold Ron



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**HOWARD & JOSHUA HERMAN
EDUCATION CENTER**
Neil Garfinkle

Happy New Year! I hope you had a fantastic, restful break. Now let's get back to work!

Before looking forward to an exciting beginning of 2020, we are looking back at a successful ending to 2019.

We challenged our students to better their attendance from our first Junior Congregation in November, and they did, with more than TWENTY students participating in our Junior Congregation on Saturday, December 14th. How wonderful were our 3rd graders singing Ein Keiloheinu? Let's keep it going!

On the next day, we celebrated Hannukah by participating in our congregation's Hannukah Haggigah. We ate latkes, spun dreidels, and sang Hannukah songs with Rabbi Shargel.

This month, we look forward to:

- * Members of the Men's Progress Club teaching our students about Tfillin in preparation for the World Wide Wrap,
- * Open houses (led by me!), and
- * The return of Sacred Hoops! (Hey, that's led by me too!)

I would like to close my article this month by giving thanks to the many who support our work up here, and help us be successful in all we do:

- * The entire Walker family for their donation of books to the Religious School.
- * Beth Perlman, for stepping in for Morah Deb and teaching the 7th graders
- * The Social Action Committee for leading Mitzvah Day
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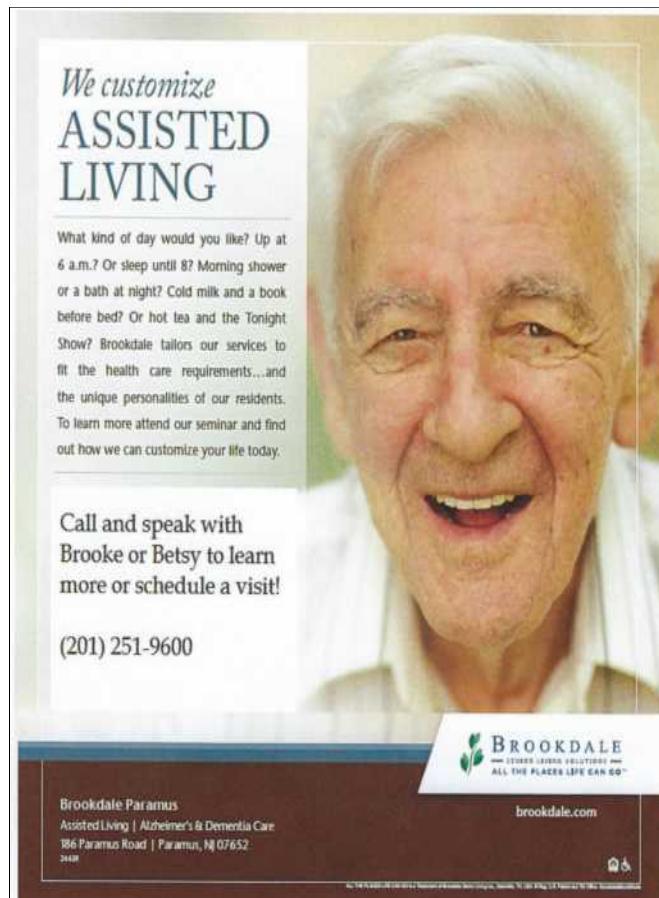
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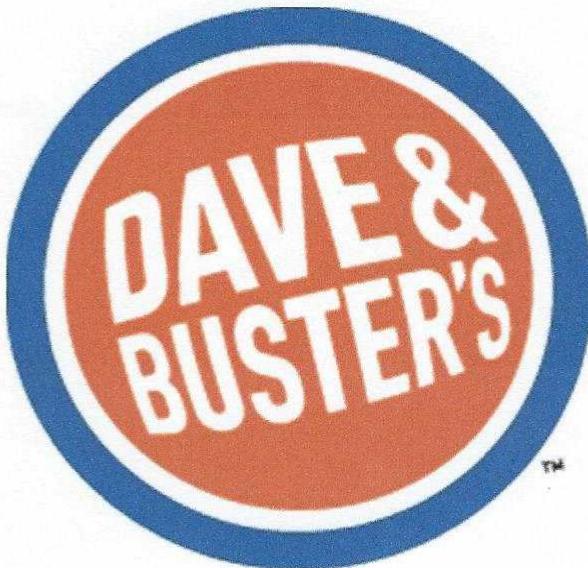
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