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JCC PURIM CARNIVAL SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 1-4 P.M.

Join us for this fun family event! Great activities for kids of all ages...toddlers, school age kids and tweens! DJ Sean, rocky mountain climber, inflatables and rides, pony rides, vendors, games, prizes, food, face painting, costume parade, special appearance by Sparkee, **NEW** in 2012, The Rutgers Scarlet Knight ... and tons of fun!

Entrance fee: \$4/child or \$3/child with a non-perishable food donation to benefit a local food bank. Adults are free. Tickets on sale for games.

Volunteers needed...call Paige x207. Additional parking & free shuttle bus at 685 Route 202/206...right around the corner from the JCC.

ANNUAL COMEDY NIGHT SATURDAY, MARCH 10

Enjoy a great evening of comedy
right here at the JCC!

Join us for our 12th Annual Comedy Night featuring Vanessa Hillingshead, Dave Goldstein and also appearing as our MC and Host for the evening, Adam Sank. Fee includes Show, Snacks and our Delicious Desert Reception: \$45/person before March 1; \$55/person after March 1.

To register, call x201. Questions...call Lisa Kopman at x206.

The Big JCC Raffle

"Indulge Yourself in 2012!"

\$100/ticket ~ Supporting *The JCC Scholarship Fund*
Tickets will be drawn at the JCC Golf Outing on June 18.

Grand Prize: \$5,000 Travel Gift Certificate
Second Prize: \$1,500 StubHub! Gift Certificate
Third Prize: \$1,000 Spa-Finder.com Gift Certificate
Call x201 to purchase your tickets today!

COMING UP AT THE JCC

- Tues., March 6, 7:30 a.m.: SCBP Networking Event Hosted by the JCC
- Sat., March 10, 7:30 p.m.: Comedy Night
- Wed., March 14, 12 p.m.: Myla Goldberg (Jewish LIFE)
- Sun., March 18, 10:30 a.m.: Cokie & Steve Roberts (Jewish LIFE)
- Tues., March 20, 1 p.m.: Free Passover Cooking Demo
- Thurs., March 22, 11:30 a.m.; *Damn Yankees* at Paper Mill Playhouse; 7 p.m.: Steven Kussin (Jewish LIFE at Wilf Campus, Somerset)
- Sun., March 25: *Twelve Angry Men* at George St. Playhouse
- Thurs., March 29, 7 p.m.: *The Second Generation* (Jewish LIFE)
- Mon. - Fri., April 2-6: Vacation Camp
- Mon., April 16, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.: Open House (Membership, Camp, Preschool)
- Thurs., April 19, 7 p.m.: Community Wide Yom Hashoah Program (Jewish LIFE at Temple Beth El, Somerset)
- Sun., April 22, 9:45 a.m.: Mah Jongg Tournament
- Thurs., April 26, 9:30 a.m.: Yom Ha'Atzmaut Family Celebration
- Thurs., April 26, 6:30 p.m.: Texas Hold'em (Oldwick Fire House)
- Sun., April 29, 1-5 p.m.: *Wicked* Broadway Workshop

PASSOVER CLOSINGS

Fri., April 6: 3 p.m. Early Closing,
Erev Passover

Sat. & Sun., April 7 & 8:
JCC Closed for Passover

Fri. & Sat., April 13 & 14:

JCC Closed Last Two Days Passover
Wishing you a Zissen Pesach!



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JCC CAMP RUACH



GREATEST CAMP WITH THE BEST RATES!

JCC Camp Ruach offers programs for campers ages 15 months through Teen Travel. Check out our Camp Ruach Blog for the latest updates and information on Camp 2012. Register early...some groups are closing out.

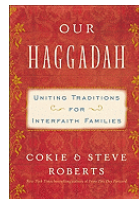
Camp Open House Monday, April 16, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., or stop in anytime April 16-22 to receive special savings!

Questions...call Paige x207; PSilberfein@ssbjcc.org.



JEWISH LIFE SPECIAL EVENTS

Myla Goldberg, Wed., March 14, 12 Noon at the JCC. Book Club event. *The False Friend*. Fee: \$18 /person in advance or \$22 at the door includes lunch and program.



Cokie and Steve Roberts, Sun., March 18, 10:30 a.m. at the JCC. *Our Haggadah: Uniting Traditions for Interfaith Families*. Fee: \$18/person in advance or \$22 at the door includes bagel breakfast and program.

Steven Kussin, Thurs., March 22, 7 p.m. at the Wilf Campus, Somerset. *Doctor, Your Patient Will See You Now*. Fee: \$10/person in advance or \$15 at the door.



The Second Generation, Thursday, March 29, 7 p.m. at the JCC. Free to the community.

Yom Hashoah Program, Thurs., April 19, 7 p.m. at Temple Beth El, Somerset. Felice Cohen, *What Papa Told Me*. Free to the community.

Additional details are posted on the JCC website: www.ssbjcc.org. Call x 201 to register for all programs.

BROADWAY COMES TO THE JCC WITH A WICKED WORKSHOP Sunday, April 29, 1-5 p.m. For Ages 7-16

All are welcome...no theatre experience necessary! Work with an actor from the original Broadway production of *Wicked*. Workshop includes scene work, song & dance combination, audition technique and mock audition.

Fee: \$150/Member or \$175/Non-Member. Space is limited...register early for this once in a lifetime opportunity! Call x201. Questions...call Lauren Paniccia at x264; LPaniccia@ssbjcc.org.

PASSOVER COOKING DEMO

Passover granola??? Come to a **free** cooking demo with Shalom Stacey on **Tuesday, March 20 at 1 p.m.** Please RSVP to x201. Questions...call Stacey at x223; SHerman@ssbjcc.org.

Welcome Shabbat with the JCC and Shalom Stacey every Friday at 3 p.m. in the Lobby and enjoy challah and wine.

YOM HA'ATZMAUT CELEBRATION

APRIL 26, 9:30 AM

**Free Family concert with Yosi!
Decorate Israeli flag cupcakes!
RSVP to Paige:
PSilberfein@ssbjcc.org.**

MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT SUNDAY, APRIL 22

New Event!!!! We are holding our first **Mah Jongg Tournament on Sunday, April 22.** Doors open at 9:45 a.m. and the Tournament begins at 10:30 a.m. Tournament rules provided by the Mah Jongg League; players will use the 2011 Mah Jongg card. Fee includes Tournament, morning coffee/nosh and a dairy lunch. Cash prizes will be awarded. **All registrations must be received by April 17.** Registration fee is \$45/person paid by April 1 or \$55/person paid between April 2-17. Event benefits *The JCC Scholarship Fund*. Call x201 to register. **Questions...call Lisa at x206; LKopman@ssbjcc.org**

THANK YOU!

Thank you to the following for their Tribute Card donations: **Alice & Richard Agrin; Andrea & Randy Berkow; Sheila Farber; Adena & Geoff Feinstein; Maureen Gill; Debbie & Paul Golden & Family; Carol Goldstein; Caryn & Jeff Kenin; Paula Kraus; Susan & Artie Lippitt; Harriet & Gene Rosen; Susan Rosen; Paige & Jason Silberfein; Sherry & Doron Steger; Lillian Swickle, Stan Weintraub.**

JCC Tribute Cards are easy to send and support *The JCC Scholarship Fund*. Minimum donation is \$18. Call x201 for assistance.

TEXAS HOLD'EM COMES TO HUNTERDON COUNTY!

Due to the overwhelming success and demand for Texas Hold'em, this year the JCC is offering two Texas Hold'em events! Our first event is on **Thursday, April 26 in Oldwick, Hunterdon County.** (Texas Hold'em will also be held this fall at the JCC!)

Join us for a great evening on April 26 at the Oldwick Fire House, just 15 minutes from the JCC. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and Tournament begins at 7:15 p.m. Fee: \$100/person includes 6,000 chips plus 1,000 bonus chips **when paid by April 20.** **After April 20:** \$100/person includes 6,000 chips **or** \$125/person includes 6,000 chips plus 1,000 bonus chips. Fee also includes dinner, snacks and drinks. **Call 908-725-6994 x201 to register or register on line.**

Sponsorship opportunities are available for both Texas Hold'em events. For additional details, please contact Debbie Golden at x210; DGolden@ssbjcc.org.

11th ANNUAL GOLF OUTING Monday, June 18

Raritan Valley Country Club

Supporting The JCC Scholarship Fund
\$300/Golfer ~ For Sponsorship Opportunities, please contact Debbie Golden at x210; DGolden@ssbjcc.org



J-CREW AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Register today for the 2012-2013 school year!



- Monday-Friday 3 - 6 p.m.
- Busing from select Bridgewater schools
- Activities include swimming, homework help, Karate, entertainment and more!

For more information, contact Ken at x227; KKaus@ssbjcc.org.



REGISTER NOW FOR 2012-2013

The Blaustein Early Childhood Center offers programs for children ages 6 weeks through Kindergarten. Developmentally appropriate academic program, plus...Swim Instruction, Music and Physical Education! Our full day Kindergarten program will help your child make a smooth transition to public school and first grade. Preschool Afternoon Enrichment offers a variety of activities including Karate, Soccer, Dance School and Theatre. For further information on all preschool programs and to schedule a personal tour, please contact Early Childhood Director Linda Weiss at x208; LWeiss@ssbjcc.org.

Preschool Open House Monday, April 16, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., or stop in anytime between April 16-22 to save \$100 on new registrations! (Some restrictions apply.)



ADULT TRIPS, PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

- **Pizza/Movie Day, Friday, March 2 and April 20 at 12 Noon.** \$5/person includes movie, pizza and popcorn. Please register in advance.
- **Comedy Night, Saturday, March 10.** Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Come out and enjoy a night of laughs. \$45/person by March 1; \$55/person after March 1. Fee includes show, snacks and dessert.
- **Damn Yankees, Thursday, March 22.** Lunch at the JCC at 11:30 a.m. Show at Paper Mill Playhouse, Millburn. Fee: \$75/person includes orchestra seat, bus and light lunch.
- **Twelve Angry Men, Sunday, March 25.** Light lunch at JCC, 2pm Matinee, transportation on your own. Fee: \$40/person
- **NEW!! Mah Jongg Tournament, Sunday, April 22 at 9:45 a.m.** Join us for a fun-filled day of Mah Jongg. Cash prizes, Fee includes dairy lunch: \$45/person by April 1; \$55/person between April 2-17. **ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 17. (See page 2)**
- **Book Club** meets on the last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.. Everyone is welcome!

Call x201 to register. Questions... call Lisa at x206; LKopman@ssbjcc.org.

SPRING VACATION CAMP PROGRAMS

The Schools are closed but the JCC is open with fun activities for kids in Grades K-6. Programs run 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. (Early Care, Late Stay and Lunch options available.)

Monday, April 2: Liberty Science Center
Tuesday, April 3: Edible Art
Wednesday, April 4: Photo Fun Day
Thursday, April 5: iPlay America
Friday, April 6: Mystery Day (no late stay)

Call x201 to register. Questions, call Ken at x227; KKaus@ssbjcc.org.

REFER A NEW JCC MEMBER & SAVE ON YOUR NEXT JCC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL!

JCC Members can receive a discount when referring a new member **who joins the JCC**. The new member needs to include your name on the Membership Application as the referring member. *This applies to new members only.* You can save \$100 on your next membership renewal for each new family you refer! (Some restrictions apply.) Details are available in the office or call Sarah Pollak, Membership Director at x205; SPollak@ssbjcc.org.

Please tell your friends and family...the JCC is holding an Open House for Membership, Camp and Preschool on Monday, April 16 from 9 a.m.- 9 p.m.

Tween Programs

"Dive In" Pool/Movie Night:
Sat., March 24 from 6:30-9:30 p.m.
Grades 5 & 6. \$10/child includes pizza. **Register by March 20.**
Movie TBA. (Perk... "Date Night" for parents!!) Call x 201 to register.

Planning meeting Tuesday, March 6 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. to discuss Spring events. Pizza!

Questions...Contact Jamie Levin:
JLevin@ssbjcc.org or call x201.

Family Fit Hour at the J!
Join us Monday-Thursday from 5:15-6:15pm for Zumba, Bodypump, Fitness Center Basics & J-Spin. Classes are for ages 10-Adults. ***A family that works out together is a happy JCC Family!***

Questions..call Joy x226;
JMccintyre@ssbjcc.org.

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