



ADULT EDUCATION
FALL 2014 - SPRING 2015

*"It's not where you are on your path
that's important, it's the direction
you are going."*



How Happiness Thinks

The Art of Parenting

Dynamic Wisdom:
The Development of Jewish Law

Movie Night:
The Prime Ministers

Hebrew Reading Course

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Jewish Learning Academy

Welcome to the Jewish Learning Academy – an educational institute open to all adults, regardless of affiliation, background or level of religious observance. Our goal is to bring the beauty and richness of our Jewish heritage to the hundreds who make the JLA their home for further learning. Our environment is safe, friendly and welcoming, without any judgment so that every student can wonder, question and share.

Instructors

Our instructors are Rabbis, Rebbetzins and guest lecturers, all who share a profound understanding of Judaism, are passionate about what they teach, have a down-to-earth approach to teaching and create a safe study environment for their students.

Participation

We are a non-membership organization. Everyone belongs. Look through our catalog of courses, lectures and classes and choose those that appeal to you. You can register online at www.jewishacademy.info or by calling our office at 215.497.9925. If you have any questions, please contact our program director, Reva, at reva@jewishcenter.info or our director, Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein at rw@jewishcenter.info. They can both be reached at the above number as well.

Our objective is to provide you with the opportunity to study Judaism. We remain committed to this. If you feel there is any way that we can provide special assistance to ensure attendance, please feel free to contact us and we will do all that we can to help.

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[THE ANNUAL JAY MICHAEL SWARTZ MEMORIAL EVENT]

The Global Phenomenon 8TH DAY LIVE IN CONCERT

Join us for a sensational Chanukah Concert along with a community Menorah lighting and hot latkes.

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Check them out at

www.my8thday.com

**Tuesday,
December 23, 2014**

Concert: 7:30pm

LOCATION:

At the Glazier Jewish Center
25 N State Street, Newtown

Prepaid Tickets by Friday, December 19

Adults: \$18; Children (Under 12): \$12

Tickets After December 19

Adults: \$25; Children (Under 12): \$18

[COURSES]



ON MONDAYS

BEGINNING:

October 27, 2014

7:30pm - 9:00pm

LOCATION:

At the Glazier Jewish Center
25 N State Street, Newtown

FEE: \$99

**BRING A NEW FRIEND
AND BOTH RECEIVE A
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How Happiness Thinks

A 6-week course

Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein

Since the dawn of time, man has been ever-fascinated by the workings of the human brain. Only recently, scientists have been discovering the underlying dynamics that shape and influence our frame of mind—new ways to cope with anxiety and stress, steps that we can take to crystallize our self-concept, and practical tools we can use to build the resilience and grit to ride through any challenge life throws our way.

Surprisingly, Torah and the Talmud have for centuries advocated various approaches to achieving happiness; ideas that are only now being confirmed through scientific observation.

How Happiness Thinks offers a Jewish roadmap to happier living. Every lesson contains poignant insights into how our minds operate with practical steps you can take to boost your happiness levels to places unimaginable.

EVERY CLASS RECORDING IS MADE AVAILABLE TO YOU IN THE EVENT THAT YOU MISS A CLASS!



Accredited by the American Psychological Association (APA) for 15 CE Credits!

This course has been generously sponsored by Roman and Inna Malts.

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ON MONDAYS

BEGINNING:

January 12, 2015

7:30pm - 9:00pm

LOCATION:

At the Glazier Jewish Center
25 N State Street, Newtown

FEE: \$99

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The Art of Parenting

A 6-week course

Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein

As parents, we worry about the well-being of our kids; about their future, and about our role in shaping it. How do we keep them safe, while encouraging their independence? When should we motivate them by incentive, and when by establishing firm consequences? And how do we build their self-esteem to prepare them mentally and emotionally for the long road ahead?

In The Art of Parenting, we scale the challenges that face us as parents and explore timeless insights from Jewish wisdom to instill values, foster independence, and ensure the long-term success and emotional well-being of our children.

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This course has been generously sponsored by Roman and Anna Sharf.

For reservations and more info: jewishacademy.info reva@jewishcenter.info 215.497.9925

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ON MONDAYS

BEGINNING:

April 27, 2015

7:30pm - 9:00pm

LOCATION:

At the Glazier Jewish Center
25 N State Street, Newtown

FEE: \$99

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Dynamic Wisdom:

THE DEVELOPMENT OF JEWISH LAW AND TRADITION THROUGH THE AGES

A 6-week course

Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein

From commandments engraved in stone to microchips in our eyewear and self-driving cars—a lot can change in 3,000 years. Yet the elemental questions about our tradition remain the same. Do we have any evidence that the Bible text is divine and true? Who has the right to interpret the Bible? And how do we adapt its laws to modern times and changing influences?

The answers to these questions are addressed in Dynamic Wisdom, the most popular course ever offered by the Rohr Jewish Learning

Institute. Renamed and newly revised on the basis of feedback from students like yourself, this interactive course promises to intrigue and inspire as you explore the history and development of Jewish law and tradition.

The journey Dynamic Wisdom represents the inner story of our lives and of our people. We invite you to join us for the ride.

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"A very powerful examination of how to see ourselves with clarity, love ourselves and others unconditionally, and feel loved by Hashem unconditionally." - R.F.

Personal and Relational Well Being for Men

A BLEND OF JEWISH WISDOM AND MODERN MODELS TO EXPERIENCE POWERFUL CONSCIOUS LIVING

A 6-week course / Only 12 Seats Available

Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein

Do you feel that you are shining your light in the world? Do you wake up feeling empowered about the day ahead? Do you celebrate and appreciate your life? Do you feel complete support from your loved ones? Do you feel like you've changed everything and nothing has changed?

This course is focused on enhancing your well being so you can step into your life more powerfully. Expand your love for life and be present to appreciate the special moments given to you. Stop trying to control and begin having more faith. Participate in this introspective 6 week course in which you will learn models and concepts to improve

your well-being so you can live your life more faithfully, powerfully and purposefully.

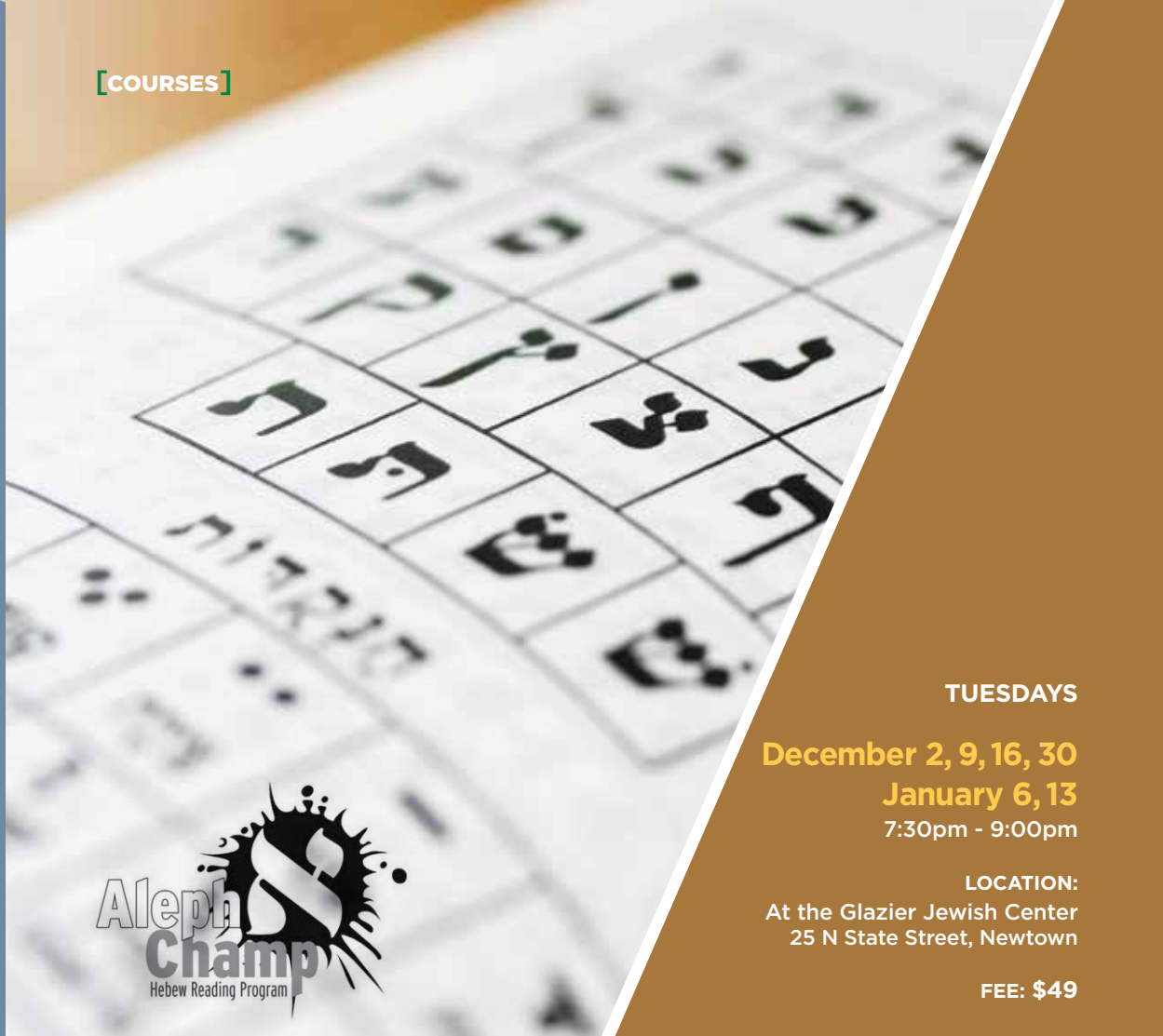
Step into the course to focus on your well-being, step out of the course energized about your life.

"This course is given in context of improving their relations with others by understanding the issues which prevent their betterment. It also helps with a step by step way on how to understand one's self better and how our worth is inherent by virtue of our soul. During the process, we learn the statements of our sages and Torah values particularly referenced to improve our relationship with G-d." - R. L.

This course has been generously sponsored by Gregory and Anna Kanevsky.

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[COURSES]



TUESDAYS

December 2, 9, 16, 30

January 6, 13

7:30pm - 9:00pm

LOCATION:

At the Glazier Jewish Center
25 N State Street, Newtown

FEE: \$49

Hebrew Reading Course

A 6-week course

Instructor: Mrs. Candy Singer

Do you regret never having learned the Hebrew alphabet? Do you feel lost in services because you can't follow along? Do you want to read the Torah in the language it was given?

This is your opportunity to master reading the Hebrew language! We'll be using the very effective Aleph Champ program.

For reservations and more info: jewishacademy.info reva@jewishcenter.info 215.497.9925

[COURSES]



Jewish Ethics from the Talmud

Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein

Join us for a 3 hour seminar on the subject of Talmudic ethics while acquiring CLE credits.

Coming in the winter!

Dates, details and information to be announced.



CLE accredited seminar (3 credits)

This course has been generously sponsored by the Personal Law and Injury Office of Hoffman, Michels and Sternberg.

[CLASS SERIES]

SUNDAY MORNINGS

9:00am

LOCATION:

The Shul at Yardley
1444 Yardley-Newtown Road,
Yardley

FEE: Free

Study Talmud in English

Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein

You heard about the Talmud but did you every study it? Now's your chance to experience it's wisdom, it's stories and it's hair splitting analysis. Join our intimate round table group on Sunday mornings as we discuss a section of the Talmud.

[CLASS SERIES]



November 2, 9, 16
December 7, 14, 21
January 4, 11, 18
February 15, 22 March 1
April 19, 26, May 3
May 31, June 1, 14

new

10:15am Breakfast
10:30am Class

LOCATION:

At the Glazier Jewish Center
25 N State Street, Newtown

FEE: \$36 per session

Soul Cafe

CHECKING IN WITH SOMETHING HIGHER

Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein

Join us on Sunday Mornings for breakfast followed by a lively discussion with Rabbi Weinstein. Each week he will share a synopsis

of a chapter of Tanya with an emphasis on how we can bring its teachings into our day-to-day living.

This course has been generously sponsored by Michael Seltzer and Shelley Miller and www.spinsaver.com

[CLASS SERIES]

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THE BOOK circle

Meaningful spiritual study with Rabbi Yehuda Shemtov.

A fascinating exploration of the ancient text of the Torah through the lenses of the a contemporary publication of The BOOK, a modern, yet authentic, translation and commentary on the text of Genesis.

MONDAY MORNINGS

9:30am - 11:00am

LOCATION:

At the Glazier Jewish Center
25 N State Street, Newtown

FEE: \$36 per session

THURSDAY EVENINGS

7:30pm

LOCATION:

At the Glazier Jewish Center
25 N State Street, Newtown

FEE: \$36 per session

A CLASS FOR WOMEN:

Opening the Tanya

A GUIDE TO HARMONIZING THE NEEDS OF OUR BODY & SOUL

Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein

A most popular class in which we tackle many relevant and sensitive issues from a spiritual perspective. Women continue to find grounded direction and inspiration from this class where thoughts and discussions are shared freely.

Using the seminal document of the Tanya as our text, we explore and solve the dilemmas of the human soul by arriving at the root causes of its struggles. It helps us understand ourselves and to explore our spiritual life.

Session I: September 8, 15, 22, 29
Session II: October 27, November 3, 10, 17
Session III: December 1, 8, 15, 22
Session IV: January 12, 19, 26, February 2
Session V: February 16, 23, March 2, 9
Session VI: April 20, 27, May 4, 11
Session VII: June 1, 8, 15, 22

The Book Circle

Entering it's 5th year! You can start as new!

Instructor: Rabbi Yudy Shemtov

Topics: Garden of Eden. Noah's Ark.

Are these ancient legends? Old stories? Or, dynamic, real-time guidance for understanding life, its meaning and things going on around YOU!

Join this fascinating class as we dive into the words of Genesis and emerge more knowledgeable about our Torah and refreshed and inspired for meaningful living in the 21st century.

Sessions:

Session I: October 30, November 6, 13
Session II: December 4, 11
Session III: January 8, 15, 22
Session IV: February 5, 12, 19
Session V: March 12, 19, 26
Session VI: April 16, 23, 30
Session VII: May 14, 21, 28

[CLASS SERIES]



WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

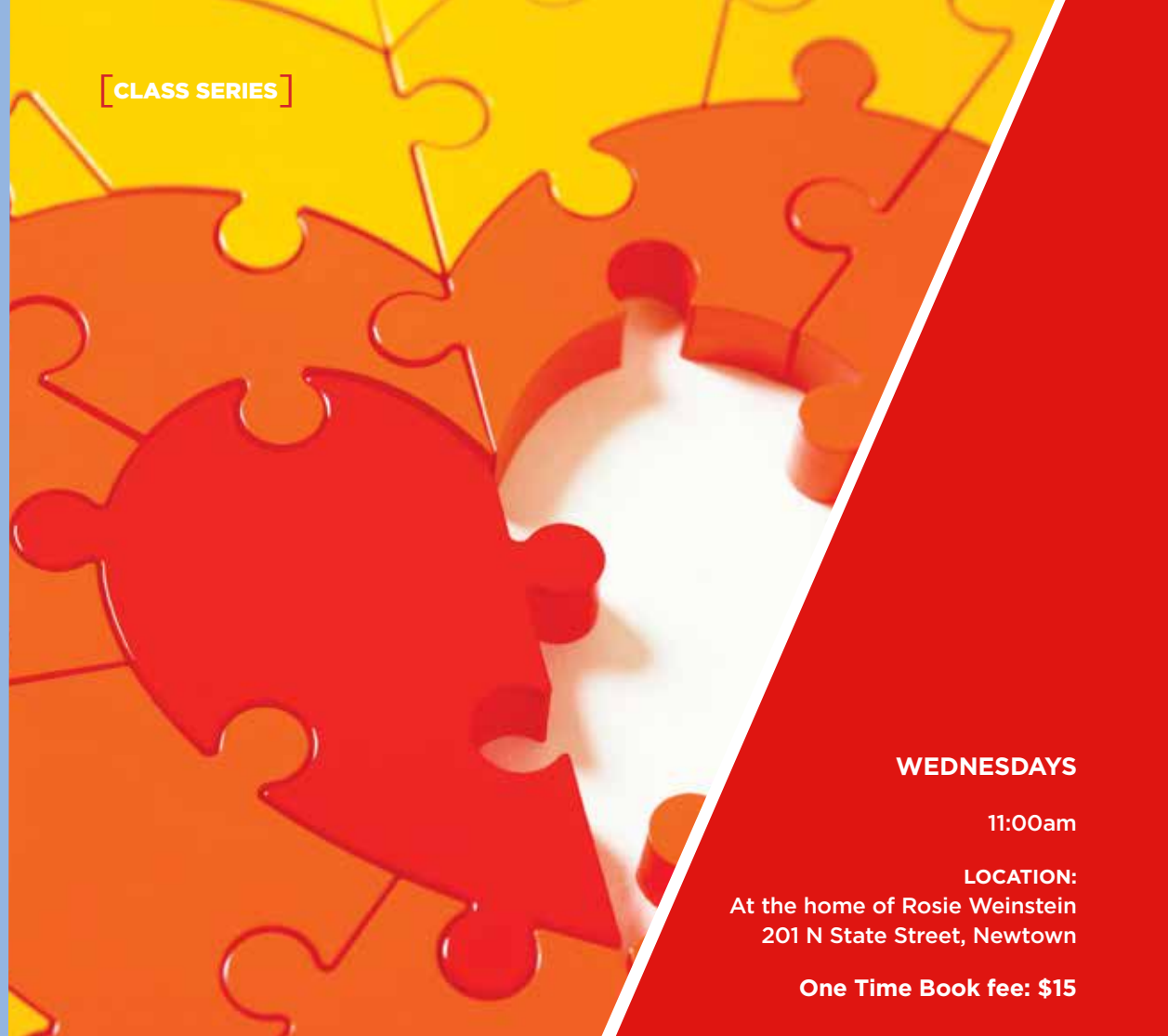
11:00am

LOCATION:

At the home of Rosie Weinstein
201 N State Street, Newtown

FEE: Free

[CLASS SERIES]



WEDNESDAYS

11:00am

LOCATION:

At the home of Rosie Weinstein
201 N State Street, Newtown

One Time Book fee: \$15

Torah with Rosie

RELEVANT MESSAGES FROM THE WEEKLY TORAH PORTION AND CURRENT HOLIDAYS

Around her dining room table, join women who receive inspiration and meaning as Rosie shares her heart and spirit. Using the weekly Torah portion and holidays, the discussion focuses on how they are relevant, meaningful and inspiring for our day-to-day living.

Dates:

**September 10, October 22, 29
November 5, 12, 19, 26, December 3, 24,
January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 25
March 11, 18, 25, April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 27**

A CLASS FOR WOMEN:

Rosh Chodesh Society

SOULMATES: JEWISH SECRETS TO MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIPS

Instructor: Rosie Weinstein

This year, join us for *SoulMates: Jewish Secrets to Meaningful Relationships*, a seven-session course, once a month in honor of Rosh Chodesh, the new month.

Whether you are currently married, considering someday tying the knot, or simply seek to better understand the spiritual root of love and marriage, Soulmates is a course drawing on timeless Jewish wisdom that will forever change

how you think about the important relationship in your life, in all its beauty and complexity.

Dates:

November 19	March 25
December 24	April 22
January 21	May 20
February 25	

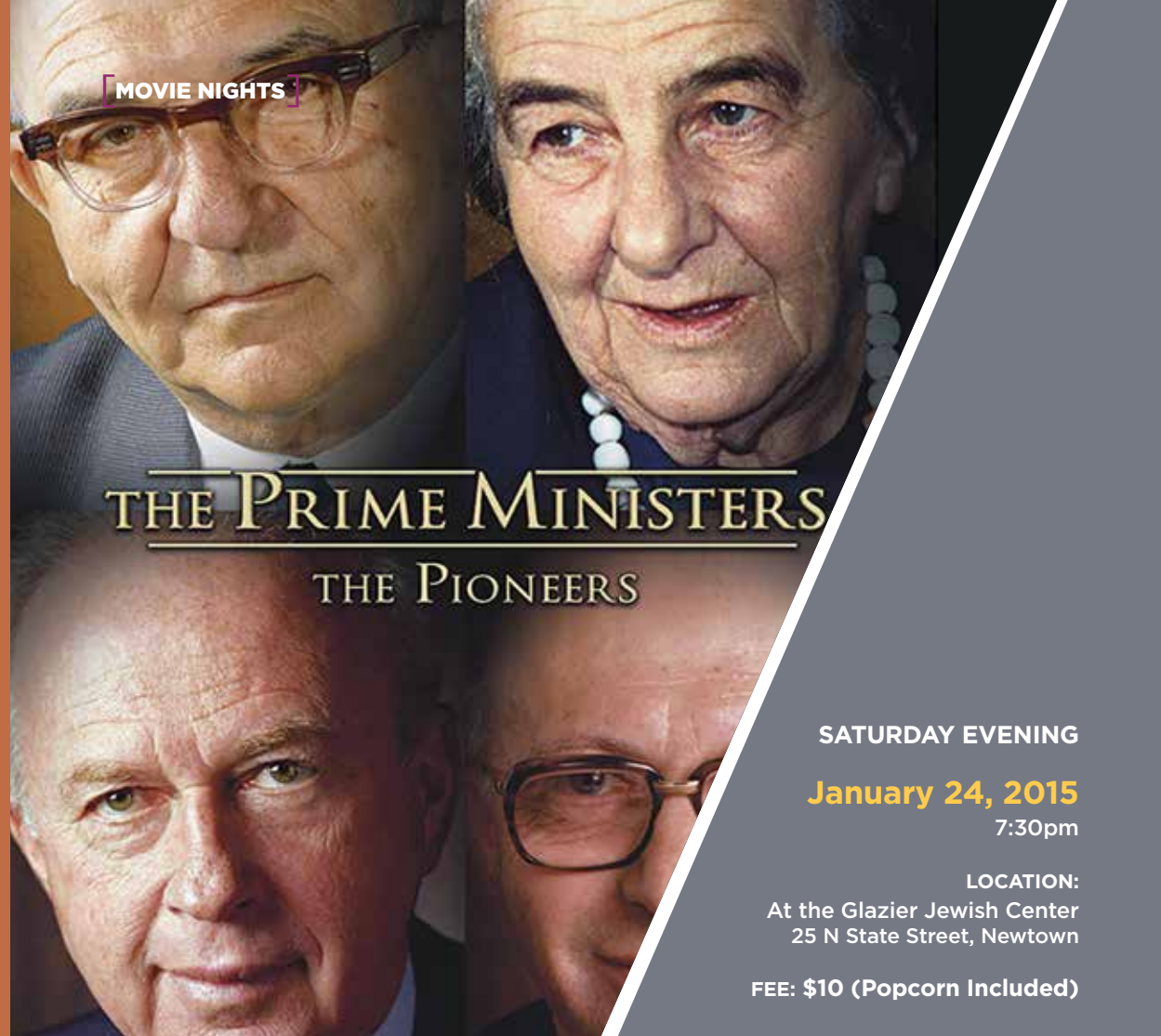


MOVIE NIGHTS

SATURDAY EVENING
December 13, 2014
 7:30pm

LOCATION:
 At the Glazier Jewish Center
 25 N State Street, Newtown

FEE: \$10 (Popcorn Included)



MOVIE NIGHTS

SATURDAY EVENING
January 24, 2015
 7:30pm

LOCATION:
 At the Glazier Jewish Center
 25 N State Street, Newtown

FEE: \$10 (Popcorn Included)

Nicky's Family

ONE ACT OF KINDNESS OF ONE ENGLISHMAN CHANGED THE WORLD

Nicky's Family is an emotional retelling of the remarkable efforts one man took to rescue 669 Czech children from death during WWII. Sir Nicholas Winton was a young English businessman at the time; but when chance brought him to Nazi occupied Czechoslovakia, he put aside his own pursuits and began organizing the many children of Jewish refugees to escape Nazi clutches. Once he had appointed himself the authority for such matters, Winton

went to work arranging transport and placing these children in English homes.

Winton, now 104 years old, did not speak about these events with anyone for more than half a century. His exploits would have probably been forgotten if his wife, fifty years later, hadn't found a suitcase in the attic, full of documents and transport plans.

The Prime Ministers: The Pioneers

THE FIRST AND ONLY INSIDER ACCOUNT OF ISRAELI POLITICS FROM THE FOUNDING OF THE JEWISH STATE TO THE NEAR- PRESENT DAY.

Based on the best- selling book by Ambassador Yehuda Avner, *The Prime Ministers: The Pioneers* takes the audience inside the offices of Israel's Prime Ministers through the eyes of an insider, Yehuda Avner, who served as a chief aide, English language note-taker and speech writer to Levi Eshkol, Golda Meir, Yitzhak Rabin, Menachem Begin, and Shimon Peres.

The first of two parts, *The Prime Ministers: The Pioneers* focuses on Ambassador Avner's years

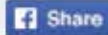
working with Prime Ministers Levi Eshkol and Golda Meir and then US Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin and reveals new details about the Six-Day War, the development of Israel's close strategic relationship with the United States, the fight against terrorism, the Yom Kippur War and its aftermath. Weaving a rich tapestry of history and personal testimonies, *The Prime Ministers* brings some of the most important events of the 20th and 21st centuries to life.

[LECTURE]



Why is the media so biased against Israel? Let us compare the ways

Posted by **David Gerstman** Wednesday, August 27, 2014 at 1:24pm



The What, How and Why of Mideast Journalism 101



**Sunday,
September 21, 2014**

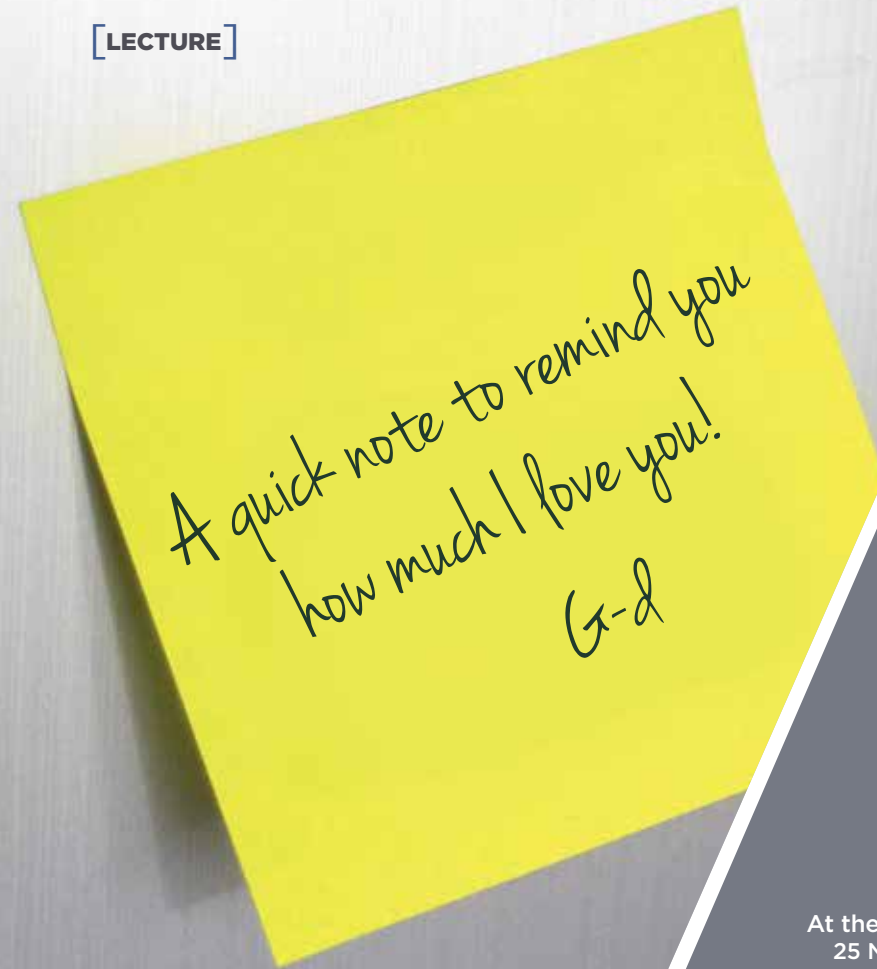
10:30am

LOCATION:

At the Glazier Jewish Center
25 N State Street, Newtown

FEE: Free

[LECTURE]



**Monday,
July 13, 2015**

7:30pm

LOCATION:

At the Glazier Jewish Center
25 N State Street, Newtown

FEE: \$15

Media Bias Against Israel

Join us for a discussion led by Lee Bender and Jerome Verlin, authors of *Pressing Israel: Media Bias Exposed From A-Z*, discussing the outrageous bias against Israel that we constantly see in the media.

Learn what you can do to counter this bias as well as the facts you should know to help defend Israel against hostile arguments.

From G-d with Love

Instructor: Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein

We can only imagine living within a relationship in which we are constantly scared. We can never truly be yourself. Often, this is our relationship with G-d. We fear that we have done wrong, we have sinned and that we are constantly being judged by Him. Fear often dominates our relationship.

This talk will help you reshape your relationship with G-d. Through understanding how much G-d loves us even at our weakest moments, our love towards Him will grow.

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Conversational Hebrew
through the
Jewish Learning Academy

Contact Reva
✉ reva@jewishcenter.info or
☎ 215.497.9925
to arrange your lessons.

Conversational Hebrew

Do you want to learn conversational Hebrew as spoken in Israel? We can help you! Whether you already know some Hebrew or none at all, you will enjoy these one on one tutoring lessons with Lea Kedar.

Lea Kedar, raised in Israel with over 30 years of teaching experience in the United States, will be

happy to accept you as one of her students for private tutoring.

Learn modern Hebrew at your own pace and before you know it, you will know many words used in basic conversation.

For more information contact Reva Stern: ✉ reva@jewishcenter.info

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WITH YOUR SUBJECT.

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Please call Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein
to find you a Torah study partner:
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Reintroduction to Judaism

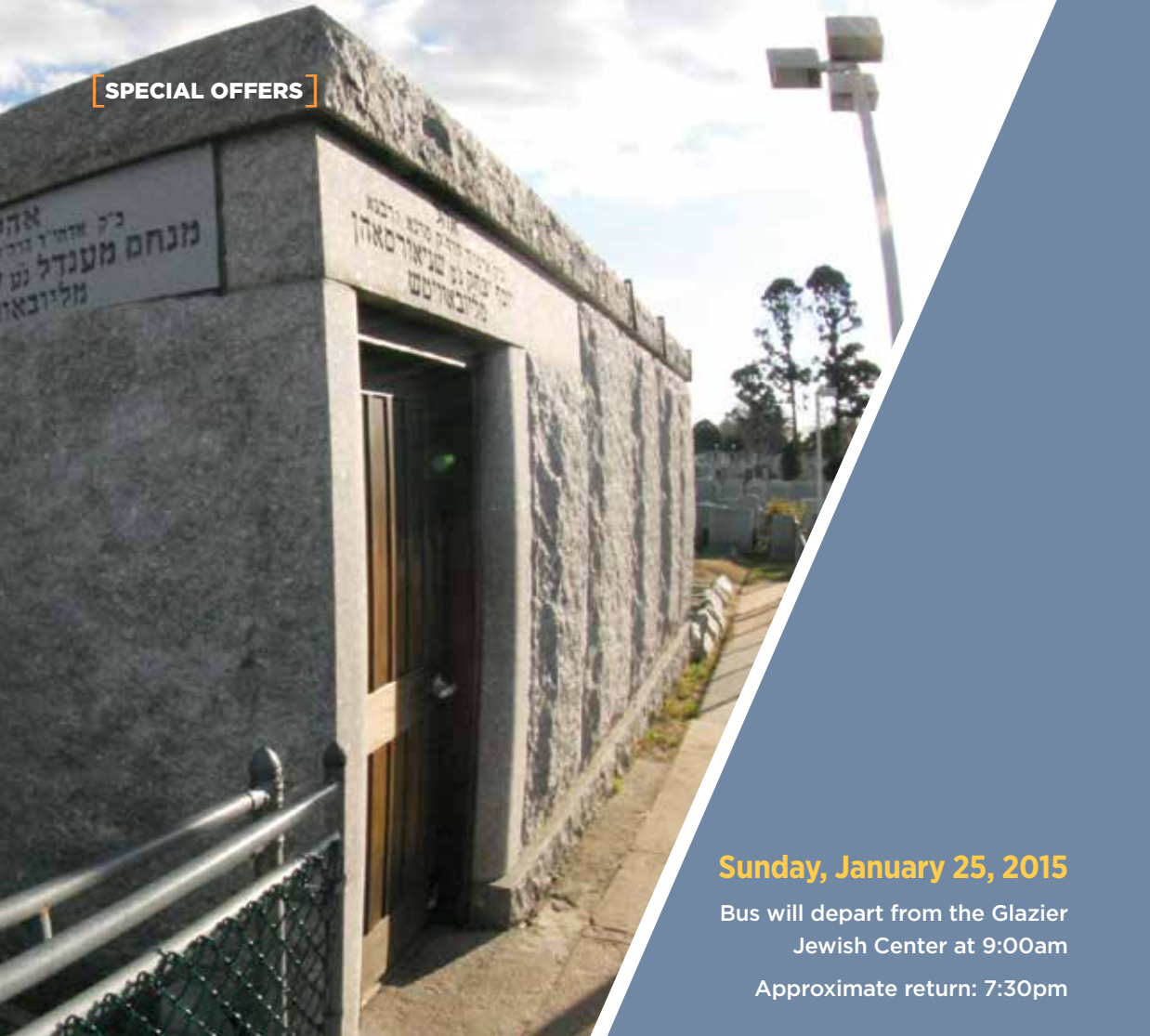
A tremendous opportunity and challenge awaits you. You may be one of the many who have little Jewish education and would like to know more. For "new comers" to an unfamiliar environment, learning the basic fundamentals of Judaism is a formidable and often overwhelming challenge. We have therefore created the Reintroduction to Judaism program.

Seize this opportunity to rediscover Judaism and quench your thirst for spirituality. This program will provide personalized guidance on how you can begin learning about and appreciating your Jewish heritage.

You are welcome to arrange a meeting with one of our qualified Rabbis to discuss your background and knowledge. We will determine which subjects most appeal to you and at what pace your time permits you to study. We will also help you choose from an assortment of traditions that you may want to begin observing to bring more meaning into your or your family's life. The totality of the program will be tailor-made to your needs. The program will include a number of classes, workshops, personal reading and online study. You set the pace.

Please call Rabbi Aryeh Weinstein or Rabbi Yudy Shemtov to arrange a meeting: ☎ 215.497.9925

SPECIAL OFFERS



Sunday, January 25, 2015

Bus will depart from the Glazier Jewish Center at 9:00am

Approximate return: 7:30pm

Visit to the Rebbe's Ohel

A DAY OF CULTURE, PRAYER, EDUCATION & FASCINATION WITH RABBI SHEMTOV & RABBI WEINSTEIN

Spend a day in New York with Rabbi Shemtov and Rabbi Weinstein. Visit the resting place of The Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson of blessed memory. The Ohel is a place where thousands come to pray for blessings and inspiration.

Enjoy lunch at The Ohel, followed by an exclusive private tour of the Chabad Library

as well as the Chabad Lubavitch World Headquarters in Crown Heights. We will also visit the Rebbe's office. Visit a scribe before heading into Flatbush for some shopping, a stop at Pomegranate - a premiere kosher supermarket - and dinner at any one of the many restaurants Brooklyn has to offer.

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ON SATURDAY EVENING, JANUARY 10, 2015

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