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THE JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF WEST PASCO
Home of Congregation Beth Tefillah

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - by Eileen Hochstadt

"Livin' on a Prayer" by Sam Glaser and Aish.com

Along the way, we have learned there are four steps to effective prayer:

- Prayer begins and ends with gratitude, a sense of amazement at G-d's constant creation. After all, the Hebrew word for Jews is *Yehudim* which means "those who thank."
- In prayer, we need to ask for something specific -- be it health, wealth, an asset, an idea. Nothing we request is outside of G-d's ability to deliver.
- Listen to your "messages" over the course of the day, to be aware when the Creator is trying to get your attention. And, more importantly, be ready to respond or change in accordance with the message.
- Finally, give thanks and feel a sense of confidence that the prayer will be answered by a loving G-d who desires our prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Eileen M Hochstadt, President

Please turn to page 3 for information about an exciting, musical program.

JULY/AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS

- * **Wednesday-Thursday, 7/3-7/4**
Rosh Chodesh
- * **Thursday, 7/4**
Independence Day
- * **Monday, 7/8 7 pm**
JCC Board Meeting
- * **Friday, 8/2 Rosh Chodesh**
- * **Sunday, 8/11 Tish'a B'Av**
- * **Monday, 8/12 7 pm**
JCC Board Meeting
- * **Saturday, 8/31 Rosh Chodesh**

Shabbat Services
Conducted by Ron Becker and Elliot Shapiro
EVERY FRIDAY EVENING AT 7:30 PM
EVERY SATURDAY MORNING AT 9:30 AM
Alan Goldberg, Rabbi Emeritus

A Message From Ron Becker

Dear friends,

As we look ahead to the summer season, we take pride in completing a very productive and fulfilling year at the JCC culminating in our celebration in the month of June of the holiday of Yom Yerushalayim (Jerusalem Unification Day) and the festival of Shavuot. Glancing back on the year we have completed, we observed together the High Holy Days, Sukkot and all the many holidays and other special occasions that followed. We celebrated milestone birthdays, anniversaries, a Bar Mitzvah and baby namings and shared wonderful community Shabbat dinners every month with much singing, comradery, and Shabbat spirit in addition to the sumptuous meals. And with only one or two exceptions, we had a minyan every Shabbat morning and during the week when one of our members (including myself) was observing a Yahrzeit. In addition, we marched together and participated in the Martin Luther King Day program at the historic Booker Washington School and honored our beloved president, Eileen Hochstadt as our Woman of Distinction.

We were especially fortunate to complete another great year of study in our adult education classes which included weekly sessions at which we discussed the Jewish life cycle events and the Hebrew calendar events. More people participated than ever and I learned much from our congregants and friends.

Unfortunately, we have also shared some sadder times including illnesses more than our share of funerals, unveilings, and Shiva minyanim at our friends' homes. We hosted a memorial service to help the healing after the tragic killings at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh and partnered with our friends from local churches and the Islamic Center of New Port Richey in solidarity to fight hatred whenever tragedy struck.

All of this points out that we are truly a community and as a community, we support each other, our families, and those in our midst. Without community, we are only individuals. While it is very important to express one's individuality and certainly possible to study and pray by oneself, it is the community that brings us together and provides true meaning to our lives as Jews and as citizens. We are only a fraction of what we were a few decades ago, but we are growing slowly but steadily and providing a community for us all.

Summertime often means vacation trips and extended visits with family and friends. In our case, all three of our grandsons will be spending the summer with us and then in late July and early August, we embark on our annual trip to the beach in Delaware to be with our old college buddies and their families for the 49th consecutive year. What a great tradition now shared with two younger generations! Since summertime often means violent thunderstorms and possible hurricanes here in Florida, it is also a time to prepare for them and drive safely when vacationing. So Chris and I wish you all a very happy summer and look forward to an equally fulfilling year to come.

Ron Becker
Spiritual Leader

DATES TO REMEMBER

7/3	Rosh Chodesh
7/4	Rosh Chodesh
7/4	Independence Day
	Bingo 10 am
7/5	Religious Services 7:30 pm
7/6	Religious Services 9:30 am
	Bingo 5 pm
7/8	JCC Board Meeting 7 pm
7/11	Bingo 10 am
7/12	Religious Services 7:30 pm
7/13	Religious Services 9:30 am
	Bingo 5 pm
7/18	Bingo 10 am
7/19	Religious Services 7:30 pm
7/20	Religious Services 9:30 am
	Bingo 5 pm
7/25	Bingo 10 am
7/26	Religious Services 7:30 pm
7/27	Religious Services 9:30 am
	Bingo 5 pm
8/1	Bingo 10 am
8/2	Rosh Chodesh
	Religious Services 7:30 pm

8/3	Religious Services 9:30 am
	Bingo 5 pm
8/8	Bingo 10 am
8/9	Religious Services 7:30 pm
8/10	Religious Services 9:30 am
	Erev Tish'a B'Av
	Bingo 5 pm
8/11	Tish'a B'Av
8/12	JCC Board Meeting 7 pm
8/15	Bingo 10 am
8/16	Religious Services 7:30 pm
8/17	Religious Services 9:30 am
	Bingo 5 pm
8/22	Bingo 10 am
8/23	Religious Services 7:30 pm
8/24	Religious Services 9:30 am
	Bingo 5 pm
8/29	Bingo 10 am
8/30	Religious Services 7:30 pm
8/31	Religious Services 9:30 am
	Bingo 5 pm
8/31	Rosh Chodesh

Candle Lighting Times



July 5	8:12 pm
July 12	8:11 pm
July 19	8:09 pm
July 26	8:05 pm
August 2	8:01 pm
August 9	7:56 pm
August 16	7:50 pm
August 23	7:43 pm
August 30	7:35 pm



Women of Distinction May 5, 2019

**Eileen Hochstadt (center),
surrounded by a large
contingent from the JCC,
was a recipient of Federation's
Women of Distinction award.**

Congratulations to Eileen!

For Your Listening Entertainment

**Anclote Symphonic Winds
Side by Side Concert with
Musical Matters**

J.R. Farley, Conductor

**Jewish Community Center
9841 Scenic Drive
Port Richey, FL 34668**

**\$14.00 for Adults
\$7.00 for Children**

Sunday, August 18, 2019 at 5:00 pm

**Call Eileen for reservations
(727) 692-6431**

HIGH HOLY DAYS

**The High Holy Days schedule of
services and ticket information will
be available in the September
Schrier.**

Stay tuned.....



LABOR DAY BINGO MARATHON!!

**On Monday, September 2, 2019 the JCC will
hold its annual LABOR DAY BINGO
MARATHON. Doors open at 8 am and the
first game is at 10 am. Eighty games will be
played! If you can spare a couple of hours,
we are always looking for volunteers. If you
can't volunteer, then come out and play
bingo and support your JCC.**

See you there!



JULY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 10 AM BINGO  Rosh Chodesh Independence Day	5 8:12 pm Religious Services 7:30 pm	6 Religious Services 9:30 am <i>Korach</i> Bingo 5 pm
7	8 JCC Board Meeting 7 pm	9	10	11 10 AM BINGO 	12 8:11 pm Religious Services 7:30 pm	13 Religious Services 9:30 am <i>Chukat</i> Bingo 5 pm
14	15	16	17	18 10 AM BINGO	19 8:09 pm Religious Services 7:30 pm	20 Religious Services 9:30 am <i>Balak</i> Bingo 5 pm
21 Fast of Tammuz	22	23	24	25 10 AM BINGO	26 8:05 pm Religious Services 7:30 pm	27 Religious Services 9:30 am <i>Pinchas</i> Bingo 5 pm
28	29	30	31			

AUGUST 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10 AM BINGO	2 88 Religious Services 7:30 pm	3 Religious Services 9:30 am <i>Matot-Masei</i> Bingo 5 pm
4	5	6	7	8 10 AM BINGO	9 88 Religious Services 7:30 pm	10 Religious Services 9:30 am <i>Devarim</i> Erev Tish'a B'Av Bingo 5 pm
11 Tish'a B'Av Fast of Av	12 JCC Board Meeting 7 pm	13	14	15 10AM BINGO	16 88 Religious Services 7:30 pm	17 Religious Services 9:30 am <i>Vaetchanan</i> <i>Shabbat Nachamu</i> Bingo 5 pm
18	19	20	21	22 10 AM BINGO	23 88 Religious Services 7:30 pm	24 Religious Services 9:30 am <i>Eikev</i> Bingo 5 pm
25	26	27	28	29 10 AM BINGO	30 88 Religious Services 7:30 pm	31 Religious Services 9:30 am <i>Re'eh</i> Rosh Chodesh Bingo 5 pm