

# The Pelham Jewish Center

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## Shabbat Services This Week

### Friday, January 12

Light Candles - 4:31 pm

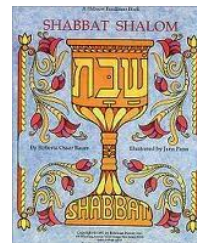
Kabbalat Shabbat Services - 6:30 pm

### Saturday, January 13

Shabbat Morning Services - 9:30 am

*Parshat Va'eira*

Shabbat Ends - 5:34 pm



*Kiddush this week is sponsored by  
Rabbi Alex & Clara Salzberg  
in honor of both of their birthdays  
Yom Huledet Sameach!*

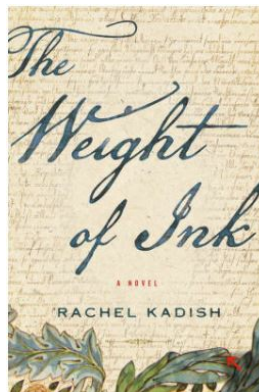
Click [here](#) for the new PJC 2017-'18 Calendar!

Click [here](#) for the updated PJC Learning Center 2017-'18 Calendar.

## Join the PJC Facebook Group!

"Pelham Jewish Center Members" is a Facebook Group for our entire community - all members, teens and young adults! Never used Facebook? Here is your chance! Are you a longtime

## Book Group & Author Talk *The Weight of Ink* by Rachel Kadish Sunday, January 21st from 11:30am - 2pm



The author-led discussion will be followed by a luncheon. Open to all PJC members & their guests, but please RSVP to [Julia](#).

Facebook user? Join our Group! Facebook Groups allow users to quickly communicate about any topic.

Add your PJC friends to our Group so it can continue to grow! Once someone is a member of the Group, they can add any of their friends (who are PJC members). Our PJC Group will continue to be a great source of job leads, recommended professionals and useful information to our members.

We encourage everyone to join our Facebook Group today! Please send a request to Melissa Haber or Emily Glickman via Facebook or click [here](#) to email Emily. We will promptly add you to the Group.

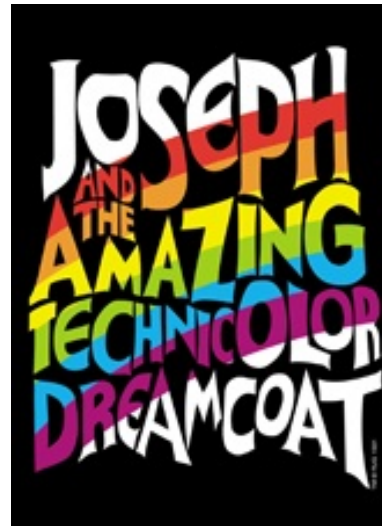
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## Call for *Haftorah* Readers!

Have you considered reading your Bar or Bat Mitzvah *Haftorah*? Want to mark a special occasion with your PJC family? Reading the *Haftorah* on a Saturday morning will make for a wonderful celebration!

Now you can sign up to read a *Haftorah* at the PJC. Once you have signed up, someone will call to make sure you are prepared. It's that simple. If you have not read in a while we suggest giving yourself a minimum of 4-6 weeks preparation time. We'll help you get there!

To sign up or if you have any questions, please



Please join us for the PJC's staged reading of  
Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical  
***Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat***  
Sunday, January 21st at 2:00 pm

### Featuring...

Michael Dvorkin, Todd Echelman, Lucy Haber, Melissa Haber, Alina Levine, Noah Levine, Peter Rothberg, Alex Salzberg, Clara Salzberg, Barbara Saunders-Adams, Joel Serebransky, Davi Schulman, Jeremy Schulman, Mira Schulman, Sari Schulman, Hannah Steinberg, Mimi Steinberg, Liz Tzetzso, Lori Weber, Michael Weissman, and children from our Learning Center.

The performance is **free**. In keeping with the show's "dreamcoat" theme and the commandment מלביש ערומים, please help us "clothe the naked" by bringing a bag of clothing in good condition (men's and women's sweatshirts, jeans, t-shirts, jackets, hats, shoes, sneakers, new socks and underwear). All clothing will be donated to the Midnight Run.\*

\*Each year, the PJC conducts a Midnight Run and a Breakfast Run, during which we visit locations in New York City and distribute donated food, clothing and personal items to homeless and other needy people.

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## Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service & Community Dinner Friday, January 26th at

email [Roger Krulak](#) or call him at 216-276-6540 -- thank you in advance for participating!

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# 6:30pm

## Shabbat Shira, Sabbath of Song

We are looking at ways to re-imagine the musical content and tone of our PJC Shabbat services and to deepen our practice of singing and praying together. In the spring and summer, when the days lengthen, we are going to experiment with adding instruments to Kabbalat Shabbat services. As a mid-winter warmup, on January 26th we will have a special musical Friday night service. This will be followed by a community-wide Shabbat dinner, which will include the Learning Center's 3rd-6th grade dinner. Everyone is welcome!

*Shabbat Shira*, "Sabbath of Song", is the Shabbat when we read the part of the Torah containing the biblical poem, *Shirat Hayam*, the Song of the Sea. Legend has it the Song was miraculously sung by all Israelites, spontaneously and in unison, when they fled Egypt and slavery and crossed the Red Sea. What better time for us to draw together and sing a new song!

In advance of this service, we are organizing a "singing core" consisting of people who love to sing. This group will meet once in the next few weeks to sing together and learn new melodies and then will participate in the service. We will also be working with the 3rd-6th grade Learning Center children so they will be able to participate in the service with us. If you would like to be part of the singing core, please email [Jack Klebanow](#).

Cost is \$18/adult, \$6/children 6-12, children 5 and under free; maximum cost per family \$50. Please RSVP to [Julia Coss](#) in the PJC office. No cost to Learning Center families with children in grades Bet - Vav, but please RSVP.

We hope to see you on Friday evening, January, 26th!

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**Next Making Shabbos  
Session  
Sunday, January 28th at  
4pm  
Havdallah Set Making ...  
please join us!**

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## Save the Date ... For the PJC Spring Gala! Saturday Evening, March 10, 2018

A Gala Committee is forming now ... volunteers are needed to help plan the Gala and silent auction.

Also consider what goods and / or services you have to contribute to our silent auction.

Please contact [Barbara Saunders-Adams](#) if you are interested in joining the Gala Committee or have auction items to donate.

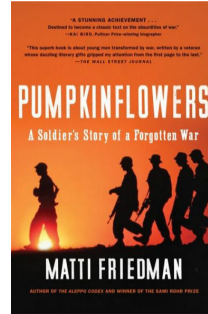
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## PJC Library Book Notes Tevet - Shvat 2018

On your first visit to AmazonSmile, you need to select the Pelham Jewish Center to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make on AmazonSmile will result in a donation.

For more information, please email [Rachel Collens](mailto:Rachel.Collens@pelhamjewishcenter.org).

# Pumpkin Flowers: A Soldier's Story of a Forgotten War by Matti Friedman



The "Pumpkin" is a bunker on a flat outcrop in the mountainous security zone overlooking the porous border separating Lebanon from Israel. "Flowers" is the military code word for casualties. The soldiers are boys just out of high school forced to become men. Their time is spent waiting and daydreaming as they guard their encampment.

Seemingly endless days and nights are punctuated by pre-dawn searches and periodic enemy attacks. Meanwhile, the Lebanon war is winding down.

Friedman places you on the Pumpkin as witness to the absurdities of a war that lost its purpose. You will come to know what life was like for these soldiers. And, you will find yourself empathizing with their personal stories.

Matti Friedman, a journalist originally from Canada, revisits the Pumpkin in 2002 calling upon his memories as a young soldier. He also recalls his dream of returning one day to interact with the enemy, Hezbollah, as neighbors. Posing as a neutral Canadian citizen touring the sights of Lebanon, Friedman encounters the continuing hatred of the Lebanese people towards Israelis. He remembers thinking the Lebanese mountains were speaking to him. At the time he didn't understand. Now, he believes he knows what they were asking, "Why are you here? Why don't you just go home?"

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## From Our Treasurer

To make payments to the PJC, **please**:

1) Make checks payable to "The Pelham Jewish Center" and mail to our bookkeeping firm at: Pelham Jewish Center, P.O. Box 418, Montvale, N.J. 07645. (Please note this new P.O. Box on your records and advise third parties who make payments on your behalf).

2) For gifts, tributes and contributions to be acknowledged to a third party, mail checks payable to "The Pelham Jewish

Center" to our Office.

3) Mail checks to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund payable to "Pelham Jewish Center-Rabbi's Discretionary Fund" to our Office.

4) Instructions for payments by credit card are on your monthly online statements and/or call Julia Coss at the PJC Office.

5) To contribute appreciated securities, contact [Jill Goldenberg](#).

6) To use a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA, contact [Ted Brown](#) for an explanation.

7) As a reminder, our policy is that Memorial Plaques must be paid for **in full** (\$300/per plaque) before they will be ordered.

If you need to discuss any financial issue in total confidence, please do not hesitate to contact our PJC President, [Darren Lee](#) (917-658-7791), or our Treasurer, [Ted Brown](#) (917-593-3685).



## Yahrzeits This Week

### Monday, January 8

- Shelli Goldberg-Peck remembers her mother, Helen Goldberg

### Tuesday, January 9

- Leah Leonard remembers her grandfather, Frank Bennett
- The Pelham Jewish Center remembers Founding Member, Ellenore Levander

### Thursday, January 11

- Florence Grossman remembers her father, Nathan Schaeffer

### Sunday, January 14

- Paul Goldiner remembers his mother, Elsie Goldiner

### Monday, January 15

- Barry Goldenberg remembers his mother, Elaine Goldenberg

### Wednesday, January 17

- Melanie Samuels remembers her grandmother, Sadie Samuels

### Friday, January 19

- Barry Erner remembers his grandmother, Helen Applebaum
- Barry Erner remembers his father, Henry Erner

- Arthur Katz remembers his mother, Ruth Katz

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## Kiddush Korner

"A prayer for those who serve the community" states "May G-d bless ... those who give funds for wine and Kiddush ..."



What a special way to celebrate Shabbat with your PJC community!

Sponsorship is simple ... you pick a date and the PJC arranges everything else.

Thanks to the generosity of so many of our PJC congregants, all of our 2017 Kiddush dates have been filled! Available upcoming 2018 Kiddush dates:

- February 24
- March 3
- April 7, 14, 21
- May 26
- June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Kiddush package options start at just \$200.

The PJC is pleased to offer a *meat* Kiddush option priced at \$400.

Email [Leah Leonard](#) to reserve an upcoming date or inquire about the range of Kiddush packages available.

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***Community Announcements***

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# DESTINATION UNKNOWN

## Special Screening

Jan. 14, 2018, 6:30 pm  
Pelham Picture House Main Hall  
\$15, \$13 & \$10 for members

Post-film discussion with:

Dr. Jack Terry (Holocaust survivor)

Bonnie Glogover (daughter of survivor)



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## A Day of Learning and Dialogue for Future College Students

Join teens from across North America to learn how to advocate for issues you care about, explore social justice topics of concern from a Jewish perspective, and consider the most effective ways to make a difference right now.

- Hear from leading experts on issues from refugees to the environment to racial justice.
- Meet in small groups to discuss constructive ways of making change.
- Develop an understanding of Jewish ethics, community organizing, or inclusion training.
- Leave confident about articulating why and how social action is important to you.

**Learn more and register »**

Deadline for registration is January 18, 2018.



**HIAS**



Click [here](#) to register.

*The Pelham Jewish Center  
wishes you a great week!*

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