



בינינו

Benainu "Between Us"



Girls Lacrosse Meeting – See below!

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Sh'vat

Candle Lighting: 4:58pm

Shabbat Ends: 6:08pm

Newsflash!

Monday, February 2nd (E Day)

Upper School will have:

Hebrew Finals 8:30-11:30am

Lunch 11:30am-12:15pm

9th & 10th gr are free – No Finals

(busses will come at regular 3:30pm dismissal time)

11th gr - Tanach finals 12:30pm- 3:30pm

12th gr - Math finals 12:30-3:30pm

Middle School will have:

Regular E Day classes

Lunch is after 4th period at 11:45am-12:15pm

(Box lunches ONLY – will be available for purchase, they do NOT need to be preordered.)

Open House: Our next Open House is set for Tuesday, February 3, 9am-noon. Spread the word!

ניחום אבלים

CONDOLENCES:

With much sadness, we inform you of the recent passing of **Annette Langer**, mother of **Howard Langer (Barbara Jaffe)** and grandmother of **Bernie '05** and **Marty '08**. Our heartfelt condolences are extended to the entire family.

שמחות

MAZEL TOV:

Mazel tov to David Zuckerman '14 who will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on January 31st and to his parents **Michael Zuckerman** and **Debrah Meislich**.

Mazel tov to Barbara Linietsky (Isaac), on the marriage of their daughter, **Shira**, to **Ari Oppenheimer**.

בוגרים

ALUMNI NEWS:

Mazel Tov to Randi Sulman Finkle '75 and Tom Finkle '73 on the engagement of their daughter **Arielle** to **Avi Meir Goldberg**. The wedding will take place in Israel where the couple will reside.

Condolences to Nancy Neff Berkowitz '59 and her son Ross Berkowitz '90 on the loss of Lillian Neff, beloved mother and grandmother.

Condolences to Lisa Levin Kimmelman '74 and Jonathan Levin, husband of faculty member **Sharon Levin**, on the loss of their stepfather **Henry Abrams**.

Congratulations to Shira Abrams '03 on her engagement to **Eric Salem**. Mazel tov to Shira's family including brothers, **Noam '00** and **Sam '98**. The couple is currently living in Frankfurt, Germany, and will be married when they return in early 2011.

מה עוד חדש

SPORTS:



ATTENTION ALL POTENTIAL GIRLS LACROSSE PLAYERS: A meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 4th, at 12:20 in the school auditorium.

MORE NEWS:

Save the Date: Barrack Hebrew Academy will proudly honor Beryl D. Simonson at our annual Tribute Event on **Sunday, March 29, 6-9pm at Barrack Hebrew Academy**. Beryl is a past Barrack parent, past Board member, staunch supporter of our school and of Jewish day school education in general, and an exemplary community leader. Please join us as we salute Beryl at a festive cocktail party, our school's major fundraising event this year. Details to follow.

Picture Day: Muss students will have their pictures taken 12-1pm in auditorium, Tues., Feb. 3rd.

More Tuition Assistance and Merit Scholarship Funds: Pass the Word! Due to the generosity of Barrack benefactors, we have expanded our already existing tuition assistance and merit scholarship programs to help families of all economic backgrounds provide their children with a stellar Barrack education. We are currently providing funds to families with incomes ranging from \$20,000 to over \$200,000, depending on individual circumstances. And for students new to Barrack, our **Rabbis' Scholarship merit tuition grant** has been **increased to \$5,000 for the first year** and **\$3,600 thereafter** for scholars in good standing. Tell your family and friends about this

exciting news. To schedule a visit and explore new opportunities, contact **Vivian Young**, today at vyoung@jbha.org or 610-922-2350.

Israel Reflections: 11th graders who returned from a semester of study in Israel had compelling and heartfelt reflections and memories to share. They will be posted on our website next week. Special thanks are extended to **Samara Gordon, Eli Philip, Jackie Retig** and **Daniel Solway** who shared their thoughts and to **Lena Ladenheim** who shared her photos. **Bev Rosen** is still collecting memories and impressions from returning 11th graders who studied in Israel this year, as well as photos. Email her at brosen@jbha.org

Israel Film Festival Screening at Barrack: Barrack Hebrew Academy will host an **Israel Film Festival of Greater Philadelphia** screening of the award-winning film “**The Beetle**” in our auditorium on **Saturday, March 14, 8:30pm, followed by a dessert reception for the entire audience.** This delightful docudrama takes viewers on a road trip with Director Yishai Orian who is trying to save his 40 year old car- a VW Beetle - from the junk heap when his very pregnant wife declares that she wants a more modern and baby-friendly vehicle. Reviewers hail the film as *entertaining* and *heartwarming*. **Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors. Barrack students are invited free of charge.** Stay tuned for ways to order your tickets.

Exciting Opportunity for “Rising Seniors:” If you are a member of the Class of 2010 and are interested in business and economics, then this is a **summer opportunity** to explore. The program is called *Economics for Leaders* and is presented by the Foundation for the Teaching of Economics, an organization that works with teachers and students in developing teaching materials and instructional programs related to economics education. This is a one-week summer program held on college campuses around the country. **Leslie Pugach**, Middle School Principal, has participated in FTE programs and highly recommends this opportunity. For an application and program details, consult the **FTE.org website. The deadline for applications is March 9, 2009.**

College Selection Night: A panel of college admissions professionals will address parents of **Barrack juniors and all 11th grade students on Tuesday, February 2, 7pm** in our school auditorium. Members of this College Selection panel include Melissa Flak from Muhlenberg College, Deborah Erie from Penn State University, and Beth Downing from the University of Pennsylvania. They will speak about the process of choosing colleges that are a good fit for students.

Barrack Bagels, Coffee and Learning: Join **Rabbi Steven Wernick** when he discusses **Purim** at the next Barrack Bagels, Coffee and Learning session on **Friday, February 6, 8-9:30am** in the conference room located in the Athletic Building. All sessions are free and open to all Barrack parents. Come enjoy stimulating discussions of Jewish holidays and warm camaraderie.

Holocaust Museum Trip: Our 9th grade students will visit the Holocaust Museum in Washington D.C. on **Monday, February 23.**

Senior Class Sale: The senior class is offering **t-shirts and hooded sweatshirts** that depict Barrack Varsity sports that don't exist, but should. In a collaborative effort, the school voted to use the following sports: **Quidditch, Water Polo, Rugby, Squash, and Dance Team.** Please see the order form on the Benainu homepage for pictures of the designs. Submit forms to the front desk no later than **February 9th.** For questions, contact Rachel Schwartz at Rachel.Schwartz@jbha.org

Coffee House: A Barrack Coffee House is scheduled for **Thursday, February 12.** All those interested in performing at the Coffee House please reply via email to Rachel Schwartz '09: rachel.schwartz@jbha.org. All grades are invited to participate in this informal get together

filled with fun, music, food and camaraderie. So plan to spotlight your talent or just come to enjoy the evening.

Egalitarian Minyan: If you are interested in learning more about Barrack's egalitarian minyan, please contact **Sarah Waxman:** swaxman@jbha.org.

The Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia's Kehillah of Delaware County as part of "One Book, One Jewish Community" presents an interactive concert of Jewish music featuring: "The SHUK" is a group of musicians and educators who celebrate the sacred and spirited connection between Jewish identity and music through interactive performances and workshops. Join "The SHUK" for an evening dedicated to the preservation, perpetuation, and innovation of Jewish identity in the 21st century. An excerpt from Got No Jeep and My Camel Died a documentary film about the musical journey of renowned Israeli ethnic musician Yair Dalal, will precede the performance. Committed to carrying on the legacy of Jewish masters of Iraqi music, Dalal has played an important role in shaping the global world music scene. Ami Yares, director of "The SHUK," studied under Yair Dalal and will be joined by David Freeman (Percussion) and Gavri Tov Yares (upright bass).

Saturday, February 14, 2009 at 7:30pm.
The Jack M. Barrack Hebrew Academy
272 S. Bryn Mawr Avenue
Bryn Mawr, PA 19010
\$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, \$15 student rate

For more information and to purchase tickets visit www.jewishphilly.org/shuk or call 610-578-9000

Best Cake Challah Sale: Senior fundraising continues with the sale of freshly baked challot from Best Cake Kosher Bakery. Great for Shabbat dinner, holidays, and everyday snacking. To order, print the form from the Benainu homepage and submit it to **Mrs. Rubin** at the front desk. Thank you!

HSA Reminder: HSA sells kippot and benchers for special events. Please contact **Susan Rosen** at 610-405-5360.

Did anyone say drama?

The Upper School Drama

"THIRD"

by: Wendy Wasserstein

Directed by Georgia Robbins-Gerike '09

February 8 - 11, 2009 7:00pm

Tickets: Adult- \$12

Student/Faculty (limited to one ticket)-\$10

You may send your ticket request to SHOWTIX@JBHA.ORG

Tickets are sold as **GENERAL SEATING** only,
and theatre seats are on a first come first served basis!

"TALE AS OLD AS TIME,
SONG AS OLD AS RHYME
BEAUTY AND THE BEAST"
Auditions for the Upper School Musical

**Disney's
Beauty and the Beast**

Will take place on **Sunday, February 15**

sign ups begin at 1:30 pm

audition begins at 2:00 pm

FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION PLEASE CHECK OUT THE DRAMA WEB PAGE AT
JBHA.ORG

"Come with me and you'll be in a world of Pure Imagination...."

Join Barrack's Middle School

as we journey through the gates of the most famous chocolate factory in the world
with this year's Middle School Musical

Willy Wonka, Jr

March 1 2:00pm followed by an HSA dinner for all families (details to follow)

March 2 @ 7:00pm Tickets go on sale February 16, 2009

השבוע הבא

LOOKING AHEAD:

Jan 25: Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia's Super Sunday

Jan 25: 10th Grade Parent Get Together

Jan 27-28: Finals- no classes on the 28th

Jan 29: SA Ski Trip

Feb 2: College Selection Night

Feb 3: Open House

Muss students have picture day

Feb 6: Barrack Bagels, Coffee and Learning

Feb 8-11: Upper School Drama: *Third*

Feb 12: JBHA Coffee House

Feb 14: The Shuk

Feb 20-22: Senior Shabbaton

Feb 23: 9th Grade Trip to Holocaust Museum

Mar 1-2: Middle School Musical: *Willy Wonka Junior*

May 17-20: Upper School Musical: *Beauty and The Beast*

**If you have news directly related to the Barrack Hebrew Academy family,
please email it to Beverly Rosen at brosen@jbha.org.**