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Pastel portrait , *Chicken*, by artist George Segal,
from current exhibit, *The Land Was Theirs*

*We have
a lot
to crow about
at the
JHMOMC!*



Photo from current exhibit,
The Land Was Theirs
Photo by Milton Edelman



Matzah Making under the guidance of
Rabbi Bernstein



Shofar Workshop led by
Cantor Daniel Pincus

THE JEWISH HERITAGE MUSEUM OF MONMOUTH COUNTY

Preserving the Past, Shaping the Future...



SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, June 2, 2013 11 AM – 2 PM

Jewish Heritage Museum
310 Mounts Corner Drive
P. O. Box 7078, Freehold, N.J. 07728

AGENDA

11:00 AM-Call meeting to order and determine a quorum
Read and approve minutes of 2011 annual meeting
Annual Report; Adoption of Budget; Election of Trustees

11:45 AM-Brunch with us and view our new exhibit,
The Land Was Theirs: The Story of the Jewish
Farmers of Monmouth County

1:00 PM-Program Film: *The Land was Theirs: The Jewish Farmers*
in the Garden State



The JHMOMC is a 501 (C) 3 non-profit handicapped accessible organization.



Proposed Budget Jul'13-Jun'14

INCOME

ADMISSION	1,500.00
DIRECT PUBLIC SUPPORT	
Donations	7,500.00
Federation Grant	
Money	8,000.00
EXHIBITIONS	2,500.00
EDUCATION	750.00
FUND RAISING INCOME	27,120.00
BRICKS	4,080.00
HERITAGE LEAVES	4,800.00
TRIBUTE CARDS	400.00
GRANTS	5,000.00
GENEALOGY	1,500.00
HISTORY COMMITTEE	500.00
INTEREST INCOME	25.00
MEMBERSHIP DUES INCOME	18,000.00
MUSEUM SHOPPE	0.00
PROGRAMS	26,000.00
TIMELINE	6,600.00
TOTALS	114,275.00

EXPENSES

ADMINISTRATION/OPERATIONS	20,000.00
BLDG./FACILITIES/EQUIPMENT	5,000.00
CONTINGENCY FUNDS	4,000.00
DIRECTOR SALARY	20,000.00
HISTORY	600.00
GENEALOGY	2,300.00
Education	3,000.00
EXECUTIVE (Pres Fund)	500.00
EXHIBITS	15,000.00
COLLECTIONS & ACQUISITIONS	1,575.00
MEMBERSHIP	1,000.00
NOMINATIONS (ADVT'G)	500.00
Fundraising Expenses	6,500.00
BRICKS	900.00
HERITAGE LEAVES	1,200.00
Genesis/Heritage Tree	0.00
Miscellaneous Exp	
GRANT EXP	300.00
Professional Affiliations	600.00
PROGRAM	16,000.00
PUBLIC RELATIONS	3,200.00
HERITAGE HIGHLIGHTS	5,000.00
Security	500.00
Timeline Expenses	6,600.00
TOTALS	114,275.00
Net Income	0.00

Co- Presidents Message



Co-Presidents Jeff Wolf and Michael Berman

This year was filled with wonderful programs and exhibits and we look forward to another exciting season of activities at the JHMOMC. We are fortunate to have committed and diligent volunteers who work tirelessly on your behalf. Our Board of Trustees, office staff and docents keep the Museum running smoothly and make the JHMOMC an integral part of the Monmouth County community.

Please join us on Sunday, June 2nd at 11 AM for our Annual Meeting. This is an important meeting for all members to attend, as we will be voting on the proposed budget and slate of nominees for the upcoming fiscal year. Then, enjoy brunch, learn about the Museum, view our new exhibit, *The Land Was Theirs: The Story of the Jewish Farmers of Monmouth County* and see the Gertrude Dubrovsky film, *The Land was Theirs: The Jewish Farmers in the Garden State*. You, our members are the lifeline of our organization and your participation is vital to the success of the Museum.

It has been our pleasure to serve as co-presidents of the JHMOMC for the past two years. We wish much success to the new President(s), Executive Board and Trustees to carry on the mission of the Museum and keep the JHMOMC a vital and vibrant organization in our community.

Michael Berman, Jeff Wolf

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Museum Hours

Sundays

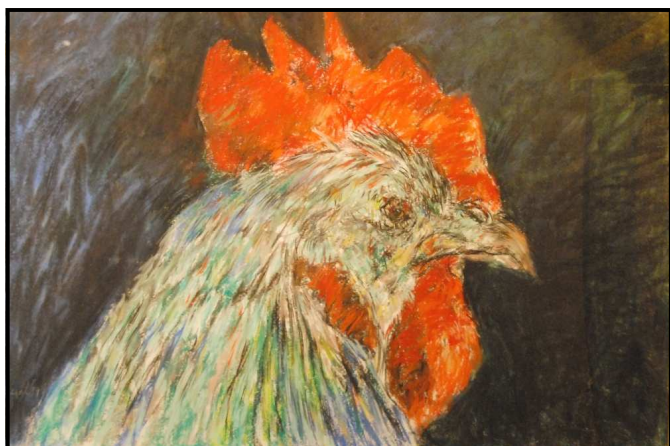
11 am - 3 pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays

10 am - 3 pm

*Last year's proposed budget and current operating budget (2012-2013) will be available at the Annual Meeting

George Segal "Chicken" Comes to Roost at The Jewish Heritage Museum

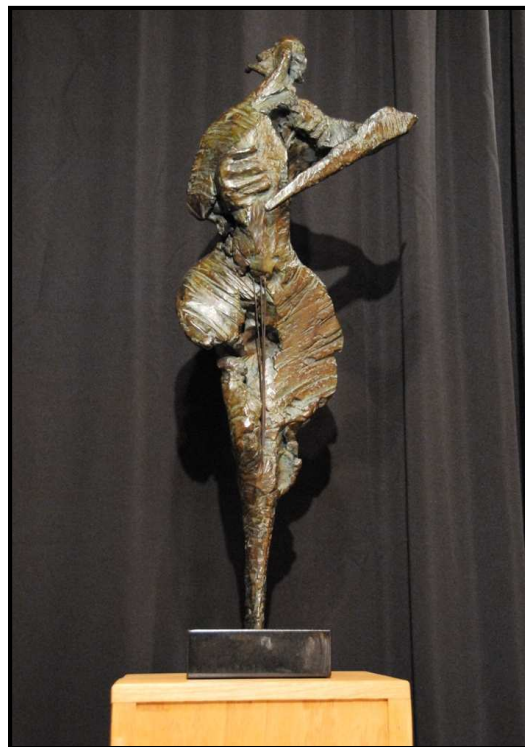


George Segal, *Chicken* pastel portrait

The renowned Jewish American artist George Segal (1924-2000), best known for his casted life-size figure sculptures, lived most of his life on a chicken farm in South Brunswick, New Jersey where the Art Foundation bearing his name still stands. Earlier this year, the Foundation was contacted about loaning the artist's colorful pastel portrait of a chicken (titled "Chicken") to The Jewish Heritage Museum for its current exhibit, **"The Land Was Theirs" The Story of the Jewish Farmers of Monmouth County."**

The Museum's request was graciously granted and "Chicken" (breed unknown) is now one of the highlights of the exhibit which will run through August of this year. Acknowledging the historic Levi Solomon barn as an appropriate setting for this work of "farm art", the Segal family and Foundation have further agreed to let the bird find a final roost at the Museum. The JHMOMC is tremendously grateful for this generous donation to its collection.

Sculptured "Music" Graces the Concert Stage of The Jewish Heritage Museum



Monica Camin, *Music* bronze sculpture

Concerts are among the most popular programs presented by the Jewish Heritage Museum. Our Hayloft Performing Arts Stage has recently been enhanced by the presence of "Music", a striking bronze sculpture donated to the Museum by Monica Camin. "Music", an artful blend of figure and musical instrument, was among the many sculptures, paintings, drawings and memorabilia exhibited in **"The Way I Lived It" The Art of Monica Camin**, the Museum's winter exhibit. The Museum is immensely grateful for this beautiful addition to our collection.

Jewish Heritage Museum's Speakers Bureau Hits the Road

The Museum's Speakers Bureau has been busy this spring presenting a selection of PowerPoint slide shows to various synagogues, historical associations and other organizations around the greater Monmouth County region. We invite you to take advantage of this community service by booking one of the following shows for your group's viewing:

- *Journey to Monmouth: From the Iberian Peninsula (Spain & Portugal) to the New World (45-60 min)*
- *The Story of the Jews of Monmouth County: In Town, At the Shore and On the Farm (30 min)*

- *18th Century Monmouth County Jews: Colonial & Revolutionary Times (30 min)*
- *The Jewish Newport on the Jersey Shore: The history of the German Jews of Monmouth County (45-60 min)*
- *Louise Nevelson: Grand Dame of American Sculpture (45 min)*
- *The Land Was Theirs: Jewish Farmers in the Garden State (55 min) on-site at the museum only*



Loretta Rosen
Speakers Bureau
presenter

Please contact Barbara Michaels, Speakers Bureau Chair at 732-252-6990 for details & booking.

The National Yiddish Theatre-Folksbiene
presentation of
Mama's Loshn Kugel

A collection of classic Yiddish humor
and theater songs.

Join The Jewish Heritage Museum and the Freehold Jewish Center for a festive afternoon of Yiddish and "Yiddishkeit"

"Mama's Loshn Kugel", a collection of classic Yiddish humor and theater songs will be presented by the internationally recognized Folksbiene National Yiddish Theater.

The Yiddish language, is a fusion of modified German, Hebrew-Aramaic, Romance and Slavic dialects, used by Ashkenzai (Central & East European) Jews for the past 1,000 years. Written in the Hebrew alphabet, it helped create and shape an autonomous, popular Jewish cultural community. Literarily a speech community, with a rich folklore, an active press, secular educational system, and a diversified flourishing theater, music, and literary tradition, Yiddishkeit is the

term used to describe the Jewishness, the Jewish way of life of this shtetl- based folk culture. It enabled its Yiddish-speaking members to retain an emotional attachment and a sense of belonging to a supportive warm Jewish community whose food, ethics, humor and sensibilities accompanied them in their various emigrations.

In Monmouth County, most East European immigrants retained the Yiddish language in speech and print through two generations, as synagogue and organizational minutes, programs, and lectures through the 1950s can attest. Yiddish newspapers and magazines circulated widely. The Museum's current Jewish farming exhibit displays copies of the *Yiddish Farmer* magazine, where advice on how to grow corn or raise cows, was available in Yiddish.

This production will be performed in Yiddish with English translation projected on a screen during the performance.

The National Yiddish Theatre-Folksbiene
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Mama's Loshn Kugel

A collection of classic Yiddish humor and theater

Be a Producer

Executive Producer

\$360.00

**Includes 6 premium
reserved tickets
(first 5 rows) and a listing
in the event program**

Producer

\$180.00

**Includes 4 premium
reserved tickets
(first 5 rows) and a listing
in the event program**

Associate Producer

\$90.00

**Includes 2 premium
reserved tickets
(first five rows) and a listing
in the event program**



Featured performers may vary.

**Sunday, June 23, 2pm at the Freehold Jewish Center, 59 Broad Street, Freehold.
\$25 per ticket, (groups of 10 or more: \$20 per ticket), students \$10 .
(Tickets will be held at the Freehold Jewish Center)**



The following poem by former JHMOMC trustee Gloria Sadoff Landy illustrates the emotional power of Yiddish, "the mother tongue."



Viken men zany a muter uhn Yiddish
mayn kind, mayn tayere kind
vahs vayst nicht vi shvayr mayn hartz
farvelt dayn gutz.

Uhn broches uhn lidlach
uhn zaydeh, bubbeh, tanteh, mimmeh,
vas vaysth vegen amulligeh tzayten
amulligeh dayges.

In kayn shtetl hust due gevarten fahr shich
gearbet fahr brayt
A Shayneh vigeleh is gevesen dayn bet
tzu'm langeh yahr
un fuhn dayn fenster
kayn sohne huht arayngibriben

Doo vayst nisht
vahs moost gefinen zach
in dayn neshomeh
mayn kind, mayn tayereh kind.

How can one be a mother without Yiddish
my child, my dear child
who knows not how much my heart
desires your good.

Without blessing, without songs,
no zayde, bubbly or auntie
what know you of ancient sufferings
yesterdays travail.

In no small village have you waited for shoes
toiled for bread
A beautiful cradle has been your bed
to your long life my darling
and from your window
no enemy has crept inside to harm you.

You know not and I cannot tell you
that which you must find
within your soul
my child, my dear child.

Summer Sunday Jewish Farming Programs free admission (donations welcomed)

Sunday, July 14, 1 PM

**A Talk, Tour and Film, complementing the
Museum's current exhibit *The Land Was
Theirs: The Story of the Jewish Farmers
of Monmouth County***

Meet Retired Farmers Josef Bienstock and Mark Siskin. Other farming families, neighbors and friends are invited to participate in the discussion

and share any old photos they may have which depict the Jewish farming experience in the Greater Monmouth area.

Sunday, August 11, 1 PM

18th Century Jews of Monmouth County

A slide show featuring the story of the Solomon, Hart and Judah families, who were merchants and farmers in the late 1700s and early 1800s.

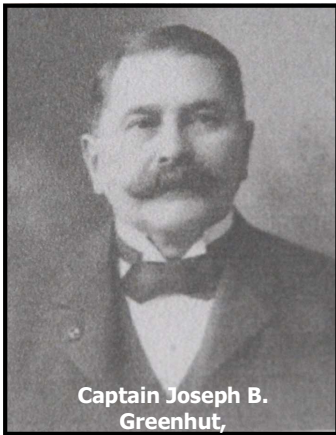


This Bienstock family photo (c 1950s) includes three generations of Monmouth County German-Jewish farmers:

Josef Bienstock (top left), retired; Grandfather Wolf Bienstock from Austria (bottom left), deceased, and Marshall Bienstock (child, second left, front row).

Marshall still farms the family farm on Casino Drive, Howell Township. Wolf and Marshall Bienstock will be at the Jewish Heritage Museum on July 14.

Gettysburg Jews with Monmouth Connections



Captain Joseph B.
Greenhut,

This July marks the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg, which was fought over the course of three hot and terrible days in early July 1863. Gettysburg, a turning point in the Civil War, is the subject of numerous books, articles, films, and even a board game. No one knows exactly how many hundreds of Jews fought at the Battle of Gettysburg, but two of the

Infantry, and became a sergeant within three months. He was severely wounded at Fort Donelson. After recovering, he became the Captain of Company K, 82nd Illinois Infantry, which was headed by the Jewish Colonel, Edward Solomon, which had many Jewish members.

Greenhut fought in numerous battles with this regiment, including Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. During the Battle of Gettysburg, Captain Greenhut was especially heroic on the second day of the conflict. He led a successful Union charge on several houses on the battlefield held by Confederate soldiers, who were using them as a base for attacking Northern troops. Later on, he was commended by the War Department for this service.

Surviving the war, Greenhut moved to Peoria, Illinois, where he was involved in the liquor distilling business, and became known for his civic dedication. Always proud of his military service, Greenhut was active in G.A.R., and was one of three commissioners responsible for the dedication of the monument to the 82nd Illinois on the Gettysburg battlefield in 1981.

Eventually Greenhut and his wife Clara moved to New York City, where he was the owner of a large department store at 18th Street and Sixth Avenue. In 1909, he purchased the beautiful Long Branch estate known as Shadow Lawn, now part of the campus of Monmouth University. In the late summer and fall of 1916, Greenhut offered the mansion to President Woodrow Wilson, and it served as his "summer White House" that year. Joseph B. Greenhut died in New York in 1918.

I have not been able to ascertain how well Dr. Baruch and Captain Greenhut knew each other, or whether they were friends. Certainly they must have been well acquainted, for their wives were both active members of the New York Section of the National Council of Jewish Women. I like to think of the two old soldiers sitting on a veranda on a warm summer day in Long Branch, reminiscing about their Civil War days and perhaps that really was the case. We know they both played a significant role in the Battle of Gettysburg, and stand out as part of Monmouth County's fascinating Jewish heritage.



Dr. Simon Baruch

more famous survivors of that conflict eventually made Long Branch (the "Jewish Newport") their summer home. Dr. Simon Baruch, fought for the South, and Captain Joseph B. Greenhut, served in the Union Army. Their story is part of the rich history of Jewish life in Monmouth County.

Simon Baruch was born in Posen, then part of Germany, in 1840. A Sephardic Jew on his father's side, he came to America at the age of 15 to avoid service in the Prussian army. He attended medical school in Charleston and later Richmond. When the Civil War started, he enlisted as an Assistant Surgeon (later Surgeon) in the Confederate Army. He served in several well-known battles, such as Second Manassas, the Wilderness Campaign, and Antietam, where he was taken as a prisoner of war and later exchanged. In the aftermath of the Battle of Gettysburg, Baruch remained behind as a prisoner of war at the order of General Robert E. Lee, to care for wounded Confederate soldiers. Simon Baruch never forgot the kindly and respectful treatment he was accorded by the commanding Union officers. His son Bernard Baruch later asserted that his father never harbored resentment for the Yankees after the war was over.

After the Civil War, Simon Baruch and his wife, Isabelle, moved to New York City, where he taught medicine at Columbia, and was highly regarded as an expert in the new field of hydrotherapy. In his autobiography, *My Own Story*, Bernard Baruch relates how his parents started summering at the Jersey Shore around the year 1890, when his father became "resident physician at the West End Hotel." The doctor was given two rooms, an office and a bedroom. Bernard, who later became a world-famous financier, would visit from New York on weekends. Later on, the Baruchs acquired a beautiful home in Long Branch. Simon Baruch died in New York in 1921.

Joseph B. Greenhut was born in Austria in 1843. Brought to America at the age of nine, he eventually settled in Chicago, and later Mobile. When the Civil War began, he enlisted as a private in the Twelfth Illinois

by Rabbi Dr. Robert E. Fierstien

"The Land was Theirs" ***The Story of the Jewish Farmers of Monmouth County*** **Opens to a Packed House**

Once upon a time, Monmouth County and the surrounding areas were dotted with poultry farms, enough to earn the reputation, "The Egg Basket of America". The new exhibit, largely based on the book, "The Land was Theirs: The Jewish Farmers in the Garden State" by Dr. Gertrude Dubrovsky, opened on March 20th as a tribute to those farmers. The opening was accompanied with a viewing of the PBS Documentary based on the Dubrovsky book.

The exhibit takes the visitor through the colorful journey these pioneers embarked upon as they settled the land to find a way to make a living in the open space of the country, away from the congestion of the usual immigrant communities. Photographs, text and artifacts tell the story of how with the help of the Jewish Agricultural Society,

the social, educational, religious, political and agricultural needs of those communities were met. The exhibit explores the beginning, apex and eventual decline of this way of life for so many families, which had lasted for many decades. Few farms remain from this episode in New Jersey Jewish history. Many of the attendees at the opening grew up on the farms mentioned in the book and were featured in the documentary. They shared their memories with others as they browsed the exhibit. The Museum takes pride in the opportunity to honor those who provided the "Egg Basket of America". You are invited to come and explore the exhibit and learn about a part of Jewish Monmouth County history. The exhibit will be on display during regular museum hours through early fall.

by Georgine Eberight



Georgine Eberight and Jeff Wolf co-chairs of the exhibit.
Photo by Alan Richman courtesy New Jersey Jewish News



Vintage wooden chicken crate



Various items associated with farmers in Monmouth County



One of the panels telling the story of Jewish farming in Monmouth County

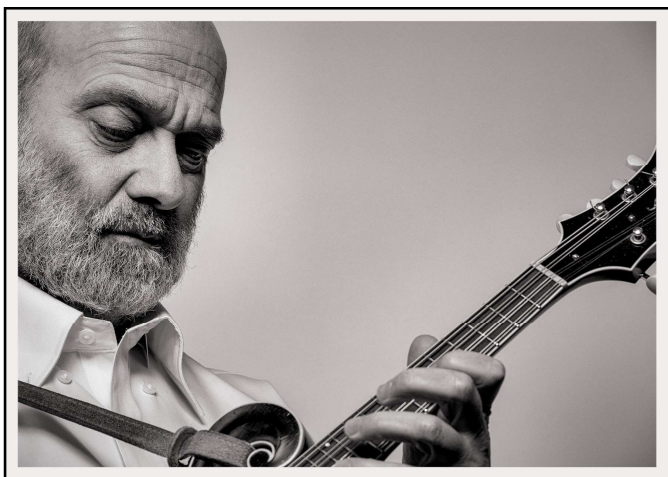


Jean Klerman, history chair, who spearheaded the idea for the exhibit and contributed material, introducing the film, *The Land Was Theirs: The Story of the Jewish Farmers in the Garden State*

More Photos from our Current Exhibit



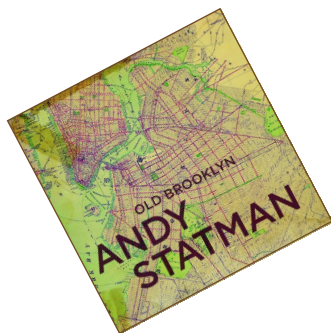
The Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County *presents*



The Andy Statman Trio

Sunday, Oct. 27, 2013 2 PM
members \$22 non-members \$25
students \$18

Join us for an afternoon with award winning mandolin and clarinet virtuoso, *Andy Statman*. Accompanied by *Jim Whitney* on bass and *Larry Eagle* on drums, *The Andy Statman Trio* will take you on an inspirational musical journey featuring the sounds of klezmer, bluegrass and American jazz.



*"Statman is the real thing
a musicians musician"...*
The New Yorker

*"Modern American
music with ancient
mysteries at the core..."*
The New York Times

*"Andy's music is not defined
by denominations, but is a
beautiful sound full of heat, heart and a love of
G-d..."* *Rolling Stone*



solo jazz piano

Bill Charlap

Sunday, Nov. 3, 2013 2 pm
members \$20 non-members \$24
students \$15

Join us for an afternoon of solo Jazz piano with one of the worlds premier pianists. Bill Charlap has performed and recorded with many leading artists of our time, ranging from Jazz masters such as Phil Woods and Wynton Marsalis to singers Tony Bennett and Barbara Streisand. A distant cousin of legendary Jazz pianist Dick Hyman and son of Broadway composer Moose Charlap (Peter Pan) and singer Sandy Stewart, Bill Charlap will share his memories, in words and music, of growing up in a musical home and forging his own career as a professional jazz musician and two time Grammy nominated Blue Note recording artist.

*"Charlap approaches a song the way a
lover approaches his beloved..."* *Time
Magazine*

*"The Greatest Jazz pianist to come
along since Bill Evans" ...* *Tony Bennett*



For further information & tickets, please call the Museum at **732-252-6990**
or visit **www.jhmomc.org** to buy tickets online.
(Tickets will be held at the Museum)

**All performances will be held at the Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County
except where noted.**

The Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County *presents*



The 'Zisl' Slepovitch Klezmer Trio



Holiday Concert

Sun. Dec. 8, 2013 2pm
members \$18 non-members \$20

Multi-talented, Dmitri 'Zisl' Slepovitch returns to the Hayloft Stage with a *frelach* afternoon concert featuring Jewish music from around the world. Join us for a holiday season musical feast for your ears, heart and soul.

For further information & tickets,
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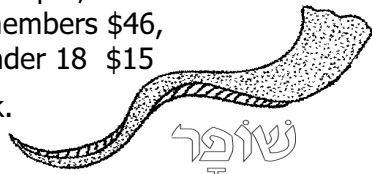


Come Blow Your Horn!

Rosh Hashanah is not that far away. Brush up your shofar blowing with Cantor Daniel Pincus at a "Shofaron".

Sunday, June 30th from 2-5 at the JHMOMC
Focus on beginners: 2-3pm,
members \$36, non-members \$46,
children and teens under 18 \$15

Includes a light snack.



Bring the gift of your new shofar skills to your congregations. Kick it up a notch with good technique and reliable practice routines.

In Memoriam



The Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County would like to acknowledge the recent passing of two participants in the Museum's WWII 65th anniversary exhibit and Oral History project featured at the Museum in 2010. This project recorded the stories of a number of veterans and civilians from the home front. This was a museum wide tribute

recognizing the contributions of Monmouth County's residents to our ultimate victory.

David Metz was recorded at his bicycle museum in Freehold and shared stories about his mother raising money for the war effort as a member of Haddasah. He also talked about working on the family farm to raise food that would support a needy country during the lean war years. He lived in Freehold.

Alvin Schoenfeld was born in Poland and immigrated to America in 1938. He enlisted, serving in Algiers and Italy and finishing his service as a Sergeant in the United States Army. He spoke lovingly of this country and his experiences over seas, as a young man, serving his new country. His two parents and two sisters perished in the Holocaust. He lived in Marlboro.

The Living Voices interviews are available for viewing at the Museum during regular operating hours.



The archiving and celebrating of the stories of Monmouth County's Jewish residents is at the

core mission of the Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County and we are honored to have preserved these greatest generation stories for generations to come.

By Michael Berman

Meet Docent Ellen Rockmaker

There was a dream. The dreamer was Jean Klerman; the rapt listener was Ellen Rockmaker. They both were employees at the Eastern Branch of the Monmouth County Library in Shrewsbury.

The magic of the dream came true when the Solomon Levy barn and farmhouse were moved to its present

site and the barn became The Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County (JHMOMC). Ellen was one of our first docents and is still involved.

This is the setting for Ellen's very special story about her love of books, periodicals and her romance with the printed word.

Imagine working in an environment you love, the world of publishing. After graduating from Hunter College with a BA, she was hired as a secretary at Ronald Press, an industrial publisher of textbooks and sports books. It was where she met her husband, Gordon, who was trained as an engineer and became editor for electronics and technical books. Ellen moved on to Alfred Knopf working in the light contract department and finally at McGraw Hill.

Ellen is a convert to Judaism. She studied at the Jewish Theological Seminary which involved the ritual Mikvah. Why did she convert? Simply because Gordon asked her. They were married at the Conservative Synagogue of 5th Avenue in Manhattan. When I asked Ellen how her parents felt, she said they wished it were different, but they grew to love their son-in-law deeply.

When Ellen and Gordon settled in Freehold, they joined and became active members of Congregation Agudath Achim (Freehold Jewish Center). Gordon passed away in 2004, and Ellen remains a member.

Today, Ellen thoroughly enjoys taking care of her home. There are happy memories and rooms filled with overflowing bookcases. And there is Ari, her grey, black and white tabby cat who rules her home, her domain of books and especially Ellen with great affection.

by Marilyn Kaas



Ellen Rockmaker

Children's Programs are a hit at JHMOMC

The museum is happy to involve our children and young adults in delightful and uplifting programs this year. We owe grateful thanks to our Education Chair, Susan Helfand for making these programs possible.

For Chanukah the children painted menorahs at the Around the Corner Art Center. Chabad installed a large Menorah in the plaza in front of the Museum. There was a huge crowd which included children and parents from many area synagogues happily singing songs and waving flags.

In March our children made matzah under the guidance of Rabbi Bernstein. Trustee Rabbi Dovid Harrison helped facilitate this event. Picture more than 40 children at tables sprinkled with flour, rolling matzah with their own rolling pin, waiting for it to bake, and devouring every last crumb.

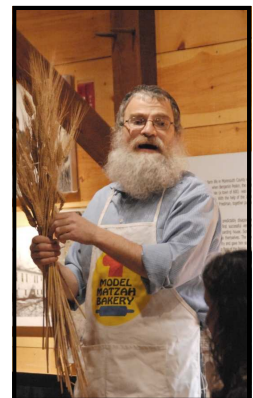


Susan passed out Passover matzah cookbooks for kids and a Passover Seder plate coloring book with crayons. There were children and parents literally wall to wall. Our children and young adults are our future and more programs are being planned.

Thanks again for all your hard work, Susan. It was worth it.



Lighting the Menorah in front of the JHMOMC



Rabbi Bernstein

Save the Date for a Celebration

**Jewish Federation's Annual Meeting
June 18, 2013**

:Join us to celebrate all that we accomplished together during this challenging year at the Jersey Shore.

For information call 732-866-4300

www.jewishmonmouth.org

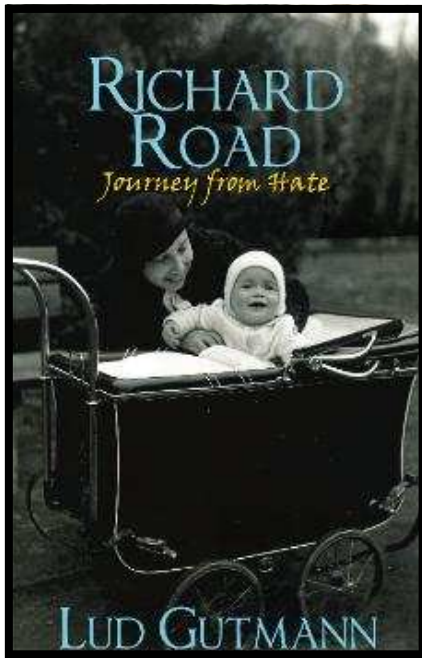


**Jewish Federation
OF MONMOUTH COUNTY**

The Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County *presents*

in conjunction with our
current Jewish farmers
exhibit

Lud Gutmann
author of
Richard Road:
Journey from Hate



Wednesday, May 22, 2013 6:30 PM

Admission: Free

Richard Road: Journey from Hate (2012) is a poignant and entertaining memoir of a young boy and his German-Jewish family, who escape the Holocaust to find a new life on a rural chicken farm on Richard Road in Howell Township, NJ.

an afternoon with
Danny Kaye

**A 100th Birthday
celebration**

Featuring:
Helen Hayes award winner
Brian Childers



Sun., September 29, 2013

2 PM

Members \$20

non-members \$25

groups of 10 or more \$22

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of legendary performer Danny Kaye, The Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County is proud to present award winning actor **Brian Childers** in this high energy performance. Mr. Childers was awarded the Helen Hayes award in 2002 for his uncanny and entertaining turn as the celebrated actor, singer, dancer and comedian Danny Kaye. His performance has been described as "a stellar turn" by the LA Times and "a see it to believe it performance" by Backstage. Sure to be a sell out, purchase your tickets early!

For further information & tickets please call the Museum at 732-252-6990

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(Tickets will be held at the Museum.)

Wanted: Old Photos for Museum's New Book!

"I knew this cup meant a great deal to my father-in-law as Rose had practically raised him (she was the eldest of 7 and he was the baby) while their parents ran the general store in Vegreville in Alberta, Canada. At the time of our Hannah Rose's birth in 1991, he began telling us that she should have the cup. When we moved to New Jersey in 1998, I felt we had no ties to this state. My husband grew up in Calgary and I am from the Midwest. Lo and behold, I have found relatives who served in the Revolutionary War from New Jersey, and then we discovered, years after receiving this cup, that it had been won in Red Bank in 1913, and that my husband's Jewish ancestors had come through Ellis Island and lived in Long Branch until emigrating to Canada! Our historic ties to this area are very surprising to us all." **by Linda Bricker**



"Champion, Better Babies Contest" silver cup awarded to Rose Bricker at the Monmouth County Fair held at Red Bank in 1913

The Jewish Heritage Museum is seeking old images illustrating the Jewish experience in greater Monmouth for its upcoming book, "The Pictorial History of the Jews of Monmouth County." If you have any such photos or documents, please call the Museum at 732-252-6990 or email the pictures directly to the history committee at info@jhmomc.org

Whatchamahoozit

And the answer is...

Thank you to all that participated in the **guess what this is challenge** from our last newsletter,

The item is now on display as part of the Jewish Farmers of Monmouth County exhibit on display in the Museum's main exhibit hall.

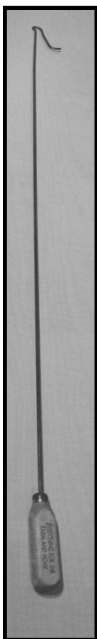
Guesses included the following:

Drapery cleaner, Lantern candle replacer, auto shop fan belt retriever, Coat hanger remover, Bucket retriever, Snake catcher

The correct answer was given by Frank Pinkus and is...Chicken Catcher

Used to grab chickens by the legs and render them helpless and is still in use today.

by Michael Berman



Adele Becker's Memories of Growing up in Monmouth County: an Interview

Adele Becker recently celebrated her 96th birthday. She has been interviewed for the JHMOMC Oral History Project three times. I sat down with her in February to hear more of the wonderful stories that she loves to share and the historical background of her family. For an informative look at the timeline of the Becker family, you can visit the Becker Hardware website. It features excellent family as well as business photographs and explains how one of the oldest businesses in Colts Neck was established.

Adele grew up in Belmar and Long Branch, where she proudly reports that she could walk to school. Her formal Jewish education was in a school called The Talmud Torah on Chelsea Avenue, where her grandmother ran the program. She learned Hebrew in the second grade



Adele Becker

and remembers standing up to ask the Four Questions at a Passover Seder in the Victoria Hotel, led by her grandfather. When she was a girl, her mother Jenny Michelson and her family ran the Scarborough Hotel on Ocean Avenue, a 200-room facility with a kosher kitchen. Her cousins, who included Norman Mailer, would come from Brooklyn for holiday family gatherings with wonderful foods and desserts like homemade pastries called Teiglach. Her maternal family's country of origin was Lithuania. **by Cindy Quitt**

Be A Star!



- Make a short video of yourself (or someone else) preparing a favorite Jewish recipe
- Send some photos of your holiday food table with all the trimmings



These will be featured in "Let's Eat!", our upcoming Jewish Food Exhibit. For more information, please contact Georgine Eberight at geberight@jhmomc.org. Deadline for entries is August 1, 2013.

Be part of our first JHMOMC community cookbook! Share your favorite recipes with us! Include your name or the name of whose recipe you are sharing. Please send to Helene Cohen at helgar37@optonline.net. Deadline for entries is June 30, 2013.

Late Spring/Summer/Fall 2013 Calendar

Sunday	May 19th	2 PM	<i>Fabulous Fanny</i> Songs and stories of Fanny Brice Members \$20, non-members \$25, groups of 10 or more \$22
Wed.	May 22nd	6:30 PM	<i>Lud Gutmann</i> author of <i>Richard Road Journey From Hate</i> Donations appreciated
Sunday	June 23rd	2 PM	<i>Mamas Loshn Kugel</i> A collection of classical Yiddish humor and theater songs (English translation on screen) by the National Yiddish Theater-Folksbein \$25, groups of 10 or more \$20, Students \$10
Sunday	June 30th	2 PM	<i>Shofaron</i> Shofar blowing workshop for beginners and experienced Shofar blowers members \$36,, non-members \$46, children and teens under 18 \$15 For reservations, please call Cantor Daniel Pincus at 917-494-2724 by June 21st.
Sunday	July 14th	1 PM	Meet retired farmers Josef Bienstock and Mark Sisskind A talk and tour of our current exhibit, <i>The Land Was Theirs</i> Donations appreciated
Sunday	Aug. 11th	1 PM	Slide presentation of <i>18th Century Monmouth County Jews</i> featuring the Solomon, Hart and Judah families Donations appreciated
Sunday	Sept. 29th	2 PM	<i>An Evening with Danny Kaye</i> A 100th birthday celebration with stories and songs of Danny Kaye members \$20, non-members \$25, groups of 10 or more \$22
Sunday	Oct. 13th	10:30 AM	Children's Musical Program \$5
Sunday	Oct. 13th	1 PM	Lecture <i>Spinoza's Influence on American Democracy</i> by Dr. David Brahinsky
		3 PM	<i>65th anniversary of Roosevelt, NJ and 25 years of the Roosevelt Art Project tribute concert</i> by the <i>Roosevelt String Band</i> featuring Paul Prestopino (Peter ,Paul and Mary) and David Brahinsky members \$18, non-members \$20
Sunday	Oct. 20th	2 PM	<i>The Way We Were and the Way We Are</i> The Oasis Players A tribute to Marvin Hamlisch, Hal David, Brill Building Jewish composers, composers of Disney films and contemporary music members \$18, non-members \$20
Sunday	Oct. 27th	2 PM	<i>Old Brooklyn</i> by the Andy Statman Trio playing Bluegrass, Jazz and Klezmer Music members \$22, non-members \$25, students \$18
Sunday	Nov, 3rd	2 PM	<i>Bill Charlap</i> Solo Jazz piano concert by world premier pianist Bill Charlap who has performed with Barbara Streisand, Tony Bennett, Phil Woods and Wynton Marsalis Members \$20, non-members \$24, students \$15
Sunday	Dec. 8th	2 PM	<i>The Zisyl Slepovitch Klezmer Trio</i> A <i>freilach</i> afternoon concert featuring Klezmer music from around the world members \$18, non-members \$20

Current Exhibit

The Land Was Theirs: The Story of the Jewish Farmers of Monmouth County

Jewish Heritage Museum Of
Monmouth County
P.O. Box 7078,
Freehold, NJ 07728

Return Service Requested



Program Reservation Sheet

Name: _____ Tel#: _____

Sunday May 19th 2 PM *Fabulous Fanny*

tickets _____ members \$20 # _____ non-members # _____ \$25 groups of 10 or more \$22 # _____ Total \$ _____

Sunday June 23rd 2 PM *Mamas Loshn Kugel*

tickets _____ single tickets \$25 # _____ students # _____ \$10 groups of 10 or more \$20 # _____ Total \$ _____

Sunday June 30th 2 PM *Shofaron* For reservations, please call Cantor Daniel Pincus at 917-494-2724 by June 21st.

Sunday Sept. 29th 2 PM *An Evening with Danny Kaye*

tickets _____ members \$20 # _____ non-members # _____ \$25 groups of 10 or more \$22 # _____ Total \$ _____

Sunday Oct. 13th 10:30 AM Children's Musical Program # tickets \$5 _____ Total \$ _____

**Sunday Oct. 13th 1 PM Lecture-*Spinoza's Influence on American Democracy*
3 PM *Roosevelt String Band 65th anniversary concert***

tickets _____ members \$18 # _____ non-members # _____ \$20 Total \$ _____

Sunday Oct. 20th 2 PM *The Way We Were and the Way We Are*

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tickets _____ members \$20 # _____ non-members # _____ \$24 students # _____ \$15 Total \$ _____

Sunday Dec. 8th 2 PM *The Zisyl Slepovitch Klezmer Trio*

tickets _____ members \$18 # _____ non-members # _____ \$20 Total \$ _____

Please make your check payable to the Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County.
Mail check together with this form to: JHMOMC, Box 7078, Freehold, NJ, 07728

Tickets will be held at the Museum. Tickets are also available online at www.jhmomc.org

Grand Total \$ _____