



Northern New Jersey
Region - Federation of
Jewish Men's Clubs

Presidents Installation Dinner

20-21 Sivan 5777
June 14th, 2017

East Brunswick Jewish Center
East Brunswick, New Jersey

The Board and Officers of the NNJR
welcome all of our Clubs and their
leaders to this year's Presidents
Installation Dinner. The mission of
FJMC is to involve Jewish men in
Jewish life. We hope that this evening
will help fulfill that goal.

Shalom Chaverim!

Hinei Ma Tov U'Manayim

How pleasant it is to dwell together in Unity

PRESIDENTS DINNER COMMITTEE

Dinner Chair / Reservations Steve Harkavy
Program Book David Millman

This Evening's Program

6:00 PM – Check-In / Snacks

7:00 PM – Welcome

Joel Kurtz, Honorary NNJR President, Cong. B'nai Israel, Toms River

Greetings from East Brunswick Jewish Center

Neil Kosher, President of East Brunswick Jewish Center

Anthems: Star Spangled Banner & Hatikvah

D'var Torah

Greetings from the FJMC

Jeff Schulman, NNJR Ma'asim Tovim Honoree

Club Presidents Installation: Outgoing, Continuing, Incoming

Peter Gottlieb, Temple Beth Shalom, Livingston

Dave Mandell, East Brunswick JC, East Brunswick

Jeff Schulman, Congregation Neve Shalom, Metuchen

Mincha service

Discharge & Installation of Region Officers and Trustees

Lance Adelson, Ohev Shalom/Marlboro JC, Marlboro

Al Davis, Highland Park Cons. Temple/CAE, Highland Park

President's Address

Harvey Hershkowitz, Congregation Agudath Israel, Caldwell

8:15 PM – Dinner

9:00 PM – Raffle Drawing

Clubs of the Northern New Jersey Region

BETH EL SYNAGOGUE	East Windsor
B'NAI SHALOM.....	West Orange
CONGREGATION AGUDATH ISRAEL.....	Caldwell
CONGREGATION BETH EL	South Orange
CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL.....	Scotch Plains
CONGREGATION BETH OHR.....	Old Bridge
CONGREGATION BETH SHOLOM	Teaneck
CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL	Millburn
CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL	Toms River
CONGREGATION B'NAI JESHURUN	Staten Island
CONGREGATION B'NAI TIKVAH	North Brunswick
CONGREGATION NEVE SHALOM.....	Metuchen
CONGREGATION TORAT EL	Ocean
EAST BRUNSWICK JEWISH CENTER	East Brunswick
FAIR LAWN JEWISH CENTER/CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL	Fair Lawn
HIGHLAND PARK CONSERVATIVE TEMPLE / CONGREGATION ANSHE EMETH	Highland Park
OHEV SHALOM / MARLBORO JEWISH CENTER	Marlboro
PINE BROOK JEWISH CENTER.....	Montville
SHOMREI TORAH / WAYNE CONSERVATIVE CONGREGATION	Wayne
TEMPLE BETH AHM	Aberdeen
TEMPLE BETH AHM YISRAEL	Springfield
TEMPLE BETH EL.....	Somerset
TEMPLE BETH O'R/BETH TORAH.....	Clark
TEMPLE BETH SHALOM	Livingston
TEMPLE BETH-EL MEKOR CHAYIM	Cranford
TEMPLE EMANU-EL	Closter
TEMPLE ISRAEL	Ridgewood
TEMPLE ISRAEL COMMUNITY CENTER/CONGREGATION HEICHAL YISRAEL	Cliffside Park
TEMPLE SHOLOM.....	Bridgewater
THE JEWISH CENTER	Princeton
WHITE MEADOW TEMPLE.....	Rockaway

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Caldwell

Ma'asim Tovim Honoree



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Cong. Neve Shalom,
Metuchen

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Windsor

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Somerset

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El, Closter

Bob Rohrberger - Temple Israel-
Brandeis Men's Club, Ridgewood

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Jewish Center, E. Brunswick

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WCC, Wayne

Jerry Siskind - Temple Beth
Shalom, Livingston

Past Presidents

Irvin (Bud) Solomon z"l 1974-1976
Temple Beth O'r, Clark

Lou Gourvitz z"l 1978-1980
Temple Beth O'r, Clark

Jerry Trachtenberg z"l 1980-1982
Temple B'nai Abraham, Livingston

Ted Sulzberg 1982-1984
Highland Park Conservative Temple,
Highland Park

Max Resnick z"l 1984-1986
Temple Shomrei Torah, Hillside

Bob Levine 1986-1988
East Brunswick Jewish Center,
E. Brunswick

Harvey Marks 1988-1990
Congregation Beth Israel,
Scotch Plains

Arnie Kohn 1990-1992
Temple Beth El, Somerset

Norm Kurtz 1992-1994
Temple Beth Shalom, Livingston

Morris Roth z"l 1994-1996
Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah, Clark

Harry Grant z"l 1996-1998
Temple Israel, Ridgewood

Stan Schnitzer 1998-2000
Congregation Or Hadash,
Sandy Springs, GA

Lance Adelson 2000-2002
Marlboro Jewish Center, Marlboro

Al Davis 2002-2004
Highland Park Conservative Temple,
Highland Park

Stu Kaplan 2004-2006
Congregation Beth Sholom, Teaneck

Peter Gottlieb 2006-2008
Temple Beth Shalom, Livingston

Eric Weis 2008-2010
Congregation Shomrei Torah,
Wayne

Dave Mandell 2010-2012
East Brunswick Jewish Center,
East Brunswick

Jeff Schulman 2012-2014
Congregation Neve Shalom,
Metuchen

Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs

Quality Club Award Recipients

Beth El Synagogue	East Windsor, NJ
Congregation Agudath Israel	Caldwell, NJ
Congregation B'nai Israel	Toms River, NJ
Congregation Neve Shalom	Metuchen, NJ
East Brunswick Jewish Center	East Brunswick, NJ
Fair Lawn Jewish Center/Cong, B'nai Israel	Fair Lawn, NJ
Highland Park Conservative Temple/CAE	Highland Park, NJ
Ohev Shalom/Marlboro Jewish Center	Marlboro, NJ
Shomrei Torah/Wayne Conservative Cong.	Wayne, NJ
Temple Beth Ahm	Aberdeen, NJ
Temple Beth El	Somerset, NJ
Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim	Cranford, NJ
Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah	Clark, NJ
Temple Beth Shalom	Livingston, NJ
Temple Israel	Ridgewood, NJ
Temple Sholom	Bridgewater, NJ

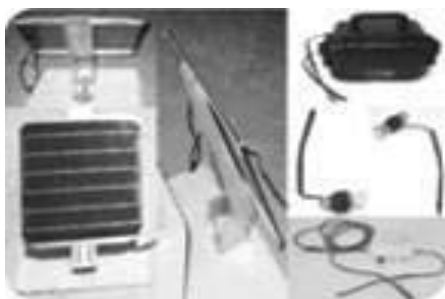
Ask one of the region officers how
your club can receive this award.

Ask us about the FJMC initiatives on Shomrei Ha'aretz (Stewards of the Land)



Soy Shabbat
Eco-Candles

Eco-Plasticware



Solar Ner Tamid



Harvey Hershkowitz

President NNJR

**Men's Club Past President
Congregation Agudath Israel,
Caldwell**

Harvey has been actively involved with the Northern New Jersey Region of the FJMC since 2004. He has held many Region posts including most recently, Executive VP. Harvey has been the Chair of the Region MOY North Dinners for many years. He was the Region's MOY in 2009.

Harvey is a past President of the CAI Men's Club and was the Club MOY in 2006. He is Co-Chairman of the Congregation's Israel Program Committee, which has raised over \$700,000 for worthy projects in Israel through annual CAI Walks for Israel and other fund raising activities. He is a member of the Ritual Committee. He has also served as the Congregation's Treasurer and was Chairman of the Daily Evening Minyan and was a member of CAI's Long Range Planning Committee

One of Harvey's major accomplishments was leading a CAI Men's Club Volunteer Trip to Ofakim and Mirchavim in Israel. This volunteer effort won the Gold First Place Torch Award for Best Israel Support Program at the 2005 FJMC Convention. He has been honored by the State of Israel Bonds and the Congregation for his service to the community and the State of Israel and was presented a Lion of Judah Award.

He is a member of the FJMC Board of Directors.

Harvey is a member of the MERCAZ USA Board of Directors and was an Alternate Delegate of the MERCAZ Slate at the World Zionist Congress held in Jerusalem in 2015

Harvey has BSEE and MS degrees from New Jersey Institute of Technology He retired in 2005 after having worked in the Telecommunications field for over 45 years in significant managerial and technical positions. These included being a President of an independent consulting company and a Vice President of Chase Manhattan Bank.

He lives in Montville with his wife Jeanette.



**OUR
CLUB
PRESIDENTS**

"Leadership, Innovation, Community"

Club	Synagogue	Incoming / Continuing President(s)	Outgoing President
Aberdeen	Temple Beth Ahm	Ira Stein	
Bridgewater	Temple Sholom	Michael Keats	
Caldwell	Congregation Agudath Israel	Al Mahler	
Clark	Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah	Michael Goldstein Michael Miller	
Cliffside Park	Temple Israel Community Center/Congregation Heichal Yisrael	Kimmon Johnson	
Closter	Temple Emanu-El	Evan Schwarz	Adam Mimeles
Cranford	Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim	Lance Kandl Craig Schwartz	
East Brunswick	East Brunswick Jewish Center	Arthur Fliegelman Sheldon Horowitz	Howard Jacobs
East Windsor	Beth El Synagogue	Peter Cheifetz Bob Held	
Fair Lawn	Fair Lawn Jewish Center / Congregation B'nai Israel	Larry Bach	Todd Walker
Highland Park	Highland Park Conservative Temple - Congregation Anshe Emeth	Al Davis	
Livingston	Temple Beth Shalom	Barry Schwartz	Mark Konstandt
Marlboro	Ohev Shalom/Marlboro Jewish Center	Eric Bonett Alan Greenberg	
Metuchen	Congregation Neve Shalom	Lon Dobbs	Stephen Schneider
Millburn	Congregation B'nai Israel	Dan Dovdavyan	
Montville	Pine Brook Jewish Center	Steve Gothelf	

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North Brunswick	Congregation B'nai Tikvah	Andrew Goldberger	
Ocean	Congregation Torat El	Gregg Taffet	Neil Warar
Old Bridge	Congregation Beth Ohr	Ed Mendlowitz	
Princeton	The Jewish Center	Russell Feder	
Ridgewood	Temple Israel – Brandeis Men's Club	Arty Freed	Joe Landau Dave Millman
Rockaway	White Meadow Temple	Jason Weiner	
Scotch Plains	Congregation Beth Israel	David Labush	
Somerset	Temple Beth El	Daryl Jayson	
South Orange	Congregation Beth El	Mike Schloff	
Springfield	Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael	David Glass	
Staten Island, NY	Congregation B'nai Jeshurun	Joel Brimmer	
Teaneck	Congregation Beth Sholom	Norm Levin	
Toms River	Congregation B'nai Israel	Joel Kurtz	Michael Perks
Wayne	Shomrei Torah, Wayne Conservative Congregation	Synagogue Board	
West Orange	B'nai Shalom	Gary Silver	David Gleaner

Ira Stein
Temple Beth Ahm
Aberdeen

Michael Keats
Temple Sholom
Bridgewater

Al Mahler
Congregation Agudath Israel
Caldwell

Alfred L. Mahler is the principal of A. Mahler & Associates, P.A., a CPA firm in Cedar Knolls, NJ. Alfie has been a CPA for over thirty-five years. He was a partner at Bohrer & Company and Richard A. Eisner & Company before starting his own firm sixteen years ago.



Alfie has served as Treasurer of the Metro-New Jersey Chapter of the American Jewish Committee, the Jewish Historical Society of New Jersey, the Wallenberg Foundation of NJ, Inc., and the 2001 Bret Schundler for Governor Campaign. He has also served as a member of the Board of Kessler Institute.

Alfie lives in Livingston, NJ with his wife, Jeanette Paktor and his mother-in-law, Helen Paktor. He has three children; Leonora, a Latin teacher at St. Lukes School in New Canaan, CT; Ian, an Aeronautical Engineer at Boeing Company; and Austin, an Attorney and Barrister, a member of the Bar in New York and the United Kingdom.

Michael Goldstein
Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah
Clark

Michael continues on as co-President, busily guiding the club as it works on many programs including: the Pancake Breakfast; Build Sukkah; Men's Health speakers; Yom HaShoah Candle Program; World Wide Wrap; and Casino Night fund raiser.

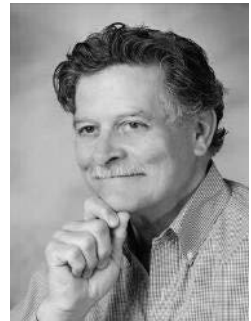
Michael Miller
Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah
Clark

Michael W. Miller Ph. D. is in his fourth round as a TBO-BT president. He has been a member of the club since 1982 and served in all positions except treasurer. He has concentrated on Programming. Mike is an Environmental Analytical Chemist, retiring after 21 years as a Quality Assurance Office for the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. He is active in the National Environmental Laboratory Council writing laboratory and field sampling standards. Currently Mike is chairman of the FJMC Shomrei Ha'Aretz program. He lives in Westfield, New Jersey with his wife Suzanne (social worker for Jewish Family Service Clifton-Passaic. Daughter Prina is a Seismological Staff Scientist living in Socorro, NM. Daughter Tamara is a Wildlife and Ecology Manager living in Indianapolis, IN.



Kimmon Johnson
Temple Israel Community Center/Congregation
Heichal Yisrael
Cliffside Park

Kimmon Johnson (known to his family, friends and very few enemies as Kim) is Temple Israel Community Center's first Man of the Year. He moved to New Jersey in 2003. A native Texan and an entrepreneur, Kim has spent four decades in the business world. His experience spans the international oil and gas industry, as well as the commercial construction and auction industries.



Kim (aka Aryeh) became a member of Temple Israel at the beginning of 2013. Since that time, he has become an integral linchpin of the congregation, ever present in the synagogue. From coordinating food to overseeing finances, Kim is the man on the spot. Together with Rabbi Shammai Engelmayer, Kim is deeply involved in growing the "TICC" community in Cliffside Park and surrounding areas.

Kim has one daughter and lives in Maywood with the love of his life, Toni Peleg.

Evan Schwarz
Temple Emanu-El
Closter

Evan Schwarz lives in Tenafly, NJ with his wife, Jocelyn and two daughters. He is an avid sports fan, loves to cook, and has enjoyed getting involved at Temple Emanu-El in Closter for the past eight years. Evan is a Prosthodontist, a dentist specializing in esthetics, implants and full mouth reconstruction in Manhattan. He is excited to be part of this wonderful group.



Lance Kandl
Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim
Cranford

Lance Kandl grew up in Elizabeth, New Jersey and his parents always made sure that Judaism, education, and hard work were to be cherished. He graduated from Kean College in 1981 with a bachelor's degree. In 1984 he began working for the Union County Division of Social Services. After holding various positions at the Union County Division of Social Services, he is now a social work supervisor. Lance is a certified social worker. In addition to working at the UCDS, he and his brother, Philip, run a family business.



Lance is married to Phyllis, and they have been married for 28 years. Lance has been a member of Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim since 1988 and Phyllis has literally been a member of Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim for all of her life. Lance and Phyllis began a Temple based program, called Beth-El Lites, for younger Jewish couples, in 1988, and the program continues today. Lance and Phyllis ran for many years a Dec 25 program at the Temple, so that Jews would have a place to go on that day. Lance and his wife have coordinated the Annual Temple Membership Picnic for over 15 years. He has participated in manning the Temple's outreach booth at the various street fairs.

Lance has been a Temple board member for many years, serving one year as a vice president. For two years, he served as the head of the Temple Budget committee. He has also served on the nominating

committee.

Lance has always been available to cook for the Men's Club dinners. He has assisted in putting up the Temple sukkah.

Lance's wife, Phyllis, is the director of the Hemophilia Program at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center and administrator of a federally sponsored sickle cell program. Lance has tried to impart to his two sons the values that he was given by his parents. Douglas, 25 years old, is presently working for the Dept of Defense in Augusta GA and got married on June 21 2015. Matthew, 21 years old, is studying biomedical engineering at Stevens Institute of Technology and is doing research at the University this summer.

One of Lance's goals is to outreach to the community about how Judaism can be a powerful, positive force in one's life, emphasizing morality and compassion. Lance also wants to promote to everyone the importance of having a strong and vibrant State of Israel.

Craig Schwartz
Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim
Cranford



Craig has been a lifelong member of Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim (TBEMC) and has lived his entire life in Cranford. From the earliest age he was educated at the temple, attending the nursery and religious schools before being Bar Mitzvah'd here. He is honored to serve as co-president of the TBEMC Men's Club with Lance Kandl.

Craig is currently serving for the tenth consecutive year on the TBEMC Board of Education in the capacity as its Treasurer. Previously, he served on TBEMC's Finance Committee, the Cantor / Education Director Search committee and the Nominating Committee. During the past year he helped perform several audits of the Temple's internal organizations as a member of the Audit Committee.

Craig has been married to his wife Rachel for the past sixteen years. They have two beautiful children: eleven-year-old Jessica and eight-year-old Joshua. Rachel serves on TBEMC's Board of Trustees.

In 1993 he received a bachelor's degree in accounting from Rider

University. He also earned a master's degree in taxation from Rutgers University. Craig is a Certified Public Accountant in both New Jersey and New York. He co-owns an accounting firm (Schwartz & Schwartz Public Accountants PA) in Clark with his father, who is also a TBEMC member.

Arthur Fliegelman
East Brunswick Jewish Center
East Brunswick



Arthur Fliegelman is a Senior Financial Analyst specializing in the insurance industry in the New York office of the Office of Financial Research, part of the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Previously, Arthur was a program manager in the NAIC's Capital Markets Bureau; served as a lead life insurance analyst for Moody's Investors Service for 14 years covering a portfolio of some of the largest life insurers in the industry; was a member of Salomon Brothers' fixed income research department for 11 years where he specialized in insurance company related issues; and was in CIGNA's investment department for 5 years. Arthur has been the author of many industry research reports covering a wide span of topics including insurance company regulation and financial reporting, portfolio analysis, surplus notes, and the credit impact of a company's corporate form. Arthur is a CFA Charterholder, a member of the New York Society of Security Analysts, and for many years has been chair of the NYSSA's Financial Reporting and Analysis Group. Arthur has an MBA in finance and insurance from The Wharton School and a BA in economics from the University of California, Los Angeles.

Arthur and his wife Janet have three children, J.J., Oren and Mindy. All three graduated from Golda Och Academy in West Orange. Janet is Chief Operating Officer for the NJ Y Camps, the largest Jewish camp complex in the world with over 7,400 annual participants in their wide variety of activities. The Fliegelmans have lived in East Brunswick for the last 22 years. In addition to EBJC, Arthur has also been actively involved with two local NJ Federations and the Solomon Schechter Day School of Raritan Valley.

Sheldon Horowitz
East Brunswick Jewish Center
East Brunswick

I was born and raised in Brooklyn. Married to my lovely wife Diana Feuerman in 1973. We have 2 children Matthew & Michele. Moved to Manhattan in 1973 and lived there for 10 years. I was on the executive board of the Town & Village Synagogue where there was no Men's Club. Moved to East Brunswick in 1983 and Joined EBJC and its Men's Club immediately. I earned a Bachelor's and a Master's degree in Chemical Engineering. I worked for Revlon and Colgate-Palmolive companies. Retired in 2007 and the past 2 years have worked as an Adjunct at the City College of New York, teaching senior chemical engineering student. I have held many executive positions on the EBJC's Men's Club Board.



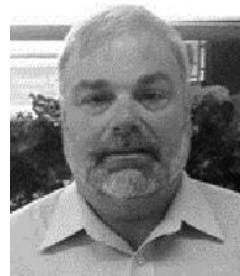
Peter Cheifetz
Beth El Synagogue
East Windsor

Peter will continue to work with Bob Held to lead the club through the next year's busy calendar with many exciting programs including the Passover Wine Sale; Men's Club Shabbat; Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle Program; World Wide Wrap; Laser Tag; Sukkah Building/Take Down; Mystery Road Rally; and BBQ & Family Fun Day.



Bob Held
Beth El Synagogue
East Windsor

Bob Held, a perpetual volunteer all his life, has been a member of Beth El Synagogue for the last 26 years. During that time, when not involved at the synagogue, he has volunteered on the East Windsor Rescue Squad and for the past thirteen years, served on the Juvenile Conference Committee of East Windsor.



He has served in many leadership roles in both organizations. He was honored when asked by club co-presidents to be the next President of the Beth El Synagogue Men's Club. He continues to take the club to the next level.

Larry Bach

**Fair Lawn Jewish Center/Congregation B'nai Israel
Fair Lawn**



Larry Bach will be installed as President of the Fair Lawn Jewish Center/Congregation B'Nai Israel Men's Progress Club on Friday, June 16th. He served as Executive Vice President for the last two years, and also served as the Club's Vice President of Religious Affairs. Larry has been actively involved in the Men's Progress Club over the past 5 years starting with his volunteering to be on the 70th anniversary luncheon committee.

Larry grew up in Seasingtown, NY, where he became a Bar Mitzvah at the East Nassau Hebrew Congregation. He and his wife, Nancy, have lived in Fair Lawn since 2005 and have Triplet Sons, Aaron, Kevin and Joshua who will become B'nai' Mitzvah at the FLJC in early 2018. Larry is a Senior Relationship Manager at Principal Financial Group working within Retirement and Investor Solutions division. Larry started his volunteerism as a coach with Fair Lawn All Sports, starting in soccer then baseball. Larry is very proud to become the next President of the Men's Progress Club, following in the steps of many past presidents who are still active board members. Larry would like to congratulate Todd Walker for his outstanding service as President over the past two years and hopes to have his guidance for the upcoming years.

Al Davis

**Highland Park Conservative Temple/
Congregation Anshe Emeth
Highland Park**

Barry Schwartz
Temple Beth Shalom
Livingston



Barry Schwartz is a native New Jerseyean who grew up in West Caldwell. He received his Jewish upbringing from Camp Ramah and United Synagogue Youth as a local, regional, and national officer. After graduating with his Bachelor's Degree from Muhlenberg College and his Master's Degree from Seton Hall University, Barry began his career as a special education teacher in several school districts across New Jersey. He continues to teach today.

In addition to running Barry School Entertainment, Barry was a USY Advisor for Temple Beth Shalom in Fair Lawn and Temple Beth Ahm in Springfield. After his family moved to Livingston, he reinstated El Al, the 4th and 5th grade youth group for Temple Beth Shalom in Livingston. Barry also joined the Men's Club and the Temple Youth Commission. After serving as Secretary, Programming VP and Fundraising VP, Barry has accepted the position of President for the 2017-2019 term.

Barry is married to Lisa Mayer, a professor at Bergen County College in Paramus. They have been married for 28 years and have two daughters, Rebecca and Michelle.

Eric Bonett
Ohev Shalom/Marlboro Jewish Center
Marlboro



Eric was born in Brooklyn, New York. His parents and three young sisters moved to Manalapan when he was 11. They bypassed Staten Island completely. Eric had no choice but to follow. He went to Hebrew school 4 days a week plus Sunday mornings and spend the summers at the Hebrew Education Society. Eric has belonged to Orthodox, Reform and Conservative synagogues. He was Bar Mitzvahed at Sons of Israel, then, that same year joined Shaari Emeth. He has been a member of Marlboro Jewish for 15 years. Eric attended Trenton State College where he majored Business Administration – Accounting. He earned his CPA (constant pain in the ass) and worked for several small accounting firms before going private

then migrating to technology and his own technology firm.

Eric and his lovely wife Michelle crossed Route 9 moving from Manalapan to Marlboro in 1994 shortly before the birth of their first child. They have 2 children, Dalia born in 1994 and Matthew in 1997.

At Marlboro Jewish Eric was member of the Membership and Technology Committees and sat on the board of trustees. One of his other hats is a photographer and has documented many special events over the years. His classic rock band 40 WiNX can be found playing in and around Belmar and has provided music as several social events and Purim Spiels. He wishes to thank his fellow Men's Club members for this honor.

When not on the job or at the Temple, Eric manages to relax by bicycling and Scuba diving when he can.

Alan Greenberg
Ohev Shalom/Marlboro Jewish Center
Marlboro



Alan is returning as the Co-President of Marlboro Jewish Center for his second year. During the year, the MJC Men's Club has continued many of our annual events such as Sukkah Building and our annual Sports Bar in the Sukkah, MOY and YOY, Hanukkah party, World Wide Wrap, Yellow Candle and this year hosting the Sefer Haftorah. This summer we will support our Temple Membership drive and host our Summer pool party & BBQ. Alan created Haimisha Helper which assists members of our community who need some extra help around their home, this program has been submitted for a Torch Award.

Alan is married to Stacy and will be celebrating their 28th Anniversary this summer. They have a 20 year old daughter Eliana and they make their home in Freehold. He is a National Sales Manager for Signorello Estate from Napa and represents Signorello Estate, Fuse, Edge and Trim Cabernet.

Alan will be attending the FJMC Convention this summer and is looking forward to meeting all of you and learning how to make our club even stronger.

Lon Dobbs

Congregation Neve Shalom
Metuchen



It is not easy to describe Lon E. Dobbs in only 500 words, but I will make my best attempt. As his Hebrew name, *Ariya Leiv*, denotes, he has the spirit of a lion like Moshe Dayan and the heart of a Dr. Chaim Weizmann. Being both a Jew and a Brooklynite, as a child, he was raised a Brooklyn Dodgers fan, even though the beloved team moved to the left coast a decade before he was born.

He lives in Metuchen with his beautiful wife, two lovely daughters, and his faithful canine Dobby. When not at work, with his family, cooking, or volunteering, he can be found training for an upcoming mud run. He is a life-long sports fan and his hero worship of athletes has allowed him to meet and befriend many players while amassing a decent autograph collection.

While attending High School, he stumbled his way into a job at the local kosher deli-restaurant. His time working in the kitchen fanned flames of passion towards the culinary arts that have lasted throughout his lifetime. However, after obtaining a BS in Business, a Law Degree, and a Masters in Publishing, he put this knowledge to use and has toiled the past two decades as a training manager and senior editor in the exciting field of professional publishing.

As a provocateur of words, Lon also enjoys writing. He is a contributor to Neve Shalom's newsletter, writing a monthly article on food, history, and Judaism. Although he had only joined the Men's Club a few short years ago, he has actively been a force in cultivating positive change in the Men's Club, Neve Shalom, and the community. His culinary skills have significantly raised the bar for food-related events to new heights. For example, last year's International Pasta Night featured *salsa di burro con pomodoro* from Italy; *Thai noodles with sesame sauce* from Thailand; and from Yom Yisrael, *pitim* (Israeli couscous with wild mushrooms and shallots). The sliced steak on garlic bread for the annual Steak and Spirits in the Sukkah event was phenomenal. Lon has also been involved at Neve Shalom outside the kitchen in various capacities, including everything from improving communications and membership, to Executive VP of the Men's Club, to organizing various events, including Minyan n' Motion; a new program he created to bring

together the physical and spiritual well being of the congregants. Besides all this, last year he also completed the *Sulam for Emerging Leaders* program.

As the next President of the Men's Club, Lon is looking forward to continuing on with the strong leadership of his predecessors. With their guidance, he hopes to continue bringing strong programming to Neve Shalom (both existing and new programs that he is working on) that will adhere to the mantra of ***One Community***, which is the core mission of Neve

Dan Dovdavany
Congregation B'nai Israel
Millburn

Dan Dovdavany has been Men's Club President at Congregation B'nai Israel in Millburn, NJ since July 2016. Born in Brooklyn (Canarsie) and raised in Staten Island, Dan attended the Jewish Foundation School of Staten Island and became a bar mitzvah at Congregation B'nai Israel of Staten Island. A graduate of the Prozdor high school program at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, Dan attended Cejwin Camps in Port Jervis, NY and B'nai B'rith Perlman Camp in Starlight, PA during the summers of his youth. Dan is a graduate of Cornell University and the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law and is an attorney at an international pharmaceutical company in Bridgewater, NJ. He and his wife Ruth live with their sons, Jonah and Raffi, in Millburn, NJ.



Steve Gothelf
Pine Brook Jewish Center
Montville

Steve has been a member of the PBJC for over 30 years and has been a member of the Men's Club for over 25 years. He has served on the Men's Club Board for the past 22 years in several capacities, including Treasurer, Vice-President and has been the President for the past 10 years. Some say that he does such a great job that he just might be President for life. Thus, Steve will be continuing as the



Men's Club President for the new year 2017-2018.

Under Steve's leadership the PBJC Men's Club continues to flourish. He has spearheaded many of the club's activities and events including several new programs such as the ever popular "Wine Tasting" at the Purim Carnival and "Scotch Tasting 101". Under his leadership the club runs successful Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle, World Wide Wrap programs, Family Bowling and the annual Passover Wine Sale. They also participate in the competitive Essex & Morris County Temple Softball league.

Steve is also responsible for the Men's Club's famous breakfasts. These breakfasts are always well attended and are the cornerstone of the Men's Club. The breakfasts always feature special guest speakers or entertainment in addition to a smorgasbord of culinary delights. It's not uncommon to have 100 men attend the breakfasts!

Steve has also served on the Pine Brook Jewish Center's Board of Trustees, is a former "Man-of-the-Year", and in his spare time is an avid racquetball player.

Steve Lives in Montville NJ with his wife Judy. They have two sons; Robbie (28) and Danny (31) who was married recently to Lindsey. Steve's office is in NYC where he works in the corporate marketing and communications industry.

Andrew Goldberger
Congregation B'nai Tikvah
North Brunswick

Andrew Goldberger has taken an active role in Congregation B'nai Tikvah Men's Club since becoming a temple member in 2014. In 2015/16, as Men's Club representative to the Board of Directors and V.P. of Communications, Andrew helped to reinvigorate the Men's Club through targeted publicity and by building relationships throughout the many facets of the congregation. This transferred into successful, well-attended, multi-generational events. In 2016/17 and through 2017/18, Andrew has served as President of the CBT Men's Club, continuing to expand Men's Club programming and participation. Additionally, Andrew now serves on the temple's Executive Board as V.P. of School and Youth. Andrew, an educational publishing executive,



and his wife, Melanie, an ESL teacher, live in East Brunswick, NJ with their two sons, Ethan and Jeremy, ages 9 and 12.

Gregg Taffet
Congregation Torat El
Ocean

Gregg grew up in Colonia and graduated from Rutgers College in May of 1983. He has been a member of Congregation Torat El for 21 years. He lives in Tinton Falls with his wife Alissa. He has one son, Ryan. Gregg is the Eastern Sales Manager for Lamb Weston Foodservice covering the USA and Canada. In his spare time he enjoys boating and fishing out of the Sandy Hook Area on the Jersey Shore (yes you are welcome to come any time), as well as rooting for the Mets and Jets.



Ed Mendlowitz
Congregation Beth Ohr
Old Bridge

Ed is serving a 4th term of his 2nd stint as president of the Beth Ohr Men's Club. Previously he was president 1999 to 2002. He also served as president of the Congregation from 1992 through 1994.



Ed has been intricately involved in his Shul for almost 30 years because he believes the strength of Judaism rests with the local synagogues. For five years Ed sent a weekly email One Minute Dvar Torah to over 400 people and has published a book with his first four years' drashas. He plans on having an updated book published in the next year. Ed and his family donated a Holocaust Torah to Beth Ohr.

Ed has been honored for his activities supporting Jewish causes by State of Israel Bonds (1978), Bnai Brith (1986), Congregation Beth Ohr (1995) along with his wife Ronnie, and as the Beth Ohr FJMC Man of the Year (2007).

Ed is a CPA and partner at WithumSmith+Brown, and has been designated as a personal financial specialist, accredited in business valuation, and is certified in financial forensics. He is the author of 17

professional books, over 500 articles and is the winner of the Lawler Award for the best article published in the AICPA's Journal of Accountancy in 2001. He is a recognized authority on business management and succession planning having written books, many articles and given numerous speeches on those subjects. He is on the panel of experts for Bottom Line/Personal and the Journal of Accountancy's Business Valuation Resource Group. His most recent book published in April is Power Bites: Short and to the point management, leadership and lifestyle advice I give my clients!

In his spare time Ed is a noted collector of first day and presidential inauguration covers. He has award winning exhibits and has published cachet envelopes since 1958 and continues his hobby of creating new art forms on the envelopes. This past Hanukkah he published two first day cover envelopes designed by noted artist and Judaica collector and Club member Seymour Nussenbaum, and used the covers as a successful fund raiser for the Beth Ohr Men's Club. He also collaborated with Seymour for a special cachet envelope and official Post Office cancellation commemorating the 200th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth and 100th anniversary of the Lincoln Penny designed by Victor D. Brenner, a Jew; and a cachet and official postmark for the two Jewish Supreme Court Justices that were honored on postage stamps this past September.

Ed's wife Ronnie is similarly active in Beth Ohr having served on the Board and is currently the Treasurer of its Sisterhood. Their son Andrew is a journalist and the author of Ireland's Professional Amateurs, a book about the cultural interaction of sports and community in Ireland. Their son Richard, a stock trader, is married to Amy, a CPA, and they are the parents of Samuel Ethan.

Russell Feder
The Jewish Center
Princeton

Arty Freed
Temple Israel and Jewish Community Center
Ridgewood

Arty Freed has lived and been active in the Village of Ridgewood for 30 years. He has served on the Board of Directors at Temple Israel and chaired their Ways and Means annual fundraiser for several years. Arty's next role is incoming President of the Brandeis Men's Club. Arty has also been an active volunteer in the Village of Ridgewood having chaired the Ridgewood High School Graduation event for his son Michael.



His wife Beth is a top Realtor in town. In addition to Michael, their eldest daughter Pamela lives in New York City. Arty has worked in advertising at Bloomberg Media for the past 16 years.

Jason Weiner
White Meadow Temple
Rockaway

Dave Labush
Congregation Beth Israel
Scotch Plains

Dave was born and raised in New York with Brooklynese as his first language. He graduated from Cornell University in '97 with a degree in Industrial and Labor Relations. In '99 he married his wife Jill, who is a chiropractor. They moved to Scotch Plains in '08 and joined Congregation Beth Israel. Shortly after joining CBI, Dave became very involved in the Men's Club and was elected as 2nd Vice President. He has contributed to Men's Club in multiple ways including new activities like Family Football Parties and Scotch & Suckah events. Dave is always volunteering to help around CBI and any congregant in need. He has also taken on many other CBI roles such as Trustee, Head of Buildings & Grounds and Challah Delivery. Both of his sons, Zach and Matty attend CBI's religious school. Zach



celebrated his Bar Mitzvah at CBI last year.

Dave is very involved in the general community. He is a Scout Leader, multi-sport little league coach, Rotarian and Chamber of Commerce member to name a few. Dave enjoys cooking and entertaining so his home is frequently open to friends. He also a pet-lover, likes going out to explore and a really enjoys a good laugh. When not volunteering or cooking, Dave works as a Commercial & Residential Realtor with Coldwell Banker based out of Westfield.

Darryl Jason
Temple Beth El
Somerset



Darryl Jayson grew up in Somerset, New Jersey with his family and has been a member of Temple Beth El since 1972.

Following his bar mitzvah at Temple Beth El in 1977, he worked for 7 years with Temple Beth El's in-house catering service which hosted the temple's events and provided food during its charitable operations. Darryl is currently the Temple Beth El's Men's Club President, a Temple Beth El board trustee, and editor of the Shofar, Temple Beth El's monthly newsletter.

Darryl graduated from the University of Delaware in 1986 with a Bachelor's degree in economics and from Rutgers University in 1989 with a Master's degree in economics. For the past 20 years, he has served as Vice President for TMA, a trade association located in Princeton, New Jersey. Darryl and his wife Lana, who is also active in Temple Beth El, have one son, Daniel.

Over the past 16 years, Darryl has been a member of Temple Beth El's men's club with the last seven years serving as manager for one of the temple's two softball teams.

Darryl is an avid Mets and Jets fan and an avid music lover.

Mike Schloff
Congregation Beth El
South Orange

Mike, Liz and their two children, Noah and Gabriella, joined Congregation Beth El in 2007. Mike attended Men's club events but was not very involved until one Shabbat dinner during synagogue renovation in 2009, the president asked Mike to design and build a temporary sukkah. Mike enjoyed building with others and the congregation is still using this sukkah.



Mike then moved to the board, executive board and then president of Men's club in 2012. Since then, the club has grown significantly and Mike enjoys seeing congregants exchange "experience for enthusiasm" across and within generations. The club has members ranging from their early 30's to 80's and is a warm, supportive group.

Mike recently moved from a 20 year career as a digital marketer to teaching and building a woodworking education business called Maplewoodshop. He enjoys seeing people develop confidence and creativity using their hands.

David Glass
Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael
Springfield

David is the President of the Springfield Men's Club and a Past-President of Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael in Springfield. David's goal for Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael is to achieve excellence and sustainability to ensure a vibrant future for the Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael community. He continues to serve the Temple in many capacities; most notably as the Co-Chairman of the Temple's LaDor VaDor Capital Campaign that has already raised \$1.15 million. David's service to the Jewish community did not begin with his service to Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael.



David has also served as the Youth Director at Temples Beth El and Oheb Shalom in South Orange as well as the Pine Brook Jewish Center

in Montville, NJ. His service as a Youth Director led to award winning USY chapters in both communities. David also served as a religious school teacher at Congregation Neve Shalom in Metuchen and at Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael.

David enlisted in the United States Navy from 1986 to 1994. While serving in the Navy, David served the Jewish community as a Jewish Lay Leader (an official designation) on the USS Lasalle and the USS Suribachi. As such, he conducted Shabbat and holiday services for his fellow Jewish servicemen; including the conducting of a Passover Seder on the USS Lasalle while the ship was in port in Muscat, Oman.

David is a war veteran having served 3 tours in the Persian Gulf during both the Iran-Iraq War and the first Persian Gulf War. As a rescue and assistance firefighter, he was called as a first responder to the USS Stark after she was attacked by Iraqi warplanes on 17 May, 1987. Upon completion of naval service, David returned to New Jersey to pursue his education.

David holds a BA in History from Montclair State University, and an MBA in Nonprofit Management from Touro University Worldwide. David teaches Social Studies at Parsippany High School. He is married to Lisa Harris Glass and they have lived in Springfield since 2000. Their daughter, Carolyn (20) is a Junior at Binghamton University. Their son, Jonah (14) is a Freshman at Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield.

Joel Brimmer
Congregation B'nai Jeshurun
Staten Island, NY

Joel Brimmer will be continuing as President of Congregation B'nai Jeshurun in Staten Island.

Joel and his wife Sharon have been temple members since 1989; and Joel has been involved with the Men's club since 1993. They have two sons; Scott a lawyer and Craig a teacher.



Joel has held many positions at the club level including President, Treasurer and Membership. This is his third term as President. Joel was President from 1999 to 2003 and from 2009 to 2013. His new term began in 2015. Joel is also a trustee on the regional level.

Joel has chaired the Yellow Candle and World Wide Wrap Programs. He has organized many other programs for CBJ such as the Art Auction, Scotch and Steak BBQ, trips to the Staten Island Yankees for Jewish Heritage Night, Texas Hold-Em tournaments and the Men's Health Forum.

Joel retired from Depository Trust Clearing Corporation where he was a senior analyst.

Norman Levin
Congregation Beth Sholom
Teaneck

I was elected to the presidency at a hastily assembled first meeting in February 2015. I have been a professional synagogue Executive Director for eight years and committed to Am Yisroel. Last year, our club held its first Men's Club Shabbat in decades and participated in serving dinner at our county shelter. A proponent of radical change in the structure and body of Tefilah, I saw an opportunity for the men in our shul to move beyond scotch and cigars to enacting Tikkun Olam. I want to thank Alan Eras, our outgoing president, for his energy and commitment in holding us together for more years than he ever expected to be 'blessed' by this role.

Joel Kurtz
Congregation B'nai Israel
Toms River

Joel Kurtz became involved with Men's Club 13 years ago when he started a Men's Club at Congregation B'nai Israel in Toms River and became its first club president. He served as president for 2 years and has remained active in his club ever since. This year, he will once again become club president.



Joel joined the board of the Northern New Jersey Region of the FJMC 11 yrs ago and worked his way up the ranks to served as president of NNJR from 2014-2016. He is currently the honorary president of NNJR. Beginning this year, he will also be on the executive board of FJMC. As a long time member of the Board of Trustees and Ritual Chairman,

Joel is also very active in the life of his synagogue. In addition to work for Men's Club, he is also on the synagogue board and chairman of the ritual committee.

Joel is a physician specializing in gastroenterology. His office in Lakewood and practices at the Monmouth Medical Center Southern Campus in Lakewood and Community Medical Center in Toms River. He has been a well respected physician in Ocean County since 1988. Joel is married to Debbie. They have two sons, a daughter-in-law, and two grandchildren.

Joel is excited to once again become President of CBI Men's Club. His goals are to the great success of the club and to increase club participation and membership, and to nurture future leadership.

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David Gleaner
B'nai Shalom
West Orange



David grew up in South Jersey and, although has lived in North Jersey most of his life, he has continued his life as long suffering Philadelphia sports fan. He graduated from Rutgers where he met his wife Leslie at Hillel, completed Dental School and has practiced in Bayonne since 1987. Has been an active member of B'nai Shalom since his daughter Ariel was 6 weeks old. She recently graduated from college and will be entering an Occupational Therapy program. Her older brother Ian is a happy newlywed and 4th year medical school student, and brother Seth has just completed his freshman year in college. David has been happy to contribute to the "revitalization" of B'nai Shalom Men's Club and looks forward to helping it grow. He especially wants to thank Tom Phon, Ari Kampel, and especially the incoming President Gary Silver in helping him complete his term.

Gary Silver
B'nai Shalom
West Orange



Gary was born in New York City and raised in Hazlet, NJ. His family was members of Temple Beth Ahm in Aberdeen, which sparked his interest in Judaism from an early age. He was actively involved in Kadima and USY throughout his high school years. When he entered Monmouth University, Gary and a friend formed the school's first chapter of Alpha Epsilon Pi, as there were no Jewish fraternities on campus.

Gary graduated Monmouth University in 1989 with a B.S. in business management. He worked in a variety of sales positions before finding his niche in inventory control. Gary has worked diligently in the inventory field since 1997. In 2007, he began working at his current position as Inventory Control Manager at Outerstuff, Ltd. in New York City. He oversees the inventory operations for children's sports apparel, working as a liaison between manufacturers, printers and retailers. His department produces \$100 million worth of business for Outerstuff annually, and continues to grow.

Gary and his wife Nancy were married in 1997 and moved from Hackensack, NJ to West Orange in 1998, a few months before the birth of their first daughter, Melanie. Their second daughter, Michelle, was born in 2003. The Silver family has been members of B'nai Shalom since 2000. Both of their daughters attended the religious school, with Melanie becoming a Bat Mitzvah in 2011, and Michelle in 2016. Gary has been actively involved in B'nai Shalom's Men's Club since joining the synagogue, and has been its treasurer since 2010. He takes tremendous pride in the shul and is always ready to help in any way he can, whether shopping, cooking, delivering Purim baskets, setting up chairs or ushering for the High Holidays.

Gary is truly humbled and honored to be elected as the Men's Club president, and would like to thank Ari Kampel, Tom Phon and outgoing president David Gleaner. Gary and his family look forward to spending many more years at B'nai Shalom.

Types of Men's Club Programs

Educational

FJMC Hearing Men's Voices
Authors as Speakers
CPR workshops
Kashrut
Medical Information
Judaic music, culture & arts
History of NJ Jewish
Community
Financial/Investment
Hebrew literacy
College Education
Teaching retarded Jews
Internet
Tefillin
Religious holidays
Torah reading
Study groups with the Rabbi
Keruv

Membership Interest

Athletic programs (softball)
Calendar of events
Chess
Stock Exchange Raffles
Business Networking
Roasts, Men of the Year
Father & Child Programs
Cults

Cultural

Poetry reading
Chamber music
Trips to the Jewish Museum in
NYC and Washington DC
Trips to the Museum of Jewish
Heritage in NYC
Trips to the Lower East Side
Trips to Boro Park

Religious

FJMC Hearing Men's Voices
Art of Jewish Living Series
Men's Club Shabbat
Erecting sukkah
Purim carnival
Hanukkah party
Holiday workshops
D'vrei Torah
World Wide Wrap
Holocaust, Yom HaShoah
High Holiday preparation
Ushering on Shabbat
Lag B'omer picnic
Holocaust essay contest
Torah silver polishing
Hebrew literacy programs

Fundraising

Weekend Vacation Raffle
50/50 raffle
Gift catalog
Membership sale
Sports leagues
Sports tournaments
Stock picking contest
Sporting events

Social

Shows & Dances
Purim costume party
New Year's Eve party
Paid up membership events
Breakfasts
Poker Nights
Kosher Bar-B-Ques
Monday Night Football

The Northern New Jersey Region... And You!

The Northern New Jersey Region is the link between more than 30 Men's Clubs from Conservative synagogues in New Jersey and Staten Island and the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, which serves more than 200 affiliated Clubs in the United States, Canada, Israel and Germany and the Masorti communities of the United Kingdom and France. Together, we strive to increase the level of Jewish observance, participation in synagogue life, and brotherhood among our members. We do this by sharing ideas and pooling our talents and resources.

"Working Together...

We strongly encourage our clubs to participate in our Region-wide "bookend" events: The Man Of The Year Dinner after Simchat Torah and The Presidents Installation Dinner every spring.

- We subsidize joint meetings among Clubs to build a stronger sense of community in our Region and enhance successful programming.
- We offer member clubs a Speakers Bureau to enrich their programs and provide a subsidy to defray costs.
- We subsidize your attendance at the FJMC Biennial Convention because we believe so strongly in its power to build camaraderie and provide Club leaders with great ideas to make Clubs better.
- We promote participation in the Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle™ Program to help our community remember Jewish victims of the Holocaust and stand together against hatred and bigotry.
- We provide resources to help Clubs and their synagogues meet critical community issues such as the Hebrew Christian challenge and the role of men as fathers and members of Conservative synagogues.

...We Can Do More"

Men's Clubs play a key role in the quality of Jewish life in the synagogue. Our variety of activities – educational, service, social and athletic – are designed to draw men to synagogue and expand their horizons.

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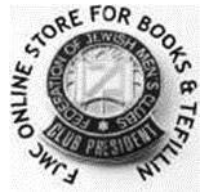


The Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs is an organization of about 300 Conservative/Masorti Jewish Men's groups, consisting of 25,000 individuals in Clubs all across North America and the world.

The FJMC involves Jewish men in Jewish life by building and strengthening Men's Clubs in the Conservative Movement.

Our objectives are to train and develop leaders to build and strengthen Men's Clubs; to create and implement programs to involve men in Jewish life; and to be an active and influential participant in the Conservative/Masorti Movement.

Wear your FJMC leadership lapel pin proudly. It is your entry card to any Conservative organization in America.



Keep in mind these important FJMC programs. If your Club isn't involved yet, talk to us. If you want to do them better, talk to us. NNJR can give you the best practices, taken from Clubs all across America!



Hatikva

Kol od balevav p'nimah	כָּל עוֹד בְּלֵבָב פְּנִימָה,
Nefesh Yehudi homiyah	נֶפֶשׁ יְהוּדֵי הוֹמִיָּה.
Ulfa'atey mizrach kadimah	וּלְפָאֵתֵי מִזְרַח קְדִימָה
Ayin l'tzion tzofiyah	עַיִן לְצִיּוֹן צוֹפִיָּה.
Od lo avdah tikvatenu	עוֹד לֹא אָבְדָה תִּקְוַתֵּנוּ,
Hatikvah bat shnot alpayim	הַתִּקְוָה בַּת שְׁנוֹת אַלְפִּים,
L'hiyot am chofshi b'artzenu	לְהִיוֹת עַם חֲפְשֵׁי בְּאַרְצֵנוּ,
Eretz Tzion v'Yerushalayim	אֶרֶץ צִיּוֹן וִירוּשָׁלַיִם.

As long as deep in the heart,
The soul of a Jew yearns,
And forward to the East
To Zion, an eye looks
Our hope will not be lost,
The hope of two thousand years,
To be a free nation in our land,
The land of Zion and Jerusalem

The title of the national anthem, HATIKVA, means "The Hope." It was written by Naftali Herz Imber (1856-1909), who moved to Palestine in 1882 from Galicia. The melody was arranged by Samuel Cohen, an immigrant from Moldavia, from a musical theme in Smetana's "Moldau" that is partly based on a Scandinavian folk song.



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