

V'ahavta...



"Stellar Education for Every Jewish Child"

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Candle Lighting

Friday, Nov. 11
4:43 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 12
Shabbat ends
5:45 p.m.



Saturday, Nov. 12
PCL Program
6:45 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 14
Parent-Teacher Conferences
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
No Classes

Book Fair Begins

Tuesday, Nov. 15
Chess Club
3:40 - 5:00 p.m.

Meat Order Pick up
4:00 - 6:00 at
Shaarei Torah of Richmond
4811 Patterson Avenue

Thursday, Nov. 17
Mishmar
3:45 - 6:00 p.m.

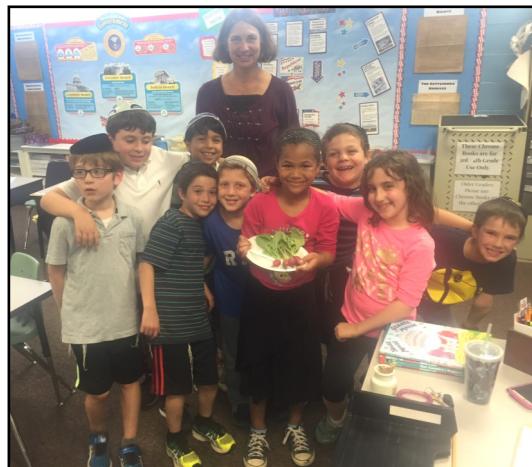
Student Council Fundraiser
Orders Due

Friday, Nov. 18
Book Fair Ends

RTA Garden Fall Harvest!

It's SALAD TIME! The third grade harvested heads of arugula and wonderful fresh radishes. Some third grade families enjoyed a delicious green salad straight from our RTA garden. (Some third grade students found it too tempting to wait and decided to eat the bounty before they got home!)

We hope to keep a few things growing even as the weather chills. With luck, some of our radishes will flower and seed and we will get to witness the entire plant life cycle.



Parent-Child Learning Returns!

Beginning tomorrow night, November 12 at 6:45 pm, we will inaugurate our fourth year of the exciting, innovative PCL program at RTA! This program is open to the entire community. Please see the flyer in this V'ahavta for more details.

PCL is presented by Let's Give RTA



The **absolute deadline** to turn in orders for the Student Council School Fundraiser is **Thursday, November 17**. No late orders will be accepted.

The Student Council thanks you in advance for helping us reach our goal.



BINGO

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!!!

To our selfless, dedicated volunteers for their gracious time commitment in working bingo this past month!!

Each month in the V'ahavta we will thank those who have worked bingo for RTA either Saturday night (11:00 PM - 3:00 AM) or Sunday (11:30 AM - 3:30 PM).

Ellen Renee Adams
Audrey & Bill Chumbris
Bari Cohen
Huff Coon
Rich & Diane Goldberg
Josh Goldberg
Shai & Shevy Holi
Benjamin Lehman
Akiva Lessin
Yael Levin
Robin Odom
Tatyana Perelman

Sorah Plotnick
Sarah Rakofsky
Rabbi Mo Sherman
Eric Shoenfeld
Alec Shull
Mary Siegel
Dr. Bob Weisberger
Dr. Karen Wharton
Rebecca Kalman Winston
& David Winston
Barton Zedd



Bingo is RTA's **single biggest fundraiser**, and your assistance enables us to ensure that RTA has the necessary financial resources to provide our children an outstanding and enriched dual curriculum education. Please pitch in to help keep RTA healthy and growing.

If you know you will have a free day, and want to do an RTA mitzvah while having a good time working and bonding with other parents – please email Robin Odom (mrsodom@rudlin.com) to volunteer, or just sign up on the Sign-up Genius for any week with open slots.

And if you need a ride—your Uber is on us! Just send us your Uber bill and we will be glad to reimburse you.

Remember that in bingo fundraising - every person makes a huge difference!

Mazel tov to the Zitter family on Shimon becoming a bar mitzvah.

Mazel tov to Dr. Bob Weisberger and Wendy Rosen on their engagement.

Thank you to Mrs. Rebecca Kalman-Winston for donating art materials.

Thank you to Mr. Sander Altman , Mr. Dan Rubenstein, Louis Altman, Stuart Altman, Alex Rubenstein and Tony Rippes for taking down and storing the RTA Sukkah.

Lets Give RVA presents...

Parent Child Learning!!!

**Saturday Night, November 12th
6:45PM @ Rudlin Torah Academy**

All are welcome to join!!

Awesome Prizes for all!!

**Awesome Fun, Food, &
Learning!!**



4th year

PCL

4th year

GIVE or GET!

There are so many ways to earn points toward your Give or Get requirement... and have fun doing it!

We hope you'll find an opportunity that works for you!

Sign up for an upcoming Bingo or PVA event!!

Bingo, offered twice weekly

Volunteer for a Saturday night or Sunday game, and earn \$200 toward Fundraising.
Contact Robin Odom in the RTA office to sign up.



Scholastic Book Fair, November 14-18

There are still slots available to volunteer!
To sign up, contact Yali Klestzick
at yalicb@gmail.com or 718-309-9719

Art Auction, January 29, 2017

Help will be needed planning the event, and the day of the auction. To sign up contact Yali Klestzick at yalicb@gmail.com or 718-309-9719

Mishloach Manot for Purim

Help is needed to plan and organize beginning in just a few weeks. Or, volunteer to help with packaging and distribution in March.

To sign up contact Yali Klestzick at yalicb@gmail.com or 718-309-9719

Don't forget to submit any points you have earned by emailing

GiveOrGet@rudlin.com

RUN-A-LATKE

FAMILY FUN 5K AND ONE-MILER

To benefit Weinstein JCC and Rudlin Torah Academy



**Sunday,
DECEMBER 4**

**One-Miler:
9:30 a.m.**

**5K:
10:00 a.m.**

**Start and Finish
at Weinstein JCC
5403 Monument Avenue**

**After the run,
stick around and enjoy a post-race
party with food and fun for the entire family,
and of course...latkes!**

Runners of all levels take part in the Run-A-Latke! Our 5K and One-Miler are also accessible to the special needs community. Volunteer buddy-runners will be available upon request. For more information contact Missy Bunce at 545-8658.

One-Miler

\$20 Before Nov. 1
\$25 Nov. 1 - Dec. 3
\$35 Race Day

5K

Individual	Family (up to 4 entrants)
\$35 Before Nov. 1	\$110 Before Nov. 1
\$40 Nov. 1 - Dec. 3	\$125 Nov. 1 - Dec. 3
\$50 Race Day	\$140 Race Day

**Sign up today at runsignup.com or call
Margret O'Keefe at the Weinstein JCC at 545-8609.**

Run-A-Latke Volunteers Needed - Volunteers are needed for setup along the course during the race and to serve food. Please contact Diane Goldberg to signup ([804.929.7951](tel:804.929.7951) or pdgoldberg@hotmail.com).

STUDENT COUNCIL FUNDRAISER



\$16 a box!

**The Absolute deadline for the order forms is
Thursday, November 17! ! ! ! ! ! !**

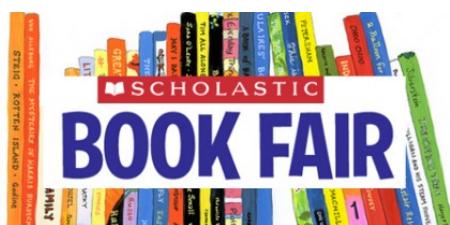
The Scholastic Book Fair will be held Nov. 14 –18.

We need volunteers to man the register.

**We also need volunteers help to set up on Nov. 11 and
take down the book fair on Nov. 21.**

If you have an hour to spare, please sign up!

Sign Up





A Line Takes a Walk by the First Grade

The line can only walk horizontally or vertically. It cannot walk diagonally. Once the line is finished, it creates shapes. The first grade colored the shapes in and ended up with an abstract maze of color and line.



Yehoshua Aronowitz



Judah Hecht



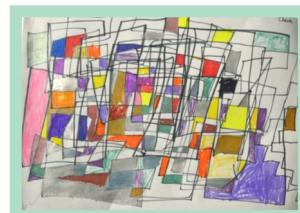
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Iris Krumbein



Nathan Krumbein



Chava Gruber



Simon Klestzick



Ronin Lowery



Aaron Poliakoff



Dalia Rubenstein



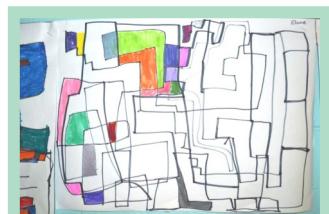
Yisroel Mayer



Kayla Galpern



Jacob Farzad



Elana Asher



Stephanie Herman

Parsha Points

Each week we feature an article on the weekly Torah portion.

Lech Lecha (Genesis 12-17) Inner Truth

This week's Torah portion introduces us to Abraham, the first Jew. Until now, the Torah's messages have been universal messages, relevant for all of mankind. But now the messages are more specific and unique to the Jewish people, beginning with God's first communication to Abraham.

The Torah is not a history book; it is our instruction manual for living. So if the Torah tells us that God communicated with Abraham, it means that God is sending a message to each and every one of us.

So what is God's first command to Abraham and in essence, God's first command to every Jew? God tells Abraham: "Go to you, from your land, your birthplace and your father's home to the land which I will show you" (Genesis 12:1).

At first glance, this is hard to understand. What does God mean by, "go to you"?

God is telling Abraham to leave behind the influences that have shaped his value system: his land - his society; his birthplace - his peer group; his father's home - his family. God says to Abraham: Don't allow these influences to determine your beliefs in life. Don't allow yourself to be a simple product of your environment, rather: "Go to you." Go to yourself, Abraham. Look deep inside and find out who you are. And don't let anyone else tell you. Trust yourself, because ultimately that is all you have to trust.

Truth, God tells Abraham, is to be found within every one of us. But we are usually so busy seeking it from without, that we don't notice what is right in front of our eyes, within.

This is a shocking philosophy for a religion to give its adherents, let alone as its first command. Forget what your family tell you to be true. Forget what your friends say. Forget what society says is true. Look inside yourself, and trust what you know to be true.

Let us be clear: Judaism is not saying that everyone has his own truth - quite the opposite. It is saying that when human beings look inside themselves, they all find the same truth, for truth transcends individual minds and bodies.

Judaism can only say this if it is supremely confident that for a person who looks inside with honesty and a sense of calm, the truth he will find will be the same truth that Judaism teaches.

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A KBI Tish Marmorstein נ"у Mikvah at the
Sharon Jaffa Women's Community Center Event

Reclaiming Intimacy in your Marriage

A Jewish & Secular Perspective
on Mikvah and Marriage

Guest Speakers

Dr. Gail Moskowitz, Licensed Clinical Social Worker
Adjunct Professor of Social Work at VCU

and

Rochel Goldbaum

International Speaker & Educator in Female Jewish Law

Date: Sunday, November 20th

Time: 10am - 12pm

Location: Keneseth Beth Israel
6300 Patterson Ave

Please RSVP by November 13th to
kbimikvaevent@gmail.com or 347-821-1590

Light Refreshments will be served

Suggested Donation \$10

Event open to Women only

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