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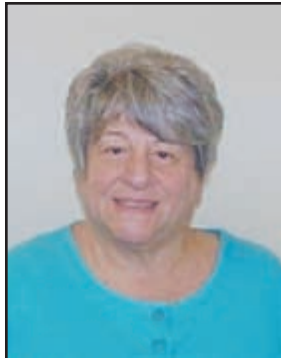
NOVEMBER 13, 2009

Elaine Geller Receives Grinspoon-Steinhardt Award

Elaine Geller has been selected as a winner of the 10th annual Grinspoon-Steinhardt Award for excellence in Jewish education.

Mrs. Geller teaches at the Trocki Jewish Community Day School and also serves as principal of the Hebrew school at Temple Emeth Shalom.

She received the honor at the UJC General Assembly



Elaine Geller

awards reception and ceremony held in Washington D.C., on Monday, Nov. 9.

The prestigious award is designed to recognize and support outstanding classroom Jewish educators on the local level. Those nominated for the award must demonstrate exceptional achievement and serve as a role model in Jewish education.

ONE BOOK, ONE JEWISH COMMUNITY

Book Club to Study Rabbi Korn's History of Civil War Jews

The Board of Jewish Education's ONE BOOK, ONE JEWISH COMMUNITY, will welcome Bertram Korn, Jr. as it's speaker on Monday, Nov. 30th at a book club meeting where the Jews of the Civil War era will be discussed.

This meeting follows up on the writings of Mr. Korn's late father, Rabbi Bertram Korn, Sr., "American Jewry and the Civil War."

Bertram Korn, Jr., a former editor of The Jewish Exponent, is a native Philadelphian and a scholar on the works of his late father, the long time rabbi of Reform congregation Kenneset Israel in Elkins Park.

Last summer the book club, under the leadership of facilitator, Meryl Rodgers, read the Dara Horn novel, "All Other Nights." The group decided to continue to study the Jewish community in America during



the days of the Civil War. The consummate book on this period of time was written by Rabbi Korn.

While the book is now out of print the BJE has a limited number of gently used books available for purchase at \$10 each. New books are still available for \$35 through the Jewish Publication Society. Ms.

Rodgers has highlighted specific readings that will enhance an understanding of the discussion with Mr. Korn on Nov. 30.

The program will begin at 10 a.m. hosted at the Katz JCC, in the Board Room. Coffee and sweets will be offered. While there is no charge for this public event the BJE does ask that you register ahead of time by calling at 822-1854 to reserve your spot for this exciting discussion

This program is funded in part, by The BJE's Federation Foundation's Donor Endowment Fund and by the Katz Memorial Foundation.

Rob Huberman Picks Up 3 Publishing Awards

LOS ANGELES —Rob Huberman's ComteQ Publishing has received three publishing awards including "Winner" for "History of Jewish Businesses - from USABookNews.com, the online magazine and review website for mainstream and independent publishing houses.

USABookNews.com recently announced the winners and finalists of The National Best Books 2009 Awards. More than 500 winners and finalists were announced in over 140 categories covering print and audio books.

Honored as "Winner" in the General History category was "A Dream • A Journey • A Community: A Nostalgic Look at Jewish Businesses in and Around Atlantic City.

Almost two years in the making, the 172 page coffee table book, edited by local businessman and philanthropist

Leo B. Schoffer, takes a nostalgic look at the bygone era of Jewish businesses in and around Atlantic City and contains over 350 photos never seen before in public and dozens of family stories and commentaries reminiscent of Atlantic City's Jewish business "glory days" - from the turn of the century to the 1970s.

The book is categorized into sections covering Apparel, the Boardwalk, Food & Beverage, Hotels & Motels, Restaurants, Theaters & Entertainment, and Wholesale & Retail and has sold over 1000 copies since its release in May, according to Schoffer. An expanded and revised edition is already in the works, he added.

ComteQ Publishing had two titles that were also honored as "Finalists." In the Photography category was Portraits



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Beth Israel Hosts Kabbalah Scholar

The Jewish mystical tradition of Kabbalah will be explored at Congregation Beth Israel on Nov. 20 and 22, as the synagogue welcomes Kabbalah scholar Rabbi Arthur Green, Ph.D. for the Gusti Engelberg Visiting Scholar Program.

Described as "one of the preeminent authorities on Jewish spirituality, mysticism and Hasidism," Rabbi Green has written widely on the subjects. Through his books and lectures, he has played an influential role in bringing spirituality into mainstream Jewish life. An educator and a scholar, Rabbi Green currently serves as Dean of Hebrew College's Rabbinical School in Boston.



Rabbi Arthur Green

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The Shofar

A sound that awakens the soul.



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Birthright

A special trip for the disabled.

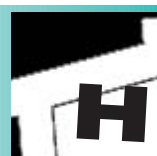
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Making decisions for the long term.

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Jewish families suffering from the global financial crisis had a sweeter New Year thanks to the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews, which is supported by Federation.

