

Congressman Eric Cantor Speaks to Teens at BBYO Convention

U.S. Rep. Eric I. Cantor, R-7th, recently spoke to a group of 62 BBYO teenagers at Eastern Region BBYO's Regional Execs Convention in Reidsville, N.C. This convention focuses on enhancing the leadership qualities of the region's elected teen officers and chairpersons.

Cantor began his symposium by discussing his rise to politics with the teens in attendance, while chronicling the struggles of dealing with anti-Semitism during his early campaigns. He fielded questions from some of the region's leaders that dealt with different aspects of being a Jewish leader and U.S.-Israeli relations.

12 local teens attended the convention: Jenna Cantor, Jake Fratkin, Samantha Goodman, Sage Janulis, Scott Magat, Stephanie Perlman, Ilana Pinsky, Rebecca Pinsky, Lauren Revenson, Sam Rubin, Tucker Rubin and Emily Schenck. In addition to being the state presidents for BBYO, Jenna Cantor and Jake Fratkin both serve as teen representatives to the Weinstein JCC's Board of Directors.

Richmond BBYO is always looking for new high school teen leaders to emerge and flourish. Please contact Jordan Pinsky at 545-8609, or jpinsky@bbyo.org, for information on how to sign up for BBYO.

"Eric Cantor w Ellen" (From L to R): Jake Fratkin (VA Boys President), Sarah Seldin (NC Girls President), Ellen Goldstein (Eastern Region Director), Eric Cantor, Jenna Cantor (VA Girls President), Josh Kipnis (NC Boys President)

"Eric Cantor w Jordan" (From L to R): Jordan Pinsky (Richmond BBYO City Director), Jake Fratkin (VA Boys President), Eric Cantor, Jenna Cantor (VA Girls President)

2009 Weinstein JCC Annual Jewish Book Fair in partnership with Beth Ahabah Presents: *SAVE THE DELI: In Search of Perfect Pastrami, Crusty Rye, and the Heart of Jewish Delicatessen* by author David Sax

A few years ago, journalist and lifelong deli-obsessive David Sax looked around and became alarmed by the state of Jewish delicatessen. A cuisine that had once been at the very center of Jewish life had become endangered by assimilation, homogenization, and health-food trends. Thousands of delis have disappeared from America's cities and neighborhoods during the past half century. So he set out on a journey around the country (and the world) in search of authentic delicatessen. He chronicles this quest in his book *SAVE THE DELI: In Search of Perfect Pastrami, Crusty Rye, and the Heart of Jewish Delicatessen*. He tells us about the food itself – how it's made, who makes it best, and where to go for particular dishes.

Davis Sax will be a visiting guest author at the Weinstein JCC Jewish Book Fair on Tuesday November 17th at 6:00 p.m.. A delicious deli dinner will be served prior to the author's presentation.

The cost of dinner is \$23 per person and includes kosher freshly baked corned beef sandwiches, and other traditional deli food. Vegetarian option is also available by requesting in advance.

This event is open to the community and is sponsored by Congregation Beth Ahabah. RSVP is required by contacting olewis@weinsteinjcc.org or by calling 285-6500.

David Sax, author picture included

Campbell Brown and Dan Senor kick-off the JCC Forum

Dan Senor and Campbell Brown join us on Saturday, November 7th to discuss Israel, politics and their Jewish life together. Campbell Brown is one of the most respected and recognizable faces in American news. Her husband, Dan Senor, has been a foreign policy advisor to the Bush administration and was one of the longest-serving civilians for the Coalition Provisional Authority in Iraq. Excitingly, Senor's newest book, *Start-Up Nation: The Story of Israel's Economic Miracle* is due to be released just days before his Richmond visit.

For information and to purchase tickets (\$35 per ticket), please contact Lisa Looney at (804) 545-8608, llooney@weinsteinjcc.org or tickets are available online at www.weinsteinjcc.org.

Not re-sending Forum pictures ☺

Sara D. November Art Gallery at the Weinstein JCC

The Sara D. November Art Gallery at the Weinstein JCC will be presenting "New Directions in Judaic Art" by Avrum I. Ashery. Mr. Ashery will be showing Judaic Calligraphic Designs and oil paintings. He graduated from the University of Tulsa with a degree in Visual Communications Design, and then continued his Jewish education at The Hebrew Institute of Pittsburgh and later at Gratz Hebrew College. Coming from a background and training that taught communicating visually he has transformed this notion with his approach called "New Directions in Judaic Art". Please join us for the opening reception and talk with the artist Thursday, October 15th at 7:00 p.m. The show will be running until November 20th. If you have any questions please call Tracey Shenker at 545-8659 or email Tracey at tshenker@weinsteinjcc.org.

Avrum Ashery art work image enclosed.

Weinstein JCC & Beth Sholom Auxiliary Game Day

Come join the Weinstein JCC and Beth Sholom Home Auxiliary Sunday, October 25th from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. as we join forces for an exciting fun-filled day of your favorite games. Just bring your friends, your mahjong set, bridge cards or your favorite game and we supply the rest.

Your cost of just \$28 includes morning and afternoon snacks, a hot lunch catered by Kenny Bendheim, table rental, door prizes and lots of socializing. Tables will open at 10:00 a.m.

All BSH Auxiliary members are invited to come at 9:45 for a brief membership meeting!

RSVP to Adrienne Goldberg at 741-7619. Checks should be made out to "Weinstein JCC" and mailed to Adrienne Goldberg, 1507 Largo Rd. # 204, Richmond, VA 23238. No money will be taken at the door so please RSVP early!

As part of our Mitzvah for the day, please bring one or more canned goods or non-perishable items for the Central Virginia Food Bank. For event information and details contact Shari Menlowe-Barck, Senior Adult Coordinator at 545-8611.

Senior Community-Wide Expo at the Weinstein JCC

If you are a senior adult, a caregiver, or would just like information on agencies, & community services for the senior adult community, please join "Senior Network Inc" and "The Weinstein JCC" on Monday, October 26th for an exciting, informative, healthy day at the Weinstein JCC. There will be 30+ vendors with lots of helpful information from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. plus

special guest lecturers from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The day will also include health screenings, flu shots, and fun door prizes. Bring a bag lunch and join us for lunch and entertainment from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. Coffee and dessert will be provided. For more information contact: Shari Menlowe-Barck, Weinstein JCC Senior Adult Coordinator@ 545-8611

New Jewish Adult Education Classes – Still Time to Register!

The new Fall Magazine is out and sign up is now open for all our Jewish Adult Education classes! Join us for Beginning Hebrew, Talmud with Dr. Alexander, Women of the Torah, A Jug of Wine A Loaf of Bread And You!, Pirket Avot, Shabbat and Holiday Family Education Classes, and many more! Check it out and contact KB Levin for more information at klevin@weinsteinjcc.org or 545-8657.

Registration for the 2009-2010 Melton year is now open!

Classes will be offered on Tuesday evenings at 7:15 p.m. beginning October 5th at the Weinstein JCC.

Melton is designed to provide an intellectually stimulating, pluralistic learning environment using classic Jewish sources from Biblical through contemporary texts and to investigate issues of Jewish thought, practice and ethics. It includes four courses taken over two years. They are Rhythms of Jewish Living, Purposes of Jewish Living, Ethics of Jewish Living, and Dramas of Jewish Living. Plus it's fun! The cost per year is \$450 and \$825 for a couple.

The Florence Melton Adult Mini-School is sponsored by the Weinstein JCC with a generous grant from the Jewish Community Federation of Richmond.

Space is limited so anyone who is interested or for further information about the Melton Mini-School or the Melton Scholarship Fund, please contact KB Levin at 545-8657 or klevin@weinsteinjcc.org.