WORK ABOVE THE BULL: Is this the fast that I have chosen?
Brenda Gevertz, JPRO Network Executive Director

We are entering the Jewish New Year. It is a time for reflection, healing and hope. Surely, we who work in the Jewish community need to take a deep breath and consider the year that has transpired and what we want in the New Year. How will we change our actions—true Teshuva—for the better? Have we listened to others with open hearts and minds? Were we quick to judge? Did we turn away from opportunities to help or were we slow to rise to the needs in front of us?

On Yom Kippur...

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JPRO Network wishes you a Happy New Year filled with Good Health, Happiness and Enduring Peace.
Sharpening Your Leadership Toolbox: Communicate to Motivate and Inspire

Jump-start your new year with skills and inspiration with the incomparable Dr. Erica Brown, who combines content-rich skill-building, interactive exercises, and meaningful discussions, all infused with Jewish text and tradition. This program is presented in collaboration with the Wiener Educational Center of UJA-Federation of NY.

Successful leadership at all levels requires effective communication to inspire and motivate everyone you meet in your workday - colleagues, supervisees, supervisors, lay leaders, clients, and more. During the program, you'll sharpen the following communication tools:

- Learn to speak so others listen and listen so others respond. You'll learn how to create and deliver clear and impactful presentations, apply some productive techniques, and consider what does and does not work in a variety of settings.

- Explore traditional Jewish texts and popular leadership literature as a platform for thinking about what inspires you in the nonprofit work you do. You'll then turn personal stories connected to your organization into sources of inspiration to reenergize yourself, volunteers, and colleagues.

- Address the challenging aspect of communicating with difficult people. You'll examine different perspectives on what constitutes a difficult person and how you can better navigate these complex relationships.

**Date & Time:** Thursday, October 15, 2015, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
A light breakfast will be served from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. and the program begins promptly at 9:30 a.m. Lunch will be served.

**Fee:** $75 for professionals with less than five years of work experience; $90 for professionals with more than five years of experience.

**Location:** UJA-Federation of New York (130 East 59th Street, NY)

**Featured Affiliated Agency**
JPRO welcomes our newest organizational affiliate: The Oscar and Ella Wilf Campus for Senior Living

The mission of the Oscar and Ella Wilf Campus for Senior Living is to be central New Jersey's leader in providing a continuum of care and related personal services, primarily for the Jewish elderly, in an environment that enhances and
respects Jewish values, traditions and lifestyles. For more information,

LOCAL GROUPS

**JPro Atlanta**
Mazel tov on the launch of JPro Atlanta!
JPro Atlanta recently hosted their launch event, focusing on professional development, networking, discussion and more. Below are a few pictures from the event.

![JPro Atlanta photos](image)

**JProStl**
Yasher Koach to JProStl on hosting their Jewish Coaching Academy recently.

![JProStl photo](image)

Pictured left is Mimi David, Director of Women’s Programming for Aish HaTorah St. Louis and a teacher at Esther Miller Bais Yaakov.

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, January 28, 2016
2016 JPro Annual Recognition Luncheon

**RSVP & DETAILS**

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On Rosh Hashanah we are commanded to hear the sound of the shofar. So what are the sounds of the shofar and whose voice is being heard in its sounds?

The shofar has three sounds. Tekiah is the strong steady sound of the shofar. It is a constant, clear, and unbroken long note. The Shevarim is three notes equal in length to the Tekiah. Kabbalists teach us that it is the sound of the crying Jewish heart yearning to grow. Teruah is nine short staccato notes, again equaling the length of one Tekiah. Tradition explains that Teruah is like an alarm clock waking us in order to bring focus, clarity of thought, and an awareness of our surroundings and responsibilities. And, just as importantly, are the places of silence between the blasts.

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**EVENTS & UPDATES**

**JDC Entwine: One Jewish World, Interconnected**
**Global Jewish Service Corps**
Serve with the World’s Leading Jewish Humanitarian Aid Organization. Apply now for the Global Jewish Service Corps.

**MORE DETAILS**

**The Darrell Friedman Institute (DFI) for Professional Development at the Weinberg Center (Baltimore, MD)**
**Creating a Culture of Ownership**
Begins October 14th, 5-7:30 PM ET (4 Monthly Sessions)
Jewish Leadership Series 2.0
Begins November 19th, 8-10 AM ET (8 Monthly Sessions)

New Frontiers in Confronting Anti-Semitism
Begins December 3rd, 11:30 AM-1:30 PM ET (5 Monthly Sessions)

Jewish Home Lifecare
13th Annual Palliative Care Conference
Date & Time: Tuesday, November 10, 2015; 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM EDT
Location: UJA Federation of NY (130 East 59th St, NY)

JCC Association
Pre-registration for JCC Professionals’ Taglit Birthright Trip 2015
JCC and other Jewish organization professionals that come through the JCC are able to apply early for a birthright trip that leaves NY on November 8th.
Please note: The age limitation is up to 30 years old.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Below is a partial listing of Job openings in the Jewish community.

Director of Young Leadership, Jewish Federation of Cleveland
Program Coordinator, Jewish Community Center of Greater Baltimore
College Student Intern, The Joel Paul Group
Program Director, Leichtag Foundation
Volunteer Coordinator, Family Mentor Program Coordinator

Professional Placement Mentor, SeniorITIS Program, The Partnership for Jewish Learning and Life

Senior Legislative Associate, Strategic Health Resource Center
Washington, DC Office, The Jewish Federations of North America "JFNA"
The Jewish Federations of North America Mandel Center for Leadership Excellence is seeking talented professionals for open positions in Jewish Federations across North America. Check out our Career Opportunities site to learn more [https://jewishfederations.org/career-opportunities](https://jewishfederations.org/career-opportunities) or email [jobs@jewishfederations.org](mailto:jobs@jewishfederations.org).

Hillel has exciting opportunities around the country, most recently at Central Florida Hillel, University of Virginia and Virginia Tech, University of Delaware, Jewish University Center of Pittsburgh, Texas Hillel, Kent State University, Princeton University, University of Georgia, and Hillel International. Please visit [http://www.hilleljobs.com](http://www.hilleljobs.com) to see the full listing of available opportunities and share them with your network! Email [Aviva Snyder](mailto:Aviva.Snyder@jewishfederations.org) with any questions.

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**Riding the Roller Coaster**

By Brian Silberberg, JPRO Benefit Plans Administrator

For many investors, last week's typical roller coaster ride of up's and downs in the Stock Market was a plunge downwards that ended in the house of horrors.

Risk tolerance and suitability are two key terms that investors need to be familiar with. Your investment decisions should not be tied to the emotion of potential riches and a status of grandeur but rather, can you sleep comfortably at night knowing that your retirement dollars are inherently at risk. Your investment decisions must be suitable to both your personality and your individual objectives.

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MAZAL TOVS

Mazal tov to Lisa Lebovitz and Alexis Miller, Gratz College students on receiving FEREP scholarships.

Mazal tov to David Bubis and Randy Lapin on their recent appointments as JCPSC Co-Presidents.

Mazal tov to Michelle W. Malkin, on her recent appointment as JCPSC Director.

Mazal tov to Jessica Mehlman on her recent appointment as Director of Planning and Allocation at the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Metrowest NJ.

Mazal tov to Becky Voorwinde, JPRO Board Member and her husband, Michael on the birth of their daughter, Pearl.

Mazal tov to Chris Strom and his wife Elisa, on the birth of their son, Benjamin Gabriel.

Mazal tov to David Rosenn, on his recent appointment as Executive Director at the Hebrew Free Loan Society.

Baruch Dayan Emet

Charlie Schiffman, z”l, (Tzadok Reuven Halevy) passed away in Israel the morning of July 14th. Charlie served the Portland Jewish community as the Jewish Federation Executive Director for 23 years, which followed his leadership at the Columbus, Ohio, Federation. Charlie was a passionate supporter of the Jewish people and the State of Israel and a strong moral compass for all who worked with him. We extend our condolences to his family, friends and community.

GRADUATE SCHOOLS

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American Jewish University

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The Jewish Theological Seminary of America Jewish Studies & Social Work Program
The Jewish Theological Seminary of America Jewish Studies & Public Administration Program
Wurzweiler School at YU

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Spertus Institute of Jewish Studies

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