

Annual Community Mitzvah Awards Dinner will be Thursday at Bernikow JCC

STATEN ISLAND ADVANCE

Wagner College's Chai Society will hold its annual Community Mitzvah Awards Dinner on Thursday at the Joan and Alan Bernikow JCC in Sea View.

Michael Schultz will receive the Outstanding Student Award, Jay and Lucille Chazanoff will be given the Outstanding Community Members Award and Devorah Lieberman and Roger Auerbach will be recipients of the Outstanding Chai Members Award.

Schultz, a junior, is vice president of the college's Hillel Foundation and co-founder of the college's Moot Court Team.

CIVIC GROUPS REPORT

RECREATION

Bridge Club of SI

Thursday afternoon game winners at the Bridge Club of Staten Island, Castleton Corners, were: North-South: first, **Jerry Halperin, Herbert Weinreb**; second, **Ted Toscher, Gerald Pinsker**; third, **Judith Schwartz, Janet Pas**; fourth, **Mel Frucht, Michael Gecht**. East-West, first, **Nick Ochlan, James Fazzolari**; second, **Barbara Rappaport, Bernice Frucht**; third, **Jack Nikop, Joseph Goldstein**, fourth, **Jane Knisley, Dee Kiefert**. For information, call 718-273-3106.

Mrs. Chazanoff is a founder of the Carmine and Robert DeSantis Charitable Foundation and an executive with the family business, Royal Press. Chazanoff is a partner in Pembroke Companies Inc. The Chazanoffs co-chaired the \$40 million capital campaign for the building of the Bernikow JCC.

Ms. Lieberman is provost and vice president for academic affairs at Wagner and was the moving force behind the hiring of a campus rabbi for Wagner, the establishment of the college's Hillel Foundation and the creation of the Chai Society.

Auerbach, president of Auerbach Consulting Inc., is senior vice president of the JCC and an active member of the Chai Society.

All meals will be Kosher. Tickets are \$150; to purchase tickets, contact chaisociety@wagner.edu or 718-420-4014. The event will be at 6:30 p.m. at the JCC, at 1466 Manor Rd.

OU SPEAKER AT YOUNG ISRAEL

Rabbi Steven Weil, executive vice president of the Orthodox Union, will serve as scholar-in-residence at Young Israel of Staten Island for Parshat Emor Shabbat May 6-7.

"Much More Than a Priest" will be Rabbi Weil's topic during 9 a.m. Saturday Shabbat morning services. At 6:45 p.m., the rabbi will discuss "Men Are From Mars,

Women Are From Venus: The Jewish Version." Mincha will be at 7:25 p.m., followed by the rabbi speaking at 7:40 p.m. on the topic "The Millennial Generation: The Watershed Moment in Jewish History that Changed the Meaning of Sefiras Haomer."

Last month, at its 112th Dinner and Awards Presentation, the OU honored Mordecai (Moti) and Halina Schwartz of Young Israel with the Distinguished (Synagogue) President and First Lady Award. The OU-member synagogue is located at 835 Forest Hill Rd.

RUSSIAN JEWISH PARENTING

Rabbi Asher Kushnir will speak in Russian about developing better parenting skills, having a closer marriage and a more meaningful life on Tuesday at the Jewish Foundation School, Graniteville.

The event will be held from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the school, located at 400 Caswell Ave. The suggested donation is \$20 and a light dinner will be served. RSVP by sending an e-mail to Rabbi Shlomo Uzhansky at Sirabi@gmail.com.

SISTERHOOD EVENT

The annual Sisterhood Stars Friday Night Service will be held May 6 at B'nai Jeshurun, West Brighton. Sisterhood members Vickie Gimbleman, Ruth Ellen Nightingale and Eleanor Zorfafas will be honored at 8 p.m. B'nai Jeshurun is located at 275 Martling Ave.