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Chai Membership Anniversary
Saturday, June 19, 9:30 AM

Torah Trope Club 10th Anniversary
Saturday, June 19, 9:30 AM

Blood Drive
Sunday, July 18, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Tisha B'Av
Monday, July 19, 8:00 PM

*See Inside for Details
On These &
Many More Events*

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We would also like to thank the following people: Syndi Smoller for picking up the peanut free desserts that everyone enjoys, Susan and Arnie
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My Israel Trip Stories of Inspiration

Following is excerpted and edited from the original. The article may be read in its entirety at www.bnaitikvah.org/israel.html

My name is Mirah Adah Becker and I am honored to be Congregation B'nai Tikvah's (CBT) first Tanzman Fellow. The Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County received a grant from the Marion and Norman Tanzman Foundation to develop a leadership program which was comprised of five working sessions and a nine day trip to Israel. One representative from each of eight local synagogues, five local Jewish agencies and three emerging leaders from our Federation were nominated.

Since January I obtained valuable skills and insights related to Jewish values and philosophy, the history of the Middlesex County Jewish community, public speaking, business management and fundraising. The trip to Israel occurred in mid-April. Our graduation is scheduled to take place on June 14th, the same evening that our own Arlene Frumkin will officially be installed as the new President of our local Federation.

When I came back from Israel I spoke with Rabbi Wolkoff. The Rabbi used the word "miracle" to describe Israel. That is the perfect word. If one visits Israel with open eyes one learns the sweetest of lessons. My reflections below only skim the surface of this life altering experience, but this article reflects the beginning of a process which will evolve overtime as I figure out ways to make a contribution not only to my synagogue but to the Jewish community at large, including Israel.

At Kibbutz Kinneret Cemetery in the northeastern part of Israel, we met Joel Goldman, a scholar of the diaries left behind by the young Zionists of the

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My Israel Trip

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Second Aliya. Through Joel we were offered a “behind-the-scenes” peek at the lives, dreams and ambitions of the group of young pioneers—such as David Ben Gurion—who came to the shores of Lake Kinneret a hundred years ago. These young people came to Palestine determined to transform the land by creating the institutions of modern statehood. Mr. Goldman unraveled the complex reality that faced these young idealists. All had a vision, a common belief in a Jewish homeland and pursued their dreams along the way forming a community. They focused on what they believed was right. They woke up every day with a sense of divine purpose. As one young woman wrote in her diary “we came to transform the land and in doing so we transformed ourselves.”

What did I learn from this visit to a cemetery? I learned how important it is to think outside the box, to do the right thing, which in certain situations may require one to “violate” religious tradition, to know the beauty and healing affect that comes from showing compassion to others, even if one feels pain and loss in one’s heart. You have to love people to be a good leader.

General Noan Tiberon is a leader. Our group was permitted to visit the IDF College (Pum) for Senior

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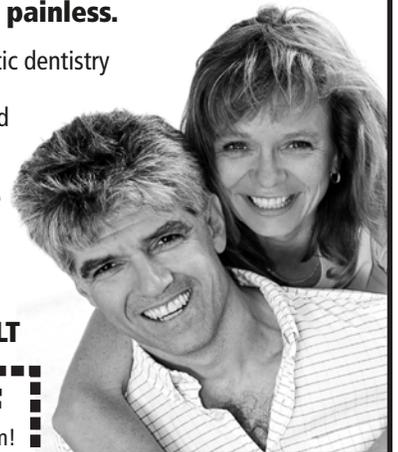
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OUR HAZZAN'S VOICE *Cantor Bruce Rockman*

The more I know, the more I need to learn?

I recently returned from the annual Cantors Assembly Conference, which was held in Manhattan last month. It was provocative and entertaining. I find that the more I know, the more I need to learn and to do! The sessions that resonate most for me are those that discuss and demonstrate "new" or other proven methods to engage our congregations in prayer, that transcend services and guiding our lives to completeness.

Ironically, this year, this type of session was conducted in the sanctuary of The Park Avenue Synagogue, where our presenters were out of their element and a bit intimidated by the grandeur of beautiful 19th century cathedral like building. Our facilitators were rabbis and cantors from smaller, more intimate minyanim. These smaller groups have become very influential in the re-establishment of meaningful, "hassidic style" davening throughout all denominations of Judaism. Yet, to me, one who leads services in a beautiful shul on Finnegans Lane, Park Avenue was as good a place to demonstrate that people can be comfortable praying, singing, even dancing before God, no matter whether we are in the basement of a YMCA, a grand synagogue, our homes or at B'nai Tikvah.

I returned with a desire to sing new melodies and our old melodies with new enthusiasm.

Most of all I worried about how I can bring transcendence and passion for God and Torah to you. I felt so small and inadequate.

It is known that the essential service of a person by way of which one might ultimately achieve wholeness in service to God, and grasp God's Divinity, is the study of Torah and prayer. It cannot be by way of one without the other, for an ignorant person cannot become a chassid (Avot 2:5); nor can one fulfill one's soul only through Torah as our Sages of blessed memory said: "One who says: 'There is nothing but the study of Torah,' has not acquired Torah." (Maor Vashemesh,

Breishit)

It is my suspicion that if you read my monthly musings you too love our community and are equally concerned about our future. I love searching with you. Prayer must be the motivational catalyst to actions.

Wow another volume of Hakol is complete! A special Thank you to Phil Welsher, "Hakol" gives a voice to B'nai Tikvah, we have been able to share our thoughts thanks to your stellar efforts.

With Joy,

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Thursday	7:30 AM Shahareet	7:30 PM	Maariv
Friday		8:00 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat
Saturday	9:30 AM Shabbat	Mincha/Maariv/Havdallah	
	<i>Seudah & Study</i>	7:15 PM	June 5th
		8:00 PM	June 12th
		8:00 PM	June 19th
		8:00 PM	June 26th
	<i>Sundaes on Saturday</i>	7:45 PM	July 3rd
		8:00 PM	July 10th
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		8:00 PM	July 24th
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A solemn fast day commemorating the destruction of the First and Second Temples in Jerusalem, exile of the Jews from the Land of Israel and expulsion of the Jews from Spain.

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From The Webmaster

OVER THE SUMMER

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The Time Thief

There is a monster in my little home office. It sits there quietly waiting patiently for me to approach, and like the Venus Fly Trap, the flower that entices insects to taste its elixir with its sweet smell, it then traps the insect for food. That's what my computer does to me.

I sit down about 9 pm to spend a few minutes in front of the computer to clean up a few remaining emails. Just five minutes is all I'll need, and suddenly its midnight. Where did the time go? I know how to tell time. I could swear that I only took five minutes, but my clock says 12 midnight! What happened? Is it a spell that the evil machine can cast over me?

I'm not stupid. At least not unusually so. I think of myself as an average late middle age American with not more than the average number of bad habits, but when I sit down in front of my computer, I become a time idiot. A time idiot is someone who can never leave enough time to complete a specific job. But why does it happen to me every time that I sit down in front of my P.C.? The next thing that I know I have stayed past the time for the T.V. show that I was looking forward to.

So – yesterday I took off my wrist watch and put it down in front of me on the computer stand. With my watch right there in front of me and literally between me and the computer screen, how could I possibly lose track of time?

I told myself I'm just going to stay 5 minutes. At the end of the 5 minutes I was almost done, when whoops, here comes another one. Well, how long can it take to read just one email and send a quick response? Well guess what! When I finished reading that email and researching the info that I needed for the reply, it was almost a half hour. So there went the program that I wanted to see between 9 and 10. There was no point in watching the last part of the story if you don't know the beginning, so I may as well do some research on Google. Hello, that research took me well into the next hour. Pretty soon its half past eleven. All my favorite shows are over except for the late night shows.

Well, as soon as I finish this piece, I'm working on some ZZZZZZ's.

Aaron Rosloff

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B'NAI TIKVAH COMMUNITY

Kol HaKavod

Where's Dorothy? Usually, you will find her at B'nai Tikvah, working hard to make our shul a better place. This past Purim you could have found a record number of Waldos (as in "Where's Waldo") on our Bimah. This was organized and made possible by our very own Dorothy Cohen. This is just one of the many events that Dot has put her energy and effort into and succeeded with flying colors (in this case, red and white!) She saw a similar event publicized for a Rutgers Dance-a-thon, found a contact from the event and adapted it for a very successful and fun Megillah reading at B'nai Tikvah.

But this is only one of Dot's recent accomplishments. Over the past twenty years, Dot has volunteered for countless projects, committees and events; whether by invitation or by her own vision of a need. A few examples include helping the Men's Club with the Yom Hashoah yellow candles, High Holiday preparation of the books and chairs, reading the names on Yom Hashoah and helping in the nursery school; just to name a handful.

Dot's talents can also be seen in the Beit Midrash. She created the amud (table) cover and an extra one to cover the Torahs, both made in honor of her son's 2005 Bnei Mitzvah Class.

One of the areas that Dot has had the greatest impact lately is the Youth Committee. Working as Co-Chair and then taking over as the Chairperson, she has helped make our USY and Kadima chapters among the best in the area. She has spent countless hours making sure the Purim Carnival is a huge success (it was!), creating and organizing programs that are engaging and fun (they are!) and working with the advisors, chapter boards and members to ensure B'nai Tikvah offers active and vibrant youth groups (we do!).

For all that you do for our youth, for all the work you put into our shul and for all the fun (and Waldos) that you bring to our lives, we say "Kol Hakavod" to Dorothy Cohen!

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NOTICE

Bereavement Group Forming

In the fall of 2010, a bereavement group under the guidance of Rabbi Wolkroff will start meeting on a regular basis. A need has developed in our community to support our congregants who have suffered a loss.

We would like you to contact us so we can assess the needs of those who want to attend.

As we get more input, and get closer to the initial meeting date, information will be published in the Hakol.

Please feel free to contact us as representatives of this newly forming group.

Ilene Karp 732-297-6646 or

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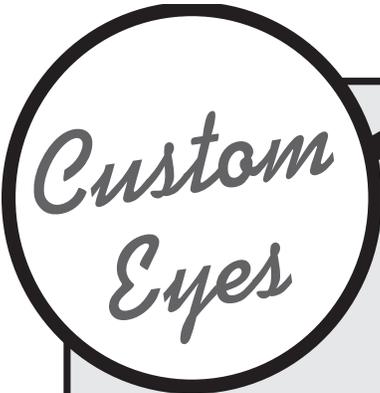
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A MEMBERSHIP MINUTE

IMPORTANT NOTICE – FREE MEMBERSHIP!!

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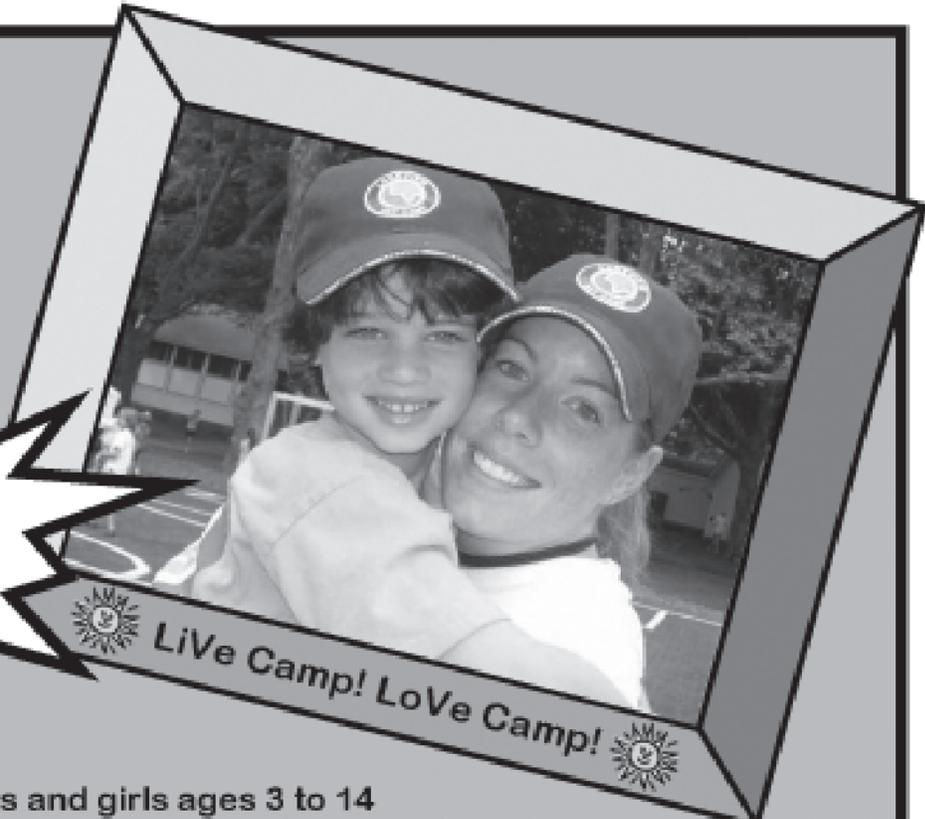
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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REPORTS *Ann Kanarek, Director*

LEARNING HOW TO GIVE

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This year, each class in our Religious School chose the organization(s) that would be the recipient of their contributions. The choices were made after much exploration and discussion of various institutions in need of help. We had the great privilege --- z'chut --- to donate to the following organizations:

MAZON, Save the Rainforest, St. Jude's Children Hospital, Elijah's Promise, Jewish National Fund, Israeli Defense Force (IDF), American Heart Association, Jewish Braille Institute, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Make-A-Wish Foundation, and others.

The Talmud says, "As tiny scales join to form a strong coat of mail, so little donations combine to form a total good." I am certain that the contributions our children make in their classrooms today, will, indeed, help to ensure the continuation of our Jewish heritage tomorrow.



SUGGESTIONS FOR JEWISH LEARNING DURING THE SUMMER VACATION

Although formal Jewish education for the students in our religious school is at a hiatus until September, there are many things that you can do Jewishly that are educational, interesting, and lots of fun. Here are some suggestions:

- While on vacation, search out the local synagogue wherever you might me.
- Spend some time in a local Jewish museum and those of any city your are visiting.
- Check out the Jewish book section in your local book store, or in the public library.
- Buy a new Jewish cookbook and experiment with a recipe that looks interesting to try out.
- Make your family tree ---- see how many generations back you can go.
- If a child in your family is approaching Bar/Bat Mitzvah, complete the 13 Mitzvot program.
- Make a list of all the things you always wanted to do Jewishly, never had a chance to do, and try some of them.

- Brush up on your Hebrew.
- Do a mitzvah at least once a week.

And, above all, whatever your family's plans for the summer, I hope that it will be a wonderful one.

As this is my last Hakol article, I wish to take this opportunity to extend my gratitude to all of you for your kindness, love, and support. I've had a very fulfilling career and have enjoyed every moment of my thirteen years serving as your Director of Education. We have shared so many wonderful experiences and you have made my years here very fulfilling and rewarding. It has been a real pleasure! Thank you!

I wish everyone well and hope that you will continue to keep in touch with me.

Best wishes for a relaxing and enjoyable summer and a happy and healthy new year!!

Fondly,

Ann Kanarek

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REMINDERS

FRIDAY, JUNE 4:

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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REPORTS

Thank You Ann Kanarek

A teacher of the Torah must be a role model as a human being, as well as a scholar.— Pirkei Avos.

When the Talmudic scholars wrote this, they had Ann Kanarek in mind. Ann imparted the wisdom of the scholars for the past thirteen years as B'nai Tikvah's Religious School Director. Ann's teaching philosophy was rooted in her love of Judaism, which she instilled in all her students throughout their years of learning Torah.

At the end of this school year, Ann will be leaving B'nai Tikvah. We can't thank Ann enough for her many wonderful years of service to the Religious School and her dedication to the B'nai Tikvah community.

For those of you who are new or recent members of B'nai Tikvah, Ann was hired as the temple's first full-time Religious Education Director in 1997. We credit Ann with creating a school curriculum that celebrated Judaism by fostering a positive Jewish feeling and attitude. With an eye for the creative, Ann integrated many hands-on programs into the teaching curriculum, such as making tallit and crafting yads and menorahs. Ann also focused her efforts on creating special programs that encouraged parental involvement in their children's Jewish education. One of the more popular programs, the JET or Jewish Experiences Together program, became known tongue-in-cheek as "Jews Eating Together" after Ann had brought bagels for the families participating in the program.

Ann established strong relationships with her teaching staff, her students and parents. Ann can be especially proud to have had many of her students continue to serve B'nai Tikvah as toranim, a post-b'nai mitzvah community service program which she founded.

We will be celebrating Ann's achievements on Friday evening, June 4th, at a special farewell event. We invite you to join us at 7:30pm that night to honor Ann as a teacher, mentor, and friend.

B'shalom,

Debbie Allen, Lauren Cohen, and the Members of the B'nai Tikvah Religious School Committee

One does not keep children from school even to build the Temple.

- Talmud, Shabbat

Example isn't another way to teach, it is the only way to teach.

- Albert Einstein

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NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS PHYLLIS DENENBERG, DIRECTOR

Another Wonderful Year of Growth

This year has really flown by. We have watched our children grow socially, emotionally and physically. We are so proud of all their achievements!

Our last day of school this year is Friday, June 11th. Dismissal will be at 12:00 for the 2 ½ and 3 year old classes. There will be no lunch, enrichment or late stay. The Pre-k class will stay in school and prepare for graduation beginning at 12:30 in the sanctuary followed by a reception in the social hall.

Kudos to our entire staff for an outstanding year:

Ms. Melissa Burnett

Ms. Heather Gable

Mrs. Rita Goldstein (Administrative asst.)

Ms. Rosa Gonzalez (Late Stay)

Mrs. Ina Horn

Mrs. Maria Lesko

Mrs. Allison Schechter

Mrs. Carol Winter

A tremendous thank you goes to our PAC (Parent Action Committee), co-chaired by Jennifer Manson (mother of Sam, class of 2009 and Max 2012) and Syndi Smoller (Mason 2006, Rebecca 2009 and Seth 2012). Their tireless devotion to our children is much appreciated. Kudos to the fundraising chairs, Ginger Haber (mother of James, class of 2011), Jenna Lawson (Connor, 2011& Peyton 2012) and Caryn Liebmann (Elliora, 2011 and Arianna 2013) and all the volunteers that made this year so successful.

I'd like to thank Susan Kleinman (Connor & Peyton's grandmother), Syndi Smoller, and Jenna Lawson for all

their many hours creating our fifth annual Pre-K yearbook. Yasher Koach to Steve Hudes for again creating an outstanding cover for the yearbook.

Registration for school and camp is ongoing.

To accommodate working parents
our hours are extend from

7:30 AM to 6:00 PM!

Tell your friends!

Have a wonderful, healthy and safe summer.

Until September..

Phyllis



A moment from the Nursery School Mother's Day Tea

FAMILY SHABBAT *continued from page 1*

Miller for shopping for the ingredients for our meal as well as helping to set up the room; Ellie and Bill Greenberg for helping to set up the room; Sydney Sookerman for helping set up as well as assisting us in keeping the children's attention focused during the service (this was Sydney's Bat Mitzvah project, we are sad to see her go). And to everyone who helps clean up afterward – thank you very much as well.

It is hard to believe that the Family Shabbat program was started over 15 years ago and is still going - stronger than ever. We appreciate the loyalty shown by everyone who attends each month and for those brave souls who try us out for the very first time! We love that this program continues to be multi-generational and enjoy the interaction of grandchildren, parents and grandparents. Thank you for making Family Shabbat a monthly stop in your very busy schedules. Yes, there are some nights

when we do not think that we will make it to 7:30pm, but the children seem to rejuvenate us and we always end up having a great time. Your children are all wonderful and it has been a pleasure to watch those children who were too shy at first to participate finally muster up the courage to join our circle!

We will be working over the summer to make some changes to the program as well as to look for ways to incorporate those children who are just a bit too old for our service who still have younger siblings – we will keep you posted.

We hope to see our regulars back in the fall as well as many new families and new friends.

Mini Met on!!!!

Bobbi and Marc Binder

B'NAI TIKVAH YOUTH

KADIMA



Congratulations Farrah Cukor, Andrew Katz, Emma Becker & Rachel Allen for attending 10 events so far this year! They received a gift card to Target! It's not too late for some members to receive a gift card. Only one more event to go.

Kadima welcomed the 5th Graders with an Ice Cream Social & everyone had a great time! September will be here before you know it. Applications for next year will be out during the summer. Stay tuned for an exciting Kadima year! If you have any questions or concerns during the summer, just ask!

Sunday, June 6 - Closing Event, Pool Party at the Bierstein's home from 1:30-3:30 pm. The address is 428 Ridge Rd, Dayton. Snacks will be served. Don't forget your towel! In case of rain, I'll contact those who RSVP with alternate plans. RSVP by 6/1.

Reminder to all, that Encampment is from August 22-29. Applications are due by June 25 to the Regional Office. Encampment is opened to all members of Kadima & USY going into 6-12 grades! If you need an application here is a link,

<http://www.hagalilusy.com/applications/camp10.pdf>

Don't forget you need my signature, please plan ahead!

I would like to say good luck to my 8th grade Kadima Members going into USY. You helped me end my 3rd year as Chapter Advisor with B'nai Tikvah as a success! Congratulations & you'll have a great time with USY! I hope that you will visit:

Lana Gerstein, Jillian Gonchar, Matthew Juro, Nicole Lefkowitz, Erica Lepinsky, Samantha Riemann, Rachel Sherman, Samantha Sherman, Jason Shindler, Sydney Sookerman, Jeremy Stein, Gabe Waksman & Jessica Zimmerman.

Thank you to all my Kadima families for all the support during my pregnancy on bed rest & all the nice emails after Seth's birth! Both Scott & I really appreciate everything, it's great to work for such a kind synagogue!

I do hope everyone has a great summer! Thanks to all my Kadima Members this year for making this a very successful year at all Chapter & Regional events! We ended the year with 41 members, let's beat that number and grow the membership even larger next year.

Jordana Andersen
Kadima Advisor
Btkadima@gmail.com
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U.S.Y.



Spring convention was great! Our chapter had a pretty big presence and it was all in all fun! Congratulations to the N/S Brunswick chapter who won the Tikun Olam award for raising over \$1,900 for SA/TO!!!!

Closing event!!! Sunday, June 13th we will be having closing event at Jesse Talmud's house, 5 Patriot Court East Brunswick, NJ 08816, at 12:30-4:00. The event will be a swimming party and BBQ so come hungry and with your bathing suits!!!! We would love for 8th graders to join us! For this event USYers and 8th graders MUST RSVP to Miri-Tal at;
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We would like to recognize the outgoing chapter board members for their time and dedication to making this year a great one in Hagalil USY:

Chapter Presidents: *Kira Greenberg & Jesse Talmud*

Israel Awareness Vice-President: *Jesse Nagleberg*

Religious Education Vice President: *Rebecca Safeer*

Social Action/

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Membership/

Programming Vice-President: *Sarah Shindler*

Communications Vice President: *Heather Rosen*

Secretary: *Ellie Tunison*

Freshman Representative: *Sarah Safeer*

We would also like to wish our outgoing seniors good luck:

- Rebecca Binder
- Rebecca Eisenberg
- Cory Nagleberg
- Heather Rosen
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SISTERHOOD

Sisterhood Happenings

Friday June 11th – Sisterhood Intallation and Shabbat Dinner

Sisterhood invites you to join us for a Shabbat dinner at B'nai Tikvah at 6:30pm. Shabbat services will follow dinner at 8pm. The cost for the dinner is \$15 per adult and \$8 per child (age 5-12, free for age 5 and under). This is our installation of new officers evening and a good time will be had by all. Please RSVP to Phyllis Safeer at 732-432-9622 or pbjsr@comcast.net to let her know if you will be coming to the dinner. The RSVP is due no later than Friday, June 4th.

Elections and Belly Dancing

Sisterhood held our annual election along with a "Learn to Belly Dance" program with Crystal Mor in May. The program was great fun. Not only did Sisterhood members learn to belly dance and get a great workout, we got to see Crystal, a professional belly dancer, perform two dances.



Sisterhood would like to congratulate the following Board Members for the upcoming year who were elected into office during the May 6th Sisterhood General meeting:

President	Teresa Samtur
Admin VP	Bonnie Kudwitt
Fundraising VP	Andrea Katz and Chris Pollock
Membership VP	Renee Juro and Ruth Shindler
Programming VP	Shelly Talmud and Caryl Greenberg
Education VP	Bobbi Binder
Corresponding Secretary	Joella Jiorle

Recording Secretary	Ellie Greenberg
Financial Secretary	Fern Katronetsky
Treasurer	Elisa Berness
Past President	Phyllis Safeer
Publicity	Adriana Reininger
Gift Shop (with Felice Ceccione and Nancy Asher-Shultz)	Serena Blackin
Communications	Gale Dillman
Good & Welfare	Michele Sherman
Jewish Living	Lori Sookerman
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Israeli Affairs	Lisa Warner
School & Youth	Ellyn Schneider
Creative Handcrafts	Debra Valan
Historian	Bonnie Kudwitt

Sisterhood would also like to thank the Nominating Committee for putting together the slate of officers for next year: Phyllis Safeer (chair and Past President), Fern Katronetsky, Bonnie Kudwitt, Terri Woller, and Tammy Zimmerman. We appreciate your service on the Nominating Committee. Sisterhood also thanks the board members who are not returning to the board next year and welcomes new and returning board members. We are looking forward to a wonderful year and we invite everyone at the synagogue to get involved and support Sisterhood.

Mah Jongg Cards

Missed the order deadline? You can still purchase cards at the Sisterhood Gift Shop. Contact Serena Blackin at 732-390-9515 for summertime arrangements.

Mitzvah Baskets

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B'nai Tikvah Calendar Fundraiser September 2010 - August 2011

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B'NAI TIKVAH COMMUNITY

MEN'S CLUB

A Message from your Men's Club President, Steve Katz

Chevre,

Fifteen years ago, Andrea and I had made the decision to join the B'nai Tikvah family. During this time we've enjoyed many positive experiences and grew as a young Jewish family spiritually along with the many close friends that we've made along the way.

About ten years ago, Cantor Rockman approached me about joining the CBT Men's Club. The Club was at a crossroads and needed a new infusion of active membership to get it back on track. He thought that I might enjoy the experience and to date I truly have. I have served in many Club positions since and together with a great group have shared many positive experiences locally and regionally with other Clubs organizing and attending social functions and meetings, participating in the many trips sponsored, and supporting many meaningful projects for our children and congregation.

Today, I ask those of the next generation to help sustain and take this club to the next level. As a former Cub Scout and Boy Scout leader, I would always say to the Scouts and Parents that what you get out of the program will be proportionate to what you put into it. In this fast paced world that we live in, many times we lack the quality time for ourselves. I believe that the Men's Club can provide the conduit for that quality time by providing the camaraderie of a great group of friends.

As the President of the Men's Club for the past two years, I too would like to take my B'nai Tikvah experience to the next level by participating and experiencing new responsibilities within the congregation. Our bylaws dictate that every 2 years a new President should be elected with the outgoing President still providing the support and advice to the new leadership. I welcome the new membership and leaders into our Men's Club for 2010 and hope that you will experience the same fulfillment that I have.

For questions about the Men's Club please email me, Steve Katz, at skatz56@aol.com or just give me a call. Thank you.

The Men's Club would like to thank the following families for supporting the Yom Hashoah/Yellow Candle program. Your donations help the Men's Club defray the costs in sustaining this program year to year. With your generous support, we have had the opportunity to bring

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Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 25

The Fifty Plus Group will meet on Tuesday, June 25, at 12:30 pm in the Social Hall of the Synagogue for our paid-up luncheon catered by Classical Caterers. We will also have entertainment based on a Neil Simon skit, directed by our member, Carol Kramer.

Reservations for this luncheon must be made before June 14 by calling Doris @ 609-860-1498 or the other Doris @ 732-745-1984.

Our Tuesday, July 27 meeting will be at 1 pm in the Synagogue and will include an Ice Cream Festival. Come and enjoy a cool afternoon and hear about our plans for the August 24 meeting and the New Year.

For more information

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MEN'S CLUB

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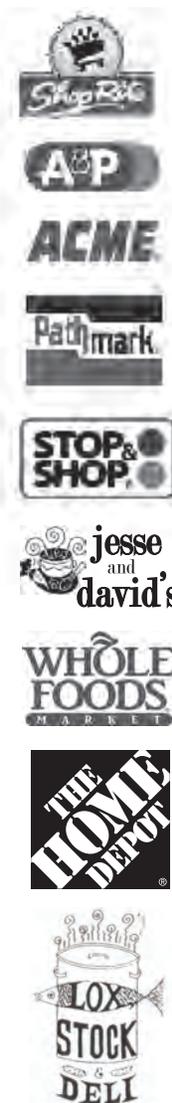
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Like the old song lyric says: "June is bustin out all over!" With this month there are many activities. For instance, there is Father's Day (6/20), both college and high school graduations/parties as well as weddings. During June many of the activities move to the outdoors so people may enjoy the warmer weather. Winter is the time to hibernate; June is the time to be outside. Following June there are July and August. Swimming pool parties, bridal showers, weddings, prepping our college aged children for September, etc. You get the idea.

Even though the religious school is on summer break that doesn't mean that the Gift Card (GC) committee also goes on break. Most of the GC committee members remain available to assist you with your purchase of GCs. Sufficient supplies of A&P, Acme, Pathmark, Shop Rite, Stop & Shop, Whole Foods, Lox, Stock & Deli, Jesse & Davids and Home Depot GCs are ready to be purchased all summer long. The GC committee members will continue to provide you with the same quality service as they have during the rest of the year. One piece of advice: you may wish to contact one of the committee members or Sherry Valan just to make sure that your order can be completed. If there is any need to stock up on GCs during the summer, then your order(s) will be satisfied within a reasonable amount of time. Remember, any orders you place during the summer and up to the end of Congregation B'nai Tikvah's (CBT) fiscal year will be applied toward your family's assessment of annual GC orders.



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Officers. There we learned how the IDF identifies and trains its highest ranking officers. What deeply touched me was to hear that all potential officers in the Israeli army are required to travel to Poland for a week, and spend time at Auschwitz. At that moment I thought of my Grandmother Malka, my Great Aunt Adah, my Aunt Lucia, all of whom did not survive Auschwitz. My Grandmother Malka and my Aunt Lucia were sent to the gas chambers upon arrival and Adah, who was my mother's guardian angel, could not keep up with the others selected to go on one of the "marches to nowhere" and was shot in the head along with the other "stragglers."

My mother often told me how beautiful Adah looked even at the very end. That she had a grace and dignity about her and that even with no hair and no body mass, she had "beautiful eyes that radiated faith and a belief and hope in people." My mother, in her description of my Great Aunt Adah, which can be found at Yad Vashem, went on to say that "she pleaded with Adah to let her go on the march - my mother was too weak at that point and Adah knew that, and hid my mother under the "floor boards" of the barrack and covered her with dirt" - and that Adah just looked at her and said "you have to survive, our family must have one survivor." That was

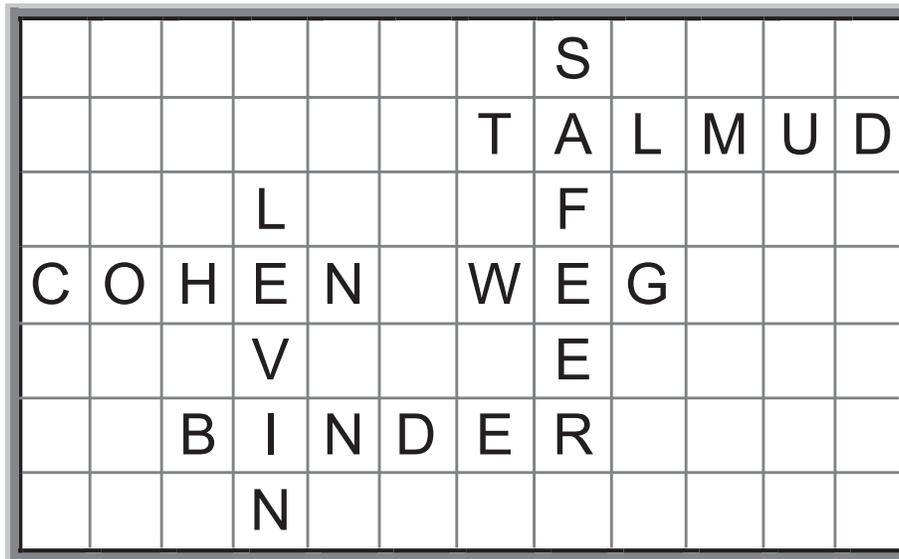
their goodbye. Adah inspired and motivated my mother to keep living.

Why do the officers in training visit Auschwitz? Because this is where they are exposed to the painful history of the Holocaust, not by reading about it in a book, but by looking at it directly and feeling the impact of the millions of murdered Jews whose cemetery is just the cold ground underneath their feet. The government believes that future officers must feel the pain of the Holocaust in order to get the motivation they need to lead soldiers into war to protect Israel so that all Jews have a homeland that will take them in, no questions asked. I also knew at that moment that the motivation that my mother, who miraculously survived Auschwitz, has given me to be a good person who must stand up to intolerance and indifference are the same core beliefs that are taught to and guide the officers.

The officers are also taught that "if you do not love your people you cannot lead." What a beautiful philosophy to give your officers as they take on the responsibility of making life and death decisions.

We must as leaders back home love our community and make caring thoughtful decisions on behalf of our Jewish community, because that is the right thing to do based on

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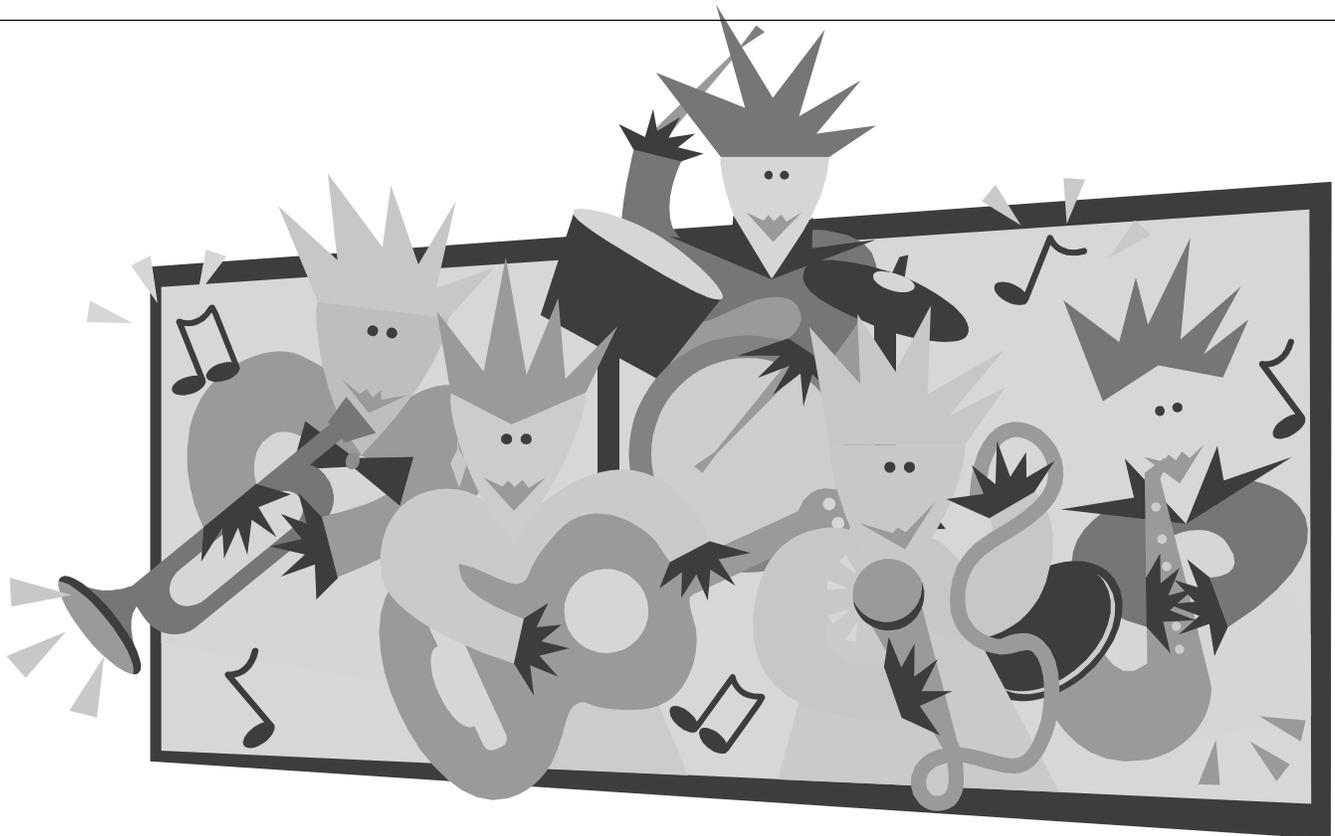
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our faith.

We visited Sderot, a city of 15,000 people adjacent to Gaza, that has been the target of thousands of rockets over the last eight years. Over 70 percent of the children in this city have been diagnosed with post traumatic stress disorder. The government is doing everything it can to provide therapy services but the need is great. There is constant tension in the air that at any time the alarm will go off throughout the city giving people just 15 seconds to run to the hundreds of bomb shelters that have had to be constructed.

Laura Bialis, an award winning filmmaker for her 2008 documentary "Refusniks" who is eight months pregnant with her first child, spoke to us. She heard from friends in Israel what was happening in Sderot and she could not understand why the American press was not covering the story in a fair manner. So Laura made Aliya and moved to this city, fell in love and married an Israeli. Laura is almost done with her documentary "Sderot – Rock in the Red Zone." Her work will ensure that this situation gets the proper attention. Laura fought back and while the press has been indifferent to Sderot's plight, she is doing what she can to change that situation. I really admired her action.

Lastly, I want to profile Michael Levine who I think about every day. I "met" Michael at a moving ceremony on Erev Yom Hazikaron, the Eve of Israel's Remembrance Day, a time when the nation remembers its debt and expresses gratitude to its sons and daughters who gave their lives in service to their country.

Michael grew up in an upper middle class suburb of Long Island. Growing up he always talked about Israel and after college he decided to move there, alone, and join the army. This was his purpose in life. He just knew from a very young age that he had to be an Israeli soldier. During his time in Israel he made many Israeli friends, but he was lonely, especially on weekends when the soldiers were off and most were able to go home to their families. In Michael's journal he wrote about how hard it was to fight the loneliness but that it had to be done and he never wavered when it came to his convictions. He fought valiantly during the first Lebanon war. He had gone home to spend time with his family on Long Island when he saw that the second war with Lebanon had broken out. Against his family's wishes he returned to Israel to fight in that war. He was shot down by enemy gunfire. His diary expressed that he wanted to be buried in Israel along with the other soldiers. His family honored his wishes.

When the country heard the story of Michael Levine the population was moved beyond words. Thousands of Israelis attended his funeral. Men and women were crying in the streets. I was crying in the audience as I embraced this young man who gave everything up

to fight for a Jewish homeland. His family started the "Lonely Soldier Foundation" that has raised money to build a retreat open to any soldier who is alone in Israel and needs a warm and welcoming place to go to recharge and rest.

I met many more inspirational people on this trip. Too many to present in one article and I had the opportunity to visit so many special places. Throughout this entire experience it was my Jewish identity that was strengthened by the beautiful landscapes, our Jewish history that goes back thousands of year to this land, and the wonderful people who embraced me and made me feel so welcome and at home.

How will I use what I learned from the profoundly inspirational journey called the Tanzman Fellows Program? I will continue to nurture my relationships with my Tanzman Fellow counterparts at the different Jewish institutions throughout Middlesex County with the goal of breaking down the barriers that exist between synagogues. We are all Jews and it should not matter if we identify ourselves as Reform, Conservative, or Orthodox. I believe that the Rejoice Festival, the brainchild of Aaron Rosloff, represents the perfect project to grow from what it is now to what it could be if the Tanzman Fellow Nominating Groups worked together as one through Federation. Each synagogue and agency could take a piece of the work and ensure that their members attend the festival and our local Federation could do the marketing. I hope we can move in this direction, if not with the Rejoice Festival, then with another special project.

I want to remain open and warm and kind to all congregants and strive to be a good listener so that opportunities for connections and new relationships do not pass me by. Creating community—isn't that what we all want and hunger for down deep? May we all do our part to make sure CBT remains a warm and loving community, a "little Israel" in the heart of New Jersey. May we all stay true to our values and honor and reflect on those people who make a true difference in the lives of others.

Thank you Rabbi Wolkoff, Cantor Rockman, and President Ruth Anne Koenick for nominating me to represent CBT in the Tanzman Fellow Leadership Program. Thank you CBT for having faith in that nomination.

Your Fellow Congregant,

Mirah Becker

"This article is dedicated to my Great Aunt Adah who saved my mother's life during the Holocaust and whose soul lives on in me. Thank you, mom, for blessing me, your youngest child, with Adah's noble legacy. With all my love, Mirah."

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Annual Meeting

June 14, 2010 7:30pm

Congregation B'nai Tikvah, North Brunswick

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We would also like to thank Sherry Valan for helping in the synagogue office.

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THINGS TO DO

Plugged In with Sons of Tikvah

Friday, June 4 7:30 PM

Seudah & Study, (free food)

Saturday, June 5 7:15 PM

Sisterhood, Installation & Dinner

Friday, June 11 6:30 PM

Federation Installation

Monday, June 14, 7:30 PM

Chai Membership Anniversary

Saturday, June 19, 9:30 AM

Torah Trope Club 10th Anniv

Saturday, June 19, 9:30 AM

Blood Drive

Sunday, July 18, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Tisha B'Av

Monday, July 19, 8:00 PM

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Many More Events*

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