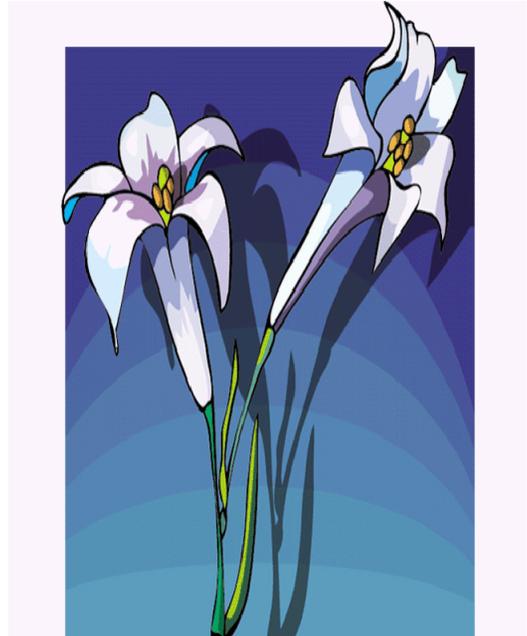


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| May 6  | Sisterhood Fundraiser   |
| May 7  | Board of Directors  |
| May 10 | Lag Ba'Omer<br>Sisterhood Elections<br>Kadima Tye Dye<br>Torah Fund Program |
| May 11 | Nursery School Mother's Day Tea<br>Birthday Shabbat                         |
| May 12 | Junior Congregation for Grown Ups   |
| May 13 | Mother's Day<br>Gimel Class Model Wedding                                   |
| May 14 | Sisterhood Board  |
| May 16 | Adult-Ed  |
| May 17 | Youth Committee   |
| May 18 | Alef Consecration<br>Family Shabbat   |
| May 19 | Last Junior Congregation  |
| May 20 | Last day of Religious School<br>Teacher Appreciation<br>Yom Yerushalayim    |
| May 21 | Ritual Committee  |
| May 27 | Shavuot   |
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## A Message From Rabbi Robert Wolkoff

For every complex problem, there is always a simple solution.

And it is always wrong.

One such complex problem is anti-Semitism. One such simple solution is “education.”



And that simple solution is always wrong, as would be obvious after just a few moment’s reflection. Have there never been educated anti-Semites? Many of the greatest anti-Semites in history were the intellectual giants of their day (St. John Chrysostom, St. Augustine, St. Agobard, Martin Luther, Voltaire, Wagner, and arguably Karl Marx). The most educated countries in Europe in the 1930’s were also the most anti-Semitic (Germany, France, Poland). The most virulent anti-Semites in America today are not in Montana or Alabama, but in Harvard Square and Berkeley. And it is a widely known fact that the biggest purveyors of anti-Semitism in the Middle East are those with a college (often, American) education.

Simply put, the notion of education as an answer to anti-Semitism is a reassuring liberal myth. In fact, the widespread belief in this myth points us toward the real complexity of the problem of anti-Semitism, and the complexity of its solution.

The real problem of anti-Semitism is not that people are ignorant of Jews (and thus in need of education). Rather, it is that people are driven by myths, often delusional myths, about Jews, myths so deeply held that no amount of education could possibly overcome them.

Allow me to offer one example that has nothing to do with the question of anti-Semitism. Consider this: until recently, the United States was in control of the oil fields of Iraq—arguably the richest spoils of war of all time. Conservative estimate of its worth? Oh, a mere 3.25 *trillion* dollars. And a little while ago, the last American soldier pulled out of Iraq. What was America left with?

The right to buy that oil at the going market price—which is exactly what we had before.

To anyone with an ounce of objectivity, this will be seen as one of the most remarkable events in the history of war, and it will underscore our belief in American exceptionalism, the uniquely American moral stamp on human affairs. No other nation has ever done anything like this.

Nevertheless, at Dial-a-Demonstrator, you still will be able to find endless numbers of “intellectuals” who will condescendingly inform you that “the whole war was about oil.”

Go figure. The issue is not education. They’re real educated at Rent-a-Riot. The issue, instead, is the human tendency to believe in whatever myth is necessary in order to avoid serious thought.

Otherwise known as idolatry.

Our tradition tells us that ridding ourselves, not to mention all of humanity, of idolatrous delusions is no easy task. At the same time, though, it is Judaism’s profound hope that this is exactly what will happen. This hope is underscored at this particular time of the year, as we count the days between Passover and Shavuot. Humanity in the 21<sup>st</sup> century finds itself in practical terms where we find ourselves, symbolically, in our ritual calendar—between the time of our physical liberation and the time of our spiritual liberation. The wealth and technology of the modern world is breathtaking. It opens for us unprecedented opportunities. It ought to be a time of great enlightenment. Instead, though, the Assads and Ahmadinejads of the world use their wealth only to create more darkness. Overcoming that darkness is humanity’s foremost challenge—and it always has been. As we count the days of the omer, let us make each day count.

Shalom,

Rabbi Robert L. Wolkoff

## From the Desk of Cantor Bruce Rockman



**People Are Hungry Everyday!  
The Musical Angels are  
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**The world stands on three foundations,  
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service to community  
and acts of loving-kindness.  
*Mishna Avot***

**Tuesday Evening June 12** we will be hosting a very special evening of music, the second annual **“People Are Hungry Everyday!”** a FREE benefit concert sponsored by the South Brunswick Area Clergy Association to benefit the South Brunswick Food Bank. The concert is FREE to all but we will ask you to make a contribution that will help nourish so many that are in need our help with our community.

Last month the clergy association presented a similar concert that included Shalom Aleichem and a rousing version of Havah Negilla at Christ the King Lutheran Church. Jews, Christians and Muslims were singing, and clapping along, as our band played Jewish music in a church. With the help of a very talented roster of musicians, we raised a bunch of money for our scholarship fund and shared our vision of that neighbors can help neighbors.

I have trumpeted and nurtured events like these and have come to the conclusion that the more we work to understand each other the easier it is for us to express our personal aspirations. We celebrate who we are as a Jewish community within and along side of people of significantly different religious beliefs and as such we validate and strengthen our identity as Jews.

Those who have seen the “Musical Angels” concerts can attest to the amazing musicianship of the contributors. You will hear jazz, classical, pop, folk music and the ever-lively Sons of Tikvah Band, with a few surprises!

LouAnne Wolf, Social Services Director [of South Brunswick](#) and a member of B'nai Tikvah will once again help us coordinate this event. We thank LouAnne, Carol Greenberg, Janis Baer, Arlene Frumkin and so many of you who have aroused kindness within our community and inspire us all to make a difference.

Abraham is seen as the common root of the three great faiths of Christianity, Islam and Judaism. In a painting by Marc Chagall, the artist depicts a fatherly Abraham receiving three angels symbolizing the powerful connection and shared values between Christians, Muslims and Jews.

I look forward to seeing you all; June 12<sup>th</sup> is a night that you must circle on your calendars!

With Joy and Appreciation,  
Cantor Bruce Rockman



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Did you know 1 in 40 Ashkenazic Jews carries the BRCA gene mutation? That's nearly 10 times the rate of the general population, making Jewish families significantly more susceptible to hereditary breast and ovarian cancer? The lives of too many family members and friends have been touched by these diseases and I have been trying to find a way to help...For years I have been doing the "Race for the Cure" but for my Mitzvah project I wanted to do something more "hands on"...so I've teamed up with Sharsheret!

Sharsheret, Hebrew for "chain", is a national not-for-profit organization supporting young women and their families, of all Jewish backgrounds, facing breast cancer.

## Join us for a mani "CURE"\* in support of Sharsheret!

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Allison Harkavy



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We'll also have cookies & pink flowers for sale.  
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### BE A TATTLE TALE

Please let us know when a congregant or family can use our caring support.

Contact Rabbi Wolkoff  
or the Bikur Cholim Committee  
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### SAVE THE DATES

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING  
JUNE 18, 8:00 pm

BLOOD DRIVE  
SUNDAY, JULY 22, 11am - 3pm

## ANOTHER VIEWPOINT

### Skinning the Cat

There is more than one way to skin a cat. Don't worry. It's just an old expression. I never actually knew anyone who skinned a cat. It's just a way of saying that there is more than one way to do something. In this case, it's my way of finding something to write about while trying to make it interesting without really saying anything important. Having reached the time of life when people make allowances for my crepitude (my what?), I can take advantage and write about nothing to write about.



For instance, why should anyone be concerned about the fact that I have given up driving at night because of tearing? Not tearing as in tearing a piece of paper, but the exact same word in our weird English language is used to describe my eye problem. For some reason, the three ophthalmologists that I have consulted say that my aging carcass is producing more tears than I need in order to keep my eyeballs lubricated. During the day, it is only a minor problem.

All I have to do is to occasionally wipe a tear from my cheek, but at night each tear becomes a lens and turns the usual glare from oncoming cars into blinding flares.

So, in the interest of continuing to draw my Social Security checks, much to the consternation of my right-wing friends, I have taken the coward's way out and stopped driving after dark.

This is where skinning the cat comes in. There are fewer opportunities to get under the skin of some people who would be just as happy if I stayed at home altogether. Stay at home? Nah! I take advantage of the very nice people who would feel guilty if they didn't volunteer to drive me to whatever event, be it religious or secular, that I want to go to. I just go to my computer and send out an SOS and some very nice person or persons will respond in minutes.

Well, so much for skinning the cat. In truth, I feel like the luckiest man I know to live in this warm community, this congregation, surrounded by caring and generous people. It is a blessing and a privilege.

I thank God and I thank you.

Aaron Rosloff

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Please check out our 2 bulletin boards in the Synagogue. Pictures from events always are added & updated.

Everyone had a blast at the Chocolate Seder in the Youth Lounge, plenty of chocolate for all!

We had a joint Kadima & USY event, "Are you Smarter Than a USYer?" Our Kadima Chapter did a great job! Thanks to our fellow USYers for inviting us to the event!

By the time you read this, we will have had the following events –

**April 12<sup>th</sup>** – Red Green Blue in Princeton to do a Glass Fusion Art Project.

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Regional Roller Rama in Woodbridge.

**April 30<sup>th</sup>** – Our Annual Ice Cream Social in the Youth Lounge to welcome 5<sup>th</sup> Graders coming to Kadima next year.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 6<sup>th</sup>** - Tie Dye at David Juro's House, 24 Eleanor Dr, Kendall Park. The time TBA in the weekly mails. Please bring a T-shirt to dye. RSVP by May 1.

**May 18-20<sup>th</sup>** - Regional Spring Convention for those who'll be attending.

**May 21<sup>st</sup>** - Gym Fun w/ Miss Jenna from 7-8 pm in the Gym. Wear comfortable clothes. RSVP by 5/15.

All communication— in addition to the Hakol articles each month —will be going out through weekly emails. Please make sure to let me know if you change your email address during the year.

Scholarships are available to help with some of the costs for programs. Please contact Steve Juro at 732-960-1215. All conversations are confidential.

Contact me with questions or concerns throughout the year! Applications are available on [bnaitikvah.org/app-usy-kadima-2011-12.pdf](http://bnaitikvah.org/app-usy-kadima-2011-12.pdf) and always accepted.

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Since we last caught up, our favorite USYers have had some fun at some memorable events!

On Thursday, March 15th, we had our first-ever 90's Night and it was a huge hit, with 20 participants! USYers played popular 90's board games such as Clue, Battleship, The Game of Life, and more. The evening also featured some competitive rounds of Uno and Twister along with some of everyone's favorite popular 90's candy – Ring Pops & Air Heads! With some F\*R\*I\*E\*N\*D\*S and The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air episodes playing through the event, we topped off an already enjoyable event!

Sunday, March 18th, was Mr. Hagalil, a regional event that read such as a male beauty pageant with Hagalil-centric categories like Best Shabbat Clothes and Most Unique Talent. Our chapter was represented by Jason Shindler who had a fantastic time competing for the title of "Mr. Hagalil." With 11 other USYers in tow, and more than \$150 raised, Jason had enough support from his NSBUSY family to compete proudly!

Our next event was NSBUSY's version of the television show "Don't Forget the Lyrics." On Tuesday, March 20th, we invited our USYers to come play the popular game show, but with a few unique twists. We featured 6 categories: pop, rock, country, TV theme songs, ruach, and Disney. All 16 USYers in attendance had a great time playing our version of the game and we even ended the evening with one of Hagalil's favorite versions of Scategories, using song titles. This was a very popular event; we will be sure to bring back next year!

On Monday, April 2nd, USY & Kadima teamed up for our first joint event of the year! The event, titled "Are You Smarter Than a Kadimanik/USYer?," brought everyone together for a funny quiz game based on the popular television show, "Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader?" 12 USYers and 8

Kadimaniks participated. We used 1st-5th grade material for the questions and even had special, more difficult, bonus questions at the end of every round. The USYers and Kadimaniks finished in a tie which, of course, means we will have to have a round 2 next year!

By the time you read this article, we will have had the following events:

Babies 'R' US(Y) – Saturday, April 21st  
 Gym Night – Monday, April 23rd  
 Regional Spring Convention – Friday, April 27th –  
 Sunday, April 29th

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS – MAY 2012:**

##### **Tuesday, May 1st**

Mandatory meeting for candidates running for Chapter Board positions, 6pm-7pm.

##### **Thursday, May 3rd**

Letter of Intent DUE if running for a Chapter Board position). Please make sure the Letter of Intent is emailed to nsbrunswickusy@gmail.com

##### **Thursday, May 10th**

Election Night & Movie Night, 6:30-9:00pm We are combining elections (because they do not take very long) with a night of movie watching. Please come prepared to vote for the new Board and with money to bid on movies. Bring a movie you would like to watch. Whichever movie receives the most money will be the winner. All proceeds will be donated to SA/TO! Please RSVP by Sunday, May 6th.

##### **Saturday, May 12th**

Regional Closing Dance, Metuchen – 9:30pm – 12:30am. There will be no bus since it is so close to BT. Please RSVP by Wednesday, May 9 th.

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# Family Shabbat Dinner and Service

## MAY 18, 2012

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Questions? Call Bobbi @ 732-274-2797 or email eemaof3@comcast.net



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Congregation B'nai Tikvah Religious School

Ann Ruth Nimberg  
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Dear Religious School Parents,  
Hebrew evaluations have been completed and if your child needs additional help in the Hebrew program, we will contact you to schedule a conference.

Please make sure to register your child for the 2012-2013 school year. You will find the forms on the Religious School website. As we continue to be paper free, all additional school information will be sent to you via email during the month of August. On May 6<sup>th</sup> here will be a Second Grade orientation. It will take place in the Second Grade classroom at 10:30 a.m.

The Gimmel Class Mock Wedding will be held on Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Invitations will be going out via snail mail. On Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> there will be a Chai Orientation in the Hei Classroom at 9:30 a.m.

On Friday evening, May 18<sup>th</sup>, the Aleph students will be receiving their Siddurim. The service will be at 8:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Please have the children arrive at 7:30 p.m. I look forward to sharing this special evening with you. Mazal Tov to the Aleph students and their families.

The Dalet Jr. Congregation Service will be held on Saturday morning, May 12<sup>th</sup>. Barry Safeer, the Jr. Congregation leader, will be leading the Dalet students.

On Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, Religious School Students will be showing their appreciation to the teaching staff and all the volunteers with a brunch. Please join us and show your appreciation for all that the teachers and the volunteers do.

The last Sunday of Religious School is Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> for our Chai students and our Grade One and Grade Two students. The last day of Religious School for our Aleph-Hei students will be Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The Hei Graduation will take place on Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Specific information will be sent out shortly to the Hei parents. Mazal Tov to the Hei students and their families.

I would like to thank everyone for the support and kindness you have shown to “new kid on the block.” I am excited about the wonderful plans we have for the 2012-2013 Religious School Year! Have a wonderful, safe summer. See you in September!

## MAY EVENTS

May 6	Second Grade Orientation
May 12	Dalet Jr. Congregation Service
May 13	Gimmel Class Mock Wedding, and Chai Orientation
May 18	Aleph Consecration
May 20	Appreciation Brunch and Last Day of classes for Chai School, First and Second Graders
May 21	Religious School Committee Meeting
May 23	Last day of classes for Aleph-Hei

## Bikur Cholim

Hilary Friedman,  
Committee chair



"Am I my brother's keeper?"  
- Genesis 4:9

As we began to approach Passover and I was preparing for the seders and family . . . I pondered the potential drama that comes with a lot of family togetherness. I was thinking specifically about a story I had heard about a "difficult" sister and the effect her nasty behavior had on another sibling during a holiday dinner. Actually, the word that was used to describe the misbehaved sister was "terrorist" but given what is going on in today's world I felt that a better interpretation and a more appropriate choice of words would be "difficult". Although I am not sure the sibling on the receiving end of the bullying would agree, for the purpose of this article, I'll go with "difficult".

The thoughts I had began with how sad it is when families don't get along and continued on to what happens when someone in one of those families becomes ill.

There are times when an important and happy lifecycle event occurs or on the opposing end of the spectrum . . . when someone takes ill, and one of those two things will bridge the gap between family members. Sometimes the bridge is permanent and other times it is temporary; all too often the bridge is never built or crossed.

I am talking about the bridge, or rather the feelings which create the bridge, between two people which can cause them to overlook their hard feelings, put their emotional injuries or resentments behind them, and perhaps remove the chip on their shoulder so that they can move forward and get along.

That bridge is not always possible. The reasons are endless. It is often complicated. However, the need to be able to come to a place where you can look past your own feelings in order to take care of your own is necessary.

It is with all of that in mind that I set the tone for this article. Whether you are standing on one side of a mountain with a "difficult" family member on the other side or you know of someone in this situation, a bridge must be built.

These are not just words from someone who has had no experience with conflict. Although these are my words and my ideas, doing the work of Bikur Cholim and talking regularly with the members of the committee we have come to a place where we can see first hand how sad and destructive it can be to a person when their own family will not step up and assume the responsibility of caring.

If the mitzvah of Bikur Cholim is important, then isn't the mitzvah of healing in your own family just as important, or perhaps even more so?

As the years behind us grow, the years in front of us shorten. There are a million clichés about stopping to smell the roses; eat dessert first, don't sweat the small stuff, life is short and so on. These are all too true.

Here is a simple scenario: Your mom is ill. You and your mom don't get along. You and your dad do. You help to take care of your mom because it makes your dad's life a little easier. It's that simple.

When a family bands together to rally around an illness there is a special force that enhances the healing process. It is this feeling that will fortify and strengthen the attitude of the patient. It is no secret that the more support and comfort a family member has, the better their chance to overcome adversity.

The range of caring is in perspective to the depth of the illness. Sometimes it is short-term and other times it is terminal.

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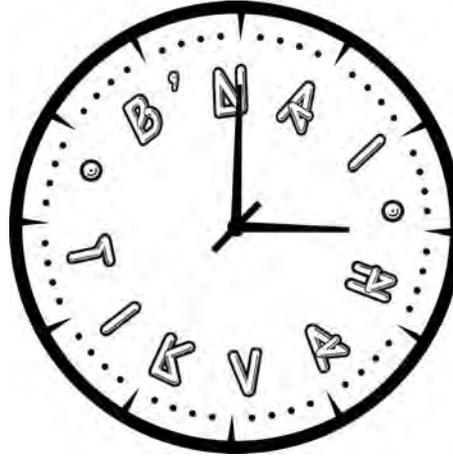
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Friday	8:00 pm
Saturday	9:30 am

### Mincha/Ma'ariv and Havdalah

May	5	7:45 pm
May	12	7:45 pm
May	19	8:00 pm
May	26	
See Shavuot schedule		

### SHAVUOT SCHEDULE

May 26	Mincha, Ma'ariv Havdalah	8:00 pm
May 26	Tikkun Leyl Shavuot	9:30 pm
May 27	Shavuot 1st Day	9:30 am
May 27	Mincha following luncheon	
May 28	Shavuot 2nd Day (Yizkor)	9:30 am
May 28	Mincha	7:30 pm

### Candle Lighting Times

May	4	7:38 pm
May	11	7:45 pm
May	18	7:52 pm
May	25	7:59 pm

### Shabbat Ends

May	5	8:43 pm
May	12	8:51 pm
May	19	8:59 pm
May	26	9:06 pm

## COMING NEXT MONTH

- June 1 Friday Night Plugged-in
- June 3 Hei/Chai Graduation  
Salute to Israel Parade NYC
- June 4 Nursery School Appreciation  
Board of Directors
- June 7 2nd Generation  
Kadima Chill Night
- June 8 Sisterhood Board Installation  
Birthday Shabbat
- June 10 Nursery School Father's Fun
- June 11 Sisterhood Board
- June 12 People are Hungry Concert
- June 13 Nursery School last day
- June 17 Father's Day  
Kadima Closing Event
- June 18 Congregational Meeting
- June 20 First Day of Summer
- June 21 Calendar Meeting
- June 22 Plugged-in and Dinner
- June 24 Camp Orientation
- June 25 First Day of Camp
- June 28 Executive Committee

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## Notes of Board of Directors Meeting April 2, 2012

Casino Night was a success with 145 people in attendance.

Musical Angels will perform at B'nai Tikvah on June 12 to raise money for the East Brunswick Food Bank.

The nominating will meet shortly to ask people to be on the board of directors.

We have 386 families as members.

The first budget meeting for next year will be meeting shortly.

The alarm system and the hot water heater by the sanctuary have been fixed.

The Rabbi and his family will be moving to his new house.

## B'nai Mitzvah May 2012



Adam Seidman  
Son of  
Richard and Lisa Seidman  
May 19

It was the custom (in ancient Israel) that when a boy was born a cedar tree was planted and when a girl was born a pine tree. When they grew up and married, the wedding canopy was made of branches taken from both trees.

Babylonian Talmud, Gittin 57a

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## Bikur Cholim

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Often, it is something in between. In any of these cases there is no question that people who are cared for and attended to by their own family members fare the best.

I wonder if I sound like I am preaching . . . maybe, maybe not. Either way my message is the same: you are your brother's keeper.

Hilary Friedman, Committee chair

# Men's Club

## The Greatest Generation

On Sunday, March 17th, the Men's Club was honored to host a true American Jewish hero, Don Stern. He is a World War II Air Force veteran. As a Bombardier, Don had flown over 32 missions in a B-17 for the 15th Air Force from Foggia, Italy. His stories reminded us why he is considered one of the "Greatest Generation." Don had placed his life on the line repeatedly to fight against the Nazi's so that we may live the free life that we do.

Don has shared with us his stories about his missions which included targets that were heavily defended oil refineries, military sites, and even Auschwitz. Don also shared with us his many artifacts and actual recognizance photos of WWII bombing sites, before and after. Some photos once analyzed were quite shocking in nature as they were realized to be actually of Auschwitz before liberation. Among Don's artifacts are a B-17 Norden bombsight, shrapnel from German anti - aircraft guns and training manuals.

Thank you Don for all that you have done and continue to do by sharing your stories.

## Yom Hashoah (Yellow Candles)

The Men's Club has distributed the Yom Hashoah candles. Please remember to support this important program with your ongoing generosity.

## Joint meeting with Sisterhood -

### Thursday evening, May 3rd after minyan

"Sex after 50"

Thursday, May 3rd after minyan. This is a joint meeting with the Sisterhood. Join us for an educational, interactive discussion on 'Sex after 50'. Dr. Theresa Schaer has over 21 years experience as the Chief of the Division of Geriatrics at St. Peters University Hospital. So even if you are not quite 50 yet, you will be one day! Please join us for this very special opportunity to learn and ask questions about the process of aging and how it relates to intimacy.

For information about Men's Club, please email Steven Katz, MC President at [skatz56@aol.com](mailto:skatz56@aol.com).

Thank you.  
Steven Katz






### Thursday, May 17th:

Please join us for the election of the 2012/2013 Sisterhood Board and a very important meeting on Torah Fund. Our very own Ann Rosensweig will be instrumental in overseeing and presenting this program to us.

### Shavuot Plant Sale:

Help decorate our B'nai Tikvah bima with an array of beautiful plants. Purchase a small plant for \$18.00 or a large one for \$36.00. All proceeds from sale will be donated to the Jewish National Fund. Please order by Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. Flyer for plant sale is in the Hakol.

### Social Action:

For the Month of May, Sisterhood will be collecting the following items for the Ronald McDonald House of New Brunswick:

Toys: (new only): Board games, Stuffed animals and dolls, Books for various reading levels, Puzzles, Movies (rated G), Balls and outdoor games

Food: Canned goods, Non-perishable food items

Household items: Paper products (facial tissue, toilet paper, paper towels), Trash bags, Aluminum foil, plastic wrap and sandwich bags, Laundry detergent and fabric softener, Cleaning products (sponges, dishwashing liquid, dishwasher detergent), Bath and bedroom items (towels, shower curtains, sheets and pillow cases), Personal care products (deodorant, dental floss, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, conditioner)

Gift cards from local grocery stores, department stores (Target, Wal-Mart), and gas stations  
Greeting cards and postage stamps

These items can be brought to any Sisterhood meeting/event or contact Caroline Scharf (732-735-1345) to arrange a convenient collection time. Thank you for your support!

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### Membership:

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### Torah Fund:

Your Torah Fund contribution strengthens and perpetuates Conservative Judaism throughout the world. For information on ways you can support Torah Fund, contact Ann Rosenzweig, 732-249-9141.

### Mitzvah Baskets:

Having a B'nai Mitzvah or other simcha? Let Sisterhood decorate the bima with two non-perishable food baskets that match your color scheme! We also deliver the baskets for use at other synagogues so tell your local friends about this service! For more information or to order your bima baskets please contact Andrea Katz: [macysmomm@aol.com](mailto:macysmomm@aol.com) or 732-329-0687.

### Mazel Tosses:

Enhance the simcha of your child's special day by having Sisterhood make up soft candy filled bags to sweeten the day! Also great for an ufruf. Contact Joyce Gerbman: [Gerbsfam@aol.com](mailto:Gerbsfam@aol.com) or 732-937-5114.

## NURSERY



## SCHOOL

Phyllis Denenberg,  
Nursery School Director

### Spaces are still available for summer camp and fall programs!

Last month our gym was transformed into a matzoh factory (the week before Pesach). Rabbi Azimov of the Chabad of South Brunswick brought real bakers to our school! Our students watched the bakers run to mix water and flour to make dough, knead the dough, flatten it and bake it all in under 18 minutes! All the children then rolled out their own dough, used a tool to make holes and baked their matzohs and took them home. They also received professionally hand-made matzoh to take home. This activity was totally subsidized by the PAC (Parent's Action Committee) due to their great fundraising efforts this year! Caterpillars arrived the week of April 30<sup>th</sup>. Ladybug larvae will be arriving the week of May 14<sup>th</sup>. The caterpillars will become chrysalises and then turn into Monarch butterflies. We will then have a "releasing ceremony" in the playground when the weather is cooperative. Look on our website for pictures! Lag B'Omer will be celebrated by all classes on Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. It is a day of rejoicing and it will be celebrated by having picnics (rain or shine; if it does rain, we will "picnic" in the gym) and making special projects.

This year's Mother's Day Tea will take place on Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> for all classes. Moms, Grandmas and aunts are invited. Invitations were sent out. The children will sing songs and present beautiful gifts to their Moms. There will be iced tea to drink and baked goods to eat. Check out our website for photos.

Conferences will take place on Monday May 21<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> for all classes. Regular classes are in session.

The end of that week we will be preparing for the holiday of Shavuot which will take place over the weekend (Sunday May 27<sup>th</sup> and Monday May 28<sup>th</sup>). Moses received the Torah on Mount Sinai during this time. All classes will "study" the Ten Commandments. It is tradition to eat dairy food on Shavuot. Blintzes and cheesecake will be made and consumed!

**We will be closed, Monday May 28<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day and Shavuot.**

On Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, the Pre-k class will be going on a trip to the Jane Voorhees Zimmerli Art Museum. They will be escorted by a docent around the gallery, read an interactive story and do an art project.

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

Father's Day Fun Day

Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

B'nai Tikvah Gym

Sponsored by the Nursery School's Parent Action Committee (PAC)

#### **Save the Date:**

Pre-K Graduation is: Wednesday June 13, 2012 at 12:30!

### **JCC of North & South Brunswick Day Camp Program 2012**

Our activities will be organized around weekly themes.

Once a week, there will be a special program relating to the theme of the week.

They run for eight weeks beginning Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Check out our website to upload the forms.



## First Session

- Week 1- "The World is a Circle"
- Week 2- "Surfin the U.S.A."
- Week 3 "Go Go Green!"
- Week 4 "Talk to the Animals"

## Second Session

- Week 5 "Camping Out"
- Week 6 "Up, Up and Away"
- Week 7 "Summer Olympics!"
- Week 8 "Ruach and Roll!"

We have summer Mommy & Me and Toddler Fun programs. They run for eight weeks beginning Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Check our website to download the forms.

Until next month,  
Phyllis



Model Seder in the Pre-K Class



Model Seder in the Pre-K class



Model Seder in the 3 year old class



Matzoh Factory comes to JCC

## THANK YOU



First, I want to say THANK YOU to Dave Cukor for getting new carpeting and extra-thick, high-quality padding for the Youth Lounge at a great price! Dave and an assistant spent a full backbreaking day, during President's Day weekend, moving everything and doing the installation. This not only has made the Youth Lounge so much nicer for the Kadimaniks and USYers, but also for the Religious School and Nursery School, which regularly use the room. Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, was our annual Purim Carnival. Anchored by a giant inflatable Castle Fun Center, there were old-fashioned games such as Ring Toss and Boom Blasters, and other great games created by our USYers such as Pin the Tale on the Rabbi and Vashti's Fortunetelling. This event would not have been possible without the generous help and support of the following...

\*Dorothy Cohen, our former Youth Committee Chair, whose knowledge and experience was invaluable.

\*Amanda Dillman, our USY Advisor, and all of the USYers who helped paint colorful signs and create and run additional games. It was wonderful and heartwarming to see the older kids helping the younger kids play the games and do the crafts.

\*Sarah Safeer, for coordinating the USYers.

\*The 8<sup>th</sup> grade Kadimaniks, for helping to run the games booths provided by the amusement company.

\*Mill Road Day Camp, for generously sponsoring the Shushan Café and for providing facepainting.

\*Arthur J. Napolitano, of Gloria Zastko Realtors, for helping to sponsor the prizes.

\*Alan Miller, for making all of the yummy knishes from scratch and buying all of the food.

\*Joe Grodman and his family, for running the Shushan Market Café and cooking all of the hot dogs.

\*Steve Juro and Kim Riemann, of the Youth Committee, for being so reliable and doing whatever needed to be done.

\*Lori, Sookerman, Sylvia Shore Katz, and Debbie Valan, for selling tickets and raffles.

\*Marina Lavender, for coordinating the additional parent volunteers.

\*All of the parent volunteers who helped sell raffle tickets, supervise the inflatable, and fill in wherever needed.

THANK YOU for helping to make the Carnival a success!!

Ruth Shindler  
Youth Committee Chair



PHOTO FROM MODEL SEDER

## Webmaster

### Is the subject line appropriate?

I was looking for an anonymous example for inspiration to write this month's webmaster's article. I couldn't find anything until I inadvertently messed one up myself. Having been very active on the "Usenet" back in the early 90's, it was a common mistake for someone to change the topic in a bulletin board without changing the subject line. As a result, it became difficult to find information on, let's say: "French cuisine" without having to wade through people's comments about parking facilities at well known restaurants and complaints about valet service.

Those were the pioneering days of the internet, where the only way to search for information was to subscribe to the appropriate Usenet group and search by "subject line".

This practice continues today in the form of "email lists". When the subject matter in the body of an email changes mid-stream into something else, it would be most helpful to those following the thread to have some clue, before opening the email, that the content has absolutely nothing to do anymore with the original posting.

Fortunately, our synagogue's email list (eGroup@bnaitikvah.org) is fairly clean in that regard. You can also search the body of the text for specific words or phrases. Any congregational member can sign-up to post and/or receive message from the group but, in order to search the archives (back to August 1999), you need access to the website at "groups.yahoo.com/messages/bnaitikvah"

Due to Yahoo's security policy, only fully registered members can access the archives. If you need help in obtaining a Yahoo-id and/or linking it to the eGroup, let me know and I'll be glad to help.

Gary Bergman, Webmaster@bnaitikvah.org

*Happy Emails to you, 'Til we read again*

## President

### Did you read past the headline?

The supermarket giftcard program is NOT being abolished. Gift card purchases are a major source of income to B'nai Tikvah and, because it is targeted towards things you need to buy anyway, there is no cost to you to participate.



The following changes take effect August 1st 2012:

Gift card purchases will no longer be required to supplement dues and, therefore, you will not be obligated to participate in this program. And because the program will be totally voluntary, there will no longer be any limits imposed on how much you can benefit from it.

The more giftcards you buy (for things you need to buy anyway), the more you can benefit as credit towards your dues. Should you decide to make a habit of buying ALL your groceries with gift cards, the discount on your dues can be quite significant. To look at it another way, if you convince a few friends and relatives, who are not B'nai Tikvah members, to purchase giftcards in your name, you theoretically can get a check at the end of the year instead of a bill for dues.

The statement in last month's article was editorialized and not based on fact with regard to any possible dues increase. No meetings or decisions (at the time of this writing) have been made by the budget committee regarding this matter.

We apologize for any confusion.

The current giftcard policy is posted on our website at [bnaitikvah.org/giftcardpolicy.html](http://bnaitikvah.org/giftcardpolicy.html)

As we approach the next fiscal year, this will be updated to reflect the new policy.

Gary Bergman, President

## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The May flowers are blooming and are a recent memory - thoughts of baseball, graduations and summer camp are looming. But the Religious School board cannot overlook this opportunity to express our appreciation for the support and generosity of our families who participated in our 2nd Annual Model Seder.

In addition to remembering the struggles of our ancestors in Egypt, the holiday is one of education, tradition and togetherness. Approximately 150 people joined our seder for a 'feel good' morning kvelling over our children presenting portions of the seder, our fabulous Jr. Congregation leader, Barry Sefeer leading the classes with assistance from the Cantor and of course refreshments!

This program took hours of planning, shopping and preparing. And of course, volunteers were an integral part of its success. We raised over \$1,000 and feel tremendous pride in what we've accomplished. We hope to continue this tradition and are always welcome to new ideas on how we can improve and build upon the program we've done the year before.

As we begin planning this spring for next year's calendar of events, we hope you'll consider taking an active role in your child's Religious School education and join a group of dedicated parents who continuously look for ways to enhance the experience not only for the students, but for the entire family with programs like the Passover Model Seder.

## ANGELS CONCERT

A standing room only crowd enjoyed a benefit concert for The South Brunswick Area Clergy Association on Sunday March 25 at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Kendall Park. The Sons of Tikvah Band with area clergy and their congregants played lively music celebrating "Neighbors Helping Neighbors"

The Next Musical Angels Concert will take place on **Tuesday June 12 at BT** to benefit The South Brunswick Food Pantry.



The Sons were joined by Reverend Osy Nuesch of Six Mile Run Reformed Church and renowned trombonist, Professor Conrad Herwig for a rousing version of "This Little Light of Mine".



Reverend Beth Scibienski & Peter Reimann of Community Presbyterian Church are accompanied by Jerry Silver on mandolin for "Calling All Angels".

## Jersey Tribe is Coming to CBT

On Friday, May 11th, the Jersey Tribe will be enjoying a Shabbat meal at Congregation B'nai Tikvah and joining us for Shabbat services.

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Jersey Tribe members have diverse Jewish backgrounds and are a mix of singles, couples, and marrieds.

Jersey Tribe typically offers two or three events per month and welcomes suggestions, help with activities, and nonprofit partners.

If you're tired of racing back to the train after Jewish events in the City or defending the Turnpike, and want to make new friends – then Jersey Tribe is for you!

If you are a 20- or 30-something member of B'nai Tikvah (or a member who knows a 20- or 30-something) who is interested in the Jersey Tribe and/or in attending one of its events, please see the website: [jerseytribe.org](http://jerseytribe.org) or contact them for additional information at: [thejerseytribe@gmail.com](mailto:thejerseytribe@gmail.com)

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# B'nai Tikvah Calendar Fundraiser

## September 2012 - August 2013

Online form: [bnaitikvah.org/calform.html](http://bnaitikvah.org/calform.html)

*The synagogue calendar includes Hebrew/English dates, holidays, school and other special events, meetings, candle-lighting times and the Membership Handbook.*

**Celebrate your birthdays, anniversaries, and family events!**  
**Advertise your business and support our congregation!**

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**Special Event (Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Sweet 16, Wedding etc.) name, event and date:**

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 Get ready for a cool evening of hanging out with friends, rocking out to music, playing board games and ping pong, watching movies, and enjoying delicious snacks (including breakfast in the morning!) We will be “rocking” for SA/TO, so each USYer will be required to raise a minimum of \$20.

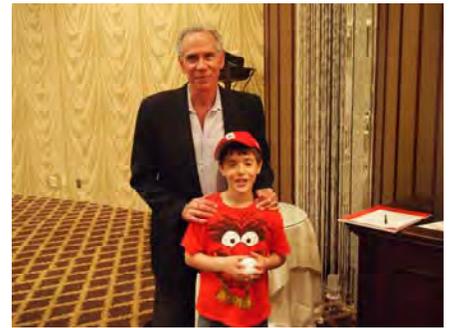
Monday, May 28th  
 Ice Cream Party, 7-8:30pm – more details to follow.

Please check your email each week for updates from nsbrunswickusy@gmail.com.

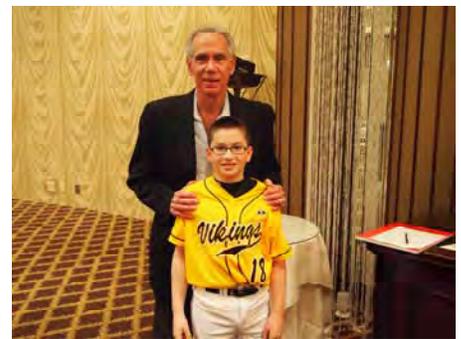
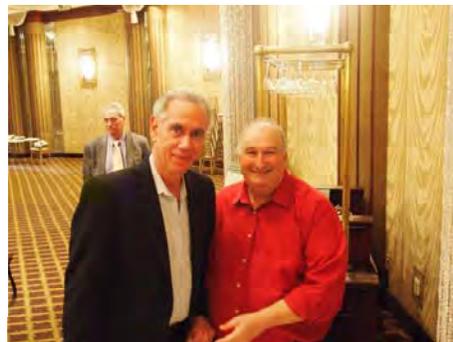
Scholarships are available to help with some of the costs of USY programs. Please contact Steve Juro at 732-960-1215. All conversations are strictly confidential.

Amanda Dillman  
 nsbrunswickusy@gmail.com  
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Israel Bond Breakfast, April 15 with Art Shamsky as the main speaker



# Men's Club/Israel Bonds Joint Program - Perfect together!

On Sunday April 15th, we were treated to a wonderful post-Pesach program that satiated the fan of Israel, the NY Mets and baseball...and we had some nice bagels. Nancy Asher-Shultz spoke warmly and passionately about her recent visit to Israel, as a Jewish Federation Tanzman Fellow. Nancy, nominated by B'nai Tikvah, for this program gets to hone her skills that can be leveraged to benefit our Jewish institutions and greater community. Please ask Nancy about her experiences, you will be energized by what she has to say.

For Mets and baseball fans, we were thrilled to hear from Art Shamsky, part of that glorious Miracle Mets Team of 1969.

He was engaging, funny, thoughtful and we didn't want to let him leave. He seems like a real mensch.

I hope you will consider a future program and support the Israel Bonds program, which, after 61 years, continues to be a wise and sound investment as well as a good way to support Israel. It's easy to purchase (starting at \$100), online or call the Bond Office.

Thank you to Richard Hirschorn, Adele Sasson, Gary Bergman, Steve Katz, Lynne Weiss-Marshall for putting this program together and making it a success. Thank you to Rabbi Wolkoff, for his word of Torah and Cantor Rockman for his beautiful singing as they added to this program.

B'shalom

# TRENTON THUNDER

## 5TH ANNUAL JEWISH HERITAGE NIGHT

**TUESDAY, JULY 31 @ 7:05 PM**

	<b>Trenton Thunder</b> AA Affiliate of the New York Yankees	
vs		
	<b>Altoona Curve</b> AA Affiliate of the Pittsburgh Pirates	



### Kosher Catering

The Thunder will host the 5th annual Jewish Heritage Night at Waterfront Park on July 31 as the Thunder play the Altoona Curve. The night's festivities include Jewish music and promotions, highlighted by a performance by the Tzofim Caravan before the game!

**TZOFIM Concert 6pm**

Tickets are at a special rate of \$8.00 per ticket  
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# Shavuot

*The time to commemorate the harvesting of the first fruits*

## *Sisterhood's 4th Annual Plant Sale*

*Decorate our B'nai Tikvah Bimah with an array of beautiful plants.*

*All proceeds will be donated to the Jewish National Fund.*

*Purchase a small plant @ \$18.00 each or a larger plant @ \$36.00*

*Plants will be adorning the Sanctuary during Memorial Day Weekend*

*Your plant will be identified with a "Name Tag"*

*All plants will remain on the Bima until Tuesday, May 29th*

*\*Following Shavuot, on Tuesday, May 29th, you may claim your plant and take it home!*

*Please call Andrea Katz @ 732-329-0687 with any questions.*

I would like to purchase:

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*(Following Shavuot, May 29th, you may claim your plant and take it home!)*

**All orders must be placed no later than MONDAY, MAY 21st. Orders can be left in the Sisterhood box in the CBT office or mailed to: Andrea Katz, 8 Anderson Way, Monmouth Junction, 08852**

## Hakol Donations

March 13, 2012 - April 12, 2012

### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Ilene Karp & Stephanie Margolies would like to thank Rabbi Wolkoff for helping to add to the dignity and grace of their mother's funeral Sherman Schwartz, in memory of his beloved brother, Marvin Joan Arbeiter and Danny Gerzog, in memory of Marvin Schwartz The Talmud, Lemelman & Shapiro families - to thank Rabbi Wolkoff for the care he showed while visiting their mother in the hospital when she was ill. They will always remember how her face lit up when she saw him, and they appreciated his much needed support before and during the funeral which he was able to make so personal for them. The Talmud Family would like to thank Rabbi Wolkoff for helping Mikayla with her D'var Torah and for helping her to formulate a strong connection between her Parsha and her outlook on life

### Cantor's Discretionary Fund

Barbara & Joe Plotnick, in memory of Lucille Sondike  
Ilene Karp & Stephanie Margolies would like to thank Cantor Rockman for helping to add to the dignity and grace of their mother's funeral  
Sherman Schwartz, in memory of his beloved brother, Marvin  
Barbara & Joe Plotnick, in memory of Jack & Rhoda Kraftchick  
The Blackin Family, in honor of Cantor Bruce Rockman  
The Talmud, Lemelman & Shapiro families - to thank Cantor Rockman for adding spirit and meaning to their mother's funeral  
The Talmud Family would like to thank Cantor Rockman for helping Mikayla prepare for her Bat Mitzvah. Even after 3 kids studying with him, they still find it hard to believe how he was able to make the lessons fun, although they are sure the candies helped a little!!!!

### Capital Improvement Fund

Marci & Marty Abschutz, in memory of June Asher

### General Donations

Janis & Barry Kipnis, in memory of Morris Kipnis  
Karen & Howard Zuckerman, in memory of June Asher  
J. & D. Blackin

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Renee, Steve, Noah, Benjy & Daniel Levin, in memory of Elsie Barron  
Sheila & Robert Hordon, in memory of Sidney Hordon  
Marci & Marty Abschutz, in memory of June Asher  
Helene & Gary Tinkel, in memory of Francis Olitzky  
Maxine & Mark Kasdin, in memory of Frances Olitzky  
Maxine & Mark Kasdin, in honor of Fern & Allan Katronetsky becoming grandparents  
Maxine & Mark Kasdin, in honor of David Juro's Bar Mitzvah  
Madeline Gaynor, in memory of her beloved parents, Ethel & Daniel Reich  
Helene & Gary Tinkel, in memory of Esther Spielberg  
Maxine & Mark Kasdin, in memory of Ruth Kasdin

### Arnie Miller Memorial Fund

Susan Miller, in memory of Lena Miller  
Elisa, Brian, Harrison, Shane & Derek Berness, in honor of David Juro's Bar Mitzvah  
Elisa, Brian, Harrison, Shane & Derek Berness, in honor of Fern & Allan Katronetsky's grandson

### L'Dor V'aDor

Althea Wurmbrand, to wish Larry Rudnick a speedy and complete recovery  
The Blackin Family, in memory of June Asher

### Religious School Education Fund

Ann & Gerry Nimberg & the Religious School Staff, in memory of Sue Becker

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Barbara Mailman, in memory of Samuel Mailman  
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Debra & Scott Rekant, in memory of Seymour Rekant  
Susan Rosenzweig, in memory of her beloved husband, Harry  
Susan Rosenzweig, in memory of her beloved father, Nathan Cohen  
The Blackin Family, in memory of Frances Gray  
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Sylvia & Erwin Lewis, in memory of Ida Leibowitz  
Ellie & Bill Greenberg, in memory of Esther Krause  
Blanche Fruhling, in memory of her beloved sister, Evelyn Tobias  
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Lev Kofman, in memory of Rebecca Kofman

### Youth Fund

Jeff, Karen, Courtney & Jared Cohen, in honor of David Juro's Bar Mitzvah

## Hakol Donations

March 13, 2012 - April 12, 2012

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Irit Harchol  
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### Library Fund

Sue Stein, in memory of Joseph Grosser

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Ellie & Bill Greenberg, in memory of Leah Greenberg  
The Blackin Family, in honor of Bobbi Binder's Birthday

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Helene & Gary Tinkel, to wish Eli Hanuka a speedy and complete recovery

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Nancy & Elliott Danto, in memory of Frances Olitzky

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Gale Dillman, in honor of her aliyot  
Susan Miller, in honor of the birth of Fern & Allan Katronetsky's grandson, Yochai Mendel Yares  
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Mae Rubinstein,  
Sandy Scharf,  
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6 14 Iyar 2nd Grade and Hei School orientation Yiddish Class	7 15 Iyar Kadima Program Board of Directors	8 16 Iyar Israel Stamp Club Book Club Men's Basketball	9 17 Iyar	10 18 Iyar Nursery School Lag B'Omer Picnic Torah Fund Program LAG BA'OMER USY Meeting	11 19 Iyar Nursery School Mother's Day Tea Birthday Shabbat	12 20 Iyar Junior Congregation for Grownups Dalet Jr. Congregation
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