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L'dor Vador #9

From Generation to Generation

Pharaoh's Daughter

Sunday

May 17, 2015

7:00 PM

Reserved Seating-\$25

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From the Desk of Cantor Bruce Rockman



Pharaoh's Daughter "A Beautiful Musical Journey"

The Claire and Irving Teicher
L'dor Vador Concert

**"A Source of Pride
and Enlightenment"**

May 17, 2015, at 7PM

This year, I'm scared that we will not attract a large audience for "*L'dor Vador*." As we approach the concert, I am usually nervous. Will the audience like the artist? Will the congregation respond to all of my not-so-subtle reminders to attend the concert? I sure hope so; I'm counting on you!

One of the challenges that we always face with the selection of our L'dor Vador artists is that our audience is unfamiliar with the performers and their music. This year, our ninth L'dor Vador, this is definitely true. Usually, our artists are traditional, presenting songs that are somewhat familiar, songs that you may have heard at B'nai Tikvah, either by our band or during services. The "Pharaoh's Daughter" concert will be different; it will be a beautiful musical journey.

I love the music of "Pharaoh's Daughter"; the group represents the conflicts of our modern Jewish experience. The musicianship is excellent, unique, and beautiful. Pharaoh's Daughter is an exceptional and special group of accomplished musicians.

The band's leader, Basya Schechter, was conflicted with her strictly Orthodox religious upbringing. Through her life's path, Basya has integrated the many textures of Jewish music from her religious roots and from her personal journey. She blends the traditional Jewish music of our youth, combined with the

stunning grace of the multi-cultural music traditions. Her sound has been cultivated by her Hasidic music background and a series of trips to the Middle East, Africa, Israel, Egypt, Central Africa, Turkey, Kurdistan, and Greece.

The name of the band is derived from Basya's name, the Ashkenazi pronunciation of Batya, meaning daughter of G-d. It is also the rabbinical name given to the Egyptian Pharaoh's daughter, who found the baby Moses in the Nile in the book of Exodus. The Yiddish version of this name is Bashe; I really like the name!

Many thanks to the Teicher and Roller families; together we conceived and have successfully created "*L'dor Vador, a Source of Pride and Enlightenment*." "*L'dor Vador, from Generation to Generation*" brings the intensity of awesome Jewish programs to our doorstep; we build pride, understanding, and unity in our

community.

Programs such as "*L'dor Vador*" are intended to help our community grow and for B'nai Tikvah to flourish. I pray that we all find a fulfilling Jewish experience in your synagogue. I hope that "*L'dor Vador*" inspires your love for your neighbor and reminds us to offer aid to those in need. "*L'dor Vador*" hopes to broaden our understanding of the American Jewish experience, while supporting our legacy in Israel. I want you to have an awesome time when you experience the music of "*L'dor Vador*." And I pray that you will be able to love God with joy, and with all of your might.

We greatly appreciate your support, so please order your tickets at www.bnaitikvah.org or contact me or our office staff. Our special "family 4-pack" for only \$36 is available by check in advance of the concert. I look forward to seeing you at the concert on May 17th at 7PM.

With Joy,
Cantor Bruce Rockman

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A Message From Rabbi Robert Wolkoff



We recently held our first “Israel 101: Beyond the Propaganda “ session. The topic was International Law and Israel’s Right to Exist. The talk was attended by 75 people, from near and far (if you call Philadelphia far).

Many people asked me to summarize an hour-and-a-half talk on one page, so here goes:

Anti-Israel pundits imagine that international law conforms to their desires. They don’t like, say, settlements; therefore, settlements are illegal. This is nonsense.

The creation of Israel is part of the same trend that created dozens of states in the 20th century, including all of the states in the Middle East (Iraq, Syria, etc.).

The basis of Israel’s legal right is the historical association of the people of Israel with the Land of Israel. This explains the desperate and absurd propaganda claim that there is no historic link between “Jews” and “Judea.” Also contrary to propaganda, Israel’s legal right to exist has nothing to do with the Holocaust.

The link of Jews with Israel was recognized in the Balfour Declaration (1917), which supported the Zionist movement’s desire to build a Jewish national home in Palestine. Contrary to propaganda, there was no doubt in anyone’s mind that “home” meant “country.”

The Balfour Declaration was only a promise from Great Britain to “World Jewry.” But it was incorporated, word for word, in the San Remo Treaty (1920), which was approved unanimously by the League of Nations and the U.S.—thus becoming international law.

The San Remo Treaty set up systems—“mandates”—through which various peoples formerly under the control of the Ottoman Empire could set up governments and declare independence. This led to the creation of Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, and (Trans)Jordan.

A similar mandate was set up for Palestine. Its fundamental purpose was to enable the creation of the Jewish national home. Unlike the future Arab countries, where the population was already in place, it was acknowledged that the Jewish population of the future Jewish state had to immigrate from the countries of the Diaspora. This was to be accomplished through intense immigration and settlement, facilitated by the mandatory power (Great Britain). Contrary to propaganda, the entirety of Palestine west of the Jordan River was to be used for this purpose. The civil rights of non-Jews were to be respected—but they were not granted any national rights whatsoever.

Contrary to propaganda, the mandatory system was not a vestige of colonialism. The opposite was true. It reflected the decision by the “Great Powers” *not* to colonize but, instead, to allow various peoples in the Middle East (and Europe) to exercise their right to self-determination. One of those “peoples” is the Jewish people. Contrary to propaganda, Israel is not, and indeed never was, anyone’s “colony.”

Everyone—Zionists, League of Nations delegates, Arab representatives—knew that this involved the immigration of millions of Jews and the establishment of a Jewish majority. Contrary to propaganda, there were no hidden deals or deceptions. Contrary to propaganda, this mass immigration was initially welcomed by Arab representatives.

Contrary to propaganda, there was no “Palestinian people” with a “right to self determination” when the Mandate was established. The Palestinian people came into existence many decades later. The national interests of the Arab inhabitants of Palestine were represented by the same forces that led to the creation of multiple Arab states, encompassing 99% of Middle East territory.

The Zionist movement very quickly established the civic institutions necessary for government. However, the British mandatory power failed in its responsibility to foster massive Jewish immigration. This allowed tensions to rise to the point of repeated riots and ultimately, war. Blocking immigration was disastrous for the Jewish people. Contrary to propaganda, Israel was not created because of the Holocaust. It was created *in spite of* the Holocaust.

Contrary to propaganda, UN Resolution 181 (the partition plan) did not create the state of Israel. Like all UN General Assembly resolutions, it was merely a suggestion without binding effect. In fact, Resolution 181 was a betrayal of Zionism, asking the Zionist movement to give up its right to lands it rightfully owned. Contrary to propaganda, once the Arab countries rejected it, the resolution was dead. It conferred no rights upon anyone, neither Jew nor Arab.

The Arab states have not been willing to cede land for the creation of a Palestinian Arab state. Israel *has* ceded land—Gaza—and has expressed a willingness to cede parts of Judea and Samaria as well. Contrary to propaganda, they are under no legal obligation to do so. It may be wise to do so, but that is a matter of politics, not a matter of law.

Contrary to propaganda, Israel is not “illegally occupying Palestinian territory.” Israel was declared a State when its military forces were in control of only a fraction of the territory to which the Jewish people have a legally recognized right. In 1967, the rest of the territory mandated to the Jewish people came under its control, although Israel has not yet declared sovereignty over most of it. Israel’s legal right to, say, Ramallah, is no different from Israel’s right to Tel Aviv.

Contrary to propaganda, UN Resolution 242 does not demand that Israel withdraw specifically from Judea and Samaria (the “West Bank”). And it most certainly does not demand that Israel withdraw from a single inch of territory without security guarantees and a recognized right to live in peace. In the absence of peace, Israel may legally stay there “till hell freezes over.”

So that’s session one. I look forward to seeing you (and the friends you bring) at session two:

Sunday, May 3 (brunch at 10, lecture at 10:30)

Topic: 1948: What Really Happened?

Shalom,
Rabbi Robert L. Wolkoff

A Message From Our Co-Presidents



As we write this, Allison is enjoying Passover in Israel, where a number of restaurants, hotels and even outdoor crepe makers kasher their cooking facilities; where almost the entire country observes the holiday; and where time is marked by Judaic ritual. This is the land of Naot footwear, Gottex swimsuits, and the elusive yad to add to Ruth Anne's collection. This is where the end of high school means the beginning of military service; where traffic all over the country stops in order to commemorate milestones in Jewish history; where El Al employees ask every single traveler a barrage of security questions; and where the Iron Dome literally makes the difference between life and death. This is our homeland. This is Israel.

It is one of the things I (Ruth Anne) think of every day because when Paul told my father, of blessed memory, that we wanted to be married more than 42 years ago, while he gave his blessing, the following day my father made two phone calls. The first call was to his sister, who had been a mother to him, helping him and his younger brothers survive the pogroms, WWI, starvation, and the Russian Revolution to get safely to this country. The other phone call was to the Israeli Embassy, where he asked if there ever was a need for me to leave the United States, would Israel still accept my children and me to become citizens and live there.

During the last year, our synagogue has shone a special light on the challenges facing the State of Israel and all of those who proudly demonstrate their love and support. Global anti-Semitism is at an all-time high. College students are regularly confronted by those who advocate Boycott, Divestment and Sanction. Discrimination against Jews by professors, student governments, and even administrations is open and notorious, reminiscent of the time when there were quotas for Jews in college admissions, and many neighborhoods and clubs were off limits to Jews. These are difficult times indeed.

We say this because we want to enlist your help in changing the course of human events. We are going to continue to bring world-class educational and cultural programs to B'nai Tikvah, and we will leave no stone unturned in the fight to promote and protect Israel. We invite you to take advantage of as many of these opportunities as possible and to help out whenever you can. Come to learn, and learn how to advocate. Bring your ideas, your enthusiasm, and your love of the Jewish State. We look forward to seeing you!

Warm regards,
Allison Nagelberg, Co-President
Ruth Anne Koenick, Co-President

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L'dor Vador, our musical event of the year, will feature "Pharaoh's Daughter." Blending a modern sensibility and a pan-Mediterranean sensuality, Basya Schechter leads her band, Pharaoh's Daughter, through swirling Hasidic chants, Mizrahi and Sephardi folk-rock, and spiritual stylings filtered through percussion, flute, strings, and electronica. Her sound has been cultivated by her Hasidic music background and a series of trips to the Middle East, Africa, Israel, Egypt, Central Africa, Turkey, Kurdistan, and Greece.

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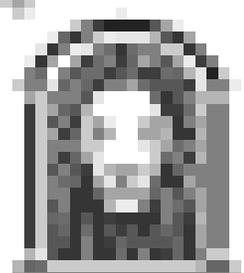

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Visit the B'nai Tikvah website to order your Mitzvah Baskets and Mazel tosses. Please have your forms in one month before your mitzvah.

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Camp runs from June 22 through August 14, for ages 2-6 years old.

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For information and to register, contact

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Another Viewpoint

The Dead Language



This is a "Can Do" story of a 23 year-old college student who suddenly came to realize that the world of Yiddish was going down the drain because Yiddish speakers were dying off and their children, who were not Yiddish speakers or readers, were dumping those books in the trash.

From his own limited exposure to Yiddish, he assumed that there must be a few thousand books still in existence in the United States and elsewhere, and started an amateur campaign to rescue some of the books. But there remained the problem of finding the books, cataloguing them, storing them, and - - finally making them available to anyone interested in reading or owning them.

His name is Aaron Lansky and he is the author of a book called "Outwitting History." His early adventures, thirty years ago, were a riotously funny and exciting story of finding solutions to problems on the fly. For instance, what would you do if you received a phone call in the middle of the night that someone was throwing a huge number of Yiddish books into a dumpster and they had to be rescued before the garbage trucks came in the morning?

Would you start calling everyone you know who has access to a truck and will lend it to you at no charge? Well that's what Aaron did. Oh, did I also mention that he dragged along some friends to help? Eventually, word spread and he was getting calls from around the country and the world. As the efforts expanded, he recruited gatherers (zamlers, they were called in Yiddish), who collected books from friends, family, and friends of friends. Mili and I signed up and became a collection center for Yiddish books.

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During those years, the 1980s and '90s we also collected English books to go to Israel for Kibbutz English libraries, to service expatriate Americans and English-speaking European volunteers. Sometimes, we would pull into our driveway and find boxes of books, in English and Yiddish, stacked in front of the garage. Sorting and packing the books became a huge job. Some people included old Hebrew prayer books with the Yiddish. These we set aside for proper burial, but the Yiddish books had to be sorted and packed carefully as they were, to put it kindly, in frail condition. The Yiddish books went to Amherst and the English ones went to Israel.

When Mili and I went to Amherst in the 1990s, to attend a weekend event at the National Yiddish Book Center, the Center was still only a theory, just an idea. The books were being stored and catalogued and sold (extra copies) in a rented warehouse, while classes, lectures, and meals were served at the Amherst University site. Since then, they have expanded into a very impressive and functional operation.

For a nominal charge, they can duplicate any book in their library. There is a huge visitor's center, art galleries, classrooms, and a museum with exhibits of Yiddish language and culture. The Book Center is also the source of language material for Yiddish courses now being offered at several colleges around the country.

Membership in the Center is just \$36.00 a year and includes a monthly magazine called Pakn Treger [as of 2010], which means pack carrier, and memorializes the itinerant booksellers of the shtetl days, who carried their stock on their backs as they walked from town to town. The magazine is a beautiful, high class production in English, with a bit of primary Yiddish included for those of us who want to keep up or learn a bit of

Yiddish vocabulary or grammar. Some issues carry Yiddish stories with English translations directly opposite to help the Yiddish reader who has lost his or her familiarity and would like to find the way back.

A lost language? Not by a long shot.

Aaron Rosloff

OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY-PROGRAM BY TD BANK

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Lynne WeissMarshall
Executive Director

Another Viewpoint

A Real Hero

In my kitchen cabinet, where I keep my collection of coffee mugs, there is one with the picture of Anne Frank. I got that mug for acting as a docent at the Anne Frank exhibit when it came to South Brunswick some years ago. Part of the exhibit consisted of an old-fashioned milk can - - the kind that dairy farmers fill with fresh milk for the dairy company trucks to collect for processing and distribution. That can was one of two found by Polish construction workers after World War II, when they were clearing away debris in the former Warsaw Ghetto.

Inside these milk cans were diaries and letters written by victims of the Nazi purge of the ghetto. The leader of this group was Emanuel Ringelblum. Ringelblum was a historian who gathered a group of (mostly) men to write down each and every occurrence that they would encounter every day. Good or bad, it was all part of the history of the ghetto. Everything was described in detail and collected as witness to the extermination of the Jewish population of Poland and went by the secret code name of Oneg Shabbat Archive.

Emanuel Ringelblum found these milk cans and stored all of the collected writings in these cans, and buried them in hopes that they would be found in the future, as indeed they were. Ringelblum and his wife and young son were smuggled out of

the ghetto and could have escaped, but chose to stay in the area to make certain this work was completed and his milk cans safely buried.

An organization known as the National Yiddish Book Center, in Amherst, Massachusetts, as part of its campus, built an area called the Writers Garden as a fund raiser. In which they honored a long list of Yiddish writers. I invited my brothers to join me in creating a plaque in memory of our parents and to honor one of the Yiddish writers. When I received a copy of the list of Yiddish writers, all of the better-known names, such as Shalom Aleichem, Shalom Asch, or Isaac B. Singer, were already taken. When I researched other names, the one that struck me was Emanuel Ringelblum. This man was a true hero in every sense. He could have made good his escape, but he stayed to make sure that we, you and I, would some day know the detailed truth of everything that occurred daily in that living hell, the Warsaw Ghetto. As a consequence, they were arrested and murdered.

Some of us have heroic pens. Ringelblum had a heroic heart. I believe that my parents would be pleased to know that their names are on the same plaque with Emanuel Ringelblum.

Aaron Rosloff

This story was suggested by my friend and editor Linda Kohn. For more information, see the Yiddish Book Center website:

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Congregation B’Nai Tikvah Sisterhood Shavuot Plant Sale

Commemorate the harvesting of the first fruits with the
Sisterhood’s Annual Plant Sale

Decorate our B’nai Tikvah Bimah with an array of beautiful plants!

Purchase a small plant @ \$15.00 each or a larger plant @ \$25.00.

Plants will be adorning the Sanctuary beginning May 22nd.

Your plant will be identified with a “Name Tag.”

All plants will remain on the Bimah until May 29th.

You can take your plant home on May 30th

Please place your order in the Sisterhood mailbox
in the synagogue by May 12th

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MEN'S CLUB

MEN'S CLUB NEWS

Compiled by Andrew Goldberger

Yom Hashoah Candles

You should have received a mailing from the Men's Club containing a Yom Hashoah candle, prayer, and envelope. We hope you were able to light the candle on the evening of April 15th in remembrance of our Brothers and Sisters who perished during the Holocaust. Please support this important program as proceeds go to sustain our Shoah program, maintain our Holocaust garden, educational lectures, and literature for our Religious School, invited guests and speakers, etc.

Thank you,
Steve Katz, President
CBT Men's Club

Men's Club Feature May Event: Krav Maga

Join the Men's Club on Sunday, May 17th, from 12:30-1:30, in the Gymnasium, for a special Krav Maga event. Master Brandon, of Brunswick Martial Arts and Fitness, will show you the art and technique of this form of martial arts used by the Israeli Army. This event is open to all in our community. (Note that children must be accompanied by a parent.) Look for more details online.

ABOUT: Brunswick Martial Arts and Fitness (located at 1600 Jersey Avenue, North Brunswick) teaches all ages in various martial arts including Tae Kwon Do, Brazilian Jiu Jitsu, Muay Thai, Krav Maga, Yoga, and Zumba. They are open 7 days a week and classes are designed so that people of all skill and fitness levels can feel comfortable learning and working out. Check out its website at: <http://brunswickmartialartsandfitness.com/>

Q&A with Master Brandon

By Marc Rosen

What is Krav Maga and why is it useful?

Krav Maga, loosely translated from Hebrew to English, means Combat Contact.

Krav Maga is used by the Israeli Defense Force (IDF) and it is learned as a street self-defense system around the world. Krav is a much more effective and realistic self-defense system than most martial arts. Think of the American Revolution. It was won because our side used guerrilla tactics vs. the marching British army. Krav relies more on those guerrilla-type tactics. Anybody can learn Krav Maga; it's a very simple and effective martial art.

What is your experience with martial arts?

I've been doing martial arts for 20 years. I have a third-degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do, I have a Blue Belt in Brazilian Jiu Jitsu and I probably hold the record for fastest submission in NJBJF history (19 seconds). I am also certified in Muay Thai.

What do you want us to know about Brunswick Martial Arts and Fitness?

I want it to be thought of more as a community center. I want my school to be the place where we teach Martial Arts in a stern but loving

way and a place where parents feel they can come to that supports their child's life. I want it to be a second home to people and place-where they bring friends and make new ones.

What are some of your most rewarding experiences?

My most rewarding experiences teaching Martial Arts have been the kids that have changed. I once taught a special needs kid who, when he first came to us, would literally be jumping off the walls. Eventually, he settled down. He still struggled but he was able to proficiently perform the first form. And I cry every time I think about tying his new belt around his waist. Another student was going for his Black Belt. He was so sloppy in class but when he needed to perform at his test it was amazing! I was proud of him and his mom told me that it was the first big achievement of his life.

Men's Club Softball: A Few Good Men Still Needed

The Men's Club softball team still needs a few more players. Not an all-star. Please note that the #1 goal for the softball team is to have fun and make friends. Contact Mark Kirsch at MarkKirsch@comcast.net if interested. Not interested in playing? Come root us on. See the Men's Club Calendar for upcoming games in May.

Men's Club Calendar:

MAY

May 3rd: Men's Club Softball (8:30 a.m.; Edison Municipal Complex)
May 10th: Men's Club Softball (8:30 a.m. Woodlot Park, South Brunswick)
May 17th: Men's Club Meeting and Lunch (12:00-12:30 pm; Gymnasium)

May 17th: **Krav Maga** (12:30-1:30 p.m.; Gymnasium): Get in shape with the form of self-defense developed by the Israeli army. Look for more details online.

JUNE:

June 7th: Duke Farms Interactive Eco-Tour (Hillsborough Township, NJ). Join our very own tour guide, Craig Cohen, as he takes you on an interactive guided walk at Duke Farms. Enjoyable activities for children, including geocaching.

Thursday Game in June: Join the Men's Club on a Thursday night in June (date to be announced closer to the date) to watch the NBA play-off finals.

UPCOMING Events:

July: FJMC Convention (July 8-12, Miami Beach, FL): Engage with Jewish men, women, and congregational leaders from around the globe in camaraderie, education, leadership development, and fun! Details at: <http://fjmc.org/content/convention-2015>

August: Baseball Game: Jewish Heritage Night at Trenton Thunder

September: Men's Club Open House/Membership Drive



FAMILY SHABBAT SH'BBQ (you know – BBQ food)
 May 15, 2015
 6pm multi-purpose room
 Services begin 7pm
 Special sponsorships available – see below

RSVP A MUST BY MAY 10, 2015

Bring a friend or two!!
Everyone is Welcome

Is your child or other family member celebrating a birthday or any other special occasion in the month of May or over the summer?

6pm in the **MULTI PURPOSE** room

Please let us know so that we can make this announcement. For \$18 you can SPONSOR the Kiddush in honor of that event or any other special occasion.

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**The Clubroom - The Clubhouse at Stonebridge at Greenbriar
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Four times per year, our volunteers will walk the one mile of Route One (southbound side only) between Thomas Avenue and Henderson Road, picking up and bagging the trash that has accumulated along the road.

We are planning our first foray in late April or early May; won't you consider volunteering?

Please note, we have to follow State guidelines, which means:

- No one under 17 may participate
- Long pants and sleeves are required
- You **MUST** watch the safety/training video (about 10 minutes long) before setting out
- No dangerous or heavy material should be touched.

Gloves, safety vests, signs and trashbags will all be provided.

Please join us in giving back to our community.

Interested? Please contact Jeff Cadoff at cadoffj@gmail.com or 732.407.7778



The Haircut

A young boy had just gotten his driving permit. He asked his father, who was a rabbi, if they could discuss the use of the car. His father took him to his study and said to him, "I'll make a deal with you. You bring your grades up, study the Torah more, get your hair cut, and we'll talk about it."

After about a month, the boy came back and again asked his father if they could discuss the use of the car. They again went to the father's study where his father said, "Son, I've been very proud of you.

You have brought your grades up, you've studied the Torah diligently, but you didn't get your hair cut!"

The young man waited a moment and replied, "You know, Dad, I've been thinking about that. You know, Samson had long hair, Abraham had long hair, Noah had long hair, and even Moses had long hair...." To which the Rabbi replied, "Yes, and they WALKED everywhere they went!"

HAKOL ONLINE

Want to catch up with Hakol? This and older issues of Hakol are available on our websites.

Take another look at our weekly email announcements, aka the CBTNewsletter. The upper right corner has a cover image of the latest issue. Click the image or title to download the pdf.

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B'nai Tikvah Calendar Fundraiser September 2015 - August 2016

Online form: 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!
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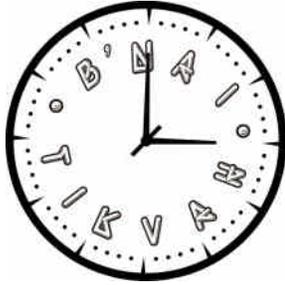
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A special thank you to Joyce Fishelberg, Bill Greenberg, Beverly Leipzig-Silien, Jeryl Roller, & Mae Rubinstein for making April birthday calls.

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A special thank you to Joyce Gerbman, who volunteered her time to help in the main office.

A special thanks to Bill & Eleanor Greenberg & their granddaughters, Maya & Morgan Zink, for helping in the main office with the mailing.

MARKETING COMMITTEE

The Marketing Committee is looking for some people who would like to get involved by writing, posting, designing materials for B'nai Tikvah.

We're looking for help with social media content, blogging, updating brochures, and promotional materials.

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