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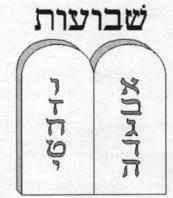
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SHAVUOT B'NAI TIKVAH

Tikkun Lel Shavuot June 5, 8 PM-Midnight

Shavuot Services Bikkurim: First Fruits Friday June 6, 9:30AM

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SHAVUOT GRADUATION SERVICES



FOR OUR
"CHAI" SCHOOL
AND
HEI (7TH Grade) STUDENTS
FRIDAY, JUNE 6 8:00 PM

Join us for a very special service and an "Oneg Chag" honoring the graduates!

Shabbat Dinner

June 27th, 2003
6:30 - 8:00 pm
Please join us in
honoring our outgoing
and incoming
Board members



RSVP by June 18. Information on Page 7

RABBI ELIGBERG LEADS

"If I Forget Thee Jerusalem . . ."

The Fast of the Seventeenth of Tamuz Thursday, July 17, 2003 Services at 7:00 AM and 7:30 PM

Tish'ah B'Av Wednesday, August 6, 7:30 PM Thursday, August 7, 7:00 AM and 7:30 PM

The following is excerpted from A Guide to Jewish Religious Practice by Rabbi Isaac Klein.

THE FAST OF THE SEVENTEENTH OF TAMMUZ

The seventeenth of Tamuz marks the beginning of the destruction of Jerusalem, for it is the day on which the Romans breached the walls encircling the city (M. Ta'anit 4:6). During the siege preceding the first destruction of Jerusalem, the wall was breached on the ninth of Tamuz, but both events are commemorated on the same date.

The rabbis mention a number of other calamities that were believed to have occurred on the seventeenth of Tamuz: the breaking of the Tablets by Moses; the cessation of the daily sacrifices during the Roman siege of Jerusalem; the burning of the Torah and the erection of an idol in the Temple by Apostomos during the period preceding the Maccabean revolt (M. Ta'anit 4:6).

The fast begins at sunrise and concludes at sunset of the same day. Fasting is the only restriction imposed; working and bathing as usual are permitted.

The seventeenth of Tamuz is marked in the liturgy by additions to the regular daily service as well as some special variations. After the Amidah, both at Shaharit and at Minhah, Avinu Malkenu is recited. The Torah is read at both Shaharit and Minhah. The reading, which is the same for both services, begins with Exodus 32:11. The reading continues with Exodus 34: 1< 10 and is followed by a Haftarah.

Certain verses (Exodus 32: 12, Exodus 34:6, and Exodus 34:9) are said aloud, first by the congregation, and then by the reader. These verses receive special attention because they are verses of comfort; their selection was prompted by the fact that they speak of God¹s mercy and readiness to forgive. They are chanted with the cantillation used on the High Holidays as a further reminder that the fast calls for repentance and good deeds.

THE THREE WEEKS

The days between the seventeenth of Tamuz and the ninth of Av are considered days of mourning, for they witnessed the collapse of besieged Jerusalem, beginning with the breaching of the walls on the seventeenth of Tamuz, and culminating with the burning of the Temple on the ninth of Av. Since exactly three weeks passed between these two events, the period is known as the "three weeks."

Weddings and other joyous celebrations should not take place during this period. A further element of mourning is added during the "nine days" between the first and ninth of Av. During this period the pious refrain from eating meat and drinking wine, except on the Sabbath or at a Se'udat Mitzvah, such as a Brit Milah or upon completing a treatise of the Talmud. In addition they do not have their hair cut.

The somber mood of the "three weeks" is accentuated by the special Haftarot chanted on Shabbat. The Sabbath preceding Tish'ah B'av is called Shabbat Hazon, from the first word of its Haftarah which is chanted almost entirely to the tune of Eicha. In some synagogues, during the "three weeks," it is customary to chant L'cha Dodee, with the exception of the last two verses, to the tune of Eli Tsiyon the hymn which concludes the night of Tish'ah B'av.

TISH'AH B'AV

The ninth of Av is the saddest day in the Jewish calendar. According to the Talmud, God marked the ninth of Av as a day of calamity because of an incident, recounted in Numbers chapters 13 and 14, which took place on that day during the period of the sojourn in the wilderness. The spies sent to Canaan brought back a discouraging report, and the people, displaying ingratitude and a complete lack of faith in God's promises to them, tearfully bemoaned their lot. As a result, God declared: "You wept without cause; I will therefore make this an eternal day of mourning for you." It was then decreed that on the ninth of Av the Temple would be destroyed and the children of Israel would go into exile (B. Ta'anit, 29a).

The destruction of Jerusalem and the loss of the Jewish state are not the only sad events that have occurred on the ninth of Av. The Mishnah enumerates the following: On the ninth of Av it was decreed against our ancestors that they should not enter the Land of Israel (Num. 14:29), the Temple was destroyed both the first and the second times, Bethar was captured, and Jerusalem was ploughed up (M. Ta'anit 4:6).

It is a tragic coincidence that since the time of the Mishnah, many other calamitous events in Jewish history have occurred on the ninth of Av. On Tish'ah B'av in 1290, King Edward I signed the edict compelling his Jewish subjects to leave in England. The expulsion from Spain occurred on the same day in 1492. Tish'ah B'av also marked the outbreak of World War I, beginning a long period of suffering for the Jewish people. Not only did

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this period witness the pogroms and massacres perpetrated against the Jews of Russia, Poland, and other countries of Eastern Europe, but it was also the prelude to World War II and the savage destruction of six million Jews.

Since the reestablishment of the Jewish state, it has been maintained in some quarters that Tish'ah B'av and the other fasts connected with the destruction Of Jerusalem have lost their meaning and should be discontinued. Some even claim that with the establishment of the Jewish state the prophecy of Zechariah has been realized, and therefore we should fulfill the second part of the prophecy, observing the fast days as festivals.

Opponents of this view insisted that the fasts must still be observed since the redemption of Israel was not yet complete, pointing out that both the city of Jerusalem and much of the ancient land of Israel still remained under enemy domination. Notwithstanding the changes in the political situation following the war of 1967, with Jerusalem now integrated into the State of Israel and the rest of the land under Israeli control, at least for the time being, there was and is no need for such apologetics. Though the fasts are a challenge, the events commemorated by Tish'ah B'av cannot be undone, and it is necessary to remember them, to establish continuity with our past, and to help us appreciate the blessings of the present.

Dr. Robert Gordis, in an extensive discussion of the question, concludes that Tish'ah B'av can perform these basic functions for Jews living in the middle of the twentieth century, with the state of Israel before them as a reality. It can keep Jews mindful of the tasks which lie ahead in the areas of Jewish religious rebirth and of ethical living, both in the state of Israel and throughout the world. It can focus attention upon the universal aspects of the Messianic hope, which have long been integral to Judaism. Finally, it can help to remind Jews of the long record of sacrifices and sufferings of past generations, and thus prevent the cultural degeneracy which would follow from the ignoring of the achievements of Galut or Diaspora (Gordis, Judaism for the Modern Age, page 210).

The fast of Tish'ah B'av begins the night before, similar to Yom Kippur, and therefore the last meal before the fast must be eaten before sunset. This meal, called the seudah mafseket, because it marks the boundary between The periods of eating and fasting, was characterized by certain mourning customs. As at the meal served to mourners after a funeral, it was customary to eat special foods that were signs of mourning, such as eggs and lentils. Some pious people went so far as to dip the bread in ashes and sit on the ground during the meal. While these expressions of mourning have fallen into desuetude, we retain the mood by keeping the meal modest and simple.

Before the Ma'ariv service, the Parokhet (curtain), is removed from the ark as a sign of mourning. As another sign of mourning, the congregants remove their shoes if

they are made of leather. Ma'ariv itself is recited in a subdued voice and a mournful tone.

Worshippers sit on the ground or on stools for the reading of the Book of Lamentations. It is chanted in a special plaintive cantillation. The last verse of the book is recited aloud by the congregation, and then repeated by the reader. The chanting of Eicha is followed by Qinnot, sorrowful hymns that emphasize the import of Tish¹ah B¹av and lament the tragic events associated with it.

In accordance with a tradition originating with Rabbi Meir of Rothenburg (ca. 1215-1293), the Talit and Tefilin are not worn at Shaharit as an additional sign of mourning. The Tefilin are termed, "P'air" or ornaments, and the Book of Lamentations says: "The Lord has cast down Tiferet Yisrael" which was interpreted as referring to the Tefilin (Munk, World of Prayer, 2:327).

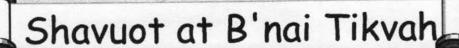
After the Shaharit Amidah the Torah is taken from the ark and Deuteronomy 4:25-40 is read. Three people are called up, with the last also reading the Haftarah, Jeremiah 8:13-9:23, which is chanted according to the tune of Eicha (Lamentations). After the Torah is returned to the ark, the worshippers sit on the ground or on low stools and recite Qinnot. At Minhah the Talit and Tefilin are put on, and the prayers that were omitted in the morning (such as the psalm for the day) are recited. After the Torah is taken out and three people are called, the third also reading the Haftarah. Both the Torah reading and the Haftarah are the same as on the other public fasts.

The Ma'ariv is the regular weekday service, and it marks the end of the fast. At the meal after the fast one should still abstain from meat and wine, since the burning of the Temple continued until the next day.

Tish'ah B'av is subject to the same limitations as Yom Kippur: abstention not only from food but also from bathing, anointing oneself, wearing leather shoes, and conjugal relations. In addition, because of the joy it affords, the Sages forbade all study of sacred literature, with the exception of books that fit the mood of the day, such as the Book of Job, the parts of the Talmud and Midrash that tell of the destruction of Jerusalem, and parts of the Book of Jeremiah.

Just as the weeks preceding Tish'ah B'av are marked by practices that accentuate the sorrowful mood of the period, so the weeks following are marked by some practices that encourage a mood of comfort and consolation. During the seven weeks following Tish'ah B'av we read Haftarot that comfort the children of Israel with the promise of the restoration of Zion. These are called . The first Shabbat after Tish'ah B'av is called Shabbat Nahamu (the Shabbat of Consolation) because the first of these seven Haftarot begins with "Be comforted, be comforted My people (Isaiah 40:1)."

With blessings, Rabbi David M. Eligberg



Tikkun Lel Shavuot

Thursday, June 5, 8:00 PM - Midnight
In excitment & anticipation of receiving the Torah our ancestors stayed up late into the night. A midrash teaches that at midnight the Israelites were given a glimpse into the realm of the Holy
One!

With all that is taking place in Israel, I felt it most appropriate that we reflect on the centrality and importance of the land of Israel in Jewish thought and literature.

Bikkurim: First Fruits

Friday, June 6, 9:30 AM

During the period of the Temple, our ancestors would bring the first of their ripening crops as a gift to the Sanctuary. For them, it was an expression of appreciation for God's blessing. We can emulate our Israelite ancestors by recognizing our bounty through sharing with those in need.

Bikkurim: First Fruits II

Friday, June 6, 9:30 AM

Another expression of our Bikkurim involves the children born in our congregation since last Shavuot. Parents are invited to bring their newborn to the steps of the bima for a special blessing.

Saturday Study Session

Saturday, June 7, 6:00 - 9:00 PM

For centuries Jews have engaged in the study of rabbinic texts.

As we end Shavuot we join together to hear the words of Sinai echoing across the generations and resonating in the words of our sages of blessed memory. We will focus on the Mishna, a

To insure that we prepare enough food please contact the synagogue office (297-0696) by June 1.

OUR HAZZAN'S VOICE

The Contest

The Cantors Convention

Upon my return from the annual Cantors Assembly convention in Los Angeles, the question congregants most frequently ask me has been "Did you learn a lot?," or "What did you learn?" Each time I am asked this, I respond carefully and thoughtfully. The answer always is, "Yes, sure I did." The major reason for me to attend these sessions is to learn from other cantors and rabbis, to compare our common experiences, and to search for solutions to compelling issues that we deal with as Jewish leaders of our congregations and communities.

Of course, with all of the magnificent voices of the Cantors Assembly present, the music was incredible. Thankfully, much of the music that was performed was either recorded or the music itself was available. This is just one of the benefits of the attending the Cantor's Convention that I look forward to sharing with you during the future programs of our musical groups and during our services.

Adon Olam

As you know, there is a lot of time to think while traveling, especially on a cross-country plane ride. Remarkably, one of item that I had reflected on was raised during one of the concerts. "Adon Olam" (Sim Shalom, page 514), the hymn that we sing to conclude Shabbat and Festival services. Sung with many melodies, it is a declaration of our faith in "The Lord eternal". Having just spent hours in song and meditation, this hymn neatly wraps up all of our prayers. Consider its final two verses,

"I place my spirit in His care, when I wake and when I sleep. God is with me, I shall not fear, body and spirit in His keep."

Can you think of a more powerful statement to make? Yet, at the end of our service and at most synagogues, people are not thinking about any of the words of "Adon Olom." I know the service is long and it is difficult to concentrate after hours spent seated with our close friends and families. Still, without the declaration of "Adon Olam," our prayers are not complete. It's like reading a good book with the last page missing. What happened? No closure. We wrap up our service by affirming that God is with us and because of that we don't fear the consequences of life, God will take care of us!

THE CONTEST
(Or "Adon Olam Idol")

So what am I thinking? To help us better focus on "Adon Olam" I propose a contest. As stated earlier, there are many different melodies and ways to present this hymn. To begin with, congregants can lead "Adon Olam" each week; I think this will be helpful. Next, get a group of about four friends (post B'nai Mitzvah) and contact me for an audition. Then I will set a date for your group to lead the congregation. Obviously, I am not looking for silly versions or parodies and I will help you select an appropriate familiar or new melody. This should be both fun and enriching.

The winner, to be determined by a committee, (it's a synagogue, everything is done by a committee!) will then sing with The Sons of Tikvah Band at our annual sing-a long, celebrating Shabbat Shirah.

Thoughts and Prayers For Us

Rabbi Brad Artson, one of the speakers at the convention, made these statements for us to reflect upon, "Judaism doesn't owe you anything, you owe Judaism everything... The Torah doesn't owe you anything, you owe the Torah everything"... "Your success as a leader of your synagogue is determined by the success of your congregation".

I am thankful to God, my family, Stacey in particular, and to B'nai Tikvah for everything. I ask God to make my work, for B'nai Tikvah, the Jewish people and for all mankind, to be uplifting, meaningful and joyous. I ask God for the blessing of strength, to help lead our congregation intelligently and successfully. I pray that I will be able to be of assistance to my friends at B'nai Tikvah and help them find answers to difficult questions, so that they can fulfill their prayers and aspirations, and so that we can all grow and live together in a peaceful world. Have a wonderful summer!

Worship the Lord in gladness; come before God with joyous song.

> B'simcha, with joy, Cantor Bruce Rockman

WANTED

CARPENTERS, HANDYMEN, AND OTHER PERSONS OF REPUTED ABILITY, FOR

DECK RAISING

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THE PARSONAGE

(A.K.A THE RABBI'S HOUSE)

We are looking to draw upon the talents of our members to build a deck at "The Parsonage" this summer. If you can donate your skills, or the materials, please contact the Synagogue Office.

REMINDER: SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP IS OPEN ALL SUMMER!

Although Gift Shop activity slows down during the late spring and summer, Sisterhood's Gift Shop is still active. Laurie Waltzer and Deborah Spigner are available most Sunday mornings for you to come in and shop—just call. We will take special orders for Bar and Bat Mitzvah kippot, tallit, tallis bags, tefillin, and help with any other special occasion or ritual shopping you'd like to do over the summer months.

Remember to think of us right before the holidays for special pricing and new selections of shofarot, apple & honey sets, and more...

Laurie Waltzer

Deborah Spigner

B'NAI TIKVAH ADULT

Summer Speak

While you're travelling this ץְיִצְּ Ka-yeets (Summer) why not throw a few Hebrew words into your travel bags and take them along on שְׁבֶּח Hofesh (Vacation).

Hop in the אַכּוֹנִי M'ho-neat (Car) for a drive to the אַכּוֹנִי Hof (Shore). Take a Rakevet (Train) to spend time with family. Catch a אַבְּבֶּה Ma-tos (Airplane) heading for someplace exciting. Travel time can be an opportunity for the אַנְיִבְּהָ Mishpa-ha (Family) to learn some Hebrew words and phrases. Have a בּיִבְּהַ אַר עוֹבָה N'see-ah Tovah (Good Trip).

Upon arriving at your destination you can check in to your אָלָיְ Ma-Ion (Hotel).

Hopefully your אָרָיָם Heder (Room) will have a nice view. Check the אָרִים Mee-tah (Bed) for firmness. A few good bounces should do it. Call down to housekeeping and get an extra אָרִייִּם Smee-hah (Blanket) and an extra אָרִים Kareem (Pillows).

At this point cries of "אֲנִי רֶעֵב" "Ah-nee rah-ev!" ("I'm hungry!") will probably be heard. It's time to find a אַרְעָבְי Mees-ah-dah (Restaurant).

The אָרִי בְּעַב Mel-tsar (Waiter) or אַרְצִּרְיִת Mel-tsa-reet (Waitress) will bring you each a מֵלְצָרִי Taf-reet (Menu). Your אַרְבּרוֹת Ah-roo-hat Eh-rev (Dinner) tonight comes with אַרְנוֹת רָאשׁוֹנוֹת רָאשׁוֹנוֹת (Ah-roo-hat Eh-rev (Dinner) tonight comes with אַרְנוֹת רָאשׁוֹנוֹת רָאשׁוֹנוֹת (Salad).

Then you have a choice of either אַרְיָם Mah-rak (Soup) or מִלְטָּ Sah-lat (Salad).

For your entree, you may choose from אַרְבּרוֹת Bah-sar (Meat), אַרְיֹם Ohf (Chicken), or בּיִל Dah-geem (Fish). אַרְיִרְאָרַי Y'ra-kot (Vegetables) come with each. There is a wonderful array of אַרְנִיתְּרָא kee-new-ach (Dessert).

"!בְּתִיאָבוֹן" "B'tay-ah-von!" ("Enjoy your meal!")

Be sure to take plenty of צִילוּמִים Tsee-loo-meem (Photographs) and have a אַיִץ נְעִים! kah-yeets nah-eem! (Wonderful summer!)

Rabbi David, Jodi, Sarah & Yonatan Eligberg

B'NAI MITZVAH



Rachel Gurney
June 14, 2003
Daughter of
Darryl and Susan Gurney



Caitlin Katz June 21, 2003 Daughter of Ronnie Katz



Daniel Cohen June 28, 2003 Son of Brad and Penny Cohen

Congregation
B'nai Tikvah
invites all congregants
and their families for

Shabbat Dinner

June 27th, 2003 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Please join us in honoring our outgoing and incoming Board members

Adults \$18/person Children under 3 yrs. \$13/child.

RSVP by June 18th to Roz Fishman 732-297-0696



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mitch Frumkin, President

As I finish out my three-year term as President of Congregation B'nai Tikvah, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support and encouragement during this time.

During the past few years I have had the opportunity to meet many people actively involved in our Synagogue and have enjoyed working with every one of you. I can still remember my first introduction to the workings of a Synagogue when I first was asked to serve on the Board six years ago after my daughter's Bat Mitzvah. It has been a very rewarding time for me personally as I have learned to appreciate more than ever what it means to live a Jewish life by watching the dedication of all of our members who share the common values and beliefs which have been passed from generation to generation. I have learned from the examples set by all of our Congregants who, in some cases, would argue strongly for their point of view, knowing that no matter what side of the argument anyone was on, their desire was only to make B'nai Tikvah a better place for all of us. I have made friendships which will last well past my term as President and look forward to continuing as an active member of our congregational family for many years to come.

Thank you again for allowing me the honor to serve as President of our Synagogue.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

JUNE 16 7:30 PM

Be sure to attend.

EXPANSION UPDATE

Mitch Frumkin

Well, after a long wait, it looks like we may be finally starting construction within the next month or so. After much back and forth with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, as of the writing of this article we have a verbal approval to proceed. In addition, we have been informed by the



Township that the building permits are approved and waiting to be issued. Over the past few weeks the Expansion Committee has been busy

obtaining final construction bids as well as financing proposals with final decisions being made in the next week or so. Then the easy part, CONSTRUCTION!!

We are planning a groundbreaking for late June with construction starting immediately after. Completion is anticipated by the end of 2003. In one respect, the delays have helped us, as we have been receiving very favorable financing proposals. In addition, the construction costs have stayed within budget at approximately \$1,500,000.

The new wing will be approximately 14,000 square feet and will include 7 new classrooms, a multi purpose room/gym with a stage and kitchen, and a new Sisterhood gift shop. It will allow us to not only be Congregation B'nai Tikvah, but also increase our role as the Jewish Community Center of North and South Brunswick.

Safety is a prime concern during construction. It is anticipated that the majority of the exterior shell construction will take place while our schools are not in session, with the interior finish work extending into the fall.

We will keep the Congregation up to date on all aspects of the project as it progresses. Thank you for everyone's continuing contributions, both monetarily as well as your time and effort, to see that this becomes a reality!

EDITORIAL

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IT'S ALL ABOUT MEMBERSHIP

A couple of weeks ago I was invited, along with the other CBT Board nominees, to attend a CBT Board budget meeting. I came away from the meeting not only with a grasp of the financial issues the Congregation is facing, but with a clear message: It's all about membership. This issue is so important, it justifies our first HaKol editorial.

It's all about membership, in several contexts. Financially, it is critical that we increase membership in our congregation. Our budget structure is full of fixed costs, and our variable costs related to additional members are so low that, say, a 10% to 20% increase in membership would solve a lot of the financial challenges we are facing. We need to increase both new membership and our retention of existing members.

It's all about membership, and we've taken an important step forward by reorganizing responsibilities and creating a dedicated VP of Membership position. We all need to personally support Cindy Gittleman's efforts. Each one of us must be aware of the membership process, so that we can increase membership in B'nai Tikvah. One way to help is by inviting a non-member Jewish friend or relative to join you for an activity at B'nai Tikvah, and follow up by encouraging them to attend a new member "open-house," or other membership recruitment activity. Because member retention is also critical, existing members must speak up and let the Membership Committee know what is important to your continued membership.

It's all about membership, especially now that our building expansion is finally becoming a reality. We now have new opportunities to add programs that are valuable to existing and potential members. This is a very exciting time for our Congregation. Each of us should make it a point to let those in charge of programming and membership know what programs would increase your participation and membership in the CBT community.

It's all about membership, in that it is easy to become involved in our congregation and really feel you are a member of the B'nai Tikvah community. Not only does our congregation have much more to offer than High Holidays seats and Hebrew School, but B'nai Tikvah is not controlled by a closed group. Members who demonstrate interest and competence are welcomed into the group that "gets things done" and are quickly assigned responsibility. These expanding personal connections are how we will further build the Jewish community in our area.

Thank you. Have a great summer.

Paul Zankel hakol@bnaitikvah.org

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The next September/High Holidays HAKOL

will be published in late-August

ALL SUBMISSIONS FOR THE NEXT HAKOL MUST **BE IN BY AUGUST 1**

SUBMISSIONS: Submissions about Congregation events, issues, group activities, and other material relevant to the local Jewish community are welcomed.

Starting with the next issue, there is a change to submission format reauirements:

TEXT: We suggest that editorial submissions be submitted in plain text format, with no formatting, tabs, columns or fonts. Just type an e-mail, OR attach a file in one of the following formats: MSWord, Wordperfect, or MSPublisher, attached to an email. Graphics should be submitted separately. Do not submit graphics inside other files or documents.

No order forms, please. Contact the editors for info on distributing order forms with the HaKol mailing.

IMAGES & GRAPHICS: Digital images: Send high resolution (300 dpi) jpeg, bmp, or tiff files. Scannable Images: For good results, submit 300dpi (minimum) black and white graphics printed on glossy paper in hi-res or photo mode. For bad results: Print ink jet regular mode on copy paper.

SEND YOUR SUBMISSIONS TO: Hakol@bnaitikvah.org, or put them in the HaKol mailbox in the synagogue office. All submissions are subject to available space and editorial constraints. Please call Paul or Nancy Zankel at 732-254-6465 if you have any questions.

ADVERTISING INFO: See the information in this issue. **Contact Tammy Zimmerman** 732-398-1420

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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REPORTS

Ann Kanarek, Director

THANK YOU TO OUR CHAI SCHOOL TEENS

The Toranim (our High School aides) have been excellent role models for our younger children. You can find them around on a Sunday morning or midweek afternoons either in the school Office or in a classroom. They have been a wonderful asset to our staff, helping in every capacity. I am really proud of the high level of commitment demonstrated by these fine young people. Despite the complexities of their busy schedules, its wonderful to see how seriously our Toranim take their roles in our school. Our Toranim provide our Congregation with a genuine source of pride and joy. This year's Toranim are:

Caren Abshutz
Joshua Baer
Leah Behar
Maya Behar
Matthew Biderman
Brian Binder
Jesse Cohen
Gabriel Eisner
Mara Gittleman
Lewis Goldsmith
Daniel Goldstein
Sara Goldstein
Jessica Halpern
Sara Goldstein

Gabriel Harkov Molly Herman Brian Hirsch Nicole Hirsh Ilana Katronetsky Matthew Katz Genna Leebaw Noah Levin Audrey Levine Allison Nudelman Daniel Rekant Allison Shultz Rebecca Spigner Shane Spigner

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2003 CALENDAR

School will begin on Sunday, September 7th for Grades K,3,4,5,6 and 7. For grades 1 and 2 school will begin during the week of September 8th.

CHAI School will begin on Sunday, September 14.

Parents are invited to a parent reception and orientation Sept. 7th. Details will be forthcoming in the parent packet which will be mailed in August.

SHAVUOT GRADUATION SERVICES FOR CHAI SCHOOL AND HEI CLASS FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 8:00 PM



"CHAI" GRADUATION

This year, on Shavuot, Friday, June 6th our eleventh graders will stand together before the Congregation to affirm their commitment to the study, observance, and practice of our tradition. Since Jewish education is based on Torah, it is fitting that this year's CHAI School graduation will take place on Shavuot. The students will affirm Torah and make it their personal possession all the days of their lives. Our graduates will lead a creative service that they have prepared. This promises to be a very special service and memorable experience. We hope that many of you will join us as we congratulate this year's graduating class. A special Oneg Chag in honor of our students will follow in the Social Hall.

We offer Mazel Tov to this year's "CHAI" School graduates:

Hannah Ehrlich Lewis Goldsmith Sara Goldstein Brian Hirsh Sari Kaufman Allison Nudelman

We look forward to seeing them continue their activ-

Temple life.

HEI CLASS SIYUM 7th Grade Class Commencement Service

On Friday, June 6th at 8:00 PM, we will have an opportunity to celebrate with our Hei class at their siyum service. This special service marks the completion of one segment of our students' Jewish education here at B'NAI TIKVAH, and the beginning of an-

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

(continued)

THANKS FOR A WONDERFUL YEAR

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As the school year comes to a close, it is gratifying to look back at all that our students have learned and accomplished. It is thanks to our devoted group of teachers that all of our students have had such a successful year.

Teaching is crucial to the Jewish future and without our teachers Judaism would quickly evaporate. As we mark the end of the school year I would like to acknowledge the hard work and efforts of our staff. Many thanks to our esteemed faculty:

Jessica Azad	Michelle Gross
Ariel Bashi	Marlo Hirshon
Sara Chvala	Loren Hurwitz
Joel Cohen	Joshua Jacobs
Melissa Director	Jenny Kagan
Phyllis Edley	Rebecca Leven-
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Rabbi David M. Eligberg Sara Nazar Michael Friedman Cantor Bruce D. Rock-

Gina Giuffre Joshua Seigle
Sarah Goldberg Kfir Weinraub
Philip Gordon Carol Winter
Lisa Greenwald Miriam Ziegler

On behalf of the faculty and school, I would like to thank the parents for all your support and help

NURSERY SCHOOL CALENDAR

June	
Fri., 6/6	Shavuot - School Closed
Mon., 6/9	Parent Advisory Committee Brunch
Mon., 6/16	Furry Animal Pet Show &
Tues., 6/17	Last Day of School 4:30PM - Nursery School Graduation
September	
Wed., 9/3	Parent Orientation Night - 6:00PM

First day of School

Mon., 9/8

NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

Fran Pearlson, Director

Spring is a time for growth when we wait for our seeds to sprout. That's exactly what has happened to our 2003 nursery school graduates. They have "sprouted" into full bloom. It isn't just their knowing their ABC's or 123's or knowledge of shapes and colors. It's their joy in learning about Shabbat, the Jewish holidays and learning to say simple prayers in Hebrew. It's experiencing Jewish culture and the beginning of forming a Jewish identity.

We hope that as your children graduate from our JCC program that you as parents continue to find ways to enrich them Jewishly, that they continue to find pleasure in Jewish celebrations with family and friends, and that they never stop learning about their Jewish heritage.

Thirty-one children are graduating on June 17th and going on to the next step of their educational journey. We have been honored to share these pre-school years with your precious children.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2003 NURSERY SCHOOL GRADUATES!

Patrick Landrieu
Wendy Liu
David Maurer
Melissa Maurer
Jessica Mihalczo
Samantha Peters
Madeline Reichbart
Jessica Resnick
Morgan Resnick
Brianna Rubino
Mason Satnick
Samuel Schwartz
Ajay Shankaran
Devin Tanner
Ashreeta Yalamanchi

On behalf of the JCC nursery school staff we would like to thank our parents for supporting our many school activities and functions, for your generous donations and contributions, and most of all your smiles and supportive attitudes. We could not have had such a successful school year without your support.

We wish all our nursery school families a safe, relaxing, and wonderful summer.

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Steve Springer, Advisor 732-407-0834 USY@bnaitikvah.org

Allison Gordon, Co-President 732-821-4650 Sweets3319@aol.com

Erin Marx, Co-President 732-297-2055 Dogzonwheelz@yahoo.com



We started the year with one intention - to bring this chapter to new heights and receive the region's Most Improved Chapter award. Not only did we achieve this goal, but we also surpassed it in many ways, by rebuilding this chapter despite past obstacles. Four years ago N/S Brunswick was named International Chapter of the Year, and as presidents this year we began to get our chapter back on that track. We were able to recruit twenty ACTIVE members, about half our total membership, to attend Spring Convention, of which half of those in attendance from our chapter were either freshman or first-timers at a convention. What a great way to close the year! Although paper membership remained consistent to last year's, our active membership practically doubled, and board members were NOT the only ones in attendance at chapter events. By gaining more active members, our programs were now bigger and better - we went to NY for a Broadway show, conducted a mall scavenger hunt with another chapter, collected and made various donation items such as canned goods and tye-dyed shirts, volunteered at an exhibit at the house of a past congregant, and even held our own services, almost monthly. Lastly, we hosted an amazing closing dance, which could not have been done without our chair Sam Rudin! The last time this chapter hosted a regional event was four years ago, the same year they received regional recognition.

To current, prospective, and future USYers: you

are part of an amazing tradition that began over fifty years ago. Not only are you involved in this incredible experience, but you are the foundation of the Conservative Movement for the next several generations. At one point during your years as a USYer (which many people refer to as "those high school years", but to us they are and will always be our "USY years"), a spark will ignite within you, triggering your Jewish identity and enhancing your drive to become a more active Jew. Follow and let that spark direct you - become more active, whether at the chapter or regional levels, and let this spark help guide you and your Jewish identity through the rest of your life. That spark enabled us, as Co-Presidents, to take this chapter to new horizons - we were inspired by that USY atmosphere, regionally, which further provided us with the drive to re-establish a strong N/S Brunswick Chapter. We became candles in the night, ready to share our flames with the next lonesome Jewish teenager searching for a place and identity. To next year's board continue to strive for that internal spark, uniting the chapter as a whole, yet allowing each member to grow individually. Let that spark take you to new and unknown places, constantly moving forward to bigger and better aspirations.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the surrounding Jewish community and the temple for their increased support this year. Lox Boxes and High Holiday food drives will remain traditions in the years to come, so be prepared. To the board members - we overcame a lot this year, yet still remained successful with all our endeavors. Each of you contributed to your own position in ways that allowed our board and chapter to establish new ideas, and progress actively throughout the year. Board meetings will never be the same. To my Co-President, Allison – we shared more than a position this year, further developing our friendship, and I wouldn't have traded it for anything. Good luck next year, and I will miss you. Steve without your guidance, warm-heartedness, and love for USY, our goal would have never been attainable. You enabled us to make our dreams a reality, through your constant reassurance and unending support. You know you'll miss us next year. And finally, to the chapter - it took us until the end of the year but we finally came up with an acronym; next year you better have shirts for NSBUSY - Never Stop Being USY!!!

It has been a pleasure serving as your 2002-2003 N/S Brunswick Chapter Co-President.

B'shalom, Erin Marx

USY JUNE CALENDAR

June 8 Great Adventure Day

June 17 Closing Meeting; Pool Party at the Willows

BANA LIKAAH AOULH

There are so many words that could use to describe how I feel about our chapter, but the one that stands out in my mind is triumphant. We set a goal, worked towards it, and reached it. People say to set your goals high, and we did, at winning Hagalil region's award for Chapter Most Improved.

Though we have not numerically increased the membership of our chapter, we have still improved membership. Instead of collecting "paper members", we now have a strong collation of active members who participate on the chapter, regional, and international levels. A very large percentage of our chapter attended Spring Convention this year, which can only be compared to the year that our chapter won Chapter of the Year, over four years ago.

Our programming has been spectacular, ranging from rock climbing, to a mall scavenger hunt, to the perennial favorite Tu-Bi Shmuz, to Israeli Trivia Night, to a trip to see Soul Farm, to a trip to New York. We established our own basketball team, which competed in the USY league. Though our record was not fantastic, we look great in our uniforms, and we boast the only co-ed team in the league! North/South Brunswick USY also hosted this year's Closing Dance, which was our first regional event since LTI in 1998. Our Chairperson Samantha Rudin did an amazing job organizing the event.

We have had several Social Action programs this year, including tye-dying and donating t-shirts, making blankets for the Linus Project, collecting food during the High Holidays, and donating the toys collected at our Channukah Olympics. The money collected from the Annual USY/Kadima Purim Carnival, chaired by Gary Marx, was donated to Tikun Olam. We are also co-hosted the Holocaust play *The Last Bridge*, as an educational service for the community. We sold Lox Boxes on Mothers' Day, as we did last year, and gave the money to charity.

Our Synagogue hosted teens from Ramlah again this year, and the committee that planned to event was compromised of several USYers, their parents, and our chapter advisor. The committee met all USY standards, allowing USYers to participate in programs with these Israelis, and allowing us to learn from them, and to teach them about our own American Judaic culture. Since the students visited America during Hagalil's Spring Convention, they attend the event. It provided a wonderful Israeli experience for the USY community and was the highlight of many of the students' trips. There are few other ways to demonstrate and educate about Israeli Awareness than to have an amazing hands-on experience such as this exchange program.

Our religious programs included Pizza in the Hut for Sukkot, Channukah Olympics for Channukah,

and Tu-Bi Shmuz for Tu-Bishvat. We have also had monthly "Teen Services", which are Saturday morning Services where USYers know they will have someone to sit with at Synagogue; sometimes the Teen Service was separate from the main congregation and led completely by USYers. This allows new members to feel comfortable with USY-style services and to help chapter members fulfill the requirement for attending conventions.

North/South Brunswick has been extremely successful in creating a chapter that embraces all branches of USY: interesting programming, Social Action, Tikun Olam, Religious Education, and Israeli Awareness. We have exciting and educational programs, blended with SA/TO projects and religious awareness, which makes us open to new members, yet still fresh for old ones. We know that we there is no better advisor, no harder-working board, no more dedicated members than in North/South Brunswick USY.

As an out-going president, I would like to thank Rafi, Rachel, Hannah, Sari, Elyse, Gary, Noah, and, most importantly, my co-president Erin for an amazing year. I also cannot leave out Steve, our advisor, and the Youth Commission, without whom we would have lacked drive, persistence, advice, and encouragement.

From here, there is no where to go but up; we have worked so hard this year, and I implore you all to continue on the path on which we have set out. And I challenge next year's board to set a high goal, because, as we have proved this year, it can be accomplished.

Sincerely, Allison Gordon

Join us in congratulating next year's USY Board:

Co-Presidents
Hannah Ehrlich & Rafi Glazer
Israel VP
Noah Levin
Rel/Ed VP
Elyse Ross
SA/TO VP
Samantha Rudin
Membership/Programming VP
Sari Kaufman
Communications VP

Ilana Katronetsky Secretary Gary Marx

B'NAI TIKVAH BOWLED 'EM OVER

We ended another extraordinary season with 14 teams in a very non-competitive race to see who could beat the league's leaders. We were able once again to maintain the spelling of the word "trophies" with the letters "ph," although prizes were given for our member's other accomplishments at the annual awards dinner in Highland Park.

While we have our handful of "regulars," each season brings a fresh group of couples looking for something different and exciting to do once a month on a Saturday night.

We look forward to seeing more new faces in the coming season. Our handicap league is designed to give even those who have never bowled before, a fighting chance to beat the best of us. Who knows, someday we might actually have to provide trophies to the winning team.

So, if you're still wondering what that 2nd sentence is about, just call and we'll explain what couldn't be printed.

> Gary Bergman, 732-246-7285 Bowling@Bnaitikvah.org

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MAKELAH

The Makelah under the direction of Marty Angstreich will be rehearsing for the High Holy Day services every other Tuesday from June through September at the synagogue at 8:00 PM.

The Makelah is looking for additional voices to enhance our Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur renditions. Have you enjoyed listening to Avinu Malkenu? Why not become a part of the chorus? If you love to sing, please take the challenge and join us!

Marty has invited all sopranos, altos, tenors and basses to join the B'nai Tikvah Makelah. If you are not sure what part you sing, Marty will be delighted to help you find out. Please call Marty Angstreich at 732-422-8781, Cantor Rockman at 732-297-0696, Cheryl Asnis at 732-297-5379, or Gina Gerstein at 732-329-1198 for further information.

TOT SHABBAT



3-5 Year Olds: June 14 5 -7 Year Olds: June 28

10 am-11 am Babysitting 11 am-12 pm Tot Shabbat

SUMMER SHABBAT AFTERNOONS WITH THE ELIGBERGS

Like last year, Jodi, Sarah, Yonatan, and I are again looking forward to sharing Shabbat afternoons with you at our house this summer. Some Shabbatot have been specifically targeted toward certain populations, however, anyone is welcome to join us on any Shabbat. We hope that you will be able to join us from 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM on one of the following dates:

June 14, June 21, June 28 August 2, August 9, August 16, August 23, August 30

NEW FEDERAL LAW AFFECTS HOSPITAL REPORTING OF RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION

From the Rabbi: There is a new federal law, HIPPA (Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act), that will affect anyone who is admitted to a hospital. This law requires that hospitals ask patients about religious affiliation and whether or not they want their names listed for potential visits from the clergy. This list of names will be made available to the clergy only. I would urge you to opt on to the clergy list so that I can visit you in the hospital, should the need arrive.

FIFTY PLUS GROUP

The Fifty Plus group will meet on Tuesday, June 24 at 12:30 P.M. in the Social Hall of the Synagogue. We will enjoy a delicious luncheon prepared by our own Classical Caterers. Installation of our new officers will follow. Congratulations to our new officers headed by Doris Sandrowitz, President. Reservations are a must before June 16 to Annette at 732-297-3562 or Madeline at 732-297-4240. Cost for paid-up members is \$7.00 and for guests \$10,00. There is still room on the bus for our trip to the Historic House and Gardens in Morristown on June 19. Call the same phone numbers before June 16. We will be meeting through the summer with meetings scheduled for July 22 and August 26 at 1 p.m. All prospective members and guests are welcome.

SHABBAT SERVICE ON CD

Free custom cd's of our Shabbat services are available for learning puposes. Please contact Cantor Rockman to place your order. Donations to cover cost accepted.

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JUNIOR CONGREGATION FAMILY SERVICES

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Mazel Tov to the following children who had excellent attendance at Junior Congregation Family Services this past school year. Each child attended services at least 23 times and received a special personalized book at a short ceremony during services on May 17th.

Ben Applebaum	Samantha Kopelo
Amy Binder	Benjy Levin
Rebecca Binder	Daniel Levin
Keren Brown	Rebecca Safeer
Elliot Cohen	Sarah Safeer
Margot Cohen	Will Samtur
Ben Ehrlich	Melissa Sheps
Dan Garten	Sarah Sheps
Evan Jacobs	Michael Zadjura
Jonathan Jacobs	Michael Zankel

I'd like to thank all of those parents who provided their support in the following ways: by sponsoring a JCFS kiddush, sponsorship of pizza for the Pizza Party, helping to chaperone any of of our 3 incentive parties, and/or helped during our Saturday morning services. All of your help and support makes my facilitation of the JCFS program easier and helps to underwrite the program as well.

Marc Katronetsky

A special thank you to my Toranim: Hannah Ehrlich, Noah Levin, and Brian Binder.

Barry Safeer

MOVIE TICKET SCRIP **NOW AVAILABLE**



Regal Cinema and United Artist gift certificates are now available for sale. \$10 denominations can be purchased and used toward admission to the theater (as close as Route 1 in North Brunswick) and at the concession. The certificate expires one year from date of sale. Contact Bobbi Binder at bjbinder@aol.com.

BECOME ONE OF THE FEW, THE PROUD, THE SCRIP COMMITTEE!



YOU!

Been thinking about how to join a group or committee within the synagogue? Why not join the Supermarket Scrip Committee?

Last year alone the committee raised approximately \$5000 for Congregation B'nai Tikvah's treasury. As a member of this elite group of fundraisers, you will experience the word mitzvah first hand. You will enjoy flexible hours, minimal meetings, making new friends, meeting other congregants, and providing a valuable service.

Contact committee chair Rachel Shaneson at 732-329-2189 or email Scrip@bnaitikvah.org or any committee member to learn how to join this elite force.

SUSE ROSENSTOCK FLOWER FUND Sisterhood has established the Suse Rosenstock Flower Fund to ensure that there will always be flowers on the bima of our synagogue during the High Holidays. To help fund this endeavor, Sisterhood is now selling "Flowers Cards." Each card costs \$4, a pack of 5 for \$18. The inside of each card is blank.

B'NAI TIKVAH COMMUNITY

SOCIAL ACTION ... SOCIAL ACTION ... SOCIAL ACTION

YEAR IN REVIEW

What has Social Action accomplished this year?

- Collected and distributed over 200 coats to an inner city elementary school
- Provided support to 5 families in the North and South Brunswick communities who were burned out of their homes. This included sponsoring a one week stay at the Red Roof Inn, partial deposit for a new apartment, collection of new and used towels, sheets, blankets, gift card to Wal Mart, and American Express gift checks.
- · Sponsored 12 Needy families during the holiday season
- Sponsored a February food drive in order to replenish local food banks following the holidays
- · Sponsored Passover food drive
- Sponsored 2 birthday parties for the Happy Birthday Foundation (they provide parties to children in homeless shelters
- Donated funds, clothing, dishes, pots and pans to Amandla Crossing, a transitional housing program for single-parent families on public assistance. Funds given to purchase diapers for the children living there.
- Collected funds for Israel
- · Donated funds for Donna Glazer's liver transplant
- Sold Mazon Hanukkah cards designed by the Rabbiproceeds to Mazon
- Collected and distributed school supplies and back packs to an inner city school
- Initiated cell phone program-ongoing- all used cell phones, batteries and their chargers are donated to Women Aware, shelter for battered women.
- With the help of the Jewish Social Service Committee, we paid a utility bill for a local Jewish family.
- · Donated a used microwave to a needy family

As our committee and its activities have become known, we have begun receiving calls and e-mails from congregants wanting to donate specific items but not knowing where to go. We have been able on several occasions to find "homes" for these items. If you have household items that are in **good** condition, think of contacting Social Action and we may be able help you find a new home for your possessions.

I want to thank the members of the Social Action Committee for all the work they have done over the past year. I also want to thank the religious school community for developing and distributing our fliers for all the drives and for stressing Tzedakah to our students. Their involvement has been key in the success of our drives.

Lastly, I want to thank the nursery school community and all our congregants who helped us achieve our goals. As you can see, the funds donated to Social Action are used for good causes. Thanks so much for your help and participation in these causes and I look forward to everyones continued involvement.

I wish everyone a happy, healthy, relaxing, and safe summer.

Janice Baer Social Action Chair

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO ASSEMBLE AFGHANS FOR THE HOMELESS

and others in our community who are in need.

WHEN:

Thurs., June 26, 7:30 P.M.

Wed., July 23, 7:30 P.M. Wed., August 20, 7:30 P.M.

WHERE:

B'nai Tikvah Library

WHO: Anyone interested in schmoozing, sewing, crocheting,, or giving advice is welcome.

WE NEED EVERYONE: Those with no experience: to match already made squares, iron (not a lot) and design/assemble the afghans. Those with experience will: connect squares using crochet, whip stitch, wings and prayers, etc.

YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE AN EXPERT CROCHETER (or expert anything) TO PARTICIPATE

Please RSVP to
Deborah Spigner or Arlene Shulman through the
Synagogue Office (732-297-0696)
if you are interested or just be there!

B'NAI TIKVAH COMMUNITY

Summer 2003

SUPERMARKET SCRIP SUMMER SCHEDULE

Attention all shoppers! Just because the religious school is dismissed for the summer, that does not mean you are dismissed from purchasing your supermarket scrip. (A little Jewish guilt goes a long way, hopefully.) In fact, once school is over, your presence is still expected each Sunday morning from 9 A.M. to 11 A.M. Two scrip committee representatives will be in the synagogue eager to continue serving you and your food shopping needs. So, before your next trip to A&P, Acme, Pathmark, Shop Rite, Stop 'n Shop and/or Wild Oats, buy supermarket scrip. Congregation B'nai Tikvah earns 5% of all sales. You have to eat so why not support your synagogue at the same time? Purchasing scrip is so easy; in addition to buying the scrip on Sunday mornings you may purchase scrip by calling the synagogue office during office hours OR "visiting" the website at www.bnaitikvah.org OR contacting one of the scrip committee members (list follows). Although the preferred scrip method of payment is by check or cash (5% reimbursement to us), credit cards are acceptable (3% reimbursement).

MINI RIDDLE: what continues to evolve, gets better when it does, but continues to have the same, high quality? Just watch for the September article for the answer.

Monmouth Junction, Princeton, Kingston, Trenton	
Rachel Shaneson (chairperson)	732-329-2189
Linda Feinstein	732-329-3185
Bette Koffler	732-329-6518
Brunswick Acres	
Joyce Fishelberg	732-297-6290
Cranbury, Monroe, Plainsboro, the Windsors	
Sylvia & Erwin Lewis	609-409-0299
Franklin Park, Somerset, Belle Mead, Kendall Park, & Rocky Hill	
Phyllis Rosen	732-297-5555
North/East/New Brunswick, and Milltown	
Joyce Gerbman	732-937-5114
Ann & Sam Rosenzweig	732-249-9141
Dayton	
Rachel Shaneson	732-329-2189
Sylvia Katz	732-329-6862

SISTERHOOD

SISTERHOOD INSTALLATION

Fri., June 13, 8:00 pm Sisterhood Installation will take place at Friday Night services. Hope to see everyone there.

MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT

If you missed the tournament last year, you are going to have another next chance next fall. Keep your eyes open in the next HAKOL for information on our Second Annual Mah Jongg Tournament. Fun, prizes and congeniality!!

Going to the cleaners? Gallery Cleaners (in Hempstead Plaza, 2015 Rt. 27) donates 10% of total receipts presented to them by Sisterhood. Send your receipts to Shelly Talmud, 5 Patriot Court, East Brunswick 08816.

Torah Fund Cards can be sent for any occasion. Only \$3.50. Call Sandra at 732-940-8744.

Planning a Simcha? Let the B'nai Mitzvah computer program help you keep everything organized. This easy to use program works! Visit or call the Gift Shop co-chairs.

HIGH HOLIDAY NEW YEAR'S CARDS

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Sisterhood is now taking orders for your 5763 (2003) New Year's cards. With a large selection, including several new cards, featuring a variety of Judaic themes, colors, styles and messages, you are sure to find the card just right for you (preview a selection of cards at www.bnaitikvah.org). The selec-

lutely beautiful. All orders receive a 25% discount. Orders that are placed before July 31st will be able to have the return address imprinted

tion of cards this year is abso-

on the envelope FREE of charge. Rosh Hashanah begins Friday evening September 26th, so don' t wait and don' t miss out. September will be here before you know it.

Please contact Joyce Gerbman at

CONTRIBUTIONS TO B'NAI TIKVAH FUNDS

March 16, 2003—April 15, 2003

Yartzeit:

Susan and Harry Rosenzweig, in memory of Nathan Cohen Lester and Edith Seidenstein, in memory of Evelyn Tobias Marvin A. Schwartz, in memory of his beloved wife, Roslyn Schwartz

Joseph and Ethel Rimmer, in memory of Avraham Yohel Ellie and Bill Greenberg, in memory of Esther Krause Jeanne Zankel, in memory of her mother,

Fannie Schumer Ratet

Joyce and Joel Gerbman, in memory of Rae Gerbman Sheila and Robert Hordon, in memory of Sidney Hordon Sharon and Irwin Kalet, in memory of Lillian Kalet Bev and Wade Lebowitz, in memory of Abraham Kaner Meyer Barrack, in memory of Anna Barrack Loren and Jeffrey Asch, in memory of Louis Asch Carole and Howard Kalish, in memory of Nathan Cohen Sheila and Robert Hordon, in memory of Betty Hordon Randi and Michael Koss, in memory of Daniel Koss Clara Lazar, in memory of Frida Wittner Elaine and Leonard Buechler, in memory of Marsha Abrams Elaine and Leonard Buechler, in memory of Minna Buechler Nancy Danto, in memory of Nathan Cohen Phyllis Alroy, in memory of Harvey Delson Arlene and Leonard Maltz, in memory of Sam David Greenberg

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March 16, 2003—April 15, 2003

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:

Mili and Aaron Rosloff, thanking Rabbi Eligberg for his help during their 60th anniversary celebration LouAnne and John Wolf, in memory of Joyce Sachar Michaels Andrea and Steven Katz, in memory of Martin Sklar Berenice J. Sklar, in memory of Martin Eugene Sklar

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Cantor's Discretionary Fund:

Sylvia and Erwin Lewis, in honor of the 60th wedding anniversary of Mili and Aaron Rosloff Susan and Kevin Krane, in honor of Cantor Bruce Rockman officiating at the Bris of Shea Nathan Krane Mili and Aaron Rosloff, thanking Cantor Rockman for his help during their 60th anniversary celebration

Expansion Fund:

The Fifty Plus Group, in honor of Martha and Herman Rotter's presentation on Yom Ha'Shoah Nancy and Paul Zankel in memory of Ruth Kasdin

General Fund:

Diane Kowaleski, Pat Sirianni, Jerry Wong, Bill White, Dick Mongaliri and Vera Johnson, in memory of Ruth Kasdin Pearl and Irving Schechter, in memory of Ruth Kasdin Gary Shaw, in memory of Ruth Kasdin Nila and David Mason, in memory of Ruth Kasdin Carolyn McCallum, in honor of the 60th wedding anniversary of Mili and Aaron Rosloff Debra Zappi, in memory of Ruth Kasdin Mr. and Mrs. Donald Childers, in memory of Ruth Kasdin

Makhela Fund:

Arie and Amy Behar, in honor of the 60th wedding anniversary of Mili and Aaron Rosloff Ilene and Allen Karp, in memory of Ruth Kasdin Ellie and Bill Greenberg, in honor of the 60th wedding anniversary of Mili and Aaron Rosloff Mili and Aaron Rosloff, thanking the Makhela for their help during their 60th anniversary celebration Blanche Fruhling, in memory of Evelyn Tobias Mili and Aaron Rosloff, in memory of Ruth Kasdin

Passport to Israel Fund:

Terry Katz and Sylvia Shore-Katz, in memory of Adele Mogul Shore and Morton C. Shore

Prayer Book Fund:

Maxine and Irwin Nudelman, in memory of Helen August Mae Rubinstein, Joan Efron and Narie Breetveld, in honor of the 60th wedding anniversary of Mili and Aaron Rosloff

Prayer Book Fund (continued):

Joyce and Jerald Fishelberg, in honor of the 60th wedding anniversary of Mili and Aaron Rosloff Marian and Bernard Diamond, in honor of Mitch Frumkin's years of service as the President of CBT Michele and Irwin Millinger, in honor of the 60th wedding anniversary of Mili and Aaron Rosloff

Social Action Fund:

Nancy and Paul Zankel in memory of Sidney Frank Fried Janice and Arthur Baer, in memory of Samuel Greenfield Janice and Arthur Baer, in honor of the 60th wedding anniversary of Mili and Aaron Rosloff

Suse Rosenstock Memorial Fund:

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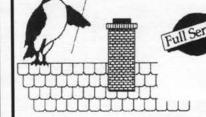
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