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# HAKOL

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**Getting ready for "Raise Our Voices For Israel":** B'nai Tikvah's Sons of Tikvah Band and Makehla have been practicing hard. Hosted by B'nai Tikvah for the first time, the event raises funds to benefit victims of terror in Israel .

**Film Screening:  
Trembling  
Before G-d  
February 9th**

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**B'nai Tikvah Hosts  
3rd Annual  
Raise Our Voices  
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**B'nai Tikvah  
Celebrates  
25 Years  
Saturday,  
March 12th**

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## OUR HAZZAN'S VOICE

Cantor Bruce Rockman

*Strengthen the hands of those who defend  
our Holy Land.*

*Our Father in Heaven, deliver them and  
crown their efforts with triumph.*

*Bless the land with peace, and its inhabi-  
tants with lasting joy. Amen*

*"A prayer for the state of Israel"*

As we are always hopeful for peace in Israel, lately there is a renewed sense of optimism that this can become a reality. Travel to Israel has once again become more accessible. Security in the Holy Land is among our highest priorities and our support makes a difference.

*Raise Our Voices for Israel*, the concert that will be presented on Saturday night February 19<sup>th</sup> may be the most important event that has ever taken place at our synagogue. You have filled our sanctuary before, especially during the High Holy Days, but this night will be different. Our congregation will be joined by area synagogues to celebrate and raise our conscientiousness, as well as raise funds for Israel. It will be an evening to express our love and re-affirm our support for our Jewish spiritual homeland. This annual event has been previously hosted by Temple Emanu-El in Edison and Neve Shalom in Metuchen. Filled to their capacity, with standing-room-only crowds, thousands of dollars have been raised to aid the security for our brothers and sisters in the Land of Israel.

B'nai Tikvah will celebrate our twenty-fifth anniversary about one month after the *Raise Our Voices for Israel* concert. Our annual dinner dance will surely be a joyous event celebrating our history and our record of accomplishment. What greater achievement can we attain as we grow, than becoming true leaders of our local Jewish Community? As the hosts of this year's event we are asked to step-up and distinguish our selves. You know what?...I'm sure we will. This is a very generous congregation and therefore I'm confident that we will meet or exceed our financial goals. I'm certain that, led by Cindy Gittleman and her committee, we will be gracious and successful hosts. We will make a fine impression.

My real concern is: will we become leaders after this event, or will we become complacent and self-satisfied? I'm hopeful that an event like this will be a catalyst for growth. That growth could be becoming an active volunteer or increasing your commitment to Jewish observance. Very few individuals can honestly say they have reached their spiritual purpose or feel that they are completely successful in reaching their personal aspirations. Personally, I challenge myself daily to improve, and I feel that I frequently fall short in my effort.

One thing I can assure you of is, that if you attend *Raise Our Voices for Israel* this year at B'nai Tikvah, you will have a wonderful experience and you will enjoy the music, which will celebrate 350 years of the Jewish community in America. Most of all, I'm hopeful that you will be inspired to strengthen your love and commitment to Israel and your Jewish community.

Besides our own *Sons of Tikvah Band* and *The Makehla*, we will be entertained by four cantors, five choirs, two singing rabbis and other talented singing groups and soloists. We promise a great night, equal parts entertainment and inspiration.

*Please, raise your voice for Israel, be heard!*

*Worship Adonai in Gladness...with joyous song!*

*Cantor Bruce Rockman*



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*The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual*

# **RAISE OUR VOICES FOR ISRAEL**

## **FEBRUARY 19, 2005**

*"350 Years of the Jewish People in America"  
an evening of Jewish music and inspiration  
at*

### **Congregation B'nai Tikvah**

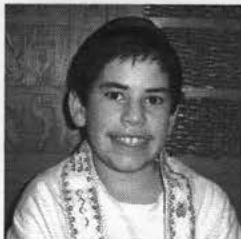
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## **FEBRUARY B'NAI MITZVAH**



**Adam Brooks**  
Feb. 5

Joseph & Michele  
Brooks



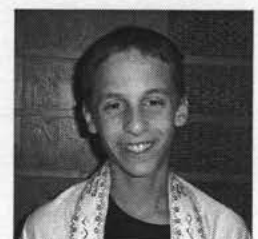
**Julie Rekant**  
Feb. 12

Scott & Debra  
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**Rebecca Safer**  
Feb. 19

Barry & Phyllis  
Safer

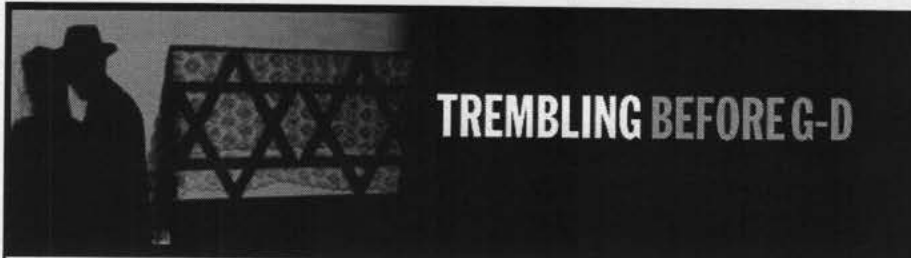


**Ithan Sokol**  
Feb. 26

Barry & Lisa Sokol



## ADULT EDUCATION



Film Screening:

# "Trembling Before G-d"

## Wednesday Evening February 9

<http://www.tremblingbeforeg-d.com/about/index.html>

Please join us in the Kiddush Room  
Begins immediately following Minyan at 7:30pm

Trembling Before G-d is an unprecedented feature documentary that shatters assumptions about faith, sexuality, and religious fundamentalism. Vividly shot with a courageous few over five years in Brooklyn, Jerusalem, Los Angeles, London, Miami, and San Francisco, Trembling Before G-d is an international project with global implications that strikes at the meaning of religious identity and tradition in a modern world.

We've invited some members of JQYouth (based in New York) to address your questions and provide additional insight.



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Beginning Wednesday, February 23rd

# HAKOL

The Newsletter of  
**Congregation B'nai Tikvah**  
JCC of North & South Brunswick  
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Published monthly, except for July and August. Submissions are welcomed about Congregation events, group activities, and other material relevant to the local Jewish community.

**All Submissions for the  
March HAKOL  
must be in by February 15**

We recommend sending submissions  
and correspondence via e-mail to:  
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All e-mail submissions are acknowledged via e-mail. You may also put submissions 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.

### SUBMISSION FORMATS:

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Arie Behar



19,430 feet is the height of Mt. Kilimanjaro. I know because I counted every step to the summit last month, when I traveled to Tanzania with my daughter Maya. At that height, the air is thin but the view is magnificent. I came to realize that we are guests of G-d's creation, and as such are obligated to make sure that we behave as we would if we were guests in someone's house. Our temporary stay on this planet should not be its destruction.

The hike up Mt Kilimanjaro takes 5 or 6 days. On the second day of our climb, we discovered that a couple hiking alongside of us were Israelis. Jacque and Danielle immigrated to Israel from France 20 years ago. Although they did not come from observant families, they had become shomer shabbas in Israel. They decided to travel alone up the mountain, and take one of the lesser-traveled routes, because they were concerned about observing their Jewishness in public. To keep kosher they ate vegetarian food only, and Jacque covered himself with a tallit and prayed Shacharit every morning.

On Friday night we joined them for Kaballat Shabbat. They had brought a bottle of wine from Israel, and although there was

a fire-restriction on the mountain, they lit shabbas candles and said motzi. I can't begin to tell you how much this Kaballat Shabbat, along a remote trail halfway up Mt Kilimanjaro, meant to me and Maya. There we were, in our hiking clothes, singing the familiar songs. Only there and then did I understand that the reason the Jews have survived for so long is that we've maintained our traditions in all kinds of circumstances. We've persevered and made it happen despite the difficulties in doing so.

Jacque and Danielle would never think of omitting Kaballat Shabbat from their lives, this was a given no matter where they were in the world. For me, it was a revelation, the realization that Judaism is a daily commitment that sometimes takes work. It needs to be practiced all the times, and not just on special occasions. No matter where we are, we should remind ourselves that we are Jews.

The next morning Jacque prayed the entire shabbas service, including reading the week's parsha to us. Although I go to shabbas services every week, I was still surprised that Jacque had made the effort to observe Shabbat. For me it is a weekly ritual of community, to see shabbas observed in such a remote location gave me a different perspective. At the end of shabbas, we were their guests for havdallah as well. Jacque and Danielle had refrained from carrying anything up the mountain on Shabbas and had not taken any photos, although the view was incredible. They climbed the mountain and observed Shabbat on their own terms, and we were privileged to share it with them.

It was a shabbas I will never forget. No matter where I am in the world, once a week I will stop and think about who I am, as a Jew and a guest on this earth.

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## Always Wanted to Learn to Read Hebrew?

**Just do it.**

**Six consecutive Thursday evenings.  
Classes begin on February 3rd.**

Register by calling the synagogue office  
or contact [Larry.Cohen@BnaiTikvah.org](mailto:Larry.Cohen@BnaiTikvah.org)

## SCHEDULE OF DAILY SERVICES

Sunday	9:00 AM Shahareet	7:30 PM	Mincha/Maariv
Monday		7:30 PM	Mincha/Maariv
Tuesday		7:30 PM	Mincha/Maariv
Wednesday		7:30 PM	Mincha/Maariv
Thursday	7:00 AM Shahareet	7:30 PM	Mincha/Maariv
Friday		8:00 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat
Saturday	9:30 AM Shabbat	*:**PM*	Mincha/Maariv

\*As appropriate for the time of year

Babysitting available Shabbat morning 10:00—12:00\*\*



## BOARD AND VP REPORTS

### From January, 2005 Board Meeting

#### VP Activities

##### Gary Bergman

**Website/Communications:** There now over 330 recipients of our weekly CBTnewsletter. However, there are still many congregants who have not registered their home email addresses with the synagogue office. New order forms have been added to the website for the Raise Our Voices for Israel Concert and our Tree of Life.

**Adult Education:** We had a fabulous turnout for Dr. Hilary Vernon's presentation on Genetics, which focused on genetic disorders prevalent in people of Ashkenazi Jewish ancestry.

Our next guest speaker, Dr. Jeff Shandler, is a scholar of modern Jewish culture and will speak about Jews in America's Public Sphere and responses to Anti-Semitism.

In February, we will be presenting the film "Trembling Before G-d" which deals with gays in the orthodox community. We will have a few guests, who were portrayed in the film, from JQYouth to address our questions and provide some insights.

Larry Cohen is offering a six session weekly course on "Reading Hebrew". As of this writing there are at least seven adult students enrolled, including yours truly.

**Social Action:** In last month's reports I mentioned that there was a poor response to the Help a Needy Family Program but, we were still able to help twelve families. What I failed to emphasize was that the program was an ultimate success because the few congregants who did help, helped very generously. We thank you.

#### VP Membership

##### Cindy Gittleman

**Celebrating 25 Years at B'nai Tikvah:** In honor of B'nai Tikvah's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Membership is in the process of having a banner made to hang on the new wing to celebrate this special milestone. Other arms of the synagogue have been asked to chip in together to help cover the cost.

**Dues Structure:** The membership dues structure is being reexamined by a small membership committee. A proposal will be presented to the board hopefully in Feb 2005 to be considered. Nothing will go into effect before August 2005

**Tee Shirts:** B'nai Tikvah wear was well received this year and will continue to be sold. New smaller children sizes will be sold during the fall.

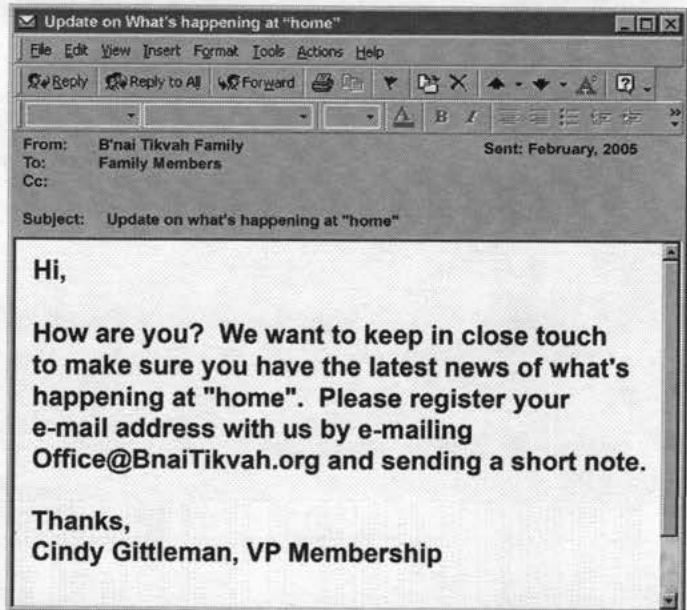
**Prospect List:** Membership keeps an active up-to-date list of prospective members who have shown an interest in B'nai Tikvah. For a copy of this list to invite to a synagogue event, please contact Cindy Gittleman.

**Committee Members:** The membership committee has welcomed 3 new members this year. Anyone interested in helping on the committee, please do not be shy! Contact VP Membership, Cindy Gittleman

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## A MEMBERSHIP MINUTE

### Cindy Gittleman, V.P. Membership



## So, how are we doing?

### Let the Feedback Committee Know

We are proud of B'nai Tikvah and its programs, but we are always looking for ways to meet our congregants' needs. Help us identify areas in which we can do even better -- new programs, activities, etc. Call any Board or Feedback Committee members with your suggestions and ideas (see the B'nai Tikvah Directory found on the inside back cover of Hakol).

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## FROM THE HAKOL EDITORS

### SYNAGOGUES AND YACHT CLUBS

Our involvement in sailboat racing, and junior sailing in particular, has taken us to regattas at a wide range of yacht clubs along the entire east coast. While the kids are out on the water, there is a lot of time to make new friends. We often talk about how each of our clubs work, what aspects are successful, and which parts need improvement. I guess I'm also a bit of an amateur anthropologist, because I've found myself comparing the cultural similarities of yacht clubs and synagogues. These non-profit, primarily volunteer organizations are surprisingly alike. For example, the board meetings of yacht clubs and a synagogue have similar agendas, with the same discussions about the new roof, the in-house caterer, the "junior program", and many other issues that are common to both.

There's another set of similarities between sailing and Judaism. Both have their own "language", and there are many arcane practices and rules. Some rules seem based in obscure tradition, while others are so complex that you have to be deeply involved to understand them. In both cultures, some members perceive these as "barriers" to getting involved, while others see them as challenges to be met, in order to unlock the rewards of greater understanding and involvement. I could write another entire editorial on this subject alone, but the bottom line is that no one should let any perceived barriers get in the way of participating in and building our local Jewish community.

This is especially important because both yacht clubs and synagogues that are able to maintain a higher level of member involvement thrive, while others decline as member involvement drops. In both of these cultures, too many members take the organizations for granted.

I've seen several yacht clubs lose their vitality as a result of member apathy. Successful clubs fall apart when the leaders burn out from lack of help with their responsibilities, and an inability to groom talented successors. My impression is that this happens faster in yacht clubs than in synagogues, and I suspect a major factor is that once a boat sits around for a season or two without being used, there's an incentive to sell it and resign your yacht club membership. However, for some reason a lot of Jews seem content just paying dues to the synagogue in order to have High Holiday seats, or a convenient place to send the kids to Hebrew school. If I had the time, I'm sure I could scientifically find the "threshold of member involvement" required to keep these types of organizations viable. Nonetheless, I've seen enough anecdotal evidence to be convinced that just paying dues is not enough. There is real danger in not doing your part to help maintain the



parts of the Jewish community that are important to you.

Get involved. Pick something that would be rewarding to learn, or that would be fun to get involved in. When you see an aspect of our synagogue you can help to change for the better, make your voice heard. Don't be afraid that you won't be part of the "select group" that runs things, because that group is constantly changing. It's important for new people to get involved, with fresh ideas. Every job is important, even the so-called minor jobs. Helping out on the "little things"



takes the pressure off of the core group of current leaders and staff. If you're reading this editorial, you already have an investment in the congregation and a desire to see our local Jewish community prosper. Don't take your local Jewish community for granted.

While B'nai Tikvah is a congregation where it's relatively easy to get involved, sometimes it may take a few tries to connect with the right person or group. If you want help, call the Rabbi, the Cantor, or Cindy Gittleman, our Membership VP, myself, or anyone on the Board. They'll be glad to help point you in the right direction, or make an introduction. As our facilities expand, there will be new activities to run, and plenty of opportunities for involvement and leadership.

*Paul Zankel*

*hakol@bnaitikvah.org*

### Endow a new Siddur Sim Shalom



The majority of the Siddurim in our synagogue need to be replaced. The new version of the Siddur Sim Shalom is smaller and easier to hold, is gender and user friendly and has more transliteration.

New dedications	\$30
Re-dedications	\$21

For more information contact the Synagogue Office or <http://www.bnaitikvah.org/siddur.html>



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

It's interesting that some people who go into New York to work or to see a show, tell me that they are afraid to go to Israel. Not safe, they say. It reminds me of the time that Mill and I stopped in at a souvenir shop in Tel Aviv. While the proprietor was wrapping our purchases, his elderly mother came out from the rear of the store and we got into conversation.

She was a typical Brooklyn Bubba, the kind you see walking half-bent over with a babushka on her head tied with a bow under her chin. We talked in Yiddish as she had no English and my Hebrew is too rudimentary for a conversation. I asked her if she wasn't nervous about seeing all the young soldiers in the streets with guns hanging from their shoulders. "Foolish boy" she said, "I can come home one o'clock in the morning and no one will bother me, but my daughter in the Bronx, she can't come home at one o'clock".

Of course she was right. Our perception of what goes on in other places is colored by what we read in the newspapers or other media. We see violence on TV and assume that this is what life is like in that locale. My Israeli friends and family ask us how we can live amid so much violence in the U.S., and why we don't come to live in Israel where life is so much safer and

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tranquil. Even the meanest streets of Tel Aviv are safer than most cities in the U.S. The acts of crazies are unpredictable anywhere. Be it the World Trade Center or Oklahoma City or Jerusalem. Who can prepare for a postal worker who shoots his coworkers, or an unhinged man who kills a dozen children in a Scottish schoolroom?

The odds of any one of us being at the scene of a bombing or shooting anywhere in the world are so infinitesimal as to be uncountable. As we prepared to leave for Israel one Spring, to be with our family there for Passover, we received phone calls from well-meaning friends expressing concern and wishing us a safe trip. We are not heroically inclined, but the fact is that we are more concerned about the normal risks of travel, about which we worry very little, than about our safety in Israel.

Despite all the scare stories in the newspapers and TV, we know that Israel is still one of the safest places in the world and I would urge anyone with an interest in Israel to put aside your fears and GO.

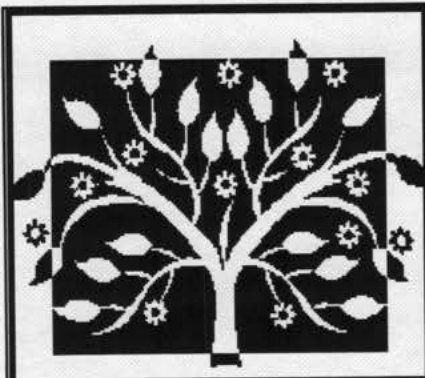
*Next year in Jerusalem.*  
Aaron Rosloff

*Letters to the Hakol are welcome from all congregants, on issues relevant to the local Jewish community. Publishing of letters is subject to space availability.*

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**ISRAEL TASKFORCE**

Alan Kane, Chairperson

**THE GREAT DEPRESSION, REVISITED**

A few weeks ago I participated in a trip to the Israeli Consulate and the American

Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) organized by the Israel Taskforce of the Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County. The group received high level briefings at the Consulate on the current state of affairs in Israel. The JDC information sessions gave us significant insight into some of the most pressing issues faced by Jews throughout the world.

Up until now, all of my articles have been about the situation in Israel but I learned something at the JDC about the Argentina Jewish Community that was completely off my radar and eclipsed by all the other crises in the news. Prior to 2001, the Jewish community of Argentina was a South American mirror of our Jewish community. They were mostly middle and upper middle class, living in homes like ours and working in all sectors of their economy, from large banks to small retail shops.

In the span of a few years following the collapse of the Argentine economy in December 2001, most of the 200,000 Jews have seen their homes, savings and jobs disappear before their eyes. Not since the Great Depression has a middle class been completely wiped out. Thousands of upper and middle class families now live below the poverty line and more than 65,000 Jews are in need of immediate assistance. Finding employment is incredibly difficult and those out of work must accept jobs with appallingly low salaries. Meeting monthly rent, mortgages and utility bills and paying regular business expenses have become too burdensome for many families. Businesses are failing. Families are being evicted from their homes and others go without electricity. Providing food for one's family is a serious ongoing problem. To avoid the stigma of receiving food packages or vouchers, the JDC provides them with a COTO supermarket debit card refilled each month with a \$55 stipend for groceries.

The Joint Distribution Committee has responded with a massive influx of aid. Before the crash, the JDC's annual welfare budget for Argentina was \$200,000. In the last two years alone, that budget jumped to \$15 Million. They are making progress at stabilizing the community, but the basic infrastructure of their society remains weak. Most of us were born well after the Great Depression and would find it hard to imagine our lives devastated by a national financial crisis. I am sure the Jews of

Argentina felt the same way a few years ago. Without the JDC's involvement, there is no telling what would become of the Jewish community of Argentina.

The JDC receives most of its funding from Jewish Federations throughout North America. If you would like to help this community or other Jewish communities throughout the world one of the best ways is to make a donation through our Federation.

Footnote: Much of the factual information in this column was taken or copied from a variety of JDC source materials.

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## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REPORTS

Ann Kanarek, Director

### TEACHING JEWISH VALUES AND ETHICS

In Judaism we believe that our ethical-moral-religious system rests on the notion that if faith is to be meaningful, it must be translated into deed. A good Jewish education would, therefore, be one that not only transmits knowledge, but that also transforms it into practice. We don't necessarily distinguish between the values that are distinctively Jewish--those of reverence for God, study of Torah, love for the Jewish people--and the more universal Jewish values--justice, compassion, and respect for the dignity of people. The more universal values have all come from our Torah from the teachings of our ancestors.

Judaism puts great stress on reverence for parents, respect for the aged, and benevolence toward the infirm and weak. We're taught that honesty and truthfulness are required and that stealing, falsehood, and oppression are forbidden. We blend the teaching of these values with the doing of mitzvot that act upon the values.

Beginning in the earlier grades, teachers and students talk about the commandments we are required to follow and find ways in which to do the mitzvot. Each concept we teach includes examples of how to fulfill that concept. Among the specific goals we use to teach values are:

\*Children will learn how to exhibit caring behavior in the sanctuary and classroom and why it is important.

\*Students will explore concepts of tzedakah and mitzvot as related to themselves and helping others.

\*Through the stories in Torah, students will learn to identify basic Jewish values.

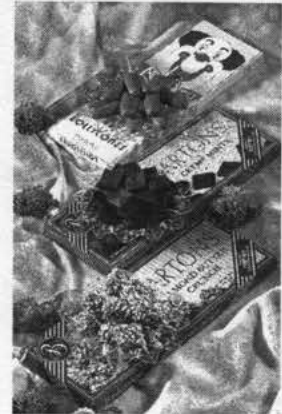
The concept of holiness includes the idea of justice, goodness, wisdom, and truth. The ideal of study and learning is reflected in the blessing which reads "*Blessed are you...who has sanctified us with Your commandments and commanded us to study Torah.*"

Teaching our children that God has given us the gift of life, the gift of health, and the gift of love isn't enough. We need to pass along these gifts to others so that the whole world will eventually be filled with God's goodness. The Talmud teaches that the world stands on three things: **the study of Torah, Avodah--service to God, and Gemilut Hasadim--acts of loving kindness** — which we perform in recognition that all goodness comes from God. Every child in religious school has the opportunity to incorporate acts of loving kindness into his or her daily life. This occurs in relation to study and celebration of a specific holiday or life cycle event or sometimes at the culmination of a unit of study or as a project during a family program.

Throughout the year our synagogue and school has a multitude of social action and social justice projects, including many in which our students become involved, either with their families or with their classmates. We know that a very successful way for children to learn about values and ethics is to emulate what they see both at home and in the synagogue.

### BARTONS PASSOVER CANDY SALE

It's not too early to start thinking Passover. Check our website and your children's book bag for a **Bartons Passover Candy Sale form**. Our candy sale will begin on **February 13**. If you have any questions regarding the candy, please call us at the School Office, 732-297-0295. All student entrepreneurs will be rewarded with an incentive prize. Our top prizes are very exciting. So, join the fun; sell to family and friends but PLEASE do not solicit door-to-door. Our children's safety is important to us.



Your support of the candy sale will go to future extracurricular and school enrichment programs.

The sale will end on March 6th!!  
Many thanks for your support!!

### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FEBRUARY REMINDERS

**Sunday, February 6: Gimel CLASS PACT Program: Tzedakah and the Giraffe Connection, 10am-12:05pm**

**Sunday, February 13: DALET CLASS PACT Program: Bridges of Mitzvot County, 10am-12:05pm**

**Sunday, February 20: NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL, President's Weekend**

**Monday, February 21: NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL, President's Weekend**

**Sunday, February 27: CHAI SCHOOL: Special program with Israeli artist, Avi Zuckerman**

**Friday, March 4: GIMEL CLASS SHABBAT SERVICE (8pm) and DINNER (6:30pm)**

**Sunday, March 6: DALET CLASS: C.A.F.E. Program, Yad Workshop (during regular school hours) with guest artist, Inbar Bibring**

**Sunday, March 13: ALEF CLASS: C.A.F.E. Program, Siddur Covers (during regular school hours) with guest artist, Inbar Bibring**

**\*\*Please note that this date has been changed\*\***



# NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

Fran Pearson, Director

## Fabulous February Begins

### Fitness and Food Program

February's forecast is filled with food, fitness, and fun-filled activities. We will focus on the importance of eating healthy foods, taking care of our bodies and taking care of our teeth. Our students will all enjoy eating a healthy and nutritious breakfast consisting of cereal and a variety of fresh fruits and other healthy snacks. We are bypassing the cookies and serving the fruits and veggies!

### Family Shabbat Program

This month we are inviting our nursery school parents to help their child's class in welcoming in Shabbat. Each Friday, parents will have the opportunity to assist with the candle lighting, blessings, and join the children as they sing Shabbat songs. As always, parent involvement is encouraged, and we look forward to having our parents join us as we teach our children about our beautiful customs and traditions.

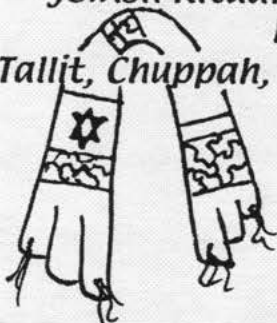
### Nursery School Registration

Nursery School Registration is currently underway for the 2005-2006 school year. We are continuing to give all temple members priority registration and tuition discounts. We are happy that many of our nursery school families will be returning next year and are excited about several new families joining us.

### Nursery School Open House Wednesday, February 9th

We are having an open house on Wednesday, February 9th from 9:30-11:00 am. We look forward to showing prospective families the wonderful learning activities our children are involved in. We thank Cindy Gittleman, membership chairperson, for assisting us at our open house to answer any and all questions that interested families might have.

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### Library on Wheels Program

Our Pre-k and three-year-old students are excited about participating in one of our programs that promotes literacy. Each month, our students have the opportunity to select their own book from our library cart. Parent volunteers help the children with their selections. Parents are encouraged to read these books aloud to their child/children and to also talk about the story to them. According to research, reading aloud to our children helps build reading success. Children who love being read to often have an easier time learning to read. Tip: Read slowly to your child so that your child can absorb what you say and can create images in his or her mind. Talk about the pictures and let your child turn the pages when ready. Look for books you'll both enjoy!

### Stellar Space Program

On Tuesday, February 8th, our Pre-K students will discover the wonders of space in this exciting and interactive program. They will learn about stars, planets, and comets. They will talk about the Earth and the Milky Way and have lots of fun with several hands on experiments.

### Rhymes and Rainbows Enrichment Program

Our Rhymes and Rainbows enrichment program for our two and a half-year-old students has started and the children are very excited about carrying their lunch boxes to and from school and reciting their nursery rhymes. The good news is the program was so well received by our parents that the class is now filled.

## NURSERY SCHOOL FEBRUARY CALENDAR

**February 1:** Two and a half-year-old Parent/Teacher Conferences

**February 3:** Two and a half-year-old Parent/Teacher Conferences

**February 8:** STELLAR SPACE PROGRAM

**February 9:** Nursery School OPEN HOUSE

**February 21:** SCHOOL CLOSED-PRESIDENT'S DAY

# B'NAI TIKVAH YOUTH

## KADIMA

Kadima@bnaitikvah.org

Adam Sackett, Advisor  
908-284-1741 \* adamds73@aol.com

After the excitement of hosting the Regional Dance this Fall, in February we've settled back in for the second half of the year. We had a great turnout at our recent Mall Scavenger Hunt on January 13 in Menlo Park Mall, our upcoming schedule of events for Kadima is:

**January 23:** Regional Kadima Fun Day, Brick, NJ: Bus leaves the Synagogue at 12:30 pm.

**February 6:** Pre-Super Bowl Ice Skating at Princeton Sports Center 12-2 pm. RSVP by January 22. Cost is \$6. Skate rental is \$3. Meet at the arena

**February 16:** Israeli Dancing B'nai Tikvah. 7-8:30 pm. Joint program with USY. RSVP by February 1.

**February 26:** Regional Shrek Day Cranford. RSVP by February 16.

Adam Sackett

## USY

usy@bnaitikvah.org

Audra Lifson, Advisor  
AIM: blondy0131 732-545-8314

Hey all and Happy New Year!!! Wow, the beginning of 2005 and the second half of the 2004-2005 calendar year for USY. This January we will have invited some eighth graders to our event on the 20th, and we successfully ran a Battle of the Tribes hosted by Seth Robey!!!! Another decent turnout to the dance on the 15, and our V.P. of Rel/Ed., Alex Welsher, has started to organize another youth service for the 26th of February!!!! We also will be planning a relief fund for the tsunami victims so please keep your ears open for it within the next few weeks!!!!!!!!!!!!

Happy and a healthy new year to all!!!!!!!!!!!!

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<i>Dr. Jack A. Mailman</i>	<i>1992-1994</i>
<i>Gary Tinkel</i>	<i>1990-1992</i>
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<i>Marc Dillman</i>	<i>1986-1988</i>
<i>Norman Politziner</i>	<i>1985-1986</i>
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# B'NAI TIKVAH COMMUNITY

## Sisterhood

**Feb. 13 9:00AM**- Bring your spouse or significant other and join us for a joint meeting with Men's Club.

**Purim** - Watch your mail for the Purim basket order form.

**March 20 - 10:00AM** - Join us for breakfast and a discussion of the movie, "The Harmonists". Set in Nazi Germany, it is the story of a barbershop quartet consisting of Jewish and non-Jewish members and what happens to them as the Nazis gain power. We will be discussing the movie on March 20 but we will be viewing it in the following homes that week:

**March 15 8:00**- East Brunswick-  
at the home of Phyllis Safeer 732-432-9622

**March 16 8:00**- North Brunswick-  
at the home of Shelly Wistreich 732-422-4273

**March 17 8:00**- Monroe-  
at the home of Marcy Finkelstein 609-860-9338

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## SOCIAL ACTION

### Mitzvah Crib

When you do your weekly shopping, pick up an item to drop in our Mitzvah Crib. The Mitzvah Crib is in the hallway near the synagogue office. All donated items are given to indigent families in New Brunswick. Suggested items include: toys, rattles, books, diapers, wipes, powder, lotion, bibs, bottles, spill-proof cups and clothes. ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW.

### Cell Phone Program

Do you have an old cell phone you don't know what to do with? Bring your old cell phone with its battery and charger to the synagogue office. Social Action will be donating these phones to women from Women Aware, a shelter for battered women. All donated phones must have a battery and a charger. This program is on-going.

### THANK YOU

"The Linwood Middle School community would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your congregation for the donation of holiday gifts for a needy Linwood family. This time of year is especially difficult for families that have financial difficulties. Your generous donation has directly contributed to the excitement of five children this holiday season.

We are grateful for the generosity of your congregation and thank you for the holiday presents that will transform one family's holiday season."

*Sincerely,  
J. Pete Clark, Principal*

**Social Action Committee meets the fourth Monday evening of every month after Minyan.**

### Food of the Month:

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### From The Webmaster

#### Bar/Bat Mitzvahs Online

There are several companies that offer Bar/Bat Mitzvah websites for your occasion. These generally cost between \$200 and \$500, depending on number of pages, number of photos, amount of customization, and how many weeks or months the website is activated. When Dorothy Cohen asked me if we could provide this service, I offered free use of our webspace, gave her the necessary tools, and provided a free "getting started" lesson. To see the cool website she created for Elliot's recent Bar Mitzvah, follow the "B'nai Mitzvah" link on our website, locate January 29, and click on Elliot's name. Perhaps, in the future we may charge a nominal fee but, if you think this is something you'd like to do for your child's Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Wedding, Brit Mitzvah or Baby Naming, contact me to discuss the possibilities.

#### Where Is It?

If there's a document, guideline, or written policy that you think should be made available to the congregation, chances are very good it's already on our website but, perhaps you can't find it amongst the hundreds of files because it's not properly linked or indexed.

At the top of the Blue Index on the left, there is a "Google Search". Just type one or two words to describe what you need and click the "GO" button.

If you think it should have been easier to find, please let me know what you were looking for and where you first looked.

Gary Bergman  
webmaster@BnaiTikvah.org

*"Oh, what a tangled website we weave when first we practice."*

#### Matthew Katz's Holocaust Memorial Garden Update:

Matthew Katz will be working on his Boy Scout Eagle Project starting in early spring of 2005. The Eagle Project is a requirement for the rank of Eagle, the highest attainable rank in scouting. This project will entail the construction of a Holocaust Memorial Garden on Synagogue grounds. For further information, and to offer donations, supplies and/or assistance, please contact Matthew at MSK523@aol.com or 732-329-0687.

## 50plus

### BINGO PARTY FEB. 22

For our Feb.22nd. meeting we are having a BINGO PARTY---something new. Prizes will be given the winners. This is a first. Come join us at 1PM. Our Viennese Table will be served. So come one, come all.....Potential members welcome. Call Doris (609)860-1498 with any input.

The Fifty+ Group is looking to increase our membership. Our goal for our upcoming meetings is to have interesting and light programs to entertain you for 2 - 3 hours. Our aim is to have delightful programs. Our Program Director has been very ill the past year. Our Board Members have been wearing many hats, but by now they have become heavy. We are reaching out to our talented members to come forth with ideas. Pay is nil...but rewarding when you are part of bringing people together for friendship and sharing. There are several openings on our Board.

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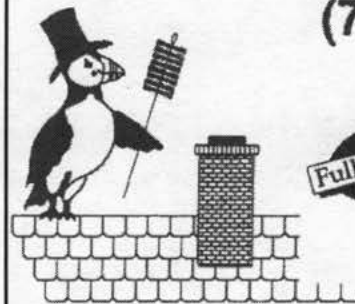
Over the years our Congregation has financed and refinanced the Synagogue, the Parsonages and new addition several times. Trans County Title Agency has supplied the title searches and title insurance policies for all these endeavors. They have either not charged us for the work or given us a deep discount. The principals of Trans County Title Agency are not members of our Congregation but do this out of kindness to our organization. They have never asked for anything in return, not even acknowledgement in the Hakol.

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### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:

Helene and Gary Tinkel, in honor of Rabbi and Jodi Eligberg's latest family addition, Miriam Chana  
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### Cantor's Discretionary Fund:

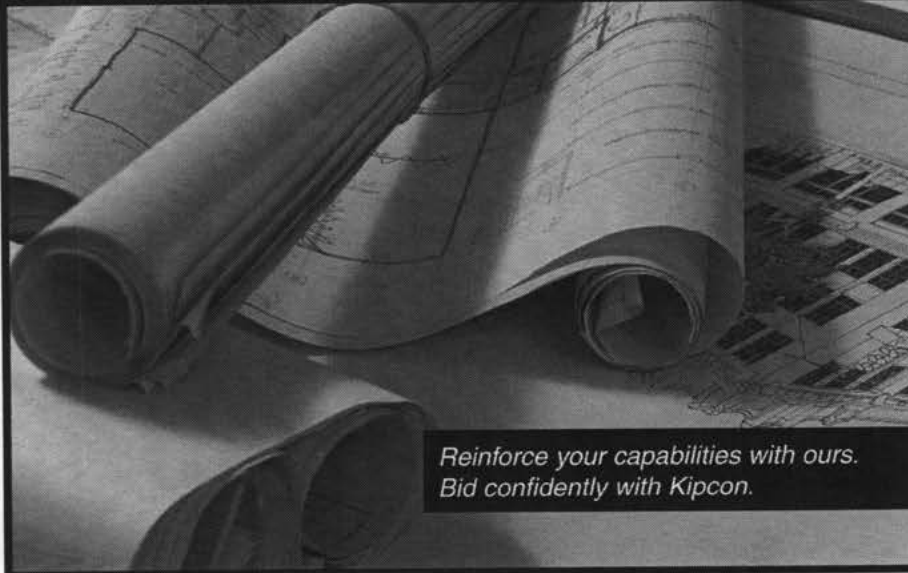
Helene and Gary Tinkel, thanking Cantor Rockman for performing the unveiling for Gary's father, Sidney  
 Lynn and Arthur Biderman, in honor of their wedding ceremony

### Expansion Fund:

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**Suse Rosenstock Memorial Fund:**

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Fern, Alan, Ilana and Marc Katronetsky, in memory of David Lebowitz

Fern, Alan, Ilana and Marc Katronetsky, in memory of Herbert Surks (father of Mark Surks)

Adrienne, Andy and Elyse Ross, in honor of Arthur and Arlene Cederbaum

becoming grandparents

**Family Shabbat Fund:**

**Makhela Fund:**

Ilene and Allen Karp, in memory of Ilene's beloved grandmother, Rachel Ladimer

Ilene and Alan Karp, in memory of Jeanette Herman (mother of Deborah Rosen)

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Blanche Fruhling, in memory of her beloved father, Benjamin Seidenstein Arlene and Mitch Frumkin

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**Social Action Fund:**

Sue, Seth, Abigail, David and Rachel Levinson, in memory of Murray Horowitz (father of Amy Smith and Gary Horowitz and husband of Janet Horowitz)

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## BOARD AND VP REPORTS

### From the January, 2005 Board of Trustees Meeting

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#### Past President Mitch Frumkin

**Construction:** I have prepared the following list of the primary contracts and the percentage complete, along with comments regarding the project schedule.

##### Current Status of budgeted items:

1. Masonry	99%
2. HVAC	75%
3. Electrical	80%
4. Plumbing	75%
5. Windows and Exterior Doors	100%
6. Fire Protection System	90%
7. EIFS (stucco exterior)	90%
8. Steel studs and drywall	95%
9. Miscellaneous iron work	95%
10. Ceilings	40%
11. Bathroom partitions	0%
on order, 4 week lead time	
12. Flooring (except MP room)	0%
no contract, 3 bids	
13. MP room flooring	0%
14. Painting	75%
15. MP Room door	25%
16. Classroom accordion door	25%
17. Barrier free lift	0%
18. Gas line	0%
Contract awarded	
19. Basketball hoops	100%

The interior steel stud work and drywall is almost complete and has been taped, spackled and is in the process of being painted. The interior doors have been installed in most places and are stained. The plumbing rough in is completed. The remaining EIFS (stucco) work is complete except for the area at the back of the multi purpose room. The rear steel beam has been installed and will be scheduled for the application of the last portion of

the EIFS. The ceiling grid in the MP room is scheduled for the second week of January. The track for the accordion door in the multi purpose room has been installed. The installation of the gas line from the meter at the rear of the existing building to the addition is scheduled to start the first week of January. In order to move forward with the flooring and the final painting, we will need to have heat in the building. This will be available as soon as the gas line is installed and connected.

We are continuing the legal process against the original contractor.

**Feedback Committee:** The committee is developing a "Mission Statement" to be presented to the Board for approval. Any BOT members who have suggestions should forward them to Mark Roller. A meeting is scheduled for January 10.

#### VP School & Youth Harold Schneider

**Nursery School:** The Nursery School is celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary this month. In December, seven students graduated from the Toddler Fun Club. All are now entering our new 2½-year-old class.

Registration is now taking place for Mommy & Me and for Toddler Fun Club. Registration for Nursery School for 2005-6 will begin on January 31. On Wednesday morning, February 9<sup>th</sup>, the Nursery School will hold an open house. Synagogue members receive priority registration and a discount in tuition.

**Religious School:** We now have an advanced Hebrew program. Students are pulled from regular classes, singly or in

pairs, and work with our supplemental instructor for 15-20 minutes per week.

On Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, the Kindergartners will have a PACT program, *Shema Pajama Party*. On the same day, the Dalet class will have part 1 of the Rabbi's "4B" program. The Bet class PACT program, *Family God Talk*, will be on Sunday, January 23. On January 30, Theater Ariel, an improvisational theater group, will present a special program on 350 Years of American Jewish History for grades 5-7 and Chai School.

Report cards will be sent out at the end of January.

**College Program:** The College Committee sent over 40 Chanukah packages to our college students. Those with college students who are not on the list, send Marcia Schwartz the name and address for future mailings.

**Kadima:** Upcoming Kadima events include a Mall Scavenger Hunt at Menlo Park on a January 13<sup>th</sup>, a Regional Kadima Fun Day in Brick, NJ on January 23, and pre-Super Bowl Ice Skating at the Princeton Sports Center on February 6.

Also, we are selling Kadima t-shirts for \$7 a shirt. If interested, please email or call Adam Sackett.

**USY:** On Thursday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, our USYers will have a Battle of the Tribes. On January 15<sup>th</sup>, they will be attending a dance in Toms River. Another event, to be announced, will be held on Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup>.

#### VP Ways and Means Mark Sherman

**Supermarket Scrip & Retail Scrip:** Marc Binder is doing a great job leading

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the charge on selling scrip. There will be a flyer every month in the Hakol to let people sign off on not taking the credit for dues.

**25th Anniversary Event:** The committees for the event are off and running. We will be honoring all past presidents. The cost for the dinner dance will be \$118.00 a couple. There will also be an ad journal. The sale of \$750.00 of ads will get you 2 free tickets. Please help raise money by buying, and selling ads. We need everyone to help.

**Printer Cartridges:** We are collecting ink jet cartridges. There is a box in the office please just drop them off. We have sent in a box and are sitting on several new boxes to be sent out. CBT will receive \$2.00 per cartridge. We have received several hundred dollars so please keep on bringing in the cartridges.

**Car Donation:** We have a program to take car donations. An ad has been placed in the upcoming Hakol. We have had some interest so far. We have placed an ad in the Jewish paper and will run for a year. Please let me know what you think of the ad. There has been a change in the tax ruling on car donation that should not impact our revenues.

**Entertainment books:** We have sold about 80 books. This is less than last year, because the book is not as good, and the Kidstuff Book took a piece of the market share. We made \$6.00 a book.



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6 27 Sh'vat	7 28 Sh'vat	8 29 Sh'vat 50+ Board Meeting Book Club Gimel PACT Program	9 30 Sh'vat Torah Lishma / Adult Ed	10 1 Adar I USY Meeting	11 2 Adar I Birthday Shabbat	12 3 Adar I <b>Bat Mitzvah:</b> <b>Julie Rekant</b>
13 4 Adar I Synagogue Event Dalet PACT Program Sisterhood / Men's Club	14 5 Adar I Board of Directors Sisterhood Board	15 6 Adar I New Beginnings	16 7 Adar I ROSH CHODESH Torah Lishma / Adult Ed	17 8 Adar I USY Meeting	18 9 Adar I Family Shabbat Service	19 10 Adar I <b>Bat Mitzvah:</b> <b>Rebecca Safeer</b> Raise our Voices for Israel (benefit)
20 11 Adar I No Religious School	21 12 Adar I Office & Schools Closed School Committee PRESIDENTS' DAY	22 13 Adar I 50+ General Meeting	23 14 Adar I Torah Lishma / Adult Ed	24 15 Adar I	25 16 Adar I	26 17 Adar I <b>Bar Mitzvah:</b> <b>Ithan Sokol</b> Tot Shabbat Bowling League
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