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# HAKOL

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Sunday Sept 18th  
9am

### MEN'S CLUB HOSTS GARY WATERS

RUTGERS HEAD  
BASKETBALL COACH  
THURSDAY SEPT. 22  
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### Adult Education Series Begins!

Wednesday,  
Sept. 21st  
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## RABBI ELIGBERG SPEAKS

### BE PREPARED!

With appreciation to Tom Lehrer and apologies to the Boy Scouts and visa versa.

*Be prepared!*

*Be prepared! As through life you march along.*

*Be prepared to hold your mahzor really well*

*While you stand for so long that you're feet begin to swell.*

*Be prepared! To face up to last year's sins.*

*Rosh Hashannah is the season for admissions.*

*Keeping them all hidden where you're sure that they will not be found.*

*Is a plan destined to failure*

*when the Holy One's around.*

*And then you can't ask to be spared.*

*Be prepared!*

*Be prepared. That's what these Holy Days demand,*

*Be prepared! And review each word and deed.*

*It's time to pray and hear the shofar blast.*

*To God we are bidden to return at last.*

*Be prepared. And be careful that you do*

*Your good deeds for there's someone watching you.*

*If you're looking for adventure of a new and different kind.*

*This season invites you to explore the Jewish stuff that's on your mind.*

*Don't be nervous, don't be flustered, don't be scared.*

*Be prepared!*

Dear Haverim,

Every year, as the High Holy Days approach, most people I meet ask me the same question, "So, Rabbi. Are you prepared?" By prepared they mean: Have you finished writing your sermons? Have you been practicing your shofar blowing? Is everything in order in the synagogue? Are you prepared for what you need to do as our rabbi on the High Holy Days?

While this is important, it deflects the question of if I am ready for the High Holy Days. Being prepared in this context is an existential question about the status of my relationship with God. Being prepared is really a reflection of where I am in the process of T'shuva (of turning or transforming). It is a reminder that the High Holy Days are part of a process, not an event; a process whose success is a reflection of my level of preparation.

I cannot simply wake up on the first day of Rosh Hashannah, go to the synagogue and check my Day Timer: 1 Tishre – Rosh Hashannah – Tasks: Do T'shuva. True T'shuva is a process that takes time and patience; that demands honesty and commitment. Judaism recognized this by designating the month of Elul – the month prior to Rosh Hashannah – as a period of preparation; as a time to begin the process of intro-

spection, contemplation, and self-examination that are the essential stepping stones for T'shuva. In Hebrew, this process is called Heshbon Hanefesh – an accounting of the soul – a spiritual self-audit. Only after doing the hard work this entails can I speak of being prepared for the High Holy Days, of being engaged in the T'shuva, of working to create my best self.

This is the unique challenge and incredible opportunity that this season of the year gives us. Our tradition recognizes that on life's journey there are many paths available to us – some move us along and closer to the goal of walking with God; oth-

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ers lead in directions that divert us from our ultimate goal. T'shuva calls on us to change direction; to get off the path that has led us away from godliness, from our tradition and possibly from our people. T'shuva offers us the oppor-

tunity to turn back. It is a reminder that taking the wrong turn can be nothing more than a detour on our life's journey – that we can still choose a different path.

At the end of the Book of Bamidbar (Numbers), the Torah repeats all the places where the Israelites camped on their journey from Egypt to the Land of Israel. The list ends with the Israelites on the verge of entering the Promised Land. Our teacher, the Ba'al Shem Tov commented on this verse that "just as the Israelites had 42 stations on their journey so too each person has 42 stations in life." The words of the Siftei Tzadikim can help us understand this enigmatic teaching. He suggests that as the Israelites wandered in the wilderness, each station brought them closer to their dual goal of entering the Land of Israel and of becoming God's people. For us the High Holy Days are like stations marking our progress on the long and winding road that makes us aware of the presence of the holy in our lives and leads us into the presence of the Holy One.

To help us on the journey, we add a special Psalm to each morning and evening service to focus our attention; we sound the shofar each morning to rouse ourselves to action. Lastly, we hold a special service called S'lichot. Held late at night, it is designed to help us gather the forces of T'shuva, so that we are prepared to confront where we have been in the past and move toward what we can become in the future. I look forward to preparing for our journey together.

*With blessings,  
Rabbi David M. Eligberg*

## HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES 5766

### High Holy Day Schedule 5766

S'lichot Saturday, September 24

Program 9:00 PM

Service 11:30 PM

Rosh Hashanah Eve: Monday, October 3 6:15 PM

Rosh Hashanah: Tuesday, October 4 9:00 AM

Tashlich: Tuesday, October 4 5:30 PM

Rosh Hashanah: Tuesday, October 4 6:15 PM

Rosh Hashanah: Wednesday, October 5 9:00 AM

Rosh Hashanah: Wednesday, October 5 6:15 PM

Kol Nidre: Wednesday, October 12 6:00 PM

Yom Kippur: Thursday, October 13 9:00 AM

Mincha/Neilah/Ma'ariv 4:15 PM

Final Shofar Blown (Ending Fast) 7:36 PM

Sukkot Schedule 5766

Erev Sukkot (Eve): Monday, October 17 6:00 PM

Sukkot: Tuesday, October 18 9:30 AM & 6:00 PM

Sukkot: Wednesday, October 19 9:30 AM & 6:00 PM

Hoshana Rabba: Monday, October 24 7:00 AM

Shmini Atseret: Monday, October 24 5:45 PM

Shmini Atseret: Tuesday, October 25 9:30 AM &

5:45 PM

Simhat Torah/Hakafot: Tuesday, October 25 6:30 PM

Simhat Torah: Wednesday, October 26 9:30 AM &

5:45PM

### Selichot: Gefilte Fish and Ethical Wills

Join us on Saturday night, September 24, 2005 at 9pm for an introspective Selichot program leading into Selichot services at 11:30PM.

We will be watching the movie *Gefilte Fish*, which explores three generations' perspective of Judaism and how it changes from one generation to the next. Following the movie and discussion we will have the opportunity to discuss what we would like to leave our children and grandchildren in the form of an Ethical Will. By reading ethical wills from the Bible as well as some contemporary ethical wills, we will learn how important it is to leave behind not just material possessions, but our ideas, values and messages to future generations. Everyone will be given a template to create their own ethical will.

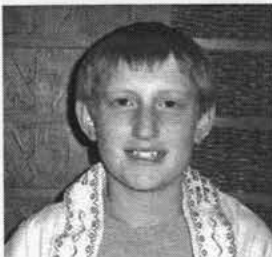
Continuing with the theme of change and the future, at 11:15 we will change the coverings on our Torahs and podiums to get the ready for our High Holy Days, leading directly to the dedication of any new memorial plaques followed by Selichot services.

Light dessert will be served during the program.

### Tashlich

We will be performing the ceremony of Tashlich on the first day of Rosh Hashanah. This ritual, often referred to as the casting away of our sins, is observed by approaching a moving body of water. In our case it will be performed at Oakeys Brook at the Brunswick Acres School in South Brunswick. We will toss the breadcrumbs, of whatever type you choose; descriptive information will be available at the Synagogue in September. We will recite Psalms as well as the verses "You shall cast all their sins into the depths of the sea" (Mica 7:18-19). We look forward to seeing you at this very moving and fun part of the Holiday.

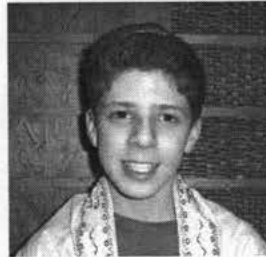
## SEPTEMBER B'NAI MITZVAH



**Michael Rogove**

**Sept. 3**

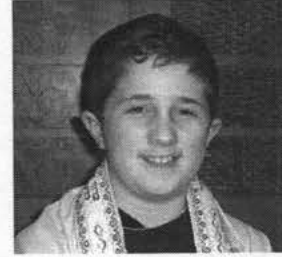
Bruce & Adrienne Rogove



**Andrew Sudran**

**Sept. 10**

Scott & Audrey Sudran



**Cody Goldstein**

**Sept. 24**

Steven & Cheryl Goldstein

## OUR HAZZAN'S VOICE Cantor Bruce Rockman

### Use Your Time Wisely

Each year we remark that the holidays are early or as is the case this year, they are late. Because the Jewish calendar is based on the cycles of the moon, a leap year includes an additional month as we experienced this past year, thus pushing our High Holy days forward on the secular calendar.

So how was your summer? Are you ready for new challenges and experiences? It always seems that there just is not enough time, don't you agree? This year our calendar is spread a bit. Back-to-school is a full month prior to Rosh Hashanah. Thanks to the calendar adjustment we have plenty of time to prepare for all of the upcoming events in our lives, don't you agree?

I don't know about you, but I still get a little bit anxious this time of year, looking forward to the unknown with wide eyed anticipation and a wince of concern. The past few years have been momentous for me and my family. Stacey and I have been blessed and thank God for our growing family. To say the least, we have been blessed by God in so many ways and we so appreciate our riches, at times I wonder how could I be so fortunate?

It appears that we have this extra time to prepare for the *Yamim Noraim, the Days of Awe*. Actually the ten days that include Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is itself a period of preparation. Most of us plan our lives based on the secular calendar which thankfully is providing us this extra prep-time. How can we use it wisely?

**STOP READING!  
ANSWER THE QUESTION!**  
Please take a few minutes to reflect:

**What use have I made of my time?  
Have I used it well or badly?  
How can I prepare for another good year?**

Most of us are very grateful to God for our gifts, but recognize that we must be proactive in our search for a fulfilled life. You work hard, you sacrifice and you live by the values of our heritage. These ten holy days are also known as the *Ten Days of Repentance, Aseret Y'mei Teshuvah*. It is a time for us to return to God and the God's way. It is an opportunity to return to the right road.

As we pray, we request that God hears us. We are thankful to God for all of our joy but we are all aware that in life we are guaranteed to experience sadness and loss. We can be challenged by illness and uncertainty. Life isn't always easy. So as we begin anew, back to school and work. Your job description may have changed; you may have a new job or a new role as a stay-at-home parent, perhaps you have the responsibility to for an infirmed friend or family member. Yet we want to remain unfaltering in our faith.

The Psalmist's prayer recalls "O teach us to count our days that we may get us a heart of wisdom." As Rabbi Ben Zion Bokser wrote, "...it does not really mean to count days. Anyone can do that. It is rather a prayer to make the days count. That is indeed the supreme wisdom of living."

*Worship the Lord in gladness;  
Come before God with joyous song.*  
Cantor Bruce Rockman

## HAKOL

The Newsletter of  
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**[Hakol@bnaitikvah.org](mailto:Hakol@bnaitikvah.org)**

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.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dan Greenberg

When I was first asked if I would consider the position of president of our synagogue, it was with no small amount of trepidation that I thought about it. Not because of the demands it would make on my time or because of the challenges that we face ahead, but more so because of the shining light in which Congregation B'nai Tikvah is already held in the community. To realize that for the next two years I am to be the guardian of that which so many others before me have created is an awesome responsibility.

And make no mistake about it, B'nai Tikvah is extremely well regarded, and we have a tremendous amount to be proud of. Our clergy tirelessly leads us and guides us, and by the way since there's no professional hockey to bet on, I'd put them up against any other synagogue in the area – we'd come out on top. We have a tremendous number of dedicated, enthusiastic volunteers who plan and execute a multitude of events. We have an excellent and committed professional staff that ensures that the office runs smoothly and that our children are well educated in Jewish studies. And in the next week or two, we will open a beautiful new wing that will greatly expand the programming possibilities and the activities that we can offer our members and the community at large. As I say, we have an awful lot to be proud of. I am thrilled that we have such a good foundation to build on. It helps me that we have so many good people to be able to consult with and draw from.

An awareness and appreciation of our past successes and achievements, however, is not enough for the future. The success of any organization rests on how it will change as the future changes, and B'nai Tikvah is no exception. It will be my responsibility to help see those changes in and build on what has gone before. And as we do that, we must respond to the needs of the future but always bear in mind the fundamentals of who we are and what we believe at our core.

I stand here as an individual with my own ideas and opinions. But of course, I am sure you all know the adage about whenever two Jews get together; there are at least three different opinions. Seriously, I doubt whether there is anyone here in this room who does not hold an opinion of what we should be doing and how we should be doing it. And that's a good thing – the Board and I welcome your input, your opinions and most importantly, your willingness to help.

B'nai Tikvah is truly at a crossroads. In the next year, we will hire a new Nursery School Director, we will conduct a search for a new Rabbi, and we will deal the financial challenges associated with both declining revenues and increasing costs.

I am only one person, but together we are many. And I am well aware that you have demanding careers and busy lives, but I will ask you now, and I will continue to ask you over the next 2 years, for your help. I intend to keep you informed of what is happening on the issues that affect us all, and in return, I hope to have your feedback and thoughts too. I look forward to what we

can achieve together. You will be looking to me for the experience, the drive and the passion that I can bring to this position. I will in turn be looking to you for guidance and for different viewpoints. I believe that your input is invaluable and that our unity is indeed our foundation.

Our membership is our strength. We must use that strength to grow Congregation B'nai Tikvah and to improve it. Every year there are new challenges to be overcome, problems to be tackled and improvements to be made. This year, it seems like the challenges may be a little harder and the problems may be a little bigger. But I have every faith that working together, we will rise up to meet them and solve them. I'm not too good when it comes to quoting our rabbis and sages, so instead I'll turn to the words of Abraham Lincoln who said, "Determine that the thing can and shall be done and then we shall find the way." Prior generations determined that B'nai Tikvah could and should come to fruition. It's up to us to find the way to make sure that it continues to thrive for many generations to come

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That is our challenge and as President I will, I promise, try to do my best in guiding us through the next two years. So thank you for your trust in me. I hope, at the end of my term of office you will be happy at what, and I use the word deliberately, WE have achieved together.

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### 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\*\*

## ADULT EDUCATION

### "Funny, That's a Shul?"

During Spirit Celebration Week  
**Wednesday, September 21st**  
 8pm in the Kiddush Room  
 Rabbi David Eligberg, presenter

Architecture through the Ages in synagogues and how it reflected the diversity of the community in which the people lived in over time and around the world.

### "Liturgical Changes and the High Holiday Experience"

**Wednesday, September 28th**  
 8pm in the Kiddush Room  
 Rabbi David Eligberg, presenter

Explore the liturgy and how it has evolved over time and more specifically how it is changing here at B'nai Tikvah. A wonderful session to help make the high holiday services a more meaningful experience.

## It's a HalleLuau!



September 23rd  
 6:30 PM

Spirit Week continues with a Shabbat dinner in the theme of a luau.

Shabbat services follow at 8pm

(Luau attire not mandatory)

RSVP by Sept. 18. See the flyer in this Hakol  
 Questions? email [luau@bnaitikvah.org](mailto:luau@bnaitikvah.org) or call  
 Bobbi Binder 732-274-2797

## A MEMBERSHIP MINUTE

Ruth Anne Koenick, VP Membership

### Spotlight on New Members:

**We welcome back Jan and Elaine Handleman.**

Elaine is a family therapist for the Gabrielsen Group of Highland Park, Hillsboro and Pennington. Jan is a Professor of Psychology at Rutgers and Director of the Douglass Disabilities Center, the Autism Center at Rutgers. He is a past board member of B'nai Tikvah and Highland Park Conservative Temple, as well as past chair of the Board of Education at Solomon Schechter. The Handlemans recently relocated to Somerset and decided to rejoin B'nai Tikvah. Jan calls B'nai Tikvah, "the congregation that was very special for me, one that supported the construction of a ramp to enable me to go on the bima for my daughter's Bas Mitzvah." He said, "The first Shabbat I attended services, I was warmly welcomed back by past friends and experienced once again their special kindness, It's like I never left".

The Handlemans, who first met through USY and have been married 33 years, have a 23 year old daughter, Lauren, who recently received her BFA in Dance from Rutgers University Mason Gross School of the Arts. She is opening a modern dance school for children in Highland Park.

**We welcome new members**

**Neil and Beth Oksman**

**and their daughters Nicole and Melissa.**

Neil is a Budget Analyst at Meridian Health in Wall. Beth is an Accountant at SGS Control Services in Rutherford. Nicole is 8 and will be going into 4th grade in September. She likes dance and gymnastics. Melissa is 5 and will be in the 1st grade. She likes basketball and softball. Both girls will be at Brunswick Acres.

The Oksmans joined B'nai Tikvah because they had heard many good things about and know some of the members. They also wanted to provide Nicole and Melissa with the Jewish education and upbringing that both Neil and Beth received.

### Calling All New Members:

Want to meet new people? Connect with other new members? Interested in finding out more about what B'nai Tikvah has to offer or how you can get involved? Come to the monthly new member chavurah. If you joined B'nai Tikvah in 2003-2005, you're eligible to be part of this new group. Meetings will be held Sunday mornings, September 25, October 23, and November 20. Come to minyan at 9:00 and then join us for a light breakfast at 10:00 am. RSVP to [RuthAnne.Koenick@BnaiTikvah.org](mailto:RuthAnne.Koenick@BnaiTikvah.org) or 732.828.8141 in the evenings.

### Join the membership committee:

Want to get involved in helping increase membership? Do you have skills in writing, editing, and designing materials? Like to schmooze and welcome new people to our synagogue? Join the membership committee and be a valued part of our community. The next meeting is Thursday, September

## CONGREGATION EVENTS AND INFO

### TORAH READER'S CLUB

New this year:  
Parent and child classes

Join the Torah Reader's Club  
to learn to read from the Torah  
Eligibility: Grades 5 & 6 (Gimel and Dalet) only

Classes start September 17, 2005

See the flyer in this month's Hakol or contact:

Bobbi Binder at 732-274-2797,  
bobbi.binder@bnaitikvah.org or

Larry Cohen at 732-821-4376,  
larry.cohen@bnaitikvah.org

### FAMILY SHABBAT DINNER

Followed by

Family Shabbat Services

Friday, September 16, 2005 6pm

See the flyer in this month's  
Hakol to RSVP.

### Junior Congregation Family Services Awards

*Mazel Tov to the following children who made the 2004-2005 Sefer Award incentive for attending services.* These children all attended services at least 23 times to receive this award of a \$5 gift certificate to the Religious School Book Fair in the fall:

Jesse Nagelberg	Evan Jacobs
Sarah Safeer	Marc Katronetsky
Lauren Wistreich	Samantha Kopelow
Daniel Levin	April Levine
Brittany Lewis	Rebecca Safeer
Jonathan Jacobs	Dina Sharon
Brian Wistreich	Michael Zadjura
Melissa Katz	Jason Seidman
Tamara Rucko	Rebekkah Reimann
Becca Binder	

*The Kavanah Award, meaning commitment, is our newest award and is given to children who show the highest level of commitment to tefilah and attend services at least 30 times during the school year.* These children will all receive \$10 gift certificates to Barnes & Noble:

Sarah Safeer	Daniel Levin	Brittany Lewis
Becca Binder	Rebecca Safeer	

Junior Congregation Family Services are held most Shabbat mornings in the chapel from 10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Both adults and children are welcome to join us in prayer and for a special sweet snack afterward.

*Sponsor a Junior Congregation Kiddush for only \$18. Great for Birthdays or any celebration.* Contact Barry Safeer at [jc@bnaitikvah.org](mailto:jc@bnaitikvah.org) or 732-432-9622 to reserve a date now.

### College Student Away from Home?

The College Committee sends holiday packages to your sons and daughters on campus.

To include your student in this program, complete the form included in this issue of the Hakol or contact Marcia Schwartz. This year we are sending out a Fall Holiday package, so please send in the form ASAP!

Any questions? Want to join the committee?  
Please call Marcia A. Schwartz (732-297-6365)  
[majonggmom@aol.com](mailto:majonggmom@aol.com)

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## CONGREGATION EVENTS AND INFO

### From The Webmaster

#### Reading the Minutes Online

Go to: [groups.yahoo.com/group/btannounce/files](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/btannounce/files)

Select "Board Minutes"...

Select year (1999 - 2005)...

Select desired report by month.

Q. Who can access these reports?

A. Anyone who is a member of the btannounce group.

Q. I receive the CBTnewsletter each week but, I can't log-in.

A. Any of the group's moderators (Hadas, Marty Abschutz, Dan Greenberg, or Gary Bergman) can add recipients to the group's email list but, that alone does not make you a member of the group. For security, you need a Yahoo-id to prove you are who you say you are.

Q. How does that work?

A. When you apply for a Yahoo-id, you give them your current email address. Yahoo sends a confirmation email that you must reply to. By replying to that message, we now can be sure your Yahoo-id and password really match your email address.

Q. What do I do with my Yahoo-id and password?

A. You can give your Yahoo-id to anyone you wish (and do not forget it) but, keep your password strictly to yourself.

Q. What if I forget my password?

A. No problem, Yahoo can send it to your registered email address anytime you request it.

Q. I don't want any new email addresses or receive any additional junk mail.

A. When you apply for your Yahoo-id be sure to UNCHECK any requests for a Yahoo email account or offers from other vendors.

Q. I have a Yahoo-Id but, I still can't log-in to the "btannounce" website. It says I am not a member of that group.

A. The email address associated with your Yahoo-id could be different from your CBTnewsletter subscription, especially if you have one or more B'nai Tikvah alias names. Contact [Gary.Bergman@bnaitikvah.org](mailto:Gary.Bergman@bnaitikvah.org) (732-246-7285) and we'll get it resolved.

### Have The Technocrats Taken Over?

Now that Dan Greenberg, myself, and many other computer oriented members have more prominent positions on the Board of Directors, there are concerns that some of our less-technical savvy congregants may be left out in cyberspace. As B'nai Tikvah's long time resident geek (I've never been called that by anyone to my face), I want to state for the record that, I will continue to do everything reasonable to make today's technologies available to us for the positive use of the congregation.

In the industry, we refer to those who don't have their own personal home page on the internet as the "homeless". I prefer to save that expression for those who simply don't have an internet email "address". If you find yourself amongst that group, there is still hope for you.

I have been accumulating used computers for use in the new wing for over a year now and I have an abundant supply of usable machines and parts. These machines are far below the state-of-the-art but, they are quite usable for anyone who is interested in light-office work, emailing, and surfing the internet. I'd be happy to provide any congregant with free equipment and some getting-started lessons. A small synagogue donation is suggested.

For those who would like to have their own website, just ask one of our congregants if they have an eleven-year-old at home who can assist you.

*Gary Bergman  
VP Administration*

*It's so easy to use a computer, a child can do it.  
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# ISRAEL TASKFORCE Alan Kane, Chairperson



## STRATEGIC THINKING 101

I think about Israel a lot, and like most of us, my attention tends to focus on the news of the day. Lately it is about the Gaza disengagement plan and the effect it is having on Israeli society. But, current events quickly become old news as the next significant situation arises. Recently, I received a communiqué from the Israel Foreign Ministry that contained a link to the Jewish People Planning Institute's report that addresses the long term strategic issues facing Israel and we Diaspora Jews. [www.jppi.org.il](http://www.jppi.org.il)

"The 2005 Annual Assessment Executive Report: Facing a Rapidly Changing World" provides an updated view of the challenges, threats, and opportunities confronting the Jewish People. As presented to the weekly Israeli Cabinet, it is a concise evaluation of the state of the Jewish people including various demographic issues, fertility policy, and the status of Diaspora Jewish communities. It also contains a series of recommendations on immigration policy, a wider role of Jewish people considerations into government decision-making, building up Jewish identity in the Diaspora, and a multi-year science and technology policy for Israel.

The section of the report that I found most thought provoking had to do with the relatively recent growing awareness by the Israeli government that their decision-making process does not take into consideration broader Jewish People issues beyond a narrow ideology. That ideology concerns the "relationship between Israel and the Jewish People, which regards *aliyah* as the main answer to the problems of the Jews in the Diaspora, and support for Israel as the essence of Israel-Diaspora relations." This mind set is now slowly changing as "the meaning of 'Israel as the State of the Jewish People' includes more elements of responsibility for the Jewish People as a whole."

Jewish continuity as an example of a "Jewish People issue" is one of the main concerns shared by both the Diaspora and the State of Israel. Their approaches

to the issue are vastly different. Israel's ideological approach to addressing the problem is focused on *aliyah* as the ultimate counter measure to all of the pressures threatening Jewish continuity. This is in contrast to Diaspora programs such as Birthright or our own B'nai Tikvah Youth Exchange trip to Israel, where the motivation is to reinforce Jewish identity through exposure to Israel. The report makes numerous recommendations as to how the Israel government can make positive contributions to "the existence and future of the Jewish People, wher-

*ever they are."*

The report is like a "State of the Union" address for the Jewish People. I urge you to read it as a resource to enhance your understanding of your Jewish identity in today's world.



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## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REPORTS

Ann Kanarek, Director

### L'Shanah Tovah!

This is the month for new beginnings. It's a new beginning with new hopes, dreams and challenges. For our children, new classes, new books, new programs, new classmates and many new teachers on staff. And yes, the new wing of our synagogue building is complete with classrooms, an all purpose room, basketball court, library, stage, kitchen and a new School Office.

We are very excited about our new facility. Our new environment will help to give our children an opportunity to learn Judaism in an atmosphere that is safe, comfortable and stimulating. Our school has many strengths; among them a good curriculum and a caring, sensitive faculty and supportive staff and now a new space. With these outstanding resources we will continue our high quality of Jewish education and provide the best for our children!!

We look forward to a year that is exciting and enriching for your children and for you.

*I wish you all a year that is sweet, rich in learning, and filled with good health, happiness, and peace!*

### ♥♥♥♥♥ TORAH HEART ♥♥♥♥♥

As we begin our new year, 5766, we will explore our Jewish *hearts*. We will look at how our hearts are connected to Torah, Israel, the community, Congregation B'nai Tikvah and each other. By now, you should have received your 2005-2006 Religious School Calendar/Handbook and included in your packet was your *TORAH HEART*. Take some time to discuss the heart of your family and record your family's rules and commandments for the year ahead. This will be an opportunity for you and your children to talk about what is important and meaningful in the context of your Jewish lives. Fill out and decorate your *TORAH HEART* and return the completed project. All will be displayed on *Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>* at our big event celebrating the opening of the new wing. We appreciate your participation. *Heartfelt thanks!!* This year, our goal is to continue to participate in a *hearty* way. Our children will do mitzvot with sensitive *hearts*, we will pray to God with all our *heart*, and donate food for *hearty* meals for the less fortunate. Join us as we will warm our *hearts* with friendship and common purpose and encourage our students to make the world a better place to live.

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## PARENT RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 11

All are welcome, especially new families, to come together for an orientation to our Religious School program. Parent reception and orientation for our Kindergarten, First grade, Alef, Bet, Gimel, Dalet and Hei families will be held on the first day of school Sunday, September 11, at 9:00am or 10:40am for a brief reception, discussion of our school program and Junior Congregation, parent volunteer opportunities and exciting upcoming events. Parent reception and orientation of our Second grade families will be held on either, Tuesday, Sept. 13 or Wednesday, Sept. 14, 4:20-4:40pm.

### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REMINDERS:

**Sunday, September 11:** Parent Reception Day and First Day of School for grades K,1,3,4,5,6,7

**Tuesday, September 13 or Wednesday, September 14:** First day of Religious School and Parent Reception Day for Second Grade.

**Sunday, September 18:** First day of Chai School (special 2.5 hour session-9:00am-11:30am)

**Opening Day Celebration** for all students and parents. Special school session for all students K-12, (9:00am-11:30am). Join us for all the festivities and fun activities as we kick off the week long celebration of the opening of our new wing.

**Sunday, October 2:** Chai School special program with guest speaker, *Sarri Singer* from ONE FAMILY.

**Monday, October 3:** No Religious School, *Erev Rosh HaShanah*

**Tuesday, October 4 and Wednesday, October 5:** No Religious School, *Rosh HaShanah*

**Wednesday, October 12:** No Religious School, *Erev Yom Kippur*

**Thursday, October 13:** No Religious School, *Yom Kippur*

**Sunday, October 16:** First Grade PACT program: *Why Does It Always Rain on Sukkot*, 10am.

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# NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS *Phyllis Denenberg, Director*

I would like to introduce myself. My name is Phyllis Denenberg and I am the new Director of the JCC of North and South Brunswick Nursery School. I have taught Jewish preschool and religious school to children ages two through five for over 15 years. I was instrumental in the formation and start up of various local day camps and have directed as well.

Our goal here at the nursery school is for your children to learn to interact with their peers, gain self-confidence and independence and do so in a warm and comforting Jewish environment. We are also committed to preparing them for the school years ahead, laying a foundation and instilling in them a love of learning. The nursery school program provides an exciting and innovative curriculum that I am confident your children will enjoy. In addition to the excitement in the air as the new school year approaches, we also look forward to our new day camp opening in the summer of 2006!

This year we are instituting a new lunch program. Wednesday will be pizza day and Friday, bagel day. The challah delivery pro-

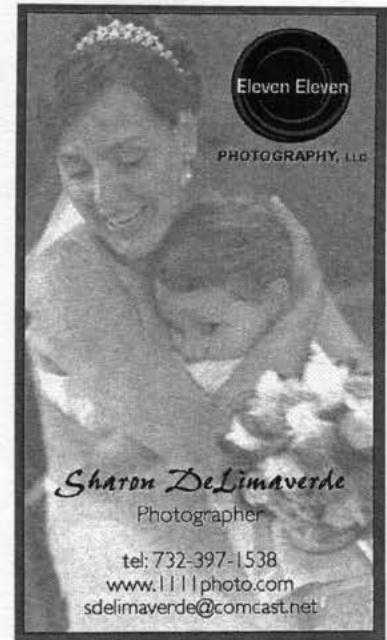
gram will continue as in the past years.

Our Parent Orientation evening is scheduled for Tuesday evening, September 6th at 7:30 pm so please mark your calendars now. You will have the opportunity to meet your child's teachers, hear about the upcoming school year and ask any questions you may have.

We are always looking for new families and children to join our school. If you have friends or relatives who are looking to send their children to an exceptional pre-school, the JCC of North and South Brunswick Nursery School is that place. Registration for the school is still underway and we do have some spots left so please encourage anyone who may be interested to stop by our school and see what we have to offer.

Please free to call me anytime at 732-297-0295, ext. 22. Or, if you'd rather, you can email me at [nursery@bnaitikvah.org](mailto:nursery@bnaitikvah.org). I look forward to getting to know your children and having them get to know me. It's going to be a great year!

*Phyllis Denenberg*



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# OPENING DAY CELEBRATION

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## CELEBRATION WEEK SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday 9/19:	<b>Youth Lounge Grand Opening</b> Games, Food, Fun & Friends! • 7:30 pm NEW Youth Lounge • Sponsored by USY/Kadima	
Tuesday 9/20:	<b>"Building a Connection"</b> Youth exchange program to Israel. Info about 2006 trip. 7 pm. New classroom wing. Sponsor: Youth Israeli Exchange Program	<b>BINGO</b> Fun, Prizes & Refreshments • Smoke Free 7:30 pm. New classroom wing. Sponsor: Sisterhood & Fifty Plus Club
Wednesday 9/21:	<b>Mitzvah Madness</b> Hands on projects for adults and kids. Come make a difference! 7 pm. New classroom wing. Sponsor: Social Action	<b>"Funny, That's a Shul?"</b> Jewish Architecture through the ages. Rabbi David Eligberg, Presenter 8 pm. Kiddush Room. Sponsor: Adult Education
Thursday 9/22:	<b>"Playing it Safe"</b> Techniques to stay sports-injury free Michael Frost, Presenter 7 pm. Multipurpose Room. Sponsor: BT Athletics	<b>"The Court Challenge"</b> Adults vs. Teens in Basketball Gary Waters, <i>Rutgers Head Coach Men's Basketball</i> , Guest. 8 pm. Multipurpose Room Sponsor: Men's Club
Friday 9/23:	<b>"HalleLuau" Shabbat Dinner</b> 6:30pm • Cost: \$6 Adults \$4 children 2-12 (check payable to Cong. B'nai Tikvah) <b>mandatory</b> RSVP by Sept.18th to Halleluau@bnaitikvah.org Sponsor: Religious Activities Committee (Evening services begin 8 pm)	
Saturday 9/24:	<b>Selichot</b> 9 pm Program • 11:30 pm Service • Sponsor: Religious Activities Committee <b>Weekly Services: Evening daily 7:30 pm • Thurs. 7:00 am • Sunday 9:00 am</b> <b>Questions? Synagogue Office: 732-297-0696 • www.BnaiTikvah.org</b>	



## B'NAI TIKVAH YOUTH

# USY

[usy@bnaitikvah.org](mailto:usy@bnaitikvah.org)

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

Welcome back North/South Brunswick USY! I hope those who went to encampment had a great time. Congratulations to our new board:

**President: Noah Levin**  
**Executive/Israel Awareness VP: Ilana Katronetsky**  
**Religious Education: VP Ben Erlich**  
**SA/TO VP: Jason Marx**  
**Membership/Programming VP: Seth Robey**  
**Communications VP: Meryl Surks**  
**Secretary: Alex Welsher**

It looks like it's going to be a great year. With everyone's help, we can become HaGalil's Chapter of the Year 2005-2006!! Our first event is Sunday, September 4th. We are having a water balloon toss at 10 Paul Avenue in the Brunswick Acres development. (That's my house.) Dressed to get wet and have fun.

**On Monday, September 19th during Spirit Celebration Week, join USY/Kadima from 7:30-9 pm for the opening of the Youth Lounge in the new wing of the synagogue.** We ask that parents of USYers join us for our Ma'ariv service and a brief introduction meeting.

*Can't wait to see you at our events!!*  
*Meryl Surks*  
*Communications VP 05-06*

## B'NAI TIKVAH ISRAEL YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM



Learn about the 2006 TEEN TRIP TO ISRAEL at the new wing opening celebration on Tuesday evening, September 20<sup>th</sup>. 7:30 after minyan

- View a slide show of last year's trip
- Talk to past participants
- Learn about the exciting itinerary

This mission is open to ALL members' teens ages 15 -18. Questions? Or can't make the meeting? Contact Alan Kane 732-418-1913, [alan.kane@bnaitikvah.org](mailto:alan.kane@bnaitikvah.org)

## B'NAI TIKVAH COMMUNITY

### GET SQUEEZED IN Our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Bowling

We are limited this year to only 10 teams but that doesn't mean we are limited to 20 couples. If you want to have a fun night out, getting to know your fellow congregants, sign up anyway and we'll work out something to squeeze you in.

*The schedule for this year is:*  
**Oct. 22 & 29, Nov. 26, Jan. 28, Feb. 25,**  
**Mar. 25, Apr. 22, & 29, May 27**

If you've never bowled before, even better. Some of our long-time players are getting tired of being made fun of. Sign-up at [bnaitikvah.org/bowling.html](http://bnaitikvah.org/bowling.html) or contact Gary Bergman, 732-246-7285 - [Bowling@Bnaitikvah.org](mailto:Bowling@Bnaitikvah.org)

# 50plus

### NEXT MEETING TUESDAY SEPT. 27TH

The Fifty Plus group will meet on Tuesday, September 27, 2005, at 1 PM. in the social hall of the Synagogue. Our program, "REMEMBER WHEN.....!" will feature Barbara Roth and Harold Levanthal who will re-create the radio show of the 1940's entitled "The Bickersonns". Join us for an afternoon of nostalgia. All members, friends, and guests are welcome. Come and hear about our future plans. Refreshments will be served. For further information call Doris @609-860-1498 or Madeline @ 732-297-4240

### JASON SEIDMAN'S MITZVAH PROJECT

Hi, my Bar Mitzvah is Dec 17<sup>th</sup>, and for my mitzvah project I have chosen to collect children's music for the Robert Wood Johnson Children's Hospital. Can you please help me out? You can leave donations of cassettes, CD's or DVD's (new or used) at the synagogue. Please identify them clearly for "Jason Seidman".

If you have any questions you can contact me at 732-297-6950 or [Jason92@optonline.net](mailto:Jason92@optonline.net).

*Thank you!*  
*Jason Seidman*

# B'NAI TIKVAH COMMUNITY

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You can add to your library and support the synagogue. Purchases can be made all day, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. The schedule of authors is as follows:

**Adult Session**

- 11:00 am: Dr. Ludwig Geismar, *In the Shadow of the Holocaust*
- 11:30 am: Ilse Loeb, *Henry Ricklis Holocaust Memorial Committee*
- 12:00 pm: Shirley Russak Wachtel, *The Story of Blima: A Holocaust Survivor*
- 12:30 pm: Rabbi Ben Levy, *A Faithful Heart*
- 1:00 pm: Nan Meyer, *The Inter-Faith Family Sedar Book*
- 1:30 pm: Dr. Debra Smith, *Every Tallit Tells a Tale*
- 2:00 pm: Rosalind Reisner, *Jewish American Literature by Genre*

**Concurrent Children's Session**

- 1:00 pm: Shirley Russak Wachtel, *The Eight Days of Hanukkah*
- 2:00 pm: Dr. Shelley Kapnek Rosenberg, *Raising a Mensch*
- 2:30 pm: Dr. Debbie Miller, *Only Nine Chairs*



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# B'NAI TIKVAH COMMUNITY

## Sisterhood

I am honored to be president of our sisterhood for a second term and I would like to take this opportunity to extend an invitation to all of the women of B'nai Tikvah who have not yet done so to JOIN SISTERHOOD.

Sisterhood has been a great source of personal enrichment for me. I have made some wonderful friends and met others whom I consider to be potential friends. We've danced together and prayed together. We've stitched together and kvetched together. I've played with clay, painted a challah cover and did art work for an invitation. (My father would be proud to see my art education being put to use.) I've seen movies I had never heard of and sang songs containing words I did not know.

The goal of Sisterhood is to strengthen Conservative Judaism in the home, the synagogue and the community. Its members help encourage and enrich religious observance. We conduct a Sisterhood-led Shabbat (hopefully this year it will be snow-free!). We help to beautify the synagogue: watch for the grand opening of our new Judaica Shop in September. We provide support for the Jewish Theological Seminary through Torah Fund projects, and we serve the needs of the synagogue through a variety of educational, cultural and social programs.

We're women, so of course we all have active busy lives with little time for ourselves, but I say, even if you're already active within the Synagogue JOIN SISTERHOOD. Even if you're active in the National Women's League, Deborah or Hadassah JOIN SISTERHOOD. Even if you spend your day running a business, shuttling to little league or soccer, car-pooling to b'nai Mitzvah lessons, sitting in traffic commuting, rushing to music lessons or simply trying to find the time to read a book – JOIN SISTERHOOD.

It's very easy to do. Simply return the form you will be receiving from the membership committee along with a check for dues – that's it; then join us in November for our paid-up membership celebration dinner, which is always a wonderful evening catered by our own Classical Caterers. And once a month you can drop in on a Sunday morning for a bagel, lox and coffee breakfast; then perhaps stay and check out the special scheduled program.

This past year we watched and discussed an Israeli film, designed our own challah covers, listened to a speaker explain the ramifications of ADD within the family, adopted a family in need living in Israel, sent toiletries to Jewish soldiers serving in Iraq, and had a fabulously successful mitzvah project donating blankets, toys, stuffed animals and pre-paid phone cards to women and their children seeking safety in local shelters. We listened and sang along to Yiddish music and reminisced about our heritage through personal anecdotes. We got dressed up for a wonderful evening of dinner and a fashion show. We made it easy to fulfill the mitzvah of Purim by providing beautiful baskets to send to your friends, family and neighbors. We learned how to knit and how to crochet.

We saved you a trip to the store by having wine and flowers available for sale right here in the synagogue for Thanksgiving and Passover.

What can we look forward to this year? I want to start a women's study group, in connection with Rosh Chodesh and have spoken to Rabbi Eligberg about facilitating this program and happily, he has agreed. We hope to reschedule a trip to NYC to visit the Jewish Theological Seminary. We plan to have more speakers, perform more tzedaka, do more crafts, eat more food, make more friends, learn more, play more, in short – more Sisterhood!

If you are not already a member, I urge you to consider joining. If you are a member, consider becoming more active and invite a friend to JOIN SISTERHOOD!

*Thank you,  
Lynn Biderman*

### SEPTEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Sisterhood's Opening General Meeting - Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, at 10 am.** Sisterhood opens its new year of general meetings and special study sessions with an event you will not want to miss. Join us for a complimentary bagel breakfast followed by a presentation and discussion with Holocaust survivor Eva (Safier) Wiener, one of the youngest passengers on the ship, St. Louis, on its famous Atlantic crossing in 1939. This headline-making trip was the subject of the book and movie (released in 1977) "Voyage of the Damned."

**Grand Opening of the Judaica Gift Shop.** Be sure to visit the new gift shop on Sunday, September 18, from 9:30 to 11:30 am to view the display of beautiful, unique gift items. The shop also will be open during the Spirit Week celebrations Monday through Thursday evening, 7:30 to 9:30 pm.

**SISTERHOOD SPIRIT WEEK EVENT!**  
**Play Bingo for Prizes--on Tuesday, September 20--All Are Welcome** to join us at 7:30 pm for bingo, prizes, and refreshments.

**Order Flowers for the High Holidays.** The deadline to order white or fall floral High Holiday flowers is September 26. Centerpieces cost \$25. Make checks payable to Sisterhood B'nai Tikvah. Contact Fern Katronetsky at 732-422-4321 for more information.

**School's Open.** The social action committee is seeking school supplies for children in need. Please bring your donations to the synagogue office by Sunday, September 11.

**Celebrating a Birthday, New Baby, Anniversary, Wedding, or any other special occasion?** Why not send a Leagram. Cost: 1 for \$3 or 2 for \$5. Please contact Serena Blackin at 732-390-9515, or e-mail at leagrams@bnaitikvah.org

# B'NAI TIKVAH COMMUNITY

## MEN'S CLUB

MEN'S CLUB HOSTS

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THURSDAY SEPT. 22



The Men's Club program during "Spirit Week" (opening week-long celebration for the new wing) will be taking place on Thursday evening, September 22, 2005 at 8pm promptly on the Multi-purpose Room (gym) floor.

Our Special Guest will be Rutgers University's Scarlet Knights Head Men's Basketball Coach Gary Waters. Coach Waters has accepted our invitation, and as of today, it is his intention to bring members of his coaching staff and possibly some of his player candidates with him. (The team will not be finalized at that date.)

A complete biography of Coach Waters is available at [scarletknights.com](http://scarletknights.com). Men's Club reserves the right to add additional celebrities to our fun-filled evening.

Our present plans call for some friendly "3 on 3" games between our adult members and our teenage members, foul shooting contests, 3 point shooting contests, and some surprises....some big surprises.

Mark the date and time on your calendars. You will be hearing more about this event and other related "spirit events" in the very near future.

If you have any questions, please e-mail them to me at [EdBirch51@comcast.net](mailto:EdBirch51@comcast.net).



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Next Meeting Thursday Sept 6th 7:30 following Minyan

**THANK YOU** to the ever reliable and dedicated Amy Smith who purchased school supplies and backpacks on behalf of Bnai Tikvah and Social Action for needy New Brunswick children.

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SEPTEMBER?

*Please drop off hotel/trial size toiletries in the office up until Sept 21<sup>st</sup> to contribute to our Ronald Mc Donald House donations.*

**MITZVAH MADNESS SEPT 21:** Get a jump start on your family's mitzvah projects! Social Action invites you to Mitzvah Madness on Wednesday evening, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM. Bring the kids and create Welcome Packages for families at the new Ronald Mc Donald house in New Brunswick.

I am looking forward to a wonderful year working with the Social Action committee and all congregants on attending to the value of Gemilut Chasadim. When we commit ourselves to perform acts of loving kindness, we pass this value on to our children.

In July I called Kathy Dennis, house manger of the newly opened **Ronald Mc Donald House** in New Brunswick, to inquire about volunteer opportunities for Bnai Tikvah. Ronald Mc Donald House temporarily houses families with seriously ill children in area hospitals. These families live a distance from our area and would otherwise be saddled with costly hotel bills in order to be near their sick children.

Kathy invited me to tour the house and have a chat. My kids, Gabe, 8, Hannah, 5, and I visited with Kathy for an hour. We learned that all the appliances were donated, almost all the furniture was donated, and all the rooms were decorated by volunteers. When my son asked to see the 6 guest rooms, Kathy told him that we couldn't because they were all filled. This was "unfortunate", my son replied.

We learned about the variety of volunteer opportunities available and I left knowing that we as a family and we as a congregation could do much in the way of performing mitzvot for this wonderful organization.

The social action committee and I look forward to sharing these volunteer opportunities and others with you. The first meeting of the year will be on Thursday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> following minyan. All are welcome. Please come visit Social Action's information table on Sunday morning Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> and discover how you can unwrap your giving spirit in 5766.

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## CONTRIBUTIONS

### In Honor of the Class of 2005

Renee & Steven Levin have made a donation to our USY/Kadima Fund in honor of Rebecca Binder, Steven Birch, Rebecca Eisenberg, Marc Katronetsky, Rebecca Safeer, Dina Sharon, Brian Binder, and Ilana Katronetsky.

Laurie & Frank Waltzer have made a donation to our Passport to Israel Fund, USY Kadima Fund & Religious School Education Fund in honor of Joshua Berger, Brian Binder, Jennifer Davis, Daniel Goldstein, Ilana Katronetsky, Jenny Katz, Matthew Katz, Noah Levin, Dan Rekant, Allison Shultz, Meryl Surks, Brett Angrist, Samantha Berk, Aaron Bierstein, Orran Bierstein, Rebecca Binder, Steven Birch, Adam Brooks, Justin Chinich, Rebecca Eisenberg, Harris Fliegelman, Adam Frumkin, Cody Goldstein, Evan Jacobs, Marc Katronetsky, Melissa Kaye, Brett Keller, Samantha Kopelow, Justin Korn, April Levine, Kyle Morse, Julie Rekant, Michael Rogove, Heather Rosen, Michael Rosen, Leah Runyon, Rebecca Safeer, Brian Saffer, Dina Sharon, Zacary Sherman, Jessica Shultz, Ithan Sokol, Andrew Sudran, Leah Suttner, Daniel Waltzer, Benjamin Woller, Matthew Yelo, Michael Zadjura, Amy Zell and Amanda Zweig.

Ilene and Michael Yelo have made a donation to our Religious School Fund in honor of Samantha Berk, Cody Goldstein, Marc Katronetsky and Daniel Waltzer.

### Social Action Food of the Month:

The *Food of the Month* program will continue with collection of specific food items for our local food banks and shelters. When shopping for your family, please think of those less fortunate by purchasing one of the following:

**September:** Juice boxes, cookies, crackers, lunch snacks.

**October:** Cranberry sauce, stuffing mixes, turkey gravy or anything else that will help make a Thanksgiving meal

**Ongoing... Mitzvah Crib:** We continue to welcome donations of new baby items such as diapers, wipes, bottles, toys and clothes which will be distributed to needy families in the area.

## TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Are you a resident of Middlesex County and interested in attending Shabbat services on Friday or Saturday?

Are you homebound, disabled or elderly?

Do you know that transportation is available to you once a month to attend services?

**For more information contact:**  
**Jewish and Family Vocational Service**  
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## CONTRIBUTIONS May 16 through August 1, 2005

**Anonymous donation** of Shavuot Bima Flower Arrangements in loving memory of Suse Rosenstock

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 Sandy and Yitzhak Sharon, in honor of their daughter, Dinah, getting selected to the Wizard of Oz cast  
 Rebecca Glass and Derek Fields, in honor of the birth of Refael Shai  
 Sandy and Yitzhak Sharon, in honor of their daughter Dina reading Torah on July 23, 2005  
**Expansion Fund:**  
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 Helene and Gary Tinkel, in honor of Irene Buchbinder's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday  
 Audrey and Peter Kuker, in honor of the Chai Members Club  
 Joan and Morey Shames, in memory of Miriam Shames, be-

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loved mother and grandmother

Phyllis and Barry Safeer, in honor of the 95<sup>th</sup> birthday of Irene Buchbinder

Andra Greenwald, in memory of Jason Surks

Ian Schwartz, in memory of Jason Surks

### Youth Fund:

Lynn and Arthur Biderman, in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Becca Binder

Sylvia and Erwin Lewis, in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Becca Binder

Sheila and Lou Friedlander, in memory of Elaine Feder

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The Ehrlich family, in honor of the High School Graduation of Matthew Biderman

The Ehrlich family, in honor of the High School Graduation of Amanda Dillman

The Ehrlich family, in honor of the High School Graduation of Molly Herman

The Ehrlich family, in honor of the High School Graduation of Leah Behar

The Ehrlich family, wishing Linda Goldstein speedy recovery

The Ehrlich family, in honor of the College Graduation of Stacy Kasdin

### Suse Rosenstock Memorial Fund:

### Leon Bible Fund:

### Passport to Israel Fund:

Nancy and Elliott Danto, in honor of Rebecca Binder's Bat Mitzvah

Nancy and Elliott Danto, in honor of Jordana Koffler's graduation from college

Nancy and Elliott Danto, wishing Phyllis Edley complete and speedy recovery

Nancy and Elliott Danto, in honor of the wedding of Robert White

Nancy and Elliott Danto, in honor of Elyse Ross' graduation from High School

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Sandy and Mark Kopelow, in honor of Samantha Kopelow's Bat Mitzvah  
Ruth Anne Koenick, Paul and Mollie Her-  
man, in honor of the 95<sup>th</sup> birthday of Irene Buchbinder

Ellie and Bill Greenberg, in honor of the 95<sup>th</sup> birthday of Irene Buchbinder

The Abschutz family, in memory of Yvette Abschutz

The Abschutz family, in memory of William & Sylvia Koshner

### Family Shabbat Fund:

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Allen, Ilene, Joshua and Stacie Karp, in memory of Leon Karp

### Son's of Tikvah Fund:

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Andy and Adrienne Ross, in honor of Joe and Barbara Plotnick becoming 1<sup>st</sup> time grandparents

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Susan, Andy and Daniel Shapiro, in honor of Harris Fliegelman's graduation

Carol and Mark Winter, in honor of the marriage of Avi Olitzky and Sarah Littman

The Kudwitt Family, in honor of Sherry Levitt, on the occasion of Harrison completing Hebrew for Second grade

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Graduation

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Carol and Mark Winter, wishing Phyllis Edley complete and speedy recovery

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Rebecca, Alan, Avi and Shayna Denlow, in honor of Rebecca Binder's Bat Mitzvah. Mazel Tov!

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### Torah Restoration Fund:

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Adrienne Lacher, wishing Herry Lacher speedy recovery

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