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THINGS TO DO

Nursery School & Camp Open House

Sunday, March 2, 10:00 AM

Installation of Rabbi Wolkoff

Sunday, March 2, 7:00 PM

Presentation by

Howard Waksman MD

Sunday, March 9, 10:00 AM

Jews for Jesus Presentation

Sunday, March 9, 10:30 AM

People of the Book at Barnes & Noble

Thursday, March 13, 8:00 PM

Adult Purim Party

Saturday, March 22, 8:30 PM

Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 23, 11:00 AM

Passover Wine Sale

Sunday, March 23, 11:00 AM

Rabbi's Classes & Lectures

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How Many Jews Does It Take to Install a Rabbi ?



To find out, come to the Installation of;

Rabbi Robert L. Wolkoff

Sunday Evening, March 2nd, 2008, 7:00PM at

Congregation B'nai Tikvah

Dessert and Refreshments to follow

We are pleased to formally install Rabbi Wolkoff as our Spiritual Leader, in a ceremony to be conducted on Sunday evening, March 2nd.

We have invited Rabbi Henry Balsler (recently of Winnipeg, Ontario and currently of Boca Raton, Fla) to lead the convocation ceremony, in Rabbi Wolkoff's honor.

PURIM 2008

There are two chances to fulfill the Mitzvah of hearing the reading of



Megillat Esther!

Come in costume!
(or not, but still come)

Thursday evening, March 20th

Pizza supper from 6:00 to 6:30 pm
Then the whole Megillah at 6:30 pm

and

Friday morning, March 21

Services begin at 9:00 am

Poile Zedek Cemetery Desecration Update

The four juveniles accused of knocking over nearly 500 headstones at Poile Zedek cemetery have pleaded guilty to all charges, including desecration, criminal mischief and trespassing, Middlesex County Prosecutor Bruce Kaplan announced.

According to Mr. Kaplan, while it was plain that the juveniles intended to cause destruction, that intent appears without a religious hate component, a conclusion also supported by witness statements. Rather, it appears that the vandalism of Poile Zedek cemetery was the product of alcohol, teenage boredom and infantile enjoyment in the discovery that the cemetery's headstones could be tipped over.

With damages estimated at upwards of a staggering \$500,000, we have only just begun to respond and we need your continued support.

Donations for the repair and restoration of the cemetery can be sent to the Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County, please mark for "Cemetery Restoration Fund" on the donation. 100% of your donation will be directed toward this fund.

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Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County
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WORDS OF THE RABBI Rabbi Robert Wolkoff

THE MESSAGE OF PURIM

In the Talmud is an odd law: If you have read the Megillah of Esther backwards, you have not fulfilled your obligation (Megillah 17a). Now, where in the world would anyone get the idea that you *could* fulfill your obligation by reading the book backwards? Who reads books backwards?

One practical answer is that on Purim, you are supposed to get so drunk that you can't tell the difference between the statement "Blessed be Mordechai" and the statement "Cursed be Haman." [Gematria lovers please note: in Hebrew, those two phrases have the same numerical value! So in some fundamental sense, there *is* no difference between them!]. So if you're so drunk you can't tell that difference, you're probably so drunk that you can't tell whether you're coming or going, which end is up, or whether Hebrew is read from right to left or left to right! So the Rabbis wanted to warn you to be careful!

Another answer, more historically grounded, is that the Megillah held a special fascination for our rabbinic teachers since the name of G-d does not appear in it. And since, to our Rabbis, "there is no place that is free of G-d's presence," G-d's name had to be hidden in there somewhere. Reading the text backwards could perhaps reveal the name of G-d in a place where it otherwise seems absent. In fact, we do know that the text of the Megillah, read backwards, was used for magical purposes.

Yet another answer, of a more philosophical bent, is that the major theme of the Megillah is that the world of politics is a castle built in the air, a dream palace that only offers the *illusion* of safety and certainty. In the Book of Esther, it appears that Haman (may his name be blotted out) will win, and Mordechai will lose. Their respective fates are reversed, and Haman (*yemach shmo*) is killed on the very gallows he had erected for Mordechai. Similarly, the enemies of the Jews had expected to be able to murder the Jews with impunity. In fact, though, the tables are reversed and, as the text points out explicitly, the Jews do to them what they had thought to do to the Jews.

A final suggestion, made first by Rabbi Yitzchak of Volozhin: "Reading the text backwards" means reading the text as if it only refers to a time in the past, thereby implying that the text lacks contemporary relevance. Anyone who thinks the

ancient text has no bearing on today's situation has not fulfilled his obligation to hear every word of the Megillah. Just ask the politicians, who see their fortunes changing with every exit poll. Just ask the countries of the Middle East, whose stars rise and fall with dizzying speed. And just ask our Jewish leaders, who (legitimately) have trouble deciding whether we live in the best of times or the worst of times.

Fulfilling our obligation to hear the Megillah means, according to this interpretation, to have the courage to address the inherent uncertainties of the political life. We must recognize that, over and above having good connections in Washington and powerful lobbies to protect our interest, we must have solidarity, fidelity and faith.

That is the message of Purim. Let us learn it, and enjoy our holiday to the fullest.

Rabbi Robert Wolkoff



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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	7:30 AM Shahareet	7:30 PM	Mincha/Maariv
Friday		8:00 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat
			Mincha/MaarivHavdallah
Saturday	9:30 AM Shabbat	March 1	5:45 pm
		March 8	5:45 pm
		March 15	7:00 pm
		March 22	7:00 pm
		March 29	7:15 pm

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Rabbi's Courses and Lectures

Courses:

- Biblical Ecology 8 PM, Wed.
March 5 April 2 May 7
- Bible Interpretation 8 PM, Wed.
March 26 April 16 May 14
- Prayer 11 AM, Sunday
March 16 April 6 May 4
- Jewish Parenting 9 AM, Wed.
(or: How to make your kid a mensch)
March 12 April 9 May 14

Lectures:

- Mar. 8: Sex in the Zohar or Biblical Ecology
(note: held at Beth Ohr, Old Bridge)
- Mar. 13: Barnes and Noble book review
- Apr. 9: Presentation of Passover Seder
Commentaries
- May TBA: Judaism A-Z at congregants' home
- June 8: Tikkun Lel Shavuot

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An extra special sense of pride existed among many Jews in the world during the summer of 1967. The Six Day War was a huge source of pride which galvanized the American Jewish population of my generation. Our parents had similar, emotional Jewish experiences before this, including the establishment of the State of Israel, just nineteen years earlier. For kids like me, our conscious knowledge of Israel, Judaism and the world was just beginning. I am particularly thankful to my parents who made decisions, financial sacrifices, that later ensured that my three siblings and I would be endowed with a healthy connection to our heritage.

Unlike our parent's generation, we as parents had the opportunity to go to sleep away camp, just as our children do today. It is my opinion that our experiences are more similar to our children's than our parents. Kids today have more organized activities than we did; but like our children, we attended Hebrew School at Conservative or Reform synagogues, we played organized little league baseball and soccer and took dance and gymnastic lessons.

At the same time, I am not naïve and recognize that in this communication age, there are more opportunities for our children to be confronted by additional complexities and ambiguities in their lives. This is probably why our generation "plans" more of our children's activities than our parents needed to. Our Jewish Community, The Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County recognizes this need. Experts say, and I'm inclined to agree, that Jewish summer camp is an extremely successful method of developing a positive Jewish identity in young people and will help them remain connected and true to our ambitions and aspirations as a people.

I really do not think that I have to sell you on the value of summer camp.

Way back in the summer of 1967, I followed my older brother and cousins to Camp Massad in the Pocono Mountains. Teenagers have different interests. Some are more social and others are more concerned with sports. A kosher Zionist camp was a natural for our family. We attended day school, always celebrated

Shabbat and books and magazines about Israel were all over the house. Camp Massad was a natural extension of our lives. And to be completely honest with you, accomplishment in sports is what meant the most to me. Receiving the "Sports" award my two years there was my greatest accomplishment. Even with my singular interest, I experienced the complete camp experience of friendships, color war, and camp reunions.

Today life is more complex, Jewish identity is more dissipated. The pride we once felt so naturally comes with many more challenges for our children. Just as parents sacrificed for us, please consider a fulfilling summer of Jewish Camping for your children.

There are so many camps to choose from, catering to a broad spectrum of Jewish interest and religious practice. I have listed three websites that represent a variety of interests;

<http://www.campgalil.org/>

info@ramahberkshires.org

<http://njycamps.org/>

I would love to continue this conversation with you in person and I would be glad to refer you to other congregants who have experienced the joy of Jewish camping.

With joy,

Cantor Bruce Rockman

The Dave and Ceil Pavlovsky Endowment Fund for Jewish Education of the Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County, in partnership with the Foundation for Jewish Camping, is thrilled to announce that 50 grants of \$1,000 each are available to first-time overnight campers residing in Middlesex County.

Our goal is to make it possible for new campers to take advantage of the diverse, growth-enhancing, fun and friendship-building Jewish camping opportunities!

Funding is available to any Jewish child who is ready for an overnight camping experience, and who lacks a concentrated exposure to both Jewish education and Jewish overnight camp. This is not a financial needs-based grant.

For more information contact Mindy Paris-Thurer or call the Federation at (732) 432-7711

HAKOL

The Newsletter of
Congregation B'nai Tikvah
JCC of North & South Brunswick
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MENTIONING MITZVOT

B'NAI TIKVAH STUDENTS HELP OUT

On behalf of the Jewish Family Service (JFS) of New Orleans, I would like to thank the students of the B'nai Tikvah religious school for participating in a special Passover mitzvah project.

For 23 years, the Greater New Orleans Jewish community has reached out to help those in need to celebrate Pesach. JFS, along with synagogues, Hebrew Schools, Jewish institutions and neighbors, fund raise, purchase food and collect and fill baskets with kosher food and ritual items. Volunteers then deliver the food baskets.

Before Katrina, Passover Food Baskets were sent to refugees from the former Soviet Union, retirees, low income Jewish elderly, nursing home residents, homebound, disabled and those under financial hardship. Since Katrina, there are more people that need help due to loss of homes, businesses etc. There are still people who are just now returning from wherever they evacuated to and are trying to rebuild their lives.

Included in the food basket are seder plate items, a full meal, candlesticks and haggadahs. Additionally kiddush cups, afikomen covers, cards, seder plates and matzo covers are made by Hebrew schools which add a special, personal and warm feeling to the baskets.

My cousin, a social worker for JFS, asked if B'nai Tikvah students would make the matzoh covers. Lead by our own very creative Religious School Director, Ann Kanarek, the students made over 100 beautiful covers, which were very generously purchased from Tzedakah funds. I was amazed by all of the different ideas that the students had and I know that they will bring joy to the receivers. When these students sit down to their seder meals, I hope they will be thinking of the wonderful mitzvah that they performed for someone in need.

Jodi Marcou



Bonnie Kudwitt continues to list and sell items on eBay.

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From The Webmaster

Getting our word out

Thanks to the outpouring of suggestions from B'nai Tikvah's new Marketing Committee, our website now sports a new facelift. Some cleaner fonts and new titles on the main index make the navigation of our abundant content a bit easier.

In addition to its "look", several new video clips were added, where appropriate, to enhance the entertainment value of our pages. Thanks to the encouragement of Rabbi Wolkoff, we will soon have several clips of his many classes and lectures posted as well.

Our congregant, Rob Blackin, has suggested a way to have the rabbi's lectures go out live on the internet via BlogTalkRadio.com where they can also be later downloaded directly to your iPod from links on our website.

Gary Bergman
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I sped up my keyboard and I can't keep up with it!

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ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW

Once on a Saturday Night

By: Aaron Rosloff

Purim at our friends house is an annual ritual in which our host dresses as King Achashverus, his wife as Queen Esther, and the guests come in any kind of costume, or not. The food and desserts were a great array of main dishes, side dishes and desserts that would do credit to any Viennese table at an opulent wedding or Bar Mitzvah reception. A shining example of what can be done even with no meat or poultry dishes. The excellence of the cooking and presentation could get your mouth watering even if you had just come from a hearty dinner.

The entertainment was provided by the guests, who were assigned various sections of the Megillah with the understanding that they could read their part in English or Hebrew, and interpret it by commentary or acting out the various parts in comic or dramatic ways. And acting out is what they did. A few couples took opposing parts with their own dialogue and at least one man played three parts by changing hats. It was fun.

The closing section was assigned to me, but unfortunately I could find no humor in it. Although, the crowd responded to the name of Haman with grogging and foot stomping, on reading the research done by my Rabbi friend, I could only find that the King was a besotted fool, Vashti an innocent victim, Haman a ruthless politician, Mordechai an influential political "fixer" and Esther, a pawn who could have lost her head for her efforts.

History repeats itself time and time again. The venue is different, but the "fixers" are still there in Washington and Haman is back in Persia.

Am I wrong? Tell me what you think.



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Allison Nagelberg, VP Membership

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On the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Sarah

Scott and Stacy Lewkowitz

On the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Dana

Ann and Jack Kanarek

On the birth of their grandson,

Samuel Benjamin Henry Kanarek

Elliot and Nancy Danto

On the birth of their grandson Drew Aaron Cohen

Heartfelt Condolences To:

Joel and Joyce Gerbman and Family

On the passing of Joel's brother, Allen

BARNES & NOBLE.....AND BEYOND!

In February, we had a tremendous day at Barnes and Noble on Route 1 South in North Brunswick, including: an all-day bookfair to raise money for our nursery school, the JCC of North and South Brunswick; bookmark making with the nursery school; and a very special lecture/discussion with Rabbi Wolkoff on Spiritual Parenting.

In March, we will continue this Barnes and Noble lecture/discussion series. Please join us on Thursday, March 13, 2008 at 8:00 p.m. for a presentation on: **People of the Book**, by Geraldine Brooks. This novel is a fascinating story of the five century journey of a rare illuminated manuscript from Spain to Sarajevo, Venice to Vienna. Don't miss out on this very special event; and don't forget to bring your friends to meet our wonderful B'nai Tikvah community.


In addition, we are planning to hold several more parlor meetings at member homes in the coming months in order to get better acquainted with each other, and to introduce new people to our Congregation B'nai Tikvah family. If you would like to host, or attend, one of these meetings, please let me know.

Allison Nagelberg


Membership VP

Membership@BnaiTikvah.org


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Eliza Weinreb, Mar. 1
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If you can identify any qualified families, please direct them to;

Carolyn Tallman at 732-432-7711, ext. 20 or ctallman@jf-gmc.org.

The application deadline is March 15, 2008.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- I. Children or teens up to age 21 may apply.
- II. The applicant must attend a special needs school and camp.
- III. Families with a gross annual income of up to \$149,000 are eligible for aid.
- IV. If a family received a scholarship in previous years, they do not automatically qualify every year and the funding may vary based on the number of requests received.
- V. Single parents and those families with more than one special needs child will receive special consideration.

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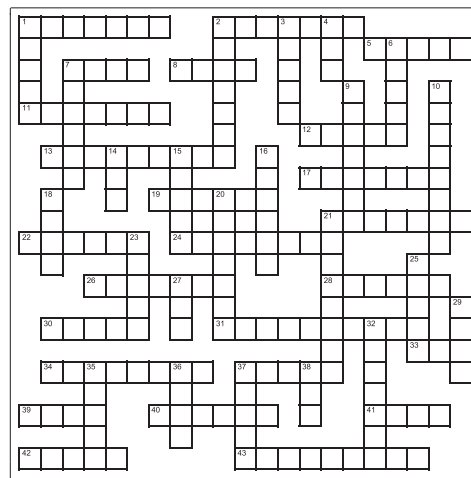
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ACROSS:

- 1 *Boker Tov*: good
- 2 Wedding canopy
- 5 *Shalom*
- 7 First king of Israel
- 8 *Eitz chaim*: ___ of life
- 11 *Purim* city
- 12 Songwriter, Bob
- 13 Larry Adler's instrument
- 17 Barbara of TV fame
- 19 Queen preceding Esther
- 21 Alan Greenspan, former chairman of ___ Reserve
- 22 Philip Roth's occupation
- 24 Leonard Bernstein's occupation
- 26 *Degania Alef* was Israel's first one
- 28 *Purim* queen
- 30 Eye-patch general
- 31 *Grogger*: a *Purim* one
- 33 Chaim Potok: *The Gift of Asher* ___
- 34 ___ of Esther is read on *Purim*
- 37 *Purim* villain
- 39 Golden one was built in desert
- 40 Prayer shawl



- 41 Ruth was of this country
- 42 David's father
- 43 *Purim* king
- 7 *Chag* festive meal
- 9 Lake Kinneret: Sea of ___
- 10 Women's Zionist Organization
- 14 Comedian, Brooks
- 15 ___ Bashevis Singer
- 16 Sci-Fi writer, Isaac
- 18 Israeli flag colour
- 20 Grace after meals: *Birkat* ___
- 21 Journalist/author, Thomas ___
- 23 Assassinated Israeli PM
- 25 Daniel ___: journalist murdered in Pakistan
- 27 Israeli gun
- 29 Beverly Sills a famous one
- 32 Lively music began in Eastern European *shtetls*
- 35 *Mishloach manot*: *Purim* ___
- 36 *Purim* month
- 37 Northern Israel seaport
- 38 *Yom Kippur*: Days of ___

DOWN:

- 1 Children wear them on *Purim*
- 2 Roman Abramovich owns this British soccer club
- 3 *Hamantashen* seed filling
- 4 *Torah* cupboard
- 6 *Matzah* is ___ during Passover

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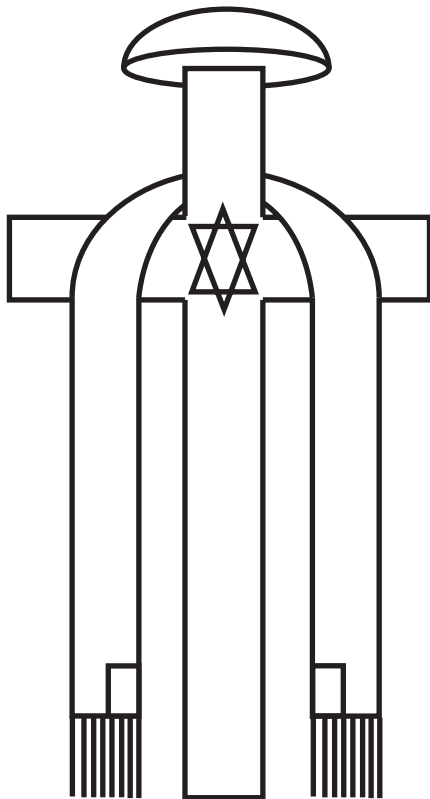
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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REPORTS Ann Kanarek, Director

Holidays are Fun!!

Jewish holidays are like raisins in a challah or chocolate chips in a cookie; something extra sweet to make the rest of the year taste better. Our Jewish holidays are special and engaging and spread out in such a way that it is neatly spaced throughout the year. Our calendar provides us with something to look forward to practically every month. Granted, some holidays tend to be more exciting and fun than others.

Purim, on the 14th day of Adar II (this year, Friday, March 21) is one such holiday! We all know the story - that of a brave and beautiful Jewish woman, Esther, who with her devout uncle Mordechai, saved the Jewish people from being killed by a cruel anti-Jewish villain, Haman. Traditionally, when we hear Haman's name we make a lot of noise. No other holiday is as joyful, rowdy or fun! We parade in costumes, enjoy parties and Purim shpiels. From the youngest to the oldest congregant, Purim has something for everyone.

Like all other Jewish holidays, we are not only commanded to celebrate, we are also commanded to do Mitzvot, give Tzedakah and do gemilut chasadim-acts of kindness. Purim's messages are simple:

No Jew is free from the obligation to aid fellow Jews, no matter what the crisis.

Purim stresses the idea of giving Tzedakah

Purim offers us a release from tension and an opportunity to put things in perspective and to maintain a sense of balance.

Purim is definitely not a holiday just for children. It is for all of us!!

CHAG SAMEACH TO ALL OUR FAMILIES!!

PASSOVER CANDY SALE

Again, this year BARTONS CHOCOLATES for Passover is available and on sale through the Religious School. Check our web site and your children's book bag for a candy form. Our sale is going on now through MARCH 19. Checks can be made to B'nai Tikvah Religious School (Please note that we do not encourage children to go door-to-door selling candy, although they can ask family and family friends to support us). The proceeds are used by the religious school for ongoing enrichment activities and programs.

ON BEHALF OF OUR CHILDREN WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REGISTRATION

A LOOK AHEAD

By now, all school families should have received school registration forms and materials. Please fill out

and return the forms as soon as possible. EARLY-BIRD REGISTRATION deadline is MARCH 14.

Our classes will fill up quickly and in the effort to keep the class sizes equal, registration is taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Thank you for your cooperation.

ATTENTION PARENTS OF SECOND GRADERS AND THIRD GRADERS (ALEF)

For the 2008-2009 academic year -- Alef (third grade) and Bet (fourth grade) students will meet:

Sunday (all morning), 9:00 am-12:05 pm AND
Wednesday, 4:00 pm-6:00 pm

ATTENTION PARENTS OF K-2 STUDENTS

If you have a child that is between the ages of 4 and 7 years old who is not yet registered in our Religious School, consider joining our religious school program. It offers activities that develops a child's Jewish identity and stimulates their Jewish involvement through music, art, worship and storytelling. We make the most of the hours that your child is with us. The children participate in extensive enrichment programs throughout the year as they get acquainted and become part of our religious school life. Many exciting events are already planned for the upcoming 2008-2009 school year.

Please call the School Office (732-297-0295) if you would like an application to enroll your child in our school.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REMINDERS:

Sunday, March 2:

DALET Class PACT program:
The Bridges of Mitzvot County, 10am

Sunday, March 9:

BET CLASS: JET activity for parents
CHAI SCHOOL special program on
Cults and Missionaries, 10:40am

Sunday, March 16:

Special program for K-5 students
with storyteller, Rebecca Kelly

Sunday, March 23 through Sunday, March 30:

NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL, Spring Break
(School resumes Tuesday, April 1)

Sunday, April 6:

HEI special program: Living Voices presents
Through the Eyes of a Friend

Wednesday, April 9 and Tuesday, April 15:

BET CLASS C.A.F.E. program: Seder Plates

NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS PHYLLIS DENENBERG, DIRECTOR

REMINDER: REGISTRATION IS GOING ON NOW FOR ALL OUR SCHOOL AND CAMP PROGRAMS!

Our Open House will take place on Sunday, March 2nd from 10:00 AM- 12:00 PM. Meet the teachers, take a tour. Refreshments made by our students and hors d'oeuvres by Classical Caterers will be provided. There will be gymnastics in the gym with Miss Kim and free giveaways.



Register at the Open House and **SAVE** on school and camp.

This month we are highlighting our afternoon Jewish Enrichment program. Gan Aleph-Bet is taught by Morah Lori (Mrs.Noah) and assisted by Mrs. Lesko. This is the second year of this highly successful class. The yiladeem (from both the 3 year-old and 4 year-old classes) learn a new letter of the Alef-Bet each week. They see what they look like, they hear what they sound like, and they color and make their own "cars" each week to make a "carpool" that can be put up in their houses to showcase the entire Alef-Bet.

Shabbat is taught and the children have made their very own candlesticks, kiddush cup, Shabbat placemat, besamim (spice) box, and havdalah candle. The children went on a "field trip" around the Synagogue building in search of different Kosher symbols, and discovered which animals and fish are considered Kosher. They saw a DVD from the OU describing the meaning of kosher. The photograph shows the yiladeem in Gan Aleph Bet with various Kosher foods and their Kosher symbols that were found around our building.

Israel, the Jewish State will be discussed- how it is

about the same size as New Jersey, what language is spoken there, the Hatikvah, etc.). Hebrew is spoken during this class and the yiladeem have learned to recognize and write their Hebrew names. Many students know how to count in Hebrew (up to ten - and some children can count even higher!), and list various body parts and clothing. The children sing the Hatikvah and other Hebrew songs during each class. Jewish holidays are covered in more detail than in the morning classes.

There will be no school on Tuesday March 4th due to a teacher's workshop. We are co-sponsoring (along with other nursery schools), two workshops titled "Interaction of Children: Building Social & Emotional Relationships" and "Identifying & Supporting Children with Suspected Developmental Delays".

As March continues with the arrival of the month of Adar Bet, the yiladeem will be baking their own Hamantashen and making groggers and preparing Mishloach Manot baskets to bring home to their families on Purim.

We will be celebrating Purim (Friday March 21st) with a "Megillah" reading by Rabbi Wolkoff and Cantor Rockman. We will all dress in costumes and then participate in our Purim Carnival!

Our school is very fortunate to have been accepted into a very special program called the **Strengthening Families Initiative**. We are among ten childcare centers chosen from Middlesex and Somerset counties. We will be working closely with the State of New Jersey, DYFS and other groups. There will be workshops for staff as well as parents. Strategies and plans will be implemented to meet the standards suggested by this initiative.

We are starting to work on our yearbook for the Class of 2008. Ad blanks will be available soon. Please support our school by placing an ad from your place of business (or businesses that you deal with) or an ad honoring past or future graduates.

Reminder: Rabbi Wolkoff's next parenting class is Wednesday, March 12th.

Until next month...

Phyllis

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- Israel Pilgrimage/ Poland Seminar
- Spain/ Israel Pilgrimage
- Etgar! Outdoor Adventure Israel

Ask our USY Board members about these trips too. Many of our Board members have been on these trips.

The following scholarships are available through the Hagalil region based on financial need and involvement in USY.

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Attention all synagogue members! PARENT DATE NIGHT!

March 8th, from 5:45 P.M. until 10 P.M. USY will be babysitting your children ages 5-10.

Classrooms and the gym will be filled with tons of fun-filled activities for your kids to enjoy while you go out and enjoy yourself

\$20 per child, and \$10 for any additional child. We'd love to see your child there!

RSVP to Jordana, the advisor, if your child will attend. Jorde1174@aol.com or (732) 422-7457

Rebecca Eisenberg, USY SAVTO Vice President

B'NAI TIKVAH YOUTH

KADIMA

Our Chapter ran a great event at the Old Bridge Ice Skating Rink in February, with all local Chapters, to have a total of 60 Hagalil members attend. Everyone had a great time. Congratulations to Sydney Sookerman for attending, so far, 10 events this year, either Chapter or Regional, & winning a gift card!

March 2 – B'nai Tikvah's Kadima & USY Joint Ice Skating

at Princeton Sports Center from 2:00-4:00 pm.

The cost is \$9 & RSVP by 2/28.



March 8-9 –

8th Grade Regional Shabbaton

in East Brunswick for those attending.

March 13 – Battle in the Gym from 6:45-8:00 pm.

All 6-8th Graders are encouraged to come even if you are not a member & give Kadima a try. Snacks will be served. Wear sneakers.

March 16 – A Costume Schechter Purim Ball from

5:00-7:00 pm at Solomon Schechter in Marlboro. Costume Contest. RSVP to Linda at, (732) 431-5525. Cost of admission: Bring a Kosher for Pesach Food Donation.

March 23 – B'nai Tikvah's Purim Carnival

from 11:00-1:30 pm.

March 30 – Regional Roller Rama in Woodbridge.

RSVP by 2/27.

U.S.Y.

Our Chapter had a Movie Night in the Synagogue & the group voted for their movie of choice by donating money for SATO (Social Action - Tikkun Olam). Once again the group did a great job & raised \$53 w/ only 16 members in attendance!

March 1 – Regional Membership Dance

in Fort Lee from 8:30-11:30 pm. The cost is \$7. RSVP by 2/24 to reserve a space on the bus.

March 2 – B'nai Tikvah's USY & Kadima Joint Ice Skating at Princeton Sports Center

from 2:00-4:00 pm. The cost is \$9 & RSVP by 2/28.

March 8 – USY Baby-sitting

from 5:45-10:00 pm in the Gym for Synagogue members kids between the ages of 5-10 years old. This is a SATO event, don't miss out. We are hoping to have a large amount of kids from our families at the Synagogue. RSVP by 3/2.

March 9 – Jews for Jesus Special Program from

10:30-12:05 pm will be held in the Beit Midrash. The program is sponsored by Chai School. Parents are welcome to stay.

March 15 – Regional Purim Prom

in Pine Brook from 9:00-12 am. The cost is \$10 & dress to impress. RSVP by 3/9 to reserve a space on the bus.

March 17 – Culture Night

in the Youth Lounge from 7:30-9:00 pm.

March 23 – Is the Purim Carnival.

We need USY members to help run the booths. Please RSVP ASAP if attending.

Contact me with questions or concerns throughout the year!

We are always welcoming new members to Kadima & USY, please join us for an event in the Synagogue. Applications are available on;

<http://bnaitikvah.com/youth.html> or on our Bulletin Boards in the Synagogue.

Jordana Andersen (732) 422-7457

Jorde1174@aol.com

Purim Carnival - Sunday, March 23 11:00 - 1:30.

Inflatables & gold fish are back along with lots of fun games to celebrate Purim.

Hot dogs and knishes. Magic Show following the Carnival (1:30).

Game tickets are \$10 for 20 tickets. Discounts if purchased in advance.



B'NAI TIKVAH COMMUNITY



COMING ATTRACTIONS

- March 23; Passover wine sale & tasting during Purim Carnival
- March 23; Mishloach Manot distribution
- March 30; Sisterhood General Meeting – details to be announced
- April 6 Save the Date - Sisterhood breakfast and meeting
- April 6 & 13 Gift Shop Passover Bazaar – see ad for March specials

PASSOVER WINE SALE & TASTING

Join us on March 23 for a wine tasting during the Purim Carnival. This isn't the wine from your childhood. It's delicious with several vintages and flavors to choose from! Look for information and order forms in EMAILS during the month. Order forms will also be available at the wine tasting, in the synagogue office and on the B'nai Tikvah website. Don't delay, get your order in today and enjoy delicious wines at your Passover seder and through the year. Deadline for ordering is April 1 and pickup at will be April 14, 15 and 16th at the Sisterhood Gift Shop.

RESERVE YOUR SEAT NOW!!

Susie Fishbein, author of several kosher cookbooks including "The Kosher Palette" and "Kosher by Design, Short on Time," will be giving a cooking demonstration and tasting on May 21. **Only a few tickets are still available.** Contact Stacey Rockman at (732) 422-0963 or erlichchick@yahoo.com to reserve your seat. Visit the Judaica Gift Shop to purchase the cookbooks, including the new Kosher by Design-Passover cookbook.

VISIT A MIKVAH

Take a road trip with us on March 30 to the Mikvah in Highland Park We will not be participating in any rituals just learning about them, and becoming familiar with the facility. We will caravan to Highland Park from the synagogue parking lot at 9:30 am. We plan to return by noon.

MITZVAH BASKETS

Having a B'nai Mitzvah or other simcha? Let Sisterhood decorate the bima with two non-perishable food baskets that match your color scheme! We also deliver the baskets for use at other area synagogues! For more information or to order your bima baskets, please contact Andrea at (732) 329-0687.

SOCIAL ACTION

We will be collecting items for troops serving in Afghanistan. Cindy Rosen, daughter of Ed and Phyllis Rosen, has requested items that she and her unit would be grateful to receive including toothpaste, hand and body creams, liquid soap, shaving cream and Swifter wet and dry refills. Donations can be dropped off at the synagogue office throughout the month of March.

For our April 6 meeting, we will be collecting Kosher for Passover food to be donated to JFVS for their annual Passover food drive. Thank you, in advance, for your donations!

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MEN'S CLUB

Sunday, March 9th, 10:00 AM

Monthly Meeting

Presenter – Howard Waksman, MD
Middlesex Thoracic Medical Group

Sunday, April 13th, 10:00 AM

Monthly Meeting

Presenter – H. Howard Goldstein, MD
Diabetes and Endocrinology Associates
Hamilton, NJ

All monthly meetings include our traditional breakfast buffet consisting of bagels and lox, etc. There is a \$4 charge for the breakfast. Our meetings are always open to anyone. Please remember to RSVP as soon as possible. RSVP's insure that the food to be purchased will be adequate for those who do show up.

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Next Meeting:

Tuesday, March 25, 1:00 PM

The Fifty Plus Group will meet on Tuesday, March 25, at 1 p.m. in the social hall of the Synagogue. We are pleased to welcome our new Rabbi, Robert Wolkoff. From personal experience as a Rabbi in Sweden, he will talk to us about “Jewish Life in Sweden”. All members, guests and prospective members are invited to join us. Refreshments will be served.

For further information about the group, please call;

*Doris at 609-860-1498 or
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NEW YORK, Jan. 24—As Israel looks to strengthen its economy through forward-looking infrastructure projects including a light rail for Tel Aviv, laying a north-south rail line for faster cargo delivery and linking major highways, Israel Bonds has undertaken a commitment to secure \$1 billion to fuel economic momentum.

Recognizing the special occasion of Israel's 60th anniversary, Israel Bonds President and CEO Joshua Matza said, "The synergy between Israel and the Bonds organization will help take Israel to the next level of economic achievement. We are extremely proud that the dependable capital we provide is helping to build the modern infrastructure needed to sustain a strong economy."

Matza noted that Israel Bonds has "clearly demonstrated its resolve" by securing a record \$140 million in new commitments at its annual campaign inaugural, held January 20 in Boca Raton.

At the inaugural, the essential role played by Israel Bonds was highlighted by Finance Minister Ronnie Bar-On. In a video message, the finance minister stated: "Israel Bonds' contribution to the State of Israel is outstanding. So many projects have been undertaken thanks to Bonds support. There is hardly a major infrastructure project taking place for which funds from Israel Bonds are not being utilized."

BONDS/INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS/2

Israel's new infrastructure plans were announced jointly by Finance Ministry and Transportation Ministry officials. The projects – 12 in all – will be implemented over a seven year period, beginning in 2008.

Additional projects include establishing a mass transit system between Haifa and Nazareth, adding more container terminals at Israel's ports and building new international airport to be located in northern Israel.

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This new gift card adheres to our old saying:

"YOU GOTTA EAT ANYWAY",

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Next time you want that corned beef on rye accompanied by a potato knish, Dr. Brown's cream soda and a crunchy pickle – all Kosher, of course – bring along your **LS&D** gift card(s). **OR** are you planning a party? Let **LS&D** cater it and use the gift card(s). **OR** you purchase kosher meats and other deli products to go – use **LS&D** gift cards.

Don't know about you, but I've started drooling just thinking about how Jesse and David's foods satisfy my basic kosher deli desires. I bet **LS&D** now becomes a satellite of CBT.

Oh, the money that will be raised for CBT with these darling cards!



Purchasing these gift cards in \$50 and \$100 amounts is as simple as when you want your SGCs (i.e., **A&P, Acme, Pathmark, Shop Rite, Stop & Shop**). Here's how:

- Stop by the committee's table on Sunday mornings during religious schools
- Visit CBT during business hours
- Order on-line at bnaitikvah.org (on-line order form available)
- Contact one of the following committee members:
 1. Rachel Ruchlin (formerly Shaneson)
732-329-2189
 2. Bobby Bergman (still Bergman)
732-246-7285
 3. Ann Rosenzweig (still Rosenzweig)
732-249-9141
 4. Jay Scheuer (still Jay)
732-940-8473

As with **Whole Foods**, only cash and/or checks will be acceptable forms of payment for gift cards from **LS&D**.

Don't forget that if you want **Whole Foods** gift cards you will need a two week turn around between ordering and receiving these cards. Rachel has the full story regarding how to order these cards, what the minimal order is, etc.

So order often and Eppes Essen!

Linda Feinstein

Protect Religious Liberty in the Workplace

Each day countless employees are forced them to choose between their faith and their profession causing claims of religious discrimination in the workplace to skyrocket over the last 25 years. The Workplace Religious Freedom Act, WRFA (H.R. 1431) seeks to remedy this conflict by protecting religious liberties and creating a safeguard against religious discrimination.

WRFA was introduced on March 9, 2007, in the House by Reps. Carolyn McCarthy (D-NY) and Mark Souder (R-Ind.) and is currently being debated. Let your representatives know how you feel about this.

COMMUNITY

TODAH RABBAH

We would like to thank the following volunteers for making February birthday calls:

Madeline Gaynor
Bill Greenberg
Meyer Ketofsky
Mae Rubinstein
Janet Szpiro

Roz Fischman and Sherry Valan would like to thank Gil Goldman for helping with the Hakol envelopes.

We would also like to thank all the volunteers who work to make our synagogue a welcoming and functional place that can provide the services and opportunities that B'nai Tikvah has become known for.

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