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Friday, Feb 19, 6:00 PM

Seudah Shlishit - The Third Meal Saturday, Feb 20, 4:45 PM

Wine, Cheese & Chocolate with Rabbi Wolkoff

Saturday, Feb 20, 7:30 PM

Made In Metuchen

Sunday, Feb 21, 7:00 PM

Purim - Megillah Reading Saturday, Feb 27, 6:15 PM

Sunday, Feb 27, 6:15 PM Sunday, Feb 28 9:45 AM

Purim Carnival

Sunday, Feb 28 follow Megillah Reading

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Purim Service Times

Saturday, February 27th

Mincha 5:30 pm

Ma'ariv and Megillah reading 6:15 pm

Sunday, February 28th

Shacharit 9:00 am Megillah reading 9:45 am



Followed by the Purim Carnival



Editors note:

The following article addresses a simple problem with a simple solution. Simple until you introduce the human factor.

We have many people at B'nai Tikvah who come to minyan because they feel a personal need at times of difficulty, we have too few people who come because they feel the needs of others.

The 15 minute mitzvah

On New Year's Day, my sister Dina & I lost our mother to cancer. Being raised in an observant Jewish home, there was no doubt that we would both say Kaddish for our mother for the entire II month period. We plan to observe our period of mourning as best as we can in accordance with the laws of Judaism.

Dina & I both believed "as best as we can" meant that every day possible, barring horrible weather, illness or unforeseen child care situations, we would come to B'nai Tikvah and honor our mother's memory by saying Kaddish. Never did we think that "as

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Kol HaKavod....

Kol HaKavod, Cindy Gittleman...

"At B'nai Tikvah You Can" ... always count on Cindy Gittleman adding her expertise and enthusiasm to new ideas and events. She is an inspiration to anyone who walks into B'nai Tikvah and feels her presence. Her contributions to our shul are endless and we are so proud that she is a part of our family. Some of the many successful events that Cindy has chaired in the past include "70's Thing," "Schmooze Cruise," first annual Crafts Fair, L'Dor V'Dor concerts and the series of events to welcome the opening of the new wing entitled "Unwrap Your Spirit- Find Your Center." She has a special knack for recruiting members to work with her

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United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

On Supporting Freedom of Religious Practice at the Kotel

NEW YORK, NY - The recent detention and fingerprinting of Anat Hoffman, director of the Israel Religious Action Center, civil and consumer rights advocate, founding member of Women of the Wall and past member of the Jerusalem City Council, for her role in advocating a woman's right to pray at the Kotel opens a new and ominous chapter in intra-Jewish relations in Israel.

United Synagogue affirms that Hoffman's detention, following the recent arrest at the Kotel of Nofrat Frankel for wearing a tallit during worship services on Rosh Hodesh, drives a wedge between our communities at a time when working for unity within Israel and enhancing the connection between

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WORDS OF THE RABBI Rabbi Robert Wolkoff

The world, stands upon three things

"The world," the rabbis tell us, "stands upon three things: upon the Torah, upon Divine Service, and upon acts of lovingkindness." (Pirkey Avot, 1:2)

The usual interpretation of this passage is that there are three different aspects of Jewish life. One is the intellectual world of Torah. The second is the spiritual world of ritual. And the third is the moral world of good deeds.

And just as there are three different aspects of Jewish life, so too there are three different kinds of Jews. Some Jews are fascinated by the depth of Torah interpretation, the world of commentary, the richness of Jewish ideas. These are the Jews for whom the most pressing issue is where they can squeeze in another bookshelf.

Other Jews are inspired by the rituals and sacred practices which, from time immemorial, have brought Jews together and brought us as a people closer to G-d, whether in the Tabernacle, the Temple, the synagogue, or the home. For these Jews, a new melody, a whimsical mezuzah, or a new recipe for chicken soup adds intensity and vibrancy to their spiritual life.

And finally, there are Jews who hear the world crying out for tikkun. From the rainforest of the Amazon to child labor sweatshops in India, from battered women in Seattle to conflict diamonds fueling wars in Africa, G-d's world is filled with challenges that demand His partners' (i.e., our) attention.

Each of us, it could be said, embodies our own unique combination of these three concerns and interests. Seen in this light, our task at Bnai Tikvah is to make our synagogue a tent big enough to find a place for all Jews, no matter which combination they happen to represent.

So far, so good. But the text of Pirkey Avot has even more to teach us. There may be three different things upon which the world stands, and people make different combinations of them, but it would be mistaken to see these different things as intrinsically separate from each other. They are in fact all aspects of the same thing, alternate facets of the same diamond, which is: life Jewishly lived.

Think about it. A life of Torah would be empty indeed if it did not call us to Divine Service and did not guide us through the world of Divine Action. A life of Divine Service would be inarticulate without Torah and solipsistic without Divine Action. And Divine Action would be mindless without Torah, and either barren and shrill (perhaps both!) without Divine Service.

The real challenge, for Jews everywhere and for us at Bnai Tikvah in particular, is to live Jewish lives that are integrated, lives that are made rich by Divine Wisdom, elegant by Divine Service, and gracious by Divine Action.

Let's work on it together! Shalom,

Rabbi Robert L. Wolkoff

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OUR HAZZAN'S VOICE Cantor Bruce Rockman

Made in Metuchen

It is a great honor for me to return to the synagogue of my childhood, to reciprocate for all that I learned and became there. I would like to invite you to this very special event on **Sunday, February 21, at 7PM, the** "Made in Metuchen Concert", celebrating the 75th Anniversary of Neve Shalom in Metuchen. I will be performing with Neve Shalom's current Cantor, Sheldon Levin and Cantors Anna West Ott and Paula Pepperstone, who, as I did, grew up at Neve Shalom. We will also be joined by my father, Cantor Royal Rockman our Sons of Tikvah Band.

I grew up in Metuchen, New Jersey, just a few short miles from B'nai Tikvah. Before my father, Royal Rockman, became the cantor in Colonia, I would spend every Shabbat morning with him and my brothers at Neve Shalom. We attended junior congregation and major time on the playground waiting for Kiddush. As my father continued spending Shabbat in Colonia, the Rockman brothers and little sister, continued to hang out with our friends in Metuchen, where we lived and attended high school.

My parents married in 1948 and settled in Metuchen and quickly connected with the other young couples in town and together they all joined the shul. At that time, Neve Shalom met in the Grange building, just off Main Street. Later, when the current structure was built, they were proud cosigners on the original mortgage. My parents each grew up in Middlesex County, my mother Bernice, of blessed memory, in New Brunswick and dad in Carteret. To say the least, we have not strayed to far from home!

While a student at Rutgers, I joined the Neve Shalom religious school staff, and was the Junior Congregation leader for many years; even beyond my college days. Our youth service would end with Kiddush and then I would return to daven in the sanctuary with the congregation.

One Shabbat, Cantor Mordechai Goldstein, of blessed memory, invited me to lead musaf. Unlike at B'nai Tikvah, the cantor leads the service from the bima, facing the Ahrone Kodesh, the Ark. My mother, who rarely attended services on Shabbat morning, preferring to prepare for our family Shabbat lunch at home and I was unaware that she was in shul, this one Shabbat moning. Except for my Bar Mitzvah, it was probably the only time my mom heard me lead a service. I was cheerfully shocked to see her after the service and to receive her loving compliments and encouragement. Actually, I do not remember what she said to me, but I remember her proud, knowing and glowing smile. I will never forget that look.

I am proudest of who I have become here at B'nai Tikvah, not only as a cantor, teacher and band leader, but as a person, a husband, a father and friend. At B'nai Tikvah, I can express my love of God, of Israel and you and all of the Jewish people. But certainly my development as a leader in this community was and still is influenced by where I came from and the parents and teachers who nurtured my Jewish soul in Metuchen, New Jersey.

I would be very honored if you would consider attending this event, which will not only tribute me and The Sons of Tikvah Band, but will also celebrate this, our wonderful community in which we live to nurture more Jewish children.

With Joy,

Cantor Bruce Rockman



SCHEDULE OF DAILY SERVICES

Sunday	9:00 AM Shahareet	7:30 PM	Maariv							
Monday		7:30 PM	Maariv							
Tuesday		7:30 PM	Maariv							
Wednesday		7:30 PM	Maariv							
Thursday	7:30 AM Shahareet	7:30 PM	Maariv							
Friday		8:00 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat							
Saturday	9:30 AM Shabbat	Mincha/Ma	ariv/Havdallah							
		5:00 PM	Feb. 6th							
		5:15 PM	Feb. 13th							
	Seudah & Study	4:45 PM	Feb. 20th							
Minch	a followed by Purim Service	5:30 PM	Feb. 27th							
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Will this be the last Hakol?

To find out, locate your copy of the January issue and look for my article, "Striving for perfection has no limit". If you no longer have access to it, or if this comes as a shock to you, please give me a call.

Gary Bergman, VP of Activities 732-246-7285

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From The Webmaster

Notification of **Shiva Minyan Updates**

Shivah Minyan notices and changes of information are very important to those who need it but, not to everyone. We, therefore, ceased the practice of sending corrective emails and now provide the information on our website where those who are interested can go. But, the problem still remains that if you don't visit the website, you wouldn't know if arrangements have been changed.

There is now a short form at the bottom of the page where you can register your email address. Once registered, you will get an automatic email reminder whenever the page is changed.

Gary Bergman, Webmaster

I don't mind dying. I just don't want to be there when it happens.

Just for Fun.

A few months ago I created a FaceBook page for B'nai Tikvah and began inviting all those congregants and friends that I know of who already have FaceBook accounts. You can find us at Shalom@bnaitikvah.org. So what's the fun part? You can now also add us as a "neighbor" in Farmville. To see our virtual farm, go to bnaitikvah.org and click Games under: "Just 4 Fun". It's for kids too.

Gary Bergman

I can't be in my second childhood; I haven't finished the first one yet.

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ANOTHER VIEWPOINT

A Snow Joh

Back in the 50s and 60s I only knew of one weather forecaster on TV. There were surely more, but I stuck with just one. He was pleasant, slightly funny and seemed to know his weather. Today I find TV weather forecasters on every channel and media station that I turn on. It doesn't matter where I am - in a hotel in Cleveland or visiting my family in Florida, every channel has at least one weather person and some have more. If you turn to four channels in a row, there are four forecasters, each with maps and graphics. I think that only one knows anything about the weather and the others just repeat what he or she says.

I suppose that some weather people have families or just don't want to work 24 hour shifts, so unless they want to record what they hope will be tomorrow's weather today, they must have more than one forecaster per channel. I haven't done the math, but if you multiply the number of radio and TV channels by the number of forecasters, you will have at least enough bodies to send a couple of divisions to Afghanistan or Iraq.

Anyway, my gripe is about the accuracy, or lack of it that is represented as forecasting. On a recent long drive home on a Friday, I heard dire weather reports on every radio station about a snow storm running up the coast from Georgia to New England, that on Saturday there would be anywhere from ten to twelve inches of snow. There was no sign of snow when I rose on Saturday morning, so I bathed and dressed for services and sat down for breakfast. By the time I had finished breakfast it was snowing hard. I had visions of six inches of snow on my car by the time services were over and chickened out and decided to stay home. Much to my chagrin (my own chagrin that is. I don't think anyone else cared about my chagrin) it snowed only about an inch, but by that time it was too late to go to services. (Danny Greenberg thoughtfully called me at home to make sure that I was o.k.)

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A MEMBERSHIP MINUTE

Allison Nagelberg, VP Membership

Mazel Tov to:

Daniel and Adriana Reininger On the Bat Mitzvah of their son, Michael

Todd and Edita Appelbaum On the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Melanie

Our Condolences to:

Barry Dworkin

On the passing of his brother, Robert

Beth Slansky, Dina Fisher, Jeffrey and Becki Rosenthal, Brittany and Mitchell Fisher, and Edward Flateman On the passing of Maxine Flateman

The Kutliroff Family On the passing of our founding congregant, Millicent

Supporting our Tzevet

Our January Hakol just arrived about a week ago (as I sit down to write for the February Hakol) and already, we have started to receive your generous donations toward our Tzevet in Israel! Thank you so much for your support - especially during these challenging economic times!

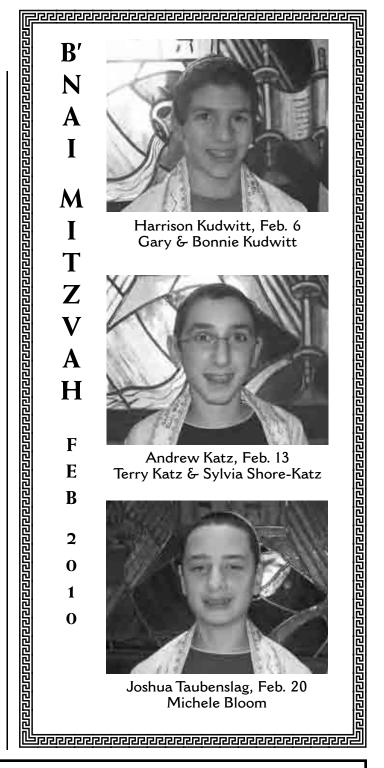
As a reminder, our congregation is supporting an elite unit of the Israel Defense Forces with extra funds for provisions that are outside the budgetary constraints of the IDF. Our congregant, Shelly Talmud, has a special connection to one of the soldiers in this Tzevet and she is leading the charge on this awesome effort to help our dedicated officers in Israel. Our goal is to raise \$5,000 by pooling our resources through tax-deductible contributions to assist these soldiers in their service on behalf of the State of Israel and the larger Jewish community. Checks should be made payable to Congregation B'nai Tikvah with the Memo "One Israel Fund" and attach this tear off when you mail in your donation.

In addition, I want to thank you for your ongoing efforts to let your friends and neighbors know about the phenomenal programming here at Congregation B'nai Tikvah. Your enthusiasm and referrals are truly appreciated!

Allison Nagelberg Membership@BnaiTikvah.org

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The Chutzpah Corner All BT Gossip, all the time

by TMC (Too Much Chutzpah)

With the hotly anticipated Chutzpah Awards coming up quick – Saturday, February 13th – there is so much to talk about! It's going to be the event of the year, so here's the "down low" before they start the show...

Births

Stu Allen, Chutzpah Awards Committee Chair, was taped in an emotional interview saying, "It's just like giving BIRTH! And Deb thought she had it hard with our two kids...try working with my committee!!"

Appearing

In addition to the obvious – Host Mitch Frumkin and President Ruth Anne Koenick – sources confirm that all the big names will be there. These sources refused to give specific names, but did verify that "you will know them when you see them." The source also noted that many new members, long-time members, young, old, people who sit on the right side of the sanctuary and people who sit on the left will all be there. (OK, Mitch was the source...see last month's Hakol...)

On Location

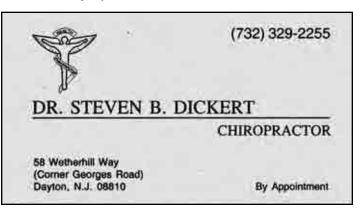
For those who will be "unavailable" during the awards ceremony, you can place your Toast (\$72 for 15-20 words) or Name (\$36) in the ad journal and immortalize the fact that you were there - in spirit, at least.

Legal Trouble

Rabbi Robert Wolkoff was taken into custody when a police officer overheard him mention that this was going to be a "killer" party that would "blow the roof off." He was released a short time later into his wife Ruth-Ann's custody. (He also noted that he would dance his tush off, but was not charged for that.)

Fired

Chazzan Bruce Rockman said he is all fired up to hear what the DJ will play... "It's a great way to learn new melodies for prayers."



What will you be Wearing to the Megillah Reading this Purim?



Why not come as the famous Waldo of Where's Waldo fame? I am, and so are many other congregants and B'nai Tikvah friends.

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B'nai Tikvah is selling Where's Waldo costumes in the lobby on Sunday mornings during February and February leading up to Purim on Saturday evening, Feb 27. Join all the other Waldos at the Megillah Reading for Purim 2010. Profits from this costume sale will be donated to charity.

1 Costume \$10 -or- 2 costumes for \$15

Costume consists of Waldo Shirt, Waldo Hat and Waldo Glasses. You only need to supply the blue jeans. Adult sizes only.

Dorothy Cohen

Winners

There's been a frenzy in Las Vegas with people betting on who will win this year's Chutzpah Awards. Some early odds: Aaron Rosloff for "Lifetime Achievement" – a shoe in...Allen Karp for "We Remember" – a sure thing...Danny Greenberg for "Best Legs" – a long shot.

Engaged

Classical Caterers (food), Noble DJ (music) and Mitch Frumkin (host) have all been "engaged" to lend their talents to the event!

With all this great gossip, I'm sure you won't want to miss this party! See you on Saturday, February 13th on the Red Carpet. If you haven't signed up yet, get out your chutzpah and call the office right away to get tickets and/or place an ad. You can also still make a prize donation for the Silent Auction.

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The bowling alley was abuzz with activity that day. The sounds of people chatting, pins smashing and bowling balls clanging blended euphoniously with Chanukah music playing non-stop from the alley's sound system. Beautiful chanukiyot adorned every table and the smells of warm latkes filled the air. The Cantor and his adorable daughter Bashi led us in the Chanukah blessings and a beautiful rendition of Ma' Otzur that was truly special.

The continued success of the Chanukah party was due to the incredible efforts of the Religious School Committee, Cantor Rockman, several B'nai Tikvah committees and the synagogue's administrative staff. Special thanks are owed to Alan and Ilene Miller who, not only were able to get most of the food donated, but spent most of the party preparing and serving the food. Thank you also to the members of our newly formed fundraising subcommittee, Aimee, Eliza and Suzanne, whose creative ideas for raffles, Smencil sales, and Sponson-A-Pin helped raise over \$300 for the synagogue! We also thank the Rejoice Committee for co-sponsoring this event; Cantor Rockman for leading us in prayer and song; Lynne WeissMarshall for getting the latkes donated; the Sisterhood, Men's Club and USY/Kadima for envisioning and participating in the bowling contests; our Director Ann Kanarek for her continued support of the event, and for supplying the fun Chanukah goody bags; the Kadima kids who helped with the fundraising sales; Teresa Samtur, who helped with tallying the fundraising sales and "guarding" the cashbox; our Webmaster extraordinaire, Gary Bergman, for his efforts to spread the word about the party; and President Ruth Anne Koenick, for her support of the event by sharing her enthusiasm with the congregation and for her last-minute schedule changes so she could ioin us for the celebration.

At B'nai Tikvah, You Can...always find an exciting program or event to enrich your life. For those of you who could not make this year's Chanukah party, you can see what you missed by clicking on the Chanukah party's Youtube link, HYPERLINK "http://www.bnaitikvah.org/bowling.html" http://www.bnaitikvah.org/bowling.html on the B'nai Tikah website. Hope to see you all next year!

B'shalom,

Lauren Cohen & Debbie Allen



Along with The Blood Center of NJ and South Brunswick Community Blood Bank, the synagogue will hold a Pre-Super Bowl Sunday Blood Donor Drive.

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and spreads her enthusiasm on whatever the project may be.

Cindy also served as VP of Membership; her warm, wonderful demeanor welcomed many new members during her term. She was also the chair of the B'nai Mitzvah program for many years after her own children celebrated their B'nai mitzvot. She helped all families understand the responsibilities and requirements to make their simcha a success.

Perhaps one of Cindy's greatest accomplishments at B'nai Tikvah is the formation of the Marketing Committee. She led the original committee that created and released the marketing survey and developed our slogan "At B'nai Tikvah, You Can." She is a strong advocate for the different parts of the synagogue working together and not competing, but boosting each other up for the sheer purpose of building a stronger BT programming.

Cindy is a team player who isn't looking for the glory; perhaps the most meaningful way to acknowledge and thank Cindy for her many contributions is to get involved. Her joy will be to see more members involved in the activities of B'nai Tikvah.

It is easy to see that Cindy truly loves B'nai Tikvah, and we love her!

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B'NAI TIKVAH COMMUNITY

CBT Chavurah Celebrates 16 Years

-by Allen Weg

On Saturday night, October 21st, the longest running CBT chavurah met at the East Brunswick Public Library for a program offered to the community involving a storyteller for adults followed by dessert. During coffee and sweets, the adults of the chavurah, all of whom were represented at this particular gathering, discussed our history as a group, and concluded that we had probably just finished up our 16th year together.

Back in late 1993, there were 12 families, making for sometimes very large gatherings. Families have dropped in and out for various reasons over the years, but since around the year 1999 we have maintained a steady membership of the BInders, the Cohens, the Levins, the Safeers, the Talmuds, and the Wegs. These families, or at least 3 of them (the minimum requirement to have a chavurah "event"), have gotten together once a month for all these years. We believe that there have been less than 10 months skipped in all that time, leaving a minimum of 180 gatherings over the last decade and a half. At present each family now hosts two events a year.

Many of these gatherings have been Shabbat dinners, game nights in various chavurah homes, barbecue and pool parties, and celebrating bar and bat mitzvahs, Succoth, and Chanukah together, as well as preparing the apples and setting up chairs for CBT before Rosh Hashana.



But there have also been many adventures along the way. These have included visits to the Chabad matzo factories around Pesach time (when our kids were all much younger), outdoor "Family Olympics" on several occasions during Lag Ba'Omer, a visit to the Carlbach and Bnai Jeshurun shuls in NYC for Friday night services, a rafting trip down the Delaware, snow tubing in the Poconos, a visit to the Sculpture Gardens, picnics on the beach, stuffing boxes for Feed the Children, cleaning the pantries for Elijah's Promise in

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THE 15 MINUTE MITZVAH

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best as we can" would mean only 3 to 5 days a week because there was no Minyan for Maariv services at B'nai Tikvah.

Twice in the past week, we have attended Maariv at B'nai Tikvah only to have to get in the car & drive to a neighboring Synagogue to say Kaddish because they had a minyan and we did not.

When we each decided to join B'nai Tikvah it was to raise our children with a Jewish community like we had growing up. Knowing we shared common interests and values with a similar group of people and our children would take pride in their religion. Pride because we stood together. While I realize that everyone is busy, it only takes 15 minutes to participate in the Maariv service. We spend more time than that each day texting, sitting in traffic, messaging on Facebook, on line at the grocery store, or waiting for our kids to get out of soccer practice or play rehearsal.

Why not make those 15 minutes count and do a mitzvah? The synagogue has volunteers that lead this service at 7:30 every night. There are usually several congregants that show up because we are either in mourning or observing a yahretzeit for a loved one. The entire service is 22 pages long and the leader will guide you through it and call out pages so you can follow along. All you have to do is stand up & be counted.

You do not need to know Hebrew well because all of the prayers are things we learned early in Hebrew school or are transliterated in the book; the Barchu, Shema & Aleinu. You can even read the Amidah in English. We would appreciate your support so that we can say Kaddish and honor our mother.

Please do not wait until you need a Minyan to participate. By then, it may be too late. 15 minutes could make a difference in someone else's life.

Do a Mitzvah today & pass it on . . .

Beth Slansky

You shall not close your hand against your needy kinsman.

- Deuteronomy (Devarim) 15:7





B'NAI TIKVAH SOCIAL ACTION

PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO READ THIS: A HUGE THANK YOU... NEEDY FAMILY PROGRAM A SUCCESS

Given the present state of the economy, I was uncertain how successful our annual program of helping needy families for the holidays would turn out. Once again, despite many of us having to tighten our purse strings, we had a very successful program sponsoring 6 needy families. These families were given dishes, silverware, sheets, blankets, coats, boots, hats, gloves, clothing, underwear, toys and tooth brushes. Yes, you read correctly. A family requested on their holiday wish list toothbrushes. That is how poor the families that we sponsor are.

One anecdote of how this program makes a difference:

Browsing through a store, a congregant found an unbelievable deal on a child's winter jacket and bought it, not knowing who needed it. The New Brunswick social worker who identifies the families we sponsor

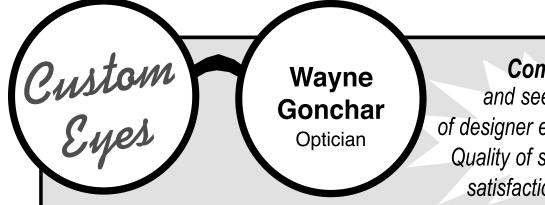
told us there was a kindergartner who had no jacket and dressed in layers. She brought the jacket directly to the child's classroom and when the child saw it was for him, his eyes became as large as boulders and he told the social worker, "I am going to be warm! I won't have to be cold anymore." This was a six year old child who was so grateful to be warm. All I can think of when I heard about this was our children at that age were not in need of basic necessities.

What we get out of this program:

A congregant who was a family coordinator wrote the following email to me:

"I am so excited. I completed the shopping tonight and am happy to report that each of the four family members are getting what I think are pretty terrific gifts. I know I will not have the opportunity to meet this family but I feel like they are my personal "adopted" family and I feel close to them. It was all I could do not to cry the first two hours I was shopping. As I was shopping I just couldn't believe that these items were gifts when they are truly necessities. It made me so sad. I wanted the family to have things that were pretty

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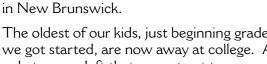
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I'm not sure how much penance I should have to do for not attending Shabbat services, but I really was concerned about the possible consequences of going out into a snow storm.

Back to the weather forecasters. Is there any way to hold them accountable for misinformation? When I was in the insurance business I would have lost my license if I gave out as much misinformation as you get on any TV channel. Of course their out is that their forecast is not guaranteed. In that case if it's only a guesstimate, I don't think it should be called a forecast. The word forecast implies that something specific is going to happen. If it is only a guesstimate, instead of forecasters they should be called guesstimators.

On Sunday, I woke up to sunshine on top of nine inches of snow. Right on time, only a day late. Thanks a lot!

Aaron Rosloff



The oldest of our kids, just beginning grade school when we got started, are now away at college. At present only two are left that are not yet teenagers. We have all watched as our children have gone through their various stages of development and challenges, and have reflected as middle age has caught us all by surprise. We have consoled each other at times of loss, supported each other at times of illness, and celebrated with each other at times of accomplishment. And of course, at Bnai Tikvah more than anyplace else, we have davened

Chavurah Celebrates Sweet 16

New Brunswick, and screening Jewish-themed or Israeli

and on one such occasion we took a tour of the mikvah

films. On some months only the adults would meet,

We thank Congregation Bnai Tikvah for giving us the opportunity and the foundation on which to build our group and the friendships we have forged within it. May we all continue to do so in physical health and spiritual wellness. Amen.

Susie Fishbein Is Back!

If you saw her 2 years ago - you know how great she is and if you did not - get in on the ground floor now!

Wednesday April 28, 2010 at 7:30 pm

We only have 50 tickets available- so buy your tickets now! \$54 each or \$65 for the first row (only 9 front row seats available) Tickets include the demo and tasting of the items Susie prepares

Proposed menu::

Goat Cheese Asparagus Strudels

Salmon Salad with Carrot Ginger vinaigrette

Tiramisu cheesecake



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Make checks payable to Bnai Tikvah Sisterhood with "Susie Fishbein" on the notes line. Send checks to the synagogue office Attn: Stacey Rockman or give them to Stacey when you see her! Page 16 **HAKOL** www.bnaitikvah.org February 2010 Shevat - Adar 5770 Volume 31, Issue 6

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REPORTS Ann Kanarek, Director

How Do We Relate to God?

Talking about God is certainly one of the most important and meaningful discussions you can have as a family. Yet, it is one of the most difficult and challenging of subjects.

Numerous Jewish thinkers have conceived of God in different ways and there are many perceptions of God. From Biblical times to the present, there are basic assumptions both on the existence of God and the idea of unity. Our concepts of God, images and metaphors of God are varied. In Judaism, there is no real definition of God. Rather, it concentrates on the relationship of God and humans.

Talking about our relationship with God is a unique aspect of Jewish learning which nurtures our souls - adults and children alike. This dialogue begins when children start asking questions - often well before they begin formal religious school. From that time on, the conversations should continue, both at home and in the synagogue. How we determine which ideas or concepts are appropriate for each age are based on questions they ask.

There are many wonderful books for children and adults on the subject of God. Here are a few:

For children:

Molly Cone – Hello, Hello, Are You There, God? Sandy Eisenberg Sasso – God's Paintbrush, God in Between and In God's Name.

Lawrence Kushner – Because Nothing Looks Like God, How Does God Make Things Happen? and What Does God Look Like?

Marc Gellman – Does God Have a Big Toe?

For adults:

Harold Kushner – When Bad Things Happen to Good People and When Children Ask About God.

Steven Roseman, David Kasakove, Kerry Olitzky – When Your Jewish Child Asks Why: Answers for Tough Ouestions

Rifat Sonsino and Daniel Syme – Finding God: Ten Jewish Responses

David Wolpe - Teaching Your Children About God

Talking about God should not be uncomfortable or intimidating. The Rabbi, the Cantor and I are always available to provide you with tools to start your "Family God Talk." May we all, parents and teachers alike, continue to ask the questions and search for answers.

BARTONS PASSOVER CANDY SALE

It's not too early to start thinking Passover. Check our website and your children's book bag for a Barton Passover Candy Sale form.

Our candy sale is going on right now!

If you have any questions regarding the candy, please call us at the School office, 732-297-0295. All student entrepreneurs will be rewarded with an incentive prize.

Our top prizes are very exciting. So, join the fun; sell to family and friends but PLEASE do not solicit door-to-door. Our children's safety is important to us.

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

The sale will end on February 28!

Many thanks for your support..

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REMINDERS:

Sunday, February 7:

Jet activity for Bet parents World Wide Wrap for Hei students & parents

Sunday, February 14:

NO SCHOOL, President's Weekend

Wednesday, February 17:

6 - 8:30 pm PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES for grades 3-7:

There will be regular class session for all students Kitah Alef - Kitah Hei. Conferences will be held in the evening for everyone's convenience. Please note that there will be no formal conferences scheduled for K-2 grades unless specifically requested.

Thursday, February 18:

7:45 pm Religious Education Committee Meeting

Sunday, February 21:

10 am PACT program for Dalet families:

Bridges of Mitzvot County,

K/1 JET activity

Chai School: Talmud Torah with Rabbi

Friday, February 26:

6:30 pm Gimel class Shabbat dinner, followed by

8:00 pm the class leading the Congregation in

prayer and song,

Sunday, February 28:

Religious school special Purim session

Wednesday, March 3:

Dalet program (Tallit tzit-tzit tying)

Sunday, March 7:

Dalet Special Program: Tallit making Jet activity for 2nd grade parents

Wednesday, March 10:

CAFÉ program for Alef students:

Siddur Covers

NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

PHYLLIS DENENBERG, DIRECTOR

REGISTER NOW FOR SCHOOL AND CAMP!

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

Only five years ago we offered a 2 day $2\frac{1}{2}$ year old class. We then increased it to 3 days. This is the first year we offered a 5 day $2\frac{1}{2}$ year old program. We are happy to announce it has come to fruition!

We are able to accommodate working parents by having 5 full day programs for ages 2 ½ through 6 and early/late stay hours starting from 7:30 AM until 6:00 PM.

Our spring Mommy & Me programs still have openings. The class runs on Wednesdays from 10:15-11:15 AM. If you have (or know anyone with) a child 12-24 months and is looking for socialization for their children and for themselves, please contact us about our wonderful Mommy & Me and Music Together programs.

There are some spots left in the **Toddler Fun Club**, our child/parent separation program for 2-2 ½ yr. olds. It takes place on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:15-10:45AM. The class lasts for 1 ½ hours. During this time period, parents relax in the building with other parents whose children are in the Toddler Fun Club.

Save The Date!!

Wednesday, March 10th from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM Family Art Night/Open House

Wine and Cheese will be served (sparkling juice and cheese crackers!)

Kudos to Blue Box Bob (Cantor Rockman) for visiting and singing songs for us on Tu B'Shevat.

Thank you to those who participated in our Little Lambs cookie dough fundraiser. It was a resounding success!

Every Friday, each class holds their own Shabbat party. We just started a school wide Shabbat party which is held on a Friday once a month at 11:00 AM led by Cantor Rockman. The first one was on Friday, January 22nd. The atmosphere was so warm and welcoming. We learned new songs and the Cantor read a story to the children. We would love to invite congregants to share in this experience. Our next event will be on Friday, February 19th at 11:00 AM.

Our Pre-K class will be going to the Zimmerli Art Museum on Monday, February 22. The program they will be attending is called the *Celebration of Storytelling*, featuring the Maia String Quartet. The next evening, some of our teachers will be attending a workshop at the Zimmerli on storytelling.

The yiladeem in all classes will be baking their own hamantashen, making groggers and preparing Mishloach Manot baskets to bring home to their families on Purim.

We will be celebrating Purim on Monday March 1st. We will all dress in costumes

and attend our Purim carnival. A shortened version of the Megillah will be read by Rabbi Wolkoff and Cantor Rockman. That will take place in the Sanctuary at approximately 11:30 AM.

All parents and congregants are invited!!

Don't forget to check out our photo album on our website to see our children in action!

We are starting to work on our yearbook for the Class of 2010. Ad blanks are available in the school office and can be downloaded from our website. 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.

Until next month...

Phyllis

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All sponsors will be acknowledged unless otherwise noted.

# B'NAI TIKVAH YOUTH

# KADIMA



February 14 – Ice Skating at Old Bridge Ice Skating Arena, 1 Old Bridge Plaza #1 from 1:30-3:45 pm. The cost \$9. All Chapters are invited. We are running this event along with the East Windsor Chapter. Invite your Kadima friends from the Region. RSVP by 2/10.

February 20 - Regional Purim Dance in Morris Plains. Details TBA in our weekly emails. RSVP by 2/15.

February 28 - The Annual Purim Carnival all are invited. USY wants to invite all 8th graders to help run the booths. RSVP to Miri-Tal, the USY advisor, nsbrunswickusv@gmail.com.

Contact me with questions or concerns throughout the year! If you haven't turned in your application yet, please send it into B'nai Tikvah office. Applications are available at http://bnaitikvah.com/youth.html.

Always accepting new members all year round!

As always, please RSVP to me for all events that require an RSVP date.

Jordana Andersen (732) 422-7457, Kadima Advisor Dorothy Cohen (821-4376), Youth Chair Btkadima@gmail.com

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Thank you to all those who donated to USY's SA/TO dance that took place in January. We could not have succeeded without your generousity. Thank you to all those who volunteered to chaperone. We would also like to thank the USYers who volunteered to help out and take care of everything for the dance. Thank you to Marc Katronetsky, Sarah Shindler, Kyle Spivack, and Rebekha Riemann. These USYers worked very hard to make sure that this dance nt only happened but that it was a successful and beautiful dance in which much money was raised for SA/TO.

February 5 thru 7 - Midwinter Kinnus- please contact Miri-Tal Atlas at nsbrunswickusy@gmail.com for more information.

Feburary 21st - Hamentashen making with Marci Oslick! Please come to the shul at 12:30 to make some delicious hamentashen all afternoon. Please RSVP to Sarah Shindler at nsbusymemprog@gmail.com

February 27th and 28th - Mac & Cheese Grogger sales! Get your Mac & Cheese Groggers From USY and donate money to SA/TO at the same time! Groggers will be available for purchasing before megillah reading. USYers who are interested in volunteering should contact Rebecca Safeer at nsbusyreledvp@gmail.com

February 28th – PURIM CARNIVAL! Get excited for the Purim Carnival of the year! Kids, don't forget your costumes! USYers who would like to help out please contact Jesse Nagleberg at nsbusyisrael@gmail.

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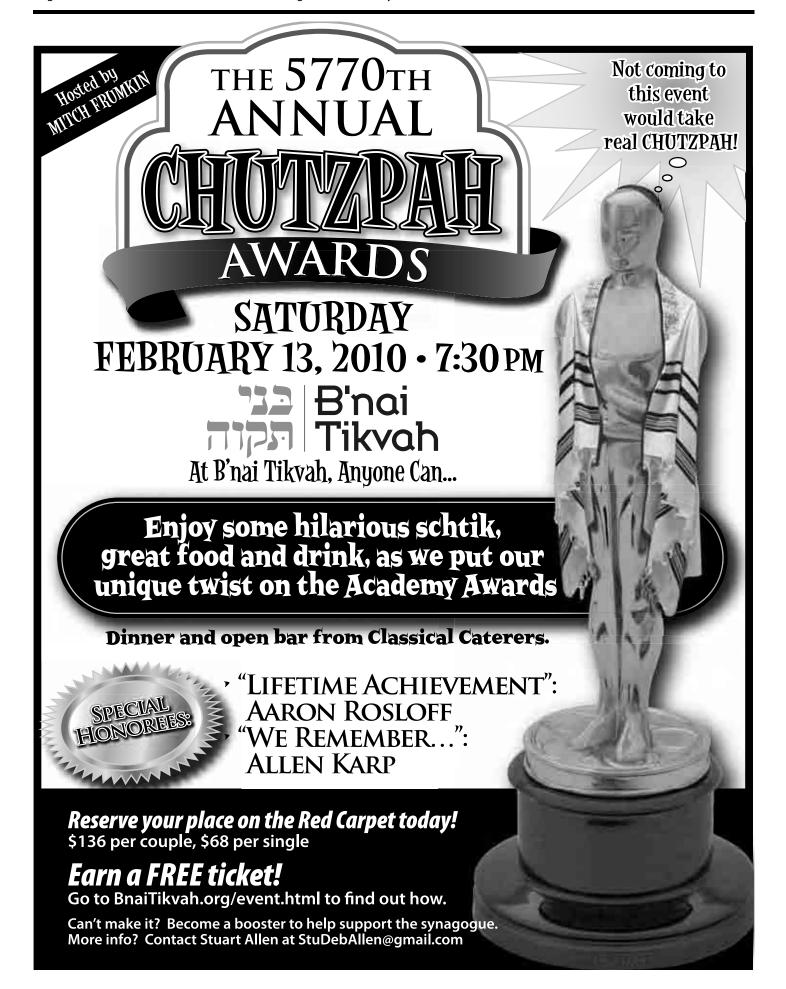
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### Sisterhood Happenings

#### Kosher Wines Aren't Just for Passover Anymore!

But just in case you need them for Passover, don't forget you can order them from Sisterhood. Visit http://www.bnaitikvah.org/winesale.html to view the amazing selection of wines, or join us Sunday February 28th, during the Purim Carnival, for some tasting and to place orders!

#### Beyond the Book

Thursday March 11, 7:30 pm (following minyan) In partnership with Sisterhood and Hadassah L'Dor V'Dor, Young Women of Raritan Valley sponsors a Book & Media Club for Discussing Hot Topics of the Page and Screen.

Reading: "Mystics, Mavericks, and Merrymakers: An Intimate Journey Among Hasidic Girls" by Stephanie Levine and Carol Gilligan.

All are welcome!

RSVP to Jennifer Manson at 732-940-2442.

Don't forget to mark our next date on your calendar too: Tuesday May 4 – You Never Call! You Never Write! A History of the Jewish Mother by Joyce Antler

#### Susie Fishbein Returns to B'nai Tikvah

Susie Fishbein is coming to B'nai Tikvah in April need a copy of any of her Kosher by Design Series please come contact Serena Blackin to pre-order your copy

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#### **Social Action**

The February Social Action collection is for the Ronald McDonald House in New Brunswick. They especially needed the following items: paper towels, room air fresheners, GladWare containers, medium waste can garbage bags, large heavy duty garbage bags, large plastic drinking cups, laundry detergent, liquid hand soap, and sanitizing wipes.

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# **MEN'S CLUB**



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Sunday, Feb 7th, 2010 at 9am in the Sanctuary.

Breakfast is complimentary.

Please contact Steve Katz, Men's Club President, at skatz56@aol.com with any questions.

# **50** plus

# Next Meeting: Tuesday, Feb. 23

The Fifty Plus Group will meet on Tuesday, February 23, at 1:00 p.m. in the Social Hall of the Synagogue.

Join us for a movie and popcorn.

The film "The Devils Arithmetic" will be followed by refreshments and door prizes.

For further information about the group;

Please Call: Doris @ 609-860-1498 or

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### B'NAI TIKVAH COMMUNITY

# SUPERMARKET GIFT CARDS

#### CONFESSIONS OF A COLUMNIST/GIFT CARD COMMITTEE MEMBER

Yes friends, I must "fess up." I have been preaching to all you Congregation B'nai Tikvah (CBT) members about meeting your annual assessment by purchasing Gift Cards (GC) from the GC committee or pay the amount listed on your dues' bills. I offered hints and other good information on how to wisely purchase the GCs only to learn that my family has been woefully remiss in their own purchases. It is February and I already smashed a New Year's resolution - to practice what I preach. Therefore, I am using this column to confess and rectify this wrong. Not only do I confess to this transgression, but I also vow to begin buying our allotted amount of GCs. By the time you, dear readers, get this month's edition of the Hakol, my family will have started fulfilling their obligations. It comes down to why would we want to double pay; we gotta food shop anyway, so why not buy some GCs to spend down our assessment. Paying CBT a flat amount without getting anything (i.e., GCs) in return is like paying twice, which in this economy makes very little sense.

To figure out what I just meant, just think about it awhile to realize: you shop at our participating stores all year round and must spend the gross amount anyway, so

why "cut a check" for the net amount on your dues bill? You get nothing in return. However, if you buy some GCs, you spend them on your necessities and help CBT, too. My family may be found strolling the aisles of Shop Rite and Stop & Shop as well as hubby, Norm, walking in his favorite "toy" store - Home Depot. In addition I occasionally meet a few of my fellow retired friends for lunch at Lox, Stock & Deli (LS&D) followed by getting some of their quality packaged meats and goods. In addition to Shop Rite, Stop & Shop, Home Depot and LS&D, the GC committee also offers GCs for: A&P, Acme, Pathmark and Jesse & David's (J&D). Remember, you don't need to just dine in at J&D or LS&D; you can also use the GCs for take out, too. If the Feinstein family can remedy their short comings with GC purchases, then what is holding you and your family from participating?











Now that you should have answered the above question, let me tell you how and where you can purchase your GCs. Here are your choices:

- Visit the GC committee table during Sunday religious school hours;
- Stop in/telephone CBT during business hours and ask for Sherry Valan to assist you;
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- Contact one of the following GC committee members to order, ask questions, etc.:

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THIS MONTH'S TIP: Two holidays are coming on quickly. They are Purim which starts Saturday (after sundown), February 27, 2010 and Pesach/Passover with the first Seder on the evening of Monday, March 29, 2010. The above listed grocery stores and delis are great sources for both food and non-food items needed to make both of these holidays ones that your family will remember. In fact, the shelves should be brimming with Pesach/Passover items before the Hakol reaches your mailbox. If you plan on creating great holiday memories for the family, then order enough GCs to make those memories. Don't forget Sisterhood sells Purim baskets and Passover flowers, too. Our GCs are great to supplement Sisterhood's fundraisers if/when you want hamantaschen, candies, juice boxes, matzo, Kedem products, etc., etc., etc. (as the King of Siam once said). Why go elsewhere when both Sisterhood and the GC committee can assist you.

Don't forget that the Feinstein family will now practice what they preach: BUY, BUY, BUY (GCs) and BYE,

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Linda Feinstein





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#### **NEEDY FAMILY PROGRAM A SUCCESS**

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as well as functional; after all, it's Christmas. I wanted to provide for them things that they needed but would feel pride and comfort in wearing - not just charity or handme-downs."

Another congregant/family coordinator realized that the mother of the family he was sponsoring was sleeping on the floor. He found a friend, (fellow congregant) who had an extra mattress and got a mattress company to donate a box spring and deliver it to the family.

We have been doing this program for the past seven years. I can honestly say that the people who get involved in this program get as much out of giving as the people who receive. Please consider participating in this program next year. This year we helped 31 people enter the New Year with the basics that we all take for granted.

Thanks to all those who donated money. Please know that every penny was used toward needed purchases for these families. To those who sponsored a child or an adult and bought, wrapped and delivered the gifts to my house, thank you for your time, efforts and expense. To the family coordinators, this program would not be as successful without you. Many of you have been with this program since its inception. It takes a lot of time, expense, and patience to be a coordinator and I can't thank you enough. A very special thanks goes to Jennifer Shapiro. Jennifer, thank you for your support, enthusiasm, time and commitment to this program.

I wish you all a year full of health, peace and contentment.

Janice Baer

# **Religious Freedom at the Kotel**

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diaspora Jewish communities and Israel should be a primary concern. We urge the municipality of Jerusalem, the State of Israel and its ambassador to the United States to realize the gravity of this issue and take immediate steps to end the harassment of women seeking to pray with dignity at the Western Wall, Judaism's most holy place.

United Synagogue urges members of its congregations and all members of the Conservative movement to write a letter to Ambassador Michael Oren expressing the above sentiments. Further, as Conservative Jews, we hope for a pluralistic Israeli society that welcomes all Jews who share a commitment to Jewish continuity, peoplehood and Zionism. When the government limits access at the Kotel, changes the status quo of "who is a Jew," and refuses to grant

Masorti rabbis equal rights in Israel, many in the Diaspora community, whose support of Israel is crucial if Israel is to continue to flourish, instead feel alienated.

By standing with the Women of the Wall, we affirm our unity as a single world-wide Jewish community. We affirm our connection with our sisters and brothers in the Land of Israel and we affirm the abiding holiness of the city of Jerusalem in our lives.

Everyone is encouraged to write to Ambassador Michael Oren at

info@washington.mfa.gov.il or

The Honorable Michael Oren Embassy of Israel 3514 International Drive NW Washington, DC 20008

deploring the government's action and asking him to intervene.

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We would like to thank Joyce Fishelberg, Bill Greenberg, Mike Ketofsky, Jeryl Roller, Mae Rubinstein & Janet Szpiro for making January birthday calls.

We would also like to thank Sherry Valan for helping in the synagogue office.



The aim of education must be the training of independently acting and thinking individuals, who, however, see in the service of the community their highest life problem.

- Albert Einstein

Courage is a special kind of knowledge: the knowledge of how to fear what ought to be feared and how not to fear what ought not to be feared.

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**Family Shabbat Dinner & Service** Friday, Feb 19, 6:00 PM

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Wine, Cheese & Chocolate with Rabbi Wolkoff Saturday, Feb 20, 7:30 PM

Made In Metuchen Sunday, Feb 21, 7:00 PM

Purim - Megillah Reading Saturday, Feb 27, 6:15 PM

Sunday, Feb 28 9:45 AM **Purim Carnival** 

Sunday, Feb 28 follow Megillah Reading

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