

A Message From Rabbi Robert Wolkoff

Judaism has made numerous contributions to world civilization. After all, any culture that could come up with Jonas Salk, Mandy Patinkin, Hank Greenberg and gribenes can't be all bad. At the very core of the creative dynamo called Judaism is halachah, Jewish law. The relationship between halachah and Hank may not be immediately clear. But the exactitude, the intensity, the passion, the celebration of nuance and subtlety, the interface between idea and reality, between people and principle that characterizes the study of halachah is the driving force behind every Jewish accomplishment.

Well, maybe not gribenes, except in the sense of wringing the very last drop of flavor (and cholesterol) out of a chicken.

In a word, halachah, and our relationship to it, makes us who we are. Some of us are acutely aware of this. Others of us may not realize how the archetypal force of the divine is playing out in our lives. But our tradition teaches us that all of us, knowingly or unknowingly, are participants in the covenant.

The assumption that permeates all Jewish legal thinking is simple in description and endless in complexity: every aspect of mundane life is an opportunity for holiness. That is why, for example, we so often recite blessings with the words, "who has sanctified us by His commandments and commanded us to...".

So Jewish law really matters. But how does it work? Who decides how it applies? How does a four thousand year old tradition address an ultramodern reality? All through the year, I'll be discussing this topic in our adult education program. We will review responsa, that is, rabbinic essays, which address virtually everything under the sun.

And this is where you come in. We can't tackle it all. I need your help deciding which topics we will be discussing this year. Once we decide, I'll send out selected responsa to the whole congregation, so everyone will have a chance to review them.

Please look at the list below, and let us know which issues are of greatest interest for you. Remember: we will only have time to discuss a handful of them, so choose carefully from among the following:

- May an atheist lead services?
- Can you have a virtual minyan?
- Can you tape Shabbat services?
- Can you call a non-cohen up for the first aliyah?
- Can two people have a joint aliyah?
- May Christian groups use the synagogue?
- Does milk need to be labeled "Kosher for Passover"?
- Is a K kosher?
- Is all wine kosher?
- Are tattooing and body piercing permitted?
- Do the laws of family purity and mikveh still apply?
- Are joint Conservative-Reform religious schools permitted?
- May a charity accept ill-gotten gains?
- Is anesthesia permitted at a bris?
- What is the status of a convert whose conversion was not halachic?
- Should we investigate conversions?
- Should there be a special ceremony to recognize a first-born female?
- Are we obligated to donate our organs?
- Is stem cell research permitted?
- What options are permitted in end-stage medical care?
- How do we respond to miscarriage and stillbirth?
- How may we use preimplantation genetic diagnosis?
- Is assisted suicide permitted?
- Are violent and defamatory video games permitted?
- What is the status of intellectual property?
- Is computer privacy protected in the workplace?
- What are the halachic obligations of workers and employers?
- Is whistleblowing required?

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By Cantor Bruce Rockman

Rejoice, remember, reflect, repent and return. Going to shul is a great and wonderful place and it is a state of mind. We are flooded with emotions at this time of year. We reflect on the good and the sad, happy and the bad, a year of new beginnings and poignant conclusions. Emotions crash over us like an ocean wave, the kind that surprises you and the other wave that reflects the gentleness of new life.

Is life as direct as Repentance (Tshuvah), Prayer (Tfilla) Righteousness (Tzdakah)? We read and pray that that these acts have the power to transform the harshness of our destiny.

Repentance requires self critique, a desire and resolve to act in accord with your principles.

Prayer, affirms and bring insight to your religious commitments.

Righteousness, we do act of justice, treat others with care and respect and do acts of loving kindness.

As translated in the Machzor “We do not know how our regret may influence what God writes in the Book of Life and Death. Yet we can transform our experience-however harsh-through how we see ourselves and deal with others-that is, through t’shuvah, t’filla and tz’dakah”.

I am very happy. I have the best family anyone could desire. We love each other, enjoy our time together, we learn and grow and anger is rare. Together we have strengthened and brought meaning to each other’s lives.

I am very thankful. I love my work. We rejoice with songs of celebration, support each other during times of crises and transitions. I am inspired by so many of you, your passion, your drive and your dedication, your love of everything Jewish, and our embrace of all people within our community.

Certainly I have regrets and I resolve to do better. I will love my family with passion and be a better friend. I will love God and protect God’s gifts. I will be more available and understanding to those in need. And remember to care for myself.

I am grateful to our loving God above all. I am humbled to know that I/we stand before God who has granted us the marvels of a world filled with possibilities and the means to accomplish so much.

“The journey through Yom Kippor was a real journey-one not to be measured not by what we feel when it is over, but how we lead our lives in the days and weeks and years afterwards, when the final shofar blast has pierced not only highest reach of the heavens, but the deepest reach of our souls”

Jonathan Magonet

May you have a sweet and happy new year, filled with health, contentment and meaning.

With Joy!

Cantor Bruce Rockman

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The synagogue has an active (and so far, very
 effective) committee for reaching out to
 congregants to provide comfort and support to
 people who are ill, homebound, isolated, and/or
 otherwise in distress. We offer all sorts of custom
 services, not limited to visiting, running errands,
 or providing assistance of all kinds.

The biggest problem the committee faces is simply
 not knowing when such service or assistance is
 needed. The Rabbi and the committee understand
 the need for privacy.

The reasons vary from the fear of business interests
 that could be jeopardized to plain and not-so-simple
 family embarrassments. We want to assure those
 that may be affected, that we are not only aware of
 such concerns but, that it is the cornerstone of the
 committee's operation.

We encourage those who are ill, or know of
 congregants who are, to notify the Rabbi so that
 he can help determine how the committee can offer
 their services. If you have an interest in serving the
 community in confidence, feel free to contact the
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or the
Bikur Cholim Comitee
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ANOTHER VIEWPOINT

Another Calendar

It's New Years in June. I don't mean early Yom Kippur or any other religions' New Years Holiday. I'm talking about the first of the deluge of calendars that I receive from charities and other organizations every year. In today's mail, June 23rd, I opened a heavy envelope with a beautiful color picture 2012 calendar.

From now until the end of the year I will receive 20 or 25 calendars. Some from Jewish religious organizations, some from secular Jewish organizations and some from military, medical, social and some organizations that leave me puzzled as to what their missions may be. All of them come with requests for donations.

Donations to charitable organizations have always been part of my family culture and budget, but it looks like my name has been sold to every charity in the business. One way to check out the legitimacy of a charity is to check with the State of New Jersey Attorney General to see if they are registered in New Jersey and if so, you can find out how much they have collected and what percent is spent on administration or advertising or on the actual service they claim to provide.

As I said above, charity has always been part of my family's culture but it is beginning to look like a new field for enterprising individuals. It seems like every week I receive an invitation to become a member of a new museum.

Now they are either already in business or in the planning stages of a museum for every branch of the military and every war that has taken place on these shores or overseas.

As a World War II veteran, I have deep feelings for all those that have given their lives or health and died in the service of our country. However I would much rather that the effort and finances needed to erect, and maintain these museums, be directed toward the support and rehabilitation of the soldiers, sailors, airmen and women who come home with physical and psychological issues. So many damaged young veterans are wandering the streets of our cities and towns of our country.

Yes, there are some people who simply can't be helped because they will not accept any assistance. But for those who are struggling to put their lives back together and find themselves unable to deal with issues of health, families, physical disabilities, finances, and bureaucratic fences to be climbed, every effort and resource should be directed toward their needs.

Tikun Olam, to heal the world. We don't have far to go to find a way to help and I don't need another museum calendar.

Aaron Rosloff

Our Rabbi's little daughter
Dahlia is her name
Sabba Rabba she calls me
Dahlia climbs onto my lap
She puts her hand on my shoulder
My world stops for a few moments
She climbs back down
Leaving me feeling enriched

On a Shabbat morning service
On the bima stands a couple
With a smiling baby girl
Who will be given
The greatest gift of life
Her very own name

Aaron Rosloff

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A congregation is defined by its community, and a community is defined by those who offer support to others in times of grief or moments of joy. Support is never more needed, or appreciated, when mourning the loss of a loved one.



If you have been the beneficiary of the support that our congregants have provided or if you can imagine how valuable such support can be to a family or member in that situation, I invite you join me and the many others who make such efforts. Visiting a Shivah house is never easy, especially for someone you don't know. It is a mitzvah that can make you feel as a valuable asset to our community.

You may even think to yourself "What good can I possibly do?" As the Rabbi explained to the students of his Adult-Ed lecture on "Death and Mourning".... "If you go into a Shivah house thinking you can accomplish something, you never will. You can only be there to listen and listen hard".

To help understand the Jewish laws and customs regarding the mourning process, I have put together an enhanced CD recording of Rabbi Wolkoff's Adult-Ed lecture. You can pick up a copy at the synagogue office.

And the next time you receive an announcement about the death of someone in our community, I ask that you join me at the Shivah house to, at least, insure we have a Minyan for the family to say Kaddish.

Wishing you well for the new year,

Gary Bergman, President

TODAH RABAH

Todah Rabah to these congregants whose generous donations provided the recent luncheon in appreciation of the Minyan Leaders:

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Matzilation

(v.) Smashing a piece of matzoh to bits while trying to butter it.

Disoriyenta

(n.) When your Aunt is lost in a department store and strikes up a conversation with everyone she meets.

Bubbegum

(n.) Candy one's mother gives to her grandchildren that she never gave to her own children.

LULAV AND ETROG SALE

Sukkot begins on Wednesday night, October 12.

Be sure to have your very own lulav and etrog set for your holiday celebration.

All orders must be received by Wednesday, October 5.



Sets will be available at the synagogue on Tuesday, October 11, following evening minyan or Wednesday morning October 12.

Questions? Contact: Ben Gottesman @ 732-651-7953 or ben.gottesman@gmail.com

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Sisterhood Membership

Let's start the new year together. Join Sisterhood and see what we're all about. We welcome your ideas, participation and enthusiasm.

Dues are \$36 for members (\$26 for seniors) and \$46 for non-synagogue members. Membership Form is located on the CBT web site at www.bnaitikvah.org/sisterhood.pdf.

Please save the date of November 17th for the Paid Up Membership dinner

Sunday, October 23rd at 9:00AM: Welcome to your *foodshed*. Nirit Yadin, formally of **Wisk and the Spoon** will talk about supporting local farms and food producers, which translates into nutritious food, bountiful land, a cleaner environment and a stronger local economy. In this program we map out our *foodshed* (local food system) you will be introduced to local farms, local products and receive hands on advice on how to get the best out of eating. Of course it wouldn't be complete without sampling delicious local foods.

Thursday November 17th: Another wonderful, amazing Paid Up Membership Dinner.

Thursday December 15th: Our own extremely talented Brenda Sherman will work with us on a project/craft that will surely delight!

Sunday, January 22nd, 9AM-12PM: Join us for a really fun time at Chico's for a Wardrobe Party. We will be having breakfast, a lot of fun and retail therapy!!

Thursday, February 16th: This is a joint meeting with the Men's Club. Join us for an educational, interactive discussion on 'Sex after 50'. Dr. Theresa Schaefer has over 21 years experience as the Chief of the Division of Geriatrics at St. Peters University Hospital and now has a private practice: Signature

Health Solutions. Even if you are not quite 50, you will be one day!! Please join us for this very special opportunity to learn and ask questions about the process of aging and how it relates to intimacy.

Thursday March 15th at 8:00PM: Martini Mixology. Learn the history, the recipes and ideas for entertaining.

Sunday April 22nd: Rosh Chodesh with Bobbi Binder. Don't miss this very special event when our very own Bobbi Binder will facilitate this morning's program. What a great opportunity to have fun, be inspired and perhaps learn something new!

Thursday May 10th: Please join us for this very important meeting on the Torah Fund. Our own Ann Rosensweig will be instrumental in overseeing and presenting this program to us.

Gift Shop - Hours are Sunday 9AM-12PM, Wednesday 4PM-6PM or by appointment. Please call Serena Blackin at 732-390-9515

Torah Fund - Your Torah Fund contribution strengthens and perpetuates Conservative Judaism throughout the world. For information on ways you can support Torah Fund, contact Ann Rosenzweig, 732-249-9141.

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 synagogues so tell your local friends about this service! For more information or to order your bima baskets please contact Andrea Katz: macys-mommm@aol.com or 732-329-0687.

Mazel Tosses - Enhance the simcha of your child's special day by having Sisterhood make up soft candy filled bags to sweeten the day! Also great for an ufruf. Contact Joyce Gerbman: Gerbsfam@aol.com or 732-937-5114.

B'NAI TIKVAH YOUTH



I would like to say big congratulations to my Kadima Chapter! We had 11 members attending Encampment this past summer! What an impressive amount of members attending camp. It is great to be an Advisor of such an involved group!

Thanks to all the members who went Apple Picking this year for Rosh Hashanah. I'm sure the Congregation appreciates all of your help.

October 16 – **Sukkah Party at Adam Seidman's**, 397 Halsey Rd, North Brunswick from 5-6:15 pm. Bring your appetite & your creativity. RSVP by 10/12.

October 23 – **Regional Opening Event in Metuchen**. Details to follow in the weekly emails.

October 27 – **BINGO in the Youth Lounge** 7-8:30 pm. Snacks will be served & prizes will be given out. RSVP by 10/23.

All communication besides the Hakol articles each month will be going out through weekly emails. Please make sure if you change your email address during the year, you let me know.

Contact me with questions or concerns throughout the year! Applications are available on <http://www.bnaitikvah.org/app-usy-kadima-2010-11.pdf> and always accepted.

Jordana Andersen (732) 422-7457
btkadima@gmail.com

BOARD MEETING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Board passed a motion for a new ceramic floor the Kiddish Room as requested by the caterer. It will now go to the decorating committee for approval.

14 new “First Year Free” membership for the new year.

Fund raiser for a new Torah will be started this year.

Casino night has been set for Saturday, March 31st .

383 Member Families

228 Full paying members

Youth Committee is working to spruce up the Youth Lounge.

New lines will be put on the parking lot before the holidays.

New energy efficient exterior lights will be installed in the parking lot and on the grounds to improve safety.

Men who are interested in any of the Sisterhood events are welcome to come, with the exception of the paid up membership meeting.

Sisterhood is collecting school supplies for the South Brunswick Food Pantry.

New head of the Cemetery Committee will be Art Cederbaum.

Religious and Nursery Schools have both started and are doing well.

**SOCIAL ACTION
IT'S ALREADY THAT TIME....
HELP A NEEDY FAMILY
FOR THE HOLIDAYS**

Why we run this program? The following is an excerpt of one of the thank you notes we received on behalf of a family we sponsored: "This family has never experienced such great generosity. They felt overjoyed and emotional upon receiving the gifts. The mother told me she was happy to see that her children finally have toys to play with so they are no longer bored at home. The teachers were commenting that they noticed the children's self esteem improve when they came to school proudly dressed in their new clothes. The children are now appropriately dressed for the weather and are even wearing socks which were noticeably missing prior to receiving the gifts. They sleep much more comfortably at night with their new blankets and their heater....."

This is why we run this program...to make a difference in peoples' lives.

Who are these families? These families are all in need. They are referred by various sources including Jewish Family Services, local welfare directors, school social workers and senior centers.

How does this program work? Each family will fill out a wish list of their needs. The wish lists typically include items like towels, sheets, blankets, clothing, shoes, coats and children's toys.

How can you help?

1. Become a **family coordinator** for one family's wish list. This might involve getting your family, friends, co-workers, and merchants to donate the needed items to fulfill the family's wish list.
2. **Volunteer to obtain one or more** of the items on a family's wish list.

Donate money that will be specifically used to purchase items on

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Telephone: _____

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- ___ **I want to donate money that will be specifically used to purchase items on a family's wish list. Checks made payable to Congregation B'nai Tikvah Holiday Program**

Send completed form to Janice Baer, Congregation B'nai Tikvah by November 15th

Any questions, call Janice Baer 732-940-0268 or Jbbd11@verizon.net

Forms are also on the synagogue website.

Checks should be made payable to Congregation B'nai Tikvah Holiday Program.

PLEASE RESPOND BY NOVEMBER 18th

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Whew! The Torah has something to say about preimplantation genetic diagnosis?! Who knew? The rabbis weren't kidding when they said of the Torah, "Turn it and turn it and you'll find everything in it!"

So pay your money and take your choice. Actually, you already did pay your money, so just make your choice. Call Roz (732 297 0696) and let her know what interests you. And together we'll listen to the beating heart of Jewish civilization, halachah.

COLLEGE CONNECTION...

It is vitally important to maintain ties with our college age congregants. Help us keep our young adults in contact with Jewish traditions, ideas and activities. A committee will be sending care packages to congregant's children from B'nai Tikvah and we need your help by completing and returning the information below so your child can be included in this custom. Please contact me if you need further information or if you would like to be on the committee.

*B'shalom,
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College Student Registration

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*** Please note that College Connection does not send care packages to grandchildren ***



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Congregation B'nai Tikvah Religious School

Dear Religious School Parents,

I hope that the first day of Religious School lived up to your hope. I am looking forward to a fantastic year. This month we have two JET programs, the Aleph and the Bet JET programs. As we move forward with these programs, please feel free to mention the good and suggest the better (improvements).

I want to thank Heidi for helping the Religious School with a fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who purchased one of her beautiful bags and thank you to everyone who purchased a school backpack. Fundraisers are so important. For example, the Religious School children can now use the grassy area in the nursery school playground. We will be able to study outside during the nice weather. This area became a reality due to the fund-raising efforts of the Nursery School Director, Phyllis Denenberg. Please continue to support our fundraisers, the children are the beneficiaries.

Please mark your calendar- you will be able to visit your child's classroom on Sunday, October 30th. You will be able to spend twenty minutes in each class. Visitation will begin at 9:30 a.m. and end at 10:30 a.m. This will give you the opportunity to visit multiple classrooms if you have more than one child in Religious School.

Coffee and pastry will be available in the youth lounge. Feel free to sit, relax and enjoy. I will be available to answer any questions you may have. Remember, this is not the time to ask the teachers questions about your child. If you wish to speak to the teacher, please make an appointment.

Join us for the Religious School Education Meeting on October 24th. Your input is valuable.

B'Shalom,
Ann Ruth Nimberg
Education Director

OCTOBER EVENTS

October 2	Music
October 9	JET Aleph Program – 9:00 a.m.
October 12	Erev Sukkot (No School)
October 16	Music
October 19	Erev Shemini Atzeret (No School)
October 23	JET Bet Program – 9:00 a.m., Music
October 24	Religious School Education Committee Meeting 8 p.m.
October 30	Classroom Visitation 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

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at 6:00 pm



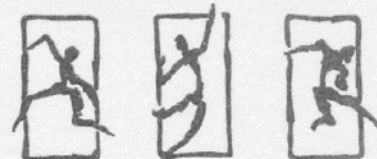
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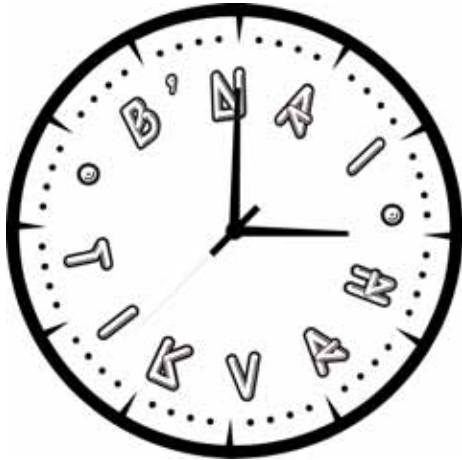
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October	1	6:30 pm
October	8	4:40 pm
October	15	6:00 pm
October	22	5:15 pm
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October	29	5:45 pm

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October	28	5:43 pm

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October	1	7:22 pm
October	8	7:10 pm
October	15	7:00 pm
October	22	6:50 pm

SUKKOT SCHEDULE

October	9	9:00 am	Raise the Roof (Build the Sukkah)
October	12	6:00 pm	Hunan in the Hut
October	12	7:30 pm	Sukkot Ma'ariv
October	13	9:30 am	1st day of Sukkot
October	13	7:00 pm	Mincha and Ma'ariv
October	14	9:30 am	2nd day of Sukkot
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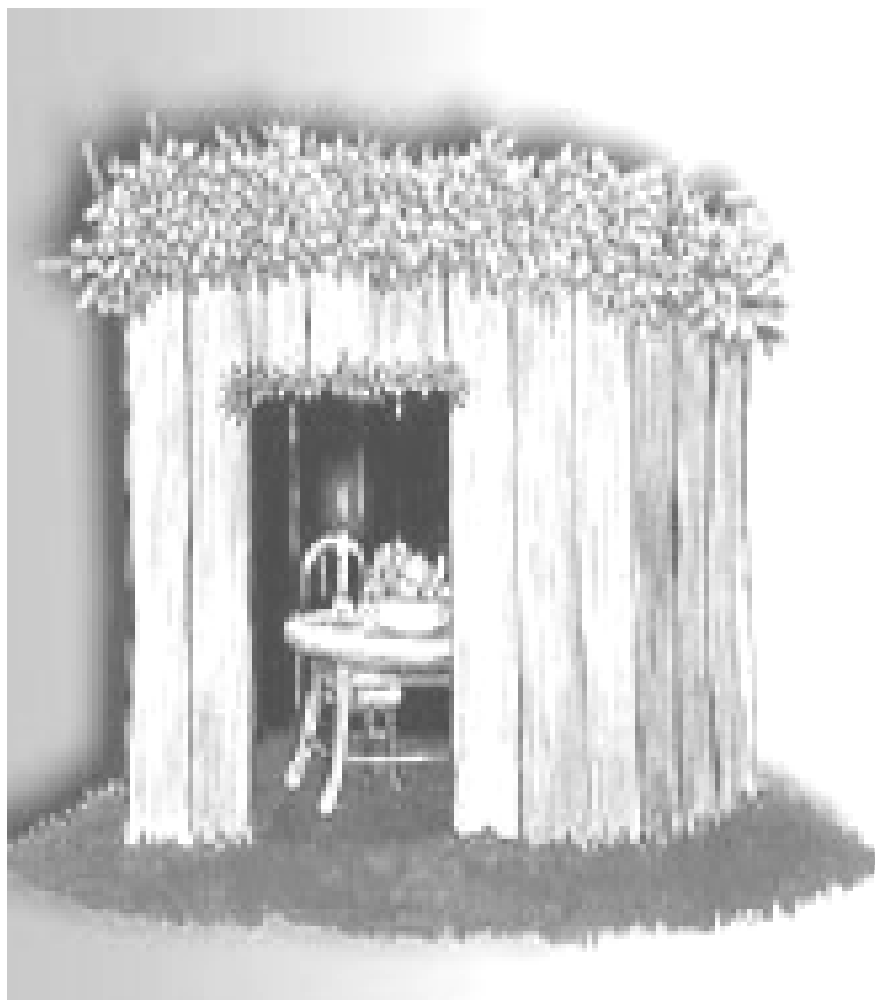
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 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 at 9:00 am

COMING IN NEXT MONTH

- November 4 Shabbat Dinner
- November 10 Feed the Children
- November 11 Birthday Shabbat
- November 17 Sisterhood Paid up Membership
- November 18 Family Shabbat Service
- November 19 Seudah and Study
- November 20 Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at 8:00 pm

Craig Taubman
 is coming to B'nai Tikvah

SUNDAY
December 11 at 4 PM

The L'dor Vador
Concert

BT Sisterhood Program: **Welcome to your *foodshed*.**

When: Sunday, October 22nd, 2011

Time: 9:00 am



Nirit Yadin, formerly of *Wisk and the Spoon* will talk about supporting local farms and food producers, which translates into nutritious food, bountiful land, a cleaner environment and a stronger local economy.

In this program we map out our *foodshed* (local food system) you will be introduced to local farms, local products and receive hands on advice on how to get the best out of eating.

Of course it wouldn't be complete without sampling delicious local foods.

This is a program not to be missed.

NURSERY



SCHOOL

School is off to a great start. Adjustments to separation from parents have been made.

We are awaiting more participants for our Mommy & Me and Toddler Fun classes. Please pass on this information to family or friends so we can start these programs soon!

Our 3's and Pre-k classes went to Giamarese Farm in East Brunswick last month. They went on a hayride and picked apples, just in time for Rosh Hashannah..

We started our free Shabbat Together program for children (ages 18 months to 4 years old) along with a parent, grandparent or caretaker. It is an hour program from 10:45 to 11:45 on Friday mornings once or twice per month. The first half hour is with Morah Phyllis (Denenberg) where the children learn about Shabbat or a holiday and then create an art project. The second half is spent in various classrooms joining their individual Shabbat Party or the school wide Shabbat Party. Both Rabbi Wolkoff and Cantor Rockman participated in this program. The schedule is on our website along with a registration form.

Our first fundraiser for this year was the Rosh Hashannah Bake sale. Thank you for all those who participated. We hope all of you who ordered the challahs and baked goods enjoyed them. The Nursery school sells challahs all year round as a fundraiser. Challahs can be picked up on Fridays. If you are interested in ordering, please contact the school office.

We have started our **Kidstuff** coupon book sale. We sold some of them at the Rejoice Festival. They are similar to the Entertainment books. Families save money on clothing, shoes, sporting goods, toys, activities, electronics, food (including Shoprite) and more. They make a great gift. The cost is \$25.00 per book and is available in the school office.

Our upcoming fundraisers include "**Fun Pasta**", and in December, the Barnes & Noble Book Fair and our Chanukah Regifting Boutique.

Please check out some of the new items we purchased with our fundraising money. In our "backyard", you will find a section of the playground that is now covered with "Wondergrass". We also have two new benches; one in the playground area and one in the "grassy" area. The grassy area was used by our day camp in the summer and will be used by our classes during the school year. I have spoken to Mrs. Nimberg, the Religious School Director and have offered use of the grassy area for outdoor Religious school classes.

This month, all classes will learn about the holidays of Yom Kippur and Sukkot. Decorations for the shul sukkah and their own family sukkahs will be created and the brachot (blessings) on the lulav and etrog will be made. We will snack in the sukkah whenever the weather permits. Flags and Torahs will be designed for Simchat Torah. The children will march with them up and down the halls!

Yoga with Miss Joann (our new yoga teacher) will be every other week. Soccer with Coach Spencer or Coach Eddie will take place on a monthly basis.

The week of October 24th we will read Parshat Noach. We will be learning about Noah and the ark. Some of Noah's farm animals will be visiting us including ponies for riding! Each class will be making projects and doing activities relating to this topic.

Until next month.. Phyllis

WAS YOUR FAMILY'S PROPERTY TAKEN DURING THE HOLOCAUST?

If you or your family owned movable, immovable, or intangible property that was confiscated, looted or forcibly sold in countries governed or occupied by the Nazi forces or Axis powers during the Holocaust era and you or your relatives received no restitution for that property after the Holocaust era, you may be eligible to participate in the Holocaust Era Asset Restitution Taskforce project (**Project HEART**).

Project HEART is a nonprofit initiative of the Jewish Agency for Israel (JAFI), with the support of the Government of Israel, Project HEART—aims to provide the tools, strategy, and information to enable the Government of Israel, the project, and its partners to bring about a small measure of justice to eligible heirs of Jewish victims, the victims themselves, and the Jewish people. Project HEART is focusing on identifying individuals with potential claims, regarding the following types of private property for which no restitution was received after the Holocaust era: (1) private property that was located in countries that were controlled by the Nazi forces or Axis powers at any time during the Holocaust era; and (2) private property that belonged to Jewish persons as defined by Nazi/Axis racial laws; and (3) private property that was confiscated, looted, or forcibly sold by the Nazi forces or Axis powers during the Holocaust era.

“Many victims of the Holocaust returned to their homes to find that they had no ability to recover their own property,” said Natan Sharansky, Jewish Agency for Israel’s Chairman. “This is the first time since the Holocaust that a general comprehensive program is being launched to gather information with the eventual purpose of receiving compensation for property looted, stolen, or forcibly sold during the Holocaust. This will be an opportunity for many people to finally receive compensation for property that was taken from them and their families during the Holocaust era.”

Jewish Holocaust victims and their heirs worldwide whose families owned movable, immovable, or intangible personal property that was confiscated, looted, or forcibly sold in countries governed or occupied by the Nazi forces or Axis powers during the Holocaust era are eligible. The only limitation for application is if restitution has been made to a victim or the victim’s heirs for that property after the Holocaust era; then they are not eligible for further restitution in connection with that property.

“It is not necessary to have evidence of property ownership to be eligible. If individuals believe they owned or were beneficiaries of such property, they should fill out the Questionnaire,” stated Anya Verkhovskaya, Project Director.

Eligible properties for Project HEART include private properties of all kinds:

- (1) **IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**, an item of property that cannot be moved without destroying or altering it. This includes items of real estate such as developed land, including any buildings on it, and land without buildings.
- (2) **MOVABLE PROPERTY**, any property that can be moved from one location to another. This may include art, Judaica, livestock, professional tools, precious metals, precious stones, jewelry, and other movable property.
- (3) **INTANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY**, personal property that cannot actually be moved, touched, or felt but instead represents something of value. This may include negotiable instruments such as stocks, bonds, insurance policies, savings accounts, registered patents, dowry policies, and other intangible personal property. It may also include negative assets—debts and liabilities owed to the individual—such as outstanding loans and mortgages.

“Because of the immeasurable damage that was done to Jewish individuals and communities from the time their property was confiscated, Project HEART was put together as an initiative to reach out to those whose pain we can never imagine, but whom we can assist in the process of gathering data, which will hopefully and ultimately aid them in retrieving what is rightfully theirs,” said Bobby Brown of JAFI.

“Belated, yet vital steps to partially redress the terrible wrongdoing committed during the Holocaust era in relation to asset restitution are now being taken with Project HEART.

A simple eligibility process has been established. To participate, individuals only need to fill out the Questionnaire that may be found on the website www.heartwebsite.org.

Questionnaires will be processed based on agreements with relevant governments or authorities in their efforts to achieve restitution.

**For more information or to download
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