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A Message From Rabbi Robert Wolkoff



Freedom. What is it all about?

There was once a Jewish soldier in World War II who served as an infantryman, slogging his way through France to Germany. He was informed that other soldiers had found a Jewish man hiding in the woods, and he wanted to know if there were any Jews among the American soldiers.

The Jewish soldier ran to meet the man. He was gaunt and unshaven. As he got closer to him, the Jewish soldier was overwhelmed with emotion, feeling as if he was somehow part of this man's liberation. The soldier reached out to the man when he asked in Yiddish, "Are you a Jew?", and responded enthusiastically, "Yes, I am a Jew!"

And the man came closer, spit in the soldier's face, and said, "You came too late."

You came too late.

He walked away, and the soldier never saw the man again.

The soldier came to realize that the American Jewish community did not do enough to prevent the Holocaust, and that when our people are in need or in danger, we must never be too late.

The soldier, named Larry Weinberg, went on to become one of the great lay leaders of American Jewry, and served as President of AIPAC, America's pro-Israel lobby and one of the biggest players in Washington, D.C.

So, what is freedom all about? Freedom is about not being late in desperate times.

During the next few weeks, we commemorate Pesach, our ancient time of liberation...

Yom Hashoah, when we indeed were too late...

and

Yom Haatzmaut, when the State of Israel was born, in part to ensure that we were never late again. And just before Yom Haatzmaut,

Yom Hazikaron, Israel's Memorial Day for its fallen soldiers — a reminder that freedom is never free.

At this time of our liberation, let us remember what we were liberated for. Let us thank G-d that He was not too late to save us; and pledge that we will not be too late to save others.

Anything else is, one way or another, just slavery by a different name.

Pesach kasher v'sameach,

Rabbi Robert L. Wolkoff

From the Desk of Cantor Bruce Rockman



We're Going to Israel

We will celebrate the 64th anniversary of
The State of Israel's Independence
on Sunday April 29th at 11AM

Dearest Friends,

My family, Israel, and the Jewish people center my identity as a Jew. I greatly value these 3 concrete manifestations that give my life purpose and meaning. Purpose, meaning, and love, - - God has blessed me with every possibility that exists in my life. I am humbled by God, the Holy One; I am indebted to God's awesomeness and filled with gratitude for such incredible riches.

Israel is the most special place on earth. When I am there, the symmetry of life makes sense to me. In Israel, I feel as if I have returned home, I love being there. Stacey and I are planning a family trip to Israel this summer. Being in Israel with my wife and children is the fulfillment of a promise: this will be a dream come true. Life in Israel with my family will be off the charts incredible.

Rabbi Wolkoff once taught us that our religious objects and places lack meaning without our spiritual connection and acceptance of God. I know this to be true, but "Do First, Understand Later." The Israelites accepted the Torah and God with the understanding "Naaseh V'nishma--we will do and we will hear. "Do First, Understand Later." Even with a decent understanding of Judaism, as a young man, my first trip to Israel gave clarity to this statement like no other

verse, and helped me to grow in ways that did not seem possible to me. My journey has been long, I was confused, my first visit to Israel gave me clarity and understanding of what my life was going to look like.

At B'nai Tikvah, I try to express my passion in a number of ways; teaching B'nai Mitvah students, as cantor, leading your prayers, creating special programs such as L'dor Vador, The Sons of Tikvah Band, and writing to you in Hakol are among the ways that we connect. I'm sure if you could, you would sign up now for a trip to Israel. One day, we will go there together.

This year, we all will celebrate Israel and prepare for our future trips to Israel here at B'nai Tikvah. On Sunday, April 29th, at 11AM in our multipurpose room, we will dance, sing, and eat Israeli food. We will celebrate and resolve to connect with Israel like never before. We will celebrate the 64th anniversary of The State of Israel's Independence with joy.

Many of you have had the opportunity to spend time in Israel and feel at least as passionately about Israel as I do; we are the fortunate few. About a year ago, when Stacey and I were unable to organize enough people to join us for a proposed trip to Israel, we were very sad. We were unable to build up enough excitement and interest. I promised Stacey that we would go back to Israel very soon, and we will this summer. We are regularly asked if we have any safety concerns, yes we do. We almost cancelled our plans again because of these concerns, but we resolved that we can trust our safety to the Israeli and American governments which will advise and inform us in case of a serious threat. Bashe and Rafi will never forget this trip. What they won't understand they will feel, and they will know that Israel is a part of them, our legacy.

"...Bless the Land with peace, and its inhabitants with lasting joy. And let us say Amen.

B'simcha, with Joy!

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BT DAYTIMERS

The following programs are scheduled:

March	20	Musical Program
April	17	Gene Rickel, Police officer
May	15	Christ Mazauskas, Storyteller
June	19	Flavian, Mind Reader

The BT Daytimers had their meeting on
 Tuesday, February 21 at 1:00 in the afternoon.
 A crowd of more than 20 people spent an
 enjoyable hour being entertained with magical /
 illusions by R.J. Lewis.

The entertainment was followed by a short
 meeting. The dues has been set at \$18 annually,
 which will start on March 1 of each year.

The next board meeting will be on Tuesday, March
 6 at 1:00. The next general program will be on
 Tuesday, March 20 also starting at 1:00.

ORT Argentina

ORT Argentina students regularly walk away
 with gold, silver and bronze medals in national
 and international competitions. Imagine, Citroen
 Argentina recently collaborated with ORT
 Argentina on a "concept car"; the students built
 and marketed it and the company exhibited it at
 the Buenos Aires International Auto Show.

ORT Argentina plays a pivotal role in sustaining
 the country's Jewish community, with more than
 80% of Jewish students in Buenos Aires attending
 an ORT institution. Success is personal as well as
 academic and technical. Students and staff main-
 tain a close-knit community and students are
 taught to support and encourage each other.

Today, more than 8,000 students are enrolled in the
 city's two schools, while an extensive waiting list
 grows. Funds from ORT America have helped
 to improve academic programs and to put the
 finishing touches on a third high school campus
 that will relieve overcrowding.

The Importance of Early Childhood Jewish Education

By Phyllis G. Denenberg

The JCC of North and South Brunswick Nursery School and Day Camp is a branch of Congregation Bnai Tikvah. We provide half-day and full-day programs for children aged 2 ½ through 5. We also provide a variety of free classes for younger children, 12 months to 2-years old (Shabbat Together and currently, My Kid &Me).

Although we are not a daycare facility, we do provide extended hours from 7:30 AM until 6:30 PM in order to accommodate working parents. Our environment is nurturing and exudes warmth. This is a second home for our children and their families. The education received here is top notch!

We were recently informed that on February 15, 2012, seven of our former students were inducted into the National Honor Society at South Brunswick High School. A good education starts at the JCC! We are so proud of them!



Pictured from left to right: Noah Cadoff, Brett Peters, Alyssa Kirsch, Lexi Orlan, Hannah Sichel, Natalie Falk & Simone Klein

All seven were among the twenty- four classmates who started their educational journey together in 1998 at the JCC of North & South Brunswick Nursery School and where graduated in 2000.



Teachers: (top row) Mrs. Goldberg, Mrs. Maria Lesko, Mrs. Ina Horn
Students (top row): xx, Noah Cadoff, Natalie Falk, x, Alyssa Kirsch, xx, xx, Brett Peters
Middle row: xx, Lexi Orlan, xx, Simone Klein, xx, xx,xx, Hannah Sichel

Our students are well prepared for kindergarten whether they continue on in public school or private day school. We, together with our families produce mensches! Our population is mostly Jewish, but is multicultural- - the better to learn to be tolerant of all people.

I have attended numerous conferences and workshops given by Maxine Segal Handelman, the Early Childhood consultant for USCJ. She states that “an excellent synagogue early childhood program addresses all aspects of the young child's development, combining a child's need to run and sing, and build with blocks, and paint, and read, and learn to use scissors, and make friends and celebrate life, and become part of a community.”

According to Ms. Handelman, “An excellent, integrated Jewish early childhood program lays the foundation for a strong, joyful Jewish identity for each child, and paves a welcoming path into Jewish life for each family. Synagogues with populations of young families have a responsibility to create an atmosphere of lifelong Jewish learning, beginning with the youngest children and their families. Many new relationships and skills will need

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ANOTHER VIEWPOINT

A Peek at the Past

War was brewing in Europe and we all felt it was only a matter of time until America would become involved. In the winter of 1941 - 1942, I worked at Middletown Air Depot near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania where I took several courses in aircraft engines. I lived in a rooming house nearby, run by Ethel, a prudish old maid, where I made some very good friends among the other young men who also worked at the air depot.

My best friend was George Laickan. George was a bit older than the other boys and we hit it off from the start. Fifty years later, and 3000 miles apart, we were in touch.

George got married that year and brought his bride back to our rooming house in Harrisburg. We had to make a few changes in sleeping accommodations so that they could have a room to themselves, and Esther became our combination housemother and mascot.

I talked so much to Esther about Mili that it was decided to invite Mili to spend a weekend with us in Harrisburg. Poor George! Just married and he had to spend two nights cramped into a bed with me and another fellow while Mili slept with Esther. Poor Ethel! Our landlady had never had any female roomers and now with two of them in her house at the same time, she was certain that the devil was at work here. Later, George and Esther and Mili and I reminisced about that story for many years. Ethel, our landlady, had a way of making us feel deliciously wicked even though we were as innocent as babes.

War had come and in June of 1942, I enlisted in what was then called the U.S. Army Air Corps (later to be named the United States Air Force). My friends made a little going-away party for me and I proposed to Mili and we became engaged.

She accepted. My father, honest soul that he was, called her aside to ask her if she understood what she was doing. At eighteen, we all think we know what we are doing. I guess she didn't but she said she did.

I went off to the army. We wrote long letters and decided to get married whenever I could get a pass. I burned those letters when the kids got old enough to read.



I was afraid of spontaneous combustion.

Aaron Rosloff

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Next sessions:

Thursday, April 26, at 8:00 pm

Wednesday, May 16 at 8:00 pm



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Please check out our 2 Bulletin Boards in the Synagogue. Pictures from all events are always added & updated..

Game Night was a lot of fun in the Youth Lounge on February 27th. Thanks to Ruth Shindler who helped out by covering for me. The kids had a blast with you!

Once again, the Purim Carnival was a huge success. Thanks to those 8th Graders who helped our USY Chapter in running the Carnival.

By the time you read this, we will have had the following event –

March 25th

Chocolate Seder at Devin Tanner's house.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 2nd

“Are You Smarter Then a USYer?” Join us in the Youth Lounge from 7-8:30 pm. This is an added event to our calendar. Snacks will be served. Don't miss this joint event with our USY Chapter. Hope we win! RSVP by 3/29.

April 15th

Glass Fusion Project at Red Green Blue, 4 Hulfish St, Princeton from 3-4:15 pm. We will meet at the Red Green Blue crafts studio and create our own Glass Fusion Project. Check out the website <http://www.redgreenblueonline.com/index.htm>. The cost is either \$13 for a small project or \$23 for a medium project & the Youth Fund will pick up the remaining cost. RSVP by 4/9.

April 30th

Kadima welcomes the 5th Graders for our Ice Cream Social in the Youth Lounge from 6:30-7:45 pm. RSVP by 4/26.

In addition to the Hakol articles each month, all communications will be going out through weekly emails. Please make sure if you change your email address during the year, you let me know.

Scholarships are available to help with some of the costs for programs. Please contact Steve Juro at 732-960-1215.

All conversations are confidential.

Contact me with questions or concerns throughout the year! Applications are available at bnaitikvah.org/app-usy-kadima-2011-12.pdf and always accepted.

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February was an action-packed month for our USYers! The rest of March and the month of April promise to be busy and fun, too. On February 16th, we had a fantastic event, borrowed from our Kadimaniks. Mike the Chocolate Guy showed 20 USYers how to make their very own chocolate bars, with delicious extras such as marshmallows, pretzels, and Oreos. In addition to the bars, which they were able to take home, there also was a short lesson on Israeli geography which became a map made out of, and decorated with, chocolate.

Our next event was Purim Planning on the 21st of the month. Well attended with 18 creative USYers, we ate delicious pizza and made booth signs for the Purim Carnival. We also took the opportunity to have everyone together to take a few group pictures, as well as sign up for booths to run at the carnival. The signs were awesome and everyone had a great time.

Next was USY Takes Over Shabbat the weekend of the 24th-25th. Leading everything from the Friday night service to Havdallah, 17 USYers participated, while several more were there for support. It was an extremely proud moment for the USYers parents, who thanked them by making a delicious lunch for the congregation.

The next day, the USYers went ice skating at the Roosevelt Park Outdoor Skating Rink in Edison. We invited other chapters and had a great turnout. Everyone had a great time skating outside – this is definitely an event we will bring back next year.

The Regional Junior/Senior Prom in Clark on March 3rd was a BLAST for our juniors and seniors. They all had a fantastic time dressing up and hanging out with friends.

The next morning, USY took charge of B'nai Tikvah's annual Purim Carnival by volunteering to run each booth. The USYers had a great time helping the younger kids with the games, ate delicious food provided by the Shushan Market, and selflessly

volunteered most of their day to the best Purim Carnival around. By the time you read this article, the following events will have taken place:

Thursday, March 15th – 90s Night with EB-USY, EW-USY, HP-USY & Metuchen-USY

Sunday, March 18th – Mr. Hagalil

Tuesday, March 20th – Don't Forget the Lyrics

UPCOMING EVENTS:

On Monday, April 2nd, USY & Kadima will be teaming up for our first joint event of the year! The event, titled "Are You Smarter Than a Kadimanik/USYer?," will bring everyone together for a fun quiz game based on the popular television show, "Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader?" We will be using grade-school-level questions and USYers will play against Kadimaniks to win great prizes! Snacks will be provided. There is no cost for this event.

On Saturday evening, April 21st, our chapter will be hosting a unique event called "Babies 'R' US(Y)." We'll lots of laughs reliving childhood by dressing up, playing children's games, eating kid-friendly foods (such as mac & cheese!), and more. This event will be a SA/TO event and everyone is asked to please bring an item for a baby, worth about \$5, to be donated after the event. We also will be inviting our neighboring chapters. The additional cost of this event is \$5.

**More April events to follow –
please check your emails for
communication from
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for weekly updates!**

Scholarships are available to help with some of the costs of USY programs. Please contact Steve Juro at 732-960-1215. All conversations are strictly confidential.

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The Man Who Made Coca-Cola Kosher

You may not of heard the name Rabbi Tuvia Geffen before but he was one a the few people outside of Coca-Cola's inner circle who new the secret formula. He was born in Kovno, Lithuania on August 1, 1870 and studied to be a Rabbi in Kovno and Grodno, Lithuania were he was ordained. In 1898 he married Sara Hene Rabinowitz. They had 8 children and many grandchildren. In 1910 they move to Atlanta, Georgia were he became the Rabbi at Shearith Israel, a position he held until his death in February 10, 1970.

He set about establishing Kashrut standards for the area. In the early 1930s, his daughter, Helen, was studying food chemistry at the University of Georgia. For a class project she decided to analyzed the contents of Coca-Cola and found out that it contained glycerin ,derived from animal fat.

This disturbed Rabbi Geffin due to the fact that some of the Rabbi's in the area had certified that Coca-Cola was kosher. They were not aware of all of the ingredients that it contained, including glycerin from animal fat and corn syrup.

Rabbi Geffen contacted Harold Hirsch, a prominent man in the Atlanta Jewish Community and head of Coca-cola's legal department. The Rabbi told him that if something wasn't done about the problem he would go public with the information that Coca-Cola was not Kosher.

Harold Hirsh went to the president and founder of Coca-Cola, Asa Candler, who became upset at the prospect of losing customers especially because he wanted to go global with his product.

Rabbi Geffen was let in on the secret formula. The company agreed to accept substitutes for the oil of glycerin derived from beef tallow and for a corn based derivate used during Passover.

He is also known for starting Atlanta's first Hebrew school and for standing by Leo Frank, a Jewish man falsely accused of murdering a young Christian girl. After Frank's lynching in 1915, the rabbi urged his congregants not to flee the South. During Passover, 1915, he spoke to Congress about passing immigration restrictions that " have slammed shut the doors of the country before the wanders, the strangers, and those who walk in darkness from place to place."

"Sex as We Age: How Hormones Affect Us"

Thursday, May 3rd, 2012 8:00 pm

Dr. Teresa Schaer has over 21 years of experience as the Chief of the Division of Geriatrics at St. Peters University Hospital and is now the Founder and Medical Director of the Signature Health Solutions Private Practice.

Dr. Schaer was invited by the Sisterhood and the Men's Club to discuss sex as we age in relation to hormones, vitamins, thyroid and sleep, among other things.

Grab your spouse or come alone and listen to what Dr. Schaer has to say. You may find the discussion very enlightening.



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Congregation B'nai Tikvah Religious School

Ann Ruth Nimberg
Religious School Principal



Dear Religious School Parents,

The second Dalet Family Education Program will be held on Sunday, April 15th, at 9:30 a.m., in the gym. The focus of this program will once again be Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

The final elementary evaluations to address the educational needs of the students will be given on Wednesday, April 18th. If there is any concern about your child's progress, you will receive a letter and a conference will be requested. As always, our goal is for each child to meet with success.

On Sunday, April 22nd, Rabbi Wolkoff will hold the final Chai Breakfast. The Bet Class also will have its Family Education Program on Sunday, April 22nd. The program will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the gym. Please send in \$20.00 per family; the Religious School will pay all additional costs.

The Bet Class Service will be held on Friday evening, April 27th. Please have your children arrive at 7:30 p.m. Services are at 8:00 p.m. Mazal Tov to all the Bet students and their families.

On the fifth of Iyar 5708, May 14, 1948, Medinat Yisrael, the State of Israel, was founded. The following day, Israel was attacked by five Arab armies but emerged victorious. A new nation with its own language, modern Hebrew, was born.

In Israel, Yom Ha'Atzmaut is preceded by Yom Hazikaron, the day of remembering those who died fighting for the state. The solemnity of this day is followed by the exuberance of celebration on Israel's Independence Day. The Religious School and Sons of Tikvah will celebrate Yom Ha'Atzmaut together with a special program. This program will be held on Sunday, April 29th.

APRIL EVENTS

April 1 - 11	Spring Break (No School)
April 15	Dalet Family Education Program
April 18	Hebrew Evaluations
April 22	Chai Breakfast with the Rabbi, Bet Family Education Program
April 23	Religious School Committee Meeting
April 27	Bet Service

Bikur Cholim

HOW IT FEELS TO BUILD A COMMUNITY

Hilary Friedman,
Bikur Cholim Committee
chair



In the Genesis narrative, God observes that humanity is corrupt and decides to destroy all life. However, "Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation, [and] Noah walked with God," and so God gives him instructions for the ark, into which he is told to bring "two of every sort [of animal]...male and female ... everything on the dry land in whose nostrils was the breath of life."

As a Jewish people, we were rebuilt two by two. As a committee we began with two and then one plus one plus one . . . and soon we were a caring community - that's us, the Bikur Cholim Committee.

In June of 2010, I walked into the synagogue office and spoke to Lynne about whether or not there was a committee that visited the sick. Lynne responded That, ironically, Jill Stone had recently asked her the same question. I left the office with Jill's phone number and an idea. Within a short time, Jill and I met at the local diner and, over a Sunday breakfast, a committee of two was born.

Soon after, we met with the Rabbi and Gary Bergman (two more) and with their approval and, with their approval and guidance, we began our work. Technically speaking, we are a direct link to the Rabbi and it was Gary's job to make sure we minded our p's and q's—not to mention do all the web stuff! There were many ideas shared and decisions made regarding Get Well Cards, Goody Baskets for members in the hospital, Prayer Books, and more. The model for the committee's work had begun to take shape.

During the Fall, Mark Kasdin, Janice Baer, and Allen

Pinsky entered the fold. A bit into the following year, we were lucky enough to have Charlene Nass and Harriet Hershenov join us. Reaching out to Anna Hoffman, a Bat Mitzvah student who worked with us as well, really extended the generations of our group. The committee continued to grow and I began to experience a sense of community that I had not noticed before.

When we asked for volunteers to occasionally prepare food, pick up and deliver food, we received immediate responses. These congregants choose to remain nameless and they join us on an "as needed" basis when things get busy. Without these helpers, we would be unable to continue to give our attention to as many of the people who need us.

Imagine, people of different genders and generations coming together to build an ideal model for serving congregants in what usually is a very difficult time in their lives. It is the diversity in our committee which has given us the best result and has created a community of people who share their ideas and actions in order to help others.

I cannot fully express the emotions brought on by being a part of something so meaningful. There is pride in being a part of the Bikur Cholim Committee. It is more than just helping others and knowing that you did something good. There is a deep and special feeling knowing that whether you created the idea, carried out the action' or were simply part of the discussion that creates a bond among the members of the committee - this emotion extends to those we serve, thereby linking us together in a rather unique way.

Our work is not performed in the synagogue. More often than not, our calls, emails, and communications are handled outside of our once-a-month meetings and outside the temple walls. Yet, the work we do, the people who do it, and the people who receive it, have a shared emotional connection. The holiness and the spirituality of the work we do enhances our sense of purpose and a feeling that we are living a truly Jewish life.

It is the all-encompassing experience of being a part of something so meaningful which defines the true sense of community.

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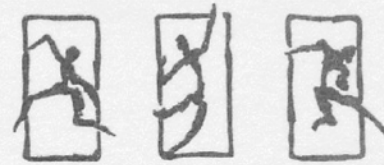
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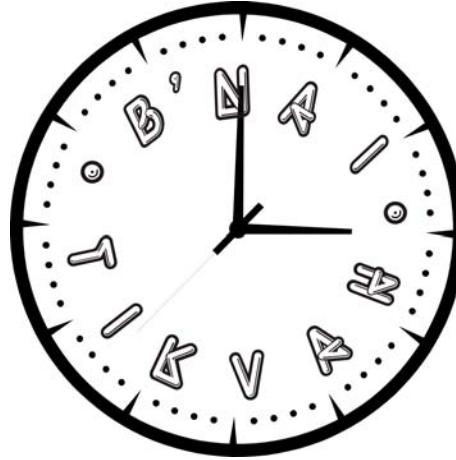
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April	7th	See Passover Schedule
April	14th	7:15 pm
April	21st	7:30 pm
April	28th	7:30 pm

PASSOVER SCHEDULE

April	5th	Search for Hametz	8:15 pm
April	6th	Fast of the Firstborn	
		Shacharit and Siyyum	7:30 am
April	6th	Latest time to eat Hametz	10:50 am
April	6th	Burn Hametz	11:55 am
April	6th	Kabbalat Shabbat & Ma'ariv	6:05 pm
April	7th	Shabbat am, 1st day Pesach	9:30 am
April	7th	Mincha	6:00 pm
April	8th	2nd day pesach	10:00 am
April	8th	Mincha, Ma'ariv, Havdalah	7:30 pm
April	12th	Ma'ariv	7:30 pm
April	13th	7th day Pesach	9:30 am
April	13th	Kabbalat Shabbat & Ma'ariv	8:00 pm
April	14th	Shabbat & 8th day Pesach	9:30 am
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April	14th	Mincha, Ma'ariv, Havdalah	7:15 pm

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April	6th	7:09 pm
April	13th	7:17 pm
April	20th	7:24 pm
April	27th	7:31 pm

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April	7th	8:10 pm
April	14th	8:18 pm
April	21st	8:26 pm
April	28th	8:35 pm

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We also have acquired a set of Scott's Stamp Catalog so our "closet" stamp collectors can check out what they have and might need.

We also are the beneficiaries of a gift from the North Brunswick Library of some very interesting and varied Judaica. I would love to have you check out these works. Please borrow and read them. Than, give me your opinion for us to follow up on. (Are they worth adding to our collection or should we regift them elsewhere?) Contact me thru the office, at ANND-YAPT@AOL.COM or at 732-249-9141

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Notes of Board of Directors Meeting March 5, 2012

The floor, walls, and bar in Kiddush room are done. Starting to get quotes for a sanctuary revamp.

Going to call in an architect/designer to make sure that it will be done correctly.

The carpet in the youth lounge has been installed . The HVAC unit in the sanctuary has been replaced and is working.

The hot water heater which supplies the caterer, along with the two bathrooms near the sanctuary, needs to be replaced.

Looking for ideas to improve the coat room.

Several people have volunteered to help with the website and the webmaster is looking for more.

Art Shamsky, former NY Mets outfielder, will be the speaker for the Israel Bond Breakfast on April 15th.

Cemetery committee is going to meet shortly. As a reminder, it was stated that if you should need a cemetery plot you must be a member of B'nai Tikvah in good standing. We are not allowed to sell plots to anyone else.

April 18 will be the start of our budget process for next year. The school has already started looking at its budget needs for 2013.

Looking into starting a Young Couples Club.

It was decided to abolish the Supermarket Scrip Program. Dues will be increased by \$120 but you still can buy scrip and up to \$120 of it will be deducted from your annual charges. Anything above that amount will go into the fundraising account.

The new system will start August 1, 2012.

Also starting on that date: people who pay their dues monthly will be able to do it automatically by VISA or MasterCard Credit cards may be used for dues and Religious School payments. We are PCI compliant, so the information will be secure Rejoice has been moved to December 2, 2012.

L'dor Vador has been moved to April 28, 2013.

USY did a terrific job leading services on February 24th and 25th.

Casino Night is progressing nicely and will be held on Saturday, March 31st.

The nominating committee will be meeting to put together names for next year's Board, Trustees, and other committee leaders. Any volunteers?

B'nai Mitzvah April 2012



Alex Pollock
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April 28

COMING NEXT MONTH

May 6	Sisterhood Fundraiser
May 7	Board of Directors
May 10	Nursery School Picnic Sisterhood Elections Lag Ba'Omer
May 11	Nursery School Mothers' Tea Birthday Shabbat
May 12	Junior Congregation-Adults
May 13	Gimel Class Model Wedding Mother's Day
May 14	Sisterhood Board
May 15	BT Daytimers
May 16	Adult Ed
May 18	Family Shabbat
May 20	Last Day Religious School Teacher Appreciation YOM YERUSHALAYIM
May 21	School Board Ritual Committee
May 27	SHAVUOT

Men's Club

Yom Hashoah (Yellow Candles) evening of April 18th and on April 19th

The Men's Club has been distributing the Yom Hashoah candles in advance of the April 18th (evening services) and April 19th observance of Yom Hashoah. Please contact Bill Greenberg, sailor4498@optonline.net, if you have not received a kit. Physical delivery of this kit greatly reduces our mailing costs.

If you are not available to pick them up then, we will place them into the mail to you before then. Please remember to support this important program with your ongoing generosity.

Sunday morning, April 15th. 10:00 am

Art Shamsky, former New York Mets outfielder for the 1969 "Miracle Mets," will be our Israel Bonds Breakfast speaker. Art was a professional baseball player for 13 years. He started his career with the Cincinnati Reds before being traded to the NEW YORK METS in 1967 and was a major part of the "Miracle Mets" winning the 1969 World Championship over the Baltimore Orioles. During that season, Art batted .300 and led the Mets in batting during the playoffs with a .537 batting average. He tied a major league record by hitting 4 home runs in consecutive at bats. Since his retirement, Art has maintained his visibility working at different endeavors. He has worked as an entrepreneur, owning various businesses, and as an on-camera sports broadcaster and announcer for the New York Mets, and has written guest editorials. His latest work is as author of "The Magnificent Seasons," a book about the NY Jets, NY Mets, and NY Knicks all winning their first championships in 1969/70 and the effect that it had on the people of New York City and the nation during a turbulent time.

An electronic invitation will be sent and an RSVP will be appreciated to confirm your attendance. Additional details will be made available in the near future.

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- d) Unless the thread is included, we may not remember each previous individual email and may not wish to take the time to research it.
- e) Hours have passed since the original e-mail, and it's way too late to be clever.

And by the way, everyone got that joke, saw that video, and sent money to that dying kid two years ago.

Gary Bergman, Webmaster



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Save the Dates:

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 Sisterhood elections for the 2012/2013 Sisterhood Board and a very meaningful program on Torah Fund. Our very own Ann Rosenzweig will be instrumental in overseeing and presenting this program to us.

Passover Wine Sale – Wine pick-up will be in the Gift Shop on the following:

Sunday, April 1st, 7-7:30PM,
Monday, April 2nd, 6:45-7:30PM,
Tuesday, April 3rd, 6:45-7:30PM.

After April 3rd, Passover wine will be available for pick-up at the CBT Office.

Passover Flower Sale – Flowers for Passover are \$26.00 for each centerpiece and come in spring colors or white. Please order by Wednesday, April 3rd. Look for the order form in this edition of the Hakol.

Social Action - Social Action is continuing a collection for the South Brunswick Food Pantry.

Recipients are in need of: boxed milk, coffee, peanut butter and jelly. These items can be brought to any Sisterhood meeting/event or contact Caroline Scharf (732-735-1345), to arrange a convenient collection time. Thank you for your support!

Gift Shop – Store Hours are Sunday, 9AM-12PM & Wednesday, 4:15PM-6:15PM. Also by appointment call Serena Blackin at 732-390-9515.

Gift Shop April Specials

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Have an April Birthday? Take an additional 10% off one item of your choosing. (*Books are excluded*)

Do you have an upcoming B'nai Mitzvah? Come see our new tallit from Israel.

Membership - It's never too late to join Sisterhood! Please contact Phyllis Safeer at 732-432-9622 if you are interested in getting involved. Sisterhood would love to welcome you.

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!

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NURSERY



Phyllis Denenberg,
Nursery School Director

Our Third Annual Family Art Night/Open House was a huge success! Each classroom was set up as an art gallery with the teacher as the curator. Students' artwork was displayed in their classroom galleries as well as in the Family Gallery in the gym. Families designed a fundraiser art project that will be made into useable or decorative items such as magnets, posters, or t-shirts. Marsha Goldwasser of the PJ Library Project of Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County, read "A Mezuzah on the Door" to the children. Afterwards, children decorated their own "mezuzot" and placed a special note in them. The evening concluded with a concert by Mr. Z. (Josh Zuckerman is a kindergarten teacher by day at the John Adams School in North Brunswick and sings professionally by night.)

There were slide shows depicting scenes from this school year and last summer's camp session. Thank you Webmaster Bergman for setting up the computers and formulating the slide shows.

Kudos to all the teachers and assistants, parent volunteers and camp staff who helped make this night a real winner!

Thank you Rabbi Wolkoff and Cantor Rockman for the beautiful "mini" Megillah reading on Purim. I thank Jennifer Manson, and her carnival committee, for all their work on our Purim carnival. The gym was decorated beautifully and the booths "manned" by many PAC volunteers. Kudos to all the families who contributed prizes to enhance the children's experience. We thank all those who lent us games for our booths.

SCHOOL



Our school is now preparing for the next Jewish holiday, Pesach. Soon everyone will be cleaning and sweeping just like our parents do at home. The children will be taught the FOUR Questions—the Ma Nishtanah. Why is this night different from all other nights? The answers to those questions will be learned in the story of Passover, when the Jews were slaves in Egypt and eventually made their "Exodus" into the desert.

Each class will have its own seder. Projects are being made to enhance the seders. Parents are invited. Save the dates! All classes will have their seders on Monday, April 2nd. Invitations will be sent home soon. Those students who usually do not attend school on Mondays are invited (along with their parents) to join the class for their Passover seder.

School will be closed for Pesach vacation from Thursday April 5th through Friday, April 13th. Classes will resume on Monday, April 16th.

On behalf of all of us at the JCC Nursery School, we wish you a "Chag Kasher Visameach"!

Until next month...
Phyllis

PURIM CARNIVAL 2012



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Purim Party



Purim Planning and Pizza Events

Are We Crazy?

Many people asked that question when we did the parachute jump last year on July 3rd. Maybe we are a little crazy, but we are planning another jump this year, near the July 4th holiday.

Last year, in addition to honoring Aaron Rosloff's 90th birthday by joining him in his jump, his friend decided, at the last minute to ask people to donate food or money to the South Brunswick Food Bank. More than \$3,000 was raised. We hope to raise even more money this year. The money will once again go to the South Brunswick Food Bank. If we raise a lot more money, some also will go to other worth-while charities in our area.

Last year, Aaron said he did not know what he would do to celebrate his next birthday, #91. He said "That's enough." Well, evidently it wasn't.

He has decided to jump again and, since a large number of people approached us after last year's jump and said that if we did it again they would like to be notified, they would consider going with us.

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to be built along the way, beginning with the training our clergy receive in seminary and extending to the ways each synagogue values its early childhood program. The reward a synagogue reaps from investing in the education of its youngest children is limitless. The reward is Jewish life.”

Many of our families become members of B’nai Tikvah and their children continue their Jewish education in the Religious School and become Bar or Bat Mitzvah here. Some JCC Nursery alumni are now sending their own children here!

"What is learned in early childhood is absorbed in the blood." (Avot de Rabbi Natan 24)

Maxine Handelman continues to note in an article she wrote that, while the education of the young child is essential, the education of the young family is critical. Informal studies have shown that the rate of synagogue membership increases from before families enroll their children in a synagogue preschool to the end of the preschool experience. But attracting new synagogue members via the early childhood program is only the first step of a loftier vision. The ultimate goal is not to attract young families to synagogue membership, but to attract them to Jewish life.

For many young parents, entering their child into a Jewish preschool is their first connection to a Jewish institution since they became a bar or bat mitzvah. It can be a connection they approach with trepidation. Parents are their children's first teachers, but Judaism may be something parents feel ill-equipped to teach. Synagogues must open their doors wide for parents who enroll their youngstes in the early childhood programs. Through the early childhood program, synagogues must offer parents ample opportunities to build rich Jewish lives for their families, and to become active Jewish learners in their own right.

Synagogues are places that provide for a continuum of lifelong Jewish learning.

Sustaining an excellent Jewish early childhood program requires many critical relationships and an atmosphere of respect and trust. The early childhood program must be integrated into the life and culture of the synagogue, which calls for the intentional partnership of all the synagogue professionals: rabbis and cantors, education director and early childhood director, as well as lay leaders. The goals:

- The Rabbi values the early childhood program enough to be involved. He or she spends time with children, teaches teachers and the early childhood director, and is available to all parents of young children.
- The early childhood director is a member of the synagogue's executive staff and attends executive staff meetings.
- The Rabbi and Cantor should have a significant relationship with the early childhood program as part of his or her portfolio.
- All clergy members interact with the children, families, and staff in the early childhood program.
- Early childhood families are invited to take part in synagogue events, whether or not they are aimed specifically at young families.
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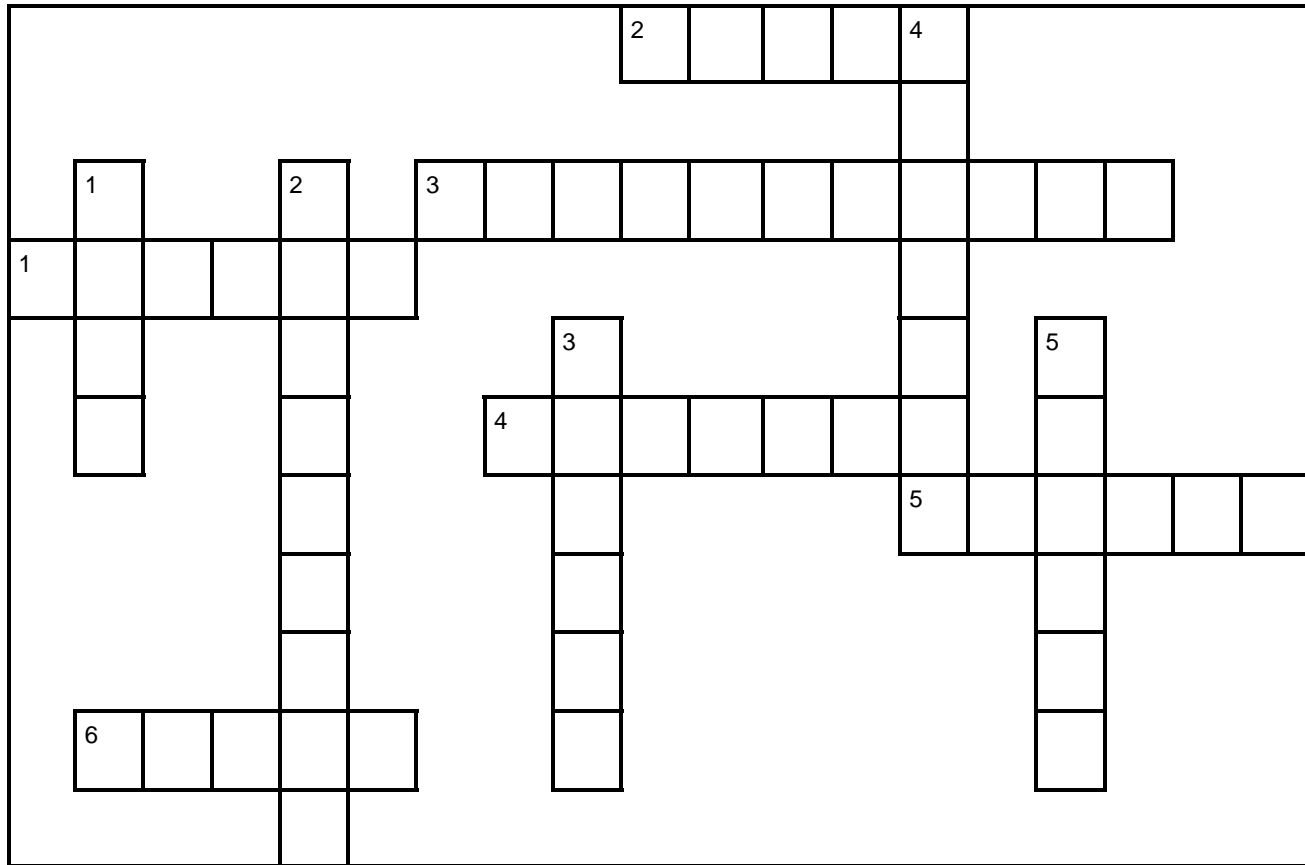
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| 2. Bet Teacher | 4. Director |
| 5. K, 1st, 2nd Grade Teacher | |

Answers on page 38

Adult Enrichment

This spring is a great time to renew your interest in Jewish learning by participating in one of more of the following adult education classes at B'nai Tikvah. The classes have been going strong since January, but no prior participation is required, and all are welcome.

Please see the Adult Enrichment page in the Learning section of the B'nai Tikvah website.

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- Flowers are \$26.00 each centerpiece. They come in spring colors or white. Please order by Wednesday, April 3rd.
- Pick-up at the Synagogue on Thursday, April 5th. The flowers are usually at the shul by 10AM, and they will be in the coatroom.
- Any questions, please call Teresa Samtur at 732-821-8163.
- Please mail form below with payment to: Teresa Samtur, 4 Zev Court, Monmouth Junction, NJ 08852 **or leave it in the Sisterhood Box in the synagogue office.**

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ISRAEL WITH NAASE

This past February, I had the great experience of going to Israel with the North American Association of Synagogue Executives. I want to thank the synagogue for sponsoring me for this amazing and enjoyable trip. It was a 7-day conference filled with places and thrills that will be forever in my mind.

Our first evening was a fantastic dinner in Tel Aviv's Yemeni district with teenage singers from the Masorti organization for youth. The food and the entertainment were phenomenal. While in Tel Aviv, we had the great fortune of seeing a play with actors who are both blind and deaf. They performed a love story that ended with a wedding. At the end, we received freshly baked bread and a chance to touch the actors, which allowed them to know how much we liked their show.

On the way to Jerusalem, we went to a Spice Farm; the smells were fantastic and I spent too much money. The next day, we went to an Absorption Center for Ethiopian families. Its nursery was filled with happy children getting ready for Purim. Other amazing places we visited in Jerusalem were the High Court of Justice and the Knesset. We had dinner in the Judean Desert, where Abraham came to life and Sarah made us a fantastic dinner.

The most exciting point of the trip was davening a the Western Wall on Rosh Hodesh Adar. We were able to move to another area of the Wall where we, as women, were able to read the Torah and have our aliyahs. Having my mother's yahrzeit there sent chills throughout my body.

For Shabbat services, I went to the Great Synagogue and heard a magnificent Hazzan and a great choir. I stayed there till after Kedushah and then went across the street to the United Synagogue Fuchsberg synagogue and we ended with Shabbat services at Fuchsberg.

Our last day, we met the Mayor of Jerusalem and then went on to an IDF Army Base and then enjoyed a fantastic dinner at Neot Kedumim Park. There, I received my 10 year-certificate. Finally, Ira and I went to Tel Aviv for a day of rest before coming back on the 11-hour flight to the States.



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Crossword Puzzle Answers

From page 28

Across

Down

- 1. Ullman
- 2. Cohen
- 3. Goldschmitt
- 4. Pariser
- 5. Garber

- 1. Slim
- 2. Wachoider
- 3. Safeer
- 4. Nimberg
- 5. Zarbiv

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We want to thank Joyce Fishelberg, Bill Greenberg, Mae Rubinstein, Beverly Leipzig-Silien, Sandy Scharf, for making March Birthday calls.

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