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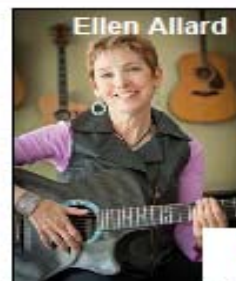
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## A Message From Rabbi Robert Wolkoff



The great writer Willa Cather once wrote, “There are some things you learn best in calm, and some in storm.” As I write these words, our area is still reeling from the devastation wrought by Superstorm Sandy. And on the other side of the world, in Israel, a different storm has begun—a military conflict with Hamas in Gaza. We know the damage done by Sandy. And we shiver at the thought of the damage that could be done in Israel. Here’s a hint: Hamas has fired rockets aimed at Dimona, home of Israel’s nuclear reactor. And there is a legitimate fear that Hamas will target Tel Aviv (which, unfortunately, is within range). So, following Cather, what do we learn in storm?

We learn two things. We learn, first, that the situation seems almost entirely out of our control. Sandy taught us how weak our infrastructure is, how ill-prepared we were/are in the face of the power of nature. And we may soon be facing extremely powerful storms fueled by global warming that will test us again and again. Similarly, in Israel, we see a super-sophisticated military power (with one of the best anti-missile defense systems in the world) challenging a relatively primitive bunch of thugs—but who knows where all of this will lead? If there is anything certain about military actions, it is uncertainty. We are blessed, during periods of calm, with the illusion that we are running the show, that we are in control of our own lives. We learn the painful truth in a storm.

The second thing we learn, though, is how precious and powerful community can be. It happened that we were scheduled to celebrate Eve Cukor’s Bat Mitzvah on the Shabbat right after the storm—when the power in our synagogue was still out. We went through with the Bat Mitzvah as best we could, though, and when Eve was called to the bimah, I remarked that from the time of the first Eve, women have been bringing light to the world (hence, the custom of women lighting Shabbat candles). And it was my hope that, like her namesake, our Bat Mitzvah girl Eve would bring us light on this otherwise dark day. Some time later, when Eve was called to the Torah for the very first time, lo and behold, the lights in the synagogue came back on.

Coincidence? Sure, if you believe in that sort of thing. But I don’t. And neither, evidently, did the hundreds of people who cheered in amazement at this unforgettable event. For me, it was a signal, a reminder of what we can mean to each other... and an echo of the miracle of Chanukah we soon will celebrate, the ultimate example of light emerging from darkness.

Knowing that our brothers and sisters in Israel face a storm of rockets from the sky (and knowing, as well, that there are a lot of innocent civilians in Gaza who will inevitably suffer if the situation spins out of control), it is incumbent upon us to come together in solidarity, and to offer our heartfelt prayers for peace and protection from the storm of violence that threatens to engulf the entire region.

It is an odd feeling not knowing, as I write today, what will have transpired by the time you read this article. How frightful are the clouds that loom on the horizon at this hour! How powerless we are to avert the storm!

But how comforting to know that we need not—will not—face the storm alone.

*This* we have learned.

Rabbi Robert L. Wolkoff

### DICKDOOK LESHON GNEBREET

The first Hebrew textbook in America was written and published in the American colonies in Boston in 1735. Titled Dickdook Leshon Gnebreet, A Grammar of the Hebrew Tongue, the book’s author, Judah Monis, MA, created it for Harvard undergraduates. (Hebrew was one of the ancient languages required for a classical education in earliest times.)

From American Antiquarian Society display at The Grolier Society, NYC, 2012

## From the Desk of Cantor Bruce Rockman

### REJOICE & REBUILD

12/2/12



*When the community is in trouble, a person should not say,  
"I will go into my house and eat and drink and be at peace with myself."*

*Babylonian Talmud*

Normally, I would be writing to you about the wonderful entertainment and attractions Rejoice will present; I'm confident that you know "Rejoice & Rebuild" is going to be a memorable day, filled with great music, food, and fun for the kids.

Aaron Rosloff's brainchild, Rejoice is one of the wonderful and unique events that B'nai Tikvah shares with our community with great pride!

December is a very busy time of the year; we have been planning for Rejoice and then everything changed. It is a vast understatement to say the last month has been very challenging. Hurricane Sandy, which has upended so many lives was, for us, but a shadow of the devastation others experienced. Our difficulties and loss of power were a small sample of the losses that our friends & neighbors in other parts of our state and coastal New York are living through.

**What can we do?** As we celebrate at The Rejoice Festival and During Chanukah, we will dedicate our joy to rebuilding normalcy in the lives of our devastated neighbors.

The Rejoice Festival and Chanukah are here. We've planned celebrations of our cultural heritage and our annual Chanukah Light the Lights party for Wednesday, December 12, following religious school. It is good for us to gather and share our experiences and to give Tzedakah.

With each of these events, it has been our custom to do collections for people in need. The flyer on the front of this issue of **Hakol** lists the many household items and canned food that we are asking you to donate at Rejoice & Rebuild on Sunday, December 2nd.

At the Chanukah Party, our Religious School is asking you to donate new unwrapped toys. Can you imagine how difficult the holidays will be for so many children this year?

**What else can we do?** The South Brunswick Area Clergy Association is endeavoring to respond to the aftermath of the hurricane by organizing community groups that will travel to the affected areas. Besides our local ongoing collections, we hope to participate in the clean-up and the rebuilding of the distressed areas.

Faith-based organizations, such as B'nai Tikvah and our neighboring houses of worship, are going to be depended upon as part of this long-term reclamation project.

We will be calling upon you to help. As always, B'nai Tikvah will be there for our community.

With Joy!  
Cantor Bruce Rockman

### SOFER VISIT — DECEMBER 2

*Every family is invited to sign up for a time to scribe a letter with our Sofer who will visit B'nai Tikvah during the Rejoice Festival.*

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*to schedule your appointment.  
The Sofer appointments will be available from 1 - 5 pm.*

*Save the date for the Welcome Home event for our new Torah on Sunday, May 5th.*

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## ISRAEL FLYING AID To Victims of Sandy

Israel Flying Aid, the Israeli global humanitarian organization, which was first to land in Haiti following the 2010 earthquake, has been distributing large supplies of gas to hospitals and food, batteries, and generators to Hurricane Sandy victims.

"We have many years of disaster relief experience," said Israel Flying Aid North American Operations Manager Moti Kahana. "Israel Flying Aid, in having Israelis on the ground here in New York and New Jersey, has made Israel the only foreign nation to provide humanitarian assistance to the US during this disaster.

"We are working in coordination with FEMA, local police, the American Red Cross and Jewish communities in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut."



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## ANOTHER VIEWPOINT

### Early Intervention



When I was in second grade, a new boy came into our class. The teacher asked the boy to stand up and introduce himself. He said "my name is Hymie." But instead of the note of the second syllable on the downside, he closed on the up as though asking a question. The class broke into laughter. I felt terribly sorry for the kid as I had gone through that kind of teasing myself. Of course, I didn't laugh but I was upset and hurting. I sympathized with Hymie but was powerless to do anything. At age six or seven, there are very few socially conscious children who can verbalize their distress, so I said nothing.

Although I understood this kid's embarrassment, I was still early on with my own problems regarding English and classroom culture. My parents, wonderful and helpful people all of their lives, had no clue how to prepare a child for school, especially in a country to which they were themselves were trying to adapt. They kept me at home where we spoke only Yiddish instead of sending me to Kindergarten, because they viewed Kindergarten as just a place to play and pass the time. "He can play at home." All it took was an empty cereal box or a large paper bag and I could be a soldier or a policeman or a rabbi. Besides, my mother's younger sisters lived with my grandparents in the same building and they would play with me when they could.

But none of these things had prepared me for the discipline of school or interactions with other kids in a classroom setting. For instance, my teacher, Mrs. Aarons (How can I forget her name?), mistook my ignorance for poor eyesight. She insisted that I have my eyes examined. When the optometrist, Dr. Sims (I'll never forget his name either) insisted that he could find nothing wrong with my eyes, Mrs. Aarons insisted that I have glasses or she would "take steps." My greenhorn parents took me back to Dr. Sims, who said, "I can't find anything wrong but if they want glasses I'll make him glasses." So I got glasses and developed an astigmatism.

When the teacher said to bring holly to make Christmas ornaments, I thought she meant challah, so when I told my mother that the teacher had asked us to bring challah for Christmas decorations, she gave me the look that said "Are you sure?"

I said yes, that's what she said. In those days teachers were almost Godlike, so Momma complied. I didn't make any ornaments.

When spring came, the teacher showed us a packet of seeds and said that if anyone would bring in a flower box with soil she would give us a packet of seeds and show us how to plant them. Momma got me a box from Breakstone's Cream Cheese which in those days came in a wooden box from which the grocer would remove the cheese and cut slices to order. The box was about twelve inches long, and four inches top and bottom. With the top off it became a perfect window box.

Outside of a park there were few places to get soil in the Bronx, but I took a kitchen spoon and dug up soil from the tree in front of the Catholic Church on our block. When I brought the box with me to school, the teacher took a pencil and showed me how to make holes in the soil and drop in three or four seeds. Then she said that if I kept it watered I would have flowers, but to me it just looked like a box of mud, so I threw it out.

Do I believe in early intervention? Boy, do I! Until I got to the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and found out that I could write, I hated school and couldn't wait to get out. College? My father would have worked a second job to pay for it. But no thanks – I had had enough. Yes, early intervention can make the difference between a struggle and an enriching educational experience. I know; I have seen it in others all my life.

It can be even more important with the children of immigrants from non-English speaking countries. If we are going to continue to allow immigration, as we should, then we must help prepare them to absorb as much education and American culture as they are capable and desirous of having. For both moral and practical reasons, that is the best way to turn them into future citizen assets instead of dependents.

If I may go back to my "eye problems" for a minute. I wonder how come Mrs. Aarons didn't realize that I could recognize cat, dog and mouse, but that I couldn't see a giraffe. I still don't know how to say giraffe in Yiddish.

Aaron Rosloff

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I do hope all my Kadima families are safe after the horrible Hurricane Sandy. I know many were without power for too long, including myself. Because of Sandy, we needed to reschedule our Lock-In from November 10<sup>th</sup>. It will be rescheduled to a later date Once everyone is back to normal.



#### October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Pizza & BINGO in the Youth Lounge. The 12 members who attended had a great time getting together for our 1<sup>st</sup> event in our Youth Lounge. The winners all won chocolate bars & I was nice enough to buy all who played a smaller bar.

#### October 28<sup>th</sup>

Opening Regional event in South Orange & we had 3 members attend. They all had a blast together seeing their friends from Encampment.

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

#### November 18th

Joint Mall Scavenger Hunt w/ the East Windsor Chapter.

#### November 30-December 2nd

Regional Shabbaton in East Windsor for those attending. On December 1<sup>st</sup>, there will be a dance open to those going to the Shabbaton & anyone else who just wants to go to the dance. After the dance, there will be an 8<sup>th</sup> grade Lock-In. They are always a great time for everyone.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

##### December 2nd

Rejoice Festival 12-6 pm  
Great music, Hanukah Vendors Fair and family entertainment

##### December 12th

B'nai Tikvah's Hanukkah Party, a night of fun for all.

##### December 20th

Please arrive promptly by 6 pm. USY will be joining us this year. We will be setting up an assembly line to pack food & hygiene kits in boxes for distribution to needy families in the United States. Please wear comfortable shoes. At the end of the evening, you can get community hours if you need them. Please RSVP by 12/16.

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

Need-based scholarships are available to help with some of the costs for programs. Please contact Steve Juro at [732-960-1215](tel:732-960-1215) for requirements to qualify. All conversations are confidential and we appreciate the same respect.

Contact me with questions or concerns throughout the year! If you need another application, just ask.

Jordana Andersen ([732-422-7457](tel:732-422-7457))  
[btkadima@gmail.com](mailto:btkadima@gmail.com)

#### **Emilee Botnick's Bat Mitzvah Project**

For my Bat Mitzvah project, I worked with the United States Soccer Federation's Passback Program. I collected new and gently used soccer equipment for those who would like to enjoy the game of soccer but are not fortunate enough to be able to have the equipment to play.

I chose my Bat Mitzvah project because soccer is a big part of my life. I enjoy it and want other people to enjoy the game as well. Soccer is a wonderful, enjoyable, and interesting game and I think everyone should be exposed to it and have the equipment needed to play it, if they want to. By helping the people who need to be helped by providing them with cleats, socks, shin guards, and soccer balls, they will be able to enjoy the game even more. My goal is to help the people in need and to help share the joy of the game of soccer.

I have collected almost five large bins of stuff and soon will be delivering it to a local community soccer club in New Jersey. I cannot wait to see the impact I have had on many little and big kids' lives.

Emilee Botnick





I can't believe we're already onto our 2<sup>nd</sup> month of fun with USY! We have many more fantastic events coming this month.

But first, let's recap what we've done so far!

Our OPENING EVENT, at Eagle's Landing Day Camp at Mill Road was a HUGE success! We had more than 25 USYers in attendance who enjoyed spending time with the Kadimaniks, playing gaga, swimming, playing volleyball, mini-golfing, and more! There was delicious pizza, snacks, and even ice pops for dessert. A good time was had by all!

By the time you read this article, we already will have run another successful Rosh Ha'Shanah Food Drive (9/17-9/25), heard our 2012-2013 USY President, Arielle Weg, make a beautiful speech at Rosh Ha'Shanah services, and had a wonderful time doing some serious bonding at our Gender Bonding event (9/20).

We had some very exciting events this October!

Wednesday, 10/3 – SUKKAH NIGHT – 6:30-8pm – Home of Danny & Caryl Greenberg

A night of fun in the Greenberg's Sukkah! There where friends, plenty of food, and your favorite and mine, karaoke!!! It was NSBUSY's first-ever karaoke in the Sukkah. We also played Sukkot-themed Taboo and a few rounds of Apples to Apples.

Saturday, 10/13 – REGIONAL OPENING DANCE – Springfield, NJ  
Everyone had a fabulous evening of dancing and catching up with USY friends they hadn't seen in a while. It cost \$10 and the dance will cost \$8.

Tuesday, 10/23 – IRON CHEF NIGHT – 6:30-8pm – Kitchen (near gym) at B'nai Tikvah

If you like food and some friendly competition, NSBUSY's very own Iron Chef Night was for you! This was our first-time-ever running this event and it turned out to be a blast! We had a list of ingredients, broke everyone into teams, and tested who came up with the best concoction! This delicious event was free of cost!



## UPCOMING EVENTS FOR DECEMBER 2012:

December	2	REJOICE & REBUILD
December	15	Regional Dance
December	20	Kadima USY Feed the Children

**Please check your email each  
week for updates from  
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Need-based 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.

Applications are available online at <http://www.bnaitikvah.org/usyform.html>

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*\*\* Please note that College Connection care packages are limited to children of Congregants \*\**

## Bikur Cholim Time Change

**The Bikur Cholim committee has changed its meeting time from 6 PM to 8 PM on the third Thursday of each month.**

We are looking for congregants who would like to join our committee and believe that 8 PM will be a much more convenient time for you to attend our monthly meetings.

We care deeply about our congregants during their times of need. We tailor our support-based services to each congregant's situation.

There are many ways you can support this committee - - from sending a card, making a phone call, delivering our baskets to the hospital, cooking a meal, picking up a few groceries, taking a home-bound congregant to a doctor's appointment, or playing a game of cards with the patient.

We want to serve our community in as comprehensive a way as possible, so bring your ideas and come and work with Bikur Cholim.

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If you had an Entertainment 2012 Book it has expired. Time to buy a new Entertainment 2013 Book! If you never had one, then it is time to INVEST in a new 2013 Entertainment Book!!

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## BE A TATTLETALE

Please let us know when a congregant or family can use our caring support.  
Contact Rabbi Wolkoff  
or the Bikur Cholim Committee  
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Ann Ruth Nimberg  
Religious School Principal



Difficult times remind us of the importance of family, friends, and community. In the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy and the subsequent nor'easter, the need to need to come together is so important. Please continue to send in tzedakah. The money collected so far will go to Hurricane Sandy Relief.

Recently, Religious School Director Susan Bernstein, at Temple Beth El in Rochester contacted me. Her students had made cards and letters to send to our CBT Religious School students. They wanted to let us know that they were thinking of us. As we continued our conversation, we decided that we would like to keep the connection going and decided to become pen pals and perhaps even Skype. Our hope is that our students would be able to meet in the future. This is a wonderful positive that emerged from a negative.

I thank Co-Chairs Aimee Webber, Suzanne Oliver, Lauren Cohen, and the liaisons for their efforts in keeping the Religious School families informed of the hurricane's impact on school activities. I also thank the Religious School staff for changing their plans and coming in to teach on Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. It is a privilege to work with such dedicated people.

The Dalet Bar/Bat Mitzvah Program will be held on Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 in the Conference Room. Also on December 9<sup>th</sup> is the Chai Breakfast with the Rabbi. The breakfast with parents begins at 10:00 in the gym. The discussion with the students will begin at 10:30.

The first Aleph Family Education Program will be held on Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. The Aleph students and their families will be designing the t-shirts the students will be wearing for their Aleph Naming Ceremony in January. The program will begin at 9:30 in the gym. Please send in a plain white t-shirt that you and your child can decorate.

All programs begin after minyan. While waiting for a program to begin, join minyan or enjoy a nosh.

The Religious School Annual Hannukah Family Event will take place on Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, at 6:15. Bring your menorahs and join us for a fun-filled evening

Please continue to send in pennies for the Torah Project. Our goal is to collect more than 300,000 pennies. All classes that participate will be treated to a party.

B'Shalom,  
Ann Ruth Nimberg  
Education Director

DECEMBER EVENTS

- December 9 Dalet Bar/Bat Mitzvah Program  
Chai Breakfast with the Rabbi
- December 12 Family Hannukah Event
- December 16 Aleph Family Education Program
- December 23-January 1 Winter Break

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September

October

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Grade 2	Connor Lawson	Liam Rosen
Aleph	Caroline Egerman	Carly Rosen
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A mensch is a Yiddish word that means "a person of integrity." A mensch is someone who is responsible, has a sense of right and wrong, and is the sort of person other people look up to - - "a good guy."



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#### INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Asked of Katy Ben Gal, B'nai Tikvah Dalet Teacher,  
by Ann Ruth Nimberg

**What can you tell me about yourself and your family?**

I am married and I have four great sons. I have worked in Jewish education for 28 years. I worked at Marlboro Jewish Center, Freehold Jewish Center, and Solomon Schechter. I speak five languages fluently.

**Who has been the most influential person in your life? Why?**

My parents have been the most influential. They are Holocaust survivors.

**What do you like to do for fun?**

I am a full-time student at Mercer Community College. I am studying art and sculpture.

**If you were to make a list of the top ten things you would like to do in your life, what would be number one and why?**

I would travel and paint.

**If you were stranded on a desert island, what would be your two "must have" items?**

I would want music and good food.

**What one sentence best describes you and why?**

Because I grew up in a different environment, I am sensitive to humanity.

**Why did you decide to go into Jewish education?**

I wanted to give something back.

**How long have you been teaching at CBT?**

This is my first year.

**Do you work in any other field?**

No

#### INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Asked of Marilyn Cohen, B'nai Tikvah Music Teacher,  
by Ann Ruth Nimberg

**What can you tell me about yourself and your family?**

I am married; I have two children and five grandchildren and they are what defines me. I have been teaching music for many years. I have worked at Solomon Schechter, Freehold Jewish Center, and East Brunswick Jewish Center.

**Who has been the most influential person in your life? Why?**

My dad was the most influential person in my life. He was very involved in Judaism and influenced me to do what I do.

**What do you like to do for fun?**

I am a serious, amateur photographer.

**If you were to make a list of the top ten things you would like to do in your life, what would be number one and why?**

I would travel.

**If you were stranded on a desert island what would be your two "must have" items?**

I would want a stack of books, my best friend, and my guitar. I know that is three things.

**What one sentence best describes you and why?**

I am a realist. I am happy with my lot. It is what it is.

**Why did you decide to go into Jewish education?**

L'Dor V'Dor.

**How long have you been teaching at CBT?**

This is my third year.

**Do you work in any other field?**

I am a music teacher and I also do Tot Shabbats.



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FEBRUARY 2



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## Save the Date



### **Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**

Join us for Sushi making!  
This is a Sisterhood and Men's Club  
Joint Program.

### **Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

Make-Your-Own Amazing Chocolate Gift Basket Class.

### **Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

New date for Passover Poker.  
Please join us for Passover Poker  
starting at 8:15 pm.

### **Membership**

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### **Purim Baskets**

Please be on the lookout for Purim Basket information. Ordering details will be available at the end of December/beginning of January.



## NURSERY SCHOOL

Phyllis Denenberg,  
Nursery School Director



The Nursery Classes celebrated Thanksgiving in their own special way. The 2 1/2's, 3's, and Pre-K classes, wearing beautiful costumes that they created, sang songs, and prepared a yummy feast that was shared with their families in the social hall. Thank you, Mrs. Orlan's and Mrs. Horn's classes and their families for sponsoring the Thanksgiving feast.

Thank you PAC parents for helping us set up and for preparing the side dishes. Our special guests included people from Sterling Adult Day Care.

We appreciate all the donations made to our Chanukah Regifting Boutique. Any items that did not sell were donated to various local charities including Elijah's Promise and Jewish Family Services.

December 3rd will be Picture Day for our school.

In conjunction with our unit on Community Helpers, the Pre-K will be going on a field trip to Magyar Bank on Route 27 on Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. We intend to bring all our tzedakah (charity) to be put into the coin counting machine to see how much tzedakah has been raised. Every Friday, in honor of Shabbat, tzedakah is collected. On Wednesday, the 5<sup>th</sup>, Sally Earles, a mail carrier will be visiting and on Thursday, the 6<sup>th</sup>, a dental hygienist will be teaching us how to keep our mouths clean and healthy.

**The first night of Chanukah is Saturday night, December 8<sup>th</sup>.** All classes have made special projects for Chanukah. Many have learned the Brachot (blessings) for lighting the Menorah.

On Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup> we will be having our annual Chanukah Party. After being entertained by our talented children, Uncle John's Puppets will entertain us. Thank you, Mrs. Winter's class, for sponsoring the Chanukah refreshments. Thank you PAC parents for all your preparation.

On Tuesday, December 11th, the Pre-K class will be going to the Regency Heritage Nursing Home to sing for the residents. The children also will draw pictures for the residents to hang up in their rooms. What Mitzvah children we have here! We are so proud of them!!

Please note that conferences for Mrs. Winter's 3 year old class will take place on Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> and Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Conferences for Mrs. Horn's Pre-K and Mrs. Orlan's 2 1/2-year classes will take place on Monday December 17<sup>th</sup>. There will be regular sessions for all classes on those dates. Parents need to sign up for conferences a week or so before the scheduled dates.

**Reminder: School will be closed for Winter Break from Friday December 21<sup>st</sup> through Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>. Classes will resume on Wednesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

We wish you and your family a Happy Chanukah!  
See you in 2013!  
Phyllis G. Denenberg, Director



## Men's Club

The Men's Club will hold a joint program with Sisterhood, Sushi making with Ricki Dayan. Learn how to make and then enjoy eating kosher sushi with Sisterhood and the Men's Club.

Sunday, December 16th, at 10:00 am  
Please RSVP to  
Phyllis at 732-432-9622 or pbjsr@comcast.net  
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The next meeting will on Sunday, January 13. There will be a Blood Drive on that day. Come and join us for both events.

On Sunday, February 3, Conservative Jews around the world will celebrate the mitzvah of Tefillin at morning minyan, joining thousands of other in the eighth annual "World Wide Wrap," sponsored by the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs (FJMC). Come join us.



## Mitzvah 613... Experience of a Lifetime

Like any great, major event, it is hard to pinpoint exactly why the Torah Fair on October 28 was so successful. For me, it began listening to Ruth Anne Koenick share "a few words" about this exciting venture on the High Holidays. Even with the anticipation, I could not really appreciate what was to come.

As someone who has planned a lot of programs in my life, the most nerve-wracking moments are in the minutes before the program begins, wondering if people will actually attend the program. When I got to Bnai Tikvah at 10:10 for a 10am program, there were almost no seats left in the sanctuary.

Hearing "our" sofer speak was an amazing experience for me. He is not only a well-spoken person, engaging and articulate, but incredibly knowledgeable. I knew some of what he taught us, but much of it was brand new. I know that the Torah is sacred but, I did not realize how sacred the process of writing it is. There is so much that goes into it and so much that the sofer himself needs to know. I was, and still am, totally captivated by the experience of having listen to him.

I loved the set up in the gym! The 400 people who attended all had things to do and somehow there were no lines to wait on. The children all were occupied with activities (many food-related, my favorite!) and there was so much to do for adults as well. There was such a great "buzz" in the room, appreciative comments and noises. I found myself smiling even as I walked around alone.

I have been a member of a synagogue my entire life. My parents were members of a synagogue when I was growing up and I always belonged to synagogues when I lived in New York. During all of those years, however, I have never been a part of a process like this. It is so exciting. I will always remember that I was a part of a community that helped to write a Torah.

Stacey Rockman

## From the President

### Blown Away



Sandy came and went. Most of us got off lucky with just a few hours of no power but others close to us have lost nearly everything. It's hard for those who have had significant losses to hear this but, for many of us, the storm has had a positive effect of bringing us closer together. With four-high-capacity TiVos in our house, there is always something "on" to get in the way of real communication. I often joke that when my wife and I have words, I rarely get to use mine. But, for four days and cold nights, we enjoyed the experience of getting to know each other again. Our kids in Lawrenceville weren't affected but nearly the all roads in their neighborhood were blocked and there was no practical way for us to get there.

Tuesday morning, there was knock on our door and I was quite astonished (but not totally surprised) to see Cantor Rockman. He was driving around, where he could, to visit congregants. I suspected the power was out at the synagogue because the remote security cameras I installed were not working.

I normally do not attend Thursday morning Minyan as I am usually not awake much before 9 AM but, that week, my internal clock as well as most of those in my house were not functioning too well. When I got to the synagogue after 7 AM, I was heartened to see that my presence wasn't needed to make the Minyan. The service that morning reflected the spirit of community that we all felt.

We held the service in the lobby, facing the windows with all the curtains opened. The sun and each other filled the room with warmth as we held the normally brief Torah service. We knew that Saturday's service would be a challenge, without heat, lighting, or microphones but, shortly after the Shema, the lights came back on and the sound system was available just in time for Eve Cukor's Haftarah and subsequent "Thank You" speech.

I'm looking forward to the next moving experience at B'nai Tikvah, minus the wind, water, and power outage.

*Gary Bergman*

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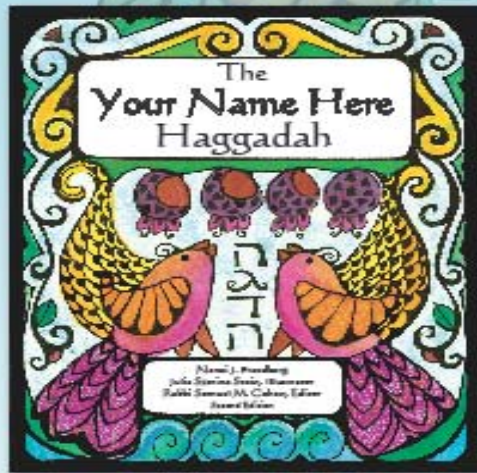
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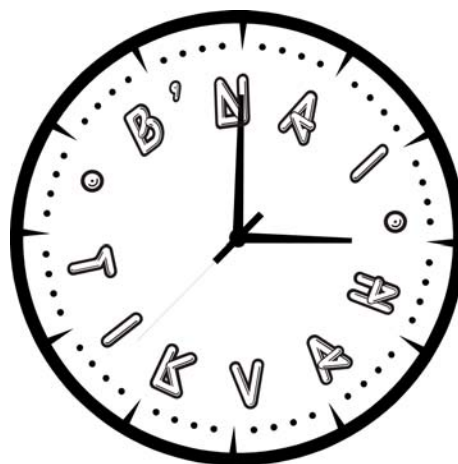
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**Sunday,  
 February 10, 2013**  
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 Tikvah  
**Sisterhood Craft**



**Join B'nai Tikvah's Sisterhood**

We welcome your ideas, participation, and enthusiasm!! Dues include our annual Paid-up Membership Dinner, catered by Classical Caterers. Social Action through Sisterhood supports Jewish Family Services, community food banks, local women's shelters and, most of all, B'nai Tikvah! Please contact Caryl Greenberg: carylgreenberg@verizon.net (908-216-7616) or Brenda Sherman: mandbsherman@yahoo.com (732-940-1110) with any questions. We look forward to sharing good times together with old friends and new!

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The New Year for Trees  
Lunch & Sing  
Saturday, January 26

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***Celebrate Chanukah with your B'nai Tikvah Family!***

**Please join us immediately following Religious School**

**Wednesday, December 12, 2012**

**B'NAI TIKVAH'S ANNUAL  
CHANUKAH CANDLE LIGHTING PARTY**

**Pizza, ziti, and latkes galore**

**Traditional Chanukah goodies to enjoy**

**Musical performances by our Religious School children**

**Bring your family menorah/chanukiyah and candles!**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Candle Lighting 7 4:13 pm 14 4:14 pm 21 4:16 pm 28 4:21 pm	Shabbat Ends 1 5:16 pm 8 5:16 pm 15 5:18 pm 22 5:21 pm 29 5:25 pm					1 17 Kislev  KADIMA Regional Shabbaton Bat Mitzvah Elizabeth Lavender
2 18 Kislev  REJOICE Mtzvah 613 SO FER Visit	3 19 Kislev  Board of Directors	4 20 Kislev  Nursery School Magyar Bank Men's Basketball	5 21 Kislev  PAC Meeting	6 22 Kislev	7 23 Kislev  Nursery School Shabbat Together	8 24 Kislev  Bat Mitzvah Melissa Oksman First Night of HANUKAH
9 25 Kislev  Dalet Program Chai Breakfast HANUKAH	10 26 Kislev  Sisterhood Board HANUKAH	11 27 Kislev  Book Club Men's Basketball HANUKAH	12 28 Kislev  Hanukah Party HANUKAH	13 29 Kislev  Nursery Conference Youth Committee School Board HANUKAH	14 1 Tevet  Family Shabbat Service Birthday Shabbat ROSH CHODESH HANUKAH	15 2 Tevet  Junior Congregation for Adults Lunch & Learn USY Regional Dance LAST NIGHT OF HANUKAH
16 3 Tevet Men's Club & Sisterhood Aleph School Program LAST DAY OF HANUKAH	17 4 Tevet  Nursery Conferences Stamp Club Congregational Meeting	18 5 Tevet  Nursery Conferences Ritual Committee Men's Basketball	19 6 Tevet	20 7 Tevet  Bikur Cholim Meeting KADIMA USY Feed The Children	21 8 Tevet  Nursery School Shabbat Together	22 9 Tevet  Sundaes on Saturday Bar Mitzvah Daniel Yadin
23 10 Tevet  No Religious School	24 11 Tevet  No Religious School	25 12 Tevet  Office and Schools Closed	26 13 Tevet  No Religious School	27 14 Tevet  JCC Fun Day	28 15 Tevet	29 16 Tevet
30 17 Tevet  No Religious School	31 18 Tevet  NEW YEARS EVE					

**Hakol Deadline**

Wednesday, December 12

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