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## From the Desk of Cantor Bruce Rockman



### Shabbat February 11 Shabbat Shirah-Lunch & Sing Honoring Mayor Brad Cohen

Some of our greatest biblical leaders, prophets are celebrated during Shabbat Shirah, Moses, Miriam, and Devorah. Being a leader requires sacrifice and vision. We are very proud that our long time member Brad Cohen was elected Mayor of East Brunswick this past November.

During our Shabbat Shira service on February 11<sup>th</sup>, we will honor Mayor Cohen, express our appreciation and offer Brad a blessing as he accepts the challenging mantel of leadership of East Brunswick Township. Brad has enjoyed much success in his professional life as a physician; he is a wonderful husband to Penny, father to Rachel and Daniel' and a friend to many. Yet Brad is willing to offer his time, effort, and his vision to help improve the lives of his neighbors. It takes a very special person to be willing to make such a great commitment. It is our responsibility to thank Brad and offer him our support.

One of my favorite programs of each year is Shabbat Shira. With the help of Barry Safeer, we will reenact the crossing of the sea. Remembering the Prophet Miriam leading the Israelites in songs of praise as God performed yet another miracle, saving us, once more, from the wrath of Pharaoh, we begin our journey to our Promised Land of Israel. Shabbat Shirah is always a lot of fun here at B'nai Tikvah; honoring will our "Mayor" we increase the joy!

Following the singing and dancing during the service, we celebrate with a special, extra delicious lunch, lovingly prepared by Stacey and the Kitchenaires, we will then conclude with more singing. It's going to be a great day!

### ***No Act of Kindness is ever wasted (Aesop)***

Thank you to everyone who participated in our two chesed programs over the holiday break. When you/we do such acts of kindness and charity, we are helping to fix and improve the world. Acts of kindness never die. They linger in the memory, giving life to other acts in return. Some of our acts are connected to a program such as our "Pre-Kadimah for Elijah's Promise" event or Chesed for Chanukah? other acts of chesed can simply be accomplished by the patience and courtesy that you show to another person. It all counts, and you make a difference.

I appreciate the assistance of Bobby Bergman, Gordon Heit and Stacey for making Chesed for Chanukah work. Thank you to Felice & Jason Ockun and Michelle Wilson for organizing "Pre-Kamimah for Elijah's Promise". Let's all do it again!

With Joy,  
Cantor Bruce Rockman

## A Message From Rabbi Robert Wolkoff



Jews will argue about anything, even about whether or not you should have a favorite *mitzvah*. There are those who suggest you should have a favorite *mitzvah*, and that you *should* pour your heart and soul into it. After all, you could do a lot worse than being known as a person who is single-mindedly devoted to the spirit of *shabbat*, or doing *tzedakah*, or *hachnasat orchim* (welcoming guests). On the other hand—there's always an 'other hand'—some rabbis fear that if you have favorite *mitzvot*, you also will have less-than-favorite *mitzvot*, and that you may neglect the latter in order to devote yourself to the former.

In a way, this argument reflects Isaiah Berlin's great insight that intellectually there are foxes and hedgehogs. Foxes know many things. Hedgehogs know one big thing. The difference is that unlike philosophy, Judaism, as usual, is about the life of the mind *and* the body.

Personally speaking, I am a favorite "*mitzvah*" fan—out of inclination, not ideology. Some *mitzvot* just feel good. That's no excuse to neglect the *mitzvot* that don't feel so good (thank G-d we don't have to sacrifice animals anymore!), but I think it's okay to be a little bit human and appreciate some things more than others.

One of my favorite *mitzvot* is serving the mourners in a *shiva* home. A corned beef sandwich with a hard boiled egg on the side isn't exactly a gourmet meal. But the simplicity of it, the quiet compassion it reflects, are profound. Think about it. Someone has lost a loved one. What could you possibly do, what could you possibly say, that can address the pain and the loss, and offer the slightest comfort? Our tradition's wise answer? "Eat something. Force yourself," with the unspoken prayer/wish "Come away from death and back to life."

There's another *mitzvah*, also related to food, that's one of my favorites. Eating together on shabbos. If we are encouraged to eat when we mourn, how much the more should we eat when we celebrate! Again, it's not about the culinary delights (no French chef ever served herring in cream sauce). It's about the place and the people—in a word, it's about feeling *home*. And the stronger the celebration, the better able we are to cope with crisis.

"The table," wrote Shauna Niequist, "is where we store up for those days, where we log minutes and hours building something durable and strong that gets tested in those terrible split seconds. And the table is where we return to stitch our hearts back together after the breaking."

It's hard to overstate the importance of a shabbos table. It's there that we best can feel the beating pulse of the community. That's why at CBT we work so hard to have a lunch together every week, and we need your help. Every time you celebrate a personal event—a special birthday or anniversary, a new child or grandchild, graduation or retirement—or "just because", please consider sponsoring the Shabbat meal. For a mere \$300 you can take 50 of your best friends out to lunch! And, at the same time, you will help "build something durable and strong," the great B'nai Tikvah family.

Let's eat!

Rabbi Robert L. Wolkoff

PS: My family will be sponsoring the lunch in a few months, to celebrate my being able to do *hagbah* again after my back injury! Now we just need about 29 more sponsors to cover us for the year!

## A Message From Our Co-Presidents



Allison Nagelberg



Ruth Anne Koenick

Co-Presidents

What to do on the day after Christmas? There are so many options, and none of them especially great, unless you really like shopping with the masses of other people looking for bargains. Now we are certainly good shoppers who love a bargain, but, really, what did we need? What did we want? Sometimes these are two different issues.

This year was different because Cantor Rockman took it upon himself to initiate B'nai Tikvah's Chesed for Chanukah event. The idea was to bake various sweet morsels, bring them to B'nai Tikvah and create packages to deliver to people who have to work on holidays - often our first responders, including local hospital emergency room staff, and fire and police responders. What a wonderful idea and one that touches our hearts.

Ruth Anne baked cookies and different types of brownies, of course leaving a few pieces at home for Paul but mostly taking everything to B'nai Tikvah. Allison - this year - was lucky to be somewhere sunny with her extended family. While the question was raised about bringing in non-kosher food, everything was put in disposable plastic and carefully put

into bags to take out of B'nai Tikvah. Our social hall was hopping with people bringing in their baked goods and packaging them to take to others. Stacey Rockman had a long list of suggested places to take the packages and everyone was excited to participate in this honor including some who delivered packages to places not on the list. Kids of all ages were there, talking, packaging, and so proud to take part in this wonderful event.

What is the true meaning of Chesed? It really is about doing acts of loving kindness, something that is central to our Jewish tradition. Acts of loving kindness come in all different shapes and sizes but we believe that it means doing something without expecting anything in return. Many synagogues have a Chesed committee that help set up a home for shiva or help prepare a body for burial, while others do whatever needs to be done, not wanting nor expecting that the kindness be returned.

It is our hope that we at B'nai Tikvah continue to practice Chesed in and outside our congregation; help one another without any expectations; drive someone to the doctor; bring a meal to someone in need; provide food as a gift to first responders; and continue to practice our Judaism in a way that is meaningful to each of us.

## HAKOL

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## AIPAC POLICY CONFERENCE 2017

Many CBT members attended last year's AIPAC (American Israel Public Affairs Committee) Policy Conference in Washington D.C. What a fantastic experience we had, together with almost 19,000 of our new friends! The pro-Israel community made its voice heard loud and clear, advocating bi-partisan legislation on Capitol Hill for the security of Israel and the strength of America!

AIPAC Policy Conference is not just about politics. It is an incredible demonstration of boundless Israeli innovation, expertise and spirit:

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Meet thousands of students who inspire everyone with their knowledge, passion and dedication. The Start-Up Nation is a tremendous source of pride and we hope that many more of you will join us next year, when the Policy Conference will be held March 26-28, 2017.

Again, we have purchased a synagogue block of discounted tickets and are certain to increase our B'nai Tikvah delegation next year. Many of us have already purchased our tickets for this year. This is truly an unforgettable opportunity to make an impact.

Feel free to contact me at [nagelberga@aol.com](mailto:nagelberga@aol.com). I look forward to hearing from you.

Warm regards,  
Allison Nagelberg



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**You do not need to attend the  
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Total due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Yes, I/We would like to sponsor the Kiddush and have enclosed **\$18**. Please announce the following:

Make your check payable to "Congregation B'nai Tikvah" with "**Family Shabbat Dinner**" on the envelope. Mail it  
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**PLEASE RSVP BY FEBRUARY 15, 2017**

Questions? Call Bobbi @ 732-690-4779 or email eemaof3@comcast.net

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# “Passover” Poker

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*Passover Poker  
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*Please join us on  
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You don't need to know how to play poker to play Passover Poker.  
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\*Please arrive on time. Play begins at 7:55pm

Please send your check by **Feb. 20, 2017**, to Joella Sperber, 39 Langley Road, Kendall Park, NJ  
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Names of persons attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_

enclosed is my check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (18.00 per person)





### THIS MONTH

**Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 pm**  
**Passover Poker is back!**

Open to the entire community. Bring your friends for a great time. More details on page 8. Any questions, please contact Sheryl Levine, [cdm0710@optonline.net](mailto:cdm0710@optonline.net)

### SAVE THE DATE

**Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm** – Join us for  
**Pottery Painting**

At Art-a-Glaze in North Brunswick. We will be painting a small bowl. Cost of participation will be between \$20 and \$30 depending on the number of participants. Everyone is welcome!

Please RSVP: Sheryl Levine at [cdm0710@optonline.net](mailto:cdm0710@optonline.net) or 732-447-4724

### **Membership**

It's never too late to join Sisterhood. Please visit the CBT website at <http://bnaitikvah.org/community-2/sisterhood/sisterhood-membership-application/> if you are interested in getting involved. Sisterhood would love to welcome you. For more information please contact Melissa at 617-869-1422 or at [Melissa.dara.kessler@gmail.com](mailto:Melissa.dara.kessler@gmail.com).

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### **Mitzvah Baskets**

Having a B'nai Mitzvah or other simcha? Let Sisterhood decorate the bima with two non-perishable-food baskets. 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 mitzvah baskets, contact Teresa Samtur, [msamtur@comcast.net](mailto:msamtur@comcast.net)

### **Mazel Tosses**

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 Visit the B'nai Tikvah website to order your Mitzvah Baskets and Mazel tosses. Please have your forms in one month before your mitzvah.

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## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL COMMITTEE



Sharon Cohen



Suzanne Oliver

Co-Presidents

Hello and Happy New Year!



We hope you all had a restful vacation. We first wanted to thank the volunteers who helped us to plan for and set up for the Chanukah party. Your commitment to our committee and energy is always greatly appreciated! We also want to thank all of the families who attended the party. Without you, we would not have been able to make our party the success that it was!

Just a few reminders... Believe it or not, we have started planning our Passover Seder. We will be having our next committee meeting on Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>. At this meeting we will continue to discuss the Seder as well as other important upcoming events in Religious School. We welcome anyone who would like to come join us... It is our biggest event and the most fun to plan! Please be on the look out for constant contact emails. We hope you can make it! Moms and Dads are welcome.

Thank you for all you do and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Suzanne and Sharon

## MEMBERSHIP CORNER L'dor V'dor

We are thrilled to introduce two new member families to the B'nai Tikvah Community

**Names:** Frances & Harvey Sherman

**Hometown:** Monroe, NJ

**Occupation:** Retired

**Why did you join CBT?** Because we have three sons (and their families) who are members and a lot of other family as well

**What are you hoping to gain from your membership?** Community

**Favorite vacation:** Anywhere they are able to go. Trip to South America is planned.

**Fun fact:** Mrs. Sherman fills volunteer positions that nobody else wants.

**Names:** Helena, Craig, Aaron, & Alex Sherman

**Hometown:** Robbinsville, NJ

**Occupation:**

Helena – Clinical Project Manager for pharmaceutical clinical trials

Craig – Business Analyst at Bank of America/ Merrill Lynch

**Why did you join CBT?** Because we feel comfortable here

**What are you hoping to gain from your membership?** A re-connection to Judaism

**Favorite vacation:** Israel

**Fun fact:** Helena and Craig met in college.

**For membership information, please contact**

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or

**Renee Juro at**  
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Name \_\_\_\_\_ # of USYers you can host \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer to host (please circle one)      MALE      FEMALE

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## THANK YOU..... 2016 NEEDY FAMILY PROGRAM A SUCCESS!

As most of you know, Jennifer Shapiro and I have been running The Needy Family Program for years. The other day, we were trying to figure out how long we have been doing it. We were guessing 12 years, 13 years...were we doing this at the time of Alli's and Zach's B'nai Mitzvahs in 2002? We couldn't remember. Today, I looked back on my computer, and I found documentation that we have been running the program since 2001! This means that our wonderful, giving B'nai Tikvah community has been sponsoring families in need for at least 15 years!

This year we sponsored 7 families totaling 28 people. Because of our efforts these people will enter 2017 with the basic things we all take for granted: winter coats, boots, clothing, blankets, pillows, dishes, silverware, toilet paper (yes, this was a request!)...and the list goes on and on.

Our program is a success due to the generosity of you who participate. To those who sponsored a child, adult or family and bought, wrapped and dropped off the gifts, thank you for your time, efforts and expense. Many of you have been with the Needy Family Program since its inception and I can't thank you enough. Thanks to all who donated money. Please know that every penny was used toward needed purchases for the families.

A big thanks goes to Jennifer Shapiro for her ongoing support, help and commitment to this program.

We are a wonderful community who always answers the call to help.

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

Janice Baer

Marc Rubenstein, PT, DPT, OCS  
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# CHESED FOR CHANUKAH

Michael Weiss,  
Religious Committee

Chesed is a hard word to translate into English. It means loving-kindness, kindness, loving, great kindness or mercy. But more than that it is a recognized tie between the parties concerned. We had many exciting and joyful events this past December at B'nai Tikvah but one of the best and most successful was Chesed for Chanukah. More than 70 people came to the synagogue at 10:00 am on a holiday morning with home-baked cookies and cakes. These goodies were mixed and put into bags and delivered to local organizations as far away as Princeton and East Windsor that were open to serve the public such as hospitals, urgent care, nursing homes, public works, police stations, fire and rescue squads.

The idea for this first time project came from the Cantor who proposed it to the Religious Committee. The idea of bringing cookies and cakes to emergency workers who needed to be on the job during a holiday was not new, other temples that had done it in the past had stopped. So the committee decided there was a need.

Because it would be a holiday weekend, we did not think that there would be a large turn out of volunteers to not only make the food, put them into containers but to take the time to deliver them.

We thank everyone who baked and delivered, especially to the organizers: Cantor & Stacey Rockman, Gorden Heit, and Gary & Bobby Bergman.



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# CHESED FOR CHANUKAH



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**Sunday, March 5, 2017**

10:00 am

**Congregation B'nai Tikvah**

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# KADIMA

## KADIMA IN FEBRUARY

**Sun, Feb 12<sup>th</sup>**

**BOWLING@ Bowlero! 1-3:30pm**

Join us directly after Hebrew school for an afternoon of BOWLING FUN! The cost is \$20 per Kadimanick which includes 2 hours of bowling, shoe rental, Kosher pizza lunch, and \$5 in arcade tokens.

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## SAVE THE DATE

### UPCOMING KADIMA EVENTS

Sun, March 5th

Regional Kadima Day, Metuchen

Sun, March 12th

CBT PURIM CARNIVAL!

Fri, March 17th - Sunday, March 19th

Regional 8th Grade Shabbaton, Toms River

Sun, April 2nd

Regional Roller-Rama, Woodbridge

Sun, April 30th

N/S Brunswick Kadima Event - off site, details  
TBD

Sat, May 13th

N/S Brunswick Kadima Lag B'Omer Bonfire!

Fri, May 19th - Sun, May 21st

Regional Kadima Spring Convention

Fri, June 9th

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End of Year Banquet



Amanda Dillman, Advisor

## USY IN FEBRUARY

**Fri, Feb 10<sup>th</sup> & Sat, Feb 11<sup>th</sup>**

### **Regional USY Senior Shabbaton**

This year, our Seniors get a Shabbaton, as well! Please contact us via email for details and for a link to the Reg Pack to sign up! Further details will be e-mailed by the Region as available.

**Tues, Feb 21<sup>st</sup>**

### **NSBUSY Chinese Food & Movie Night**

A classic as USY events go – join us for some delicious Chinese and a movie! We will vote for the movie using SA/TO money so be sure to bring lots of singles and your favorite DVD!

**Sat, Feb 25<sup>th</sup> – Regional USY Jr/Sr Prom**

The annual Jr./Sr. Prom information has not been shared yet by the Region but as soon as it is, I will forward via email!

## SAVE THE DATE – UPCOMING USY EVENTS

Fri, March 3rd - Saturday, March 4th - Regional USY Club Shabbaton

Tues, March 7th - NSBUSY Purim Planning Pizza Party!

Sun, March 12th - CBT PURIM CARNIVAL!

Tues, April 4th - NSBUSY Pre-Pesach Pasta Dinner  
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Fri, April 28th - Sun, April 30th - Regional USY Spring Convention

Sat, May 13th - Regional USY Closing Dance

Fri, June 9th - USY & Kadima/Sisterhood End of Year Banquet

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## **In case you hadn't heard...CBT IS HOSTING USY Mid-Winter Kinnus!**

As you know, B'nai Tikvah is hosting this year's Regional USY Mid-Winter Kinnus from February 3rd through 5th... If you haven't already shared with us, please let us know how many USYers you can host in your home!

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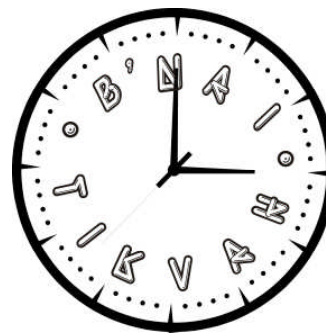
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5 9 Sh'vat World Wide Wrap School Committee Religious School	6 10 Sh'vat Board of Directors	7 11 Sh'vat Men's Basketball	8 12 Sh'vat Rabbi's Lunch Religious School	9 13 Sh'vat Rabbi at Giddy's	10 14 Sh'vat Tu B' Sh'vat Seder/Dinner Family Shabbat USY Senior Shabbaton	11 15 Sh'vat TU B'SH'VAT Jr. Congregation Shabbat Shira Havdalah Pre-Kadima Havdlah
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