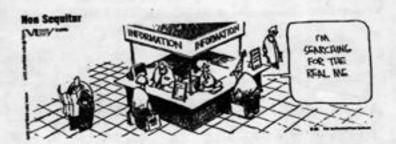
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#### FROM THE RABBI'S DESK

By Rabbi David M. Eligberg

Like the gentlemen at the information booth above, each of us, as we begin the New Year, goes in search of our real selves.

Who is the real me?

The real me is a believing Jew. Someone who feels a sense of personal connection to the Holy One; someone who tries to create moments filled with potential for Divine encounter. These opportunities emerge in the frenetic preparations for Shabbat; the certainty that guests both human and Divine are about to arrive. The recitation of berachot that serve as part of the vocabulary that connects us to the source of our blessings.

The real me sees generations past, present, and future in the dancing flames of the Shabbat candles.

The real me sweats with the effort of putting up our sukkah; picks pine needles out of his hair from the skhakh; shivers in the chill night air while watching the steam rise from a bowl of squash soup; and revels in the sunlight that streams in through the top of the sukkah.

The real me embraces the Torah even as it's words wrap themselves around me, creating a joyous moment of celebration and a dance during Hakafot on Simhat Torah.

The real me finds pleasure in the transformation that takes place in our home before Pesach while ignoring the upheaval it causes. Unpacking dishes, pots, pans and all of the Seder paraphernalia also means unpacking the treasury of memories that each one holds.

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#### HAZZAN'S VOICE

By Hazzan Jodi Sered-Lever

Dear Friends,

Sukkot is one of my favorite holidays. At the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, where I was invested as a hazzan and spent many years studying, it is a particularly special holiday. Both students and faculty have traveled all over the world for the High Holidays, and now they have returned. The Seminary sukkah seats over 200 people, and the community gathers to meet new people and catch up with old friends. There is an excitement in the air. With all of the greenery and decorations, the sukkah is beautiful. And it becomes even lovelier when it is full of people. During this festival, we build little booths, but we also build community.

We have this same fullness of people here at B'nai Tikvah. The air in our synagogue has so much energy on an evening when there are programs and meetings going on. On Sunday mornings, there is barely room to move in the lobby and the school wing. I want to take this opportunity to invite everyone in our congregational family to be a part of this excitement and to help build our community throughout the year. High quality activities take place here at B'nai Tikvah all of the time. The Sisterhood and Men's Club have a wide range of programs scheduled for this year. The Makelah, our synagogue choir, meets on Tuesdays at 8pm. The Adult Education schedule has many different courses to offer you both in the evenings and during the day. We have minyan every weekday evening at 7:30pm. There is a group that gathers to sing between Mincha and Maariv on Shabbat afternoons. USY and Kadima are off to a great start and would be thrilled if your youngster would join them. Every person who enters the synagogue adds to its beauty. I look forward to seeing you at B'nai Tikvah very soon!

B'shalom, Hazzan Jodi M. Sered-Lever

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Applicants must be 14-19 years old and be members of a Conservative congregation.

Registration has now begun for the biennial MERCAZ USA-Canada/ Women's League Essay Competition. Five scholarships for Conservative Movement Israel programs in the amounts of \$1000, \$600, \$400 and \$250 will be awarded for use in covering expenses of a Conservative Movement sponsored trip to Israel in 2000-2001. Entries must be postmarked no later than November 1st, with winners announced at the biennial Women's League convention, December 10-13, 2000, in Washington, DC.

For more information and to receive an entry form, contact MERCAZ USA at 212-533-7800 ext 2016 or check out the web site:

http://www.mercazusa.org/programs/women\_contest.htm



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#### Bowl with B'nai Tikvah

Even though the season officially started last month, we have added new teams for the next round. Carolier also offered us additional lanes and we're looking for five more couples to fill them. Due to the holidays, we have a short season this year, which resumes on November 11. The remaining schedule is Dec 9, Jan 13, Feb 10, March 31, May 12, and June 9.

If you can make most of these Saturday night dates, we'd love to have you. No experience necessary (or so it seems).

Call Gary Bergman at 246-7285 or e-mail Bowling@Bnaitikvah.org



#### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REPORTS

by Ann Kanarek-

#### WE HAD A GREAT BEGINNING!!

With a special excitement, our students eagerly started classes, met their teachers, received their books and settled into a new year of learning. Welcome back everyone and best wishes for a successful academic year.

Many of our new and returning families attended the annual Parent Reception and classroom orientation. The teachers appreciated meeting you and thank you for your support and encouragement.

Pictured are the new members of the 2000-01 Religious School staff, left to right: David Kanarek, Rebecca Leventhal, Ora Topiol, Tamar Wiener, Sara Chvala, Aaron Mizrahi, Loren Hurwitz, Melissa Director, Gina Giuffre, Marlo Finfer, (if front row): Kfir Weinraub and Andrew Kanarek. (Missing from picture: Jodi Brenner and Noah Krug)

#### SHALOM UV'RACHA...

Greetings and Blessings to our New Students

Allison Boda, Lindsey Brody, Noah Cadoff, Emily Carey, Harrison Charwot, Adam Cohen, Erica Eisenberg, Robert Fliegelman, Evan Gottesman, Lauren Jackenthal, Simone Klein, Cory Levine, Lindsey



Margulies, Brett Peters, Hannah Sherman, Lauren Wistreich, Andrew Woller, Stephen Woller, Rachel Glass, Cara Sherman, Kyle Spivak, Sarah Feldman, Rina Freedman, Joshua Kamen, Alexandra Mevorah, Jeffrey Mevorah, Jennifer Mevorah, Keith Sperling, Ellie Tunison, Adam Brooks, Rebecca Eisenberg, Justin Korn, April Levine, Zacary Sherman, Samantha Bell, Justin Chinich, Kyle Morse, Michael Zadjura, Rachel Cohen, Annie Rogove, Glenn Kipnis

#### NEW TEACHERS

This fall, we are delighted to welcome eleven new teachers to our staff.

JODI BRENNER joins our staff as a Dalet (sixth grade) teacher. She is a Rutgers University Graduate School of Education student and is currently student teaching in Franklin Township. Jodi brings a fresh and exciting teaching style to our pre B'nai Mitzvah students.

SARA CHVALA is currently enrolled in the Rutgers Master's of Education program majoring in English and Judaic Studies.

Sara also sings with the Rutgers Jewish Accapella group "Kol Halayla." She joins our staff as a Kindergarten assistant and Chai School teacher. She brings a special warmth and compassion to our student and is committed to giving them the best.

GINA GIUFFRE is a mother of two girls, a native New Yorker and recently became a synagogue member. She joins our staff as a music specialist on the primary (K-2) level. Her passions include dance, foreign language and the beach. Her special talent and musical spirit will enliven our school and enhance our program.

MARLO FINFER is one of our new Gimel (fifth grade) teachers. She is a Gratz College and Temple University graduate and a certified elementary teacher with several years of public and religious school experience. She brings a unique blend of Jewish commitment and teaching competence to our school. We wish Marlo our very best as she is preparing to get married next month, here at B'nai Tikvah.

LOREN HURWITZ is retired after over 30 years in the information technology field. He has many years of b'nai mitzvah and religious school teaching. This is his first year at B'nai Tikvah and he will join the staff teaching our 5th graders (Gimel class). Loren brings an extensive knowledge of Judaism to his students.

ANDREW KANAREK is a third year student at Rutgers University studying Biomathematics and Natural Resource
Management. He joins our Alef staff as an assistant teacher. Andrew brings a special vitality and enthusiasm to our school.

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## B'NAI TIKVAH BULLETIN BOARD

#### FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

New Administrator Hours for autumn 2000 (Oct - Dec)

In order to be more accommodating for those congregants who work, our Administrator, Hadas, will be in the office on Tuesday evenings from 4:30 PM until 7:00 PM. Hadas will not be in the office on Tuesday afternoon from 12:30 PM until 4:30. She will also be leaving on Monday's at 3:45. If you have any questions, please contact the synagogue office at (732) 297-0696.

#### THE SOUND OF MUSIC

Dear Congregants,

Brunswick Acres Elementary School, in South Brunswick, has a third and fourth grade instrument program. Unfortunately, not all children can afford to rent or purchase an instrument, therefore they cannot participate in this wonderful learning opportunity.

If anyone has an old instrument sitting at home unused, please consider donating it to the school. There is a tax deduction for the donation and the joy you could bring to a child is priceless.

Anyone who wishes to donate an instrument, no matter what condition, please contact me.

Thank you, Jodi Marcou (732/422-6628)

#### WHO WANTS TO BE A WEBMASTER

B'nai Tikvah's website is now multi-user enabled. Which, in English, means that more than one person can now make changes, additions, and corrections to any of our pages without having to report to a central webmaster. A simple set of commands (EDIT, SAVE, and RESET), installed on your computer, makes the process as easy as editing a local document. What you do with the site, is up to you. But, not to worry, backups are maintained and help is just a click away.

If you're interested, see bnaitikvah.org, click on-line community, click who wants to be a webmaster.

Regards, Gary

#### MAZEL TOV ON YOUR **UPCOMING SIMCHA**

It is customary to throw candy at the couple while they are on the bima during their aufruf. So that you don't have to worry about small details, The Sisterhood of Congregation B'nai
Tikvah will put together 50 bags of candy that
will be available on the Shabbat morning of
your aufruf.

All you need to do is:

1) Call Suse Rosenstock if your aufruf is
before Oct. 15, 2000 or after May 15, 2001
at 732-329-3101. Otherwise, call Gale
Dillman at 732-821-7392.

2) Give us your date.

3) Send a check for \$36 to Sisterhood, attn:
Gale Dillman/Aufruf donation, to
Congregation B'nai Tikvah, 1001 Finnegan's
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Baskets of the candy throws will be waiting for
you at the synagogue. Thank you for your
support of our Sisterhood. details, The Sisterhood of Congregation B'nai

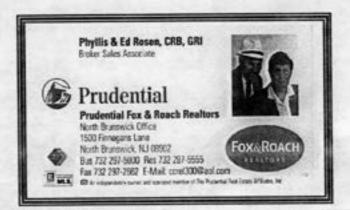
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NOAH KRUG is a senior at Rutgers University, majoring in Public Relations & Communications with a minor in Jewish Studies. He currently runs his own business doing marketing and web design for small businesses. He joins our Chai School faculty and will bring a positive Jewish feeling and attitude to our teen program.

REBECCA LEVENTHAL is a sophomore at the Rutgers College of Nursing and is studying sign language and communication, as well. She joins our staff as a "Chai" School teacher. Becky's friendliness and creativity will be a wonderful asset to our program.

AARON MIZRAHI is a second year student at Rutgers University majoring in political science and information systems. Aaron's parents are from Istanbul, Turkey and he grew up in a Sephardic household. Aaron brings a unique Jewish understanding to our students. He will be doing Supplemental Instruction with our older students.

ORA TOPIOL is a Rutgers University student majoring in English and Visual Arts. She recently spent a year in Israel. Ora will be assisting in our Alef classes. Her special skills and talents will be an asset in our third grade class.

TAMAR WIENER is a pre-med student at Rutgers University. She has several years of experience at JESC (Jewish Education for Special Children). Tamar joins our staff as an assistant in the first and second grade level. Her patience and love of young children will be a very positive addition to our school.

We are also happy to welcome back all of our other fine staff members: Joel E. Cohen, Phyllis Edley, David Kanarek, Marshall Lesack, Melanie Rodgers, Cantor Jodi Sered-Lever, Kfir Weinraub, Carol Winter, Miriam Ziegler.

#### IMPORTANT SCHOOL REMINDERS

SUNDAY: OCTOBER 1: NO SCHOOL, Rosh HaShanah SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8: Chai School special program SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15: NO SCHOOL, Sukkot TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17: Sukkah visits, Alef - Hei WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18: Sukkah visits, Alef - Hei

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21:

Welcome Ceremony for New Religious School Students: Join us at Simchat

Torah services as we honor new students, 6:00 PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22: NO SCHOOL, Simchat Torah

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29: Jewish Book Month author: Elsa Okon Rael visits

JEWISH BOOK FAIR

MON, OCTOBER 30-

THURS, NOV. 2: Book Fair continues SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5: Chai School Gleaning trip

First grade PACT program: My Synagogue

JEWISH BOOK FAIR

On behalf of the Religious School staff and faculty, we wish you a year of happiness, health and shalom.

#### L'SHANAH TOVAH!!





## **Upcoming Adult Education Programs**

Congregation B'nai Tikvah is offering several adult education courses in October, November, and December. All are free and none require prior knowledge nor knowledge of Hebrew. Watch for additional details and course descriptions in future releases. The courses include:

- The World of Midrash, Rabbi Hilsenrath, to be determined.
- Jewish Foundations: Life Cycles, Rabbi David M. Eligberg, Wednesdays: October 4, 11, 18, 25, November 1, and 8 from 10am to noon.
- Jewish Foundations: Jewish Holidays, Rabbi David M. Eligberg, Wednesdays: November 15, 22, 29, December 6, 13, 22 from 10am to noon.
- Ethics: The Final Frontier, Rabbi David M. Eligberg, Wednesdays: November 29, December 6, 13, 20 at 7:30pm. These are the voyages of . . . Using several provocative episodes from the Star Trek universe, we will explore a series of ethical dilemmas and their implications for our own decision-making
- Genesis: Creation through the Tower of Babel, Rabbi David M. Eligberg, Wednesdays: October 11, 18, and 25, at 7:30pm. An exploration of the sacred history that establishes the unique relationship of God as Creator and central figure in the Bible. These opening chapters of the Torah are full of powerful theological statements about the nature of God, human existence, the world and their interconnections.
- Exploring Jewish Values through Stories, Cantor Jodi M. Sered-Lever: Tuesdays, November 7, 14, 21, 28 from 10:30 to 11:15am. Each week we will renew our spirit by examining stories with a particular Jewish theme and exploring how they may relate to our life experiences. Come and join in the dialogue as we discuss the themes present in these tales and discover what is meaningful to us.
- Family Relationships in the Torah, Mrs. Donna Glazer, to be determined, at 7:30pm. Love, hate, sibling rivalry, parental favoritism, marital discord These are just a few of the descriptions of the relationships that we see in the Torah Come and learn about how our biblical patriarchs and matriarchs interacted with one another Were they really so different from us? What can we learn from them?
- Hebrew Literacy: One-Day Marathon, Rabbi David Eligberg, Sunday, November 12 at 9:30am. Learn the basics of Hebrew reading in a one day Hebrew Literacy marathon. This one day crash course is either a wonderful introduction or an excellent refresher to the Hebrew alphabet and vowel system. Amaze yourself with what can be accomplished in an exciting and supportive atmosphere. Be sure to sign up for the follow up sessions. After all practice makes perfect. Cost: \$18.00 includes all materials, lunch and snacks
- Hebrew Literacy: Level I, Larry Cohen, Tuesdays: November 14, 21, 28, December 5, 12, 19 at 7:30pm. Learning to read Hebrew will help you participate in the services. This knowledge of Hebrew reading can open endless opportunity to learn more about Judaism. This class will introduce you to the Jewish Alphabet and vowels.
- Kohelet (Ecclesiastes): Rabbi Kerry Olitzky, Thursdays: November 30 December 7, 14, at 7:30pm. Come explore the message of this teacher of wisdom of the Bible as he explores his own life and the experiences he has learned from living. We will read directly from the text (in English translation) while reflecting on our own lives. Learn more about the text as you learn more about yourself.

To register for the courses, call the synagogue office at 732-297-0696 or visit the web page at bnaitikvah.org/ and complete a registration form on-line.

# Sisterhood Sizzles

#### Coming Soon...

#### Thursday October 19th -

Show and Tell Discussion with Dessert in the Sukkah. Bring your favorite or most interesting Jewish "thing" (book, jewelry, artwork, etc.) to our meeting and give a short story about it.

#### Monday November 13th -

Paid up Membership Dinner – watch your mail for your invitation. To enjoy this buffet dinner and live entertainment all you have to do is pay your sisterhood dues to come.

#### Sunday December 3rd -

Hanukkah Bazaar. Get all of your Hanukah shopping done at our Hanukah bazaar. If last year was any indication you'll find everything from gelt for the children to beautiful works of art. From 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

#### Sunday December 17 -

Makeover's with Maddy. Come to a live make over meeting with a professional make up artist. Learn how to become a whole new you.

#### DON'T HAVE TIME TO COOK?

Purchase a Shabbat dinner for the third Friday of each month! See the order form in this issue of HaKol or call Teresa Samtur at 821-8163.

## PLANNING A WEDDING OR B'NAI MITZVAH?

Order the B'nai Mitzvah computer program to help you keep everything organized and at your fingertips. See the order form in this issue of HaKol.

#### **NEED TO SEND A CARD?**

Why go out to Hallmark when you can call Sandra and she can send a torah fund card. Please give her a call at 940-8744 and for \$3.50, a card can be sent for any occasion or just to let someone know that you are thinking of him or her.

#### LEAGRAM DISCOUNTS

Leagrams are cards sent in honor of, in memory of, in celebration of ect. They cost 3\$ each if you by 5 for 15\$ you get 6. Its easy. Just email Toby at tgehr18@yahoo.com with your info and she will send it out, or call 1732-329-1511 and ask for Toby or leave a message.

#### **FAMILY SHABBAT**

The monthly children's service is held the third Friday night of each month at 7:00 p.m. Anyone interested in sponsoring the Oneg Shabbat following this service can call Lisa Seidman at 297-6950. Interested in helping lead the service? Contact Jackie Master at 545-8021.

#### **GIFT SHOP**

Deborah Spigner (545-8457) and Teresa Samtur (821-8163) are available for all your Judaica needs: mezzuzot, kippot, candles, candle sticks, challah plates and more. There are lots of new items available – come in and browse.

#### **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION**

Don't forget to bring in your Box Tops for Education and drop them off in the school wing.



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### Men's Club

#### KICK-OFF MEETING

The Men's Club offers a special invitation to all new male members of the temple to our opening meeting of the year. We would enjoy meeting and getting to know you and would like to introduce ourselves to you. The Men's Club meets the second Sunday of every month for bagels and lox, lively banter, a time to schmooze and listen to some good speakers. This will be an organizational meeting, nothing serious and we hope you will attend.

Date:	Sunday, October 8, 2000
Time:	10:00 a.m.
Location:	B'nai Tikvah
Remember:	Bagels & Lox all you can eat
Cost:	\$3.00
Sincerely,	
The Executive I (732) 821-6237	Board
-	YES! I am delighted to join the Men's Club
Name	
Address	
Phone#	

Please make check for \$25.00 payable to Congregation B'nai Tikvah Men's Club and mail to:

Men's Club c/o Congregation B'nai Tikvah 1001 Finnegan's Lane North Brunswick, NJ 08902

### Nursery School News

by Fran Pearlson

Smiling faces, happy voices - these are the sights and sounds being seen in our nursery school this fall.

In our school this September are a group of children who are ready, willing, and eager to learn! Our teachers have anticipated this and have planned wonderful lessons and exciting activities.

We are honored to have Rabbi Eligberg perform his Rosh Hashanah puppet show for our children.

We are sure this will delight the children as they learn more about the Jewish New Year.

In honor of Sukkot, our nursery school children will be taking a trip to Giamarese Farms in October to harvest apples and pumpkins. In our nursery school, our holidays are joyous celebrations and opportunities for hands-on learning experiences!

Our nursery school is bustling with exciting activities and programs. During the month of October the children will participate in a Fire Safety program, which includes seeing the big red fire truck. To end

our exciting month Pets, Pets, Pets will conduct a live reptile show to entertain our children.

#### **Upcoming Nursery School Events**

We are about to launch our Innisbrook Wraps Fund-raiser on Monday, October 2nd. They offer a wide selection of wrapping paper for every occasion, including Chanukah. If you are interested in purchasing wrapping paper, contact our Fund Raising Chairs, Dinah Harmon (732) 940-1108 or Elizabeth Reichbart (732) 274-2441. Proceeds generated from this fund-raiser will enable the nursery school to purchase new playground equipment.

Our 2nd annual Holiday Gift Bazaar will take place on Thursday, December 7th in our social hall. At our bazaar, you will find your holiday gifts in one convenient place.

Your support in our fund-raising efforts is greatly appreciated!









Adult Education is trying to organize a series of discussions about

#### Jews around the world

If you or someone you know can lead a "Dinner and Learn" about one of the many unique groups of Jews, please call Nurit Brown at (732) 297-0594

Ideally the dinner part would include food from the ethnic group in discussion. Therefore we prefer the leader to instruct a cooking session that would prepare the food for the "Dinner and Learn"

#### SOCIAL ACTION

So many good causes, so little time

#### B'NAI TIKVAH RACES FOR THE CURE SUNDAY OCTOBER 29, 2000



On Sunday morning, October 29, 2000, thousands of people will gather at Bristol-Myers Squibb on Route 206 in Princeton for the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation New Jersey RACE FOR THE CURE S. The events include a Men's and Women's 5K (3.1 mile) run, a Co-Ed 5K Walk, a Co-Ed 1 mile Health Walk and Children's Races.

The Komen New Jersey RACE, one of 107 held nationwide, is expecting over 18,000 attendees this year (8,600 participants in 1999). Seventy-five percent of the proceeds will benefit medically underserved women in New Jersey through programs, including free or low-cost mammograms, support and educational programs for breast cancer survivors. Twenty-five percent will be applied to the Komen National Grants program for research dedicated to finding a cure for breast cancer.

#### Race Update

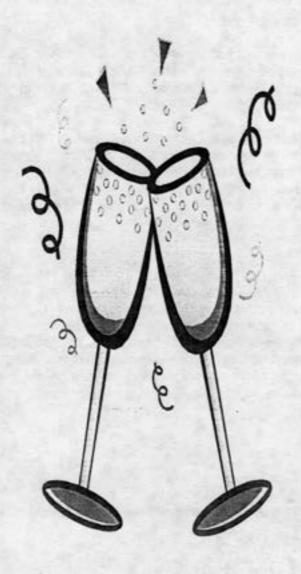
To those representing Congregation B'nai Tikvah on Sunday October 29, 2000 (15 participants) in the Susan G. Komen Foundation Race for the Cure, Thank You. The team package, which includes T-Shirts, will be picked up from race organizers on Monday October 16th. Cheryl Goldstein will call all participants to arrange for the distribution of race materials. Also, a team photo will be taken on race day at 10:00 at the Team Tent. If you have any questions regarding this event, please call or e-mail Cheryl Goldstein (732-821-7845 or cheryl.goldstein@bnaitikvah.org) Remember to continue getting pledges from friends, co-workers, family, and neighbors. Pledges may be given at the race or mailed at a later date.

#### CROP WALK SUNDAY OCTOBER 29, 2000

This year the Crop Walk will be held on Sunday, October 29th, early afternoon. Once again, the date was set to accommodate our religious holiday schedule. We should all feel good about this recognition by the organizers of the walk. Our contribution in numbers and funds raised is too great to set a walk date that would exclude the B'nai Tikvah participants. There will be more information as the date gets closer. Call Steve or Renee Levin with any questions: 422-8590

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#### **HURRY LIMITED SEATING**



Our evening begins at 9:00 PM sharp on December 31, when Classical Caterers throws open the doors for the sumptuous cocktail hour with non-stop music. Then join us for an elegant dinner until 2:00 AM, January 1, 2001. Get your appetite revved up and your dancing shoes polished and join us for a party to end all parties.

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- Reservations call 297-6444

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- Elaborate Dessert
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# BOOK CLUB

#### FALL INTO READING

Tuesday, October 4 "Resistance" by Anita Shreve. The meeting is at 8:00 PM at Shirley Engel's house. Call to RSVP and get directions: 732-297-3198.

Tuesday, December 5 (Synagogue Library - 8pm): The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver. All are welcome. This book discussion should prove to be quite lively and interesting because this is a story told by the wife and four daughters of a fierce, evangelical Baptist who takes his family and mission to the Belgian Congo in 1959.

All are welcome! Come read with us! The discussions are very lively, informative and enjoyable. Any questions contact Deborah Spigner 732-545-8457.

Remember if you plan to purchase any of these books they are available through Barnes & Noble, just sign into the B'nai Tikvah website and "go shopping" - Barnes & Noble will credit a percentage to B'nai Tikvah or purchase your Barnes & Noble Retail Scrip (in \$10 denominations) on Sunday mornings or by completing the order form in this issue of HaKol - what easy fundraisers!!!!!

#### PHILHARMONIC PERFORMS JUDAS MACCABAEUS

On Tuesday evening December 19, 2000, the Philharmonic Orchestra of New Jersey will present a performance of Handel's holiday oratorio Judas Maccabaeus at 8:15 pm in the Prudential Hall at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark.

Prior to the concert, from 7:30 to 8:00 pm, Dr. Eugene Korn, Judaic Scholar of the Jewish Community Centers of Metrowest and Adjunct Professor of Jewish Thought at Seton Hall University, will speak on the history and significance of the Jewish victory over Hellenism in the time of Judah Maccabee.

Ticket prices are \$26, \$20, \$16, \$13, \$7

If interested in purchasing tickets, please call the synagogue office on 297-0696.

#### FIFTY PLUS

The Fifty Plus Group will meet on Tuesday, October 24, 2000 at 1:00 PM in the social hall. What is a "Bazonki"? Come and be surprised! Entertainment and refreshments included!! Come and learn about our future programs and plans. All congregation members and jewish friends are invited.

#### ONLINE COMMUNITY

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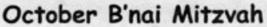
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#### KADIMA OCTOBER SCHEDULE

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#### PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

By Mitchell Frumkin

My Fellow Congregants,

As we as Jews gather this week to look back at our accomplishments over the past year and to repent for our failings, we also gather to look forward to the new year with anticipation and enthusiasm. This coming year brings to us, as a Jewish community, some exciting changes in the environment in which we will be living.

One of these changes first became clear to us a few months ago, when for the first time in our country's history a major political party nominated a Jew for Vice President. While to us, there is no question that a Jew has the capability to fill this position, a recent article in Jewish Monthly titled "The Lieberman Breakthrough", which was pointed out to me by my wife, shows the impact this nomination is already having on the American people and their knowledge of us, as Jews.

While we generally equate the media with bringing us "real time" information on things from wars to sporting events, we now see the media, on a day to day basis, explaining to the country who we are and what we believe in as Jews. To quote the article, "An educational process has already taken place: pronunciation guides at media outlets across America now carry words such as Shabbat, tallit, Tisha B'Av and soon lulav and etrog." This ongoing information, being given to our neighbors and friends, will not only help them to understand us and our religion, but I believe will also allow Senator Lieberman, and others from minority groups, to become accepted as leaders in any part of our everyday lives, not just politics.

As we move forward into the new year, there are many things, thanks to the leadership shown not only in the offering of this position, but also in the acceptance of it by Senator Lieberman that we should all be proud of irrespective of our political party. Wishing you and your family and happy and healthy New Year,

Mitch Frumkin, President

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The real me is engaged in a dialogue across the centuries with Abraham, Moshe, Isaiah, Hillel, Rashi, Maimonides, the Ba'al Shem Tov all of us together unraveling the meaning of the Divine word.

The real me feels the connection of family, from those for whom I was named to those who played a special role in my life. The real me feels a debt of gratitude for those who continue to enrich my life with their love and support. As a result, the real me calls his mother daily even if it is at the end of a day that seems to have exceeded its twenty-four hour allotment. The real me always listens attentively to his wife and answers in words of more than one syllable. He also brings home flowers on erev Shabbat and remembers that it is in the little things that we show our appreciation.

The real me is present for family events, the mundane and the special. From dinner on a Tuesday night, to the Shabbat table, to the birthdays, anniversaries, and simple events that spread through the calendar.

The real me is enthralled by the young child who seems to transform daily - new words, new abilities, a smile that brightens my day. The real me can barely contain his excitement at the prospect of a second child. I wonder how I will best be able to make the beauty of Judaism apparent to them.

The real me also changes diapers, empties the diaper genie, gets wet during bath time and occasionally chases a naked behind down the hallway.

The real me often finds himself fighting against the tide of mundane and ordinary demands of daily life that all of us struggle with. There are moments when the real us, the unique us that God created us to be, seems an unattainable goal.

For this reason, we gather on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur surrounded by family, friends and community who see both our real selves and the work in progress. We join together to encourage each other. We want to learn where God's litmus test will place us on the journey to our real selves. We sift through our experiences of the months gone by searching for those moments when we lived up to the ideal image we have of ourselves; when we translated our values into the realm of human existence.

The High Holy Days help us discover who will live to the fullest and become most true to our real selves. The High Holy Days challenge me to make the real me show up more often than he does now. The holiness of these days reminds that we can tap into the ultimate source of strength in whose Divine image we are created, and to discover that our real self is a reflection of God's hopes and prayers for each of us.

May each of us be blessed in the coming year to move closer to discovering the real us that the Holy One waits for.

With Blessings, Rabbi David M. Eligberg



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Issues in the Jewish Community

World News from a Jewish Perspective

When: Every 4th Monday of the month

at 7:45 pm after minyan

Starting: Mon., Oct. 30th

Location: Library

Contact: Synagogue Office at 297-0696

Please RSVP by Wed., Oct. 25th.

Topic: Election 2000: Is Lieberman too Jewish?

Note: Major news events that happen in the coming weeks are always open for discussion.



As you may recall, this past August B'nai Tikvah hosted our first Chai Shabbat honoring those congregants who have been members for more than eighteen years. As part of the festivities, we encouraged these congregants to write their memories of B'nai Tikvah, which we published in a memory book. In order for the entire congregation to enjoy these memories, we've decided to print a different memory each month in the HaKol. This first one comes from Howie Kalish who unfortunately missed the deadline for the memory book but was moved enough after the ceremony to share some of his memories with us. We hope you enjoy them.

## Things I Remembered After Attending Chai Shabbat That I Would Have Liked Included in The Chai Shabbat Memory Book

By Howie Kalish

A few men were cutting bagels for a Shari Shalom Men's Club breakfast when in walks the president of the synagogue who announces that he is an expert at cutting bagels. He picked up a knife and proceeded to cut a bagel and about half way into his thumb. I won't mention his name since he has left, if I may use the term, the parish.

Whenever there was a bang or crash at Shari Shalom everyone asked if a certain individual was ok. I won't mention his name either, but since we merged, to my knowledge Dave Greenfield has not had an accident (this is not meant to be a kin-a-her-a).

Bingo was a major fundraiser at Shari Shalom. Walter converted half of his egg warehouse into a Bingo hall. It was so long that when someone yelled bingo, we would have to run down the aisle to keep the game moving. Now I have to pay and go to the gym for that same exercise. Of course, I don't have to deal with the smoke in the gym. When it got very smoky in the bingo hall, which was always, we would turn on the exhaust fan to remove it. Walter put in a very powerful fan that would not only remove the smoke, but all the heat and anyone that was less than ninety pounds. We lost two players.

I was Membership Vice President for a while at Shari Shalom. One of the things I did was to make cold calls to families in the area to try and set up appoints for Bert Sichel and myself to meet with in order to try and induce them to join our synagogue. One of those calls was to a family in Hidden Lake who told me that their builder was going to build a synagogue for the residents. I reported this to our president. That started Shari Shalom's involvement in the merger that was to become B'nai Tikvah.

Another good time we had at Shari Shalom was to dedicate one Men's Club breakfast to roast one of our members. Wives were invited. I think the Friars Club borrowed a lot of our material.

Then came one of our yearly trips to a Catskill resort with the synagogue for fun, frolic, and relaxation. Except for me. The nominating committee was there and I was badgered for about a day and a half to accept the presidency of Shari Shalom. We had already voted to merge and I finally gave in after much kicking and screaming. I'm not going to mention the main culprit of this gang, but he has the same initials as the character that Larry Hagman played on Dallas (and just as ruthless). Knowing that it was going to take about two years to raise the money to build our building, and that there were a number of members who did not want to merge until the building was built, I vowed to myself that I would only be president of Shari Shalom for one year. (If you haven't realized it, when a person becomes president of a synagogue, it's usually for two years). I am proud to say that I was the last president of Shari Shalom and only served for one year. We lost some of those members who needed a new structure in order to have a single entity. Has it been so terrible?

I would now like to commend the Chai Member Committee on the fine job they did in arranging the services/luncheon. As they say, whoever they are, let us all live and be well and come together for a double Chai celebration.

Shalom Howie

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To foster a vibrant egalitarian Jewish community founded in the religious customs and traditions of Conservative Judaism; offering excellent Jewish education and community activities for all ages with commitment to Israel and Jewish communities throughout the world.

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#### B'NAI TIKVAH UPCOMING CALENDAR October 2000

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Rosh Hashanah Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Fast of Gedaliah

Wed. 4th Jewish Foundations: Life Cycles Class

EPIC Program: Parenting Class

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Candle Lighting 6:15 Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Shabbat Shuvah Services

Sunday 8th Men's Club, Chai School Special Program,

Kol Nidre

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Yom Kippur, Yizkor Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> 50+ Board Meeting

Wed. 11th Board Meeting, Jewish Foundation: Life

Cycles Class - Morning Class,

The Genesis Cycle: From creation to the

Tower of Babel – Evening Class Kadima Sukkah Party 7:30

Thurs 12th USY Meeting

Friday 13th Erev Sukkot, Candle Lighting 6:04

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Sukkot Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Sukkot

Monday 16th Sisterhood Board Meeting

Wed. 18th Jewish Foundation: Life Cycles Class – Morning Class, The Genesis Cycle:

From creation to the Tower of Babel -

Evening Class

Thursday 19th Sisterhood General Meeting

Friday 20th Hoshana Rabba Candle Lighting 5:53 Family Shabbat Service

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Yizkor, Shemini Atzeret

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Simchat Torah

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> School Board Meeting, Family Relationship in the Torah Class Kadima Meeting Elections 7:30

Tuesday 24th 50+ Meeting

Weds. 25th Jewish Foundation: Life Cycles Class –

Morning Class

The Genesis Cycle: From creation to the Tower of Babel – Evening Class

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Thursday 26th USY Meeting Friday 27th Candle Lighting 5:43

Sunday 29th Race for the Cure - Walk to Benefit Breast

Cancer Research

The Crop Walk, Religious School - Jewish

Book Fair

Monday 30th Religious School - Jewish Book Fair,

Executive Committee Meeting

Family Relationship in the Torah Class

Tuesday 31" Religious School - Jewish Book Fair

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Weds 1" Jewish Foundation: Life Cycles Class -

Morning Class, Religious School - Jewish

Book Fair

Thursday 2nd Religious School - Jewish Book Fair

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Candle Lighting 4:34

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> First Grade PACT program, New Members Breakfast, Chai School Gleaning Trip.

Religious School - Jewish Book Fair

Monday 6th Board of Directors Meeting



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