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The Voice of Congregation B'nai Tikvah
Our Mission

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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Celebrations & Commemorations

By Cantor Bruce Rockman

This year the month of April contains numerous Jewish celebrations and commemorations. As Passover concludes we have just celebrated our freedom. Monday night, April 8th, we recall the horror of the Holocaust with Yom Hashoah. The Jewish month of Nisan ends and on the 4th day of the new month of Iyar, Yom Hazikaron, Israel Remembrance Day for the Jewish State's fallen soldiers is commemorated. The next day is a day of celebration, Israel Independence Day, Yom Ha'Atzmaut, enjoyed with parades and fireworks, much like our 4th of July.

Throughout the month, we are counting the omer. In ancient Israel, on the second night of Passover, the first sheaves of barley were winnowed into a dry measure (omer) and brought to the Temple in Jerusalem. The priest made an offering to the

public on the next morning by waving the sacrifice in the air in all four directions plus up and down (like the lulav and etrog). The people were showing their gratitude to God by bringing the omer, and only after doing this, could they enjoy the produce from their harvest.

The Seven weeks is the time between Passover and Shavuot. The counting of the omer continued despite the destruction of the Temple. The counting is a link between the Exodus from Egypt and the acceptance of the Torah at Mount Sinai. Despair and Hope.

In Hebrew we use letters to represent numbers. The letter לָ lamed represents 30 and gimmel גַּ is 3. Thus the thirty-third day of the counting of the omer is Lag (לג) b'omer. The day is a respite from the treachery of the Romans who destroyed The Temple and who severely re-

stricted the practice of Judaism. On the thirty-third day, the reprieve allows us a day of celebration.

Our faith allows and proclaims times for joy and sadness, balance. This month is a microcosm of time, reminding us of the hope we have for the future for generations to come. Just as death and the current crises in Israel sadden us, we know that we can look forward to better times. We must find time to celebrate, as our world seems to spin out of control around us. Judaism is religion of faith and action. So when you wonder why so many celebrations and commemorations can take place in one months time, it is a prescription for hope and improvement.

Worship the Lord in gladness, come before God with joyous song.

B'simcha, Cantor Bruce Rockman

Makelah News

Were you lucky enough to hear the Makelah sing the superb choral arrangement of *Shalom Aleichem* on Friday night March 15? The chorus received rave reviews from its fans.

Would you like to hear the Makelah again? Keep the following dates in mind!

April 8, 2002: Yom HaShoah Program

May 18, 2002: Shavuot, Shabbat morning services

June 7, 2002: Friday evening services

Do you want to sing with the Makelah?

Sopranos, altos, tenors and basses are invited to join the B'nai Tikvah Makelah Tuesday evenings at 8:50 PM. Please call Cheryl Asnis at 732-297-5379, Gina Gerstein at 732-329-1198 or Rachel Shaneson at 732-329-2189 for further information.

Fifty Plus Group

The Fifty Plus Group will meet on Tuesday, April 23, 2002 at 1 PM in the Synagogue Social Hall. We will feature a special presentation of the George Segal Program "An American Still Life" prior to its scheduled European Tour. Guests are welcome. If you are not a member and are planning to attend, please call Madeline at 732-297-4240 so that we may be adequately prepared. Refreshments will be served.

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Lunch & Learn

April 6: Cantor Bruce Rockman, Lunch & Sing

June 1: Rabbi David M. Eligberg, To Be Announced

Lunch & Learn follows the Kiddush on Shabbat mornings. Sponsorships available — Co-sponsor, Under \$100; Sponsor, \$100-499; Patron, \$500.

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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REPORTS

By Ann Kanarek

There are many ways to use the Hebrew word **Kavod**. Although **Kavod** is usually translated to mean honor, it comes from the Hebrew, **Kaved**, meaning heavy. This tells us a great deal about our understanding of "honor." Honoring God, people, and our Jewish traditions is a serious matter and a heavy responsibility.

One of our priorities in religious school is to instill this responsibility in each of our students. We want our children to be **menches**, to understand that each person's dignity and worth is to be respected. Pride in ourselves and in what we achieve is

a step in showing pride and honor and respect for what others achieve.

We are very proud of our students in their continued commitment to bringing money for Tzedakah on a weekly basis, purchasing trees in Israel to support JNF (Jewish National Fund), contributing food for the needy of our community, and donating money, furniture and bedding for local homeless families.

Kol Ha Kavod to our students and teachers for continuing to do mitzvot and good work!! We are proud of all of you!!

NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings", a Jewish support group for parents and grandparents of children in interfaith marriages, invites you to join us on Tuesday, April 9th at 7:30 p.m. at Congregation Bnai Tikvah, 1001 Finnigans Lane, North Brunswick, NJ, for:

Part II of "Preparing your Jewish Legacy" with Speaker Genealogist Dr. Nathan Reiss of the Jewish Historical Society.

Dr. Reiss will talk about the journey of learning what we can do to investigate our own Jewish family history. Please mark your calendars and join us to create a wonderful legacy for your family.

EVERYONE WELCOME.
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REFRESHMENTS

RSVP please to Jeanette at 732 246-1393 (for seating only).

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REMINDERS

Friday, April 12: BET CLASS SHABBAT DINNER, 6:30PM followed by SERVICE 8:00PM
Sunday, April 21: DALET CLASS PACT PROGRAM: The Bridges of Mitzvot County, 10:00 am -12:05 pm
Sunday, April 28: CHAI SCHOOL special musical program with the KLEZ DISPENSERS.
Friday, May 3: GIMEL CLASS SHABBAT DINNER, 6:30PM followed by SERVICE, 8:00PM.
Sunday, May 5: DALET CLASS PROGRAM WITH THE RABBI
Sunday, May 5: CHAI SCHOOL ORIENTATION, 11:45AM- Hei students and parents are invited to find out about our curriculum **Na'aseh V'nishma/Learn and Do** program. Rabbi, Education Director, our "Chai" school teachers and a panel of students will describe the program and share their thoughts and experiences.
Friday, May 10: ALEF CLASS HAGIGAT HASIDDUR SERVICE, 7PM--8PM
Sunday, May 12: GIMEL CLASS MOCK WEDDING CEREMONY, 11:30AM

Mitzvah Project

Dear Congregants,

In honor of becoming a Bat Mitzvah, I am collecting personal hygiene items, **twin** sized sheets, pillow cases, towels and wash cloths for Women Aware, a shelter for battered women and their children. Could you please help me? All personal hygiene items must be new but the sheets and towels can be slightly used. The personal hygiene items needed are: full size shampoo, conditioner, band aides, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, shaving cream, combs, baby diapers, baby wipes, bar soap and lotion. Just one of these items can make a difference. I will place a donation box outside the Synagogue office and mark it Allison Baer's Bat Mitzvah Project for Women Aware. I thank you for your time and cooperation. Any questions, call me at (732)940-268.

Sincerely,
Allison Baer

P.S. If it is an inconvenience to drop your items off at the synagogue, I will be more than willing to pick them up at your house.

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! All Welcome!

Our Illustrious President
JOHN ADAMS
And his invaluable wife
ABIGAIL ADAMS
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SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2002
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Congregation B'nai Tikvah
8:00 - 9:30 P.M.

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- 1 Chicken
- 1 lb. salad
- 1 lb. kugel
- 1 challah



For an addition \$5.00 we will deliver your dinner to your door (or to a friend's house as a **special Shabbat gift**). North/South Brunswick only (exceptions can be made, please call).

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 _____ Coleslaw _____ Health
 Kugel: _____ Potato _____ Noodle _____ Apple
 Challah: _____ Traditional _____ Raisin _____ Whole Wheat

Additional Items (available after at least one basic dinner has been ordered)

- Salad: _____ Potato _____ Cucumber _____ X \$2.75 = _____
 _____ Coleslaw _____ Health
 Kugel: _____ Potato _____ Noodle _____ Apple _____ X \$ 3.75 = _____
 Challah: _____ Traditional _____ Raisin _____ Whole Wheat _____ X \$2.75 = _____
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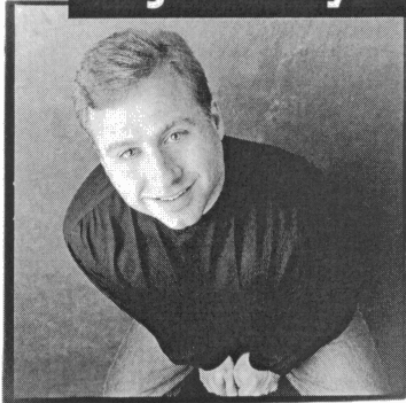
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Johnny Lampert

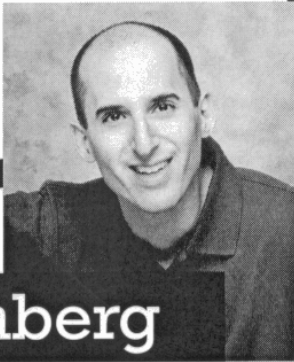


April 20, 2002 @ 8:00 PM
Congregation B'nai Tikvah

Join us and see why people are still talking about last year's show! Enjoy delicious desserts, libations and three of the hottest comics around! Tickets are only \$22.50. Benefactor tickets (\$50) entitle you to your choice of front or back row!

3rd Annual B'nai Tikvah Comedy Cafe

Come have a great time at B'nai Tikvah! After all, if we can schlep there, so can you!

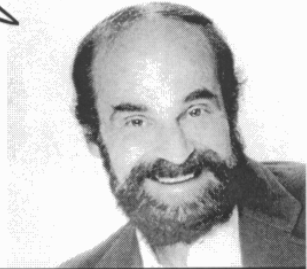


Gary Greenberg

Listen. You'll come, you'll sit, you'll have a piece cake. What's so terrible about that?

For Information or tickets, please contact Jeff Woller (732.821.7941 before 9 PM) or Dan Greenberg (732.297.3780 (before 10PM or Dan. Greenberg@BnaiTikvah.org).

Tickets will also be sold at B'nai Tikvah Sunday mornings 9 AM - 11 AM throughout March.



Ben Kurland

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Nursery School News

by Fran Pearlson



Spring has Sprung...

The changing of seasons is a magical time. April marks the end of winter and the beginning of spring. Spring is a time of excitement in our nursery school. Our children will be watching for signs of spring. They will watch out for new plants poking their heads through the soil, trees growing new leaves and flowers, animals becoming more active, birds building nests and hatching eggs and other wonders of spring. They will be on the lookout for the sights and sounds of spring right in their own schoolyard!

Whatever the weather, together we have fun...

Spring weather can be very unpredictable. You never know when you wake up in the morning if the day will bring rain, wind, sunshine or calm beautiful weather. But whatever the weather, our nursery school will celebrate earth day when "Catch the blue wave" program comes to our school to teach our children how we can protect the earth and its resources by recycling.

Yom Ha'atzmaut

Spring activities continue when the children learn about Yom Ha'atzmaut. They will be baking special cakes, cookies and making flags. The children will also celebrate by participating in a school parade.

Lag Ba'Omer

Our children will have lots of fun as they celebrate the holiday of Lag Ba'Omer with an outdoor picnic. Parents provide the lunches and we provide the blankets. Delicious fruit ices will be served for dessert. Our mini-spring carnival will include bubbles, balls, bouncing on the moon bounce, spin-art and other fun filled activities.

We're off to see the Wizard...

During the month of May our Pre-k parents and children will be going on a class trip to see "The Wizard of Oz" at the Forum Theater in Metuchen. An added feature for the children will be taking a school bus to the show.

Old McDonald Had a Farm . . .

Although our two and a half and three year old classes will not be taking a trip to Old McDonald's farm, they will be going to Von Thurns and Giamarese Farms in May. A fun day is planned.

Get Your Smiles Ready . . .

Please support our new school fundraiser on Sunday, April 7th by taking a moment to make a memorable keepsake portrait of your family. Please sign-up for a family portrait by contacting the nursery school office for an appointment.

Registration Update

Please remember to tell your friends, neighbors and relatives about our school. We have openings in the two and a half year old and three year old classes. Limited availability only for Pre-K. Registration packets can be obtained in the Nursery School office.

NURSERY SCHOOL SNACKTIVITY

Please step into the kitchen with your child (after Pesach!) and enjoy making a breakfast treat that's good for you!

Chocolate For Breakfast?

Would you like to eat chocolate for breakfast? Now you can, if it's chocolate oatmeal! Besides tasting great, chocolate oatmeal contains protein and iron, two nutrients that help build strong, healthy bodies. Your chocolate breakfast is also low in fat and easy to make!

INGREDIENTS:

½ cup oatmeal	1/2 cup milk
1 tablespoon sugar	1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 tablespoon cocoa powder	

Easy Microwave Directions:

1. Have your child mix the oatmeal, sugar, and cocoa powder in a bowl.
2. Add the milk and help your child stir.
3. Place the bowl in the microwave, close the door and set the power on high for 1 minute, 30 seconds (adults should remove the hot bowl).
4. Help your child stir in the vanilla. Let the oatmeal stand uncovered for 1 minute.

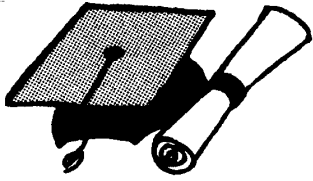
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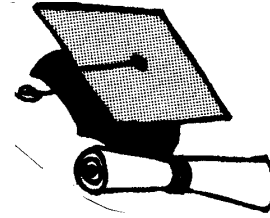
1. Have your child mix the oatmeal, sugar, and cocoa powder in a bowl and set aside.
2. Have your child place milk in a saucepan. Bring it to a boil as your child watches.
3. Stir in the oatmeal mixture and reduce heat to medium setting.
4. Cook for 1 minute, stirring several times.
5. Take the pan off the burner.
6. Have your child carefully stir in vanilla.
7. Let the oatmeal stand covered for 2 to 3 minutes.

Enjoy!





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| <i>{} Jodi Eisenberg, daughter of Marc and Bonnie</i> | <i>{} Amanda Saffer, daughter of Steve and Linda</i> |
| <i>{} Gabriel Eisner, son of Andrew and Sara</i> | <i>{} Frankie Schwimmer, daughter of Howard and Hilary</i> |
| <i>{} Ally Garyn, daughter of Gregory and Jodee</i> | <i>{} Zachary Shapiro, son of Benjamin and Jennifer</i> |
| <i>{} Genifer Goldsmith, daughter of Fred and Debra</i> | <i>{} Rebecca Spigner, daughter of Martin and Deborah</i> |
| <i>{} Jessica Grollman, daughter of Valerie Grollman</i> | <i>{} Ethan Suttner, son of Leon and Lisa</i> |
| <i>{} Nicole Hirsh, daughter of Harvey and Robin</i> | <i>{} Eric Tannenbaum, son of Jeff and Lisa</i> |
| <i>{} Robert Kline, son of Brad Kline and Abby Marcus</i> | <i>{} Max Uninan, son of Howard and Diane</i> |
| <i>{} David Kober, son of Aron and Sabrina</i> | <i>{} Marci Winiarz, daughter of Aaron and Donna</i> |
| <i>{} Jason Marx, son of Paul and Libbie</i> | <i>{} Mark Zell, son of Michael and Jill</i> |

CHAI SCHOOL GRADUATES

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| <i>{} Caren Abschutz, daughter of Marty and Marci</i> | <i>{} Genna Leebaw, daughter of Jeff and Barbara</i> |
| <i>{} Emily Alpert, daughter of Michael and Carol</i> | <i>{} Audrey Levine, daughter of Jerry and Ronnie</i> |
| <i>{} Maya Behar, daughter of Arie and Amy</i> | <i>{} Erin Marx, daughter of Paul and Libbie</i> |
| <i>{} Allison Gordon, daughter of Stephen and Miriam</i> | <i>{} Steven Rekant, son of Scott and Debbi</i> |
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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.

GIFT SHOP

Lots of wonderful new items available -- come in and browse. Open most Sundays from 9 – Noon, or contact Deborah Spigner (545-8457) and Teresa Samtur (821-8163) for all your Judaica needs

LEAGRAM DISCOUNTS

Leagrams are cards sent in honor of, in memory of, in celebration of etc. Leagrams are 15\$ for 6 if paid for in advance, or \$3 if paid for separately. Just contact Terri Woller at 732-422-1770 with all the information, its easy.

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? It's fun and sets a great example for your kids. Contact Jackie Master at 545-8021.

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 or visit the Sisterhood Gift Shop.

FAMILY SHABBAT Dates to Remember

Join us for our April 21 meeting at 10:00AM

Then it's KARAOKE time- an open mike with DJ- lots of fun for all! No talent required!

May 2 - Sisterhood Fashion Show.

Mark your calendar now. It's going to be an exciting evening. Be sure to come and bring your friends!!!!

Sunday, May 19, 2002 -breakfast at 10AM

Followed by the presentation of the new slate and voting for the Sisterhood Board for 2002-2003. This will be followed by a discussion on Rosh Hodash. Come and support your Sisterhood!!!!

In conjunction with and in support of B'nai Tikvah's Social Action Committee, Sisterhood has donated a portion of the proceeds from this year's Purim basket fundraiser to a needy Russian family.



**SHABBAT SHIRAH
UNPLUGGED***

LUNCH & SING

**APRIL 20TH FOLLOWING SHABBAT
SERVICES**

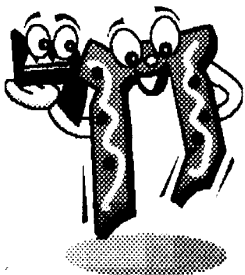
**JOIN CANTOR ROCKMAN
FOR AN AFTERNOON OF SINGING
THE SONGS WE LOVE TO SING.
SONGS OF JOY, SONGS OF LOVE & SONGS FROM ISRAEL**



SONGS TO FEED OUR HEARTS AND SOULS



Please call the Synagogue office by Friday April 12th to make reservations for this FREE event.



***WE WILL ATTEMPT TO REPLICATE
THE SPIRIT OF OUR SHABBAT SHIRA
SING-A-LONG WITHOUT MUSICAL
INSTRUMENTS.**

CONTRIBUTIONS

The following are Contributions to our B'nai Tikvah Funds: (February 15 - March 15)

Yartzeit:

Carole and Howard Kalish, in memory of Geri Cohen
Debra and Scott Rekant, in memory of Sadye Levene
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Jill, Howie, Marc, Melinda and Carrie Rubenstein, in memory of Mollie Seidenberg
Marvin and Phyllis Dantowitz, in honor of the coming Passover Holiday

Cantor's Discretionary Fund:

Marvin and Phyllis Dantowitz, in honor of the coming Passover Holiday

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Mark and Maxine Kasdin, in memory of J. Saul Kasdin
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Gary and Helen Tinkel, in memory of Rose Fisherman (Sandra Newman's mother)
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Social Action Fund

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Tzedakah Fund

Charlotte Winograd, in memory of Harry Winograd

Contributions:

If you are interested in making a contribution to B'nai Tikvah, please fill out the form below and mail it to us at: Congregation B'nai Tikvah, 1001 Finnegan's Lane, North Brunswick, NJ 08902

In honor of: _____
 In memory of: _____
 On the occasion of: _____

Amount of Donation:
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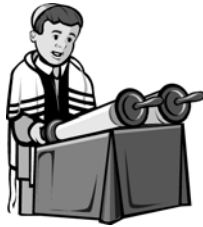
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MAZEL TOV!



April B'nai Mitzvah

- Max Uniman - April 6
- Gabriel Eisner - April 13
- Jason Marx - April 20
- Joshua Nili - April 27



We would like to introduce ourselves again...

We are the

B'nai Mitzvah Mentors

A group of caring and enthusiastic women who have taken on the challenge of helping each of our B'nai Mitzvah Families individually with the process of planning their child's big event.

We don't have all the answers, but we're willing to try and find a stress-free solution to every problem.

If you haven't heard from us yet, we will be in contact soon.

If you cannot wait please call Chairwoman, Cindy Gittleman at 732-274-2253 or Gittleman@comcast.net

(And yes, we are always looking for more helpful hands!)

SPRINGTIME AT CONGREGATION B'NAI TIKVAH

April has arrived! Birds are singing...flowers are blooming...the Yankees and Mets are migrating North. Who could ask for more? Well, we scrip committee members are asking our fellow congregants to continue buying scrip, both supermarket and retail scrip. Supermarket scrip continues to be available in \$5, \$10 and \$20 denominations, with a few stores offering \$25 and \$50 amounts. Scrip is available from A&P, Acme, Foodtown, Grand Union, McCaffrey's, Pathmark, Shop Rite, Stop & Shop and Wild Oats. To purchase scrip:

- visit the scrip table in the Synagogue lobby during Sunday religious school hours
- contact the Synagogue office during business hours
- go on line at www.bnaitikvah.org
- call a scrip committee member (see list below)

THIS MONTH'S HELPFUL HINTS

1. *Need to give a gift, but have no idea what to give? Here's a new idea brought to you by your scrip committee. GENERIC SCRIP! Yep, you got it. The scrip committee has an all-purpose gift certificate that may be purchased for almost any amount. The recipient can then trade it for either supermarket and/or retail scrip. Like cash, but better. The recipient gets a gift more thoughtful than plain cash and Congregation B'nai Tikvah financially benefits, too.*
2. *Have a picnic! It's springtime! Buy some supermarket scrip, purchase your favorite picnic food & drink, gather the family (the dog, too), grab the lawn chairs, go to a park and ENJOY!*

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USY does SA/TO (Social Action/Tikkun Olam) in April

Dear families and USYers,

After a wonderful but extremely busy month of March, in which we concluded with amazing trips to NYC and Boston, we are rushing headlong into amazing events this coming month! Whereas events last month focused around social programming, this month has some fantastic programs in store to support one of the other facets that USY stands for- Social Action/ Tikkun Olam, or SA/TO.

USYers plan on visiting a home for the elderly on April 7th, in which they plan to bring their youthfulness and energy to some people who eagerly await their company. To commemorate Yom HaShoah this month, on April 11th, USY will be hosting a Holocaust survivor from the local area, who will share some experiences with the kids and foster a discussion about anti-Semitism and intolerance today.

Hagalil, the North Jersey Region of USY, is having two events this month that our kids are planning on actively participating in. On April 14th is the annual SA/TO Day, down in Ocean, NJ. Later in the month is the annual Spring Convention. Thirteen of our kids will join hundreds of other high schoolers from around New Jersey for an exciting education, spiritual and social weekend at the Nevele Country Club in the Catskill Mountains. The North/South Brunswick Chapter of USY has applied for multiple awards, and we hope to be awarded them at Spring Convention. Stay tuned to hear how we did!

Finally, as we go into April and look ahead to May, USY is beginning their biggest fundraiser of the year. For Mother's Day, this year (May 12), USY will be selling Lox Boxes to the Temple community. These boxes make a great gift for your mother or wife, and contain all that you need for a breakfast for 4. More information will be available as it gets closer, so watch for future announcements and help us raise money to continue having excellent programming!

Steve Springer is this year's USY Advisor. He can be reached for additional information or questions at 732-729-0750 or via email at USY@bnaitikvah.org.

**Get up to date information
on USY events at our new website:
<http://bnaitikvah.org/USY>**

USY Calendar for April

- ◆ April 7th *Home for the Elderly visitation*
- ◆ April 11th *Discussion on anti-Semitism and intolerance, featuring guest speaker*
- ◆ April 14th *Regional SA/TO Day in Ocean, NJ*
- ◆ April 26th-28th *Hagalil Spring Convention*

ALARM ME

For those of you who may be responsible for locking up the synagogue after a meeting, here's some handy instructions for you to follow:

Before Activating the Alarm System Please Check:

- That all lights in the building are off, except for emergency hall lights. Please don't forget to check the School wing, the storage next to the boys' bathroom in the School wing, and the bathrooms both in the School wing and near the Sanctuary.
- That the green light on the alarm pad is on.

If the green light is not on, it means that one of the doors is not properly shut, or that there is still somebody in the building (we have motion sensors included in the system).

Once you verified that there is nobody in the building, check all exit doors:

- ◆ 3 main entrance doors (including the one you are standing next to) – the Main entrance, the classroom entrance, and the school wing entrance between the two.
- ◆ 1 emergency exit door from the Sanctuary
- ◆ 2 emergency exit doors from the Social hall
- ◆ 1 emergency exit door at the end of the hall leading to the Caterer's kitchen
- ◆ 1 exit door between the Caterer's kitchen and ours
- ◆ All doors leading out of the Kiddish Room to the patio
- ◆ 1 exit door in classroom 7 in the School wing

In order to activate the alarm system,

1. Put your personal code in
2. Push the number 2 (marked "away")
3. The green light will turn red

After activating the alarm system, please leave the building as fast as you can, and make sure that the door is properly shut. Sometimes you need to press the top part of the door in order to shut it properly.

GET THE B'NAI TIKVAH



Congregation B'nai Tikvah sponsors a VISA® credit card which is offered to all of its members and friends and families of members.

The benefits

- ◆ Travel and leisure awards program
- ◆ No annual fee
- ◆ Competitive interest rate

To apply for the card, please contact the synagogue office at 732.297.0696.

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