

The Bulletin

Congregation B'nai Israel, Millburn, New Jersey
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CBI PRESENTS

THE FIRST OF OUR SPRING / SUMMER
MUSICAL FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES



WILL TAKE PLACE ON

FRIDAY NIGHT, APRIL 20TH

THE SERVICE WILL BEGIN AT
8:00PM

FEATURING:
YALE UNIVERSITY'S JEWISH A CAPELLA GROUP:

MAGEVET



See page 5
for Passover
Schedule

Shabbat Services

Friday Kabbalat Shabbat	8:15 p.m.
Shabbat Morning	9:00 a.m.
Torah for Tots	10:30 a.m.
Tefilot Ketanim	10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Journeymen's Minyan (4/21)	10:45 a.m.
Yaldeinu (4/14)	11:15 a.m.

Minyan Rotation

Sorkin – Szerlip	April 1 – April 7
Tambor – Weiner	April 8 – April 14
Weinstein – Winnik	April 15 – April 21
Wolk – Zucker	April 22 – April 28
Abrams – Basarab	April 29 – May 5

Candle Lighting

April 6	7:07 pm
April 13	7:14 pm
April 20	7:21 pm
April 27	7:29 pm
May 4	7:36 pm

Mincha / Havdallah

April 7	7:22 pm/8:22 pm
April 14	7:29 pm /8:29 pm
April 21	7:36 pm /8:36 pm
April 28	7:44 pm /8:44 pm
May 5	7:51 pm/8:51 pm

Community News

Mazel Tov

Irving Alper on his milestone birthday.

Rochelle & Gary Baron on the birth of their grandson Oliver Henry Gordon.

Jennifer Zelnick in honor of her being named a 2012-13 Luce Scholar by the Henry Luce Foundation.

Condolences

Richard Meth on the passing of his father Walter Meth.

Jacqueline Printz (Finkel) on the passing of her beloved father, Nat Printz.

Yaela Faitlowicz Gayer on the passing of her beloved mother Irene Faitlowicz.

The Goldman Family on the passing of Gerson "Gerry" Goldman.

Susan Silverman on the passing of her beloved father, Herbert Buchman.

Refuah Shleima

Robert Wallach, Meryl Griff Hubscher, Lisa Ryan Diamond, and Jackie Fried

FROM THE RABBI'S DEN

By Rabbi Steven Bayar

As you receive this month's bulletin, we will be preparing to celebrate Passover. While there are many themes to Passover, perhaps the most prevalent Seder theme is best expressed at the beginning of the ritual when, for all to hear, we state "Let all who are hungry come and eat (the Passover meal) with us."



But what exactly does this phrase mean? If we are to take the statement in its literal sense: that we invite all who are hungry to partake of food with us, wouldn't it be logical to make the statement with the door open? Asserting this phrase while we are already sitting in a closed house does not get the message to those who need to hear it. Conversely, why do we only open the door (for Elijah) after the meal has concluded? So the phrase must mean something other than what we see at face value.

In Biblical times, consuming the Passover sacrifice was a requirement to remain a member of the community. If you did not eat of the Passover you were "cut off" from the Children of Israel. Perhaps asserting that "all who are hungry may come and eat" refers to a more spiritual hunger; let all who wish to be spiritually uplifted and connected to us come and join us.

And yet the door is still closed.

Could this phrase be meant for those around the table who might be attending out of obligation or custom – but who really do not "feel" the need for Passover?

Perhaps this is why we read about the four children: wise, contrary, simple and unknowing. Each of them is around the table – and no matter where they stand spiritually – they are welcome.

This Passover, let all who are hungry; physically, emotionally and spiritually be welcome at our tables.

Steven Bayar



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MUSICAL NOTES

By Cantor Lorna Wallach

Please join us for the first of our special “musical Shabbatot” for this spring/summer, featuring **MAGEVET**, Yale University’s “first, best, and only” Jewish, Hebrew, and Israeli a cappella group. The group will sing during the service which will be held on Friday night, **APRIL 20, 2012 at 8:00PM**. (Note earlier start time.)

Magevet, founded in 1993, is currently made up of 19 undergraduates (freshmen through seniors). It is also exciting to note that a member of CBI, Atid Kimelman (son of Jill and Boaz), sings with this group! It will be an added treat to hear him perform with the group. Magevet is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to spread Hebrew, Jewish and Israeli music to communities around the world, including communities which are often not exposed to such music. To execute this mission, the group travels on two major tours each year (funded by their concerts), and sing at several other concerts during the semester around the tri-state area. Recent tours have taken them to such diverse locations as Los Angeles, Berlin, Prague, Washington D.C., and Florida. This winter they toured Georgia and the Carolinas, and during the summer they will be taking their first trip as a group to Israel!

Magevet’s repertoire includes Hebrew, Jewish and Israeli music from diverse time periods and communities, such as Renaissance-era Italy, 19th century India, 20th century Africa, and contemporary Israel. They sing mostly in Hebrew, but also in Yiddish, Ladino, German, and even Luganda (the language spoken by the Jewish Abuyada tribe in Uganda). Most of their selections have been arranged by past and current members of the group, but they also sing several traditional arrangements from composers like Salamone Rossi (one of their favorite composers), Benedetto Marcello, and even Franz Schubert’s arrangement of Tov L’Hodot. You can find more information on their website, www.magevet.com.

It promises to be a beautiful service filled with harmony, joy and ruach (spirit)! I hope to see you there. Please bring your children, too!

Lorna Wallach



CBI Youth Groups Membership Information

Chaverim

for 4th – 5th Graders

Kadima

for 6th – 8th Graders

Millburn USY

for 9th – 12th Graders

If you need details about an upcoming event or have any questions or comments, please contact one of the following:

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Don't miss the exciting April events!

Welcome New Members

Ari and Lauren Kaplan, their children Emory & Hannah

Allan and Nancy Sloan

President's Message

By Jonathan Engel, CBI President

After the Hebrew Bible and monotheism, Pesach is the Jews' great gift to the world. This odd festival, which juxtaposes rebirth, freedom, and peoplehood, continues to defy easy explanation and spurs us annually to rethink our origins.

The rebirth part is easy. The rhythms of spring remind us each year that God renews life both literally (all of those crocuses, daffodils, chicks, and ducklings) and figuratively (another opening day at Yankee Stadium, another school year almost done.) Christians made the rebirth component of Pesach their central theological event; their lord was literally reborn on Pesach after dying on the cross, and evermore their faith has stressed being "born again" as precursor to grace. Non-Christian faiths focus on the sexual as well during this time; Maypole dances and Chinese pomegranate hangings are fairly transparent references to the procreative urge. Western literature, too, uses spring frequently as metaphor for the new. Eliot's *The Wasteland* builds on the contrasts between springtime renewal and a drugged winter stupor:

*April is the cruellest month,
Breeding lilacs out of the dead land, mixing
Memory and desire, stirring
Dull roots with spring rain.*

The conflation of freedom with spring, however, is uniquely Jewish, and suggests that Jews cannot tolerate life without it. No other faith places this unusual emphasis on freedom as precursor to a fulfilled life, despite the fact that many cultures have experienced slavery over the course of their history. Our scripture privileges Pesach repeatedly. Parshat *Ki Tissa* (read right after Purim) reminds us to observe the feast of unleavened bread, yet relegates Succoth and Shavuot to lesser status (Exodus 34:18), while Devarim creates the association between Shabbat observance (the central Jewish act) and freedom from bondage:

Remember that you were slaves in Egypt and that

*the Adonai brought
you out with a strong
hand and powerful arm.
That is why Adonai has
commanded you to observe
Shabbat and keep it holy.
(Deuteronomy 5:15)*



Virtually all of our sacred texts and major commentaries harp on freedom as the central tenet of Jewish existence.

Pirkei Avot discusses the "guarantee of freedom" which presages fulfilling mitzvot. Maimonides enjoins Israel in his *Mishnah Torah* to "be free, to devote itself to the Torah and its Wisdom," while the Rashbam emphasizes the "obligation toward freedom" fulfilled in drinking the four cups in the Seder (*Psachim*: 20). Everywhere we look in Jewish dialogue we find references to freedom underlying the halachic debate.

How do we reconcile the centrality of freedom to a faith which is so rule-bound? Freedom at its most basic would seem to be the casting off of rules: living life in a sort of spiritual anarchy. The wisdom of Judaism speaks to the contrary, however. Our rabbis understood that the true gift of our release from bondage was the opportunity to take on the mantle of mitzvot. To be free is not to escape rules, but rather to freely embrace them. Thus our need for learning, exegesis, and interpretation: a people which celebrates its being by embracing a codex must make understanding its laws a lifetime task.

Freedom is hard, and many cannot tolerate its burden. Populations in the old Soviet Block cast off Communist dictators, only to bring in new autocrats a few years later. Newly liberated Iraqis seem unwilling to embrace a democratic nation-state, and cleave instead to tribe and sect. The Taliban gains followers in Afghanistan among the same people who celebrated their defeat a decade ago, while countries which experienced Arab Spring uprisings rush to



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Schedule of Pesach 2012 - 5772 Services

Erev Pesach	Friday	April 6th	7:00 am 1:00 pm	<i>Siyyum B'chor</i> <i>Mincha</i>
1st Day Pesach (2nd Pesach Seder – Evening)	Shabbat	April 7th 12:30 pm	9:00 am Mincha	<i>Shacharit</i> <i>Mincha</i>
2nd Day Pesach	Sunday	April 8th	9:00 am 8:00 pm	<i>Shacharit</i> <i>Mincha / Ma'ariv</i>
Hol Hamoed Pesach	Monday	April 9th	7:00 am 8:00 pm	<i>Shacharit</i> <i>Ma'ariv</i>
Hol Hamoed Pesach	Tuesday	April 10th	7:00 am 8:00 pm	<i>Shacharit</i> <i>Mincha</i>
Hol Hamoed Pesach	Wednesday	April 11th	7:00 am 8:00 pm	<i>Shacharit</i> <i>Ma'ariv</i>
Hol Hamoed Pesach	Thursday	April 12th <i>Erev Hag</i>	7:00 am 7:00 pm	<i>Shacharit</i> <i>Ma'ariv</i>
7th Day Pesach	Friday	April 13th	9:00 am 8:00 pm	<i>Shacharit</i> <i>Ma'ariv</i>
8th Day Pesach	Shabbat	April 14th	9:00 am 10:30 am	<i>Shacharit</i> <i>Yizkor</i>

Successful Regional Kadima Shabbaton

Congregation B'nai Israel was delighted to host the **Regional Kadima Eighth Grade Shabbaton** the weekend of March 9-11, 2012. Kadima is the nationwide Conservative Jewish youth group for sixth to eighth graders, the stepping stone to USY.

More than 30 teenagers, including some of our own CBI Kadima members, gathered in Millburn for a weekend of prayer, study and fun. All the Shabbaton participants were part of the Hagalil region, incorporating synagogues located in Northern and Central New Jersey. The Hagalil regional office, led by Dassy Mark, and the Hagalil Regional USY Board, organized the programs and services throughout the weekend.

The weekend kicked off with a Kabbalat Shabbat service led by the 8th grade Shabbaton participants. There was great ruach in the sanctuary as members from all of the CBI youth groups – Chaverim, Kadima and Millburn USY – joined in as part of the annual Spring Youth Group Shabbat & Oneg. Many thanks to the Sisterhood for coordinating the festive Oneg!

Most of all, sincere thanks to congregant families who hosted our out-of-town guests in their homes for the weekend:

Marilyn & Michael Berney
Michelle & Greg Daniel
Roz & Jonathan Engel
Lisa Ryan & Gill Diamond

Lisa & David Ehrlich
Janet & Michael Slifer
Paula & David Touger
Rabbi Helaine Ettinger & Henry Bloom

Lily & Steve Finkler
Robin & Rich Jacobs
Mariela & Ariel Dybner

Thanks as well to **Aly Greenstein, CBI Kadima Advisor, Rabbi, Cantor** and the **Youth Committee** for making this fantastic Shabbaton a reality!

The CBI Youth Groups looks forward to hosting Hagalil regional Kadima and USY events in the future!



Casino Night
at Congregation B'nai Israel

Presented by the HGECC Parents' Association and CBI Men's Club

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SUNDAY APRIL 15, 6 - 10 PM

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Tournament Top Five will receive Visa Giftcards ♠ Table Game prizes will be raffle tickets

Must be 21 or over to participate

**Based on 100 players*

For more information, please contact David Sotnick at sotdot@verizon.net or Robyn Namm at robglatt@yahoo.com



*Please complete the form below and send along with your check made payable to the **CBI Casino Night** and return it to:
Congregation B'nai Israel, 160 Millburn Avenue, Millburn, NJ 07041, Attn: Men's Club*

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Amount Enclosed: _____

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HEDWIG GRUENEWALD EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

By Rochelle Baron, Director

March was a busy time for all of our HGECC friends! Between Purim parties, making 'no-bake' hamantashen, posing for school pictures, and a visit from the Matzah Bakery, there wasn't a quiet moment for any of us. We had a great turn-out at the Passover University program and hope all who participated had a good time as well. The staff had a full day of learning at the annual ECE Conference at Temple Beth Shalom and came away with many ideas to implement in their classrooms.



No sooner did we finish everything "Purim" than we started on everything "Passover." The children are busy learning about Pharoah and Moses, working hard creating an array of holiday art projects and becoming well-versed in the details of the seder. Our school seders will take place on April 3.

On a personal level, Gary and I would like to thank all of you who attended the gala and made gracious tributes in the ad journal in my honor. It was wonderful to be recognized by the amazing CBI community and I certainly appreciate all the good wishes that came along with this great evening.

Happy spring!



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Rochelle Baron



FROM BIRTH TO BRIS
A special SUNDAY Rosh Chodesh program
featuring CBI's own
Lucy E. Waldman



Lucy E. Waldman is a CBI member and the mother of 4 HGECC alumni. She is a certified Mohelet, one of 3 females in NJ qualified to perform a Jewish ritual circumcision (Brit Milah or "Bris").

SAVE THE
DATE!



Sunday, April 15th

9:00 am (right after Hebrew school
drop off) to 10:45 am

\$5 charge includes
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Questions and RSVP please contact
Susan Stern (hazelstorm1016@aol.com)

sponsored by Sisterhood

Lucy will share her
fascinating journey
as we discuss the
origins of Brit Milah
and its impact on us
as women and
mothers.

BLANCHE BAYAR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

By Janice Colmar, CBI Education Director

Why I skyped from Israel

I recently returned from a delightful conference in Israel sponsored by the Jewish Educators Assembly – the professional organization of Conservative Educators. Over the week, we explored new museums and sites for upcoming synagogue trips (our first planning meeting is on **April 19**) and shared programming and curricular ideas. Among the discussions was the role of technology in our schools. At BBRS, we have always led the way with the use of laptops, projectors and even smart phones. What makes us stand out can be summed up by something that took place on a late Tuesday night when I skyped with the students. Calling from Israel is something we feel is very important to creating a link between our students and our homeland. Over the year they have spoken to Laura Slifer, a CBI member who is enjoying a year in Israel and others. Each time they understand that Israel is not so far away and is an enjoyable place that they would truly like to visit.



Introduction to Web Technology for Professional Development in Complementary Schools

Times are changing and how do we change with them? BBRS is in the foreground of change, incorporating technology as an aid to teaching. Recently I completed a course funded by Partnership for Effective Learning and Innovative Education (PELIE) and sponsored and administered through the auspices of United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism that guides participants through a new range of tools.

The class took place over 7 weeks of webinars and assignments and the tools spanned two categories, one a review of lesson planning philosophies and the second, an introduction to the use of technology (Gmail, Moodle, Skype, Facebook, Google Docs) to build learning communities of practice.

The final step will take place over the summer as I work with the staff to develop a Staff Professional Development Plan. Our goal is to provide the staff with the skills necessary to participate in these changing times.

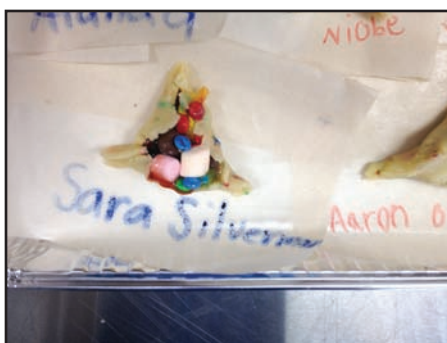
Registration 2012-13

During March the school launched its first On Line Early Bird Registration. Using a Google Form, parents have been able to fill in the blanks and register with a minimum of effort. No more multiple papers to fill out

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Collecting tzedakah—Zach Fox wore the school tzedakah box on Purim—the school collected over \$50. For Connections Israel



Mad Mad Hamantaschen – in celebration of Purim – the BBRS students created their own crazy hamantaschen



Real Ms. Colmar – In Purim Costume, Morah Miriam dressed as Ms Colmar?



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and sign for each child, it's all done and stored on the school Google documents. For those who have not yet re-registered or are new to BBRS - please contact the Education Office to receive the link to our Form.

This year we introduced **Primary Camp**, a program for our kindergarten through 2nd graders based on a day in the life of a summer day camp. Students were welcomed at the front door of CBI by their counselors (teen madrikhim) who enthusiastically greeted them and accompanied them throughout the day. In 2012-13, we are expanding the day; our Campers will meet from 8:45 – 12:00 noon which will give them more time with their teachers and more time to hang out and learn from their counselors.

Also new for the coming year, I am pleased to announce that we now have a BBRS Assistant Director. Beginning in July, Miriam Stobezki who has been our Special Needs Consultant and teacher at BBRS for many years, will take on added responsibilities. She will be working in conjunction with the staff to develop curriculum and programming. Miriam is also receiving her Master's in Education Technology and she will be working on implementing our Staff Professional Development Plan.

CBI goes to Israel

Israel Trip 2013

Join the Rabbi and Janice Colmar for our first planning meeting on Thursday, April 19

7:30 pm

Please RSVP to cbieducator@gmail.com

Or call the Education Office at 973-379-1134

Janice Colmar



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Sisterhood's Message

By Paula Touger, Sisterhood President

Passover is coming. Like the Israelites getting ready to escape the land of Egypt I feel a combination of excitement and terror. A holiday of renewal and continuity, we are commanded to reenact the Passover story as if we ourselves were part of the exodus. So it's fitting that around the time that this Bulletin will arrive in your mailbox most of us will be in a state of pre-Passover hysteria that could easily imitate the feelings of the Israelite slaves fleeing from Pharaoh's soldiers in their chariots (think Cecil B. DeMille's "The Ten Commandments" or Disney's "Prince of Egypt", depending on your age).

At Passover University, the synagogue-wide, intergenerational event last month, Sisterhood shared recipes for this holiday. Some of the recipes came from a Sisterhood cookbook published in 1993 that I found among the boxes that came back from outside storage after the building was finished. I noticed that some of the recipe contributors are no longer members, or have passed away, while many are still going strong as members of our sisterhood and community. It felt good to pass on these recipes that reflect the continuity of our people through this holiday and the continuity of our sisterhood.

As our board begins to plan for next year I



invite all of you to be contributors to the future of Sisterhood. We are always looking for new faces to become involved. Whether your interest is religious, educational, social, culinary, literary or political we have ways to involve you in Sisterhood that can be a larger or smaller time commitment, depending on your schedule. We even have a way to get involved if your passion is shopping!

Please contact me if you'd like to hear more details.

Now back to rituals that inspire excitement and terror...Don't forget to mark your calendar and RSVP for our special Sunday morning Rosh Chodesh women's discussion group on Sunday, April 15 at 9:00 am. Our member Lucy Waldman will discuss the Mitzvah of Brit Milah (or a "bris" as most of us call it) as well as her unique experience as a mohelet (a female "moyl"). For more details please see the accompanying flyer in this Bulletin.

On Wednesday, May 2nd at 7:30 pm our member, Jennifer Glick, will lead a discussion on My Russian Grandmother and Her American Vacuum Cleaner, A family memoir by Meir Shalev.

I hope you will join me at both events.

Wishing you a zissen (sweet) Pesach!

Paula Touger



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B'NEI MITZVAH

David Yaffe April 21

David Yaffe is a seventh grader at Millburn Middle School. He attended B'nai Israel's pre-school and is currently a student at B'nai Israel's Hebrew school. He studies classical piano and has played recitals in Carnegie Hall. He also plays saxophone in the Middle School band. He loves many sports, but his favorite is sailing. He loves racing small boats and has competed in numerous regattas. He has a strong interest in computer programming.

David shares this special day with his parents Edie and Scott, and brother Steven, as well as his grandparents. He thanks his tutor Alan Hershenfeld, Cantor Wallach and Rabbi Bayar for preparing him to become a Bar Mitzvah.



Jeremy Bader April 22



Jeremy Bader is a 7th grader at Millburn Middle School. He plays tennis competitively through Center Court and the USTA and enjoys playing the piano and singing. He loves travelling to Israel to visit his cousins as well.

Jeremy would like to thank everyone at CBI for helping him to reach this milestone, especially all of his teachers of B'nai Israel, his tutor Paula Touger and the Cantor and the Rabbi. He would also like to thank his parents, Cheryl and Bill Bader, his sister Alison, his grandparents Miriam Bader (Great Neck) and Carole and Nat Zapolsky (Westfield) for all of their support.

Abigail and Emily Alpert April 28



Abigail and Emily Alpert are seventh graders at Millburn Middle School. They are active soccer players for the Union U13 travel team. Abigail enjoys playing the piano, and Emily plays violin. For their Bat Mitzvah project, Abigail and Emily participated in Friendship Circle's Mitzvah Program where they have learned the art of giving, volunteering and helping children with disabilities. Abigail and Emily spent the first six years of their lives in Lima, Peru, where they attended the Leon Pinelo Hebrew Academy. Later they moved to California, where they continued their Jewish education at Pasadena Jewish Temple and Center. They joined CBI three years ago, where they attend BBRS. Abigail

and Emily would like to thank their tutor, Alan Hershenfeld, Cantor Wallach, and Rabbi Bayar for helping them to become B'not Mitzvah. They would also like to thank their parents, Monica and Joel for their support.



MA NISHTANA

By Henry Bloom,
Men's Club President

Amongst the most memorable passages from the Passover Haggadah is the phrase "Why is this night different from all other nights?" This is the question that invites us to retell the story of our path from slavery under Pharaoh in Egypt to freedom and reminds us of our responsibility to teach our children. Nearly seventy years ago, the Jewish people suffered at the hands of another Pharaoh. Instead of enslavement, the new Pharaoh focused on annihilation. Half of the earth's Jewish population perished. God's light unto the other nations, God's chosen, flickered, but did not die. A new, modern Exodus arose from the depths of despair and tragedy. From the ashes of Europe and the Displaced Persons ("DP") Camps, survivors of the Holocaust, or *Shoah*, slowly made their way towards new lives in a new diaspora. Emigrants dispersed around the world, to the new State of Israel and to the western hemisphere. There, they began to rebuild shattered lives. In the late 1970s and early 1980s, some of these survivors asked another question. How could *Yahrzeits* be observed for those victims whose entire families had been wiped out? An idea was born, a special memorial candle.



The Yellow Candle™ was created in 1981 by the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs to keep alive the memory of the Six Million who perished in the *Shoah*. The Candle is modeled after a traditional Jewish memorial *Yahrzeit* candle that burns for 24 hours during periods of mourning and on the *Yahrzeit* anniversary of a family member. The candle's yellow wax serves to remind us of the yellow arm band which Jews were forced to wear during the Nazi regime. A photo on the candle container shows young people visiting Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp. This reflects the importance of teaching our youth the lessons of the Holocaust and of remembering the Six Million. In addition, the program logo is a yellow Magen David (Star of David) outlined with barbed wire, with the word "Jude" in the middle. This preserves the memory of the armband or cloth patch that Jews were forced to wear in the ghettos of Eastern Europe.

And so we can ask, MA NISHTANA HA'OR HAZEH? Why is this light different from all other lights? The answer is that **each person should be obligated to light one candle for one victim of the Shoah**. On this basis, the Shoah Yellow Candle™ program exists, a truly unique home-based Holocaust remembrance ritual that enables each family in the community to participate in this mitzvah of remembrance.*

Once again this year the CBI Men's Club is sponsoring the *Yom HaShoah* Yellow Candle program by mailing a Yellow Candle to each family in the CBI community. Please consider making a donation by sending in a check with the tear-off sheet that is packed in the box with your candle. This year we will again distribute the proceeds of the program to the Blue Card Fund, which addresses the needs of indigent holocaust survivors (see www.bluecardfund.org), and to our Religious School's Holocaust programming.

Yom Hashoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day falls on April 19th. The Yellow Candle should be lit *Erev Yom HaShoah*, on the evening of Wednesday, April 18th.

* Adapted from the FJMC website

Henry Bloom



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There is still time to order your Passover wine through Men's Club, but you need to act very quickly. We're offering a wide variety of **Passover wines** for sale, conveniently delivered to your home. Instructions are provided with the flyer in this bulletin. For information, please contact **David Ehrlich: dave.ehrlich@eds.com**

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Don't miss the start of the **softball season**; all are welcome. **Opening day is Sunday April 15**. For more information, please contact **David Touger at dtouger@aol.com**

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Mark your calendars and sign up for **Casino Night at CBI on Sunday April 15**. This event is being co-sponsored by the HGECC Parents' Association and Men's Club. For more information, see flyer in this bulletin or contact **David Sotnick at sotdot@verizon.net** or **Robyn Namm at robglatt@yahoo.com**

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Enjoy your Shabbat and Holiday Meals with **Men's Club Delicious Challahs**. For more information, **contact the office or Howard Greenwald at (973) 763-0414**.

Hearts and Hands

By Tracy Ferdinand and Beth Von Bevern

Thanks to all who donated to our Passover food drive. Because of your generosity we were able to donate KFP food to the Oheb Shalom Kosher Food Pantry in time for the holiday. For more information or to volunteer at the food pantry in the future contact Tracy at teferd@aol.com.

Thanks also to those who donated costumes to our Purim costume collection. The costumes will be donated to Caridad Center in Boynton Beach, Florida, that provides free medical and dental care to uninsured, working poor families in Palm Beach County, Florida.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR USED STORAGE TRUNKS

– If you have an old steamer trunk or used camp storage trunk that you are willing to part with, Hearts and Hands will be happy to take it off your hands. We are looking for something in good condition to use for our many collections. The green Rubbermaid bins we have been using really clash with our brand new lobby. Contact Tracy at teferd@aol.com or Beth at b.vonbevern@verizon.net.

APRIL EVENTS

Oheb Shalom Kosher Food Pantry – April 18th & 22nd. Volunteers are needed. The Bobrow Food Pantry serves the elderly and poor living in the South Orange Community. Groceries that have been collected and purchased are divided into bags on various Wednesdays throughout the year and distributed on Sundays. We need your help this month. Bagging is on Wednesday, April 18th, from 7-8:30 pm and distribution is on Sunday, April 22nd, from 9-11 am. The address is 170 Scotland Road, South Orange. ***You don't need to volunteer for both days.*** For safety reasons, the pantry asks that children be over 9 years old and accompanied by an adult. RSVP to Tracy Ferdinand at teferd@aol.com by Friday, April 13th.

LOOKING AHEAD

CBI Programming Presents:

‘got mitzvah?’ – May 6, 2012

a day of learning and service

8:45am – 3pm

A day filled with mitzvah opportunities and the chance to learn about the wonderful organizations that CBI supports. There will be something for everyone at this wonderful event. More information will follow shortly. Questions? Want to volunteer? Contact the ‘got mitzvah?’ committee chairs, Lori Katzman, lakatzman@mac.com or Marilyn Atlas-Berney, marilynatasberney@verizon.net.

Beth Von Bevern & Tracy Ferdinand
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President's Message

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theocratic rule barely a year after taking to the streets. Many people, it seems, find freedom too onerous to embrace.

It is not easy for Jews either. Throughout our history we have flip-flopped between a rush to secularism (in 15th century Spain, 19th century Germany, and 20th century America) and a reversion to fundamentalism (in 17th century Poland, 18th century Lithuania and, dare I say it, 21st century Israel). We either find our mitzvot too weighty to take on, or too complex to engage in thoughtfully. At either extreme we fall short of Maimonides's rejoinder to be free so as to devote ourselves to Torah. Yet, the Pesach Seder remains the most widely practiced ritual among present-day Jews. For all of its burdens, freedom remains our ultimate calling, even when we fall short of its ideal.

Jonathan Engel

THE EXECUTIVE SUITE

By Jane Young, Executive Director

When was the last time you came to CBI? Did you come for the gala? Have you been learning about Passover in the weekly JTS class, attending Shabbat celebrations at the HGECC on Friday morning or Shabbat a.m. services in the sanctuary or with the Shabbat Journeymen's minyan or a Yaldenu service? Were you here with the Men's Club preparing to mail out the yellow Yom HaShoah candles? Were you bringing your teen to the Kadima Shabbaton or to a Chaverim or USY event or were you at a Youth Committee meeting? Did you participate in a BBRS Parent's Association (PA) meeting or an HGECC PA meeting or maybe a meeting of CBI's Board of Trustees, or Religious Affairs? Or maybe you stopped in to drop off a used Purim costume or some non-perishable food to donate for the Passover food drive sponsored by Hearts and Hands? Was it for lunch and a movie with the Adult Forum, learning about Jewish Wisdom with Rabbi Bayar, or to learn Hebrew with Cantor Wallach? Were you at CBI for a Sisterhood "Essential Conversation" or helping to prepare a Sisterhood Kiddush; davening at a morning or evening minyan, or participating in a family education event at the BBRS? Did you come to view a "Step Up for Israel" film sponsored by Israel Affairs? Were you ushering for a B'nai Mitzvah or celebrating a friend's simcha?

From early a.m. through the evening, CBI is abuzz with worship, learning, planning, eating, socializing, and helping others – events for tots, nonagenarians and all ages in between! I am so glad that you all are truly utilizing and enjoying the new building so thoroughly!

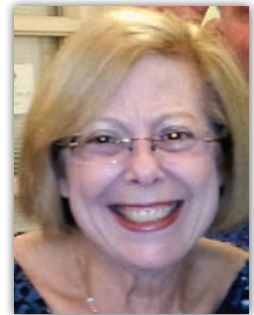
Many new volunteers have jumped in wholeheartedly in the past year! Many thanks to you and to those who are CBI's perennial volunteers. Much of what goes on would not take place if not for all of your dedication and hard work.

CBI wants and needs YOU! Do you have a special talent? Do you have an area of expertise or a favorite hobby that you might be willing to share with the congregation that is so near and dear to your heart? Is there a committee that you would like to get involved with, but you need a little push to do it? If you said "yes" to

the last question, please consider this to be your very own engraved invitation to test the waters! You don't have to become the chair of a committee – you don't even have to go to lots of meetings. What would you enjoy doing that ties in with one of our auxiliary groups, committees or programs – maybe something you have participated in and enjoyed? Please volunteer! If you want someone to discuss this with, please call Jonathan or call me! At CBI, when you contribute your time and talent, the reward of satisfaction that you feel and the friendships you will make will be more than worth the effort!!!

Wishing you a *zissen* (sweet) Passover!

Jane



Happy Passover



To contact Jane Young, email her at cbidirector@cbi-nj.org

Nettie & Myron Feldman

One of the beautiful elements of being so involved at Congregation B'nai Israel is the chance to get to meet so many wonderful people. Recently, wearing my hat as Capital Campaign Donor Recognition co-Chair, I received a poignant phone call. Nettie and Myron Feldman wanted to let me know they would be dedicating their campaign donation in memory of the children of the Holocaust.

The Feldmans invited me over to share what has become a special ritual for them in ushering in Shabbat. Nettie recalled that when the 21st century approached, her children were out of the house, Shabbat dinners



were more sporadic and yet there was still the desire to mark the Sabbath. They received a set of Shabbat candlesticks as a gift, and Nettie noted that ironically, they were manufactured in Germany. She

began to think about all the people, children in particular, who had perished during the Holocaust. Nettie and Myron decided to institute their own special ritual every Friday evening: along with the traditional blessings, they put out a plate with a small piece of bread and a cup of water alongside to symbolize that this little bit may have saved a life for one more day. They added a blessing in remembrance of the children of the Holocaust. Each Friday evening since then, Nettie and Myron have continued this tradition and are eager to communicate to others the importance of remembering the children who were victims of the Holocaust.

Thank you, Nettie and Myron, for not only sharing in our building project efforts, but in sharing your special tradition.

Linda Sotnick
First Vice President



How Can I Contribute to Torah Fund?

Order Torah Fund Cards ~ \$4 per card or 6 for \$20

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**Make checks payable to:
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TRIP TO WHEATON GLASS MUSEUM AND VILLAGE

THURSDAY, APRIL 26 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.



Docent tour of the Museum of American Glass, a national cultural treasure ,located on 65 wooded acres in Millville, New Jersey. This is the only museum in the country dedicated exclusively to American Glass. **WheatonArts** boasts everything from artisan studios in pottery and lamp making to several unusual museum stores

In addition to **daily glass blowing** and **artist demonstrations**, WheatonArts features special **exhibitions, programs, workshops**. Please note this is a 2 1/2 hour bus ride.

Cost: Adult Forum Members \$65, Community participants \$75-includes lunch

Make your check out to JCC of Central New Jersey

Mail to: JCC of Central New Jersey, Attn: Barbara Weisbart, 1391 Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076

TRIP Check preferred location for **Pick up Millburn**_____ **or Scotch Plains**_____

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ADULT FORUM

April – May 2012

There are several very important takeaway points that were made by Millburn Police Department's Detective Ed de la Fuente at his talk on schemes, scams and fraud that I would like to share with you. Do not fall prey to the "diversion scam" when someone lures you out of your home to look at an alleged faulty roof, chimney or driveway that may need repair. While you are outside, a confederate of theirs is entering your house! Never give any personal information to telemarketers or people collecting for charities over the phone. Ask that a request be mailed to you. If you receive an email from someone you know claiming that they have lost their cell phone and passport and need you to wire them funds-don't; this is a scam.



Be aware that internet banking carries a greater risk of being taken advantage of. To remove yourself from the "junk" phone calls you receive, here is a Do Not Call number: 888-382-1222. Make and keep in a safe place a copy of your license, social security card and every credit card you carry (front and back). If you own a GPS, global positioning satellite device, do not enter your home address under "home." Use the address of some public place a few blocks away.

On to upcoming events. We will hear the high energy repertoire performance of musician Matthew Fishteyn on **April 17**. The program is entitled *Musical Journey* because it will provide more ways of listening, relating and understanding music. Join us and hear Matthew to witness a composer at work. His performance integrates nearly all genres of music, artfully played with his own touch. Please join us for what promises to be an afternoon of innovations.

In conjunction with the JCC of Central New Jersey we will be taking a docent tour of WheatonArts/Museum of American Glass on **April 26**. Your experience will begin with a dazzling panorama of 6,500 objects on display in sunlit galleries. The comprehensive collection ranges from Early American bottles and flasks, mason jars and paperweights to outstanding works from today's exciting contemporary glass artists. This is the only museum in the country dedicated exclusively to American glass. In addition the center boasts everything from artisan's studios, including pottery and lamp making to several very unusual museum stores.

The coach bus ride will take approximately 2 ½ hours. This don't-miss trip is open to all and the cost, which includes lunch, is **\$65 to ALL B'nai Israel members**, and \$75 for community participants. Please see separate form on previous page to register.

Join us on **May 1** to screen the Academy Winning delightful film *Hugo*. *Hugo* is an extravagant, elegant fantasy from Martin Scorsese, and one that emanates an unabashed love for the magic of cinema. **May 15** will bring us Hirschhorn speaker Susan Teltser-Schwartz's program *Old Wives Tales: Fact or Fiction? Differences between, Tradition, Superstition, and Old Wives Tales*. This promises to be a fascinating program and we are looking forward to seeing you there.

*Please note that Bubbe's, the caterer from whom we get our kosher lunches, has informed us that they will not accept any changes after 5:00 p.m. on the day preceding the program, so please get your final order in before that.

Wishing you a Zissen Pesach,

Shalom,
Lois Dyer

ADULT FORUM Events RSVP April – May 2012

**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER,
CALL THE TEMPLE 973-397-3811**

Cost: Adult Forum members \$8 per event, community participants \$10 per event. Events begin with lunch at noon. Make checks out to B'nai Israel and mail to: Adult Forum, C/O Lois Dyer, 9 Hearthstone Terrace, Livingston, NJ 07039.



Name: _____

Phone: _____

Amount enclosed: _____

I will attend the following events:

☐ **April 17 - Matthew Fishteyn's *Musical Journey***
RSVP to Lois 973-533-1809 by April 13.

☐ Turkey ☐ Corned Beef ☐ Pastrami
☐ Roast Beef ☐ Tuna ☐ Egg Salad

☐ **April 26 - TRIP – WheatonArts.Museum of American Glass in Millville, NJ**
SEE SEPARATE FORM TO REGISTER.

☐ **May 1 - screen film, *Hugo***
RSVP to Lois 973-533-1809 by April 27.

☐ Turkey ☐ Corned Beef ☐ Pastrami
☐ Roast Beef ☐ Tuna ☐ Egg Salad

☐ **May 15 - Susan Teltser-Schwartz - *Old Wives Tales*. RSVP to Lois 973-533-1809 by May 11.**

☐ Turkey ☐ Corned Beef ☐ Pastrami
☐ Roast Beef ☐ Tuna ☐ Egg Salad



To contact Lois Dyer, email her at penzoe1@comcast.net

ISRAEL AFFAIRS

By Joe Tenenbaum



AIPAC Policy Conference 2012 and 2013

The 2012 AIPAC Policy Conference is now history. Not history just in the sense that it is completed, but history in the sense that it has impacted the history of the relationship between the United States and Israel. Those of you who attended (over 40

of our friends and neighbors) were a part of that history, and all of us have an opportunity to be a part of history next year.

I propose that you cannot imagine being in a room (a very long room) with 13,000 people who share your values and your love for Israel and a belief in a strong US Israel relationship. While the conference set-up assures that everyone can always hear and see the speakers on the six huge video screens, I enjoyed from time to time standing up and looking way over to where the speaker was to remind myself how large our group of pro-Israel activists was. It was vast.

The theme of the conference was Shared Values / Shared Vision highlighting the ways in which Israel and the United States share compatible ways of looking at the world. Throughout the conference, AIPAC presented short videos (under 3 minutes) based on interviews of individuals who experienced Israeli and American values. These videos are all available and I think you would appreciate viewing some of them. Among the well known individuals featured were Daniel Gordis, Tzipi Livni, Natan Sharansky, Joe Lieberman, Allan Houston and Gene Simmons. Other individuals with compelling stories included Fenta Demoze (Israeli immigrant from Ethiopia), Alice Shalvi (Israeli social activist), Don Plusquellic (Mayor of Akron, Ohio) and Shaike Bareket (Israeli military leader), Wendy Hoffman (mother of American soldier), and Greg White (Sheriff Cole County, Mo). These videos can be found at <http://www.aipac.org/get-involved/attend-policy-conference/follow-pc/>

[america-and-israel-stories](#)

There were even greater highlights in person. One was the Sunday morning appearances of Israeli President Shimon Peres and President of the United States Barack Obama. President Peres was introduced with a video praising his long career. You must watch this video – following the introduction Peres appears on the stage (first shaking hands with CBI congregant and AIPAC board member, Phil Darivoff) and then greeting one by one children dressed in white, singing Yerushalayim shel Zahav (Jerusalem of Gold). <http://www.aipac.org/get-involved/attend-policy-conference/follow-pc/sunday-morning-plenary/israeli-president-shimon-peres>)

There are many more highlights. At the evening gala on Monday night, (before the speeches), there was an inspirational presentation of The Star Spangled Banner and Hatikvah. The Star Spangled Banner was sung by the Maccabeats, the Acapella group from Yeshiva University. Hatikva was sung beautifully by ----- of the Idan Raichel project. <http://www.aipac.org/get-involved/attend-policy-conference/follow-pc/monday-gala-plenary/national-anthem-and-hatikva>

AIPAC's primary purpose is to provide strong bi-partisan political support for the US Israel relationship. This year there were three points highlighted in the AIPAC lobbying sessions:

- Support for the US Foreign Aid bill, and \$3.1 billion in military aid to Israel
- Tougher sanctions against Iran including a US policy statement that Iran must not gain a nuclear weapon
- Enhance cooperation between Israel and the US in missile defense, homeland security and sharing of intelligence

There is so much more to say, and so many wonderful events to describe that I expect to share more with you in the coming months. I also hope to be able to share observations from other members of the CBI AIPAC delegation.

To summarize briefly, attending the AIPAC Policy Conference is a major investment in time and resources – but the value to Israel and the United States, and the value to you is even greater.

Plan to attend Policy Conference 2013 March



To contact Joe Tenenbaum, email him at TenenbaumJ@AOL.com

3-5, 2013. (weblink)

If you have questions, please contact me
TenenbaumJ@aol.com for more information.

Salute to Israel Parade June 3, 2012

If you would like to help send a great delegation to the Salute to Israel Parade on June 3, please contact me or Michael Jurist.

Upcoming Events

CBI Showing – A Hero in Heaven	4/22/12
Community Yom Hazikaron Commemoration	4/24/12
David Broza Yom Haatzmaut Concert	4/26/12
Sisterhood Book Discussion	5/2/12
Salute to Israel Parade	6/3/12

Missing Soldiers

We must continue to pray for the remaining soldiers to return home:

Majdy Halabi Guy Hever Ron Arad Zachary Baumel Avi Feldman Yehuda Katz

Joe Tenenbaum

*Anyone interested in
joining me in a
2012 Sar El - Israel trip?
You will spend five days
volunteering on a
military base...
then tour the country.
If you want to meet,
please email
Art Fredman
judyart18@aol.com.*



Events

CHAVERIM

The CBI Youth Group for
4th and 5th Graders

6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

CBI Multi-Purpose Room

Weekday Events Include Dinner

Tuesday, April 17

Tie-Dye Party

Saturday, May 5

Havdallah Hooplah

KADIMA

The CBI Youth Group for
6th, 7th and 8th Graders

6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

CBI Multi-Purpose Room

Weekday Events Include Dinner

Wednesday, April 18

Israel Night

MILLBURN USY

The CBI Youth Group for
9th – 12th Graders

7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Youth Lounge (unless otherwise
noted)

Wednesday, April 18

Luau at the USY Board Elections
8th Graders Invited

Thursday, May 3

USY Induction Ceremony & Dessert
Parents and Family Invited

Millburn USY Board Elections

It has been an incredible year for Millburn USY. Our membership numbers are up, as is our attendance at each event. Our chapter is more regionally involved, and the Board has created and run brand-new events to spice up the calendar. There is no doubt that this momentum will continue through next year, and into the future! This would not have been possible if not for the efforts of the current Millburn USY Board. As our USY year is in its final months, it is time to start looking ahead to next year!

Each board member has unique responsibilities according to his or her position. Our **President** oversees all the other board members and ensures that every event runs smoothly and that the chapter is the best it can be. **Israel Awareness VP** provides an “Israel Update” at every meeting and incorporates Israel into chapter events. **SA/TO VP** (Social Action/Tikun Olam – USY’s tzedakah fund) helps raise money for SA/TO and organizes community service programs. **Membership/Kadima VP** recruits and welcomes new members and works with the Kadima kids to encourage them to join USY in the future. **Rel/Ed VP** (Religious Education) brings Judaism and education to Millburn USY events. **Communications VP** updates our website, makes fliers, and creates Facebook events to keep members informed. **Freshman Representative** enlists freshman and engages them in our chapter. Incredible advisors Marla Parnes and Aly Greenstein guide the board.

The 2011-2012 USY Board Members compiled a list of the top seven reasons to serve on Millburn USY Board – one for each position!

1. Develop and plan new events!
2. Participate in board meetings and create close friendships with other board members.
3. Gain invaluable leadership experience.
4. Eat Twizzlers one more night a month!
5. Looks impressive on a resume.
6. Attend a regional convention only open to chapter board and RGB (Regional General Board) members.
7. Increased chances to be chosen for an RGB (Regional General Board) position or other regional leadership positions.

Board Elections will be held on **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2012**. See our website <http://usymillburn.yolasite.com/> or contact USY Advisor Marla Parnes (mparnes1@verizon.net) or current USY President Aliza Caplan (alizajc@comcast.net) for an application.

COMMUNITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Sunday, April 1

- 9:15 am - Men's Club Katz & Keselman Annual Breakfast

Monday, April 2

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class
- 4:00 pm - Zayin Seder
- 7:15 pm - Adult Education – Learning to Read Talmud
- 7:30 pm - Sisterhood Board Meeting
- 7:30 pm - Building Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 3

- 4:00 pm - BBRS Model Seder
- 8:00 pm - Executive Committee Meeting
- 7:15 pm - Adult Education - Learning to Read Talmud
- 7:30 pm - Sisterhood Board Meeting

Thursday, April 5

- 8:00 pm - Adult Education – Jewish Wisdom

Friday, April 6 - Erev Pesach

- 7:00 am - Siyyum B'chor
- 1:00 pm - Mincha

Saturday, April 7 - 1st Day Pesach

- HGECC CLOSED
- 9:00 am - Shacharit

Sunday, April 8 - 2nd Day Pesach

- 9:00 am - Shacharit
- 8:00 pm - Mincha/Ma'ariv

Monday, April 9

- 7:00 am - Shacharit
- 12:00 pm - HGECC Closed
- 7:30 pm - Youth Committee Meeting
- 8:00 pm - Men's Club Meeting
- 8:00 pm - Ma'ariv

Tuesday, April 10

- 7:00 am - Shacharit
- 12:00 pm - HGECC Closed
- 8:00 pm - Mincha
- 8:00 pm - Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, April 11

- 7:00 am - Shacharit
- 12:00 pm - HGECC Closed
- 8:00 pm - Ma'ariv

Thursday, April 12

- 7:00 am - Shacharit
- 12:00 pm - HGECC Closed
- 7:00 pm - Ma'ariv
- 8:00 pm - Adult Education – Jewish Wisdom

Friday, April 13 - 7th Day Pesach

- HGECC & OFFICE CLOSED
- 9:00 am - Shacharit
- 8:00 pm - Ma'ariv

Saturday, April 14 - 8th Day Pesach

- HGECC & OFFICE CLOSED
- 7:00 am - Shacharit
- 10:30 am - Yizkor
- 11:15 am - Yaldeinu

Sunday, April 15

- 9:30 am - Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh "From Birth to Bris"
- 6:00 pm - HGECC PA & Men's Club Casino Night

Tuesday, April 17

- 12:00 pm - Adult Forum – Matthew Fishteyn's Musical Journey
- 4:00 pm - BBRS Yom HaShoah Program
- 6:00 pm - Chaverim – Amazing Room
- 8:00 pm - BBRS Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 18

- 6:00 pm - Kadima – Israel Night
- 8:00 pm - HGECC Board Meeting

Thursday, April 19

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class
- 8:00 pm - Adult Education – Jewish Wisdom

Friday, April 20

- 8:00 pm - Musical Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, April 21

- DAVID YAFFE BAR MITZVAH
- 10:30 am - Shabbat Journeyers' Minyan

Sunday, April 22

- 9:00 am - JEREMY BADER BAR MITZVAH
- 4:00 pm - Film: "A Hero In Heaven"

Monday, April 23

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class

Thursday, April 26

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class

Friday, April 27

- 6:00 pm - Early Evening Service

Saturday, April 28

- 9:00 am - Abigail & Emily Alpert B'nei Mitzvah

Sunday, April 29

- 9:15 am - Adult Education – "How to give a D'var Torah"
- 6:30 pm - JACS

Monday, April 30

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class

Tuesday, May 1

- 12:00 pm - Adult Forum
- 8:00 pm - Executive Committee Meeting

Wednesday, May 2

- 7:00 pm - Sisterhood Book Review

Thursday, May 3

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class
- 7:00 pm - Adult Education – "How to give a D'var Torah"

Friday, May 4

- 5:30 pm - HGECC Musical Shabbat Early Service & Dinner

DONATIONS

The following tributes have been sent over the past several months. If you wish to send a tribute, please call Lisa at 973-379-3811 or email her at lisar@cbi-nj.org.

Synagogue Fund

To Fran Melton Levine ~ In memory of your father, Herbert Melton.

❖ Barbara & Robert Fulop

To Jackie Printz ~ In memory of your father, Nat Printz.

❖ Meryl & Michael Skinder

To Mark Goldenthal ~ In memory of your father, Edgar Joseph Goldenthal.

❖ Nancy & Michael Weinstein

To Richard Hofflich ~ In memory of your mother, Etta Hofflich.

❖ Nancy & Michael Weinstein

To Helaine Ettinger ~ In memory of your father, Howard Ettinger.

❖ Nancy & Michael Weinstein

To Lisa Ehrlich ~ In memory of your father, Abraham Klein.

❖ Nancy & Michael Weinstein

To Amy Dantus ~ In memory of your mother, Thelma Stern.

❖ Nancy & Michael Weinstein

❖ Barbara & Robert Fulop

❖ Miriam & Phillip Levine

To Barbara and Steven Brown ~ In honor of the marriage of your daughter, Meredith, to David Mazza.

❖ Deena Bernhaut

To Carol and Bob Marcus ~ Mazel Tov on your well deserved honor at the 2012 Gala.

❖ Sheila Marx

❖ Kimelman Family

To Nancy and Michael Weinstein ~ Mazel Tov on your well deserved honor at the 2012 Gala.

❖ Kimelman Family

In honor of his parents, Rabbi Irving Feldman and Bernice Pohl Feldman

❖ Gabe Feldman

Rabbi's Fund

To Rabbi Bayar ~ In honor of your daughter, Meira, becoming engaged to Aaron Ellias.

❖ Nancy and Michael Weinstein

❖ Ronni Armuth

To Rabbi Bayar and Leora Wiener ~ In honor of your engagement.

❖ Nancy & Michael Weinstein

❖ Ronnie Armuth

❖ Abbe Esocoff Zimmerman

❖ Nellie Goldman Katz

To Amy Dantus ~ In memory of your mother, Thelma Stern.

❖ Elynn & Charles Zucker

To Helaine Ettinger ~ In memory of your father, Howard Ettinger.

❖ Leora Wiener

To Fran Melton Levine ~ In memory of your father, Herbert Melton.

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To Mark Goldenthal ~ In memory of your father, Edgar Joseph Goldenthal.

❖ Leora Wiener

To Shirley Ehrich ~ In honor of your milestone birthday.

❖ Naomi Given

To Richard Meth ~ In memory of your father, Walter Meth.

❖ Gayle & Steve Chizzik

❖ Andrea & David Hirschfeld

To Susan Siverman ~ In memory of your father, Herbert Bachman.

❖ Frieda, Linda & Bill Glasofer

To Frieda Ostrowsky ~ Thank you and congratulations on your granddaughter's engagement.

❖ Ronnie Armuth

To the Gerson Goldman Family ~ In memory of Gerry Goldman.

❖ Abbe & Jeri Esocoff Zimmerman

Cantor's Music Fund

To Rosenberg Family ~ In honor of Will becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

❖ Mindy & Aaron Tucker

To Nancy and Michael Weinstein ~ Mazel Tov on your well deserved honor at the 2012 Gala.

❖ Sheila Marx

Max Alper Prayer Book Fund

To Irving Alper ~ In honor of your 90th birthday!

❖ Shirley Alper

Phyllis S. Magid Adult Forum Fund

To Irving Alper ~ In honor of your 90th birthday!

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CBI Spring Gala— The Roof Has Been Raised!

Close to 300 members and guests were rendered speechless when they walked into Club CBI on Saturday, March 17th! Our very cozy and familiar surroundings had been magically transformed into a beautiful and elegant nightclub. The candle-lit room dazzled all who entered with its beautiful flowing curtains and ample food and drink stations.

The beautiful space was surpassed only by the honorees and the people that introduced them. Our terrific line-up of honorees: Bob and Carol Marcus, Rochelle Baron and Michael and Nancy Weinstein are all such accomplished, successful, and good-hearted people. We sat transfixed as they and the other speakers regaled and entertained us; some of us cried and all of us laughed!

The food was delicious and plentiful. The dancing was lively and kept us energized; and everyone there from age 6 to 91 had a wonderful evening.

Thank you again to our honorees, to those who made introductions and to everyone else who supported the event. A shout-out to Mayor (and congregant) Sandy Haimoff for the meaningful proclamations that you prepared and read for our honorees. It was the gala-planning team's pleasure to work with and get to know all of you better.

If you missed this wonderful evening, please plan on joining the rest of us at the next gala. While the bar for success is high, we know our congregation can continue to rise to the challenge; be sure to come and see for yourself!

Debra Fox



GALA RETROSPECTIVE

True religion is real living; living with all one's soul, with all one's goodness and righteousness. —Albert Einstein

Jews celebrate many holidays and special events. They celebrate the Birkat Hachama every 28 years, during which God created the Sun, Moon, and Stars on the 4th Day of Creation. They celebrate the flowering of the first tiny plants during the Spring season. Shehechyanus serve to strengthen faith, unify our people, and encourage personal reflection. In that tradition, we celebrated the start of a new chapter in the history of Congregation B'nai Israel and, for that, we deliver a great big shehechyanu.

The "Raise the Roof" gala of March 17 was remarkable on many levels, including involvement of at least three generations of members and guests. It was a festive evening for the many members who are the pillars upon which Congregation B'nai Israel has stood for more than seven decades. We were elated to be a very small part of the event, and we admire the committee which produced it. Wow!

We dined and laughed and celebrated with newcomers and oldtimers. Some were the vanguard of Jews in this Township and members when CBI met at various locations until we purchased the land we call our own. Those early pioneers came to Millburn in the '30s, owned stores, spoke Yiddish, and helped their children endure the difficulties of assimilation.

The baton was handed to the generation of the '70s and '80s, who used their youth, genius and Judaism to maintain the synagogue and keep it relevant and functioning. CBI was always a beacon of Jewish life within the Township. We were thrilled to see many of the veterans of those challenging years celebrating our latest new chapter.

Today, incredible religious and lay leaders perpetuate an environment of warmth, synergy, hospitality, and a strong religious, spiritual focus. How fitting that the evening's festivities allowed for the new week to be ushered in with the 'yavneh' of Havdalah – wine, spices, candle, and prayer.

We admire the new generation of CBI members. They are brimming with yiddishkeit, ruach, and a capacity to celebrate life. While the children and grandchildren of the 'older generation' are making Jewish and professional inroads elsewhere in the region, nation, or world, we deem it a great privilege to continue our connection with our second home in wonderful Millburn, New Jersey.

Paraphrasing the memorable sentiment of Nancy Weinstein, "While it is important to celebrate our magnificent new building, let's remember the bedrock of CBI is in its dedicated and loving members."

Now, where do I purchase a purple blazer?

B'shalom and a zissen Pesach,

Judy and Art Fredman

The CBI Youth Lounge is Back!

After a multi-year hiatus, when the Youth Lounge was used as a storage room, clergy offices and temporary kitchen – and seemingly everything in between! – the Chaverim, Kadima and Millburn USY youth groups are thrilled to have their very own “space” back!

If you take a peak in the Youth Lounge, you will notice couches, bean bag chairs, video arcade game, coffee table, large television and DVD player, CD player, etc. The room now truly suits the needs of our growing and energetic youth groupers that range in age from elementary school through high school. In the months and years to come, the CBY youth group members will continue to personalize the space to reflect the spirit of the youth groups.

Many thanks to the Bader, Finkler, McCafferty and Yaris families for donating



items for the new youth group digs! Thanks as well to the Daniel and Good families for storing items over the past several years. Additional thanks to Arnold Kingsberg for lending his truck to transport the heavy items and to Steve Chizzik, David Touger, Adam Katzman, and David Troll for lending their muscles to the moving efforts.

Check out the bulletin board outside the Youth Lounge for information on the Chaverim, Kadima and Millburn USY youth groups, including chapter events, regional events, summer programs and more!

Save the Date! CBI White Elephant Sale July 26th, 27th & 29th

It's getting to be that White-Elephant time-of-year again.

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Congregation B'nai Israel in Millburn, NJ is an egalitarian congregation committed to promoting Jewish life in our community and the principles of Conservative Judaism through practice and observance. We seek to advance our Jewish knowledge and spirituality, celebrating important life cycle and communal events, and making our synagogue life, traditions, and Jewish wisdom accessible to community members and visitors.

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