

# The Bulletin

Congregation B'nai Israel, Millburn, New Jersey  
Congregation B'nai Israel, Elizabeth, NJ - Affiliated 1992

*Please Join Us:*  
*March 17, 2012*  
*7:00 PM*

CBI  
Spring Gala

Raise the Reef

*Honoring:*

*Robert & Carol Marcus*  
*Michael & Nancy Weinstein*  
*Rachelle Baron*

*Saturday, March 17, 2012*

*Congregation B'nai Israel, Millburn, New Jersey*

*7:00pm 'Elegant' Buffet and Cocktails*

*8:30pm Havdalah Service and Program*

*10:00pm Dancing*

*Dress is festive*

*R.S.V.P. to the CBI Office by March 1*

*Featuring the CBI-tini and the Reef Raiser cocktails!*

CELEBRATION

## 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 (3/10 & 3/24)	10:45 a.m.
Yaldeinu (3/17)	11:15 a.m.

## Minyan Rotation

Podhoretz – Renner	Feb. 26 – Mar. 3
Retik – Rush	Mar. 4 – Mar. 10
Sabin – Schneider	Mar. 11 – Mar. 17
Schor – Shapiro	Mar. 18 – Mar. 24
Shaykevich – Solomon	Mar. 25 – Mar. 31
Sorkin – Szerlip	Apr. 1 – Apr. 7

## Candle Lighting

March 2	5:29 pm
March 9	5:37 pm
March 16	6:44 pm
March 23	6:52 pm
March 30	6:59 pm

## Mincha / Havdallah

March 3	5:44 pm / 6:44 pm
March 10	5:52 pm / 6:52 pm
March 17	6:59 pm / 7:59 pm
March 24	7:07 pm / 8:07 pm
March 31	7:14 pm / 8:14 pm

## Community News

### Mazel Tov

Arthur and Sharon Draznin on their 30th wedding anniversary.

Henry Bloom, Ellen Shulman and Hernan Wurgaft on their milestone birthdays.

### Condolences

Amy Dantus on the passing of her beloved mother, Thelma Stern.

Richard Hofflich on the passing of his beloved mother, Etta Hofflich.

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

The family of Gerson "Gerry" Goldman.

### Refuah Shleima

Robert Wallach

## FROM THE RABBI'S DEN

By Rabbi Steven Bayar

The Purim celebration marks this month. While nowadays we consign Purim to the children with costumes, carnivals and merrymaking, Purim has a very serious side - one which if studied can overwhelm us in contradiction and confusion.

Consider the following. Esther, at the beginning of the Megillah, is pliable nad meek. She follows orders and does what she is told. Mordechai tells her not to reveal her ancestry. She obeys. During the beauty contest, before her scheduled appearance before the king, she listens and obeys the servants. By the end of the Megillah she is directing the Jewish community. She commands them to fast along with her. She has come a long way from the meek character in the beauty contest.

Is the book of Esther a proto-feminist tract?

Mordechai and Esther issue a command to the Jewish community to celebrate the festival of Purim as a Mitzvah (commandment). This marks the only time human beings create a Mitzvah in Jewish Tradition. According to the tradition, Mitzvot are given by God alone. Maimonides taught that Mordechai and Esther were prophets. How else could they have commanded the Jews in such a manner?

Does Purim mark the first time individual Jews developed customs and rituals sans God?

The text mentions that when Mordechai and Esther sent letters to all the provinces of Achasvayrosh, they sent the letters to the Jews "according to their writing and language." This is the first indication we have of a distinct Jewish identity and language in the Diaspora.

Is Purim the first holiday that celebrates Jewish peoplehood?

Purim is the only book in the Bible which details a foreign power persecuting the Jews because they are Jews. Is Purim a book that foresees anti semitism in the world?

Purim is not really a child's holiday.

Perhaps that is why we are commanded to dress up, act foolish and drink on a holiday that is full of contradiction and confusion.

Steven Bayar



To contact Rabbi Bayar, email him at [cbirabbi@cbi-nj.org](mailto:cbirabbi@cbi-nj.org)



## MUSICAL NOTES

By Cantor Lorna Wallach

Passover is no mere history lesson ... it requires intense involvement to the point where we re-experience slavery and then savor our new found freedom. The involvement begins long before the first seder arrives. We spend days, sometimes weeks, before the holiday cleaning our homes and preparing our kitchens to be ready for Passover. Our children spend several weeks before Passover studying parts of the Haggadah and learning the Passover story and songs in school.



Associated with the holiday of Passover is a rich and diverse repertoire of music including Biblical songs, special liturgical additions and folksongs of the Haggadah.

The themes of redemption from Egypt, freedom, and renewal of life with the coming of the Spring harvest are reflected in the various Passover songs.

The music of the seder, particularly those found at the end of the Haggadah, are also meant to be teaching tools for children. I will always have fond memories of my own family seders where we would sing every verse to songs such as *Echad Mi Yodea* and *Chad Gadya* no matter how late the hour was!

In preparation for Passover this year, there will be a "Passover University" program offered on **Sunday, March 25th**, where several people, including me, will teach relevant workshops. It is our hope that through studying some of the text of the Haggadah, reviewing and learning new songs for the holiday, and finding ways to make the seder more participatory, we can help to create a more positive seder experience with family and friends.

Lorna Wallach



*January 28th Open House - Cantor Wallach  
and the CBI Band*

## CBI Youth Groups Membership Information

A New Year means a new opportunity to join CBI Youth Groups! We always welcome new members...at any time!!

### 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:

### Aly Greenstein

(Chaverim and Kadima Advisor)  
aly.greenstein@hotmail.com

### Marla Parnes

(Millburn USY Advisor)  
mparnes1@verizon.net

### David Good

(CBI Youth Committee Chairperson)  
dfgood@verizon.net

Don't miss the exciting March events!

## Welcome New Members:

Murray and Marion Mohl of Summit will join their daughter, Anna Mohl Revsine at CBI

Brian and Felicia Egger of Millburn and their sons, Brandon (3) & Daniel (2 mo.)

## President's Message

By Jonathan Engel, CBI President

The obligations for Purim are scant: listening to a public reading of the *Megillah*, having a festive meal (*seudat Purim*), giving to the poor (*matanot la'evyonim*), and giving to your friends (*mishloach manot*). At CBI we have made mishloach manot a communal activity over the past decade by taking orders and delivering congregational baskets for our members. This year, we are hoping to combine mitzvot by adding *tzedakah* to the mix. When you order Purim baskets, you will have the option of making a donation to an Israeli soldier lacking family in Israel. You can send a message to your friends to show you are thinking of them at this festive time, while also helping those in need throughout the world. Really, could anything be sweeter?

The Conservative movement has been a bit late to taking on the mantle of *tikun olam*. While Reform Jews made such outreach a centerpiece of its movement in the immediate post-war years, the Conservative movement focused its *tzedakah* on Jewish communal life through umbrella Jewish federations, synagogue campaigns, Jewish social service organizations, and Israel bonds. In recent years the movement has endorsed giving to Israel-based civil society organizations, but has been reluctant to encourage its adherents to think more broadly about *tzedakah* in the non-Jewish world.

At CBI, through the joint efforts of Rabbi Bayar and our Hearts and Hands Committee, our community has been more aggressive in reaching out to its needy non-Jewish neighbors, exemplified currently in the synagogue's annual service trips to the Appalachian south and storm-damaged New Orleans. This summer the synagogue is considering hosting a group of needy individuals through the Interfaith Hospitality Network. We hope to include more non-Jewish charitable efforts in our communal work in future years.

What do our sages teach us about *tikun olam*? While mention of such acts goes back to the Mishnaic era, the idea was greatly strengthened by the 16th century *Kabbalists*, particularly Rav Isaac Luria, who viewed *tikun olam* as a precursor to the return of the Messiah. In this somewhat self-serving view of *tikun olam*, a world of selflessness presaged a Messianic age of peace and

contentment. No surprise, really, that such beliefs would gain strength in the aftermath of the Spanish expulsion, yet from such flawed beginnings flowed modern Jewish notions of social action, exemplified in high levels of Jewish participation in the early labor movement, the American civil rights movement of the 1960s,

and in the 1968 French populist protests. American Jews, today, continue to donate at levels beyond their numbers to civic and arts institutions, research institutions, universities, hospitals, political campaigns, and environmental causes. The *kabbalistic* notion of Good Samaritanism has become a sort of civic religion for western Jews who have lost their faith.

We should not be alarmed if our *tzedakah* today strays beyond bounds which our European forbearers may have been comfortable with. Blessed to live in a robust democracy, we American Jews have the freedom to extend our reach beyond our immediate circle, and we should. True, we must take care of our own communal needs, but to give exclusively within the community violates the Tannaistic injunction to reach beyond ourselves. "If I am only for myself, what am I?" Hillel taught in the 1st century BC. But he prefaced it with the warning, "If I am not for myself, who will be for me?" A thoughtful and engaged Jew takes care of the community, but then reaches beyond to the greater world. Lest you feel the inclination to put this off, take heed of the third part of Hillel's lesson: "If not now, when?"



Jonathan Engel

***Raise the Roof Journal Deadline extended till March 7. See page 17 for order form.***



To contact Jonathan Engel, email him at [cchipresident@cbi-nj.org](mailto:cchipresident@cbi-nj.org)

## THE EXECUTIVE SUITE

By Jane Young, Executive Director

**CBI** is an extraordinary synagogue! When I came to CBI almost 4 years ago, you were in the midst of preparations for an expansion - the magnitude of which you and I had no idea would be so lengthy or so full of challenges. From the moment I started straight through to the current time, my days have been full with a seemingly never-ending series of hurdles - ones that I jumped over along with the entire staff, the intrepid team of lay leaders of the SPaIC - Strategic Planning and Implementation Committee and the congregation at large. What an incredible process this has been!

Just as CBI's leaders envisioned, the facility is now a place where children and adults can participate in all manner of programming simultaneously! On January 28, 2012, approximately 300 congregants gathered for CBI's very 1st multi-generational, multi-purpose event. Excitement was in the air that night as Cantor Wallach and CBI's band started the evening off with Havdalah, followed by the singing and dancing of a noteworthy crowd of children and adults throughout the Sanctuary. Many said that they had never seen so many people in the sanctuary - surely true for a January Havdalah service! The festivities gradually shifted as everyone found their way into the lobby and social hall where dinner was waiting. Next, as the adults finished eating, Rochelle, Janice and CBI's terrific USY kids whisked the children off for activities that took place in almost every

other room in the new building. As the children were engaged in story time, games and arts and crafts, the adults celebrated the reinstallation of the refurbished Robert Motherwall mural, "Wall of the Temple" with guest speaker, Karen Levitov, of the Jewish Museum who provided a wonderful glimpse into our mural's history. It was an amazing evening! Everyone left with smiles on their faces and memories of the music, singing, laughter, camaraderie and sheer joy that had filled the spaces, both old and new.

With all the devotion, time, energy, and funds you contributed in order to bring the congregation's vision of the project to fruition, you all have so much to be proud of and so many simchas to look forward to. On March 17, at the Raise the Roof celebration in this beautiful building, CBI is honoring five people who have helped to make the synagogue such a warm, special place: Bob and Carol Marcus, Michael and Nancy Weinstein and Rochelle Baron. This is the beginning of an exciting era for Congregation B'nai Israel. Come and be part of this new chapter of CBI's history!



All the best,  
Jane



*Dinner - CBI, Jan 28, 2012*



To contact Jane Young, email her at [cbidirector@cbi-nj.org](mailto:cbidirector@cbi-nj.org)

# BBRS PA REPORT

BBRS has been busy! Thankfully we have had help from many wonderful parents. A heartfelt thank you to the following:

- Orli Almog for her help setting up for the Gan Kabbalat Yaldaynu
- Jody Caplan and Marilyn Berney for their help with Chanukah
- Nealy and Dave Troll and Joanna and Lee Dranikoff for hosting the Bet and Gan Teas respectively in their homes. We had wonderful attendance to both teas and fun was had by all!
- Michelle Daniel for her extraordinary effort putting together a wonderful Siddur Ceremony for the Gimel class
- Tsippy Segev for purchasing and coordinating the Tu B'Shevat program and to Dan Richter for helping us set up
- Caryn Jasinover for the big job of organizing the very important Passover Candy Fundraiser
- Thank you to our amazing Purim committee: Michelle Daniel, Andrea Sadow, Julia Bersch, Lauren Kaplow, Debra Nevas, Wendy Araten, Isabel Goldfaden, Marilyn Berney, Stacy Merkel, Nealy Troll, Tsippy Segev, Tracy Ferdinand and special help from Robin Jacobs

We have lots more programs coming up including Passover and Mitzvahthon. Thanks in advance for all of your help! We hope everyone has paid their dues (\$25 per child payable to the BBRS PA) to support these wonderful programs. If you are not sure if you have paid your dues, please contact Amy Alpert at [gidamy@comcast.net](mailto:gidamy@comcast.net). Thanks for everyone's involvement and energy to make our children's Jewish educational experience exceptional.

Amy Alpert and Lisa Ehrlich  
BBRS PA co-chairs



## DONATE YOUR GENTLY USED PURIM COSTUMES!

Does your dress up box need a do-over?  
Is it time for a new set of Shrek ears?

**Bring us your gently used kid's costumes and we will give them another life.**

**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 AND Jersey Cares, which helps connect volunteers with community needs throughout New Jersey.**

**We are accepting clean costumes, in good condition, for children ages 2 - 12. Bring your donations to the Purim Carnival on March 4<sup>th</sup> 10:30am - 12:30pm or deposit them in the collection bin by the synagogue main office from March 4<sup>th</sup> - March 18<sup>th</sup>.**

**Questions? Contact Beth Von Bevern at [b.vonbevern@verizon.net](mailto:b.vonbevern@verizon.net)  
Hearts & Hands Committee**

# HEDWIG GRUENEWALD EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

By Rochelle Baron, Director

If it's March, it's time for Purim! The children are eagerly anticipating one of their favorite holidays and all that goes with it. Class parties will be held during the week of March 5. We are excited to finally bake hamentashen again in the new kitchen after a two year hiatus! (Last year's 'no-bake version' was soft white bread triangles with jelly in the middle; not quite the same but still very yummy).



School photos take place on March 7. The entire HGECC staff will attend the annual Early Childhood and Family Engagement Conference sponsored by The Partnership for Jewish Learning and Life on March 14, held at Temple Beth Shalom. The Matzah Bakery will be here on March 20th, teaching us how to make this favorite Passover food. We are also looking forward to participating in Passover University on March 25 with the Religious School.

Of course, one of the highlights of the month for me will be the CBI Gala on March 17th. I am deeply honored to be one of the honorees this year and cannot believe that eighteen years have passed since I first came here in 1994. I look forward to celebrating with many of you!

Here's hoping spring comes early!

Rochelle Baron



To contact Rochelle Baron, email her at [HGECC@cbi-nj.org](mailto:HGECC@cbi-nj.org)

## B'NEI MITZVAH

### Zoe Zingale March 10 (PM)



Zoe Zingale, a seventh grader at Millburn Middle School, loves to play field hockey, run and listen to music. She is a fun-loving, independent and creative person. Zoe worked on two mitzvah projects this year. She and a friend collected water bottles, hats, and towels for Camp Haze, a camp for kids who lost a parent in 9/11. Also, along with another friend, Zoe is collecting donations for Nothing But Nets, an organization that provides mosquito netting to families in Africa to prevent them from contracting malaria.

Zoe shares this special day with her parents, Alison and Mark Zingale, and brother Xander. She thanks her tutor, Paula Touger, Cantor Wallach and Rabbi Bayar for preparing her to become a Bat Mitzvah.

### Remy Samuels March 24 (AM)

Remy Samuels is a seventh grade student at Millburn Middle School where she plays clarinet in the school band. Remy has been attending religious school at Congregation B'nai Israel since the second grade. She enjoys writing, playing tennis, listening to music, and spending time with friends and family. As someone who loves to read, Remy is donating books to a non-profit organization that reaches out to schools and communities in need. Sharing in this special day are Remy's parents, Ivy and Larry and her younger brother Brandon, as well as Nana Jackie and Grandma Bernyce. Remy would like to thank her tutor Merav Bayar along with Cantor Wallach and Rabbi Bayar for helping her prepare for this milestone.





**Purim is March 7  
The Grade School  
Megillah Reading will be  
from 6:30-7:30**

**Join the fun!!  
Read a pasook (verse)  
from the Megillah!**

**Contact the Education  
Office ([schooloffice@cbi-  
nj.org](mailto:schooloffice@cbi-nj.org)) by February 13**

**No special skills required**

#### OTHER PURIM INFORMATION

- EARLY CHILDHOOD/PRIMARY SERVICE WILL TAKE PLACE AT 5:30 PM ON MARCH 7
- THE FULL MEGILLAH READING WILL BE READ AT 8:00 IN THE SANCTUARY

#### GRADE SCHOOL SERVICE -:

Will be led by our synagogue children (details above)

There will be a costume parade

There will be a gragger contest

All graggers must be homemade

Prizes will be given to the most creative in different age brackets.

**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  
breakfast and COFFEE**

**Questions and RSVP please contact  
Susan Stern ([hazelstorm1016@aol.com](mailto: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

If it's March then it must be time for new student registration and re-registration of our present students. Our Early Bird registration will take place throughout March and will be totally online through Survey Monkey. Details will be forthcoming.



What new things are we planning for next year's students? In the planning:

- Our Primary Camp which has been very well received by students and parents alike will be expanded. Beginning in September, 2012, **our kindergarten through 2nd grade children** will attend classes from **8:45 – 12:00 noon** like their older peers. This will give us the opportunity to expand our new model of education – Primary Camp. Students will not only meet with teachers but there will be additional time to meet with our “counselors” who will be leading singing, Israeli dancing and other “informal” education programs.
- An expansion of our Majors Programs. This year our 7th graders, were asked to declare a major and an area of specialization. Their graduation projects will be based on their Major and we are looking forward to the fruits of their labor when they present them at this year's **Graduation on May 10**. Next year we are hoping to offer our Vav students, an elective program that will allow each of them to deepen their knowledge of one field of Judaism whether, Jewish History, Text study, Hebrew language or Israel. Details to follow.
- Speaking about these incoming 7th graders, we are exploring the idea of moving their school day on Mondays from the afternoon to the evening. We know that Middle School students have a lot of after school activities that make it difficult to come on Monday afternoons, and we also know that they will enjoy joining the older students of Tichon – the BBRS Hebrew High School program – on Monday nights for dinner and their own study.

There are other ideas on the table – stay tuned for details next month – meanwhile – please register now for BBRS.

Janice Colmar



*Lara Good helping Gabrielle Alpert make a Havdallah candle at the Winter Open House.*



*Zachary Fox and Joshua Kalet playing a board game at the Winter Open House.*



*Primary Camp at BBRS means making friends!*



To contact Janice Colmar, email her at [cbieducator@gmail.com](mailto:cbieducator@gmail.com)

## Adult Ed

By Joshua Schor, Chair

Adult Ed is off to a great start. Please try to commit to learning something about our wonderful heritage by taking a class. We are currently enrolling congregants into a special class about Passover, *How Has this Night Been Different from all Others?* We guarantee this will add immeasurably to your Seder and beyond. The price is reasonable, heavily subsidized, and runs for 5 different nights in March, taught by stellar JTS "Context" faculty and our own Rabbi Bayar. Please see flyer in this bulletin for the fascinating topics, learned faculty and dates and times. We also have ongoing classes in Prayerbook Hebrew, Jewish Wisdom, Torah Cantillation with Cantor Wallach and Rabbi Bayar's courses on Mysticism and Jewish Philosophy. We are pleased to have two new mini-courses on Sunday mornings: Raising Ethical Jewish Children and How to give a short D'var Torah. Contact Josh Schor for questions and register with Celeste at 973.379.3811 ext 20. I would like to specifically thank Celeste for her

marvelous help and President Engel and the board of CBI for their devotion to adult education. Let's learn together!

### Because of YOU...

MetroWest teens have a multitude of choices to experience their Judaism in engaging and stimulating ways.



[DO YOUR PART]

ACT NOW: [www.ujcnj.org](http://www.ujcnj.org) (973) 929-3036



UNITED JEWISH COMMUNITIES  
OF METROWEST NEW JERSEY  
RETHINK FEDERATION  
RETHINK THE  
POSSIBILITIES

## Passover Anyone?

My father was a wandering Aramean. That is the "mitzvah topic" of traditional families seated around the Seder table. Seriously, let's discuss. Remembering our past is something we do best, but Arameans?? Perhaps it is not directly our father, it is our Patriarch Jacob. He was running away from home, when along the way, he met and fell madly in love with his cousin Rachel. He went to his uncle Laban and said, I love your daughter Rachel. What do I need to do to make your daughter, my wife? The day of the wedding came and the bride was heavily veiled. But in the morning it was not Rachel he found in his marriage bed, but her sister, Leah. So he worked for his uncle another 7 years for Rachel's hand. That is 14 years, but he stayed another 6 years, a total of 20 years.



The Passover Seder is never complete without this conversation. Neither is our Seder dinner complete with out haggadahs, a Seder Plate, a separate goblet for Elijah and a Miriam's cup, wine, lots of wine, and matzah, the cover for the matzah, presents for finding the afikomen, lots of stuff to keep the kids engaged and don't forget the bitter herbs. And the best place to pick up all you need to have a holiday-ready table all year round is **CBI's Sisterhood Gift Shop**. Open every **Sunday** in March from **10 am until 12:15 pm** or by appointment. Please call Ilisa Perlman at 973 379-9275 with any questions.

Next Year in Jerusalem!

Louise Sverdlove  
Sisterhood Gift Shop  
Publicity Chair

## Sisterhood's Message

By Paula Touger, Sisterhood President

Isn't *Purim* a great topic for a Sisterhood article? This holiday has a powerful (and atypical) example of a Jewish woman who (aided by Mordechai) saves our people. Although the holiday is named for the "pur", the lots that were cast to determine our collective fate, the story we read is called "*Megillat Esther*" (the book of Esther). It's kind of surprising that coming from the *Tanach* (Bible), a collection of writings not known for their feminist perspective, the book read on Purim is not called *Megillat Mordechai*. But I'm not complaining. Esther is the model of a brave and resourceful Jewish woman that we can show our sons and daughters.



In contrast to this rare biblical female role model, we have many 21st century role models right here in our CBI Sisterhood community. At our "Essential Conversations" program in February we had a wonderful panel of women discussing their work-family balance challenges. Debbie Liner, one of the event organizers, summed it up this way, "It was truly intergenerational, with grandmothers speaking to young mothers, young mothers struggling with the choices that their feminist predecessors opened up for them and all of us wondering what the world will hold for our daughters (and sons). The room concluded with what feminist scholars have surmised, that change will occur for women, equality and true opportunity will be achieved, only through mutual respect and recognition between the sexes, through a sharing of parental responsibilities between mother and father! Struggles, joys, regrets, imperfections, fulfillment, disappointment, possibility and limits -- all aspects of this complex problem of combining career and motherhood, were hit upon". And all this in just one evening of programming! Thanks and *Yasher Koach* to Debbie, and Wendy Weill, Sisterhood Programming VP's for organizing, as well as Orli Almog, Janet Slifer, Elizabeth Cohen, Harriet Klein, our panelists, and Lori Schor for suggesting

the concept.

We are not quite at Purim but I want you to know about a program that will take place right after Passover. On Sunday, April 15, Sisterhood will present a special weekend *Rosh Chodesh* at 9:00 am (right after Religious school drop-off).

Our congregant, Lucy E. Waldman, will lead the discussion, "*From Birth to Bris*". Lucy is a certified *Mohelet*, one of 3 females in the state of NJ to have such credentials. Yes, she can perform your son's (or grandson's) ritual circumcision ("*Bris*" or *Brit Milah*)! Come share some coffee (and perhaps your first post-Passover bagel) and hear about Lucy's interesting story of being a woman in a male-dominated profession as well as join in some learning and discussion about why we perform this ritual and what it means to us as women. For full details see the flyer in this bulletin.

Don't forget to stop by our gift shop for all your Passover needs! *Seder* plates, wine cups, gifts for your hostess, etc! These purchases benefit CBI!

Paula Touger

### THE KADIMANIKS ARE COMING!!!

March 9 – 11, 2012

Congregation B'nai Israel is delighted to be hosting 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. Approximately 60 teenagers from all over Northern and Central New Jersey, including our own CBI Kadima members, will be gathering in Millburn for a weekend of prayer, study and fun.

Join us on Friday evening, March 9, for a Kabbalat Shabbat service led by the 8th grade Shabbaton participants and a festive Oneg to follow! All youth group members of Chaverim, Kadima and Millburn USY are urged to attend this Shabbat service with ruach! The Kadimaniks will also be leading the Shabbat service on Saturday morning, March 10. Some students of the Blanche Bayar Religious School students will have the opportunity to daven with the Kadimaniks on Sunday morning, March 11.

This promises to be a wonderful weekend for our visiting teen guests and for our congregation...and a further example of how we integrate youth programming into all facets of CBI life!



To contact Paula, email [ptouger@aol.com](mailto:ptouger@aol.com)

***CBI MEN'S CLUB ANNUAL***  
***Joe Keselman & Juan Katz Memorial***  
***PAID-UP BREAKFAST***

**SUNDAY, APRIL 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012**  
**9:15-11:00 AM, after Minyan**  
ENJOY A DELICIOUS BREAKFAST  
PREPARED BY OUR OWN MEN'S CLUB "TOP CHEFS"

*FEATURED GUEST SPEAKERS:*

*Bruce & Mira Form*

*One a Former History Teacher -*  
*Both Civil War Historians/Re-enactors*  
*Dress in Period Attire and Discuss*  
***"Jews of the Civil War"***



-----Detach before mailing-----

--

**Please RSVP by March 30<sup>th</sup>**

Free for paid-up CBI Men's Club members.

Cost is \$5 for all others including spouse, kids, friends, etc.

You may purchase membership at the door or by sending check in amount shown below to CBI – Men's Club.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Paid-Up Men's Club members (no charge)

\_\_\_\_\_ Join Men's Club (Membership - \$38/year, Women can join as Associates for \$20/year)

\_\_\_\_\_ Others @ \$5 per person

Total amount enclosed = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Checks should be made payable to: Men's Club, CBI)

Mail this form with payment to: **CBI – Men's Club, 160 Millburn Avenue, Millburn, NJ 07041**

## GIVING MEN'S CLUB A SECOND LOOK

By Henry Bloom,  
Men's Club President

In the second half of the book of Exodus, starting with *Parashat T'rumah*, we read in exacting detail about the building and furnishing of the Tabernacle, the portable shrine that will house the Ark and the Tablets of the Ten Commandments. We also read in detail about the priestly garments that are to be worn by Aaron and his sons in their service to God. Many of us find these lengthy descriptions tedious and hard to relate to in comparison to the compelling narratives of Genesis. However, when we take a step back and picture in our mind the glory and splendor of the finished Tabernacle and the priestly garments, we realize that these descriptions and images are worth a second look. The same can be said for the CBI Men's Club, not that we are filled with glory and splendor, but that there is richness and a breadth of activities that are worth a second look.

During the past two months alone, Men's club has enriched the religious life of the community through Men's Club Shabbat, which achieved an unprecedented level of participation including many first timers, and the World Wide Wrap, which engaged our sixth grade Hebrew School students in the Mitzvah of wrapping Tefillin. Men's Club sports activities have continued with pick-up basketball on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings, softball coming up in the spring. In recent months, we have seen a revitalization of our Book Club, which meets every six weeks at the home of a different member. As we look ahead to a busy spring, Men's Club will once again be involved in two important Tzedakah projects: the CBI Mitzvathon and the Yom Hashoah Yellow Candle Program, a tribute to the memory of those who lost their lives in the Holocaust. Each of these activities and other events that are planned for the spring offer an opportunity to give Men's Club a second look. Don't let them pass you by.

On Sunday morning, **April 1, 2012 at 9:15 AM** don't miss the annual **Juan Katz/Joe Keselman Memorial Paid-up Breakfast**. This year's speakers, Bruce and Mira Form, are Civil War historians who will entertain and educate us about the Jews of the Civil War. The program is open to the entire community, men and women, CBI members and non-members. There is no charge to paid-up CBI Men's Club members; all others \$5 per person. For more information, **contact Michael Jurist at Michael.jurist@verizon.net.**

Henry Bloom



To contact Henry Bloom, email him at [henry.bloom@novartis.com](mailto:henry.bloom@novartis.com)



Thank you to **Steve Chizzik** and the World Wide Wrap Committee on a **successful Tefillin Wrap**. It was great to see so many of the Hebrew Schools students engaged and willing to give this Mitzvah a try. Thanks also to **Janice Colmar** for working with Men's Club once again to make this happen. Special thanks to **Mike Slifer** for putting together a terrific photo montage that really helped raise the interest and the energy level in the room and to **Lori Schor** whose passion for laying tefillin and whose participation once again contributed so much to this event. Finally, thank you to the members of Men's Club who came out to work with the students: **Kopel Burke, Josh Schor, David Ehrlich, Steve Blum** and others who were there to support the event.

\* \* \* \* \*

Men's Club basketball continues. Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings come play some basketball with your fellow CBI members. We all have a lot of fun and get a good work out at the same time. Join us at the Union Y located at 501 Green Lane in Union. For more information, **contact David Touger at [dtouger@aol.com](mailto:dtouger@aol.com)**

\* \* \* \* \*

The next meeting of the **Men's Club Book Club** will take place on **Tuesday Mar 13, at 8:30 pm** at the home of **Steve Moehlman, 5 Elmwood Place, Short Hills**. We will be discussing the Israeli novel by **David Grossman, "To the End of the Land"**. Please join us. For more information, **contact Ed Nadel at [edward.nadel@credit-suisse.com](mailto:edward.nadel@credit-suisse.com)**

\* \* \* \* \*

This year once again, Men's Club will be offering a wide variety of Passover wines for sale, conveniently delivered to your home. Details with the complete list of wines will be provided soon. For information, please **contact David Ehrlich: [dave.ehrlich@eds.com](mailto:dave.ehrlich@eds.com)**

\* \* \* \* \*

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.**

CBIPROGRAMMING PRESENTS

# **PASSOVER UNIVERSITY & OPEN HOUSE BRING SOMETHING NEW TO YOUR SEDER**

**MARCH 25, 2012  
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Are you looking to have more fun at your Passover Seder? (Or, just some fun at all!) Tired of the same ol' story? Want to sing a bit more? Laugh a bit more? Learn something new!?!?

The purpose of the Seder is to tell the story of Passover.

There are many ways to do this!

Join us at CBI for a morning of

"mini-classes" on how to prepare the best Passover Seder...for every member of your family...at every age!

There will be a number of different sessions – for adults, families and children, each specifically-designed to provide new insights and activities for your family Seder. Sessions to be led by Rabbi Bayar, Cantor Wallach, Janice Colmar, Rochelle Baron, Treasure Cohen and CBI experts!

CBI Gift Shop will be open!

## **A Sampling For Adults**

Show, Tell and Eat - How the Seder Teaches  
How to Run a Seder fit for all 4 Children!

### **PLEASE NOTE**

*This program is open to all CBI congregants  
and families.*

*Students in BBRS will participate in lieu of  
regular class schedule. Parents are encouraged  
to attend for this very special CBI day!*

When Bad Things Happen to Bad People – from  
Pharoah to Bin Laden (a new look at the 10 plagues)  
Check out our Haggadah collection!

## **A Sampling For Children and Families**

New and Old Tunes - share your favorite!  
Invent your own Haroset recipe  
Gather new recipes for your seder  
Create a new family heirloom  
Storytelling  
Passover Videos

## **SPECIAL! Visit the "Pesach Lounge"**

In between sessions, take the opportunity to join friends in our "Pesach Lounge," where you can share ideas and sample new and yummy Seder foods prepared by our famous CBI Sisterhood chefs!

**Want More Information Now? Contact [cbiprogramming@gmail.com](mailto:cbiprogramming@gmail.com) or Claire at 973-379-1134**



## Casino Night at Congregation B'nai Israel

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

# CASINO GAMES TEXAS HOLD 'EM POKER TOURNAMENT

**SUNDAY APRIL 15, 6 - 10 PM**

**Join Us and Bring Your Friends for Catered Light Dinner & Drinks**

**Tournament Starts at 7pm Sharp**

**Tournament Cover:** \$150 per person by April 6<sup>th</sup>; \$170 at door  
(Includes Food & Table Games)

**Food & Table Games Only:** \$60 per person by April 6<sup>th</sup>; \$75 at door

**Tournament First Place: Minimum \$2,000 VISA Giftcard\***

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](mailto:sotdot@verizon.net) or Robyn Namm at [robglatt@yahoo.com](mailto: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*

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Qty. \_\_\_\_\_ Tournament Tickets @ \$150 ea / Qty. \_\_\_\_\_ Table Game Tickets @ \$60 ea

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## TORAH FUND

If you have been thinking of supporting Torah Fund, but haven't yet, here's another reason for "attending" our Tealess Tea Party now.

The Hebrew word, -ve-natnu, means "and they gave." It is a palindrome. Read the letters frontwards and backwards, from right to left and left to right; they are the same. This can be interpreted as "when you give, you get back." Or, when you give to Torah Fund, you get back the honor and pleasure of knowing you are helping to insure the continuity of our Jewish tradition. Our Rabbis, Cantors, Teachers and Lay Leaders, who are trained at JTS, the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies, the Schechter Institute and the Seminario Rabinico Latinoamericano, are the ones who make it happen.

Without a strong foundation of Jewish education, our tradition of Conservative Judaism is imperiled.

If you would like your name added to the following list of CBI Torah Fund donors, please mail your check to Sandy Panzer, 975 Harding Road, Elizabeth, NJ 07208.

Jane Brauer*	Ilene Klein*	Sandy Panzer**
Jody Caplan*	Lois Kleiner*	Ilana Saporta**
Nicole Cohen-Rechter	Barbara Klinger	Sally Shotkin
Roz Engel	Teddy Leff	Ellen Shulman
Shirley Ehrich	Andrea Levine	Sandra Skinder
Roz Epstein	Frances Licht	Linda Sotkin
Rosalie Farber	Miriam Linver*	Jeffrey Stirling
Elynn Finston*	Carol Marcus*	Paula Touger*
Judy Fredman	Leslie McCafferty	Ginny Panzer Weiner
Leslie Gersho		Charlotte Wernick

\*\*Guardian, Donation of \$300

\*Benefactor, Donation of \$180



### How Can I Contribute to Torah Fund?

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

**Call Sandy Panzer at 908-351-1999**

**Make checks payable to:  
Torah Fund – JTS**

**Please leave order in Sisterhood mailbox located in the synagogue office. We will fill & deliver your order promptly.**

#### CONDOLENCE

☐ Dark Blue   ☐ Cream   ☐ Tree   ☐ White

#### CONGRATULATIONS ON ANY JOYOUS OCCASION

☐ Baby   ☐ Mazel Tov   ☐ Rejoicing with You  
☐ Milestone   ☐ Special Occasion

#### MISCELLANEOUS

☐ In Friendship   ☐ Todah Rabah (Thank you)

#### GET WELL

☐ Refuah Shleimah (Complete Recovery)   ☐ Get Well

#### **Purchase Special Gift Cards from the Torah Fund Office.**

Beautiful cards are available for \$18 or \$50 donations. Call the Torah Fund office at 212-678-8977 to order. Or visit them at [www.jtsa.edu/torahfund.xml](http://www.jtsa.edu/torahfund.xml)

**Give a donation!** Make donation payable to Torah Fund-JTS & send to Sandy Panzer, 975 Harding Road Elizabeth NJ 07208.

**Become a Benefactor** for \$180 donation and receive a pin. Larger donations receive a pin with a gem in the pin.

**Lois Kleiner  
and Sandy Panzer**  
Torah Fund Vice Presidents



# Raise the Roof Celebration

Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012

CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL

MILLBURN NJ

Celebrating our esteemed HONOREES

Nancy and Michael Weinstein

Carol and Robert Marcus

Rochelle Baron

## CBI Raise the Roof Tribute Journal Form

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE EXTENDED TO WED., MARCH 7TH:**

Ad Donor

Amount Enclosed

Phone number

### Premium pages

- ☐ Inside front cover \$5400
- ☐ Back cover \$5400
- ☐ Inside back cover \$4500
- ☐ Gold Page \$3600
- ☐ Silver Page \$1800

☐ Pay by check (payable to **Congregation B'nai Israel** with  
"Tribute Journal Ad" noted in the memo section)

☐ Pay by credit card (VISA or AMEX):

Your Name

### Regular pages

- ☐ Full Page \$ 540
- ☐ ½ page \$ 360
- ☐ ¼ page \$ 180
- ☐ Business card \$54

Card Name

Card Number

Exp. Date

Signature

Send to: Raise the Roof Tribute Journal  
c/o Congregation B'nai Israel  
160 Millburn Avenue  
Millburn NJ 07041.

**YOUR JOURNAL AD MUST BE RECEIVED BY CBI NO LATER THAN MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>.**

By FAX: 973-379-1941 By E-MAIL: [cbidirector@cbi-nj.org](mailto:cbidirector@cbi-nj.org)

### THANK YOU!

Please e-mail your ad to [cbidirector@cbi-nj.org](mailto:cbidirector@cbi-nj.org) or attach camera-ready copy. OR provide the text for your ad below and we will design an ad for you.

IMAGE AREA for full page is 7.5" x 10"; half page is 7.5" x 5"; quarter page is 3.75" x 5".

## ENJOY YOUR SHABBAT MEALS WITH MEN'S CLUB DELICIOUS CHALLAHS!



### FRIDAY DELIVERY TO THE SYNAGOGUE

(Pick up from Multi-Purpose Room every Friday 6:30am - 1:00pm)  
(Absolutely no pick up on Shabbat!)

PLAIN \* SEEDED \* RAISIN \* WHOLE WHEAT\*  
CHOCOLATE CHIP or PKG. CHALLAH ROLLS  
\$3.75 EACH

April	(2 wk)	\$ 7.50
May	(4 wk)	\$15.00
June	(5 wk)	\$18.75

ORDER BY THE MONTH OR ANY WAY YOU WISH  
SAVE WITH 3 MONTH ORDER PRICE IS \$40.00

for more information  
CALL HOWARD GREENWALD (973)763-0414

OR PLEASE TEAR & MAIL THIS PORTION TO  
MENS CLUB - CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL - 160 MILLBURN AVE. - MILLBURN,  
NJ 07041

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ I wish to order: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel.: \_\_\_\_\_ For the month (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Included is my check for: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Men's Club, C.B.I.

## 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 \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact name \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. Enclosed@ \_\_\_\_\_

## ADULT FORUM

### March 2012

Scheduled for **March 6** is the classic Alfred Hitchcock film, *Rebecca*. This is a 1940 psychological/dramatic noir thriller directed by Alfred Hitchcock as his first American project and was a brilliant adaptation of Daphne du Maurier's 1938 novel of the same name. Produced by Selznick, it stars Sir Laurence Olivier as the aristocratic widower Maxim de Winter, Joan Fontaine as his second wife, and Dame Judith Anderson as the housekeeper, Mrs. Danvers.



Returning on **March 20** is one of our favorite entertainers, Rick Busciglio. Rick's program, *The Golden Age of Radio* will include some of your best loved radio shows like *Amos N'Andy*; *Burns and Allen*; *The Lux Radio Theatre*; *Superman*; *The Shadow* and many more.

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 to 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 27**. 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 to register.

As always, we look forward to seeing you at our meetings.

Shalom,  
Lois Dyer

ADULT FORUM Events RSVP  
March – April 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:

☐ **Mar. 6 - Film *Rebecca*. RSVP to  
Lois 973-533-1809 by today.**

<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey	<input type="checkbox"/> Corned Beef	<input type="checkbox"/> Pastrami
<input type="checkbox"/> Roast Beef	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuna	<input type="checkbox"/> Egg Salad

☐ **Mar. 20 - Rick Busciglio presents *The Golden Age of Radio*. RSVP to  
Lois 973-533-1809 by March 16.**

<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey	<input type="checkbox"/> Corned Beef	<input type="checkbox"/> Pastrami
<input type="checkbox"/> Roast Beef	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuna	<input type="checkbox"/> Egg Salad

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

<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey	<input type="checkbox"/> Corned Beef	<input type="checkbox"/> Pastrami
<input type="checkbox"/> Roast Beef	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuna	<input type="checkbox"/> Egg Salad

☐ **Apr. 27 - TRIP -WheatonArts.Museum  
of American Glass in Millville, NJ SEE  
SEPARATE FORM TO REGISTER.**



To contact Lois Dyer, email her at [penzoe1@comcast.net](mailto:penzoe1@comcast.net)

# ISRAEL AFFAIRS

By Joe Tenenbaum



## AIPAC Policy Conference March 4-6, 2012

Depending on when you receive this, it probably is too late to register for this year's AIPAC Policy Conference. Those who have already registered are getting ready to go to Washington, DC for an experience which will inspire them with appreciation for the

power of the American citizen, and with appreciation for the importance of the US Israel relationship.

In next month's Bulletin, I will be able to provide some highlights of this year's Conference. If you could not come this year, but want to experience this event, make a note to attend the Policy Conference next year.

For more information about AIPAC visit [www.AIPAC.org](http://www.AIPAC.org). You should be able to find out what is happening at the Policy Conference by visiting the website during the event. Highlights from this year's conference will be on the site, including excerpts of major speeches to the Conference.

If you have questions, please contact me [TenenbaumJ@aol.com](mailto:TenenbaumJ@aol.com) for more information.

## Step Up For Israel !! February 9, 2012

CBI completed its participation in the Step Up for Israel program, which was sponsored by the Community Relations Committee (CRC) of United Jewish Communities of MetroWest N.J. in partnership with Jerusalem Online University and Hasbara Fellowships. CBI was one of over 30 congregations to offer the minicourse within the MetroWest community.

The final film and discussion, "Communicate for Israel," described clearly how we can discuss Israel with our friends, families and acquaintances in a positive and effective manner. I want to share with you a few key ideas from that session.

The focus of the session was on effectively communicating about Israel. The Film recommends 3 P's: PR (Public Relations), Pro-

Active, and Perspective. By PR, the film encourages us to present a human non controversial side of Israel, by emphasizing people and personal stories to create empathy with our audience. By Pro-Active, the strategy encourages pro-Israel people to direct the discussion away from Anti-Israel narratives to discussing a Pro-Israel Agenda. This Pro-Israel Agenda highlights these three true statements about Israel and Israelis:

Israel is a Democracy and Israelis support Human Rights

Israel values and protects the lives of civilians

Israelis want Peace and Security and are willing to compromise but they lack a peace partner

The third "P", Perspective builds on these ideas by placing Israel's position in the world in proper context – using a 3 point process called ABC:

**Answer** Answer directly and quickly the question or criticism brought up

**Bridge** Broaden the discussion - identify the broader context of the issue

**Close** Move to a positive statement about Israel as shown above

I cannot explain the entire discussion, but I hope that I have encouraged you to explore these issues more fully. Rabbi Elliot Mathias, who led our discussion, is Executive Director of Hasbara Fellowships which was a co-sponsor of the film series. His organization focuses on providing college students with knowledge and strategies to pro-actively defend Israel on college campuses. If you know a college student who might be interested in this program, you can contact Rabbi Mathias at [emathias@hasbarafellowships.org](mailto:emathias@hasbarafellowships.org) for more information.

I would like to thank Janet Slifer for her help in working on the logistics of presenting Step Up for Israel. I would also like to thank congregants who led discussions during the series – Jill and Boaz Kimelman, Henry Bloom and Rabbi Helaine Ettinger, and Cheryl and Nahum Burstein. I would also like to thank Mike Slifer, Nancy Tenenbaum and Evelyn Baron for their work on the series.

As CBI was one of the first congregations to complete the series, I encourage those of you



To contact Joe Tenenbaum, email him at [TenenbaumJ@AOL.com](mailto:TenenbaumJ@AOL.com)

who were unable to attend our final session to attend one in a neighboring congregation. This information should be available at the following website, [http://www.ujcnj.org/display\\_image.aspx?ID=339259](http://www.ujcnj.org/display_image.aspx?ID=339259) or by contacting Nir Buchler at MetroWest: nbuchler@ujcnj.org. You can also contact me for more information.

#### **Men's Club Book Club March 13, 2012**

On March 13, the CBI Men's Club Book Club will discuss To the End of the Land, by David Grossman. This book is the story of a woman's attempt to deal with her fear associated with her son's service in the IDF. Grossman wrote this book after his own son, Uri was killed in the 2006 Second Lebanon War.

For the location of the discussions and more information, please contact Ed Nadel.

#### **Sisterhood Book Club May 2, 2012**

On May 2, CBI's Sisterhood will discuss a memoir concerning a pre-state olah to Israel. They will be discussing: My Russian Grandmother and Her American Vacuum Cleaner, a family memoir by Meir Shalev. Congregant Jennifer Glick will lead the discussion. For more information about this event, please contact Sisterhood Programming Co-Chairs, Debbie

Liner at 973-763-3226 or Wendi Weill at 973-467-7967.

#### **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**

<i>AIPAC Policy Conference</i>	3/4-6/12
<i>Men's Club Book Club</i>	3/13/12
<i>12th Annual NJ Jewish Film Festival</i>	3/18/12-4/1/12
<i>CBI Showing – A Hero in Heaven</i>	4/22/12
<i>Community Yom Hazikaron Commemoration</i>	4/24/12
<i>David Broza Yom Haatzmaut Concert</i>	4/26/12
<i>Sisterhood Book Discussion</i>	5/22/12
<i>Salute to Israel Parade</i>	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

### *Schedule of Pesach 2012 - 5772 Services*

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

## 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, March 6**

The Amazing Race

**Friday, March 9**

Spring Youth Group Shabbat & Oneg

Part of Regional 8th Grade Kadima

Shabbaton

**Sunday, March 18**

Swimming Social

Details to Follow

### 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

**Friday, March 9**

Spring Youth Group Shabbat & Oneg

Part of Regional 8th Grade Kadima

Shabbaton

**Thursday, March 29**

GaGa & Games II

### MILLBURN USY

**The CBI Youth Group for  
9th – 12th Graders**

7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Youth Lounge (unless otherwise noted)

**Wednesday, March 7**

Annual Ransom the Rabbi

During Megillah Reading Evening

Service

**Friday, March 9**

Spring Youth Group Shabbat & Oneg

Part of Regional 8th Grade Kadima

Shabbaton

**Thursday, March 29**

Israel Awareness Super Program

8th Graders Invited

## Millburn USY

*Pam Perler currently serves on the Millburn USY Board. Pam has worked at the Blanche Bayar Religious School for four years and is now Rosh Madrikha of the primary madrakhim. Pam spent the second semester of her sophomore year in Israel on TRY (Tichon Ramah Yerushalayim), a high school program through Ramah which allows students to have the experience of living in Israel while still completing all high school academic requirements. She also serves on the Hagalil Regional USY General Board.*

Hi, I'm Pamela Perler and I'm a senior at Millburn High School. I am Millburn USY's Membership Vice President and this is my fourth year on the board. Throughout my four years in USY, I have attended many regional conventions as well as a few international ones (International Convention '10 and '11 and Heschel Kinnus '11 and '12, in a few weeks).

Over this past December break, I joined over 800 Jews in Philadelphia for USY's 61st International Convention. I met a lot of people from all over the country and even Canada. We talked about all sorts of things like what to do when we are having an issue with a friend and heard guest speakers. My favorite speaker was a guy named Marc Elliot. Marc was born with a disease that left him with very little intestines and as he grew older, he has suffered with Tourette Syndrome. From his experiences in life, he was able to deliver an emotional and moving speech about being accepting of others and never judging or jumping to conclusions.

Although everyone enjoyed hearing Marc speak, the best part of IC for me, as well as the entire region, was when our very own Hagalil Regional USY President, Joshua Ull, was elected International USY President. Tears were shed and hugs were exchanged as we all congratulated Josh.

As Membership VP, I am very proud to say that our chapter has grown a lot this year. We now have an average of twenty USYers at each chapter event. There has also been an awesome increase in attendance at regional conventions and dances. So far this year has been successful and I hope to help keep up the involvement.

**Pam Perler**

**Millburn USY**

**Membership Vice President**

# COMMUNITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE

## Thursday, March 1

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class
- 6:00 pm - Kadima – Purim Party
- 8:15 pm - Adult Education - JTS Passover Class

## Saturday, March 3

- 10:30 am - CBI Family & Community Purim Service (Chapel)

## Sunday, March 4

- 8:45 am - BBRS Parent's Conferences
- 9:00 am - Adult Education - Introductory Prayer Book Hebrew
- 9:00 am - Torah Cantillation for Beginners
- 10:30 am - Purim Carnival

## Monday, March 5

- 9:15 am - HGECC Purim Party
- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class
- 7:15 pm - Adult Education - Learning to Read Talmud
- 7:30 pm - Sisterhood Board Meeting

## Tuesday, March 6

- 12:00 pm - Adult Forum
- 8:00 pm - Executive Committee Meeting
- 8:15 pm - Adult Education - JTS Passover Class

## Wednesday, March 7 - Fast of Esther / Megillah Reading

- 5:30 pm - Early Childhood/Primary Service
- 6:30 pm - Grade School Megillah Reading
- 7:00 pm - USY (Ransom the Rabbi & Cantor)
- 8:00 pm - Megillah Reading

## Thursday, March 8

- **BBRS NO SCHOOL**
- 9:15 am - HGECC Purim Party

## Friday, March 9 – Saturday, March 10 CBI Hosting Spring 2012 Hagalil Kadima 8th Grade Shabbaton

## Saturday, March 10

- 10:30 am - Shabbat Journeyers' Minyan
- ZOE ZINGALE BAT MITZVAH (PM)

## Sunday, March 11 – Remember clocks move ahead at 2:00 am for Daylight Savings Times

- 9:00 am - Adult Education - Introductory Prayer Book Hebrew
- 9:00 am - Adult Education - Torah Cantillation for Beginners

## Monday, March 12

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class
- 7:15 pm - Adult Education - Learning to Read Talmud
- 8:00 pm - Men's Club Board Meeting

## Tuesday, March 13

- 8:00 pm - Board of Trustees Meeting
- 8:00 pm - BBRS Board Meeting

## Wednesday, March 14 - HGECC Closed

## Thursday, March 15

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class

## Saturday, March 17

- 11:15 am - Yaldeinu
- 7:00 pm - CBI "Raise the Roof" Gala

## Sunday, March 18

- 9:00 am - Adult Education - Introductory Prayer Book Hebrew

## Monday, March 19

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class
- 7:15 pm - Adult Education - Learning to Read Talmud

## Tuesday, March 20

- 12:00 pm - Adult Forum

## Tuesday, March 22

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class
- 8:15 pm - Adult Education – Passover Class

## Saturday, March 24

- REMY SAMUELS BAT MITZVAH
- 10:30 am - Shabbat Journeyers' Minyan

## Sunday, March 25

- 8:45 am - Passover University
- 9:00 am - Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh
- 6:30 pm - JACS

## Monday, March 26

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class
- 7:15 pm - Adult Education - Learning to Read Talmud

## Thursday, March 29

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class
- 8:15 pm - Adult Education – Passover Class

## Saturday, March 31

- Membership Seudah Slisheet & Havdallah

## Sunday, April 1

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

## Monday, April 2

- 9:30 am - Rabbi's Class
- 7:15 pm - Adult Education - Learning to Read Talmud
- 7:30 pm - Sisterhood Board Meeting

## Tuesday, April 3

- 8:00 pm - Executive Committee Meeting

## Thursday, April 5

- 9:30 pm - Rabbi's Class
- 8:15 pm - Adult Education - Jewish Wisdom

## Yahrzeit Donors

Jonathan T. Abrams  
Ronnie Armuth  
Deena Bernhaut  
Molly Burack  
Sylvia Chertow  
Jerome Cook  
Barry Dashefsky  
Peter Eilbott  
Herb Estreicher  
Sam Estreicher

Nina Feldman  
Janet Fischer  
Cele Fruchtman  
Jacqueline & Mort Gershman  
William Glasofer  
Gerson Goldman, z'l  
Arnold S. Gwirtzman  
Isobel Kahn  
Hanna Keselman

Sanford Kingsly  
Harriet F. Klein  
Samuel Koniak  
Pearl Lehrhoff  
Susan Margulies  
Sheila Marx  
Ruth Morvay  
Steven & Aggie Renner  
Paul Rosenberg  
Herbert Sabin

Evelyn Schachtel  
Lorraine Schor  
Francine Schwartz  
Gloria Segel  
Peta Segal  
Martha Seidner  
Evelyne Weinberg  
Neil Yaris  
Norman Zegas

# 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](mailto:lisar@cbi-nj.org).

## Synagogue Fund

To Josh Schor ~ In honor of being named one of the Top Geriatric Doctors by NJ Monthly Magazine.

- ❖ FloEllen and Richard Maslow
- ❖ Shirley & Irving Alper

To Brenda Eisenberg ~ In honor of your granddaughter Mariella becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

- ❖ FloEllen and Richard Maslow
- ❖ Shirley & Irving Alper

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

- ❖ Amy & Larry Dantus
- ❖ Linda & Donald Lakin
- ❖ Meryl & Michael Skinder

To Susan Meth ~ In memory of your father Leonard Schwartz.

- ❖ Amy & Larry Dantus
- ❖ Robin & Gabriel Margent
- ❖ Ann, Mitch, Fred & Hayley Brown

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

- ❖ Harriet & Sheldon Greenholtz

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

- ❖ Amy & Larry Dantus
- ❖ Harriet & Sheldon Greenholtz
- ❖ Ann, Mitch, Fred & Hayley Brown
- ❖ Susan & Michael Jurist
- ❖ Carol & Bob Marcus
- ❖ Michelle Retik

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

- ❖ Amy & Larry Dantus
- ❖ Miriam Linver & Matthew Askin
- ❖ Robin & Gabriel Margent
- ❖ Hanna Keselman
- ❖ Carol & Bob Marcus
- ❖ Harriet & Sheldon Greenholtz
- ❖ Susan & Michael Jurist
- ❖ Ann, Mitch, Fred & Hayley Brown
- ❖ Lisa & David Ehrlich

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

- ❖ Amy & Larry Dantus
- ❖ Miriam Linver & Matthew Askin
- ❖ Robin & Gabriel Margent
- ❖ Hanna Keselman

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

- ❖ Beverly & Gwen Orel
- ❖ Ellen Shulman & Jay Perler
- ❖ Susan & Lawrence Stern
- ❖ Miriam Linver & Matthew Askin
- ❖ Linda & Donald Lakin
- ❖ Harriet & Sheldon Greenholtz

- ❖ Nan & Howard Greenwald
- ❖ Ann, Mitch, Fred & Hayley Brown
- ❖ Roz & Jed Buck
- ❖ Lisa & David Ehrlich
- ❖ Susan & Michael Jurist
- ❖ Carol & Bob Marcus
- ❖ Deena Bernhaut
- ❖ Robin & Gabriel Margent

To Abby Kahn ~ In honor of your becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

- ❖ Roz & Jed Buck

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

- ❖ Roz & Jed Buck

To Deena Bernhaut ~ In honor of the birth of your grandson Eli Chaim.

- ❖ Ellen Shulman & Jay Perler

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

- ❖ Ellen Shulman & Jay Perler

To Linda & David Sotnick ~ In honor of Elliot becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

- ❖ Shirley & Irving Alper

To Susan & Jerry Webman ~ In honor of the marriage of your daughter Anna to Aaron Silverman.

- ❖ Sharon & Arthur Draznin & family

## Rabbi's Fund

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

- ❖ Debra & Michael Gelband
- ❖ FloEllen & Richard Maslow
- ❖ Risa & Howard Goldberg
- ❖ Robin & Gabriel Margent

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

- ❖ Debra & Michael Gelband
- ❖ Erika Maurer
- ❖ FloEllen & Richard Maslow
- ❖ Risa & Howard Goldberg
- ❖ Robin & Gabriel Margent
- ❖ Jane Vatsky

To Rabbi Bayar ~ Thank you for all your help in preparing Rachel for her Bat Mitzvah.

- ❖ Michelle & Jim Hubertus

To Rabbi Bayar ~ Thank you for all your help in preparing Will for his Bar Mitzvah.

- ❖ Amy & Marc Rosenberg

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

- ❖ Susan Schott
- ❖ Lenore & Arnold Koster
- ❖ Karen, Mickey, Aiden, Jordan & Abby Kahn
- ❖ Wendy & Myron Rosenberg



- ❖ Risa & Howard Goldberg

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

- ❖ Miriam & Phil Levine

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

- ❖ Risa & Howard Goldberg

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

- ❖ Risa & Howard Goldberg

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

- ❖ Susan Schott

### **Cantor's Music Fund**

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

- ❖ Debbie Liner & Mark Goldenthal

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

- ❖ Debbie Liner & Mark Goldenthal

To Cantor Wallach ~ Thank you for all your help in preparing Rachel for her Bat Mitzvah.

- ❖ Michelle & Jim Hubertus

To Cantor Wallach ~ Thank you for all your help in preparing Will for his Bar Mitzvah.

- ❖ Amy & Marc Rosenberg

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

- ❖ Amy & Larry Dantus

- ❖ Miriam Linver & Matthew Askin

To Sharon and Arthur Draznin ~ In honor of your 30th wedding anniversary.

- ❖ Amy & Marc Rosenberg

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

- ❖ Debbie Liner & Mark Goldenthal

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

- ❖ Debbie Liner & Mark Goldenthal

- ❖ Ann & Len Hausman

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

- ❖ Debbie Liner & Mark Goldenthal

- ❖ Amy & Marc Rosenberg

To Brenda Eisenberg ~ Thank you for all your help in preparation of our family's simcha.

- ❖ Amy & Marc Rosenberg

### **H. Gruenewald Early Childhood Center Fund**

To Deena Bernhaut ~ In honor of the birth of your grandson Eli Chaim.

- ❖ FloEllen & Richard Maslow

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

- ❖ Rochelle Baron

To Rochelle & Gary Baron ~ In honor of the birth of your grandson Lucas Eli Baron.

- ❖ Deena Bernhaut

- ❖ Robin & Gabriel Margent

### **Burk-Mendlovitz Youth Fund**

To Renee and Kopel Burk ~ In honor of your grandson Eli Alexander becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

- ❖ FloEllen and Richard Maslow

- ❖ Shirley & Irving Alper

To Henry Bloom ~ Mazel Tov in honor of your 50th birthday!

- ❖ Janet & Michael Slifer

- ❖ Renee & Kopel Burk

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

- ❖ Renee & Kopel Burk

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

- ❖ Renee & Kopel Burk

To CBI Community ~ Thank you so much for all your support during our difficult time.

- ❖ Sara Askin

### **Dr. Max Gruenewald Adult Education Fund**

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

- ❖ Judy & Art Fredman

### **Phyllis S. Magid Adult Forum Fund**

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

- ❖ Lois Dyer

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

- ❖ Manny Magid

### **Capital Campaign Fund**

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

- ❖ Elizabeth & Gerald Cohen

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

- ❖ Elizabeth & Gerald Cohen

### **Special Thank You:**

To my friends at CBI:

Thank you so much for the donations in honor of my granddaughter Mariella's Bat Mitzvah. It is greatly appreciated, especially since the synagogue made some money. Thank you again.

Love, Brenda Eisenberg

The Ehrenkranz and Port family extend heartfelt thanks for the outpouring of support and friendship through our healing following the passing of Daniel Ehrenkranz.

# Hearts and Hands

By Tracy Ferdinand and Beth Von Bevern

**O**n January 16th, Hearts and Hands was proud to host our annual day of service in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This year's activity was called "MLK Day – A Day On, Not Off." Expertly organized by Lori Katzman and Heather Adelman, CBI volunteers and their friends prepared and packed over 150 lunches, which were then donated to the Market Street Mission Shelter in Morristown. Yasher Koach to our amazing chairpeople and all who volunteered.

Seth and Lexi Abrams and Debra Nevas	The Adelman Family
Amy, Gabrielle and Hudson Alpert	Wendy, Alison and Sophie Araten
Kyle Basarab	The Dranikoffs
Sage and Olivia Ferdinand	Lisa and Abigail Goldberg
Lara, Alana and Andrea Good	Jacob and David Gutstein
Ellen, Jay, Hannah and Emma Hirsch	Julie and Jenna Israel
Sarah and Alex Jacobs and Janet Pennisi	The Kamien Family
The Katzman Family	Abby Piels
The Rekem Family	Ben, Jake and Stacey Sauberman
Aliza and Matthew Sherman	Daniel and Linda Silver
The Syslers	The Troll Family
The Tuths	Sarah Von Bevern
The Waldmans	The Zuckers

## MARCH EVENTS

**Passover Food Drive – Now through March 18th** to benefit the Bobrow Family Kosher Food Pantry at Oheb Shalom Congregation. We will be collecting **KOSHER FOR PASSOVER** food items, specifically gefilte fish, matzo ball mix, grape juice and matzo meal. Place your items in the bin outside the synagogue main office now until March 18th. While you are doing your Passover shopping please try to buy one or two extra items for the food drive. It is a really easy way to help the less fortunate celebrate and keep the Passover holiday. Also, consider participating in packing and distributing these items at the food party this month...details below.) Questions? Contact Andrea Good at [asgood@verizon.net](mailto:asgood@verizon.net).

**Purim Costume Collection – March 4th – March 18th.** Bring us your kids' gently used Purim costumes and we will give them a second life. 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 AND Jersey Cares, which helps connect volunteers with community needs throughout New Jersey. We are accepting clean costumes, in good condition, for children ages 2 – 12. Bring your donations to the **Purim Carnival** on **March 4th 10:30 am – 12:30 pm** or deposit them in the collection bin by the synagogue main office from March 4th – March 18th. Questions? Contact Beth Von Bevern at [b.vonbevern@verizon.net](mailto:b.vonbevern@verizon.net).

**Oheb Shalom Kosher Food Pantry – March 21st & March 25th.** 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, March 21st, from 7-8:30 pm and distribution is on Sunday, March 25th, 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](mailto:teferd@aol.com) or 973.376.3240 by Friday, March 16th.

## LOOKING AHEAD

**CBI HEARTS & HANDS PRESENTS: Got Mitzvah? A day of learning and mitzvot at CBI -Sunday, May 6th, 8:45 am – 3 pm.** We are in the

## Hearts and Hands

*continued from page 26*

planning stages for this much-anticipated event. With an updated format and focused programming, it promises to be a day that congregants of all ages can enjoy. Come to CBI and learn about many of the volunteer opportunities at our synagogue and in our community.

**The Bloodmobile** will be on the premises from 8:45 – noon. Representatives from many other charitable organizations will be at CBI throughout the day with information and activities for all and off site programs will be offered for later in the afternoon. We will also have the The Bloodmobile on the premises from 8:45 – noon. Details to follow.

We are looking for more people to assist with the planning and to help on May 6th, the day of the event. If you can help, please contact either member of the CBI Got Mitzvah Committee, Lori Katzman at [lakatzman@me.com](mailto:lakatzman@me.com) or Marilyn Atlas-Berney at [mabesq@verizon.net](mailto:mabesq@verizon.net)

**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. Contact Tracy at [teferd@aol.com](mailto:teferd@aol.com) or Beth at [b.vonbevern@verizon.net](mailto:b.vonbevern@verizon.net)

Beth Von Bevern & Tracy Ferdinand  
[b.vonbevern@verizon.net](mailto:b.vonbevern@verizon.net)  
[teferd@aol.com](mailto:teferd@aol.com)



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

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

Now's the time to look around your attic, basement, kids room and put aside items to donate.

Last sale we were able to raise over \$10,000. If we're going to beat that number in 2012, your help is critical with donations of cast-offs and donations of your time. We are looking for people willing to donate a little, some, or a lot of time before during and after the sale. Committee will meet after Passover. PLEASE LET US KNOW YOU CAN HELP!!!!!!

Drop-offs will begin late June or early July, look for more details in next month's bulletin.

We can't accept large items; bathroom fixtures, exercise equipment, NO mattresses, large office equipment, construction items or wall units. Contact Andrea Hirschfeld, [abh727@aol.com](mailto:abh727@aol.com) 312-497-0936 or Lois, [loiskc@gmail.com](mailto:loiskc@gmail.com) 908-251-4458 for details or questions.

## Why is this food drive different from all other food drives?



### The Four Questions

- **What? *Passover Food Drive*** –All items must be KOSHER FOR PASSOVER (looking for *gefilte fish, matzo ball mix, grape juice, matzo meal* – but all kosher for Passover donations are accepted). Donations will be brought to the kosher food pantry at Oheb Shalom.
- **Who? YOU!** Please buy one or two extra items when you are doing your Passover shopping!
- **Where?** Drop off your non-perishable items in the collection box at CBI
- **When?** Starting now, until Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup>

More Questions? Email Andrea Good, [asgood@verizon.net](mailto:asgood@verizon.net)

CBI HEARTS AND HANDS

## SAVE THE DATE!! CBI HEARTS & HANDS PRESENTS:

### got mitzvah? a day of learning and mitzvot at CBI.

**Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 8:45am – 3pm.**

CBI Blood Drive, learn about local and national charitable organizations, do mitzvot.

Details to follow and volunteers are warmly welcomed!

Contact: CBI's "Got Mitzvah?" Co-Chairs:

Lori Katzman [lakatzman@me.com](mailto:lakatzman@me.com)  
Marilyn Atlas-Berney [mabesq@verizon.net](mailto:mabesq@verizon.net)



## DO YOU NEED \$\$ FOR COLLEGE?

- INTEREST-FREE LOANS FOR UNDERGRADUATE, GRADUATE, VOCATIONAL OR TECHNICAL EDUCATION
- GRANTS FOR MEDICAL STUDIES

For more information contact:

### THE SCHOLARSHIP LOAN PROGRAM

JEWISH VOCATIONAL SERVICE OF METROWEST  
111 PROSPECT STREET, EAST ORANGE, NJ 07017  
CONTACT LYNNE ROBBINS AT (973) 674-6330, x 272

**DEADLINE: MAY 11, 2012**



JVS IS A BENEFICIARY AGENCY OF THE UNITED JEWISH COMMUNITIES OF METROWEST.  
FUNDING FOR THE MEDICAL GRANTS IS MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE SHAPIRO SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

- Essex County's only Jewish American Camp Assoc. accredited camp
- Ages: 3 1/2 years old through 10th grade
- 9:00 AM-4:00 PM, flexible weeks
- Round trip bussing on professionally driven, air conditioned, seat-belted vehicles
- American Red Cross swim instruction in 2 outdoor pools
- Trips, special events & entertainers

**Inquire Today  
About Our  
Adult & Teen  
Staff Positions**



- Hot kosher lunch & snacks provided daily
- Conveniently located in Livingston
- Beautiful outdoor campus
- Air conditioned indoor facilities
- Nurturing camp environment with diverse programming

Winter & Summer Address:

(973) 597-3699  
info@GesherFun  
www.GesherFun.org  
110 South Orange Avenue  
Livingston, NJ 07039  
Scott Lantzman, Director

**7th-8th Gr.  
Leadership  
Program...  
Register  
Today!**

# CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL

## Descriptions of Various Committees, Groups and Activities

### ADULT EDUCATION

Following a successful re-invigoration of Adult Education this past fall, we have a new set of classes starting soon. These will include Prayerbook Hebrew on Sunday mornings, Jewish Wisdom on Thursday nights, Torah Cantillation with Cantor Wallach on Sunday mornings and Rabbi Bayar's courses on Mysticism and Jewish Philosophy on Monday and Thursday mornings. We are pleased to have two new mini-courses on Sunday mornings: "Raising Ethical Jewish Children" and "How to give a short D'var Torah". And now Drum roll please: We also are beyond excited to offer a course taught by 4 different JTS faculty and open to all levels on 4 successive Thursday nights in March about Passover and how to make your Seder more meaningful: "How Has this Night Been Different from all Others?" Rabbi Bayar will lead the 5th class to wrap things up and speed us into our Passover Seders. Most of the other courses will take a break during this time to allow maximum participation. Let's Learn Together!

For Additional Info: Josh Schor at jschor@aol.com

### ADULT FORUM

Adult Forum is a warm vital social group open to people age 60 and up. Adult Forum meets twice a month for a deli lunch, once to screen a film and one time to listen, learn and enjoy a speaker, comedian, or musician. The group also takes trips in conjunction with the JCC of Central New Jersey and in the past has visited the Federal Reserve Bank, the Museum of Arts and Design, as well as the Philadelphia Flower Show. If you think you might be interested in joining Adult Forum to meet new friends and be exposed to stimulating programming, you are most welcome to come to their functions.

For Additional Info: Lois Dyer at 973-533-1809 or penzoel@comcast.net.

### BLANCHE BAYAR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL (BBRS) BOARD

CBI's Blanche Bayar Religious School provides a broad, professionally developed curriculum serving students in kindergarten through 7th grade, and a Tichon program for teens. The Education Committee serves as the school board for BBRS and is responsible for approving the curriculum. The Education Committee also works closely with the BBRS administration to develop the budget and school policy, and provides input in the areas of special programming and events. The Education Committee meets once a month.

For Additional Info: Sari Greenberg at SariEGreenberg@gmail.com.

### BLANCHE BAYAR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL (BBRS) PARENTS ASSOCIATION

The BBRS Parents Association

supports the work of the school through fundraising and the provision of hospitality and enrichment items to enhance the experience of the students at school. Parent volunteers provide treats and parental support during holiday programs, Rosh Chodesh, and special class ceremonies. The PA also organizes the Purim Carnival and provide teacher appreciation gifts. The PA serves as a liaison to the BBRS director through the efforts of the Class Parents. Through Parent Teas and Open House events the PA encourages community-building among the families in the school. The PA welcomes the participation of all parents!

For Additional Info: Lisa Ehrlich at lisa.ehrlich@comcast.net or Amy Alpert at gidamy@comcast.net.

### CATERING COMMITTEE

This new committee does not have a formal charter or meet on predetermined times. It was established to consider options for bringing in 3-5 caterers (at various price points) to act as the shul's preferred caterers, utilizing the new professional kitchen and expanded social hall. The committee is in the midst of assessing alternatives, identifying potential vendors and establishing a set of terms.

For Additional Info: Joe Glatt at JGlatt@ApolloCapital.com.

### CHANTING AND MEDITATION GROUP

Jews typically access divinity through tefilah, or prayer. Chanting and meditation, though less recognized, have also been a valid part of our tradition for at least the last 500 years, by those seeking additional pathways to God-consciousness. The Chanting and Meditation group meets under Rabbi Bayar's direction on select Sunday afternoons. Currently, Len Hausman has been "The Chant Guy" and Nancy Leaderman has been leading the meditation, with Rabbi Bayar contributing additional chants and offering commentary and 'mushals' (i.e. parables or relevant anecdotes). CBI members who wish to contribute to this group by sharing chants, niggun, meditative or spiritual practices are invited to take a leadership role, or simply come and participate.

For Additional Info: Clergy Office at celestej@cbi-nj.org.

### GALA COMMITTEE

This year's gala will be held on March 17 and, for the first time, right here in our own building! Appropriately named, the "Raise the Roof Celebration," we will be celebrating the end of the construction period and the following honorees: Michael and Nancy Weinstein, Carol and Bob Marcus, and Rochelle Baron, who has been director of the pre-school for 18 years. There are many opportunities to become involved and please consider sponsoring a table and contributing to the ad journal.

For Additional Info: Debbie Fox or Sydra Miller.

### HEDWIG GRUENEWALD EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER (HGECC) PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Our active HGECC Parents Association provides an important link between parents and the preschool. Both working and non-working parents get involved, helping to enrich our community. Parent volunteers organize a variety of activities, including a vendor sale and book fair at Chanukah time, fundraising for the Early Childhood Center through our biennial Art Auction and new Casino night, an End of Year Picnic, Parent Social and various other Jewish holiday programs throughout the year. The key to success for all PA-sponsored projects and events is parental involvement. Whether a parent has one hour to give once during the school year or several hours each month, we welcome their help and input. Wondering how to get involved or have a great idea? Join us at our next PA Meeting.

For Additional Info: Lenette Talpins at LTalpins@yahoo.com or Lisa Karch Goldberg at lisakarch77@gmail.com.

### HEARTS AND HANDS

One of CBI's most active committees, Hearts and Hands is the social action arm of the synagogue. Each month H&H coordinates several opportunities for congregants to make a difference in our community through fun and inspiring events. Additional details can be found in the Bulletin, CBI's weekly email announcements, posted on the synagogue bulletin boards and through H&H direct email.

Since September we have coordinated the following activities: McRoberts backpack food drive, apple picking at Wightman's Farms with the apples donated to the Morristown Food Pantry, Interfaith Community Outreach Fall cleanup at St. Stephens Church in Millburn, Bridges Pack and Run, Toy Drive for Valerie Fund, Early Reader Book Drive for McRoberts Elementary School, hosted families at Morrow Church on Christmas Eve and Day with the Interfaith Hospitality Network, and MLK Day On (not off) benefiting the Market Street Mission. Additionally each month a group of CBI members helps out at the Oheb Shalom Food Pantry.

Hearts & Hands also coordinates the annual synagogue-wide Mitzvahthon, which this year is scheduled for May 6th.

For Additional Info: Tracy Ferdinand at teferd@aol.com or Beth Von Bevern at b.vonbevern@verizon.net.

### ISRAEL AFFAIRS

The only CBI committee that is "All Israel, All the Time," the Israel Affairs Committee provides Israel

related programming and information across multiple platforms, including education, advocacy, cultural enrichment in the synagogue, financial support, travel, volunteer opportunities in Israel, and youth programs. The committee works to promote the activities of regional, national, and international organizations which support Israel in tremendous ways.

Examples of Israel programming promoted by the committee are the Sar El program (see below), Men's Club book club, Israel Bonds, and the Peoplehood project and other UJC sponsored programs. The Israel Affairs Committee is wrapping up a five-part series of educational films sponsored by the Community Relations Committee Called Step Up for Israel.

The event of highest importance to Israel Affairs is the annual AIPAC Policy Conference, which this year will be March 4-6th. Scholarships are available to first time attendees of the conference. This event brings in speakers who are the top political, military, and intellectual leaders on Israeli strategic matters. It also brings in the top leadership of Israel and the United States to present their views on the most important Israel-America relationship issues.

For Additional Info: Joe Tenenbaum at Tenenbaum@aol.com.

### JOURNEYERS' MINYAN

The Saturday Journeyers' Minyan meets approximately twice a month (schedule varies depending on holidays, etc.), from 10:45-Noon. The group is led by a different member each week and represents an alternative Shabbat experience to the service held in the main sanctuary. The leader chooses the topic to be discussed; topics vary from discussion of the current parsha, various holidays and traditions, Israel issues, or any topic related to Judaism that the leader wants to explore. Some subjects explored in the past (and future) are the Book of Ruth, characters in the Bible, Passover traditions, the meanings of prayers and psalms, the Yiska service and the Mourners Kaddish. Let's learn together on Shabbat!

For Additional Info: Steve Chizzik at steve@theverrazanogroup.com.

### McROBERTS, KENTUCKY PARTNERSHIP

For the past three years, CBI has been a presence in McRoberts, Kentucky, in the heart of Appalachia. We have provided food, clothing housewares and helped repair homes in this remote area of eastern Kentucky. Our religious school, B'nai Mitzvah and Hearts and Hands committee have sponsored drives to provide books, shoes and support for the elementary school there. It is our goal to continue our presence and continue to support a community that has been all but forgotten - so that

they know that there are those who care about them.

**For Additional Info: Clergy Office at celestej@cbi-nj.org.**

#### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Membership Committee promotes membership in the congregation through phone calls and ongoing contact with prospective members, welcoming new members and addressing any membership concerns regarding retention. The Membership Committee hosts several events throughout the year: New and prospective member breakfast at the Rabbi's home, Shabbat dinners at CBI, and partners on larger synagogue events such as the winter and summer open houses. The Membership Committee would love to hear from anyone with interest in this committee.

**For Additional Info:** Linda Silver at lssilver@verizon.net

#### MEN'S CLUB

Men's Club is one of the pillars of the CBI community offering a wide variety of programs that add to the vibrancy of the congregation and providing our members with numerous opportunities to connect with each other and with the broader community. A sample of activities and events that have been sponsored by Men's Club include:

- Health Forum
- CBI Military Veterans Program
- Chanukah Dinner Dance and Man-of-the-Year Celebration
- Men's Club Shabbat.
- Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle Program
- Basketball in the fall and winter – Sun mornings and Wed evenings; all are welcome
- Softball team in the spring that competes against other synagogues
- Book Club that meets regularly

Throughout the year, Men's Club works closely with the Hebrew School, sponsoring the siddurim presented to each third grade students, teaching the pre B'nai Mitzvah students how to wrap tefillin, and sponsoring a year-end pizza party, as well as an academic excellence award for one of the graduating students.

If you are not already a member of Men's Club, we would be thrilled to welcome you to our ranks.

**For Additional Info: Bob Brauer at brauer\_r@yahoo.com.**

#### MORNING MINYAN BREAKFAST CLUB

Start your morning with a smile! How do bagels and lox sound? How about challah French toast, eggs made to order, waffles or even fresh synagogue-baked blueberry muffins? They're all yours, plus interesting conversation, for just \$2. All you have to do is attend CBI's morning minyan! We welcome anyone who can find time in the morning to pray, roughly 45 minutes, and then join us for breakfast. Minyan is typically around 7:10 each morning but check the Bulletin or weekly email for exact times for each day of the week. We also do a special breakfast that you

can order for any occasion you want to celebrate or remember. All the monies collected from the regular or special breakfasts, go back to the Synagogue

**For Additional Info: Howard Greenwald at 973-763-0414.**

#### PUBLICITY & COMMUNICATIONS TASK FORCE

This committee has been recently revitalized and is currently working on the following projects: Redesign of a new website for Congregation B'nai Israel; reimagining of email communications; review of print correspondence; establishment of guidelines for publicity outreach; overall identity/image/branding of Congregation B'nai Israel. Towards this end, our objectives are as follows:

- Communicate effectively, warmly and concisely with members about services and programs available at CBI.
- Convey overall feeling of community and emphasize that members can rely on CBI as a supporting group of congregants.
- Increase event attendance.
- Maximize administrative resources most effectively.

We are looking for interested congregants with skills and experience in the following areas: website design, graphic design, social media, branding/marketing, publicity and communications.

**For Additional Info: David Good at dfgood@verizon.net.**

#### RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The Religious Affairs Committee assists the Rabbi and Cantor in maintaining religious life at CBI. Its duties include:

- Maintaining decorum in the sanctuary, including making sure there are ushers throughout the year
- Maintaining our prayer books and tallitot
- Assigning skill honors (torah and haftarah reading) for the high holidays
- Supporting our daily minyan
- Sponsoring religious education for adult members
- Discussing changes in religious practices at CBI

The committee meets about once per month, usually on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

**For Additional Info: Jamey Potechin at cbicbi@potechin.org.**

#### SAR EL

Participation in Sar El, an acronym for Service to Israel, is a privilege enjoyed by Jews and some non-Jews since 1982 from 30 nations. The group shares a special energy, camaraderie, and ruach with Sar El volunteers and soldiers on an Israeli army base. Experiencing Israel from inside a military post while performing duties to augment the IDF, provide a lasting impression of Israel's guardians, its' military. This past December, five volunteers from CBI served for a week on a base near Tel Aviv, but locations trip to trip may vary. A 2012 trip is under discussion!

**For Additional Info: Art Fredman at**

**judyart18@aol.com.**

#### SISTERHOOD

CBI Sisterhood is an intergenerational women's group whose mission is to support the congregation in a variety of ways. We provide educational, spiritual and social opportunities, such as our monthly Rosh Chodesh discussion group, book reviews, Sisterhood Shabbat and our Membership Kick off dinner.

Through our fundraisers, including the honey and kippot sales, kiddushes and synagogue gift shop we were able to generously support the capital campaign. In addition Sisterhood provides the Early Childhood Center with family programs and Hanukkah gifts, as well as providing support to the Religious school, including a chesed (kindness) award to a member of the graduating class. Sisterhood also presents gifts to our B'nai Mitzvah and helps their families navigate their simcha. Sisterhood often partners with other arms of the synagogue to sponsor speakers and programs.

We welcome women of all ages to:

- Have fun and develop life-long friendships
- Learn and grow in a warm and welcoming atmosphere
- Share and nurture our skills and experiences

**For Additional Info: Paula Touger at pdtouger@aol.com.**

#### STRATEGIC PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE (SPaIC)

SPaIC (pronounced "space") is the Strategic Planning and Implementation Committee. It is the umbrella committee of 4 main subcommittees:

Building Subcommittee  
Capital Campaign Subcommittee  
Communications Subcommittee  
Financial Oversight Committee

During the past five years, well over 100 people participated in the enormous number of activities to plan, design, and build the marvelous enhancement of the structure now enjoy. (SPaIC does not host any events, but they do meet a lot!)

As the building renovation winds down, SPaIC committee activities are likely to slow down as well. While SPaIC will continue to oversee the completion of construction and financing, many responsibilities will move to standing committees of the synagogue. Jonathan Engel, CBI President, is working to set up a new Building Committee to take on the house responsibilities. And that is where new energy will be needed!

**For Additional Info: Jonathan Engel at engeljw@gmail.com.**

#### YALDEINU SHABBAT SERVICE

The Inclusion Committee promotes the opportunity for full inclusion and participation of all people, regardless of physical, cognitive, emotional or behavioral ability, in all areas of Congregation B'nai Israel's religious

and communal life. Our vision is a community where all members share a sense of dignity, empathy and togetherness, and where inclusion is the basis around which our congregation activities are centered. We strive to accommodate and appreciate individual differences so that all members of our congregation can participate together in Torah study, prayer and acts of loving kindness.

The Shabbat Yaldeinu Service is held monthly for children and young adults with special needs. It is a 45 minute service on Saturday morning led by a special needs educator. We use a special prayer book and the children are encouraged not only to participate but to lead as well when they can. The service is held in the Chapel and there is a Torah service. Children over the age of 13 have the experience of being called up for an aliyah. It is a warm, nurturing, supportive environment for the children and their families.

**For Additional Info: Clergy Office at celestej@cbi-nj.org.**

#### YOUTH COMMITTEE

Young people flourish at Congregation B'nai Israel, inside and outside the synagogue. Our kids benefit from a wealth of extra-curricular activities and are constantly forced to make choices about where to spend their time. The goal of the CBI youth groups is to provide Jewish experiences that are so fun and rewarding that the kids will choose to include them into their already-packed schedules. By doing so, we will truly integrate our children into the greater CBI community. It's called Informal Jewish Education, but the kids know it has nothing to do with school. Under the guidance of adult advisors, even the most secular activities can reinforce Jewish values and Conservative Jewish practice. We call it "Team Youth" – the Chaverim, Kadima and Millburn USY youth groups! Congregation B'nai Israel youth groups are open to all Jewish children in fourth through twelfth grade. Programming includes social, recreational, religious and cultural activities in an informal, age appropriate setting. The ultimate goal, of course, is to provide the maximum number of opportunities for our kids to be with other Jewish kids.

The Youth Committee serves in an advisory capacity to the Board of Trustees of Congregation B'nai Israel regarding youth group policies, while also providing guidance to and oversight of the professional advisors who lead each of our three groups. Under the guidance of Marla Parnes (USY) and Aly Greenstein (Chaverim and Kadima), youth programming in recent years has experienced continued growth in the number of participants and, more importantly, by the tremendous fun, passion and friendship that are the hallmarks of our youth groups. The CBI youth groups are separate and distinct from the Blanche Bayar Religious School.

**For Additional Info: David Good at dfgood@verizon.net.**

## CBI Committee Rosters 1/10/12

### Religious Affairs

Jamey Potechin, Chair  
Mark Goldenthal  
Brad Schenerman  
Steve Chizzik  
David Ehrlich  
Elynn Finston  
Helaine Ettinger  
Gabriel Margent  
Ilisa Perlman  
Janet Slifer  
Kopel Burk  
Matt Askin  
Brenda Eisenberg

### Adult Ed

Josh SchorChair  
James Potechin  
Ted Sherman  
Gwen Orel  
Allen Rauch  
Herman Wurgaft  
Michelle Barnea  
Matt Seiden  
Fran Melton  
Kopel Burk  
Nancy Weinstein  
Charlotte Wernick  
Steve Friedman

### Membership

Linda Silver, Chair  
Robin Polson  
Steve Brown  
Steve Chizzik  
Tanya Helfand  
Amy Alpert  
Debby Sinins  
Stacy Thompson  
Stacy Merkel  
Joan Merdinger  
Lori Pitkowski

### Adult Forum

Lois Dyer, Chair  
Shirley and Irv Alper  
Ralph Berkowitz  
Roslyn and Barnett  
Epstein  
Emanuel Magid  
Beverly Orel  
Ethel Rosenfeld  
Marcia Gabbe  
Bernice Luxembourg

### Israel Affairs

Joe Tennenbaum, Chair  
Janet Slifer  
Nancy Tennenbaum  
Tanya Helfand  
Meryl Griff

### SPaIC

Steve Brown  
Nan Greenwald  
David Touger  
Andrea Levine  
Elizabeth Cohen  
Phil Darivoff  
Ilisa Perlman  
David Sotnick  
Adam Katzman  
Brett Cohen  
Josh Jacobs

### Sisterhood Board

Paula Touger, President  
Karen Tucker  
Debbie Liner  
Wendi Weill  
Jill Kimmelman  
Jennifer Glick  
Helene Moehlman  
Susan Stern  
Laurie Schwartz  
Lois Kleiner  
Sandy Panzer  
Rozlyn Engel  
Michelle Barnea  
Lilli Finkler  
Lisa Ehrlich  
Leslie McCafferty  
Judy Beneroff  
Janet Slifer

### Men's Club Board

Henry Bloom, President  
Bob Brauer  
Henry Brendzel  
Kopel Burk  
Nahum Burstein  
Steve Chizzik  
Daniel Dovdavany  
David Ehrlich  
Howard Greenwald  
Michael Jurist  
Phil Levine  
Gabriel Margent  
Ed Nadel  
Bruce Novick  
Jay Perler  
Dan Richter  
Craig Rothman  
Josh Schor

### Cemetery

Ed SilvermanChair

### Gala

Debbie Fox, Chair  
Sydra Miller, co-chair  
Josh Jacobs  
Karen Jacobs  
Orli Almog  
Lenette Talpins  
Mariela Dybner  
David Touger  
Ilisa Perlman tables

### Publicity

David Good, Chair  
Susan Steinberg  
Leslie McCafferty  
Elizabeth Cohen  
Carrie Gottlieb  
Barbara Brown  
Alia Ramer

### Catering Committee

Joe Glatt, Chair  
David Ehrlich  
Brenda Eisenberg  
Paula Touger  
Daniel Ramer

### BBSR

Sari Greenberg, Chair  
Heather Adelman  
Helene Moehlman  
Marcy Lefkowitz  
Lori Nacht

### Youth

David Good, Chair  
Michelle Daniel  
Alia Ramer  
Heidi Cohen  
Rich Jacobs  
Roz Engel

### Finance

Josh Jacobs, Chair  
Adam Katzman  
David Ehrlich

### Hearts and Hands

Tracy Ferdinand, co-chair  
Beth von Bevern, co-chair



SDI

## Sharon R. Draznin, ASID

Interior Design  
9 Oakland Road  
Short Hills, NJ 07078  
973 912 9408 Fax 973 912 0387

Email SRDdesigns@aol.com  
www.SharonDrazninInteriors.com

## Seng Couture

BRIDAL • EVENING • COCKTAIL • PROM/BAT MITZVAH

**10% OFF**

- No Over-Size Charge
- Free Custom Modification

**ILLIANA COLLECTION ONLY**

Complimentary Alteration with Any Purchase

\*Cannot combine with any other offer\*  
Expires 6/30/12

226 South Avenue • Fanwood, NJ 07023

908-322-8700

(Directly across from the train station)

www.sengcouture.com

*Seng Couture will  
make a donation to the  
temple in honor of the  
purchaser*

Gown by Illiana  
Collection

## Don't Blame the Teacher!

**The Myth:** It's the Teacher's fault when a child fails to succeed in School.

**The Facts:** 80% of Learning Issues are due to weak cognitive skills - skills like attention, memory, auditory or visual processing skills.

**The Fix:** LearningRx One-to-One training **WORKS** by correcting the underlying cognitive skills that cause learning, reading, math and behavior difficulties. We can help your child unlock their true potential in school and in life.

**LearningRx**  
train the brain, get smarter. guaranteed.

For a FREE Consultation Call or Visit Our Website  
**973-376-4646 • LearningRx.com/short-hills**

636 Morris Turnpike Suite 1B Short Hills, NJ 070978  
2 Northfield Rd. Suite 207 Livingston, NJ 07932  
52 Upper Montclair Rd. Montclair, NJ 07043

## AFFORDABLE COMPUTER AID!

Curt's Computer Intelligence Resource

**Curtis Renkin**

Technician and MOUE-Certified Tutor

(973) 379-7253

signsman87@hotmail.com

## bookBgone . . .

We recycle, reuse, donate - Books CDs DVDs  
Call or Email for info on FREE pickup

Essex/Morris/Union County

Book Removal Service

908-912-6652 908-91-BookB

**bookBgone@gmail.com**

## Bart Gorin

*photography*

**201 704 1631**

**bartgorin.com**



WASSERMAN REALTY GROUP  
LLC

**Evan Wasserman, President**

Licensed Broker - NJ & NY

303 Millburn Avenue

973-723-6700

Millburn, NJ 07041

evanwasserman@hotmail.com

*Expertise in all your real estate transactions*

**10% OF MY COMMISSION WILL BE DONATED TO CBI  
ON ALL BUSINESS GENERATED FROM THIS AD**



**Roni Wald Chasin**  
Sales Associate  
Certified Luxury Homes Marketing Specialist



488 Springfield Avenue  
Summit, NJ 07901  
Cell: 973-202-2591  
Office: 973-376-0033x136  
Fax: 973-376-1088  
Email: [rwchasin@aol.com](mailto:rwchasin@aol.com)

Each office is independently owned & operated

[www.chasinhomes.com](http://www.chasinhomes.com)

**Just pros.**



**Meadowbrook  
Country Day Camp**

*Sunshine and Smiles...Summers at Meadowbrook!*

Roz & Jed Buck  
Owners/Directors

(908) 876-3429  
[www.meadowbrookdaycamp.com](http://www.meadowbrookdaycamp.com)

**Millburn  
Veterinary Hospital  
&  
Laser Surgery Center**

Aaron Glauberg, D.V.M.

147 Millburn Avenue • Millburn, New Jersey 07041  
(973) 467-1700

**BUNCHERS HARDWARE  
MAPLEWOOD LOCK AND KEY**

Hardware  
Locksmith Service  
Windows Repaired  
Handyman Service

**320 Millburn Avenue  
Millburn, NJ 07041**

**Phone: 973-376-0776  
Phone: 973-763-3092**

*Exquisite  
Affairs  
Caterers*

**NOW AVAILABLE FOR  
KOSHER & GLATT  
OFF PREMISES CATERING**

*Donald Bernstein*

*Joseph Leschen*

**Exclusive Caterers at:**  
**Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael**  
60 Temple Dr.  
Springfield, NJ 07081

(973) 258-0655 FAX (973) 258-0334  
[www.exquisite-affairs.com](http://www.exquisite-affairs.com)  
[exqaffair@gmail.com](mailto:exqaffair@gmail.com)

**EMPIRE MEDICAL ASSOCIATES, P.C.**

*Endocrinology  
Diabetes and Metabolism*

**Dina S. Prus, M.D., F.A.C.E.**

Hours by appointment at:

☐ 50 Newark Avenue, Suite 101  
Belleville, NJ 07109

☐ 264 Boyden Avenue  
Maplewood, NJ 07040

Phone 973-759-1221  
Fax 973-759-1997

Phone 973-761-5200  
Fax 973-761-7617

**J.L. Apter Memorial Chapels**

Jason L. Apter, Manager • NJ Lic. No. 3650



**A NON PROFIT JEWISH FUNERAL HOME**

The same dignified full service at greatly reduced prices.

*In the Apter Family Tradition Since 1902*

**SERVICES FROM \$4695\***  
Graveside, Synagogue or at our Chapel

**Donating \$500 to Congregation B'nai Israel from each funeral**

RESTRICTIONS APPLY

**Pre-arrangement services available in your home**

2122 Millburn Avenue • Maplewood, NJ  
**973.376.2600 • 877.278.3765**

\*Graveside/SOP package includes professional charges, preparation, and local transportation. Does not include casket, vault, shroud and cash disbursements such as cemetery fees, death certificates, gratuities. Request our general price list. Call for details.

**Rich Kantor**

125 Park Avenue  
Madison, NJ 07940  
(973) 377-8990  
Fax (973) 377-8995

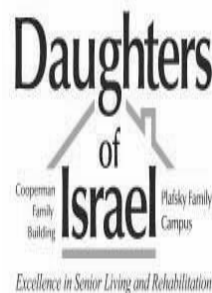
317 South Avenue West  
Westfield, NJ 07090  
(908) 789-8600  
Fax (908) 789-8609

RichLFH@verizon.net

**LivingFreeHOME**

Stairlifts • Ramps • Barrier Free Bath •  
Liftchairs • Vehicle Modification  
[www.LivingFreeHome.com](http://www.LivingFreeHome.com)

**HEMOCARE** ★ **AMERICA**  
Healthcare Products for Every Physical Need



Skilled Nursing ♦ Alzheimer's Special Care Unit  
New Short-Term & Long-Term Rehabilitation Unit  
Hospice Care ♦ Senior Housing with Assistance

1155 Pleasant Valley Way, West Orange, NJ 07052

Call for a Tour Today: 973-400-3307

[www.doigc.org](http://www.doigc.org)

**Private Tutoring  
SAT/ACT Preparation  
Also: All Subjects/All Grades  
Mr. Richman  
Veteran Teacher: Columbia HS  
[Richteach3@aol.com](mailto:Richteach3@aol.com)  
973-489-6113**

[www.mikeslifervideo.com](http://www.mikeslifervideo.com)

[mike@mikeslifervideo.com](mailto:mike@mikeslifervideo.com)

**Mike Slifer Video**

(973) 379-7799

Weddings • Bar/Mat Mitzvahs  
Photomontages • Family Histories

Mike Slifer  
1 River Lane  
Millburn, NJ 07041



**Merit Scholarships Now Available!**

Golda Och Academy (formerly Solomon Schechter Day School of Essex and Union) is pleased to announce the Golda Och Scholar Merit Scholarship Program for students entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade! Current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and new students are eligible for the Scholarships.

For more information regarding this exciting new opportunity, please contact the Admission Office at 973-602-3601 or [admissions@GoldaOchAcademy.org](mailto:admissions@GoldaOchAcademy.org).

[www.GoldaOchAcademy.org](http://www.GoldaOchAcademy.org)

**THE HEART GROUP, P.A.**

161 Millburn Avenue  
Millburn, NJ 07041  
Tel 973-467-4220  
Fax 973-467-0918

654 Broadway  
Bayonne, NJ 07002  
Tel 201-243-9999  
Fax 201-243-9998

[www.heartgroup.org](http://www.heartgroup.org)

KENNETH B. GANTZ, M.D.

FRED M. AUERON, M.D.

ROBERT H. CHARNEY, M.D.

ROY B. SAUBERMAN, M.D.

SUSAN L. SIMANDL, M.D.

**DIANA BENSOUL**

*Music Studio*



22 Sunset Drive  
Millburn, NJ 07041



**(973) 763-1444**

MM Manhattan School of Music / NJ Certified

**CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL**  
160 MILLBURN AVENUE  
MILLBURN, NEW JERSEY 07041  
(973) 379-3811 • [WWW.CBI-NJ.ORG](http://WWW.CBI-NJ.ORG)

Non-Profit Org.  
U.S. POSTAGE  
**PAID**  
Permit# 417  
Union, NJ

Return Service Requested



Congregation  
**B'NAI  
ISRAEL**

Honoring our Legacy, Building our Future

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.

**Congregation B'nai Israel (973) 379-3811**

Steven Bayar, Rabbi  
Lorna Wallach, Cantor  
Jane Young, Executive Director

**Education**

Janice Colmar, Education Director  
Rochelle Baron, Director, Early Childhood Center

**Youth Programming**

USY - Marla Parnes  
Chaverim & Kadima - Aly Greenstein

**Officers**

Jonathan Engel, President  
Linda Sotnick, 1st Vice President  
Brad Schenerman, 2nd Vice President  
David Good, 3rd Vice President  
Andrea Hirschfeld, Recording Secretary  
Josh Jacobs, Financial Secretary  
David Ehrlich, Treasurer