

The Bulletin



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Congregation B'nai Israel, Elizabeth, NJ - Affiliated 1992

December, 2013

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Shabbat Services

Kabbalat Shabbat	8:15 pm
Shabbat Morning	9:00 am
Tefilot Yeladim (Grades 3-6)	10:15 am
Tefilot Ketanim (K-2)	10:30 am
Tot Shabbat (Preschool)	10:30 am
Shabbat Journeers Minyan (12/7 & 12/21)	10:45 am
Yaldeinu (12/7)	11:15 am

Candle Lighting

December 6	4:12 pm
December 13	4:12 pm
December 20	4:14 pm
December 27	4:18 pm
January 3	4:24 pm

Mincha/Havdallah

December 7	4:27 pm/5:27 pm
December 14	4:27 pm/5:27 pm
December 21	4:29 pm/5:29 pm
December 28	4:33 pm/5:33 pm
January 4	4:39 pm/5:39 pm

Minyan Rotation

Eichler – Feins	Dec. 1 – Dec. 7
Feldman – Freeman	Dec. 8 – Dec. 14
Fried – Gershman	Dec. 15 – Dec. 21
Gersho – Gouss	Dec. 22 – Dec. 28
Grabiner – Halpren	Dec. 29 – Jan. 4

Mi Sheberach

One of the least known liturgical functions of a congregation involves the “Mi Shebarach,” the prayer asking God to heal those who are ill. Congregation B’nai Israel has a “Mi Shebarach” list that is read at services on Monday, Thursday and Shabbat mornings.

We ask members of the congregation to inform us of those they would like placed on the list. If there is anyone you feel would benefit from these weekly prayers, please contact Rabbi Bayar by phone (973-379-3811) or email (cbirabbi@cbi-nj.org) with the name.

FROM THE RABBI’S DEN

By Rabbi Steven Bayar

Within our tradition stories are paradigms for action and belief. This Chassidic story, retold by Martin Buber, teaches about personal responsibility and action:



A woman came to Rabbi Israel, the Maggid of Koznitz, and told him with many tears, that she had been married a dozen years and still had not borne a child.

“What are you willing to do about it?” he asked her. She did not know what to say.

“My mother,” so the Maggid told her, “was aging and still had not child.” Then she heard that the holy Baal Shem Tov was stopping over in Apt in the course of a journey. She hurried to his inn and begged him to pray she might bear a son.

“What are you willing to do about it?” he asked?

“My husband is a poor book-binder,” she replied, “but I do have one fine thing that I shall give to the rabbi.”

She went home as fast as she could and fetched her good cape, her Katinka, which was carefully stowed away in a chest. But when she returned to the inn with it, she heard that the Baal Shem ha already left for Mezbizh. She immediately set out after him and since she had no money to ride, she walked from town to town with her Katinka until she came to Mezbizh.

The Baal Shem took the cape and hung it on the wall.

“It is well,” he said.

My mother walked all the way back, from town to town, until she reached Apt. A year later, I was born.

“I too,” cried the woman, “will bring you a cape of mine so that I may get a son.”

“That won’t work,” said the Maggid. “You heard the story. My mother had no story to go by.”

At this time of year, when we make our secular New Year resolutions - may we all find our own “story” to receive what we most need.

Steven Bayar



To contact Rabbi Bayar, email him at cbirabbi@cbi-nj.org





The CBI Gala Celebration

Mark your calendars for
Saturday, February 8th, 2014

Honorees:

**Nan & Howard Greenwald
Neil Yaris
Paula & David Touger**

***Presenting our 1st
Emerging Leader Award
to:***

Lisa & Corey Biller

We welcome additional members to our planning committee. If you would like to help plan a wonderful evening, please contact a member of the committee below or email cbigala@cbi-nj.org

GALA COMMITTEE

Elizabeth Cohen (Co-Chair)	Sydra Miller
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Boaz Kimelman	Michael Weinstein
Miriam Linver	Judy Weiss
Carol Marcus (Co-Chair)	Jane Yaris



In The Community

Condolences to:

Lisa Ehrlich on the passing of her beloved grandfather, Emanuel Feder.

The Welt Family on the passing of Rachel Welt. Rachel Welt was a long-time member of the Elizabeth and Millburn B'nai Israel Community.

Refuah Shleima to:

Brenda Eisenberg, Tirza Freeman, Jeffrey Gelband, Celeste Johnson, Paul Klein, Ginny Panzer, Rosalie Rubin, and Cantor Lorna Wallach.

Welcome to new members Matt and Liz Goldberg and their family!

With appreciation for all the get well wishes from everyone! It has helped so much with my recovery, see you soon! Celeste Johnson.

President's Message

By Linda Sotnick, CBI President

When you receive this bulletin, the lights of Chanukah will be burning bright. On Sunday, December 8th, come out and celebrate the holiday together at the Men's Club Annual Chanukah Dinner Dance. This year's Men's Club honoree is Michael Jurist. We will hear more about Michael during the party, but I want to share my personal gratitude to Michael for all he contributes to us at CBI. Michael is deeply committed to this congregation and he, his wife Susan along with their children, Julia, Marielle and Nicole have been a regular presence at CBI. Michael is not only an active Men's Club member, he is also a past vice president of CBI's board of trustees. He regularly organizes CBI's participation in the Israel Day parade and is an active member of our facilities committee. Michael worked tirelessly on our SPAIC committee, providing his engineering expertise to our building project. Michael is amongst a group of individuals who devoted years of their time to make CBI what it is today. The Chanukah party is always a really fun soiree, so come out to honor Michael, dance, enjoy festive holiday dining and musical entertainment.



Several days later, on Friday evening December 13, we'll keep the pride and fun going to mark a successful week of hosting families in need of transitional housing. Many thanks to Tracy Ferdinand who chaired this remarkable effort along with hardworking committee members Amy Albert, Barbara Brown, Risa Goldberg, Tina Goldstone, Elaine Katzman, Kim and Robert Krauss, Dr. Michael Solomon (our volunteer on-call Doctor), Neally Troll, Beth Von Bevern and over 100 CBI volunteers! On December 13, we will gather together for a special IHN Volunteer Appreciation Oneg, following Friday evening Shabbat services. This will be a wonderful evening to join together and add encouragement and motivation to continued acts of kindness and tikkun olam.

Continuing with the *nachas* and joy, I am so pleased to write about CBI being the recipient of a recent award. To mark this year's United Synagogue Centennial, United Synagogue presented special awards during the centennial convention. Congregation B'nai Israel was *one of three winners*,

out of 175 applications, of the **Centennial Schechter Hesed Award**. This award specifically recognized CBI's four years of work and establishment of a presence in helping the community of McRoberts, Kentucky. Rabbi Bayar and past CBI president, Naomi Eisenberger initiated and sustained this wonderful effort along with so many of you! Yasher Koach to Rabbi Bayar, Naomi and everyone who travelled to or made donations to help the McRoberts community. This relationship is ongoing and another trip is planned for late spring or early summer. We also plan to have a special celebration, most likely in April, marking our continued involvement with McRoberts. Stay tuned in future announcements regarding these plans as well as informational sessions for the next trip.

At Congregation B'nai Israel, we have much to celebrate. We are a community who cares, about each other and about the world. Looking forward to celebrating with you on December 8th and December 13th!

Linda Sotnick



To contact Linda Sotnick,
email her at cbipresident@cbi-nj.org





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Bronze Plaque \$2,000

To order any from above, please contact the Front Office at (973) 379-3811.



CBI Chanting Circle

Join us in the Chapel **Sunday, December 8th, at 5PM** for an hour of inspirational Hebrew chant and song with musical accompaniment.

Our chants this month will be on the theme of Light, as we approach tekufat Tevet, the winter solstice.

Be prepared to sing your heart open and let your spirit soar! No prior knowledge of Hebrew necessary . . . only a willingness to explore spiritual community.

HEDWIG GRUENEWALD EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

By Rochelle Baron, Director

"Than-u-kah" was celebrated in many ways and was truly memorable—how meaningful to have the two holidays overlap this year! We enjoyed a Thanksgiving pow-wow with all the crafts and yummy foods and then jumped in to Hanukkah with songs, more food and projects. Hanukkah parties will be held on Wednesday, December 4 and Thursday, December 5. !



Our after-school activities continue to be enjoyed by our little friends. It is wonderful to hear them yell "Yes sir!" at Tae Kwon Do and run around chasing a soccer ball during the "Happy Feet" class. The riotous sounds from "Sports with Coach Rick" exemplify how much fun they are having with learning basketball, baseball and other sports. "Hippity Hop Dancing" is turning a group into real accomplished dancers—all so cute to see!

HGECC is hosting an Open House on December 11 from 9:30 to 11:00am for prospective families. If you know of anyone who has young children and is shopping for a preschool please pass the word on to them.

Registration for Summer Camp 2014 and Fall 2014 begins in January. Changes have been made to the program offerings for two year olds both for camp and the school year, offering more days with longer sessions. Synagogue members have first priority. If you want further information or would like to arrange a visit to our school, please contact the HGECC office.

Happy Hanukkah!

Rochelle Baron



To contact Rochelle Baron,
email her at HGECC@cbi-nj.org



Olive Press



Preschool Open House

Voted #1 preschool in Millburn Patch poll
Come and learn about our programs for 2014!

Wednesday, December 11, 2013
9:30am to 11:00am

160 Millburn Avenue Millburn, NJ 07041
973-379-4040 www.cbi-nj.org

BLANCHE BAYAR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

By Janice Colmar, CBI Education Director

Highlights from November

Kabbalat Yeladaynu

Yasher Koach to our Gan students who celebrated their start of their formal Jewish education at Kabbalat Yeladaynu on Sunday, November 24. The students demonstrated their knowledge of Hanukkah and their love for the Torah. Thank you to Morah Ilana and Morah Sandy who prepared them for their celebration. Mazal Tov to Theodore Dybner, Miles Dybner, Eric Hilzenrath, Isabel Jaffe, Samuel Kanarek and Alyssa Benbassat.



Bayit Update

November saw the first ever school Bracha Bee. Each Bayit spent part of their meeting time learning the various

brachot that we say when we eat and do things (like seeing a rainbow). From there a most knowledgeable member of each team was chosen. Stay tuned to find out who in the school is the Master of Brachot!

Looking forward to December

Once a year, we invite the parents of our school to join their children in school. On Sunday, December 15, parents and children will study together; learning from each other and from our amazing school staff. This is also a great opportunity for our parents to meet our teachers in person.

Please check out our blog at <https://bbrslearning.wordpress.com/> for a daily update on our learning.

Janice Colmar



IHN Recognition Oneg Friday, December 13



Kabbalat Shabbat at 8:15 p.m.

Join us as we recognize all the leaders, coordinators, donors and volunteers who made our first year of hosting families as part of the **Interfaith Hospitality Network** such a wonderful, rewarding and meaningful experience for our CBI community.



Coming this Spring...
McRoberts, KY 2014 Trip Kickoff & Recognition Oneg

BAR MITZVAH

Ethan Steinberg December 7



Ethan Steinberg is a seventh grader at Millburn Middle School. He loves to hang out with his friends and play sports. Ethan plays baseball and tennis, both with his family and friends. A big part of his life is the New York Mets. Ethan is an avid Mets fan. He enjoys going to their games, watching them on TV, and learning about them. For his Mitzvah Project, Ethan is taking part in an organization called Remember Us. For participating in the organization, Ethan was given a name of a child who died in the Holocaust. He will learn about the child, say Kaddish, and light a Yahrzeit candle for him every year.

Ethan would like to thank his parents, Susan and Alan, and his sister, Sara, for their ongoing support in preparation for his Bar Mitzvah. He would also like to thank his tutors, Pam Slifer, Paula Tauger and Cantor Wallach for their teachings and support throughout the process of becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

First Friday @ CBI

6:00 – 6:30 p.m.



Join us for our monthly “First Friday @ CBI” Shabbat Family Service, which will take place -- you guessed it -- the first Friday of each month (excluding holidays) at 6:00 p.m. Perfectly timed to have Shabbat dinner at home (before or after service) or join us for family dinner in the synagogue on designated dates.

This short, family-friendly service will be filled with upbeat songs and prayers geared to younger participants but meaningful to all...an opportunity to let kids feel good about being Jewish while still being free to act...like kids.

First Friday @ CBI Dates

December 6
January 3 *with Family Shabbat Dinner*
February 7
March 7 *with Family Shabbat Dinner*
April 4
May 2
June 6

Parents and grandparents, brothers and sisters, aunts and uncles are all welcome!

Families and children are also always welcome at CBI's traditional Kabbalat Shabbat service at 8:15 p.m. This is a warm, friendly and joyful service...a spiritual and embracing welcome to Shabbat followed by communal Oneg.

MEN'S CLUB

By Hernan Wurgaft, Men's Club President

This November 4th marks eighteen years since the assassination of Yizthak Rabin. His brilliant trajectory as a soldier and as a leader was shockingly put to an end by the gunshots of an Israeli right-wing radical who opposed Rabin's signing of the Oslo Accords because of his belief in the Jewish biblical rights to all the territories conquered by Israel in the Six-Day War. The Oslo Accords and the peace process are still controversial, and Rabin's death still raises painful questions regarding the condition of modern Israel and its people. But to many, myself included, Yizthak Rabin was foremost a great hero, and in this anniversary I wish to remember and celebrate his great courage and love for Israel.



Perhaps Isaac Bashevis Singer was right. We really have no choice. We must participate in Men's Club activities (see calendar details below).

HANUKAH DINNER DANCE/MAN OF THE YEAR PARTY – SUNDAY DECEMBER 8

Buy an Ad for the Ad Journal to Honor Men's Club Man of the Year Michael Jurist. Contact Mike Slifer at mikeslifer@verizon.net.

If you haven't replied to the invitation to the Hannukah party that you received in the mail, you may still attend. Please contact David Sotnick at sotdot@verizon.net or Josh Schor at jschor@aol.com

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- **Thursday January 9:** Festival of Strikes - Men's Club Bowling Night. For more information contact Jonathan Schor at jschor@gmail.com
- **Friday-Saturday February 1:** Men's Club Shabbat (parashat Terumah). For more information contact Dan Dovdovany at dandov@yahoo.com and Dan Richter at daniel.richter@verizon.net
- **Basketball on Sundays and Wednesdays** – for more information contact David Touger at dtouger@aol.com
- **Book Club Sunday January 12** – 'Like Dreamers: The Story of the Israeli Paratroopers Who Reunited Jerusalem and Divided a Nation' by Yossi Klein Halevi - for more information contact Ed Nadel at Edward.Nadel@StarMountainCapital.com.

THANK YOU

The audience crowding the multipurpose room at the Men's Club Health Forum listened intently to six outstanding presentations that were precise and informative. Thank you to Jeff Greenberg for organizing and to all presenters (see photo).

Hernan Wurgaft



To contact Hernan Wurgaft, email him at hernanw40@yahoo.com

Save the Date!

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH

Join us for an educational and inspirational evening panel discussion that will include uniformed IDF soldiers.

Event is open to the entire congregation and local community. Light refreshments will be served.



Hosted by Hallie and Rayna Katzman

CHAVERIM

The CBI Youth Group for 4th and 5th Graders

Tuesday, December 3

Chanukah Disco

6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

****Immediately After Religious
School, Includes Pizza Dinner****

Sunday, December 15

Holiday Mitzvah Machine

12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

****Special Weekend Event /
Immediately After Religious School
/ Includes Lunch****

KADIMA

Thursday, December 5

Dizzy Dreidel

6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

****Includes Pizza Dinner****

Thursday, December 19

Game Night

6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

****Includes Pizza Dinner****

MILLBURN USY

The CBI Youth Group for 9th – 12th Graders

*Please note, USY events will alternate
between Tuesday and Thursday
evening.*

Tuesday, December 5

Chanukah Casino Night

7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 17

Candy Sushi & Game Night

7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

CBI Youth Groups Chaverim – Kadima – Millburn USY

USY kicked off the year with a Waffle Sundaes and Ice Breakers event in our youth lounge. There, we welcomed new members, reconnected with old ones, and, of course, ate tons of sugar. Next, we tie-dyed our new Millburn USY shirts outside at our Hippies in the Hut event. Some of us even played a few rounds of Messy Twister (think Twister, but add paint). The event was a huge success, as was Challah for Hunger, in which USY-ers braided, baked, and bought their own Challah, all for a great cause! Next came Food Olympics, in which USY-ers demonstrated talent and competition in some creative challenges involving everyone's favorite kosher snacks. Finally, we frosted cupcakes, decorated holiday cards for active soldiers, and made blankets for Project Linus, an organization that provides blankets for critically ill children at our Birthday Party/Project Linus event. Come join Millburn USY for these exciting events to come: Chanukah Casino Night, and Candy Sushi/Game Night. Also, be sure to keep an eye out for the upcoming Winter and Spring calendar!



USY making no-sew blankets for Project Linus



Kadima participating in Project Linus

SALUTING OUR SUPER SENIORS: BOB MARCUS

By Sheldon Greenholtz



Bob Marcus

Bob and Carol Marcus have been active members of CBI since 1970. Bob was so young when he became President (1979-81), that even though he and Carol had three children, the Executive Committee felt compelled to call his mother and ask if she was agreeable to her son's new responsibilities. Fortunately, she said yes.

Bob attended Columbia High School and graduated from Lafayette College, Yale Law School and New York University Law School with a Masters of Laws in Taxation. He was a founder and partner of the law firm of Stern, Dubrow and Marcus, P.A., Maplewood, for 30 years, after which he became a member of Kraemer, Burns, P.A., Springfield, where he currently practices.

Three children, Alexander, Daniel and Sarah, have been bar/bat mitzvahed at CBI and are Millburn High School graduates. They are married, live within 30 miles, and are the parents of five grandchildren, with a sixth expected in January.

Bob's wise counsel and strategic thinking have played an important role in many decisions by CBI during the past four decades. He remains active and involved.

Bob's communal activities include being honored with Carol, as recipients of the 30th Anniversary Israel Bonds Medal (1981), and the Spirit of Jerusalem Medallion (2006). Bob has served as Bonds Metro NJ Cash Collections Chair.

Bob has participated in diverse aspects of synagogue life. Prior to becoming president, Bob was a member of the Board of Trustees, and served as CBI Vice President. He also chaired the committee that recommended the creation of a Nursery School and Camp, and co-chaired the Search Committee that brought Rabbi Bayar to CBI.

Bob and Carol have been so deeply involved with CBI and the Greater Metro West Jewish community, that Carol is richly deserving of her own profile.

Suffice it to say, CBI is fortunate, indeed, to continue to benefit from

the presence of a couple that have contributed so much to our growth and development. Their commitment and dedication continue to make a difference in the lives of others.

Editor's Note: Each month we will profile a Super Senior who is part of our heritage and history.



**Enjoy your Shabbat
and Holiday
Meals with Men's
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Italian Style **FAMILY SHABBAT DINNER**

A CBI Family Shabbat Experience for Families with Children of all Ages

Friday, January 3, 2014

Attend Shabbat Service of Your Choice... Before or After Dinner!

Family Shabbat Service at 6:00 p.m.

Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Zemirot (Shabbat Songs) at 7:30 p.m.

Traditional Kabbalat Shabbat Service at 7:45 p.m.



Pasta Shabbat Dinner Includes:



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Pasta with Choice of Sauce: Alfredo, Tomato, Butter & Garlic, Butter or Plain
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Dessert // Fresh Fruit // Beverages

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Number of Adults _____ Children _____

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Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

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(Please advise if any special dietary requirements.)

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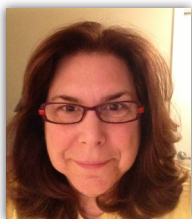
Questions? Please contact Henry Bloom at henry.bloom@novartis.com.

**BBRS students can earn Shabbat credit for attending either service.*

Sisterhood's Message

By Karen Tucker, Sisterhood President

The convergence of Chanukah with Thanksgiving, or Thanksgivukkah as the media has coined it, to me is very disconcerting. How do we give our attention to one holiday without losing some of the meaning of the other? I hope you all are able to enjoy both without losing the meaning of either. It is with that in mind that I mention this year's programming. Your Programming VPs and Education VPs have been hard at work trying to vary the types of programs made available to you all. I understand that some may interest you more than others, but I encourage to try attending what you like and to let me know if there is something of interest to you that you feel might be of interest others as well.



Mah Jongg comes to Sisterhood! On Sunday November 17th we had our first "learners" session. Our group organizer Amy Dantus and Teacher Michelle Hubertus taught a large group of beginners the fundamentals of the game and allowed us to try to play. We will continue with monthly games beginning on Wed. Dec. 18th. Please contact Amy for further details at abdant@comcast.net.

Our first **Bookends** Discussion group, a review of the Bread Givers, was held on Tues. Nov. 19th. Sara Sherman is a wonderful facilitator any many insights were shared. We are all looking forward to the February group-the book to be announced shortly. Watch for an email and flyer.

Please join us for a joint **programming/Rosh Chodesh** evening on Mon. Dec. 16th. For further info contact Susan Stern at Hazelstorm1016@aol.com

Please save the date! **Sisterhood Shabbat** is Jan 10th and 11th. This is an inspiring event led totally by our Sisterhood friends and relatives. There will be a special Oneg and Kiddush artfully designed by our executive chef Barbara Brown and her crew. If you would like to help or to participate in any way please contact Leslie McCafferty at mccaff@alum.mit.edu.

Save the Dates for January:

Ladies Night Out! To Wool and Grace Knitting Studio in Summit. Watch for further info.

MLK-Mitzvah day is Mon. Jan. 20th. Sisterhood will participate by supporting the "Birthday Angels". This organization provides birthday parties to children in Israel who would not otherwise have their special day recognized. If you would like to volunteer at our table please contact me.

Special Request: Volunteers needed to help with both Fri. Onegs as well as Sat. Kiddushim! Come join us in the kitchen where the magic is made each week. If you can spare a bit of time—from time to time please contact myself or Jane Brauer at brauer1000@yahoo.com.

Just a reminder! Need a Chanukah gift? A wedding, Bar or Bat Mitzvah? Just feel like shopping? Think the Sisterhood Gift Shop first! It's stocked with loads of beautiful things for almost any occasion. Contact Ilisa Perlman for further info at ilisaperlman@verizon.net.

Just one more note:

We at Sisterhood want to congratulate Michael Jurist being named Men's Club 2013 Man of the Year. *Yasher Koach!*

Sisterhood Gift Shop

This month we are featuring framed, infrared photographs of various "Trees of Life" by photographer Jaquelyn Etling. Her work is shown in various galleries in NYC and elsewhere. We are lucky to have her work for a limited time.

You have asked, and now we carry boxed cards. Enjoy sending these handmade packaged cards by Lisa Ehrlich for all occasion and Bar / Bat Mitzvah's. We are also happy to have boxed cards by a New York City artist whose paintings, lithographs, and drawings have recently been shown in various galleries including NYC.

Just arrived (!) - a large number of talit, kippot and women's head coverings from Israel and local artists. See us first for your simcha or that special gift!

Hours for December are Sunday 12/8 and 12/15 from 10am - noon. As always, you can call Ilisa Perlman at (973) 379-9275 to shop during off hours.

Karen Tucker



To contact Karen, email KarenLTucker@comcast.net



Save the Date for Sisterhood Shabbat January 10-11th, 2014!

We read the Torah portion of Beshalach, including the inspiring Song of the Sea. We welcome you to join us for this wonderful event.

ISRAEL AFFAIRS

By Joe Tenenbaum



Meet the Rishonim

CBI will have the opportunity meet several of Metrowest's Rishonim again this year. The young lady whose biography we featured in November was one of the participants who visited CBI in our October Shabbat program, Cheyenne Leah Stein. In conversation with her I discovered that the spelling included in our report was incorrect. The correct spelling is shown above. This month's Rishon is Omer Gavish:

Omer Gavish

Nice to meet you! My name is Omer Gavish, and I'm 18 years old. I have always lived in Rishon Le Zion with my family, a dog named Brownie and a little bird named Lutzy. When I was in 4th grade, I joined the Israeli Scouts in my neighborhood. I have many interests. One of them is sports, especially handball. In fact, I think that I tried almost every sport available in Israel...Music is another part of my life. From birth, I liked to listen to many kinds of music. My favorite activity is playing the piano and drums with my friends in my friend's basement. I am majoring in International Relations in "Ha'amit" high school. I like it because it's very interesting, and this is an important topic in Israeli life. In 2012, I took part in the Israeli Scouts' delegation to the USA and was a member of the Friendship Caravan. I'm look forward to meeting all of you!



Omer also visited CBI at our October event. Among the items he mentioned was that he practiced his conversational English by watching American TV. [Imagine that – "I have more studying to do, I can't turn off the TV yet!"]

Chanukah, 5774

Last month, I wrote about making Israel a part of your Chanukah celebration. Because Chanukah spans two months this year, I am still encouraging you to use Chanukah as a way to remind your family of Israel's importance to American Jews.

There are many ways to include Israel in the holiday. You can buy Israel Bonds for family members; purchase gifts made in Israel (visit the CBI Sisterhood Gift Shop!) or



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contribute to a charity which supports Israel. For example, at the Jewish National Fund website (www.JNF.org), you can plant trees in Israel, purchase Chanukah candles, or shop for other gifts. You might also send a thoughtful gift to soldiers of the IDF – visit www.pizzaidf.org to send pizza to the soldiers protecting Israel.

Adult Ed Sunday Night Movie December 15, 2013

CBI's Adult Learning is again offering viewings of films by Israeli Directors. These films are selected to probe political issues and present the complexities of Israeli living.

On Sunday, December 15, Adult Learning will present the next film in its series, and this film is a complete turnaround from the two comedies presented in October and November. The Gatekeepers presents interviews with six former heads of Shin Bet, the Israeli internal security agency. The film, directed by Dror Moreh was nominated for an Oscar for best documentary. The film caused a stir because of the views expressed by each of the leaders. As Barak Raviv wrote in a review in Haaretz:

The internal debate between Israeli diplomats raises the question of whether the film reinforces the anti-Israeli narrative in the West, or alternatively paints a more complex and positive picture of Israeli society and the internal arguments that take place within it.

To read that full review online, visit <http://www.haaretz.com/news/diplomacy-defense/in-a-flurry-of-telegrams-israeli-diplomats-respond-to-the-gatekeepers.premium-1.510699>

This and the future films are shown on Sunday at 7 pm. Future dates include February 2, March 9, and April 6.

AIPAC Policy Conference March 2 – March 4, 2014

Next year's conference will be the first week in March (March 2-4). Please visit the AIPAC website to register for the conference. The relationship between the United States and Israel has recently been under stress as Israel and US express different views related to achieving peace with the Palestinians, and preventing Iran from destabilizing the region with a nuclear weapon capability. These issues are central to what occurs at AIPAC's annual Policy Conference. If you want to learn more about U.S. Israel relationship, and to help strengthen that relationship, plan to attend this conference.

To view a short video about this year's conference, or

to sign up for the conference, please visit <http://www.aipac.org/pc>

B'nai Mitzvah Project for Israel January 26, 2014

Super Sunday is the biggest fundraiser of the year for Jewish Federation of Greater MetroWest NJ, which helps members of the Jewish community and others in need in New Jersey, and in Israel. You can make calls (easy, on-the-spot training for all volunteers), donate blood, sign up for the bone marrow registry, drop off food, and shop many vendors. Family activities include interactive story time with PJ Library®. Super Sunday provides significant support for programs supporting Israel, both local programs, and programs in Israel. For more information about Super Sunday, visit the following website <http://jfedgmw.org/page.aspx?id=265489>

Even if you cannot attend the event, please respond positively to the volunteer who calls asking for your financial support.

Sharing our Experiences

We encourage anyone in our community who has visited Israel or participated in pro-Israel activity to share their experience by publishing an article in our Bulletin. If you have something you would like to share, please let me know.

Missing Soldiers and Soldiers on Duty

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

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

Please also pray for **Jonathan Pollard**, (Yehonaton ha Levi ben Malka) who has been imprisoned now for more than 28 years and is in need of healing.

Joe Tenenbaum

ADULT EDUCATION

By Joshua Schor

My committee and I are grateful for all the interest this year in Adult Learning. To those who have already participated we hope you continue and for those who have not, feel free to contact me personally to advise on what may be of interest given your background, time constraints etc. Our fall JTS **ConText** class at CBI in the Israeli short story was a success facilitated by Professor Edna Bryn. We look forward to the next offering beginning Feb 5th taught for 8 consecutive Wednesdays by David Wachtel who is back by popular demand. David is master teacher with a warm sense of humor and the seminar is entitled: **Could You Repeat the Question Please? Re-Viewing Jewish History through the Lens of Responsa**. Please sign up as soon as possible as space may be limited. Rabbi Bayar continues to offer his bravura classes on Tuesday evenings at 7:30PM (**Jewish Law and Custom**) and Thursday mornings at 9:30 AM (**Jewish Views of the Christian Bible**) and **Reading Talmud** continues on Tuesday evenings at 7:30-9:30. Our very popular Israeli film review continues on specific Sunday evenings. The next offering is (FILL IN). We are blessed to have native Israeli congregants Ayala and Yoav Tamir lead brief discussions following the selections from the vibrant modern Israeli cinema

scene and refreshments are served. These hand picked films paint a portrait of Israeli society and culture. Our **Chai Mitzvah** class continues on certain Sunday mornings and is well under way. This interesting "intro" to Judaism may just peak your interest and is not terribly time consuming. If you are interested in this, we hope to offer it again next year! Our mission statement describes us as a learning community and our movement depends on us to be aware and educated Jews! So now is the time to LEARN! All classes held at CBI. Call the office to register.



To contact Joshua Schor, email him at jschor@aol.com

Joshua Schor



MLK MITZVAH DAY



Mon., Jan. 20th, 2pm - 4pm - "Make it a day on, not off!"

All activities will be in the Social Hall.

Mitzvah Day is a wonderful opportunity to learn about and support various charitable groups and organizations in our community and Israel.

This event is open to all congregants and the local community.

There will be a "hands-on" mitzvah for everyone. See 2nd page for Collections.

Please be aware that there is NO pre-registration or entrance fee.

Some tables may ask for nominal donations.

NJ Center for Tourette Syndrome & Associated Disorder, Inc. (Alec Wolf)	Find out how you can connect with other TS families in your area; get referrals for doctors who specialize in treating Tourette Syndrome, and learn about the various support and educational services NJCTS provides families, educators, and medical professionals throughout NJ.
bookBgone (Andrea Hirschfeld and Lois Cantwell)	Contribute BOOKS, DVDs and CDs . Help sort and prepare them for distribution. Design/create bookmarks. Assist in bringing items to the Morris Ave., Union office.
Friends of Israeli Defense Forces (Rayna and Hallie Katzman)	
Israeli National Therapeutic Riding Association (Sydney Fox)	Come learn about INTRA and support this Mitzvah project - HAND-MADE CARDS available for sale to support INTRA.
The First Tee (Ryan Adelman)	This program provides life skills to help young people in school and life. Donate new or used (golf bags, clubs, balls, tees, shoes). PUTTING GREEN ACTIVITY PROVIDED.
The Community Food Bank of NJ (Tyler Adelman)	1.2 million people in NJ are food insecure and 45% do not qualify for any government assistance. The CFB of NJ feeds 900,000 hungry people each year. Support the Food Bank - bring a CAN OF FOOD to help stock their pantries. Let's see how large a tower of food we can build!
Down the Block (Wendy Minocha)	Support our "neighbor helping neighbor" financial assistance program. ACTIVITY PROVIDED.
Birthday Angels (Sisterhood)	One out every three children In Israel can't celebrate a birthday this year. Be an angel! Make them a BIRTHDAY CARD! Nominal donations for cards are welcome to support this organization's efforts to give every child in Israel a birthday party.
Interfaith Hospitality Network (Ferdinand, Alpert and Troll Families)	CBI is part of IHN's Emergency Network Program, responsible for housing, hosting and feeding up to 14 guests. Learn how to get more involved. See the collection box for helpful donations. Help make blankets and pillowcase chairs for future guests.
Bridges (Hedwig Gruenewald Early Childhood Center)	Two ways to give the gift of warmth! 1) Start CROCHETING OR KNITTING today and bring your child-size scarf to donate. 2) ACTIVITY - Help fringe/embellish a fleece scarf on Jan. 20 to donate!
Cora Hartshorn Arboretum (Vera Figueiredo)	Learn how to help PROTECT THREATENED/ENDANGERED SPECIES and their habitats. Visitors will have an opportunity to see 3 animals up-close, learn about each animal and have the opportunity to touch at least one of the animals.

Legow Family Israel Program Center (Jeremy Dranikoff)	Help make a HOMERUN in Arad, Israel for kids in grades 4 - 10. Donate gently used or new baseball equipment (gloves, bats, catcher's gear and softballs (no baseballs).
SHALVA (Daniel Kolat)	SHALVA helps children with special needs and their family. Visit our website, come tell us what SHALVA means in Hebrew and be entered into a RAFFLE for a gift card!
The Pajama Program (Alana Wolf)	The Pajama Program delivers new, warm pajamas to children in need, many who are without parents and/or permanent homes. The "Danger Season" is here - the coldest, most difficult time for these children. Please donate a NEW PAIR OF PAJAMAS to help these kids feel like they matter. All sizes are welcome.
Heroes to Heroes Foundation (Judy Schaffer)	Heroes to Heroes provides peer support between American and Israeli veterans suffering from PTSD from their journey to Israel. SEND A VETERAN A CARD.
The Lupus Foundation of America (Lenny Andruuzzi)	Come learn at this informational table about lupus and the services offered by the foundation for people suffering from lupus and their families.
Breaking the Chain Through Education (Lieberman Family)	So far at least 30 children have been rescued in Ghana, returned to their families and are attending school due to BTCCTE. Come learn about this life-saving organization while you make a special colored RAINBOW LOOM BRACELET . Gently used SOCCER BALLS are welcome for donation.
The Friendship Circle (Chavi Rosenblum)	TFC is one of the fastest growing NJ Jewish organizations that supports families with special needs. Visit our table to learn more! DUCK TAPE ACTIVITY PROVIDED.
Jewish Family Service of MetroWest (Suzy Berman)	ALL AGES! Sign up to visit a senior alone or as a family. Mitzvah opportunity to also sign up to assist seniors with their computer. FREE "giveaways"!
Jewish National Fund (Jason Freeman)	It all started with a dream in 1901...Theodor Herzl's dream. Come learn how JNF has supported Israel for over 100 years and how you can get involved.
Rent Party Pantry, Inc. (Chris Dickson)	Learn how Rent Party fights hunger locally by helping children in need of weekend food and created a garden to provide food for the local pantries. Support Rent Party by PLANTING SEEDS , which can later be cultivated and used for nourishment.
Chai Lifeline (Rochel Mendlowitz)	Do you want to make a difference in the life of a child? Find out how you can help seriously ill children and their families. Come see our SLIDESHOW presentation.
Jersey Animal Coalition (Gloria Smith)	Learn about adopting a dog or cat in a need of a loving home. All animals are up to date with vaccinations and are spade or neutered. See collection items below.

COLLECTIONS BEGIN JAN. 1st OR BRING THEM TO THE EVENT ON JAN. 20th!

NEW children's pajamas any size (The Pajama Program)	baseball equipment (new or gently used) (Legow Family Israel)	any canned food (The Community Food Bank of NJ)	knitted/crocheted scarf for a child (Bridges)
golf equipment (new or gently used) (The First Tee)	books/DVDs/CDs (all ages) - gently used (bookBgone)	"like new" or new twin sheets and blankets (IHN)	alarm clocks, night-lights, flashlights (IHN)
towels, paper towels, cat/dog bed, cat nip toys (JAC)	canned dog and cat food (JAC)	soccer balls (gently used) (BTCCTE)	STAY TUNED TO JAN. BULLETIN FOR ANY ADDITIONS

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO ARE HOSTING A TABLE AND/OR ACTIVITY.

MLK Mitzvah Day is organized by Hearts and Hands and CBI Programming

Congregation B'nai Israel Awarded Centennial Schechter Award

Congregation B'nai Israel was awarded a Centennial Schechter Award by the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism at the recent conference in Baltimore marking the 100th anniversary of the national parent organization of Conservative Judaism.

The Centennial Schechter Awards recognized excellence in synagogue programming that builds kehilla – sacred community. The awards committee looked for examples of initiatives that had a long-lasting impact, especially those that connected people to one another and to Conservative Judaism, strengthened Jewish identity, or changed the greater community beyond the confines of their synagogue.

Specifically, CBI was awarded a special commendation called the “Centennial Chesed Award,” for its “Living Tzedakah in Appalachia” program, which was designed to make a difference in the lives of the people and families in what is considered to be the poorest town in the poorest section of America: McRoberts, KY.

B'nai Israel was one of three synagogues in the United States to be singled out for the special Centennial Chesed Award. The award description states, “These visionary projects responded to timely needs or had an impact on populations beyond the Jewish community. They were guided by exemplary Jewish values that are the underpinning of all sacred community. We hope they will inspire our kehillot to continually look to the special strengths and challenges in every community as opportunity to bring Jewish values to life.”

The McRoberts social action initiative was first envisioned and developed five years ago by Rabbi Steven Bayar and Naomi Eisenberger, a former CBI President and currently the Executive Director of the

Millburn-based Good People Fund.

This year's award continues a tradition of programming excellence at CBI spanning decades. B'nai Israel has been awarded Schechter awards in previous years for archives, bulletin, music programming, education, special education, social action and liturgy.

Pictured below with the award certificate is Rabbi Steven Bayar with CBI congregants Andrea Hirschfeld and Art Fredman, who have both participated in multiple trips to McRoberts as part of the “Living Tzedakah in Appalachia” program.

A special Kabbalat Shabbat Service is being organized for this spring to kick off the 2014 trip to McRoberts, KY and to recognize participants and supporters of this inspirational – and award-winning – social action program.



Award Pic Andrea Hirschfeld, Rabbi Bayar, Art Fredman

Wednesday is Mah Jongg Night at CBI!!!!



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January 15,
February 12,
March 12,
April 2,
May 14,
June 11

7:15 pm
to
9:00pm

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Saturday, February 8, 2014

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ADULT FORUM

December 2013

Hello Adult Forum Members,

Chanukah came early this year. On Tuesday, **December 3** you are most welcome to spend a few hours of it with your Adult Forum friends at a screening of the thought provoking French film, *The Other Son*. As he prepares to join the Israeli army for his national service, Joseph discovers he is not his parents' biological son, but that he was inadvertently switched at birth with Yassin, the son of a Palestinian family from the West Bank. This revelation turns the lives of these two families upside-down, forcing them to reassess their respective identities, their values and their beliefs. The film is subtitled.



One of our favorite presenters, Rick Busciglio, is returning with a new program entitled *Words (or why do we say that) Fun with Words and Phrases*. Please join us for a most enjoyable afternoon on **December 17** at noon.

Remember, please call the temple (973) 379-3811 if you are unsure whether or not we are holding the program due to inclement weather.

Remember, all of our in-house programs begin with lunch at noon followed by the program at 12:30. **You may pay at the door, but please call or email me with your sandwich orders in advance. I will return all phone calls and confirm all emails so you know that I have received your message.** We are holding the cost of the sandwiches at \$10 for members and \$12 for community participants. Our programs are welcoming and open to all, so please feel free to bring your friends.

Chag Sameach.

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ADULT FORUM Events RSVP December 2013

**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER,
CALL CBI AT 973-379-3811**

Cost: Adult Forum members \$10 per event, community participants \$12 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. **You can also call your sandwich order in to Lois at 973-533-1809 the Friday before the program and pay at the door.**

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Amount enclosed: _____

I will attend the following events:

☐ **December 3: Screening of *The Other Son*.** The story of two young men, one Israeli and one Palestinian, who discover they were accidentally switched at birth. Cost \$10 for members, \$12 for community participants. **RSVP to Lois.**

<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

☐ **December 17: *Words (or why do we say that) Fun with Words and Phrases*.** Hirschhorn favorite Rick Busciglio will present *Words (or why do we say that) Fun with Words and Phrases*. Cost \$10 for members, \$12 for community participants. **RSVP to Lois.**

<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

☐ **TRIP DECEMBER 12 to GRAND CENTRAL TERMINAL .**

Enjoy an award winning 90 minute walking tour. Cost \$50 for members, \$55 for community participants. Lunch on your own. Call Lois 973-533-1809 for information. **Flyer for Grand Central Terminal Trip available at CBI, through Lois Dyer or JCC of Central NJ.**



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

DONATIONS

The following tributes have been sent over the past several months. If you wish to send a tribute please call Ana Amorim at 973-379-3811 ext. 10 or email her at anaa@cbi-nj.org.

Synagogue Fund

Rich Jacobs ~ In memory of your mother, Leah Jacobs.

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Leila and Melvin Schott ~ Mazel Tov on your great granddaughter Sydney's Bat Mitzvah.

❖ Carol & Bob Marcus

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❖ Carol & Bob Marcus

Lisa Ehrlich ~ In memory of your grandfather.

❖ Deena Bernhaut

Sally Shotkin ~ In memory of your dear cousin Shelley Zeiger.

❖ Sheila Marx

Barbara and Eli Meisler ~ In memory of your dear cousin Shelley Zeiger.

❖ Sheila Marx

Jason and Dayna Clawans ~ Mazel Tov on Sydney's Bat Mitzvah!

❖ Andrea Hirschfeld

Ellen Clawans ~ Mazel Tov on your daughter Sydney's Bat Mitzvah!

❖ Andrea Hirschfeld

Leila and Melvin Schott ~ Yasher Koach on your new skill and your great granddaughter Sydney's Bat Mitzvah!

❖ Andrea Hirschfeld

Josh Schor ~ Wishing you a speedy recovery!

❖ Andrea & David Hirschfeld

Charles Goldstein ~ Congratulations on becoming great-grandparents to Mila Ruby!

❖ Evelyn & Herman Schachtel

Sandy and Alvin Panzer ~ Mazel Tov on your grandson's Dennis and Jason's B'nei Mitzvah!

❖ Teddy Leff

The Welt Family ~ Condolences on the passing of Rachel Welt.

❖ Hanna Keselman

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The Berkowitz Family ~ In memory of your father.

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❖ Harvey & March Brooks

Richard Meth ~ Condolences on the passing of your mother, Ellen Meth.

❖ Andrea & David Hirschfeld

❖ Beth Giladi

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❖ Andrea & David Hirschfeld

Michelle Retik ~ Mazel Tov on your daughter Rachel's Bat Mitzvah.

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Celeste Johnson ~ Speedy and full recovery!

❖ Karen Tucker

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❖ Karen Tucker

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Sandy and Alvin Panzer ~ Mazel Tov on your grandson's Dennis and Jason's B'nei Mitzvah!

❖ Sally Shotkin

❖ Rosylin & Barnet Epstein

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Josh Schor ~ Wishing you a speedy recovery!

❖ Karen & Mickey Kahn

❖ Judy & Gary Dubro

❖ Helene & Steven Moehlman

❖ Ethel Rosenfeld

❖ Judy & Arthur Fredman

Dr. Matt Askin ~ Thanks so much for assisting in my recovery!

❖ Josh Schor

Paula Touger ~ Thanks so much for assisting in my recovery!

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Len Hausman ~ Thanks so much for assisting in my recovery!

❖ Josh Schor

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If you would like a copy of CBI's new Publicity Guidelines, please contact David Good, chairperson of the Publicity Committee at dfgood@verizon.net.

Next Deadline

Please note, the deadline for the January 2013 bulletin is December 10. Information contained in the bulletin each month is time sensitive. We appreciate your cooperation in order to ensure that the Bulletin reaches everyone by the beginning of each month. Space permitting, we will do our best to include your item(s), and we reserve the right to edit your submission. Please submit all material to lisar@cbi-nj.org.



The Men's Club plays **pick-up basketball** on Wednesday evening and Sunday morning every week!

Now is your chance to join in the fun!

Games are casual...with just enough competitiveness to make it fun and worthwhile! There is no weekly commitment...come when you can!

Wednesday at 8:30 p.m.

Hartshorn Elementary School, 400 Hartshorn Drive, Short Hills

Sunday at 9:15 a.m.

YM-YWHA at 501 Green Lane, Union

For more information, contact David Touger at dtouger@aol.com.

COMMUNITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Thursday November 28 ~ Thanksgiving BBRS, HGECC & Office Closed

Friday November 29 HGECC & Office Closed

- 8:15 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat followed by College Reunion Oneg

Saturday November 30 ~ Bat Mitzvah of Leah Miller No Torah for Tots and Junior Congregation

- 9:00 am - Shabbat Services
- 10:45 am - Shabbat Journeymen's Minyan

Sunday December 1 No BBRS

- 10:30 am - Chai Mitzvah Adult Learning

Monday December 2

- 7:30 pm Sisterhood Board Meeting

Tuesday December 3

- 6:00 pm Chaverim - Chanukah Disco
- 7:30 pm Adult Learning - Jewish Law & Custom w/ Rabbi Bayar
- 7:30 pm Adult Learning - Reading Talmud
- 8:00 pm Executive Committee Meeting

Thursday December 5

- 9:30 am Adult Learning - A Jewish View of the Christian Bible w/ Rabbi Bayar
- 6:00 pm Kadima - Dizzy Dreidel
- 7:30 pm USY - Chanukah Casino Night

Friday December 6

- 6:00 pm First Friday Early Family Service
- 8:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday December 7 ~ Bar Mitzvah Ethan Steinberg

- 9:00 am Service
- 10:15 am Tefilot Yeladim (Gr. 3-6)
- 10:30 am Tefilot Ketanim (Gr. K-2)
- 10:30 am Tot Shabbat (Preschool)
- 10:45 am Shabbat Journeymen's Minyan
- 11:15 am Yaldeinu

Sunday December 8

- 5:30 pm Men's Club Chanukah Dinner Dance
- Monday December 9
- 8:00 pm Men's Club Board Meeting

Tuesday December 10

- 7:30 pm Adult Learning - Jewish Law & Custom w/ Rabbi Bayar
- 7:30 pm Adult Learning - Reading Talmud
- 8:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday December 11

- 9:30 am HGECC Open House

Thursday December 12

- 9:30 am Adult Learning - A Jewish View of the Christian Bible w/ Rabbi Bayar

Friday December 13

- 8:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat & IHN Volunteer Recognition Oneg

Saturday December 14

- 9:00 am Shabbat Services
- 10:15 am Tefilot Yeladim (Gr. 3-6)
- 10:30 am Tefilot Ketanim (Gr. K-2)
- 10:30 am Tot Shabbat (Preschool)

Sunday December 15

- 10:30 am Chai Mitzvah Adult Learning
- 10:30 am Open School Day at BBRS
- 12:00 pm Chaverim - Holiday Mitzvah Machine

Monday December 16

- 7:30 pm Youth Committee Meeting
- 7:30 pm Sisterhood Ladies Dessert Night

Tuesday December 17

- 12:00 pm Adult Forum ~ Bennett Muraskin "Yiddish Words"
- 6:30 pm Facilities Meeting
- 7:30 pm Adult Learning - Jewish Law & Custom w/ Rabbi Bayar
- 7:30 pm Adult Learning - Reading Talmud
- 7:30 pm Sisterhood Book Club

Wednesday December 18

- 7:15 pm Mah Jong

Thursday December 19

- 9:30 am Adult Learning - A Jewish View of the Christian Bible w/ Rabbi Bayar
- 6:00 pm Kadima - Game Night

Friday December 20

- 7:45 pm Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday December 21

- 9:00 am Shabbat Services
- 10:15 am Tefilot Yeladim (Gr. 3-6)
- 10:30 am Tefilot Ketanim (Gr. K-2)
- 10:30 am Tot Shabbat (Preschool)
- 10:45 am Shabbat Journeymen's Minyan
- BBRS and HGECC closed for winter vacation

Tuesday December 24

Office closed at noon

Wednesday December 25

BBRS, HGECC & Office Closed

Thursday December 26

BBRS, HGECC & Office Closed

Friday December 27

- HGECC & Office Closed
- 8:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat followed by College Reunion Oneg

Saturday December 28

- 9:00 am Shabbat Services
- 10:45 am Shabbat Journeymen's Minyan

Sunday December 29

- No BBRS
- 10:30 am Chai Mitzvah Adult Learning

Monday December 30

- 11:00 am Kabbalat Yeladynu for Gan Families

Tuesday December 31

Office closed at 2:00 pm

Wednesday January 1

BBRS, HGECC & Office Closed

Thursday January 2~ HGECC & BBRS resume

Friday January 3

- 6:00 pm First Friday Early Family Service
- 6:30 pm Family Shabbat Dinner
- 8:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday January 4

- 9:00 am Shabbat Services
- 10:15 am Tefilot Yeladim (Gr. 3-6)
- 10:30 am Tefilot Ketanim (Gr. K-2)
- 10:30 am Tot Shabbat (Preschool)
- 10:45 am Shabbat Journeymen's Minyan
- 11:15 am Yaldeinu

Sunday January 5

- 10:00 am B'nai Mitzvah Party Showcase

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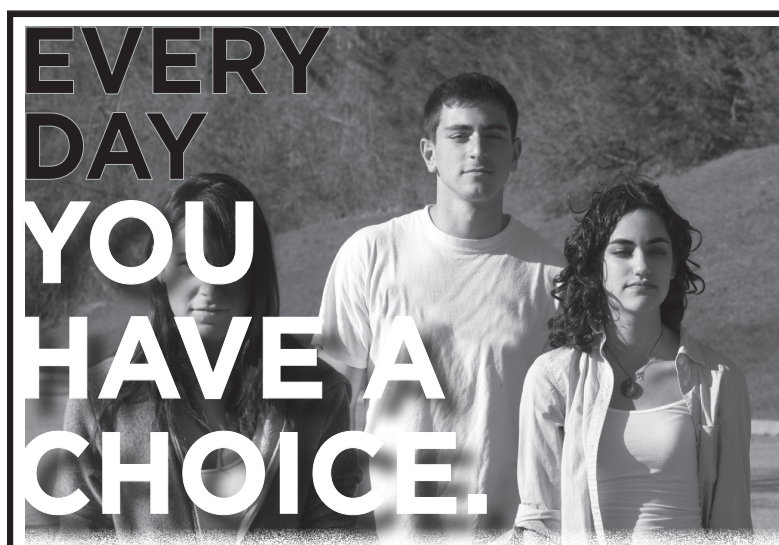
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