

The Bulletin



CONGREGATION
B'NAI ISRAEL

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

November/December 2021

IMPORTANT: Starting November 5, please note earlier start time of 5:30 p.m. for Kabbalat Shabbat service on Friday night. This will continue through March 2022.



Annual *Channukah Dinner Dance*

Sunday, December 5th at 6:30 p.m.

Dancing - Celebrating - Door Prizes

Honoring
Men's Club 2021 Man of the Year
Daniel Dovdavy

Festive Holiday Dining

Prepared by CBI Chefs Extraordinaire

Featuring Fantastic Music

Reservation Deadline Sunday, November 28th

Admission \$50 per person



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November Service Times, Candle Lighting

Additional Shabbat Programs (Please note earlier start time now in place through March):

Friday, November 5

5:30 pm – Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat

5:30 pm – Light Candles

Saturday, November 6

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Gathering

Bar Mitzvah of Jonah Dovdavyan

6:30 pm – Shabbat concludes at or after

Friday, November 12

5:30 pm – IN PERSON and Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat

Shabbat Dinner

4:23 pm – Light Candles

Saturday, November 13

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Gathering

5:24 pm – Shabbat concludes at or after

Friday, November 19

5:30 pm – Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat

4:17 pm – Light Candles

Saturday, November 20

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Gathering

5:19 pm – Shabbat concludes at or after

Friday, November 26

5:30 pm – Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat

4:14 pm – Light Candles

Saturday, November 27

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Gathering
B'nai Mitzvah of

Theodore and Miles Dybner

5:16 pm – Shabbat concludes at or after

Letter from the Rabbi

By Rabbi Ari Isenberg



Dear Congregants,

It continues to be the joy of a lifetime to serve the CBI community as its rabbi. Even though I began my tenure during this prolonged pandemic, I've had ample opportunity to see how special and sacred a community we are. Through your acts of chesed & caring; your commitment to our programming and worship

services; your financial & volunteer contributions; it is clear to me that, even in spite of the pandemic's limitations, CBI has a dedicated core, and our community's rich history will inform its future in notable ways for years to come.

Part of what makes CBI a special place is its recognition of the important role a parent plays in the rearing of a child. It's something rabbis & cantors have long preached to congregants; however, those same rabbis & cantors might tell you that it was not always easy to practice what they preached. Gila and I were blessed with the birth of our daughter in June. Now that the intensity of the High Holiday planning and season are behind us, I'm grateful to CBI for affording me this 2-month family leave. CBI's values are in the right place and I'm so appreciative of this time to bond with my daughter.

Still, I look forward to reintegrating into day-to-day CBI activity in December.

For now, I wish you a good Autumn. I'll see you soon.

Rabbi Ari Isenberg



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email him at rabbi@cbi-nj.org



Musical Notes

By Cantor Lorna Wallach



Back in 2013, there was an extremely rare occurrence of Hanukkah coinciding with Thanksgiving. While that won't happen again until 79,811, this year Hanukkah does begin just days after we celebrate Thanksgiving. Even though Thanksgiving is an American holiday, we can certainly find ways to connect it to the Jewish festival of Hanukkah.

The American concept of Thanksgiving developed in the colonies of New England, where the religious separatists, who had left England seeking a new home where they could freely practice their faith, shared an autumn harvest feast with Wampanoag Native Americans in November of 1621, celebrating the success of the Pilgrims' first corn harvest. Annual celebrations of the harvest and its bounty actually date back to ancient times and spans many cultures. The Egyptians, Greeks and Romans feasted and paid tribute to their gods after the fall harvest. Thanksgiving also bears a resemblance to our Jewish harvest festival of Sukkot. Historians have also noted that Native Americans had a rich tradition of commemorating the fall harvest with feasting and merrymaking long before the arrival of the Europeans here.

So what's the connection to Hanukkah? Hanukkah marks the celebration of the rededication of the Temple. It also acknowledges the miracle of the military victory of the Maccabees over the Greek-Syrian army and the miracle that the jug of oil, which should have only been enough for one day, lasted 8 days! But there is more to the background of Hanukkah!

In the Second Book of the Maccabees, which quotes from a letter sent circa 125 BCE from the Hasmoneans to the leaders of Egyptian Jewry, the holiday is called "The festival of Sukkot celebrated in the month of Kislev," (rather than Tishrei). Since the Jews were still fighting in caves in Tishrei, 164 BCE, they could not properly honor the eight-day holiday of Sukkot (and Shemini Atzeret), which is a Temple holiday; hence it was postponed until after the recapture of Jerusalem and the purification of the Temple and they even carried Lulavs and offered hymns of praise to G-d. (II Maccabees 10:6-7) This, not the Talmudic legend of the jug of oil, explains the eight day length of Hanukkah -- as a delayed celebration of Sukkot. (from: *A Different Light: The Big Book of Hanukkah*, published by the Shalom Hartman Institute and Devora Publishing)

Hanukkah, like Sukkot and Thanksgiving, is also a time of the

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December Service Times, Candle Lighting

Additional Shabbat Programs (Please note earlier start time now in place through March):

Friday, December 3

Chanukah 6th Candle
5:30 pm – Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat
4:11 pm – Light Candles

Saturday, December 4

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Gathering
5:15 pm – Shabbat concludes at or after
Chanukah 7th candle
Rosh Chodesh Tevet

Friday, December 10

5:30 pm – Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat
4:11 pm – Light Candles

Saturday, December 11

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Gathering
5:15 pm – Shabbat concludes at or after

Friday, December 17

5:30 pm – Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat
4:13 pm – Light Candles

Saturday, December 18

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Gathering
5:17 pm – Shabbat concludes at or after

Friday, December 24

5:30 pm – Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat
4:16 pm – Light Candles

Saturday, December 25

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Gathering
5:21 pm – Shabbat concludes at or after

Friday, December 31

5:30 pm – Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat
4:21 pm – Light Candles

Saturday, January 1

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Gathering
5:26 pm – Shabbat concludes at or after

From the Director of Congregational Learning

By Rabbi Julie Schwarzwald



Kol Yisrael arevim zeh la zeh - All Jews are responsible for one another

5782 began with more excitement than we anticipated with the flooding in our area. But our CBI community came together in the most amazing way to help our families who were affected and

showed up in droves to move everything needed within our CBI building. Hopefully, by the time you are reading this, we will be almost back to “normal.” Even with the continuing and diverse challenges, our year of education is off to an amazing start!

We were able to move all of the adjacent High Holiday programming to the two tents in the parking lot. Our Yaldeinu families were so happy to be back together in person for the first time, and we had 20 families at each of our Young Family services. Now that our full schedule of programming is underway, we are excited about all of our new offerings.

CBIP

In spite of the many challenges in relocating the preschool classrooms upstairs for the opening of school, we were able to welcome 26 children, and have since added several more. We opened a second class of two-year-olds, hired two new teachers and one new assistant teacher, and extended our hours to 8:00 am to 5:00 pm (4:00 pm on Fridays). Having gotten through a September with two days on and two days off each week, children have now become accustomed to preschool and walking up and down the stairs as they make their way to the playground or social hall. More than half of our students are extending their days, and we know that number will only increase.

New this year, our Tkiya Wee Jam music class for babies through five-year-olds, is off to a rollicking start! We have filled our Sunday morning class, great for working parents, and have a solid crew of families with children age zero to two on Wednesdays. We just opened a second Sunday class.

Bim Bam Shabbat moved to monthly outdoor services on Friday afternoons last spring, and we are looking forward to continuing as the weather permits.

Pre-K Jewish Adventures is a monthly Sunday morning program for families with 3- to 5-year olds focusing on holidays as a “taste” of Sunday school. We had a wonderful first session

in the sukkah and will learn about Shabbat on October 24.

BBRS

Having moved the preschool upstairs, BBRS began the year meeting outside in the tents on Sunday mornings and in the social hall on Tuesday afternoons. Every student in grades 3 through 7 also has an individual online Hebrew/Tefillah lesson with a teacher one afternoon a week, scheduled at the family's convenience. We welcome Temple Sha'arey Shalom students to our Sunday program, building a vibrant program together. We have also welcomed 9 new CBI students to our BBRS K-7th grade program!

On Saturday, October 30, we will have our first Shabbat Shelanu, when BBRS families participate in family/youth services and learn about middot/virtues, instead of Sunday school that week.

This year involves getting caught up on various workshops making ritual items that were side-lined by the pandemic. 3rd through 5th grade parents have already decorated siddur covers, and we look forward to planning a Kabbalat Shabbat service to present these students with their siddurim. 5th through 7th graders have designed and assembled yads to use for b'mitzvah, a gift from BBRS.

Teens

We have an incredible group of madrichim this year, essential as BBRS meets in alternate locations. Our teen helpers are working with small groups and helping teachers get supplies and manage the logistics of teaching out of the classroom.

We have also compiled a list of CBI teens who are interested in babysitting. This list is available to CBI members. Email Rabbi Julie, RabbiJulie@cbi-nj.org, if you would like a copy.

Tichon, our formal teen education program, has a new focus this year. Each month is a different Mitzvah Module, beginning with text study about a particular focus in Judaism and continuing with a hands-on social action component. In October, 8th through 12th graders learned about Ba'al Taschit, the prohibition against waste, and then designed logo and slogans for CBI's Alliance for Sustainability. In November, teens will learn about Ha'achalat Re'evim, feeding the hungry, and then participate in a Bridges Run, as part of a whole-synagogue project. December brings Pikuach Nefesh, saving a life, and the opportunity to become certified in First Aid/CPR/AED.

Youth Groups

Youth groups - Chaverim for 4th and 5th graders, Kadima for

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6th through 8th graders, and USY for 9th through 12th graders - are well underway with their regular program schedule. Creatively meeting outside as weather permits and in the social hall otherwise, these groups continue to provide amazing opportunities for our youth to socialize within and beyond CBI.

Lifelong Learning

Our Fall adult education programming continues with our Monday Morning Modules, Talmud Class, and Thursday

morning Pirkei Avot with Rabbi Helaine Ettinger, all on Zoom. Monthly programs include Journeyers' Minyan and Chanting Circle. Israeli Dancing resumes in person on Sunday evenings, beginning November 7. We are in the process of creating the schedule and programs for Winter and Spring. Please reach out to Rabbi Julie, RabbiJulie@cbi-nj.org, if you have any requests.

Rabbi Julie Schwarzwald



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Musical Notes

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gathering of crops. It is the time of the olive harvest, a final time to offer praise and gratitude for God's benevolence. The Midrash Hanukkah states that apart from the Syrian-Greeks' attempts to abolish the cardinal mitzvot of *Shabbat*, *Rosh Chodesh* and *brit milah*, they set their sights on abolishing the holiday of Sukkot.

Rabbi Jay Kelman (Toronto, Canada) says that one of the lessons of Hanukkah is that we should appreciate the opportunity to practice Judaism while we also gain from encounters with the rest of the world. So this year, as we bridge from Thanksgiving to Hanukkah, let us celebrate our dual identities as Jews and as Americans. We are fortunate to live in a society in which we are free to live openly as Jews and to build sacred spaces in which to pray and learn. But at the same time as being thankful, we must be modern day Maccabees, and take action and speak out to make sure that all people are afforded the freedom to practice their faith, and live the lifestyle they choose without fear of being discriminated against, persecuted or terrorized.

Wishing you meaningful and enjoyable celebrations of Thanksgiving and of Hanukkah! (And I still have my Lulav and Etrog lying around should anyone want to make it part of your Hanukkah celebration!!)

Cantor Lorna Wallach



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The Art of the Nigun At the CBI Chanting Circle

Join us

**Sunday, November 21st at 5PM
for our inspirational Hebrew chant and
song circle with musical accompaniment
via Zoom.**

Join Zoom meeting: <https://bit.ly/cbichanting>

(Password: CBI)

(Meeting ID: 718 411 8781) Passcode: CBI

This special edition of the chanting circle is going wordless! What is a nigun if not a chant without words? Like chant, the nigun is powerful centuries-old way of accessing a spiritual sensibility not otherwise readily available to us. While our niguns will be contemporary, what they bring out is timeless!

The intention of chanting is to awaken the divine in our hearts. It can soothe the mind and at the very least is simply fun to do! No prior knowledge of Hebrew or singing ability necessary ... only a willingness to join in spiritual community.

For further informaton contact: lenhausman@msn.com

Our 11th Year!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Jamey Potechin



As I write this column, we have just finished reading parshat Noah, recounting the story of the flood and its aftermath. The reading seems particularly apt this year, as we deal with the aftermath of our own flood while still dealing with continuing waves of Covid.

The flooding damage to our building seemed minor at first, with water entering the building through the doorways facing Millburn Avenue and spreading a thin layer of water throughout the preschool wing, the multi-purpose room and the clergy offices. All these rooms require cleanup and repair, in most cases removing the bottom two feet of sheetrock. Separately, our basement flooded, ruining our boiler and hot water heater. We have just finished the cleanup phase of the work, with deep appreciation for the dozens of volunteers who came out in the aftermath of the flooding to remove water-damaged material and move our entire preschool to the upstairs classrooms. Special thanks to congregants Adam and Miri Forster, who responded immediately through Adam's company, PuroClean, to get equipment in place to prevent further moisture damage, and for handling the cleanup effort. Special thanks as well to David Touger for taking charge of the early cleanup.

We have passed the cleanup inspection and are now entering the reconstruction phase. The facilities committee has been instrumental in lining up contractors to do the wall repair work and replace the utilities in our flooded basement. Under the able direction of Jamie Beneroff as our "flood czar", we are expediting these repairs and look forward to returning the preschool kids as quickly as possible to their regular classrooms and the clergy to their offices.

This is not the only construction we have had in our building. Throughout the past several months, we have been making improvements to building security through a Homeland Security grant. These include a

new keyless entry system, new security cameras throughout the building, a blast film lining for our windows and decorative benches and planters that double as physical barriers. Special thanks to Bob Brauer and the Homeland Security sub-committee for managing the extensive logistics needed to define our requirements, get quotes, manage the contractors and be successfully reimbursed for the grant.

We are rebuilding in more ways than one, with several new members joining the CBI community in the several weeks and a growing population in the preschool. Our membership committee, led by Paula Touger, has done a phenomenal in reaching out to prospective members and getting them to experience what we have to offer. We look forward to getting to know our new members and celebrating with them throughout the year.

As we conclude our High Holiday Appeal for the year, I'd like to thank everyone who has given so far. If you have not yet had the opportunity to make your pledge, please call or e-mail the office at any time to participate in this important fundraiser. We can't cover all our expenses without your additional support through fundraising, and our need will be greater this year because of unreimbursed flood expenses. Special thanks to Henry Bloom for chairing this effort and to the small group of callers who have reached out to members to solicit donations.

Additional thanks to Dan Dovdovany and the Executive Director search committee for all the hard work they did finding and vetting candidates. I am happy to welcome Paul Gibilisco as our new executive director and look forward to working with him. While Joel Goldman's time with us as interim director was short, he has proven to be a mensch and we wish him luck in future endeavors.

Jamey Potechin



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MEN'S CLUB

By David Touger and Craig Rothman,
Men's Club Co-Presidents

Craig and I are very proud and honored to be the latest in a long line of distinguished and wonderful men who have led this community's Men's Club. We humbly hope we can fill their shoes and lead the Men's Club forward as admirably as they have. As you read this article we hope and pray that everyone is healthy and that the COVID numbers continue to move downward so we can once again join together and celebrate many wonderful events together.

Already the Men's Club softball team was able to successfully compete this past spring and summer in the Men's Club Softball league. We had our best season ever, going 10-1 and advancing deep into the playoffs before losing to the eventual champion. It was great fun and all the players on the team deserve a giant YASHER KOACH for their efforts. Also, on the athletic front, Men's Club basketball has returned on Monday and Wednesday nights at the Hartshorn Gym at 8:00PM. This is a fun night of pickup basketball where all skill levels are welcome. Come on down and get your legs moving again.

We were obviously disappointed to have to cancel our inaugural Tailgate Party on Sunday, October 10th due to the rainy conditions, it would have been a very fun and entertaining event but, in the coming months we hope to bring back the community wide Chanukah Party and other events that the Men's Club is famous for. If you want to get involved or have any event ideas, please contact Craig or myself and we will be happy to get you going.

Hope to see all of you soon as we move closer to normalcy. Until then, we both hope everyone

stays healthy, and keeps an eye out for all the upcoming Men's Club events.

David Touger & Craig Rothman
Men's Club Co-Presidents



WELCOME

We are thrilled to welcome the newest additions to our CBI family!

Brittney & Brett Fischer and Jax
Jess Marinoff & Jim Charatan and Eli
Rachel Astalos
Rachel Elinsky & Dan Ambrosio and Noah & Ari
Paula & Ronen Yair and Leora & Max
Esther & Will Brown
Helen Goldfinger
Robin & Rem Johannsen and Ellie & Rosie
Melissa & Aaron Wernick and Maya & Joshua
Lauren Kasiaz & Dan Guan and Miriam

We look forward to getting to know you and wish you many happy & healthy years as valued members of our community!

SISTERHOOD'S MESSAGE

By Debbie Toplansky and Lisa Freedman, Sisterhood Co-Presidents



Debbie Toplansky and Lisa Freedman

By the time you read this, the High Holidays will be over. We hope they were a special and meaningful time for you and your loved ones. As we moved through September, Sisterhood was pleased to sponsor a Sukkot lunch, and hope that many of you were able to enjoy a meal or two in the Sukkah.

Sisterhood also held its 2021 Kickoff Event! The ladies did some learning (about Rosh Chodesh), shopping, schmoozing, and dancing! Next year, in person!

We have some great programs coming up, including the oldies but goodies like Knit & Knosh (and needlework too), Canasta, and Sisterhood Shabbat. Our Rosh Chodesh program will be held on November 4th and we will learn about the mikvah from Cantor Wallach. Sisterhood Shabbat will take place Jan 14-15, 2022. The format has yet to be determined, but please reach out to Chaya Cohen or Miriam Linver to sign up to participate. English and Hebrew parts are available!

Be sure to check the CBI and Sisterhood emails for more upcoming programs. If you're not on the Sisterhood email list but want to be, please email Amanda at aabbate@cbi-nj.org with that request. A big thank you to Sharon Richman & Jennifer Glick for being at the helm of Sisterhood in the most unprecedented of times, but leading with grace & offering some great programs via Zoom.

Debbie Toplansky and Lisa Freedman
Sisterhood Co-Presidents

Yahrzeit Donors – through September 2021

Elayne Feig
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Honoring the Yahrzeit of your loved one is as important to you as it is for the CBI clergy and administrative team. If you have noticed an error with your Yahrzeit records, please reach out to Joi Noel at Jnoel@cbi-nj.org or by phone at 973-379-3811.



Chanukah 2021 CBI Programs/Services

DATE/TIME	PROGRAM	FORMAT
Sun Nov. 28, 10:00am	Journeers Minyan:Chanukah Sephardic songs (led by Len Hausman)	ZOOM
Sun. Nov. 28, 8:00pm	Ma'ariv, light 1 candle	ZOOM
Mon. Nov. 29, 7:30am	Shacharit Minyan with Hallel	ZOOM
Mon. Nov. 29, 9:30 - 10:30am	Adult Learning with Cantor Wallach: Chanukah: Miracles and Music	ZOOM
Mon. Nov. 29, 8:00pm	Ma'ariv, light 2 candles	ZOOM
Tues.Nov. 30, 5:45pm	BBRS candle lighting	In Person
Tues. Nov. 30, 8:00pm	Ma'ariv, light 3 candles	ZOOM
Wed. Dec. 1, 8:00pm	Ma'ariv, light 4 candles	ZOOM
Thurs.Dec.2 7:30am	Shacharit Minyan with Hallel	ZOOM
Thurs. Dec 2, 7:00pm - 8:00pm	Rosh Chodesh Chanukah themed program - CBI Sisterhood	ZOOM
Thurs. Dec. 2, 8:00pm	Ma'ariv, light 5 candles	ZOOM
Fri. Dec. 3, morning	CBI Pre-School Chanukah program	In Person
Fri. Dec. 3, 5:30pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	ZOOM
Sat. Dec. 4 , 9:30am	Shabbat Chanukah (and Rosh Chodesh)	In Person and Zoom/ Livestream
Sun. Dec. 5 , 8:00am	Shacharit Minyan and Hallel: 7th Day of Chanukah and Rosh Chodesh	ZOOM
Sun. Dec. 5 morning	BBRS Chanukah celebration	In Person
Sun. Dec 5, 6:30PM	CBI Men's Club Chanukah Dinner Dance	In Person (RSVP needed)
Sun. Dec. 5, 8:00pm	Ma'ariv, light 8 candles	ZOOM
Mon. Dec. 6, 7:30am	Shacharit Minyan with Hallel	ZOOM
Mon. Dec. 6, 9:30-10:30am	Adult Learning with Cantor Wallach: Chanukah: Miracles and Music	ZOOM





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used winter outerwear

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BRIDGES RUN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Families and
BBRS students
assemble
lunches
8:30-9:30 am

Questions,
to donate clothing
or materials for
lunches,
or to register,
RabbiJulie@
cbi-nj.org,
973-262-3717

Teens and adults
distribute lunches
and donations
in Irvington
10:15-11:30 am

Introducing Our New Executive Director: Paul Gibilisco

We are pleased to announce that the Board of Trustees has hired Paul Gibilisco as our new Executive Director, effective Friday, October 15th, 2021. Paul comes to us from the business world, including roles at AT&T, Intel, and Ameritech. His experience includes product management, database marketing and IT expertise that will enable him to help our *Kehilah* address challenges, capitalize on opportunities and solve problems in a strategic way. Paul resides in Morris County and originally hails from Connecticut. He is a graduate of Trinity College and the NYU Stern School of Business. His wife, Vivian, is a Jewish educator who may be better known to some in the CBI Community as "Miss Vivian".



Paul was selected following a thorough search, and we would like to thank the members of the Executive Director Search Committee: Jamie Beneroff, Angela Cohen, Elizabeth Cohen, David Good, Michael Jurist,

Adam Katzman, Rahel Lubow, Debra Nevis, Carolyn Shane and Paula Touger. This extraordinary group of volunteers helped sort through numerous candidates, conduct interviews and allowed us to complete the search process efficiently. *Kol Hakavod!!*

We look forward to welcoming and working with Paul and know we will be in good hands with his leadership.

Finally, we would like to thank Joel Goldman for serving as Interim Executive Director for the past several months. We appreciate the work he has done and having him as part of our CBI Community during the summer and through the High Holidays. *Todah Rabbah!!*

May we continue to go from strength to strength.

L'Shalom,

Jamey Potechin
President

Dan Dovdavyan
3rd-Vice President
Chair, Executive Director
Search Committee



250 daffodil bulbs. 13 7th graders. 45 minutes of planting to do our part to remember 1.5 million children killed in the Shoah. Kol hakavod!

Shabbat Soulcial

Dinner. Prayer. Singing. Fun.



SHABBAT DINNER

Friday, November 12

Bim Bam Shabbat for Young Families at 4:30 p.m.

Early Family Shabbat Dinner at 5:00 p.m.

This dinner seating is for families with young children attending Bim Bam Shabbat.

Kabbalat Shabbat Service at 5:30 p.m.

Inside at CBI & on Zoom

Late Shabbat Dinner at 6:15 p.m.

This dinner seating will be inside in anticipation of brisk autumn weather.

FREE

Traditional Catered Shabbat Dinner

Kid-friendly, vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free options!



NO COST ... but we need you to register by Sunday, November 7.

**** RSVP online at www.cbi-nj.org ****

Or, call the synagogue office at 973-379-3811.

This Shabbat Dinner is sponsored by Rachel & Jason Wininger and Helaine Ettinger & Henry Bloom to mark their anniversaries – Thank You and Mazel Tov!

If you have an upcoming simcha, please consider sponsoring or partially sponsoring a future Shabbat dinner, so that we can continue to offer them free of charge to the entire CBI community. Groups of families can join to sponsor a dinner together. Please contact Henry Bloom at hdbloom@hotmail.com.



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B'NAI MITZVAH



Jonah Dovdavyan

November 6, 2021

Jonah is a seventh grader at Millburn Middle School. He is very creative and enjoys drawing, painting and writing as well as playing sports, especially basketball and baseball. Jonah roots passionately for his favorite teams: the Yankees, Giants and Islanders, and loves spending time with his family, especially on summer trips to Martha's Vineyard. Sharing in this simcha are his parents, Ruth and Dan, his brother Raffi, his grandparents Cyril and Harriet Mazansky and Michael and Eleanor Dovdavyan, and all his aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. Jonah would like to thank Cantor Wallach and his grandfather, Cyril, for helping him learn his Torah portions and Haftorah as well as Rabbi Isenberg and Rabbi Schwarzwald and everyone in the CBI Community for their help and support in preparation for this day.



Teddy Dybner

November 27, 2021

Teddy is an eighth grader at Maplewood Middle School. He enjoys reading and playing fantasy-based video games and Dungeons and Dragons. Teddy's after-school activities include fencing, Boy Scouts Troop 118 and spending time with his friends at CBI in Kadima, Tichon and as a madrich. Teddy is thankful to Paula Touger, Cantor Wallach, Rabbi Isenberg and Rabbi Julie for all their help in preparing for his becoming a bar mitzvah.



Miles Dybner

November 27, 2021

Miles is in the eighth grade at Maplewood Middle School. Miles is an avid history buff and during the pandemic has developed his family tree, including almost 700 members over six generations. Miles enjoys participating in musical theater, playing Ultimate Frisbee, and hanging out with his friends including Boy Scout Troop 118 and his buddies at CBI. Miles wants to extend his thanks to Cantor Wallach, Rabbi Isenberg and Rabbi Julie for their part in his Jewish education leading up to becoming a bar mitzvah.

Both Teddy and Miles have been active volunteers both at CBI and in the greater Jewish community, lending a hand whenever needed to pack High Holiday deliveries and Purim bags, help move preschool fixtures after Hurricane Ida or pick vegetables for the community food bank. Leading up to becoming b'nai mitzvah, they have set up a coat and winter wear drive to benefit those in need through Bridges Outreach.

Flo Ellen and Richard Maslow 'shep nachus' because their granddaughter, Ella Hope, a top-level competitive ballet, tap, jazz and modern lyrical dancer, was honored this summer by being chosen to attend the Berklee College/Boston Conservatory Theater, Music, Dance intensive and the NYC Joffrey Tap Dancing Intensive. Ella is a sophomore at the Academy of Information and Engineering High School in Stamford, CT.

ISRAEL AFFAIRS

By Joe Tenenbaum



Purchase Israel Bonds!

Thank you to Hank Kaplowitz for speaking about Israel Bonds on Kol Nidre. I hope that many of you have already responded, and I encourage everyone to participate.

The purpose of our Israel Bonds campaign is to encourage many of our members to participate, in whatever amount you feel is appropriate. Purchasing bonds is an investment, not a contribution so the dollars you invest are always yours (or your recipients). And while you are permitted to purchase in large amounts, purchasing in \$36 or \$100 increments is also available. I believe that Israel Bonds make a perfect Bar or Bat Mitzvah (or Chanukah) gift, because Mazal Tov bonds may be purchased beginning at only \$36, and the gift sends the message that bonding with Israel is important to you and to the recipient.

For more information visit Israelbonds.com or call David Brown in the bonds office at (973) 712-1404. Be sure to mention to David that you are with CBI Millburn.

We have had quite a year.

I wrote in the May/June Bulletin about the challenges of our lives during the time of Corona, and about how our relationship with Israel has been affected. I can give you a brief update now.

Nancy and I have been able to visit Israel twice this year, once from April to early June, and once in August to mid-October. During both visits, Corona affected what we were able to do, but, except for the first week in the second visit, we were not in bidud - (pronounced "be dude") Hebrew for quarantine.

During both trips, we were able to visit restaurants (eating outside most of the time), but we always had our vaccination documentation with us. Schools were generally open, but when positive cases occurred there were rules governing who would be in bidud, and for how long.

As I write this in October, I see optimistic press reports on the possible opening of the country for tourists, but all of this is subject to change, the most constant feature

of our current situation.

I am hopeful that as 2021 winds down, many of you who have not been able to travel to Israel, will be able to. If you are going, let me know and then we can share our experiences with the community.

I am taking a little liberty to change the conclusion of the seder, and say, Next Year in the Land of Israel!!

לשנה הבאה בארץ ישראל

Ambucycle dedicated to CBI Millburn - Thank you to Neil Yaris

We would like to thank Neil Yaris who helped collect funds from friends and colleagues of his, and members of our community, and dedicated the life saving Ambucycle as a gift from members and friends of Congregation B'nai Israel, Millburn, NJ. Earlier this year, Neil provided me with a short history of the project:



In the spring of 2017, my mother and I attended the AIPAC Conference. We met the representatives from an organization called "United Hatzalah" in the basement of the hotel and were completely floored by what we heard. A free, first responders unit in Israel that could get to those in need far faster than traditional ambulances, please tell me more! We quickly went to a nearby hotel to meet the founder, Eli Beer, and heard about their success in saving lives in Israel. We were hooked!

Upon our return to New Jersey, I explored starting a mitzvah project with Hatzalah in the name of CBI Millburn. I met with Rabbi Sharon and was encouraged by her to follow thru on my goal to raise the \$36,000 needed to name an ambucycle in honor of CBI. We held an event at CBI in December, 2017. I was given some restrictions in my fundraising, the most important of

which was that this had to be a "Neil Yaris fundraiser". All emails would have to be sent from my personal email address and the formal name of the ambucycle on the Hatzalah website had to be something other than "CBI". With that in mind, I moved ahead.

To date, we have raised over to \$28,000 for the ambucycle. Although I am not quite at the \$36,000 goal, they allowed us to name it at this time. If people wish to donate, they do need to know that it is listed amongst the United Hatzalah mitzvah programs on the website israelrescue.org under the name "Yaris". Going forward, as our ambucycle saves lives, all donors will be updated via email.

Jewish Nation Fund National Conference Oct. 2021

The JNF National Conference scheduled for October in Tel Aviv and other locations is not being held due to the bidud requirements. The event instead transitioned to an online event. The event website is www.JNF.org/nc

Tell us about your Israel or pro-Israel experience!

If you are working with an organization, and you would like to share some information about it with our CBI

community, please let me know (TenenbaumJ@AOL.com).

And as always, if you or family members want to report on an Israel experience, please do so.

Missing Soldiers and non-combatants

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

Guy Hever Yehuda Katz Zvi Feldman

There are also two non-combatant Israelis being held by Hamas in Gaza:

Avera Mangistu Hisham al Sayed

The Government of Israel is continuing its search for the remains of pilot Ron Arad, missing since October 16, 1986.

Joe Tenenbaum



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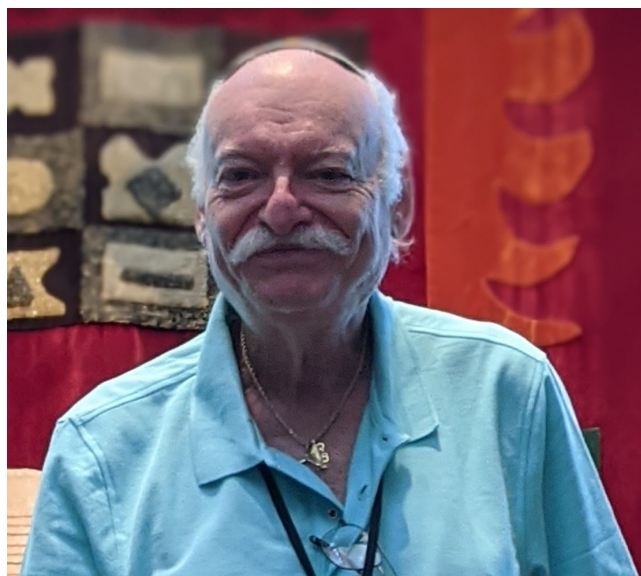
Farewell Message From Your Interim Executive Director

Chaverim:

As is everything in this world, time is fleeting. Although my time here at CBI was short, I enjoyed working with the leadership and volunteers, as we dealt with many challenges over the past 4 months. I cannot underestimate the dedication of the staff, Amanda, Joi, Jane, Rabbi Ari, Rabbi Julie, Cantor Lorna, the custodian corps, headed up by Marlon, who have gone the extra mile to get the job done. It has been a pleasure to be part of that team. Similarly, I am appreciative of the opportunity to meet, and to work with, the members of the Facility Committee, Art Fredman, Nik Minocha, and Jamie Beneroff, who have made it easy for me to get the job done. May you go from strength to strength.

Best Regards,

Joel



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We are very excited to announce our first Journeymen's Minyan of the year. Len Hausman will continue his special series on Chanukah music at 10:00am on Sunday, November 28, with "Beyond 'Ocho Kandelikas:' A Sephardic Chanukah in Song."

All are invited to join, listen, sing along (out loud or on mute, if you prefer) and learn from Len's extensive knowledge of and enthusiasm for the music of Chanukah.

See CBI's weekly announcements for Zoom information.

The CBI Journeymen's Minyan is an opportunity for congregants to get together to discuss and explore topics related to the weekly Torah portion, the liturgy, religious holidays or any other topic related to Jewish life. Discussions are lay-led and are always thought-provoking and enjoyable. If you would like to lead a future Journeymen's Minyan discussion session, please reach out to Susan Gordon at sgordon904@gmail.com.

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