

THE Menorah

NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR RABBI

MAKING CONNECTIONS

One question that the ancient Rabbis ask in many different contexts is “why is this near that?” In the Aramaic shorthand, they query “*mai samuch?*”

Why does one particular Torah law follow another? How is the last word of this week’s Torah portion connected to the first word of next week’s parasha? Why does one phrase, story, or historical episode fall on the heels of another?

These very questions assume that placement is not accidental. Proximity is, inherently, commentary. If we are neighbors, that says something about both of us.

At the end of the summer, two Jewish holidays precede the wave of High Holidays: Tisha B’av, the commemoration of the destruction of the Temples in Jerusalem as well as other national Jewish tragedies, and Rosh Hodesh Elul, the New Moon celebration for the month of reflection that ushers in the High Holidays.

Tisha B’av is the saddest day on the Jewish calendar. Elul is considered to be a time of



special closeness to God, because this is the month when we prayerfully review our last year and engage in an “accounting of the soul.” (The name “Elul” is an acronym for *ani ledodi yedodi li* – I am for my Beloved [God], and my Beloved is for me.)

Tisha B’av is all about disaster, communal suffering, and collapse. The month of Elul is all about redemption, individual growth, and renewal.

The two holidays are just 21 days apart – *Mai samuch Tisha B’av L’elul?*

The juxtaposition, at first, seems jarring. Yet these two extremes occur in life and, therefore, we need to acknowledge both. As Jews, we inherit a history full of persecution and losses. And as Jews, we inherit a tradition that offers us the opportunity to reflect on and improve our lives. We dare not become so mired in our tragedies that we fail to see our opportunities. Suffering can transition into hope; wrongs, into forgiveness and repentance.

It is the fate of human beings that we will, at least a few times in our lives, cry over tragic circumstances beyond our control. And it is the choice of human beings whether or not to act on what we *can* control – like our response to tragedy. In other words, everybody gets a Tisha B’av, but whether we will really have our Elul is up to us.

I look forward to sharing the whole gamut of experience with you. May we notice and celebrate many connections. May we wisely shape the month – Elul – that can shape our year.

Rabbi Debra Orenstein

CALLING ALL READERS!

You know how much the CBI community means to you. So here’s a way to help nurture the “connections” in our community: become a Menorah Patron. All it takes is a simple email to menorah@bisrael.com and the modest Patron fee of \$36 will be added to your temple tab. You don’t even have to take the time to write a separate check.

How easy is that? And what a mitzvah you’ll be doing, helping our CBI community stay connected through the Menorah. Won’t you join the Menorah Movement? All it takes is one quick email. Thanks.

The Editors



CANTOR'S CORNER

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I wasn't going to put anything in the August Menorah, but I'm sure I didn't thank y'all enough for the absolutely glorious "Bar Mitzvah" celebration you held in my honor this past May.

So, this is gonna' be short, but I want to thank each and every one of you who joined in that celebration. It doesn't matter to me if you came for the full evening – and had a blast – or if you had other plans

that precluded you from coming, but you let me know how you felt. That event, and all the love that came with it, was one of the high points of my life.

And to those of you who arranged every little detail and every big detail – and worked your tushies off to make sure that the evening was perfect – THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU!!!

Cantor Lenny Mandel

GREETINGS FROM THE CBI MEN'S CLUB

I hope everyone is having a great summer. Heading into the new year, the Men's Club is looking forward to building our Temple's brand new Sukkah. It promises to be sturdier than the last dwelling and, yes, much easier to set-up. But it won't assemble itself, so watch this space next month for the date when we will need volunteers to help put up the Sukkah. You'll enjoy the camaraderie of your CBI brothers and get the first look at our new Sukkot digs, while doing one of those mitzvahs that are so important to keeping our community a warm and thriving place.

Beyond the High Holidays, the Men's Club is planning an exciting year, filled with a wide range of...

familiar activities. There'll be the Progressive Dinner, the Chanukah Dinner, the Football Dinner, the Lag B'Omer Picnic – do you notice a theme here? – and many more. So watch for announcements, read your Shul Shmooz, and get ready for a terrific year, full of good food and adult beverages (we will card minors...and maybe the occasional major), and opportunities to volunteer and join in all the pre- and post-event fun.

Please contact Men's Club Chairman, David Gordon, with any questions, suggestions, and offers to assist: mensclubdg@bisrael.com or (201) 986-0188.

David

Men's Club Chairman



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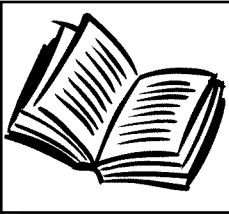
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EDUCATION COMMITTEE NEWS

We hope that everyone is enjoying their summer vacation. We, along with Zahava and the teachers, have been busy preparing and planning for our new school year, which begins on Sunday, September 11th. Since we suspect you'll shop for school supplies before the September *Menorah* comes out, here's what to bring on that first day (and to each Hebrew School session):

- Supplies – 1-inch binder (any color) filled with 5 binder dividers and loose leaf paper, a 2-pocket folder, and pens or sharpened pencils.

- Snack – we suggest your child bring a healthy kosher snack, e.g., pretzels, piece of fruit.

Also, if you have any Hebrew school books at home, please return them as we do re-use our books.

We are planning Junior Congregation for the High Holiday services (first and second days of Rosh Hashana, and Yom Kippur). These children's services will begin at 10 AM and conclude when the main service is finished. They will include prayers, songs and Torah

reading. For younger children, there will be a babysitting room available. More details on Junior Congregation will be sent with the High Holiday letter.

We always welcome our Hebrew School graduates to come back and assist with tutoring. If you have a child who is interested, please contact Zahava at principal@bisrael.com.

We look forward to seeing everyone in September.

*Val Weinstein & Lori Aisenman
Education Co-Chairs*

HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES SCHEDULE

September 24

Selichot, 9 pm

September 28

Erev Rosh Hashanah, 7 pm

September 29,30

Rosh Hashanah, 9 am

Jr. Congregation, 10 am

September 30

Erev Shabbat Shuva, 7 pm

October 1

Shabbat Shuva, 10 am

October 7

Erev Yom Kippur, 6 pm

October 8

Yom Kippur, 9 am

Jr. Congregation, 10 am

Healing Service, 4:30 pm

Mincha, neilah, havdalah,

tekiah gedola, 5:45 pm

Services will end at approximately
7:15 pm

October 12

Erev Sukkot, 7:30 pm

October 20

Shmini Atzeret, 7:30 am - Yizkor

October 20

Simchat Torah, 7:30 pm

HOLIDAY TICKETS 2011/5772

Adult members in good financial standing (paid up to date including 20% of this year's dues) will be receiving High Holiday tickets in the mail by the end of August. Children of members who are under the age of 25 are admitted without tickets.

Additional tickets are needed per the following guidelines:

Tickets for children of members who have reached their 25th birthday must be purchased for \$75 per ticket.

Tickets for family members of all ages who are not CBI members (parents, grandparents, grandchildren etc.), must be purchased for \$75 per ticket. All other outside visitors are \$200 per ticket.

- A ticket is required regardless if attending one day or all days of the holy days.
- A ticket is the same price regardless if attending one day or all days of the holy days.

Tickets are non-transferable.

Please contact **Bruce Sonkin** at **201-358-0129** (day or evening) for additional tickets and/or information.

SISTERS IN THE HOOD

“Summertime and the living is easy,” says the song from “Porgy and Bess,” but Sisterhood is keeping busy this summer. Our end-of-year tea was delightful, with scones, fruit salad, cookies, cakes, wonderful sandwiches (made by honorary Sisterhood member Warren Kuperinsky) and, of course, a variety of teas. Many thanks to our wonderful hostess Joan Zelman. Rabbi Debra shared some stories and thoughts about being a gracious hostess and everyone had fun finding a treasure to take home from the Tricky Tray.

Sisterhood is leading services on Friday, August 5. If you’d like to participate, please let Audrey know. We’re looking forward to being together to welcome Shabbat. **A Latin dance class will be held on Sunday, August 7,** led by Victoria Pasher and Lori Yoselow after minyan and bagel breakfast (although we can’t call it the Z-word, it will be similar!)

Our Ladies’ Night Out at Sertino’s Cafe is a great way to take a break this summer. We are following up our July 12 evening out with an August 16 event at 7pm. Come for a light dinner or dessert and/or tea or coffee (everyone is responsible for their own

tab). Let Lisa know if you can make it, so we have an approximate headcount – and can look forward to seeing you!

Book club is also continuing during the summer. In June, the group took a road trip, holding their meeting at Micki Kuttler’s summer home where they enjoyed a special Shabbat dinner. There was no book club in July. However, we will be meeting on Wednesday, August 10, to discuss *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett at Shelly Birnbaum’s home (thank you for hosting!), and it will include a potluck dinner. In September, the group is reading Willa Cather’s *My Antonia*. If you’d like to receive e-mails about the book club, let Lisa know.

We have two more events planned for September. The first is a Meet-and-Greet for new and returning members. And we’re looking forward to a holiday cooking lesson from Warren. Look in the September *Menorah* for dates and more information. Also, we’re hoping to reschedule the trip to the Jewish Museum in Philadelphia for sometime in the fall. Please come and join us!

Lisa Pollack, Audra Bida & Nancy Passow
Sisterhood Co-Chairs

RITUAL

We hope you have been having a restful and happy summer. Here at CBI, we have continued to have beautiful Erev Shabbat Services, led by our Hebrew school students and graduates along with Rabbi Orenstein. There’s also been our Sunday Morning Minyan, replete with bagels, lox and trimmings.

And we have some exciting and original events coming up. Rabbi Orenstein and her husband, Craig Weisz, are graciously opening their home to the congregation on three Shabbatot this summer for an informal lunch, to mingle and get to know one another better. Some of you may have attended the first of these lovely occasions, entitled “Eat - Pray - Learn,” which was held on **Saturday, July 23**. The other two luncheons will take place on **Saturday, August 20 and 27**, from 12:00 – 1:30 pm. If you would like to join us, please call 201-265-2272 on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday mornings, or email bnaioffice@bisrael.com, to let the Rabbi know which Shabbat luncheon you would like to attend.

Another new event will take place at CBI on Shabbat morning, **August 13**, 10:45 – 11:30am. The UJA has joined forces with PJ Library and Sholom Baby to create a “Tot Shabbat Hopping” program to support the many local synagogues trying to bring

the joys of Judaism to young families, with children ages 6 and under, who might be looking for a place of worship. Shalom Baby and PJ Library are advertising the dates that these Shabbat programs will be taking place, with a promotional blurb about each program.

Our August 13 **“Tot Shabbat”** will give prospective new-member families a chance to meet us without any obligation. But it will also give you a chance to experience CBI in a new way, as well as help us share our enthusiasm and warmth with others. Plus, we conclude this enjoyable short service with our traditional pizza and salads lunch, topped off with ice cream. It’s a win-win-win situation. So, come join us.

And save these dates:

Friday, Sept. 9: Our popular Tailgate Shabbat is returning.

Tuesday, Sept. 13: Adult Ed evening: High Holiday Preparation.

Enjoy the rest of your summer.

See you in Shul!
Linda Spatz, Judy Schoenfeld
Ritual Co-chairs

President's Pen

Although August may appear to be a “slow” time at CBI, it’s actually when year-round plans are made and preparations for the High Holidays begin. But before I look to the upcoming year, I wish to again recognize and thank those volunteers who served on your Executive Board last year. We bid farewell from the Board to: Susan Casper, Bryan & Meryll Effron, Marsha Fleischer, Marilyn Halprin, Lisa London, Jane Trager, and Lori Yoselow. During our Installation and Discharge of Boardmembers, I shared the following words:

*It's been said before, but I'll say it again
I'm lucky to work with quality people and wonderful friends
So, as we say thank you to those - Who from the board
will depart
Know I express my appreciation from the bottom of my heart
And to those who remain and who join us anew
I look forward to a great year and working with each of you!*

So let me also extend my personal appreciation to those who will be a part of our Board for 2011-2012. Now, on to the start of the year.

Just as May was our “Membership Month” – focusing on wonderful programs and opportunities for both our current and potential members to enjoy the unique pleasures of the CBI community – I’d like to call August our “Get-Together Month.”

August 11th will have both a membership BBQ and Open House

on the calendar because, this year, they are one and the same event: an evening of good food, friends and fun for potential members to get to know our B’nai Israel family and learn about CBI -- and for our membership to enjoy one another’s company as the summer draws to a close. How wonderful is that?! We hope you’ll join us – and invite friends and families who might want to see CBI

Yet that’s not the only chance we have to get together this month.

Rabbi Orenstein and Craig will be opening up their home for more Shabbat lunches on **August 20th and 27th at 12:00noon**. Space is limited, so RSVPs to the temple office (bnaioffice@bisrael.com or 201-265-2272) are a must.

Plus, we’re hosting a Tot Shabbat service and lunch on **Saturday, August 13th at 10:45am**. In conjunction with UJA’s “Tot Shabbat Hopping” summer program, we will open our doors to young families – both members and prospective members, with children age 6 and under -- to experience a special Shabbat program and, yes, “get together” on a Saturday morning.

Boardmembers and Committees are already planning programs and wonderful Casual Shabbat services and events for the upcoming year. Keep checking the temple website calendar (www.bisrael.com) and reading the Shul Shmooz for updates and plan to spend time at CBI throughout the year ahead!

*Looking forward to getting together,
Naomi Weinberg, President*

Eat, Pray, Love: Shabbat Lunches at the Orenstein-Weisz Home



Eat, Pray, Love is not just a book and movie title. It’s a description of what Shabbat lunch ought to be. If Elizabeth Gilbert had only added Sing and Shmooze to the list, the description of Shabbat lunch would be perfectly completely.

Our family came to New Jersey and CBI almost exactly one year ago. In some ways, we feel completely at home and settled. In others, we are still “newbies” getting to know the community.

We are hosting two Shabbat lunches in August for CBI members because we would like to get to know you in a setting without stress or time constraints, where the only agenda is Eat, Pray, Love, Sing, Shmooze.

If you were not able to join us at our Shabbat lunch in July, we hope you can make it to one of the ones in August, on the **20th and 27th**. Please call **201-265-2272** on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday mornings to RSVP.

— Craig Weisz and Debra Orenstein

SAC EXCHANGE

On June 19th, SAC attended a comedy event at the Bergen County Academies in Hackensack – Laugh Out Loud, with Joan Rivers, to benefit Gilda's Club of Northern New Jersey, an organization that offers free social support to cancer patients and their families and friends. Opening acts Buddy Fitzpatrick and Freddie Roman were very entertaining. But, of course, the highlight of the show was Joan Rivers. Her irreverent and unconventional comedy kept the audience in stitches. The event raised \$200,000 for Gilda's Club. Well done!

On June 26th, the Social Action Committee and Sisterhood held a Rummage Sale to benefit Community Hospice of Bergen County. It was a huge success. We raised \$1805.00, all of which was donated to Community Hospice. This included a generous check of \$500.00, presented to us by Pastor Tom Korkuch from Westwood United Methodist Church. Thanks go to Beth and George Liepmann, Don and Arlene Fultonberg, Lisa Mendelson, Judy and Howard Newell, Audrey Bida, Naomi, Bruce, Eric and Jason Weinberg, Charlotte Milchman, Victoria Pasher, Sheryl Silver, Bea Spitzer, Paula Javits, Ilene Yashpeh, Alex and David Spatz, Warren Kuperinsky, and Dan Levine for their hard work. Also, a special thanks to both Meryl Kutzin, who donated many new lingerie items, and our beloved secretary, Marie, who donated several beautiful, new pieces of jewelry. We apologize if we missed the names of anyone else who helped us, but please know how much we appreciated your services. We would also like to thank

Donna Bott and the team she brought with her from Community Hospice, who assisted us at the Sale. The sun was beating down on us all day, but the food and refreshments provided by George and Warren gave us the sustenance we needed.

Thanks to an inspirational idea from the Rabbi, and the help of Craig Weisz, Nancy Passow, and David Spatz, a meditative labyrinth was set up on the grounds of the synagogue, on the day of the Rummage Sale. All who walked the labyrinth found it to be a truly peaceful and reflective experience.

SAC will greatly miss Linda Spatz as co-chair and wishes her well in her new role as Ritual Co-chair. Linda's determination, commitment and enthusiasm helped SAC evolve into the active committee it is today. On a positive note, Judy Newell has stepped up to the plate as SAC's new co-chair. Thank you, Judy, for joining the team!! In addition, Ilene Yashpeh and Nancy Kihn agreed to join our team; thank-you, ladies, for volunteering! Please consider joining us at one or more events this year. We welcome new ideas, too, so mark your calendar to attend our first meeting of the year on **Sunday, September 11**, at 10:30am.

Upcoming SAC Events:

The High Holiday Food Drive: 9/11/11 - 10/9/11
Alzheimer's Walk: 10/23/11 at Van Saun Park

—Co-Chairs
Renee & Judy

10 TOP REASONS TO JOIN/ VOLUNTEER WITH SAC:

10. Good for you, relieves stress, and improves mood!
9. Promotes personal growth and self-awareness!
8. You learn a lot!
7. It's fun!
6. Opportunity to connect with your community!
5. It brings people together!
4. Earn community service credits!
3. Encourages civic responsibility!
2. Provides an opportunity to give back and make a difference!
1. Opportunity to practice Tikkun Olam - a core Jewish value!

EVENTS FROM THE RABBI

“Cracking the Code”

On **Thursday, August 25 at 8 pm** is a one-session class which will discuss and de-code both nusach (melodies for High Holiday and Shabbat services) and trope (melodies for chanting the Torah). We will explore the history, the meaning, and the spiritual opportunities behind the way we pray and chant. All are welcome at no charge. Please bring

a non-perishable food item for a local pantry, if you are able.

Workshop

Mah nishtanah -- How will these High Holidays be different from every other High Holiday season? How can we use these days to prepare for a truly new year - with positive change and even transformation? On **September 13, 7:30 pm**,

members of CBI, as well as guests, are welcome to attend free of charge, so feel free to invite family and friends. Kindly bring a non-perishable food item for a local pantry in lieu of tuition. Participants will study Jewish sources and engage in interactive discussion and exercises to enter services primed and prepared for a more meaningful experience in synagogue and a good and exciting year.

THE SISTERHOOD OF CONGREGATION B'NAI
ISRAEL IS HAVING

A Ladies' Night Out

**Tuesday, August 16, 2011
at 7:00pm
Sertino's Cafe**

27 Kinderkamack Road (Next to Dairy Queen) Emerson, NJ
201-265-5550

Come for a light dinner, tea, coffee and/or dessert.
It has been a cold winter. No reservations necessary.
Each person is responsible for her own tab.

However contact Lisa Pollack at
sisterhoodlp@bisrael.com or call 201-750-0546
so we can estimate on how many are showing up at
the restaurant.

Call Lisa with your questions. See you there!

Do you want to learn the latest exercise craze?

It's fun. Come join Congregation B'nai Israel's
Sisterhood as we have an introductory Latin dance
exercise class led by our own Victoria Pasher and
Lori Yoselow.

Don't worry; more experienced
exercisers won't be bored!



**Sunday, August 7, 2011
10:00 a.m. after minyan**

\$5 donation at the door to
Congregation B'nai Israel's
Sisterhood. Please join us!



Please let Lori know if you are coming and feel free to call or
e-mail any of us if you have any questions!

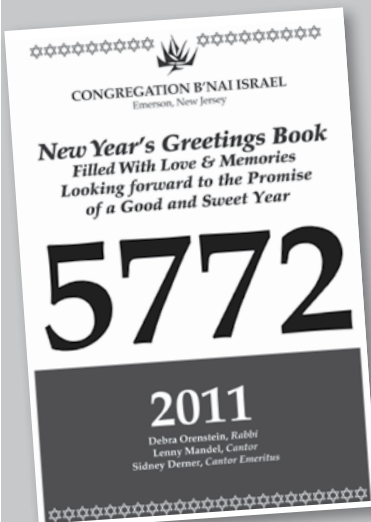
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New Year's Greetings Book
Filled With Love & Memories
Looking forward to the Promise
of a Good and Sweet Year

5772



PREPARATION FOR NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS BOOK NOW UNDERWAY

Congregation B'nai Israel's annual New Year's Greetings Book is currently being prepared. The book provides the perfect opportunity to wish ALL your fellow congregants best wishes for a very happy and healthy new year. It also provides a means to honor grandparents, parents, children, educators, clergy as well as the memories of dear family and friends. You should have received the participation form in the mail recently. Help make this year's book the best ever. Please complete the form and return it to the temple by **August 27**. Additional forms are available at the temple office.

Direct any questions or last minute submissions to **Ways & Means Committee Chairperson, Len Adoff** at waysandmeans@bisrael.com or by calling 201-930-1071.

CANTOR MANDEL'S CELEBRATION



Aleph Siddurim

Sisterhood Tea



Hey Class, Graduation



On May 26th, Matt Silver (son of Sheryl & David Silver) was one of 500 soldiers inducted into the Kfir Brigade of the Israel Defense Forces. The induction ceremony took place at the Kotel in Jerusalem. Matt went to Israel in October to volunteer as a Lone Soldier (non-Israeli citizen with no family in Israel) in the IDF. He will serve as a combat soldier in the Kfir Brigade for a total of 18 months. Joining the Silvers at the induction ceremony were Hanna & Harry Wechsler, who were traveling in Israel at the time and Ayal Pierce, who was attending a year course in Israel with Young Judea.



kehillah partnership

CBI MEMBERS GET A YJCC ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FOR ONLY \$360!



Congregation B'nai Israel, through our participation in the Kehillah Partnership (a Jewish Community Initiative) has been chosen as a pilot synagogue to offer our members a full membership at the YJCC in the Township of Washington at a rate of only **\$360** per year per unit (individual, couple, senior or family) The initial program year will run from **September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2012**

*See flyer insert for more details on this program or contact **Bruce Kasper** at membership@bisrael.com*

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LETTERS

Thank you to our B'nai Israel Family

The Effron/Yomtov families would like to thank everyone for their love and support during these past four months. The difficult times have been nearly overwhelming. But the well-wishes and genuine concern have truly helped us to get through this. Thank you to those that paid shiva calls to Spring Valley and all your well-wishes. It meant a lot for us. And we cannot thank enough Cantor Lenny, Rabbi Debra and Naomi Weinberg for their continuous support. This experience has reconfirmed for us the reasons we joined CBI six years ago, and we really feel like we have an extended family.

Dear Rabbi Orenstein,

I have visited A LOT of Jewish organizations and Temples in the past three years touring with the film - and your congregation was exceptional. I really, really enjoyed the people there and especially the children. Thank you for the invitation. I am glad that so many people were able to enjoy *The Little Traitor*. It was my joy to write, direct, and produce it.

Sincerely,
Lynn Roth

[who screened her film here at CBI in honor of Israel Independence Day]

To my friends in Congregation B'nai Israel,

I am so grateful for all the kindness you have shown me since my accident. The delicious meals, phone calls, rides and words of comfort and support have been very much appreciated.

With love,
Belinda

Thank you for the wonderful basket and for the donation of a tree in Israel.

But, most of all, thank you for your caring support and good wishes at this difficult time.

Fran & Don Segal

Dear Friends,

I want to thank you for the many phone calls and indications of concern during my recent illness. In addition, the delicious meals that were sent to me really cheered me up. You are all so kind and caring. I deeply

appreciate all you have done.

Sincerely,
Betty Richman

Dear Congregation B'nai Israel,

Thank you very much for the kiddush cup and the Jewish Book of Why. I greatly appreciate all your support for my Bar Mitzvah on April 30, 2011, as well as my Hebrew School education.

Sincerely,
Eric Katirachi

Hello Rabbi,

Just a note to thank you for the warmth and caring of your congregation! It was an amazing day for me ... one filled with encouragement, friendship, and joy! (and a few 'sale treasures', too!:) Everyone made me (and my volunteers and family) feel so 'at home' and welcome! It was a day of 'community'!! Thank you!

Walking the labyrinth brought me a sense of calm an opportunity to pray for a new baby in our family who blessed us with her arrival this morning (while I was at the sale!). God's timing is precious.

Once again, thank you from my heart.

Donna Bot

Dear Executive Board,

Thanks so much for the kiddush cup in honor of my bar mitzvah.

Matthew Hirshan

Dear Sisterhood,

Thanks so much for the silver chai necklace in honor of my bar mitzvah.

Matthew Hirshan

Dear Men's Club,

Thanks so much for the Jewish Book of Why in honor of my bar mitzvah.

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Dear Rabbi Orenstein and Cantor Mandel,

Thank you again for all of your help in preparing me for my bar mitzvah.

Matthew Hirshan



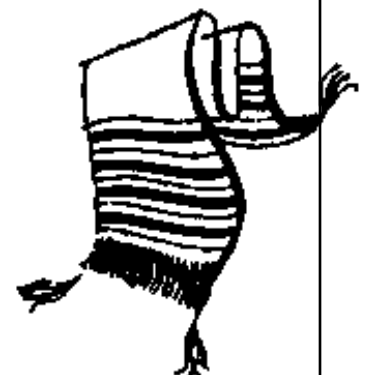
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These wishes are sent with ongoing appreciation and respect

FROM: Naomi Weinberg,
President to CBI 2010-2011
Executive Board

TO: Effrons
In memory of Renee Yomtov
FROM: Naomi & Bruce
Weinberg
TO: Fern Segal
In memory of Sara Fishman
FROM: Paula and Bob
Javits

TO: Bromley family
In memory of Cindi
FROM: Bruce and Naomi
Weinberg

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For Mark's Surgery
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Richie Kargauer
Glad you are on the mend

Mazel Tov

To Harvey Meer on Vanessa's engagement

To Dan and Laurie Levine on the engagement of their daughter Rachel to Nathan Green.

Susan and Marty Pelavin are delighted to announce the engagement of their son David to Abbey Stillman

To Marcia Zelman
Congratulations on your graduation

To Mihal Spitzer,
Best of luck at your new job

AUGUST 2011

Candle Lighting Times: **5:** 7:51 **12:** 7:42 **19:** 7:32 **26:** 7:21

Av-Elul 5771

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|--------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--|---|---|
| | Rosh Chodesh Av 1 | 2 | 7:30pm Board Meeting 3 | 4 | 8pm Sisterhood Jewish Heroines Shabbat 5 | Parashat Devarim Shabbat Chazon 6 |
| 9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 7 10am Latin Dance Exercise Class with Sisterhood | 8 | Tish'a B'av 9 | 10 | 6:30pm CBI Summer BBQ & Open House 11 | 8pm Erev Shabbat Service 12 | 10:45am Tot Shabbat Hopping with UJA + lunch Parashat Vaetchanan Shabbat Nachamu 13 |
| 9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 14 | 15 | 7pm Ladies Night Out at Sertinos with Sisterhood 16 | 17 | 18 | 8pm Erev Shabbat Service 19 | 12pm Shabbat Lunch at Orenstein-Weisz Home Parashat Elkev 20 |
| 9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 8pm Adult Ed "Cracking the Code" 25 | 8pm Erev Shabbat Service 26 | 12pm Shabbat Lunch at Orenstein-Weisz Home Parashat Re'eh 27 |
| 9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 28 | 29 | Rosh Chodesh Elul 30 | Rosh Chodesh Elul 31 | | | |

SEPTEMBER 2011

Candle Lighting Times: **2:** 7:10 **9:** 6:59 **16:** 6:47 **23:** 6:35
28: 6:26 **30:** 6:23

Elul-Tishrei 5771

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|--------------------|--|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | 1 | 8pm Erev Shabbat Service 2 | Parashat Shoftim 3 |
| 9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 4 | Labor Day 5 | 6 | 7:30pm Board Meeting 7 | 8 | 6:30pm "Tailgate" Shabbat dinner & service 9 | 10am Shabbat Morning Service Parashat Ki Teitzei 10 |
| 9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 11 9am First Day Of Hebrew School 9-11 Ceremony in Emerson | 12 | 4pm Hebrew School 13 7:30pm High Holiday | 14 | 15 | 8pm Erev Shabbat Service 16 | 10am Shabbat Morning Service Parashat Ki Tavo 17 |
| 9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 18 9am Hebrew School | 19 | 4pm Hebrew School 20 | 21 | 22 | 7pm Inter-Generational Drumming Circle 8pm Erev Shabbat Service 23 | 10am Shabbat Morning Service 24 Parashat Nitzavim-Vayeilech 9pm Selichot |
| 9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 25 9am Hebrew School | 26 | 4pm Hebrew School 27 | Erev Rosh Hashana 28 7pm Erev Rosh Hashanah Service | Rosh Hashanah 5772 29 7pm Rosh Hashanah Service | Rosh Hashanah II 30 9am Rosh Hashanah Service 7pm Erev Shabbat Service | |

AUGUST YAHRZEITS

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|-----------------------|--------|----------|
| Solomon Hodus | Av 2 | 08/02/11 |
| Marianne Wolfsie | Av 2 | 08/02/11 |
| Ludwig Hirsch | Av 3 | 08/03/11 |
| Gloria Robbins | Av 3 | 08/03/11 |
| Adele Feldman | Av 4 | 08/04/11 |
| Eugenia Gorfinkiel | Av 4 | 08/04/11 |
| Samuel Stahl | Av 4 | 08/04/11 |
| Michael Swire | Av 5 | 08/05/11 |
| Abraham Prager | Av 6 | 08/06/11 |
| Gustave Diamond | Av 6 | 08/06/11 |
| Albert Marvel | Av 6 | 08/06/11 |
| Nehama Amity | Av 6 | 08/06/11 |
| Martin R Farber | Av 9 | 08/09/11 |
| Ernest Margolies | Av 9 | 08/09/11 |
| Pauline Buller | Av 10 | 08/10/11 |
| Benjamin Derner | Av 11 | 08/11/11 |
| Frida Faltitschek | Av 12 | 08/12/11 |
| Ruth Ratner | Av 12 | 08/12/11 |
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| Samuel Weinstein | Av 13 | 08/13/11 |
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| Bernard Reiff | Av 14 | 08/14/11 |
| Morris Saltsberg | Av 15 | 08/16/11 |
| Ruth Bluestein | Av 16 | 08/16/11 |
| Ralph Levi | Av 17 | 08/17/11 |
| Howard G Wollin | Av 19 | 08/19/11 |
| Florence Kaufman | Av 19 | 08/19/11 |
| Rose Siegel | Av 20 | 08/20/11 |
| Michael Sadowsky | Av 20 | 08/20/11 |
| Arthur Horowitz | Av 24 | 08/24/11 |
| Lee Holtzman | Av 24 | 08/24/11 |
| Esther Sadowsky | Av 25 | 08/25/11 |
| Jack Wieder | Av 25 | 08/25/11 |
| Benjamin D Fassler | Av 25 | 08/25/11 |
| Bessie Jaffe | Av 26 | 08/26/11 |
| Stanley Harris Radin | Av 27 | 08/27/11 |
| Edwin F Lanceit | Av 27 | 08/27/11 |
| Bernard Pelavin | Av 28 | 08/28/11 |
| Abraham Radin | Av 28 | 08/28/11 |
| Leo Rosengart | Av 30 | 08/30/11 |
| David Yashpeh | Elul 1 | 08/30/11 |
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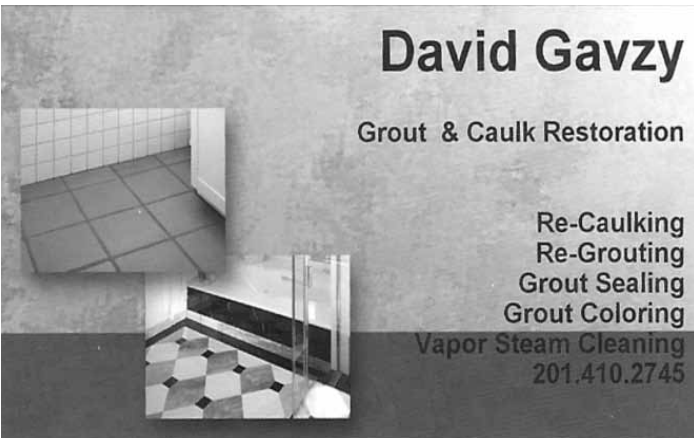
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