



THE Menorah

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR RABBI



CHOOSING TO BE HAPPY

Dear Friends,

This month includes the holiday of Sukkot, also called “*zeman simchateynu*”—the Time of Our Rejoicing. Sukkot is the only holiday on which we are commanded to be happy. It’s easy and fun to be happy on Purim. Simchat Torah is obviously joyous – the name means “joy of the Torah.” We are encouraged to find *oneg Shabbat* – pleasure in Shabbos. In fact, according to the Torah itself, all of the commandments were given to us for our good, our benefit, and our enjoyment. But on Sukkot, we *must* be happy.

The obvious question arises: how can you be *commanded* to be happy? What if you happen to have a tragedy at that time of year? What if you are just in a bad mood?

The commandment to be happy on Sukkot teaches an important lesson: we have the power to choose our mindsets. No matter what blessings some people have, they will find a way to be miserable. And no matter how many difficulties some people bear, they manage to find something – or create something – that will cheer them. By saying, “you must be happy today,” the Torah is teaching us that it is possible to be happy any

day, regardless of our circumstances. We can overcome negative inclinations. Joy is always attainable. Like Torah, it is “at our hands and in our mouths, to do it.”

Over the course of Rosh Hashanah, I discussed some of the teachings and stories of Rabbi Nachman of Bratzlav. Reb Nachman believed that being happy was one of the most important mitzvot. He was very stringent on this mitzvah and extended the obligation beyond Sukkot, to cover the entire year. He wrote, “A person is obligated to be happy continually.” Below are some of his most famous instructions on how to cultivate happiness.

“Always remember: Joy is not merely incidental to your spiritual quest. It is vital.”

“Finding true joy is the hardest of all spiritual tasks. If the only way to make yourself happy is by doing something silly, do it.”

“Today you feel up. Don’t let yesterdays and tomorrows bring you down.”

“If despite your desire to be happy you feel down, draw strength from happier times gone by. Eventually, joy will return.”

“If you don’t feel happy, pretend to be. Even if you are downright depressed, put on a smile. Act happy. Genuine joy will follow.”

“Get into the habit of singing a tune. It will give you new life and fill you with joy.”

“Get into the habit of dancing. It will displace depression and dispel hardship.”

“Always wear a smile. The gift of life will then be yours to give. Sometimes, people are terribly distressed but have no one to whom they can unburden themselves. If you come along with a happy face, you cheer them and give them new life.”

“Most people think of forgetfulness as a defect. I consider it a great benefit. Being able to forget frees you from the burdens of your past.”

“Never despair! Never! It is forbidden to give up hope.”

“If you believe that you can damage, then believe that you can fix. If you believe that you can harm, then believe that you can heal.”

“Remember: Things can go from the very worst to the very best... in just the blink of an eye.”

Throughout 5772, may each of us, following Reb Nachman, discover our own ways of achieving happiness and of bringing joy to others.

*Wishing you a good, sweet, and
HAPPY New Year,
Rabbi Debra Orenstein*

CANTOR'S CORNER

Our sanctuary was filled, SRO, and it wasn't the high holidays or Beatles' Shabbat. It was the funeral of Ike Gavzy. It had been a long haul for Ike, Jamie and Sam, and they fought his insidious illness together until, spent and weary, Ike left this world to follow a path to Olam HaBah, the world to come, and eternal peace. What a warm, loving, giving family CBI proved itself to be once again, as members flocked to help, day and night, both during Ike's illness and after he passed on.

I have some wonderful "Ike" stories that bring a smile to my lips sitting here writing, and I told a few in my eulogy. For instance, I wore a hand-painted tie to the funeral that looks like the Milky Way (not the candy bar) that Shelly bought at a craft fair. When I wore that tie to Shul many years earlier, Ike walked up to me and asked: "Did Wayne make you that tie in kindergarten?" Usually very quick to respond, I made the horrible mistake of hesitating. Ike's lips curled up into the "Ike grin," his eyes sparkled as he jumped right on it. "Oh, no," he said. "Don't tell me that you bought that from some artist at a craft fair like it was a piece of art." I looked up at Ike: "No, no, no," I stuttered. "Wayne made it for me in kindergarten."

Ike used to wink at me whenever he walked into Shul. Shelly and I were up in Vermont in August when we got the news, and tears flowed freely down my face. That night after dinner, under a gorgeous Vermont sky, Ike continuously winked at me, because he was one of the brightest stars out there. I fondly remember our congregants who have gone on to Olam HaBah, and I smile

remembering some of their shtick as well. I knew some better than others, but I didn't have the relationship with them that I had, and still have, with the Kreiman/Gavzy family.

By the time you read this, we'll have celebrated Rosh HaShanah and be heading toward Yom Kippur. Although I haven't heard, nor am I privy to, what Rabbi Orenstein will be speaking about, I'm sure it will be wonderful. I've spent a lot of time in many synagogues all over the world. Admittedly, until CBI, I was mostly in the pews and not on the Bimah. But if you come to Shul on Friday nights, you would see that I leave the Bimah and go down into the pews when our Rabbi speaks. It never fails to amaze me that it always feels as if she is speaking directly to me, and I know that many of our congregants feel exactly the same.

There are plenty of horror/funny stories involving Rabbis and Cantors on the Bimah; here's one of mine. Many years ago, I worked with a Rabbi who, to be kind, wasn't the nicest guy. After services ended on the first day of Rosh HaShanah, he called me over to berate me about some nonsensical BS that irritated him during my davening. I turned to him and said: "Listen to me, Rabbi. They don't walk out of this sanctuary humming your sermons!" How interesting that I believe that many of you do walk out "humming" (for lack of a better word) Rabbi Orenstein's words.

May I once again add the Mandel family's wishes for an easy fast and a g'mar chatimah tovah (May you be inscribed (in the Book of Life) for Good).

Cantor Lenny Mandel

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SISTERS IN THE HOOD

L'Shanah Tova! In September, Sisterhood welcomed new and returning members – on the first day of Hebrew School and again at the annual Meet & Greet (if you didn't get a copy of the recipe for Lisa's yummy spiced-honey chocolate cake, send her an e-mail and ask for one: sisterhoodlp@bisrael.com). The holiday cooking lesson with Warren was fun, as always (thank you, Warren!), and all the attendees now have a new chicken recipe to try. The book club discussed Willa Cather's *My Antonia* over a yummy potluck dinner at Shelly Birnbaum's house. Thank you, Shelly, for your hospitality; your garden was as beautiful as ever.

Ladies' Night Out returns in October, but we'll be doing something special. We're meeting on **Monday, October 17**, at 7:00pm, in the Temple's new Sukkah (date might change, so keep an eye on the *Shul Shmooz*). Join us for a little nosh and some conversation (please let Nancy know if you can come, so we can plan on how much food to have: sisterhoodnp@bisrael.com).

We are teaming with the Social Action Committee to support two walks this month: the **American Cancer Society's Making Strides against Breast Cancer, Sunday, October 16**, at the new Overpeck Park in Ridgefield Park, and the **Walk to End Alzheimer's Disease, Sunday, October 23**, at Van Saun Park in Paramus. Lisa is team captain for Making Strides against Breast Cancer – let her know if you'd like to join the team or if you'd like the CBI team to walk in honor or memory of anyone. If you're interested in the Alzheimer's Walk, see the Social Action Committee notice in this *Menorah*.

We are also participating in the "**One People, One Book**" project, sponsored by the Synagogue Leadership Initiative. Several synagogues in the North Jersey area are reading the same book this year, with various events sponsored by our synagogue and others. This book will be our October book club selection. Books can be purchased at the synagogue; watch the *Shul Shmooz* for details. And mark your calendars for the annual **Progressive Dinner**, sponsored by Sisterhood and the Men's Club: Saturday, November 19, 2011. If you're interested in hosting a dinner or dessert, please let Lisa know. Remember to **renew your Sisterhood membership** (or join for the first time) – the form is in the newsletter!

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

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE 2011/5772

SHABBAT SHUVAH
Saturday, October 1 10:00 A.M.

EREV YOM KIPPUR
Friday, October 7 6:00 P.M.

YOM KIPPUR
Saturday, October 8 9:00 A.M.
Junior Congregation 10:00 A.M.
Healing Service 4:30 P.M.
Mincha, Neilah, Havdalah, 5:45 P.M.
Tekiya'ah Gedolah

EREV SUKKOT
Wednesday, October 12 7:30 P.M.

SHMINI ATZERET
Thursday, October 20 7:30 A.M.-Yiskor

SIMCHAT TORAH
Thursday, October 20 7:30 P.M.

Please extend a hearty welcome to the following new members:

Edmund and Rosemary Shashoua

David Schwartz

Jodi Paulen, Avery and Jared

Ellen & Andy Kaufman, Rachel, Benjamin
and Joshua

Jill & Scott Hayden, Bari and Harlee

Joseph & Meryl Rosenthal, Margolit and Leah

Rayna & Glen Pine, Zach and Madison

Debbie e & Steven Maron, Danielle
and Jessica

Debra & Jeremy Shapiro, Toby, Sarah
and Abby

Lori & Steven Cohen, Lily, Ella, Judith
and Emily

Peter & Michelle Silver, Ethan and Noah

Stephanie & Jeffrey Brenner, Jessica
and Samantha

Audra Landau & Eric Van Gyzen, Isabel
and Max

President's Pen

“Community of People” -- Such a simple phrase

Yet it impacts our lives each and every day

We live in different neighborhoods --

With friends from all around

Yet here at CBI, the closeness is profound

Our local and larger Jewish community continues to survive

But the CBI community and family is where together we thrive

October's *Menorah* arrives in the midst of the High Holy Days as 5772 begins. However, as I write this article, Hurricane Irene has only just passed, leaving downed trees, flooding, and power outages behind. Why do I link these events? Perhaps because I expect that each of us has been or will continue to be impacted by them. Irene arrived at the tail end of 5771 – leaving my home without power for 24 hours. Friends reached out – expressing concern and offering to help. I value these individuals, who are always there for me and know I am there for them. I considered these relationships and realized that many began at CBI – initially getting to know one another as fellow Hebrew School families, through attending CBI programs and services, and, yes, through sitting next to one another at Board meetings over the years. Knowing I'll see friends at CBI adds to my joy and the togetherness of a Casual Shabbat or traditional service, or as we share more serious moments at High Holiday services or on Yom HaShoah.

The High Holidays are a time to take a closer look at ourselves

and reflect upon the past year. In 5771, we shared Jewish tradition, tender moments and, of course, good food. In 5772, we have a chance to build upon familiar, treasured relationships and start new ones. There rarely is a specific instant when a new, incredible connection is made. Rather, it evolves and then, one day, we realize how truly fortunate we are to have special people and this temple in our lives.

So, find your place in the CBI community by attending and/or volunteering at a program or service. Put up our new sukkah with the community of Men's Club volunteers. Celebrate the newest members of our B'nai Israel community at our first "Rock and Roll" Casual Shabbat. Take walks to support causes with Social Action and Sisterhood. Be a part of the B'nai Israel community of "Torah holders" as we unfurl the Torah once again at Simchat Torah services. There are plenty of opportunities to connect with this magnificent group – fellow Jews who share your varied interests and goals.

Community may seem like a simple 9-letter word. But its potential to enrich our lives cannot be measured. I know that each of you is not only part of the larger Jewish community, but also a valuable member of our B'nai Israel community, which makes up our B'nai Israel family. I can't wait to share the year ahead with you!

L'Shanah Tovah

Naomi Weinberg, President

Join us for These Activities to Enjoy Ike's Sukkah

Oct. 14- 6:15 Shabbat Dinner (before the Casual Shabbat service)

Oct. 17 – Sisterhood ladies night out in the sukkah. 7pm

Oct. 18 -- Rabbi's dinner in the sukkah. 6pm

Oct. 20 -- Rabbi's breakfast in the sukkah following Yizkor. 8am



**Get Well
Wishes**

**Vivienne
Levinson**

RITUAL

September ushered in the beginning of our very active CBI schedule. It was exciting to greet our friends after the long summer and join together for our beautiful Rosh Hashanah services led so eloquently by Rabbi Orenstein and Cantor Mandel. It is always wonderful to welcome Cantor Derner back to the bimah each year at this time.

We started the month with our annual Tailgate Shabbat, where we donned our favorite team shirts and caps. We stuffed ourselves with hot dogs, hamburgers and all the trimmings before we all joined the Rabbi and Cantor for our special Casual

Shabbat. Football facts mingled with special melodies for a wonderful experience.

Our unique Intergenerational Drumming Circle also resumed this past month to the delight of many. This engaging service is held on the fourth Friday of the month at 7:00 pm, and all are welcome. Traditional services follow at 8:00 pm.

October ushers in Yom Kippur with Kol Nidre services chanted so meaningfully by Cantor Mandel, beginning at 6:00pm, Friday evening, October 7.

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“WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM MY FRIENDS”

A Salute to the 2011-2012 Executive Board & Volunteers

By Naomi Weinberg, President

(With some assistance from Lennon & McCartney)

I wish to personally thank the individuals who have volunteered their time to keep Congregation B'nai Israel running and as wonderful as it is. Using Beatles' song titles, I hope I can truly express my gratitude to Boardmembers, Committee Chairpersons, Volunteers, and our staff, who have taken on responsibilities throughout the upcoming year.

Membership, ably handled by **BRUCE KASPER**, is more than happy to introduce new members to CBI from Hillsdale or anywhere [Across the Universe](#).

Ritual Chairpersons **JUDY SCHOENFELD** and **LINDA SPATZ**, in close collaboration with Rabbi Orenstein and Cantor Mandel, insure that we have traditional and special services that may take us on a [Magical Mystery Tour](#), filled with creativity and inspiration.

Co-Chairs **LORI AISENMAN** and **VAL WEINSTEIN** [Get Back](#) to basics, insuring our children receive a complete Jewish education to take with them throughout their lives. **ROBIN DUBIN**, as B'nai Mitzvah Coordinator, makes the preparation and process smoother so each simcha is memorable and each parent can say, [I Feel Fine](#).

Paying our bills and tracking our dues and other payments are capably handled by both Treasurer **DAVID SILVER** and Financial Secretary **PETER REIFF**, who insure our books are in order and far from [Helter Skelter](#). If you have a Menorah article, just

email **DAVID GREEN** or shout out, [Hey Jude](#) to **JUDY SAMUELS**, and they'll edit and print so we can say, [Please Mr. Postman](#), has my temple newsletter arrived yet?

House and Grounds chairs **DAN LEVINE** and **STEVE TANCER** care for our outside landscaping, perhaps [Fixing a Hole](#), and address the inside needs of our building, whether made of tile, oak, or [Norwegian Wood](#).

Although not a [Paperback Writer](#), Recording Secretary **FRED PIERCE** prepares Minutes that are both informative and creative. **CATHY GORDON**, as our Corresponding Secretary, insures our events and successes are shared with the area press and websites, so people [Here, There, and Everywhere](#) will hear about the wonders of CBI.

DAVID GORDON and the Men's Club keep us busy with [A Hard Day's Night](#) at the poker tables and sporting events at Cornerstone, and Sisterhood co-presidents **LISA POLLACK**, **NANCY PASSOW**, and **AUDREY BIDA** will provide many reasons for those Sisters to [Come Together](#) for book club, ladies' nights out, cooking, and more.

[It Won't Be Long](#) before each of us is again reminded of all that Facilities chairpersons **BETH LIEPMANN**, **BEA SPITZER**, and **JOAN ZELMAN** do for CBI – days won't go by without us enjoying bagels, eating platters-full of exquisitely sliced and visually beautiful fruit, and seeing that our fridge and

pantry are stocked with everything we need to share.

[Do You Want to Know a Secret?](#)

Your Board's three Vice Presidents and our Trustees have years of Board experience, and work closely to support specific committees in addition to helping out whenever needed. Our wonderful Vice Presidents: **IDELLE SCHWINDER**, **ROBIN PIERCE**, and **DAVID SPATZ**. The incredible Trustees, all of whom are past Presidents: **MERYL KUTZIN**, **ALLAN MILLSTEIN**, **GARY SCHWINDER**, **JAMIE KREIMAN**, and **LEN ADOFF** also work along with our many committees and do more than any of us realize because they are always there to [Help!](#)

It feels like only [Yesterday](#) that **SHERYL SILVER** became the Immediate Past President. Sheryl, like the Trustees and other boardmembers, not only works with various committees, but is always there to share great advice and greatly-appreciated support, and has encouraged me to [Act Naturally](#) and do the best I can as your President.

Many other people make our lives better at CBI. You don't have to [Tell Me Why](#) our Social Action Committee, with its many mitzvot, is so successful: Co-Chairpersons **RENEE KUPERINSKY** and **JUDY NEWELL**. Just like you, if I want a Fund Card sent or need additional High Holiday tickets, [All I've Got to Do](#) is contact **BRUCE** and **ELLEN SONKIN**. **BOB** and **PAULA JAVITS** help us to honor the memory of our loved ones through memorial

plaques and insure we receive yearzeit notifications. Thanks to **BARRY BLUESTEIN**, siddurim fill our pews and students' backpacks. We recognize people and special events with tree of life leaves in the lobby, thanks to **BOB GREENBLATT**. "Focus on Israel" is exciting and new, led by **ROBIN PIERCE** and **JAMIE KREIMAN**. [You Won't See Me](#) on Palisade Avenue, putting letters on our notice board, because **HOWARD GRUBER** makes sure our events are there for all to see. Our Good & Welfare Committee always reaches out, thanks to **MERYL KUTZIN** and **IDELLE SCHWINDER**, plus Meryl runs our Gift Shop and Idelle assists with some memorial tasks and keeps those foodstore debit cards available. And this year, if you want to honor a simcha or an achievement, just contact **SUSAN CASPER**, who is chairing [Something new](#): our Illustrated Torah campaign. Even though they are not Board or committee members, I wish to also thank **MARIE** in our office; **ZAHAVA** and our Hebrew School teachers; **BETTIE**, who sets up our onegs; and **DIANE**, who makes our home look good as new.

[In My Life](#), I've never worked with a more committed and skilled group of individuals. [Don't Ask Me Why](#) these amazing people do all they do. Ask them yourselves. I suspect you will hear that the rewards and friendships they have gained over the years far outweigh the time and incredible efforts they freely have given and continue to give to CBI. So, let's get [All Together Now](#) and help all of these individuals make things happen!

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We hope you will all join us for Sukkot Services, October 12, at 7:30 pm in our brand new Sukkah. On Friday, October 14, we will have a Sukkot buffet dinner at 6:00 pm, followed by our Rock and Roll Casual Shabbat at 7:30 pm.

To end this very busy week, we hope you will join us for our Family Shabbat program on Saturday, October 15, 10:45 am–11:30 am in the Library. This year we are changing the format. We will all pray together and then break into 2 groups: up to 6 years old and 7–10 years old. Cantor Mandel will be joining us and will lead the older group in a very special Torah discussion. There will be a puppet show about Abraham, Sarah and the Visitors for the younger children. The Dalet/Hey learning service

will be held in the Sanctuary that morning with Rabbi Orenstein at 10:00am. Although the service is labeled Dalet/Hey, it is open to the entire congregation. All three services end at 11:30 am, at which time, we all meet for pizza, salad and ice-cream in the Social Hall.

The following week concludes our High Holiday season with the joyous celebration of Simchat Torah on October 20, at 7:30 pm. Come join us to dance and sing with the Torahs.

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



The Principal's Pen

Shalom Chaverim,

I am delighted to join the CBI community for another great year, working with its Hebrew School. In our school, we have the opportunity to learn together about our rich Jewish heritage, studying different aspects of Jewish life through both historical and modern perspectives.

We provide the best Jewish education by challenging each student, but doing so within a warm and nurturing environment, so he or she will have the Jewish values that we instill and foster. Another important capability we teach in our program is for the students to be familiar with the Siddur and the prayers. We hope that each child explores our T'filot in the Siddur.

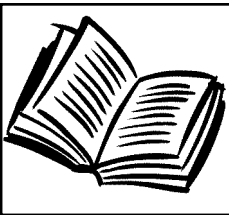
To help us fulfill all these goals, we have an amazing and experienced teaching staff. Our teachers provide strong

resources and a supportive environment that motivates the students to learn. As always, however, we need your support and cooperation as parents if we are to achieve our objectives and give these children a solid foundation in Judaism.

Again this year, I am happy to report that our Hebrew School will join the Kehila program at the YJCC in Washington Township. The program will enrich our students' learning and will present them with opportunities to meet their peers from other shuls in Bergen County.

I wish you all the best, a shana tova, B'hatzlacha, and I look forward to an excellent, exciting and successful year.

*Le'hitraot,
Zahava*



EDUCATION COMMITTEE NEWS

We wish everyone L'Shana Tova. Our school year started off well and we were lucky to have the High Holidays come later this year, so we could get a few classes in. It's so nice to see all our teachers and students again, and we welcome all of our new students. Last month, we forgot to mention that Morah Hanna will be teaching again this year. Hanna teaches our students about the Holocaust and we are so grateful to have her at our school. Thank you, Hanna!!

We are writing this article before the holidays, but are sure that our principal, Zahava, and her daughter, Shiri, are going to do a wonderful job with Junior Congregation this year. We thank both of

them for leading these services. We also would like to thank all of our parent and teen volunteers, who assisted in Junior Congregation services and babysitting.

We will be scheduling a Hebrew School Parent Open House after the holidays. This Open House is an opportunity for all parents to meet Zahava Gall, our principal, and learn more about the curriculum. In the winter, we will once again have the School Visitation where you can sit in a classroom and observe your children learning. Parents who attended this last year thought it was a great experience.

Our Dalet students will be attending the first of six **Kehillah Partnership Workshops at the YJCC in Washington**

Township on Sunday, October 23.

Parents are encouraged to attend as well on October 23, to participate in a program tailored to the parenting needs of sixth graders. The Kehillah Partnership includes eleven area synagogues and the theme is "Israel Through the Cultural Arts." All Dalet students should have registered for this program. If you did not, please contact one of us and we will get it to you. Our Dalet students that attended last year thought the program was great.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any suggestions or questions.

*Val Weinstein & Lori Aisenman
Education Co-Chairs*

SAC EXCHANGE

URGENT REQUEST: Hurricane Irene has devastated so many in our surrounding communities. Please contact Stacey Orden of Bonim Builders at StaceyO@jfnj.org if you would like to help. Volunteers need to be 16 or older.

The High Holiday Food Drive ends on October 9. Begin the New Year by doing a mitzvah!! In the aftermath of Hurricane Irene, the need to help our neighbors who have lost so much is greater than ever. Please do your part by filling up shopping bags with requested items. Drop them off in the temple lobby and we'll do the rest. See flyer. Also join Sisterhood and SAC in the Breast Cancer walk on Sunday, October 16. Please contact Lisa Pollack to join her team and for more information.

Please plan to sign up and register to join team CBI/Emerson for the "Walk to End Alzheimers" on October 23 by visiting www.alz.org/nj. This is SAC's third year participating in this well-organized and attended event at nearby Van Saun Park in Paramus. It is more than a walk to raise money and awareness about this dreaded disease: it is an experience. Participants will walk side by side to support Alzheimer's Association efforts to raise funds for research and to provide care and support services for the more than 350,000 NJ residents living with Alzheimers. The walk is a pleasant three

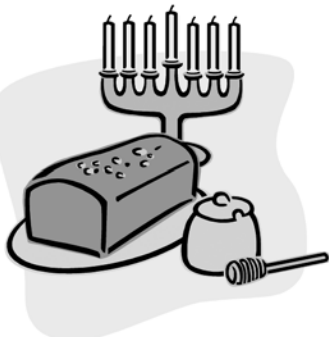
miles. There will be refreshments, an opportunity to win prizes, entertainment, and celebrity appearances. Start spreading the word to your friends and neighbors and bring the kids. Contact Renee at socialactionrk@bisrael.com for any questions. Registration forms can be found in the CBI lobby.

From Sunday, October 16, through Sunday, November 6, SAC is participating in two collection drives for new and gently used shoes. They will go to "Soles4Souls," an organization that helps victims of disasters and poverty around the world. Look for collection bins in the lobby.

In addition, SAC will make a return visit to the Hackensack shelter on Mitzvah Day, Sunday, November 6. This is one of SAC's most popular and rewarding experiences. We will help prepare and serve a full dinner at the Housing, Health, and Human Services Center in Hackensack, between 4 and 6pm. If you are interested in securing a spot, please contact Renee at 201-967-0074 or socialactionrk@bisrael.com, or Judy at socialactionjn@bisrael.com by October 26. We will have a planning meeting at CBI on the morning of Sunday, October 30, to give out assignments and discuss the event.

—Co-Chairs
Renee & Judy

YOM KIPPUR BREAK-THE-FAST MEAL



Saturday, October 8th
Congregation B'nai Israel

Immediately following evening services at Temple, we will hold our first Break-the-Fast Meal in the back of the social hall. (The usual Break-the-Fast snack will be offered in the lobby following evening services.)

Seating is limited to the first 70 people that send in payment.

\$20.00 per adult; **\$12.00** for children UNDER 13 —*Payable in full with RSVP by mail*

R.S.V.P. for CBI Break-the-Fast Meal • Saturday, October 8th

Last Name: _____

Adult First Name(s): _____ Children's First Name(s): _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

_____ No. of Adults x \$20 = \$ _____ No. of Children x \$20 = \$ _____ TOTAL \$ _____

RSVP form & payment are due no later than **Monday, Sept 26th**

Check must be included with this RSVP form. Sorry, no phone or email RSVPs. We cannot bill your temple account for this event.

Please make your check payable to: CBI and mail it to: **Meryl Kutzin, 19 DeBerg Drive, Old Tappan, NJ 07675**

For questions please contact: **Meryl** at **201-906-0224** or **Joan** at **201-693-1978**

GREETINGS FROM THE CBI MEN'S CLUB

To all, L'shanah Tova. This upcoming year promises to be an exciting one for the Men's Club, starting off with the traditional **assembling of the Sukkah on Sunday, October 9**, at 9:30am. But this year won't be like any previous year of Sukkah-building.

This year, we build a brand new Sukkah, with modern construction, snap-together connectors, a fresh new canvas...and built-in memories. This will be no ordinary Sukkah. This is "Ike's Sukkah," dedicated to long-time CBI member, Ike Gavzy.

So come join us on the morning of October 9 – not just to assemble a Sukkah, not just to prepare for the next major holiday, but to take part in a uniquely special moment of community and loving-kindness.

Two weeks later, on **Sunday, October 23**, also at 9:30am, we again need volunteers to help **disassemble the Sukkah** – because we can't always depend on the north wind to take it down.

Then, once the Sukkah is put away, it's time to take out the playing cards for our annual **Poker Night on Wednesday, October 26**, at 7:30pm. So get out your armbands and green eyeshades, come to the shul...and let the chips fall where they may.

Throughout the upcoming year, the Men's Club calendar is populated with all our "usual suspects" popular events, such as Progressive Dinner and Chanukah dinner! We welcome all members to help with any of our events – and to become members of Men's Club (see membership flyer inserted in this *Menorah*). A portion of this year's Men's Club dues will go towards the purchase of Ike's Sukkah. We particularly welcome new members to join us in genuine CBI camaraderie like you can't get anywhere else.

If you have questions or suggestions, please contact Men's Club President, David Gordon at mensclubdg@baisrael.com

David Gordon



MEN'S CLUB MEMBERSHIP 2011-2012

Suggested Dues: \$36*

This year, a portion of the dues goes to the "Ike's Sukkah" fund

CBI Men's Club Membership

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Please send completed form and your check for **\$36** to
Congregation B'nai Israel, Attn: Men's Club, PO Box 345, Emerson, NJ 07630



CBI's new Sukkah will be dedicated

in honor of Ike Gavzy on

Wednesday evening, **October 12**,

following Erev Sukkot services.

"Ike's Sukkah" was purchased

through generous donations by

three Congregation B'nai Israel

families and the Men's Club of

Congregation B'nai Israel.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Membership had quite a busy summer, almost missing out on the pool. But it was all worthwhile, since it has led to 15 new members, including two families that have rejoined CBI. We benefitted from the momentum of last year's strong recruiting season, led by Sara and Lonnie Robinson, which produced many active new members – and a particular concentration from Hillsdale. Last year's new Hillsdale faction and our seasoned Hillsdale member base were influential in helping bring on the next wave of Hillsdale members, which totaled 10 of the 15 new families. Special thanks also go to all our existing members, who came to the open house and represented the true spirit and culture of our temple. We had over 100 members at that event.

Our new members had all done their homework, coming to temple events. The majority had attended the August open house, meeting our rabbi and cantor, as well as many on the board. A few had sat in on the rabbi's drumming class; others had attended a Bar Mitzvah or other service here. Many knew of our strong and flexible Hebrew School program. Stephanie Brenner grew up at the temple and is now bringing her family into the fold; Stephanie is the daughter of Bob and Bonnie Greenblatt.

Of the 15 new members, 11 have at least one child in the Hebrew school. Our Hebrew School registration is nearing 50 children. Additionally, many of the young families have a child who will be eligible for Hebrew school in the next couple of years. Although Membership does not expect additional Hebrew School families to join before the High Holidays, we are speaking to about a half dozen families, some with very young children, who have expressed serious interest in the temple. Next month we hope to give you our final membership count.

Finally, we have 33 families that have signed up for our YJCC Kehillah membership program, of which 20 are brand new YJCC members. The program year began on September 1st and runs through August 31st. There is still time to get on the Y bandwagon. The cost for a family is only \$360. The more new members that join the better the chances are that the YJCC will continue the program next year.

Membership would like to formally welcome again all our new members. In addition, we hope to see everyone at High Holiday services and at many temple events in the coming year.

Congregation B'nai Israel Sisterhood 2011-2012 invites you to become a member

Please complete the information below, enclose a check for \$36 (if applicable) payable to:

Congregation B'nai Israel Sisterhood and mail to
Joan Zelman, 961 Amaryllis Avenue, Oradell, NJ 07649.

Membership is free for new temple members.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Check for \$36 enclosed payable to Congregation B'nai Israel New member

If you can donate one hour of your time to help us, we would greatly appreciate it.

Here are some ways to do that:

Photograph Sisterhood events (digital) Help with Sisterhood Gift Shop

Other: _____

You mean everything to us. Thank you for your interest.

The Sisterhood Co-Presidents

Audrey (sisterhoodab@bisrael.com), **Lisa** (sisterhoodlp@bisrael.com) and **Nancy** (sisterhoodnp@bisrael.com)





MITZVAH DAY 2011

is just around the corner

Sunday November 6, 2011
Congregation B'nai Israel/Emerson

SAC is taking Mitzvah Day on the road and seeking volunteers age 14 or over to cook and serve dinner at the County of Bergen, Housing, Health & Human Services Center in Hackensack from 4pm-6pm.

If unable to participate, please consider making a donation towards the dinner or prepare dessert. To volunteer, please contact Renee at 201-747-1766 or at socialactionrk@bisrael.com or Judy at socialactionjn@bisrael.com by October 27th to reserve a place.

COLLECTION DRIVES

SOLES 4 SOULS – Gently used or new shoes to help people impacted by disasters

SCHOOL SUPPLIES – Donations will benefit schools in Paterson and elsewhere that were hit especially hard by Irene. Suggestions: pencils, pens, rulers, crayons, markers, colored pencils, folders, erasers, scissors, glue, glue sticks, notebooks, pocket folders, etc.

COLLECTION DRIVES RUN FROM SUNDAY OCT 16th to NOV 6th

Bins located in CBI Lobby by gift shop



B'NAI MITZVAH PROJECTS

JAKE AFERIAT:

THE WARMTH OF COMMUNITY

Hello, my name is Jake Aferiat and I will have my Bar Mitzvah on November 19, 2011. My mitzvah project is to collect winter hats, scarves and mittens for children and adults in need. I would really appreciate it if you could contribute NEW hats, scarves or mittens for this worthwhile cause. There will be a box in the lobby to put them in. Thanks a lot for helping me with my Mitzvah Project..

LAUREN TANCER:

CARING FOR ANIMALS

Hello, my name is Lauren Tancer and I am an avid equestrian. I have been riding since age five and I enjoy competitions as well as helping to care for horses. In fact, I love all animals, especially my labradoodle, Chester. My mitzvah project is collecting animal supplies (food bowls, leashes, collars, pet food, beds, etc) for our local shelters. I will have a collection box in the lobby of the temple and will also accept donations at my home in Old Tappan. Please contact ntancer@optonline.net to arrange a drop off. Thank you!

JAKE EFFRON: WATER PURIFICATION FOR \$1 PER CHILD

Hello, my name is Jake Efron. I am a young teenager, and my Bar Mitzvah is coming up on October 29. My passions include animals, sports, and science. One scientific issue that is also a tzedakah issue is the purification of water. How can we make water pure enough so that people can stay healthy even if they don't have access to medicine or clean, running water? My Torah portion is Noah. The story of Noah is related to water because of the flood. I would like your help with my project. A small donation can buy a personalized filter that people can use anywhere in the world. If you would like to make a donation, please find my collection jar in the CBI lobby. I will also provide literature about a water filtration straw. The straw has a filter inside that removes harmful bacteria. It costs approximately one dollar. Children are especially likely to die of water contamination and diseases carried in water. In 2006, the United Nations calculated that 5,000 children died per day of water contamination. That's 1.8 million children per year! You can make a difference by donating just one dollar to protect a life.

Join the members of CBI's Social Action Committee, in the fight against Alzheimer's Disease

Support the Alzheimer's Association by participating in a memory walk to raise funds for Alzheimer care, support, and research



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23rd NORTHERN REGIONAL MEMORY WALK

Van Saun Park
Paramus, NJ

Registration at 9:00 a.m., Walk at 10:00 a.m.

Step up and join our team!

If you are interested in joining us and for more information, please contact either Renee Kuperinsky at socialactionrk@bisrael.com or Judy Newell at

socialactionjn@bisrael.com

or register online at www.alzjn.org

LETTERS

Many thanks to Jeane Bloom, for donating dozens of Jewish children's books, and to Naomi Weinberg, for donating many stuffed animals. Your gifts will help children find both comfort and learning in synagogue!

Rabbi Orenstien and the Congregation

Dear Rabbi Orenstein,

Thankyou, very much, for your consoling words and comforting prescence in memory of my brother, Morris. I really appreciated all that you've done.

Sincerely, Irwin Kadin

Dear President Weinberg,

Temple Officers and Congregation: Thank you for your consoling words and presence and for the tree planted in memory of my brother, Morris. Also, thank you for the beautiful basket. Everything was much appreciated.

Sincerely, Irwin Kadin

Dear Executive Board & Congregation B'nai Israel,

Thank you so very much for your kind and generous thoughts and the donation in memory of my mother, Ann Wise. It is of great comfort to know that such an everlasting gift stands in her honor. Our entire family thanks you.

Sincerely, Connie & Ken Klein and family

Dear Good & Welfare Committee & CBI,

Thanks so much for your thoughtfulness following my surgery. The goodies in the gift basket really brightened my day!

Sincerely, Richie Kargauer

Dear Rabbi and Members of CBI,

I am most grateful for the support and kindness shown me by all of you at CBI. The flowers, the phone calls, the prayers said in my behalf and the many well wishes remind me again how special CBI is and how fortunate we are to be

part of this community.

Vivienne Levenson

Dear Rabbi Orenstein and Good Friends,

A few days after the rummage sale you so kindly held for us, the State of New Jersey granted us our license. We are currently seeing our first patient awaiting others.

Your kind and generous donation of \$1,805 – the sum you worked so hard to raise for us—is deeply appreciated, and your support moving. Without the loving help you and others like you have given us over these years, we would not be where we are not – a functioning hospice with every intention of providing the best care possible to those facing the end of life.

Thanks you for caring – thank you for your confidence in hospice philosophy, services and us.

Pat, Donna and Wendy
Community Hospice of Bergen County, Inc.

FUNDS

ETERNAL LIGHT FUND

TO: Jamie Kreiman and Sam Gavzy

In memory of your husband and father, Ike Gavzy

FROM: Jerrold & Sherrie Ratner, Ken & Connie Klein, Leslie, Marcia, Kimberly, & Arielle Schloesser, Seymour & Harriette Turk, Robert & Ruth & Beth Bressler, Martin & Susan Pelavin, Martin & Susan Casper, Sandy & Francine Kaplan, Evan & Susan Kushner, Ellen Breger and David Meinhard

TO: Mrs Ruth Alffid & Family

In memory of your beloved husband and father, Robert Alffid

FROM: Edward & Sheila Faerber

TO: Irwin Kadin

In memory of your beloved brother Morris
FROM: Natalie Radin, Seymour & Harriette Turk, Walter & Alice Krieger, Dave & Ellen Michelson, Hal & Judy Abrams, Belinda Howard & Gertrude Hecht, Ruth Levy Stroh

IRVING REIKES MEMORIAL GARDEN

TO: Jamie Kreiman and Sam Gavzy

In memory of your husband and father, Ike Gavzy

FROM: Nancy Kihn, Reed, Allison & Anna Glassman,

FREYDA FUND

TO: Larry & Meryl Kutzin

Thank you for being so gracious.

FROM: Faith & Davy Goldsmith

FROM: Marla & Roy Klein made in honor of their first granddaughter, Maya Brooke Katcher, born on June 20, 2011 to their daughter, Jana, and her husband, Jaimie.

GOOD & WELFARE

TO: Jamie Kreiman and Sam Gavzy

In memory of your husband and father, Ike Gavzy

FROM: Dave & Ellen Michelson, Jayne Rubenfeld, Richard, Cory, & Jeremy Waldron, Bob & Paula Javits

TO: Harvey and Alex Meer

Mazel tov to Dad and Grad

FROM: Idelle and Gary Schwinder

TO: Donna Kaufman

Thank you for your many years of fund card efforts at CBI. The cards and your support were appreciated more than you probably know.

FROM: Naomi Weinberg

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FOR: Ralph Levi

FROM: Lori Levi

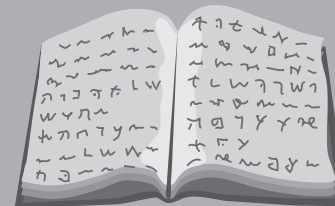
YOUNG SINGERS!

We need a bunch of young singers to lead some of the prayers we've written to Broadway hits.

Broadway Shabbat is Friday evening, **December 9th**. Please contact Cantor Lenny Mandel cantor@bisrael.com if you're interested.

* 6th grade through 12th grade only, please.

SIDDUR DEDICATION



Meryl, Larry, Ebn and Jared Kutzin dedicate a Siddur in memory of Ike Gavzy.

Dr. Bruce Boltuch dedicates a Siddur in memory of Ike Gavzy.

They're Back! Get One while they Last!

CBI Men's Club has 2012 Entertainment Books for sale for \$30.

So many coupons and bargains to local eateries, stores and more!

To buy one, see Marie in the CBI office or contact: Dave Michelson at

(201) 967-0141 or email evadcpa@aol.com



OCTOBER 2011

Candle Lighting Times: **7:** 6:11 **14:** 7:30 **19:** 5:53 **21:** 5:50 **28:** 5:40

Tishrei-Cheshvan 5772

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						10am Shabbat Shuva Morning Service Shabbat Shuva Parashat Ha'Azinu 1
9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 9am Hebrew School Tzom Gedaliah 2	3	4pm Hebrew School 4	7:30pm Board Meeting 5	6	Erev Yom Kippur/ Kol Nidre 7	9am Yom Kippur Morn. Service 10am Jr. Cong. Service 4:30pm Yom Kippur Healing Serv. 5:45pm Mincha, Neillah, Havdallah Services 7:15pm Break Fast meal 8
9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 9 9:30am Sukkah Building with Men's Club No Hebrew School	Columbus Day 10	4pm Hebrew School 11	Erev Sukkot 7:30am Erev Sukkot Services 12	Sukkot I 13	Sukkot II 14 6:15pm Dinner in Sukkah 7:30pm Rock & Roll Casual Shabbat Service	Sukkot III (CH"M) 15 10am Dalet/Hey Learning Service 10:45am Family Shabbat program + lunch
Sukkot IV (CH"M) 16 9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 9am Hebrew School 9am Breast Cancer Walk with Sisterhood	Sukkot V (CH"M) 17 7pm Sisterhood's Ladies Night Out in the Sukkah	Sukkot VI (CH"M) 18 4pm Hebrew School 6pm Dinner in the Sukkah with Rabbi Orenstein	Sukkot VII (Hoshana Raba) 19	Shmini Atzeret 7:30am Yiskor service 8am Breakfast in Sukkah following Yiskor 7:30pm Simchat Torah Service 20	Simchat Torah 21 8pm Erev Shabbat Service	10am Shabbat Morning Service 22 Parashat Bereshit
9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 9am Hebrew School 9am Walk to End Alzheimer's 9am Minyan spnsr by the Efron family 23	9:30am Take Down Sukkah 9:30am Daley-Hey Parent's Mtg. 10:30am Bet-Gimmel Parent's Mtg. 24	9:30am Shalom Baby at CBI 25 4pm Hebrew School	7:30pm Men's Club Poker Evening 26	27	Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan 7pm Inter-Generational Drumming Circle 8pm Erev Shabbat Service 8pm Oneg spnsr by the Efron family 28	Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan 29 Parashat Noach 9:30am Jakob Efron Bar Mitzvah
9am Minyan & Bagel Blast 9am Hebrew School 9am Minyan spnsr by the Tancer family 30	31					

NOVEMBER 2011

Candle Lighting Times: **4:** 5:31 **11:** 4:24 **18:** 4:18 **25:** 4:13

Chesvan-Kislev 5772

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		4pm Hebrew School 1 7:30pm Adult Education	2	3	8pm Erev Shabbat Service 4 8pm Oneg sponsored by the Tancer family	9:30am Lauren Tancer Bat Mitzvah 5 Parashat Lech-Lecha
9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 6 9am Hebrew School 9am Minyan sponsored by the Aferiat family 9:30am Social Action/Jewish Federation Mitzvah Day	7:30pm Adult Education 7	4pm Hebrew School 8 7:30pm Younger Mom's Night Out with UJA at CBI	7:30pm Board Meeting 9	NJ Teachers Convention 10	NJ Teachers Convention 11 6:30pm Anniversary Shabbat Dinner (Sept/Oct/Nov) 8pm Erev Shabbat Service	10am Jewish Home Assisted Living services 12 Parashat Vayera
9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 13 No Hebrew School	14	4pm Hebrew School 15 7pm Sisterhood Ladies' Night Out	16	17	8pm Erev Shabbat Service 18 8pm Oneg sponsored by the Aferiat family	9:30am Jake Aferiat Bar Mitzvah 19 10:45am Family Shabbat program Parashat Chayei Sara 6:30pm Progressive Dinner
9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 20 9am Hebrew School	7:30pm Adult Education 21	4pm Hebrew School 22	23	Thanksgiving 24	8pm Erev Shabbat Service 25	10am Shabbat Morning Service 26 Parashat Toldot
9am Minyan & Bagel Breakfast 27 No Hebrew School Rosh Chodesh Kislev	28	4pm Hebrew School 29 7pm Adult Education (Topic chosen by attendees)	30			

ADULT EDUCATION SERIES:

Contemporary Issues and Hot Topics

Congregation B'Nai Israel and led by Rabbi Orenstein

Our fall adult education series will take place on the following dates:

Tuesday, November 1 at 7:30 pm

Monday, November 7 at 7:30 pm

Monday, November 21 at 7:30 pm

Tuesday, November 29 at 7:30 pm

Is there a Jewish perspective (or are there multiple legitimate Jewish perspectives) on political and ethical dilemmas today? How can Jewish history, sacred texts, and philosophy help us deal with contemporary issues -- in the public arena and our own homes? Ecclesiastes famously said, "There is nothing new under the sun." In this participatory class and discussion, Rabbi Orenstein will introduce the breadth and depth of Jewish influence and opinion on issues of concern today.

Tuesday, November 1, 7:30 pm

SESSION 1 - Homosexuality and the status of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people and their unions. How does the Jewish tradition relate to homosexuality? What are the textual, philosophical, ethical, and historical elements that shape Jewish responses? Where do the different movements stand today? How can Jews of different opinions find common ground, so that we welcome Jews of every background and orientation as part of our community?

Monday, November 7, 7:30 pm

SESSION 2 – Anti-Zionism and Anti-semitism on campus. How shall we understand and respond to attacks against Jews, Judaism and Israel? Where does anti-semitism come from? How can we combat it? Is the rhetoric on campus part of a long history and/or is it something new? Does the anti-Israel crowd have any legitimate claims, and, if so, how should we respond to them?

Monday, November 21, 7:30 pm

SESSION 3 - Jewish response to the suffering of non-Jews. Are there Jewish perspectives and responses to what is happening in Haiti and the Sudans, in the same way that there are Jewish responses to what is happening in Israel or within the Diaspora Jewish community? What are we commanded to do? How can we set priorities? To what extent should the organized Jewish community weigh in on international crises and provide aid, both locally and globally? To what extent should our resources and commitments be taken up with helping Jews and Israel, which no one will or should care about more than we?

Tuesday, November 29, 7:30 pm

SESSION 4 - The topic of the fourth session will be selected by participants, based on the interests and concerns of the group.

There is a fee of \$36 for all four sessions or \$10 per session for guests. Members of Congregation B'nai Israel are invited to attend at no charge.

It is our pleasure to invite you to an
Oneg Shabbat following services
on Friday evening, the 28th of October
in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of our son

JAKOB MATTHEW

Jakob will be called to the Torah
as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday
the 29th of October at
nine-thirty in the morning

MERYLL & BRYAN EFFRON



It is our pleasure to invite you to an
Oneg Shabbat following services on Friday
evening, the fourth of November
in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of our daughter

Lauren Nicole

Lauren will be called to the
Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on
Saturday the 5th of November
at nine-thirty in the morning

NANCY & STEVE TANCER



OCTOBER YAHRZEITS

Devorah Grosflan	Tishre 3	10/01/11
Robert O Bird	Tishre 5	10/03/11
Abraham Sadowsky	Tishre 6	10/04/11
Abraham Sadowsky	Tishre 6	10/04/11
Rae Weisberg	Tishre 7	10/05/11
Blanche Fassler Taub	Tishre 7	10/05/11
Sally Kalish	Tishre 10	10/08/11
Reva Jaffe	Tishre 10	10/08/11
Byrdie C Anton	Tishre 11	10/09/11
Henry Silverberg	Tishre 11	10/09/11
Nathan Holtzman	Tishre 13	10/11/11
Victor W Kleinfeld	Tishre 15	10/13/11
Shirley Salesky	Tishre 16	10/14/11
Minnie Ziegelheim	Tishre 18	10/16/11
Molly Vogel	Tishre 18	10/16/11
Max I Herman	Tishre 18	10/16/11
Yetta Herman	Tishre 19	10/17/11
Hilda Katz	Tishre 19	10/17/11
Solomon Vigotsky	Tishre 20	10/18/11
Akiva Taubenslag	Tishre 21	10/19/11
Betty Klibinoff	Tishre 22	10/20/11
Miriam Diamond	Tishre 22	10/20/11
Sarah Horowitz	Tishre 22	10/20/11
Lillian Zirl	Tishre 23	10/21/11
Julian Schreiber	Tishre 23	10/21/11
Matilda (Tillie) Boltuch	Tishre 23	10/21/11
Louis N Ornitz	Tishre 23	10/21/11
Bernice Karpman	Tishre 23	10/21/11
Jack Zelman	Tishre 23	10/21/11
Louis Lobell	Tishre 23	10/21/11
Lawrence Willing	Tishre 24	10/22/11
Murray Schwalbe	Tishre 24	10/22/11
Lillie Schiff	Tishre 24	10/22/11
Brian Robert Brintz	Tishre 24	10/22/11
Sol Grodin	Tishre 24	10/22/11
Edith Jaffe	Tishre 25	10/23/11
Aaron Schiff	Tishre 25	10/23/11
Benjamin Buckler	Tishre 25	10/23/11
Esther Friedman	Tishre 26	10/24/11
Phillip Dym	Tishre 27	10/25/11
Lillian Bressler	Tishre 28	10/26/11
Majorie Mondschein	Tishre 28	10/26/11
Jacob Swerlick	Cheshvan 1	10/29/11
Reba Milano	Cheshvan 2	10/30/11
Deborah Zenker	Cheshvan 3	10/31/11

TEMPLE SERVICES

Yahrzeit/Memorial Plaques

\$200

A reminder card is mailed every year prior to the yearzeit anniversary. Plaques are displayed on the sanctuary walls.

Call Paula Javits at 201-265-6559

Tree of Life Leaves

\$126

Commemorate special occasions or honor someone special with a leaf displayed on our lobby walls.

Call Bob Greenblatt at 201-265-5777

Sentiment Cards

\$7.50 minimum

We'll send a beautiful card to express your sentiments. Choose from one of the following funds:

Call Bruce & Ellen Sonkin at 201-358-0129 or e-mail fundcards@bisrael.com

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- **IRVING RIEKES MEMORIAL**

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Funds used to maintain garden behind temple.

- **GET WELL FUND**

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- **GOOD & WELFARE FUND**

- **SOCIAL ACTION FUND** to help those in need

- **BERNICE'S KITCHEN FUND** for all occasions, in memory of Bernice Kuperinsky. Funds used for kitchen equipment.

Contact Meryl Kutzin at 201-664-0684 or e-mail mkutzin@qtbras.com or Idelle Schwinder at 201-265-7281

Prayer Book Fund

Contact Barry Bluestein at

Book plate dedications for all occasions.

201-782-0969

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Contact Meryl Kutzin at

Located in the temple lobby.

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Supermarket Gift Cards

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A major fundraiser that can be used at any Fairway, Shop Rite, Stop and Shop. Temple earns \$5 on every \$100 gift card.

Contact Idelle Schwinder at 201-265-7281

Prospective Members

Contact Bruce Kasper at

Let your neighbors know about our shul.

201-664-2175

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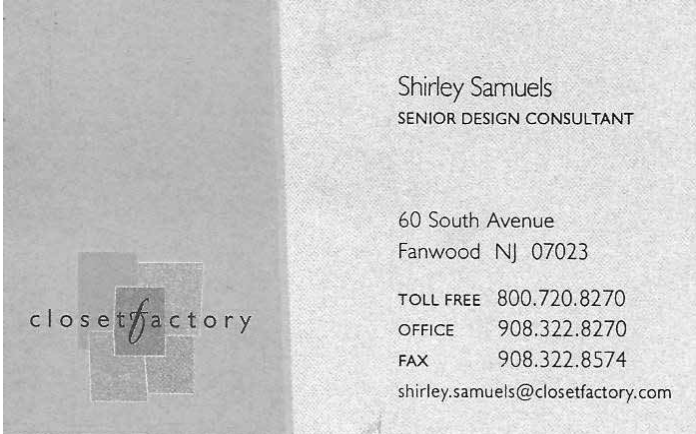
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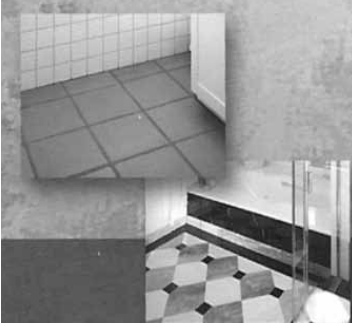
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