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Project Ezra Committee: Lois & Ron Sockol and June & Richard Atkind

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### From Rabbi Perlman



To say that our family is looking forward to our six month Sabbatical time in Israel would be a significant understatement. And while we have known that this time would come for a number of

years, it is still hard for us to believe that we will be leaving in just a few short weeks.

We have found a wonderful apartment in the Baka neighborhood of Jerusalem. It is a lovely area near a park/playground, some cafes, a liberal synagogue (Congregation Kol HaNeshama), and the school that Liana and Jonah will likely attend. Liana is in the fourth grade, Jonah is in kindergarten, and Emily and I have decided to enroll both in an Israeli school. Liana and Jonah are proud "Mitchell School" kids and are not fluent in Hebrew. However, in addition to attending our own Beth Shalom programs, for the past several months Liana and Jonah have been attending a weekly all-Hebrew

program in Newton to help pick up some vocabulary and to become comfortable with the "music" of the language. As well, at home we have been sharing Hebrew story books with the kids and speaking with them a bit – casually, easily, and without pressure. As a family, Em and I are making plans for us to make the most of being part of the everyday life of Israel - walking through the streets of the old and the new city, becoming part of a congregational community in Jerusalem, experiencing Shabbat, shopping in the stores, seeing friends and family, and certainly making new friends along the way. As well, we are looking forward to exploring the four corners of the country – to show our children the beauty and the history the sights and the sounds of a place that has, for generations, been so special to Jews and other peoples the world over.

Sabbatical is a precious time intended for reflection, study, and rejuvenation (reJEWvenation?). While in Israel, I will be taking courses at one or several Jewish learning institutes. I am currently looking into courses offered through the Hartman Institute, Pardes, and the Hebrew Union College. As well, I will be engaging a teacher and a learning partner for some one-on-one ("chevruta") learning – most likely in the area of rabbinic commentaries. Lectures and seminars abound in Jerusalem, and I plan to take as much advantage of these as I am able. As well, I have a long reading list that I am eager to work through. Finally, since Jerusalem's campus of the Hebrew Union College is the place where all Reform rabbinic, cantorial, and education students begin their studies, it is possible that I may also do some teaching. In all, I will be embracing this as a time to help me grow as a rabbi and for our family to be enriched by this blessed experience.

I am eternally grateful to our community's leadership who has been and who will be working to ensure a smooth transition while I am away. I am especially grateful to Rabbi Markley, whose rabbinic leadership, warmth, wisdom, and love will, I know, guide and inspire our congregation in a new and exciting way during these months. And finally, Emily and I are eternally grateful to you – our temple family – for such an opportunity.

I look forward to seeing you in the coming weeks before our departure. If you have any questions, as always, please don't hesitate to ask.

With warmest wishes and Shalom ...

## **Temple Beth Shalom is Thrilled to Welcome Back**



# Rick Recht and his Band For a Community "Chanu-Concert" Sunday, December 5 at 12:00 noon Temple Beth Shalom - Simon Hall

Join us for an incredibly fun-filled and spirited Chanukah concert for the entire family! Rick Recht is one of the most popular Jewish rock musicians in the country. Rick has been to Temple Beth Shalom many times, and we are thrilled to welcome him back to Needham!

Plan to join us on Friday, December 10 at 7:15 p.m. as we formally celebrate

## **Cantor Marcie Jonas**

Through a special musical service,
we will be blessed to share in Cantor Jonas's
"Aliyah L'Chazanut," - "Ascent to sacred service"
as Temple Beth Shalom's newest cantor.
This service will feature special music, prayer, and sharing
as we officially begin this new stage
in our community's relationship with Cantor Jonas!
Please plan to join us!

Come to the Annual
(Post) Chanukah
Brotherhood
Lox and Bagel Brunch!
(Also the Red Cross Blood Drive)
Sunday, December 12
8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Contact Howard Ostroff at 781-801-9696 or hostroff@rcn.com to sign up to donate blood or volunteer to help!



Together, we can save a life

# From Rabbi Markley



We have a myriad of reasons to celebrate the staff team here at Beth Shalom. We've welcomed so many new faces this year, and each of those people has already added extraordinary personal and professional gifts to

our community. In particular, I want to take this opportunity to welcome Rachel Oblath. I first met Rachel when she was serving as a Unit Head for the youngest girls at the Union for Reform Judaism's Crane Lake Camp in West Stockbridge. She was unbelievable in her ability to supervise staff, and run an organized unit while still really getting to know all of the campers under her supervision in the most fun and dynamic of ways. At that time, some three years ago, I tried to convince her to join the TBS team, but she was not yet able to do so. Patience paid, and we are thrilled that she has now become part of the family.

Rachel is playing a number of exciting roles

here at the temple. She is the Administrator of our Children's Center, greeting our youngest students and their families with a warm smile and lots of love each morning when they arrive. In that capacity, she is helping to insure that our early childhood programs are running smoothly, safely, and effectively for our faculty and for our families. She has already proven

herself to be a wonderful asset to this arena of synagogue life.

Furthermore, Rachel is a Masters-level educator by training, and we are benefiting from her skills not only in the Children's Center, but across all of our learning environments. She is teaching our 4th, 5th,

and 7th graders and is loving her interactions with our students. Rachel is also co-teaching our Wilderness Explorations Sha'ar ("teen gateway" program) with Lauren Bohne, our Youth Educator. Before Rachel joined us here at TBS, she spent several years doing wilderness education and therapy with teens.

She brings extraordinary expertise in this area, and our Wilderness Explorations students are getting the very best of our tradition's wisdom on our relationship with nature, and our modern-day insights on interacting with the great outdoors.

Of course, Rachel, being a Jewish camp devotee, is also staffing all of our retreats this

year for our 6th graders, our 8th-10th graders, and our Family Camp program for families with children in grades K-5 (coming up April 29-May 1, 2011!).

As enthused as I was about the mere possibility of Rachel joining the TBS team in the summer of 2007, I am even more excited about the reality of her presence here. If you haven't had the opportunity to meet Rachel yet, please do take a

moment to introduce yourself and to welcome her to the TBS family. Her personal and professional gifts have already proven a great blessing to us!

Tall A. Mosely

# **Religious School**



Shalom,

The Life Cycle of Education Throughout one's Jewish lifetime, customs and rituals mark various steps or stages along the journey. Rituals are commonplace in any culture and help us create meaning for

our individual and collective achievements. Judaism is rich with such traditions and during a learner's education we expect to celebrate many of them publicly.

It is never too early to begin Jewish education, particularly within the home. Whether it is reading Jewish books aloud to your infants and toddlers, or being a member of our Children's Center community, attending Temple Tots on Sunday mornings or Tot Shabbat on Friday evenings, all of these customs can bring the rich Jewish traditions to the fore of your child's identity. From any or all of these foundational moments your child then begins a deliberate adventure through our education program or that of a Jewish day school such as Rashi or Solomon Schechter. At this point in time, we celebrate a beginning of a structured religious education.

The first public milestone for our learners is a ceremony of Consecration. **Consecrate:** 1) to set apart as holy; make or declare sacred for religious use; 2) to dedicate; 3) to cause to be revered or honored. At TBS, students, new to our religious school in grades K through third grade, are invited to ascend the bimah as consecrants to receive a blessing. Students recite the Shema in unison, the watchwords of our faith. It has been our tradition to link the ceremony of Consecration to the celebration of Torah on Erev Simchat Torah. In one special evening we rejoice in two ways, honoring

the children engaging in Torah for the first time and renewing our own study of Torah as we conclude and begin the cycle again.

During the third grade year, our students study with earnest the language of our people, Hebrew. Hebrew students of any age must first learn to "de-code" the characters of the Hebrew aleph-bet. By learning the names of each Hebrew letter, its form in Hebrew print and script and its appropriate sounding, students gain the foundation on which to build syllables, words and finally sentences. At the successful completion of this introduction to Hebrew language, each student receives his/her own siddur, prayerbook. During a Simchat Shabbat service, students lead the congregation in prayer and are presented with the siddur, a cherished book for a lifetime of learning. We refer to this celebration as Siyum HaSefer, celebration of the conclusion of the book.

In Jewish tradition, boys and girls engaged in study become Jewish adults around the age of thirteen during the ceremony of Bar or Bat Mitzvah. Becoming a Bar (male) or Bat (female) Mitzvah literally means becoming a son or daughter of the commandments. The entry into Jewish adulthood marks the beginning of the acceptance of full responsibility for fulfilling the commandments of Judaism. Becoming a Bar/Bat Mitzvah is only one of the steps along the life-long journey of education and the attainment of ritual proficiency. There remains much to learn and many opportunities to continue Jewish education throughout the teen and adult years.

Confirmation: 1) to make firm; strengthen; establish; 2) to make valid by formal approval; ratify; 3) to prove the truth, validity or authenticity of. A Bar/Bat Mitzvah has demonstrated his/her ability to read from Torah and lead the congregation

in a service. Confirmation, by contrast, stresses general knowledge of Judaism. The two steps of the Jewish journey complement each other and inspires all young adults to express a more mature understanding and acceptance of his/ her responsibilities as a Jew. Confirmands lead the evening service in celebration of Shavu'ot, the festival commemorating the giving of the Torah as well as the harvest of the "first fruits". Blending the two themes, confirmands offer personal statements as an affirmation of their Jewish responsibility and what each has personally harvested thus far from years of study.

At the end of their senior year of high school, students mark another milestone in a Siyum, or graduation. Just as graduating from a secular school marks the beginning of a new era of learning for any student, so too, does the graduation from our religious school program. We celebrate each student's commitment to continue learning and honor them for their hard work.

And then, learning continues. We financially support students taking college courses related to Judaism to keep the connection alive wherever their adult lives take them. We welcome them back at every opportunity and encourage them to reconnect with TBS once returning to the area or to connect to other synagogues in their home communities.

Jewish education is a life-long endeavor. Whether the learners in your home are studying in the Me'ah program or attending Temple Tots, (part of our Children's Center), or acting out Jewish values with peers in New Orleans, each new experience is rich with meaning. Wishing you a long, long journey filled with many wonderful teachers. And as you learn, you also teach with the questions you ask and insights you share.

Enjoy the journey!

L'shalom, Sandy

# President's Message



"Transformation"

Our Torah forefathers went through great transformation on the way to entering into covenant with God and becoming leaders in the formation of sacred community. These transformations required openness to change, questioning wrestling with the 'right' ways in which to move forward, and visioning for a future to come. We have recently passed in our text cycle,

Abram venturing forth from his home, from a place of idol worship to a first-ever covenantal relationship with God. My Yom Kippur words highlighted Abraham's deep and textured relationship with God - one with a rich history of wrestling, of joy, of disappointment. In it we see doubt, like when God promises Abraham and Sarah a son, and disagreement, like Abraham's protests and debate with God about righteousness which cause God to stop short of obliterating the sin-filled cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. Ultimately, up on Mt. Moriah as God asks for and Abraham responds with the binding of Issac for sacrifice, we can see the process of change in both God and Abraham, as they attain mutual trust, care and commitment.

Similar give and take leading to transformation is visible in the story of Jacob, who also leaves home, in this case to avoid punishment for deceiving his father in order to receive the blessing of the firstborn. At a certain spot along the way, Jacob stops, somehow open to a moment of enlightenment. He dreams of the ladder with angels going up and down, beginning at the ground and reaching up to the top of the sky; angels connect Jacob to God, who offers his blessing of a sacred future to all of Jacob's offspring. Later, when Jacob journeys to reunite with his brother Esau, he once again encounters an angel. This time, he must wrestle, and withstands the dislocation of his hip joint. He offers to the angel his name 'Jacob', which then transforms to Israel.

Just as Abraham and Jacob 'go forth', we at Beth Shalom have been moving forward in the building of our Kehillah Kedoshah. In this work we experience the excitement of, as well as the wrestling with, change. In this period of growth, we focus on the aspirations of our Vision – seeking to deepen relationships, to transform education, and to strengthen both our caring community and our outreach efforts. In doing so, there are several large congregational initiatives that are underway and in some cases coming to fruition. While a brief synopsis of these is included below, you can find elsewhere in the *Scroll* and in our other communications, more detailed descriptions of these exciting happenings:

Educational visioning - In partnership with an expert team of Brandeis educators and thanks to a generous grant from CJP, we are 'revisioning' and reimagining our religious school program, creating an experiential model of elementary education, in which children and families learn through the living of their Judaism. Currently, some small elements of experiential learning are being piloted in our kindergarten and 1st grade classrooms. As well, a team of lay leaders and professional staff are creating a Vision for Education. Once completed in December, our professionals will, with this Vision in mind, create several models for our K-5 learning to be considered by our families and teachers through spring 2011 focus groups.

Governance restructuring – After extensive research and discussion, last spring our Board of Trustees approved a new governance model for Beth Shalom. This 'Vision for Governance' aims to create an even more efficient, streamlined and coordinated structure in which our leadership, professional and lay, can work. It will be characterized by, amongst other things, the alignment of the Temple's Mission and Vision with the goals, process, and decision-making of the Board, the inclusion and honoring of lay leaders (past and present), including

those participating through committees, arms, and key congregational initiatives and effective means of communication. Currently a Policies and Procedures Manual is being created and our bylaws are under revision. Upon approval by the Board and congregation, these will go into effect in July 2011.

**New Shabbat** – With a restructuring of our Friday night experience, we are this year 'coming home' to Shabbat and embracing our worship as an individual and communal oasis of song, prayer, learning and reflection. These services, beginning consistently at 7:15 p.m., have a tone that is reflective, warm, and welcoming for all ages.

Strategic Planning - While our planning for and securing of an Executive Director might be considered 'phase 1' of our work, we are now entering a process of developing a comprehensive Strategic Plan for TBS. This will include the assessment and prioritization of needs, as related to space, staffing and programming. In consonance with our vision, we will seek to create a TBS building that is truly a "home" for our members – a place that inspires the warmth of our community, is safe and in order, and provides appropriate space for our children to learn and our staff to shine. We will attempt to ensure the continued engagement of the strongest possible professional and support staff with adequate compensation that honors them and their work. We will seek ongoing excellence in Jewish learning, worship, music/cultural programming, social justice, Israel, and an enriched spirit of community. Lastly, we aspire to be a congregation that is truly financially healthy - free of our current mortgage/debt, with a rejuvenated building fund and endowments - freeing our community from our sole reliance on dues - and financially accessible to all. Marcie's "Aliyah L'Chazanut' – In welcoming our new Cantor, Marcie Jonas, we will be celebrating her "ascension to service" during our Friday night worship on December 10. Please join us as we honor the beginning of our relationship with Cantor Jonas as our musical visionary.

Rabbi Jay's Sabbatical - In January Rabbi Jay, Emily, Liana and Jonah will embark on their voyage to Israel to begin Jay's sabbatical time. In December, more information will be shared regarding the restructuring of rabbinic and lay leadership tasks for this time period. We will anticipate with great excitement Jay's opportunities for nourishment and learning, which will in turn enrich our congregational life and Vision.

Please join me on this journey, as we approach the challenge of change, and celebrate our *transformation*.

L'Shalom, Beth



### Sisterhood

I've just returned from the WRJ Northeast District Second Biennial Convention, held on October 8-10 in Albany, NY. As Sisterhood members in a congregation that is affiliated with the Women of Reform Judaism, we're part of one of eight regional districts. Unlike the much larger national assembly we attended in Toronto last fall, this convention included approximately 120 women from the six New England states as well as New York and Eastern Canada. We were blessed to have six members in attendance, including our First Vice President Lisa Channen, past District President Arline Aransky, National WRJ Board Members Patti Grossman and Betty Weiner, and past Sisterhood President Trina Novak, who was newly installed as a District Vice President during the convention. Congratulations Trina!

The district convention, like the national assembly, allows us to enjoy the beautiful experience of attending Shabbat services and Torah study with a congregation comprised entirely of women. We approached the Parashat Noach through the vehicle of poetry quite appropriate as our scholar-in-residence was Rabbi Sue Levi Elwell, the consulting

editor on the poetry selections included in The Torah: A Women's Commentary. Given the watery theme of this week's portion, Rabbi Elwell engaged us in the lovely poem "The Woman Who Was Water" among others. We also studied an interesting prayer resource for the Gulf Region recently affected by the oil spill disaster.

This convention's theme was "Opening our Hearts, Revitalizing our Souls" and we attended a variety of workshops designed to do just that. Topics included: Finding Balance in Your Life, Heart Openings, Towards a Spiritual Autobiography, and Putting Your Heart and Soul into Writing a D'var Torah. There were also many workshops aiding us in the nuts and bolts of leading a Sisterhood, with sessions on increasing membership, marketing, fundraising, programming, strategic planning and social justice issues.

One of the highlights for me was hearing about an incredible project some sisterhoods have participated in, titled "Pads for Power". This project provides young girls in the Sudan with sanitary supplies, as they are otherwise unable to attend school and continue their education once they physically become women. Our speaker had traveled to a remote village there and described for

us in detail her amazing journey - five plane rides, armed military forces, huge snakes and third world facilities were just a few things she encountered! It certainly put our own problems into perspective.

Finally, I am proud to share some wonderful news: our sisterhood received one of three Kol Hadash awards, given for innovative programming in the categories of social action, spirituality and general programming. We submitted an application for our Spirituality Retreat, with a specific focus on last year's lay-led concept - as many of you know, a tremendous amount of planning and effort goes into the retreat and it was quite exciting to receive this recognition! (We are now two-for-two, as we received the Honorable Mention for Social Action programming in 2008 for our Women of Means project.)

In addition, our congratulations to Betty Weiner, our Sisterhood's recipient of the Women of Valor award, for her outstanding dedication to Sisterhood, temple and community.

As we celebrate the secular holiday of Thanksgiving this month and give thanks for all that we are so fortunate to have, please join me in appreciation for our wonderful Sisterhood community and the many ways they give of themselves every day to create abundance here at Temple Beth Shalom.

> In Sisterhood, Judy Ravech, President

#### **Essential Dates:**

Friday, November 5 - Sunday, November 7: 13th Annual Spirituality Retreat, Sturbridge Host Hotel.

Tuesday, November 9: Our monthly board meeting starts at 7:30 pm in the Library. All Sisterhood members are welcome.

Sunday, December 5: Join us at 3:00 pm in Simon Hall for a very special temple-wide fundraiser to benefit the WRJ YES Fund as we honor Rabbi Michele Lenke. Please contact co-chairs Arline Aransky at arlineba@aol.com or Betty Weiner at betts235@yahoo.com with any questions.



#### We are excited to welcome our New Sisterhood Members:

Wendy Berger, Liz Berkman, Helaine Block, Carol Chafetz, Lisa Davidson, Tricia Feldman Owens, Amy Fogelman, Lisa Garsh, Lauren Goldberg, Amy Goldfine, Allison Goldstein, Linda Hill, Michelle Hoffman, Mindy Kalish, Liz Koplan, Suzanne Lissy, Nicole Miller, Jessica Post, Hillary Rice, Jocelyn Roth, Lisa Rothman, Lori Shaer, Emily Simon, Jenny Small, Amy Stiner, Jennifer Tobasky, Tracy Winkler, Harmony Wu

#### **Brotherhood**

As our congregation grows and evolves, so too does our outstanding community of men. Over the first two months of our calendar year we have seen a substantial growth in attendance at TBS Brotherhood sponsored events. Our first event, Scotch & Cigars really set the standard of getting TBS men together with over 100 men in attendance. Many who were impressed with the turnout mentioned alcohol, and specifically single malt scotch as the draw. This may have been the case for some, but deep down many of us men want to see the Temple and our community as more of a meaningful social center in our lives. We see it with our wives and kids, why not with our men as was the case during our parent's generation.

The idea of getting TBS men together, whether as ushers, golfers, fantasy football team owners, Sukkah raisers, Bashers, or cigar smoking scotch drinkers is a real focus as we grow and become more inclusive. The more men that get together, the larger our social circles become. The more men that meet and become friends, the more we have

in common. Friends of friends become our friends too. The circle gets larger, including more people, but the community gets closer. More men not only feel welcome but become a part of a vibrant community that can do great things together while having fun. We invite you to join our special community of TBS men and be a part of something social and rewarding.

# Please join us at the following upcoming events:

November monthly meeting, Tuesday, November 2 at 7:00 p.m. TBS Library

#### TBS Brotherhood Blood Drive December 12 in Simon Hall 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Help support the American Red Cross during this critical time of the year.

# Celtics Family Outing Wednesday night, December 22, at 7:30 p.m. Join us in our NEW TBS

Family Skybox!



From left to right-Lee Silverman, Adam May, C. J. Kaplan and Michael Bailit at Scotch & Cigars

#### **Breakfast With Our Rabbis**

January 23 in Simon Hall at 9:00 a.m. A lively discussion of current events and topical issues led by Rabbi Todd and Rabbi Lenke.

#### NEW Bruins Family Outing Saturday, February 5 at 1:00 p.m.

Jim Winterman

### **BESTY**

BESTY kicked off our year with Apple Picking in the Garden of Eden: a trip to Honey Pot Hill Orchard, run by Hannah Behar, Financial VP. While there, we sipped cider, feasted upon donuts, were carried around on a hay ride, and wound our way through the hedge maze. And, of course, we searched for the perfect peck of apples—although none from the forbidden tree of knowledge of good and evil. We did,

however, use our knowledge to decipher the strong Jewish connection to greening our world and Bal Tashchit (the commandment not to waste) within our ancient texts.

Don't Miss Out! Join us for these AMAZING upcoming events: BESTY Iron Chef Mitzvah Day Saturday, November 6 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Fire and Ice Skating Havdalah Saturday, November 20 from 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. Look for more information to follow!



## THE "TBS JEWISH FILM SERIES: Enemies, A Love Story Saturday, November 13 6:00 p.m. in Simon Hall

6:00 p.m. in Simon Hall In 1949 New York, Holocaust survivor, Herman Broder, is

living with
Yadwigi, his
Polish former
housemaid who
hid him during
the war. He
is also having
a passionate
affair with



Masha, another survivor. His situation becomes more complicated with the arrival of his first wife who they thought had perished in Europe. Written and directed by Paul Mazursky based on the Issac Bashevis Singer novel and nominated for three Academy Awards. The film is rated R.

# Chesed "Caring" Community News

This month's Chesed Spotlight

Margie Glou

Chesed Committee

In this month's "Spotlight" we meet Margie Glou, a warm and giving member of the Temple Beth Shalom family for over 32 years. In recent years Margie co-founded and has nourished our Chesed or Caring Committee enabling us to reach out in so many important ways to hundreds of our members who have experienced an illness or a loss or are celebrating a joyous occasion.



Margie, what are some of your early experiences here at TBS?

Through the years, Temple Beth Shalom has nurtured our family in so many ways. Our children attended

religious school and becamebar/bat mitzvah at TBS. Aufrufs, baby naming and special birthdays have all been celebrated here. I've participated in all sorts of projects and programs including fundraisers such as Taste of the Town, and been part of innumerable adult ed and children's programming committees.

Alan and I served as co-chairs of Membership in the early 80's. During that period the position was most challenging, requiring us to call every prospective member, visiting them in their homes and "selling" the benefits of joining TBS. Our community has grown and blossomed such that our goal has completely changed. As part of the current Member Relations Committee, I help to nurture and guide members in their becoming an integral part of our temple family.

Can you talk about Chesed as part of the fabric of the entire Temple Community. In 2002, I was privileged to be asked to be a founding member and co-chair of the "Caring Committee". Our goal was to create a caring community for our congregants to feel a sense of connection while they were facing the challenges of illness or a loss or while celebrating a simcha. From its inception, the Chesed Committee has developed programs that have enabled us to reach out to our congregation by performing Gemilut

Chasadim, acts of loving kindness. This has been fulfilled through the many arms of Chesed – Bikkur Cholim delivering a meal to someone who is ill, Shiva Outreach bringing a meal or house sitting during a funeral, Simcha Committee celebrating a recent birth, Sacred Aging and Youth Resilience providing us with educational programs and dialogue and TBS Cares helping members who are seeking employment.

In recent years the Board of Trustees passed a resolution establishing the Chesed Fund which enabled us to expand our mission of reaching out and, with the guidance of our Rabbis, we completed "A Guide to Jewish Mourning Practices". This booklet (also available on our website) is the culmination of 5 years work and was mailed to each of our members in the Fall of 2009 providing families with a source of guidance, support and resources during a most difficult time in their lives.

How do you feel when you deliver a healing wrap to someone in need?

Delivering a healing wrap to a member of our community who is experiencing an illness, recuperating from an accident or surgery, or rehabilitating in a nursing home or recuperative center is always a most rewarding experience. It is incredibly gratifying to be able to give someone a "hug" and provide them with a feeling of comfort and spirituality. I recently delivered a wrap to a congregant who said she kept it tightly clasped around her during a three week hospital stay. She said "I want you to know this is one of my favorite possessions and has given me so much strength". Seeing the smile on someone's face when they take the wrap out of the gift bag and envelope themselves in it gives me an overwhelming sense of satisfaction.

My involvement at TBS over the years has enriched the entire fabric of my life, spiritually, personally, educationally, and socially. TBS is truly our home away from home. I encourage members of our Congregation to get involved with one of the many arms of Chesed. It is a unique opportunity to develop new friendships, grow personally, gain an incredible sense of pride and fulfillment and enrich your life.

Any degree of participation is welcome; one meal, one wrap, a visit or a ride, you can make a difference. If you'd like more information check out the Chesed Committee on the TBS website or contact Wendy Shulman at wshulman@comcast.net or call 781-444-5009.

## JF&CS Family Table Turkey Tzedakah Drive

Help another family enjoy Thanksgiving this year

As November approaches, we traditionally begin to think about preparing for our own meaningful family Thanksgiving celebrations, which include a table full of food, laughter, and warmth.

At JF&CS Family Table, we are also starting to think about Thanksgiving for the nearly 300 families in need that we serve through our kosher food pantry. Imagine all of those families sitting down and enjoying a festive Thanksgiving dinner, complete with a kosher turkey - thanks to you!

Please help us provide a meaningful Thanksgiving for a family in need by making a donation today.

Each gift of \$25 will cover the cost of one kosher turkey.

Visit www.jfcsboston.org/donate to make your donation online. Please be sure to indicate that your gift is for Turkey Tzedakah. You can also make a donation by sending a check to:

JF&CS Family Table 1430 Main Street Waltham, MA 02451



Thank you in advance for your support to brighten another family's Thanksgiving.

## From The Cantor



"Shiru Lo, Zamru Lo, Sichu b'chol niflotav"

Psalm 105:2
"Sing praises to Him; speak of all His wondrous acts."

(JPS Bible translation)

This past June, I received my Cantorial Ordination from Hebrew College, School of Jewish Music, in Newton, MA. It was a day filled with emotion and joyful excitement. It was the culmination of years of study. That afternoon I was presented with and wrapped in a tallit (prayer shawl). These words from Psalm 105 are woven into the fabric of the "atarah" (the band) of my ordination tallit. As I have come to study and understand the intention of these words: "Shiru Lo"-Sing to G-d, "Zamru Lo"- Make music to G-d, "Sichu b'chol niflotav"- discuss with your community and colleagues all of G-d's wondrous acts, I find them so fitting and

appropriate to the role of Cantor.

We have already begun to infuse our services with a variety of musical genres and instrumentation, as a way to "Zamru Lo"-Make music to G-d. I look forward to singing, making music, and engaging in conversations of all things musical for this Jewish community. It is an opportunity to take all that I have learned at Hebrew College and all that I had brought with me to my studies (30 years as a Cantorial Soloist) and fuse them together to create meaningful musical moments. It is an opportunity to share with you my experience with both traditional nusach and contemporary melodies. I look forward to creating this connection of deep musical richness with you. Of course, I also look forward to continuing to learn with and from you and the other members of the Temple Beth Shalom clergy team.

This spring there are two events that I want to share with you. As part of Needham's Tercentennial Celebration, the Needham houses of worship have created

an interfaith chorale that will perform on Sunday, March 6 at 3:00 p.m. Members of the Temple Beth Shalom Adult choir will be participating in that musical presentation, performing Hymn of Praise by Felix Mendelssohn and Choral Finale to the Ninth Symphony by Ludwig van Beethoven. In addition, the week of March 6-13 is the Boston Jewish Music Festival, with performances of a variety of Jewish music genres at locations throughout the Greater Boston Area and surrounding communities. As more information becomes available, I will let you know.

If you love to sing, I encourage you join

If you love to sing, I encourage you join the Temple Beth Shalom choir. No prior choir experience is necessary! Please call or e-mail me. If you have any questions about music or if I can be of help to you in any way, please let me know.

B'shir, Cantor Marcie M. Jonas

#### Children's Center



TBS Children's Center Recognized for Commitment to Children

An early intervention specialist visited TBSCC last month and noted the high quality of the learning environment

she observed. Coming from an educational professional who visits many schools across the area, this is notable. We have achieved this success with help from Gateways: Access to Jewish Education.

Gateways operates to enable children with special educational needs to become successful participants in the Jewish community. After successful work in area day schools, research showed the need to expand these efforts to the early childhood setting. At TBSCC we have again been recognized for our commitment to meeting each child's needs as recipients of a year long grant. We embody the proverb "Train up a child in the way he should go, and even when he is old he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6) by carefully observing each of our students and working with their families to determine their individual strengths and areas for growth.

Individualized coaching and learning from Gateways will enable us to explore the latest

research in child development and learn to apply this knowledge to make productive and lasting improvements to our school. The \$3000 grant will provide developmental educators, early intervention specialists, occupational therapists, and speech pathologists for consultations and coaching.

Last year, the Gateways grant funded an occupational therapist consultant who observed the curriculum in action and led our teachers in an in depth study of fine motor development in young children. We studied the importance of pre-writing, drawing, another fine motor skill development through the lens of occupational therapy. As a result, you will find our teachers have an enhanced ability to scaffold experiences which support the healthy development of children's emerging writing skills. Without this grant, a small school like ours would not be able to provide such skilled attention to children's development.

This year we will focus on parent-teacher partnerships. Young children develop at very different rates and parents are a child's first teacher. Once children begin school, teachers serve as the eyes and ears for parents during the school day. By forming partnerships between parents and teachers, we can work together to better meet the needs of each child.

Ellen Dietrick Director, Children's Center

#### Congratulations to the Religious School Consecrants of 5771

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## Member Relations

Are you looking to get more involved in the temple but aren't sure where to begin?

Have you thought of a great idea about strengthening our Temple, local, national or global community and don't know how to share it?

Do you want to get to know the members of our community in a way that goes beyond a status update?

Have you wondered if your particular interests and skills have a place at Temple Beth Shalom?

The Member Relations Committee can be your gateway. We want your experience at Temple Beth Shalom to be the best it can be, and we are already trying to do this through:

- Programs including Sukkot Block Party, Adult Purim Spiel (show), Congregational Shabbat Dinners, Prospective Member Open Houses, Temple Chavurah Program (an initiative that connects smaller groups of temple households to foster new friendships - watch your mail for your invitation to join the program!)
- Outreach to new members and initial welcoming activities, including delivering a welcome bag to each new member of the congregation
- Surveying the temple-wide community to help be the "eyes and ears" of the congregation so that we can celebrate our strengths and consider areas in which we can grow (the 400 responses to the survey last spring are making a real difference!)
- Connecting members with temple committees so individuals can share their gifts with our community and find meaning in the myriad volunteer opportunities that exist here

We are passionate about making Temple Beth Shalom a congregation and a community that meets your needs at any particular moment in time. Our committee is so fortunate to have the opportunity to dream together, and we have fun creating ways in which to realize these dreams. There is so much more that we want to learn and do, and there are many opportunities for new committee members to join us at any time during the year and work with us to truly influence the future of our congregation. Call us and share your ideas or your questions, or find out more about joining our committee or one of the other fabulous arms and committees available to you right here at TBS.

To join us or for more information, please contact: Julie Bailit, Member Relations Chair at bailit@comcast.net or 781-455-8403 (home), 781-325-6648 (cell).

#### Please join us for our Congregational Shabbat Dinners this year!

These dinners precede our family-friendly Simchat Shabbat services on the following dates: November 12 (5th grade participants)

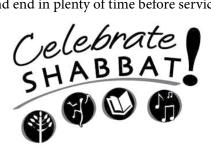
December 3 (K, 1 & 2 participants)

Note: This is our festive Chanukah Dinner and an opportunity to welcome our newest temple members!

February 4 (4th grade participants) March 4 (3rd grade participants)

April 1 (6th grade participants receive their Torah commentaries)

All dinners begin at 6:15 p.m.\* and end in plenty of time before services



While these dinners are connected to particular grade level services, we encourage any temple member to attend they are a lot of fun! Adults: \$15 Children 6-12 years: \$8 Children under 6 pay their age

Simply return this form with a check, payable to Temple Beth Shalom, to: Julie Bailit - Temple Beth Shalom 670 Highland Avenue, Needham, MA 02494 Please call Julie at 781-455-8403 or e-mail bailit@comcast.net with any questions!

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Family Name:	
Phone Number:	
Email:	
# of Adults: # of children & ages:	
Date(s) you plan to come to dinner:	
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\*Typical dinner includes: rotisserie chicken, chicken nuggets, variety of vegetables, salad, starch (mashed potato, pasta, etc.), challah and beverages

#### Sign up for the Temple Beth Shalom Chavurah Program Today!

Chavurot are small groups that provide a great opportunity for individuals and families to forge meaningful and fun connections with others from the Temple Beth Shalom community.



If you would like to join a chavurah, or if you have any questions about the program, please contact TBS Chavurah Coordinator, Jenny Small, at 781-559-3153 or jennylee27@gmail.com.

# **Yahrzeits**

#### **NOVEMBER 5**

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# Sharing our Lives We extend our sympathy to המקום ינחם

Kate Basch on the passing her grandmother, Fredell Basch

# The Shiva Minyan Leader ~ A True Mitzvah

We perform many mitzvahs at Temple Beth Shalom including caring for others, helping our community and preserving the environment. However, few provide an opportunity for satisfaction greater than leading a Shiva Minyan. As a Shiva Minyan leader, we provide comfort and support to those members who are grieving the loss of a loved one. I cannot fully describe the warm glow I walk away with each time I perform this mitzvah. Even congregants who are admittedly not very observant are moved and comforted by the familiar prayers and melodies recited in this short service. Many express their gratitude with heartfelt praise. Our leaders really do receive more than they give.

Contrary to popular belief, an extensive knowledge of Hebrew is not necessary. The leader may choose to read any prayers in English, at their option. Tutoring and guidance are available from our Rabbis and experienced leaders. All rookie leaders are invited to accompany an experienced leader until they are comfortable to go solo.

The only standing commitment we ask is that you check your e-mails daily and reply yay or nay as to availability for a given evening. Most Shiva Minyans are conducted in the evening around 7pm. Since our custom requires prompt burials, we usually only have one or two days lead time for Minyans. Hence we have the need for many participants to avoid lapses in service to our congregants.

Please join us for this tremendous mitzvah. Call or e-mail me with any questions: 781-444-1263 or staum@eartblink.net.

Shalom, Stephen Staum



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#### **AFRICAN BAOBAB**

Paula Rosen, a TBS member, is on the advisory board of a small charity, African Baobab, based here in Needham and partnered with a village in eastern Uganda. The focus is on educating 80 Preschoolers in a school built by African Baobab. Children receive a meal, free healthcare and English. In addition 25 grandmothers raising their own grandchildren after their own adult children have died of AIDS receive money for food and school. Their welfare depends on us. This is a non-profit org. and donations are tax-



deductible. Call Paula at 781-444-5927 for more information and send donations to her at: 21 Tanglewood Road, Needham, MA 02494.

#### **HHD FOOD DRIVE**

Thank you to all who brought your shopping bags filled with food to the Temple on Yom Kippur. This year we collected 401 shopping bags of food, topping last year's total by over 100 bags! Our donations directly benefit over 180 needy families right here in Needham. We've come a long way since our first food drive in 1999 when we collected 75 bags. Many thanks to John Dennis who headed up this effort and to the members of his team for performing such a mitzvah.

#### **GULF OIL SPILL**

While the oil spill in the Gulf happened a few months ago, we must not forget what took place and the effect it had on so many lives



of all God's creatures. Many groups are still actively involved in the Gulf. After the Spill: Religious Communities Restoring the Gulf is a project of faith communities across America committed to long-term Gulf restoration. After the Spill is sponsored by the RAC (Religious Action Center), the Washington, DC office of the URJ (Union for Reform Judaism). To learn more about what this group is doing, go to www.afterthespill.com.

The RAC is busy in Washington trying to make sure that the oil spill and Gulf restoration stays on the agenda of Congress and the Administration despite limited time and competing priorities. It needs our voices to help in this effort. URJ is collecting funds to support grass roots organizations working to recover and restore communities and ecosystems in the Gulf. To find out how you can help, visit www.rac.org.



#### THE PERFECT DESSERT! EAT WELL WHILE HELPING OTHERS

What is a Thanksgiving dinner without pie? Let someone else do the baking and order a pie from **Pie in the Sky.** This is Community Servings' annual Thanksgiving bake sale when the freshest and finest Thanksgiving pies are sold. The pies are baked and donated by Boston's best restaurants and bakeries. The money raised provides tens of thousands of meals to Boston's critically ill clients.

Pie choices include apple, pecan, pumpkin, sweet potato, and diabetic apple. Each pie costs \$25, providing a week's worth of hearty, home-delivered meals to a person too ill to shop or cook for themselves.

For more information or to place your order, go to www.pieinthesky.org or call 617-522-7777. Please order through the Temple Beth Shalom team or Betty Weiner, team leader. Online orders must be placed by November 20 at 5:00 p.m. Pick-up is on Wednesday, November 24, the day before Thanksgiving, at locations in Boston and surrounding suburbs including Wellesley, Newton, Weston, Cambridge, Framingham, and Belmont.

Have guestions? Contact Betty Weiner at betts235@yahoo.com.

#### **KEEP THE CHILDREN WARM & HAPPY**

It's getting cold outside, and there are many children without a warm pair of pajamas. Why not make a Chanukah gift of a NEW PAIR OF PAJAMAS and/or a NEW BOOK for a child (boy or girl – infant to teen) in a foster home or shelter? Our collection will start in December so do your shopping now.



Put a smile on the face of one of these children in need. You'll be smiling, too! For more information, contact Alison Davis at abgdavis@aol.com, or Betty Weiner at betts235@yahoo.com.

## Garden Club

#### **Essential Dates:**

Monday, November 1 at 7:00 p.m. Please join us for our regular Garden Club board meeting

Sunday, November 7: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Needham High School

Beth Shalom Garden Club's Antique Show & Sale - Open to the public

Tuesday, November 16 at 7:00 p.m. Simon Hall

"Japanese Flower Arranging" with Dora Lee Visitors are welcome

Monday, November 22 at 9:00 a.m. Community Room "Thanksgiving Workshop" with Marisa McCoy Advanced registration required for members only

Daylight savings time ends on November 7, and what better way to use that extra hour than to attend Garden Club's only fundraiser, our 13th Annual Antique Show & Sale at Needham High School from **10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Many antique vendors will show their high quality wares throughout two high school gymnasiums. Bring your treasures because appraisals will be available for a small fee. You might also win a wonderful item on some interesting raffles. If you get hungry, you can buy food and drinks at the cafe and purchase baked goods at the Garden Club's bake sale table. Admission is \$6 at the door, and \$5 if you buy a ticket ahead of time. Tickets will be available by contacting Sue Kaplan at suekflowers@yahoo.com, Carol Gershman at calhal71@comcast.net, or any Garden Club member. Please support our Garden Club by buying tickets. This fundraiser provides funds for our programs and materials for the upcoming year.

One such program supported by this fundraiser is a November demonstration on "Japanese Flower Arranging" by Dora Lee, a talented Japanese flower arranging instructor and a Senior Flower Associate of the MFA. This is one program you will not want to miss. Visitors are welcome.

Another program supported by this fundraiser is Marisa McCoy's Thanksgiving workshop. On November 22 at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Room, Marisa McCoy will lead members into designing a Thanksgiving arrangement, using dried materials and flowers. This workshop is for members only, and they should contact Fawn Hurwitz to register.

Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving,

Carol Gershman, President

Dear Temple Beth Shalom Parents,



Again I want to thank you for taking some time out of your busy life to read our monthly discussion of *Chyten Educational Services* and significant aspects of the academic arena including standardized testing. In my experience, it is never too early to plan.



#### To Parents of High School Students:

Start thinking about the options for SAT preparation. Encourage your teens to explore college websites via the internet. Visit nearby colleges also. Most high schools provide students with info on the Naviance college database.

Please consider registering your Junior now for the January 22, 2011 SAT test date. The arrival of PSAT scores (in December) will help you gain further perspective on appropriate testing and scheduling options. Taking advantage of the Jan. date allows students/parents to plan for a probable retake later in the spring. Remember: most students end up taking the SAT two or three times, as well as the ACT and SAT II Subject Tests before applying to colleges during the fall of their Senior Year:

Some students may choose March 12,2011, the next available test date after January 22, for their first SAT attempt. May 7 and June 4 are the last remaining SAT test dates before school ends in June. Make sure that your student has numerous options and opportunities. Therefore, plan to test early and (if necessary) often. Chyten students report stronger skills and strategies, leading to more focused, successful performances. PLAN NOW: your student wants to walk into the approximately four hour SAT exam and its 10 sections with a sense of confidence and calmness.

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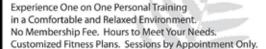
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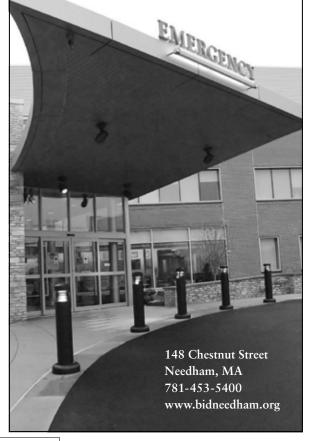
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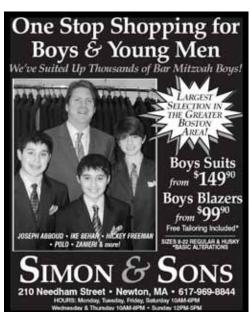




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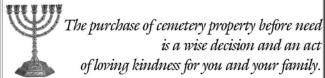
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