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May and June Calendars
On the upcoming Festival of Shavuot, we celebrate the relationship that our people sealed with God at Mount Sinai with the giving of the Ten Commandments. We will gather on Tuesday evening May 14th at 7:00 PM, for our Erev Shavuot Festival service with Confirmation, and then again on Wednesday morning May 15th at 8:00 AM, for Festival morning services and Yizkor memorial services.

In anticipation of hearing those Ten Commandments read at our celebration of Shavuot this year, I have for you, the Top Ten reasons to come to CBSRZ for Shavuot services:

10. The Oneg - The food and schmoozing after the service is a perfectly good reason to come. And this time it will be provided by our Confirmation families, the Alcosser-Smiths and the Romans, in celebration of their daughters Lucy and Danni who will be confirmed during our Shavuot service.

9. Shavuot is a time of pilgrimage – Three times a year, our ancestors would make pilgrimage to the Temple in Jerusalem for the festivals. Shavuot is one of those pilgrimage festivals, a time for us to come together from near and far for prayer and song and celebration.

8. It’s finally spring! Celebrate the catharsis of spring and enjoy the blooms and greenery decorating the Torah scrolls in the Ark.

7. Confirmation – Our 10th grade Confirmation students, Lucy Smith and Danni Roman, will lead the service, chant Torah, share their teachings, and receive special blessings this night.

6. The Ruach – “Ruach” means “spirit,” and this service is full of spirituality. According to our mystical tradition, the heavens open up again on the night of Shavuot, and we have the opportunity to experience direct revelation from God.

5. The Music – Meg Gister will be accompanying the service on the piano, and Belinda Brennan will be leading the singing along with our Confirmands. Come sing with us!

4. The Chuppah – the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai is often thought of as a wedding between the Jewish people and God, with the Torah as the ketubah (wedding contract.) As a symbol of the commitment our Confirmands are making on that day, they will carry the Torah scroll in a procession under the chuppah (wedding canopy) before we read the Ten Commandments from the scroll.

3. The Torah reading – Since we all stood at the foot of the mountain, the congregation will all stand as the Ten Commandments are read from the Torah. Lucy and Danni will each read, and they will honor their teachers Evelyn Foster and Steve Jacobs by having them read Torah as well.

2. The Sermonettes - Every year I hear from congregants that the sermonettes our Confirmation students give are among some of the most moving and inspiring words they have ever heard out of the mouths of our youth. Our Confirmands will share their ideas about God and what it is that they are confirming on this day.

1. We are one community, and we care! Lucy Smith and Danni Roman, our Confirmands, have demonstrated their commitment to Judaism and to our Jewish community. Now, let’s demonstrate our commitment to them by our joyful presence, by joining them in prayer and song, and by opening our ears and our hearts to their spiritual message for us.
**May Worship Services**

**Wed, May 1, 7:45 AM Minyan**

**Fri, May 3, 5:45 PM Tot Shabbat**
- 6:15 PM Dairy Potluck Dinner
- 7:00 PM First Fri Erev Shabbat Service

**Wed, May 8, 7:45 AM Minyan**

**Fri, May 10, 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service**

**Sat, May 11, 10:30 AM Shabbat Service and Bat Mitzvah of Jody Smith**

**Tue, May 14, 7:00 PM Erev Shavuot Festival Service with Confirmation**

**Wed, May 15, 8:00 AM Shavuot Morning Service with Yizkor**

**Fri, May 17, 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service with Choir**

**Sat, May 18, 10:30 AM Shabbat Service and Bat Mitzvah of Madelyn Evans**

**Wed, May 22, 7:45 AM Minyan**

**Fri, May 24, 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service**

**Wed, May 29, 7:45 AM Minyan**

**Fri, May 31, 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service**

**June Worship Services**

**Wed, June 5, 7:45 AM Minyan**

**Fri, June 7, 6:15 PM Dairy Potluck Dinner with storyteller Peninnah Schram**

**Sat, June 8, 10:30 AM 2nd Saturday Shabbat Service with Dvar Torah by Peninnah Schram**
- 5:00 PM Havdalah and more stories on the theme of Elijah

**Wed, June 12, 7:45 AM Minyan**

**Fri, June 14, 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service**

**Wed, June 19, 7:45 AM Minyan**

**Fri, June 21, 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service with Choir**

**Wed, June 26, 7:45 AM Minyan**

**Fri, June 28, 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Monday, August 12,**
**Monday, August 19,**
**Monday, August 26**
- 7:00 PM Bereavement Series with Rabbi Hesh Sommer
- 7:30 PM, New Art Exhibit Opening, Brian Shapiro

*For Information, www.cbsrz.org or call the office at 860-526-8920*
From our President

Our Congregation, Out and About

By Lary Bloom

1. Friday Night Gossip

Several families gathered one recent night at the Joslow house in Chester for a Shabbat dinner and for some gossip. Though, really, it was the highest form of gossip, if there is such a thing.

The week’s Torah portion included references to ritual impurity, to gossip, and other matters, and Rabbi Goldenberg, in helping to prepare for the occasional Shabbat dinners at congregants’ houses (organized by the Outreach Committee), offered some discussion materials to each group.

And so, after we enjoyed the challahs baked by John DeNicola (he said, “They’re nothing special,” but we argued vehemently otherwise), and delicious dinner prepared by Jon and Doreen with some help from the guests, we took a half hour to do our Shabbat duty: that is, consider timeless questions.

Why do we gossip? Why is this behavior worthy of discussion in Torah? The evening’s discussion until then had touched on some safe and secular topics (how much, for example, of us hate to watch Hollywood’s annual Oscar shows.) But when gossip became the topic, the listening quotient heightened.

One of the dinner guests said that we engage in this behavior because of our own sense of inadequacy, and that we think making others look bad will enhance our esteem. He offered other reasons as well. And, of course, none of us wanted to admit that we gossip, which of course is a big lie. (Indeed, after the formal discussion was over, I found myself on the verge of gossiping and could only solve the problem by stuffing my mouth with apple pie and ice cream.)

By the time the dinner was over, and it was the moment to say goodnight and thank you to our hosts, we all knew that this evening had been different from the usual evening, or even Shabbat evening. We had engaged in a deep discussion that made it necessary for us to examine our own behaviors, and to understand, too, some of the tenets of Judaism that perhaps we don’t often think about but, if we did, would help us lead richer lives.

So when Outreach chair Ed Pinn puts out the call next for hosts or guests at Shabbat dinners, please sign up. You won’t leave hungry for spirituality.

2. Fans of Tiger Davis

You no doubt are aware that many of us -- you, too, I hope -- will gather on Monday, May 13, for our annual benefit golf tournament. And you may be thinking, “Well, I’m not really a golfer.”

That’s what Stephen Davis said last year when he signed up for our first annual CBSRZ Shootout at the beautiful Fox Hopyard course in East Haddam.

After we had agreed to play together, he said to me, “Can I borrow your clubs -- I don’t have any.”

I said, “Well, I need them myself, if I’m to play.” I thought, “He doesn’t even have clubs -- this will be a long day.”

He said, “Well, I can just use what you’re not using.”

I said, “OK, ‘When’s the last time you played?”

Stephen paused and thought a bit, and made some reference (I think) to the Paleolithic Age. I thought, “Well, yes, this really will be a long day.” And he said, “I don’t think practice is necessary.”

I put my TopFlite on a tee at hole number one, and took a swing, and hit the ball, apparently, exactly where I was aiming it -- the base of a large oak tree. Stephen, who graciously noted that my shot wasn’t the worst he’d ever seen, took my driver. He set up his ball and then took a backswing that looked to me like that of Tiger Woods. He hit the ball squarely, and demonstrated a graceful follow through. He looked up and watched the ball go straight down the middle, and long, to a place called the fairway (such a place had only been a rumor to me.)

I expect he’ll have a large gallery of fans at this year’s outing. He might even have a club or two. In any case, come out to a lovely spring day.

3. Our Survivors

We commemorated Yom HaShoah this year, as customary, with a joint service with Temple Beth Tikvah of Madison, which was the host. I was asked to light one of six candles in memory of the six million. Mine was the second candle. The first was lit by a woman who really deserved such an honor.

Selma Engler-Wijnberg, 91 years old and a member of TBT, walked slowly to the side of the TBT sanctuary to the candle holders on the wall. This is the same Selma Engler-Wijnberg who was the only known escapee and survivor of the Sobibor death camp, and whose story became widely known when the film, Escape From Sobibor, was released in 1987.

Those days seem long ago and yet just yesterday to Selma, who accepted my compliments by saying, “I didn’t do anything.”

Between our two congregations we have only four Holocaust survivors still with us, still able to tell their stories firsthand. So when, for example, you see Miriam Swidler in our shul, please take a moment to say hello, and to acknowledge her own story, and the gift we have all received by knowing her.

A student, Rebecca Liss, of Woodbridge High School, recently “adopted” Miriam for a class project. She learned Miriam’s story and wrote a report. Here’s a brief excerpt:

“Miriam was born in Poland, but moved to Belgium when she was six years old. When the Germans invaded Belgium, going around the Maginot Line, Miriam went into hiding. She was first taken in as a maid for a wealthy Christian family, only to change places several times over the next couple of years. She was isolated from her family and her culture, immersed into a setting that she did not belong to. Yet, a saintly priest guided her
Internationally Renowned Pianist Dalia Lazar to appear at CBSRZ

SUNDAY, MAY 19th at 5:00 PM

Next up in Music & More 2013 is classical pianist Dalia Lazar who will perform music of Frederic Chopin and Franz Liszt. She and her partner were visiting the Lori Warner Studio/Gallery in downtown Chester when Lori recognized Dalia as the famed musician and called Suzanne Levine and Lary Bloom to come and meet her. Within the hour, Dalia was playing our piano in the sanctuary and offered to be part of our series this year.

Born in Croatia, Ms. Lazar began studying piano at an early age. Her first piano teacher recognized her uncommon talent, and at the age of 16 she was admitted to Moscow’s P.I. Tchaikovsky Conservatory. During her studies in Moscow, Ms. Lazar performed throughout the then-Soviet Union. Immediately after her graduation from the Moscow Conservatory, she decided to continue her career in New York and London. Dalia Lazar made her New York debut at Rubenstein Hall, followed by her Carnegie Recital Hall debut later that year. Since then she has performed a broad repertoire as a soloist in concerts and recitals worldwide. Critics and peers have praised her artistry as "such noble playing," "a profound sentiment," "that rare combination of charisma, personality and terrific pianistic facility," and “... an inspiring display of musical excellence.”

It is truly on honor to have Dalia with us. The concert begins at 5:00 PM with the post-performance reception sponsored by none other than Lori Warner and her Gallery. Tickets are $20 for congregants, $25 for general admission and free for children under 16. For more information or to purchase tickets, please contact Wendy in the office or go to www.cbsrz.org.

Scholar in Residence Weekend
JUNE 7-8, 2013

Peninnah Schram, internationally known storyteller, teacher, author and recording artist, is Professor of Speech and Drama at Stern College of Yeshiva University. She travels across the US and other countries presenting storytelling programs and workshops for all ages, and scholar/storyteller-in residence weekends.

Peninnah is the author of twelve books of Jewish folktales, including Jewish Stories One Generation Tells Another and Stories Within Stories: From the Jewish Oral Tradition. Her illustrated anthology, The Hungry Clothes and Other Jewish Folktales, has been translated into Spanish and Catalan. Her latest illustrated book is The Apple Tree’s Discovery (co-authored with Rachayl Eckstein Davis). She has also recorded a CD, The Minstrel and the Storyteller, with singer/guitarist Gerard Edery.

Peninnah is a recipient of the prestigious Covenant Award for Outstanding Jewish Educator (1995) awarded by The Covenant Foundation. In 1999 she received The Circle of Excellence Award from the National Storytelling Network for "a body of work which is nationally recognized as a shining example of quality in the art form of storytelling performance." Peninnah has also been awarded the National Storytellers Network 2003 Lifetime Achievement Award, "For sustained and exemplary contributions to storytelling in America."

Your Story, Our Story
Celebrating Shabbat with each other and storyteller, Peninnah Schram

On June 7th and 8th, CBSRZ welcomes renowned storyteller, Peninnah Schram, to join us in our celebration of Shabbat. Peninnah Schram, to join us in our celebration of Shabbat. Peninnah, internationally known storyteller, teacher, author, and recording artist, is Professor of Speech and Drama at Stern College of Yeshiva University. She will regale us with stories from Jewish tradition and folklore and guide us to share our own stories with each other.

Friday, June 7th
5:30 PM Decorate the Shabbat dinner table
Join us as we create a festive Shabbat atmosphere. This activ-

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A Klez Act Plays
SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 5:00 PM
By Sean Konecky

When the congregation convenes for its annual picnic on June 23, the soundtrack will once again be supplied by CBSRZ’s house band, A Klez Act. We have had the good fortune of enjoying their music for almost twenty years. Today, A Klez Act has a core of eight stalwart musicians. That number includes three members who have been in the group since its inception: Lary Bloom on keyboards, bandleader and saxophonist Norman Hanenbaum, and trumpeter Harvey Redak. More recent members are Neil Gottfried, clarinet and vocals, Lori Jubelirer, bass, Steve Jacobs, violin, Bill Bertelli, drums, and our cantorial soloist, Belinda Brennan, vocals.

The name Klezmer derives from the Hebrew words for instrument (kle) and music (zemor). Before the destruction of Jewish communities, Klezmer bands enlivened weddings and bar mitzvahs throughout Eastern Europe. Its lively emotional and sometimes raucous strains owe much to Roma traditions. Klezmer and Roma musicians often played together. After the war its popularity subsided, only to witness a revival in the late 1970s and early 1980s led by such groups as the Klezmorim, the Klezmatics and the Klezmer Conservatory Band. One of A Klez Act’s founding members and its first leader, Cookie Segelstein, was also a member of the influential Chicago Klezmer Ensemble.

A Klez Act’s repertoire is drawn from the Klezmer tradition and includes Hebrew and Yiddish folk songs as well examples of what Norman Hanenbaum terms American Jewish music, such as songs from Fiddler on the Roof. Norman arranges all of the band’s music and writes out its sheet music by hand. He has an archive of over 100 compositions.

The musical backgrounds of the band’s members vary. Both Norman and Neil Gottfried are graduates of the Hartt School of Music, although as Neil is quick to point out, they were not in the same class. Lori grew up playing violin, oboe and saxophone. She was recruited for electric bass and debuted with the band around ten years ago. Since then she has become a Klezmer devotee and has even attended Klezmer camp with her children. A highpoint came last year during the band’s performance when her daughter, Nicole, joined the band on vocals for a couple of numbers.

I was surprised to learn that our Belinda Brennan is an autodidact. Her traditional background did not encourage female cantors. But the synagogue has been the beneficiary of her wonderfully soulful singing from bimah as well as with the band. The band’s concert will include her rendition of “Oifn Pripichik,” a Yiddish lullaby that her mother would sing to her.

Finally, I did not want to omit mention of the Alleluia Players. This group, founded by Norman Hanenbaum, twenty-nine years ago, comprises seven musicians with special needs and Norman himself. For all of that time, Norman has been its conductor, arranger, chauffeur, and financier. The group has performed at Carnegie Hall, the Kennedy Center, at several Special Olympics, and at numerous venues in and out of state. Norman has just retired. He deserves our recognition and thanks for his dedication to music and special needs individuals.

The Scholar in Residence Program is made possible through the Sheldon Kutnick Visiting Scholars Fund, in memory of Sheldon Kutnick.
American Cockish by Carolina Marquez-Sterling

**New Art Exhibit Opening:**
Carolina Marquez-Sterling
Friday, May 3, 7:00 PM

The artwork of Carolina Marquez-Sterling has been called “joyous,” “vigorous,” and “provocative.” A humorous, youthful boldness engulfs the viewer like a mid-day Caribbean sun. Her tropical scope transforms the world into a wondrous, lush universe, populated by quirky characters.

A selection of Carolina's larger-than-life work will be exhibited in our Main Street Gallery from May through July 2013. Her show will open on Friday, May 3, when she will be on hand to discuss her pieces and answer congregants’ questions. The exhibit is open to the public at no charge Monday through Friday, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM. The artist will donate a generous percentage of all work sold to CBSRZ.

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**Shoot Out**
MONDAY MAY 13, 2013
FOX HOPIYARD GOLF CLUB
EAST HADDAM, CT

- Registration 10:30 am
- Tee off at noon
- Scramble format
- Tournament winners, contests, raffles and hole-in-one contests
- Lunch and post-golf cocktail hour for awards

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**Second Annual CBSRZ Shootout**

Once again it is time for the golf outing known as the “shootout.” Why do we do this and why should you participate? Why we do this is not like why is this night different from all others. The reason it is not like all others is because we can do this a lot without eating matzah or gefilte fish. I am told that golf is fun, but to me it always seems to eventually become a struggle for some degree of competence. More importantly, you can do this and at the same time enjoy being outside in nice weather, getting some exercise, and being with some friends. On top of that, in true CBSRZ fashion, there is lunch beforehand and cocktails and snacks afterwards. So we have covered all of the necessary issues, companionship, exercise and food. It seems to me that this is a true CBSRZ function. Well, on top of all of that we get to support our synagogue and congregation, at least a little bit. We need to come out and support the synagogue, to participate, to help.

Last year, in Shootout 1, we had a beautiful day at Fox Hopyard Golf Course in East Haddam. For our first outing we did well, but there are no excuses this time. We need lots of players and sponsors. The Rabbi has already made the necessary phone calls to ensure that we are going to have beautiful weather once again. Additionally, we are going a week later than last year, so maybe better weather also, although hard to believe.

The development committee thinks, and more of us also believe, that this is a wonderful way for us to do a small mitzvah for our community. Additionally we are trying very hard to encourage the vendors to our community to participate, whether sending players or participating on a sponsorship level. It is not enough for our outside friends to give us support. The membership must participate in one way or another. Last year one of our members said it was great how the outside community supported us, the intimation being that the community didn’t need to do anything. That is not correct. The community must first step up. After all, it is our community. We need help; be a part of the answer.

Kevin Fox
CBSRZ Launches Second Quarterly Soup Kitchen

After years of growing success hosting a quarterly soup kitchen for Shoreline Soup Kitchen and Pantries in Deep River, CBSRZ has also taken on an SSKP soup kitchen on Sunday evenings at the United Church of Chester. The inaugural Sunday was April 7.

Eight congregants, led by Linda Rigono, prepared and served food at the church. Rabbi Rachel Goldenberg, who, along with her husband, Jim Talbott, and their two children, Amina and Ziv, was among those who participated, was struck by the experience, as not only helping some families in need but helping those who served as well. “To see my 6 year old become so empowered and feel so good about accomplishing things – scooping ice cream and asking strangers what they wanted – was just so rewarding.” Others who volunteered included Sandee and Michael Gelven and Rita Fink.

SSKP runs soup kitchens in Chester every Sunday, which are undertaken by various community groups. Linda Rigono, long-time Social Action chair and continuing activist, volunteers with friends for one Sunday every three months and saw the opportunity for CBSRZ to fill in on another quarterly Sunday commitment which didn’t have a sponsor. The Social Action Committee is working with the religious school and youth group at CBSRZ to turn this Sunday commitment into a youth project beginning this Fall. In the meantime, we will staff this soup kitchen again on Sunday, July 7.

CBSRZ continues its quarterly Thursday Soup Kitchen in Deep River, which has been supervised by Kate Cotton. The number of clients served in Deep River has increased dramatically over the past several years and occasionally reaches over 40. Many CBSRZ congregants have participated, and more are urged to join the efforts. Our next date in Deep River is Thursday, July 18.

To volunteer, contact Linda Rigono: irigono@sbcglobal.net or 860-345-3839.

Listening Campaign Moved to Autumn and Coordinating with AME Zion Church

As you may recall from the January issue of The Whole Megillah, CBSRZ will be participating in a “Listening Campaign” with United Action Connecticut (UACT), an effort to determine what issues are most important and to build stronger member relationships and commitment as a result of each member’s sense of being heard and having a voice.

The Listening Campaign will kick off this fall, and we are looking for twenty or more volunteers to be the interviewers or “listeners.”

Training will take place in October, and each person will interview five congregants in one-on-one sessions in November. UACT has chosen two core congregations to participate in the campaign, CBSRZ and the AME Zion church in Middletown, an African-American congregation, which could also lead to some fascinating work together. Other church members of UACT may join the campaign before October. Please contact Andy Schatz at andy@andrewschatz.com if you are interested in volunteering.

June 17 for Another CBSRZ Blood Drive

The Social Action Committee will be helping at the Red Cross blood drive at CBSRZ on June 17th from 1:00 to 6:00 pm. This continues a string of semi-annual blood drives at CBSRZ which have been very successful, including the most recent in December.

If you would like to help or can drop off some baked goods please email Linda at irigono@sbcglobal.net.

If you would like to donate blood, please call 1-800-givelife.

CBSRZ Plays Its Small Part in Getting Stricter Gun Control

The four months following the Newtown tragedy led to Connecticut adopting what may be the strongest gun control legislation in the country. We at CBSRZ can be proud that we played our small part in reaching this result. Shortly after the mass shooting, the Social Action Committee circulated to the entire congregation a memorandum outlining a strategy to push strong legislation at the State Capitol, which included lobbying, demonstrations and communications. Not only were CBSRZ congregants directly involved in all these measures, but we convinced our partner congregations at United Action Connecticut to throw the full support of UACT behind the measures. The leaders of Connecticut Against Gun Violence, which organized and led the efforts statewide, said UACT involvement was very important, as it represented a part of the state which had previously not been active in their efforts.

The postscript has yet to be written. Although the strategy focused on Connecticut instead of national legislation in light of the history and politics likely to be involved, the Social Action Committee memo also noted that passage in Connecticut might assist with passage of a tougher national law. That effect is now being felt in Washington, and it remains to be seen whether our national leaders can rise to the occasion. In addition, the controversy over gun control spawned significantly greater interest in funding mental health services, especially for adolescents, which would be critical to attempt to address the root cause of mass killings which have become all too common in our country. We look toward further involvement in these developments.

Mama Loshen
Zolst leben un zein gezunt!
You should live and be well!

Kum ich nit heint, kum ich morgen
(Mama Loshen: procrastination)
(lit., if I don’t come today’, I’ll come tomorrow.)

Gai feifen ahfen yam!
Go paddle your fish elsewhere! (lit., go whistle on the ocean)

Sitzeifisch Patience that can endure sitting

A Jewish man having dinner in a restaurant calls to his waiter,
“Taste this soup.”
“Just taste it,” the man says. The waiter goes to taste the soup.
“What are you talking about?” says the waiter.
“Nothing wrong with the soup.”
“Just taste it,” the man says. The waiter goes to taste the soup.
“Goi feifen ahfen yam!”
Go paddle your fish elsewhere! (lit., go whistle on the ocean)

Go peddle your fish elsewhere! (lit., go whistle on the ocean)
**Bat Mitzvah of Jodi Smith**  
May 1, 2013  
Torah Portion: Bamidbar

Please tell the congregation a little about yourself.

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**A Message from the CBSRZ Education Chair, Karen Burzin:**

The task of educating the students in our Hebrew School sounds straightforward: Simply have educators teach their students how to read Hebrew and recite some prayers so the student can become Bar or Bat Mitzvah. If only it were that simple! Ask any parent or young adult affiliated with our program and the answer will be quite the opposite. It's not easy. Years of study and dedication along with the guidance and instruction of quality teachers are what is needed to receive a meaningful Jewish education.

Our school is very fortunate to have the dedication and guidance of twelve women and men who on a weekly basis teach our students that Torah, Worship and Deeds of Loving Kindness are the keys to Judaism.

It's a tradition that on the final day of Hebrew School the students, teachers, madrichim, and parents gather as a community and celebrate the conclusion of the year by passing the Torah from person to person. Each student and teacher is invited to share his or her thoughts and sentiments of the past year. It's a wonderful event enjoyed by all. In conclusion of the celebration, Good-byes and Best of Wishes are expressed to the madrichim, teachers and students who are leaving our school for various reasons. This year Derek Arbidge, Sarah Burzin, Natalie Glazer and Mack Goller will leave their positions as madrichim and transition into the next phases of their lives—college. We wish them well.

This year we also say farewell to Morah Ann Louise Rosensohn as well as Moreh Steve Jacobs—two teachers who have made a positive difference in the religious identity of our students. We will truly miss Ann Louise's cheerful and smiling face, gentle ways, and overall presence on Sunday mornings. Since September of 2001, Ann Louise has been the first teacher to lovingly introduce Judaism to our youngest students.

Since September of 2002, Steve's students have benefited from his love of music, Judaism, and history. Steve's dedication to Jewish education is evident in and out of his classroom. As an artist, Steve has shared his musical talents and creativity with his students by playing his violin and guitar in services as well as in his class. We wish peaceful Sunday mornings to Ann Louise and Steve and thank their families for sharing them with us for over a decade.

On behalf of the education committee, I extend a note of gratitude to our teachers:

Ann Louise Rosensohn, Debbie Guss, Eric Infeld, Marjorie Lander, Jim Talbott, Debby Trautmann, Evelyn Foster, John DeNico, Steve Jacobs, Tracy Kleinberg, Belinda Brennan and Rabbi Rachel Goldenberg.

Our school is a better place because of you.
Highlights from the Olim Weekend Retreat at Camp Jewell

On the weekend of March 15-17, our Olim (7th grade class), traveled to YMCA Camp Jewell in Colebrook, CT, with me and chaperone Lauren Gister. Every year our Olim, who are in the process of becoming Bar and Bat Mitzvah, spend this weekend away with each other to bond, learn, and celebrate Shabbat.

We welcomed Shabbat on Friday night with blessings and pizza and a prayerbook-less candlelit service. Then we proceeded to the camp’s indoor rope course to climb the cargo net. On Shabbat (Saturday,) we prayed, had a lively discussion of the Torah portion, and spent many hours on the camp grounds doing fun activities. I think our favorites were the snow tubing, down a huge hill covered with thick icy snow, and the flying squirrel, another rope activity where the class acts as a “pull team” while one by one, each student gets hooked up to a harness and flies!

Camp Jewell provides a staff of counselors for our group to direct the recreational activities as well as some challenging team-building games. This class of Olim worked incredibly well as a team, right from the start. I think the counselors were quite impressed.

It is amazing to see what a group of eight 12 and 13-years olds can do, both on and off the bimah. If you haven’t yet attended a Bar or Bat Mitzvah at our shul, you should definitely check out this class. They are surely our future leaders, and they are a really fun group to hang out with. Thanks Olim for a wonderful weekend! 

Rabbi G.

Some comments from the weekend

The highlight of the Olim retreat to Camp Jewell was having fun with all my friends. We got to do various activities together, like snow tubing, and the Dutch Auction, and feeding farm animals, and so much more! Also, we got the chance to climb up a cargo net, and do the Flying Squirrel. I really enjoyed my time at Camp Jewell, and I could, would definitely do it again!

Maddy Evans

My highlight from the trip, for me, was the game Dutch Auction that we got to play, the cabin time we got to spend, bonding and sleeping, and the Havdallah and Torah Studies we got to share.

Acadia Barrengos

I loved the team building exercises because they helped to strengthen the bond that the class already had!!

Andi Roman

Bat Mitzvah of Madelyn Evans

Date: May 18, 2013
Torah Portion: Naso

Please tell the congregation a little about yourself.
I’m in 7th grade at John Winthrop Middle School. My favorite things to do are to act and sing and dance. I am currently in my school play, “Thoroughly Modern Millie.” I also act at camp in the summer. I like to read, play volleyball and ski. My favorite subject is Language Arts because I like to read and write and Art. I live with my parents, my brother Jeremy and my cat, Oliver.

What excites you the most about your bat mitzvah?
I can’t wait to show all my family and friends what I’ve been working on and how hard I’ve worked. I can’t wait to celebrate with all of them.

What does becoming a bat mitzvah mean to you?
It means I am finally becoming part of the Jewish community and accepting the responsibility of being a Jewish adult and I am showing this by being ready to chant Torah.

Have you thought at all about your Torah portion?
Yes it is about the Nazarites and their laws and what you do when your turn is up being a Nazarite. At the end there is a priestly blessing. I will be talking about how the laws of the Nazarites connect to the priestly blessing.

Did you do a mitzvah project?
Yes, I am raising money for St Jude’s Children’s Hospital – over the summer I had lemonade stands and sold food and crafts. Over February break I met with art classes at my mom’s school and we made cards for kids that I am going to send to kids at St Jude’s Hospital. I am also hoping to collect toys to send as well.
designed to help us talk about our ideas and values connected to the topic. Very often this involves asking us to “debate” with one another. The brotherhood set up very clear guidelines at our first meeting to ensure everyone is heard.

The stage is set for us to speak about more personal issues—with scripted prompts. In speaking of courage, we might ask—“Talk about a time in your life when you did something that you were initially afraid to do. A time when you were brave, when you had courage.”

The last piece—the cherry on top of the sundae—is a closing ritual drawn from our Jewish heritage. For our discussion of “Wisdom” we closed with a section of the Kiddush Levana or blessing of the new moon.

Shevet Achim is an exciting, energy filled experience for all of us. This class allows each member a connection with other Jewish young men in a safe place. We continue onward, together. We plan to extend the group into the next school year. If you are interested, contact Belinda Brennan, our director, for details.

Stu Baker

Fashioning and Affirming Religious Identity for Ourselves and Our Children: Some Reflections

During the 2011-2012 school year, Congregation Beth Shalom Rodfe Zedek shared in a partnership with Temple Beth Tikvah and with Jewish Family Services of New Haven.

In response to questions and concerns raised by parents who faced the challenges of how best to instill a positive religious identity in their children, we created a series of monthly workshops to give parents a chance to talk with one another, to share their thoughts with their congregations’ rabbis and educators and, in a facilitated setting, to explore questions about their own sense of religious identity and its impact on their children.

It was my honor to facilitate those sessions and it was also gratifying, at the conclusion of those sessions, to know that participants wanted to have our sessions continue for a second year.

This year, those who have participated have responded to the confidential setting by sharing more of their own backgrounds, their personal religious journeys and their challenges and joys in creating a warm and welcoming religious life in their homes and within their synagogues. I have been touched by the heartfelt issues of concern, the “nachas” (good inner feelings) expressed when they hear and see the comfortable feelings that their children have regarding who they are as individuals of faith.

Scheduling these sessions has been no easy task and yet the commitment made by the participants has been truly heartwarming. We have one session left this year on May 12th (10:00-11:30am) at the Guest House Retreat Center. If you haven’t had a chance to share in one of these sessions, you are more than welcome to join us.

I am most thankful to work with the individuals who are exploring the challenging issues about their own religious identities and the religious identities of their children.

Rabbi Hesch Sommer, D.Min.
Director of the Jewish Family Service’s Wellness and Healing Center

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several steps along the way, helping her find families to take her in, as well as a job after the war was finished. Twenty-seven people died on her father’s side... Yet, Miriam somehow emerged as a strong woman...She has taught me to stand up for what I believe is right, even if, in the end, it does not concern me. Spreading awareness is crucial and is the purpose of this program. I will always remember this experience and I will never forget.”

4. Thank You, Dear Editor

This issue is the last one edited by Susan Peck, who has performed so well in this position, convincing so many congregants that they have stories to tell, that she regularly called me to say, in the immortal words of famous editors,

“I have too much good stuff. What will I do?”

The Whole Megillah is hard work, of course, and Susan would like to move on to other challenges. But before she does I’d like to thank her in this space for her diligence, her thoughtfulness, and the level of intensity and art that she has brought to the job.

Sean Konecky, stalwart of Holy Scrollers, will produce the July-August issue. The Whole Megillah will be published bi-monthly during the next year and we urge that you become part of the process by helping in any way you can. That is, help get the word out to all about the vibrancy and spirituality of a congregational community like none other.
CBSRZ Community Garden

Eat local. Even better, grow your own. This will be the fourth year for our community garden. We have plots available if you would like one. The sizes are 20’ by 20’ or 20’ by 10’. The fee is $50 for the season, working on a few clean up days, and giving 10% of your crops to the food pantry or soup kitchen. If you are interested please email lrigono@sbcglobal.net.

Nate Hausman, son of John, who attends Holy Scrollers with some frequency and contributes to the group discussion with great pleasure announced his acceptance to West Point. A hearty congratulations to Nate.

CBSRZ Board of Directors

Meeting Highlights, April 11, 2013


1. President Bloom opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.
2. Rabbi’s report: We had a beautiful Pesach season and Seder. We’ll be discussing the budget tonight and sees it as a sacred document which captures our vision, priorities and strategic future changes. It reflects how congregants can bring leadership.
3. President’s report: We have a new beautiful brochure; poster for Shootout golf tournament. Music & More program book is very impressive and beautiful. The Whole Megillah will have 6 issues [every other month] with Sean Konecky as the new interim editor for the first issue in July/August; Sept/Oct will be moved up to August 20th, the business directory is being launched on our website; Ellen Nodelman had a blog on the B’nai Mitzvah class.
4. The Nominating/Governance Committee does not yet have a slate for the board. There are 3 committee chairs to fill: Development, Communications and Facilities. Many thanks to Henry Resnikoff, Erica Udoff and George Amarant for their tireless work.
5. Sandy Seidman financial report: We’re right on course and still haven’t taken the funds from endowment. We have enough to carryover in cash. And there’s a very good possibility we’ll make budget.
6. Kevin Fox—treasurer’s report: $48,500 in receivables and anticipates we’ll collect all of it. Golf tournament is coming! Need your support. Some money already raised, some folks have joined but need more players and more sponsors.
7. Legacy: New Haven Foundation and Jewish Federation has a Grinspoon Trust which established a legacy plan. We will work with them to create a marketing plan and will be contacting congregants.
8. Budget Discussion: Sandy Seidman—Budget was discussed and a revised budget will be presented at the May meeting.
9. Old Business:
   a. Rabbi G. reported on the Listening Campaign which will start in the fall and will partner with AME African American Methodist Church in Middletown.
   b. George Amarant reported the first part of roof repair is completed. When there is dry weather in 50s he will then caulk. If leaking continues will call outside assistance to evaluate.
10. Lary Bloom: There was 100% board participation in supporting the Music & More program book. Ed Reed will be performing on April 28, 2013. Books and Bagels with Arthur Meyers new book, Democracy in America will be held on April 14, 2013.

Submitted by Miriam Gardner-Frum

CBSRZ Board of Directors

Meeting Highlights, March 14, 2013

1. The meeting was called to order by vice president Gardner-Frum. At 7:30 PM. Rabbi’s Report: Updates: All eight Olim students going to Camp Julie. Marc Fink is bringing three youths to a regional NIFTY event. First time in eight years or more CBSRZ children attending a NIFTY event. Early times for Shabbat in January and February were successful. Rabbi asking for input for theme about programming for 2013-2014.
2. Budget: all budget requests are due to Sandy Seidman by March 30 for review at the April Board meeting.
3. Financial Report: Budget progress in a nutshell doing ok. 73% anticipated revenues in, spent 59% of anticipated expenses. Currently cash including all investments are over $1,000,000 with $58,000 in receivables.
4. Centerpiece: Lynne Zimmerman presented an update on Chesed and on the religious school. Linda Sherman will be Chesed chair. Rabbi, Linda and Lynne met about “next” steps, the desire to revitalize committee and have a structure that extends beyond individual, visiting the ill, follow up on pastoral needs. We need to invite people to participate in Chesed and will now start seeking the senior coordinator and get that off the ground.
5. Idea of a “buddy system” discussed and more Informal ways and help one another, matching congregants, especially for new members, creating mentor system. Make a mission statement or state a goal to know what is being sought for each “mixture” of committees working together. Marketing strategies, branding strategies, outreach and in-reach, retaining membership. Touches on every corner of the congregation and yet sit in our own little committees.
6. Rabbi: outreach and in-reach: good theme for next year. Is there a way to open the door to unaffiliated families by engaging them in events?
7. Making sure about coordinating schedules, certain general ideas and all activities take account of youth, seniors, interfaith, geography. As a default involve these categories.
8. Ed Pinn reported 218 attended Shabbat Across America.

Submitted by Henry Resnikoff
PHOTO GALLERY

Shabbat Across America, l-r: Marc Fink, Tracy Kleinberg, John DeNicola, Norm Rutty

Handwashing at the Congregational Seder

Artist Sandra Kensler

Poachers–The Shabbat Across America salmon poaching crew
I-r: Susan Peck, Ed Pinn, Bruce Josephy, Carol LeWitt

Deborah Rutty

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A Soldier’s Story: Part 3

By Ethan Goller

I received a week of R & R after basic, which I spent with Mom, before having to report for two months of demolition school, located about thirty minutes south of Gush Etzion, at a base called D’vere. There we learned how to handle explosives, like C4 plastic explosives and TNT, and the proper way to blow stuff up. We also learned just about everything there is to know about mines, and how to be a sapper, all the while continuing to hone our skills as combat infantrymen.

HaHandasa HaKravit, (the Israeli Corps of Combat Engineers) like the U.S. Army Corps of Combat Engineers, is also responsible for construction (not just blowing stuff up). There are whole companies that train to operate heavy equipment like cranes and bulldozers, in addition to being infantrymen. When I completed demolition school, my unit was assigned to work with one of those units to build a new base for Heil HaModi’in (Israeli Intelligence Corps) deep inside a series of three conjoined mountains, located in the west-central Sinai Desert, not too far from the Suez Canal. My unit’s job was to literally blow off the mountain tops and to create craters in their place for the heavy construction equipment. We did this by drilling holes with gas-powered hand operated diamond-tipped Cobra drills. It was a two-step process. First, we would drill holes that were about 6 cm in diameter and several meters deep and about 15 meters apart. Then we would lower a small charge of explosives with a blasting cap to the bottom of the shaft, connected by a length of safety fuse (safety fuse burns at a rate of 1 cm per second, so you can pretty accurately time the detonation by the length of the fuse). This preliminary blast would create a cavern at the bottom of the shaft that was several meters in diameter. Next, we would pour TNT down the shaft. If you’ve never had the chance to handle TNT, it comes in large sacks about half full, we would lower another small explosive charge down the shaft, to pack it into the middle of the TNT. But this time, the blasting cap would be connected with a length of detonating cord (“det. cord”) a type of fuse that ignites at a rate of about 4 miles per second, essentially instantaneously. Once this procedure was done all over the mountain top, we would tie together all the lengths of det. cord that came out of the dozens of holes we had prepared, with a single common length of det. cord, which we then rigged with a 30 minute timer.

My squad was assigned the uppermost level of the three plateaus. Another squad had the plateau in the center and a third squad, the lowermost level. Charges on these other two levels had been similarly set, and they were all timed to detonate simultaneously. The truck that brought our three squads up was with my squad. Once the timers were activated, and coordinated by radio, we raced down the mountain picking up the other two squads along the way. Everything had been timed so we could get about 5 kilometers away at detonation, which our officers had determined would be a safe distance. The synchronized explosion was spectacular, and a big cheer went up among us, but was brought to quick silence when moments later, a boulder about half the size of our truck, landed just a few meters away. I don’t know if our laughter that followed was tension release or what, but it did make for a great story, and I can’t help but laugh out loud as I retell it here. I was stationed in Sinai for six months. I loved my time in the desert and marveled at the beauty of its vast emptiness. I would often spend my leaves SCUBA diving up and down the coast of the Red Sea, as far south as Ras Muhammad at the very tip, and exploring the many wonders the desert had to offer.

After my assignment in Sinai, I was transferred to Handasa Yammit (Corps of Naval Engineers). The base I was transferred to was one near Kibbutz Zikim, located on the Mediterranean coast, south of Ashkelon (hopefully not the last time I’ll be able to live somewhere with an ocean view). My unit there was also trained as light mechanized combat infantrymen, but we had various specialized jobs, and I was trained on a German built Gillois-EWK Type R III Class 60 amphibious craft that could drive on land and quickly convert to amphibious mode and drive directly into the water. There were two types: “Ramp” and “Bridge.” They were designed as a way to quickly erect a prop powered floating bridge to move primarily tanks, but vehicles of any kind, across a body of water. A minimum of one ramp unit...
would connect to one or more bridge unit in the water, to form a length of floating bridge to pick up and deliver tanks from one canal bank to another. We had a crew of four, which included the driver (on land), the radio operator/mechanic; our commander; and my job, pilot. My company was assigned the Suez Canal.

Like many Handasa units, we were assigned temporary tours of clearing old minefields. My unit’s turn came up in 1977. We were assigned to a minefield laid by Israel prior to the Six Day War along what used to be the Jordanian border at Tzur Baher, a village in Jerusalem. It’s a slow and tedious process. I read later that the work on that minefield was finally completed in 2005 as part of the Tzur Baher Minefield Clearance Project.

I leveraged my Leavenworth connections only one time during my service. After eight months in Naval Engineers, I was getting restless and bored by the routine, and I asked one of my general friends if he could get me transferred to Shirion (Tanks Corps). I had worked around tanks a lot in Engineers, because we trained to clear the way for them should they encounter a minefield. I was intrigued by these powerful machines, and I was anxious for something new. It took about a month for the transfer to come through. Because I had already done basic training, I was sent directly to tank school, where crewmen are trained for one of three positions: Gunner, Loader/Radio Operator or Driver which, along with our commander, make up a tank crew. I was assigned to be a driver of a 1960’s vintage Centurion, a British made tank first used in WWII, which had recently been through a complete retrofit and upgrade to more sophisticated weapons and other improvements.

In September 1977, upon completion of training, my crew of three (not our commander) was assigned to the 188th “Barak” (Lightning) armored brigade, which is part of the northern command. We were stationed in the Golan Heights, where I spent the rest of my army career. One of our first assignments was a three month tour on Mount Hermon, the highest elevation in Israel, and home to one of Israeli Intelligence’s most strategic and secret installations. There was a company of tanks there as part of the base defense, which was our primarily responsibility, but we were also part of the rotation for guard duty and the manning of forward observation posts overlooking Syria. One of my more harrowing experiences occurred during a drill on Mt. Hermon. Each tank was assigned a specific position in the event of an attack. Ours was down the mountain about a kilometer away from the main base. The road that winds up and down to and from the base was gravel, and just barely wide enough for a tank. On the one side of the road was the mountain but on the other side a sheer drop-off of several thousand feet. Getting to our position quickly was paramount, and I vividly recall my commander’s voice booming through my headset: “Ode gas Goller, ode gaz, yotar mahar… zooz!” (“More gas Goller, more gas, faster… move it!”), and of course I complied. But on one sharp turn, the loose gravel was unresponsive to my steering commands, and instead of turning, we were sliding right off the edge of the mountain! Not until, I swear, half the tank was over the edge, did the treads finally bite, and just barely make the turn, but not before I heard my commander suck in his breath at the same time as I did.

While all the units I served in had various live operations, both within and beyond Israel’s borders, I did experience combat in March 1978 during Operation Litani, Israel’s response to the Coastal Road massacre. The Coastal Road massacre of 1978 was an attack carried out by the PLO where they hijacked an Israeli bus in which 38 Israeli civilians, including 13 children, were killed and 71 were wounded. My company, ironically preceded by my former unit of Combat Engineers to clear the way of mines, spearheaded the 25 kilometer push to the Litani River in Lebanon. Certainly at the time, we believed we were successful in our mission. But reading about it in Wikipedia today, does give a different perspective than what I remember at the time. That said, nothing can change the sense of purpose and resolve I remember about why we were there. UNIFIL (United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon) was created shortly after the initial offensive. It was responsible for overseeing the withdrawal of Israeli troops from Lebanon, which we eventually did, but not before the end of my six month tour there. I’m seen here the day after our return sitting atop our complete armament, having emptied our tank of it and everything else for maintenance.

After returning from Lebanon, I spent the remainder of my tour-of-duty with the same crew on the same base in the Golan Heights, until completing my 2½ years of service. I remember reflecting back to being at the Bakum, and because I was a year older than most everyone else inducted, being told that I was only required to serve 2½ years. I argued with the clerk “That’s not fair! I want to serve the same 3 years as every other guy.” But the clerk only laughed, and told me, “Don’t worry, when the time comes if you still want to, the army will be happy to sign you up for more.” But as much as I count my experience in the Israeli Army as one of the most meaningful of my life, second only to meeting and marrying my wife Rona and having our son Mack, I was ready to return to the States, which I did in 1979. I regret that I’ve lost touch with most of the men I served with, although my gunner Dov and I have remained close, and we’ve visited him and his family in Zichron Yaakov, Israel, and his wife and three grown daughters stayed with us just last year in our home in Iveryton.

Writing all of this down, and I’ve only shared perhaps half of what I remember (or feel appropriate for public consumption), has been a wonderful exercise for me. It’s also helped to bring back mostly fond memories. Thanks again to Arthur Meyers for getting me to do this. It has been fun!
Memorial Plaques
Iyyar 21-Sivan 22, 5773

Philip Greenberg
Mildred Greenwald
Elizabeth Gwillim
Sam Harris
Minnie Horowitz
Odette Jueblirer
Gussie Kleinberg
Max Kurfurste
Mary Elgart Land
Sadeh Sanol
Evelyn Levine
Alfred LeWitt
Sophie LeWitt
Libby Lieber
Abe Litschak
Jack Michael
Henry Miller
Samuel Miller
Isidore Needelman

Albert Pear
Louis Proctor
Howard Cutler Redak
Isidore Romanoff
Max Rosenberg
Nathan Rosenberg
Esther Rotfuss
Morris Salzmann
Dr. Harold Samuels
Israel Samuels
Marjorie Schneller Dewitz
Abraham Seidman
Frances Shkenkman
Jack Svin
Harvey Turkel
Milton Weiner
Frances Weinstein

Memorial Plaques
Sivan 23-Tammuz, 5773

Julia Frankel
Lena Frankel
Sam Gelber
Morris Goldman
Louis Gottfried
Marion Gottfried
Rebecca Gottfried
Alfred Kram
Rose Kurfurste
Louis Charles Lerner
Morris Magen
Barney Milavsky
Adelle Miller
Clarice “Top” Miller
Ethel Baron Navasky
Morris Pear
Isaac Paltstein
Adolf Pukowski
Saul Redak
Charles Sachs
Samuel Sacks
Morris Sandberg
Sal Schreiber
Sam Siker
Samuel Saber
Tamara Tedel
Lillian Wald
Dr. Emanuel Waldinger
Yetta Weber
Alice Wolff

Yahrzeits
Iyyar 21-Sivan 22, 5773

Gertrude Adler — mother of Jacqueline Michael
Meyer Breslow — father of Abe Breslow
Lena Buchzieger — sister of Estelle Breslow
Carlyn Censer — mother of Gay Clarkson
Lois Dietch — sister of Susan Peck
Morris Dietch — father of Susan Peck
Morris Elkin — grandfather of Robin Freeman
Michaella Feld — mother of Gail Feld
Diane Gibralter — mother of Phyllis Ross
Max Ginsburg — grandfather of Marlene Scharr
Howard Gold — father of Elizabeth DiLabrozio
George Goldenberg — grandfather of Rachel Goldenber
Harry Goldenstein — father of Jackie Hastings
Belle Greenberg — observed by Daniel & Jacqueline Wolff
Mildred Greenwald — dear friend of Maxine Leichtman
Elizabeth Gwillim — wife of Lary Bloom
Minnie Horowitz — grandmother of Sheila Byrne
Morton Iberman — father of Barry Iberman
Odette Jueblirer — mother of Brad Jueblirer
Mizzi Kreznor — mother of Roni Berson Weiner
Sophie LeWitt — mother-in-law of Carol LeWitt
Ellie Linden — daughter of Larry and Dana Linden

Nathan Meyers — father of Arthur Meyers
Selma Meyers — mother of Arthur Meyers
Jack Michael — husband of Jacqueline Michael
Samuel Michael — brother-in-law of Jacqueline Michael
Henry Miller — father of Suzanne Levine
Samuel Miller — uncle of Ellen Friedman
Alvin Moscitz — grandfather of Dan Pardo
Sarah Palmer — mother of George Palmer; grandmother of Peg Palmer
Albert Pear — brother of Joseph Pear
Howard Cutler Redak — brother of Harvey and Danny Redak
Miriam Rosenblum — grandmother of Debra Trautmann
Ann Fredrica Rowland — mother of Ann Louise Rosensohn
Fanny Saffir — grandmother of Ron and Richard Glassman
Albert George Samburg — Jon Samzburg’s father
Dr. Harold Samuels — father of Palmer Morrel-Samuels
David Schaefer — father of Johanna Schaefer
Esther Levine Schaefer — mother of Johanna Schaefer
Marjorie Schneller Dewitz — sister of Dick Schneller
Rose Meyers Schwartz — sister of Arthur Meyers
Abraham Seidman — father of Sandy Seidman
Louis Sherman — father of Linda Pinn
Harry Sobol — father of Beatrice Case
Mark Solomon — father-in-law of Harvey Hoberman
Elnor Tilles — wife of Sal Tilles
Harvey Turkel — father of Robin Freeman
Adam Weissman — brother of Laura Roman

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Sivan 23-Tammuz, 5773

David Irving Adler
Lena Altman
Lillian K. Ansell
Sol M. Ansell
Maurice Ansell
Saul Ansell
Sister of Marlene Scharr
Isadore Romanoff
North Rosenberg
Esther Rotfuss
Morris Salzmann
Dr. Harold Samuels
Israel Samuels
Marjorie Schneller Dewitz
Abraham Seidman
Frances Shkenkman
Jack Svin
Harvey Turkel
Milton Weiner
Frances Weinstein

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David Irving Adler — Father of Rochelle Dauenheimer
Yolanda Baliko - sister of Tony Rigone
Florette Belport — niece of Nancy Needelman
Karen Jay Berford — niece of Norman Needelman
Estelle Siker Bernstein — niece of Joel Bernstein
Abe W. Bloom — father of Lary Bloom
Marvin Bulon — father of Leslie Bulon
Frances Cohen — mother of Hila Rosen
Ruth Crair — mother of Michael Crair
Celia Elkin — grandmother of Robin Freeman
Gary Fox — brother of Kevin Fox
Richard Freedman — husband of Frances Freedeman
Simonne Frum — mother of Miriam Gardner-Frum
Anna Glassman — mother of Abraham Glassman
Max Glassman — father of Abraham Glassman
Louis Goodman — father of Linda Polomski
Louis Gottfried — loved one of Mae Wichman; great-grandfather of Ellen Gottfried
Rachelle Gottfried — loved one of Mae Wichman; great-grandmother of Ellen Gottfried
Dr. Samuel Hutt — father of Philip Hutt
Esther Indianer — mother of Marcia Meyers
Vivian Kahn — aunt of Philip Hutt
Morris Mager — father of Estelle Breslow
Ida Mallis — aunt of Linda Rigone
Lee Marcus — father of Natalie Lindstrom
Abraham Michael — father-in-law of Jacqueline Michael
Milton Miler — uncle of Adrienne Hutt
Adele Miller — mother of Ellen Friedman
Clarice “Top” Miller — mother of Suzanne Levine
Emma Nadler — mother of Steve Nadler
William Payton — father of Harvey Payton
Morris Pear — father of Joseph Pear
Saul Redak — father of Danny Redak and Harvey Redak
Harry Rosen — father of Saul Rosen
Mildred Rosen — mother of Saul Rosen
Alice Saltzman — mother of Joel Saltzman
Lillian Saykin — mother of Adele Saykin
Pearl Shiling — mother of David Shiling
Amy Sullivan — wife of Bruce Joseph
Elaine Turkel — mother of Robin Freeman
Lillian Wald — mother of Marc Wald
Alice Williams — wife of Harvey Resnick
Alice Wolff — loved one of Daniel & Jacqueline Wolff
Meyer Zarchin — father of Lorraine Klappholz and Sandy

Condolences
Our heartfelt condolences are extended to:

Barbara Edelson on the recent death of her cousin, Gary Coblenz.
Bill Rustckamp on the recent loss of his brother, Edward Rustckamp.
Johanna Schaefer on the recent loss of her cousin, Betsy Drilich.

Refuah Shlemah

Marilyn Buel
Ralph Friedman
Beth Gottlieb
Revalyn Klein Hickey
Eileen Iberman
Howard Kaplan
Bill Konecky
Sol Meller
Donna Miller
Mark Norman
Louis Ross
Arthur Sherman
Linda Thal
Peggy Tunick
Jo Watanabe

Please remember to inform Beth Brewer, chair of the Chesed Committee, if you or someone you know is ill, in need of help, or has experienced a death in the family. Our Chesed Committee is here to help.
# May 2013

**21 Iyyar-22 Sivan, 5773**

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High Holidays are early this year!

- Erev Rosh Hashanah, September 4
- Rosh Hashanah, September 5-6
- Kol Nidre, September 13
- Yom Kippur, September 14

Mark your calendar
Times to be announced

The Whole Megillah may be viewed in color on the web at www.cbsrz.org