

# THE Menorah

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## A Message From Our Rabbi

by Rabbi Debra Orenstein

### NEW YEAR, NEW METHODS

Just after I entered rabbinical school, I found out that I needed surgery. I had some decisions to make about my schooling, the Jewish holidays that were upon us, and my care. The decisions weren't hugely consequential in the long term, and I knew that – even at the time. Yet I was stuck and tearful about what to move ahead with, what to put on hold, which surgery and surgeon to choose, and how and where to celebrate the Season. My father, of blessed memory, offered one of the best pieces of advice he ever gave me. “When I am not sure of what to do,” he said, “I always try the thing that I haven't tried before. That way, no matter what happens, I am guaranteed to learn something.”

So that year, I stayed in a relative's empty house instead of joining community and going to shul. I managed my pain, rested, meditated, came to a decision about my treatment, and prepared myself - physically, emotionally, and spiritually - for surgery. It turned out to be a fabulous decision. Departing from a routine I have observed every year of my life before and since, I felt brave. Brave enough to choose a treatment plan that some key people in my life didn't like. Brave enough – and motivated enough – to carve out a few days in silence and



solitude almost every year since.

My father's wisdom reminds me of a few other quotations, which also offer advice on doing things differently:

*“The significant problems we have cannot be solved at the same level of thinking with which we created them.”*

– Albert Einstein (various wordings attributed)

*“Between two evils, I always pick the one I never tried before.”*

– Mae West

*“Every year on Rosh Hashanah, my goal is to come into the Holidays with a better class of sin.”*

– Rabbi Yosef Kanefsky

While these quotations have different levels of seriousness and piety, they all share one essential idea: Life is an adventure in changing yourself and expanding your own horizons, more than it is a journey of external challenges or opportunities.

News flash: “change will require us to do something different.”

For the last few months, I have been taking online classes on how to help people create change. The latest teaches a technique created by B.J. Fogg of Stanford University's Persuasive Tech Lab. He invented “Tiny Habits,” which combines the best of the Japanese process of Kaizen with double-blind studies to measure effectiveness in habit formation. His main thesis is: you have to start *tiny* (not just small); link your new, desired habits to already-engrained habits, and bypass the need for willpower by creating rituals to support the life you want.

Every year for the last seven years, I have taught a single two-hour High Holiday preparation seminar, which has required an entire evening's commitment, plus follow-up, from participants. As we prepare for the 5778, I plan to usher in the New Year in a new way. I will offer a Chai (aka Life) Challenge beginning on Chai Elul, the 18<sup>th</sup> day of Elul (Friday at sunset on September 7 – sunset at Saturday, September 8 in the English calendar). Each day of the challenge, between September 7 and Rosh Hashanah, I will offer a *tiny* bit of Torah and a suggestion for one *tiny* action or exercise you can try. The Chai Challenge will be delivered electronically, so you can engage it whenever you have a *tiny* opening in your schedule. Read the Shul Shmooz to learn how you can participate.

# CANTOR'S CORNER

by Cantor Lenny Mandel

## WELCOME BACK—

It's going to be a very exciting year. Not only do we have 20+ B'nai Mitzvah, but Rabbi Orenstein and I have some interesting ideas for creative services again.



I treasure all the time (ok, most of the time) that I spend here: the joyous and the sad, working with you, your kids, and being up on the Bimah chanting our prayers together.

The prayer that tops the list is one of the most chilling and most stirring of all the prayers that I chant on both Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur: the U'Netaneh Tokef prayer—*Let us proclaim the mighty holiness of this day, for it is awe-inspiring and fearsome.*

The prayer goes on: *The great shofar is sounded and a still soft voice is heard.*

I love to think that even during the quietest, the holiest, and the most moving moments of our services we may hear a voice, a laugh, or a cry which is the soft voice (Ok, sometimes not so soft) of a young child. They're the future – yours and ours, and I love hearing it, but I don't believe that's the soft voice the prayer is speaking about.

The Book of Leviticus starts with the word *Vayikra*, "and [God] called."

The word *Vayikra* as written in the Torah has a tiny last letter, the letter aleph, which has been a source of discussion by scholars throughout the ages.

Some argue that it is because Moses was such a humble man that G-D didn't want to CRY OUT. Some say that G-D should be heard in all the small things in life, not only large, great things.

The Lord tells the prophet Elijah that He, G-D, would not be found in the wind, or the noise of an earthquake, or in the brightness of a burning fire, but rather in

a small voice, in the sound of a whisper.

The first tablets that Moses brought down from Sinai were given with great noise – thunder, lightning, volcanic explosions – and they ended up being smashed to bits. The second set of tablets were given quietly and privately to Moshe, and then from him to all the children of Israel.

In 1 Kings, 19:11-12 it is written—*"And on that day, on Yom Kippur, a great shofar shall be sounded "And the Lord passed by. There was a great and mighty wind, splitting mountains and shattering bricks by the power of the Lord; but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind—an earthquake; but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake—fire; but the Lord was not in the fire. After the fire—a soft murmuring voice [still, thin sound]."*

G-d Himself blows the shofar, and He doesn't have to scream in your ears; he speaks in a still small voice.

I continue chanting, 'The angels tremble,' and they proclaim 'Today is Judgment day' –What terrifies the angels? That still, small voice.

G-d calls out to his creatures with a small aleph– so that they see Him in every aspect of life, no matter how small and insignificant it may appear on its surface.

Maybe we're being told to learn by example, to speak in a way that allows people to open their ears, and, by listening, open their hearts as well. I pray that we all (me, most of all) heed that lesson.

So, welcome back, and to paraphrase the opening line of the theme song from the TV series *Welcome Back, Kotter* : **Welcome back, your dreams are your ticket IN...**

The entire Mandel family - Shelly, Stacie, Wayne, Dylan, Ari, Spencer and Rabbi/Cantor Lenny—wish you a sweet, prosperous, joyous and HEALTHFUL New Year.

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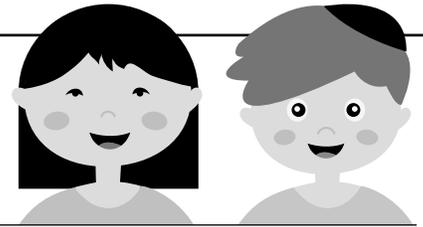
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# The Principal's Pen

by Karen Weiss, Principal

Emily Perlman, & Karen Tenzer, Education Co-Chairs



**W**elcome back to all our Hebrew School families! We hope you had a wonderful summer full of rest, relaxation, and reading.



Please mark your calendar for the first day of Hebrew School on **Sunday, September 10**. Hebrew School begins at 9:00 am with the morning minyan, and we encourage you to come with your children and stay for the service. At 9:30 am, the children will go to their classrooms to meet their teachers and begin the school year. At the same time we invite all the parents to stay and catch up over bagels and a schmear in the back of the sanctuary.

On this first day of Hebrew School, the Men's Club, Education Committee, and Membership, will be co-hosting a Welcome Back BBQ (yes, more food!). We plan to end Hebrew School at 11:00 am so that the children can play some games (Simon Sez anyone?), enjoy a hot dog or two, and reconnect with their Hebrew School community. This event is for the whole family, so please plan on being there. In addition, if you have any friends or family members who may be interested in joining CBI, the Welcome Back BBQ is a

perfect 'meet and greet' opportunity for them.

Along with the start of the new Hebrew School year, come thoughts of the High Holidays. Rosh Hashanah begins at sunset on **Wednesday, September 20**. The Education Committee has worked hard to plan interesting, engaging, and educational programs for children ages 6-11. We strongly encourage all Prozdor-Dalet students to attend Junior Congregation at 10:00 am on both the first and second day of Rosh Hashanah, as well as on Yom Kippur. As a reminder, Hey students are expected to attend services in the main sanctuary starting at 9:00am.

We hope to have many exciting events throughout the 2017-2018 school year, but we can always use your help! From being a class parent, to setting up breakfast following Sunday minyan, to helping organize Chanukah and Purim programs, there are countless opportunities for you to get involved in your Jewish community. Please come to our parent meeting on **Sunday, September 17** in order to hear from our principal, and explore the many ways your participation can ensure that CBI's Hebrew School is a great experience for you and your children!

We look forward to seeing you in the Hebrew School wing!

## SISTERS IN THE HOOD

by Beth Leipmann & Joan Zelman, Sisterhood Co-Chairs

**H**ope everyone had a good and relaxing summer. Sisterhood is ready to start a New Year with several new, and some old favorite, events.

We had a wonderful turnout at our dinner on August 3rd with 21 Sisters attending. The good food, great company, and wonderful conversations, made for a wonderful evening. Our other Summer event was our annual "Shabbat Under the Stars", which was held on August 18th. This year's theme was the 'Solar Eclipse of the Sun' as it related to Judaism. Thanks to all who participated in the service, to Rabbi Orenstein for her guidance, and all those who joined us.

Sisterhood is a wonderful and warm social club. It's a great way to get acquainted with other members of our shul across the age spectrum. Membership forms will be in your mailbox soon, so please join us and become a part of a great CBI tradition!



## FACILITIES NEWS

Facility Co-Chairs: Renee & Warren Kuperinsky

Welcome back to another full year of Onegs, Kiddushes, and Sunday morning bagel breakfasts! We look forward to working with both our Hebrew School parents, and our steadfast crew of kitchen helpers. We can always use extra sets of hands, so just pop in to Bernice's Kitchen and we'll put you to work!

A special thanks to Judy Schoenfeld and Naomi Weinberg for all your efforts in August!

Were you wondering what to do with yourself on **two Sunday mornings, September 17 and October 1**? How about coming either before (8:00am) or after minyan (9:30am), grabbing a bagel with a schmear for strength, and helping to set up the sanctuary for the upcoming holiday, and taking it apart afterwards! All, and any, help is greatly appreciated, and it's a great way to say hi to all your CBI friends that you may not have seen over the summer. See you then!

Peter Silver and Marty Casper  
House and Ground Co-Chairs

# RITUAL

by Audrey Bida, Judy Schoenfeld & Jay Weinstein, Ritual Co-Chairs



We hope you all had a restful, relaxing, fun summer, and are getting ready to dive back into life with your CBI family. This promises to be an exciting year filled with a large number of Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, beautiful Holiday experiences, and memorable social interactions.



Shabbat Morning Services will resume on **September 9 at 10:00am**. We kick off this year's celebrations on Friday evening, **September 15 at 8:00pm**, as Noah Kupershteyn will lead us in Erev Shabbat Services, followed by Shabbat morning, **September 16, at 9:30am**, when Noah will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah. That same evening at **7:30pm** we will



celebrate Selichot.

We have a full slate of B'nai Mitzvah coming up this year, and all our students will lead services the Sunday morning, and the Friday evening, before being called to the Torah. The first group of these B'nai Mitzvah names are noted below:

October 14	9:30 am	Jackson Goldflam
October 21	9:30 am	Emmett Weisz
October 28	9:30 am	Alex Rothenberg
November 4	3:30 pm	Jonah Willovit
November 10	9:30 pm	Jessica Brenner
November 17	9:30 am	Erica Shein

We hope you will join these families, and the rest of our CBI family, on these special dates and be part of the celebration of their childrens' milestones.

**Sunday, September 17, 10:15am - SING FOR PEACE –**

**LEARN HIGH HOLIDAY HARMONY** Were you present last year, when a choir of several people from our Temple sang "Sim Shalom" to the tune of Dona Nobis Pacem? Learn the beautiful three-part harmony in advance of the High Holidays. Join us after High Holiday set-up in the Rabbi's study. **Saturday, October 7, 10:00 am.** We will celebrate both Shabbat and Sukkot with our *EVERY AGE AND EVERY STAGE* Service, led by Cantor/Rabbi Lenny Mandel and the Dalet Class. All adults are welcome to attend. Please note that this is a compulsory Service for *both* the Dalet and Hey classes. This is also a very special morning because each child in the Dalet class will be presented with their own Chumash. **The 8-11 Club** is a Service for all children in Aleph, Bet, and Gimmel Classes, and will be held in the Hebrew School Wing from 10:30am-11:30am. Guests are always welcome, and this service is specifically geared to this age level. We also encourage families with children in the pre-Hebrew School years, from age 2 through 7, to attend our **Young Family Services** from 10:30am-11:30am in the Library. We will be celebrating Shabbat and Sukkot with song, prayer, movement, stories, and art. Parents, Grandparents and younger siblings are always invited! Come create your own Sukkah, and all October birthdays will be celebrated.

After Services all are welcome to a Kiddush lunch of pizza, salad, ice-cream, and cookies in our Sukkah. This will be a Temple Wide Celebration! Please let Marie in the office know if your child is celebrating an October birthday, or if your child has any food allergies.

A full list of upcoming holiday services, for both adults and children, can be found nearby in this Menorah issue, in upcoming emails, the weekly Shmooz, and on your High Holiday tickets.

## HOLIDAY TICKETS

**2017/5778**

Adult members in good financial standing (paid up to date including 25% of this year's dues by **August 10**) will be receiving High Holiday tickets in the mail by early September. Children of members who are under the age of 25 receive free tickets.

**Additional tickets are needed per the following guidelines:** Tickets for children of members who have reached their 25th birthday must be purchased for **\$75** per ticket. Tickets for family members of all ages who are not CBI members (parents, grandparents, grandchildren, etc.) must be purchased for **\$75** per ticket. All other outside visitors are **\$250** per ticket.

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

Please contact the CBI office at **201-265-2272** or [holidaytickets@bisrael.com](mailto:holidaytickets@bisrael.com) for additional tickets and/or information. (If e-mailing or leaving a phone message to ask for additional tickets, please give the names of those who the tickets are for.)

## MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

**We warmly welcome the following new members to our CBI community. Please be sure to stop and introduce yourself to them:**

Dean Mansdorf and Solange Captain from Washington Township, along with their son Ephram (9 years old) and daughter Jordana (7 years old).

Seth and Elysa Resnikoff from Oradell, along with their son Zachary (9 years old).

Alan Peck (returning member) from River Edge.

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# HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES SCHEDULE 2017/5778

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## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, SELICHOT

**7:30pm** We will change our Torah coverings to their High Holiday white, and commemorate this special night with a short and meaningful service focused on the theme **STARTING OVER**.

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## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, EREV ROSH HASHANAH

**8:00pm** **Services** in the Sanctuary  
Celebrate and pray with community, to start the year off right. This year, experience a 15 minute guided meditation, led by Rabbi Debra Orenstein, in lieu of a sermon, to usher in the New Year with reflection and peace.

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## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, ROSH HASHANAH

**9:00am** **Services** in the Sanctuary.  
**9:00am** **Children's Program** for children 6 and under in the Hebrew School wing.  
**10:00am** **Junior Congregation** for children 6 - 11 in the Hebrew School wing.  
**2:00pm** **Tashlich** by the stream in our parking lot (at the conclusion of the Oneg).

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## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, ROSH HASHANAH

**9:00am** **Services** in the Sanctuary (will end at approximately 12:30pm).  
Back by popular demand, our streamlined second day service offers both less - and more. We will delve into fewer prayers and the service will be shorter. At the same time, we go deeper into the meaning of, and the Cantor will lead the community to participate more in, the Musaf prayers. Enjoy CBI's Second Day tradition and hear a story from our Rabbi, in lieu of a sermon. Connect with your community and your soul.  
**9:00am** **Children's Program** for children 6 and under in the Hebrew School wing.  
**10:00am** **Jr. Congregation** for children 6-11 in the Hebrew School wing.

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## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, EREV SHABBAT SHUVAH

**7:00pm** The energy of Rosh Hashanah - and the Cantor's voice - will lift us up, as we celebrate this first Friday evening of the New Year, with an early Shabbat Service starting at 7:00pm.

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## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, SHABBAT SHUVAH: ONE WONDERFUL HOUR

**10:30am** (will end at approximately 11:30 am)  
The Sabbath of Return is the very special repentance-themed Shabbat that falls between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Cantor Lenny Mandel will lead a meaningful and abbreviated service, as well as an optional discussion following, over a light Kiddush luncheon.

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## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, EREV YOM KIPPUR

**5:45pm** **Kol Nidre** in Sanctuary

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## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, YOM KIPPUR

**9:00am** **Services** in the Sanctuary (will end at approximately 2:00 PM)  
**9:00am** **Children's Program** for children 6 and under in the Hebrew School wing.  
**10:00am** **Jr. Congregation** for children 6 - 11 in the Hebrew School wing.  
**12:15pm** **Yizkor** will be at approximately 12:15 pm  
**3:30pm** **Family Service** (will end at 4:40 pm). For CBI members, guests, and children of all ages, the Rabbi invites everyone to a "*taste of the Holy Days*".  
**4:45 pm** **Mincha, Neilah, Hevadalah, Tekiah Gedolah** (will end at approximately 7:00 pm)  
The afternoon will include Torah readings by our teens and a new Jonah Musical in lieu of the Haftarah (with song parodies by Cantor Lenny Mandel). Experience the beautiful and mystical prayers of Yom Kippur with community and, if you wish, in front of the ark. Attend -or help blow-the final Shofar blast. "Next year in Jerusalem!"

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## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, EREV SUKKOT

There will be many opportunities to perform the Mitzvah of eating in the Sukkah.

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## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, SUKKOT

**8:00pm** **Services** in the Sanctuary with Oneg in the Sukkah

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## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, SUKKOT

**10:00am** **Services** in the Sanctuary with Kiddush in the Sukkah.

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## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, SHMINI ATZERET/YIZKOR SERVICES

**7:30am** **Yizkor service** followed by a light breakfast.

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## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, EREV SIMCHAT TORAH

**7:00pm** **Services** in the Sanctuary  
Celebrate the joyous Holiday of *Simchat Torah*! We will unfurl the entire Torah Scroll and sing and dance with our Torahs. Children will be blessed by their elders on the one day of the year that children are called to the Torah. This service is always fun, and required for all Hebrew School families.

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# The President's Pen

by Barry Bluestein, President

If you're like me you've been bemoaning how quickly summer flies by and the calendar shifts to Fall.

For many of our Temple members, the relaxed pace of summertime abruptly transitions into managed chaos as the school year begins and so many activities seem crammed into such a short period of time. And if our children's schedules weren't hectic enough, many of our working parents cope with heightened responsibility in their respective careers, plus the difficult balancing act between family and office. Maybe that's why the Jews positioned Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur during this time of year (well maybe not the biblical reason!). The Holidays allow us to exhale, reflect, and commiserate, with community. It's a welcome opportunity to detach ourselves momentarily from the frenzied pace of life and create our own personal scorecards for the prior year (best to use a pencil for this as erasures are acceptable prior to Yom Kippur).

As I approach my first Rosh Hashanah as Temple President



I will be reflecting on the wonderful opportunity granted me to contribute and serve our CBI community. I am fortunate to inherit the mantle at a time of renewed optimism for our future. Through the dedicated efforts of Meryl Kutzin, our generous benefactors, and the entire Capital Campaign Committee, we have succeeded in retiring our mortgage and adding reserves to our bank account. Bottom line, CBI finds itself in an improved financial position with a facility that we can proudly say we own! For all of our CBI members who contributed generously to this campaign, a sincere thank you as your donations demonstrate how important our shul is to you and your families. CBI is also dependent on our many volunteers who donate their time to join a committee, serve on the Board, or just show up to help when we're in need of an extra pair of hands. As we usher in this New Year, please think about becoming a CBI volunteer...I promise it will be a rewarding experience!

I want to wish all our CBI members, Clergy, educators, and extended families, a sincere Shanah Tovah Umetukah, (A Good and Sweet New Year), and I look forward to greeting everyone at services as we usher in 5778.

## GREETINGS FROM THE CBI MEN'S CLUB

by Dave Bloom & David Gordon, Men's Club Co-Chairs

We know... you're sitting on your beach chair somewhere, sand between your toes, cool breeze on your face, sipping a margarita made with tequila of dubious origin. All is well with the world except for that nagging feeling that you've forgotten something.

Let us remind you: Football season is just around the corner and it's time to reserve your spot in the CBI Fantasy League! Given last year's overwhelming response, this year we plan on fielding two separate divisions of 10+ teams each, so stop what you're doing and send an e-mail to [mensclub.chair@bisrael.com](mailto:mensclub.chair@bisrael.com) to reserve your place. Anyone can join... field a family team or a separate team from your kids to give them a proverbial patsh on the tuchus come game day. You don't have to know anything about football to join – just a desire to learn – and the cost is just \$36/team with half the proceeds awarded as prizes, and the other half going to fund CBI activities.

We're looking forward to seeing you at the Kickoff BBQ at the start of Hebrew School, where we'll be manning the grills. Just look for the crowd of guys standing around the hot charcoals, all with differing opinions on the exact right time to flip the hotdogs, and let us know how you like your buns toasted.

PS: It's time to join the Men's Club for the 2017-18 season! For more information, to join or volunteer, contact David & Dave at [mensclub.chair@bisrael.com](mailto:mensclub.chair@bisrael.com).



## SAC EXCHANGE

by Judy Newell,  
Renee Kuperinksy,  
Chair Emeritus

The Social Action Committee will be hosting its annual food drive to benefit the Center for Food Action in Englewood, New Jersey. Non-perishable foods, canned goods, toiletries, and gift cards will be collected, and the food items do not have to be Kosher. The drive will start **September 20th**. Please bring all donations to the synagogue lobby.





The following families have PAID IT FORWARD  
in June and July and contributed to the  
2017 Capital Campaign.

Steven & Susan Hertzberg Brody	Lonnie Robinson
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**THANK YOU FOR HELPING US  
REACH OUR GOAL!**

## WE DID IT! YES WE DID!

Thank you to our supportive and generous membership, clergy, family, and friends, that have contributed to our Burn the Mortgage/Capital Campaign fundraising efforts. Your donations have allowed us to raise a large sum of money in a short period of time, and pay off our mortgage, which in turn will help us balance our budget each year. In addition, the extra funds raised will remain in a special projects account and will be used for future upgrades and improvements to the shul, and enhance our ability to bring additional programming to the membership.

I must say thank you to the Capital Campaign team members - David Spatz, Jamie Kreiman, Les Kaufman, Harvey Meer, Meryl Rosenthal and Joe Rosenthal. No fundraising endeavor would be complete without the "team" who worked tirelessly to reach out to all of our members, and followed through on all the donations. The team believed in this campaign, and, in turn, got our membership to believe in it too.

We set our sights high with an ambitious goal of \$300,000, but our minimal objective was to raise enough to pay off the mortgage of \$143,000. I am very pleased to report that we achieved success and raised **\$206,067!** That enabled us to pay off the mortgage and have over \$60,000 in reserve to **PAY IT FORWARD** for special projects as needed.

Once again, I say THANK YOU on behalf of myself, the "team", our membership, and clergy, for showing our CBI shul spirit. We can do it when we have to, and we have done it again!

*Meryl Kutzin,  
Trustee*

*Chair of the Capital Campaign Team*

## A BIG THANK YOU

to the following for sponsoring a Friday Night Oneg, Shabbat Kiddush or a Sunday morning breakfast

Marcel and Ellen Plaut	SUN	8/6/2017	In honor of their granddaughter, Nora's, 1st birthday & Marcel's birthday
The Schoenfeld Family	FRI	8/11/2017	To support CBI
David and Linda Spatz	SUN	8/20/2017	In honor of their anniversary
David and Linda Spatz	FRI	8/25/2017	In honor of their anniversary
The Schoenfeld Family	FRI	8/27/2017	In celebration of their anniversary
The Collier Family	FRI	9/8/2017	In celebration of Andrea's birthday
The Orenstein/Weisz Family	FRI	9/8/2017	Honoring Rabbi Cantor Mandel with thanks for filling in during the Rabbi's Sabbatical
The Kupershteyn Family	SUN	9/10/2017	In honor of Noah's Bar Mitzvah
The Kupershteyn Family	FRI	9/15/2017	In honor of Noah's Bar Mitzvah
The Kupershteyn Family	SAT	9/16/2017	In honor of Noah's Bar Mitzvah
Peter and Michele Silver	SUN	9/24/2017	In celebration of Peter's birthday
The Goldflam Family	SUN	10/28/2017	In honor of Jackson's Bar Mitzvah
The Goldflam Family	FRI	10/13/2017	In honor of Jackson's Bar Mitzvah
The Goldflam Family	SAT	10/14/2017	In honor of Jackson's Bar Mitzvah
The Orenstein/Weisz Family	SUN	10/15/2017	In honor of Emmett's Bar Mitzvah
The Orenstein/Weisz Family	FRI	10/20/2017	In honor of Emmett's Bar Mitzvah
The Orenstein/Weisz Family	SAT	10/21/2017	In honor of Emmett's Bar Mitzvah
The Rothenberg Family	SUN	10/22/2017	In honor of Alex's Bar Mitzvah
The Rothenberg Family	FRI	10/27/2017	In honor of Alex's Bar Mitzvah
The Rothenberg Family	SAT	10/28/2017	In honor of Alex's Bar Mitzvah
The Willovet Family	SUN	10/29/2017	In honor of Jonah's Bar Mitzvah



## FOCUS ON ISRAEL

# WHERE WILL YOU BE JUNE 27-JULY 9, 2018?

*If you don't have an answer then we have one for you.*

How about having an amazing family experience filled with the sounds, smells, and excitement of modern Israel, combined with an incomparable connection to your ancient Jewish roots, all while experiencing the Bible come to life!

Rabbi Debra Orenstein and one of Israel's top tour guide educators will be leading another CBI tour. The itinerary is amazing, filled with stays at top hotels and enjoyment of delicious culinary treats. The wifi enabled bus will whisk you off to historic sites, beautiful beaches, and enticing markets. If you have never been to Israel, or if you

have not been there for years, this is the perfect opportunity to make it a family affair. This multi-generational tour has components to appeal to adults and children of all ages. It's twelve days that will create memories to last a lifetime!

There are many options and accommodations available so don't think you can't do it. Questions? Ask Rabbi Orenstein, Robin Pierce or [janine@israel tours.com](mailto:janine@israel tours.com), who is our point person at ITC. Get on our no-obligation trip update email list by contacting **robin.pierce@bisrael.com**.

*Robin Pierce*

## Passover Project Update

An update and thank you from Rabbi Debra Orenstein

This time of year, we think about spiritual freedom more than physical freedom, but we know that *both* are needed, always.

Freeing Slaves is a year-round mitzvah, and not limited to Passover. The Passover Project therefore functions all year round.

Three years ago, I created "The Passover Project" in partnership with the organization I have endorsed, Free the Slaves. The Passover Project is a loose federation of Jewish schools and synagogues, which all have the goals of a) teaching about slavery from a Jewish perspective b) raising money to help rescue enslaved people and prevent trafficking from taking hold and c) advocating for appropriate government policies.

The very first synagogue to sign on as a Passover Project Partner was CBI. I am so grateful and proud that this synagogue shares my values and supports my passions.

You can see the other Passover Partner organizations, download all the educational and promotional

materials of the Passover Project, and/or make a donation to free slaves at [www.FreeTheSlaves.net/Judaism](http://www.FreeTheSlaves.net/Judaism).

In the first year, Passover Project Partners raised \$11,000. The second year, we raised \$24,000. This past year, we raised \$64,000 nation-wide.

**Here is a way you can help:** If you have a relationship with a rabbi, Jewish educator, or lay leader in another community, and you think they might want to participate in this mitzvah, please send an email to [rabbi@bisrael.com](mailto:rabbi@bisrael.com) and copy [maurice.middleberg@freetheslaves.net](mailto:maurice.middleberg@freetheslaves.net). We will follow up. There is no minimum amount for any person or Passover Project organizational partner to donate in time or money. We only ask that everyone learn some, give some, and speak up some, on behalf of Jewish values and enslaved people.

Please, in turn, share your values and passions with me. I look forward to hearing about your commitments and mitzvah projects.

## GRATEFUL FOR BEING SPARED?

On Yom Kippur, Rabbi Orenstein will share the "Gomel" blessing, a prayer for coming through a dangerous journey or experience in safety. If you have had an experience in which you escaped harm, or were spared even more serious harm than might have occurred, please contact the Rabbi at the CBI office 201-265-2272 or at [rabbi@bisrael.com](mailto:rabbi@bisrael.com). Everything you share is confidential, and people can be included in the blessing by name or completely anonymously.

## ASK THE RABBI

Rabbi Orenstein will be answering questions from the Bimah periodically during the High Holidays. You are welcome to submit your questions in advance of the Holidays, or bring your written questions with you to services. The submitted questions can be either signed or anonymous, and your name will never be shared from the Bimah. This is an opportunity to raise issues about High Holiday themes and/or to ask "everything you always wanted to know about Judaism, but were afraid/unable/reluctant to ask." Questions can be snail mailed to the Rabbi c/o CBI, or emailed to [rabbi@bisrael.com](mailto:rabbi@bisrael.com).

# ☆ SELICHOT ☆

**Saturday, September 16, 7:30 pm** We'll start with a brief Havdalah service, followed by prayers and dressing the Torahs in their white High Holiday finery. This service will be engaging and meaningful for both adults and families with children. The theme for the evening will be

*Starting Over.* Rabbi Debra Orenstein will present and lead a discussion on two short films, one an Academy-Award nominee for best short animated film, and the other an ELI talk (aka Jewish TED talk). Appropriate for families with children ages 10 and up.

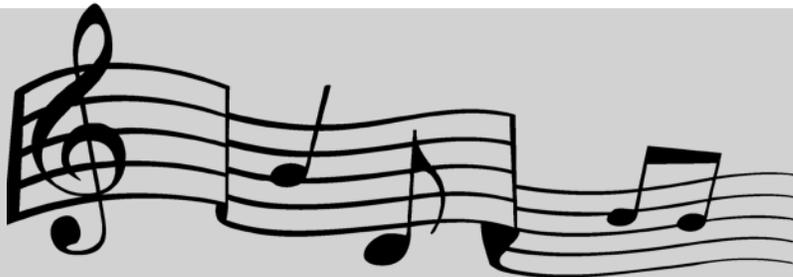
## Yom Kippur Family Service 3:30pm – 4:40pm

For CBI members as well as any and all guests, this "Taste of the Holy Days" involves parents and grandparents, together with their children and grandchildren. Rabbi Debra Orenstein leads this inter-generational experience of prayer, song, and story. All are welcome, so invite your friends and neighbors to be our guests. RSVP's are requested, both for set-up and for security reasons. Contact 201-265-2272.

All those attending the Family Service are invited to remain for our Jonah play, which will begin at 4:45 pm. Babysitting will be provided during our Neilah prayers, and all children will rejoin us for the final prayers and Shofar blast, just before 7pm.

## SING FOR PEACE

**Learn High Holiday Harmony** Were you present last year, when a choir of several members of our Temple sang Sim Shalom to the tune of Dona Nobis Pachem? Learn this beautiful harmony in advance of the High Holidays. Join us on **Sunday morning, September 17**, after High Holiday set-up, at **10:15 am** in the Rabbi's office. Meanwhile, log onto [www.youtube.com/watch?v=9fhJ6XrZ4jg](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9fhJ6XrZ4jg) to hear a demonstration of all three harmonic parts.



### Jewish Hams Wanted for *Jonah: The Musical*

The traditional Haftarah reading for Yom Kippur afternoon is the Book of Jonah. This year, to tell the story of Jonah, Cantor Lenny Mandel has written a new play, Purim Spiel style, with narration and song parodies, to learn the serious – and amusing – lessons of how even prophets can go awry. Adults and children are invited to take part in the play! Please contact [cantor@bisrael.com](mailto:cantor@bisrael.com) by **September 10** if you **would like to participate** and can attend on Yom Kippur afternoon.

### Sing and Dance for Torah!

Do you love folk dancing? Do you enjoy playing an acoustical instrument, and do you know or can you learn Jewish and Israeli music? If so, we would love to use your skills and share your passion this Simchat Torah, **Thursday October 12**. Please contact Rabbi Debra Orenstein at the synagogue office, 201-265-2272, or [rabbi@bisrael.com](mailto:rabbi@bisrael.com) if you have an interest in learning more.



### Harmonies for Hallel **Sunday, October 15**

**7:00-8:15pm**

Raphael Orenstein, Rabbi Debra's brother, will be teaching harmonies for Hallel (prayers of praise), since his nephew Emmett Weisz's Bar Mitzvah falls on the New Moon and includes the recitation of these beautiful and lively melodies. If you love to sing, you can join in a live, online forum on **Sunday, October 15** from 7:00pm – 8:40pm, to learn the melodies. Just email [EmmettAWeisz@icloud.com](mailto:EmmettAWeisz@icloud.com), and the Bar Mitzvah boy will set you up for online singing and learning.

# Jewish Historical Society of New Jersey

Our newsletters are currently being written by a revolving group of Board members and guest writers drawn from our membership list. We encourage readers who wish to submit prospective future newsletters to do so. Topics can range from neighborhoods, businesses, camps, or community centers and could include family memories or personal experiences you have had in the north Jersey area. Three former Patersonians, who count themselves among the key organizers of Paterson Day FL, Rona Rosenberg Simmons, Beverly Grenker Goldman, and Susan Chlebnikow Rappaport collaborated in the writing of this marvelous July 2017 newsletter.

We were collectively Mulberry 4-1831, Mulberry 4-5560, Sherwood 2-8921 aka as Rona Rosenberg, Susan Chlebnikow, and Beverly Grenker. Over six decades ago, these telephone numbers were our Facebook with party lines, busy signals and operators. This was our Paterson, the Paterson we all left but never left behind.

Who would have thought, three great childhood friends would be reunited as neighbors and friends today in a golf community in Boynton Beach, FL? How could this have happened when I was from Carroll Street, Bev was from the 10th Avenue area, and Susan from the East Side? What bonded us in this very special city of Paterson? The “cement” for us was our progression from Camp Veritans to Brownies to Girl Scouts to Teen Programs at the YM/YWHA and to the Eastside Class of '64.

We came from middle class families where our fathers were MD's -- meat dealers (Paterson Meat Market), mattress dealers (Sleep Mart East Paterson) and menswear dealers (Michael's Clothing on Lower Main) -- businessmen married to their jobs. Our mothers were strong Paterson women, role models who prepared our traditional holiday dinners. All three of our mothers lived long lives into their upper 90's.

So how did the three of us wind up less than a mile apart, playing golf together on Thursdays? The closest we came to golf in Paterson was Hillman's Driving Range, short course, mini golf and ice skating rink all in one. We were too busy finding boyfriends to care about golf. We were too busy hanging around Eastside Park watching the boys cruise around endlessly in their cars on a Sunday afternoon. We were too busy shopping at Junior Cottage (Fairlawn Avenue), Geri's (Broadway), or Jacob's 29, where Bev and I bought our chubby sizes, Quackenbush, Meyer Brothers and The Mart.



*The first photo (top) is our 1957 Girl Scout troop, the second is our 1955 Brownie troop and the last one is how we appear today so many years later...*

We were going downtown, dashing into Hamburger Express (choo choo train and all) and Nedick's before our buses arrived.

The three of us have the fondest memories at the 'Y' swimming pool. When collaborating on this article, we were hysterical reminiscing about what we saw through a keyhole in the girls' locker room. Girls' bathing suits were basically over-size woolly undershirts that drooped so low, we needed to tie them in the back with a string to prevent them from falling down. The boys swam naked (why?) and the old ladies sat nude on benches drying themselves meticulously here, there, and everywhere.

Thursday night was record and dance night at the 'Y' plus Tween Trails and Clubs--our home away from home. When we weren't at the 'Y', we were sitting on someone's “stoop” playing or watching stickball, stoopball, Double Dutch and Chinese jump rope. We all knew the milkman, the seltzer man and the names of every car we counted. We knew where to find our favorite ball at Bowl-O-Mat and Market Lanes. It was a simple life. We were latchkey kids, enjoying TV dinners, hot dogs and Hanna Krause. The smell of the Wonder Bread factory continues to be a delightful and delicious memory. Our Girl Scout tour of the factory ended with a reward of a

freshly baked mini loaf.

We experienced many bar-mitzvahs, and not so many bat-mitzvahs. After all, we were girls... Nevertheless, we have upheld our Jewish traditions and sixty years later are still celebrating these Jewish holidays together.

Having a happy childhood in Paterson brought the three of us together. We are keeping these life changing memories and traditions alive by seeking out our old Paterson friends at luncheons, dinners, parties and golf. Thank you, Facebook. What a wonderful invention!

In the 1950's a car pulling a massive A-frame sign would ride up and down the streets of Paterson advertising “Land for Sale in Florida. \$1 an Acre.” We heard our parents say “It's a scam. It's under water.” If we only knew then what we know now. Three good friends are probably playing golf on that swamp land in Florida right now!

Submitted by:  
Rona Rosenberg Simmons  
Beverly Grenker Goldman  
Susan Chlebnikow Rappaport

# MENORAH MAKEOVER

As a new year approaches, you will be seeing some changes to the Menorah newsletter. The Menorah, along with the CBI website, weekly Shmooz, Hebrew School emails, and weekly announcements from the Bimah, are our primary means of communication with you, the membership. We hope the changes we are undertaking with the Menorah will represent an improvement in that objective. Here is a brief synopsis of what to expect starting in October:

- The Menorah will be reduced to 8 pages for most months, and will now be distributed both by mail and by Email. These issues will include information specific to those months: messages from the Rabbi, Cantor, and President, Kiddush and Oneg sponsorships, Yahrzeits, Bar/Bat Mitzvah articles and ads, etc.
- On a quarterly basis (September, December, March, and June) we will revert to the more usual 16-20 printed pages, including content of more general interest for you, the Membership. This will also be distributed by both mail and Email.
- Towards the end of each month, you will receive a one page email which will encompass all the dates and times of upcoming events across the spectrum of Ritual, Education, Ways and Means, Sisterhood and Men's Club. There will also be copies printed and available in the lobby each month.

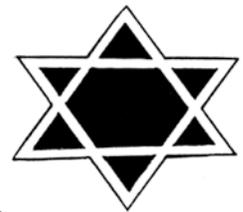
I hope to hear from many of you in the upcoming months with feedback on what you like, or don't like, about these changes. Please contact me at [ellen.michelson@bisrael.com](mailto:ellen.michelson@bisrael.com) with your thoughts and suggestions, or tap me on the shoulder when you see me.

*Ellen Michelson  
Menorah Editor*

It is our pleasure to invite you to an Oneg Shabbat following services on Friday evening, the fifteenth of September in honor of our son,

# NOAH

Noah will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, the sixteenth of September at nine-thirty in the morning



IRENE & GENNADY KUPERSHTEYN



## Registration is Open for Fall Semester at BCHSJS

Registration is open for the fall semester at the Bergen County High School of Jewish Studies, a regional Hebrew high school for eighth to twelfth graders in public school. Classes are held at The Moriah School in Englewood on Sundays. Classes include ethics, current events, art and drama, Bible, Jewish philosophy, Hebrew, and many more options. You will also have the opportunity to make Jewish friends from towns throughout Bergen County, go on field trips, work on community service projects, attend Shabbatonim, or just hang out at the bagel break between classes. BCHSJS is the place to be on Sunday mornings where you can discover how awesome it is to be Jewish. Register now for a new experience that will rock your world!

Go to [www.bchsjs.org](http://www.bchsjs.org) to download an application. Questions? Call us at (201) 488-0834. Please be sure to register before **September 5** to avoid late fees!

# SEPTEMBER 2017

Elul-Tishrei 5778

Candle Lighting Times: **1:** 7:09 **8:** 6:57 **15:** 6:46 **20:** 6:37  
**22:** 6:34 **29:** 6:22

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					8pm Erev Shabbat Service <b>1</b>	Shabbat at Home <b>2</b>
9am Minyan & Bagels <b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	7:30pm Board meeting <b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	8pm Erev Shabbat Service <b>8</b> 9pm Oneg co-sponsored by the Collier and Orenstein/Weisz families	10am Shabbat Morning Service <b>9</b>
9am Minyan & Bagels <b>10</b> 9am 1st day of Hebrew School 9:30am Bagel Breakfast sponsored by the Kupershteyn family 11:30am Welcome Back BBQ	<b>11</b>	4pm Hebrew School <b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	8pm Erev Shabbat Service <b>15</b> 9pm Oneg sponsored by the Kupershteyn family	9:30am Noah Kupershteyn Bar Mitzvah 7:30pm Selichot service 'Starting Over' <b>16</b>
8am High Holiday setup <b>17</b> 9am Minyan & Bagels 10am HS Parent's meeting 10:15am Sing for Peace	<b>18</b>	4pm Hebrew School <b>19</b>	8pm Erev Rosh Hashonah Service <b>20</b> Food Drive Begins	9am Rosh Hashonah Service <b>21</b> 10am Jr. Congregation Service 2pm Tashlich	9am Rosh Hashonah Service <b>22</b> 10am Jr. Congregation Service 8pm Erev Shabbat Service	10am Shabbat Morning Service <b>23</b> Shabbat Shuva
9am Minyan & Bagels <b>24</b> 9:30am Bagel Breakfast sponsored by Peter and Michelle Silver	<b>25</b>	4pm Hebrew School <b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	5:45 pm Erev Yom Kippur - Kol Nidre <b>29</b>	9am Yom Kippur Service <b>30</b> 10am Jr. Congregation Service 12:15pm Yizkor 3:30pm Family Service 4:45pm Mincha/Neilah Service

# OCTOBER 2017

Tishrei-Cheshvan 5778

Candle Lighting Times: **4:** 6:13 **6:** 6:10 **11:** 6:02 **13:** 5:59  
**20:** 5:49 **27:** 5:39

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8am Undo High Holiday Setup <b>1</b> 9am Hebrew School 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am Put up Sukkah	<b>2</b>	4pm Hebrew School <b>3</b> 7:30pm Board meeting	Erev Sukkot <b>4</b>	Sukkot I <b>5</b>	Sukkot II <b>6</b>	10am Dalet Class Shabbat morning service <b>7</b> 10:30am 8-11 Service 10:30am Young Family Service Sukkot III
9am Hebrew School <b>8</b> 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am Bagel Breakfast sponsored by the Goldflam Family Sukkot IV	Sukkot V <b>9</b>	No Hebrew School <b>10</b> Sukkot VI	7:30pm Board meeting <b>11</b> Sukkot VII	7:30am Yizkor Service <b>12</b> 7pm Simchat Torah	8pm Erev Shabbat Service <b>13</b> 9pm Oneg sponsored by the Goldflam Family	9:30am Jackson Goldflam Bar Mitzvah <b>14</b>
9am Hebrew School <b>15</b> 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am Bagel Breakfast sponsored by the Weisz/Orenstein Family 10am HS Parents Meeting 7pm Harmonies for Hillel	<b>16</b>	4pm Hebrew School <b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	8pm Erev Shabbat Service <b>20</b> 9pm Oneg sponsored by the Weisz/Orenstein Family	9:30am Emmett Weisz Bar Mitzvah <b>21</b>
9am Hebrew School <b>22</b> 9a Dalet Kehillah 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am Bagel Breakfast sponsored by the Rothenberg Family	<b>23</b>	4pm Hebrew School <b>24</b>	7:30pm Erev Rosh Hashonah Service <b>25</b>	9am Rosh Hashonah Service <b>26</b> 10am Jr. Congregation Service 2pm Tashlich	8pm Erev Shabbat Service <b>27</b> 9pm Oneg sponsored by the Rothenberg Family	9:30am Alex Rothenberg Bar Mitzvah <b>28</b>
9am Hebrew School <b>29</b> 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am Bagel Breakfast sponsored by the Willowit Family	<b>30</b>	4pm Hebrew School <b>31</b>				

# FUNDS

## ETERNAL LIGHT FUND

TO: Susan Jacobson  
 Condolences on the passing of your  
 beloved mother, Muriel  
 FROM: Linda Rosengart

TO: Sandra Kris  
 Condolences on the passing of your  
 beloved brother  
 FROM: Linda Rosengart

## CANTOR SIDNEY DERNER BUILDING FUND

TO: Dr Judy Itzkowitz  
 We all send our deepest condolences on the  
 passing of Aunt Gladys.  
 FROM: Susan Apple, Jules & Adrienne  
 Derner, Richard & Debbi Derner

## GENERAL FUND

TO: Rabbi Debra Orenstein & family  
 Welcome home. Glad you and your family  
 are back safe & sound  
 FROM: Gertrude Hecht

## GOOD & WELFARE FUND

TO: Meryl Kutzin  
 Not even knee surgery can keep you off  
 your feet for more than 24 hours. Glad you  
 are up and doing better.  
 FROM: Ellen & David Michelson

TO: Gary Schwinder  
 Wishing you a speedy recovery  
 FROM: Ellen & David Michelson, Susan &  
 Marty Casper

## GET WELL FUND

TO: Gary Schwinder  
 Wishing you a speedy recovery  
 FROM: Don & Arlene Fultonberg, Allen &  
 Sharon Neuhaus, Goni & David Vardi, Joan  
 & Steven Zelman

TO: Meryl Kutzin  
 Wishing you a speedy recovery  
 FROM: Ellen & Bruce Sonkin

TO: Evan Kushner  
 Wishing you a speedy recovery  
 FROM: The Hecht Family

TO: Jerry Ratner  
 Wishing you a quick & full recovery  
 FROM: Don & Fern Segal

## CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

TO: Cantor Lenny Mandel  
 Thank you Rabbi/Cantor Mandel for your  
 support and kindness. Our family is  
 grateful that you captured the essence of  
 our beloved Stephen.  
 FROM: Charlotte Ruderman

## YAHRZEIT DONATIONS

Marc & Shelly Saperstein in loving memory  
 of Sadie Blumenthal  
 Lorraine Schlarman in loving memory of  
 Moe Fleischer  
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 Grosflan

# LETTERS

*Dear Executive Board of CBI,*  
 Thank you for the very generous KS  
 Scholarship donation. I will always have  
 very fond memories of CBI from my  
 Hebrew School days.  
 Hope to see everyone very soon!

*Thanks,  
 Jeremy Collier*

## Mazel Tov

Idelle and Gary Schwinder  
 on the engagement of their  
 daughter Meredith to David  
 Dr. Ken Klein on  
 his retirement



## Get Well Soon!

Gary Schwinder  
 Renee Kuperinsky  
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 Cherry Clarke  
 Jerry Ratner



*Children's puzzles, toys, stickers,  
 costumes coming to the  
 CBI gift shop!*

## CBI SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP NEWS

JUST A FEW PATTERNS FROM OUR LARGE YARMULKA EMBOSSED SELECTION  
 PLANNING A BAR OR BAT MITZVAH, WEDDING, BABY NAMING?  
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 Visit the gift shop or contact [Meryl.kutzin@bisrael.com](mailto:Meryl.kutzin@bisrael.com) to place your order



# SEPTEMBER YAHRZEITS

Estelle Cohen	10 Elul	09/01/17
Sheldon Levens	12 Elul	09/03/17
Nettie Heimovitch	14 Elul	09/05/17
Henry Bein	15 Elul	09/06/17
Ruth Holzer	15 Elul	09/06/17
Lillian Kaplan	15 Elul	09/06/17
Charlotte Levy Pollack	15 Elul	09/06/17
Bess Rothman	15 Elul	09/06/17
William Stein	15 Elul	09/06/17
Sheila Wasserman	16 Elul	09/07/17
Jack Faerber	17 Elul	09/07/17
Roy Kaufman	18 Elul	09/09/17
George M Swerlick	18 Elul	09/09/17
Meyer David Schneider	19 Elul	09/10/17
Harry Wechsler	19 Elul	09/10/17
May Feinman	20 Elul	09/11/17
Francine Kulek	20 Elul	09/11/17
Jennie Reitknecht	21 Elul	09/12/17
David Tauber	21 Elul	09/12/17
Elaine Feigelman	23 Elul	09/14/17
Edward E Silverberg	23 Elul	09/14/17
Oscar Faltitschek	24 Elul	09/15/17
Sophie Lippis	26 Elul	09/17/17
Asher Amity	27 Elul	09/18/17
Rose Sklar	27 Elul	09/18/17
Eileen Davis	28 Elul	09/19/17
Seymour Roth	28 Elul	09/19/17
Victor Meer	1 Tishre	09/21/17
Mary Stein	2 Tishre	09/22/17
Devorah Grosflan	3 Tishre	09/23/17
Marcus William Weiden	3 Tishre	09/23/17
Sue Cohen	4 Tishre	09/24/17
Meta Plaut	4 Tishre	09/24/17
Robert O Bird	5 Tishre	09/25/17
Abraham Sadowsky	6 Tishre	09/26/17
Blanche Fassler Taub	7 Tishre	09/27/17
Rae Weisberg	7 Tishre	09/27/17
Reva Jaffe	10 Tishre	09/30/17
Sally Kalish	10 Tishre	09/30/17

# TEMPLE SERVICES

## YAHRZEIT/MEMORIAL PLAQUES

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

**\$240**

Email Lynn Reiff at [memorial.coordinator@bisrael.com](mailto:memorial.coordinator@bisrael.com)

## TREE OF LIFE LEAVES

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**\$180**

Call Bob Greenblatt at 201-265-5777

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**\$10.00 minimum**

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- **RABBI DISCRETIONARY FUND** Contributions made will benefit organizations, members, causes, and/or purchases at the discretion of the Rabbi
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## PRAYER BOOK FUND

Book plate dedications for all occasions.

Contact Barry Bluestein at 201-782-0969

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Contact Meryl Kutzin at [meryl.kutzin@bisrael.com](mailto:meryl.kutzin@bisrael.com)

## SUPERMARKET GIFT CARDS

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

May be purchased in \$50 increments. Contact Idelle Schwinder at 201-265-7281

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Let your neighbors know about our shul.

Contact Joyce Schreiber at [membership.chair@bisrael.com](mailto:membership.chair@bisrael.com)

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