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SUMMER 2009 ISSUE

How lovely are your tents, O Jacob, your dwelling places, O Israel!"

5769 HOLIDAYS

- Jul 30 Tish'a B'Av
- Sep 18 Erev Rosh Hashana

*-holidays begin on the evening before the date shown.

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RABBI'S MESSAGE

(Reprinted from CBJ's 100th Anniversary Tribute Book)

When I arrived in Plymouth for my interview with the leaders of CBJ, in the spring of 1973, Jack Minsky, of blessed memory, then president of the Congregation, took me under his wing. Knowing that my experience was mostly with big-city synagogues, Jack said that CBJ didn't have many of the advantages that I had been used to; and he said: "We have something more important. We have good people here. I think you'll like it here." From that day to this, Jack was right. It has been an honor for me to be, with you, a vital part of Congregation Beth Jacob. Thank you for supporting Jack's dream, and mine, and Sheila Finer's, and the dream of our Founders and of our members and friends representing CBJ's first hundred years: To be a voice for living Judaism in our Towns; to be a community of Jewish learning; to stand for and teach Jewish values; to instill knowledge, pride, and confidence in our children; and to celebrate the promise of our new century.

Rabbi Lawrence



Building on a Century of Tradition

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The 100th Anniversary celebratory weekend was a huge success and I want to share the speech I gave during the Saturday morning Shabbat service. I think it says it all!

Whoever said, "you can't go home again" didn't know about Congregation Beth Jacob!

I watched people approach the synagogue this morning and look around in awe at how much things have remained the same here. They saw the familiar and welcoming sanctuary where they attended weekly Shabbat services, chanted their Haftorah as they became a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, stood under the Chuppah to be married and brought their newborn babies to be named. They lit Chanukah candles here, shared Simchas here, sang songs here and even napped at Shabbat services here ~ whether they were 8 or 80.

The founding families had a vision and built the synagogue to their specifications. The orthodox synagogue with its bimah in the center, the balcony for the women and children above and the mikvah in our basement have evolved into what you see today as we changed affiliation from the Orthodox to the Reform movement and changed with the times.

The revitalization in the 1960s was the vision of the leaders at that time. The balcony was closed by the fire department due to new fire codes after the Coconut Grove fire in Boston, but, the stained glass windows, especially the one I face today remain the same. The bimah was moved to its current location and the mikvah covered over. We have continued to cherish the building, but gave way to more creature comforts. How many of you sat for years on the hard benches and complained? The Minsky family provided us with soft cushions for which we continue to thank them today. The paint colors and carpeting have changed to keep things fresh and new. But, the torah covers still represent the families that came before us and will continue to for generations to come. Our most recent change was updating the social hall downstairs which you will see after the service. It's bright and fresh, but will still evoke memories of Hebrew school classes, Sisterhood meetings, Board meetings and even Bar and Bar Mitzvah receptions.

We don't have fancy seats or air conditioning, but our current leaders understand the need to keep many things as is because we're in Plymouth and a showy building with all new accoutrements just wouldn't be Plymouth. Please don't make your next visit so far in the future and bring your children and friends and show them YOUR Congregation Beth Jacob with pride!

And, as much as the world has changed around us, all of you can always come back here to visit and know that "you CAN come home again!"

Welcome home! Sheila Finer

100th Anniversary t-shirts are still available!!

Adult sizes: S, M, L, XL, XXL = \$14.95 each Children sizes: S, M, L, XL, XXL = \$11.95 each

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MAZEL TOV

To Barbara and Sam Gorfinkle on the birth of their grandson Zachary Eli

To Francine and Jeff Shelly on the birth of their granddaughter Tahlia

To Ronnie and Dan Hirschhorn on the birth of their granddaughter Sadie

To Joe and Paula Keller on the engagement of their daughter Dara to Scott Campanella

To Sheila and Carl Finer on the marriage of their son David to Bryna Siegel

To Joanne and Elliott Levy on the marriage of their son Arik to Holly Nugent

To Margery and Arnold Kanter and family on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Marisa

To Kim and Bill Sims and family on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Hugh

To Robin Hunter on the graduation of her son Ben

To Sandy and Gary Brooks on the graduation of their daughter Gabrielle

THANK YOU

We thank members Bob and Melody Dewey for donating and arranging the beautiful flower table centerpieces for our 100th anniversary celebrations.

Please reciprocate by visiting their Sachem Hawk Farm at 178 Fuller Street in Middleboro and enjoy the flowers, organically grown vegetables, free-range eggs, homemade pies and more.

"DARIA DAYS" CELEBRATED AT SACHEM HAWK FARM

Melody and Bob Dewey, members of CBJ since their marriage seven years ago, have formally dedicated a portion of their garden and a new walkway in memory of their friend -- and Melody's colleague at Carver High School -- Daria Cingolani Amaral. The dedication opens their garden, located at their home, in Middleborough, as a place of refuge and healing to cancer patients from Jordan Hospital. In attendance were representatives of Jordan Hospital and Cranberry Hospice, members of Daria's family, and many friends. Rabbi Silverman took part in the ceremony by placing a mezuzah upon the gatepost in front of the walkway and explaining its significance to the gathering. CBJ President Sheila Finer was specially mentioned in the program for helping to make the dedication a reality. All honor to Melody and Bob for their inspiring labor of love!

The memory of their friend Daria will surely abide as a blessing.

Brotherhood

Brotherhood needs a president – please contact Arnold Gladstein if you are interested.

We are enthusiastic, spirited and excited. We plan to become an important part of Congregation Beth Jacob. It is the goal of the Brotherhood to take an active part of our community. We plan to raise money to provide scholarship support for our religious school students in need of financial help.

We will be having 3 or 4 more breakfast or dinner meetings in the next 8 or 9 months. We plan to continue to go bowling on the first Tuesday of the month. We hope to schedule one or two fundraising events to help achieve our goal.

Please join us and help support our needy students. We have 3 levels of membership:

Supporting Member - \$18

Torah Member - \$36

Mitzvah Member - \$54

Make your check payable to:
CBJ Brotherhood
PO Box 3284
Plymouth, MA 02361

Sisterhood

WE NEED YOU!!!

Our Sisterhood provides financial support and labor for many of CBJ's activities and causes and needs your help. Even if you're unable to attend meetings, your membership gives us the funding needed to subsidize these events. If your children are grown, you can remember the enjoyable holiday parties, which still continue to this day for our younger generation. What would Chanukah be without dreidels and candy? What would Simchat Torah be without our pizza party after decorating the Sukkah? What would a Purim carnival be without hamantashen? We also sponsor a Purim Carnival game. These are just a few of the many events Sisterhood supports. We also stock the kitchen in both buildings with all of the supplies needed. This year Sisterhood is even underwriting some of our 100th Anniversary celebrations. If it happens at CBJ, Sisterhood is there!

Please take a moment and fill out the membership form and allow Sisterhood to continue its mission. Dues are only \$25 annually, and help support the CBJ community.

We need volunteers to provide an Oneg Shabbat. Contact Barbara Aharoni: ahaba@juno.com or phone 508-747-0805 for open dates. It makes Shabbat more joyful to be able to socialize afterward, and helps us to give a warm welcome to visitors.

Our KIVA loans have been almost completely repaid at this time, so we will soon be choosing another group of women to whom we will make micro-loans.

Rabbi's Calling Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday between 10:00 AM to 12 noon

Direct phone: 508-322-0514

NEW EMERGENCY LINE: 401-480-5800

PARTY – Plymouth ARea Temple Youth

Co-Advisor Robin Hunter – high school, 9 - 12 Co-Advisor Jessie Bridgewater – youth grades, 5 - 8 Contact us at party@cbjplymouth.org Get information at www.cbjplymouth.org/PARTY.html

Members of National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) Northeast - www.nfty.org/ne

WATCH FOR 2 DATES

- Shabbat on the Beach led by PARTY July 24
- Soccer Bash II will take place prior to Beit Sefer registration. Grades 5-12 are welcome.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

As Pam Koplan and I step down as co-chairs of the Education Committee, we want to thank our teachers, our students, their parents, and the Education Committee. The Education Committee and our teachers have worked very hard for the last two years to give our children an informative and enjoyable Jewish education. We hope our efforts were successful.

We wish the new Education Committee chairperson, as well as the Education Committee and the new Coordinator of Beit Sefer a fruitful and rewarding year.

Ronnie Hirschhorn

FUNDRAISING – for more information contact Carl Finer

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I am very easy to do business with. So why not jump on the band wagon and help your CBJ at the same time. Your purchase of these cards has no impact on your budget. Thank you for your continued support of our beloved CBJ!

Carl Finer, Fundraising

Donations

100TH ANNIVERSARY DONATIONS

Judge & Mrs. Baler **CBJ Sisterhood**

Ira S. Carlin in memory and honor of my parents, Joseph and Esther Carlin

Roberta Cowan

Rose Geller

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Mr. & Mrs. William Young in honor of the

Gladsteins

Stan Zoll

GENERAL FUND

In memory of Dr. Harry Keller

Carl & Sheila Finer

Virginia Davis

Ellen & Bob Kaplan

Rose Geller

Mel & Lois Klasky

Mary E. Henry

Harriette Minsky

Ellie May Shufro & William E Murdock

In memory of Henry Feinberg

Eleanor Abramson

In memory of Mitchell Toabe on his yahrzeit from his

children & grandchildren

Sheila Toabe

In honor of Dan Hirschhorn's 65th Birthday

Andrew & Judith Kusmin

Al Baum

In memory of Samuel & Sadye Gereboff

Howard Bromberg

■ In memory of "my dear friend Elaine Carlson who I have

known for 25 years"

Mark Breithart

THE RESNICK FAMILY EDUCATION FUND

Four years ago, in February 2005, thanks to the generosity of many members of the Resnick Family, the Resnick Family Education Fund was established here, at Congregation Beth Jacob. A few years earlier, Resnick descendants, representing one of CBJ's Founding Families had a reunion in Plymouth to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of their family's settlement here. The Fund they provided in 2005 was to be used for the benefit of worthy students, based on need, enrolled in our Religious School. We acknowledge these recent contributions:

> Gifts in any amount are always welcome. Please make your check payable to CBJ, and write "Resnick Fund" in the memo space.

In Honor of CBJ's 100th Anniversary

Dr. & Mrs. Elliott Segal Brookline MA

Mr. & Mrs. Sheldon Markofsky Olney MD

The Resnick Family

Mr. Stephen Scherer Round Rock TX

RUSSO FUND

In memory of Henry Feinberg Rita Bailen Elliott & Joanne Levy

In memory of Dr Harry Keller Dr Jeffrey Goodman & Family

Elul Fund

Donations should be sent to CBJ, PO Box 3284, Plymouth MA 02361 and mark your check with 'Elul Fund.'

Mark & Kimberly Russo

Anne Geller

Donations for The Rabbi's Mitzvah Fund

The Rabbi's Mitzvah Fund supports special educational and charitable projects for the Congregation and in its name. Gifts in any amount are always welcome, and are acknowledged to the donor and/or to the honoree, or, to the family of one who has been remembered. Please direct gifts and instructions to Rabbi Silverman. (Checks payable to CBJ-Rabbi's Mitzvah Fund.) Your support is always appreciated and we acknowledge these recently received gifts:

Anonymous

In Memory of DR. I. HARRY KELLER
By Muriel Swartz
Mr. and Mrs. James Hurwitz
Genevieve Hand
Dr. Ray and Milly Russo
Jay and Rhonda John & Family
Larry and Sue Winokur
Dr. Barry and Fay Meltzer
Joyce and George Goodman

In Memory of Sheila Finer's Uncle, HENRY FEINBERG By Joe, Paula, and Dara Keller Natalie and Len Meltzer

In Memory of Susan Adelman's Mother, RUTH BISNOW By Linda and Michael Rotman & Family

In Memory of ELAINE CARLSON By Charles and Roxanna Simpson Gordon and Janet Strauss Rose Geller

In Memory of my Mother, MARY JANE KATZ By Addie Lelyveld

In Memory of Max Lindeman By Ron and Tedda Lindeman

Presenting 4 new Minyan Prayerbooks By Melvin and Lois Klasky

In Honor of the 100th Anniversary of the Congregation, and in Honor of Rabbi Lawrence By The Hon. And Mrs. Bruce M. Selya

In addition, contributions came to the Rabbi's Mitzvah Fund for the purpose of dedicating new Likrat Shabbat prayer books for the Synagogue. We acknowledge with thanks (below) our donors and their dedications. We are especially grateful that all of our new books have been spoken for.

In Honor and appreciation of our dearest Husband, Father, and Grandfather, THE HON. JUDGE GREGORY R. BALER, upon his retirement from the bench on April 17, 2009 By His Family:

Mrs. Brenda J. Baler Atty. Adam J. and Kelly M. Baler Andrew Edward, Grace Elizabeth, and Kate Frances Baler

In Memory of my Parents, DR. ISIDORE AND HATTIE RESNICK WATERMAN (10 Books)
By Rollene Waterman Saal

Continued from left column:

In Honor of the birth and naming of our Granddaughter, SADIE HOPE KUSMIN By Ronnie and Dan Hirschhorn

In Honor of DAN HIRSCHHORN, for his special birthday

By Alyce and Arnold Gladstein Sheila and Carl Finer Barbara and Sam Gorfinkle

In Honor of ALAN KOPLAN, for his special birthday By Alyce and Arnold Gladstein Sheila and Carl Finer Barbara and Sam Gorfinkle

In Memory of MARK LELYVELD By Addie Lelyveld and Family

In Memory of LOUIS AND IDA RESNICK, a Founding Family of Congregation Beth Jacob By Mr. & Mrs. Bernard T. Resnick Family

In Memory of JOSEPH, PAULINE, STANLEY AND ALICE RESNICK
By Mr. & Mrs. Bernard T. Resnick Family

In Honor of the 100th Anniversary of Congregation Beth Jacob & in Memory of my beloved Grandparents JULIUS AND MARY COHEN (CBJ Founding Family) By Deborah B. Cohen

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In Honor of the 100th Anniversary of Congregation Beth Jacob & in Honor of THE REV. PETER GOMES

By Deborah B. Cohen

In Memory of my Father, DAVID SCHWARTZ By Michael Schwartz

In Memory of my Mother, DOROTHY SCHWARTZ By Michael Schwartz

Yahrzeit and Condolences

Yahrzeit Observance begins the evening before the date shown

> "May the Memory of each one abide as a Blessing"

Notes on Yahrzeit observance: In the Jewish calendar, this year is a leap year. As a result, yahrzeits will be observed later in the season than they were last year.

Some customs associated with Yahrzeit observance are: lighting a memorial candle at home in the evening at the beginning of the Yahrzeit period; saying Kaddish during a Shabbat service close to the Yahrzeit; donating to a charity or one of CBJ's special funds in memory of the one whose Yahrzeit is being observed.

JUNE

- Solomon Bromberg
- 6th Walter Kilimnik
- Edith Lipetz
- Marc Lipetz
- 7th Herman Michaels
- 10th Lloyd Anderson
- 13th Dora G. Bell
- 13th Ruth Cohen
- 15th Jack Gurwitch
- 17th Leon Bromberg
- 18th Myer "Mike" Starr
- 19th Ruth Putnam Sherman
- 20th Frances Taub
- 21st Louis Koplan
- 22nd Zelda Selya Silverman
- 26th Mary Minsky
- 26th Milton Moore
- 27th David Starr
- 30th Alice Harris
- 30th Jack Swartz

- 3rd Frances Strauch
- 4th Kurt Weishaupt

- 18th Elizabeth Greene

- 24th Jacob Veiner
- 27th Lena Handlin
- 29th Bert Sternfield
- 31st James Judah Evans
- 31st Martyrs of Mazekai

- 7th Edward R. Bloom

- 11th Harry Minsky 11th Jack Minsky 12th Melinda Hightower 12th Selma Leopold 14th Roslyn Jarmel

- 16th Mary Cohen
- 16th William Kirschner
- 17th Norman Hollander
- 18th Seymour Lutsky 19th Melvin "Manny" Mann 21st Gladys Reuben 23rd Abraham Green

- 24th Julius Cohen

AUGUST

- 1st Evelyn Bookman
- 3rd Jack Bernard
- 5th Abraham Sherman
- 5th Esther Wisoff
- 7th Hyman Sheff

The Congregation mourns the recent death of DR. I. HARRY KELLER, long-time member and past-president of CBJ, and offers heartfelt condolences to Adeline Keller, to Jackie and Steve Winokur and their family, and to Joe and Paula Keller and their family

The Congregation mourns the recent death of ELAINE MARIE CARLSON, and offers heartfelt condolences to her family and friends

The Congregation offers its heartfelt condolences to Arnold Kanter and the Kanter Family on the death of his Mother, BEATRICE KANTER

The Congregation offers its heartfelt condolences to Sheila Finer and the Finer and Abramson Families on the death of her uncle, HENRY FEINBERG

The Congregation offers heartfelt condolences to Linda Myer, on the death of her Mother, BELLE MYER (in Chicago)

The Congregation notes with sadness the recent death of EDDIE ARONS, who had been a longtime member of CBJ

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> The Memory of the Righteous Abídes as a Blessina

JUNE

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5 Simcha Shabbat Svcs. 7:30pm Syn.	6
7	8	9	10	11	12 Services 8:00pm Syn Oneg: Kim Sims	13 10:30am Hugh Sims Bar Mitzvah
9:30 Quick CBJ Board mtg - CC 10:00 CBJ Annual mtgCC	15 8:30am Limud Torah @ Synagogue	16	17	18	19 Services 7:30pm Syn	20
21	22 8:30am Limud Torah @ Synagogue CBJ Board mtg. 7pm Synagogue	Confirmation Trip	24 Class	25	26 Shabbat on the Beach 6:00 Picnic 7:00 Services	27
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JULY

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AUGUST

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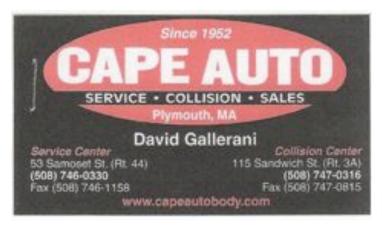




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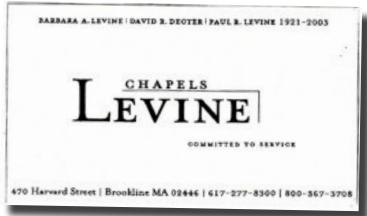
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