



# The Newsletter of Congregation Beth Jacob

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מה-טבו אהליך. יעקב. משכנתך. ישראל!

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

**5770 HOLIDAYS**

- ☀ Sun May 02, Lag B'Omer
- ☀ Wed May 12, Yom Yerushalayim
- ☀ Tue May 18, Erev Shavuot
- ☀ Wed May 19, Shavuot 1
- ☀ Tue July 20, Tish'a B'Av

*Holidays begin on the evening before the date shown.*

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE –

DAYENU? NOT FOR ME!

When my family joined CBJ in 1977, we were surprised to find that some families failed to renew their memberships once their children reached the age of Bar or Bat Mitzvah or marriage. At that time Carl and I promised each other to remain active and "pay it forward." Without our predecessors there would have been no synagogue or community center, no Rabbi, no religious school, no CBJ for us. It is too important for all of us to do our part in making sure CBJ is still here for generations to come.

During our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, it was evident by the turnout of founding families as well as previous members who have left the area, just how much CBJ has meant to them. I felt proud to be a part of making sure we reached this momentous milestone.

As my presidential term comes to a close in June, I remember Rabbi Silverman's kind words at my installation in 2006. He noted each contribution I have made here and said many people would have completed each of these and said Dayenu ~ enough. But, in my case I forged on and remained active always keeping in mind my promise of years ago. In 2006 when the nominating committee searched for a new president, I volunteered in hopes that my time in office would give some of the younger and newer families a chance to build the same bond here as I did years ago. I feel the new board coming to the table is doing just that. Mission accomplished!

Representing CBJ on the local, regional and national level has been a life changing and unforgettable experience. I'm proud to extol our community's virtues and have never been afraid to ask for guidance when needed. I attended a URJ biennial and came back renewed and assured that our problems are common with other synagogues and they can all be overcome. All it takes is dedication, foresight and some sweat along the way. It's all well worth the work.

I have been so fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with and get to know so many talented individuals whether on the executive board, during committee meetings or even at Friday evening services. Each brings a different perspective to the table and together we have made Beth Jacob even stronger.

A few years ago I received a personal letter from Rose Geller and I hope she won't mind my sharing her sentiments here. It is a letter I'll cherish forever.

*Dear Sheila,*

*You see I worried needlessly ~ the synagogue is cared for with loving hands. I thank you for not only stepping forward, but for truly enjoying it. It shows in all you do. From being the little girl in the balcony, the 90 years have passed quickly. I thank G-d for this life I have enjoyed.*

*Love, Rose*

I hope I can encourage others to carry on the work so many over the past 100 years have started. We have just begun and with your participation, your dedication and your love for CBJ we can continue for generations to come. Thank you for giving me your trust and the confidence I needed to perform for duties these past four years. I've only just begun.

DAYENU? NEVER!

*Sheila Finer*

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#### Board of Trustees

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## Brotherhood

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

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. If it happens at CBJ, Sisterhood is there!

Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm at the Synagogue – PLEASE JOIN US!!!

## PARTY – Plymouth Area Temple Youth

*Co-Advisor Robin Hunter*

*Co-Advisor Jessie Bridgewater*

Contact us at [party@cbjplymouth.org](mailto:party@cbjplymouth.org)

Get information at [www.cbjplymouth.org/PARTY.html](http://www.cbjplymouth.org/PARTY.html)

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

Go to Event Listings for dates and documents – *username:* nftyne *password:* neptune

PARTY – grades 9 – 12, NFTY regional activities scheduled monthly

JR. PARTY – grades 6 – 8, attends annual Shul-In (Brookline)

Both groups occasionally combine for a variety of activities.

PARTY will host a Shabbat on the Pond during the summer – date to be announced

## EDUCATION COMMITTEE

### BEIT SEFER NEWS – Jill Duggan

Beit Sefer students have had a year full of learning, activities and treats!! Most recently, students participated in a Passover Chocolate Seder brought to us by Student Cantor Elise Barber who has been working with our children over the past year. Parents and students had a wonderful time and we would like to thank Elise for all of the time she has spent with us!

As the year winds down, students will be learning about spring holidays such as Lag Ba'omer and Shavout. Closing ceremonies will take place the evening of May 21<sup>st</sup> with a camp style service. Additional details will be provided to students during Beit Sefer, as well as published in the CBJ weekly newsletter.

Parents will be receiving registration information for next year during the summer months. If anyone is interested in teaching next year or working the education committee please contact Jill Duggan at [HDuggan13@comcast.net](mailto:HDuggan13@comcast.net).

### SHABBAT ON THE POND

This year, due to the unavailability of Nelson Park, we will have "Shabbat On The Pond". We will hold services at Jenny Pond at the end of Spring Lane where the picnic tables are. Spring Lane is located off of Summer Street across from the John Carver Inn at Town Brook. There is plenty of free parking there. The picnic will start at 6:00 PM and services will be at 7:00 PM. The dates are as follows: July 2, July 16, July 30, August 13, and August 27. The other Friday night services will be at the synagogue. In the event of inclement weather, "Shabbat On The Pond" will be at the synagogue instead of Jenny Pond.

**LIMUD TORAH/TORAH STUDY GROUP**  
**Meetings Most Mondays, 8:30-10:00 a. m. (S)**

**Our Monday morning Limud Torah will wrap up our present study of the Book of Judges in June, and then move on to other Biblical texts. Newcomers may join us at any time, even for a single session. No Hebrew required (though helpful). Please check our weekly up-dates for possible additions to our schedule. Sessions planned (all Mondays) on: May 3, 10, 17, and 24; June 7, 14, and 21; July 19 and 26; August, TBA.**

**Donations**

**GENERAL FUND**

**In memory of Nancy Golden:**

**Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Strauss  
Dr. & Mrs. Barry Meltzer  
Amy Katsew  
Rose Geller  
Susan Golden  
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Finer  
Elayne Kalaminsky  
Mr. & Mrs. Elliott Levy**

**In memory of Sady & Samuel Gerboff:  
BENNY'S**

**ELUL FUND**

**Mr. & Mrs. Joe Keller**

**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. Your contributions are especially important during the winter. 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 Honor of the First Birthday of Our Granddaughter SADIE HOPE KUSMIN  
By Dan and Ronnie Hirschhorn

In Memory of my Father, JOSEPH RESNICK, at the season of his Yahrzeit  
By Bernard Resnick

In Memory of my Beloved Parents, MICHAEL J. JORDAN AND NORA JORDAN  
By Julienne Jordan Isaacson

# Yahrzeit and Condolences

Yahrzeit Observance begins the evening before the date shown

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

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.

## MAY

2 Arnold Shelly  
2 Stella S. Bromberg  
4 Harvey F. Cohen  
7 Miriam Polak Lelyveld  
8 Kalman Aharoni  
10 Ida Portnoy  
13 Jacob Erie  
15 Ada Greenberg  
16 Lawrence Geller  
17 Rae Baron  
19 Minnie E. Kaplan  
21 Walter Wise  
22 Solomon Bromberg  
27 Edith Lipetz  
27 Walter Kilimnik  
28 Marc Lipetz  
28 Herman Michaels  
30 Theodore Strauss  
31 Joseph W. Swartz  
31 Lloyd Anderson

## JUNE

3 Dora G. Bell  
3 Ruth Cohen  
4 Vera Marcus  
4 Hattie Resnick Waterman  
5 Jack Gurwitch  
7 Leon Bromberg  
8 Myer "Mike" Starr  
9 Ruth Putnam Sherman  
10 Frances Taub  
11 Louis Koplan  
16 Mary Minsky  
16 Milton Moore  
17 David Starr  
19 Herbert Silverman  
19 Jack Greenberg  
20 Alice Harris  
20 Jack C. Swartz  
23 Florence Efron  
24 Kurt Weishaupt  
27 Edward R. Bloom  
29 Esther Aranowitz  
29 John Martini

## JULY

1 Harry Minsky  
1 Jack Minsky  
1 Katherine P. Toabe  
2 Selma Leopold  
2 Melinda Hightower  
4 Roslyn Jarmel  
6 Mary Cohen  
6 William Kirschner  
7 Norman Hollander  
8 Elizabeth Greene  
8 Seymour Lutzky  
9 Melvin "Manny" Mann  
11 Gladys Reuben  
13 Abraham Greene  
14 Julius Cohen  
14 Jacob Veiner  
17 Lena Handlin  
19 Bert Sternfield  
21 Judah James Evans  
21 Martyrs of Mazeikai  
22 Evelyn Bookman  
24 Jack Bernard  
26 Abraham Sherman  
26 Esther Wisoff  
28 Hyman Sheff  
30 Lillian Gilbert  
31 Anna Wolfe

## AUGUST

2 Mollie Swartz  
3 Harold Samuel Finer  
4 Gertrude B. Klasky  
4 Nathan Levy



## Rabbi's Calling Hours

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

**NEW Direct phone: 508-746-0010**

**NEW EMERGENCY LINE: 401-480-5800**

## MAY

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
						1
2 9:45 PTO mtg. Beit Sefer & Confirmation	3 8:30am Limud Torah @ Syn. 2 <sup>ND</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm	4 3 <sup>RD</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm	5	6 1 <sup>ST</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm 4 <sup>TH</sup> YR. Hebrew 5:15pm	7 Simcha Shabbat 7:30pm Service @ Syn. ONEG: Schulman	8
9	10 8:30am Limud Torah @ Syn. 2 <sup>ND</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm	11 3 <sup>RD</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm	12	13 1 <sup>ST</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm 4 <sup>TH</sup> YR. Hebrew 5:15pm	14 7:30pm Service @ Syn. ONEG: Liskov	15 9:45 am, Syn. Sarah Liskov Bat Mitzvah
16 Beit Sefer & Confirmation PTO Bake Sale  Sisterhood Donor Luncheon	17 8:30am Limud Torah @ Syn. 2 <sup>ND</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm	18 3 <sup>RD</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm  <b>Shavu'ot Svc. 5:45pm, Syn</b>	19	20 1 <sup>ST</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm 4 <sup>TH</sup> YR. Hebrew 5:15pm	21 7:30pm Service @ Syn. ONEG: Waltuch	22
23	24 8:30am Limud Torah @ Syn. 2 <sup>ND</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm CBJ BOARD MTG. 7:00PM @ Syn.	25 3 <sup>RD</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm	26	27	28 7:30pm Service @ Syn. ONEG: Steve & Hazel Minsky	29
30	31 No Hebrew class					

## JUNE

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		1 3 <sup>RD</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm	2	3 1 <sup>ST</sup> YR. Hebrew 4:00pm  4 <sup>TH</sup> YR. Hebrew 5:15pm	4 Simcha Shabbat 7:30 Service @ Syn. Confirmation graduation ONEG: Forman /Benedetto	5
6	7 8:30am Limud Torah @ Syn.	8	9	10	11 7:30pm Service @ Syn ONEG: Duggan	12 9:30 am, Syn. Rachel Duggan Bat Mitzvah
13	14 8:30am Limud Torah @ Syn.	15	16	17	18 7:30pm Service @ Syn	19
20	21 8:30am Limud Torah @ Syn.	22	23	24	25 7:30pm Service @ Syn	26
27	28	29	30			

## JULY

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
				1	2 Shabbat on the Pond – 6:00 dinner, 7:00 Service	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 Simcha Shabbat 7:30pm Service @ Syn	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 Shabbat on the Pond – 6:00 dinner, 7:00pm Service ONEG: Feingold	17 10:00 am, Syn. Zoe Feingold Bat Mitzvah
18	19 8:30am Limud Torah @ Syn.	20	21	22	23 7:30pm Service @ Syn ONEG: Chalif	24 10:00 am, Syn. Arielle Chalif Bat Mitzvah
25	26 8:30am Limud Torah @ Syn.	27	28	29	30 Shabbat on the Pond – 6:00 dinner, 7:00pm Service	

# A HEARTY MAZEL TOV TO:

Benjamin Waltuch for placing third at the Regional Science Fair held at Bridgewater State College. This qualified Ben to move on to the State Science Fair held at MIT. His project was researching the best location in Plymouth for a wind turbine.

## **GIFT CARD REMINDER FUNDRAISING PROGRAM**

*As Beit Sefer comes to a close, please know I will still be available for all your gift card needs. Please call me at 508-224-1942 and I will arrange to get your cards to you.*

Please consider using our gift card program as an easy, efficient and no brainer way to purchase items for yourself, or to give as gifts. Cards are available for just about every major retailer in the country. You'll find clothing stores, restaurants, beauty parlors, super markets, gasoline, travel or just about anything else you can imagine. Just go to the web site ([www.glscip.com](http://www.glscip.com)) and print the list as a work sheet and call or write me with your orders. Bear in mind that CBJ earns a commission on everything you purchase under this program and there is no impact on your budget. There is one caveat and that is on card ordered that aren't kept in stock the freight charge (\$7.50) is equally divided among all the participants in that order. Thank you for your ongoing support of our beloved CBJ!  
Carl Finer, Fundraising

## **LEADERSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT**

**ANNUAL MEETING TO ELECT NEW OFFICERS** - Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am. Join us as we vote for our new leaders. Coffee and nosh available at 9:30 am. Watch for a formal announcement in the mail.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED** – we are looking for committee members to sign up at the annual meeting. We need you to help us make CBJ a welcoming and fun community for all.

## **HELP WANTED**

We are in need of a new editor for the Tent and weekly email. Training will be provided. If you are interested in this position, please email Mary Waltuch at [mwaltuch@msn.com](mailto:mwaltuch@msn.com)