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The Newsletter of Congregation Beth Jacob

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

JULY/AUGUST 2014

HOLIDAYS

5774

SEPT 25TH ROSH HASHANA

OCT 4TH YOM KIPPUR

OCT 7TH SUKкот

OCT 16TH SIMCHAT TORAH

DEC 17TH HANUKAH

Holidays begin at sundown on the evening before the dates listed.



PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Dear CBJ Congregants,

This month marks the beginning of my second year as CBJ President and I can’t believe how the year has flown by. We have finished settling into our Synagogue space and have grown accustomed to being in one building as we watched the former CBJ Community Center be transformed into a beautiful performing arts center.

In our small synagogue building we have educated our children for another successful year of Beit Sefer. We have enjoyed numerous, sumptuous Brotherhood programs and breakfasts. We have celebrated B’Nai Mitzvah, solemnly mourned those who have passed, held committee and board meetings, enjoyed Shabbat evening and morning services and continued to grow together as a temple community. We have made strides on the technology front as well, installing wireless internet to allow our teachers to utilize the internet’s multitude of educational resources in the classroom, and we have digitized our records to ensure that they are safely and securely stored for years to come. In addition, we have benefited from reduced expenses as a result of the sale of the Community Center. And so we have the good fortune to be in better shape financially at the end of this fiscal year than we have in past years.

I want to thank everyone who has contributed to our temple community over the past year – our educators and PTO, our committee and board members, brotherhood and sisterhood volunteers, financial contributors, Oneg hosts, and our communication volunteers who ensure publication and delivery of the Tent and the weekly update. I appreciate all of the time and effort that each and every one of you spend to support our temple community. I encourage anyone who is not involved in a committee, or has not attended a board meeting, or visited during Beit Sefer or hosted an Oneg... get involved! We need you. We have an open Vice President position and a need for a Membership Committee chair. We are always looking for people interested in becoming involved with Beit Sefer, whether it be teaching in the classroom, leading music lessons, substituting, serving on the PTO, or writing curriculum. There is so much that you can get involved with.

I just want to say how grateful I am for being a part of this CBJ community. The journey that has led me to where I am today has been a unique and inspiring one, and being a part of this community is something that I will never take for granted. I wish all of you a wonderful summer, and I look forward to another great year ahead.

Shalom,

Christine Burke

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FROM RABBI SILVERMAN

Dear Friends:

Every week, in one way or another, Israel is in the news. What is the background noise we are hearing at that moment? Have our feelings about Israel -- toward Israel -- changed in any significant way? To go back to "The Beginning," at least as far as modern times are concerned, where were we (or our parents) when the State of Israel was declared? Were we "for it or against it?" Did we think our lives might change because of Israel-as-a-new-reality in the world? And today: Do we feel a connection to Israel -- the country, the land, the people, the history? And how important (or not) is that feeling of connection to us?

There is so much to talk about here; and I would venture to make a beginning to this conversation with you by introducing it on a Friday/ Shabbat evening in July. Come, and join me, if you will: for our Shabbat evening service on Friday, July 18, beginning at 7:30, followed by a talk on the subject of "Our Relationship With Israel" (whether you stay or not is entirely up to you).

Our service will be somewhat "accelerated" (for example, no sermon or d'var Torah), so that we can get to our subject about Israel without extending our evening much beyond what it already is. This should be a special Friday night. Let's see how it goes!

The Congregation sends a hearty "Mazel Tov" to...

Rick Burke and Christine Burke whose daughter, Emily, graduated Confirmation Class during the week of Shavu'ot Marissa Kanter, Valedictorian, on her graduation from Plymouth South High School!

The Congregation offers heartfelt condolences to....

The Congregation mourns the recent death of MURIEL SWARTZ, a long-time member of our community. We extend our condolences to the Swartz, Hurvitz, and Penn families and their descendants. Her memory will abide as a blessing.

The Congregation offers our heartfelt condolences to Ronnie and Dan Hirschhorn and their family on the recent death of her Mother, FRANCES RIBACK. Her memory will abide as a blessing.

BEIT SEFER NEWS

Closing Ceremony - On May 4th Beit Sefer families gathered to celebrate the end of the school year. Each student shared something they learned that was special to them. All of the children were presented with Certificates of Completion for the 2013-2014 school year. Sixth graders Joshua Feingold, Rachel Forman, and Adam Weiner received diplomas and special Tzedakah boxes in hope that they will save coins and "pay it forward" to a cause with personal importance for them. Adam Weiner also received a special certificate for perfect attendance.

Family Fun Day - The PTO planned a wonderful day at the Plymouth County Sheriff's Dept. Petting Zoo & Farm and the weather couldn't be better for our special "behind-the-scenes" tour of the grounds. We learned about the farm's many projects including a vegetable garden which provides fresh produce to the local food pantry and a lifetime care program for Thoroughbred horses retired from Suffolk Downs. The children had fun visiting the many cows, horses, chickens, goats, sheep, rabbits, and an Alpaca, known for spitting. Daisy the Hog was quite the sight, but appeared unimpressed with her many visitors as she simply continued to lie in the dirt, making only a few quiet "snorts" while dreaming. Thank you to Jeff Isaacson and the PTO for making this activity possible.

2014/2015 School Year - Please make sure to register your child for Beit Sefer or Confirmation Class (registration form on next page) so we have an accurate student count for the next school year. A lot of planning occurs during the summer months and we need to know how many children to expect. Contact Laura Finkel (lafinkel@verizon.net or 508-830-9635) if you need a registration form (located on next page) or have any questions. Based on the calendar, it looks like Beit Sefer will begin on Sunday, September 7th with our Open Day Parents' Meeting and crafts for the children. More information will be sent out during the summer months.

SHABBAT ON THE BEACH!

We gather at 6:00 at Nelson Park for bring-your-own picnic supper; service begins at 7:00 pm.
(In case of rain, we gather at the Synagogue at 7:30)

DATES:

**** July 11th July 25th (blessing of the animals) August 8th August 22nd ****

July 18th will be an Adult Education Shabbat starting at 7:30 at the Synagogue (30 min service followed by adult education discussion on American Jews and our Relationship w/Israel led by Rabbi Silverman.

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Congregation Beth Jacob
Pre-Registration Form
2014-2015 Education Programs

Please list all students who will be participating in any of our education programs including Beit Sefer, Confirmation Class, and B'Nai Mitzvah preparation.

Student Name (first and last)	Phone #	Date of Birth	Grade (in Sept.)

Fees

- Beit Sefer Pre-kindergarten: no charge
- Beit Sefer K-6 (includes Hebrew School for grades 3-6): \$330
- Confirmation Class: \$110

B'Nai Mitzvah (includes Confirmation Class and setup/cleanup for Kiddush afterwards): \$275

There is a family maximum of \$700.

Beit Sefer students: _____ X \$330 = \$_____

Confirmation students: _____ X \$110 = \$_____

B'Nai Mitzvah students: _____ X \$275 = \$_____

TOTAL \$_____

Do not send in payment at this time. Fees will be added to your July 1st bill.

Check below if you are interested in:

____ Teaching/Co-Teaching (membership stipend available)

____ Occasional Substitute Teaching

Please mail completed form to:

Laura Finkel
 42 Grabau Drive
 Plymouth, MA 02360

Oneg Schedule for July and August 2014

For onegs after Shabbat on the Beach, we are looking for volunteers to provide challah, grape juice and fruit. Sisterhood will be hosting ice cream onegs following services at the synagogue. If, however, you have a special date during July and August and would like to host an oneg at the synagogue, or if you would like to help with Shabbat on the Beach, please contact Sue Solomon at bunnienu@gmail.com or 781.258.7861.

Thank you to everyone who has helped to provide an oneg for congregants to enjoy!

July 4th: No oneg
 July 11th: Shabbat on the Beach: Marjorie Nydell
 July 18th: Sisterhood
 July 25th: Shabbat on the Beach: Barbara Aharoni
 August 1st: Sisterhood
 August 8th: Shabbat on the Beach: unassigned
 August 15th: Sisterhood
 August 22nd: Shabbat on the Beach: unassigned
 August 29th: Jo and Elliott Levy

SISTERHOOD NEWS:

- On June 3rd Marjorie Nydell was elected as our new Sisterhood President. With a sigh of relief by all, she accepted. Marjorie and Matt are newer members of CBJ. Please give her your support when she calls upon you with a Sisterhood job. Other office holders and chairs: Cindy Teles – treasurer, Suzanne Goldberg - corresponding secretary, Susan Solomon- Onegs, Vickie Sachs - torah study and walking group, Robin Hunter - gift wrap liaison, Sherri Sore - Break Fast, Barbara Aharoni-supplies, and Paula Keller-advisor.

- Torah Study is in session. Please join us with Rabbi Silverman 11-noon for fascinating discussions. Please check your Sisterhood email for date or contact Vickie Sachs.

- Also started by Vickie is a walking group. Again check your email for time and place or contact Vickie.

- The annual Sisterhood Shabbat will take place on Friday, August 15th at the Temple. The chairs are Paula Keller, Cindy Teles and Linda Meyer. Please contact Paula if you want to participate. There will be an Ice Cream Oneg following the service.

- We know this is early but Sisterhood’s annual Hanukkah Party is Tuesday, December 9th, the second Tuesday of the month.

- Please look for your dues notice by email after the first of July. Those of you who don’t have email will get a notice via the post office.

Our next Sisterhood meeting is Tuesday, August 5th. There is **no** July meeting.

Deadline for the SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER TENT is August 11th Articles and news may be submitted to Robin Kirby at robink12@verizon.net and are accepted earlier than the deadline. Please note that the deadline is just that a deadline. I would like to keep the issues of the TENT coming out the last week of the month prior to the TENT issue ie. November/December should be out the last week of October so congregants that wish to attend upcoming events know of them in advance.

Thank you in advance for your understanding,
 Robin Kirby, Editor

DONATIONS

Yahrzeit Fund

Barbara Aharoni & Harry Shamir in Memory of Stephen Goldberg
 Carl & Sheila Finer in Memory of Frances Riback
 Leonard & Elaine Freed in Memory of Frances Riback
 Donald & Carol Gilbert in Memory of William Lippman
 Suzanne Goldberg in Memory of Joseph & Estelle Epstein
 Jay & Rhonda John in Memory of Frances Riback
 Paula & Joe Keller in Memory of Frances Riback
 Paula & Joe Keller in Memory of Muriel Swartz
 Lois & Mel Klasky in Memory of Frances Riback
 Vickie Sachs in Memory of her Father
 Fred & Irene Sarke in Memory of Marc Lipetz
 Fred & Irene Sarke in Memory of Frances Riback
 Jeff & Fran Shelly in Memory of Arnold Shelly
 Jackie & Steven Winokur in Memory of Frances Riback
 Jackie & Steven Winokur in Memory of Muriel Swartz

General Fund

Paula & Joe Keller for a speedy recovery to Allen Andrews
 Andrew & Marsha Liskov in Honor of Jonathan Liskov Bar Mitzvah
 Selma Vanwest

Misc

Tree of Life Leaf Donations in Honor of Susan & Larry Winokur's 50th Anniversary

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 Pauline & Richard Serkey
 Franny & Jeff Shelly
 Maureen & Alvin Werner
 Susan & Weston Whiting
 Jackie & Steve Winokur
 Cookie & Paul Zaniboni
 Dotty & Marvin Ziskin

PLEASE NOTE:

Contributions to the Rabbi's Mitzvah Fund are always welcome and, during the winter months, are especially needed. Checks should be made payable to "CBJ-Rabbi's Mitzvah Fund" and sent to the Rabbi's attention at P.O. Box 3284, Plymouth, MA 02361. Please include your dedication instructions. A note will be sent to the person (s) honored by your gift or to the family of someone in whose memory a contribution is made.

HINENI

The Brotherhood and Sisterhood of Congregation Beth Jacob are continuing (Hineni) to provide one-time or short-term services to congregants. To this end, a number of congregants have volunteered to provide rides, meals, and other similar assistance as needed and requested.

For examples, rides to Temple for services, programs, and meetings as well as to appointments can be arranged. Meals will also be provided on a limited basis.

All congregant requests will be maintained in the strictest of confidentiality. Any requests for assistance should be directed to the program coordinator, Suzanne Goldberg @ 508-833-8896, or Rabbi Silverman @ 508-746-1575. Volunteers are always welcomed and needed.

Yahrzeits During July/August

Please note: Yahrzeit observance begins the evening preceding the date shown.

Yahrzeits for July and August

(Yahrzeit observance begins the evening before the date shown)

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

JULY

1 Cecile Greenberg
 1 Mary Minsky
 1 Milton Moore
 2 David Starr
 2 Frances Strauch
 4 Herbert Silverman
 5 Jack Greenberg
 5 Alice Harris
 5 Jack C. Swartz
 6 Jack Weiss
 10 Kurt Weishaupt
 12 Edward R. Bloom
 14 Esther Aranowitz
 14 John Martini
 16 Harry Minsky
 16 Jack Minsky
 16 Katherine P. Toabe
 18 Selma Leopold
 18 Melinda Hightower
 20 Roslyn Jarmel
 22 William Kirschner
 22 Toby Freedman Aharoni
 23 Norman Hollander
 24 Elizabeth Greene
 24 Seymour Lutzky
 25 Melvin "Manny" Mann
 27 Gladys Reuben
 29 Abraham Greene
 30 Julius Cohen
 30 Jacob Veiner

AUGUST

2 Lena Handlin
 4 Bert Sternfeld
 4 Leo Abramson
 5 Ada Ratick
 6 Judah James Evans
 6 Martyrs of Mazeikai

7 Evelyn Bookman
 8 Elizabeth Epstein
 11 Abraham Sherman
 11 Esther Wisoff
 13 Hyman Sheff
 15 Lillian Gilbert
 16 Anna Wolfe
 18 Mollie Swartz
 18 Alexander Finkelstein
 18 Frank Breslow
 19 Harold Finer
 20 Gertrude Klasky
 20 Nathan Levy
 21 Julius Cooper
 22 Adeline Keller
 22 Albert Finkelstein
 24 Benjamin Righter
 25 Milton Geller
 25 Sophie Levy
 25 Phyllis Bell O'Connor
 26 Barnett Portnoy
 28 Albert Rosenberg
 28 Esther Russo
 30 Hymen W. Bell
 30 Judah Wise
 31 Robert Bailen
 September
 3 Morris Teles



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Notes on Yahrzeit observance:

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.

Members, Guests and Friends of CBJ:

I am happy to remind you of a program that we offer at Congregation Beth Jacob to inform fellow Jews: both members and their families and friends of CBJ, of the annual yahrzeit dates of their loved ones. Once you have supplied the names and dates (either Hebrew or English) of those whom you wish to remember, you will receive notification approximately three weeks in advance of the yahrzeit date. There is no charge for this service. We feel that it's important to supply this service to all interested Jews.

I realize that our members have furnished this information when they joined CBJ. We ask those of you who have not done so to supply this information again so we can be sure our records are up-to-date and accurate. This program is separate from your listings in our annual Yizkor Book of Remembrance.

Please send this information to:

Congregation Beth Jacob
 Attn: Arnold Gladstein
 P O Box 3284
 Plymouth, MA 02361

HOW TO REACH US AT CBJ

508-746-1575

(Messages can be left here)

Rabbi Silverman can be reached at 508-746-0010 during Calling Hours and in Case of Emergency (Confidential messages can be left at this number).

Exception: When one knows that Rabbi Silverman is at the Synagogue, for example, for Hebrew School or Bar/Bat Mitzvah lessons, then it makes sense to try the Synagogue number first.

RABBI SILVERMAN'S CALLING HOURS:

Rabbi Silverman observes Calling Hours on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am - noon. In case of emergency, messages may always be left at 508-746-0010.

JULY 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Brotherhood Bowling	2	3	4 Parade No Shabbat Services	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 Shabbat Services on the Beach Oneg: Marjorie Nydell	12
13 9:30 Brotherhood Breakfast	14	15 Brotherhood Bowling	16	17	18 Shabbat Service 7:30 pm 30 min service followed by adult education (American Jews and our Relationship w/Israel) Oneg: Sisterhood	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Shabbat Service on the Beach Blessing of the Animals Oneg: Barbara Aharoni	26
27	28 7:00 CBJ Board Meeting	29	30	31		

AUGUST 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Simcha Shabbat 7:30pm Oneg: Sisterhood	2
3	4	5 7:00 Sisterhood Meeting Brotherhood Bowling	6	7	8 Shabbat Service on the Beach Oneg:	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Shabbat Service 7:30pm Oneg: Sisterhood	16
17	18	19 Brotherhood Bowling	20	21	22 Shabbat Service on the Beach Oneg:	23
24	25 7:00 CBJ Board Meeting	26	27	28	29 7:30 Shabbat Services Oneg: Jo & Elliott Levy	30
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