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### YOM HA-SHOAH

Services: Sunday, May 1 at 7:00 pm

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## B'NAI MITZVAHS



**May 7**

**Harrison Kleiman**

**David & Jessica**

My name is Harrison Kleiman and I am a 7th grade honor student at Grand Avenue Middle School in Bellmore. In my free time, I enjoy playing baseball and I am currently on a travel baseball team. My position on the team is short stop and I am also the lead-off batter for my team. For my mitzvah project, my brother Jordan and I would like to work together to make a difference and help in the fight against cancer. I would like to thank Cantor Hiesiger, Cantor Sher and Rabbi Bellows for helping me through this Bar Mitzvah process.



**May 7**

**Jordan Kleiman**

**David & Jessica**

My name is Jordan Kleiman and I am a 7th grade honor student at Grand Avenue Middle School in Bellmore. My favorite subjects in school are science and math. I love the game of baseball and I am the pitcher and third baseman for my travel team. For my mitzvah project, my brother Harrison and I are collaborating to make a difference and help in the fight against cancer. I would like to thank Cantor Hiesiger, Cantor Sher and Rabbi Bellows for helping me with my Bar Mitzvah lessons.



**May 14**

**George Capicchioni**

**Edward & Francine**

My name is George, and I am a 7th grader at Plainedge Middle School. I enjoy karate, which I have been doing since 1st grade; I also like playing X-Box, riding my bike, and hanging out with friends. I've been volunteering with animals for my Bar Mitzvah project, and I also plan to donate some of my Bar Mitzvah money to Reach Out for Youth with Ileitis & Colitis, Inc. I want to thank Mrs. Altman and Cantor Sher for all their help preparing me for my Bar Mitzvah.



**May 14**

**Sara Geller**

**Hope**



**May 28**

**Jamie Bauman**

**David & Nancy**



**May 28**

**Jonathan Tanner**

**Thomas & Marjorie**

My name is Jonathan Tanner, and I live in Wantagh with my parents, Tom and Margie, and my older brother Matthew. I am an honors student at Wantagh Middle School who plays the violin, is a member of the school newspaper, and plays on the school football team. Outside of school, I enjoy basketball, reading, spending time with my family, and playing with my friends and my dog, Sammi. For my mitzvah project, I collected sports equipment for less-fortunate children; it was a great success, and I really enjoyed helping these boys and girls. I want to thank all those who helped me study, learn and prepare for my Bar Mitzvah, especially Mrs. Altman. My family is very loving and supportive, and has helped me reach this great point in my life.



**May 30**

**Jeremy Goldberg**

**Joel & Stacey Mednick**

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Sunday, May 1	7:00 pm	Yom Ha-Shoah service (at Congregation Beth-El in Massapequa)
Friday, May 6	7:30 pm	Family Services / Teacher Recognition
Saturday, May 7	10:30 am	Services (2 Bar Mitzvahs)
Friday, May 13	5:30 pm	Tot Shabbat Services
Friday, May 13	8:00 pm	Israel Independence Service (with Rick Recht)
Saturday, May 14	10:30 am	Services (2 B'nai Mitzvahs)
Friday, May 20	8:00 pm	Chai Club Service
Saturday, May 21	10:30 am	Regular Services
Friday, May 27	8:00 pm	Regular Services
Saturday, May 28	10:30 am	Services (2 B'nai Mitzvahs)
Monday, May 30	10:30 am	Services (1 Bar Mitzvah)

**SCOUTING**

Boy Scout Troop 189 spent a weekend at West Point. They camped out on the military academy grounds and spent time on the Army's orienteering course. The course is about using the compass to guide their way through many obstacles in the woods. What is a scout trip without a campfire? So the boys made a campfire and each patrol performed a skit or two. At the end of the month, the troop participated in the annual Pequott District Camporee at Schiff Scout Reservation in Wading River. The camporee is a friendly competition between all the troops. Everyone always has a good time.

Meanwhile, Cub Scout Pack 189 held its annual Blue & Gold Banquet. The pack handed out the cub scouts ranks and watched as the 2nd Year Webelos bridged to the Boy Scout program. We will miss them but wish them well as they continue their adventures in Scouting. Cub Master Len was the Master of Ceremonies at the Blue and Gold and Cantor Sher gave the invocation. The meal was great. The highlight of the banquet was a contingent from the Order of the Arrow, the Boy Scout National Scouting Honor Society. The Pack would like to thank the parents of the boys who bridged and contributed so much to Pack 189.



View our pictures at [www.troop189ny.com](http://www.troop189ny.com)



## WHAT CAN YOU DO FOR ISRAEL TODAY?

Shalom, Chaverim – Hello, friends,

I hope you are having a lovely, warm, and rejuvenating spring. Each year, when we reach the month of May, I look forward to celebrating Yom Ha-Atzmaut – Israel Independence Day. This relatively recent addition to the Jewish calendar is a beautiful opportunity to appreciate the precious gift of Israel to the Jewish people everywhere, and will be observed this year on May 10. Celebrated annually on or around the 5th of the Jewish month of Iyar, it centers around the declaration of the statehood of Israel by The Jewish Leadership, led by future Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, on May 14, 1948. This declaration came a day earlier than the end of the British Mandate of Palestine, which was to finish on May 15.

An official ceremony is held every year on Mount Herzl in Jerusalem, on the evening of Yom Ha-Atzmaut. The ceremony includes a speech by the speaker of the Knesset (the Israeli parliament), a dramatic presentation, a ritual march of soldiers carrying the flag of Israel, forming elaborate structures (such as a Menorah, a Jewish Star, and a number which represents the age of Israel) and the lighting of twelve torches (one for each of the Tribes of Israel). Every year, a dozen Israeli citizens, each of whom has made a significant social contribution in a selected area of Israeli life, are honored with invitations to light the torches.

Interestingly, the holiday of Yom Ha-Atzmaut immediately follows that of Yom Ha-Zikaron – Memorial Day. In Israel, as you might imagine, every single citizen knows someone who died fighting for the right of Israel to exist, so Yom Ha-Zikaron is a powerful, moving, and emotional day for all. In America, we do not necessarily recognize the connection between Memorial Day and Independence Day – they are separated by a several weeks in our own observances. However, in Israel, the transition from one to another, seamlessly over the course of two days, helps all to truly appreciate those who personally made the ultimate sacrifice for the State of Israel.

This year, you have a number of wonderful options to enhance your own recognition of Yom Ha-Atzmaut:

1) Join us on Friday night, May 13, when we welcome Rick Recht, a well-known Jewish composer and musician, to our 8:00 pm Erev Shabbat Service. This service will include special readings and music in honor of Israeli Independence Day.

2) Join the group from Temple B'nai Torah as we march in this year's Celebrate Israel Parade on Sunday, June 5. We will march with Jews from all over the New York area in a wonderful tribute to Israel, its culture, and its people. Temple B'nai Torah always sends a large, enthusiastic contingent to the parade, and YOU can be a part of it! For more information, and to sign up, please contact Marilynn Block at [mlynnb@optonline.net](mailto:mlynnb@optonline.net).

3) Consider donating to either ARZA (Association of Reform Zionists of America) at [www.arza.org](http://www.arza.org), or to IRAC (Israel Religious Action Center), two organizations that further Reform Jewish interests, communities, and ideas within Israel. These two important bodies are working to build a strong, inclusive, and progressive Reform presence in the State of Israel.

4) Plan a trip to Israel! You and your family and friends can actually go there, experience the beauty and magnificence of the country for yourselves, and feel that indescribable feeling of Israel personally. I would be pleased to recommend travel agencies and itineraries to anyone interested in learning more.

Wishing you all a Chag Ha-Atzmaut Sameach – a Happy Israel Independence Day!

L'shalom – In peace,

Rabbi Bellows

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At the age of 11, in the summer of 1959, I attended my first sleep away camp experience, about which I have written in past bulletin articles. I have one photo from that summer. I am mugging for the camera, along with my bunkmates, while, standing behind us, is our counselor, Ron Heiligman, then about 19 years old. Little did I know, then, the connection Ron would create for me some 40 years later, in 1999, when I brought Rick Recht to my previous congregation for the first of 5 special worship and concert experiences, stretching out over the next 7 years. At that time, Rick's wife, Elisa Heiligman, was handling bookings. I asked her if she was related to Ron, telling her of my childhood experience. She excitedly told me that, indeed, he was her father! Now deceased for some years, she requested that photo, explaining the family had no photo records from that period in his life. As the rabbi would say, "Voila!" You couldn't have a better Jewish geographical connection than that!

Now, many years later, I am still as excited about working with Rick and his band as I was then. Rick's personal warmth, humility and openness allowed many from my previous congregation to form lasting relationships with him. I know that this will, especially, be the case after his first visit here. I write, "first," because I hope it will be the beginning of an ongoing relationship over future years at Temple B'nai Torah.

Rick Recht is the top touring Jewish musician, playing over 150 concerts and services a year around the world. Rick is widely recognized for his appeal to youth and family audiences, not only as an exceptional musician, singer, songwriter and entertainer, but also as a role model and metaphor for involvement in Jewish life. He has become an icon for Jewish youth, elevating the medium of contemporary Jewish music as a powerful and effective tool for developing Jewish pride and identity among our younger Jewish generations.

Rick's concept of the "Shabbat Alive!" worship experience has its own unique and powerful spiritual feeling. By involving not only his band members, but also our choirs, instrumentalists, youth group members and adults, we will have the opportunity to experience a true community-based worship service. The enthusiasm generated from working with him will add a very special atmosphere of learning, praying, educating and "rocking" in a comfortable and engaging way for all ages.

Rick also professes a genuine concern and caring for our world and environment. He is the musical spokesperson for the Jewish National Fund's "GoNeutral" program, allowing people to offset their impact on the environment by planting trees in Israel.

In the past few summers, Rick has launched an unprecedented tour of Jewish summer camps and retreat centers throughout the United States and Canada, subsequently resulting in a feverish following among campers and youth groupers not seen previously. "For me, it's a dream come true to create and share in this extraordinary environment on a daily basis."

Please join the Adult, Teen and Youth Choirs, along with additional singers and instrumentalists, for an unprecedented Temple B'nai Torah creative worship and musical experience, in our sanctuary, on Friday, May 13, at 8 pm. I'm sure our response will resonate in our community long after the brightly dancing flames of our Shabbat candles have faded into the secular week, an outstanding and wonderful example of the keeping of the spirit of Shabbat. You'll be happily humming these joyful melodies throughout your week! I can't wait!

Cantor Steven Sher



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



After twenty-two months in this job, I have learned not look back (at least not for now)...and to just keep moving forward. For me, stopping to look back is just too distracting. There is still much to accomplish and my time as TBT president is running unbelievably short. However, as I sit down to write this column, I broke my own rule; my curiosity peaked about what in the world I had to say in my first column as TBT president. I thought...what could I have possibly known at that point in time, that would enable me to discuss a topic relevant to the future of TBT. I should have known better than to question what I wrote; when I looked back, I found that it was Torah that I went to for my answers. As always, I trusted the wisdom that Torah holds, and was able to capture what would be required to deal with our reality.

My September 2009 column referred to a D'var Torah, specifically the D'var Torah that Rabbi Bellows had given during her very first moments visiting Temple B'nai Torah, during her interview with the TBT Rabbinic Search Committee. Her D'var Torah was from *Parshat Shemot*, the first portion of the Book of Exodus, and the lesson she brought to us from the portion was, "you will become what you need to be". I had forgotten all about the experience, which, at the time, touched me deeply. Now, as I think about the words in Rabbi Bellows' D'var Torah, the experience truly amazes me. "You will become what you need to be" has become our reality in many ways. You see people becoming "what they need to be"...whether our congregants, our volunteers, our staff and our clergy. You see Temple B'nai Torah becoming "what it needs to be" as we move forward as a community, learning what is needed in this new world to enable us to sustain temple life. In a way, we are all becoming "what we need to be" to create a path of Judaism into the future.

While it is clear that we have not totally evolved to where we need to be, just yet... I believe that we have made great strides in the effort. In these, our formative years at Temple B'nai Torah, I believe that we are the ones who have been blessed with the special gift of the "journey". For the destination is not always the prize, sometimes, upon looking back, we realize that the most precious part was the journey. Let us move forward slowly, and with patience, to enable us to enjoy every moment of the journey. As I quote Rabbi Karyn Kedar, from her book, *GOD WHISPERS*, I find comfort in knowing that we have come as far as we could, maybe even as far as we are meant to.

### PATIENCE

By Rabbi Karyn Kedar

*Steady yourself. Living takes time.  
Each moment is a moment to be lived.  
Each emotion is to be felt.  
We are here in this world to learn and grow.  
Fear can teach. Confusion instructs. Sadness informs.  
Love elevates.  
Take the time to experience each breath,  
Especially the ones that make you want to run.*

*Patience. Steady.  
Rush and race banish joy and peace.  
There is wonder to experience if you take the time.  
Step softly and deliberately.  
What lingers must be lived and  
Once lived completely passes in its own time.  
To force the natural rhythms of life  
Is to deny yourself of the  
Divine wisdom in each experience.*

I would like to thank each and every one of you for the journey...it has changed me forever.

Barbara Cohen  
Temple President

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO  
RITA HOFER AND BARBARA  
GOUVEIA ON BEING  
SELECTED AS THIS YEAR'S  
HONOREES AT THE ANNUAL  
ISRAELI BOND BREAKFAST**

*from the staff of the Temple B'nai Torah Times*



Sisterhood has been very busy while waiting for spring to finally arrive. Temple B'nai Torah was the host temple for the Evening of Learning, which is sponsored by the South Shore Sisterhoods. Almost one hundred women gathered to learn about Jewish comedians through the years. From the Marx Brothers and Danny Kaye to Alan Sherman, the evening was full of laughs! Thank you, Heather Gottfried and her committee, for all your work on this program.

Our annual Shop 'n' Dine was fantastic. A wonderful time was had by all—great shopping, terrific Chinese auction, delicious dinner, many friends. Nothing could be better. Kudos to Andrea Rifkin, Ellice Toscano, and all the women who worked with them to make this night possible. The following week, one hundred ten women came together as Rabbi Bellows led us in another annual activity, our Women's Seder. Mothers, daughter and grandmothers joined in the telling of the Passover story, replete with lots of song, dance, and of course, a wonderful dinner. The warmth and spirituality were contagious. *Yasher Koach* to Joni Christie, Heather Gottfried, and their committee, for a very special evening.

The last Rosh Chodesh program for this year was held on Sunday, April 10. Rabbi Bellows put together a series of programs during the year about Jewish Mysticism (or Kabbalah). The topic for the last pro-

gram was "Mystical Views of the Afterlife". The group of women who have attended these programs have experienced a very special bond. Thank you, Gail Goldstein, for spearheading this series. We look forward to future Rosh Chodesh programs with Rabbi Bellows. We know it will be an interesting adventure!

Do you have a special woman you would like to recognize this Mother's Day? Mother, sister, daughter, aunt, friend. Why not send a Mother's Day poem to your special woman and support our last fundraiser of the year. Thank-yous go out to Sharon Forman, Susan Beller, and their committee, for coordinating this effort.

As we welcome spring, April showers bring May flowers and some long awaited warmer weather. Our year winds down with the End of the Year dinner on May 23. The Sisterhood budget and new slate of officers will be voted on at this time. Thank you again, to Joni Christie and her membership dept., for catering this dinner. Please mark your calendar and join us for our last dinner and final general meeting of the year. I hope to see you all there.

Stephanie Jacobson

**In the House...**

*Submitted by Tessa Kean*

Join the House Committee on the first Tuesday of every month. We meet at 7 in the temple. Bring your expertise to our meeting. New ideas mean further progress in our quest to make our temple the best it can be.

Our discussions last month included the status of our roofing project, our Social Hall's floor, sandblasting of a plaque, and the memorial boards in our sanctuary and plaques housed elsewhere.

Our work is never done. Is work ever done in your personal residence? Please come and join us in improving facilities in our temple home.

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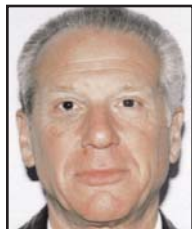
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**BROTHERHOOD SPEAKS**

*by Les Richards*

Shalom everyone,

At the Brotherhood Board meeting on March 8th, the Nominating Committee was tasked with preparing a slate for the 2011-2012 year. Rob Saunders, who ran the Super Bowl pool, reported a donation of \$360, which was later amended to \$400 (thank you, Ellice), and was subsequently presented to the Temple’s “Our Path to The Future” fundraiser. The April meeting featured a presentation of next year’s budget, which will be voted on by the membership at the May dinner meeting.

Brian Katzman and his crew of Jay Jacobson, Richard Slavin, Mike Wolff and Bernie Davidson turned out an Irish-themed corned-beef-and-cabbage dinner on March 22nd. Their efforts paid off with a delicious and plentiful feast. A BIG-BIG thanks to Dave Schuster, on whom we can always count to set up and serve cocktails before and during each dinner. The breakfasts on Sunday mornings (when Religious School is in session) have been tasty, but have officially ended for this school year. THANKS to the many Brotherhood members who get up early on Sunday mornings and prepare food for the Temple membership. Get some rest over the summer, OK? Sol Goldstein, who heads up the Social Action program “Supplies for the Troops”, is still accepting donations (see article at right).

SAVE THE DATE - Sunday, July 24th- Brotherhood is hosting its Annual Summer Flea Market at the Temple. Volunteers are always needed, so if you could devote a couple of hours, it would be much appreciated. Profits from this event help Brotherhood sponsor various projects throughout the year, as well as continue their good works around the Temple. For more information, contact Ben Cernese: [bcernese@pb.net](mailto:bcernese@pb.net).

**BROTHERHOOD SOCIAL ACTION**

The Social Action committee of Brotherhood has been collecting items to send to military personnel who are serving overseas, and recently received a citation from the military for this project, which has been spearheaded by Sol Goldstein. The framed citation can be seen in the Brotherhood showcase in the Temple lobby.

We have collected health aids, reading and writing materials, snacks, playing cards, crossword puzzles, and many other items which cannot be readily obtained in the areas where our military is currently serving. We have obtained the names of Jewish service personnel through the chaplaincy, so we are able to send these packages directly to an individual, rather than a platoon or company; that person then shares the contents of the package with other people, as he or she sees fit.

So far, Brotherhood has shipped 12 packages to Iraq and Afghanistan. The average weight of these packages has been 12 pounds; Brotherhood collects and packs the donations, and pays the shipping.

The carton for donations is in the lobby near the coatroom, and we hope that the congregation will continue to support our troops by donating items.

If you know of an active service person who would like to receive a package, please contact Sol Goldstein at 516-541-7322.

***Deadline for submissions to the B'nai Torah TIMES is the first day of EVERY MONTH.***

## OUR COMMUNITY



### COUPLES' CLUB

*by Vicki and Marty Goldberger,  
Couples' Club Co-Presidents*

Greetings for the month of May – a time of warmer, beautiful weather, and a day to celebrate moms.

We hope that everyone's Pesach found them surrounded by those they love best. Every family has its own traditions, but what's most important is to keep the spirit of this wonderful holiday alive and honor it as best we can. Thanks to Howard Popeck and the TBT PTA, for again offering delicious Passover candy for sale to make it all that much sweeter.

The Our Path to the Future campaign continues. Remember that we are performing much-needed repairs to the heating and cooling system; please give as generously as you can. Just one more quick mention of the wonderful Couples' Club Shabbat service on March 18. We can't help it – we're so proud of all who were there! Thanks to everyone who has reached out to us with kind words that make us feel warm and fuzzy.

We're pleased to report on a successful night of Military Bridge, April 9. Seven tables competed in this annual CC event. Thanks again to Marilyn Pincus, Vicki Deutsch, Beverly Frank and Yolanda Friedman for their special efforts to make this program a big hit.

We are looking forward this month to "Broadway Bound," a cabaret review at Five Towns College on Saturday, May 7 (thanks again to Francine & Richard Tepper for finding this!) and to a CC end-of-year dinner at Hunan Dynasty in Levittown on Saturday, May 21. Many of us will be on hand to assist at the Israeli Bond Breakfast on Sunday, May 1, honoring Rita Hofer and Barbara Gouveia.

Don't forget the Israel Day Parade on Sunday, June 5. We're hoping that Couples' Club will be well represented. Marilyn Block is coordinating the arrangements for us. Please let her know if you will be stepping out with us on this special day.

We were so pleased to see CC Executive Vice-President Mike Frank recently, looking well and cheerful as ever. We know that some of us have been, or will be traveling, soon. We wish you all bon voyage (or welcome back!) and many happy days of enjoying life.

The last CC Board meeting of 2010-2011 will be on May 22 at the home of Brian & Joan Levy. We have submitted ten-

tative dates for CC events in 2011-2012, and will firm things up at the TBT Calendar meeting on May 24. Also, note the date of Wednesday, May 25 for the TBT Annual Congregational Meeting, starting at 7:30 p.m., to elect the 2011-2012 Temple Board.

As always, we encourage all those reading this who are not Couples' Club members to take this opportunity to get to know us and discover for yourselves the great spirit of Couples' Club.

See you next month!

### FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

*by Rob Saunders*

It took a while, but it finally looks a little more like Spring around here than it did 6 weeks ago, when Spring technically started. I hope that you are enjoying the outdoors things that you like but were forced to postpone during the winter months.

Spring is also the season when the Temple invariably starts to wind down its fiscal year, and plan for the next one; this Spring is no exception. The budget committee worked very hard over a 6-month span to come up with a spending plan for next year, and their work will be discussed and voted on by the Congregation at a special meeting planned for Wednesday, May 25 at 7:30 pm. All Temple members in good standing are eligible to vote on the budget, and each half of a married couple gets their own vote. Important decisions about your money will be made at this meeting; please try to attend and vote if you can.

In much the same manner, the Board of Trustees will present its nominated slate of officers and trustees for the next year. Congratulations to Judy Kule on her acceptance of the Presidency, which will become effective on July 1; and to new, incoming VPs Howard Popeck, Shelley Lomove, and Sherrill Spatz, as well as returning VP Charles Kirby, treasurer Craig Field, recording secretary Helaine Schnall, and financial secretary Alan Lazarus. I hope that you will join me in wishing them the best of luck as they collectively steer the ship of Temple B'nai Torah for the next two years. And at the same time, we should also offer our deepest appreciation to soon-to-be immediate past President Barbara Cohen, who did an outstanding job during her tenure, as well as to outgoing VPs Bart Cohen and Jay Baker, both of whom have served admirably, and in a number of capacities, for several years. Your wise counsel will be missed.

**CHAI NOTES**



Special thanks to Mark Kean, who organized the very successful Passover Food Preparation Demonstrations and Workshop, April 11th. Everyone had a nice time and enjoyed the food and new

recipes. Congratulations to Chai Board members Barbara Gouveia and Rita Hofer, who will be honored at the Annual Israeli Bond Breakfast, Sunday, May 1st. Barbara and Rita are most deserving of this honor.

**Spring Schedule:**

Monday, May 2nd, The Paul Joseph Jazz Trio will be entertaining us with a varied and lively program at 7:30 pm in the Kiddush Lounge. Join us for an enjoyable evening of the music of composers Duke Ellington, Cole Porter, Richard Rodgers and Jerome Kern. You'll hear inspiring instrumental jazz renditions of the classics, and many other favorites. The group has performed extensively the past several years, doing a variety of composer-themed programs. Paul Joseph has previously performed all-original solo piano concerts throughout Long Island, featuring works that have received wide critical acclaim in performances by distinguished regional orchestras, ballet companies and choirs. His dynamic rhythm section consists of drummer Mike Corn and bassist Edgar Mills, both seasoned performers.

Monday May 9th, Shelley Lomove and Janis Beldner are leading us on a day trip to Old Westbury Gardens. Tickets are \$7 per person. Speak to Shelley or Janis if interested.

Friday Night, May 20th, we will be in temple for Shabbat Dinner and the Annual Chai Club Service. Don't forget to send back your invitations. If you would like to join us for the Shabbat Meal, please call Rita at 785-5927.

Sunday, May 29th, join us at The Broadhollow Theatre in Elmont for The Pajama Game. Tickets are \$22 per person. Speak to Pearl Sutz, who is organizing this great event.

Monday, June 6th, Nassau County District Attorney Kathleen Rice will be our guest speaker. This very special program will be held in the Social Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 12th, join us with your friends for our annual bus trip to Atlantic City. We will all have breakfast in the Kiddush Lounge before boarding the bus, and snacks, Bingo, and movies will be provided during the trip. Tickets are \$38 for temple members, and \$40 for friends. The Showboat Casino will return \$30 in slot play. Flyers are available at Bingo and in the lobby flyer rack.

We were pleased that the Chai Club was once again able provide light lunches during Cantor Sher's Spring Adventures In Music program. A big thank-you to Rita Hofer and the committee who bought the food and did all the set up and clean up.

Brian Levy, Chai Club President

**Don't Miss the Paul Joseph Jazz Trio,  
7:30 pm, Monday, May 2 in the Kiddush Lounge!**

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### CHAI CLUB SPONSORS A PASSOVER WORKSHOP

*by Mark Kean*

Over forty interested members of Temple B'nai Torah attended the Passover Food Demonstration and Workshop sponsored by the Chai Club on Monday, April 11th, 2011 in the Social Hall. This program, which was designed and run by Mark Kean, had a very strong draw to bring an eclectic group from the Temple: FOOD. This is the first time this type of workshop has been tried at Temple B'nai Torah. Next year we hope to have more and different people present their favorite recipes.

Esther and Jack Phillips demonstrated how they make Sephardic Charoset. Mark Kean, donning goggles and a facemask, made red horseradish. Both made enough for the audience to sample. Pearl Sutz, Barry Lomove, Tessa Kean, Barbara Gouveia, Sarita Keyser and Judy Lichtenstein discussed how they made their favorite Passover recipes, which were given to all in the audience. Some people donated food, but they had another meeting to attend. Other members of the Chai Board also donated food that enhanced the evening.

Shelley Lomove discussed how wine is made kosher for Passover. Brian Levy, Ed Kliegman, and Dorothy Duckstein brought in special Haggadahs. Sol Goldstein showed us unique wine glasses dating from the 1880's, after which a short discussion ensued. Rita Hofer demonstrated different crafts and games that adults and children can create to make the Seder more meaningful and enjoyable.

Everyone who attended received a booklet of all the recipes that were sampled that night, as well as some that we weren't able to discuss. The booklet also contained an article on "What Makes a Wine Kosher?", directions to make a Passover Seder Place Mat, little things you can do to "Pesadik" your home, games for the children, and a skit for Passover.

This program took three to four months' work to develop. Many people helped make this night the huge success that it was. I would like to thank all of them. The pictures taken by Harvey Drucker, below, show the fun and joy shared by all. Watch for information about next year's Passover program, in April, 2012.



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I would like to thank each and every one of you for your outpouring of love for my family and me on the passing of my wife, Charlotte. I don't have to tell you that she was truly a remarkable woman.

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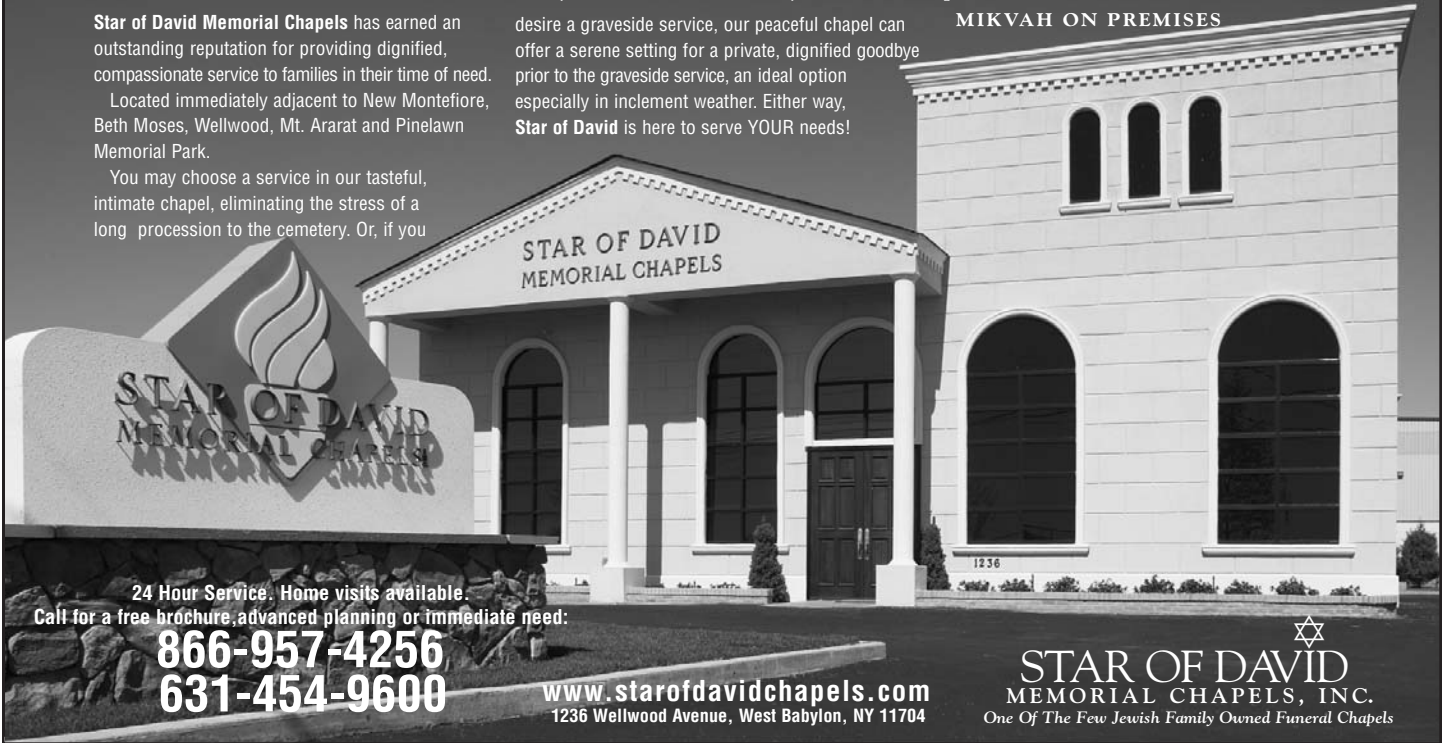
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*Article by Mark Kean*

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Tickets are available for the performance on Sunday, May 29th, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. at the BroadHollow Theatre at Elmont. It is located at 700 Hempstead Turnpike, Elmont, NY 11003 (516-775-4420).

You can drive there by taking the Southern State (West) to the Cross Island Parkway (North). Then take the Cross Island to Exit 26B east – Hempstead Ave. East (becomes Hempstead Turnpike, at the Nassau County border). The BroadHollow Theatre is in the Elmont Memorial Public Library, east of the Home Depot shopping center on Hempstead Tpke).

Tickets are \$22.00; all orders for tickets must be received by Tuesday, April 26th, 2011.

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# EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES - MAY 2011

<b>1 YOM HASHOAH</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:00am Rel. Sch. - 3 Family Class Workshop</li> <li>• 9:30am-12:00pm Israel Bond Breakfast (S/H)</li> <li>• 11:30am Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class (Library)</li> <li>• 12:00pm Youth Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 1:00pm-3:00pm B'nai Mitzvah 2012 Families (Sanctuary &amp; Classrooms)</li> <li>• 6:00pm Cabaret Rehearsal</li> <li>• 7:00pm Yom HaShoah-Congregation Beth El of Massapequa</li> </ul>	<b>2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4:30pm Rel. Sch.</li> <li>• 6:00pm Youth Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 6:30pm Teen Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 7:00pm Hebrew H.S.</li> <li>• 7:00pm Ralli (K/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm TBT Chai Club General (K/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm Adult Choir Reh. (Rm. 101/103)</li> </ul>	<b>3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10:00am AIAnon</li> <li>• 4:30pm Rel. Sch.</li> <li>• 6:30pm-9:00pm S.A.T. (Rm. 206-207-208-209-211)</li> <li>• 7:00pm House Comm. Meeting</li> <li>• 7:30pm Cabaret Rehearsal (Y/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm Brotherhood Bd. (K/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm-9:30pm A Taste of Judaism (Rm. 101-103)</li> <li>• 8:00pm Social Action Comm. Meeting (Library)</li> </ul>	<b>4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10:30am Bingo</li> <li>• 4:30pm Rel. Sch.</li> </ul>	<b>5</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6:00pm-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm Bingo</li> <li>• 7:30pm-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm Ritual Com. Mtg. (Rm. 101/103)</li> </ul>	<b>6</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3:00pm B'nai Mitzvah Rehearsal (Sanctuary)</li> <li>• 6:00pm Shabbat Dinner</li> <li>• 7:30pm Family Serv/Teacher Recg. Shabbat</li> </ul>	<b>7</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:00am Torah Study Group (Admin. Conf. Room)</li> <li>• 10:30am SVCS. 1 B/M</li> <li>• 5:00pm Couples Club Event (Away)</li> <li>• 6:00pm-1:00am 15th B'day (S/H) Rodriguez Family</li> <li>• 7:30pm Couples Club Theatre Party (Away)</li> </ul>
<b>8 Mother's Day</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:00am Rel. Sch.</li> <li>• 11:30am Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class (Library)</li> <li>• 12:00pm Youth Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 6:00pm Cabaret Rehearsal</li> </ul>	<b>9</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10:15am Chai Club-Trip to Old Westbury Gardens (Away)</li> <li>• 4:30pm Rel. Sch.</li> <li>• 6:00pm Youth Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 6:30pm Teen Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 7:00pm Hebrew H.S.</li> <li>• 7:30pm Adult Choir Reh. (Rm. 101/103)</li> </ul>	<b>10 YOM HAZIKARON</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10:00am AIAnon</li> <li>• 4:30pm Rel. Sch.</li> <li>• 6:45pm Sist. Exec. Bd. Meeting Rm. 101-103</li> <li>• 7:30pm Cabaret Rehearsal</li> <li>• 7:30pm Sisterhood Bd. Mtg. (K/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm-9:30pm A taste of Judaism (Rm. 101-103)</li> <li>• 8:00pm Rel. Ed. (Lib.)</li> </ul>	<b>11 YOM HAATZMAUT</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10:30am Bingo</li> <li>• 4:30pm Rel. Sch.</li> </ul>	<b>12</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6:00pm-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm Bingo</li> <li>• 7:30pm-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm- Rick Recht Rehearsal (Rm. 101-103)</li> </ul>	<b>13</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5:30pm Tot Shabbat Service</li> <li>• 8:00pm Israel Independence Shabbat with Rick Recht</li> </ul>	<b>14</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:00am Torah Study Group (Admin. Conf. Room)</li> <li>• 10:30am SVCS. 1 B/M</li> <li>• 1:00pm Couples Club Function (away)</li> <li>• 7:00pm-B/M Party-Geller family (S/H)</li> </ul>
<b>15</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:00am Rel. School</li> <li>• 10:00am-TBT-PTA Meeting</li> <li>• 12:00pm Youth Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 1:30pm Adult Education Class with Rabbi Bellows (Lib)</li> <li>• 3:00pm Bingo/Set up</li> <li>• 6:00pm Cabaret Rehearsal</li> <li>• 6:45pm TRIPLE BINGO</li> </ul>	<b>16</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4:30pm Rel. Sch.- LAST MON. SESSION</li> <li>• 6:00pm Youth Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 6:30pm Teen Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 7:00pm Hebrew H.S.</li> <li>• 7:00pm Bro/General Mtg. Dinner (K/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm Adult Choir Reh. (Rm. 101/103)</li> </ul>	<b>17</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10:00am AIAnon</li> <li>• 4:30pm Rel. Sch. - LAST TUE. SESSION</li> <li>• 7:30pm Cabaret Rehearsal (Y/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm Ritual Committee Meeting (K/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm-9:30pm A Taste of Judaism (Rm. 101-103)</li> </ul>	<b>18</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10:30am Bingo</li> <li>• 4:30pm Rel. Sch.- LAST WED. SESSION</li> </ul>	<b>19</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6:00pm-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm Bingo</li> <li>• 7:30pm-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L)</li> </ul>	<b>20</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3:00pm B'nai Mitzvah Rehearsal (Sanctuary)</li> <li>• 6:00pm Chai Club Dinner (S/H)</li> <li>• 8:00pm Chai Club Shabbat</li> </ul>	<b>21</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:00am Torah Study Group (Admin. Conf. Room)</li> <li>• 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service</li> <li>• NO B/M</li> <li>• 5:30pm Couples Club Dinner (Away)</li> <li>• 8:00pm Ballroom Dance (S/H)</li> </ul>
<b>22 LAG BA'OMER</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:00am Rel. School</li> <li>• 10:30am Couples Club (Away)</li> <li>• LAST SUNDAY REL. SCHL.</li> <li>• 12:00pm Pros Memb Opn Hse (K/L)</li> <li>• 12:00pm Youth Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 6:00pm Cabaret Rehearsal</li> </ul>	<b>23</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NO SCHOOL</li> <li>• 1:00pm-3:00pm Meadow Women's In.-Bk. Study (K/L)</li> <li>• 6:00pm Youth Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 6:30pm Teen Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 7:00pm Sist/ End of Year Dinner (S/H)</li> <li>• 7:30pm Adult Choir Reh. (Rm. 101/103)</li> </ul>	<b>24</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NO SCHOOL</li> <li>• 7:00pm Calendar Meeting (K/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm Cabaret Rehearsal (Y/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm B/M Rehearsal</li> </ul>	<b>25</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NO SCHOOL</li> <li>• 10:30am Bingo</li> <li>• 7:30pm Annual Cong. Mtg. (S/H)</li> </ul>	<b>26</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6:00pm-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L)</li> <li>• 7:30pm Bingo</li> <li>• 7:30pm-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L)</li> </ul>	<b>27</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3:00pm B'nai Mitzvah Rehearsal (Sanctuary)</li> <li>• 8:00pm Services</li> </ul>	<b>28</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:00am Torah Study Group (Admin. Conf. Room)</li> <li>• 10:30am SVCS. 1 B/M</li> <li>• 12:00pm B/M Luncheon (S/H)</li> <li>• 12:00pm-B/M Luncheon-Tanner Family (K/L)</li> </ul>
<b>29</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12:00pm Youth Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 6:00pm Cabaret Rehearsal</li> </ul>	<b>30 Memorial Day</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NO SCHOOL</li> <li>• 10:30am Services 1 B/M Goldberg/Mednick</li> <li>• OFFICE CLOSED</li> <li>• 12:00pm B/M Luncheon-Party Mednick Family (S/H)</li> <li>• 6:30pm Teen Choir Reh. (San.)</li> <li>• 7:30pm Adult Choir Reh. (Rm. 101/103)</li> </ul>	<b>31</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10:00am AIAnon</li> <li>• NO SCHOOL</li> <li>• 6:45pm Exec. Bd. Meeting Rm 101-103</li> <li>• 7:30pm Cabaret Rehearsal (Y/L)</li> <li>• 7:45pm Bd. of Trustees (K/L)</li> </ul>	<h2 style="margin: 0;">May 2011</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">Temple B'nai Torah</h3> <p style="margin: 0;">For the most up to date information</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Go To</p> <p style="margin: 0;"><a href="http://www.temple-bnai-torah.org">www.temple-bnai-torah.org</a></p>			

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