

TEMPLE BETH O'R/BETH TORAH **BETH REPORTER**

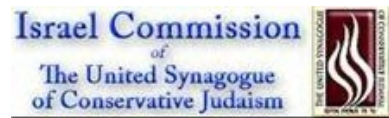
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MAY 2012

MA'A LOT - TAKING STEPS TOWARDS INCREASING ISRAEL AWARENESS,
A PROGRAM OF THE USG ISRAEL COMMISSION IN PARTNERSHIP WITH NEFESH B'NEFESH"



You are invited to
CAFÉ IVRIT



Sunday, May 20, 10:00 am to noon

EXPERIENCE ISRAEL (EAT, DANCE, TAKE IN THE SIGHTS AND SOUNDS, DISCUSS)
WITH OUR HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE STUDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN THERE.

RSVP TO THE TEMPLE OFFICE BY MAY 11.

This event is supported by the 2011-2012 Ma'a lot Grant received by TBO/BT.

TBO/BT Inaugural Testimonial Dinner

Thursday, June 7, 2012 at 7:00 pm

The First Annual



L'Chaim Awards

will be presented to

Dr. Margaret McMenamin, President of Union County College,
And to

Dr. Sanford & Arlene Fineman

Founders of "Yes, We Care Soup Kitchen"

*for their personal and professional commitment to improving
the quality of life in our community and to Tikun Olam.*

**A formal cocktail reception will precede the testimonial dinner.
Congregants are encouraged to support this fundraising event.**

For more information and to RSVP please see the enclosed invitation.

FROM THE CANTOR



If the truth must be told, I do have an addiction problem, of sorts. No it's not alcohol, nor G-d forbid, anything that serious. It is rather an addiction to that little gadget we refer to as "the remote." Sit me down on a comfortable sofa

opposite a large plasma TV and put a remote control device in my hand with the ability to access numerous channels, and I'm hooked. I can spend hours upon hours watching, searching, watching some more, and then searching yet more, and before you know it, the day, and the evening, are long past.

Luckily, I've developed reasonably successful strategies to deal with this problem, having to do with limiting channel access and screen size, but I do allow myself to enjoy the programs I watch, and one that I manage to catch regularly is the 60 Minutes newsmagazine broadcast on Sunday evenings. Now, I should perhaps be forgiven if when I tuned in to CBS this past Sunday (April 22), and heard that the next 60 Minutes segment was to be about the plight of Christians in the Middle East, I immediately surmised that the report was on the Copts in Egypt, or the Christians in Saudi Arabia, Iraq or Iran. Instead, to my great dismay, viewers were treated to a 14-minute, yes, "hatchet job" by correspondent Bob Simon. Given his previous reporting on Israel and the Middle East, I should not really have been so surprised, but it is important not to let one's cynicism get too far out of hand. While expecting an objective and fair story, what was shown was, in the words of Israeli Ambassador to the US, Michael Oren, outrageous. It was "completely incomprehensible that at a time when these communities, Christian communities throughout the Middle East, are being oppressed and massacred, when churches are being burnt, when one of the great stories in history is unfolding, that 60 Minutes would focus on Christians in Israel."

And then David Brog, executive director of Christians United for Israel declared that it is "incomprehensible for CBS to focus on one Christian population that is not actually shrinking and blame its troubles on the steps Israel is taking to protect itself from these same Islamic terrorists" who target Arab Christians.

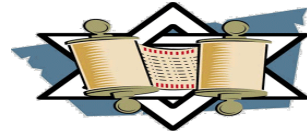
I don't pretend to be an expert on Middle East politics, and in any case, reasonable and fair-minded people can disagree about this or that Israeli policy, but when this embattled nation is consistently singled out for criticism, and the broader regional context is overlooked, ignored, or distorted, it is frustrating and upsetting. Will I continue to watch 60 minutes? I suspect that I will, just as I continue to read the NY Times even though I have in the past been angered by its coverage. But I will also continue to let them know when they mislead and present biased portraits concerning Israel. Will it make a difference? Perhaps, and perhaps not, but I am still obligated to voice my objections. And I hope that all viewers, regardless of religious

background, will do so as well.

B'Shalom,

Cantor Steven Stern

Adapted from the Cantor's Dvar Torah of Shabbat Tazria-Metzora



HOLIDAY CELEBRATION!

TIKKUN LEIL SHAVUOTH

A NIGHT OF LEARNING

SATURDAY, MAY 26, @ 8:15 P.M.

Join us at the Bayit

(117 John Street)

*for an enchanted evening of prayers,
Toray study, and dairy desserts.*

RSVP 732 381 8403 Tbethor@gmail.com

What's Up for Shabbat in May?

Dress Down Shabbat

Come casual for our Shabbat services on Friday and Saturday, May 18 & 19.

Saturday Kiddush will be sponsored by the Dorsch family in honor of Ilana's birthday and Andrew's being chosen as a finalist in the Man-O-Manischewitz competition.

Simcha Shabbat

We will celebrate all birthdays and anniversaries in the month of May on Friday, May 25. Come for a blessing and share your simcha with the TBO/BT family!

Book Discussion :June 3, 10am

We will be discussing "*A Pigeon and a Boy*" by Meir Shalev.

Are you missing out?

If you are not currently on the TBO/BT email list, please notify the office and you'll begin to receive timely information each week about our exciting programs that will keep you in the loop.

Don't miss out!

FROM THE PRESIDENTS



On Thursday evening June 7 at 7:00 pm we are inaugurating our L'Chayim award. The goal of this award is to honor those in our community who in their professional and

personal life are committed to improving the quality of life in our greater community. In a word, we are honoring three honorable mentchen, who are doing just that.

Our honorees are Dr. Margaret McMenamin, president of Union County College, and Dr. Sonny and Arleen Fineman, founders of "Yes, We Care Soup Kitchen."

Dr. McMenamin has devoted her professional life to improving post High School educational opportunities

TBO/BT Community gathers together to celebrate 1st Night Seder

On an exceptional Shabbat Friday evening, April 6th, 70 people forged a meaningful bond as they celebrated Pesach together in our temple's Youth Lounge. Our own Cantor Steven Stern led the Seder, at times joking, at times chanting, and at times inviting attendees to read selected passages from the pages of the Haggadah.

Dozens of members of the congregation were present with their families, and many new faces joined the congregants. Ritual Committee VP Fern and husband Joseph Cammy's family came together and, as is instructed in the Haggadah, their youngest son, Alex, read the Four Questions, the pillars of the service. Most of the Seder was spent answering the four questions, explaining "What makes this night different from all other nights?" We spoke of the bitterness of slavery, the sweetness of redemption and the cleansing of that first generation before the Jewish people were permitted to enter the land of Israel.

The Cantor also spent time explaining the meaning of the passage dealing with the Good Son, the Wicked Son, the Lazy Son, and the Son too Young to Ask. He pointed out that these are actually aspects of personality found within each of us.

Fern & Joe Cammy, Barbara James, Cantor Stern, Julia, Yakov & Alex Vinokourov and others volunteered in preparations, serving the festive meal which followed the reading of the Haggadah, and clean up. It was a traditional, delicious Seder dinner. Everyone felt engaged in and uplifted by the Seder, and all left with a full stomach and the anticipation of 8 days of reflection and yes, more matzoh!

for a wide spectrum of students. She has been an innovative force in the county college system throughout the State of New Jersey. Dr. McMenamin is making a profound difference in educational life in Union County.

Our own Sonny and Arleen Fineman founded "Yes, We Care Soup Kitchen" twenty years ago. The soup kitchen provides food to the poor and working poor in Elizabeth.

On a weekly basis the Kitchen has provided hundreds of adults and children an opportunity to prepare the food to be distributed and to fulfill two important mitzvahs - acts of chesed, kindness, and tikun olam, repairing the world.

Please come out on June 7th to honor these three honorable mentchen.

Lillian and Thelma

CONGREGATION MEETING

will be held on

Monday, May 14 at 7:30 pm

The Slate of Officers for the fiscal year 2012/2013 will be presented.

Thank you - תודה רבה

Janie & Jonathan Phillips would like to thank the temple family for the well wishes on the engagement of their daughter Samantha to Daniel.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to **Mitch James** for taking on the enormous job, saw in hand, of tending to the trees on our property.

We thank **Mariela** for her hard work in kashering both kitchens, and preparing and working at our Passover Seder.



Two bonus screenings in the Rialto Theater in Westfield at 7:30 pm.

Wednesday, May 2 - "Nicky's Family" (The rescue of 669 Czech & Slovak children just before the outbreak of the World War II)

Thursday, May 17 - "Mabul" (The Flood) (Complications ensue for the Rosko family when Yoni's autistic brother returns home just before his Bar Mitzvah).

For ticket info call 908-889-8800 x 208.



SISTERHOOD PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The end of the year is almost upon us. Sisterhood will have its final board meeting on Monday May 7. Our gala Donor Event will be held Thursday May 31 at 6:00 PM. Sebley Hausler has been hard at work to bring us an exciting evening. Hopefully everyone attended the Close-the-Books and Ice Cream Social on April 25 and paid any outstanding balances. If you still

have questions about your donor credit, please contact Esther Schlesinger (732-548-7132). Remember to RSVP after you receive your Donor Event invitation and we hope to see many of you there.

The incoming presidium (which, in all honesty is the same as in the past two years) will be making calls to fill board positions. Please, if you receive a call to serve in some capacity say yes. Those of us who have been in elected positions, and those who have served on the board for many years are wearing out. We need new people with new ideas to get our blood circulating again. Help us infuse more life into Sisterhood TBO/BT.

On Sunday, March 25, Sebley Hausler was honored by the Garden State Region of Women's League for her efforts for Torah Fund. In addition to serving as a regional Torah Fund chairperson, Sebley has been our own Sisterhood's Torah Fund chairperson for many years, and we have consistently exceeded our goals. Yasher Koach, Sebley.

On May 27 and 28 the holiday of Shavuot will be celebrated, and Jews all over the world will renew our acceptance of the Torah. The word *Shavuot* means "weeks." It marks the completion of the seven-week counting period between Passover and Shavuot. *Shavuot* also means "oaths," for on this day G-d swore eternal devotion to us, and we in turn pledged everlasting loyalty to Him. It is customary to stay up all night learning Torah on the first night of Shavuot. All men, women and children should go to the synagogue on the first day of Shavuot to hear the reading of the Ten Commandments. It is customary to eat dairy foods on Shavuot. Among other reasons, this commemorates the fact that upon receiving the Torah, including the kosher laws, the Jewish people could not cook meat in their pots, which had yet to be rendered kosher. On the second day of Shavuot, the Yizkor memorial service is recited. The other members of the Presidium join me in wishing everyone Chag Sameach.

Louise Cangelosi

Vouchers:

Shoprite, Pathmark and A&P vouchers are available at Sisterhood functions, and in the temple office.

Golden Books

To send a Golden Book for any occasion, call:
Joan Oberman (732-381-4322)
Evie Shulman (908-276-6894)
Betty Needleman (908-389-0911)

Cards are sent for \$3.00 and you will receive \$1.50 donor credit, or pick up a pack of 10 cards for \$20.00 with \$10.00 donor credit and send them yourself. They can be picked up from the office.

Please call Esther Schlesinger (732-548-7132) to find out your balance and send money to 9 Pine Ridge Dr., Edison, NJ 08820.

Special Fund

Donations to Special Fund can be made for any occasion for a minimum donation of \$5.00. You will receive 100% donor credit.

To send a beautiful Special Fund card call:
Fern Cammy (732-549-2652).

*Please join us for a festive evening
including dinner buffet and
Entertainment by "The Nudnik's"
at our*

54th DONOR DINNER EVENT
Thursday, May 31 at 6:00PM

GOLDEN BOOKS

MAZEL TOV

To: Dr. Di Millman . Happy Special Birthday
From: Fern & Joe Cammy, Helene & Michael Miller,
Malvina & Tom Kohn, Claudia & Andrew Dorsch
To: Diane & Michael Goldstein on Amanda's engagement to Eliezer Bushman
From: Helene & Michael Miller, Claudia & Andrew Dorsch,
Sebley & Bill Hausler, Julia & Yakov Vinokurov
To: Florence Bernstein on the engagement of her granddaughter
From: Adeline & Arthur Gesten
To: Steven Bloom in memory of his grandfather
From: Adeline & Arthur Gesten

ISRAELI DANCE for beginners

Tuesday Nights

True beginners at 7:00 pm,
advanced beginners/intermediate 7:45 pm
\$9.00 per class/ \$40 prepaid for 5
Proceeds go to TBO/BT



JUDAICA SHOP NEWS

Come and see our wonderful
Judaica items!

The Judaica Shop has some lovely new items: new mug and coaster sets, a tzedakah box shaped like the Eldridge Street Shul, and a beautiful photo album. There are several new mezuzahs. We also have a new supply of "meat" and "dairy" oven mitts. Remember to make the TBO/BT Judaica Shop your first stop for any gift needs. If you don't see what you want, please call Diane Goldstein (908-241-0509) or email her at cowsndlg@aol.com, or contact Louise Cangelosi (732-634-3019) or email her at lgc@comcast.net.

SHOP SMART. *do good!*
A FUNDRAISING SHOPPING EVENT

Sisterhood invites you to purchase a ticket for the Do Good Fundraising Event at the Westfield Lord & Taylor on Tuesday, May 1

Cost: \$5 per ticket – includes

- 25% coupon good on one regular or sale priced ladies' sportswear, dresses, suits
- 25% coupon on one regular or sale priced item in Men's
- 20% bonus coupon on one regular or sale priced item
- 15% coupon good all day on purchases including cosmetics and fragrances

Tickets available

- in the temple office
- from Judy Hurok, 908-654-4448
- or online using the pulldown tab for Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah Sisterhood at <http://www.lordandtaylor.com/eng/NewsEvents/dogoodshop.cfm>

Presale at Lord & Taylor Westfield begins on April 22nd! Beat the crowd and shop for your favorite items. Items will be held for your pickup on or after May 1st.

PROPOSED SLATE FOR SISTERHOOD 2011 – 2012

Presidium: Diane Goldstein & Helene Davis,
Louise Cangelosi, Sebley Hausler, Esther
Schlesinger
Executive Vice-President - open
Membership Vice-President - Joleen Fridson
Program Vice President - open
Standing Ways & Means/ Special Functions Vice
President - Louise Cangelosi
Treasurer - Judy Hurok
Assistant Treasurer - Betty Needleman
Financial Secretary - Sebley Hausler
Recording/Corresponding Secretary - Iris Weiner

Respectfully submitted by Diane Goldstein,
Nominating Committee Chair

TBO SISTERHOOD CALENDAR 2012-2013

BIRTHDAYS - ANNIVERSARIES - Yahrzeits - BUSINESS LISTINGS



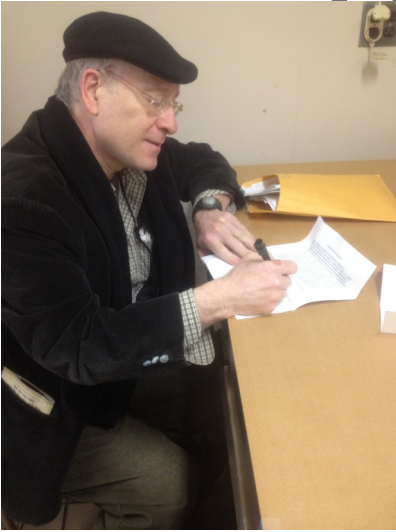
NEW THIS YEAR—Yahrzeit Listings

**COST (same as last year): \$10.00 – for six(6) listings;
additional listings @ 50 cents each; Business Ads—\$49
extra calendars are \$2.00 each**

Please call **Debbie Freedman** at (908)-232-8773 to renew listings/ads or
new listings and for correct yahrzeit dates.

Deadline - May 17.

Happenings at TBO/BT



Cantor prepares contract for sale of chometz before Passover



Di Millman helps prepare the Kiddush in honor of her birthday



Burning the last remnants of chometz



The TBO/BT Community Seder was a big success and was enjoyed by all.
(Above photos were taken before sundown and the start of the Seder.)



Morning Minyan on Rosh Hodesh Iyar

Happenings at TBO/BT



Elaine & Thelma with Cantor at Board of Ed. Meeting



Roberta & Audrey at work on the Membership Directory



Michael E. Miller helps out at the office



Julia enjoys a well deserved pause at the office



Book Club



At the TBO/BT Community Passover Seder



Hebrew School & Yaldeinu educating our Youth



Minyanaires enjoy their bagels at the first post-Pesach breakfast

G O M I N G S O O N !

May Regional Event: Closing Dance in Metuchen on May 12th.

A C T I O N R E Q U I R E D :

Clear your calendar and plan now to attend Encampment this August. Details to follow. It is an unbelievable week.

L O O K I N G A H E A D !

IC 2012 will be in Boston in December. Start planning now to attend.

H A P P Y B I R T H D A Y T O :

Ilana D.—May 2 nd

Alex C.—May 12th

Y A S H E R K O A C H T O :

Alex C. for his outstanding leading role performance as Edna Turnblad in JFK Memorial H.S.'s production of "Hairspray". Alex is one very talented young man!

Y O U R F E A R L E S S L E A D E R S

Dan B.—Pres., Alex C. – Rel/Ed & Exec./IA V.P., Ilana D.—SATO V.P., Steven L.—Freshman Rep and Barbara James—Advisor.

CHECK IT OUT: CLUSY has a new display of photos on the bulletin board in the temple hallway celebrating USY's "60" years. Come on in and see it.



BENJAMIN EVERETT FRIES BAR MITZVAH



Benjamin Fries will become a Bar Mitzvah on May 12, 2012. He is in 7th grade at Hillside Avenue Middle School in Cranford.

Benjamin loves playing lacrosse, baseball and basketball. He has been on local and travel teams for many years. Benjamin also enjoys going to the movies, playing video games and spending time with his family and friends.

Morning Minyan Update!

Our morning Minyan serves our temple community by providing us with a place to pray and say Kaddish for those in mourning and those commemorating a yahrzeit. It's there for us when we need it. Will you do your part to insure that it continues to thrive? Join us for one morning a week, or at least whenever you can. Breakfast is included, so we feed both the body and soul. Thank you!

In the month of May Morning Minyan will be held in Cranford

Monday & Thursday – 6:50 am, Tuesday, Wed., & Friday – 7:00 am, Sundays & Holidays - 9:00 am in Clark. Evening Services are held every day at 7:30 pm in Cranford.

MOTHER'S DAY TRIBUTE CARDS

"A mother is the truest friend we have" ..(Washington Irving)



It is never too early to think about honoring the mothers in your life.

Send a TBO/BT tribute card for Mother's Day at \$18.00 each.

Fill out the form inserted in this reporter

FROM THE MEN'S CLUB PRESIDENT



Men's Club moves towards the close of our year in June. As a member of this temple and Men's Club for over thirty years, I have observed many people coming through the doors of our humble home. Some have left us, some have passed, all are missed, but

those who have joined us and those that have remained with us to participate in our Temple are a hearty lot.

When something has to be accomplished, call the Men's Club. That's not an idle wish. A few times in the past months someone called for an evening minyan for a remembrance and we made it happen. A little help here, a little help there and we try to get done what's needed. Do we ask anything from the Temple (other than a room to meet, maybe a mention during Shabbos' announcements)? NO. We participate because we want to. I have viewed my job as Men's Club president as continuing this process and helping it continue for the good of the organization and the Temple.

Yom Hashoa candles were distributed to our members in April and the following good men helped in their distribution:

Bob Kolker organized the distribution and packed the out of town mailers,
Mike W. Miller found drivers and did Westfield,
Dick Lavroff did Edison and 2/3 Clark,
Howard Silverman did 1/3 Clark,
Dennis Berry did Scotch Plains and Fanwood,
Stuart Sherman did Linden,
Bill Hausler did Rahway,
Mike Vogel did Colonia,
Mike Roth did Union and Springfield,
Mike Goldstein did Roselle & Elizabeth,
Theo Moreines did Cranford.

Thank you. Your contributions help continue the support of this Worldwide program.

At our April meeting, our nominations committee, chaired by Mike W. Miller, presented a slate which will be emailed to all of our members to be voted on at our May meeting on

Got a Simcha?

Birthday? Anniversary? Graduation? New grandchild?

Commemorate a Yahrzeit?

**Host a Kiddush at TBO/BT. You can sponsor the entire Kiddush or be a co-sponsor with a donation of \$18 or more.
Contact Julia at 732-381-8403 x11 or tbethor@gmail.com.**

May 10th. Those who wish to serve on next year's board, please contact Mike W. Miller.

We prepare for the regional Presidential Dinner TBA and the Regional Retreat June 1-3 at Bloch and Hexter in the Poconos.

Mike Goldstein, our ritual VP planned our Men's Club Shabbos on April 28th. A thank you to Mike and Bill Hausler for the Kiddush preparations.

Men's Club Upcoming Events:

- Our monthly meeting and annual elections, May 10th
- We are again planning a Game Night, May 24th
- In June we will attend, as a group, the NNJR President's Dinner TBA
- The Regional Retreat in June 1-3

The purpose of Men's Club is to serve as an arm of the Temple by putting on programs on topics of interest to our members, the men of the temple and any other interested parties. We have programs on men's health, the environment, religious programs and general interest programs. If you are not a member, please join. If you have ideas or suggestions, please contact me.

Harvin Freedman, hefcpa@aol.com

MEMBERSHIP PHONE DIRECTORY

With kosher recipes and recommended services



Please fill in the form inserted in this Reporter so we have your updated information for the Directory.

Please send your favorite kosher recipes and recommended services to the temple office by email (tbethor@gmail.com), mail, or drop them off.

GRADUATION SHABBAT

Saturday, June 16, 9:30 am

Festive Oneg will follow the services. Please let the office know of our young members graduating from high school, college, graduate or professional schools.

ARAD AND ALAN PERFECT TOGETHER

By Alan Rubin

As many times as I have gone to Israel it is always with great anticipation that I look forward to the upcoming trip. But this last trip was unique; I was going alone. Not on a Federation mission or with family, just me, alone. I had no fear but really only a limited idea of what to expect. I was going as a volunteer to Arad, a city of 24,000 people at the northern edge of the Negev, 25 miles east of Be'er Sheva, 85 miles south of Tel Aviv, only 10 miles west of Masada and the Dead Sea and 35 miles south of Jerusalem (as the crow flies but double that by road to avoid going through Palestinian territory). In other words, in the middle of nothing.

I had been in Arad twice, to pick up goodies for Steven's and Scott's bar mitzvahs on Masada. But I will admit to remembering nothing of those visits.

The population is about the same as Rahway but there are NO traffic lights, ZERO, in the entire city. As I think back, that is amazing. Arad is a planned city established only 50 years ago (I almost forget Israel is only 64 years old) criss-crossed with landscaped median divided main thoroughfares and landscaped circles at the intersections. Even the sidewalks are made with different colors of paving blocks and mostly well landscaped. Pedestrians always have the right-of-way at designated crosswalks and traffic flows smoothly (with only a fraction of the number of vehicles as in Tel Aviv as I saw later). It is obvious I was impressed.

Arad is the central part of a partnership with New Jersey and Delaware federations that works to improve the quality of life for people in the region. One way is to encourage business and industries to locate in Arad; another way is person-to-person contact with Jews from the diaspora. That is my function.

First, let me tell you about my accommodations. The Partnership maintains a furnished 2-bedroom apartment for the use of volunteers (I'm still looking for the third bedroom mentioned in the Jewish News "advertisement"). It is in a residential area some distance from the center of the city. This provided ample opportunity for walking, which I did extensively, 1,000 percent more than I do at home. Ruthie Dan-Gur, the most helpful project director, showed me how to use the range and microwave; I told her I did not expect to turn these appliances on and I did not. (I did however use the refrigerator.)

On my first Shabbat in Arad I attended services at the only Conservative temple. It was sad. I overslept and got there about 10:30 fully expecting at least an hour more service but they were very close to finishing. There were only eight people, 3 couples plus 2 more women. No leader, just prayers recited from their seats. They graciously allowed me to lead the Kiddush. But they are trying to survive. I understand there are Orthodox congregations as I passed many black-hatters in my walks through the city.

My primary function was in a school to help students learning English. I worked with third and fourth graders. The difference in expertise among the students was tremendous, I don't know if that's unique to learning a new language. I was usually assigned one to four children but I was most helpful in a one-on-one situation. This allowed me to relate to the student in a very positive way enabling me to really help.

The teaching method is to compare pictures to English words but the words chosen sometimes baffled me. They were not what I would consider words as part of a limited vocabulary; words like: alligator, clown, guard, ambulance, helicopter, van and vet (for veterinarian). For instance the equivalent pictures for vet were a bird cage and a dog cage (as in transporting). The picture for teacher was a computer screen and keyboard (sign of the times?).

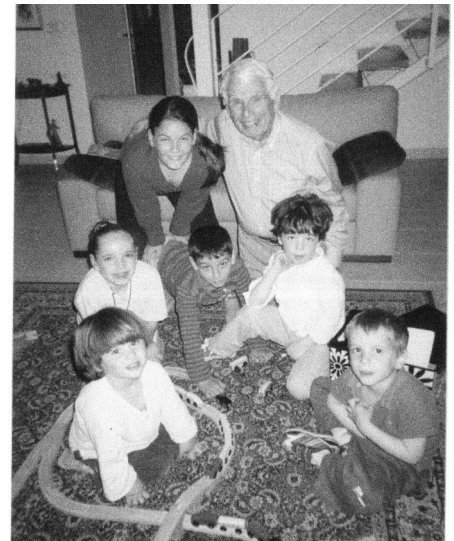
The school day was usually 8 AM to 1 or 1:30 PM. Some students then stayed for lunch and further study until 3:30. I had to assume (could not get a straight answer) this was like after-school day-care although teaching was involved. I had some of my best sessions from 1:30 to 3:30. The lunch was buffet-style and tasty (chicken, naturally), I ate with the kids then usually one-on-one until 3:30.

The building I worked in was part of a 2 or 3 building complex surrounded by a guarded locked fence with security personnel to monitor everyone entering. But, I suppose most, if not all, schools in America are also locked to prevent unauthorized entrance.

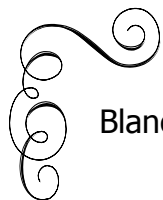
I also spent two mornings at a senior center. They can handle about 70 people at any one time but usually about 45 – 50 come on any particular day. There are about 90 members. They pay according to their income, \$4 per day and up including meals. Some come for 7 AM breakfast, all have lunch at 1 PM and leave by bus at 2 PM.

I spent time with Shoshana from Yemen and Leah and Rachel from Libya, articulate English-speaking ladies. Their routine (only a handful took part) was first a discussion of the morning's newspapers led by a professional then a strenuous exercise session (also led by a staff member) while sitting in a chair; I was exhausted trying to participate. Then some went to arts and crafts, a rather full morning.

But I must admit the icing on the cake for me was the two weekends I spent with cousins in Kiryat Ono, a suburb of Tel Aviv. We became "aware" of these relatives about 25 years ago when they spent some time in the US. Since then we have been in constant contact, regularly by phone and always visiting when in Israel; of course, they were at the boys' bar mitzvahs. Their family has now expanded to eight grandchildren and they were all in attendance on my last Saturday, I flew home that night. I can't begin to explain my joy and happiness with that family. I was thrilled.



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THE TBO/BT FAMILY EXTENDS MAZEL TOV TO:
Helaine & Arnold Fries on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Benjamin

Blanche Mandel on the marriage of her granddaughter Risa Greenspan to Harris Eisenstein

Michael & Diane Goldstein on the engagement of their daughter

Amanda to Eliezer Bushman

Florence Bernstein on the engagement of her granddaughter Lauren Bernstein to Eric Murphy

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Judy Rubin

**WE GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS MADE TO
TBO/BT DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL:**

(To make a donation in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special occasion, call the temple office at
732-381-8403x11 or email tbethor@gmail.com.)

Yahrzeit Fund

Joseph Green	Esther Rubinstein
Bonnie Altman	Adele Pressman
Herbert Hymanson	Marvin Edelman
Shirley Coppleson	Elaine Kolker
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Claire Warech	Alan Genser
Sylvia Coen	Adeline Gesten
Seymour Vogel	Eva Silbert
Anna Vaidman	Carla Rockliff
Michael & Suzanne Miller	Edward Plymack
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Gene & Dennis Berry and Jane & Sheldon Halper
Di & Arthur Millman, Lorraine & Milton Loshin



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can now be seen online
at www.bethorbethtorah.org.
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As a final note I did get to the Wall on the middle Friday and took the tunnel tour which I had never experienced. It was awesome. The next weekend my cousin took me to Tel Aviv and Jaffa to get a different flavor of Israel (traffic jams, etc). Arad, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv – so different but in some ways so alike.

People have asked me if I'm glad I went, my answer is a resounding YES. I had for a long time wanted to participate in this volunteer program; I am extremely pleased I was able to do it.

May

Happy Anniversary!

Alan & Wendy Mandelbaum
Alan & Judy Rubin
Michael & Laurie Saks
Jay & Esther Schlesinger
Joel & Barbara Seltzer
Allan & Rayna Warner





Happy Birthday!

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Alex Cammy	Ian Muhlgeier
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We thank you.

May 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:00p Israeli Dancing 9 Iyar	2 10 Iyar	3 11 Iyar	4 7:38p 8:00p Services Special Adults 12 Iyar	5 9:30a Services Co-Sponsored by Sylvia Lipson 13 Iyar
6 9:00a Morning Minyan 14 Iyar	7 8:00p Sisterhood Board Meeting 15 Iyar	8 7:00p Israeli Dancing 16 Iyar	9 17 Iyar	10  LAG B'OMER 8:00p Men's Club Meeting 18 Iyar	11 7:45p 8:00p Services 19 Iyar	12 9:30a Services Benjamin Fries Bar Mitzvah 20 Iyar
13 9:00a Morning Minyan MOTHER'S DAY 21 Iyar	14 7:30p Congregation Meeting 8:00p TBO/BT Board Meeting 22 Iyar	15 7:00p Israeli Dancing 23 Iyar	16 8:00p Ritual Meeting 24 Iyar	17 25 Iyar	18 7:51p 8:00p Services DRESS DOWN SHABBAT 26 Iyar	19 9:30a Services DRESS DOWN SHABBAT Sponsored by the Dorsch Family 27 Iyar
20  9:00a Morning Minyan 10:00a Cafe Ivrit YOM YERUSHALAYIM 28 Iyar	21 29 Iyar	22 7:00p Israeli Dancing 1 Sivan	23 2 Sivan	24 7:00p Men's Club Game Night 3 Sivan	25 7:58p 8:00p Services SIMCHA SHABBAT 4 Sivan	26 9:30a Services 8:15p Tikkun Leil EREV SHAVUOT 5 Sivan
27  9:00a Services SHAVUOT 1ST DAY 6 Sivan	28  9:30a Services 11:00a Yizkor MEMORIAL DAY SHAVUOT 2ND DAY 7 Sivan	29 7:00p Israeli Dancing 8 Sivan	30 9 Sivan	31 6:00p Sisterhood Donor Dinner 10 Sivan		

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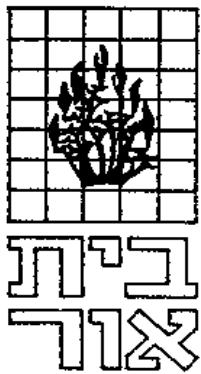
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This Directory will honor the arms of the temple: Men's Club, Sisterhood and United Synagogue Youth for their efforts and dedication to the TBO/BT family.

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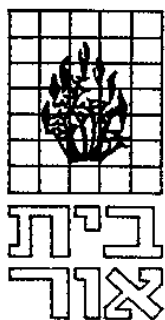
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