

KOL EMANU-EL

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Change Is in the Air

Change is in the air... never has this been truer. And the rate of change is accelerating in the Jewish world as rapidly as everywhere else. Across the country,



the Jewish press reports daily that our decades-old institutions are changing their governance, merging with others, and even changing their mission – not just to survive, but to

be more relevant today and into the future. As you know, in our own Rhode Island community, three of our largest Jewish agencies have recently merged and are re-engineering themselves to provide better and more effective programs and services.

Our national umbrella organization, the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism (USCJ), which represents over 600 Conservative congregations around the world, has recently approved a strategic plan that will significantly change how its members carry out their mission at a time when affiliation numbers are trending in the wrong direction. Many Conservative congregations, including some in our area, are struggling to keep their doors open.

Here at Temple Emanu-El, we are much more fortunate. We continue to have superior activities, well-attended services, and strong programming for all ages. Daily, our clergy and staff are helping our members fulfill their emotional, intellectual, and spiritual needs. But we cannot rest on our laurels. A discouraging national trend teaches us that half of all Jews do not step inside a synagogue. We need to understand what is preventing them from doing so and provide an open door to our warm Jewish community. This will be crucial for Temple Emanu-El, as we are not keeping pace with the loss of our older members. And yes, a practical result of this is our budget becoming a bit tighter each year.

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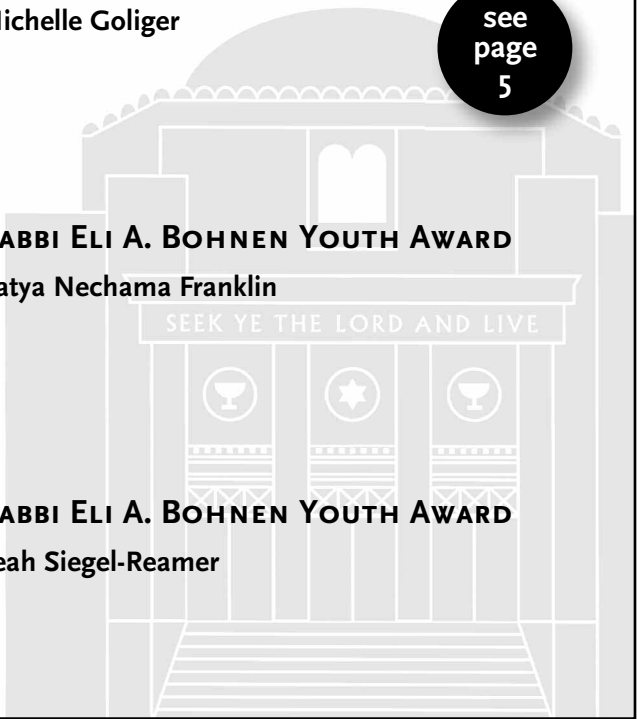
Batya Nechama Franklin



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Leah Siegel-Reamer

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As I now begin my second year serving as your president, I look forward to working with our officers and board to continue evaluating our approach. For example, we have begun to explore new models of membership dues that will allow us to meet the needs of both existing and new congregants, as well as the financial needs of the synagogue.

We will continue to ask what changes will help us grow and serve the needs of our Temple community. Change can be challenging, so I ask for your patience, your support, and your involvement in helping us move forward.

Shalom,

– MARK R. FEINSTEIN, PRESIDENT

p.s. June 30th marked the end of our fiscal year. Thank you to all members whose payments arrived at the Temple office in time to be counted in the 2011 fiscal year. For those of you who still have to complete your payments or give an annual fund gift, please do so during the month of July. It may not count for our past fiscal year, it will however be appreciated and counted in Fiscal Year 2012.

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In Our Temple Family

S'mahot

Libby and Steven Peiser announce the birth of their granddaughter, Josie Madeline Barrer, daughter of Amy and Adam Barrer.

Evelyn and Alan Brier announce the birth of their grandson, Joshua Brier Friedman, son of Rachel and Keith Friedman.

Robert and Enid Presser announce the birth of their grandson, Elias Solomon Presser, son of Seth and Ashley Presser.

Estelle Klemer announces the birth of her great-grandson, Nathan Joseph Sacerdote, son of David and Dorothy Sacerdote.

In Memoriam

Sylka Singer, wife of Phillip Singer; mother of Dr. Ira, Evan, and Bryna Singer; and sister of Melvin Steinberg

Charlotte Marcus, mother of Michael and David Marcus

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FISCAL YEAR ENDS

As you know, our Temple Fiscal year ended on June 30th. The majority of Temple payments, such as the ones listed below, are usually in to the Temple office by February.

- ✓ Current and previous year's membership
- ✓ Fundraising pledges
- ✓ School payments
- ✓ Program fees
- ✓ Youth group dues
- ✓ Leisure Club dues
- ✓ Building Fund payments
- ✓ Capital Campaign pledges

It is the last \$200,000 or so that comes in after February that makes or breaks the

Memorial Plaques

dedicated on the second day of Shavu'ot

June 9, 2011 – 7 Sivan 5771

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Ester Grusko, mother of Zinaida Nakhlis and Faina Tkachenko

Temple budget. Many congregants pay their bill on a monthly incremental basis. Others wait until the last month or so to pay their bill and for some of you, paying a large bill at the end of the year presents a financial hardship.

If you see this might be the case for your household, please contact me in the Temple office early in the year so we can begin to arrange for a payment plan that benefits your household finances and the Temple budget.

Thank you and have a great summer.

– GERSHON A. LEVINE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

FROM RABBI JOEL SELTZER

“Learning – learning – learning: that is the secret of Jewish survival.”

– AHAD HAAM

I wanted to take this opportunity to publicly reflect on the educational year here at Temple Emanu-El; and what a year it has been! First, we must note the generosity of the Koffler-Bornstein families, whose Institute of Jewish Studies here at Temple Emanu-El has long been the premier destination for Jewish learning in our region. This year we had some 146 participants partake in our Fall offerings, with an additional 25 people going on a special field trip to Touro Synagogue to hear an impressive presentation by Keith Stokes. Especially exciting this year was our partnership with Temple Am David in Warwick, and we are pleased that we will continue to partner with our friends there on educational ventures in the future.

Despite the blowing winds and blinding snows of January, we managed to pull off an incredible feat during our winter semester: the creation of a successful lecture series entitled “The Fate of Israel.” With presentations by Professor Sam Lehman-Wilzig of Bar Ilan University, Daniel Kohl of JStreet, Nate Beecher of AIPAC, Robert Satloff of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, as well as a Palestinian perspective from Dr. Kayed Khalil, our community received a very broad-based education on the peace process as well as the rapidly changing landscape of Middle Eastern politics. What is more, we listened to these various perspectives with tolerance and respect, thus living up to the words of the Talmud, “*Eilu v’eilu divrei Elohim Hayyim*” – “Both these and those are the words of a Living God.”

This Spring, our Temple Emanu-El community was privileged to learn from a very distinguished guest, Chancellor Arnold Eisen of the Jewish Theological Seminary, during our Educational Weekend, made possible by the Rabbi Morris G. Silk and Rebbitzin Diana Silk Memorial Fund and the Peter J. and Anna C. Woolf Educational Fund. On Friday night, after a spiritual Shabbat Chai Service and a delicious meal (Our thanks to Margie Pelcovits and

her fine cohort of volunteers!), the Chancellor spoke to us about the future of the Conservative Movement. On Shabbat morning he discussed the “Mature Theology” of *Sefer VaYikra*, entertained our questions, and met with our teenagers. I can tell you that the Chancellor was extremely impressed with the warmth, depth, and Jewish commitment of our wonderful community – but he was especially taken by the food!

This May we experimented with a “mini-mester,” a series of four-week courses aimed at getting a little more learning in before the summer months.

All thanks for this incredible year go to the Institute of Jewish Studies committee, which is under the sage leadership of Margie and Bob Pelcovits as co-chairs. Stay tuned for information about our slate of courses for next year’s Institute, and our planned Educational Weekend on the Jews of China.

Now, as always, it is our job to “go and learn!”

– RABBI JOEL SELTZER

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MUSEUM MUSINGS

The Fruits of Our Labor

Exodus 23:9 commands the Israelites as follows: “The choice first fruits of your soil shall you bring to the House of Adonai,” after the Omer period ends at *Shavu’ot*. (The name *Shavu’ot*, meaning “weeks,” refers to the fact that the holiday marks the conclusion of the seven weeks of the Omer period.) It is a surprising fact that references to *Shavu’ot* in the Torah (the very document whose presentation to the Jewish people the holiday celebrates) allude only to the agricultural basis of the festival. (e.g. Exodus 34:22 and Deuteronomy 16:9-10).

In Temple times, farmers would mark the maturing of their spring fruits and vegetables and by early summer bring them to Jerusalem as an offering. Thus, another name for this festival is *Yom Ha-Bikkurim*, the Day of the First Fruits (Numbers 28:26). Offerings of first fruits were acceptable from *Shavu’ot* through Hanukkah, though it was considered praiseworthy to bring them before *Sukkot*.

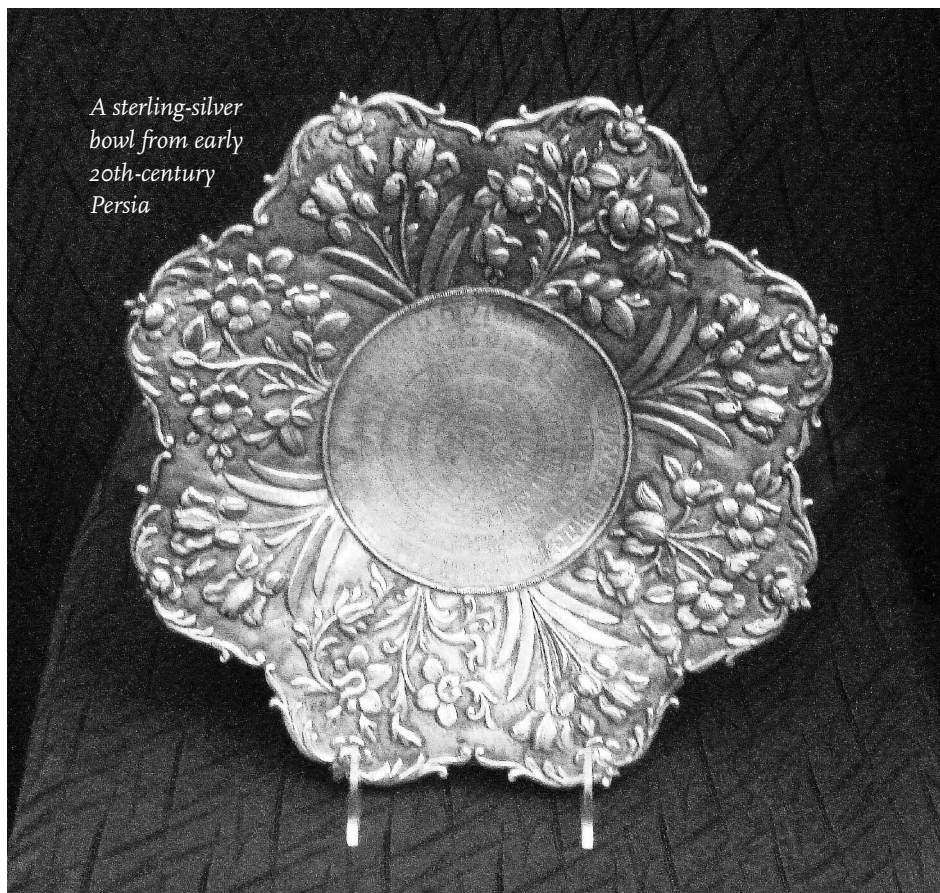
In modern times, outside of Israel, there are few vestiges of the agricultural roots of *Shavu’ot*. However, on secular *kibbutzim*, this festival is observed in a special way.

One of my most enduring memories

Shabbat Kiddush

Do you have a *simha* you would like to commemorate by helping to sponsor or to make a contribution for a Shabbat Kiddush? Your contribution will help bring a smile to people’s faces and help add to the *freylach* atmosphere of our Shabbat experience!

Please contact Gershon Levine at 401 331-1616 or glevine@teprov.org.



A sterling-silver bowl from early 20th-century Persia

of Israel is a visit to friends on Kibbutz *Giv’at Hayyim Ihud* on *Shavu’ot*. A stage was set up in the middle of a field, and kibbutz members, young and old, marched across, carrying baskets and bowls laden with first fruits of the season: oranges, garlic, flowers, grapes, eggplant . . . and more. It was a lively and joyous procession. Then, a pause. And then, suddenly, my friend and many other young women, their newborns in their arms, perambulated across the stage, with beaming smiles. Indeed, these babes were the most special first fruits of this kibbutz.

Other customs remain today: decorating the synagogue with flowers and plants. I remember that at my confirmation in Temple Emanu-El in Providence, in the late 1950s, girls wore floral wreaths in their hair and carried bouquets of flowers. We marched in formation and placed our flowers carefully in front of the Ark. (I am not sure any of us understood then the significance of that ritual!) Additionally, the tradition of eating vegetarian/dairy meals spawned all those blintzes and cheese cakes!

► Pictured above is an exquisite silver bowl, decorated with delightful impressions of fruits and flowers, from the Abraham and Natalie Percelay Museum of Temple Emanu-El. This sterling bowl, from early 20th-century Persia, was given to the museum in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Manny Bromberg by their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gorman. Inscribed around the bowl is the Hebrew blessing recited after eating fruit. Just as *Shavu’ot*, aka *Hag ha-Bikkurim*, thanks God for the first fruits, so does this lovely fruit bowl signify thanks for all the blessings of God’s bounty.

— RUTH PAGE, MUSEUM DIRECTOR

Contributing to the Percelay Museum is a special way to remember those you wish to honor or memorialize. Send your donations to the synagogue, Attn: Museum.

2011 YOUTH SERVICE AWARD WINNERS

LEO H. AND LEILA ROSEN JUDAIC YOUTH AWARD

Michelle Goliger has been chosen as the recipient of the Leo H. and Leila Rosen Judaic Youth Award for her dedication to Judaism, activity among peers, academic interest and involvement in the Jewish community.

Michelle is an active member of our Temple community. Among the many aspects of synagogue life to which she contributes is her leadership in and enthusiasm for Jewish music. She has taken private voice



lessons since her sophomore year and has sung in both the Temple's Kol Kesem HaZamir Teen Choir and the HaZamir International Jewish Teen Choir since 2006. During her junior and senior

years she was a member of the HaZamir Chamber Choir, and this year has served on the HaZamir Teen Leadership Committee. Additionally, she has done a tremendous job as this year's choir manager for Kol Kesem HaZamir.

Michelle's dedication to Judaism and Jewish education shows in her service to the Temple. She has been an active USYer in the Providence chapter and this year, volunteered to be on the Purim Carnival committee. She has also served as a Torah Tutor and has attended the Harry Elkin Midrasha since 2006.

Michelle will soon graduate from Classical High School, where she has been equally committed and involved. She has been a member of the indoor track team and helped plan her school's ski trip. Outside of school, she has acted with the Rhode Island Stage Ensemble, and in the summer of 2010 she attended the Alexander Muss High School in Israel program. This fall, Michelle will attend the University of Maryland in College Park, where she hopes to pursue degrees in vocal performance and journalism.

RABBI ELI A. BOHNEN YOUTH AWARDS

Batya Nechama Franklin and Leah Siegel-Reamer are this year's recipients of the Rabbi Eli A. Bohnen Youth Award. They have been chosen for their outstanding commitment to and involvement in the life of Temple Emanu-El and the broader Jewish community.

Batya is the current religion/education executive vice president (Rel/Ed) of New England Region USY (NERUSY). She is an outstanding leader and role model for her peers, having served as the Providence USY Rel/Ed for two years, the regional general board *Limmudim* co-chair, as well as a member of the spring convention *Chug T'fillah* committee,



NERUSapella, the Abraham Joshua Heschel Honor Society, *HaChalutzim*, and the 613 Mitzvah Corps. Batya lives for USY and estimates that she has attended 98.73 percent of regional events from 9th to 12th grades and 98.82 percent of chapter events.

Whenever Batya isn't attending a regional or international USY event, she can be found at Temple Emanu-El leading Family Services, being a Torah Tutor, leyning in the Main Sanctuary, or performing with HaZamir. This past year, she was on the HaZamir teen leadership committee. The Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island has recognized her commitment to Jewish life by presenting her with the prestigious Zaiman Award. This year Batya received the Resnick Award at Midrasha graduation.

Batya will soon graduate from the Maimonides School, where she is the current student council president, Kol Isha Girls' Choir co-leader, and Maimonides Israel Advocacy Club (MIAC) founder. Over the last four years she has also been involved with the photography club, the unior varsity girls' basketball team, and the school newspaper and literary magazine. After four years as a camper and a summer on Ramah's Poland/Israel seminar, Batya can't

wait to return to Camp Ramah in New England as a junior counselor this summer. Next year, Batya will be heading to New York to attend Albert A. List College's joint program between Columbia University and the Jewish Theological Seminary. She is already making an impression at List, where she has been granted the USY Leadership Award – a grant given to an incoming student who has demonstrated a commitment to United Synagogue Youth.

Leah has been very active in USY throughout her high school years. She is an exceptional student leader, this year serving as the president of the Providence chapter of USY. Previously, she served as the communications vice-president. Not only has Leah brought vision and



enthusiasm to the executive board, she has also brought those skills to the court as a member of the USY girls' volleyball team for three years. At Temple Emanu-El, Leah has been a dedicated Torah Tutor. She has also attended the Harry Elkin Midrasha for four years, and has sung in the Kol Kesem HaZamir Teen Choir.

Leah will graduate from Providence Country Day School (PCD) this spring. An avid tennis player, she has played for PCD for four years and is currently captain of the varsity team. She has also served on the student council and the judicial board, has been a peer tutor and ambassador (tour guide), spent a season on the lacrosse and track teams, and is the current president of the PCD Peace Jam chapter. Leah is very excited to be joining the Clark University class of 2015 next year.

USY HAPPENINGS

Providence USY Wins Honors at Spring Convention

Providence USY continues to be recognized as one of the best and strongest chapters in the region. As a group, we were awarded the prestigious **Sam Somers Memorial Award for Outstanding Community Service**, the only chapter to receive this award. We were also recognized as a **Gold Chapter of Excellence**.

Batya Franklin was awarded the **Mel Goldman Award for Individual Excellence**, the highest award given to an individual USYer. Two of our USYers were elected to the regional executive board: **Daniella Levine** was elected president of NERUSY, and **Dylan Abrams** was elected Israel/programming vice president. Mazel tov to these teens and *yasher koach* to all our teens and staff for a wonderful year!!

— MIRIAM ABRAMS-STARK, DIRECTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL LEARNING



1 USYers in New York preparing to march in the Salute to Israel Parade



2 Contemplating the meaning of Passover over ice cream at the Kadima / Junior USY Interfaith Ice Cream Social

3 Sibling love at the Purim Carnival's favorite booth: the Sponge Toss

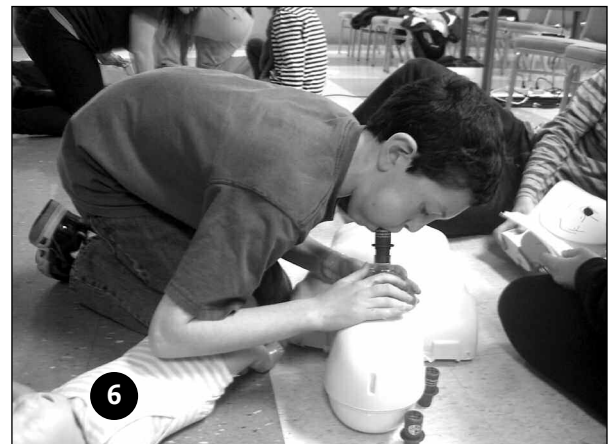




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- 4** Senior USYers selling raffle tickets at the Purim Carnival
- 5** Planting seedlings at Galego Court with New Urban Farmers
- 6** Learning how to save a life at the CPR Lounge Night



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■ FLORAL FUND

May 6, 7 (2,3 Iyar)

Ida M. Frank by Mrs. Abbott Lieberman and *Anna Manheim* by Mr. and Mrs. Norman Levine

May 13, 14 (9,10 Iyar)

Leonard Salmanson by Barbara, Carol and Alan Salmanson and *Esther Weiner* by Mrs. Samuel Irving

May 20, 21 (16, 17 Iyar)

Morris Berry by Mrs. Joslin Berry and family; *Shirley Brier Lewis* by the Brier family; *Muriel Hassenfeld Mann* and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mann and *Regina Eisenberg* by Mrs. Lawrence Waldman and family

May 27, 28 (23, 24 Iyar)

Benton Odessa by Mrs. Benton Odessa and family; *Priscilla and Joseph Wachtenheim* by Mrs. Eugene Wachtenheim and family; *Morris Sackett* by Mr. Herb Sackett and Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Sonkin; and *Rebecca Davis* by Mrs. Paul Gershman

Mother's Day

In Memory of: *Dora Alperin* and *Eva Singer* by the Alperin-Hirsch family; *Rose Oelbaum* and *Helen Smith* by Mrs. Philip Baron and family; *Sarah Brier* by Mrs. Joslin Berry and family; *Marion C. Sydell* by Mrs. Ellis Blackman, Mrs. Charles Schiff and Mrs. Arthur Stambler; *Gertrude Rosen*, *Lillian Brown* and *Jeanette Bearman* by Mrs. Bertram Brown; *Rose Kroll* and *Esther Dubinsky* by Mrs. Milton Dubinsky; *Joan* and *Ida Engle* by Mr. and Mrs. James Engle and family; *Mildred Espo* and *Eve Goldberg* by Mrs. Harlan Espo and family; *Fannie Levine* and *Eva Feldstein* by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Feldstein and family; *Rebecca Davis* by Mrs. Paul Gershman; *Marion Hassenfeld* and *Muriel Hassenfeld Mann* by Mrs. Merrill Hassenfeld and family; *Esther Weiner* and *Hannah Irving* by Mrs. Samuel Irving; *Mildred Waldman Gurwitz* and *Beatrice Katz* by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Katz; *Ethel Lipson* and *Rose Kroll* by Mrs. Sanford Kroll; *Bessie Kraus* and *Rose Licht* by Mrs. Frank Licht and family; *Muriel Hassenfeld Mann* by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mann; *Alice Chosmir*, *Esther* and *Lillian*

The Floral Fund is a wonderful way to remember and honor loved ones.



Single donations are \$10. For \$50, your remembrance will appear seven times in the *Kol* and Shabbat flyer. If you have any questions, please call the Temple office.

– Susan Odessa

Weiner by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mittleman; *Grace Schoenfeld* by Mrs. Benton Odessa and family; *Ethel Yale* and *Gertrude Rosen* by Mr. and Mrs. Harris Rosen; *Jennie Salinger* and *Lenore Sherwin* by Dr. and Mrs. Fred Rotenberg and family; *Rose (Sunny) Sack*, *Ida Sack*, and *Rhoda Gruber* by Ms. Ilena Sack; *Evelyn Sackett* by Mr. Herbert Sackett and Mrs. Nathan Sonkin; *Elizabeth Salmanson* by the Salmanson family; *Marion Kwasha* by the Sondler family; *Dorothy V. Waldman* by Mrs. Lawrence P. Waldman and family

Shavu'ot Yizkor

In Memory of: *Max*, *Dora*, *Benjamin* and *Mary Alperin*; *Eva*, *Harry* and *Max Singer*, and *Anne Kaplan* by the Alperin-Hirsch family; *Helen Smith* by Mrs. Philip Baron and family; *Morris* and *Bessie Berry*, *Judge Maurice Robinson*, *Sarah Brier* and *Dr. Joslin Berry* by Mrs. Joslin Berry; *Marion C.* and *Morris R. Sydell* by Mrs. Ethel Blackman, Mrs. Arthur Stambler and Mrs. Charles R. Schiff; *Gertrude* and *Samuel Rosen*, *Lillian* and *Charles Brown*, *Jeanette Louis* and *William Bearman* by Mrs. Bertram Brown; *Rose* and *George Kroll* and *Milton*, *Esther* and *Benjamin Dubinsky* by Mrs. Milton Dubinsky; *Joseph*, *Joan*, *Leonard* and *Ida Engle* and *Morton Gladstein* by Mr. and Mrs. James Engle and family; *Harlan*, *Mildred* and *Morris Espo* by the Espo family; *Deborah Feldstein Bartfeld*, *Marilyn Saltzman*, *Harry* and *Eva Feldstein*, *Fannie*, *Philip B. Levine* and *Barry Levine* by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Feldstein and family; *Robert P. Frank* by Mr. and Mrs. H. Alan Frank and family; *Paul Gershman*, *Rebecca* and *Nathan Davis* and *Sylvia Davis Kirshenbaum* by Mrs. Paul Gershman and family; *Harry Goldberg*, *Ralph* and *Clara Shuster* and *Gerald Harlam* by Mr. and Mrs. Murray Goldberg; *Sidney Grunberg* by Harriet Grunberg; *Merrill*, *Steven*, *Henry* and *Marion Hassenfeld* and *Muriel Hassenfeld Mann* by Mrs. Merrill Hassenfeld and family; *Esther* and *Albert Weiner*, *Samuel*, *Hannah* and *Philip Irving* and *Charlotte Dick* by Mrs. Samuel Irving; *Abel Gurwitz*, *Mildred Waldman Gurwitz*, *Joel Franklin Gurwitz*, *Bernard*, *Gertrude* and *Oscar Klemer*, *Beatrice* and *Jacob Katz*, *Gertrude* and *Harry Charren* by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Katz; *Clara*, *David*, *Clare* and *Solomon Korn*, *Celia K.*

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June 3, 4 (1, 2 Sivan)

William Krassner by Mr. and Mrs. Hershey Rosen and family and *Governor Frank Licht* by Mrs. Frank Licht and family

June 10, 11 (8,9 Sivan)

Ida Engle by Mr. and Mrs. James Engle and family

June 17, 18 (15, 16 Sivan)

Gerald Harlam by Mr. and Mrs. Murray Goldberg and *Sylvia Davis Kirshenbaum* by Mrs. Paul Gershman and family

June 24, 25 (22, 23 Sivan)

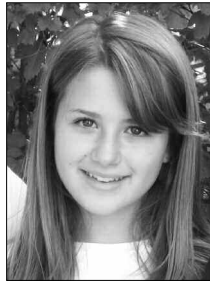
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May and June Bar/Bat Mitzvah Celebrations



SILVER SCHOLAR

Raphael Herzberg Mayer
Son of
Cantor Brian J. Mayer
and Dr. Suzanne Herzberg
May 14, 2011
Parashat
B'har



SILVER SCHOLAR

Isabelle Wisen
Daughter of
David and Faye Wisen
May 21, 2011
Parashat
B'hukkotai



SILVER SCHOLAR

Daniel Zawatsky
Son of
Marc and Evelyn Zawatsky
May 28, 2011
Parashat
B'midbar



SILVER SCHOLAR

Jeremiah Bermel
Son of
Guy Bermel
and Sara Frankel
June 11, 2011
Parashat
B'haalot'kha



SILVER SCHOLAR

Eli Lederberg
Son of
Tobias and Michele Lederberg
June 18, 2011
Parashat
Sh'lach L'kha

Father's Day

In Memory of: *Joslin Berry, Judge Maurice Robinson and Morris Berry by Mrs. Joslin Berry and family; Ellis Blackman and Morris R. Sydell by Mrs. Ellis Blackman, Mrs. Arthur Stambler and Mrs. Charles Schiff; Dr. Philip Baron, Sidney Smith and Rev. Jacob Baron by Mrs. Philip Baron and family; Leonard and Joseph Engle, Morton and Henry Gladstein and Henry Hassenfeld by Mr. and Mrs. James Engle and family; Harlan and Morris Espo by Mrs. Harlan Espo and family; Harry Feldstein and Philip B. Levine by the Feldstein family; Paul Gershman by Mrs. Paul Gershman and family; Nathan Davis by Mrs. Paul Gershman; Harry Goldberg and Ralph Shuster by Mr. and Mrs. Murray Goldberg; Albert Weiner and Philip Irving by Mrs. Samuel Irving; Sanford Kroll, Samuel Lipson and George Kroll by Mrs. Sanford Kroll; Henry Markoff and Edward Gelfand by Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Markoff and family; Albert and Harold Weiner, Irving Mittleman and Morris Chusmir by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mittleman; Benton Odessa and Louis Schoenfeld by Mrs. Benton Odessa and family; Leonard Salmanson by Barbara, Alan and Carol Salmanson; William Krassner and Samuel Rosen by Mr. and Mrs. Harris Rosen; Samuel Sherwin by Dr. and Mrs. Fred Rotenberg; Dr. Mitchel Sack, Samuel Sack and Louis Gruber by Ms. Ilena Sack; Morris Sackett by Mr. Herbert Sackett and Mrs. Nathan Sonkin; Barnett Salmanson by the Salmanson family; Richard, Bruce, David Peter Sondler, Joseph Sondler and Isadore Kwasha by the Sondler family; Morris Waldman by Mrs. Lawrence P. Waldman and family*

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In Honor of: **Bernice Weiner** being nominator for the Alan Karlsberg Tzedeh Awards by Marcia Gerstein

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In Memory of: *Yetta Segal* by Maurice and Yetta Glicksman

■ LEA'S LETTERS FUND

In Memory of: *David Snyder* by Barbara and Morris Schwartz

■ LIBRARY FUND

In Honor of: Dee Dee and Gary Witman on the marriage of their daughter by Beverly Loebenberg

In Memory of: *Gerald P. Cohen* by Marilyn Myrow

Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Shalom, my name is Michelle Dworkin, and I am a Foreign Service Officer currently serving with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) in Afghanistan. My family is good friends with Uri and Ellen Bar-Zemer. I was very fortunate to have received a package during Passover containing candy and a letter from Rabbi Joel Seltzer sent by Temple Emanu-El's College Outreach Committee. Thank you so much! It is truly uplifting to know that people back home, whom I don't even know, care about us over here and put in the time and effort to send us packages.

Although while I am a civilian, I am living at a U.S. Army base (Camp Stone) in western Afghanistan about 45 minutes

IN THE MAIL

from the city of Herat. We will be opening a U.S. Consulate in this strategic city, but, until then, we are living with the military, who are kind enough to host us. Herat is actually a pretty nice city with a lot of economic potential. It is the only place outside of Kabul that has paved roads and electricity 24-hours-a-day; it also boasts a university and a number of historic sites. You might also be surprised to know that there was once a Jewish presence in Herat; and the Aga Khan Foundation (an Ismaili Muslim organization) is involved in restoring some of the old synagogues here.

Thank you so much again, and *Shabbat Shalom*.

Best,
MICHELLE DWORKIN

■ PURIM SPIEL FUND

In Honor of: Jon Lentz on his special birthday by Alyse Teitelbaum

■ SHABBAT ALIVE FUND

Donation by: Jon and Ruth Berenson

In Honor of: Steve and Libby Peiser on the birth of their granddaughter by Toby and Ivy Marwil; Sam and Linda Shamoon for their kindness by Denise Goldstein; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Greene on their granddaughter's naming and Cantor Brian Mayer and Suzanne Herzberg on their son becoming a *Bar Mitzvah* by Marilyn Myrow; Rabbi Joel and Eliana Seltzer on the birth of their daughter by Toby and Ivy Marwil

In Memory of: *Yetta Segal* by Cheryl Teverow and Jim Krupanski

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■ SUNSHINE FUND

In Memory of: *Rosalind Rosenfeld* by Libby and Steven Peiser and family

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In Honor of: Josh and Penney Stein on their special anniversary by Marilyn and Larry Katz

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In Memory of: *Gizella Engelman* and *Yosef Eiland* by the Adler family

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In Honor of: Cantor Brian Mayer and Suzanne Herzberg on their son becoming a *Bar Mitzvah*, Rabbi Joel and Eliana Seltzer on the birth of their daughter, and Greta Steiner on the birth of her great-grandchild by David and Eleanor Lewis

LEONARD BELLIN FUND

In Memory of: *Morris Satloff* by Leonard Bellin

HENRY AND CLAIRE BERCOVITZ FUND

In Memory of: *Patricia Kaplan Bowen*, *Stanley Grossman*, *Sidney Feldman*, *Miriam Goldstein*, and *Jerome Lamchick* by Claire Bercovitz

RABBI ELI AND ELEANOR BOHNEN FUND

In Honor of: Dr. and Mrs. Steven Peiser on the birth of their granddaughter by Judy and Mayer Levitt



On June 5, 2011, a busload of Rhode Island USYers, USY alums, parents, and other adults marched in the Salute to Israel Parade in New York City with 30,000 others.

The Rhode Island delegation, organized by Rebecca Theise and Miriam Abrams-Stark, participated in the parade at the teens' urging.

PEARL AND MARTIN CURRAN FUND

In Honor of: Cantor Brian Mayer and Suzanne Herzberg on their son becoming a *Bar Mitzvah* by Reeva Curran

BONNIE AND DONALD DWARES FUND

In Honor of: Bonnie and Donald Dwares on the marriage of their son David by Richard and Linda Mittleman and David Isenberg

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In Memory of: Yetta Segal by Barbara and Edward Feldstein

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In Memory of: Albert Davis, Burton Shaffa, Iline Winegard and Yetta Segal by Brenda and David Korn

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In Honor of: Celia Katz for her speedy recovery, Estelle Klemer on the birth of her grandson, Arthur Fixler for his speedy recovery and Dee Dee and Gary Witman on the marriage of their daughter by Richard and Bernice Kumins

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In Memory of: Albert Gordon and Yetta Segal by Jerry and Barbara Lavine

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In Honor of: John and Harriet Reed on their son becoming a *Bar Mitzvah* and Cantor Brian Mayer and Suzanne Herzberg on their son becoming a *Bar Mitzvah* by Alan, Marianne, David, and Madison Litwin

In Memory of: Yetta Segal by Alan and Marianne Litwin

RICHARD AND LINDA MITTLEMAN FUND

In Honor of: Cantor Brian Mayer and Suzanna Herzberg on their son becoming a *Bar Mitzvah* by Richard and Linda Mittleman.; Linda and Richard Mittleman on their granddaughter, Nora becoming a *Bat Mitzvah* by Richard and Bernice Kumins

In Memory of: Miriam Goldstein and Rexy by Richard and Linda Mittleman

BENTON ODESSA CANTORIAL FUND

In Honor of: Dr. and Mrs. Steven Peiser on the birth of their granddaughter, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dwares on the marriage of their son David, Dee Dee and Gary Witman on the marriage of their daughter, Samantha, Darrell and Susan Ross on the engagement of their daughter,

Leslie and Susan Ross on her special birthday by Elaine Odessa; Elaine Odessa by Judy and Mayer Levitt and Cantor Brian Mayer and Suzanna Herzberg on their son becoming a *Bar Mitzvah* by Hinda Semonoff

In Memory of: Miriam Goldstein and the father of Wayne Charness by Elaine Odessa.

RUTH AND CHARLES SAMDPERIL FUND

In Honor of: Brian Mayer and Suzanna Herzberg on their son becoming a *Bar Mitzvah* by Ruth Samdperil

In Memory of: Selma Keiner and Charles Samdperil by Ruth Samdperil

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In Memory of: Eva Labush and Dianne Shlevin by Irene Shlevin; Eva Labush by Ruth Tolchinsky

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In Memory of: Yetta Segal and Brenda L. Smira by Carol and Rob Trow

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In Memory of: Miriam Goldstein by Sydelle Sydney

JOSEPH AND BARCI THALER FUND

In Memory of: Yetta Segal by Jill and Michael Thaler

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In Memory of: Dr. Morris Sweet and Solomon Yosinoff by Louis Yosinoff



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Jacob Katzman's Bar Mitzvah Project

SAVE
THE DATE
Sept. 18

Southern New England Walk Now for Autism Speaks



**"I am walking in honor
of my brother."**

Brothers Nathan and Jacob Katzman

I hope that Temple Emanu-El will join "Nathan's Team" on September 18th at Colt State Park in Bristol, Rhode Island. Registration for the walk begins at 9:30 am. Walk start is 11 am. Even if you don't want to walk you can still come and support the team.

If you visit the website – www.walknowforautismspeaks.org/sne – you will get a better idea of what goes on the day of the walk. My goal is to recruit at least 200 people to walk on the 18th and raise \$10,000 to donate to Autism Speaks. Any person who walks receives a free t-shirt and a day guaranteed to be full of fun and mitzvot!

For the past six years my family and I have been partaking in the walk for Autism Speaks. This event raises money for autism awareness and research. Autism Speaks is a non-profit organization – it is also the only national organization that is raising money for this cause. At the walk there will be many teams that are organized by family and friends of autistic people. Our team is called Nathan's Team; I am walking in honor of my brother Nathan.

Please contact Jacob Katzman at 401 722-9188 or jacobkatzman@aol.com, if you would like to register for the walk and be a part of Nathan's Team.