KOL B'NAI AVIV

THE VOICE OF B'NAI AVIV

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From the desk of... Rich Cohen, B'nai Aviv President

When I was a young child in New York, there was no day more exciting for me than the Opening Day of the baseball season. As an impressionable young Mets fan, there was a renewed hope that this year would be better than last, that all things were possible and that the team mantra of "Ya Gotta Believe" was all that was necessary to propel them to greatness. Year after year I was disappointed by this hapless team, until the 1969 Miracle Mets when, against all odds, they won the World Series. A group of focused and talented ball players came together to dream big, work in harmony and achieved the impossible. So what does this have to do with B'nai Aviv?

Year after year we come together as a community with a renewed hope and optimism that the blessings of the past will be multiplied in the future. We work together as a collective of talented and dedicated people to strive for greatness and for the achievement of our goals. Success is seen through the strengthening of our Jewish community where we all can worship together, support each other and dream that the today's best will be tomorrow's worst. But it does require a renewed focus each year and we can't rely upon our past success as a guaranty of future greatness. We need everyone to "pitch" in and swing for the fences to keep our winning streak intact.

I do believe that our best days lie ahead at B'nai Aviv and my optimism in never wavering. I believe in the power of our team of committed Jews to embrace our opportunity to be something bigger than we ever imagined. And I believe in the power of recognizing that our strength will grow exponentially when we work together on those things we have in common and respect the differing views of our larger Jewish family.

As Yogi Berra said, if you don't know where you are going, you will wind up someplace else. Be a part of our Field of Dreams-it is not only located at 1410 Indian Trace, but in each of your homes and in your hearts. Let's all pull together to hit the homerun of a successful synagogue and community for your family and friends.

You Belong Here!

B'Shalom, Rich



April 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Sisterhood Game Day 1:00 pm	2 Religious School 4:30 pm	3 Torah Talk 12:00 pm USY 7:00 pm	4 Sisterhood Glass Etching 6:30 pm	5 ECEC TOT Shabbat Dinner 5:30 pm	6 Shabbat Services 9:15 am
	Hebrew High 6:30 pm	Kadima 6:45 pm Executive Commttee 7:00 pm Tai Chi 7:30 pm		Hebrew High 7:00 pm	Shabbat Eve Services 6:30 pm	Bar Mitzvah of Zack Finkelstein
7 Religious School 9:00 am	8 Sisterhood Game Day 1:00 pm	9 Religious School 4:30 pm	10 Torah Talk 12:00 pm USY 7:00 pm	11 Kids Art Event 6:00 pm	12 Shabbat Eve Services 6:30 pm	13 Shabbat Services 9:15 am
Stained Glass Program 10:00 am Devorim 11:30 am	Hebrew High 6:30 pm	Kadima 6:45 pm Tai Chi 7:30 pm	Freedom Song 7:00 pm UST 7:00 pm	Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:00 pm	Volunteer Recognition Shabbat Dinner 7:30 pm	Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Egozi Shabbat TOT 10:30 am
14 Religious School 9:00 am	15 Sisterhood Game Day 1:00 pm	16 Religious School 4:30 pm	17 Torah Talk 12:00 pm	18 Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class 7:00 pm	19 Shabbat Eve Services 6:30 pm	20 Shabbat Services 9:15 am
Blood Drive 9:00 am Chalutzim 11:30 am	Hebrew High 6:30 pm	Kadima 6:45 pm Board of Directors 7:00 pm Tai Chi 7:30 pm	USY 7:00 pm		Erev Pesach 5779	Passover First Day
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	Hebrew High 6:30 pm	Kadima 6:45 pm				
	Sisterhood Board	Tai Chi 7:30 pm				

Sisterhood Board Meeting 7:00 pm

FREEDOM SONG

WEDNESDAY APRIL 10TH ~ 7:00 PM

\$5 ADMISSION Material Appropriate For Grades 8 +

Freedom Song is a transformative musical that will shatter the myth of Jews being immune to addiction. By interweaving a Passover Seder with personal stories of addiction, Freedom Song poses one stark question - "what are you a slave to?" Using song and dance, tears and laughter, and an intense post show discussion with our cast, Freedom Song will open your eyes to the real life struggle against the 'bondage of self' that we fight everyday.

To buy tickets or become a sponsor for this event please visit the events page at https://www.bnaiaviv.org or call the synagogue office at 954.384.8265

Call Us! Email Us!

We rely on our synagogue members, their friends and families to let us know when someone is hospitalized, suffering any illness, etc. The clergy would also like to hear the good news, such as celebrating a birth, graduation, special anniversary or birthday, promotion, honor or any other simcha. In order to better keep everyone informed, please share this information with us by calling the office at 954-384 - 8265 or email: melissa@bnaiaviv.org

Thank you for your help!



From the desk of... Mindy Bernstein, ECEC Director

As we enter into the last semester of the school year, excitement still abounds! We just finished celebrating Purim and had a great time at all our Purim festivities. We are enrolling for the School Year 2019/20 and Summer Camp is just two months away.



All classrooms are already working hard to prepare for Passover. From the characters to the matzah and Passover Seder, there is lots to learn. Passover or *Pesach*, as it is called in Hebrew, is the festival that reminds us of when the Jewish people were slaves in Egypt about 3,500 years ago and how God freed them from the evil

Egyptian king Pharaoh. While waiting on line for the sink, walking outside to play and waiting to be picked up, I hear the children practicing the "Mah Nishtana."

Our Passover stories don't end. They are passed from generation to generation.

Here are some of the lessons from the Passover story that the children will be learning:

- 1. Learn how to ask. Most great achievements in life begin with a question. Be curious. Speak up. Ask! Ask about the salt water and the parsley. Ask about the matzah and the pillows on our chairs. Ask about the Seder plate with the bitter herbs that bring tears to our eyes.
- **2. Responsibility for each other.** We invite all who are hungry to come and eat because we are responsible for one another. Some people are hungry for food, while others are hungry for wisdom. Whatever we have we should share as much as we can.
- **3.** Embrace challenges. Embrace challenges. Learn from them. Remember them. They brought us to this place today.
- **4. Take action.** Thinking and preparing for change are important steps but what matters in the end is following through with our actions. Matzah teaches us the importance of acting quickly when we know something is the right thing to do. We didn't wait for the bread to rise. Instead we grabbed the matzah and ran. Take action whenever you can and as soon as you can. The world is full of great ideas that have never been realized. Matzah teaches us to move, to do, to run towards our goal.
- **5. Practice Jewish gratitude.** We sing Dayenu. In G_d's great kindness we receive food, sight and hearing and legs and hands. This is the kind of gratitude that teaches us during the hardest of days that we have so much to be thankful for.
- **6.** The meaning of freedom. Some people think freedom means being able to do what we want whenever we want. Freedom is the ability to create a meaningful life with authentic values and to create a close connection with our Creator. Freedom is living a life of constant growth and striving to live up to our potential.



Children play the most important role! Every year when we retell the story of our Freedom from Egypt, we begin with the children's questions and the story is told as an answer!

Here at B'nai Aviv Early Childhood Education Center, we truly believe that everything does revolve around the children.

B' Shalom, Mindy

PJ Library® and B'nai Aviv invite you to join our Mini-Minyan!

Shabbat O Together Passover Palastover Palastover

Come join us for a hands on family Shabbat/Passover experience.

ShabbatTOT Together is an engaging program geared toward families with young children, ages 5 and under.

(Older siblings are welcome too.)

This 90 minute program includes Shabbat themed songs, stories, puppet shows, a Torah parade, simple blessings. challah & juice and indoor playtime

Please join us April 13th at 10:30^{am}

Sing Dance Pray

Engage your Shabbat Spirit together at ShabbatTOT!





From the desk of... Liz Singer, Director of Life Long Learning

The value this past month that students studied was *savlanut* (patience). When you are looking forward to something, like Spring Break, it seems like it takes forever!!! But students know that they must have patience as it approaches.

The Lower Grades, Kindergarten- 3rd Grade, had an amazing Class Shabbat where they led the congregation in prayer. The 3rd Graders taught those in attendance about how special the Torah portion was only being read every 19 years because of the Jewish leap year. They spoke about how hard it is to give away something that belongs to you, but if it is for something like the Tabernacle that benefits





you and the community then you feel more a part of the community. There were over 90 people in attendance

There were two Shabbos Squads very close together. There has also been a growing attendance at the new iteration, Shabbos Squad Junior for Kindergarten-2nd Grade. The first theme was a Friend-raiser if participants brought their friend they got extra entries into the end of year raffle. The second Shabbos Squad, which was held at the beginning of March was Purim themed. It was really nice to see new faces at both programs

Families had an amazing time at the Megillah reading on Wednesday, March 20th which was followed by an dance party, costume contest, ice cream buffet and snacks. There were so many wonderful costumes that it was hard to decide. The categories were separated into ages. For the youngest age group, 0-5, it was so hard to decide with so many great costumes that the categories of princesses and heroes had to be added. The older age categories turned into a dance-off, and some serious dance moves were displayed.

We are looking forward to next month and all the fun that Passover has to offer.

B'Shalom, Liz



From the desk of ... Todd Morchelies, Youth Director

Wow, what a great Winter it has been and we are excited for Spring. In March, we held our annual Purim Carnival. This was

truly one of the biggest and best carnivals we've ever had. Everyone had an amazing time! Spring means Pesach and Regional Convention. We are proud to announce that our very own Sara Beer has won the Sub-Regional Vice President position covering all of South Florida. At Regional Convention, we will have our very



own Emma Grungold running for Regional

President and Morgan Isbitts running for Regional Israeli Affairs Vice President. We wish them both the best of luck in their elections.



April, Devorim will have their final event of the year going on their first off -site field trip. Bowling. This is sure

to be a lot of fun. Chalutzim will be going Ice Skating and to Boomers. Kadima will also be going Bowling

and having Wars. Dessert USY will be



Painting with a Twist and Making Challah.



USY and Kadima Elections for the 2019-2020 year are coming up so anyone interested in running should fill out an online application.

For more information regarding any of our amazing youth programs, please contact me at todd@bnaiaviv.org or visit our youth website at www.bausvbees.com.

B'Shalom, Todd

<u>B'mi</u>Adventure Camp 20

Camp B'nai Aviv's ALL NEW teen travel camp is the perfect combo of day camp and travel for tweens entering grades 5th-8th in the fall.

Traveling is one of the best ways to foster independence, develop social skills and encourage creativity all while visiting cool places and having loads of fun in the process!

Campers will experience off-site extended field trips where they will explore Palm Beach, Broward and Dade Counties. They will also participate in all camp wide special events and activities here on campus. Campers will explore:

- Rapids Water Park Xtreme Action Park Planet Air

- **Laser Quest** Canoeina
- Swimming Snorkeling

- Bowling, Ice Skating and Shabbat

Teen Travel Day Camp is a great summer experience giving teens the balance of safe supervision and independence.

rogram hours 9:00 am - 3:30 pm available from 7:00 -9:00 am and 3:30 - 6:30 pm





B'nai Aviv Religious School invites Kindergarten through 2nd Graders to join us for a very special Interactive Passover Program. Parents and siblings are included

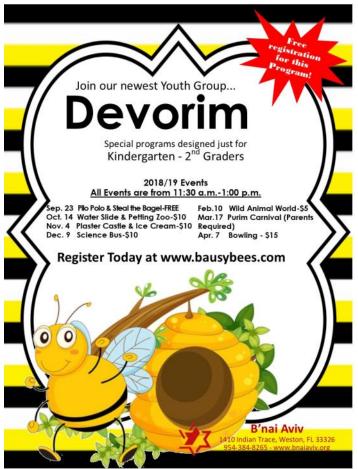
Sunday, April 14

- Build Your Own Matzah Pyramid
- Learn about the Passover Story
- Crafts
- Music... and More

This event is free and open to the public But please let us know you plan to join us. RSVP to cookie@bnaiaviv.org by April 10th.

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From the desk of... Corinna Black -Kushner, Sisterhood President

Sisterhood had an amazing evening sponsored by Ilene Becker of ideclutteru.com, Virginia Brown of Miamineat.com and Stephanie Norman of RKVST.com. In case you missed it, we had over 75 ladies in attendance motivated to clean out their closets and clean up their homes. A huge thank you to Robin Kaye for organizing this very successful event.

We hope you will join us for our next event, scheduled for April 4th, our Pre-Passover glass etching event. Our final event for the year will be May 13. Come join us for "Joga"-Jewish inspired yoga! This event promises to be full of surprises and all levels of ability are welcome.

On May 29 @ 6:45 pm we will have our annual calendar planning meeting. Please join us for this event as we brainstorm our ideas for next year. Dinner will be served and rsvps are required to ensure enough food.

RSVP to Joga and the planning meeting to <u>sisterhood@bnaiaviv.org</u>

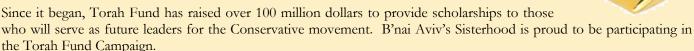
Remember it's never too late to get involved!

B'Shalom, Corinna Black-Kushner

Torah Fund at B'nai Aviv

Torah Fund is a campaign sponsored by the Women's League for Conservative Judaism. Our Sisterhood is part of the Women's League, as are many other sisterhood's of Conservative synagogues across North America.

The Torah Fund campaign supports scholarships for Rabbis, Cantors and Jewish Educators who attend programs at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, the School of Rabbinic studies in Los Angeles, and educational programs in Jerusalem, Buenos Aires, and Germany.



Any amount donated to the Torah Fund campaign is greatly appreciated. But those who donate at the \$180 level are considered to be "Benefactors" and receive the beautiful Torah Fund pin shown below. We are very proud to list the following Torah Fund Benefactors for this year below. It is not too late to add your name to this group.

Louise Allen, Corinna Black-Kushner, Frieda Caldes, Lisa Cohen, Lanee Friedel, Mona Hass, Myrna Hert, Mindy Libes, Susan Linch, Sandi Nirenberg, Lisa Rosenberg.

And, as of July 1 2019, we will start the campaign over again for next year, with a new and lovely pin!

Thank you all for your continuing support of Torah Fund!

Lance Friedel & Mindy Libes, Torah Fund Co-Chairs



PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE B'NAI AVIV MEN'S CLUB

SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH



\$36 PP

START TIME 8:30 AM

THIS EVENT WILL INCLUDE A BBQ LUNCH.

OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS 18 AND OVER
TEAMS WILL BE FORMED ON APRIL 25TH.

FOR QUESTIONS OR TO RSVP EMAIL MELISSA@BNAIAVIV.ORG BY APRIL 24TH PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MEN'S CLUB.

Donations Received March 1-30, 2019

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Our synagogue is committed to providing these services in an atmosphere of warmth and mutual caring within a congregational family who share a deep-felt desire to promote and ensure the continuity of Jewish life, to perform tzedakah, and to support the State of Israel and the United States of America.