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CONGREGATION B'NAI TORAH'S NEWSLETTER

Welcome Back Home

BY PRESIDENT JEFF ZAKIM

This is something I hope to say to you soon, in person, inside our beloved B'nai Torah. Before that, please allow me to introduce myself, as this is my inaugural column as President of B'nai Torah. I am Jeff Zakim, twenty plus year member of B'nai Torah. Professionally, I am an executive in the music industry, who resides in Fairfield. I love books, dogs, the beach, coffee and have recently taken up running.

B'nai Torah is a major part of life for my family. My mother and father-in-law, Eileen and Stan Kaplin, set a strong foundation for us here. My wife, Judy and I were married here in 1997. Our sons, Nathan (18) and Evan (14) received their Jewish education, and became Bar Mitzvah here. During the past several years, I

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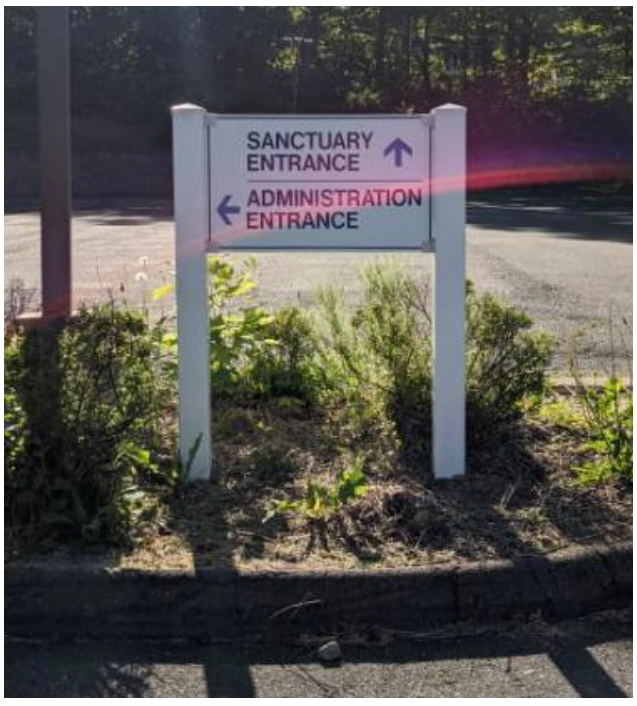
have been an active Board member, spearheading The Mensch Initiative, assisting with security, working with many of our members painting the building, delivering High Holiday books, and collecting countless donated goods. I sincerely thank the entire BT community for putting your trust in me as our new President.

Our achievements and successes at BT under the very difficult circumstances of 2020 were many, and now we are poised to look forward with hope and optimism. There is a lot that is new and exciting for B'nai Torah. Our Board of Directors includes several newly created roles, and many new faces. We have implemented innovative financial management systems. We have new signage inside and outside the building. New security and safety protocols are in place. We have new members, exciting collaborative plans with our friends at Beth El Fairfield, and many engagement opportunities for our community across ritual, education, social, giving and so much more.

We also have a great deal of momentum towards safely being in person at B'nai Torah. We recently celebrated a beautiful wedding, Talmud Torah graduations, and several B'nai Mitzvah in person. These recent in person events fill me with a great deal of hope that we will be able to say Welcome Back Home to one another very soon. I hope this column finds our entire B'nai Torah family healthy, happy and ready to enjoy the beauty of Summer.

Thank you, Jeff



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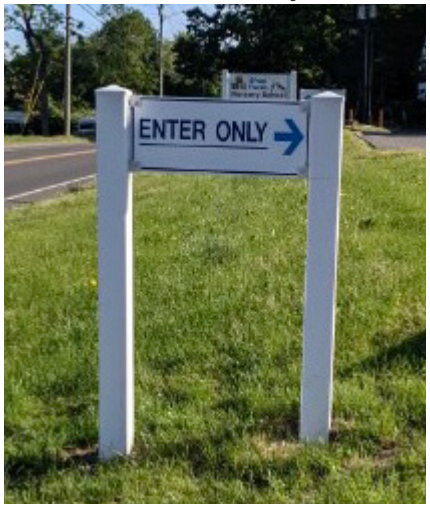

NEWS FROM THE NURSERY SCHOOL

Submitted by Joan Watnick, Director

Our eight week camp program is underway with happy campers splashing in the water table and running through our sprinkler.Weekly themes are presented through art, books, music, puzzles and even snack. Shabbat celebrations on Friday are a highlight of our week all year long.

Here are some pictures illustrating the many fun and stimulating activities our preschoolers enjoy.

Register now to save your child's spot at B'nai Torah Nursery School for the 2021-2022 school year.

Programs available for 2, 3 and 4 year-olds

Contact Joan Watnick, Director: 203-268-0227 or nursery@bnaitorahct.org

FROM THE OFFICE

Submitted by Robin Magilnick, Office Manager

In the heat of the summer it is hard to believe that fall is right around the corner. Now is the time to make sure you keep an eye out for the Talmud Torah registration forms for the new school year. They will be emailed to you shortly and we would appreciate a speedy return. This helps us have everything prepared for your students before school begins.

While I'm talking about school don't forget to spread the word about our wonderful nursery school program. Registration forms are rolling in for our 2021-2022 school year but there are a few spots left. We have classes for 2, 3 and 4 year-olds.

Thank you to everyone who responded to the calendar emails to place listings and ads for 5782/2021-2022.

SAVE THE DATE for the 47th annual CROP walk.
October 27

B'NAI MITZVAH

Meira began studying with Rabbi Colin in September 2020 and will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah this September. Meira has three older sisters, Kendall, Aldyn, and Brielle and will be entering eighth grade at Middlebrook School in Wilton this fall. Meira excelled in her studies this year making the best of learning from home while remaining focused on her passion for dance, with a concentration in and love for ballet. Meira is dedicated to her adopted rescue pup Houston who she trains and cares for and just took in her first foster pup Jack.

Meira has incredible energy and fully engages and commits to everything she does. She is a joyful, strong, smart, independent and determined young woman. Meira loves school and also the warmth and fun of summers, sleep away camp, dancing, swimming, classic music, cooking, sewing, reading, hanging out with her sisters and nights around the fire pit.

We love you Mimi and support you in all of your endeavors and adventures and know you will succeed at anything you put your mind to!

Meira Flavin
September 24-25

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L'CHAIM 2021

Submitted by Anita Rosnick

We recently held a Virtual Gala to honor Rabbi Colin Brodie. Rabbi Colin has been our spiritual leader and friend for eighteen years. He has earned this honor for all that he has accomplished at B'nai Torah as well as in the community. We also celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination as a rabbi from the Jewish Theological Seminary.

The gala was comprised of three major events, each of which involved extensive planning. The festivities began on Saturday evening with a beautiful virtual Havdalah service expertly led by Laura Petshaft. Candles were generously donated to those who requested them. Many of the service attendees took the opportunity to surprise Rabbi Colin with an artistic rendition of the light he sparks for them.

On Sunday morning the parking lot was the site of a BT "car parade". As cars drove past, Rabbi Colin had the opportunity to stroll through the parking lot, connecting with many members who he has not seen in quite a long time. There were many smiles and happy faces, and even some children protruding out of car roofs! Henry Davidson and Linda Shames did a wonderful job of managing the traffic crawl and keeping things moving.

The main event took place on Sunday evening. Fred Knopf did an outstanding job as our MC. Starting with his comical opening during which he "searched" the building for our honoree, he then made his grand entrance. Fred kept us smiling throughout the presentation. We were entertained by the "Guru of Laughter" Joyce Saltman, as well as the musical genius of Grammy Award nominee jazz saxophonist Dave Koz. Roz Friedman created original lyrics for a song entitled, "Rabbi Colin Here's to You". Singers included Shelley Berman, Jayne de Gant, Laurie Raccuia and myself. Musical accompaniment was provided by Linda Shames.

Thanks to the many Diamond, Gold and Silver sponsors who took the opportunity to submit videos and written messages to Rabbi Colin. We apologize for those personal greetings and listings which, for technological and production time constraints, were not able to be included in the initial viewing. We appreciate the generosity of our many friends and corporate supporters as well. Special thanks to my co-chair Linda Schulman and the committee who helped to make this all happen including: Gale Antell, Judy Cooper, Charlotte Denenberg, Roz Friedman, Susan Jewsbury, Laura Petshaft, Beth Schwartz and Linda Shames. Amanda Wendt's stellar technical expertise was responsible for the delivery of and smooth transitions throughout the presentation, including from speeches to musical performances to donor acknowledgements.

Reverend Sara of nOURish Bridgeport took the opportunity to express her deep appreciation of Rabbi Colin and how much he and B'nai Torah mean to her organization. Coincidentally, she was celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of her clerical ordination that same weekend. Thanks to the generosity of so many supporters we were able to provide nOURish Bridgeport a financial donation, along with four carloads of non-perishable groceries. Thank you to Gale Antell, Charlotte Denenberg, Linda Schulman and Margery Verlezza for transporting those items to the Bessemer Center.

The weekend was a huge success. So many members of our immediate and extended community shared in the opportunity to honor and show their appreciation for OUR special rabbi and OUR synagogue.

L'Chaim!

(L to R) Gale Antell, Charlotte Denenberg, Reverend Sara, Margery Verlezza and Linda Schulman worked very hard on the food drive in Rabbi Colin's honor

Gale Antell ready to bring donations to the food pantry

Gertie Verlezza happily helping with the food drive

Food pantry volunteers

The students were so happy to see Rabbi Colin at his car parade

Some of the many community members who joined to celebrate Rabbi Colin

Vicki Tesoro

David Weisberg

Reverend Sara

Shelley Kreiger

(L to R) Anita Rosnick, Shelley Berman, Laurie Raccuia, Jayne de Gant seranaded Rabbi Colin

Joyce Saltman, "The Guru of Comedy"

Fred Knopf sporting his "Zoom" attire

Dave Koz, renowned jazz saxophonist

nOURish BRIDGEPORT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

nOURish BRIDGEPORT NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Do you like helping to make a difference in the community, meeting other people, making new friends and most importantly, assisting those less fortunate?

If so...come and volunteer!

Volunteers are needed at the following programs:

1. Food Pantry/Baby Center - Every Monday & Wednesday between 10 AM and 6 PM, Help needed unloading/organizing food deliveries, bagging and distributing food, diapers, and delivering to people in need of food who do not have transportation.

2. Stratfield Saturday Market - Help needed every Saturday through October 9 from 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM, assisting with; set up, break down, sales, vendor and customer assistance.

TO HELP CHANGE LIVES, SIGN UP TODAY AND BRING A FRIEND!

If interested, please e-mail us at NourishBridgeport@gmail.com

HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!

GOOD NEWS FROM ISRAEL

Submitted by Paul Antell

The following are only some of the highlights of the GOOD NEWS FROM ISRAEL.

MEDICAL NEWS

Trials for Covid-19 wonder treatment. The EXO-CD24 Covid treatment invented by doctors at Israel's Sourasky (Ichilov) Medical Center, is to begin Phase 2 trials in Greece on 90 patients. If successful, the treatment could be available to treat patients in India and Brazil by the end of 2021.

Israeli vaccine news. Israel's Institute for Biological Research (IIBR) anticipates commencing Phase 3 of its coronavirus vaccine trials soon – probably in Argentina as 30,000 unvaccinated volunteers are required. A new trial may be launched to test if the two-shot vaccine could be combined into a higher dose single shot.

Transformative treatment for Cystic Fibrosis. Israel's SpliSense is developing mRNA-altering therapies for cystic fibrosis (CF) and other genetic pulmonary diseases. SpliSense founder Professor Batsheva Kerem was part of the Hebrew University team that identified the CFTR gene and developed the CF therapy.

Molecule protects implants. Researchers from Tel Aviv University have developed an active molecule (SNV) that can significantly suppress inflammation and resulting bone destruction following dental implants. SNV was originally developed to treat Alzheimer's disease but was tested on implants by a dentist for her PhD thesis.

Protein from mosquitos could treat brain disorders. Scientists at Israel's Weizmann Institute have used a light-sensitive protein derived from mosquitos to regulate the pathways connecting parts of the brain. They believe that the discovery may lead to treatments for neurological disorders such as epilepsy.

Breakthrough app warns of heart failure. Israel's Cordio Medical has been granted breakthrough device designation by the US FDA for its HearO smartphone app that gives early warning of congestive heart failure by detecting subtle changes in voice tone. It could save millions of lives every year.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Google is radical about Israel. Israel is to be Google's first non-US "Moonshot Lab", developing radical "Deep Tech" ideas in areas such as ag-tech, clean energy, and robotics. Google X Head of Strategy Adi Aron Gilat will return to Israel. She will recruit up to 20 scientists who will also collaborate with Israeli universities.

Virus resistant tomatoes. Israel's TomaTech has a range of tomato varieties with intermediate resistance to the brown rugose fruit virus (ToBRFV) that is ruining 50% of global tomato crops. TomaTech has now filed a patent for the DNA markers that identify high resistance traits.

Nail it every time. Israel's Nimble has developed a home robot for automatic nail polish application. It uses 3D imaging and artificial intelligence to paint and dry your nails. Select a color, insert nail polish capsules and then your hand. After 3D-scanning, a robotic arm paints the nails in four coats, dried by hot air in only ten minutes.

Nothing new under the Sun. Israel's Shahar Solutions, founded by Ariel University Professor Gadi Golan and Natan Shahar have made a device to capture 100% of carbon dioxide emissions from engines and power plants. Then solar energy, plus the 1897 Sabatier process, converts the CO_2 into methane to feed back into power plants.

Free-wheeling partners. Israel's REE Automotive has extended its partnership with Toyota subsidiary Hino Motors to include electric commercial vehicles for transporting people and goods. REE is also partnering with French self-driving systems company Navya to develop a level 4 autonomous vehicle system.

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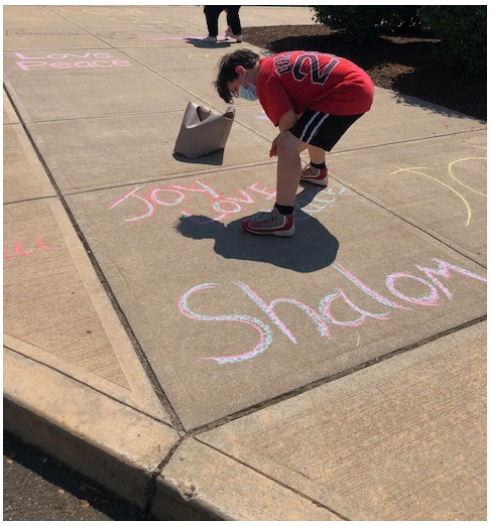
CHALK THE WALK: A B'NAI TORAH AND BETH EL FAIRFIELD PROGRAM

Submitted by Jeff Zakim

On a bright, sunny and hot early June morning members of B'nai Torah and Congregation Beth El Fairfield gathered at Jewish Senior Services (JSS) for a fun event. "Chalk The Walk" was put together as part of the ongoing collaborative initiatives between our two Conservative congregations. With plenty of sidewalk chalk in hand, kids of all ages created and shared messages of hope, love and kindness for JSS residents and visitors. Messages of congratulations were also made to the Merkaz 2021 graduating class - which includes four BT students (Julia Hirsch, Rachel Levinson, Gabe Petshaft and Nathan Zakim).

Families from B'nai Torah and Beth El gathered together to chat and enjoy a beautiful morning of fun, collaboration and kindness. These events are intended to build greater community, develop new friendships, and encourage new experiences within our Jewish community. The B'nai Torah programming committee that helped put this together consists of Linda Shames, Jaime Smolin and Jeff Zakim.



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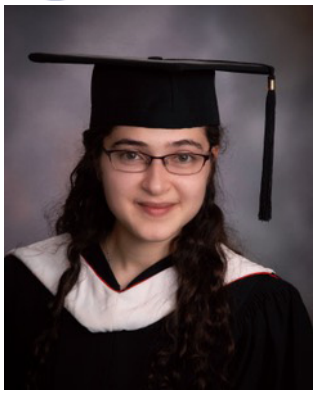

Madeleine Rose Cahn

Madeleine Rose Cahn (daughter of Sid and Laura Cahn) - Brandeis University - Bachelor of Arts in Classical Studies with highest honors and Mathematics, Near Eastern and Judaic Studies minor, magna cum laude
Recipient of two prizes:
(1) Richard Kaufman ’58 Memorial Prize for Leadership and Academic Excellence
(2) David S. Wiesen Memorial Prize for Excellence in Classical Studies

Jacob Fried

Jacob Fried (son of Steve and Natalie Fried) - Tufts University - BS in Quantitative Economics

Jason Wiles (grandson of Sy and Roberta Hirsch) - University of Connecticut Graduate School of Business MBA in Data Analytics;Quantitative Analysis

OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Julia Hirsch (daughter of Matt and Jen Hirsch) - graduated Masuk High School - will attend University of Pittsburgh as a neuroscience major

Alex Patrick (son of Mike and Michelle Patrick) - graduated Masuk High School - will attend Eastern Connecticut State University

Nathan Zakim (son of Jeff and Judy Zakim) graduated Fairfield Warde High School - will attend Ithaca College, Roy H. Park School of Communications. Major in writing for film, television and emerging media.

Nathan Zakim

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MERKAZ GRADUATION - JUNE 6, 2021

Submitted by Jeff Zakim

(L to R): Nathan Zakim, Julia Hirsch and Gabe Petshaft

At a beautiful, sunny late afternoon outdoor ceremony held at Jewish Senior Services (JSS), seventeen amazing students graduated as part of the 2021 Merkaz class. Of those seventeen, four represented B'nai Torah: Julia Hirsch, Rachel Levinson, Gabe Petshaft and Nathan Zakim.

The mission of Merkaz is to provide a meaningful and relevant Jewish education to our community teens that builds character, positive values, leadership, a strong Jewish identity and creates a sense of unity with the Jewish people.

All of the graduating class participated with songs, words, music and prayer. Nathan and Julia have provided copies of their respective speeches to share with B'nai Torah.

"What Merkaz Means to Me" - Graduation Speech, by Nathan Zakim

It is not easy to put four years of experience at Merkaz into so few words. I am sure I speak on behalf of the entire 2021 graduating class when I say that there is no perfect combination of consonants and vowels that can summarize all of our experiences together.

I remember my first Merkaz class. I was nervous and scared to be in a new synagogue with new people. However scary it was, this feeling of unfamiliarity I felt was only momentary. I soon found great comfort among all students and teachers at Merkaz, all of whom were together to celebrate and enrich our Jewish heritage. Though the years have passed and classes have changed each semester, the unified love for our religion has always united us.

Week by week, people from all over the county and state came together to take part in this beautiful experience. So many different

MERKAZ GRADUATION CONTINUED

people were all in one place for the same thing: Merkaz.

Unfortunately, a year and a few months ago, just about everything changed. In the world, our town, and in our Hebrew school, we quickly saw the global pandemic affect us in ways we could have never imagined. For us young adults, we had to come to terms with a new normal, one that changed the way we interacted and learned.

This, of course, had an effect on our shared Merkaz experience. In one of the quickest turnarounds I have ever seen, this community came together to adapt to the obstacles imposed on us. Utilizing Zoom and the virtual meeting formats, we were still able to unite each week, coming together to be a part of the wonderful classes we know and love.

While this format of Merkaz was all new and all different, it provided a needed consistency to our lives. Tuesday nights at Merkaz were always the highlights of my week, but during this pandemic, it felt so very needed.

In a world fraught with so much negativity, warring, and death, it brought me great peace to be able to converse with my friends and loved ones over these calls. Although I very much would have preferred giving hugs in person, Zoom reactions and chat features sufficed.

So, after our long and wonderful years here, the question remains: What does Merkaz mean to me? It means everything! It is my greatest hope that this graduating class will hold our years of experience together close to the heart, forever remembering the fun times we had together at Merkaz.

Thank you all, and a special shoutout to Shelley Kreiger and Margery Verlezza for making these years so fun.

"Community of Merkaz" Graduation Speech, by Julia Hirsch

I have been in Merkaz for all four years of high school. In all those four years, I have experienced the feel of a tight-knit community in the school. I made friends from many different synagogues and towns, and it was so easy to make these friends. Everyone is so welcoming and friendly. It is one of the best communities I have experienced.

The sense of community doesn't stop at the students. Through Merkaz, we extend this community and care to other citizens of the town, including the residents of the JSS. One of my personal favorite classes I've taken at Merkaz was Better Together, in which the students find ways to work with the residents and sometimes even walk a mile in their shoes. We would share stories, talk about interests, do crafts, and create great intergenerational bonds.

Even students not in the class could interact with the residents, due to celebrations such as the Hanukkah celebration, where we would decorate cookies together or build things out of Legos. Either way, it's a great program for outreach, and a great educational experience for everyone involved.

Extended from that, I have worked with a program that started during the pandemic, called Merkaz Mobile Mitzvot. On the board of the Tikkun Olam organization, there are both faculty and Merkaz students of all grades. We work to create community projects, both geared towards the residents, and the community as a whole. We have done drive by events at JSS, we have made planters for JSS residents, and have held drive-in movies to bring the community together.

As you can see, Merkaz is all about community, care, and service, and I have never felt such a close and welcoming community. Thank you.

Congratulations Merkaz Graduates

The Hirsch family

The Petshaft family

The Zakim family

TALMUD TORAH

Submitted by Beth Tepper, Director of Education BTTT

Growth, happiness, learning, trying new tasks, discovering facts and most importantly, coming together…. OH, what a year it has been!

Our past academic year has been a lot of firsts, but it will not be a total year of lasts! Covid and closing, to remote learning and unifying.

B'nai Torah Talmud Torah flourished with an eager staff and our ever so energetic students and families. We should all kvell, our community is wonderful!

Our thanks to a gracious group of parents who helped to navigate space and time for their children. You all put "Judaism in the house!" You demonstrated how and what we do Judaically; it is in our homes, it is in our lives and it is within all of us! We were reminded of what is really important, that even when we are not in the physical space of a synagogue, we are all proud Jews.

This magical year took us to online learning, creation of new lessons and dealing with technology in ways that we just never imagined. Our staff went above the call of duty to do what they love…"teach our students". 2020-2021 often directed our teachers to adjust a topic, discuss an event, review a lesson or "just let it go". There is none as talented as our staff at B'nai Torah! We also had some live meeting opportunities that helped us to remember the importance of our connections. We gave to tzedakah, celebrated, learned and grew. Although not the year we envisioned, together we celebrated simchas, Haggim and B'nai Mitzvah online or in person. We graduated a class of super seniors and promoted a group of eighth graders, had a field day with Lag Ba'Omer games, we had a day of Mitzvot, spent Purim at the Zoo… and we did this together as a community!

2020/2021 has changed the face of our Judaism by reminding us that our learning is worth the effort, our children are pliable and we can and will navigate together as one strong Jewish community! Thank you to our wonderful Rabbi, our lay leaders and our families for making B'nai Torah a priority.

Please look forward to receiving your registration forms soon! We are so happy to announce, tuition will remain free for the 2021/2022 school year with all full membership terms being met! Thank you to the BT Board for maintaining this wonderful opportunity for all of our members. Tell your friends, join us in our wonderful community... where families come first!

Have a wonderful and healthy summer.

TWO SPECIAL WRITERS

We would like to extend a very special yasher koach to two extraordinary volunteers. For many years Shirley Cohen has been responsible for sending out personal notes to B'nai Torah members and friends on behalf of Rabbi Colin and the congregation. She has hand written countless messages extending condolences or acknowledging and celebrating simchas. Bonnie Lobel has worked tirelessly to manage donations that members and friends have made to the various funds, also in memory of individuals or in recognition of a special event such as a wedding, new baby or B'nai Mitzvah. There are numerous funds including the Cornerstone Building Fund, the Rabbi's Fund or Nursery School Fund, to name just a few. Shirley & Bonnie have both exhibited amazing attention to detail and organizational skills and both deserve our sincere thanks and appreciation for all they have done for so long as they "retire" from these positions. If you feel a card should be sent on behalf of the congregation, please notify Robin in the office. As technology has moved along, you are now able to log onto your personal ShulCloud account and make a donation to any available fund you so choose. All support is most encouraged and welcomed!

CARDS SENT BY RABBI COLIN AND THE CONGREGATION

Anita (Hal) Rosnick on the passing of her mother Irma Batt

Harold Batt on the passing of his wife Irma Batt

Chuck Batt on the passing of his mother Irma Batt

Juliette & Mark Zuckerman on the passing of Juliette's father Martin Steuer

Jay & Barbara Resnick on the passing of Jay's mother Binny Resnick

Michael and Beverly Fein on the birth of their third grandchild, Amalyah

Ariel Fein and Rabbi Simeon Cohen on the birth of their first child, Amalyah

Michael and Sandy Soson on the birth of their first grandchild Camden Jeffrey Crary

Howard and Karen Knepler on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Jakob Knepler

Scott and Sheila Charmoy on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Monica Charmoy

Sandy Young on the Bat Mitzvah of her granddaughter Leni Charrette

Lisa Becker on the Bar Mitzvah of her son Jacob Becker

Roni (Sheldon) Yessenow on the passing of Jules Lasner, the beloved husband of Anita and father of Roni (Sheldon) and Howard (Marti), grandfather of Sara, Rachel (Yuvak) and Rebecca (Justin), Stephanie and Vanya.

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Yahrzeit of Rose Hirsh Silberstein, from Stanley Silverstein and Jane Smiley

Yahrzeit of Celia Schneider, from Marilyn Levi

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