COMMUNITY AND GROWTH. That’s really what it has been about for me these past two years as President of CDT.

I’ve wanted people to get to know each other and feel comfortable at CDT, whether at services, at our programs, in our grief, and in sharing our joy. It started by me opening up to all of you with my Jewish journey talk at Rosh Hashanah services in September 2015. I shared my struggles and my background, and I invited all of you to join me on whatever journey you were on as well.

Navigating through the illness and death of our beloved Gina Fried, z”l in late 2015 and early 2016 was painful for so many. It was important for me to be able to be as much of a comfort and presence as I could be during that time. It was also during this time that we supported each other in our mutual grief and became even more of a kehillah, a community.

In pursuit of this value of kehillah, I decided to call every single household to wish people a shana tova. There was no hidden agenda; I just wanted to connect with the membership and let you know I was thinking about you.

With this renewed sense of community has also come wonderful growth for CDT as a shul. Rabbi Shahar Colt was brought in half-time for her first year (2015–2016) and became full-time last year as the Director of Congregational Learning. She directs the religious school, coordinates the Got Shabbat program and holiday programs, and creates other adult and teen educational programs of interest, including her Talmud series. This spring, we negotiated a new three-year contract with Rabbi Shahar (thank you to Lisa Schneier and Peter Katz for their immense help).

Last year, we were able to bring Alison Lobron on as an Inclusion Coordinator for the religious school, in a role that has been so helpful to our teachers, children, and parents.

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Our membership has increased to, currently, 209 households. Our administrative support has also grown. This spring we increased Lidia Pruente’s hours to that of a full-time staff member (office assistant) for both the synagogue and the religious school. She has quickly become a wonderful and valued part of the team.

We are currently examining ways in which we can reflect and share different aspects of our diversity as a community, including economic, racial, and special needs inclusion. There are task forces currently looking into these areas, and we hope that these topics will be explored more fully with the congregation in the next 12-18 months.

We, as a congregation, voted to become a “Level 2” sanctuary congregation and assist those whose lives are in precarious positions, working with The Parish of St. Paul in Newton. At the core, we remain “pursuers of justice”—civically, religiously, through political activism, or through acts of kindness and chesed. It is gratifying to see the power of people’s actions and caring.

I was helped and supported a great deal by my executive boards (thank you to: Ora, Allison, Mel, Lissy, Lisa, Doron, David, Ellen, and Cliff) and the at-large board members, and from Rabbi Toba, who patiently and lovingly guided me along the way.

And last, but certainly not least, I was given “wings to fly” from my wife Susie Tanchel who graciously accommodated me by altering her very busy schedule so I could attend all the meetings I did, be on the phone, and prepare for meetings.

I was honored to serve our community these past two years. Thank you to all of you who supported me, encouraged me, and gave me a smile or a hug along the way. It meant a lot to me.

You will be in great hands as Lissy Medvedow takes the reins on August 1. She is competent, organized, smart, and kind. We are lucky to have her!

Enjoy your summer,

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**Rabbinic Liaison Committee**

The Rabbinic Liaison Committee exists to ensure the maintenance of a good working relationship between our rabbi and the congregation. While congregants are always welcome and encouraged to discuss questions or concerns directly with Rabbi Toba, they may at times feel more comfortable talking to the Rabbinic Liaison committee. Issues raised by congregants are discussed confidentially and, when appropriate, are shared with the Rabbi in a constructive manner. To discuss a question or concern, contact Cindy Shulak-Rome, Rabbinic Liaison Chair at cbsrome@comcast.net.
Shabbat and Holidays

**SUMMER SHABBAT SERVICES SCHEDULE**
During the months of July and August, we hold two Shabbat mornings services each month, plus one all-ages erev Shabbat service in the month of August (there is no all-ages service in July). Weekly Shabbat morning services resume on September 2.

**SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES**
_Saturdays, July 8, July 22, August 5, and August 12
9:45 am - noon, followed by Kiddush lunch_

Shabbat morning services are led by CDT members in July, and Rabbi Toba returns in August. Join us for song and silence, prayer and reflection, and Torah study.

**BAT TORAH OF SANDY SEDACCA**
_Saturday, August 5, 9:45 am - noon_
At this Shabbat morning service, we will call Sandy Sedacca to the Torah as she becomes an adult _Bat Torah_! Sandy will leyn from Torah, chant haftarah, and share teachings about her Torah portion with us. All are welcome to the celebration!

**BAT MITZVAH OF LUCY ROSE ENGELS**
_Saturday, August 12, 9:45 am - noon_
Please join us on August 12 as our daughter Lucy Rose Engels is called to the Torah as a _Bat Mitzvah_. Lucy will be a seventh grader at the Cambridge Street Upper School in Cambridge this fall. She is an avid reader and writer, and enjoys performing in plays and in her school chorus group. She also plays the piano and is just beginning to explore the acoustic guitar. For her Tikkun Olam project, she has been helping to prepare and serve dinner for homeless adults in Harvard Square. We welcome you to join us for a festive kiddush luncheon at FUSN following services. —Karen and Reinhard Engels

**TISHA B’AV**
_Monday, July 31, 8:00-9:30 pm
60 Highland Street, Living Room_

The Ninth of Av marks the deepest day of mourning on the Jewish calendar: a fast day when we remember the destruction of both Temples in Jerusalem, as well as other moments of loss and exile in Jewish history. It is traditional to chant the book of Lamentations, and recite special poem-songs of loss and sadness. Tisha b’Av is also a turning point in the Jewish calendar, for immediately afterwards we begin counting seven weeks to Rosh Hashanah—weeks of comfort and preparation for renewal. At this evening program, we will hear portions of Lamentations, sing contemplative songs, and explore together the brokenness in our hearts and in our world as we prepare for the work of tikkun, repair.

Unless noted otherwise, all Shabbat programs are held at the Dorshei Tzedek prayer space: 60 Highland Street in The Second Church of Newton, West Newton. Shabbat morning services are held weekly, starting at 9:45 am. Free childcare is available during Shabbat morning services in room 112. For the comfort and health of our members and guests, we ask everyone attending our services to avoid wearing fragrances (perfume, cologne, hair and body sprays).
Community

MAZEL TOV
To Caleb Schwartz and his family, on becoming Bar Mitzvah!

To David Felson, on receiving the 2017 Carol Nachman Prize for Rheumatology!

To Laurie Goldman, on winning the “Dan Halbert” Super Volunteer Award!

To Linda Kramer and Steve Zisk on their marriage, and to Sam, Sara and David!

To Dianne Lior, on the birth of her grandson, Kai Ezra Rosenkrans!

To Lissy Medvedow and Cliff Cohen, on the marriage of their daughter Olivia to Aron Susman!

Mazel tov and Yasher Ko’ach to the CDT 2017-18 incoming Executive Board, Off-Board Chairs, and Board Members-at-Large. We wish you much success in leading and guiding our community in the coming year (see names and positions on page 2)!

TODAH RABBAH
Hamon Todot (many thanks!) and Kol HaKavod to the 5777 (2016-17) CDT Executive Board, Off-Board Chairs, and Members-At-Large:


A huge Todah Rabbah to all those who helped make such a wonderful 2017 CDT Retreat: Allison Andrews, retreat coordinator; Susan Silberberg, for arranging the housing; Dan Halbert, for registration and tech support; Doron Gan and Jen Levine-Fried, for planning and budgeting help; Carole Slipowitz and Alison Lobron, for special needs inclusion support; Emily and David Shumsky, for art supplies and more; David Schatz, for schlepping ritual items; James Kaplan and Jennifer Nichols, for organizing the talent show; Tal Shalom-Kobi, for every sort of musical support; and everyone who helped out with registration, programs, music, and more!

Todah Rabbah to everyone who helped with Shabbat set-up/clean-up in May and June: Becca Gutman, Susan Nitkin, Rob Saper, Miriam Bronstein, Louise Enoch & Alan Epstein, Gail Pressberg, Sheree Galpert, Stuart Snyder, Allison Peiser, Idit Klein, Margo Michaels.

NEW MEMBERS
We give a hearty CDT welcome to the following new members Becca and Aongus O Murchadha, and their children, Una (5) and Conall (2)

And a special “welcome back” to Audra Karp and Deb Albenberg and their children, Ila and Evelyn!

Please notify the Newsletter of life cycle events, significant accomplishments, or other moments you would like to share with the community. (See page 2 for details.)

PARTY IN THE PARK:
FUN, GAMES, AND FOOD FOR CDT MEMBERS, FRIENDS, AND VISITORS
Sunday, August 20, 11:00 am–1:00 pm
Auburndale Cove, Newton

This is a fun and relaxed opportunity to introduce your friends and acquaintances to the CDT community and our religious school, while getting to know other CDT members better at the same time. We are especially seeking more children for our preschool through second grade classes, so tell a friend, spread the word, and join us yourselves! The party will feature a kosher cook-out and outdoor games, and a chance to hang out with Rabbi Shahar.

CDT-FUSN DONATION GARDEN:
HELP NEEDED

Our garden in Waltham is back this year, with better weed and critter-repelling tactics. We’re hoping for an increase in yield from 200 to 400 pounds, which will be donated to local food pantries and soup kitchens. Many hands make light work, so if you’re interested in helping please contact Laya at lasword@rcn.com, Carole at carole@slipowitz.org or Judy at judyhersh5@gmail.com to get on our email list. See you at the garden!
Community Events

CDT FILM CLUB
On hiatus until the fall!

See you in the fall! Contact the co-chairs, Stan Fleischman and Emily Sper, film-club@dorsheitzedek.org, for more information or if you’d like to host a film.

CDT TRIP TO SPAIN!
April 16-25, 2018
Indicate your interest by July 31, 2017

We are planning a trip, scheduled for next spring, to learn about the history of Jewish Spain. Our scholar-in-residence on the trip will be Rabbi Leila Gal Berner, ordained at the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, who also holds a Ph.D in the history of medieval Spanish Jewry. You can see the itinerary and estimated cost, and learn more about Rabbi Berner at https://dorsheitzedek.org/spain-trip-2018.

This trip is geared towards adults and older teens (those who won’t be bored by lectures about Jewish history). We need to see if we have enough participants to make it a “go” – on the web page there are instructions for indicating your interest in the trip.

Please do so no later than July 31, so we can confirm in August that the trip will be happening (and if we get enough sign-ups sooner than the end of July, Rabbi Toba will let those who have indicated interest know). PLEASE go to the web page first and read everything; if you still have questions, feel free to contact Rabbi Toba.

CDT HIKES...MT. MONADNOCK!
Sunday, July 9
Hike begins around 10:30 am
Meet at Second Church Parking Lot, 9:00 am

Join CDT Hikes as we climb Mt. Monadnock on Sunday, July 9. We will get an early start, leaving from the Second Church Parking lot promptly at 9 am. It is a 90 minute drive to the White Dot trailhead at the parking area at the Monadnock State Park Headquarters, so you could also meet us there at 10:30.

This will be our last big hike before taking off the month of August. Monadnock claims to be the second most climbed mountain in the world, after Mt. Fuji! Feel free to let us know if you have heard of other “most climbed mountains.” It usually takes 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 hours for reasonably fit people to make the round trip, including a break at the top. There is definitely some scrambling over boulders and rock formations near the top, so bring good hiking shoes. It can also be windy and a lot cooler at the top, so dress in layers, bring water, a lunch or a snack for the top. Don’t forget bug spray and sunscreen! And Monadnock doesn’t allow dogs on the trail. No need to RSVP, just show up. In case of possible rain, we will post to the listserv by 8:15 a.m whether we will be cancelling.

Any questions, please contact:
Richard Gomberg: richardgomberg@gmail.com, Diana Gomberg: dfgomberg@gmail.com, Stuart Snyder: sls@snyderlegal.com, or Marc Steinberg: marc@metaphasia.com.

Sinagoga de Córdoba, built in 1315. Photo by Barry Ingber.
**RRC RESOURCES**

**MINUTE LESSONS**
Get your three-minute Torah fix any time with the latest podcast by rabbinical student Sandra Lawson. Check out Minute Lessons From the Torah online, iTunes, Google Play, or Stitcher.

**KADDISH: A PODCAST ON DEATH AND MOURNING**
RRC student Ariana Katz has promoted honest and open discussion of death, believing that confronting mortality can help people live more meaningful lives. The tagline for her podcast is “Sometimes Your Shiva Minyan is Digital.”


**NEW RESOURCES FROM RITUALWELL**
This year, counting the Omer at Ritualwell means sharing new songs, poems, prayers, blog posts, and meditations each week. Peruse the latest Omer material at: www.ritualwell.org/counting-omer/.

**RECONSTRUCTIONISM TODAY!**

**CONNECT!**
Join members of other Reconstructionist congregations on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram for wisdom, news and special announcements.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/RRCommunity
Twitter: www.twitter.com/rrcommunity
Instagram: www.instagram.com/reconstructionistjudaism

**JEWISH RECONSTRUCTIONIST COMMUNITIES TRIP TO ISRAEL**
Jewish Reconstructionist Communities (JRC) is partnering with IsraelExperts to offer an Israel trip open to all members of Reconstructionist communities in March 2018. IsraelExperts is a leader in designing Israel itineraries that are sophisticated and thoughtful. They’ve proposed an itinerary for us that emphasizes art, music, and politics, taking us off the beaten path and into face-to-face conversations with Jewish-Israelis and Palestinian-Israelis, including musicians, educators, activists, journalists, and politicians.

If you are interested in the trip, please visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/P9NSXH2 and answer a few short questions so we can keep you posted. You’re also welcome to contact Maurice Harris, in the Department of Affiliate Support, at mharris@rrc.edu or call 215-576-0800 x.118.

**HEVREH 3**
*July 19-23*
*Waynesboro, PA*
Hevreh is back for a third summer for adults seeking to broaden their Jewish experience through study, prayer, spiritual renewal and growth with leading Jewish scholars, including Rabbi David Teutsch, Ph.D. and Rabbi Jacob Staub, Ph.D.

Participants will study with master teachers of Judaica; reflect and rejuvenate; pray, sing and dance, reconnect with friends and make new ones; encounter nature; and celebrate Shabbat! For more information, please visit Hevreh’s website: www.hevreh.net.

**SAVE THE DATE! PLAN TO ATTEND! RECONSTRUCTIONIST CONVENTION**
*November 15-18, 2018*
*Philadelphia, PA*
Join with other Reconstructionists to sing, pray, learn, eat and be together. Strengthen our networks and deepen our connections. Celebrate the movement and 50 years of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College. More details to follow.

**JEWISH SOCIAL JUSTICE GAP YEAR IN PORTLAND, OREGON!**
Tivnu Gap Year participants discover the Pacific Northwest, connect Jewish life and social justice through individualized internships, and live together in beautiful Portland, Oregon. Young adults develop confidence, purpose, and skills for farming, teaching, building, and advocating. Build a caring home, a compassionate city and a country in which all are included. Learn more: www.tivnu.org, info@tivnu.org or call 503.292.1864. Tivnu: tools to build a better world.

**NEXT SUMMER: NEW RECONSTRUCTIONIST CAMP**
Camp JRF (now known as Camp Havayah!) recently announced plans to open a film and arts-based specialty camp in Southern California. The camp is slated to open in 2018, with the goal of providing high-level arts programming within the Jewish, values-based community for which Camp JRF is known. To learn more, please visit www.rrc.edu/news-media/news/coming-soon-new-reconstructionist-camp.
PRISON BOOK PROGRAM VOLUNTEER NIGHT

**Tuesday, August 1, 6:30-9:00 pm**

**by Barbara Shatkin**

Our next volunteer night at the Prison Book Program (PBP), located at the United First Parish Church in Quincy, will happen on Tuesday, August 1, from 6:30–9 pm. If interested in participating, please go to CDT’s members sign-up page to volunteer. Volunteers can drive on their own or join a carpool from Newton, or take the Red Line to Quincy Center. Questions? Contact Barbara Shatkin at bfishatkin@aol.com.

Also, following CDT’s very successful book donation project last fall, where CDT members ordered unusual books requested by individual inmates, the PBP initiated a “PBP Wishlist” on Amazon. Donors can purchase books in response to particular requests made by inmates, as well as enhance the PBP’s supply of frequently requested books, including books on how to succeed outside of prison. If interested in donating a book, go to the Prison Book Program’s Facebook page; the first post contains the link to PBP’s wishlist on Amazon.

MOTHERS DAY WALK FOR PEACE UPDATE

**by Abby Cohen**

A huge THANK YOU to all the CDT members who supported the work of the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute May 14th during the annual Mothers Day Walk for Peace! Despite the heavy rain and strong winds, over 40 CDT members of all ages participated in the walk, some starting from the beginning point in Fields Corner, and together we contributed $2,350 to help fund their Intergenerational Justice Program, Statewide Survivors of Homicide Victims Network, and training for public health professionals and institutional stakeholders to respond equitably and effectively to families impacted by murder. Altogether the walk raised $279,797.50.
We gratefully acknowledge the following contributions.

**GENERAL FUND**
Diana Fisher Gomberg—*in memory of Lawrence Stephen Fisher*
Lauren Gibbs—*in memory of Mara Gibbs*
Judy and Chayim Herzig-Marx—*in honor of Jen Kaplan, our rabbis, and the board*
Steffi and Eric Karp
Susan Moser and Thea Breite—*in honor of the Dorshei Tzedek community*
Ellen Pashall
Amy Pollack-Howard—*in honor of CDT President Jen Kaplan*
Jo Ann Share and Rochelle Weichman
Carol Sklar—*in memory of Frances and Joseph Sklar*
Carole Slipowitz and Dan Halbert—*in memory of Mara Gibbs*
Jamie Tessler

**CAMP JRF FUND**

**RABBI’S DISCRETIONARY FUND**
Nessa Spitzer

**SCHOOL FUND**

**RETREAT FUND**

**HOLY BOOKS FUND**

**JILL VOLK TEACHER DEVELOPMENT FUND**

**BUILDING FUND**

There are many ways to financially support Congregation Dorshei Tzedek, including contributions to the General Fund or to targeted funds. The Rabbi’s Discretionary Fund is not part of the congregation’s operating expenses. Monies in this fund are used for *tzedakah* in the greater community, for special needs of the congregation (e.g., to buy books or help pay for an adult education program), and, most important, to help out congregants in need. The Jill Volk Teacher Development Fund provides scholarships for teachers in the Dorshei Tzedek religious school to receive professional development and training. Jill was one of the founders of our school and one of its first teachers; this fund allows her love of Jewish learning to continue to enrich our community.

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**2017 CDT Retreat Highlights**

*by Carrie Lent and Marjorie Salvodon*

Camp Yavneh is set in New Hampshire alongside a lake, isolated from the hustle and bustle of every-day life. Surrounded by acres upon acres of woodlands, it is the perfect location to unplug, unwind, have fun, and get to know folks from your congregation: the perfect location for a Dorshei Tzedek Retreat!

Some of the best things that happened over the course of two days included the outside games (like capture the flag, baseball, and softball), art projects (like making paper flowers, havdalah candles, and gimp), the talent show, and lots of yummy treats (think roasted marshmallows, cake, cookies, and ice cream!). As *Evan Gan* said, “it was a great opportunity to be outdoors, sleep in comfortable bunk houses, and enjoy the stars.” And, of course, get to know better the people in the congregation! When asked what the highlight of the retreat was for her, *Morah Devora* explained, “I met kids I didn’t know, and I saw the kids I did know in a different light. [There was] a wide range of choices regarding activities.”

Speaking of activities, each day provided a lot of fun, and many choices of things to do. Some people chose to launch bottle rockets by the baseball field (no baseballs were harmed during the launching of rockets!), some played sports like Newcomb ball; *Rabbi Toba* especially enjoyed “playing a well-matched softball game,” while others worked on the peace quilt, sang soulful Shabbat songs, swam, participated in a fascinating plant walk, did yoga outdoors, and attended religious services (while looking out at splendid trees through the windows). No matter what retreat participants chose for themselves, it was clear that all who attended had a wonderful time!
**Chesed**

Our congregation values Chesed, acts of loving-kindness, especially when members have a major life event such as the arrival of a child, death, injury or illness.

The Chesed Committee offers Dorshei Tzedek members the opportunity to experience the joys and blessings of Chesed as both receivers and givers. The Chesed Committee coordinates tasks such as meals, grocery shopping, and transportation to a medical appointment.

We post chesed tasks online on the LotsaHelpingHands (LHH) calendar. We encourage emails or phone calls between the volunteers and recipient families to confirm arrangements.

Sign up for LHH at: [http://tinyurl.com/SignUpLHH](http://tinyurl.com/SignUpLHH).


The Chesed Committee would like to thank everyone whose acts of kindness manifest the spirit of Chesed in our community.

The Chesed Coordinators for July are **Susan Nitkin** and **Benita Danzing**, and for August are **Elaine Landes** and **Amy Westebbe**. Contact them at chesed@dorsheitzedek.org.

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**Chesed For All**

**By Ellie Goldberg**

At the recent Members Meeting, **Elaine Landes** presented an update on the Chesed Committee’s activities.

The Committee has fourteen very engaged members dedicated to strengthening connections among ourselves and within our CDT community.

Every two months we rotate coordinator responsibilities that include managing chesed communication, posting requests on CDT’s LotsaHelpingHands Calendar (Chesed at CDT) for meals, rides and other assistance, and troubleshooting the process.

We have four pot luck dinner meetings per year where we focus on improving the chesed experience for givers and receivers. We rely on members’ feedback to help make chesed more efficient and meaningful.

We continuously refine our protocols while acknowledging that each situation is different. We hope it will facilitate chesed responses when we include the location in the posting so people within a geographic area find it easy to participate.

We have been working to increase chesed visibility with regular columns in the CDT newsletter. We have a Chesed (Caring Community) page on the CDT website ([https://dorsheitzedek.org/chesed-caring-community](https://dorsheitzedek.org/chesed-caring-community)). It includes references and inspirational articles to address concerns of both the giver and receiver and to inspire caring connections.

The Committee is always open to new members, especially men.

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**REFUAH SH’LEYMAH**

We send blessings for complete healing to **Thea Breite**, **Charlene Brotman**, **Marvin Brotman**, **Dan Karp**, **Marla Lichtman**, **Lissy Medvedow**, **Susan Moser**, **DB Reiff**, and **Jaime and Susana Wurzel**.

**YAHREZIT**

This month we remember CDT member **Evelyn Felson**, whose 11th yahrzeit falls on July 9. We will be remembering Evelyn at Shabbat morning services on July 8.

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**MOURNING AT CDT**


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Rabbi Toba will be on vacation for much of July and on retreat during one week in August. While she is away, Rabbi Shahar or an on-call rabbi will be available for rabbinic support. In addition, there will be CDT members coordinating shivah minyanim for anyone in need during those times. If you are in need of a rabbi or help with a death in the family, call 617-965-0330 x2 (Rabbi Toba’s extension); if she is out of town, there will be instructions to call the Chesed Coordinators, who will provide you with any necessary information and support, or email the coordinators at chesed@dorsheitzedek.org.
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KIDDUSH ASSIGNMENTS

JULY 8 Shabbat Morning Service: Lauren & Andrew Stefano / Ellie Goldberg

JULY 22 Shabbat Morning Service: Linda & Peter Katz / Karen Engels

AUG 3 All-ages Erev Shabbat Service & Potluck: Erica Streit-Kaplan / Carla Naumburg / Sara Dash

Kiddush Note: The complete kiddush and holiday assignment schedule is available in the members’ calendar on our website. Please remember to sign in to the site to access the calendar as well as all member-specific information. When notified of your dates, please be sure to put them into your personal calendars. The whole congregation counts on your participation in kiddush and each assigned person is needed and expected to show up. Thank you!

Parents of students in 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades, who generally help out with B’nei Mitzvah kiddush, ushering and sanctuary clean-up, can primarily find their names listed on B’nei Mitzvah dates.

No Fragrances, Please. So that Dorshei Tzedek events are accessible to all of our members and guests, we ask that people refrain from wearing fragrances (perfumes, scented oils, colognes, etc.) to all CDT events. While pleasant to some, fragrances can cause illness to those who are chemically sensitive. Thank you for your understanding and flexibility.
This and That...

Lidia Pruente shows off the very cool infant onesie given to congregants who are new parents. Photo by Vivienne Shein.

On June 10, we presented Rabbi Donna Kirshbaum of Women Wage Peace with the quilt squares our members made this year for WWP’s “Peace by Piece” project. Photo by Dan Halbert.

Red Sox-themed Shabbat potluck. Photo by Ezra Hausman.