

# TEMPLE TIMES

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## Temple Beth Shalom

Established 1953

Member United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

mitzvah

### What we have accomplished together.....

USY members work as a team to build the TBS Sukkah.



High Holiday Food Drive: TBS members donate 225 bags of groceries to the St. John's Food Pantry.

### What we are doing now.....

On Sunday, November 4, TBS families will help restore a memorial garden for the children and families at the Green Chimneys School.



This Hanukkah, we will light our menorahs, place them in the windows of our homes, and say a prayer for the captive Israeli soldiers.



TBS Adopt-a-Library Project will contribute new books about Israel to our local libraries.

Coming to  
**Temple Beth Shalom**  
in November/December 2007

**November 1**

LIMUD:

Dive into the Talmud, Part 1

**November 4**

Fall Mitzvah Day

**November 10**

Havdalah Dinner &  
TBS Movie Night

**November 18**

TBS Holiday Fair

**December 2**

Men's Club Event -  
Getting Your House in Order

**December 3**

LIMUD: What Happens  
When You Die



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## DON'T MISS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS OF THE YEAR!

### THE TBS MEN'S CLUB & PLAZA JEWISH CHAPEL PRESENT...



### GETTING YOUR HOUSE IN ORDER: PLANNING AHEAD FOR DIFFICULT TIMES

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2007

### 9:30 AM

For bereaved family members, it is not the best time to be absorbed in decisions concerning where the funeral will be held, who will officiate, where burial will occur, the content of an obituary, or the wishes of the deceased with respect to all of these questions. A great deal of time, money and emotional distress can be saved by planning ahead. Most importantly, the stressful question "Are we doing the right thing?" need not arise, if the wishes of the deceased are known. Answering that question at a time of emotional stress often leads to unnecessary spending. Planning ahead leads to true peace of mind. This is your chance to learn more and ask important questions!

*Temple Beth Shalom has cemetery plots available at beautiful  
Sharon Gardens in Valhalla.*

*A resting place of beauty, dignity and caring.*

*Sharon Gardens has been serving the Jewish community since 1953 and is considered to be one of the most beautiful and modern cemeteries for families of the Jewish faith. Its rural setting provides a serene and peaceful resting place with wide roads and paths for easy access.*



*Plots are available for \$1,000 each or \$1,850 a pair.  
Contact the temple office for more information.*



### Message from Rabbi Kalev



After the Jewish people had dwelled in the land of Israel for more than 1,000 years, the Seleucid Greeks occupied the land and outlawed Jewish religious practices. Their defeat by the Maccabees, a local band of Jewish warriors, is commemorated at Hanukkah.

But that's not really the whole story. Roughly 1,800 years ago the rabbis in ancient Israel decided not to base the celebration upon a military conquest. They prescribed that we read from Zechariah (the Haftarah) at Hanukkah, "Not by might, not by power, but by the spirit alone shall we all live in peace." They emphasized the miracle that after the Temple was restored, there was only enough oil to burn for one night, and yet the Temple lights burned for eight days. This miracle sustained the optimism, faith and determination of the Jewish people in exile.

In the last century, a new miracle occurred. Three years after the end of the Nazi Holocaust, the State of Israel was established. While there had been a small Jewish presence there throughout history, it was in the early 20th century that refugees from European oppression poured into British-held Palestine.

In 1917, the British government endorsed "the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people" in the Balfour Declaration. In 1948, the dream came to fruition. Like Hanukkah itself, the story is complex. Israel has suffered repeated attacks from its Arab neighbors. Following an unprovoked invasion in 1967, Israel secured lands along its borders to protect itself from

future attacks. These lands have now been a part of Israel for over 40 years. For as long as we can remember, Israel has seen repeated terrorist attacks against innocent Israeli civilians; with each attack, attempts to negotiate and establish a Palestinian state get sidetracked.

Still, we remember: "Not by might, not by power." We pray for the day we can dwell alongside our Palestinian brothers and sisters in peace. We remain confident that when Israel's neighbors recognize her right to exist, when the killing of Jews is no longer glorified in Arab schools, when terrorism is denounced once and for all, we can finally find a pathway to peace.

In the coming weeks, our country will be hosting a conference on the Middle East in Annapolis. It is still not certain which Arab countries will attend. We can only hope and pray that the parties present at the conference understand that the question of Israel's security is not really a question at all.



Hanukkah, which falls on the evening of December 4th this year, is a complex holiday for complex times. We kindle a light in the darkest time of year, and recognize a glimmer of hope. Could Israelis and Palestinians lay down their arms, mourn their losses together, and join in creating a safe and peaceful future? And, as January 1<sup>st</sup> rings in and the 60<sup>th</sup> birthday year of Israel begins, will there be another 60 incredible years of this amazing, tiny little gift to the world? Or is there too much darkness for a tiny light to penetrate? Perhaps. But at Hanukkah, I pray for a miracle. Selilah and I wish you all a very happy and healthy holiday season.

~ Rabbi Joshua Kalev

## Celebrate the Season with TBS

### Annual Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 18, 7:30 pm  
St. John the Evangelist Church  
225 East Lake Boulevard, Mahopac



Performance by Cantor Shira & the TBS Choir

Please join us - it's so important to support this effort and applaud our choir!

Kindle the Lights of the Menorah  
with the Rabbis Kalev

Thursday, December 6, 7:00 pm  
at the Jefferson Valley Mall.

Meet on the upper level near the escalators.

Sing the songs of the holiday  
and celebrate together!



### President's Message



**W**<sup>HEW</sup>..... This pretty much sums up how I feel after the long but wonderful High Holy days at Temple Beth Shalom. It is not so much a sigh of relief that the holidays are over (well, maybe just a little), as an expression of fulfillment and excitement that encompassed me during the holidays, staying with me ever since. It's also an acknowledgement that the High Holy days were just the start of what is shaping up to be another fantastic year at the synagogue.

For those of you who heard my annual speech to the congregation on Yom Kippur, I hope that you came away with the idea that member involvement on all levels is the only significant way for us to grow and prosper as a community. It is what has brought us this far and it is what will keep us strong in the years to come. "Get involved". That is my new mantra for the coming year.

It seems that I have company in my thinking. Synagogue involvement seemed to be the #1 issue on the minds of synagogue presidents and rabbis alike as they spoke to their congregations during the holidays. As a member of the President's Listserve (an email message board of sorts sponsored by the USCJ where synagogue presidents from around the world share experiences, problems, jokes, and advice with each other) I was able to read a number of presidents' speeches that they were planning to give to their congregations. The vast majority highlighted member involvement. In a recent survey of rabbis conducted by STAR (Synagogues Transformation and Renewal), almost half of the rabbis spoke to their congregations about member engagement beyond High Holy days, Bar/bat Mitzvah classes, Yahrzeits, etc. This was nearly double the number from a year ago. In fact, the same STAR survey found that only 28% of the rabbis polled expected membership growth in their community over the next five years, a decrease of 6% from last year. The conclusion drawn from this survey was that synagogues would have to make fundamental changes in order to get existing members more involved and to attract new families.

Fortunately for us, I am proud to say that we are bucking the trend of the majority of Conservative synagogues. We are actually gaining new members and, thanks to our incredible Rabbi Kalev, we are creating new and exciting reasons for everyone to be involved. Not only does the Rabbi make regular services more enjoyable to attend, but our Tot Shabbats, family services, and special holiday celebrations throughout the year continue to attract more and more members. The addition of Cantor Shira to our temple family has paid immediate dividends. Her beautiful voice and enthusiasm was evident during the High Holy days as she organized an adult choir to help make the High Holiday services something special.

And that's not all. The adult education classes, the book club, the Rabbi's coffee klatches, the movie nights, the musical productions, and so many other programs are on the schedule for the coming year that it would be impossible not to find something of interest for every member of our congregation. All I ask is that we take advantage of the wealth by being an active part of synagogue life here at Temple Beth Shalom.

The synagogue is not just about our children. We do a terrific job in educating our children as well as keeping them entertained with Jewish themes. But the synagogue has to be something more than just a place for the children. It can, and should be, a place for the whole family to find something to inspire, teach, and ultimately, guide us along our Jewish journey.

I am convinced that what we have started here at TBS is something special. We need all of you to continue it. I do not want us to join the majority of synagogues that are losing membership and need to change the way they do business in order to keep their members interested. We already have it. Now let's put it to good use.

See you at the synagogue!

**Ron**

~ Ron Arsham





# FALL MITZVAH DAY

## HELP US MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY!



### Green Chimneys

*Restoring Possibilities And Creating Futures*

**Sunday, Nov. 4th, 2007, 1:15pm to 5:00pm**

**Rain or Shine!**

**Meet at the Green Chimneys school:  
400 Doansburg Road, Brewster, NY**

Bring your entire family for an afternoon of righteous work! Make sure to wear long pants and long sleeves as we restore a memorial garden for the kids, staff, and family members of the Green Chimneys school. Gloves and tools will be provided by the Green Chimneys staff.

For driving directions and more information about the Green Chimneys School see them online at [www.GreenChimneys.org](http://www.GreenChimneys.org) or call Dave Rubin at 845-225-5990

**TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**



Temple Beth Shalom members contributed 225 bags of non-perishable foods during the High Holy Days which were delivered to the St. John's Food Pantry in early October. Our donations enabled the St. John's volunteers to re-stock the shelves with supplies for families in need in our community.



Donations to the St. John's Food pantry are especially appreciated during the winter months.



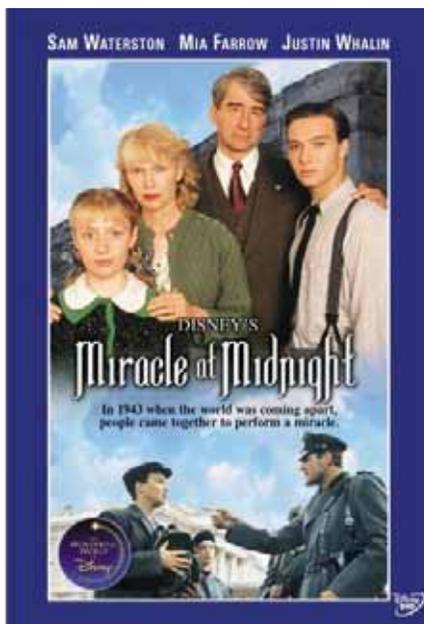
*It's a mitzvah!*





# FIRST MOVE NIGHT OF THE SEASON

BRING YOUR FRIENDS & ENJOY GREAT MOVIES  
ON THE TBS BIG SCREEN... BEST OF ALL, IT'S FREE!



# MIRACLE AT MIDNIGHT

**PG** PARENTAL GUIDANCE SUGGESTED  
SOME MATERIAL MAY NOT BE SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2007 8:00 PM**

**DINNER BEFORE THE MOVIE AT 6:30 PM**

**(PLEASE RSVP FOR DINNER TO THE FRONT OFFICE AT (845) 628-6133)**

**DINNER - \$10.00 ADULTS / KIDS UNDER 13 ARE FREE**

Here's the uplifting, true-life story of how one Danish family risked their lives in the remarkable effort to save thousands of their Jewish countrymen. Disney triumphs with this movie based on true events that will grip viewers from the first moment to the last. This is an incredible movie for the whole family and a story we should know about!

# November

# Cheshvan/Kislev

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 <b>LIMUD: Dive into the Talmud, Part I</b> , 7:30 pm	2 Bet Class Dinner, 6:15 pm Family Service, 7:45 pm	3 Shabbat Morning Service, 9:30 am B'nai Mitzvah of Emilie & Forrest Brigman
4 Dalet Family Education, 9 am Mishpachah, 11 am  <b>MITZVAH DAY</b> 1:15-5 pm  USY Mtg, 6-8 pm	5 House & Grounds Mtg, 7:30 pm	6 Coffee & Conversation with the Rabbi, 11 am  Executive Board Mtg, 6:30 pm  ELECTION DAY	7 Hebrew School, 4:15 pm	8	9 Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 8:15 pm	10 Jr. Congregation, 10:30 am Hey Class Lunch & Learn, following service *Havdalah Dinner, 6:30 pm TBS Movie Night, 8 pm
11 Rosh Chodesh  NO HEBREW SCHOOL	12 Veteran's Day	13	14 Hebrew School, 4:15 pm	15 TBS Board Mtg, 7 pm	16 Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 6:15 pm, Tot Shabbat, 7 pm  <i>USY FALL KINNUS</i>	17 Shabbat Morning Service, 9:30 am Frenkel Family Baby Naming
18 <b>HOLIDAY FAIR at TBS</b> 9 am-3 pm  <b>SCRIP ORDERS DUE</b>	19	20	21 NO HEBREW SCHOOL	22 Thanksgiving Day  TBS Office Closed	23 TBS Office Closed  Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 8:15 pm	24 Shabbat Morning Service, 9:30 am Kiddush sponsored by the Kwan and Liebman Families
25 NO HEBREW SCHOOL	26	27	28 Hebrew School, 4:15 pm.	29 <b>LIMUD: Dive into the Talmud, Part II</b> , 7:30 pm	30 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 8:15 pm	
				USCJ BIENNIAL CONVENTION thru Dec. 3 in Orlando, FL. 		

 **\*A Closer Look ~ Sisterhood Havdalah Dinner & Service**

Havdalah marks the end of Shabbat. It is, therefore, a ceremony which is both melancholy and yet optimistic. Saddened by the passing of Shabbat, we look forward to the time when each day can be as special and holy as Shabbat. Clinging to Shabbat, we anticipate the work week with its creativity and satisfaction. Havdalah recognizes the separation of the peace of Shabbat and rush of the normal week, and as we sing Eliyahu Hanavi, we express a hope that Elijah will soon return with his message of a world of peace.

Havdalah is recited with a special candle that has at least two wicks, a cup of wine and fragrant spices. Each of these represent an aspect of Shabbat and our hopes for the future.

Source: [www.uscj.org](http://www.uscj.org)



# December

# Kislev/Tevet

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<i>Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, I made it out of clay...</i>					1 Shabbat Morning Service, 9:30 am Multi-Denominational Havdallah Concert in Greenwich, CT 7 pm
2 Men's Club Mtg, 9:30 am Mishpachah, 11 am Fundraising Mtg, 11:15 am USY Mtg, 6-8 pm <b>BUY SCRIP</b>	3 <b>LIMUD:</b> What Happens When You Die, 7:30 pm House & Grounds Mtg, 7:30 am	4 *Hanukkah Begins 	5 Hebrew School, 4:15 pm 	6 Light the Menorah at the Jefferson Valley Mall, 7 pm 	7 Gan, Geshet/Mechina Dinner 6:15 pm Family Service, 7:45 pm 	8 Shabbat Morning Service led by USY, 9:30 am 
9 USY/Carnival for Others in Rockland Cty Hanukkah Extravaganza @ TBS, 11 am-1 pm <b>SCRIP ORDERS DUE</b> 	10 Rosh Chodesh 	11 Danbury Federation Leadership Group, noon Executive Board Mtg, 6:30 pm 	12 Hebrew School, 4:15 pm	13 Coffee & Conversation with the Rabbi, 11 am  <b>Sisterhood Paid Up Dinner &amp; Grab Bag, 7 pm</b>	14 Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 8:15 pm	15 Shabbat Morning Service, 9:30 am Jr. Congregation, 10:30 am 
16 Bet Class Family Education, 9 am-noon	17	18	19 Hebrew School, 4:15 pm	20 Board Mtg, 7 pm	21 Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 6:15 pm, Tot Shabbat, 7 pm	22 Shabbat Morning Service, 9:30 am
23 NO HEBREW SCHOOL	24	25	26 NO HEBREW SCHOOL	27	28 Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 8:15 pm	29 Shabbat Morning Service, 9:30 am
30 NO HEBREW SCHOOL	31					

 **\*A Closer Look - Hanukkah, a holiday of joy and happiness.**

As you light the candles of the Hanukkiyah, focus on the wonders and gifts that you experience each day. When all is said and done, perhaps the most important message of Hanukkah may be found in the name of the holiday itself: Dedication. When Jews have dedicated themselves, through faith and action, to the pursuit of high religious and human ideals, Judaism has been strong. That imperative, to strengthen our religion and our people, remains an important challenge at this season, in every generation.

Lighting the candles on Shabbat: Day 4 - Before sunset recite blessings 1 and 2 and kindle four lights in the menorah. The menorah must be lit BEFORE lighting the Shabbat Candles (18 minutes before sunset). Day 5 - After nightfall recite blessings 1 and 2 and kindle five lights in the menorah. The menorah must be lit AFTER Shabbat ends and the Havdalah is recited.



### B'nai Mitzvah

*Behold a good doctrine has been given to you...Forsake it not.*

#### Forrest Ephraim Brigman 3 November 2007

Forrest, an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student at Lakeland Copper Beech Middle School, enjoys playing football and video games with friends. He spends time riding his Quad and learning to play the guitar. Forrest will celebrate his bar mitzvah with the reading of *Chaye Sarah*. Joining Forrest on this special day will be his parents, William and Michelle Brigman, his sisters, Ariel [16], Emilie and his brother, Tyler [4]. Grandparents Henry and Marilyn Eiler, and Claudia Brigman will be at TBS for the occasion. As a religious school student, Forrest has enjoyed working with his tutor, Karen Kwan, and Rabbi Kalev. As a mitzvah project, Forrest is raising funds to benefit victims of terrorism in Israel through the organization, One Family Fund.

#### Emilie Elke Brigman 3 November 2007

A 7<sup>th</sup> grade student at Lakeland Copper Beech Middle School, Emilie is very involved in cheerleading. In her leisure time, she enjoys spending time at the mall with her friends. Emilie will celebrate her bat mitzvah with the reading of *Chaye Sarah*. Joining her on this special day will be her parents, William and Michelle Brigman, her sister, Ariel [16], Emilie and her brothers, Forrest and Tyler [4]. Grandparents Henry and Marilyn Eiler, and Claudia Brigman will be at TBS for the occasion. As a religious school student, Emilie has enjoyed working with her tutor, Karen Kwan, and Rabbi Kalev. As a mitzvah project, Emilie is raising funds to benefit victims of terrorism in Israel through the organization, One Family Fund.



For information about the One Family Fund, visit [www.onefamilyfund.org](http://www.onefamilyfund.org).

### TBS Shabbat Services

#### Regular Shabbat Services

**Friday Evenings** 8:15 pm  
**Early Evening Service** - third Friday of each month ~  
 November 16 6:15 pm  
 December 21 6:15 pm

**Saturday Mornings** 9:30 am

**Shabbat Service Led by USY**  
 December 8 9:30 am

**Junior Congregation**  
 November 10 10:30 am  
 December 15 10:30 am

**Tot Shabbat**  
 November 16 7:00 pm  
 December 21 7:00 pm

**Family Services**  
 Bet Class Family Service  
 November 2 7:45 pm  
 Gan, Geshet & Mechina Classes  
 Family Service  
 December 7 7:45 pm

**Lunch & Learn**  
*Lunch & discussion with Rabbi Kalev following services*  
 November 10 - Hey Class

**Sisterhood Havdalah Service**  
 November 10 7:30 pm

### Shabbat Shalom

#### Shabbat Candle Lighting

**November**  
 2 5:30 pm  
 9 4:24 pm  
 16 4:17 pm  
 23 4:12 pm  
 30 4:09 pm

**December**  
 7 4:08 pm  
 14 4:08 pm  
 21 4:10 pm  
 28 4:15 pm



## Celebrating Simchas!

In Honor of the B'nai Mitzvah of **Emilie & Forrest Brigman**, Michelle and William Brigman will host an Oneg on Friday, November 2, and a Kiddush on Saturday, November 3.

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A Kiddush will be hosted by **the Frenkel Family** on Saturday, November 17 in Honor of the Naming of their baby daughter.

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## Shabbat Trivia

Each week Rabbi Kalev shares a trivia question at Shabbat services. The first person to call his voice mail after Shabbat with the correct answer wins a prize!

The competition is fierce so make sure to call in as soon as Shabbat has ended.

According to Jewish law, what country are Jews forbidden to settle in? – **Egypt** – *David Freundlich & AJ Branca*

What Jewish comedian frequently asked, "Who's buried in Grant's tomb?" – **Groucho Marx** – *Jeff Roberts*

This Jewish composer wrote the music to Broadway's "A Chorus Line!" – **Marvin Hamlisch** – *Jeff Roberts*

Besides Rosh Hashanah, how many other Jewish festivals start on the first of the month? – **None** – *Nobody*

Who created the menorah sculpture in front of the Knesset building? – **Benno Elkan** – *Jeff Roberts*

Which jazz saxophonist started the bossa-nova craze with his recording of "Desafinado?" – **Stan Getz** – *The Chipkins*

## Schmoozing with the Sisterhood

# A Message from your Sisterhood President

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### 2007 Calendar

Nov 10	Havdalah Dinner	6:30pm
Dec 13	PAID-UP DINNER & Grab Bag	7 pm



### 2008 Calendar

Jan 10	Cuban Cooking	7 pm
Jan 27	Fitness Day	2 pm
Feb 7	Sisterhood Meeting	7:30 pm
Feb 10	Health Day	1 pm
Mar 11	Sisterhood Meeting	7:30 pm
Mar 29	Kosher Iron Chef	TBD
Apr 10	Taste Of Passover	7 pm
May 8	Sisterhood Meeting	7:30 pm
May 11	Anything But Bagels	11am
May 18	Torah Fund	1 pm
June 12	Sisterhood Meeting	7:30 pm
July 10	Sisterhood Meeting	7:30 pm
July 27	Picnic	Noon



Sisterhood sends to each one of you a happy and healthy New Year.

I would like to thank all that came to our Annual Blood Drive. We collected 30 pints of blood - well over our 25 pints collected last year. Without your help and support we never could have surpassed our goal.

Our Torah Fund luncheon went well and thanks for everyone who volunteered.

A big Yasher Koach to Georgene Perlman who chaired Family Fun Night. Thanks to all who volunteered to make this yearly event a success!

In combination with the Rabbi's movie night "Miracle At Midnight" on November 10th, Sisterhood will be providing Havdalah Dinner at 6:30 pm. Come eat and watch a movie with us. Not a bad combination, right?? Dinner is \$10 per person (children under 13 eat free).

Please come and attend our Sisterhood Paid Up Dinner on **Thursday, December 13**. We will be having our regular meeting as well as our annual Grab Bag. Come eat, drink and shmooze with us. See that we are not "your mother's" sisterhood. You can let us know what you would like to see us do. We would love to see you there to be part of a great women's group. No reservations required, just show up!

On October 14th, Sisterhood went to see "My Mother's Italian, My Father is Jewish, and I'm in Therapy." It was a hilarious show. Sisterhood has seven tickets left. The theater has a "past date ticket policy." If you were not able to attend the show on October 14th, you can still see the show at a future performance. If you are interested in going, please let me know. Tickets also make a great gift.

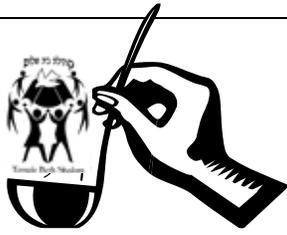
Sisterhood Paid Up Dinner - Thursday, November 8th.

Take care,

Lynn



*Alicia Raskob is truly deserving as the recipient of a Woman of Valor Award at the Sisterhood Torah Fund Lunch on October 21, 2007.*



# ooking osher for the indelacht

Hint: The Hebrew letter Kuf (כ) and Koof (ק) make a 'k' sound

## SUFGANIYOT

from The Children's Jewish Holiday Kitchen  
by Joan Nathan

### Ingredients

- 1 package dry yeast
- 4 tablespoons sugar
- 3/4 cup lukewarm milk or warm water
- 2-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- Pinch of salt
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 2 eggs, separated
- 2 tablespoons (1/4 stick) butter or margarine, softened
- Apricot or strawberry preserves
- Vegetable oil for deep-frying
- Sugar

### Instructions

**Child:** Mix yeast, 2 TBL sugar, and milk. Let sit until it bubbles. Sift flour and mix in the remaining sugar, salt, cinnamon, egg yolks, and yeast mixture.

**Adult with Child:** Knead the dough until it forms a ball. Add butter or margarine. Knead again, until the butter is well absorbed. Cover with a towel and let rise overnight in the refrigerator.

**Adult:** Roll out the dough to a thickness of 1/8 inch.

**Child:** Cut out the dough into 24 rounds with a juice glass, or any object about 2 inches in diameter. Take 1/2 teaspoon of preserves and place in center of 12 rounds. Top with the other 12. Press down at edges, sealing with egg whites. Crimping with the thumb and second finger is best. Let rise for about 30 minutes.

**Adult:** Heat 2 inches of oil to about 375°F (190°C). Drop the doughnuts into the hot oil, about 5 at a time. Turn to brown on both sides. Drain on paper towels.

**Child:** Roll the doughnuts in sugar.



## OVEN-FRIED SUFGANIYOT

from Light Jewish Holiday Desserts by Penny Wantuck Eisenberg



### Ingredients

- Dough
- 1 cup skim milk
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 large egg
- 3 1/2 cups all-purpose flour, lightly sprinkled into measuring cup
- 2 tablespoons instant yeast
- Syrup
- 2 cups sugar
- 3/4 cup water
- Sugar coating and filling
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 jar seedless raspberry or grape jam

### Instructions

In a medium pot over medium heat, heat the milk and butter until the butter melts. Stir in the sugar and salt. Let cool to 120-degrees Fahrenheit (very warm, but not enough to sting your finger).

In a large mixer bowl, whisk the egg. Gradually whisk in the milk mixture.

In a separate bowl, mix 2 cups of the flour with the yeast. Add the flour to the egg mixture, and beat it for 2 minutes on a medium speed. Stir in the remaining flour to form a soft batter. Cover and let rise for 30 minutes or until doubled in volume.

Grease 24 mini-muffin cups (2 pans). Flour your hands, and turn the dough out onto a floured worktable. Roll the dough lightly into a log. Cut off small pieces and form the dough into balls, about one inch in diameter. Place 1 ball in each muffin cup. Spray 2 pieces of plastic wrap with cooking spray. Place over the muffin pans and let the dough rise for 30 minutes.

Preheat the oven to 375-degrees with the rack in the middle of the oven. Bake for 12 to 15 minutes, until the donuts are lightly browned. Turn the donuts out onto a cooling rack.

## Check out these books for interesting recipes and more!

### HANUKKAH GELT

from Tastes of Jewish Traditions by Jody Hirsh, Idy Goodman, Aggie Goldenholz, and Susan Roth

#### Ingredients

- 1 lb confectioners' powdered sugar
- 1 lb chocolate bar
- 1/2 cup cocoa
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 6 TBL butter
- 4 TBL milk
- 1 tsp vanilla extract



#### Instructions

In a double boiler, combine all ingredients. Place over simmering water and stir till smooth. Quickly spread the melted chocolate onto a buttered or wax paper-lined cookie sheet.

Cool.

With cookie cutter (preferably Hanukkah shapes), cut circles of fudge. Lift with a metal spatula and wrap in foil, like coins.

Store in refrigerator.

While the dough is baking, prepare the syrup. Combine the sugar and water in a medium pot. Stir and heat over medium heat until the sugar has dissolved. Increase the heat and boil the syrup for 5 minutes to thicken it. Turn heat to low, and keep the syrup warm. Toss the warm donuts in the sugar syrup. Remove the donuts with a slotted spoon, and roll them in the sugar.

Fit a pastry bag with a 1/4-inch plain (round) tube. Fill the bag with the jam. Poke a hold in the side of each donut with the pastry tip. Squeeze the bag, and fill each donut with jam. Serve as soon as possible.

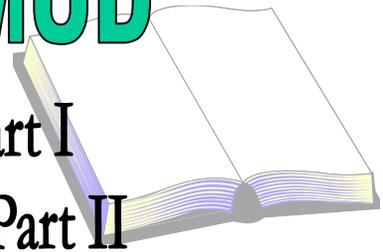
If you want to make them more than 2 hours ahead, delay dipping them in syrup and rolling in sugar until almost ready to serve. Unsugared, they can be frozen for up to 3 months. Reheat them, covered with foil, in a 350-degree oven for 15 minutes, then dip in sugar syrup and roll in sugar.

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SO MUCH LEARNING AT TBS!**

## **DIVE INTO THE TALMUD**

Thursday, November 1st at 7:30 PM - Part I

Thursday, November 29th at 7:30 PM - Part II



Have you always wondered what exactly the Talmud is? Have you always wanted to become more familiar with this text that serves as a foundation for our religion's traditions? This is your chance! Join Rabbi Kalev for a discussion & study session on the Talmud.



## **WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DIE - THE WORLD OF CHEVRA KADDISHA**

Monday, December 3rd at 7:30 PM

Come and learn about the practices of Jewish burial. From the moment that the body is taken by the Chevra Kaddisha to the time it is placed in the ground, Rabbi Kalev will go over the many rituals and laws surrounding this difficult time in life. A video will be screened showing the process of preparing the body for burial - *please use discretion when bringing children to this class!*

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DISCUSSIONS HAPPENING AT  
COFFEE SHOPS AROUND TOWN  
ON NOV. 6TH & DEC. 13TH!**



## Hebrew School News



**B**et Class kicks off Hebrew School's participation in Family Services. The students will be

joined on **November 2 at 6:15 pm** by their families and members of the congregation for Shabbat dinner before they help lead the way to services. Morah Anita and her students have a special presentation as part of the family event. **Kitah Aleph** is undertaking tough questions about God and making great strides in their discovery of the Hebrew language as they learn with Rabbi Kalev. Tess Bettman's **Gimmel** students are learning some new, hip melodies for our prayers and they are energetically sharing them with the rest of the school.

**Kitah Dalet** lucks out by having three teachers for their class. Karen Kwan works with the group on Sunday mornings sharing her love of tefilah and preparing next year's students for B'nai Mitzvah. Carolyn Stiman and Anat McMahon share Wednesday duty where it's a treat to have native Israeli Anat focus on the language while Carolyn shares her love of the land of Israel with her students. The **Hey class** began their Holocaust studies focusing on discrimination and racism

throughout the globe. They plan to participate in the "**Crocus Project**" sponsored by the Holocaust Education Trust of Ireland. The project was originally undertaken to educate Irish children in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades about the Holocaust. It has now grown into a project where schools in Ireland and around the world are planting yellow crocuses in memory of the million and a half Jewish children who perished as well as the thousands of non-Jewish children who suffered the same fate.

The Rabbis Kalev have opened their home to our **post Hey students** who will meet with them on Wednesday evenings to explore a wide variety of relevant topics. The very first class was, by all counts, a huge success!

Our **Back to School Program** for parents on Sunday, September 30 was also successful due in part to the participation of so many parents, and also to our volunteers who helped supervise the students while the parents met with the teachers. A big thank you goes to John Katzenstein, Georgene Perlman, Phyllis Solar and Marcia Scanlon for their help that morning. Cantor Shira Adler was on hand to meet with all the classes that morning as well, providing the students with music enrichment while the teachers were otherwise occupied. It was

wonderful to have her as part of our program and we are looking forward to working with her again each month.

Our **Gan, Geshet and Mechina classes** have finally settled into a regular schedule and are busy becoming familiar with the Temple, Shabbat and the Aleph /Bet. Alicia Raskob and Monica Scavone are already helping them prepare for their **Family Service and dinner scheduled for December 7**. So remember to put the date on your calendar as they are sure to enthrall us with some special Shabbat and Chanukah songs!!

**Nine families joined our Mishpachah** group of preschoolers and their parents for a fun morning of arts and crafts, stories and song. We are looking forward to meeting again on Sunday morning, December 2, as well as at Tot Shabbat services in November and December.

The year is off to a great start with lots of with a lot more exciting activities planned!!

*Carol*

~ Carol Zager, Principal

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### TBS HEBREW SCHOOL CALENDAR

November

- 2 Bet Class Family Service, 7:45 pm
- 4 Dalet Class Family Ed, 9am-noon  
Mishpachah, 11am-noon
- 10 Hey Class Lunch & Learn  
Jr. Congregation, 10:30am-noon
- 11 NO SCHOOL/Veteran's Day
- 16 Tot Shabbat, 7 pm
- 21 NO SCHOOL/Thanksgiving
- 25 NO SCHOOL

December

- 2 Mishpachah, 11am-noon
- 7 Gan, Geshet & Mechina Classes  
Family Service, 7:45 pm
- 9 Community Hanukkah Program
- 15 Jr. Congregation, 10:30am-noon
- 16 Bet Family Ed, 9 am-noon
- 21 Tot Shabbat, 7 pm
- 23 NO SCHOOL
- 26 NO SCHOOL
- 30 NO SCHOOL

**Hanukkah Spectacular**

Sunday, December 9

11 am - 1 pm

An amazing event for  
the whole family.

Raffles, games,  
activities, lots of latkes  
and much more!

*Celebrate the holiday with your  
family and friends at TBS.*

## *Shemithah and Yovel ~ Sabbatical and Jubilee Years*

**I**n the days prior to Rosh Hashanah I was very busy, beautifying the gardens of my Jewish clients. I was so busy and weary that I almost forgot about the holiday itself and its meaning. Needless to say, I forgot all about the Shenat Shemithah that we were facing. It was Moti, my dear friend from Israel who reminded me about it. Actually, it was the focus of all of his almost daily conversations with me.

You see, Moti has a nursery in Israel, which was busier than ever because of the demand by the orthodox sector in Israel who were running out of time planting their gardens before the Shemithah rule took affect. Listening to his descriptions of the power struggle in Israel between the secular sector and the orthodox rabbis regarding what is permissible or not to eat, grow, and otherwise do or not in the coming year, I cried and laughed at the same time.

So, what is it all about?

There is a seven-year cycle and a related fifty-year cycle in the Jewish Calendar. The seventh year is the Sabbatical Year, Shemithah, and the fiftieth year is Yovel, Jubilee Year.

As we all know, the number seven, Shevah, is very meaningful and powerful in our tradition and religion, from *the seventh day*, Sabbath, to the *seven 'Sefiroth'* in the Kabala. The Shemithah Year is a "**year of rest**" for the **Land**. No labor is allowed in planting or harvesting that year; the population has to rely on the produce of the sixth year for three years, including the eighth, (because no planting is permitted in the seventh), which God promises to supply with abundance (Leviticus 25, 20-21).

Does anybody know a way to keep tomatoes and mangos fresh for three years?

The Yovel is the fiftieth year; it occurs the year after seven cycles of seven

years. With regard to agriculture, it is treated as a Shemithah year. Thus, the forty-eighth year must support, first of all, its own needs, plus those of the 49<sup>th</sup>, the 50<sup>th</sup> and the 51<sup>st</sup> years - a total of four years! The Jubilee Year has some additional special laws:

1. All slaves were to be set free in the Yovel Year. A Biblical inscription to this effect was inscribed by America's founding fathers on the Liberty Bell. The issue of granting liberty to a slave was so important in Jewish law that a slave who refused to accept his freedom was marked on his ear, forever disgraced for refusing to be a free man/woman.

2. All sales of land were void and the land returned to the original owner in the 50<sup>th</sup> year. Thus, there were only **leases of property** for periods up to 49 years; there were no sales "in perpetuity" of parcels of land in the Land of Israel.

"For the Land is **Mine**; you are only temporary residents and settlers together with me. (Lev. 25,23)." In the Israel of today the land is owned by the government and other national agencies like JNF, but not by any individual. Homeowners actually lease the land for only 99 years. Special notes apply to most of the land in Jerusalem and surrounding hills. This land belongs to the Greek Archdiocese which leased it to the government of Israel.

Another implication of Shemithah was the cancellation of all debts, creating another set of laws to safeguard the country's economy.

Here are some of the arguments and key voices heard in Israel in the last months regarding this issue:

Rabbi Emanuel Quint, Dean of **The Jerusalem Institute of Jewish Law says** – There is another aspect of the Shemithah year that has not been much explored yet, the cancellation of debts. Although there are some who write a

*prosbul* just before the Shemithah year and then towards the end of the Shemithah year, the overwhelming number of authorities hold that it need be made only at the end of the Shemithah year.

There is no concept of bankruptcy in halachah. Thus, an indebtedness is never cancelled just because the debtor does not have the ability to pay. According to Torah law, however, all debts (except as hereinafter specified) were cancelled at the end of the Shemithah year. It was then considered that people might hesitate to lend money close to the Shemithah year because the repayment of the loan would be cancelled. Therefore, Hillel instituted the *prosbul*, pursuant to which the loans would not be cancelled, so that people would not be reluctant to make loans by reason of the approaching Shemithah.



On the subject of refraining from lending money before the Shemithah year, Rambam writes "If a person refrains from lending money before the Shemithah year because he

fears that there may be a delay in repaying the loan, and in the meantime the Shemithah intervenes and cancels the loan, he transgresses a negative commandment, as it is written "Beware that there be not a base thought in your heart" [Deuteronomy 15:9]. This is a very serious transgression for the Torah has warned against it with a double injunction... The Torah is very particular regarding this evil thought and calls it a "base thought."

Prosbul is a device enacted by Hillel in the first century B.C.E. to encourage loans and commerce by enabling the lender to enforce collection of loans even after the Shemithah year. The Talmud discusses the necessity for the *prosbul* since the laws of cancellation of debts were no longer practiced according to Torah law. (See Gittin 36a)

The cancellation of debts at the end of the Shemithah year in modern times is of Rabbinic origin and is applicable in all places. Debts are cancelled at the

last moment of the Shemithah year, that is on the last day of Elul, moments before Rosh Hashanah of the first year after the prior Shemithah year. Thus if a loan is made this year, a Shemithah year, it may be collected or a prosbul written until the last moment of this year.

In general, Shemithah cancels all debts, whether oral or evidenced by a writing even if the writing contains a clause placing a lien on the borrower's real estate as security for the loan.

There are certain types of debts that are NOT cancelable under Shemithah. (Although we don't have space to mention them all, I encourage you to explore this subject further.)

Now, I wonder. Does it mean that the year's dues to the Temple would be canceled because of the Shemithah? What about my mortgage? Does it apply only to transaction between Jewish people or to a mixed crowd as well?

BZ talks about the agricultural aspect of the law: We do know that when it comes to agricultural issues, Shemithah law applies only to the land of Israel as promised by God and which was occupied by the Israelites in ancient time. What it really means is that one is not allowed to work the land but everything that grows wild is *Hefker* (ownerless), and is permissible to eat.

I wonder if even 2000 years ago they could produce enough food for the whole nation for three years without cultivation. I do know that is impossible to achieve that these days. Hence, there must be loopholes to rely on in order to survive.

Nobody contests this point. The current controversy over Shemithah is about which loopholes are okay to use. Since the beginning of the state, the Chief Rabbinate has relied on the "heter mechirah" (permission to sell), and has sold all the farmland in Israel to Arabs. The reasoning is that the restrictions of Shemithah no longer apply if the land is owned by a non-Jew, so the farmers can go on producing and selling their crops as usual. However, not everyone accepts

heter mechirah. In particular, the haredi kashrut certifying agencies do not, and they will only permit imported produce, which is not subject to Shemithah having been grown outside of Israel.

There has been much excitement recently, because the Chief Rabbinate declared this year that individual municipal rabbinates may decide not to accept heter mechirah, and thus, not to grant kashrut certification to stores and restaurants that use Israeli produce as opposed to relying solely on imported produce. The rabbinates of several major cities, including Jerusalem, have opted for this, and if they get their way, then stores and restaurants in those cities will have to choose to either import all their produce or lose their kashrut certification. This argument is headed all the way to the Supreme Court in Israel.

The basic argument from the secular sector was: 1) the government should compensate all the farmers who basically lose their income for 2-3 years in a row. 2) Any food brought to the Israeli market should be subsidized by the government, otherwise it would be cost prohibitive for most of the population.

Separate from any actual observances, there are plenty of valuable messages to be gleaned from Shemithah: the idea of Shabbat on a longer timeframe, mandating rest both for people and for the land recognition of human impact on the environment; etc. But these are messages that can be picked up just by reading about it, without necessarily doing anything about it, just like we can learn something by reading about sacrifices, which all agree are not observed today. So is Shemithah just about "דרוש וקבל שכר" (study it, and receive a reward)? Is there anything specific that one can do (in thought or action) with regard to Shemithah that is specific to this time (the 7th year) and place (Israel)?"

Rabbi Eliezer Berkovits wrote in *Not in Heaven* that whether or not you hold with heter mechirah, both approaches are problematic. If the

State of Israel is to be a self-sustaining Jewish society, then it should neither depend on selling the land to non-Jews nor on buying all of its produce from other countries.

In our last conversation Moti talked about Chief Rabbi Obadiah who issued a new ruling about observing Shemithah this year. Actually, the new ruling is no ruling. "Heter Mechirah" is acceptable for the majority of the public. As for the Orthodox sector, they can eat any produce grown in the Arava region in southern Israel, an area that was never promised to us by God.

As for Moti and his nursery? The local Rabbi offered him a special permit for one part of his nursery where he can grow plants for sale in 2008, all for a small fee. Moti declined.

Personally, I feel badly about all the controversy over the Shemithah. The original idea, as intended by God, was to introduce some morals into economics. It was used as a safeguard against deadening poverty and it kept the land from accumulating in the hands of a few. In addition, it helped the original tribes keep their territory intact through the generations.

The question remains. Can it be applied and enforced in modern Israel in the 21<sup>st</sup> century? Is it really useful? Does the original moral that God inserted into our economic life fit with our reality?

I wish that instead of constant arguments and disagreements between all walks of Judaism in Israel, a panel would be established to study this subject objectively arriving at a solution to enrich our life, protect our land from depletion, while letting us carry on this marvelous tradition.

\*\*\* One of the oldest organic landcare methods was based on crop rotation when each year one portion of the land is left unattended. Some people still practice that. It called common sense.

~ Miriam Yekutiel

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**The Cantor's Notes**

In all of the years that I have been a Cantor at various synagogues on both Coasts, I have to tell you that I have never enjoyed a High Holy Day season as much as I have this year. I am still feeling so inspired from the Yamim Nora'im (Days of Awe) and profoundly moved by the experience that we shared in our prayers together.

Now already, here we are just having completed Z'man Simchateinu (the season of our joy). I love the Fall chagim, especially since my relatively recent move to Upper Westchester. Living many years in Los Angeles, I had all but forgotten the powerfully clear connection that the vibrant colored autumn leaves and crisp fall weather share with the time of year that we build our fragile Sukkot.

I have childhood memories of helping friends decorate their Sukkot; hanging bunches of grapes and apples (the plastic kind lasted longer), hand-made colored construction paper chains, pretty pictures and bright tablecloths draped ceremoniously over picnic and folding tables. I remember the way I admired and awed at the twinkling of the stars that winked at me between the branches of the roof. The air had a heavy sweetness that was the blend of rich pine and Manishevitz wine.

Now I have another special memory to add . . . that of being at the Rabbis Kalev home with our new congregational family members. This Shul gives new meaning to the word "haimish".

I truly feel that I am blessed by being here. I have the honor of getting to know even better our wonderful Rabbi, Board, lay leaders and staff of the religious school. I am especially excited to work with the religious school children and share my joy and enthusiasm for all things Jewishly musical!

Speaking of Jewish musical events, mark your calendars now for the Ecumenical Thanksgiving service on Sunday, November 18, at St. John's Church in Mahopac. If you'd like to join the TBS choir for a couple of selections that we will offer during this service, please contact me directly at: [CantorShira@optonline.net](mailto:CantorShira@optonline.net) and include a phone number so I may reach you.

I also encourage your joining in the spirit of ecumenical comraderie at a special Multi-Denominational Havdallah with the greater Greenwich, CT community. I will be participating as clergy and would like to see our community represented! This event, presented by the Hebrew Wizards (*a unique Hebrew School in Greenwich*), will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Greenwich, CT on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm. World-class Jewish artist Craig Taubman will be our guest performer for a wonderful inter-faith celebration. This is a family event! Admission is \$15. All proceeds to help Wizards around the World, Jewish families worldwide who need our support. For more information, contact Morah Deborah at 203-249-4036 or [morahdeborah@hebrewwizards.com](mailto:morahdeborah@hebrewwizards.com).

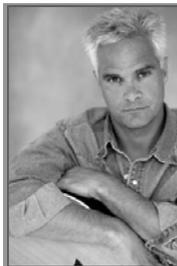
For closer to home events . . . just wait until you hear the Bet and Gimmel classes in this year's Westchester County area Zimriyah! I am already working on some exciting musical projects for this year including participating in the Westchester Jewish Conference Gala concert on April 6<sup>th</sup> and a special concert featuring my female-Cantorial trio: **Gingi (We're Not Your Father's Cantors)**.

As I have done traditionally in my past Shul's articles, I would like to include a poem that has great meaning to me . . . this one by my Grandmother (z"l) Florence Jeanne Goodman.

B'shalom v'shirim,

~ Cantor Shira

*Hear me, ye precious bones,  
And hear me, Lord  
Thy seed is safe.  
Though I was lost  
And hardly knew the way,  
Through deserts and wilderness,  
Through pain and disbelief,  
With a half forgotten promise  
Ringing in my ears,  
I found the lights of the Temple  
In time to bring my children home.*



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For more information about Craig visit [www.craignco.com](http://www.craignco.com)



## Our Temple Family

### Todah Rabah

To **Jeff & Bernice Guest** as well as our many other hard working volunteers for their support during the High Holy Days.

To **Rob Liebman** for making sure our sound system was in great shape for the Holy Days.

To **Alan Belsky** for watering our plants and caring about our grounds.

To **Barry Plaut** for the beautiful new bookshelves in the back room.

To our **USYers** for building our gorgeous sukkah.

To **Vivian Kalev** for wonderful baked goods at the Rabbis Kalev Open House Sukkah Party.

To **Ellen & Howie Gershman** for the delicious mango margaritas at Simchat Torah.

To **Jeff Roberts, Ron Arsham & Billy Hughes** for helping to deliver over 200 bags of food to the St. John's food pantry.

To **the Tigershtroms** for the donation of a defibrillator to the synagogue

To our **super-duper awesome office staff (Ro, Jean & Melody)** for getting through a very busy season successfully.

To **Carol Zager** for all of her hard work during the Holy Days

To **Billy Hughes** for all of his hard work through this busy time of year.

### Yasher Koach

To **Cantor Shira Adler** for so brilliantly leading our community during the Yamim Noraim.

To **Marilyn Arsham** for her incredible ruach and devotion in leading our community during the Holy Days.

To **Rob Liebman & Marilyn Arsham** for their recitation of Kol Nidre.

### November

- 1 Jennie Chacon
- 2 Rebecca Charkow
- 3 Kjersten Lazer
- 5 Kyle Coffey
- 5 Joshua Alexander
- Andrew Gorodess
- David Schlem
- 6 Robin Belsky
- 8 Andrew Braman
- Randy Fleischer
- 9 Jason Friedman
- Barry Plaut
- 10 Denise Persampieri
- 11 Dennis Bochichio
- 12 Diane Houslanger

- 14 Simon Begler
- Georgene Perlman
- 15 Aaron Teplitsky
- Hayley Weisman
- 16 Marc Weiner
- 18 David Cohen
- Dylan Love
- 19 Michele Greenberg
- Zachary Martin
- 20 Alvin Rosenberg
- 21 Jessica Gralla
- Lori Liebman
- 22 Joshua Solar-Doherty
- Jonathan Tomback
- 23 Dora Kravitz

### Celebrating Birthdays in Our Community

- 24 Ellen Dulberger
- Max Goren
- 25 Aimee Freundlich
- Jessica Reing
- 26 Anita Belenchia
- Lawrence Kaiser
- Michael Kwan
- Robert Liebman
- 27 Shea Belsky
- Hannah Patrick
- David Ranani
- 28 Zila Koswener
- Ashley Lathrop
- Ilana Pollack
- 30 Robin Kushner

### December

- 2 Travis Scavone
- 3 Jordan Feldman
- 4 Heather Gorodess
- Carole Toledano
- 5 Jennifer Winters
- Miriam Yekutiel
- 6 Scott Kaiser
- Karen Kwan
- Gary Schlem
- 7 Kenneth Koswener
- 8 Marshall Gralla
- 9 Jerry Persampieri
- Deborah Wagner
- 10 David Rubin
- 11 Melissa Weiner

- 12 Jennifer Pallant
- Mildred Posner
- 13 Lynn Liebman
- Jesse Rothstein
- 15 Richard Cohen
- 16 Jonathan Tuzman
- 17 Henny Schwarz
- Steven Toovell
- 18 Alexander Koswener
- Jeremy Love
- Rachel Teplitsky
- 19 Rachel Kwan
- Zachary Rubin
- 23 Pearl Meyer
- Jonathan Oelsner

- 24 Rachel Ashley
- Ruth Simon
- 25 Eric Friedman
- Paul Hertz
- Miriam Marritt
- Jason Toovell
- 26 Deborah Buckvar
- Elaine Jacobs
- 27 Christine Gambino
- 28 Howard Gershman
- 29 Jonathan Schwartz
- 30 Hayden Gutt
- Joshua Martin



To **Joshua Tuzman** for blowing the shofar so beautifully.

To **Steve Lederer** for getting his co-workers to donate bags of food to our High Holy Day food drive.

To **Alicia Kravitz** for an amazing recital at Carnegie Hall.

To **Ann Rubin & Deborah Hilfman** on the completion of another successful Avon Walk for Breast Cancer.

To **Marc Houslanger** for lifting three Torah scrolls in two days on Simchat Torah.

### Mazel Tov

To **the Perelman Family** on the adoption of their son.

To **the Frenkel Family** on the birth of their daughter.

### Mi'sheberach ~ Wishing a return to good health to those who are ill in our community ~

- Steven Astrachan
- Joseph Carrillo
- Leah Bat Sholmo Ve Ester
- Giselle Dollinger
- Marcus Fitz
- Charles Gassett
- Gordon C. Gladden
- Felicia Gruber
- Ana Horn

- Sol Indig
- Kenneth Kaplan
- Bob Kaiser
- Erna Kaplan
- Kenneth Kaplan
- Rivka bat Esther
- Helen Lichtman
- Eunice McDermott
- Fannie Meyer

- Harold Michaels
- Fanny Meyer
- John Morelli
- Dorothy Morrill
- Marge Pollack
- Alana Rogers
- Joanne Sachs
- Rosalee Steiner
- Ethel Thomas

- Larry Ticker
- Lois Van Etten
- Charles Winterhalter
- Gerri Winterhalter
- Robin Zencheck
- Meira Atalya bat Kiva Tal
- Yitzchak ben Kiva Tal
- Kiva Tal bat Sara
- Yosef be Avraham v'Sara



## Youth Group News

**We may not be Amish but we certainly can raise a mean Sukkah!**

The Temple Beth Shalom USY group, led by the easy going yet focused Dennis Demott, built and dressed the Sukkah in under three hours on Sunday, September 23, 2007. There was a wonderful turnout of both new and established USY members. As always it was greatly appreciated that many parents helped oversee the event.

I was thrilled with the full participation of the USY group from Temple Beth Shalom. The attendance and involvement level this year has been noticeably high and it bodes well for our group's success in the coming months with our various events and fundraisers.

I would like to encourage the participation of USY members in regional USY events sponsored by METNY and/or the KOACH division. While I am happy that our USYers are becoming a more cohesive group and that they enjoy and seek out each other's company, we can still become more active in the regional events. It is inherent in being a part of USY that members participate and interact with Jewish teens from across the metropolitan region.

The regional events such as the Kick-Off Dance; Fall Kinnus: Encampment, are critical experiences in the life of United Synagogue Youth. We are a great temple with a terrific congregation, and we should share

that with the wonderful people we meet and experiences we have with the greater USY family.

This is the time and USY is the way for all of our teenagers to make contacts and friends with people of like minds and some with different perspectives. There are hundreds if not thousands of USYers from Long Island, Dutchess County, Rockland County and Westchester County who share similar interests, whether in sports, music, arts or Jewish learning.

I invite you to be open and try to participate in regional events. It is common to find that once a USYer makes a friend through the greater USY community, their paths cross for a lifetime. All of our USYers will very shortly be entering higher levels of education whether at college or in the work place. The likelihood that you will run into a fellow USYer at Binghamton University, or on a Birthright trip to Israel, or on Capitol Hill, or wherever your life takes you is enormous.

Your commitment to USY goes beyond fulfilling an obligation to attend a social event with your old friends at Temple Beth Shalom to include reaching out to our USY neighbors to build a strong Jewish network and foundation of friends for your life – now and for your future.

*Steve*

*~ Steve Bettman*



## Getting to Know

**US(Y)**

**H**i everyone! My name is **Tess Bettman** and I am the SATO Girl for TBS USY. I teach the lovely Gimmel class on Wednesday's and Sunday's. In my free time I take princess lessons and pilates. I can also bench press 4000 pounds. I have two pugs, Maccabee and Edgar, and they are the cutest things I have ever seen.

I attend Mahopac High School and take a full junior schedule. If I do not make it as Queen of the World or as a professional Rock Paper Scissors player, I hope to go to college. I attend Camp Edward Isaacs during the summer. I love camp, it has made my life. I am currently learning to drive my Porsche so I suggest everyone pretend everyday is the Sabbath and stay off the road. I do not have a favorite color, I am lactose intolerant, I like to sing, dance and get dressed up.

If you have any questions you know where to find me.



**H**i my name is **Ray Perlman**. I am fifteen years old. I love to play sports. I play baseball, basketball, football and I ski. I try to play all year round. My hobbies are listening to music, playing my drums, looking at classic cars, and training for sports. I listen to rock and rap music, and I play my drums every day. My training consists of pushups and sit ups every morning. Two sets of 35. I also go to my school gym whenever I don't have practice. There I squat two sets of 10 at 200 lbs. and bench press three sets of 10 at 150 lbs. I do this workout every day because it strengthens the muscles needed for the sports that I do.

I am also the VP of my USY chapter at Temple Beth Shalom. I have two 3 year old cats, Rocky and Rhea. I adopted them from the Humane Society. They run away every time I play the drums because it is too loud for them. I go to Mahopac High School and I am in tenth grade. I live with both of my parents.



**H**ello - I'm Lori Liebman. As a high school sophomore, one of my teachers or faculty members nominated me to attend the National Youth Leadership Forum for National Security. This teacher or faculty member noticed leadership.

When I got the letter in the mail, over the summer, and decided to attend the forum I didn't know what I was getting myself into. I now wish I knew who this teacher or faculty member is, so I could thank him/her for giving me the opportunity to have the best experience of my life.

I am now a high school junior at Lakeland High School, I just got back from my trip last week after spending six days in Washington D.C.. The first evening of the forum I walked into dinner thinking of how scared I was. There were about four hundred kids, including myself at the Forum; it was scary to think about where I would fit in during the week. But as the week progressed I made my place, I made friends, I got to know the people in my assigned NSAM (national security action meeting) group. I became more active in our debates; we had one debate that lasted at least fifteen minutes. Listening to other people's opinions, and not being told I was wrong for mine was empowering. I realized that I

could talk and my opinion would be respected by complete strangers. But even though I attended educational events, took trips to Patuxent River Naval Air Base and to Capital Hill, listened to several keynote speakers, and met with Congressman John Hall, the most important thing I got out of this trip were the friends I made.

After spending six days with twenty-one other scholars, you bond. I am currently still in contact with most of the people in my NSAM group. I don't ever plan to stop talking with them. We spent so much time together that we were able to create nicknames and inside jokes. We shared ideas, and were able to see things in different ways. Before taking this trip I saw things from a New York perspective, but now I know how people from different places, like Kansas, Louisiana, California, and New Mexico, see things. Even after bonding so much with these scholars, I still never thought I would cry because I was going home.

My trip was worth every occupied minute of learning, and the six flights of stairs I had to walk up to my room. This trip was not only the greatest experience of my life, but it will help me in my future endeavors. I plan on attending a service school for college. I want to become an aeronautical engineer for the Navy and this leadership experience will look good to an admissions officer reviewing my college application. I am hoping that this will help me greatly.

I want to thank the Sisterhood, the Rabbi, and everyone else who sponsored me for this trip. I am grateful for their contributions and no amount of thanks would be properly adequate. I will never forget the things I learned and the people I met on this trip.

**TBS USY Calendar**

- November 4 6-8 pm  
Meeting at TBS
- November 16-18  
Fall Kinnus at Temple Beth El,  
New Rochelle
- November 30-December 2  
Venture Weekend at Clear Lake
- December 2 6-8 pm  
Meeting at TBS
- December 8 9:30 am  
USY Shabbat Service
- December 9 TBA  
Carnival for Others
- December 22-31  
International Convention, Anaheim, CA

*Temple Beth Shalom is a member of the METNY region of USY. For more information, visit [www.metnyusy.org](http://www.metnyusy.org).*



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Inaccurate and distorted accounts of events in Israel and the Middle East are to be found everywhere from college radio stations to network television, from community newspapers to national magazines, and, of course, on the Internet. In recent years misinformation about the Middle East has also surfaced in fashion magazines, architectural publications, encyclopedias, professional reference works, geography textbooks, travel guides, and even dictionaries. Frequently inaccurate and skewed characterizations of Israel and of events in the Middle East may fuel anti-Israel and anti-Jewish prejudice.

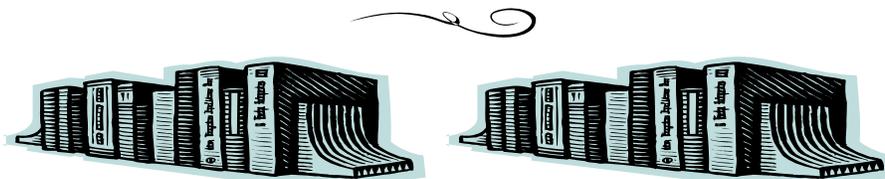
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### ADOPT A LIBRARY!

All too often libraries used by adults and students include a disproportionate number of books that present skewed and inaccurate depictions of Israel. Volumes by Edward Said, Noam Chomsky and other extreme detractors of Israel are almost certain to be available, but solid works presenting reliable information about Israel are often few in number or omitted entirely from library collections. We can help change this troubling situation and assure that Americans have the opportunity to read accurate, complete and balanced books on the Arab-Israeli conflict.

**TBS, in cooperation with the Mahopac Public Library, is participating in CAMERA's Adopt a Library Project. Talk to your local library to find out whether they will participate in this important program.**



#### Make a Difference -

#### **Adopt-A-Library Project**

When you place your scrip order, consider donating an extra B & N or Amazon scrip card to the temple. In February 2008, Temple Beth Shalom will purchase as many books as we can from the list below. The books will be presented to Mahopac Public Library during Jewish Book Week - March 3-7, 2008.

**The Arab-Israeli Conflict** by Cath Senker (juvenile non-fiction)

**The Case for Israel** by Alan Dershowitz

**A Dream of Zion: American Jews Reflects on Why Israel Matters to Them** by Jeffrey Salkin

**The Great Arab Conquests: How the Spread of Islam Changed the World We Live In** by Hugh Kennedy

**Israel at Sixty: An Oral History of a Nation Reborn** by Deborah Hart Strober and Gerald S. Strober (to be published in February 2008)

**Lawrence and Aaronsohn: T.E. Lawrence, Aaron Aaronsohn, and the Seeds of the Arab-Israeli Conflict** by Ronald Florence

**The Lost Years: Bush, Sharon, and the Failure in the Middle East** by Mark Matthews

**The Lost Years: Radical Islam, Intifada, and Wars in the Middle East, 2001-2006** by Charles Enderlin (to be published in December 2007)

**O Jerusalem!** by Larry Collins & Dominique Lapiere

**Rome and Jerusalem: The Clash of Ancient Civilizations** by Martin Goodman

**What Israel Means to Me: by 80 prominent writers, performers, scholars, politicians, and journalists** by Alan Dershowitz





## Hanukkah Happenings in Our Area

**Sunday, December 2,  
2007**

### **Menorah and Holiday Crafts-making**

Richard Rosenthal Jewish Community Center,  
Pleasantville, NY

<http://www.rosenthaljcc.org/>

2:00 – 6:00 pm,

Member families - \$10.00; Non-member families - \$15.00

“Make your own menorah, picture frame and other holiday crafts in advance of the holidays. Kids make gifts to give to friends and families. Stations will be set up throughout the building with fun activities for kids. Parents are free to shop for last-minute gifts at our mini-boutique fair.”

### **UJA Federation Family Chanukah Toy & Food Drive**

UJA-Federation of New York, Syosset, New York  
contact Beth Fetner at 1.516.677.1863 or

[fetnerb@ujafedny.org](mailto:fetnerb@ujafedny.org).

3:00 – 5:00 pm,

Spin a dreidel, make a craft, eat a jelly doughnut, and leave goodie bags for families in need.

### **Shirlala Chanukah**

Queensborough Performing Arts Center, Bayside, NY 11364

Tickets on sale at [Theatermania.com](http://Theatermania.com)

2:00 pm, \$10.00/person

Shira Kline performs “a lively storytelling of Judah Maccabee and the Chanukah miracle, followed by spirited and dynamic holiday music...”

### **Laughing Pizza – The Koenig Family Chanukah Concert**

Jewish Community Center – Y of Rockland, New City, NY

[http://www.jccyofrockland.org/whats\\_happening.htm](http://www.jccyofrockland.org/whats_happening.htm)

1:00 pm, \$10.00 in advance, \$15.00 at door

Enjoy this family musical event with a “hip, retro aesthetic, and attractive and healthy lifestyle message.”

### **Family Hanukkah Festival**

92 Street Y, NY

<http://www.92y.org/default.asp>

10:30 am – 2:30 pm, Adults \$20.00, Children \$15.00

Celebrate the season with activities including craft workshops, sing-a-longs, games, entertainment, and face painting. See a demonstration of an olive oil press.

### **Hanukkah Art Fair**

The Jewish Museum, NY

<http://jewishmuseum.org/>

12:00 – 4:00 pm, Free with paid admission

Children can create sculptural Hanukkah lamps design colorful dreidels, share holiday stories, and explore the Museum’s world famous collection of Hanukkah lamps.

**Monday, December 3, 2007**

### **An Evening of Klezmer Music**

The Warner Library, Tarrytown, NY

<http://www.warnerlibrary.org/programs.html>

7:00 pm, please notify the library if you plan to attend

“... great musical fun for the entire family...”

**Sunday, December 9, 2007**

### **Latkes and Love**

John C. Hart Memorial Library, Shrub Oak, NY

<http://www.yorktownlibrary.org/children.htm>

2:00 pm, registration required

Kathy McQuown is a storyteller specializing in Jewish stories for the last 25 years. The Chanukah celebration is suitable for families with children ages 4 and up. Latkes will be served.

### **Hanukkah Art Tour**

The Jewish Museum, NY

<http://jewishmuseum.org/>

10:30 am – 12:30 pm, Adults \$12.00, Children \$10.00

Tour the Museum’s world famous collection of Hanukkah lamps. This tour is especially for families and will include sketching activities and an art workshop.

### **Chanukah at the JCC**

Jewish Community Center at Mid-Westchester,  
Scarsdale, NY

<http://www.jccmidwestchester.org/>

Suitable for families with children ages 3 and up.

### **and ongoing at the Jewish Museum~**

November 25, 2007-February 4, 2008

**Light X Eight: The Hanukkah Project**

The term Festival of Lights takes on new meaning at "Light x Eight," the fourth incarnation of a recurring holiday exhibit at the Jewish Museum. Eight emerging and mid-career artists explore the transformative properties of light by using everyday materials to create radiant, visual objects.

<http://www.jewishmuseum.org/>

**Oh Hanukkah, oh Hanukkah, come light the menorah!**



# Remember the Soldiers



This Chanukah, as you gather together with family and friends, we ask you to think about those who are unable to do so: captive Israeli soldiers, taken from their families and country in the line of duty. In addition to the three soldiers abducted this past summer, four soldiers were taken in Lebanon in the 1980's and one soldier disappeared in the 1990's from the Golan. All of them, Israel's young soldiers, are modern-day Maccabees - they defend the Jewish homeland, enabling Israel to build and sustain a flourishing society based on democratic values. As we are warmed by the light of the menorah, let us keep in mind these brave men who are now in the hands of terrorists, denied even their basic rights under the Geneva Convention. After lighting the candles, please take a moment to read the paragraph appropriate for each night. (For further information, please visit the website of the American Zionist Movement: [www.amz.org](http://www.amz.org))

## **First Night: Gilad Shalit**

This first night of Hanukkah, we have in our thoughts Gilad Shalit, a shy young man who excels in math and science and helps his parents run a Bed & Breakfast in the Galilee. But this ordinary teenager was placed in extraordinary circumstances when he was kidnapped by the terrorist organization Hamas at 5:40 in the morning of June 25, 2006. He is currently being held in the southern Gaza Strip.

Shalit celebrated his 20th birthday in captivity on August 28. Now he is marking yet another celebration - the Festival of Lights - in the custody of terrorists instead of at home where he belongs.

## **Second Night: Ehud Goldwasser**

On this second night, we keep in mind Ehud Goldwasser, captured by Hezbollah on July 12, 2006 in an incident that sparked the subsequent war in Lebanon. He had been married to his wife, Karnit, just 11 months before being shipped off for reserve duty, celebrating Karnit's 30th birthday the week before his departure. Karnit, who was forced to celebrate her one-year wedding anniversary alone, traveled to the United States this fall to raise awareness about the plight of the abducted soldiers and advocate for help in ensuring their release.

## **Third Night: Eldad Regev**

As we light the third candle, we remember Eldad Regev, captured along with Ehud Goldwasser (see second night) on that fateful date of July 12, 2006.

Eldad Regev, 26, from Kiryat Motzkin, is a law student at Bar Ilan University who also worked for Bezeq. His mother, Tova, passed away when he was in 12th grade. An avid football (soccer) fan, Eldad recently passed a coaching course and watched the last game of the World Cup the day before leaving home for reserve duty.

## **Fourth Night: Guy Hever**

On this fourth night, we think of Guy Hever. On August 17, 1997, Guy Hever (born May 30, 1977), a soldier in the Israeli army, was last seen at his army base on the southern Golan Heights. He was dressed in army fatigues and was carrying his weapon, key chain and international military identification papers. The area was searched thoroughly but no trace of him was found.

## **Fifth Night: Ron Arad**

On this fifth night, we remember Rod Arad, a navigator with the Israeli Air Force who was captured on October 16, 1986 by members of the Islamic fundamentalist Amal militia and later sold into the custody of the Iranian "Revolutionary Guards." He is believed to be held somewhere in Iran.

Ron and his wife Tami have a daughter Yuval, who was only an infant when her father disappeared. Ron was a student at the Technion-Israel Institute of

Technology, where he was pursuing a B.S. degree in chemical engineering at the time of his capture.

## **Sixth Night: Zachary Baumel**

On the sixth night, we have in mind Zachary Baumel, a dual Israeli-American citizen, captured by Syrian army forces during the battle of Sultan Yakoub on June 11, 1982.

Reports indicate that Baumel is alive and being held incommunicado by the Syrian government. Twenty-four years later, Baumel's parents Miriam and Yona are still eagerly awaiting the day when once again they can celebrate Hanukkah with their son.

## **Seventh Night: Zvi Feldman**

Our seventh candle is for Zvi Feldman, also captured in the battle of Sultan Yakoub (see sixth night) in 1982. At the time of his capture, he and his girlfriend were seriously considering marriage.

Feldman's father fled Europe after his entire family was killed in the Holocaust. His mother was a Moroccan immigrant.

## **Eighth Night: Yehuda Katz**

On the eighth and final night, we recall Yehuda Katz, also captured in the battle of Sultan Yakoub (see sixth night and fifth night). The son of Holocaust survivors Yosef and Sarah, Katz was a star pupil who spent all his days and nights in the Yeshiva beit midrash and dreamed of one day being a leading Judaic scholar and rabbinic figure.



*May all of these soldiers speedily return to their friends, families and countries and celebrate together next Chanukah.*

## Contributions

### Benevolent Outreach Fund

**In loving memory of Edith Raskob**, from Gerald & Alicia Raskob

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**In honor of Hayley Weisman's graduation**, from Melody & Ira Weisman

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**In loving memory of his parents and family members memorialized at TBS**, from Eugene Zinbarg

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**In loving memory of his brother, Seymour Bessen, M.D.**, from Herbert Bessen

**In loving memory of Benjamin Jaffe**, from Joseph Goldreich

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**In loving memory of Hilda Gershman**, from Muriel & Robert Jaffe

**In honor of Wendy and Joel Greenberg and all they do**, from the Jacobs Family

**In loving memory of Steven Robert's mother, Billie**, from Wendy & Joel Greenberg

**For the speedy recovery of David Freundlich**, from Wendy & Joel Greenberg

**In honor of Snowy, the new addition to the Weisman family**, from Wendy & Joel Greenberg

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**In loving memory of Sol Birnbaum**, from David & Lynn Michaels

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**For the speedy recovery of Max Lichtman**, from John Katzenstein

**In honor of the birth of granddaughter, Megan, to Jack and Frances Tesler**, from Ralph & Yvonne Horowitz

**For the speedy recovery of Marge Pollack**, from Ralph & Yvonne Horowitz

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**For the speedy recovery of Marge Pollack**, from Glenn & Nancy Sapir

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**In gratitude to Rabbi Kalev**, from Brona & Melvin Newfield

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**For the speedy recovery of Marge Pollack**, from Stuart & Carol Toledano

**In honor of Joe Deutsch's 65th birthday**, from Sue & Gary Loewenberg

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**For better and brighter days ahead for**  
**Carol Toledano,** from the MahJong Mavens

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**For the speedy recovery of Marge Pollack,**  
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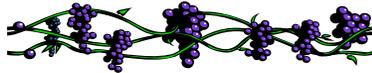
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*May Their Memory be a Blessing*



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Theresa Gralla  
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Mike Rosner

**3 November/22 Chesvan**  
Minnie Ekman  
Albert Ofrichter

**4 November/23 Chesvan**  
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Yetta Gunzburg  
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Samuel Posner

**8 November/27 Chesvan**  
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William Feibus  
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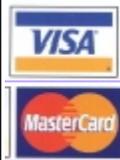
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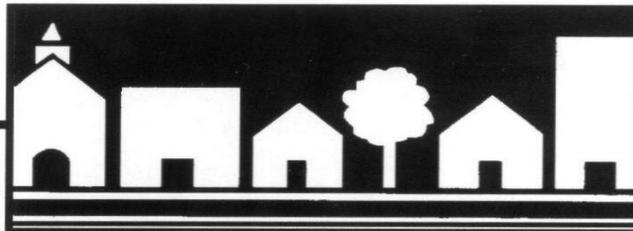
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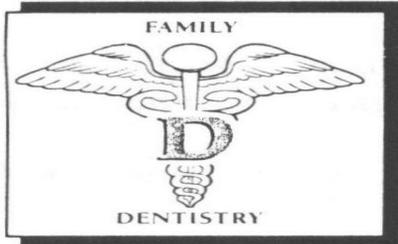
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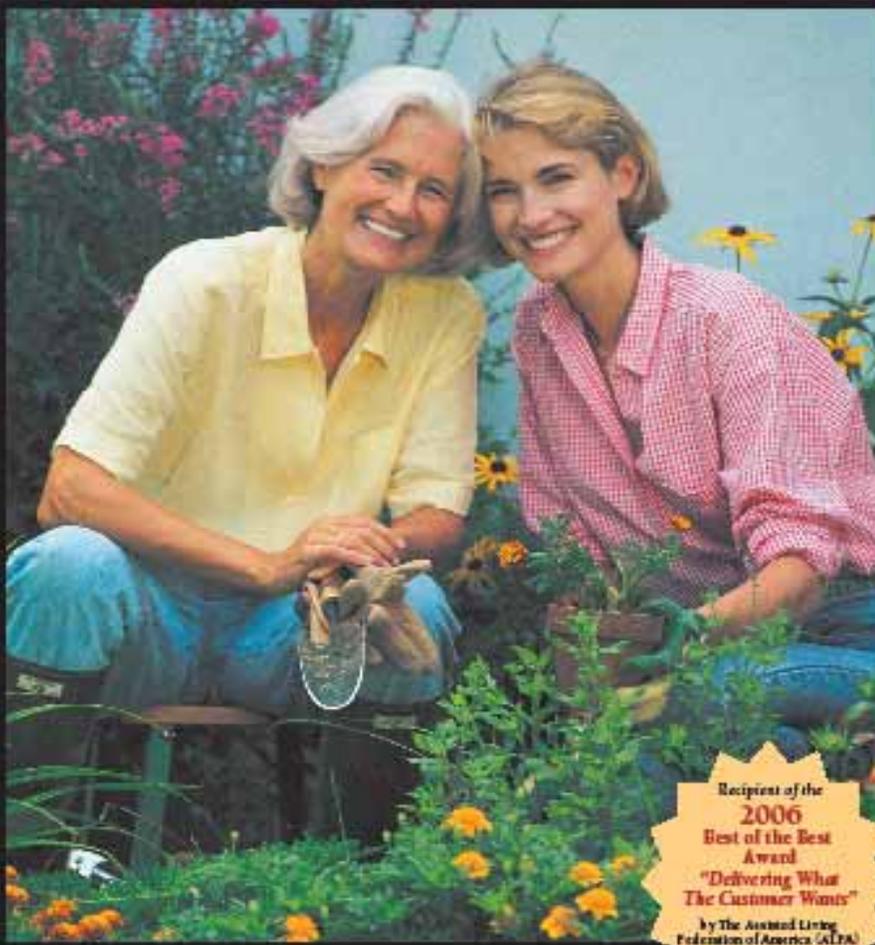
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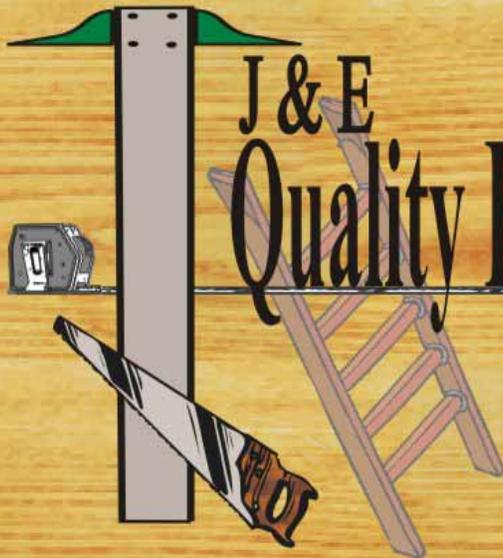
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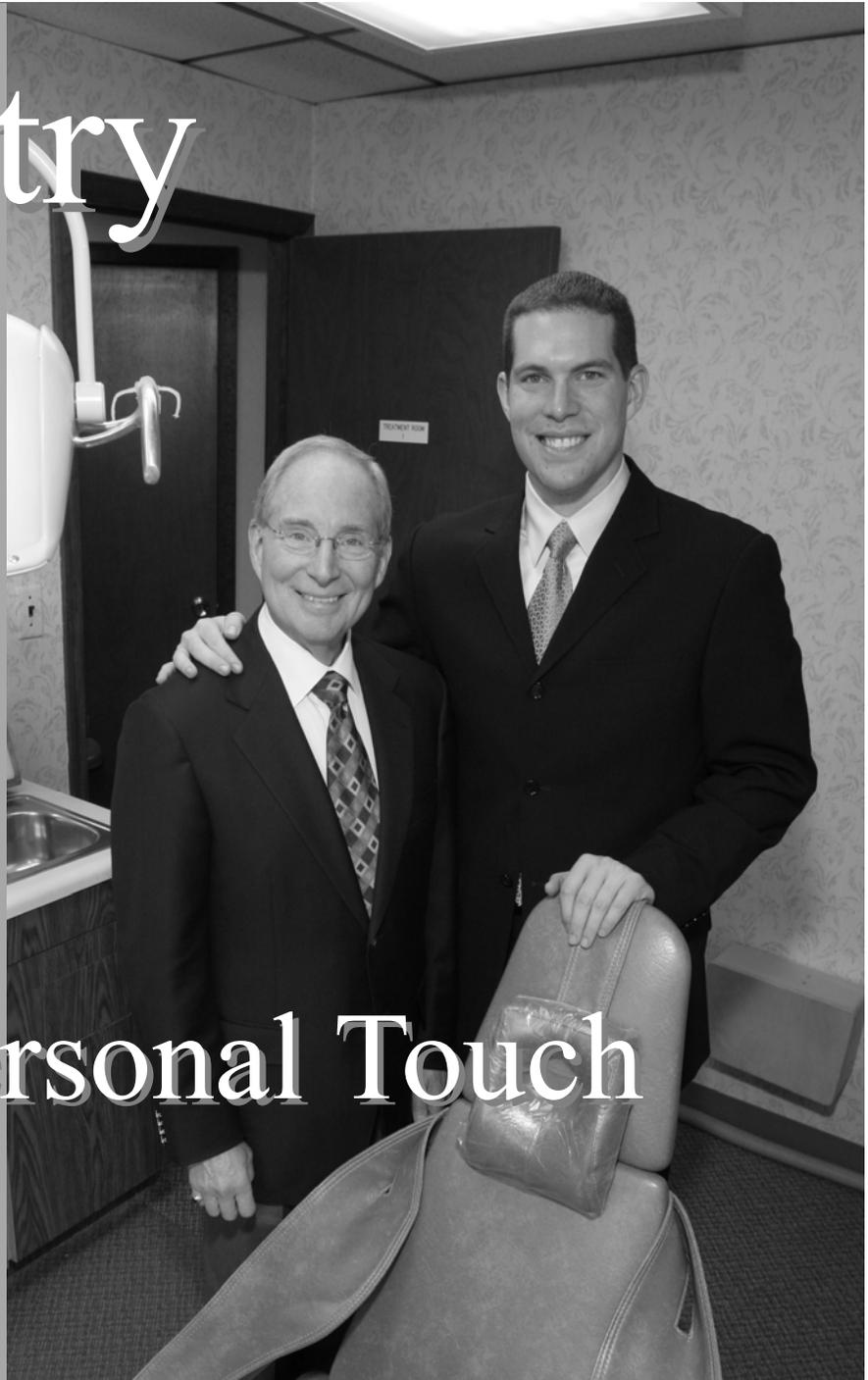
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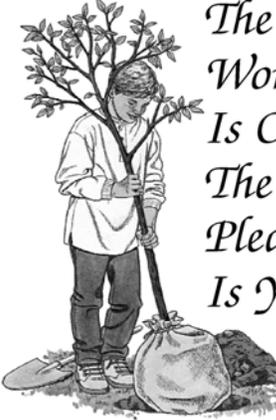
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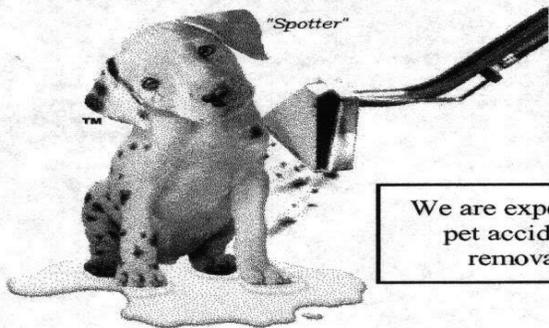
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