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Our Mission: The mission of Barnert Temple is to be a sacred community, a *k'hillah k'doshah*, committed to offering Reform Jewish experiences that are relevant, accessible and meaningful, wherein people of all ages and backgrounds are appreciated and valued, engaged and inspired.

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A Message from Rabbi Frishman

On the Cusp of this New Year...



Dear Friends,
On the cusp of this New Year, I reflect on the meaning of our lives.

In our new High Holiday *machzor* (prayerbook), from a poem by Langston Hughes¹:

“The past has been
a mint of blood and sorrow —
that must not be
true of tomorrow.”

Many times you’ve heard me describe Judaism as a particular path that can lead us ever higher to truth and oneness. *Each* people has its true path; and each path followed truly can lead all to the top of the mountain to embrace in oneness.

But there are diversions and perversions — terror, or worse, murder in the name of righteousness. No people or person is exempt from twists of the path. A Jew can be as guilty as any other person. No person is sanctified by killing in the name of God, whether *Adonai* or Jesus or *Allah*!

Surviving the Holocaust, the great Rabbi Leo Baeck wrote,

“(Our) people’s true history
is a history of encounters with God.
It has this history for its own sake
and the sake of humanity.
It bears it and is borne by it.
Every people is a question
which God addresses to humanity;
and every people, from its own place,
with its special talents and possibilities,
must answer for its own sake
and for the sake of humanity.”²

I believe in the *potential and worth* of every person. Judaism urges us to release it.

I believe in the *treasures* of our people — learning and celebration and deeply meaningful ritual.

I believe in our *obligation* to shape a realm of generous love and opportunity for all.

So in this season of preparation for the renewal of our souls, we reflect. **We look into ourselves** to assess our own roles in shaping this world — from our homes to our workplaces, our posts on Facebook, our tweets and our private and public conversations.

Consider this teaching of the *Baal Shem Tov*, founder of Chasidism:

“Your fellow being is a mirror for you.

If there is love and compassion in your soul,
you will see the goodness in others.

If you see a blemish in another,
it is your own imperfection you encounter.

Take careful note of the flaws you perceive in others.

This is the lesson for you:

they are your own flaws set before you,
a reminder of your spiritual work.”³

This season opens the gates for the renewed journey to begin.

Each of us has a choice, makes a choice of how to live each and every day. On the cusp of this New Year, recharge your soul!

Because no matter what occurs around us, science can only offer an account of *how* things happen. *Judaism teaches why*. It is in that grounded yet inspired recognition of our purpose and need for being that we come together to affirm Life’s value and meaning. We choose to demonstrate sacred values in every action of our lives, “when we lie down and when we rise up, when we walk and when we rest.” (Deuteronomy 4.)

We need each other.

We make each other better people.

And we become better people by being better Jews.

Despite all that might challenge our hopes and dreams, we will bear children and teach them to hope and dream.

We continue to hope.

To imagine. To plan and to act.

On *our* path up the mountain.

There’s so much at stake.

I can’t wait to greet you and be with you on *Rosh Hashanah*.
To begin again. Together!

L’shanah tovah.

Yours,

Rabbi Elyse Frishman

¹ *Mishkan HaNefesh*, Rosh Hashanah, p. 165

² *Ibid.*, p. 195, Rabbi Leo Baeck, imprisoned in Theresienstadt concentration camp. (This selection, too, can be found in our new *machzor*.)

³ *Mishkan HaNefesh*, Yom Kippur, p. 235

A Message From Rabbi Steiner

Discovering the Jewish Parent in Me



new parent might have (and also the ones you didn't even realize you had!).

Though I spent much of my teenage and adult life delving deeper into how Judaism provides me with structure and guidance, these past two years have presented a new opportunity: discovering not just the Jew in me but discovering the Jewish parent in me. Becoming Jewish parents have caused Dan and me to consider much more carefully what we say, how we behave, and which values will anchor our family. I am also working on teaching our boys to swim. More on this later.

It's really about how we "do Jewish" in our family. With a toddler and a baby we are not yet up to answering the deep, spiritual questions I know (I hope!) we can expect in the next few years. Right now it is about modeling Jewish living and ensuring that our boys grow up with Jewish anchors.

Celebrating holidays as a family is something I had always looked forward to. This past year was our first with a little one in our Barnert Preschool. I loved hearing about what he learned in school as we sat around the table celebrating the Jewish holidays with our families. And *Shabbat*! We sing *Shabbat* songs, we light candles and bless the grape juice and the *challah*. And Ezra loves it. He knows that each week *Shabbat* comes with music, with special things to eat and drink, and with time set aside for our family to be together. (He also continues to be a little disappointed when I bring out only the *Shabbat* candlesticks and not the *Chanukah menorahs* each week!)

Nothing really prepares you for becoming a parent — from profound exhaustion to immeasurable joy. The learning curve is steep but if we are lucky we have access to support along the way in family, friends, our preschool professionals, and any number of parenting books and websites to answer almost any question a

We will continue to add to the way we tell the stories behind each holiday, offering more nuance as our boys get older.

I am excited about the questions we will ask and the conversations that will follow. We will find the balance between doing what our families have done and creating new Jewish rituals and traditions in our family. We will find new recipes and new songs but we will continue to do this in the context of Jewish time, which is punctuated each week with *Shabbat* and each season with holidays that encourage us to reflect and to grow.

Becoming parents has helped us to identify which values would be central to our family. Joy. Gratitude.

Generosity. Family that loves and supports us as we grow into who we will become. Continuing to learn. Being proud members of a Jewish community and responsible citizens of the world. These are what come to mind when I think about how we have become Jewish parents. These are values deeply rooted in Jewish tradition and they are anchors for our family. Right now we are modeling this, "doing Jewish." And as our family gets older we will be able

to discuss not only the "how" but also the "why."

The *Talmud* contains a passage about what obligations parents have to our children. We must bring them into the covenant, teach them *Torah*, support them if they seek out a partner, and help them to begin their professional careers. Then there is one more item tacked onto the list: we must teach our children to swim. This list reminds me that in many ways we are on the right path as Jewish parents and that in even more ways we will continue to learn. And now you know why swim lessons are on the top of my Jewish parenting to-do list. Jewish parenting is anchored in providing our children with the support and the skills they will need to build a life where they can survive and thrive, a life of meaning, connection and purpose.

Judaism gives us the tools. What a blessing that we have each other to travel this road together.

—Rabbi Rachel Steiner



SHABBAT AND HOLIDAY WORSHIP WITH RABBI FRISHMAN AND RABBI STEINER

Shabbat services are reflective yet joyous — a true renewal of the spirit. You may come in tired, but you'll walk away renewed and revived. It's a promise! All ages are welcome, and dress is nice-casual. And we have the best *Oneg Shabbat* desserts — check out the chocolate caramel pretzels! On the first Friday, the 7 pm service is followed by a potluck supper.

Our High Holiday services are thoughtful and joyful, with a focus for every age.

Friday, September 4
7 pm Service
8 pm Potluck Supper

Saturday, September 5
7:30 pm *Selichot*

Friday, September 11
8 pm Service

Saturday, September 12
10 am Service, *Bar Mitzvah*
of Andrew Pleeter

Sunday, September 13
8 pm *Erev Rosh Hashanah*
Evening Service

Monday, September 14
9:15 am *Torah* Tots and
Kavanah Kids
9:30 am Morning Service
and Junior Congregation
12:30 pm Community
Kiddush Picnic
1:30 pm Outdoor Young
Family Holiday Experience
3 pm *Tashlich* Ceremony

Tuesday, September 15
10 am Service and *Torah*
Study, Informal

Friday, September 18
8 pm Service

Tuesday, September 22
7:45 pm *Kol Nidre*

Wednesday, September 23
9 am Young Family
Yom Kippur Service
10:45 am *Torah* Tots and
Kavanah Kids
11 am Morning Service and
Junior Congregation
2 pm Adult and Teen Study
Sessions
3:15 pm Afternoon Service
of Renewal
4:45 pm *Yizkor* Service
5:30 pm *Neilah*, Closing
Service, Break the Fast

Friday, September 25
8 pm Service

Saturday, September 26
10 am Service, *Bar Mitzvah*
of Robert Farber

Friday, October 2
7 pm *Sukkot-in-Shabbat*
Dinner Celebration
"Around The Tables"
Potluck Supper

Saturday, October 3
9:30 am *Torah* Study,
Sukkot
10 am Young Family *Shabbat*
7 pm Adult Confirmation
Celebration

Sunday, October 4
7 pm *Simchat Torah*
Celebration

Monday, October 5
7:30 am *Yizkor*

Friday, October 9
7 pm Service

Saturday, October 10
10 am Service, *Bar Mitzvah*
of Zachary Strauss

Friday, October 16
5 pm *Tot Shabbat* and
Pizza Dinner
8 pm Service

Saturday, October 17
9:30 am *Rosh Chodesh*
10 am Service, *Bar Mitzvah*
of Jared Packman

Friday, October 23
8 pm Service

Saturday, October 24
9:30 am *Torah* Study,
Lech Lecha
10 am Service, *B'nai Mitzvah*
of Alexi Levine and
Ryan Levine

Friday, October 30
8 pm Service

Saturday, October 31
10 am Service,
Bat Mitzvah of Tiffany
Becker

Shabbat Shalom שבת שלום

Blessing before Giving Tzedakah

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם,
אשר קדשנו במצותיו, וצונו לרדוף צדק.



Baruch atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech haolam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu lirdof tzedek.

We praise You, *Adonai* our God, Sovereign of the universe, who calls us to holiness through mitzvot, commanding us to pursue justice.



Candlelighting Blessing

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם,
אשר קדשנו במצותיו, וצונו להדליק נר של שבת.

Baruch atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech haolam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu l'hadlik ner shel Shabbat.

We praise You, *Adonai* our God, Sovereign of the universe, who hallows us with mitzvot and commands us to kindle the light of Shabbat.

Blessing for Wine or Grape Juice

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, בורא פרי הגפן.

Baruch atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech haolam, borei p'ri hagafen.

We praise You, *Adonai* our God, Sovereign of the universe, Creator of the fruit of the vine.



Blessing Over Bread

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם,
המוציא לחם מן הארץ.

Baruch atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech haolam, hamotzi lechem min haaretz.

We praise You, *Adonai* our God, Sovereign of the universe, who causes bread to come forth from the earth.

Blessing for All Children

יברכך יי וישמרך.
יאר יי פניו אליך ויחנך.
ישא יי פניו אליך וישם לך שלום.

Y'varech'cha Adonai v'yishm'recha. Ya-eir Adonai panav eilecha vichuneka.

Yisa Adonai panav eilecha v'yascim l'cha shalom.

May God bless you and keep you. May God look kindly upon you, and be gracious to you.
May God reach out to you in tenderness, and give you peace.



BAR/BAT MITZVAH PROFILES

ANDREW PLEETER

September 12, 2015

Hi, my name is Andrew Pleeter and I am in 7th grade. I enjoy playing baseball, spending time with my friends and family, and playing the guitar. My favorite subject in school is science. In the summer, I go to a sleepaway camp in upstate New York called Southwoods, which I enjoy immensely. My family members are my mom and dad, and my younger brother, Josh.

For my *mitzvah* project I have chosen to work with the Adler Aphasia Center in Maywood, New Jersey. Aphasia is a communication disorder usually found with people who had suffered a stroke or had a traumatic event to the brain. Adler is a non-profit organization that provides assistance, support and socialization to patients. My dad had a stroke and suffered from aphasia so this is very important to me. I have spent time with patients at Adler as well as made a wooden cart for their tablets, books and e-readers. I also participated with patients in the computer lab and the technology group. I helped others who have aphasia because they cannot speak clearly or fluently and cannot use their gadgets properly. The Adler Aphasia Center brought me great joy and appreciation in helping others. For my *Tzedakah* project, I will be donating part of my *Bar Mitzvah* gifts to the Adler Aphasia Center. I also encourage family and friends to make a donation, no matter how large or small, to Adler.

I sincerely want to thank everyone who has helped me prepare for my *Bar Mitzvah*, including Rabbi Frishman, Rabbi Steiner, Cantor Bromberg, Helen Fleischmann, Sara Losch, as well as all of my great teachers. I thank Eddie Hulse at Barefoot Cabinetry for facilitating the woodworking component of my

mitzvah project. I would also like to thank my parents, my brother Josh, grandparents and friends who always inspire me in everything I do. I cannot wait to become a *Bar Mitzvah* and celebrate with all of the people I love.

ZACHARY STRAUSS

October 10, 2015

Hi my name is Zach Strauss and I'm in seventh grade. I live with my mom and dad, my older sister Alli, my older brother Jeff, and my dog Cruzer. I enjoy watching and playing sports with my friends and family, and I'm happy when I spend time with them. Camp is my second home and I love to spend my summers there with my friends.

For my *mitzvah* project I volunteer at the Oasis Shelter in Paterson, New Jersey. Oasis is a place where children go after school for help, food, and fun with friends. During my time at Oasis I help children with their homework, play games, and overall just have fun with them. Through my experiences at Oasis I have realized how fortunate I am and how fantastic my life really is.

I would like to thank the teachers at Barnert that helped me through my *Bar Mitzvah* training. Special thanks to Morah Edith, Helen Fleischmann, Rabbi Frishman, Rabbi Steiner, and Cantor Bromberg for helping me with my *Torah* and *Haftarah* portions. Finally, a loving thanks to my family for supporting and motivating me through this exciting time. I can't wait to celebrate with them.

JARED PACKMAN

October 17, 2015

Hi, my name is Jared Packman. I am in 7th grade. I have two families: one with

my mom, Patrick, and me; the other is with my dad, Michele, Katelyn, Christina, me, and our two dogs Teddy and Peanut.

I have chosen two *mitzvah* projects. One is the *Matzah Ball Mensch* Club. I chose it because I thought it is nice to deliver people warm soup and a story when they were feeling sick. The next project is the Hackensack River Keepers. I chose this one because I feel it is important to keep our world clean and every piece of garbage makes a difference so I decided to help the cause. I attend cleanup sessions once or twice a month with my family to clean up the Hackensack River by picking up the garbage. They also have wading boots so I can pick up the garbage that ends up in the river and streams.

The Ramapo Bergen Animal Refuge in Oakland, NJ, is the place I have chosen as my *mitzvah* collection project. This animal shelter takes in animals that have been mistreated and unwanted, and occasionally strays. They only collect dogs and cats but they treat them very well and are good at finding them good, loving homes. I chose to support an animal shelter because I love animals and I think they deserve good treatment like we do, including love, food and shelter. I will be asking people for donations of money and/or supplies to help support this shelter. When I am old enough, I would also like to be a volunteer at the shelter to work hands-on with the animals.

I would like to thank everyone for all their help. I would like to give a special thanks to Morah Edith, Cantor Bromberg, Rabbi Frishman, Rabbi Steiner, Sara Losch, Helen Fleischmann, and my parents for all of their support and help. I am very excited to finally have my *Bar Mitzvah* and celebrate with everyone.

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ALEXI LEVINE

October 24, 2015

My name is Lexi Levine and I am in 7th grade. I live with my mom, dad and twin brother Ryan. I love playing many sports, especially basketball, tennis and soccer. I also like to play piano and have just started to play the guitar, which I might even like better. We have a dog (Coco) and a cat (Bella).

For my volunteer *mitzvah* project I have been working with my friend, Leah Krantz, to make desserts for the St. Paul's Men's Shelter in Paterson. Barnert Temple has a longstanding relationship of providing and serving monthly meals to this shelter and it's been a rewarding experience to be part of. My *tzedakah* project recipient is the Children of Fallen Patriots. Helping support college funding for children who have lost a parent in active duty in the Armed Forces, this is a cause

we are happy to be a small part of.

I would like to thank all my teachers for their wisdom and patience. While I didn't start off as the most promising Hebrew student, I evolved into an engaged and enthused *Bat Mitzvah* candidate at the hands of my encouraging teachers. Thank you Helen Fleischmann, Morah Edith, Rabbi Steiner and Rabbi Frishman.

RYAN LEVINE

October 24, 2015

My name is Ryan Levine and I am in 7th grade. I live with my mom, dad and twin sister, Lexi. I love playing many sports, especially soccer and tennis. I also like to play piano and the trumpet. We have a dog (Coco) and a cat (Bella). This past year I enrolled at a new school, Dwight-Englewood, and I'm really happy there.

I played on both the middle school tennis and soccer teams last season.

For my volunteer *mitzvah* project I have been working with the Family Promise Shelter in Ridgewood. Barnert Temple has been working with this organization for a long time. Family Promise provides support to working families in the area who are temporarily experiencing financial hardship. My *tzedakah* project recipient is the Children of Fallen Patriots. Helping support college funding for children who have lost a parent in active duty in the Armed Forces, this is a cause my sister and I are happy to be a part of.

I would like to thank all my teachers for their wisdom and patience. I've enjoyed my learning experience at Barnert and the entire staff was very accommodating as I tried to get back from Englewood in time to make my classes. Thank you Helen Fleischmann, Morah Edith, Rabbi Steiner and Rabbi Frishman.

SHALOM! TICKET PICK-UP SCHEDULE!

The High Holidays will be here before we know it!
***Rosh Hashanah* begins this year on the evening of Sunday, September 13.**

Ticket pick-up dates and times for Member family guest tickets and Associate Member family guest tickets are as follows:

- ❖ **Monday, August 31: 10 am – noon**
- ❖ **Tuesday, September 1: 6 – 7:30 pm**
- ❖ **Tuesday, September 8: 4:30 pm – 6 pm**
- ❖ **Sunday, September 20: 9 – 11 am**

Tickets for family guests are given out at the Temple.
(Your personal tickets will be mailed to you.)

Note: a gentle reminder to fulfill your financial obligations in order to receive tickets.

A Message from the President



L'shanah tovah! For me, the end of summer is always bittersweet — sad to see the end of long, sun-filled days, of barbecues with friends, of sailing on the Hudson River and Long Island Sound, and of enjoying life at a slower pace. And yet, I eagerly look forward to the new year as fall envelopes us with the beautiful

colors of the changing season. The cool crisp evenings bring great promise of new adventures with my family and friends and of new opportunities for me to learn and grow, especially here at Barnert Temple. The High Holidays for me are a chance to take stock in myself, to step back from the frantic pace of the working world and immerse myself in spiritual exploration. The extraordinary *Kol Nidre* melody, the special liturgy and the Barnert community worshipping together help to uplift me and reenergize me as we join Jews around the world in welcoming the new year.

This summer Len and I joined nine other friends on a three-day hike in the Presidential Range of the White Mountains. On the first day, we hiked up eight hours in glorious sunshine to a hut called Lakes of the Clouds about 6,000 feet up on Mount Washington, run by the Appalachian Mountain Club, an amazing conservation organization. The hut has 90 bunk beds stacked in threes and is staffed by college students who greet the hungry and exhausted hikers each day with a hearty dinner and silly skits. In the hut and on the trail we met people from all over the country — and the world — who had come to this challenging and stunningly beautiful place to seek adventure. The views of mountains went on for 50 miles all around. With each step we walked higher and higher above the tree line, amazed at the variety of alpine plants that thrive in that area and in awe of the endless sky and stunning views. The next day a dense blanket of fog settled over the mountains. We hiked another eight hours to Madison Springs Hut. We could only see 20 or 30 feet ahead of us all day, and the entire trail was covered in wet rocks. At one point, we came across a sign that warned us to turn back, that weather conditions were harsh and that only experienced hikers should continue on. We worked together as a team to look for the cairns — piles of rocks that were set 20 – 40 feet apart that marked the trail in this rugged wilder-

ness. The rapid change in weather from one day to the next was a reminder for me of how quickly our own lives can change and how, together, we can help each other through life's many twists and turns. For me, this hike was a chance to push myself to new limits and to escape from the frenetic life at sea level for a few days. At the end of the three days I was exhausted and exhilarated, and came back down the mountain recharged and ready for new challenges.

Exploration does not always mean climbing mountains. At Barnert, there are so many ways to explore our Jewish identity; to connect with wonderful people and to find support, meaning, comfort and knowledge — whatever we need to help us through our life's journey. We have classes, film series, potluck dinners, many opportunities for helping others through our Caring Community and our Social Action groups, and of course, *Shabbat* worship, my favorite time of the week.

I hope you'll join me in my explorations this year at Barnert, and perhaps on the trail! I'd love to know about your adventures and what we can do at Barnert Temple to help you in your own explorations of life.

A happy and sweet new year to you and your family.

Much love,
—Kathy



Sukkot and Simchat Torah Celebrations



Sukkot BBQ and Garden Harvest Celebration

Erev Sukkot, Sunday, September 27 at 5:30 pm

Rain or Shine!

Celebrate the harvest outside or under our indoor *sukkah*!

Music, stories, *Torah* and the *shofar* blast!

Designed especially for young families.

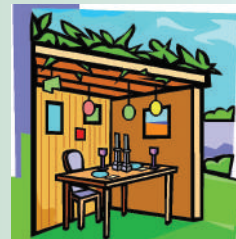
Young Family Sukkot-in-the-Orchard and Apple Picking

Monday, September 28 at 11 am

Sukkot-in-Shabbat Dinner Celebration: “Around The Tables” – Potluck Supper

Friday, October 2 at 7 pm

Join us for a special potluck supper and *Shabbat* celebration around dinner tables in our beautiful social hall. Weather permitting, we'll be outside in the *sukkahs*!



This won't be a regular service.

We'll celebrate the season with an emphasis on story, song and supper. (*Kabbalat Shabbat* and *Kaddish* for loved ones will be included.)

If your last name begins with A – K, bring a main dish; L – Z, bring a salad or a side dish.

Please plan on bringing enough to serve 8 to 10 people. Food should be “kosher style,” that is, no pork or shellfish and no mixing of meat and dairy in the same dish.

Women of Barnert will provide the desserts!

RSVP to Natalie Cohen at ncohen1847@barnerttemple.org.

Every Day of Sukkot

feel free to bring your lunch or dinner and eat in our beautiful sukkahs!



Simchat Torah Celebration

Join us on Sunday, October 4 at 7 pm.

Welcome our new students and dance with the *Torah*!

- Consecration of beginning Religious School students
- Honoring the generations
- Wave your flags! (Bring your own or use one of ours)
- Dance with our *Torahs* to the melodies of our home-grown *klezmer* band!
- Help unwrap the *Torah* around us all and “plant” your own *Torah* leaves
- Yummy Barnert refreshments to follow

Yizkor, Simchat Torah Morning

Monday, October 5 at 7:30 am

Come and join us for an early morning *yizkor* to remember our loved ones in the gentle quiet of our sanctuary.



Selichot: Opening Our Hearts to the Soul of the New Year...

**Labor Day Weekend –
Saturday, September 5, at 7 pm**

Powerful music and meaningful preparation for the High Holiday Sacred Season with our adult and junior choirs and High Holiday quartet.



Yom Kippur Study Session Wednesday, September 23, at 2 pm

On the holiest day of the year, join your Barnert community for a thoughtful, provocative conversation.

Taught by Rabbi Elyse Frishman.

Rosh Hashanah Picnic Rain or Shine! Monday, September 14, at 12:30 pm

The Barnert community's *Rosh Hashanah* Picnic tradition continues! Immediately following services, enjoy a festive light nosh. Rain or shine, we'll be together to continue the celebration of 5776.

Yizkor Remembering Loved Ones Throughout the Year Wednesday, September 23, at 4:45 pm

Our Jewish calendar offers opportunities throughout the year to remember loved ones who are no longer with us. In addition to the annual *yahrzeit* that marks the anniversary of a death, Yizkor services of remembrance are held during Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Passover and Shavuot. These services embrace you in community love and support.

Barnert Temple Introduces **Mishkan HaNefesh** The Machzor for the Days of Awe

The Barnert Community will be using the newly published *Mishkan HaNefesh*, the *machzor* (High Holiday prayerbook) for the Days of Awe. There are two volumes, Gold for *Rosh Hashanah* and Silver for Yom Kippur (as shown).

Mishkan HaNefesh provides avenues for meaningful liturgy for both regular service attendees and those new to Jewish spirituality and practice. It bridges the personal and the communal, the ritual and ethical dimensions of the Days of Awe. The rich liturgical voices of the Jewish past and the aspirations of our people today are embraced in these volumes.



A Message from Sara Losch

There is Change on the Horizon



Shalom! Welcome to this first edition of our beautiful magazine for the Jewish year 5776.

Whether you are new to our community or have been among us for generations, there is much to learn, and I am blessed to be one of the guides on your personal Jewish journey.

My title is Director of Lifelong Learning, which means I am the hands-on leader of our world-class Preschool and remarkable Religious School. For both schools, there is change on the horizon as our teachers and I continue to become fluent in progressive learning techniques based on current educational trends. We are so fired up by what we are experiencing, knowing that simple additions to our current philosophy are going to make our children even more passionate about being lifelong learners. A love of learning, and being open to new learning experiences, are top goals for our children.

Besides my teaching at Barnert — I teach our 6th and 8th grades as well as the adult *Rosh Chodesh*, Women's study classes — I am also a student at Barnert. I attend as many *Torah* and *Talmud* classes as I can, and I learn something wonderful at every Friday night *Shabbat* service. Had anyone told me when I finished college that I would be protective of my time to study, I would have laughed. I felt so done! Yet now I search out opportunities for study *lishma*, study for its own sake. With each session there is inevitably a morsel of Jewish thought that resonates with me, often causing me to rethink behaviors, attitudes or relationships. Once, ready to purchase a treadmill, I found myself unable to try one out in a store where I knew we would not be buying it. "Window shopping" is an unfair practice, according to the *Talmud*. I would have been taking the time of the salesperson, giving him the false belief that he was going to make a sale.

I tell my students that the *Torah* (*Talmud* and other important Jewish texts as well) acts as our internal GPS. When we are lost or are unsure of our direction (behavior, responses), we can check in Jewishly. *Mitzvot* (commandments) and *middot* (literally measure or norms) provide support as we make our way through an increasingly complicated world. We all need guidance. Judaism offers so much with few barriers to begin the search.

There are many ways to learn: through teaching (I often learn more from my students than they from me), reading alone, discussing ideas in community. As a *k'hillah k'doshah*, a sacred community, we understand and respect that how and what you learn is part of your journey. Our job is to guide you on your path, to be available, and to offer flexible learning models. Our Vision and Mission statements reflect who we are. You can read our Temple and educational Vision and Mission statements on page 13. In the next issue of the magazine, you'll learn about how our Religious School will be transitioning to a very flexible model for families who are increasingly challenged by busy lives.

It is my hope that each of you finds your own path toward Jewish learning and that we have conversations about it along the way.

For Jorge, Jessie and Gabby, we wish you and yours a healthy, meaningful High Holiday experience.

—Sara Losch, Director of Lifelong Learning

**Adult Confirmation Ceremony
Saturday, October 3
7 pm**

**Join your Barnert Community
as We Celebrate
Our Adult Confirmands
During the Festival of Sukkot**

Jewels of Elul XI, 10 Years of Inspiration.

Now in its eleventh year, *Jewels of Elul* is a booklet filled with short, inspirational insights from 29 contributors selected from the previous 10 editions.

The *Jewels of Elul* became available on the first day of *Elul*, August 16. You can read all the "Jewels" each day for the month of *Elul* by signing up at www.jewelsofelul.com.

BARNERT TEMPLE VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

OUR VISION

We are a welcoming Reform Jewish community, connected by the realization that we are part of something larger than ourselves, continually striving to excel at opening doors for ethical and spiritual growth.

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Barnert Temple is to be a sacred community, a *k'hillah k'doshah*, committed to offering Reform Jewish experiences that are relevant, accessible and meaningful, wherein people of all ages and backgrounds are appreciated and valued, engaged and inspired.

LIFELONG LEARNING MISSION STATEMENTS

PRESCHOOL

The Barnert Temple Preschool helps children become critical thinkers, creative problem-solvers, and positive forces in the world. We provide families with the tools to establish a Jewish home and a safe environment for the cultivation of Jewish values. Our preschool provides the foundation for young families to become part of Barnert Temple and the larger Jewish community.

"Whoever teaches a child teaches not only that child, but that child's child, and so on to the end of generations." – Kiddushin 36

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Barnert Temple's Jewish schooling is a laboratory for learning how to live Jewishly.

Our K-12 experience:

- relies on partnership with individuals, families, professional educators, and clergy
- roots us in the wisdom of our heritage
- prepares us to meet the challenges of our lives and our world

And God said to Abram, "לך לך Lech L'cha, Go forth." – Genesis 12:1

ADULT LEARNING

Adult Jewish learning at Barnert Temple helps us to live each day with greater meaning, celebrate the richness of Judaism, and manage life's challenges, both as individuals and as a sacred community.

Learning is dynamic, and each person's contribution is valued.

We open doors to:

- comfort with Jewish text and practice
- spiritual and ethical exploration
- emotional and intellectual engagement with our heritage

"Turn it and turn it, for everything is in it " – Ben Bag Bag, Pirkei Avot 5:25

ADULT EDUCATION: FIND YOUR PLACE!

Kabbalah

Sunday, September 27, 9 am

Through text and discussion, meditation and reflection, explore the relevancy of Jewish mysticism in the life of the rational and spiritual Jew. (This course is an Intermediate *Kabbalah* program that follows the Beginners class that was held during the summer.)

Adult Confirmation

These sessions are for the current cohort of adult students.

Sunday, September 20, 11 am

Wednesday, September 30, 7:30 pm

Saturday, October 3, 7 pm – Celebration

Jewish Values for Parents

Tuesdays at 11:15 am

September 29; October 6, 13, 20 and 27

Come together to engage in thought-provoking encounters with core Jewish values. Be empowered while learning to support your growing Jewish family. Bring your own lunch; we'll provide hot beverages.

Intro to Judaism (co-hosted by *Beth Haverim Shir Shalom* and *Barnert Temple*)

Wednesday, October 14 – February 24, 7:30 pm

Registration required

A 16-week course for anyone interested in exploring Judaism — Jews looking for adult-level basics, interfaith couples, those considering conversion — and the funda-

mentals of Jewish thought and practice. Topics include Jewish holidays and life-cycle events, theology and prayer, Israel, history and Hebrew. Tired of being “culturally Jewish, but not practicing?” Wondering if Judaism might be more fun than the religion you grew up with? Wondering how to create a Jewish home or raise Jewish children? You wonder if there's more to it than what you forgot from Hebrew School? Wonder no more!

Talmud Study

Thursday at 7:30 pm, beginning October 15.

Join our Rabbi Joel Soffin for our modern-day discussion of the *Talmud*. Learn how to shop, talk, and think Jewishly. Look behind the scenes at the lives of ancient rabbis and learn from their triumphs and missteps. Most of all, enter into the historic Jewish conversation and discover your own Jewish soul. Be prepared to think differently as you engage in the world. As with our *Torah* classes, no experience necessary and new friends are always welcome!

Torah Study

Saturdays, twice a month, beginning October 24 at 9:30 am

Enjoy an in-depth and highly engaging exploration of the *Torah* portion of the week with Rabbi Joel Soffin and Rabbi Rachel Steiner. We begin with breakfast at 9:30 am (participants take turns providing the food) and discussion at 10 am. Discover the relevance of *Torah* as we interpret it and bring it to life. No experience necessary and new friends are always welcome!

BOOK CLUB

October...

For October 8, we will tackle the book *My Brilliant Friend* by Elena Ferrante. This book is currently not available in the Bergen County Library system. We will meet at the home of Janet Finke in Wyckoff.

Any Temple member is welcome at our discussions. Call Benita Herman to help arrange a carpool, at (201) 891-2509.

Oh, and of course there is always fresh coffee and healthy treats.

Read on, and on! Join the book club and come when you can. We are easy.

—Benita Herman

Kabbalah, continued

Sunday, September 27, 9 am

Rabbi Frishman continues the exploration of *Kabbalah*, building from last year. Through text and discussion, meditation and reflection, explore the relevancy of Jewish mysticism in the life of the spiritual Jew. (This course is an intermediate *Kabbalah* program that follows the last year's class and a class that was held during the summer.)



Poetry Corner

The Reservoir of the Heart

*for David & Pamela
Deuteronomy 10:12-14*

A honeybee in distress is upside down
On the picnic table behind the synagogue
Where I sit and eat and study Torah
It landed with a sudden silent thud

I brush away three or five red ants
Who have no business with the bee or me
While I chew and chant the verses' tropes

I glance up now and see the bee recovering
The wings are straightened out on upright legs
In this way I will live my life

A portion of the bee's face is white
I wonder if it has some sort of fungus
Or if insecticide was on a flower
I worry for the wellness of the hive

Perhaps the bee is simply old like me
The battery of my phone begins to die
I turn it off and take my wristwatch off
In this way I will live my life

The respirator muscle of the bee
Begins to throb upon a closer look
As my finger approaches its hoary face
And gently strokes each antenna with love

It turns to look at me and then it rests
As I resume my study and my sandwich
The ants no longer dare to bother us

A little while later I am finished
And lo & behold the bee has flown away
I turn my phone back on to my wife's ring
Calling worried about my state of mind

I tell her all about the bee and Torah
In this way I will live my life

Robert A Kwartler
2015

CAMP BARNERT

Camp Barnert had such a wonderful summer! It was a year of firsts for many campers: some learned to swim or go down the big slide at Brookside Swim Club for the very first time, some walked across the rope bridge without help or maybe tried a tomato from the garden. Please tell your friends that when they think about camp for next year, Camp Barnert offers big adventures for little campers ages 15 months to 5 years!



BACK TO SCHOOL!

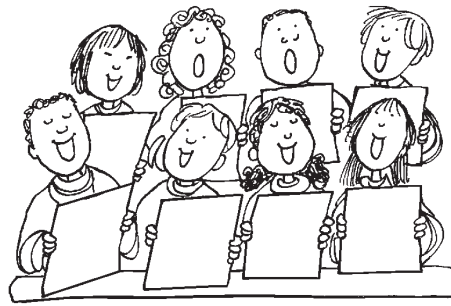
We are entering our 2015 – 2016 school year, one in which we will be engaging all children in ever more progressive ways. Through math exploration with loose parts; discovery by tinkering; encouraging language development through creative questioning, trial and error and Reggio-inspired art — all of these early-childhood learning techniques will be part of our enhanced curriculum in the fall. As always, our dedicated staff will keep parents up to date through social media platforms, helping parents understand why each second their children spend with us is educationally valuable.

What's New?

We broke down walls, expanding and updating our classrooms to offer more room to grow, play and explore. Our new music program, "Music Speaks," comes highly recommended from some of our Barnert moms and is going to have our children rocking! We have expanded our "Pre-Preschool" offerings to include a class for babies and their caregivers

called *Olam Baby* ("baby world"). It meets Fridays at 9 am and finishes with *Shabbat* party at 10 am.





BARNERT TEMPLE JUNIOR CHOIR

Do you LOVE TO SING?

Join the 3RD–6TH GRADERS'
BARNERT TEMPLE JUNIOR CHOIR
with Rabbi STEINER.

We'll sing great Jewish music and have fun doing it.
You don't need to have a great voice,
but you do need great "*ruach*" (energy).

The Junior Choir rehearses from 11–11:30 am
in Rabbi Steiner's office.

Our first date will be September 20.

If you are interested, please e-mail Rabbi Steiner
at rabbisteiner@barnerttemple.org.

Jewish Values Parenting with Rabbi Rachel Steiner



Come together to engage in
thought-provoking encounters with
core Jewish values.

Be empowered while learning
to support your growing Jewish family.

Classes are all on Tuesdays, from 11:15 to 12:30.
Bring your own lunch. We'll provide hot beverages.

Dates:
September 29,
October 6, 13, 20 and 27

Questions? Thoughts?
Contact Rabbi Steiner at 201-848-1800
or RabbiSteiner@barnerttemple.org



BarTY

BarTY: We Put the B in Party

Hi, I'm Anya Gips and I have been an active member of Barnert Temple since second grade. Not only was I a *Bat Mitzvah* and a Confirmand but now I am proud to say I am the BarTY president for the 2015 – 2016 year!

How did I get here? you may ask. Well, at the beginning of my freshman year, I was introduced to BarTY — Barnert Temple's Youth Group — and since then, I have been an engaged member; it totally changed my life. For the past three years I have been on the BarTY Board, and in this role, I have been able to help shape BarTY to become the rewarding and fun opportunity it is.

For all, BarTY is a special community which is open to everyone. Cool events — like going to a trampoline park or to New York City for scavenger hunts, or out to eat with interesting teens from all over Bergen County — is a surefire recipe for a memorable time. Even if you are not involved in Barnert, there is a place for you in BarTY. In this youth group, we create meaningful and enjoyable programs to create connections between people. We make it easy to live and act Jewishly without even having to think about it. As Jews, we are a minority in this world, so it is so COOL to be around only Jewish teens. I love the fact that all the kids in BarTY feel comfortable around each other and this makes it a place where friendships are easy to form and good times are had by all.

My personal favorite part of BarTY is all the social action which takes place at all our events. BarTY makes it easy to help others and to have fun while doing so. The most popular event BarTY hosts is Midnight Run, where we distribute clothes and food to homeless individuals in New York City on a cold night during winter. An example of social action at a BarTY event can be as simple as bringing two cans to an event (for a discount) and thus, one is helping to donate to a homeless shelter.

Simply stated on the Barnert Temple website, "BarTY, which stands for Barnert Temple Youth, is the High School voice of the Barnert Temple community and is a part of NFTY (North American Federation of Temple Youth, www.nfty.org, the national Jewish Reform teen movement)."

All in all, BarTY is an amazing community and opens doors for all who join. If you join, maybe you'll feel more connected to your spiritual identity, or maybe you'll decide to go to *Shabbat* services more often, or maybe just maybe you will make a new best friend! I don't know, but what I do know is that being a member of BarTY, Barnert Temple Youth Group, is the best part of being a Jewish teen!

DO YOU HAVE A CHILD AWAY AT SCHOOL?

Barnert would love to stay connected! Just provide us with your student's name and address, and we will periodically send messages from Rabbi Frishman, Rabbi Steiner and Sara Losch, as well as care packages with holiday greetings and upbeat messages! Please email your child's name and email address, as well as his/her complete mailing address to Rikki Lowy at lowyland@msn.com.

And a few important housekeeping details:

- If your child has been on this list previously, please send his/her address again, as we update this list each year.
- If your child is studying away for a semester, please be sure to tell us which semester he/she will be away.

Also, please indicate what year of study your student is in.

Please get us your child's contact information ASAP so he/she doesn't miss out on any of the holiday greetings and/or packages!!!

MEN'S CLUB AND WOMEN OF BARNERT PRESENT "DE-STRESSING THE COLLEGE PROCESS"

PAMELA KWARTLER

SEPTEMBER 29, AT 7 PM

Today's college landscape is nothing like it was when we applied to colleges! However, we still have the most open education system in the world, and our students will find success by being engaged, motivated, and interested in learning. Families can support their kids best by staying positive and understanding that students' accomplishments matter more than the name of the college on the degree. When you find schools that fit YOUR student, you de-stress the college process. Our own Pamela Kwartler, M.A., is a college counselor and an Adjunct Professor of English/Writing.

Israeli Film Series at Barnert

October 25 at 7 pm in the Library



OFF WHITE LIES

A different type of Israeli film.

The film opens at Ben Gurion Airport, with divorced and newly homeless Shaulis picking up his teenage daughter Libi, whose mother has decided she needs to go live with her father. The film then follows the ironic, sad and humorous travels of Shauland Libi. A bit like an Israeli Sideways (no wine country). It was nominated in

2011 for Best Film by the Israel Film Academy.

**Families, children and seniors
in our communities are **HUNGRY**.
You **CAN** make a difference in their lives.**

**Please fill a grocery bag with food
and bring it to Barnert Temple.**

Most-needed items:

- Canned meat, tuna, chicken, etc
- Canned hearty soup
- Canned vegetables
- Macaroni & cheese
- Peanut butter & jelly
- Cereal (low-sugar kids' cereal welcome)
- Dry milk (e.g., boxed Parmalat)
- Canned fruit
- Instant potatoes
- 100% juice
- Baby formula & diapers (sizes 4, 5 & 6)
- Soap
- Dental hygiene products



**Or, send supermarket gift cards to the Barnert Temple office,
and we will forward them to the Center for Food Action,
so they are able to purchase what is not donated.**



***"And whosoever sustains and
saves a single soul,
it is as if that person sustained
a whole world."***

Mishnah Sanhedrin 4:513579



Cultivating a Culture of Social Justice Education, Participation, and Charitable Giving

Photo by Leonard Diamond



Team *Tzedek* presented a symbolic check for \$36,422.92, more than double-*chai*, to Temple leadership at the annual meeting in June. Look for this check, and updates from the charities who are benefitting from the money our community raised during *Mitzvah* Mall 2015, in the Social Action Corner next to Rabbi Steiner's office. Pictured here, bottom row, left to right: Team *Tzedek* Co-Chair Eileen Roman, Rabbi Elyse Frishman, Co-Chairs Ron Lynn and Sue Klein, and Barnert Temple President Kathy Hecht. Top row: Paul Avenius, Director of Lifelong Learning Sara Losch, Jackie Packman, Arthur Nalven, Susan Kuller, Florette Lynn, Felicia Halpert, Steve Kiel and Richard Edelman.

More than a Mitzvah Mall

Rabbi Judah the Prince, a famous 2nd-century CE rabbi and chief redactor and editor of the *Mishnah*, used to say, "When a Jew performs a *mitzvah*, he should not rejoice merely over that commandment alone, for one *mitzvah* brings others after it." And so follows the mission of Team *Tzedek* to pursue social justice together by raising money, awareness, and volunteer support for issues that affect people in our community and around the world. While the majority of our efforts culminate in the annual *Mitzvah* Mall event, the work we do aims to foster a culture of thoughtful, purposeful giving and volunteer support year-round.

But where do you start? So many people need support, it can be overwhelming. How do we choose 10 grassroots organizations to participate in our annual *Mitzvah* Mall?

Team *Tzedek* is working with Lifelong Learning to establish criteria, incorporate more education, and involve more community members in each step: submitting potential charities; sorting according to the 10 *mitzvot* being addressed in the Religious School; researching; vetting; and ultimately choosing groups we can partner with now and in the future.

Perpetual Growth and Learning

Rabbi Judah the Prince also taught that no one is too great to learn from someone younger or more humble than himself. Everyone is welcome to participate and contribute in any way they can. Come to one event, submit ideas or feedback, or join the committee as a co-charity chair or *Mitzvah* Mall event volunteer. If you have children in the Religious School, talk to them about the charities they are studying and choosing to support. Team *Tzedek* also needs help with strategy, public relations, communications, social media, fundraising and outreach to continue growing and cultivating a culture of giving.

Be part of the process:

- **Sort on September 27** – Learn with Sara Losch and help sort charity submissions by *mitzvah*, discuss merits, consider options and make choices.
- **Choose on October 11** – Dig deeper and help choose three options for each *mitzvah*: Honoring the Elderly, Holocaust, Children's Health, Welcoming the Stranger, Love of Israel, Redeeming the Captive, Feeding the Hungry, Women's Issues, Compassion to Animals, and Preserving the Earth.
- **Finalize on October 25** – Learn more about the "finalists" at the ***Tzedek* Brunch**, and collaborate with peers to decide on the best fit for each *mitzvah*. Religious School students will be doing the same thing in their classrooms; a true community-wide endeavor.
- **Go to *Mitzvah* Mall 2016, Sunday, January 31, 9 am – Noon!** – Participate in activities. Learn from charity founders, leaders, and benefactors. Find a cause you can continue to support with time, skills and charitable donations. Vie for valuable raffle prizes. Make sure to come hungry and eat lots of pancakes, scrambled eggs and sausage!

To join Team *Tzedek*, or just take part in any of the components listed above, contact co-chairs Sue Klein at sueklein0319@gmail.com, Ron Lynn at ronlynnhome@op-tonline.net, or Eileen Roman at jdroman@verizon.net.

"Be quick in performing a minor mitzvah as much as a major one; and flee from transgression, for mitzvah goreret mitzvah, aveirah goreret aveirah, one mitzvah leads to another, and one transgression leads to another."

—Pirkei Avot 4:2

By Sue Klein, Co-Chair

PATERSON HABITAT FOR HUMANITY CELEBRATING 30TH ANNIVERSARY



Barnert Temple has long been a supporter of Paterson Habitat for Humanity, which is building homes and improving neighborhoods that are close to the roots of our Temple. Currently, Paterson Habitat is focusing on the fourth ward of Paterson, the former home of Barnert Temple. For more than 60 years, from the late 1890s to the early 1960s, Barnert's home was at Straight Street and Broadway, a few blocks from where six new homes are in various stages of construction. Paterson Habitat has served over 300 families by providing affordable housing.

This year Paterson Habitat for Humanity is celebrating its 30th anniversary in the "Silk City" by hosting a fundraising gala on Thursday, September 24, 2015. The celebration will take place at the Conference Center "penthouse," on the campus of Montclair State University, showcasing beautiful views of the City of Paterson.

The night will feature classic New Jersey rock 'n' roll; cuisine from around the world; and an auction, complete with special experiences both near and far. The **Tastes of Pater-**

son include food representing the city's diverse ethnic backgrounds and cultures. **Who Loves You**, a musical group that showcases the songbook of New Jersey's legendary Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons, delivers the **Sounds of New Jersey**.

Join with special guests, including **Jonathan Reckford**, CEO, Habitat for Humanity Int'l., and **Steve Doocy**, Auctioneer & Humorist, for a night filled with entertainment and fun, all while showing your support for Paterson Habitat for Humanity.

For more information, or to purchase a ticket, please contact Kerri Schaefer, Kerri@patersonhabitat.org, or visit: <https://ph30thanniv.splashthat.com/>. Click on the RSVP button to get pricing for tickets, journal ads, and other ways to support Paterson Habitat.

If you are interested in supporting Paterson Habitat by volunteering to work on a home construction site, contact Rich Edelman (edelmanr@optonline.net, 973-427-7647) for more information.

NETWORKING

Upcoming Meetings

The Temple Community Network is a professional networking group targeted at helping the job search and career development needs of the community. It is a joint project of Barnert Temple, Temple *Beth Rishon*, Temple *Beth Or* and *Beth Haverim Shir Shalom*. Everyone is welcome at the group's meetings, including those searching for a job who are transitioning and those already in a position. The meetings are designed to be warm, inclusive and informative. Doors open for networking at 6:30 pm and programming begins at 7 pm.

Mark your calendar for these Networking Group dates:

Monday, September 28

Monday, October 26

Monday, November 23

For more information, please contact me at blevin@galaxy.net or (201) 247-0864.

—Bob Levin

Camp Benefits All Ages

The Rabbi Martin Freedman Camp Scholarship enables us to send children to the URJ Eisner and Crane Lake camps. Over the years, those of our young people who attended the camp programs have had their lives changed, literally. Here are the thoughts of one scholarship recipient, who could not have gone to camp without generous donations to the fund. Please consider making one-time or ongoing donations. Your contributions matter enormously.

“It is Eisner tradition that for your last summer at Eisner as a camper, *Olim*, that everybody keep a journal. When I open my *Olim* journal, now a full year later, I’m filled with this overwhelming sense of relief — it’s almost like being at camp again; it’s like coming home. This notebook is filled with funny anecdotes from *Brei Rah* adventures, rib-night square dancing with the Fireflies, meeting my *Bonim* Buddy, snippets of grass from the Quad, a script from our *Olim* play, a copy of the Daily Bubble, and *Tshuva* notes and letters from all my friends. If you have never been a camper at Eisner you probably will not understand half those phrases, but that’s the beauty of camp; you have to experience

it for yourself. Eisner is my home away from home, the place where I discovered my love for Judaism in our beautiful outdoor sanctuary, where I branched out and learned how to make friends through something as simple as a friendship bracelet, and where I tried homemade pita for the first time — made fresh by our visiting *Mishlach*, planting a love for Israel in me that grew into a semester abroad with NFTY EIE High School in Israel. Now a warning for going to Eisner: camp songs will always be stuck in your head, that tan line from all your bracelets will take months to fade, your phone will never stop buzzing with group chats from your best friends who live scattered along the East Coast, and sometimes you may get strange looks from passersby as you burst into your green team cheer from last summer’s *Maccabiah*. Once you are part of the Eisner community, it becomes one of the most important things in your life, for the rest of your life. I encourage every single person to go; try it just for a summer and you may find yourself eagerly waiting at those gates on Opening Day year after year, ready for the best summer ever!”



EISNER AND CRANE LAKE
UNION FOR REFORM JUDAISM CAMPS



- Strengthen Jewish Identity, Self-esteem and community
- Swim, ski or splash in our lake or pool
- Skilled coaches and certified instructors teaching fantastic sports, arts and activities
- Great campers & counselors who return summer after summer

eisnercranelake.urjcamp.org

Annual Meeting

The Barnert community gathered for its annual congregational breakfast and meeting on Sunday, June 7. The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Hecht. Zach Brookler delivered the opening prayer, and the Junior Choir, led by Rabbi Steiner, sang lovely melodies.

A panel discussion on "Israel and Beyond, the Personal and Global," facilitated by Rabbi Frishman, explored recent trips taken by congregants and what they learned.

Kathy Hecht and Rabbi Frishman began a report on the future of Barnert. Updates on Barnert initiatives included:

- Executive Vice President Roberta Hong updated us on the Strategic Plan Task Forces
- Sara Losch, Director of Lifelong Learning, introduced

- the "Jewish Journey" in the Religious School
- Rabbi Frishman and Julie Good on "Shabbat and Beyond, Our Continuing Ritual Journey"

The business of the congregation followed, including the Nominating Committee report, Treasurer's report, Budget and Dues resolution and Security resolution.

Kathy Hecht presented the President's Award to: Paul Avenius, Debbie Becker, Lauren Frankel, Roberta Hong, Jeff Gerstel and Joan Lipkowitz. Bob Kwartler, Building and Grounds Co-Chair, presented a special award to Arthur Nalven for his many years of service to the Barnert community.

Men's Club

A Variety of Programming!

As we all begin to get ready for the New Year, I wanted to let everyone know that the Men's Club will be offering a variety of programming during the upcoming year.

The first few events will be:

- Sunday, September 20, at 9 am: Men's Club Breakfast, followed by building of the Barnert Temple *Sukkah*
- Sunday, October 11, at 9 am: Men's Club Breakfast
- Thursday, October 22, at 7 pm: Thursday Night Football (Meet & Meat)

Everyone is welcome; we are a friendly bunch! Hope you can join us. Happy and healthy New Year!

—Charlie Troyanovski
ctroyanovski@gmail.com

WE WELCOME THESE NEW FRIENDS!

Sheri and Gregory Cutler, residing in Wayne
Donna and Mark Rosen, residing in Franklin Lakes
Deborah, Matthew, Liam and Adam Sheffield, residing in Wayne
Debra and Peter Till, residing in Wayne

Learn

to Speak Hebrew

ULPAN

Classes begin October 19

Summer Special \$410

\$480 after September 21, 2015

For more information or to register visit

www.jfnnj.org/ulpan

or call Joyce at 201-820-3907.

 Jewish Federation
OF NORTHERN NEW JERSEY

WE HONOR

June – July 2015 Casualty List – Afghanistan

Krissie K. Davis

Pfc. Monterrious T. Daniel

Senior Chief Petty Officer Jason P. May

Total U.S. casualties in Afghanistan to date: 2,363

Women of Barnert

September is for New Beginnings for the Women of Barnert Temple

The Women of Barnert Temple (WoB), a diverse and talented group of women from all walks of life, is excited to welcome the New Year. If you are looking to make friends, make connections, and make a difference in people's lives, WoB is the place to do it. You might remember those two lines from my article last year. I kept them because they express so perfectly what we are about. Every New Year I think about what I can do in my life to improve on the past year. For the Women of Barnert Temple, this is the year to build on what we began last year. We are committed to trying new things and continuing to build on the events and programs of last year. The kickoff event will be our wonderful Meet and Greet breakfast on Sunday, September 20 at 9 am. Join us for schmoozing and reconnecting. Tell us how your summer was and what plans you have for the coming year. We want to hear what's going on with you.

We have a variety of excellent programming in place and are open to planning more.

- Sunday, September 20, 9 am: Meet and Greet
- Tuesday, September 29, 7 pm: Pamela Kwartler, college counselor and writing teacher, talks about the college admission process
- Sunday, October 11, 9 am: New-Member Brunch; Speaker Laura Zinn Fromm, author of *Sweet Survival: Tales of Cooking and Coping*
- Sunday, November 15, 9 am: Holiday Boutique

- Saturday, December 5, 7 pm: WoB/MC Chanukah Party
- Sunday, January 10, 9 am: Program TBD
- Sunday, February 7, 9 am: Program TBD
- Wednesday, March 30, 6:30 pm: Women's Seder
- Sunday, May 15, 9 am: 100th Birthday Brunch
- Friday, 8 pm: WoB Shabbat, Date TBD

We are also planning a motivational speaker and a group art lesson at Pinot's Palette! We will continue to partner with Social Action's Team *Tzedek*. Last year's collaboration at the *Mitzvah* Mall was a great success. The Women of Barnert welcomes the opportunity to get involved and give back!

I hope you find something on our program list that interests you and brings you in. My goal when I write these letters is to let you know what's happening and also to communicate our message: we welcome new members and new ideas. We want to serve our community and also to socialize and have fun with all the women of our temple. If you are interested in joining, participating, or even just asking questions and giving feedback, don't hesitate to contact me.

—Rebeca Gordy, Women of Barnert President

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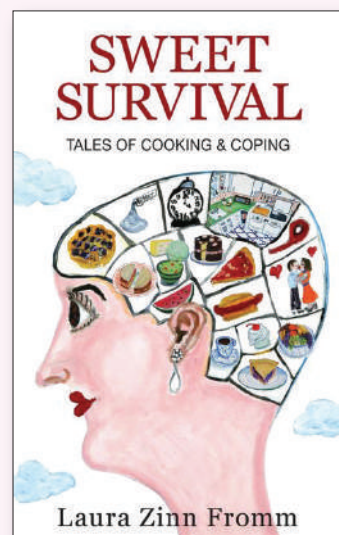
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Women of Barnert presents
Laura Zinn Fromm, author of
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Sunday, October 11
New-Member Brunch
9 – 11 am

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<p>* Rabbi Frishman's Class ♦ Rabbi Steiner's Class § Rabbi Soffin's Class ^ Sara Losch's Class</p>	<p>Torah: Purple Avodah: Blue Gemilut Chasidim: Green</p>	<p>1 6 – 7:30 pm High Holiday Ticket Pick Up 7:30 pm Ritual</p>	<p>2 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 7 pm Shabbat Service and Podluck Supper</p>	<p>5 Ki Tavo Deut. 26:1–29:8 7:30 pm The Deep Breath: Stories, Music, Reflection, Refreshments SELICHOT</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>7 LABOR DAY Office Closed 10 am Junior Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>8 Preschool Staff Setup 1st Tuesday Religious School (No 7th Grade) 4:30 – 6 pm High Holiday Ticket Pick Up 8 pm Executive Committee</p>	<p>9 9 am 1st Day Kindergarten 9:15 am Preschool Orientation Religious School Staff Orientation 1st Wednesday Religious School 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>10 9 am 1st Day Preschool</p>	<p>11 8 pm Shabbat Service</p>	<p>12 Nitzavim Deut. 29:9–30:20 Celebrate Shabbat with us! 10 am Andrew Pleeter B/M</p>
<p>13</p> <p>8 pm Evening Service EREV ROSH HASHANAH</p>	<p>14 ROSH HASHANAH No Preschool Office Closed 9:15 pm Torah Tots & Kavanah Kids 9:30 am Morning Svce & Jr. Cong 12:30 pm Community Kiddush Picnic 1:30 pm Outdoor Young Fam. Holiday Exp. 3 pm Tashlich Ceremony (Graydon Pool, Ridgewood)</p>	<p>15 2nd Day ROSH HASHANAH No Preschool No Religious School Office Closed 10 am Service and Torah Study, Informal</p>	<p>16 No Religious School</p>	<p>17 11:15 am 1st Day Olam Baby Class</p>	<p>18 9 am 1st Day Shabbat Tot</p>	<p>19 Vayelech Deut. 31:1–31:30 Shabbat Shuvah</p>
<p>20</p> <p>1st Sunday Religious School/ Junior Choir 9 – 11 am High Holiday Ticket Pick Up 9 am Women of Barnert Meet & Greet 11 am Men's Club Build Sukkah 11 am Adult Confirmation</p>	<p>21 8 pm Board of Trustees</p>	<p>22 12:30 pm Preschool Dismissal No Religious School 12:30 pm Office Closes</p> <p>Men's Shelter</p>	<p>23 YOM KIPPUR No Preschool No Religious School Office Closed 9 am Young Family Yom Kippur Service 10:45 pm Torah Tots & Kavanah Kids 11 am Morning Service and Jr. Congregation 2 pm Adult and Teen Study Sessions 3:15 pm Aft. Svce. of Renewal 4:45 pm Yizkor Service 5:30 pm Neilah, Closing Svce., Break Fast</p>	<p>24 1st Thursday Religious School</p>	<p>25 8 pm Shabbat Service</p>	<p>26 Ha'azinu Deut. 32:1–52 Celebrate Shabbat with us! 10 am Robert Farber B/M Yoga</p>
<p>27</p> <p>Religious School 9 am Kabbalah 11 am Team Tzedek</p> <p>5:30 pm Sukkot BBQ and Garden Harvest Celebration EREV SUKKOT</p>	<p>28 SUKKOT Bring your lunch or dinner to eat in the sukkah. No Preschool Office Closed 11 am Young Family Sukkot-in-the-Orchard & Apple Picking (off-site) 6:30 pm Networking Eisner Camp Information/ Discussion Sukkah Event</p>	<p>29 SUKKOT Bring your lunch or dinner to eat in the sukkah. 11:15 am Jewish Values for Parents♦ Religious School 1st 8th Grade Ma'ayan 1st 9th Grade Ma'ayan 1st Confirmation 7 pm Women of Barnert/ Men's Club Speaker Pam Kwardler</p>	<p>30 SUKKOT Bring your lunch or dinner to eat in the sukkah. Religious School</p> <p>7 pm Preschool Back To School Night 7:30 pm Adult Confirmation</p>			

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4 Bring your lunch or dinner to eat in the sukkah. Religious School/Junior Choir 7 pm Simchat Torah Celebration Consecration of New Religious School Students, Honoring the Generations EREV SIMCHAT TORAH	5 SIMCHAT TORAH No Preschool Office Closed 7:30 am Yizkor Service 10 am Simchat Torah Story Telling For Young Children	6 11:15 am Jewish Values for Parents♦ Religious School 8 th Grade Ma'ayan 9 th Grade Ma'ayan Confirmation	7 Religious School Preschool Back-To-School Night	8 Religious School	9 *6:07 pm	10 Bereshit Gen. 1:1-6:8 Celebrate Shabbat with us! 10 am Zachary Strauss B/M
11 Religious School/Junior Choir 9 am Men's Club Breakfast 9 am Women of Barnert New Member Brunch: Laura Zinn Fromm 11 am Team Tzedek Family Promise	12 COLUMBUS DAY 11:15 am Jewish Values for Parents♦ Religious School No 8 th Grade Ma'ayan No 9 th Grade Ma'ayan Confirmation Post Confirmation ?Executive Committee?	13 11:15 am Jewish Values for Parents♦ Religious School No 8 th Grade Ma'ayan No 9 th Grade Ma'ayan Confirmation	14 Religious School 7:30 pm Intro to Judaism (off-site)	15 Religious School 7:30 pm Talmud Study§	16 *5:56 pm 5 pm Tot Shabbat and Pizza Dinner 8 pm Shabbat Service	17 Noach Celebrate Shabbat with us! Gen. 6:9-11:32 9:30 am Rosh Chodesh 10 am Jared Packman B/M
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25 Religious School/Junior Choir 9 am Team Tzedek Brunch 7 pm Israeli Film Series: Off White Lies	26 6:30 pm Networking	27 11:15 am Jewish Values for Parents♦ Religious School 8 th Grade Ma'ayan 9 th Grade Ma'ayan Confirmation Men's Shelter	28 Religious School 7:30 pm Intro to Judaism (off-site)	29 Religious School 7:30 pm Talmud Study§	30 *5:37 pm 8 pm Shabbat Service	31 Vayera Celebrate Shabbat with us! Gen. 18:1-22:24 10 am Tiffany Becker B/M Yoga

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Mark Your Calendars

Saturday, September 5
Selichot 7:30 pm

Monday, September 7

LABOR DAY

Office Closed

Tuesday, September 8

First Tuesday Religious School

Wednesday, September 9

First Day Preschool 9 am

Sunday, September 13

EREV ROSH HASHANAH

Evening Service 8 pm

Monday, September 14

ROSH HASHANAH – First Day

No Preschool

Office Closed

Torah Tots and Kavanah Kids 9:15 am

Morning Service and

Junior Congregation 9:30 am

Community Kiddush Picnic 12:30 pm

Outdoor Young Family

Holiday Experience 1:30 pm

Tashlich Ceremony 3 pm

Tuesday, September 15

ROSH HASHANAH – Second Day

No Preschool

No Religious School

Office Closed

Service and Torah Study, Informal 10 am

Wednesday, September 16

First Wednesday Religious School

Sunday, September 20

First Sunday Religious School 9 am

Tuesday, September 22

Preschool Dismissal 12:30 pm

Office Closes 12:30 pm

No Religious School

KOL NIDRE 7:45 pm

Wednesday, September 23

YOM KIPPUR

No Preschool

No Religious School

Office Closed

Young Family Yom Kippur Service 9 am

Torah Tots and Kavanah Kids 10:45 am

Morning Service and

Junior Congregation 11 am

Adult and Teen Study Sessions 2 pm

Afternoon Service of Renewal 3:15 pm

Yizkor Service 4:45 pm

Neilah, Closing Service,

Break-Fast 5:30 pm

Sunday, September 27

EREV SUKKOT

Sukkot BBQ and

Garden Harvest Celebration 5:30 pm

Monday, September 28

SUKKOT

No Preschool

Office Closed

Young Family Sukkot-in-the-Orchard &

Apple Picking

Friday, October 2

Sukkot-in-Shabbat Dinner Celebration

“Around The Tables” Potluck Supper

7 pm

Saturday, October 3

Young Family Shabbat 10 am

Adult Confirmation 7 pm

Sunday, October 4

EREV SIMCHAT TORAH

Simchat Torah Celebration

Consecration of New Religious School

Students

Honoring the Generations 7 pm

Monday, October 5

SIMCHAT TORAH

No Preschool

Office Closed

Yizkor 7:30 am

Simchat Torah Story Telling

For Young Children 10 am