

BETH JACOB ATLANTA

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Celebrating 50 Years

Jacob's Voice

50 Jubilee Year

Beth Jacob is celebrating its 50th Anniversary in our current location on Lavista Road. On 12/12/12, the fifth night of Chanukah, we are holding a gala event to kick-off a year of Jubilee festivities. The night will begin with an elegant reception in Heritage Hall worthy of Chanukah and the special occasion. The event will move into the Main Sanctuary, where we will gather as a community exactly 50 years to the day the Beth Jacob community gathered for the first time to dedicate its new Sanctuary and dream about its future. Taking the theme of Chanukah and its distinction as a holiday of thanksgiving and praise, our rabbis and the Atlanta Jewish Male Choir will lead us in a verbal and musical appreciation of our past and in prayers for our future. The evening will include a video tribute celebrating 50 years of Beth Jacob on Lavista and a presentation of the initial plans for the renovation of the Sanctuary.

Other upcoming Jubilee events this year include:

- Jubilee themed Purim Festival and Parade - Sunday, February 17, 2013
- Jubilee Collector's Edition and Honorary Journal - dedicated in honor of our rabbis, this "must have" collectable will spotlight one of Beth Jacob's greatest assets of the last 50 years--its renowned warmth and openness as expressed in Shabbos hospitality. The book will contain stories and experiences of hospitality that changed lives, and will feature the recipes and hosting tips that make our Southern Shabbos hospitality unique.
- Jubilee Torah & Dedication - A Torah scroll representing the families of Congregation Beth Jacob of 2012 will be dedicated as a gift of eternity from our generation to future generations.
- Sanctuary Renovation - The Building Committee will unveil the initial renderings of a renovated sanctuary. Once the plans are approved by the Board and membership, groundbreaking and completion will follow.
- Jubilee Gala Dinner - Our Jubilee year will conclude with a Gala Dinner in coordination with progress of Sanctuary renovation.

Whether you have been a member since 1962, 2002 or 2012 we hope you will join us to celebrate our past, present and future. This evening is about you and the unique community that Beth Jacob represents. 12/12/12 promises to be an evening worthy of our history and of our future.

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50 The Good Ol' Days

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"Do not say 'how was it that the earlier days were better than these', for that is not a question prompted by wisdom." (Ecclesiastes/Koheles 7:10)

nos•tal•gia noun \nä-'stal-jə, nə- also nō-, nō-; nə-'stäl-\ : a wistful or excessively sentimental yearning for return to a past period or irrecoverable condition

Our shul is about to embark on a celebration of the 50th anniversary of the dedication of our shul on Lavista Road. I recall that night in December of 1962. I was in the choir which sang during the ceremony, and I remember, through the eyes of an eight year old, the pride we had in having a Jewish Senator, Abraham Ribikoff of Connecticut, participate in the proceedings.

Many of our long term members will recall many things about the past 50 years at Beth Jacob. Of our senior members, many may not have been present when the shul was built, but they were nevertheless builders of the shul that we have come to know. They will recall many important developments in the growth of our community around the shul, and the 50th anniversary celebration will provide ample opportunity to enjoy the memories of people and events that made our community what it is today.

However, a large majority of you, our dear and precious membership, have joined our shul in the past 25 years or less (fully 7% of our membership joined our community in the last year and a half!). They have no memories of BJ of the 60's or 70's or 80's, or even the 90's. Most were not even born then. Is this Jubilee celebration simply something that younger, newer members politely tolerate, respectfully allowing others to enjoy their pleasurable orgy of nostalgia?

While there certainly is value in sharing common memories, in drawing pride from what was accomplished, and a kind of camaraderie is created through reminiscing about days gone by, that is not sufficient enough to call an entire community to celebration. Some might even say that we should be celebrating that things have changed!

In the passage in *Koheles* quoted above, King Solomon gives us a perspective about the "good ole' days". He implies that anyone who suggests they were better than today is not speaking out of wisdom.

Why is that? Isn't it possible that earlier times were actually better than today?

I found the following interpretation in *Aleh Shur*, a book authored by Rav Shlomo Wolbe, ZT"L, a leading teacher and thinker until his passing 15 years ago:

"Man's location in time and place relate to his very essence... every creature has its unique place reflecting its source of nurture or purpose for which it was created; only man has his unique time.... **Wisdom is the recognition that the time into which a person is born is part of his very being** ... Every period has its strengths and weaknesses. Our mission is to meet the challenges of our period of time; we will always be children of our time, not of a previous period. Wisdom is to realize that completion and fulfillment will come exclusively through our era... G-d provides each generation with the ability to reach its perfection."

So nostalgia is inconsistent with wisdom, says the passage. Those who intoxicate themselves by inhaling the vapors of nostalgia do so at risk of avoiding their current mission in life.

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Can there, then, be a constructive reason to look back?

Certainly! While longing for days gone by is a form of escapism, we are given memory for a reason. Our past is meant to be used. We can learn from it; we can see the hand of G-d in it; we can gain strength for our future challenges from it.

The theme of our celebration on the fifth night of Chanukah, December 12, taken from Chanukah itself, is *Hallel v'Hoda'ah*, Praise and Thanksgiving. Chanukah demonstrates that appreciating G-d's miracles of the past gives us the vision to see His hand guiding us to a miraculous future. The Jubilee celebration is an invitation for action, framing the miracles of Beth Jacob's history and the heroism of its builders, inviting us to join hands with G-d, meet the unique challenges of our time, and bring nothing less than the miraculous to our lives and those of future generations.

Miriam and I look forward to greeting you personally on 12/12/12.



50 A Jew-bi-lee Message from Your President

David Mitchell, Board of Trustees, President

The fifth night of Chanukah this year is also the Jubilee for our (spatially) sacred sanctuary. Although this special jubilee issue is filled with information about this very special event, here's another reminder to be at Beth Jacob on December 12th.

As we all know, one night's oil lasted for eight, and we commemorate the miracle by lighting one candle the first night, two the second, etc. Rabbi Dovid Gottlieb (my rebbe at Ohr Somayach) explains that this increasing sequence follows the view of Beis Hillel, and offers an explanation from Moadim Behalacha. "The miracle changed the nature of the oil—it became 'miracle oil.' Our number of candles corresponds to the miraculous change in the inner potency of the oil. Beis Hillel [says] that the inner change is meaningful only if it has a visible effect on the world." Although eight nights' worth of miracle oil was already latent on the first night, "each night's burning brought a greater light to the world." Thus, the number of our candles expresses the visible effect of the oil. R' Gottlieb concludes with a lesson: "As we progress in our own spiritual growth, we must help others as well. Our spiritual progress must benefit the others around us." Certainly, this "sharing of our spiritual wealth" is a long BJ tradition.



We all have enormous potential, and with HaShem's blessings, we can transform potential into actuality. On 12 December 1962, the Beth Jacob founders created a visible effect of our shul with a brand new sanctuary. The date numbers of our Jubilee anniversary—12/12/12—also add up to the total number of candles that we light during Chanukah—36! May we merit to initiate the rededication of our sanctuary ("Chanukas HaBayis") on its "yovel" (jubilee).

Debbie joins me in wishing you a freilechen Chanukah and a joyous jubilee!

PEACE OF MIND

"Peace of Mind" is a unique intervention developed by

The Israel Center for the Treatment of Psychotrauma at Herzog Hospital to strengthen these units, mitigate the impact of their experiences, and teach the tools necessary for a successful transition to civilian life. A major component of the 3 month program is a week spent abroad where the soldiers participate both in intense group sessions as well as in some leisurely activities in the host city. It is our distinct privilege at Beth Jacob to have the opportunity to host such a program. Our role as a community is to host 20-25 soldiers and staff (including meals), provide space in the shul for meetings, and possibly run joint activities with the soldiers. If you would like to serve on the planning committee, host (soldiers are paired in twos), or have connections to provide free access to some of Atlanta's famous attractions, please contact Matt Lewis at mattylew613@gmail.com.



50 The Journeys of David the Lawyer

Rabbi Yechezkel Freundlich, Associate Rabbi

Episode 8: The Gala Celebration

"Hey, want to come to the game with me tonight – I got great seats!"

David could hardly contain his excitement as he flashed the two front row tickets to his friend Sam, who worked down the hall in the litigation department.

"David?" Sam asked in a clearly rhetorical tone, "Isn't tonight the Firm's Gala 50th Anniversary celebration? Didn't you receive the invitation and all those daily email reminders?"

"Well, yeah. Of course I know that's tonight," David said.

He had no intention of actually going, though. In fact, he was more than a little surprised that Sam was clearly planning on attending himself. The two of them had shared many laughs together during their first months at the Firm, and many times the object of their humor was the generation gap at the Firm. The 'old timer's' had a predictably archaic way of doing things, and it always seemed to be 'just because that's how we always did them'.

"But what does the 50th Anniversary have to do with me?" David asked. "I wasn't working here 50 years ago, you know." He chuckled to himself. "I mean, my parents weren't even born 50 years ago!"

"That's fine," Sam said, "but this is a big milestone for the Firm. It's an important occasion, and I think you should be there to celebrate."

David couldn't understand why Sam was trying to make him feel guilty about not going. "Why should I go?" he asked dismissively. "To listen to a bunch of old people recollect what it was like in the good ole' days? Or to look at pictures of people I don't recognize. I just don't see the point."

"David," Sam said calmly, "those are not just random old faces in black and white photographs. They're the people who made it possible for you to be standing here today."

"That may be true," David pleaded, "but all of that happened in the past. It's not relevant anymore. If the previous generation wants to celebrate what was – let them! But there's no need for me to be there!"

Sam didn't buy it. "You are a part of this Firm now. You share its history. You have a responsibility to celebrate with all of us and to appreciate, recognize and give thanks to those who came before you."

David didn't like where this was going. "Listen," he said, this time with a sense of righteous indignation. "You and I were both specifically hired as 'new blood'. The Firm wanted to bring in some young faces fresh out of law school without the hang-ups of the longtime employees or stuck in the ways of what always has been done. Our job is to infuse the Firm with new life, with a new mentality. We need to be looking toward the future, not dwelling in the past!"

"We are!" Sam said with excitement. "This entire evening is actually all about the future! And that's exactly why you need to be there!"

"The future?" David asked incredulously. "Celebrating 50 years of history is about the future? I don't understand."

"Look," Sam explained, "institutions like our Firm are built on foundations. They stand for something. Our original Partners wanted us to represent a specific set of values and goals that should be consistently exemplified in everything we do. Yet at the same time, we also need to be constantly adapting to the changing world around us. The trick is for each succeeding generation to understand well what the original mission, values and goals of the Firm were, so that it can chart out an appropriate course for our future."

"You, David, are our future. That's why it's so critical that you come celebrate with us. Firstly, because you are part of this Firm and we all should celebrate collectively and give proper thanks and recognition to those who came before us. But more than that, you need to be there for yourself – and for us – so that you understand well where we came from so you can successfully chart out the plan of where we hope to go!"

"Got it!" David said. "I never looked at it that way. I do see myself as the future, yet I never fully understood the history of this place...But did I mention that they were front row seats?"

"Give it up my friend," Sam laughed. "We've got much bigger plans in store!"

In truth, besides the above dialogue, there is yet another significant aspect to Beth Jacob's celebration on December 12th: Hallel and Hoda'ah – Thanks and Praise to Hashem for the achievements Beth Jacob has accomplished over the years. Rifki and I look forward to joining with all of you as we celebrate our Jubilee year on Lavista Road with song, thanks and praise! See you there!



50 A Goal for Our Centennial

Harvey Steele, Executive Director

Chanukah, as we know, commemorates the rededication of the Temple after the Maccabees revolted against the Hellenists, who had taken it for idol worship. The Jews won a battle that was both spiritual and physical. How appropriate that we are preparing to rededicate Beth Jacob for the next 50 years, both in terms of the continued spiritual growth of our community and the strengthening of our shul financially and physically.

Many people are attracted to Beth Jacob because of the wide variety of Jews under one roof based upon just about any category you can name: age, level of observance, level of Torah knowledge, perspective. This diverse population chooses to serve Hashem together despite the different approaches of the individual members.

Yes, there are different groups within the shul. Some like to daven early on Shabbos morning followed by a small Kiddush, a halacha shiur, and learning in the Kollel Beis Medrash. Others prefer to hear a Chumash shiur followed by davening in the main sanctuary and Kiddush in Heritage Hall. There are those who choose to daven a bit later in a more intimate setting. And some want to daven with the teens. But we can see members from each of these groups at the same Shabbos or Yom Tov table, Scholar in Residence event, or shul-wide program. Our members' ability to balance their individual interests with their role in the kehilla is part of what makes Beth Jacob a special shul that attracts new members from a wide range of backgrounds.

In this Jubilee year, a time when we plan for the future, it is possible to lose sight of what makes us the beautiful kehilla we are today. We need to position ourselves for continued growth as a Torah community while retaining what has made us unique since 1962.

Make a concerted effort to preserve Beth Jacob's identity as a place where all kinds of Jews serve Hashem in harmony. Invite people who are new to Judaism to your Shabbos table. Daven at a different Shabbos morning minyan once a month. Share your Jewish knowledge with someone who can benefit or ask to learn once a week with someone who can help you grow. Meet other Jews and support the shul by joining a Jubilee committee or helping Sisterhood with event planning and operations. Offer to be a buddy to a new member, helping him or her to become acclimated to the shul and the neighborhood.

Help ensure that in its centennial year Beth Jacob will continue to celebrate an eclectic mix of individuality and community.



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50 Beth Jacob Legacy Fund

Andy Lewis, Director, Beth Jacob Legacy Fund

When Sydney and I joined the Atlanta community 16 years ago, we had 4 small children. We wanted a shul where would we could all feel comfortable and also challenged us to grow further. We found that in Beth Jacob both in its leadership and friendship of its members.

Beth Jacob members are from all over the world and are so inviting and helpful. They are there like members of an extended family who make simchas more joyous and who made difficult times easier. The community is always there to assist you with whatever you need, large or small!

Beth Jacob was here before the Kollel and the Day Schools. The foundation that it formed is what sustains the entire Jewish community in Atlanta. It continues to grow in numbers and in strength.

Our goal is to make Aliya to Jerusalem, please G-d in the near future. Even in this, Beth Jacob helps us with a directory of all of its members who have made Aliya before us and are there to connect us to the land! We feel that it is a G-d given privilege to leave money to this great institution that has helped so many people in many different ways. The Beth Jacob Legacy Fund makes it that much simpler and easier to do!

50 Upcoming Classes & Programs

Fighting Beauty with Beauty

Rabbi Yechezkel Freundlich



Pre-Chanukah, Tuesday, December 11th, 7:45 pm / Conference Room / For Men & Women

Judaism is generally much more concerned with internal beauty than with external looks. So why is Chanukah different from all other Holidays? From the menorah, to the oil, to the number of people in each house who should light, beauty seems to play a central role in every aspect of this otherwise spiritual Holiday. This class will explore the convergence of the spiritual and physical beauty inherent in Chanukah.

Parenting Can Be A Pleasure!

Rabbi Yechezkel Freundlich

Session 1 (ages 2-8): Wednesdays January 9th, 16th, 23rd

Session 2 (3rd - 8th grade): Wednesdays February 6th, 13th, 20th

\$25 a couple



Do you sometimes find yourself frustrated with and exhausted from your most precious treasures? This 2-part workshop will highlight some of the most effective parenting tools and strategies to create a warm, loving environment while knowing how to handle the toughest situations. Based on the writings of Rabbi Dr. Abraham Twerski, Dr. David Pelcovitz, Love and Logic, and Faber and Mazlish (authors of *How to Talk So Kids Will Listen...*), topics will include: Praise and Criticism, Setting Limits, Engaging Cooperation, Discipline (without screaming), Sibling Rivalry, and Teaching Values and Responsibility. While the principles are the same, there will be two workshops, one focused on younger children (bed and bath time, cooperation getting dressed...etc), and another focused on older children (responsibility, homework, relationships etc.). Space is limited: Contact Rabbi Y to RSVP.



Step Up For Israel is an initiative of JersualemOnlineU.com, an organization committed to teaching and inspiring people of all ages about Judaism and Israel. Beth Jacob, with appreciation for a grant from the Marcus Foundation, is excited to screen four short Step Up For Israel films critical to understanding the issues facing the Modern State of Israel and the role she plays in the world today.

Israel in the Media and **The Intifada Comes to Campus** will be shown **Motzei Shabbos, January 19, 2013**

The Intifada Comes to Campus

Is anti-Israel rhetoric a form of anti-Semitism? This frightening film (29 min.) examines how the Intifada has actively targeted college campuses and is winning the battle for the minds and sympathies of the next generation.

Israel in the Media

This disturbing film (26 min.) chronicles how the global media perceives and relates to both Israel and the Palestinians, evaluates some of the biases the media perpetuates and analyzes the role that the media plays in shaping negative myths about Israel.

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SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE: CHARLIE HARARY, ESQ.



Shabbos, February 2, 2013

Charlie Harary, Esq. is a prolific inspirational speaker who has traveled all over the country and abroad speaking to organizations, day schools and universities. He is a Senior Lecturer for the OU, Aish HaTorah and NCSY, and has created dozens of entertaining yet informative videos that have received worldwide attention. Professionally, he has served as First Vice President of Residential Operations and Legal Counsel of RXR Realty, a multi-billion dollar Real Estate Company based in New York, and is currently the CEO of H3 Capital LLC, a private equity company based in New York. In the Jewish community, Charlie is a member of the Executive Board of the OU, the Founding Chairman of the its Young Leadership Cabinet, and the founder and president of Milvado Inc., an organization that develops innovative methods to teach spirituality in relevant and modern ways.

Sponsored in memory of the parents of Dr. Allen and Sheila Bleich and in memory of Dr. Jack Bleich.

50 FLASH BACK: 1969 Beth Jacob Bulletin!

מה טוב אהליך ועקב
"How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob..."

Beth Jacob NEWS

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Chanukah

Chanukah begins on Thursday night, December 4th at sunset and continues for 8 days until sunset of December 12th. On Friday night, December 5th, light Chanukah candles first, then Shabbos candles. On Saturday night, do not kindle the Menorah before 6:15 P.M.

The Chanukah Menorah has nine lights. Eight represent the eight days of the oil-miracle and the ninth (usually the center one), called Shamas, serves to kindle the others. The Chanukah lights should be kindled as soon as possible after nightfall at the window, in order to proclaim the Chanukah miracle publicly.

Light the Shamas first. While holding it in your hand, chant or recite the blessings: three blessings on the first night, and two on the other seven nights. (Blessings will be found on the inside pages.) After the blessings have been pronounced, kindle the Chanukah lights by using the Shamas, and recite the *Haneros Halalu* hymn, found in your Siddur.

On the first night place one light at the extreme right of the Menorah. On each succeeding night add one light, adding to the left of the first. Kindle on the left first; that is, kindle the *newly added* light first.

SET UP — FROM RIGHT TO LEFT.
KINDLE — FROM LEFT TO RIGHT.

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THEN AND NOW

CHANUKAH

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BETH JACOB GIFT SHOP

Our Gift Shop has a large selection of gifts for Chanukah, all occasions and ages. Do your shopping in pleasant and uncrowded surroundings. The shop is open Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday mornings from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon, or call our Gift Shop chairman, Mrs. Harriet Karesh at 636-2754 for a special appointment.

IS THERE A COLLEGE STUDENT IN YOUR FAMILY?

We are planning our annual special get-together for college students during the winter vacation, in the form of a brunch, social hour and discussion for our Beth Jacob College Students and their friends. The discussion will be led by Rabbi Feldman.

We would like personally to invite your sons and daughters to this event. Please phone in to our office, 634-2441, the addresses of any college students in your family. We want to make certain that your student is on our list.

BETH JACOB SISTERHOOD ANNUAL CHANUKAH BAZAAR

Sisterhood's annual Chanukah Bazaar will take place on Sunday, December 7th, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 P.M. Delicious food will be served, a Color T.V. will be raffled off, many unusual items will be for sale, games and fun for the children. Come and bring your friends.

BAR MITZVAH OF RANDALL MARTIN JAFFE

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Jaffe invite the congregation to attend the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Randall Martin, on Shabbos, December 6th, at 8:30 A.M.

The Congregation congratulates the parents and family and extends to them best wishes on this joyous event.

MAZEL TOV to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Beck on the engagement of their son, Daryl, to Miss Susan Kersh.

HEBREW SCHOOL WINTER HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Hebrew Schol classes will be held Sunday morning, Dec. 21st at regular hours. In addition special morning sessions will be held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, Dec. 22, 23, and 24. Grades 1-A to three will meet from 9:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Grades four to six will meet from 11:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. Part of the program will consist of the "Hebrew Reading Football Tournament"; film strips and films will be shown. Emphasis will be placed on Jewish Current Events and Israel.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, DEC. 21st. THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL ON DEC. 28th. CLASSES WILL RESUME JANUARY 4th.

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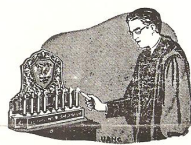
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Night, Dec. 5 5:20 P.M.
Shabbos Mornings 8:30 A.M.
Shabbos Mincha, Dec. 6 5:00 P.M.
Sunday Mornings 8:00 A.M.
Daily Minyan beg. Dec. 7 5:20 P.M.
Light Candles Friday, Dec. 5
at 5:11 P.M.



**BLESSING OF THE
CHANUKAH LIGHTS**

1. Bo-ruch at-tah A-do-noy, elo-hey-nu me-lech ha-o-lam, a-sheer kid-sha-nu b'mitz-vo-sav v'tsi-vah-nu l'had'lik ner shel Cha-nu-kah.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, our G-d, King of the Universe, who has sanctified us by Thy commandments, and commanded us to kindle the light of Chanukah.

2. Bo-ruch at-tah A-do-noy, elo-hey-nu me-lech ha-o-lam, she-as-sah ni-sim la-a-vo-se-nu, ba-yo-mim ha-hey-m, ba-z'man ha-zeh.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, our G-d, King of the Universe, who wroughtest miracles for our fathers in days of old, at this season.

3. Bo-ruch at-tah A-do-noy elo-hey-nu me-lech ha-o-lam, she-he-che-yonu v'ki-ye-mo-nu v'hi-gi-yo-nu la-z'man ha-zeh.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, our G-d, King of the Universe, who hast kept us alive and sustained us and enabled us to reach this season.

A BRIEF GUIDE TO CHANUKAH

1. The Festival of Chanukah begins on the eve of the 25th of Kislev, the day when the Maccabees cleansed and rededicated the Holy Temple, having vanquished Israel's tyrannical oppressors. It is told that they found only one little cruse of pure, undefiled oil, but miraculously it burned in the Temple menorah for 8 days. In commemoration, our Festival lasts 8 days, and every evening we kindle lights of oil or candles in a Chanukah menorah.

2. The menorah's light is holy, and may not be used for any ordinary purposes, e.g., to read by. Therefore an extra oil light or candle, a shamash, is added every evening, so that if the light is inadvertently used, there will also be non-holy light. (It is a custom for women to do no work while the menorah is burning.)

3. The menorah should stand in a special place, where such oil lights or candles are not usually burned. It should be placed in a window facing the street or at the left of a doorway, at about table level, but protected against the wind — to proclaim to all the miracle of Chanukah.

4. The lights are to be kindled directly at nightfall (when the stars appear) with all the family present, and they should burn for at least half an hour. If someone cannot light them at nightfall, he may do so later, as long as the family is awake to watch.

5. The menorah is lit in the synagogue, too, before evening services (Ma'ariv), to heighten our awareness of the miracle of Chanukah. But this excuses no one, not even the person who lights the synagogue menorah, from kindling Chanukah lights at home.

6. Women have the same obligation as men about kindling Chanukah lights. Therefore, if a woman cannot be present when a menorah is lit, she should light one herself.

7. On Friday evening, the Chanukah lights are kindled *before* Shabbos candles. On Saturday night, kindle them *after* Havdalah, when it is fully dark, and stars have appeared.



From The Rabbi

The Americanized Chanukah

It may be hard to believe, but there are still some Jewish families I know who put Christmas trees in their homes for the December holidays. As one man told me, "We live in a Gentile world, and I want my children to know about it and not feel uncomfortable in it. Besides, the holiday is a national and not a religious holiday." Fortunately, this type of naive thinking is rare.

Other Jewish families play variations on this theme. They place under the Menorah all their Chanukah gifts, and after the Menorah is kindled, all the members of the family unwrap their gifts. So they do every night of Chanukah. They are then able to tell their children that being Jewish is "eight times more fun" because "we give gifts for eight nights in a row, and 'they' have only one night. And in an honest desire to counteract Christmas, they decorate their homes with Chanukah tinsel, with gay "Happy Chanukah" streamers (why not "Merry Chanukah?") and they plaster their windows with scenes of ice and snow and colorful electric bulbs and glitter. Here we have Christmas dressed in a Chanukah suit.

What has happened is that some American Jews have taken an important religious festival like Chanukah — which celebrates the defeat by the Jews of an oppressor who tried to assimilate them into the majority Greek culture — and celebrate it by assimilating the very observance of the festival to the majority Christian culture. The Maccabees may have won the battle 3000 years ago; but in the celebration of Chanukah as practiced by Jewish communities of this country, the Maccabees may have lost the war. It is as if we were suddenly to begin celebrating Rosh Hashanah by going to New Year's parties.

The Jewish way to observe Chanukah is outlined elsewhere in this bulletin. You kindle a Menorah of candles or, preferably, oil; you say the prayers of thanks to G-d; you attempt to rededicate your own life to Jewish values and ideals and practices; you resolve to be a modern Maccabee and resist the blandishments of the culture about us which threatens to swallow us up; and you celebrate the festival joyously. Certainly, gift giving is not out of place, and good cheer and fellowship are always in order. But let us be true to the spirit as well as the letter of Chanukah, and let us temper the more obvious alien influences which have crept into this day.

There is no religious requirement, for example, to give a gift for each day of Chanukah. Any parent who does so, does so at the risk to his own pocketbook. Parents who wish to counter the difficulties faced by their children during this month — and as one who attended the public schools I know full well the December difficulties — must begin countering them not in December but all year round. A solid, Jewish, practicing home is the best counter-influence. Parents who are comfortable in their Jewishness and strive always to increase their knowledge are the best counter-influence. A once a year hypodermic of tinsel and gift-wrap is useless. We need year round vitamins. And the way your life is set up at home: Shabbos, Kashruth, the practice of tzedakah, ethics, Torah study: these are the vitamins.

Let us all have a happy Chanukah. Let us celebrate the great spiritual victory of our fathers over the enemies who would destroy Jewish uniqueness. And along the way, let us make certain that we don't do anything to dilute our Jewish uniqueness as we celebrate.

—Rabbi Emanuel Feldman



***Congratulations Intown Soccer Team on
an Undefeated Season this Fall!***

The team included five boys from GHA and six from TDSA. They worked hard all season to go 9-0 and win the championship! More importantly, they worked together, enjoyed each other's company and formed a bond that they will always remember.

50 Auxiliary Groups

CEMETERY GUARDIANS

Burt Wittenberg & Andy Lewis, Co-Chairs

We are happy to announce that all of the work scheduled for 2012 has been completed. The items completed include:

- Lawn area: repaired poor drainage areas
- Washing sink repaired
- Removal of some shrubs

Thank you to all who have participated in our family bench program! We will announce the benches as they are installed. There are still opportunities to sponsor benches in memory of your loved ones. Please contact Burt at bwitt613@bellsouth.net or Andy at rlrsouth@aol.com for more information.

We are looking forward to our projects for 2013. These projects include:

- Continue working on grass area
- Refurbish the front gate plantings
- Work on our leveling of Greenwood sites



BE A PINCH HITTER ON DECEMBER 25TH!

Join us on Tuesday, December 25th as a volunteer! The Pinch Hitter Program, which is organized by B'nai B'rith and chaired by Harry Lutz and Jerry Kravitz, provides volunteers to work in non-medical positions in area hospitals on Christmas Day to give employees the day off to spend with their families. We will work in four-hour shifts at thirteen hospitals and assisted living facilities this year. You can sign up on line at www.pinchhitters.org

Call Harry at 770.392.1175 or Jerry at 770.640.5091 for more information.

SISTERHOOD

The Sisters kicked off a sweet new year with a buzz. The women, led by Queen Bee Barbara Fisher, were very busy bees making beautiful floral arrangements that were sold for the High Holidays. BJ Sisterhood also sponsored the High Holiday babysitting/daycare and generously supported the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund for holiday needs.

We hosted Susie Fishbein in October to much success. We had 43 women enjoying Susie's cooking anecdotes, charming personality, and delicious orange chicken dinner. We look forward to hosting her again in the near future.

November 11 was Silver Tea or better known this year as Koffee and Komeidy. Our event was a light breakfast engagement honoring Barbara Fisher and featuring Ayelet Newman, the Kosher Komediienne from Israel. Barbara was presented with Beth Jacob's Sisterhood Chesed Award. Barbara was selected for her creativity, loyalty, friendship, and unwavering support of this organization. Barbara is a past president and ongoing program coordinator.

Our membership drive started in October and members are asked to renew their membership of \$36. Lifetime memberships are also available for \$250. Please contact Deborah Beck 404- 325-1115 for more information. Your check in the Sisterhood mailbox is your paid membership. At this time, we are not able to separate lifetime members from yearly payers for our mailing. We are so sorry for the inconvenience that this presents, but please know that if you are a Lifter, we have you in our records.

We hope to host a pinterest party in December as well as other fun crafty and cooking events in the upcoming months.

Our Donor Internet-A-Thon will be held in January and we have a beautiful book to give away with your donation.

We welcome new members and would love to have some new members join our board. Please contact Tzippi Teller 404- 551-3386 or Jodi Wittenberg 404- 325-4358.



50 Spotlight on New Members

Steve Levy, Board of Trustees, Membership

Yosef and Hadassah Pankratz moved to Atlanta this past summer from Wilmington, North Carolina. They recognized that they needed a larger community to support their continued growth and provide a proper Jewish education for their children, whom they had been home-schooling. As natives of North Carolina, they chose Atlanta because the southern culture was familiar to them, and the Toco Hills community included many converts and ba'alei teshuva. Their children Yishai and Chana Leah are in the 3rd and 4th grades, respectively, at TDSA, and their daughter Shoshana attends BJ Preschool. Hadassah keeps busy during the day home-schooling her fifth-grade daughter Elisheva and caring for her five-month-old baby Dvir. Yosef is a wood-worker who still works at his shop in Wilmington, and comes back to Atlanta every other Shabbos.

Happy Chanukah from all of us at Beth Jacob Atlanta!

Below are a few safety tips to help you and your family enjoy a happy and safe Chaunkah:



- Remove anything that may catch fire from the areas near the menorahs. (Curtains, blinds, bedding, decorations, and children's projects.)
- Make sure the menorahs are sturdy and level, and will not tip.
- Keep menorah away for the reach of small children.
- Ensure that you have working smoke alarms throughout your house. This is a good time to check the battery.
- Turn frying pan handles away from the edge of the stove and try to use the back burners.
- Keep a fire extinguisher in home, preferable in the kitchen.

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50 Beth Jacob Preschool

Mindy Tanenbaum, Preschool Director

The bustle of the High Holidays are behind us, but we're busier than ever in the preschool! The beginning parshios of the Torah in particular offer a multitude of opportunities for learning that are especially exciting to young children. Parshas Noach inspired investigation of the animal world which included hosting a few animal guests, interviewing pet owners and enjoying a visit from the petting zoo. Our little scientists and engineers also experimented with toys that sink or float and constructed arks out of a variety of materials from popsicle sticks to pvc pipe to tables!



Bike Day

Parshas Lech Lecha really got us 'moving', too! Just as Avraham Avinu was told to "go" we followed his example and learned about transportation from a variety of directions. Our learning was enhanced not only by a visit from Rabbi Asa to show us his moped but also with an opportunity to climb into a pick-up truck. Children had a great time on Bike Day as they zipped and zoomed around the cordoned-off parking lot on bikes brought from home. Exploring the tools we use to stay safe like helmets, seatbelts and stop signs rounded out the unit.

Our ovens were busy the week of Parshas Vayera baking special treats students prepared to bring home for Shabbos guests. Classes were filled with learning about different kinds of homes and many rooms featured the addition of a camping tent to play in! Dramatic play and circle time centered on not only how we can make guests feel welcome but the best ways to treat our friends all the time. The three year old classes warmly welcomed special guest author Mrs. Ruby Grossblatt during her visit to read Who's That Sleeping in My Sofabed?

We love having guests and have been enjoying the recent addition of the Shabbos Ema and Aba program to our weekly Shabbos party! Shabbos party regularly includes lively storytelling from Rabbi Y, an erev Shabbos sing-along and now guest appearances and surprise treats from our wonderful parents. The children were also delighted to spend a morning with their fathers at school during Donuts with Dad in November.

Afterschool programs hosted by the preschool are open for enrollment to 3-5 year olds in the community. Indoor soccer, ballet and gymnastics from Creative Movement and Dance and My Gym are scheduled 3:15-4:00pm, weekly. Contact mtanenbaum@bethjacobatlanta.org for more information.

We had a great turnout to the Positive Discipline Parenting class on November 13th. Thank you to everyone who attended! Our Scholastic Book Fair on November 26th - November 29th was a great success and we are looking forward to our PJ Library event on December 2nd featuring activities

centered around the book Joseph had a Little Overcoat. Donations of gently used coats will be accepted.

In this Jubilee edition our community reflects on all that Beth Jacob has accomplished over the years. We couldn't resist pointing out that Morah Rivkah Estreicher, Morah Davida Graber, and Morah Vicki Kayser have come full circle from once being students at Beth Jacob Preschool to becoming valued Beth Jacob Preschool morahs!

Are you interested in learning more about our school? Contact Mindy Tanenbaum for a tour at mtanenbaum@bethjacobatlanta.org or 678-244-6649.



Fall is here!



Doughnuts with Dads



Transportation

50 Within Beth Jacob

BIRTHS

- **Dovid & Shoshana Cenker** on the birth of their daughter, Iyla Emunah; and to grandparents **Michael & Betsy Cenker**.
- **Rabbi Menachem & Dena Deutsch** on the birth of their grandson, Benzion, born to Michael & Beatie Deutsch in Tucson, AZ.
- **Rabbi Daniel & Bluma Estreicher and Rabbi Israel & Susan Robinson** on the birth of a grandson born to Peretz & Miriam Mintza Robinson of Bridgeport, CT.
- **Rabbi Daniel & Bluma Estreicher** on the birth of a grandson to Baruch & Brachie Goldberger in Israel.
- **Janie Feldman** on the birth of a grandson born to Daniel & Shayna Feldman in Ramat Eshkol, Jerusalem.
- **Joey & Kay Fink** on the birth of their granddaughter Batsheva Esther born to Menacham & Adina Ambers.
- **Steve Gilmer** on the birth of a grandson.
- **Dr. Michael & Rhonda Graiser** on the birth of their granddaughter, Chaya Tzirel, born to Eli & Esther Graiser of Cleveland, OH.
- **Dr. Dan & Chana Grove** on the birth of a son.
- **Rabbi Shalom Yosef & Shira Horowitz** on the birth of a daughter.
- **Bernie Idov** on the birth of a granddaughter, Eliana Shira, born to David & Esther Antopolsky of Augusta, GA.
- **Noach & Kayla Levin** on the birth of their daughter, Zahava Leah, and to grandparents Rich & Chava Levin.
- **Harve & Gail Linder** on the birth of their granddaughter, Joeline Mirae, born to Seth & Beth Linder.

- **Moshe & Diane Manheim** on the birth of a grandson born to David & Avigayil Manheim in Silver Spring, MD.
- **Drs. David & Debbie Mitchell** on the birth of a grandson, Pinchas Dov, to Noach & Esther Muroff in New Haven, CT.
- **Jon & Amy Rolnick** on the birth of their daughter, Hadar Rena, and to grandparents Stuart & Ilona Jeiger.
- **Victor & Nelda Rousso** on the birth of a great-grandson born to Shuie & Elise Steinharter in Baltimore, MD, and to grandparents David and Renee Chernin.
- **Dr. Allen & Shelley Shaw** on the birth of their granddaughter, Mindel Chaya, born to Rabbi Joseph (Yisrael) & Chani Shaw in Har Nof, Jerusalem.
- **Sabina Szlam** on the birth of her great-granddaughter, Addison, born to Drs. Trent & Sarah Rice of Nashville, TN.
- **Mark & Karly Yaschik** on the birth of their daughter, Nechama.

ENGAGEMENTS

- **Ayelet Hillenbrand** on her engagement to Rabbi Dr. David Vinitz of Wuppertal, Germany.
- **Terry & Jan Tenebaum** on the engagement of their daughter Stacy to Adam Blaiss, son of Dr. Michael and Terry Blaiss of Memphis, TN.

CONDOLENCES

- **Herman Beck** on the loss of his wife, Louise.
- **Marlene & Erica Bercovitch** on the loss of their husband and father, Ed Bercovitch.
- **Dr. Jay Cinnamon** on the loss of his father, Theodore Cinnamon.
- **Jean Cohen** on the loss of her husband Sherman.
- **Rhonda Graiser** on the loss of her father, Theodore Hilsenrath.
- **Sheryl Gurvey** on the loss of her father, Stephen Bass.
- **Dr. Rita Hader** on the loss of her husband, Jerry Siegel.
- **Harve Linder** on the loss of his mother, Rose Linder.
- **Dr. Marty Schwartz** on the loss of his mother, Ida Schwartz.
- **Julie Silverman** on the loss of her father, Aron Landau.
- **Dr. Mort Waitzman** on the loss of his sister, Bernice Rose.
- **Cheryl Weinstein** on the loss of her husband, Dr. Louis Weinstein.

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- Dr. Michael & Yael Wolf on the birth of their daughter: Dr. Allen & Rachel Shaw
- Dr. Barry & Jennifer Yaffe on the birth of their granddaughter: Drs. Rafael & Elizabeth Harpaz

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400 teens in 15 greater Atlanta JSU high school clubs competed to build the best sukkah out of gingerbread and colorful candy treats. These hands on activities facilitated Rabbi Chaim Neiditch's Sukkot overview and teen discussions about the significance and fun of Sukkot. Many of the teens also shook the lulav and etrog (the four species). It was a first-ever Sukkot celebration for many. It was a sweet, fun and memorable one for all!

For more information about NCSY contact Rabbi Chaim Neiditch call 404.486.8787, email rcn@ncsy.org, or visit our website www.ncsyatlanta.com.



Boy Scout Troop 613

Torah Day School Scout Troop 613, for boys of all ages, has been very busy hiking, biking, swimming, rock-climbing, camping out, canoeing, barbecuing, building the BJ sukkah, davening, learning, locking-in and publicizing summer scout camp, all under the direction of Avraham Warga. For more information contact Mr. Warga at 404-806-1446.

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Nov 30	Vayishlach	5:11PM	5:10PM	4:55PM	6:03PM	5:15PM
Dec 7	Vayeishev	5:11PM	5:10PM	4:55PM	6:04PM	5:15PM
Dec 14	Mikeitz	5:12PM	5:10PM	4:55PM	6:05PM	5:15PM
Dec 21	Vayigash	5:15PM	5:15PM	5:00PM	6:08PM	5:20PM
Dec 28	Vayechi	5:19PM	5:20PM	5:05PM	6:13PM	5:25PM
Jan 4	Shemos	5:24PM	5:25PM	5:10PM	6:18PM	5:30PM
Jan 11	Va'eria	5:30PM	5:30PM	5:15PM	6:24PM	5:40PM
Jan 18	Bo	5:37PM	5:35PM	5:20PM	6:31PM	5:45PM
Jan 25	Beshalach	5:44PM	5:45PM	5:30PM	6:38PM	5:50PM
Feb 1	Yisro	5:50PM	5:50PM	5:35PM	6:44PM	6:00PM
Feb 8	Mishpatim	5:57PM	5:55PM	5:40PM	6:51PM	6:05PM
Feb 15	Terumah	6:04PM	6:05PM	5:50PM	6:58PM	6:10PM
Feb 22	Tetzaveh	6:10PM	6:10PM	5:55PM	7:04PM	6:15PM