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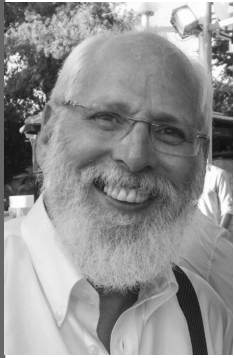


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# A FEW “FINAL” WORDS FROM RAV BARRY



The beginning of the month of June finds us at the beginning of Sefer BaMidbar, the Book of Numbers.

On the first two Shabbatot in June we will be reading Parshiot Naso and Be'haalotcha.

Naso opens with the census of the Levitical families; Gershon and Merrari. It is important to note that when the Torah mentions counting the people, it does not use the Hebrew word “lispur” (to count the people), but uses “Ki Tissa” or “Naso” which means to lift up.

When counting the people, each individual is figuratively lifted up in order to show off his or her unique contribution to the community.

Parshat Be'haalotcha opens with God's instruction that Aaron light the seven branched Menorah which was in the Mishkan (Tabernacle) and later on in the Beit HaMikdash (the Temple).

Be'haalotcha also includes the Mitzvah to make the two silver “Chatzotzrot” - trumpets for the following purposes: to assemble the people, to announce the beginning of a journey, and to announce when the Israelites went off to war. They were also sounded on festivals while bringing communal offerings.

When combining these aforementioned themes, we learn that we should always be personally ready to contribute and answer the call to live active Jewish lives and assure that Judaism's eternal light will continue to illuminate our world. As disciples of Aaron, we are counted upon to preserve the lights of Torah, Tfilla, and Gemilut Chasadim.

During the past year Shira and I did our best to engage people in Torah, Tfilla, and Chesed. That was our calling and we did this in and out of the Shul, as well as in our home. We heard the call of the “chatzotzrot” and marched forward.

To sum up, I'd like to share with you the following report:

I was a full-fledged minyanaire committed to attending tefilla b'tzibbur on a daily basis.

I was a Shaliach Tzibbur and have read Torah and Haftara.

I led a spirited “sing along” Shabbat Psukei Dzimra.

I was a full-time pastor committed to visiting and contacting chaverim in their time of simcha, sorrow or distress; including hospital visits; Shiva minyans (Egal and Non-egal); etc.

Whether I was in town or abroad, I always communicated with the Shul and the members by email, phone, and by my weekly “Few Words”. I never missed a Friday.

Shira and I had an open house policy. We conducted classes, kumzitzes, breakfast learnings in our home. In addition, we hosted chaverim for a heimish Shabbat meal.

I shared my love of Torah with the Chaverim through my weekly teachings: Friday night between kabbalat Shabbat and maariv; divrei Torah on Shabbat, and shiurim on Shabbat afternoons.

This past year my classes included: Living Jewishly (why we do the things we do, when we do them); Status of women in Judaism; Breisheet Rabbah, the Elijah Tales, Cj schmooze; Judith and the Chanuka Story; Israel at 69; Women and the Kotel; the Amora Rav and his nameless wife.

I taught a Torah study class for Hebrew speakers.

I conducted Monthly Judaica classes at Paul's Run in memory of the late Marion Lomonosoff.

I chanted Havdala on Sunday morning for the Hebrew School kids, as well as taught and sang with them.

I visited the Preschool kids on Rosh Chodesh, as well as participated in chag related activities coordinated with Sherri Herschfeld.

I worked closely with Chazzan Don and coordinated the Traditional service with him.

We organized the April-May Zionist Commemorations and Holidays at CSS.

I initiated two “Seuda Shlisheet” programs on Shabbat.

I developed a constructive working relationship with the folks who davened in the Traditional Minyan.

I initiated an early childhood program committee, which planned the Havdalah in PJs event, as well as the Chanukah program.

I invited the older Hebrew School kids to lead the end of Shabbat davening in the Traditional Service.

I was involved in Tot Shabbat programs, as well as in the “Sing Along Shabbat” program.

My door was always open to congregants and I was available to answer Rabbinic questions.

All in all, we are leaving CSS with a great sense of satisfaction that we achieved the professional goals of a Rabbinic couple.

Rav Barry

# MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Dear Friends,

This is my final article of the 2016-2017 season.

June is a month for special celebration throughout Congregations of Shaare Shamayim. We celebrated the holiday of Shavuot. I celebrated my first anniversary as your Congregation President by reading Haftorah on the first day Shavuot. There were great closing events for our Men's Club, Chaverim, and Sisterhood, and graduations for our Preschool and Religious School students.

I hope you joined us for some of these celebrations and for our very special "wedding". Our congregation will dance in the streets and celebrate as our brothers and sisters of the Congregations of Ner Zedek "marry" the Congregations of Shaare Shamayim.

Standing under the chupah, we will really get to celebrate our merger. In this, the Ner Zedek memories will ceremonially become part of the collective legacy of the Congregations of Shaare Shamayim.

The wedding is about so much more than adding Congregations of Ner Zedek to our letterhead. A merger is about all of us. We are all strengthened and energized by great new people. Our building has been enhanced by beautiful sacred objects and new

furniture.

We remain the largest synagogue in Northeast Philadelphia. Our hardworking and dedicated Board, Staff, and Clergy are focused on the future. We wish Rav Barry and Shira well as they return to Israel in July. Our clergy will continue to support two services and our entire congregation through sorrows and simchas.

With new friends and successes, we end the year strong.

In my Scroll articles this year, I have talked about connections. It has been an honor listening to congregants talk about their connections this year. My connections to CSS and to Beth Emeth, the congregation of my childhood, were forged from the loving examples of my parents, Gert and Herman Kivitz, of blessed memory. I think of them on Shabbat and certainly from the Bima. They were four decade board members of Beth Emeth Men's Club and Sisterhood respectively. It is our time for all of us to be Gert and Herman for our children, our grandchildren, for this community, and for the Jewish people.

Thank you for you for being a member of our community. See you soon!

Fran Gabriel

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June 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 (7 of Sivan) 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of Shavuot Shacharit Trad. 9:00AM Shacharit Egal. 9:30AM Vizkor approx. 10:30AM Megilat Ruth & Mincha 7:45PM	2 (8 of Sivan) 8:06p Candle Lighting Traditional Service 6:45PM Egalitarian Service 7:45PM	3 (9 of Sivan) Parshat Naso Trad. Service 9AM & 8:14PM Egal. Service 9:30AM Jr. Congregation 10:45AM
4 (10 of Sivan)	5 (11 of Sivan)	6 (12 of Sivan)	7 (13 of Sivan)	8 (14 of Sivan)	9 (15 of Sivan) 8:10p Candle Lighting Traditional Service 6:45PM Egalitarian Service 7:45PM	10 (16 of Sivan) Parshat Behaalotcha Trad. Service 9AM & 8:18PM Egal. Service 9:30AM Jr. Congregation 10:45AM
MARRIAGE CEREMONY 10:30AM		SISTERHOOD DONOR DINNER 6PM	MEN'S CLUB BOARD MTG 7PM			
11 (17 of Sivan)	12 (18 of Sivan)	13 (19 of Sivan)	14 (20 of Sivan)	15 (21 of Sivan)	16 (22 of Sivan) 8:14p Candle Lighting Traditional Service 6:45PM Egalitarian Service 7:45PM	17 (23 of Sivan) Parshat Shelach-Lach Trad. Service 9AM & 8:22PM Egal. Service 9:30AM Jr. Congregation 10:45AM
CHAVERIM JAZZ CAFE 7PM		SISTERHOOD INSTALLATION 6PM	EXECUTIVE BOARD MTG 8PM	MEN'S CLUB BEEF & BEER 6PM		
18 (24 of Sivan) Father's Day	19 (25 of Sivan)	20 (26 of Sivan)	21 (27 of Sivan)	22 (28 of Sivan)	23 (29 of Sivan) 8:15p Candle Lighting Traditional Service 6:45PM Egalitarian Service 7:45PM	24 (30 of Sivan) Parshat Korah Trad. Service 9AM & 8:23PM Egal. Service 9:30AM Jr. Congregation 10:45AM
	EDUCATION COMMITTEE MTG 7PM					
25 (1 of Tammuz) Rosh Chodesh	26 (2 of Tammuz)	27 (3 of Tammuz)	28 (4 of Tammuz)	29 (5 of Tammuz)	30 (6 of Tammuz) 8:15p Candle Lighting Traditional Service 6:45PM Egalitarian Service 7:45PM	
		SISTERHOOD BOARD MTG 7PM	CONGREGATION BOARD MTG 8PM			

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## THANK YOU

There aren't enough words to fully describe my feelings about the Kiddush held in my honor following Shabbat morning services on April 22nd. I was absolutely overwhelmed by its entirety. The time and effort that must have gone into this wonderful day was extraordinary.

My heart swelled with emotion as Ray Leven and Rav Barry each gave a verbal tribute. As if that wasn't already so moving, being presented with a magnificent framed certificate acknowledging my service to the synagogue was above and beyond. All I do at CSS is done out of love for Judaism and our synagogue family, so it was truly a beautiful surprise I will cherish for the rest of my life.

From the bottom of my heart, I extend sincerest gratitude to those who were directly responsible for the planning and execution of that spectacular day as well everyone who stayed to share in this day and approached me with your good wishes.

Elie Rosenblatt

## THANK YOU

Thank you to the many congregation members and the CSS Sisterhood for the personal support as well as the cards and donations in memory of our beloved Harriet Barsky. Much gratitude also to Rav Barry and Cantor Samuels for the comfort that they provided at our difficult time.

Robert Barsky and Family

## STUDENT TRIPS TO ISRAEL

Do you have a teenage or young adult student planning a trip to Israel? If so, contact the shul office. The Jeffrey Allen Memorial Fund is set up to help students fund their trips to Israel.



## ADULT EDUCATION

I want to thank everyone who helped make our recent Arts Festival such a success. This includes the planning committee, the planners and taste testers for some new recipes, the shoppers, and all the kitchen helpers that helped to prepare, serve and clean up after each function. Most importantly I'd like to thank everyone who came out to support the Arts Festival which featured Mordechai Rosenstein as the guest artist. I hope you found the experience to be inspiring, entertaining and educational. A big shout out to Jacques for obtaining the grant from Federation and of course to Mordechai Rosenstein

for sharing his talents with us.

As always, continue to check your weekly e-mails or Shabbat Bulletin for a schedule of Rav Barry's classes, which are always educational and thought provoking.

If you have any ideas for future programs, please leave a message for me at the CSS office. Have a great summer!

Denise Ellner  
Adult Ed Chairperson

## MITZVAH COMMITTEE

The Spring holidays are over and we're moving into the somewhat lazy summer season. For some of our congregants, summer does not mean vacation trips and fun weekends. They are concerned about what they will eat and its source. The children outgrow their school clothing. September is not far away. How will they manage? The Mitzvah Committee will step in and help. With your donations, we can make

sure there is food on the table and new clothing for the children to wear.

Thanks to people like the Sloans, Rhona and Bruce, and the Rubins, Gail and Richard, for their very generous donations which enable us to serve you.

Rosalie and the Ladies of the Mitzvah Committee

# CSS has a new website!

Did you know there are a huge number of things you can do with our new website including:

- Make donations online
- Register and pay for select synagogue events
- Find Shabbat and holiday service schedules and candle lighting times
- See our entire calendar of events
- See the Rabbi's weekly "A Few Words From Rav Barry" in the Rabbi's Corner
- Take a virtual walk though both of our Sanctuaries
- Find contact information for clergy, staff, and leadership
- Subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter

If you need assistance or have any questions about using our website, please contact Debbie in the office at 215-677-1600.

**WWW.SHAARESHAMAYIM.ORG**

## KVELLER KORNER

*We invite you to let the office know if you have something to share that we can include in our monthly newsletter. Please send happy announcements to [Debbie@shaareshamayim.org](mailto:Debbie@shaareshamayim.org). If you have any questions, please contact Debbie in the office.*



Jared Owens, son of Mindy Owens, ran the Broad Street Run on Sunday, May 7 and completed the 10 mile marathon in two hours and 24 minutes. Jared began training in March and runs with an organization called Students Run Philly Style. Youth and

volunteers train alongside each other as they prepare for a full or half marathon.



Debbie Hersh, daughter of Judy and Martin Hersh, was last month's Student of the Month at her Jiu Jitsu gym. Debbie joined the Grindhouse gym in July 2014. She had zero experience in martial arts but pushed herself outside her comfort zone and is now a talented Jiu Jitsu Blue Belt. She is always

willing to help other students and is constantly striving to get better.



Jordan Ashley Biagi, granddaughter of Bonnie and Kayo Oblon, graduated Summa Cum Laude from Rutgers University.



Gil Rosen, son of Howard and Bonnie Rosen was elected Communications Vice President of USY for the EPA/Hagesher Region.

# THE LIBRARY SHELF



It's not too early to line up your summer reading. From beloved young adult author, Judy Blume, comes her third adult book, *In the Unlikely Event*, a page turner that takes place in Elizabeth, NJ in 1950. The story has several facets and with each one you can hardly wait to read what happens next. Miri is our

fifteen year old protagonist, a feisty young lady beset with several real life problems. The book ends leaving you wanting more or a sequel. The volume in our library has been on two cruises, one to the Carribean, the other to South America going through the Panama Canal. It looks forwards to another adventure or two.

Jodi Picoult's *Leaving Time* is a wonderful story of a young girl seeking information about her mother who disappeared years before. It includes everything you wanted to know about elephants and then some.

My favorite quilt author, Jennifer Chiaverini, has again tackled the Civil War. No quilts but this time she has written about spies. Elizabeth, educated in Philadelphia by Quakers, undertakes the feeding and nursing of Union soldiers in a Confederate prison. She invents clever ways of delivering messages as she risks her own life to help the Yankees.

Marie Boswick who also wrote about quilting has

changed her subject material in *The Second Sister*. Lucy returns to her small Wisconsin hometown after her sister who is mentally impaired dies. She discovers the impact her sister Alice had on the town.

Kristin Harmel has written a poignant book about learning of family history from a grandmother who has Alzheimer's disease.

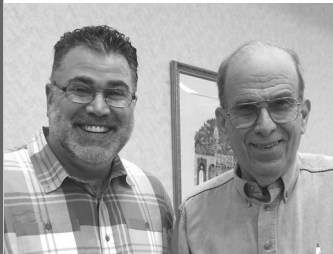
The next two books I've written about previously. One was made into a TV movie starring Oprah Winfrey. It's non-fiction but great reading. *The Immortal Cells of Henrietta Lacks* is a worthwhile book about a poor family and great science. Truth is stranger than fiction!

And last today, but not least, is *The Zookeeper's Wife*, which has been made into a movie. The language is beautiful and the book is well written. Antonina, a Polish Christian woman, through cunning and love for people, saves hundreds of lives during the Holocaust.

If you want to borrow any of these books and more, you can find them in the library on the orange book cart. Please sign the card in the back of the book with your name and phone number. Place the card on the desk when you're finished.

Enjoy and Happy Reading,  
Rosalie Cohen

## MEN'S CLUB TIME OUT



Our next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 7th at 7PM. Please come out and help us plan next year's calendar.

Please remember to send in your donations to the Yellow Candle Fund. If

you have already sent in your donation, we thank you very much!!!

Please join us on Thursday, June 15th for our annual Beef and Beer closing event. Back by popular demand, we will once again be entertained by the wonderful Bob Cisik. Our dinner starts at 6:30PM and

the price for the event is \$15.00 for members and their one guest. Prices for any additional guests is \$17.00 per person. Please call the office to RSVP for the dinner or you can e-mail Howard at [hrosen1967@gmail.com](mailto:hrosen1967@gmail.com). Send in your payment with a check made out to CSS Men's Club. We hope to see you at this wonderful evening.

We want to wish everyone a happy, healthy and cool summer.

See you in Shul,

Barry Leiber and Howard Rosen  
Men's Club Co-Presidents



## Earn cash for our school with Box Tops

*Bring your box tops for education to the Office so we can redeem them!*

# SISTERHOOD HAPPENINGS



It seems like I was just installed as Sisterhood President. I can't believe a whole year has gone by. All our projects and fund raisers are over for the 2016 – 2017 year. Now is the time when we can sit back and enjoy ourselves.

First up is the Donor Dinner, catered by Jannette of Food Design. We always look forward to her good food. Louise Schuman has promised great entertainment. The Donor Dinner is our way of thanking our members for all their hard work raising money for CSS.

The following week, on June 13th we will have our Installation. Rabbi Wolpe will do the honors. Cantor Samuels will lead us in the Star Spangled Banner and Hatikvah. This will be catered by our very capable Sisterhood kitchen staff. Please, we need your response if we are to have enough food.

Also, if you pay your dues by June 30th you will be eligible to be in the drawing for free dues in the following year. The cost of dues is \$30 or \$25 for seniors over 62.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer. We look forward to seeing you in the fall.

Mindy Poliner  
rlmp7716@yahoo.com

## Sisterhood Calendar 2016 – 2017

**\*All meetings are held at 7pm  
unless noted**

### Board Meetings

Tuesday, June 27, 2017

### Special Events

Tuesday, June 6, 2017, Donor Dinner, 6pm

Tuesday, June 13, 2017 Installation, 6pm

## SISTERHOOD TREASURES

Have you checked out our relocated Gift Shop to take advantage of the bargains? 50% off all regular merchandise. An extra 10% off all sale items. 20% off wine.



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## PTA

A sigh of relief and big CONGRATULATIONS! Another year of Religious School has been completed – phew! We studied, prayed, learned, and had fun along the way. Think back to September when the 2016/2017 school year began and how fast it flew by—let's hope summer break doesn't do the same.

Great big CONGRATULATIONS to our graduating Hei students Joseph Covone and Tyler Sweeney! May you always look back at your time at CSS as an important stepping stone in your Jewish life. Mazel Tov!

Parents, please remember to pay any outstanding dinner bills before June 15<sup>th</sup>. If you've misplaced your bill and want to check on your balance, please call the office.

Have an AWESOME summer! Be safe and have fun!

Signing off for the last time,

Carolyn Sweeney  
PTA Co-President

# PRESCHOOL PRESS

How do we bring a phenomenal school year to an end? We create the excitement for children to come and buy books at the BOOK FAIR!! There is a feeling of pure joy that we witness when our children have the chance to choose their own books. The parents supported our efforts and approximately \$2200 worth of books were sold at our Book Fair. This allowed our teachers to choose new books for their classrooms from the credits we earned from the sale.

We “inch” towards the end of the school year with a memorable experience, of course. We took our students on a fun-filled trip to ISRAEL! Passports were sent home for children and parents to complete and return, with photo ID attached. Their “suitcases” were packed full with all of their travel essentials. They all arrived at the airport with their passports, luggage, hats, and sunglasses.

They were welcomed to the El Al Terminal of the airport where they met Captain Sherri, the airline pilot. She directed the passengers to the Immigration booth to have their passports stamped ensuring they will receive their boarding passes. They then took their seats in the wide-body 747. After all children were seated, the airline policies were addressed and the flight attendants ensured that all seat belts were properly fastened.

Rav Barry welcomed fellow passengers playing his guitar and encouraging the children to join in the songs. They prepared for take-off and handled the jostling on the bumpy runway quite well. After a smooth landing, we all clapped and sang another song with Rav Barry. Then, it was off to experience the sights, sounds, textures, and tastes of Israel.

Some first ventured toward Jerusalem, where they placed their prepared notes into the cracks of the Kotel, they purchased fruits, vegetables, and a toy with their shekels at the Shuk, and then they went to an archeological site where they joined an

archeological dig in progress. They found Roman gold coins, pieces of ancient pottery, and some precious stones. Some first went to the Golan Heights Vineyards to pick the red grapes hanging from the vines. Others went first to the Dead Sea for a swim and a hand massage with Dead Sea Mud. Other students decided to go directly to the TEL AVIV CAFÉ and BAKERY for a delicious meal of figs, dates, hummus, pita, and Israeli salad made by Lilah Hananel. At the conclusion of the trip, we re-joined Rav Barry and Shira for more music and singing as we prepared to depart Israel. Some did not want to leave!

We also venture towards the end of our school by having our pre-k and kindergarten students spend time creating original works of art under the tutelage of the world renowned artist, Mordechai Rosenstein. Parents were invited to join us. We had our 5<sup>th</sup> visit of this school year with Nature Jack and with Mr. Tom, our program reinforcement using “magic”. We will still be attending our aerobics and music classes up to the very last day of school.

Please enjoy our pictures and we will make sure to enjoy every last second with this current school year’s group of extraordinary children. We only have very few spots left available in our pre-k classes and kindergarten. At the beginning of May, we had 101 children enrolled for September. While we do need to plan for September, I am determined to enjoy every minute with this very special group of students here right now! We know their next school will be so grateful to have them after they graduate from CSS! They will always have a home here, with us!!

Sherri Herschfeld  
Preschool Director

## Volunteer Opportunity with NORC

The Northeast NORC is looking for volunteers to help with several projects including drivers to deliver grocery orders once or twice a month for older adults who are unable to shop for themselves.

Also, be a “Fix For A Friend” volunteer to help eliminate hazards in the homes of our older adults with things they can’t easily do for themselves such as tightening up loose hinges; changing toilet flappers, filters, light bulbs, smoke detector batteries; and doing seasonal yard work.

Please contact Volunteer Coordinators: Marcia Gross at [mgross@jewishphilly.org](mailto:mgross@jewishphilly.org) or Jason Jankovic at [jjankovic@jewishphilly.org](mailto:jjankovic@jewishphilly.org).

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# **C.S.S. Kindergarten and Preschool Graduates**

## **KINDERGARTEN**

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**Avery Bellano**

**Kassidy Earls**

**Lydia Levy**

**Hailey Spak**

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**Layla England**

**Maya Melamed**

**Alexandria Verwoerd**

## **Four Year Old Classes**

**Mrs. Michele Crandley & Mrs. Renee' Berger**

**Daniel Jacob**

**Stephen Kalathil**

**Andrew Varughese**

**Mark Jacoby**

**Marko Pittaoulis**

**Kaden Horwitz**

**Nevin Varghese**

**Mrs. Judy Coyne & Mrs. Renee' Berger**

**Michael Bakalo**

**Eliya Hadria**

**Cassidy Pelberg**

**Gabriela Cajuste**

**Dea Ismailanji**

**Jacob Shefcyk**

**Hayley Gershman**

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**Mrs. Gail Lipschutz, Mrs. Wendy Miller & Mrs. Louise West**

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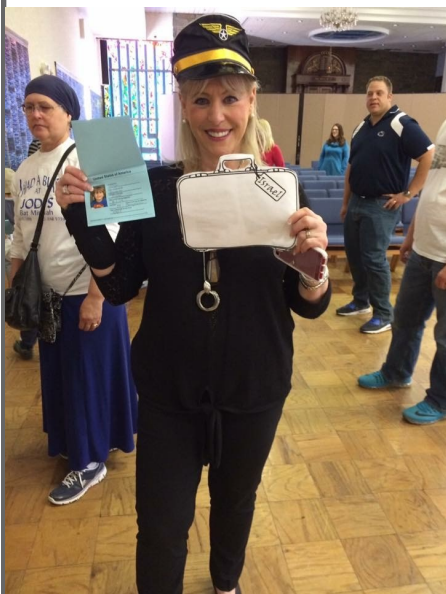
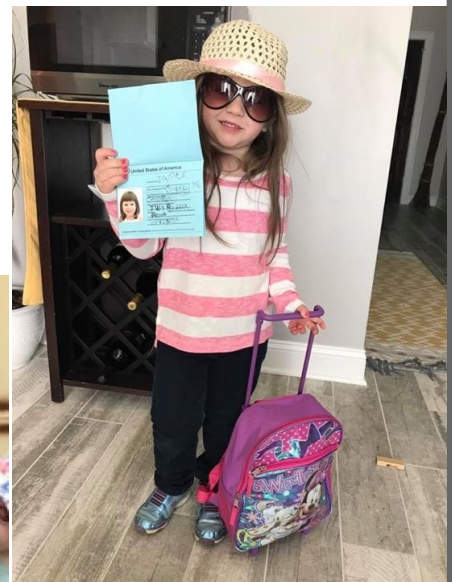
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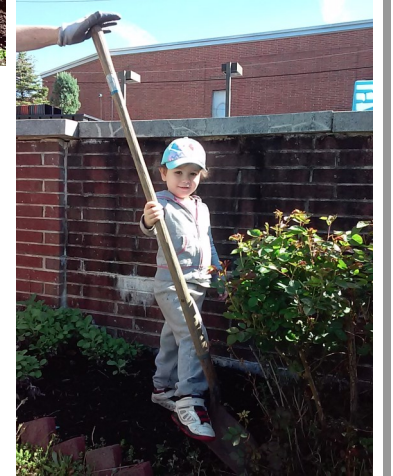


# Preschool "Trip" to Israel

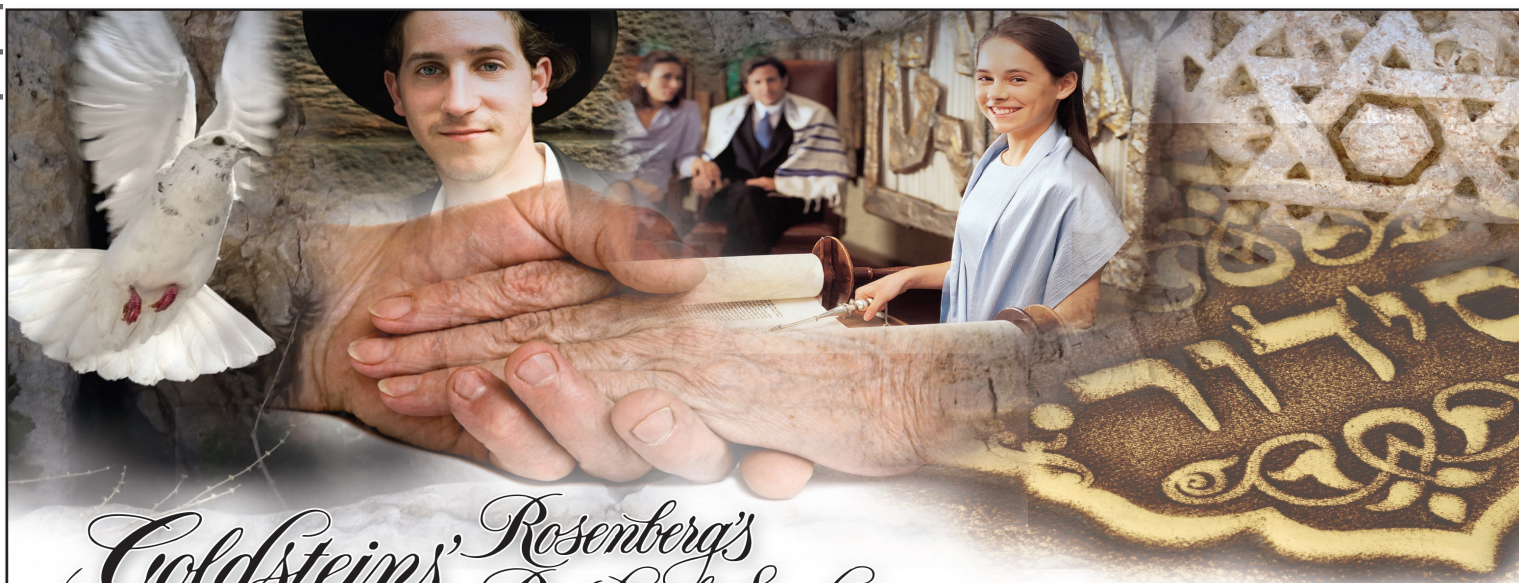




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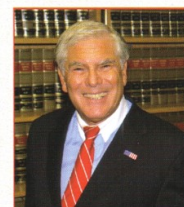


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The Congregation mourns long-time member and past President, Morris Yelowitz.

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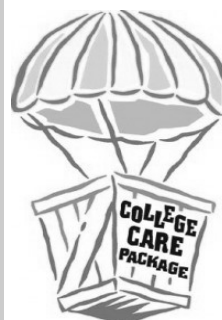
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 6/12 M/M Gary Cohen  
 6/14 M/M Jerry Zwerling  
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 6/29 M/M Sylvan Kesilman




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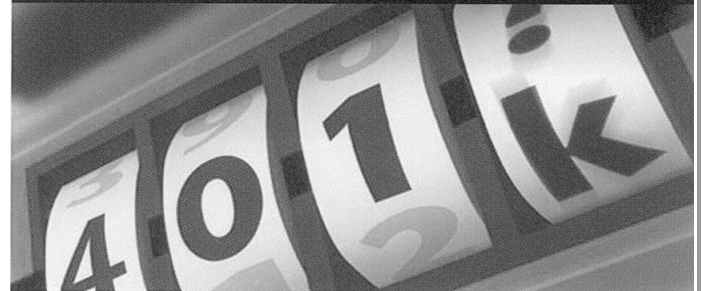
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