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Friday, May 31- 6:00 pm Saturday, June 1- 9:30 am & 1:30 pm

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5/31 8:03 pm **6/7** 8:08 pm **6/14** 8:11 pm **6/21** 8:13 pm **6/28** 8:14 pm

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SAVE THE DATE (Dates subject to

change)

June 2019

6/1 - Grandparents Shabbat

6/2 - Celebrate Israel Parade

6/7-6/10 - Men's Club Shavuot Family Weekend

6/9 - Shavuot - "Sisterhood Presents" Jewish

Women Program

6/12 - Congregational Meeting

6/13 - 613 Society Event

6/14 - Tiki Bar Shabbat with Chinese Food

Date to be Announced - Hazak Gift Card Bingo Dinner

July 2019

7/25-7/28 - Artist in Residence - David Rabinowitz - writers workshop/shabbat dinner/ screening of "Blackklansman" w/Q&A following

September 2019

9/8 - EBJC 2nd Annual Block Party and BBQ 9/22 - Bus trip to Jewish Heritage Museum

Rabbinic Reflections



In the Talmud there is a wonderful midrash in which Moses is depicted as watching God sitting and writing crowns on some of the letters in the Torah. Moses asked God why the Holy One was doing this. God responded "There is a man who will appear at the end of several generations and Akiva ben

Yosef is his name. And he will need these crowns, because from each and every mark he will derive scores and scores of laws." Moses retorted, "Ruler of the Universe, show this man to me." The Holy One said, "Turn around!" Moses found himself sitting in the back of Rabbi Akiva's classroom and he did not understand a word that was being said. He felt faint and frustrated. When the class paused at a certain point in the discussion, a student asked Rabbi Akiva, "Rabbi, what is the source for this ruling?" He said, "It is a law given unto Moses at Sinai." At that point, Moses was contented.

How could it be that Moses, the instrument of God's revelation of the law, could not understand the teachings derived from that law? This midrash teaches us that Torah is a supple and expanding source, one that can accommodate new circumstances and new ideas. It does so through the study of sages like Rabbi Akiva, who was able to make new laws even out of the crowns atop letters in the Torah text. Some of those new derivations might have confused Moses, because he was not from the time of Rabbi Akiva, but knowing that every new law can be traced back to the words and values of Torah put his mind at ease.

At EBJC, we too must see ourselves as students in Rabbi Akiva's classroom. We must seek meaning in our tradition in order to be able to respond to circumstances much different from the time of either Moses or Rabbi Akiva. But we do so using the same methods as our sages have for the last two thousand years: Devotion to God's words, serious study of the Torah and rabbinic texts, and the sen-

sitivity to know how best to respond to new conditions while remaining true to our tradition. Other kinds of Judaism are quite good at one or the other - responding to new conditions or remaining true to tradition - what is distinctive about Conservative Judaism is the assertion that one can do both simultaneously.

In the coming months we will continue our journey down the path of discovery, maintaining our identity as a traditional synagogue while seeking to broaden the doors of our shared home. We have made great strides over the last two years in meeting a wide variety of religious needs, and as we move forward I remind us all that we are still in process. It is now Rabbi Akiva's turn to sit at the back of our classroom, perhaps as perplexed as Moses once was in his own, and to be reassured that our efforts to integrate Torah with our own, distinctly modern needs, ultimately goes back to Moses, which is to say to the moment that we celebrate this month at Shavuot, the moment of revelation at Sinai.

And, like Rabbi Akiva, we should not be timid in finding new traditions in the letters of Torah's crown. Interpretation and active innovation have been the hallmarks of Jewish tradition for two millennia, and we will not shrink from invoking them now. Shavuot is coming. Let's stand again at Sinai and hear what God truly wants of us at this moment.

Rabbi Jeff Pivo

Cantor Larry



Hello Families,

I want to thank you for making it an incredible first year for me. The classrooms were full of learning and fun. We tackled some challenges along the way and I look forward to smooth sailing in the year and years ahead.

I want to thank Rabbi Pivo for all of his guidance and support. In addition, I want to thank the Teaching

Team, the Education Committee, the Youth Commission, and all of EBJC's volunteers for their hard work within all the aspects of our education and youth programs. A special thank you to Erin Kaplan, our Youth Advisor, for her hard work and dedication.

Mazal Tov to all of our students for learning and growing.

In the months ahead, I will be working on creating some new curriculum for our students and will be bringing in some new staff. We will continue to thrive and grow, educating our youth, who will be our Jewish future.

Please look for the emails regarding registration for Kesher and youth groups.

As always, if you have any questions, please contact me at cantorlarry@ebjc.org. Please share with your friends all the new and wonderful activities happening at Kesher, USY, Kadima, and Chaverim, as well as all of the programs being offered at EBJC. It truly is a place for everyone and for everything!

The next of the three Pilgrimage holidays occurs during this month. While for many of us we may be heading for the shore points, another Jewish holiday known as Shavuot brings us something more warming, the warmth of receiving the Torah.

To commemorate this event, we stay up all night learning in anticipation of receiving the Torah. In the morning, during the Shacharit service, we read the

famous Ten Commandments.

The Talmud, Megillah 31A states that the portion to be read from the Torah on the First Day of Shavuoth is the account of the Giving of the Law at Sinai (from Chapters 19-20 of the Book of Exodus). For we are told in the Midrash that God spoke to Israel as follows: "If you read these portions on the third month of each year I shall regard it as if you yourselves had personally stood on Mount Sinai and received the Torah" (Mate Moshe). In honor of the Giving of the Law, the Ten Commandments should be read from the Torah on that day not in the "low chant", Ta'am Tahton, meant for use by an individual reading for himself, but in the "festive melody", Ta'am Ha'elyon. This Trope is employed only when reading to an assembled congregation and according to some, only on Shavuoth. In the ordinary "low" chant the accentuation is such that each individual sentence is sung as a separate verse even when that sentence is only part of one commandment (e.g. the Second and Fourth). In the second half, on the other hand, the terse phrases forming the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Commandments are read like one single verse because there is no other passage in the Torah where sentences consisting of less than three words can be found. In the "festive chant" for Shavuoth, however, the sentences are elided or separated by accentuation in such a manner as to divide the recital into ten individual verses, thus stressing the fact that the commandments are ten in number. "While the Ten Com-mandments are read it is customary that the entire congregation rises and hears the reading in silent reverence just as if it were personally standing at Mount Sinai and hearing the Law from God and from the mouth of Moses" (Yabetz).

May we all receive great benefit from all of the laws of the Torah and may this joyous holiday bring warmth and sunshine for the summer months ahead.

On behalf of my wife, Laura, and our children, Samantha, Heather, and Jeremy, I wish you all a *Hag* Sameah.

~ Cantor Larry

Presidents' Report



Well, this will be our last Recorder article. Two years have gone by and we've heard it say that the best job at EBJC is Past President, we are looking forward to it.

This has been a term of challenges and pride, happiness and pain. Honestly,

that's just true of life and we would not have had it any other way.

ing members, children of members and parents while being strengthened in the bond of a caring community; one that comes together to comfort and console, to help and to reach out, to just be there.

We have had some turnover in our support teams and we thank those who have worked in the service of EBJC so diligently: Raymond, Gale, Trudi, Julie, Naomi, Aida, Erin, Stefani, and David Kosher. Thanks for your dedication and your heart. We trust that the current team of Ellen, Cheryl and Zoie in the office will be able to support our clergy and our membership while helping the lay leadership maintain the mission.

We are happy to see EBJC in the talented hands of The Dynamic Duo, Rabbi Pivo and Cantor Larry. We are confident they will continue the mission of a strong EBJC with a bright future -a congregation united in the drive to maintain a strong Jewish presence in Central Jersey, one with fully traditional services along with equally spiritual Egalitarian options, one with twice daily services, a strong, vibrant Jewish Education program focused on training the next generation of Conservative Jews to carry the torch and the light of knowledge.

We are proud of our successes. We have hardened our facility by implementing the security grant and instituted cameras, door locks, panic buttons and armed security guards, a system that is state of the art and way ahead of other congregations. Kudos to Steve Zeidwerg on an amazing job. We also started using Shabbat hot plates instead of boiling hot water on sternos. What a mitzvah and improved safety for our staff. After much effort we have successfully outsourced the bookkeeping processes. This has afforded EBJC much accountability, reliability and consistency. This has also allowed us to reduce the cost of our annual financial review as the bookkeeper improves their process significantly. The synagogue now boasts two parallel services every Shabbat with many new Torah readers to expand our offerings while coming together as friends and family for Mussaf and Kiddush. We have paved the lot, stabilized the aging building, celebrated our founding members and honored our clergy in celebration. We hope we have also paved the way to stabilizing our finances, celebrating our members and honoring our clergy for their daily dedication, l'shem shamaim לשם שמיים(for the sake of God).

We are excited to hand the baton over to the next team of leaders. The Congregational Meeting to vote on the new slate and next year's budget is June 12 th . Please make sure you are paid up with all of your financial obligations to the shul through April 2019, so that your voice can be heard and you can vote. We support the wonderful and dedicated nominees and are confident they will do their utmost to strengthen and preserve our sacred community.

We have suffered sorrow at the loss of members, found- We have so many people to thank. Our Executive teams during these two years (in no particular order): Dov Pollak, Debbie Friedman, Adrian Kroll, Joannie Weinfeld, Andrea Tobias Kostick, Taryn Webber, Jay Lopatin, Hayley Migdal, Howard Jacobs, Diana Horowitz, Steve Zeidwerg, Bob Salston and Neil Kosher. Without you guys, nothing would have happened. Your dedication of endless hours, your caring hearts and your thoughtful minds kept EBJC on the right path and the presidents on track. The Board of Directors and a host of volunteers on standing and ad hoc committees, all crucial to the daily function of this institution – thank you. Ellen Botwin who has worked so many more hours than her part-time job requires, to deal with many issues and transitions, and successfully enhanced EBJCs bottom line with new members, savings and initiatives. The lay leadership has relied heavily on your support and deep understanding of the workings of a shul. To Lynda Perel and her team - the children love you, the Center for Early Learning continues to thrive in these difficult demographics thanks to you. To Cheryl Decker who has brought us through two financial transitions to settle on a modern, trustworthy and user-friendly accounting system where we all have access to our personal accounts and much is becoming automated. We hope you and Zoie Schachter will now be able to transition us into a smoothly functioning synagogue office. To Jose Mendez and Leo Guitierrez without whom the many activities and roles that EBJC performs would not be possible.

> We will continue to be present and will be happy to take on any role (except presidency, lol) that the presidents ask of us. May this future year be one of happiness, health and all good things for our EBJC family and all their families.

Deena Oren Eric Pelofsky Co-Presidents

Executive Director



nights, we stayed at the Mar- when I see a show on Broadway). riott Marquis on 45th and of Times Square). Yes, we had

must have been to the salesperson that we did not want to spend \$56,000 on 4,000 destination points!

take advantage of this!

see 10 shows in one week! That's how much I enjoy it.

Cher Show, I thought I could play the mother and in Come From Away there were actually a couple of characters I felt could play. Ah, to dream! Then I turn around and see my husband with his eyes closed and I this wonderfulness? I just don't get it. Plus, right next accommodate everyone! to him is a crazy lady applauding and whoo hooing all because there is no way I'm going to pay for a ticket and loyalty to EBJC! (albeit discounted) and have him sleep through the show. He can sleep another time.

Last night, I attended the calendar meeting where all the arms of the Synagogue, the fundraising committee, membership committee, youth groups, Kesher, and new era come together to reserve "dates" on the calendar. It's amazing how quickly the calendar can fill. Also, unless you sit in on this meeting, you wouldn't really understand how much activity is actually going on at EBJC. There are education classes, Torah and Talmud

This past week, Rob and I did a classes, Lunch and Learn, Hazak programs, Youth short little NYC get away courtegroups and activities, Kesher School, special Shabbat sy of Marriott and their new dinners, special Shabbat events/Kiddush, bus trips, "Destination Point" program. fundraisers, fun programming, and so much more! So for only \$150 a night for two This place is a hopping and a bopping (just like I am

Broadway (smack in the middle I want to add to the calendar an EBJC's Got Talent show but I need volunteers and help with this. The to listen to a sales presentation and what a surprise it membership/fundraising committee has also been discussing having an Arabian Nights themed fun evening of food and music (I'd love to have belly dancers, but I don't know if that's a no-no in a Synagogue). We re-Truth be told. Rob and I have timeshare that we pur- ceived such positive feedback from our gala with Modi chased on resale at a very, very low cost. As a result of as the entertainment that we're looking to do some Marriott and Sheraton merging, we have over 5 million equally fun things for our gala in February 2020. The points in their combined "hotel" system. I don't need old "gala dance" kind of a thing is on its way out. Peoany more destination points! My children know how to ple want to be entertained and involved and why not, right?

I love going to the city. I love going to Broadway shows. This fiscal year is coming to an end on June 30th and This time, we saw The Cher Show (which I very much for a month or two, it's quiet at the Synagogue which is enjoyed) and Come From Away (which I absolutely very welcomed on the part of the clergy and staff! I'm loved). Where else can you be swept away to another happy to say that we have Zoie back as a full time Oftime and place for two or two and a half hours? If I had fice Assistant. I'm sad to say goodbye to Stefani and my way, and if I were much wealthier, I'd go to NYC and Erin, but we truly needed another full time person in the office. Zoie will be handling many of the day to day responsibilities of running the office. She'll be in Every time I see a show, I search out a character that I charge of sending out emails (under my supervision think I can perform (hey, this is my daydream). In The and direction) and will eventually take over our webpage and handling the Recorder. Although it would be wonderful to have one more part time person in the office (three years ago we actually had three full time people in the office), it's not affordable to EBJC right wonder... how could he possibly sleep through all of now, so we will make do and will do the best we can to

over the place (that would be me). I keep nudging him Thank you all so much for your continued membership

Be well, Ellen

The Congregation Extends

CONDOLENCES TO:

Miriam Cohen on the passing of her sister, Jeanette Paris

The Pelofsky family on the passing of Arnold Pelofsky.

Lisa Seidman on the passing of her mother, Brenda Cooper.

The Rosenthal family on the passing of EBJC founding member, Ruth Rosenthal, wife of Murray Rosenthal.

Stacy Elman on the passing of her father, John Feuerlicht.

Anne Kofsky, on the passing of her father, Alan Kaplan

MAZEL TOV TO:

Gloria Jaslow on being selected as EBJC Sisterhood's Woman of Achievement honoree! Perry and Risa Krasnove on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ben Krasnove.

Lauren Goldner and Johnathan Kaplan on the Bat Mitzvah of her daughter, Amanda Kaplan.

EBJC gives a huge thank you to Seth and Taryn Webber and their family for donating the beautiful new automatic memorial board now located in the Sanctuary









Mazel Tov to our high school graduates who will be attending college in the fall!

Jared Blatteis
Sean Dekhayser
Brooke Friedman
Amanda Gold
Joshua Grunberg
Ilana Herman
Binghamton University
Rutgers Mason Gross
University of Wisconsin
Quinnipiac University
Middlesex County College
Rutgers Business School

Lyndsey Lipson Young Judaea Year Course and then Emory University

Amanda Lopatin Undecided

Matthew Mandell Penn State University, University Park Campus

Gabbi Pelofsky **Rutgers University** Jack Rollman University of Rochester Rebecca Rollman University of Maryland Hannah Seidman Montclair State University Jake Stein University of Delaware Mikayla Steinberg **Boston University** Jeremy Tuner **Indiana University** Brianna Weiner Ithaca College

Mazel Tov to our college graduates!

Kira Dekhayser graduating from Rhode Island School of Design

Matt Perel graduating from Temple University

Lindsey Schafer graduating from Syracuse University

Myles Ullman graduating from Boston University

Michelle Weinfeld graduating from University of Maryland and entering graduate school there

Eli Esrig (grandson of Roxsene and Jules Plaker) graduating from Brandeis University, cum laude

ONLY checks made out to EBJC go-to Montvale. Sisterhood, men's club, mitzvah corps, all discretionary funds, 613 event, pavilion donations all go to Ryder's Lane.

Please make sure when making an online donation to EBJC to use the drop down menu correctly. If you are making a donation in honor of, in memory of, for a yahrzeit or an aliyah, etc. You must click the correct category or it will automatically default to "general donation".

Save the Date!

Friday, June 14th: Tiki Bar Shabbat with Chinese Food - Come join us for a special Shabbat featuring a tiki bar with adult and kid-friendly drinks!

To register online go to ebjc.org and click under "events", or call the office.

EBJC'S 613 SOCIETY EVENT

Join us on 6-13-19 at 6:13pm to raise the necessary funds to repair the Shabbat house and make it livable for Cantor & Larry Brandspiegel and their family to comfortably & safely enjoy the mitzvah of celebrating Shabbat & Holidays here at EBJC. For more info call Adrian & Anne Kroll at (732) 735-1616

EBJC 2nd annual Block Party and BBQ -Sunday, September 8 from 11 am - 2pm -More information to follow! Sunday, September 22nd - Bus trip to Jewish Heritage Museum to view the Auschwitz Holocaust exhibit in the U.S. for a very limited time. "It is the most comprehensive exhibition dedicated to the history of Auschwitz and its role in the Holocaust ever presented in North America. The exhibition brings together more than 700 original objects and 400 photographs, from more than 20 institutions and museums around the world". Tickets should be purchased directly through EBJC in order to reserve for the bus trip and museum tickets together. Space is limited! RSVP by 8/16/19. Reserve your spot early to secure your seat on the bus! To sign up, please call the office at 732-257-7070!

Letters to the Editor

Apologies to Sara Alter, whose letter was mistakenly omitted from the May Recorder.

March 15, 2019

Dear EBJC Kehilla,

Thank you for your visits, phone calls, cards, food, and offers of help during this long recovery from the surgery I had in February. Thank you also to Rabbi Pivo and Cantor Larry, who keep reminding me that while it may be a long process, I will be back on the dance floor with all of you.

Scott and I are lucky to be surrounded by people who make EBJC a Kehilla, not only a congregation but a community of wonderful people who take care of each other.

I am counting the days until I am dancing with you all again!

Sara Alter

Bar/Bat Mitzvah

Amanda Kaplan participated in a Walk to raise money for the make a wish foundation. She also created a project with her friend to raise money to buy toys for kids in the hospital. They raised enough money to buy two shopping carts full of toys and delivered them to Robert Wood Johnson .





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Sisterhood



The annual Shabbat, in all its splendor and ruach, is the highlight of members who find meaning on the bimah. and comfort in worship. This year's special service, on May 18, was no exception. It was a day that joyously connected ALL the women of EBJC in communal prayer, song, friendship, and celebration.

MAZEL TOV and thank you to all the participants in the service, all the co-sponsors of our lovely kiddush, and all those who supported us JUST BY BEING THERE.

As the egalitarian service has evolved from monthly to weekly frequency, our Sisterhood members have risen to the occasion, embracing new challenges every step of the way. But progress is very personally defined. For some, merely witnessing women on the bimah and/or in leadership roles, provides inspiration. For others, leading an English reading, learning a new prayer, or donning a tallit for the first time are all significant milestones. We each approach worship with a unique perspective, woven from our family background, education, and synagogue experiences.

What's most important is that we respect each other, offering acknowledgement and praise for whatever niche each woman finds most suitable for her needs. Through Sisterhood, we present ALL the women of our congregation the opportunities to learn, grow, and explore what's right for them.

Sisterhood has already hosted one Synagogue Skills workshop, on May 6, to give those less familiar with the Shabbat morning service the opportunity to enhance their knowledge. We reviewed the structure of the service and how to recite the prayers for an Aliyah, as well as the roles of gelilah (dressing the Torah) and hagbah (lifting the Torah). We plan to schedule more of these learning sessions. Let us know where your interests lie, because we are here FOR YOU.

GLORIA JASLOW, who has been expertly and lovingly coordinating our Sisterhood Shabbat for 11 years, has been named our WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT for 2019. The Garden State Region of Women's League for Conservative Judaism honored all the outstanding women from the synagogues in our area on June 5th at a festive WAIKIKI LUAU at Temple Beth Shalom in Livingston. We sincerely thank those who contributed to the ad journal for the event. Followtions for this special distinction....

As our Religious Vice-President, Gloria represents Sisterhood on the synagogue's prestigious Ritual Committee, assuring that the unique opinions and perspectives of our women are taken into account. She is well-versed in religious ritual, and has improved others' knowledge by sharing her expertise. Gloria has been a fervent supporter of the evolving role of women in worship at EBJC, as a weekly egalitarian service has become a long-awaited reality.



For the past 11 years, Gloria has coordinated our annual Sisterhood Shabbat, a cherished event in which Sisterhood women lead services. Gloria has enthusiastically encouraged all the women in our synagogue to "push past their comfort zone" by participating in some new way. For those who are hesitant or uncertain about leading, Gloria suggests an English reading or a

Sisterhood small Hebrew part. For those who are more comfortable leading prayers, she urges them to advance to a short Torah reading. This year, Gloria enlisted the help of our clergy to schedule a special Synthe calendar for many of our agogue Skills Workshop designed to enhance women's confidence

> But most importantly, Gloria's passion for Judaism and her positive outlook serve as a powerful example for Sisterhood members. She regularly attends all Shabbat and Holiday services and is a frequent Torah reader. Through her heartfelt faith, her commitment to Jewish ritual practice, and her desire to elevate women's status within our beloved religion, Gloria is an honored role model within EBJC.

This year, in the spirit of learning, which is a hallmark of Shavuot, we reprised a program from several years back, Great Jewish Women. We gathered in the courtyard on Sunday, June 9 to share stories of prominent Jewish women who have impressed our Sisterhood members with their unique accomplishments. The reports ranged from Biblical heroines, such as Rachel, to political activists, such as Elizabeth Holtzman-Congresswoman, Brooklyn DA, and NYC Comptroller-who shattered glass ceilings throughout her career. Although they excelled in different areas, the subjects presented all portrayed the best qualities of Jewish womanhood.

Our 4th Annual Shavuot Plant Sale was a huge success! According to the Midrash, Mount Sinai suddenly bloomed with flowers in anticipation of the giving of the Torah. And thanks to our wonderful congregants at EBJC, our own bimah bloomed as well! We extend gratitude to everyone who purchased plants. Your generosity helped to usher the beauty of Shavuot into our sanctuary.

Visit our Sisterhood Judaica Shop for great values on exquisite items.

SISTERHOOD IS STILL ACTIVE DURING THE SUMMER!—We have exciting events planned:

Saturday, July 20—The Launching of Sisterhood Book Club! Join us after Kiddush as we discuss the awardwinning memoir If All the Seas Were Ink by Ilana Kurshan.

August—Our annual Summer Barbecue—A fun evening of great food and fellowship. Catch up with old friends and greet new ones! *Specific Date to be Determined

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