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## Kehila

L'shana Tova Tikatevu

May you be inscribed in the book of life  
for a good and sweet year.



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Submit entries in person or via email.

Pictures and ads should be submitted in .jpg format

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**Rabbi Justin David**

During my vacation this summer, I heard an absolutely masterful jazz pianist. She played brilliantly, displayed a deep knowledge of the music, and led her quartet with an understated but steady hand. Her example inspired me to consider the ways in which I am always trying to grow as a person and as a rabbi, perhaps to approach a similar level of mastery in different ways.

But in Jewish tradition, mastery is always a moving target. In Pirke Avot, a collection of Talmudic wisdom from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Century, the great sage Ben Bag Bag teaches, "Turn it over, turn it over, for all is in it." Instead of achieving a kind of encompassing knowledge of Torah and its wisdom, we are charged to continually challenge ourselves to refine and deepen our understanding and engagement.

These thoughts are especially on my mind at this time of year as we enter the month of Elul in anticipation of Rosh Hashanah. Traditionally, this is a time of personal reflection and taking stock, one that I experience as serious, but also joyful. In particular, I have in mind the notion of Rosh Hashanah as "Hayom harat olam," "the day of the birth of the universe," as expressed in the Musaf service. I think of this idea in at least two ways. In one sense, we evoke the unfathomable grandeur of the first moment of creation and are challenged to consider our role within it. In another, each day is itself a renewed creation of our world, and so we are always reminded of the ways in which we may renew our commitments to each other, our spiritual lives, and the understanding of the deep and universal wisdom of Torah.

And so, at this time of year, I find myself asking how I may pay closer attention to a variety of relationships in my life - both those that are close as well as those that are more casual but also demand my attention to kindness. I assess how I may engage myself more passionately in the causes that seek to bring a bit of healing to this world. And I seek out areas of study and spiritual practice that will push me beyond the limits of my knowledge and experience.

Inside the pages of this Kehila, you will find notices that demonstrate the beginning of a vibrant year for our community - classes, special Shabbat services, Slichot, a special Shabbat with Shoshana Brown, our new High Holiday Hazzan. These will all be warm and engaging experiences. But more than that, they are vehicles through which we can begin that process of introspection that supports our strivings toward greater wholeness, wisdom and connection.

As we open our eyes to a new year, I will say that I look forward to deepening my relationships at CBI, finding ways to engage more vigorously, and continuing to learn from each of you. With that in mind, please feel free to contact me so that we can meet and talk - about what struggles and triumphs are taking place in your life, about how you might want to deepen your involvement in Judaism and Jewish community, or just to reconnect. I would greatly welcome the opportunity.

Wishing everyone a meaningful season of reflection and renewal,

Rabbi Justin David



**Ben Cuperman**  
Executive Director

Another month has gone and I can hear the sounds of the Shofar and Kol Nidre in the distance. The High Holy Days are near and much information has been included in this edition of Kehila to help you prepare. Our sincere Yasher Koach to the hard working committee for putting our newsletter together and getting it to your homes on time.

By now, you may have noticed the new look in the sanctuary. The carpets on the Bimah have been replaced soon to be followed with the complete addition of modern and attractive chairs with a beautiful pattern that will replace the wooden pews that have served us so well for such a long time. The tile floor will also be replaced with modern cork flooring.

On a note of trying to improve, you will discover as you read the article by the kitchen committee that Kiddush operations items that I talked about last month have been addressed. The committee worked very hard in formulating the new policies that have been put in place. The kashrut in the kitchen as well as the kiddush funding has been addressed. The kitchen will be open under supervision and our new kitchen corps will reduce our payroll costs to ensure future funded kiddushes. These are positive steps for CBI.

As the summer winds down, I am looking forward to the flurry of activity I have been told about. I have much to learn about this community and I thank you for your patience and understanding as Bianca and I continue to settle in the Happy Valley. We are also continuing to enjoy the warm weather for as long as we can....

L' Shalom

Ben

## INTERESTED IN SPONSORING A KIDDUSH AT CBI?

Consider sponsoring a Kiddush to honor a simcha, a yahrzeit or "just because!"

Contact Ben Cuperman, Executive Director for more information on how to sponsor a Kiddush at (413) 584-3592 ext 201 or email [cbidirector@verizon.net](mailto:cbidirector@verizon.net)

Thank you for helping support the special time we spend together enjoying the sweetness of Shabbat!

## HELP NEEDED FOR...

### SHABBAT & HIGH HOLIDAYS CHILDCARE

Experience Preferred

Contact Amy Wolpin,  
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[wolpin.amy@gmail.com](mailto:wolpin.amy@gmail.com)



**Ellen Kaufman**

President

## A Vision for the Coming Year

Dear Fellow Congregants:

At last evening's Board meeting, the first meeting of this new Board, we spent some time with introductions. I asked each Board member to introduce themselves and to share their goals for the year serving on the Board. Jane Trigere suggested that I go first to demonstrate; and I found myself flummoxed. Having prepared for the meeting by collecting necessary documents, preparing the agenda, going over minutes, etc, I myself hadn't taken the opportunity to step back and contemplate the bigger picture.

So having the luxury of time and a blank page, I'd like to try again. In my August Kehila article I expressed the following three goals for the coming year: to increase congregational input, to increase collaboration among Jewish institutions in the Valley, and to develop Board leadership ensuring a smooth transition of officers from year to year.

To address the first goal we are planning **four congregational meetings** this year, the first scheduled for Sunday evening October 23 from 7:00-9:00pm. At this meeting we plan to go over two topics from the survey: membership demographics and governance. We will also discuss one or two more topics as time permits based on requests from congregants, which you're all invited to submit to our Executive Director, Ben Cuperman. We will continue to go over the survey at the following meetings as well as taking one or two topics from the congregation.

We are addressing the second goal by our work with the Jewish Federation in their "**Try a Synagogue**" initiative. Over the last several months leaders from CBI, Beit Ahavah, JCA, and Sons of Zion have been meeting to work on a campaign to encourage unaffiliated Jewish families to join a synagogue in the Upper Valley. As part of this campaign, tickets to High Holy Days services at all of the shuls will be offered to families to encourage them to come and experience each of the respective shuls. As an outgrowth of these discussions, all of the leaders of the shuls agreed that we would like to do more joint programming, to encourage our membership to get out of our 'silos' and socialize with the other Jewish communities.

The current officers are addressing the third goal by trying to actively recruit members who are interested in playing a leadership role here at CBI. If you are interested in serving in that way, please contact me.

If I may be permitted a fourth goal which is nearest to my heart, it is to increase participation here at CBI in caring for both our own community and for the wider community. By working with the **Caring Communities Committee** that was conceived last year as a result of discussions at a Board retreat, I hope that we can create a dedicated group of people who want to help attend to our congregants who need a meal or help with transportation or just need a visit. I also hope to reactivate our **Tikkun Olam** initiatives so that we can tend more effectively to the wider community. This type of work feels to me to be the heart and soul of our tradition—to tend to others. The great mystery being that when we tend to others, we're also tending to our own hearts.

B'shalom and wishes for a sweet and happy New Year,

*Ellen*

Ellen Kaufman  
President, Board of Directors

**Welcome, Rabbi Charni Flame Selch!!**



**Rabbi Charni Flame Selch**  
Interim Education Director

As we approach the month of Elul and the holiday season, it is a time of renewal, a time of fresh starts. For me, this is perfect timing. Besides moving cross country, and starting a new position here at CBI, I am meeting new people, getting acquainted with a new community and reconnecting with a number of projects for which I haven't had time in awhile. I have learned a lot about the CBI community by simply listening to the questions people have asked me. Rabbi Moses Alshakar (1466-1552) said, 'A wise man's question is half the answer.' I thought it would be fun to address some of these questions here as a sort of FAQ (frequently *answered* questions). If you have more questions which haven't been answered here, please let me know.

Rabbi David and I have known each other for a number of years and together participated in the STAR PEER rabbinic leadership program.

We have an amazing group of teachers this year. Almost all of the Religious School teachers will be new to CBI this year. They all have wonderful backgrounds, both in education and in Jewish knowledge. Some bring more life experience and others bring a youthful energy, but they all are enthusiastic about being part of the CBI community and working in our school.

I'm excited to be here, not just at CBI but also in Massachusetts. My husband, Steven Rudnick, and I have been hoping to get back to Massachusetts for a couple of years, and this was the perfect opportunity.

The correct email for me is [cbieducation@verizon.net](mailto:cbieducation@verizon.net)

Some of our classes will continue to be combined classes this year. This allows us more flexibility in being able to meet the educational needs of our students. It means more coordination of curriculum and it means that our teachers need to be talented in classroom management as well as the topic material, but I am confident that our teachers have what it takes.

You can call me Rabbi Selch or Charni. I prefer Rabbi Selch over Rabbi Charni.

Registration is still going on. If you haven't registered yet- please do. If you have questions or concerns, please let me know.

School starts Sunday, September 11.

There will be special holiday programming on both days of *Rosh Hashanah* and on *Yom Kippur*. Our session leaders are looking forward to making the holidays meaningful for all ages. More information is available in another place in the Kehila.

In conclusion, I'd like to wish everyone a *Shanah Tovah*, a good year. May we all have a happy, healthy year, full of rich successes and new experiences.

**BAR MITZVAH**  
**Zev Bromberg Seltzer**  
**SEPTEMBER 3, 2011**

My name is Zev Bromberg Seltzer. I am thirteen, and I live near the synagogue with my three sisters and my parents.

I am going into 8th Grade at Heritage Academy--a Jewish Day School in Longmeadow. I attended LGA Schechter from Kindergarten until I graduated after 6th grade.

I love to Skateboard, draw, play videos and create programs on the computer.

I just got back to Northampton after spending the summer with my grandparents in Orlando attending camps. I am really excited for my Bar Mitzvah weekend, which is all being held in a hotel in Enfield CT, since most of our family does not travel on Shabbat. We will spend Shabbat together with family and friends. I will have an aliyah at CBI in the fall to celebrate with the synagogue community. I have been studying with Rabbi Eddie Feld and also with my parents.

My Bar Mitzvah Chesed Project has two parts. I will be doing UMass Hillel's Ride to Provide for the fourth time. I will be asking for sponsorship and recruiting friends to join me. I will also collect books and volunteer at Reader to Reader.

Son of Deborah Bromberg Seltzer  
and  
Rabbi Bruce Bromberg Seltzer

## New Beginnings as the New Year Approaches



**Wendy Stein**  
 Director, Gan Keshet  
 Jewish Community  
 Preschool of the Pioneer  
 Valley

Can you pay attention and focus? Are you curious and open to new experiences? Do you know how to share, negotiate, and resolve conflict? According to NPR, preschool is where you got those skills!

As we prepare our classrooms for another school year, we strive to create an environment that will provide an opportunity for children to explore, question and develop an authentic voice. Our goal is to ignite each child's passion while providing skills that will enable the children to learn, and become independent. Through our nurturing environment, we introduce and connect our children's natural interest to the Jewish community. We like to think of the environment as the third teacher, with the power to provoke curiosity, learning, and interaction. Parent and community involvement

contributes to our goal. We look forward to building on this partnership.

Speaking of partnerships. We are excited about our new collaboration with Lander-Grinspoon Academy and the benefits of joint ownership. This year Kitty Marshall (art) and Aharon Skoglund (movement/music) will work with our children. This is a wonderful enhancement of what we provide in our classrooms. Our program will now be offering an extended day option from 3:00 to 5:15 p.m. We believe both additions will enrich our preschool, and we would appreciate your sharing the news with any family you might suspect is looking for a quality program.

Summer has been full and renewing, and we are pleased at this time to announce that we will start off the year once again with an excellent team!

We look forward to welcoming and to welcoming back our families!

Our Parent Back to School Night is scheduled for Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup> and our Parent & Child Play Date is scheduled this year for Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>. Please note that our school calendar can be viewed on Gan Keshet's link to CBI's web site. School begins on Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> for the Chamaniot class, and Parparim children will join in as scheduled, on either the 31<sup>st</sup> or the 1<sup>st</sup>. In addition to forming new relationships, and acclimating to their preschool routines, both classes will be engaged in activities and discussion that will support and build on our children's understanding of the upcoming holidays.

We hope the transition to a new season (and a new year) enriches everyone.

L'Shana Tova, Wendy & Staff

# Preparing for the High Holy Days

with Hazzan Shoshana Brown

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**  
**12:15 pm (During Kiddush)**

Please join us as our new High Holiday Hazzan, Shoshana Brown, prepares us for the Days of Awe by sharing High Holiday melodies and styles of prayer both traditional and contemporary. The prayers for the High Holidays reflect the diverse sensibilities of the Jewish people over time, and

Hazzan Brown has developed unique expertise in exploring the creative range of Jewish prayer.



Hazzan Shoshana Brown grew up on the Chesapeake Bay in Hampton, VA and attended Smith College. She pursued graduate study in Midrash at the Jewish Theological Seminary, receiving an MPhil in 1994. She took an unplanned turn into Jewish music & prayer, receiving her cantorial ordination from Rabbi Zalman Schachter-Shalomi and the Alliance for Jewish Renewal in 2011. She has served as a cantor at a Reconstructionist synagogue on Long Island and as guest High Holiday Hazzan for Conservative congregations. Shoshana is deeply rooted in traditional Jewish prayer as well as world folk music and aspires to help make CBI's services for Yamim Noraim rich, uplifting, and accessible for all to sing along.

**A CD of melodies for the High Holidays, prepared by Hazzan Shoshana Brown, will be available after Shabbat to all CBI members who would like a copy.**

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

# High Holy Days 2011

## Service Schedule

Slichot	Saturday, September 24	CBI/Beit Ahavah/JCA (to be held at Beit Ahavah in Florence) See page 17 for event info	8:30 pm
Erev Rosh Hashanah	Wednesday, September 28	Evening Services	7:30 pm
Rosh Hashanah	Thursday, September 29	Morning Services	8:30 am
		Tashlich at Mill River	4:00 pm
		Mincha & Ma'ariv	6:00 pm
Rosh Hashanah	Friday, September 30	Morning Services	8:30 am
Shabbat Shuvah	Saturday, October 1	Morning Services	9:30 am
Kever Avot	Sunday, October 2	Cemetery Service	11:00 am
Kol Nidre	Friday, October 7	Evening Service	6:15 pm
Yom Kippur	Saturday, October 8	Morning Services with Yizkor	9:00 am
		Mincha & Ne'ila	5:00 pm
Sukkot	Thursday, October 13	Morning Services	9:30 am
Sukkot	Friday, October 14	Morning Service	9:30 am
Shemini Atzeret	Thursday, October 20	Morning Services with Yizkor	9:30 am
Erev Simchat Torah	Thursday, October 20	Evening Service	6:30 pm
Simchat Torah	Friday, October 21	Morning Services	9:30 am

THE HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE  
[www.cbinorthampton.org](http://www.cbinorthampton.org)

# High Holy Days 2011

## Family & Teen Programs

- ROSH HASHANAH  
DAY 1**
- ◆ YOUNG CHILDREN (UP TO 6) WITH ADULT  
10:00 am - 11:00 am: Holiday Service (CBI Library)
  - ◆ FAMILY MINYAN  
11:00 am - Noon: Creative Interactive Service (LGA\*)
  - ◆ TEENS  
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm: Discussion in the CBI Library
- THURSDAY  
SEPTEMBER 29**
- TASHLICH FOR CBI COMMUNITY IS AT THE MILL RIVER AT 4:00 PM
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- ROSH HASHANAH  
DAY 2**
- ◆ YOUNG CHILDREN (UP TO 6) WITH ADULT  
10:00 am - 11:00 am: Holiday Service (LGA classroom)
  - ◆ JUNIOR CONGREGATION  
11:00 am - 12:00 pm: 1st - 3rd Grade (CBI Classroom)
- FRIDAY  
SEPTEMBER 30**
- ALL STUDENTS WILL THEN GO TO THE SANCTUARY TO HEAR THE SHOFAR AND MEET THEIR FAMILIES*
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- YOM KIPPUR**
- ◆ YOUNG CHILDREN (UP TO 6) WITH ADULT  
10:00 am - 11:00 am: Holiday Service (CBI Library)
  - ◆ FAMILY MINYAN  
11:00 am - Noon: Creative Interactive Service (LGA\*)
  - ◆ TEENS  
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm: Discussion in the CBI Library
- SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 8**
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For more information on Family and Teen Programs, please check our website at [www.cbinorthampton.org](http://www.cbinorthampton.org) or contact

**Rabbi Charni Selch, Education Director**  
**cbieducation@verizon.net or 584-3593, ext. 203**

\* (LGA is the Lander Grinspoon Academy across the CBI parking lot)

# High Holy Days 2011 Childcare Registration

CBI is pleased to offer childcare for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services.  
Childcare is available for children between 6 months and 6 years old

Rosh Hashanah (Day 1)	September 29	9:30 am - 2:00 pm
Rosh Hashanah (Day 2)	September 30	9:30 am - 2:00 pm
Kol Nidre	October 7	6:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Yom Kippur	October 8	9:30 am - 2:30 pm
		5:30 pm - end of service

A mid-morning, substantial snack will be provided. If your child is staying past lunchtime, an additional snack will be offered.

In order to plan for adequate staffing and age-appropriate curriculum, we ask that you register your children by **FRIDAY, September 19**. Please remember that for planning and safety purposes, we are unable to accommodate drop-ins. Safety laws limit our numbers, so we will accept registrations on a first come, first served basis. Return your registration form below to the synagogue office or mail it to CBI, Attention: High Holiday Childcare, Congregation B'nai Israel, 253 Prospect St., Northampton, MA 01060

We aim to make childcare as affordable and accessible as possible. At the same time, quality childcare providers cost money! We are asking you to pay \$10-20 per family, per session on a sliding fee scale, based on your finances, the number of your children in the session, and the number of hours you will use childcare. If you can pay even more, please do. While the synagogue budget provides a portion of the crucial financial support for childcare, we must raise additional funds necessary to provide quality child care throughout the year. Please support this important service if you can. If the required fee poses a barrier to your family, please contact the CBI office for further information.

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## HIGH HOLIDAY CHILDCARE REGISTRATION FORM

Please submit your form by **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19** (and sooner is even better!)

Parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of children listed on this form: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check when to reserve a spot for the child(ren) listed below:

Rosh Hashanah (Day 1) \_\_\_\_\_ Rosh Hashanah (Day 2) \_\_\_\_\_ Kol Nidre \_\_\_\_\_  
 Yom Kippur am \_\_\_\_\_ Yom Kippur pm \_\_\_\_\_

Names of child(ren) and ages: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Cost per family per session: \$10-20 on a sliding fee scale

Additional donation to support Shabbat Childcare throughout the year: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a check for: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (payable to CBI with Childcare in the memo line)

# High Holy Days 2011 Guest Registration

All are welcome to attend the 2011 High Holiday Services on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur at CBI. We do not ask for physical tickets, but we hope you will take this special opportunity to support the work of CBI. Please consider the following minimum suggested contributions:

Visiting parents and adult children of CBI members: \$36 each	Number of guests: _____
Other visitors from out-of-town: \$72 each	Number of guests: _____
Non-member residents of the Pioneer Valley: \$120 each	Number of guests: _____
Students are free	Number of guests: _____

## PLEASE REGISTER ALL GUESTS

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Make check out to CBI with HH Guest in memo line)

Return this form and donation to  
CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL  
253 PROSPECT STREET, NORTHAMPTON, MA 01060

THE HIGH HOLIDAY GUEST REGISTRATION IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE  
[www.cbinorthampton.org](http://www.cbinorthampton.org)

# High Holy Days 2011 Honors Registration

The High Holidays are a sacred and joyful part of our Jewish calendar. One part of the holiday observance is having many members of the congregation participate in some way in the conduct of the prayer services. We hope that YOU will volunteer to participate (accept an honor).

**Please include the following information and respond by SEPTEMBER 19.**

Email to: [cbiritual@verizon.net](mailto:cbiritual@verizon.net) or return to the CBI Office

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

2. On which day would you like an honor?

Rosh Hashanah Day 1

Rosh Hashanah Day 2 (*On the second day of Rosh Hashanah, we especially encourage people between the ages of 13 and 20 to volunteer for an honor. Parents - you are encouraged to raise this mitzvah opportunity with your son or daughter*)

Kol Nidre

Yom Kippur AM

Yom Kippur PM

Other (please specify)

3. What time of day will work best for you?

RH1 before 10:30 am  RH1 after 10:30 am

RH2 before 10:30 am  RH2 after 10:30 am

Yom Kippur Kol Nidre

Yom Kippur Before 10:30 am  Yom Kippur After 10:30 am

Other (please specify)

4. What type of honor would you like?

Opening the Ark  Carrying the Torah Scroll

Aliyah during Torah reading  Other (please specify)



THANK YOU! ~ CBI RITUAL COMMITTEE

# Month of September

<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> LABOR DAY CBI OFFICE CLOSED	<b>6</b> 12:15–1:15 pm: TUESDAY TEXT STUDY With Rabbi David at CBI All Welcome.	<b>7</b>
<b>11</b> 9:30 am RELIGIOUS SCHOOL BEGINS	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 12:15–1:15 pm: TUESDAY TEXT STUDY With Rabbi David at CBI All Welcome.	<b>14</b>
<b>18</b> 9:15 AM: DAVENING WITH THE MEN'S CLUB 9:45 AM: CHEVREI MITZ- VOT MEN'S CLUB MEET- ING (See page 20 for more info)	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 12:15–1:15 pm: TUESDAY TEXT STUDY With Rabbi David at CBI All Welcome.	<b>21</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 12:15–1:15 pm: TUESDAY TEXT STUDY With Rabbi David at CBI All Welcome.	<b>28</b> EREV ROSH HASHANAH For times see pages 9 6:21 PM: Candle Lighting

<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>
<p><b>1</b> 8:00 am: LECHA DUMIYAH TEHILLA MEDITATION</p>	<p><b>2</b> 6:00 PM: KABBALAT SHABBBAT EVENING SERVICE 7:06 PM: SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING</p>	<p><b>3</b> 9:30 AM: SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY <i>Parashat Shoftim</i> 8:06 PM: SHABBAT ENDS</p>
<p><b>8</b> 8:00 am: LECHA DUMIYAH TEHILLA MEDITATION</p>	<p><b>9</b> 6:00 PM: SHIRA CHADASHA KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE (See page 17 for more info) 6:54 PM: SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING</p>	<p><b>10</b> 9:30 AM: SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY <i>Parashat Ki Teitzeti</i> 11:00 AM: TOT SHABBAT WITH PEGGY WALKER  7:53 PM: SHABBAT ENDS</p>
<p><b>15</b> 8:00 am: LECHA DUMIYAH TEHILLA MEDITATION</p>	<p><b>16</b> 6:00 PM: KABBALAT SHABBBAT EVENING SERVICE 6:42 PM: SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING</p>	<p><b>17</b> 9:30 AM: SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY <i>Parashat Ki Tavo</i> 12:15 PM: PREPARING FOR THE HIGH HOLIDAYS <i>with Hazzan Shoshana Brown</i> (see page 8 for more info) 11 AM SHABBAT FAMILY MINYAN 7:40 PM: SHABBAT ENDS</p>
<p><b>22</b> 8:00 am: LECHA DUMIYAH TEHILLA MEDITATION</p>	<p><b>23</b> 6:00 PM: KABBALAT SHABBBAT EVENING SERVICE 6:30 PM: SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING</p>	<p><b>24</b> 9:30 AM: SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY <i>Parashat Nitzavim-Vayelech</i> 11 AM SHABBAT SING 7:27 PM: SHABBAT ENDS 8:30 PM: SLICHOT EVENT AT BEITAHAVAH, FLORENCE (See page 17 for more info)</p>
<p><b>29</b> CBI OFFICE CLOSED ROSH HASHANAH DAY 1 For programming info, see pages 10 7:18 PM: CANDLE LIGHTING</p>	<p><b>30</b> CBI OFFICE CLOSED ROSH HASHANAH DAY 2 For programming info, see pages 10 6:00 PM: KABBALAT SHABBBAT EVENING SERVICE 6:17 PM: SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 1</b> 9:30 AM: SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY <i>Parashat Shoftim</i>  7:15 PM: SHABBAT ENDS</p>

# Shabbat Family Services

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## About our monthly Shabbat Services

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### TOT SHABBAT

Come join us for a lively Saturday morning program as children and their families celebrate the beautiful aspects of Shabbat through songs, stories, dance and creative movement. (For 3 to 5 year olds)

THIS MONTH HELD ON: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10  
NEXT MONTH: OCTOBER 1

### SHABBAT FAMILY MINYAN

A creative interactive service featuring prayers, songs and stories. (For school-aged children, their parents and the community)

THIS MONTH HELD ON: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17  
NEXT MONTH: OCTOBER 8

### SHABBAT SING

A celebration of Shabbat through song. All are welcome to join in singing a wide array of Jewish songs, from child-friendly melodies to complicated rounds. (For children and adults)

THIS MONTH HELD ON: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24  
NEXT MONTH: OCTOBER 22

### JUNIOR CONGREGATION SESSION

An opportunity for children to celebrate Shabbat through prayer, songs, stories in an age-appropriate context with other friends. (For Grades K-2 and 3-6)

PLEASE NOTE JUNIOR CONGREGATION WILL NOT BE HELD IN SEPTEMBER, BUT WILL RESUME SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

### LEV CHADASH (NEW HEART) MINYAN

Join us for an alternative Shabbat service that will follow the deep structure of the Siddur, inviting us - through song and silence, conversation and meditation - to cultivate awareness and expression of gratitude, praise, yearning, truth, and connection to our rich, Jewish tradition. We will experience the entire flow of a morning Shabbat service (including Torah reading and teaching/discussion), but with scaled-down liturgy. Come with the hope of renewing your heart and your connection to the Source of Life.

PLEASE NOTE LEV CHADASH (NEW HEART) MINYAN IS NOT HELD IN SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER, BUT WILL RESUME NOVEMBER 19

# High Holy Days 2011

## Slichot – Three Communities, One Service

Please join us as we join with Beit Ahavah and the Jewish Community of Amherst for an evening of prayer, song and meditation to mark Slichot. Traditionally, Slichot is a spiritual preparation for the teshuvah, the turning inward, toward each other, and to God, that is central to the High Holidays. In this service, led by Rabbis Justin David, Riqi Kosovske and Benjamin Weiner, we will thoughtfully combine the creative range of traditional and contemporary practice for an evening that we hope will draw us more deeply into the Days of Awe.

**Saturday, September 24, 8:30 pm**

At Beit Ahavah  
130 Pine Street  
(inside the Florence Congregational Church)  
Florence, MA

**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**



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**Orders Due By**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**  
**PLEASE—NO EXCEPTIONS**



# CALENDAR

## Interested in hosting A CBI SALON?

Host a salon at your home! Choose a day that works for you and the Rabbi

This is an exciting opportunity to study Torah with Rabbi Justin David in the comfort of a CBI member's home, deepening connections through meaningful learning and conversation. If you would like to schedule a CBI SALON in your home, please be in touch with Rabbi David at [cbirabbi@verizon.net](mailto:cbirabbi@verizon.net) or call (413)584-3593, ext. 208.

We look forward to seeing you.

## Shira Chadasha Kabbalat Shabbat

Join us on

**Friday, September 9 at 6:00 pm**

for a very special, monthly Kabbalat Shabbat Service. Led by Rabbi Justin David with David Weidenfeld on guitar!

We'll enjoy a beautiful and spirited celebration of Shabbat together. All are welcome.  
Held in the CBI Library.

"Intermediate Hebrew for Prayer and Torah"  
Sunday mornings at 10-11:30, beginning Sept. 11.  
Please speak to Amelia if you are interested.  
([ameliaender@yahoo.com](mailto:ameliaender@yahoo.com), or 413-218-5150)

## FALL 2011 HEBREW COURSES

### BEGINNING PRAYERBOOK HEBREW

This course is appropriate for students who can "sound out" Hebrew words but do not know what they mean. We will study frequently used vocabulary and basic Hebrew grammar to gain understanding of the language and ideas in our prayers.

Text: Prayerbook Hebrew, the Easy Way by Joseph Anderson

Time: Tuesdays 5:30-6:30 p.m.

### ADVANCED BEGINNING MODERN HEBREW

This course is taught mostly "ivrit b'Ivrit". It is intended for people who know some Hebrew and want to increase their vocabulary and seek an opportunity to practice speaking the language.

Text: Ivrit min Ha'hatchalah (Hebrew From Scratch)

Time: Tuesdays 6:45-7:45 p.m.

### HEBREW LITERACY

In this introductory course students will learn to recognize and decipher the Hebrew Alphabet and vowels, "sound out" words, as well as acquire some basic vocabulary of Jewish life and ritual.

Text: Learn Hebrew Today; Alef-Bet for Adults by Paul Michael Yedwab

Time: Tuesdays 8:00-9:00 p.m.

**Dates:** 10 sessions, beginning September 13 and ending November 29  
(No sessions October 4 and November 1)

**Fee:** \$100 per course plus the cost of the text

The instructor for these classes is Henia Lewin. For more information or to sign up, please contact Henia at 253-8836 or [HennyLewin1@verizon.net](mailto:HennyLewin1@verizon.net).

# Sisterhood Fall Events, 2011

## JUDAICA SHOP HIGH HOLIDAY SALE September 11, 9:00-12:00

Come, shop, schmooze and nosh with Sisterhood. Convenient hours for Hebrew school parents. LGA parents welcome! If you are interested in helping with the sale, contact Joan Schaffer, [joanjrs@comcast.net](mailto:joanjrs@comcast.net). Share Your Voice.

## FALL SISTERHOOD BRUNCH SEPTEMBER 18, 9:30 AM

at the home of Jane Herzenberg (17 Woodlawn Ave., Northampton)  
If you would like to bring some food to share please sign up at  
[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/cbisisterhood](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/cbisisterhood).

## SISTERHOOD STUDY WITH RABBI DAVID WEDNESDAY, OCT 5TH, 7:30 AT CBI

Topic: TBA. More information to come.

## RAYS OF HOPE WALK SUNDAY, OCT 23, 2011

Fundraiser for breast cancer research and local services. If you would like to join our walking team, contact Joan Schaffer, [joanjrs@comcast.net](mailto:joanjrs@comcast.net).



## Religious School Dates, Sept. & Oct.

### SEPTEMBER 11

FIRST DAY OF CLASSES,  
Assembly 9:45 am followed by Parent Meeting

### SEPTEMBER 29 & 30

Rosh Hashanah Family Programs

### OCTOBER 8

Yom Kippur Family Programs

### OCTOBER 16

Family Education Program

### OCTOBER 20

Simchat Torah Family Program for whole school &



# CALENDAR

# Club Gatherings

## Hevrei Mitzvot

### Men's Club

The next meeting of the Men's Club the Hevrei Mitzvot will be

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 18TH  
AT 9:45 AT LGA**

(preceded by intense davening at CBI beginning at 9:15 am)

The usual repast of lox bagels cream cheese and herring with all the embellishments will be served. This is an opportunity to make new friends, discuss tzedakah activities and build our community. Aryeh Wineman will be talking about "The Weather as a Midrash on the Holy days of Tishri."

Shalom,  
Kaufmann Schoen,  
mocher sefarim



## Valley Jewish Seniors

The next meeting of Valley Jewish Seniors will be

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12TH  
AT 12:30 AT THE CBI LIBRARY  
NOTE: NO SEPTEMBER MEETING**

A wonderful lunch will be prepared by Diane Todrin and her superb crew.

David Arfa, a maggid, is returning to tell us stories about the Days of Awe and renewal.

Bring a friend!  
Look forward to seeing you.

If you need a ride, please call the CBI office at (413) 584-3593.



## Sisterhood Book Club

### SEPTEMBER MEETING

Book: *Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*  
by Rebecca Skloot

Date: Monday, Sept. 19, 7:30pm

Location: Home of Phyllis Eckstein  
408 Westhampton Road, Florence  
(413) 584-7022

### OCTOBER MEETING

Book: *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett

Date: Monday, October 17

All CBI women are welcome to join us for one meeting or many. Please call if you need directions or a ride.

### This Year's titles:

November 21:  
*The Imperfectionists*  
by Tom Rachman;

December 19:  
*Half Broke Horses*  
by Jeannette Walls;

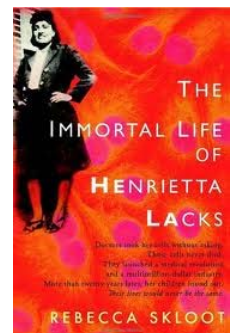
January 23:  
*All Other Nights*  
by Dara Horn;

February 27:  
*Birds Without Wings*  
by Louis de Bernieres;

March 19:  
*Major Pettigrew's Last Stand*  
by Helen Simonson;

April 23: *Tender is the Night*  
by F. Scott Fitzgerald;

May 21: *The Paris Wife*  
by Paula McLain.



# Minutes for June 16, 2011

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## The meeting began at 7:40 pm.

Present were Ellen Kaufman (President), Dorothy Nemetz, Lauren Weinsier, Henry Simpkin, Hanneli de Vries, Jeff Caplan, Bruce Finke, Jim Sagalyn, David Cohen, Lois Dubin, Jane Trigrere, Amy Wolpin, Janet Chevan, Lou Davis, Gillian Kendall. Rabbi Justin David, Ben Cuperman and Al Chevan attended as guests.

The meeting began with the Rabbi's d'var Torah. Rabbi Justin David has spoken with the new Hazzan, Shoshana Brown, with Rabbi Charni Selch (our new interim education director) and Ben Cuperman (our new executive director). Rabbi David sees this as a time for reflection, a time to learn from the past, and also a time for community building.

The May minutes were approved as amended.

The CBI email poll regarding Sanctuary Renovation (included in the binder for minutes) was discussed. The poll was to determine whether or not the Board wanted to proceed with the original vote to renovate the Sanctuary in two stages, or to complete the renovations as a whole this summer (at a lower overall cost). There were 13 yeas and one dissenting vote (nay).

Ellen Kaufman welcomed Ben Cuperman to the Board meeting and to Congregation B'nai Israel.

The CBI Director's Report (Ben Cuperman):

Eight days into his tenure as Director, Ben Cuperman states that he has been interviewing present and future Board members and will continue to do so, as well as to meet with committees and work with the office staff. Conclusions and recommendations will be made public in about a month. He noted that the computers are out of date. He also noted that there are many activities that CBI should be proud of – and that when these things are more publicized, the membership may grow (as it probably will as the High Holy Days approach). There have been two membership resignations, and there are, as of today, 379 families in CBI.

## NEW BUSINESS

Dorothy Nemetz moved to approve the Employment Agreement to be made with Wendy Stein regarding Gan Keshet. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Ellen Kaufman suggested that the Board briefly discuss the proposed amendment to the by-laws, with the understanding that the Board could not act on this amendment other than by going to the annual meeting and voting as individuals.

## Proposed amendment to the By-Laws:

Article 4, Section 1 of the Current By-Laws reads:  
“Only Jewish persons are eligible for membership, and only those from the age of eighteen (18) years are eligible for Full membership.”

## The proposed change:

“Only Jewish persons, **including all Jews by choice who have been converted by an ordained Rabbi**, are eligible for membership, and only those from the age of eighteen (18) years are eligible for Full membership.”

We will vote on the proposed amendment at the Annual Meeting, which has been scheduled for June 28 at 7:30pm. Meanwhile, at this June 16<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, vigorous discussion ensued.

Ellen Kaufman voiced the idea of honoring Shlomo Barnoon by taking him to Tanglewood with interested members of CBI. The bus there and back is quoted at \$500. Tickets would be \$30. Dorothy Nemetz moved that Congregation B'nai Israel pay for the bus. This motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Ellen Kaufman announced that she is creating an ad hoc committee to study the feasibility of sharing human resources with LGA. The CBI-LGA ad hoc committee might, for example, suggest that one person do curriculum development for the religious schools of LGA and CBI. President Kaufman charged the committee to come back to the October meeting with a report and suggestions.

Amy Wolpin stated for the Education Committee that the committee was looking for two or three parents of LGA children to join up.

## OLD BUSINESS

Amy Wolpin, Education Director, announced that Rabbi Charni Selch will officially begin her job July 13<sup>th</sup>.

Sanctuary renovation approval: since the email poll about completing renovations in the summer, the anticipated expenses have gone up. Dorothy Nemetz moved that the Sanctuary renovation proceed in one stage this summer at the anticipated cost of \$60,000. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Dorothy Nemetz informed the Board that the amount of \$24,850 is already in hand in the form of existing funds and pledges.


## Committee Reports

Lauren Weinsier, Chair of the Membership Committee, gave a full report on the activities of the Committee this year (see the Membership Committee report for the Annual Meeting).

President Ellen Kaufman thanked the Board members for their service and bid a fond farewell to those leaving the Board. The meeting adjourned at 9:20pm for refreshments, goodbyes and general schmoozing.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gillian Kendall

# Kitchen Committee News



The newly formed Kitchen Committee was given two primary tasks: one relates to the use of the kitchen, the other to the idea of continuing the tradition of kiddushes. The Committee has made progress on both fronts with the valuable input and support of our Executive Director, Ben Cuperman.

First, we certainly want to make sure the kitchen is available to members and CBI groups who wish to use it. We also want to ensure that any member of our congregation will feel comfortable eating food that is served in the synagogue knowing that our kitchen is operated in accordance with the guidelines established by the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism.

Some of you may have noticed that the doors to the kitchen are now locked. While this may strike some as an unwelcoming gesture, we have concluded that keeping the doors locked is the only effective means of assuring that our kashrut policy will be observed. Right now those who wish to use the kitchen will need to contact the Executive Director, but we hope, eventually, to hire a kitchen coordinator. No doubt this new policy will have kinks that will need to be worked out, but with everyone's cooperation and patience, we believe it will be a benefit to the CBI community.

The Committee's second charge was to address Kiddush issue. Funding our wonderful kiddushes has been challenging. There have been desperate email pleas seeking donors and/or sponsors, and while many of you have generously responded to those pleas, we have no system in place to ensure regular kiddushes.

In response to these challenges, the Committee has proposed the following: Sandy Maynard, who wishes to cut back, has graciously agreed to prepare up to two kiddushes a month. Bar and Bat Mitzvah families will be provided with a list of kosher caterers who can be hired to prepare a kiddush. All CBI groups will be approached and encouraged to sponsor one or more kiddushes each year. For the Shabbatot on which we do not have Sandy, a catered simcha or a sponsor, we have formed the *Kiddush Corps*, a group of volunteers who will prepare the kiddush for that Shabbat. We hope to recruit at least 10 members to serve on the Corps. And we have hired someone to clean up, so Corps members would only be responsible for shopping, preparation and setting out the food and drinks. We expect that with enough recruits, each Corps member would only have to be "on" two or three times per year.

If you are interested in joining the *Kiddush Corps* please contact Shelley Steuer at [ss@noholaw.com](mailto:ss@noholaw.com) or 586-1653.

Whether or not you are able to donate your time, we urge you to make regular donations to the Kiddush Fund. Even with this volunteer effort, we have weekly expenses for food, supplies and cleanup help. A modest donation by many will assure that we can continue to have the lovely kiddushes we all enjoy.

The Kitchen Committee

*Debra Bromberg-Seltzer, Bianca Cuperman, Gillian Kendall, Amy Mitrani, Maxine Stein and Shelley Steuer*

## Shelter Sunday on Oct 2nd

Join us for two volunteer opportunities on October 2nd, the annual community drive to provide food and shelter for those in need. Spend an hour or two in a Northampton neighborhood talking to neighbors, collecting donations and leaving off information at homes, OR volunteer to cover a busy collection site with a group, club or class. To sign up, call Wendy at 413 582-9508 or email [volunteer@northamptonsheltersunday.org](mailto:volunteer@northamptonsheltersunday.org). For more information or to offer suggestions, contact Elaine Ulman, 268-7896. Then join the Shelter Sunday Coalition and volunteers in Pulaski Park at 4:00pm on October 2nd for food, music, and the raffle drawing.

# Special News from the Bikur Cholim Committee!

BIKUR CHOLIM, "visiting the sick," in Hebrew, is a term encompassing a wide range of activities performed by an individual or a group to provide comfort and support to people who are ill, homebound, isolated and/or otherwise in distress. Bikur Cholim can include such activities as: visiting patients in a hospital, rehabilitation center or nursing home; visiting people who are restricted to their home because of physical or psychological impairment or social isolation; taking people who are ill or impaired on errands or field trips; providing telephone contact and reassurance to those who are ill or homebound. For those interested, the Committee will offer ongoing training for us to enable us to do this work effectively and with much joy. We are looking for new people to work with us on this mitzvah.

THE ACT OF BIKUR CHOLIM IS A MITZVAH, a moral and spiritual obligation incumbent upon all Jews to perform. The Bible tells us that human beings are created in the image of G-d and instructs us to aspire to be like G-d by emulating G-d's ways. G-d visited Abraham while he was recuperating after being circumcised (Genesis 17:26-18:1). The Talmud (Biblical Commentary) teaches us that "As He visited the sick, so shall you visit the sick..."

BIKUR CHOLIM IS AN ESSENTIAL QUALITY OF GOOD INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS. It reflects the primary Biblical value, "And you shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Leviticus 19:18). By fulfilling this role, we deeply enrich both our lives and the lives of those we visit. When we visit, we attain a spiritual dimension that goes well beyond a simple personal expression of caring and links us with generations past, present and future. Indeed, we are linked not only to the entire Jewish people, but to all humanity, as well, emulating the G-dly attributes of compassion and lovingkindness.

The Talmud makes references to scholars and disciples making visits to the sick. The local Bikur Cholim Society was one of the principle institutions established by Jewish communities, the first one formed at the time of the Middle Ages. Bikur cholim groups continue to exist to this day, in all parts of the world, with people making the commitment to care for one another, and bring the strength of community and connection of Jewish heritage to the bedside.

ביקור חולים  
BIKUR CHOLIM

## WHY IS BIKUR CHOLIM IMPORTANT?

- Because people need to feel connected to the community especially when they are ill or homebound.
- Because bringing the community to the bedside lifts the spirit of those who may feel forgotten.
- Because studies have shown that social contact and support positively influences those needing and receiving comfort.
- Because visiting and caring activities help build community and character.
- Because we are acting in a G-dly way when we visit.

**Bikur Cholim CBI visitors are trying to expand to include more and more ways to be helpful to those in need in our community.** With only seven or so members visiting folks at Cooley Dickinson, we only now are expanding to include visiting homebound and nursing home people. There are so many more ways that we could manifest kindness in our congregation. According to Nancy Flam *"My experience has been that you will get so much joy, meaning and fulfillment from the experience, that you will feel that doing this mitzvah is simply a gift to yourself!"*

"If we perform no kind of deeds, we have no understanding...The greater our good deeds, the greater our understanding." - Chassidic Anthology  
The *Bikur Cholim* Committee needs volunteers to visit patients at Cooley Dickinson Hospital, nursing homes and people that are homebound. **The visits are very brief--15 minutes-- just a chance to say hello and check in with individuals, one day each month at a time most convenient for you.** Our *Bikur Cholim* visitors have been trained to visit Jewish people at Cooley Dickinson Hospital and try to be sensitive to the needs of the people they visit. If you are interested in being visited, or know someone that we should call to ask them if they would like to be visited, please call me, Norbert Goldfield, at (413) 585-5617 or e-mail me at [Norbert@healingdivides.org](mailto:Norbert@healingdivides.org). Over time you will be able to sign on using an online web feature.

It will be my pleasure to talk with you about Bikur Cholim and our strength in numbers will not only enable us to perform more acts of lovingkindness, but will allow us to become a special "community of friends" at CBI with ongoing trainings, for those desiring it, and meaningful gatherings throughout the year.

# Donations

## AESTHETICS FUND

Janet & Albert Chevan

## BENJAMIN-GOLDSMITH

To Seth Goldsmith & Wendy Benjamin, congratulations on the engagement of your daughter Amy & Brian Perry.

From Jim Sagalyn & Jane Herzenberg

## GARDEN FUND

Geri Kleinman

Susan Mosler

## KURIAN KIDDUSH FUND

Noah & Margaret Hopkins

Martha Ackelsberg

Larry Hott

Geri Kleinman & James Katz

Penina & Myron Glazer

Beth A Tabor Lev

To Susan Mosler & Alan Peterfreund, congratulations on your happy occasion. Best wishes and long life.

From Jim Sagalyn & Jane Herzenberg

To Susan Mosler & Alan Peterfreund, Mazal Tov on your marriage. From Shoshana Sokoloff & Jeff Rubin

To Roz Nitkin, our condolences on your brother's passing. We wish you much comfort. From Ron and Cleo

## LEONARD & BERNICE ALBERTS PRESCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

To Lois & Andy Seigel, Mazel Tov to all on the birth of your granddaughter, Caroline Ellen Whalen. From Bill & Carol Jolly

## RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

To Rabbi David, thank you for officiating at our Simcha Bat. From Jane Herzenberg & Jim Sagalyn

To Rabbi Justin David, in appreciation of your thoughtfulness and kindness in our time of sorrow. From the family of the late Harry Dubin

## RABBI'S PRAYER FUND

Susan Sprung

## RITUAL FUND

To Ron and Cleo Ackerman, in appreciation of your kind deeds in our time of sorrow. From the family of the late Harry Dubin

## TIKKUN OLAM FUND

Janet Bowdan

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Joan Schaffer & Alan Berkenwald

Larry Hott

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Paul & Miriam Slater

Martha Ackelsberg

## VALLEY JEWISH SENIORS

Paul & Miriam Slater

## Corrected Donations from the Tribute to Leslie Event

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## BENJAMIN GOLDSMITH FUND

## BIKKUR HOLIM FUND

Donations for this fund are used for gifts from the whole congregation for members of the congregation who are fighting illness. *Checks may be made payable to CBI with Bikkur Holim in the memo line.*

## CEMETERY FUND

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Funds used towards gemilut hasadim, to honor Bar and Bat Mitzvot, and fund worthy endeavors. *Please send donations to CBI.*

## DANIEL & SHIRLEY LEVIN EDUCATION FUND

Money will assist qualified families with Religious School Tuition. *Checks made payable to Levin Education Fund should be mailed to CBI.*

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## ENDOWMENT FUND

Minimum Contribution is \$5.00. A \$600 contribution or more is necessary for a plaque to be affixed in the main lobby. Principle stays intact; interest earned is used to defray general operations of the synagogue. *Please send donations to CBI.*

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## LEONARD AND BERNICE ALBERTS PRESCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

\$5.00 minimum contribution. Fund assists qualified families with Preschool tuition. *Please send donations to CBI with Albert's Fund in the memo line.*

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Money in this fund will go towards the purchase of CBI library books. *Please send donations to CBI.*

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Funds will be used to purchase the new High Holiday Mahzor from the Rabbinical Assembly. Contributions of \$25 for each Mahzor. *Please send donations to CBI with "New Mahzor" in the memo line.*

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Money from this fund will go towards providing quality child care to all who need it (at no charge) during Shabbat services. *Please send donations to CBI.*

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