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New office hours starting July 1st

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Friday – 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

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Rabbi's Office Hours for July & August

July 5th, 26th, Aug. 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

2 – 3 PM

at the JCC pool

Or by appointment

From the Rabbi's Study

The destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 CE is commemorated on the 9th of Av. This catastrophe's profound effect upon Jewish history cannot be summarized by one neat phrase. It affected the very core of our views of peoplehood, God, Torah, the land of Israel, ethics, and so much more.

Here is just one example of a lesson our people had to learn so that we might survive and ultimately thrive in the reality of the world. This story comes from Babylonian Talmud, tractate Bava Batra 60b:

When the second Temple was destroyed, many in Israel became ascetics, committing themselves not to eat meat or to drink wine. Rabbi Joshua approached them and said: "My children, why do you eat no meat nor drink wine?"

They answered: "Shall we eat meat which used to be offered on the altar as a sacrifice, now that the altar has ceased to exist? Shall we drink wine, which used to be poured out as a libation on the altar, now that it is poured no longer?"

He said to them, "In that case, we should stop eating bread, since meal offerings have ceased."

"We will get by on fruit," they answered.

"But we cannot eat fruit, because the offering of the first fruits has ceased."

"We will eat other kinds of fruit [which do not require being offered]."

"But in that case, we ought not to drink water because the pouring of water on the altar [during Sukkot] has ceased." They were silent.

He then said to them, "My children, come and let me advise you. Not to mourn at all is impossible, because of the destruction which has befallen us. But to mourn too much is also impossible, because we are forbidden to impose on the community a decree that the majority will find unbearable."



Tragedies befall us and we find ourselves rejecting life, as did these survivors of the Temple's destruction. This is not the Jewish way. We are to mourn and suffer. We are to be accepted by others in our suffering. We are also called upon to choose life, life in the world as it is, a life of moderation.

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President's Message

***Pray as if everything depended on God;
Act as if everything depended on you.***

At CBHT, we have a vision statement (see below) that defines our core ideology and the future we envision. This Vision Statement will appear every month below the President's Message to continually guide us as we function as an integral part of Jewish life in the Southeast.

It is not only admirable, but it is also important to our congregation and our Jewish community. And so I must ask

- How do we strive to make this happen?
- Aren't we already moving in that direction?
- What more do we need to do?
- What does it take to make our vision statement a reality?

What it takes are creative leaders and members. And we are blessed to have those resources. We have *Rabbi Ratner*, an exemplary rabbi, who provides spiritual, intellectual and humane guidance. We have *Cantor Deb* who provides us with music that both moves and elevates our spirits. Together, our Rabbi and Cantor have given us innovative programs that enrich our Jewishness, our connection to God, our connection to each other, and our connection to the Jewish community at large.

Our temple administrator, *Lea*, is another valuable resource at CBHT. The smooth functioning of our temple owes a great deal to her, far more than my mere mortal words can say. And, of course, there is *Edward* who fine-tunes the operation of our building. Everything is where we need it, when we need it, thanks to him.

Yes, we are blessed having this wonderful staff. But, they cannot do it alone. It takes each of us, as congregants of CBHT, to continue making CBHT a wonderful, friendly and truly Jewish congregation. Again, we have been blessed with volunteers who recognize what it means to be responsible for each other; volunteers ranging from our officers, board members, committee members, and special event volunteers. You are all too numerous to list here, but you are all so important!

If I am making it sound like we have everyone we need, then I am only partially correct. We still need more and we always need new blood with new and innovative ideas to meet our vision statement. So, starting with the next issue of the Menorah, we will highlight one of our committees each month under a new column entitled "Your Committee." It will provide the mission of the committee, its members, its past accomplishments, its future plans, and how you can become a meaningful part of it. This will give you an opportunity to find that committee for which you could volunteer to further enrich the ever-improving future of our temple.

**ACT NOW AS IF EVERYTHING
DEPENDS ON YOU!**

Howard

CONGREGATION BETH HATEPHILA'S VISION STATEMENT

***Adhering to the ideals of Reform Judaism,
become the Southeast's preeminent midsize congregation
for the learning of Jewish traditions, history and Torah
in a spiritual environment that encourages open-mindedness,
a sense of belonging and Tikkun Olam.***



Chai Notes

What a busy season! Those who think that most activity stops at Beth HaTephila during the summer should see what's going on!

Your devoted Cantor is so busy tutoring 10 students for their B'nei Mitzvah and helping all of you to celebrate Shavuot that my normal column will not appear this month.

A big thank you to the *Adult Bat Mitzvah* class for decorating the bima with ferns, flowers and lace for the Festival service of Shavuot. Also, thanks to all who attended and brought an incredible dairy and salad potluck for our lunch together. Next year, plan to attend this wonderful event!

Another "thank-you" to the *Congregational Choir* for their hard work and beautiful addition to worship in our services. If you think you would like to join in the fun, please contact me at the office. No Hebrew required and, according to Rubin, very little talent!

We have been the recipients of a valuable and wonderful gift! **Katie Gershon**, daughter of *Charles Gershon*, has donated the piano given to her by her grandmother. It was moved into our sanctuary on Friday June 17th, and took its place proudly next to our organ. We will from now on have the ability to hear our prayers with accompaniment from either instrument. We are so grateful to the Gershon family for this generous and meaningful gift. Please stop by and see our latest addition; it's a delicate and beautiful contribution to our sanctuary.

Cantor Deb's column will resume in the next Menorah. Happy Summer to all!!

B'Shira,
Cantor Deb





Sisterhood News



Congratulations to the newly elected Sisterhood Board. Many of them are continuing on in the jobs they held last year. Some have taken on new jobs and we have a few newcomers. I am looking forward to working with all of these capable women.

We have an exciting year coming up. *Linda Kavanaugh* and *Susan Jarrett*, our Social Action Chairwomen, are working on a blood drive in cooperation with the Brotherhood, and *Jackie Itzkovitz*, our new Program Chairwoman, is brimming with ideas. We invite all the women of our Temple to join Sisterhood and participate in any or all activities. If you want to help or have some suggestions, please contact me or any of the Board members listed below.

Ann Feldstein

Sisterhood President

Sisterhood Board for 2005-2006

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President	Ann Feldstein
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Social Action	Susan Jarrett & Linda Kavanaugh
Tributes	Rita Isaacson
Flyers	Karen Paly
Good and Welfare	Doris Sgan
Religious School Liaison	Claire Dubin
Parliamentarian	Shirley Berdie
Hard Lox Coordination	Pam Gretz

At Large

Gloria Bjorkstrom, Ellen Carr,
Beatrice Greene



GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE

On **Sunday, September 25th** members of Congregation Beth HaTephila have an opportunity to truly partake in Tikun Olam (repair the world).

That morning, during religious school, both the Sisterhood and Brotherhood will partner to hold what we hope will be the first of an annual blood drive to support the Asheville chapter of the American Red Cross.

Virtually every day we hear or read about the critical shortage of local blood supplies. The wonderful thing about a blood drive is that it is easy to give, takes little time and anyone can give.

The Red Cross will use the blood we give to support shortages at local hospitals. However, in times of national crisis, the blood we give on September 25th could be used to help out-of-area collection centers, as was done after 9/11.

In order to work with the Red Cross, we need at least 25 people to participate in our blood drive. To date, six people have signed up. If you are interested in giving the gift of life, please contact **Linda Kavanaugh**, Social Action Co-Chair, Temple Sisterhood, at (828) 683-6289. Linda will be glad to reserve a time slot for you.

Susan Jarrett

Social Action Co-Chair





Brotherhood News

This year's Brotherhood Shabbat, coordinated by *Gil Kempenich*, will take place on **July 1st**. The service will be especially meaningful, as we reflect upon the memory of *Sid Schochet*, who served for so many years as our JCS Chairman.

Join Brotherhood at the Asheville Tourist game on **Sunday, July 24th**. See the flyer elsewhere in the Menorah for all the details.

The Temple Picnic, cosponsored with Sisterhood, will be at Rec Park on **August 14th**. *Rubin Feldstein* and *Ed Fidelman* will be the grill/drill masters. There will be our usual array of food, drink and games, and *Allen Sher* will MC a sports trivia game for those who prefer more sedentary activities.

Our meetings are held in Unger Hall on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:00 PM (new time). Old, new and prospective members are always welcome.

Vic Fahrer
Brotherhood President
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Brotherhood thanks **Rose Rose** for her generous contribution in memory of **Sidney Schochet** and **Ted Rose**.

Report from Brotherhood Biennial Conference

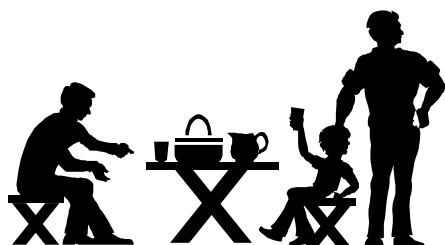
Thanks to our Brotherhood, I was able to attend the Biennial of the North American Federation of Temple Brotherhoods, held in Rhode Island, from June 8-12.

Like most conferences held under URJ auspices, this one was divided among workshops on programming, serious discussions of the status of Reform Judaism in this country and in the world, and Torah study and Shabbat services. Of all the programming, the two that I found to be most significant concerned the role of men and boys in Judaism, and a URJ program called Sacred Aging.

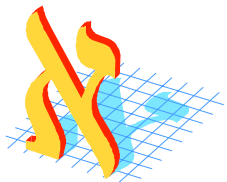
The latter is of special concern to Reform synagogues, such as ours, which attract retirees. Our aged share the same problems as all others who "are getting on in years." We have health problems, we are lonely, we crave companionship, we want acceptance from others in the synagogue, we want to interact socially with persons of different ages, and we want to learn to cope with the inevitable grief that accompanies the passing of our lifelong mates. The Sacred Aging program is designed to help Reform synagogues reach these aims. I will be having more to say on this subject in months to come.

The second program was an extended status report, given by Doug Barden, the Executive Director of the NAFTB. I made it a point to find time to get Doug aside and ask him to expand on his presentation. In essence, the problem of males in Reform synagogues is approaching crisis level. There are few Brotherhoods. Fewer men attend Brotherhood meetings. While the need is for Brotherhood to take a more active role in the central purposes of the synagogue, Brotherhoods tend to be stuck where they were 10 years ago. The result: Jewish boys are growing up without adequate male models. We need programming that will help us retain men who are good Jews and good Jewish fathers and husbands and participate in Jewish life. This is a significant challenge. All Brotherhood chapters must rise to it. The question is: How, if at all, does this problem affect BHT?

Sam Shermis



ADULT EDUCATION



SUMMER HEBREW CLASSES

Beginning Hebrew

Wednesdays, 5:30 – 6:30 PM
July 6th, 20th, 27th, Aug. 3rd

Super Summer Hebrew

Wednesdays, 6:30 – 7:30
July 6th, 20th, 27th, Aug. 3rd



Yiddish Expressions of the Month

A Baizeh tsung is erger fun a shlecter hant.
An angry tongue is worse than a striking hand.

A biseleh chain is shoin nit gemain.
Just a little charm and you are not ordinary.

Rubin Feldstein




RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Thank you so much for the wonderful Noah's Ark Puzzle and Bible Board Books for our class! How nice of you!

The bag of gifts was anonymously dropped off at our classroom door. Please tell me who you are so I can thank you!

We'll enjoy them so much and are grateful for your generous gift!

Thank you!
Susan Ratner
My Family & Me Class



NOTE: Application forms for Religious School can be found in the back of the Menorah.

Please complete and submit them ASAP to secure a seat for your child. Thank you.



Have you enjoyed the Hard Lox Café?

Do you have new ideas for this year's event?

Join the planning committee and be a pivotal player in the success of Hard Lox Café 2005.

Contact **Elise Israel** (867-8828) Israel@ioa.com

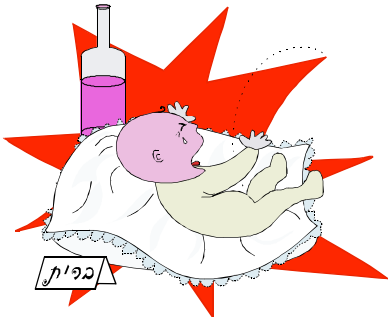
Learning Corner

The following article, exactly as printed in the *Houston Tri-Weekly Telegraph* newspaper on November 14, 1862 (that's right, 1862), needs no further commentary. Enjoy!

A Good Thing

Friend Hohenthal did a good thing the other day. Friend H. is of the Jewish persuasion and as good a fellow as there is anywhere. Of course, he is married and got a family, or he wouldn't have done what he did. What was that? Why his good lady presented him with a very small pattern of himself. That made him fell (sic) very good, we don't doubt. Well, that wasn't all. 'Good old Moses,' you know, established a custom, every (sic) so long before other people began to christen their children, of having all the boys circumcised before they were old enough to know what hurt them. What this is we don't quite know: but it's all right, we'll be bound, or Moses wouldn't have had anything to do with it. Well, friend Hohenthal of course must have the little Hohenthal circumcised, and of course he couldn't do the thing by halves; so he invited the priests and the levites and the brethren of the other tribes and certain sober sided gentiles, to see the thing done. It was a 'big thing' – the party – and there was, from all accounts, a high old time. That was all right. When everybody was feeling very much rejoiced with friend Hohenthal, it was suggested that a remembrance to the boys in the army would not be out of place. A contribution was taken up and near \$500 realized, which has since been invested in shoes and sent to the 2nd Texas. Take it all around, it was a very good thing. All present enjoyed themselves, and left hoping many happy returns on the auspicious occasion.

Gil Kempenich
Ritual Committee



From the Tzedakah Committee



HELP CHANGE LIVES — BUILD A HOME FOR A NEEDY FAMILY

Our congregation has again been invited to participate in a Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Build in cooperation with several other congregations of various denominations. The project will begin on August 2nd and run through September 22nd. At this point we are being asked to help on **August 3rd, 9th, 18th, 26th and 30th**. Other dates may also be available. No special skills are required, but participants must be at least 16 years old and able to spend a full day on the job site. For more information contact **Ann Feldstein** at 298-9782.

Whether or not you can help build, you can help this truly worthwhile project by supporting the Habitat for Humanity thrift store. Contribute your used furniture and home items (they pick up) and/or purchase items there. The store proceeds help pay for Habitat homes. You can also help with a contribution to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund. The Habitat store is located at 30 Meadow Rd.

Ann Feldstein



ABCCM Monthly Lunch Servings

Todah Rabah to *Ellen Chelmiss, Rose Rose, Linda Kavanaugh, Eric Naimark, Rubin and Ann Feldstein* for serving and cooking for the April lunch serving at ABCCM Mens' Shelter, and to *Linda Kavanaugh, Jack Lowell, and Chuck Itzkovitz* for the May serving. June's appreciation goes to *Jack Lowell*, who baked great cakes, *Linda Kavanaugh*, and *Hilary Paradise*. We need volunteers for July 15th, August 19th, September 16th, October 21st, and November 18th. Call or email **Chuck Itzkovitz** at 658-3795 or chuckitz@charter.net, or sign up with Lea at the Temple. We need your help.

Chuck Itzkovitz



NEW BOOKS ON OUR SHELVES

Heavens Witness by Joseph Telushkin.
This is Telushkins first attempt at a mystery.

The Last of the Just by Andre Schwarz-Bart.
A spellbinding story of the Levys from 1185.

Growing Up Jewish: An Anthology, 25 Jewish writers
write about their childhood in America.

Sydelle White






Mark your calendars NOW — **CROP WALK**
Sunday, October 2, 2005.
More information to follow.



July & August Onegs

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|------|----|------------------------------------|
| July | 1 | Shabbat Seder Picnic |
| | 8 | David Berkey & Jack Lowell |
| | 15 | <i>Sid and Ina Singer</i> |
| | 22 | Savannah Stein-Stovall Bat Mitzvah |
| | 29 | Jesse Scarborough Bar Mitzvah |
| Aug. | 5 | Shabbat Seder Picnic |
| | 12 | <i>OPEN</i> |
| | 19 | Ellen Chelmis |
| | 26 | Josh Erde Bar Mitzvah |

Our apologies for omitting *Barbara Stickle's* name for the June 17th Oneg. Barbara and *Nicki Benatan* were the hostesses that night.



Shabbat Seder Picnics

Fridays, July 1st and August 5th, @ 6:30 PM

Bring your picnic supper and join us.

Kabbalat Shabbat Services at 7:30 PM.



We know summer has just begun, but the new 5766 calendars have arrived, courtesy of Morris Funeral Home. They will be available after services or in the office during the week.



Attention Committee Chairs

If you have your meeting dates set for this coming year (*July 2005 thru June 2006*) please send them to the office as soon as possible. The calendar is filling up quickly.

Submit your request **IN WRITING** with the following information:

- ✓ Space needed
- ✓ Date
- ✓ Time in/time out
- ✓ Contact person with phone number

Thank you!
Lea



Dear Rabbi Ratner, Cantor Winston, and the Congregation of Beth HaTephila,

Your expressions of sympathy in the recent loss of my father have touched me greatly. As much as that, the Jewish tradition has touched me greatly with providing the means to remember, grieve, then move on with L'chaim and the duty to praise God in the midst of life with its inevitable change.

Thank you from a deep place in my heart. I am grateful to be connected with you, grateful that I am a part of this congregation.

Sincerely yours,

Vance Reese



Another Session of Sid Singer's Israel Seminar

The participants at the June 21st discussion program, "Can Israel be Both Jewish and Democratic? Should it Be?" agreed that another session was needed to continue this important dialogue. The second session will be held on Thursday, July 14th at 6:00 PM. Again it will be a bring-you-own-supper event. We look forward to Sid Singer's guidance in this ongoing provocative conversation.

This program is open to the entire Jewish Community. Attendees are welcome even if you missed the first session.

Call Lea at the office to register. There is no fee.

Community Events



Play Ball!

Let's all go to an Asheville Tourists baseball game together on Sunday, July 10th, 2:00 PM at McCormick Field.

Meet in the **General Admission BB** section behind the Tourists dugout.

Tickets can be purchased at the ballpark that day: *Adults \$6, Kids 3-12 \$5, Seniors 65 and older \$5.*

See you then!

Co-sponsored by Beth Israel Synagogue, Congregation Beth HaTephila and the Jewish Community Center.



High school exchange students from around the world are looking for host families for the upcoming school year! They have a wide variety of interests, speak English, have their own spending money, attend local high schools, and can share a room. Call 828-298-8873 or meet the students at www.ayusa.org.



Rosh Chodesh Av Sunday, August 7, 2005 from 7:00pm till ??



Gather round the fire to welcome the month of Av with your Jewish “sisters”

—from the Kantors’ mountain retreat at Lake Toxaway!



We will share an outdoor meal, view the waxing crescent moon at sunset (weather permitting), and experience a “magical Rosh Chodesh evening.”

RSVP ASAP. Phone Diana Lieb at 277-1259. Reservations must be received by July 29, to allow time for our hosts to order the entree. Bus transportation will be available for the benefit of those who don’t feel comfortable driving at night.

Please bring:

- a piece of clothing, jewelry, or scarf with a positive or magical connotation, that you would like to part with in our ritual giveaway. These things will be “swapped” so everyone will go home with good feelings from another woman within our Jewish Community
- food to share: A **small** parve side dish that doesn’t need to be reheated.
- a tambourine or small drum, if you have one.

In remembrance of the ancient traditions of Tu b’Av, we suggest wearing white.

Meet at the JCC at 5:30 pm to ride the bus or join a carpool.

Our Temple Family



Congratulations to Our Graduates

Diana Gergel graduated from Asheville High School and will attend UNC - Chapel Hill.

Annie Joyce graduated A. C. Reynolds High School and will attend UNC-Greensboro

Chelsea Layton graduated from A. C. Reynolds High School.

Rachel McMillan graduated from Ashville High School and will attend Columbia University.

Rebecca Ratner, daughter of Rabbi Robert & Susan Ratner, graduated from A. C. Reynolds High School with Highest Honors and the French Award. She will be attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Ashley Vandewart graduated from University of North Carolina.

Hilary Vandewart graduated from A. C. Reynolds High School and will attend UNC - Chapel Hill.



It's Vacation Time!!

Rabbi Ratner will be on vacation July 7th – July 21st.

Cantor Winston will be on vacation July 9th – July 14th.

The weekend of July 9th and 10th, both the Rabbi and the Cantor will be on vacation. Lea will be checking the phone at the office for messages on a regular basis. Please leave any emergency message on the main line (253-4911). We have secured rabbinical coverage in case it is needed.



Friday, July 1st @ 7:30 PM

Installation of Officers and Brotherhood Shabbat



Get Well Wishes to:

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David Gettleman
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Joe Harrison

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Sylvia Meyer
Debbie Newmark Mulford
Marvin Ratner
Peter Reiser
Sam Shermis
Regina Spector
Allegra Stuetzel
Debra Walker



Sympathy to **Mary and Jan Schochet** on death of **Sidney**



Sympathy to **Ned Simon** on the death of mother **Marigene**.



Sympathy to **Cynthia Zaslow** on the death her brother **Lewis Ross**.



Mazel tov to **Dan and Gloria Pincu** on engagement of their daughter, **Elise to Jeff Delfield**. Weddi plans will probably be in the next year.



TOV to **Jackie Itzkovitz** on her Bat Mitzvah, June 11th



David Schulman's book, The Past Is Not Dead, has been favorably reviewed in Hadassah Magazine June/July.



Thank you to **Dennis Pitter** for the Shabbat Seder!

Meet Our Bat Mitzvah



Parents: Elyse Stein & Eddie Stovall

School: Cane Creek Middle School

Hobbies: Jewelry making, swimming, French beading.

Favorite TV: Will & Grace

Favorite Place to Eat: Apollo Flame

Places you've lived: Los Angeles, CA, Camirillo, CA, Haw Creek, NC, Arden, NC.

Places you've traveled to: Branson, MO, Sun Valley, ID, San Francisco, CA.

Extra curricular activities: Band, Peak swim team, Tanglewood musical theater classes.

How has your Bat Mitzvah training been so far?

"It has been a really challenging experience, yet a very rewarding one."

Bat Mitzvah of Savannah Ariel Stein-Stovall

July 22, 2005



Please share in our joy and rich tradition as
Savannah Ariel Stein-Stovall
Reads from the Torah as she becomes a Bat Mitzvah
On Friday, July 22, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. at
Congregation Beth HaTephila 43 North Liberty Street Asheville, NC.
We welcome all for Friday evening services & the Oneg to follow.



Meet Our Bar Mitzvah



Bar Mitzvah of Jesse Jordan Scarborough **July 29 - 30, 2005**

Parents: William & Martha

School: Anglo-American School of Moscow

Hobbies: Skateboarding, karate, reading, drama, rock and wall climbing.

Favorite TV: Friends

Favorite Place to Eat: Riba & Ris (It means Fish & Rice in Russian; it's a sushi restaurant.)

Nickname: "Jesse Bob" (for fun, but not by my parents)

Places you've lived: Durham, NC, Asheville, NC, Moscow, Russia.

Places you've traveled to: France, Canada, Lithuania, Denmark, China, Greece, Egypt, Hungary, Russia, South Africa, Spain, Italy, Norway, Portugal, Ireland, Israel, Holland.

Extra curricular activities: Drama, ping-pong, badminton.

How has your Bar Mitzvah training been so far?

"It's been hard, but I've been doing well, I have been taught by my Mom, Lobel (my Chabad tutor), Rabbi Ratner and Cantor Winston."



Meet Our Bar Mitzvah



Bar Mitzvah of Joshua Lloyd Erde **August 26 - 27, 2005**

Parents: Amy & Charles

School: Cane Creek Middle School

Hobbies: Studying European law, History, Running, Computer games.

Favorite TV: Simpsons

Favorite Place to Eat: My kitchen

Places you've lived: Charleston, SC, Asheville, NC,

Places you've traveled to: Spain, Portugal, United Kingdom, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Canada, Oregon, California, New York City, Connecticut, Florida, Oklahoma, Tennessee.

Extra curricular activities: Track, Cross-country, Mathematics, Piano lessons, Geography bee, O.M.

How has your Bar Mitzvah training been so far?

“Enlightening and liberating in new ideas, concepts and opinions of myself and life and Judaism.”

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JULY BIRTHDAYS

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

1	Renee Augins	15	Hilary Paradise
1	Brett Farson	15	Carmen Procida
1	Dorothy Fligel	20	Katie Gershon
2	Ashley Marder	20	Heather Goldstein
3	Carrie Winkelman	20	Peter Mosheim
4	Paul Chelmis	21	Linda Arnold
5	Elliot Adler	21	David Berkey
5	Pete Gretz	21	Zeke Goldstein
6	Sharon Fahrer	21	Arnold Mandell
6	Amanda Goldfarb	22	David Block
6	Larry Layton	22	Gene Knoefel
6	Karleigh Ring	22	Leslie Langberg
6	Paul Samuels	22	Jane Novoselsky
6	Sarah Weiss	22	Dan Zivony
7	Leah Karpen	23	Stanley Arnold
8	George Zaslow	23	Joshua Ratner
9	Kathy Rosenberg	24	Jason Zoller
9	Ezra Stuelzel	25	Cindy Feiler
9	Jackie Westle	27	Salli Pearlman
10	Joann Edwinn	28	Harris Livingstain
10	Cynthia Miller	28	Isaac Paul
11	Terra Emet	28	Stephen Wall
11	A .N. Kaplan	29	Marcy Sirkin
12	Rita Reiser	30	Scott Adams
12	Noah Ratner	30	Rebecca Wall
12	Scott Hyman	31	Ellen Knoefel
14	Samuel Sholder	31	Zachary Miller

1	Bob & Sonja Hruska
1	Stanley & Judy Kane
1	Gene & Ellen Knoefel
2	Jeremy & Heather Goldstein
8	Buddy & Mary Riesenberg
8	Simon & Susan Senzon
13	Gil & Suzanne Lampner
20	Mitchel & Tracy Adler
25	Norman & Bee Greenberg
30	Bob & Laurie Baker
31	Larry & Elise Israel



NOTICE

New Office hours as of July 1, 2005

The office will close at 1 PM on Fridays.

**Office hours are: Monday – Thursday: 9 AM – 4 PM
Fridays: 9 AM – 1 PM**



Celebrate With Our Temple Families



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

1	Telemachus Spencer	17	Susan Jarrett	1	Frederic & Debbie Seifer
2	Hannah Procida	17	Merilyn Kaplan Jr.	2	Mark & Cindy Vandewart
2	Kendall Soule	17	Malenda Matthews	4	Jeff & Alicia Younger
4	Louis Gud	18	Anthony Adams	5	Richard & Laurie Chess
4	Gloria Pincu	18	Joel Harris	9	Bo Farson & Idelle Packer
4	Dana Smith	18	Robert Hruska	10	Telemachus & Debra Spencer
5	Jessica Savitt	20	Abe Goldstein	14	Arnold & Doris Sgan
6	Eric Scheffer	23	Debra Cooper	17	Sidney & Ina Singer
7	Linda Kavannaugh	23	Greg Crawford	17	Roy & Hilary Sperling
8	Robyn Crawford	23	Jerry Dave	19	Leslie & Sandy Langberg
8	Sydelle White	24	Jeffrey Dave	19	Philip & Carol Cohen
11	Michael Goldfarb	24	Leo Finkelstein	20	Jerry & Barbara Dave
11	Susan Ratner	25	Toby Huter	22	Frank & Joann Edwinn
11	Betsy Wall	25	Lynne Weinrib	22	Joel & Beverly Harris
12	Elise Israel	26	Mark Hinton	22	Bruce & Melissa Maurer
12	Heidi Kelley	26	Marilyn Patton	23	Carl & Laurie Johnson
13	Samuel Feldman	26	Irving Studenberg	25	Markus & Ilene Procida
14	Shirley Cohen	29	Herbert Gallinger	26	Dana & Rachel Smith
15	Natale Kramer	30	Michael Blatt	28	Joe Harrison & Stephanie Cooper
15	Alex Lord	30	Jack Lowell	29	Samuel & Lulla Shermis
16	Kevin Roberts	30	Preston Meyer	31	John & Shirley Berdie
16	Herbert Kay	31	Dionne Kempenich		



Enjoying your Summer?

Unfortunately it doesn't last forever.

August 15th is the deadline for the September Menorah.

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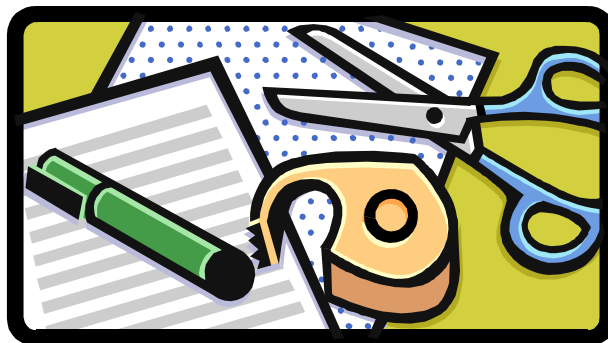
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Miriam Maiten
Sadye Peyser
Cele Resnick
Terry Shainberg
Nancy Sheppard
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July 8, 2005

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Gabriel Stickle
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July 15, 2005

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Celia Golechen
Abraham Greenberg
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Edith Mendelsohn
Jennie Rosenstein
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Celia Zaslow

July 22, 2005

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August 5, 2005

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Benjamin Milburg
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Selma Strauss
Sylvia Zoller

August 12, 2005

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Hyman Koling
Catherine Morgenstern
Edith Ruth Newman
Lorence Rapoport
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Jane Shaver
Mary Weinberg
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August 19, 2005

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Mollie Padlog
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Frances Silver
David Samuel Smolowitz

August 26, 2005

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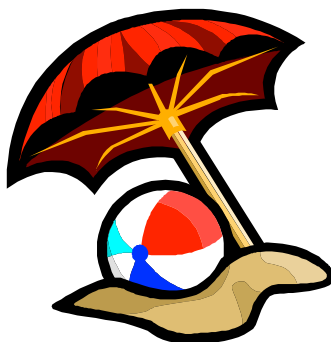


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July 1st Shabbat Seder Picnic
July 1st Brotherhood Shabbat & Installation of Officers
July 14th Sid Singer Discussion on Israel
July 24th Asheville Tourist Baseball Game

August 5th Shabbat Seder Picnic
August 14th Temple Picnic
August 15th *Menorah* Deadline