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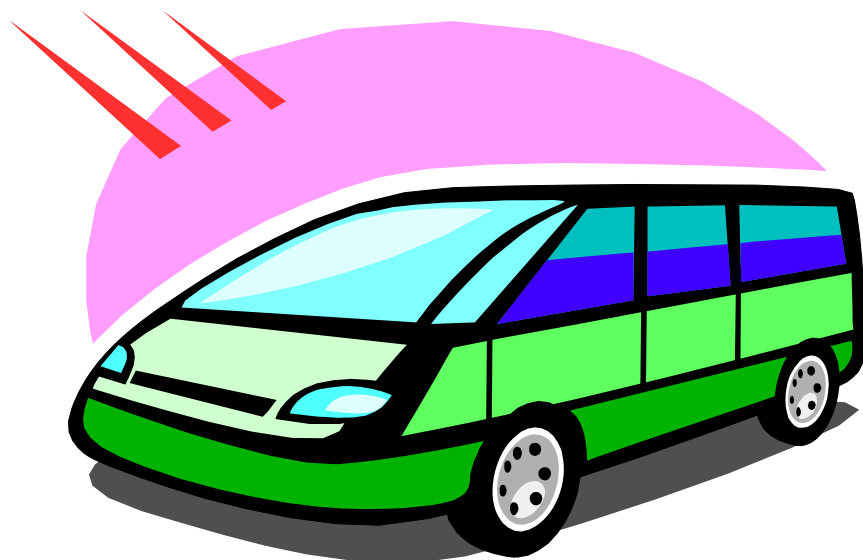
JUNE TEMPLE OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Friday: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Temple Administrator: *Dawna E. Wade*

Cantor Winston

To make an appointment to meet with Cantor Winston, please call the Temple office (253-4911).



RIDES TO TEMPLE SERVICES

The JCC has generously offered to work collaboratively with us to provide *rides on Friday nights* to services at CBHT. They have a bus and a driver; we think we have the congregants who would pay a very reasonable fee for transportation.

If you would take advantage of this service, call *Alison Gilreath* at the JCC (253-0701) and let her know; she's taking a headcount.

This might be available very soon if enough people call, so don't delay!

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President's Message

I want to tell you a story...

...about our 6-year old granddaughter. Blythe goes to a private school, Armbrae, in Halifax, Nova Scotia. It is the policy of this school that each year every class must undertake a community help project. Her Grade 1 class chose to participate in Friends of IWK (the children's hospital).

At her own initiative, Blythe offered the entire contents of her piggy bank for this cause - \$102. Her selfless act inspired her parents to match the contribution. Blythe and her Mom got very motivated and started talking it up.

To make a long story short: a special event was organized. A large entertainment room was donated; two local bands and entertainers gave of their time and talents for an evening (to be admitted, guests were to bring a bag of coins or \$10). A graphics designer produced posters that were placed free of charge at bus kiosks throughout the city. A billboard company gave billboard space. Hundreds of pamphlets were produced and distributed throughout the city. Blythe was interviewed at a local morning and at an evening TV news show. A website page was made available for online donations. CEOs of local companies mobilized to participate.

Bottom line: Blythe raised \$5002 for the IWK. And little 6-year old Blythe found out just how much a single motivated individual can accomplish. And so did we. Did Blythe do all this by herself? Of course not. Did her selfless act motivate and mobilize others to help? Yes!!

This is not a Halifax phenomenon. Nor is it a Blythe phenomenon (though she is one, for sure). It is the outcome of one young person doing a very selfless thing, a significant start toward tikkun olam – toward fixing the world.

I recently read an article entitled *Inspiring Change*, by Herbie Hancock (jazz musician) in a United Airlines' Hemisphere Magazine. I'm paraphrasing from it:

Reinvention is relishing the idea of looking for a new way of doing, so we present something that's fresh. Exercising our creative abilities is one of our most important aspects as intelligent beings. The more we explore and create another way of looking at things, the more choices we'll have to invent a new framework, a new environment.

Inspiration is constantly in the air. It's up to us to develop the sensitivity to pick up on it. One of the most important ways is to be open and trust ourselves and our ability to take whatever is happening and turn it into an asset.

Beth HaTephila. The inspiration is all around us. Let's pick up on it...

B'shalom,
Gil Kempenich

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

Everything continues to percolate at CBHT!! Here are some things you should know this month:

1) Starting with the first Shabbat of July (Friday evening, July 4th), we're once again going to try something fresh and new! Shabbat will be welcomed at a service-in-the-round in Unger Hall at 6:30 PM. If the weather is beautiful, we can take our oneg treats outside on the lawn, and enjoy our natural surroundings. Bring your family, yourself, and a willingness to try something new!

2) The Ritual Committee would like to start a monthly Havdallah service, rotating at congregants' homes. If you would be interested in attending or hosting a Havdallah, please let **Charles Erde**, Ritual Chair, know (cerde@charter.net). What a great way to meet new friends and visit with old ones!

3) Please make it a point to attend the Bat Mitzvah of our next young adult: **Gabi Levine!** Gabi will be called to the Torah on Saturday, June 7th, and will help lead worship on Friday night, the 6th, as well. Everyone is invited to Saturday morning services; no one needs an invitation to attend, and it's so important to serve as a witness and supporter of this special moment. PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THIS WILL BE A 7:30PM SERVICE BECAUSE OF THE BAT MITZVAH, EVEN THOUGH IT'S THE FIRST SHABBAT OF THE MONTH.

4) Our gardens are going to need care and love all summer, starting now. If you can help periodically weed/water/tidy, please call **Gail Ashley-Smith** (683-3141) and offer a hand. Our grounds can be beautiful if we all help. Adam Winston and I already spent 3½ hours ripping weeds and old ground-cover from the long garden that lines the front walk. Your turn!

5) Since Shavuot is our next Festival, plan to attend Friday night, June 6th, to hear the festival melodies and see the Bima decorated with greens. Let's keep our Festival observances alive!

6) On the evening of June 8th, Sunday night, the Confirmation Class will be leaving for our trip to Washington, DC. We would welcome contributions of non-perishable snacks for the car and the train trip the next day (cheesy crackers, dried fruit, etc.). You can leave them with me; I won't eat them. After returning, I hope to have the class lead a Shabbat service, and tell of their adventures.

7) And, as always, I am here to serve and support you. Don't hesitate to call, or think I'm too busy. You can find me in the office Tuesday – Friday from 11 AM – 4 PM for office visits. Please call ahead (253-4911).

B'shira,
Cantor Deb Winston



HardLox
Asheville's Jewish Food Festival
October 19, 2008



Summer Torah Study With Jenny Mercer

Explore the two Creation stories in Genesis. Which came first, the sun or the light? Was it really an apple? And is Eve responsible for Adam's eating the fruit?

Some Hebrew literacy will be helpful.

Tuesdays, 5:30 – 6:30, June 10th – July 29th

No classes on July 8th and July 15th

Price: \$30 for members and \$45 for non-members.

Call Jenny for more information, 254-2448.

Call Dawna at the Temple to register (253-2911)



Yiddish Expressions of the Month

Gleyb eyn oyg mer vi tsvey oyern.

Trust one eye more than two ears.

Or, what you see is more reliable than what is heard.

Az meh falt bi zich, falt men oich bi andereh.

When you lose your self-respect, you also lose the respect of others.

Rubin Feldstein



Great Volunteer Opportunity

Be an English conversation tutor for an adult who is semi-fluent.

Call **Wendy Barrett** at 208-720-0484

Community Events



Benefit Dinner For Hadassah Medical Organization Research

Tuesday, June 17th, @ 6:00 PM

Beth HaTephila Cost: Chai \$18

THE OTHER HALF OF MY SOUL

Bahia Brenda Adams will discuss her recent book which portrays a love story between Ranya, a Syrian Jew journalist from New York and Rami, a Shi'ite Muslim from Syria. They endure family hostility, Islamic terrorism, and the conflict and hatreds that divide Muslim and Jew. It is a powerful message about the social, political, religious, and emotional realities of today. Hadassah members may purchase books from the publisher, Grateful Steps, at a 20% discount.

Call Ellie (626-3935) or Lana (684-9250) for your reservation. Your \$18 is tax-deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

Beth HaTephila Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of
Congregation Beth HaTephila will take place on
Tuesday, June 24th, at 6:30 PM in Unger Hall.

All members will receive information and proxy forms by mail. This is an advance reminder, so you can put it on your calendar.

At this meeting, we will vote on a slate of Board Officers and Trustees for the coming year, review and vote on our budget, and ratify proposed changes to our By-Laws. It is important that everyone attend, so that your voice can be heard.



Sisterhood News



Brotherhood News



The Sisterhood had a busy month of May. What a wonderful Progressive Dinner we held on May 3rd. Thank you to all the people who participated and special thanks to our wonderful, hard-working entrée hosts: *Barbara Stickle, Marti Biller, Gail Sobel, Lana Waltzer, Myrna Shuster*, and our appetizer hosts: *Carol Gillen* and *Nicky Erickson*, and our dessert makers: *Barbara Jaslow, Nicki Benatan*, and *Ann Feldstein*. And, we can't forget to thank all the husbands who helped in the cooking, serving and baking, too.

Another wonderful event, coordinated by *Nicki Benatan*, was our Sisterhood Shabbat, honoring our past presidents, held on May 9th. And thanks to *Elise Israel* and the *Plotkin* family for sponsoring the oneg. *Natalie*, the pastries were just scrumptious!

We look forward to our installation luncheon and fashion show on June 8th. If you have not signed up, please call *Lana Waltzer*, our Program Chair, at 684-9250. Lana is working very hard to put together a great catered luncheon and fashion show by Ad-Lib Ladies Shop.

Gloria Pincu & Sherrill Zoller,
Co-Presidents



Allen Sher throwing the winning horseshoe toss in his match at the Asheville-Buncombe Senior Games.

A Brotherhood Service will be held on Friday June 27th. A speaker from the National Men of Reform Judaism office will be the guest speaker.

Brotherhood will also provide a brunch on Sunday, June 29th, featuring a speaker from the Jewish Chautauqua Society.

Arnold Sgan,
Brotherhood President & JCS Chair

JCS 1893-2008 — 115 YEARS YOUNG

Founded originally in 1893 by Rabbi Henry Berkowitz of Philadelphia, the Jewish Chautauqua Society (JCS) was acquired as a wholly-owned subsidiary in 1939 by the then National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods (NFTB) and soon became NFTB's major national project. During the first twenty years of its existence, JCS sought to provide a series of adult education programs on Judaism, with its primary target being the recently arrived European Jewish immigrants. By the 1910's, JCS had changed its focus and directed its attention to providing education about Judaism to our Christian neighbors. Initiated in 1917, its most successful and enduring program became the JCS Scholar in Residence program, whereby JCS provides our best teachers, our rabbis, to serve as lecturers at numerous seminaries, universities, and colleges throughout North America. During the past ninety years, JCS has served as a pioneer, a catalyst, by introducing its Scholar in Residence Programs to literally hundreds of schools where future Christian ministers were studying. In almost every case, our JCS-funded rabbis provided these students with their first opportunity to have an extended conversation with a Jewish teacher, and to study and be exposed to the commonalities and differences of their religious faith and Judaism.

We need your support to continue to do our work. To those of you who have personally contributed and to all brotherhoods and men's clubs that have contributed, sincere thanks. Your support has made a difference. To all our friends and supporters, your contributions to the Tikkun Fund will continue to support the work of JCS and continue the traditions of the Men of Reform Judaism. Let's work together to ensure JCS remains 115 years Young. Happy Birthday JCS!

Charles Niederman, JCS Chancellor

This is an edited and abridged version of Chancellor Niederman's bulletin.

News from the Social Justice Committee



As we reported in the April Menorah, our Temple was one of the 20 founding employers to be living-wage-certified by the Asheville-Buncombe Living Wage Steering Committee, a body of which we have been members from the beginning. Asheville City Council has adopted a Living Wage ordinance for city employees and the Steering Committee, now part of Just Economics, is working with them to cover city contractors. The current effort is to seek voluntary certification from businesses, agencies and congregations.

Now, following this Board action, our committee is asking members of the congregation who own businesses or who head agencies to do likewise. You may already be paying a living wage or you may be willing to take the steps to get there. Today's living wage in the Asheville area is \$11.35 an hour for full- and part-time workers without employer-provided health insurance, \$9.85 with such insurance. Exceptions are part-time employees who are under 18 years old and a few others as spelled out in our brochure. Certified employers will be publicized.

PLEASE PICK UP A BROCHURE WITH MORE INFORMATION, INCLUDING THE FORMULA FOR THIS WAGE AND ITS IMPLICATIONS AND AN APPLICATION FORM, AT THE TEMPLE OFFICE.

The Union for Reform Judaism has long advocated measures that would ensure every worker willing and able to work "a wage that makes possible a decent standard of living" (The Eradication and Amelioration of Poverty" 1968). In a period of a widening gap between the affluent and the poor, we seek a more just economy that will benefit our whole society. Higher wages will give more buying power to people who use local businesses; they will save taxpayer funds that now go to support in various ways those who do not earn enough while working full time.

Lotte Meyerson
281-4411
Social Justice Committee



More Ways to Save Money at the Pump

- 1. Pack Light.** According to the Department of Energy, a loaded roof rack on your car can decrease fuel economy by approximately five percent. Also, every 100 pounds you carry in a car reduces a typical car's fuel economy by one to two percent. So, when you go on vacation or a long car trip, put everything you can inside your vehicle, and pack light.
- 2. Think Hybrid.** The most fuel-efficient vehicles on the road today are hybrid-electric cars. A hybrid combines an electric motor with a conventional, but cleaner, gasoline-powered engine. Over its lifetime, a 50-mile per gallon hybrid Toyota Prius will use half as much gas, and release half as much global-warming pollution, as a 23-mpg Grand Prix.
- 3. Consider Sharing.** Rather than buy a new car, sign up for membership with a car-sharing program such as Flexcar or Zipcar. These programs allow you to reserve and drive cars by the hour — and they cover the cost of the vehicle, insurance, gas, parking, and maintenance.
- 4. Write Your Leaders.** Urge them to raise fuel economy standards to 40 miles per gallon. Modern technology can make our cars and trucks go farther on a gallon of gas. Taking this step would save nearly 4 million barrels of oil a day, more oil than we currently import from the Persian Gulf. And by saving on gas, you would save nearly \$2,000 at the pump over the life of your car.

From: http://www.sierraclub.org/globalwarming/gas_savers/

Idelle Packer

From the Tzedakah Committee



ABCCM MEN'S SHELTER SERVING

Kudos to *Hillary Paradise, Shirley Berdie* and *Dina Richison* for so graciously being our servers at the ABCCM Men's Shelter on Friday, May 16, 2008. Thank you ladies for your consistent participation in this mitzvah.

Barb Stein was our meal planner, shopper and transporter of "the fixins" to the ABCCM Men's Shelter for this deli-style meal. Hooray to Barb for her dedication and the huge help she has been to the Tzedakah Committee and myself. Thanks, Barb

Thank you, *Jackie and Lacy Westle*, for baking cakes. The residents are so happy when we have your cakes for dessert.

Wanna help? Just contact me.

Linda Kavanaugh

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FOOD IS STILL NEEDED!

Our congregants filled 4 barrels with food for the Manna Food Bank that were delivered in May. Empty barrels have replaced those, so let's fill them up again! The need is still there and is, in fact, becoming more acute.

From the Sacred Aging Committee



ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM FROM THE SACRED AGING COMMITTEE!

On April 27th, Drs. Berkey and Hamilton of The Hearing Center (also congregants of CBHT) presented an outstanding, informative and very interesting program on "Hearing Loss In The Aging." Those in attendance evaluated this program as "Excellent," and remarked at how well the subject was presented, and also that the information was very valuable. A take-home handout contained very useful information and a hearing "screening test," as well.

Of course, as usual, everyone enjoyed some great refreshments and time for discussion.

Thank you **Dr. David Berkey** and **Dr. Christopher Hamilton**, both audiologists at The Hearing Center in Asheville, for an outstanding program.

Arlene & Bernie Farrow
sacredaging@bethhatephila.org



What Happens After We Die??

What: An Open Discussion/Sacred Aging Program

Where: Unger Hall

When: **SUNDAY, JUNE 1st AT 1 PM**

The Sacred Aging Program for June is not to be missed. Cantor Debra Winston will speak on the Jewish Perspectives on the End of Life and the Afterlife. Come with questions and challenges for the whole group to address; nothing is too far-out or controversial to talk about.

We will be joined by the Confirmation Class, who will undoubtedly add their own "take" on the subject.

As always, this program is free and open to the public; donations are appreciated for future programming. Refreshments will be served. See you there!



Religious School News

Claire Dubin, Principal

June 2008

Thank You BHT!

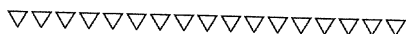
It's been an amazing experience and an honor to work for Congregation Beth HaTephila, but now, this stage of my life comes to close and I'm ready to pass the torch onto another. Thank you everyone for the support over the years and for your recent emails, notes, and gifts in appreciation. I know that if I start listing individual people to thank that I will undoubtedly and unintentionally leave someone out, but I do want to thank some individuals who have either guided me or helped me in one way or another. First, my family. My husband Evan, my son Josh, and daughter Zoe, all who have put up with my religious school projects on every table surface in the house, and who allowed me to donate the many hours directing the school. I'd also like to thank Hilary Paradise, without whose original guidance I would have been lost. And then the list begins: Rabbi Ratner, Cantor Winston, Edward Wiley, Ellen Gilreath, Dawna, Lea, Loni, all my PTA moms over the years, all the temple Presidents, Barbara Jaslow, every parent who has helped in any way, all the teenage assistants, the current Religious School Committee members, the temple Board, Sisterhood and Brotherhood for their unwavering support. But most importantly and with great fondness, I'd like to thank everyone who has taught during my eight years at BHT. Without you, where would I have been? Together, we have all created a wonderful place for our children to spend Sunday mornings.

To the children, I will miss you. Many of you are in college now, but I do remember you all and the great times we had learning everything together. Thank you for participating in those wild Purim Plays -- something you didn't have to do but something you humored me with! Thank you Rabbi Spalding (the African Explorer who loved to do the Horah), Burning Bush, the 4 Amigos (Pancho, Paco, Chico and Morris?), Supreme Court Justices, Martha Stewart, and the cast from the Mikado and Grease and all you wonderful 6th and 7th graders who took parts in those crazy plays.

To all my students, thank you for allowing me to be part of your lives. You brought sunshine into my Sunday mornings and I delighted in watching you grow toward Jewish adulthood. I'm very proud of you.

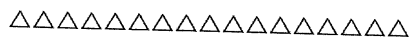
Today Rabah

Claire Dubin



A New Class is Forming: Beginning Hebrew for Adults

Sunday mornings from 11:00 to 12:00 beginning this fall and following the religious school schedule. Register through Dawna. Deadline is July 31st.



REGISTRATION DATES

May 5th - Open Registration began. Tuition increase in effect.

Summer - New Students need to leave ample time to register. (1) submit paper work and deposit; (2) 3rd - 7th graders need to be assessed in Hebrew - call the temple office for an appointment; (3) application and assessment go to Religious School Committee; (4) notification of acceptance is mailed.

July 31st - New student registration is completed. Applications received after this date will be processed if time and/or scheduling allows. Some classes will close before this date because they are nearly filled now. New students are advised to register early, and in the case of those moving to Asheville, advised to register by mail and before they move into town.

Sept. 7th **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.** No registrations on this day. No walk-ins.

Religious School students and staff donated \$ 772 to many worthy causes!

Susan Huter and MFM

\$42 to Asheville Humane Society

Sherry and Natalie Plotkin and the K-1 class

\$81 to Israel Guide Dog Center for the Blind

Amanda Diamond Ring and Karla Diamond and 2nd graders

\$50 to Habitat for Humanity

\$50 to Children's Hospital

\$50 to March of Dimes

\$50 to PJ Library (books for Israeli children)

Ellen Chelmis and the 3rd and 4th graders

\$36 to Manna Food Bank

\$36 to Friends of the Smokies / Save our Hemlocks Action Team

\$50 to Make-A-Wish Foundation of Central and Western NC

\$50 to Friends of Madison County Animals

Jenny Mercer and the 5th Graders

\$127 to Save Darfur

Claire Dubin and the 6-7th Graders

\$25 to Susan G. Komen for the Cure

\$25 to Alzheimer's Association of Western NC

\$25 to CarePartners Hospice

Foundation (Mission Hospital)

\$25 to Juvenile Diabetes Research

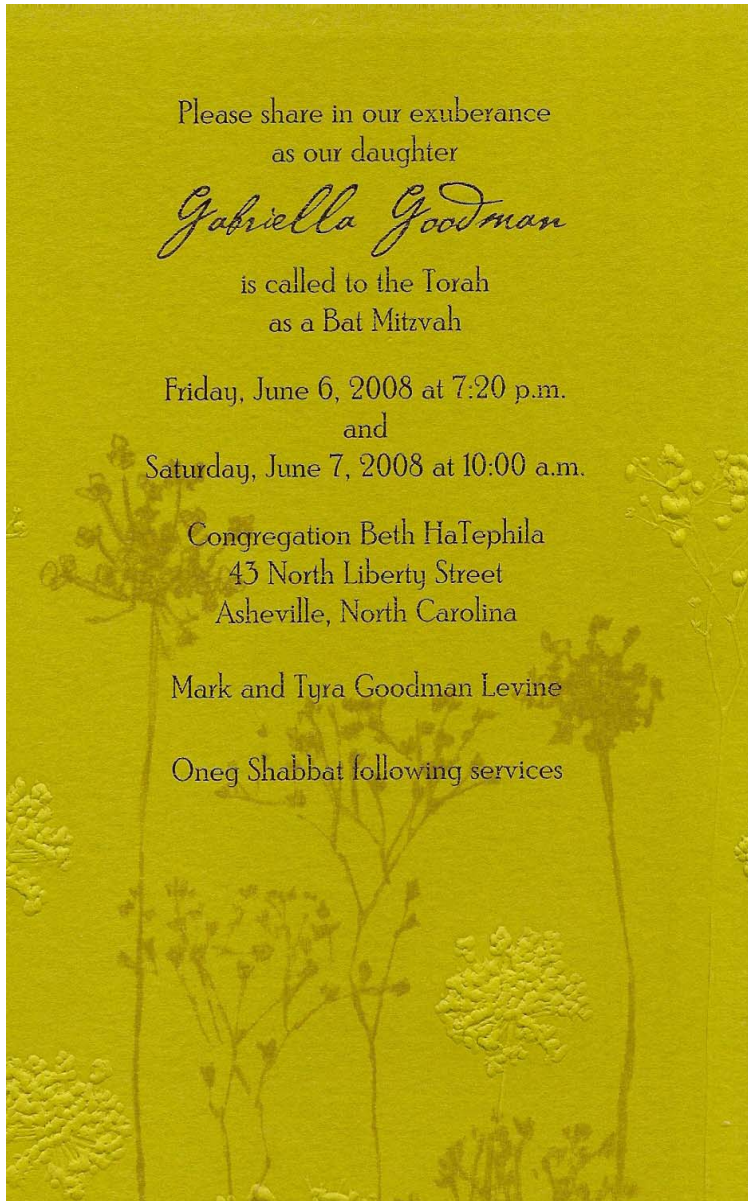
Foundation International

\$25 to amFar for Aides Research

\$25 to Make-A-Wish Foundation of

Central and Western NC

Meet Our Bat Mitzvah



Bat Mitzvah Gabriella Goodman Levine June 6 — 7, 2008

Parents: Tyra and Mark Levine

School: A.C. Reynolds Middle School

Hobbies: Playing soccer, Hanging out with my friends, Listening to music, Swimming, Shopping, Reading, and Laughing.

Favorite TV Show: Ugly Betty and Friends

Favorite Place to Eat: Panera Bread and The Mellow Mushroom

Nickname: Gabi

Places you've lived: Delray Beach, Florida; Boca Raton, Florida; Asheville, North Carolina.

Places you've traveled to: Boston, Bahamas, California, South Carolina, Denver, Florida, Chicago, Tennessee, North Carolina, Georgia.

Extra Curricular Activities: Student Council Vice President (AC Reynolds MS), Seventh Grade President (AC Reynolds), AIG, Rockettours.

How has your Bat Mitzvah training been so far?
"My Bat Mitzvah training so far has been amazing. Although it's really challenging, it's one of the best learning experiences I've ever experienced."

Happy Birthday!

Temple Happenings



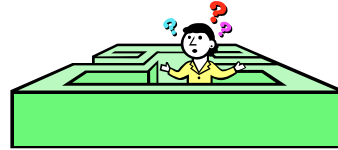
Our Administrator, *Dawna*, is now a **NOTARY PUBLIC**. So, if you need anything notarized, please feel free to stop by during office hours and she will be more than happy to assist you. The office is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

No appointment is necessary, but it might be a good idea to check with her to make sure she's there and available.



June Onegs

- June 6 Gabi Levine Bat Mitzvah
- 13 Jackie & Chuck Itzkovitz in honor of their 47th wedding anniversary.
- 20 Gloria & Dan Pincu
- 27 Family of Shirley Rapoport in honor of her special birthday.



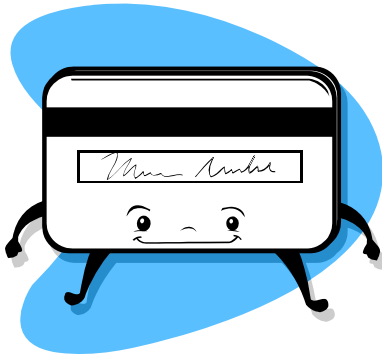
Lost & Found

If you have lost something at the Temple, please contact Dawna at the Temple office at 253-4911 to see if she's got it or for inclusion in the next Menorah.



NOTE: There will not be an early service/family service on June 6th at 6:30 PM because of Gabi Levine's Bat Mitzvah. The service that evening will be at 7:30 PM. Please join us.

A REMINDER ABOUT FOOD CARDS



There is a great way to help CBHT make some income by buying groceries (or even gas and prescriptions at Ingles) utilizing pre-paid food cards, which are available at the office from Ingles, Earthfare, Fresh Market and Greenlife in a variety of denominations. They work just like gift cards - you simply run the card through the card reader at the store and the balance is deducted from the card. When the card is used up, simply come back to CBHT to buy more! We are able to purchase the cards at a discount, and the profits really help us make ends meet. One important note: please consider purchasing these with cash or checks, as using a credit card eats up about half of the profit we can make. To get your cards, simply check with Dawna at the office. Thank you!



TOT SHABBAT

June 20th @ 6:30 — 7:00

Young children from birth to five years old and their parents are invited to share in Sabbath songs, stories, and fun.



A REMINDER ABOUT INTERNATIONAL DINING CLUB BOOKS

International Dining Club books are available for \$38. These books include "two for one" coupons for a variety of restaurants, theaters, etc. in the Asheville area, and are good for one year from the date of order. This is a great way for you to support the Temple and to have a great (and less expensive) time, too! Contact *Dawna* at the Temple at 253-4911 to order your book(s).

Our Temple Family



Welcome to Our New Members

Mindy Beller and Gregory “Scott” Evans reside at 22 West Oakview Road, Asheville, 28806, 215-9550. They have three children – *Bethany, Isaac, and Sarah*.

Judie Cohen lives at 4802 Breakers Lane, Asheville, 28806, 670-8332. Judie is an RN household manager and nursing supervisor with Care Consultants.

Susan Cohen lives at 119 Flattop Mountain Road, Fairview, 28730, 628-0101. Susan has twin daughters, *Maggie and Rebecca Williams* and she works for Asheville Pediatric Associates.

Lesley “Elfy” Kornfeld and Peter Marks make their home at 23 Russell Street, Asheville, 28806, 236-2017. They have a son, *Avi Kornfeld*, and a daughter, *Holly Black*. Elfy is a very busy stay-at-home mother, and Peter works with ASAP (Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Project).

Pam Hecht and Eric Levy reside at 35 Sleepy Hollow Drive, Asheville, 28806, 505-2548. They have two children, *Cara and Jonah Levy*.

Sanford “Sandy” Morse is retired and lives at 15 Highland Point Court, Weaverville, 28787, 989-0225.

Jean & Vance Reese and their son *Jonathan* live at 43 Vermont Court, E-19, Asheville, 28806, 280-9698. Vance is a member of the Asheville Symphony Orchestra, and, of course, is our esteemed organist. Jean works for the Asheville Lyric Opera.

Marian & Jeff Soss live in Flat Rock. Their P.O. Box is 574, Flat Rock, 28731, 697-8843. They have two daughters, *Madeleine and Mireille*. Jeff is an independent contractor who works with computers.



The **Emanuel**s (*Jay, Nancy, Matthew and Bradley*) have moved to 22 Meadow Wood Trail, Fletcher 28732.

Ginger Lerner is now living at 3156 Howell Mill Road, Apt. 329, Atlanta, GA 30327.

Get Well Wishes to:

Jerry Bellinkoff
Steven Brower
Gary Cooper
Kate Denison
Barb Derfel
Mary Ellen Dowdy
Dory Ehrlich
Michael Garfinkel
Basil Goldman
Harold Harris
Bobi Jackson

Leah Kantor
Marnie Kaufman
Marty Lee
Debbie Newmark Mulford
Arnie Newman
Rabbi Ratner
Ariel Sharon
Carly Tietzer
Natalie Trottier
Norman Willis
Andy Wisniewski



Condolences to **Rusty Schapiro** on the death of her brother, *Robert Shwedick*.



Thank you to **Steve Gerber** for donating five boxes of letter size manila folders to the Temple. That’s 500 folders! We’ll make very good use of them, although it may take us awhile.



To the editor of the Menorah
April 26, 2008

What a marvelous time we had at our temple last night! **Josh Erde** and **Elizabeth Gergel** were the leaders of the service. They read the prayers in Hebrew and English, they chanted the traditional refrains with great competence, and sang solos superbly. It was with a great feeling of community spirit that we ended the service as the congregation sang the two closing hymns.

With teenagers like Elizabeth and Josh, we know that Reform Judaism will soar to greater heights.

Sincerely,
Allen Sher



Congratulations to our Graduates



Sarah Friedman, daughter of *Kerry & Anna Friedman* will graduate May 2008 from UNC-A with a BA in both Spanish and History.

Noah Gallinger, grandson of *Herb & Jayne Gallinger*, is graduating from Smokey Mountain High School in Sylva, North Carolina. Noah will be attending Chapel Hill in the fall.

Veronica Grant, daughter of *Ronald & Janet Grant*, is graduating from UNC-Chapel Hill. She will most likely be attending Hebrew University in the Fall for graduate school.

Janet Haney, daughter of *Terry & Steve Haney*, has earned her law degree from the Appalachian School of Law in Virginia. She has also announced her engagement to *Thomas Amburgey*, with an anticipated wedding next spring

Isaac Jaben, son of Mark & Mary Ann Jaben, will graduate from Carolina Day School. He will be attending Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand in September.

Josh Karpen is graduating from NCSU (College of Engineering) with a BSE in Mechatronics Engineering.

Bobbi Langberg, daughter of Les & Sandy Langberg, is graduating from the Keenan-Flagler School of Business at UNC Chapel Hill with Honors. She has accepted a position with Nieman Marcus in their Executive Management Program and will be based at their corporate headquarters in Dallas, Texas.

Monroe (Mick) Naimark, son of *Eric & Roberta Naimark*, is graduating from Western Carolina with a B.S. in International Business. Then he will be taking a BirthRight Israel trip for the balance of May.

Jonathan Pozner, son of Bob & Hilda Pozner, is graduating from Asheville High School and will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in the fall.

Andy Sweetser, son of *Jenny Mercer and Robert Sweetser*, is graduating from Asheville High School. His plans include traveling for a year and then attending Guilford College.

Adam Winston, son of *Cantor Deb and Bob Winston*, will be attending UNC-Charlotte in the fall with a major in nursing.

Wally and Rene Wolf's granddaughter, Sami Bainham of Aysham, England, will be graduated from The Queens College at Oxford University in June, with majors in French and Spanish.





Celebrate With Our Temple Families

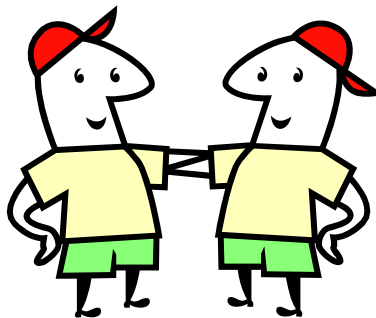
JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1	Sandra Layton	18	Margaret Baker
2	Sophie Feinblatt	18	Barbara Brodbar
3	Brad Fisher	18	Juli Dave
3	Robert Ratner	19	Lita Diamond
3	Travis Shlein-Dellinger	19	Ginger Lerner
4	Carol Cohen	20	Ivy Dyckman
5	Xandy Chelmiss	20	Vanessa Vargas
5	Sharon Lee	21	Judith Kane
5	Thomas Miller	21	Joshua Pozner
6	Helaine Greene	22	Maggie Barry
6	Joe Karpen	22	Jennifer Jenkins
6	Gail Sobel	23	Audie Bayer
6	Debra Winston	24	Hannah Dave
8	Stephanie Cooper	25	Mia Kline
8	Joshua Erde	25	Gary Kramer
8	Eric Levy	25	Sandy Langberg
8	Jack Sholder	25	Jesse Miller
9	Elizabeth Gergel	25	Jeff Younger
9	Janet Grant	26	Avi Kornfield
10	Hugh Feinberg	26	Briana Ullman
10	Jonathan Pearlman	28	Joe Harrison
11	Graycon Dave	28	Shirley Rapoport
12	Justin McCarthy	28	Mort Stein
14	Teresa Baggish	29	Dorothy Golf
17	Frederick Barry	29	Richard Kort
17	Matthew Barry	30	Preston Diamond
17	Andrea Block	30	Woldemar Dogny
17	Jeff Soss	30	Samantha Younger
17	Shayne Stone		

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

1	Bob & Carol Deutsch
5	David & Shannon Tuch
8	Robert & Donna Kaye
9	Howard & Barbara Jaslow
9	Scott & Brenda Lebensburger
10	Chuck & Jackie Itzkovitz
11	Leo & Phyllis Finkelstein
11	Mark & Tyra Levine
15	Buddy & Susan Goodman
16	Alan & Cindy Feiler
17	Charley & Maggie Barry
17	Eric & Heidi Scheffer
18	Bob & Dottie Davis
21	Jack & Nicki Benatan
21	Marty & Barbara Stickle
22	Randy & Linda Gergel
23	Basil & Irma Goldman
27	Evan & Ashley Gilreath
29	Hugh & Lara Feinberg
29	Daniel & Ellen Shaw
29	Joshua & Carolyn Sirkin

*Joyeux
Anniversaire*



June 15th is the deadline for the July-August issue of the *Menorah*.
Take advantage of our yearly twin issue and submit your articles early.

Thank you. — **Barbara Jaslow** — menorah@bethhatephila.org — 254-5541



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Your contributions to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund will enable Rabbi Meiri to use it for good works in our community as soon as she and her family join us this Summer. This is a magnificent gesture of our support as she transitions to Beth HaTephila and our community.



Yahrzeits



The Yahrzeit policy at our Temple is as follows:

- ✧ The Anniversary date can be celebrated either in the English calendar or the Hebrew calendar.
- ✧ A letter to remind you about your upcoming Yahrzeit is sent to you two weeks before the actual date.
- ✧ The name of your loved one is read at the Friday evening service immediately before the date of the Yahrzeit.
- ✧ If your Yahrzeit actually falls on a Friday, it will be read the previous Friday.
- ✧ If, for any reason, changes must be made, please call the Office before the scheduled date of service.
- ✧ Please keep the Temple Office informed of any incorrect dates or new dates you wish to include.
- ✧ It is important to give the Office the complete date (month/day/year) and whether it is the English or Hebrew date.
- ✧ Please take a moment to update the Office now. Thank you.

June 6 2008

Winona Bleile
 Eva R. Dave
 Hope Diffenderfer
 David Ford
 Isaac Gradman
 Albert Kaufman
 Marcia Levine
 Emanuel Robinson
 Jack Rosenstein
 Pearl Silverman
 George Tushak
 Rose Weinstein

June 13, 2008

Hannah Myerson Barwald
 Ted Cohen
 Barbara Friedman
 Sara Goldstein
 Rose Greenberg
 Murry E. Itzkovitz
 Milton Lipman
 Ella Marx
 Irving Nathan
 Harvey Penson
 Frank Rosch
 Eli Rosenstein
 Lewis Ross
 Minnie Squire
 William Weinstein

June 20, 2008

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 Art DeZeeuw
 Dorothy Zaikaner Ettinger
 Rose Goldman
 Yetta Greene
 Geraldo Kempenich
 Maurice Herman Leterman
 Leonard Levine
 Sam Levy
 Joseph Lichtenfels
 Robert Missig
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 Emanuel Newman
 Herman Pitter
 Julie Reiss
 Louis Schwartz
 Pearl S. Sher
 Gitel Singer

June 27, 2008

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In case of an emergency after regular office hours, contact Gil Kempenich, President, at 665-1125. If he's not available, please call 280-3800.		

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL APPLICATION FOR 2008 – 2009 SCHOOL YEAR
CLASSES BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2008 ☆ 9:30 A.M. - 12:00 NOON

“OPEN HOUSE/MEET THE TEACHER” AT 9:30 AND AGAIN AT NOON. THEN, PLEASE JOIN OUR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FAMILIES FOR A BYO PICNIC OUT BACK AT NOON.

This is the page we will have immediately available for emergency situations.

Parents' Full Name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home phone: _____

Cell phone(s) or phone number to contact during religious school hours.

Whose phone number is this? (name, relationship): _____

IMPORTANT NOTE: All of our notices during the school year will be sent via email.

Email address(es): _____

Please give us the name of someone local who can be available and is authorized to pick up/ take your child in the event that we can not reach you and there is an emergency. **This may not be a staff member.**

Name Telephone number(s)

Children you wish to register:



Name: _____ sex: M F Hebrew Name: _____

Date of birth: _____ Secular School: _____

Age on October 16, 2008 _____ Grade in secular School (2008-9): _____

Life-threatening allergies? No Yes (explain below)



Name: _____ sex: M F Hebrew Name: _____

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Age on October 16, 2008 _____ Grade in secular School (2008-9): _____

Life-threatening allergies? No Yes (explain below)

Parents:

If there is any additional information that you would like us to know about your child (learning strengths and weakness, special education classifications, physical accommodations) please fill out the optional learning styles form. Do not write on the back of this form. If you have done this in past years, you do not need to do it again.

2008-2009 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FEE AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Are you a temple member? _____ **NOTE:** Children of non-members are welcome to participate in Religious School for the remainder of the school year in which they first enrolled. After that time, the family must join the Temple as members in order to re-enroll their child(ren) for the second and further years of their religious education.

A deposit of **\$50.00 per child** must be received **WITH THE REGISTRATION FORM** to secure a seat for your child in Religious School. (This information applies to *Religious School* as well as to Pre-K.) Please mail or bring your Registration Form and Deposit to:

Congregation Beth Ha Tephila, 43 North Liberty Street, Asheville, NC 28801-1822

TUITION FOR:	NEW STUDENTS AND CBHT MEMBERS Received after 5/4/08	NON-MEMBERS (on a space- available basis)
1 st child	\$350	\$420
2 nd child	\$320	\$400
3 rd child	\$320	\$400
Pre-K 1 st child	\$350	\$420
Pre-K 2 nd child	\$320	\$400

NOTE: The pre-K class could be part time,
depending on the number of students registered.

Total Cost	\$ _____	\$ _____
Less Deposit (\$50/child)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Balance due	\$ _____	\$ _____

For cash flow purposes, we prefer that you pay the entire balance by September 7, 2008. However, if this is not possible, we offer the following:

- 1) Pay half the balance on September 7th and the remainder on or before January 2, 2009.
- 2) Make seven monthly payments from September 2008 through March 2009. This can be done by check or credit card draft (Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover).

Please advise us of any considerations that will enable us to best meet your child's needs. You may inform us in writing or meet with the Director.

In the event of a medical emergency while my child is attending Congregation Beth HaTephila Religious School and parent/legal guardians cannot be contacted, the administration has the authority to take whatever action is necessary to assure prompt medical attention. Congregation Beth HaTephila will not be held financially responsible for emergency transportation and/or treatment of my child.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

Date

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Check _____

Amount	Date of Check	Number
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Please bill my credit card as follows:

Payment Selection: _____ Balance on 9/07/08 _____ Two Payments _____ 7 (seven) Monthly Payments

Credit Card: _____ Visa _____ MasterCard _____ Discover _____ American Express

Credit Card # _____ Exp. Date _____

Name on Credit Card: _____

Billing Address of Credit Card: _____



Congregation Beth HaTephila Sisterhood's

Installation Luncheon & Fashion Show

Sunday, June 8th @ Noon in Unger Hall

\$18 per person

Luncheon by 28806 Catering

(Chicken, Rice Pilaf, Salad, Bread, Award-Winning Cookies, Coffee & Tea)

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Call *Lana Waltzer* (684-9250) with your reservation.

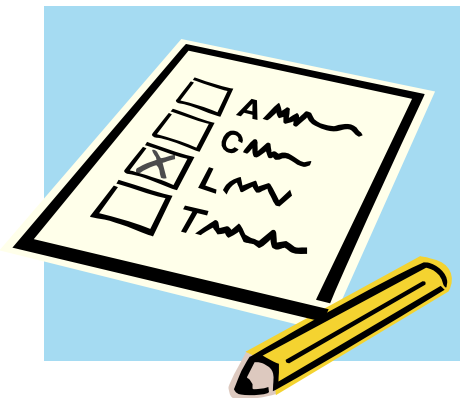
Congregation Beth HaTephila Annual Meeting

Tuesday, June 24th @ 6:30 PM

Unger Hall

Vote on:

- ✓ **Slate of Board Officers & Trustees**
- ✓ **Our Budget**
- ✓ **Proposed changes to by-laws**



Brotherhood Brunch

Sunday June 29, 10 AM

at the Temple, 43 North Liberty Street

Featured Speaker:

A representative of the

Jewish Chautauqua Society

will discuss the History and Future Plans of this dynamic organization as they continue to promote Interfaith Dialog and Understanding

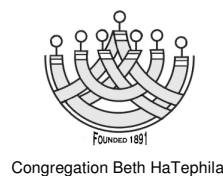
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Bring yourself and your wife or guest,

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Call Temple Office 253-4911 no later than Thursday June 26.

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June 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 1:00 PM The Jewish View of End of Life (Sacred Aging Program) - Cantor Deb, speaker <small>(this is a confirmation event and attendance will be taken)</small>	2 Yom Yerushalayim	3	4 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	5 2:30 PM Sisterhood Board meeting	6 7:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service Gabi Levine Bat Mitzvah	7 10:00 AM Gabi Levine Bat Mitzvah
8	9 OFFICE CLOSED Shavuot	10 1:00 PM Tzedakah Mtg 7:00 PM Brotherhood Mtg (at Rel Sch) 7:00 PM HardLox Meeting	11 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	12	13 7:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service	14 Flag Day
		Cantor Deb in DC on confirmation trip				
15 Father's Day Menorah Deadline	16	17 6:00 PM -9:00 PM Hadassah event open to everyone: dinner/program with Bahia Brenda Abrams, her book, The Other Half of My Soul	18 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	19	20 6:30 PM Tot Shabbat 7:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service	21 Summer begins
	Cantor Deb out					
22	23	24 6:30 PM Annual Meeting Board Meeting (following the Annual Meeting)	25 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	26	27 7:30 PM Brotherhood Shabbat Service	28
29 10:00 AM Brotherhood Brunch - speaker from Jewish Chautauqua Society	30	Congregation Beth HaTephila 828-253-4911 OFFICE CLOSED 6/9 FOR SHAVUOT				

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June Dates to Note

June 1 st	Sacred Aging Program	June 15 th	<i>Menorah</i> Deadline
June 5 th	Sisterhood Meeting-All welcome	June 24 th	CBHT Annual Meeting
June 8 th	Sisterhood Luncheon & Fashion Show	June 29 th	Brotherhood Brunch & Speaker