

## CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM

*Affiliate of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism*

**JULY / AUGUST 2013 - TAMMUZ / AV / ELUL**



# Congregation Beth Shalom Bulletin

June 2013

Havre,

To all of the members of Congregation Beth Shalom, I want to thank all of you for your support of me for the three terms as president of CBS.

The six years(not all of which were consecutive - there was a two year break between my first term and the second) have been filled with an assortment of triumphs and travails. The number of situations that a vast majority of you have come to my assistance for, have been great. The hotly contested election before my last two terms,the support for the negotiations for the Buy-In with Kinnelon and acceptance of that arrangement, have been overwhelming. There are many other things that have gone on, both personally and congregationally, that have both inspired me and caused me much grief.

I must publicly thank the two recording secretaries who worked with me during that time. First, Karla Baig and her sense of humor and devotion to the work we were doing for the congregation. Secondly, to Beverly Berkowitz who handled so many tasks relative to recording all of the minutes of the Board, the Executive Board, the negotiating committee work relative to the Buy-in. Beverly has also been a part of the combined Education Committee and secretary to the Property Management Committee that is now running the building on behalf of both congregations. Without these two ladies it would not have been possible for me to do what we did as a congregation.

To the rest of the various committee chairpersons, I think you so much for your efforts.

- 1) We have had two very unusual and fun Hanukah Mass Menorah Lightings, the establishment of the Gourmet Club and updating the website by David Judovin and his collaborators.
- 2) Having very wonderful High Holiday Services with both congregations, with Rabbi Waldman (our cantor), Rabbi Leighton from JCK and, of course, Rabbi Bockman from CBS. These services would not have gone as well as they had if it were not for the cooperation of both Ritual Committees, with ours being chaired by Howard Youngman and the the other members.
- 3) Jennifer Karasik, who published the Shout Out and bulletin and ran the Kitchen for our dinners as well as working as Chair of our Education Committee.
- 4) The members of the Finance Committee also cannot be denied. Having supplied much needed information for the Buy-in and working with those congregational members to assist with dues and other synagogue problems.
- 5) Public relations with Mered Frankel as Chair and liaison to Pompton Lakes with the Holiday Stroll and Pompton Day.

**CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM**

**Office number 973-835-3500**

**Shabbat Services - Friday 8:00 pm (unless otherwise noted) / Saturday 9:30 am**

**Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 9:30 am – 3:30 pm**

**In the event of a life-cycle emergency, contact  
Rabbi David Bockman at cell (201) 873-2703.  
Rabbi Bockman can also be reached by email:  
Bockmonides@gmail.com**

**MISHABERECHS**

Please let Bea know in the office if there is anyone whom you would like included on our weekly Mishaberech list. Please provide us with their English name, Hebrew name and their mother's Hebrew name as well.

Their name will be kept on the list for one month. If you would like to keep it on longer, please keep us posted on that.

***Buy Script..... A & P, Shop & Stop, and ShopRite.....  
Every purchase supports our Sisterhood and  
Synagogue. Contact Marge Rostoker at 973-839-9497 or  
Bea in the office.***

BJ's membership for CBS has been renewed for 2013. Present members need to go to the membership desk on their next visit and pay their fee and have their cards validated. First time applicants need an authorization slip which can be obtained from Bea the office. If you sign up for a private membership, you are required to purchase a dual household membership at \$50 plus tax. Under CBS' corporate membership, you can receive a single household membership at \$25 with no tax. If you are interested, please contact Bea in the office.

***Want to advertise in the bulletin? Contact Jennifer  
at 201-704-0494 for more information.***

From the Rabbi's Desk

So, it's official now. Two congregations sharing One building with Zero presidents between them!

I worry, of course, about the future of my job when we face such a situation. But even more, it makes me worry about the future of the Jewish community in Northern New Jersey, especially with the rumors about the Lakeland Hills Jewish Center (Ringwood Congregation) decline and our difficulty getting a minyan on certain occasions.

No president?? Will no one feel the impetus to take responsibility for the continuity of Jewish life in our area? I, of course, do just that - I believe that is one of the major defining characteristics of true rabbis. But, having thought about our situation for quite some time, I've got a few ideas that might help, one of which I'll explore here.

People have been talking for quite some time about the demise of Judaism. I don't think we really need to worry about that. There are more than enough Jews, especially observant Jews, to carry our people forward into future generations. What that situation says about LOCAL Judaism in our area, however, is not so happy. The trend seems to favor larger and more active enclaves of observance in certain special areas, while the vast number of smaller congregations across the nation (including our area) disappear. The model of the post WWII era - a suburban shul in every town for its local Jews - is simply no longer the norm it once was. We can hardly count on inertia to maintain our congregational base any longer.

We can no longer count on the local walking community of Jews in the neighborhood to keep us going - they simply aren't there. And among our members (with whom I am not unhappy with, by the way), the wealthy big donors simply do not exist.

The lucky part of this trend, however, is that people are much more willing to travel to a synagogue or places they feel to be worthwhile than before (especially on shabbat or holidays, not to mention to attend weekday programs). We can, I believe, have a new and vital existence as a **destination shul**, a place for people to come because they want to, because they feel they can find in our home things they can't really find elsewhere. In the contemporary world, it is no longer the JC Penney's and McDonalds that draws people, but rather the unique boutiques and special restaurants that fetch people from miles away to seek out places they want to go. If we put our heads and hearts together, I trust we can become a **community of intention** rather than the local default outlet.

In the near future, we should work to find what it is that warms *our* kishkes enough that other people would want to buy into it. I am fairly confident that we can work together to get that vision out into the world and ensure our longevity - not because we HAVE to, but because our shul is a place, a group, an idea, a home that we love.

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6. To Abe Goll, Bob Yenck, and Lester Wolfson working as Building Committee people and transitioning over to the Tenants in Common Committee. (This is the combined building committee along with members of the Kinnelon Building committee). Their task is very time consuming and it will probably take some time before we all see the results of their work.

7. There is a small group of people who represented us to the Jewish Federation of North Jersey in Paramus as we made a presentation to the Synagogue Leadership Initiative about the Buy-in with JCK, Diane Dalton, Beverly Berkowitz, Sol Goldenberg (from JCK), Debbie Lees and myself.

8 To the members of Sisterhood and their programming, thank you for continuing the work you have done for so many years.

9. Diane Dalton, when Rabbi Bockman is not present, conducts services.

I would be remiss if I did not mention Bea Katz, our Office Manager/Administrator. I would call and get the information that was needed or have a project done and she was always there and very helpful.

I would also be remiss if I did not mention Ann, our Jack of all Trades Custodian who cleaned up the building after some years of neglect as well as helped Kinnelon move into the building. She makes sure that roof leaks are contained when our Sanctuary showers occur either after a snow fall or during a rain. I know that the Nursery School is very thankful that she is with us again.

What can I say about our Rabbi? There are times that some of us do not agree with what he does, but that is the nature of the job. Rabbi Bockman listens, asks and offers advice to all members of the congregation. He has with his sense of humor made Purim a unique adventure when reading the Magillah, the monthly Saturday luncheons after services, the Seders, playing shofar at Pompton Day with modern melodies. I have found him to be a wealth of knowledge, a guidance counselor and just a plain nice guy. The musical programs in the Shul with Rabbi Bockman and his jazz group, have been a breath of fresh air.

I also must posthumously recognize Alan Lovitch, who for so many years was a member of so many committees and offices. Rest in Peace Alan.

I do hope that I did not leave anyone out, and if I did, I apologize whole-heartedly. Lately, with some personal issues, it is just easy to forget things.

I do find the fact that no one has stepped forward to take over the office of President and some other important positions, very disheartening. But congregational life goes on.

Again, thank you all for having the faith in me to do my job of representing Congregation Beth Shalom for all of this time.

Larry Tornow  
Immediate Past President

## *Did you know?*

The next Gourmet Club will be on August 4th at 5:30 PM. The hosts will be the Daltons and the Judovins.

The theme is **MEXICAN**.

If you'd like more information, please contact David Judovin at judsons@optonline.net or 973-962-4591 Experience the fun!



## **MEMBER UPDATES**

### **Get Well:**

**Morris and Frieda Friedmann**

**Fran Green**

**Mary Greenberg**

**Anita & Sol Maizel**

**Leo Raven**

**Bob Yenik**

**Marilyn Judovin**

### **Mazel Tov to:**

Mildred Nochimson on the celebration of her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday in July with best wishes for many, many more

Thelma and Herb Kalmeyer on their move to Cedar Crest, Pompton Plains

### **Congratulations to:**

Patty Shwartz on her appointment as a federal judge for the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

Debbie and Lou Lees on Alyson's graduation from Kean College with a Bachelor of Arts in Biology

Susan and Brian Grosser on Matthew's graduation from Pace University with a Bachelor of Arts in Finance with a minor in Law.

Debi and Joe Fischer on Laura (Bachelor of Arts in Psychology) and Jason's (Bachelor of Science in Exercise Physiology) graduation from William Paterson University

Anita and Ted Fischer on grandchildren, Laura (Bachelor of Arts in Psychology) and Jason's (Bachelor of Science in Exercise Physiology) graduation from William Paterson University

Barbara and Abe Goll on Jeffrey's graduation from the University of Wisconsin with a Masters in Engineering for Professional Practice

Sandy and Bob Yenik on granddaughter, Samantha's graduation from Monmouth University with a Masters in Social Work

### **Condolences to:**

Mary Greenberg on the passing of her beloved husband, Irv Greenberg

Larry Tornow on the passing of his beloved sister, Bertha Berman

Vivian Lovitch on the passing of her beloved husband, Alan Lovitch

Jennifer and Jessica Karasik on the passing of beloved father & grandfather, Bill Harris

**My message:**

I apologize that this bulletin is so late. I had it done at the beginning of June, but as most of you know, my dad passed away. Then my computer crashed and I lost the bulletin that I had completed. So, I had to recreate it ..... Next one will be out in August for the holidays, etc. Thanks for your understanding and patience.

I would also like to thank all of you that made your way up to Ringwood while my family and I sat Shiva. We truly appreciated it. Also, thank you for all the donations given in honor of my dad and Jessica's grandfather.

**Jen & Jessica**

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**JULY**

5	JCK Family Shabbat service led by Rabbi Leighton	6:30 PM
	CBS Regular service led by Rabbi Bockman	8:00 PM
6	Shabbat morning services followed by a Kiddush lunch sponsored by Rabbi Bockman, Vicki and Theo	9:30 AM
11	Board of Directors meeting	7:30 PM
12	Services led by Rabbi Bockman	8:00 PM
13	Shabbat morning services	9:30 AM
19	Services led by Rabbi Leighton	8:00 PM
20	Shabbat morning services	8:00 PM
23	Book Club - <u>The Romance Reader</u> by Pearl Abraham	7:30 PM
26	Services led by Rabbi Bockman	8:00 PM
27	Shabbat morning services	9:30 AM

<b>C A L E N D A R</b>	<b>AUGUST</b>		
	2	JCK Family Shabbat service led by Rabbi Leighton	6:30 PM
		Regular service led by Rabbi Bockman	8:00 PM
	3	Shabbat morning services followed by a Kiddush lunch sponsored by Rabbi Bockman, Vicki and Theo	9:30 AM
	5	Yizkor Memorial Book information due	
	8	Board of Directors meeting	7:30 PM
	9	Services led by Rabbi Bockman	8:00 PM
	10	Shabbat morning services	9:30 AM
	16	Services led by Rabbi Leighton	8:00 PM
	17	Shabbat morning services	9:30AM
	23	Friday night services led by Rabbi Bockman	8:00 PM
	24	Shabbat morning services	9:30 AM

**Wednesdays - Rabbi's Israeli Dancing 7:30 PM**

**Friday night Shabbat services followed by Oneg Shabbat 8:00 PM**

Unless otherwise noted

**Shabbat morning services 9:30 AM**

**YAHREZITS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY – TAMMUZ / AV**

**YAHREZITS to be read on JULY 5 + 6**

William Joslin, father of Sandy Yenk  
Harry Reiss, brother-in-law of Renee Reiss  
Sadie Greenetz, mother of Mimi Gitomer and grandmother of Diane Dalton  
Clara Singer, grandmother of Bea Katz  
Albert Kessock, brother of Roselyn Fields  
Marthe Raven, sister of Leo Raven  
Aimee Cohen, mother of Mary Greenberg

**YAHREZITS to be read on JULY 12 + 13**

Archie Ezorsky, father of Maxine Berger  
Harold Judovin, father of David Judovin  
Gerson Isenberg, father of Nancy Freifeld and grandfather of Tara Freifeld  
Bernard Cohen, husband of Sue Charnet  
Eleanor Lewis, sister-in-law of Leo Raven  
Sam Klein, father of Norman Klein  
Rose Berkowitz, mother of Anita Maizel

**YAHREZITS to be read on JULY 19 + 20**

Barry Berkowitz, husband of Beverly Berkowitz  
June Ellin, sister-in-law of Vivian Weiss  
Etta Judovin, mother of David Judovin

**YAHREZITS to be read on JULY 26 + 27**

Joseph Teich, brother of Vivian Lovitch  
Sydney Berkowitz, father of Joan Krantz  
Frank Goldberg, father of Phyllis Gaines  
Benjamin Singer, father of Mildred Nochimson  
Barbara Rock, sister of Michael Rock  
Celia Steinberg, mother of Phyllis Brettschneider  
Sarah Brettschneider, mother of Irv Brettschneider  
Mike Greenetz, father of Mimi Gitomer and grandfather of Diane Dalton



**Yahrzeits for the Month of August – Av / Elul**

**Yahrzeits to be read on August 2 + 3**

David Dover, father of Jill Berson  
Meyer Jeshion, father of Michael Jeshion  
Harry Corn, father-in-law of Leo Raven  
Ann Lovitch, mother-in-law of Vivian Lovitch  
Sam Bostwick, father of Eileen Grosser and grandfather of Brian Grosser  
Rita Raven, wife of Leo Raven  
Bernard Corn, brother-in-law of Leo Raven

**Yahrzeits to be read on August 9 + 10**

Rose Freifeld, mother of Daniel Freifeld and grandmother of Tara Freifeld  
Dick Fischer, husband of Sydelle Fischer  
Joseph J. Maizel, brother of Sol Maizel  
Arthur Berger, brother of Barry Berger  
Celia Gelman-Edelman, mother of Ellen Rosen

**Yahrzeits to be read on August 16 + 17**

Louis Axelrod, father of Beverly Berkowitz  
Rose Wolfson, mother of Lester Wolfson  
Carroll Stanley, father of Len Stanley  
Dr. Theodore Silverman, father of Nathalie Einhorn  
Barry Wasserman, brother of Allen Wasserman  
Bessie Grosser, mother of Anita Fischer and Edward Grosser &  
grandfather of Joe Fischer and Brian Grosser  
Andor Rosenberg, father of Sue Charnet  
Felix Kalmeyer, father of Herb Kalmeyer  
Ed Reiss, husband of Renee Reiss  
Jack Altman, father of Fran Teitelbaum

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**Yahrzeits to be read on AUGUST 23 + 24**

Mary Yenk, mother of Robert Yenk  
Alvin Schwartzman, husband of Paulette Schwartzman  
Mitchel Grushkin, father of Peri Rosamilia  
Jacob Teich, father of Vivian Lovitch  
Fanny Teich, mother of Vivian Lovitch  
Eva Fischer, mother-in-law of Sydelle Fischer  
Charles Levy, brother of Renee Reiss  
Sam Goldberg, father of Roz Weiss  
Morris Gladstein, father-in-law of Renee Gladstein

**Yahrzeits to be read on AUGUST 30 + AUGUST 31**

Sylvia Berkowitz, mother of Joan Krantz  
Kate Wolfson, late wife of Lester Wolfson

**Congregation Beth Shalom  
Sisterhood's  
Annual  
PROJECT INTERFAITH  
Food and Coat Drive**



*Drop off gently used coats and any  
currently dated food items in the lobby.*

*Your donations will benefit families  
in our area.*

**Food drive: ONGOING**

**Questions?**  
**Call Vivian Lovitch at 973-835-0107**

*Thanks to all for their past contributions to the  
food drive for the community. It is our hope that  
CBS will continue to provide the non-perishable  
foods to maintain our involvement with this es-  
sential program. Please continue to bring warm  
coats and jackets, adult and children sizes, to be  
distributed to those in need.*

Thank you to all who brought a  
dish and attended the  
Torah Fund Supper.

Special thanks to those of you that  
gave donations to the Fund!  
Shelly Foster

**Buy A Brick Fundraising  
Campaign**

Join us in perpetuating the memory  
of Rabbi Bernard Schechter and Mrs.  
Rina Schechter by purchasing an en-  
graved brick in their memory. For  
more information, please contact  
the office at 973-835-3500.

**TEMPLE FUND**

Lois Goldstein, in memory of beloved mother, Dorothy Johnson	Shelley Foster; Sandy & Bob Yenik
Thelma Kalmeyer, Speedy recovery	Blossom Lerner; Vivian & Alan Lovitch
Marge and Earl Rostoker, Dawn's speedy recovery	Vivian & Alan Lovitch
Rabbi Bockman, in memory of beloved father, Dan Bockman	Lainie & Harvey Rosen
Arnie and Paula Rogoff, in memory of beloved son, Dr. Eric Rogoff	Sandy & Bob Yenik
Carol and Brian Gordon, Mazel Tov on the birth of twin grandsons	Sandy & Bob Yenik
Carol and Brian Gordon, Mazel Tov on Eli's engagement to Lauren	Sandy & Bob Yenik
Jill & Richard Berson, Mazel Tov on Laura engagement	Sandy & Bob Yenik
Bardash Family, Mazel Tov on Lonny and Randi's marriage	Sandy & Bob Yenik and family
Harold Gordon, Speedy recovery	Sandy & Bob Yenik
Phyllis Altschuler & family, in memory of beloved husband, father & grandfather, Abe Altschuler	Phyllis & Irv Brettschneider
Bernice Kimmel & family, in memory of beloved husband, father & grandfather, Martin Kimmel	Phyllis & Irv Brettschneider
Abe Goll, Speedy recovery	Ellen & Phil Steuer
Patty Shwartz, Congratulations on appointment as Federal Judge for the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit	Barbara & Abe Goll
Janet Rishty, in memory of beloved husband, Ray Rishty	CBS Bowling League
Karen, Scott and Michelle Gruber, in memory of beloved mother and grandmother	Sandy & Bob Yenik
Larry Tornow, in memory of beloved sister, Bertha Berman	
	Barbara & Abe Goll; Sharyn & Stewart Nadel; Phyllis & Irv Brettschneider;
	Ellen & Phil Steuer; Sandy & Bob Yenik; Sue Charnet

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**TEMPLE FUND continued**

Mary Greenberg in memory of beloved husband, Irv Greenberg Vivian Weiss

Vivian Lovitch, in memory of beloved husband, Alan Lovitch  
Vivian Weiss; Jennifer Karasik; Sidney & Ivan Round; Eleanor & Bill Osborn  
Linda & Rick Rosenbluth; Sharyn & Stewart Nadel

Jennifer Karasik, in memory of beloved father, William Harris  
Sharyn & Stewart Nadel; Phyllis & Irv Brettschneider; Janis Levine

Larry Tornow, Congratulations on your years of service & dedication to CBS Marilyn & Michael Jeshion

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**BARI GOLDSTEIN SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Lois Goldstein, in memory of beloved mother, Dorothy Johnson  
Ellen & Phil Steuer; Vivian Weiss; Leslie & Alan Kantrowitz

Kim Klein, in memory of beloved grandmother, Dorothy Johnson Leslie & Alan Kantrowitz

In honor of her mother's yahrzeit, Jeanette Shafman Jill Stein

Mary Greenberg in memory of beloved husband, Irv Greenberg  
Shelley Foster; Lois Goldstein; Leslie & Alan Kantrowitz

Larry Tornow, in memory of beloved sister, Bertha Berman Lois Goldstein; Leslie & Alan Kantrowitz

Vivian Lovitch, in memory of beloved husband, Alan Lovitch Lois Goldstein; Leslie & Alan Kantrowitz

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**ELIOT SAKOLSKY SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Thelma Kalmeyer, Speedy recovery Harvey Sakolsky

Carol and Brian Gordon, Mazel Tov on the birth of twin grandsons Harvey Sakolsky

Mary Greenberg, in memory of beloved husband, Irv Greenberg Bill & Harvey Sakolsky

David Blumenthal, Speedy recovery Bill & Harvey Sakolsky

Greenberg family, in memory of Eddie Bill & Harvey Sakolsky

Vivian Lovitch, in memory of beloved husband, Alan Lovitch Bill & Harvey Sakolsky

Jennifer Karasik, in memory of beloved father, William Harris Bill & Harvey Sakolsky

Dan Freifeld, in honor of "special" birthday Bill & Harvey Sakolsky  
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## **Congratulations to our new CBS Board of Directors and Trustees**

**1st Vice President—Jennifer Karasik**  
**Budget & Finance—Herb Kalmeyer**  
**Recording Sec - Bev Berkowitz**  
**Membership - Rose Lynn Winters**  
**Ritual - Howard Youngman**  
**Programming - David Judovin**  
**Parliamentarian - Mered Frankel**  
**Education - Jennifer Karasik**  
**Cemetery - Louis Katz**  
**Library - Ellen Steuer**  
**Immediate Past President - Larry Tornow**

### **Trustees**

**Bill Baig, Diane Dalton, Abe Goll, David Judovin, Herb Kalmeyer, Thelma Kalmeyer, Blossom Lerner, Marge Rostoker, Phil Steuer**


### **Past Presidents' Council**

**Dr. Louis Lees, Barbara Goll, Lou Katz, Sandra Yen,**  
**Lester Wolfson, Larry Tornow**

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## **Congratulations to our renewed Sisterhood Officers and Chairpersons**

**Membership Vice President - Sharyn Nadel**  
**Paid Up Membership - Jennifer Karasik**  
**Social Action Vice President - Vivian Lovitch**  
**Fundraising Vice President - Beverly Berkowitz**  
**Programming Vice President - Ellen Steuer & Marge Rostoker**  
**Recording Secretary - Doris Katz**  
**Social Secretary - Alice Spira**  
**Treasurer - Bea Katz**  
**Chairpersons:**  
**Golden Books A-M - Debbie Lees**  
**Golden Books N-Z - Alice Spira**  
**Scrip - Marge Rostoker**  
**Gift Shop - Debbie Lees**  
**Wine Sale - Marge Rostoker**  
**Parliamentarian - Sandy Yen**  
**Oneg Shabbats - Jennifer Karasik**  
**Birthdaygrams - Vivian Lovitch**  
**CBS Board Liaison - Bea Katz**  
**Torah Fund - Shelley Foster**



Candle Lighting Times for Pompton Lakes 07442		
July	5	8:15pm
July	12	8:12pm
July	19	8:08pm
July	26	8:02pm
August	2	7:55pm
August	9	7:47pm
August	16	7:37pm
August	23	7:27pm
August	30	7:16pm



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