



CONGREGATION
Beth Ami

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Shofar

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MAY/JUNE 2011

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**RECYCLE
REUSE
RENEW**

May 14 & 15
Unwaste
Collection
Flea Market
Bake Sale
BBQ
Jump House

*See flier on page 10
and back cover
for more information*

All proceeds will benefit the
Religious School and Beth Ami
operating budgets.

**Annual Yom Hashoah Commemoration
Enduring Voices: Living Memories
Sunday, May 1, 2-4 pm at the Friedman Center**

Moving stories of surviving the Holocaust, told by children, grandchildren and the survivors themselves, will highlight Sonoma County's annual community-wide Yom Hashoah commemoration. The event will also feature music, candle lighting by Sonoma County's Holocaust survivors – each escorted by a teen, and a reading of the winning essay of the Susy Rafal Student Essay Contest. Special yellow Holocaust memorial candles will be available for attendees for lighting at home. It is free and open to the public.



THURSDAY, JUNE 2

Annual BBQ, 6 pm
Membership Meeting, 7:30 pm
ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ha Yom Hagadol (The Big Day!)
Sunday, June 26

Enjoy Great Food, Friendship and
Fundraising
Multiple Venues – Throughout the Day
Something for Everyone!
Watch for Details

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Hours of Operation

Beth Ami Main Office

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 10 am-4 pm

Closed on Wednesdays

Library

Sunday, 9 am-12 noon

Tuesday, 4-6 pm

Gift Shop

Sunday, 10 am-12 noon

Thursday, 11 am-1 pm

Tuesday, 4-6 pm

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Congregation Beth Ami Mission Statement

Through celebration, learning, prayer and community, we seek to enrich our lives, transform our hearts, help heal the world and sustain our Jewish heritage.

Congregation Beth Ami Vision

A vibrant, growing campus for Jewish living where the joys of Jewish values and rituals are made accessible and relevant to the everyday lives of our members.

A flourishing, prospering congregation enjoying the wholehearted support, commitment and involvement of all our members.

Deadline for June/July Shofar: May 20

All editorial submissions must be received in the Shofar box in the Beth Ami office or via email on or before the deadline. All submissions are subject to editing for clarity, brevity and content. Please submit articles as Microsoft Word documents via email attachments. Contact Karen Gould, 360-3000 or newsletter@bethamirs.org with corrections, concerns or questions.

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RABBI'S REMARKS

Rabbi George Schlesinger

These next two months are filled with events that span the gamut of Jewish history. We have the opportunity to observe and celebrate the earliest of Jewish holidays as well as the most recent.

Beginning on May 1, the Jewish community of Sonoma County and around the world will gather to observe Yom HaSho'ah v'HaGevurah: Holocaust and Resistance Day. Most people know it only by the first words: Yom HaSho'ah: Holocaust Memorial Day, but the second part of the name is just as important. It's a day to also remember the resistance against the Nazis in which the Jews of Europe engaged. From the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising to the revolt in the Sobibor death camp, from the Partisan fighters in the forests to the membership in various underground resistance movements, Jews fought against their oppressors. It wasn't only a matter of "sheep to the slaughter." All too often, the perception is that Jews never fought back, that nothing was done to hamper the Nazi effort to destroy the Jewish people. All of us know of the Warsaw Ghetto, but there were plenty of other examples of Jews fighting for their lives. We must not forget them or their courage.

One week later, we have two consecutive days giving us the opportunity to remember both the struggle and the successes of the State of Israel. On Monday, May 9, we observe Yom HaZikaron: Israel's memorial day. It's a day that remembers all those who have fallen in Israel's struggle to exist: her soldiers, her civilian casualties of war, and her victims of terror. When the air raid sirens sound that morning, the entire country comes to a standstill. Car and buses stop and their drivers get out and stand at attention. People stop in mid-conversation and stand as statues in the street. For two minutes (and you cannot imagine how long that feels) the country pauses to remember the tremendous toll that has been taken in order to have a country of our own, to have a place where Jewish life thrives and where Jews can still be "a light unto the nations." It is a very sad and emotional day.

Of course, at sundown on Yom HaZikaron, the mood changes and Israel begins the celebration of Yom Haatzma'ut: Israel Independence Day on May 10. This year, we celebrate Israel's 63rd day of Independence. Each year there, however, the celebration is tempered by the realization that Israel's independence and survival remains tenuous and uncertain. Each year there is the reminder that Israel is still "at war" with both Arab nations and the Palestinians. And as much as there are various factions in Israel with very different ideas of how to achieve peace with the Arab world, there is total agreement that peace is the path to pursue and that Israel cannot survive without it.

With each passing year, the "miracle" of Israel grows

As Debbie Friedman wrote in one of her songs:
*So when it's time to celebrate
Chag HaShavu'ot
We all rejoice 'cause the Torah's
ours to study, teach and quote
Had we not made the promise to
be chosen and to choose
Remember that there wouldn't
be a people called the
Jews.*

larger and larger. As a student in Hebrew School, I vividly remember our congregation's celebration of Israel's Bat Mitzvah year...50 years ago. I remember the excitement of those who had witnessed the birth of the state and how thrilled they were that Israel had reached her Bat Mitzvah year. I continue to marvel each year at all that Israel has accomplished even though she continues to face challenges unlike any other country in the world.

Of course, we have the opportunity to celebrate Lag B'Omer on May 22. The origins of this day are clothed in various legends and tradition. There is very little hard evidence as to why we celebrate this holiday. The legends surround Rabbi Akiba and his students at the time of the second great revolt against Rome in 135 CE. Was there a plague? Did the Jews fool the Romans by posing as hunters with bows and arrows? Were the thousands of students killed? Of all our holidays there is more disagreement about this one than any other.

Finally, the spring season ends with Shavu'ot (June 8 and 9), the early summer harvest festival and the day upon which we believe God spoke to us at Mt. Sinai giving us the 10 Commandments and the Torah. I've said it before (and I usually get into a mild argument about it) but I believe that although Shavu'ot is perhaps the most ignored of the major holidays, it remains the most important of them all. Without the events at Sinai, without the Torah and 10 Commandments, we Jews would have been unnoticed by history. Our ancestors would have been no more than another wandering Bedouin tribe in the Sinai wilderness. The ethical and moral teachings that we find in the Torah (and later Rabbinic Judaism), the commandments regarding all the other holidays including Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur, the concept of Shabbat...a day of rest, the laws of Kashrut...we know all these because of the events at Mt. Sinai ON SHAVU'OT.

On the eve of Shavu'ot it is customary to stay up all night and to study passages from all different sources of Jewish knowledge to show God that we are ready to receive a new revelation. Just as our people were poised to hear God's "voice" at Sinai, so too, are we ready to hear God's "voice" once again. And in the morning service of the first day of the holiday, we read the 10 Commandments to remind us of the events 3300 years ago.

How unfortunate it is that this holiday is so forgotten and ignored. The events that it commemorates are at the very essence and core of our religion.

I wish you a very happy spring season filled with moments of celebration and joy.



EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our new member
Diane Brown



Directory update: Barbara Duchon's new email address is duchonb@gmail.com.



Mazal Tov u'siman Tov

To Douglas and Sharon Kruschen on the birth of their daughter, Sarah Lily. She was born on March 26 and weighed in at 5 lbs 15 oz and was 19.25 inches long.

To Nancy & Andy Fleming on the marriage of their son, Jacob.



To our Bat Mitzvah, Anna Whitaker.

Misheberach

Bless those in need of healing with refu'ah sh'layma
The renewal of body, the renewal of spirit
Helen Margolese, Lydia Ross, Mazie Miller

We offer sincere condolences to

Helen Margolese, Irwin Margolese,
Michelle and Paul Zygielbaum and their
extended families upon Art Margolese's passing.



IMPORTANT DATES



Tuesday, May 3 & 17 at 7 pm: Board Meeting,
Multipurpose Room

May 9: **Yom HaZikaron**, Israeli Memorial Day

May 10: **Yom Haatzma'ut**, Israeli Independence Day

May 22: **Lag B'Omer**, the 33rd day of the Omer Count

**Thursday, June 2: Annual BBQ at 6 pm and Member-
ship Meeting at 7:30 pm.** The BBQ is free!



Celebrate Tot Shabbat with
Lauren Kalmanson
Saturdays, May 21 & June 18
10 am

Ongoing programs at Beth Ami

CONTEMPORARY JEWISH ISSUES WITH
RABBI SCHLESINGER, Sundays, 11 am

HEBREW

Private lessons or small classes tailored to the traveler, scholar, or Hebrew school dropout.

All faiths, all levels, all ages welcome.

Esther Baruch, 528-2265 or esther@pacific.net.

ALEF isn't enough; BET isn't tough!

Study Modern Hebrew from the source with a native Israeli. All levels, the easy way, including prayers and chanting Torah tropes. Call Ahuva Simon-Sa'ar, 545-2454.

ISRAELI FOLK DANCING

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Friedman Center. For more info contact Leanne Schy, 528-4874 or Leanne@sonic.net.

MIDRASH STUDY WITH RABBI SCHLESINGER

2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 10 am

TORAH & TALMUD STUDY WITH

RABBI SCHLESINGER

Thursdays, 7 pm, Friedman Center Board Room.

The 28th Annual Book Discussion Series 2010-2011



Our next discussion will be held on Wednesday, May 4 in the Multipurpose Room of Congregation Beth Ami. We will discuss *Prophet's Wife*, by Milton Steinberg. The discussion will be led by Susanne Batzdorff. The remaining program for the season:

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| 8) <i>The Help</i> , by Kathryn Stockett | June 1 |
| 9) <i>Crossing Mandelbaum Gate</i> , by Kai Bird | July 6 |

New members are always welcome.

Any questions? Call Susanne Batzdorff at 538-9731 or email her at sbatz@sonic.net.



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Our family would like to express sincere appreciation and gratitude to all of you for your thoughts and support after the loss of our husband and father, Leo. We have shared all of the cards, letters, and donation notices, and feel so humbled by the kind actions of our Caring Community. We truly appreciate what you have done for all of us.

B'shalom,
Evelyn Gurevitch
Elly & Len Cohen
Russ & Terry Gurevitch



What can you do? – Volunteer!

Each of us has something we can give to our congregation. Here are some ways you can give of your time, whether you can commit to few hours on a regular basis or just help out when you are available.



- **Send acknowledgements for donations to CBA.** Once a week pick up the information and cards from the Beth Ami office, fill out the cards, and mail them. This can be done at home. The only requirement is that your handwriting be readable.
- **Office filing.** Every week or two spend about an hour in the synagogue office helping Elizabeth with filing.
- **Come when called.** From time to time we need help with projects, such as stuffing envelopes or setting up for an event. Add your name to a list we can call when help is needed and come in if you are available.
- **Recruit volunteers.** We need someone to coordinate recruiting of volunteers. Carolyn Metz will train anyone who offers to do this.
- **Coordinate Shabbat potluck lunches.** Make sure there is at least one person in charge of setup and cleanup for the potlucks. You do not have to come every week; just make sure there is someone to oversee the potluck each week.

As Rabbi Schlesinger wrote in the March/April Shofar, for our congregation to move forward we need to “respond to the call of your congregation.”

If you can do any of the above please contact:

Betty Boyd, 537-2211 BettyBoyd@InformingScience.org
Carolyn Metz, 360-3011 execdirector@bethamir.org



Kitchen Committee

Thanks to the many enthusiastic volunteers, we made over 800 Hamantashen for the Purim Spiel and for Purim. We have many people interested in baking for CBA. With that interest in mind, and the discussions over the use of CBA kitchen, a Kitchen Committee was formed. There was a meeting in March to initiate the new Kitchen Committee, which is under the Religious Practices Committee. Jeffrey Stein-Larson is the coordinator of the Kitchen Committee and Betty Boyd is the Religious Practices Chairperson. Besides using the CBA kitchen for kosher cooking for events for the synagogue, there are ideas for a ‘kitchen club’ to meet regularly and prepare favorite dairy or pareve recipes in the kitchen (maybe a cook book in the process?) If you are interested in joining this committee or you would like to see the minutes of the last meeting, just contact us.

Janet & Jeffrey, JSL2602@sonic.net

Betty Boyd, bettyboyd@InformingScience.org

California honors Holocaust survivors

The California State Assembly is honoring Holocaust survivors with a pledge to archive a 10 minute video interview of each survivor. Our own **Avi Ballo** is conducting and videoing that interview of **Lillian Judd**. Avi, Lillian and I will be guests of Assemblyperson Michael Allen and his aide Joanne Cohn at a ceremony in the Assembly chambers in Sacramento on May 2.

It is great to know that our elected state leaders are honoring the Jewish community with such a great, ambitious project.

~Rick Concoff



Bake Sale May 15

The Beth Ami Religious School is holding a community wide Rummage Sale/Recycling/Fundraising event May 14 and 15. On Sunday, May 15 we'll also have a bake sale. If you could please contribute to the bake sale it would really be appreciated. You can

bake anytime between now and the event. We can freeze and store. Please let me know if you can contribute. I would even be willing to pick up your contribution ahead of time.

Please contact Julie Simkovitz, 495-9962.

IN APPRECIATION OF RABBI SCHLESINGER

For the past 10 years, it has been our privilege to have had George Schlesinger as our Rabbi. From the moment he entered the Beth Ami sanctuary, our spiritual lives have been altered. Rabbi Schlesinger led our congregation with great intelligence and knowledge. His keen understanding of Jewish life illuminated a Jewish approach to the current world in which we live. He has also given us the great gift of music.

For years, more often than not we didn't have a Minyan at Friday night services. When Rabbi Schlesinger came in 2001, a small but mighty group of congregants gathered to sing and pray on Friday evenings. Soon our group began to grow, with music playing an important role in the change. The Rabbi gave us gorgeous new melodies for many of our prayers enriching our spiritual lives.

Rabbi Schlesinger started Shabbat Family dinners which have become a Beth Ami tradition. He wrote our Family Shabbat Siddur, geared to both kids and adults. At the back are many songs to choose from, and when the Rabbi starts strumming, we have a chance to experience the joy of singing together. When he sings with the nursery school children on Friday morning or with the religious school on Sunday for Havdalah, our children are enchanted and very quickly learn the tunes and the prayers.

Rabbi was very excited six years ago when he discovered the Norman Roth Purim Spiel scripts which are all based on musical genres. Since then, our musical Purim Spiels have become the most anticipated event of the year.

Those of you who attend traditional Friday night services have become very aware of his concern for everything that is going on in the world. His sermons surprise us, move us, and educate us. They raise our level of awareness of how living a Jewish life can make a difference. We thank him for his openness to all sorts of non-traditional services, including meditation services, Sunday morning meditation sessions, alternative musical services, and pre-Shabbat Saturday morning service discussions.

Rabbi Schlesinger has been there when you need him both for good times and sad times. Funerals or weddings, B'nai Mitzvot, at the hospital or at home, when a congregant is ill, or just to talk about something personal. If you ask, he has always been able to make time.

Talmud classes, Torah classes, bible study, B'nai Mitzvot training, conversion classes, Sunday morning discussions, introduction to Hebrew – those of you, who have participated in our adult education programs with Rabbi Schlesinger, will agree that his knowledge and ability to inform us is extraordinary. He can usually respond to the on-the-spot question you might have with back-up information and will tell you when he doesn't know the answer.

He has kept us abreast of what is happening in the Jewish community and our local community at large. We have looked forward to our yearly interfaith Thanksgiving service with Church of the Roses and our affiliation with the North Bay Sponsoring Committee has brought many of us together to begin the process of knowing our fellow congregants and our neighboring religious communities. Rabbi Schlesinger realized the potential of the organization encouraged Beth Ami to participate.

Paula and George began their work here, by opening up their home to us. In the beginning, one could drop by after services on Saturday. Once a year, we gather in the Schlesinger back yard for food and conversation with our fellow congregants. Paula never cooked a Passover meal without inviting someone who might be alone. The Rabbi even took one Shabbat a month off to have congregants come for Shabbat dinner. There are no words to express the loss that many of us will feel.

In Rabbi Schlesinger's letter in the last Shofar, he stated "Beth Ami needs you now perhaps more than ever. Each of you has an opportunity to help create a dynamic and exciting Jewish presence, and I urge you to become more involved and more dedicated to Beth Ami. With your help, I believe Beth Ami has a bright future and will continue to offer a warm, caring spiritual home for the many who seek it. ... No rabbi, no synagogue president, and no Board of Trustees can do this alone, without the commitment of all its members. ... Beth Ami needs you to attend synagogue as eagerly as you wish to have a synagogue."

We could not say this any better.

Bonnie Boren
Dave Ballo
Co-Presidents





CAROLYN'S COMMENTS

Carolyn Metz, Executive Director

Dear Friends,

As we emerge from darkness of winter to enjoy light and glimpses of beauty in our spectacular physical surroundings, so I feel we are coalescing as a congregation toward a consensus of planning for the future sustainability of Congregation Beth Ami:

The gathering on April 12 to hear the findings of the various Study Groups was a civil affair, even with expression of divergent opinions;

Members of the Budget Committee are working diligently to construct a budget for 2011-12 that has us living within our means (barring any unforeseen disasters);

A Search Committee has been weighing merits of the best process for hiring a part-time rabbi and the Religious Practices Committee is close to securing a Cantor for the High Holy Days;

The Board of Directors meets every two weeks and is focused on how we get to the end of this tumultuous year with dignity, respect and the promise of recreating our beloved and battered synagogue;

We have neither a specific plan in place nor goals yet for next year, but we have been able to establish a sense of purpose, transparency, open dialogue and civil discussion among current (and prospective) leadership as well as between members and "the Board." Many thanks to **Bonnie Boren** and **David Ballo** for being willing to step forward as Co-Presidents for the remaining months of this fiscal year!

There is still much work ahead for us – we hope you will join us all along the way: accept a nomination to the Board, join a committee when asked, give us your feedback and ideas. Meaningful change always starts from the inside and moves out. I believe we have begun to make such change at Beth Ami, and that, as a community, we will develop consensus about a future in which we live with joy, integrity and confidence in our choices.

Best regards, Carolyn

TODAH RABAH!

Dave Ballo & Bonnie Boren, Co-Presidents

On behalf of the board of directors, Bonnie and I would like to thank the chairs and participants of the committees that explored the options and recommendations of the Task Force for the Future. The summaries from each committee were presented at the town hall meeting on April 12 (you can request copies of the reports from the office). This work will be invaluable in helping guide Beth Ami forward, as we embark on a new chapter of our congregational story. Many thanks to:

CHANGE & GROW COMMITTEE: Richard Kahn (Chair), Esther Baruch, Mienke Drake, Gary Highland, Judith Helman, Patrice LePera, Tish Levee, Ahuva Simon-Sa'ar, Janet Stein-Larsen, Jeffrey Stein-Larson

MERGE/COLLABORATE COMMITTEE: Ed Sherman (Chair), Stan Feingold, Bill Friedman, Alan Kafton, Lyla Nathan, Alan Shotkin, Julie Simkovitz, Craig Slayen, Carol Swanson, Barbara Tomin

RABBINIC POSITION PARAMETERS COMMITTEE: Barb McGee (Chair), Dave Ballo, Esther Baruch, Alfred Batzdorff, Susanne Batzdorff, Jennifer Hayes, Noor Karr, Pnina Loeb, Gerald Petlock, Leanne Schy, Michael Shapiro, Nancy Sherman

SELL/LEASE/DOWNSIZE: Ross Jones (Chair), Bonnie Boren, Arnold Drake, Fredrika Gross, Joe Minuskin, Mark Rosen, Ethel Schy, Mark Sutter

OTHER HELPERS: Patty Bernstein, Carolyn Metz, Blair Pleasant, Gabor Por



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>1</div> <div>8:30am - Morning Minvan</div> <div>9:30am - Religious School - All</div> <div>2pm - Yom Hashoah Observance</div>	<div>2</div> <div>Office Open 10am-4 pm</div>	<div>3</div> <div>Office Open 10am-4pm</div> <div>4pm - Religious School - Grades</div> <div>7pm - Executive Committee Mtg.</div>	<div>4</div> <div>Office Closed</div> <div>10am - Library Book Club Mtg. @</div> <div>7pm - Rosh Chodesh Women's</div>	<div>5</div> <div>Office Open 10am - 4pm</div>	<div>6</div> <div>Office Open 10am-4 pm</div> <div>6pm - Family Shabbat Dinner</div> <div>7:30pm - Erev Shabbat Services</div> <div>8:30pm - Oneg</div>	<div>7</div> <div>10am - Shabbat Services</div> <div>12:30pm - Potluck Luncheon</div>
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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Pnina Loeb, Religious School Director

Check the online CBA calendar for other upcoming events



MAY 14 AND 15 Unwaste Collection & Flea Market

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and information on back cover.

Registration Time – Please complete the packet for next year's Religious School!

Packets are available in the main office and will be sent home at Religious School and as requested.
Please turn them in as soon as possible so we can plan for next year.

APRIL 17 – Community Model Seder at CBA

How inspiring it was to have over 40 students and families from all over the area together, here at Beth Ami! We enjoyed music, song, the Seder and its special foods (the upper grade class made two Sephardic charoset recipes, and CBA members made vegetarian matzah ball soup), making new friends, and finding the Afikoman. A huge thank you to our soup chefs, to all the volunteers and parents who donated items, and to those who helped set up and serve. We can look forward to this event yearly.



MAY 22 - Join us for the last day of Religious School

Please bring something delicious for the last breakfast potluck of the year. Stay for Havdallah, an assembly to recognize all of our students, their scholastic successes, tzedakah projects, our teachers, Madrichim, and volunteers. For our yearly Lag B'Omer celebration we will walk over to the parking lot and picnic tables for a BBQ, arts and crafts and games! Plan to stay for the entire day (approximately 9 am to 2 pm).



JUNE 3 – Family Shabbat Dinner at 6 pm

Grades 3–6 will lead Kabbalat Shabbat services at 7:30 pm

The students are very excited and have been learning and practicing all year for this experience of leading the congregation. Please come and support their progress and joy. Please make your reservations early!





MITZVAH MOMENTS

Tish Levee

S.O.S. Save our Shul. Back in January, I began suggesting donating the savings from one mitzvah a month to CBA. This is a two-month issue, but I have just two suggestions for changing how you do the laundry.

Dry clothes on a line or a drying rack. Clothes dryers are second only to refrigerators in home energy use. Drying clothes with free energy from the sun can save \$120 a year. **Save another \$61 by washing in cold water** (it works for most everything). Amazon.com has drying racks and clotheslines for as low as \$13.00. (Use the link on Beth Ami's website, and the shul will get 4-6% of your purchase.) If you cut back on using the dryer while mostly washing in cold water, you can save \$100 a year. One hundred people doing that would save \$10,000 a year.

Have you been keeping track? If 100 people had done each of these mitzvahs, the yearly savings would now add up to \$38,296—which would go a long way to keeping us in the black.

Bal Tashchit—not wasting resources. Gas is going up again, so its time to use all the fuel saving strategies we learned in 2008. Actually we need conserve gas and other resources all the time, not just when the price is high or they are scarce.

Ma'achil R'evimó feeding the hungry at the gas pump by using less gas, because using biofuels to reduce our dependence on foreign oil causes food prices to rise worldwide. The igreen fuel revolution uses corn, cassava, sugar, and palm and rapeseed oil, driving up the price of these foods. According to the UN Food and Agricultural Organization, food prices are higher than in 20 years, rising 15% from October to January alone, while throwing an additional 44 million people into poverty. Push for using switchgrass, algae, and agricultural waste products to produce biofuels, and meanwhile avoid biofuels while reducing your consumption of gasoline.

A mitzvah is just a click away. Greater Good Network, one of my favorite sites, has added a tab where sponsors pay to feed veterans when you click on it. Click on the tab marked Veterans at www.breastcancersite.com. While you're there, click on the other tabs, too, and support six other worthy causes.

*January—not idling your car engine \$8600; February—PG & E gas savings \$3600; March & April—paying bills online \$2640 and sending egreeting cards \$3456.

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NURSERY SCHOOL NOTES

Caroline Calvert & Robyn Fisher-Tachouet
Nursery School Co-Directors

As we write this letter, after weeks of rain, the sun is shining brightly and the children are screaming in delight. We can hear their squeals of laughter and excitement as they head outside. Dry sky...a marvelous thing for anyone associated with preschoolers.

Thanks to all of the parents who helped with our Passover Seder this last week. **Lauren** and the **Rabbi** worked harmoniously together making it a beautiful morning. All of you deserve a gigantic pat on the back!

As May fast approaches, we can no longer ignore the ending of yet another fantastic year at Beth Ami Community Nursery School. It has been so much fun and the year, not surprisingly, has flown by. We have watched many of our beautiful children go from crying toddlers saying good bye to mom and dad on their first day of school to independent 5 year olds who, as they approach Kindergarten, don't even ask for fence kisses after drop off. Fantastic, thrilling, completely appropriate and yet inconsequentially wrong. You mean to tell us that after doing nothing but coddling, supporting and nurturing these beautiful little ones, now we have to say good-bye? Say it isn't so...

Sigh...our End-of-the-Year Potluck Picnic will be held on the last day of school on Friday, May 27 at 12:00. Please join us if you can.

We have been very busy organizing our 2011/2012 school year, as well as our summer sessions.

We are currently accepting applications from all interested families (open enrollment time). We have some classes already filled on some days, but have other openings as well. As always, please call if you have any questions.

Our summer program is in **2-week sessions** – beginning June 6. It's a wonderful addition to our regular school year program and is staffed by some of our Nursery School teachers.

If you have been thinking about sending your child to preschool or summer camp, now is the time to come check us out! We welcome your calls, 360-3030 or emails, NS@BethAmiSR.org.



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Happy anniversary to Bill & Pat Thomas

Speedy recovery to Elaine Golemb

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Condolences to Rad & Marilyn Sommer upon the death of Rod's sister, Carol.

In memory of Rosalind Herritt

In appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger and Paula and their dedication

In appreciation of the CBA office staff

In appreciation of Carolyn Metz and her dedication

In appreciation of the Nursery School teachers & staff

In appreciation of the Religious School teachers

Condolences to Evelyn, Russ, Eleanor, and families upon the passing of Leo Gurevitch

Thanks to Chavurah "G" for their chapel cleanup efforts

Condolences to Helen, Paul & Michelle Zygielbaum, and Irwin and all Margolese family members upon the death of Arthur

Speedy recovery to Mazie Miller

Mazal Tov to Douglas & Sharon Kruschen

on the arrival of daughter, Sarah Lily

Continuing recovery wishes to Helen Margolese

Condolences to Ellen Perry

Toda Rabah to Andy Fleming and all the

Purim spielers for a wonderful, witty production

The Ballo family

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In memory of Leo Gurevitch

Happy birthday to Dave Ballo

Happy birthday to Al Batzdorff

Thank you to Patty Bernstein for your dedication and efforts for Beth Ami

Thank you to Alfred Batzdorff for your many years of dedication and hard work for Beth Ami

In loving memory of Art Margolese, who was one of the triumvirate who initiated me into the crazy but loving world of Beth Ami

Juli Scherer

In memory of Leo Gurevitch

In honor of Al Batzdorff's birthday

In honor of Dorothy Gerstein's birthday

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In honor of being called to the Torah

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Ethel Schy

Speedy recovery to Susan Miller

Speedy recovery to Elaine Golemb

In memory of Leo Gurevitch

In memory of Art Margolese

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In memory of Leo Gurevitch

In memory of David Ballo's mother, Lisa Gertrude Ballo

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In honor of Jon Batzdorff's birthday

In honor of Barbara Tomin's birthday

In honor of Rose Batzdorff's birthday -

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In honor of Al & Susanne Batzdorff's anniversary - wishing them many healthy years

A big thank you to Al & Susanne Batzdorff for visiting me many times and for their generosity

Sheyna Bakman



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In memory of Selma Dennis

Congratulations to Dr. Gary Greensweig for a very special birthday

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In memory of my husband, Stan Diamond

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In memory of my father, Hatskel Pipkin

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MAY Yahrzeits

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Observance of yahrzeit begins at sundown the previous day.

All yahrzeits observed at Beth Ami.

Announced on May 6th & 7th

May 7	Samuel Gordon	Husband of Marjorie Gordon
May 7	Patricia Karr	Mother of Noor Karr
May 8	Isaac Monoson	Father of Rosalie Schweit
May 8	Lilly Zeamans	Grandmother of Judith Helman
May 9	Jules Goldman	Brother-in-law of Evey Abramowitz
May 9	Anna Sterman	Mother of Whitey Sterman
May 10	Joseph Liverman	Grandfather of Marc Bernstein
May 10	Sara-Mysya Penkovich	Grandmother of Sarah Tyutinman
May 11	Rose Abrams	Grandmother of Patty Bernstein
May 12	Sheldon Margolese	Uncle of Michelle Zygielbaum
May 13	Lucille Lachman	Mother of Vivian Salmon
May 13	Jake Rubin	Brother of Dave Rubin

Announced on May 13th & 14th

May 14	Saul Meltzer	Father of Allan Meltzer
May 14	Everett Shapiro	Husband of Phyllis Shapiro
May 15	Garrett Rosenberg	Cousin of Ira Rosenberg
May 15	Maurice Smith	Husband of Edythe Smith
May 17	Manny Simon	Father of Lyla Nathan
May 18	Rosa Marks	Grandmother of Myrna Morse
May 18	Martin Mermelstein	Brother of Shirley Klapow
May 20	Julius Newman	Brother-in-law of Edith Newman

Announced on May 20th & 21st

May 21	Sylvia Duchon	Mother of Barbara Duchon
May 21	Ruben Miller	Father of Eli Miller
May 22	Shneer Antonovsky	Father of Olga Pekker
May 22	Rosanne Sterman	Wife of Whitey Sterman
May 23	Sophie Nelson	Mother of Mazie Miller
May 23	Nathan Paul	Father of Jane Paul
May 24	Tessie Ross	Sister of Mazie Miller
May 25	Joseph Friedman	Brother of Harry Friedman
		Uncle of Bill Friedman
May 25	William Friedman	Father of Harry Friedman
		Grandfather of Bill Friedman
May 25	Herbert Klapow	Father of Larry Klapow
May 26	Miriam Backman	Mother of Roslyn Edelson
May 26	William Spiegelman	Father of Gail Negrin
		Grandfather of Ronit Glickman

Announced on May 27th & 28th

May 29	Richard Hyman	Father of Judi Hyman
May 30	Sandor Garam	Father of Rose Batzdorff
May 31	Kay Simon	Mother of Lyla Nathan
June 1	Bertha Krubiner	Mother of Alan Krubiner
June 2	Sidney Baba	Father of William Cordell
June 2	Robert Paul	Brother of Jane Paul
June 3	Helen Levin	Mother of Warren Levin
June 3	Bernice Perlman	Wife of Sydney Perlman
		Sister of Harry Friedman
		Aunt of Bill Friedman

May Birthdays

3	Mark Stoelting
4	Judith Helman
6	Noorillah Karr
6	Paul Kellogg
7	Anne Brown
8	Janet Stein-Larson
10	Daniel Pickar
10	Iosif Voulfson
11	Lorraine Aho
13	Patricia Wegman
14	Edith Newman
15	Evelyn Gurevitch
16	Valerie Kreger
16	Edward Sherman
16	Milton Sterman
16	Marina Voulfson
22	Irvin Klein
22	Julius Schlesinger
28	Tal Fichtelberg
31	JoAnne Bressick

May Anniversaries

12	Barb & Mitchell McGee
16	Fred & Regina Marvan
17	Asher & Lyla Nathan
19	Dave & Marg Ballo
25	Judith Helman & Warren Davis
27	Jon & Rose Batzdorff
27	Vanessa & Patrick Riggs
27	Tad & Debbie Shapiro
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29	David Butler & Esther Baruch
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June 4	Betty Mann	Mother of Margorie Ballo
June 4	Oscar Mann	Father of Margorie Ballo
June 4	Anna Stein	Aunt of Bob Raful
June 5	Israel Senzer	Father of Adrea Moss
June 6	George Conklin	Father of Ruth Rosenberg
June 6	Selma Drachenberg	Mother of Arnold Drake
June 6	Abe Shapiro	Father of Raynore Paule
June 7	Sam Keller	Father of Ruth Weiss
June 8	Izzah Perez	Grandmother of Therese Becraft
June 9	Hanna, Elmer, Raisel & Feige Klein	Parents and Sisters of Lillian Judd
June 9	Bessie Tsipan	Mother-in-Law of Malvina Tsipan
June 10	Lillie Gross	Mother of Sylvia Sucher
June 10	Jon Simkovitz	Father of Joshua & Rachel Simkovitz
		Former Husband of Julie Simkovitz

Announced on June 10th & 11th

June 13	Hyman Golemb	Father of Sherrill Golemb
June 13	Betty Wald	Grandmother of Miriam Wald
June 14	Bluma Rudnitskaya	Sister of Iosif Voulfson
June 15	Lena Liverman	Grandmother of Marc Bernstein
June 15	Nisel Pekker	Father of Semyon Pekker
June 15	Alice Rapkin	Great Aunt of Susan Miller
June 15	Ben Rogan	Father of Jane Rogan
June 15	Coleman Rosenbaum	Father of Arlene Rosenbaum
June 17	Joel Brodsky	Brother of Karen Brodsky
June 17	Bertha Schy	Mother of Stuart Schy

Announced on June 17th & 18th

June 18	Tom Fleming	Brother of Andy Fleming
June 18	Molly Leavy	Sister of Evey Abramowitz
June 19	Albert Hirschman	Grandfather of Abe Alexander
June 19	Irving Streitfeld	Father-in-law of Ricki Streitfeld
June 21	Herman Metz	Father of John Metz
June 21	Robert Shotkin	Father of Alan Shotkin
June 22	Thomas Cordill	Father of Kim Cordell
June 22	Louis Stein	Uncle of Bob Raful

Announced on June 24th & 25th

June 25	Mies Rijnveldt	Mother of Mienneke Drake
June 26	Lillian Graff	Wife of Max Graff
		Mother of Joe Graff

June Birthdays

2	Chelsie Uriarte
5	Della Littwin
5	Elliot Morrison
8	Andrea Goodman
8	Michelle Zygielbaum
12	Ruth Rosenberg
15	Joslyn Metzger
18	Esther Baruch
19	Harry Hankin
20	Gail Negrin
21	Marjorie Gordon
27	Ellen Watson
28	Shirley Klapow
28	Ira Rosenberg
29	Helen Dresser
30	Jane Paul

June Anniversaries

4	Harold & Barbara Boren
9	Alan Krubiner & Jane Meyer
13	Larry & Shirley Klapow
14	Abigail Zoger
18	Robin Winning & Geoff Waterhouse
20	Sherrill & Elaine Golemb
20	Bob & Susy Raful
21	Dan & Katie Zelman
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May Services

Friday Evening, May 6

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6:00 pm Family Shabbat Dinner

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Services

Saturday, May 7 & 3 Iyar

9:30 Torah Study

10:00 am Shabbat Emor Services

Potluck lunch following services

(Havdalah: 8:49 pm)

Friday Evening, May 13

(Candle Lighting: 7:55 pm)

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Services (lay led)

Saturday, May 14 & 10 Iyar

9:30 am Torah Study

10:00 am Shabbat B'har Services (lay led)

Potluck lunch following services

(Havdalah: 8:55 pm)

Friday Evening, May 20

(Candle Lighting: 8:01 pm)

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Services

Saturday, May 21 & 17 Iyar

9:30 am Torah Study

10:00 am Shabbat B'Chukotai Services

10:00 am Tot Shabbat with Lauren

Potluck lunch following services

(Havdalah: 9:01 pm)

Friday Evening, May 27

(Candle Lighting: 8:06 pm)

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Services

Saturday, May 28 & 24 Iyar

9:30 am Torah Study

10:00 am Shabbat B'midbar Services

Potluck lunch following services

(Havdalah: 9:07 pm)

June Services

Friday Evening, June 3

(Candle Lighting: 8:11 pm)

6:00 pm Family Shabbat Dinner

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Services

Saturday, June 4 & 2 Sivan

9:30 Torah Study

10:00 am Shabbat Naso Services

Potluck lunch following services

(Havdalah: 9:12 pm)

MORNING MINYAN
1st & 3rd Sundays at 8:30 am

TOT SHABBAT
Saturdays, May 21 & June 18 at 10:00 am

Tuesday, Evening June 7

(Candle Lighting 8:14 pm)

8:30 Erev Shavu'ot Services

9:00 pm Tikkun Leyl Shavu'ot

Wednesday, June 8 & 6 Sivan

10:00 am First Day Shavu'ot Services

(Candle Lighting for Second Day Shavu'ot: 8:15 pm)

Thursday, June 9 & 7 Sivan

10:00 am Second Day Shavu'ot Services

Yizkor will be recited

(Havdalah: 9:15 pm)

Friday, Evening June 10

(Candle Lighting: 8:15 pm)

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Services (lay led)

Saturday, June 11 & 9 Sivan

9:30 am Torah Study

10:00 am Shabbat B'ha'alotcha Services (lay led)

Potluck lunch following services

(Havdalah: 9:16 pm)

Friday Evening, June 17

(Candle Lighting: 8:18 pm)

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Services

Saturday, June 18 & 16 Sivan

9:30 am Torah Study

10:00 am Shabbat S'lach Lecha Services

10:00 am Tot Shabbat with Lauren

*Anna Whitaker, daughter of Barbara and John Whitaker,
will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah*

Hosted luncheon after services

(Havdalah: 9:19 pm)

Friday Evening, June 24

(Candle Lighting: 8:20 pm)

7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Services

Scholar-in-Residence

Cantor Howard Shalowitz

Saturday, June 25 & 23 Sivan

9:30 am Torah Study

10:00 am Shabbat Korach Services

Scholar-in-Residence

Cantor Howard Shalowitz

Potluck lunch following services

SHABBAT DINNER RSVP FORM

- ☐ Friday, May 6, 6 pm
☐ Friday, June 3, 6 pm - *Rabbi Schlesinger's last dinner*

~no dinner in July~

of Beth Ami Member Adults _____ @\$14= _____

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Children ages 1-4 are free!

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Neighborhood Flea Market and Unwaste Collection Saturday, May 14 & Sunday, May 15

This will be our big fund-raising event for the year!

Universal Waste Management, Inc. will be collecting all electronics, clothing, textiles, books, and small and large appliances on May 14 and May 15.

Additionally, on Sunday we will have flea market spaces (please reserve yours now and bring your own shade and table). The spaces can be used to sell art, music, jewelry, and anything else that you would like to bring. The cost is only \$10 per space!

FLEA MARKET DONATIONS

Please bring your good quality merchandise on the morning of May 15, or between May 1 and 13 to Room 14 for donation to the RS booths. Tax receipts will be available.

DONATION DROP OFF HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday between 10 am - 4 pm
Sunday between 9:30 am - noon

AND MORE...

A kosher BBQ booth will offer lunch, snacks, and a bake sale
We will also have a bouncy house for the younger kids

All proceeds benefit the Religious School and Beth Ami operating budgets.
Please see the flier on page 10.

