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# RABBI'S MESSAGE

RABBI JONATHAN L. HECHT, Ph.D.

Summer Fun Jewish Style!

With special thanks to my wife Gladys (who plans all my NYC adventures)

Summer is once again upon us! It's vacation time! And I know what you are thinking: what should we do? We are fortunate to live just minutes from a city that is rich with Jewish things to do, and you don't have to be rich to do them! Why wait to go to Israel to visit Jewish sites, we can do it right here for much less. Millions of people come to New York City each year to be tourists. We are fortunate to be just a short train ride or drive from these fabulous places. Even with current gas prices, these adventures are bargains!

Downtown, in Battery Park City, is the **Museum of Jewish Heritage** (www.mjhnyc.org) Right now there are two exhibits that I loved. The first is called "Fire in My Heart: The Story of Hannah Senesh", on view through August 7. Although her brief life ended in 1944 in front of a Nazi firing squad, her legacy of courage and passion for the Jewish people goes on to inspire us even today. Trained by the British as a paratrooper, this member of the Hagannah parachuted into Nazi occupied Hungary to organize the resistance. She is considered to be the inspiration of today's most elite Israeli soldiers, the Paratroopers. Also a poet, we sing some of her songs at services.

The other exhibit I enjoyed was "The Morgenthaus: A Legacy of Service", which is on view through September 5. This is a fascinating look at the Morgenthau family and the impact they have had on the United States since they first arrived here in 1866. Through their dedication to public service this Jewish family influenced not only American politics but the course of world events as well. Of course, if you have the time the permanent exhibits at the Museum of Jewish Heritage are worth exploring. Afterwards, take a stroll north along the Hudson River. There are some great restaurants down there to end the day with.

A bit further north and east, there is lots of American Jewish history to experience on the Lower East Side. First, there's the **Tenement** Museum. Located on Orchard Street, this museum gives you a "hands on" opportunity to learn the stories of the immigrants who lived at 97 Orchard Street, a tenement built in 1863. Visit their web site, www.tenement.org, and read about the various tours. Reserve the ones you would like because they sell out. I took my children on the tour called: "Piecing It Together: Immigrants In The Garment Industry." We visited the Levine family garment workshop and the Rogarshevskys' Sabbath table from the late 1800's. You will also find the apartment of a Greek Jewish family, the Confinos. Set in 1916, their teenage daughter, Victoria, welcomes you as a "new immigrant to America". The Lower East Side was the most densely populated place in the world at the turn of the 20th Century. The Tenement Museum give you a chance to explore how our immigrant ancestors balanced work, family life and religion during a time of great change and in spite of enormous challenges. continued....



# CANTOR'S CORNER

**CANTOR BRADLEY HYMAN** 

Israel Through My Eyes



I am walking on a long stretch of sand and rock. On my left is evidence of some of the

oldest copper, opal and turquoise mines (also called Eilat Stone) in this region. The tools and methods used here are unique to this part of the world, and they have been employed much in the same way for thousands of years. On my right are mushroom shaped rock formations, proof that an ancient river ran through this now very dry part of the world. There are animals that only can and wish to stop here on their long migration pattern. This is the southern stretch of the Negev Desert, in Timna National Park, far away from the open-air markets and black hats of Jerusalem, but so powerful and spiritual in its own way.

Every part of Israel has the potential to spark a connection. I have not physically touched these places in the Negev since 1995, and yet I can see them as clearly in my mind today as the first day I felt the dry heat hit my body as I left the air conditioned coach bus. I know what it feels like to hike for miles and not notice the moisture leaving my body. I also know what it feels like to get on a plane and leave this magnificent country.

For the next few installments, I would like to continue sharing Israel through my eyes. I would like for as many people as possible, who have never stood upon Israeli soil, to get a real picture of Israel, her people and her politics beyond what is shown on mainstream news media. Everyday since I have most recently left Israel in 2006, I think about what it might be like to get back there. I read the headlines online from Israel news sources so there are more facts, less bias and less fear in the delivery. Where I can, I shop for Israeli products to support Israel even if far away. I truly believe Israel is not merely a place of ancient, stone walls and places for study. The entire country of Israel, not just her people, lives.

# Can you identify each photo to the summer destination recommended by the Rabbi and Gladys?













L-R Top: Morgenthau Family, David Lerner, Hannah Senesh L-R Below: Tenement Museum, Maira Kalman artwork, Eldridge St. Synagogue



#### .....RABBI continued



On the Lower East Side, visit the **Eldridge Street Synagogue** (www. eldridgestreet.org). It is a breathtaking national historic landmark that took 24 years to restore. Explore the digital displays and discover how the immigrant experience continues to transform Jewish and American life today.

While you are in the neighborhood, check out **Yonah Schimmel's** on Houston Street with the most amazing knishes in an array of flavors (www.knishery.com). Get some great smoked fish at **Russ and Daughters** (www.russanddaughters.com) on Houston Street. You will find it hard to resist the **Donut Plant** (www.doughnutplant.com) on

Grand Street. You have never had donuts like these! Finally, check out **Economy Candy** (www.economycandy.com) on Rivington Street. This "nosher's paradise" opened in 1937! They have just about every candy from your childhood.



Uptown, at the Jewish Museum www.

thejewishmuseum.org, there are two fabulous exhibits: Collecting Matisse and Modern Masters: The Cone Sisters of Baltimore, until September 25, and Maira Kalman: Various Illuminations (of a Crazy World), through July 31. The Cone sisters were daughters of prosperous Jewish immigrants who began collecting art in 1905. This exhibit features over 50 works of art—by Matisse, Picasso, Gauguin, Renoir, van Gogh and more—from the Baltimore Museum's Cone Collection. You get to see the best of their collection without having to go to Baltimore!

Maira Kalman was born in Tel Aviv. She is the author and illustrator of twelve children's books including *Ooh-la-la (Max in Love)*. Among her adult classics are an illustrated edition of Strunk and White's timeless grammar, *The Elements of Style*, and *The Principles of Uncertainty*, a picture book of essays based on a yearlong online column for The NY Times. She has just completed a second online epic entitled *And the Pursuit of Happiness*.

The Jewish Museum's permanent collection is terrific and their gift shops are filled with great items. Afterwards, why not stroll through Central Park? The Central Park Carousel was built by the Jewish firm, Stein and Goldstein, one of America's premier



carousel manufacturers. It originally opened at Coney Island in 1908 and was recently restored and moved to Central Park. Compare its carvings to the lions on our ark! It's likely that our temple's ark was carved in a Coney Island workshop around the turn of the century.

One Broadway show of special interest to Temple Chaverim is **Mary Poppins** because David Lerner, who became Bar Mitzvah just a few months ago at Temple Chaverim, is starring as Michael Banks. Check out his website, www.DavidGabrielLerner.com to find out when he is on. If you are lucky (and let his parents, Dr. Mark and Maria, know you are coming) you can meet him after the play, get a picture and have him sign your Playbill. Gladys and I have already seen the show four times! Have a great summer!









# RABBINIC RUMINATIONS

RABBI JOSH LOBEL

Our Friends In Israel



"Friends, as many of you know, we are part of a "sister synagogue" program with Darchei Noam, a Reform congregation in Ramat Hasharon, Israel. For many years, they have been trying to raise funds to complete their synagogue building and they have made substantial progress, thanks in large part to donations from North American communities like our own. Here is the latest news from Darchei Noam, along with ways we can continue to support their efforts....

## YOU'VE GOTA FRIEND...

Congregation Darchei Noam of Ramat HaSharon and Solel Congregation of Mississauga, Ontario, have been sister congregations for around 20 years. It all began with a visit, a warm reception, and the start of lifelong friendships. Rabbi Stacey Blank with Solel Congregation's Rabbi Larry and Cheryl Englander and Bev and Les Rothschild, Chairperson of ARZA Canada

Since that time, every Solel congregational trip to Israel has shared Shabbat services and dinner with Darchei Noam congregants. Rabbinic students who are native to Mississauga have led services in Darchei Noam and they as well as individual families visiting Israel have been hosted by Darchei Noam congregants. Children of Solel congregants have been "adopted" by Darchei Noam families when spending time in Israel on long-term programs. Children of Darchei Noam families have been "adopted" by Solel families when working in internships or studying in the Toronto area. And the clergy of both congregations share a warm and reciprocal relationship.

Recently, Solel Congregation has added another component to the sister congregation relationship: rallying support for completing the synagogue building of Darchei Noam. They have welcomed Darchei Noam's rabbi and congregational leaders to the Toronto area and helped the wider Reform world get to know about Darchei Noam and our mission to bring a values-based Judaism that resonates with modern life to the Sharon area of Israel.

This past year, Solel Congregation, which consists of a modest 300 families, organized a Congregational Campaign on behalf of Darchei Noam. Over 60 Solel families became overseas members this year (\$180 per family) and, with some members giving even more generously, contributed \$40,000 to Darchei Noam's Capital Campaign.

Rabbi Larry Englander wrote to us: "We hope this donation will bring us closer to meeting, studying and praying together in Darchei Noam's new synagogue building!"

Just ask Leo and Sheila Aldoroty, Solel congregants who are spending a few months in Israel volunteering. They will tell the

stories of the wonderful friendships they share with Darchei Noam congregants who, as on every visit, have gone out of their way to show them new places and cultural venues, and, of course, they feel like Darchei Noam is "their home" as they joined us for Shabbatot and our Megilah reading on Purim.

This is what it means to be Sister Congregations. As we said "Next year in Jerusalem" at our seder this past Pesach – we could add – "Next year in Jerusalem and in all Israel celebrating Jewish renewal that is open, welcoming, and egalitarian!"

Update on the Synagogue Building - In January, the doors were installed and the building is now officially closed.

Darchei Noam is excited about its new partnership with ARZA. The Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism has identified Darchei Noam as the Number 1 priority congregational building project of the Reform Movement in Israel. Now, ARZA, under the professional expertise of Executive Director Danny Allen and Director of Development Barbara Kavadias, is managing the capital campaign in the United States.

With their help and the help of all of our friends and supporters in Israel and around the world, we are embarking on the "Final Lap" to finish Darchei Noam's synagogue.

Imagine if 100 North American congregations recruited 100 of their members to become overseas members for \$180.... the Darchei Noam synagogue would be completed and ready to operate.

Please visit the following web site to make your tax-deductible contribution either on-line or through the mail to the Capital Campaign: http://www.arza.org/action/donate/index.cfm. Designate "Darchei Noam Capital Campaign" in the comments section.

Visit http://www.d-noam.org for more information.

# GALA NEWS

The 5th Annual Gala -- Denim or Diamonds Gala -- was held on Saturday evening, May 21st. The evening started with a Havdallah service in our sanctuary, followed by an introduction of Robin and Bob Ballin by their daughter, Amy, and Jody and Bruce Steifman introduced by their daughter Jordyn. All the speeches were short, sweet and to the point because everyone was anxious to start the party!

The cocktail hour was indescribable. Hasson Caterers out did themselves. Many thanks to Scott Hasson who went all out to make this the best and the biggest, leaving no one was disappointed. The food was fabulous and plentiful. Raffle basket tickets were sold....more grid boxes were sold....balloons were popping....everyone was happy. The new relaxed dress code was a big plus for everyone!

Next was dinner....and dancing....and fun....and lots of laughing and talking. Everyone was table hopping and enjoying each other's company. And with 68 raffle baskets lots of people brought home lots of wonderful stuff. At the end of the evening, everyone received a goody bag filled with, among other things, a flash drive with the Virtual Journal. And, best of all, we raised a lot of money!

Thank you to all the supporters and temple members who took out journal ads or made donations. Please support our supporters. You can see them in the virtual online journal until the end of the year: www.templechaverimgala2011.org.

This is our main fundraiser each year. This is the event that raises the money to support our many wonderful programs. Mark your calendar for April 21, 2012. That's the date of the 6th Annual Gala. Mark your calendar so that you, too, can help support the programs at Temple Chaverim by attending this important event. We hope to see you on

the dance floor!



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#### **GRID RAFFLE WINNERS**

XBox Kinect & 32" TV - Fred & Cheryl Kuster Leaf on Tree of Life - Sue Gold

Special Thanks to Scott & Chris and the entire Hasson Team for an extraordinary and delicious affair.



# Thank you to all of our friends who contributed to our virtual Journal for Gala 2011

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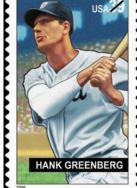


# PRESIDENT'S

MESSAGE

FRED GLADSTONE

A Fond Farewell



Recently I read the book "Hank Greenberg" by Mark Kurlansky. Being a minor league baseball historian myself, I was familiar with

Greenberg's life. After reading the book I have a totally new picture of what he meant to baseball and to American Jews. While it is easy to look at his career and say that he hit 331 career home runs, had 1276 RBIs, a .313 batting average -- all pre-steroids -- and 2 American League MVPs, this was accomplished even after missing nearly 4 complete seasons as he served in the military during World War II. In addition, during one year he hit 58 home runs as well as driving in over 150 RBIs during 3 seasons.

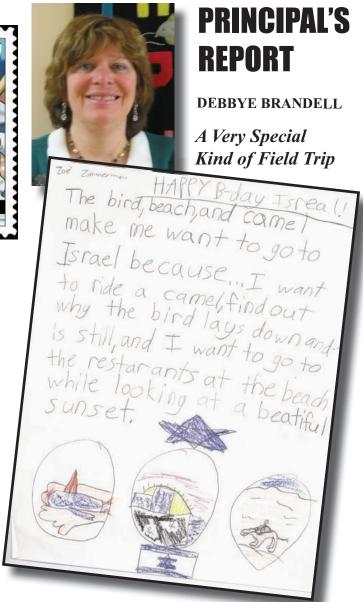
For American Jews, Greenberg's accomplishments meant much more than simple statistics on the field. Greenberg, who grew up in the Bronx, played most of his career with the Detroit Tigers. During the 1930s when Greenberg played, Detroit was described as being the most Anti-Semitic city in the country. At a time when people such as Father Charles Coughlin and Henry Ford spewed their Anti-Semitic hatred, in Detroit, Greenberg fought Anti-Semitism the only way he thought he could by hitting home runs. Greenberg said that every time he hit a home run it was like slamming one against Hitler.

While Greenberg was not a particularly religious man, he did not play on Yom Kippur in 1934, but instead went to temple. He made a very important statement to American Jews. Greenberg knew that by simply playing and standing up to the anti-Jewish taunts, he was showing that a Jew could be both physically and emotionally strong.

Greenberg not only was a hero to American Jews but he also helped out a rookie infielder for the Brooklyn Dodgers, named Jackie Robinson. While Greenberg was the target of vicious hatred when he played, he saw that Robinson had it much worse than he did, and told Robinson: "Stick in there. You're doing fine. Keep your chin up." As the American League was extremely slow to integrate, it was Greenberg who as part owner of the Cleveland Indians signed on more black players than any other team.

The thing that impressed me most about Hank Greenberg was that just by doing his "job" he had such an enormous impact on Jews as well as the United States.

On a personal note, I would like to thank the congregation for allowing me the privilege of serving as president. While it was a challenging year for me, it was also one of the most satisfying things I've done.



Did you have a chance to see our Temple Photo Exhibit, Impressions of Israel? The exhibit was held from May 9th through May 13th and was comprised of photographs, which were taken by our fellow congregants who participated in Rabbi Hecht's recent Congregational trips to Israel. The photographs were incredible!! We are blessed to have so many talented photographers in our midst.

Our students were able to get a very different taste of Israel through these pictures. Not only did we see Israel's natural beauty and it's most important sites, but there were amazing shots of a close up of a camel's face, a shop that only sells kippot (yarmulkes), a sign for a kosher Burger King, spice bins in the shuk (market), and much more.

This exhibit coincided with Yom HaAtzmaut, Israeli Independence Day and each of the classes went on a "field trip" to view these photographs. Our students wrote and drew their own interpretations of these photographs. As a representative of all of our Religious School students, please enjoy Zoe Zimmerman's impressions as in her artwork shown above. Todah rabah to all of our wonderful Temple photographers, Debbie Wells and the Communications Committee who curated this exhibit.







# SISTERHOOD / WRJ AMY-JO WILLIG

Our last event for the year was a joint program, on Sunday, May 15th, with the Adult Ed Committee -- "Thanks a Bunch" Brunch. We got to "Thank" all our volunteers and temple staff for all the tireless work they do for Sisterhood and Adult Ed. Local Syosset humorist, Marjorie Wolfe Gottlieb, had everyone laughing to "The Humor of the Jewish Mother!" What a great way to honor the special woman in our lives! Delicious fare was provided by Hasson Caterers.

Above: (L-R) Sharon
Bluth, Marilyn Levy, Jill
Schwartz, Jan Kreckel,
Susan Stewart and
Alyssa Feller.
IT
Right: Marjorie Wolfe
Gottlieh

I will be stepping down from the Presidency of Temple Chaverim Sisterhood to accept a position Alyssa Feller. on the temple Executive Board. My years as President have been filled with the joy of seeing our Right: Marjorie Wolfe membership grow and the excitement and enthusiasm our members demonstrate at our various Gottlieb

programs, their support of all our fundraising and social action efforts, as well as their input and contributions to making such a dynamic Sisterhood. I could not have done it for all these years without the unselfish support, vibrant leadership and friendship of my Board.

Sisterhood needs you! Without you, we are one woman short. So come see what all the FUN is about. Look for notices of upcoming meetings and get involved in planning our events for next year. We are starting the new year with our popular Rosh Hashanah Honey Sale. Don't forget to place your orders online before the July deadline to avoid a shipping fee.

# Alyssa Feller announced the new Sisterhood Slate of Officers for the coming year.

Alyssa Feller, Sisterhood President
Susan Stewart, Executive Vice President
Jan Kreckel and Sharon Bluth,
VPs of Educational Programming
Darlene Friedman, Vice President of Events
Linda Goldbaum, VP of Sisterhood Temple Outreach
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# Mazel Tov to the Adult B'not Mitzvah Class of 2011

Debbie Hecht Leslie Herenstein Shari Ilgner Lori Prisand Andrea Schear Emily Willens



(L-R) Rabbi Jonathan Hecht, Andrea Schear, Emily Willens, Leslie Herenstein. Lori Prisand. Debbie Hecht and Shari Ilgner

# Chaverim & Plainview Old Bethpage "Helping Hands" by Howard B. Shaw

Temple Chaverim continues to participate in local volunteer projects as a member of the community's "Helping Hands" interfaith volunteerism group. Originally convened over two years ago to support the start-up of the "Family Promise" program in Nassau County (providing shelter to temporarily homeless families) we have been renamed to "Helping Hands", with a charter to find opportunities where congregations can work together to help those in need in our local communities.

Most recently we have been working to support the Island Nutrition Network (INN) in Hempstead, which provides hot meals and sandwiches to go to the hungry. Through May we have twice gathered to make 500 peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and we plan to continue to do so one night every other month. The effort takes from 1 1/2 to 2 hours and we typically look to limit participation to 4--5 volunteers from each congregation for each night. Note that children are welcome and all food supplies are being purchased in rotation by the participating congregations. Utensils are provided and our sandwich assembly line is graciously hosted by The Plainview Reformed Church under the overall coordination efforts of Reverend Kent Huyck.

To participate in July (date is TBD) or later in the year please email me at howardbshaw@gmail.com.





#### TEMPLE CHAVERIM WELCOMES OUR NEWEST MEMBERS: 3/12/11 - 6/1/11

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Scott, Elise, Matthew and Ava Mindich; Peter Stern; Caroline Sorokoff, Olivia and Leo Stearn; Lee, Kimberly, Ella and Jack Resnick;
Marc, Rebecca, Morgan and Drew Victor; Alec, Melissa, Gavin and Andrew Kessler

## From The Long Range Planning Committee

by Lise Mayer

The Long Range Planning Committee is instrumental in ensuring that Temple Chaverim remains a vital force. In response to our growth and changing needs, we recently proposed an updated constitution. Our next project is a to create a survey and focus groups which ask you, the membership, for your thoughts regarding what needs to be done to further strengthen our remarkable community.

Your opinion is important, so when you receive the survey or invitation to a focus group, please take the time to tell us what you think is done right at Temple Chaverim and what should be done better. Just a few moments of your time can provide the guidance needed to make this Jewish community more meaningful, more dynamic and more purposeful for you and your family.

There is something else that you can do--please come to a meeting, and consider joining the committee. In general we meet every third Tuesday of the month at 8 pm. However, our next two meetings are scheduled for Monday, August 15, and Tuesday, September 20th. As a member of the Long Range Planning Committee you will plan for the future of Temple Chaverim as it continues to be a place to pray, learn and connect with Judaism. Contact Lise Mayer at 516-931-0639 or emayer1008@gmail.com to join or to share your comments and suggestions.

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR INCOMING PRESIDENT

Fellow Members,

It is an honor to have the opportunity to serve, once again, as President of Temple Chaverim. Over the past five or six years, it is amazing and wonderful how we have truly blossomed. Not only have the programs we offer our young people grown exponentially, but there

is also so much more available for our adult members.

I have always found that the heritage of our people contains a lot of wisdom that can guide us as we all face important issues and decisions. We live in a busy world with many pressures on our time, but I urge you to take just a few hours and experience one of the many adult

programs our temple offers. I am sure it will be rewarding.

I look forward to this coming year with great
anticipation and excitement, and wish you all a safe and
restful summer ahead.

Shalom, Allen Greenbaum



# MEN'S CLUB

Men's Club Wishes You a Great Summer and Looks Forward to the Fall!

Men's Club wishes everyone a happy and safe summer. Get out there and enjoy your favorite activities -- travel, sports, beach, hobbies. Recharge your batteries doing whatever makes you feel good about life and come back in the fall renewed with the spirit and interest to help make Men's Club a vibrant and vital part of Temple Chaverim.

In the fall we have our new member breakfast on tap for your participation and enjoyment. We especially need help with Card Night, building the sukkah, and preparing our family pancake breakfast. Watch for the eBlasts for specific dates and times. Your suggestions for what we can do better are always welcome. Contact Peter Janowsky at 516-445-0138, or pinowsky@aol.com.

# SOCIABLE SENIORS

ROCHELLE POTASH

Take the Summer Off...
See You in September!



The Sociable Seniors ended their 7th season on June 2nd, with Richard Knox presenting **Great Jewish Entertainers.** Richard used a variety of short clips to examine the careers of notable Jews in musical theater, opera, films and television, and everyone enjoyed the afternoon.

Programs will resume on Thursday, September 1st, with David Lawrence, Mind Reader. His ESP show will amaze us as David predicts happenings. This is all done with humor and charm.

The October 6th program with Carol Cott Gross, Knock Wood Kinahora: Jewish Superstitions Old and New, traces the multicultural origins of Jewish and classic superstitions.

Sociable Seniors continues to bring informative and diversified programs to our community. Remember to mark your calendars for the first Thursday of the month at 11:45 am. To make a reservation, call the Sociable Seniors RSVP line at 516-367-6100, ext 103 . As always, a delicious light lunch will be served. Cost is \$9.00 for temple members, \$12.00 for non-members. I would like to wish everyone a good summer, and look forward to seeing you in the fall.





# **ADULT EDUCATION**

ROCHELLE POTASH

Lots To Do!

The Adult Education Committee has made great strides this past year by introducing new programs, lectures

and events. We are hoping to continue making Temple Chaverim the "place to come to" for your Jewish education as well as meeting new people and new ideas.

The **Jewish Meditation Class** with instructor, Donna Bloom, will continue through the summer every Wednesday morning at 10:30am and every other Thursday evening at 7:00pm.



The **Book Club** will discuss "Saving Israel: How the Jewish People Can Win A War" by Daniel Gordis on July 20 at 8:00pm. Read the book at the beach, then join us for a lively discussion. Look for more information in the weekly eBlast.

The Current Events Discussion Group will continue every other month starting in the fall. Look for the topic and the date in the weekly eblast.

The **Yiddish Class** will continue through the summer and continue into the fall, the second Tuesday of the month at 8:00pm. Free to Temple members, \$5.00 per class for non-members.

A great movie and discussion (and snacks): "Jews in Baseball" is scheduled for October 16 at 4:00pm. Look in the eBlast to sign up....and bring your children. This is sure to appeal to kids as well as adults.



Rabbi Lobel is continuing to look for **Great Chefs of Temple Chaverim**. It is so much fun to have the rabbi video you making your favorite dish. Then the video is posted to our FaceBook page. If you would like to be part of this program, email him at rabbilobel@templechaverim.org.



Look for **Torah L'shma Tuesdays** coming this fall. New programs that will be alternately taught by Rabbi Hecht, Rabbi Lobel, Cantor Hyman, Rabbi Bennett, Rabbi Kay and Debbye Brandell are an exciting expansion of our Adult Ed classes.

The Adult Ed. Committee welcomes new ideas and new people. If you are interested in helping on this committee, please contact the office for more information.



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# CHAverim Tomple Youth

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For those teens in 9th through 12th grades in September, there are plenty of positions available on our Board of Directors.

Contact heather@templechaverim.org for more information.

CHATY looks forward to seeing all of the 5th through 12th graders when the summer is over in September.

# FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE PAULA LEFKOWITZ AND LARRY WALD, CHAIRS

This year, through our *Connections* articles, we have tried to encourage you to make your tzadakah donations to the various funds that are offered by Temple Chaverim. We talked about the Library Fund, the Rabbis and Cantor's Funds, The Youth Programming Fund, The Adult Education Fund, just to name a few.

For our last article this year we would like to speak about the "Buy A Brick" program that is on going and started about two years ago. If you visit the Sukkah, at the front entrance to the sanctuary, you will notice that many of the bricks have been replaced with bricks that are inscribed. These bricks honor families, children or even yourself. These bricks remember loved ones or celebrate family events such as a bar or bat mitzvah, a wedding, a baby naming or a sweet 16. These bricks are engraved with love and will be part of Temple Chaverim's foundation forever.



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# Enjoying the Gala! 1 Jordyn Steifman and cousins

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- 3 Rabbi Hecht enjoys dancing!
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Saturday, May 21st, 2011











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# THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE'S PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT



In honor of Yom Ha'atzmaut, the Communications Committee created the "Impressions of Israel" Photography Exhibit. The display consisted of nearly 100 images submitted from Temple Chaverim's tour groups to Israel in 2008 & 2010 with Rabbi Hecht. It featured scenes from everyday and religious life, nature, food, timeless cityscapes and landscapes. The images were on display May 9-13 and a reception was held on May 13 before services.

If you missed seeing this fabulous collection of photographs, please see it at our next stop for our traveling show: Hadassah Chapter at the Hamlet Clubhouse in Plainview is hosting a breakfast this summer (see below for more information). The exhibit will continue there for one week.

















Congratulations to the photographers: Alan Borko, Richard Gertler, Joan Kimmel, Fred Krellenstein, Paula Lefkowitz, Gladys Rosenblum, Debbie Wells, Mark Wells and Amy-Jo Willig.

Special recognition also goes to Debbie Wells and Alan Borko, co-curators of the Impressions of Israel exhibit.

Thanks to the Communications Committee, Gladys Rosenblum, Darlene Friedman, Sheila Schroeder, Helayne Giller, Sue Gold, Alicia Steger, Charolotte Mazer, Vinny Giambruno and Mark Taylor.

Thanks to all our sponsors who donated their expertise: Photo Printing by Hi-Tech Photo, DVDs by Jodie Cohen of Movie & Magic Montage, Israeli Wine Tasting from Simply Wines, Display Boards from Art League of Long Island as well as delicious homemade treats with an Israeli theme by Gladys Rosenblum.

"I can understand why "Impressions of Israel" has attracted a lot of interest. There is a lot of dynamism, energy and interest to the display. The works individually energy and interest to the display. The works individually energy and collectively are first class. There were many pictures and collectively are first class. There were many pictures here that prompt the viewer to pause, study, and reflect. The humanistic focus is very positive. Visually, there is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations and nearly is a strong interest in color combinations.

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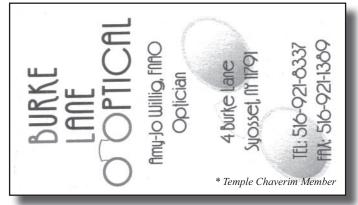
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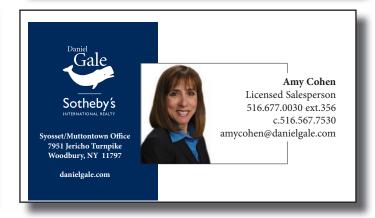
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Young Children's Service, 1:30pm Open to the general community!

Tashlich at Wantagh Park, 3:00pm

## Rosh Hashanah Second Day

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Friday, October 7th, 8:00pm

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Saturday, October 8th

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