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# Bulletin



# From The Rabbi's Study

"You can't be a Jew without being a dreamer." That insight was offered recently by one of the newly elected leaders of the Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism — the counterpart of the UAHC in Israel. The dreams he was referring to dealt with the struggle of non-Orthodox Judaism for full recognition in a land wherein the balance of power is still controlled by the Orthodox. But his words struck a very personal chord deep within me — I think it's true: You really can't be a Jew without being a dreamer.

I'm a Jew. And I have my dreams.

At the global level, I dream that something very positive may yet come to our world now that the collapse of communist totalitarianism has occurred. What a unique and wonderful opportunity we have as Americans, as members of a community dedicated to humane and humanitarian values, to help the good which democracy can provide penetrate and permeate those societies where only recently darkness held sway.

I dream that the best of democracy, that the best of a creative capitalism, can become instruments not only of political and economic regeneration, but of a move to enhance human dignity throughout the world. I dream that ways can be found to harness and limit our vast expenditures for defense — so that a true New World Order can emerge which would allow us to end disease and illiteracy everywhere, so that our environment can be preserved and enhanced, so that our global village can begin to reap the benefits of family harmony.

# GALA II SATURDAY, JUNE 1

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#### Rabbi Rubinstein To Assume Duties

**Rabbi Peter Jay Rubinstein** will assume the duties of Senior Rabbi of Central Synagogue on July 1, 1991 and will begin officiating at services on Friday, July 5th. Formal installation of Rabbi Rubinstein will take place at Shabbat Eve Services on **Friday, September 6th**.

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# Calendar of Events

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#### Sisterhood Sponsored Activities

**Bridge** 

Tuesday & Thursday, 7:30 pm 6/4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27

Gift Shop

Monday - Friday, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

**Board Orientation** 

Thursday, 6/20, 5:30 pm

**Seniors Club** 

Tuesday, 6/4, 11, 18, 10:00 am

#### Brotherhood Sponsored Activities

**Brotherhood Board Meeting** 

Wednesday, 6/13, 6:00 pm

Gala II

Saturday, 6/1, 7:30 pm

Study

Institute of Jewish Studies:

Talmud

Friday, 6/7, 8:00 am

Chevra Torah

Saturday, 6/8, 15, 22, 29, 9:15 am

Meetings

Central Women's Focus

**Cocktail Party** 

Tuesday, 6/12, 5:30 pm

#### **Notes from Sisterhood**

Ruth Oliver

# Barbara Jayson: New Sisterhood President

Barbara Jayson, who was elected President of Sisterhood at the annual meeting on Wednesday, April 24, comes to this position well prepared, with deep respect for our Sisterhood's history



and traditions, and with high hopes for what the future can hold.

Barbara has held positions that give her a well-informed view of Sisterhood's mission and perspective on its potential. She served two terms as vice president for membership and communications, during which time she conceived the *Update*, a newsletter that has been replicated nationally; ran tours of the synagogue and Community House; established the Welcome Table now found outside the sanctuary during Friday evening services; formed a challah baking workshop; and set up phon-a-thons to solicit Sisterhood memberships.

She has co-chaired the Kiddush Committee and Sisterhood's 1988 nominating committee, and chaired its 1991 budget committee. In addition to her work for Sisterhood, she co-chaired the synagogue's Outreach Committee and serves on the IJS Committee, where she has chaired the Adult Retreat for the past three years. She also serves on the synagogue membership committee, and has been a member of Cantor Botton's Choral Society since its founding.

"I'm enormously impressed by the women of our Sisterhood," Barbara says. "Their long-term dedication to important goals and their sense of mission are extraordinary. Women of different ages and in different stages of life, with different interests, talents, and capabilities work together with great effectiveness. Women with young children work with grandmothers and benefit from their knowledge. All give time, thought, and skills to our projects and bring us a source of energy that is electric.

"Through the years, each Sisterhood president has contributed greatly to moving the organization forward. I owe Jan Stovin, our immediate past-president, a great debt, for both her help to me in my preparation for this task, and for the high level of her achievement for Sisterhood through her total commitment. Jan is now serving on the Board of District 3, the regional arm of our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (NFTS). Helen Lehrman, Jan's predecessor, is a vice president of District 3, but although she is very busy in that post. Helen is unstinting in her help to our Sisterhood, and has also been most generous in her help to me during this transition.

"Looking ahead, what I wish for most is to have every one of our members share in the sense of great warmth, pride, and fulfillment we can all feel when we participate in Sisterhood, whether through programs on which we work, by attendance at our events or classes, by our dues, or 'all of the above.' And we can all take great pride in the work of NFTS, our parent body. NFTS, with our own Judith Hertz as its current president, is the voice of women of Reform Judaism—a powerful voice sounded whenever issues critical to our people are being debated and decided. Through our Sisterhood's membership in NFTS and in District 3, each of us adds our own voice,



and each of us makes a difference on matters of great moment to us all.

"Both Sisterhood and Synagogue offer myriad opportunities. I remember my feelings at worship services when Bob and I joined Central. It was almost overwhelming and very wonderful. Then, starting with Chevra Torah each Shabbat morning, I went on to the enjoyment of new learning experiences, taking our Sisterhood courses, basic Hebrew with Lillian Adler, and every course IJS offered.

"At the same time, I started going to Sisterhood programs, at first feeling a little like an outsider with the group of women

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# Choral Society Concert Packs 'em In!

More than 800 people reveled at the wonderful music produced by the **Central Synagogue Choral Society**, under the direction of **Cantor Richard Botton**. The jazz sextet added much delicious spice, and people are still writing and calling the synagogue about how much they enjoyed the whole production. Cantor Botton hopes the group will be performing at the installation of Rabbi Rubinstein on September 6th.

# Up Front with Brotherhood

#### Bob Kandel, President

Wasn't 90-'91 a great Brotherhood year? We excelled in several phases of synagogue life, combining charity, intellectual inquiry and rollicking good times.

Our support of Soviet emigres and the Breakfast Program; sponsorship of Rabbi Tom Weiner's seminar; the Tom Dine and Lee Brown dinner/lectures; the retreat; Cantor Botton's concert: and the Gala all attest to the truth of my extravagant claim. Sponsorship of programs for JCS, the blind, our college students and the scouts rounded out a many-faceted year. To help end the year with a flourish, be sure to attend Gala II and support the raffle!

An all-encompassing thank you goes to the entire Board, and extra congratulations to **Murray Beckerman** and **Rabbi Tom Weiner**, our newest Board members. We elected a great slate!

Further thanks to **Rabbi Stanley Davids**, whose help and advice were invaluable and greatly appreciated, and to **Rabbi Tom Weiner** and **Cantor Richard Botton**. **Alice Goldfinger**, **Jill Kreitman** and **Jack Sparks** were always ready with a good idea or a good word.

The synagogue is filled with unsung heros and heroines, without whom there would never have been an effective Brotherhood. Special thanks to **Dorothy Siegel** for her excellent presentation of our events, to **Richard Sanabria** for somehow squeezing us into deadlines, and to the **Openheimers** and their staff for, well, all they do. Almost finally, a nod to **Judi Cohen** for preventing a neophyte president from making too many administrative errors. Penultimately, finally, all praise to **Barry Kugel** for his advice, commitment and friendship. Our debt to you is immeasurable.

Finally (!) a great summer to all, and be prepared for another great Brotherhood year!

# Shofar Award Draws Wide Attention

The presentation of Central Synagogue's eighth annual Shofar Award to **Adam Michnik** on Friday evening, April 19th drew the attention of the international human rights community. In addition to his prominence as Poland's leading human rights activist, Michnik is regarded as

the moral center of the freedom movement in Eastern Europe.

A founder of Solidarity who spent more than six of his 36 years in Polish prisons for his beliefs, Michnik is now editor-in-chief of the new independent Polish newspaper, and a member of his country's new parliamentary government.

Guest speaker **Congressman Stephen Solarz**, who is known as one of the most eloquent speakers in the U.S. House of Representatives, more than lived up to his reputation in speaking of Michnik's life and work. Michnik's "luminous brilliance and the persuasiveness of his writing," Solarz said, were instrumental in the collapse of communism in Poland. He added that, without Michnik's courageous efforts, "the world might still be locked in the Cold War. The people of the entire world are greatly in his debt."

In his speech, Michnik contended that anti-Semitic propaganda today in Poland and other Eastern European countries is an expression of hostility toward the fundamental standards of European democracy. "While it will require courage to give the anti-Semitic stereotypes their proper name of hatred, there are a lot of people in Poland who have this courage... They are the people who create the authentic cultural values and constitute the spiritual spine of Polish democracy."

Michnik stated that he "accepted the award in the name of Solidarity . . . with the ashes of the millions murdered, among whom were all my family. Nobody asked those people about their origin or national identification. They perished as Jews because that's the way they were labelled in the headquarters of the Nazis and I must never forget about it. Denying my origin I would feel as if I were spitting on the ashes of the murdered."

By their presence and their messages to the synagogue, world leaders in the ongoing struggle for freedom of the individual attested to the significance of the occasion. Rabbi A. James Rudin, National Director for Interreligious Affairs of the American Jewish Committee, in a letter to Rabbi Davids read at the award ceremony, said "You are a world class leader not only in your chosen field of journalism, but also in the arena of human freedom. You have devoted your life to a noble cause . . . bringing justice and liberty to the people of Poland. May God bless you with many more years of dedicated and distinguished service."

Among others taking note of the occasion were two men of now legendary fame: Jan

Nowak, for 25 years the courageous leader of Radio Free Europe, who was present at the service; and Jan Karski, who was honored this spring by the U.S. Congress for heroism during Hitler's occupation of Poland. Professor Karski was not able to attend, but sent congratulations to Mr. Michnik for "this highly merited honor."

The Shofar Award was established in 1984 to honor outstanding men and women for their extraordinary contributions to advancing human rights and social justice, reflecting the highest ideals of Judaism. Previous recipients of the award have been Jacob K. Javits, Norman Lear, Louise Nevelson, Mathilde Krim, Eugene Lang, Isaac and vera Stern and Jonathan Kozol.



Shofar Award recipient Adam Michnik listens as Cantor Richard Botton blows the shofar at dinner prior to the presentation of the award.

The 1990-92 Shofar Award Subcommittee of the synagogue's Communications Committee comprised **Merton Fiur** as chair of the Communications Committee, **Ruth N. Oliver** as chair of the Shofar Award Subcommittee, and **Gabrielle Bamberger**, **Alvin S. Katz**, **Nancy E. Kirk**, **Barry E. Kugel**, and **Claire G. Miller**.

"This year's Shofar Award presentation called for complex planning. The need to talk with Mr. Michnik through an interpreter and the difference in time between New York and Warsaw required intricate arrangements," Ruth Oliver noted. "Every member of the subcommittee was most generous in giving thought, time and talent to the tasks required to bring this event to its highly successful conclusion. I wish to express particular thanks to Gay Bamberger and Nancy Kirk for the keen insight and thoughtful research that brought Adam Michnik's name to us. Further thanks go to Nancy for her liaison between Central Synagogue and the Lauder Foundation, which produced outstanding support from Ambassador Ronald Lauder and his Special Assistant Rabbi Chaskel Besser who contacted Adam Michnik directly for us."

#### About Our Religious School

Jack L. Sparks, Ed.D., RJE Director of Education

Summer is upon us and we look back at some of the wonderful moments we shared in Religious School this year:

The students in our **Bet Honors** program led us in worship at the year end Religious School Shabbat Worship and Awards Evening. These gifted children, who made the commitment to study an extra day per week all year with their teacher David Glansberg-Krainin, accomplished much wonderful learning, and will become our Gimel Honors class next year. We are so proud of you.

The 60-voice **Religious School Choir** under the direction of Shira Belfer entertained us throughout the year and lifted the roof off our synagogue building in prayer and song. You taught us that music speaks louder than words.

To our paraprofessional teacher assistants, we say thank you. Thanks for being such positive Jewish role models in our classrooms. Thank you for setting aside one afternoon per week from your busy high school lives and working side by side, teaching and befriending our Religious School children. Through your example our 300 children learned that to be a proud and Jewish high schooler is "cool." To Lizzie Cohen, Harry Kalb, and Danielle Queller we send you our love as you leave for college in the fall. To Jesse Gerber, Laurie Gerber, Jill Kaufman, Billy Plevan, Martin Small and Jenny Zide we excitedly look forward to your return in the fall and the love you bring to our classrooms.

To our Post-Confirmands Chad Gutstein, Doug Lynn, Molly Morse, Danielle Queller, Michael Solmsen, David Roy Weiswasser and Jonathan Zucker, as you bid shalom to your friends here at Central Synagogue you also join an illustrious group of men and women who have made a commitment to lifelong Jewish study. Whereas so many of your classmates found it sufficient to cease formal Jewish study in their early teens, and others in years immediately following, you seven continued to exemplify one of the great values our people know—ongoing Jewish study. You are among the finest our synagogue creates, and we take great pride in you.

In each class and study group an anecdote exists — we look back with wonderful memories and look forward to a year of growth, joy in being Jewish, and an awareness of our people Israel and the community around us. May we be blessed to continue this sacred task together, as partners, children, parents and congregation.

# Youth Group Mitzvah Corps: Summer '91

The Youth Activities Committee extends a very special thank you to those individuals whose generosity in providing scholarship assistance has made possible the Summer '91 Mitzvah Corps experience with Rabbi Weiner. They are Judi Cohen, Harvey & Connie Krueger, Peter & Leni May, Michael & Judy Steinhardt, Bob and Rowann Villency, Rabbi Tom Weiner, and two anonymous donors.

It began almost by accident. Someone thought it might be a good idea to have our Youth Group students do some mitzvah work here in the states with Native Americans. In the intervening months, a most exciting and sophisticated program took shape.

Rabbi Weiner will lead 28 of our high school students, along with a great staff, for a five week excursion. For three weeks they will be camping on the Rosebud Lakota Reservation in South Dakota; the Lakota are a subgroup of the Sioux Nation. While members of the Lakota Nation will teach the

students about their history, culture, crafts, and ceremonies, they will help to paint houses, run activities for the young children, and help to prepare for the summer ceremonies.

In addition to daily and Shabbat worship, and along with study of Jewish texts, the group will have the privilege of helping to prepare for and observe the most sacred annual rite of the Lakota — the three-day Sun Dance, occurring on the final days of the visit.

Following the three weeks on the reservation, Adventure Trails, Inc., led by our own Jerrold Schwartz, will take the group on an amazing two week tour of the most beautiful natural sites and national parks in the western United States.

## Youth Group Receives National Award

This past year Central Synagogue Youth Group received NFTY's National Tikkun Olam Award, granted to youth groups that fulfill a required broad range of Jewish programming. To qualify, a youth group must present substantial programming in the areas of Social Action, Judaic Study, Israel, Torah and interpersonal skills. We are very proud of our Youth Group for deserving and receiving this prestigious award.

# **Library Receives Gift**

**Phyllis & Lee Coffey** have made a very generous contibution to our library in honor of Rabbi David J. Seligson — the first four volumes of the Steinsaltz **Talmud**. The synagogue is always grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Coffey for their continuing generosity to so many areas of synagogue life.

Look for the IJS brochure in the mail in late summer and sign up for some stimulating evenings of Jewish discovery.

NOW is the time to inquire about Central Synagogue's Religious School Grades K-12

Contact Dr. Sparks in the Education Office 838-5122

# **New Fall Course Offerings for Adult Study**

The Institute of Jewish Studies will be adding four new courses to our adult study program this fall.

**Rabbi Peter Rubinstein** will teach "An Eternal People: The History and Literature of the Jews", including the periods of the prophets, the Destruction of the Temple and Babylonian exile: *Monday evenings*.

**Rabbi Phil Hiat** will offer "The Sanhedrin, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights:

How do they relate to each other and how do they affect us?": *Monday evenings*.

**Dr. Jack L. Sparks** offers an opportunity for adults to learn or re-learn the Jewish "basics" in a liberal framework in "A Basic Introduction to Judaism with an Eye on Reform": *Monday evenings*.

**Rabbi Tom Weiner** will lead a monthly study group for recent college graduates.

## **My First Retreat**

#### Judi Coben

The weekend of April 26-28, '91 will hold some wonderful memories for me. I have been Rabbi Tom Weiner's assistant for the past four years and we always talked about my coming to Camp Kutz or Camp Eisner for a retreat weekend with the Senior Youth Group. A few weeks ago I heard Tom say, "Jude, please join us for the spring retreat — it's about time!" So off I went to Camp Eisner in Great Barrington with Tom, Jill, Alice and the Senior Youth Group. We were joined by song leader Josh Zweiback (he's great) and staff and students of Rodeph Sholom. This I must mention was also the weekend of my Dad's first Yahrzeit, so what happened at Eisner had much meaning for me.

Friday night we arrived in time for dinner. Then on to a song session, Shabbat evening services and a mixer. We had a staff meeting after "lights out" where we celebrated Jill Kreitman's ordainment. She will be going on to The Community Synagogue in Port Washington.

I might also mention that all services are put together by the Youth Group and Martin Small, Temple Youth Group Chaplain. They are extremely well done, with music, davening and singing, Torah reading and a sermonette, all prepared and presented by the students. It was very moving to hear forty students singing and chanting the Hebrew prayers and songs.

Saturday is a very full day. After a beautiful Shabbat morning service, there were two long programs run by the Youth Group with the help of the staff. They are extremely educational and very well done. After dinner and a wonderful song session out on the beautiful grounds of Eisner, I was happily surprised to get from Tom a great big wonderful bear for Secretary's Day, which we all promptly named "Eisner."

The Havdalah service was an emotional and moving service. The seniors said their fond farewells to Youth Group and to Tom. We all shed a tear. It was at this service that I spent time thinking about my Dad. For me it was a wonderful place to be at this special time. The evening wrapped up with hours of talking and socializing.

Sunday went all too quickly for me. This weekend I learned, I cried, I laughed, and I enjoyed great company. I look forward to going on another retreat with Rabbi Weiner and his wonderful Senior Youth Group. But I'll always have special memories of my first retreat.

#### From the Rabbi's Study

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I dream of Soviet Jews and Ethiopian Jews flowing from their lands of oppression toward Israel. The obstacles which the members of this new Exodus confront are almost beyond description as they uproot their homes, their lives, and seek to reestablish themselves in a land whose resources are desperately limited. In my dream, the Jews of North America respond with levels of generosity unheard of in world history. In my dream, bureaucracies yield to a commitment to get the job done right and to get the job done now.

I dream of an Israel pluralistic, democratic, politically and religiously stable. This can never be so long as the struggle for Palestinian self-determination remains unresolved. This can never be so long as political reform is constantly put on the back burner. This can never be so long as all sides wait for someone else to boldly cut the Gordian knot which prevents a true peace process from beginning. This can never be so long as the Israeli economy is hobbled by archaic notions of government control. This can never be so long as some Jews reject the rights of other Jews to practice their faith according to their own conscience. An ancient dream has become a reality; but now that reality must be shaped by our dreams for tomorrow.

I dream of an American Jewish community which rediscovers the roots of its own faith. For too long, secularism has dominated our life in this great land. For too long we have been satisfied with the external gestures of Jewish culture and Jewish community — to the total neglect of what it means to belong to a people linked in sacred covenant to God. I dream that our leaders will be characterized by their commitment to Jewish study, to a pattern of worship, to living lives crowned by deeds of loving kindness - as well as by those necessary achievements in business and in the professions. I dream that our children will be raised in homes saturated with sacred celebration. I dream that those children will struggle to establish Jewish homes for themselves - not out of guilt or obligation, but out of love.

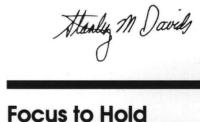
In my dream, synagogues will be true sanctuaries within which the noblest of our virtues will be practiced, and from which loving concern will be showered upon our communities. In my dream, our deeds will be measured by how we respond to the pains, concerns, fears, and needs of others — not by our address, nor by the manner

in which we achieved our particular fifteen minutes of recognition. In my dream, our synagogues will earn and treasure the title "House of God."

And finally, I dream about my family. I dream of the love which binds us, which has held us close even during periods of excruciating pain. I dream that each of us will succeed every day in becoming a little bit more than we were the day before. I dream that each of us will find a path through life which, though it can never be perfectly smooth, will nevertheless be marked by far more joy than sorrow. I dream that we will be blessed by the presence and concern of loving friends, and that we will be strong enough to respond to others with love and concern as well

I dream that so long as we are together, we can never be alone.

Thank you for allowing me to share my dreams with you.



**Networking Event** 

Bring your business cards and come to the party! Central Women's Focus is having a networking cocktail party at **5:30 pm** on **Wednesday, June 12** in **Joslin Hall**. Get to know others in a wide range of interesting fields. Find out what some of the people you've been smiling at do with their lives.

The event is free for current Focus members as well as for anyone who joins for the 1991-92 season. Nonmembers will be charged \$10. Look at the flyer enclosed with this *Bulletin* for further details.

Make your reservation by filling out and returning the tear-off form on the flyer, or by calling 838-5122. Reservations must be received by June 4th. Make your check payable to "Central Women's Focus" and send it to Focus, Central Synagogue, 123 East 55th Street, New York 10022. To make a late reservation, leave your name and telephone number on Barbara Dicker's answering machine — (212) 758-8583.

#### Sisterhood

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who were so much at ease and at home, so well-informed about the programs and meaning of Sisterhood, and clearly so bright. Once I came to feel a part of the group, Sisterhood became a primary part of my life. I had spent more than 25 years in the business world and thought *that* was a busy period but I soon found that Sisterhood was a tremendously engrossing experience," she says.

It is small wonder that Barbara refers to "engrossing experiences." In addition to the activities mentioned earlier, she served as CLUWS (Come Let Us Welcome Shabbat) facilitator, and is a member of the Sisterhood committee that has assumed responsibility for Central's Library, as well as Sisterhood's annual theatre party and programming committee.

Clearly Barbara does not expect to have a great deal of spare time during the next two years, but she and Bob will hope to fit in a little travel, some theatre, movies, and time at the 92nd Street Y for "all those good programs and the weekly exercise class," in addition to family time. Barbara and Bob, between them, have two sons and two daughters, three grandchildren, and a fourth about to be born.

"If I can give back to Sisterhood a small portion of what I have received, I will be grateful," Barbara says. "I'm certainly going to do my best."

# Sisterhood Shabbat and Installation on June 7

At our beautiful Sisterhood Shabbat, **Suzanne Skloot**, our Sisterhood Cantor for the service, will perform the world premiere of "The Garland of Glory," a work by the highly talented composer David Lefkowitz, who has a Master's degree from the famed Curtis Institute in Philadelphia and is completing work for his Ph.D. at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York.

#### Israel Urgently Needs Trees

The need for new trees to be planted in Israel is now acute. Two factors — the destruction that took place during the Gulf War and the necessity to clear land for the housing of Russian Jewish emigres — make it vital that everyone who can help in this effort do so *now*. At a cost of just \$7.00 per tree you can honor or memorialize a loved one while helping Israel. A handsome card from the Jewish National Fund will ac-

knowledge your gift. Look for the form inserted in this *Bulletin* and please mail your check today. For more information call Elsie Shapiro at 838-5122.

#### Volunteers Needed to Record Books for Blind

Please leave a message for Sylvia Kaplan or Sylvia Sorin at 838-5122 if you can volunteer for this important mitzvah.

# **People**

Congratulations to **Jesse Gerber** and **Bill Plevan** who were elected to the Regional Executive Board of CRaFTY as President and Corresponding Vice President, respectively. We are very proud to have two members of our own Youth Group serving on the Regional Board.

Cantor Richard Botton recently recorded two CD's. The first, on the Premier label, is of contemporary music and includes a choir and brass ensemble; it will be on sale in the fall. The second, on the Archives label, is of early twentieth century American Jewish music. Cantor Botton is accompanied by the Eastman School of Music Rochester Singers, Dr. Samuel Adler, director.

We gratefully acknowledge the following contributions made during April:

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In honor of:

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In appreciation of: Sisterhood's birthday wishes

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Birth of Peter Maxwell Daniels, brother of Alexander Samuel

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In memory of: My husband Charles Trynin Evelyn Trynin

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#### Nursery School Scholarship Fund

In honor of:

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In honor of:

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Dorothy Brody

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In appreciation of: Janet Stovin's devotion as President of Sisterhood for four years Barbara Jayson as newly elected

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For Yiskor in memory of: **Irving Fortgang** 

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In honor of: Elsie May Gross Herzog on her special birthday

In memory of: **Robert Herzog** Ruth & David Adler Janet & Jim Stovin

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# **COMING EVENTS**

Tuesday, May 28, 5:45 pm

Annual Congregational Meeting Election of Synagogue Officers & Trustees

Saturday, June 1, 7:30 pm

Brötherhood Dinner/Dance with Steve Ross

Friday, June 7, 5:30 pm

**Annual Sisterhood Shabbat**Dinner and Installation of Officers and Board

Friday, Sept. 6, 5:30 pm

Installation of Rabbi Peter J. Rubenstein
At Shabbat Eve Services

# **Worship Services in the Sanctuary**

Friday, May 31

5:30 pm Shabbat Eve Service

Saturday, June 1

10:30 am Shabbat Service

B'nai Mitzvah: Colby Berchin

Jordan Fletcher

Friday, June 7

5:30 pm Shabbat Eve Service

Sisterhood Shabbat

Saturday, June 8

10:30 am Shabbat Service

B'nai Mitzvah: Amanda Deutch

Jake Schlang

Friday, June 14

5:30 pm Shabbat Eve Service

Saturday, June 15

10:30 am Shabbat Service

Bat Mitzvah:

Danielle Motelow

On Friday evening and Saturday morning Shabbat services will be held in Beir Chapel from June 21 through September; Friday services will be held at 5:30 pm; Saturday services will be held at 10:00 am

#### Daily Services:

Mon.-Thurs., 8:00 am, Blitzer Chapel Friday, 7:45 am, followed by Talmud class

#### **Upcoming Holiday:**

**Tishe'ah B'Av:** Begins the evening of July 20, through sundown July 21

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Rabbi Tom Weiner looks on as members of his 7th grade Jewish Life Cycle class perform a "wedding" in our Blitzer Chapel. "Rabbi" Ben Brill officiated for "groom" Jonathan Shapiro and "bride" Danielle Motelow. The class did a great job of studying for and presenting the ceremony. Of course, a catered reception followed.

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