

BEKI BULLETIN

Monthly Newsletter of Congregation Beth El – Keser Israel, a Full-Service Synagogue for Greater New Haven Jewry
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Sacred Scroll Covers Project

Congregation Beth El-Keser Israel possesses a set of nine Sacred Scrolls from the Prophets and Writings (NaKh). These rare Sacred Scrolls are hand-written on parchment, as are Torah Scrolls. They are over 100 years old and in excellent condition.

The Scrolls are read in Synagogue on festivals, shabbatot and holidays: RUTH on *Shavuot*; KOHELET on *Sukkot*; SHIR HASHIRIM on *Pesah*; EIKHA on *Tisha BeAv*; YONAH on *Yom Kippur*; and the others on Shabbat as the *haftarot*. In addition, we dance with these Sacred Scrolls along with the Torah Scrolls on *Simhat Torah*.

While the parchment and letters of the Scrolls are in excellent condition, they lack covers. In order to proudly display and maintain the dignity of these treasures, the most capable Rebbetzin **Malka Levine** has graciously volunteered to oversee the creation of a beautiful set of custom-designed matching needlepoint covers, each one reflecting the theme of the Scroll which it adorns. Several dedicated individuals have volunteered

their labor in this project. The Synagogue is now seeking nine benefactors to sponsor the covers.

It is estimated that six to fifteen months will be needed to complete the entire set of covers. The Synagogue will provide an appropriate display setting for these treasures upon completion.

Only nine sponsors will have the honor of supporting the creation of these covers. Sponsorship costs \$1,000 per scroll, which covers the cost of materials, minor repairs to the wood spools which support the Scrolls and a set-aside for maintenance. The remainder of the contribution will go to support the Synagogue. Sponsorship not only memorializes and honors a loved one in a most beautiful and important way, but also supports the mission of the Synagogue. Sponsorship will be recognized through a public dedication ceremony, prominent notice in this newsletter, and a modest plaque.

For more information, contact Mrs. Malka Levine, project coordinator; **Steve Wizner**, Treasurer; or Rabbi Tilsen, at 389-2108.

FAMILY SHABBAT DINNER SET FOR JANUARY 21ST

By popular demand, our next Family Shabbat Dinner will be held on Friday night January 21st following services at 6:00 PM (a half-hour earlier than the previous dinner). Call the office (389-2108) now for reservations. Be sure to invite a friend.

Thanks to **Janet Brown** and her committee for hosting our November dinner as well as the upcoming dinner.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

A special thank you to all who participated in our recent rummage and tag sale. It was our best ever!!

We donated all of our warm winter clothing for men, women and children to the homeless, battered women, and Midnight Run (where we supplied blankets, hats, scarves, and gloves), and several other worthy organizations.

Our next rummage sale will be in the spring, so save your used but still useful items to be reused by others and benefit the synagogue.

Dates and Times to Remember

January

1 Shabbat	9:15 AM	Shabbat Morning Service
	10:45 AM	Children's Shabbat Havura
	4:10 PM	Minha & Pirqe Avot study session
	5:05 PM	Maariv & Havdala
2 Sunday	9:30 AM	Mishna Berura Study Group
7 Friday	6:00 PM	Qabbalat Shabbat Service
	8:00 PM	Late Evening Service with Choir & Organ
8 Shabbat	9:15 AM	Shabbat Morning Service
	10:45 AM	Children's Shabbat Havura
	11:00 AM	Shabbat Shalom Learners' Minyan
	4:20 PM	Minha & Pirqe Avot study session
	5:12 PM	Maariv & Havdala
9 Sunday	9:30 AM	Mishna Berura Study Group
10 Monday	7:45 AM	Rashi Study group
14 Friday	6:00 PM	Qabbalat Shabbat Service
	8:00 PM	Late Evening Service with Organ
15 Shabbat	9:15 AM	Shabbat Morning Service
		Darshan: Dr. Boaz Huss
	10:45 AM	Children's Shabbat Havura
	4:00 PM	Shabbat Havura Study Group
	4:25 PM	Minha & Pirqe Avot Study
	5:20 PM	Maariv & Havdala
	7:00 PM	Erev Shira (Songfest) at Tilsen & Benson home
16 Sunday	8:30 AM	Tefillin Workshop
	9:30 AM	Men's Club Breakfast
17 Monday	7:45 AM	Rashi Study group
21 Friday	6:00 PM	Family Shabbat Service
		Children's Story Time
	6:30 PM	Shabbat Dinner (by reservation)
22 Shabbat	9:15 AM	Shabbat Morning Service
	10:45 AM	Children's Shabbat Havura
	11:00 AM	Shabbat Shalom Learners' Minyan
	4:30 PM	Minha & Pirqe Avot study
	5:30 PM	Maariv & Havdala
23 Sunday	9:30 AM	Mishna Berura study group
24 Monday	7:45 AM	Rashi Study group
28 Friday	6:00 PM	Qabbalat Shabbat Service
	8:00 PM	Late Evening Service
29 Shabbat	9:15 AM	Shabbat Morning Service
		Darshan: Dr. Neil Cogan
	10:45 AM	Children's Shabbat Havura
	4:45 PM	Minha & Pirqe Avot study
	5:35 PM	Maariv & Havdala
30 Sunday	9:30 AM	Mishna Berura study group
31 Monday	7:45 AM	Rashi Study group

February

4 Friday	6:00 PM	Qabbalat Shabbat Service
	8:00 PM	Late Service (Choir & Organ)
		Speaker: Lisa Lenkiewicz, M'ging Ed. CT Jewish Ledger
5 Shabbat	9:15 AM	Shabbat Morning Service
		Darshan: Dr. Steve Wizner
	10:45 AM	Children's Shabbat Havura
	11:00 AM	Shabbat Shalom Learners' Minyan
	5:00 PM	Minha & Pirqe Avot Study
	5:42 PM	Maariv & Havdala
	5:50 PM	Do-It-Yourself: How to Lead Havdala
6 Sunday	9:30 AM	Mishna Berura Study Group
7 Monday	7:45 AM	Rashi Study Group
8 Tuesday	7:30 PM	Hebrew Reading & Comprehension of Siddur
10 Thursday	7:30 PM	Death & Mourning Workshop
11 Friday	6:00 PM	Qabbalat Shabbat Service
	8:00 PM	Late Service with Organ
12 Shabbat	9:15 AM	Shabbat Morning Service; USY Kinnus Gadol
	10:45 AM	Children's Shabbat Havura
	4:00 PM	Shabbat Study Group
	5:05 PM	Minha & Pirqe Avot Study
	5:50 PM	Maariv & Havdala
13 Sunday	9:30 AM	Mishna Berura Study Group
14 Monday	7:45 AM	Rashi Study Group
15 Tuesday	7:30 PM	Hebrew Reading & Comprehension of Siddur
17 Thursday	7:30 PM	Death & Mourning Workshop
18 Friday	6:30 PM	Family Qabbalat Shabbat Service
19 Shabbat	9:15 AM	Darshan: Dr. Howard Needler
	10:45 AM	Children's Shabbat Havura
	11:00 AM	Shabbat Shalom Learners' Minyan
	5:10 PM	Minha & Pirqe Avot Study
	6:00 PM	Maariv & Havdala
20 Sunday	9:30 AM	Men's Club/Sisterhood Joint Breakfast
		Speaker: Miriam Benson
21 Monday	7:45 AM	Rashi Study Group
22 Tuesday	7:30 PM	Hebrew Reading & Comprehension of Siddur
24 Thursday	6:00 PM	Megilla Reading
25 Friday	7:00 AM	Megilla Reading
	6:00 PM	Qabbalat Shabbat Service
26 Shabbat	9:15 AM	Shabbat Morning Service
	10:45 AM	Children's Shabbat Havura
	5:15 PM	Minha & Pirqe Avot Study
	6:05 PM	Maariv & Havdala
27 Sunday	9:30 AM	Mishna Berura Study Group
	TBA AM	UHS Purim Carnival
28 Monday	7:45 AM	Rashi Study group

A message from Rabbi Tilsen—

TEFILLIN WHILE YOU WAIT

When I brought my tefillin in for inspection and repair to a sofer on the Lower East Side, the sign in the shop window said, "Tefillin Repaired While You Wait." Since it takes anywhere from 15 to 45 minutes to open, inspect, repair and sew up tefillin, I figured I could go get a calzone at the Sam's Finest Dairy Restaurant around the corner while the scribe opened my tefillin, inspected the parshiyot, made any repairs, and closed them up. The wizened little sofer opened my tefillin and informed me that one of the scrolls needed to be replaced. Everything else was fine. "Come back tomorrow," he said.

"But the sign says, 'Tefillin Repaired While You Wait,'" I protested. "That's right," he said, "I will fix your tefillin, and you will wait." My tefillin were ready in two weeks.

On Mount Sinai, God gave us the commandment to wear tefillin knowing that it would be 3,500 years before this generation would have the opportunity to put them on. Even though it takes only a few minutes to lay tefillin, God must still wait for us to be ready to take on this commandment. God will wait until each person is ready.

For me, wearing tefillin is spiritually satisfying. The meaning of the ritual is suggested in the passage recited as the straps are wrapped around one's hand: "I bind myself to You [God] forever, I bind myself through Righteousness, Justice, Loving-Kindness and Love, I bind myself through Truth; in this way I come to know God." Just as wearing a wedding ring symbolizes the marriage bond between husband and wife, and just as the wearing of a police uniform symbolizes one's allegiance to law and order, so wearing tefillin during morning services on weekdays (excluding Shabbat and major Festivals) indicates a Jewish person's commitment to God, Israel and Torah. In Jewish law, tefillin are mandatory for men and optional for women.

Tefillin contain passages from the Torah, hand written on parchment, just like a Torah scroll. It is therefore the most sacred ritual item an individual normally owns. Tefillin are worn on the arm near the heart, head and hand to indicate that all of a person's faculties should be bound in the services of God, Israel and Torah. The tefillin we wear are essentially the same as those worn by our ancestors generation after generation.

Now is a good time to bring out those old tefillin or to purchase a new pair at the BEKI Gift Shop. Loaner pairs are also available from my office. Anyone who wishes a first-time or refresher course in tefillin is encouraged to contact me at your convenience.

Just as it is with tefillin, so it is with each of the other mitzvot. God waits patiently as we bind ourselves to God through its performance. And like tefillin, some mitzvot feel funny at first, some slide off or get tangled. But if we take the time to get used to them, they begin to fit us perfectly.

Jon-Jay Tilsen

DEAR RABBI

A column of answers, advice and helpful household hints.

Today's letter comes from a retiree in Westville:

Dear Rabbi,

My husband, thank God, is in good health. But he likes to plan ahead. He heard recently about a company called "Greetings from Beyond" that for \$25 each will send birthday cards from you to your friends and family after you die. He wants to have a card sent to me and to other family members after he's gone. I think it's a terrible idea. It's not the money—thank God, we are living very comfortably. It's just that I think it's completely tasteless. It makes me really angry at him. What do you think, Rabbi?

Signed,

I could just KILL him.

Dear *Kill him*,

If it's not the money, then tell him that after he's gone, instead of sending you a card you'd like him to send you expensive jewelry. Or, at least, chocolates.

Why should he send you birthday cards after he's gone, if, like many husbands, he did not remember your birthday while still alive? In any case, "Greetings from Beyond" may not be necessary. If you love him, and he loves you, you should tell each other how you feel now. Don't be angry at him. Show your love, companionship and friendship now.

If you have anything to say to each other, say it now. If there is anything you want to do for each other, do it now.

After you've left this world, your loved ones will still think of you. We think of our loved ones on birthdays, anniversaries, holidays and family occasions. Someone who has helped build a synagogue or endowed a program leaves a lasting reminder of their presence. Our memory of them will be carried on.

So don't kill your husband — unless he forgets to send you a birthday card while he's still alive.

All letters to Dear Rabbi should be addressed to Rabbi J-J van Tilsen, care of this newsletter. Due to the volume of mail received, Dear Rabbi cannot answer all inquiries.

Do-It-Yourself Ritual Workshop

The next Do-It-Yourself Ritual Workshop will be held on Sunday, January 16th at 8:30 AM. In this 20-minute workshop we will review the how's and why's of laying tefillin. This is a great way to fill in that free time on Sunday before morning services.

February's Do-It-Yourself Ritual Workshop will be "How to lead Havdala."

MEN'S CLUB NEWS

We hope that everyone had a happy and joyous Hanuka!

Dues have been coming in at a very satisfactory rate, and membership has reached last year's level. We thank the many members who have added a contribution to the Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund. These contributions will enable the fund to support the Camp Ramah program of the Conservative Movement and to make it possible for children of our congregation to have the unique experience of a summer camp with meaningful Jewish content.

Our most recent breakfast featured Dr. **Barry Herman** who presented a lecture on "Jewish Landmarks of New Haven, Past and Present", illustrated with slides. It was very well received.

We look forward to seeing you at the next Men's Club Breakfast on January 16th.

Shalom,
Saul Bell, President

USY

We would like to thank everyone who supported our efforts by buying our Thanksgiving kosher/parve pumpkin pies. We enjoyed preparing them and many of you enjoyed eating them! Some purchasers also decided to donate pies to the Community Soup Kitchen, so the good deeds went twice as far.

We began this year by helping to build the BEKI Sukkah, an annual event. Our first social event was a bowling night at Hamden Lanes. We had a good turnout and everyone had a great time. We've also gone ice skating at the Hamden rink, and we've participated in a regional dance held at Hartford and a hayride which was a joint event with the Milford-Orange Chapter. Four of our members attended the Fall Kinnus and four of us attended the Leadership Kinnus. We've recently published the fall issue of the BEKI Beat, our newsletter, which is filled with articles, stories, and stunning artwork.

Future events include a volunteer day at the Young Israel Soup Kitchen on →

SISTERHOOD NEWS

The Sisterhood hopes everyone had a very happy Hanuka and that 1994 brings everyone good health and much happiness.

Sunday, February 20th will be the Joint Breakfast with the Men's Club. This will begin at 9:30 am. The guest speaker for this wonderful morning will be **Miriam Benson**, attorney, mother, and wife of Rabbi Jon-Jay Tilsen. Mark your calendar so you don't forget the date.

Sunday, March 13th will be the Torah Fund Brunch. Torah Fund supports the Jewish Theological Seminary through your generous donations and use of the Torah Fund cards. These cards are for all occasions: birthday, anniversary, new baby, get well and condolence. Just call **Rose Feen** at 387-8743 and she will send it out for you immediately.

During the past two months Sisterhood has held a very successful Rummage and Tag Sale and bought a new coffee urn for the synagogue.

We need new ideas for programming: What would you like Sisterhood to sponsor? Please call Barbara or Belle. We can always use new ideas and new members of BEKI can contribute a lot. We welcome your assistance and suggestions.

Happy New Year,
Barbara Cushen & Belle Goldberg

December 19th, International Convention in California from December 22-31, Shabbat lunch at the synagogue on January 15th, the Mock Kinnus with BEKI-Kadima on January 23rd, and production and delivery of our Superbowl Deli Boxes on January 30th.

BEKI-USY is one of the outstanding chapters in the region. We conduct a variety of events—social and charitable—and we always have fun together. We are always on the lookout for new members, and have lots of exciting plans for the months ahead. If you are interested in joining or just want to find out more about us, please call **Ahud Sela**, Chapter President, 624-2035.

KADIMA

BURSTING WITH ENERGY!

BEKI Kadima is full of enthusiasm and activity! The year opened with a Havdalah make-your-own sundae party with 12 excited members. The month of November was filled with social action.

At the Kadimaniks' request, they held a "clean up the shul" program, where they raked the grounds, planted bulbs for the spring, and rebound chumashim. A few weeks later, our chapter spent an afternoon with community volunteers packaging food for Thanksgiving for hundreds of needy people in New Haven. In December, some of our members had a fun-filled weekend at the regional Kinnus Katan at B'nai Sholom in Newington. On December 12, twenty of us celebrated Chanukah together with food, games, and lots of laughs. We're moving along with full steam.

Here is a rundown of scheduled events for the rest of the year.

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| Jan. 2 | Yale Hockey game |
| Jan. 23 | Mock Kinnus with BEKI USY |
| Feb. 11-13 | Kinnus Gadol hosted by BEKI |
| Feb. 20 | Purim Carnival |
| March 19-20 | Overnight at B'nai Jacob in Woodbridge |
| April 10 | Social Action/Tikun Olam Program |
| April 17 | Israel theme party in honor of Yom HaAtzmaut |
| May 22 | Picnic and Elections |

If you or your children are in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade and are interested in getting involved, please call the Kadima Advisor, **Amy B. Pincus**, at 397-8816.

BEKI Kadima will be hosting the Region's Kinnus Gadol on February 11-13 and we're looking for host families within walking distance of the shul. If you are interested, please call Kadima Advisor, Amy Pincus at 397-8816.

TREE OF LIFE

Our members have the opportunity to share either joyous events or memorializing loved ones by having a leaf inscribed on our magnificent tree. You are also contributing to the life and strength of BEKI.

It's a thoughtful and memorable way to observe a milestone birthday, anniversary, or a special occasion.

Inscriptions cost \$118.00 for a leaf, and \$500.00 for a rock. Call **Mimi Kahn** at 387-8105 and she will assist you with the wording.

We thank the following contributors:

In celebration of the 10th anniversary of
Donna and Robert Wardle, October 1, 1993.
Donors - Donna & Robert Wardle.

In love and friendship we honor Irving Weinstein
on his 80th birthday, December 30, 1993.
Donors - Estelle & Ted Bloom,
Regina & Martin Faymann, and Mae & Herb Etkind.

In honor of the 80th birthday of
George J. Feen, November 7, 1993.
Donors - wife Rose, daughters Betty Sue and Hildy,
and grandson Todd.

Mazal Tov and love to our father and grandfather
Herbert Etkind on his 75th birthday,
November 30, 1993.
Donors - Karen, Richard, Heather and Wendy, Ed,
Randy and Dan, Paul, Sue and Molly, Heidi and David.

HEBREW READING & COMPREHENSION IN THE PRAYERBOOK

Beginning February 8th at 7:30 PM, Rabbi **Murray Levine** will be teaching a ten-part series on basic siddur comprehension and fluency, stressing values and concepts. This is an excellent opportunity to enrich one's knowledge and understanding of the prayer experience. Rabbi Levine is a highly-acclaimed and delightful teacher. To reserve your seat and order a textbook, or for more information, call 389-2108.

HEBREW LITERACY

You can learn to read Hebrew and follow the prayers in the Siddur in ten easy lessons at a time which is mutually convenient. BEKI will teach groups of five or more people morning, afternoon, or evening. Classes begin the week of February 6th. This is a great way to learn or refresh your knowledge of the Hebrew alef-bet. Register by calling the office at 389-2108.

PARENT-TODDLER REGISTRATION OPENS

Registration for the Winter Session of the
BEKI Parent-Todler Program
is now opened.
For information call
BEKI at 389-2108.

Mazal Tov

To **Stephen Pincus**
on passing the Maryland Bar Exam.

To **Howard & Pearl Weinick**
on the birth of their granddaughter
Penina Yael
(Elizabeth Ann Weinick)

LARGE PRINT NEWSLETTER

If you or someone you know would like to receive the *BEKI Bulletin* in large-print format, please contact Rabbi Tilsen at 389-2108.

WE NEED YOU TO MAKE PERFECT \$EN\$E WITH OUR FOOD CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Q. *What is the Perfect \$en\$e food certificate program?*
A. Perfect \$en\$e is a BEKI fund raising program that costs you absolutely nothing.

Q. *Why should I do it?*
A. Because BEKI needs your financial support.

Q. *What will Perfect \$en\$e mean for BEKI?*
A. If every family participated in this program and purchased only \$100.00 per month, think what BEKI would realize in much needed revenue.

Q. *What will it cost me?*
A. Absolutely nothing!!
When you redeem your food certificates, you will purchase their value in groceries, prescriptions, postage stamps, etc. If you use store coupons or manufacturer's coupons, they will be honored.

Q. *Which stores participate?*
A. Stop & Shop, Pathmark, Waldbaum's, and Westville Kosher Meat Market.

Q. *How do I buy these certificates?*
A. By calling **Mimi Kahn** at 387-8105 or **Mikki Ratner** at 387-7882 or the synagogue office at 389-2108. As you can see we've tried to anticipate the needs of everyone, we even deliver. We Need You!! because You Count!!

It makes Perfect \$en\$e for us to hear from you. It's a good New Year's Resolution. Certificates come in \$10, \$20, and \$50 denominations.
P. S. These food certificates are not tax deductible.

**Thank you for your
generous donations to our
Synagogue Funds**

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In Loving Memory of my beloved Murray by Mimi Kahn.
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For the love I shall always have for Murray E. Kahn by
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In Loving Memory of my brother, S. Gabriel Lubov by
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In Honor of Arthur and Betsy's new home by Norma
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11/10/93 thru 12/9/93

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To George Feen by Rose Pergament, Lori, Natan, Beth & Justin Weinstein, Freda Merriam.

To Arnold Lerner by Barbara & Sidney Cushen.

To Mr. & Mrs. Noel Barstein by Adele & David Tyson.

To Irving Weinstein by Inge & Lenny Fish, Freda Merriam.

To Herb Etkind by Rose Pergament.

To Vi & Charlie Ludwig by Rose Pergament.

Rejoicing With You

To George Feen by Lil & Alex Heisler, Estelle & Ted Bloom, Janet & Jay Brown.

To Ann Trimarchi by Hyla Greenberg.

To Andy Weinstein by Rose & George Feen.

To Mr. & Mrs. Noel Barstein by Charlotte & Max Teitelman.

To Herb Etkind by Rose & George Feen.

To Vi & Charlie Ludwig by Rose & George Feen.

To Irving Weinstein by Janet & Jay Brown.

On This Joyous Occasion

To George Feen by Grace Geisinger.

To Irving Weinstein by Rena & Sam Miller.

Especially For You

To Barbara Cushen by Belle & Jordan Goldberg, Vi & Charlie Ludwig.

To Irving Weinstein by Lil & Alex Heisler.

To Vi & Charlie Ludwig by Grace Geisinger.

To Mrs. Natalie Brenner by Harriet & Noel Barstein.

Thank You

To Max Rosenkrantz by Rose & George Feen.

Get Well

To Morris Rubin by Rose Pergament, Irving Weinstein.

To Leonard Sampson by Ruth & Morris Olmer.

To Harold Scheinfeld from Rena & Sam Miller.

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To Mr. & Mrs. Norman Pastor by Tess & Herb Galvin.

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To Barbara Cushen by Rose & George Feen, Bertha Fleischer, Grace Geisinger.

Sympathy

To Marjorie Brown by Barbara & Sidney Cushen.

To Kahn Family by Inge & Lenny Fish.

To Mrs. Marie Boccomiello & Family by Eunice & Louis Rogoff.

To Mr. & Mrs. Judah Harris by Hyla Greenberg.

To Quint Family by Mikki Ratner.

To Goodwin Family by Rose & George Feen.

To Joyce Voloshin by Ruth & Morris Olmer.

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Appreciation of Good Health Prayers by Rose & George Feen.

In Memory of Daniel Cantor by Carol Cantor Elkies.

In Memory of Abraham Riff by Alan Lovins & Trish Lovins.

Robert Lerman.

By Claire Proctor, Jeffrey Proctor, and Lynne Klatskin.

In memory of Hyman Salzberg by Pearl & Howard Weinick.

In honor of the birth of their granddaughter Elizabeth Ann Weinick by Pearl & Howard Weinick.

**Wishes for a
Speedy Recovery to**

**BARBARA CUSHEN
LOUIS HODES
BEVERLY ZLOTOFF**

TODAH RABAH

Todah Rabah to **Tina Rose** for organizing a wonderful Hanuka Party. Great fun was had by all.

Todah Rabah to **Rita Sela** for producing this newsletter in a beautiful new format. The newsletter is easier to read, more attractive, affords us more space and costs less!

KIDDUSH SPONSORS

Charles Ludwig honoring Violet Ludwig's birthday
Sam Kantrowitz marking the yahrzeit of Ida Kantrowitz.
Louis Goodwin ing ratitude for celebrating his birthday.
Pat Goodwin marking the conclusion of the 11-month mourning period for Lester Feldman and in tribute to Lois Feldman's loyalty to the memory of her husband, to her people, and to God.

ONEG SHABBAT SPONSORS

BEKI Sisterhood honoring Irving Weinstein's 80th Birthday

CONDOLENCES

We note with sorrow the passing of:

Maurice Proctor

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Service Times: Sunday 9:00 am. Monday thru Thursday 7:00 am. Sunday thru Thursday 5:45 pm.			Children's Shabbat Havura every Shabbat at 10:45 am in the Claire Goodwin Youth Room				18 Tevet 5754 Shemot Services 9:15 am. Children's Shabbat Havura 10:45 am. Mincha 4:10 pm. Maariv 5:05 pm. 1
19 Tevet 5754 9:30 am. - Mishna Berura Study Group <div style="text-align: right;">2</div>	20 Tevet 5754 <div style="text-align: right;">3</div>	21 Tevet 5754 <div style="text-align: right;">4</div>	22 Tevet 5754 <div style="text-align: right;">5</div>	23 Tevet 5754 <div style="text-align: right;">6</div>	24 Tevet 5754 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm Late Evening Service 8:00 pm 4:22 pm. 7	25 Tevet 5754 Va-Era Services 9:15 am. Learner's Minyan 11:00 am. Mincha 4:20 pm. Maariv 5:12 pm. 8	
26 Tevet 5754 9:30 am. - Mishna Berura Study Group <div style="text-align: right;">9</div>	27 Tevet 5754 7:45 am. - Rashi Study Group <div style="text-align: right;">10</div>	28 Tevet 5754 <div style="text-align: right;">11</div>	29 Tevet 5754 <div style="text-align: right;">12</div>	1 Shevat 5754 Rosh-Chodesh. <div style="text-align: right;">13</div>	2 Shevat 5754 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm. Late Evening 8:00 pm. 4:28 pm. 14	3 Shevat 5754 Bo Services 9:15 am. Darshan: Dr. Boaz Huss Mincha 4:25 pm. Maariv 5:20 pm. Erev Shira 7:00 pm. at Rabbi's home 15	
4 Shevat 5754 8:30 am. - Tefillin Workshop 9:30 am. Men's Club Breakfast 16	5 Shevat 5754 7:45 am. - Rashi Study Group <div style="text-align: right;">17</div>	6 Shevat 5754 <div style="text-align: right;">18</div>	7 Shevat 5754 <div style="text-align: right;">19</div>	8 Shevat 5754 <div style="text-align: right;">20</div>	9 Shevat 5754 Family Service - 6:00 pm. Dinner 6:30 pm. 4:36 pm. 21	10 Shevat 5754 Be-Shellach Services 9:15 am. Learners' Minyan 11:00 am. Mincha 4:30 pm. Maariv 5:30 pm. 22	
11 Shevat 5754 9:30 am. - Mishna Berura Study Group <div style="text-align: right;">23</div>	12 Shevat 5754 7:45 am. - Rashi Study Group <div style="text-align: right;">24</div>	13 Shevat 5754 <div style="text-align: right;">25</div>	14 Shevat 5754 <div style="text-align: right;">26</div>	15 Shevat 5754 Tu-B'Shvat. <div style="text-align: right;">27</div>	16 Shevat 5754 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm. Late Evening 8:00 pm. 4:45 pm. 28	17 Shevat 5754 Yitro Services 9:15 am. Darshan: Neil Cogan Mincha 4:45 pm. Maariv 5:35 pm. 29	
18 Shevat 5754 9:30 am. - Mishna Berura Study Group <div style="text-align: right;">30</div>	19 Shevat 5754 7:45 am. - Rashi Study Group 7:45 pm. - Board of Directors Mtg. 31	Start the new year off right - Use Food Certificates every time you shop at Stop & Shop, Pathmark, Waldbaum's or Westville Kosher Market. Call Mimi (387-8105) or Mikki (387-7882) or get them at the synagogue office.					

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Sunday Evening	5:45 PM
Mon-Fri Morning	7:00 AM
Mon-Thurs Evenings	5:45 PM

Shabbat

begins at candle lighting:	ends:
Jan. 7—24 Tevet	4:16 5:12
Jan. 14—2 Shevat	4:24 5:20
Jan. 21—9 Shevat	4:32 5:30
Jan. 28—16 Shevat	4:41 5:35

Shabbat Services

Friday night	see calendar
Morning	9:15 AM.-12:00
Afternoon/Evening	see calendar

**Rosh Hodesh Shevat falls on
Thursday, January 13, 1994**

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