From Pesah to Shavuot

Sefira – Counting the Omer

At the second Seder, we began daily sefirat ha-omer (counting of the omer), a counting of days to Shavuot, the next major festival. The counting, preferably done each night for 49 nights, is an expression of eager anticipation, commemorating the period of expectation and preparation we experienced in the Exodus from Egypt until the revelation at Sinai.

The simple home ceremony is printed in most siddurim (prayer books), including Sim Shalom, immediately after the weekday evening service. While it is a mitzva prescribed for adults, sefirat ha-omer can also be a fun, artistic and joyous ritual for families with children.

In the days before printed calendars, calendar watches and daily newspapers, the sefira served to keep the liturgical calendar of the Jewish People synchronized, no simple accomplishment, given the dispersion and isolation of much of the community. The term omer refers to the measure (one handful) of grain that was used to create a physical relic of the counting. With a physical reminder, even illiterate people could do a recount in case they forgot the day’s number.

Families with young children may use this opportunity to help their children understand and experience anticipation, planning, counting and hope.

Teach us to number our days, that we may attain a heart of wisdom – Psalm 90:12

BEKI’s Practically Annual LaG BeOmer* Kumsitz** Campfire Singalong

Sunday 14 May 2017 (Late on the Day of 33 Omer) 6:30p-8:30p at Andy & Monica’s Residence (indoors in case of rain, sans campfire), 145 Cleveland Road, New Haven, Free Parking.

Directions from BEKI: Go south about a mile and look for campfire. Bring Your Musical Instruments, Hebrew, Yiddish, Aramaic, Ladino, Hungarian or Other Jewish Songsheets, a Blanket or Chair to Sit on – or just come.

This Hebrew/Judaic Singalong is made possible by the Morris & Sara Oppenheim Endowment for Sacred Music at Beth El-Keser Israel and by Andy & Monica. Event is free and all are welcome. For more info contact office@beki.org 203.389.2108 x14 or visit us at www.beki.org.

*LaG BeOmer: The 33rd day of counting of sheaves; some obscure Jewish celebration; just come and have fun. ** People kum to zing und dey sitz down.

Shavuot Two-Day Festival: The Jewish Hajj

The Festival of Shavuot (“Weeks”), one of the three major pilgrimage festivals, celebrates the anniversary of the Giving of the Torah at Sinai some 3,329 years ago. The word hag (pilgrimage festival) is known widely by its Arabic cognate, hajj (which, for Muslims, means pilgrimage to Mecca). The Torah commands, “Three times a year—on the Feast of Unleavened Bread, on the Feast of
Benefit Congregation Beth El-Keser Israel

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Weeks, and on the Feast of Booths—all your males shall appear before the Lord your God in the place that He will choose. They shall not appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each with his own gift, according to the blessing that the Lord your God has bestowed upon you” (Deut. 16:16-17).

Shavuot comes at the culmination of the counting of seven weeks from Pesah, and will be a major observance at BEKI this summer. Just as we look forward to important events in our personal lives, so too our ancestors enthusiastically and devoutly anticipated the event at Sinai. By participating in BEKI’s Shavuot observance, we re-enact the extraordinary experience of our ancestors and show our own enthusiasm for receiving Torah.

The traditional greeting is Ḥagg Sameah – חג שמח – Happy Festival.

Tiqun Leil Shavuot
Our annual Tiqun Leil Shavuot Night of Study takes place on the first night of Shavuot, Tuesday night 30 May 2017. Dairy and pareve refreshments will be served.

Candle lighting (home ritual) is at 7:59p. The weekday minha afternoon service begins at BEKI at 8p. The Shavuot evening begins with the Festival Evening Service from 8:10p – 8:30p in the George G. Posener Daily Chapel. A shiur (text study or lecture) will begin at 8:30p, with Morris Bell, on “Desert Storms: Torah & Trauma.” At 9:45p, Sydney Perry will teach, followed by an additional session presented late into the night. Doors are locked at 11p so come early.

Please see “This Week at BEKI” and the May Mid-Month Mailing for a complete list of presenters and schedule.

Shavuot Mornings
Yizkor Memorial Service
Book of Ruth
The Shavuot First Day Festival Shaharit Morning Service begins at 9:15a on Wednesday 31 May 2017. The service includes the recitation of full Hallel. The afternoon and evening services begin at 5:45p. Candle lighting Wednesday night is at 9:00p or later.

The Shavuot Second Day Morning service begins at 9:15a on Thursday 1 June 2017. The Festival service includes a Shaharit morning service, Hallel (Psalms of praise), a Torah reading and Haftara. Following the Haftara (prophetic reading), the Yizkor Memorial Service is held. The Yizkor memorial service is one of four such services during the year that help us recognize our feelings of loss, which are sometimes especially intense during the Festival season, and to honor the memories of our loved ones.

Following Yizkor, the Book of Ruth is read to a uniquely beautiful and ancient melody based on the same system of ta’amei hamiqra (“trope”) found in most of the Hebrew Bible. Then the Festival Musaf additional service is recited.

Some Congregants may leave during qiddush for a hike to the top of West Rock. Weather permitting, bring appropriate shoes and leave with friends from the lobby.

The Festival Minha service is held in the George G. Posener Daily Chapel from 5:45p to 6:05p.

BEKI Hesed Committee
To volunteer, contact Robert Lettick 203-671-4705 robolettick@aol.com

Security Video
For info on synagogue security, see ADL Safety Series: Mitigating and Managing Security Risks for America’s Jewish Institutions. More info from Security Committee Chair Jay Sokolow sokolow@snet.net.

The Shul in the News

More Shul in the News
Contributions

Rabbi’s Tzedaka Fund
• Jeffrey Schneider in memory of
  Jean Schneider
• Amy Schwartz & David Levy in appreciation for
  Ezra Levy’s brit mila
• Steven Faade & Ellen Cohen for
  mekhirat hametz
• Morris Bell & Raina Sotsky for
  mekhirat hametz
• Harold & Stephanie Birm for
  mekhirat hametz
• Herbert & Hanna Winer for
  mekhirat hametz
• Howard & Willa Neider for
  mekhirat hametz
• Ephrem & Mimi Glenn for
  mekhirat hametz
• Judith Resnik & Dennis Curtis honoring the memory of
  Dorothy Nachman Resnik and Hugh Curtis
• Tina Rose and Seth Pauker for
  mekhirat hametz
• Arthur & Betty Levy for
  mekhirat hametz
• Julie Cohen for mekhirat hametz
• Jay & Marge Hirshfield for
  mekhirat hametz
• Rav H. & L. Sommer for
  mekhirat hametz
• Lou & Lisa Petrillo to support
  local community in need
  in memory of Rene Benoit, Richard Yeung, Robert Dechane and Ross Harrison.
• Sherry Kent for mekhirat hametz
• Rav Murray Levine for mekhirat hametz
• Tamar Edelkind for mekhirat
  hametz
• Harriet Friedman & Charles
  Bruce for mekhirat hametz
• Barbara Cushing for mekhirat
  hametz
• Stewart Frankel & Joy Kaufman for
  mekhirat hametz
• Ruth Silver for mekhirat hametz
• Harold & Barbara Miller for
  mekhirat hametz
• Moshe Usefi for mekhirat
  hametz
• Gadriel & Julie Robbins for
  mekhirat hametz
• Jay & Marjorie Hirshfield wishing
  Mazal Tov to the Kasif
  Family on birth of baby boy

Qiddush Sponsors
(minimum $320)
• Stan Saxe
• Murray Levine
• Gloria Cohen
• The Rastelli-Weiner family
• Nanette Stahl

Chai Fund
(minimum $18) to support synagogue operations
• To Herbert & Hannah Winer with sympathy on the passing of
  Joseph Winer by Alan Lovins & Trish Loving
• To Herbert & Hannah Winer with sympathy on the passing of
  Joseph Winer by Joanne Foodim & Rob Forbes
• To Herbert & Hannah Winer with sympathy on the passing of
  Joseph Winer by Julie Cohen
• To Rachel Wizner with wishes for a speedy recovery by
  Julie Cohen
• To Herbert & Hannah Winer with sympathy on the passing of
  Joseph Winer by Helen Rosenberg & Keith Richter
• To Rachel Wizner with wishes for a speedy recovery by
  Corinne Blackmer & Pilar Stewart
• To Edward & Michelle and Anna
  Abramovitz with sympathy on the passing of
  Alan Abramovitz by Steve & Rachel Wizner
• To Edward & Michelle and Anna
  Abramovitz with sympathy on the passing of
  Alan Abramovitz by Steve & Sherry Rothman
• To Edward & Michelle and Anna
  Abramovitz with sympathy on the passing of
  Alan Abramovitz by the Goldblum family
• To Edward & Michelle and Anna
  Abramovitz with sympathy on the passing of
  Alan Abramovitz by Sue & Stuart Miller
• To Peggy & Don Hackett with sympathy on the passing of
  P. Dennis Carnine by Rita & Nadav Sela
• To Edward & Michelle and Anna
  Abramovitz with sympathy on the passing of
  Alan Abramovitz by Bobbie & Harold Miller
• To Rachel Wizner with wishes for a speedy recovery by
  David Wizner
• To Muriel Banquer with wishes for a speedy recovery by
  David Wright
• To Muriel Banquer with wishes for a speedy recovery by
  Gloria Cohen
• To Bob Livieri with sympathy on the passing of
  Mary Ann Livieri by David & Rayna Belowsky

Syagogue Fund
(minimum $10) to support synagogue operations
• To Hyla Greenberg in memory of
  her parents Abraham & Miriam
  Goldstein by Louis J. Petrillo
• To Marc & Myra Goldfarb in memory of their parents Carl
  (Kasreal) & Helen Chorney
  Goldfarb and Abraham &
  Miriam Goldstein by Louis J.
  Petrillo
• To Paul Goldenberg & Cindy
  Carter Goldenberg in memory of
  their parents Hyman & Martha
  and their friend Jeff Golden by
  Louis J. Petrillo
• To Linda Friedman in memory of
  her parents Solomon Elias
  (Zalman Elia) Polikoff &
  Beatrice Lorraine (Brina Leah)
  Polikoff Kessler and her friend
  Naomi Zelnick by Louis J.
  Petrillo
• To Susan Fine Amatruda &
  Robert Amatruda in memory of
  their parents Leo Mayne
  Fine & Marcia Fine and Joseph
  Amatruda by Louis J. Petrillo
• To Bruce Forrester & Susan
  Amatruda Forrester in memory of
  their parents Joy Levin
  Forrester & A.Theodore
  Forrester and Joseph Amatruda
  by Louis J. Petrillo
• To Stan Saxe in honor of his
  birthday by Anna & James
  Broaker
• To Herbert & Hannah Winer
  with sympathy on the passing of
  Joseph Winer by Bill Shragis
• To Herbert & Hannah Winer
  with sympathy on the passing of
  Joseph Winer by David & Darryl
  Kuperstock

Beki Religious School
• To Herbert & Hannah Winer with sympathy on the passing of
  Joseph Winer by the Silverman & Sokolow family
• To Edward & Michelle and Anna
  Abramovitz with sympathy on the passing of
  Alan Abramovitz by Ina Silverman & Jay Sokolow

Louis Friedman Scholarship Fund
• To Sarah Rastelli in honor of her
  Bat Mitzva by the Richter family

Harold & Arthur Ratner Memorial Fund
• To Deborah Slater, Brad Witte & Pamela Gilman with sympathy on the passing of
  Bernard Slater by Mikki Ratner and David & Sue Miller
• In memory of her sister Louise
  Egalika by Mikki Ratner
• In memory of her parents Ett &
  Charles Miller by Mikki Ratner
• In memory of Max Bronfin by
  Mikki Ratner

Contributions listed in the April
and May Bulletin for “mekhirat
hametz” refer to contributions
at the time of selling of hametz
before Passover, and are
directed to maot hittim, food
support for neighbors at the festivals.

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Owen William Karsif born to Erin M. & Ben Karsif, grandson of Brian Karsif (& Elizabeth Karpf), entered into the Covenant of Abraham through the rite of brit mila in New Haven

Samuel Robeson Abraham born to Libby & Mark Abraham, entered into the Covenant of Abraham through the rite of brit mila at BEKI

Mazal tov to
Shulamith Scharfstein Chernoff on being honored by the Jewish Historical Society of Greater New Haven at its celebratory brunch at BEKI on 21 May 2017.

Upcoming Benei Mitzva
Hannah Herbst, daughter of Roy & Karen Herbst, 9-10 June 2017, parashat BeHa’alotekha

Eric works a keyboard for Abraham’s Tent guests.

Darryl, Mimi, Marjorie and Yonas make preparations for guests of Abraham’s Tent.

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Yahrzeit Fund
($5 minimum) to support synagogue operations

- In memory of his father Marvin Spielman by James Spielman
- In memory of Anita B. Weinstein by Elaine Weinstein
- In memory of Charlotte Isenberg by Janis Isenberg
- In memory of Lillian Gell by John & Marcia Gell
- In memory of Philip Abramowitz by Marcia & John Gell
- In memory of Frances Ray by Barbara Rader
- In memory of her grandparents William & Anna Berman by Sherry Kent
- In memory of Mayer Freiman by Jonathan Freiman
- In memory of Charlotte Gralla by Linda Schultz & Howard Gralla
- In memory of Bennet Schultz by Linda Schultz & Howard Gralla
- In memory of Bluma Soloway by Minna & Lewis Kaufman
- In memory of Toby Blatt by Marilyn Margolis
- In memory of her parents Rose & Louis Katz by Sharon (Katz) Prober
- In memory of Moe Epstein by Kranie & Earl Baker
- In memory of Kate Rochlin by Kranie & Earl Baker
- In memory of Boris (ben Moshe) Levatan by Polina Naiman
- In memory of her uncle Morris “Moshe” Schnitman by Helene & Edward Vanderhoef
- In memory of Paul Klein by Elaine Klein
- In memory of Shirley Rudof by Steve & Joanne Rudof
- In memory of Sherwin Brotman by Jay & Lynn Brotman
- In memory of Ruth & Albert Heydemann by Lynn & Jay Brotman
- In memory of his mother Pearl Yaffe by Cliff Yaffe
- In memory of Ethel Epstein by Fran Goldberg-Cohen
- In memory of Harriet Chorney by Bud & Mickey Chorney
- In memory of Bessie Flamer by Mickey & Bud Chorney
- In memory of her beloved mother Thelma Kugell by Harriet Pearlin
- In memory of Miriam Stein by Melanie & James Wolf
- In memory of her beloved father Jack Nuht by Joan Gelbert
- In memory of her aunt Mona Zitomer by Joan Gelbert
- In memory of her mother-in-law Sara Gelbert by Joan Gelbert
Iyar 18 - Lag BeOmer

One of my happiest memories of my childhood is celebrating Lag BeOmer which this year falls on 14 May (18 Iyar).

On this date, in the early 2nd century, an epidemic afflicted the students of Rabbi Akiva, a great sage of the era, ceased. Years later on this same date, his student Rabbi Shimon passed away. Having fulfilled his mission in this world, he asked that the anniversary of his death be celebrated as a joyous occasion. Throughout the Land of Israel – and indeed in Jewish communities throughout the world – this day is marked with festivities and bonfires. In particular, thousands journey to rejoice in the town of Meron, site of Rabbi Shimon’s resting place.

I remember growing up in Israel as a child we held a kumzits singing old Israeli songs in the back yard and roasting whole potatoes in a metal bucket till they almost burned. Then we took them out and very gingerly held them up to our mouths and ate them au naturel, that is, without sour cream or butter. I know I can do this now but somehow it never tastes the same.

The Festival of Shavuot

Shavuot celebrates the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai. It is on this day that we became God’s “chosen people,” and God formed a bond with us which shall never be broken.

As young kids we were dressed all in white with fresh flowers in our hair. In school we held small baskets with fruit and vegetables on our tender shoulders and sang Salenu al ketefenu (basket on our shoulder) walking around the room with big smiles on our faces. We also decorated the house and the synagogue with white flowers. And of course we ate a dairy meal on the first day of Shavuot. Like milk for an infant, we received all our spiritual nourishment from the Torah.

June is just around the corner. Please consider purchasing gifts that you need for weddings, beni-mitzva, graduation and Fathers Day.

The Board of BEKI Sisterhood wishes all the congregants a happy and healthy holiday.
Torah for the Hungry Mind – Adult Studies

Shabbatot (Saturdays)

Darshanim

Darshan – noun, plural dar-sha-nim. Judaism. a preacher or teacher of Aggada or Halakha in a synagogue.

Rabbi Tilsen has invited the following speakers to serve as guest Darshanim in the coming weeks:

Elijah Light, bar mitzva, 13 May 2017, parashat Emor
Rabbi Murray Levine, 20 May 2017, parashiyot BeHar–BeHuqotai
Special Guest, 27 May 2017, parashat BeMidbar
Hannah Herbst, bat mitzva, 10 June 2017, parashat BeHa`alotekha

Shabbat Shalom Torah Study

The Shabbat Shalom Torah Study meets every other Saturday morning at 10:45a in the office and is an ideal setting for veteran and novice shul-goers alike to explore the scriptural readings and liturgy of the day in a supportive setting. Expertly led by Steven Fraade, with Rabbi Alan Lovins, Rabbi Murray Levine, Nadav Sela, Isaiah Cooper and others, the Shabbat Shalom Torah Study is a nurturing exploration of practice and theory presented in a participatory, non-threatening and multi-generational setting. Many members who take advantage of this unique offering feel a deeper sense of awe born of increased understanding and appreciation of the Torah reading, Haftara (Prophetic reading) and liturgy.

The program often focuses on the scriptural readings, but also addresses the prayer liturgy and other topics related to the liturgical calendar, scriptural readings or current issues of concern.

Everyone is welcome to participate regardless of religious status or background. It is suitable for mature youths along with adults.

Hebrew with Will

Hebrew with Will meets every other Saturday morning from 10:45a – 11:45a in the office (on the weeks that Shabbat Shalom Torah Study does not meet). Practice Hebrew listening, speaking, and Alef-Bet recognition. Modern Hebrew; suitable for those interested in Biblical and Prayer Book study as well. Free; all welcome. With Will Auriemme.

Mondays

Rashi Study Group: I Kings

Each Monday morning from 7:45a to 8:30a adults meet in the Library Chapel to read Rashi’s commentary on the TaNaKh (Hebrew Bible). The Rashi Study Group (RSG) is reading First Kings. It is possible to join the study group for a single meeting or to begin at any time. Knowledge of Hebrew is not necessary. Rashi purported to explain the peshat of the text, i.e., the meaning in its historical, literary and linguistic context. Visitors and new participants are welcome. Hebrew and English texts are available. The RSG meets immediately following the 7:00a shaharit morning service. With Jon-Jay Tilsen.

Wednesdays

Hebrew Word of the Week

The Wednesday morning service (shaharit) features a 180-second “Hebrew word of the Week” to promote the learning of Hebrew. The Hebrew language is highly structured. Most words are based on three-letter roots, and are made with a limited set of verb or noun forms. By learning a few dozen roots and a small set of word-forms, it is possible to roughly translate Hebrew words isolated from any context, something less often possible in English. The Word of the Week often relates to the weekly scriptural readings, enhancing personal study and public Torah discussion.

Rabbis’ Study Group

Wednesdays with Murray is a weekly study group exclusively for rabbis, facilitated by Rabbi Murray Levine. The Wednesday study group affords local rabbis...
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an opportunity to pursue their own *talmud torah* (Torah study) in a “safe” setting and with opportunities to learn from each other’s experience and insight. The study group meets Wednesday mornings in the Rosenkrantz Family Library. For more information, call Rabbi Murray Levine at 203.397.2513.

*Thursdays*

**Mini Morning Learning Service**

The Thursday morning services are supplemented with commentary and teaching relating to the history, themes, choreography and language of the daily morning service. Shaharit service is from 8:15a to 9:15a on Thursdays; on other weekdays, the service begins at 7:00a.

**New: Berakhot Talmud Study Group**

Beginning now, a weekly study of the Mishna, leading to Gemara study, will be held in the Beit Midrash on Thursday mornings 10a–11a with Rabbi Tilsen.

The Talmud, based on an oral text, has no beginning or end. One can begin study at any point; now is the best time. No prior knowledge is required, but basic facility in English is helpful; students with all backgrounds are welcome, beginner to advanced.

**Done: Sanhedrin Talmud Study Group**

The *Sanhedrin Talmud Study Group* met on Thursdays weekly since 1999. In the summer of 2001, the group marked the completion of their study of Mishna Sanhedrin, in preparation for the Talmud study; at that time, Eric I.B. Beller, Robert Forbes, Carl Goldfield, Michael Koenigsb erg, Dr. Marc Schwartz, and Dr. Kal Watsky participated in the siyyum along with Rabbi Tilsen. Over the years, about two dozen people have studied in the group.

In April 2017, the group completed the tractate. Congratulations to all those who participated over the years.

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**Youth**

Since March and May both start with “M-a”, we’ll start with a little retroactive reporting in honor of that random observation.

Kadima members helped prepare and share dinner for guests of Abraham’s Tent. In March they planned to attend a regional Kadima Sleepover in West Hartford, but unfortunately, it was canceled last minute. It was heartwarming that our prospective attendees and their parents were all so disappointed that they organized a consolation Shabbat dinner to share each other’s company anyway.

An activity that came along after last month’s bulletin deadline was the April observance of Yom HaShoah at the Towers senior residence in downtown New Haven to which area youth groups, including BEKI’s USY chapter, were invited.

And now that we’re caught up: April showers bring… May sleepovers?

We are planning an overnight at BEKI for first night of Shavuot where the kids may actually be up later than the adults studying upstairs and undoubtedly much dairy will be had by all. A future issue will also report on attendance and experience at the USY Regional Spring Convention in Massachusetts.

**Loaners**

Two pairs of public-use tefillin are available in the George G. Posener Daily Chapel in a wooden bin behind the pushkes. They are new and available for use to members and guests, or for purchase at cost.

**JCARR**

BEKI partners with Jewish Community Alliance for Refugee Resettlement. Info Rachel Doft [rdoft@yahoo.com](mailto:rdoft@yahoo.com).

**Daily Minyanim**

Contact Rachel Gerber for information on daily services, or just come.

**Torah Reading Coordinator**

J-J Tilsen is coordinating VaYiqra (through 20 May). Darryl Kuperstock is coordinating BeMidbar (27 May – 22 July).

**Run Time**

Our Shabbat morning and Festi-vial morning services always begin at 9:15a (except Rosh HaShana and Yom Kippur). The weekly listing (below) shows the variable end time, which is estimated based on length of Torah reading and liturgy for that day and records from prior years.
We celebrated National Mix It Up Day in October to foster greater respect and understanding among our students.
## May 2017
5 Iyar 5777 - 6 Sivan 5777

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- **Yom HaAtzmaut** 2 May 2017
- Meet Artist Henry J. Spencer 6 May 2017
- Pesah Sheni 10 May 2017
- BMP Last Class 10 May 2017
- Bar Mitzva: Elijah Light 12-13 May 2017
- LaG BeOmer 13-14 May 2017
- BRS Graduation & Promotion 14 May 2017
- Darshan: Rabbi Murray Levine 20 May 2017
- Meditation with Robin 20 May 2017
- Yom Yerushalayim 24 May 2017
- Rosh Hodesh Sivan 25-26 May 2017
- Memorial Day (USA) 29 May 2017
- Tiqun Leil Shavuot 30 May 2017
Youth Scholarships for Israel & Local Schools & Camps
For Jewish students, see www.jewish-newhaven.org/scholarships.

Israeli Dance
Tuesdays 7:30p (beginners) and 8:30p–11p (everyone).

Torah Sparks
Brief commentary on weekly parasha from the Conservative Yeshiva (Jerusalem). Also see JTS Student Sam Blustin’s Divrei Torah at http://samblustin.com/divrei-torah/.

Masorti Youth in Summer
Program info at summer@usy.org and info@campramahne.org.