Alan Lovins to Daven on Yamim Noraim

Rabbi Alan H. Lovins has agreed to serve as our Hazzan for the High Holy Days. In addition to Rabbi Lovins, the service will again be lead by BEKI members serving as volunteer hazzanim.

Dr. Lovins is a graduate of Yale University and holds a Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Columbia University. He was ordained as a rabbi by the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. A resident of New Haven for over forty years and a BEKI member, Dr. Lovins is a practicing clinical psychologist in New Haven.

He served as a U.S. Army Chaplain and as rabbi and cantor at Beth Israel Synagogue in Wallingford. For the past eight years he has been the High Holy Days cantor at Temple Beth David in Cheshire.

Rabbi Tilsen, in congratulating the Cantor Search Committee for engaging Rabbi Lovins, said that he is delighted by their choice “not just because Alan has a beautiful strong voice, not just because he is an expert in the music of the service and sings each word with meaning and understanding, but because he is a very well-respected member of the BEKI shul community and is uniquely qualified to serve as our shaliach tsibbur—our personal representative before God on the Days of Awe.”

Workshops Sponsored by Oppenheim Endowment for Sacred Music

Join Rabbi Alan Lovins, BEKI’s High Holy Days Cantor, and Rabbi Jon-Jay Tilsen for two workshops on the Music of the High Holy Days. This is an excellent opportunity to review the melodies that will fill our sanctuary on these Days of Awe. By knowing the music we are able to ascend a little bit heavenward with our prayers.

These workshops are made possible by the Morris & Sara Oppenheim Endowment for Sacred Music at BEKI. Established by Sara Oppenheim to perpetuate the knowledge of Jewish Sacred Music, a goal which she shared with her husband Morris Oppenheim of blessed memory and instilled in their children and grandchildren, the Endowment will assure the continuity of this essential component of our heritage from one generation to the next. The establishment of the Oppenheim Fund will be recognized during a special upcoming weekend observance.

The workshops will be Wednesday 6 September and Wednesday 13 September at 7:30 PM. The workshops will review the melodies and meanings of selected prayers and poems. Tape recording is permitted, and all are welcomed.

Louis Friedman Memorial Services

A Hanukat Matzeva-Tombstone Dedication ceremony will be held for Rev. Louis Friedman, of blessed memory, at 10:30 AM on Sunday 17 September at the Beth El Memorial Park on Warner Street in Hamden.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 AM in the main sanctuary of the shul at which time the Louis Friedman Room will be dedicated and a shiur (Tarah Lesson) will be given marking the first yahrzeit of this most extraordinary and beloved teacher. Please join us for this special event in the life of our community.

If you know of Rev. Friedman’s students and friends who might like to be invited, please contact the Louis Friedman Memorial Committee, BEKI, 85 Harrison St., New Haven, CT 06515, 389-2108.
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Deadline for the October Mailing is September 15th.
Please submit your material on time.

Security System
The new security system of the BEKI Synagogue is now in force. To gain admittance to the building, on Harrison St. during office hours, ring the door bell at the front door, next to the driveway.

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Right vs. Right

You have the right to cut off your left arm and shove it up your chimney, but that doesn’t mean it is a smart thing to do.

Civil and human rights are the foundation of modern civilization. I think the Bill of Rights is a great national achievement, and I’m a card-carrying member of the American Civil Liberties Union and Amnesty International.

Yet the issue of rights is sometimes used as a cover for wrongs.

Those who defend the hate-radio programs of G. Gordon Liddy, Ken Hamblin and others of their ilk contend that private efforts to silence that hate speech constitute an abridgment of their freedom of speech. Those who appeal to the decency or civic duty of station managers to cancel hate-radio and those who boycott hate-radio sponsors are portrayed as trashers of the Constitution.

But just because someone has a right to broadcast and a business has a right to sponsor hate-radio does not mean it is a smart thing to do. Surely listeners have a right to tell station managers that they are tuning out and inform sponsors that they will not support businesses whose revenues support hate-radio. Ken Hamblin regularly uses racist epithets to describe people and belittles those who disagree with him. Recently he attacked people who receive welfare using adjectives like “dark,” “dirty” and “hairy” and claimed that African Americans were incapable of serving American cities as decent mayors. It does not seem unreasonable to me, or an abridgment of anyone’s constitutional rights, for African Americans to inform Shoppers World or Temple Luggage that they do not appreciate the sponsors’ support of Ken Hamblin and their association with his message of hatred and contempt by the presence of their ads during his program.

As Jews we must object to such programs because it undermines our efforts to build a just, caring, decent society. Moreover, much of what is behind the rising wave of right-wing hate-radio is anti-semitism. Even when Jews are not the direct targets, we must object. As a multi-racial people, we must feel that any racist attack is a direct attack. We know that the causes of racism and ethnic hatred are very much the same as those of anti-semitism; even more, the cure is much the same.

It has been observed that whereas Western Civilization speaks in terms of rights, the Torah commands us in terms of obligation. Our Torah does not so much say a wronged person has a right to justice; rather, the Torah speaks of an obligation of others to act justly. It is supply-side justice. It is more than semantic; it describes the organizing principle of society.

Hate radio violates several Torah precepts. It places a “stumbling block before the blind” by leading some to hate others or to “shoot to kill” Federal agents (in the words of G. Gordon Liddy). It creates enmity between people, which is forbidden by the mitzvot of “you shall not hate your neighbor in your heart” and “you shall not vex your neighbor” along with several other specific mitzvot. It discourages people from fulfilling their mitzvot of tzedaqah, of loving others, of being kind to others. It teaches disrespect for God’s creation. I therefore must speak not of a right to free speech (which I uphold), but of our obligation to object.

Computers Needed

The BEKI offices, library and education programs could use donated 386-, 486- and Pentium-based computers. If you or your workplace have computers you can donate, please contact Rabbi Tilsen at 389-2108.

Jon-Jay Tilsen & Miriam Benson
wish all a shana tova umetuqa,
a good and sweet New Year.

September 1995
Dear Rabbi,

I just don't know what to wear for the High Holy Days. Any suggestions?

Signed, Wary of Wearing Wrong Rags

Dear Wary,

While many deride the ostentation shown in dress in some communities on the Days of Awe, tradition does recommend special dress within certain guidelines. One's presence and one's spiritual involvement is more important than dress, and no one should stay away because they do not have or do not wish to wear special clothes. That said, traditional sources discourage the wearing of dirty or torn clothing. Even more, if one can, one ought to wear special clothes for Yontif, as a way to help oneself feel and others to see that it is a special day. One's attire ought to be distinct from one's regular weekday outfit, and dress should reflect the value of tzeniut, modesty.

One's Tallit ought to reflect the value of hidur mitzva—beautifying the performance of a commandment. Fine tallitot are available through the BEKI Sisterhood Gift Shop (a gift for yourself or for a loved one) and at other fine Judaica stores. The tallit is worn to all morning services and to Kol Nidre service.

The wearing of a kitel (white robe) is also traditional (not only for Rabbis and Cantors), especially for morning services and Yom Kippur. The kitel represents equality, simplicity and purity.

The wearing of non-leather shoes on Yom Kippur is traditional as well. For this reason, canvas sneakers have become a common sight in many Conservative shuls. Shoes should be comfortable, since we will be standing a lot; there is no mitzva of podiatral masochism.

Dear Rabbi,

Why do we have to stand so much during Yom Kippur? Is it supposed to be punishment or what?

Signed, Weary of Standing

Dear Weary,

Most of the standing was instituted by Rabbis and Cantors to impress upon the congregation the importance of certain prayers or rituals. Much of it can be viewed as custom, not law. Even when the printed instructions in our mahzor tell us to stand, it is usually reflecting no more than the editor's preferred custom. Even during the passages for which there is truly a "requirement" to stand, standing should not come at the price of pain or injury.

On Yom Kippur we are supposed to "afflict our souls," not our soles. For perspective, consider that in the rabbinic scheme of worship, listening and answering "Amen" to the Cantor's berakhot is very important; standing for them is not very important.

Dear Rabbi,

My elderly mother insists on fasting on Yom Kippur even though she is very weak. Can't you tell her to stop it?

Signed, Worried About Water

Dear Worried,

Fasting on Yom Kippur is a mitzva and it is spiritually very important for every adult Jew who is able to observe the fast. But if one's physician says not to, don't. Otherwise you must. You have to be able to control yourself. But it is not worth fainting or being sick.

While in our High Holy Day imagery we sometimes depict ourselves as sheep, the purpose of the fast is not to cull the weakest of our flock. Tell your mother that Dear Rabbi says she can fast only with her physician's permission.

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.

Qiddush Sponsors

Qiddush on Shabbat morning June 26th was sponsored by Marsha and Eric Beller in honor of the opening of the Law Office of Eric I.B. Beller, P.C.

In July, a qiddush was sponsored by Pat Goodwin, Tina Rose sponsored a qiddush in memory of her mother's yahzeit, and Leon Cummings also sponsored a qiddush.
High Holiday Services

Selichot at Congregation Sinai
Saturday, September 16, 1995
Evening Selichot Service 10:00 PM

Erev Rosh HaShanah
Sunday, September 24, 1995
Qever Avot Serv.—Hamden Cemetery 10:00 AM
Qever Avot Serv.—W. Haven Cemetery 11:00 AM
Minha 6:30 PM
Evening Service 6:40 PM

Rosh HaShanah (First Day)
Monday, September 25, 1995
Morning Service 8:30 AM
Youth Service 11:00 AM
Tashlikh at Edgewood Bridge 5:30 PM
Evening Service 6:30 PM

Rosh HaShanah (Second Day)
Tuesday, September 26, 1995
Morning Service 8:30 AM
Youth Service 11:00 AM
Minha 5:45 PM

Erev Yom Kippur
Tuesday, October 3, 1995
Minha 6:00 PM
Kol Nidre 6:15 PM

Yom Kippur
Wednesday, October 4, 1995
Morning Service 9:00 AM
Yizkor Memorial Service morning service
Minha 4:45 PM
Ne’ilah Service 5:45 PM
Final Shofar 7:00 PM
Havdala Service 7:07 PM
Break Fast 7:12 PM

Qever Avot Memorial Services

The annual Qever Avot Cemetery Memorial Services will be held at 10:00 AM at the Hamden Cemetery and at 11:00 AM at the West Haven Cemetery on Sunday 24 September 1995.
Rabbi Tilsen will lead us in communal prayer and there will be time for individual memorial prayers.

Baby Sitting on the High Holidays

Attention Parents! Baby Sitting will be provided on the High Holidays during the hours listed below.
A donation of $2 per hour per family would be greatly appreciated. Please mail donations.
Also, please bring a name tag for your child so that the sitters will have an easier time identifying them.

Rosh HaShanah
Monday, September 25th 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Tuesday, September 26th 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Kol Nidre
Tuesday, October 3rd 6:00 PM – 8:45 PM

Yom Kippur
Wednesday, October 4th 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Please call the office at 389-2108 by September 8th to reserve a place for your child(ren).

Youth Programs and Services

On Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur, we will provide three separate Youth Programs and Services, all taking place from 11:00 AM to 12 NOON. A pre-school program for children 3-6 will take place in the Claire Goodwin Youth Room. This program will center on experiential activities, songs and concepts related to the holidays. Children 7-11 are invited to our Junior Minyan. Also, please note that the Library will be open for parents and their infants.

Need a Letter for Employer or School?

Shul members occasionally need letters to employers or principals explaining the nature of the Jewish holiday observance. Despite the high level of understanding in our community, there is still a need for education and information. It is important that our children be in shul for all of Yontif.
If you would like such a letter for Rosh HaShanah, Yom Kippur, or Sukkot, call Rabbi Tilsen at 389-2108.
Darshanim & Speakers in September

Ahud Sela, a recent graduate of the Hopkins School and Makom Hebrew High School, will be studying in Israel as a Nativ Scholar beginning this month. He was a National Merit Scholar, one of nine in Connecticut, and plans to study chemistry at the University of California at Santa Barbara upon returning to the United States. He is a BEKI member who frequently leads services and reads Torah. Ahud lives in the Beaver Hill neighborhood. He will be our Darshan on Shabbat morning 9 September during the 9:15 AM service.

Robert Johnston teaches History at Yale University. He will be our guest speaker on Friday Night 15 September at 8:00 PM.

Sydney Perry is the Director of the Department of Jewish Education and Associate Director of the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven. She lives in Westville. She will be our darshanit on Shabbat morning 23 September during the morning service.

Rabbi Murray Levine is Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Beth Sholom in Framingham, Massachusetts and serves as the Jewish Chaplain at the Hospital of St. Raphael. He was ordained at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. He is a BEKI member and lives in Westville. Dr. Levine is our Darshan on Shabbat Shuva—The Sabbath of Return on 30 September during the 9:15 am service.

Shabbat and Holidays
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29 September 6:19 7:05

September Events

1 Friday 6:00 PM Qabbalat Shabbat
8:00 PM Late Evening Service
Rabbi’s Topic: “It ticks you off”
2 Shabbat 9:15 AM Morning Service
10:45 AM Children’s Shabbat Havura
10:45 AM Shabbat Shalom Learners’ Minyan
5:45 PM Minha
4 Monday 9:00 AM Morning Service (Federal Holiday)
9:45 AM Rashi Study Group
6 Wed 2:00 PM Shabbat Dinner RSVP due
7:30 PM High Holy Days Music Workshop I
8 Friday 6:00 PM Qabbalat Shabbat
6:40 PM Shabbat Dinner by RSVP
9 Shabbat 9:15 AM Morning Service
Darshan: Ahud Sela
10:45 AM Children’s Shabbat Havura
10:45 AM Junior Minyan
5:45 PM Minha
11 Monday 7:45 AM Rashi Study Group
13 Wed 7:30 PM High Holy Days Music Workshop II
15 Friday 6:00 PM Qabbalat Shabbat
8:00 PM Late Friday Service
Guest Speaker: Robert Johnston
16 Shabbat 9:15 AM Morning Service
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17 Sunday 11:00 AM Memorial Service for Mr. Louis Friedman
18 Monday 7:45 AM Rashi Study Group
22 Friday 6:00 PM Qabbalat Shabbat
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Darshani: Sydney Perry
10:45 AM Children’s Shabbat Havura
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on the birth of their grandson

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The building would benefit greatly from awnings for the windows facing the parking lot. Shielding these windows would decrease the need for air conditioning thereby saving money and making the building more comfortable during the summer.

If you are interested in financing or contributing to either of these projects, please contact George Posener.
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September 1995

Tribute to George G. Posener

On Sunday, October 29th, we will hold a tribute dinner in honor of George G. Posener for his commitment, devotion and dedication to our synagogue. BEKI is indeed very fortunate to have a unique gentleman like George Posener as a congregant.

For more information about how you can help plan and work on the dinner, please call Mimi Kahn (387-8105) & Mikki Ratner (387-7882).

Save the date and join us at the dinner to celebrate the many years of his work for our synagogue!

Special Olympics Thank You

Dear Miriam [Benson],

Please extend my sincere thanks again to all of the BEKI volunteers who did such a super job to make the golf venue a success at the Special Olympics. Everyone was terrific and I will remember always the good cheer, hard work and sunny smiles of all those who helped make it possible.

Most Sincerely,

Martha Anne Yandle
Volunteer Coordinator of the 1995 Special Olympics World Games, Golf Venue

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The following members of BEKI have paid their dues and made additional contributions to BEKI as a haver (friend), parnas (supporter), or shomer (guardian). We thank you all for your assistance and your generosity.

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Both of these organizations need and deserve our help. If you want to volunteer your time, you can contact the Community Soup Kitchen at 624-4594. Donations may be sent to the Connecticut Food Bank at P.O. Box 8686, New Haven, CT 06531.

Toda Rabba תודה רבה

Thanks to George Posener for keeping the grounds of the synagogue in good order. Thanks to Rabbi Murray Levine for trimming the bushes.

Thanks to Darryl Kuperstock, Rita Sela, and Inga Fish for helping out in the office while Myra Myers, our office manager, was on vacation.