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Rabbi's Message By Rabbi Tamar Crystal

*Let's Put The "Hear"
Back Into Hearsay*



"Shimon ben Shetach said: 'Examine the witnesses diligently and be cautious in your words lest through them they learn to falsify.' "

Pirkei Avot 1:9

There has always been communication. Humans have been on the planet for 3 billion years. There have always been mechanisms for communicating facts and feelings, for bonding as a family group and tribe, and for negotiating both daily life and life-threatening emergency.

But I think it is safe to say that there has never been the level of communication there is now. In 144 characters or less people update their constituencies constantly about their every thought and movement. Some of it is profound and truly revolutionary. The recent revolts in Tunisia, Egypt and ongoing fights in Libya, Yemen, Syria, Iran and other parts of the world were successful ways to get around information blockades by autocratic rulers to the world outside the country's boundaries of the repression and atrocities within. It is absolutely true that these revolts would not have happened or even been partially successful without this boundary blasting which both updated and united various groups.

However, there is also a corollary function that can be as equally powerful in dividing as it can be in uniting. That is when the instant communication and linked-in system indulges in unchecked facts, personal aspersions, gossip, bullying, and the shredding reputations.

This tearing down rather than building up is nothing new. Hazal- the Rabbis of old - enjoined against it as far back as Mishnaic times. Even earlier, the psalmist railed against it (Ps. 34:12) by warning us "to guard our lips from evil and our tongues from speaking deceitfully."

Nor is the speed of the lying and falsification anything new. In his exceptional book, "The Information: A History" by James Gleick, the author takes us through the impact of each new invention on the culture of the time. There were some who felt that new forms of information

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dissemination would work towards the universality of truth. But the concomitant fears that calumny would just be dissipated faster proved to be true. At one point in our history there was some semblance of fact-checking in what we now call media. As we have found out to our detriment there is no brake on the internet where blogs are often screeds and the sensationalism we once railed against as yellow journalism once again has the upper hand in formerly solid news-giving organizations. If truth is the first casualty of war, then it is fair to say that we are living in a perpetual war zone where the spinning of news has become the kingdom of views and opinions, few checked or verified.

I am not the only one who is both appalled and frustrated by this. Nor am I the only one speaking out while simultaneously seeking to find ways to put the necessity for truth back on the table. Jewish law is very specific about what can and cannot be said. If as an individual you cannot convey the contents of a conversation you have not heard (what we now call hearsay)- *al ahat cama v' cama* (a rabbinical expression in Aramaic for 'how much more so') for the large audience of a village, a town, a city, a country and/or a world.

The late senator Daniel Moynihan once put it another way: "Everyone has a right to their own opinion but not to their

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Rabbi is available 24/7 for sudden illness or emergency events at **(262) 227-7087**. For non-emergency situations please feel free to call her during business hours, e-mail or contact the synagogue office and leave a message.

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR:

Memorial Plaque and Tree of Life Information

Fred Meyer ~ (414) 351-4556

To Sponsor a Kiddush

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Beth El Minyan/Service Schedule

Monday 7:30 am
 Thursday 7:30 am
 Friday 7:30 am and 7:30 pm
 Saturday & Yom Tov 9:30 am
 Secular Holidays 9:00 am

If you require a special Minyan, please notify the Beth El office at (262) 242-6900. Please contact your friends and family to help ensure a Minyan and give our office sufficient time to make the arrangements.

President's Message

By Al Simon



Dear Congregational Family,

The officers and Board of Trustees recently had a discussion about our new bulletin. It is our unanimous opinion that the bulletin has never looked better. Most of the credit goes to Judy in the office in addition to having the bulletin printed in color.

In discussing the expense of the bulletin, three suggestions were offered to reduce the cost to the synagogue.

1. Resume sending the bulletin via e-mail to those of you willing to have it in an electronic format.
2. Establish a list of congregants who would be willing to pick up the bulletin at the synagogue office as opposed to having it mailed to the home.
3. For those of you who are willing, a donation of \$18.00 would cover the postage.

If you are able or willing to accommodate any of these suggestions, please call the office. If you are willing to make the donation, send in your \$18.00 check and mark it as a donation toward the cost of the bulletin.

It is not too early to mark your calendar to attend the Annual Meeting on Sunday, June 12th, 2011. I will be completing my third year as president and it would be my honor to have you present as I move to the role of "past president".

With warmest regards,

Al Simon.

President BENT

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE

SECOND ANNUAL

ANGEL AWARD

Friday, June 10th

at 7:00 pm

Service with a very
 special oneg to follow.

Beth El Ner Tamid Synagogue Annual Meeting

on Sunday, June 12th, 10:00 am

Please come to this very important meeting.

A continental breakfast will be served at 9:30 am.

Voice of the Men's Club

By Neal Plotkin & Rodney Ugent,
Co-Presidents



*A bright spring greeting to all
Beth El Men's Club members and
to the entire Beth El family.*

May brings us to our summer break as we also conclude our weekly Sunday Minyan sponsorship with our religious school. We truly enjoy working with Debbie Intravaia and the school staff and students. This is a rewarding and sharing experience. Everyone is welcome to join us on school Sundays. Check the Beth El calendar for next year's school schedule.

On Monday, May 2nd, the Men's Club will host our monthly 'Beer & Bible' Dinner with Rabbi Crystal. For \$5.00, join us for a great dinner and conversation. Every month, our own "Chef Eugene" Rosenberg gives us his time and talent in a tremendous example of Mitzvot. Eugene is a tremendous example of the volunteer spirit that makes our Men's Club a strong part of your Beth El. If you have not attended a monthly 'Beer & Bible', you're missing the best \$5.00 value anywhere.

On Sunday, May 8th, at 10:30 am, the Men's Club is hosting our Annual Mother's Day Brunch, in Weitzman Hall. Beth El Moms eat for free, with some special entertainment form the religious school. This is another great event for all Beth El families to share. Treat mom, and let the Men's Club do the cooking. Please confirm your reservation no later than Thursday, May 5th. Flyers are in the foyer. The Men's Club will be awarding our annual college scholarships, including the Mark Treager Scholarship at the Mother's Day Brunch. Our annual Men's Club Installation Dinner, scheduled for May 19th, is being re-scheduled. We will announce the new date soon, in the bulletin and via flyers and electronic notification.

Your Beth El Men's Club is a part of your synagogue throughout the year. From the annual L'Shana Tova yearbook, weekly minyans, Chanukah candles, Yom HaShoah candles, building the synagogue sukkah, the Brewer's concession stand fundraiser, and programs every month. We rely on our Men's Club volunteers to join and share with us in a true spirit of mitzvot to bring our programs to all members and families to share and enjoy.

Neal Plotkin & Rodney Ugent
Men's Club Co-Presidents



JOIN THE MEN'S CLUB!

This is your official invitation.
We want you to join Beth El Ner Tamid
Men's Club, an award-winning affiliate of the
Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs!

Membership Invitation/Applications are in the foyer and
on our website, www.bethelnertamid.org

Yom Ha Shoah Yahrzeit Candles



The Men's Club has mailed Yom Ha Shoah Yahrzeit Candles to all of our members and friends. We ask that you join us on **Sunday, May 1st**, the evening of Yom Ha Shoah, by lighting the yellow candle and placing it in a prominent place.

As part of the worldwide Jewish community, it is our collective obligation to honor and remember the Six Million who perished in the Holocaust.



MEN'S CLUB MAY SCHEDULE

Monday, May 2nd, at 5:45 pm
Men's Club "Beer & Bible" with Rabbi Crystal

Sunday, May 8th, at 10:30 am
Men's Club Annual Mother's Day Champagne Brunch
See page 5 for all the details

Sunday, May 15th, at 10:30 am
Men's Club Monthly Meeting

Date & Time to be announced
Men's Club Installation/Man of the Year

If you are in need of a ride to any of the synagogue functions, including Shabbat Service...

Please call Barbara Simon
at (414) 351-1010.



Voice of the Sisterhood

By Phyllis Wiggins, President



I recently attended a sorority conference in Lexington, Kentucky. It was a four day event designed to conduct business and socialize as an organization. I was looking forward to spending time with a group of highly intelligent, college educated women dedicated to serving mankind. It was going to be a blast!

I should have known I was not going to get what I expected right from the start! It started with the 10 hour drive from Milwaukee. Things were scary for a while as I drove in and out of a snow storm. One minute it would be kind of sunny and the next, a full white out! I considered pulling over to wait out the storm several times as we crossed Indiana. But I'm a trooper so I kept moving and drove on through the storms.

One of the thoughts that kept me going was the fact that I was going to Kentucky in the spring! I just knew there would be some sunshine, some pretty horses, some flowers, and some good old southern grits! I knew if I could get us to Kentucky, everything would be fine for four wonderful days. I had a bright sunshiny yellow trench coat and I was going to sport it well in Kentucky!

Wrong! But I'm a trooper!

We got to Kentucky and it was so cold I could see my breath in the air! I needed two coats the one I had on (my bright yellow sunshiny one) was definitely not enough! I guess the hotel was surprised by the weather too. They had already turned off their heating system and turned on the air conditioner so it was bitterly cold in the room. Even though I had my heat turned up to 90 degrees, I had to sleep under two comforters and a blanket to stay warm!

But I'm a trooper so I didn't let that get me down!

Just when it couldn't get worse, it did! The conference didn't realize when I said I was vegan that meant I didn't eat meat! It was almost funny when they offered me a steak dinner with the option to have the *non-meat* chicken dinner instead! I just shrugged and retreated to my room for some soy milk and cheerios. Oh well! Now I was cut out of all the social events because they all involved food.

But I'm trooper! Remember?

The rest of the convention was pretty boring. The meetings were long. The workshops were the same ones they'd done for 11 consecutive years. The entertainment was kind of juvenile (or maybe I'm just getting too old to understand it). It was a complete bust!

Then, on the way home, I saw something to make it all worthwhile. I was driving past this field and saw the most

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BETH EL NER TAMID SYNAGOGUE JUDAICA BOUTIQUE

Gift Certificates Available

Start Traditions... *Sabbath Candlesticks*
Menorahs ♪ *Seder Plates* ♪ *Bride's Bibles*
Mezuzot ♪ *Shofars* ♪ *Tallitot*

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Sunday: 10:00 am to 12:00 noon

Thursday: 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Or By Appointment

Please call: Ydelle Litwack (414) 510-4677
Deanna Spanjar (262) 242-4336
Ilene Wasserman (414) 228-8307

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(In Honor Of, In Memory Of, Speedy Recovery, Mazel Tov, etc.)

Chair: Ilse Eisendrath (414) 352-6406

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(In Honor Of, In Memory Of, Speedy Recovery, Mazel Tov, etc.)

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(In Honor Of, In Memory Of, Speedy Recovery, Mazel Tov, etc.)

Harriet Blumberg (414) 351-6107

Barbara Simon (414) 351-1010

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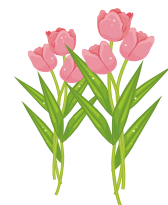
majestic brown horses I'd ever seen. I love horses! I have always loved them. These horses were huge and strong looking and just standing around as if to say, "See me? I'm a horse!"

At the end of the field, there stood a white house and a white fence. At the base of the house was a patch of colorful flowers. Now, I don't know if they were real but they sure were colorful. The day was sunny and warm and everything looked springtime fresh!

It reminded me that spring is a time of renewal. Things that looked bad, sad, or lonely can look fresh in the spring. Perhaps, however, it's us! We change in the spring! We put on a new outlook and freshen up our perspectives. We are charged with hope and a sense of curiosity. We, like flowers, sprout new colors and new life! It reminded me that *life was good!*

This spring, you'll have the chance to share a beautiful reminder of renewal by planting a fresh plant in your garden. Sisterhood's spring fundraiser involved purchasing fresh planted flowers to beautify your homes. They were healthy, beautiful, and colorful. Thank you to all who purchased them. Perhaps, someone will be grumpily driving by your home and spot a patch of color that will remind them that *life is good!*

Happy May flowers!



Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis-Marie Wiggins,
Sisterhood President, 2010-2012

SISTERHOOD MAY SCHEDULE

Monday, May 2nd, at 11:00 am—The Sisterhood Perspectives Program will feature Susie Fono. Susie will give a "Holocaust Presentation." Please bring a brown bag lunch, dairy or pareve only (no meat). The monthly meeting will follow.

Wednesday, May 4th, at 10:00 am—The Sisterhood Book Club will meet in the Beth El Library. They are reading 'Wherever You Go' by Joan Leegant. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Thursday, May 5th, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm—Come to Mah Jongg Night at BENT. Bring friends or we will find a table for you. The cost is only \$1.00 per person. All are welcome.

SISTERHOOD TORAH FUND BRUNCH



Sunday, June 5th, 11:00 am
at Congregation Beth Israel
**Congratulations to
Betty Rae Litow
Our Woman of
Achievement!**

Watch your mail for your invitation and kindly respond as soon as possible.

**Sponsored by the Beth El Ner Tamid Men's Club
with participation from the Religious School**

The Fifth Annual Mother's Day Champagne Brunch

Sunday, May 8th, from 10:30 am to 12:00 noon

Beth El Moms eat FREE!

Adults (12 years & older) ~ \$5.00

Children (5 to 11 years) ~ \$3.00 ~ Children (4 years & under) ~ Free

Come celebrate Mother's Day in style at Beth El Ner Tamid, with an elegant champagne brunch featuring your favorite brunch food selections, complimentary sparkling wine and a beautiful flower for mom. Table decorations designed by the children of our school, along with special entertainment and food preparation.

**Cooking by Doug Fox, Eugene Rosenberg and Men's Club
Call Neal Plotkin with questions: (414) 351-6143**

Please RSVP by Thursday, May 5th to the Beth El Ner Tamid office at (262) 242-6900 or fill out the form below and mail your check to the Beth El Office at 2909 W. Mequon Road, Mequon, WI 53092. Make checks payable to the Beth El Ner Tamid Men's Club.

The Fifth Annual Mother's Day Champagne Brunch ~ 5/08/11

Name: _____

Beth El Mother's Dinners (Free) _____

Adult Dinners (12 years & older—\$5.00 each) _____

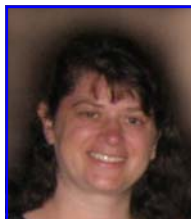
Children Dinners (5 to 11 years—\$3.00 each) _____

Children Dinners (4 years & under—Free) _____

Total amount included: \$ _____

Family Education Center News

By *Debbie Intravaia*,
Religious School Director



When I began the Directorship of our Religious School 3½ years ago, I had one thought that continuously goes through my mind- “.....not like when I went to school, not like when I went to school...” I definitely got a fine education at Beth El, but the classroom was really...well, really dull. Textbooks have come a long way since my youth. Many of the old ones remain in our school’s bookroom in the basement and it’s really funny opening one up and seeing the names of your now grown children written in the front cover. I’m still waiting to spot *my* name in one of them! The textbooks had few pictures and were always in black and white. Today, the materials we use have colored pictures and many come with an accompanying CD. After a lesson, the children can enhance their learning through game play on the computers. They are learning vocabulary and reviewing what they were taught by their instructors. Behrman House offers free downloads for my iPhone. My youngest daughter can review the Shema and her 1st grade Sunday school class just used the Mah Nishtanah download. They played games to learn the vocabulary words. It was fun for them to learn and review-what a concept, huh? Babaganewz also offers many activities, recipes, and learning opportunities on their website at babaganewz.com. In fact, I have a whole list of Jewish learning websites if anyone wants a copy.

For Passover, our children made a family keepsake. They had their choice of painting an Elijah cup, salt water dish, or Seder plate. The art pieces were fired at Glaze, the pottery shop in Thiensville, and were ready to be used at their own Seder. The following week we held our annual school Seder. This year we followed the theme of Passover around the world where we included traditions from other countries.

Our High School class has finished their submissions for the Jewish Lens project I’ve talked about in previous articles. Come to the JCC on May 10th to see photographs from the different Jewish schools in the Milwaukee area based on the theme “You, Me, and Community.” They also will be helping to distribute Passover foods to the families who need help during the Teen Day of Social Action. On May 1st, they will be attending another Interfaith Café. The last one was at All Saints Catholic Church and the next one will be at the Islamic Society of Milwaukee. The Cafés are very interesting and the teens enjoy meeting people and learning about different faiths.

***Have a Happy Passover,
filled with rich tradition and love!***

Debbie Intravaia,
Religious School Director

You’re Invited to Attend

The Jewish Lens Milwaukee Exhibit & Reception “You, Me & Community”

Featuring the photos and words of
our community’s youth.

**Tuesday, May 10th, 2011
from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm**

Dessert Buffet to follow

**Daniel M. Soref Community Hall
Harry & Rose Samson Family
Jewish Community Center**
6255 N. Santa Monica Blvd.

For more information, please call the
Jewish Lens Midwest

Coordinator Kipp Friedman at (414) 259-0214 or the
Coalition for Jewish Learning at (414) 963-2710 or
visit www.youngjewishmilwaukee.org or
www.jewishlens.org

Come to Beth El’s Family Shabbat Service on Friday, May 20th A family lead service

***Serving Hors d’oeuvres at 6:45 pm
Service Time is at 7:00 pm
with Oneg to follow***



The Religious School has challenged the congregation from now until Shavuot to see who comes up with the most pennies to be donated to charity. There are two collection bowls in the conference room (the Rabbi’s old office), each clearly marked School and Congregation. The winner of the competition gets to choose the charity the pennies will be donated to. Similar competitions in shuls our size have netted over a thousand dollars in pennies! Please bring your unwanted pennies in and make them useful again.

Last day of Religious School is Sunday, May 15th

If you know someone who is looking for a wonderful Jewish education experience for their child(ren), please bring them one of our colored brochures and have them call our

Religious School Director, Debbie Intravaia
at (920) 451-8654. Or they can e-mail
Debbie at pasta963@att.net

2011 Candidates For Confirmation

Confirmation is a special time in our teenagers' lives. By sending your personal greeting, you can contribute to a lasting and meaningful keepsake of this occasion.

Please indicate with a "X" each Confirmand to whom you wish to send a personalized message.

Leagrams are \$2.00 each. Please forward your order as soon as possible to:

Debbie Intravaia, 2715 North Avenue, Sheboygan, WI 53083

Your check must accompany your order, **payable to Beth El Ner Tamid Sisterhood.**

Please call Debbie at (920) 451-8654 for further information or if you have any questions. **Deadline is May 18, 2011.**

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Congregation Beth Israel

Confirmand	Parents Name(s)	Confirmand	Parents Name(s)
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitchell Bass	Donald & Caren Bass	<input type="checkbox"/> Connor Wahrman	Harlan & Joan Wahrman
<input type="checkbox"/> Anna Linton	Susan & Scott Linton	<input type="checkbox"/> Stephanie Weiss	Bruce Weiss & Melinda Steffey
<input type="checkbox"/> Gregory Markman	Janet & Charles Markman		

Congregation Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun

Confirmand	Parents Name(s)	Confirmand	Parents Name(s)
<input type="checkbox"/> Samantha Abramovich	Stan & Melissa Abramovich	<input type="checkbox"/> Jordan Marks	Mitchell & Cathy Marks
<input type="checkbox"/> Anna Barth	Michael & Lynda Barth	<input type="checkbox"/> Aaron Mays	Randall & Stacy Mays
<input type="checkbox"/> Kendra Kaiman	Keith & Sherri Kaiman	<input type="checkbox"/> Mara Rosen	Michael & Pamela Rosen

Congregation Shalom

Confirmand	Parents Name(s)	Confirmand	Parents Name(s)
<input type="checkbox"/> Avery Anapol	Pam Sable	<input type="checkbox"/> Justin Johnson	Daniel & Shelly Johnson
	Fred Anapol	<input type="checkbox"/> Andrew Keene	Debbie Keene
<input type="checkbox"/> Kevin Back	Brian Back & Dr. Andrea Winthrop	<input type="checkbox"/> Elana Lambert	Steven & Wendy Lambert
<input type="checkbox"/> Michaela Bear	Brian & Laurel Bear	<input type="checkbox"/> Benjamin Levey	Michael Levey &
<input type="checkbox"/> Adam Bodner	William & Barbara Bodner		Linda Gorens-Levey
<input type="checkbox"/> Ellen Cranberg	Jim & Judi Cranberg	<input type="checkbox"/> Avi Mayerhoff	Lori Rosenthal
<input type="checkbox"/> Bryce Derzon	Alan & Dalyn Derzon		Marc Mayerhoff
<input type="checkbox"/> Tatyanna Derzon	Alan & Dalyn Derzon	<input type="checkbox"/> Jared Mazin	Barry & Karen Mazin
<input type="checkbox"/> Alexander Friedlen	David & Karen Friedlen	<input type="checkbox"/> Bradyn Mclean	Scot & Bonie Mclean
<input type="checkbox"/> Simon Gilbert	Michael & Jennifer Gilbert	<input type="checkbox"/> Elizabeth Meister	David & Barbara Meister
<input type="checkbox"/> Michelle Gould	Bob & Chris Gould	<input type="checkbox"/> Elisabeth Platt	Robert & Nora Platt
<input type="checkbox"/> Jacob Grindel	Steven & Laurie Grindel	<input type="checkbox"/> Brooke Silverberg	Sanford & Jody Silverberg
<input type="checkbox"/> Benjamin Henken	Rob & Barrie Henken	<input type="checkbox"/> Jared Smith	Wendy Smith
<input type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Johnson	Daniel & Shelly Johnson	<input type="checkbox"/> Anya Vlasoff	Donald Smith
			Inna Dulkan & Dmitry Vlasoff

Congregation Sinai

Confirmand	Parents Name(s)	Confirmand	Parents Name(s)
<input type="checkbox"/> Kathy McManus	MJ Whiting	<input type="checkbox"/> Jacob Schermer	Brian & Deb Schermer
<input type="checkbox"/> Milton Padway	Nick & Janet Padway	<input type="checkbox"/> Bria Schlossmann	Michael & Ellen Schlossman
<input type="checkbox"/> Alicia Rowen	Larry & Ellen Rowen	<input type="checkbox"/> Mariah Schlossmann	Michael & Ellen Schlossman

ANNIVERSARIES

- Douglas & Gail Fox**
May 16, 2011 ~ 24h Anniversary
- Bernard & Marilyn Rosen**
May 25, 2011 ~ 59th Anniversary
- Garry & Sherri Beder**
May 28, 2011 ~ 11th Anniversary
- Ted & Jane Kotchen**
May 29, 2011 ~ 47th Anniversary
- Seymour & Annabelle Wasser**
May 30, 2011 ~ 61st Anniversary
- Brian & Judy Parrish**
May 31, 2011 ~ 7th Anniversary

BIRTHDAYS

- Genevieve Derzon May 1, 2011
- Sharon Lichter May 2, 2011
- Zachary Wahrman May 3, 2011 13th Birthday
- Fred Meyer May 4, 2011
- Stephen Goldstein May 6, 2011
- Ilene Wasserman May 7, 2011
- Stephen Weinstein May 8, 2011
- Eva Bard May 10, 2011
- Steven Meyer May 12, 2011 22nd Birthday
- Harvey Kaufman May 13, 2011
- Adam Segal May 13, 2011
- Ralph Jankins May 14, 2011
- Theodore Pittelman May 14, 2011
- Neal Lebow May 16, 2011
- Dorie Sand May 16, 2011
- Sara Lerner May 25, 2011
- Aaron Rempel May 25, 2011 15th Birthday
- Rabbi Leonard Lewy May 27, 2011
- Sidney Kastrul May 29, 2011
- Harleene Hoffman May 31, 2011

**Celebrate a birthday,
wedding anniversary or
special simcha...
Sponsor a Kiddush!**

Sponsoring a Kiddush is a wonderful way to celebrate a special event in your and your family's lives. Your special event will be featured in the Saturday bulletin and acknowledged from the Bimah. For further information, please contact Donna Brown at the Synagogue office (262) 242-6900 or executivedirector@bethelnertamid.org

Support Our Synagogue



Marcus Theater Certificates are available for purchase in the synagogue office. They make wonderful gifts and are a great way to support our synagogue! The certificates are available in the amounts of \$5.00 and \$10.00.

For more information, please contact the office at (262) 242-6900.

SHOP SENDIK'S! SUPPORT BENT!



Sendik's Scrip is available at BENT!

Cards can be purchased for cash or check in amounts of \$50 or \$100. For more information or to order cards, please call the office at (262) 242-6900. Sorry no charges.

Wish List For Beth El

~ Folding Chairs ~

Please contact Donna Brown at (262) 242-6900 or donnabrown@wi.rr.com

The Synagogue and Sisterhood accept Visa and MasterCard



You can charge dues, synagogue events (such as concerts and dinners) and items purchased in the Sisterhood Gift Shop.

Leagram Order Form

Deadline is May 18, 2011

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Total Leagrams: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Write Message Here (If you do not have one, we will provide one for you):

FUND CARDS for March & April

GENERAL FUND:

In Honor Of:

Joe Hirschberg (89th Birthday)
Millie Lerner

Kiesl Kaufman (90th Birthday)
Bob & Andrea Mandel

Milt Stein (90th Birthday)
Dan & Bettine Lipman

In Memory Of:

Doris Katz
Susan Abramson-Johnson
& Paul Johnson
Brian & Diana Wagner

Shirley Wagan
Fay Siegel
Seymour & Annabelle Wasser

SOCIAL ACTION FUND:

General Donation:

Edward Blumberg & Sandra Weinstein

In Honor Of:

Enid Bootzin-Berkovitz
Joe & Harriet Hirschberg

In Memory Of:

Shirley Wagan
Phyllis Greenberg
Bob & Linda Kulakow
Marge Kulakow

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Yahrzeits for March & April

"BECAUSE OF CHARITY THE WORLD ABIDES..."
RASHI, PIRKEI AVOT

Max Bensman, beloved father-in-law of Andree Bensman
Bessie Bocksbaum, beloved mother-in-law of Sidney Kastrul
Joseph Bocksbaum, beloved father-in-law of Sidney Kastrul
Tillie Bodner, beloved mother-in-law of Kiesl Kaufman
Alfred Chester, beloved father of Fred Chester
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Nathan Eisendrath, beloved father-in-law of Janet Eisendrath
Harry S. Eizen, beloved father of Cheryl Eizen
Sidney Erens, beloved brother of Beulah Erensky
Goldie Gorenstein, beloved aunt of Nancee Bernstein
Philip Honig, beloved grandfather of Amy Ginsberg
Aaron Kaufman, beloved father of Kiesl Kaufman
Dorothy Lerner, beloved mother of Barbara Bern
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Judith Rubinstein, beloved mother of Beverly Rubinstein
Jacqueline Schmidt, beloved wife of Shep Schmidt
Maurice Schmidt, beloved father of Shep Schmidt
Sarah Schmidt, beloved mother of Shep Schmidt
Ann Sweet, beloved sister-in-law of Kiesl Kaufman
Max Sweet, beloved father of Norbert Sweet
Ruth Sweet, beloved wife of Norbert Sweet
Rose Wilk, beloved mother of Stuart Wilk

MEMORIAL PLAQUE INFORMATION

Numerous congregants have found that the most appropriate and dignified manner to honor and perpetuate the cherished memory of their beloved departed is through providing a bronze memorial plaque, to be mounted upon the synagogue's memorial tablet. Memorial lights are kindled at each memorial plaque during every yizkor service and on each respective yahrzeit.

The cost per plaque is \$250.00

Please contact Rabbi Crystal at (262) 242-6900
or Fred Meyer at (414) 351-4556
for further information.

IN MEMORIAM

**The community of Beth El Ner Tamid
mourn the passing of:**

Shirley Wagan

Beloved wife of the late Isadore Wagan. Cherished mother of Sanford (Pearl), Howard (Diane), and Paul Wagan. Loving grandmother of Tracey Hirsch, Eric, Ian and Jonah Wagan and dear great-grandmother of Natalie Hirsch.

**May all be comforted by the thoughts and
prayers of friends and family.**

SPECIAL BETH EL SHABBAT SERVICES**May 14th, at 9:30 am**

Join us as we honor our faithful "minyannaires" - those intrepid souls who make up the morning minyans rain, snow or shine, allowing not only prayer to be the basis of BENT but providing a base for those who need to say Kaddish morning or evening. A very special Kiddush will be provided.

**May 28th, at 9:30 am**

Join us on Memorial Day weekend for a special Shabbat honoring our Jewish Veterans - those in our community who served honorably in the Armed Forces of the United States and/or Israel. As they gave their service to their countries we should give our thanks and prayers for their service.

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own facts." Our tradition is extremely firm about delineating what you can and cannot communicate. At the most basic level, you are not allowed to communicate that which you have not directly heard or witnessed. And even when you have been a witness or a participant there are strict protocols about what can be further conveyed so that truth and sensitivity are at all times paramount.

So I am taking my stand on putting the "hear" back in "hearsay." Only if you have heard it should you say it. And even if you have heard it you have the primary responsibility of separating fact from opinion and not spreading "loshon hara"- gossip and unsubstantiated and/or inflammatory speech.

You don't have to believe me. For those who wish to learn further I recommend a book called "Guard Your Tongue" by the Chofetz Chayim. I would be happy to discuss it with anyone who is concerned with the destructiveness of speech at all levels today accelerated by the speed and ubiquitousness of our system of information dissemination.

*Rabbi Tamar Crystal***Come see****'Fiddler on the Roof'**

A Timeless Classic of American
Musical Theatre starring
John Preece as Tevye at the
Marcus Center for



the Performing Arts on Thursday, June 16th, at 7:30 pm

See the flyer in this bulletin for more information.**CHEVRA MISHNA DONOR****Amy Ginsberg****TODAH RABAH!****Yom Hashoah 2011/5771****Sunday, May 1st, at 2:30 pm**

At Harry & Rose Samson Family
Jewish Community Center in Whitefish Bay

Memorial to the Six Million, Remembrance of the
Warsaw Ghetto Uprising & All Resistance

For details, call Dorene Paley at (414) 967-8217

*Next up from KOACH***Love Letters from an Ancient Jewish Tradition
~ Thursday, May 19th ~**

A special program by Leah Dobkin, MSW, Columbia
University, noted author & speaker. Hear about
Legacy letters, a reemerging Jewish tradition.

At Congregation Shalom
7630 N. Santa Monica Blvd

**KOACH 10 Years Strong
~ Thursday, June 2nd ~**

Starring Wendy Becker & Rik Howard
Our favorite vocal & piano duo performance from L.A.
At Congregation Beth Israel, 6880 N. Green Bay Ave.

For reservations or information
call Diane Sobel at (414) 967-8258

**Conference on Depression: Hope & Health
Friday, May 13th, from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm**

at Milwaukee County War Memorial Center in Milwaukee

Conference is free and open to the community.

For details contact: Norma Gilson at JFS
(414) 390-5800 or ngilson@jfsmilw.org

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04/11/11 DMB

SI-Sisterhood MC-Men's Club BOT-Board of Trustees RS-Religious School

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 Nissan 9:00 AM RS	28 Nissan 7:30 AM Minyan 11:00 AM SI Meeting 5:45 PM MC Beer & Bible	29 Nissan 3	30 Nissan 10:00 AM SI Book Club	1 Iyar 7:30 AM Minyan 4:15 PM RS 7:00 PM Mah Jongg	2 Iyar 7:40 PM candle lighting 7:30 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Shabbat Svc	3 Iyar 9:30 AM Worship Svc
4 Iyar 9:00 AM RS	5 Iyar 7:30 AM Minyan	6 Iyar 10	7 Iyar 7:30 PM Choir Practice	8 Iyar 7:30 AM Minyan 4:15 PM RS	9 Iyar 7:48 PM candle lighting 7:30 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Shabbat Svc	10 Iyar 9:30 AM Worship Svc with Choir Honoring Faithful Minyannaires
10:30 AM Mens Club Annual Mother's Day Brunch						
11 Iyar 9:00 AM Last Day of Religious School 10:30 AM MC Mtg	12 Iyar 7:30 AM Minyan	13 Iyar 17 7:30 PM BOT Mtg	14 Iyar 18	15 Iyar 7:30 AM Minyan	16 Iyar 7:55 PM candle lighting 7:30 AM Minyan Family Shabbat Service 6:45 PM Hors d'oeuvres 7:00 PM Service Time	17 Iyar 9:30 AM Worship Svc
18 Iyar	19 Iyar 7:30 AM Minyan	20 Iyar 24	21 Iyar 25	22 Iyar 7:30 AM Minyan	23 Iyar 8:02 PM candle lighting 7:30 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Shabbat Svc	24 Iyar 9:30 AM Worship Svc with Choir Honoring Jewish Veterans
25 Iyar	26 Iyar 7:30 AM Minyan	27 Iyar 31				

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