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North Shore AIPAC Event
June 10 at CSH
featuring
Rev. Dee Dee Coleman
(see page 35)

Extra Chapters Jewish Book Month Event in partnership with Temple Sinai and Congregation Shirat Hayam:
June 12 at the JCC
featuring our own
Michele Tamaren
and her new book “ExtraOrdinary”
(see page 27)

If you are celebrating a 5-year milestone wedding anniversary and did not receive an invitation, it means we don’t have your anniversary on file. Please let us know!

North Shore AIPAC Event cordially invites you to stand under the chuppa and renew your vows at a service as we celebrate your special anniversary.

Friday, the fifteenth of June at six o’clock in the evening

Congregation Shirat Hayam

Please join us for an hors d’oeuvre reception in your honor at five-thirty prior to the service sponsored by Helaine and James Hazlett in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

RSVP  Please let us know that you will be joining us by contacting Marylou at 781.599.8005, Ext. 10 or email: Marylou@ShiratHayam.org

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A Selection...

Revolution of Jewish Spirit

The following is from my upcoming book, co-authored with Ellen Frankel, "Revolution of Jewish Spirit: How to Revive Ruakh in Judaism, Inspire Jewish Communities & Transform Your Synagogue." It will be published by Jewish Lights Publishing this fall.

The Ruakh-Less Mess: From Crisis To Hope

In so many areas American Jews in the twenty-first century have succeeded. We are overwhelmingly and disproportionately educated, affluent and professionally accomplished. But while we are flourishing as individuals we are floundering as a Jewish community, people and religion.

Contrary to the outward success Jewish people are having, many Jewish institutions, Jewish communities and Judaism itself are not enjoying similar success. Most Jewish leaders and institutions know this, but too many sit helplessly by not knowing how to fix the problems. Revolution of Jewish Spirit is a proactive response to address these issues and transform the outcome.

The Blame Game

While the problems are clear, in my experience too many of today’s Jewish leaders, both lay and professional, are not addressing the issues aggressively, not addressing them with vision and all too often not addressing them at all. For many Jewish professionals and leaders who are mired within the problems the answer seems obvious that the Jews in the pews, or not in the pews as the case may be, are to blame. Such leaders throw up their hands as they yell at the back of the heads of those walking out the door. They sit and stew in resentment, anger and despair, but do little to connect with the hearts, minds or souls of those leaving the synagogues and simply validate what those leaving suspected all along—Judaism, Jewish institutions and Jewish communities seem reactive, uninspired and broken. But whose fault is it if Jews today are walking out the door? Does it make sense to blame someone for being uninspired, unengaged, and unattached to something they perceive as irrelevant to their daily lives, that doesn’t speak to their mind, body, heart or soul?

Other “isms”

When one door closes another opens and today many Jews are walking through the doors of Buddhism, Hinduism, Sufism, and other “isms” of all types. Visit your typical urban Zen center and you are likely to find not only Jews meditating but Jewish born Zen masters teaching at the center. Attend a local yoga studio and chances are you’re more likely to find a minyan there than you will in your neighborhood shul. It isn’t necessarily that these Jews are uninterested in religion; they are uninterested in the religion of their birth as it has been presented to them. It isn’t that they aren’t out there seeking spirituality; they just aren’t seeking it within Judaism. Jews, young and old, are searching and seeking pathways of spirit in religion, of ways to connect to the sacred.

And those not seeking out explicitly spiritual paths are getting their souls’ needs met and finding Ruakh in other, more modern quasi-religious ways that fall under the umbrella of “tikkun olam.” For many these pursuits have filled the void of a Ruakh-less Judaism and taken the place of a synagogue.

Today Jews revere the university the way they used to revere their temples. They get behind, support and sustain a whole host of secular non-profits the way they did for their once beloved Jewish institutions. Jews are out in the world, passionately making a difference because, frankly, this is what they were taught and raised to do. “Our mission is tikkun olam,” Jews were told time and again, “get out there and fix the world and be a mensch.”

And so they are out there “fixing the world,” searching and sustaining, giving and creating, committing themselves to all kinds of important and worthy efforts and causes. But they learned they could be a mensch without joining a temple. While the walls of synagogues echoed with the important themes of social justice and repairing the world, they fell all too silent when it came to the themes of a spiritual and personally transformative Judaism. While many rabbis and Jewish leaders preached continuity for the sake of continuity, this uninspired mantra was heavy with coercion and guilt rather that Ruakh and joy.

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As I continue to refer to Jewish symbols, one that stands out the most for all the world to notice is, of course, the Magen David, or as it is more commonly known, the Star of David. It is actually a relatively recent Jewish symbol. It is supposed to represent the shape of King David’s shield. Scholars have attributed deep theological significance to the symbol. Some note that the top triangle strives upward, toward God, while the lower triangle strives downward, toward the real world. Some note that there are actually 12 exterior sides representing the 12 tribes. While these theories are theologically interesting, they have little basis in historical fact.

In the 17th Century, it became a popular practice to put a Magen David on the outside of a synagogue, to identify it as a house of worship much the same way that a cross identified a Christian house of worship.

Throughout our history, Jews often were required to wear badges to identify themselves as Jews, much as the “yellow star” was required to be worn in Nazi Germany and the rest of occupied Europe during WWII.

The Magen David gained popularity as a symbol of Judaism when it was adopted as the emblem of the Zionist movement in 1897 and later, with great controversy, used on the flag of Israel.

Another popular motif in Jewish symbols is the Hamesh Hand or “Hamsa” as we know it. Go into any Judaica gift shop and you will find necklaces, bracelets or even wall decorations bearing this inverted hand with thumb and pinky pointing upward. The design usually has an eye or a Hebrew letter in the center. There is nothing exclusively Jewish about the Hamsa. Arab cultures often refer to it as the Hand of Fatima, which represents the Hand of God. Similar designs are common in many cultures. Why has it become such a popular symbol among Jews? Best guess: In many cultures, this hand pattern represents a protection against the “evil eye” (a malignant spiritual influence caused by the jealousy of others), and the “evil eye” has historically been a popular superstition among Jews.

L’Shalom,
Cantor Emil
God-Awareness

Sometimes, God is simply not on my mind. When I am stuck in traffic, running late for an appointment, and I raise my anxiety level with the hope that it will somehow get me to my destination more quickly, God is not on my mind. When I accidentally buy the wrong Amtrak ticket only to realize it at the counter in South Station as the ticket clerk tells me I need to pay an extra $54, and I give a big sigh as if it is his fault, hoping he will realize that he should have mercy on poor silly me who bought the wrong ticket, God is not on my mind. Stories like these, in which I go through life ungracefully, sometimes behaving like a child due to a lack of God-awareness, are not uncommon in my life, and I know that I am not alone in this; I see it happening all around me. Sometimes, we either forget about God, or crazier yet, we do not let God in because we think that our problems are too big for God. Perhaps, we simply do not have faith.

But I understand this mentality. After all, I cannot see God, and I have no way of knowing that God is here, and especially that God has any effect on my life in this world. When I have these kinds of doubts, which I do all the time, I stop for a moment and take a look at the world, searching for God. When I am searching for God, the easiest place for me to begin my search is in nature. Henry David Thoreau said, "Nature is full of genius, full of the divinity. So that not a snowflake escapes its fashioning hand."

When we look closely at nature, we see exactly what Thoreau talks about: the intricate artistry that only God could fashion. When we stop to notice this, and we develop this sense of wonder, we cannot possibly believe that we are in control of this world. Because this way of thinking is so crucial to my spiritual awareness, I decided to begin to develop this idea in our children. As an educator, and as a member of the clergy, I strive to instill in our children a sense of God-awareness, which can lead to a greater sense of security in this world, and a greater sense of self-esteem.

In my "Bagels and Brachas" class this year, in which I visited CJE classes on Shabbat morning, we discussed this idea of witnessing God's creative role in nature. We went outside as a class, and I showed them a twig from a tree. I asked them what they see, and they said impatiently, "a brown twig!". As we looked closer, we all realized that it was so much more than a brown twig. It had so many colors: greys and browns on the outside, and bright greens on the inside. The twig had such a varied texture as well! We realized that we could never create something this intricate. I then gave each of them a mirror, and asked them to do the same exercise with their faces: to look at every detail of their faces and notice the complexity, and the beauty. When we can find a sense of wonder in the world and its details, we can see that the entire world is God's canvas, and God is the divine artist. In order to feel God's presence in the world, it is crucial to have a sense of wonder in everyday life. Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel said, "As civilization advances, the sense of wonder declines. Such decline is an alarming symptom of our state of mind. We will not perish for want of information, but only for want of appreciation."

As we move into the summer months, and we slow down and spend more time outdoors, we have an easy opportunity to develop this way of thinking. Perhaps we can involve our children in this process as well. By teaching ourselves and our children to have God on our minds at all times, we can live our lives with grace, and not yell at people when we are stuck in traffic.

L'Shalom,

Cantor Elana Rozenfeld
ishir kids
(and kids who want to learn
how they can become
a member of iShir)
are invited to celebrate
ishir’s First Year

Come have snacks and play
Wii Glee with Rabbi B and Cantor E
Wednesday, June 13, 3:30 - 5:00 pm
at Shirat Hayam

For more information about iShir, our fantastic
kids’ choir, contact Cantor Elana at:
CantorElana@ShiratHayam.org

RSVP to CSH@ShiratHayam.org
Little Did I Know...

Back in August, 2011, when I decided to apply for the position of CEO here, I realized that CSH was not your average synagogue!! My friends asked me if this job would be “challenging” for me…LITTLE DID I KNOW!!!

As I got to know our Clergy, our Staff, our Lay Leadership and our Congregation, I realized very quickly that “anything is possible” here at CSH and “thinking outside of the box” is the daily modus operandi. This was truly the job I was meant to have!!

We are very fortunate to have so many committed and passionate people who give their time and efforts to allow us to offer services, programs and yes, that renowned “Radical Hospitality,” to all who enter our doors.

I thought it would be enlightening to outline some of the activities/process and programs that we have run, or are in the process of, focusing on, implementing or will be running…please note, these are above and beyond all the “annual” programs and services (i.e. our 2nd night Seder) that you have come to expect:

Financial: Pianos sale (funds towards Cantor/Music Programs); Budget process/accountability by owner; Dues structure/HHD ticket review

Facility: Chapel walkway/parking lot lighting; Preschool parking lot lighting; Heat-Preschool; HVAC-Sanctuary/Social Hall; School wing A/C; Recondition playrooms; Speakers- Sanctuary; Alarm system; Shul Casting upgrade …“Spiritual Friends of CSH”; Audio/visual cart; (2) iPads for CJE; spray ground-summer camp and community; Additional playground fenced in area

Revenue Generation: Marketing and renting out our social hall/facilities across the North Shore; The WAVE advertisers; Zuzzim; Solar Panel partnership; Cell tower partnership; BostonShuttle.com partnership; Synaplex-franchise/trademark; Legacy Project- franchise/trademark; Bnai Mitzvah Institute-franchise/trademark; Shabbat Olam- franchise/trademark; Life Cycle Planning; Purchasing Coalition of North Shore Jewish Organizations-Executive Directors; Preschool Summer Camp; SCRIP Program; Mishloach Manot gift program; Torah Restoration Program; Columbia Pictures parking lot rental

Programing: Concert/family Program; Safrai Gallery Art Show; Israeli Art Educational course before Art Show; Neil Chayet 35th Anniversary-Looking at the Law; Israel Bonds Program; Recycling/environmental Program; Council for Spiritual Connection w/Forum on Tolerance –6th Annual Joyful Noise; Shabbat Olam- CSH “signature” program; Magic Minyan; Future CSH Leaders Program; Volunteer Appreciation Program; Boating “family fun day”

Marketing: JewishBoston.com & Facebook PR initiative; CSH Directory; LEV HHD marketing campaign (eblasts/postcard/posters/pamphlet); Salem State partnership(s); Shabbat Song Book; The WAVE;This Week @ CSH; www.ShiratHayam.org - web-site revision; Lobby videos- Shabbat Olam, LEV, etc.;

Operations: Reorganize & restructure CJE; Radical Hospitality Task Force; Employee Handbook/Benefits Program; Employee Evaluations; Parent evaluations of Teachers; Congregational CSH Survey; Membership Privileges statement; Bnai Mitzvah Orientation Programs; In-House caterer opportunities; Committee/BOD/Group Guidelines for marketing/promoting/advertising programs; BOD/Leadership Training; "Response Plans" of our facility and congregation-security and fire drills

Future: Committee Catalog; Committee Fair; Memorial Alcove; Youth Lounge in Basement

We hope you are excited about all that is happening here at CSH and will continue to support our efforts with your mind, your body and your spirit. We as a staff commit to you that we will continue to work with our Board of Directors, committees and groups to offer high quality, diverse programs for our entire congregational demographics as well as continue to raise our level of radical hospitality every time you walk through our doors.

Remember…YACHAD...TOGETHER we can…together WE WILL!!

See you around CSH!
Bob
The New Executive Committee

As I begin my second term as chairman of the Board of Directors, I am excited to work with a talented group of lay leaders on the Executive Committee. As on all successful teams, we have a combination of experienced veterans and promising rookies…and a retiring superstar.

Like the Celtics, our roster has a Big Three of returning veterans. Tom Levenberg chairs the Building Committee and develops and oversees opportunities to improve our facility. Howie Abrams returns as chair of the Education Committee, where he is working with Jed Filler to fulfill CSH’s original vision that the Center for Jewish Education will provide top-notch educational opportunities for congregants of all ages (of which our premier Hebrew School is a component). Joe Selby continues to serve on the Executive Committee, but in a newly created capacity as chair of business development. This position reflects our emphasis on identifying and executing new business opportunities that will generate new revenue streams to underwrite our programming and to offset and, ultimately, replace dues as the mechanism to fund CSH.

Joining the Executive Committee are up-and-comers Mikaela Levine, who will chair the Programming Committee, and Julie Sagan, who is chairing the Membership Committee. Like all promising rookies who join the major league roster, Mikaela has risen through the ranks, ably chairing the Family Life Committee and serving on the Board of Directors. Likewise, Julie co-chaired last year’s successful Lev Campaign, and has served on the Board of Directors.

I am thrilled that Ellen Alexander has agreed to return after a brief hiatus from board service to chair the Budget Committee, where she will apply her years of expertise regarding synagogue finances to oversee the synagogue’s budget.

Finally, a team superstar has announced her retirement from board service. In recognition of her substantial contributions and years of service to CSH and TBE, we will be “retiring the number” of Melissa Kaplowitch, my incomparable board co-chair. Fortunately, like other retired superstars such as Larry Bird and Kevin McHale who assumed front office positions after their playing days were over, Melissa has committed to serve CSH as Chair of the Counsel of Advisors and co-chair of the Lev Campaign, along with David Rosenberg.

CSH is lucky to have such a talented and committed team of lay leaders. We look forward to hanging another championship banner in the rafters this year, as we work toward beating the Celtics’ record of nine consecutive championships.

Have a great summer!

Andy
Leslie Rooks Sack, Preschool Director
We had fun at the family barbecue!

Preschool Programs

• INFANTS ~ Our new infant program is a huge success. We accept infants from 3 months and up.

• MAGIC MOMENTS ~ a group for children 6 months to 2 years, 9 months, and their “favorite” adult. An “introduction” to Preschool.

• TODDLER MOMENTS ~ a program for toddlers 17 months and up.

• PRESCHOOL ~ classes for 3, 4 and 5 year-olds

• TRANSITIONAL CLASS ~ for those children not quite ready for Kindergarten.

Hours are 7:30 am to 6 pm - join the fun!

Shabbat with Rabbi B, Cantor Elana, Cantor Emil and Marcy Yellin

Hebrew with Rachel Jacobson
Music with Dara Vanremoortel

Daily Lunch Options, including Spanish and LOTS OF OTHER FUN ACTIVITIES!

Congregation membership is not required to be part of the Preschool; however, a reduced rate is available for Congregation members.

For more information about CSH PRESCHOOL, contact Leslie Rooks Sack, 781.598.3311, or email: Leslie@ShiratHayam.org

A heartfelt thank you to Joe Simons (dad of Hannah and Lily) for creating the 2012 yearbook with all our smiling children ~ a lasting treasure of memories of our special Preschool times together!!
Another school year is coming to an end. It is always a mixed blessing. On the one hand, everyone looks forward to a bit of a summer hafsakah (break), but within days, it feels like the rooms, hallways, and spaces in our building are missing something essential: the voices of our children!

We continued to recognize, value, and mark our time this past year in the CJE.

On a personal note, I want to thank the entire community for their support while I healed from my accident last summer. The healing continues, and all moves well, and your assistance with my family, work, and everything reminded me of the best things about serving a community – at times of need we are there to help, support, and encourage each other – Todah Rabah.

Here are some Highlights from our year:

High Holy Day programming for all our families with children led by Rebecca and Rafi Spiewak, Cheryl Schwartz, Rachel Schwartz, Marcy Yellin and myself.

We continued to spend SHABBAT together in our Limud Shabbat program. Our ground-breaking approach to contextual Jewish education encourages our children to worship in different ways and styles – including traditional, camp/spiritual, and body/yoga/tai chi. Limud Shabbat says unequivocally that Shabbat is the time for Jews to be doing Jewish things! So many education programs teach about doing things but struggle to do them authentically. Not so for our students and families! Kol Hakavod to all of our students and families for making Shabbat a part of their regular lives!

Our B’Yachad program for children with Special Needs, the first of its kind in our community, continued to be led by master teacher Rachel Schwartz. Students met an average of twice per month, and we hope to help the program grow next year.

7th graders continued to work with Jason Stark, studying the Parshat Hashavua and then becoming T’filah assistants during the Torah service, helping the Cantors, Rabbi, and Gabbaim on the bima during services, preparing for their turn to lead the congregation in worship as they become Bar or Bat Mitzvah. 7th graders met for the FIRST TIME this year during the week as well, continuing the work they began last year in the Tzedakah Club, and participated in community service programming.

The CJE continued to lead the community during our third community Purim celebration on the North Shore, bringing together the Jewish Community Center, Cohen Hillel Academy, Temple Emanu-El and Temple Sinai to celebrate one of our most enjoyable holidays of the year!

LIVE from the CJE - we began sending home links to youtube videos of our students leading the school in the Shabbat blessings and 4 questions. Subscribe to our channel at: http://www.youtube.com/user/CJECSH

Family Life Committee THRIVED under the dedicated leadership of Mikaela Levine. The committee provides programming for our CSH families with young children in a creative combination of Shabbat, Havdallah and social activities that were VERY well received. Todah Rabah to all of our volunteers for helping with these programs, and a SPECIAL Todah Rabah to Cheryl Schwartz, who worked closely with Mikaela and me to create fun and engaging Jewish activities for our kids.

Our Youth Group partnership with Temple Emanu-El has continued to grow with success: within two years our programming and attendance has tripled! We were blessed to have a full-time talented Director: Darren Benedick, and are sad that he will be moving on to other endeavors at the end of the summer.

We had our first ‘Mishpacha Madness’ family education program where we learned and tested our knowledge of Judaism - and two families won partial scholarships to the CJE for next year.

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Meet Our Teachers

Preschool
Rebecca Sontz

My name is Rebecca Sontz. I have lived in Marblehead all my life, and currently live here with my husband, Brad, and my 3 children, Sarah, Carly and Jack. I grew up attending Temple Emanu-El where I went to Hebrew School, became a Bat Mitzvah, and attended both Confirmation and Post-Confirmation Classes. It was also the Temple in which my husband and I were married. My husband and I are members of the JCC, and were prior active members in the Jewish Federation, where we were Chairs of Super Sunday for two years, as well as for Mitzvah Day.

I graduated Curry College in 1990 with a double major in Psychology and Theatre. I worked for several years in the mental health field with children with physical and mental disabilities.

I began teaching toddler children at Shirat Hayam Preschool 10 years ago, and have been blessed to be part of the Preschool family ever since.

When I am not working, I love to spend time with my family skiing, camping, hiking, traveling and watching good movies. This, coupled with watching my children have fun at all their various activities, makes me one very happy mom!

CJE
Beth Tassinari

Beth Tassinari wears many hats at CJE. She teaches Hebrew to the K/1 class, grades 6 and 7, T’zofim and also teaches in the Wednesday lab. She is quick with a smile, and is loved by all her students.

Beth is currently a matriculated student in the Master of Jewish Education program at Hebrew College. She lives with her husband, Paul, and her two children, Josh and Katie, in Marblehead. Beth also works as a teacher at Cohen Hillel Academy. Interestingly enough, she went to Cohen Hillel Academy as a child, and her children (Joshua is 14 and Katie is 9) are also attending day school there. She has been a part-time Hebrew school teacher for many years, even while also working outside the education field.

Beth comes from a family full of Judaism and “Yiddishkeit”. Her grandfather, Cantor Bargad, was a cantor in Chelsea over 40 years ago and her Uncle Warren was the dean of Judaic Studies at the University of Florida in Gainesville. Her mother, Lois, may she rest in peace, was a high school teacher. These three have had a profound influence on her, and Beth grew up with a passion for learning and teaching. It is this passion which brought her out from the world of business to become a full-time teacher. Beth also brings this passion into the classroom where she helps to keep the culture and traditions of Judaism alive.

Beth has enjoyed being part of such an exciting, growing synagogue and Hebrew school, and has the pleasure of teaching Hebrew to most of the students currently enrolled in the school.
Introducing SY@

SY@ is SMARTY YAiSH's summer programming. For the first time ever, we will be maintaining our solid youth programming through the summer. This will take the form of taking Lounge "on the road" and running some of our biggest events, such as a trip to see the Boston Red Sox and a kayaking/canoeing adventure.

The SY@ summer program calendar will be sent round via the SMARTY YAiSH e-blast, so please look out for it!

Your teens can find out about all of our activities by adding Smarty Yaish as a friend on Facebook.

Cheers!!
Darren Benedick
SMARTY YAiSH Youth Director
smartyyaish@gmail.com
Marla Gay, Director
Ma Nishmah? What’s Happening?

High Holy Days. Can you believe it? We are in full swing in preparation for the High Holy Days. It’s amazing that Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are only three days, yet we spend five months preparing for them. We are always looking to improve and accommodate in the best way possible.

I’m asking you to help us out. Please make your ticket arrangements early. We would like to assign aliyot in advance this year, but we can only give one to you if you’ve made your ticket reservation. There aren’t that many to assign, so your turn may not happen this year. Please be happy for those who do have a turn.

Another way you can help is by letting us know what you need in advance. For example, will you need a hearing device for the service? Will your children need babysitting? If you can let us know when you place your ticket order, we can prepare appropriately.

Stop and Shop. Yes, it’s a lovely place. However, complaining to your friends, while searching for the perfect melon, doesn’t solve problems. If you have an issue or concern, please call us. We’ll do our best. We’re here to make your experience the best possible at Shirat Hayam. If we don’t know something is broken, we can’t fix it.

Last, but not least, enjoy your summer. Know that we’re taking care of the details and all you need to do is show up with your tickets in hand. As always, we’re a work in progress and we do this for you!

Thanks for partnering with us to make Shirat Hayam the amazing place it is.

L’hitraot,

Marla

PS - There’s a copy of the HHD ticket request form on page 25... just in case you misplaced your copy.
Barri Stein, Director

Boy, has this been a busy year! As we closed out the “year” with our annual meeting and start wrapping up our B’ni Mitzvah season, we reflect on all the lifecycle events and celebrations we’ve had here at Shirat Hayam. Out of the 52 Shabbats a year, at least 27 of them had some kind, if not several simchahs and/or sponsorships which further reiterated the success of Shabbat Synaplex. We had multiple celebrations and events at the same time in which the community came together to celebrate.

By the end of June, we will have celebrated 21 B’ni Mitzvah this year, either during the Shabbat morning or in the evening. That doesn’t include the amazing Adult B’not Mitzvah when 12 women completed a year-and-a-half of study with Cantor Emil and all became B’not Mitzvah during a joyous morning of celebration with over 500 people in attendance. Our multiple simcha/sponsorships during Shabbat throughout the year consisted of 3 namings, 3 conversions, 7 anniversary celebrations, 4 B’ni Mitzvah anniversaries, many Birthday sponsorships, 5 sponsorships in honor of the birth of grandchildren, 4 Auf Ruf’s and 3 Yahrzeit sponsorships. We served A LOT of cake!! In addition to our Shabbat celebrations, we held 6 wonderful weddings and 2 additional private naming ceremonies. Our building was hopping and never looked more beautiful! Holiday celebrations for Center for Jewish Education on Shabbat were major successes, even with our shortness of space. We completed our lifecycle of events with quite a number of funerals held here.

Aside from Shabbat events, our staff has become quite adept at organizing many Jewish celebratory events and delicious meals. Our annual Break-the-Fast, Simchat Torah, and Purim celebrations (including our participation at the community Purim Carnival) were extremely well attended. Our Farm Day BBQ kicked off the school year (and Jewish New Year) with a bang. Preschool this year held 2 new events, its first midyear (January) open house and dinner for everyone to get to know each other and, recently, a spring BBQ get-together for parents and kids. Both Preschool events were very well attended and gave parents of classmates a place to shmooze while their kids were kept entertained. Who knew toddlers love step dancing??! Rabbi and Ariela also got an amazing turnout for a Yoga Havdallah event and coming up again, our annual Anniversary Shabbat is a joyous occasion for all to recognize their milestone year.

Back in September, we opened our doors to a Tufts Hillel Overnight and we’ll soon again host the JF&CS Community Heroes Event this month. This is all in addition to our highly successful Shabbat Olam programs, multiple Movies and Midrash with Rabbi B and Music & More with Cantor Elana. The programs we run here are too numerous to mention.

Thank you for choosing to celebrate with us and making us the center of your lifecycle event. We are grateful for your attendance and the wonderfully generous donations that we receive each year to make our services, Kiddushim and other programs a success. We continue to improve upon our offerings and our facility, and we hope our members and community will look to us to hold their events here.

See you soon,

Barri
Welcome to Shirat Hayam Family Life!
Chair: Mikaela Levine

Family Life had a great end-of-year celebration at Phillips Beach - complete with bonfire and s’mores! Help us plan our events for the coming year! If you, or you and a friend, are interested in helping plan, would be willing to chair one event, or would like more information, please let me know. I can be reached at familylife@shirathayam.org or you can call me at 617-875-9098.

Thank you!
Mikaela Levine
To Joe Henson -

On behalf of all of Brotherhood, I thank you for spearheading the Shirat Hayam Brotherhood over the past years. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. You have laid the groundwork to move our Brotherhood to the next level.

We know you won’t be a stranger to CSH Brotherhood and we look forward to your continued participation and wish you much success.

Sincerely,

Joe Simons
Shabbat Experience @ CSH

**Babysitting**

*Ages up to 4*

*Downstairs Playroom*

An adult must remain in the building.

*8:30 - 11:50 am, weekly*

*Babysitting is provided at no charge so parents may attend services.*

**Summer Synaplex Schedule**

*Full Synaplex in June.*

*Renewal and Traditional service only in July and August 4th.*

*Full Synaplex will resume on August 11th.*

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**Traditional and Alternative Service Schedule**

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**For Everyone - Main Sanctuary**

11:45 am - noon

**Ruach Rally**

Concluding prayers and Kiddush/Motzi

**Community Shabbat Café at noon**

Attire is casual.

*We practice radical hospitality.*
Early Mystic Minyan - 8:30 am

As it says in the Mishnah, the early mystics would gather together and sit for an hour before even attempting to formally engage in prayer. So too at CSH we offer the Early Mystic Minyan as an option for practitioners of meditation to come and sit as we begin to open up the space of our Chapel on Shabbat and of our hearts in the early quiet hours before the crowds arrive. There will be minimal, if any, instruction for the first fifteen minutes. It is a time to gather one’s self and one’s thoughts together through individual prayer without words.

Renewal Minyan - 8:45 - 9:50 am

The Renewal Minyan is an attempted synthesis of keva – the traditional structure of tefillah (Jewish prayers) with kavanah – spiritual depth within the prayer itself. During the Renewal Minyan we are committed to traversing the Shabbat morning tefillot structure (Birkot HaShachar, P’sukei D’Zimrah, Shachrit), but not necessarily davening (praying) each and every prayer along the way. Our aim, again, is to strike a balance between breadth and depth, and within a one hour period that is a fine balance, to be sure.

Yoga Minyan - 10:00 am

A full-body Shabbat experience. Yoga Minyan incorporates yoga practice with a Shabbat theme.

Nosh and Drash - 10:00 am

Grab a cup of coffee and nosh at the Boker Tov Café, and join the guest rabbi or scholar for a Torah-based Shabbat learning experience.

Tzofim - on Limud Shabbat days - for CHA students:

Designed as an Israel-based learning and experiential program, Tzofim meets on Shabbat from 10:00 am to noon. Students will participate in a variety of activities and subject areas, including Ulpan (spoken Hebrew), Israeli culture, Tefillah (prayer), and modern Israeli music and art.

Nosh and Drash

Pick up your “nosh” at the Boker Tov Café and enjoy a Torah study session in the social hall with the following guest scholars for June:

2 - Rabbi Howard Kosovske; 9 - Dr. Harvey Zarren; 16 - Rabbi Ken Weiss

Nosh and Drash will resume in August.

Service Schedule

Daily Minyan

- Monday - Friday mornings: 7:30 am;
- Monday - Thursday evenings: 7:00 pm;
- Sundays: 9:00 am and 6:00 pm

Shabbat

- Friday evenings: 6:00 pm; Saturday mornings begin at 8:30 am (see Synaplex schedule)
- Saturday evenings: 6:00 pm

Candle Lighting

June

1..............7:56
8..............8:01
15............8:05
22............8:07
29............8:07

July

6.............8:05
13...........8:02
20...........7:57
27...........7:51
SUMMERTHING CAMP PLUS
at Shirat Hayam Preschool
Not just for preschoolers anymore!
Join us this summer for some fun and original programs.
It’s going to be the BEST summer ever at CSH!!!
Programs for children ages 4 to 7 years

June 25-29
American Girl Doll Week

July 2-6 (no camp on the 4th)
Duct Tape Crafts & Model Building

July 9-13
Baby Doll Week for Boys & Girls
We will take good care of our “babies.”

July 16-20
Musical Camp
Learn about different types of music like jazz, rock, classical... make instruments, play piano, hear a variety of instruments played live!

Create a Camp!
You find a group of children (any age with a similar interest), you tell us the week, the topic and the hours you need. We will create a fun and busy week for a great price!
Any week... any hours!!

July 23-27
Papier Maché Crafts

July 30-August 3
Drama camp or Puppet Playhouse
Ending with a show

August 6-10
Fantasy and Fairies
Building fairy houses in nature

Camp Hours:
9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Extended Hours:
Sign up for extended hours prior: from 7:30 am, or after: until 6:00 pm

For more information or to register for SUMMERTHING CAMP PLUS at Shirat Hayam Preschool contact Leslie Rooks Sack Leslie@ShiratHayam.org or call 781.598.3311

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SUMMERTHING @ SHIRAT HAYAM PRESCHOOL

Sports - Baseball, Soccer &
Yoga • Music • Dance
Arts & Crafts

Kids love our kiddie pools and sprinkler fun!

Camp Hours:
9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Extended Hours:
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Condolences to

Michael and Julie Callum on the loss of Michael’s father, Richard Callum
Paul Michaels and Joanna Duby on the loss of Paul’s mother, Marianna Michaels
Amy and Bob Powell on the loss of Amy’s aunt, Beverly Sessler
Roberta Kline on the loss of her brother and Rafe and Amy Hershfield on the loss of Rafe’s grandfather, Alan Razin
Gila and Al Namias on the loss of Gila’s mother, Rhoda Rosenfield

Well Wishes & Donations

In memory of Michael Callum’s father
In memory of Paul Michael’s mother
by Helyne and Stephen Hamelburg
In memory of Richard Callum by David and Susan Kauder
SALE OF CHAMETZ
by Ed and Diana Caplan
CANTOR ELANA’S DISCRETIONARY FUND
With gratitude to Cantor Elana by Stephanie and Andrew Katz
CANTOR EMIL’S DISCRETIONARY FUND
In memory of Ann Segal’s sister, Sarah Victory by Michele and David Tamaren
To Cantor Emil with love by Madi Katz
In honor of my daughter, Devorah Feinbloom Rosenberg, and her sisters on their B’nai Mitzvah by Phyllis Boris
In honor of Cantor Elana and her husband on their new home by Sid and Barbara Abramson
Get well wishes to Bob Myerson by Natalie White
In memory of Richard Callum by Madeline Stark and Family
In honor of receiving aliya in honor of the birth of Ellen and Dick Alexander’s grandson, Oren by Natalie White
CANTOR EMIL’S DISCRETIONARY FUND
In memory of Milton “Mickey” Solomon by the Leidner and Heller families

In memory of Jill Garfinkle’s father, Henry Deutsch by Karen and David Rosenberg
In celebration of Jocelyn Cusshinsky’s Bat Mitzvah
In celebration of Rachel Levine’s Bat Mitzvah by Beverly A. Kahn
In memory of Gerald Gouchberg by Debbie and Lenny Leibowitz
In memory of Richard Callum by Brenda and Shelly Cohen

In memory of:
Grandfather, Irving Rosenkranz by Gregory Leidner
Mother, Selma Siskind by Beverly A. Kahn
CENTER FOR JEWISH EDUCATION FUND
In honor of Jed Filler with gratitude by the Katz family
A donation has been made by Cindy and Steven Bailen

GENERAL FUND
In honor of Gloria Sax becoming a Bat Mitzvah by Annette Callum; Arlene and David Addis
In memory of Milton “Mickey” Solomon by Elaine, Herb and Eric Siegel; Ed and Jodi Borash; Michael and Cheryl Lunder; Hope, Larry and Josh Zabar
In memory of Melvin Mizner’s brother, Sidney Mizner by Ruth Cohn; Mike Rosen and Barbara Kane; Arlene and David Addis

Donations

RABBI’S DISCRETIONARY FUND
With gratitude to Rabbi B for making the Passover Seder such a success
by Beatrice and Sidney Strome
With gratitude to Rabbi B for all his support during a difficult time
by Susan Weiner
In honor of Rabbi B for being so amazing
by Stephanie and Andrew Katz
In honor of the engagement of our grandson, Tom Salter, to Tess Sloan
In memory of sister, Elizabeth “Betty” Handis by Bernie and Evelyn Handis
In honor of Lois and Bobby Kaplan’s granddaughter becoming a Bat Mitzvah
by Ethel and Steve Harris
In memory of Sumner Willens by Penny and Phillip Schuler
In honor of the birth of Harrison Cohen Shribman by Ruth Lunder

In memory of Michael’s father
by Helyne and Stephen Hamelburg

In memory of Richard Callum by David and Susan Kauder

In memory of Paul’s mother
by Helyne and Stephen Hamelburg

In memory of the birth of Ellen and Dick Alexander’s grandson, Oren by Natalie White
In honor of Sylvia Revman  
by Madi Katz

In memory of Leo Sevinor  
by Hope, Larry and Josh Zabar

In honor of Aimee Bunin  
by Steve Branson

To Alice Shactman in memory of  
Jacob Leamon  
by Selma Sherr

In memory of Pauline Orloff  
by Lillian Wacks

In honor of our granddaughter,  
Madison Rose Cook, becoming a  
Bat Mitzvah  
by Bobby and Lois Kaplan

In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of  
Madi Katz  
by Hope and Larry Zabar

To the Patkin Family in memory  
of their beloved father and  
grandfather  
by Marla, Philip, Allison and  
Rebecca Gay

In memory of Jill Garfinkle’s dad,  
Henry Deutsch
In memory of Robert Gurman’s  
mother, Eva Gurman  
by Larry and Lori Groipen

In memory of Mickey Solomon  
by Ruth Turkanis

In memory of Jerry Gouchberg  
In memory of Al Levy’s beloved  
wife, Maxine Levy  
by Gerald and Stacey Gordon

In honor of my granddaughter  
receiving her M.B.A. degree in  
business and In honor of her  
forthcoming marriage  
by Selma Sherr

A donation has been made by  
Janice Levine

In memory of:  

SAMUEL BRODY MINYAN FUND
With gratitude for Herb  
Goldberg’s great kindness to the  
B’n’ot Mitzvah sisters  
by Michele Tamaren

In memory of sister, Elizabeth  
“Betty” Handis  
by Evelyn and Bernie Handis

In honor of Madison Katz  
becoming a Bat Mitzvah  
by Sid and Barbara Abramson

In honor of Roz and Sandy Levy’s  
new grandson  
by Sylvia and Norman Revman

In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of  
Sylvia and Norman Revman’s  
great-granddaughter, Madison  
Katz  
Get well wishes to Rose  
Rosenthal  
by Eli and Muriel Talkov

In memory of:  

Brother, Melvin Wintman  
Mother, Annie Wintman  
by Bernice Rothbard

Grandmother, Rebecca  
Lieberman  
by Enid Gold

Grandfather, Philip Lewis  
by Constance Lewis

Mother, Dora Lipsky  
by Sidney Lipsky

Daughter, Debbie Schapiro  
by Pablo Schapiro

Brother-in-law, Sam Greenbaum  
by Golda Greenbaum

Mother and father, Blanche and  
Gregory Gilbert  
by Alan Gilbert

Father, George Rosenbaum  
by Michael Rosenbaum

Uncle, Morris Goldman  
by Roger Lipson

Father, Jack Abrams  
by Sandra Lerner

Mother, Phyllis Zeff  
by Barry Zeff

Father, H. Henry Stark  
by Madeline Stark

Mother, Mary Fuchs  
by Roberta Soltz

Mother, Anne Soltz  
by Robert Soltz

Mother, Dorothy Cohen  
by Joann Tenenbaum

Husband, I. Donald Rosenthal  
by Joyce Rosenthal

Aunt, Molly Levine  
Uncle, Frank Levine

Aunt, Mary Price  
Father, Sidney Price  
by Maxine Sugarman

Aunt, Mary Stern  
by Doris Hirsch

Brother, Irving Poster  
by Cynthia and Lenny Poster

Husband, Bernard Kline  
by Roberta Kline

Sister, Mary Grab  
by Golda Greenbaum

Aunt, Sarah Fagan  
by Evelyn Handis

Mother, Rose Finderman  
by Sylvia Revman

Brother, Bernard Kaplan  
by Norma Brooks

Father, Saul Ablow  
by Herbert Ablow

Mother, Minna Grossman  
by Carol Ablow

Mother, Bessie Babbitt  
by Frank Babbitt

Father, Hyman Epstein  
by Arthur Epstein

Husband, Gerald Perlow  
by Carolyn Perlow

The Wave
Mother, Esther Bloom  
by Edith Spector

Grandfather, Phillip Brodsky  
by Robert Cooper

Father, Lewis Mendelsohn  
by Alvah Parker

Mother, Sara Liebman  
by Lois Kaplan

Granddaughter, Charlie Webber  
by Harold and Janice Cohen

Father, Samuel Ross  
by Libby Ellin

Wife, Sheila Costello  
by Robert Costello

Grandfather, Henry Price  
by Marjorie Bean

Father, Michael Sidell  
by Ruth Goldenberg

Mother, Selma Helsel  
by Eileen Swartz

Mother, Flora Freedman  
by Sherman and Norma Freedman

Sister, Beatrice Rosemark  
by Albert Stein

Sister, Elaine Williams  
Mother, Marilyn Williams  
Father, Leo Williams  
by Stephen Williams

Mother, Ida Epstein  
by Sidney Epstein

**SHABBAT CAFÉ FUND**

In honor of the wedding of Sidney and Beatrice Strome’s granddaughter
Wishes for a speedy recovery for Larry Feffer  
by Roz and Sandy Levy; Natalie White

In honor of Julie and Scott Sagan’s son, Mason, becoming a Bar Mitzvah  
by Carolyn Perlow

In honor of Phyllis Sagan’s grandson, Mason, becoming a Bar Mitzvah  
by Carolyn Perlow

In honor of the engagement of Barri Stein and Wayne Goldberg  
by Arthur and Cheryl Schwartz; Carolyn Perlow; Lois and Bobby Kaplan; Gail and Jerry Gerson; Ilana, Greg, Max and Arielle Mogolseko; Alice and Charles Leidner

In honor of Sylvia and Norman Revman’s great-granddaughter, Madi Katz, becoming a Bat Mitzvah  
by Natalie White; Roz and Sandy Levy

In memory of Jack Leamon  
by Jeanne and Sid Harris

In honor of the birth of Edna and Don Kaplan’s grandson, Owen Henry  
by Charles and Alice Leidner

In memory of Stanley Patkin  
by David and Marilyn Levy

In honor of the engagement of Leslie and Bob Ogan’s son, Michael, to Emily Trieff  
In honor of the Krentzman family Bar Mitzvah  
by Alice and Charles Leidner

In honor of Sylvia and Norman Revman’s great-granddaughter, Madison Katz, becoming a Bat Mitzvah  
In honor of the marriage of Bea and Sidney Strome’s granddaughter  
In honor of the engagement of Barri Stein and Wayne Goldberg  
by Rhonda and David Preman

In honor of the engagement of Leslie and Bob Ogan’s son, Michael, to Emily Trieff  
by Nancy and Richard Klayman

In honor of the celebration of Bob and Lily Krentzman’s son, Brian, becoming a Bar Mitzvah

In honor of the engagement of Barri Stein and Wayne Goldberg  
by Ed and Diana Caplan

In memory of Hallie Goldstein
To the speedy recovery of Mrs. Judith Spielman  
by Sam and Carol Denbo

In memory of Richard Callum  
by Alice and Charles Leidner

Thank you for your efforts on our behalf. It is greatly appreciated by Larry and Marsha Feffer

In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Sylvia Revman’s great-granddaughter  
In honor of Bea and Sid Strome’s granddaughter’s wedding  
by Arlene and Herb Leventhal

In memory of Richard Callum  
by Natalie White

Mazel tov to Lili and Bob Krentzman on Brian’s Bar Mitzvah celebration
Mazel tov to Barri Stein and Wayne Goldberg on their engagement  
by Ed and Diana Caplan

In honor of Leonard Lieberson’s 85th birthday  
by Lois and Jerry Ogan

**In memory of:**

Mother, Mollie Gerson  
by Gerald Gerson

Father, Joseph Valle  
by Susan Goldberg

Sister, Esther Lohr  
by Paul Weisman
Sister, Minnie Frisch  
by Eleanor Grad

Mother, Sarah Shapiro  
by Carol Denbo

Mother, Sheila Kaplowitch  
by Scott and Melissa Kaplowitch

Brother-in-law, Edward Segal  
by Ann Segal

Father, Bernard Kline  
by Alan Kline

Mother, Bertha Levy  
by Sanford Levy

Mother, Helen Danberg  
by Sheila Taymore

Mother, Bessie Marder  
by Robert Marder

Father, Eli Dillon  
by Nonnie Rubin

Mother, Bessie Babbitt  
by Abraham Babbitt

Father-in-law, Henry Price  
by Sally Price

Aunt, Rose Goldstein  
by Myra Gulko

Mother, Janet Asher  
by Laurie Meagher

Husband, Benjamin Garfield  
by Joan Garfield

Grandfather, George Fisher  
by Deborah Birnbach

Father, Nathan Sorkin  
by Richard Sorkin

Father-in-law, Max Grossman  
by Anne Grossman

Mother, Bess Rudolph  
by Louis Rudolph

Mother, Ida Pekin  
Aunt, Rose Pekin  
Uncle, Eli Lehman  
by Joan Rich

Mother, Ann Bekritsky  
by Linda Siegel

Sister, Elaine Williams  
Mother, Marilyn Williams  
Father, Leo Williams  
by Stephen Williams

TORAH FUND
In memory of:

Sister, Judith Keisman  
by Frances Goldfield

Brother-in-law, Howard Freedman  
by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Garfinkel and family

Father, Louis Berman  
by Leeta Sinrich

Father, Wolf Gam  
by Frances Gam

HENRY MERKEN TALLIT MEMORIAL FUND
In honor of my new grandson,  
Tuvia Rudy Merken  
by Elaine Merken

In memory of:

Husband, Henry Merken  
by Elaine Merken

TREE PLANTED IN ISRAEL
In memory of Stuart Lempert and  
in memory of Randy Lempert  
by Alisa Alvarez and David Ostrovitz

In honor of the marriage of Sheri Lapatin and Alex Markle  
by Leslie and Harold Freedman

In honor of Lily and Bob Krentzman’s son, Brian,  
becoming a Bar Mitzvah  
by Leslie, Bob, Rachel and Michael Ogan

TIKVAH FUND
In honor of Norman and Sylvia Revman’s great-granddaughter  
becoming a Bat Mitzvah  
Get well wishes to Stanley Rich

Get well wishes to Robert Myerson  
by Sidney and Beatrice Strome

BURT SHEPARD SCHOLARSHIP FUND
In honor of Norman and Sylvia Revman’s great-granddaughter  
becoming a Bat Mitzvah  
In honor of the wedding of Sidney and Beatrice Strome’s granddaughter

To Michael and Jennifer Levine in  
honor of Rachel’s Bat Mitzvah  
In memory of Richard Callum  
In honor of the birth of Ellen and Dick Alexander’s grandson  
In honor of Phyllis Sagan for being named a Community Hero  
by Burt and Becky Shepard

In honor of the recovery of Burt Shepard  
by Ethel and Steve Harris

Wishing Burt Shepard continual good health  
by Cynthia and Lenny Poster

In honor of Herb Goldberg for his support of the Brotherhood  
by Joe and Lee Henson

In memory of:

Father, Samuel Rood  
by Shea Rood

HOWARD STEVEN FEFFER SCHOLARSHIP FUND
In memory of:

Mother, Edith Feffer  
Brother, Howard Feffer  
by Judith Feffer

MILTON AND ESTELLE FEINSTEIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND
With gratitude for Burt Shepard’s recovery  
In memory of father and grandfather, Milton Feinstein  
by Sandra Feinstein Yackolow and Barry and Susan Yackolow
LEV INITIATIVE

by Diane Levin
by Carolyn Perlow
by Robert Freedman
by Lois Miller and Irving Weisman
by Michelle Myerson
by Barbara Goldberg
by Don and Lois Hurwitz
by Laurie and Avram Hammer
by Joel Cohen
by Marilyn and Seymour Stoll

In honor of our granddaughter’s marriage and Sidney’s recovery
by Bea and Sidney Strome

In honor of Rabbi B
by Richard and Gail Gelb and family

In honor of Marla and Philip and Rabbi B and friends for all their help
by Ann and Richard Landau

In honor of Elaine Merken becoming a Bat Mitzvah
by Sylvia Coltin

LEV TECHNOLOGY

by Diane Levin

CENTER FOR JEWISH EDUCATION

by Christopher Hockert

In memory of:
Father, Bernard Stoller
by Natalie White

CSH Board Chair, Andy Caplan, presented outgoing Co-Chair, Melissa Kaplowitch, with gifts of appreciation at the Shirat Hayam Seventh Annual Meeting on May 23rd.

Holidays & Observances

5772
Tisha B’Av July 28

5773
Rosh Hashanah September 17 & 18
Yom Kippur September 26
Sukkot October 1
High Holy Day Ticket Request 2012

Rosh Hashanah begins on Sunday evening, September 16. Erev Yom Kippur is Tuesday, September 25.

- Payment for tickets must be made with your reservation. Tickets will be reserved when all balances are paid in full or prior arrangements have been made with the Bookkeeper.
- All requests must be made in writing. Verbal requests cannot be honored. All members requesting tickets must return the form below.
- You must purchase a ticket if you are planning to attend any of our main High Holy Day services. Afternoon family service on Rosh Hashanah afternoon and Renewal and evening service on Yom Kippur DAY (9/26), do not require tickets.
- Tickets will be sold to Shirat Hayam members first, then out of area guests, and finally family members living in the community who are not members of CSH.
- If your child plans to attend services in the main sanctuary, it will be necessary to purchase a ticket for him/her. Babysitting and services will be available for children up to age 14.
- Reciprocal tickets must be ordered by August 13.
- High Holy Day honors will be assigned to members in good standing with a ticket reservation only.

Please return the ticket request form below in the enclosed Shirat Hayam envelope.

Name_____________________________________________________________________________
Address_____________________________________________Phone________________________
Email address______________________________________________________________________

_________ Center @ $325.00 each =   $_______________
_________ Second Tier, including stage @ $225.00 each =  $_______________
_________ Third Tier (limited number of tickets will be sold at this price) @ $150.00 each =  $_______________

___I have a handicap parking permit and will require an aisle seat.
On the back of this form, please list the names and relationship for those who you are requesting tickets for.

Payment information:
___ Check enclosed for $_________          ___ Please charge my credit card  $_________
Name on card _______________________________  __MC __VISA __AX __Discover
Credit card # _______________________________  Exp. Date __________

For office use only:   Date received _______/_______
Section: IC_____ ST_____ TT_____
Music, Yiddish and More

with Cantor Elana

Wednesday, June 13

at 11:30 am

RSVP for lunch - 781.599.8005 or

CSH@ShiratHayam.org

Spirited Sisters: Circle at the Sea

Come celebrate the joy of Judaism, and the soul connection and support of our sister seekers. Together we will share in spiritual conversation and exploration. We will sing, dance, study, observe, play and share from the heart as we touch into mystical, magical, meaningful women’s experiences and deep gifts of our foremothers.

The Circle meets monthly and will be led by those of us who wish to share our gifts, talents and interests in this co-created gathering. You are invited to attend one or all. All women are welcome and no Hebrew is necessary.

On the following Sunday evenings - 7:00 to 9:00 pm at CSH: 2012 - June 17, September 9, October 14, November 4 and December 2. 2013 - January 6, February 3, March 3, April 7, May 5 and June 2

For more information, please contact: Mimi at: healthenergy@verizon.net or 781-631-0318.

Visit our website!! www.spiritedsisters.org

On May 8, the Council of Sages enjoyed lunch and a presentation on Healthcare Changes and Their Effects by David King (left), Director of Communications and Public Affairs for NSMC and Lindsay Gainer, RN, MSN (right), Director of Clinical Services and Innovation, pictured with Dr. Howard Abrams, CSH Education Chair (center).
Extra Chapters: Jewish Book Month Event

ExtraOrdinary

Come hear Michele Tamaren and Mike Wittner speak about their inspiring book, "ExtraOrdinary: An End of Life Story Without End." It's the latest in the J's popular author series!

Tuesday, June 12
7:30pm
JCC in Marblehead

Save your spot at 781-631-8330.

$10 per person

Sponsored by JCC of the North Shore,
Temple Sinai, Congregation Shirat Hayam.

4 Community Road, Marblehead, JCCNS.ORG
Kvelling... Family Announcements

Bernard and Evelyn Handis’s grandson, Tom Salter, is engaged to Tess Sloan
Ellen and Richard Alexander have a new grandson, Oren Henoch Alexander
Joe Simons has passed the Massachusetts Bar Exam
Rachel Levine, daughter of Jennifer and Michael Levine, became a bat mitzvah
Jocelyn Cushinsky, daughter of Elizabeth and Steven Cushinsky, became a bat mitzvah
Alec Klusza, son of Julie Klusza, became a bar mitzvah
Alexis Sher, daughter of Michele and Richard Sher, became a bat mitzvah
Mason Sagan, son of Julie and Scott Sagan and grandson of Phyllis Sagan, became a bar mitzvah
Leslie and Bob Ogan were honored by State of Israel Bonds
Jerry Zackin and Sandra Chapman were recently married
Boris Richman is celebrating a special birthday
Sarah Namias, daughter of Gila and Al Namias, married Agaton Strom

Send us your simchas! With our new format, we can publish your pictures.
New baby, new home, engagement, marriage, anniversary, special birthday, new dog, cat, fish.... you get the idea! Share your joy with your CSH family... let’s kvell together!

Send your information (photo optional) to: Marla@ShiratHayam.org.
**Shabbat Café Sponsors**

*Thank you to the following for co-sponsoring Shabbat Café in May:*

- Jennifer and Michael Levine in honor of their daughter, Rachel, becoming a bat mitzvah
- Elizabeth and Steven Cushinsky in honor of their daughter, Jocelyn, becoming a bat mitzvah
- Renee Dineen in honor of her grandson, Alec Klusza, becoming a bar mitzvah
- Michele and Richard Sher in honor of their daughter, Alexis, becoming a bat mitzvah
- Julie and Scott Sagan in honor of their son, Mason, becoming a bar mitzvah

The Congregation Shirat Hayam Shabbat Café Fund helps support our Shabbat luncheons, and is a meaningful and thoughtful way to celebrate a simcha or honor, remember a loved one, or commemorate a yahrzeit. For information about sponsoring or co-sponsoring a Shabbat Café, please contact Barri Stein at: Barri@ShiratHayam.org or 781.599.8005, Ext. 11.

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**Todah Rabah**

*Thank you to the following for participating in services in May:*

- Torah Readers: Rachel Levine, Jocelyn Cushinsky, Murray Goodman, Deanna Cooper, Julie Klusza, Alec Klusza, Alexis Sher, Mason Sagan, Diane Levin, Gloria Sax, Natalie White, Lili Berkovits
- Haftarah Chanters: Rachel Levine, Alec Klusza, Alexis Sher, Nancy Miller, Cantor Elana

If you would like to read Torah or chant a Haftarah, contact Cantor Emil: Cantor@ShiratHayam.org.

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**CSH Minyanaires**

*Thank you to the following members for supporting daily services in May:*


*denotes service leaders

We are very fortunate to have the above minyanaires attend when they can. However, please know that making a minyan twice a day is a challenge.

Please consider helping to make a minyan - once a week, once a month or whenever you can. Those needing a minyan to say kaddish would greatly appreciate it.
Chesed Committee

Karynn Needel and Beth Hoffman, Co-chairs

The Chesed Committee has been very busy lending a hand by providing meals, rides, visits and general emotional support to the congregation, as needed. The committee’s mission is to help congregants and their families in times of crisis. They are the first responders, there to do triage until other “sources” are notified and become available.

If you want to become a part of this GREAT committee, please let us know. There is a little something for everyone to do within the Chesed Committee!

Please contact us if you know of someone in need. We can only help those that we know about.

Thank you!

Karynn and Beth

Contact Karynn Needel at: kneedel@comcast.net or Beth Hoffman at: bkh59@hotmail.com.

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Contact Marla Gay at: 781.599.8005 or Marla@ShiratHayam.org

Isha L’Isha Women’s Rosh Hodesh Group

Join Cantor Elana Rozenfeld on June 26 at 7:30 pm as we explore Abraham Joshua Heschel’s “The Sabbath.” We will discuss enriching the home Shabbat experience by connecting your own personal spirituality to Judaism.

This program is open to all women who share the desire to enrich their spiritual lives through study from a woman’s point of view.

For more information, please contact Barbara Sidman at: barbarasidman@comcast.net.
The CSH Book Club - Get your summer reading ready!

7:30 pm on the following Monday evenings:

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The CSH Book Club is open to the community - please join us.

For more information, email Becky Shepard at: shepardb@aol.com.
Brotherhood News

Tour de Shuls is just around the corner! Registration for riders and volunteers is now open! Take advantage of early-bird registration before June 17th!

Come ride with us on Sunday, June 24

Explore the beautiful communities of Swampscott, Marblehead, Salem, Gloucester, and many more!

On Sunday, June 24th, you can enjoy your choice of 10, 25, 50 or 75 mile bicycling routes, each designed to take you to a variety of area synagogues, starting and ending at Congregation Shirat Hayam.

The Tour de Shuls is the New England Region of the Federation of Jewish Men’s Clubs’ fundraiser for the Tikvah program at Camp Ramah New England. The Tikvah program, in existence since 1970, is a program run by Camp Ramah in Palmer, MA. The program provides a Jewish overnight camp experience designed to meet the social and religious needs of developmentally challenged Jewish adolescents and young adults.

This year will feature the first ever Tour de Shuls kids ride and post ride party/barbecue featuring music by Shirat Hayam’s own Ruach Rally band and other guest bands. Watch your weekly emails for times and updates as we get closer to the event.

Read more about the Tikvah program at: http://www.campramah.org/content/specialneeds.php

For more information or to register, go to http://www.tourdeshuls.org/MassRide

For any questions, please contact Ben Yellin at byellin1@verizon.net

If you would like to help with registration, contact Joe Simons at jbsimons@suffolk.edu

Meet the 6th Congressional District Candidates at Congregation Shirat Hayam

CSH Brotherhood invites you to enjoy breakfast and listen to the candidates' visions for the 113th Session of Congress. The candidates will each give a brief presentation and answer questions from the audience. (Republican Richard Tisei made his presentation on May 20.)

Sunday, June 10, at 10:00 am - meet with incumbent and Democratic candidate John Tierney.

$10 for breakfast. For more information and to RSVP, call 781.599.8005 or Email: CSH@ShiratHayam.org
The Scholarship and Awards Brunch was held on Sunday, May 6

The Rabbi Edgar and Yvonne Weinsberg Tikkun Olam Award was presented by Award Chairs, Dena Bailey and Helaine Hazlett:

Dena Bailey and Rosie Berman

Helaine Hazlett and Julianne Zeff

Hannah Solomon (right) with Burt Shepard (left) and Brotherhood President Joe Henson

The following six students are the recipients of the Burt Shepard Brotherhood Scholarships:

Rosie Berman
Levites Scholarship

Ellyn Needel
Howard Feffer Memorial Scholarship

Haley Cashman

Josh Drooks

Stephanie Strager
Anne and Morris Blake Memorial Scholarship

Zachary Kovner

Douglas Levine

Julianne Zeff
Rabbi B (cont. from page 2)

Obligation is important, but it is only a part of walking the spiritual path, and is certainly not enough to encourage a commitment to Judaism. The incessant pressure to support dying Jewish institutions, to stay Jewish, marry Jewish, and raise Jewish children without discussing or embodying the beauty and spirit embedded within Jewish practice significantly contributed to the increasingly empty pews.

Restoring Hope Through Restoring Ruakh

The most effective, motivating and Jewish response is to move forward through painting a picture of possibility, inspiration and hope. For two thousand years we were the people who were exiled from our homeland but sustained the vision of our return. Hatikvah, The Hope, is not just modern Israel’s national anthem. Rather it is the essential message of the Jewish people, one we need not just in regard to Zionism, but in regard to Judaism and Jewish communities today.

In the 2010 Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life, Jews were asked how important their religion was to them. Thirty-one percent of the respondents claimed their religion was very important while 41% said there religion was somewhat important, compared to 28% who answered that their religion was of little or no importance in their lives. We have 72% of Jews who believe their religion plays a role in their lives, so where are they? They are out there, but they have voted with their feet. While their Judaism may be important in their lives, that is not translating into involvement within synagogues. They will follow something and someone only if it is meaningful, motivational, and inspirational. We need to inspire them back. Instead of more studies telling us what we already know, let’s lead the call with renewed spirit, breathing in new life and reviving our Judaism. What is needed today, now more than ever, from our bimahs, within our Hebrew schools, from our Federations and elsewhere is literally to “inspire,” to breathe into the Jewish enterprise, our Jewish institutions and our people a breath of fresh hope, possibility, vision, and life. And that is why no amount of recruitment, solicitation, or guilt-laden arguments to return to Judaism or Jewish community will prevail save this: a call to revive an inspired Judaism and Jewish community.

Although the Ruakh has grown faint, even though the Jewish spark has grown dim it still flickers. It can be fanned into a flame, the flame into a fire, the fire into a creative force and within that creative force, the breath of life is reignited.

Jed Filler (cont. from page x)

Working with a fine and talented team of professionals is a luxury that we are fortunate to have here at CSH. Rabbi HaLevi, Cantor Berkovits, Cantor Rozenfeld, Bob Krentzman, Leslie Sack, Barri Stein, Marylou Barry and Marla Gay; as well as Gus and Robert who, with their crack custodial staff, make everything we do possible.

I can’t thank our talented and dedicated staff enough for their work this year. They are: Melissa Caplan, Phyllis Eidelman, Valerie Gilbert, Stefanie Gladstone, Lynne Greenberg, Ann Navon, Halie Pica, Cheryl Schwartz, Rachel Schwartz, Daphna Shemesh, Julie Silver, Jason Stark, Rachel Jacobson, Beth Tassinari and Marcy Yellin.

We also have wonderfully dedicated madrichim: teenagers who do more than help out in our classrooms. They work one-on-one with our children, hold their hands, praise their work, and are role models for them. They are the glue that holds together our education community. They are our Madrichim: Rosi Berman, Rebecca Fine, Ariel Friedman, Anna Godes, Gennifer Greenberg, Leslie Hirshberg, Matt Jepsky, Michael Katzen, Ellyn Needel, Melissa Resnic, Jenna Resnick, Austin Sagan, Jared Solomon, Stephanie Strager, Elizabeth Strager, Jesse Tuttle, Britney Titus, Tali Weinstein, Julianne Zeff and Josh Zeff.

A special thank you to two unsung heroes: our CJE Program Coordinator, Ann Navon, and her expertise with operations, systems and organization! She keeps everything (and everyone!) running smoothly in our CJE, and we could not do our work without her; and to Cheryl Schwartz, who added significant responsibilities to her teaching role, becoming our Lead Teacher, being a resource for Judaica, pedagogy, and students and staff alike! Kol HaKavod!

Our philosophy is that Jewish education is not a list of tasks to be mastered, facts to be memorized, or a purely intellectual exercise. There is no MCAS for Judaism (or JCAS). Jewish education is a part of living an active Jewish life. Jewish learning is a part of Jewish living. We all travel a lifelong Jewish journey, and as a part of it, we should always be engaged in lifelong Jewish learning. Have a wonderful summer!
You are cordially invited to the

AIPAC Annual North Shore Event

Featuring
Reverend Dr. DeeDee Coleman

Russell Street Missionary Baptist Church, Detroit

Sunday, June 10, 2012
5:00 pm - Club Member* Reception
  6:00 pm - Program
  7:00 pm - Refreshments

Congregation Shirat Hayam
55 Atlantic Avenue
Swampscott, Massachusetts

Dietary laws observed.

Reservations are required. RSVP to Jacob Baime by Wednesday, June 6th
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**July Shabbat morning**

- **8:30 Renewal**
- **9:00 Traditional**
Have a
great summer!