

November-December/Heshvan-Tevet 2010/5771

### Rabbi's Message

#### **Reb Moshe Waldoks**

Dear Haverim and Haverot,

I am writing this message just after we concluded

the High Holiday season with a vibrant *Simkhat Torah* celebration.

It was such a wonderful experience being with you all over the last weeks. I was particularly touched by all of your support for Rav Claudia and me during *Ne'ilah*. My voice was affected by a cold and with all of you there backing us up we ended Yom Kippur with a

multitude of joy that we carried through to Simkhat Torah.

I need your help and support again to meet the challenge I proposed to you on *Rosh Hashana*: to gather all of yourself and bring it to the Divine and to be strong and courageous of heart.

Your response to this challenge is especially important to the success of the notion that "unorthodox Jews", Jews not afraid of surprises, can prove to be literate and "observant" Jews.

This is the challenge: Can we become sophisticated and nuanced in our Jewishness; can we go beyond our teenage impressions of *Yiddishkeyt*; can we free ourselves from cycles



of ignorance that are the result of acculturation to American life by our parents and grandparents? One of the challenges I put to you was to make the commitment to learn as much about

Judaism as you would learn to master one of your leisure activities: to be as proficient in Jewish life and culture as you need to be to captain a boat, to ski down a mountain, to golf 18 holes, to scuba in the Caribbean, or dribble down a soccer field. These skills are the result of practice, not one or two lessons a year.

I know that for most of us there is not enough time to become scholars of Judaism—but can we become literate? Can we strive for a feeling of authenticity that provides us and our loved ones with a sense of connection to the Jewish people and Jewish continuity; a connection that they will want to continue in their lives. This cannot happen with a tenuous connection to this open, inquisitive and non-judgmental community of which you are a member. We have been part of the Me-ah program for almost a dozen years and we will continue to provide the best adult learning that there is for those who want it.

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I see my role at TBZ as an enabler—one who enables you towards growth. That's why I'm here. That's why I worked so hard to form this remarkable community; a serious, but not solemn shul; a shul that meets you where you are; a shul that uses joy as its major vehicle towards the spiritual; a shul that asserts that our connection to the Divine begins within us and radiates into the world; a shul that believes that we should strive to help our society to be what it ought to be and not to be satisfied with the status quo.

We'll be doing a lot more in-reach this year. We need to know what would work for you. There is no better path for TBZ to remain successful than the success it has reaching "in" to its members and helping to change their lives; to help them become exemplars of an "unorthodox" Judaism that does not define itself by what it isn't but, rather, towards what it is striving. This goal is not "pie in the sky"; it is real and within your reach.

Please let me know how I can help you. If you've never made an appointment with me for a *shmooze*, why not? There's no time like to present to enhance our relationship as well as yours with TBZ.

Again, thanks for your warmth and acceptance. Thank you for offering so much of your energy towards making our days together at the start of the High Holiday season so invigorating. I hope this was the case for you and that the atmosphere that we created together will serve as an incentive to become a more literate and "observant" Jewish human being.

Reb Moshe



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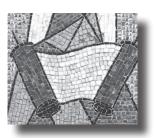
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#### Koleinu

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We would like to thank Rabbi Sam Seicol for his service to the Board. Work obligations make it necessary for Sam to step down, but we look forward to his continued support and teachings in the years to come. We also want to welcome Jenni Seicol and Jane Siegel who have been appointed to fill 2 vacancies. Jenni is co-chair of the Membership Committee and stalwart supporter of all things administrative. Jane served as vice-president 6 years ago and we are delighted to welcome her back to the Board.





### CoPresidents' Message

### Fran Shtull Adams & Jonathan Klein

With the major fall holiday cycle behind us, we return to the regular rhythm of TBZ. That includes our weekly Shabbat celebration along with a steady stream of weekday programming. For many in our community, TBZ involvement also includes some volunteer work or serving on a committee. The Koleinu lists our many committees along with contact information for the chairs and we encourage everyone to consider joining in the area that interests you most. There is one body within the shul that has undertaken some new challenges which we'd like to tell you about.

TBZ's Board of Directors is directly involved with just about every aspect of the shul. Over the past six months, we have been engaged in a process of identifying the specific challenges and priorities for the coming year. This process included visioning from our two Rabbis, many brainstorming sessions and finally a winnowing down to the top four areas which we have set as board goals for the coming year. Each board member is now serving on one of these four task forces dedicated to exploring the topic in depth and charged with bringing recommendations to the Board to determine action steps. Following is a brief description of the four task forces and some of the questions they will address:

**Finance and Dues** will explore, identify and take action on ways to achieve long-term financial sustainability consistent with our value system and fiscal needs, including input from rabbis, board, and community.

• What structure for dues and voluntary contributions will best enable TBZ to attain financial sustainability while honoring our culture?

**Membership** will consider how best to attract new members and retain current members.

- Why do people become members of TBZ and why do they resign membership?
- Are there demographic gaps within the shul we can identify and strengthen?

**Leadership** will develop a plan that addresses both short-term and long-term needs of the community.

• What steps can be taken to engage community members in leadership positions that could potentially lead to more responsibility?

**Yealdim/Family Education** will assess our progress in the journey to establish Yeladim and Family programming at TBZ and recommend steps to take over the next 2-3 years.

- How will the younger generation connect to synagogues?
- What is the most appropriate way to meet the needs of family education now and in the future?
- How can we ensure that families with young children and adults without children can all enjoy TBZ harmoniously?

In the coming months you may be contacted by a board member to gather your input as we proceed. We hope you will be as energized as the board has been in figuring out how best to navigate growth in a way that maintains our unique TBZ character. It takes all of us to make this community what it is, and we thank you in advance for your participation.

#### B'shalom,

Fran Shtull Adams & Jonathan Klein

**TBZ** CoPresidents



### Condolences

- To Neal Levitan and Audrey Zabin on the death of Neal's mother, Arlene Warshaw.
- To Mark and Elise Dwortzan on the death of Mark's mother, Lauralee Dwortzan.
- To Steve E. Lewis on the death of his mother, Evelyne Lewis.
- To Jessica Lerner on the death of her uncle, Paul Milstein.
- To Nancy and Gary Brandeis on the death of Nancy's father, Frank Jackson.

May their souls be bound up in the Bonds of Eternal life. HaMakom yenakhem otam im shear avlei Tziyon vYrushalayim.

### Message from Rav Claudia



Dear Haverim and Haverot,

On Rosh Hashanah I shared with you some of my thoughts regarding the questions we should ask ourselves as we talk about Social Justice being a core part of our Jewish Identity.

For that reason I've decided to share here some excerpts from my Rosh Hashana Dvar Torah.

To read the full sermon, please visit our website: <u>www.tbzbrookline.org</u>.

Today I would like to share with you some thoughts about the experience of crying, and the experience of crying as an opening, as a path that can lead us to action, to healing for ourselves and for others.

Let me begin by sharing with you a personal story:

On Rosh Hodesh Av, I went to the Western Wall, the Kotel, to pray with the activist group Women of the Wall. Women of the Wall, or Nashot Hakotel in Hebrew, is a group of Jewish women from around the world who seek the right, as women, to wear tallitot, prayer shawls, and to pray and read from the Torah collectively and openly at the Kotel. For many, the Western Wall is Judaism's most sacred site and the principal symbol of Jewish peoplehood and sovereignty. Women of the Wall works to make it a holy site where women can pray freely. The morning I joined the group for tefilah, Anat Hoffman, the director of Israel's Religious Action Center and chairperson of Women of the Wall, was arrested for carrying a Torah Scroll in public. Needless to say, it was an awful incident.

From my perspective, the most painful part of that morning actually took place before Hoffman's arrest. From

the moment I arrived at the prayer site, I realized how heartbreaking this experience was going to be. I cried throughout much of the morning service, including the joyous prayers of *Hallel*. The hatred I felt coming from the men screaming at us from the other side of the *mechitzah* (partition) was horrific. I was crying because of the intolerance and hatred of these men, I was crying because of the experience of religious extremism, and I was crying because of the power of the ultra-Orthodox in contemporary Israeli life.

It took me a while to realize that there was a positive aspect to my crying. It served as a catalyst for deep introspection. As I reflected on my sadness, I realized that I was crying because this was an issue that touched me deeply, but was also much bigger than me. The negative behavior of the *Haredi* men affected me directly that morning at the *Kotel*, but the issue of religious intolerance (including sexism) is an issue that also affects untold numbers of Jewish and non-Jewish women and men around the world.

This led me to another important realization: it had been too long since I cried about an issue that was bigger than me, bigger than my immediate life circumstances. There is so much to cry about in our personal lives loss of a loved one, yearning for companionship, or the challenges of parenthood. But can we also cry for others, for those we know and for those we do not know, those close and those far from us? Can we open ourselves to the pain and suffering of others? Can our tears serve to move us to take action with and for others?

David Grossman, the well-known Israeli author and peace activist who lost his son in the last Lebanon war writes: "I feel the heavy price that I and the people around me pay for this prolonged state of war. Part of this price is a shrinking of our soul's surface area – those parts of us that touch the violent, menacing world outside – and a diminished ability and willingness to empathize at all with other people in pain."

The shrinking of our soul's surface area and a diminished ability and

willingness to empathize at all with other people in pain: what a terrible thing to happen to human beings! It is true that we can't cry every time we read about a catastrophe somewhere in the world, or even in our own city or neighborhood. As we often say at TBZ, "being joyful and being grateful" are ways to live a more mindful and meaningful life. But we cannot let apathy or "compassion fatigue" conquer our souls; we cannot not let ourselves become numb to the reality of this shattered world and forget that WE can do something to make this world a better place.

It is good and important to let ourselves be troubled by the aches and pains of the world, to have things beyond our immediate circles that make us cry. Our personal pains can and should help us to be more sensitive and responsive to the suffering of others. This is the meaning of empathy.

In his essay "The Reasons for My Involvement in the Peace Movement." Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel writes that "indifference to evil is worse than evil itself." He continues and says that from his studies on the prophets he learned that "morally speaking there is no limit to the concern one must feel for the suffering of humans beings", and that "in regard to cruelties committed in the name of a free society, some are guilty, while all are responsible." Heschel ends this powerful set of sermonic statements with a personal reflection: "As a result, my concern to stop the [Vietnam] war became a central religious concern."

Heschel challenges us not just to transform our concern for others into action, but to understand this as a religious matter. How do we transcend ourselves, feeling the pain of others, turning our cries into action? How can our Jewish beliefs and practices help us in our efforts to heal the world?

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I would like to challenge us by posing a few questions to think about together as community in the coming year:

- What can we do individually and collectively to ensure that the "surface of our souls" does not shrink? How can we enhance our ability to empathize with others—near and far, known and unknown?
- What makes you cry? What keeps you awake at night? What needs to be different in this world—in our

local neighborhoods, in our city, in our state, in our country, in Israel, in the world?

- How can TBZ become a place to practice social justice from a Jewish perspective? In Heschel's words, how can we make this work a "central religious concern" in our community?
- How might we generate a process that will significantly increase the level of communal involvement in sustained social justice efforts through our synagogue?
- What experiences and expertise do you bring to this effort? How

can we learn from you and help sustain you in this sacred work?

Over the last several years we have grown into a serious community of spiritual practitioners and students of Torah through our *tfilot* and classes. Let us set as an intention for this year to harness the richness of the inner work we do at TBZ to guide our efforts in transforming the world. I want to call us today to think about how social justice can become an essential part of our religious lives at TBZ.

#### Rav Claudia

### News from the GLBT Committee

#### By Lisa Lovett

A year ago, a group of TBZ members with the support of our Rabbis and our temple presidents began working as a committee to improve the inclusion and comfort of GLBT members of our community and to make sure the doors of Judaism, and in particular the doors of our shul, are open wide to people who have a history of being denied access or who have been accepted but marginalized. In the past year we have had some wonderful events including: a potluck with *Keshet*, a forum with both rabbis, and our first Pride Shabbat. Most recently, we continued our shul tradition of having a *D'var Torah* in response to the reading of Leviticus in the Yom Kippur service. I know that these words were meaningful to both gay and straight members of our TBZ community.

We all know, however, that our work of repairing the world needs to continue. Many of us were horrified this week by the events at Rutgers University, where a young man tragically ended his life after experiencing bullying and humiliation over a homosexual encounter. This incident was just one of several other suicides of youth who were isolated and taunted about their sexuality. TBZ has a growing community of children and on behalf of those among them who will someday realize that they have a gender identity or sexual orientation that is not embraced by the larger society, we must create an environment of openness and joy about the Jewish adults all of them, gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered and straight, will be some day.

I'm inviting all of the members at TBZ who are interested in becoming involved in this initiative to join our committee. This group is not an exclusive one. It is not only open to any GLBT temple members who want to make connections, it is also open to any congregant who is committed to making our shul a place where GLBT members of the Jewish community can feel welcome to join, to daven and to study. If you are interested in voicing your support for this work, staying more closely involved through email or volunteering to help with this initiative, please contact Lisa Lovett at *lovettreuben@ comcast.net*.

Mazel Tov!



- To Amy and Rick Sands on the birth of a grandson, Micah Jin.
- To Amy Mates and Billy Mencow on the marriage of their daughter Deena Mencow to Sean Kennedy.
- To Asaf and Elizabeth Bitton and big sister Maya on the birth of Talia Susanne.
- To Jeffrey Borenstein and Lilly Pelzman on the new addition to their family, granddaughter Raya Devorah.
- To Judy Pinnolis and Ari Davidow on the birth of their grandson, Isaac Solomon Fertig.
- To Deb Stang on the birth of a grandson.
- To Barrie Wheeler, Amit Segal and big brother Eitan on the birth of Nina Charlotte, 6 lbs, 5 ounces!

### A Message From the Membership Committee

Do you like coming to TBZ? Do you sing and smile more than you thought you ever would at a Shabbat service? Maybe you enjoy a thought-provoking class or stimulating Torah study discussion. Perhaps you participate in our *Chesed* and *Tikkun Olam* efforts, or have sat down for a heart to heart talk with one of our caring Rabbis.

Whatever your engagement is in the TBZ community, it belongs to all of us, and we are responsible for its vibrancy, its growth, and its welcoming presence. There are so many people who would be positively affected by the joy and warmth of our *shul*. Each of us can make a difference in the lives of the people around us by sharing this meaningful part of our own lives.

Invite people to experience TBZ! If you have something good, it is a blessing to share it.

David Cherenson & Jenni Seicol, Co-Chairs

membership@tbzbrookline.org

Fall Retreat

We're looking for volunteers to help coordinate an adult Shabbat

retreat, in cooperation with Nishmat

Hayyim, (the Jewish Meditation Collaborative of New England) for next fall (after the holidays in November). Please let us know if you would like to help. It will hopefully become an annual fall event. Respond to office@tbzbrookline.org or 617-566-8171 x 14.

Please help us make this another meaningful TBZ experience.



Save the date!

### **TBZ GAME NIGHT**

### Saturday, January 29, 2011

What's your favorite game? Bring it along! Munchies will be served. Sponsored by the Membership Committee





(For new members and for those who still feel like new members!)



Wednesday, November 3 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

There is still time to sign up. Call Jeralyn in the office for more information. (617) 566-8171 ext. 14.

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### NOTES FROM THE ADULT LEARNING COMMITTEE

by Reggie Silberberg, Chair

### Torah Study with Reb Moshe and Rav Claudia

Held every Shabbat morning at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary, except on holidays.

### Stories of the Talmud with Rav Claudia

#### Mondays, Nov 1, 15, 22, 29, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. in the sanctuary (No class on Nov. 8.)

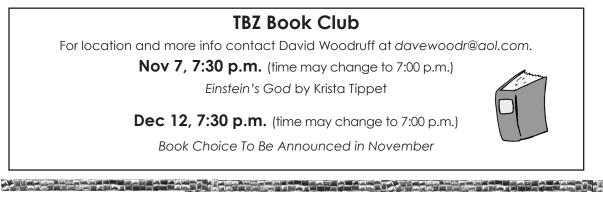
As opposed to popular conception, the Talmud is not only a book of laws it is a wondrous literary creation where rules, debates, life stories and fiction merge into a web of meaning. In this course we will study some of the stories from the Talmudic discussion and see how they use the story format as another way to think about and create meaning in life. You can still register fort this course....just email Jeralyn in the TBZ office at office@tbzbrookline.org.

### Women's Study Group with Rav Claudia

Wednesday, Nov 17 • Monday, Dec 13 • Wednesday, January 12 (Note alternating Mondays/Wednesdays) 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. in the sanctuary

(More dates for winter and spring will be announced)

Women participating in the Women's Study Group come together monthly to learn about issues relating to the status of women in the Jewish tradition. This year the study group will focus on feminist readings of the Torah, and on the relationship between women and ritual. We will have the opportunity to struggle with these issues: the place we have had and the place we are creating for ourselves now. The study group is open to all women. You can attend one, some, or all meetings. We need a group of 10 committed women for each meeting for the study group to take place. Please RSVP two weeks before each scheduled meeting to regsilver@aol.com.



## Hebrew Kirtan

Join us for a wonderful evening with the Kirtan Rabbi Andrew Hahn (also know as Reb Drew).

Saturday evening, Nov 13, 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary at TBZ.

Ticket prices: Advance Tickets: \$12, at the door: \$18

Sponsored by the TBZ Adult Learning Committee and Hebrew Chant Boston.

Hebrew Kirtan is fully participatory, a call-and-response chant where short, sacred phrases from the Jewish tradition are treated as powerful, universal meditations. It is at once contemplative, ecstatic and simply fun! Kirtan is a form of chant developed in India to heighten participation, communal feeling, and ecstatic communion with the divine. Reb Drew's Hebrew kirtans tend to use niggunim and zemirot (tunes and songs) which already feel familiar. As Reb Drew likes to say, "We don't sing many words, but we sing them many times!" His music is characterized by great energy, passion and melodic flow. **Rabbi Andrew Hahn** holds a Ph.D. in Jewish Thought from the Jewish Theological Seminary (Conservative) and received rabbinic ordination from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (Reform). He has also studied at the feet of Rabbi Zalman Schachter-Shalomi, founder of the Jewish Renewal Movement. Dubbed "a Shlomo Carlebach for the twenty-first century," he weaves traditional Jewish liturgy and musical modes into the increasingly popular call-and-response chants.

His recent CD, *Kirtan Rabbi: Live!*, already has a growing, devoted following. Forthcoming soon are two recordings: *Amidah* and *Yamim Noraim*, which will offer new avenues for religious seekers to participate in the traditional Jewish liturgical practices.

### Special Hanukkah Weekend Learning

(see page 2 and the back page for children, teen, and family events)

### Rabbi Professor Arthur Green at TBZ

Shabbat of Hanukkah, Dec. 4

We will be honored to have TBZ member and scholar Art Green speak during

Shabbat morning services and give a talk after kiddush.

#### Rabbi Arthur Green, PhD, Rector at the Rabbinical School of Hebrew College

Art Green is recognized as one of the world's preeminent authorities on Jewish thought and spirituality. In addition to his Rabbinical School role as Rector, he serves as Irving Brudnick Professor of Philosophy and Religion at Hebrew College and is Professor Emeritus at Brandeis University. Previously, he taught at the University of Pennsylvania and the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, where he served as Dean and President from 1984 to 1993. A prolific author, Dr. Green has published *Ehyeh:* A *Kabbalah for Tomorrow* (Jewish Lights Publishing, 2002), A *Guide to the Zohar* (Stanford University, 2003), and *Radical Judaism* (Yale University Press, 2010). He lectures widely at universities and Jewish communities throughout North America, as well as in Israel, where he visits each year. Dr. Green received his BA and PhD from Brandeis and an MHL and rabbinic ordination from the Jewish Theological Seminary.

### The True Story of Hanukkah with Reb Moshe

Sunday, Dec 5 at 11:00 a.m. in the community room.

The real story of Hannukah revealed at last! Curious....come join us!

Bagels, coffee, and tea will be served.

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### Thank You!

• To Zina Pelzman, Avi Davis, David Breakstone, Jenni Seicol, and Enid Shulman for licking and sticking and stuffing, and answering phones;

- To John Powell for repairing the breastplates and rimonims that grace our Torah scrolls;
- To Rick Bankhead for the beautiful fall additions to our garden;
- To Arnold Bornfriend and Jenni Seicol for watering and weeding that beautiful garden;
- To Phyllis Brawarsky for cleaning the *Bimah* reading table cloths and all of the Torah mantles;

- To Jack Daniels for his work on the sukkah and for generally being TBZ's jack-of-all-trades;
- To the Posternak family for putting up the scakh and decorating the sukkah;
- To Alan Leviton for his continued work in the building.

There are so many members who go above and beyond to assist with the day-to-day operations of TBZ, we wish to thank every one of you personally. If we have left out your name, let us know and it will be in the next issue. Just email *koleinu@tbzbrookline.org*. And thank you again.

### TBZ has two listservs: Haverim and Kehilla.

We now have a new look for *Haverim*. It is NOT associated with YAHOO. If you would like to be added please contact Jeralyn at the office with your email address.



Haverim is limited to TBZ members and used for TBZ business only. When you join TBZ, the office will sign you up for this listserv. Should you wish to unsubscribe, you may do so at any time by clicking on the SafeUnsubscribe link at the bottom of any Haverim email.

*Kehilla* is an open listserv, available to both members and nonmembers of TBZ. It is used to post items that may be of interest to the general TBZ community, such as Jewish-related events in the vicinity, items you wish to buy or sell, requests for physician recommendations, etc.

To join Kehilla:

- Go to www.yahoo.com
- In the search box type: tbz-kehilla
- A google search page will show up. Click on tbz-kehilla (usually the first choice)
- Click on the Join this Group rectangle towards the upper right area of the page and follow the prompts
- To post a message to Kehilla, send an email to: tbz-kehilla@yahoogroups.com

### A Note on Photographs

At various synagogue events during the course of the year (not on *Shabbat* or *Yom Tov*), we may take photographs to display on our bulletin boards, in our newsletter, or on our website. If you prefer that we not display photos of you or your children, please complete this form and return it to the TBZ office.

\_\_\_\_ I/We prefer that photos of me/us at TBZ events not be displayed.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We prefer that photos of my/our children at TBZ events not be displayed.

(Check one or both as applicable.)

Signature(s):

Printed Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Date:\_\_\_\_\_

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Photos from High Holiday Prep at TBZ

















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### ki im-kha mkor khayim: "For with You is the fountain of life"

### Hanukkah Meditations

It is customary to use the minutes after candle lighting to meditate on the light of the candles just lit. Sit yourself in a comfortable position gazing at the light. If you are using a usual small Hanukkah candle it might take about 18-25 to completely melt down. If you're using oil or large candles you may wish to only sit for the 18-20 minutes.

Obviously sitting meditatively will be difficult with children present—but I suggest that you make one, two or three of the Hanukkah lighting times into family time: board games, exchanging home-made-gifts, offering gifts of service throughout the year i.e. taking on a chore that one doesn't normally do, or choosing a toy or game to be given away to a child who would not regularly be able to afford one, all to be done in the light of the candle's glow. Following R. Shefa Gold's words below, I would like to suggest 8 meditations you might like to try, one for each night of Hanukkah. Our teacher, Rabbi Shefa, tells us that we can rededicate the holy on Hanukkah by repairing our inner Temple. She says:

Hanukkah celebrates the rededication of the ancient Holy Temple where our ancestors worshipped. Each year we recall the "great miracle that happened there." Although the Temple no longer stands in Jerusalem, we can still take part in a ritual of rededication of the holy. In our time, God-worship has developed beyond the animal sacrifice that took place in the Temple: Prayer and service are what we offer God. The altar of stone that was swept away finds its true place at the center of the temple of our soul, where the infinite meets the finite, where the spark of God bursts into flame within us. Making our lives into a dwelling place for divine presence, a Mishkanthe portable sanctuary that we carry through our wilderness journeys-takes work and attention to detail, a commitment to spiritual practice. The Book of Exodus contains detailed instructions for building the Mishkan. The Mishkan's very purpose is to provide a space within where we can receive the mystery of presence. God says to us (Exodus 25:8): "Make for me a holy place so that I can dwell among you." Inside, among the nation of Israel, and inside our own hearts, God's message to us is that it is possible to stay connected with God at all times, in all places, even as you engage in the life of the world.

But as the story of Hanukkah reminds us, even the holiest place can become desecrated. It is simple, if heartbreaking, to recognize the desecration of the physical Temple. It is a much subtler process to probe the desecration of the inner Temple. We examine the Temple within by asking the very questions that confronted Judah Maccabee upon retaking the Temple: What needs repair? What requires renewal? How shall we kindle the eternal flame? Hanukkah offers us an opportunity to rededicate ourselves to the holy, to our connection to God. As the days grow short and the night darkness long, we are invited to enter into the darkness of our own hearts. There, buried beneath the rubble of our disappointments, we find the miraculous spark of our divinity, the awesome knowledge that we are each created in the image of God. This is the spark with which we kindle our menorah. If we heal the personal desecrations we each have suffered and rededicate our lives to holiness. the miracle of Hanukkah happens inside us. Each night of Hanukkah, we light another candle. Each night the light grows brighter, shining its radiance into our own hidden places. It is truly miraculous that the single spark of hope that we excavate from the darkest part of our hearts can ignite the radiant fires of passion that illuminate our way forward, even on the darkest night.

# Hanukkah

### from

#### 8<sup>TH</sup> NIGHT

We have crossed the threshold to the transcendent, that which is beyond the natural boundaries. Sense the extraordinary in your life. Contemplate those times when you felt connected to something larger than yourself. Celebrate your capacity to rise up in the fullness of your light and the light of the Divine.

#### 7<sup>TH</sup> NIGHT

Sense that we are still in the realm of the natural, the seven days of Creation. Contemplate the way you are natural in your behaviors and where you take on an unnatural poses or persona. Contemplate the fear and anxiety underlying these postures.

#### 6<sup>TH</sup> NIGHT

Sense how much we depend on light. Consider the struggle we are in to save our planet from the irresponsible use of all manner of fuels that have come to alter our climates and pollute our air. Contemplate on your own fuel habits and how you can join others in this struggle.

#### 5<sup>TH</sup> NIGHT

We begin to contemplate what it really means to bring enlightenment into ourselves and the world. As the light grows we can sense our own power to make change. Contemplate on those areas within yourself and your surroundings that will benefit from more light.

Mary this Hanukkah and manifold meanings

## be-orkha nir-eh or: "In Your light we see light"



### **Reb Moshe**

#### 4<sup>TH</sup> NIGHT

Sense the growing light as we are halfway through the journey of rededication. Use this night to sit and contemplate how you are faring so far. What still seems difficult? Sit with either the difficulty or the serenity this practice has engendered in you.

#### 3<sup>RD</sup> NIGHT

We see and sense the power of birthing, both physical and spiritual. From two comes three overcoming duality. Contemplate the ways in which you overcome duality in your life; how you overcome the either/or way of thinking that prevents synthesis within ourselves. This year the 3rd night is erev Shabbat, as we light the hannukiyah before the Shabbat candles, contemplate how the candles of Shabbat provide an opportunity every week for rededication to the our souls. Think about how Shabbat can enhance your life.

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> NIGHT

Sense the strength of the coupling of light. Imagine the first two candles as the continuity of the natural world, Adam and Eve, the progenitors of life. Contemplate the power of relationship to another.

#### 1<sup>s⊤</sup> NIGHT

The power of light to pierce the darkness is the focus of the first night. The expectation of the First candle remaining lit for one day was a natural assumption. (I don't know why that was a natural assumption, but it sounds nice.) It is natural to see the power of light and dark in the natural world around us. Contemplate how we appreciate the passing of light to darkness.

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bring deeper joy to you and those you love.

### The Mechanics:

The Hanukkiyah is lit at sundown since Jewish holidays run from sundown to sundown. The only exception is Friday night when the menorah is lit prior to sundown to respect the Sabbath. On the first night, place one candle in the Hanukkiyah's far right slot and also place a candle in the holder for the Shamash. Light the Shamash candle and then say the Hanukkah blessings as you use the Shamash to light the first Hanukkah candle.

#### **First Blessing to Recite**

#### Barukh Ata Adonai Eloyheynu Melekh Ho-olam Asher Kidshanu Be-mitsvotav Ve-tsivanu Lehadlik Neyr Shel Khanuka.

Holy One of Blessing, Your Presence fills creation. We are grateful for the opportunity of connecting to the Divine with the performance of this action, the kindling of the light of Hanukkah.

#### Second Blessing to Recite

#### Barukh Ata Adonai Eloheynu Melekh Ha-olam She-asa Nissim La-avoteynu Ba-yamim Ha-heym Ba-zman Ha-zeh.

Holy One of Blessing, your Presence fills creation. We are conscious of the miracle of life given to our people in its quest for connection to You. This is true today as it was for our ancestors.

#### Third Blessing, Recited only on the first night of Hanukkah

#### Barukh Ata Adonai Eloyhenu Melekh Ha-olam Shehekheyanu Ve-kiymanu Ve-higgi'anu La-zman Ha-zeh.

Holy One of Blessing, Your Presence fills creation. You are the Source of Life that has preserved and sustained us bringing to this special moment in time

On the he second night, place two candles in the *Hanukkiyah's* far right (as you face the Hanukkiyah) candle holders. Another candle is placed for the *Shamash* (helper candle). Say the first two blessings above and then light the candles using the *Shamash* candle. Light the left-most candle first, the new one, and then light in order, from left to right. Follow this procedure for each night of Hanukkah.

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Friday	5		6:00 pm, Kabbalat		12	5:00 pm, Early Service, Yeladim 6:00 pm, Kabbalat	6:00 pm. Yeladim Dinner (see pg. 18)	19	6:00 pm. Kabbalat	Shabbar	26	6:00 pm, Kabbalat Shabbat		
Thursday	4				11			18			Thanksgiving 25			
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Tuesday	2			7:30 pm, Spiritual Journeys w/Ron White	6		7:30 pm, Spiritual Journeys w/Ron White	16			23			30
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Sunday					2		7:30 pm, TBZ Book Club (time may change to 7:00 pm) (see pg. 8)	14	10:30 am, Family Education - special workshop (see pg. 14)	5:00 pm, B' nei Mitzvah Group with Rav Claudia 5:30 pm, BBYO w/Malki	21			28

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Parshat Vayishlach

9:30 am, Torah Study - Later Start time

11:00 am, Tfilot Yeladim Shabbat Family Service for All (see pg. 19)

7:30 pm, Hebrew Kirtan

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9:00 am, Torah Study

10:00 am, Shabbat Services

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9:00 am, Torah Study

Parshat Vayetzei

10:00 am, *Shabbat* Services - babysitting available

7:30 pm, Kirtan Rabbi, Rabbi Andrew Hahn (see pg. 8)

8:00 pm, TBZ Move Night

10:45 am, Tfilot Yeladim 1:00 pm, B'nei Mitzvah Group with Rabbis

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Parshat Toldot

Saturday

7:30 pm, Beginners Hebrew with Rabbi Sam Seicol

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9:00 am, Torah Study

Parshat Vayeshev

10:00 am, Shabbat Services

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Friday	Hanukkah - <b>3</b> 3 Candles 6:00 pm, Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00 pm, 7:00 pm, Community Hanukkah Dinner	10 6:00 pm, Kabbalat Shabbat	17 6:00 pm, Kabbalat Shabbat	24 6:00 pm, Kabbalat Shabbat	31 6:00 pm, Kabbalat Shabbat
Thursday	Hanukkah - <b>2</b> 2 Candles	8	16	23	30
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Tuesday		Hanukkah - <b>7</b> 7 Candles	14	21	28
Monday	Hanukkah Party for All December 5 <sup>th</sup> Latkes, Sufganiot, art projects, games, music, songs, stories and more! Bring your own Hanukyiah (Hanukah menorah) with 6 candles!	Hanukkah - 6 6 Candles 7:00 pm. Nishmat Hayyim Meditation 7:30 pm. Beginners Hebrew with Rabbi Sam Seicol	<b>13</b> 7:00 pm. <i>Nishmat</i> Hayyim Meditation 7:30 pm. Women's Study Group with Rav Claudia (see pg. 8) 7:30 pm. Beginners Hebrew with Rabbi Sam Seicol	<b>20</b> 7:00 pm, Nishmat Hayyim Meditation	<b>27</b> 7:00 pm. Nishmat Hayyim Meditation
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Katherine Gergen-Barnett Chair, Yeladim Committee katherine@aya.yale.edu

## Pinat Veladim: Children's Corner A Message From the **New Yeladim Chair**

by Katherine Geraen Barnett

Hello, my name is Katherine Gergen Barnett and I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new chair of Yeladim Programming. As many of you know, Rav Claudia and Reb Moshe have, over the last few years, done an absolutely amazing job in attracting and bringing in new families with children and, as a result, the face of TBZ has shifted to become a more inter-generational space that people from all walks and stages of life have begun to call home. This sense of home and excitement has been augmented by the indefatigable work of Jane Daniels and Sara Smolover, the Yeladim co-chairs for the past two years. With the leadership and guidance of Rav Claudia and many volunteers, Sara and Jane built our Yeladim services, babysitting, Family Ed programs, the Retreat, and even our Beit Rabban. This sense of a dynamic community, religious home, and growth is indeed what attracted my husband, Mark and myself as well as our two young children, Gabriel and Amira, to join two years ago and now I feel honored to be joining them and helping take the torch in order to continue to work on growing these programs as well as bringing in new ones. However, this work cannot be done in isolation. As part of the community, I invite you to contribute your ideas, time, energy and talent to the continued growth and blossoming of the Yeladim community at TBZ. Please feel free to come say hello or drop me a line. I look forward to taking this new chapter of the adventure together.

### A Report from Beit Rabban

### **TBZ's "Hebrew School"**

#### by Rav Claudia and Karin Zingerevitz

We are very excited as we begin our third year of the Beit Rabban program at TBZ. Our main goal is to connect our children to Judaism through stimulating, interactive learning. We developed the Beit Rabban program to address the false notion that Hebrew school is boring and pointless. Our greatest desire is for TBZ's children to become captivated by a vibrant Judaism. We are leading our students on a journey exploring innovative new roads to Torah, to God, and to a mindful, purposeful Jewish life. In this way, each child will be encouraged to find his or her own place within the Jewish tradition.

In the Beit Rabban program we have several distinct learning goals for each group level and each individual pupil. We also envision a common goal for all students: to build a sense of community among TBZ's children and their families.

Beit Rabban classes are held once a week on Wednesday afternoons, and we have 29 children participating in our current academic year.

#### Introducing our Beit Rabban Staff:

#### Karin C. Zingerevitz – Beit Rabban Coordinator

Karin is honored to be the new Beit Rabban coordinator. She is originally from Sao Paulo, Brazil, where she was deeply involved with the Jewish community and several informal educational programs such as youth movements, camps, after-school activities and family education programs. Five years ago, Karin moved to Los Angeles to pursue a Masters in Jewish Communal Services at HUC (Hebrew Union College) and Public Administration at USC (University of Southern Cal). In 2007, she moved to Boston to work for Hebrew College as the associate director of Oraita: Institute for Rabbinical Continuing Education. She is married to Rogerio, a rabbinical student at Hebrew College, and they have a beautiful two-yearold daughter, Tali.

#### Laura Held - Ktantanim I Teacher

Laura is really excited to be joining the Beit Rabban teaching staff. She hails from Massachusetts and has lived in the Boston area since 1999. Laura studied abroad at Tel Aviv University in 2002, and from '03-'04 she learned at the Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies in Jerusalem. Laura was a teacher at Temple Israel in Boston teaching 2<sup>nd</sup> graders. For the past year plus, Laura has been living at the Isabella Freedman Jewish Retreat Center in CT, first as a fellow at Adamah: The Jewish Environmental Fellowship program and then as the mashgichah (kosher supervisor). She is now living in Needham and will be starting a master's program in Agriculture, Food, and Environment at Tufts University's School of Nutrition Science and Policy.

#### Joanna Lubkin - Ktantanim I Teacher

Joanna is thrilled to be working with the Ktantanim I children this year. Joanna has previously substituted at Temple Emanuel's religious school (kindergarten, first, and second grade) and taught music at the JCC in Worcester. She will now be spending her days studying at



Hebrew College Rabbinical School, and is looking forward to Wednesday afternoons' joyful singing, learning, and story times.

#### Jamie Sorge - Ktantanim II Teacher

Jaime is originally from Connecticut but has been living in the Grater Boston area for quite some time. He is very excited to be teaching *Ktantanim II* this year as he has a special passion for teaching. He is an English teacher at Plymouth North High School and has had several other teaching positions in the past. Jamie has been involved in the Hebrew School and teen's programs of the *Eitz Chayim* Synagogue in Cambridge for the last three years. He has also been a volunteer with B'nai B'rith Youth Organization since 2006 where he met his lovely wife Malki (our BBYO staff) whom he married in August 2010.

#### Eliane Dreyfuss – Tzeirim Teacher

Eliane loves Judaism and is looking forward to sharing her enthusiasm with her *Tzeirim* students. She has staffed several Birthright trips to Israel and has been involved with many other Israel related organizations. She is the New England Regional Director of *Hagshamah* and the Israel Co-Chair of Geshercity Leadership Council. She has lived in Israel for several years and has been a teacher in Camp Ramah and other settings.

#### Becky Wexler - Bnei Mitzvah Teacher

Becky is a cantorial student at Hebrew College and a klezmer clarinetist who performs throughout the United States and Canada. She has tutored *Bnei Mitzvah* students since the age of 15 and has enjoyed working in many different capacities in various synagogues in the Boston area. She looks forward to a year of learning with TBZ!

### **NOVEMBER-DECEMBER YELADIM PROGRAMS**

### (There is a lot going on!!)

### **Tfilot Yeladim Shabbat**

- Efrochim (toddlers, preschool) with Jessica (10:45-11:20 a.m.)
- *Ktantanim* (K-3 grade) with Jessica (11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.)
- Tzeirim and Bnei Mitzvah (4-7 grade) with Becky (11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.)

November 6

December 4

December 18

#### Family Service Shabbat. November 20.

11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. (see box page 19)

### Family Ed Program

Sundays 10:30-12:00 for Efrochim & Ktantanim:

November 14

December 5

3-5:00 p.m. Hanukkah Party (see box page x)

### Bnei Mitzvah Group

Shabbat 1:00 p.m. with Reb Moshe and Rav Claudia:

November 6

December 18

## Bnei Mitzvah and BBYO meetings:

6<sup>th</sup> grade with Rav Claudia at 5:00 p.m., 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up with Malki at 5:30 p.m.

### November 14 December 5 (Hanukkah Party 3-5:00 p.m.) (see box page x)

## Babysitting - Saturday mornings:

10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

November 13 December 11

### **Family Dinner**

5:00 p.m. Service 6:00 p.m. Dinner

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### Save the Date!

### A Special Family Ed Program

Sunday November 14<sup>th</sup>

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Workshop with artist:

### Sasha Bergmann Lichtenstein

For Efrochim and Ktantanim (toddlers, preschool, K-3) and their families!

### "Tzedakah: The Jewish way to give"

We will **create Tzedakah Boxes with clay** & learn about the mitzvah of Tzedakah! Sasha is a ceramic instructor at Gann Academy and JCDS and sells her work at Kolbo.

(She is also Rav Claudia's pottery teacher).

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More details to come!



### Save the Date!

### TBZ Community Retreat April 1-3, 2011 at Prindle Pond, Charlton, MA

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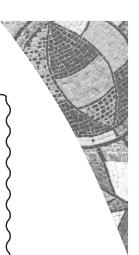
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Come to the first organizing meeting:

Sunday November 21, 2010, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

#### (Babysitting provided)

For questions or to volunteer, contact Rachele Rosi-Kessel: rachele@rosi-kessel.org or Jane Liebschutz: jane.liebschutz@gmail.com



#### The entire TBZ Community is invited to come together for a

#### FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE FOR ALL

#### November 20, 2010, 11:00 a.m.

#### Parshat Vayishlach

Please Join us for a joyful and vibrant service in the Sanctuary! The service will include a shorter-than-usual Shacharit Service and the Torah service will include story telling. It will be welcoming for children and adults alike.

*Tzeirim* and *Bnei Mitzvah* kids (4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade) will meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor with Becky for the first part of the service (at 11) and will join the whole community for Torah Service.

Please note this is NOT a children's service, but a Family Service for ALL! The whole community will celebrate Shabbat together. Because of the later start, Torah Study will be held from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

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- Joel Kershner and Sheine Wizel IHO the *yahrzeit* of Joel's mother, Pearl Kershner.
- Jonathan and Nikki Decter IHO their new daughter, Ariel Paz.

- Amy and Max Newell IHO the *yahrzeit* of Amy's uncle, Donald Isikoff.
- Bobbi Isberg and Seth Alper IHO the *yahrzeit* of Bobbi's father, Emil Isberg.
- Galit and Daniel Schwartz IHO the 2<sup>nd</sup> yahrzeit of Galit's grandmother, Fanny Elkes, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday of their son, Michael Shabtai Schwartz.
- Amy Schottenfels and Jonathan Klein IHO the yahrzeits of Amy's mother, Dulcy Schottenfels, and Jonathan's father, Albert Klein.
- The Tikkun Olam Group.
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And thanks!





## Festive Hanukkah Weekend

December 3, 4, & 5

Friday Night's Kabbalat Shabbat will be followed by our Annual **Hanukkah Dinner** (see page 2)

Shabbat Morning Service will feature TBZ Member and Scholar: Rabbi Arthur Green

Sunday Morning at 11:00, come have bagels with Reb Moshe who will talk about the **true story of Hanukkah**—Not for the Squeamish

Sunday afternoon we will have our **Community Hanukkah party** for all, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. (see page 15)

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