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Rabbi's Message Reb Moshe

Dear Haverim and Haverot,

Warm summer days are upon us, a reward for a punishing winter.

TBZ remains open throughout the summer months and we are always a "cool" destination for services Friday or Shabbat morning. (We have great air-conditioning.)

One of the reasons for Jewish survival over the last two millennia is our portable tradition. Throughout our sojourns in many parts of the world we have brought those traditions with us wherever we go.

This is especially true of Shabbat. The observance of Shabbat is possible anywhere we go. Whether we are on a camping trip to the Rockies or enjoying a leisurely pace at the shore it is always possible to create the Zen-like beauty of the Shabbat table: its flowers arranged in a vase, two lit candles, two loaves of wonderful bread on a plate covered with a colorful cloth and a cup of wine. This aesthetic still-life makes the Shabbat meal the most romantic of all meals, rivaling those at the fanciest of restaurants. Such beauty invites blessings over wine and bread and gratitude after we have eaten our fill.

Gazing up at the canvas called sky, star studded and vast in its enormity, we are struck with wonder at the Universe that surrounds us. We give praise to the Source of Life for bringing us to this time and place. We are reminded, through our observations, that we are all specks on the edge of a planet hurtling through space. Meditating on the passing of time we are jointly humbled and proud of where we all come from and what we can contribute to the chain of humanity.



These observations are the source of Abraham's perception of the God of the Universe unfettered by any earthly or celestial form. This conviction led Abraham and Sarah to a new consciousness and prompted their spiritual journey.

These observations led humanity to create ways to mark the passages in our lives through observances that are meant to help us retain the consciousness of our place in the Universe. For the followers of Abraham through the path of Sinai the engines of imagination and creativity brought forth the Shabbat as a "zecher lema'aseh bereshit", a way to maintain the consciousness of the Creation of the Universe and our being

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creatures within that expanse.

Our calendar year yields at least 52 weekly 25-hour vacations from the rugged and ragged lives we live wherever we are. More than ever we sense a need for liberation, as the Shabbat offers our imaginations the opportunity to taste freedom from slavery "zecher l'yetziat mitzrayim"; liberation from the technologies that envelope and suffocate us with both their demands and their triviality.

Let this summer be a beginning of a Shabbat consciousness that will bring us closer to the heart of the TBZ

community. There are few places that offer our brand of joyous celebration and open Torah study every Friday evening and Shabbat morning. Friday evening's Kabbalat Shabbat service is a wonderful way to get ready for a Shabbat dinner and Shabbat morning is worth getting out of bed for, a way to hone one's intellectual and spiritual chops.

It's very challenging to alter one's routine and consciousness away from the one or two day-a-year visit to TBZ. We always love to see you and that's why we'd love to see you more often. While the High Holidays are "especially "high" at TBZ, the Shabbat experience somehow reflects who we are in a different and more "special" way.

It's a challenge and I am sure many of you will consider it as such. Many of you, with a deepening commitment to your spiritual lives, will take it on.

Have a great summer of renewal and I hope to see you all soon.

B'shalom,

Reb Moshe

Mazel Tov!

מזל טוב!



- To Marilyn and Mitchel Ross on the marriage of their son, Benjamin Ross to Elizabeth Bennett.
- To Jane and John Daniels on the *bnei mitzvah* of their children, Isabel and Marc.
- To Sharon Morgenbesser on the birth of a daughter, Danielle Chloe.
- To Rabbi Sam and Jenni Seicol on the birth of a granddaughter, Lyssa Riley McGraw.
- To Molly Silver and John Burstein on the *bar mitzvah* of their son, Ezra.
- To Sara Smolover and Larry Kraus on the *bar mitzvah* of their son, Micah.
- To Margie Skeer Corcoran and Casey Corcoran and big brother Rafael on their new baby daughter and sister, Ariella Dani.
- To Myra Musicant and Howard Cohen on the birth of a granddaughter, Ella Rose Lindauer-Cohen.
- To the graduates of the Hebrew College Rabbinical school on their ordination.
- Ben Seicol, son of Rabbi Sam and Jenni Seicol, from Worcester Polytech.

- To all TBZ graduates!
- Navah Rosenbaum, daughter of Michael Rosenbaum and Julie Arnow, from Brandeis University
- Brett Sternfield, son of Barbara Sternfield from University of Rochester, with honors
- Lindsay Glaser, niece of Betsey Glaser received her Masters in Education from UMass Amherst
- Jonathan Stroh, son of Marilyn Paul and David Stroh from kindergarten
- Harry Alper, son of Roberta Isberg and Harry Alper from Washington University in St. Louis

ברוכים הבאים

Welcome to Our New Members!

Jonathan and Tamar Duke-Cohan

Monique Kahn

Matthew Lippman and Rachel Putterman

Tammy Mitchell

Nechama Abkowitz

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- Senior Outreach: Katie Britton

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- Family Table: Ilana Bikel
- Literacy Project: Kim Meyers

Yeladim

Katherine Gergen-Barnett

Koleinu

Enid Shulman

We at TBZ extend our heartiest congratulations to Leonel Monterroso. On April 21, he and approximately 400 other men and women from all over the world became Citizens of the United States. In attendance were both Reb Moshe and Rav Claudia as well as our Executive Director Bob Perlman. Our bilingual Office Manager, Jeralyn Ellowitz, was a gentle guide during Leo's early transition to TBZ.

Leo came to this country in April 2007 to study English, and in the fall will be studying at Harvard Extension School on a full scholarship. We are so proud to have him work with us and to watch his progress as he has integrated himself into his new country. We hope many of you at TBZ have been able to meet this unusual young man. Look for a fuller interview at a later date.



Co-Presidents' Message

**Fran Shtull Adams &
Jonathan Klein**

The Board of Directors of TBZ is a dedicated bunch who gather regularly to discuss, debate and dream all things TBZ. The Board is a decision-making body, which, after careful consideration, sets shul policy on everything from Kashrut to contracts, committee structure to dues structure, all the while maintaining the fiduciary soundness of the institution.

Last month we transitioned a new class into the board, and sadly said "shalom" to an outgoing group of board members. It is essential that we have a constant influx of fresh voices and perspectives to maintain the dynamic nature of TBZ. There is always a complex balance between maintaining an "institutional memory" with long serving members, and making space for the input of newer members with new ideas, ability and focus.

This year we transition a remarkable group of TBZ board members to continue their work in other venues of shul life. The outgoing board members include Priscilla Stein, who has probably impacted more individual members and their families than anyone else at TBZ. As chair of Hesed and in particular as Bereavement chair, Priscilla has quietly overseen the *shiva minyans* at countless homes. Always done with compassion, discretion and flexibility, Priscilla has tried to understand what exactly each family wants and needs in end-of-life situations, and then worked

to accomplish it. Priscilla's sweeping vision of what a Hesed committee could accomplish transformed the way we as a community care for each other in tangible ways, one *mitzvah* at a time. We await with eager anticipation the soon-to-be-released handbook "In Times of Need" which Priscilla has spent years drafting and perfecting. Her term on the board as a member, as Secretary and as a part of the Executive Committee, are deeply appreciated.

We say "shalom" to Marga Biller, who, in serving as VP, challenged us to hone our vision of the future, prioritize our goals, and then organized us into task forces to work toward bringing those goals to fruition. Thank you to Sheine Weisel, who was and will continue to be, an invaluable member of the Finance Committee, lending her sound professional experience and just plain good sense to crucial TBZ issues; to Ellen Kraus-Grosman who kept us ever sensitive to the special needs of young families; and to Jane Siegel, a former Vice President, who generously stepped up to fill a vacancy after a long hiatus.

Bobbi Isberg will be missed in particular for her insightful ability to direct us toward a mindfulness that helped ground our work in spiritual practice. We are grateful to Amy Schottenfels for taking on and completing the mammoth project of redesigning our website. "Shalom", too, to Lisa Lovett, whose energy, direct communication skills, and ability to cut through to the heart of an issue was an inspiration to all of us. It was Lisa's hand that so often was the first to go up when calling for volunteers to get a job done.

Even though we also say "shalom" to Lauren Garlick as a board member, we are incredibly fortunate that

Lauren's boundless talent and deep commitment to TBZ will continue to find expression in our community. Lauren has begun, along with Molly Silver, to serve as co-chair of the Synagogue Practices Committee, a group that manages the details of our weekly Shabbat service as well as High Holidays and every chag on the calendar. We are grateful for Lauren's past service on the board, and thrilled that she will continue to be an active leader at TBZ.

We use the word "shalom" quite deliberately as it means both good-bye and hello. There are so many ways besides sitting on the board to be active in TBZ and we are certain that all these former board members will continue to be treasured participants. And, of course, the flip side of "shalom" allows us to introduce the newest members of the board.

It is with great enthusiasm that we welcome the Class of 2014 to the TBZ Board of Directors:

Mona Strick

Amit Segal

Rachele Rosi-Kessel

Steve Lipman

We look forward to the unique contributions that each of these new members will bring to our deliberations. And, please remember, TBZ board meetings are always open to all TBZ members. We generally meet the first Sunday of the month, from 5-7 pm, and we would be most pleased to see you there.

B'shalom,

Fran Shtull Adams & Jonathan Klein
TBZ Co-Presidents



Condolences

- To Isaac Borenstein and Devorah Vestor on the death of Isaac's mother, Rebecca Borujin Borenstein
- To Sara Showstak on the death of her mother, Myra Showstak.

May their souls be bound up in the Bonds of Eternal life.

HaMakom yenakhem otam im shear avlei Tziyon vYrushalayim.

Message from Rav Claudia

Kavanah (Intentionality) for the Summer:

Those of you, who come on Friday night to TBZ for our Kabbalat Shabbat Service, know that we have a beautiful custom of going outside for the last stanza of *Lecha Dodi*. We walk together, to the stairs of TBZ, to welcome the Shabbat bride, as we say the words *Bo'i Kala, Bo'i Kala!* This comes from the tradition of facing the doors of the synagogue, which traditionally faced East, toward Jerusalem, as we welcome the *shekhinah*, the Indwelling Presence of the Divine. The *shekhinah* comes as a Shabbat bride to meet the people of Israel, under the canopy. This is also why it is traditional to wear white on Shabbat. On this day, we are all grooms and brides.

We walk to the streets to welcome the Shabbat, to bring Shabbat into our lives. My *kavanah* lately has been two-sided. I ask myself not only how can we bring Shabbat into our lives, but how can we bring Shabbat out to the world?

It has been a hard year for the world. So much brokenness, destruction and pain surround us. Both as a community and as individuals, we should ask what is our role, how do we bring Shabbat to the world? Shabbat is called "*Me'ein Olam Habah*", for Shabbat should resemble the World to Come. Our worship and community create



the opportunity for us to experience 25 hours of how we would like our lives and the world to be. Shabbat invites us to open our hearts to the possibility of hope and a better world. So, as we have walked out to the stairs at TBZ, I have invited us to think not only about how to bring Shabbat into our lives, but how to bring Shabbat to the world. How can we let the quality of Shabbat enter everything we do, the relationships we create and the different endeavors of our lives? How can we become more actively involved in creating the world to come, in this world?

As we begin to enjoy the beauty of long summer days, and some of us, hopefully, have a little bit more time and spaciousness to reflect on our lives and its rhythms, I want to encourage you to take this *kavanah* with you, every time you go for a walk or enjoy the beautiful weather on the beach. How can the beauty of the world inspire you, to bring more beauty to those places where there is pain and brokenness? How can you bring Shabbat into the world?

Enjoy your summer!

Rav Claudia



Hineh Ma Tov!

Shabbat Afternoon Meditation

July 30, 2011, 1:30 to 5:30 pm

Sanctuary of Temple Beth Zion

Sponsored by TBZ Adult Learning Committee and Nishmat Hayyim

Beginners and Experienced Meditators Welcome

Heschel described Shabbat as a "cathedral in time." Join us in silence and stillness to deepen this experience of Shabbat and reveal its hidden teachings. In the Kiddush we sing "*shavat vayinafash*," on the 7th day we "*stop and en-soul*." It is a day to practice "*menuchat hanefesh*," a tranquil and settled mind. Meditation nurtures both physical rest and spiritual restoration.

Bobbi Isberg and Yoheved Sheila Katz will lead sitting and walking meditation, including brief teachings, optional gentle yoga and mincha chant. There are chairs in the sanctuary and you are welcome to bring a cushion, bench, or yoga mat.

There will be instruction for people new to meditation at 1:15 pm.

No registration or fee is required. Donations to TBZ (checks to TBZ should state that this donation is for the Shabbat Meditation) or Nishmat Hayyim will be appreciated.

Please check email announcements from the Adult Learning Committee and the TBZ calendar for future Shabbat retreats.

For more information contact Bobbi:
isberg@comcast.net

"*Hineh ma tov u'ma nayim shevet achim gam yachad.*" (How good and skillful it is for brothers and sisters to sit together.)



Progress Report From the Leadership Task Force

By Evelyn Frankford

The Leadership Development Task Force was charged by the board with designing strategies to bring new people into committee and board leadership positions on a continuous basis.

The Task Force is starting from Reb Moshe's and Rav Claudia's charge:

- An immediate goal/vision is to celebrate TBZ's *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* transition from childhood to young adulthood
- One way to do that is by taking on the responsibility of ensuring TBZ's strength and stability for the next period of development

Starting in December of 2010, the Task Force has:

1. Interviewed other shuls, in Greater Boston and elsewhere, about their structures, leadership development strategies, and change processes in order to obtain knowledge that we could use
2. Convened seven shul-wide "coffees" that were attended by about 90 TBZ members to elicit people's desires about what they would like to see change

Among the findings from the coffees are:

- Desire for involvement but people don't know how to become stakeholders
- Desire for small groups and intimacy/connections
- Leadership structure not clear—structure of board needs transformation

Research from other shuls and organizational development literature tells us:

- Committees are the heart of a congregation (provide opportunities for involvement, to meet others and develop connections)
- Committees need technical assistance in continuous leadership development
- Boards should pinpoint responsibility and should focus on long-term strategy for the shul's continuing viability

Task Force members are now exploring what committees are needed, how they can involve people and promote new leadership, how committees relate to the Board, and what kind of overall leadership structure (i.e., Board) would be effective.

We heard you at the coffees...thank you for your views and knowledge...look for a response to the challenges you laid before us. Over the summer, Task Force sub-groups will develop a proposal to be presented to the community in early fall.



Save the Date: Barbecue & Barchu

Friday, August 12, 5:30 pm at Corey Hill Park (Rain Date: August 19)
Free and open to all.

The TBZ Membership Committee is preparing for our 4th Barbecue and Barchu to be held in Corey Hill Park at the top of the hill on which TBZ is perched. The park has grand views of Cambridge and Boston, and is a breath of fresh air during the dog days of August. And there is playground equipment for kids! Barbecue and Barchu is a wonderful opportunity to introduce people to TBZ, so please invite your non-TBZ friends.

The barbecue will start at 5:30 and will feature hot dogs. There will be a vegetarian option for non-meat eaters. If you wish to bring a parve or meat dish of your own, please feel free to do so.

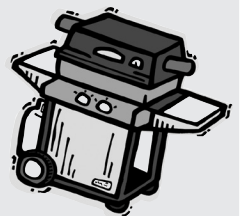
A Kabbalat Shabbat Service will start at about 6:15. We expect to finish by 7:00. This is a no cost event, and it is not a potluck.

Directions to the park will be provided, and for those who prefer not to walk or drive, a shuttle will be arranged to transport people to the park from in front of the TBZ Shul. Sufficient parking is available in the

neighborhood of the park. In case of rain, the event will be postponed until the next Friday, August 19.

We need Volunteers! We would like a large group of 'greeters' for the event, and there are lots of little chores that need attention. This is a fun community event to attend, and to work on!

So come and enjoy! Eat and daven, meet people, greet people, and talk with old, new and non-members of TBZ!



For more information, or to volunteer, contact

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Steve Lewis

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We Dig Israel!

by Ellen Krause-Grosman

During Chanukah our family traveled to Israel to attend my sister Carol's wedding. We were excited to make our first family trip to Israel and daunted by taking a 3 and 6 year old on such a long plane trip with a seven hour time change. We had a blast despite the truth of Ilana Margalit's statement that there are no vacations with young children only radical changes of venue and disruptions of routine. Seven years ago Michael and I got engaged at the Kotel. Michael strategically picked a manhole cover so that someday he would be able to show the kids exactly where he asked Mommy to marry him - they loved standing on it.

We spent our first shabbat at Moshav Avi Ezer, near Bet Shemesh, with our friends Shoshana, Andy and Gavriel. This was the first of many Chanukah parties where we got to know our friend's children and they got to know ours. Andy took us for a shabbat walk to a crusader look out—our first taste of history. In Jerusalem we stayed with friends who live right next to the *shuk* at Machane Yehuda, the big outdoor market. Every morning for our first week Michael would go out at 8:00 am to put some money in the parking meter and then wander off to find yummy treats—fresh pita, fresh pomegranates, even fresh gluten free bread, a staple for the rest of the family. We had no idea what fun Chanukah in Jerusalem would be with kids. It was school vacation so friends had time to host us for meals and join us at the zoo. The Israel museum was free for children and had crafts activities. One of our highlights was going on Dig for a Day, where we became archeologists in the caves of Beit Guvrein. You can see us with our pick axes digging up bones and old pottery (see below). Rachel, age 3, was an agile climber on our tour of the cave system where the Nabateans who lived there had their industry.

My sister Carol Grosman is the founder of JerusalemStories.org, using story telling as a peacemaking tool. Under the chuppah Carol and Moshe received blessings from Christians and Muslims as well as Jews. After the wedding the out of town family and friends were treated to a night hike at the Jerusalem bird observatory in Gan Sacher to

watch the endangered porcupines in their natural habitat. We sat quietly watching the porcupines wander about and could see them on video in their den. Gabriel and Rachel loved hiking with flashlights and learning about the importance of urban wild for birds and animals.

Our second week in Israel we drove south in a hundred year sand storm that made our few minutes at the dead sea rather unpleasant. We took the scorpion route to Kibbutz Sde Boker, going on old switch backs to keep things interesting during a low visibility drive. Our friend Dana gave us a full tour of the *kibbutz* including the only tape factory in Israel. Kids love tape and we had to extract them from the seconds bin. Then on through Mactesh Rimon, a huge and beautiful crater, to Kibbut Ketura where 20 years ago Michael took care of cows while on Young Judea year course with Amit Segal. We watched the evening milking after dinner and got an update on what technology had changed in 20 years. Having cute baby calves suck their fingers was a highlight for Gabriel and Rachel. Finally we spent a couple of nights in a nice hotel in Eilat with the newlyweds and the grandparents. Gabriel learned to snorkel. Rachel got a ride in a clear bottom canoe. We all enjoyed our visit to the underwater observatory where we watched a multitude of tropical fish. On the way north we managed a quick visit to Masada where we took the cable car up and down and still made it back Jerusalem in time for our 3rd and final shabbat. So much in Israel has changed since my first trip in 1982 with JFTY and since 1994 when I spent a year studying at the Pardes Institute. For Michael and I this was a most amazing trip because we got to see Israel anew through the eyes of our children. Since coming home Gabriel has worked hard on making his *resh* sound Israeli when speaking Hebrew in kindergarten at the Jewish Community Day School. Rachel's bedtime *shema* now goes "Hear O Israel, where I just visited . . . The trip was well worth the effort.



Would you like to tell us about your recent visit to Israel? Our Israel Committee is soliciting short accounts and hopes to print one in each issue of the Koleinu. Please email Gloria Pless if you are interested, at gjpless@verizon.net.





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	We all wish Rose a Rehfuah Shlaymah.			21	22 6:00 pm, Kabbalat Shabbat 	23 Parshat Matot 9:00 am, Torah Study 10:00 am, Shabbat Services
24 7:00 pm, Board Meeting				28	29 6:00 pm, Kabbalat Shabbat 	30 Parshat Masei 9:00 am, Torah Study 10:00 am, Shabbat Services 1:30 pm, Meditation Retreat
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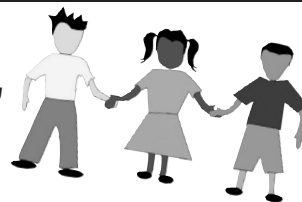
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Photos from the Yeladim End-of-Year celebration and saying goodbye to Jessica

Pinat Yeladim: Children's Corner

Katherine Gergen-Barnett
Chair, Yeladim Committee, katherine@aya.yale.edu



Beit Rabban

We have just completed a very successful year of *Beit Rabban*. 30 TBZ students, from Kindergarten to 7th grade, met every Wednesday afternoon from 4:30-6:00 pm at TBZ to learn Judaism & Hebrew. We want to thank our wonderful teachers:

Joanna Lubkin & Laura Held who taught *Ktantanim I* (K-1st grade); **Jaime Sorge** who worked with *Ktantanim II* (2nd -3rd grade); **Eliane Dreyfuss** who taught our *Tzeirim* (4th & 5th grade), and **Becky Wexler** who taught our *Bnei Mitzvah* class of 6th & 7th graders. We were also so fortunate to be assisted by two wonderful teen volunteer aides, **Maya Sinclair** and **Rachel Harris**. Thank you for your invaluable support!

We were also blessed to have a wonderful *Beit Rabban* coordinator, **Karin Zingerevitz**, who worked with the teachers to make *Beit Rabban* a place where learning was both meaningful and enjoyable. Karin will be moving this summer with her husband who just graduated

from Hebrew College, Rabbi Rogerio Cukierman, to Champaign-Urbana, where Rogerio will be the Executive Director of the Hillel of University of Illinois.

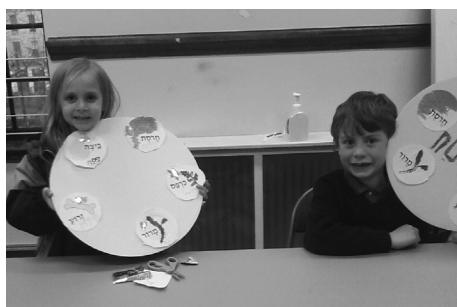
Laura, Joanna & Becky will continue teaching at TBZ next year and we wish the best Eliane, Jamie & Karin. We will miss you!

Beit Rabban classes for the 5772 (2011-2012) will begin on September 14. Details will be sent to the families that registered and we will introduce our incoming staff to you in the next *Koleinu*.

If you would like to learn more about *Beit Rabban* please check our 2010-2011 family handbook which includes our full curriculum at: <http://tbz.ahansendesign.com/wp-content/uploads/2010/12/FamilyHandbook-final.pdf>.

During the summer we will post the new handbook for 2011-2012 in the website.

Have a wonderful summer!



Beit Rabban Seder Plates

Next Year's Committee Structure

We want to thank all the amazing volunteers whose tireless commitment to all of our children made such a successful year of *Yeladim* programming at TBZ.

Special thanks to **Debbie Korn** and **Naomi Ribner** for chairing the Family Ed programs and to **Katherine Gergen-Barnett** for chairing the *Yeladim* committee.

So many of you should be thanked for contributions both big and small, we could not possibly name all of you. If you volunteered in any way this past year with *Yeladim* programs, we THANK YOU! It could not have happened without you.

We are working now to recruit more people to get involved. Spread the word!

This year we tried a new model. Instead of having an actual *Yeladim* Committee we had

different volunteers in charge of different tasks. The purpose? Simply to avoid "committee meetings". As we reflected on the past year and plan the next, we have decided to combine the two models: continue having specific tasks for volunteers who will be responsible of different programs, AND have a meeting every 6 to 8 weeks. This way all volunteers can get together, reflect on the programming, deal with the details, but mostly work on the larger vision for our *Yeladim* programming and the overall Jewish education of our children and our involvement at TBZ. In the next *Koleinu* we hope to announce a co-chair who will be joining Katherine in the task of shaping the new committee. If you would like to be involved in a specific task and/or the committee, please contact Rav Claudia (ravclaudia@tbzbrookline.org) and Katherine (katherine@aya.yale.edu).

Yeladim Services & Family Ed Programs

Kids love coming to TBZ! Our Yeladim Services with **Jessica Meyer** and **Becky Wexler** and our monthly Family Ed programs run by Jessica, Rav Claudia and Reb Moshe are both educational and a time where friendships are formed and good times are had. It was a full year; we celebrated, sang, and learned. The children continued to build relationships with each other and with the larger community.

We wish **Jessica Kate Meyer** all the best as she goes to Israel for her Rabbinical school program in Israel. We will miss her dearly. Jessica has been with us at TBZ for the last three years and has become a central person for many young TBZers who have learned with her every other week. She brought music, songs and fun to our worship as well as great story telling!

We are excited to welcome our new Tfilot Yeladim leaders who will begin in September. **Joanna Lubkin** will be working with the *Efrochim* & **Suzie Schwartz** will be with our *Ktantanim*. Becky will continue leading the Tfilot Yeladim for *Tzeirim* and *Bnei Mitzvah* and will co-lead the Family Ed programs with Reb Moshe and Rav Claudia.

We are planning a few changes next year, in response to feedback from parents.

- All Tfilot Yeladim will be held at the same time, 11:30am. This will make it easier for all children to attend their age appropriate Tfilah and for all to stay for Kiddush after services.
- We are also going to make some small changes in the ages of our groups. *Efrochim* will be for preschoolers and Kindergarten; *Ktantanim* for grades 1-4; and *Tzeirim* & *Bnei Mitzvah* will include grades 5 through 7.
- Our Family Ed program will continue to create fantastic Holiday celebrations, with the addition, this year, of some family *Tikkun Olam* projects. Stay tuned for more information.

Details about all programs of next year will be posted in the next *Koleinu* and on the website during the summer.

High Holiday Yeladim Update

There will be Yeladim Services for all ages and plenty of baby sitting for children 7 and under. Here is the schedule:

Babysitting:

Rosh Hashanah

Day 1, Thurs, Sept 29: 8:30 – 11:00 am; 11:30 – 2:30 pm

Day 2, Fri, Sept 20: 9:00 – 1:30 pm

Yom Kippur

Kol Nidre, Fri, Oct 7: 5:45 – 7:45 pm; 8:15 – 10:15 pm

Yom Kippur Day, Sat, Oct 8, 8:30 am – 7:00 pm

Tefillot (services):

First day of RH and YK day

10:00 – 11:00: preschool and K; 3rd floor

10:00 – 11:00: 1st – 4th grade: community room

11:30 – 12:30: 5th – 7th grade, community room

...all children will be joining together in the Sanctuary for the Shofar Service...

BBYO Teen Programs

It was a successful year at TBZ for our teens. Great programs led by BBYO Regional Director **Malki Karkowsky** and other fantastic BBYO leaders, helped us establish a committed group of young TBZers who are excited to be part of a Youth Movement. Some of our teens have joined BBYO and we look forward to continuing this partnership next year. Malki is moving to Cleveland, Ohio (with **Jamie**) to work at the Jewish Federation and we wish her *hatzlacha rabba!* **Casey Toppol**, the new Regional Director of BBYO, will continue working with us toward furthering our goal of beginning a BBYO Brookline Chapter at TBZ. Special thanks to all the parents who have been so supportive. We look forward to a successful year, creating programs for our Teens at TBZ and helping them to continue their connection to the Jewish people and Jewish values.



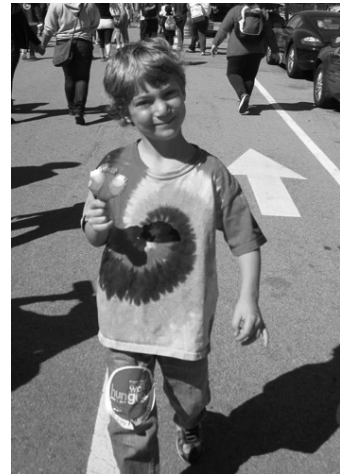
Walk for Hunger 2011

by Marilyn Paul

15 TBZers, adults and children, came together to join the 42,000 people who walked to raise money to alleviate hunger in Massachusetts. We raised more than double our goal of \$1,800!! What a great way for us to spend time together, walking, raising money and connecting with each other in ways that we hadn't before. David, Jonathan and I experienced great joy walking with the Krause-Grosman family, Mishy Lesser and Chris Ives, Bob Stickgold, Deborah and Adam Korn, Jeffrey Borenstein,

Barbara Sternfield, and Robert Kaim. We bumped into Mark and Yelena Dwortzan on the T and they joined us for yummy refreshments as we paused at TBZ to continue onwards. Congratulations to Mishy and Chris for walking the whole twenty miles. Thank you to all you TBZers who contributed to help us raise close to \$4,000.00. A special thank you to Mishy and Deborah Korn for contributing more than a third of what we raised through their efforts.

Please join us next year. Remember you don't have to walk all twenty miles to make a difference. We look forward to walking with you on May 6, 2012!



From the Adult Learning Committee...

by Reggie Silberberg, Chairperson

We wish everyone a delightful summer filled with great vacations, sweet Shabbats, and inspirational learning. If there is anything that you would like to study next year please send an email to me at regsilver@aol.com and we will see how we can make it happen.

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