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RABBI'S MESSAGE: NEW YEAR—NEW LIFE

As the High Holydays completed, an unusually large number of people mentioned to me how nice the services were, suggesting that among other things, the music had never been better. In addition to Howard Solomon's 24th year as volunteer cantorial soloist at Betenu and Rahel, we also had Frank Rudolph's violin performance of Kol Nidre and Pam Blotcky's spectacular descant on "yi-yu le-ra-tson (May the words of my mouth...)".

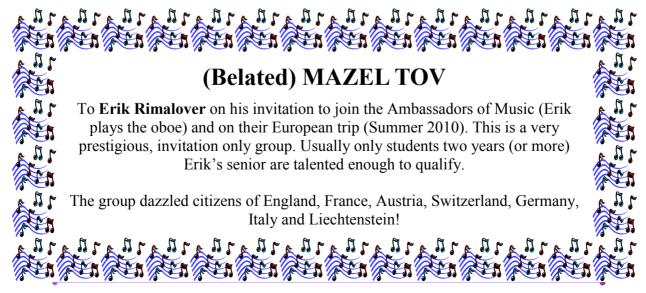
We are pleased to welcome some new families and saddened that a few moved on. Religious school started smoothly with an enrollment similar to what we had last year.

New Years are inherently new starts and new births and for no one was that more true than the McGuire-MacGregor families. Maureen had barely finished doing a pulpit reading at the evening service of Rosh Hashannah when she went into labor. On Tishri 1, 5771, at 4:03 AM, Alexandra Heather MacGregor was born. Congratulations to the MacGregor's and the McGuire grandparents.

As she started on a new year and a new life, we start on our new year, paraphrasing from the words of a Jewish naming ceremony, "May we choose a path of Torah and Mitsvot. Then shall we bring blessing to our people and to the entire world and affirm our Jewish values. Amen."

Le-sha-lom,

Joshua L. Segal, Rabbi



BETENU INFO

SPECIAL NOTE: Some members of Betenu are physically sensitive to certain aromas coming from perfumes, colognes, hairsprays the like. These aromas can cause migraines and a host of other problems. Please be aware of that when you come to Betenu.

Please **<u>DO NOT</u>** bring scented items for the SHARE donation bin.

Betenu has natural cleaning products available for use. Please **<u>DO NOT</u>** bring your own cleaning products for oneg or other cleanup.

Thank you!



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Don't forget to shop through Betenu's link to Amazon.com. Betenu will receive a percentage of the purchase price.

You can shop for books and a million other things through this link. Just go to our website: www.betenu.org, put your cursor over "Search new and used, Amazon.com", and when the cursor changes, click. Or you can enter your search right there and click "Go".

It's that simple! And don't forget to purchase your textbooks here!

We receive about \$20 a month from this program - Thank you & keep shopping!!!!

BETENU ACCEPTS MC, VISA & Discover!

You can use MasterCard, VISA or Discover card to pay membership fees, school tuition, gift store purchases, or even to make a donation! Call the office (or stop in) to arrange the charge and let us know the amount and what it's for.







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October 2010 (5771)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					7:30 pm Lay-led Service	2
3 9:15am Religious School #4	4	5	6	7	8 7:30 pm Rabbi-led Service Rosh Chodesh: Cheshvan	9 Rosh Chodesh: Cheshvan
9:15am Religious School #5	11 Columbus Day	12	13	14	15 7:30 pm Rabbi-led Service	16 6pm Havdallah / Food & Bingo event
9:15am Religious School #6	18 7:30pm General Board Mtg- all are invited	19	20	21	7:30 pm Lay-led Service	23 10:30am Family Shabbat #2
9:15am Religious School #7	25	26	27	28	29 7:30 pm Lay-led Service	30
9:15am Religious School #8						

November 2010 (5771)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Election Day	3	4	5 6:30 pm Rabbi-led Family Serv. 7:30 pm Rabbi-led First Friday	6
9:15am Religious School #9 Rosh Chodesh: Kislev	8 Rosh Chodesh: Kislev	9	10	11 Veterans Day	7:30 pm Pulpit Swap Service	13 7PM Rabbi's Havdallah & book event The Jewish Cemeteries of NH
9:15am Religious School #10 (end of 1st trimester)	7:30 Executive Board Mtg	16	17	18	7:30 pm Rabbi-led Service	20 10:30am Family Shabbat #3
9:15am Religious School #11 (beginning of 2nd trimester)	22	23	24	25 Thanksgiving	7:30 pm Lay-led Service	27
28 NO Religious School	29	30				

COMING UP AT BETENU



MEET THE MENS CLUB

Friday, October 8th, 7:30pm

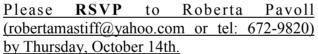
The oneg will be sponsored by the Southern New Hampshire Jewish Men's Club, where you can schmooze with some of the members. Got questions?

HAVDALLAH, BINGO & FOOD, OH MY!

Saturday, October 16th, 6pm



Come to Bingo Night! We start with a Havdallah service at 6:00pm (students get service credit as long as they attend the Havdallah service). Following the service will be sumptuous sandwiches and delicious desserts for a small fee (beverages included). Try your luck in our fabulous dessert raffle. Activities for ALL AGES.





GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Monday, October 18th, 7:30pm

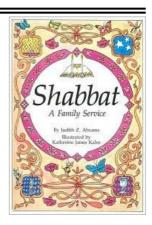
All are invited to attend the general board meetings which are even months (February, April...), usually the third Monday at 7:30pm. Talk to Mike Goldstein ahead of time if you are interested in putting something on the agenda.

Please feel free to talk to any board member (see page 2 for phone numbers). You may also leave a note in our suggestion box on the wall outside the office.

FAMILY SHABBAT

Saturday, October 23rd, 10:30am

Please join us for a FAMILY SHABBAT service led by Rahel. We will learn prayers, blessings, sing songs, tell stories, and dance! The service will be followed by a pot-luck lunch. Please bring a dish if you intend to stay for lunch. No pork or shellfish please. This new format replaces our Tot Shabbat service and is open to the entire family (all ages). Family services will take place monthly at Congregation Betenu. Religious school students can receive service credit for attending a family service.



COMING UP AT BETENU continued...

RABBI-LED FAMILY SERVICE

Friday, November 5th, **6:30pm**

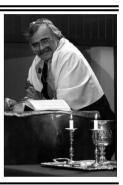
Great opportunity to join fellow students for a family kabbalat Shabbat service with Rabbi Segal! Don't forget to sign in for service credit.



RABBI-LED FIRST FRIDAY SERVICE

Friday, November 5th, 7:30pm

- family-friendly service followed by an
- **⋄** oneg followed by
- **⋄** Torah study with Rabbi.



ANNUAL PULPIT SWAP WITH GUEST RABBI SARAH RUBIN

Friday, November 12th, 7:30pm

See a different Rabbi in action without leaving "Our House"! Please come and welcome Rabbi Sarah Rubin from Keene to Betenu while enjoying a different perspective and a service that's a bit different from ours. Rabbi Segal will be at Etz Hayim in Derry.



RABBI SEGAL'S HAVDALLAH / BOOK SIGNING

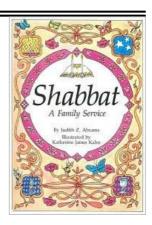
November 13th, 7pm

Please see next page for description. Note: students get service credit as long as they attend the Havdallah service and sign in.

FAMILY SHABBAT

November 20th, 10:30am

Please join us for a FAMILY SHABBAT service led by Rahel. We will learn prayers, blessings, sing songs, tell stories, and dance! The service will be followed by a pot-luck lunch. Please bring a dish if you intend to stay for lunch. No pork or shellfish please. This new format replaces our Tot Shabbat service and is open to the entire family (all ages). Family services will take place monthly at Congregation Betenu. Religious school students can receive service credit for attending a family service.

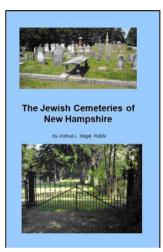


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RABBI SEGAL'S HAVDALLAH / BOOK SIGNING

"The Jewish History of NH as Seen through its Cemeteries" on November 13





On Saturday night, November 13 at 7PM, Congregation Betenu, Amherst, NH, there will be a talk and a book signing for Rabbi Segal's new book, "The Jewish Cemeteries of New Hampshire."

Rabbi Joshua Segal, says, "Given the small Jewish population of New Hampshire, I was surprised to discover 20-Jewish cemeteries in the state." The book provides a step-by-step procedure for a cemetery committee to make rules and regulations with examples of the disasters that can occur when they don't. For genealogists, the sources for cemetery data are listed. Issues such as cemetery maintenance, conservation and preservation are also addressed.

Rabbi Segal continued, "The book started off as an opportunity to inform those needing Jewish cemetery spaces in New Hampshire about their options, but it grew into a history of the Jews of New Hampshire." That history will be the major focus of the November 13th presentation.

For more information about this and all of Rabbi Segal's publications, check the web-site, http://CemeteryJewish.com>.

The program is free and will begin with a brief Havdallah Service. All are invited. For your planning purposes, the program should actually finish around 8:30PM. Autographed copies of Rabbi Segal's various publications will also be available for viewing and purchase.



BETENU PAGES



BETENU HIGH HOLYDAY THANKS

- David Stern for the complete building setup.
- Rahel Limor and Elissa Kahn for setting up the babysitting and Children's Service rooms.
- ⇒ David Stern and Rabbi Segal for changing light bulbs over the sanctuary.
- David Stern for putting up the handicapped parking sign.
- Everyone who helped setup for school in between Rosh HaShana and Yom Kippur.
- David Stern for the complete building resetup before Yom Kippur.
- ★ Rabbi Segal and Elissa Kahn for re-setting up the babysitting and Children's Service rooms before Yom Kippur.
- ⇒ Bob Rimalover, Joel Mascott, Elsa Conrad, Jay Segal, David Stern, Rahel Limor, and everyone who helped with teardown after Yom Kippur.
- ★ Liz Kolb for babysitting on Rosh HaShana and Yom Kippur.
- ★ Elsa Conrad and Diane Becker for leading the Rosh HaShana Children's Service.
- ★ Allison Leary, Davida Rubin-Baker, Izzy Starr, Sarah Goldstein & Rachel Liff for running the Children's Service on Yom Kippur.
- ★ Rahel Limor for her song leading with accompanying guitar.
- **★** Howard Solomon for his voice.
- ❖ Frank "Doc" Rudolph for his wonderful rendition of the Kol Nidre on his violin.
- **⇔** Pam Blotcky for singing Yihiyu Leratzon.

- ★ Larry Liberman & Vivian McGuire for greeting all at the door.
- ★ Roberta & John Pavoll: for the flowers adorning the bimah in memory of Roberta's parents, Murray & Lucille Cooper.
- ★ Matt Spokane & Erik Rimalover for being ushers.
- **★** Karen Satz & Elsa Conrad for giving out the readings and honors.
- **♦** All who had an alivah.
- **⋄** All who chanted Torah and Haftorah.
- **⋄** All who had an English reading.
- ★ Rahel Limor, Joel Silberberg and Elissa Kahn for the Greeting and Yizkor booklets.
- **♦** All who attended the Selichot service.
- Mike Goldstein, Roberta Pavoll, Sheryl Liberman, Vivian McGuire, Elsa Conrad, Dave Spokane, Joel Silberberg, and Peter Stein for hosting the Selichot oneg.
- Diane Becker & Roberta Pavoll for the challah on Rosh HaShana.
- ⇒ Board of Directors and Elsa Conrad for hosting the Rosh HaShana oneg.
- ⇒ Faith Episcopal Church for hosting the Break-the-fast.
- ★ Roberta Pavoll for getting oneg and building supplies.
- **⇔** Burt Janz for teaching us to blow shofar.
- ★ Walmart for letting us use their parking lot.
- All who should have been thanked but were inadvertently omitted.

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DONATIONS

Congregation Betenu acknowledges with appreciation the following contributions made during the month of September

General Fund

Maureen MacGregor In honor Of the birth of Alexandra Stephen & Donna Lenz-Dolman Thank you to Elissa Kahn

High Holy Day Appeal

Dr. Sanders & Rowena Burstein Shirley & Rich Cohen Elsa Conrad Jetta Darrow Craig & Marcella Dube Carol Franzblau & Frank Rudolph Elissa Kahn Frances Keefe Sheryl & Larry Liberman Stephen & Patrice Liff Ian Ouziel & Carolyn Haskell Maureen MacGregor Steven Mailman Andrew Prolman Kimberly & Robert Rimalover Barbara Rottenberg Stephen & Nancy Sagon David Spokane Dr. Peter & Mrs. Jeanne Stein Tasha Van Es Barbara Webber

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Harry & Carol Applebaum Alvin & Jeanette Popovsky In honor of birth of Grandchild

Chai Fund

David Spokane
In memory of Marvin Spokane



BETENU THANKS

- ⇒ September oneg hosts: all who contributed to the onegs (please see High Holyday thanks).
- **⋄** Dave Spokane for hosting an oneg in memory of his father, Marvin Spokane.
- **★** Everyone who helped by taking trash or recycling home.
- ⇒ Pam Blotcky for updating the Parent Handbook.
- **⇔** Burt Janz for teaching us to blow shofar.
- ⇒ Burt Janz for his Sunday School presentation and shofar lesson for the kids
- ★ Amy Jusczak for her volunteer time at Betenu.
- **⇔** Craig Parsons-Kerins for the pizza at the Sukkah Party.
- **♦** All who built the sukkah.
- **⇔** Bob Rimalover for researching and ordering the new office computer.
- **⋄** Greg Sokolowski for his help with software for the new computer.
- Louisa Sokolowski for delivery of software.

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Ian & Carolyn Ouziel and their son Brendan of Hollis, NH

Susan & Marc Rodil and their daughter Elisabeth of Mason, NH



YAHRZEITS FOR OCTOBER



Ida Teitelbaum	mother of Reva Wunderlich	October
Max Symbol	grandfather of Lynda Schaeffer	
Frieda Symbol	grandmother of Lynda Schaeffer	October
Irving Litt	father of Lisa Orenberg	October
Robert Cubie MacAuslan		October 3
Oscar Levinson	step-grandfather of Paula Silver	October 17
Samuel Schuldwach	grandfather of Lenny Wasserman	October 20
Donna Cohen	sister of Diana Stern	October 22
Marshall David Levin		October 22
Robert Gustav Fries		October 27

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS Emily Anderson Corey Ditman Sydney Rice Ariella Stein Micah Baker Jacob Keefe Erik Rimalover Katie Stein David Schechter Josh Stern

ADULT EDUCATION

HEBREW LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION, TORAH STUDY AND MORE

Bar / Bat Mitzvah... not the end of the road! There's Torah study with the Rabbi, Hebrew language instruction with Rahel, Kabbalah Havruta with Eitan Zeira, and plenty of other learning opportunities throughout the year. Maybe you have an idea, or would even like to teach a class. If so, contact the office 886-1633 or Betenu@nii.net.

Quench your thirst — jump into the well of Judaic studies.



(Rahel's classes are offered at a discount to Betenu members.)



ROSH CHODESH FOR WOMEN

Join the Rosh Chodesh group for a short service, group discussion and nosh. For more information contact Sheryl Liberman 424-4609 or SAML54@comcast.net.

KABBALAH GROUP

Saturdays at 12:30pm—about once every 3 weeks

Congregation Betenu and Temple Beth Abraham have a Kabbalah group. The suggested book is <u>Inner Space</u> by Kaplan. For more information contact Sheryl Liberman 424-4609 or <u>SAML54@comcast.net</u>.

Video of Sh'ma Meditation by Rabbi Aryeh Kaplan: www.youtube.com/watch?v=x9bwEFS7Btk&feature=related



EDUCATION

Sunday Religious School Personnel:

VP Education: Sheryl Liberman Principal: Rahel Limor

Hebrew / Continuing Hebrew: Sonia Campeanu Hebrew Assistant: Nina Matovka

Hebrew & Jewish Studies: Sandra Whitman Madricha: Rachel Liff



ACCEPTING STUDENTS REGULAR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL / POST HEBREW SCHOOL

Registration is ongoing for 2010-11 for our weekly Sunday classes for Grades 1-7 and our Rabbi-taught post Bnei Mitzvah classes for Grades 8 & 9. For questions or to get a registration form please call the temple office at 886-1633 or contact Rahel at rahel@rahelmusic.com.

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ONEG SHABBATS

To host an Oneg, one brings the food, drinks, and challah, and sets up and cleans up.

To sponsor an Oneg, one pays \$54 and the Oneg committee will purchase the food, set up and clean up. Either way you do it, you can honor a birthday, an anniversary, or any other special event in your life, by choosing the Oneg closest to that special date. Or you can remember the Yahrzeit of a loved one by hosting or sponsoring the Oneg on the Shabbat when you come to say Kaddish. If you have a date in mind, please call Roberta Pavoll at 672-9820.

The following Onegs will be hosted by:

October 1: Open

October 8: Southern New Hampshire Jewish Men's Club

(Meet a representative of the Men's Club)

October 15: Becker & Goldstein families

October 22: Open October 29: Open



Won't you please choose an Oneg date and help foster the sense of community at Betenu? Thank you.

BETENU BITS

ROSH HASHANAH BABY!!! MAZEL TOV

Maureen & Ian MacGregor on the birth of their daughter Alexandra Heather MacGregor.

Born 4:03 am Rosh HaShanah morning, weighing 8 lb 6 oz and measuring 20.75 inches long.

And mazel tov to Nathan who now has a sister!





BETENU BITS

MAZEL TOV ROBERTA PAVOLL



GEM OF JERSEY'S REUBEN ON RYE EARNS HIS POINTS AND BECOMES CHAMPION!



SUKKAH BUILDING PIZZA PARTY 5771 Great job everyone!

DIANE BECKER TEACHES THE KIDS HOW TO MAKE CHALLAH...and was it good!!!











SHOFAR CLASS IN SCHOOL ...HERE ARE THE FUTURE BAALEI TEKIYAH











BURT WAKES **EVERY-ONE UP** WITH A TEKIAH-**GADOLA**



SIMCHAT TORAH—TORAH TOUR 5771





COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

FOOD NEEDED!

The food pantries are in desperate need this year. Any donation would be appreciated. You may bring a food item directly to SHARE or the Nashua Soup Kitchen. If it is nonperishable, you may drop it off at Betenu (no scented products please) and we will deliver it to SHARE. Wish lists: www.sharenh.org/food.html and www.nsks.org/CurrentWishList.asp

OTHER ITEMS

For a list of other items needed please see:

www.sharenh.org or 603-673-3660: seasonal clothes and new socks and underwear www.nsks.org/CurrentWishList.asp Questions? Call Carol at 889-7770 ext 21

INFO FROM SNHJMC

Southern NH Jewish Mens Club

Membership form: http://snhjmc.home.comcast.net/~snhjmc/resources/SNHJMCForm.pdf





Voice of ISrael Initiative of New Hampshire

Check the website for the next VISION MEETING and other important information. Meetings will be held on Wednesdays and Thursdays this year! All friends of Israel are welcome.

Check out www.nh4israel.org for more upcoming events, articles and more...