



BETENU JUNE/JULY 2012 NEWSLETTER

Rabbi's Message: June 2012 – *Si-van* 5772

Volume: 29; No. 7 Subject: Vacation!

As school comes to an end, the students are always happy. What many of the kids don't realize, is that those of us on the "teaching side" are as happy if not happier. Everybody needs a break.

Many of you already know that Karen and I are downsizing and toward that goal, one has to go through files and papers and books. We will have lived in this our Scott Avenue home for almost 19 years. It is amazing how much stuff we have accumulated. So many items are private memories that have no value to anyone. While going over papers, I went through my memorabilia from the two years I spent in Williamson, WV as a student Rabbi from 1981-3.

Student pulpits at the time were monthly, tri-weekly or bi-weekly (plus High Holydays). Williamson was a tri-weekly, nominally, 12 visits per year. As I finished my sermon on my final visit of 1982, I turned over the pulpit to the president for announcements. I remember him saying, "Not much to announce other than 'school's out for the summer!'"

There are lay led services over the summer, board meetings and planning for the fall. The values of Judaism never take a vacation, but the formal institutions of Judaism go into estivation.

So as we transition into summer, I reprise those words from Williamson, "Not much to announce other than 'school's out for the summer!'"

Le-sha-lom, Joshua L. Segal, Rabbi

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

Please **DO NOT** bring scented items for the SHARE donation bin.

Betenu has natural cleaning products available for use.

Please **DO NOT** bring your own cleaning products for oneg or other cleanup.

Thank you!



AND FOR ONLINE SHOPPING, TEXTBOOKS AND A MILLION OTHER THINGS...

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 NOW 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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Volunteer at Betenu!

If you have a passion, a talent or a skill, this is a good time of year to start lending a hand at Betenu.

It's a highly rewarding experience.
It takes a village!

Please contact the [office](#) if you can help.

Existing committees include:

Budget & Finance, Membership, Education, Religious Practices, BYG: Betenu Youth Group & Youth Activities, Publicity Long-range planning, Planning Activities, Newsletter, Building & Grounds, Fundraising, Oneg Shabbat, and Sunshine Committee: Help visit and tend to the ill, needy or just to be a friend in need, Traveling Shabbat: Conduct a home service for the home-bound.



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Discover New Games
Bubbles IQ
680,000 people play this.
Play Now

Sponsored See All
7 Tips For a Flat Belly
loseifatbellynow.com
Unusual tips to lose body fat, surprising healthy fat-burning foods, and weird workouts to look and feel great.

Kohl's Cares@!
Now is the time to nominate great volunteers, ages 6 to 18. Top winners receive \$10,000 each. Nominate through March 15. Nominate now.

Chobani
Visit Chobani on Facebook for a chance to win a year's supply of Chobani.

Like · Judy Zaft Matulsky likes this.

Be a Social Worker in 1YR
degreelink.org
Be a Social Worker in Massachusetts! Request info to see if you qualify for financial aid to finish your degree in as little as 1YR.

Women for Obama
my.barackobama.com
Women: Together we can move America forward for

Wall Congregation Betenu · Everyone (Top Posts)

Share: Post Link

Write something...

Congregation Betenu
Shoah Seminar #4 tonight at 7 PM sharp. Last week's discussion about the Judenräte was interesting, disturbing and thought-provoking.
Like · Comment · Share · February 2 at 10:26am

Rahel Limor likes this.
1 share

Write a comment...

Congregation Betenu
Shoah Seminar again this Thursday, 7-8:30 PM @ Betenu. Please do not be late. No food or beverages allowed.
Like · Comment · Share · January 17 at 11:43am

Congregation Betenu
Chanukkah 2011

BETENU INFO

Hospital Visits: Please keep us informed!

Due to national privacy laws, hospitals are not allowed to call congregations to inform them that their members have been admitted as patients. If you know you are going to be in the hospital or unexpectedly find yourself in the hospital, please tell a nurse that you would like to see the hospital chaplain, who can call the Temple to let us know that you are there if you would enjoy support and comfort from our Congregation Betenu community.

DEADLINE for the **August** Newsletter is
July 20th 2012 Please send articles and information to
email betenu@nii.net.



JUNE
Gavin Belesca

JULY
Kadyn Belesca Alexa Leary
Rachel Lessard Mark Liff



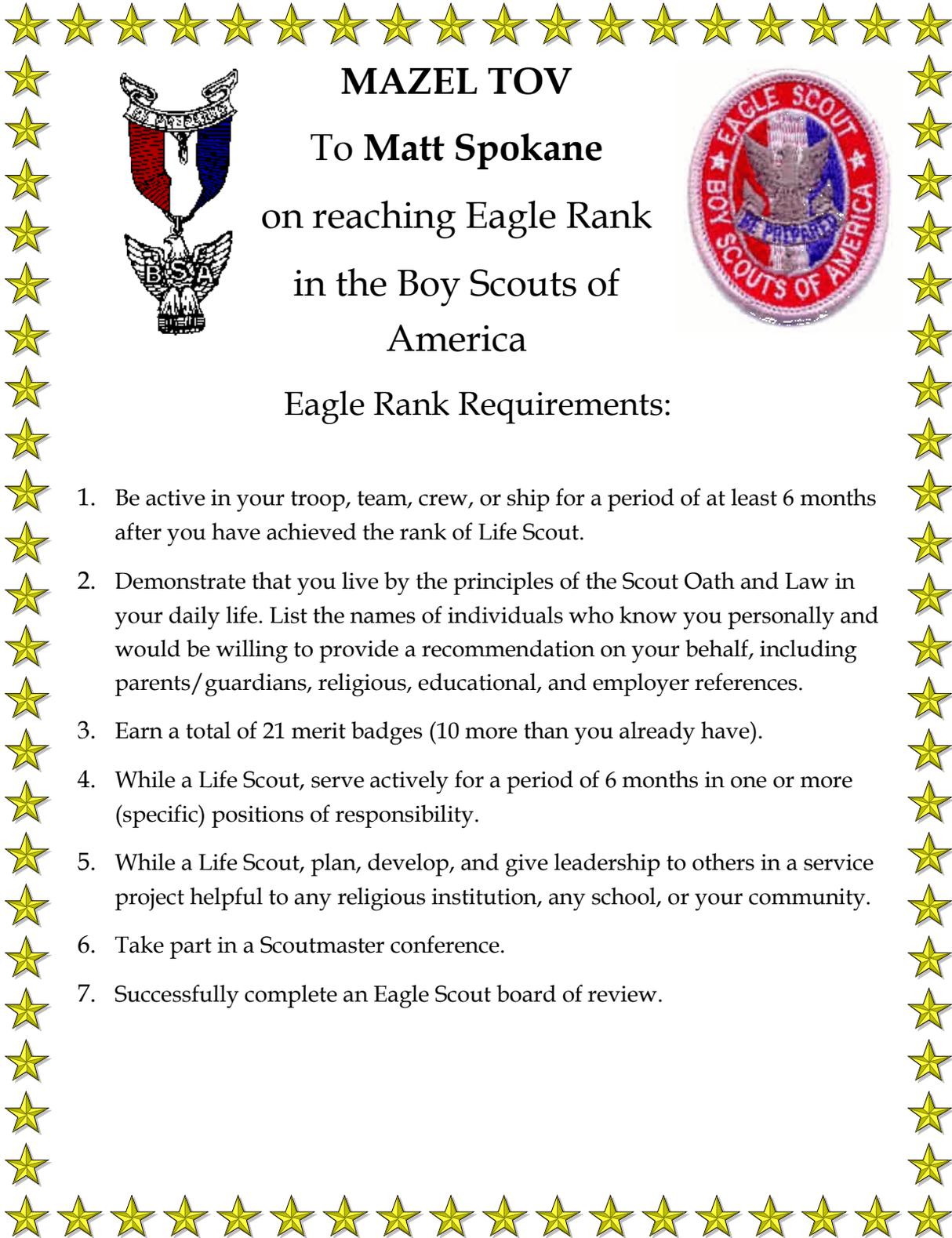
June 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8 7:30pm Rabbi-led Service	9 Beha'alote cha
10	11 General Board Meeting 7:30. pm	12	13	14	15 7:30pm Rabbi-led Service	16 Shelach Lecha
17	18	19	20 Rosh Chodesh: Tammuz	21 Rosh Chodesh: Tammuz	22 7:30pm Lay-led Service	23 Korach
24	25	26	27	28	29 7:30pm Lay-led Service	30 Chukat



July 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6 7:30pm Lay-led Service	7 Balak
8	9	10	11	12	13 7:30pm Lay-led Service	14 Pinchas
15	16	17	18	19	20 7:30pm Lay-led Service Rosh Chodesh:	21 Matot / Masei
22	23	24	25	26	27 7:30pm Lay-led Service	28 Devarim (Chazon)
29 Tisha B'Av	30	31				



MAZEL TOV
To Matt Spokane
on reaching Eagle Rank
in the Boy Scouts of
America



Eagle Rank Requirements:

1. Be active in your troop, team, crew, or ship for a period of at least 6 months after you have achieved the rank of Life Scout.
2. Demonstrate that you live by the principles of the Scout Oath and Law in your daily life. List the names of individuals who know you personally and would be willing to provide a recommendation on your behalf, including parents/guardians, religious, educational, and employer references.
3. Earn a total of 21 merit badges (10 more than you already have).
4. While a Life Scout, serve actively for a period of 6 months in one or more (specific) positions of responsibility.
5. While a Life Scout, plan, develop, and give leadership to others in a service project helpful to any religious institution, any school, or your community.
6. Take part in a Scoutmaster conference.
7. Successfully complete an Eagle Scout board of review.

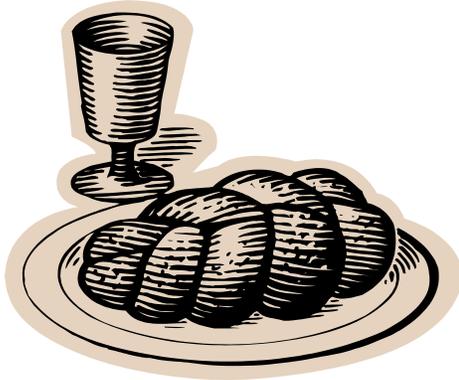
General Board Meeting

June 11th 2012 7:30 pm

All are invited to attend any general board meetings.

ONEG SHABBATS

****WE NEED ONEG SPONSORS****



To host an Oneg, one brings the desserts, fruit, 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.

MONEY



MATTERS

There are hundreds of reasons to make a donation to
Congregation Betenu

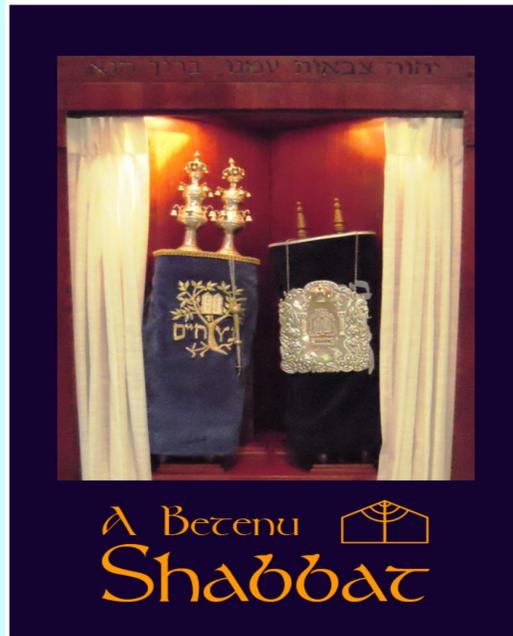
Please donate TODAY ...

SCHOOL TZEDAKAH—

The school will be making it's Tzedakah donation this year to :

1. ISREAL—Friends of the Isreal Defense Forces (FIDF)
2. USA— The National Museum of American Jewish Military History.





Betenu has produced two CD's for the benefit of members of Congregation Betenu and the community at large. These CD's give members a taste of the special qualities that characterize our congregation's worship services. These CD's feature cantorial soloists Rahel, Howard Solomon, Doug Hirsch and Pam Blotcky.

They were engineered and produced professionally at Jim McClure's Betsy's Folly studio in Lyndeboro and feature the songs and prayers of the Erev Shabbat and Shabbat morning services. Listen to become familiar with our worship repertoire or simply to add to your collection of Jewish songs!

They make a perfect gift for extended Jewish family members and friends, and are particularly useful for students!

These CD's can be purchased at Betenu for a donation of \$18 each. Contact the office: betenu@nii.net and (603) 886-1633

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.)

KABBALAH GROUP

Saturdays at 12:30pm—about once every 3-4 weeks

Next date: June 23rd at Betenu, 12:45pm

Congregation Betenu and Temple Beth Abraham have a Kabbalah group. We will be starting a new book. For more information contact Sheryl Liberman 424-4609 or SAML54@comcast.net.

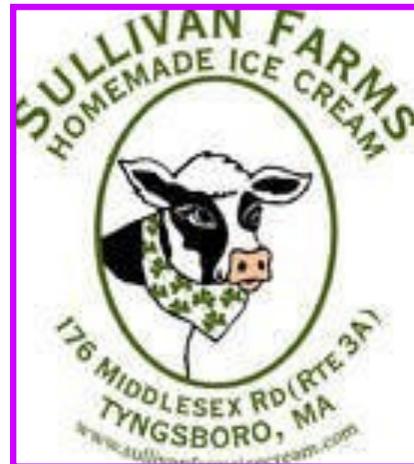
Video of Sh'ma Meditation by Rabbi Aryeh Kaplan:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=x9bwEFS7Btk&feature=related

Thank You!

Congregation Betenu acknowledges with appreciation

**“Sullivan Farms”
for the Ice cream
generously donated
for the Congregation
Betenu
Annual Meeting.**



Thank You!

Amy Jusczak

**All her assistance with the classrooms
and BYG children.**

Congrats.....

**Elsa as President elect ~ Steve Blotcky
and Susan Rodil as Executive Trustees elects.**

Thank You!

Ore Ayah Dagan

Richard Brown

Miriam Brown

Rahel Limor

for their participation
and contributions to the
Tikkun Leil Shavuot late night
study sessions.

Thank You!

Teachers Luncheon support

Thank you to all who helped set up and clean up... Greatly appreciated.

Thank you

**Rabbi for arranging Ice cream
for the Annual meeting**

And

**Everyone who brought fixings for the
Ice cream sundaes**

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Thank You!

Joel & Elaine Silberberg

For their generous donations of the beautiful student siddurim. The students have been using them all year and enjoy them very much!





June Yahrzeit List



Harry Fox.....uncle of Sheryl Liberman	June
Maria Montesmother of Carola Goodman	June 1
Shirley O'Malleyaunt of Pam Blotcky	June 4
Abraham Fishergrandfather of Karen Satz	June
Louis Paonessagrandfather of Elissa Kahn	June 5
Marie Louise Fish (Heckler)great-aunt of Elissa Kahn	June 6
Harry Groden.....grandfather of Karen Satz	June 11
Hyman Rosenthalgrandfather ofElyse Wasserman	June 11
David Friedland.....uncle of Steve Blotcky	June 11
Schmuel Tobi.....father of Ariel Tobi Brother-in-law-Rahel Limor	June 12
Lucille Coopermother of Roberta Pavoll	June 14
Harold Rosenblumegrandfather of Paula Silver	June 15
Martha Gross Williger ..	June 15
Raphael Bluder.....father-in-law of Bety Dar	June 17
Max Hoffmanfather of Ellen Hoffman	June 22
Rose Lillian Lernermother of Arnold Lerner	June 23
Don Jopling.....father of Ariella Marget	June 24
Rose Lillian Lernermother of Arnold Lerner	June 25



July Yahrzeit List



Richard Ehrlich	son of Marilyn & Abe Erlich	July
Philip Wasserman	grandfather of Lenny Wasserman.....	July 3
Frederick Cohen	father of Diana Stern	July 4
Arnold Satz	father of Karen Satz	July 5
Betty Hirsch.....	mother of Doug Hirsch	July 5
Sumner Fierman	father of Barbara Bailey & Elaine Schwartz.....	July 8
Harriet Murphy	mother of Dan Murphy	July 8
Beverly Chapman	mother to Deb Starin, wife of Mark Starin.....	July 13
William Goodman.....	father of Hannah Belesca	July 14
Esther Leichter	grandmother of Allan Kabel	July 14
Michael Schwartz	brother of Bob Schwartz	July 14
William Thompson.....	grandfather of Hannah & Daniel Thompson	July 16
Sidney Kabel	uncle of Allan Kabel	July 17
Earl Murphy	father of Dan Murphy	July 19
Evelyn Noyovitz.....	mother of Paul Noyovitz	July 19
Brad Robeck	brother of Amy Juszczak	July 19
Joseph Lerner	father of Arnold Lerner.....	July 20
Susan Bernstein Robeck.....	mother of Amy Juszczak.....	July 21
Mildred A. Cohen.....	mother of Rich Cohen	July 24
Diantha Perry Gross.....	July 25
Michael Goldhaber.....	cousin of Sheryl Liberman.....	July 26, 2010
Phyllis Joy Meyer Stein.....	mother of Peter & Michael Stein.....	July 28
Elizabeth Paonessa	grandmother of Elissa Kahn.....	July 29

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

AS always – 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.nsk.org/CurrentWishList.asp

OTHER ITEMS

For a list of other items needed please see:

www.sharenh.org or 603-673-3660: seasonal clothes, new socks etc.

www.nsk.org/CurrentWishList.asp Questions? Call Carol at 889-7770 ext 21



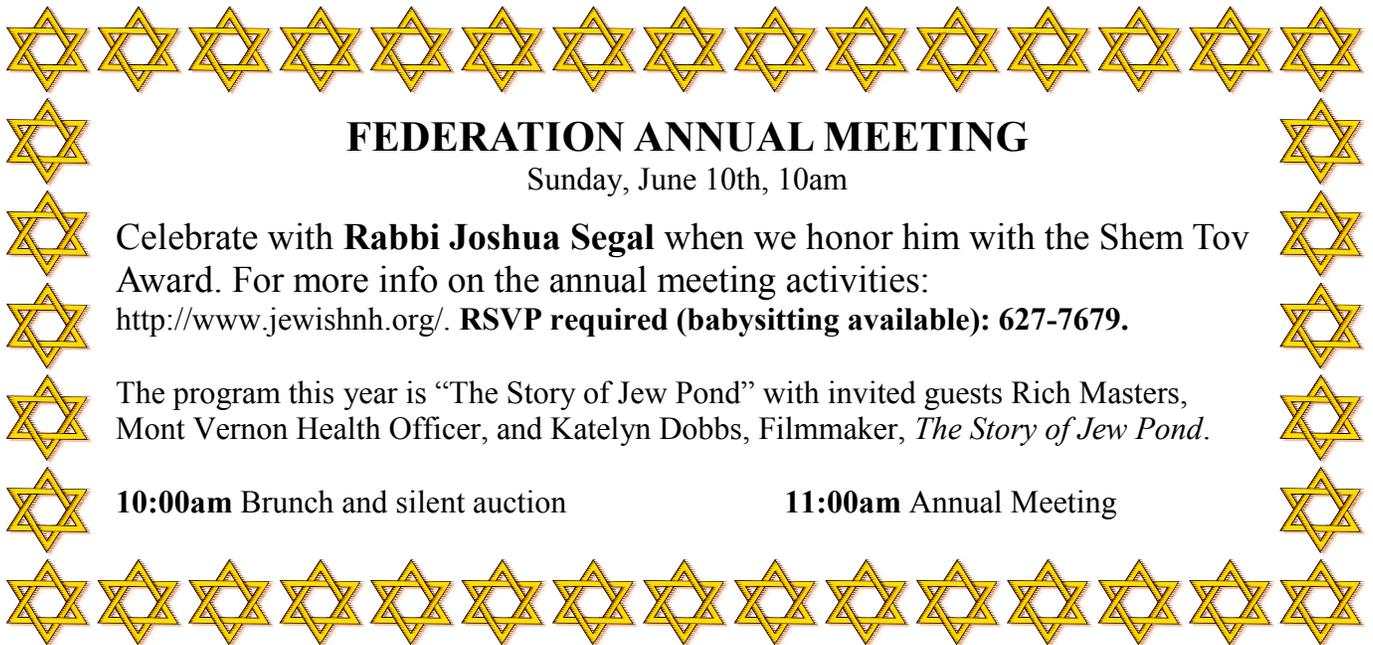
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Geoffrey Sokolowski, who graduated from George Washington University.



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Matt Savage, who graduated from Berklee College of Music. Please see the article at Boston.com.



FEDERATION ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, June 10th, 10am

Celebrate with **Rabbi Joshua Segal** when we honor him with the Shem Tov Award. For more info on the annual meeting activities:
<http://www.jewishnh.org/>. **RSVP required (babysitting available): 627-7679.**

The program this year is “The Story of Jew Pond” with invited guests Rich Masters, Mont Vernon Health Officer, and Katelyn Dobbs, Filmmaker, *The Story of Jew Pond*.

10:00am Brunch and silent auction

11:00am Annual Meeting

IT'S Registration time 2012-2013 (5773)

For Sunday Religious School

Sunday Religious School Personnel

VP Education: Sheryl Liberman Principal: Rahel Limor
Hebrew: Sonia Campeanu Jewish Studies: Sandra Whitman
Asst. Hebrew Teacher: Nina Matovka Madricha: Rachel Liff

ACCEPTING STUDENTS

SUNDAY RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Registration begins now for 2011-12 weekly Sunday classes for Grades K-7. For questions or to get a registration form please call the temple office at 886-1633 or contact Rahel at rahel@rahelmusic.com.



Teacher Appreciation and Last Day School Event



COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

We hope to have a nice crowd at the JFNH Annual Meeting to honor your Shem Tov winner(s).

Please help spread the word and encourage your congregation to attend.



JEWISH FEDERATION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

A DAY OF HONOR

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, June 10

Program:

THE STORY OF JEW POND

Invited Guests:

RICH MASTERS,
Mont Vernon Health Officer

KATELYN DOBBS,
Filmmaker, "The Story of Jew Pond"

Both Masters and Dobbs will be honored at the meeting for their work on this important issue

10:00 AM
BRUNCH & SILENT AUCTION
Proceeds to benefit PJ Library and the JFNH Camp Grant program

11:00 AM
ANNUAL MEETING
\$5.00 SUGGESTED DONATION

YOUNG ADULT LEADERSHIP AWARD

SHEM TOV AWARDS

SPECIAL COMMUNITY AWARDS

EMPLOYEE SERVICE RECOGNITION

INSTALLATION OF THE JFNH BOARD

 **Jewish Federation OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**
698 Beech Street
Manchester, NH

RSVP required before Monday, June 4
to 627-7679 or info@jewishnh.org.

Babysitting available, contact us for more information.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Our Rahel Limor

will be performing around the area this summer—Check for where and when via her calendar link: <http://www.vintagegoldmuse.com>



JEWISH PRIDE (BASEBALL) NIGHT

July 19, 2012

Fisher Cats vs Portland Sea Dogs

At Northeast Delta Dental Stadium

(kosher food, fireworks, fun and klezmer band included!)

Call Josh Hubbard at 603-641-2005 to purchase your tickets