

RABBI'S MESSAGE: THE PIG?

There are many animals that are deemed unkosher, which are used in the Jewish world. Turtle shell and ivory are used as Torah decorations; mother-of-pearl for inlay – even the traditional "blue thread" mentioned in the ancient tallit came from a mollusk. But in Jewish world, the pig is shunned universally.

Some domesticated animals provide labor. Others provide milk. Why is the pig such a problem in the Jewish tradition? One midrashic answer given is that while every part of the pig, from its snout to its tail can be used, none of it can be used while it is living.

From a Jewish perspective, we are taught that our lives are everything and our eternity comes from the mits-vot we do during our lives, how we share our lives with our fellow humans and how we make the world a better place for those who follow us.

Another midrash tells of an old man planting a tree. A passerby asked him, "Why are you bothering? You won't be alive when this tree actually begins to produce fruit?" The old man replied, "I do it, because someone in a previous generation did so for me."

We truly stand on the shoulders of giants. How many of the things we use regularly were produced by those who are no longer alive? Yet the work of their lives continues to sustain us. How many of the ideas and watchwords by which we live were first thought by those who shared them with us a century or even millennia ago? It is the work of their lives – not their death that makes them eternal. Unlike the pig, in living our lives our salvation or value is measured day-to-day and year-to-year.

As we come to E-lul and start contemplating 5772, remember what came before us and find ways to build our future and the future of those who will come after us.

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, 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 oneq 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](https://www.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!!!!

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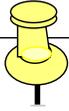
August 2011 (5771)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Rosh Chodesh: Av	2	3	4	5 7:30pm Rabbi-led Service / Torah Study on Eicha - Lamentations	6 <i>Devarim</i>
7 3pm Cathedral of the Pines Annual Jewish Service	8 7 pm Presentation on Hevron by Sonia— Bnei Mitzvah and up	9 Tisha B'Av	10	11	12 7:30pm Lay-led Service	13 <i>Va'etchanan</i> 12:30pm Kabbalah at TBA
14 4:30 pm Tu B'Av Family Service, Pizza and movie with Rahel	15 7:30pm General Board Mtg Tu B'Av	16	17	18	19 7:30pm Meet the Rabbi Service	20 <i>Ekev</i>
21 Stand with Israel Week	22 Stand with Israel Week	23 Stand with Israel Week	24 VISION 5-8pm Israel Rally Stand with Israel Week	25 Stand with Israel Week	26 7:30pm Lay- led Service / Israel Video / Israeli oneg Stand with Israel Week	27 <i>Re'eh</i> Stand with Israel Week
28	29	30 Rosh Chodesh: Elul	31 Rosh Chodesh: Elul			



September 2011 (5771-72)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 7:30pm Rabbi-led Service	3 <i>Shoftim</i>
4	5	6	7	8	9 7:30pm Rabbi-led Service	10 <i>Ki Tetze</i>
11 9:15am Religious School #1	12	13	14	15	16 7:30pm Rabbi-led Service	17 <i>Ki Tavo</i> 12:30pm Kabbalah At Betenu
18 9:15am Religious School #2 & Parent Meeting	19 7:30 Executive Board Mtg	20	21	22	23 7:30pm Rabbi-led Service	24 <i>Nitzavim</i> <i>-Vayelech</i> 8 pm Selichot Service at TAY Selichot
25 9:15am Religious School #3	26	27	28 7:30 pm Rosh HaShannah Service Erev Rosh HaShannah	29 10:30 am Rosh HaShannah Service Rosh HaShannah	30 7:30pm Rabbi-led Shabbat Shuvah Service Rosh HaShannah	



TO DO LIST

- **Register K-7 age kids in Religious School (page 7)**
- **Contact Rahel if interested in learning High Holydays music (page 7)**
- **Contact Terry or Carolyn Strout if interested in a sign wave (page 25)**
- **Drop us a line if you can help with pre-High Holy Days work (page 8)**
- **Let us know if you need extra High Holy Days tickets (page 8)**
- **Contact Karen if you would like an Aliyah (page 8)**
- **Contact Elsa for an English reading (page 8)**
- **Bid in the silent auction for Mike's parking space (page 8)**
- **Contact us to put a greeting in the High Holy Days Greeting booklet (page 9)**
- **Send us your Yizkor listings (you will get an email reminder if you had listings last year) (page 10)**
- **Buy honey / candles for Rosh HaShannah (page 11)**
- **Join in activities and tell your friends about our Betenu community!**

TO DO ITEMS

BETENU RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

PLEASE REGISTER NOW

School starts Sunday, September 11

School starts September 11th, but we need to plan now, so please register your child (grades K-7).

We've added Kindergarten for children 4 1/2—5 years old, which is free with synagogue membership.

We boast a warm and caring, creative and qualified staff. Our students don't want to go home!

If you have any questions please contact Rahel Limor, Principal
rahel@rahelmusic.com or betenu@betenu.org, 603-886-1633



SPIRIT SING

Do you want to learn High Holy Days liturgy in song?
Contact Rahel at rahelmusic1@yahoo.com. If we have
enough interest, Rahel will set a date / time and it will be
announced.

VOLUNTEER to organize or participate in a sign / flag / poster
wave—see the **STAND WITH ISRAEL WEEK** section.

PRE-HIGH HOLY DAY HELP NEEDED

Hi Everyone,

We will need help with mailings, putting the booklets together, etc. If we can put you on the help list, we'll contact you when help is needed and see if you are available.

Elissa Kahn eckahn@yahoo.com or 673-8283

Betenu office: Betenu@betenu.org or 886-1633

HIGH HOLY DAY INFORMATION

HIGH HOLY DAY TICKETS

Tickets are required for all High Holy Day services at Betenu. All members in good standing will receive their tickets in the mail free-of-charge. We will continue to provide tickets at no cost to military personnel and students. Non-members may call the temple office at 886-1633 to order tickets in advance. Any non-member who purchases tickets for the High Holy Days and then chooses to join the temple by December 2011, will receive full credit of the purchase price of the ticket towards the membership dues. The cost per adult ticket is \$175.

ALIYOT

If you would like to read Torah or Haftorah on the High Holidays OR to recite the blessings before the Torah is read, please contact Karen Satz at karensatz@gmail.com or 617-285-4082. It is an honor and a wonderful experience, and we will help you and give you lots of support.

ENGLISH READINGS

Part of what makes the High Holydays at Betenu so special is the participation of our members. Please become a reader for one of our services. Readings available for all services; knowledge of Hebrew is not necessary. To volunteer or if you have questions, contact Elsa Conrad at mmeconrad@grolen.com or 879-9189.

SILENT AUCTION



Are you tired of parking in the Wal-Mart lot on the High Holy Days? Do you wish that we had use of the condo lot during the weekdays? Well, Mike is AUCTIONING OFF his presidential parking space for the Rosh HaShana morning service (Thursday, September 29, 10:30 am). If you are interested in parking next to the Rabbi on the side of the building, please email your bid to the temple office at betenu@nii.net. The highest bid will win the parking space for that service!

What an easy way to benefit yourself while making a donation to the temple!! All bids need to be placed by **Wednesday, September 14!** The winners will be notified by email on Wednesday, September 21.



DESIGN YOUR OWN HHD GREETING

For your Family or your Business

Full Page Ad just \$100 1/2 Page Ad just \$60 1/4 Page Ad just \$36 Single line greeting \$18

Please send greetings and checks to the temple office. Please email the greeting ad as a jpeg to Betenu@Betenu.org.

GREETING BOOKLET FORM FOR ROSH HASHANA

Design
your own
Full-Page
Ad
4" X 6.5"
\$100

Design
your own
Quarter-
Page AD
2" X 3"
\$36

Design your own
Half-Page AD
4" X 3"
\$60

Single Line Greeting \$18
Please send form to temple
office by September 10th!

HIGH HOLY DAY INFORMATION continued

GOT HONEY?



Want honey products (honey and candles) for the Jewish New Year? Stop in to pick some up. While supplies last. Currently available:

- ✧ Clover honey bears: \$5.00 / 12 oz bear
- ✧ flavored whipped honey: \$8.50 / 1 lb glass jar
- ✧ 6" beeswax candles: \$10.00 / pair
- ✧ 12" beeswax candles: \$14.00 / pair



COMING UP AT BETENU



RABBI-LED SERVICE followed by TORAH STUDY ON EICHA (LAMENTATIONS)

Friday, August 5 at 7:30pm

- ✧ Rabbi-led service followed by an
- ✧ oneg followed by
- ✧ Torah study with Rabbi.



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES HEBRON 1929

Monday, August 8 at 7pm

Please see next page for details.

COMING UP AT BETENU

Historical Perspectives

Hebron, Palestine

1929



Date: Monday, August 8th, 2011

Time: 7:00pm

Congregation Betenu

5 Northern Blvd., Unit 1

Amherst, NH

Sonia Campeanu, Israeli

educator, will shed light on the

historical and modern day

Importance of Hebron,

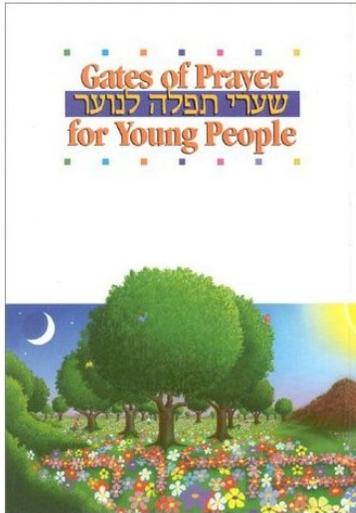
Palestine, 1929.

FREE!

Open to the
general public
(13 yrs to seniors)

Betenu Office: (603) 886-1633

betenu@nii.net / www.betenu.org

COMING UP AT BETENU**TU B'AV FAMILY SERVICE,
PIZZA AND A MOVIE WITH
RAHEL****Sunday, August 14 at 4:30pm**

Tu B'Av Family Service, Pitch-in-for-Pizza and a rated G movie with Rahel. Don't forget to check in for service credit. Note: if you can't eat pizza, please bring your own food and join in.

**GENERAL BOARD MEETING**

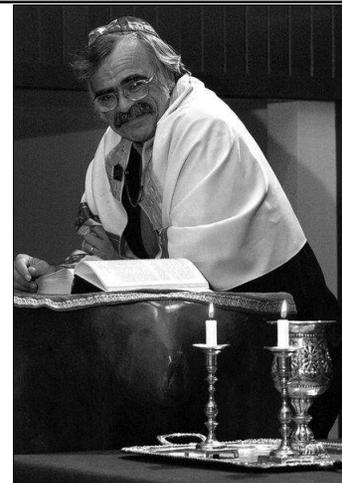
Monday, August 15th, 7:30pm

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

**RABBI-LED
KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICES**

7:30pm

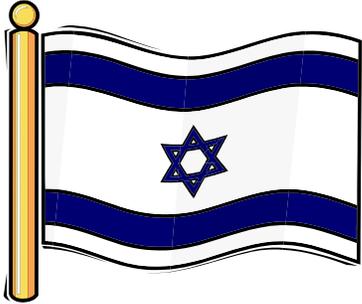
August 5th	September 16th
August 19th	September 23rd
September 2nd	September 30th
September 9th	

**MEET THE RABBI SERVICE**

Friday, August 19th, 7:30pm

Join us for our Kabbalat Shabbat Service and oneg. Meet and schmooze with the Rabbi (and the rest of us).

COMING UP AT BETENU



LAY-LED “STAND WITH ISRAEL” KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE, Friday, August 26 at 7:30pm

Congregation Betenu will have a —Stand with Israel Kabbalat Shabbat Service. All are welcome to join us in song and prayer as we continue to honor and bless Israel in our regular Kabbalat Shabbat service. Followed by an oneg with Israeli-style food.



SAVE THE DATES

- 09/24 at 8pm: Selichot Service at Temple Adath Yeshurun
- 09/28 at 7:30pm: Rosh HaShannah Service
- 09/29 at 10:30am: Rosh HaShannah Service
- 09/30 at 7:30pm: Shabbat Shuvah Service
- 10/07 at 7:30pm: Yom Kippur Kol Nidre Service
- 10/08 at 10:30am: Yom Kippur Service
Yizkor / Neilah
Break-the-fast
- 10/09 at 11am: Build the Sukkah Pizza Party with Rabbi Segal

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SAD NEWS

We regret to inform you of the death of Marie Louise Fish (Heckler), great-aunt of Elissa Kahn, who passed away on Friday June 10th 2011. May God console the family along with the other mourners for Zion and Jerusalem.

SAD NEWS

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Nancy David on June 18th, wife of John David, Crop Walk organizer and friend of Congregation Betenu.

SAD NEWS

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Beverly Chapman, on Wednesday, July 13th, mother to Deb Starin, wife of Mark Starin. May the Holy One bring peace to all who mourn.

SAD NEWS

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Shmuel Tubi, father of Ariel Tobi, brother-in-law of Rahel Limor, who passed away on Sunday, June 12, 2011. Baruch Dayan Emet. May the Holy One bring peace to all who mourn.



Yahrzeits for August



William Feathers	father of Yvonne Vogel.....	August 2
Miriam Macks	grandmother of Elsa Conrad	August 3
Al Baker	father of Yami Baker.....	August 4
Saul Berl.....	father of Jetta Darrow.....	August 5
Pearl Houts	mother of Patrice Liff.....	August
Sheppard Werner.....	cousin of Sara Murphy	August 15
Faith Flagler	mother of Susan Rodil.....	August 21
Julian Vogel.....	father of Ben Vogel	August 23
Sandra Throw	sister of Lin Robinson	August 25

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DONATIONS

Congregation Betenu acknowledges with appreciation the following contributions made during the months of June and July

Spring Appeal

Yami & Davida Baker

Rich & Shirley Cohen

Barbara Bailey

Suzanne Maine

Paul & Betsy Franks

Dr. Lerner

General Fund

Sheryl Liberman in memory of her cousin, Michael Goldhaber

Roberta & John Pavoll—get well Joel and Elissa

Donations in Kind

Rabbi Segal for a large donation of books, available in the library



BETENU THANKS

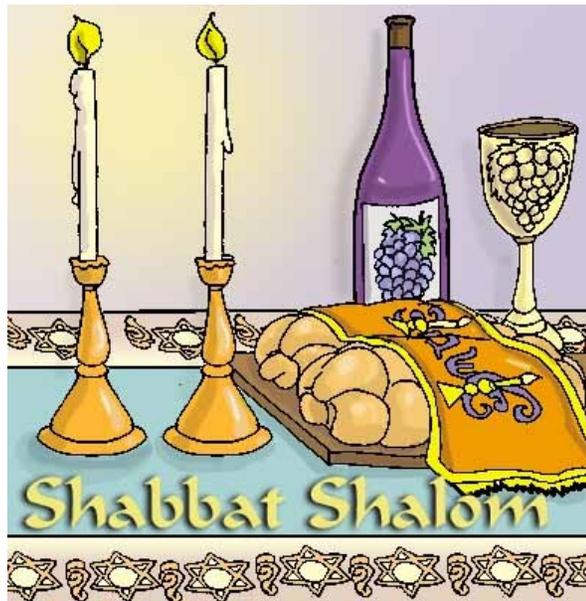
- ✧ Last month's oneg hosts: the Rimalover, Spokane & Goff families, and all who contributed to the onegs
- ✧ Lay leaders: Elsa Conrad and Sheryl Liberman.
- ✧ Rahel Limor for organizing and leading the Shavuot dinner and Torathon.
- ✧ Shavuot leaders: Rabbi Segal, Paul Franks, Betsy Franks and Rahel Limor
- ✧ Everyone who helped by taking trash or recycling home.
- ✧ Rahel Limor for arranging the Rebbe Soul concert and making it possible.
- ✧ Rebbe Soul for his music.
- ✧ Terry Strout for organizing *Stand with Israel Week* and all the people and groups putting on events.

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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**.



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The following Onegs will be hosted by:

- August 5: Open
- August 12: Open
- August 19: Open
- August 26: Open

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



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Ben Blotcky
Justin Newman
Corey Newman

Olivia Spokane
Isabel Starr
William Campbell

Andrew Dube
Elisabeth Rodil

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 3-4 weeks

Congregation Betenu and Temple Beth Abraham have a Kabbalah group. The suggested book is Inner Space by Kaplan. 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



EDUCATION

Sunday Religious School Personnel:

VP Education: Sheryl Liberman
Hebrew / Continuing Hebrew: Sonia Campeanu
Hebrew & Jewish Studies: Sandra Whitman

Principal: Rahel Limor
Hebrew Assistant: Nina Matovka
Madricha: Rachel Liff

ACCEPTING STUDENTS REGULAR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL / POST BNEI MITZVAH

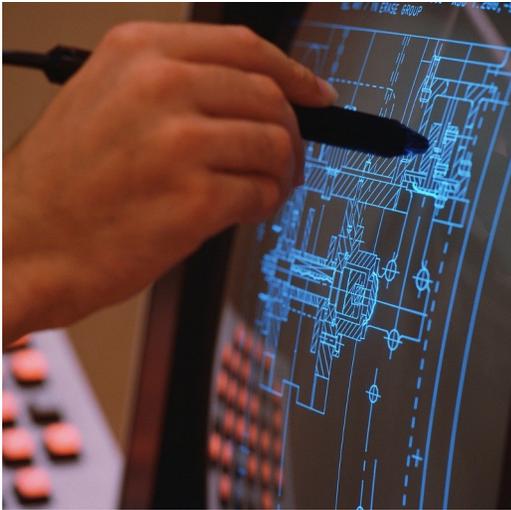
And introducing KINDERGARTEN IN THE SCHOOL!

Registration begins now for 2011-12 weekly Sunday classes for Grades K-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.



MAZEL TOV!

HANNAH THOMPSON



Mazel Tov to Hannah Thompson, who has graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY, with a BS degree in Electrical Engineering. Hannah was a bat mitzvah and confirmand at Betenu, and also worked as an aide and teacher in the Hebrew School. During her college career, Hannah was able to tour Israel through the Birthright program. She is the daughter of Peter Thompson and Amy Kirschner.

ERAN LIMOR

Mazel Tov to Eran Limor, who participated in “48 Hour Film Project New Hampshire”.



<http://www.48hourfilm.com/newhampshire/>
<https://www.facebook.com/48HourFilmNH>

He was brought in to assist Jim McClure of Betsy’s Folly Studios. The film the team created is called *Resonance*. Eran was the Media Management / Graphics Artist.

MAZEL TOV!

LELAND & CINDY PAVOLL,

**Son of Robert and John Pavoll
and niece of Sheryl and Larry
Liberman**

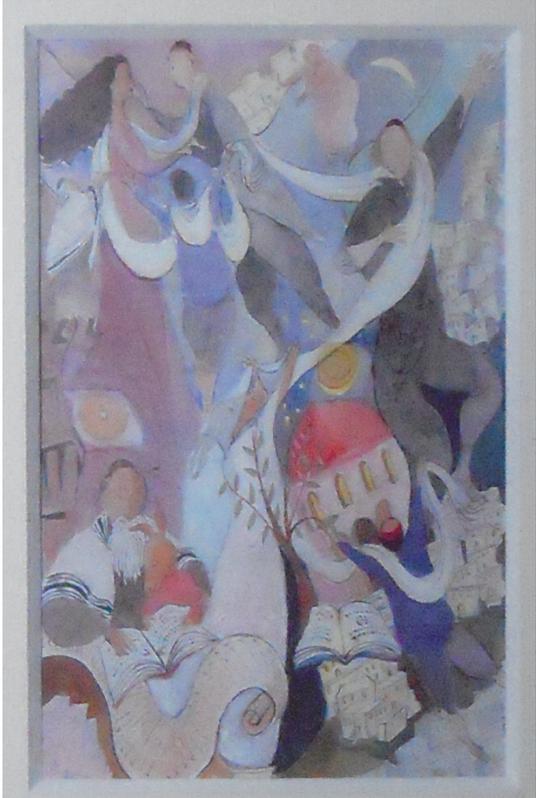
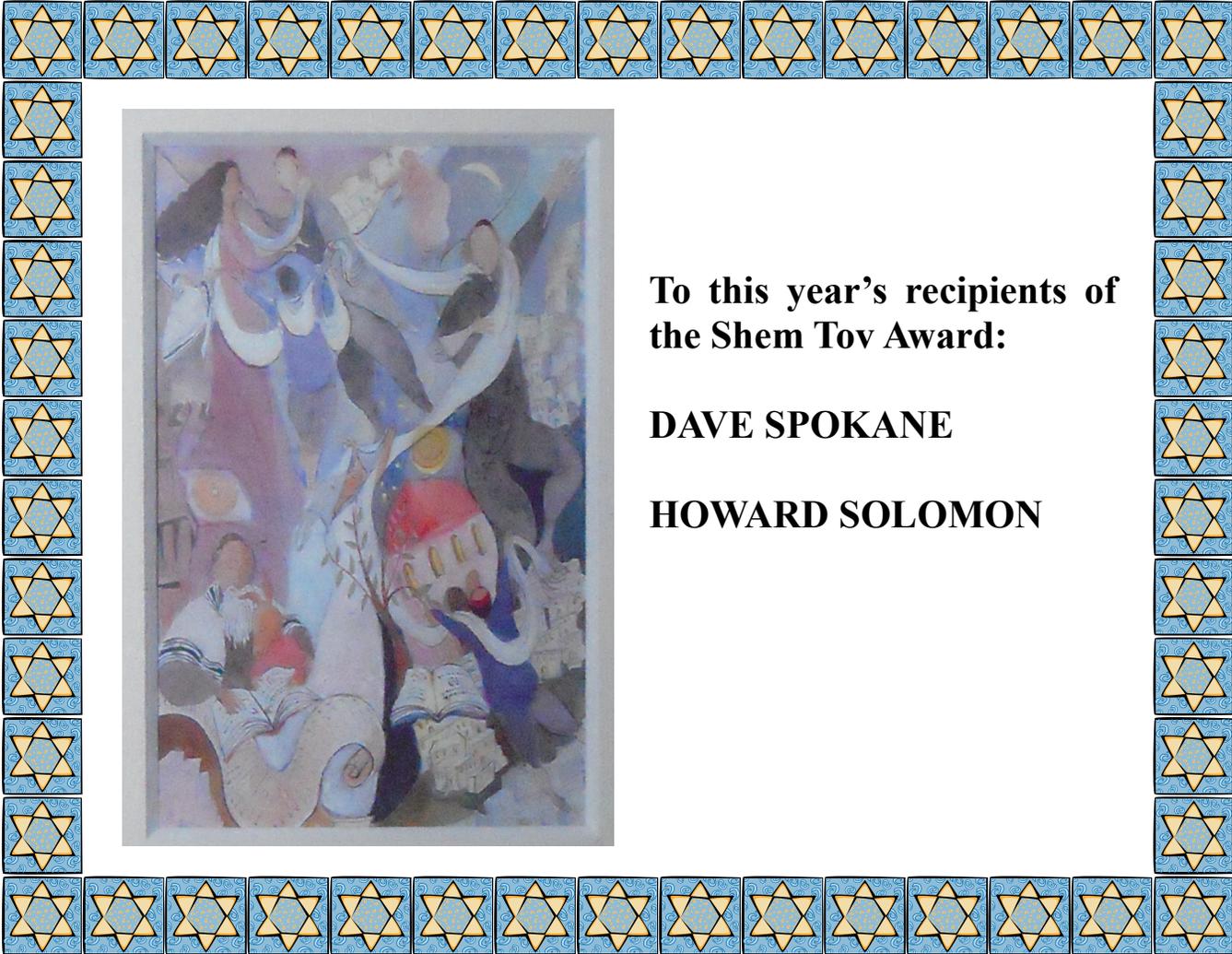
**On the birth of MAX
Born May 16th, 7:58pm
6 pounds 11 ounces
21 inches**



STEPHANIE DITMAN,

**daughter of Jeffrey and
Tammy Ditman, who
graduated from St. John's
University in Queens, NY on
May 15, 2011 with a Bachelor
of Science degree in Business
Management.**

MAZEL TOV!



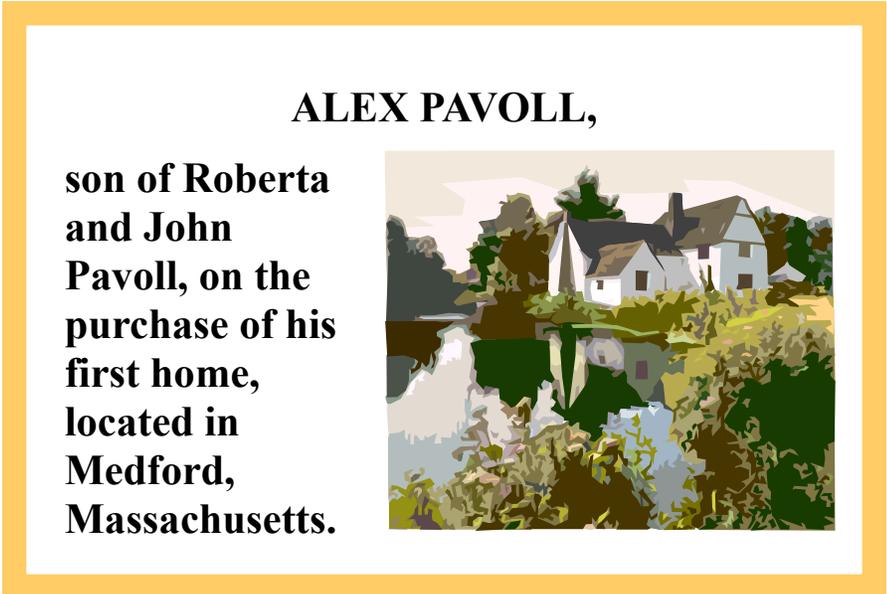
To this year's recipients of the Shem Tov Award:

DAVE SPOKANE

HOWARD SOLOMON



To our
Confirmands
Matt Spokane
Erik Rimalover
& Jessica Goff



ALEX PAVOLL,

son of Roberta
and John
Pavoll, on the
purchase of his
first home,
located in
Medford,
Massachusetts.



COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

All the trees of the forest
will joyously sing at the
presence of Adonai...

(Psalms 96:12-13)

Annual Jewish Service

3pm, Sunday
August 7th

**songs and prayers from
across Jewish tradition**

a brief Torah service

**a short memorial service
for America's and Israel's
soldiers.**



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To participate in the service,
contact Rabbi Sarah Rubin:
603-352-6747

STAND WITH ISRAEL WEEK



We have listed some of the events on these pages, but there are too many to list here and some plans are not finalized yet. If you need more information about —Stand with Israel week events in New Hampshire please contact: NHStandWithIsrael@comcast.net, go to www.NH4Israel.org, or telephone 603-521-8225.

Rahel and Sonia are interviewing people on their radio show *Israel is Real*, about these events. Tune in **Fridays from 10-11am**.

www.wsmnradio.com and later on our website at:

www.israelisrealnh.com

Friday, August 27th at 7:30pm Congregation Betenu will have a —Stand with Israel Kabbalat Shabbat Service. All are welcome to join us in song and prayer as we continue to honor and bless Israel in our regular Kabbalat Shabbat service. Followed by an oneg with Israeli-style food.

STAND WITH ISRAEL—SIGN / FLAG / POSTER WAVE VOLUNTEERS AND ORGANIZERS



Dear Friends and Patriots:

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

During the week of Aug 20st – 28th 1,000's of Granite Staters will be looking to shine the spot light on the struggles faced by one of Americas staunchest allies, Israel. The sovereignty of the Israeli state continues to be challenged and their presence in

the most volatile makes them the true Western front in the War on Terror. While several events are beginning to come together for that week (more info will follow), we are looking to help raise the visibility of that week in a fun easy to do way.

We are working on cobbling together a series of sign/flag/poster waves in various parts of the state. General outline:

- 1 – We want to identify six (6) or MORE individuals to serve as Captains/Organizers.
- 2 – We would like each captain to find 6+ helpers and plan 2 or 3 (or more if possible) separate sign waves of about 2 hours duration each, in high traffic areas around the state.
- 3 – Sign waves should occur between August 8th and 28th. You choose date, time and place.
- 4 – We would like as many teams as possible to attend a Manchester Elm Street Veterans Park sign wave between 4pm-8pm August 24th. There will be a major rally there from 5-8pm followed by a JUMBOTRON Viewing of Glenn Becks rally in Jerusalem.
- 5 – We will supply the signs, Israeli flags, some US Flags, lawn signs and handouts. Waivers should feel free to add whatever they desire (keeping it positive and in good taste).

If you can participate please let us know ASAP.....via E or phone below.

Terry & Carolyn Strout
10 Guilford Lane
Nashua, NH 03063

T – 603.521.8225
C – 603.801.4331 (Carolyn)
C – 603.801.4332 (Terry)

Note: Rahel is an Organizer. To participate in her wave contact rahelmusic1@yahoo.com.

STAND WITH ISRAEL WEEK EVENTS



VISION - NH4ISRAEL

Check NH4ISRAEL.ORG for updates on speakers, musicians and more...

STAND WITH ISRAEL

If you believe the Jewish people have a right to live in their ancient land

STAND WITH ISRAEL

If you believe that there is NEVER an excuse for acts of terrorism

STAND WITH ISRAEL

If you believe that Israel has the same right as every other nation to defend herself

STAND WITH ISRAEL

as she seeks peace for her people

STAND WITH ISRAEL

as she seeks willing partners for peace

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.

The Food Pantry accepts nonperishables, paper goods, and personal hygiene items. The Pantry is always in need of toilet paper, large size diapers, and small size Depends. Other needed items include condiments, juices, cereals, pancake mix, and syrup and brown paper bags

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

http://www.nsk.org/wish_list0.aspx

INFO FROM SNHJMC Southern NH Jewish Mens Club

Membership form: <http://snhjmc.home.comcast.net/~snhjmc/resources/SNHJMCFORM.pdf>

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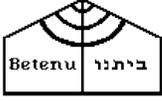
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