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FROM THE CANTOR



I had a recent conversation with an individual who related how surprised he was to learn of a video on the Internet showing part of an informal talk he had once given. He had assumed no one except those present knew about his talk, and yet, here it was, out there before

the entire world. Likewise, many folks are surprised that if they do an Internet search of themselves, they will find things they had no idea were circulating in cyberspace. The fact is, anything we say, or do, can potentially be recorded for everyone to see for all of time.

This brings to mind a teaching from Pirke Avot. This compendium of aphorisms and teachings of our Sages dates back to the Mishnaic period and is remarkably relevant to this day. The second of the six chapters begins with a teaching of Rabbi Judah the Prince, known as Rebbi, who was in fact the compiler and editor of the Mishna itself. "Ponder three things and you will avoid committing sin: Know what is above you – an Eye that sees, an Ear that hears, a Book in which all your deeds are recorded."

Now, if Rebbi were living in our day and sharing his wisdom, he may have taught that our deeds are all recorded not in a book but on a smartphone. We often hear about some public individual who is speaking "off the record" before a small group and whose words are recorded surreptitiously and made public for all. Indeed, an eye is always watching and an ear is always listening. In some ways this may be a good thing, in that we get to learn what a person whose views may matter to us is actually saying behind closed doors. But at the same time, there

Combined Morning Minyan

From June 3 through June 14 morning Minyan will be held in Cranford.

Starting June 17 - in Clark.

Monday & Thursday – 6:50 am, Tuesday, Wed., & Friday – 7:00 am,

Sundays & Holidays - 9:00 am in Clark.

Evening Services are held every day at 7:30 pm in Cranford.

ought to exist the possibility for folks to limit the exposure of their expressed views, especially if those views may be on delicate subject matters, or could be easily taken out of context. Likewise, a performer should be able to perform in a setting or under conditions that may not be artistically ideal, and not be concerned that his or her professional image may be at risk because it is recorded. And in a similar vein, the case can be made that one ought to be able to communicate privately by email without worrying that what one writes will be made available for the entire world to read. While there are surely benefits to transparency, there is also a benefit to not discouraging the free, honest and open expression of ideas that may result if everything is recorded for all of posterity.

Of course, the eye and ear Rebbi was referring to belong to G-d. And Rebbi is of course correct, that always having an awareness that our words and deeds are known to Him is a good thing. It should make us better people. I suppose one can argue that the eyes and ears of the iPhone can do likewise. I'm not comfortable with it, but we may have little choice but to reconcile with the new reality of our time, and then simply try to embrace its positive aspects.

The summer is upon us, and there is the custom among many to study Pirke Avot during this season. It is a good custom and I highly recommend it. It connects us with our Sages' view of the world and offers a guide on how to live a good life, in doses that can be easily absorbed into the heart and mind.

As this is my final bulletin article until September, I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for a year in which we at TBOBT accomplished many things. One highlight was surely the dedication of our new bima window wall, but more important is that we filled our beautiful sanctuary with many wonderful activities and programs, too many to mention. I especially wish to thank all who have worked so hard this year to create and maintain our vibrant community, also too many to mention. But let us not be content with the accomplishments of the past. There is much to do, and we need everyone's input and participation. Please join us!

B'vracha,

Cantor Steven Stern

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Shalom,

How fast time flies by! It's hard to believe I have been your President for almost a year now. We started off the year with our Labor Day, Open House BBQ, bus trip to Sands Casino, Bimah Wall Dedication, Menorah Lighting, New Member and Shabbat Across America Dinner, where we welcomed 14 families, and our beautiful well attended Community Passover Seder

and our Mother's Day Breakfast, just to name a few events. As I begin my second term, I want to assure you that I will continue to keep our Congregation on the upbeat by trying new ideas and new programs; we will achieve the goals we have set. I look forward to our 2013-2014 Congregation Board with some new faces along with new projects and ideas.

I like to wish a hearty Mazel Tov to Steve Hurok on being named Minyan Man of the Year. A well deserved honor.

During the summer months, things seem to slow down. Always remember we are there for you. If you know of someone who is ill or in need, please contact me or Cantor Stern.

In closing, for anyone who could not attend our Mother's Day Breakfast I want to share these thoughts with you and also thank Michael Goldstein and Jay Schlesinger for being our chefs for our breakfast.

To The Ladies of TBO/BT

You Deserve This Day; you're The Kind Of Women Who Put Others' Needs Ahead Of Your Own You Go the Extra Mile without Even Being Asked You Are Kind and Thoughtful and Incredibly Special and Today I Hope You Know It, Enjoy the Day Happy Mother's Day.

Sincerely,

Howard M. Silverman President

ATTENTION ALL GRADUATES & PARENTS!

Please let the office know who among our young members are graduating from high school, college, graduate or professional schools.

We are planning to honor our graduates on Saturday, June 15.

What's Up for Shabbat in June?

Friday & Saturday, June 7 & 8

Come casual for our **Dress Down** Shabbat services.

Friday, June 14

Installation of Congregation, Sisterhood & Men's Club Officers & Trustees.

Saturday, June 15

We will be honoring our **Graduating** Students.

Saturday, June 22

We will celebrate all birthdays and anniversaries in the month of June at our **Simcha Shabbat**. Come for a blessing and share your simcha with your TBO/BT family!

Sponsor the Kiddush in honor of your Simcha!

Transportation Connection

If you need a ride to get to Friday or Saturday services, or if you can offer a ride, please let the office know.



TBO/BT Walking & Fitness Group

Join us on Sunday, June 16 for a healthy walk in the park.

Meet at Oak Ridge Park in Clark at 10:00 am or leave from TBOBT at 9:45 am.

Start Father's Day with a gift of good health for the Dad in your life!



SISTERHOOD PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sisterhood celebrated another successful year on May 30 with our Donor Dinner. Yasher koach to Sebley Hausler for a job well done. Our transitional board meeting will be held June 17 at 8:00 PM.

We are pleased to announce that Joleen Fridson will be Sisterhood President for 2013 - 2014, and that Ellen Cohen will be incoming

Progam Vice President.

When I was cleaning the attic prior to our move to Delaware, I found the speech I wrote for my installation as president of Sisterhood at Congregation Adath Israel in Woodbridge on May 31, 1987. It is as applicable today as it was 26 years ago. I am sharing part of it now.

"I have written an acrostic for a word that is very important to the future of Sisterhood, Men's Club and the Congregation.

- C Commitment. Without people committed to our organization we cannot function.
- O Organization. It is the essence of our being. Without the commitment of our members, we have no organization.
- O Organizers. We need people who are willing to take on projects and carry them through.
- P People. You've all heard of Toys R Us and Kids R Us. In Sisterhood you might say People R Us.
- E Energy. This is something we all wish we had more of. But we can channel some of the energy we have into Sisterhood projects.
- R Responsibility. Most of us don't want more than we already have, but a little bit help won't hurt and things will run smoother for Sisterhood.

A – Activities. Participating in meetings, social functions or fundraisers. We need your support.

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T – Teamwork. No one should take on the world by herself. Teamwork lightens the load.

I – Ideas. Sisterhood always welcomes new ideas.

O – Open-minded. We have to remember that just because "we never did it that way before" doesn't mean we can't try it.

N – New Year. We are beginning a new year for Sisterhood. I'd like you to stop now for a minute and, if you didn't fall asleep or miss a letter or two, ask you to reflect on my word for this evening – COOPERATION. I would like to see more cooperation in the next year. Many people sharing the work can accomplish a lot more than a few people trying to do everything."

Now, as then, I want to thank everyone for supporting Sisterhood's ongoing projects such as Tribute Fund, Special Fund, ShopRite and A&P vouchers, for shopping in the gift shop, and for supporting special projects such as Lord & Taylor's Shop Smart Do Good. Please continue to do so, and let's make next year even better.

I hope everyone has a wonderful summer. Louise Cangelosi

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MAZEL TOV

To: Rayna & Allan Warner on their 50th anniversary From: Norma & Jack Weinshanker

To: Myrna & Arnold Young on their anniversary

From: Norma & Jack Weinshanker

To: Jennifer Greenberg on being elected President of Hagalil Region of United Synagogue Youth

From: Gloria Sern

To: Marvin Greenberg, wishing him a happy birthday

From: Gloria Sern

To: Arthur Purdy in honor of his special birthday

From: Verna & Seymour Lemberg

To: Norma & Jack Weinshanker - Congratulations on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

From: Julia & Yakov Vinokurov

To: Norma Weinshanker in honor of her special birthday From Julia & Yakov Vinokurov

SPEEDY RECOVERY

To: Harriet Rothschild

From: Doris Buttery, Sebley & Bill Hausler, Julia & Yakov Vinokurov

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Vouchers:

Shoprite and A&P vouchers are available at Sisterhood functions and in the temple office.

JUDAICA SHOP NEWS

June's the time for Dads and grads. Our display case has only a few of our many photo albums and picture frames. Check out our new items: scarves with matching necklaces, earrings with matching bracelet, and a beautiful Shabbat platter.

Here's some exciting news: If you shop at the Evalyn Dunn Gallery, South Ave., Westfield, and tell them you're from Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah in Clark, our sisterhood will get a percentage of what you pay.

If you want something you don't see in the display case, call or email me at 908-272 -9072 or nkelner@aol.com.

Nancy Kelner

Want to learn how to cook? TBO/BT MEN"S CLUB

Presents

COOKING CLASS FOR MEN

SUNDAY, JUNE 2

After Minyan

Our own **Andrew Dorsch** will demonstrate the culinary skill that brought him national recognition.



RSVP is required.

FROM THE MEN'S CLUB PRESIDENT

It is hard to believe that we are in the last month of the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

On June 9, after the Minyanaire of the Year Breakfast, recognizing Steve Hurok, we will hold our annual meeting to elect our slate of officers and trustees to serve the Club for the fiscal year, July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

The nominees are as follows:

Michael F. Goldstein - President
William Hausler - Executive Vice President
Paul Hymanson – Financial Vice President
Dennis Berry – Membership Vice President
Dr. Michael Miller – Ritual & Program Vice
President

Jay Schlesinger – Treasurer Theo Moreines – Recording & Corresponding Secretary

Trustees – Alan Mandelbaum, Richard Lavroff, Howard Silverman & Arthur Purdy

Men's Club Shabbat, which was held on May 3 & 4 was very successful. Dr. Michael W. Miller did a yeomen's job to fill parts for services (English and Hebrew). Yasher koach to Dr. Mike. In addition, we hosted our Special Adult friends from around the area.

Thank you to all TBO/BT members who donated to our Yom Hashoah, Yellow Candle and Sunday, April 7 program. Yasher koach to Dr. Mike for all his work. This was one of our best programs of the past year.

Also, our May program on eye care with Dr. Marc Needleman was most informative and very well attended.

At our Sunday, June 2 program, Andrew Dorsch will be demonstrating his culinary skills that brought him recognition for his techniques.

Lastly, we are participating in the Northern NJ Region raffle again. This year, we are using the proceeds we retain (\$9 of every book we sell) to replace our Sukkah that Hurricane Sandy destroyed.

We wish everyone a great summer.

B'vracha,

Michael F. Goldstein President, Men's Club

Happenings at TBO/BT

Hebrew School Students show their new siddurim.







Men's Club program on eye care with Dr. Marc Needleman









Happenings at TBO/BT

Mother's Day Breakfast













WE GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS MADE TO TBO/BT DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL:

(To make a donation in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special occasion, call the temple office at 732-381-8403 x11 or email tbethor@gmail.com.)

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Leonard & Freida Posnock in honor of Talia Sion & Len receiving Aliyot

Pnina & Reuben Steinberg in honor of Arthur Purdy on his Special Birthday

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Arleen & Mel Duchin, in honor of Norma & Jack Weinshanker's 50th Wedding Anniversary & Norma's Special Birthday

Michael & Helene Miller, in honor of Arnold & Myrna Young being honored by the Politz Day School

CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND:

Gitta Harel in honor of Arthur Purdy's 90th birthday

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Agnes & Howard Markowitz, in appreciation for the Aliyot

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Bernice & Bernie Gola, in honor of Arthur Purdy's 90th birthday

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New grandchild?

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Sunday, June 9 The Sidney Goldstein Aaron Margolin Minyanaire of the Year Breakfast

Minyan - 9:00AM, Breakfast - 9:45AM

Steven Hurok

will be honored.





ISRAELI DANCE

Tuesday Nights

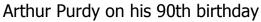
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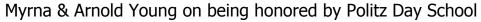
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MAZEL TOV TO:

Florence Bernstein on the engagement of her granddaughter Lauren Bernstein to Eric Murphy





Paula Hymanson on the graduation of her grandson Louis Diamond from George Washington University with Magna Cum Laude honors

Thelma & Arthur Purdy on the graduation of their grandsons Adam from Wesleyan University & Benjamin from Northwestern University

Carol & Gene Tendler on the graduation of their grandson Laurence from Boston College

Mazel Tov All School & College Graduates!

Happy June Anniversary!

Jerome & Lola Baron
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Steven & Judith Hurok
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תודה רבה - Thank you

Gloria Sern would like to thank temple friends for their golden books, JNF trees and donations in memory of her sister Charlotte Shevick.

"I have said you are my Beth O'r/Beth Torah Mishpachah. That Yiddish word for family came alive for me with your embracing good wishes. You made my 90 years glow with vigor. I humbly thank you.

Art Purdy"

Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah has for so many years been an important part of our lives, helping us to celebrate simchas, and providing us with an extended family for support and comfort in difficult times. Would you please consider providing a generous bequest in your will so that our "House of Light & Torah" can serve the needs of generations to come.

We thank you.

Happy June Brithdays!

David Altman
Josh Axelrad
Florence Bernstein
Dennis Berry
David Brotman
Alison Burkhard
Ann Curtis
Leah Davidson
Helene Davis
Keith Dunford
Sol Elsner
Diane Goldstein

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Howard Kronick
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Jocelyn Pandolfo
Julia Roth
Debra Seidman
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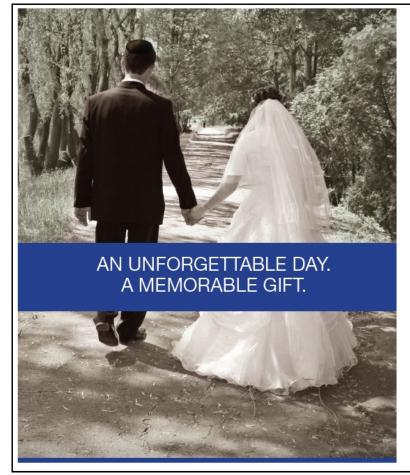
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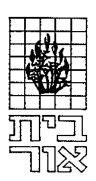
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