

NEWSLETTER
Congregation Sons of Israel

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FRIDAY NIGHT SABBATH SERVICE

April 13, 2007 @7:30 P.M.(2nd Friday)

The Service will be led by Bernie Horowitz

Esther Cohen will be our Guest Speaker.

Esther Cohen grew up in Peabody and now resides in Brighton. Esther graduated Northeastern University with a Bachelor of Science in psychology and is currently receiving her Masters in leadership with a concentration in Project management at Northeastern. Esther's love for traveling and exploring the world is deep but her passion is Israel. Esther has led 2 teen tours to Israel and is the Campus Coordinator for the Israel Action Center which is a department of the Jewish Community Relations Council. Esther advocates for Israel with students and faculty on all Boston college campus and facilitates the Israel Campus Roundtable which is a working group of 15 Jewish organizations. Esther loves going to Jewish single and young adult events in Boston which led her to becoming the permanent singles columnist for the Jewish Advocate.

The Oneg will be sponsored by:
Stanley and Sandra Simons
In honor of Sandra's Birthday!



SATURDAY MINYANS-----Start at 8:00 A.M.
SUNDAY MINYANS-----Start at 8:30 A.M.

Time to Kindle Sabbath Candles for April 2007

April 6th -----6:57 p.m.
April 13th -----7:05 p.m.
April 20th -----7:13 p.m.
April 27th -----7:20 p.m.



CONGREGATION SONS OF ISRAEL APRIL 2007 HAPPENINGS!

Everyone is Invited to Help Celebrate these Rituals & Social Events.

Saturday-April 7, 2007----

**Kiddush Sponsored by:
No Kiddush!
Passover!**



Saturday-April 14, 2007----

**Kiddush sponsored by:
Bob Shaw
For the Love of the Shul!**



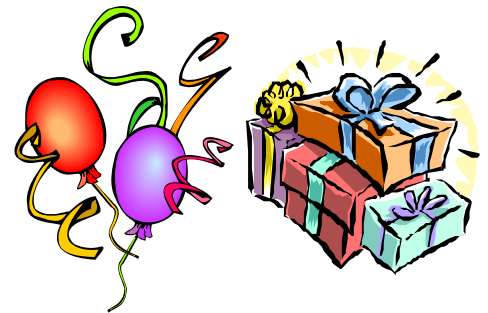
Saturday-April 21, 2007----

**Kiddush sponsored by:
Barry and Rosalyn Abrams
In honor of father
Irving Bacherman's Birthday!**



Saturday-April 28, 2007----

**Kiddush sponsored by:
Alan Spatrack, Phyllis Spatrack and
Susan Dinkin and their families
In honor of father William Spatrack's
birthday and mother Florence Spatrack's
Special Birthday!**



What a Wonderful Way to let us Share in your Joy and do a Good Deed at the same time! Celebrate your Simchas, Mitzvahs and Blessings with an Oneg on Friday night or a Kiddush on Saturday or Sunday morning at our Shul! Your dedicated Social Committee will do all the work in preparing and serving. For more information call Harvey Chandler at 781-598-8855. I look forward to hearing from you soon!

PASSOVER SCHEDULE FOR 2007

Seders will take place on Tuesday night April 3rd, and Wednesday night April 4th. There will be no Services at the Synagogue on those evenings. Services will be as follows:

- 1st Day - Yom Tov, Tuesday, April 3rd at 8:00 a.m.
- 2nd Day - Yom Tov, Wednesday, April 4th at 8:00 a.m.
- 5th Day - Shabbat Chol Hamoed, April 7th at 8:00 a.m.
- 6th Day - Sunday Chol Hamoed, April 8th at 8:30 a.m.
- 7th Day - Yom Tov, Monday, April 9th at 8:00 a.m.
- 8th Day - Yom Tov, Tuesday, April 10th at 8:00 a.m. Yizkor will be recited.

Please support the Synagogue by coming to our services.

Mechiras Chometz - Selling Your Chometz

If you wish to sell your Chometz in the traditional manner, please call Bernie Horowitz at 978-535-8686, March 27th 2007, as the proper arrangements must be made before Passover. It is customary to give a small amount of money to complete the contract, which will be forwarded to a Rabbi to complete the transaction. Selling your Chometz is a mitzvah, whether or not you keep a Kosher home.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi Fellow Congregants,

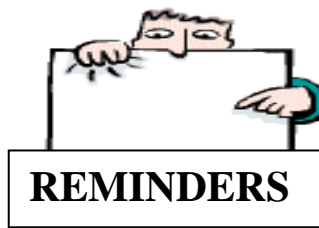
During Passover we all remember the story of how G-d's deliverance of the Israelites from slavery to freedom occurred. It is this time of year, the story reminds us, that we always have hope, even in time of great adversity. It is a time in our history that marks the birth of a nation.

Remember, freedom is a precious gift that our ancestors fought so hard to get, and that our brethren in Israel fight for every day. I hope that this Holy Season will inspire more of us to become more involved in our faith, our Synagogue, and our community. Come to services on Friday Night, Saturday morning, and or Sunday morning. It will be rewarding.

Bea & I send our best wishes for a Happy Passover. Haor Sameach.

Sumner Greenberg
President



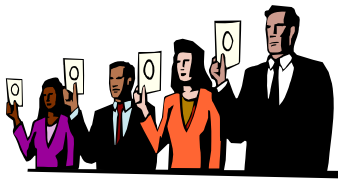


The Shul is sending Get Well cards and Sympathy cards to our Congregants. Please call Rhoda Kellerman at 1-978-535-0102, to inform her of any illness or condolences.

To all our Congregants, when making a donation please write reason, and specify on your check and envelope whether it is designated for the General Fund or Trust Fund! Mail to Congregation Sons of Israel- P.O. Box 702-Peabody, MA 01960

ATTENTION BOARD MEMBERS!

CONGREGATION SONS OF ISRAEL BOARD MEETING
SUNDAY-APRIL 1, 2007 at 10:00 A.M. (AFTER SERVICES)
M. IRVING HERBSTER SOCIAL HALL
IT IS IMPORTANT TO THE SHUL THAT YOU ATTEND!!



The Trustees of the Shul have voted to continue our support of North Shore Children's Hospital. We will help pay for supplies for the Activity Carts already purchased. This will be an ongoing campaign. Please send checks to: Congregation Sons of Israel, P.O. Box 702, Peabody, MA 01960.

DEDICATE A PRAYER BOOK



You can dedicate a book for a \$25.00 donation. We will prepare a beautiful inscribed label and insert it into a book in memory or in honor of a loved one or a happy event. Send request and donation to: Congregation Sons of Israel- P.O. Box 702-Peabody, MA 01960,

SHUL in midst of CYBERAGE!!



Congregation Sons of Israel website www.peabodyshul.org is available for your enjoyment! Many thanks to our webmaster: Jeremy Zafran. Learn more about your Shul history, committees, view newsletters, new pictures just posted and much more! If you would like to be on the E-mail list, please send your e-mail address to our Shul e-mail address: peabodyshul@yahoo.com

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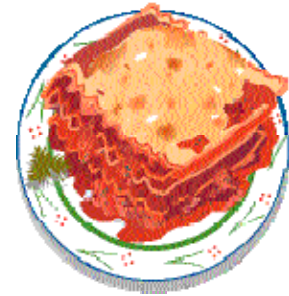
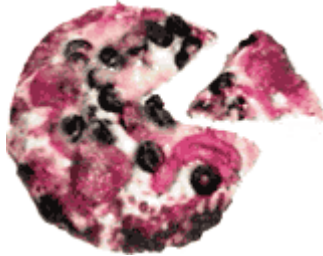
Stephen and Leslie Greenberg
Bernie Horowitz
Joan Fine, Paul Ordman

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ITALIAN NIGHT JEWISH STYLE!!



Come and Join Us for a Wonderful Night of friendship!



Date: Sunday, April 22, 2007
Time: 5:00 P.M.
Place: M. Irving Herbster Social Hall
Cost: \$15.00 per person

BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY!! (ADULTS ONLY!) PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BY APRIL 15, 2007 AS SEATING IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 75 PEOPLE! YOUR CHECK IS YOUR RESERVATION! PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

Congregation Sons of Israel

**Mail Checks to: Harvey Chandler
12 Woodrow Terrace
Lynn, MA. 01904
(1-781) 598-8855**

**or Milton Kellerman
11 Ledgewood Way #30
Peabody, MA. 01960
(1-978) 535-0102**

L'cHaim !

WHY?

You're young, not yet 60, in the prime of life, just recently married to your beautiful Merrill...WHY?

I feel a deep anger. I know that there is no rhyme or reason for a person to die and to be cut off in the midst of life. Yet I feel unjustly deprived.

Avrom, you gave us so much, and had so much more to give. When have we seen such an unselfish, forthcoming young man as you? You loved our Shul. You loved us all. You were truly your father's son, The two of you not only preserved for us and our generation our Jewish heritage here in Peabody but preserved our Synagogue as a vibrant place of worship.

Your brother, Paul, tells us your family would kid you and call you a "Fake Rabbi". I don't accept that for a moment. To me, you were a Rabbi in the *Alte Shtetl* sense making a living to care for your physical needs in a totally unrelated secular activity, but devoting your soul and intellect to your and our spiritual needs without a penny of compensation. Not that you knew all the answers. But you constantly sought to improve your knowledge and our knowledge of our faith in a truly traditional Rabbinic manner by always studying and asking questions. You have been, in every way, our Rabbi.

You worried about every aspect of our shul: not only the matters of ritual for which we always looked for your guidance, but on matters of finance and even plumbing. Most important, you nurtured the development of new leadership: we have a capable president, an exciting newsletter, a House committee on top of every needed repair, a Social committee with, count them, 17 involved members. And we have Bernie, who has worked closely with you and has so wonderfully taken over ritual matters during your illness.

You've never let your ego get in the way of Shul progress, always encouraging the involvement of our membership, knowing that it is people who make the Shul thrive.

Still and all we feel a great sense of loss: who will supervise the preparation of the High Holiday Aliyahs, and the reading of the *yahrzeit* list. Who will work with Bernie and Cheryl on the conduct of the High Holiday services? And perhaps most important, we missed seeing you at last night's Purim celebration in your ridiculous King Ahasuerus costume.

We can never know why a truly good person as you should be struck down in the prime of life. But we can feel deprived as I do. Avrom, we needed you and we still need you in the days to come as we make our transition to new leadership but we will always preserve the heritage you helped nurture. You will always be with us in our hearts, in our minds, and in our souls.

Avrom, I love you and am truly grateful that you have been so important a part of my life. May God watch over you, forever.

Eulogy by: *Irving Sachs*
Life Member

AVROM





Avrom was my friend. This is the first newsletter in eight years that I have not worked on with Avrom. It is very strange not to be e-mailing and talking to him on the phone. I miss him, his vitality and spiritual guidance. These picture pages are my way of paying a small tribute to Avrom. This has been a labor of love.

The following are gifts received **February 1, 2007 to February 28, 2007** designated to the Congregation's General Fund or the Trust Fund. These gifts may be given to honor the memory of a loved one or friend, to observe a yahrtzeit, to acknowledge a "simcha", or for any reason. The Shul very much appreciates these donations. They are needed, and they help to sustain the Shul. Send all gifts to Congregation Sons of Israel, Box 702, Peabody, MA 01960, and note the designated fund on the check and envelope

General Fund

In memory of Pearl Lischinsky
From: Herbert and Shirley Freedman

From: Dan Leavitt
From: Anne Barosin
From: Millie Bistrowitz
From: Elinor Ragosa
From: Ann Finer

In memory of Elizabeth Edelstein
From: Adrienne Cohen
From: Residents of Woodbridge
From: Barbara Ross
From: Richard Herman
From: Murray and Bernice Edelstein
From: Victor Berman
From: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Albert
From: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Levine
From: Miriam Hoffman

In memory of father Saul Tanzer
From: Jason Tanzer

In memory of mother Rose Hershenson
From: Herbert Hershenson

In memory Beatrice Horowitz
From: Richard Herman

In memory of father Ralph Harris
From: David Harris

In memory of father Charles Erlich
From: Harvey and Marcia Myers

In memory of Dorothy Becker
In memory of Irving Rodman
In memory of Max Brevich
In memory of Annie Brevich
From: Donna Cohen-Fisher

In memory of beloved aunt Ida Lurie
From: Harold and Eileen Kepnes

In memory of Marcella Feinman
From: Carol Finklestein

Donation
From: Diane Elefson

Donation
From: Anne Winer

General Fund

In memory of Solomon Birnbaum,
father of Rita Flicop

In memory of Mary, sister of Sylvia Loman
In honor of the birthdays of Joe and Rita Flicop
From: Joe and Rita Flicop

In memory of father Saul Gold
From: Karen Sversky

In memory of uncle Sidney Altshuler
From: Louis M. Cohen

In memory of father Jack Indeck
In memory of brother Albert Indeck
In memory of father Harry Slotnick
From: Malcolm and Selma Indeck

In memory of mother Molly Talkowsky
From: Max Talkowsky

In memory of mother Jeannette Kaplan
From: Gary Kaplan

In memory of brother Louis Wiseman
From: Aaron Wiseman

Happy Birthday to Harvey and Taffy Marron
Get Well to Avrom Herbster
From: Joel and Mary Marron

Prayer Books

In memory of Sarah Bernstein
From: Ann Bender

In honor of Bat Mitzvah of Amanda Dael Becker
From: Rhoda Olans

In memory of Joseph and Elizabeth Edelstein
From: Louis and Arlene Edelstein

In honor of two very special people, Avrom and Merrill Herbster
From: Evelyn Altshuler, David Altshuler, James & Deborah Effron

Edelstein Memorial Trust Fund

A wish for a speedy recovery to good health for Milton Kellerman
From: Paula & Harvey Chandler
From: Phyllis & Sherwin Gluck
From: Freda Kravetz
From: Steve & Leslie Greenberg
From: Sumner & Bea Greenberg

To appreciate and honor Freda Kravetz
From: Terry Salt & Jonnie Forman

In honor of 83rd birthday of Rhoda Kellerman
From: Phyllis & Sherwin Gluck

In honor of the 58th wedding anniversary of Paula & Harvey Chandler
From: Phyllis & Sherwin Gluck

In honor of the wedding anniversary of Alicia & Neal Schneider
From: Phyllis & Sherwin Gluck

In loving memory of son Gary
From: Phyllis & Sherwin Gluck

In loving memory of mother Anna Gluck
From: Phyllis & Sherwin Gluck

In loving memory of beloved step-father & best friend Solomon Schneider
From: Phyllis & Sherwin Gluck

For special thanks to the Social Committee for their dedication
A wish for a speedy recovery to good health for Lorraine Weinswig
In honor of birth of Jonathan Thomas Greenberg
From: Steve & Leslie Greenberg

A wish for a speedy recovery to good health for Rhoda Olans
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From: Sumner and Bea Greenberg

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In memory of Bella Herman
In memory of Esther Mindis
From: Philip and Muriel Mindis

In memory of parents, Saul and Gertrude Schwartz
In memory of sister Miriam Simon
From: Anne Barosin

In memory of mother Rhoda Finegold
From: Don Finegold

In memory of mother Sarah Wallman
From: Ray Wallman

In memory of Elizabeth Edelstein
From: Evelyn Altshuler

In memory of Pearl Lischinsky
From: Sumner and Evelyn Perlman
From: Joe and Rita Flicop

In memory of parents Harry and Rose Lerner
From: Deanna S. Wolk

In memory of Sumner Freedman
From: Dan Leavitt

In memory of Sarah Bernstein
From: Janet Dawe
From: Dr. and Mrs. David Crowley
From: Dr. David St. Pierre
From: Sheila Weisman
From: Marvin and Vera Weiss
From: Barbara Vinick
From: Evelyn Altshuler
From: David Strauss

In memory of parents George and Helen Karelitz
From: Nancy Millstein

In memory of husband Manuel Gaman
From: Gladys Gaman

In memory of mother Ethel Barrell
From: Edward Barrell

In memory of father Alex Bosman
In memory of sister Lillian Goldstein
From: Geri Dermer

General Fund

In memory of Max Golditch, father of Ryna Rodman

In memory of Harry Rodman, father of Edward Rodman

In memory of Leslie Schwartz
From: Edward and Ryna Rodman

In memory of Ida Kepnes, mother of Harold Kepnes
From: Harold and Eileen Kepnes

In memory of mother Ada Helen Tack
From: Barbara Mirsky

In memory of father Abraham Hoffman
From: Miriam Hoffman

In memory of mother Ida Elefson
From: Harvey Elefson

In memory of mother Rhoda Finegold
From: Barry and Berry Berkal

In memory of Ruth Herman
From: Mr and Mrs. Donald Finegold

In memory of mother, Esther Katz
From: George Katz

In memory of mother Ida Tanzer
From: Philip Tanzer

In memory of mother Ida Shnirman
From: Anne B. Strauss

In memory of father-in-law Morris Levine

In memory of husband Myron Levine

From: Shirley Levine

Edward Edelstein Memorial Trust Fund

In memory of Philip Michelman
From: Harvey & Paula Chandler
From: Bea & Sumner Greenberg

In loving memory of grandfather Isadore Kellerman
From: Ruth & Barbara Sigel

Edward Edelstein Memorial Trust Fund

In loving memory of grandmother Elizabeth Rosenthal
A get well wish for David Rubinow
A get well wish for Lorraine Weinswig
From: Phyllis & Sherwin Gluck

In loving memory of mother Ethel Barrell

From: Ruth Barrell
From: Paula & Harvey Chandler

In loving memory of mother Rose Chandler

In loving memory of father Max Chandler
From: Harvey & Paula Chandler

In loving memory of mother Betty Shaw

In loving memory of mother Betty Simon

In loving memory of father Abraham Simon
From: Stanley & Sandy Simon

In loving memory of father Leslie Schwartz

In loving memory of the grandmother of Lorelei Abrams
In loving memory of the mother of John Botner

In memory of Morty Titelbaum, husband, father, grandfather
In memory of Ruth Herman, mother of Richard Herman

A get well wish for Karen Lurie
From: Bea & Sumner Greenberg

In memory of Sarah Bernstein
From: Eliot & Karen Edelstein

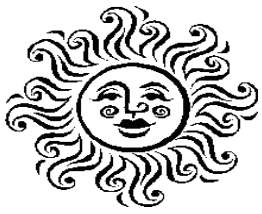
In memory of Morty Titelbaum
From: Joel Greenberg

In loving memory of Martha Mosean Goldberg
From: Joan Fine

In loving memory of father Isadore Kellerman

From: Rhoda & Milton Kellerman

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CONGREGATION SONS OF ISRAEL LIFE CYCLE EVENTS

DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

To the family of our Ritual Director Avrom Herbster (husband of Merrill Herbster, brother of Paul Ordman, father to Matthew and Jeremy Zafran.)

MAZEL TOV

To Bernie Horowitz, Congregation Sons of Israel new Ritual Director!

Wishing him success in leading us to our 100th Anniversary and beyond.

To Howard and Joyce Freedman on the birth of their grandson, Chase Edward Freedman.

The parents are Charles and Jaime Freedman.

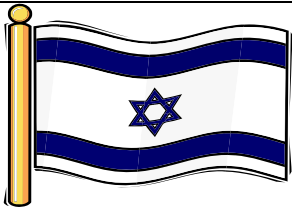
To David and Harriet Moldau on the birth of their grandson Adam Taglieri.

The parents are Tony and Greta Taglieri. Alex and Alana welcomed their new brother.

Please forward your information by the 15th of each month in order to get into the newsletter in a timely manner. Information should be sent to peabodyshul@yahoo.com or call Barbara at 978-536-2018. You may also leave a message on the Synagogue's answering machine at 978-532-1624.



SAVE THE DATE! MAY 4TH SHABBAT SERVICE—SPEAKER JOYCE ANTLER, PROFESSOR OF AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORY AND CULTURE, BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY.



Observances in April



April in the Jewish Calendar has three observances that we sometimes overlook. They are not really religious holidays, but they are important, nonetheless. **Yom Ha'Shoah – Holocaust Remembrance Day** occurs on April 15th this year – Nisan 27. We pause to remember the 6 Million killed for no reason except that they were Jewish. It is still hard to fathom the enormity of this crime. We must be vigilant, always remember, and pledge that we will not let it ever happen again. April 22nd – Iyar 4 is **Yom Ha-Zikaron— a Day of Remembrance for Israel's Fallen**. We remember those brave soldiers who gave their lives to defend Israel, and those innocent victims of terror attacks. All we ask the World is that Jews may live in peace in our Homeland. The next day, April 23, Iyar 5 is **Yom Ha'Atzmaut – Israel Independence Day**, the 59th Anniversary of the founding of the modern State of Israel. We thank G-d for her existence and pray that normalcy and peace will come to that Land. Let us take a moment from our busy lives and mark these observances in our own way.

(This article written by Avrom Herbster, updated by Leslie Greenberg)

