

# THE BULLETIN

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## TISHA B'AV AUGUST 8 & 9

Saturday night and Sunday morning are the two services which will take place in observance of the First and Second Temple destruction.

Both destructions took place on the same date but 400 years apart. The Babylonians under Nebuchadnezzar destroyed the first Temple, and with it, Jerusalem. Four hundred years later the Romans came and destroyed the 2nd Temple with Jerusalem.

The antecedents of the destructions begin even earlier. The night the Children of Israel refused to go into the promised land was the ninth day of Av. It was there the first weeping took place. That first weeping became the weather vane for what would transpire later, another weeping. Then another weeping for the Roman destruction. Then more weeping as the Israelites became the Jew, the Zhid and the Jude.

Moses, A.H. did not tell his future father-in-law that he was a Hebrew. Moses said, "I am an Egyptian."

Hundreds of years later Jonah is asked, "Who are you? Who is your people? Who is your G-d? Jonah answers, "I am a Hebrew."

I wonder how comfortable some of us are in saying, "I am a Jew." Or, do we say, "I am an American of Jewish persuasion."

In its history, Jerusalem has been conquered sixteen times. In 1967 the Jews drove the Jordanians out and once again Jerusalem was under "Hebrew" ownership.

When the '67 war took place, the Western Wall was retrieved, soldiers leaned against the Wall and wept. There was a very secular-looking soldier also weeping.



When asked by a friend who knew the background of the weeping soldier, "Why are you weeping. You've said many times that there is nothing to a so-called chain of history." The soldier's reply was, "I am weeping because I don't understand why everyone else is weeping."

Tisha B'av night, Saturday night and Sunday morning, August 8 & 9, there will be the reading of Lamentations. We will be

reading Kinot, the poetry written during persecutions which took place in our history. There is even a Kinah for the burning of the books of the Talmud in the 15th century in France.



Saturday night and Sunday we will observe a 25-hour fast. Because we come away from Shabbos, the last thing we eat cannot be considered a fast-preparation meal. At this writing, I don't remember what the custom is, but I know it is different.

We always need, or I always need, to be involved in the study of Halachah, Torah and Siddur. Tisha B'av Halachos will be explained another time, of course. ✧

## The President's Corner

by Gayle Bromberg  
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It's a little bit daunting becoming President of Beth Sholom, and I still can't get used to people who used to call me by name suddenly calling me "Madame President". I'm working hard at learning many things about the Congregation and the Board — the bylaws, what does work, and what doesn't. I've met with Rabbi, many of the committees and officers of the Board, and I am so grateful for everyone's outpouring of advice, support, and willingness to give generously of their time and effort for the Congregation.

I'm excited about the high level of energy and enthusiasm in the Congregation for new programs, community-building, new learning opportunities, and increased avenues for participation. Starting at the beginning of the school year, a number of new programs will kick off. A Beth Sholom Community Picnic will be held the first day of Sunday School, and will be a great place to meet new people, catch up with old friends and acquaintances, hear what's going on in the Synagogue, and chat with Rabbi Kosman, your children's teachers or members of the Board. I hope to see everyone there.

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A Family Shabbat Morning Service will be held once a month under the capable leadership of Pauline Horn and facilitated by Stephanie Paffrath. In addition, female congregants will be invited to participate in a quarterly Rosh Chodesh (new month) Shabbat Morning Women's Minyon.

Entire families will be invited periodically for a Saturday morning Aliyah (being called to the Torah). It is traditional to have an Aliyah if you are in mourning, or to commemorate a Yahrzeit, birthday, anniversary, etc. Please call the Synagogue office if you would like to be on the Aliyah list. Also call the office if you want to be called for minyons in general (weekday mornings or evenings, usually requested by people in mourning or commemorating a Yahrzeit) or if you'd like to be scheduled to give a short D'var Torah on a Saturday morning.

Fred Berney is re-starting a Men's Club and has lots of ideas for activities. Amy Gross has agreed to chair the newly combined G'Mach and Chesed Committees to coordinate more responsiveness to Congregant's needs in times of celebration of marriages and new babies as well as sickness, financial crises, and mourning. The Jewish Book Club and Israeli Film Series are open to everyone and are continuing, under the leadership of Carolyn Snyder and Helit Rose, respectively. Norma Kelsey and the Cultural Enrichment Committee are planning two spring Ellis Island/New York bus trips—one for teens of high school age, and one for families with students who maintain good attendance in religious school and Shabbat services.

At the annual meeting, there were intense, strongly expressed feelings, and a large turnout of congregants who care passionately about Beth Sholom. Everyone wants continuity of the Congregation, and of course that means we must continually re-energize to provide services for our congregants and to seek and welcome new members. We are working on this with the wonderful team of Susan Dwyer and Michael Rose at the helm of the Membership Committee. The Board is also working on creating a plan for finding another rabbi as Rabbi Kosman moves towards becoming our Rabbi Emeritus. We are deliberating and getting information about how to do this in a way that allows for input from congregants, keeps congregants informed of the process, takes into account our Congregational identity and the diversity within our Synagogue community, and is respectful to everyone involved. Over this next year, we will be inviting student rabbis to serve as Shabbat Scholars or leaders of services periodically, just to have some experience with other rabbis and further our thinking about who will be a good fit for us. We will keep you notified of when rabbinic students are coming, so that you may meet and interact with them. Since there are a lot of strong feelings about this, we are trying to work out a process that will allow us to have constructive and open discussions while still working together with mutual respect, cooperation, and harmony toward our common goal.

I want to thank everyone who has been so supportive as I am learning about my new responsibilities. ✨

## NAME THE MASCOT!!

*Students, Parents, and Congregants of all ages:*

The Beth Sholom Religious School has inherited a MASCOT (from Shoresh.), and you will all have a chance to enter our drawing for the privilege of naming him. \$1.00 will buy you the opportunity to fill out a special Name-the-Mascot Certificate.

Proceeds will help support the Religious School Snack and Dinner Program.



*What's his name?*

Certificates will be sold from now until the first day of school, Sunday, September 7, and the drawing will be held at the Back-to-School & Community Picnic on that date.

We are looking forward to another great year at Beth Sholom Religious School. Andy Rosenfeld will be returning to teach music this year, with the added twist that students may write some of their own songs. We will also have a "specials" teacher who will focus on art, drama, cooking, dance, etc.

Another very special feature we are adding this year is the once-a-month Shabbat Morning Family Service. This service, facilitated by Morah Stephanie Paffrath, was created especially for Hebrew School students, grades 3 through 7, and their families, though attendance is open to everyone. The students will be prepared, as part of their Hebrew School studies, to lead and participate in the hour-long service. Our goal is that they will become so familiar with the choreography and melody of the Shabbat morning service, that they will be able to walk in to any service in any synagogue in the world and feel comfortable and at home. Special thanks to Richard Haber, who will be reading Torah at these special services.

We are also developing a plan to reward students with good attendance....more about this next month!!!

See you on September 7, the first day of Religious School. Don't forget to join us at noon on that day for our Back-to-School/ Congregational Picnic. (See flyer on page 3 of this *Bulletin*.) ✨

You are invited to Beth Sholom's  
"End of Summer--Start of School"  
Community



When: Sunday, September 7, 12:00 p.m. (first day of Sunday School)

Where: Pavilion "B" in Staley Park, behind the Community Center

Who's Invited: *The Beth Sholom Community*  
The picnic is jointly sponsored by the Beth Sholom Religious School, and the Cultural Enrichment & Membership Committees

Price: Adults - \$8.00  
Children in 10th grade and under - No Charge

Menu: Hamburgers, hot dogs, salads, fixings, soft drinks, dessert!

RSVP: *Reservations due by AUGUST 29TH!!*  
*Door Prizes, volleyball, softball - bring your bats & gloves!*

*Catch up with old friends!*  
*Meet new friends!*  
*Have a great time!*

Additional donations to help fund this activity will be greatly appreciated!



**SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES**

Lenny & Ellie Kinland  
 Dan & Sharon Kuebbing  
 Martin & Martha Zweig



**SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS**  
 Thierry de Bremond

**SUMMER MONTHS AT BETH SHOLOM**

Services continue. Luncheons and Oneg Shabbats are scheduled. Meetings of the Cultural Enrichment Committee, Membership Committee and the G'Mach (LovingKindness) Committees take place.

Beth Sholom's Board of Trustees meets monthly. The new president, Gayle Bromberg, is becoming acquainted with the programs and goals at Beth Sholom.

Gayle has told me she would like to see more participation of women in the service through readings and Torah messages.

Kudos to the bingo workers. The Kandel family's wedding of David and Dina, on a Sunday evening, meant a dearth of workers at bingo. Volunteers stepped in and filled in the vacancies. With relish, I might add.

Jeffrey Rossio read the Torah on a Shabbos that Carol and I were celebrating Sheva Brochos, wedding parties, in Baltimore. Our services are conducted by volunteers. We may not always fulfill our debt of gratitude to those who run the services. Our congregation's strongest virtue is its volunteerism. It's love-work for so many of us. If you have a desire and wish to share the love-work, call the office. ☆

**HEAPS OF POWER**

Getting rid of garbage and generating cheap electricity is the work of a startup Israeli company called TGE Tech. Based in the Arava Desert, the company has mounted a pilot program at a dump near Tel Aviv. TGE is planning a larger program with another municipality that can burn 200 tons of garbage daily. Its patented system converts trash into gas. The gas byproduct can be used by cities to generate electricity. ☆

**WEANING TIME**

I had a grand plan of spending a Shabbos a month in Baltimore with children. Jeffrey Rossio would read Torah one Shabbos, Richard Haber would read Torah on the second month, the third month seven volunteers would share reading the chapters from the English or Hebrew text. That would mean the Torah readers would be asked to read once in three months.

At this point, I can't be away (metaphysically) a Shabbos a month. It has to be a *w e a n i n g* in a much more gradual sense. There is an excitement at Beth Sholom that I do not want to miss. There is a happening at our Shul on Shabbos.

The Torah reading for me is an excitement, only had when I teach it Shabbos morning. There is a happening. I don't want to miss it.

Maybe we'll try a Shabbos away every two months, G-d willing. ☆

**NEGEL VASSER**

Vasser is easy: water. Negel is difficult. Fingernails. It's water for the first washing in the morning, the tops of your fingers. I imagine that water was scarce, therefore only the top part of fingers was washed.

On the other hand, the rabbis say that when the soul leaves the body for its night's rest, Hashem washes your soul (Neshama) while you sleep and returns it to you clean and new for the next day. However, the ends of your fingers still have the impurity of when your Neshama was taken to be washed.

The Halacha is that one should not walk four cubits without first washing your fingertips where the impurity is still lodged. Therefore, there is an opinion that there should be a bowl with water and a container to spill the water in, under each bed, every night.

The first prayer one says when he or she awakens is called "Modeh Ani Lefanchaw," This prayer does not have G-d's name in it. G-d's name cannot be said until the fingertips are washed.

There is an opinion cited that since your apartment or bedroom is one habitation, then the rule of the four cubits can be expanded to the amount of cubits that it takes to reach the sink in your room

Imagine! We were a nation whom upon wakening, our first words were Modeh Ani - I thank you O King that you returned to me my soul, great is your faith, your Emunah.

Then you bend over your bed, reach under it for the Kali (the filled water mug), pour the water over your right hand first, then the left, then the right, a three time procedure over each hand. You're pouring the water into the basin that you prepared the night before.

Theologically, philosophically and spiritually the idea that upon first opening one's eyes, one says, "Thank you for returning to me my soul...." It makes a very tight bond of Creator and Creation. ☆

## BETH SHOLOM SOCIAL CLUB

Air-conditioned meeting room to keep you nice and cool

Understanding, support, laughter as a rule

Government, politics, art and more,

Universal topics, all you adore

Singing, dancing, free to express

Those feelings & opinions you've been keeping repressed.

Spread your wings, meet old friends and new,  
Join us for a good time, we look forward to meeting you.

Thursday meetings at 11:00 a.m.  
August 7, 14, 28

Lunch out at 11:30 a.m., August 21

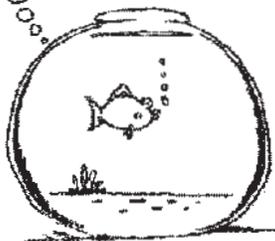
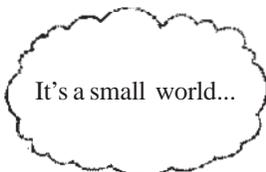


For more information, call President  
Bessie Pollicove at 301-845-6682.

## A SHTIK (PIECE) JEWISH HISTORY

Yossi Harel, a sixth generation Jerusalemite, the leader of the secret operations that boat-lifted thousands of illegal immigrants to Israel, died in late April at the age of ninety. Born in 1919, Harel was fifteen years old when he joined the Haganah,

He was the commander of the clandestine mission responsible for four ships that brought 24,000 people, many Holocaust survivors, to their homeland between 1945 and 1948. Harel, who was buried at Kibbutz Sdot Yam, near Caesarea, also served in the IDF under Moshe Dayan and headed an intelligence unit before entering the business world. ☆



## TUESDAY FAMILY LUNCH

It's been several years since we began our family lunches. It began with the realization that we cannot host Shabbos with family on Second Street. Dinner invitations are easy. Shabbos invitations mean a 26-hour visit. So now it is Tuesday lunch in Baltimore for anyone who can get away for the hour or two.

My daily schedule is early class, dovening at the Yeshiva, breakfast with grandsons or anyone who joins us. An hour in the study hall and then, moving to errands or returning to Frederick. Carol Kosman drives in later.

This past Tuesday, I ran into Suzy Jacobson Zuravin again. I wrote about her and her family in last month's *Bulletin*. Suzy's mother was a social worker in Frederick and Suzy became a social worker. During lunch, two daughters of Esther and David Resnick of Israel dropped in. They knew we would be there. Esther Jamie Resnick was born in Frederick, B'Mitzvahed in Frederick and married from Frederick. The Resnick's two daughters had lunch with us, as did Grandma Resnick. Mrs. Resnick once sponsored a lecture in Frederick in memory of her husband.

The younger Resnick family live in Israel.

Then we saw Eugene Abelow, wife and daughter. They were married in the Weinberg Chapel. When this couple first came to our Virginia Class, bw, before wedding, I arranged that she borrow Dvora's wedding veil for her soon to happen wedding.

Mrs. Abelow covers her hair and leads an observant life on a farm in West Virginia. They did not join our Tuesday lunch group but were in close proximity. Our children grew up with the Abelow children.

I could not clearly identify to Eugene those at Tuesday lunch except by saying, "This group is Chaim's family; these boys are Dvora's; Risyl and some children were there, that was easy; Sima was there and that was easy; Zahava's two children were there; and Buci's son-in-law was there.

The only ones not represented were Avi and Miriam Raisel's family, who live in Israel. The Resnicks could represent them. I reminded Eugene and those present that Ira Abelow, A.H., Eugene's father, was on the search committee that resulted in my coming to Frederick. Who did Ira Abelow contact on a steady basis? The great uncle of Risyl and Dan's daughter-in-law, Chaya, Berrish's wife. The rabbi's name was Rabbi Lipschitz, A.H.

I did not go into that with Eugene. I think by now he was a little overwhelmed, looking from face to face, trying for familiarity.

We were at a place called Carmel, a few doors down from the Kosher Subway.

Ethel Scholle joins us but I guess could not make it. I called and left a message. Restaurateurs know us. ☆

## HOLY WALKERSVILLE

Our Tuesday night Walkersville class took place at the Zweig's home. That is very familiar territory. I don't know the number of years we have had a class in Walkersville. Let's say, class was at the Zweig's home for fifteen years. Then the class moved to the Kelsey's home. Let's say we held class there another 20 years, until we moved to the Berney home. Fred Berney reignited the class spark.

Contrary to legend, Israel's Creek was named much before we began studying Torah in Walkersville.

In the recent month, the class spent time on the calendar. My two favorite subjects, all-time favorites, are the calendar review and the review of the Siddur's Table of Contents.

We can never review these subjects enough times. Our goal is an educated congregation. An educated congregation to me means that we know what goes on in the Synagogue service and in the Jewish calendar.

Our first years in Frederick, there were no Shabbos morning services unless there was a B'Mitzvah. A congregant thought that the only time we read the Torah is when there is a B'Mitzvah. The calendar tells us that we read the Torah four times each week when there is no event, like Rosh Chodesh or a fast day. Otherwise the event dictates the reading of the Torah.

Today, Sunday, is a fast day. If we had had a Minyon this morning we would have read the Torah. This week the Torah would be read five times instead of the regular four times. ☆

### WANTED:

Sponsors for scholar-in-residence weekends.  
Call Pauline at 301-663-3437.

College Students- If you are home for the summer, stop in and help us with bingo on Sunday or Monday nights, any time between 5 and 9.

Thanks!

## HASHEM'S CREATIONS

Onions look like body cells. Today's research shows that onions help clear waste materials from all the body cells. They even produce tears which wash the epithelial layers of the eyes.

A walnut looks like a little brain, a left and right hemisphere, upper cerebrums and lower cerebellums. Even the wrinkles are on the nut just like the neo-cortex. We know that walnuts help develop over three dozen neuron-transmitters for brain function. ☆

## Congratulations

to

Dan & Elizabeth Bilow  
and big brother Aaron  
on the birth of twins

Noah Hirsch & Sarah Faye

June 19, 2008



AND



## RICH MATERIAL

Herman Hesse's *Narcissus and Goldmund* is getting better. There are parts to it which read beautifully. The prose is spell-binding for me. We just listen to the descriptions of nature. The wild Goldmund is at one with nature and humans. He uses nature for food, for drink, and for beauty. He does the same when he encounters humans. He uses them for his needs. He is a scavenger.

There are many deep philosophic teachings which lay on the surface of the reading. Deep. This year I'm going for "deep."

Kaballah had its roots in tragic Jewish history. Rather than explain the unexplainable, deeper interpretation became necessary. Deep.

Hesse has portrayed Goldmund in a mold that occurs in every great story: the scavenger in very handsome form, another Dorian Gray.

Hesse brings into the story a vagabond older than Goldmund. The reader knows that this will be Goldmund in another ten years. Then, Goldmund kills the apparition of himself.

There is nothing mystical in the scene. The vagabond befriends Goldmund and then attempts to steal a gold coin. In defense, Goldmund kills him. In the story it is a normal sequence of events.

I think that Goldmund kills this replica of what he will be in a few years. ☆

## LUBAVICH (CHABAD)

Carol Kosman calls it the nose of the camel lifting the tent flap to take a gander at what Frederick is. I thought Carol meant that we were the camel lifting up the flap to see what Lubavich had to offer us. I called Pauline to meet the young couple who had dropped in. My question to him was, "Can you teach in September?" His reply was, "No, I'm not ready." ☆



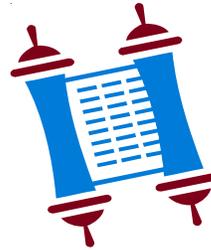
**Thank you, Volunteers!**

We gratefully acknowledge the following people who have stepped up to lead committees: Amy Gross - G'Mach/Chesed; Garry Cohen - Budget & Finance; Susan Dwyer & Michael Rose - Membership; Conrad Adelman, Richard Haber, Morrie Kelsey & Andy Rosenfeld - Religious Affairs; Ilene Liszka- Public Relations; Norma Kelsey - Cultural Enrichment; Carolyn Snyder - Book Club; Helit Rose - Israeli Film Series; Fred Berney - Men's Club; Shoshanna Campbell - Library & Archives.

Thanks also to Naomi Lazerow, who has retired after many years of service to our Early Childhood Center, and Sharon Edelstein, Chair of the Education Committee. ☆

Beth Sholom Congregation presents:

**Torah for Toddlers**



A program for 2- to 4-year-olds. Join us for Jewish stories, songs, snacks, and activities.

One Sunday a month from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.  
Registration fee: \$50

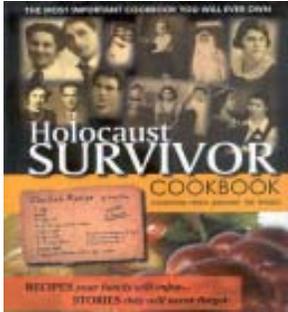
**2008 DATES:**

September 14, October 12, November 9, December 14

**2009 DATES:**

January 11, February 8, March 8, April 4, May 3

***The Holocaust Survivor Cookbook***



This past year, Beth Sholom Sisterhood sold the *Holocaust Survivor Cookbook* as a fundraiser for \$25 each, a substantial savings over the \$36 retail price. Because the demand for the book far outweighed the supply, we will again offer the book for \$25 each. We need to order at least 50 copies to get this price.

The book is a collection of recipes from Holocaust survivors, and each recipe is accompanied by the survivor's story. It's a gorgeous book and makes a beautiful gift – order as many as you want.

We'll be taking orders up until September 1, 2008 (but please don't wait til then to place yours). Just return the form below with a check for \$25 for each book ordered, made out to Beth Sholom Sisterhood. As if you needed more incentive to get this cookbook -- besides benefiting Sisterhood, the proceeds from sales of the book go to a soup kitchen in Israel!

**ORDERFORM**

***HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR COOKBOOK***

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Number of Books Ordered \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to Beth Sholom Sisterhood and mail to **Dawn Stein, 307 Rockwell Terrace, Frederick, MD 21701**

**ORDER DEADLINE - SEPTEMBER 1, 2008**

## THE INVISIBLE BRIDGE

I have congregants who have found a bridge that leads them to Ali Baba's treasure cave. For us, the bridge is still invisible. For them, not only did they see it, they used it to cross over.

For one family, the father saw the bridge. He is a geologist. The prayer in Kaddish became the bridge. The sentence, "May the great Name be blessed 'for ever and ever and ever.'" The word for "ever" also means world. "May the great name be blessed in the world, and worlds of worlds."

That became a bridge. The click was audibly heard by him. He became very excited about Judaism. We bystanders did not understand what he was excited about. We saw no bridge. He did and got on it.

Then there was a song at the Shabbos third meal. We sing it every Shabbos. I saw no bridge. There was a family who found it a very visible bridge. It was so visible they all alighted on it, crossed over, and the family is still in the treasure cave.

Can anyone be enchanted by "Negel Vasser?" The finger water to remove the impurity from the night of sleep. This congregant saw a bridge. He shlepped his family across that bridge. There was no law, no Mitzvah, no custom that was difficult. I can still see their kitchen floor filled with every plate, pot, glass ready to be dipped. They are in that treasure cave rearing their children with the gifts of Judaism - rearing them with the Jewish spoon in their mouth. ☆

## FRIDAY NIGHT SADNESS

I was in Israel the day the exchange of bodies took place. On Friday night in Frederick I read from some of the articles that were written regarding the sad trade that took place.

The Hebrew newspapers were much more dramatic in its descriptions. "One nation, one tear."

An editorial began, "Despite yesterday's ignominious displays of chest-thumping and gloating, it is no secret that Hezbollah's head, Nasrillah, has not been out of his bunker for two years for fear of his life."

"In Lebanon, a more undignified and morally offensive spectacle is hard to imagine. In Israel, by way of the starkest contrast, dignity was the order of the day."

"When the heart sickness subsides we will all have been left with a searing glimpse with the contrast of two different cultures."

Another headline: "The pain is ours, the shame is theirs."

Another headline: "The awesome saga touched the rawest inners of the people of Israel."

Around the world freedom-loving people felt personally involved.

The love for Israel by so many is a mystique. It's like the word infinity. There is a commentary that writes the love for Israel comes directly from the love by Moses for the land of Israel. ☆

# NCJW

National Council of Jewish Women  
Frederick Section

A FAITH IN THE FUTURE  
A BELIEF IN ACTION

by **Marcy Taylor, President**

We are planning our activities for the next year and I am most excited about our involvement in the new Challah Delivery Program. In the spring, Kol Ami's Social Action Committee started this program, where committee members deliver home baked challahs to Jewish patients at Frederick Memorial Hospital (FMH) each Friday. Julie Heifetz, who participated in a similar program in Philadelphia, introduced this program here. Since the need varies week to week, Julie works closely with FMH's Chaplain Robert Steinke to make sure no Jewish patient is overlooked. The patients are thrilled to receive these visits and the challahs. Julie's vision is for this project to be represented by the Jewish community at large, and this will soon be a reality when NCJW joins Kol Ami Social Action committee members in visiting the patients each Friday. Wouldn't it be wonderful if this program reached beyond FMH and into some of the local nursing homes? For more information on how you can be involved in this project, please contact Julie Heifetz at [Julieheifetz@yahoo.com](mailto:Julieheifetz@yahoo.com).

Thank you for your orders and continued support of our calendar/directory fundraiser; orders will be delivered in late August. If you forgot to place your order, additional calendars will be for sale. Also, now through December, watch for information on the following activities: NCJW monthly meetings starting in September; joining the NCJW Frederick Section team on October 5 for the Alzheimer's Memory Walk; collecting for the CRIB project and our Driedel and Snowflake adopted families; the Chanukah photo fundraiser; and serving dinner at the Soup Kitchen.

For more information on NCJW Frederick Section, please send an e-mail to [NCJWFrederick@hotmail.com](mailto:NCJWFrederick@hotmail.com) or contact any NCJW Board Member. ☆

## FRIDAY SHABBAT HOSPITAL PROGRAM

Would you like to visit Frederick Memorial Hospital patients on Fridays and bring them challah, grape juice and a card? If this collaboration with NCJW and Kol Ami members sounds like it's for you, e-mail Susan Dwyer at [susandwy@gmail.com](mailto:susandwy@gmail.com) so that she can arrange a training date.





**ISRAEL**

I dropped in on my children, grandchildren and great grandchildren for a few days. I usually stay with Avi and Miriam Raisel and multiple children, KAh, K'ain ayen Harah.

This visit I stayed at the Molon Vishnitz. Molon is hotel. The name Vishnitz is for a destroyed town in Romania, according to my son-in-law Shabsi's source.

Most towns had their Rebbe named after the town. Its disciples are called Chassidim. There are the Belzer disciples from Belz; Modjitzers from Modjitz; Lubavichers from Lubavich; Bratzlavers from Bratzlav. You should see the Bratzlaver building in B'nai B'rak. It's a Hilton.

The Vishnitz Hotel was not a Hilton but it was very pleasant. When I looked at my room, I experienced a double take. There in the bathroom, under the sink, was the basin for Negel Vasser.

Gevalt!

Negel Vasser was not my bride.

That basin under the sink reminded me of a goal I had in the Yeshiva. I wanted to get my fellow students to have the basin with water under their beds.

This is a custom done mostly by Chassidim and their children. When our Lubavicher family, Zahava and Boruch, visited us, each child carried in their basin for Negel Vasser.

Can you imagine that I would persuade students to use the basin and the water? I might even have promised to fill their Kali with water each night. I can't believe I did that.

That basin brought it all back to me. There was no TV, there was a radio that I could not make work, but there was the basin for Negel Vasser. ☆

**LETTERS**



Hi Rabbi Kosman,

Shavua Tov. I hope you are well. I am going to Israel in a couple of weeks. For the first three weeks I will be volunteering on army base but will need to make my own arrangements for Shabbos. I am reaching out to everyone I know to see what options I may have to stay with people for a day or two over Shabbos.

Just to make things more interesting, my oldest daughter is going with me. She will be in camp in Bet Shahn.

Rabbi,

Wow! That was nice of the Kandels to schedule their wedding between the Edelmans and the Finkelsteins. My husband said that the Shapiro/Finkelstein merger was major. Of course we all said, "never knew one that wasn't."

When guests drop in I think of Frederick and go into 2nd Street mode. There is a student sitting on my couch from Frederick. The G'mach helped him. He calls every Shabbos to say hi. We have a full house, thank G-d. A man doing volunteer work for the army is here for Shabbos. He too is from Frederick.

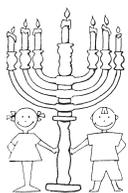
When the company flows in I don't have to think. I just do what Mrs. Kosman showed me. My Cholent smells very Mrs. Kosman-ish this week.

Rabbi,

Thanks for your wishes. I have my travelers prayer with me. I begin just as the plane is about to take off on the runway.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Kosman,

Thanks for the money. I plan on spending it tomorrow. I hope you enjoy your summer. ☆



**Beth Sholom  
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**Preschool Registration for the 2008-2009 school year:**

Although the classes for 2-year-olds are full, we do have some openings for three- and four-year-olds. Please call Margie Barber at 301-663-3437 if you are interested in registering your child. Classes begin at the end of August. We're looking forward to another fun-filled and productive year. ☆



Watch your email for information from the Cultural Enrichment Committee about events taking place in the Frederick/Baltimore/Washington community.

**BOOK CLUB MEETING - AUGUST 24, 2008 @ 10:30 AM**

Our next gathering will meet at the Beth Sholom Community Center in the Weinberg Chapel. The selection this month is a non-fiction story: **The Zookeeper's Wife** by Diane Ackerman.

"Ackerman's fascination with the bond between humankind and animals led her to the dramatic story of how Antonina Zabinski and her husband, Jan, director of the Warsaw Zoo, saved the lives of several hundred imperiled Jews during the Nazi occupation." This is an exciting, moving and quite informative book; however it does contain some upsetting content about trauma to animals during the Nazi occupation.

Our new plan will be to announce our meetings not only in our Beth Sholom *Bulletin*, but also in the email announcements for Kol Ami, NCJW and Hadassah. Also, following is a list of possible books for people to think about for future selections. Our hope is that people can get a start on reading the selection ahead of time and I apologize for relatively short notice on this occasion. We'd like to request that folks really try to obtain and read, or start to read the books so as to offer some good feedback in the meetings. Also to be discussed will be how often to meet, how we'll conduct gatherings, rotation of leaders, and what type of books we'd include. I'm opting for every 2 to 3 months on Sundays. The time chosen and location will be determined in part by the Beth Sholom Religious School schedule. I'd encourage people to come with ideas as to how to address these issues.

For additional information and/or to offer suggestions ahead of time, please contact Carolyn Snyder at 301-631-3991 or [csnyder239@comcast.net](mailto:csnyder239@comcast.net)

**Potential Book Club Selections:**

The Man with the White Sharkskin Suit by Lucette Lagnado

The Dream by Harry Bernstein (a sequel to The Invisible Wall)

The Secret Book of Graziadei Rossi by Jacqueline Park  
Beautiful As the Moon, Radiant As the Stars edit: by Sandra Bark (A collection of translated Yiddish short stories)

Rashi's Daughters (Book 1) by Maggie Anton

Secret Girl..A Memoir by Molly Bruce Jacobs

When Angels Fooled The World by Charles Fenyvesi  
My Glorious Brothers by Howard Fast (This might be good to schedule around Chanukah; it's a novel portraying the Maccabees as freedom fighters.)

The Fixer by Bernard Malamud

The Slave by Isaac Bashevis Singer

Adjusting Sights by Haim Sabato

The Book of Intimate Grammar by David Grossman

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August 1\*

Martin Bandler  
Joseph Blum  
Herschel Lange  
Elly Lyon  
Sara Rubin  
Jean Soroka  
Philip Altman  
Max Zweig  
Yetta Kapiloff

Helen Wesker  
Sammy Gold  
Rebecca Kandel  
Ida Lazerowitz  
Jane M. Ruck  
Mortimer Alper  
August R. Schiff  
Anna Stein Simon  
Benjamin Strong

August 8\*

Beverly Pittle  
Violette Lipton  
Philip Bernstein  
Julio Reifman  
Sidney Goldman  
Gerry Botkin

Bella Frisher  
Herman Greenfield  
Harry Justman  
Vincent Prada  
Zelda Treiber  
Simon Zvares

August 15\*

Raymond Garner  
Joanne Magnus  
Dolores Wender  
Lee Pittle

Melvin Pukatch  
Samuel Rude  
Jeannette Weinberg  
Morris Gellar

August 22\*

Pearl Justman  
Belle Nasher  
Philip Pindek  
Helen Potash  
Faye Zelitsky Siegel  
Phyliss Bloom Vender  
Howard Karbeling  
Liza Katzowicz

Diana Kandel Tash  
Florence Zahler  
Melvin Becker  
Irvin Bondy  
Edythe Fried  
Freda E. Schneider  
Wesley Deane Halsey

August 22\*

Yetta Grossman  
Minnie Lachman  
Freda Sautman  
Arlyn Saunders

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Anthony Joseph Rich

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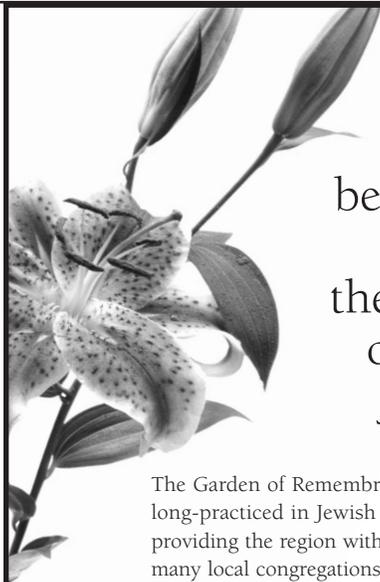
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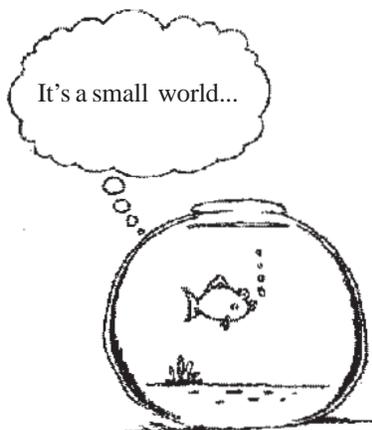
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