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November 22

Call the office for additional details

MINYAN TIMES & LEADERS

Sunday	9:30am	Gary Bernett	Office@CBENT.org
Monday	7:15am	Ben Rose	bnesq@aol.com
Tuesday	7:00pm	Rabbi Michal	rabbimichal@CBENT.org
Wednesday	7:00pm	Cantor Steve	cantor@CBENT.org
Thursday	7:15am	Joe Pless	jess222@gmail.com
Shabbat Friday Evening	7:00pm		Office@CBENT.org
Shabbat Saturday Morning	9:45am		Office@CBENT.org

Check the weekly announcements for Shabbat services being in person or on Zoom. If a minyan is needed for a yahrzeit, please call the office at 610-356-8700 so an email can be sent out to congregants asking for their participation.

RABBI MICHAL



Judaism has always required Jews, wherever they live, to be civically involved and engaged. Organically, Jews were not monarchists and it was only out of great reluctance, that the prophet Samuel anointed Saul, the Benjaminite, as King. The only king we acknowledged and revered was and continues to be, as our liturgy highlights, God. Most of the human kings in our Jewish history did not last or maintain peace and growth. And when Jews were in the Diaspora, living in countries

where they were always the minority, Jews served kings and were engaged in the courts, often used for their skills in medicine, finance, and education. Jews were also involved in resisting monarchy and there are quite a few prominent names in this area of political activity as well. But, we are called upon to be civically engaged. And our commandments to care for the vulnerable necessitates our involvement in *Tikkun Olam*, fixing the world. Judaism's wisdom tradition teaches that "You do not need to finish the work, but you are not free to desist from it" (Avot 2:16).

It is for this reason that, even though currently, many of us may be feeling 'politically homeless', that does not excuse us from desisting from voting in the November elections. While there may be no easy fixes to ensure that elections are fair and just, we must exercise the right to vote as a sacred Jewish duty and demand that all ballots are fairly counted. We are partners with God to create a better world. In our prayer *Aleinu* we say: "*l'takein olam b'malchut Shaddai*" - to fix the world in the realm of God. Torah requires of us to pursue justice, to care for the stranger, the widow, and the orphan, and to sustain our world in peace. We must do all of this in order to choose life, which we are commanded to do and help others to do so as well. The *Mishnah* and the *Talmud* take this even further. In *Pirkei Avot* 2:4, Rabbi Hillel warns, "do not separate yourself from the community." We must become active members of society. political hermetism is forbidden.

And if we don't, here too, the warnings are very clear. In *Pirkei Avot*, it also recants - "Rabbi Hanina, the deputy-high priest said: pray for the welfare (*shloma*) of the government (*malchut*), for were it not for the fear it inspires, every man would swallow his neighbor alive" (Avot 3:2). There are so many examples within our texts, for the need, calling, and rationale of why we must be civically engaged. I, personally, have a double binder; being a dual citizen of the USA and Israel. Like many Israelis, recognizing that Israel's democratic and pluralist system is truly in danger, I must take part in the Israeli elections as well, God willing. These are dire times where democracies are under threat.

Every *Shabbat*, in our prayer books, we have the opportunity to say a prayer for our country and a prayer for our leaders and government. These are not ornamental to fill the pages of the *Siddur*. They are core to our being as individuals and as a Jewish community. May we use our power of the vote in the coming elections to exercise our Jewish tradition and be involved.

With love,
Rabbi Michal

Rabbi's Fund

Sue & Marc Gewerts

In memory of Dorothy Gewerts

Karen & Mark Bernstein

Wishing Rabbi Michal a full & speedy recovery

Building Maintenance

Lauren & Stewart Homel

In memory of Melvyn Lieberman

Marilyn & Eric Bamash

Meldrid E Bamash & Bessie Isaacsohn

Joyce & Richard Brody

In memory of Alexander Robinson

Torah Restoration

Dan, Andrew & Rebecca Brody

Mom & Dad's 48th Wedding Anniversary

BENT Friends

Marilyn & Eric Bamash

In Honor of Marc's 50th Anniversary Bar Mitzvah

Dick Packel Fund

Natalie Packel

In memory of Samuel Halpern

Meryl Melnikoff & Mary Bradley

In loving memory of Sandy & Marvin Melnikoff and sister Rona Melnikoff

CANTOR'S NOTES



I recently came across an article I wrote just over 30 years ago. It was originally inspired by my children. I still find it's message appropriate for us in today's world. Who will be the Zeydehs of our grandchildren?

Yiddishkeit

It probably will not shock any of our congregants to hear that I enjoy listening to Jewish music quite frequently, especially when I'm driving. Certainly my children are aware of this as I always seem to have a popular Jewish cassette tape playing while they are in the car with me. Normally we will sing one song after another, trying desperately to remember the words while gleefully inventing new (and usually pretty awful) harmonies. Recently, however, my boys were stunned when I refused to listen to, or to sing along with a song called 'My Zeyde' and they asked me why I didn't like it.

It is a melancholy song of a man reminiscing about his grandfather, I told them. He remembers that it was his Zeydeh who sang Kiddush on Shabbos, and who would lead the seder on Pesach night. It was his Zeydeh who told him stories of what it was like to be a Jew in Poland and it was his Zeydeh who taught him Torah, wrong from right. And yet, after his Zeydeh dies, he declares that his family just somehow stopped being Jewish like my Zeydeh was.' What this song is really saying, I told my sons, is that when this man's grandfather died, the Jewish identity of his family died with him. 'Who will be the Zeydehs of our children?' he asks rhetorically, for he recognizes that there is no one left to be a Jewish role model in his family. So despite the upbeat Borsht Belt ballad format, this song to me is simply garish and depressing, and so I choose not to listen to it.

What's really sad, I told my boys, is that the Judaism in this particular family died because no one cared to keep it alive. How could they have kept Judaism alive in their family they asked me. Simple, I said. They could have joined a synagogue and sent their children to Hebrew school, where they could have learned to be Jewish just as you are learning. We no longer have the luxury of living with 3 or 4 generations in one household as your grandparents did. We no longer have those daily ties with extended family to teach us by example what you must now learn from your teachers in Hebrew School. I grew up in a home where Yiddish was fluently spoken between parents, grandparents, uncles and aunts. It was a home one knew was Jewish because Jewish was the language that was spoken there. But like many Jews in today's diaspora, we live in the suburbs, at a distance from our relatives, and Yiddish is no longer a factor in our lives.

The members of our synagogue, I continued, are now our local Jewish family. The language of our prayer and of our heritage is the language you are now learning. It is a language that is even more ancient and more Jewish than Yiddish. Now you can teach your Zeyde a thing or two about being Jewish in America because you are learning to make Judaism a regular part of your life. You can teach him that even though the language and the location have changed, the God we worship is the same. You can teach your Zeyde that even without Yiddish in our life, we still can have Yiddishkeit in our home. Judaism will never die in America, I told my sons, as long as we keep sending our children to Hebrew schools. Now do you understand why I don't like that song?

"Sure thing Dad. What's for dinner tonight?"

B'Shalom.

Cantor Steve



CONGREGATION

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Simchat Torah Celebration **Sponsored by CBENT Trustees** **Saturday, October 3, 5:30 - 8:30 PM**



5:30 PM - 6:00 PM - Special Program featuring Miss Andi
for Mini Mensch and All

6:00 PM - Amazing Appetizers

7:00 PM - Simchat Torah Service
Sing, Dance, & Parade!

8:00 PM Dessert Buffet!



Mensch Making Academy Students receive credit toward Lucky 7 reward!

*Enjoy exciting food and cool sweets, bagels &
schmear, mac & cheese, pizza bagels, and decadent
desserts, all at no cost to please, on the Trustees!*

The evening is free! But you must RSVP!

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CO-PRESIDENTS: MARC BELITSKY & LAUREN HOMEL

Stronger Together: Caring for Our Synagogue

Dear Friends,

As I shared in my Rosh Hashana president's speech, Congregation Beth El-Ner Tamid is more than a building and more than a calendar of services and programs. It is a place where we pray, learn, celebrate, remember, seek comfort, and form lasting relationships. It belongs to all of us—and its strength depends on all of us.

Why We Work Together

A thriving congregation is built through shared responsibility. Every person who welcomes a newcomer, helps set up or cleanup for an event, joins a minyan (in person or on What's App), teaches a class, checks on a neighbor, serves on a committee or the board, runs a fundraiser, or helps care for our sacred space strengthens the whole community. No single leader, clergy member, staff member, or volunteer can sustain this work alone. When we contribute our time and talents, we turn membership into partnership and create a synagogue that reflects our deepest values.

This year we have many young new families and a thriving Mini Mensch program for tots. We are here to support them with events that help them feel connected, build long lasting friendships and become lifelong CBENT members. This was my experience as it was for many of our families. If you are a young family or individual and you want to get involved, please reach out to Lauren, myself, or the office and come to an event.

Why Financial Giving Matters

Financial support is another vital expression of that partnership. Membership dues cover only part of what it takes to sustain our congregation. Donations such as our Yom Kippur pledge help us maintain a safe and welcoming home, support inspiring worship and learning, care for members in times of need, engage children and families in our Mini Mensch and Mensch Academy, serve the wider community, and plan responsibly for the future. Thank you to everyone who have paid their dues on time and who generously made a Yom Kippur pledge. I was very moved as one of our congregants, on hearing about our need for a new air-conditioner in the Temple Israel room, at a considerable cost, quietly stepped forward and covered ALL the costs. This is Tzedakah! This is caring for your community. On behalf of our congregation, thank you and thank you for setting an example for others to follow.

Every gift matters. A contribution is not measured only by its size, but by the commitment it represents. When each household gives at a level that is meaningful and sustainable for them, our collective generosity becomes a powerful foundation. It allows us to meet today's needs while building a strong, vibrant synagogue for tomorrow. If finances are difficult, please give your time and help us with a fundraising event or other activity.

Our Shared Commitment

As we just pledged Tzedakah on the High Holidays, I invite each of us to consider how we can help—by showing up, volunteering, welcoming others, sharing our ideas, and making a financial contribution.

Together, we can care for the synagogue that cares for us and ensure that it remains a source of Jewish connection, meaning, and belonging.

Thank you for all that you do, and for the many ways you help our community flourish.

With gratitude,

Marc Belitsky and Lauren Homel

Co-Presidents

Glassman Mitzvah Fund

Debbie & Henri Levit

Elaine Grobman & Family

Carol Prushan

In Honor of Marc's 50th Anniversary Bar Mitzvah

Ruth & Rob Bender

Get well soon Arnie!

Sisterhood Club

Get well soon Arnie!

Ina & Arnie Galer

Stay strong we admire your spirit!

Saundra & Ronald Kauffman

Get well soon Arnie!

Arthur Pollin

Congratulations Marc to reaching this important milestone in your life

Joyce & Richard Brody

Congratulations Marc Belitsky

Meryl Melnikoff & Mary Bradley

In loving memory of Sandy & Marvin Melnikoff and sister Rona Melnikoff

Joan & Ben Rose

In memory of Abraham Rose



MENSCH MAKING ACADEMY MARA WOLFF, EDUCATION DIRECTOR

This summer, I had the privilege of attending NewCAJE, a conference for Jewish educators. The experience felt especially meaningful because my mom attended the very same conference when she was an Education Director. One of the things that makes NewCAJE so special is that it is created and led by Jewish educators themselves. As part of my fellowship, I will have the opportunity to contribute in the same way and present at the conference next year.

I cannot remember the last time I experienced so much professional and personal growth in such a short amount of time. I continue to notice that many of the decisions I make here at CBENT are informed, in some way, by what I experienced and learned at NewCAJE.

At the heart of my experience was the realization that being Jewish in America often requires a choice. American society was not built around minority religions, and being Jewish can sometimes mean intentionally making space for Jewish life in a world that does not always make that space for us. At NewCAJE, however, I was surrounded by Jewish educators who understood that experience. For a few days, I didn't feel like I had to make that choice. I could simply be Jewish.

It is my hope that our students can experience that same feeling here at CBENT. We ask them to learn, question, grow, and stretch their minds, but we also want them to feel comfortable settling into this space and simply being Jewish. I hope CBENT can be a place where Jewish identity doesn't feel like something they have to choose, but something they can experience, explore, and make their own.

Religious School Fund

Feri Law

In memory of Parviz Benhaim

Mini Mensch Fund

Jeri Cooperstein

In memory of Seymour Rose

MINI MENSCH MAKING ACADEMY

ELLEN GLASSMAN, DIRECTOR



At the heart of the Mini Mensch Academy is something we believe is essential - helping our children and families develop a strong, joyful and deeply personal Jewish identity. We want our youngest learners to begin asking, **"What does being Jewish look like for me?"** For one child, it may look like lighting Shabbat candles, singing a Hebrew song, celebrating a holiday or recognizing the mezuzah on the door. For another, it may be doing a mitzvah, standing up for someone who needs a friend, caring for the earth, asking big questions, learning a family tradition or simply knowing, *"This is part of who I am. I am Jewish and I am proud of it."*

These questions feel especially important at a time when our children are growing up in a world where they may hear antisemitic words, encounter stereotypes or see troubling messages about Jews and Judaism. We cannot control every message they will encounter, but we can help shape the foundation upon which they stand. We can give them knowledge. We can give them community. We can give them experiences that fill them with joy and belonging. We can help them develop the confidence to say, "I know who I am. I know where I come from. I know what being Jewish means to me."

Jewish pride grows when our children understand that they are part of an extraordinary story that stretches back thousands of years—a story of Torah and learning, courage and resilience, questioning and discovery, creativity and community. It is a story filled with people who have cared for the stranger, pursued justice, valued education, repaired what was broken, celebrated life, wrestled with big questions and worked to make the world better. Our children are not simply learning that history - they are the next chapter of the Jewish people. Through educational experiences, we are teaching them that their Jewish identity can inspire them to speak up when something is wrong, welcome someone who feels left out, perform acts of kindness, care for our world, ask thoughtful questions and recognize their own ability to make a difference. Through musical experiences with Miss Andi, even our youngest learners sing out, "Do a Mitzvah If You Can!" and "I've Got That Shabbat Feeling!"

Our hope is that every child and parent who walks through our doors leaves feeling good about who they are and what they experienced. We hope they leave with Jewish memories, Jewish friendships, Jewish confidence, Jewish pride and a sense of responsibility for what comes next. We want them to understand that Judaism is not only something they inherit from those who came before them—it is something they can live, shape, celebrate and pass forward. **And we want every child to know: There is a place for me in the Jewish story. I belong here. I have something to contribute. And I am proud of who I am.** We invite our students to wonder: **Who are we? Where did we come from? What stories, values and traditions connect us to generations of Jewish people? Why does Judaism matter in our lives today? And what does it mean to carry our Jewish identity proudly into the world?**

And so.....I would like to ask the congregation and parents to help us with a school project. This past summer, I was given a book from Jewish Learning Venture, entitled, *'What Jewish Looks Like'* by Liz Kleinrock and Caroline Kusin Pritchard. *It's a book that looks at 36 Jewish leaders from around the world - some familiar to us - Rabbi Angela Warnick Buchdahl, violinist Itzhak Perlman and actress, author and activist Marlee Matlin along with some Jewish leaders who we may have never heard about before - Ezra Frech, paralympic athlete; Judith Heumann, disability rights activist (from Philadelphia!) and Qian Julie Wang, Civil Rights Lawyer and Author (from China!). Each person was asked the question: "What does Jewish look like to you?" Their answers were thought provoking. Religious leader Uri Ben Baruch shared that Jewish looks like 'leading with purpose'. Disability Rights Activist Judith Heuman shared "organizing for change" and dancer, choreographer Sara Levi-Tanai shared 'connecting with your roots to reimagine what's possible'.*

Our question to you is: What Does Jewish Look Like (or feel like!) to you? There is no right or wrong answer. There's no need to stress about your answer. It can be as short as one or two sentences or as long as you want. Our students will be interested in hearing what you have to share (and I will present responses anonymously to them, unless you would like your name associated with your answer). It would be great if you could respond via email to Ellen Glassman at cbentschool@gmail.com, snail mail to my attention, or tuck a letter into the mailbox standing outside of Larry Gorson-Marrow's office door near the brown bench. Thank you for helping our students learn and reinforce their Jewish identity!

Miss Andi and Morah Ellen kick off a new school year with K'tonton and sing, dance and learn about the High Holidays!



A Sukkah for a rainy day.....

The second set up of the Sukkah. Thank you gentlemen for working twice as hard this year!



The first Wednesday at the Mensch Making Academy was kicked off with Shofar blowing, singing and learning!



SISTERHOOD



Many of us grew up with “Chicken Soup” being the magic cure for any health condition. Welcome to 2026, where we have extended the cure to include Emotional Support, Get Well, Bride and Groom and **EAGLES** hand knitted/crocheted chickens!! These stuffed, allergy free, washable, chickens are 15” W x 8”H. They are colorful and huggable and will provide support and entertainment for adults and children alike, while producing funds for CBENT. The chickens are \$50 each. The Bride & Groom as well as the EAGLES chickens need to be **ordered in advance**. We only have a few people knitting them, so there may be a wait to receive them. We’ll show the EAGLES in the next addition of the Shofar as they are still in the nest and not ready to make their debut. If you have anyone who would like to help craft our chickens, please have them get in touch with me. They don’t have to be members of CBENT or belong to our crafting group.

Another fund raiser is a chance to **win 2 tickets** to the Philadelphia Orchestra with your choice of many performances. These tickets were donated to us as a “thank you” for our support over the years to the Ensemble Arts at the Kimmel Center and to help us raise funds. In addition to selling them to friends and neighbors, you can also buy them as gifts. The raffles are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Send me your name (or the names of others with their contact numbers). Checks can be made out to CBENT Sisterhood and sent to the office. The winner will be picked at our Whine and Cheese on October 12. Good luck and thanks for your support. If you are using VENMO, search for @BethEl-School. Please make sure you write "Sisterhood Raffle" in the description. Look for this logo.



Thanks so much.

Our annual Whine and Cheese will be at the home of Diane Schwarz, [10 Dartmouth Lane. Broomall](#). Make sure to **RSVP to Marilyn Bamash** (marilynsisterhood@yahoo.com) to help Diane plan an exciting evening for us.

Yours in Sisterhood,
Marilyn





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In Honor of Marshall Noye's wedding!

Elaine & Joseph Zeitlin

In Honor of Marc Belitsky Bar Mitzvah Anniversary



MEN'S CLUB

Shalom Chaverim,

If you are feeling a little stuck this new year, please attend our activities to help get you moving.

A Huge Thank You for Our Volunteers! They say, "If you build it, they will come," and our community certainly did. Thank you to the dedicated volunteers who helped set up this year's sukkah. Your hard work allowed our members to gather and fulfill the beautiful mitzvah "to dwell" in the sukkah together during the week.

Join Our Fall Cleanup Crew Embrace the crisp autumn weather and help us tidy up! Join us on Sunday, October 25, for our fall cleanup. We're looking for volunteers to help rake, sweep, and clear debris around the property.

Eagles Watch Party  E-A-G-L-E-S! Calling all sports fans—join us at noon on Sunday, November 8, to cheer on the Eagles as they take on the Giants. Fans of all ages are welcome! There is a nominal \$15 fee for the afternoon, which includes nosh and beverages.

Group Night with the Flyers  Let's go Flyers! We are organizing a group outing to watch the Flyers face off against the NY Islanders on Thursday, December 3. The puck drops at 7:00 PM. If you're interested in joining the fun, please reach out. Full details are posted in the weekly notices.

You can find my contact information in ShulCloud—please reach out!

Ray Krautheim

The first set up of the Sukkah.....
Before the Nor'easter decided to hit the
East coast.

Bernett Fund

Bonnie & Gary Bernett

In memory of Allan Shassian

Joan & Ben Rose

In memory of Muriel Cohen



CBENT MEN'S CLUB

JOIN US FOR
FLYERS HOCKEY!
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3rd



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TICKETS: \$52 each.

(Section 204A)

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Shalom. My name is Rev. Kayla Sadowy, MMT, MT-BC. I am a board-certified music therapist with over a decade of experience in grief and bereavement counselling. I was invited by Rabbi Michal, as a colleague who is an ordained Lutheran (ELCA) pastor serving at Grace Lutheran Church in Broomall, to lead this new initiative at CBENT starting *Wednesday, October 15, at 2:00 PM at CBENT.*

Grief can be caused by so many circumstances - death, divorce, estrangement, change in health, retirement, relocation, and many more. Yet the experience of loss can be unifying. Together we will explore what grief can be revealing to us and help us make sense of it. We may never be “over it,” but grief can be a manageable traveling companion on the journey of life.

If you are interested in joining this group, please RSVP to pastorkayla@gracebroomall.org. There is a suggested donation of \$18, Chai, but no one will be turned away.

I look forward to connecting with you.

L'Shalom,

Reverend Kayla Sadowy



GRIEF CIRCLE

You Don't Have to Walk This Journey Alone

A SAFE SPACE FOR
HEALING, SHARING & SUPPORT

Grief can feel overwhelming, but you do not have to carry it alone. Our Grief Circle provides a warm, supportive environment where participants can share their experiences, find comfort in community, and receive guidance from professional emotional supporters. Whether your loss is recent or years past, you are welcome to join us as we navigate the journey of healing together.

TIME: Starting October 15
Once a month on Thursdays at 2:00 PM

LOCATION: Beth El Ner-Tamid

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
Rabbi Michal
mmorrisriskamil@gmail.com


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Mensch Making Academy

LOOKING AHEAD...

	9/9	Selichot program, Music & treats, Wed 7:30pm
	9/10-9/11	Challah pickup! School Fundraiser, Thurs 3:00pm-6:00pm, Fri 9:30am-3:00pm
	9/12	Rosh Hashanah, Youth/Teen services + babysitting 10:30am-12:30pm
	9/13	Rosh Hashanah (no Mensch Making Academy) Tashlich service, Dozer Park approx. 1:00pm
	9/16	First day of (Wed) Mensch Making Academy! 4:00pm
	9/20	Erev Yom Kippur (no Mensch Making Academy)
	9/21	Yom Kippur, Youth/Teen services + babysitting 10:30am-12:30pm
	9/23	Mensch Making Academy, Wed 4:00pm
	9/26	Sukkot/ Shabbat services 9:45am
	9/27	Sukkot & Family programming/ Opening day for Mensch Making Academy, Mini Mensch Academy, 9:00am, Lunch 12:00pm
	10/3	Ruach Hadash Simchat Torah, Sat 6:00pm, Mini Mensch 5:30pm
	10/4	Simchat Torah (no Mensch Making Academy)
	10/7	Mensch Making Academy, Wed 4:00pm
	10/11	Mensch Making Academy, Better Together, Sunday 9:00am, JRA field trip
	10/14	Mensch Making Academy, Wed 4:00pm
	10/18	Mensch Making Academy, Blessing of the Animals, bring pets at 9:00am to be blessed!
	10/21	Mensch Making Academy, Wed 4:00pm
	10/22	Bingo! Hebrew School fundraiser, 7:00pm
	10/25	Mensch Making Academy, 9:00am, Parent education with Rabbi Michal, 11:00am
	10/28	Mensch Making Academy, Wed 4:00pm



HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED AN

Adult B'Mitzvah

or 2nd Experience?

It's never too late to deepen your Jewish journey, strengthen your connection, and celebrate **who you are today.**

It's never
too late to
celebrate this
*meaningful
milestone!*



Join us for an **Adult B'Mitzvah Journey** –
a warm, welcoming opportunity to learn,
grow, and prepare for this special
Jewish new life-cycle moment together.



LEARN

Explore timeless
wisdom and
Jewish teachings.



GROW

All levels
welcome! We'll
meet you where
you are.



CONNECT

Deepen your
spiritual practice
and connection.



COMMUNITY

Learn together.
Support each other.
Build lasting
friendships.



CELEBRATE

Experience the joy
and pride of
becoming
B'Mitzvah!

It's never too late to learn. To grow. To connect. To celebrate.



Ready to learn more?

REACH OUT TO RABBI MICHAL
mmorriskamil@gmail.com



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Invite a Friend. Grow Our Family.

Sometimes, all it takes to find a synagogue home is having a friend open the door. Grow our community and **save \$250.**



The warmest welcome starts with you.

Some of the very best additions to our CBENT family begin with a simple invitation from someone who already knows and loves our community.



Do you have a friend, neighbor, colleague, or family member who might be looking for a synagogue to call home?



Invite them to join you at a Shabbat service, holiday celebration, social event, educational program—or simply introduce them to us and help them discover all that CBENT has to offer.



*Together,
we build community.
Together,
we belong.*



YOUR INVITATION COULD BE WORTH **\$250!**



After your referral completes their first year of complimentary membership and pays full dues for their second year, you will receive a **\$250 credit** toward your own annual dues.



It's our way of saying **thank you** for helping our congregation grow—one friendship, one introduction, and one new family at a time.

≡ *Know someone who might love CBENT?* ≡



Invite them.



Introduce them.



Welcome them.



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One invitation. One connection. A stronger **CBENT.**



CREATIVE CRAFTERS STITCH INTO Fall!

JOIN OUR FALL KNITTING GATHERING!

The **Creative Crafters** at CBENT
meet twice a month at
Wesley Enhanced Living



You're invited to knit, crochet, needlepoint,
sew, make jewelry or any other crafts.
All are welcome to join in on the fun to
create their work in a friendly environment.
We are working together to make items
to benefit various charities.



♥ DATES: ♥

October 1 & 15 • November 5 & 19 • December 3 & 17

For more information contact
Marilyn Bamash
at marilynsisterhood@yahoo.com



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THE MINI MENSCH ACADEMY

CELEBRATES



Saturday, October 3
5:30 PM
Featuring Miss Andi!

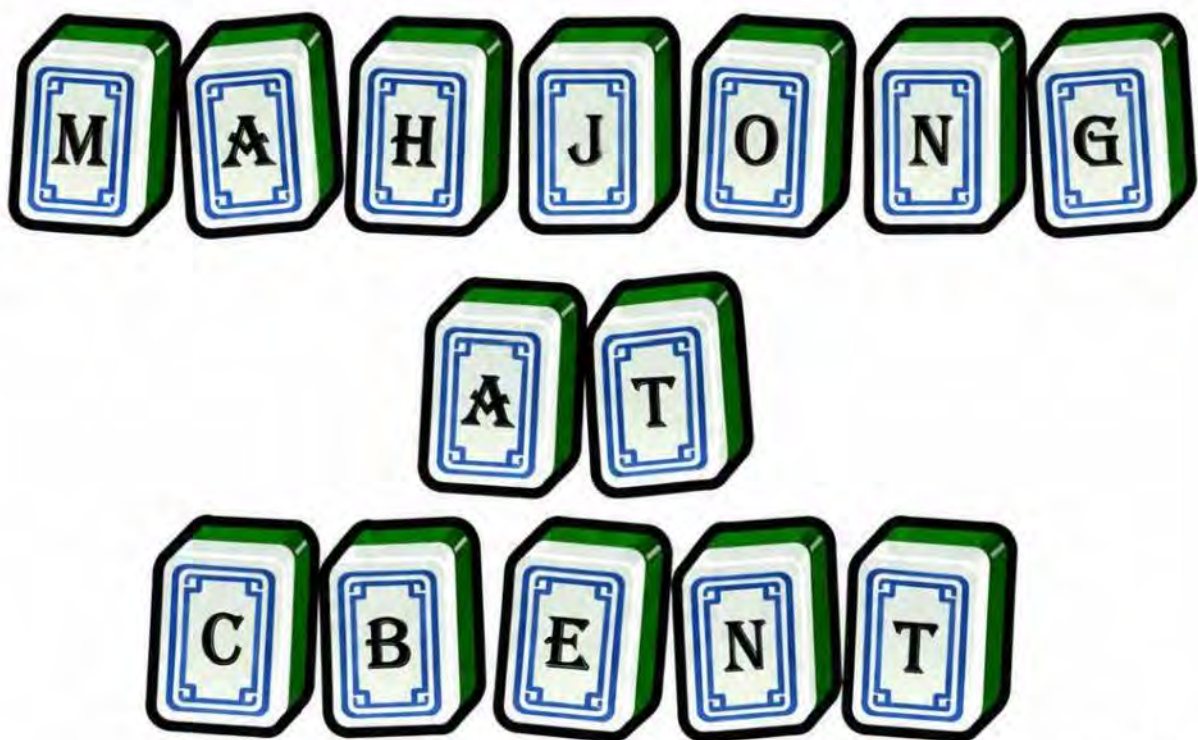
The Mensch Making Academy and the entire congregation are invited to Simchat Torah dinner at 6pm.

Reservations are required by Tuesday, September 29.

Contact Ellen Glassman at cbentschool@gmail.com to ensure that we have enough seating and food for all!



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Questions> Call or Text:

Penny Meyers 610-306-1206 or
Elizabeth Brunswick at 425-736-3064

Tuesday, **September 30**

Tuesday, **October 7**

Tuesday, **October 21**

Tuesday, **November 4**

Tuesday, **November 18**

Tuesday, **December 2**

Tuesday, **December 16**

Tuesday, **January 6**

Tuesday, **January 20**

6:30 - 8:30 PM

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ON ZOOM

12:15 PM – 1:00 PM

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Come Welcome Shabbat with us!



Friday, October 9, 7:00 PM

We will be bringing in this Shabbat with pride and joy as we celebrate our New Board Members, and Synagogue Officers.

Installation of Synagogue Officers,
Board of Directors, Executive Board, and School Board
Kabbalat Shabbat Service
Desserts following service

RSVP! RSVP to Installation Shabbat 10-9-2026

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CBENT JRA Trip

Join us for a day of giving back!

Help us pack and deliver food to families
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Sunday, October 11
8:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Transportation Provided!

The bus leaves CBENT promptly at 9:00 AM.

Registration Required!

Please sign up by 12:00 PM on October 6.

Contact Ed Director at
maraw@cbent.org
with any questions.

Detailed directions, along with
the signup link, will follow.





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Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan



Join Rabbi Michal Morris Kamil
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Rosh Chodesh Service

Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan
Wednesday, October 14
7:30 on Zoom



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Creating Mensches (good people!)
For Repairing Our World.

The Blessing of the Animals



**Bring your pets, real or stuffed
to be blessed by our Clergy**

Sunday, Oct. 18th at 9:00 AM

Jungle John and his animals to follow

Contact Education Director, Maraw@cbent.org with questions.



Creating Mensches (good people) for repairing our world

Sunday, October 18 • 10:30-11:30AM

A special

MINI MENSCH ACADEMY!

Blessing of the Animals

Encourage your child to bring their favorite stuffed animal as we learn about Kindness to Animals.

Special Program: Singing with Miss Andi and Learning with Jungle John!

Meet "Wally Gator" – a 5 1/2 foot American alligator, "Larry Boa" – a 10-foot boa constrictor, and a dozen other reptiles to learn about.

RSVP to Ellen Glassman at cbentschool@gmail.com or text/call at 302-750-7135 to ensure that we have enough seating and snacks for all!



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NIGHT!

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Thursday, October 22, 2026

Doors open at 6:30 pm

Bingo admission - \$25 per person
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Additional Bingo cards must be purchased with cash.



ADULTS ONLY

RSVP to insure seating 610-356-8700

Bring Cash ONLY—All prizes are cash

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October 23

December 18

January 29

6:30 PM

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Tickets: \$20
Limited quantity



RSVP by October 30
Dianeschwartz10@gmail.com



Meet at the theatre at 12:45 p.m.
Need a ride? Meet at CBENT at 11:45 a.m.

If you need a ride, please let us know when you RSVP.



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October 2026

Tishrei/Cheshvan 5787

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Morning Minyan - 7:15 AM	2 Kabbalat Shabbat Service - 7:00 PM	3 Shemini Atzeret/Shabbat Service - 9:45 AM Mini Mensch Simchat Torah - 5:30 PM Ruach Hadash Simchat Torah - 6:00 PM
	4 Simchat Torah No Religious School Tikkun Simchat Torah - 10:00 AM	5 Morning Minyan - 7:15 AM Men's Club Meeting - 7:00 PM	6 Evening Minyan - 7:00 PM Religious Committee Meeting - 7:30 PM	7 Lunch & Learn - 12:15 PM Mensch Making Academy - 4:00 PM Advanced Beginners Hebrew - 5:00 PM Mahjong with Penny - 6:30 PM Evening Minyan - 7:00 PM	8 Morning Minyan - 7:15 AM Lunch & Learn - Torah Study - 12:15 PM	9 Officer Installation - 7:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service - 7:00 PM
11 Rosh Chodesh JRA Trip - 8:30 AM Mensch Making Academy - 9:00 AM Morning Minyan - 9:30 AM Better Together - 10:30 AM	12 Rosh Chodesh OFFICE CLOSED Morning Minyan - 7:15 AM Sisterhood Whine & Cheese - 6:00 PM	13 Evening Minyan - 7:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting - 7:30 PM	14 Mensch Making Academy - 4:00 PM Advanced Beginners Hebrew - 5:00 PM Evening Minyan - 7:00 PM Rosh Chodesh with Rabbi Michal & Sisterhood - 7:30 PM	15 Morning Minyan - 7:15 AM Lunch & Learn Torah Study - 12:15 PM Grief Circle (in Person) - 2:00 PM Membership Committee Meeting - 7:30 PM	16 Kabbalat Shabbat Service - 7:00 PM	17 Shabbat Service - 9:45 AM
18 Blessing of the Animals - 9:00 AM Mensch Making Academy - 9:00 AM Morning Minyan - 9:30 AM Mini Mensch Academy - 10:30 AM	19 Morning Minyan - 7:15 AM Finance Committee Meeting - 7:30 PM	20 Evening Minyan - 7:00 PM	21 Lunch & Learn - 12:15 PM Mensch Making Academy - 4:00 PM Advanced Beginners Hebrew - 5:00 PM Mahjong with Penny - 6:30 PM Evening Minyan - 7:00 PM Security Committee Meeting - 7:45 PM	22 Morning Minyan - 7:15 AM Lunch & Learn - Torah Study - 12:15 PM Bingo - 6:30 PM	23 Rabbi's Table - 6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service - 7:00 PM	24 Shabbat Service - 9:45 AM
25 Mensch Making Academy - 9:00 AM Morning Minyan - 9:30 AM Parents Education - 11:00 AM Book Club Meeting - 12:00 PM	26 Morning Minyan - 7:15 AM	27 Evening Minyan - 7:00 PM Board of Director's Meeting - 7:30 PM	28 Mensch Making Academy - 4:00 PM Advanced Beginners Hebrew - 5:00 PM JEPP Security Training - 6:30 PM	29 Morning Minyan - 7:15 AM Lunch & Learn - Torah Study - 12:15 PM	30 Kabbalat Shabbat Service - 7:00 PM	31 Shabbat Service - 9:45 AM



October Birthdays

Michael Brunswick – 10/04
Linda Barone – 10/04
Ronald Cohen – 10/06
Andrea Goldstein – 10/08
Steven Friedrich – 10/14
April Wolfe – 10/14
Jonathan Herron – 10/15
Richard Brody – 10/18
Joan Rose – 10/18
Arthur Cohen – 10/21
Jennifer Shrager – 10/29
Franklin Levin – 10/31
David Wolfe – 10/31
Mark Millman – 10/31



October Anniversary

Rhonda & Lawrence Cetlin – 10/01
Meaghan Messner & Larry Copelovitch – 10/08
Cheryl & Jonathan Kochavi – 10/10
Jill & Robert Samberg – 10/11
Marcie & Franklin Levin – 10/12
Andrea & Max Goldstein – 10/20
Lisa & Raymond Krautheim – 10/21
Karen & Mark Bernstein – 10/24
Jennifer & Jason Spector – 10/24
Sarah Wolf & Richard Gordon – 10/25
Karen & Adam Poppel – 10/25
Diane & Richard Schwartz – 10/29



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Vision: Congregation Beth El – Ner Tamid aspires to be the heart of our Jewish community, supporting the religious, social, and emotional needs of our diverse population, with an open invitation to explore and celebrate Judaism.

Values: Congregation Beth El – Ner Tamid centers itself around these five sets of core principles:

• **Community & Inclusivity:** We aim to create a warm and caring family environment where Jews of all ages, backgrounds, races, abilities, gender identities, sexual orientations, and their loved ones feel welcome and Respected

• **Religious Connection & Spirituality:** We create opportunities for people to form meaningful connections with each other and to bring spirituality into their lives

• **Lifelong Learning & Inspiration:** We encourage people of all generations to explore Jewish identity, heritage, and community and to celebrate Judaism through a variety of religious, educational, and social activities

• **Tradition & Adaptation:** We cherish the rituals and practices of Judaism while adapting to current times, appreciating the values of both tradition and modernity

• **Social Action & Tikkun Olam:** We wholeheartedly support the needs of our wider community in collaboration with other religious and secular institutions.

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