October 2015
Tishrei / Cheshvan 5776

Photos from our September Open House taken by Donna Harley
The Minyannaires at Congregation Beth Shalom conduct services every morning, providing the opportunity for prayer, life cycle events, and mourners to say Kaddish. In addition, the Morning Minyan raises funds to fill various needs of the synagogue.

On August 16th, Sam Swinger, congregant and friend, was recognized and thanked for his many years of devoted service to the Albert H. Berlin Morning Minyan at CBS, during a special Rosh Chodesh minyan.

Until his recent retirement, Sam was the person in charge of the morning minyan at the synagogue. He single-handedly made sure that there were ten adults present whenever a mourner needed to say Kaddish, bought food and prepared the breakfast each morning, served as head gabbai during Torah services, and managed the minyan group’s finances.

During this special service, run entirely by Minyannaires and attended by over 50 congregants, Sam was called to the Torah for an aliyah in acknowledgement and with profound thanks for his countless years of unswerving daily commitment. Sam received special blessings and was presented with a large acorn-shaped plaque inscribed with his name and placed on the synagogue’s Tree of Life wall (located in the atrium), in recognition of all he has done on behalf of his fellow congregants.

Following the service, the morning concluded with a special breakfast for Sam presented by the Minyannaires. We are indebted to his devotion.

Edward Sobel, President-Elect
Board of Directors

CELEBRATION OF THE ANIMALS

Join us on Sunday, October 18th for our annual Celebration of the Animals, from 12:30pm to 1:00pm. Congregants are welcome to bring their well-behaved pets or photos of them to share introductions, blessings, and memories of their special companions. Rabbi Michael will lead a special kaddish for pets no longer with us. The entire congregation is welcome to participate.
Second Friday, October 9, 2015, 8:00pm
No! It’s Not Your Bubbe’s Kosher Butcher
Guest Darshan, Dr. Roger Horowitz

Many of us recall our mother’s and bubbe’s (grandmother’s) kosher butcher; the corner market, where in addition to meats, they also supplied the few kosher items of that era. Perhaps Crisco (1911), Maxwell House Coffee (1923), Rokeach Soap and Borsht (1870), Heinz Vegetarian Baked Beans (1938), as well as, Shabbat and yahrzeit candles and matzot and matzo meal for Passover. My, how things have changed! Every city, including ones with a small Jewish population, has a supermarket with a kosher section containing a variety of kosher foods that, as Tevye would say “enough to cross a rabbi’s eyes.”

You might be asking, “how did this all come about?” Join us on Second Friday as we welcome our guest darshan, Dr. Roger Horowitz, as he shares the saga: “From the Kosher Butcher Shop to the Supermarket,” the untold history of the commercial kosher food industry in America. Dr. Horowitz, Director, Center of Business, Technology and Society of the Hagley Museum and Library will soon publish a book on this subject; “Kosher USA, A Journey Through Its History” and will treat us to a gourmet sampling of his research.

With a Ph.D. in History from the University of Wisconsin (1990), Dr. Horowitz has published widely on labor, business and food history as well as oral history methodology. His recent publications include Putting Meat on the American Table (2005), ”That Was a Dirty Job!” Technology and Workplace Hazards in Meatpacking over the Long Twentieth Century” (2008), and "Meat for the Multitudes: Market Culture in Paris, New York City, and Mexico City over the 'Long' Nineteenth Century" (2004). He is active in professional organizations, currently serving as secretary-treasurer (executive director) for the Business History Conference and as a member of the Oral History Association Executive Council.

Join us for most interesting subject. (And yes!) We will conclude the evening with an Oneg Shabbat, kosher of course!

Picture credits:
Top-right, Dr. Roger Horwitz; Hagley Museum and Library
Middle-left, Chicken Market, 55 Hester Street, Manhattan, February 11, 1937; Brooklyn Museum Collection

SAVE THE DATE

The Jazz Singer as Metaphor: Jews, Music, Movies and America
With Rabbi Lance Sussman

Sunday, November 15, 2015, 7:00PM

Sponsored by the
Rabbi Jacob Kraft Educational Foundation
2015-2016 Trustees: Gary Harad, Chair; Steven Klein, Bethany Kutz, Myrna Ryder, Edward Sobel, and Bonnie Zahn
FROM OUR CANTOR: INTRODUCING OUR 5776 TEACHING STAFF

Our teachers and ozrim (teacher’s assistants) work tremendously hard to give the future leaders of our synagogue a strong and positive Jewish foundation. Although our teachers teach Hebrew School on a part-time basis, many put additional hours preparing for their students and working in their classrooms outside of school hours. Most of our ozrim are teens who grew up attending the CBS Hebrew School and had such a great experience that they have carved time out of their busy schedules to give back to the next generation of students. Ozrim not only help out in class, but also work one-on-one with students who need extra help, set up snacks and projects, and read library books to the children. In addition, our teachers mentor our ozrim allowing them to take on more responsibilities, such as teaching periodic lessons and leading the class in projects. Next time you see one of our Hebrew School teachers or ozrim, I encourage you to thank them for their hard work and dedication. Kol HaKavod, Morim v’Ozrim!

Cantor Elisa Abrams Casuto

Upcoming Important Dates to Remember:
October 31 9:30am Shabbaton
December 6 10:00am ChanukaFest at JCC
December 19 9:30am Shabbaton
January 24 9:00am Tu B’Shvat Seder
January 30 9:30am Upper Grade Havdallah
additional dates posted online

DID YOU PICK YOUR MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY AT THE CBS OPEN HOUSE ON SEPTEMBER 20???

If not, no worries. We will be mailing them to you! But, if you can save the synagogue some postage, would you consider picking your copy up at the shul? Not only will you find this year’s directory to be a useful reference for contacting other fellow congregants, but you will read about the many programs and offerings uniquely happening at Congregation Beth Shalom. As an added bonus, you can also pick up the complete calendar of events coming in this new year 5776.
SCRAPPING SYNAGOGUE DUES… OH MY!

Hoping that headline got your attention! This past month, the Board of Directors discussed an article entitled Scrapping Synagogue Dues: A Case Study. It is important to note that we are not suggesting or proposing our synagogue consider this now or anytime in the immediate future. Our discussion items are meant to inform our leadership of best practices, innovative programs and trends related to congregations in general and conservative synagogues in particular. We try to keep the discussion on a high level without talking too much about our circumstances here at CBS. The goal of these discussions is to give our leadership information and time to consider general issues and trends so that when (or if) the time comes to make considerations for our congregation, we are better prepared to deliberate and make informed decisions.

The article focused on one suburban conservative congregation in Boston that was facing a significant problem of declining revenue from dues. Families were deciding they would rather NOT belong to the synagogue, than pay the increasingly higher dues. Of course, some families would ask for abatement but that process became onerous and demeaning and many of those families eventually chose to leave. They considered “fair share” dues whereby the synagogue pegs the amount of dues to the adjusted gross income of the family – but they did not feel comfortable with that approach. They eventually decided to go with an entirely voluntary system where families simply told the synagogue how much they were going to pay after being presented with, as a guide, the sustaining amount each family would need to pay to cover annual operating expenses. Some paid more than the sustaining amount and some less. In 2008, they adopted this revised system and for the first two years revenues declined but at a lower rate than in previous years. By year four, the synagogue saw a net increase in revenue and over twenty new families had joined. They claim that this new systems has completely transformed the conversation of why members choose to affiliate and many congregants ended up giving more to the synagogue overall than they had under the old system.

To add some perspective, based on a UJA-Federation New York SYNERGY Study “Are Voluntary Dues Right for Your Synagogue?” released in 2013, researchers found that among the 26 synagogues included in the study that have adopted a voluntary system, there has been an average 4% increase in membership and an average 4.4% increase in overall revenue. The study also noted that 11 of the 26 congregations have between 251-550 member families and a majority have less than 600 member families.

What I found most interesting during the board’s discussion was how much attitudes have changed in recent years. My recollection is that in the past, when this subject came up at meetings of the Board of Directors, it was seen as controversial and quickly dismissed as “not right for us” or “it will never work here.” This time was different. This time there was an acknowledgment that we need to remain open to new ideas and continued discussion. There is much more to learn on this subject and we look forward to focusing on this and many other new ideas in the year ahead.

What do you think? Email me at president@cbswilmd.org or text me at 610-348-4035 and be sure to include your name.

Thank you and I look forward to continuing our “conversation” next month.

B’shalom,
Marla Covin Cooper
President
Congregation Beth Shalom

CELEBRATION OF SUKKOT

Join us on Sunday, October 4h for a festive sing-a-long and Havdalah at Rabbi Michael and Elissa Green-Beals home in celebration of Sukkot. All congregants are welcome, rain or shine, beginning at 7:00pm. Please bring a dessert to share. The Rabbi’s home is at 611 Berwick Road in Talleyville. We look forward to seeing you there!
NEW YOUTH GROUPS COME TO CBS

Back to school supplies this year should include a social calendar for youth at Congregation Beth Shalom. They will be very busy! We now have new social groups for pre-teens and post-b’nei mitzvah young people.

Atid (Ah-teed) means “future” and is the youth group or club for students in grades three to five. Atid will meet for social activities and trips, creating lasting Jewish friendships and a social relationship with Beth Shalom. Their first program was a “Games Fest” held on Sunday, September 27th from 12:30pm - 2:30pm at CBS.

Machar (Mah-char) means “tomorrow.” It is the youth group for sixth to eighth graders. This group will participate in a mix of social, leadership and community involvement programs. This is a fun experience for CBS youth leading up to and following their b’nei mitzvah. Machar also provides valuable youth group experience prior to these teens being eligible for high school aged groups such as BBYO. Their first program will be a “Games Fest” but held on Sunday Oct 4th from 12:30pm - 2:30pm at CBS.

Expect a robust calendar of activities and even some new words. For example, the lower-level multi-purpose room will now be called Club Kef (fun). And programs and events may also be referred to as Kefs. Don’t worry. You will get used to it.

We also take this opportunity to introduce our new youth advisor, Joshua Rudley who is responsible for programming both groups.

Josh comes to us from York, Pennsylvania where he taught Hebrew School and held leadership positions in several youth groups including BBYO. He was president of Hillel at Shippensburg University, where he triple-majored in Entrepreneurship, Marketing, and Management. Throughout his professional and personal life Josh has been an active member of the Jewish community and has helped develop young people and youth organizations. Josh is also the assistant marketing director at the Siegel JCC.

Josh Rudley, Youth Advisor

Cantor Elisa Abrams Casuto

ATID AND MACHAR MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: ________________________ Age: _____ Grade: _____ CBS member: ____ Non-member: ____

Address: ______________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________

Home Phone Number: _______________________________ E-mail Address: ______________________

Parent E-mail Address: ____________________________________________

Annual memberships in CBS Youth Groups are $10 for synagogue members and $25 for non-members.

Checks can be made payable to Congregation Beth Shalom. Please include the name of the youth group placed on the memo line. Atid is for students in grades 3-5. Machar is for students in grades 6-8.

My child has permission to be a member of the Congregation Beth Shalom Youth Group Program.
Parent/Guardian Name: __________________________________

Signature: _____________________________________________ Date: ____________________________
We started off the year with a fun trip to the lovely Mt. Cuba Gardens, then made honey cakes and enjoyed the High Holy Days with new chairs and Bimah Flowers provided by Sisterhood! We ended Yom Kippur with our annual break-the-fast with an exciting year planned ahead. We hope that you will consider joining us and getting involved!

On October 3 we are co-sponsoring a Jewish Folk Singer for CBS, at the Siegel JCC at 7:30pm. This fun family event is no charge for CBS members. (See below for more detail).

Join us for our annual CBS SISTERHOOD PAID-UP MEMBERSHIP BRUNCH featuring AWARD-WINNING STORYTELLER, Peninnah Schram on Sunday, November 8, 2015, from 10:00am – 12:00pm. Peninnah will be discussing her latest book, “Jewish Stories of Love and Marriage: Folktales, Legends and Letters.” Brunch is complimentary for all paid 2015-2016 Sisterhood members. This means if you have paid already for this year (i.e., last Rosh Hashanah membership is good through 12/31/15, the new end date), or are new and have your first year’s complimentary membership, you are welcome to join us for no additional cost! Guests are welcome too, for $18. Please RSVP by November 1, 2015 to sisterhood@cbswagenme.org (Checks payable to “CBS Sisterhood”) OR online at www.bethshalomwilmington.org/sisterhood Memberships for 2016 are now being accepted. Our membership dues schedule now follows the calendar year as with synagogue dues.

SAVE THE DATE for these upcoming programs occurring in 2016:
January 23 – wine & cheese TU B’SHEVAT SEDER
February 6 – Sisterhood Shabbat!
   with Men’s Club cooking again
February 20 – we are the sponsor of the
   COMMUNITY GAME NIGHT this year!
February/March – Mishloach Manot
March 26 – Purim dance!

PLEASE HELP US WELCOME Kate Nolt who has not only recently joined CBS, but immediately took on the role of “Website Manager!” Thanks to her and Hayim Weiss, the Sisterhood webpage is updated and looks terrific!

Please call us to get involved in these or new programs of your design! We look forward to meeting all the women at CBS.

Sincerely,
Elaine Schmerling & Jodie Pezzner,
Co-Presidents of Sisterhood

VP Membership: Beth Ledger
VP Programming: Lisa Kletter and Laurie Hazen
VP of Religious Life: Jessica Imber
VP Communications: Kara Haines
Treasurer: Debbie Grossman
Recording Secretary: Linda Saccamondo
Website Manager: Kate Nolt
Members-at-Large: Frances Ratner
Judy Zucker:

Save the Date: Saturday, October 3

Sukkot, Song & Chocolate
Les “Doc” Rachlin

7:30 pm

Siegel JCC Auditorium
Free Concert for the Community
S’Mores and more around our “virtual” campfire
Bring a lawn chair or blanket

“A Storyteller and Folk Singer celebrating Jewish Song Writers and Music Makers”

“From Broadway to Motown, Doc will transform the night into a sing-a-long for all ages”

Les started his folk singing career in the early seventies playing the coffee houses and taverns of Reading, Pa. A singer and guitarist based out of New York and Philadelphia. He was lucky enough to do openers for such artists as Johnny Cash, Conway Twitty and Loretta Lynn. Now Les’s performances are a mixture of traditional songs and works of the great singer songwriters, as well as a tale or two about the songs he sings. For more information, contact Congregation Beth Shalom, 302-654-4462. RSVP by 9/25.
CBS SISTERHOOD
PAID-UP MEMBERSHIP BRUNCH

Featuring
AWARD-WINNING STORYTELLER
Peninnah Schram

Sunday, November 8, 2015
10am -12pm

Peninnah will be discussing her latest book, “Jewish Stories of Love and Marriage: Folktales, Legends and Letters.”

Brunch is complimentary for all paid 2015-2016 Sisterhood members

Basic Membership: $36
Contributory Membership: $72
Guests are Welcome: $18

Checks made payable to CBS Sisterhood

RSVP by November 1, 2015 to sisterhood@cbswilmd.org

ZERO Prostate Cancer Run/Walk
Sunday, October 11, 9:00am
Brandywine Park and Zoo

One in seven American men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in his lifetime. That’s one in seven fathers, sons, husbands, brothers, partners, and friends. No one wants the men in their lives to be faced with this disease. You can be part of saving lives and keeping families together. Come out and support this great cause along with event sponsor Brandywine Urology Consultants. Sign up with Team Congregation Beth Shalom!

Brews with Jews™ Thursday, October 15, 7:30 – 10:30pm @ Stoney’s
Join the guys of the Men’s Club at Stoney’s, for some cold beers, munchies and some laughs. What better way to enjoy a fall evening. Bring your friends and join in the fun. Men’s Club membership or Jewish affiliation not required. Men’s Club Super Bowl Block Pool squares will be available for purchase from David Fruchtman at $10/block.

Fall Membership Brunch/Presentation
Sunday, November 15, 10:00am – 12:00pm @ CBS Social Hall
Schmooze with old friends, and new ones you haven’t met yet! Guest speaker will be renowned sex therapist and author, Dr. Debra Laino. Anyone may attend. Admission is FREE for Men’s Club members. $10 for non-members. Enjoy a complimentary pancake breakfast. Mimosas will be served. Visit the Men’s Club webpage to order your tickets.
This month's new member “highlight” is Phyliss Katz. Phyliss was born and raised in Philadelphia, and for the past 10 years has lived in Bensalem, Pa.

Phyliss is the mother of Pam-Sue Schwartz (Michael), Cheryl Cohen and Jeffrey Katz. Pam-Sue and Michael are members of Congregation Beth Shalom; Michael's parents were one of the founding families! Cheryl lives in Pleasanton, Ca, and Jeffrey lives in Malvern, Pa.

Phyliss is a proud Bubbie of seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Phyliss has always been actively involved in Jewish organizations. When she was nineteen years old and living in Philadelphia she became the city president of junior Hadassah. Other leadership roles include serving as president of her synagogue's sisterhood and president of one of the senior clubs at a JCC in northeast Philadelphia.

Now residing in Wilmington, Phyliss continues to be involved in many activities and committees, serving as co-chair of her residents' activities committee, treasurer of the residents' association, and treasurer of the fellowship fund. A very busy lady, indeed!

When Phyliss decided to join Congregation Beth Shalom, she immediately jumped into our synagogue life. Under the tutelage of Cantor Elisa, Phyliss became a Bat Mitzvah in the spring of 2014. Like many of our “traditional” bar and bat mitzvah students, she received a backpack and compass to signify a new journey in life. She has only praise for our Rabbi and Cantor, and is looking forward to spending the high holy days with her Wilmington and our Congregation Beth Shalom family.

Phyliss, we are glad you have chosen Congregation Beth Shalom, and are eager to get to know you. Welcome to our congregation! 

Ruth Hochheiser
Membership Committee

Photo by Pam-Sue Schwartz

Today, Tomorrow and TOGETHER

CREATE A Jewish Legacy DELAWARE

join us for BBG SHABBAT FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16 6:30PM
SUMMER OF FUN AT CBS ENDS WITH SEVERAL “CHAI NOTES”

The summertime Shabbat Under the Stars series, held at the JCC picnic grove was a huge success! Thank you to Cantor Elisa Casuto, Rabbi Ellen Bernhardt, Debbie Nachlis, Rabbi Jeremy Winaker and Meredith Weiss for helping to lead our services! Thank you to Jodie Pezzner, Sam Nussbaum and William Taylor for organizing the events.

The Ruach soared as our Klezmer band, the “Chai Notes”, provided musical accompaniment to the service. Shabbat Under the Stars is enjoyable for all ages. People sang joyously to the Shabbat prayers. Children danced under the trees while their parents and grandparents swayed back and forth in their seats to the beat of the Klezmer band. At our final Shabbat Under the Stars on August 21, William Taylor grilled a delicious dinner of hot dogs, hamburgers, and veggie-burgers. Yum!

On August 19, Men’s Club organized for our own Chai Notes to participate in Jewish Heritage Night at the Blue Rocks game. The Chai Notes, led by Michael Kletter, performed the national anthem, Hatikvah and Take Me Out to the Ball game (in Yiddish)! The band consists of 10 members and includes clarinets, flute, piano, guitar, bass, trumpet, drums, percussion and mandola/violin. Meredith Weiss and Jessica Imber also provided vocal accompaniment.

The Klezmer Band has a full slate of gigs scheduled at CBS for the upcoming year. There are also plans for all the local Klezmer bands to come together for a community event in 2016. Our band is available for hire at your upcoming Simchas! Contact the office for more information on hiring our Klezmer Band.

Contributed by Mike Kletter, Liz Platsis, and Jodie Pezzner
SIMCHAT TORAH CELEBRATION
HONORS CONGREGANTS
ANITA SOBEL AND BARNEY KANTAR

Celebration highlights synagogue service and leadership

Last year, Congregation Beth Shalom opted to take a year off from its long-standing tradition of honoring congregants who have made a difference in the life of our congregation. This year, we have brought it back and in so doing, we are highlighting the exemplary service of two dedicated congregants who have served the congregation for many years. This year’s recipients are Anita Sobel and Barney Kantar, our Kallah and Hattan of the Torah for our Simchat Torah Celebration to be held on Tuesday, October 6, at 9:00am.

Anita Sobel has been a member of CBS for many years. She has been a vice president of Membership, a member of our Board of Directors, and currently sits on the Executive Committee as a member-at-large responsible for the Religious Life Committee. Additionally, Anita reads Torah on a regular basis, leads our Morning Minyan from time-to-time, and has helped organize much of our synagogue artifacts. Barney Kantar has also been a member for many years. Several years ago, Barney stood up at Men’s Club meeting and asked to be involved. From there, he assumed the role of treasurer of the Men’s Club, became secretary of the Board of Directors, and now serves on the Executive Committee as our synagogue treasurer. Since retiring a few years ago, Barney has become a regular Morning Minyannaire and you can find him at almost every event our synagogue promotes.

Following our Simchat Torah Celebration services, the congregation is invited to attend a free luncheon in honor of Anita and Barney. Congregants wishing to recognize either or both of these wonderful people, may do so by making a contribution to Congregation Beth Shalom General Fund. Please RSVP for the luncheon by calling the office by October 2.

We wish a hearty mazel tov and yasher koachim to Anita and Barney for their service to CBS and our congregational community.

GREAT NEWS FROM THE GARDEN

Two years ago I asked the House & Grounds Committee if we could let the milkweed grow at the corner of 18th and Baynard (that we had been trying to get rid of up till then), in effort to help the declining monarch butterfly population. FINALLY! On August 30th we saw a beautiful monarch butterfly during the landscape cleanup.

Monarch butterflies have declined by 90% in our area over the past 2 decades. This is largely due to the fact that we are not typically permitted to grow this weed like plant and Monarchs NEED the milkweeds to eat during their caterpillar stage. Milkweed is not considered your typical landscape plant- although it is pretty and smells beautiful when it flowers.

If anyone is interested in finding good locations to plant milkweed to help save the monarchs (good b’nai mitzvah project), please contact me, and join in a national effort to save these beautiful butterflies.

Thanks to recent helpers for sprucing up CBS for the High Holy Days inside and out: Evan Brodsky, Tom Felder, Stacey Friedland, Barney Kantar, Mark Lipman, Mara Raskin, Sharon and Jamie Rosengarten, Ed and Anita Sobel, Bryna Rappaport, Ron and Celina Riebman, Jeff Schultz, and Hayim Weiss.

Thanks too to Wayne Geller for sharing his special dahlias with CBS. Look for the bamboo stakes at the back garden and one up front. We have posted his key to the different types inside the bulletin board in the atrium.

Elaine Schmerling, CBS Garden Club
elaineschmerling@gmail.com
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MC=Men’s Club  
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Holiday.

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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

October 1
Harold Gruber
Vivian Mamberg
Alan Shore
Ashton Yau

October 2
Helen Balick
Daniel Rosenthal

October 3
Sena Garber
Joseph Gillman

October 4
Abigail Saliman

October 5
Laura Greenlee Sparks
Mark Kuller

October 6
Mitchell Glass

October 7
Naomi Klein
Jacob Solomon

October 8
Tamara Albom
Barbara Jacobs
Sophia Platsis
Hannah Weile

October 9
Karen Moss

October 10
Leah Consiglio
Judy Montag
Jean Sachs
Rhonda Walter
Elizabeth Wirosloff
Eli Wolf

October 11
Scott Lehrfeld

October 12
Jack Berkowitz
Ellen Carsch
Sophie Crain
Rachel Harad
Andrea Levine

October 13
Jayson Alonzo

October 14
Jordan Appelbaum

October 15
Jennifer Gross
Marilyn Levin

October 16
Gary Alderson

October 17
Jackie Harad
Ellen Koniver
Brandon Weaver

October 18
Robert Berman
Thelma Deitcher
Jodi Kerner

October 19
Katie Glazier
Dicye Sklut

October 20
Judi Feinson
Bethany Kutz
Jodi Lessner
Terry Sklar

October 21
Daniel Katz

October 22
Steven Klein
Michael Laurence

October 23
Sheila Gardner
Miriam Platsis

October 24
Jacob Albom
Marla Cooper
Anita Stein

October 25
Jordan Cooper
Debra Goodman
Jing Han
Seham Lewis
Elisa Morris
David Schutzman
Jeffrey Stape

October 26
Ira Horden
Elsie Klein
Carol Levin

October 27
Susan Szabo

October 29
Alexander Goldman

October 30
Joshua Mussaf

ANNIVERSARIES

October 9
Margot Waitz & Gordon Manin

October 10
Joy & Mace Bloom

October 13
Linda & Michael Sigman (10/13)

October 14
Pam-Sue & Michael Schwartz

October 15
Barbara & Norman Ertel

October 16
Beverly & Wayne Geller (10/16)

October 17
Jennifer & Michael Gross

October 18
Diane & Philip Berger

October 21
Emilia Poprawa & Jim Black
Shirley & Ira Horden

October 23
Hope & Joshua Slomich

October 25
Constance & Gary Lipson

October 27
Linda & Jeffrey Drowos
Ruth Martin Hochheiser

October 31
Jodi & Benjamin Cohen

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Ambassador Dennis Ross is counselor and William Davidson Distinguished Fellow at The Washington Institute for Near East Policy. Prior to returning to the Institute in 2011, he served two years as special assistant to President Obama and National Security Council senior director for the Central Region, and a year as special advisor to Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton.

For more than twelve years, Ambassador Ross played a leading role in shaping U.S. involvement in the Middle East peace process and dealing directly with the parties in negotiations. A highly skilled diplomat, Ambassador Ross was U.S. point man on the peace process in both the George H. W. Bush and Bill Clinton administrations. He was instrumental in assisting Israelis and Palestinians to reach the 1995 Interim Agreement; he also successfully brokered the 1997 Hebron Accord, facilitated the 1994 Israel-Jordan peace treaty, and intensively worked to bring Israel and Syria together.

A scholar and diplomat with more than two decades of experience in Soviet and Middle East policy, Ambassador Ross worked closely with Secretaries of State James Baker, Warren Christopher, and Madeleine Albright. Prior to his service as special Middle East coordinator under President Clinton, Ambassador Ross served as director of the State Department’s Policy Planning Staff in the first Bush administration. In that capacity, he played a prominent role in U.S. policy toward the former Soviet Union, the unification of Germany and its integration into NATO, arms control negotiations, and the 1991 Gulf War coalition.

During the Reagan administration, he served as director of Near East and South Asian affairs on the National Security Council staff and deputy director of the Pentagon’s Office of Net Assessment. Ambassador Ross was awarded the Presidential Medal for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service by President Clinton, and Secretaries Baker and Albright presented him with the State Department’s highest award.

A 1970 graduate of UCLA, Ambassador Ross wrote his doctoral dissertation on Soviet decisionmaking, and from 1984 to 1986 served as executive director of the Berkeley-Stanford program on Soviet International Behavior. He received UCLA’s highest medal and has been named UCLA alumnus of the year. He has also received honorary doctorates from Brandeis, Amherst, Jewish Theological Seminary, and Syracuse University.


2015 Forget-Me-Not Gala

The Auxiliary of the Milton & Hattie Kutz Home requests the pleasure of your company for the Forget-Me-Not Cocktail Reception on Saturday, November 7, 2015, from 7:00-10:00PM at the Brantwyn Estate on Rockland Road. The Forget-Me-Not Reception is the major fundraiser for the Kutz Auxiliary’s efforts to improve the quality of life and support the activities for residents at the Kutz Home. This much anticipated event features a fabulous classical guitarist, Hanan Harchol. Mr. Harchol was the in-house guitarist at the Tavern On the Green for fifteen years, and is currently performing for both private and corporate functions across the Tri-State area. Reservations requested for the luscious cocktail buffet and open bar. Cocktail attire. All contributions welcome, however a minimum established contribution is required to attend.

For contribution levels and additional information, contact either of this year’s Gala chairpersons: Helene Weinberg at heleneweinberg@gmail.com or Joyce Shtofman at jshtofman@potteranderson.com.

Hadassah Tribute to the Mackler Family
Saturday Evening October 17, 2015 at AKSE

Please plan on attending an uplifting evening honoring Dr. Scott Mackler and his devoted family. Scott Andrew Mackler, MD, PhD, a physician-scientist at Penn’s Pearlman School of Medicine and the Philadelphia VA Hospital, died at age 55 on Nov. 13, 2013 after a courageous 15-year battle with ALS.

Scott Mackler left behind a legacy of brilliant research, determination, tzedakah and love of family. His courageous fight against ALS goes on as exemplified by Hadassah Medical Organization’s (HMO) pursuit of cutting-edge ALS stem cell research. Your support is critical if HMO is to continue its groundbreaking research. With your help, the prognosis for patients with ALS can and will change.

Please join us as we honor this great man and his devoted family by supporting Hadassah’s ALS research. Our evening features a kosher dinner catered by Boscov’s, testimonials to Dr. Mackler and his family, research updates from the medical community, an address by Hadassah’s Executive Director/CEO, Janice Weinman and a Silent Auction.

ALL PROCEEDS FROM THIS EVENT WILL GO TO HMO’S ALS STEM CELL RESEARCH.

For details or an invitation, please email: macklertribute@gmail.com.

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