



REBEKAH TAKES THE CAKE

Betenu's June 13 potluck introduced congregants to Rebekah Goldman, our 2015 rabbinic intern. Rebekah is shown here with a cake by Pam Blotcky. Many thanks to Pam and to all attendees!

Yard Sale Moved to July 12

Volunteers and transport vehicles needed

OUR yard sale fundraiser with Faith Episcopal Church has been rescheduled for Saturday, July 12 from 9 am to 2 pm—rain or shine. Now we need your help to transport and set up donated items! If you are available between 4-6 pm on Thursday, July 10, we'd greatly appreciate help from volunteers with vehicles. We also need folding tables.

Faith Episcopal is a longtime inter-faith partner of Betenu, catering our "Break the Fast" brunch after the High Holidays. Since they've been kind enough to share their yard sale, we want to take full advantage and raise money for temple activities. If you can't volunteer, why not stop by for a little bargain hunting?

The yard sale takes place in Faith Episcopal's front lot at 590 Daniel Webster Highway in Merrimack. To get there, simply follow US 3 (D.W. Highway) north. Or you can take the



turnpike north to Exit 12 (Bedford Road), turning right at the exit and taking a second right at the traffic light onto D.W. Highway.

Faith Episcopal is two blocks down on the right side.

But first we need volunteers. If you'd like a little exercise and fun, contact **Barbara Bailey** at 880-9355 or email beem1@comcast.net today.

President's Message: A Time of New Beginnings

by Sheryl Liberman

BETENU is heading into a new year, a new season, a new board and a new spiritual leader, **Rebekah Goldman**. Throughout the last two years, we have seen many inspiring transformations. We have also gained knowledge, familiarity and insight from our rabbinic interns, who have brought fresh ideas, dreams and visions to our congregation, its membership and religious school.

Inspiration and optimism abound in Rav Rebekah, and I'd like to share a few thoughts with you based on our Shabbat service and introductory potluck on June 13. It brought out many of Betenu's congregants, and they were easily drawn to Rebekah's quick smile and friendly nature. Her beautiful voice led us in song and prayer. Then, afterward, the oneg allowed us more time to linger and get better acquainted with Rebekah

as the Peace of Shabbat settled within.

If you were unable to attend, I hope that you can attend our next Shabbat service with Rebekah, which takes place on Friday, Aug. 8 at 7:30 pm. Won't you join us for an enjoyable Shabbat full of smiles, beautiful song, prayer and good friends?

Look forward to seeing you!



Happy Birthday

- ◆ Alexa Leary
- ◆ Rachel Lessard
- ◆ Mark Liff

Jewish Pride Night, July 22

Baseball, fireworks and kosher snacks! If you'd like to attend a Fisher Cats game on Jewish Pride Night at 7 pm on Tuesday, July 22, please call **Sheryl Liberman** at 424-4609, or email her at sam154@comcast.net. Special group tickets are limited, so get in touch today.



NEWS & NOTES

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Thank You!

- ◆ All who contributed to our Early Shavuot service oneg
- ◆ All who dished up dinner for Rav Rebekah's potluck
- ◆ All yard sale contributors—please contact the office if you would like a receipt
- ◆ Marcella Dube for her many hours of office help
- ◆ Vivian McGuire for sponsoring the June 6 oneg
- ◆ Sara Murphy for her help with our mailings

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We'll be closing out the fiscal year soon, and final bills will go out early this month if you still have a balance. Prompt payment helps us meet our year-end goals and makes us stronger in the coming year. Thank you!

Y AHRZEITS

In Loving Memory

- ◆ Richard Ehrlich
son of Marilyn & Abe Ehrlich
July
- ◆ Philip Wasserman
grandfather of Lenny Wasserman
July 3
- ◆ Arnold Satz
father of Karen Satz
July 5
- ◆ Betty Hirsch
mother of Doug Hirsch
July 5
- ◆ Sumner Fierman
father of Barbara Bailey & Elaine Schwartz
July 8
- ◆ Harriet Murphy
mother of Dan Murphy
July 8
- ◆ Beverly Chapman
mother of Deb Starin
July 13
- ◆ Michael Schwartz
brother of Bob Schwartz
July 14
- ◆ William Thompson
grandfather of Hannah & Daniel Thompson
July 16
- ◆ Earl Murphy
father of Dan Murphy
July 19
- ◆ Evelyn Noyovitz
mother of Paul Noyovitz
July 19
- ◆ Brad Robeck
brother of Amy Juscak
July 19
- ◆ Joseph Lerner
father of Arnold Lerner
July 20
- ◆ Susan Bernstein Robeck
mother of Amy Juscak
July 21
- ◆ Mildred A. Cohen
mother of Rich Cohen
July 24
- ◆ Diantha Perry Gross
July 25
- ◆ Michael Goldhaber
cousin of Sheryl Liberman
July 26
- ◆ Phyllis Joy Meyer Stein
mother of Peter & Michael Stein
July 28

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Enjoy a Nosh Like Bubbe Used to Make

With Jewish cuisine in short supply here in the Granite State, many of us eagerly await the annual Jewish Food Festival hosted by Temple B'nai Israel in Laconia. And it's finally here!

On July 20 the festival's 17th edition runs from 11 am to 2 pm. Goodies include (brace yourself):

- ◆ Cheese blintzes
- ◆ Stuffed cabbage
- ◆ Matzo ball soup
- ◆ Chopped herring
- ◆ Chopped liver
- ◆ Kugels
- ◆ Knishes
- ◆ Latkes
- ◆ Sandwiches filled with brisket, corned beef, pastrami and tongue
- ◆ Strudels
- ◆ Rugelach and more

There's also a Nearly New Boutique lawn sale with all sorts of treasures, plus new Judaica items inside—many of them ideal for the High Holidays.



Best of all, it's a great way to meet old and new friends from congregations all over New Hampshire. So pull up a seat in the tented dining area and enjoy! Credit cards are accepted.

Temple B'nai Israel is located at 210 Court Street in Laconia. For directions and additional information, visit online at www.tbinh.org.

Save Big and Make a Free Donation to Betenu

On August 23, Macy's holds its annual "Shop for a Cause" sale. With a \$5 sales voucher, you can save up to 25% on most Macy's purchases—and the \$5 goes straight to Betenu. To buy vouchers, stop by the Betenu office on Fridays before services, around 7:15-7:30 pm. Or get in touch with **Sheryl Liberman** or **Elsa Conrad** today.



IN BRIEF

High Holidays Help and Donations

There are many ways to pitch in, have fun and add extra spiritual meaning during the High Holidays! Betenu needs volunteers to set up seats, help with kids' services, serve as ushers or readers, or even blow the shofar. You can also help by donating staples such as toilet paper, paper towels or plastic knives and forks. Contact **Sheryl** or **Elsa** to find out more.

Support for the Hospitalized

Privacy laws keep hospitals from calling us when our members are admitted. If you need a little help or would just like some friendly conversation, ask for the hospital chaplain and request that Betenu be notified.

Benefit Betenu When You Shop

We still have Hannaford gift cards for sale at the office, with a portion going to Betenu. Or if you want to do some online shopping, click the Amazon link at betenu.org and shop away. We'll get a share of all purchases at no cost to you.

EDUCATION NEWS

by Sheryl Liberman

Parents, Mark Your Calendars

A parent meeting for all Betenu Sunday School students will be held Tuesday, Aug. 19 at 7 pm. Meet **Pam Blotcky**, our new VP of Education, and preview the schedules, policies and changes for the 2014-15 year.

September Classes for Post B'nei Mitzvah/Confirmation Students

Students and parents should have recently received letters about dates and plans for their September classes. Call **Sheryl** with any questions, at 424-4609.

Progress Reports

All unclaimed progress reports have been mailed to students' homes.

Tzedakah Donations Help Two Great Causes

Last year's student contributions have been sent to Magen David Adom and the Israel Guide Dog Association, in the amount of \$38 each. Thank you!



July at Betenu

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4 Independence Day—No Service	5 <i>Balak</i>
6	7 Planning Mtg (tentative), 7 pm	8	9	10	11 Lay-led Service, 7:30 pm	12 <i>Pinchas</i> Yard Sale at Faith Episcopal, 9 am—2 pm
13	14	15	16	17	18 No Service	19 <i>Matot</i>
20	21 Executive Board Meeting, 7:30 pm	22 Jewish Pride Night, Manchester Fisher Cats 7 pm	23	24	25 Lay-led Service, 7:30 pm	26 <i>Masei</i>
27	28 Rosh Chodesh Av	29	30	31		

August at Betenu

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 No Service	2 <i>Devarim</i>
3	4	5	6	7	8 Service led by Rebekah Goldman, 7:30 pm	9 <i>Va'etchanan</i>
10	11	12	13	14	15 No Service	16 <i>Ekev</i>
17	18 General Board Meeting, 7:30 pm	19 Parents' School Meeting, 7 pm	20	21	22 Lay-led Service, 7:30 pm	23 <i>Re'eh</i>
24	25	26 <i>Rosh Chodesh</i>	27 <i>Rosh Chodesh</i>	28	29 No Service	30 <i>Shoftim</i>