As you know, the Hebrew word for seven is sheva, the root of shiva (7 days of mourning) and shavua (week). The festival culminating the period of seven weeks following Passover is Shavuot, marking 7 × 7 – the 49 days linking the two holidays.

The injunction for the sefira – the counting – is derived from the Torah portion read, in 2010, on the very first day of May – the portion of “Emor.” “You shall count from the second day of the Passover week, from the day that you offered the first sheaf of grain, the Omer, seven complete weeks.”

Ancient Judea was a society based on agriculture. The period of “counting” was clearly linked to the ultimate harvesting of the barley – the first harvest of the year. Through that harvest, our forbears expressed profound gratitude to the Lord for their ability to produce crops – culminating on Shavuot – the 50th day – with a formal procession of the first fruits – “Bikkurim.”

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A Special Event!

Please join
the Temple Emeth Community
on Shabbat morning
May 22, 9:30 am
as we celebrate
DAVID FLAD
for his many years of service
as president of Temple Emeth.
Pray, eat, and then honor David!
Roast and toast David with
song and speech.
Luncheon will follow the service.

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They Say Clothes Make the Man –
What about God?

During our annual Shivek Bible Lecture, Rabbi Or Rose shared the following teaching on Parashat Yitro from Rabbi Levi Yitzchak of Berditchev, a Chasidic master known as the Berdichever.

In Pesikta Rabbati, a 9th century collection of Torah commentary, we learn that “At the Red Sea God appeared to the Children of Israel as a young man, and at Mount Sinai God appeared to them as an old man” (21:5). The Berdichever explains that normally God constricts Himself in the worlds so as to provide room for existence. At the Red Sea, however, where there was a change in nature, God was not garbed in the worlds, and the Children of Israel saw God unclothed. At Mount Sinai, however, God dressed Himself such that the worlds could maintain their natural existence. Noting that Isaac Luria, a renowned 16th century Kabbalist, associated clothing with hair, the Berdichever further comments that God appeared at the Red Sea as a young man without facial hair – without any worldly garb – while when giving the Torah God revealed Himself as a bearded old man – dressed in the garb of the worlds. The Berdichever explains that a

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Many wonderful programs are happening this month at Temple Emeth. We encourage you to attend the following:

May 1: Kallah
May 2: Lag B’Omer program – page 2
May 2, 9, 16, 23: Israeli Dancing
May 4, 11, 25: Israeli Dancing
May 5 & 12: Adult Education with Cantor Michael – page 4
May 6, 13, 27: Yoga
May 7: Nursery First Friday
Nursery Mother’s Day Shabbat
May 10: Sisterhood Book Group – page 5
May 16: Brotherhood Man of the Year – page 6
May 19-20: Shavuot
May 22: Program to honor David Flad
May 2 Lag B’Omer program

Join us for a smokin’ hot time!
5:45-7 pm
• Israeli Dance Troupe performance
• Dinner and singing around the fire
• Fire show
• Israeli Dancing/Rikkudei Am at 7 pm

Cost: $5 per person; $10/Temple member family; $20/non-member family

RSVP to the Temple office: 617-469-9400

Personalia

Congratulations to:
Hy and Eve Fine in honor of the marriage of their granddaughter, Nicole Sweet, daughter of Nancy and Edward Sweet, to Adam Freudberg and in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Max Fine, son of Norman Fine
Bill Weinstein and Ina Cooper on the marriage of his daughter, Meira Weinstein, to Josh Flaster
Phyllis Kaplan on her special birthday
Sandy and Phyllis Kaplan on their granddaughter, Amalya Sherman, daughter of Elissa Kaplan, getting accepted to Bronfman Youth Leadership Program which includes an all expense paid five-week trip to Israel

Kudos

Special thanks to Ellie Smith and Millie Levitt, whose efforts made the Musicale such a success. We apologize for omitting your names from the April bulletin.

Simcha Leaves

Celebrate special occasions by purchasing a lasting tribute! Cost per brass leaf is $400. Contact Cynthia Levitt at the Temple office.

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Theologically, and a clearly later post biblical development, the 50th day marks the revelation of Torah – suggesting that freedom from slavery is drastically incomplete without the freedom to focus on noble goals – i.e. – the study and implementation of Torah.

Connecting both themes and their explanations of the “counting” from Passover to Shavuot is the simply stated admonition of Psalm 90: “Teach us to count our days” – namely, teach us to make every day count – given that time – in the best of all worlds – is still limited.

The personal challenge is echoed by the universal question that inevitably besets us all: Where has all the time gone? Where have the years disappeared? Has it already been a month – a year – a decade – already?? It all seems like just yesterday……

What kind of harvests have we reaped?? What kinds of causes have claimed our “Torah” heart of hearts? Beyond our assets – above all our tangible achievements – none to be underestimated or discounted – beyond all those – have we really counted our days? Have we acquired – in the psalmist’s word – “a heart of wisdom” – one that has connected in relationship – in kindness – empathy and in the courage to be counted when it really has made the difference? You might be familiar with the poignant poem of Thomas Carlyle:

So here has been dawning another blue day;
Think, will you let it slip useless away?
Out of Eternity this new day is born;
Into Eternity all night will return.
Behold it aforetime, no one ever did;
Soon it forever from all eyes are hid.
Here has been dawning another blue day;
Think, will you let it slip useless away?

The sefira period and its climax of first fruits and revelation suggests that postponing the best of which we’re capable – withholding our “first fruits,” – avoiding the precious guidelines both represented and symbolized by Torah – is a disastrously life negating habit.

Shavuot 5770 is but a week after Yom Yerushalayim – celebrating the 1967 reunification of Jerusalem – at a great cost of blood and tears. Given our concern with counting and being counted, and of cherishing those things that count most, we conclude with the obvious:

America has no better friend than Israel – an indispensable strategic ally providing the United States with critical intelligence, research and development – sharing bedrock democratic values and far more. Conversely, from the moment Truman recognized Medinat Yisrael – ups and downs notwithstanding – including the tensions with Obama – Israel has had no better friend than these United States – evidenced by the warm April Congressional welcome of Netanyahau. The potent Israeli-American alliance is priceless to both – and any weakening of that truth simply emboldens highly dangerous extremists who threaten peace-loving peoples and whose rage has little or nothing to do with Jerusalem or any other geographic realities.

May Shavuot, in its power of Torah and truth – uplift every precious moment of our time and strengthen the personal and national relationships as the timeless treasures that they are.

– Rabbi Alan Turetz

From the Executive Director

As I write this in March, it is raining again – I should say still! My new mantra is “Rain, rain go away, DON’T come again another day” for a while, at least. I for one, have seen enough rain to last a long time!!! I’m sure, however, there will once again be a drought this summer!!

Personally, I don’t know too much about droughts…… in programming, that is – and there sure hasn’t been a drought with Temple Emeth’s programs!! Starting from the Brotherhood Bar-be-que last September, the lively Simchat Torah, Chanukah and Purim celebrations, the trip to Mayyim Hayyim, our gala Musicale, the Shivek Lecture, Brent Dibner Lecture, Holocaust/Yom Hashoah program, adult ed with Rabbi Turetz, Rav Golan, and Cantor Michael, Israeli dancing, yoga, Sisterhood monthly book reviews, and, of course, Brotherhood’s Wine Tasting, Jewish Genealogy, and all their informative Sunday morning breakfast programs! Whew! No drought here!! …and just when you think there wouldn’t be more – that there couldn’t be more – there is more!!

Brotherhood Man of the Year honoring Dick McCue – who is here snow, rain or shine; our annual Silverstein/Gray Kallah; Sisterhood Torah Fund; our “smokin’ hot” Lag B’Omer program; our Israel Bond program honoring Fran and Sid Schwartz – the list goes on and on and on!!! And that’s just for this year!!

You know, the phrase “Wait til next year” just doesn’t apply to the Boston Red Sox – it applies to us as well. Plan to immerse yourself in our many programs. It will be worth your while and I promise, you won’t get wet!!

– Cynthia Levitt

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young, strong, warrior was needed at the Red Sea to change the nature of the world, while the Torah needed to be received from God appearing as an older person experienced in the ways of the world.

Hearing this teaching I found myself thinking not about the Red Sea or Mount Sinai, but about Temple Emeth. How should Temple Emeth balance the passion and energy of youth with the wisdom of experience? Like the Children of Israel in Parashat Yitro, our congregation experiences both youthful warriors driving change and more seasoned elders dressed in the garb of the worlds guiding us along the longer term path.

The younger members of our congregation, and those who are still young at heart, bring renewed energy into Temple Emeth. They are willing to explore different approaches to everything, reach out to new groups, and add new songs and programs. They are unadorned or constrained by the clothing of the world – everything is fresh, new, and never before attempted or accomplished. They can make miracles with their passion; they can split the sea and cross on dry land. Like God at the Red Sea, they can change the very nature of Temple Emeth and see it emerge stronger and more robust!

But what was true at Mount Sinai is also true at Temple Emeth. Experiencing pillars of fire and dancing in victory after crossing through a divided sea are exhilarating, but they take a great deal of energy and these dramatic events do little to ensure a clear path of travel. Fortunately our congregation is also blessed with members who are dressed in the garb of the worlds as the Berdichever taught. They have seen what works well, what is harder to make work, and what is destructive. Often it is easy to find comfort in their experience. And best of all, just like God at Sinai, our older members can still remember what it was like to be an unclothed youthful warrior at the Red Sea.

In this season between crossing the Red Sea at Passover and receiving the Torah at Sinai on Shevuot, we need to remember that G-d appeared to the Children of Israel in different forms and that the vitality of Temple Emeth depends on this same flexibility and diversity of approach.

Chag Shavuot Sameach!
– David Flad, President

“Next Year in Jerusalem”
Join Temple Emeth’s second congregational trip
Prague and Israel
February 16-27, 2011
Explore Prague, the old Jewish Quarter, and the world’s oldest functioning synagogue
4 nights in Tel Aviv – “the city that never sleeps” – while discovering the south of Israel
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Adult Education: May 5 and 12
Dreams: The Book Our Soul is Writing
Do you know that Judaism offers a ritual for interpreting a nightmare? Do you know that the rabbis considered dreams to be a taste of prophecy? Join Cantor Michael following minyan at 7 pm as we explore Jewish thought and practice in regard to this potent nighttime activity. Wine and light refreshments will be provided.

Karate and cooking are two of the many activities children enjoy at Temple Emeth.
NURSERY NOTES

Spring is in the air! Play outdoors is so much fun, the highlight of a preschool morning. Children find “treasures” and enjoy the green and colorful world around them. Nature in the Classroom was the theme for this year’s Boston-Haifa Connection. Five Israeli early childhood educators arrived in Boston on a rain soaked Sunday evening to begin a week of learning and sharing together. Temple Emeth Nursery School participated in the welcoming Monday evening program. Highlighted were a PowerPoint presentation and display by Haifa teachers and table top presentations from six area nursery schools. Our very own Dragonfly teachers, Regina Luff and Florence Stuchins, shared many ideas that they have been implementing using nature and recycling in the classroom. They set up a wonderful display and shared with great enthusiasm.

On May 7th we will have a “Special Grown-Ups” (formerly Mother’s Day) Shabbat experience. We will continue our Judaic curriculum with learning about Shavuot and have a nursery school celebration!

If you know a local child ages 2-5, we are still accepting applications for our summer program and the 2010-2011 school year.

– Robin Sagarin
Nursery School Director

HEBREW APPENINGS

On April 13th, the school welcomed a group of officers from the Israeli Defense Forces. These soldiers are part of the Boston-Haifa connection of CJP. The students gave the soldiers an amazingly warm reception and thoroughly enjoyed asking them questions, and learning about life in Israel and in the army. This was an opportunity to make personal and concrete connections between our students and the land of Israel. The students asked some thoughtful and thought-provoking questions of our guests, who were enthusiastic and extremely willing to share their stories.

Some of our students have already visited Haifa, and several had been participants on our first congregational trip to Israel. After the presentation, I was able to tell the students that another trip is in the planning stages for February 2011. As this trip takes shape, I cannot help but imagine how exciting it would be to have our religious school families participate. What a wonderful way to shape the next generation’s connection with Israel — in a vital and real manner that brings Israel to life for them — an opportunity of a lifetime! Am Yisrael Chai!

B’shalom,
Samara Katz

SISTERHOOD

MAY is TORAH FUND MONTH. Watch for your Torah Fund mailing celebrating all of the women in our Conservative Movement affiliated synagogue. Please donate to honor that special woman! Our Torah Fund campaign supports the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, the Schechter Institute in Israel and the Zeigler School of Rabbinic Studies in Los Angeles. This year’s theme is L’avidah u’l’shamrah — To Plant and Preserve. Torah Fund donation cards are available in the Judaica Shop for $4 each or 6 for $20. A Torah Fund tzedakah box is located in the Chapel.

YOGA continues from 7-8:30 pm on Thursday evenings, May 6, 13, and 27 with Ed Stern as your instructor. Please contact Ed at yogaman55@yahoo.com if you are interested.

New addition to the synagogue Library: Making Trouble. Produced by the Jewish Women’s Archive in Brookline, this DVD tells the story of six of the greatest female comic entertainers of the last century. Check it out!

The final Monday Morning Book Club selection is Wander- ing Stars by Sholom Aleichem. Ellie Smith is your reviewer on Monday, May 10, at 10 am in the Rabbi’s Library. Newcomers are always welcome.

Your Sisterhood Judaica Shop is open Sundays from 9-noon and Tuesdays from 3-4. Other times by appointment. We can assist you in selecting your Bar/Bat Mitzvah and Wedding invitations, personalized stationery and imprinted kippot. Come see our unique selection of talitot. Please contact Penny Grossman, Judaica Shop Manager, at 508-660-6609 for an appointment.

Look for the new six-foot tables coming to the synagogue as our gift! Temple Emeth Sisterhood is celebrating its 66th year of affiliation with Women’s League for Conservative Judaism. To find out more about Women’s League, go to www.wlcj.org

B’shalom,
– Penny Grossman
on behalf of Temple Emeth Sisterhood

Israeli dancing at Temple Emeth
As we lit our yellow Yom Hashoah candle, my family and I discussed what our relatives who were victims of the Holocaust might have looked like or might have thought as events unfolded. We watched and wondered as we heard the news that the Polish president and so many others had perished in the plane crash in Russia. This untimely event had ripple effects at Temple Emeth as the Honorary Consul of the Republic of Poland, Marek Lesniewski-Laas, could not participate in our Yom Hashoah program. Instead he consoled the Polish community in Boston. Our prayers go out to the families of those lost in that incident.

Our seventh graders began the program by reading original poetry about the Holocaust, followed by moving music by the Shirei Emet choir under the direction of Gennady Konnikov with a young guest singer. Harry Tillinger shared a historical review of Jewish history in Poland including a number of stories of his own family’s experience there. Ray Feller presented an informative review of the Partisan fighters who fought guerilla style warfare against incredible odds to inflict some level of loss upon the Nazis. Rabbi Turetz touched us all with vignettes about survivors. Cantor Michael McCloskey offered a stirring memorial prayer and we joined together as a community by saying the Kaddish. The program was followed by a lunch with Polish food with thanks for coordination assistance from Vivian Rubenstein Podrid. We appreciate the efforts of our dedicated kitchen crew, and Warren and Harriet Kantrowitz who decorated the hall in red and white, the colors of Poland.

Our softball team began its season with an exhibition game against cross-town rival KI. We have a number of new players under the leadership of Mike Rabb, and we look forward to a great season fun on the field.

We look forward to seeing you all on May 16, when we will honor Dick McCue, the man behind all activities at Temple Emeth for the past 28 years! We will also honor the Jimmy Fund, Dick’s selected charity. Make your reservation by calling the office today, and be entertained by Comedian Mel Simons.

Join with the land and people of Israel on June 3, and honor two terrific Temple members, Frances and Sidney Schwartz, by attending our special Israel Bonds Gala evening. We will welcome Gil Tamary, Israel TV10 Washington Bureau Chief as our guest speaker. This will be a memorable gala event. Watch the mail for your invitation and make your reservation early!

As we plan our next year’s programs with our incoming president Michael Clayton, we look ahead and grasp the future with enthusiasm. Get involved and put your stamp on our community with Brotherhood.

L’shalom,
– Phil Platcow, Brotherhood President
617-739-1224; philip.platcow@aecom.com

Brotherhood Man of the Year
Sunday, May 16
Honoring Richard “Dick” McCue
Minyan 8:30 am
Breakfast Extravaganza 9:15 am
Featuring: Mel Simons, Comedian
Tribute: Rabbi Alan Turetz

For 28 years, Richard ‘Dick’ McCue has served the Temple Emeth community. He has assisted with hundreds of weddings and bar and bat mitzvahs and ensured that the Temple is ready for services and pre-school and religious school classes. Dick spends countless hours at the Temple making certain that everything is working smoothly. His quiet support is the key to every successful Temple event from the fall cookout to holiday celebrations to the annual Musical, and many, many more. Join us in honoring Dick on May 16!
### Laymen’s Institute

The Federation of Jewish Men’s Clubs (FJMC) Laymen’s Institute will be held June 10-13 at Camp Ramah New England, Palmer, MA. Note that this is the weekend before Father’s Day.

Scholars-in-residence will be Dr. Robert A. Harris from the Jewish Theological Seminary and Rabbi Carl Perkins of Temple Aliyah in Needham.

Laymen’s Institute is one of the first and oldest weekend retreats for Jewish men in the country. Jewish men of all traditions are welcome to attend. For information, contact Chairman Elliot Feldman at 714-784-2064 or feldydad@verizon.net or registrar Peter Matusow at 508-652-0968, or go to www.nerfjmc.org.
L’hadrikh: Journeys with the Youth Community

The Rabbis taught: The Torah was Given within the context of three things—fire, rain and desert... From where do we know that the desert played a role? As it says (Numbers 1:1): ‘And God spoke to Moses in the Sinai Desert.’ --- Numbers Rabba 1:7

The Torah, our ever-expanding source of wisdom, understanding, and inspiration, was given in the desert. Within a rabbinic frame of mind, no aspect of the text or Jewish living is insignificant or without intention. Therefore, I invite you to consider the implications of this seemingly arid educational environment.

Though midbar, the word for desert, and m’daber, a verb that denotes conversation do not share the same root, our sages, known for their linguistic play, certainly noticed the morphological similarity. In fact, midbar, in addition to meaning desert, can also mean “utterance”. Perhaps the open space of the midbar invites dialogue.

From an anthropological perspective, the desert has ever been a place of vision and refuge for the marginalized. Native Americans, at the age of maturity, spent days alone in this environment seeking their true selves. Ascetics within Judaism and Christianity (the denizens of the Qumran and the desert fathers) chose exile within the wilderness. Moses’ prophetic commission occurred at the edge of the midbar.

Our sages suggest that the arid climate of the desert precipitated a thirst for Torah, which is likened to water in our tradition. Additionally, the midbar is devoid of distraction and permits intense focus, something severely lacking in our current society.

Finally and of most import, the open space of the midbar symbolizes the open space required for an authentic relationship. Martin Buber, one of our greatest philosophers, asserted that a holy moment occurs when two subjects regard each other compassionately, recognizing similarities and honoring differences. Perhaps the desert’s expansivity reminds us that words and encounters of Ultimate significance may only occur among a community that values free discourse and unconditioned relation.

Thank you again for your interest and support. Please do not hesitate to contact me with thoughts or questions.

B’Shalom,
– Cantor Michael McCloskey
Cantor-Educator

UNITED SYNAGOGUE YOUTH

The year has been flying by with Emeth USY.

“March was a great month,” reports Mara Hyman, our Social Action/Tikun Olam Vice President. “On March 6 our board coordinat-ed a USY-led Shabbat for the entire synagogue. I can easily say that it was one of our most successful events of our USY career. Not only did we have great participation by our youth, but our senior advisor, Josh Feldman, led the Musaf service. We’re very proud of him, as well as Religion/Education Vice President Melanie Platcow and the entire board, Cantor Michael, and everyone else who contributed to help make the event a success.

Also in March, several USYers participated in reading from the Megillah as well as working at the annual Purim Carnival. At the end of the month, we had a large turnout of 14 kids for Laser Tag, which was a great event!”

April’s big event was Sing Your Heart in which three different a cappella groups of the greater Boston area including Mount Holyoke’s Milk and Cookies performed. The board also performed at the event, awing the audience with our impressive talent. Everyone had a great time listening to the melodies of lady gaga and other artists of the twenty-first century.

The board entertained children under thirteen in Junior Congregation in the first ever Emeth USY JC. We led the group of kids ranging from second grade to eighth grade in a kid-friendly Shabbat service put together by Melanie Platcow (our Religion and Education Vice President) and myself. Everyone enjoyed the Saturday morning especially the Kiddush that included ice cream sundaes.

This May Emeth USY will continue to hold great events, starting with our Clean Ice Cream event on the second in which we will do some spring cleaning of the youth room and then go out for ice cream at JP Licks; anyone from seventh grade and up is welcome to attend. The weekend after that, the weekend of May seventh, is NERUSY’s annual spring convention. The majority of the board as well as several of our other members will be attending this exciting regional event. We will be learning about Judaism, meeting new friends and having a blast. We will even make a banner in preparation for this fantastic event.

Towards the end of the month, Emeth USY will be holding a candidate Shabbat. As the year comes to a close, we will hold elections for the new board of executives at Emeth USY. If you, your child or grandchild have any interest in attending or participating in any of these events, please contact myself at (617) 990-4398, Josh Feldman or Canter Michael.

Have a fantastic month,
Alissa Platcow

June Bulletin Deadline: MAY 6
Israel Bond Honorees
SIDNEY AND FRANCES SCHWARTZ have a long history of involvement in many philanthropic activities throughout the Jewish community. Sidney grew up in Boston and is now president of Security Lock distributors, a respected leader in the electronic and mechanical locking industry.

Frances, a Holocaust survivor, spent her early years in Poland and spent over three years hiding in the woods with family members during World War II. She came to Boston when she was nine years old and married Sidney in 1956.

A longtime member of Temple Emeth, Sidney served on the Board of Directors. He is a contributor to many national and local Jewish causes, including a supporter of Jewish Community Housing. As an advisor to the North Bennet Street School, he helps faculty and students with his insight and business experience. Sidney is a past officer of The Massachusetts Locksmith Association and a member of The Early Bird Tennis Group.

Frances, a forty plus year member of Temple Emeth, gave her time to many Temple run activities and was also a volunteer aide at the Hebrew Rehabilitation Center. She is an avid supporter of many Jewish charities including The National Holocaust Museum, the New England Holocaust Memorial, and the National Yiddish Book Center.

Sidney and Frances have four sons and twelve grandchildren. The couple has traveled to Israel many times to visit family. Their most recent trip was to celebrate their grandson’s Bar Mitzvah. Because of their love for Israel, Sidney and Frances have invested in Israel Bonds for many decades.

Israeli Bonds Speaker: Gil Tamary
Gil Tamary, Washington bureau chief for Israel’s Channel 10 TV Network, is one of Israel’s best known and most widely respected TV journalists. During a distinguished 21-year career, he has covered the last three U.S. presidential elections and conducted exclusive interviews with President Bill Clinton, Senators Barack Obama and Hillary Rodham Clinton, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, and many other leading dignitaries. He also made media history in 2006 when he trapped Mahmoud Ahmadinejad into answering his question at a United Nations press conference—the first time the Iranian President, who doesn’t recognize Israel’s right to exist, ever responded to an Israeli journalist.

Tamary previously served as Washington bureau chief for the Israel Broadcasting Authority and Kol Yisrael (Israel public television and public radio, respectively) and, before coming to Washington, was anchorman of the popular news show Good Morning Israel. A native Israeli who earned an M.A. in Economics and Management from Tel Aviv University, he has written articles for Globes, the online English version of the daily Israeli business newspaper.

Schechter School
Temple Emeth member Joshua Noonan-Sloan, a first grader at Schechter, is preparing for his class Siddur celebration in May. This milestone event at Schechter marks the students’ proficiency in Hebrew and prayers. At the program, each student will receive a personal copy of the Siddur.

PALS Olympiad: Preschoolers and their families are invited to a PALS (Preschoolers And Little Siblings) Olympiad – an energetic mix of sports, games, and races – at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, May 6, at Schechter, 60 Stein Circle, Newton. To register or for more information, contact Stephanie Maroun at 617-630-4625 or stephanie.maroun@ssdsboston.org.

“Meet Me Through My Art,” an intergenerational exchange of artistic expression and compassion, will be on display May 15-30 at the DeCordova Sculpture Park + Museum in Lincoln. The exhibit will feature collaborative artwork created by students of Solomon Schechter Day School of Greater Boston and residents of North Hill in Needham and Hearthstone at New Horizons in Marlborough. The opening reception will be held from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, May 23. The exhibit is the culmination of a year-long collaborative project of ARTZ: Artists for Alzheimer’s, Schechter and the DeCordova.

Open House: Prospective students and their families are invited to an Informational Open House at 9 a.m. Friday, May 21, at Schechter, 60 Stein Circle, Newton. Families will be able to tour Schechter’s Lower School, visit classrooms, see art facilities, learn about the dual curriculum in both secular and Judaic studies, find out about financial aid programs, and meet members of the school community. For information, contact Carol Rumpler at 617-964-7765, ext. 4608, or carol.rumpler@ssdsboston.org.
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SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL NEWS

Please join the Synagogue Council of Massachusetts at its upcoming Annual Meeting on Monday, May 17th at 7:15 pm at Temple Shalom in Newton. The event will celebrate and thank three innovators of creative, pluralistic Jewish educational endeavors for their unique accomplishments: Arlene Remz, Executive Director of Gateways: Access to Jewish Education, Aliza Kline, Founding Executive Director of Mayyim Hayyim Community Mikveh & Family Education Center, and Rabbi Bradley Solmsen, Director of Brandeis University’s Office of High School Studies. For more information and to register, please visit SCM’s website, www.synagoguecouncil.org.
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Week of May 8
Hyman Bauman
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Rose Epstein
Doris Fleet
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Week of May 15
Eva Abrams
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Anna Ruth Kornbliet
Harvey Levin
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Week of May 22
Charles Berenson
Nigma Bitran
Goldie Goodman
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Joseph Grossman
Leo Hirshberg
Anna Karass
Mike Katz
Sylvia Kirshenbaum
Gerald Port
Anna Shapiro
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Miriam Wolnich
Sidney Wolnich

Week of May 29
Abraham Becker
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Daily Minyan
Your attendance at minyan will help those who need to say kaddish. Do a Mitzvah! Come to minyan!

Reminder: Bring Butcherie receipts to the Temple office.

To purchase a Perpetual Plaque, contact Cynthia Levitt at the Temple office.

PMC Newton-Needham-Brookline
5th ANNIVERSARY KIDS’ RIDE
Sunday, May 23 – 1-4 pm
For information, contact Janet Weishaus at jweishaus@rcn.com

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