

## Kehillat Bet Hamidrash – The Kempsville Conservative Synagogue Newsletter

*In the fourth month, in the ninth day of the month, the famine was sore in the city, so that there was no bread for the people of the land. Then a breach was made in the city, and all the men of war fled.... (Jerimiah 52:6-7).*

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The sunrise to sunset **Fast of 17 Tammuz** is on Tuesday, 29 JUN 2010. The solemn occasion reminds us of the day in the war-induced famine disrupted the Temple Service in the last days of the Israelite monarchy. Months later, in 586 BCE, the Babylonian forces of Nebuchadnezzar breached the walls of *Yerushalayim*.

The 17th of Tammuz also marks the beginning of **The Three Weeks** period of mourning which culminates on the Ninth of Av, commemorating the conquest of *Yerushalayim*, the destruction of the Holy Temple and the dispersion of the Jewish people. Many Jews do not hold weddings, cut their hair, or observe joyful events during this period.

KBH holds its **annual congregational meeting** on Sunday, 13 JUN 2010. *Shachrit* starts in the sanctuary at 8:45 AM, with the brunch and meeting following at approximately 10:00 AM. We will present the committee reports and the 2010 – 2011 budget and vote on the amendment to the KBH constitution at the end of the *Newsletter*.

Please submit your nominee for the **Kehillat Bet Hamidrash Outstanding Volunteer** to Mr. Landress by 04 JUN 2010.

The elections, held on a **secret ballot**, promise some unusual excitement – competition. The following is the slate presented by the 2010 KBH nominating committee:

President – Mr. Ed Landress  
1<sup>st</sup> VP – Mr. Sam Epstein  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Mr. Jason Silverstein  
Fin Sec'y – Ms. Arlene Losick  
Treasurer – Mr. Barry Ashburn  
Sec'y – Ms. Jane Rosenman

Trustee (2010-2013) – Mr. Amos Berkovich  
Member at Large:  
Ms. Libby Furst  
Ms. Phyllis Cowley  
Mr. Bruce Finkelstein  
Mr. Eli Siman-Tov  
Mr. Harry Grossman

As per the KBH Constitution, members may propose additional nominations from the floor for any elective office. For any additional questions, please contact Mr.

Silverstein at (757) 372-2095.

You may find **United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism (USCJ) news** at [www.uscj.org/eNews](http://www.uscj.org/eNews).

Because hunger has yet to limit itself to any one season, we continue to **collect non-perishable goods for the JFS food locker** in our synagogue's lobby.

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**Your Board Meets on the Second Wednesday of Each Month**

### Annual Meeting and Elections



**Sunday, 13 JUN  
2010**

#### *Newsletter Inputs* (printed with space permitting)

1. Via e-mail to [EpsteinSam@aol.com](mailto:EpsteinSam@aol.com)
2. Via letter to the synagogue c/o the Bulletin



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The Jewish Museum & Cultural Center at 607 Effingham in Portsmouth, VA offers *Wonderful Wednesdays*, a 2010 summer music series. You can listen to local and international artists at 7:30 PM EDT on 14 JUL, 28 JUL, 11 AUG, and 25 AUG 2010. On the third Sunday of each month, from 2:00 – 4:00 PM, local storytellers inform families about Jewish life in this area. The center also offers lectures the fourth Sunday of each month. For tickets and additional information, contact (757) 391-9266 or [info@jewishmuseumportsmouth.org](mailto:info@jewishmuseumportsmouth.org).

### Candle Lighting\*

FRI, 04 JUN	8:02 PM
FRI, 11 JUN	8:06 PM
FRI, 18 JUN	8:09 PM
FRI, 25 JUN	8:10 PM
FRI, 02 JUL	8:10 PM

\*[www.chabadoftidewater.com](http://www.chabadoftidewater.com)

The Kempsville Conservative Synagogues wishes a hearty *mazal tov* to:

- **Marge and Steve Schechner** on the 10 MAY 2010 birth of their newest grandchild, Mia Nicole Schechner, to Jason and Danielle Schechner. *Mazal tov* also to big brother Jamie, great-grandmother **Sylvia Neff**, and the entire Schechner family.

מזל טוב!!!

- **Danuta Epstein**, recently accepted in the Global Studies & World Languages Academy at Tallwood High School.
- **Vanessa and Mike Seifert** on the 09 MAY 2010 birth of their first grandchild, Olivia Jane Seifert, to parents Kristen and Mark.

Our synagogue expresses its appreciation for the following:

- A *siddur* donated in **Memory of LT Miroslav “Steve” Zilberman, USN**
- **Mr. Jason Rubenstein**, our Jewish Theological Seminary (JTS) rabbinic fellow, for his heartwarming contributions to our synagogue over the past year.
- **Ms. Rona Proser, Mr. Ed Landress, Ms. Heliene Siegel, and Ms. Phyllis Cowley** for preparing the 14 MAY 2010 joint *Shabbat* dinner with Temple Israel.
- **Mel and Arlene Losick** for their contribution in **Memory of Leonard Neumann**, the father of Ms. Bev Berman.
- **Becke and Jason Silverstein** for putting away tables and chairs after the *Shabbat* dinner.
- The **Kaufman and Eluto Families** for hosting and escorting our student rabbi and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Rubenstein.
- **Temple Israel** for inviting KBH to their *Shavuot* services.
- **Ms. Phyllis Cowley, Ms. Chris Epstein, and Mr. Harvey Eluto** for preparing breakfast on 16 MAY 2010.



The **proposed amendment** adds to Article IV, Section 5, “In the event a committee chairman deems it appropriate to spend more than \$800 for emergent repairs, the Executive Committee shall vote, in person or via electronic means, to approve or disapprove the proposed expenditure.” [www.kbhsynagogue.org/KBH\\_Constitution.08JUN2008.pdf](http://www.kbhsynagogue.org/KBH_Constitution.08JUN2008.pdf) links to the current KBH Constitution.

KBH and the community continue to offer programming, religious, and educational opportunities throughout the year. Cantor Proser makes up-to-date announcements at services, and we send updates via e-mail. To add your name or that of a **prospective member** to the KBH e-mail or mailing list, submit *Newsletter* inputs, or to receive the *Newsletter* via email (which has fewer typographic errors and more updates), kindly send your request [EpsteinSam@aol.com](mailto:EpsteinSam@aol.com) or call (757) 420-5891.