

## Kehillat Bet Hamidrash – The Kempsville Conservative Synagogue Newsletter

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*You shall count for yourselves seven weeks, from when the sickle is first put to the standing crop shall you begin counting seven weeks. Then you will observe the Festival of Shavu'ot for the L-rd, your G-d (Devarim (Deuteronomy) 16:9-10).*

OBSERVANCE	DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Shavu'ot – Day #1	Wednesday	19 MAY 2010	7:30 AM	Temple Israel
Yizkor/Shavu'ot - Day#2	Thursday	20 MAY 2010	9:30 AM	KBH Library

**Shavu'ot starts at sunset on Tuesday, 18 MAY 2010.** KBH will observe *Yizkor* on Thursday, 20 MAY 2010 at 9:30 AM in the KBH library. Remaining services will be with our programming partner, Temple Israel, on 7255 Granby Street in Norfolk, VA. We continue to count the 49 days (7 *shavu'ot*, or weeks) of the *Omer* through sunset on 17 MAY 2010.

*Shavu'ot* commemorates when the first fruits were harvested and brought to the Temple. It is also when an *omer* (unit of measurement estimated at 3.6 liters) of grain was brought as a wave offering at the Temple in *Yerushalayim*. Later, the rabbis associated the holiday with the **giving of the Torah** at Mount Sinai.

Through the generosity of the **Legacy Heritage Fund Limited** and support from the **Pincus Paul Charitable Trust**, visits from our student rabbi Mr. Rubenstein, finish as follows:

30 APR–02 MAY 2010    14–16 MAY 2010

We continue our ***Pirkei Avot*** study with Mr. Rubenstein on Saturday, 01 MAY 2010, after *Shabbat* services. Please join us at 8:00 PM on 01 MAY as Kehillat Bet Hamidrash holds ***Ma'ariv and Havdallah*** services.

The weekend continues as KBH and Mr. Rubenstein conduct ***Shachrit services with local Conservative synagogues*** at 10:30 AM on Sunday, 02 MAY 2010 at the Virginia Beach oceanfront's 31<sup>st</sup> Street Beach. This follows the "**On the Move with KBH**" contingent as Jewish Family Service holds its Annual 8k, 5k, and 1-mile Fun Run/Walk on Sunday, 02 MAY 2010 from 7:30 – 10:30 AM. The JFS activities start at the 24th street stage.

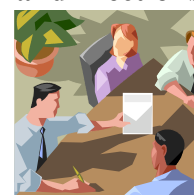
Celebrating our final weekend with Mr. Rubenstein starts at 6:30 PM on Friday, 14 MAY 2010 with **joint services and a dinner** with Temple Israel at our facility. The cost is \$18 for those 13 and older, \$6 for individuals between 5 and 12, and free for those 4 and younger. Please mail your

payments for the reservation to KBH Synagogue, ATTN: *Shabbat Dinner*, 952 Indian Lakes Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA, 23464-5655 to arrive by 10 MAY 2010. Kindly note if you desire a vegetarian option. We will continue our *Shabbat* lunch and Sunday morning *Shachrit* and brunch on 15 and 16 MAY 2010.

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.

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

## **Kehillat Bet Hamidrash – The Kempsville Conservative Synagogue Newsletter**

KBH members will continue to **demonstrate their cantorial skills** in MAY 2010 by conducting portions of the *Shabbat* service or reading from the *Torah* and *Haftarah*. To reserve your spot, please send your request to Sam Epstein at (757) 420-5891 or EpsteinSam@aol.com. To observe, please come to *shul*. We encourage impromptu performances.

The Virginia Beach Public Library provides wireless Internet service at all 10 of its locations. The library provides many options through the Internet, including access to online encyclopedias, periodicals, downloadable books and audio books, language learning software, small business resources and more. Customers with wireless-enabled laptops, cell phones or PDAs can access the Internet and online library resources inside any Virginia Beach Public Library. The service is free and does not require special software or passcodes.

At 8:00 PM on Saturday, 01 MAY 2010, Mr. Irving Roth, holocaust survivor, author, and creator of **Adopt-A-Survivor**, will talk at Temple Emanuel, located at 424 25<sup>th</sup> Street at the Virginia Beach oceanfront. A dessert reception follows. For details, please call (757) 428-2591. On Sunday, 02 MAY 2010, Mr. Roth will also talk at 11:00 AM at the Hilton Oceanfront Hotel.

Our sympathy and gratitude go to the family of LT Miroslav "Steve" Zilberman, USN, who died at the controls of his E2C Hawkeye returning from a mission over Afghanistan, thus allowing his crew to safely bail out and live. "Without his courageous actions," noted Admiral Roughead, Chief of Naval Operations, "the entire crew would have perished." The LT Steve Zilberman Memorial Fund accepts donations at any Navy Federal Credit Union. You may also mail contributions to the LT Steve Zilberman Memorial Fund, c/o Navy Federal Credit Union, PO Box 3100, Merrifield, VA, 22119-3100.

Another option includes making donations for the Zilberman children's future college expenses to the VAW/VRC Memorial Fund. Although the children's names are not yet listed on the web-site of children who will benefit, we received assurances they will be included. By helping provide for their children's higher education, the foundation's memorial scholarships honor those active duty or reserve commissioned and enlisted service members in the VAW and VRC communities lost as a result of a combat aircraft loss or a military aviation-related mishap while assigned to a VAW or VRC squadron. Please see [www.vaw-vrc-memorialfund.org/home.html](http://www.vaw-vrc-memorialfund.org/home.html) for details.

<b>Candle Lighting*</b>	
FRI, 30 APR	7:34 PM
FRI, 07 MAY	7:40 PM
FRI, 14 MAY	7:47 PM
TUES, 18 MAY	7:50 PM
WED, 19 MAY	after 8:53 PM
FRI, 21 MAY	7:52 PM
FRI, 28 MAY	7:58 PM
FRI, 04 JUN	8:02 PM

\*www.chabadoftidewater.com

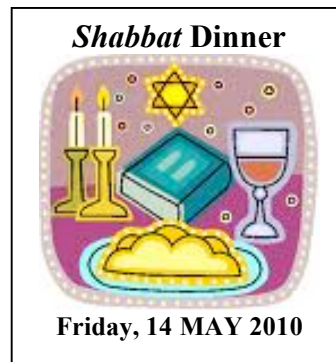
Chabad of Tidewater offers food, fun designed for children, and Jewish music for \$10.00/person at its **Lag B'Omer BBQ and Celebration** at 5:00 PM on Sunday, 02 MAY 2010 at the Chabad House on 1920 Colley Avenue in Norfolk, VA. For details and to RSVP, please call (757) 616-0770 or visit [www.chabadoftidewater.org](http://www.chabadoftidewater.org).

Chabad also hosts its **Annual Shavu'ot Ice Cream Party** at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, 19 MAY 2010. To RSVP, please send an e-mail to [Rashi@ganizzy.org](mailto:Rashi@ganizzy.org).

On Sunday, 16 MAY 2010 at Temple Beth El on 422 Shirley Avenue in Norfolk, Bina High School presents **The Rope**, a play set in the *Tanach* Museum which houses statues of the

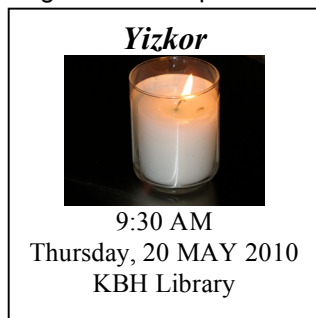
matriarchs and other famous women of the *Tanach*. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for children and seniors. For additional details, please contact (757) 672-2462 or visit [www.binahighschool.com](http://www.binahighschool.com).

At 7:00 PM on Wednesday, 12 MAY 2010, Vaad Hakashrus and the Simon Family Jewish Community Center (JCC) at the Sandler Family Campus on 5000 Corporate Woods Drive in



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Virginia Beach present **Quick and Kosher**, a cooking demonstration and dinner with author Jamie Geller. The cost is \$50 and includes dinner. For details, please call Tehilla Mostofsky at (757) 572-2581 or Amy Lefcoe at amyshuz@aol.com.



Temple Israel presents its **Spring Fundraiser** on Sunday, 23 MAY 2010. For details, please call (757) 489-4550.

The JCC also offers the **Golf and Tennis Tournament** Weekend on 23 and 24 MAY 2010. For details, please call (757) 321-2327.

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 vote on a trustee and officers and present the committee reports and the 2010 – 2011 budget. To **nominate yourself or another member** for a board position, or to be on the nominating committee, please contact Ways and Means Chairman Mr. Jason Silverstein or Mr. Ed Landress by Monday, 10 MAY 2010.

Your synagogue will collect **Farm Fresh receipts** through 14 MAY 2010. We can use the proceeds to procure items for our building or to defray costs associated with the daycare center. Please place the receipts in the President's mailbox in the synagogue office.

Kehillat Bet Hamidrash offers our condolences to long-time congregants Ms. Bev Berman and family on the loss of her father, Leonard Neumann.

Our synagogue expresses its appreciation for the following efforts:

- The **Landress Family**, for sponsoring the *kiddush* on 17 APR 2010.
- A donation from **CAPT and Mrs. Shapiro**
- Our rabbinic fellow, **Mr. Jason Rubenstein**, for sponsoring breakfast during his recent visit.
- A *siddur* donated in **Honor of Judy Saperstein**.
- The **Kaufman Family** for hosting our student rabbi, Mr. Rubenstein.
- **Mr. Harvey Eluto**, for spending a day with the mechanic, ensuring the timely repair of our daycare's van.
- **Mr. Harvey Hoffman**, for giving our trees their spring treatment and cleaning up the litter that accumulated near the soccer field and our fruit trees.
- **Ms. Phyllis Cowley** for taking our collection of non-perishable food items to Jewish Family Service.
- A donation from **the Rabinowitz family**.
- The **Proser Family** for hosting the congregation for *seudah shelishit and Pirkei Avot* study at their home on 03 APR 2010.
- **Mr. Ed Shames**, for donating a signed copy of *Tonight We Die As Men* to the KBH library.



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 to EpsteinSam@aol.com or call (757) 420-5891.



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