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ISRAELI DANCING - ULTIMATE MATCHMAKER . . .

by Jackie Kling, President

Long before there was JDate, Facebook, Linked-In, Living Social, etc. I met my husband and I met my shul - both through Israeli dancing! I'm happy to report that both matches have withstood the test of time and as I enter into a new phase of my relationship with Mishkan Torah, I am looking forward to continuing to grow and learn together. I have always been proud to say that I am a member of Mishkan Torah, so please know that during my term as president I will strive to build upon the foundations of our hard working past presidents, boards, and members.

Over the years I have noticed that Steve Mirsky and I wear the same New Balance 990 series of tennis shoes. Of course his are a bit larger than mine so I can safely say that it will be impossible for me to completely fill his shoes. Steve worked patiently and tirelessly to accomplish so much during his tenure. In the last Trumpet he offered up some lessons learned during his presidency and I plan to reread them frequently as I try to keep us all on the steady course he set. If I can do half as good a job as he has done I will feel quite accomplished. Thanks, Steve!



The annual membership meeting in June saw the passage of a very fiscally responsible budget made possible by a generous increase in the yearly Sisterhood pledge, an increase in the Men's Club pledge, some spending cuts, and a one-time modest assessment to the membership. We hope that these measures will not be necessary in future budgets as the large expense of the synagogue's roof is almost paid off. The election of officers gave us the wonderful addition of Phyllis Oresky (Membership Co-Chair), Jeffrey Rosen (Publicity Chair), Linda Spevack (Religious Co-Chair), and Jordan Choper (Rabbi's House) to the board. Steve Mirsky will continue to be a presence on the

board as he takes on the presidency of the Men's Club (couldn't give up the title of Prez so fast, huh?). I look forward to working with our returning and new board members.

We also spent some time discussing our need to increase our membership numbers. Mishkan Torah has wonderful programs throughout the year sponsored by our various committees. They serve to build community by providing opportunities for spirituality, for learning, for being charitable, for being entertained and more. We will make a focused effort this year to cast a wide net to increase our numbers so that more people will know about and take advantage of our programming. It will not be easy, it will not get done overnight, *and* it is much easier said than done. I hope that if we, as a congregation, put our enthusiasm, energy, and ideas into attracting new members, we will succeed.

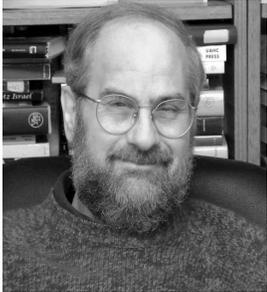
I feel energized by some of the formal and informal brainstorming that has taken place so far and includes such things as using more technology, keeping our website up-to-date, creating some public relations materials, and doing more personal outreach to people who inquire about Mishkan Torah. I hope you, too, will feel energized and contact Arden Bronstein, Phyllis Oresky or me with your ideas and offers to help.

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JEWISH PROFESSIONALS IN TRAINING EXPRESS DIFFERING VIEWS ON ISRAEL

As they say in French, “*plus ça change, plus c’est la même chose*” – “the more things change, the more they stay the same.” You might recall the firestorm that followed last year’s article by Peter Beinart in the *New York Review of Books*. Beinart wrote about the alienation from the State of Israel felt by many college-aged American Jews. Regrettably, more people responded by attacking Beinart personally than by addressing his arguments.

In recent months, the focus has shifted to what some people see as a weakening commitment to Israel on the part of American rabbinical, cantorial, and Jewish educational students. For example, in a column in the *Jerusalem Post*, Dr. Daniel Gordis—a man whose opinions I frequently respect—lamented that one American rabbinical student chose to celebrate his birthday in the Palestinian city of Ramallah instead of in an Israeli city. Gordis was also pained by the story of another student



who was looking to buy a new *tallit* and sent out an e-mail asking for advice about where to buy one—with the proviso that the *tallit* should not be made in Israel.

I share Dr. Gordis’s pain, and I agree with him that it is every bit as important that rabbinical students learn a love of Jewish peoplehood as it is that they learn *Talmud*. But I am deeply opposed to the means that he advocates to teach the lesson of peoplehood. Gordis feels that the admissions committees of the various rabbinical schools should blackball anyone whose commitment to Israel fails to pass the litmus test of loyalty. And he questions whether any current student who fails this test should be permitted to remain a rabbi-in-training. Gordis’s column stimulated a reply from Dr. Alex Sinclair of the Jewish Theological Seminary’s Israel program. Sinclair argues that Gordis’s critique is politically flawed and educationally inappropriate. And, most significantly, it misses the point about what Jewish peoplehood is all about.

On a political level, Sinclair concedes that some American rabbinical, education and cantorial students do hold “left-wing” opinions (although, in his experience, most classes

contain students with views from across the entire political spectrum). But, Sinclair protests, to delegitimize these students as “naïve” and un-Zionist is not only unfair, but also intellectually lazy. In fact, Sinclair argues, these left-wing students’ views are no different from those of many Jewish Zionist Israelis who strongly disapprove of the current government’s handling of the conflict with the Palestinians. If the American students are naïve about Israel’s security, then so are countless Israeli politicians, military figures, and cultural thinkers. The demagoguery of ridicule is all too common in the Israeli political arena; when it comes to Israel-Diaspora relations, Sinclair feels that we must raise the debate above that unhelpful level.

From an educational perspective too, Sinclair contends that the all-out attack on liberal American rabbinical, cantorial, and education students is counter-productive. Even if the critics are right, even if these students are well-meaning, liberal fools – “conservatives who haven’t been mugged yet” as the old insult goes – even if that’s the case, the confrontational nature of the demand that they admit to the error of their ways is totally misguided. Haranguing is not the same as education and no one has ever been educated by being ridiculed.

This brings Sinclair to his third point – the one about Jewish peoplehood. Personal attacks, Sinclair believes, distract us from the serious debate that the Jewish world needs to have on such crucial subjects as where to draw the line between the universalistic side of Judaism (the voice that speaks of universal human rights, for example) and Judaism’s particularistic side (the voice that speaks about specifically Jewish concerns – such as the need to defend ourselves in a world that is often hostile). This is a debate that should explore the rights and responsibilities of Jews throughout the world, in both the Diaspora and Israel. **Continued on page 3**

RABBI'S COLUMN . . . from page 2

According to Sinclair, many Israeli critiques of young American Jewish leaders are based on the classical Zionist notion that Israel is the center of the Jewish world, the only place where it is possible to live a meaningful Jewish life. Moreover, since Israelis know best about Israel's problems, Diaspora Jews should support the Israeli government come what may, and refrain from criticizing it in public, and be very cautious about doing so even in private. This approach, Sinclair continues, may have worked in the early years of Israel's existence, but it's counter-productive today. Silencing the American Jewish voice will not lead to greater feelings of Jewish peoplehood; the opposite is true. Instead of telling these young American Jewish leaders that they "should" feel more connection with the Jewish people and Israel, Sinclair suggests that we would do better to give them the space, the tools, and the legitimacy to become true partners in the serious conversations that the Jewish people should be having with itself, about itself. And we should engage Israelis to enter those conversations as equal, not superior, partners.

According to Sinclair, these conversations must get to the heart of the core questions about Jewishness in the contemporary world. For example, it may well be true that American Jewry has become overly focused on questions of personal religious meaning, to the detriment of its sense of ethnic ties and particularism. But it's also true that in Israel the pendulum has swung too far in the other direction, and its Judaism has become far too particularist, far too tribal, and has lost its sense of liberal universalism.

Here, Sinclair argues, is the real issue for anyone concerned with Jewish peoplehood today: our people is split between two poles, each of which needs rebalancing by the other. Yes, American Jews need to be exposed to the remarkable, inspiring experience of Israeli Judaism as public, sovereign space; to the vibrancy of Israeli ethnic-religious-cultural creativity; and to a society whose foundational

civic narratives are rooted in Jewish texts and language. American Judaism is the poorer for the lack of such exposure.

But the traffic must not be one-way. Israeli Jews need to be exposed to the remarkable, inspiring experience of American Judaism as an open, pluralistic way of life, which can speak to different people in different ways; to the vibrancy of American Jewish vehicles for personal spiritual meaning; and to a religious community that has succeeded in having Jewish messages inspire and infuse hundreds of thousands of non-Jews. Israeli Judaism is the poorer for the lack of such exposure.

Sinclair concludes that both American and Israeli Judaism are, on their own, at best, incomplete, and at worst, fatally flawed. Nothing short of an open, honest conversation between American and Israeli Jews can help each group see their own flaws, and become healed by the other's strengths. Israeli Jews are really good at pointing out the weaknesses of American Judaism, but they're not so good when the tables are turned. Instead of ridiculing American Jews, Israelis should look inwards, and do some soul-searching about Israel and Israeli society. Parts of Israel are indeed inspiring and thrilling; other parts are depressingly backward. American Jews can help, if only Israelis would listen. And if American Jews felt that Israelis were more open to listening to them, perhaps they would in turn want to listen back.

PRESIDENT . . . from page 1

On September 17 we will honor Bret Goldstein and Darelynn Fung with our Young Leadership Award. They are truly deserving of our recognition and I hope you will plan to be in shul for this special Shabbat. Our children, tweens, and teens will all be on hand to entertain, surprise, and make us laugh so mark your calendars. If you know of anyone looking for a shul this would be a great opportunity to invite them to join you. I hear there will be food!

As you enjoy the rest of the summer be assured that your board will be working diligently to keep things running smoothly.

SISTERHOOD SAYS . . .

by Irene Spector

Oh, the hot, humid, hazy days of July just passed. But they did not stop Sisterhood from getting things rolling.

In the mail, you have probably received your reminder to send in your dues and your listing for the Holiday Greeting Card. The forms make it easy to send one check to cover both. The dues payment will be your invitation to the paid-up brunch, set for Sunday, October 9.

The Holiday card listing will help the committee get a head start on the card. (if you did not get the mailing, you will find the forms in this edition of the *Trumpet*.)

Since it's still too hot to go outside, this might be a good opportunity to stay in your air-conditioned home and clear out your closets— assembling items for our Rummage Sale. Also, it's time to think about Labor Day weekend and our French fries sale. Volunteers will be needed; how about you?

Eva Garin and Niki Kohn are at work planning programs for the year. Your input is always welcome so let them hear from you.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Mitzvah cards: Call Becky Hirsch for her speedy, efficient service. Remember that cards bought or sent will add to your donor for next year's event.

Catering: A special simcha? Call our maven Alyce Strasser (not before 10:30 a.m. please). She will help you plan an excellent party.

Gift Shop: Watch the display windows for the beautiful items available. Then call Alyce Strasser (but not before 10:30 a.m.) to make an appointment to meet Alyce for the special attention she will provide to help you.

BE PART OF OUR MISHKAN TORAH SISTERHOOD NEW YEAR'S CARD

It is that time of the summer when we are again accepting subscriptions for the 5772 New Year's greeting card. If you were inscribed last year, we hope you will continue this tradition. If you were not inscribed, we hope that you will add your name and those of your family members to our greeting card, which is sent to our whole Mishkan Torah family.

Your subscription conveying holiday wishes for the New Year will show your support for our synagogue. To continue your custom of including your name, fill out the form below, attach your check for \$15 (made payable to MISHKAN TORAH SISTERHOOD), and leave it in the Sisterhood box.

Do not add this to your summer pile of "things to be done later." Fill out the form, write your check for \$15 and mail them today! You will have one less thing to remember to do.

High Holiday Greeting 2011 – 5772

Please include our names on the greeting card as follows:

(Example: Rebecca, Isaac, and Jacob Abramson)

Please make sure that the spelling and order of the names (immediate family only) is the way that you wish them to appear on the greeting card.

Please use a separate subscription form for married children.

RHYME TIME

The lazy days of summer make us lethargic,
 But there is still so much we need to do.
 The Holidays will soon be with us,
 And our resting times will be mighty few.
 So gather your strength, get a friend to join you,
 Help her as she learns and enjoys activities all new.

Irene Spector

CALLING ALL WOMEN!

by Annie Haber

Sisterhood invites all women who are not presently Sisterhood members to join us this year and support the many programs and activities that we do. Dues are only \$36 and include an invitation to our Paid-up Membership Brunch.

This year it's scheduled for Sunday, October 9, so SAVE THE DATE!

Did you know that Sisterhood makes an annual contribution to Mishkan Torah of at least \$6,000? This year we have pledged even more to help with the financial situation of the synagogue. The only way we can continue to do this is to have your support as a member.

What does that mean? We would like to have **all** of our Mishkan Torah women be members of our Sisterhood this year! It's a wonderful opportunity to get to know other women while we work together for our *shul* and have fun at the same time! Our activities vary each year, but have included theater outings, a lunch cruise, museum tours, yoga and other exercise classes, rummage sale and jewelry sale madness, and the preparation of gourmet meals.

Some of our members help us simply by joining and paying their dues, even if they are too busy with other things to participate in our meetings and events. Additionally, Sisterhood membership is open to friends and relatives who are not members of Mishkan Torah.

You should have received a statement in the mail. We hope you will fill it out and become one of our new members this year. Or you can fill out this form and send it to the *shul* with your payment of \$36.

Call Annie Haber (301 345 8475) if you have any questions about dues.

SISTERHOOD MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

I am enclosing my payment of \$36 to become a member of Sisterhood.

AUGUST CALENDAR OF EVENTS

5	Erev Shabbat Family Services	7:30 p.m.
6	Shabbat Chazon – Parshat Devarim	9:30 a.m.
7	Red Cross Blood Drive Sponsored by Social Action	11:30 a.m.
9	Tisha B'Av (Ninth of Av) Fast Day	
12	Erev Shabbat Services	8 p.m.
13	Shabbat Nachamu – Parshat V'Etchanan	9:30 a.m.
19	Erev Shabbat Services	8 p.m.
20	Shabbat Parshat Ekev	9:30 a.m.
26	Erev Shabbat Services	8 p.m.
27	Shabbat Parshat Re'eh	9:30 a.m.

AUGUST YAHRZEITS

August 5

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Isidore Choper
Celia Shinderman*
Margaret Peggy Markfield*
Mamie Lieberman*
Max Rubenstein*
Mae Gordon*
Jacob Epstein
Charles Samuel Dondes*
Rebecca Ruderman*
Julius Stone

August 12

Rose Rubin*

Ian Mark Leon*

Harry Rubenstein*

Irving Gerring*

August 19

Emily Hakim
Faye Schreyer Weiss*
Leon Finder*
Seymour Kritt*
Carl Levine
David Archer Stamler
David Kramer*
Joseph Schwartz*
Israel I. Ruderman*
Rudolph Mund*

August 26

Sheftel Bukzin*
Caroline Fischer
Ben Kritt
Lillian Ginsburg*
Solomon S. Rogal
Esther Davis
Elizabeth Wallach*
Hannah Rosenstock
Ruby Rubenstein
Hedi Axelrad*
Herman Millison*
Cantor Harry Klion*
Benjamin Epstein*
Aaron Salzberg

SEPTEMBER PREVIEW

2	Erev Shabbat Family Services	7:30 p.m.
3	Shabbat Parshat Shoftim	9:30 a.m.
5	Labor Day	
9	Erev Shabbat Services	7:30 p.m.
10	Shabbat Parshat Ki Tetze	9:30 a.m.
16	Erev Shabbat Services	8 p.m.
17	Shabbat Parshat Ki Tavo	9:30 a.m.
23	Erev Shabbat Services	8 p.m.
24	Shabbat Parshat N'Tzavim/VaYelech	9:30 a.m.
28	Erev Rosh Hashanah	8 p.m.
29	First Day Rosh Hashanah	9 a.m.
30	Second Day Rosh Hashanah	9 a.m.

GOLDSTEIN, FUNG TO RECEIVE FIRST YOUNG LEADERSHIP AWARD

by Jeffrey Rosen

When it comes to entertaining, entrancing, and enthralling members of the younger generation, the legendary Pied Piper of Hamelin had nothing on Mishkan Torah's own Bret Goldstein and Darelynn Fung. Fittingly, the Ways and Means Committee will honor Bret and Darelynn as the recipients of Mishkan Torah's first-ever Young Leadership Award. The Award will be presented at the conclusion of a special Shabbat service on Saturday, September 17, 2011. The Committee has established the Young Leadership Award to amplify and give further voice to its ongoing theme of "From Generation to Generation." The Award is intended to honor and to single out younger members of Mishkan Torah who have made outstanding efforts and unique contributions to the life of the Synagogue. Bret and Darelynn personify the criteria for the Award and are the inevitable choices to be the first recipients.

Bret and Darelynn have channeled their unbounded talent, energy, and enthusiasm into revivifying and strengthening Mishkan Torah's education and youth programs to reach the vibrant point they are at today. Bret and Darelynn, who have been married for eighteen years, are both teachers by profession at the same school, Berwyn Heights Elementary School. Bret became Education Director of Beth Torah Congregation in 2001, and was the Education Director of the joint Beth Torah and Karp Family School during the 2004-2007 period. Bret and Darelynn joined Mishkan Torah in 2007, and Bret has served as the Chair of the Children's Education Committee since 2007. He has led Family Services the first Friday of every month at Mishkan Torah since 2005, and Children's High Holiday Services at Mishkan Torah since 2007.

Darelynn, a trained bassoonist, dancer, and music teacher, has been co-administrator of the Mishkan Torah Facebook page, helped design the Mishkan Torah website, organized the Yoga Shabbat Program at Mishkan Torah, and was co-chair of the Youth Programs Committee. Bret and Darelynn have not only joined their talents on behalf of Mishkan Torah's young people, but have played in Flashlight, which they describe as a "funky/go-go band" together for the past twenty years on the wedding and bar mitzvah circuit. They have three children, Aaron, Sam, and Elta.

The plans are proceeding apace to make the ceremony an unforgettable occasion. Events will

include skits and other entertainment by students from the Karp family school, tributes to the honorees, the ceremonial presentation of the Young Leadership Award, words from the honorees, and a luncheon. There will also be a special souvenir program book. These events will occur in lieu of Musaf at the Saturday morning service after the conclusion of the Torah service, Aleinu, and Mourners' Kaddish. Consequently, any persons desiring to say Kaddish should be present at the conclusion of the Torah service.

Tickets for the luncheon are on sale now. The Ways and Means Committee has held the price down to only \$11.50 per ticket, which is essentially the price of the food. You may purchase your tickets from the Synagogue or online from the Synagogue's website, www.MishkanTorah.org and follow the prompts. To make things even easier, you may use the flyer appearing elsewhere in this issue of *The Trumpet*. You will have the further opportunity to make an additional donation in honor of Bret and Darelynn and you may utilize the Flyer or the website to facilitate that process. All persons who make a donation will be listed in the souvenir book. Since the event will be on Shabbat, you cannot buy a ticket or make a donation at the door, so please do so in advance. Come out and support Bret, Darelynn, and Mishkan Torah's high-flying youth and educational programs, and our future by attending this fabulous function. See you on 9/17!

SCRAPBOOK PROJECT HONORING BRET & DARELYNN NEEDS YOU

Your help and talent are needed to honor Bret & Darelynn as we. We're create a scrapbook highlighting their involvement with Mishkan Torah.

We are asking friends and family to put together 8 1/2 x 11" pages with words and/or pictures that represent what they've meant to you. If you have had Bret or Darelynn for a teacher and/or you have come to family services, **please** take the time to make a scrapbook page. The more people involved, the better the keepsake will be.

Send your page to Mishkan Torah and we'll include it in the scrapbook. If you need help or materials, we will also have scrapbooking workshops on Wednesdays September 7 and 14 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Questions? Contact Aurena Komisar at aurena@gmail.com.

MISHKAN TORAH GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGES THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS

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WAYS & MEANS

By Angie Carmel

The Ways & Means Committee reminds everyone to please donate canned and packaged nonperishable foods for the Greenbelt Food Bank. We have thus far scheduled two events scheduled for the coming year, both of which will carry on our theme, "Generation to Generation":

Saturday, September 10: Plans are well underway to honor Bret Goldstein and Darelynn Fung with our first Young Leaders Award for their work with the school and youth, as well as their support for the Mishkan Torah community. Following shortened Shabbat services will be a program written by our very talented students from the Karp Family School and the Youth Group. If you've seen our young people perform in the past, you know you don't want to miss seeing them again this time. See the article by Jeff Rosen elsewhere in this Trumpet, as well as the flyer giving details on how to purchase tickets to honor this well-deserving couple.

Saturday, October 22, 7:30 p.m. The New Klezmer Quintet has offered to perform a fundraiser for Mishkan Torah and we have accepted. There is a connection between this band and Greenbelt, as its founding member is Brian Choper, son of Eva and Jordan Choper, who are longstanding members of the Synagogue and residents of Greenbelt.

As many of you will remember, Brian and his band performed a highly successful, sell-out concert at Mishkan Torah seven years ago,

which helped us get our new roof, and another, equally successful concert four years ago.



Joining the band for this year's concert will be special guests, friends of Brian and the band, including Bruce Middle from Fleetwood Mac and Alan Oresky.

Alan himself follows our Generation to Generation theme, as does his brother Saul, sons of beloved Estelle & Seymour Oresky, members of Mishkan Torah for years before sadly passing. The New Klezmer Quintet will be working combo arrangements of Klezmer-Bluegrass, in what we know will be an incredibly fun evening.

Save the following dates:

March 4, 2012 (snow date March 11, 2012)
 - A revival of one of Mishkan Torah's all-time favorite shows.

May 13, 2012 - Another big concert.



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September 17, 2011
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Please fill in this form & return with your Luncheon Reservation by September 9.

Names* _____ Phone# _____

Cost for meal: \$11.50/person # attending _____ x \$11.50 = \$ _____

Please consider a donation in their honor. \$ _____

I/We are unable to attend but would like to make a donation in their honor. \$ _____

Checks payable to Mishkan Torah TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

*As you want them to appear in the Program Book on the Donors and/or Attendees Page

Reservations can also be made online at www.mishkantorah.org.

THE NEW KLEZMER QUINTET TO PERFORM FUNDRAISER AT MISHKAN TORAH

By Jeffrey Rosen

The Ways and Means Committee is excited to announce that the New Klezmer Quintet has accepted the Committee's invitation to perform a special Fundraiser at Mishkan Torah on Saturday, October 22, at 7:30 p.m. This performance marks the band's first appearance at Mishkan Torah since its now-legendary appearance before an enthusiastic and sold-out house in the spring of 2007.

In keeping with the ongoing "From Generation to Generation" theme, the band has several ties to Mishkan Torah. A founding member of the Klezmer Quintet, drummer Brian Choper, grew up at Mishkan Torah as the son of pillars of the Synagogue Jordan and Eva Choper. Additionally, fabled violinist Alan Oresky, the son of beloved late members Seymour and Estelle Oresky, z'l, and the brother of Saul Oresky, will also perform. Another noted musician, Bruce Middle, from the band Fleetwood Mac, will be playing with the band as well.

The Klezmer Quintet utilizes the vocabulary of traditional klezmer and fuses it with disparate styles such as blue grass, middle eastern, and even classic rock to meld its own unique "Fusion Klezmer" style. You may hear samples of the band's musical outpouring from its website at www.entertainmentdc.com. (See "Bands" tab on top, click on "New Klezmer Quintet.")

The band has played for many spotlight events, including President Barack Obama's inauguration. It has performed for notables like Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley, then-Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, and President of Russia Dmitry Medvedev. The band has additionally played at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and has been featured on National Public Radio. The band recorded a live album entitled *The New Klezmer Quintet-Unexpected Joy*, portions of which were taken from a previous Mishkan Torah appearance and which includes an energetic mix of Klezmer, Ladino, swing, and jazz. Tracks from the album have been placed on rotation on many radio stations and have been simulcast on National Public Radio.

Tickets are expected to go on sale shortly at a cost of \$23 per ticket if purchased in advance and, in the unlikely event any remain after the presales, \$25 each.

See the picture on page 12.

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by the twentieth of each month unless announced otherwise.



You will not want to miss what should be one of the all-time cultural milestones in the history of Mishkan Torah, a performance by The New Klezmer Quintet, pictured above. Each performance of the New Klezmer Quintet is a separate and new experience from previous concerts, tailored to the occasion of the show. This gala concert will be no exception. (See the full story on page 11.)

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YOUTH SETS LABOR DAY REHEARSAL

The Karp Family School and Mishkan Torah youth group will meet after Friday services August 5 and rehearse Israeli folk dancing for the Greenbelt Labor Day parade.

In past years, MT dancers have received awards of 2nd place and honorable mention for their traditional and complementary performances.

Come dressed to move. Please contact Marissa (YouthPrograms@MishkanTorah.org) if you are interested but cannot come to this meeting.

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