



**CONGREGATION
B'NAI TIKVAH**

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OUR HISTORY - OUR HOPE

In the summer of 1976 twenty young Deerfield families, seeking to form a close-knit Jewish community, to find spiritual expression for themselves and a Jewish education for their children, founded Congregation B'nai Tikvah, *Children of Hope*.

This tri-part aspiration reflected our people's ancient understanding of such an institution: namely, a *bet tefillah*, a house of prayer; a *bet midrash*, a house of study; and a *bet kneset*, a house of assembly.

OUR GROWTH

Over the years, our Congregation has gained an enviable reputation for excellence in each of these sacred strivings. Our Shabbat, Festival and weekday family services are characterized by a warm spirituality and an informal dignity, celebrated by exuberant congregational participation.

EDUCATION: OUR YOUTH

Our Religious School, offering programs from kindergarten through high school, has been acknowledged as among the most progressive and effective in the Chicago metropolitan community. The B'nai Tikvah/Board of Jewish Education Early Childhood Center program has earned universal acclaim, and our innovative BarlBat Mitzvah program has earned a nationwide reputation for its excellence.

Our youth enjoy exciting activities and fellowship within our USY, Kadima and Makor programs. Our post B'nai Mitzvah students serve as Junior Tutors in our BarlBat Mitzvah programs and participate fully in our religious services.

ADULTS: EDUCATION AND FELLOWSHIP

Congregation B'nai Tikvah's award-winning Continuing Jewish Education Program offers a wide range of courses for individual or group learning as well as a number of guest speakers through a series of scholarin-residence programs.

Reflecting the diversity of our activities, Congregation B'nai Tikvah prides itself in the exciting programming of our Sisterhood as well as the Chavurah programs of our young families, single adults, empty nesters and seniors.

OUR B'NI TIKVAH FAMILY

Whether for religious services, study or fellowship, our gatherings reflect the warmth and joy of a true congregational family. This welcoming spirit is palpable from the moment one enters our administrative offices and our beautiful Synagogue lobby. We welcome you.



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Dear Prospective Member:

Thank you for your interest in becoming a part of the Congregation B'nai Tikvah family.

We encourage you to join us for Shabbat services on Friday evenings or Saturday mornings, and to take the opportunity to meet Rabbi Alex Felch, Felicia Lev, Director of Education; Edgardo Imar, Director of Operations; our staff, and members of the Congregation.

In addition to our worship services and Festival celebrations, we sponsor a vital education program for children beginning at the primary level through post B'nai Mitzvah classes. Additionally, we house the B'nai Tikvah Board of Jewish Education Early Childhood Center, and offer Makor, Kadima, USY, and youth programs for our third grade through high school youth. Many members participate in our Continuing Jewish Education programs ranging from Hebrew and Torah studies to contemporary issues in Jewish life. We also have an active Sisterhood, Men's Club, and Social Action Committee.

We know you will find that membership in Congregation B'nai Tikvah will enhance your Jewish identity and fulfill your spiritual, cultural and social needs. We welcome the opportunity to discuss any aspect of Synagogue life with you and your family. As you consider membership, please call the Synagogue office to make an appointment with Rabbi Felch, who looks forward to meeting you and welcoming you to our Synagogue.

Please feel free to call the Synagogue office if you have any questions. We look forward to meeting you soon.

Welcome to B'nai Tikvah.

Sincerely,

Amy Charlson
Membership Chair



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July, 2010

Dear Prospective Member:

Following is a dues schedule for our fiscal year July 1, 2010, to June 30, 2011. We are pleased to note that due to the tremendous efforts of our staff in finding savings throughout our operating budget and to the continuing generosity of many of our fellow congregants who have made additional financial contributions to support our operations, we have been able to keep dues, tuition and most of our other fees at 2009-2010 levels.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Any balance for the concluding or prior years is due immediately. An initial payment of \$500 for the new fiscal year is due by August 1, 2010. The balance of fees, annual building fund, and 1/3 of religious school fees is due by September 1, 2010. The remainder of religious school fees is due by December 31, 2010. Please note that if you have a child entering the Vav class (6th grade), your statement includes the Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Half of the Bar/Bat Mitzvah fee is due no later than December 31, 2010. The balance of those fees is required to be paid at least four weeks prior to your child's Bar/Bat Mitzvah date, but also may be paid prior to that time.

VISA/MASTERCARD

Payments in the form of Visa/MasterCard are acceptable. To take advantage of this convenience, complete and sign the enclosed form and return it to the Synagogue office. Your Visa/MasterCard payments may be made in full, in four quarterly installments, or ten installments, the last of which would be in April, 2011. **This Visa/MasterCard option is the only method available for deferring your payments beyond December 31, 2010, unless other arrangements have been made with the Director of Operations, Edgardo Imar. For your protection and to assure the accuracy of your current credit card information, the authorization form must be signed and returned to the Synagogue office each year.**

Note: we incur a processing fee of more than 2% for all credit card charges. Please consider making a donation to B'nai Tikvah to cover the processing fees if you elect to charge your fees and other payment items.

HIGH HOLIDAY TICKETS

High Holiday tickets will be mailed in late August only to those members in good financial standing. No one will be admitted to High Holiday services without a ticket.

We do not sell High Holiday tickets to non-members. However, members may purchase tickets for their parents or non-dependent adult children unaffiliated with another synagogue, at a cost of \$275 per ticket.

If you have any questions regarding membership, please call Edgardo Imar, Director of Operations, 847-945-0470.

Cordially,

David G. Spak
Vice President, Finance
spaklaw@gmail.com



SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR 2010-2011
(July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011)

MEMBERSHIP FEES:

FULL FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$2150.00

Including 2 Adult High Holy Days Tickets

SINGLE MEMBERSHIP/SINGLE PARENT MEMBERSHIP \$1345.00

Including 1 Adult High Holy Days Ticket

JUNIOR FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$1345.00

- a) Principal wage earner under 35 on July 1, 2010
- b) No children in the B'nai Tikvah Hebrew School (3rd – 7th Grade)
- c) Includes 2 High Holy Days Tickets

DISCOUNTED DUES FOR NEW YOUNG FAMILIES W/CHILDREN \$550.00

- a) New Full and Single Parent members with at least one child in 4th grade or younger will pay discounted dues for the next two fiscal years (2010/11-2011/12).
Building fund will be deferred for same 2 years.
- b) Not valid for current members or families that have resigned during 2009/10 or 2010/11.
- c) Including 2 Adult High Holy Days Tickets

JUNIOR SINGLE MEMBERSHIP \$ 645.00

- a) Not married; no children
- b) Under 30 on July 1, 2010
- c) Includes 1 Adult High Holy Days Ticket

SENIOR FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$1315.00

- a) Husband or wife at least 65 years old by July 1, 2010
- b) No children in B'nai Tikvah Religious School
- c) Includes 2 High Holy Days Tickets

SENIOR SINGLE MEMBERSHIP \$ 660.00

- a) Not married and at least 65 years old by July 1, 2010
- b) No children in B'nai Tikvah Religious School
- c) Includes 1 High Holy Days Ticket

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP \$ 375.00

- a) Has Family Membership in another Congregation
- b) No children in B'nai Tikvah Religious School
- c) No Bar/Bat Mitzvah in our Synagogue
- d) No High Holy Days Tickets

UNITED SYNAGOGUE DUES

All Memberships (Excluding Associate Members) \$ 77.00

BUILDING FUND:

Effective July 1, 1991, each member has been assessed with a Building Fund of \$3000 payable as follows:

Full Family Membership	\$500.00 per year
Single Family and Junior Members	\$250.00 per year
Senior and Associate Members have no Building Fund obligations.	

NEW MEMBERS ONLY: A \$500 discount will be given on the building fund assessment if it is paid in full within 30 days after becoming a member.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FEES: Please note that membership is required for families of those children entering the Hebrew Department (Gimel/3rd grade).

FOR MEMBERS

Hebrew Department (per child) (Gimel/3 rd - Zayin/7 th Grades)	\$925.00
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Primary Department (per child) (Kindergarten, 1 st /Aleph and 2 nd /Bet Grade)	\$715.00
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Three (3) or more children in religious school

Fee for 3rd child (youngest): 25% discount

Fee for each additional child (starting with youngest): 50% discount

FOR NON-MEMBERS

Primary Department (Kindergarten through 2 nd /Bet Grades)	\$980.00
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TEXTBOOKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Fee for each child in religious school, Grades K-7	\$ 20.00
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ETZ CHAIM

Grades 8-12.	\$150.00
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BAR/BAT MITZVAH FEE:

For each Bar/Bat Mitzvah child (charged during 6 th Grade/Vav year)	\$800.00
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GRADUATION FEE:

For each child enrolled in the 7 th Grade/Zayin year	\$200.00
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YOUTH PROGRAM FEES:

MAKOR – Grades 4-5	\$ 20.00
KADIMA – Grades 6-8	\$ 35.00
USY – Grades 9-12	\$ 45.00

FEE PAYMENT SCHEDULE (if not paid by credit card):

1. By July 31, 2010 - \$500 payable
2. By August 31, 2010 - \$100% of Membership Fee, Annual Building Fund, and 1/3 of School Fees payable
3. By December 31, 2010 - Balance due



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

FAMILY NAME _____

DATE _____

Please check one:	
(see Fee Schedule for definition)	
_____	Full Family Membership
_____	Single Family Membership
_____	Junior Family Membership
_____	Single Membership
_____	Junior Single Membership
_____	Senior Family Membership
_____	Senior Single Membership
_____	Associate Membership

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____ PHONE _____

MARITAL STATUS: Single _____ Married _____ Divorced _____ Widowed _____ Date Married _____

MEMBER/HUSBAND

FIRST NAME (Mr., Dr., Ms., etc.) _____

Name you prefer to go by

BIRTHDATE _____

JEWISH BY _____ Birth _____ Traditional _____ Not Jewish
Conversion

OCCUPATION _____

NAME OF BUSINESS _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____

BUSINESS PHONE _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

CELL PHONE _____

HEBREW NAME _____

(Please transliterate; include father's & mother's Hebrew name)

PLEASE INDICATE IF: Kohane _____ Levite _____ Israelite _____

SPOUSE

FIRST NAME (Mr., Dr., Ms., etc.) _____

Name you prefer to go by

MAIDEN NAME _____

BIRTHDATE _____

JEWISH BY _____ Birth _____ Traditional _____ Not Jewish
Conversion

OCCUPATION _____

NAME OF BUSINESS _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____

BUSINESS PHONE _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

CELL PHONE _____

HEBREW NAME _____

(Please transliterate; include father's & mother's Hebrew name)

PLEASE INDICATE IF: Kohane _____ Levite _____ Israelite _____

RELATIONSHIP TO B'NAI TIKVAH MEMBERS _____

CHILDREN

Please indicate whether children are Jewish by birth (mother is Jewish) or traditional conversion.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SEX</u>	<u>HEBREW NAME</u>	<u>BIRTHDATE</u>	<u>BAR/BAT MITZVAH DATE</u>	<u>SCHOOL & GRADE</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

COLLEGE ADDRESS INFORMATION

(If you have college age children, please supply the information requested below.)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COLLEGE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>YEAR IN SCHOOL</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH SIDES and return this form to: Congregation B'nai Tikvah, 1558 Wilmot Rd., Deerfield, IL 60015

Previous Synagogue affiliation _____

Please indicate if any members of your family have expertise in any particular field of Judaism which may be helpful to us and which they would be willing to share, i.e., Torah reading, etc.

Yahrzeit Information

Do you wish to be notified of Yahrzeit dates? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please provide the following information:

<u>ENGLISH NAME</u>	<u>HEBREW NAME</u> (include father's Hebrew name)	<u>MONTH, DAY, YEAR</u> <u>OF PASSING</u> (English Calendar; before/after sundown?)	<u>RELATIONSHIP</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Educational Background

MEMBER/HUSBAND'S NAME _____ SPOUSE'S NAME _____

SECULAR EDUCATION – College(s) attended/degree(s) earned: _____

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JEWISH EDUCATION

Hebrew Day School _____
Hebrew School _____
Hebrew High School _____
Bar Mitzvah? _____
(date and Parsha if known)

JEWISH EDUCATION

Hebrew Day School _____
Hebrew School _____
Hebrew High School _____
Bat Mitzvah? _____
(date and Parsha if known)

Hebrew Reading Skills
(scale of 1-5, 5 being excellent)
Torah Reading _____
Haftarah _____
Hazzan skills _____
Judaic Skills _____

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OTHER SKILLS AND INTERESTS: _____

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SPECIAL AREAS OF INTEREST IN SYNAGOGUE LIFE: _____

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Who referred you to Congregation B'nai Tikvah? _____



Please mail or fax to:

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FAX: (847) 945-0706
Attention: Polina Konanova

FROM: _____

Sender's Fax Number: _____

Sender's Phone Number: _____

Number of pages transmitted including the Fax Cover Sheet: _____

Additional Message: _____

Visa/MasterCard Usage Authorization Form for Dues & School Fees

NAME _____ DATE _____

(Please print Last and First Name)

PHONE _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

Unless otherwise stated, I hereby authorize Congregation B'nai Tikvah to use my credit card for payment of all Dues and School Fees billed on my membership account as follows:

___ Use my credit card, dividing my charges over 10 months, July 2010 through April 2011.

___ Use my credit card, dividing my charges over 4 installments, July 2010, October 2010, January 2011, April 2011.

___ Use my credit card to pay my account in full at this time. Total charge \$ _____

I would like the following to be charged on my credit card (please initial each one that applies)

High Holiday Pledge ___ Yizkor Book ___ Kiddush ___ Bar/Bat Mizvah Fee ___

The Synagogue incurs a 2% processing fee for all credit card charges, amounting to approximately \$15,000 this fiscal year. If you do use your credit card, we would appreciate an additional donation to help defray these costs.

If you choose to make this type of donation, how much would you like to donate? \$ _____

VISA or M/C # _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Expiration Date ____ / ____ / ____

Security Code _____

Signature _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____