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May 10, 2010

Dear B'nai Tikvah Families:

Congregation B'nai Tikvah is excited to announce that we are once again hosting a "USY on Wheels" bus on Sunday evening, August 8, 2010!

As you may remember, "USY on Wheels" is a six-week bus tour of North America. Participants (known as "Wheelniks") are high-school aged members of United Synagogue Youth from across the country. While visiting historical and unique places in many different cities, the "Wheelniks" will have the opportunity to experience Jewish life with various families across the nation.

In December, as part of our International Pre-Convention festivities, our visiting USYers were fortunate to have the opportunity to stay with some of our members. This is a unique and special opportunity, and we hope that you will fulfill the mitzvah of *hachnasat orchim*, and open your homes to our guests this summer.

Volunteers like you are needed to house at least 2 teenagers the night of Sunday, August 8, 2010. Hosts will need to provide sleeping accommodations for one night, as well as transportation to and from B'nai Tikvah on Sunday evening and Monday morning. No meals are required, and you do not need to have children to participate – everyone is welcome to help.

If you can help us welcome the visiting "Wheelniks" by opening your home for that evening, please fill out and return the form below as soon as possible. Please be sure to indicate if you have any pets, as some of the participants have allergies. If you are unable to host, but are interested in helping welcome our guests in other ways, please contact me, as we will also be seeking volunteers to help prepare and serve meals and assist with other logistical issues. If you have any additional questions about "USY on Wheels", I will be happy to answer them.

Thank you so much for your help. Hosting a "USY on Wheels" bus is an outstanding opportunity for our Congregation!

Todah Rabbah!

Sam Rodin
Congregation B'nai Tikvah Youth Director

USY On Wheels Hosting Form- August 8, 2010

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Pets: _____

I can house (#) _____ circle one: boys girls doesn't matter

Please return to the BT Office, 1558 Wilmot Road, Deerfield, IL 60015 ASAP.