



THE TATTLER

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*Our beloved founders presented to us a beautiful temple of family ties.
It is our duty to preserve it for our future generations - cousins forever!*

Next Meeting

Come on – join us

Our next meeting will take place on Sunday, January 11, 2009 at 11:30 AM at the home of Sharon & Tom Ranonis, xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, Teaneck, NJ. Please give them a call at (201) xxx-xxxx and let them know that you'll be there! A collation will be served.

Last Meeting

Here's some of what you missed

Our last meeting was held on Sunday, October 5, 2008 at the home of Arlene & Stanley Rothman. A new member, Daniel Stern, son of Clifford Stern, was proposed and inducted into the Circle. The following motion was made: "I, Stanley Rothman, a member in good standing, make a motion to amend the By Laws of the BFC that the fee of \$150 be eliminated prior to the issuance of permit to erect a footstone at all the BFC cemeteries.

Jack Cohen Memorial Fund – Thank you for your contributions

% Arlene Rothman, xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx., Bayside, NY 11360 Checks payable to Jack Cohen Memorial Fund

I thought it would be a good idea to publish some information about the Jack Cohen Memorial Fund, so that all cousins might have better understanding of its origin, purpose, and goals. I need to thank Saul Cohen and Murray Tulis for providing me with so much information and insight.

Jack Cohen was the fifth President of the BFC. He married Deane Ginsburg, daughter of Nathan and Regina Ginsburg, heads of one of the original branches of the BFC.

Jack was dedicated to see the organization grow; he was a highly energetic person, a terrific worker, and wonderful fund raiser when we needed it most - at the beginning. He was a hell raiser to make others see his point-of-view, and there were many a verbal scrap between him and other cousins, but it was only for the good of the Circle. His love and devotion to the BFC could not be questioned!

Since he worked so tirelessly concerning the maintenance and upkeep of our cemeteries, The Jack Cohen Memorial Fund was set up shortly after his death, both to honor him and as a means to raise funds to continue his efforts. It has been the practice over the years to make a contribution to this Fund at the time of a loved one's passing, on the occasion of a yahrzeit, or as the spirit moves you. The Fund continues to be used exclusively for its intended purpose - perpetuating and beautifying the BFC cemeteries.

Now that you know more about it, why not consider a small contribution to the Jack Cohen Memorial Fund.

To the memory of Florence Shear: Michael & Irene Shear, Joyce & Murray Tulis, Sharon & Tom Ranonis, Dr. Richard Bernstein & family.

From the Editor

The view from my desk

The reviews are in! I got about a half a dozen calls telling me how good my first edition of *The Tattler* was – thanks mom, but honestly, one call would have been enough! Seriously though, thanks to all the many cousins who took the time to drop me a line with “congratulations”.

In discussions, I was asked, “*what does it cost to put out The Tattler*”? The Summer *Tattler* was a 6-page edition and cost approximately \$325.00 or \$1.30 per *Tattler* (and that’s without the envelopes!) to publish and mail 250 copies – yes that’s our mailing list (which includes some BFC members in Europe and Asia) - and we publish four *Tattlers* a year! Between now and the next edition I’ll be working on other items to help *The Tattler* not only reduce printing and postage costs, but “go green”, including reconciling our mailing list and looking into sending you *The Tattler* via e-mail! By the way, the last *Tattler* was published on “chlorine free, 35% recycled paper.

Before I get too far ahead of myself, please let me know if you'd be interested in an "Electronic Tattler". Send me an e-mail - finetimer @ comcast.net - and I'll add your name to the list. Then, starting with the first Tattler of 2009, you'll get your Tattler on your computer, not in the mail.

Judging by the number of cousins that contacted me with information for our “**Looking Into The Circle**” section, I sense that there may be a renewed interest in the BFC, our history and genealogy. I would love to see this continue, so come on cousins, share the news – we’re all family!

~ ~ ~ **ATTENTION PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS** ~ ~ ~

PAYING DUES FOR OTHER MEMBERS OF YOUR FAMILY

Even though you’re paying BFC Membership Dues for members of your family, *please don’t assume that I have their correct address for mailing The Tattler.* Please take a minute to contact me to confirm your children’s correct mailing address.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM OUR CEMETERY CHAIRMAN,

Dr. Richard Bernstein

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There are over 200 grave sites available in the three cemetery plots owned by the BFC. These are Beth David in Elmont NY, Beth Moses in Farmingdale NY, and Maple Grove in Queens, NY (non-sectarian).

Any BFC member in good standing that wishes to request a grave site reservation must do so in writing. In return, the Cemetery Chairman will confirm, also in writing, the row and grave number(s) assigned. All grave reservations will be kept in the reservation file. Please note, you may only reserve a grave for yourself and your spouse. Brothers, sisters, and children over 18 must make their own reservation, and they too must be members in good standing of the BFC. Deceased members in good standing, not of the Jewish faith, may only be buried at the Maple Grove Cemetery. The reservation request process is being implemented to avoid confusion and conflicting requests. Remember, reservations will be not be honored if the member is suspended.

Send your request to: Dr. Richard Bernstein, xxxxxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx, Dix Hills, NY 11746

Looking Into The Circle

News about our family members from far and wide – send me some information about your family

We are sad to announce the passing of Alvin Corbin (Nathan & Regina Ginsburg Branch) on June 28, 2008, in Colorado Springs, CO. Next of kin are his wife, Beverly, son, Robert, and daughters, Debbie and Judy. Our condolences to the entire Corbin family.

It is also with great sadness that we announce the passing of former BFC President, Florence Shear (Rosa Gittel and Morris Bernstein Branch) in Boca Raton, FL on September 27 2008. Florence was our 46th President and a very active member that made many contributions to the BFC. She is survived by her husband, Ralph Leon Shear, who was our 23rd President. Our condolences to the entire Shear family.

Correction from last Tattler - website for Dave Wagner is: wagnerroads.com

Jacob Bernstein took a first place blue ribbon in his division at the Thomas School of horsemanship. Jeremy Bernstein was awarded the President's Education Awards Program upon his graduation from middle school this past June and will be entering High School this September. Proud mom and dad are Barbara and Richard Bernstein.

Brothers Steve and Marty Parker (Sam and Sara Weber Branch) and their families (Steve, Ruth Rankin, Ben & Ted and Marty & Hana) vacationed for a week in a secluded cabin in the Adirondacks in July. Ted Rankin-Parker, a cellist at the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, will be playing a contemporary piece by Steve Reich at The Kitchen, a hot spot for new music in New York City on November 13 & 14th. Also on the bill is the Grammy Award winning group, Eighth Blackbird. Check the web site for more details.

A happy bride, Margo Tiffen and groom, Rick Casados, were married in NY on September 20.

It was a walk down the aisle for Michael Bernstein and his bride, Jessica Michaels, on June 22, also in NYC. The week before, a blue stork paid a visit to brother Rob & Jennifer Bernstein, delivering Nathan Asher Bernstein on June 6, 7 lbs. - 11 oz. Happy parents and grandparents are Stuart and Carolyn Bernstein.

It's pink booties for Allyson and Judd Shaw. Jayden Brodie Shaw was born on August 8, 2008, 8 lbs.-11 oz. Happy grandma is Shelly Schneir, great grandparents are Edie & Jerry Bernstein.

While we're on the subject of pink booties, our BFC President, Sharon Ranonis is a grandma again. Effie Harper Wax was born on September 9, 2008. Proud mom and dad are Ben & Farrah Wax.

Cliff Stern reports that his daughter, Laura, has adopted a kitten named Homer, and that he and friend Jane have adopted a 4-year old Golden Retriever. Jane has named him Ben, after her favorite quarterback, #7 of the Pittsburgh Steelers! Cliff and son Dan went on a fishing charter during summer vacation and caught a lot of King Mackerel and a black tip shark!

Justin Stone was called to The Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on September 13. Proud parents are Lori and David Stone. Proud grandparents are Barbara and Joel Rothman. Joel has just retired from 42 years with UBS.

Florre Fine (proud mother of Tattler Editor Alan Fine), flew up from Sunrise, FL to attend her great grandson's (Ethan Sundack) 1st birthday bash. Ethan's parents, Jennifer (proud daughter of Tattler Editor Alan Fine) & Peter hosted everyone at the Jumping Brook Country Club, "down the shore". Also flying up from Tampa, FL for the gala was Howie (proud son of Tattler Editor Alan Fine), Kimmie and Jacob Fine. Other cousins attending were Jay Rosenthal and his sisters, Jo-ann Messer and Shelly Falco. The birthday boy is Helene and Alan Fine's grandson – and is he gorgeous – you could die from such a good looking boy! Immediately after the party grandma and papa went to Las Vegas for a week to win money to pay for medical school!

Millicent Leif recovering from a stroke at The Forum, xxxx xxxxxxxx xxxxx xxxx, Deerfield Beach, FL 33442.

Arlene & Stanley Rothman celebrate their 58th Anniversary in November; Joyce & Murray Tulis celebrate their 60th on November 7.

Sunshine Report – by Maddie Silver

Our ever lovin', kissing cousin, Sunshine Lady announcing your birthday or anniversary

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Florrie Fine	Mel Ganz	Martin Rush	Eleanor Franklin
Randi Parker	Joe Cuce	Arlene Strigo	Stacey Bernstein
Irene Shear	Joshua Laufer	Robyn A. Cohen	Michael A. Bernstein
Jessica Laufer	Dr. Lionel Goldstein	Shareen Shear	Jake Tyler Osmun
Craig Tiffen	Zackri Kaspar	Pamela Rothman	Howard Mash
David Stone	Sam Bernstein	Barbara Rothman	Rebecca Turkel
Eric Antman	Elisha Antman	Ralph Leon Shear	Jerry Bernstein
Tara Antman	Michelle Brent	Alexander Stanley	Shana Weber
Ben Graulich	Stacy Renshaw	Bradley Rosenberg	Elizabeth Bernstein

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Debra & Mark Cohen	Susan & Allan Roberts	Emily & Scott Bernstein
Louise & Jerry Nathan	Beth & Glenn Goldstein	Beverly & Dr. Leonard Bernstein

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Jason Beil	Bernard Baskin	Deborah Bernstein	Barbara Bernstein
Lori Stone	Craig Laufer	Elliot Bernstein	Bonnie Guigliano
Dana Tulis	Carin Baskin	Dr. Daniel Berg	Steven Bernstein
Jason Cuce	Keith Ravens	Carol Schulman	Steven Bernstein
Donna Berl	Craig Stauber	Glenn Goldstein	Frances Antman
Sybil Weise	Joel Margolin	Gloria Margolin	Dr. Leonard Berl
Ethan Lazar	Helaine Harris	Ethan Bernstein	Dr. Robert Schulman
Adam Tiffe	Jared Hendricks	Sandra Kaspar	Ilana Schacter
Debra Cohen	Shelley Schneir	Muriel Hendricks	Dr. Jeffrey Beil
Tom Ranonis	Melissa Stanley	Nathan Goldstein	Michael J. Lazar
Pearl Antman	Marsha Gorman	Dr. Leonard Bernstein	Rosalind Bernstein
Ross Berman			

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Carole & Todd Green	Connie & Dr. Jeffrey Beil	Terri & Richard W. Bernstein
Joyce & Murray Tulis	Arlene & Stanley Rothman	Margaret & Stanley Goldberg
Irene & Michael Shear	Carolyn & Stuart Bernstein	Barbara & Stephen Bernstein
Allison & Andrew Grabin	Barbara & Stephen Steinberg	

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

David Hyman	Ira Kramer	Victoria N. Bernstein	Ben Wax
Pearl Barnes	Robyn Partnow	Alex Peter Rothman	George Leaver
Ted Siegel	Stacey Frank	Lloyd Waxman	Andrew Aronow
Anita Lazar	Sarah Bernstein	Terri Bernstein	Michael Bernstein
Benay Shear	Arlene Weber	Stuart Bernstein	Marian Bernstein
Dr. Ben Licht	Judy Schwarz	Wendy Rothman	Meredith Baskin

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Carole & Todd Green	Michelle & George Leaver
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DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY



REUNION WEEKEND



JUNE 5, 6, & 7, 2009

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Thursday, June 4 Arrivals Sold Out!

Make your room reservation now!

REMEMBER, THE BFC IS GIVING A 40% REBATE TO ALL "MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING" AS OF JUNE 13, 2008

The table below is per person based on double occupancy and illustrates the BFC 40% Rebate.

Table with columns: ROOM TYPE (1BR, DELUXE, CLASSIC), CHILDREN (3-6 YRS, 7-12 YRS, 13-19 YRS) and rows: RESORT RATE, 22.5% TAX & TIPS, YOU PAY RESORT, BFC REBATE, YOUR FINAL COST.

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MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW. CALL WOODLOCH TOLL FREE. 1 (800) 453-8263 ~ LET THEM KNOW YOU'RE WITH THE BFC ~

HELP MAKE THIS TRULY A "REUNION TO REMEMBER"

Hosted by cousins Alan & Helene Fine (732) xxx-xxxx - finetimer @ comcast.net

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about a real live BFC American hero ?**

Go to:

latinastyle.com/currentissue/
v14-3/letters.html

**and read about our cousin,
Marine Corps 1st Lt. Bessie Bernstein**

Support the BFC 75th Diamond Anniversary Weekend Place your Greeting in the Anniversary Journal

*Take out a family page ~ say hello to your cousins ~ congratulate the BFC
honor your parents or grandparents ~ let the BFC know that you appreciate its
history, what it stands for, what it means to you, or just thank the BFC for the
generous support in making this weekend such a success!*

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