

# BULLETIN

A PUBLICATION OF BETH HILLEL BNAI EMUNAH

July / August 2020

Tammuz / Av / Elul 5780



Shalom Haverim,

This year's summer looks and feels drastically different from the past. We find ourselves like many others throughout history, shaped by outside influences that alter the lives to which we have become accustomed. Yet, Jewish life continues. Our holidays, Shabbatot, lifecycles, learning, prayer all float above the ebb and flow of the world.

Throughout our recent shared experience, so much came to a pause. Schools suspended for in-person learning - many ending early or considered non-mandatory, and houses of worship physically closed.

But Jewish life did not halt. Of course, Jewish practice changed in format and realization, but our tradition could never disappear from us. *L'hefekh* - just the opposite. More community members than ever attended social events, learning opportunities, community-wide programming, and daily prayers services. There has been much to celebrate since the start of the pandemic, b'nai mitzvah, births, namings, *britot*, engagements, and even marriages.

In the challenge of the day, we have found much joy.

Rabbi Herbert Richer, who served as Rabbi of the former North London Progressive Synagogue in the early 1950s, taught:

"Is it not a paradox that the word *Simcha* - joy - should stubbornly pervade the liturgy and ceremonies and ideas of a people who have been consistently battered and bruised? Yet the Jewish person believes in serving the Lord with joy... When a Rabbi said in the Talmud that humans would be called to account for depriving him/herself of the good things which the world lawfully allows, surely this was his way of saying that the world is full of God. It is full of the beautiful and the good in which joy abounds."

We encounter joyous moments, even in the harshest times. Our role as individuals and as a community is to mark those unique glimpses of what extraordinary experiences this world offers with prayer, ritual, and celebration. We will continue to pursue a more just and holy society, but we can never lose gratitude for the godliness, along the way.

*B'Shalom,*

*Rabbi Crane*

Rabbi Crane.....	page 1
All in the Family.....	pages 2-4
President .....	page 5
Academy and Executive Director.....	page 6
Cantor Roytman.. ..	page 7
Library.....	page 8
Sisterhood.....	pages 9-13
Donations.....	pages 14-17
Shabbat Schedule.....	pages 18-19
Calendar.....	pages 20-21
Fleischman Ad.....	page 22

**Mazel Tov to:**

**Charlotte Glass** on the birth of her great grandson, Eli Adi

**Marcia and Marshall Dolnick** on their grandsons; Matthew Rebich graduating from the University of Illinois, Daniel Rebich graduating from Naperville North High School, Ethan Humphries-Dolnick graduating from Niles North High School

**Carole and Michael Dunn** on their granddaughter Mia Friedland's graduation from Solomon Schechter Day School

**Don and Carole Babendir** on their grandson Robert (Robbie) Aronoff's graduation from Claremont McKenna College

**Fred Rothschild** on his grandson Charlie's graduation, his granddaughter Miriam who has finished her second year of her university, his granddaughter Emily's acceptance to a PhD program in Clinical Psychology.

and his grandsons JJ and Zach who continue to work hard in their post-collegiate careers.

**Shelley Nathan** on her granddaughter Talia Schoenberg is graduating from Rochelle Zell High School entering Bradley University

**Elise Foss** on her daughters graduation from Niles North High School. She will be attending University of Illinois in the fall

**Lissa Chaloff and Dane Rutstein** on their daughter Sidra Rutstein's graduation from Haven Middle School and their son, Jack Rutstein's graduation, with honors, from Evanston Township High School

**Annette Berkowitz** on the birth of her great nephew, Shlomo Zalman Walder and on the birth of her great niece, Avery Eliza

**Nancy Wagner** on her son Matthew's graduation as Valedictorian from Wayland Academy

**Gili Sherman and Alan Malter** on their daughter Micaela's (Mika) graduation from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign with a bachelor's degree in early childhood education

**Jackie Ernest** on her son Max's graduation with honors from the University of Illinois with his bachelor's degree in Applied Sciences (Sports marketing / management)

**Helen Stopek** on her 95th Birthday

**Harold Primack** on his 73rd birthday

**Charone and Peter Ousley** on their 20<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary

**Carolyn Dinofsky** on her son Brian Braunstein's being elected President of The Jewish Family and Jewish Children's Services of St. Louis

**Michele Bresler** on her granddaughter, Eleanor Bresler's, graduation from the University of Utah

**Melanie Gordon** on her grandchildren's graduations, Megan ErNSTEEN from Michigan State and Eric Herwitz from Virginia Tech

**Michelle Reitman** on her 51<sup>st</sup> birthday

**Arthur and Greer** on their 55th wedding anniversary

**Greer Braun** on her birthday

**Randi Gideon and Daniel Sendlin** on their son Jonah's graduation, Summa Cum Laude from Niles North High School

**Sheila and Vern Gideon** on their grandson Jonah's graduation, Summa Cum Laude from Niles North High School

**Bruce Hershman** on his birthday

**Sheila and Vern Gideon** on their granddaughter Riley's graduation from the U of Michigan

**Rena and Doug Thompson** on their son Zachary's graduation from Niles West High School

**Louis Freeman** on his daughter Michelle's engagement to Zach Katz

**Susan Kay and David Baron** on the birth of their first grandchild, Elana River Baron

**Lia, Adam, & Serena Goldfarb** on the birth of their daughter & sister Mae Josephine Goldfarb

**Estee & Johnathan Lehrer** on the birth of their grand daughter Mae Josephine Goldfarb

**Michael Lehrer & Rachel Sacks** on the birth of their niece Mae Josephine Goldfarb

**Jan Mahler & David Merrin** on the birth of their grandson Harvey Isaac

**Beth and Jeff Chiet** on their daughter, Jenna's graduation from Niles North

**Gail and Jerry Swerdlik** on their granddaughter, Sonja Tamar Grunfeld's graduation from UCLA with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications

**Cynthia and Sy Goren** on their 62nd wedding anniversary

**Shelia and Vern Gideon** on their 61st wedding anniversary

**Sam Pfeffer** on his 94th birthday

**Diane Friedman** on the engagement on her grandson, Dov Ezra Aronson, to Sarah Leah Lerman

**Deborah and P. Toni Landi** on the birth of their granddaughter, Josephine Rose Amram

**Thelma Ross** on the birth of her great granddaughter, Drew Lily

**Sheila and David Cahnman** on the birth of their grandson

**Lisa (Banoff) and Matt Rothenberg**, on the birth of their daughter, Ayelet Shoshana Rothenberg

**Carla and Neil Banoff** on the birth of their granddaughter, Ayelet Shoshana Rothenberg

**Carole and Don Babendir** on their grandson Robert (Robbie) Aronoff's graduation from Claremont McKenna College

**Ellen and Allen Sered** on their granddaughter, Shayna Sered-Lever's graduation from Hillel Day School in Tampa

**Sharon Gunn** on the birth of her granddaughter, Eleanore Hawkins

**Ellen and Ira Cole** on the engagement of their daughter Brenda and Brad Wulfstat

**Eunice and Bruce Hershman** on the engagement of their granddaughter, Brenda Cole and Brad Wulfstat

**Norm Ring's** 95th birthday

**Brenda Cole** on her engagement to Brad Wulfstat

**Shira and Norman Eliaser** on their daughter Davita's graduation from Solomon Shechter Day School

**Judith Karp** on her granddaughter Davita's graduation from Solomon Shechter Day School

**Carole and Don Babendir** on their grandson Bradley's marriage to his college sweetheart Rachel Rowsey

**Rachel and Nate Crane** on their wedding anniversary

**Ellie Crane** on her birthday

**Isla Crane** on her birthday

**Sheila and Vern Gideon** on their 61st wedding anniversary

**Bev and Howard Reinglass** on their granddaughter, Elitsa Reinglass Sklar's graduation from Rochelle Zell Jewish High School. She is one of three Emerging Scholars Awardees for excelling in leadership, spirituality and Torah learning, a Bronfman Fellowship recipient, one of JUF's 18 under 18 and will be attending Princeton University in the fall

**Mel F. Seidenberg's** 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday

**Norman Ring's** 95th birthday

**Sam Pfeffer's** 94th birthday

**Vivienne and Floyd Cohen** on their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary

**Carole and Michael Dunn** on their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary

**Jackie Ernest** on her daughter Chessa's engagement to Paul Buttita

**Cynthia Lerner** on the birth of her granddaughter, Charlotte Zylberfink

**Ilene and Edmund Diamond** on their 42nd wedding anniversary

**Idyth and Jay Zimblor** on their 48th wedding anniversary

**Sashie Kraff** on the birth of her great granddaughter, Violet Audrey Davidson

**Bev and Howard Reinglass** on their 52nd wedding anniversary

**Shira and Norman Eliaser** on their 19th wedding anniversary

**Elizabeth and Ken Cohen** on their 30th wedding anniversary

**Gail and Irwin Schneiderman** on their 52nd wedding anniversary

**Sheila and Larry Gerber** on their 58th wedding anniversary

**Jean and Howard Rice** on their 63<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary

**Melinda and Phil Sharkan** on their son Justin's graduation from KU/ northeastern Illinois university

**Bonnie and Steve Moss** on their daughter Barbara's graduation from St. Augustine as a respiratory therapist

**Daniel Miller's** birthday

**Ira Becker** on his grandson Benjamin Bush's graduation from the University of Wisconsin

**Thelma Ross** on her grandson Miles Jonah Padzensky's graduation from Ohio State University

**Cynthia and Sy Goren** on their granddaughter Yael Shaw's graduation from New Trier High School

**Nora and Michael Aisenberg** on their daughter Rebecca's graduation from high school

**Jill Gerber on her daughter** Samantha's graduation from high school

**Gail and Irwin Schneiderman** on their grandson Drew Browne's graduation from New Trier High School and their grandson Jacob Friedman's graduation from Hillel Torah

**Colleen and Ira Dubin** on their son Mitchell's graduation with distinction from North Park University with his Masters Degree in Education

**Mickey Davis** on her grandson Noah's engagement to Kelly Nesheim

**Sashie Kraff** on her grandson Adam Cameron Fishman's graduation from Highland Park High School

**Phyllis and Leonard Berlin on their 64th wedding anniversary**

**Rachel Crane on her birthday**

**Marcy Kreiter on her son Courtney Berkowitz's engagement to Monika Cohen**

**Harriet Robbins-Ost and Fred Ost** on their son, Mitchell being awarded a Master of Fine Arts from Indiana University

**Condolences to:**

***Carol Granof and Charlotte Glass*** on the passing of Carol's husband and Charlotte's cousin, Perry Granof  
***The Spak Family*** on the passing of our longtime Beth Hillel member, Patricia Spak  
***Jody, Ron, Carmelle, Elana, and Jonathan Benishay*** on the passing of Jody's father, Dr. Jerome Kaufman  
***Avi, Leah, Eli and Zev Buchbinder*** on the passing of Avi's Bubbe and Eli and Zev's Great Bubbe, Phyllis Cantor  
***Ken Malatesta*** on the passing of his father  
***Karen and Michael Thirman*** on the passing of Karen's brother, Ross David Steiner  
***Robin & Paul Smulson*** on the passing of Paul's mother, Alice Smulson  
***Marina & Dan Smulson*** on the passing of Dan's mother, Alice Smulson  
***Ida and Garry Ioffe*** on the passing of Garry's father, Idel Ioffe  
***Sofia Muller and Dmitriy Shternberg, and Jacob and Riva*** on the loss of Sofia's grandfather and Jacob and Riva's great grandfather, Idel Ioffe  
***Jay and Idyth Zimblar and the entire Zimblar*** family on the passing of Jay's mother, Ruth Zimblar  
***Joni Kreger*** on the passing of her husband, Elwood "Woody" Kreger  
***Ellen and Joel Feldman*** on the passing of Ellen's mother, Marjorie Shapira Barron  
***Yael Rajstein*** on the passing of her grandfather, Dr. Jose Rajstein  
***Lisa and Arthur Edelstein*** on the passing of Lisa's brother, Brad Slizka  
***Fay and Thomas Goldblatt*** on the passing of Fay's brother, Michael Paul Coppersmith  
***Ira Becker*** on the passing of his wife, Verna Becker  
***Gwyn and Arthur Nanus*** on the passing of Gwyn's mother, Phyllis Davis  
***Adrienne and Ed Matthew*** on the passing of Adrienne's mother, Phyllis Davis

***Fellow members of the BHBE community and Sisterhood,***

Thank you so much for the outpouring of support to our family over the past two weeks as we mourned the passing and celebrated the life of our family patriarch, Idel Ioffe. While his earthly journey has concluded, there is no doubt that the spirit and energy of his life will continue in all of us and in everyone who knew him over his nearly 96 years.

While there are many to thank for the abundance of outreach, we wanted to make a special recognition to Rabbi Allan Kensky, Rabbi Nate Crane, and Cantor Pavel Roytman for their spiritual guidance and sincere friendship during this challenging time. We also wanted to thank the BHBE Sisterhood Executive Board for the wonderful shabbat dinner.

The Jewish people and his Jewish identity were of utmost importance to Idel during his life. Even when living under regimes who sought to exterminate the Jewish people and quell such observances, his determination to carry forward was fortified by his faith. As he was in life, we take great comfort in knowing that he rests now in the hands of the Lord. His memory will continue to inspire us and future generations as proud members of the Jewish community.

***Ida and Garry Ioffe and Ioffe family.***

***Sofia Muller and Dmitriy Shternberg , and Jacob and Riva.***





Dear BHBE Community:

Every Shabbat, we read a story from the Torah that reminds us of our collective history. As I begin my term as President of BHBE, I want to share my story with you and invite you to email me yours; with your permission, I will share bits and pieces in my coming columns.

I was born and raised in Omaha, Nebraska, where my parents, brother and sister-in-law, and niece and nephew still live. My mom was raised Orthodox and my dad was raised Conservative, leading them to then raise my brother and me as Reform Jews. Ironically, both my brother and I joined Conservative shuls when we had our own children. My husband, Phillip, and I met in Omaha; we belonged to the same synagogue and his parents still live there as well. Many of you have helped welcome them to BHBE on various occasions. If you have any questions on Nebraska football, my dad is the one to ask, although I am fairly conversant on the topic myself!

I grew up in a household where we always had Shabbat dinner as a family. My mom continues to make my Bubbie's honeycake each Rosh Hashanah and FedEx's one to us each Fall. Despite her telling us to keep it for the holiday, it usually disappears within a day. Some of my earliest memories are sitting at my Bubbie and Zayde's Passover table with my brother and cousins. The sedars were always long, the afikomen was always hiding behind their drapes, and they both passed away too young; I miss them and finally got the courage a year ago to drive by their house in Omaha, something I couldn't make myself do previously.

My mom was a member of the Temple Israel Board for many years; my mother-in-law still runs the gift shop. My involvement in synagogue leadership began when I was on the youth group board. During our decade living in the Twin Cities, I served on the board of Adath Jeshurun, as a member of a rabbinic search committee, and as a co-chair of their strategic planning process. Our kids, Zachary (a rising senior at ETHS), Chana (a rising Junior at ETHS), and Talia (a rising 8<sup>th</sup> grader at Nichols Middle School), started their educational journeys at the preschool at Adath and all three celebrated their b'nai mitzvahs at BHBE. They continue to be frequent service participants.

I attended college in Maine at Bowdoin College, graduate school at The University of Iowa, and love spending what free-time I do have, when not working as a college consultant, playing golf (my dad taught me as a young girl and also taught my brother and nephew, and all of my kids), taking walks, and being with my family, which includes two pampered dogs, one of whom is a failed foster from PAWS, and our extended families.

There is, of course, more I can share and look forward to doing so in the coming months. Why does my story matter? Why does yours matter? Because they all weave together to create the collective BHBE story. And, at this point in our history, we are creating a story that none of us expected a few short months ago. In many ways, we are inventing a new shul as we continue to adjust to COVID-19 and its aftermath. The work to operate virtually, and to slowly reopen, began this past Spring and I want to thank Past President Sandy Goldberg and all the members of his exec team and board for their dedication to begin this process. Sandy gave tremendously of his time over the past two years and led our congregation to a secure point, from which we will meet current and future challenges.

The townhalls that Sandy started each Wednesday night will continue so that our staff and leadership can keep you up to date on what events will be in person, and how we will continue to ensure our collective safety. We will also be rolling out additional information on the high holidays in the coming weeks. While we may have different viewpoints on how we reopen, I promise to listen to all of you; I promise to do my best to keep BHBE financially strong; and I promise to move us forward so that our children and grandchildren will be able to add their stories to BHBE's history.

To do so, however, I need your help. **I need you to be involved and engaged in our committee work.** Now is the time to JOIN and a few of the options include Adult Education, Ritual, the Academy Board, Governance, Membership, House and Grounds, Social Action, Jews By Choice, the Library, Committee, and Bikkur Cholim/Chesed, to name a few. In addition, later this summer, we will officially launch a strategic planning process that will be facilitated by USCJ. This planning process will help us understand what you want our shul to be in the next five to ten years, and what steps we need to take to move us in these directions. I will be forming a strategic planning committee, and numerous subcommittees, to undertake this important work. Committee work will be essential to the next two years of my presidency. I hope you will join me. Please email me to let me know what interests you and I will help place you on an appropriate committee. You can contact me at kbahar@comcast.net.

This is *your* synagogue, and you matter. We face challenges in the year ahead, but we will meet them together.

***Best, Keri***  
***BHBE Preisdent***



One of the exciting aspects of the upcoming season is our multi-grade “Experience of the Day” structure. “The Experience of the Day” is a fourth - seventh grade curricular component which will form a basis of our Sunday morning sessions, whether we are live

or virtual or in combination. Here’s how it will work.

- The Torah portion of the week will serve as a lens through which we will explore fundamental components of Judaism, in areas such as theology, ritual, Jewish values, and holidays.
- Both Hebrew text and Hebrew language will be incorporated.
- Each week will be self-contained. Meaning that if you miss a week you won’t be behind.
- The meat of the experience will be introduced by one or two short videos, which a teacher will pause as needed to ask questions, get opinions and feedback, and build understanding. Clergy and special guests will expand on the concepts in conversation with the students.
- This would be followed by dynamic activities targeted to specific grades using games, puzzles, contests, exercises, roll play, etc.
- Students will then be able to explore these themes in different personally-selected modalities, such as drama, art, philosophy, photography, etc.
- Finally everyone will come back together again for presentations, as some of the different groups demonstrate through skits, art exhibits, and more, what they have learned!

Here are the two themes which will be introduced in the first “Experience of the Day, both derived from the first Torah portion of the year, Bereishit:

1. The Jewish value of being made in the image of God (Genesis 1:27)
2. The Sabbath and how we sanctify time in Judaism. (Genesis 2:1-3)

In my next article, I will speak about the shift taking place from classroom based Hebrew decoding (reading) into one-on-one and paired learning. (One or two students with one teacher/mentor.) Stay tuned!

**Aaron Frankel**  
**Director of Education**



It is wonderful to be enjoying the summer weather especially after the challenging spring we had. This period has left a mark on all of the world, including BHBE. While we all need to feel fortunate to be to be with our loved ones and friends,

events like this shape how we view the world and what is important to us. Now is a time to appreciate all we have in our home at BHBE. One way to show this appreciation is by considering participating in our Yerusha program.

Support BHBE now and into the future! That is the goal of “Yerusha”, BHBE’s Legacy program in partnership with the JUF. By investing in our future we are securing a meaningful community for generations to come. How can you help? Please consider joining many others by agreeing to include BHBE in your estate planning. If this sounds like something that you don’t want to manage at this time, please know we accept gifts *now* towards this program, starting at \$1000.

By getting 18 participants this year, the JUF will donate \$10,000 to BHBE! Last year we met this goal - let’s come together and achieve this again! Beyond this goal, the program elevates our support of BHBE in the years to come. This helps ensure we have the resources to provide the benefits we’ve all enjoyed for generations to come!

Thank you for your consideration!

**Michael Kahn, Executive Director**

### ***Inclusion Committee***

Individuals with challenges will once again be able to more fully observe Shabbat.

Anita Miller connected with house managers at residential facilities and provided them with information as to how to “click in” to BHBE Shabbat services.

The supervisors were thrilled to hear about our virtual observance of Shabbat.

They are excited to join our community on Shabbat once again.

**Anita Miller, Chair**  
***Inclusion Committee***



Irving Berlin wrote God Bless America in February of 1918 while in the army at Camp Upton in Yaphank, N.Y. The song was originally conceived as the finale for the revue, “Yip, Yip, Yaphank,” but ultimately was not included. It was shelved and forgotten for 20 years, until Berlin rediscovered the song and provided a revised version to the radio star Kate Smith, who sang it on Nov. 10, 1938, and reprised it weekly.

Since then the song took off and became a reflection of the country itself as America changed and matured throughout the years.

Some of the earliest performance of the song that followed Kate Smith’s original performance included the National Conference of Christians and Jews, where religious leaders repudiated the “doctrine of race and hate” in totalitarian Europe and urged Americans not to let it happen within their own communities. Three months later, Berlin led a crowd in “God Bless America” after a speech against bigotry by Eleanor Roosevelt, in which she warned, “Fear arising from intolerance and injustice constitutes the chief danger to our country.”

It also inspired anti-Semitic and xenophobic rhetoric aimed at Berlin, a Jew who dared to ask God to bless America. At a joint rally of the Ku Klux Klan and the pro-Nazi German American Bund in 1940, leaders called for a boycott of the song. A week later, an article mockingly titled “G-A-W-D Bless A-M-E-R-I-K-E-R!” appeared in the Bund’s newspaper; the author derided the song as reflecting the “attitude of the refugee horde.”

Yet, at the same time the song’s first performer Kate Smith was accused of performing racially intolerant songs in the 1930s and that polluted the original meaning of the song to many of its listeners.

Later on in the early 1960s, the chameleon-like lyrics made it a vehicle for a wide range of messages, depending on which direction a given singer wanted the country to be “guided through the night.” In the 1940s it was sung by anti-Communist protesters as well as by striking laborers. Civil rights activists used the song frequently; it was sung by African-American children at school segregation protests in Mississippi and Louisiana, and by participants in Martin Luther King Jr.’s march on Detroit in 1963.

The song became especially popular in the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, when it became emblem of unity and collective mourning for many Americans as it was sung at gatherings and events all over the country.

It was then that I too fell in love with God Bless America. I remember distinctly the feelings of pride and the sense of identity that the song evoked in my Jewish immigrant soul.

I remember listening to God Bless America as it was interpreted by various performing artists. And I also remember singing it myself as I was being proud knowing that God Bless America was written by another Russian Jew, just like me.

I loved the message of the song and I loved Berlin’s music. I also loved (in Leonard Bernstein’s words) “to be in America.” I loved and I still love my country for everything good and beautiful that it represents to me and to so many like me around the world.

I love America, even though as an American I am deeply troubled by the state in which I find my beloved country today; filled with bigotry, intolerance, racial intolerance and violence.

I am troubled by what is going on and yet I still love my America because I believe in it. I believe that the struggle that we are going through today will make our country better tomorrow. I believe in goodness and kindness of Americans of all genders, races and creeds. And although times are tough I believe that we can make it. We can do it. We just need to try a little harder.

I love America and that is why I will be proudly singing my favorite song on this 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

I hope that many of you will join me in spirit as we celebrate our beloved country together.

May God Bless America and Americans with understanding, compassion, health, peace, prosperity, and wisdom!

Ken Y’hi Ratzon

***Cantor Pavel Roytman***

\*Some of the materials used for the article were originally printed in the New York Times and Washington Post.



In response to rising antisemitism in the United States, the Association of Jewish Libraries created the Love Your Neighbor series of book lists for all young readers. The lists are intended to provide children and their families with a greater understanding of the Jewish religion and its people. As noted on the AJL website, “books read in youth impact future outlooks, and it is our hope that meeting Jews on the page will inspire friendship when readers meet Jews in real life.” The most recent list, appearing during this time of grappling with our country’s and our own Jewish community’s response to the death of George Floyd and systemic racism, focuses on the Black Jewish Experience. “This list highlights the experiences of Black Jews, but books on this topic are sadly limited, and books by Black Jewish authors are even more rare. AJL urges the children’s literature community to increase representation of Jews of Color, especially #ownvoices books. To stay abreast of issues relating to Jews of Color check out Be’chol Lashon and the Jewish Multiracial Network.”

Here are some of the books included on the list as well as a few others:



***Let's Talk About Race*** by Julius Lester (2008, ages 4-8)

In this #ownvoices picture book, Black Jewish author Lester directly addresses readers to point out that everyone’s story and appearance is different, but we are all the same on the inside. Lester’s adult autobiography *Lovesong: Becoming a Jew* (2013) chronicles the spiritual journey that led him to convert to Judaism. Other books by the author (on the Library shelves) include *When the Beginning Began: Stories About God, the Creatures, and Us* (1999, Primary/Elementary) and *Pharaoh's Daughter: A Novel of Ancient Egypt* (2000, Middle School).



***What Makes Someone a Jew?*** by Lauren Seidman (2007, ages 4-8)

Illustrated with photographs of diverse Jewish children, this simple nonfiction title makes it clear that Judaism is not dependent on physical characteristics.



***Always an Olivia*** by Carolivia Herron (2007, ages 7-10)

In this #ownvoices story based on the author’s family history, a Black grandmother shares stories with her granddaughter of their White Jewish ancestors who fled the Spanish Inquisition and were captured by pirates before making their way to America.



***...Too Far From Home*** by Naomi Shmuel (2020, ages 8-13)

Jewish Meskerem is a biracial Israeli girl of mixed Ethiopian/American heritage, who lies about her background when she encounters racism from classmates. Her grandmother helps her take pride in the Ethiopian community’s efforts to reach safety in Israel and to come to terms with her intersectional identity. The White British author is married to a Black Ethiopian man and their children are biracial Israelis, making this an #ownvoices adjacent story.

**And for adults:**



***Ariel Samson: Freelance Rabbi*** by MaNishtana (2018)

This rollicking semi-autobiographical #ownvoices adult novel features the funny yet thoughtful adventures of a Black Orthodox Jewish rabbi. Also check out MaNishtana’s “not autobiography,”

*Thoughts From a Unicorn: 100% Black, 100% Jewish, 0% Safe.*



***The Color of Love: A Story of a Mixed-Race Jewish Girl*** by Marra B. Gad (2019)

In 1970, three-day-old Marra B. Gad was adopted by a white Jewish family in Chicago. For her parents, it was love at first sight—but they quickly realized the world wasn’t ready for a family like theirs. Marra’s biological mother was unwed, white, and Jewish, and her biological father was black. While still a child, Marra came to realize that she was “a mixed-race, Jewish unicorn.” In black spaces, she was not “black enough” or told that it was OK to be Christian or Muslim, but not Jewish. In Jewish spaces, she was mistaken for the help, asked to leave, or worse. Even in her own extended family, racism bubbled to the surface. Marra’s family cut out those relatives who could not tolerate the color of her skin—including her once beloved, glamorous, worldly Great-Aunt Nette. After they had been estranged for fifteen years, Marra discovers that Nette has Alzheimer’s, and that only she is in a position to get Nette back to the only family she has left. Instead of revenge, Marra chooses love, and watches as the disease erases her aunt’s racism, making space for a relationship that was never possible before. (from the publisher)

***Marcie Eskin, Librarian***  
[marcie.eskin@bhbe.org](mailto:marcie.eskin@bhbe.org)





Shalom Chaverim,

This past month the new BHBE Sisterhood Executive Board and General Board were installed during our regular board meeting. The new officers will serve a two year term from 2020 - 2022. They are as follows:

President: Barbara Ungar

Vice Presidents:

Community/Congregation: Ida Ioffe

Membership: Sheri Offenbach & Elly Rousso

Program: Suzi Shulman

Ways and Means: Cynthia Lerner

Secretaries:

Corresponding: Rochelle Leff

Financial: Rena Thompson

Recording: Dorene Kaplan

Treasurer: Aileen Primack

The Sisterhood welcomes our new officers and looks forward to their renewed energy in their new positions. The Executive Committee meets once a month in addition to our General Board of Directors which meets on the first Wednesday of every month. The General Board is composed of committee chairmen and past presidents of BHBE Sisterhood.

I would also like to take this time to thank the officers who are stepping down from their positions on the executive board; Eunice Hershman, Marsha Lyons, Carla Banoff, Jaclyn Stern, Carol Gopman, and Adrienne Schaye. These women have shown their creativity, expertise, and dedication countless times over the course of their terms. BHBE Sisterhood is indebted to you and I extend my personal thanks for all your help.

During these months while we could not meet together physically, we have held many online programming events. A new program which offered women a chance to get together online is called Kum aun Zoom. Participants have the opportunity to meet twice a week on Mondays and Thursdays. Kum aun Zoom will begin meeting again following a short “summer vacation”. Some SIGs (special interest groups); Yoga, Knitting, and Book Club, have been meeting online on a regular basis.

Our summer program which was to have been a tour of the RBG exhibit at the Holocaust Museum in Skokie has been changed to a docent led virtual tour of the exhibit. This will take place on Monday, August 24 and is only open to Sisterhood members with paid-up dues for the coming year. (A flyer will be available soon)

***Have a happy, safe summer!***

***L’hitraot,***

***Barbara Ungar, BHBE Sisterhood President***

***Todah Rabbah***

Dear Sisterhood, Thank you so much for remembering Woody with your donation for Trees for Israel.  
***Best, Joni Kreger***

In the Dark Night of this Dystopian time comes a bright, shining, light in the form of a LEAGRAM wishing me well for my birthday. Thank you, thank you! Your good wishes bring joy. ***Sheila Gideon***

Dear Friends, I am writing in appreciation of the gifts you have sent in memory of my sweet sister Irene. The Sisterhood card and the tree planted in Israel are very characteristic of my sister's interests. Her home was filled with love of Jewish thought. She will be greatly missed by her dear family and many others especially by me. ***Love, Phyllis Simon***

So much can happen from year to year, Good times, great times, laughter, tears, But, come my birthday – I can always depend, Sisterhood – on my birthday – leagrams – will send. Somethings change, but this is true, So grateful for your caring friendship-From ALL OF YOU! Much love & hugs.  
***Florence Jesser***

Thank you so very much for thinking of me on my birthday. I love receiving the Leagram ---such a clever idea. ***Gail Swerdlik***

Thank you to all my Sisterhood friends for the Birthday Leagram. I appreciate your thinking of me and all the good wishes! ***Rochelle Dyme***

Thank you to all for your birthday greetings. At this difficult time knowing we have such a wonderful, caring community is a beautiful thought. ***Greer Braun***

### 2020-2021 BHBE CALENDAR

Honor loved ones or a special occasion with a sponsorship in our calendar.

For only \$20 your message will appear on the month you select.

Messages should be 10 words or less.

Please mail, call or email your message and reserve your month, by mailing your check payable to BHBE Sisterhood to Aileen Primack, 9450 Kedvale, Skokie, 60076

Only paid submissions will be included in the calendar and the deadline is July 15, 2020.

There is limited sponsorships per month.

### ***Flowers for Rosh Hashanah***

Sisterhood will be selling beautiful mum plants in time for the holidays.

Erev Rosh Hashanah is September 18<sup>th</sup> and our plants will make great hostess gifts or add the special holiday touch to your home.

Watch your email for further information regarding pick-up dates and time.

Etta Greenfield



# The 2020-2021 BHBE Calendar

is being prepared

Take this opportunity to

Honor Loved Ones or a Special Occasion  
Sponsor months from  
September 2020 through October 2021  
\$20.00 per listing

Limited sponsorships are available per month

Please mail, call or email to reserve your month

Aileen Primack, 9450 Kedvale, Skokie 60076

847-677-6195 or aeprimack@sbcglobal.net

Messages should be 10 words or less,

Example: The Silver Family in honor of Sam's birthday

Deadline for submission is July 15, 2020

Only paid submissions will be included in the calendar

\*\*\*\*\*

Donor \_\_\_\_\_

Month \_\_\_\_\_

Message (10 words or less) (Please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number and/or Email \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment must accompany reservation. Checks should be made payable to **BHBE Sisterhood** and sent to  
Aileen Primack, 9450 Kedvale, Skokie 60076

**"Brunch is Served"****Lox Box offered by****BHBE Sisterhood & BHBE Men's Club****You will get to enjoy:**

6 ounces of lox

4 Bagels

1 package of cream cheese

1 tomato

1 onion

Coffee cake

Orange juice



All for \$28 per box! A portion of the cost will be donated to Men's Club  
and Sisterhood

Pick up from BHBE parking lot on Sunday - July 19 10 - 11 am

-----Return this portion with your check to reserve your order-----

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

eMail \_\_\_\_\_

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ boxes @ \$28 each

Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks out to BHBE Sisterhood and mail to:  
Aileen & Harold Primack 9450 Kedvale Skokie, IL 60076  
Orders must be received by July 13



**Please note: The deadline for bulletin material is the first of every other month.**

### **Send a Note of Thanks**

Send a Note of Thanks for only \$10 printed in the Sisterhood Bulletin. We make it easy to say "thank you" for all the Leagrams, Happy Day, Torah Fund or Memorial Cards you have received. For only \$10 we will print your "thank you" in the bulletin. When you print your "thank you" in the bulletin, we save you money on stationery, and stamps, plus no trips to the post office, saving you money on gas. Just call Rochelle Leff at 847.724.9348, or send your message via email to rdleff@att.net. You can also mail your message and a check to Rochelle Leff, 20 Mulberry Court, Glenview, 60025.



### **Happy Day & Memorial Cards**

Are you looking for a special way to remember your friends or relatives as they experience special occasions? Sisterhood has Happy Day and Memorial Cards for all occasions. All you have to do is call Maureen Bornstein.

Maureen will address and mail your card for only \$3.50. No trips to the card store, post office or mailbox. A packet of 10 cards for only \$25 are also available for you to address and mail yourself. The next time you need to remember someone with a special card, think of sending a card from Sisterhood by calling Maureen 847.251.9121.



### **Leagram Option**

Receiving a Leagram on your birthday is always a special treat. We are going to make it easier for you to send Birthday Greetings to all your Sisterhood friends. No more missing someone's birthday because the deadline has passed, the bulletin is late in arriving, you just forgot, or you were out of town... For \$72 you can send a Leagram Birthday Greeting to **EVERY** Sisterhood member for the **ENTIRE YEAR!** Of course, lists will still be available monthly for those who choose to continue sending greetings as before, at 25 cents per name.

### **August**

2 Beverly Klein  
2 Joni Kreger  
3 Yvonne Gruby  
3 Beatrice Ring  
4 Rochelle Nathan  
6 Ida Ioffe  
9 Jill Wolfe  
14 Maureen Bornstein  
14 Laurie Feinstein  
14 Phyllis Simon  
15 Colleen Dubin  
20 Ellen Sered  
25 Sharon Kreiter  
27 Lois Cohen  
27 Faith Hundahl  
27 Dalia Kleinmuntz  
27 Sarah Rodin  
30 Phyllis Berlin  
30 Maria Chupack  
31 Sabra Pitler  
31 Sabra Minkus



**Do you see a Sisterhood friend with an August or September birthday? Send a birthday wish. Add your name to a Leagram, only 25 cents. Please send info. to: Marcy Kreiter, 9033 Keeler Ave., Skokie, IL 60076 or email: marcykreiter@gmail.com**

### **September**

4 Florine Marks  
5 Adrienne Schaye  
7 Laure Johnson  
7 Barbara Ungar  
7 Sharon Zoldan  
9 Sheila Gerber  
10 Mickey Davis  
12 Grace Margolin  
13 Cynthia Goren  
15 Resa Keer  
15 Estee Lehrer  
16 Lilyan Nathan  
16 Esther Ginsberg  
23 Adrienne Kriezelman  
25 Michele Bresler  
25 Jackie Ernest  
28 Etta Greenfield  
30 Carole Dunn  
30 Pearl Korey  
30 Betty Schraiber  
30 Robin Hershey

### **INVITATIONS**

We sell Carlson Craft The Occasions Group Invitations. Find them online and we will work with you to create the perfect invitation for your Simcha. We discount their invitations 25%. We also carry the physical Modern Mitzvahs book by Cest Papier – the latest in invite trends. Their invitations are discounted 20%. Call or email Marsha Lyons at 847.998.0997 or roarmbl@gmail.com if you want to make an appointment. Your invitation sets the tone for your event.



### **STAY TUNED FOR OUR GRAND RE-OPENING OUR JUDAICA SHOP!**

We look forward to seeing your healthy  
Smiling faces again.

Robin Smulson, 847.287.1233  
Joan Meyers, 847.602.2257

**Rabbi Crane's Discretionary Fund****A donation has been made to this fund by:**

Janet and Robert Sacks in memory of Sydney Sacks  
 Susan Kay and David Baron in honor of the birth of their granddaughter, Elana River Baron  
 Ellen and Joel Feldman in memory of Ellen's mother, Marjorie Shapira Barron  
 Harriet Robbins-Ost and Fred Ost in your honor and in honor of their son Mitch Ost receiving his MFA and moving with his wife for a job  
 Iris and David Jacobson  
 Sylvia and Ray Gilbert  
 Deborah and Lee Schwartz  
 Fay and Thomas Goldblatt

**In honor of**

Irene and Basil Jacobson by Rena and Doug Thompson  
 Rabbi Crane on being appointed to the Committee on Jewish Laws and Standards  
 -by Greer and Arthur Braun  
 -by Adina Kleiman and Rabbi Allan Kinsky  
 -by Cynthia and Seymour Goren  
 -by Marilyn and Gary Rubin  
 -by Mickey Davis  
 -by Karen Schneider and David Mogul  
 -by Susan and Zvi Tannenbaum  
 -by Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin  
 -by Etta and Frank Greenfield  
 -by Iva and Zelig Falevits  
 -by Phyllis Simon  
 -by Elaine Loseff  
 -by Allan Seaman and Family  
 -by Beverly and Howard Reinglass  
 Thelma Ross on her birthday and on the birth of her great granddaughter by Carole and Don Babendir  
 Mel F. Seidenberg's 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday by Beatrice and Norman Ring  
 Sam Pfeffer's 94<sup>th</sup> birthday by Beatrice and Norman Ring  
 Helen Stopek's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday by Beatrice and Norman Ring

**In memory of**

Verna Becker  
 -by Beatrice and Norman Ring  
 -by Sheila and Vern Gideon

**Cantor Roytman's Music Fund****A donation has been made to this fund by:**

Sandy and Fern Finkel  
 Harriet Robbins-Ost and Fred Ost  
 Ida and Garry Ioffe in memory of Idel Ioffe

**In honor of**

Sheila and Larry Gerber on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson by Irene and Basil Jacobson  
 Cantor Pavel Roytman by Luisita Graff  
 Marjorie Shapira Barron by Sheila and Vern Gideon  
 Estee and Jonathan Lehrer on the birth of their granddaughter, Mae Josephine by Beverly and Stan Klein  
 Carla and Neil Banoff on the birth of their granddaughter, Ayelet Shoshana by Beverly and Stan Klein

**In memory of**

Trina Brickman by Elita Fine and Ivan Cramer  
 Haskel Benishay by Irene and Basil Jacobson  
 Rochelle Iczkovitz by Irene and Basil Jacobson  
 Roz Greenstein by Shelley McNaughton  
 -Sulkin and Mark Sulkin  
 Alice Smulson  
 -by Florence Jesser  
 -by Joan and Harvey Meyers

**Tikva Frymer-Kensky Adult Education Fund**  
**A donation has been made to this fund by:**

Charlotte Glass in honor of the birth of her great grandson, Eli Adir

**In honor of**

Rabbi Barry Friedman by Faith and Bruce Waxman

**In memory of**

Haskel Benishay by Clancy Fine and Ivan Cramer  
 Marcia Fischer Webb by Randi and Rob Feder

**Annette W. and Mel F. Seidenberg Family Youth Fund**  
**A donation has been made to this fund by:**

Mel F. Seidenberg in memory of his wife, Annette Seidenberg 22<sup>nd</sup> yahrzeit  
 Mel F. Seidenberg in honor of his 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday

**In honor of**

Aviva and Al Rodin on the birth of their grandson, Micah Evan by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Mr. and Mrs. William Freedman's 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Surrie and Ed Melnick on their 77<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Howard Rice on his 85<sup>th</sup> birthday by Mel F. Seidenberg

Marcie and Rick Eskin on the marriage of their son Joseph and Shani Abramowitz by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Anita and Michael Miller on their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Naomi Vaisrub and Raymond Glassenberg on the marriage of their son Jeremy and Lisa by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Sharon and Jack Zoldan on the birth of their granddaughter, Shira Mazal by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Beatrice and Norman Ring on the birth of their great granddaughter, Araba by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Dolly Moline on the marriage of her grandson, Sam Botbol and Ari Goodman by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Mindy and Marc Botbol on the marriage of their son Sam and Ari Goodman by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Eunice and Bruce Hershman on their 62<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Etta and Frank Greenfield on their grandson Jack's Bar Mitzvah by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Charlotte Glass on the birth of her great granddaughter by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Ben Rosenberg in appreciation of your services rendered Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Thelma Ross on the birth of her great granddaughter, Drew Lily by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Howard Greene's speedy recovery by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wein's 67<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Janie Wein's 89<sup>th</sup> birthday by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Norman Ring's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Sam Pfeffer's 94<sup>th</sup> birthday by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Eunice and Bruce Hershman on the engagement of their granddaughter Brenda and Brad Wulfstat by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Ellen and Ira Cole on the engagement of their daughter Brenda and Brad Wulfstat by Mel F. Seidenberg  
 Penina Rivka Cohn's speedy recovery by Mel F. Seidenberg

**Annette W. and Mel F. Seidenberg  
Family Youth Fund cont'd.....**

Mel F. Seidenberg on his 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday

-by Cynthia and Sy Goren

-by Vivienne and Floyd Cohen

Cynthia and Sy Goren on their 62<sup>nd</sup>  
wedding anniversary by Mel F.

Seidenberg

Sheila and Vern Gideon on their 61<sup>st</sup>  
wedding anniversary by Mel F.

Seidenberg

**In memory of**

Roz Greenstein by Mel F. Seidenberg

Florence Burak

-by Mel F. Seidenberg

-by Jerry Wein

Fred Ruben by Mel F. Seidenberg

Rochelle Iczkovitz by Mel F.

Seidenberg

Jerry Rosenwasser by Regina and

Howard Katz

Carol Moss by Mel F. Seidenberg

Howard Gilbert by Mel F. Seidenberg

Irene Friedman by Mel F. Seidenberg

Verna Becker by Mel F. Seidenberg

Phyllis Davis by Shelley McNaughton-  
Sulkin and Mark Sulkin

Douglas McNaughton by Shelley

McNaughton-Sulkin and Andrew and  
Eve McNaughton

Diane Fixler by Mel F. Seidenberg

Alice Smulson by Mel F. Seidenberg

**General Fund**

**A donation has been made to this  
fund by:**

Marilyn and Gary Rubin in honor of  
Purim

Marcy Kreiter

Kooki Finkelman and Richard Espe in  
honor of Purim

Marilyn and Gary Rubin in honor of  
Purim

Helen Stopek in honor of her 95<sup>th</sup>  
birthday

Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin in honor  
of yizkor during Shavuot

**In honor of**

Aviva and Al Rodin on the birth of their  
grandson, Micah Evan

-by Michele Bresler and Barry Goldberg

-by Sharon and Jack Zoldan

Isabella Boym's Bat Mitzvah by

Vivienne and Floyd Cohen

Sharon and Dan Meyer by Karen Bieber

Sheila and David Cahnman on the birth  
of their grandson, Yaakov

-by Jeri and Joel Rothman

-by Sharon and Jack Zoldan

Carla and Neil Banoff on the birth of  
their granddaughter, Ayelet Shoshana  
Rothenberg

-by Sharon and Jack Zoldan

-by Beverly and Stan Klein

-by Florence Jesser

Estee and Jonathan Lehrer on the birth  
of their granddaughter, Mae Josephine  
by Beverly and Stan Klein

P. Toni and Debbie Landi on the birth  
of their granddaughter, Josephine Rose

Amram by Terrie and Joel Hellman

Sandy Goldberg by Jay Goldstein

Louis Freeman on the engagement of  
his daughter Michelle and Zach Katz by  
Susan Kay and David Baron

Jackie Ernest and her loved one's

recoveries by Florence Jesser

Helen Stopek's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday by Sarah  
and Scott Hirsch

Sam Pfeffer's birthday by Vivienne and  
Floyd Cohen

Max Ernest's graduation from

University of Illinois by Gita Fajerstein

Jackie Ernest on her daughter Chessa's  
engagement to Paul Buttita by Sashie

Kraff

Cynthia Lerner on the birth of her  
granddaughter by Harold Heller

**In memory of**

Rochelle Iczkovitz

-by Jody and Ron Benishay

-by Irene and Basil Jacobson

-by Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin

-by Sharon and Jack Zoldan

-by The Kurzman Family

-by Irene and Basil Jacobson

-by Sheila and David Cahnman

-by Clancy Fine and Ivan Cramer

-by Robin and Paul Smulson

Seymour Patinkin by Sheila and David  
Cahnman

Roz Greenstein

-by Ellen and Allen Sered

-by Paula and Allen Fagel

-by Dorothy and Ed Stone

-by Dara and Scott Hessel

-by Michele Bresler and Barry Goldberg

-by Elaine Loseff

-by Sharon and Jack Zoldan

-by Eve Nortman

-by Janet Weintraub

-by Ann Hoenig

-by Greer and Arthur Braun

-by Maddy and Steven Goldman

Richard Skloot by Sharon and Jack  
Zoldan

Jerry Rosenwasser

-by Mimi and Leon Toubin

-by Judy and Al Simon

-by Jeremy Kraff

-by Joanie and Sol Schwartz

-by Marti Raba

-by Avis Zimblar and Family

-by Miriam Grossman

-by Maddy and Steven Goldman

Estelle London by The Kurzman Family  
Sylvia Kerpel

-by David Greenstein and Family

-by Eve Nortman

Florence Burak by Michele Bresler and  
Barry Goldberg

George Kaplan by Susan Kay and David  
Baron

Harvey Saltzman by Avis Zimblar

Haskel Benishay

-by Florence Jesser

-by Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin

-by Wendy and Daniel Schuman

-by Sharon and Jack Zoldan

-by Jeremy Kraff

-by Joan and Harvey Meyers

-by Leanne Nathan

-by Dr. Jerome Kaufman

Patricia Spak by Florence Jesser

Betsy Matek

-by Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin

-by Sallie and Alan Gratch

Perry Granof

-by Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin

-by Aileen and Harold Primack

-by Ellen and Allen Sered

-by Patti Paone and Neil Posner

Howard Gilbert

-by Cynthia and Sy Goren

-by Karen Schneider and David Mogul

Verna Becker

-by Etta and Frank Greenfield

-by Beth and Martin Birnbaum

-by Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin

-by Jeri and Joel Rothman

-by Aileen and Harold Primack

-by Sheila and Vern Gideon

-by Terrie and Joel Hellman

-by Roberta and Marshall Krolick

-by Susan Kay and David Baron

-by Michele Bresler and Barry Goldberg

-by Barbara and Gerald Newman

-by Sima Browne

-by Sholom Rosen

-by Joni Kreger

-by Maddy and Steven Goldman

-by Sashie Kraff

Brad Slivka by Sheila and Vern Gideon

**General Fund cont'd.....**

Michael Paul Coppersmith  
 -by Sheila and Vern Gideon  
 -by Gail Shorr  
 -by Robin and Paul Smulson  
 -by David Greenstein  
 Marjorie Shapira Barron  
 -by Jeri and Joel Rothman  
 -by Rochelle and Bernie Dyme  
 -by Sharon and Jack Zoldan  
 -by Joan and Harvey Meyers  
 Elwood "Woody" Kreger  
 -by Canny Choy and Fiona Choy  
 -by Carole and Don Babendir  
 -by Vic Goldberg  
 -by Rochelle Kopels  
 -by Ira Becker  
 -by Edith Appelsies  
 -by Michael Rabin  
 -by Joan Wolff  
 -by Linda and Irwin Magad  
 -by Gordon Johnson  
 -by Robert Benton  
 -by Sue and Ken Wolkon  
 -by Elyse and Larry Stern  
 -by Marlene and Henry Wasserstrom  
 -by Charles Krugel  
 -by Marci Friedman  
 -by Joan and Harvey Meyers  
 -by Judy and Ed Bederman  
 -by Sue and Jim Lerner  
 Phyllis Davis  
 -by Sheila and Vern Gideon  
 -by David Greenstein  
 Debbie Gluskin by Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin  
 Larry Zeid by Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin  
 Verna Becker  
 -by David Greenstein  
 -by Joan and Harvey Meyers  
 -by Shalom Memorial Funeral Home  
 Dr. Bennett Kaye by Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin  
 Al Zimble  
 -by Men Enjoying Leisure  
 -by Laure and Gary Johnson  
 -by Joyce and Marv Berman  
 Idel Ioffe  
 -by Terrie and Joel Hellman  
 -by Carole and Don Babendir  
 -by Sheila and Vern Gideon  
 -by Joan and Harvey Meyers  
 -by Sophia Kalavsky  
 -by Daniel Klein  
 Alice Smulson  
 -by Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin  
 -by Debbie and P. Toni Landi  
 -by Marsha Lyons

-by Terrie and Joel Hellman  
 -by Bonnie Libby  
 -by Sheila and Vern Gideon  
 -by Sharon and Dan Teitelbaum  
 -by Ira Becker  
 -by Phyllis and Sy Zaban  
 -by Marvin Berger  
 -by Steven Alhadeff  
 -by Maddy and Steven Goldman  
 -by Mary and Marc Miller  
 -by Zvi and Susan Tannenbaum  
 Ross David Steiner  
 -by Florence Jesser  
 -by Susan Kay and David Baron  
 -by Susan Lieberman  
 -by Marsha Lyons  
 -by Shira and Norman Eliaser  
 -by Judy Levey and Sandy Goldberg  
 Ruthe Zeid Stricker by Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin

**Howard Greene's Minyanaires Club**

**A donation has been made to this fund by**

Carole and Howard Greene

**Max Tannenbaum's Kiddush Chevra Fund**

**In honor of**

Max Tannenbaum's birthday by Beverly and Howard Reinglass  
 Harry Novak by Marsha Lyons

**Howard Finkelman Ramah Scholarship Fund**

**In honor of**

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schulman on their grandson, Sammy's Bar Mitzvah by Etta and Frank Greenfield  
 Etta and Frank Greenfield in honor of their grandsons Bar Mitzvah by Kooki Finkelman and Richard Espe  
 Beatrice and Norman Ring in honor of the birth of their great granddaughter by Kooki Finkelman and Richard Espe  
 Howard Greene's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday by Kooki Finkelman and Richard Espe  
 Carole and Don Babendir on the marriage of their grandson Bradley and Rachel Rowsey  
 Shira and Norman Eliaser on their daughter Davita's graduation from Solomon Schechter Day School by Kooki Finkelman and Richard Espe  
 Eleanor Eliaser on her granddaughter Davita's graduation from Solomon Schechter Day School by Kooki Finkelman and Richard Espe  
 Judith Karp on her granddaughter Davita's graduation from Solomon Schechter Day School by Kooki Finkelman and Richard Espe

Ellen and Ira Cole on the engagement of their daughter Brenda and Brad Wulfstat by Kooki Finkelman and Richard Espe  
 Jan Mahler and David Merrin on the birth of their grandson, Harvey Isaac by Kooki Finkelman and Richard Espe

**In memory of**

Verna Becker by Kooki Finkelman and Richard Espe  
 Loddie Sudakoff by Kooki Finkelman and Richard Espe  
 Howard Gilbert by Kooki Finkelman and Richard Espe

**Next Generation Fund**

**In honor of**

**In memory of**

Betsy Matek by Sheila and Larry Gerber

Jerry Rosenwasser by Michelle

Mangoubi

**Library Fund**

**In honor of**

Marcie Eskin by Roberta Rosenfeld

**H.O.P.E. Garden Fund**

**In honor of**

Barbara Bruno by Bob Billow  
 Phyllis Simon's speedy, complete and speedy recovery by Vivienne and Floyd Cohen

**In memory of**

Ernie Simon by Judith Stern

**Inclusion Fund**

**A donation has been made to this fund by:**

Paula Robbins Lange

**In memory of**

Naum Mitkovetskiy by Anita and Michael Miller

Idel Ioffe by Anita and Michael Miller

**Kiddush Fund**

**In honor of**

Marsha Lyons by Florence Jesser  
 Aron Sprung's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday by Carole and Don Babendir

**In memory of**

Naum Mitkovetskiy

**Memorial Fund**

**A donation has been made to this fund by:**

Barrie Robins in honor of Yizkor  
 Jay Goldstein and Marc Matlin in honor of Yizkor

**In memory of**

Albert Rosenfeld by Michael Gordon  
 Mary Schneider by Martin Birnbaum  
 Sheldon Gray by Elaine Loseff  
 Joseph J. Gray by Elaine Loseff  
 Sheldon W. Gray by Elaine Loseff



**Memorial Fund cont'd.....**

Joseph J. Gray by Elaine Loseff	Haskel Benishay	Maurice Zimblar by Avis Zimblar
Sheldon W. Gray by Elaine Loseff	-by Marci Levenfeld	Arthur Jay Ginsburg by Vivienne and
Edan Davis by Mickey Davis	-by Lauren Miller	Floyd Cohen
Mary Kemp by Dorothy and Ed Stone	-by Penina Goodman	Albert Einhorn by Iva and Zelig Falevits
Rebecca F. Letush by Phyllis Simon	Robert Kaminsky by Susan and Gary	Bessie Einhorn by Iva and Zelig
Herbert H. Letush by Phyllis Simon	Shulman	Falevits
Dora Stopek by Helen Stopek	Allan Chereck by Esther Sue Chereck	Fay Greenstein by Harold Heller
Sarah Hoffberg by Helen Stopek	Joseph Birnbaum by Martin Birnbaum	
Jeanette Hoffberg by Helen Stopek	Joseph Stopek by Helen Stopek	
Hyme Cohen by Vivienne and Floyd	Nathan Hoffberg by Helen Stopek	
Cohen	Jane Stopek by Helen Stopek	
Martin Jacobson by Henry "Hank"	Sidney Lasko by Anne Levin	
Gould	Lillian Kovarsky by Elaine Pollack	
Haskel Benishay by Henry "Hank"	Harriet Bakshy by Francine and Stanley	
Gould	Bakshy	
Sidney Drazin by Karen and Marc	Sivya Ami by Faith Hundahl	
Drazin	Stan Pollack by Elaine Pollack	
Nelson Berger by Marvin Berger	Muriel Furlager by Hillel Furlager	
Bobbie Ring by Marvin Berger	Sima Forlager by Hillel Furlager	
Betty Gordon by Alanna and Robert	Motke Atzmon Forlager	
Gordon	Sarah Klarfeld Forlager	
Jacob Robins by Barrie Robins	Irwin Rosen by Marlene Rosen	
Rose Robins by Barrie Robins	Rhoda Diane Gordon by Michael M.	
Celia Meyers by Lillian Mann	Gordon	
Martin Meyers by Lillian Mann	David S. Gordon by Michael M. Gordon	
Lloyd Gordon by Alanna and Robert	Morris Gordon by Michael M. Gordon	
Gordon	Joseph J. Gray by Elaine Loseff	
Issak Drut by Alla Lisovaya	Marvin Zaban by The Zaban Family	
Gertrude Rosen by Robert Rosen	Millei Adler by The Zaban Family	
Solomon Dubin by Francine and	Sam Zaban by The Zaban Family	
Stanley Bakshy	Abe Levin by Davida and Joe Fruchter	
Esther Levin by Davida and Joe	Max Schneider by Martin Birnbaum	
Fruchter	Sheldon Fox by Barbara Fullone	
Dora Nechamkin by Davida and Joe	Ada M. Kaden by Marlene Rosen	
Fruchter	Joseph Friedman by Sharon Yusim	
Max Ungar by Phyllis and Sy Zaban	Lenore Berger by Marvin Berger	
Mae Behr Wolfmark by The Wolfmark	Julia Roth by Maxine Roth	
and Dolin Families	Harold Roth by Maxine Roth	
Maxine Linderman by Laure and Gary	Eugene Brassner by Eleanor and Paul	
Johnson	Plotnick	
Joseph Meilach by Etta and Frank	Mac Neidorf by Ruth and Jerry	
Greenfield	Hecktman	
Samuel Levy by Eleanor and Paul	Pauline Neidorf by Ruth and Jerry	
Plotnick	Hecktman	
Hal Erwin by Florence Jesser	Rosalyn Levin by Davida and Joseph	
Frances Bloom by Debbie Ebner and Ira	Fruchter	
Bloom	Herman "Poppy" Cohen by Florence	
Sivya Ami by Faith Hundahl and	Jesser	
Family	Edith Jesser Cohen by Florence Jesser	
Harriet Bakshy by Francine and Stanley	William Greenstein by Harold Heller	
Bakshy	Mildred Meilach by Etta and Frank	
Irwin Rosen by Marlene Rosen	Greenfield	
Beverly Elaine Lasky by Judy Stern	Dorothy S. Kripke by Joan M. Kripke	
Sidney Lasko by Anne Levin	Leona Gould by Henry "Hank" Gould	
Lillian Kovarsky by Elaine Pollack	Arthur Gould by Henry "Hank" Gould	
Syrelle G. Levin by Mickey Davis	Bella Fruchter by Davida and Joe	
Nathan Fruchter by Davida and Joseph	Fruchter	
Fruchter	Helen Sher Ginsburg by Vivienne and	
	Floyd Cohen	
	Earl Zimblar by Avis Zimblar	



## Tammuz / Av 5780

**Friday, July 3**

Light Candles.....8:10 pm

**Shabbat, July 4**

**12 Tammuz 5780**

**Torah Reading: Chukat - Balak**

**Friday, July 10**

**Pesach Sheini**

Candles.....8:07 pm

**Shabbat, July 11**

**19 Tammuz 5780**

**Torah Reading: Pinchas**

**Friday, July 17**

Light Candles.....8:03 pm

**Shabbat, July 18**

**26 Tammuz 5780**

**Torah Reading: Mattot - Massei**

**Friday, July 24**

Light Candles.....7:57 pm

**Shabbat, July 25**

**4 Av 5780**

**Torah Reading: Devarim**

**Friday, July 31**

Light Candles.....7:50 pm

**Shabbat, August 1**

**11 Av 5780**

**Torah Reading: Va'etchanan**



## Av / Elul 5780

### **Friday, August 7**

Light Candles.....7:41 pm

### **Shabbat, August 8**

18 Av 5780

**Torah Reading: Ekev**

### **Friday, August 14**

Light Candles.....7:32 pm

### **Shabbat, August 15**

25 Av 5780

**Torah Reading: Re'eh**

### **Friday, August 21**

Light Candles.....7:21 pm

### **Shabbat, August 22**

2 Elul 5780

**Torah Reading: Shoftim**

### **Friday, August 28**

Light Candles.....7:10 pm

### **Shabbat, August 29**










9 Elul 5780

**Torah Reading: Ki Tetze**



# Beth Hillel Bnai Emunah Calendar of Events










## July 2020 Tammuz / Av 5780

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9 Tammuz	2 10 Tammuz	3 11 Tammuz	4 12 Tammuz  Independence Chukkat - Balak   9:20
					 8:10	
5 13 Tammuz	6 14 Tammuz	7 15 Tammuz	8 16 Tammuz	9 17 Tammuz  Fast of the Seventeenth of Tammuz Executive Board Meeting	10 18 Tammuz	11 19 Tammuz  Pinchas   9:17
					 8:07	
12 20 Tammuz	13 21 Tammuz	14 22 Tammuz	15 23 Tammuz  Men's Club Board Meeting	16 24 Tammuz  Sisterhood Executive Board Meeting	17 25 Tammuz	18 26 Tammuz  Mattot - Masei   9:12
					 8:03	
19 27 Tammuz	20 28 Tammuz	21 29 Tammuz	22 1 Av  Rosh Chodesh Av General Board Meeting	23 2 Av	24 3 Av	25 4 Av  Devarim   9:06
					 7:57	
26 5 Av	27 6 Av	28 7 Av	29 8 Av	30 9 Av  Tisha B'Av	31 10 Av   7:50	



# Beth Hillel Bnai Emunah Calendar of Events

## August 2020 - Av / Elul 5780

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<div>11 Av</div> <div>Va'etchanan</div> <div>  <div>8:59</div> </div>
<div>212 Av</div>	<div>313 Av</div>	<div>414 Av</div>	<div>515 Av</div> <div>Tu B'Av Sisterhood General Board</div>	<div>616 Av</div>	<div>717 Av</div> <div>  <div>7:41</div> </div>	<div>818 Av</div> <div>Ekev</div> <div>  <div>8:50</div> </div>
<div>919 Av</div>	<div>1020 Av</div>	<div>1121 Av</div> <div>Social Action Committee Meeting</div>	<div>1222 Av</div>	<div>1323 Av</div> <div>Executive Board Meeting</div>	<div>1424 Av</div> <div>  <div>7:32</div> </div>	<div>1525 Av</div> <div>Re'eh</div> <div>  <div>8:40</div> </div>
<div>1626 Av</div>	<div>1727 Av</div>	<div>1828 Av</div>	<div>1929 Av</div> <div>Men's Club Board Meeting</div>	<div>2030 Av</div> <div>Rosh Chdesh Elul - Day 1 Sisterhood Executive Board Meeting</div>	<div>211 Elul</div> <div>Rosh Chdesh Elul - Day 2</div> <div>  <div>7:21</div> </div>	<div>222 Elul</div> <div>Shoftim</div> <div>  <div>8:30</div> </div>
<div>233 Elul</div>	<div>234 Elul</div>	<div>255 Elul</div>	<div>266 Elul</div> <div>General Board Meeting</div>	<div>277 Elul</div>	<div>288 Elul</div>	<div>299 Elul</div> <div>Ki Tetze</div>
<div>3010 Elul</div>	<div>3111 Elul</div>				<div>  <div>7:10</div> </div>	<div>  <div>8:18</div> </div>

## **Wishing Everyone Continued Good Health**

871 Peach Tree Lane (ranch home) Glencoe \$775,000

1925 Lake Ave. #103 (condo) Wilmette \$275,000

937 Illinois Rd. (rental) Wilmette \$6,150

886 Elm St. (2 story) Winnetka \$1050,000

412 Vine (split level) Wilmette \$510,000

210 Millbrook Lane (split level ) Wilmette \$599,000.

825 Lacrosse Ct (split level) Wilmette \$549,000

Beverly Fleischman

Broker Associate

Coldwell Banker

568 Lincoln

Winnetka, IL 60093

Cell: 847-217-0494

Fax: 781-609-1517

Email: [Beverly.Fleischman@cbexchange.com](mailto:Beverly.Fleischman@cbexchange.com)

[www.BevandMarshall.com](http://www.BevandMarshall.com)



**BETH HILLEL BNAI EMUNAH**

3220 Big Tree Lane  
Wilmette, IL 60091-2906  
Issue # 4 of 6

**Affiliated with United Synagogue  
of Conservative Judaism**

**Clergy and Staff**

Rabbi Nate Crane - [rabbi@bhbe.org](mailto:rabbi@bhbe.org)  
Rabbi Emeritus Allan David Kensky  
Cantor Pavel Roytman - [cantor@bhbe.org](mailto:cantor@bhbe.org)  
Education Director, Aaron Frankel - [aaron.frankel@bhbe.org](mailto:aaron.frankel@bhbe.org)  
Executive Director, Michael Kahn - [michael.kahn@bhbe.org](mailto:michael.kahn@bhbe.org)  
Program and Event Coordinator, Michael Goldberg - [michael.goldberg@bhbe.org](mailto:michael.goldberg@bhbe.org)  
Administration, Jackie Ernest - [jackie.ernest@bhbe.org](mailto:jackie.ernest@bhbe.org)  
Maintenance Supervisor, Percy Ferguson - [maintenance@bhbe.org](mailto:maintenance@bhbe.org)

**Lay Leadership**

President, Keri Bahar  
Executive Vice President, Jay Goldstein  
Sisterhood President, Barbara Ungar  
Men's Club President, Jay Lawrence

Main number 847.256.1213

Fax 847.256.3225

Here are some numbers to reach some of us directly:

Cantor Roytman 847.256.1216

Aaron Frankel 847.256.0755

Michael Kahn 847.256.6494

Website - [www.bhbe.org](http://www.bhbe.org)