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★ SULAM Beth El - Seek. Understand. Learn. Act. Marvel.

6th graders make the Western Wall

Scenes
Around
SULAM

Photographs of our LEARNERS
in ACTION have been faded
for the online version of our
newsletter.

1st graders made Noah's Ark Rainbow

7th graders work on Superhero Project

From Facebook, January 27:

We took inspiration for Torah study from Matthew Eisenfeld z"l, whom some of the parents in the



room knew and grew up with; we admired the art of Rabbi Matthew Berkowitz; and we learned from the art of Hillel Smith (see

back page) as we created our own parsha posters in the 2nd of our 2020 Bar/Bat Mitzvah workshops! It was awesome. From a Kahoot (online quiz) all about the Bar/Bat Mitzvah, to making our own *yad* and learning more about our portions, it was a fantastic morning with the room buzzing. Great learning, great conversations, beautiful expressions of Torah!



From Facebook, February 10:

What a weekend we had at Beth El! From Friday night's beautiful Family Service and Shabbat Dinner with presentation of new siddurim to our 3rd graders who are just at the beginning of their formal Hebrew learning, to the Torah Celebration on Sunday for our Bogrim (7th graders) who are just at the beginning of their formal Jewish journeys into adulthood...it was a beautiful, holy, meaningful, and incredibly special weekend.



Show Off Shabbat

Family Service & Dinner

FRIDAY, MAY 17, 6:00 PM

COST: \$12/adult, \$8/child (ages 5-12),
free for ages 4 & younger

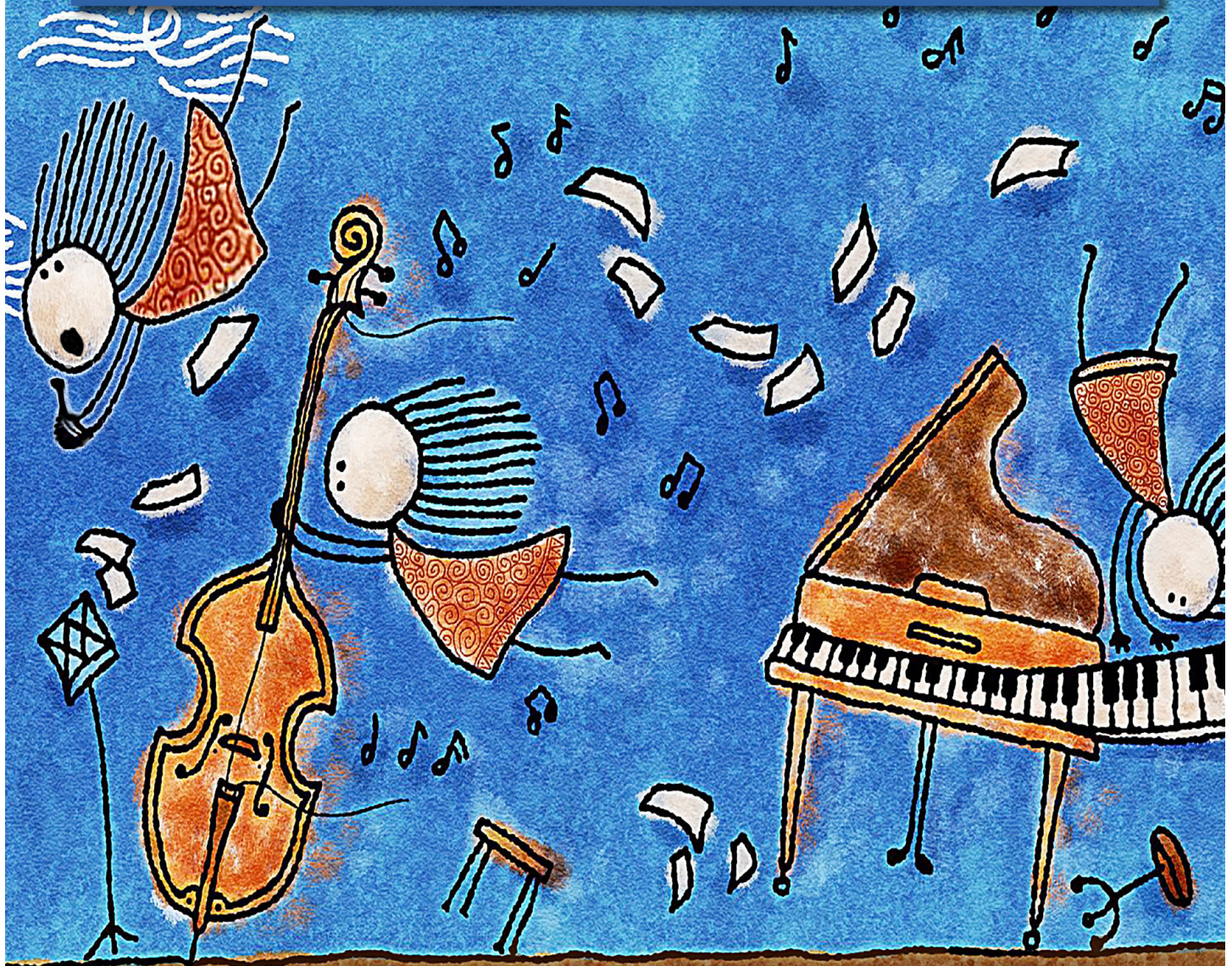
Our SULAM Learners will shine as we celebrate their accomplishments this year.

Tzedakah

In lieu of traditional monetary *tzedakah* this year, we are promoting an "item of the month" collection to benefit the Anja Rosenberg Kosher Food Pantry. All congregants are invited to participate. The bin is in the Sanctuary Lobby.

- ✧ March – cereal (gluten-free and regular)
- ✧ April/May – shampoo & conditioner

DRAMATIC MUSIC WITH A RUSSIAN TWIST
Sunday, April 7, 7pm in the Main Sanctuary



IT'S ALL ABOUT THE DRAMA! Join Conductor/Cantor Joseph Ness for a program of works by Rimsky-Korsakov, Tchaikovsky, Rachmaninoff plus Beethoven & Broadway selections. Special Guests include: Tamila Azadaliyeva, piano; Gennady Vysotsky, bass; Zhanna Alkhazova, soprano; Max Weinstein, actor/singer.

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TICKETS & INFO AVAILABLE ONLINE AT BETHELTEMPLEMUSIC.COM

★ From the Rabbi's Desk - Passover Post Pittsburgh



It's only been a few months, but all the pain and anguish of the synagogue shooting in Pittsburgh seems to have dissipated. It is a well-known pattern: a great tragedy followed by a sense of business as usual. The anguish and rallies, they have already receded into memory. The sense of a caring

community. How wonderful it would be to be united this way when all is peaceful.

But if we ponder where we are as a Jewish community we have no choice but to confront something that is very different. There is no questioning that we face anti-Semitism rearing its head both on the left and the right. Sometimes with horrific results.

And now we approach the first Passover post Pittsburgh. What might we find in our embrace of Pesach that can help us, inspire us, in this challenging time?

For me, the key is found in two passages in the Passover Haggadah that each begin with the phrase "in every generation." One states, "in every generation there were those who sought to destroy us."

It's true isn't it? There have been countless experiences throughout the generations of those who wished the Jewish world bodily and spiritual ill, if not destruction. I know that this line from the Haggadah will ring powerfully to those sitting at Seder tables in Pittsburgh this year. And for us as well.

But there is another "in every generation."

It's a line that continues "one must see oneself as if you personally were brought forth from Egypt." Which is to say that we are to work very hard to feel this sense of freedom and redemption. We are to live as liberated human beings who can help others know the dignity of freedom.

This is our responsibility, an opportunity, and a cause for celebration.

We would surely demean the losses of sacred souls were we to pass over the memories of those killed for simply being Jews. But we bid them and ourselves great honor by also living and celebrating as Jews.

For what is Pesach if not a precious opportunity to gather, experience freedom, and share it with all who are hungry?

Sometimes, celebration is defiance. And living meaningfully, a joyful assertion of who we are.

At the core of so much anti-Semitism is a conspiracy theory of Jewish power wielded to the harm of others. We know, and the world must know the truth. Our mission is to nurture the pinprick of conscience, the possibility of dignity, the beauty of freedom.

This Pesach let us proudly live this truth.

From our home to yours, a sweet and happy Passover.

~ Rabbi Jim Rosen

★ Reflections from the President



On January 23, 2019, Abby Weiner passed away. If there was a kinder, sweeter man in our midst, I have not met him. Though

Abby persevered through unspeakable horrors, he did not allow the atrocities of his youth to define or destroy him. Abby survived and flourished. From Hungary to Hartford, he lived a remarkable and wonderful life, promoting peace, humanity, and vigilance against hatred.

Just a few weeks before his death, Abby was given an Aliyah at Beth El. It was clear to all that Abby was not well, and he struggled with assistance to make it up to the bimah. After Rabbi Rosen said a few well-deserved words of tribute to Abby, Abby pulled the Rabbi's hand to his mouth and kissed it. With tears in his eyes, he said "one of the greatest honors of my life is having you as my rabbi."

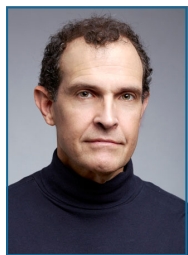
Abby was humble and kind right to the end. From schools to recorded interviews which will be maintained through posterity,

Abby's message was given to all who would listen. Remember the Holocaust so nothing like it ever happens again. But, Abby's message was much more than that. It was also about love, goodness, family, and cherishing life.

Abby Weiner had an incredible story to tell that was heartbreaking and heartwarming. I hope you heard it. There are others at Beth El with stories to tell too, if you stop and listen. May Abby Weiner's memory be a blessing to us all.

~ Jonathan Alter

★ Cantor's Corner - A Concert in Russia



Thoughts about my trip to Russia

I have always been fascinated and inspired by the liturgy, folk songs, and artistic work

that have been at the forefront of the collective culture of the Jewish people. So, when I was asked three years ago by the son of one of the greatest of all the *chazzanim* in the last 150 years to take his father's melodies and songs and re-compose them for orchestras and choirs, I was intrigued by the idea.

Leib Glantz was born in 1898 in Russia. Over the course of his cantorial voice and davening, he was *sui generis* (unique) among cantors of the 20th century. I have always revered his honest and visceral approach to the text of our liturgy and have been moved time and time again, listening to his recordings.

I took about 25 of Leib Glantz's melodies and wove them into a continuous tapestry along with the reading of excerpts of *Night* by Elie Wiesel describing memories of the death of his family, the death of his own innocence, and his despair as a deeply observant Jew confronting the absolute evil of man. These readings were juxtaposed with my re-compositions of powerful texts confirming the principal tenets of Judaism and the strength of our belief in those tenets. The idea was also to have a program/concert that would call for a stop of the hate that is so much a part of the world as it is, by referencing the Shoah as the example of what happens when the powers of hatred are unleashed.

I was asked to go to Russia and Lithuania to supervise the rehearsals and concerts with the wonderful orchestra,

conductor, three fabulous soloists, and four of the best choirs in Eastern Europe, and to make sure that the musical result met my approval. The outcome was wonderful, mostly because everyone involved in this project was dedicated to making an honest presentation by working together as a team.

It was a pleasure and an honor to be a part of this collaboration and I hope that my contributions added to the success of the whole project.

~ Cantor Joseph Ness



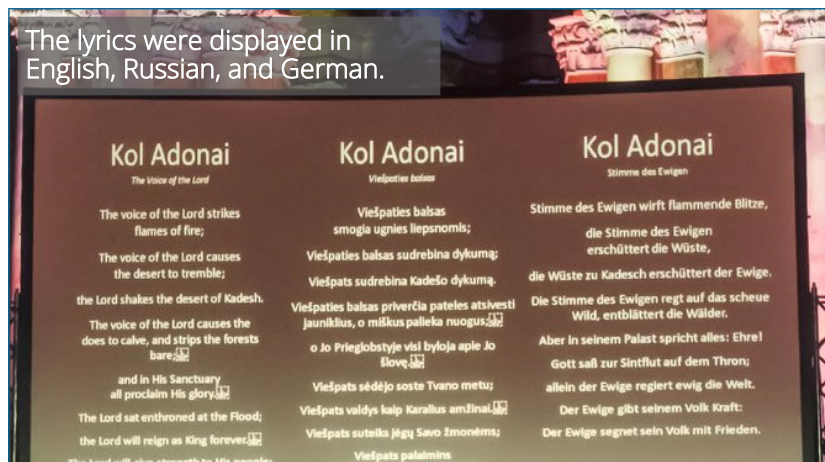
To watch excerpts of the concert on YouTube: tinyurl.com/NessRussia



Cantor Ness traveled to Kaliningrad, Russia, for the world premiere of *The Night Holocaust Project* – a movement to portray the memoir of the late Elie Wiesel via the works of cantor and composer Leib Glantz. The premiere took place at the famous Kaliningrad Dome, on January 27 – the United Nation's International Day of Holocaust Remembrance.

The Night Holocaust Memorial event will be performed around the world by symphony orchestras and large-scale mixed-voice choirs. In addition, a professional actor will narrate 18 excerpts from Wiesel's *Night* memoir in the language local to the performance. Cantor Ness arranged most of the music for the orchestra, choir, and soloists!

The lyrics were displayed in English, Russian, and German.



★ Worshipping Together - recurring programs

Kabbalat Shabbat Service (all ages)

WEEKLY including when other special services take place

6:00 – 7:00 PM

We welcome Shabbat together in this traditional service.

Fridays

Shababa (Babies – Pre-K)

Mini-Minyan (Shababa graduates)

MARCH 15 tinyurl.com/MarchShababa

APRIL 12 tinyurl.com/AprilShababa

5:45 – 6:45 PM

CONTACT: Rabbi Garber, igarber@bethelwh.org



Shabbat Morning: Shacharit, Torah & Musaf Services (all ages)

WEEKLY

9:30 AM – NOON

A traditional, egalitarian service with broad participation from the congregation.

Saturdays

Pre-Teen Learning (ages 9+)

MARCH 2, APRIL 6 12:30 – 1:30 PM

MARCH 16, APRIL 20 11:00 AM – NOON



Pre-teens and teens are invited to a Shabbat study session. Schmooze with our rabbis while discussing Torah, teenage years, and the meaning of life.

Mincha (all ages)

WEEKLY

12:30 – 1:00 PM

A brief, afternoon service; Torah is read.

Family Service (grades K-5)

MONTHLY: MARCH 9, APRIL 27

11:00 AM – NOON



Geared toward kids in grades K-5 and their parents, using our new abridged, family-friendly siddur (with transliterations for everything). All are welcome.

Mazel Tots (birth – K)

WEEKLY

11:00 AM – NOON

LEADER: volunteer parents

NOTE: with parents (all ages are welcome)

BRING: a small, kosher, nut-free snack



Birthday Aliyah (all ages)

MONTHLY: MARCH 2, APRIL 6, MAY 4



A group Aliyah and a blessing from the rabbi.

Women's Shabbat Circle

MARCH 23

11:00 AM – NOON



Join Rabbi Garber for singing and discussion (this is not a Shabbat morning service).

Shabbat Club (grades K-5, with parents)

MONTHLY: MAR 16, APR 20

11:00 AM – NOON

LEADER: volunteer parents



Shabbat Yoga (all ages)

APRIL 13

10:30 AM – NOON

CO-LEADERS: Rabbi Garber & Adriana Matozzo from West Hartford Yoga



Weekdays



Healing Circle

**MONTHLY, ON ROSH CHODESH
(THE NEW MONTH): MARCH 7
6:30 – 7:30 PM**

A healing circle is a safe and sacred space for prayer, chanting, study, and sharing. We join together to pray for healing of body and spirit. Arrive a few minutes early so we can prepare our circle.

★ Celebrating - Purim

Purim Faire Extravaganza:

A Purim Carnival with a Mitzvah Twist

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$5/person

VOLUNTEERS: needed to run booths, contact Liz

LUNCH: items available for purchase

ADULT-ONLY AREA: Pour'em Pub

QUESTIONS: Liz DePalma, 860-233-9696,
edepalma@bethelwh.org

Mishloach Manot

VOLUNTEER help package AND/OR deliver

PACKAGE: week of March 10

DELIVER: Sunday, March 17

REGISTER: tinyurl.com/BETPurim

CONTACT: Jill & Gary Jones, 860-922-7300,
jilljones415@sbcglobal.net

It's time to package and deliver hundreds of gifts.

This is a fun chance to spread Purim cheer.

(Experienced with creating and using routes in Google Maps? We could especially use your help!)

It's Purim!

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

5:30 PM Purim Pasta Bar Dinner

COST: \$5/person, ages 3+

RSVP: tinyurl.com/BETPurimDinner,
by 3/18, noon

6:15 PM Gantza Megillah Reading

Bring boxes of pasta to shake and
drown out Haman's name, and
then to donate to the JFS kosher
food pantry. Wear your
costumes!

7:30 PM Evening Minyan

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

**7:00 AM Morning Minyan, with
Megillah Reading**



★ Worshipping Together, cont.



Service names:

Shacharit = morning

Mincha = afternoon

Ma'ariv = evening

Havdalah = end of
Shabbat or a holiday

Daily Minyan

Shacharit 7:00 AM Mon-Fri
8:45 AM Sun

Ma'ariv 7:30 PM Sun-Thu

Note: Special Minyan Times

We-Th, Mar 20-21 see above

Sunday, Apr 7 6:30 PM

Sunday, Apr 28 6:30 PM

Fr-Su, Apr 19-21 & see

Th-Sa, Apr 25-27 Passover

Candle Lighting & Havdalah Times

Shabbat Friday Saturday

Mar 1-2 5:21 PM 6:22 PM

Mar 8-9 5:29 PM 6:30 PM

Mar 15-16 6:37 PM 7:38 PM

Mar 22-23 6:45 PM 7:46 PM

Mar 29-30 6:53 PM 7:54 PM

Apr 5-6 7:00 PM 8:02 PM

Apr 12-13 7:08 PM 8:09 PM

Apr 19-20 See special Passover
Apr 25-27 schedule on page 9.

Shabbat - Friday

Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 PM

Shabbat - Saturday

Pirkei Avot Study 8:30 AM

Shacharit, Torah, &
Musaf Services 9:30 AM

Children's Playroom 9:30 AM

Mazel Tots 11:00 AM

Mincha Service 12:30 PM

There are no regular services
(Ma'ariv & Havdalah) on Saturday
evenings.

**Additional information and detailed descriptions of
all programs can be found on our website.**

★ Engaging Generations

Israeli Robotic Students Visit

Host Families Needed

WEDNESDAY-MONDAY, APRIL 10-15

CONTACT: Sharon Efron 860-559-4010,
sgredancer@yahoo.com

Some 40 young, enthusiastic Israeli High School robot "engineers" are coming once again to participate in Trinity College's Annual Fire Fighting Robot Contest. Host families are needed for both students and teachers. Responsibilities include lodging, meals, transportation, etc.

All are invited to watch the competition during the weekend!

Beth El Is Warm and Welcoming



The sign at our front entrance states "All are welcome." Torah instructs "You shall not wrong nor oppress a stranger..." (Exodus 22:21). If we're required to be kind to strangers, how much more so is the mandate to be considerate of fellow Beth El members and staff? About 30% of the U.S. population is sensitive to scented products on other people; some even have allergic reactions. Please avoid wearing fragrances at Beth El.

*Let's keep the air we share
healthy and fragrance-free for all.*

New Members

Theodora Sirota

Kara & Alexander Zablotzky, and Owen

Mazal Tov! and Appreciation for Sponsoring a Kiddush or Lunch

Rachel & Jared Neuhausen, in honor of naming of daughter
Lyla Ruth

Taste of Shabbat

Hoffman family, in honor of Hebert Hoffman's significant
birthday

Bubby & Zaidy Gavens, in honor of their nine grandchildren

Congratulations

Paulette & Jim Lotstein, birth of twin grandsons, Zeke &
Simon

Rachel & Jared Neuhausen, birth of daughter, Lyla Ruth
Neuhausen

Sidra & Marvin Sperling, birth of great-grandson, Lev Rosson

Susan & Stu Wachtel and Shirley Wachtel, birth of grand-
daughter/great-granddaughter, Victoria (Tori) Jordan Krebs

Emilie & Jordan Zinn, birth of daughter, Viviana Mojica Zinn

Of Blessed Memory

Brian Philip Bander, son of Carin Buckman

Rita Blotner, mother of Steven

Saul "Sy" Dresner, husband of Edith

Mitzi Einstein, grandmother of Ivy Patt

Phyllis Marilyn Feinstein, mother of Stephen

Philip Feltman

Thelma Greene

Marcia Habelow, mother of Wendy

Max Javit, husband of Rachel, father of Debra

Richard Kane, father of Dory Fleischman

Shirley Rosenfield, mother of Sandy Goldberg

Daniel Shichman, father of Steven

Sylvia Sirkis, sister of Marvin Sperling

Clara Sowalsky, mother of Rabbi Howard Sowalsky, Joel
Sowalsky, Cheryl Rodrick

Abby Weiner, husband of Bonnie, father of Gayle Temkin

Elaine Zachs, wife of Ted, mother of Todd

Bar and Bat Mitzvah Celebrations

Information on Bar and Bat
Mitzvah celebrations is
available from the Temple
Office.

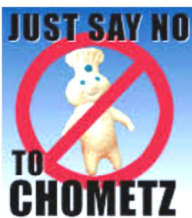
If you would like to share your Simchas and Sorrows with the Beth El Community, please send your Life Cycle announcements to Laurea in the Office: LEsau@bethelwh.org.



★ Preparing - Passover

A mitzvah of Passover is the removal of all *chametz* (leaven), both physically and symbolically, and all that has had contact with *chametz*. Jewish law forbids eating (or even possessing) any food that can contain leaven.

According to Jewish law, instruments that are used throughout the year absorb leaven and may not be used on Passover. In traditional households, it is customary to have special dishes that are only used during the Passover festival. See the next page for the process of *kashering*.



Bedikat Chametz – Search for Leaven

In anticipation of Pesach, it is traditional to engage in a thorough spring cleaning. Then, a formal search takes place right after sundown on the night before Pesach. A blessing is said, and the search is done by candlelight or flashlight, with a small bag to sweep up the crumbs, usually with a feather. Since the house has already been cleaned thoroughly, it is customary to put crumbs in a few places where they can be easily found. The following morning, the leaven is burned (*biur chametz*). No *chametz* is eaten until the end of Passover.

Mekhirat Chametz – Transfer of Ownership

All *chametz* vessels (dishes, utensils, etc., and unopened food cartons or cans stored away during the Festival) should no longer legally be in one's possession.

How do we achieve this in accordance with Jewish law? An agent is empowered to enact a transaction with someone not Jewish. The sale has to take legal form, using a formal bill of sale. All *chametz* remains in that person's "ownership." At the end of the holiday, the agent arranges for the reversion of ownership of the now-permitted *chametz*. If ownership of the *chametz* was not transferred before the holiday, the use of this *chametz* is prohibited after the holiday as well.

You may observe this mitzvah by completing the form on page 23, or at tinyurl.com/TransferChametz. The form must be returned **before 9:00 AM, Fri, April 19**.

Please consider a contribution to *Maot Chitin* (Passover Fund for the Needy) or *Mazon* (a Jewish Response to Hunger) – indicate your preference on the form. You might also donate unopened, nonperishable *chametz* to FoodShare.

For any additional questions or concerns, please contact one of our Rabbis.



Passover Calendar

TUES/WED, APRIL 16 AND 17

3:30 PM Horseradish preparation

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

7:00 AM Fast of the First Born Service and Study Session, followed by breakfast*

9:00 AM Deadline to Sell *Chametz*

7:16 PM Candle Lighting

EVENING First Seder @ home (no evening services)

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

9:30 AM Shabbat & Festival Services

12:30 PM Festival Mincha Service

8:17 PM Candle Lighting

EVENING Second Seder @ home (no evening services)



SUNDAY, APRIL 21

9:30 AM Festival Services

7:30 PM Festival Mincha, Ma'ariv, & Havdalah Services

8:18 PM Havdalah

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

7:22 PM Candle Lighting

7:30 PM Mincha & Festival Ma'ariv Services

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

9:30 AM Festival Services

6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat & Festival Services

7:24 PM Candle Lighting

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

9:30 AM Shabbat & Festival Services

11:00 AM Yizkor (approximate time)

12:30 PM Festival Mincha Services

8:25 PM Havdalah & end of Passover

* Sponsored by Susan & Robert Gold in memory of Leo Gold z"l

Jessie's Garden Horseradish



Horseradish, grown in Jessie's Garden, will be prepared in-house and available for purchase.

See page 13 for details.



Guidelines for Permitted and Prohibited Items

PERMITTED FOODS may require a *Kosher le-Pesach* label, and it may differ if purchased before or during the holiday:

- ◆ NO label if purchased PRIOR to Pesach: unopened packages or containers of natural coffee without cereal additives; sugar, pure tea (not herbal tea); salt (not iodized); pepper; natural spices; frozen fruit juices with no additives; frozen (uncooked) vegetables (for legumes, see *Kitniyot*); milk; butter; cottage cheese; cream cheese; ripened cheeses such as cheddar (hard), muenster (semi-soft) and Camembert (soft); frozen (uncooked) fruit (with no additives); baking soda.
- ◆ NO label if purchased PRIOR or DURING Pesach: **fresh** fruits and vegetables (for legumes, see *Kitniyot*, right), eggs, fresh fish, and fresh meat.
- ◆ NEED label if purchased PRIOR or DURING Pesach: all baked products (matzah, cakes, matzah flour, farfel, matzah meal, and any products containing matzah); canned or bottled fruit juices; canned tuna; wine, vinegar, liquor, oils, dried fruits, candy, chocolate flavored milk, ice cream, yogurt, soda.
- ◆ NEED label if purchased DURING Pesach: **processed** foods (canned, bottled, or frozen): milk, butter, juices, vegetables, fruit, milk products, spices, coffee, tea, and fish.

PROHIBITED FOODS include the following: leavened bread, cakes, biscuits, crackers, cereal, coffees containing cereal derivatives, wheat, barley, oats, spelt, rye, and all liquids containing ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol.

KITNIYOT: Most Ashkenazic authorities have added the following foods to the above list:

- ◆ rice, corn, millet, legumes (beans and peas); however, string beans are permitted.
- ◆ Peanuts and peanut oil are permissible.
- ◆ We permit the use of legumes in a form other than their natural state, for example, corn sweeteners, corn oil, soy oil. Sephardic authorities also permit the use of all of the above.
- ◆ For an alternative perspective on the use of legumes, see www.rabbinicalassembly.org/sites/default/files/public/halakhah/teshuvot/2011-2020/Levin-Reisner-Kitniyot.pdf; or contact one of the **Beth El Rabbis** for further information.

MEDICINE: Chametz binders are used in many pills, but if required for life sustaining therapy, and general medical health, they may be used. In all cases, capsules are preferable to pills.

Kashering Utensils for Passover

The process of kashering depends on how the utensils are used. According to *halakhah* (Jewish law), leaven can be purged from a utensil by the same process in which it was absorbed in the utensil (*ke-voleo kakh polet*). Therefore, utensils used in cooking are kashered by boiling, those used in broiling are kashered by fire and heat, and those used only for cold food are kashered by rinsing.

◆ **EARTHENWARE** (china, pottery, etc.) may NOT be kashered. Exception: fine translucent chinaware which has not been used for over a year may be used if scoured and cleaned in hot water.

◆ **METAL** (wholly made of metal)

- ◇ Utensils used in fire (spit, broiler) must first be thoroughly scrubbed and cleansed and then made as hot as possible.
- ◇ Those used for cooking or eating (silverware, pots) must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned and completely immersed in boiling water. Pots should not be used for a period of at least 24 hours between the cleaning and the immersion in boiling water.
- ◇ Metal baking utensils can NOT be kashered.

◆ **OVENS AND RANGES:** Every part that comes in contact with food must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned. Then, oven and range should be heated as hot as possible for a half hour. If there is a broil setting, use it.

- ◇ Self-cleaning ovens should be scrubbed and cleaned and then put through the self-cleaning cycle.
- ◇ Continuous cleaning ovens must be kashered in the same manner as regular ovens.

◆ **SMOOTH GLASS TOP ELECTRIC RANGES** should be cleaned thoroughly, and then turn on the coils to maximum heat until they are red hot. Carefully, pour boiling water on the entire surface area. **Note:** Some will not be able to be kashered.

◆ **MICROWAVE OVENS** which do not cook the food by means of heat should be cleaned, then a cup of water placed inside, and the oven turned on until the water disappears.

◇ **Note:** A microwave oven that has a browning element can NOT be kashered for Pesach.

◆ **GLASSWARE** requires only a thorough scrubbing before Pesach, or putting them through a dishwasher. Some also soak in water for three days, changing the water every 24 hours.

◇ **Glass Cookware:** After a thorough cleansing, there should be water boiled in them which will overflow the rim.

◇ **Note:** Glass Bakeware, like metal bakeware, may NOT be kashered.

◆ **DISHWASHER** After not using the machine for a period of 24 hours, a full cycle with detergent should be run.

◆ **ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES** If the parts that come into contact with *chametz* are removable, they can be kashered in the appropriate way (if metal, follow the rules for metal utensils). All exposed parts should be thoroughly cleaned.

◇ **Note:** If the parts are not removable, the appliance can NOT be kashered.

◆ **TABLES, CLOSETS AND COUNTERS** If used with *chametz*, they should be thoroughly cleaned and covered, and then they may be used.

◆ **KITCHEN SINK** A metal sink can be kashered by thoroughly cleaning and then pouring boiling water over it. A porcelain sink should be cleaned and a sink rack used. Dishes may NOT be soaked in a porcelain sink.

◆ **CHAMETZ AND NON-PASSOVER UTENSILS** Non-Passover dishes, pots, and *chametz* whose ownership has been transferred, should be separated, locked up or covered, and marked in order to prevent accidental use.

★ Celebrating Beth El

Mark your calendars for an evening you will not want to miss!

Please join us on
Wednesday, June 5
for
Beth El Temple's Annual Spring Event
celebrating our
65th Anniversary

Champagne dessert reception to follow.
Details to be announced.

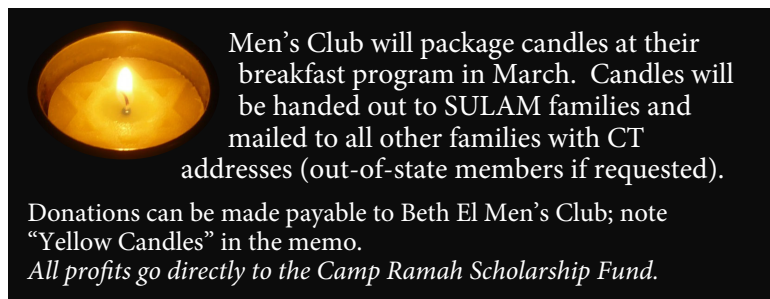
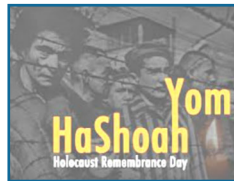
★ Observing Together - Modern Holiday

Yom HaShoah

Holocaust Remembrance Day
begins Wednesday eve, May 2

We light a yellow candle and remember those who perished in the Holocaust.

The full name is *Yom HaShoah ve'HaGevurah* – Day of Remembrance of the Holocaust and Heroism – and that is indeed what it is. May the memories of those who perished in the Holocaust always be a blessing. And may we continue to honor those who bravely stood up to those who sought to destroy us.



Men's Club will package candles at their breakfast program in March. Candles will be handed out to SULAM families and mailed to all other families with CT addresses (out-of-state members if requested).

Donations can be made payable to Beth El Men's Club; note "Yellow Candles" in the memo.
All profits go directly to the Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund.

In the Community

Community-Wide Yom Hashoah Commemoration

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 6:00 – 8:00 PM

LOCATION: at Beth El Temple

CONTACT: Donna Goldstein,
dgoldstein@mandelljcc.org

Community-Wide Reading of the Names

MONDAY, APRIL 16, 8:00 AM – 12:00 AM

LOCATION: Mandell JCC, 335 Bloomfield Ave,
West Hartford

Contact: Kathy Fishman, 860-808-9108,
kathy@ctvoicesofhope.org

Annual Holocaust Commemoration

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

LOCATION: State Capitol, 210 Capitol Ave,
Hartford

Contact: Kathy Fishman (see above)

★ Lifelong Learning

Ongoing Weekly Classes for Adults

New participants welcome, no registration, no charge (except where noted).

Writing Workshop

TUESDAYS

10:30 – NOON

CONTACT: Betty Hoffman,
860-233-4853,
bhoffman3@comcast.net

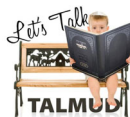


Talmud Study

WEDNESDAYS

10:15 – 11:15 AM

CONTACT: Steve Stier,
steven.stier@gmail.com



Pirkei Avot Study

SATURDAYS

8:30 – 9:30 AM

No prior knowledge necessary.



Lunch & Learn

TUESDAYS

12:00 – 1:00 PM

BYOL: bring your own
dairy lunch, optional



Bible & Breakfast

THURSDAYS

8:00 – 9:00 AM

NOTE: not meeting 3/21



Hebrew Reading Course

SUNDAYS IN MARCH

10:30 – 11:30 AM

INSTRUCTOR: Sidra Sperling

COST: 5 classes, \$25; free for SULAM parents

NOTE: meets only when SULAM is in session

We will be learning the Havdalah service.



Library Corner

***The Hebrew Bible: A Translation with Commentary* ★ Roberta J. Buland**

Rabbi Rosen calls Robert Alter's *The Hebrew Bible: A Translation with Commentary* "an astounding work that provides a truly fresh approach to the entire Hebrew Bible. He adds, "Alter's work is far more than a new translation. Embedded in his English version is a sometimes subtle, sometimes provocative presentation of the world-view of these treasured texts illuminating them for readers of all backgrounds."

Alter's highly acclaimed work was begun in 1995. But judging from his over 30 scholarly previous works, he began to think about writing it many years before. It seems to be a culmination of his life's work.

In this work, Alter labored alone, singlehandedly translating the Bible in three volumes: *The Five Books of Moses*, *Prophets*, and *Writings*. Verse by verse, chapter by chapter, book by book, year after year, he labored to produce this exquisite Bible translation with his own thoughtful commentary. He found the hardest material in the *Prophets*, because of the form of elevated speech created by individuals with a mastery of poetry and rhetoric.



The books are physically similar to *Etz Hayim* in that below each text Alter has provided helpful notes and observations. Sometimes these are simple aids to the reader, such as a geographic reference. More often, the comments deliver keen insights regarding the style and diction of biblical writers. For example, regarding the poetic couplet at Isaiah 1:3, "The ox knows its owner / and the donkey its master's stall," illustrates the pattern of focusing or concretization in the movement from the first verse to the second in biblical poetry. The first verse demonstrates the general relation of beast to owner; the second verse then focuses on the place of nurture connecting beast and master." Thousands of such examples support the scope and wonder of Alter's work.

Highly accessible to lay readers, *The Hebrew Bible* should be on everyone's bookshelf.

Library Corner provides information about non-fiction books housed in our library; books are reviewed rather than critiqued. To request that a book be reviewed, please contact rjbuland@comcast.net.

★ Doing Mitzvot

Jessie's Garden Horseradish

Farm-to-table horseradish is grown in our own Jessie's Garden, prepared in our kitchen, and available for your Seder table.

COST: \$6/5oz. bottle,
available April 17-19

RESERVE A JAR: Temple Office or
tinyurl.com/BETHorseradish

NOTE: place orders early, we
tend to sell out!



Making Horseradish

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16 & 17

3:30 – 5:30 PM

CONTACT: Dan Kulakofsky,
dpk18@hotmail.com



Come cry with us!

Adult volunteers are needed to help as the SULAM Learners prepare the horseradish and connect with the Passover holiday. They gain a different appreciation for the bitterness of slavery as everyone sheds tears. (googles optional)



Monthly Programs

Charter Oak Project

MONTHLY, MARCH 31/APRIL 1

9:00 – 11:00 AM SUNDAYS

Cook at Beth El

5:00 – 7:00 PM MONDAYS

Serve at Charter Oak
Cultural Center

CONTACT: Cook: Craig Diamond, 860-899-4918,
craigpdiamond@outlook.com;

Serve: Myra Kleinman, 860-508-3672,
mwkleinman@outlook.com

Looking for a meaningful and fun opportunity to impact peoples' lives? We provide meals for low-income families in Hartford. No experience necessary.

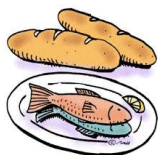
Loaves & Fishes Soup Kitchen

MONDAYS, MONTHLY: MARCH 4, APRIL 1, MAY 6

10:00 AM – 12:45 PM

LOCATION: Immanuel Church,
Woodland St, Hartford

CONTACT: Ellen Solomon,
gingy81434@hotmail.com



KNITzvah Group

SUNDAYS, MONTHLY: MARCH 17, APRIL 7

10:00 – 11:30 AM

CONTACTS: Annette Gavens,
sygavens@aol.com, or
Norma Jean Sternschein,
jnsternschein@comcast.net



If you knit or crochet, this is a fun way to spend 90 minutes. We chat and schmooze while creating something useful to be donated to local charities for people who need a little "extra love."

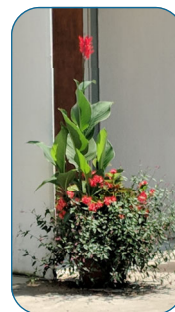
Ongoing - Plants and Vegetables

Plantings and Flower Beds

SPRING, WINTER, FALL

CONTACT: Sheila Fox, 860-828-3939

Our beautiful plantings and potted plants that adorn the outside of the building need daily watering, ideally in the morning. Come once a week, or once a month, we need you!



Jessie's Garden

MAY-OCTOBER

CONTACT: Betty Hoffman, 860-233-4853,
bhoffman3@comast.net

Whether you are an experienced gardener or are new to its joys, please consider joining us for our ninth year of growing healthy, organic vegetables.

Jessie's Garden was established by the Kostin family, longtime Beth El members, in memory of their daughter, Jessica. Every year our volunteers grow lettuce, tomatoes, onions, beans, horseradish, and other vegetables to feed the hungry through the Anja



Rosenberg Kosher
Food Pantry at
Jewish Family
Services.

Jessie's Gardeners,
led by Herb

Hoffman, are looking for more individuals, couples, and families to help plant, weed, water, pick, and deliver vegetables to the Food Pantry.

★ Making Connections

Cantor Ness' Youth Choir

Rehearsals

SUNDAYS when SULAM is in session

11:30 AM – 12:15 PM

CONTACT: Debbie, bema.wh@gmail.com

NOTE: additional weeknight rehearsals may be scheduled preceding a service or concert

All Beth El members in grades 3-7 are invited to join the choir. They sing at Holiday and Shabbat services during the year, and sometimes at a BEMA concert.

Cantor Ness surprised the students in his choir with gifts upon his return from Russia. He gave each girl a colorful Russian nesting doll. (2 girls are missing from the picture)

Since his trip, two boys have joined the choir!



Music University with Cantor Joseph Ness

Beethoven Intensive

#1 WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6 7:50 PM
OR **MONDAY, MARCH 11 NOON**

#2 WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13 7:50 PM
OR **MONDAY, MARCH 18 NOON**



NOTE: Wednesday lectures follow 7:30 Minyan
ENCORE LECTURE: Monday; may bring a dairy lunch

Beethoven was a revolutionary man living in a revolutionary time. He captured his inner voice and the spirit of his time, demons and all, creating a body of music



the likes of which no one had ever before imagined. These lectures will feature some analysis and historical background, but will mainly explore and demystify the

compositions through discussion and recorded examples of Beethoven's early, middle, and late period piano works – while at the same time embracing the eternal mystery of his musical genius.

And coming in May: *Music of the Ages*.

Part I: May 1 & 6 Part II: May 15 & 20

Empty Nester Moms – Walk & Talk

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

7:00 – 8:00 PM

LOCATION: WestFarms Mall

MONDAY, APRIL 29

6:30 – 7:30 PM

LOCATION: Reservoir 6, Albany Ave

RSVP: day before each walk to confirm the meeting place

CONTACT: Lonni Schulz, 860-651-0072,
LonniSchulz@sbcglobal.net



Let's discuss what's happening in our lives now that our children have moved on to the next stage of theirs.



West Hartford
United
Synagogue
Youth

3-on-3 Basketball Tournament SUNDAY, MARCH 10

Regional Senior Weekend FRIDAY-SUNDAY, MARCH 15-17

Jr. USY Wednesday WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 20, APRIL 17 2:45 – 3:45 PM

LOCATION: The Emanuel Synagogue

NOTE: for 6th-8th graders

Shabbat Dinners around the World

FRIDAYS: MARCH 29 Cuba
MAY 3 Israel

COST: \$12/person, included with Premier
DETAILS: will be emailed

Regional Jr. USY Event SUNDAY, APRIL 7

DUES: \$40/year; \$85 for Premier Membership
(includes all Shabbat dinners)

INFORMATION: www.tinyurl.com/whusymembership

QUESTIONS: Jason Kay, whusy18@gmail.com

This year's programming is thanks, in part, to grants from USY and the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford.

Music for the Jewish Soul by "Shir Ha Shalom"

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

NOON – 3:00 PM

COST: \$10

RSVP: by 4/8, Roberta Smith, 860-232-0621,
chaisociety@bethelwh.org, Allan Geetter,
860-651-8022, allan.geetter@gmail.com

SPONSOR: Chai Society



Luncheon and Concert featuring songs of Broadway, the Yiddish Theater and Cantorial Favorites performed by Natasha Ulyanovsky (organist, piano), Patrick Buckley (baritone) and Max Schwimmer (saxophone).

The Wartime Sisters

Women's Network Lunch
with an Author

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

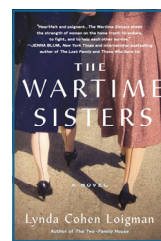
12:00 – 1:30 PM

COST: \$18 (free for WN members)

RSVP: by 4/24, womensnetworkbethel@gmail.com



You loved her first novel, *The Two Family House*, now author Lynda Cohen Loigman returns to Beth El to discuss her new novel about two estranged sisters, raised in Brooklyn and each burdened with her own shocking secret, reunited at the Springfield Armory in the early days of WWII.



Men's Club

Jewish Humor in the Aftermath of the Holocaust with Dr. Avi Patt,
Prof. of Modern Jewish History at the University of Hartford

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

8:45 AM Minyan

9:15 AM Breakfast & Program

10:30 AM Package Yellow Candles

COST: \$10 (\$5, MC members); no charge if you help package the candles

RSVP: by 3/20, Jacob Kovel, 860-651-9366,
eaglewars@aol.com



Saving a Life

SUNDAY, MAY 5

8:45 AM Minyan

9:15 AM Breakfast & Program

COST: \$10 (\$5, MC members)

RSVP: by 5/1, Jacob Kovel,
860-651-9366, eaglewars@aol.com



Beth El's own Joshua Rosenfeld will share his story of saving a man's life in an airport in Singapore.



A certified instructor from the American Heart Association will provide a one-hour session on hands-only CPR.

Keeper of the Flame 5779

CT Valley Region Celebration

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

11:00 AM Brunch, Program, Awards

LOCATION: The Emanuel Synagogue

COST: \$25, \$10/child (12 and under)

TRIBUTE BOOK: invitation and information will be mailed to all Beth El members

QUESTIONS: Phil Schulz, 860-726-6118,
philschulz@sbcglobal.net



Beth El's honoree is Tom Falik.

Men's Club Shabbat

APRIL 13

9:30 AM – NOON

Men's Club will lead services and install next year's board, followed by a luncheon.

Walk Around the Reservoir

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

9:45 AM

LOCATION: Route 4 Reservoir, meet in parking lot

CONTACT: Stu Bernstein, 860-232-2012,
scbernste@aol.com

Post-Minyan Breakfast

EVERY SUNDAY, THROUGH JUNE 30

8:45 AM Minyan; 9:15 AM Breakfast

NOTE: except when there is breakfast program

To help sponsor a breakfast program:

MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION: \$36

CONTACT: Bruce Shein, 860-677-8300,
bruceshein@comcast.net

★ Israel Engagement Committee

A Small Country with a Big Impact

A Sampling of Israeli Contributions in 2018



Yellow-tailed woolly monkey is an endangered species.

Israeli conservationists crowdfund to save endangered species – for as little as \$1, anyone can contribute to This is My Earth (TiME) to purchase and protect land in

biodiversity hotspots. Donors vote on where the money will go. www.this-is-my-earth.org

High tech paint uses the sun's rays to cool buildings – Herzilya-based SolCold makes a paint that uses the sun's

rays to activate a cooling mechanism, providing air conditioning without electricity. This electricity-free solution can be used

anywhere from malls to homes, offices, cars, planes, etc. Trials are currently underway and potentially could mean a decrease of up to 60% in electrical costs!



The nanotech paint can turn hot sunshine into cool air-conditioning

One drug to treat a variety of incurable diseases – a novel peptide developed by Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School Prof. David Naor is showing promise in its ability to treat a host of incurable diseases from Crohn's to Alzheimer's. If the clinical trials bear out this could potentially prove to be a miracle drug.



270 Kids in Guatemala got wheelchairs from Israel

Special plastic wheel chairs distributed to needy children – Wheelchairs of Hope, colorful,

lightweight, inexpensive, low maintenance wheelchairs are the brainchild of plastics-industry executives Pablo Kaplan and Chava Rotshtein. Sized for kids, they are now helping children from South Africa to Vietnam, Peru, Tajikistan, Argentina, and Guatemala.

Israeli experts help community leaders after the Parkland school shooting – professionals from the Israel Trauma Coalition arrived within days to train teachers, social workers, law enforcers, clergy, and first

responders in resiliency strategies. They have also helped communities in Houston and Pittsburgh. Also on hand to provide help were Israeli aid organizations ZAKA Search and Rescue, United Hatzalah Psychotrauma & Crisis Unit, and Dream Doctors.

Automated hand-washing stations for Indian Children – thanks to



Children in Bagepalli, India using a Soapy Station

Soapy, children in areas of India that lack running water can clean their hands properly with off-grid, solar-powered, self-sustaining hygiene stations. This social-impact start-up has developed a machine that starts automatically when someone approaches delivering a precise dose of soap along with water harvested from the air.

No-prep alternative to colonoscopy wins CE approval in Europe – now in pilot studies in the U.S., Check-Cap's C-scan ingestible x-ray capsule passively collects data allowing maps of the colon before being eliminated naturally. Physicians look at the maps on a clinical data viewer to identify any abnormalities needing further examination.



Daniel, age 3, was flown from Tanzania to SACH, 2/2018

Israeli NGO, Save A Child's Heart (SACH), received the 2018 UN Population Award – SACH has treated, at no charge, more than 4800 children

from 57 countries, Gaza, and the Palestinian Authority territories, and has trained cardiology teams from those countries.

(adapted from Israel21c.org; Blackburn and Leichman, 12/28/18)

COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRS:

Sharon Efron, sgredancer@yahoo.com

Robin Santiago, drsantiago@drsantiago.net

★ Recognizing our Volunteers

X-mas Day Mitzvah Day 2018

Mitzvah Day Chairs: Lisa Shakun and Johanna Zelman



Waste Not Want Not
South Congregational Church, Granby

Claire Gatta	Ralph Kadden	Hilary Silver
Joni Harris	Lois Koteen	Nadav Swartz
Jonathan Harris	Chuck Koteen	Jennifer Wolfberg
Samantha Harris	Laurie Shakun	Steve Wolfberg
Ryan Harris	Marshall Shakun	Molly Wolfberg
Lele Kadden		



Salvation Army
Hartford

Bert Berlin	Richard Gutcheon
Allison Bloom	Hannah Pliskin
Marley Bloom	Maddy Pliskin
Michael Bloom	Sherri Pliskin
Sam Bloom	Abigail Zittoun
Hannah Borden	Dan Zittoun
Jessica Borden	Ella Zittoun
Rylee Borden	Gwen Zittoun
Sam Borden	Olivia Zittoun
Debbie Gutcheon	



Hebrew Home, West Hartford

Bill Kleinman	Amy Schoen	Will Schoen
Myra Kleinman	Hannah Schoen	David Silver
Tara Rothstein	Rob Schoen	Linda Stanger



The Retreat Assisted Living, Hartford

Jonathan Alter	Matthew Oremland	Ronit Shoham
Marci Alter	Rachel Oremland	Marge Swaye
Craig Diamond	Robin Oremland	Ricky Swaye
Len Oremland	Scott Shoham	

USY Regional Winter Kallah

February 1-3: USY thanks all the adult volunteers and hosts that helped make this event such a success.

Marci & Jonathan Alter	Lisa & Peter Harris	Karen & Phil Schlossberg	Sarah Willen &
Lisa & Shock Baitch	Beth & Bernard Kavalier	Jamie Silverstein	Sebastian Wogenstein
Leah & Rabbi Steve	Kim & Jeremy Kempner	Elizabeth & Adam	Danielle & Ben Wu
Chatinover	Becca & Eric Maurer	Simmons	Hannah & Lev Zweibel
Steven & Courtney Covici	Barbara & Mark Nachtigal	Linda & Bruce Stanger	Lay and professional
Myra Emrick	Ivy & Avi Patt	Michal & Greg Stevens	leadership, Beth El Temple
Rabbi Ilana Garber &	Sherri & Fred Pliskin	Gayle & Steve Temkin	Beth El Temple Custodial
Adam Berkowitz	Nancy & Rabbi Jim Rosen	Karen & Alan Tuvin	Staff
Joni & Jonathan Harris	Rachelle Saffron		

★ Supporting Beth El

Why Endowment?

Honor the Past . . . Cherish the Present . . . Assure the Future . . .

The Talmud teaches us, *"I did not find the world desolate when I entered it, and as my fathers planted for me, so do I plant for my children."*

An endowment fund is a permanent, self-sustaining source of funding. Endowment assets grow because they are invested. Each year, a small percentage of the earnings from these funds is used to enhance the programs, facilities, and aims of our synagogue. When you establish a named endowment fund, you create a permanent legacy of support for Beth El Temple. Legacy is not what's left tomorrow when we're gone. It's what we give, create, and contribute today while we're here that then lives on.

The Endowment Fund of Beth El Temple, which is managed by the Jewish Community Foundation, provides approximately 7% of the Temple's annual operating budget. This money comes from all

unrestricted funds and those restricted funds which can be applied to the various budget items that fall within their restrictions. In addition, there are restricted funds that provide money to underwrite special programs throughout the year that could otherwise not take place.

Each of us has the opportunity to do something for those who come after us. We can make a difference. This is our community and it is up to us to preserve what has been created and help it flourish. We honor our past, as we support today's strengths, in order to secure tomorrow's possibilities.

There are a variety of ways you can establish an endowment fund. If you are interested in learning more, please email: endowment@bethelwh.org or phone the Temple office and ask to have an Endowment Trustee contact you.

We deeply appreciate the following Thoughtful Contributions.

Cantor's Music Fund

IN APPRECIATION OF

Cantor Ness – **David Diamond, Sandra & Bruce Goldberg, Leslie Kaim, Emma & Hannah Krug, Steven Malitz**

Cantor Ness for the Pideon Haben of son & grandson, Ethan Mac Ochs – **Stefanie & David Ochs, Robin & David Gelles**

IN HONOR OF

Deborah Rosenfeld, editor of Temple

Topics – **Meryl & Mitchell Danitz**

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Bluestone, grandsons of Paulette & Jim Lotstein – **Bobby & David Klau**

IN MEMORY OF

Sy Dresner, husband of Edith – **Sandra & Warren Brook**

Hank Weber, father of Patti Weiner – **Barbara & David Brown**

Shirley Rosenfield, mother of Sandra Goldberg – **Ellen & Peter Donshik**

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FOR THE YAHRZEIT OF

Maurice Newburger, father – **Betty Hoffman**

Della & Leo Diamond, parents; Sarah Vogelhut, mother – **Lorraine & Farrel Vogelhut**

Beautification Fund

IN MEMORY OF

Betty Rosenbloom, mother of Jacqueline Bazzano – **Maria & Michael DeMaio, Robert Garceau & Jerry O'Dwyer**

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Arlene Lewis, mother – **Bonnie & Paul Lewis**

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Lila Santiago, mother; Harry Mark, grandfather – **Robin & Rafi Santiago**

Rabbi Garber's Discretionary Fund

IN APPRECIATION OF

Rabbi Garber – **Lynda Clare, Meryl Danitz, Emma & Hannah Krug, Stephanie & Justin Kudler, Susan & Jesse Samuels, Marjorie Seiferheld, Shirley Wachtel**

Rabbi Garber for the wedding of Sara & Seth – **Barbara & David Brown**

IN HONOR OF

Parker Grant Heilbrunn's Aliyah on Shabbat Shemot – **Alissa & Bob Heilbrunn**

Special Gifts

Exterior Security Door in Kitchen

Dorine & Marty Toyen

Special Security Fund

Honey Sue Springut

In-Temple Communications System

Honey Sue Springut

Kitchen Dishwasher System

Zachs Family

We have **two new REFRIGERATORS** in the main kitchen – Men's Club purchased them and Women's Network paid for their installation – many thanks to both groups! And thanks again to Bud Jason for his support of the new appliances.

Education Fund

IN APPRECIATION OF

Ron Buckman for the Brit Milah of son, Asher Anthony – **Miriam & Scott King**

IN MEMORY OF

Phyllis & Zachary Burton – **Eric Burton**

Max Goldfield Fund

IN HONOR OF

David Diamond receiving the Men's Club Distinguished Service Award – **Ron Hartman**

Rabbi Rosen's Discretionary Fund

IN APPRECIATION OF

Rabbi Rosen – **Judy Borus & family, Lynda Clare, David Diamond, Korine & Ron Ferraro, Sandra & Bruce Goldberg, Leslie Kaim, Steven Malitz, Barbara & Joel Messing, Ron Peikes, Steven Stier**

Rabbi Rosen's participation in the Brit Milah & Pidyon Haben of son & grandson, Ethan Mac Ochs – **Stefanie & David Ochs, Robin & David Gelles**

IN HONOR OF

Wedding of granddaughter, Melissa Malkin to David Rubin – **Morton Goldberg**

Bat mitzvah of granddaughter, Ellie Brooke Goldstein; 50th wedding anniversaries of Phyllis & Stewart Lehman, Myra & Lewis Platt, Lisa & Bruce Sussman, Faith & Bruce Parker – **Fredda & Jon Goldstein**

Rabbi Rosen for leading Pirkei Avot – **Regina & Donald Miller**

50th wedding anniversary of Julie & George Risisky – **Andrew Schoolnik, Rita Schoolnik & Howard Zisseron**

IN MEMORY OF

Marc S. Levine, husband of Tammy – **Alison & Owen Minde, Joanne & Arthur Rome, Gail & Ray Weinstein, Susan Wiener**

Marguerite Weinberg, wife of Marvin; Shirley Rosenfield, mother of Sandra Goldberg; Hank Weber, father of Patti Weiner; Jean Sanofsky; Susan Ziplow – **Fredda & Jon Goldstein**

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☆ For the next edition of Temple Topics, contributions need to be **received** in the office by March 19, 2019.

☆ The minimum donation for each listing is \$10.

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- How you want your name listed.
- Correct spelling of all names in your tribute message.
- Address to which an acknowledgement should be sent.
- If possible, submit it typed; or print clearly.

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BETH EL TEMPLE CRAFT GALLERY

The Craft Gallery invites you to come in and browse through our collection of hand selected items from some of Israel's top artists as well as artisans throughout the United States.



Our wares include beautiful items for holiday preparation, religious ceremonies, gifts, toys, jewelry and more. From menorahs to mezuzahs, jewelry to Judaica, tallit to tzedakah boxes, the Craft Gallery is here to support your needs.

Proceeds benefit the many arms of the synagogue and we are staffed through the generosity of our volunteers.

OPEN: Sundays when SULAM is in session, 9:00 – 11:30AM

APPOINTMENTS: Shelley Barker, 860-232-6468; Jill Jones, 860-236-7895

Merrill Stein, father of Debbie Elman; Hank Weber, father of Patti Weiner – **Joanne & Arthur Rome**

Connor Zieky, son of Jon & Liz, grandson of Sandra – **Wendy & David Savin**
Judge Walter R. Wertheim, father of Marsha Fisher – **Stacey & Eric Shore**
Merrill Stein, father of Debbie Elman – **Judy Small**

Hank Weber, father of Patti Weiner – **Susan Wiener**

FOR THE YAHRZEIT OF

Ruth Gartner, mother – **William Gartner**
Saul Tanzer, father – **Jason Tanzer**

Temple Fund

IN APPRECIATION OF

For Aliyah on the yahrzeit of father Hyman Kurnitsky – **Naomi Cohen**
Beth El Temple – **Debbie & Ed Perkes**

IN HONOR OF

Bat mitzvah of Ellie Brooke Goldstein, daughter of Laurie & Seth, granddaughter of Fredda & Jon – **Ellen Blumberg**

Happy Hanukah – **Steven & Miriam Bleich, Emmy & Steve Fast**

Bar mitzvah of Isaac Asher Greenblatt, son of Nicole & Joshua, grandson of Zabelle & Arthur Krasow Greenblatt – **Evan, Noah & Luella Gamm**

IN MEMORY OF

Shirley Rosenfield, mother of Sandra Goldberg – **Nancy & Bob Goodman, Rachel & Mitchell Marcus, Elaine Smith**
Marc S. Levine, husband of Tammy – **Michele & Dane Kostin**

FOR THE YAHRZEIT OF

Edith & Joseph Barker, parents – **Michael Barker**
Toby Beckenstein, mother – **Julie Beckenstein**
Samuel Blitzer, father – **Roz-Lynn Beckenstein**
Max Berland, father – **Robert Berland**

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Stanislaw Cwklinski, Holocaust remembrance – **Stuart Bernstein**
Lee Bloom, mother-in-law – **Sandy Bloom**
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Harry Brody, father & grandfather; Ruthe Blecher, sister & aunt – **Shirley K. & David Brody & family**
Sadie Sternstein, mother – **Marilyn Bubbs**
Jack Cetel, father – **Alan Cetel**
Moshe Cohen, father – **Isaac Cohen**
Rita Helfand Cohen, wife; Abe Cohen, father; Hattie Helfand, mother-in-law; Esther Ogens, sister – **Sam Cohen**
Iwan Galmak, Holocaust remembrance – **Henry Cohn**

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H. Louis Mandell, father – **Harriet & Fred Dannhauser**

George Denes, husband; Lilly Eisler, mother – **Edith Denes**
Tessie Deutsch, mother – **Barry Deutsch**
Alice Philips – **Ellen Donshik**
Doris & Ralph Ferraro, parents – **Ronald Ferraro**

Stephen Friedman, brother – **Sandy & Marc Friedman**

I. Edward Friedman, father – **Matt Friedman**

Barbara & Cantor Gerhard Gluck, parents – **Susan Gluck**

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Maurice Greenberg, father – **Arnold Greenberg**

Samuel Halper, father – **Phyllis Grinspan**
Salomon Fischer, father – **Renee Holden**

Elsie Hutensky, mother – **Lois & Allan Hutensky**

Florence Jacobson, mother – **Nancy & John Jacobson**

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★ Supporting Beth El, cont.

FOR THE YAHRZEIT OF (cont.)

Arthur Goldschmidt, father – **Leah Katz**
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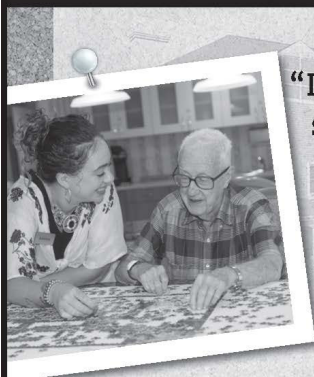
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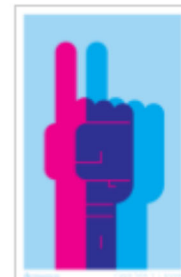
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