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Sept. - October 2019

Elul 5779 -
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★ SULAM Beth El - Seek. Understand. Learn. Act. Marvel.

Preparing for SULAM 5780

The SULAM administrative team worked actively over the summer months. We...

- ✧ created curricula
- ✧ enhanced technology
- ✧ recruited educators, paraprofessionals and teen madrichim to join our team
- ✧ developed family engagement and learning experiences

A little about me:

I chose education as my life's work because I am an idealist, believing that we bring positive changes to our world by reaching the children who will inherit it. When I am teaching, I harbor great optimism.



Last year I joined SULAM as an educator and felt right at home with the engaging, experiential, relevant learning that is the character of SULAM. The educator team is outstanding, each committed to nurturing our learners, and modeling *kavod* (respect) for the learners and the learning.

I live in Manchester, CT, moving there three years ago when my husband assumed the position of Rabbi at BSBI (the Conservative synagogue East of the River).

I look forward to getting to know our families and congregants as we partner to bring Jewish learning to the youngsters of Beth El Temple. It is an honor and a privilege to be a part of the team.

Michelle Konigsburg
Education Director, SULAM Beth El

SULAM Curriculum Night

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:00 PM

A chance for parents (no children, please) to meet our new director and hear more about our plans for this year.

Opening Day

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

See you at SULAM!

SULAM Hours

Grades 3-7

SUNDAYS, 9:00 – 11:30 AM & ONE WEEKDAY AFTERNOON
CHOOSE TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, 4:00 – 5:30
OR THURSDAY, 5:00 – 6:30

Grades K-2

SUNDAYS, 9:00 – 11:30 AM

PALS for preschoolers (up to age 5)
and their parents

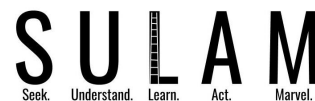
SUNDAYS, MONTHLY, 10:00 – 11:30 AM

See page 8 for specific dates.

SULAM Registration is LIVE on our website.

CONTACT: Michelle Konigsburg,
mkonigsburg@bethelwh.org.

Many SULAM educators enrolled in summer courses offered by Gratz College. These are high-level, intensive learning opportunities, available online for educators to access on their own schedule. Tuition is covered by special arrangement between Gratz College and Jewish Federations in cities across the U.S., including Hartford. Our SULAM learners are direct recipients of this excellent professional development offered to our educators.



SULAM learners will benefit from this educator learning and will be active and busy in the months ahead. Individually and collaboratively they will...

- ✧ expand their Hebrew prayer reading and chanting skills
- ✧ increase their knowledge of Torah and Bible, engaging with text and commentary
- ✧ explore Jewish customs, practices, and beliefs
- ✧ form relationships and learn the value of supporting one another

SULAM embraces Beth El Temple's mission: building community and deepening personal engagement. We are a community of learners, caring for one another, helping each other to grow, striving to become the best we can be.

★ Enjoying Beth El

Men's Club invites you to the annual
**Distinguished Service
Award Banquet**
Sunday, September 22
5:00 – 8:15 PM



Honorees: Marci and Jonathan Alter for their many years of devoted service to Beth El Temple, the Men's Club, and the Community.



Keynote Speaker: David Warren, new President and CEO, Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford

MC: Howard Weiner, President, Woodland Auto Body

COST: \$54/person; \$75/patron; \$100/sponsor
RSVP: by 9/12, using reply card in the invitation
QUESTIONS: Bruce Shein, 860-677-8300, bruceshein@comcast.net
DETAILS: invitation and ad/tribute information has been mailed to all Beth El members

Women's Network invites you to
Lunch and Book in the Sukkah
with author
Dani Shapiro

Wednesday, October 16
NOON – 1:30PM



Ms. Shapiro will discuss her new book, *Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love* in conversation with our member, and author, Marilyn Rothstein.

See page 10 for a book review in Library Corner.

COST: \$18/members of Women's Network;
\$25/non-members

REGISTER: by 9/7, tinyurl.com/BETShapiro

NOTE: it's not too late to join Beth El's Women's Network – dues are only \$36/year

Books may be purchased for \$20 from the Beth El office. Please support Women's Network and Torah Fund by purchasing your copy at Beth El.

This event is held in partnership with Aleph, a community-wide learning initiative, co-sponsored by the Mandell JCC and UCONN Judaic Studies. This year's theme is *Home and Exile*.

Pre-Season Violin and Piano Recital

PERFECT SCORES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 8PM

EAST WING, BETH EL TEMPLE, WEST HARTFORD

Beethoven • Webern • Schönberg • Bartók

Rolf Schulte, violin

James Winn, piano

Beth El
Temple
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COST: \$15/person
NOTE: not part of the 2019-20 BEMA Concert Series
INFORMATION: betheltemplemusic.com

★ From the Rabbis' Desks, x 2



Transitions

The possibilities of hopeful change are embedded into our collective Jewish lives. The very word for transition is *Ma-avar* from the word *Ivri* which means Hebrew. Ever since Abraham and Sarah, the first Hebrews, we have

been on the move to better, deeper, more spiritually aware selves.

And how wonderful it is to have an annual opportunity to pursue this growth. *Shanah* in Hebrew means not only year, it also means “change.” To enter into Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is to embark on a path of changing the errors and hurt, releasing the pain and regret, and finding new beginnings.

As always, my family joins you in hoping that these precious times of beginnings will be good and sweet for us all.

Even as we embrace the time of changes, we pause as a Congregational Family to note transitions of a different type. For 38 years, Rabbi Stanley Kessler served as the founding Rabbi at Beth El Temple. Sadly, we lost our beloved teacher this past June.

The image of Rabbi Kessler is firmly embedded in our minds: his straight posture, the moral courage, and hearty laugh were evident to us all.

His devotion to America, Israel, and civil rights was legend. Many students over the years would come to know Martin Luther King Day – the holiday. Rabbi Kessler knew King the man and marched with him.

And how he loved this congregation, its members, its potential, and its well-being. And he never tired in his efforts to support us all. We miss him deeply.

It is also our sad duty in the course of this year to bid farewell to Rabbi Ilana Garber. For 15 years she has served Beth El with remarkable skill and devotion as our Associate Rabbi. The driving creative force behind the SULAM Educational Program, she also pioneered programs in women’s spirituality through retreats and gatherings, conducted healing services, and served as a teacher and pastoral presence to us all. She helped us to welcome new members of all ages and to create many warm connections through programming and personal relationships.

We can only join in wishing her, along with husband Adam, and sons Noam and Yaron, the very best for the future. We look forward to honoring them soon.

In a few weeks we will gather as a Beth El family ~ veterans, new members, guests, and friends ~ for the transition to the New Year. Along with the farewells, let’s celebrate together the walk forward into the landscape of a better year for us all.

~ Rabbi Jim Rosen

My Dear Beth El Family,

I want to thank you for your many emails, calls, letters, and visits since my announcement that this will be my final year at Beth El. Adam and I are touched by your sweet memories and good wishes. You have been – and continue



to be – a nurturing and supportive spiritual community for us.

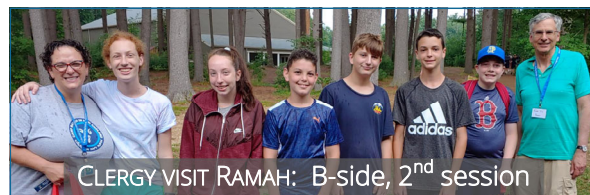
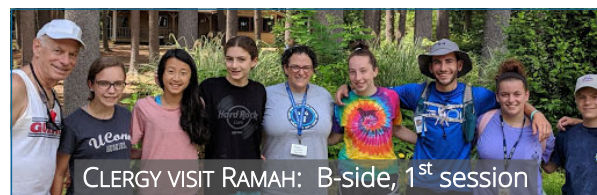
I promise we will keep you posted on our plans for the future. For now, I’m excited about the year we have planned. I hope you’ll join us as we cherish our Beth El community.

In addition, as of this printing, we are considering a Women’s Trip to Israel in March 2020. If you are interested in hearing more, please be in touch today!

I look forward to seeing you on the High Holidays. We’ve made changes this year to our Children’s Programming and to our Kessler Hall services, so please read the updates in the High Holiday section, pages 11-18.

L’shalom,
Rabbi Ilana C. Garber

CAMP RAMAH IN NEW ENGLAND:
We are fortunate to be so close to camp that our clergy can visit our campers and counselors for a day, or longer as a scholar-in-residence.



★ Reflections from the President



As your new President, I want you to know how humbled I am assuming this role. What an exciting time to be

President of such a wonderful congregation! Through my roles as a Board Member and Fundraising Chair and through various synagogue activities, I have gained insights and experiences and best of all, I have had the pleasure of getting to know so many of you personally.

Not only do we have superb spiritual leadership in Rabbis

Rosen, Garber, Sowalsky and Cantor Ness, we also have a very energized board of trustees, lay leaders, volunteers, and a fantastic administrative staff.

As we usher in the Jewish New Year of 5780, it is incumbent upon all of us to look ahead to the future to secure Beth El for the next generation and beyond. Although we begin Rosh Hashanah with celebration and dreams for the year ahead, we must stop and remember with fondness our Founding Rabbi Stanley M. Kessler z"l. This will be Beth El's first High Holidays without our beloved Rabbi. I hope you will take a

moment to reflect upon his legacy and the impact he had on Beth El.

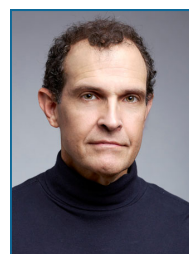
Please join me, along with First Vice President Steve Rabb and Second Vice President Sharon Neiberg, as we work together as a collaborative team to address our membership needs at Beth El. It has been my honor to have worked along side Jonathan Alter, our immediate Past President, who led us with such inspiration and passion.

Please feel free to connect with me anytime at my email address: president@bethelwh.org.

L'Shana Tovah!

~ Judy Rosenthal

★ Cantor's Corner - The Circle of the Year



Now that the summer is nearly over, and we turn our eyes to The High Holy Days and a new Jewish Year, it may be productive to think about how we have changed over the past year and how personal events may influence us to approach life from a fresh perspective.

Over the past days, weeks and months, some of us have had inspiring and profound learning experiences; some of us have been blessed with wonderful additions to our families, and some have felt deep loss. Some of us found new friends and/or partners, and there are those of us who have lost trust within an important relationship. Some of us have experienced a renewed sense of self-awareness and excitement about living, while others have been stressed and overwhelmed with challenges. Some of us

interesting to take a breath, think back, and meditate a bit on what is different now from one year ago.

Even more importantly, how can we proceed to infuse a greater awareness of meaningfulness into our lives, both for ourselves and for those we love?

All of this makes us human, alive and counted.

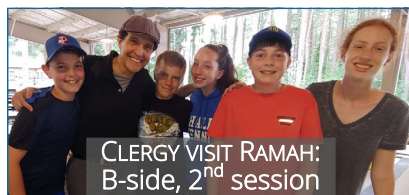
L'Shanah Tovah tikatevu v'tichateimu.

May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year.

~ Cantor Joseph Ness



CLERGY VISIT RAMAH:
A-side, 2nd session



CLERGY VISIT RAMAH:
B-side, 2nd session

have felt (and continue to feel) the vigor of life, while others are facing health concerns. I would think that most of us live with many of these emotions and experiences throughout the year.

With all this in mind, it might be

Adult Choir

OPEN TO: all members, post Bar/Bat Mitzvah
CONTACT: Cantor Ness, jness@bethelwh.org
REHEARSALS: evenings, varies by day before the High Holidays and concerts.

Do you sing? A few members have retired and more voices are needed before the High Holidays! Make a date for Cantor Ness to hear your vocal range.

Children's Choir

OPEN TO: all members in grades 3-7
CONTACT: Debbie, bema.wh@gmail.com
REHEARSALS: Sundays, 11:30 AM – 12:15 PM, when SULAM is in session

Our community is blessed with the beautiful voices of many children. And there is room for all of them in our choir. Please join us!

★ Worshipping Together - Shabbat

Fridays

Shabbat Under the Stars

SEPTEMBER 13

5:30 PM Family BBQ

6:30 PM Outdoor Service

RSVP: by 9/10 at noon,
tinyurl.com/BethElStars

COST/DINNER: \$12/adult; \$8/child (age 4-12);
no charge under age 4 & prospective
Members

Begin the year with this annual program.
Please let us know if you would like to
volunteer to set up, cook, greet, or shop.

Shababa

MONTHLY: SEPT 20, OCT 18

5:45 – 6:45 PM

QUESTIONS: Rabbi Garber,
igarber@bethelwh.org

SEPT. REGISTRATION: tinyurl.com/ShababaSept

OCT. REGISTRATION: tinyurl.com/ShababaOct

TARGET AGE: children 8 & younger (and
siblings, parents, and grandparents)

RSVP: not required, but are encouraged to
enable us to better plan for dinner.

A fun, engaging “service” for our youngest
generation. Experience the joy of Shabbat
with dancing, singing, stories, prayers, and
a free chicken nugget dinner.



Saturdays

Mazel Tots (birth – K, with parents)

WEEKLY

11:00 AM – NOON

LEADER: volunteer parents

Mazel Tots is the spot for kiddos on Shabbat mornings!
Parent volunteers lead songs, prayers and stories.



Shabbat Club (K-5, with parents)

WEEKLY

11:00 AM – NOON

LEADER: volunteer parents

Games, puzzles, and more, plus occasional programming
with our parent educators; in our redesigned Youth Lounge.



Birthday Aliyah (all ages)

MONTHLY: SEPTEMBER 7,
OCTOBER 5, NOVEMBER 2



On the first Shabbat of the month, we celebrate that month's
congregational birthdays with a special aliyah!

Learners' Service (adults)

SEPTEMBER 7

11:00 AM – NOON

NOTE: this is a class, not an actual service; all are welcome

Designed for adults who wish to explore elements of
Shabbat services with our rabbis as part of our commitment
to Lifelong Learning.

Family Service & Lunch (families)

OCTOBER 12, DECEMBER 14

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

NOTE: concludes with lunch and games

RSVP: by noon, of the preceding Thursday

tinyurl.com/FamilyOct

tinyurl.com/FamilyDec

SPONSOR: The Kest Family Fund, a named fund within The
Endowment Fund of Beth El Temple .

We come together as a “family” for a combined service,
bringing the best from *Mazel Tots*, *Shabbat Club*, and Beth
El's *Community You Can Believe In* to build our Shabbat
family community.

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 & Shabbat Club 11:00 AM

Mincha Service 12:30 PM

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

Daily Minyan

Shacharit 7:00 AM Mon–Fri
8:45 AM Sun

Ma'ariv 7:30 PM Sun–Thu

Note: Special Minyan Times

Monday, September 2 9:00 AM

Candle Lighting & Havdalah Times

Shabbat	Friday	Saturday	Shabbat	Friday	Saturday
Sep 6-7	6:58 PM	7:55 PM	Oct 4-5	6:10 PM	7:06 PM
Sep 13-14	6:46 PM	7:43 PM	Oct 11-12	5:58 PM	6:55 PM
Sep 20-21	6:34 PM	7:30 PM	Oct 18-19	5:47 PM	6:44 PM
Sep 27-28	6:22 PM	7:18 PM	Oct 25-26	5:37 PM	6:34 PM

★ Doing Mitzvot

Picture Perfect Premises (and pizza, too!)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 4:00 – 6:00 PM

CONTACT: Sheila or Alison (info below)

PIZZA: kosher lunch/dinner follows

NOTE: bring your gloves and tools, if you have them

Help us get our synagogue looking picture perfect for the new year – Rosh Hashanah! Come weed with us. No garden experience needed!



Ongoing 3-Season Opportunities (not Winter)

Plantings and Flower Beds

CONTACT: Sheila Fox, 860-828-3939,
Alison Demarest, alisonsupermom@comcast.net

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



A HUGE Thank You to our
Regular Volunteers

Sheila Fox ~ Alison Demarest
Robin Santiago ~ David Silver

Jessie's Garden

VOLUNTEERING/SCHEDULING: Betty Hoffman, 860-233-4853,
bhoffman3@comcast.net

This has been an excellent year for Jessie's Garden. The combination of testing and refreshing the soil, hot and rainy weather, and consistent watering and weeding by volunteers has produced a bumper crop for area food pantries, primarily the Anja Rosenberg Food Pantry at Jewish Family Services.



Volunteers have picked and delivered beans, tomatoes, cucumbers, onions, radishes, Swiss chard, and other greens. We are always looking for more volunteers to help with this worthwhile community project, which provides nutritious organic vegetables to those in need.

Both of these outdoor activities, Plantings & Flower Beds and Jessie's Garden, make great Bar and Bat Mitzvah projects. Volunteers are invited to come with friends, as a family, or as an individual.

Monthly Programs

KNITzvah Group

**SUNDAYS: SEPTEMBER 8, NOVEMBER 3,
DECEMBER 8**

10:00 – 11:30 AM

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

NOTE: not meeting in October



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.”

Loaves & Fishes Soup Kitchen

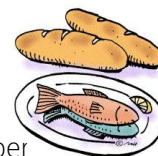
**FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH: OCTOBER 7,
NOVEMBER 4, DECEMBER 2**

10:00 AM – 12:45 PM

LOCATION: Immanuel Church,
Woodland St, Hartford

NOTE: not meeting in September

CONTACT: Ellen Solomon,
gingy81434@hotmail.com



Charter Oak Project

DATES TBA

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

We provide meals for low-income families in Hartford. No experience necessary.

The Anja Rosenberg Kosher Food Pantry

LOCATION: JFS of Greater Hartford,
333 Bloomfield Ave,

CONTACT: Susan Fried,
sfried@jfs Hartford.org



There is need within our community, all year long. Please consider donating food, hygiene products, and/or cleaning supplies. There is a collection bin by the Community Room.

Please see page 16 for information about our annual Yom Kippur Food Drive.

★ Making Connections

Family Fun

Back to Beth El Carnival & Community Celebration

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

NOTE: free and open to all

Prospective members encouraged to join us!



Please bring a can of tuna to donate to the Anja Rosenberg Kosher Food Pantry at Jewish Family Services.



Featuring... inflatables for all ages and a free bagel brunch! Celebrate our Beth El organizations.



Family Apple Picking

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

12:30 PM

LOCATION: Belltown Orchards, Glastonbury

COST: pay for what you pick
RSVP: tinyurl.com/BETApples

Join other Beth El families! Please let us know you'll be there so we can all pick together!



PreSchool PALS

Play And Learn @ Synagogue

Parents and Preschoolers (up to age 5)

SUNDAYS, MONTHLY:

SEPTEMBER 22	Rosh Hashanah
OCTOBER 20	Sukkot & Simchat Torah
DECEMBER 15	Chanukah

10:00 – 11:30 AM

QUESTIONS: Rabbi Garber, igarber@bethelwh.org

COST: no charge

RSVP: so we have enough supplies and snacks

Sept: tinyurl.com/RHPALS

Oct: tinyurl.com/SSTPALS

This holiday-focused exploration will enhance your family's celebrations and provide a "Taste of SULAM" with songs, stories, art, creative play, and more...



West Hartford
United Synagogue
Youth

Shabbat Through the Decades Series

6 FRIDAYS (dates to be determined)

LOCATIONS: TBA

COST: \$13/student/dinner,
(included with Premier membership)

Following last year's successful series Shabbat Around the World, this year, we prepare to celebrate six amazing decades with delicious food from the Crown Market and a variety of themes to make each a fun night.

Teens at Summerwood

DATES: TO BE DETERMINED

INFORMATION MEETING: TBA

LOCATION: Hoffman Summerwood,
160 Simsbury Rd, West Hartford

Interested in visiting Summerwood residents on a regular basis? This new, year-long program will connect pairs of teens with residents of the Hoffman Summerwood community. Visit with the same resident throughout the year and get to know them while bringing fun and excitement. This is a great opportunity for community involvement, social action, and more.

Jr. USY Wednesdays

MONTHLY (dates to be determined)

LOCATIONS: TBA

6-8 graders are invited to join once a month for fun, engaging programs – always with a side of social action and food.

Membership

\$25 Jr. USY

\$40 USY

\$90 USY Premier, includes Shabbat Series

ADVISORS: Jason Kay, whusy18@gmail.com;

Tamar Mor, whusyadvisor@gmail.com

JOIN: tinyurl.com/whusymembership

Men's Club

Minyan on the Mountain

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

9:00 – 11:00 AM

LOCATION: Avon

CARPOOLS: meet at either shul

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$5

RSVP: by 10/8, Dave Diamond,
860-965-3157, daviddiamond2@comcast.net
CO-SPONSOR: The Emanuel Synagogue Brotherhood



The entire community is invited to experience morning Minyan surrounded by breathtaking fall foliage; followed by a delicious breakfast.



Kickoff Breakfast Program

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

8:45 AM Minyan

9:15 AM Breakfast & Program

SPONSOR: Family of Stanley Wiesen, in his memory

To help sponsor a breakfast program:

MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION: \$36

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

Sushi & Sake & Steak in the Sukkah

9th Annual Sukkahfest

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

6:00 – 8:30 PM

COST: \$25

RSVP: by 10/11, Jacob Kovel,
860-651-9366, eaglewars@aol.com



It's a Mitzvah to eat in the Sukkah!
A local expert will discuss the various kosher sake we'll taste.

Walk Around the Reservoir

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

9:15 AM

LOCATION: Reservoir #6 on Route 44, meet in parking lot
CONTACT: Dave Klau, 860-651-8962,
daklau747@gmail.com

**MEN'S CLUB and WOMEN'S NETWORK
jointly present the return of**

Trivia Night

SATURDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 16

Watch for coming details!

Chai Society

Luncheon and Concert: *My Favorite Things*

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

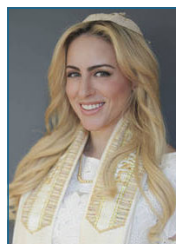
12:00 – 3:00 PM

COST: \$10, includes lunch

RSVP: Roz Rachlin, 860-233-4764,
jrachlin@sbcglobal.net;
Allan Geetter, 860-651-8022,
allan.geetter@gmail.com



Temple Beth Israel's Cantor Stephanie Kupfer (right) and organist/pianist Natasha Ulyanovsky (left) will perform a variety of songs from Broadway, the Yiddish Theater and Cantorial Favorites.



Veterans Day Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Healing Circle

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29

6:30 – 7:20 PM

QUESTIONS: Rabbi Garber, 860-233-9696,
igarber@bethelwh.org

RSVP: no charge, all are welcome, but please reply so the room can be set appropriately

A healing circle is a safe and sacred space for prayer, chanting, study, and sharing. Arrive a few minutes early so we can prepare our circle.

About the Cover's Artist

Ann D. Koffsky is the author and illustrator of more than 30 books, including three PJ Library selections. Her latest work, *Creation Colors* (layered and artful images for a lyrical retelling of the creation of the world), is available on Amazon.

She is an editor and art dir. at Behrman House Publishers and previously was an Adjunct Professor of art at Stern College for Women. Ann also creates monthly, free, Jewish coloring pages for children.

For more, visit: www.annkoffsky.com.

★ Lifelong Learning

2021 Bar/Bat Mitvah Meeting

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

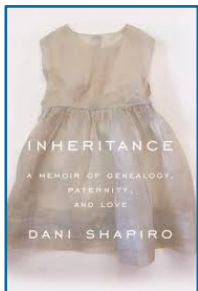
10:00 AM OR 6:30 PM

RSVP: Liz, edepalma@bethelwh.org

Parents are invited as we officially kick-off your journey to your child's Bar/Bat Mitzvah & Beyond!

Library Corner

Inheritance – Sukkot 2019 ☆ Roberta J. Buland



Author Dani Shapiro will join us at the Women's Network's Annual *Lunch and Book in the Sukkah* event to discuss her book, *Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love*. Please see page 3 for details about the event.

Dani Shapiro was raised an Orthodox Jew by a loving father and a somewhat distant mother. However, because Dani's hair was blonde and she had delicate features along with blue eyes, she often heard about herself: "There's no way you're Jewish." Or "Shapiro must be your married name." Now, at age 56, her tale begins at her Connecticut home. Her husband, curious about his own roots, has sent for a DNA kit that promises to tell the complete genetic history. He unwraps the containers and tells his wife to spit in one. Without much thought, she does. "I felt vaguely ridiculous and undignified," she writes. She had already written pages and pages of introspection and had become certain of who she was. In four memoirs she had documented a personal life full of dramatic twists. In them, she had divulged the tumult of her early adult years – her relationship with the stepfather of a close college friend, the car accident that killed her father and nearly destroyed her mother, and the rare illness that had threatened her young son's life. She shared the experiences of working her way through her troubles and building a life.

Inheritance is about secrets – secrets within families, kept out of shame or self-protectiveness; secrets kept from one another in the name of love. It is the story of a woman's urgent quest to unlock the story of her own identity.

Questions to think about when reading the book are: What do we inherit and why? What combination of memory, history, biology, experience, and that ineffable thing called the soul defines who one is? What is ancestry? What is identity? How would a person live with oneself if he/she finds out he/she is not who one thought one was? What makes a father a father? How is one shaped by family lore? How does nature conflict with nurture within a person?

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

Thank you to our Guest Summer Shabbat Darshanim

Darshanim means teacher or lecturer, and our community is blessed to have had members serve as guest *darshanim* on Shabbat mornings in July and August (and occasionally, other times of year). We enjoyed the many different ways each connected Torah to this year's theme of *Home*. And our rabbis appreciated the summer break!

Henry Cohn
Jason Kay
Bobby Klau
Avi Patt

Robin Santiago
Michael Schenker
Linda Stanger
Sebastian Wogenstein

Ongoing Weekly Adult Classes

New participants welcome!
No registration, no charge.

Writing Workshop

TUESDAYS

10:30 – NOON

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



Lunch & Learn

TUESDAYS, RESUMES 9/17

12:00 – 1:00 PM

BYOL: bring your own dairy lunch, optional



Talmud Study

WEDNESDAYS

10:15 – 11:15 AM

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



Bible & Breakfast

THURSDAYS

8:00 – 9:00 AM



Pirkei Avot Study

SATURDAYS, RESUMES 9/7

8:30 – 9:30 AM

No prior knowledge necessary.



★ High Holidays - Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Plus

We usually think of Rosh Hashanah (literally “head of the year”) as the beginning of the High Holiday season. Actually, the season kicks off with Selichot, a series of prayers where we *begin* to ask God for forgiveness. It can seem a bit confusing asking first for forgiveness during Selichot, then celebrating the New Year, and then asking for forgiveness again at Yom Kippur. Call it a second chance to change some things in our lives.

☆ In Biblical times, the new year started in the Spring month of Nisan, where we celebrate Passover, not in the fall month of Tishrei. It was around 200 C.E. that the rabbis “created” the holidays in the fall.

☆ Yom Kippur is considered the holiest day of the year. Like all Jewish holidays, it begins the night before. But unlike the others, it begins *before* sundown when we chant the very moving Kol Nidrei “all vows” prayer. Here – before the open ark and our community – we look into our hearts and ask God *and each other* for forgiveness. The theme of *asking for forgiveness* is repeated in many different forms throughout the holiday and culminates with the Neilah service, our last chance to atone before the “gates” are closed.

☆ For great info on the evolution of the fall holidays – and other noteworthy tidbits like how it became a two-day festival: www.haaretz.com/jewish/holidays/rosh-hashanah/

Community Selichot SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Area Conservative synagogues join together at Beth El to usher in the High Holidays with the very beautiful Selichot service. A special program and discussion with refreshments will precede the service.

Tashlich MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Gather together for a ceremony by the creek. Children will feel at home in the backyard for this brief service. Bring crumbs or bread to toss into the flowing water, symbolically casting off our sins as a community.



Shabbat Shuvah (Shabbat of Return) SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

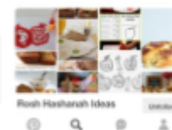
Between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, this very special Shabbat at Beth El is time for Rabbi Rosen’s annual report on life in “Lake Norden Badger.” Members and guests make it a point to attend this service – and the uniquely-themed lunch that follows.

Neilah WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

Before the “gates” are closed, we invite individuals and families with members of all faiths for a private moment at the ark.



We’re on Pinterest! Find ideas for holiday magic at your home on our Rosh Hashanah board! Search “Beth El Temple West Hartford” to find us!



- ☆ Before the holidays, invite someone – relative or friend – to help cook or bake a favorite holiday dish. It’s a great time to share stories of past holiday celebrations.
- ☆ Make a list of all the ways you have helped others this last year. Then make a list of new ways you can contribute to positive relationships this coming year.
- ☆ Judaism is about reaching out to the “stranger,” those not in our personal circle. Think about ways you can get to know someone who is not like you. The world becomes a more welcoming place when we spend time with people who are different from us.

★ High Holidays - Sukkot

The week-long holiday of *Sukkot* begins five days after *Yom Kippur* and is one of three harvest festivals (*Pesach* and *Shavuot* are the other two). The *sukkah* itself commemorates the huts or “booths” where our ancestors lived during their 40 years in the desert, post-exodus. It is by definition a flimsy structure, symbolizing the fragile nature of life and our dependence on God’s protection.

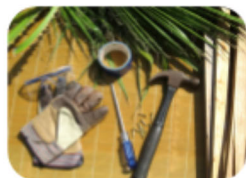
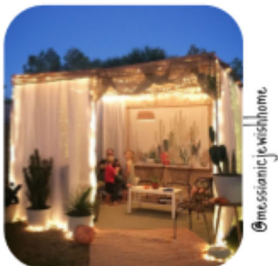


The *lulav* and *etrog* are symbols of Sukkot. The *arbah minim*, or Four Species, refer to the four species used – branches from the palm, willow, and myrtle trees, and the *etrog*, a citrus fruit

similar to a lemon. During the morning service each day of Sukkot (except Shabbat), the *lulav* and *etrog* are held together and waved in every direction symbolizing God's presence – the traditional north, south, east and west, plus up and down.



The *Sukkah* can be made out of a variety of materials but the roof must consist of natural materials which allow you to see the sky and the stars at night. Historically, it represents the farmers' huts that were built in the fields of ancient Israel during the Fall harvest, and the dwellings of the Israelites in the wilderness of the Exodus.



at home

With
Beth El

Sukkah Decorating

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

There's no SULAM, so everyone is invited for a Family Mitzvah Morning & Sukkah Decorating. 9:00 am.

Family Sukkah Hop

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

Enjoy the 1st day of Sukkot with Beth El Families and participate in the mitzvah of eating in the Sukkah. We will be hosted at various Sukkot around Beth El (kosher and within walking distance).

COST: free, open to all (but you must rsvp by noon, 10/10)

RSVP: tinyurl.com/BETSukkahHop

Women's Network Lunch & Book Discussion

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

See page 3 for information about this annual event.

Family Pizza in the Hut

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

It's a mitzvah to eat in the sukkah! Join us for pizza, songs, and lulav waving! Open to all, RSVP required.

COST: \$5/pizza-eater

RSVP: tinyurl.com/BETPizzaHUT

Men's Club Sukkahfest

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

See page 9 for information about this annual event.



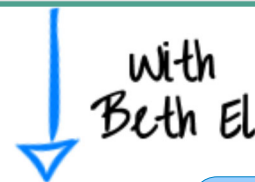
What's your #SukkahStyle?
Share yours with us on **Instagram**.
Use #BETSukkah and tag us — we're online at
[@beth.el.temple.wh!](https://www.instagram.com/beth.el.temple.wh/)

- ★ We “dwell” in the sukkah during the holiday, eating meals and, for the hearty, sleeping there as well.
- ★ The Internet has all the info you need to build, or buy, a sukkah.
- ★ Decorate your sukkah with paper chains, string lights, fabric garland, children's artwork – anything goes!

★ High Holidays - Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah

While the last day of Sukkot, *Hoshana Rabba*, is the “official” end of the High Holiday season, our celebrations continue with *Shemini Atzeret* (eighth day of assembly) and *Simchat Torah* (rejoicing in Torah). Israel – and some in the U.S. – combine *Shemini Atzeret* and *Simchat Torah* into a single celebration, but we keep the happiness going for two days.

- ★ A highlight of *Shemini Atzeret* is the beautiful prayer for rain, a winter essential in Israel’s desert climate. We also recite Yizkor, our communal memorial prayer.
- ★ On *Simchat Torah*, *Hakafot* involve seven circuits around the sanctuary where we carry all of our Torah scrolls. During this joyful custom each *hakafah* is accompanied by singing and dancing. The Torah procession is usually followed by children waving flags or carrying toy scrolls.
- ★ During *Simchat Torah*, we read both the end and the beginning of the Torah. We unroll an entire Torah and will help you find your Bar or Bat Mitzvah portion.
- ★ Three members are honored with special *Aliyot* for their long-time contributions to synagogue life. The honorees are called *Kallah* (bride) or *Chatan* (bridegroom) of the Torah and are brought to the bima under a chuppa, signifying the “wedding-like” atmosphere of the moment, with special blessings recited over each honoree.
- ★ For the first special *Aliyah*, we read the last section of the Torah, when Moses passes away. The second goes back to the beginning with the story of Creation and the establishment of Shabbat. The third is a portion that precedes the Haftarah reading for the day – the first chapter of Joshua, which is the book that immediately follows the Five Books of the Torah.



Simchat Torah LIVE!

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

The evening will begin with a free dinner for all and end with Festival Ma’ariv. In between there will be *Hakafot* (see explanation to left) with the Shabbat LIVE! Band, the annual Grade 1 Torah ceremony, and Drinks & Dessert sponsored by the Men’s Club. Everyone will be called to the Torah for an *Aliyah*.

COST: free, open to all (while food lasts, kindly register so we can plan for the crowd)

RSVP: tinyurl.com/SimchatDinner

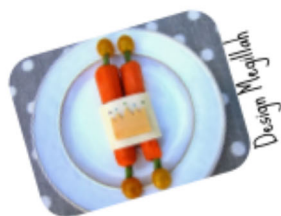
Simchat Torah Morning

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Hakafot and *Aliyot* for all continue and a New Baby Blessing will be offered for children born since last Rosh Hashanah. This year’s honorees (see explanation to left) are:

Chatan Torah
Chatan Beresheet
Chatan Maftir

Avi Patt
Jason Kay
Alan Tuvin



Looking for a tasty way to enjoy Simchat Torah? Design Megillah has some delicious (and healthy) ideas to create edible scrolls. You can also opt for pretzels, fruit roll-ups, or even smarties for a sweet treat.



- ★ On Shemini Atzeret, we say good-bye to the fall holidays with an afternoon snack or dinner in the *Sukkah* where we ask God to return us in good health to the *Sukkah* again next year.
- ★ PJ Library has many suggestions for celebrating Simchat Torah. Google: “PJ Library Simchat Torah.”

★ High Holidays - Service Schedules

Tickets: Please present your tickets for entry on Rosh Hashanah-Day 1, Kol Nidrei, and Yom Kippur morning (see page 17 for ticket policies).

Community Selichot **SATURDAY, SEPT 21**
 8:30 PM Program and Refreshments
 9:30 PM Service
 LOCATION: this year at Beth El!

Rosh Hashanah, Erev **SUNDAY, SEPT 29**
 6:00 PM Mincha & Festival Ma'ariv

Rosh Hashanah, Day 1 **MONDAY, SEPT 30**
 8:00 AM – 12:15 PM Sanctuary Service
 8:30 AM – 12:45 PM Chapel Service
 10:00 AM – 12:15 PM Kessler Hall Service
 10:30 AM – 12:15 PM Children's Programs

Apples & Honey: Socialize after services on both days of Rosh Hashanah.
 SPONSOR: Men's Club



5:00 PM Tashlich Ceremony
 LOCATION: 25 Huntington Drive, West Hartford
 6:00 PM Festival Mincha & Ma'ariv

Rosh Hashanah, Day 2 **TUESDAY, OCT 1**
 8:00 AM – 12:15 PM Sanctuary Service
 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Family Service
 6:30 PM Festival Mincha, Ma'ariv & Havdalah

Shofar: On both days of Rosh Hashanah, the Shofar will be sounded in all morning services and programs.



Shabbat Shuvah **SATURDAY, OCT 5**
 9:30 AM Lake Norden Badger Shabbat
 Rabbi Rosen's Annual Tribute to Small Town Midwest Jewish Communities
 12:00 PM Congregational Lunch
 12:30 PM Mincha

Cemetery Service AND **SUNDAY, OCT 6**
Dedication of Holocaust Sculpture
 12:30 PM Service & Dedication
 LOCATION: Beth El Cemetery, Jackson Street, Avon

Yom Kippur, Kol Nidrei **TUESDAY, OCT 8**
 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM Sanctuary Service
 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM Chapel Service

Yom Kippur, Day **WEDNESDAY, OCT 9**
 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM Sanctuary Service
 8:30 AM – 1:15 PM Chapel Service
 10:00 AM – 12:15 PM Kessler Hall Family Service
 10:30 AM – 12:15 PM Children's Programs

Yizkor: Will be recited in all 3 morning services; in the Sanctuary and Chapel at the discretion of the Rabbis (after 10:30 AM), and in Kessler Hall around 12:15 PM.

4:15 PM Mincha
 5:30 PM Neilah
 7:00 PM Havdalah & Final Shofar Blast

Neilah: Grab a nosh on your way to Break Fast.
 SPONSOR: Women's Network



Sukkot, Erev **SUNDAY, OCT 13**
 6:00 PM Mincha & Festival Ma'ariv

Sukkot, Day 1 **MONDAY, OCT 14**
 9:30 AM Festival Shacharit
 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM Sukkah Hop
 6:00 PM Festival Mincha & Ma'ariv

Sukkot, Day 2 **TUESDAY, OCT 15**
 9:30 AM Festival Shacharit
 7:30 PM Festival Mincha, Ma'ariv & Havdalah

Shemini Atzeret, Erev **SUNDAY, OCT 20**
 8:45 AM Hoshanah Rabbah
 6:00 PM Mincha & Festival Ma'ariv

Shemini Atzeret, Day **MONDAY, OCT 21**
 9:30 AM Festival Shacharit (Yizkor 11 AM)
 12:30 PM Festival Mincha

Simchat Torah, Erev **MONDAY, OCT 21**
 5:00 PM Dinner
 6:00 PM Simchat Torah LIVE!
 7:30 PM Festival Ma'ariv

Simchat Torah, Day **TUESDAY, OCT 22**
 9:30 AM Festival Shacharit
 12:00 PM Congregational Lunch
 7:30 PM Festival Mincha, Ma'ariv & Havdalah

★ High Holidays - Multi-Service Distinctions

Rosh Hashanah - Day 1 MON, 9/30

AND
Yom Kippur - Day WED, 10/9

You have a CHOICE of 3 services!

All **THREE** services include:

- ✧ The sounding of the *Shofar*.
- ✧ Our teens chant some *Torah* portions. The portion is theirs from bar/bat mitzvah until they go to college.
- ✧ Congregants are honored with *aliyot*.
- ✧ **YIZKOR** is recited on Yom Kippur.
- ✧ At all services, seating is first-come, first-served. Children are welcome and invited to all services and are asked to maintain decorum.

Unique service highlights:

- ✧ Sanctuary Services: traditional service led by Rabbi Rosen and Cantor Ness and accompanied by our choir and organ.
- ✧ Chapel Services: traditional service led by congregants Jason Kay and Susan Gold, without an organ or choir.
- ✧ Kessler Hall Services: family service led by Rabbi Garber and Rabbi Sowalsky. Yom Kippur Services will end with an abbreviated *Yizkor* Service.
- ✧ Children's Programs: see page 16.

Rosh Hashanah - Day 2

TUE, 10/1

We are open to the community!

- ✧ Sanctuary Service: Traditional service led by Rabbi Rosen and Cantor Ness; the congregation is encouraged to sing along with the choir. It is the only "regular" service this day and the organ is not played.
- ✧ Family Service: Children and adults of all ages are invited to Kessler Hall for this interactive service with Rabbi Garber and Rabbi Sowalsky. Additional program information is on page 16.
- ✧ There are no separate children's programs on this day.

Yom Kippur - Kol Nidrei
(Opening evening service)

TUE, 10/8

- ✧ Sanctuary Service: led by Rabbi Rosen and Cantor Ness, is accompanied by our choir and organ.
- ✧ Chapel Service: led by Rabbi Garber and Susan Gold, is a participatory and intimate service.
- ✧ Both are complete services; our Torahs will be carried in procession.

Yom Kippur - Neilah
(Concluding evening prayers)

WED, 10/9

- ✧ Sanctuary Service: as the symbolic Gates of Heaven are closing, we encourage all who wish to come up to the open Ark for personal moments of reflection and prayer.
- ✧ *Non-Jewish family members are invited to come before the Ark with their families.*

★ High Holidays - Candle Lighting & Havdalah

	Candle Lighting			Havdalah		
Rosh Hashanah	SUN.	9/29	6:18 PM	TUES.	10/1	7:13 PM
	MON.	9/30	7:17 PM			
Yom Kippur	TUES.	10/8	6:03 PM	WED.	10/9	6:59 PM
		Light <i>Yizkor</i> candle first		Also, time to end your fast		
Sukkot	SUN.	10/13	5:55 PM	TUES.	10/15	6:50 PM
	MON.	10/14	6:51 PM			
Shemini Atzeret	SUN.	10/20	5:44 PM			
		Light <i>Yizkor</i> candle first				
Simchat Torah	MON.	10/21	6:403 PM	TUES.	10/22	6:39 PM

Candle lighting is generally done 20 minutes prior to actual sunset.

When there are two consecutive days of holidays, candle lighting for the 2nd day is 40 minutes after sunset.



Jewish holidays end with Havdalah, 40 minutes after sunset.

★ High Holidays - Everything Kids

Rosh Hashanah - Day 1
Yom Kippur - Day

AND
MON, 9/30
WED, 10/9
10:30 AM - 12:15 PM

AGES 3-8 Activities
GRADES 4-6 Service

- ✧ Concludes with songs and snacks.
- ✧ Suggested ages; kids can go to either.
- ✧ Parents are welcome at both programs.
- ✧ Please encourage your children to participate in our children's programming or to join one of our main services where they are warmly welcomed.

GRADES 7-12 Keney Park

- ✧ Teen hangout with guest educators

In a nod to the past, and with a fist bump toward the future, we invite our teens to our own version of Hartford's Keney Park, where our grandparents used to hang out during the holidays when they were teens.

Rosh Hashanah - Day 2

TUE, 10/1

ALL AGES

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

- ✧ **Family Service in Kessler Hall:** led by Rabbis Garber and Sowalsky, a "highlights" service meant for all ages. Celebrate the birthday of the world Beth El style! Bring your own shofar to guarantee we're all awake.
- ✧ Parents are required to be with their children.
- ✧ There are no separate Children's Programs on this day.

Yom Kippur - Evenings

Kol Nidrei

(Opening Service)

TUE, 10/8

6:00 PM

- ✧ All ages are welcome at both the *Sanctuary* and *Chapel* Services.

Neilah

(Conclusion)

WED, 10/9

5:30 PM

- ✧ All ages are welcome at our *Sanctuary* Service.
- ✧ Children are invited to help lead Havdalah
- ✧ Families (all ages, non-denominational) are invited to come up to the open ark for a personal moment.

NOTE: see page 11 for more information

Children's Playroom & Youth Lounge

Sukkot

MON & TUE, OCT 14-15

Shemini Atzeret

MONDAY, OCT 21

Simchat Torah

TUESDAY, OCT 22

9:30 AM - NOON

On these holidays without specific children's or family programming, our regular Shabbat playroom will be available should your energetic child need some space.

NOTE: parents must supervise their children

Quiet Space

ALL DAYS

The library will be designated as an unsupervised quiet space. There will be a partition for nursing.

★ High Holidays Mitzvah

Annual Kol Nidrei Food Drive for Anja Rosenberg
Kosher Food Pantry at Jewish Family Services (JFS)

JFS serves families facing financial setbacks, isolated elderly, and disabled adults living on small incomes. Please help make a difference in their lives!

For your convenience, paper bags will be located by the front door on Rosh Hashanah. Please drop off your filled bags, in the Community Room, **anytime between Rosh Hashanah and Kol Nidrei evening**, Tuesday, October 8.

The Food Pantry prefers food items that have a hechsher symbol indicating that the item is kosher.



Please do not bring Passover or expired items.

THANK YOU! in advance for your support of this important Mitzvah.



Requested items

- Non-perishable food
- Bathroom/Kitchen cleaning supplies
- Paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, napkins
- Toiletries
- Hand cream & body lotion
- Diapers
- Depends

Sorting Food Drive Donations

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

9:00 AM

Help sort all those bags of donated items before they are delivered to the Food Pantry.



★ High Holidays - Inclusivity (and all year-round!)

Inclusiveness is one of our core values at Beth El. We strive to make sure those with special needs or disabilities can participate in all that we offer. You'll find hearing devices by both the sanctuary and chapel entrances and an elevator is available near the library.

There is an all-genders bathroom around the corner from the coat room and we welcome LGBTQ and interfaith individuals and families.

Because many of our congregants suffer from fragrance sensitivities and allergies, which can cause

significant health issues, we ask you to avoid wearing any scented products; not only perfumes, but aftershave and scented soaps.

We say that we are *Community You Can Believe In*, and we mean it!

★ High Holiday Ticket Policy

Tickets are required for entry on:

Rosh Hashanah - Day 1	MON, 9/30
Yom Kippur - Kol Nidrei	TUE, 10/8
Yom Kippur - Day	WED, 10/9

- ✧ Each person, 18 and over, must have his/her own ticket, with his/her name on it.
- ✧ Tickets are complimentary for all young adults, ages 18-24.
- ✧ Tickets are not required for any child under 18 years of age.

Members of Beth El Temple

✧ High Holiday tickets will be mailed to members in good standing^o in mid-September. After 9/20, they should be picked up in the office or at the "will call" table on the day of the service.

- ✧ Your adult children, ages 18-24, will automatically be issued tickets.
- ✧ Your adult children, ages 25-29, if not members on their own, may purchase tickets at a reduced rate.

Rosh Hashanah - Day 1	\$75
Kol Nidrei & Yom Kippur	\$75
Both Holidays	\$150

Welcoming the Greater Hartford Jewish Community

- ✧ We are pleased to open the following services to the Greater Hartford Community. Tickets are not required for

Rosh Hashanah - Both Evenings and Day 2
Yom Kippur - Mincha and Neilah
Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret, and Simchat Torah

Guests

- ✧ Members may purchase tickets for relatives and friends, ages 25 and up, who live outside Hartford County.

Rosh Hashanah - Day 1	\$150
Kol Nidrei & Yom Kippur	\$150
Both Holidays	\$250

- ✧ A completed guest form is required in order to receive your Guest Tickets. The form is posted on our website and is available from the office.
- ✧ **Young Adults:** for ALL guests ages 18-24, tickets are complimentary.
- ✧ **Local college students and active military personnel over 24:** simply show your ID.

Reciprocal Tickets

- ✧ We participate in the reciprocal ticket program where members in good standing^o at any synagogue receive complimentary tickets to another synagogue.

For your guests:

- ✧ Please have them ask their synagogue to e-mail/fax a *Reciprocal Ticket Request Form/Letter* to Beth El.
- ✧ It must include the names of both our member and the guest, and which day(s) they will be joining us.

If YOU are traveling:

- ✧ If **YOU** are spending any part of the holiday at another synagogue that requires tickets, please call our office to have a *Reciprocal Ticket Request Form* sent on your behalf.

NOTE: All Guest and Reciprocal tickets may be picked up in the Beth El office.

^o *Members in good standing have paid their dues in full, or have returned their completed membership form with their first payment.*

★ High Holidays “Fine Print” (Guidelines)

Security & Safety

- ✧ Please enter the building through the Community Room **with your ticket** (or student or military ID).
- ✧ We reserve the right to inspect all packages.
- ✧ For the safety of all, do **not prop open** external doors.
- ✧ Due to fire regulations, strollers and walkers are not permitted in the Sanctuary or Chapel. Ushers will show you the designated parking area. *As many look alike, please attach a label or identifying ribbon.*
- ✧ Be aware of all building exits, in case of emergency.

Ushers

- ✧ Ushers will be wearing identifying badges and will be available to answer questions and help find empty seats.
- ✧ They will close ALL doors during sermons, for other speakers, and when the Ark is open. Please do not enter or leave any service during the sermon or when the Ark is open.
- ✧ Please be respectful of all usher directions.

TO VOLUNTEER: If you would like to serve as an usher, please contact, by 9/16:

Sharon Levine-Shein, 860-205-9650
Steve Rabb, 860-231-1339

Decorum

- ✧ Please maintain the sanctity of services by limiting conversation and dressing modestly.
- ✧ To reduce noise and distraction, the main doors to the Sanctuary and Kessler Hall will be kept closed. Expect to enter and leave services from a side door. Those with walkers may be excepted.
- ✧ Please do not congregate in bathrooms. Parents, please suggest to your children that they choose a service to attend.
- ✧ During certain portions of the service, you will be asked to wait before entering into the Sanctuary, Kessler Hall, or the Chapel. Please also limit leaving at those times.
- ✧ **To preserve the sanctity of the holiday, TURN OFF all electronic devices, including cell phones, prior to entering the building. Please leave iPods, cameras, etc., at home.**
- ✧ The Community Room (right side) will be set up as a chill/calm-down place for any age. Parents are asked to supervise their children; the room will not be staffed.

Seating

- ✧ At all services, seating is first-come, first-served. Saving seats during the High Holidays is NOT permitted.
- ✧ If you want to ensure that your family sits together, please all arrive early.
- ✧ Children are welcome, invited, and entitled to seats in any service of their choice.
- ✧ Should adults or children need a short break from the service, they should expect to find their seats available upon their return. At least one member of their family should remain with the seats.

Special Seat Requests for any service

- ✧ Seats may be reserved in advance only for persons with disabilities or who may require the assistance of support equipment (e.g. walkers, wheelchairs). If necessary, one additional seat may be saved for a companion to remain with that person during the service.
- ✧ These seats will be held until 10:30 AM, after which they will be released.
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In addition to 500 medicycles, a fleet of electric bikes was added to the MDA in 2017. In the same year the MDA trained

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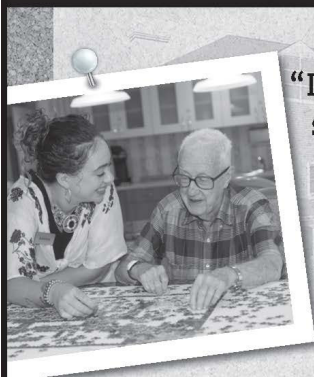
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