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Please use the following protocol in the event of an emergency or if you lose a loved one:
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RABBI'S MESSAGE

RABBI MARK DAVID FINKEL

Time to Turn the Page

It's January! We're finally here! That, in itself, is worthy of saying the blessing of *Sheh-Heh-Heh-Yanoo*. We have been waiting for this month for the past nine months.

The secular tradition is that we make New Year's resolutions. The problem, however, is that the popular literature tells us that most New Year's resolutions go unfulfilled. We can read all sorts of articles (short, medium, or long), and the answer is: we show very little follow through, because once we get into the month of January, our lives, once again, pull us in a variety of directions and so, there is little incentive and little support along the road to keep those resolutions.

Fortunately, our Jewish tradition is filled with markers and reminders, possibly because when traveling a 5,000-year-old journey, Jewish tradition knew that we are bound to become forgetful now and then. Whether it is because we regularly pass in front of the words of the *Shema* (in the *mezuzah*) whenever we enter a doorway, or that we carry the responsibility of bearing 613 *mitzvot* in this world, commandments (many of which we "forget" to disclose) often contain repeats (once in a positive statement and once in a negative statement), knowing we all have moments of optimism and pessimism. Or it is in the nature of a good Jewish parent to regularly remind us to do what is right.

January is filled with many Jewish reminders to fulfill our New Year's resolutions, not the ones that we made on January 1st, but the ones that we made months earlier during the Jewish High Holy Days. Jewish tradition knew that during the winter it is easy to forget what we had resolved to do even a few months earlier.

So what are these markers that remind us to fulfill our resolutions? On January 9th we start reading from the Torah: the book of Exodus. Although it starts off gloomy, by January 23rd we read of the exodus from Egypt; and on the following week, January 30th, we read of the Israelites crossing of the Sea of Reeds (Red Sea). Then on the first *Shabbat* in February, we read of the receiving of the 10 commandments. That is a lot of turf to cover in a few short weeks, but the message is: "Life is short. Don't let the cold and the snow of winter get you down to the point where you are bogged down."

Some might say that these markers along the path are obviously important because they are connected to the Torah. However, everyone knows that everything important in Judaism is marked by food, so where is the food? On January 28th we mark *Tu b'Shevat* (the full moon during the Hebrew month of *Shevat*). Just in case you have lost track of your resolutions made at the Jewish new year because it has now been four months gone in the rearview mirror, Judaism says, "Let's declare another new year: this one, a new year for trees." So, in the middle of the winter, we celebrate a new year for trees by eating all types of fruits: those with the peel that you can eat and those with a peel that you discard; fruits with seeds that you spit out and fruit with seeds that you eat. We celebrate with wine made from white grapes and wine made from red grapes, and even mix combinations of those two wines. We also celebrate with almonds because this is the time of year in Israel when we see the flowering of the almond trees, as well as with carob beans because they were tied in with certain miracles in the days of the prophets and other miracles in the days of the rabbis of the Talmud.

This *Tu b'Shevat*, Israel will have a great deal to celebrate. They are vaccinating 150,000 citizens a day against Covid-19. They are, by far, the per capita leader of the world, which means that by *Tu b'Shevat*, they will have vaccinated 57% of its citizens and since 28% of Israel's population is under 15 years old, they will be close to vaccinating all of their adult citizens. So, if the reading of the Torah and the celebration of *Tu b'Shevat* doesn't inspire us to move forward with our lives, perhaps Israel's miraculously aggressive vaccination program will not only inspire us, but all the nations of the world that it is time to finally do what we need to do to turn the page and go forward in 2021.

Rabbi Finkel

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

EVAN ZUCKERMAN

President

First, I want to wish all of you a Happy and Healthy 2021. May the new year bring us peace, happiness, good health, and a return to the things that we all miss so much. On January 9th my family was supposed to board a plane to Florida for the birthday celebration of my grandfather who turns 100 on January 11th. The party was going to bring together all four of his children, his nine grandchildren, and his fifteen great-grandchildren. It would have been a celebration for the ages! Unfortunately, COVID will limit the celebration to Zoom, which we are all so used to these days. My grandfather has lived through a lot of history, including seeing 18 presidents be inaugurated, the age of aviation, the civil rights movement, the landing of a man on the moon, and of course much more. He has also made a century worth of new year's resolutions and wishes for the new year.

While we mark the Jewish new year spiritually during the High Holy days in the fall, we all know that it is traditional to mark the new Gregorian year with some resolutions. I could not help but think about what I hope for in the coming year for my family and me, for our country, for our community, and of course, for our synagogue. These are hopes and wishes for the new year. My resolution is to continue to have strength and positivity for myself and those around me through this pandemic. I have jotted a few of my wishes down (not in any order of significance):

- The New York Islanders raise the Stanley Cup this June
- The Covid vaccines are successfully rolled out for all Americans and throughout the world
- The Covid virus is either eradicated or managed effectively worldwide
- We return to the synagogue for services, school, programs, and events without any restrictions or worries
- We can see our families and friends without the fear of anyone getting sick
- The construction of the Congregation Beth Shalom kitchen is completed so we can enjoy many beautiful events in our synagogue with delicious food
- We are able to comfort our family and friends in-person during times of loss and heartache
- We are able to celebrate with our family and friends in-person during mitzvahs and times of joy
- Did I say seeing the New York Islanders win the Stanley Cup?
- The restoration of kindness and common sense in our political system so our fractured country somehow comes together for our common good
- An abundance of congregants willing to "step up" and join leadership to ensure the continued success of PBJC
- The overall health and safety of all our families, friends, and fellow congregants
- The recovery of our economy and the financial success and stability of all the small businesses in our community and people everywhere
- Finally, did I mention the New York Islanders winning the Stanley cup?

We all hope that our new year's wishes and resolutions come to fruition. Of course it is also time to start planning for the 2021-2022 leadership of the synagogue. I have thus asked Barry Marks to chair the nominating committee. The committee is charged with ensuring the continuity of strong leadership for the synagogue. The committee may reach out to you to ask you to serve in some capacity - on the *Chevra* Board or even on the Executive Board. I encourage all of you who want to take part in leadership to contact Barry or me to express your interest. If the committee asks you to serve, please accept! I assure you that you will be happy if you do. Serving PBJC as president has been an extremely rewarding experience and I never have regretted one moment of my decision. Please think about getting involved and helping PBJC succeed for years to come.

Once again, Happy Gregorian New Year to you and your entire family. Stay safe, stay well, and stay strong.

Evan

NURSERY SCHOOL

LISA LERMAN and JILL BUCKLER

Nursery School Co-Directors

Happy New Year from PBJC Nursery School!

December was a whirlwind of activities as we celebrated Hanukkah. This year we had a very special holiday observance. We joined together in Scheinman Hall with Rabbi Finkel and Cantor Toren to welcome Shabbat and Hanukkah at the same time. The children proudly sang a medley of Hanukkah and Shabbat favorites along with some very adoring fans (better known as beaming moms, dads, grandparents, caregivers, as well as many others!) We concluded our meaningful morning with the lighting of the menorah, as well as sharing some homemade treats at our very own mini Kiddush!

In a few short weeks, registration for the 2021- 2022 school year will be open. We will continue to offer our core classes for our Intro, 2's, 3's and Pre-K as they currently exist. Additionally, parents who require longer hours can take advantage of the Giggle Zone to cover the hours that our core classes are not in session. The Giggle Zone is available from 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. for children ages 18 months to Pre - K. We continually strive to enhance our dynamic, highly regarded nursery programs which are open to children of all faiths. Help us spread the word and share this information with your friends, neighbors, and co-workers.

Planning for PBJC Day Camp is in full swing! We will soon be accepting applications for Summer 2021, for children ages 18 months to 5 years old. At PBJC Day Camp we offer an 8 week program highlighted by fabulous weekly themes and programming that includes water play, arts and crafts, music, games, sports, special events and much more!

Be sure to regularly check the PBJC website and like our Facebook page. We share all sorts of information, updates, and photos.

As always, our door is open to anyone who would like more information about any of our nursery programs.

Warm Regards,
Lisa Lerman and Jill Buckler
Nursery School Co - Directors

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

MARY SHEYDWASSER

Educational Director

2020 came to a close with lots of *ruach* and energy at our Religious School. Mainstage Productions put on a wonderful virtual Hanukkah program engaging and interacting with our students, while our Primary students had their own holiday experience led by Morah Michelle and Morah Lisa. I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge our two madrichim, Hannah Schneiderman and Emma Zwickel, who assist our teachers every Sunday morning via Zoom.

Our B'Yachad students had the opportunity to come together and play "**Who Wants to Be a Jewish Millionaire**". No one walked away with a million dollars from their computers, but the winners did receive an Amazon gift card! The amount will be disclosed at a later date! We are blessed to have these young adults as part of our PBJC community, and I am hoping that our seniors will have fond and unforgettable memories of PBJC once they leave for university.

Kitah Dalet students are working tirelessly preparing for their Kabbalat Shabbat / Ma'Ariv service scheduled for Friday, January 8th. Please join us and "shep nachus" from these children. They are our future!

The month of January is filled with exciting programs. We are going to be honoring our Kitah Bet students on **Sunday, January 10th**. Unfortunately, we couldn't have their siddur presentation in the spring, but we will certainly give them the *kavod* they deserve with the magic of technology. Rabbi Finkel will be teaching the importance of "laying tefillin" to our dalet students and our primary families will be having a virtual Tu B'Shevat Seder. We will be continuing the tradition of a *Kehilla*, (community) with our Kitah Gimel parents and students as they come together to learn about Shabbat and the meaning of the Kiddush. Each family will be making a Kiddush cup, an heirloom that can be passed on to future generations. More importantly, they will collectively learn more about one another and share past family experiences

I would like to underscore the importance and relevance that our Junior Congregation services have in providing the students with a comprehensive religious education. Students of all levels participate in an abbreviated service including the week's reading of the Torah which not only affords them the opportunity to apply the skills they have learned in the classroom, but also allows them to experience the structure of the service. With practice, they learn the format of the prayers and should feel at ease when they make the transition to the sanctuary for their Bar or Bat Mitzvah. Please encourage your child to attend! We have had good attendance so far and have found the Zoom services to be successful.

Wishing you all a very healthy and happy 2021!

B'Shalom,
Mary Sheydwasser

ELIOT SAKOLSKY AARON MELZER SCHOLARSHIP

Arlene and David Sakolsky, along with their three sons, Eliot, Harvey, and Bill, were pillars of the Jewish community. Eliot was the United Synagogue Youth (USY) leader at Congregation Beth Shalom in Pompton Lakes. He passed away at the age of thirty-one.

A scholarship fund was established by Congregation Beth Shalom in Eliot's memory. The goal of the fund is to provide financial aid to youth participating in Jewish activities, such as Kadima, USY, Camp Ramah, Israel trips, and other Jewish educational activities.

Congregation Beth Shalom has transferred the fund to Pine Brook Jewish Center, where it will continue to perpetuate Eliot's memory. May his memory be a blessing to your youth.

Eliot's brothers, Harvey and Bill, are current members of Pine Brook Jewish Center. Upon learning of the sudden and tragic loss of Aaron Melzer, a Pine Brook Jewish Center Religious School student, Congregation Beth Shalom honored the Melzer family by rededicating the fund as the Eliot Sakolsky Aaron Melzer Scholarship Fund.

Aaron is the son of Margo and Jason Melzer, and the older brother of triplets, Anna, Brielle, and Brian. Aaron was a Religious School Student at Pine Brook Jewish Center, beginning at the age of two in its Nursery School. Aaron was a kind, loving, thoughtful and empathetic young man who was looking forward to his Bar Mitzvah. It was Aaron's dream to travel to Israel, but he never did, as a result of his sudden passing at the age of eleven. The Melzer family shares the Sakolsky family's mission to offer financial assistance to Religious School students so that they can further their Jewish studies at home and abroad.

In memory of Eliot Sakolsky and Aaron Melzer, this fund will continue to financially assist Jewish youth to obtain a meaningful Jewish education and to fulfill their own individual dreams. Please note that recipients of this scholarship must be members of Pine Brook Jewish Center and students in high school or college. All decisions related to this fund will be governed by the Eliot Sakolsky Aaron Melzer Scholarship Fund Committee.

Please contact the Eliot Sakolsky Aaron Melzer Scholarship Fund Committee chairperson, Beverly Berkowitz, at sakolsky-melzer-scholarship@pbjc.org with any questions.

[CLICK HERE FOR THE SAKOLSKY/MELZER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION](#)

SISTERHOOD

ILENE THAILER and FRAN SIMMONS

Co-Presidents

We wish everyone a happy secular New Year and hope everyone had a festive and fun Hanukkah! While things are still different due to the pandemic, we are trying to move forward and do some of the same things with a couple of tweaks!

Sisterhood was busy this December helping to bring some fantastic gifts to you and your families. We hope everyone was able to pick up or have delivered a Hanukkah gift bag that included all of the essentials of the holiday! We were happy to sponsor these bags along with the synagogue. We also hope you enjoyed the concert with the Maccabeats. We thoroughly enjoyed their performance, and we were proud to be able to contribute to having them sing for PBJC. Also, each nursery school class enjoyed both jelly and plain donuts provided by Sisterhood after their Hanukkah song performance. The children sounded fantastic and they were so happy to have a little party and donuts.

Sisterhood will be having its annual paid-up event on January 14 at 8 PM. Come see Mentalist David Jaison perform via Zoom. All attendees will receive a bottle of wine and chocolates to enjoy during the show. Please consider joining Sisterhood. To RSVP, please go to www.pbjc.org or call Jess Edelstein (973)420-9378 or Ilene Thailer (201) 658-4244 if you need help registering or with any questions. We hope to see you in your square!

We would like to thank Holly Gitlin for the first Sisterhood/Men's Club night of exercise. It was a great workout, and we look forward to many more classes!

Thank you to our programming chairs for putting together another night of Bingo! It is a lot of fun for us and we hope you all enjoyed it as well. Mazel tov to all our winners! The January Bingo night on January 25th will be free to Sisterhood paid-up members. Cards will cost \$10 for non-members.

Sisterhood tribute card information:

Marlene Scheinthal, malkacs@msn.com if you last name begins with A-Go

Melinda Kraus, msubq@aol.com, if your last name begins with Gr-M

Estelle Stein, estein9@hotmail.com, if your last name begins with N-Z

As always, we would like to thank you for your continued support of Sisterhood. If you have any comments or suggestions, please feel free to contact us.

Fran Simmons (973) 650-0566 fmsimmons@hotmail.com

Ilene Thailer (201) 658-4244 ithailer@optonline.net

MEN'S CLUB

JAY THAILER

President

On Sunday December 6th we held our annual Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs Man of the Year and Youth of the Year celebration. The event was held virtually, and while we could not all be together with good food and drink to celebrate, there were some nice differences with this year's celebration.

During the presentation there was a music video presentation by a very well-known Cantor. In addition, the honorees briefly discussed what the honor meant to them and their Jewish identity. In past years, each honoree would only get called up and have their picture taken with their plaque. I was particularly impressed with all the youth of the year honorees. They all spoke beautifully and made me feel comfortable that our Jewish legacy will live on for many years to come.

Congratulations to our two Youth of the Year honorees, Lindsay Zuckerman and Emma Zwickel. Good luck with all your future endeavors. We know that all your experiences at PBJC will follow you wherever you go.



Please look for future information regarding the World Wide Wrap sponsored by Men's Club. WWW will be on Sunday February 7, 2021 and will be held virtually. I will distribute additional information when it becomes available.

Regards,

Jay Thailer
PBJC Men's Club President

BETTY CRANE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

SHEILA BASEM
ELAINE NACHSHEN
Club Coordinators

We wish everyone a very Happy and Healthy 2021.

In December, we celebrated Hanukkah with the Maccabeats. Via Zoom, we were able to enjoy the Maccabeats' special Hanukkah program as well as their personal dialogue with us. Thank you to Michelle and the Maccabeats' technical crew for bringing the performance to us. It was a real treat.

In January, Hadas Toren will be doing a "stretch and tone" program; something we all need mid-winter when we can't get outside and move about too much. This program will take place on Tuesday, January 19th at 10:30 in the morning. As the time draws closer, we will send out the Zoom address and password needed for this program. Hope you can tune in. We look forward to the day when we can all be at PBJC and enjoy each other's company. In the meantime, we look forward to seeing you 10:30 AM on January 19th. Be well! Stay warm!

B'Shalom,
Sheila and Elaine

SASS

ELAINE NACHSHEN
Coordinator

SASS hopes everyone at PBJC and their families had a happy holiday season and a very happy secular New Year. We are hopeful that sometime soon in 2021 we will be able to get back to our socially active single senior programming, as we anxiously anticipate the distribution of the corona virus vaccine

Many SASS members joined the Betty Crane Friendship Club and PBJC as we watched via live stream a Hanukkah Celebration Concert by the Israeli singing group "The Maccabeats" on Sunday December 13th. It was a delightful program!

Please call with any question you might have about SASS.

Elaine Nachshen
nachshen@aol.com 973-263-0407

For more than 20 years, PBJC has served as a member congregation of nourish.NJ (formerly the Community Soup Kitchen & Outreach Center), taking responsibility for lunch whenever there is a fifth Sunday of a month. Following our efforts from November, [CLICK HERE](#) for a Thank You Note we received directly from nourish.NJ and [CLICK HERE](#) for an accompanying video.

The next fifth Sunday is January 31st. Due to the pandemic, it is still not possible to volunteer to serve this meal. Instead, PBJC members are asked to consider contributing to nourish.NJ in either of the following ways:

1. nourish.NJ continues to hand out bagged groceries each day. Louis Schwartz will be in the PBJC parking lot on **Sunday, January 31st collecting donations from 9:00 AM to 9:30 AM**. The food in greatest need right now is canned chicken, canned beans, canned soups, canned stews, and cereal. **Please only donate non-perishable items.**
2. Help by making a monetary donation to nourish.NJ by January 31st. All donations collected for nourish.NJ through PBJC will go directly towards food supplies for nourish.NJ. Monetary donations can be made as follows:
 - Online through the PBJC website. Click on "Donate Now" and make sure to select "nourish.NJ Donation" as the Type of payment.
 - Through a check made payable to "PBJC" and mailed to PBJC at 174 Changebridge Road, Montville, NJ 07045. Please indicate "nourish.NJ donation" in the memo of the check and please put "Attn: nourish.NJ donation" on the envelope.

We look forward to continuing our relationship with nourish.NJ as the organization grows and evolves. We will see how we can best support the organization and the people it serves during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond. Thank you for your continued support.

If you have any questions, you can contact Lou at nourishNJ@pbjc.org or 973-787-7243.

IMPORTANT LINKS AND INFORMATION

[Click Here for the full PBJC Calendar](#)

January Events (all via Zoom):

Tuesday, January 5 at 10:30 AM - [Adult Education with Rabbi Finkel: Six Classical Prophets](#)

Wednesday, January 6 at 8:00 PM – Chevra Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 13 at 7:30 PM – [Adult Education with Rabbi Finkel: Six Classical Prophets](#)

Thursday, January 14 at 8:00 PM – [Sisterhood Paid Up Event featuring mentalist David Jaison](#)

Tuesday, January 19 at 10:30 AM – [Betty Crane Friendship Club presents Stretch and Tone with Hadas Toren](#)

Monday, January 25 at 8:00 PM – [Sisterhood BINGO Night](#)

Thursday, January 28 at 7:30 PM – [Cooking with Cantor Toren: SOUP-er Recipes](#)

Shabbat Services

Friday evening and Saturday morning Shabbat services for the month of January will be via Zoom and Live Stream except for the following dates. Congregants may register to attend services in-person on the following dates in January:

Saturday, January 9 at 9:30 AM – [REGISTER HERE](#)

Friday, January 22 at 8:00 PM – [REGISTER HERE](#)

Click on the links above to register or contact the PBJC office for assistance.

**Be sure to regularly check the calendar on the PBJC website as updated flyers and event/program information will be added.*

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



Happy Anniversary to...

1/13 – Carol and Stephen Berman

1/17 – Nan and Alan Rothberg

1/23 – Trudy and Martin Sarver

Happy Birthday to...

1/1 – Nancy Cohen

1/2 – Rob Greenfield

1/3 – Spencer Carus, Myra Sumka, Gary Warech

1/4 – Marcia Grossman, Jenna Levitt, Joshua Marchant, Romi Michaels, Amy Miller

1/5 – Jodi Spitzberg

1/6 – Marty Lesh, Eileen Rolnick, Leonard Wallach

1/7 – Talya Gluck

1/8 – Amanda Citron

1/9 – Doron Finkel, Eliana Finkel, Janet Reich

1/10 – Urmí Baines, Daniella Gluck, Thomas Kaufmann, Ethan Liebowitz, Steven Schneiderman,
Samuel Steckelman,

1/11 – Brooke Sandler, Cary Stone

1/12 – Danielle Abramson, Sheila Ferguson, Hanna Friedman, Gail Levey, Mia Rappaport,
Robyn Zampaglione

1/13 – Robert Lieberman, Alexa Paris

1/14 – Samuel Stiller

1/15 – Keith Bobier, Sheldon Kavesh, Frank Mirchin, David Weinstein

1/16 – Mitchell Goldsmith

1/17 – Jordan Basem, Heddy Belman, Maxwell Musikant

1/18 – Joshua Carus, Howard Harris, Meredith Persson

1/19 – Jason Abfier, Aaron Citron, Fred Crane, Stacey Garb, Alan Warren

1/20 – Ira Sukoneck

1/21 – Ian Benson, Seth Friedman, Rebecca, Neadél, Jacob Wise,

1/22 – Marlene Scheinthal

1/23 – Asher Waldorf

1/24 – Anita Freimauer, Marsha Kaplan, Adriana Solotoff, Celina Steren,

1/25 – Jordyn Pleener

1/26 – Ellen Lieber, Mark Robin, Craig Stiller

1/29 – Terry Glass, Hannah Schneiderman

1/30 – Chuck Crane, Jaime Fuchs, Mitchell Mittler, Miriam Person, Zach Warech,

1/31 – Susana Agrusti, Sophie Bressler, Abigail Willner

Note: Children of members are included on the birthday list until their 21st birthday.

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In honor of Hannah Friedman becoming a Bat Mitzvah

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Yahrzeit Donation (Continued)

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In memory of his beloved father, Max Mandel

By: Gary Messinger
In memory of his beloved brother, Irwin Messinger

By: Susan Messinger
In memory of her beloved father, Alvin Feinberg

Yahrzeit Donation (Continued)

By: Barbara Morrison
In memory of her beloved father,
James H. Mergentime

By: Stewart Nadel
In memory of his beloved mother, Lillian Nadel

By: Barbara Neelman
In memory of her beloved husband,
Herbert Neelman

By: Gail Rempell
In memory of her beloved mother, Sylvia Weiss

By: Dorothy Rubin
In Memory of her beloved mother & sister, Bertha
Spodeck & Florence Harr

By: Sandy Schancupp
In memory of her beloved mother, Ida Lifshitz

By: Marlene Scheinthal
In memory of her beloved mother-in-law,
Nettie Scheinthal

By: Patty Shwartz
In memory of her beloved father, grandfather and
aunt, Harold Shwartz, Louis Kobre, and
Pauline Shwartz

By: David Stein
In memory of his beloved father, Morton Stein

By: Vicki and Ira Sukoneck
In memory of their beloved mothers,
Harriet Sherman and Mae Sukoneck

By: Natalie Wallach
In memory of her beloved sister,
Janet F. Salzman

By: Joyce Weinstein, Michael and Pam Weinstein
and family
In memory of their beloved husband, father,
and grandfather, Morton Weinstein

By: Toby Wolfman
In memory of her beloved uncle, Herman L.
Wolfman

By: Lester Wolfson
In memory of his beloved cousin and aunt, Jerome
Flax and Molly Siegel

Yahrzeit Donation (Continued)

By: Ralph Zemel
In memory of his beloved father, Jacob Zemel

By: Sandra Zwickel
In memory of her beloved father, Seymour
Nachshen

OUR CONDOLENCES TO:

Tammy Buren on the loss of her beloved father,
Irving Berman

Louis Katz on the loss of his beloved wife,
Doris Katz

Andrea Orris on the loss of her beloved father,
Gene Bass

Craig Nadel on the loss of his beloved mother,
Estelle Rose White Nadel

Esther Soussa on the loss of her beloved sister,
Hannah Shahmoon

Larry Boxer on the loss of his beloved father,
Larry Boxer

Alice Gordon on the loss of her beloved brother,
Steven Belsky

SISTERHOOD TRIBUTES

To: Ruth and Henry Bernstein
 Mazel Tov on your granddaughter Julia's Bat Mitzvah
 From: Bev and Michael Miller; Estelle Stein

To: Sharon and Bob Fields
 Mazel Tov on your grandson Ryan's Bar Mitzvah
 From: Marlene Scheinthal; Barbara and Marvin Kaufman; Bev and Michael Miller

To: Randi and Seth Friedman
 Mazel Tov on Hannah's Bat Mitzvah
 From: Robin Mangino

To: Stacey and Larry Garb
 Mazel Tov on Chase's Bar Mitzvah
 From: Robin Mangino

To: Judy and Steve Gothelf
 Mazel Tov on the birth of your first grandson, Ezra Page
 From: Sharon and Bob Field; Marlene Scheinthal; Janice and Fred Aibel; Sue Charnet; Ina and Mark Roffman; Gail and Ray Feldman; Fran and Howard Schenkel, Bev and Michael Miller

To: Meryle Handler
 Mazel Tov on your granddaughter Alexis' Bat Mitzvah
 From: Mary Sheydwasser; Gail and Ray Feldman

To: Staci and Adam Handler
 Mazel Tov on Alexis' Bat Mitzvah
 From: Sharon and Bob Fields; Beverly and Michael Miller; Ilene and Jay Thailer

To: Lou Katz
 In memory of your wife, Doris
 From: Beverly and Ilysa Berkowitz

To: Suzanne and David Reiss
 Mazel Tov on Kevin's Bar Mitzvah
 From: Ilene and Jay Thailer

To: Ina and Mark Roffman
 Mazel Tov in your new home.
 From: Sue Charnet; Estelle Stein; Bev and Michael Miller

To: Alan Rosmarin
 In memory of your mother, Evelyn
 From: Ina and Mark Roffman; Estelle Stein

To: Lou Katz
 Wishing you a speedy recovery
 From: Beverly and Ilysa Berkowitz; Sue Charnet

To: Shery and Daniel Seewald
 Mazel Tov on Leah's Bat Mitzvah
 From: Ilene and Jay Thailer

To: Libby and Charlie Stein
 Mazel Tov on the birth of your granddaughter, Gemma Rose
 From: Bev and Michael Miller

To: Esther Soussa
 Mazel Tov on the birth of your great-granddaughter, Hannah
 From: Sue Charnet; Melinda Kraus; Estelle Stein

To: Lindsay Zuckerman
 Mazel Tov on receiving the Pine Brook Jewish Center "Youth of the Year" award
 From: Sue Charnet; Paula and Ed Kadushin; Roberta and Bob Kanarick; Robin Mangino; Kim, Craig, Sam and Amanda Stiller; Mary and Frank Sheydwasser; Gail and Ray Feldman; Estelle Stein

To: Emma Zwickel
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 From: Paula and Ed Kadushin; Roberta and Bob Kanarick; Robin Mangino; Mary and Frank Sheydwasser; Gail and Ray Feldman

If you want to send a tribute card, please contact a member of the tribute team according to your last name. Tribute cards may be sent to synagogue members and non-members, but only members will be listed in the Candlestick.

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YAHREZEITS

<p>READ ON FRI/SAT, 1/1 and 1/2</p> <p>1/2/21 – 18 Tevet Abraham S. Zakarin Leo Zivin Harry Lifshitz Suzanne Krief Frances Bader Dr. Paul Schofield Mary Goldberg Benjamin Abrutyn Murray Scher Fania Timlichman</p> <p>1/6/21 – 22 Tevet Herman L. Wolfman Harry Milnik Leo Zucker William Samuel Sperling Stanley Rauch Jack Rothenberg Minnie Weiss Jennie Berger William Rosen Gabriel Goldberg</p>	<p>1/3/21 – 19 Tevet Rita Samuels Lena E. Liss Shirley Yaroshesky Libby Bitterman Edie Silverstein Harry L. Jacobs Jack Nadler Barbara Welger David J. Baratt</p> <p>1/7/21 – 23 Tevet Minnie Orenstein Philip Kayne Jacob Polsky Alex Brief Samuel Reiss Morris Kaplan Cressie Wolk Yetta Kesselman Fannie Bauman Arline Druckman</p>	<p>1/4/21 – 20 Tevet William Goldberg Maurice Prager Sophie Goldenthal Frankel Beatrice Cohen Rose Osur Joan Nathan Stephen Lieber</p> <p>1/8/21 – 24 Tevet Sidney Sigety Beatrice Sonners Douglas Mauro</p>	<p>1/5/21 – 21 Tevet Charlotte Bernstein Louis Flamenbaum J. Leon Bohana Issy Sokolow Gladys Pulver</p>
<p>READ ON FRI/SAT, 1/8 and 1/9</p> <p>1/9/21 – 25 Tevet David Kimmel Morris G. Levine Arthur Fruchtman Frieda Rosen Harvey Koslow Joseph Geisler Louis Rosen Doris Baum Silverman Gisella Gonsenhauser Herz</p> <p>1/13/21 – 29 Tevet Leon Lazarus Ethel Mintz William Berestetsky Maurice B. Zager David Rosenberg Edward Paster Harry Lifschien</p>	<p>1/10/21 – 26 Tevet Soloman Goldenberg Millie Sanders Frank Harris Ralph Teitelbaum</p> <p>1/14/21 – 1 Shevat Annabelle (Ann) Jacobs William Sirotkin Vivian Lieberman Edlin Phyllis Kempner Bernard Nelson Harold Gottlieb Henry Goldhammer Gertrude Weiss Pari Keola</p>	<p>1/11/21 – 27 Tevet Sidney Warsaw Freda Zucker Benjamin Spitz Isaac Tell Karen Krampf David Newman Jacob J. Olstein Rebeca Rapoport</p> <p>1/15/21 – 2 Shevat Dora Baron Lester Leitman Alexander Fish Alice Auguste Warech Ethel Altman Abraham Rosmarin</p>	<p>1/12/21 – 28 Tevet Saul Manheim Ben Michelson Abe Hofstein Alexander Monka Robert King Rita Sheffrin Leon Sieradzky Susan Pleener</p>

<p>READ ON FRI/SAT, 1/15 and 1/16</p> <p>1/16/21 – 3 Shevat Julius Safier Teddy Goldhagen Anne Dorfman Sondra Goldsmith Rose Cohen Benjamin Kleinman Rose Cohen Marjorie Jane Reichek Ebrahim Shadsirat Ann Domash Frances Harac Bertha Weiss</p> <p>1/20/21 – 7 Shevat Fay Schwartz Helen Rozprza Catherine Schwartz Marion Newman</p>	<p>1/17/21 – 4 Shevat Bertram Brandler Nat Edwards Milton Rosenberg Rita Abraham Aben Goldstein Charles Kalmus Joseph Tankel Cecilia Halpern</p> <p>1/21/21 – 8 Shevat Irving Berkowitz Fannie G. Einhorn Shirley Yormack</p>	<p>1/18/21 – 5 Shevat Nathan Glick Charlotte Lasko Max Harris Marc Rosen Samuel Altschuler Mina G. Smith</p> <p>1/22/21 – 9 Shevat Charles Katz Ellen Leist Bernard L. Zemsky Seymour Nachshen Mildred Engel Jennie Schragger Leo Wolfe Abraham Paster Steven Gyori Gladys Stein</p>	<p>1/19/21 – 6 Shevat Ilene Sussman Sarah Esther Goldberg Yitchak Fluke Frieda Greenspan Lillian Seigal Harry Rothman</p>
<p>READ ON FRI/SAT, 1/22 and 1/23</p> <p>1/23/21 – 10 Shevat Harold Fink Ann Monka Sylvia Shelsky Norton Friedman Harry Medwin</p> <p>1/27/21 – 14 Shevat Leslie Schofield Rhoda Gold Beatrice Gordon Yetta Goldenberg Suzanne King</p>	<p>1/24/21 – 11 Shevat Rochelle Shulman Bella Beards Lawrence Solotoff Herman Fins David Miller Michael Cohen Albert Srulowitz</p> <p>1/28/21 – 15 Shevat Jack (Jacob) Dubman David Slutsky Molly Siegel Paul Gilden Tully N. Kostner Abraham Lees Rachel Weiser Ruth E. Warren Jacob Konner Helene Wayne</p>	<p>1/25/21 – 12 Shevat Ida Liboff Herman Weissman Jerome Flax Sylvia Scharlat Bernard Singer Helen Zuckerman Melvin Bailynson</p> <p>1/29/21 – 16 Shevat Rose Bloom Backhus Maurice Tarasch Seymour B. Markus Evalyn Goldstein Rita Gordon Carlton Diskin</p>	<p>1/26/21 – 13 Shevat Julia Fechter Robert S. Gross Simon Reich Philip Medwin Gertrude Blank Morris Charles Papier</p>

<p>READ ON FRI/SAT, 1/29 and 1/30</p> <p>1/30/21 – 17 Shevat Paul Feuerstadt Irving Wrozlawsky Ida Taitel Bernard Goldsmith Elisabeth Roth Max Mandel Shirley Schneider Rabbi Joseph Schreiber Sylvia Weiss Albert Lerner Charles Seigal Albert Lieberman</p> <p>2/3/21 – 21 Shevat Abraham Epstein Florence Harr Tillie Fietelson Anna Kalmus Arthur Stern Rose Kramer Lees Joan S. Schenkel Betty Sokolow Ruth Silver Fox Benjamin Gewirtzman Sam Fox</p>	<p>1/31/21 – 18 Shevat David Seligman Faye J. Koss Gertrude Geisler Sadie Korn Isaac Rosenblatt Jennie Newman Matthew Roth Fritzie Segal David Pedlosky Chaim Weiser Sol Frosch</p> <p>2/4/21 – 22 Shevat Betty Brooks Mabel Weiner Eleanor Lipson Abramson William Halprin Cathy Silverman Ben Setzer Gladys Reinhorn Arthur Cohen Iris Sunshine Gladys Lazerwitz</p>	<p>2/1/21 – 19 Shevat Irma Fleck Molly Deutsch Larisa Suerdlova Maurice M. Reich Louis Davis Dora Prager Donald Gold Bernard M. Scheinthal Hyman Rosen Gussie Gitomer Louis Greifer Morris Kanarick</p> <p>2/5/21 – 23 Shevat Bernard Levin Samuel Moretsky Alan Jay Citrin</p>	<p>2/2/21 – 20 Shevat Louis Bloom Charles Suessel Rose Strom Isadore Blum</p>
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