



**Pine Brook Jewish Center**  
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The family service is held on the first Friday of each month  
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Call the synagogue office at 973-244-9800. If the office is closed, call Rabbi Finkel at  
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# RABBI'S MESSAGE

RABBI MARK DAVID FINKEL

## Remembering Rabbi Asher Krief z"l

Montville has changed a great deal in the past 50 years. In the 1970's multiple farms were still visible throughout our town. Some of the highways that bring us into Montville and take us out of town were still relatively new, or under construction, and in the case of I-287, still a road to nowhere going North. The school population was smaller, as were our school buildings. Neither the library nor the Municipal Building that we have today were yet built.

The Pine Brook Jewish Center was on Changebridge Road but not at #174, it was at #356, and the Pine Brook Jewish Center was in *Pine Brook*. In the mid-1970's PBJC welcomed a new Rabbi to town, Rabbi Asher Krief, who served as our Rabbi until just after the turn of the century. For most of those years, Rabbi Krief served as the sole spiritual leader to our Jewish community; Cantor Toren joined Rabbi Krief in Rabbi Krief's concluding years. Rabbi Krief's tenure as Rabbi saw many changes not only in Montville Township, but in the Jewish community also, and in the relationship between the two.

During Rabbi Krief's years as Rabbi, the PBJC community saw that it was growing larger. Its center was no longer in Pine Brook; the center had moved north along Changebridge Road, and Rabbi Krief guided the community in its move northward in 1982.

Rabbi Krief helped the Jewish community move physically, and more importantly, move spiritually from its home at #356 Changebridge Road (now the Sandol Presbyterian Church) to our current home at #174 Changebridge Road. He helped us feel at home in our current sanctuary which bears his name. As the spiritual leader of the Jewish community, he made himself and the Jewish community visible in interfaith activities both in the Montville clergy association and in the planning of our annual interfaith Thanksgiving services.

The symbolism of the beautiful stained-glass windows was a message to the Jewish community *inside* the sanctuary, and the outside of the new modern sanctuary was a message to all passers-by throughout the Montville community, "*Heneni: We are here.*" To that end, Rabbi Krief campaigned vigorously so that *Rosh HaShanah* and *Yom Kippur* would be given the same respect as Christmas and Easter: the Montville schools would be closed, and many community events would no longer take place on those three holy days. We now take for granted the changes in Montville during his tenure.

It is a Jewish custom to mark *sh'loshim*, the conclusion of the first 30 days of mourning with a time of reflection to remember the person and our relationship with him. On Monday evening November 20th Pine Brook Jewish Center will mark the closing of those 30 days with an evening of reflection and prayer, remembering our Rabbi who was the steward of our community through those changes from the 20th to the 21st centuries.

It will appropriately take place in the Rabbi Krief Sanctuary at PBJC at 7:00 PM, and it is somewhat ironic that it will take place the night before the Greater Montville Interfaith Thanksgiving Service.

We invite you to come, tell stories, and listen. Some of us will share what it was like in Jewish Montville not that long ago, and some of us will listen and learn. All of us will be able to honor and appreciate our Rabbi who made a big difference in our community.

I hope to see you in *schule*,

Rabbi Finkel

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

SETH FRIEDMAN

President

Hello PBJC Community-

On October 7th, 2023, armed Hamas terrorists tore down large parts of the Gaza security fence using tractors, rocket-propelled grenades and explosives, and invaded southern Israel. Simultaneously, Hamas terrorists in Gaza fired thousands of rockets toward Israel. Some 1,500 terrorists successfully broke through the fence in vehicles and by foot. Some used motorized paragliders to fly over the fence, and others attempted to invade through the sea.

The terrorists split up and made their way to a number of Israeli towns and IDF bases surrounding Gaza. That is when the massacre began. They invaded the towns, shooting everything in sight. They broke into civilian homes, shooting, burning, raping, and beheading. Over 1,300 Israeli civilians were murdered, and over 200 were abducted.

If there ever is a time to come together as a Jewish community, that time is now. Each and every one of us has some tie to Israel, be it having traveled there at some point during your life, having a friend who is Israeli, having family there, or simply aspiring to visit at some point during your lifetime. What happened on October 7<sup>th</sup> is just plain evil. The hatred towards Jews by Hamas is unacceptable and has led not only to a war in the State of Israel, but also a sharp rise in antisemitism across the world. Hatred towards Jews is unacceptable, but a sad reality of what has begun in many areas across the United States and what may come down the pike in the near future.

The Israel-Hamas conflict has reverberated across the United States and the world, impacting the Jewish communities in various ways. Here are some of the key effects from my perspective:

- Emotional Stress - Many Jewish Americans feel a deep connection to Israel, whether through familial roots or religious beliefs. Consequently, witnessing conflict in the land they hold dear can lead to emotional stress and anxiety.
- Intercommunity Relations - The Israel-Hamas conflict can strain relations between Jewish and non-Jewish communities in the United States. In certain instances, there have been reports of tensions and misunderstandings between different ethnic and religious groups. These challenges emphasize the importance of open and respectful dialogue to bridge divides and promote understanding.
- Antisemitism Concerns - One concerning consequence of the Israel-Hamas conflict is the rise of antisemitism in the United States. Anti-Jewish sentiments and incidents, including vandalism and verbal abuse, sometimes increase during times of escalated conflict in the Middle East. These incidents are deeply troubling and highlight the need for greater awareness and security measures.
- Impact on Jewish Youth - The conflict has also left its mark on the younger generation of Jewish Americans. Many Jewish youth, whether through involvement in Jewish organizations or social media exposure, engage in discussions about the conflict. These conversations can be informative and educational but also emotionally charged.

We should all be proud to be Jewish, but during these turbulent times, we must also be careful and vigilant. While there have been no signs of antisemitism in our local community, we never know when hatred may rear its ugly head. But rest assured that the PBJC will do everything in our power to protect our Jewish community and reject any hatred towards Jews.

I pledge to you that your lay leadership, clergy, and staff are in constant contact with town officials, law enforcement, and our public school system to protect our Jewish community from antisemitism and hate in our town and surrounding areas. Stay safe, be vigilant, and let's stick together!

Onward and upward!

Seth  
[President@pbjc.org](mailto:President@pbjc.org)

# THE PRESIDENT'S APPEAL

This month, I am focused on the Kol Nidre Appeal and Security. As it relates to the Kol Nidre Appeal, the PBJC strives for 100% membership participation in this appeal to help strengthen the security, physical appearance, and overall wellbeing of Pine Brook Jewish Center. **As it relates to Security, the PBJC will be offering a security training session for our entire congregation (Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm).**

All donations to the following projects are fully tax-deductible as no goods or services were offered in exchange for your contribution to the projects mentioned below. As always, please consult your tax advisor/ accountant with all donations to Pine Brook Jewish Center. Thank you in advance for your continued support of the PBJC!

If you are interested in donating to the President's Appeal, please click on the link below and in the "Type" dropdown, choose "23-24 Yom Kippur Appeal" or "Presidents Appeal – Security Training" and direct where you prefer your contribution to go towards.

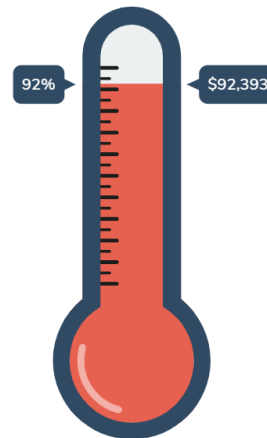
Link: [PBJC - The President's Kol Nidre Appeal](#)

## Appeal #1: Kol Nidre Appeal - \$100,000

**100% Goal Target:** December 31, 2023

**Description:** The Kol Nidre Appeal is a fundraising campaign that raises money for PBJC. The appeal is included in a speech by the PBJC President during Yom Kippur. This year, the congregation heard about the needs and desires of the congregation and its leadership, and how the money from this appeal was critical to meeting those needs and desires to bring our community back together.

GOAL: \$100,000



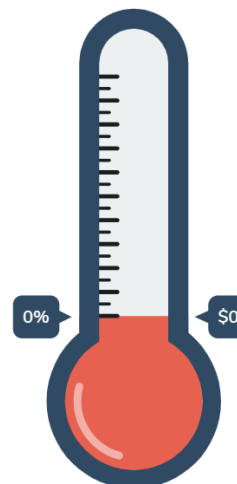
Link: [PBJC - The President's Appeal - Security Training](#)

## Appeal #2: PBJC Security Training - \$4,500

**100% Goal Target:** November 30, 2023

**Description:** As it relates to Security, the PBJC will be offering two security training sessions, one for the PBJC staff, clergy, teachers, security committee, and Executive Board and then a separate one for our entire congregation (Wednesday, December 6th at 7:00pm). The cost for offering these two training sessions is \$4,500 and was not contemplated during our budgeting process in the Spring 2023. Any and all donations to this appeal will be used to help offset these unbudgeted costs. Anything in excess of \$4,500 will be applied to any armed security we require during these turbulent times.

GOAL: \$4,500



# EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

LISA LERMAN and JILL BUCKLER

Early Childhood Center Co-Directors

This past month has been especially busy at the Early Childhood Center as the children enthusiastically continue to learn about and celebrate the holidays! Our halls and classrooms are filled with holiday stories, songs and marching with the torah. In addition to all of the holiday excitement, we have jumped right into our classroom activities. We are so thrilled to be able to resume some activities that we have always enjoyed in past years. We are able to participate in a sports program once a week, a music/movement class and enrichment programs after school! Once a week, the Cantor teaches the children songs for the holidays and Shabbat. Additionally, Amy Resnikoff who works at the Montville Library comes in once a month to read stories to the children and helps them to create awesome crafts. Most exciting for the children and the staff is celebrating Shabbat with the Rabbi, Cantor, Shabbat children and their parents. It is wonderful to welcome everyone back into the Sanctuary, and then later parents and extended family can celebrate this special day back in the classroom.

Fall is definitely here and there are signs of it everywhere we look! From squirrels to leaves to the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday, there are so many great learning opportunities and projects. Next time you are in the building, take a look at the creative artwork hanging from our ceilings and bulletin boards to see what we mean! The children are excited and already beginning to prepare for our very special Thanksgiving Feast. We will share the story of the pilgrims and taste some holiday treats.

This month is Fire Prevention Month! The children have been practicing what to do in case of a fire ... Just ask us to show you how to Stop, Drop and Roll. We were thrilled to have the Pine Brook fire Department come out to discuss fire safety with us. The children really liked watching the fireman put on all of his gear. They especially LOVED looking at and touching the fire truck. Check out some pictures from their visit below.

Our Giggle Zone program continues to thrive. This expanded care program complements our current preschool classes. The Giggle Zone provides a safe environment that supports positive behavior and exploration. Many giggles are heard throughout this room as children ages 18 months to 5 years interact, learn self-confidence and become inquisitive learners. The Giggle Zone is open daily from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and is open during some holidays when the Preschool is closed.

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

Warm Regards,

Lisa Lerman / Jill Buckler  
Early Childhood Co - Directors



# RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

MARY SHEYDWASSER  
Educational Director

We know that our hearts are in Israel, and we are all thinking about our friends and family. Our students have been coming together as a community to pray for peace for Israel after every session.

I am so proud of them as we sing Oseh Shalom and Hatikvah. I asked them what they thought Israelis need from us and they responded with mature answers that I wanted to share with you....donations, money, prayers, tzedakah, phone calls, letters to say that we are thinking of them. If you wish to send money in with your child, all our tzedakah will be going to aid Israel in any way possible.

I am so proud of your children; may they continue to go from strength to strength and may we all pray for Shalom!

I am deeply honored and humbled to be receiving an Honorary Doctorate in Jewish Education from the Jewish Theological Seminary and the Jewish Educators Assembly. My dream has always been to instill Jewish values and ethics in our young and am hoping that the education that they received here will stay with them forever. I do believe, however, their most memorable experience will be their Shabbatonim! Thank you all for your support and encouragement and allowing me to be a part of your child's Jewish journey.

I mentioned in my last article how proud we are of our madrichim program. I would like to acknowledge the following young adults who are creating memorable ties with PBJC; **Matthew Kraut, Aiden Blumenthal, Max Blumenthal, Ari Miller, Kevin Reiss, Emma Paris, Hannah Friedman, Eliana Finkel, Alexis Handler, Perri Schachman, Evan Schachman, Jordan Bergman, Rachel Pett, and Hayley Edelstein.** *L'Dor V'Dor*, from one generation to the next. However, it doesn't stop there! Two adults have volunteered their time on Sundays to work with our students. Yasher Koach to **Dr. Gary Drillings and Ilissa Schachman, Todah Rabah** for all that you are contributing to the success of our school!

Junior Congregation services are designed to give our students the opportunity to participate and lead an abbreviated Shabbat Service geared to their level. The service reinforces the prayers that they learn in the classrooms. 30 students fulfilled their obligation last year and were rewarded with a chocolate making party. Many thanks to **Meryle Handler** for undertaking this venture!

## Upcoming events in November:

2<sup>nd</sup> B'Yachad (8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> grades)  
4<sup>th</sup> Junior Congregation  
5<sup>th</sup> Challah Days  
5<sup>th</sup> Kitah Gimel (5<sup>th</sup> grade) Parent Orientation & Workshop  
7<sup>th</sup> Kristallnacht Program Kitot Dalet & Hey (6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> grades)  
9<sup>th</sup> No school – Teacher's Convention  
12<sup>th</sup> No school – Teacher's Convention

As always, please contact me if you have any questions.  
B'Shalom,  
Mary Sheydwasser

November 2023



16<sup>th</sup> B'Yachad (10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades)  
18<sup>th</sup> Junior Congregation  
19<sup>th</sup> Kitah Dalet (6<sup>th</sup> grade) Parent Orientation & Workshop  
21<sup>st</sup> Kitah Hey (7<sup>th</sup> grade) Community Mitzvah Project  
23<sup>rd</sup> No School - Thanksgiving  
26<sup>th</sup> No School - Thanksgiving  
30<sup>th</sup> B'Yachad (8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades)

# HARVEY JAFFE B'YACHAD MEMORIAL FUND

Harvey Jaffe, *Hershey*, was the driving force behind *B'yachad*. He helped make our dream come alive by leading a vibrant community of learners who come together post their B'Nai Mitzvah! This is what Hershey had to say about it:

The success of our Hebrew High School, *B'yachad*, is dependent on the ability to not only learn about 'the ethics of our people,' but more importantly to build a community. When students trust and care about each other they feel safe to share their views and ideas in a classroom setting and a dialogue begins. The fear of being judged by one's peers dissipates, and discussions become lively and interactive. From the time of Hillel and Shammai, our tradition teaches that there was always room to examine, dissect and re-evaluate our laws. In fact, many believe that different perspectives are exactly the reason Judaism has survived for almost 6000 years. However, all our ancestors agreed on the importance of a holy community a '*kehilah kedusha*,' where everyone is respected, and every opinion is valued.

A few testimonials...

*The reason I come back to B'yachad cannot be put into words. I cannot describe how much fun it is; it is something that needs to be experienced to understand. Hershey is a magnificent teacher who does an incredible job engaging with all the students and I strongly recommend that everyone attend B'yachad.*

*The reason I keep coming back to B'yachad is because I want to keep learning deeply about Judaism and all its many different features. Also, I love Hershey's sense of humor and the way he handles things are funny. Finally, I like the things we talk about and hanging with friends. B'yachad is the best place to be on a Thursday night, Mrs. Sheydwasser, Hershey, and everyone in it are the best.*

*B'yachad has given me the opportunity to grow closer with my peers. I've learned beyond the basics of responsibility, right from wrong and a series of life lessons. The friendship, trust and creativity in the room allows me to connect individually with each person. I am proud to be a part of B'yachad and I am proud to speak freely there without hesitation.*

*I still come to B'yachad because of the environment and because I know I will learn something I may not anywhere else. Hershey is someone I know I can tell anything to and ask anything without worrying about it leaving the conversation. I love learning about my Jewish roots and about what my religion stands for in relation to the past, the present and what will happen in the future.*

Funds were collected initially after his untimely passing, however, his legacy still lives on. Hershey's family has decided to put this money and all future donations towards scholarships for students interested in enrolling in *B'Yachad*, along with funding off-site excursions that have always been highlights of our program. Donations are accepted in any amount. To make a donation, go to the [DONATE NOW](#) section of the PBJC website and make sure to select Harvey Jaffe B'yachad Memorial Fund as the Payment Type.

May this serve as a living tribute to his memory.

# ELIOT SAKOLSKY AARON MELZER SCHOLARSHIP

**BEVERLY BERKOWITZ**

Chairperson

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 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 was 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](mailto:sakolsky-melzer-scholarship@pbjc.org) with any questions.

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



# SISTERHOOD

**ILENE THAILER and STACI HANDLER**

Co-Presidents

As a community trying to grasp what is happening in Israel, we know how important it is to support those directly affected during this difficult time. We would like everyone to know that our board has voted unanimously to donate \$500 to the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF). Please stay tuned as we try to navigate other ways to help and send our love to Israel.

October started off with a fun kick-off event that included dinner, fun and lots of meaningful conversation. We were so happy to see so many returning members, new members and prospective members come to meet people and hear what our Sisterhood is all about. Thank you to Betsy Steckelman and Carol Kotch for checking everyone in as they arrived.

We were also lucky to have Wendi Leicht host pickleball lessons for our members. The feedback was so great, Wendi has agreed to do more lessons. Stay tuned for dates and times!

Game night was moved to Thursday November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 pm. As a reminder, you can bring any game you would like (e.g., Scrabble, Backgammon, Yahtzee, etc.), as well as old favorites like cards and Mah Jongg. There will also be a table for anyone who would like to learn Mah Jongg. You can register on the website for what is sure to be a fun night.

Other upcoming events include a special morning of music and breakfast on November 19<sup>th</sup>. We are cohosting this with Men's Club and the Betty Crane Friendship Club and the music will be that of Carole King. It should be a wonderful morning! Be sure to register to attend here:

<https://www.pbjc.org/event/friendship-club-brunch-and-music-event-with-sisterhood-and-mens-club.html>

We also have our annual Paid-Up Dinner on November 30<sup>th</sup>. This year we are making chocolates! This special event is for all paid members of our Sisterhood. If you have not yet paid your dues, you can pay through your PBJC account or at the door with a check that night. Lauren Baumgarten and Samara Barness are working hard to plan a fun and memorable night for all! Be sure to register to attend here:

<https://www.pbjc.org/event/sisterhood-paid-up-dinner1.html>

Also, we are so excited to share that Sisterhood will be hosting a Book Club that will first be meeting in January. We are planning on having one daytime meeting and one nighttime meeting to best suit everyone's schedules. Stay tuned for the dates and the book!

Wishing everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving!

As always, thank you for your continued support of Sisterhood.

Ilene Thailer (201-658-4244, [ithailer@optonline.net](mailto:ithailer@optonline.net))

Staci Handler (973-951-4231, [staciahandler@gmail.com](mailto:staciahandler@gmail.com))

## **Sisterhood Tribute Cards**

Please use the new tribute card online ordering system for your convenience. The link is:  
<https://www.pbjc.org/form/sisterhood-tribute-card-form.html>

If you are having difficulties with the online ordering form, please contact a member of the tribute card team according to your last name. Email notification is preferred.

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***No calls on the Sabbath, Jewish holidays, before 9:00 AM, or after 9:00 PM please.***

## **Did you know that Sisterhood sells Gift Cards to many of the stores where you shop?**

Please support the Sisterhood Scrip program and purchase gift cards for your family, friends, and teachers. Sisterhood earns a small percentage of the face value of the cards sold. Gift cards are available for sale in the PBJC office. Cash and checks (made out to PBJC Sisterhood) are accepted for payment.

The cards we keep in stock include:

Supermarkets:	ShopRite, Kings, Foodtown and Acme
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**And new to our collection we now sell American Express Gift Cards which have no activation fee. So, a \$100 gift card simply costs \$100.**

If there are any Gift Cards that we do not carry that you are interested in, contact Beth Fuchs about a special order at [bethgfuchs@gmail.com](mailto:bethgfuchs@gmail.com). Beth can check to see if our vendor can supply us with the cards of your choice.



# SISTERHOOD TORAH FUND

**HEDDY BELMAN**  
Chair

Every woman has the opportunity to participate in preserving, promoting and perpetuating Conservative/Masorti Judaism by giving to the Torah Fund Campaign of WLCJ. Torah Fund Campaign of WLCJ helps support programs and student scholarships at Jewish Theological Seminary (New York, NY), Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies (Los Angeles, CA), Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies (Jerusalem), Seminario Rabinico Latinoamericano (Buenos Aires, Argentina), and Zacharias Frankel College (Potsdam, Germany).

There are continuing opportunities for sisterhoods/affiliates and individual donors to help support all five Conservative/Masorti institutes of higher education through Torah Fund Campaign of WLCJ. Thousands of dedicated volunteers contribute to the spiritual, aesthetic and material well-being of these educational communities by supporting Torah Fund projects. More info about Torah Fund Campaign of WLCJ can be found here: <https://www.jtsa.edu/torah-fund/>. Please contact Hedy Belman at [hbelman@wlcj.org](mailto:hbelman@wlcj.org) if you would like to contribute to Torah Fund or for more information.

## TORAH FUND CAMPAIGN OF WLCJ PIN 5784 (2023-2024)



Kol Yisrael Arevim Zeh Ba'Zeh

*All of Israel is Responsible for  
One Another*

*This pin highlights the word 'arevut,' responsibility. It corresponds to the theme from the Babylonian Talmud, Shevuot 39a, that all the people of Israel are responsible for one another, and we assume that responsibility through our support of the five Conservative/Masorti institutions of higher education.*



**שנה טובה ומתוקה**  
**Shanah Tovah u'Metukah**

Blessings to you and your families for a sweet, healthy, and fulfilling New Year

**Kol Yisrael Arevim  
Zeh Ba'Zeh**  
All of Israel Is Responsible for  
One Another

We continue to proudly support  
The Jewish Theological Seminary,  
Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies,  
Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies,  
Seminario Rabínico Latinoamericano,  
and Zacharias Frankel College.



**Lori Snow**  
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*Executive Director, Women's League for Conservative Judaism*

# MEN'S CLUB

**JAY THAILER**

President

Our first Men's Club Breakfast of the year was held on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. We had a great turnout. In addition to enjoying a delicious breakfast, David Krell spoke to us about Baseball, America, and the 1960s. It was a fun, an interactive event and we are looking forward to more great Men's Club breakfasts thus year.

We are pleased to co-sponsor a special morning of Carole King music and breakfast on November 19<sup>th</sup> along with Sisterhood and the Betty Crane Friendship Club. We are looking forward to a great event. Be sure to register to attend here:

<https://www.pbjc.org/event/friendship-club-brunch-and-music-event-with-sisterhood-and-mens-club.html>

Please save the date for Sunday, December 17 for another Men's Club Breakfast with special speaker Dr. Arnie Pally. Arnie will talk to us about Revolutionizing Medical Genetics Testing for 2023 – A Focus on Jewish Genetics. Look for more information, including registration for the event, soon.

Be sure to mark your calendars for the following dates in 2024, as well:

Sunday, February 11 at 9 AM - World Wide Wrap followed by Breakfast sponsored by Men's Club

Sunday, March 3 at 10 AM - Men's Club Breakfast with speaker TBD

Sunday, May 10 from 10 AM to 2 PM – Men's Club Day of Giving

Sunday, June 2 at 10 AM - Men's Club Breakfast with speaker TBD

We are also working on planning a ping pong tournament. Again, look for more information soon.

As always, do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions or suggestions.

Men's Club is looking forward to another great year.

Jay Thailer

# BETTY CRANE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

FRAN HOBERMAN-SCHENKEL AND BETH FUCHS

Club Coordinators

On October 3<sup>rd</sup> we met for lunch at Elma's restaurant in Parsippany. It was a lovely afternoon – we were there for nearly three hours ... sharing wonderful food and conversation.



Please save the dates for these upcoming events:

- A **brunch** in conjunction with Sisterhood and Men's Club on **Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 10am**. Special guests Gerard and Diane Barros will perform **"ONE FINE TAPESTRY, A CAROLE KING TRIBUTE."** RSVP via this link:  
<https://www.pbjc.org/event/friendship-club-brunch-and-music-event-with-sisterhood-and-mens-club.html>
- Zoom **ArtTalk** with **Janet Mandel** on **Amedeo Modigliani** on Monday **December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm**. We will begin this event by lighting a menorah together over Zoom. Modigliani was a painter and sculptor who was raised in a Sephardic Jewish family in Italy, trained at several prestigious Italian art academies, but worked as an artist, mainly in France where he was a member of the avant-garde movement.

If anyone has ideas for future events or needs a ride to an event, please email us.

Beth Fuchs and Fran Hoberman-Schenkel

[PBjCfriendshipclub@gmail.com](mailto:PBjCfriendshipclub@gmail.com)

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# PRAYER BOOK DONATIONS AND DEDICATIONS

Dedicating a *Siddur Lev Shalem* or *Etz Hayim* Bible that will be used in our congregational services is a wonderful way to celebrate family, remember loved ones, and honor our Pine Brook Jewish Center community.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support as we transition from the *Siddur Sim Shalom* to the *Siddur Lev Shalem*. We need many donations to help us purchase enough *Lev Shelem siddurim*.

What makes *Siddur Lev Shalem* so special:

**Transliteration** - User-friendly and provided for those parts of the service most often sung or chanted out loud by the congregation.

**Egalitarian Text** - Egalitarian options for prayers are provided.

**Symbols** - Icons are used to help readers participate in the service. For example, one symbol indicates when to bow.

**Commentary** - Provides context for each prayer. What are its origins? Why it is here? What meaning might it convey?

**Insights** - Prose and poetry, drawn from ancient to contemporary sources, that reflect and expand on the themes of that page.

Contact the PBJC office at [office@pbjc.org](mailto:office@pbjc.org) or (973) 244-9800 with any questions.

[CLICK HERE TO DONATE A PRAYER BOOK OR BIBLE](#)

## CARING COMMITTEE

**SANDY GONZALEZ and CAROL KOTCH**

Committee Chairs

We hope all is going well with you and your family. The Caring Committee continues to provide assistance to our friends and fellow congregants in need and we need your help. Examples of the types of assistance we provide include:

- Delivering Shabbat meals occasionally on the second and fourth Friday of each month.
- Providing needed rides to doctors' appointments.
- Shopping for those who can't get out or picking up and delivering a prescription.
- Setting up a house for shiva.
- Keeping someone company or calling someone who would appreciate the companionship.

Please contact us to sign up to serve on the committee. We will add you to the list of people we reach out to when we need assistance. In addition, **remember to let the office or us know if someone could use our help.** We can't support them if we don't know about it! Thank you in advance for your help.

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# COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEES

**MARK ROFFMAN**

Committee Founder

The Community Outreach Committee began almost 10 years ago with a simple mission: to provide living necessities to those with a defined psychiatric illness who are clients of the Mental Health Association of Essex and Morris Counties. This committee continues to thrive under the leadership of a Board of Directors comprised of dedicated young adults who receive guidance from Abby Edelman, Jamie Kideckel, and Ali Wise. The committee now provides resources for clothing of children living in shelters as well as supporting nourish.NJ.

Last year a second committee was formed - The Community Scholarship Committee of the Pine Brook Jewish Center. The mission of this committee is to provide scholarships to academically worthy students of Dover High School who have made a difference in their community. For the first year the committee, comprised of 21 members, provided one scholarship of \$2,400 and two scholarships each of \$400.

Joining either or both of the Community Outreach Committees is easy. You can do so by donating \$150 per year to participate in each committee. You can donate directly on the PBJC website ([www.pbjc.org](http://www.pbjc.org)). Alternatively, send a check payable to PBJC with the appropriate notation (indicating the committee's name) in the memo line. Again, the yearly donation to join is \$150 for each committee. Neither committee has any meetings. Please consider joining one or both of our committees. Thanks for taking the time to read this message Please contact Mark Roffman at [markroffmanphd@gmail.com](mailto:markroffmanphd@gmail.com) if you would like more information about either of the committees.



## **WHO WE ARE:**

**PBJC COMMUNITY OUTREACH IS AN ORGANIZATION TO HELP THOSE LESS FORTUNATE BY PROVIDING RESOURCES SUCH AS FOOD, CLOTHING, AND OTHER NECESSITIES.**

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## **WHY JOIN:**

- **REWARDING TO HELP THOSE IN NEED**
  - **FLEXIBLE TIME COMMITMENT**
  - **BUILDS LEADERSHIP SKILLS**
  - **PARTICIPATE WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS**
  - **EARN COMMUNITY SERVICE CREDITS**
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## **HOW TO GET INVOLVED:**

- ✓ **EMAIL: [PBJCOUTREACH@GMAIL.COM](mailto:PBJCOUTREACH@GMAIL.COM) TO JOIN**
- ✓ **DONATE USING PBJC WEBSITE**
- ✓ **VOLUNTEER TO DO A PANTRY SHOP, DROP OFF ITEMS, PREPARE MEALS, HELP FUNDRAISE, AND MUCH MORE!**

**FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM  
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# nourish.NJ

Louis Schwartz  
Chair

nourish.NJ  
feed lives . fuel futures

I would like to send a heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped PBJC help nourish.NJ. Due to the generosity of our congregants, we collected \$ 872.00 in cash donations and once again delivered a full carload of food to people in need. These donations are so greatly appreciated.

I'd like to send a special thanks to:

Pam and Mike Baron  
Beverly Berkowitz  
Susan Charnet  
Diane and Frank Dalton  
Elizabeth, Brian, and Sammy Epstein  
Gail Feldman  
Sharon and Bob Fields  
Miriam Gitomer  
Barbara and Abe Goll  
Dale and Rob Greenfield  
Marcy and Alan Guilder  
Gayle and Jeffrey Isacson  
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Sharyn and Stewart Nadel  
Reese and Micah Schachter  
Marlene Scheinthal  
Estelle Stein  
Lester Wolfson  
Howard Youngman  
Michelle and Evan Zuckerman

Look for more information soon about our next collection for nourish.NJ.

**If you have any questions, you can contact Lou at [nourishNJ@pbjc.org](mailto:nourishNJ@pbjc.org) or 973-787-7243.**

# PBJC SUPPORTS ISRAEL

PBJC established our **Israel Donation Fund** after the October 7<sup>th</sup> Hamas terrorist attack on Israel. 100% of the funds collected through this fund will be donated to the following two organizations:

- Metrowest Federation's Emergency Fund for Israel
- Friends of the Israel Defense Forces (FIDF)

Through November 1<sup>st</sup>, PBJC raised \$11,118 and we have already donated \$5,559 to each organization. PBJC's Israel Donation Fund will remain open, and we will continue to make monthly donations to these organizations.

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On **Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>**, PBJC held a **prayer vigil** to show our solidarity in support of Israel.

[CLICK HERE TO WATCH THE PRAYER VIGIL](#)

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On **Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**, PBJC held a program **Empty Table...Broken Hearts** where we gathered around an empty Shabbat table as a community to pray that all hatred will cease and that the power of G-d will rescue each and ever captive and bring them back to their family and friends – quickly and unharmed.

[CLICK HERE TO WATCH THE EMPTY TABLE...BROKEN HEARTS PROGRAM](#)

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On **Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**, immediately following Shabbat services, PBJC will host **Guy Leibovitz** for a special "Lunch and Learn" program during *Kiddush*. Guy is a tour guide and Israeli educator. He has been a licensed tour guide in the land of Israel since the year 2000. As a child his family moved to the desert city of Eilat. After he graduated high school, he joined the IDF in one of their special forces' units. After his service, he travelled the world and then returned to Tel-Aviv University to study software engineering, but soon realized that this was not his passion. His love of Israel and its history was something he wanted to share with others.

Today, Guy is a tour guide licensed by the Israeli Tourism Office, who is an expert in both the history and archaeology of Israel. He has been chosen by the Israeli government to host some of its most important and influential visitors, including the world's largest donors to Birthright, dignitaries from all over the world, and celebrity guests including, most recently, Brett Favre. He also travels the United States educating both Jews and non-Jews on Israel. He is married, has two beautiful kids, and lives in Kibbutz Harel, located between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, not far from the place where David killed Goliath.

Guy will talk to us about the attack of October 7 and how Hamas managed to execute it against what is one of the most advanced and formidable military powerhouses, with one of the most capable and sophisticated intelligence operations in the world. He will additionally speak about: Hamas' history; prior peace efforts and Hamas' role in undermining these efforts; Hamas and their influence on the new generation of Palestinians and how that might impact any peace efforts moving forward; Hamas' objectives with the attack; the importance of public opinion, and how Hamas has succeeded in influencing the minds of millions around the world; the status of the war in Gaza...what's going well, and surprises along the way; and how you can help.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER TO ATTEND SHABBAT SERVICES & THE LUNCH AND LEARN PROGRAM](#)

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On **Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM**, PBJC will host a Zoom program **@bringourfamilyhome** featuring **Alana and Liam Zeitchik**. Six members of Alana and Liam's family were taken hostage in Israel on October 7<sup>th</sup>. Hear the story of Sharon, David, Emma, Julie, Danielle, and Amelia and their family's efforts to bring them home.

Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88571053167?pwd=WENtWnY5b1owZ1NpVUNXYStwVjJTQT09>

Meeting ID: 885 7105 3167

Passcode: 330276

# UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

[CLICK HERE FOR THE FULL PBJC CALENDAR](#)

Saturday, November 4 - Honors Shabbat with Lifetime Award Honoree Jonathan Cohen

Thursday, November 9 - Deadline to Order Your Shabbat Dinner for Pick-Up on Friday, November 10

Tuesday, November 14 at 7 PM via Zoom - Author Pamela Nadell, America's Jewish Women: A History from Colonial Times to Today (please RSVP, Zoom link will be sent upon registration)

Saturday, November 18 following Shabbat Services - Lunch and Learn with Guy Leibovitz, Israeli Tour Guide and Educator (please RSVP)

Sunday, November 19 at 10 AM - Brunch co-sponsored by Friendship Club, Sisterhood, and Men's Club - Singing Duo Gerard and Diane Barros will be performing a tribute to Carole King (please RSVP)

Sunday, November 19 at 7 PM via Zoom - Alana and Liam Zeitchik @bringourfamilyhome

Monday, November 20 at 7 PM – Remembering Rabbi Krief z”l: Join us for prayers, songs, and reflections as we honor the life and legacy of Rabbi Krief z”l and remember his contributions to PBJC and the greater Montville community.

Tuesday, November 21 at 7:30 PM – Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at Montville Reformed Church

Tuesday, November 28 at 7:30 PM - Presentation by Christopher Butchko, Montville Township High School Teacher of Holocaust & Genocide Studies (please RSVP)

Thursday, November 30 at 7 PM - Sisterhood Paid-Up Dinner (please RSVP)

Wednesday, December 6 at 7 PM – Congregation Security Training (please RSVP) followed by Chevra Board Meeting at 8:30 PM

Friday, December 8 – Hanukkah Shabbat Alive Service with Family Hanukkah Dinner (look for more information soon)

Monday, December 11 at 7:30 PM via Zoom - ArtTalk with Janet Mandel on Amedeo Modigliani - We will begin this event by lighting a menorah together over Zoom (look for more information soon)

Tuesday, December 12 at 5:30 PM - Montville Township Hanukkah Lighting at Town Hall (look for more information soon)

Wednesday, December 13 at 5 PM - Preschool Family Hanukkah Party sponsored by Sisterhood (look for more information soon)

Saturday, December 16 at 7 PM - Hanukkah Party - Latkes, Vodkas and Laughs! Register Now!

Sunday, December 17 at 10 AM - Men’s Club Breakfast with Arnie Pallay (look for more information soon)

**SAVE THE DATE!** - Thursday, May 16 - PBJC Golf & Tennis Classic at Green Brook Country Club

# PICKLEBALL AT PBJC

We are excited to bring pickleball to our PBJC community! We now have one pickleball court in our gym that will be available for reservation by PBJC members on weekday evenings and Sundays. The schedule may vary based on other events taking place at PBJC. A weekly schedule with online sign-ups will be sent out each Monday morning. The cost to rent the court is \$30/hour. Players should bring their own racquets and balls. Please note that court rental is open to PBJC members and at least one PBJC member must be present at all times. Look for the first week of sign-ups coming soon!

[CLICK HERE FOR THE PICKLEBALL FLYER](#)

# BABYSITTERS

Please see below for a list of available babysitters from our PBJC community.

*If you would like to be listed, please email Karen Herbst at [kherbst@pbjc.org](mailto:kherbst@pbjc.org) with your name, age, grade, phone number and email address. We will be happy to include you in our babysitting section in future issues of the Candlestick newsletter.*

Hayley Edelstein  
Grade 10  
Age: 15  
973-220-9496

Stella Edelstein  
Age 13  
Grade 8  
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Joshua Marchant  
Grade 11  
Age 16  
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[joshmarchant714@gmail.com](mailto:joshmarchant714@gmail.com)

Eli Rosen  
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Age: 16  
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Rebecca Rosen  
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973-840-9163  
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Evan Schachman  
Grade 12  
Age: 17  
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Perri Schachman  
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Elissa Schwartz  
Grade 9  
Age: 14  
973-519-2999  
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Amanda Stiller  
(May be available when home during college breaks)  
Age: 18  
201-704-2976

# NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES and BIRTHDAYS

Happy Anniversary to...

11/6 – Michele Glass and Adam Raiken

11/7 – Dana and Jason Cherna, Diane and Jonathan Talman, Nancy Stanton Tuckman and Steven Tuckman

11/10 – Jennifer and Jason Abfier

11/11 – Lauren and Robert Berman

11/12 – Tammy and Benjamin Buren

11/13 – Jennifer and Michael Marchant

11/14 – Rosalie and Robert Kesselman

11/15 – Randy and Jack Wenarsky

11/16 – Deborah and Bernard Ulrich

11/18 – Wendi and Leonard Leicht

11/22 – Susan and Fred Decter

11/24 – Sheryl and Howard Chesler



Happy Birthday to...

11/1 – Seth Katz, Michael Kideckel

11/2 – Keith Lewis

11/3 – Ivan Bader, Naomi Estrin, Rabbi Mark Finkel

11/4 – Estelle Abramson, Jacob Levitt

11/6 – Paige Silverman, Heath Waldorf

11/7 – Samantha Edelman, Lauren Eagle, Jason Melzer, Felice Yudkin

11/8 – Jean Bader, Scott Benson, Sheryl Feinstein, Jackie Schwartz, Teddy Wolf

11/9 – Zachary Estrin, Emily Tlusty

11/10 – Benjamin Jacobs, Louis Schwartz, Drew Wortman

11/11 – Seymour Katz, Avery Lawrence

11/12 – Jeffrey Edelman

11/13 – Aileen Cabelly, Evan Spitzberg, Jason Spitzberg, Adam Steckelman

11/14 – Joelle Sandler, Barry Weinreb

11/15 – Brody Hammer, Jacob Hammer, Amy Resnikoff

11/16 – Fred Aibel, Jens Jenson, Gilbert Mandel, Henry Roth

11/17 – Samuel Carness, Ari Miller

11/18 – Maya Boxer, Alexa Manheim, Ellie Manheim, Dahlia Miller

11/19 – Benjamin Buren

11/20 – Andrew Benson, Stella Hall, Adam Resnikoff, Susan Schenker

11/21 – Alexis Handler

11/22 – Jeri Feinbloom, Elaine Nachshen, Parker Talman

11/23 – Nancy Alkin, Brody Manheim

11/24 – Jodi Sokaler

11/25 – Jonathan Cabelly, Robin Kahwaty

11/26 – Amy Sturmer-Margulis

11/27 – Craig Baumgarten, Jason Benson, Jodi Benson

11/28 – Carol Fietelson

11/29 – Abby Finkel, Harold Hofstein, Kia Nili, Ilene Thailer

11/30 – Sebastian Nagel, Kevin Reiss, Trudy Sarver



# DONORS/SPONSORS

## RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

By: Susan Charnet  
In appreciation of Rabbi Finkel's kindness and consideration

By: William Robinson  
In appreciation of Rabbi Mark Finkel

By: Caryn and Matthew Weiss  
In appreciation of Rabbi Mark Finkel

## CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

By: Annika and Jordan Levitt  
Mazal Tov on Brie Stone becoming a Bat Mitzvah;  
Mazal Tov on Sami Silverman becoming a Bat Mitzvah

## PBJC CARING COMMITTEE

By: Jill and Alan Bernstein  
Mazel Tov on the birth of  
Marcy and Alan Guilder's grandson

By: Martin Lesh  
In honor of Irene Davis's 80th birthday

By: Roberta and Bob Kanarick  
In memory of Margo Reich

## ELIOT SAKOLSKY / AARON MELZER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

By: Susan Charnet  
Thank you to Beverly Berkowitz for all her help and consideration

By: Harvey Sakolsky  
In memory of his beloved grandmother, Jennie Kaufman; In memory of his beloved mother, Arlene Sakolsky

## THE HARVEY JAFFE B'YACHAD MEMORIAL FUND

By: Sharon Jaffe  
In honor of Josh and Dena's marriage

## PRAYER BOOK FUND (LEV SHALEM)

By: Jay and Wendy Birnbaum  
In honor of Jonathan Cohen,  
PBJC Lifetime Achievement Awardee

By Sue Charnet  
In loving memory of her beloved parents,  
Andor and Alice Rosenberg

By: Sheryl and Howard Chesler  
In memory of Rabbi Asher Krief

By: Susan and Fred Decter  
In memory of Arnold Schancupp

By: Sima and Abe Feder  
In memory of Estelle Schlenger

By: Marlene Scheinthal  
In memory of Rabbi Asher Krief

## KIDDUSH FUND

By: Beverly Berkowitz  
In honor of Ilysa's Torah Reading

By: Susan Charnet  
Thank you to Diane Dalton for all of your help and consideration

By: Carol Kotch  
In honor of Ilysa Berkowitz.  
Congratulations on your wonderful Torah reading

By: Estelle Stein  
In honor of Rabbi Finkel's leading of services on the High Holy Days

By: Estelle Stein  
In honor of Cantor Toren's leading of services on the High Holy Days

## **NOURISH.NJ**

By: Diane and Frank Dalton  
In honor of Jonathan Cohen for his  
Lifetime Achievement Award

By: Miriam Gitomer  
In memory of her beloved husband,  
Martin Gitomer's 20th Yahrzeit

By: Dale and Rob Greenfield  
In honor of Gail Feldman's 85th Birthday

## **PBJC GENERAL DONATION**

By: Alan and Eleanor Bernstein  
In memory of our beloved Rabbi Asher Krief

By: Keith Brown  
In memory of Rabbi Asher Krief

By: Anita and Larry Freimauer  
In memory of Rabbi Asher Krief

By: Beth and Bruce Resnick  
In honor of Rabbi Finkel and Cantor Toren

By: Carolyn Segal  
In honor of Jonathan Cohen and  
his Lifetime Achievement Award

By: Harriet and Martin Stein  
In memory of Rabbi Asher Krief

By: Lois V. Tar  
In memory of Irene and Ira Popkin

## **Yahrzeit Donation**

By: Barry Berger  
In memory of his beloved brother, Allan Berger

By: Beverly Berkowitz and Ilysa Berkowitz  
In memory of their beloved grandfather,  
and great grandfather, Benjamin Axelrod

By: Renee Bitner  
In memory of my beloved father, Manny Elkin

By: Irene Davis  
In memory of her beloved father, Myer Lenner

## **Yahrzeit Donation (Continued)**

By: Melvyn Feinbloom  
In memory of his beloved father, Jack Feinbloom

By: Jacqueline Fenton  
In memory of her beloved mother-in-law,  
Lillian Fenton

By: Abe Goll  
In memory of his beloved father, Sol Goldberg

By: Deborah and Jeffrey Gussoff  
In memory of Arnie Schancupp

By: Marcia Grossman  
In memory of her beloved mother, Fannie Fox  
and her beloved brother, Charles Fox

By: Randi Kruger  
In memory of her beloved mother, Doris Schaechter

By: Lillian Lerman  
In memory of her beloved mother-in-law,  
Pauline Lerman

By: Mark Lipsky  
In memory of his beloved mother, Anne Davis Lipsky

By: Beverly and Michael Miller  
In memory of Beverly's beloved father,  
Raymond Lichtenberg and Michael's  
beloved father, David Miller

By: Jan Myers  
In memory of her beloved father, Samuel Stieber

By: Sharyn Nadel  
In memory of her beloved father, Joseph Sheinis

By: Barbara Neelman  
In memory of her beloved mother, Anne Fabricant  
and her beloved father, Samuel Fabricant

By: Philip Person  
In memory of his beloved father, Alfred Person

By: Heather Reiser  
In memory of her beloved mother,  
Sheila Lenore Ehrlich

## Yahrzeit Donation (Continued)

By: Gail Rempell  
In memory of her beloved father, George Weiss  
and her beloved mother-in-law, Sylvia Rempell

By: Marlene Rosen  
In memory of her beloved husband, Martin Rosen;  
her beloved mother, Sylvia Kostner, her beloved  
aunt, Gertrude Miller; her beloved grandmother,  
Sarah Kostner, her beloved grandfather,  
Morris Kostner and her beloved father-in-law,  
Samuel A. Rosen

By: Mel Sanders  
In memory of his beloved grandmother, Sarah Smith

By: Steven Sanders  
In memory of his beloved mother,  
Edith Sanders Rudell

By: Reese and Micah Schachter  
In memory of their beloved great grandpa,  
Shea Schachter ... Love always

By: Hervey Sicherman  
In memory of his beloved father, Milton Sicherman

By: Esther Soussa  
In memory of her beloved brother, Steve Hay  
and her beloved husband, Maurice Soussa

By: Estelle Stein  
In memory of her beloved father, Louis Premock

By: Myra Sumka  
In memory of her beloved mother, Fannie Diener;  
In memory of her beloved brother, Lawrence Diener;  
In memory of her beloved husband, Mal Sumka;  
In memory of her beloved father-in-law, Sol J Sumka

By: Deborah Ulrich  
In memory of her beloved brother. Bernard Goldberg

By: Toby Wolfman  
In memory of her beloved mother, Sophie Fox  
and her beloved mother-in-law, Regina Wolfman

By: Lester Wolfson  
In memory of his beloved grandfather,  
Louis Lieberman and his beloved uncle, Sam Siegel

By: Shelley Zemel  
In memory of her beloved mother, Eleanor Alper  
and her beloved uncle, Richard Foer

### OUR CONDOLENCES TO

Sandy Schancupp on the loss of her beloved  
husband, Arnie Schancupp

Erma Krief on the loss of her beloved  
husband, Rabbi Asher Krief

The Stiel Family on the loss of our member,  
Helen Stiel-Schrager



# SISTERHOOD TRIBUTES

To: Sheila Basem –  
Mazel Tov on your honor for enriching PBJC  
From: Estelle Stein

To: Beverly Berkowitz –  
Wishing you a Happy Birthday  
From: Judy and Mark Lipsky

To: Ilysa Berkowitz –  
Belated Happy Birthday and  
Mazel Tov for reading the Torah  
From: Marlene Scheinthal

To: Renee Bitner –  
Mazel Tov on the birth of your great grandson  
From: Myra Sumka

To: Jonathan Cohen –  
Mazel Tov on receiving the  
PBJC Lifetime Achievement Award  
From: Marcia and Andy Kalfas, Estelle Stein

To: Diane Dalton –  
Mazel Tov on your honor for enriching PBJC  
From: Marcia and Andy Kalfas, Marge and Earl  
Rostoker, Estelle Stein,

To: Gail Feldman –  
Wishing you a Happy 85th Birthday  
From: Natalie Wallach, Marian and Bob Lowenfish

To: Sandy Gonzalez –  
Mazel Tov on your honor for enriching PBJC  
From: Marcia and Andy Kalfas, Estelle Stein

To: Sandy and Jose Gonzalez –  
Wishing you a Happy Anniversary  
From: Sue Charnet

To: Marcy and Alan Guilder –  
Mazel Tov on the birth of your  
grandson, Max Benjamin  
From: Gay and Steve Gershberg

To: Carol Kotch –  
Mazel Tov on your honor for enriching PBJC  
From: Estelle Stein

To: Erma Krief –  
In memory of your husband, Rabbi Asher Krief  
From: Nancy and Jonathan Cohen, Estelle Stein,  
Natalie Wallach

To: Arlene Leicht –  
Mazel Tov on the marriage of your  
grandson, Alex to Lauren  
From: Barbara and Marvin Kaufman

To: Wendi and Lenny Leicht –  
Mazel Tov on the marriage of your  
son, Alex to Lauren  
From: Ilene and Jay Thailer

To: Marian and Bob Lowenfish –  
Mazel Tov on your granddaughter  
Eliana's Bat Mitzvah  
From: Gail Feldman

To: Padi Nazmiyal –  
Wishing you a Speedy Recovery  
From: Beverly Berkowitz

To: Don Rosenthal –  
Wishing you a Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
From: Sheryl and Howard Chesler

To: Earl Rostoker –  
Wishing you a Happy Birthday  
From: Sue Charnet

To: Sandy Schancupp –  
In memory of your husband Arnie  
From: Gail Feldman, Fran Hoberman-Schenkel  
and Beth Fuchs from the Betty Crane Friendship  
Club and the Friendship Club members, Marcy  
and Alan Guilder, Roberta and Bob Kanarick,  
Marian and Bob Lowenfish, Sue and Gil Mandel,  
Beverly and Michael Miller, Marlene Scheinthal,  
Estelle Stein

To: Mary Sheydwasser –  
Mazel Tov on your Recognition  
and Doctorate Honor  
From: Roberta and Bob Kanarick

To: Lou Schwartz –  
Mazel Tov on your honor for enriching PBJC  
From: Marcia and Andy Kalfas, Estelle Stein

# SISTERHOOD TRIBUTES

*Tribute cards may be sent to synagogue members and non-members, but only members will be listed in the Candlestick.*

Please use the tribute card online ordering system for your convenience. The link is:  
<https://www.pbjc.org/form/sisterhood-tribute-card-form.html>

If you are having difficulties with the online ordering form, please contact a member of the tribute card team according to your last name. Email notification is preferred.

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***\*No calls on the Sabbath, Jewish holidays, before 9:00 AM, or after 9:00 PM please.***

# YAHREZEITS

**READ ON FRI/SAT,  
11/3 and 11/4**

**11/4/23 – 20 Heshvan**

Sarah Nochenson  
Ida Osur  
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