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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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**October 2023 / Tishrei – Heshvan 5784**

# CANTOR'S MESSAGE

CANTOR MENACHEM TOREN

Meaningless! Meaningless!"  
says the Teacher.  
"Utterly meaningless!  
Everything is meaningless."

What do people gain from all their labors  
at which they toil under the sun?

Generations come and generations go,  
but the earth remains forever.

The sun rises and the sun sets,  
and hurries back to where it rises.

The wind blows to the south  
and turns to the north;  
round and round it goes,  
ever returning on its course.

All streams flow into the sea,  
yet the sea is never full.  
To the place the streams come from,  
there they return again.

All things are wearisome,  
more than one can say.  
The eye never has enough of seeing,  
nor the ear its fill of hearing.

What has been will be again,  
what has been done will be done again;  
there is nothing new under the sun.

Greetings My Dear Friends,

If what you saw above is not familiar, it comes from King Salomon, the son of King David (book of Ecclesiastes, beginning of chapter one).

If there is one book that I would recommend as the best possible reading (other than the complete Bible, of course), it would be the Book of Ecclesiastes (and technically it's a scroll). It is a very short reading in comparison to anything modern, and can be finished in less than 45 minutes, when read slowly.

This scroll is so special because what you read is the actual essence of the wisdom Salomon collected all his life. He was known to be the wisest, wealthiest and had 1,000 wives (so he definitely knew a lot about relationships...), and in his old age, he tells us what's important in life and what is vain. At the beginning, one may notice some heresy, but this is reversed later. *Kohelet* (Ecclesiastes) later shows us how ultimately, it is best to revere God, believe in God and know that all that happens, should happen. However, vanity is not all bad! (Surprised? Read the scroll!)

# CANTOR'S MESSAGE

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On *Shabbat Chol Hamoed* (Shabbat when it is not the beginning of a holiday) we read this scroll. Not all Jews read it on *Sukkot*, it is mostly the Ashkenazim and The Yemenite.

There are several reasons why it is read for this holiday; the two primary ones are:

1. The dedication of the first Temple by King Salomon was on these days of *Sukkot*.
2. At that time of the year, right after the harvest, people felt so full of themselves, and were so satisfied with what they had. If they did well, they may have wanted more and more. Reading the wise words of Kohelet can help put us in perspective what's important and what is not so important. It can teach us that all materialistic things should be nothing but tools to achieve a higher purpose. Further, if we have those "good and beautiful materialistic things" we should embrace them and enjoy them, but never forget where they came from, or that they can always go away.

Matthew Perry wrote in his new autobiography, "Julia Roberts was my girlfriend, I made \$1,000,000 a week, I had the view of the entire Los Angeles from my house, but I was miserable."

There are twelve very short chapters in the scroll. We read one chapter every year. However, I suggest that you read it all, and it is very easy. Sit on the couch, take your laptop or tablet, and type in the search engine "Ecclesiastes for reading." Or you can go directly to this link: <https://www.biblestudytools.com/ecclesiastes/>.

Pour a drink, cut a sweet fruit, clear out other thoughts, and start reading...you will thank me later.

Love,

Meni

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

SETH FRIEDMAN

President

Hello PBJC Community,

*Shana Tova Umetukah!* Now, with *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur* behind us, the fall season brings with it a series of joyous and spiritually meaningful festivals. Two of the most prominent among them are *Sukkot* and *Simhat Torah*. These festivals not only hold deep religious significance but also emphasize the importance of community and unity among the Jewish people.

*Sukkot*, often referred to as the Feast of Tabernacles, is a week-long festival following the High Holy Days. It is a time when Jewish families and communities come together to commemorate the biblical story of the Israelites' journey through the desert and their reliance on divine providence. At the heart of *Sukkot* is the construction of a *sukkah*, a temporary hut or booth made of natural materials like branches and leaves where families gather to eat their meals, pray, and even sleep, as a symbol of the temporariness of life and the protection provided by G-d during challenging times. This tradition serves as a reminder that despite life's uncertainties, the support of one's community is a source of strength and stability.

*Simhat Torah*, which immediately follows *Sukkot*, marks the end and the beginning of the annual cycle of Torah readings. It is a day filled with dancing, singing, and unbridled joy as Jewish congregations gather to complete the reading of the Torah and immediately begin it again. This cyclical nature of the Torah readings symbolizes the eternal and unbroken connection between the Jewish people and their sacred texts. This year, PBJC will be hosting a special *Simhat Torah* service in conjunction with the Religious School on Sunday morning, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. All are invited to attend our *Simhat Torah* celebration.

The importance of community during *Sukkot* and *Simhat Torah* extends beyond the rituals and festivities. These festivals also remind Jewish people of their responsibility to support and uplift one another. In today's fast-paced and often disconnected world, the emphasis on community during *Sukkot* and *Simhat Torah* serves as a valuable lesson for people of all backgrounds. It reminds us that in times of joy and hardship, the support and love of our communities are essential. Just as the *sukkah* offers shelter and the Torah offers guidance, our communities provide a sense of belonging and strength.

Speaking of community, please stay tuned to upcoming events through the Candlestick, our weekly emails, and viewing the calendar on the PBJC website as our committees are working hard in putting together a slate of activities. Our PBJC Membership Welcome Brunch is scheduled for Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. Please come in and socialize with old friends and even make some new friends while eating your bagel and lox. All are welcome to attend this "Back-To-PBJC" breakfast.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable start to the fall 2023 season and look forward to seeing everyone around PBJC in the days, weeks, and months ahead!

Onward and upward!

Seth

[president@pbjc.org](mailto:president@pbjc.org)

# THE PRESIDENT’S KOL NIDRE APPEAL

This month, I am solely focused on the *Kol Nidre* appeal. As always, 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. 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 *Kol Nidre* Appeal, please click on the link below and in the “Type” dropdown, choose “23-24 *Yom Kippur* Appeal” 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

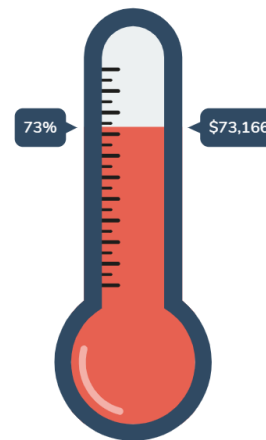
**100% Goal Target.** December 31, 2023

**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.

My 2023 President’s Appeal speech can be accessed in the link below:

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

GOAL: \$100,000



# EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

LISA LERMAN and JILL BUCKLER

Early Childhood Center Co-Directors

The beginning of a new school year is always an exciting time for both parents and children. There are so many emotions and new feelings as we adjust to being back at school or starting school for the first time. The 2023-2024 school year promises to be UNIQUE, and we will do everything we can to make it a fantastic year for all. Our staff is excited, enthusiastic and have worked very hard all summer to prepare to keep the children safe and engaged in a loving, fun environment. We are all looking forward to a wonderful, exhilarating year. The beginning of the year will be filled with meeting new friends, adjusting to new routines and taking part in many stimulating activities as we learn about the holidays we will be observing. Our preschoolers spent September learning about the very special holidays of *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*. We munched on apples and honey and sang festive new songs. We had a special visit in the *Sukkah* which we helped decorate and had our special snack there.

The children at PBJC ECC have jumped right into all of their classroom activities with tremendous enthusiasm! They participate in circle time, create holiday themed art projects, learn new songs, play on the playground... there is always something fun happening at the early childhood center! The children LOVE being outside. We take full advantage of the weather and our terrific play area. A big highlight of the week is celebrating *Shabbat* with the Rabbi and Cantor every Friday morning. This fabulous program began the second week of school.

The Giggle Zone is thriving this year! It is an expanded care program which 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. - 6:00 p.m. and is open during some holidays when the ECC is closed.

PBJC ECC is thrilled to announce that registration is now open for Intro to Preschool, a transition class for children who will turn 18 months old by January 1, 2024. This twice weekly class will begin in January. Please contact us for more information and registration. We can be reached at (973) 244 - 9800 x 212 or via our email [ecc@pbjc.org](mailto:ecc@pbjc.org).

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

Warm Regards,  
Lisa Lerman and Jill Buckler  
Early Childhood Center Co - Directors

# RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

MARY SHEYDWASSER

Educational Director

The first day of school is always filled with excitement, and this year was no exception. Words cannot do justice to how wonderful it was to see our halls filled again with “*ruach*”, spirit, on our first day of school. Many thanks to Sisterhood for donating items to our primary bags. It is our way of thanking our families for allowing our school to be a part of their child’s Jewish journey.

I would like to welcome our new families into our community! We now have 37 students enrolled in our primary (K-2) program, and 13 children in our Challah Day Program; **these children are our future, BRUCHIM HABAIM!** Please do not hesitate to contact me if you are interested in enrolling your child in any of our programs!

You are all aware that *Tefillah*, prayer, is a core element of our curriculum. We *daven*, pray together, and reinforce what the students’ study in the classroom. We end our Sunday sessions with *Havdallah*, a service that separates Shabbat from the hustle and bustle of our routine everyday activities. We use this opportunity to wish each other “*Shavuah Tov*”, a greeting for a good week ahead. To enhance our program, we are bringing in different melodies and encouraging our students to pursue their own spiritual journey.

We welcome parental input and participation as you are the essential partners in the process of Jewish education. We encourage you to discuss what your child learned in school and consider adding more Jewish customs and practices to your normal routine. If you are interested in helping us promote the highest standard of Jewish living in our Religious School, please contact the Education Committee Co-Chairs...Kim Stiller at [kim615@optonline.net](mailto:kim615@optonline.net) or Karen Kraut at [karenkraut@hotmail.com](mailto:karenkraut@hotmail.com).

Junior Congregation services are designed to give our Aleph, Bet, and Gimel (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) students the opportunity to participate and lead an abbreviated Shabbat Service geared to their level. The Dalet (6<sup>th</sup> grade) students are encouraged to attend services in the main sanctuary. It is the ideal vehicle to prepare the student for his/her Bar/Bat Mitzvah and is a necessary part of their education. Students will be able to accumulate credits for attending services as they learn and enjoy the process. We will be rewarding students who meet their obligations with a party!

We are very proud of our *madrichim* program. Teens volunteer their time every Sunday morning to work with our primary classes and our younger students who need reinforcement with their Hebrew reading. They leave behind indelible impressions and most importantly, the dedication, commitment, and enthusiasm for Jewish learning. *L’Dor V’Dor*, from one generation to the next, may they continue to go from strength to strength.

## Our month of October is filled with exciting programs and events, please mark your calendars:

1 <sup>st</sup>	No School / Sukkot	15 <sup>th</sup>	Madrachim Program begins
5 <sup>th</sup>	Pizza in The Hut for B’Yachad and Beyond (8 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> )	15 <sup>th</sup>	Junior Congregation party for students who fulfilled their 2022-2023 obligation
8 <sup>th</sup>	Simchat Torah Celebration 9:00 – 10:30	19 <sup>th</sup>	B’Yachad and Beyond (10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> ) begins
12 <sup>th</sup>	B’Yachad (8 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> ) begins	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Kitah Aleph (3 <sup>rd</sup> grade) Parent Orientation and Educational Workshop
14 <sup>th</sup>	Junior Congregation	24 <sup>th</sup>	Dinner and Movie Night for Kitot Dalet and Hey (6 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> grade) @ 6:00
15 <sup>th</sup>	Challah Day Program	28 <sup>th</sup>	Junior Congregation
15 <sup>th</sup>	Field trip to Fairfield Farms for our Primary Students (K-2 <sup>nd</sup> )	29 <sup>th</sup>	Kitah Bet (4 <sup>th</sup> grade) Parent Orientation and Educational Workshop
		31 <sup>st</sup>	No School

Mary Sheydwasser

# BAT MITZVAH

Lilia Jasinski  
October 14, 2023



On December 3, 2009 our sweet, beautiful baby girl Lilia Mari was born. She is our first child after we suffered a pregnancy loss, and her middle name means “a wished-for child” from the Hebrew name Miryam. After she made us parents, she showed us that what we thought was a full and satisfying life was truly lacking without the incredible lessons that parenthood teaches you about the world and ourselves. From the beginning we knew how loving, intelligent, sensitive and strong she was and continues to be.

Lilia is a kind and generous person with her friendships and causes she believes in. She will always offer a hand or better solution to those around her. She is a caring and considerate sister to her younger brother Julian, at least most of the time! She enjoys spending time with her two dogs cuddling and playing games.

Lilia is determined and dedicated, a self-starter and industrious worker. She loves learning, music, dance, art, crafts and now, tennis. Since she was a baby, she has always loved dogs and decided as her mitzvah project to donate her time to the Wise Animal Rescue a local organization that fosters dogs and cats and runs adoption and fund-raising events. She has also begun to use her creative and social networking skills to promote her town for the Towaco Civic Association on their Instagram account.

We are so proud of Lilia as she becomes a Bat Mitzvah. This is a journey she embarked on of her own volition two years ago. She has worked tirelessly on learning Hebrew and becoming more connected with her Jewish identity. We could not be happier for her as we celebrate her perseverance and the trajectory of future accomplishments.



# 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 we enter a new year, we would like to wish everyone a *Chag Sameach!* Sisterhood is excited to bring our Jewish community together with a lot of great programming events. Thursday, October 5 we will be having our annual kick-off event at 7 PM with lots of fun and food! This is a free event to get to know more about Sisterhood and what we can offer you throughout the year. We hope you can come and connect with us.

We are working on putting together some great programs in the next two months, so please look out for dates and times in the weekly announcements. First up we will be offering pickleball lessons with Wendi Light. We will be offering two classes for 8 people each. A morning class will be held on Friday, October 20 at 9:30 AM and an evening class will be held on Wednesday, October 25 at 7:30 PM. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

On October 26, we will be having a game night. You can bring any game you would like- scrabble, backgammon, Yahtzee as well as old favorites like cards and Mah Jong. We will have a learning table for Mah Jong as well. Look for registration information soon.

On Sunday, November 19 we will be hosting a breakfast with Men's Club and the Betty Crane Friendship Club. The morning will be special with the music of Carol King. We are looking forward to this wonderful event!

Please save the date for our Sisterhood Paid-Up event on the evening of Thursday, November 30! Our co-chairs of membership, Lauren Baumgarten and Samara Barness, are busy working on this event and we hope you are all able to attend!

PBJC ECC started classes on September 7 and Sisterhood was there to greet the new and returning parents with a welcome breakfast. It was great to see so many returning parents as well as new ones! Thank you to our wonderful *Zahava* co-chairs, Lauren Baumgarten and Paige Silverman, for all their hard work shopping for and organizing this event while getting their own children to school!

We also, have exciting news with a new program. We will be having a Sisterhood Book Club. Stay tuned for more information!

As always, we thank you for your continued support of Sisterhood and look forward to seeing you at our many events. If you would like to help and volunteer or have any questions or comments, please contact us!

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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

Coffee: Dunkin Donuts, Starbucks

Online: Amazon, LL Bean

Retailers: American Eagle, Barnes & Noble, Bloomingdale's, Dick's Sporting Goods, Gamestop, Limited, Macy's, Marshalls, Nordstrom, REI, Sephora, Ulta, Target, TJ MAXX

**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 Rabinico Latinoamericano,  
and Zacharias Frankel College.



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**Rabbi Ellen S. Wolintz-Fields**

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

# MEN'S CLUB

JAY THAILER

President

A group of enthusiastic Men's Club volunteers spent the day on September 22<sup>nd</sup> helping Habitat for Humanity build houses. It was a wonderful experience for all involved. Members were humbled to play a small part in helping to build what will be people's first homes that they, too, must work on in order to live in. Thank you to Phil Schachter for getting this project off the ground for the Men's Club. We plan to do this a few times a year going forward and will offer people the chance to sign up to help. Please look for more information on upcoming dates soon. Please enjoy some pictures of the experience on the following page.

We are looking forward to our first Men's Club Breakfast of the year on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM. In addition to enjoying a delicious breakfast, David Krell will be speaking to us about *Baseball, America, and the 1960s*. David is a former TV news producer and the chair of the northern New Jersey chapter of the Society for American Baseball Research (SABR). In his TV news career, he covered hot-button political stories including President Clinton's impeachment, the Bush vs. Gore case for the 2000 presidential election, and the Trump vs. Clinton 2016 presidential election. David is the author of four books and the editor of two anthologies regarding baseball history. He is often on the speaking roster for SABR conferences, the Cooperstown Symposium of Baseball and American Culture, and the Mid-Atlantic Nostalgia Convention. David began his media career as an attorney for Broadway Video, the production company for Saturday Night

His presentation will cover the extraordinary events that redefined the national pastime along with touchstones of the decade that transformed American culture. It's a fun, interactive journey that uncovers the power and legacy of the 1960s. Audience participation will be encouraged. There will also be trivia questions with prizes!

[CLICK HERE TO RSVP TO ATTEND](#)

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 about that 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

We wish everyone a happy, healthy 5784! We hope everyone had an easy fast.

On September 19th Carol Simon Levin of *Telling Her Stories* regaled us with the tale of Lillian Moller Gilbreth (1878-1972). Lillie was one of the most impressive and accomplished people of her time and was the role model for the popular book and movie *Cheaper by the Dozen* – Lillie was a mother of 12, a distinguished industrial psychologist with a Master's and a Ph.D., an engineer, and an inventor – truly a superwoman. In this presentation titled ***Mothers of Invention***, Carol also spoke about other fascinating and overlooked women innovators that history has forgotten including Margaret Knight (the 19<sup>th</sup> century "Female Edison") and Hollywood superstar Hedy Lamarr, who co-developed a radio guidance system for torpedoes, improved the traffic stoplight and created a tablet that when dropped in water made a flavored carbonated drink.

On October 3<sup>rd</sup> we met for lunch at noon at Elma's restaurant in Parsippany. This was a nice chance for people to relax and catch up in the new year.

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"**.
- 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 academics, but worked as an artist mainly in France where he was a member of the avant-garde movement.

Please see the following page for information on **joining the Friendship Club**. For those who need transportation to in-person events, if you reach out in advance we can arrange rides with members from your area. Please fill out and send in the form and join the PBJC Betty Crane Friendship Club for '23-'24.

If you have suggestions for future programs or want to help us out and join the Friendship Club Committee email us at [PBJCfriendshipclub@gmail.com](mailto:PBJCfriendshipclub@gmail.com).

Beth Fuchs and Fran Hoberman-Schenkel

973-886-2397

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# PBJC Betty Crane Friendship Club

## September 2023 – June 2024 Membership Form

The Betty Crane Friendship Club is open to local empty-nesters. One does not need to be a PBJC member or Montville resident. The Club meets monthly during the school year for entertaining and informative programs, although during the winter months a few of the programs will be virtual so that snowbirds can attend, and people can avoid going out in bad weather. Typically, the group takes an annual trip to a museum, a concert or the theatre. We also usually hold a luncheon and/or dinner event. During the two years of COVID the Club offered programming via Zoom free of charge (no membership dues were collected), but since the fall of 2022 most events have been in-person and we have resumed a formal membership process.

The Friendship Club's 2022-2023 programs included:

- John Kenrick presented ***West Side Story: We'll Find a New Way of Living.***
- We hosted the ***AARP Safe Driver Course.***
- Paul Cirillo shared ***Living on the International Space Station.***
- Dr. Butts discussed ***The Lasting Influence of the Jewish Musicians of the 1960s.***
- We visited "The Jewish Deli" exhibit at the NY Historical Society and enjoyed a deli lunch.
- Janet Mandel of ArtTalks ran a two part course titled ***Marc Chagall: Painting Poetry.***
- Rabbi Ron Isaacs presented ***Leonard Cohen, Judaism in Song.***
- Joel Farkas shared his lecture ***Remembering the Revolutionary War.***
- We ended with a ***Friendship Club Shabbat Dinner and Service.***

Additional past programs have included NY historian Marty Schneit, author Michael Gabriele, photographer Kevin Woyce, professional organizer Jamie Novak, and the Maccabeats, among others.

If you have any questions, suggestions for future programs or want to be more involved and join the Friendship Club Committee, please email us at [PBJCFriendshipclub@gmail.com](mailto:PBJCFriendshipclub@gmail.com). Don't forget to fill out the following form and mail it in!

## PBJC Betty Crane Friendship Club

To join the PBJC Friendship Club, please fill out the form below and mail it with a check made payable to **Pine Brook Jewish Center Friendship Club** (\$25 *per person* to defray the cost of refreshments and events; there will be additional charges for some events). Please mail form and annual dues to:

Pine Brook Jewish Center Friendship Club  
174 Changebridge Road  
Montville, NJ 07045-8800

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### FRIENDSHIP CLUB 2023-2024 MEMBERSHIP FORM

First and Last Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone (Person One): *circle* Home or Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Person Two): *circle* Home or Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address(es): \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently a PBJC Member: *circle* Yes or No

# 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.

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**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.

Carol Kotch  
Cell 201-400-5702  
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Email [cjknj@optonline.net](mailto:cjknj@optonline.net)

Sandy Gonzalez  
Cell 973-592-2831  
Email [sgonzalez@pbjc.org](mailto:sgonzalez@pbjc.org)

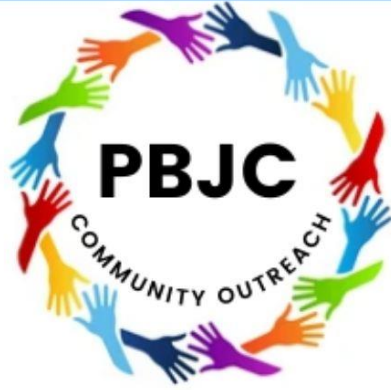
# COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEES

**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  
@PBJCCOMMUNITYOUTREACH**



# nourish.NJ

Louis Schwartz  
Chair



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.

The next fifth Sunday is **October 29<sup>th</sup>** . 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, October 29<sup>th</sup> 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 **October 29<sup>th</sup>**. 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. Thank you for your continued support.

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



Pine Brook Jewish Center  
Chevra Agudas Achim Anshy Pine Brook  
Established in 1896

# Don't Miss Out on Pine Brook Jewish Center's "Simhat Torah Celebration"



Join us as we all march around the synagogue  
and celebrate the gift of the Torah!

**Saturday, October 7, 2023**

in the Rabbi Krief Sanctuary

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

*Enjoy apples and chocolate after services, provided by Sisterhood.*

**Sunday, October 8, 2023**

9:00 AM

Religious School and Congregation *Simhat Torah* Celebration and Service  
including *Hakafot* (Parades), Torah (un)wrap, and Aliyot for all attendees

*Families can enjoy apples and chocolate after services, provided by Sisterhood.*

10:30 AM

*Simhat Torah* Service continues with *Haftarah* and *Musaf*

*Kiddush luncheon to follow.*

# UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

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

[Thursday, October 5 at 7 PM - Sisterhood Kick-Off Event](#)

[Thursday, October 12 at 10 AM - Deadline to Order Shabbat Dinner for Pick-Up on Friday, October 13](#)

[Thursday, October 12 at 7 PM – Zack Bodner Virtual Event: Why Do Jewish? A Manifesto for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Peoplehood via Zoom \(please RSVP\)](#)

[Sunday, October 15 at 10 AM - Membership Welcome Brunch \(please RSVP\)](#)

[Friday, October 20 at 9:30 AM – Sisterhood Pickleball Lessons with Wendi Leicht](#)

[Monday, October 23 – Deadline to Donate to the Soles4Soles Shoe and Sneaker Drive](#)

[Thursday, October 25 at 10 AM - Deadline to Order Shabbat Dinner for Pick-Up on Friday, October 27](#)

[Wednesday, October 25 at 7:30 PM – Sisterhood Pickleball Lessons with Wendi Leicht](#)

[Thursday, October 26 at 10 AM - Deadline to Order Shabbat Dinner for Pick-Up on Friday, October 27](#)

[Sunday, October 29 from 9 AM to 9:30 AM - Collection of Non-Perishable Food Items for nourish.NJ](#)

[Sunday, October 29 at 10 AM – Men’s Club Kick-Off Breakfast with TV news producer and baseball historian David Krell – Baseball, America and the 1960’s \(please RSVP\)](#)

[Wednesday, November 1 at 8 PM – Chevra Board Meeting](#)

[Saturday, November 4 - Honors Shabbat with Lifetime Award Honoree Jonathan Cohen \(please RSVP for the Kiddush\)](#)

## 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  
973-692-3087

Joshua Marchant  
Grade 11  
Age 16  
973-886-1029  
[joshmarchant714@gmail.com](mailto:joshmarchant714@gmail.com)

Eli Rosen  
Grade 11  
Age: 16  
973-840-9162  
[eliasrosen2@gmail.com](mailto:eliasrosen2@gmail.com)

Rebecca Rosen  
Grade 11  
Age: 16  
973-840-9163  
[rebeccarosen3@gmail.com](mailto:rebeccarosen3@gmail.com)

Evan Schachman  
Grade 12  
Age: 17  
973-917-9587  
[Evan.schachman@gmail.com](mailto:Evan.schachman@gmail.com)

Perri Schachman  
Grade 9  
Age: 15  
973-917-9777  
[Perri.schachman@gmail.com](mailto:Perri.schachman@gmail.com)

Elissa Schwartz  
Grade 9  
Age: 14  
973-519-2999  
[elissabries@gmail.com](mailto:elissabries@gmail.com)

Amanda Stiller  
(May be available when home during college breaks)  
Age: 18  
201-704-2976

# OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES and BIRTHDAYS

Happy Anniversary to...

10/2 – Michelle and Justin Esgar  
10/7 – Cory and Justin Solotoff  
10/9 – Sheila and Michael Kirsch, Tracey and Gary Warech  
10/11 – Rebecca and Sheldon Eisen, Robin and Laurence Kahwaty  
10/17 – Jill and Jason Bergman  
10/21 – Aileen and Jonathan Cabelly  
10/23 – Sandy and José Gonzalez  
10/26 – Pamela and Michael Weinstein  
10/27 – Julie and Howard Harris  
10/30 – Staci and Adam Handler

Happy Birthday to...

10/1 – Carol Berman  
10/2 – Matthew Kayne, Jeffrey Weiss  
10/3 – Benjamin Mittler, Jordan Schachman  
10/4 – Jordan Epstein  
10/6 – Jessie Goldman, Rachel Usatine  
10/7 – Julie Harris, Sharyn Nadel  
10/8 – Casey Silverman, Cecile Zohn  
10/9 – Eric Davis, Samantha Davis  
10/10 – Wallace Ferguson, Jane Spielberger  
10/11 – David Judovin  
10/12 – Chase Garb, Susan Lefkowitz  
10/13 – Eric Bernstein, Marian Lowenfish  
10/14 – Marian Kaufmann, Cooper Lawrence, Earl Rostoker  
10/15 – Loren Mendelsohn  
10/16 – Arlene Leicht, Reed Pasternack, Arnie Schancupp  
10/17 – Alexa Banks, Leah Seewald  
10/18 – Donald Rosenthal  
10/19 – Seth Pasternack  
10/20 – Jeffrey Mestel  
10/21 – Marshall Baines, Mindy Baker, Alan Sokaler, Frank Vallese  
10/22 – Padi Nazmiyal, Perri Schachman, Micah Schachter  
10/23 – Sophia Barnes, Gary Drillings, David Tlusty  
10/24 – Joan Abrutyn  
10/26 – Davis Edelstein, Alan Guildner  
10/27 – Benjamin Coletti, Andrew Reiser, Rachel Thailer  
10/28 – Edward Levy, Aidan Mach  
10/29 – Andrea Goldsmith, Barbara Goll  
10/31 – Pam Baron, Anna Kundel



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By: Sheryl and Howard Chesler  
In honor of Gail Feldman's special birthday

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In memory of his beloved parents,  
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By: Phyllis Gitlin  
In appreciation for Rabbi Finkel for the funeral and  
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By: Mimi Gitomer  
In honor of Gail Feldman's 85th Birthday  
Many more in good health

By: Leonard and Wendi Leicht  
Thank you for a beautiful service for  
Alex and Lauren's aufruf

By: Irma and Norma Resnic  
In honor of Rabbi Mark Finkel

By: Jack and Randy Wenarsky  
In celebration of a Sweet and Happy New Year

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Thank you for a beautiful service for  
Alex and Lauren's aufruf

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In honor of Rabbi Finkel's leading of  
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In celebration of a Sweet and Happy New Year

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In memory of her beloved mother, Beatrice Stoller

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In honor of Dylan and Ella Levy

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By: Elaine Blafer  
In honor of Gail Feldman on her 85th Birthday!  
Sending Mazal Tov, Good Health and lots of  
Love and Happiness!

By: Barry Marks and Isabel Margolin  
In memory of Phil Schachter's beloved mother,  
Ronni Vera

## **PRAYER BOOK FUND (LEV SHALEM)**

By: Ina and Mark Roffman  
In honor of Julie and Jeremy;  
In honor of Julie, Gary, Phoebe and Jada

By: Howard Youngman and Belinda Hecht  
In memory of Sylvia and Louis Youngman;  
In memory of Gertrude and Murray Hecht;  
In memory of Roy Dennis Youngman

## **PRAYER BOOK FUND (ETZ HAYIM)**

By: Diane and Frank Dalton  
In honor of Gail Feldman's 85th Birthday  
Mazal Tov and Best Wishes for many more  
in good health

## **NOURISH.NJ**

By: Susan Charnet  
In honor of Ilysa Berkowitz,  
wishing her a Happy Birthday

By: Diane Dalton  
In memory of her beloved aunt, Henrietta Friedman

By: Mimi Gitomer  
In memory of her beloved sister, Henrietta Friedman

## **SISTERHOOD GENERAL DONATION**

By: Seth and Randi Friedman  
In honor of Gail Feldman

By: Abby Guterman  
In honor of Gail Feldman's 85th birthday

**PBJC CARING COMMITTEE**

By: Diane and Frank Dalton and Mimi Gitomer  
 In honor of Ilysa Berkowitz on her birthday  
 With love and best wishes for good health and  
 happiness always

By: Carol Kotch  
 In honor of Pam Stoller for her kindness and  
 friendship; In honor of Sima and Abe Feder for  
 their kindness and friendship

By: Ina and Mark Roffman  
 In honor of Gail Feldman's 85th birthday

By: Nancy Stanton-Tuckman  
 In honor of Gail Feldman

**KIDDUSH FUND**

By: Susan Charnet

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 In memory of her beloved father,  
 Martin Gitomer, on his 20th Yahrzeit

By: Carol Kotch  
 In honor of Diane and Frank Dalton for  
 your friendship and generosity; In honor of  
 Sue Charnet for her friendship and generosity

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

**Yahrzeit Donation**

By: Barry Berger  
 In memory of his beloved father, Sol Berger

By: Susan Charnet  
 In memory of her beloved aunt, Mary Rosenberg

By: Stacey Garb  
 In memory of her beloved mother, Donna Greenberg  
 and her beloved father, Stephen Greenberg

**Yahrzeit Donation (Continued)**

By: Barbara and Abe Goll  
 In memory of Abe's beloved father, Sol Goldberg

By: Dale Greenfield  
 In memory of her beloved father, Lester Eisenstodt

By: Margaret Miller-Sanders  
 In memory of her beloved father, David A. Miller

By: Eleanor Schutzer  
 In memory of her beloved mother, Anna Jean Dworkin

By: Philip Schachter  
 In memory of his beloved uncle, Marc Alan Schachter

By: Howard Schenkel  
 In memory of his beloved father, Seymour Schenkel

By: Patty Shwartz  
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By: Marcia Neuhaus Speck  
 In memory of her beloved father,  
 Norman Sol Neuhaus

By: Francine Teitelbaum  
 In memory of her beloved father, Jack Altman

By: Natalie Wallach  
 In memory of her beloved father-in-law,  
 Bernard Wallach

By: Toby Wolfman  
 In memory of her beloved husband, Edwin Wolfman

By: Lester Wolfson  
 In memory of his beloved uncle, Morris Flax  
 and his beloved grandmother, Frances Wolfson

By: Ann Zych  
 In memory of her beloved father, Gilbert Kempner

**OUR CONDOLENCES TO**

Phil Schachter on the loss of his beloved  
 mother, Ronni Vera

# SISTERHOOD TRIBUTES

To: Sheila Basem –  
Wishing you a Happy Birthday  
From: Gail Feldman

To: Maxine and Barry Berger –  
Thank you for the lovely Kiddush Luncheon  
From: Diane Dalton

To: Bev Berkowitz –  
Wishing you a Happy Birthday  
From: Gail Feldman, Mimi Gitomer,  
Marge and Earl Rostoker, Marlene Scheinthal

To: Ilysa Berkowitz –  
Wishing you a Happy Birthday  
From: Gail Feldman

To: Ilysa Berkowitz –  
Wishing you a Speedy Recovery  
From: Diane and Frank Dalton

To: Sue Charnet –  
Wishing you good health and happiness in  
your new home  
From: Gail Feldman

To: Diane and Frank Dalton and Mimi Gitomer –  
Wishing you a Happy New Year  
From: Estelle Stein

To: Gail Feldman –  
Wishing you a Happy 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
Diane Dalton, Gay and Steve Gershberg, Melinda  
Kraus, Stephanie Kutlow, Sue and Gil Mandel,  
Ina and Mark Roffman, Marge and Earl Rostoker,  
Marlene Scheinthal, Fran Hoberman-Schenkel and  
Howie Schenkel, Estelle Stein, Myra Sumka, Ilene  
and Jay Thailer

To: Randee Fox –  
Wishing you a Happy Birthday  
From: Gail Feldman

To: Gay Gershberg –  
Wishing you a Happy Birthday  
From: Gail Feldman

To: Sandy Gonzalez –  
In memory of Michelle Paster  
From: Gail Feldman, Marlene Scheinthal

To: Alice Gordon –  
Wishing you a Happy Birthday  
From: Gail Feldman

To: Fran Hoberman-Schenkel –  
Wishing you a Happy Birthday  
From: Gail Feldman

To: Wendi and Lenny Leicht –  
Mazel Tov on Alex and Lauren's wedding  
From: Andrea and Joel Orris

To: Marian and Bob Lowenfish –  
Mazel Tov on your granddaughter  
Eliana's Bat Mitzvah  
From: Sheryl and Howard Chesler,  
Ina and Mark Roffman, Estelle Stein

To: Susana Mendelson and Darius Jasinski -  
Mazel Tov on Lilia's Bat Mitzvah  
From: Sisterhood

To: Marge and Earl Rostoker –  
Thank you for your friendship and thoughtfulness  
From: Diane and Frank Dalton, Mimi Gitomer

To: Nan and Alan Rothberg –  
Mazel Tov on your grandson's Bar Mitzvah  
From: Ina and Mark Roffman

To: Larry Tornow –  
Wishing you a Speedy Recovery  
From: Mimi Gitomer

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Please use the tribute card online ordering system for your convenience. The link is:  
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Rosanne Dawer  
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Vera Alexander  
Lena Goldstein  
Steven Massarsky  
Elsie Monk  
Harry Schrager

### 10/9/23 – 24 *Tishrei*

Max Arnofsky  
Mollie Disler  
Josephine Dubovy  
Shaoul Laniado  
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### 10/10/23 –25 *Tishrei*

Eleanor Alper  
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Rose Stein Shuster  
Henry Sirot  
Brian Weinberg

### 10/11/23 – 26 *Tishrei*

Sally Baker  
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Minnie Kriss  
Jeanette Lerner  
Nathan Meistrich  
Harry (Hyman) Thorner

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Donna Mendelson  
Harold A. Reisman  
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Vivian Dawer  
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### 10/14/23 – 29 *Tishrei*

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Leizer Daveed Frankel  
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Sol Obstler  
Roberta Phillips  
Chicky Rutenberg  
Samuel Stieber

### 10/15/23 – 30 *Tishrei*

Alfred A. Cohen  
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Robert F. Kramer  
Edna Yazersky

### 10/16/23 – 1 *Heshvan*

Laura Salkowitz Bermowitz  
Bernice Kleinman  
Jacob Liebeskind  
David A. Miller  
Saul K. Rose  
Abraham Sokol

### 10/17/23 –2 *Heshvan*

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Emanuel Louis Dorfman  
Abraham Lifschien  
Rudy Nazar  
Doris Schaechter  
Richard Scher  
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### 10/18/23 – 3 *Heshvan*

Sol Berger  
Samuel Blackman  
Sarah Ershowsky  
Morris Gralla  
Pauline Lerman  
Philip Richman  
Herman Shillin  
Marlene Teich  
Isadore Thorner

### 10/19/23 – 4 *Heshvan*

1st Lt. Abraham J. Apelhot  
Lester Eisenstodt  
Lewis Isador Fox  
Ruth Gold  
Sol Houtkin  
William Kauf  
Samuel Korn  
Abraham Rabiner

### 10/20/23 – 5 *Heshvan*

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Alfred Lerner  
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William Taitel  
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10/20 and 10/21**

**10/21/23 – 6 Heshvan**

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Harry Rosen  
Joseph Slipowitz  
Carol Zeitlin

**10/22/23 – 7 Heshvan**

Margit Gladtko  
Gertrude Goodman  
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Hyman Liebskind  
Arthur Modne  
Milton Sicherman  
Ala Storozum  
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**10/23/23 – 8 Heshvan**

Esther Laya Adelman  
Linda Colfin Alex  
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Sidney Gold  
Sam Goldman  
Marilyn Judovin  
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Ruth Segall  
Jack Weiss

**10/24/23 –9 Heshvan**

Harry Bernstein  
Max Chusid  
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Florence Wolfson

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Saundra Lesh  
Yecheil Meistrich  
Norman Sol Neuhaus  
Harry Schneider  
Hanna Steppel  
Frances J. Turner

**10/26/23 – 11 Heshvan**

Louis Julius Kanoff  
Millie Paster  
Rebecca Mary Rifkin  
Barry Alan Scheinman  
Ruth Unger  
Frances Wolfson

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Isaac Edwards  
Mildred Friedland  
David Grabell  
David Reinstein  
Edwin Wolfman

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Harry Goodman  
Steve Hay  
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Joseph Sheinis

**10/29/23 – 14 Heshvan**

Etta Brand  
Phyllis Geller  
Abraham Greenberg  
David Hirsch  
Harry Nifoussi  
Seymour Schenkel

**10/30/23 – 15 Heshvan**

Milton Brodsky  
Zachary Geller  
Raymond Lichtenberg  
David Minkoff  
Max Pollak  
Morris Sass  
Irving Seidman

**10/31/23 –16 Heshvan**

Harry Bailynson  
Julius Davidson  
Martin Glassman  
Abraham Moroch  
Frances M. Paster  
Fritzie Pasternak  
Gail Sonners

**11/1/23 – 17 Heshvan**

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Charles Fox  
Sylvia Rempell  
Louis Weiss

**11/2/23 – 18 Heshvan**

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Irving Markowitz  
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Daniel Rosen  
Benny Tucker  
Pittsburgh Shooting Victims  
Edith Weinberg  
Fannie Younger  
Morris Zerman

**11/3/23 – 19 Heshvan**

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Lawrence Block  
Anne Book  
Margaret Crane  
Celia Eckman  
Max Lasko  
Jack Lipson  
Aaron Moses Rosenthal