



# Beth Or Spotlight

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## March Worship Schedule

### Friday March 5 Shabbat Ki-Tissa

6:30 pm K, 1 & 2 Family Shabbat  
Worship – Zoom  
7:30 pm Shabbat Worship Service –  
Facebook Live

### Saturday, March 6

9:30 am Torah Study – Zoom  
10:45 am Mourners' Kaddish – Zoom

### Friday, March 12 Shabbat Vayakhel-Pedukei

7:30 pm Shabbat Worship Service –  
Facebook Live

### Saturday, March 13

9:30 am Torah Study – Zoom  
10:45 am Mourners' Kaddish – Zoom

### Friday, March 19 Shabbat Vayikra

7:30 pm Shabbat Worship Service –  
Facebook Live

### Saturday, March 20

9:30 am Torah Study – Zoom  
10:45 am Mourners' Kaddish – Zoom

### Friday, March 26 Shabbat Tzav

7:30 pm Shabbat Worship Service –  
Facebook Live

### Saturday, March 27

9:30 am Torah Study - Zoom  
10:45 am Mourners' Kaddish - Zoom

### Sunday, March 28

9:00 am 1st day Passover Service –  
Facebook Live  
5:00 pm Young Family Seder –  
Facebook Live  
6:00 pm 2nd Night Community  
Seder – Facebook Live

## April Worship Schedule

### Friday, April 2 Shabbat Pesah

6:30 pm 4th Grade Family Shabbat  
Worship – Zoom  
7:30 pm Shabbat Worship –  
Facebook Live

### Saturday, April 3

9:30 am Torah Study – Zoom  
11:00 am Last Day of Passover  
Service, Yizkor & Dedication of  
Memorial Plaques purchased in the  
last year

### Friday, April 9 Shabbat Shemini

7:30 pm Shabbat Worship  
Commemorating Yom Ha'Shoah –  
Facebook Live

### Saturday, April 10

9:30 am Torah Study - Zoom  
11:00 am Shabbat Worship with the  
Bar Mitzvah of Evan Nordlinger, son  
of Phil Nordlinger (Kim Marks) &  
Heather Nordlinger – Live Stream

### Friday, April 16 Shabbat Tazria-Metzora

7:30 pm Shabbat Worship  
Celebrating Yom Haatzmaut –  
Facebook Live

### Saturday, April 17

9:30 am Torah Study - Zoom  
11:00 am Shabbat Worship with the  
Bat Mitzvah of Emmy Brownstein,  
daughter of Erica Brownstein and  
Adam Brownstein – Live Stream

### Friday, April 23 Shabbat Aharei Mot-Kedoshim

7:30 pm Shabbat Worship Honoring  
Chai Members – Facebook Live

### Saturday, April 24

9:00 am Shabbat Worship with the  
Bar Mitzvah of Zachary Rosenberg,  
son of Marc and Samara Rosenberg  
9:30 am Torah Study – Zoom  
11:00 am Shabbat Worship with  
the B'nai Mitzvah of Dani Kundtz,  
daughter of Jason and Stephanie  
Kundtz and Benjamin Lewbart, son  
of Eric and Bonnie Lewbart – Live  
Stream

### Friday, April 30 Shabbat Emor

7:30 pm Shabbat Worship Service –  
Facebook Live



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# Finding Out Who We Really Are

Rabbi Gregory S. Marx, Senior Rabbi

Last year, I remember opening up my home Passover Seder to you, in the hopes of bringing some tradition and connections to your Seder. Even alone, I felt so connected to you; I felt that you were actually sitting with me at my Seder.

So here we are again approaching Passover. I remind you that the miracle of this holiday is in its retelling of the story, a mitzvah performed for 3000 years.

Moses tells the Israelites to *'Tell your children the story.'* Do it in the maximally effective way. Re-enact the drama of exile and exodus, slavery and freedom. Get your children to ask questions. Make it interesting. Take them on a journey



Rabbi Gregory S. Marx

using food. Be sure that you tell the story as your own, not as some dry account of history. Sing songs. Use puppets if your kids are young. Bring history alive.

## From the Rabbi's Desk

Moses tells us to "tell your children" not once but three times. It was later turned into the parable of four children.

*"It shall be that when you come to the land which God will give you as He said, and you observe this ceremony, and your children say to you, 'What does this service mean to you?' You shall say, 'It is a Passover sacrifice to the Lord, who passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt when He struck the Egyptians and spared our homes.'" (Ex. 12:25-27)*

*"On that day you shall tell your child, 'It is because of what the Lord did for me when I came out of Egypt.'" (Ex. 13:8)*

*"In the future, when your child asks you, 'What is this?' You shall tell him, 'With a mighty hand, the Lord brought us out from Egypt, from the land of slavery.'" (Ex. 13:14)*

Our Seder is not really about freedom, when you think about it. Freedom is the work of our nation. Freedom is what we experience as a community. The Seder is really about identity and that is the work of individuals, and we learn that identity through the stories we tell. We learn three things: Who am I? Why am I here? How then shall I live?

Twice before in recent times we sought to obliterate our individual cultural narratives. In the 17th and 18th century, there was a determined effort to create a world without identities. The Enlightenment focused on fact, science and reason, but it also taught that identity led to conflict, and that peace would only be realized if we lost our individual cultural identities. Identity throughout the Middle Ages was based on religion. But religion, was seen as leading to wars. First it was between Christians and Muslims. Then, following the Reformation, it led to war between Christian and Christian, Protestant and Catholic. Therefore, to abolish war one had to move beyond identity.

This universalism was later rejected. As if on a pendulum, by the mid 19th century, people returned to the identity of nationalism, religion, race and class. But, lacking a spirit of tolerance and respect, it led to wars in the 20th century motivated by the thoughts of Hitler and Marx.

Passover celebrates our history, but not at the expense of another. We taste the unleavened bread to realize that affliction is loss of self, and true bitterness is injustice towards the oppressed, and we diminish our cup of wine to empathize with those who suffer. Identity is needed, but not at the cost of the other. We are to welcome a stranger to our Seder and give that person a place of honor. The greatest gift we can give our children is not money or possessions but a story that leads to identity. We may still be celebrating in isolation, but telling our stories and remembering our journey, we will never be alone.



# New Task Forces Help Beth Or Prepare for the Future

*Josh Gottlieb, Beth Or President*

I concluded my column in the last Spotlight issue by telling you about the recently created Connections Task Force. To remind you, the overarching purpose of this Task Force is to look at how we will continue to connect with congregants other than in person in our building. Please note that a particular focus for this group is how we do this. What technologies, platforms and techniques work best for making these connections? And how do we best continue to do this, even after we begin to gradually move towards a greater presence back in our building?

I am pleased to now tell you about another important new task force - the Membership Task Force. First, let me point out what it is not. It is not our long-standing Membership Committee. That Committee has historically focused primarily on how to welcome and integrate new members into our community.



*Josh Gottlieb*

## President's Corner

The new Membership Task Force has a different mission that is uniquely focused on the future. This Task Force will work to find out why families choose to affiliate and also why some choose to leave Beth Or, whether after their youngest child becomes Bat or Bar Mitzvah, or at any other time. We will try to understand why fewer young families are joining Beth Or (or any other synagogue) and most important, what do current, future or potential members really want or need from their synagogue?

These are fundamental questions. They will provide answers that will guide how the clergy, lay leaders and staff lead our congregation into the future. But, let me emphasize that none of us involved in this effort will make such impactful choices like Oz behind the curtain.

We will be going about this in a new way. We will be using an approach called User-Centered Design (also known as human-centered design). Certainly, we will continue to choose a path that is consistent with our guiding principles as a reform synagogue and our mission/values. But, by utilizing the perspectives and techniques of User-Centered Design, we hope to develop a deeper understanding of the values and habits of our congregants, now and in the future. This in turn should enable us to design, with our members, programs, ideas and approaches that evolve and generate greater engagement because they come directly from their felt needs and values.

You will hear more about the work of this Membership Task Force throughout 2021. I sincerely hope that you will take the time to tell us what Beth Or means to you, and even what we could do new or differently that would resonate with you.

## March/April Candle Lighting

Friday, March 5 • 5:39 pm

Friday, March 12 • 5:47 pm

Friday, March 19 • 6:54 pm

Friday, March 26 • 7:01 pm

Friday, April 2 • 7:08 pm

Friday, April 9 • 7:15 pm

Friday, April 16 • 7:22 pm

Friday, April 23 • 7:29 pm

Friday, April 30 • 7:36 pm







Rabbi Jason Bonder

## From the Rabbi's Desk

**The debate about whether assimilation into American culture is good for the Jews has been vibrant for centuries now.**

# Connect to Judaism. For America's Sake.

*Rabbi Jason Bonder, Associate Rabbi*

I went to Jewish day school from kindergarten through the eighth grade. From the moment I entered the building until I left, I wore a *kippah* on my head. We had one small reprieve from this mandate during gym class. I still feel bad for all the teachers who taught right after gym. Inevitably their first words of every class were “boys, please put your kippot back on.”

Once school was out, the kippah came off. Why? Because I wanted to fit in. I wanted to look just like everyone else. I suspect that this feeling is one that many of us share. Some of us don our ritual garb inside Jewish space, but very few of us do so “out there” in the world. We might take it for granted these days that we are able to retain our Jewishness while also learning, fraternizing, and dressing in a worldly way. Yet it's not long ago that this phenomenon of living in both worlds was only a dream. To straddle the wall between Jewish space and the outside world was a triumph of religiously liberal Judaism and of Zionism of which we are the inheritors.

The American Jewish community has experienced acceptance in this country like never before. We have welcomed America's warm embrace by being fully American in how we speak, behave, and dress. The debate about whether assimilation into American culture is good for the Jews has been vibrant for centuries now. However, I want to ask another question. Is our assimilation best for America?

Jewish people have thrived here in America because of folks who were dedicated to the idea that America was a place for everyone, regardless of what language you spoke, how you worshipped, or how you dressed when you got off the boat from wherever you came. That is the America I wish for my children and generations beyond that. An America that celebrates diversity. By dressing like everyone else, talking like everyone else, consuming the same culture as everyone else, am I fostering my own vision of the America I hope for? Or am I helping to turn it into a competing vision of our country? The one of anti-Semites who wish that all of American looked the same, talked the same, and prayed the same? Anti-Semites wish we weren't here at all in this country, but they would settle for us being unseen and unheard. Are we doing them a favor?

I have been wrestling with these questions and I ask you to do the same. Think about what steps you might take to embrace your Judaism in the public square. Maybe you'd consider wearing a mezuzah or a Jewish star or Hebrew on your necklace? You might share an article from a Jewish publication on social media. Perhaps you might add some Israeli goods or kosher foods to your Instacart order. I know that none of these suggestions from a rabbi are earth-shattering, but they are on my mind.

I not only ask you to do these things to deepen your connection to Judaism. I ask this of you to join with me in building the America I dream of. I ask you to do this so that the beauty of the America that nurtured the successes of my great-grandparents shines on for generations to come.

# Doing Things “Virtually” is an Ancient Jewish Concept

*Cantor David Green*



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Jewish practices.**

With the challenges we all face during this pandemic, we have had to practice many aspects of our Judaism “virtually.” Weddings, funerals, shiva, Shabbat and High Holy Day services, Torah study, Life Long Learning and religious school classes are all done on Zoom.

Practicing Judaism virtually is not new. We may have not had laptops 2,000 years ago, but we still practiced Judaism virtually. Our “virtual” goes back thousands of years and it permeates many of our Jewish practices. This concept is described by Rabbi Joshua Heschel. He defines time in two ways:

Linear time is like what happened on December 7, 1941 and January 6, 2021. Then there is “Jewish time” which has no linear beginning or ending. Rabbi Heschel states: “Judaism is a religion of time aiming at the sanctification of time. Unlike the space-minded man to whom time is unvaried, ongoing, homogeneous to whom all hours are alike, the Torah senses the diversified character of time.”

I once had a discussion with a rabbinic student on a bus travelling from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv. He told me, I am having a discussion with Rashi and Maimondes every day. I asked him, how was that possible since they have been dead for centuries. He replied: They are not dead because their response on Judaism has no time limit. Their thoughts live forever, as long as we keep studying them. Indeed, that is what all 20 volumes of the Talmud exemplify. In other words, it is the Talmudic rabbis way of virtually studying together, regardless of time or physical location.

When we celebrate Passover, just a short time, part of our experience virtual. Shalom Orzach states: “In every generation a person is obligated to see themselves as if they came out of Egypt.” We each celebrate the Seder as if we were actually (or virtually) experiencing the Exodus. Maybe with vaccinations within a few months, we can practice our faith a little less virtually and as we say at the end of the Seder: “Next Year in Jerusalem.”



# 2021 Spring Fundraiser: Golf Outing Is On!

## Tuesday, May 25

We are pleased to announce that the 2020 spring fundraiser is back! And only one year late. Thanks for nothing pandemic! On Tuesday, May 25, 2021, the spring fundraiser for Beth Or will take place at the Huntingdon Valley Country Club. For the golf lovers out there, or for those who don't love it but like to play it, you can try your hand at the Huntingdon Valley golf course, currently ranked as one of the 10 best courses in Pennsylvania.



Even if you don't play golf, there are many other ways for you to participate and support your favorite congregation. Sponsorships at various levels are available which will give you, or your organization, publicity among our community. This is a great way to get your product or service noticed in the community to generate future business.

Due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns, we have had to downshift a bit. This year's event will include a round of golf, lunch and maybe a few pars. We are (still) honored to serve as the chairs of the 2021 spring fundraising event in support of Beth Or.

We are certainly not doing this ourselves. As the saying goes, it takes a village, or rather a committee, and we are thankful to have on our committee a group of hard-working dedicated members eager to make this a great event for all. So, get your foursomes together and keep an eye out for more details in the coming weeks. Or if you would just like to help with the event, let us know.

We look forward to seeing you on May 25!

**Stephanie and David Simon**  
2021 Spring Fundraiser Chairs







# Religious School NEWS

## Important School Dates

### Friday, March 5

K, 1, 2 Family Shabbat

### Tuesday, March 9

PB&J: Sustainable Jewish Food Choices — Family Ed with Mr. N

### Sunday, March 28

No School: Spring Break

### Friday, April 2

4th Grade Family Shabbat/2024 B'nai Mitzvah Kick-Off

### Sunday, April 4

No School: Spring Break

### Sunday, April 11

6th Grade Family Ed: 10 Reasons I'm Proud To Be Jewish with Rabbi Marx

### Sunday, April 25

4th Grade Naming Service

## Doing a Mitzvah

*Aaron Nienshultz, Director of Religious School*

It's been hard to feel like part of a community during the pandemic, and it's been even harder to get out and do mitzvot in our community. Dale Laing, one of our 6th grade teachers, was inspired in the lead-up to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day to emphasize the strength our community has when it comes to working together for a good cause.

Under her direction, our families were asked to assemble peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for Welcome Bread. Welcome Bread is a local church organization that brings peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to people in the Philadelphia area who are food insecure. This organization began during the pandemic and now thousands of sandwiches are made and delivered each week. Following safe practices, our students assembled sandwiches and dropped them at Beth Or on Dr. King Day. Ms. Laing then took them to Welcome Bread. Our students made over 400 sandwiches!

Mazal tov to our families for embracing this opportunity and to Ms. Laing for putting this can-do mitzvah together. We ARE stronger together—even when we're apart.



Aaron Nienshultz



Leonard & Madlyn Abramson Education Center

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# Think Spring

*Sara Baum, Early Childhood Director*

As we search for *chametz* and prepare our Passover tables in our homes, here at the Center for Early Childhood Education we clear the Goldfish crackers from our closets and prepare for our Passover experiences in the classrooms. We also begin to think of Spring and all the activities the warm weather brings. We begin to spend more time outside, plant the seeds for our summer gardens, and put away our boots for sandals.

The start of Spring also has us prepare for Camp Chaverim. This year, the theme for camp is OUT OF THIS WORLD! Contact the CECE office for information on camp registration. Please join us as we shoot for the stars this summer.



Sara Baum

**Mark your calendars with these important dates coming up in the next few months.**

- **March**
  - 3/5 – Munchkin Minyan honoring our 2 year olds and teachers
  - 3/22-24 – CECE Passover experiences in classrooms
  - 3/29 – 4/2 – CECE Spring break, Intersession for full time children
- **April**
  - 4/12-16 – CECE Israel Week



**Zipporah S. Abramson  
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## Camp Chaverim is

# OUT OF THIS WORLD

**Summer 2021**  
June 21-August 13

### Daily Activities Include:

- |             |                   |                 |
|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| ★ Water Fun | ★ Music           | ★ Theme Days    |
| ★ Sports    | ★ Outdoor play    | ★ Shabbat       |
| ★ Nature    | ★ Gardening       | ★ Cooking       |
| ★ Art       | ★ Weekly Specials | ★ So much more! |

**Save the Date:** Our Camp Open House is Wednesday, June 16 from 5 pm-6 pm.

**Questions?** Contact Sara – [sbaum@bethor.org](mailto:sbaum@bethor.org) or Sharon – [scarlin@bethor.org](mailto:scarlin@bethor.org) • 215-646-8869



**Camp Chaverim**

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Friendships Start Here



## Looking Toward Spring/Summer Outdoor Events



*Jillian Peskin*

### *Jillian Peskin, Director of Member & Youth Engagement*

As I've said in the past, my favorite part about my job is standing at the front doors and greeting all of you.

It's now been almost one year since we've really been together in person. The Purim Carnival of 2020 was our last big in-person gathering in the building. I really miss everyone! This year's drive through Worst Purim CARNIVAL Ever event was a great opportunity to start seeing (half) your faces again!

The past few weeks I have been back in the office (as opposed to working from my spare bedroom/office) and Millie has officially started daycare in our Center. I feel so safe here in the offices and in the Center. Everyone is following CDC guidelines and respecting personal space. It has been such a breath of fresh air to return to some sense of normalcy.

As the weather warms up this spring, I hope to be able to see some of you (or your kiddos) outside for events. We are planning more outdoor, COVID-safe youth events. We hope to be able to offer some YOBO programs outside as well. I also hope to see many of you this summer, or even down at the shore.

As the months get warmer and as more people are vaccinated, I am beginning to see a light into the future of getting back to the way things were. I look forward to seeing you all a bit more this year.



*Millie's first day in CECE daycare.*

*Jillian's first day back in the office.*



# Great Performances



Jaime Murley



## Cantor Jaime Murley, Junior Choir Director

Who remembers seeing their very first Broadway Show? I definitely remember. My parents, who were huge fans of Broadway, were so excited to introduce their youngest child (that's me!) to the lights and sounds of Broadway. We lived in Northeast Philly, and as we drove up to NYC, I remember them telling me all about the amazing scenery and incredible effects that I would witness on the stage in front of me. So, five year old, excited me, sat down in the red chair of the theatre, all ready for my first Broadway Show. The show was... *A Chorus Line*. The scenery consisted of one loooong piece of tape that went from one side of the stage to the other. I was bored out of mind, too young to appreciate what the singers were singing about, and realizing that I was trapped, having nothing much to look at, for three hours.

Thankfully, my parents took me back to Broadway many, many times and I finally got to see what they were talking about at shows like *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Cats*, *Phantom of the Opera*, *Les Miserables*, *Miss Saigon*, *Lion King*, and all the rest. The performers in these shows were my first "music teachers" and what I think ultimately contributed to my love of music. Don't miss more stories like this one at the

many-times-postponed, much-anticipated Cantors' Concert on March 14 at 5pm, when Cantor Green and I will perform some of our favorite Broadway, Motown, Disney, Pop, and movie songs. We can't wait to see you there (on Facebook live!).

Speaking of amazing performances, I'd like to thank all the people involved in this year's unforgettable Purimshpiel, "*Shushan in Quarantine*", written and created by our Chai Notes teens!

Thank you for all of your hard work and for thinking outside the box! Yasher Koach to everyone who was involved!

## Shushan In Quarantine

**Edited by:** Cantor Jaime Murley

### Cast:

King Achashverosh: Melissa Miller

Vashti: Gabby Miller

Mordechai: Holly Weiner

Haman: Victoria Rabin

Esther: Kira Weiner

**Chai Notes singers and cast extras:** Samantha Levin, Leah Brouda

**Technical assistance and extra** – Ryan Voron

**Junior Choir singers:** Noah Haaz, Noa Murley, Darwin Murley Shoshana, Cantor Ava Pokedoff, Rachel Wasserman, Jack Wasserman, Alexis Stirling, Eli Berman, Caroline Biberman, Rachel Jasner, Emily Forti

**Special thanks to Rabbi Marx for the amazing cameo!!!**



# Meet Our B'nai Mitzvah Students

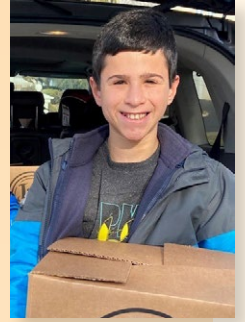
## Evan Nordlinger April 10

For my Mitzvah project I ask you to make a donation to **Nefesh B'Nefesh: The Lone Soldier Program**. This program was created to help the soldiers who come from other countries to defend Israel. I think it is important to show kindness and compassion to these soldiers because they chose to leave their homes and help defend Israel. The soldiers can get lonely and homesick and this program helps them feel like they have a home away from home. The soldiers are acting on their faith and depending on their leaders. It shows great compassion to support these brave people since they have such a challenging job. The job is even more challenging now during this global pandemic. Thank you for your consideration of supporting the Nefesh B'Nefesh program and you can support it here: <https://www.fidf.org/how-we-help/lone-soldiers>.



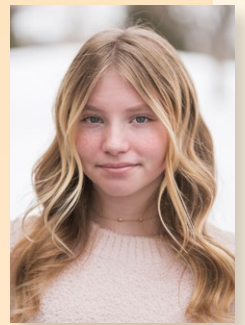
## Benjamin Lewbart April 24

For my Mitzvah project I am delivering boxes of food from **JRA (Jewish Relief Agency)** to families in need. JRA assists more than 3,000 low income households in the Philadelphia area. Lots of people come to JRA and volunteer to help out and I am proud to be one of them! Volunteering at JRA makes me feel very happy and satisfied because by giving just 2-3 hours of my day, I can make so many families' weeks!



## Dani Kundtz April 24

I am working with **Furry Tales Animal Rescue** for my Mitzvah Project. Their goal is to save the lives of homeless animals by pulling them out of unwanted homes and shelters and fostering them until they are able to find a good, permanent home. I am collecting blankets and towels to help families who are fostering in their home.



## Emmy Brownstein April 17

For my Mitzvah project I became part of a volunteer network of over 16 different groups throughout our area. We made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches! Once a week my family and I would gather in our kitchen and package peanut butter sandwiches for people who suffered from food insecurity. After we packaged our sandwiches, we would drop them off to be distributed at **Project Home**. The mission of Project Home is empowering adults, children and families to break the cycle of homelessness and poverty. Throughout the pandemic, many food banks and pantries were closed. The peanut butter and jelly sandwiches helped to meet the need until social service agencies, food banks and pantries re-opened. I enjoyed this work as well as this time with my family.



# Mazel Tov

## Beth Or Members Have a Reputation of Giving... Even During Challenging Times

Year-round we see Beth Or congregants give of themselves. It takes different forms but always revolves around a commitment to help those in need, mend the brokenness in the world, and support our community.

Some members volunteer for leadership roles. Others donate essentials like food and clothing. Our Religious School and B'nai Mitzvah students always make us proud of their projects. Sisterhood and Brotherhood initiatives continue to gain momentum and improve others' lives, and our outreach to residents of senior care facilities and homeless shelters has increased. This is a shortlist, as our partners have included dozens of organizations throughout the region and across the U.S. The past 12 months have been even more special as we witnessed our congregational family's undeterred commitment to give, even when challenges hit home.

We wish our Beth Or family to go from strength to strength. May our lives be strengthened, and may our holy community continue to grow!

### Mitzvas Day 2020

We want to take this opportunity to thank our 2020 Mitzvas Day leadership team and recognize the amount of giving that took place on December 25. Todah Rabah to Paul Brooks, Shari Coltoff, Mona Gold, Beth and Bernie Johl, Susan Silverstein, Rachel Steinberg, Jillian Hillman, and Bev Weinberg. Our sincere appreciation to volunteers who delivered to OUR CLOSET: Dave and Alyson Gass, Elisabeth Hess, Susy Krimker, Marv Schwartz, Rachel Steinberg, and Ellen Werther.

Mitzvas Day giving included **150+ oversized bags for OUR CLOSET, two full carloads of donations for ST. CHRISTOPHER'S HOSPITAL, a trunk full of personal hygiene products for DISTRIBUTING DIGNITY, dozens and dozens of children's coats and scarves for FAMILY MATTERS, and more than 150 breakfast bags for MANNA ON MAIN STREET.**

The Social Action Committee thanks Rabbi Marx, Rabbi Bonder, Cantor Green, Cantor Murley and Aaron Nielsenshultz for their spiritual messages that guide the Committee's work year-round. Special thanks to Amy Abrams, Jill Bascove, Barbara Murtha, Jillian Peskin, Judy Trias, and Ellen Wichterterman for their top-notch communications that support our efforts.

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# Beth Or Cares: Spotlight on Autism

## April is Autism Awareness Month

What does it mean to be on the spectrum? What is autism? Are people with autism different? Can people with autism get a job? Keep a job? Lead fulfilling lives?

These are all good questions. Many of us face this daily. The stigmatism of autism can be daunting. Many parents feel that even as they do all they can for their child with autism, they are continually struggling with how best to respond to the needs of the family as a whole. A child's autism diagnosis affects every member of the family in different ways.



Autism is a complex, lifelong developmental disability that typically appears during early childhood and can impact a person's social skills, communication, relationships, and self-regulation. Having a child on the spectrum can feel overwhelming, especially in COVID times like these.

Do you ever feel alone? Do you ever feel that no one else understands? Parents must now place their primary focus on helping their child with ASD, which may put stress on their marriage, other children, work, finances, and personal relationships and responsibilities. We, the parents, must guide our children to understand and practice self-advocacy to promote independence, manage sensory differences, understand emotions and expression of them, "understand the unwritten rules" of social settings and

work settings and navigating e-communications.

To this, we would like to offer an initial setting to be guided by a few experts in the field and then allow time to open-up with each other to share experiences and questions. Please look in your weekly Chai Lights email for the link and time of the upcoming Sunday session where you can let your hair down and be yourself, feel safe and share with each other. This will be a 2-part series; first education and sharing, and second, a support session for each other where we will break out into rooms depending on the topic. Topics will range from primary education, secondary education, moving into the workforce, and independent living. Attendees may have one or more child in different aspects of their lives, and this support is one way to get connected and realize that we are not alone. Our feelings matter and how we can help each other will make each of us stronger..

### Stu Briefer

*Beth Or Cares is a new community impact initiative where a different cause is highlighted each month throughout the year to spread awareness, provide resources, help save lives and support members within the Beth Or community who are in need. Contact Stu Briefer, [smbriefer@gmail.com](mailto:smbriefer@gmail.com), with any questions.*



# GET CONNECTED: Beth Or Business & Career Network

GET CONNECTED is Beth Or's business and career networking group. The goal of the group is to bring together congregants who are looking to develop their professional network, meet new people, and help others who may be in transition in their careers. When the group formed in 2019, we hosted several well-attended and well-regarded events in-person at the synagogue. We held breakfast events where congregants noshed on bagels during enlightening presentations from panelists. We sipped on wine during evening conversations about how to be better on LinkedIn. We also passed business cards to each other in case any of us needed our professional services. Members benefited from these events as new bonds were built, business leads were identified, and jobs were found.

The Pandemic did not derail our group. The first instinct was to pull back and table the group until we could get back to normal in-person. But, we decided to press on and bring our networking energy to Zoom. Today, we have regular monthly meetings where 25 or so congregants gather to discuss their businesses, best practices, and employment needs. We have a lot of fun and we are learning a lot. ...not just about our businesses, but also about each other.

Recent meetings have featured several of our group members making interesting and enlightening presentations to the group to highlight their specialty. In December, **Gary Kurtis presented his new "Sales Tips 101" business, where he covered best practices for selling and networking during the pandemic.** In January, **Joanne Lublin presented excerpts from her new book "Power Moms: How Executive Mothers Navigate Work and Life".** In February, **Jennifer Shemtob discussed how she started and grew her tutoring business — Teacher Time to Go — during COVID-19 and the effects of the current environment on teaching and learning.** Interesting stuff!

The best news of all is that this group is free and all members in good standing are welcome. This is a benefit of membership to our synagogue. There is only upside here. Other networking groups like BNI or LeTip can cost several thousands of dollars a year to take part in a networking group of roughly a similar size. We feel like we can do it better, or be a nice complement to your current networking...especially when we are back in the building when we really can have some fun.

So, if you are looking to potentially pick up some business from some synagogue members who may need your services or are in need of a job and would like to tap into our network for leads, we have a home for you at GET CONNECTED! Please join me on the 2nd Monday of every month — you won't be disappointed!



*Evan Segal, GET CONNECTED Chair*

# Beth Or Brotherhood

## Brotherhood Strong... Brotherhood Proud

*Allan Posner, Brotherhood President; Mark Pokedoff & Evan Segal, Membership Co-Chairs*



*Allan Posner*



Brotherhood would like to thank and welcome all our new members as well as those who decided to be a part of our group again this year. During these most trying times it would have been easy to cross off Brotherhood Mensch or Regular Membership Dues from your annual statement. By opting to forward your dues, you have made a decision to keep our group vibrant despite the continuing pandemic.

Some may ask, "Why belong if this year has been fairly silent and just what will paying my dues do for me?" The question should really be, "what will my dues do for others?" Under the leadership of Mark Pokedoff and Evan Segal, Brotherhood's membership committee chairs, our organization has become stronger through increased participation over the past few years. If you are not yet a member, we encourage you to consider joining.

Brotherhood is a men's group within Beth Or which gets together regularly to do good things within our community and to socialize for personal relationships and professional development through Beth Or's GET CONNECTED Business & Career Network.

Regarding our recent philanthropic efforts, over the past year we spearheaded donations of thousands of dollars to groups like Manna On Main Street, Mattie Dixon Food Cupboard, Mitzvah Circle Foundation, and others. We performed this mitzvah twice, as recently again as this past January. We also delivered meals during the pandemic to healthcare workers at Abington-Jefferson Hospital.

While COVID-19 set back our efforts to get together in person as a group, we enjoyed many fun virtual activities since last March and look forward to many more once restrictions are lifted.

An event we are most proud of is our largest social and charitable annual event: The Beth Or Brotherhood Annual Dinner and Silent Auction. While we canceled 2020's program due to the pandemic, we look forward to the return of this great night of fun and fraternity in 2021 and welcome Sarge!

As things continue to settle down, we hope to bring back some of our most popular events such as Bury The Hatchet, Boardroom Spirits and our BBQ and Beer Bash.

We hope you will consider joining us for these and other Brotherhood and Beth Or events. We also encourage you to join us at our monthly meeting, which we have been holding via Zoom.

Our annual membership fee is a bargain for all Brotherhood has to offer. As a member we will keep you up to date with weekly Brotherhood Notes editions via email.

If you would like to speak with Mark about membership, email him at [mdpokey@aol.com](mailto:mdpokey@aol.com) or 215-601-1551.

Thank you Mark and Evan!

## KOSHER WINE SALES

Now you can purchase kosher wine all year long and benefit Beth Or! Use the Beth Or affiliate link on [kosherwine.com](http://bit.ly/BethOrBrotherhood): <http://bit.ly/BethOrBrotherhood> or click the KosherWine symbol on the bottom right side of the Beth Or website home page, "Connect With Us" section.

**5% of all sales given back to Brotherhood to benefit Beth Or programming!**

Questions? Contact [info@bethorbrotherhood.org](mailto:info@bethorbrotherhood.org).





# Beth Or Sisterhood

## God's Loving Presence Rests within Everyone; the Goal is to Harness it

Lois Lambersky, Sisterhood President

***"Imagine you could open your eyes to see only the good in every person, the positive in every circumstance, and the opportunity in every challenge."***

These are the words of Rabbi M.M. Schneerson, an esteemed figure in Judaism. Rabbi Schneerson was a respected leader in the Chabad- Lubavitch movement who was honored by Senate leaders after his death in 1994 with the Congressional Gold Medal recognizing his work in education, morality and charity. His words promoted hope, helping others and seeing potential in all individuals. Simple Jewish goals to sense God's loving presence in everyone and every situation.

Passover is but a few weeks away, a holiday celebrated all over the world, as generation after generation retells the story of the Exodus of the Israelites from Egypt and their escape from slavery. We celebrate the survival and perseverance of the Jewish people through special meal rituals, reading from the Haggadah and singing songs. Simple acts done to remember the past and ensure our people flourish in the future.

Some modern Passover celebrations have included special Social Justice segments within their Haggadah. Yearly, Jewish Foundation for the Righteous publishes a supplemental Haggadah honoring non Jewish heroes of the Holocaust. In March 2017, biblical heroines such as the Egyptian midwives, Shifrah and Puah with Pharaoh's daughter, were recognized in such a supplement for their refusal to follow orders to kill Jewish male newborns and ultimately allowed Miriam to raise Moses who ultimately defied Pharaoh. Simple lessons in compassion and courage from these biblical heroines are timeless.

Beth Or Sisterhood holds a Unity Seder each year where ladies of various backgrounds and spiritual faiths come together to learn from each other and support one another through a model Seder. This year we will celebrate Passover, separate yet together, through Zoom. Our Sisterhood remains strong, resilient, and dedicated to maintaining connections with our members and our community partners no matter what obstacles this world throws our way. Simply put, we believe in and support our fellow women in their spiritual journey whether it is similar or different than our own.

We hope you can join us on Sunday March 7 at 2pm. RSVP to Ellen Mirbach, [semirbach@gmail.com](mailto:semirbach@gmail.com).



Lois Lambersky



**Sisterhood**

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- Children's Toys and Games
- Baby Gifts
- Occasion Cards

#### Hours:

Currently open by appointment only, Monday - Thursday, 9 am - 2 pm. Contact Holly Green (215-805-8597) or email [tarshisgiftshop@gmail.com](mailto:tarshisgiftshop@gmail.com) to schedule your appointment.

Discounts available for Sisterhood Members and Beth Or Staff | Great Monthly Sales and New Arrivals



# Fun & Games & Community on Display at Beth Or's Worst Purim CARnival Ever!

**Sunday • 02.21.21**

When life gives you lemons, Beth Or turns it into lemonade! *Yasher Koach* to everyone involved in putting together a fantastic time to celebrate Purim in a COVID-safe way at our first-ever drive thru carnival! We were thrilled to see so many smiling faces (behind masks, or course) in person. Thank you to everyone who attended the Purim CARnival and generously donated to help impact the greater community.

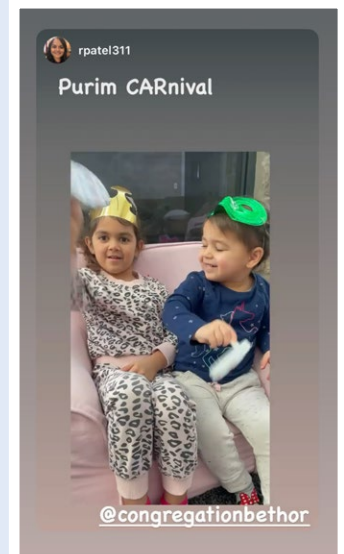
02.21.21 is a day that will be remembered for years to come!



Mr. N gave out Tootsie Pops at the AchashveROSH HASHANAH station.



Gift bags and Purim wishes given out at Mishloach My (Gift) NOTES station.

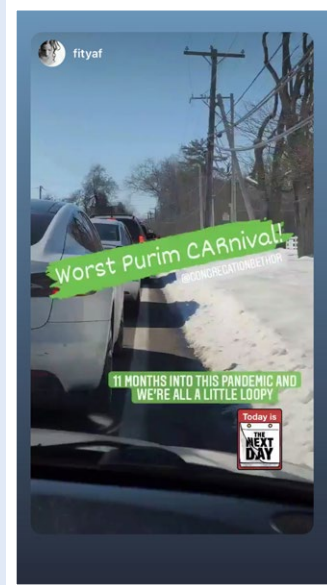


Volunteers getting ready for the Drive Thru crowd to arrive.





Horns honked and groggers were used when Brotherhood said HEY MAN (Haman)!



Congregants patiently waiting their turn to participate.



YOBO ran the Car VAShti station and decorated car windows.



## 2021 Purim CARnival by the numbers:

**10** Fun & "Pun" stations

**40** Staff & Volunteers

**200+** Cars filled with Beth Or Families

**300+** Mishloach Manot Gift Bags & Wishes for Friends Distributed

**3** Carloads of Paper Goods donated to IHN & Hope Gardens

**2** Carloads of Non-perishable Food donated to Manna on Main Street

**580** Pairs of Shoes donated to Shoes4Soles

**\$950** donated for Youth Group programming





Canned and non-perishable food donations piled up throughout the day.



At Sisterhood's SHOE SHINE station, donated shoes benefited Soles4Souls.



Hundreds of donated paper goods were dropped off at GIVE MOREdechai, run by Social Action.



Groggers and stickers were given out by the CECE & Camp Harlam at Mr. GROGGERS Neighborhood.



Toss the TP in the basket - a COVID-19 appropriate carnival game!



Families commemorated the day at the final station — a photo booth.





Cantor Murley entertained at the Esther(ICAL) Comedy Club station.



Games & Prizes with YOBO.



At the Drawing of (Parking) LOTS station, participants entered to win prizes.



Everyone was happy to see Rabbi Marx!



Groggers in use — must have seen Hey Man (HAMAN)!



Rabbi Bonder joined by volunteers to greet families as they arrived.



# Virtual and In-Person Events

## BROTHERHOOD/SISTERHOOD EVENTS

### Women's Virtual Unity Seder

**Sunday, March 7 • 2 pm**

Pour yourself a glass of wine and join Sisterhood for our 5th annual Unity Seder. We will come together for a model Seder, because our Exodus as women of faith is not complete until all are free. Please Zoom in to support and learn from each other's journeys. RSVP to Ellen Mirbach, [semirbach@gmail.com](mailto:semirbach@gmail.com) by March 3 to receive list of supplies and the Zoom link. Contact Lori Motis, [lorimotis@aol.com](mailto:lorimotis@aol.com), with any questions.



### Brotherhood Passover Wine Sale – Pick up at Beth Or

**Sunday, March 21 • 10 am - 12 pm**

Stock up on a delicious assortment of kosher-for-Passover wine for your Seder table. Email your order to Marty Tarabar, [mtarabar@msn.com](mailto:mtarabar@msn.com) or call Marty at 215-622-0738 to place your order to pick up at Beth Or on 3/21 (outside the main entrance doors). **All orders must be placed in advance.** Wine will be packaged for easy pick up. Payment can be by check, credit card, venmo or cash.

You can also order from over 700 varieties of wine by clicking the [kosherwines.com](http://bit.ly/wine2020) logo on the bottom right corner of the Beth Or website home page or using the link <http://bit.ly/wine2020>. When ordering online, wines are shipped directly to your home. Proceeds benefit Religious School programming.

### Beginner Zentangle Class with Sisterhood

**Thursday, March 18 • 7 pm – 8:30 pm**

Certified teacher, Mindy Shapiro, will guide participants through a lesson in the art of Zentangle – a spiritual art practice which enhances mindfulness and self-awareness, decreases stress and calms the mind. Zentangle is creative meditative and fun. Cost: \$25/person (check) or \$28/person (paypal). Visit the website calendar listing for paypal payment link. RSVP to Ellen Mirbach, [semirbach@gmail.com](mailto:semirbach@gmail.com) by March 11 in order to get materials in time. Once payment and RSVP are received, Ellen will email the Zoom meeting link.



### Spring Fling Bazaar

**Sunday, April 18 • 9 am – 2 pm (Rain Date: Sunday, April 25)**

Come to the Beth Or parking lot to shop and help support a variety of local vendors and artisans during this outdoor event sponsored by Sisterhood. Vendors include children's books, stained glass & Judaic gifts, Lularoe, sports

memorabilia, women's & children's clothes, fashions for dolls and so much more! Food will be available and raffles, too. For health & safety of our vendors, volunteers and attendees, masks and social distancing will be enforced. Contact Sherry Spector, [sspector1949@gmail.com](mailto:sspector1949@gmail.com), or Faye Benshetler, [febx@comcast.net](mailto:febx@comcast.net), if you would like to become a vendor or have any question about the bazaar.

## GET CONNECTED: BETH OR BUSINESS & CAREER NETWORK

Beth Or's business & career group meets on the 2nd Monday of each month (on Zoom for now) to network, brainstorm, and build meaningful relationships that may help grow our businesses or help us find our next career or job. All Beth Or members are welcome to join us every month or just pop in when a topic intrigues you. Contact Evan Segal, [evan@segalfinancial.com](mailto:evan@segalfinancial.com) with any questions or topic ideas.

### Networking Events

**Mondays, March 8 & April 12 • 7pm – 8pm**

Check your weekly emails for each month's topic and featured guest!

## ISRAELI MOVIE NIGHTS

### Heading Home: The Tale of Team Israel

**Film Screening: Wednesday, March 17 – Sunday, March 21**

**Film Discussion: Sunday, March 21 • 7 pm**

*Heading Home* is a stirring story of sports, patriotism and personal growth. The film charts the underdog journey of Israel's national baseball team competing for the first time in the World Baseball Classic. Screen the movie for free from your home in advance. Then, join Rabbi Bonder and two special guests, Israel Baseball's Olympic team manager, Eric Holtz and Olympic Third Base Coach, Nate Fish. Watch these three former neighbors connect (Eric and Nate were roommates as players in the 2007



Israel Baseball League. Rabbi Bonder lived right next door to them!) for an informative and lively discussion about the film and their insiders' perspectives. This film and discussion are appropriate for baseball enthusiasts and players of all ages. The film link will be posted to the website calendar listing on 3/17 and available through last start time 3/21 at 4:30pm. Register for the 3/21 Zoom discussion through the web calendar or your weekly Chai Lights email.



## The Keeper

**Film Screening: Thursday, April 8 – Tuesday, April 13**

**Film Discussion: Tuesday, April 13 • 7 pm**

Screen the film, *The Keeper*, for free from your home starting Thursday, April 8. Then, join Rabbi Marx for an indepth discussion on Tuesday, April 13. The film link will be posted to the website calendar listing on 4/8 and available through last start time 4/13 at 4:30pm. Register for the 4/13 Zoom discussion through the web calendar or your weekly Chai Lights email.

### About the film:

*The Keeper* tells the incredible true story of Bert Trautmann, a German soldier and prisoner of war who, against a backdrop of British post-war protest and prejudice, secures the position of Goalkeeper at Manchester City, and in doing so becomes a footballing icon. His signing causes outrage to thousands of fans, many of them Jewish. But Bert receives support from an unexpected direction: Rabbi Alexander Altmann, who fled the Nazis. Bert's love for Margaret (Freya Mavor), an Englishwoman, carries him through and he wins over even his harshest opponents by winning the 1956 FA Cup Final, playing on with a broken neck to secure victory. But fate will soon twist the knife for Bert and Margaret, when their love and loyalty to each other is put to the ultimate test.



## LIFELONG LEARNING:

**PB&J – “Plant Based & Jewish” with Aaron Nienshultz**

**Tuesday, March 8 • 7 pm – 8 pm**

Aaron Nienshultz will teach us what Judaism says about food and how our food choices can be good for us AND for the world. We'll explore healthy eating, sustainable food, and even plant-based eating choices. Visit the web calendar listing or check your weekly email for Zoom link.



## Beit Sefer Café

**Tuesday, March 16 • 6:30 pm – 9 pm**

Our annual night of learning has moved on-line this year. Participation is easy. Simply pre-register for the Zoom classes that interest you. Once you register, you will receive a confirmation email with the Zoom meeting link for that class. Visit the web calendar listing for Beit Sefer Café to view the class descriptions and find the Zoom registration links for each class.

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**BEIT SEFER**  
*Café*

### SCHEDULE:

**6:30 pm – 6:45 pm: Opening session with Rabbi Marx & Interactive Activity**

Rabbi Marx is joined by guest mixologist, Laurie Marx, to create one or two of Laurie's favorite drinks. Alcoholic and non-alcoholic recipes will be provided in advance so you can have your ingredients on hand to participate in the fun.

**6:45 pm – 7:45 pm: Class Session 1**

- **Matriarchs, a Prophetess, and A Judge Walk into a Café in Tel Aviv...** with Rabbi Jason Bonder
- **What is Jewish Art?** with Larry Silver (UPenn emeritis Art History Professor)
- **Genealogy Basics** with Moriah Amit (Senior Genealogy Librarian, CJH) & Tyi Marx (Reference Librarian, CJH)
- **Let's Make Breakfast!** with Alyson Gass

**7:45 pm – 8 pm: Break**

**8 pm – 9 pm: Class Session 2**

- **Good Religion/Bad Religion** with Rabbi Gregory S. Marx
- **Iran, Israel and the United States: A View from History** with John Ghazvinian (UPenn Middle East Center Exec. Dir.)
- **Preserving Your Family Photos and Documents at Home** with Tyi Marx & Moriah Amit

Contact Barbara Murtha, [bmurtha@bethor.org](mailto:bmurtha@bethor.org), with any questions in advance of the event. Contact Don Berry, [dberry@mac.com](mailto:dberry@mac.com), 215-654-0447 or <https://zoom.us/j/519436096>, if you need help on the night of the event.

Beit Sefer Café is sponsored by the Allen Apter Memorial Endowment for Lifelong Learning Fund.

## News & Nosh with Rabbi Marx

**Sunday, April 19 • 10 am – 11 am**

Join Rabbi Marx for an open and informative discussion on today's events affecting the larger Jewish community and our role in and beyond local politics. Visit the website calendar for the Zoom meeting link.

# Virtual and In-Person Events

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Virtual Israel Tour

**Tel Aviv: Thursday, March 11 • 7 pm – 8:30 pm**

**Ramon Center: Thursday, April 1 • 7 pm – 8:30 pm**

Our popular virtual exploration of Israel continues on the first Thursday of each month through May 2021. Our Israeli Tour Guide, Rotem Shahr, shows us the sites and stops along the way for an interactive discussion. Join us for all of the destinations along our journey, or just come on the months that you can. Register for the Zoom link on the website calendar listing. You only need to register the first time you join us.

### Virtual Cantors' Concert

**Sunday, March 14 • 5 pm - 6 pm**

The weather forced us to postpone this much-anticipated event twice. Hopefully, the third time is the charm! Cantor Green and Cantor Murley will entertain you with a medley of their favorite Broadway tunes, pop and rock songs. Watch the concert on live webstream or on the Beth Or Facebook page.



### Red Cross Blood Drive

**Sunday, March 21 • 9 am - 2 pm**

Donating blood makes you a triple lifesaver! Do you know someone who has never donated before? Please encourage them to make an appointment with you (must be age 17+ or 16 with parental consent form). Thanks to our generous

congregants, Beth Or is consistently one of the top donation locations in the area. Register online via the link of the website calendar for the time slot of your choice, or contact Stu Briefer at [smbriefer@gmail.com](mailto:smbriefer@gmail.com) or 215-661-9990 and he will register you. The Blood Drive follows all COVID-19 safety protocols. This event is sponsored by Brotherhood.

### Art with Allison: Painting on Fabric

**Monday, March 22 • 7:30 pm**

Congregant and Art Teacher, Allison Levin, is leading another interactive art session where you can spend some creative time and unwind with your Beth Or friends. This month Allison will teach you how to create your own Matzah cover to use on your Seder table or give as a gift, or how to paint on any other fabric — a tote, sweatshirt, jean jacket and more. Visit the website calendar or check your weekly email for a list of supplies and the Zoom meeting link.

### Beth Or's Spring Fundraiser: Golf Outing at Huntingdon Valley Country Club

**Tuesday, May 25**

Our 2020 Golf Outing Spring Fundraiser was postponed. But, it returns in 2021, COVID-19 style. This year's event includes a round of golf, lunch and a few pars. Various sponsorship levels are available which offer you or your company the opportunity for promotion among our community while supporting our beloved congregation. Start forming your foursomes and look for more details and registration within the next few weeks.

## PASSOVER

Passover is traditionally a time when we gather with our extended family and friends. This is the second year that our community is impacted by separation due to the pandemic. **Please join us remotely, live on the Beth Or Facebook page — [www.facebook.com/CongBethOr](https://www.facebook.com/CongBethOr) — for each of these Passover worship services and Seders:**

**1st Day Worship Service — Sunday, March 28 • 9 am**

**2nd Night Passover Seder for Young Families — Sunday, March 28 • 5 pm – 5:45 pm**

All young families are invited to join Rabbi Bonder for a quick and fun Passover Seder geared toward the youngest members of our community. Get ready to jump with the frogs, swim across the sea and celebrate our freedom, all before bedtime!

**2nd Night Community Passover Seder — Sunday, March 28 • 6 pm**

This night will be different than other nights. Yet, social distancing will not stop us from telling our story. Rabbi Bonder will lead our community Seder from his home. The first part of the Seder will last about 45 minutes. We will then take a break to eat dinner in our individual homes.

**Last Day Passover Service and Yizkor**

**Saturday, April 3 • 11 am**

Visit [www.bethor.org/passover2021](https://www.bethor.org/passover2021) for information, order forms and links to these resources:

- **Passover Menus** from our Beth Or approved Caterers (for as few as 2 people)
- **Kosher-for-Passover Wine Sales** (pick up at Beth Or 3/21 or order online for home delivery)
- **Traditional and Young Family Haggadot** to download/print
- **Passover Song Sheet** to download/print

# Chai-Lights — March/April 2021

## New Members

Trista, Glenn, Benjamin (15) & Luke (14)  
Factor

Chad, Monica & Ethan (<1) Cushner

Eric, Dara & Miles (3) Fine

Adam, Samantha & Alexander (2) Steiger

## May Their Memory Be A Blessing

Carole Bobrow Shaffer, mother of Nancy  
Shaffer-End

Janice Edelman, mother of Mitchell  
Edelman

Michael Milkis, brother-in-law of Jeff &  
Elaine Goldfield

Carol Rucker, mother of David Rucker

James Goldstein, father of Lori Motis &  
Kim Kaffey

Robert Lawrence Bernstein, father of  
Marlene Dukart

Irene Korn, sister of Sandra Labbee

Marvin Katz, father of Craig Katz

Bernard Spain, brother of Murray Spain &  
Uncle of Peter Spain

Mollie Bronstein, mother of Gary Bronstein

Leon Zanger, father of Claudia Springer

David Soll, congregant & husband of Jean  
Soll

Ira Clair, cousin of Ellen Svitek & Andy  
Sklenar

Robert Sklenar, uncle of Bob Sklenar

Yonina Zauzmer Hall, sister of Bob  
Zauzmer

Steven Allen, brother-in-law of Susan &  
Marc Silverman

Stanley Lewis Markowitz, brother-in-law of  
Judy & Phil Pfeffer

Beatrice Farber, mother of Betsy Sternthal

Audrey Sonnenfeld, mother of Stacy  
Frankel

Marilynn Kornfeld, mother of Michelle  
Boas

Gene Salin, husband of Gay Salin & father  
of Michael Salin

Hal Lipshutz, machitainista of David &  
Meichelle Feinberg

Patricia Harris, mother of Bob Harris

Celia Rothkopf, congregant and wife of  
Brad Rothkopf, z"l

## Mazel Tov

Engagement of Abby Kaiser, daughter of  
Bill & Marcy Kaiser, to Dak Kofsky

Engagement of Laure Biron, daughter  
of George & Carol Biron, to Nicole  
Steinberg

Engagement of Corey Drucker, son of Tod  
& Andi Drucker, to Ada Kantor

Engagement of Sandee Moed, daughter  
of Howard & Wendy Moed, to Mitch  
Clough

Engagement of Jennifer Shemtob,  
daughter of Al & Lori Shemtob, to  
Benjamin Starkie

Wedding of Liam Nielsenshultz, son of  
Aaron & Yara Nielsenshultz, to Karma  
Harris

Wedding of Josh Gottlieb and Jenny  
Barrett

Birth of Carter Thomas Curry, grandson  
of Richard & Toby Sterling

Birth of Cooper Stanley Solarte, grandson  
of Bruce & Robin Markovitz

Birth of Elliott Simon Ludwig, grandson  
of Robert Ludwig & Joan Ryder  
Ludwig

Birth of Daniel Richard Miller, grandson  
of David & Meichelle Feinberg

Bar Mitzvah of Evan Nordlinger

Bat Mitzvah of Emmy Brownstein

Bat Mitzvah of Dani Kundtz

Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Lewbart

Bar Mitzvah of Zachary Rosenberg

## Flower Donations

### Flower Donations:

**April 10** • Phil Nordlinger, Kim Marks and Heather Nordlinger in honor of Evan Nordlinger's Bar Mitzvah

**April 17** • Erica Brownstein and Adam Brownstein in honor of Emmy Brownstein's Bat Mitzvah

**April 24** • Marc and Samara Rosenberg in honor of Zachary Rosenberg's Bar Mitzvah  
Jason and Stephanie Kundtz in honor of Dani Kundtz's Bat Mitzvah  
Eric and Bonnie Lewbart in honor of Benjamin Lewbart's Bar Mitzvah







# *Celebrating Your Simcha*

Our beautiful building provides the perfect place to celebrate your family's simchas.

Our catering partners on the Approved Caterer List — shown below and published on our website ([www.bethor.org](http://www.bethor.org)) stand ready to provide delicious food for your event. They can provide menu options at a range of prices designed to meet your specific needs and budget.

We hope that you will consider having your celebrations at Beth Or. To learn more about hosting an event at Beth Or, please contact Amy Abrams at 215-646-5806.

## **Approved Caterer List — 2020/21**

<b>Annemarie's Cuisine</b> • Annemarie Silva .....	215-806-7675
<b>Betty the Caterer (Kosher)</b> • Jeff Kalinsky .....	215-224-8400
<b>Ben &amp; Irv's Deli</b> • Lennie or Michael.....	215-355-2000
<b>Classical Caterers</b> • Evan Bernstein.....	732-297-6444
<b>Go2eventplanner (new Phila. based)</b> • Arlene Rotfeld .....	516-909-8580
<b>Infinity Caterers</b> • Fred Morganstein.....	215-509-7280
<b>Panache Catering by Foodarama (Kosher)</b> • Gary Rosenwald .....	215-633-7100
<b>Pumpernick's Deli</b> • Jeff Klein .....	215-393-5800

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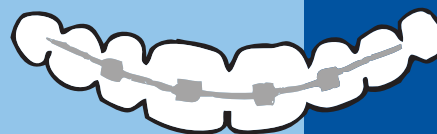
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