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March Worship Schedule

**All Services take place in the Gitlin Sanctuary unless otherwise noted. For services that include a remote viewing option, save these links to your computer for quick access: Beth Or Livestream - <https://bethor.livecontrol.tv/> and Beth Or Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/CongBethOr.*

Friday, March 4 – Shabbat Pekudei

- 5:30 pm Munchkin Minyan – Two year olds
6:30 pm K, 1 & 2 Family Shabbat Worship in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream*
7:45 pm Kabbalat Shabbat Worship in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream & Facebook Live*

Saturday, March 5

- 9:30 am Torah Study • *Zoom*
11:00 am Shabbat Worship • *Live Stream*

Friday, March 11 Shabbat Vayikra/Zachor

- 7:30 pm Shabbat Worship with a Special Dedication in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream & Facebook Live*

Saturday, March 12

- 9:00 am Shabbat Worship with the Bar Mitzvah of Dylan Schwartz, son of Michael and Jodi Schwartz
9:30 am Torah Study • *Zoom*
11:00 am Shabbat Worship with the Bat Mitzvah of Devyn Brooke Levine, daughter of Brian and Jen Levine in the Haines Chapel
11:00 am Shabbat Worship with the Bat Mitzvah of Sydney Rose Darnell, daughter of Jason and Rachel Darnell in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream*

Wednesday, March 16 – Purim

- 6:30 pm Purim Schpiel, Worship Service & Megillah Reading in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream & Facebook Live*

Friday, March 18 – Shabbat Tzav

- 7:30 pm Shabbat Worship in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream & Facebook Live*

Saturday, March 19

- 9:00 am Shabbat Worship with the Bar Mitzvah of Max Benjamin Levin, son of Marc and Leslie Levin
9:30 am Torah Study • *Zoom*
11:00 am Shabbat Worship with the Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin David Carp, son of Eric and Rachael Carp in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream*

Friday, March 25 Shabbat Shemini/Parah

- 7:30 pm Shabbat Worship with guest speaker, Reverend Marek Zabriskie in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream & Facebook Live*

Saturday, March 26

- 9:30 am Torah Study • *Zoom*
11:00 am Shabbat Worship with the B'nai Mitzvah of Brendan and Cameron Trice, children of Nicki Pollock in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream*

April Worship Schedule

Friday, April 1 – Shabbat Tazria

- 5:30 pm Munchkin Minyan – Infants & First Steppers
6:30 pm 4th Grade Family Shabbat Worship in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream*
7:30 pm Kabbalat Shabbat Worship in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream & Facebook Live*
7:45 pm 4th Grade B'nai Mitzvah KickOff

Saturday, April 2

- 9:00 am Shabbat Worship with the Bat Mitzvah of Leah Rappaport, daughter of David and Deborah Rappaport
9:30 am Torah Study • *Zoom*
11:00 am Shabbat Worship in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream*

Friday, April 8 – Shabbat Metzora

- 7:30 pm Shabbat Worship in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream & Facebook Live*

Saturday, April 9

- 9:30 am Torah Study • *Zoom*
11:00 am Shabbat Worship with the B'nai Mitzvah of Benjamin Max Moskovitz, son of Darren and Jillian Moskovitz and Willow Myers, daughter of Todd and Auri Myers in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream*

Friday, April 15 – 1st Night of Passover

No Shabbat Worship

Saturday, April 16

- 9:30 am Torah Study • *Zoom*
6:00 pm Beth Or Community 2nd Night Seder (In-person with advance RSVP)

Friday, April 22 – Pesach

- 9:00 am – Passover Service & Yizkor
7:30 pm – Shabbat Worship in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream*

Saturday, April 23

- 9:30 am Torah Service • *Zoom*
11:00 am Shabbat Worship in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream*

Friday, April 29 – Shabbat Aharei Mot

- 7:30 pm Shabbat Worship with Adult B'nai Mitzvah in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Facebook Live & Live Stream*

Saturday, April 30

- 9:00 am Shabbat Worship with the Bar Mitzvah of Matthew Weinstein, son of Steven and Kimberly Weinstein
9:30 am Torah Study • *Zoom*
11:00 am Shabbat Worship with the Bar Mitzvah of Matthew Wagner, son of Robert and Amy Wagner in the Gitlin Sanctuary • *Live Stream*

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Ann Beaulieu • Elisabeth Hess • Joanne Grossman • Larry Grossman • Amy Small-McKinney

Beth Or Belongs to Us

Rabbi Gregory S. Marx, Senior Rabbi

In our Torah we learn about the *Ner Tamid*, the light that was to be kindled in the Mishkan, the Tabernacle that was never to go out. The Hebrew word “ner” means flame and “tamid” means eternal. Thus the *Ner Tamid* is the eternal light. Rabbis over the generations have understood the flame to represent the light of hope, faith, community, social justice, the covenant. The *Ner Tamid* was to remind us never to lose our focus on who we are and what we stand for. Every synagogue has one.

The first thing we did when we came into our sanctuary and dedicated it in 2006 was to bring the flames from our building in Spring House into this one.



Rabbi Gregory S. Marx

From the Rabbi's Desk

A bar mitzvah child carried in a torch and kindled our light symbolically. I will always remember that moment.

So where is that flame today? Where does it burn? Some would say that it still burns in Jerusalem, it reminds us of that flame that was kindled thousands of years ago that will never go out. It is the spark of Zionism and the yearning to return to the land of Israel through 2000 years of exile. Others say quite physically it's burning above our heads over our ark and it reminds us of who we are and that **we are Beth Or**, a house of light. We must not let the flame go out. Maybe, the flame is not an actual flame, but rather a light that burns in our hearts, representing the core values of our heritage. I am grateful that flame has burned in the hearts of our benefactors. I am inspired by our leaders who had the vision to dream big and then worked tirelessly to fund that dream. I am grateful to our members who gave of their own treasure to make this dream a reality. I am profoundly indebted to our professional staff and clergy, some of whom are no longer here, who toiled in sacred soil, planting, tending and harvesting the bounty of this moment.

Beth Or is the house of light. We house the ner tamid, physically and spiritually. Now that we have greater financial security and stand on more solid ground, due to our retirement of the mortgage, I ask that we again, recommit to fanning the flames of social justice and engagement in our community. I am proud that we have a disaster relief fund, which is used to support victims of tornadoes, those who lost their homes from hurricanes, and the families of those who had their lives taken through fire, water and ice. More often than not we serve and donate to people in distant places. We have sent over \$100,000 to others in need, but Beth Or should be doing that locally as well. A few months ago tornadoes ripped through our community and destroyed homes and lives. Driving through our town there are still those with blue tarps on their roofs. Just a few days ago an establishment in Ambler, Ebners, was burned to the ground. The technician and owner were severely injured and suffered a total business loss. Beth Or should be there in these times. We can and should because we are Jews, because we are human beings, because we were covenanted to God to do good, reach out and support people in their times of need.

I dream of Beth Or having a new line item in our budget, using some of the money we have saved from our debt service line to serve our local community. This of course will be partnered with volunteer efforts led by our youth with a continuation of that work in the adult community.

I ask that this time of freedom from debt be a time when we reignite our spiritual Ner Tamids, recommitting ourselves to social action, *tikkun olam*.



Gwen Silverstein

It's Cold Outside And Our Clubs 4 Community Are HEATING Up!

Gwen Silverstein, Beth Or President

Hello, my friends and Beth Or community. I hope you are all doing well and staying warm during these cold days of winter. While there have been minimal social activities inside our synagogue, I am here to share there has been activity with our Clubs 4 Community. We kicked off the initiative in early fall to offer ways for our community to make new friends, connect, and socialize.

Here are the six C4C: Clubs 4 Community which have taken off to date:

Club	Community Leader	Contact information
Best Sellers Book & Schmooze	Leslie Weiss	leslieweiss209@gmail.com
Canasta Club	Melisa Lubinski	mbmjmom@comcast.net
In the Name of Spirits Club	Hillary Wagner	haw424@aol.com
Knitting Club	Faye Benshetler	febx@comcast.net
Let's Mingle: 55+ Singles	Mindy Pollikoff	lvrulife@aol.com
Peloton Club: #Bethorides	Ken Harris	kenhirson@aol.com



If you are interested in joining or learning more about any one of the newly established clubs, please reach out to the appropriate community leader to fill you in as they are welcoming all ages and stages to join them! I want to personally thank the club leaders for taking on these initiatives to ensure we continue to create connections with our Beth Or family.

Additionally, we have other clubs that will be kicking off in the next few months, so stay tuned! Of course, if you have a club you want to lead, please reach out to Jillian Peskin or me as we are still accepting new ideas to foster relationships and build community. Let's stay warm together!



March/April Candle Lighting

Friday, March 4 • 5:38 pm	Friday, April 1 • 7:07 pm
Friday, March 11 • 5:45 pm	Friday, April 8 • 7:14 pm
Friday, March 18 • 6:53 pm	Friday, April 15 • 7:21 pm
Friday, March 25 • 7:00 pm	Friday, April 22 • 7:28 pm
	Friday, April 29 • 7:35 pm



Rabbi Jason Bonder

From the Rabbi's Desk

For the last 27 years,
we have had a
wonderful source
of light —
Cantor David Green.

A Wonderful Source of Light

Rabbi Jason Bonder, Associate Rabbi

During a tense moment in Middle East negotiations, American Secretary of State Henry Kissinger famously said to Prime Minister Golda Meir,

"Golda, you must remember that first I am an American, second I am Secretary of State and third I am a Jew."

Prime Minister Meir responded,

"Henry, you forget that in Israel we read from right to left."

Which brings me to the image below: the cover of Pink Floyd's "Dark Side of the Moon" album.



We English-speakers likely find it easy to see the light travelling into the prism from the left, then we see the prism, and then we behold the full spectrum of color. This is, I'm told, the scientifically correct way to "read" this.

But at this moment in the history of Congregation Beth Or, I want to take Golda Meir's advice and read from right to left instead.

On the right-hand side of the image above, located very near the center of that rainbow, is a strand of **green**. Beholding the picture from right to left, I see that green strand uniting with all of the other colors, traveling through the prism, and exiting the other side as one focused beam of light.

Our vision at Congregation Beth Or is "To inspire lives of Jewish meaning, purpose, and practice in order to be a 'light unto the nations.'" For the last 27 years, we have had a wonderful source of light — Cantor David Green. Like the green strand in the photo, Cantor Green has complemented and guided so many of the other lights in our congregation, supporting us through the good times and through times that may have left us feeling a bit like the light being jumbled in that prism. Through it all, using the tools of musical talent, social work, care, and compassion, he has helped our congregation shine our light brightly. Thank you, Cantor Green, for your incredible dedication to this place.

During the *havdallah* service, there is a line of liturgy that heavily relies on a quote from the Book of Esther: "The Jews enjoyed light and gladness, happiness and honor. So may it be for us."

Cantor Green, you have brought light and gladness, happiness and honor to our House of Light — our Beth Or. So may it be for you, for your family, and for all of us.

Did Moses Really Part the Red Sea?

Cantor David Green



Cantor David Green

When we celebrate Passover this spring, many children and adults will ask: “Did Moses really part the Red Sea?” In our age of modern science, many of us want to explain everything in scientific terms. Maybe the sea separated by tides or some other natural phenomenon. According to the Rabbis of the Talmudic period, they also asked this question and cast doubt as to whether Moses really parted the Red Sea.

I believe the true response to the question was best answered by Albert Einstein. He was asked how, as a physicist, he could believe the world was created in seven days. Einstein replied: “You are asking the wrong question. Religion does not ask the question how the world was created, but rather why the world was created.” It is the same response to the parting of the Red Sea. It does not really matter how the Red Sea was parted, but rather, why. Truth be told, it does not even matter whether the sea was parted at all. What really matters, is why tell the story?

The Midrash of Nachshone Ben Aminadav’s action really answers the question. In this story, Nachshone, not Moses, crosses the Red Sea first. He crosses only when the water is up to his nostrils, almost drowning and then the sea parts. The Rabbis tell us Nachshone did not wait for “divine intervention” to cross. He took matters into his own hands, taking action to cross the sea and not waiting for God to save the Israelites. The message is clear. We as human beings must not wait for God to rescue us, but rather take the initiative ourselves to change or intervene when we face challenges. Indeed, Passover, is synonymous with the word “freedom.” *Tractate Pesachim 116b* from the Talmud states: “In every generation a person is obligated to see themselves as they came out of Egypt.”

Whether it’s the Israelites fighting for freedom from the Egyptians in the story of Passover or us today, fighting for civil rights like the freedom to vote and keep our democracy alive, the Jewish question is always “why” we do this. As we all celebrate this holiday of Passover as our ancestors did, let us rely on our own actions to pursue freedom and not wait for God, just as Nachshone did.





Important School Dates

Friday, March 4
K, 1, and 2 Family Shabbat

Sunday, March 13
Daylight Saving Time begins

Sunday, March 13
Purim Carnival

Tuesday, March 15
YOBO Mitzvah Circle



Friday, April 1
2025 B'nai Mitzvah Kick-off
Dinner

Friday, April
4th Grade Family Shabbat

Sunday, April 3
K, 1, 2 Passover Prep Program
(during Sunday School)

Sunday, April 3:
Taste of YOBO

Sunday, April 10
YOBO @ JRA 10 am - 11:30 am

Sunday, April 10
No School: Spring Break

Sunday, April 17
No School: Passover

Religious School NEWS

Getting Hands-on at Beth Or

Aaron Nienshultz, Director of Religious School

Back in the fall of 2019, our Beth Or Brotherhood generously sponsored a hands-on project for a group of our B'nai Mitzvah students: working with the Gary Rosenthal Collection, we received kits for students to make their own yads, also known as Torah pointers. We were so excited to roll out the program...in April of 2020. As we say in Yiddish, "*Der Mentsch tracht, un Gott Lacht*," or "The person plans, and God laughs." Well, I'm so excited to share that we were finally able to get this project off the ground last November. Our students created truly beautiful hand-made yads.



Aaron Nienshultz



**Leonard &
Madlyn Abramson
Education Center**

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The yads are made up of separate pieces of glass, and we discussed the idea that so many factors have to come together to help each student get to his or her Bar/Bat Mitzvah. It was a lesson easy to grasp, and underlined by this amazing project. Special thanks to Jim and Ellen Tannenbaum for their assistance and heart-felt thanks to the Brotherhood for sponsoring the project.

In other news, school registration opens on March 1 for next school year! The Religious School webpage is updated with information and links to get everyone registered, and as usual, we have an early-bird special: Register by April 1, and you'll be entered into a drawing for a High Holy Days parking spot in our lot.

Learning Happens Everywhere

Sara Baum, Early Childhood Director

Learning happens everywhere and anywhere; at the park, grocery store, or even in your own kitchen. Infants can use a kitchen towel to feel in their hands. You can take a small toy and cover it with the towel. Allow your baby to feel the towel. Talk to your child and narrate what they are doing. Your kitchen is your toddler's indoor play area. They can stack containers and knock them down. Let them sort cereal, find different shapes on the refrigerator, or taste/smell different foods. Preschoolers are ready to be your sous chef. They can help count the plates you need to set the table, look for numbers in your recipe, or figure out different ways to fold a napkin. Once you and your child have finished learning in the kitchen, there are many books related to being in the kitchen.

Recommended Books:

- *Pancakes, Pancakes!* By Eric Carle
- *Stone Soup* by Marcia Brown
- *Jamberry* by Bruce Degen
- *Pretend Soup and Other Real Recipes: A Cookbook for Preschoolers and Up* by Mollie Katzen
- *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle
- *A Chocolate Moose for Dinner* by Fred Gwynne

Take a look around the places you go each week. You will be amazed with the opportunities you never saw before. It will open the door to fun and learning for you and your child everywhere:

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

March

- March 4 – Virtual Munchkin Minyan
- March 18 – CECE Purim Shabbat and Schpiel

April

- April 4 – Two's Passover Experience
- April 11-15 – Spring Intersession
- April 5 – Four's Model Seder
- April 15 - 3pm – Early Dismissal
- April 6 – Three's Model Seder
- April 22 – Closed for Passover



Sara Baum



**Zipporah S. Abramson
Center for Early
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PURIM: Fun, Games & Giving Back



Jillian Peskin



Rachel Shapiro

On **Sunday, March 13 from 9am – 1pm** our Youth Committee & YOBO are planning an outdoor Purim Carnival for all of our kiddos to enjoy! We cannot wait to be back together in-person to celebrate the joy that is Purim!

We have moon bounces, crafts, carnival games, prizes, hamentaschen, balloon animals, temporary tattoos and lunch for sale. Camp Harlam staff will be here to tell our families about all of their offerings. Our youth committee members and YOBO teens are working hard to fill volunteer slots to make the fun possible! If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to either one of us!

Proceeds from the carnival benefit all of our youth group programs, from subsidizing extra staff to making sure we have snacks for all of our events!

One of the mitzvot associated with Purim is *Matanot L'Evyonim*: giving to those in need. New this year, we are partnering with the Social Action committee to fulfill this mitzvah. We will be collecting PB&J sandwiches for Operation Bread Drop to be served at local homeless shelters.

Even though it may be chilly outside, the fun and joy will warm us up! Come in costume (under your coats) or decorate your winter hats! We can't wait to be together!

L'Shalom,

Jillian Peskin, Director of Member & Youth Engagement

Rachel Shapiro, Youth Engagement Advisor

Purim Carnival 2022!

Sunday, March 13 • 9 am – 1 pm



The Purim Carnival is back!

Join us for ★ Moon Bounces ★ Spin Art ★ Carnival Game ★ Food

★ Sand Art ★ Hamentaschen ★ Balloon Animals ★ Beaded Bracelets ★ and Much More!

Wristband Pricing:

1 for \$20, 2 for \$35, 3 for \$55, 4 for \$65

Includes admission to all games and crafts*

Food sold separately. ! *Some exclusions apply.

Proceeds benefit Beth Or Youth Group.

Interested in volunteering? Please reach out to Rachel Shapiro, rshapiro@bethor.org.

This event is outdoors, shine only. Dress for weather.

PB&J Donation for Operation Bread Drop

Social Action has a mitzvah project for the carnival! Make PB&J sandwiches at home and drop off at the carnival. Sandwiches will be delivered to food shelters through Operation Bread Drop.

Guidelines: Use white bread, creamy peanut butter and grape jelly; Spread PB on both slices of bread with jelly in the middle; Do not cut sandwich in half; Place each in an individual zip lock bag, and if making several, place all bagged sandwiches in the original bread bag.

For peanut/gluten free options and instructions, contact Linda Block Love, lblocklove@gmail.com.

The Superheroes of OUR Stories



Jaime Murley



*Cantor Jaime Murley,
Junior Choir Director*

Shalom! We are entering the season of two of my favorite Jewish holidays. ... Purim and Passover! During Purim we perform a theatrical interpretation of The Book of Esther, and during Passover we retell one of the most dramatic stories of all time, that of Moses and the Israelites fighting for their freedom. **This year's Purim Schpiel "Oyvengers!" is superhero themed.** The Junior Choir had a fabulous time dressing in costume and transforming into their favorite superheroes. Watching them got me thinking of all the similarities between superhero movies and the stories of Purim and Passover.

In the Book of Esther, there are three characters that people recognize as heroes: Vashti, Mordechai, and Esther. They can't fly or shoot laser beams out of their eyes, but they have the power of *CHUTZPAH* and *FAITH*! Vashti refuses to dance naked for her husband's friends, Mordechi refuses to bow before Haman, and Esther walks into the king's chambers uninvited and then later reveals to him that she's Jewish. Any one of these actions could have gotten our heroes killed, but they stood up for what they believed in and held fast to their faith in God. As Iron Man said, "Heroes are made by the path they choose, not the powers they are graced with."

During Passover, we sit around the Seder table and tell the story of the Exodus. Some may argue that this story is THE original superhero story, complete with a hero (Moses), a villain (Pharoah), sidekicks (Miriam and Aaron), and special effects (plagues and parting of the sea). For those who want to delve deeper into the story, the tales of Yocheved (Miriam's mother) and Batya (Pharoah's daughter) are enough to make a feature length prequel! As Superman said, "I think a hero is an ordinary individual who finds strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles."

Not only are the stories of Purim and Passover exciting, but the music surrounding these holidays is memorable and widely known. I have very clear memories of singing Purim's *Oh, Once There Was A Wicked, Wicked Man, Chag Purim (RASH, RASH, RASH!)*, and *Ani Purim*, and Passover's *Frog Song, Dayeinu*, and *Chad Gadya*. It's always fun for me to see how much joy these songs STILL bring to our young children of the religious school. I have no doubt that the children go home and sing these songs WITH (not for) their parents and grandparents, creating a true feeling of *L'dor Va Dor*, "from generation to generation," around the house and Seder table. As legendary composer, John Williams said, "So much of what we do is ephemeral and quickly forgotten, even by ourselves, so it's gratifying to have something you have done linger in people's memories."



In talking to the children of the religious school, I have come to realize that they understand that Judaism is full of the same messages of heroism, bravery, redemption, joy, and love that they find in their favorite superhero movies. This gives me faith in the saying "*Am Yisrael Chai*"... The Jewish people WILL live on through the children and their love of retelling these stories to their children. **Be sure to catch this year's Purim Schpiel movie on March 13 or March 16.** The kids worked really hard to make a spectacular movie, and I know you will love it!

Chag Sameach!

Meet Our B'nai Mitzvah Students

Dylan Schwartz

March 12

I am raising money for the non-profit organization, **The Simple Gifts Project**, which provides gift bags filled with items to children who are confronted with a hospital stay due to chronic or terminal illness. The Simple Gifts Project makes care packages for children who are 18 and younger and their parents/guardians when they are admitted to Doylestown Hospital and/or Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP). In December of 2020, I was admitted to both Doylestown Hospital and CHOP. With little notice, I was transported via ambulance at 4 am on a Friday night due to a rare intestinal illness. Fortunately, there was an organization much like The Simple Gift Project that provided me with a stuffed animal, toothbrush, some activities and card games that occupied my time, and comforted me. To donate, you can go directly to www.simplegiftsproject.org.

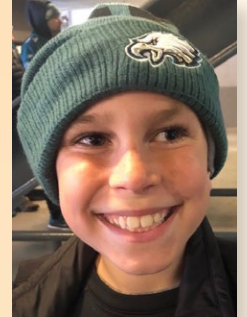


first time or pursuing their dreams to play in the big leagues. You can support his project by clicking on this link: <https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=E353171&id=6&cfid=42>.

Ben Carp

March 19

I collected donations and items for **PAWS, Philadelphia Animal Welfare Society**. I had a bake sale and collection at Beth Or on Sunday February 13. I am still accepting collection items after the bake sale. Items most needed: canned dog, cat, and kitten food (pate-style preferred), trash bags (heavy duty/contractor), clay cat litter (nonclumping), Kong brand dog toys (new), soft dog training treats (unopened), cat toys (all kinds), KMR kitten formula and kitten bottles. Also accepting dog harnesses, leashes, and collars (especially martingale style), cat treats, pet beds (small/machine washable), puppy training pads, dog crates and carriers (new or used, all sizes). Monetary donations can also be made online at: <https://secure.phillypaws.org/BenMitzvah>.



Sydney Darnell

March 12

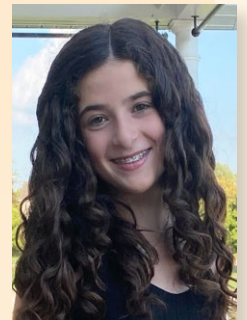
I volunteered at **Jewish Relief Agency** packing boxes of food and delivering them to the homes of people in need. The Jewish Relief Agency serves local families who are food insecure. JRA is always looking for new volunteers and makes the experience welcoming for volunteers of all ages. I am following in the footsteps of my grandparents, Jon and Judy Beck, who are regular JRA volunteers. For more information and to sign up to volunteer, please visit their website at <https://jewishrelief.org/>.



Leah Rappaport

April 2

For my Mitzvah project, I decided to help an organization called **Donate 2 Dance**. Dancing is the extracurricular activity that I spend most of my time doing outside of school. I know that I am so lucky to be able to dance as much as I do and I always have the clothes and shoes that I need. Some other kids are not as lucky. Donate 2 Dance works to bring shoes, dance wear, and costumes to dancers in need. So far, Donate 2 Dance has partnered with 250 dance schools that serve inner-city children and dancers with special needs. For my Mitzvah project, I will be making a donation to Donate 2 Dance of new shoes as well as gently used dance items that I have collected. I am so happy to be able to help give other kids the opportunity to dance. For more information or to make a donation to Donate 2 Dance, please visit donate2dance.org.



Max Levin

March 19

I am raising funds for **Pitch In for Baseball & Softball**. This is a charity dedicated to providing baseball and softball equipment to kids who are not as financially fortunate. I love playing baseball and want to help other kids who love the game as much as I do to get on the field to play. I hope the funds raised through my project will provide equipment for a team with kids who are trying the game for the





What do diapers, duffle bags, tarps, shoes, and socks have in common?

They are a snapshot of what has been donated to communities throughout the US from the Beth Or Disaster Relief Fund.

As a *Kehillah Kedoshah*, our sacred community has touched lives in North Carolina, Texas, Puerto Rico, Georgia, Louisiana, Oregon, California, Florida, and the Bahamas. Our most recent outreach was in Kentucky to help rebuild an AME Church following a tornado. A few months earlier, our donations helped families impacted by Hurricane Ida here in Montgomery County.

Quoting Rabbi Marx in his correspondence with one of the recipients, "One of the tenets of the Jewish faith is *Tikkun Olam*, which is the human responsibility to do our part to repair the world. While we cannot solve all of the world's problems or heal the broken lives resulting from nature's devastation, we feel blessed to contribute."

The wonders of '30'

That's the number of Beth Or congregants who attended the first Social Action Committee meeting of the year on February 7. Rabbi Bonder welcomed us with a beautiful *D'var Torah* about our authentic selves, which was a perfect lead into our agenda. Recapping the last calendar year and planning for 2022 made Rabbi Bonder's point: As a community, we can measure what we do. This is all possible because of the good will of our Committee members and congregational family.

If you were unavailable to attend the February 7 meeting, we hope to see you at our spring meeting.

Stay tuned for social action calendar events comprised of programming, projects, and collections, some that will be familiar and others that will be new.

Todah Rabah!

Susy Krimker, Social Action Co-Chair, susykrimker@gmail.com • Margie Chachkin, Social Action Co-Chair, chachkin@aol.com

Volunteers Needed: Plant Trees in Upper Dublin Township

My name is Emmanuelle Kramer, and my family and I are members of Beth Or. As a Girl Scout, I will be working on a Girl Scout Gold Project when I begin 9th grade in September 2022. For this project, I intend to host a program where volunteers plant trees. After the devastating tornado last September, many trees were destroyed and many forested areas were left in shambles. I want to give back to nature, and try to supply new trees in our community so we can rebuild our tree landscapes. Tu B'Shevat is the holiday of the trees, but due to cold weather, it may not be possible to plant trees on this day. To honor this holiday I would like to host tree planting days in warmer times of the year so that we can still celebrate it.

Ideally, I want this project to run throughout the year, with most of the sessions occurring in the fall and spring. I am still looking for a sponsor who can help me gather the money to acquire trees to plant. I want to thank fellow congregant, Steve Stone, who was very helpful in providing an Upper Dublin Township Parks contact who identified twenty spots that could use tree planting. There is the possibility of planting trees in those locations or other locations.

I am sharing this project information with my Beth Or community in hopes that Bar and Bat Mitzvah students, families, and adults of all ages will be interested in lending a hand. I look forward to getting started and would welcome hearing from you! — **Emmanuelle Kramer**, emmanuelle.kramer@gmail.com



Celebrating Cantor David Green

In 1995, DVD's were invented, the Internet was privatized and took off, O.J. was set free and Forrest Gump won the Academy Award for best picture. That same year, Cantor David Green joined Congregation Beth Or as our Cantor.

Here we are, in 2022, and we are about to celebrate Cantor Green's 27 years at Beth Or as our Cantor, teacher, leader and friend. I am honored to be planning, along with a committee of dedicated volunteers and staff, a weekend long celebration, being held May 13 – 15.

How do you adequately celebrate a man that has given so much to our Congregation for so long? We're talking over 3200 B'nai Mitzvah, 27 Kol Nidre and High Holy Day services, adult confirmation ceremonies, bereavement groups, religious school and on and on. If cantors were graded, we know ours would have earned an A++!

Deciding how to celebrate Cantor Green before he retires this June was actually pretty easy. The weekend will be filled with music! From a Friday night service featuring our youth, adult and professional choirs, to Saturday night where we'll celebrate the sounds of Motown, R&B and even some of Cantor's current faves, to Sunday where we will relax outside with music and food trucks, the weekend offers everyone in our congregation the opportunity to honor and celebrate Cantor Green and create lasting memories for him to take into his retirement.

The theme of our weekend is Lech Lecha, which Cantor sings to all of our B'nai Mitzvah kids as their service concludes. The words of Lech Lecha translate to "Go From Here"; in other words, find within yourself the journey you are meant to have. We are thrilled for Cantor Green as he begins his new journey. I hope you will join the festivities in May!

— Alyson Caplan, Cantor Green Celebration Weekend Chair



Join us May 13 - 15!

Help us celebrate our beloved Cantor David Green during a weekend of festivities! 3 ways to participate: Sponsorships, Tribute Book Ads and Celebratory Events.

Easy online RSVP & Payment: www.bethor.org/cantorgreen2022. (If you would like to bill to your account, please make sure to log in to your Shul Cloud account at the top left of the form.)

EVENTS

Ultimate Music Shabbat | Friday, May 13 • 7:30 pm

The weekend kicks off with an enhanced Shabbat service where we honor Cantor Green's legacy with a variety of special musical guests. This service is open to all and will also be available to watch remotely via Livestream or Facebook Live.

Celebrate Green Times! | Saturday, May 14 • 6 pm-10 pm

Let the good times rock & roll. Join Cantor & Lori Green for an evening of fun, food, drinks, music & dancing. (Dress code: Casual Party). **Tickets: \$125/person.** RSVP early — we expect this event to sell out quickly! RSVP Deadline: April 20.

Family Festival on the Green | Sunday, May 15 • 10:30 am-12:30 pm

All Beth Or families are invited to celebrate the last day of Religious School and Cantor Green with food trucks, carnival games, DJ and more! This event is open to all.

Please contact Jillian Peskin, jpeskin@bethor.org, with any celebration event questions.

Lech Lecha  Go From Here

CANTOR GREEN

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TRIBUTE BOOK AD SPECS & SUBMISSION DETAILS

Reservation & Submissions Deadline: Wednesday, April 20

Submit ads as high resolution (300 dpi preferred) jpeg or pdf.

Submit ads or ad copy to cantorgreencelebrate.com.

Full Page • \$1,000

Full color, image area: 8.25"w x 10.75"h

Half Page • \$500

Full color, image area: 8.25"w x 5.25"h

Quarter Page • \$180

Full color, image area: 4"w x 5.25"h

Eighth Page • \$72

Text only, no photos. Image area: 4"w x 2.625"h

(Limit: 300 characters)

Please contact Samantha Drossner, samanthadrossner@gmail.com, with any questions about your Tribute Book ad submission.

For complete weekend details
and to reserve/purchase
sponsorships, tribute book ads
and event tickets please visit
www.bethor.org/cantorgreen.

SPONSORSHIPS

There are four levels of sponsorship packages available. **Reserve your Sponsorship by Wednesday, April 20.** Please contact Jennie Nerenberg, brucenjen@verizon.net with any questions.

Emerald • \$10,000

- Full Page ad in 1st section of Tribute Book
- Four (4) Tickets to Saturday Event
- Recognition on Days of the Event
- Reserved seating for up to four (4) people at Friday Shabbat service

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- Full Page ad in 2nd section of Tribute Book
- Four (4) Tickets to Saturday Event
- Recognition on Days of the Event

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- Full Page ad in 3rd section of Tribute Book
- Two (2) Tickets to Saturday Event
- Recognition on Days of the Event

Lime • \$1,800

- Full Page ad in 3rd section of Tribute Book
- Two (2) Tickets to Saturday Event
- Recognition on Days of the Event

Beth Or Brotherhood

Preparing for Spring Social and Service Activities

Doug Burtnick, Brotherhood President



Doug Burtnick



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It's mid-February as I write this. Yes, that period of time between snow storms when everyone's getting tired of winter and holding their breath for flowers to blossom and birds to chirp. It's also a period of immense focus on human achievement in the athletic arena.

This is just an amazing season for those who revel in the achievements of individuals and small groups of humans. We've got the spectacle of the Olympics with crazy aerial flight, hockey, and breathtaking speed on snow and ice. Sure, the games bring a lot of baggage of nationalism and political shows of bluster, but how can you take anything away from the things these people do? The Super Bowl, one of the year's biggest commercial spectacles just pitted two of the youngest NFL coaches ever, one of the youngest Super Bowl quarterbacks in what is undeniably the most over-the-top stadium ever built. And just around the corner, March Madness, the annual face-off of two tournaments with 68 of the best men's and women's college basketball teams coming up soon.

There's nothing particularly spiritual about these events. The success undeniably comes from what those people do. The intense focus, the training and the desire to DO something better than anyone else around.

Isn't that what Jews do? As Rabbi Marx is quick to point out at High Holy Day services, the important part about being a Jew is what we do, not what we think.

I'd hazard a guess that most of us in Brotherhood are past any Olympic ambitions, but we're certainly beyond broader ambition and getting things done.

As part of **Beth Or Cares**, a partnership with Beth Or, Brotherhood has put together **calendar of monthly health-oriented events for the whole Beth Or Community**. We may reach out to you for help, to arrange speakers or just to attend. Keep your eyes open and thank you to Rabbi Marx and Stu Briefer for leading this charge.

Social and service events in the future include our **Men's Basketball March Madness Pool**, an upcoming **axe throwing event**, and new service commitments that we'll highlight in our weekly Brotherhood emails. And, of course, with Passover right around the corner, be sure to order **Kosher-for-Passover wine from KosherWine.com at our affiliate link, <http://bit.ly/wine2020>**. There are over 700 varieties of wine to choose from, that will be shipped directly to your home. Proceeds support Brotherhood. Or, send us a note at bethorbromembership@gmail.com if you are interested in in-person wine sales. We have some inventory and can arrange delivery if you like.

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.



Beth Or Sisterhood

Modernize Your Seder

Melisa Lubinski, Sisterhood President

As spring approaches, this time of year is always remarkable to me. How do those buds and bulbs know just when to pop up? The great philosopher, Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, believed he knew the answer: "Our goal should be to live life in radical amazement... get up in the morning and look at the world in a way that takes nothing for granted. Everything is phenomenal; everything is incredible; never treat life casually."



I see his teachings in the story of Passover and tradition of Seder. Parents want their children to learn the story of our ancestors who were persecuted, enslaved, and then liberated as refugees into the desert. Some children may ask why the Seder is even necessary because they already know the stories. The Seder helps us to both tell and feel the stories, providing our children with a greater level of appreciation and respect for our freedom. What about sharing these lessons while providing real world context?

I recommend a few ideas to consider introducing into your Seder to infuse modern meaning and discussion:

- 1) Talk about strong women like Yocheved (Mose's mother), Miriam, and Puah and Shifra (midwives who refused Pharaoh's order to kill male Jewish babies). These women risked their lives by standing up for what they thought was right. Ask your children who are the strong women in their lives?
- 2) Place an orange on the Seder plate to remember women's and LGBTQ rights. Rabbi Heschel's daughter, Suzannah, introduced this ritual in the 1980's.
- 3) Include a Miriam cup symbolizing magical ability to provide a well of water to sustain the Jewish people and help them stay positive with her festive songs and dancing.
- 4) Place a pair of shoes on your front door mat to symbolize the resilience of thousands of refugees with no place to call home.
- 5) Have your family brainstorm and share feelings about modern day plagues like COVID-19, antisemitism and xenophobia.

Visit the Tarshis Gift Shop and see how our volunteers can help make your Seder unique. I recommend taking a peek at *A Women's Passover Guide* and the art pieces by Karla Gudeon celebrating strong heroines. Have something specific in mind? Contact Bobbi Adair, bobbifadair@gmail.com, about special holiday orders.



Melisa Lubinski



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Hours:

For a personal appointment, contact Bobbi Adair, Bobbifadair@gmail.com.

Winter Hours: Sunday, 9:30 am – 12:40 pm • Tuesday 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm • Friday 9 am - 12 pm

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Beth Or Events

All Beth Or COVID-19 Guidelines for indoor and outdoor events at the time the event takes place will be followed. Please check your email communications for most up-to-date guidance..

BROTHERHOOD/SISTERHOOD EVENTS

Sisterhood Meeting followed by Guest Speaker, Dr. Madeline Katz

Wednesday, March 2 • Meeting, 6:30 pm; Presentation, 7:30 pm

All Beth Or women are invited to Sisterhood's monthly meeting which will take place on Zoom. The meeting will be followed by a special presentation from WRJ's Dr. Madeline Katz, who will speak about "When Prayer Makes You Uncomfortable." Dr. Katz will share insights into how to respond to the feeling of discomfort when you realize that you don't necessarily agree with the words in a prayer, and how to turn these times into positive experiences. Visit the website calendar listing for the Zoom meeting link.

Tea Tasting: Sisters Supporting Sisters

Sunday, March 27 • 2 pm – 4 pm

Join Sisterhood for a tea tasting event to celebrate our members and thank them for performing acts of Tikkun Olam. While sipping 4 – 5 teas, learn the history of tea and the benefits a regular tea ritual offers towards a quality lifestyle and good health. Understand how tea varies across the country, talk tea smoothies and cooking with tea. Please bring your own special tea cup. Guest speaker, Deborah Raab, is a certified Tea Specialist and local small business owner. Deborah's Tea For All Bar and Shoppe is located at the Trenton Farmer's Market. She will bring a variety of teas for purchase, too. Cost: \$18/All Sisterhood members; No charge/Ruth Sisterhood members (\$65 donation level); \$25/Non-Sisterhood members who would like to attend to support Sisterhood. RSVP by March 23 to Ellen Mirbach, semirbach@gmail.com. Checks are payable to Beth Or Sisterhood or you can pay online with PayPal.



5th Annual Women's Unity Seder

Sunday, April 3 • 2 pm – 4 pm

Join Sisterhood as we welcome guests from the Interfaith community for a social Seder that incorporates social justice readings. This Women's Seder will be led by Lori Motis, Sisterhood Chaplain. RSVP to Ellen Mirbach, semirbach@gmail.com by March 28. Contact Lori Motis, lorimotis@aol.com, with any questions.

Spring Fling Bazaar

Sunday, April 24 • 10 am – 2 pm



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. Food will be available and raffles, too. For health & safety of our vendors, volunteers and attendees, masks and social distancing are recommended. Contact Sherry Spector, chanukahbazaar19@gmail.com if you would like to become a vendor or have any question about the bazaar. (This event is shine only; no raindate.)

GET CONNECTED: Beth Or Business & Career Network

Beth Or's business & career group meets on the 2nd Monday of each month 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 with any questions or topic ideas.

Networking Events

Mondays, March 14 & April 11 • 7pm – 8pm

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

Lifelong Learning

Beit Sefer Café

Tuesday, March 8 • 6:30 pm – 9 pm

Join us for our first night of interactive learning, thought provoking topics and hands-on activities! We are planning for this night of learning to take place exclusively in-person at Beth Or. (We will be flexible to convert to on-line learning if COVID-19 cases are at a high level.) All Beth Or COVID-19 protocols for in-person events will be followed. Review class descriptions for Beit Sefer Café #1 and **RSVP online by March 3, <https://www.bethor.org/event/beit-sefer-cafe-1>.**

SCHEDULE:

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm: Class Session 1

- *Say What? False (Yet Popular) Accusations Against Israel & How to Respond* with Rabbi Jason Bonder
- *Israel's Changing Collective Identity* with Dr. Fred Lazin
- *Cooking with Gass: Memories Part 1* with Alyson Gass
- *This, too is Torah: Jewish Views of Sex* with Rabbi Hanna Yerushalmi
- *Book Review: Eternal* with Clarissa Bencan and Connie Berman

7:30 pm – 8 pm: Break

Relax and schmooze with your Beth Or friends and the Beit Sefer Café instructors.

8 pm – 9 pm: Class Session 2

- *Rabbi Jonathan Sacks: A Giant of our Time* with Rabbi Jason Bonder
- *Jews in American Politics: Past, Present & Future* with Dr. Fred Lazin
- *Cooking with Gass: Memories Part 2* with Alyson Gass
- *Behind Closed Doors: A Conversation About Kosher Sex* with Rabbi Hanna Yerushalmi

Contact Barbara Murtha, bmurtha@bethor.org, with any questions in advance of the event.

BEIT SEFER *Café*

Beit Sefer Café #2 (Virtual Only)

Tuesday, March 22 • 6:30 pm – 9 pm

Our second night of learning will take place on Zoom only. Join us on-line for an interesting line of up classes and instructors. Review class descriptions for Beit Sefer Café #2 and **RSVP online by March 17, <https://www.bethor.org/event/beit-sefer-cafe-2>.** All who RSVP will receive the Zoom registration link(s) for the class(es) they sign up for prior to March 22. Please check your email.

SCHEDULE:

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm: Class Session 1

- *Reform Judaism* with Aaron Nienshultz
- *The New Reality of Anti-semitism: Confronting the Issues in Court, in Business, in Social Engagements and on the Streets* with Rabbi Gregory Marx and Jonathan Segal, Esq.
- *The Why of Jewish End of Life Rituals* with Rabbi David Levin

7 pm – 9 pm: Special Session

- *Passover Painting with a Twist* with Allison Levin

8 pm – 9 pm: Class Session 2

- *A Taste Of Kabbalah* with Aaron Nienshultz
- *The Top Culturally Significant Jewish Moments of 2021 & Why They Matter* with Rabbi Gregory Marx
- *Ethical Legacy Will* with Rabbi David Levin

Contact Barbara Murtha, bmurtha@bethor.org, with any questions in advance of the event.

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

SPECIAL EVENTS

Red Cross Blood Drive

Sunday, March 20 • 9 am - 2 pm

Your help is needed! The Red Cross is experiencing its worst blood shortage in over a decade. Blood supply levels are currently dangerously low. 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 or 215-661-9990 and he will register you. The Blood Drive follows all COVID-19 safety protocols. This event is sponsored by Brotherhood.

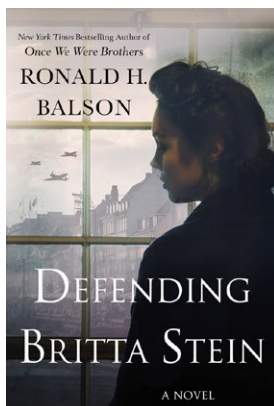


Beth Or Events

Book Discussion: Defending Britta Stein

Wednesday, April 13 • 7 pm

Our third book in the Beth Or Book Lovers 2021-22 series takes place in World War II Denmark, where Ronald Balson presents another legal thriller with his latest book, *Defending Britta Stein*. If you are interested in knowing more about how Denmark's citizens saved the majority of their Jewish population, this novel will amaze you.



This book discussion will be led by Dottie Singer and Patty Bassman, and is sponsored by APEX. Check your weekly Chai Lights email for Zoom registration link.

Beth Or's 2022 Spring Fundraiser: Honoring Cantor David Green

Friday - Sunday, May 13 - 15

Our beloved Cantor Green is retiring after 27 years of service and we are dedicating this weekend to honor him! See pages 11 & 12 for details. RSVP Deadline: Wednesday, April 20.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

PURIM

Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 13 • 9 am – 1 pm

The Purim Carnival is BACK! Join us for moon bounces, balloon animals, carnival games, arts & crafts, hamantashen & treats and much more! Carnival proceeds benefit youth programming at Beth Or. Wristband Pricing: 1 for \$20, 2 for \$35, 3 for \$55, 4 for \$65 includes admission to all games & crafts! (Excludes airbrush & bracelets.) Food sold separately. Dress for the weather — this event is outdoors, shine only. Please reach out to Rachel Shapiro, rshapiro@bethor.org, if you are interested in volunteering.

PB&J Donation for Operation Bread Drop

See page 7 for details.



Purim Schpiel & Worship Service

Wednesday, March 16 • 6:30 pm

Join us in the Gitlin Sanctuary as we celebrate a "Jewperheroes" Purim with songs, a brief service, megillah reading, children's costume parade and a video performance of "The Oyvengers" Purim Schpiel featuring the Junior Choir. Enjoy a Hamantashen-to-go-neg on your way out. RSVP with Barbara Murtha, bmurtha@bethor.org, if you are attending in-person. You may also watch virtually on the Beth Or Livestream channel and Facebook Live.



PASSOVER

1st Day Shabbat & Passover Worship Service

Saturday, April 16 • 11 am

2nd Night Community Passover Seder

Saturday, April 16 • 6 pm

Join Rabbi Marx in the Rosenfeld Social Hall as he leads an in-person Community Seder. Early RSVP is recommended as capacity will be limited and tables will be spaced apart with seating clustered by family or friend units to respect COVID-19 physical distancing guidelines. Check the website calendar listing and Community Matters email for complete details, menu, cost and RSVP. All current Beth Or COVID-19 health/safety guidelines for indoor events will be followed.

Passover Service and Yizkor

Friday, April 22 • 9 am



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Bat Mitzvah of Sydney Darnell
Bar Mitzvah of Max Levin
Bar Mitzvah of Ben Carp
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Brendan Trice
Bat Mitzvah of Leah Rappaport
Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Moskovitz
Bat Mitzvah of Willow Myers
Bar Mitzvah of Matthew Weinstein
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March Donations

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March 25 • Nicki Pollock in honor of Cameron and Brendan Trice's B'nai Mitzvah

April Donations

April 1 • David & Deborah Rappaport in honor of Leah Rappaport's Bat Mitzvah

April 8 • Darren & Jillian Moskovitz in honor of Benjamin Moskovitz's Bar Mitzvah
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