The Beth El Bulletin

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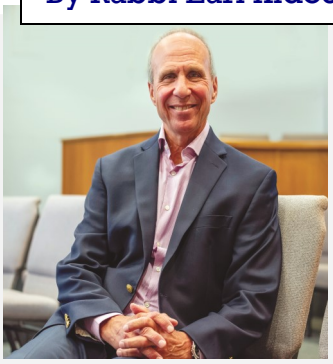
Rabbinically Yours
By Rabbi Earl Kideckel



Dear Beth El Family,

In the aftermath of Colleyville, believe it or not, I would have wished to be at an in-person service with all of you. Not being afraid; simply standing up to the anti-Semitism and terrorism, and, of course, being surrounded by the comradery of our most wonderful and engaged community.

Yet, with the rapid rise and slow descent of the Omicron variant, we all realize that we must continue to protect ourselves and protect one another. Hopefully, very soon, we will once again experience the grandeur of sharing the comradery and the pageantry of an in-person/hybrid service.

At the same time, though, we all are relishing this opportunity. We must be vigilant not only in maintaining our health, but also in maintaining a true sense of feeling secure. In that regard, several of us have attended security briefings and continue to do so. We are also preparing ourselves with some of the suggestions that we continue to receive from the Secure Community Network, the ADL, USCJ and other organizations. Needless to say, we cannot share all of them with you for safety reasons, but rest assured, we will be meeting in the next week or so, to be prepared, so that both you and I will be able to feel the presence of spirituality in our in-person/hybrid services.

Just a few items that you should be aware of as we begin our heightened awareness to our surroundings, both in shul and at our offices. Please note that the doors will remain locked at all times. Please do not hold open the door, as Ms. Manners might have taught you, for the next person unless you know who they are. Please bring your phones into services, though please keep them silenced. We will continue to be a community that believes in, and acts with kindnesses of, *tikkun olam*. Colleyville will not change that reality. We will simply be mindful of those who we welcome into our community, to insure our wellbeing, both in terms of Covid and in terms of a sense of security.

This month, we are once again bringing back the *Shabbat Table Experience*, over Zoom, on Friday, February 18th. For those of you who attended our last Shabbat meal together, it was a wonderful opportunity to share Shabbat dinner with others in our congregation and community. We will begin with kiddush and motzi and then go into breakout rooms, to share dinner with others, and talk within small groups as though we were in person at a table. The zoom experience allows us to do something we cannot do in person. We will also have a rotation so that every 10-15 minutes the rooms will change so that you will be able to talk with others. Cantor Michelle Rubenstein will be joining with us for that Shabbat evening. While we still are unable to share the comradery in person, the *Shabbat Table Experience* is one that fosters what makes our community so unique and special. In advance, thank you to Judy Engel for all of her efforts in helping to make this Shabbat experience unique. (Thank you, Kirk, as well.) And to everyone who assisted, in advance, *todah rabbah*. I hope you will make a reservation to join us. And while we will be providing those who want with a Shabbat meal, please feel free to join us with your own sumptuous Shabbat meal, if you so choose.

L'shalom,
Rabbi K

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SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

In-person services, held at Temple Emanu-El, will resume on Shabbat mornings. These services are also available via Zoom.

Daily Services	Service	Candle Lighting	Shabbat ends	Daily Services
Sunday-Friday Sunday-Thursday	Morning Service Evening Service			8:15 a.m. 7:30 p.m.
Friday 2/4	**7:00 p.m. Shir Shabbat with Marcia Reinhard**	4:50 p.m.		
Saturday 2/5	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Shabbat Morning Service **via Zoom only**		5:53 p.m.	
Friday 2/11	**7:00 p.m. Shir Shabbat with Cantor Cohn**	4:59 p.m.		
Saturday 2/12	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Morning Service in person at TEE & via Zoom		6:01 p.m.	
Friday 2/18	**6:00 p.m. Zoom Shabbat Dinner 7:00 p.m. Shir Shabbat with Cantor Rubenstein**	5:08 p.m.		
Saturday 2/19	**10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Simcha Shabbat Shabbat Morning Service in person at TEE & via Zoom**		6:09 p.m.	
Friday 2/25	**7:30 p.m. HIAS Refugee Shabbat with area synagogues at Temple Emanu-El & via Zoom**	5:16 p.m.		
Saturday 2/26	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Shabbat Morning Service in person at TEE & via Zoom		6:17 p.m.	

Our Mission Statement: The mission of Congregation Beth El is to foster a welcoming, diverse, and egalitarian community within the framework of Conservative Judaism, and to enrich the lives of its members through worship, learning, fellowship, celebration and tikun olam—healing the world.

President's Message

Dear Congregants,

I am writing to share lots of information with you! If you are reading this message, please send me an email letting me know that you are reading the bulletin. Please use presidentcongregationbethel@gmail.com.

We had a wonderful Tu B'Shevat Seder via Zoom. The shortbread cookie recipe is included in this bulletin, but I suggest using less salt in the recipe. Otherwise, they were delicious! We are also organizing another Beth El pre-ordered meal & Shabbat Zoom dinner which will be held on **Friday, February 18th**, when we will also be joined by Cantor Michelle Rubenstein. Dona Casey will be preparing a meal of boneless chicken with mushrooms in a balsamic sauce with sides. **You must reserve your meal(s) by Friday, February 11th**. *There is no cost for the meals.* Meals will be available for **drive-thru picup at Temple Emanu-El on Friday, February 18th between 2-3:00 p.m.** We will eat our Shabbat dinners together while chatting on **Zoom at 6:00 p.m., with services following at 7:00. To order your meal(s), please RSVP timely to the Beth El office.**

I hope that, by the time you read this letter, the Omicron variant has subsided and that it is safe to be back in person with hybrid services. We are tentatively planning to be back in person with hybrid services on Saturday, February 12th. We will still be following the same Covid safety protocols as before. The only change is that now we will be keeping the outside doors locked. Of course, our greeter will let you in!

As you all know, we are collectively very grateful that the hostage situation in Colleyville, Texas ended with all the hostages escaping without physical harm. Be assured that your executive board and board of directors is looking into best security practices to keep our congregants safe. Several of us have attended USCJ and JFEC seminars on how to stay safe when we congregate.

In other news, we are moving forward with our real estate search for our new home. I plan to hold a congregational meeting as soon as I possibly can to update you. Your board understands the urgent need for Congregation Beth El to have our own home.

Happy February! Let's hope spring is around the corner!

Judy Engel,

President of Congregation Beth El

JETI Talks

On Tuesday, February 1st at 6:30 p.m.,

A representative of the Michael J. Fox Foundation will cover genetics in Parkinson's with a focus on MJFF's Parkinson's Progression Markers Initiative (PPMI).

Save the date: **Tuesday, March 1st at 6:30 p.m. for the following JETI Talk. A Professional Organizer, Sandra Wheeler, will share key steps to getting more organized in your home or office.**

Congregation Beth El's program of Jewish Education, Theology and Information Talks (JETI Talks) is now a monthly program.
JETI Talks will be taking place on the first Tuesday of each month.

Past talks can be viewed anytime on our YouTube channel: 'Congregation Beth El of New London, CT'

If you would like to give a talk, please contact Beth El office at 860-442-0418, or by email at office@bethel-nl.org.

Congregation Beth El has a YouTube Channel!

Look for **"Congregation Beth El of New London, CT"** on YouTube.com or go to the link:

https://youtube.com/channel/UCZbZ52vMnhP4doypS4MFzKQ/featured

Here you can view all of our past JETI Talks!

Beth El Zoom Shabbat Meal – Friday, February 18th

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Healthcare Workers Morale Booster Initiative

Judy Engel has started an initiative to boost the morale of our healthcare workers by providing them with catered meals. The first meal was ordered and catered by Panera bread and served the ICU and CCU daytime and evening shifts of 34 people each which cost $419 each. Judy is reaching out to you to make a donation to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund and earmark it for meals for healthcare workers. She coordinated the meals at L &M Hospital with Judi Goldberg. Meals will also be delivered to Backus Hospital for day and evening shifts. Please feel free to contact Judy if you have any questions, (860) 912-0600. Thank you, in advance, for your support of this initiative.

Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Kideckel

1st & 3rd Thursday of each month from 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Thursdays, February 3 & 17 at 12:00 via Zoom

Zoom link will be sent with the weekly announcements.

Thank you to...

Our Tu B'Shevat volunteers:

For baking cookies—Len Cohen, Judy Engel, Hinda Kimmel

Preparing the goodie bags—Linda Agranovitch, Eila Cohen, Linda Cohen

Ella Sackett for her years of service as an office manager for Congregation Beth El. Mazel Tov on your new position with JFEC as the Holocaust Resource Center Coordinator!

JEWS AND BREWS

Join Jews and Brews, a social group for young Jewish adults in their 20s and 30s in southeastern Connecticut.

Please contact Liza Aberbach at liza.aberbach@gmail.com or 860-367-2275 or search for and request to join the Facebook group Jews and Brews of Southeastern CT where you can find out about future events.

We would love to have you join us for our next Jews and Brews event!

"Bring Your Own Bagel" on Sunday, February 13, 2022

10:00 a.m. via Zoom

Faye Ringel

"The Three Stooges and the Yiddish Theater"

Since Adam Sandler's Chanukah song, everybody knows that "All Three Stooges" were Jewish. But did you know that the Three Stooges (the Howard family and Larry Fine) got their start in the Yiddish theater and vaudeville? Dr. Faye Ringel, author of an article in the scholarly collection Stoogeology will talk about the Jewish traditions of physical comedy, slapstick, and (suitably!) The Three Stooges.

~All are welcome ~

Zoom Link will be send closer to the event

Recipe of the Month!

Classic Shortbread Cookies

The cookies from our delicious Tu B'Shevat treat bags!

Ingredients:
2 cups (256 g) all-purpose flour
1 cup (115 g) powdered sugar
1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
1 cup (227 g) unsalted butter, room temp & cut into pieces

Instructions:

1. Preheat the oven to 325 F and line 3 baking sheets with Parchment paper.

2. Combine ingredients:
   Cream butter and powdered sugar together in the bowl of a food processor and then add the flour, and salt. Process for 30 to 60 seconds. Stop when the mixture forms one mass in the bowl. If it's not doing that, keep going in 10 second increments until it does. The dough is ready when it clumps together when pressed.

3. Bring the dough together. Dump the dough onto the counter and gently press is together. Lightly knead the dough a few times and form it into a square shape. If it's still crumbly, keep kneading it until it makes a cohesive dough, or pop it back in the food processor for a few more pulses.

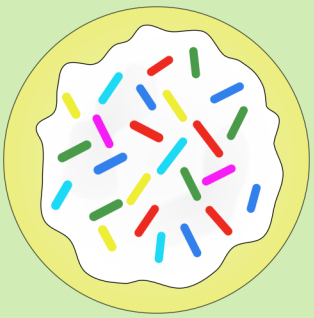
4. Chill the dough. If the dough is quite soft, chill it in the refrigerator for 10-20 minutes until it's cool but still pliable.

5. Roll and cut the dough. Roll the dough out on a well-floured surface to a 1/4 to 1/2 inch thickness (depending on how thick you like your cookies) and either use a knife to cut out rectangles or use a cutter to make shapes.

6. Transfer the cookies to one of the parchment-lined baking sheets. Chill the cookies on the sheet pan in the freezer for 15 minutes or until the cookies are solid to the touch. Then transfer the frozen cookies, in batches, onto the other baking sheets,
   leaving about 1/2 inch between each cookie.

7. Bake the cookies, one pan at a time, for 18 to 23 minutes, or until the cookies are dry to the touch and the bottoms just begin to turn golden.

8. Remove from the oven and cool on a rack before transferring to a container for storage. The baked and cooled cookies can be stored in an air tight container for several days.



Musical Shabbat Services in February

Shir Shabbat Service

beginning at **7:00 p.m.** on:

Friday, February 4th,

with Marcia Reinhard

Friday, February 11th,

with Cantor Sanford Cohn

Friday, February 18th,

with Cantor Michelle Rubenstein

HIAS Refugee Shabbat, February 25th 7:30 PM

Temple Bnai Israel, Congregation B'nai Shalom, Beth Jacob Synagogue, Congregation Ahavath Achim, Congregation Beth El, and Temple Emanu-El will be hosting a joint HIAS Refugee Shabbat **on Friday night, February 25th on Zoom and (as of this writing) in person at Temple Emanu-El.** The American heritage as a welcoming home for those fleeing oppression and danger in their home countries is a dear and often personal heritage for the Jewish community. We'll be focusing our Refugee Shabbat service on making sure that that heritage is strengthened in our times in our communities. We'll hear from Chris George, Executive Director of IRIS - Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services, which is the sponsoring organization for the refugees several of our congregations have helped or will help settle. We'll also hear from a leader of the local efforts in our communities, Cheryl Molina from Start Fresh in Greater New London. The service will also include music and poetry that highlights the refugee issue, in addition to our traditional Shabbat prayers. This will be a wonderful opportunity to learn about this issue, celebrate accomplishments, and give ourselves chizuk – strength – to continue the work of welcoming. This Shabbat is part of the national HIAS Refugee Shabbat initiative. HIAS is the main Jewish organization working on refugee issues. Drawing on our Jewish values and history, it provides vital services to refugees and asylum seekers around the world and advocates for their fundamental rights so they can rebuild their lives.

Below is a shortened version of an article from The Day about Beth El members Tierney & Cameron Backus.

Published December 27. 2021 by Greg Smith

Lisbon, CT — Tierney Backus described her first attempt last year to make sufganiyot as an "epic failure." The 29-year-old mother of three young boys was not discouraged. She plans to try again soon, but in the meantime, she's been honing her skills and preparing family Hanukkah favorites that included latkes and meat knish while mixing in some traditional Jewish foods such as matzo ball soup and challah, a braided egg bread.

Backus has been all in on Jewish foods over the past several years, ever since she decided she was going to convert to Judaism. For orthodox and Conservative Jewish denominations, Judaism is a matrilineal religion. If the mother is Jewish, the kids are Jewish regardless of the father's religion.

The move to convert, Backus said, was as much about finding her own religion as it was about about grounding her children in Judaism.

Backus and her husband, Cameron, a tugboat operator, met and married while serving in the Navy and come from families with varied religious backgrounds. She was raised Catholic, having attended Catholic schools while growing up in Nebraska, but said her mother was a Seventh-Day Adventist and her father was Lutheran.

Her parents taught her the fundamentals of religion but opted to let her explore her own way. And while her husband identified as Jewish, neither were living religious lifestyles and had drifted away from religious services until after their first child was born.

"When we had kids we said we kind of have to pick a lane," she said. "We were raising them the way we were raised."

Backus had already learned a lot about Judaism, a religion that had always stuck out for her because of its customs and traditions.

"It's not just a religion. It's a community and an identity," she said.

It was Cameron's grandmother, Ann-Beth Ostroff, who helped pass along the cherished Jewish traditions Backus said she came to know and love. The family spent time at Ostroff's home in Cape Cod, relying on her to lead the customs and faith practices that accompanied the Jewish holidays. She died of cancer in 2018, and Backus said her absence left a big hole in both her and her husband's lives as well as a religious void.

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"She had a special place for me in my heart. She would call me every week and ask how I was doing. She became my psuedo bubby," she said.

It was after Ostroff's death that Backus started her work toward conversion to Judaism in earnest "and kind of went all in," making her home a Jewish home. She used You Tube videos as guidance for prayers during the initial Hanukkah celebrations and has worked with a rabbi, studied, attended weekly services and celebrates Shabbat.

She officially converted in July and is a member of Congregation Beth El in New London.

Backus has also worked to make a kosher home.

Backus said she tries to be picky about meat and poultry, looking for locally raised products where she can.

The memory of her husband's grandmother is still alive in her home since much of the Jewish literary and historical materials, known as Judaica was passed on to her home, but the Backus family is quickly making their own traditions.

Mazel Tov to

Dr. Matthew Lissauer for his recent appointment

as the new division chief of the acute care Surgery division

at Hartford Hospital & Hartford Healthcare.

Good Luck to Inna & Leonid Vodonos

on their move to a new beginning in Illinois!

Mazal Tov to Chuck & Romana Primus

on their granddaughter, Jessica Ruth Primus,

becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

Jessica is the daughter of Richard Primus & Eve Brensike Primus.

Spring is almost here!

Please join us for next month's JETI Talk,

On March 1st at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom and get some tips from Sandra Wheeler, a professional organizer

Spring Clearing
Let's Get Organized

Tuesday, March 1, 2022
6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Sponsored by: Congregation Beth El
JETI Talk Series

Sandra Wheeler – Professional Organizer and owner of For Peace of Mind – will share key steps to getting more organized in your home or office.

Don't just clean your house; 'clear' your house. Learn steps to organize what you use and love and how to let go of the rest. See your spaces differently and repurpose them.

Sandra Wheeler is a member of the National Association of Professional Organizers. She has earned her Specialist Certificates in Essentials of Organizing; Residential Organizing; Life Transitions; Workplace Productivity. Sandra served on the NAPO-CT Board from 2008-2016 and received the Founders Award for her contributions. Sandra also earned her Feng Shui Certification from the New England School of Feng Shui.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Ella Agranovich
Linda Agranovitch
Jacob Betz
Marcia Bratin
Garon Camassar
Linda Cohen
Maier Fein
Julie Fryburg
Adam Goldstein
Amy Goldstein
Raisa Kamenetskaya
Elliot Kimmel
Margot Levy
Barbara Lewis
Jared Linder
Bella Lisker
Ivan Lissauer
Jill Mehlman
Tracee Reiser
Joyce Resnikoff
Allan Rhodes
Laura Sabra
David Salsburg
Yelena Sapozhnikov
Gabe Stern
Mark Wolman

HAPPY FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARY to:

Nadine & Mark Lipman
Bobbie & Arvin Pine
Fran & David Salsburg
Liora & Neer Zeevi

Thank you to our…

January Simcha Shabbat Service Sponsors:

Richie Simonson & Phyllis Holtzman, in honor of Richie's birthday

Reva & Mel Coleman, in honor of Mel's birthday

Dan & Karla Bendor, in honor of Dan's birthday

Stuart & Sue Miller, in honor of daughter Wendy's birthday

Next Simcha Shabbat - February 19th

*The Simcha Shabbat service for this month will be held on **Saturday, February 19th at 10:00 a.m.** If you are celebrating a birthday, anniversary, new child/grandchild, promotion, retirement or other happy event, let us know! If you'd like to have an honor or would like to be a sponsor of the **February Simcha Shabbat** service, please contact the Beth El office.*

DONATIONS

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In memory of Ruth M. Kronick
Pat & Jim kronick
In honor of Nancy Brand's granddaughter for her Bat Mitzvah
Pat & Jim kronick
In honor of Rabbi Kideckel
Joanne Wills
In memory of Eleanor Kopman, Mimi Seed's sister
Judy & Kirk Engel
In honor of Jessica, Chuck & Romana's granddaughter's Bat Mitzvah
Karla & Dan Bendor
In memory of Eleanor Kopman, Mimi Seed's sister
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In honor of Holly Medwick's wonderful aerobics class that does so much for people's physical & emotional health
Karla & Dan Bendor
In memory of Eleanor Kopman, Mimi Seed's sister
Robert & Mona Levin

BETH EL DISCRETIONARY FUND

In memory of Gabriella P. Schlesinger, Ernest C. Schlesinger
David & Rachel Schlesinger
In memory of Jeff Cohen
Alan & Estelle Bogdonoff

ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Stewart Krieger at yahrzeit
Sally & Lewis Baker
In memory of Bessie Baker at yahrzeit
Sally & Lewis Baker
In memory of George Krieger at yahrzeit
Sally & Lewis Baker
In memory of Rosalyn Braverman at yahrzeit
Sally & Lewis Baker
In loving memory of Evelyn Mehlman at yahrzeit
Beth & Garon Camassar & family
In memory of Dave Weinbaum at yahrzeit
Ed Cramer
In memory of Ronald Henry Weiss at yahrzeit
Linda, Len & Dana Cohen
In memory of Sydney Weiss at yahrzeit
Linda, Len & Dana Cohen

HAROLD JULI FUND

In memory of Harold Juli at yahrzeit
Harriet Juli
In memory of Eleanor Kopman, Mimi Seed's sister
Harriet Juli
In memory of Harold Juli at yahrzeit
Karla & Dan Bendor

STROCHLITZ FUND

In memory of her mother, Belle Jayson
Sema Stein

CHILDREN'S LIBRARY FUND

For the good health and speedy recovering of Dottie Gladstone
Holly & Ron Medwick
In loving memory of Stephen Herman
Holly & Ron Medwick

BUILDING FUND

In honor of Dr. Matthew Lissauer for his recent appointment as the new division chief of the acute care Surgery division at Hartford Hospital & Healthcare
Ellen & Ivan Lissauer
In memory of Yefim Rabinovich
Sarah Rogovin
For the swift recovery of Micah Landesberg
Sarah Rogovin
In memory of Kalman & Mina Gastfreund
Mona & Robert Levin

JANUARY YAHRZEIT FLOWER FUND

In memory of Leon de Haaff
Sue & Stuart Miller
In memory of Mina Gastfreund
Mona & Robert Levin
In memory of Dora Nalibotski
Helen Elperina
In memory of their mother, Martha Pollack
Alan Pollack; Arlene Pollack & Sandra Davidson
In memory of Lena Gottesdiener
Mendy Gottesdiener
In memory of Rebecca Katrosar
Hinda & Elliot Kimmel & family
In memory of Solomon Gershowitz
Jeannette Gershowitz
In memory of Dr. Robert Moyel at yahrzeit
Eunice Greenberg
In memory of William Miller
Stuart & Sue Miller
In memory of Viliam Bratin
Karl & Marcia Bratin
In memory of Lillian Korman
Karl & Marcia Bratin
In memory of Morris Golden
David Golden

YAHRZEITS

February 4, 2022

Adar I 4—February 5
Eva Pliner

Adar I 5—February 6
Golda Dranova
Benjamon Hillsberg
Joseph Wool

Adar I 6—February 7
Yefim Chernovitsky
Louis Hochman
Rose Slosberg
Ada Swindler
Ceila Swiman

Adar I 7—February 8
Niel Getzoff
Freda Greengrass
Louis Rodensky
Phyllis Thall

Adar I 8—February 9
Bernard Cohen
Doris Rosenthal
William Swiman

Adar I 9—February 10
Sidney Ravitz

Adar I 10—February 11
Nathaniel Meshekow
Shoshana Preiss
Ida Sulman

February 11, 2022

Adar I 11—February 12
Ida Detz
Joseph DubowskiNathan Peck
Yakov Shterman
Nathalie Tanenbaum

Adar I 12—February 13
Benjamin Bergin
Manuel Finkle
Pincus Gruber
Samuel Smith

Adar I 13—February 14
Liliya Beckman
Selma Camassar
Mollie Sokol Ellis
Benjamin Gordon
Joseph Klotz
Theodore Levy
Tillie Mandrick
Lillian Pollack
Anna Taub

Adar I 14—February 15
Sheyna Bekman
Rivka Dubowski
Edward Levinson
Harold Slosberg
Louis G. Sokol

Adar I 15—February 16
Donald Daren
Barbara Grand
William Mehlman

Adar I 16—February 17
Marcie Goldberg
Gloria Mandel

Adar I 17—February 18
Patricia Gilman
Saul Kanter

February 18, 2022

Adar I 18—February 19
Eve Feldman
Anna Goldberg
Mayme Elfenbein Meyer
Harry Pollack
Mabel Wener

Adar I 19—February 20
Louis Dean
William Feinberg
Victoria Glassenberg
Freda Iba
Samuel Pattek
William B. Perry
Rose Reingold
Martin Swidler

Adar I 20—February 21
Edward Agranovich
Rose Balkansky
Aaron Elfenbein
Allan Goldberg
Samuel Golumbic
Mollie Hyman
Dorothy Krinsky
Barbara Markowitz
Ben Steinman
Sylvia Weinberg

Adar I 21—February 22
Sheila Burger
David Kahn
Samuel Kaplan
Helen Kirsch
Robert Meshekow
Sarah Ofengand
Regina Ort
Oscar Silverman

Adar I 22—February 23
Irwin Braverman
Louise Goldberg
John Kroll
Ruth Lamchick
Burton Schaperow
Joseph Schuman
Herbert Stern

Adar I 23—February 24
Herbert Linder
Saul Shenfield
Joan Wickart

Adar I 24—February 25
Luois Belgrade
Jenny Cramer
Samuel Rodensky

February 25, 2022

Adar I 25—February 26
Joseph Fein
Bella Lubow
Mollie Main
Colman Mehlman
Ida Snider
Gertrude Steinman

Adar I 26—February 27
Sophie Braverman
Isaiah Moyel
Ernest Schlesinger
Harry Sharaf
Sarah Udolf

Adar I 27—February 28
Elayne Lichter

Adar I 28—March 1
Kathryn Linder Ecochard
George Owaroff
Oscar Smith

Adar I 29—March 2
Esther Fishman
Capt. Israel Jacobs
Esther Silverman

Adar II 1—March 4
Henrietta Schiller

We offer our condolences to
Mimi Seed
on the passing of her sister,
Eleanor Kopman

Habitat for Humanity®

Join us on our next build date!
Sunday, February 13th, from 12:30-4:30 p.m.
Build site is in Norwich

New volunteers are always welcome!

No experience is needed and it's very rewarding!
Please contact the Beth El Office office@bethel-nl.org
or Ed Goldberg goldbem@msn.com for more details.

Volunteers are Habitat SECT's most precious and reliable resource.

Contact: Bikur Cholim if you need assistance - meals, a ride, etc.

Volunteer: Offer to cook or drive!

Coordinator: Sema Stein 860-691-0654 semastein74@gmail.com
Nancy Brand 860-739-9733 nancybrand@sbcglobal.net

Bikur Cholim

Email Rabbi Kideckel at:

rabbikideckel@bethel-nl.org

Please feel free to call the office at any time for an appointment.
(860) 442-0418

BETH EL OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday:
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Tuesdays: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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February 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Morning service 8:15 a.m. **6:30 p.m. JETI Talk** Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	2 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	3 Morning service 8:15 a.m. **12:00 Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Kideckel** Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	4 Morning service 8:15 a.m. **7:00 p.m. Shir Shabbat with Marcia Reinhard** Candle Lighting 4:50	5 **10:00 a.m.** Shabbat Service **at** via Zoom only Shabbat Ends 5:53
6 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	7 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	8 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	9 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	10 Morning service 8:15 a.m. **7:00 p.m. Evening Service** **7:30 BOD Meeting**	11 Morning service 8:15 a.m. **7:00 p.m. Shir Shabbat with Cantor Cohn** Candle Lighting 4:59	12 **10:00 a.m.** Shabbat Service **at Temple Emanu-El** & via Zoom Shabbat Ends 6:01
13 Morning service 8:15 a.m. **10:00 a.m. Bring Your Own Bagel on Zoom** **12:30-4:30 Habitat for Humanity Build** Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	14 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	15 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	16 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	17 Morning service 8:15 a.m. **12:00 Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Kideckel** Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	18 Morning service 8:15 a.m. **2:00-3:00 Shabbat-Meal Pick-Up at Temple Emanu-El** **7:00 p.m. Shir Shabbat with Cantor Rubenstein** Candle Lighting 5:08	19 **10:00 a.m. February Simcha Shabbat Service at Temple Emanu-El** & via Zoom Shabbat Ends 6:09
20 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	21 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	22 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	23 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	24 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	25 Morning service 8:15 a.m. **7:30 p.m. HIAS Refugee Shabbat** Candle Lighting 5:16	26 10:00 a.m. Shabbat Service **at Temple Emanu-El** & via Zoom Shabbat Ends 6:17
27 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.	28 Morning service 8:15 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.					

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