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Our mission is to ensure the flourishing of Jewish life through educational, social and Conservative religious experiences in a warm and dynamic community.





See insert for information about our IN PERSON Tikkun Leil Shavuot this year!

From the Rabbi



This May marks a rare moment on the Jewish and secular calendars. On the Jewish calendar, we count three distinct Hebrew months during May: Nisan, Iyar and Sivan. This unique time gives us a natural pause to reflect on where we are standing at this precise moment, where we have come from and where we are going as a

congregation. We can look back, we can live in the present and we can look forward all at the same time.

Looking back on the year, we came together literally after a year of isolation during year one of the pandemic. Our congregation continued to be agile and adaptive, transitioning to combining in person and online participants for a hybrid community for programs, classes and services. We were always focused on health and safety and finding opportunities for those unable to join in person. This past year, we were there for each other like no other year, supporting each other, reaching out and caring through Chesed and so many initiatives and programs.

At this moment, I am proud to say that we are a strong and vibrant community. Shocked and saddened, we remain an engaged and connected congregation that is there for each other and committed to moving forward and healing together. Living in three dimensions allows us to always look forward. We look forward to welcoming our new Cantor, Alyssa Rosenbaum, to our community this summer, as well as enjoying many more programs, events and classes that we have planned. The heart and soul of our congregation is **YOU**, our congregational family. You contribute to our congregation in so many ways with your talents and treasure, participating, volunteering, and calling B'nai Jeshurun home.

I express my deepest gratitude to our leadership, President Rebekah Dorman and Officers, Trustees and Past Presidents, along with Cantor Shifman, Rabbi Foster, Jay Ross and our staff. We are all grateful Rebekah has led us with grace and strength through this adversity to steer us forward.

May we continue to move forward and heal together.

Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria

Candle Lighting

May 6	8:11 pm
May 13	-
May 20	8:25 pm
May 27	8:31 pm

Torah Portions

Kedoshim
Emor
Behar
Bechukotai

Daily Service Schedule

Live stream our services at www.bnaijeshurun.org/streaming or Zoom in via phone at (929) 205-6099 or computer at:

Sunday mornings:

https://zoom.us/j/91694216788

Weekday mornings:

https://zoom.us/j/96705935055

Weekday afternoons:

https://zoom.us/j/99872995020

Friday evening service:

https://zoom.us/j/99713360726

Shabbat morning services:

https://zoom.us/j/93333898986

Shabbat afternoon services: https://zoom.us/j/97870881168

Service Times:

Mondays - Fridays: 7:15 am, 6:00 pm Saturdays: 9:00 am, 6:00 pm Sundays: 8:00 am, 6:00 pm

The Friday evening service on May 20 will begin at 7 pm (Shabbat Rocks!)

Staff Announcement



Please join us in welcoming **Joscelyn Harris** as our Operations Manager. This is a new position that will encompass a number of duties as we implement some office reorganizational changes. Joscelyn is a Mayfield resident, where she grew up, belonged to The Temple – Tifereth Israel, and is a graduate of Bowling Green State University.

Joscelyn is very excited to join the staff of B'nai Jeshurun and bring her strong customer service background to serve our congregation, along with her experience in both the restaurant and real estate management fields.

Welcome to our New Members

Please give a warm welcome to our new members as you meet them in services and see them at programming.

Katie & Seth, Harper and Riley Gottlieb Faina Grinberg & Vincent Caserta Rachel & Matthew, Jillian and Nathan Kugelman Sandra & Steven Laserson Robert & Tuya Shwab Richard Tolen

President's Message



I first wrote this column in early April, focusing on our transition out of the pandemic. I reflected on what I had learned in my first year as President and was anticipating the second year of my presidency when we would return to "normal operations." Clearly recent events meant that I needed to adjust my vision of the coming year.

And yet, as I reflect on what I have learned during the past year I am struck by the fact that I don't need to revise that part of the column. In fact, what I had originally written rings even truer now to me. I have learned how loyal the membership of B'nai Jeshurun has been and continues to be.

As we now confront perhaps the most challenging event in our history, members' support for the shul has not wavered. It is through the many kind and supportive texts, emails, phone calls and in person conversations, too numerous to count, that I have felt lifted and strengthened by the congregation. Thank you for your loyalty, your belief in the synagogue and the better future that lies ahead.

Where do we go from here? During the pandemic our synagogue played a vital role tending to the mental health of our members. We were there for our members facing social isolation with phone calls, zoom meetings and services. We continue to offer zoom services and programs, which offer social connections for members still not able or ready to join us in person.

As we face this new unanticipated challenge, members are understandably expressing a wide range of emotions and are searching for coping strategies. Our synagogue will continue serving as a resource to meet the mental health needs of our congregation. I plan to appoint a Wellness Task Force to assess the needs of our congregation, and report on recommendations for programming and resources to enhance what we offer to our members. While I had planned to create this Task Force before our sudden clergy transition, it is now an even more urgent priority, so that we find ways to support our members in this year of healing, as they have supported leadership. We are, and will continue to be, in this together.

Dr. Rebekah Dorman

156th Annual Meeting

Sunday, May 1 • 4 pm

Mazal tov to our awardees:



Umansky

Dan Umansky -Recipient of the Joseph M. Lomberg Award for Outstanding Individual Service

Shulamith & Gerald Erenberg -Recipients of the Rabbi Rudolph M. Rosenthal Outstanding Family Award



Erenberas

Voting will take place from 10 am – noon. Attend in person or stream at https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/streaming.

Honoring Cantor Shifman

Gala Cantorial Concert

Sunday, June 12 • 7 pm

Featuring Eric Freeman • Netanel Hershtik Yaakov Lemmer • Alberto Mizrahi Aaron Shifman

Free & open to the community.

See back cover for more information.

Shabbat, May 7 • 9 am

Services will be led by past Adult B'nai Mitzvah classes in honor of Cantor Shifman. If you would like to participate, contact Susan Nash (snash@thenashgroupllc.com or 440-759-3042). Chairs: Shirley Haas & Susan Nash

Shabbat, June 4 • 9 am

Services will be led by minyanaires in honor of Cantor Shifman. If you would like to participate, contact Robert Zelwin (216-409-9928 or rzelwin@aol.com).

RSVP encouraged for the lunches to https://cutt.ly/ShifmanLunches.

Reading Names for Yahrzeit

Beginning Shabbat, May 13 & 14, we will return to our former custom of reading names for yahrzeit upon request only. Please either notify an usher when you arrive at services or contact Diane Dronzek by 4 pm on the Thursday prior to yahrzeit.

Education & Youth



The Power of Camp

We often think of summer as time off, a break from school, and time to play outside. For me, however, summer is among the best opportunities for children to have "time on." It is not by accident that the Jewish people call

themselves *Am Yisrael* – "the people of Israel" – rather than Dat Yisrael, "the religion of Israel." A sense of peoplehood has long been a defining characteristic for us. What better way to learn about Jewish values, Shabbat and Jewish community than by being immersed in Am Yisrael – an intensive 24/7 Jewish community with one's peers?

Making our way through the pandemic, I am excited to bring back the many immersive experiences we have not had the ability to hold the last two years. At the same time, I am also reminiscing on time I have spent with many of your children at Camp Wise and at Camp Ramah in Canada over the years, where I've had the privilege to watch so many young people excited to celebrate their Judaism. The ruach (energy) that I've felt during my visits remind me of the central role Camp Ramah played instilling in me a strong sense of Jewish identity over the summers I spent there as a child, and I have had the wonderful opportunity to see camp work its magic again year after year. Every moment is an opportunity for Jewish learning and Jewish teaching, a time to form bonds with the people who will become friends for life.

We are proud to offer a top-notch Jewish education here at B'nai Jeshurun, much of which is modeled on the magic of camp. There is simply nothing quite like singing *Shalom Aleichem* together with one's *tzrif* (cabin) on Shabbat or being able say the Shehechayanu upon sailing for the first time that helps our children develop their Jewish identities.

I would love to speak with you and your child about the wonderful summer opportunities available to you and about the support in our synagogue to ensure that every child has the ability to experience camp!

Rabbi Josh Foster

KabbaTOT Shabbat

May 6 • 5:15 pm

Let's welcome Shabbat together with a craft, songs, a story and fun with Rabbi Hal and Rabbi Josh. Kids are encouraged to wear pajamas (adults, too, if they would like!) Every family will receive a take home Shabbat bag with yummy treats. Please register at https://cutt.ly/KabbaTOTmay6.

B'nai Mitzvah



JOSHUA LIANG WOLINSKY Shabbat morning, May 14 Joshua attends Mayfield Middle School and lives in Highland Heights. He enjoys piano, tennis, swimming and golf. For his Mitzvah Project, he is volunteering at the Kosher Food

Pantry and donating money to the JFC Ukraine Emergency Relief Fund. He is the son of Yingli & Mark Wolinsky, brother of Jacob Wolinsky and grandson of Kunzhi Song. Joshua is also the grandson of the late Yongfong He and Dorothy & Louis Wolinsky.



GIDEON COY LEVINE POLSTER Shabbat morning, May 21

Gideon attends Mandel JDS and lives in Shaker Heights. He enjoys baking, cooking, geography, programming and Model UN. For his Mitzvah Project, he is baking and delivering homemade treats

to healthcare workers at UH Ahuja. He is the son of Eliana LeVine & Josh Polster, brother of Rylan and Lia Polster and grandson of Berinthia & Mark LeVine and Shelly Polster. Gideon is also the grandson of the late Frankie Polster.



ZACHARY ALAN KRIVIS Shabbat morning, May 28

Zachary attends Solon Middle School and enjoys cross country, track and playing trombone in the school band. For his Mitzvah Project, he is assisting seniors with technology.

He is the son of Orit & Joe Krivis, brother of Gabriella Krivis and grandson of Ann Chaia & Arie Teomi and Anita Krivis. Zach is also the grandson of the late Alan Krivis.

Family Pre-Shabbat Rocks! Ice Cream Party May 20 • 6:15 pm

Come enjoy an ice cream treat and some time to schmooze and play on the playground, then stay for Shabbat Rocks! at 7pm. No RSVP required.



From Our Affiliates

Sisterhood Lunch & Learn

The History of Cheesecake Tuesday, May 17 • noon

Beth Salomon joins us for this redo of a pre-pandemic program. RSVP to Robin Rood (rroodrd@gmail.com or 440-666-7658) by May 16. \$10 per person, payable at the door.



Sisterhood Book Discussion

Wednesday, May 18 • 4 pm

We will discuss The Orchard: a novel by David Hopen. All are invited to join us at

BJC or on Zoom at https://zoom.us/s/94643444755. Contact Fay Blumenthal with questions (blumfay@gmail.com). June's book is Morningside Heights by Joshua Henkin.

Men's Club Happy Hour

Wednesday, May 4 • starting at 5 pm



The happy hours are open to everyone. This month, our congregant and friend Dr. Malcolm Brahms will present part two of his experiences as the Cleveland Browns physician in the

heyday of the football team. https://zoom.us/i/98638176416.

The following Officers will be installed at a dinner on June 26:

Mitch Lauer, President Joel Herman, Vice President David Cohen, Secretary Harvey Wasserman, Treasurer

Sisterhood 2022-23 Installation

Thursday, May 26 • 7 pm

Join us for installation followed by a dessert reception in person or on stream. Free; all are welcome. Register by May 20 at https://cutt.ly/SHDInstallation or email Harriet Rosenberg Mann (harrietrmann@gmail.com).

Program includes thank you to members completing roles and election of new officers and board members:

President Sue Nash

Co - VP Programming Grace Brower, Carolyn Marcs Co -VP Fundraising Cindy Borenzstein, Sherry Banchek Co -VP Membership Marcy Weinstein, Ileen Tepper

Recording Secretary Julie Berman Corresponding Secretary Nina Rosner Treasurer **Kelly Kitsis** Assistant Treasurer Nikki Adler Advisor **Robin Rood**

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How to React to Anti-Semitism

Friday – Sunday, May 13-15 **Columbus**

FJMC KIO Region presents this Shabbaton. All are welcome to attend, but registration is required by May 5 to https://cutt.ly/FJMC-Weekend2022. Contact Jerry Brodsky with questions (jerry brodsky2@gmail.com).

Wine & Cheese with ATID

Friday, May 20 • 6:15 pm



End the week and get ready to kick off the weekend and Shabbat with ATID. We'll meet at B'nai Jeshurun and hopefully be outside to mingle and enjoy wine, cheese and other snacks. Plan to stay after for Shabbat Rocks! featuring a live band

playing some of today's most upbeat Jewish music. Bring your friends. Register online by May 18 at https://cutt.ly/ATIDwine-cheese. Contact Shani Kadis to learn more.

Upcoming Events

The Genocide of Jewish Children during the Holocaust

with Dr. Irving Berkowitz Sunday, May 15 – 8 am Minyan; 9 am Breakfast; 9:30 am Program

This powerful lecture will focus on the murder of Jewish children as the keystone of the Nazi plan to implement a "Final Solution to the Jewish Question." Some of the most notorious abusers will be profiled. He will also share a few inspiring stories of courage, perseverance, resilience and triumph. His talk will conclude with a fundamental question, "Did the moment of liberation and the end of the war in Europe come too late for the Jewish people?" Learn more about our speaker and register at https://cutt.ly/IrvingBerkowitz. Also available on stream and Zoom at https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83173918598.



This program is free through the generosity of The Dr. Yael R. Cohen Memorial Lecture Series in conjunction with Kol Israel Foundation and the Ida and Sam Zelwin Family Fund at B'nai Jeshurun Congregation.

Run, Hide, Fight Training Thursday, May 12 • 7 pm



As we return to the building, we need to consider security issues in our current world. While some of our members attended security training prior to the pandemic, it has been over two years since there has been any in person training. As both a refresher and for those who have never attended these sessions, the Pepper Pike Police Department will be providing Run, Hide, Fight training for those interested.

This training will be in person at the synagogue and provide valuable information to handle emergency situations. Register at https://cutt.ly/Run-Hide-Fight-Training. Please contact Jay Ross with questions.

Shabbat Rocks!

Fridays, May 20, June 17, July 15 and August 19 • 7 pm

This season has been generously underwritten by The Jan & Ron Moskowitz Family, Sidney Reisman and Jocelyn & Peter Saltz.



Bring your families to this wonderful evening, with a live band playing some of today's most upbeat Jewish music. Multiple musical genres are woven through the service, highlighting text from each of the Psalms, which creates an energizing and engaging service. A

specialized prayer book offers Hebrew, transliteration and English to make this service user friendly. Listen to and download tracks from our website. Services will be held in the Linden Family Courtyard, weather permitting.

Dessert Reception honoring Paula Botkin

Thursday, June 16 • 6:30 pm



After 36 years of dedicated service to Beth Am and B'nai Jeshurun, Paula Botkin will be retiring at the end of June. We are sad to see her go, and will miss her experience, knowledge and long hours of support for the synagogue. Her children and grandchildren are excited that

she and Randy are moving to Columbus, and family comes first in our community. Please join us to say thank you and *l'hitraot* to Paula for her many years of service, helping our Jewish community stay strong and vibrant. Yasher Koach and we all wish her well.

Upcoming Events

BJC Fitness Challenge (#BJCfit) Thru May 19



All ages are encouraged to participate! New activities are being added. Learn more and register at https://cutt.ly/BJCfit. All proceeds will go directly to JCF's Ukraine Emergency Relief Fund. \$18 Per Person | \$36 Family Max

Walk with Linda Sunday, May 1 • 10 am

Join Linda Schoenberg for a leisurely 4 mile walk on a beautiful, scenic paved path at Euclid Creek Reservation. Appropriate for all ages and levels. Although there is no fee, please register at https://cutt.ly/LindaWalk so we know you are joining us.

Hike with Rabbi Hal Sunday, May 1 • 1 pm

Take a fun afternoon hike at Squire's Castle. Meet in front of the castle. RSVP to Shani Kadis.

Kosher Fitness with Rabbi Michael Ungar Wednesdays, May 4 & 11 • 10 am

Join Certified Personal Trainer (and Rabbi!) Michael Ungar for a workout appropriate for all levels. In person and on Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/98278241024.

Spring Sing! with Tkiya Sunday, May 1 • 10 am

Join our guest musician Carla Friend, Executive Director and Founder of Tkiya for this special morning, geared for little ones ages 6 and under. We will sing, dance, create, hear a story, and play as we explore the concept of gratitude, Todah. Free, and open to all. Learn more and register at https://cutt.ly/Tkiya. Contact Julie Sukert with questions.

Canine Shabbat

Friday, June 10 • 6 pm

Bring your furry friends for a picnic dinner and our own Shabbat service. All dogs will receive the "Barking Blessing." We will be collecting items for Rescue Village. Learn more and register at https://cutt.ly/Canine-Shabbat2022.

Tee It Up at B'nai Jeshurun's

9th Annual Golf Outing with Cantor Shifman

Monday, June 20 (Rain Date: June 27)



Join us at Punderson Golf Course. Registration is \$45 by June 6 and \$55 afterwards. Price includes 18 holes of golf and a cart followed by a kosher boxed lunch catered

by Kantina, snacks, awards and a cash bar! Register at https://cutt.ly/2022GolfRegistration. Shani Kadis with questions.

Yom HaZikaron Tuesday, May 3 • 7 pm • The Temple-Tifereth Israel

Unite with the Cleveland community in commemorating the legacy and sacrifice of Israel's fallen soldiers and terror victims. Join us for a meaningful event with songs and prayers to honor the lives of the ones we have lost and to show our gratitude and respect. Registration is required to attend in person and space is limited.

Yom Ha'Atzmaut Thursday, May 5 • 5:30 - 8:00 pm

Join in for Cleveland's celebration of Israel's 74th Independence Day! There will be an outdoor carnival and fun for all ages including: live music, stilt walkers and jugglers, face painting and games, beer garden, spirit station, complete with Israel-themed swag, food available for purchase and more! The event will be held in the parking lot of the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage. In the case of rain or inclement weather, the festivities will be held indoors at The Temple-Tifereth Israel.

Visit https://www.jewishcleveland.org/israel74/ for updates and registration on these community events.

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Stay connected with BJC! Zoom in via computer or phone in at (929) 205-6099, the Meeting ID is the number at the end of each link. Please check our website frequently for updates. We look forward to seeing you in class! These classes are brought to you through the generosity of the Weingold Family. Zoom access to learning made possible by Ron Fersky in memory of parents Howard & Rita Fersky.

What's NU? with Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria Mondays • 10 am (no class May 2)

Topical text study and discussion on the most relevant Jewish topics of the day.

https://zoom.us/i/91220079234.

Staying Fit with Linda Schoenberg Mondays • 11 am (no class May 16)

Join certified Silver Sneakers instructor Linda Schoenberg for her 60-minute total body work out for seniors. Please have a sturdy chair, light weights and a squishy ball handy. Sponsored by Na'amat USA.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85880852411.

Parshat HaShavua with Prof. Doron Kalir, CSU Mondays • noon

Discuss the weekly Torah portion from a liberal viewpoint. In particular, we will examine implications of the text for today's community and the meaning of emunah (faith) in the 21st century.

https://zoom.us/j/94468946481.

Bible Study with Susan Wyner Tuesdays • 10:30 am

Join in for a close reading of the Bible as we make our way through our most central text. We are currently studying The Book of Judges.

https://zoom.us/j/94519361768

Kosher Fitness with Rabbi Michael Ungar Wednesdays, May 4 & 11 • 10 am

Bring your mat or towel, water bottle and dumbbells (if you have them) and join us on Zoom, https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4043842282, or on our YouTube Channel after class ends at https://cutt.ly/Youtube-Kosher-Fitness.

Mishnah: The Best Book You've Never Read with Rabbi Alan Lettofsky

Thursdays • 10:30 am

A small group of rabbis, over the course of a couple hundred years, laid out entire systems of holiday observance, civil and criminal law and taxation, among many others. It is the core of what we think of as Jewish tradition today.

https://zoom.us/i/98860343767.

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We note with sorrow the passing of

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Husband of Eleanor Davis Father of Joanne Davis and Michelle Golan **Brother of Doreen Davis**

*MATTHEW GOSS

Husband of Pam Goss

LAURI JOSEPH

Mother of Anne Heiss

TED KOHN

Father of Ilene Neides

LAWRENCE KUTIN

Father of Gena Cohen

RICHARD SAGER

Father of Tom Sudow

*JANE STECKLER

* B'nai Jeshurun member

We extend our deepest condolences to all the members of their families.

Happy Milestone Anniversary to:

Sonnie & Richard Martin	50 Years
Sima & Bruce Zucker	50 Years
Eilene & Larry Golub	40 Years
Ilene & Robert Neides	35 Years
Cari & Eric Marderstein	20 Years
Jill & Benjamin Stulberg	15 Years

Mazal Tov to

- · Nina & Seth Woolf on the birth of a daughter, Katherine Zelda Woolf.
- Rhonda & Randy Kertesz on the birth of a granddaughter, Rylie Blake Briest.
- · Marlene & Michael Willen on the birth of a granddaughter, Olivia Rose Panitz.
- Jennifer & Samuel Rosenberg on the engagement of their daughter, Michal, to Gadi Yungster.









Yungster & Rosenberg

(asher Xoach

- Maya Greller was elected to serve as CRUSY's Membership/Kadima VP. She is the daughter of Renee & Guy Greller.
- Plotkin Hannah completed successful term as CRUSY's Religion/ Education VP and is now serving as International USY's Religion/Education





VP. She is the daughter of Elise Braverman-Plotkin & Rabbi Shalom Plotkin.

Happy Milestone Birthday to:

Michael Bennett Jonathan Berns Carole Blake Natalie Bluestone Craig Cohen Chad Cohen Alison Dachner Shari Feldman-Rood **David Gelwasser**

Alan Goodman Jerry Gottlieb Sharen Halpern Rochelle (Cookie) Joseph Gail Kaplin Stanislava Katsman Les Keller Rose Lash Harold Levine

Irving Oleinick Joan Peters Vicki Resnick Marlene Sobol Eleanor Steigman **Rose Viny** Steven Viny Iris White





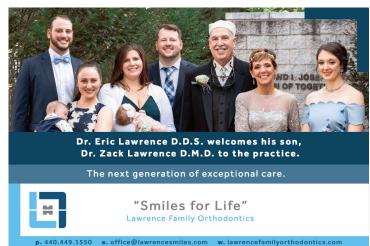
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1st Place = 25% of the proceeds 2nd Place = 15% of the proceeds 3rd Place = 10% of the proceeds

- Winners need not be present at the Tribute Dinner to participate/win.
- Raffle tickets will be sold thru May 22.
- Drawing will be held at the Nash Bash Tribute Dinner on May 22nd.
- To purchase a raffle ticket, please send a check made out to B'nai Jeshurun Congregation to the synagogue, attention Paula Botkin. Please write "50/50 Raffle Ticket" in the memo. You can also purchase raffle tickets by contacting Paula Botkin or Lorna Siegal or visit https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/nashbash.
- Raffle tickets are not considered a donation, so they are not tax deductible.

New Endowment Funds

Thank you to our members for establishing the following new endowment funds.

- Martin C. and Carole F. Blake Endowment Fund
- · Laurie and Ira Davis Endowment Fund
- · Jerry and Elaine Kohn Endowment Fund
- Drs. Halina and Alexander Podlipsky Mental Health Awareness Fund
- Sharon and Jerome Schmelzer Family Endowment Fund
- · Cantor Aaron Shifman Endowment Fund
- Lorna and Adam Siegal Synagogue Development Fund

These funds were established between September 30, 2021 and March 15, 2022.

Order Your Pavers by May 31st

Engraved pavers in the Linden Family Courtyard are ordered only once per year. We continue to hear about the satisfaction felt by congregants who have dedicated a paver in our beautiful courtyard.

Courtyard pavers provide a lasting way to:

- · Honor a family member or friend
- Pay tribute to a loved one
- Recognize a special event, wedding, B'nai Mitzvah, or milestone birthdav

Please place your paver order by May 31 to be part of the paver dedication which is planned for this fall.

Pavers are \$180 (8x8), \$360 (8x16) and \$720 (16x16). For more information, contact Lorna Siegal or visit our website.

The Gift of Giving

"You want to be the pebble in the pond that creates the ripple for change." Tim Cook



At B'nai Jeshurun, we are making a concerted effort to broaden the discussion about the many meaningful ways each of us can help strengthen the future of our congregation. There are so many synagogue giving opportunities, from purchasing a

Linden Courtyard paver, to attending the Nash Bash Tribute Dinner, to sponsoring a synagogue program, to establishing an endowment fund or estate plan, just to name a few. Together, we can help strengthen our synagogue and grow our vibrant community to secure a legacy for our children and our children's children. If you would like to create a Customized B'nai Jeshurun Giving Plan, please contact me. There is no better feeling than making a lasting contribution to a community that provides so much meaning to so many of our lives.

Lorna Siegal



A Great Gift Idea to Honor Cantor Shifman

The 2022/5782 Adult B'nai Mitzvah class has established a new endowment fund in honor of Cantor Aaron Shifman. The Cantor Aaron Shifman Endowment Fund is a restricted fund that that will provide financial assistance to support projects that are important to our beloved Cantor: Hebrew reading tutoring for congregants who need assistance; tutoring and mentoring for future Torah readers of all

levels; and financial assistance to offset the costs associated with future B'nai Jeshurun Adult B'nai Mitzvah programs.

By donating to the Cantor Aaron Shifman Endowment Fund, you will provide direct financial support to projects that are near and dear to Cantor Shifman's heart. Let's help grow this fund today so that the Cantor receives the largest donor wall flower possible at our Sunday, September 18th Donor Wall dedication.



Tribute and memorial donations received between February 16, 2022 through March 15, 2022 total \$11,055

To better manage administrative expenses, it is requested that contributions be at least \$10 or more each.

Thank you for helping us reduce the synagogue's cost, which increases the actual value of your gifts.

ABRAHAM FAMILY COURTYARD FUND

In Honor of: Birthday of **Harry Abraham** by Marcia Rosenthal

JULIUS ABRAMS MINYAN FUND

In Memory of: **Bob Zelvy** by Sandra Zelvy

ADULT B'NAI MITZVAH SUKKAH DECORATING FUND

In Honor of: Bat Mitzvah of **Sherry Levy** by Joyce Kleinman

ALIYAH FUND

In Memory of: **Armond Berk** by Marilyn & Stuart Deicher

EUNICE AND ERNEST BENCHELL ENDOWMENT FUND

In Honor of:
Milestone anniversaries of
Sabrina & Cantor Aaron
Shifman, Jodi & Jeffrey
Gottlieb, Marsha & Melvin
Strauss and Judith & Alan
Riga by Eunice Benchell
In Memory of:
Lillian Schneider by Arlene &
Larry Turbow

BEVA BERKOWITZ USY FUND

In Memory of: Elise Goldner by Mary & Murray Berkowitz

MARY AND MURRAY BERKOWITZ KITCHEN FUND

In Memory of: **Sylvia Katz** by Mary & Murray Berkowitz...**Herbert Bell** by

BETH AM ENRICHMENT FUND

Judith & Dirk Moroff

In Memory of: **Edward Malkis** by Marlene Ricanati

PHYLLIS AND JULES BOOKATZ FUND FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

In Honor of:
Milestone birthday of **Selma Bookatz** by Carole & Bart
Bookatz...Milestone birthday
of and speedy recovery to **Eunice Benchell** by Joanne &
Dan Umansky

In Memory of: **Michael Lader** and **Elayne Harris** by Carole & Bart Bookatz

TEMPLE BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT FUND

In Honor of:
Bat Mitzvah of **Sherry Levy**by Nancy Greystone & Jerry
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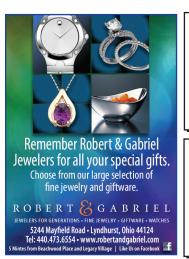


One year ago, I became chair of the GCC Committee. I hit the ground running thanks to the dedication of past chair, Jeanne Shatten, and the committee (Deby Auerbach-Brown, Ethan Cohen, Marilyn Klein, Theresa Markowitz, Rabbi Melinda

Mersack, Michael Rabovsky and Rachel Schwarz). In the past year we added six members (Diane Dronzek, Norma Geller, Jeff Lazarus, Lois & Larry Novikoff, and Tami Wolf). Shortly after I started, the Crisis Diversion Center opened (a 5+ year GCC effort). A few weeks later BJC, along with other GCC congregations, held Criminal Justice House Meetings. The feedback led to the bail reform and juvenile bindover teams (BJC is strongly represented). These teams will soon decide what actions to take in the community. Our committee has participated in other GCC initiatives such as Battle for Democracy and Gun Safety.

Late last year, our committee decided to expand our efforts beyond GCC. So, we changed our name from GCC to Social Justice/GCC and created a new mission statement. Now, we are deciding what else we want to do. We have connected with other synagogues to see what they are doing. We held House Meetings in March to identify new social justice areas and we are doing a follow-up survey to narrow down the areas where we will engage. We will let you know soon what we decide and then we welcome anyone to join us. You can find us in Tidings each month, on the BJC website under Advocacy, on Facebook, in What's Happening and in Shul News. It's been a great year. We look forward to the next.

> Lee Markowitz Chair, Social Justice/GCC Committee







Committee Connection

The Inclusion Committee was formed several years ago in B'nai Jeshurun's effort to be available and accommodating to all our members, including those with special needs. We have been very active and have achieved many of our inclusion goals. Our accomplishments have included ADA-compliant electronic entry doors, manually adjustable Torah reading table, newly renovated ADA-compliant gender neutral family bathroom, hearing loop, noise canceling headphones, large print prayer books and page magnifiers. For the past two years, we have held an Inclusion Shabbat for those with special needs. This occurs once every two months and is in partnership with the Youth Ability program of JFSA. While we are proud of what we have achieved, we will continue to make other changes that will allow all B'nai Jeshurun's members to enjoy our services and special events. For more information and/or if you would like to join the committee, please contact Committee Erenberg (gerenberg@gmail.com Chair, Gerry 216-691-0155).

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We are back in person only! Rabbi Foster and Heidi Solomon* will lead this 30-minute service where we will use a special, colorful siddur with shortened prayers. Everyone is encouraged to participate, at their own level; there are parts in Hebrew and in English. This service

allows everyone to enjoy the warmth of Shabbat. Open to the entire community, the service is geared toward those who are mentally and physically otherabled (and their families). Contact Gerry Erenberg (gerenberg@gmail.com) for further information.

*Heidi Solomon is the coordinator of the Horvitz YouthAbility program of the JFSA of Cleveland.

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8 Mother's Day	9 10:00 am What's NU? 11:00 am Staying Fit with Linda 12:00 pm Parshat HaShavua	10:30 am Bible Study	11 10:00 am Kosher Fitness	12 10:30 am Mishnah: The New Scripture 7:00 pm Run, Hide, Fight Training	13 10:30 am Kinder Shabbat 6:00 pm Service	9:00 am Service; Joshua Wolinsky Bar Mitzvah 9:00 am Starbucks, Bread & Torah
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