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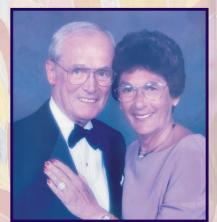
Our mission is to ensure the flourishing of Jewish life through educational, social and Conservative religious experiences in a warm and dynamic community.





### Torah Dedication Celebration

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#### **Open to the Community**

10:00 am - 1:00 pm B'nai Jeshurun Congregation

The Celebration will include:

- Completion of the Torah
- Festive Parade and dancing
- Dedication of the new Torah
- Brunch

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### Selichot: A Night of Renewal

Saturday, September 17 8:30 pm Havdalah; 8:40 pm Service; 9:45 pm Dessert

Join Rabbi Rudin-Luria and Cantor Rosenbaum for an interactive, inspirational, introspective and uplifting musical service. Selichot offers us an opportunity to mentally and spiritually prepare for the High Holidays. The Night of Renewal will feature traditional tunes led by Cantor and the BJC choir and contemporary melodies and readings to begin the new year.

Write your own note or prayer to be sent to the Kotel. Also on Zoom and stream.

See page 8 for the High Holiday services schedule.

### From the Rabbi



#### **To Begin Again Together**

I am writing this column just days after dropping our older son at college for his first year. He sets off on a new path as do we as parents. The truth is that we each have undergone significant transitions and change in the last several years, and our congregation

has as well. Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur offer us an opportunity to reflect on what is most important in our lives, where we came from and where we are going. The rabbis advise us to set aside time to reflect on the past year in order to recalibrate so we can literally begin again, reorienting our lives to move forward into the new year with purpose.

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks<sup>z\*l</sup> wrote that there is no precise translation of "Teshuvah" in English. It can mean both a physical act of return or a homecoming and also the spiritual act of a change of heart. As we engage in Teshuvah (repentance, self-reflection and self-improvement), we return to our true selves and strive to be better in order to begin again.

The holidays are a call to come home and we welcome the opportunity to gather together (in person and virtually) throughout the holiday season in a full range of services, programs and learning experiences for all ages. A few highlights from our schedule include our month long Elul classes, A Night of Renewal Selichot program, a special mindful Tashlikh presented by our new Wellness Initiative and a congregational conversation on Yom Kippur with exonerees from the Ohio Innocence Project.

May 5783 bring us all healing and renewal as we begin again together. Wishing you and your family a happy and healthy new year. *L'shana Tova!* 

Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria



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#### **Candle Lighting**

September	2	/:40 pm
September	9	7:28 pm
September	16	7:16 pm
September	23	7:04 pm
September	25	7:00 pm
September	26	after 7:59 pm
September	30	6:52 pm
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#### **Torah Portions**

September	3	Shoftim
	10	
•	17	
•	24	

#### **Daily Service Schedule**

Live stream our services at <a href="https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/streaming">www.bnaijeshurun.org/streaming</a> 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 - Thursdays: 7:15 am, 6:00 pm Fridays: 7:15 am, 6:00 pm (7:00 pm on September 2) Saturdays: 9:00 am, 6:00 pm Sundays & Labor Day: 8:00 am, 6:00 pm

See page 8 for the High Holiday
Services schedule





### President's Message



As the High Holidays approach, it always brings back so many memories for me of High Holidays past. I think back several decades to the Kol Nidre service where I tried to keep my three little boys relatively quiet and stationary after struggling to get them dressed in what they referred to as

"their gentleman clothes." Thirty years on I am happy to say that our shul has become a more welcoming environment for families with young children. We are very aware that our children and young families are our future. In addition to welcoming children in our services, there will be an array of programs and services designed especially for children and families.

On a very different note, our Neilah service has always been very meaningful for me. As I look out the windows of our sanctuary, watching the sunlight dim, we join together in our final prayers of repentance. I love our custom of inviting congregants to offer personal prayers before the open ark. When I stand before the ark, offering reflections and prayers. I feel a sense of transcendence and spiritually connected to Hashem, but also very much a part of our sacred community standing behind me. It is a very special moment. I am always amazed that, no matter the number of people in the very long line, the very last in line finish their prayers at the ark just as that service is ending.

During the past two High Holiday seasons, due to the pandemic, we have missed beloved experiences that were part of High Holidays past. This year, for those comfortable being in person, we return to David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary and Gross Schechter Day School, our familiar settings for High Holiday services. (Both services will be streamed for those who want to remain virtual.) But this is also a time of new beginnings for our clergy team with Rabbi Rudin-Luria as our Senior Rabbi leading services in the sanctuary and Cantor Rosenbaum leading services at GSDS. I look forward to an exciting year of many new beginnings. At this transition time for our synagogue, we will now each be making new memories - may they be sweet! On behalf of my husband David and myself, I wish you a very healthy and happy new year, and very meaningful High Holiday celebrations.

Dr. Rebekah Dorman

### Cantor's Corner



Even after five years of cantorial school and a lifetime of being a Jew, I still sometimes find myself surprised by the pages of our prayerbooks. At seminary, they teach about the push and pull between keva and kavanah. What are the fixed elements of our

services and what are the intentions behind them? To put it in other terms: structure and substance. Body and soul. Both are critical in order to function properly, and they need balance.

Part of this surprise is because throughout my life, I grow and change - sometimes as a result of this, things will speak to me in a way they hadn't before. Another phenomenon that happens in everyday life is when you learn something new. Suddenly, you may start to see it cropping up all over/in unexpected places. Maybe it was always there, but it took learning about it or having a particular experience for it to become unlocked.

Another reason is that our prayerbooks are actually prepared for us to get creative with them whenever we choose - whether it's the translations, the historical and analytical notes next to the prayers, or the additional prayers/poetry on the opposite pages. There is such abundant beauty living on the margins of these pages we are accustomed to using every Shabbat, holiday, and day. How many times have we flipped right past them without giving the words a chance to speak to our hearts?

When the Holy Temple was destroyed, our ancestors needed to find a new way to draw closer to G-d, and they accomplished this through prayer. Over time, they developed the words we use today, but there are the words on the page, and equally, the words in our hearts. We need both in order to find the closeness we seek. As we head into our Yamim Noraim, our Days of Awe, I encourage you to look to the margins to find the kernels of wisdom and beauty you may have overlooked in the past, and look inward to see what might speak to you in a way you hadn't considered before.

Cantor Alyssa Rosenbaum

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## Education & Youth

The Torah is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who among us can go up to heaven to get it for us, that we may observe it?"...No, it is very close to you, in your mouth and in vour heart... (Deut. 30:12-14)

These words, read on the Shabbat immediately before Rosh Hashanah, remind us that the Torah is not meant to be on a pedestal; it must be interpreted anew every generation, so that it can speak to us and guide us, providing meaning in our lives.

In a story from the Talmud (BT Bava Metzia 59b), scholars are busy in debate. While most agree on a particular point of law, Rabbi Eliezer remains convinced they are wrong. He debates every point but to no avail. Finally, he exclaims, "If I am right, let this carob tree prove it!" Amazingly, the carob tree uproots itself and moves 100 feet. The scholars respond, "Nothing can be proven from a carob tree."

"Let this channel of water prove that I am right," and immediately, the channel of water begins flowing backwards. "Nothing can be proven from a channel of water," they respond.

Finally, in despair, Rabbi Eliezer declares, "If I am right, let heaven prove it," and sure enough, a divine voice calls out from heaven, "Why are you arguing with Rabbi Eliezer, he is correct!"

Rabbi Yehoshua, the leader of the scholars, stands up and protests, "The Torah is not in heaven! We don't pay attention to the divine voice because You wrote in Your Torah, 'we must follow the majority'."

As the Talmud tells us, a rabbi who later met Elijah the prophet asked him, "What did God do at that moment?" Elijah answered, "God laughed with joy, saying, 'My children have defeated Me!'"

While it may seem arrogant for Rabbi Yehoshua and the scholars to ignore so many miracles, this story makes clear that indeed, 'The Torah is not in heaven'. With the Torah comes the ability to choose how we live our lives with it. We should not be expecting a heavenly voice to guide us on our path; rather, to live a life filled with Torah we must interpret for ourselves and within our community. As we approach Rosh Hashanah, I wish all of us the strength to find new meaning in the sacred texts of our tradition.

Shanah Toya!

Rabbi Josh Foster

#### B'nai Mitzvah



#### ASHER MARC SOLOMON **Shabbat morning, September 3** Asher attends Gross Schechter Day School and lives in Chesterland. He

enjoys dirt bike riding and soccer. He is the son of Rayna & Steve Solomon, brother of Jacob Solomon and grandson

of Elliott Isenberg, Nedra & Nick Valdez and Wendy & Larry Pollak.



#### **NATHAN JAMES STULBERG**

Shabbat morning, September 10 Nathan attends University School and lives in Pepper Pike. He enjoys soccer, piano and basketball. For his Mitzvah Project, he is working with America SCORES Cleveland to raise money

and organize an equipment drive. He is the son of Jill & Benjamin Stulberg, brother of Theodore and Jacob Stulberg and grandson of Carolyn & Bernard Stulberg, Laurie Minger, John Minger and Kathleen Whitman.

#### **New Year Birthday Bash!** with PJ Library

Sunday September 18 • 3:30 pm

Mishpachot and PJ Library are celebrating the New Year, Rosh Hashanah, together! Join us at Patterson's Farm Market playground to enjoy playtime, a craft, snacks and birthday fun. Meet new families and visit the market for delicious fall treats. See our website for more details and to register, or contact Julie Sukert. Patterson's is located at 11414 Caves Rd., Chesterland.

### **USY/Teen Day Trip to Cedar Point**

Sunday, September 18

Open to teens in grades 6-12. See old USY friends and make new ones while having fun at Cedar Point! Registration opening soon – information will be sent via email.





#### Makom

We encourage all 7th-12th graders and families to join us at the Guardians game on Monday, September 12 at 6 pm to hear Cantor Rosenbaum sing the National Anthem and watch our team beat the LA

Angels. We will provide ice cream. Our first session at BJC will be September 19 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm.

# From Our Affiliates

#### **Chesed @Kosher Food Pantry**

Sunday, September 11 • 9:30 am



We are happy to be partnering again with the KFP, which is located at 2004 S. Green Rd., S. Euclid. We will sort and pack food that will be delivered to families in the community. Everyone volunteering should be over the age of 7 and ready to work. Contact Shani Kadis to volunteer. Next date: November 13.

### Fall Cemetery Cleanup Sunday, September 18 • 9:30 am - noon



Chesed will join Federation for this meaningful volunteer opportunity for all ages. There's no greater mitzvah than caring for those who came before us. Honor our ancestors by raking, pruning and beautifying Chesed Shel Emeth Cemetery.

All cleanup supplies will be provided. Register at https://cutt.ly/fall-cemetery-cleanup2022. The cemetery is located at 3740 Ridge Road, Cleveland.

#### **Chesed Kosher Food Drive**



During September, we ask each family to bring in one grocery bag of non-perishable food. Everything collected will be donated to JFSA. Please make sure everything is kosher and not expired. Collection bins are located in Gross Atrium. Everything

will be delivered on October 19.

#### **Men's Club Happy Hour**

Thursday, September 8 • 5 pm



We have a special Zoom "Behind presentation, the Scenes at the Cleveland Jewish Publication Company (CJN)", a discussion with Kevin S. Adelstein, President, Publisher & CEO, and

Bob Jacob, Managing Editor. If you have ever wondered or would like to know what is involved in presenting award-winning publications each week, tune in at https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88983171301.

#### "BEE J" Honey Sale



This raw, unfiltered honey is produced from the apiary (inspected by the Ohio Department of Agriculture) at the home of our congregant, Bobbi Pincus. Her bees are not subjected to toxic chemicals; they forage on herbs, native flowers and tree blossoms. Approved kosher for home use by Rabbi Rudin-Luria.

The honey sale benefits BJC Sisterhood and is ready in time for the Fall Holidays, for your table or a gift. \$10/per 8 oz bear-shaped jar. The deadline for orders is September 15. Paid orders filled in the order they are received, with pick up at the synagogue. Mail checks, payable to BJC Sisterhood, and include your phone number and email to Harriet Rosenberg Mann, 23575 Shelburne Rd., Shaker Heights, OH Questions? Contact Harriet (216-978-0451 harrietrmann@gmail.com).

#### Sisterhood Lunch & Learn

#### **High Holiday Security**

Tuesday, September 20 • noon



Jim Hartnett, director of communitywide security at the Jewish Federation of Cleveland, will be our guest speaker. \$10 per person; RSVP by September 15 to Robin Rood (rroodrd@gmail.com or 440-666-7658).



#### **Sisterhood Book Discussion**

Wednesday, September 21 • 4 pm

We will discuss The Beauty Queen of Jerusalem: a novel by Sarit Yishai-Levi.

invited to join us at BJC or on Zoom at are https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81885748539. Contact Sylvia Abrams (sylvia.abrams@gmail.com) or Linda Schoenberg (drcats2224@gmail.com) with questions. October's book is Send for Me by Lauren Fox.

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# Upcoming Events

#### **Welcome Back BBQ**

Friday, September 2 • 5 pm



Join us before our final Shabbat Rocks! of the season to see your BJC family and friends. Enjoy a BBQ meal with cotton candy and popsicles for dessert. Jump and slide on the bungee trampoline and inflatables. Say "Hi" to our staff and welcome

Cantor Alyssa Rosenbaum. Meet the leaders of our affiliate groups, learn about our upcoming school year and hear about our youth programs. Register at https://cutt.ly/BJC-BBQ2022. Sponsored by Sisterhood & Men's Club. FREE, but we ask everyone to bring a school supply that will be donated to the E Prep & Village Preps Cliff Campus.

#### **Shabbat Rocks!**

Friday, September 2 • 7 pm

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



Join us for our last one of the season. A live band will play some of today's most update 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.



### **Guardians Game - Cantor Rosenbaum** Sings the National Anthem! Monday, September 12 • 6 pm (first pitch 6:10 pm)

Group tickets are sold out, but we encourage you to still come to the game to hear Cantor Rosenbaum sing the National Anthem and watch our Guardians beat the LA Angels.

#### The War in Ukraine and the Fate of its Jewish Community

Wednesday, September 14 • 7:30 pm • Zoom



Ukraine was for centuries a major center of Jewish life, but also a center of pogroms and anti-Semitism. With the fall of the Soviet Union in 1991, a new chapter in Ukrainian Jewish history began, culminating in the election of Ukraine's Jewish president, Volodymyr Zelensky. On the eve of the Russian invasion, there were an estimated 100,000 Jews in the country, with a diverse and active communal life. How has the Ukrainian Jewish community fared during the war and what are its prospects for the future? We are delighted to welcome JTS Prof. David Fishman to speak about this important topic.

Free and open to the community. Donations encouraged to Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS), Doctors Without Borders or World Central Kitchen. Register at <a href="https://cutt.ly/JewishUkraine">https://cutt.ly/JewishUkraine</a>.

Co-sponsored by B'nai Jeshurun Congregation, Park Synagogue, Congregation B'nai Israel of Toledo and Tifereth Israel of Columbus.

### Run, Hide, Fight Training Tuesday, September 13 • 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 <a href="https://cutt.ly/RunHideFight">https://cutt.ly/RunHideFight</a>. Please contact Jay Ross with questions.

# Tree of Life In Memorian

We note with sorrow the passing of

#### **LORENE BELLE**

Mother of Austin Belle

#### **JOSEPH GRAY**

Significant Other of Deborah Fish

#### **FRIEDA LEVIT**

Sister of Selma Friedman Aunt of Lynne Friedman and Sheila Allenick

#### **BERNARD NECKRICH**

Father of Helene Bernstein Grandfather of Brooke Lampl

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

#### **Happy Milestone Anniversary to:**

Judith & Robert Goodstein	55 Years
Robbie & Jay Schonfeld	55 Years
Susan & Jeffrey Friedman	50 Years
Arlene & Laurence Turbow	50 Years
Susan & Victor Amster	45 Years
Glenda & Arthur Harris	40 Years
Bonnie & Howard Potash	40 Years
Cindy & Craig Cohen	35 Years
Sherry & Ira Feuer	35 Years
Beth & Mark Milstein	30 Years
Diane & Michael Tucker	30 Years
Jessica & Jeremy Banchek	10 Years
Sarah & Scott Zimmerman	10 Years
Michelle & Scott Gearity	5 Years

If you have an achievement or mazel tov to share, please contact Diane Dronzek. We are happy to share your good news! Milestone listings recognize birthdays at five-year intervals beginning with age 25, and every year after 90. Anniversaries are recognized at five-year intervals.

### Mazel Tov to

- · Rachel & Yaacov Taxer on the birth of a granddaughter, Abigail (Abby) Taxer.
- Sandy & Eric Lawrence on the birth of a granddaughter, Scarlett Nava Lawrence.
- Norma Geller on the birth of a greatgrandson, Leonard Morris Falber.
- Michele Cydulka-Weinstein & Ed **Weinstein** on the engagement of their daughter, Anna, to Jacob Eisenberg.
- Suellen & Larry Kadis on the engagement of their son, Justin, to Jacklyn Roberson.
- **Linda Foster** on the engagement of her daughter, Marni, to Adam Betel.
- Sue & Marc Schlessinger on the engagement of their son, Kyle, to Emily Schultz.









Falber

Eisenberg & Weinstein









Schultz & Schlessinger

### Yasher Xoach

• **Rebekah Dorman** was selected by the Ohio Department of Education to be a mentor for the new Ohio Early Childhood Inclusive Leadership Fellowship Program.



Dorman

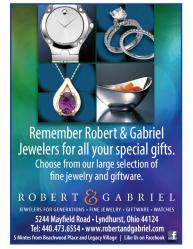
#### **Happy Milestone Birthday to:**

Marilyn Arons Sandra Berkowitz Avraham Goldman **Arthur Harris** 

Charles Huston David Kahan Ivor Kiwi Sylvia Knell

Gloria Kurland Jean Lettofsky Karen Levy **David Orlove** 

Alan Peters Martin Rabinowitz Alan Rutsky William Sattin









#### **Schedule of Services**

In person and on stream

EREV ROSH HASHANAH – Sunday, September 25					
Service 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm					
<b>1ST DAY ROSH HASHANAH – Monday, September 26</b> Services (David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary					
& Gross Schechter Day School)9:00 am					
Torah Service9:45 am					
Musaf10:55 am					
Sermon					
Holiday Story Time with Rafi (Jacobson Library)					
Young Children's Holiday Experience (Linden Courtyard) 10:00 am					
Family Service (Linden Courtyard)11:00 am Teen Program (Halpern Hall)11:00 am					
Mincha6:00 pm					
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2ND DAY ROSH HASHANAH – Tuesday, September 27					
Services (David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary9:00 am					
Torah Service					
Sermon					
Starbucks, Bread & Torah with Rabbi Rafi Cohen9:00 am					
Alternative Service with Rabbi Rafi Cohen (Halpern Hall) 10:30 am					
Family Service (Linden Courtyard)10:30 am					
Teen Jewish Jeopardy (Youth Lounge)10:30 am					
Mincha6:00 pm					
KOL NIDRE – Tuesday, October 4					
Kol Nidre (David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary)6:15 pm					
Kol Nidre (Gross Schechter Day School)6:30 pm					
Candle Lighting & Fast begins 6:45 pm					
YOM KIPPUR – Wednesday, October 5					
Services (David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary					
& Gross Schechter Day School)9:00 am Torah Service9:45 am					
Sermon & Yizkorapprox. 12:00 pm					
Young Children's Holiday Experience (Linden Courtyard) 10:00 am					
Family Service (Linden Courtyard)11:00 am					
Teen Program (Halpern Hall)11:00 am					
Community Conversation with OIP (Halpern Hall) approx.12:20 pm					
Mincha4:30 pm					
Q&A with the Clergy6:00 pm					
Holiday Story Time with Rafi (Jacobson Library)6:15 pm					
Neilah-Ma'ariv6:30 pm					
Shofar (Yom Kippur ends)7:45 pm					

#### Cemetery Memorial Services Sunday, October 2

One of the customs of the High Holiday season is to visit the graves of our loved ones. Join our clergy for our annual memorial services.

9:30 am Chesterland Memorial Park 11:00 am Glenville Cemetery

### Personal Prayer before the Ark



Sign up for a time slot between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur to stand before the holy ark in the David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary alone or with others in your home for personal prayer at https://cutt.ly/PersonalPrayer5783.

Bring a note with you or write on one of our notes, which will be sent to the Kotel.

### The Bridge's Tashlikh on the Lake

Wednesday, September 28 • 6:30 pm

The Bridge, Downtown Cleveland's Jewish young professional organization sponsored by B'nai Jeshurun, will be hosting a Tashlikh service led by our clergy at Edgewater Park. This event is only open to young professionals in their 20s and 30s. Contact thebridgecle@gmail.com with any questions.

### Tashlikh at the Falls & Picnic Sunday, October 2 • noon



Experience Tashlikh at Chagrin Falls where we will seek to cast our sins away and earn God's forgiveness as we approach the Jewish New Year. Meet at the park's shelter across the

street from the Popcorn Shop for a picnic (bring their own dairy picnic). At approximately 12:30 pm, we will begin the service and hear the shofar.

We will provide prayer books. BYOB (bring your own crumbs). In case of rain, this event will not be rescheduled. Register at <a href="https://cutt.ly/Tashlikh2022">https://cutt.ly/Tashlikh2022</a>.

#### BJC Wellness Initiative presents

#### Beginning Again: A Mindful Tashlikh

Sunday, October 2 • 5 pm • location TBD

Join us for a special Tashlikh program to begin the new year a new way. Through music, self-reflection, writing, mindfulness practice and prayer, we will focus on body, mind and soul in order to begin again in a holistic path to renewal.



#### B'nai Jeshurun Congregation's Clergy for High Holidays 5783

Along with Rabbi Rudin-Luria, Cantor Rosenbaum and Rabbi Foster, we will be joined by our much-loved Cantor Shifman and Rabbi Rafi Cohen. Rabbi Cohen's bio may be found on our website. Visit our webpage at https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/high-holidays.html.



Rudin-Luria









Shifman

Cohen

#### **Teen Programming**

1st day Rosh Hashanah • 11 am • Halpern Hall We will have a discussion about the situation in Ukraine. More information coming soon.

#### 2nd day Rosh Hashanah • 10:30 am **Youth Lounge**

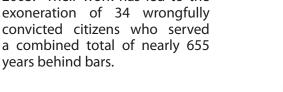
Do you have what it takes to win Jewish Jeopardy? Are you the next Ken Jennings? Celebrate the new year with some friendly competition – come compete with other BJC teens!

#### Yom Kippur • 11 am • Halpern Hall

Hear from Derrick Wheatt and Laurese Glover, two men who were wrongfully convicted of murder, but thankfully exonerated with the help of the Ohio Innocence Project (OIP). OIP has been a part of the



University of Cincinnati since 2003. Their work has led to the exoneration of 34 wrongfully convicted citizens who served a combined total of nearly 655





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#### **Memorial Plaques & Golden Book of Remembrance**

A beautiful way to honor the memory of a loved one is with a memorial plague or listing. Plagues are displayed on the Memorial Wall at the rear of the David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary. During the week of yahrzeit, your loved one's name is also highlighted in the center section of the Wall. The Wall is an adjustable, alphabetic memorial. The Golden Book of Remembrance is on permanent display in the case outside Nickman Chapel.

Orders are accepted at any time, but dedications are made only at Yizkor Pesach and Yom Kippur. The deadline for dedications in time for Yom Kippur this year is Tuesday, **September 6.** The price of a memorial plaque is \$600 and a Golden Book listing is \$200. Please contact Diane Dronzek to place an order or to learn more.

#### **Lulav & Etrog Sets**



Blessing the lulav and etrog is the Jewish way of thanking God for the blessings of the earth during Sukkot. To purchase your own lulav and etrog set, please contact Diane Dronzek by Friday, September 16. Late orders may not be able to be filled. Deluxe sets are \$45 each and student (smaller) sets are \$40 each.



#### **Borrowing Mahzorim**

If you would like to borrow a mahzor for the hagim this year, please contact the synagogue office.

# Giving Opportunities Mahar

The days leading to Rosh Hashanah mark the time of year when we launch our Mahar campaign to support the operating costs of the synagogue. This campaign continues to be critical to the health and vitality of our synagogue. Your Mahar support will defray the increased costs of maintaining our building, the continued updates to our technology and the virtual and in-person programming that bring us spiritual support and community.

We urge you to make a Mahar pledge for 2022-2023. Whether you give \$18, \$36, \$50, \$100, \$1,000... any size donation goes a long way toward making B'nai Jeshurun the vibrant community that we have come to love. Thank you so much for your ongoing support. Please contact Lorna Siegal (lornasiegal@ bnaijeshurun.org or 216-831-6555 ext. 132) to learn more about this special giving opportunity.



#### **Beth Am Simcha Wall**

Thanks to the generosity of donor Harvey Madvid, we are pleased to report that the Beth Am Simcha Wall has been restored and is now proudly hanging in the Simon Gathering Area, fondly known as "The Pit". Please stop by to see it!

#### **Endowment Fund Donor Wall Dedication**

Sunday, September 18 • 4 pm



We will be honoring the donors who are listed on the new Endowment Fund Donor Wall. If you are an endowment fund donor at the \$10,000 or greater level and did not receive an email invitation, please contact Development Director, Lorna Siegal. RSVP by Wednesday, September 7 to Lorna Siegal. Remarks will begin at 4:20 pm; light appetizers will be served.

B'nai Jeshurun endowment funds generate long-term, ongoing annual revenues that help support numerous programs, scholarships and operating expenses. If you would like to receive information on our endowment fund program, please contact Lorna Siegal (216-831-6555 ext. 132 or lornasiegal@bnaijeshurun.org).

#### **Ner Tamid Society**



There has been a significant increase in Ner Tamid involvement this year. We have eight NEW Ner Tamid donors and eight existing Ner Tamid supporters who have increased their donor participation levels. Contact Lorna Siegal to learn more.

## Social Justice/G(



Our committee is expanding our efforts beyond GCC. We held House Meetings in March and people mentioned 14 potential social justice areas. Then, we did a follow-up survey in July to select the areas we will pursue and to identify participants and leaders for those areas. We received 22 responses to our survey. Thank you to those who responded.

Here are the preliminary results. The areas with the most interest (top tier) are Abortion, Food Insecurity, Climate Change and Health Care. The second-tier areas are Gun Safety, Immigration, Voting Rights,

Wrongful Conviction and Education. The third-tier areas are Housing and anti-Semitism.

Over the next month or two, we will decide which of these areas we will pursue, form teams for those, and identify team leaders. BJC will sponsor some teams (those determined to be the best fit by clergy and leadership), while other teams will work on their own. For some areas, we may have another BJC committee take the lead, we may partner with another BJC committee, or we may partner with another congregation. We will continue to support the GCC-led criminal justice initiatives: Bail Reform (now called Pretrial Justice), Juvenile Bindover and the Crisis Diversion Center.

In upcoming *Tidings*, we will let you know which areas we decide to pursue. Any BJC member will be able to join any of the teams.

> Lee Markowitz, Chair, Social Justice/GCC Committee Lee.markowitz1@gmail.com

# Adult Virtual Learning



#### **Free Jewish Virtual Learning for Adults** is just a click or a phone call away!

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 at https://www.bnaijeshurun.org/adult ed. We look forward to seeing you in class! These classes are brought to you through the generosity of the Fersky Fund for Adult Learning and Nelson Pole & Betsy Greene.

#### What's NU? with Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria Mondays • 10 am (no class September 5 & 26)

Topical text study and discussion on the most relevant Jewish topics of the day. This month, we will focus on High Holiday learning.

https://zoom.us/j/91220079234.

#### Staying Fit with Linda Schoenberg Mondays • 11 am (no class September 5 & 26)

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.

#### **Bible Study with Susan Wyner**

Tuesdays • 10:30 am (no class September 13 & 27)

Join inforaclose reading of the Bible as we make our way through our most central text. We are currently studying The Book of Judges, Chapters 6-8. https://zoom.us/j/94519361768.

#### 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://us06web.zoom.us/j/87108945546.

#### **Starbucks, Bread & Torah** Saturdays • 9 am

Gain fresh insights into the Torah, and study with great teachers! https://zoom.us/j/94718261737.

> Rabbi Markiz's Thursday noon classes will be on hiatus until October 20.

#### **Elul & Tishri Learning**

Thursdays beginning September 8

Join us on Zoom for weekly learning with rotating teachers. https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87275352446

Thursday, September 8 at noon with Rabbi Michael Ungar – Creating a Holy Space - Wherever You Are

Thursday, September 8 at 8 pm with Rabbi Rafi Cohen – No More than My Place, No Less than My Space

Thursday, September 15 at noon with Cantor Alyssa Rosenbaum – Musical Traditions of the Yamim Noraim: **An Exploration** 

Thursday, September 15 at 8 pm with **Doron Kalir** – *New Year, New 'Cheshbon Nefesh'* 

Thursday, September 22 at noon with **Rabbi Josh Foster – The Call of the Shofar** 

Thursday, September 22 at 8 pm – no class

Thursday, September 29 at noon with Rabbi Josh Foster – Yom Kippur: Solemn or Joyous?

Thursday, September 29 at 8 pm Rabbi Bickart - Defining Self-Affliction: The Talmud's Approach to the **Experience of Yom Kippur** 

Please also join Rabbi Rudin-Luria for High Holiday learning during his regular Monday at 10 am What's NU? class (see above).

Mark your calendar and stay tuned for details next month on Sukkot learning - Thursday, October 6 at both noon and 8 pm.



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