



## Annual Report and 153rd Annual Meeting

Sunday, May 5, 2019 • 7 pm  
30 Nisan 5779

David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary

וְיָלַל צְדָקָה כְּמַעַיִן מַיִם  
Let justice well up as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream.  
Isaiah 58:12



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**153rd Annual Meeting of B'nai Jeshurun Congregation  
David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary  
Sunday, May 5, 2019**

Welcome	Rebekah Dorman, Vice President Annual Meeting Chair
Call To Order	Gena Cohen, President
Anthems	Cantor Aaron Shifman
Invocation Remembrance of <b>Morton J. Gross</b> <sup>z"l</sup>	Rabbi Stephen Weiss
Recognition of Retiring Trustees	Gena Cohen
Recognition of Retiring Officer	Gena Cohen
Joseph M. Lomberg Award for Outstanding Individual Service <b>Nancy Tresser Lipko</b>	Andrea Canowitz, Awards Chair
Rabbi Rudolph M. Rosenthal Outstanding Family Award <b>Terry and Moris Amon</b>	Andrea Canowitz
Election Report	Shelley Scher, Chair Nominating Committee
Installation of Officers and New Trustees	Avery Cohen
Installation of President	Avery Cohen
President's Message	Gena Cohen
Benediction	Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria
Adjournment	Gena Cohen

*Please join us for a dessert reception immediately following the Annual Meeting  
sponsored by Gena & Ethan Cohen.*

## The Ner Tamid Society

The Ner Tamid Society is B'nai Jeshurun's dedicated group of congregants who make a difference in ensuring the present and future of our congregation through an enhanced annual financial commitment to the synagogue.

We gratefully acknowledge our 2018-2019 Ner Tamid members, who give annual sustaining support at the highest levels with generosity, graciousness and consistency:

### \$20,000 Level

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If you wish to join or learn more about The Ner Tamid Society,  
please contact Development Director Kim Cole.

**B'nai Jeshurun Congregation**  
**Financial Statements**  
**Fiscal Year July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018**

**Statement of Sources and Uses of Operating Funds**

<b>Sources of Operating Funds</b>	<b>Year Ended June 30, 2018</b>	
Dues and Security Fees from Members	\$ 1,217,785	51%
Endowment Funds (restricted and unrestricted)	249,925	10%
Mahar Annual Campaign	238,020	10%
Catering and Other Operating Revenues	229,939	9%
Tribute Dinner	135,551	6%
Religious School	134,247	6%
Programs and Other Events	90,264	4%
Donations and High Holy Day Revenues	68,664	3%
Other Fundraising Revenues	21,249	1%
<b>Total Sources of Operating Funds</b>	<b>\$ 2,385,644</b>	<b>100%</b>
 <b>Uses of Operating Funds</b>		
Clergy and Administrative Staff	\$ 1,099,230	46%
Building Operations (repairs, maintenance, utilities, and staff)	455,128	19%
Religious School (operations and staff)	311,789	13%
Catering and Other Operating Expenses	183,640	8%
Programs and Other Events	117,201	5%
Synagogue Office Operations	63,329	3%
Religious Services and Other Religious Functions	56,051	2%
Fundraising Expenses	44,312	2%
United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism Annual Dues	43,508	2%
<b>Total Uses of Operating Funds</b>	<b>\$ 2,374,188</b>	<b>100%</b>
 <b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	 <b>\$ 11,456</b>	 <b>=====</b>

**Investments and Fund Groupings at June 30**

<b>Investment Holdings</b>	<b>2018</b>		<b>2017</b>	
Jewish Federation of Cleveland	\$ 7,286,622	86%	\$ 6,873,991	87%
Israel Bonds and Other Investments	864,097	10%	725,150	9%
Cash and Cash Equivalents	332,399	4%	340,261	4%
<b>Total Liquid Assets</b>	<b>\$ 8,483,118</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 7,939,402</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>=====</b>				
 <b>Assets by Fund Grouping</b>				
Endowment Funds	\$ 7,030,126	83%	\$ 6,551,738	83%
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	809,496	10%	842,823	11%
Building Fund	311,097	3%	204,579	2%
Operating Fund	332,399	4%	340,262	4%
<b>Total Liquid Assets</b>	<b>\$ 8,483,118</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 7,939,402</b>	<b>100%</b>
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The Investments and Fund Grouping changes above are impacted annually by market conditions.

The term Investments as used above includes cash and cash equivalents, stocks, and bonds (all at market value); but does not include the value of land, buildings, furniture, fixtures, or equipment.



## 2018 - 2019 Congregational Highlights

*The milestones listed below are just a sampling of the hundreds of programs, events, and milestones for which we gathered since the last Annual Meeting. They are the tangible touchpoints of a year filled with community, learning, growth, celebration and ruach!*

May 6, 2018	152nd Annual Meeting; Gena Cohen elected President, Awards given to Debbie & Jerry Isaak-Shapiro Family (Rabbi Rudolph M. Rosenthal Outstanding Family Award), Rachel Schwarz (Joseph M. Lomberg Award for Outstanding Individual Service) and Sue Kane (Paul M. Koret Distinguished Teacher Award)
May 18, 2018	Families enjoyed an ice cream party and made tie dye kippot on our playground at our Groovy Shavuot Ice Cream Party
May 19, 2018	Tikkun Leil Shavuot
May 20, 2018	Five 10th grade students are confirmed
May 24, 2018	New young professionals series established- C.S.I.: Coffee. Study. Interpret.
May 2018	Rabbi Rudin-Luria is accepted into the Rabbis Without Borders program
June 3, 2018	Life's Soundtrack Cantor's Concert features Sheldon Low and Pharaoh's Daughter
June 8, 2018	Canine Shabbat
June 28, 2018	Tribute Dinner honoring Amanda & Kenny Kurland
July 2018	Sandra Lieber succeeds Betty Fishman as President of Hazak as Betty steps down after 16 years of leadership. Betty started B'nai Jeshurun's Hazak chapter in 2002.
July 23, 2018	7th Annual Golf Outing at Punderson Golf Course
August 2018	Synagogue begins new partnership with E. Prep & Village Prep
August 12, 2018	Members and prospective members gather at Graeter's for "Get the Scoop about B'nai Jeshurun"
August 17, 2018	Final Shabbat Rocks! of the season and Paver Dedications
August 19, 2018	Congregational Picnic features Inflatable Dance Dome and Bubble Soccer
September 2018	Hearing loops are installed in the David J. & Ruth A. Moskowitz Sanctuary and Benchell Balcony, Halpern Hall and Nickman Chapel
September 1, 2018	Selichot features Louis Newman discussing <i>Mission Impossible? The Promise of Teshuvah</i>
September 4, 2018	First day of Bet Limmud for the 2018-2019 school year
September 10, 2018	ATID's Coffee Talk event with Raymond Towler, exonerated for a crime he did not commit after nearly three decades in prison
September 19, 2018	Yom Kippur speaker Khalilah Worley discusses her activism leading up to, and including, her engagement with Greater Cleveland Congregations
September 23, 2018	Community Sukkah Raising followed by numerous events in the Sukkah throughout Sukkot
September 25, 2018	Seven congregants become an Adult B'nai Mitzvah
October 7-9, 2018	Men's Club/Sisterhood Bus Trip to Toronto
October 11, 2018	Weingold Fall Forum begins
October 13, 2018	Simhat Torah with honorees Cindy & Joel Herman and JoAnn & Steve Eisenberg

## 2018 - 2019 Congregational Highlights (*continued*)

October 13, 2018	First of our monthly “Dive into the Sea of Torah” Family Program Series
October 21, 2018	Men’s Club resumes its monthly Adventure Road: Traveling the World Series, highlighting world travels of members
October 21, 2018	Israel Bonds event honoring Ruth Dobres, Rachel & Richard Berkowitz and Wendy & Dan Dobres
October 22, 2018	Terrence Upchurch joins the maintenance staff
October 25, 2018	More than 100 BJC women participate in <i>Challah in the CLE</i> as part of The Shabbos Project
October 26, 2018	The second Shabbat Together, celebrating Shabbat in congregants’ homes
October 28, 2018	Twelve 1st grade students are consecrated
November 1, 2018	Freedom Song, presented by Beit T’shuvah Partners in Prevention, a performance about addiction and recovery
November 1 & 8, 2018	Hazak Academy presents <i>You Should Be a Blessing - How to Be a Role Model for the Next Generation</i> with our member, Susan Wyner
November 4, 2018	The Women of Kristallnacht program commemorates the 80 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of Kristallnacht
November 10, 2018	<i>Making Jewish History: 44 Years of Communal Service</i> as Stephen Hoffman retires as president of the Jewish Federation of Cleveland
November 11, 2018	Chesed begins new project at Geauga Humane Society’s Rescue Village
November 18, 2018	Sisterhood’s Health Fair
November 19, 2018	arts of thanksgiving returns
December 2, 2018	Sundays with Sammy Spider visits Snapology to build menorahs and spin dreidels out of LEGOS, one of a series of four
December 3, 2018	The Downtown Young Adult Group hosts Hanukkah Latke Shmooze
December 7-9, 2018	Weingold Guest Scholar Weekend features Professor Kenneth Stein discussing <i>Israel - Sovereignty, Identity and the Quest for Peace</i>
December 7, 2018	ATID’s Shabbat, Latkes & Games
December 9, 2018	A Magical Hanukkah Congregational Party with magic from David Anthony
December 10, 2018	Completion of successful Mahar Eight Days of Giving Campaign
December 15, 2018	Men’s Club 50s & 60s Dinner Dance featuring REPLAY The Band
December 16, 2018	Hazak presents <i>Scams: What You Need to Know</i> featuring our member, Jon Miller Steiger
December 31, 2018	James Grant Jr. retires after 27 years on the Maintenance staff
January 13, 2019	Sisterhood presents Knife Skills Kitchen Demo with Chef Rene Rawraway
January 26, 2019	More than 45 children and their families create teddy bears for themselves and to donate to Bellefaire JCB at Teddy Bear Havdallah
February 4, 2019	B’nai Jeshurun presents <i>In Broad Daylight: The Secret Procedure Behind the Holocaust by Bullets</i> , with author Father Patrick Desbois, as part of the Mandel JCC Jewish Book Festival
February 15, 2019	First-ever Mind-Full Shabbat brings together more than 90 congregants for Friday night services, dinner and a speaker
February 16, 2019	Men’s Club’s 20th Annual Sheila Radman Balk Cholent Cook Off

## 2018 - 2019 Congregational Highlights (*continued*)

February 22, 2019	ATID's Murder Mystery Shabbat
February 23, 2019	The OSU Meshuganotes join us for Shabbat
March 1-3, 2019	More than 90 attend Shabbat on the Circle: Congregational Shabbaton
March 7, 2019	Lunch & Learn goes high-tech when Rabbi Rudin-Luria begins sharing the conversation on Facebook Live
March 10, 2019	<i>Motown Megillah</i> : Meal & Purim Spiel
March 16, 2019	Coffeehouse & Casino Night (in support of ATID)
March 17, 2019	Purim Carnival with teens volunteering in numerous roles
March 20, 2019	Purim: Megillah Readings, Purimpalooza and "So Your Think You Know It All" Trivia Night
March 31, 2019	Sisterhood's Women's Seder
April 2019	Synagogue joins Amazon Smile to raise money for the congregation
April 2019	Announcement that B'nai Jeshurun will combine Tuesday religious school programming with Temple Emanu El as of the 2019-2020 school year
April 5-7, 2019	Forty-five 3 <sup>rd</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grade students attend our "Amazing Race" Youth Shabbaton at Camp Wise
April 7, 2019	Sisterhood's Torah Fund Luncheon
April 7, 2019	Cheeseburger Night featuring the Impossible Burger
April 12, 2019	First Shabbat Rocks! of the season
April 28, 2019	Mimosas, Mahj & Bagels brings together more than 70 women
May 2019	Our librarian, Dr. Raphael Simon, collaborates with Men's Club to improve collection, organization and physical aesthetics in the Jacobson Library
May 3-4, 2019	Marcus Leadership Guest Scholar Weekend featuring Rabbi Mike Uram discussing <i>Next Generation Judaism</i>

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### Upcoming Summer Events

June 2, 2019	Cantor's Concert
June 8-9, 2019	Tikkun Leil Shavuot
June 9, 2019	Confirmation
June 21, 2019	Shabbat Rocks!
July 14, 2019	Tribute Brunch honoring Mary & Murray Berkowitz
July 15, 2019	Golf Outing
July 21, 2019	Shabbat Rocks!
August 16, 2019	Shabbat Rocks!
August 18, 2019	Congregational Picnic
September 3, 2019	Bet Limmud resumes



# Mahar

Mahar, our annual campaign for operating support, provides crucial support to the synagogue. Thank you to each of the 339 donors to the 2018 Mahar Campaign. We are proud to announce that we surpassed our fundraising goal for the third consecutive year, raising more than \$243,943. Every gift made a difference.

Thank you for investing in all of the great programming and services that our congregation provides.

\* *Ner Tamid Society Member*

♦ *10%+ increase from prior year*

## Moses (\$10,000 & above)

Belai Damtew\*

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(\$5,000 - \$9,999)

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Lorin and Alan Gottlieb\*

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(May 1, 2018 – April 30, 2019)

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# Mazel Tov!

## 2018 Consecrants

Ezra Ellis  
Adam Fishman  
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Colton Hobrath

Gabriel Kadis  
Jacob Lazarus  
Parker Levin  
Sari Rosenblatt

Aaliyah Sardon  
Sylvia Stella  
Molly Weingart  
Cole Zelwin

## B'nai Mitzvah

*(May 1, 2018– May 1, 2019)*

Rena Berkowitz  
Gabe Sanders  
Lia Polster  
Maya Marderstein  
Ian Goldfeder  
Gabe Rubanenko  
Itamar Cohen

Andie Berlin  
Aidan Matasar  
Gabe Feinberg  
Edie Chaiten  
Joshua Fishman  
Shana Steinberg  
Libby Ettinger

Jules Bromberg  
Aden Schloss  
Noah Greenberg  
Abby Siff  
Tali Rabkin  
Leila Claypool  
Gabriella Krivis

## 2018 Confirmands

Ethan Abraham  
Spencer Kawalek

Jason Loeb  
Seth Rosky

Max Steiger

## 2018 Gross High School Graduates

Allison Cohen  
Elana Felber  
Zoe Felber

Jonah Ross  
Mose Simon

Lily Steiger  
Matthew Zimon

## 2018 Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class

Henny Lukas Fierman  
Awilda Garcia  
Carlos Garcia

Cathy Randall  
Gary Sardon

Nikona Thomas  
Paul Wehn

## Staff Employment Milestone

*(May 1, 2018– May 1, 2019)*

Julie Berman and James Grant, Jr. - 25 years  
Cantor Aaron Shifman and Rachel Taxer - 20 years  
Wendy Altmire and Marcy Stahm - 15 years  
Kim Cole - 5 years



## 2018-2019 Synagogue Committee Chairs

*B'nai Jeshurun Congregation is grateful to the many lay leaders who so generously give back to the congregation through their volunteer engagement.*

ATID - 20s & 30s group– Marsha Aronovich, Matt Banchek, Kelly & Viktor Kitsis, Rachel Rood, Shaina Rood, Na'ama & Aaron Wolkoff

Catering Committee - Murray Berkowitz, Tova Cohen and Faith Eisenberg

Cemetery Committee - Mel Ginsberg

Chesed Committee - Rachel Schwarz

College Outreach Committee - Cindy Herman

Development Committee - Steve Karklin and David Shifrin

Dues Review and Appeals Committee - Ed Weinstein

Endowment Committee - Barry Feldman and Ike Yedid

Education/School Committee - Stacie Ettinger and Robin Siff

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House Committee - Craig Cohen

Inclusion Committee - Cheryl Wikas

Investment Committee - William Proper

Leadership and Governance Committee - Rebekah Dorman and Carol Willen

Legal Committee - Charles Daroff, Mark Jacobs and Scott Matasar

Library Committee - Connie Altose and Michelle Cydulka-Weinstein

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Membership Committee - Theresa Markowitz and Cathy Randall

Nominating Committee - Shelley Scher

Security Committee - Bob Cohen

Synagogue and Services Committee - Michael Milgrom

Ushers (Subcommittee of Synagogue and Services) - David Cohen

Youth Commission - Susan Warshay



## B'nai Jeshurun Congregation

### Clergy

Stephen Weiss, Senior Rabbi  
Hal Rudin-Luria, Rabbi  
Aaron Shifman, Cantor  
Michael Hechtz<sup>z</sup>, Rabbi Emeritus  
Stanley J. Schachter, Rabbi Emeritus

### Administration

Jay Ross, Executive Director  
Julie Berman, Assistant to Cantor Shifman  
Paula Botkin, Accounting/Cemeteries/Event Coordinator  
Kim Cole, Development Director  
Shani Kadis, Membership/Program Director  
Diane Shalom, Assistant to Rabbi Weiss/Newsletters Editor  
R. Raphael Simon, Librarian/Mashgiach  
Marcella Stahm, Controller  
Rachel Taxer, Assistant to Rabbi Rudin-Luria and Jay Ross/Receptionist

### Youth and Learning Center

Josh Foster, Education Engagement Rabbi  
Wendy Altmire, School Administrative Assistant  
Shirley Haas, School Administrative Assistant  
Barbara Rosenfeld, Executive Educator  
Julie Sukert, Young Family Engagement Director

### Facilities

Austin C. Belle, Supervisor  
James Grant  
Claudella Stewart  
Terrence Upchurch

### Awards Committee

Andrea Canowitz, Chair

### Nominating Committee

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Cari Marderstein  
Rick Martin  
Aaron Wolkoff  
Ronna Zelwin

