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Tenth Anniversary Casino Night

Saturday, February 1, 2020

8:00 p.m.

Beth Sholom Congregation

Fun, Food, Dancing, Poker, Black Jack and Craps Table

- $40/person in advance, $50 at the door - includes $10,000 gambling money & 1 drink ticket
- 6 tickets $200, 10 tickets $300
- Meat and Vegetarian Hors D'oeuvres & Desserts
- Silent Auction
- Door Prizes
- 50/50 Raffle
- Photo Booth
- Cash Bar

Dressy casual attire

The auction is open for bids:
https://biddingforgood.com/bethsholomfrederick

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Rabbinic Reflections

RABBI JORDAN HERSH | RABBI@BETHSHOLOMFREDERICK.ORG

Over the past few years the number and severity of antisemitic incidents has been increasing at an alarming rate. We are all aware, of course, of the violent attacks that have plagued our nation, though less well-known are the near daily less-serious assaults and many more non-physically violent acts committed against Jews on a nauseating basis.

Embedded in the very nature of this nation, is the promise of the free expression of our identities and free exercise of our religions. An America that silences and forces its Jewish community, or any other religious or national group, into hiding is an America whose fate has failed and whose dream has died. When we live in fear those who seek to banish us from their midst win.

It is therefore doubly incumbent upon us to refuse to acquiesce to the terror of antisemitism. As Jews who are members of a free society, we must not allow the paradigms of our behavior to be set by those who hate us. We must live our Judaism proudly and vibrantly on our own terms. We cannot huddle in our synagogue when expressing our Jewish identities or shut our blinds when we light our Chanukah menorahs. Rather, like the light of Chanukah which is supposed to be kindled in a window facing the street, we must continue to live powerfully meaningful Jewish lives in public as well as in private. A public sphere void of Jewish presence is a world of darkness. Not merely because of light inherent in the sacredness of our tradition, but because it means that our society has caused it to be extinguished. As Jews and as Americans we must not allow the voices of hate to scare us into dark corners and remain hidden.

There are those who suggest that our Judaism is a private matter and ought not be displayed in the public sphere. I also feel that my Judaism is a private matter, but it is a part of my identity that I should be able to express in all places without fear. I do not wear a kippah for any public display. Rather I wear a kippah out of my own personal religious convictions and those will not be tempered by the flames of antisemitism.

So, too, in our communal life. Our wonderfully attended Rosh Hashanah service at the Baker Park Bandshell was not about flaunting our religion in front of others. However, our desire to create a spiritually moving experience in a conducive setting should also not be determined by the fact that there are those who wish we did not exist. While there were certainly legitimate objections that some raised about the service, to not hold it *because there are those who wish us harm* would be to give in to the anti-Semites. So, to with our sign supporting the State of Israel. There are many legitimate concerns some have raised, but to remove it *because there are those who wish us harm* would be an active contribution to the degradation of the promise which is America.

We will not be forced back into the shtetl mentality of old. Let our Judaism and our expressions of Jewish national and religious identity be determined by the beauty and power of the Jewish spirit alone. Live a Judaism not defined by antisemitism, not in active spite of antisemitism, but despite it.

Mussar

Mussar is a Jewish spiritual tradition that offers insight and guidance for living by directing us to pay attention to the impact that our inner traits have on our lives. The Mussar teachers take note of the Torah's teaching "You shall be holy" (Leviticus 19:1) and find in this injunction the primary guideline for living.

In February the Mussar group will be studying the following middot:

ORDER (SEDER)

Order creates inner alignment, peaceful and prepared. Take time, be exact, unclutter the mind.

Rabbi Simcha Zissel Ziv, the Alter of Kelm (1824-1898)

EQUANIMITY (MENUCHAT HA'NEFESH)

A person who has gained peace of mind has gained everything. To obtain peace of mind, you need to be at peace with the people in your environment. You need to at peace with yourself, with your emotions and desires. Furthermore, you need to be at peace with your Creator.

Rabbi Shlomo Wolfe (1914-2005)

TORAH STUDY

JOIN US EVERY SATURDAY AT 12:30 P.M.

(Does Not Meet When There is Lunch And Learn or B'nai Mitzvah)

LUNCH & LEARN

Sandy Sagalkin will present

The Environmental Imperative of Tu Bishvat

following Kiddush

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 AT 12:30 P.M.

From the Executive Director

MARCIA NEWFELD | MNEWFELD@BETHSHOLOMFREDERICK.ORG

It is amazing how time flies so quickly. We just rang in 2020 and now it is almost February. I hope that one of the New Year's resolutions you made was to get more involved in our community at Beth Sholom. Beth Sholom is a community of volunteers. Our committees are staffed by volunteers, by people just like you. Want to know how and where you can be involved to help our community? Just continue reading and then pick up the phone or send an email to the chair(s) of the committee(s) you wish to be involved in. We will be a better community because of your dedicated involvement.

Adult Education, chaired by Liz Koozmin ekoozmin@yahoo.com
This committee helps to determine what classes might be offered and who might teach them. They also bring us many interesting speakers, movies, and the ever-popular Dinner Club.

Budget & Finance, chaired by Gerry Goldgraben gerrygd@aol.com
They prepare and present a budget proposal every year to the Board for approval and then to the membership at our annual congregational meeting. They also oversee the synagogue's investments.

ECC Committee, chaired by Ricky Hirschhorn hirschhorn@hood.edu
This committee monitors Early Childhood Center. They work with the ECC director to ensure the quality and success of our program.

Fund Raising, chaired by Brian Saltzmann brian.saltzmann@gmail.com
They are in charge of overseeing all aspects of the Congregation's annual fundraising events and implementing new ideas for other avenues of revenue making for the Congregation.

House Committee, chaired by Gerry Royston gmroyston@hotmail.com
Are you good at fixing things, painting, or general upkeep of our building? Then this is the committee you should join. There is always something that needs to be done to keep our building looking in tip top shape, even if it is to give ideas of things that you feel need to be done.

Long Range Planning, chaired by Alissa Locke lockealissa@gmail.com
The congregation is currently undergoing a strategic plan of where the congregation might be in five years and how do we realize our goals. Every committee is participating, and congregant involvement is needed. You probably have some great ideas that you would like to see implemented.

Membership, chaired by Mona Canter mcanter0408@gmail.com
This committee focuses on integrating new and existing members into synagogue life by establishing personal contact with members.

Personnel, chaired by Lois Loew loewvineyards@commcast.net
This committee makes recommendations to the board on the hire of new professional staff and conducts yearly evaluations on all the professional staff. They may also make recommendations to the board on personnel policies and employment contracts.

Public Relations, chaired by Joe Herzog Herzog.joe@gmail.com
In partnership with staff and other committees, this committee is involved with planning, developing and implementing marketing strategies and communications which publicize the synagogue, schools and programs.

Religious Affairs, chaired by Judi Spungen jhspungen@gmail.com
In conjunction with the clergy, this committee helps with all religious services including the High Holidays.

Religious School, chaired by Jenny Lazarus jennylaz.jl@gmail.com
This groups monitors the operations of the Religious School and acts as a liaison with the parents in trying to build a religious school community.

Tzedek, chaired by Stan Binder bindersj@gmail.com
Just as the name suggests, this committee helps those who are less fortunate than we are. They serve meals at the Soup Kitchen, we house the Homeless Shelter several times a year, adopt seniors at Christmas time, and do collections for all sorts of worthy causes.

Youth, chaired by Marcy Taylor mta2003604@aol.com
This committee is responsible for assisting and counseling our Youth Group advisors in the planning and implementation of youth programming.

So, as you can see there are many ways for you to become involved, for you to become part of our community. I hope that you will take advantage for this opportunity to help our synagogue grow and prosper in the years to come.

MINYAN AT BSC

Please join us every Thursday at 8:00 AM for minyan

Message from the President

DAN PEARLMAN | DPEARLMAN@HOTMAIL.COM

So, let's talk about the sign and move on. Our sign showing support for Israel was put up about 6 or 7 years ago. I don't remember hearing any dissent regarding it until about the spring of 2018. At that point, Jim had the courage to raise his concerns about the text of the sign and how he interprets its meaning. He spoke at the Congregational meeting in June that year. He was then invited to speak to the Board. He made a presentation to the Board and it was determined that the Israel Committee should address the issue and make a recommendation to the Board.

The Israel Committee was formed about five or six years ago after our visioning campaign. One of the major points that congregants frequently brought up was that they wanted to show support for Israel and that we, as a congregation, should do more towards that goal. For various reasons, perhaps including the issue of the sign, there was unrest in the Israel committee, and it disbanded. Jim spoke to the Board again and we asked that he see if he could set up a committee specifically to deal with his and others' concerns regarding the message of the sign. After some time with no progress, the Board set up the committee. The committee met but, although it was my understanding that they would continue to meet to find ways to support Israel and come up with a recommendation to the Board regarding the sign, there was no consensus. At the 2019 Congregational meeting, Jim raised the issue again.

As a committee was not working on a way to generate a recommendation to the Board that would represent all sides, the Board decided that because of the contention we should come up with a mechanism to allow all congregants who wanted a say to have one. Thus, in November 2019, after the summer and the High Holidays, we had our very successful "listening" meeting where everyone who wanted could speak and present their views. There was no discussion or commenting other than by our note-takers to clarify an individual's points. Between attendees and those who emailed their comments, there were approximately 40 respondents. We then held a workshop at the beginning of January to have congregants rank and then discuss the main questions that arose from the listening session. The congregation discussed four highest prioritized questions and made some recommendations, but again, a consensus could not be reached.

As no concise unified recommendation was made to the Board, we asked people at the workshop to create a committee to make one or more recommendations to the Board by our February meeting. The Board will then discuss, and using all the information collected create a weighted survey. This survey will be sent to all congregants. Each adult member of the congregation will be able to select their top three choices, and these will be 'weighed' to determine the highest ranked solution that will, hopefully, appease most congregants. The Board will use this as a guide to make a decision.

Ultimately, the final determination is the Board's. We want to move this along and have a final decision by April. Many congregants do not perceive this as an issue at all and do not want so much time spent on it. However, the Board appreciates this, not just as a stand-alone issue that needs to be resolved, but also as a way to bring the congregation together. Not everyone will agree on the final decision, whatever it may be. But I hope everyone who is concerned will feel that they have had a say. The Board also has to represent those who don't speak up publicly and have an opinion. I can tell you the Board has purposely not discussed the issue of the sign this year so that we can be open and receptive to all information and make a fair decision.

So, that's it for the sign. What other issues are congregants concerned about? Come to the Board and tell us. Don't be silent. We need participation and people to invest in their congregation. Do you want to do more for the environment? If so, come and tell us. Many people came to the listening meeting and the workshop and I feel it brought them together. It allowed us to work with our fellow congregants and get to understand other points of view.

There is the joke about the man shipwrecked for years on an island and when he is rescued, they found three buildings. They ask him about them, and he tells them one is his current synagogue, one is his old synagogue and the third he wouldn't step foot into. We don't want that here at Beth Sholom. We just want the one building where all can be heard, can pray together, and where we can come to a peaceful consensus when there are concerns.

On that note, there are several positions opening up on the Board as people finish their terms. All adult congregants are welcome to submit their names. If you are interested, please contact someone on the Board or the office.

Happy Tu'B'shevat

We Want to Know….

Are you under the weather? Do you know someone who is? Please let us know. We want to reach out! If a member of our community is sick or in need of a call or visit, please call Marcia or Katelyn in the office at 301-663-3437 or email us at bethsholom@bethsholomfrederick.org. We need their names in order to say a Mi Sheberach (prayer for all those in need of healing) from the bima on Shabbat. If you know their and their mothers' Hebrew names, please give us this information also. Please help to keep us informed because we care about you.

Upcoming Programs

LIZ KOOZMIN | ADULT EDUCATION & PROGRAMMING

JEWS OF MEDIEVAL SPAIN

A three-part course taught by Rabbi Leila Gal-Berner

Thursday, February 6, at 7:30 p.m. JEWS OF MEDIEVAL MUSLIM SPAIN. This class will address the issues of the freedoms and restrictions on Jewish life, medieval Jewish education, poetry, culture and more. Was this time period a "Golden Age" for the Jews?

Thursday, February 13, at 7:30 p.m., JEWS OF MEDIEVAL CHRISTIAN SPAIN. This class will explore how Jews fared under a Christian king who had his own interests during the Spanish Reconquista (reconquering territories from the Muslims).What were Jewish-Christian relations like during this time? What led up to the Spanish Inquisition of the 15th century? This talk will be based on Rabbi Leila's own dissertation research in medieval Catalonia.

Thursday, February 20, at 7:30 p.m., HIDDEN JEWS OF THE AMERICAN SOUTHWEST. This class will focus on the aftermath of the Expulsion of the Jews from Spain. Where did they settle? How did they survive? What were their customs? How do they live today?

Rabbi Leila Gal-Berner received her Ph.D. from UCLA. She was first ordained by the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in 1989. In 2009, she was ordained by Reb Zalman Schachter-Shalomi, z"l, founder of the movement for Jewish Renewal. She has taught at several major colleges and universities: Reed and Swarthmore Colleges; Emory, George Washington, and American Universities. She is currently Dean of Students of the ALEPH Alliance for Jewish Renewal Ordination Program.

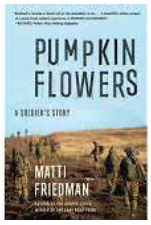
DINNER CLUB

The Dinner Club will warm up with some Italian cuisine this month! Join us on **Thursday, February 27 at 6:00 p.m.** for food, friendship, and conversation. This is a great way to get to know your fellow congregants in an informal setting. For questions or to RSVP by February 25, please contact Liz Koozmin at ekoozmin@yahoo.com or (571) 345-8916.

A NOTE ABOUT BRAD STONE'S "JEWS IN THE CIVIL WAR" PRESENTATION

If you attended Brad's outstanding presentation on January 5 and are interested in more information about how Jews have historically contributed to American society, then check out another of his presentations. In this talk, Brad discusses how some of the factors that influenced the Jewish community during the Civil War (for instance, the tremendous wave of German immigrants) also left a lasting impact on the American celebration of Christmas and the contributions American Jews made in shaping the modern American Christmas holiday. The presentation was recorded and aired by CSPAN3–American History TV last month and is available to watch online at https://www. c-span.org/video/?467338-2/colonial-civil-war-christmas-traditions.

Book Club



Everyone is welcome to join us on **March 1, at 1 pm in the Chapel.** We will be talking about "Pumpkin Flowers," by Matti Friedman. Mr. Friedman writes about his experiences as an IDF soldier, during the southern Lebanon conflict.

During the 1990s, Mr. Friedman and his fellow soldiers fought in a string of conflicts, that never collectively earned a name. These battles were between Israel's first Lebanon War in 1982 and its second in 2006. The author was involved in an endless, lethal skirmishes in southern Lebanon, hoping to secure the border against Hezbollah. It was the beginning of suicide car bombs and roadside explosives. The book explains the rise of a type of war in which there is never a clear victor and media images can be as important as the battle itself.

The soldiers understood that they were fighting, not only for the State of Israel,but to ensure the continued existence of Israel as a Jewish homeland for all Jewish people, including us in the United States. The book is available in all Frederick libraries.

Rosh Chodesh Group

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27 AT 7:00 P.M

The first day of each Jewish month–the celebration of the new moon, is a day historically related to women's renewal and celebration.

Join us every month as we gather together for learning, ritual, and spiritual exploration to celebrate Rosh Chodesh with Cantor Shulie!

The gathering will take place at Beth Sholom.

ON TUESDAYS, COME JOIN THE FUN AND PLAY MAH JONGG

THE GAME STARTS AT 11:30 AM.

BEGINNERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.

ENJOY THE AFTERNOON & MAKE NEW FRIENDS.

Tzedek Committee

STAN BINDER | 703-609-7011

BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK

During January and February, we are promoting donations to Blessings in a Backpack of Frederick (BIAP). Blessings in a Backpack provides food to take home for weekends and holidays for children who depend on school meals as their primary source of nutrition. BIAP provides nutritious food to more than 2,700 children in 19 elementary schools in the Frederick County Public School system. A $100 contribution will feed a child for each weekend during the school year.

Checks can be made payable to Blessings in a Backpack Frederick and mailed to:

Blessings in a Backpack
P.O. Box 3508
Frederick, MD 21705 3508

Donations can also be made on line at www.biabfrederickmd.org. Click on the Donate option. You may associate your donation with the synagogue by checking "Make this gift on behalf of an organization" and entering "Beth Sholom" in the box.

We will also collect food for BIAP if you wish to make an in-kind donation. Please be aware that BIAP can only accept the items specifically listed below.

- Rice-a-Roni CUPS ONLY…Chicken
- Mac & Cheese… (7.25oz) box…NO MICRO CUPS, please
- Chef Boyardee Ravioli (15oz can)– NO MICRO CUPS, please
- CANS of Tuna Fish…NO packs or boxes
- Single-serve Instant Oatmeal packets
- Chicken Noodle Soup (old-fashioned, regular size)
- 2 bar/pkg. Oats & Honey Granola Bars…NO peanut bars, please
- Individual CUPS of Fruit, Applesauce or Pudding...NO squeeze packs, please
- Corn, Green Beans, Red Kidney Beans or Black Beans (15oz cans)
- Raman Noodles…cello packs…NO MICRO CUPS, please

BETH SHOLOM HOSTED DINNER AT THE FREDERICK SOUP KITCHEN

On December 24, 2019 members and friends of Beth Sholom served dinner to 68 guests at the Frederick Soup Kitchen. Thank you to everyone who baked desserts, prepared, served, and cleaned up: Diana, Eric, Nora and Tegan Schobel, Margie Cantor, Karl Bernstein, Sharon and Dan Kuebbing, Jenny, Julian, Charlie and Oliver Lazarus, Marianne and Marty Erlichman, Barbara Fromer, Bev Chado, Max and Carly Peltz, Alan Eisenberg, Sheila Blank, Sandra and Albert Dorfman, Franna Ruddell and Stan Binder. A special thank you to Marcy Taylor who once again organized and managed the enterprise and Eric Schobel who stepped up to the hardest and dirtiest job of washing the dishes, cutlery and glasses.

LIFE CYCLE INFORMATION - WHEN A DEATH OCCURS

When a death occurs during working hours, please call the synagogue office at 301-663-3437 and ask for Marcia Newfeld so that we may be of assistance. After hours, please call Marcia's cell phone 301-471-0040, leave a message and Marcia will return the call. On holidays and Shabbat, even though detailed arrangements for a funeral may not be made, you may still leave a message on Marcia's cell phone.

Chesed/Religious Affairs Committee:
The Chesed Committee assists families who have experienced a death by providing food following the funeral. The Religious Affairs Committee will help set up and lead shivah minyanim. We welcome your interest and encourage your participation and assistance. We need you. Please join us in helping fellow congregants.

If you have any questions, please contact Marcia Newfeld at 301-663-3437.

Youth Committee

Greetings from the Youth Committee! We are planning some fun Sunday activities for our youth and families alike. Many of the activities include reaching out to our community in some manner, reinforcing Rabbi's and Cantor's Religious School lessons about tzedakah. Mark your calendars and keep a look out for more details to come.

- February 2: "Hearts for our Heroes" We will be making chocolate hearts and cards to thank First Responders for their service. You will be able to deliver these to your local First Responders/Fire Station immediately following this event.
- March 15: Mitzvah Day
- March 29: Let's go bowling!
- April 5: "Bingo for a Cause" Before we play Bingo, we will build a pyramid out of canned food donations. After Bingo, we will donate the collected food to the local food bank.
- April 12: Beth Sholom will be serving dinner at the Soup Kitchen. Older youth are encouraged to help with this event.
- May 10: Mother's Day Brunch

We hope you will join us for these fun-filled activities! If you would like to help plan any of these events or find out how to get involved with the Youth Committee, please contact Marcy Taylor, Andrea Eyler or Stacee Springer.

Membership Committee

MONA CANTER, CHAIR

Welcome!

Coming soon to Beth Sholom, welcome tags!

If you are new to Beth Sholom or would just like some company at services or a synagogue event, please look for a congregant wearing a welcome tag. If you are a Board member, committee member or a congregant who enjoys sharing information about Beth Sholom, please feel free to wear a welcome tag when you attend services or a synagogue event. They will be located on the shelf, on the left as you enter the Sanctuary.

Mazal Tov to

Dan and Amy Allex on the birth of their granddaughter, Stevie Elizabeth Allex. Born January 1, 2020 to Kevin and Marissa Allex.

CONDOLENCES TO:

Linda Kincaid and Dan Pearlman and families on the passing of Linda's husband and Dan's uncle, Tom Kincaid

Sharon Edelstein and Cindy Shubin and families on the passing of their uncle, Ron Kessler

Sheila Blank and Daniel Blank and families on the passing of Daniel's sister-in-law and Sheila's aunt, Miriam Terlitzky

Joe Herzog and family on the passing of his mother, Rhoda Herzog

Stuart and Arlene Greenspan and family on the passing of their niece, Ashleigh Simon

Early Childhood Center

Our two-year old class is off to a wonderful start. We still have room if you know someone who would like to join us! We meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9-11:30 a.m.

The three-year and four-year old class has been learning about winter. They talked about how winter is different from the other seasons. They learned about snowflakes and how they are formed. Animals that like the cold and those that hibernate or slow down for the winter were discussed. The class also sang lots of winter songs and read many fun winter stories.

The science class made snowmen melt and the animal class created animals that like the cold.

It's Pre-School Registration Time!

JOANNA SIEGER, DIRECTOR

Hard to believe, but it's time to register for next year.

Registration opens January 13, for Beth Sholom Members and students currently enrolled in our program and their siblings. Non-members may register starting on January 20.

Registering for preschool at this time not only ensures your child a spot, but also helps us to plan our budgeting and staffing needs. Please pick up an application from the office to complete and return it with your $90 registration fee. Tuition may increase slightly as the budget for next year has not been set.

If you have any questions, please contact me at eccdirector@bethsholomfrederick.org.

Religious School Happenings

RABBI JORDAN AND CANTOR SHULIE HERSH
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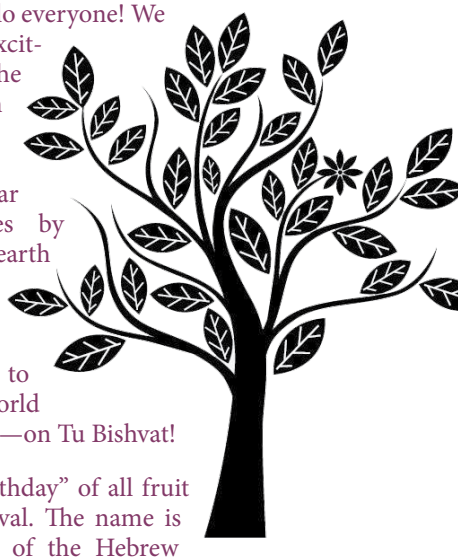

Shalom l'kulam!—Hello everyone! We are coming upon an exciting time of year in the Jewish calendar. With Chanukah behind us, we are ready to move forward with our year and renew ourselves by reconnecting to the earth and all who dwell on it. How do we do this? It is imbedded within our tradition to celebrate the natural world and within it, the trees—on Tu Bishvat!

Tu Bishvat or the "birthday" of all fruit trees, is a minor festival. The name is Hebrew for the 15th of the Hebrew month of Shevat.

In ancient times, Tu Bishvat was merely a date on the calendar that helped Jewish farmers establish exactly when they should bring their fourth-year produce of fruit from recently planted trees to the Temple as first-fruit offerings.

In modern times, Tu Bishvat has become a symbol of both Zionist attachment to the land of Israel as well as an example of Jewish sensitivity to the environment. Early Zionist settlers to Israel began planting new trees not only to restore the ecology of ancient Israel, but as a symbol of renewed growth of the Jewish people returning to their ancestral homeland. While relatively few Jews continue to observe the kabbalistic Tu Bishvat seder, many American and European Jews observe Tu Bishvat by contributing money to the Jewish National Fund, an organization devoted to reforesting Israel.

For environmentalists, Tu Bishvat is an ancient and authentic Jewish "Earth Day" that educates Jews about the Jewish tradition's advocacy of responsible stewardship of God's creation as manifested in ecological activism. Among them, contemporary versions of the Tu Bishvat seder, emphasizing environmentalist concerns, are gaining popularity. It also goes without saying that simply by getting outside and bringing our awareness to the natural world is the first step in deepening our relationship with our earth.

It is incumbent upon us as Jews to be just that—stewards of the earth as God intended us to be. We have the opportunity to raise tzedakah for any number of Jewish ecological organizations and we are urging our teachers and classes to do so, in addition to any other charity organizations of their choosing. May we continue to foster a connection to the earth and with that connection we foster a partnership with the natural world around us.

BETH SHOLOM THANKS THE FOLLOWING BINGO VOLUNTEERS, ALL OF WHOM HAVE DONATED THEIR TIME TO HELP OUT WITH THE GAME OR IN THE KITCHEN:

Marcia Newfeld
Sid & Michelle Kandel
Gerry Goldgraben
Judi Spungen
Darlene Carver
Thelma Cohen
Robin Schnapper
Willie & Sherry Greenfield
Dan Allex
Heather Cohen
Judy & Earl Nelson
Ricky Hirschhorn
Mary & Mark Vallon
Roz Nasher
Dan Grauman
Sharon & Marshall Botkin
Monda Sagalkin
Mike Eissenstat
Jon Cody
Cindi Diamondstone
Jeff Rossio
Spence & Elaine Neufeld
Jenny Lazarus
Garry & Micki Cohen
Daryll Miller
Eileen Stahl
Dan Pearlman
Liz Koozmin
Bobby Cantor
Lois Loew
Ilene & Joe Liszka
Andy Rosenfeld
Marty Potash
Craig & Robin Cornblatt
Cindy Warne
Eric Marcus
Sara Levine
Laney & Marty Standel
Sharon Edelstein & Mike Smith
Candace & Joseph Herzog
Rabbi Hersh
Jack & Jill Ascher
Albert & Sandy Dorfman
Scott Needle
Mike Turell
Kevin Eyler
Ed & Alissa Locke
Karen Ashwal
Stan Binder

TREE OF LIFE II

Beth Sholom is growing and so is our lobby, with a second Tree of Life!

Help Beth Sholom fill this second Tree of Life by commemorating a special occasion or honoring a loved one with an engraved leaf.

Leaves are $108 each and can hold up to three lines of text. To place your order or learn how you can be a sponsor for the tree, please contact the office at 301-663-3437.

TOT SHABBAT with Cantor Shulie

Friday night service for kids ages 2-6 and their parents

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21
6:00 pm

Stories and songs your kids will love
Oneg Shabbat (refreshments) following

Everyone is welcome!

Beth Sholom Gift Shop Open

Check out our Gift Shop every Sunday during Religious School, or call for a private showing.

KNIT & KNOSH

JOIN OUR GROWING GROUP OF AVID KNITTERS, CROCHETERS & NEEDLEPOINTERS

OPEN TO ALL
EVERY WEDNESDAY
1:00-4:00 P.M.

Yahrzeits

FEBRUARY 2020

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FEBRUARY 6 & 7*

Henry Goldberg
Sally Kravtiz
Fran Leidman
Solon Diamondstone
Gary Dwoskin
Anna Cron
Paul Loew
Armin Mohr
Hannah Glaser Miller
Norman Langsam
Sylvia Solomon
Lazar Cooper

FEBRUARY 14 & 15*

Jules Shapiro
Jacob Simon
Lucille Mohr
Reuben Sclar
Judith Grauman
Louis Sager
Ronald Sautman
Sidney Gershman
James Feeney
Helen Kalb
Helen Rubinstein

FEBRUARY 21 & 22*

Lois Klionsky
Barbara Satin
Stanley Spectre
Morris Osband
Blanche Sagalkin
Emma Blank
Aaron Meyer
Rebecca Stern
Miriam Adelman
Joyce Kimmelman
Frederick Goetz
Arnold Zweig

FEBRUARY 28 & 29*

Beverlee Springer
Frank Costin
Shirley Goldgraben
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February 2020 6 Shevat 5780 - 4 Adar 5780

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						6 SHEVAT 1 Bo 9:30a Services 12:30p Torah Study 8p Casino Night
7 SHEVAT 2 9:30am Religious School 10a Bar/Bat Mitzvah Parent Mtg. 12:30p Youth Event: Hearts for Heroes 5p Bingo	8 SHEVAT 3 5p Shoresh Bingo	9 SHEVAT 4 10a Meditation Class 11:30a Mah Jongg 7:00p Rabbi Hersh Class	10 SHEVAT 5 1p Knit and Knosh 5p Hebrew Power Hour 7:30p Rabbi T Class 7:30 Exec. Comm. Mtg.	11 SHEVAT 6 8a Minyan 9:30a Talmud 2p Adult Bat Mitzvah Class 7:30 Rabbi Berner Class	12 SHEVAT 7 5:17 6p Services with Cantor Shulie	13 SHEVAT 8 Beshalach 9:30a Services with Cantor Shulie 12:30p Lunch and Learn
14 SHEVAT 9 9:30am Religious School 10a Mussar 5p Bingo	15 SHEVAT 10 Tu B'Shvat 5p Bingo	16 SHEVAT 11 10a Meditation Class 11:30a Mah Jongg 7:00p Rabbi Hersh Class	17 SHEVAT 12 Lincoln's Birthday 1p Knit and Knosh 5p Hebrew Power Hour 7:30p Rabbi T Class	18 SHEVAT 13 8a Minyan 9:30a Talmud 2p Adult Bat Mitzvah Class 7:30 Rabbi Berner Class	19 SHEVAT 14 5:25 6p Services	20 SHEVAT 15 Yisro 9:30a Services 12:30p Torah Study
21 SHEVAT 16 **No Religious School** **5p Bingo-Holiday Bonanza**	22 SHEVAT 17 Washington's Birthday (observed) **Office/ECC Closed** 5p Shoresh Bingo	23 SHEVAT 18 10a Meditation Class 11:30a Mah Jongg	24 SHEVAT 19 1p Knit and Knosh 5p Hebrew Power Hour 7:30p Rabbi T Class	25 SHEVAT 20 8a Minyan 9:30a Talmud 7:30 Rabbi Berner Class	26 SHEVAT 21 5:34 6p Tot Shabbat w/ Cantor Shulie 6p Services w/ RS Participation 7p Congregational Dinner	27 SHEVAT 22 Mishpatim Parshas Shekalim 9:30a Services with Cantor Shulie 12:30p Torah Study
28 SHEVAT 23 9a Mussar 9:30am Religious School 10a Board of Trustees Mtg. 11:30a NMSIC 12:35 RS Staff Mtg. 5p Bingo	29 SHEVAT 24 5p Bingo	30 SHEVAT 25 Rosh Chodesh Adar - Day 1 10a Meditation Class 11:30a Mah Jongg 7:00p Rabbi Hersh Class	1 ADAR 26 Rosh Chodesh Adar - Day 2 1p Knit and Knosh 5p Hebrew Power Hour 7:30p Rabbi T Class	2 ADAR 27 8a Minyan 9:30a Talmud 2p Adult Bat Mitzvah Class 6p Dinner Club 7p Rosh Chodesh Group	3 ADAR 28 5:41 6p Services with Cantor Shulie	4 ADAR 29 Terumah 9:30a Services 12:30p Torah Study

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March 2020 5 Adar 5780 - 6 Nisan 5780

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 5 ADAR 9:30a Religious School 1p Book Club 5p Bingo	2 6 ADAR 5p Shoresh Bingo	3 7 ADAR 10a Meditation Class 11:30a Mah Jongg 7:00p Rabbi H Class	4 8 ADAR 1p Knit and Knosh 5p Hebrew Power Hour 7:30p Rabbi T	5 9 ADAR 8a Minyan 9:30a Talmud 2p Adult Bat Mitzvah	6 10 ADAR 5:49 6p Services with Cantor Shulie	7 11 ADAR Tetzaveh Parshas Zachor 9:30a Services with Cantor Shulie 12:30p Torah Study
8 12 ADAR **Daylight Savings Time Begins** 9:30a Religious School 10a Mussar 10:30a Purim Carnival for ECC age 11:30a Purim Carnival 5p Bingo	9 13 ADAR Fast of Esther **No Bingo** 5:30p Pizza Dinner 6p Family Megillah Reading 7:30p Megillah Reading 8:30p Purim Bash	10 14 ADAR Purim 9:30a Services with Megillah Reading	11 15 ADAR Shushan Purim 1p Knit and Knosh 5p Hebrew Power Hour 7:30 Rabbi T 7:30 Executive Committee Mtg	12 16 ADAR 8a Minyan 9:30a Talmud 2p Adult Bat Mitzvah Class	13 17 ADAR 6:56 7p Services	14 18 ADAR Ki Sisa Parshas Parah 9:30a Services 12:30 Torah Study
15 19 ADAR 9:30a Religious School 12:30p Youth Event: Mitzvah Day 5p Bingo	16 20 ADAR 5p Shoresh Bingo	17 21 ADAR 10a Meditation Class 11:30 Mah Jongg 7:00p Rabbi H Class	18 22 ADAR 1p Knit and Knosh 5p Hebrew Power Hour 7:30 Rabbi T	19 23 ADAR 8a Minyan 9:30a Talmud 2p Adult Bat Mitzvah Class	20 24 ADAR 7:03 6p Tot Shabbat with Cantor Shulie 7p Services with RS Partcipation	21 25 ADAR Vayakhel - Pekudei Parshas Hachodesh 9:30a Services with Cantor Shulie 12:30 Torah Study 6:30p Seudah Shlishit
22 26 ADAR 9:30a Religious School 10a Board of Trustees Mtg 9a Mussar 12:35 RS Staff Mtg 5p Bingo	23 27 ADAR **5p Bingo-Holiday Bonanza**	24 28 ADAR 10a Meditation Class 11:30 Mah Jongg 7:00p Rabbi H Class	25 29 ADAR 1p Knit and Knosh 5p Hebrew Power Hour 7:30 Rabbi T	26 1 NISAN Rosh Chodesh Nisan 8a Minyan 9:30a Talmud 2p Adult Bat Mitzvah Class 7:00p Rosh Chodesh Group	27 2 NISAN 7:10 7p Services with Cantor Shulie	28 3 NISAN Vayikra 9:30a Services 12:30 Torah Study
29 4 NISAN 9:30a Religious School 12:30p Youth Event: Bowling **5p Bingo-Holiday Bonanza**	30 5 NISAN 5p Bingo	31 6 NISAN 10a Meditation Class 11:30 Mah Jongg 7:00p Rabbi H Class				

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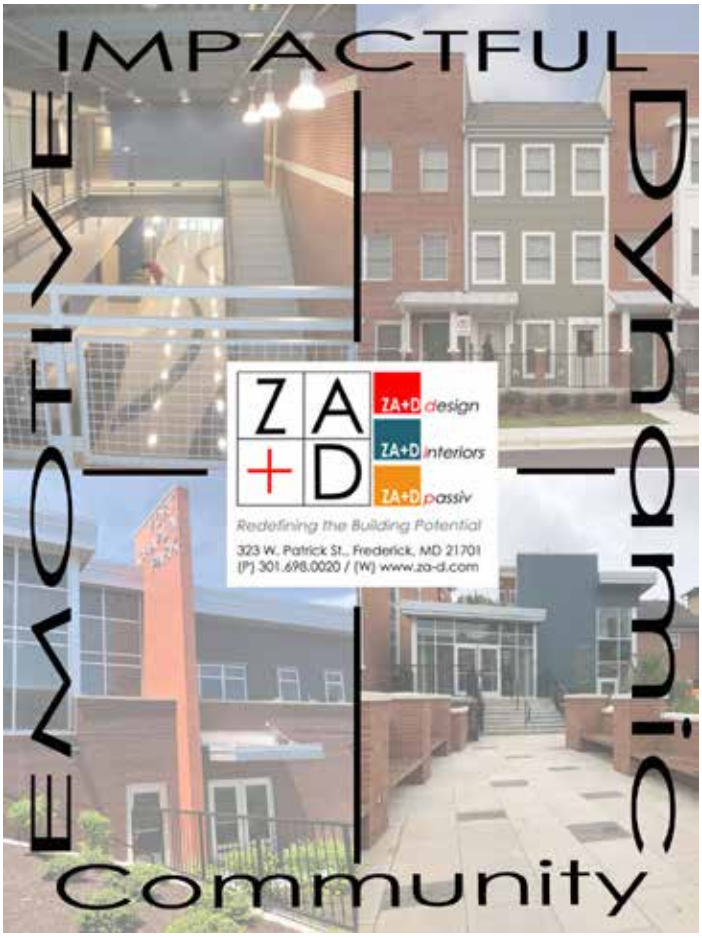

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