The Shofar

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*denotes new board member

**GPMB Members up for re-election this year.

Reset the mi she'beirahk list

(list of our loved ones in need of healing)

The list will be cleared and compiled anew (quarterly) to reflect more recent changes. Updates to the mi she' beirahk list may be updated weekly with your loved one's names by visiting www.bethelyardley.org.

Members only: log in to member portal. Names stay on the list until the reset date. The link is for new and additional names.

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Fridays 8:30am - 2:00pm

Service Times

Fridays: 6:00pm Saturdays: 9:30am

Monday - Friday

Morning Minyan 7:00am (in person only)

Sunday - Thursday

Evening Minyan 7:30pm (virtual only)

Sundays & Secular Holidays

Morning Minyan 8:00am (in person only)

Check out our website

www.bethelyardley.org

Find out more about our programming, events, and classes and RSVP online.



The Shofar - Congregation Beth El's Newsletter Issues

July/August, September/October, November/ December, January/February, March/April, May/June

Deadlines for the Shofar are on the 16th of the month **prior** to the new edition coming out; except if it falls on Shabbat or a Jewish holiday.

It Matters When It Matters!



Why be a member of Beth El?

There are many reasons to be a member of a synagogue. To be a member of Beth El.

In addition to morning minyan, Shabbat services, Hazak, Sisterhood and Men's Club events, we have Cook for a Friend, adult educational opportunities and much more.

However, one of the most compelling reasons to belong to Beth El is because it matters when it matters.

This past year my sister in-law passed away suddenly and unexpectedly. Anyone who has experienced this understands the chaos, the emotions, the costs and the stress that comes like a tidal wave.

A funeral, a cemetery plot, a Rabbi, and a shiva. Followed by saying Kaddish and the unveiling.

Imagine for a moment you were not a member of a shul. Imagine there was not a shul because people drifted away or just didn't think it was important after their children had completed Bar Mitzvah. What would you do?

One of the most important reasons for being a member and supporting Beth El is because "It Matters When It Matters". Maybe not for you but for a friend, a relative or fellow congregant.

Many years ago the members of Beth El understood this and purchased hundreds of plots at King David Cemetery. While the cost of a cemetery plot can run \$5,000 to \$10,000, our congregation has kept the cost to under \$2,000 for members and their families.

In 2024, we are going to be offering a special opportunity for you and your family to purchase plots at our current and significantly below market cost. This is a great way to support Beth El and plan for the future.

Another very special step we have taken to bring our community together is to expand the number of Shabbat morning community meals and Friday evening services. Earlier this month Ian and I sponsored a Friday Evening Dinner after services. It was attended by over 90 members. It was a wonderful event to build community and enjoy an evening together.

There will be many more events like this in the coming year. Please consider joining us. Please invite your friends, family and prospective members.

I would like to end this month's Presidents' letter with a prayer for Israel that I came across not too long ago.

We pray for the Land of Israel and all its people. May its borders know peace, its inhabitants tranquility. And may the bonds of faith and fate that unite Jews of all lands be a source of strength to Israel and to us all. God of all lands and ages, answer our constant prayer with a Zion once more aglow with light for us and all the world and let us say Amen.

My best,

Mark Fried Co-President

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president@bethelyardley.org



Joy Santoro (Cooper), Board Member

Joy Santoro married Marc in November 2023. They live in Langhorne with Marc's two children Emma and Cole. Joy is the President of the Vesper Institute, a dental education facility in Ohio. Joy grew up in Wynnewood, PA and attended Camp Ramah in the Poconos. Joy is a graduate of Akiba Hebrew Academy (Barrack).

They are season ticket holders to the Eagles and enjoy playing tennis.



All ADULTS Welcome to Attend!

Join *Hazak*, *PTO* & *Sisterhood* for a morning of games!





My morning prayers include this paragraph, which follows a selection of teachings from the Rabbis:

May it be Your will, ADONAI our God and God of our ancestors, to grant our portion in your Torah. May we be disciples of Aaron the priest, loving peace and pursuing peace, loving our fellow creatures and drawing them near to the Torah.

In its treatment of Mishna Avot 1:16 (which is the inspiration for the above paragraph), Avot D'Rabbi Natan (Chapter 12) makes some additions to the text:

Be like the students of Aaron: Love peace, and pursue peace, and bring peace between one person and another, and between husband and wife, [love all people,] and bring them closer to Torah.

How so? ... when two people were fighting with one another, Aaron would go and sit next to one of them and say: My son, look at the anguish your friend is going through! His heart is ripped apart and he is tearing at his clothes. He is saying, How can I face my old friend? I am so ashamed, I betrayed his trust. Aaron would sit with him until his rage subsided. Then Aaron would go to the other person in the fight and say: My son, look at the anguish your friend is going through! His heart is ripped apart and he is tearing at his clothes. He is saying, How can I face my old friend? I am so ashamed, I betrayed his trust. Aaron would sit with him until his rage subsided. When the two people saw each other, they would embrace and kiss one another.

Aaron's example is – to me at least – a clear violation of NHL Rule 46.16:

46.16 Third Man In - A game misconduct penalty, at the discretion of the Referee, shall be imposed on any player who is the first to intervene (third man in) in an altercation already in progress except when a match penalty is being imposed in the original altercation. This penalty is in addition to any other penalties incurred in the same incident.

This rule also applies to subsequent players who elect to intervene in the same or other altercations during the same stoppage of play. Generally, this rule is applied when a fight occurs.

I have grave reservations about Aaron's strategy of manipulation: what is going to happen when the two newly-reconciled individuals compare notes and realize that they have been lied to? And I have reservations about Rule 46.16 – sometimes the third person has observations that lead to the belief that – if only the people involved knew what the other was thinking – everything could be resolved.

It can be painful to witness people in conflict, especially when each only has part of the truth, and there is a great temptation to intervene. Perhaps that's why the paragraph at the top of the page is in the form of a prayer: May God grant us the wisdom to know when to love peace, when to pursue peace, when to bring peace between one person and another, and when to refrain from mixing in.

Rabbi David Cantor

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Join us on Sunday, February 25, 2024 9:30am-12:00pm

Did you ever wonder why we do what we do at weddings?

What do you mean the bride and groom are supposed to fast on their wedding day? What do you mean they both wear white? What is a tish and why do we do it? Why does the groom veil the bride?

We have a wedding coming up and <u>everyone</u> is invited!*

Our rabbi just had his bar mitzvah, our cantor is in 5th grade, the decorations and food are being decided by 2-6th graders (so that should be exciting). We plan to have a photographer over the age of 5 (but no promises) and the chuppah holders are working out so they can hold up the poles for the length of the service. All the blessings will be read by the FJLC students. You will learn things about the Jewish wedding you never knew, and what we just learned this year!

We are marrying off Rabbi and Rebbetzin Cantor (just in time for their 30th anniversary) and are going to do a play by play of each tradition and part of the wedding.

Kedma Canton

Kedma Cantor Education Director kcantor@bethelyardley.org *Refreshments will be provided? And there will be dancing. The only gift required is your presence.

(Get it? It sounds like presents!)





Get involved, volunteer!
Join us on FJLC's trip to JRA...

We will be visiting and volunteering at the Jewish Relief Agency on January 14.

Please let us know if you wish to join us in packing and delivering

food for those less fortunate than us.

Contact Kedma Cantor, kcantor@bethelyardley.org.

B'nai Mitzvah University 9:30am



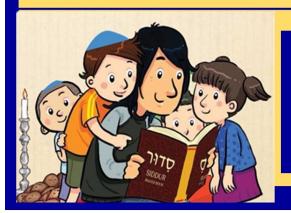
Calling All 3rd - 7th Graders (& Parents!)

Join us in the main sanctuary to help lead the service & then we'll go to the chapel for our practice service.

January 20 February 10 March 16
April 13 May 1



Then stay for a yummy kiddush lunch.



Tot Shabbat 10:30am

Upstairs With
Miss Liz
for
2-6 year olds



Friday Might 6pm

FJLC Shabbat - Open to all!

Services & Potluck Dinner

SAVE THE DATE
February 23
May 17



Join us and kvell as your kids help lead Kabbalat Shabbat.

The Sign Up Genius Link to sign up to bring a dish (to serve 8-10 people) will be forthcoming. Check emails and visit www.bethelyardley.org.







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Every Shabbat Morning

Make a New Years Resolution to grow your Jewish learning in 2024. Here is a menu of interesting, informative, and fun programs to challenge your brain and stimulate your personal growth!

JANUARY

Torah Study with Rabbi Cantor

Every Saturday morning at 9:00 AM, starting on Jan. 6 No prior knowledge required.

Book Club: "A Bend in the Stars" by Rachel Barenboim

Sunday morning, January 7 10:30 AM (In person)

This beautifully written literary novel is many things – a historical thriller about physics, the plight of Russian Jews in Czarist Russia, a complicated love triangle, and the sweeping family saga. Read it, you won't regret it! And come share your thoughts in the Oneg Room on January 7!



Movies in the Morning/in collaboration with Gems

Wednesday morning, January 24 at 10:00 AM, in person at Beth El Join us on Wednesday morning for a movie, munchies, and social time. Sponsored by Golden Slipper Gems. Check emails for title of movie.

<u>Jewish Lifecycles Series: Jewish Child-Rearing Practices</u> *Wednesday evening, Jan. 24 from 7:00-8:30 PM (Virtual Beth El Only)*

How do you raise a Jewish child (or grandchild)? We will continue our exploration of the Jewish life-cycle by looking at practices and milestones from birth through B'nai Mitzvah and beyond. Discussion leader: Rabbi Cantor

Jews & Politics in Europe, US & Israel with Harriet Freidenreich

Wednesdays weekly at 10:00 AM starting on Jan. 31 - Apr. 17. In person at Beth El. Visit www.bethelyardley.org for more information and topics for each class.

FEBRUARY

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Culture and Cream Cheese/ Discussion Group

Sunday Morning, February 4 at 10:30 AM, in person at Beth El

Come and discuss what's new in Jewish-related books, culture, and the arts. Tell us what you're reading or watching, and find out what books/movies/TV series are helping us survive the winter. If you ever secretly longed to be a book/movie/TV critic, this discussion group is for you!! Come for the bagels (meh...) or come for the discussion (always two-thumbs up)! Discussion leader: Alex Geiger

Bristol
Riverside
Theatre

Field Trip to "A Raisin in the Sun" at Bristol Riverside Theater

Sunday, February 18 at 3:00 PM (Visit www.bethelyardley.org to RSVP or call the office)

We'll meet up at Bristol Riverside Theater at 2:30 PM to pick up tickets and get seated for a matinee performance of "Raisin in the Sun."

Football is over, so come and join us for a Sunday outing!!

Jewish Lifecycles Series: Jewish Approach to End-of-Life Issues

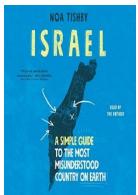
Wednesday evening, Feb. 28 from 7:00-8:30 PM (Virtual Beth El Only)
How do Jews handle the many questions that arise when a family member becomes ill and infirm? How do we reconcile Jewish thinking on death and dying with modern medical science? Join Rabbi Cantor for an in-depth discussion as we conclude our Jewish Lifecycle Series.

Culture and Cream Cheese Items Discussed on December 3, 2023



Paris Police 1900, set in fin de siècle Paris, this French TV series takes an uncompromising look at the dark undercurrents churning just beneath the glamorous surface of Parisian high society. In addition to the gorgeous fashions and sleazy

liaisons, we get to see the rabid antisemitism permeating French society, from the highest levels of government to the lowest street ruffians. Their leader, Jules Guérin, the publisher of the weekly L'Antijuif (the Antisemite), hopes to use the popular uproar caused by the efforts to reverse the conviction of Alfred Dreyfus to bring down the French government and install antisemitic officials more to his liking. Currently streaming on YouTube, MHz, and Amazon Prime (at extra cost). Recommended by our reviewers.



Israel: A Simple Guide to the Most Misunderstood Country on Earth, by Noa Tishby. This is the most talked-about book in the Jewish community today. It is also this year's selection of the One Book, One Jewish Community committee. If you want to

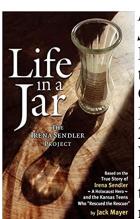
understand what is going on in Israel at the moment, you should read this book.
"Through bite-sized chunks of history and deeply personal stories, Tishby chronicles her homeland's evolution, beginning in Biblical times and moving forward to cover everything from WWI to Israel's creation to the disputes dividing the country today."



The Righteous Mind: Why Good People are Divided by Politics and Religion,

by Jonathan Haidt. We live in an era of sharp political divisions, not only between Democrats and Republicans, liberals and conservatives, Jews and Jew-haters, but also between Jews who "Stand with Israel" and

"Jews for Justice for Palestinians." The author, who is a social psychologist and a "Professor of Ethical Leadership" at New York University, argues that moral judgments arise not from reason but from gut feelings. This helps to explain how so many people arrive at such unreasonable judgments and why it is so difficult to reason with them.



Life in a Jar: The Irena Sendler Project, by Jack Mayer. This book is based on a true story about a Polish Catholic social worker, named Irena Sendler, who saved 2,500 Jewish children from the Warsaw ghetto. After the war her story was suppressed by the Polish government. It was rediscovered by three high

school girls from a rural school district in Kansas, working on a history project. They turned it into a play they called Life in a Jar, which eventually became a worldwide sensation. It was then turned into this book by the author, who is Jewish.

Culture and Cream Cheese Items Discussed on December 3, 2023 (continued)



Israeli TV series *Malkot (Queens)*, currently streaming on YouTube, MHz, and Amazon Prime (at extra cost). This is entertaining crime drama that provides much-needed comic relief to the grim reality that we watch every evening on the news. It's a silly story about an Israeli crime family whose entire male leadership is wiped out in a crime war, forcing the women of the family to take over the reins. Recommended by our reviewers.



Betrayed is a movie about a Jewish family in Norway that ends up in Auschwitz. Based on historical facts, this movie takes a tough look at the treatment of Jews in Norway during WWII by gentiles who, they thought, were their friends and neighbors. Not only is this a heart-wrenching story but also serves as an antidote to the cottage industry of books about "righteous gentiles" that has sprung up in the US over the past few years. Currently streaming on Amazon Prime, this movie is highly recommended by our reviewer.

Next Book Club selection: A Bend in the Stars



A Bend in the Stars, by Rachel Barenbaum, is a novel set in Tsarist Russia in 1914. Its principal protagonists are two Jewish siblings, Vanya, who is a brilliant physicist, and his sister Miri, who is a surgeon in a country with very few female doctors. Vanya is trying to prove that starlight is bent by the gravitational field of the Sun, while Miri is trying to keep herself, her brother, and her fiancé alive long enough to escape from Russia before the Okhrana, the Jew-haters, jealous colleagues, and assorted other rogues and murderers can get them.

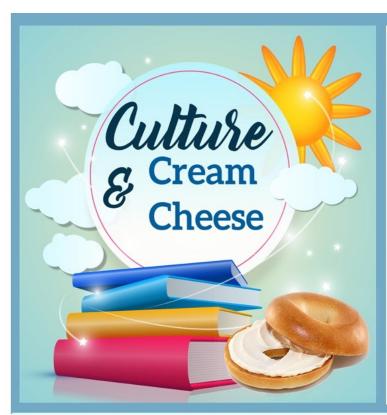
This book is the current selection of the Beth El Book Club. Please read it and come to discuss it at the next <u>Beth El Book Club meeting on Sunday, Jan. 7, at 10:30 am, in the Oneg Room</u>.



Discuss Jews as Liberals, Socialists, Communists, Conservatives in Germany, Poland, and Russia/Soviet Union, as well as Jewish political parties, including Orthodox, Bundist, Jewish Nationalists, General Zionist, and Labor Zionist parties in interwar Poland and elsewhere.

For more information, contact adulted@bethelyardley.org.





Discuss all the interesting **JEWISH** themed...

- Art exhibitions
- Authors
- Books
- Broadway shows
- Characters
- Cultural happenings
- Movies
- Operas
- TV shows
- · And more!

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Culture & Cream Cheese!

February 4 May 5

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Jewish Lifecycle

with Rabbi Cantor

WEDNESDAYS 7:00PM - 8:45PM

includes evening minyan

Visit www.bethelyardley.org to RSVP

November 1 Funeral & Mourning Practices
In person only

December 20 The Jewish Wedding In person & Virtual Beth El

January 24 Jewish Child-Rearing Practices
Virtual Beth El Only



Jewish Approach to End-of-Life Virtual Beth El Only





Join Rabbi Cantor to discuss the Parsha of the week.

Saturday Mornings 9:00am

(Before Services, meet in the lobby or Oneg Room)

ARCHIVES

Did you miss a program? No worries.

We have them recorded for you.

Visit www.bethelyardley;
click on the "Archives" tab
or click on the "Learn"
tab for the Adult
Education Archives.

If you have ideas for programs; are good at social media; have art, photography or writing skills; or like to plan events... then we would like to hear from you!

All volunteers warmly welcomed.

Please contact adulted@bethelyardley.org.



Holiday Programming Committee

Our *2nd Annual Hanukkah Hoopla* made the 7th night of Hanukkah extra special. For starters, there were crafts with Kedma and learning with Rabbi Cantor. Then we filled the lobby with light and sound as we kindled our Hanukkiyot, chanted the blessings and sang traditional Hanukkah songs. Finally, the ample supply of latkes and sufganiyot was a treat while we socialized or played dreidel. This event was definitely fun for all ages!



This intention of coming together at Beth El for celebrations will continue on **Saturday night**, **March 23**, **2024 for Purim**. The Megillah will be read and there will be activities for young and old based on the theme of *Candyland*. So... plan to join us, dress any way you want and bring your sweet tooth! Stay tuned for more details.

We'd love to have your help in any way. Please email us, call the office, or click on the volunteer link on upcoming flyers.

Sandie Hirsch & Shelli Krevitz holidayprogramming@bethelyardley.org

Kiddush Krew Committee



The Kiddush Krew is a group of volunteers who get together to prepare the Shabbat luncheons that follow services. It is a great way to get to know your fellow members. No kitchen skills needed.

Interested in volunteering, contact: barbara@bethelyardley.org. Please note: when you RSVP for lunches, a volunteer link will be in your confirmation email.

Membership Committee

Membership Incentive Program - Help increase our membership!



As a member, if you bring in any new members to Congregation Beth El, you will receive \$118 credit on your account. This money can be applied to your membership dues and/or any programs and events where there will be a cost. Please be sure to let the office know which new members you encouraged to join. Thank you in advance.





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Expense Category	Monthly Budget*	RaiseRight Earnings Avg	RaiseRight Annual Earnings
Groceries	\$400	4%	\$192
Gasoline	\$300	3%	\$108
Dining Out	\$250	10%	\$300
Entertainment	\$200	8%	\$192
Clothing	\$250	8%	\$240
Home Improvement	\$100	4%	548
		Total	\$1,080

*Based on average spend for a household family of 4



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An Oneg is a lovely way to honor someone you love, to celebrate an upcoming simcha, or to remember a loved one in a special way. It's a great way to mark a special event: birth, engagement, wedding, anniversary, birthday, graduation, or the return to good health.

INTRODUCING...

Beth El Sisterhood

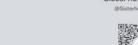
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Shabbat with the warmth
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The cost of sponsoring an oneg is \$18.



Please email sisterhood@bethelyardley.org or call the office 215-493-1707 x4 to reserve your Oneg



Men's Club

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At Beth El

Thursday, January 18 7:00pm

Topic: The Joy of Waiting

(including evening minyan)

Torah on Tap in person Evening Minyan in person & virtual

Wednesdays

February 7

June 5

Thursdays

March 7

April 11

May 9

For more information and to get involved with Men's Club, email mensclub@bethelyardley.org.



MEMBER PORTAL Visit www.bethelyardley.org

Always log into your member portal when registering or paying for events.

- Member Portal: Manage your account by logging in using your email and creating a password (top right –hand corner; gray box).
- Click on MY ACCOUNT
- Click on tiles under My Personal and Family Information to update any personal information.
- Click on tiles under My Financial Information; set up payments or make donations by clicking on the "Pay My Bill" tile. Follow prompts.
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Hello Welcome to the member account portal area. Here is where you can control everything related to your account Hover over the tiles below to see how they function. My Personal and Family Information 1 My Profile My Family Mv Yahrzeits Change My Password My Financial Information My Payment Methods Pay My Bill My Communications & Directory Options Membership Directory Edit My Directory Listing Events

The Social Action Committee & Advocates for Homeless & Those in Need (AHTN)



SHABBAT SERVICES & LUNCH



Saturday, February 10 9:30am

Guest Speaker:

Karen Mineo* will speak about the work the AHTN does to serve the homeless and needy in Bucks County.

*Visit www.bethelyardley.org for Karen's bio or contact socialaction@bethelyardley.org.

RSVP www.bethelyardley.org

RSVP will be forthcoming. Check emails.



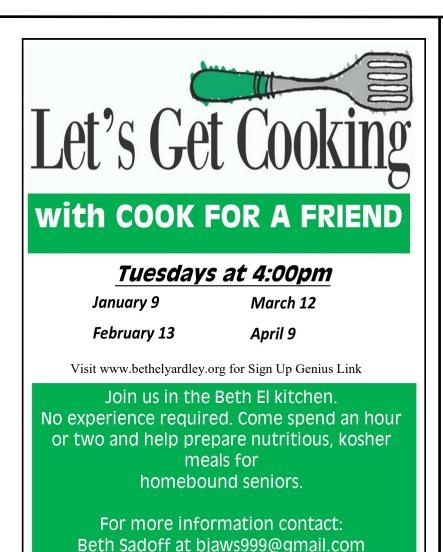
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The Ivins Outreach Center needs Volunteers

We encourage you to give the precious gift of time to those in need in our community. The Ivins Outreach Center urgently needs volunteers to assist with our Staying Put in Lower Bucks Program. Staying Put is driven by volunteers who provide services to give homebound seniors the practical means and social support to live their lives to the fullest, safely, and confidently in their own community with familiar connections. Volunteers provide transportation to medical appointments, grocery shopping, pharmacy, and hair salon appointments. If you have a few hours to spare, we welcome your assistance.

For more information concerning our program, please check our website: ivinsoutreach.org or for additional information, please contact Frank Walter at (215) 428-0500 x101 or email, frank@ivinsoutreach.org.



Congregation

For more information and to get involved with the Social Action Committee, contact Debbie Wachspress and Laura Lebenkoff at

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HAZAK (image below): Elyse Langley, Sunday, November 19, 2023



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NHL Flyers game: Sunday, November 19, 2023



Do you have a simcha you want to share?

Share your simcha in our Mazel Tov Monday email & "About our Members" section in our weekly email.

Mazel Tov Mondays are a great way to share your simcha with your Beth El Family. Email all Mazel Tov Monday submissions to barbara@bethelyardley.org by 9:00am on Sunday morning. All good news will be shared on Monday mornings. Your simcha may also be placed in the Friday Weekly email in the "About Our Members" section if the information is received by Thursday, 10:00am. Email barbara@bethelyardley.org.



- Mazel Toy to Wendy and Jon Algazi in honor of their 20th anniversary on November 8, Linda Schwartz, Jordyn, and Lexi Algazi.
- Mazel Tov to Jordyn Algazi on her "Sweet" 16 on November 11th, Linda Schwartz, Wendy, Jon, and Lexi Algazi.
- Mazel Tov to Alina Dorfman on her "Sweet" 16 on November 19th! Love, Mom and Dad (Melissa and Paul Dorfman)
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Our Community Sends their Deepest Condolences to ...

- ◆ Bonnie Abrams and Jason (Erica) Abrams, on the passing of Larry Snyder, brother of Bonnie and Jason's uncle.
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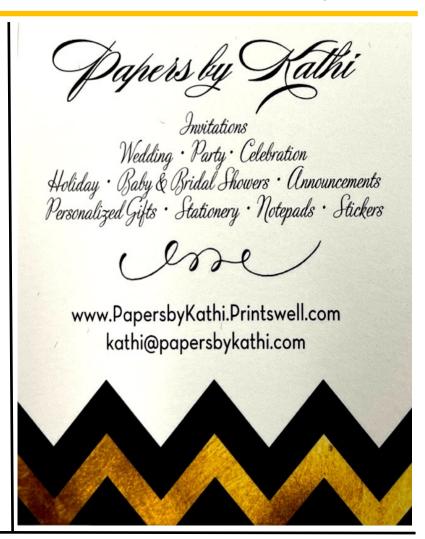


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Wednesday	3 (22 Tevet) 7:00am Morning Minyan 4:30pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	10 (29 Tevet) Sisterhood: Rosh Chodesh Program 7:00am Morning Minyan 4:30pm FJLC (3rd - 7th) 7:30pm Evening Minyan	17 (7 Shevat) 7:00am Morning Minyan 4:30pm FJLC (3rd - 7th) 6:30pm Membership Committee Meeting 7:30pm Evening Minyan	24 (14 Shevat) Erev Tu B'Shevat 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am Gems Program & Adult Education Committee: Movie 4:30pm FJLC (3rd - 7th) 7:00pm Jewish Lifecycles Series: Jewish Child-Rearing Practices 7:30pm Evening Minyan	31 (21 Shevat) 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am Jews & Politics in Europe, US & Israel with Harnet Freidenreich 4:30pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan
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Monday	1 (20 Tevet) Office Closed New Year's Day 8:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	8 (27 Tevet) 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm Executive Committee Meeting	15 (5 Shevat) Office Closed MLK Day 8:00em Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	22 (12 Shevat) 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan 8:00pm Board of Directors Meeting	29 (<i>19 Shevat</i>) 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan
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