

The Publication of Congregation Beth El of Bucks County

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President's Message

Hello,

In the next few weeks we will celebrate the holiday of Shavuot. At this time, the Israelites were given the Ten Commandments and realize they are a free people, and need a formal code of contact with which to start self-governance. We are fortunate that we live in a society that has a set of laws that serve to protect us and grant us the freedom to worship, live and work as we choose. However, society needs people to go beyond simply following the rules; we need to be engaged, caring and compassionate of our fellow human beings. A synagogue is no different. Last month, I introduced several congregants who have shown the will and energy to provide service to our community. This month I would like to recognize a few of the many people who serve our congregation quietly, but without whom, our synagogue would not be what it is.

Beth EI is the only conservative or reform synagogue in Bucks County with a daily morning and evening minyan. This does not happen by chance. Over 50 years ago, Andy Flager, of blessed memory, made a promise to Rabbi Fierverker, z"I, to have a daily minyan so he could say Kaddish for his mother. That promise continues to this day, and now it is our obligation to have a minyan for Andy's family to say Kaddish for him. Andy's presence in keeping the morning minyan alive and possible for all these years is just one example of his service to Beth El. But to keep a ritual consistent for that long takes a village. Amy Kaissar, Marcia Kratz, Brian Levey, and Andy have been the minyan "Captains" who volunteer every week on their assigned days to ensure we have an evening minyan week in and week out. Through friendship, cajoling, new technology and even begging, they work to ensure those that want or need a minyan have one. Yasher koach for this effort.

Almost every time I am in Beth EI, I see Karen Shoemaker. When I asked Rabbi to tell me what Karen does, he smiled and said, I don't have time to tell you all the areas Karen touches. From ensuring lunch on Simchat Torah is how Randy remembers, to being sure that during Pesach our food is kosher L'Pesach. Karen is everywhere all the time. But unless you have been a recipient of her generosity on the chesed committee, or attended Saturday morning services, you may not know her name or her face. We are very blessed to have Karen who does what is needed, without being asked, because it needs to be done. For all those you have given of yourself, thank you.

Lastly, but certainly not least, is Harriet Freidenreich. Harriet is our Gabbai. Sounds like a simple title, but the role of a Gabbai in a synagogue is far from simple. Week after week, Harriet can be found Shabbat morning leading davening, handing out aliyot, ensuring we are reading the right portion, keeping the service going, and many other tasks not seen on Shabbat morning. This has been going on for over 15 years. There have only been a few Gabbaim in our synagogues history, fewer than the number of Rabbi's we have had.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Morning Minyan

 Sunday.......8:00am

 Monday - Friday.......7:00am

Evening Minyan

Monday - Thursday...... 7:30pm

Shabbat Services

Friday 6:00pm Saturday 9:30am

SYNAGOGUE OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday......8:30am - 4:30pm Friday.....8:30am - 2:00pm

BUBBE'S JUDAICA SHOP HOURS

 Sunday
 9:00am - noon

 Wednesday
 10:00am - noon

 Friday
 10:00am - noon

To schedule an appointment, please contact Michelle Flash at michelleflash@me.com

Check out Our Event Calendar http://www.bethelyardley.org/ info/calendar.html

NEXT SHOFAR DEADLINE

Deadline for the July/August Shofar is June 15th

Continued President's Message

I'm not saying the Gabbai is more important than the Rabbi, but finding a good one is not easy, and we have been fortunate to have a good one for many years. Harriet is now retiring, so it's time to pass the torch to the next generation who will be standing to the side of the Torah as its being read and ensuring our service continues smoothly. Thank you for your devotion and service to Beth El.

Harriet isn't the only one passing the torch in this Shofar. On June 15, I will be stepping down as President. It has been my privilege and honor to have served this community the last two years as President. While I take pride in the fact that our synagogue is on solid footing and we have strong leadership to follow, I want to thank the officers and members of the board who have supported me, pushed me and disagreed with me, that helped take us to where we are today. Next year we will celebrate our 65th Anniversary and I look forward to many years of celebrating chagim, weddings and b'nei mitzvot as a community. But also to stand side by side during times of mourning to support one another, because that is what a community does.

May we continue to go from strength to strength.

B'shalom,

Leon



Calling all Beth El Members! Join us for the Annual Congregational Meeting Thursday, June 15th 7:30pm





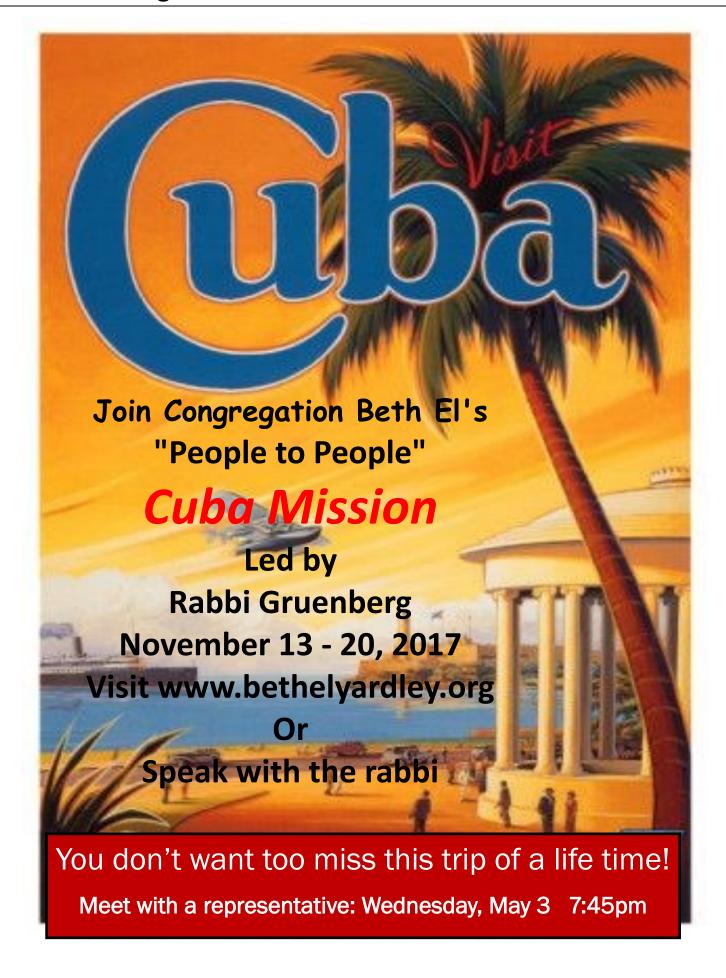
COMMUNITY SHARED AGRICULTURE (CSA) AT BETH EL

BEGINS WEDNESDAY, MAY 3RD PICK UP TIMES 4:30PM - 7:00PM



CSA setup will take place inside the front lobby of the synagogue. Please make alternative arrangements with family or friends to pick up your things on days you cannot arrive on time. All shares not picked up will be promptly donated to the local food pantry. No food will be held after 7PM.

Congregation Beth El of Yardley CSA Pickup Instructions at 375 Stony Hill Road Yardley PA 19067: Host contacts (email preferred) - Anna Kitces akitces@gmail.com 267-229-7487 and Joy Finkel justjoyd@yahoo.com 215-341-1292.



Scenes from FJLC's Pesach Model Seder



Education & Youth

B'nai Mitzvah at Beth El



Sam Bevington, son of Abby and Jack Bevington will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 6, 2017. For Sam's Bar-Mitzvah project, he chose to clean up his local community. Sam has always loved nature and exploring the world around him. He is aware that trash collects in local streams and rivers, creates hazards for wildlife and children, and prevents proper drainage of streets. Thus, Sam decided to help maintain public spaces within Lower Makefield Township. He has raised money for each pound of trash collected and will be purchasing trees to plant in Israel. Sam plans to continue his LMT clean-up long after his 13th birthday.



Sam Sherman, son of Liza and Eric Sherman, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 27, 2017. For his mitzvah project, Sam organized and ran a hat drive to donate caps to pediatric cancer patients at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. In the first leg of his drive, over 180 caps were delivered to the pediatric division of Sloan Kettering on Presidents' Day. In the second leg of the cap drive, Sam is collecting more caps to deliver to CHOP at the end of the month.



Ethan Oring, son of Rachael and Richard Oring will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, June 3, 2017. For his mitzvah project, Ethan collected over 100 pounds of food, toys, beds, treats and so much more for cats and dogs in need for the Trenton Animal Shelter. Ethan is very passionate about making a difference in the lives of dogs and cats who live in animal shelters.





Confirmation Class 2017!

Join us at Beth El on Friday, May 19th at 6pm for Shabbat Services and Confirmation, followed by a celebratory Shabbat dinner. We will have the opportunity to hear from and honor these wonderful teenagers.

Mady Gelb, daughter of Marlyn and David Gelb Ezra Kline, son of Melisande Wolf and John Kline Remi Mitnick, daughter of Melissa and Andrew Mitnick Max Young, son of Lauren and Steven Young

Interested in joining us for Shabbat dinner? \$12/Adult, \$8/Child \$50 maximum/family Contact Karen Lewin, Karen@BethElYardley.org or 215-493-1707 x3 to make a reservation.



Mazel Toy to Our Graduates!

Please join us for Graduation Shabbat on Saturday, June 3^{rd} . Our high school graduates will be honored and receive a gift to send them off to college in the fall from the Eric J. Marinoff Memorial College Outreach Program. A special Kiddush is to follow. We look forward to celebrating this milestone together as a community.

High School Graduates

Gabe Berlin, son of Dalit and Michael Berlin
Cara Figarotta, daughter of David Figarotta
Baird Kline, son of Melisande Wolf and John Kline
Gil Levitan, son of Ruth Rosenberg and Bennett Levitan
Michelle Lieberman, daughter of Robin and Jordan Lieberman
Leo Nye, son of Miriam Chaloff
Courtney Terr, daughter of Robin and Hal Terr
Anna Wachspress, daughter of Debra and Dan Wachspress
Sophie Weber, daughter of Abby and Jon Weber

College Graduates

Jake Bardfeld, son of Penny and Lenny Bardfeld graduating from Cornell University

Aaron Levey, son of Lois and Brian Levey graduating from Emory University

Max Nye, son of Miriam Chaloff graduating from Harvard University

Max Rettig, son of Tina and Michael Rettig graduating from List College and Columbia University

Sam Schachter, son of Phyllis and Larry Schachter graduating from List College

Adam Sokol, son of Debbie and David Sokol graduating from Yale University



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We want to help!

Beth El's Hesed Community is here for you! Each member of Congregation Beth El is a vital part of our caring community. We gladly share in each other's simchas and seek to be supportive of one another when we are experiencing challenges in our lives.

Please let us know if you or someone you know needs assistance. We offer:

*rides to doctor appointments, Shabbat Services, hospital visits, airport & more!

*occasional food shopping *set up for a shiva house

*babysitter referrals *meals

The possibilities are endless!



HESED COMMUNITY IS HERE FOR YOU!

Please reach out for help when needed

Contact:

- *Barbara or Marian in the office; 215-493-1707
- *Barbara Schwartz; barbara@bethelyardley.org
- *Marian Berger; mberger@bethelyardley.org
- *Debbie Wachspress; debwachspress@gmail.com

Men's Club



Join the Men's Club at Beth El For a Paid Up Membership Sunday, May 7 9:00am

Omelets and Bagels made to order by our very own Chef Rich Oring!

FREE

for all paid up members

(\$5.00 for non-members)

*Not a member yet? Sign up for next year and your membership starts TODAY!

Weather permitting:

STICK BALL

10:00am in synagogue parking lot

RSVP Ian Schachter bonnians@verizon.net or 215 - 208 - 9531





Join Rabbi Gruenberg and the Men's Club at Beth El

Thursday, May 11 7:30pm

Join the Men's Club and
Rabbi Gruenberg for
Torah on Tap.
Discuss the weekly Torah
portion while enjoying
some spirits!

For more information,
contact
lan Schachter at
bonnians@verizon.net

Or

215-208-9531

Sisterhood

JOIN SISTERHOOD AND RABBI GRUENBERG
AT OUR NEXT BOOK DISCUSSION

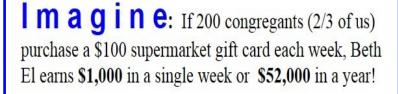
(rescheduled from March 21)
Tuesday, May 16th @7:30/7:45 after minyan



Small Great Things

by Jodi Picoult

With incredible empathy, intelligence, and candor,
Jodi Picoult tackles race, privilege, prejudice, justice, and
compassion—and doesn't offer easy answers. Small Great Things is
a remarkable achievement from a writer at the top of her game.



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YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN SISTERHOOD FOR
OUR CLOSING DINNER
AND A FUN PROGRAM FEATURING

THE WORD MAVENS

TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2017 6:30 PM ALL CONGREGANTS WELCOME!!!

Joyce Eisenberg and Ellen Scolnic are The Word Mavens. These two Philadelphia ladies know the difference between a dreidel and a draykop. They write, speak, blog and tweet about all things Jewish. They are the authors of the Dictionary of Jewish Words and The Whole Spiel: Funny Essays About Digital Nudnicks, Seder Selfies and Chicken Soup Memories.

Come enjoy a delicious meal and a humorous, entertaining evening with Sisterhood and bring your spouses and friends.

More information will follow!





JEWISH MINDFULNESS MEDITATION

Led by Cantor Florence Friedman

June 10

SITTING SESSIONS – 9:30 - 10:30am which include both guided meditations as well as silent sits based on Jewish texts and values. Reflections and discussion by participants often conclude each session.

Sitting sessions and contemplative services are held in the chapel or 2^{nd} floor youth lounge

WHAT IS MEDITATION?

It's a practice. It's about paying attention to what is. It's about living our lives with non-judgment, loving-kindness, compassion, and love. It leads to equanimity, wisdom, and freedom.

ALL ARE WELCOME

and are invited to join the rest of the congregation for the main service and Kiddush.



For more info contact: Cantor Florence Friedman Florenceanne18@gmail.com



Have a Joyful Shavuot!

Shavuot 2017

Shavuot, the feast of weeks, is celebrated seven weeks after the second Passover seder. Although Shavuot began as an ancient grain harvest festival, the holiday has been identified since biblical times with the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai.

Customs we have on Shavuot

To commemorate the giving of the Torah at Sinai there is a tradition of staying up all night studying

Jewish texts in what is called a tikkun. We read the Book of Ruth and traditionally eat dairy foods. Some may decorate their house and the synagogue with a floral theme.



Schedule for Shavuot

Tuesday, May 30

Office closes at 12:00noon Erev Shavuot Shavuot Services 7:30pm

Wednesday, May 31

Office Closed Shavuot Services 9:30am

Thursday, June 1

Office Closed

Shavuot Services with Yizkor 9:30am Havdalah 9:05pm





Cook for a Friend

Sponsor a Kiddush Lunch

Join us in the Beth El kitchen, the first Tuesday of the month.

No experience required.

Come spend an hour or two and help prepare nutritious kosher meals for homebound seniors.

Questions? Contact Beth Sadoff at bjaws999@gmail.com or 215-208-8006









SPONSOR A SHABBAT!

In honor of a birthday, anniversary or any other occasion!

Each Shabbat we have a list of Oneg and Kiddush sponsors included in our Shabbat Flyer. The sponsorship helps to offset the cost of Kosher challah and cakes. The cost is \$18. To sponsor, please contact Carol Benderson - Lighter 215-702-1361 or Marc Shoemaker 215-493-6207.

We are looking for a few good Minyaneers

Congregation Beth El holds both morning and evening minyan services open to our members and friends in the community. We invite you to join us and become a regular volunteer. Take some time from your busy day or week, come to our chapel and pray with friends and neighbors, and be there to support a person saying kaddish or yarhzeit.

It's a mitzvah... It's good for you and it's good for our community.



Morning Services

Monday - Friday at 7:00 AM

Evening Services

Monday - Thursday at 7:30 PM

Sunday Morning Services 8:00 AM

Please give Brian Levey, our Minyan committee leader, a call. Home: 215-321-8670 Cell: 267-250-7526 Email: blevey1000@gmail.com or visit www.bethelyardley.org

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We are excited that Beth El has begun to use Siddur Lev Shalem, the new publication from The Rabbinical Assembly, that reflects the Conservative movement. The Siddur Lev Shalom has all the prayers and psalms from previous Siddurim with commentary, spiritual reflections and historical background for some of the readings. The Siddur Lev Shalom can be used for personal use at home.

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ATTN: Siddur



Mazel Tov to Michael Kaplan and Lisa Tunis on their marriage

Mazel Tov to Michael & Leslie Gross and Family, on Joshua becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Mazel Tov to Alan and Michelle Flash on the marriage of Cara and Marshal

Mazel Tov to The McConnell Family on Lexi becoming a Bat Mitzvah

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Our Community Mourns the Loss of:



Jeffrey Nye, Miriam Chaloff's husband and father of Max and Leo



Kurt Goldschmidt, Marcia Kratz's father, father - in - law to Harry and grandfather to Harrison, Lauren and Jennie

Andy Flager, Renee Flager's husband and longtime Beth El member; father of Randy Flager and Debbie Lipschutz; father - in - law to Sherry Flager and Steve Lipschutz; grandfather to Melissa & Conrad Hough, Adam & Mallory Flager and Jason & Jodi Flager, Bonny, Billy and Dara & James Rahill; great-grandfather to Jordyn, Leah, Adele, Riley and Ayla

Gloria Rosenberg, Irv Rosenberg's mother and longtime

Beth El member

Elizabeth Nigus, May Berger's mother and mother - in - law to Art; grandmother to Michael & Iris; great - grandmother to Samantha and Jonathan



Speedy recovery Renee Flager

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO OUR BETH EL FAMILY



Gregg Narod & Julie Solomon and their children, Mia and Evan

Stephen & Ryta Weiner



ANY CHANGES IN YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER?

Please contact the office 215-493-1707

or email barbara@bethelyardley.org





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The Jewish Federation's food pantry at KleinLife in Northeast Philadelphia is currently seeking volunteers on select Fridays from 10am—1pm as it expands its hours to serve more clients. The Choice Food Pantry at KleinLife features an innovative model where the clients get to choose what food they receive (rather than a pre-packaged box) and use a touchscreen to make their selection. Anyone interested in volunteering can email Jeremy Heller directly at mail@jeremyheller.com.



Cemetery Plots

No one really expects the need of having to buy cemetery plots. It is a wonderful benefit of belonging to Congregation Beth El of Yardley. There is no better time to buy than the present time, before you have the need. We want to help you make the choice before the emotional time after a death. Many Funeral directors encourage the pre-need arrangements of all

of the aspects of the funeral, burial, and monuments.

The Cemetery Committee can offer you the time to select a plot at the cemetery or just by reviewing our plot maps and photographs. King David Memorial Park is located in Bensalem, PA. Beth El has over 400 plots in section R. Effective September 1, 2016 the Board of Directors approved a price increase to \$1800 per plot. This is far below the price for the general public making a request at King David. A Family Gravesite includes four plots and costs \$7200. Sign up now for the reduced prices. These charges are transacted with the synagogue only and you may not deal with King David or other congregants directly for the purchase or sale of any plots in Section R. When a plot is paid in full the owner is granted the rights of sepulcher and these rights are shared with their heirs even if they are not members. Beth El does not sell plots to non-members of the congregation. In the event of an owner moving or not needing their plots, they may return their papers for a refund less 10% of the purchase price. The price of the plot does not include any services, openings, burial, vault, or monument charges.

For more information please call Michael Weinberg, Cemetery Committee Chairman @215-321-1312

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Ideas or submissions for The Shofar?

Email feedback, articles and pictures to: barbara@bethelyardley.org

We make every effort to ensure our information is accurate and up-to-date, please contact the synagogue office, 215-493-1707 x4 or email barbara@bethelyardley.org

If you would like to receive a hard copy of *The Shofar* via regular U.S. mail, do not hesitate to request an issue to be delivered to your door. Simply call the synagogue office,

215-493-1707 x4 or email barbara@bethelyardley.org

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1st Birthday of Eli - Grandson of Janet & Norman Marinoff

Arlene Spevak & Alan Weisgold

Randy Flager's 65th Birthday Janet & Norman Marinoff

Marriage of Cara Flash & Marshal Davis

Sylvia Goldberg

Engagement of Ben Finkel & Jen Lisi

Tina, Michael, Mara & Max Rettig

Engagement of Pam Lubing & Brian Saltzmann

Tina, Michael, Mara & Max Rettig

40th Birthday of Amy & Ken Kaissar

Tina, Michael, Mara & Max Rettig

In Memory of

Kurt Goldschmidt

Barbara Fineman

Michelle, Michael & Jeanette Weinberg

Sara Pollock

Janet & Norman Marinoff

Andy Flager

Barbara Fineman

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Debbie, Steve, Josh & Brittany Lubin

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Michelle, Michael & Jeanette Weinberg

Sara Pollock

Janet & Norman Marinoff

Robyn, Lee, Marc & Elyse Hessberger

Barbara & Steven Saltzmann

Susan, Lewis, Dan & Ben Knopfmacher

Jeffrey Nye

Barbara Fineman

Charlotte & Harold Denenberg

Herb Strauss

Michelle & Michael Weinberg

Janet & Norman Marinoff

Sara Pollock

Gloria Rosenberg

Carol Sohmer

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A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR EXTENDED FAMILY AT BETH EL

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We would like to thank our extended Congregational Family for their love, hugs, prayers and support during this difficult time. We especially want to thank Rabbi Gruenberg and the office staff for their patience and guidance during the past month. Our mother Renee is presently recuperating at the nursing facility at Attleboro. She suffered a traumatic brain injury but loves to have visitors and we hope that in the coming weeks and months she will revert to her prior good health.

We also understand that the death of our dad, Andy, has been a tremendous loss to our community. We would ask that you all recommit to coming and making the morning and evening minyans in his memory. He co-created and spent the next 60 years, nurturing and attending the Beth El minyan which is one of the shining jewels of our shul and a blessing to the entire greater Jewish community.

Thank you for all the stories about our parents and we encourage you to continue to keep our dad's memory alive and our mother's spirits high. It is wonderful being a part of such a wonderful caring shul!

Thank you again,

Sherry & Randy Flager Debbie & Steve Lipschutz



CONGREGATION BETH EL GIFT OPPORTUNITIES

Tree of Life Honor a birthday, anniversary, wedding, Bar/Bat Mitzvah or any other happy occasion with an engraved leaf on our tree of life for \$180 or a boulder for \$750.

Donation Cards Our donation cards are a wonderful way to recognize important life-cycle events, extend wishes for speedy recovery or show your appreciation for someone's kindness and helps fulfill the mitzvah of tzedakah. There are two different cards to choose from - a beautiful Menorah card (\$7) and a colorful picture of three of our Torot (\$18). Your gift can also be designated to one of the following funds:

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Yahrzeit Plagues Among the customs to help us with loss and bereavement is the commemoration of a loved one on a Yahrzeit plaque. These plaques, which are affixed to a special memorial board in our Chapel, are an expression of love and devotion. The plaque will be mounted on our Yahrzeit board in perpetuity. Each year you will receive a notice of the date of the yahrzeit, it will be announced during Shabbat services, and the plaque will be lit in memory of your loved one for a full month. The cost is \$750 for members and \$900 for non-members.

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Meeting about CUBA - Wednesday, May 3 7:45pm

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 5th of Iyar Yom HaZikaron 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	2 6th of Iyar Yom HaAtzma'ut 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	3 7th of lyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - Noon Gift Shop 10:30am Current Events with Rabbi Gruenberg 4:30pm - 6:30pm FJLC 4:30pm - 7:00pm CSA Pick Up 6:30pm - 8:45pm HaMoadon (Hebrew HS) 7:30pm Evening Minyan	48th of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	5 9th of lyar USY SPRING CONVENTION 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - Noon Gift Shop 6:00pm Shabbat Services 7:41pm Candle Lighting	6 10th of Iyar Parashat Acharel Mot - Kedoshim USY SPRING CONVENTION 9:30am Shabbat Morning Services Bar Mitzvah of Sam Bevington 8:42pm Havdalah
7 11th of lyar USY SPRING CONVENTION 8:00am Morning Minyan 9:00am - Noon FJLC 9:00 am - Noon Gift Shop 9:00am - Men's Club Omelets & Stick Ball 12:45 HAZAK - Concert: Keith Spencer	812th of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	913th of Iyar 7:00 Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	1014th of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - Noon Gift Shop 10:30am Current Events with Rabbi Gruenberg 4:30pm - 6:30pm FJLC 4:30pm - 7:00pm CSA Pick Up 6:30pm - 8:45pm HaMoadon (Hebrew HS) 7:30pm Evening Minyan	1115th of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm Torah on Tap at Beth El RSVP for Shabbat lunch on 5/20	1216th of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - Noon Gift Shop 7:47pm Candle Lighting	1317th of Iyar Parashat Emor 9:30am Shabbat Morning Services 10:00am BMU 10:00am Mini Congo 8:48pm Havdalah
14 _{18th} of Iyar Lag B'Omer Mother's Day NO FJLC 8:00am Morning Minyan	1519th of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm Board Meeting	1620th of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 4:00pm Cook for a Friend 7:30pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm Sisterhood Book Discussion	1721st of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - Noon Gift Shop 10:30am Current Events with Rabbi Gruenberg 4:30pm - 6:30pm FJLC 4:30pm - 7:00pm CSA Pick Up 6:30pm - 8:45pm HaMoadon (Hebrew HS) Last Day 7:30pm Evening Minyan	1822nd of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 6:45pm Sisterhood Board Meeting 7:30pm Evening Minyan	1923rd of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00 - Noon Gift Shop 6:00pm Shabbat Services and Confirmation 7:54pm Candle Lighting	2024th of Iyar Parashat Behar- Bechukotal 9:30am Shabbat Morning Services Shabbat Luncheon following services in honor of Harriet Freidenreich 8:55pm Havdalah
2125th of Iyar 8:00am Morning Minyan 9:00am - Noon FJLC (Last day) 9:00am - Noon Gift Shop Last day for RSVP - Share Shabbat	2226th of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	2327th of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	2428th of Iyar Yom Yerushalayim 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - Noon Gift Shop 10:30am Current Events with Rabbi Gruenberg 4:30pm - 7:00pm CSA Pick Up 7:30pm Evening Minyan	2529th of Iyar 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	26 1st of Sivan Rosh Chodesh - Sivan 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - Noon Gift Shop 6:00pm Shabbat Services 8:00pm Candle Lighting	272nd of Sivan Parashat Bamidbar 9:30am Shabbat Morning Services Bar Mitzvah of Seth Sherman 9:01pm Havdalah
283rd of Sivan 8:00am Morning Minyan USY Seashore Dance	294th of Sivan Memorial Day OFFICE CLOSED 8:00am Morning Minyan	305th of Sivan Erev Shavuot OFFICE CLOSES at NOON 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Shavuot Services 8:03 Candle Lighting	316th of Sivan Shavuot Shavuot 1 OFFICE CLOSED 9:30am Shavuot Services			

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				17th of Sivan Shavuot Shavuot II OFFICE CLOSED 9:30am Shavuot Service with Yizkor 9:05 Havdalah	28th of Sivan 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - Noon Gift Shop 6:00pm Shiru La'Adonai Musical Shabbat Services 8:05pm Candle Lighting	39th of Sivan Parashat Naso 9:30am Shabbat Morning Services Graduation Shabbat 6:30pm Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Oring 9:06pm Havdalah
410th of Sivan 8:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - 2:00pm Israel Festival at BCCC	511th of Sivan 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	612th of Sivan 7:00am Morning Minyan 6:30 pm Sisterhood Closing Event— Word Mavens & Dinner 7:30pm Evening Minyan	7 13th of Sivan 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - Noon Gift Shop 10:30am Current Events with Rabbi Gruenberg 4:30pm - 7:00pm CSA Pick Up 7:30pm Evening Minyan	814th of Sivan 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan RSVP for Shabbat Luncheon 6/17	915th of Sivan 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - Noon Gift Shop 6:00pm Shabbat Services 6:45pm Share Shabbat 8:10pm Candle Lighting	1016th of Sivan Parashat Beha'alotecha 9:30am Shabbat Morning Services Bar Mitzvah of Jace Freeman 9:30 Jewish Mindfulness Meditation 9:10pm Havdalah
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1824th of Sivan Father's Day 8:00am Morning Minyan	1925th of Sivan 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm Board Meeting	2026th of Sivan 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	2127th of Sivan 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - Noon Gift Shop 10:30am Current Events with Rabbi Gruenberg 4:30pm - 7:00pm CSA Pick Up 7:30pm Evening Minyan	2228th of Sivan 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	2329th of Sivan 7:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am - Noon Gift Shop 6:00pm Shabbat Services 8:14pm Candle Lighting	2430th of Sivan Rosh Chodesh Tammuz Parashat Korach 9:30am Shabbat Morning Services 9:14pm Havdalah
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