

The Shofar



The Publication of Congregation Beth El of Bucks County

November/December

Cheshvan/Kislev 5778



Congregation Beth El is turning 65 years old!

Celebrate with a weekend of festivities
on

April 27 - 29, 2018

Mark your calendars for a weekend you won't want to miss. Activities include a Special Friday Night Shabbat, Luncheon on Saturday, followed by a Sunday evening gala-style dinner with cocktails, food, entertainment and more!

Want to join a planning committee?

Contact:

Penny Bardfeld - pennyandlenny@comcast.net or
Barbara Fineman - bfineman15@verizon.net or

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 HOURS

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

BUBBES' 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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Check out Our Event Calendar
[http://www.bethelyardley.org/
info/calendar.html](http://www.bethelyardley.org/info/calendar.html)

NEXT SHOFAR DEADLINE

Deadline for the
January/February Shofar
is December 11

Happy
Thanksgiving



Light First Candle on Tuesday, December 12th

President's Message

Fall is here, a beautiful season that many of us look forward to each year. The leaves are turning colors, windows in our homes can be opened with the cooler weather, life has resumed as children are busy studying and playing at school, parents are back to work, a new year has begun. From the end of Simchat Torah until Hanukah we will have almost two full months without a Jewish Holiday. That isn't to say we won't have many celebrations in the meantime. We have a special occasion every weekend between the two holidays; there are 7 B'nai Mitzvah, a USY convention, a wedding, Women's League Founders Day and of course Thanksgiving. That means the synagogue dance card is pretty full for the next two months.

Come join in and celebrate together. Whether you haven't been to a bar/bat mitzvah in a while or you just want to reacquaint yourself with our service, these weekends will bring in many people both from within our community and from far away. Each Shabbat our well prepared B'nai Mitzvah students will bring their own flair to services, and while they may be the stars on their Shabbat, Beth El will fall squarely in the spotlight each week as well. We will continue to shine as we play host to two regional United Synagogue events, USY Fall Convention and Women's League Torah Fund Founder's Day. Both events will bring in our fellow Conservative Movement affiliates from around the region as they come to celebrate at Beth El. Our new carpets and freshly painted walls will help us put our best foot forward. Shabbat services over the USY weekend are open to everyone. Please come and experience the energy our young USYers can bring to services.

And finally, as Thanksgiving approaches and the season of Hanukah descends upon us, we will have more to celebrate. It is a time that we can sit back and relax with our families. In some ways it is like a Bar/Bat Mitzvah weekend; we spend a lot of time eating large quantities of food and spending time with family and friends. Enjoy the quality time you will be spending with your family, please remember your Beth El family as well. I hope to see you around the synagogue.



Laurence H. Schachter

Meet Beth El's Committee Chairs

Committee	Chair(s)	Committee	Chair (s)
FJLC	Rachael Oring	Galilee Fund	Michael Rettig
Sisterhood	Gloria Feldman	Scholarship	Steven Lubin
	Deborah Lubin	Hesed	
	Michelle Flash	Social Action	Beth Sadoff
Men's Club	Ian Schachter	Bucks Jewish	Liz Ravitch
Hazak	Barbara Fineman	Community	
	Charlotte Denenberg	Supported	
Religious Activities	Michael Weinberger	Agriculture (CSA)	Anna Kitces
Building and		Cemetery	Michael Weinberg
Grounds	Phil Freidenreich		
Membership	Shari Senior		
	Leon Weissman		
	Stacy Kirsh		
Fundraising	Penny Bardfeld		
Youth	Phyllis Schachter		
Human Resources	Ben Bunin		

Rabbi's Message

The Rhoda and Morris Volk Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund

For many years now the Volk Memorial Scholarship fund named for our dear long-time members Rhoda and Moish, has provided scholarships for those attending Jewish youth and summer programs. After discussion with the family, the fund has now been directed as The Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund. Camp Ramah is the camp of the Conservative Movement, and Morris and Rhoda's Grandson Steven is an alumnus who spent many of his formative years at Camp Ramah in the Poconos.

According to all Jewish population studies, the social and religious connections and foundations made during Jewish summer camp are the strongest and most enduring. We have been blessed at Beth El with an increase in our enrollment at Ramah, so this decision by the Bosk-Volk families comes at a perfect time for our community. I know you join me in thanking Nat and Caren Bosk, as well as their children, Steve and Allison Bosk, and Katie and Marc Maged. Some special thanks go to Rhoda and Morris' great-granddaughter Olivia. Please enjoy the pictures below of Beth El Ramah campers in action.



Rabbi Joshua Gruenberg



Education & Youth

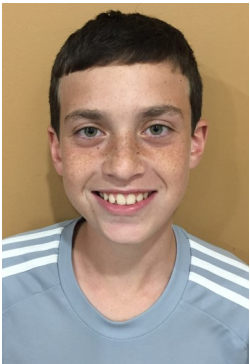
November & December B'nai Mitzvah at Beth El



Leyna Kirsh, daughter of Stacy and Lee Kirsh, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, November 4, 2017. For her mitzvah project she decided to help others that struggle with the higher demands placed on children in schools today. Weekly, she takes time to tutor children in grades kindergarten through sixth grade to help them reach or exceed expectations in order for them to feel successful.



Julia and Josh Flax, daughter and son of Roccio and Warren Flax, will be called to the Torah as Bar and Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, November 11, 2017. For their mitzvah project, Josh and Julia helped to feed and clothe the homeless in Philadelphia during the past year. They appreciate that they live a life where they never have to go to bed hungry or sleep outside in the cold.



Jake Schachter, son of Michelle and Lee Schachter, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, December 2, 2017. For his mitzvah project, Jake has been working with Food Runners of Bucks County. He has been going to many of the restaurants in the area and asking for left over food that they would like to donate to the food pantry. Jake collects the leftover food and brings it to the food pantry.



Arielle Gelb, daughter of Marlyn and David Gelb, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, December 9, 2017. For her mitzvah project, Arielle is volunteering to make and pack meals with her friends from her mother-daughter book club, all of who are becoming a bat mitzvah this year. She will also be helping to collect and organize gifts for children in foster care for the holidays and volunteering at the Abramson Center, where she will be singing and organizing activities for residents.

Education & Youth

**WHO DOESN'T LOVE A FRESH
PRETZEL ON A SUNDAY
AFTERNOON**

FJLC PRETZEL SALE

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5TH

(DURING PICK UP)

1 FOR \$1.00

3 FOR \$2.50



Does a child in your family have
a birthday coming up?

How about dedicating a book to the Beth El library
in honor of your child's birthday?

A book plate with your dedication will be placed in the book.

The book will be shared with your child's class as well as the
Beth El community.

Suggested donation \$18

**Any support is appreciated as it will go towards
educational programs for Pre-K to 7th graders.**

Personalize your dedication & make a payment by going to

<http://www.bethelyardley.org/FJLCdonate>



**Congregation
Beth El**

PRESENTING...

minions congo

an educational and fun Shabbat program
for children pre-K to 5th Grades

Shabbat Prayers & Songs
Engaging Activities
Story Time
Torah Lessons
Oneg Shabbat



A SHABBAT CULTURAL ENRICHMENT EXPERIENCE!
LED BY LIZ RAVITCH IN ROOM 209

10:00 am to 12:00 pm on the following Saturdays
Nov 18 Dec. 16 Jan. 6
Feb. 24 Mar. 17 Apr. 28 May 12

We ask that parents of children pre-K to 2nd grades
accompany their child(ren) to minions congo.

BAR-BAT MITZVAH UNIVERSITY 2017-2018

Preparing Congregation Beth El's 6th & 7th Graders
and their Parents for that Special Simcha!



Sunday Mornings

Four Sunday mornings
this year we will come
together to study and
explore the themes of
Bar/Bat Mitzvah with
Rabbi Gruenberg.

Join us for Brunch &
Learn 10am-12pm

**Dec. 17 Jan. 21
Mar. 18**

Shabbat Mornings

One Shabbat morning a month we will
come together to pray, to learn and to
share. Each Shabbat we will focus on
an important aspect of the Bar/Bat
Mitzvah journey in an effort to create a
meaningful experience for all.

Join us in the Chapel 10am-12pm

Nov. 18 Dec. 16 Jan. 6
Feb. 24 Mar. 17 Apr. 28 May 12

In the 6th & 7th grades, it is strongly recommended that B'nai Mitzvah learners attend Shabbat morning service at least once a month in order to become familiar with the service and gain comfort as both a participant and leader. For more information, contact Karen Lewin, Karen@BethElYardley.org or 215-493-1707 x3.



Comedy Sportz

An improv comedy show in Philly

Saturday, November 11th

Drop off at Beth El Yardsley at 6:15pm

Pick up at 11:00pm

\$25/members, \$30/Non-Members
Plus spending money for an after-show treat!

RSVP and pay online at
bucksyouth.weebly.com/busy by November 5th

Questions? Contact Saul Shaastiel, USY adviser at
smshaastiel@gmail.com



November 17 - 19, 2017



USY

EPA/Hagesher

FALL CONVENTION

Hosted by BUSY at
Congregations Beth El & Brothers of Israel

This will be an amazing weekend of
friendship, fun, and amazing memories!

General Admission \$190.00 10.18-11.8
Transportation will be provided from central locations.

Sign up today by going to
www.regpacks.com/epagesh1718



CHAVERIM GOES BOWLING

BOWLERO
formerly Brunswick Zone

NOVEMBER 12, 2017

2:30 - 4:30 PM

100 E Street Road
Feasterville-Treose,
PA 19053

MEMBERS \$25
NON-MEMBERS \$30

**SNACKS AND
DRINKS
INCLUDED**

RSVP by November 9th at

Bucksouth.weebly.com/chaverim.html



The Combined Chapter of:
Adath Israel, Lawrenceville, NJ
Beth El, Yardley, PA
Brothers of Israel, Newtown, PA
Ohev Shalom, Richboro, PA
Tifereth Israel, Bensalem, PA

Questions? Contact Shara Katlin:
katlinshara93@gmail.com

or 609-468-7364

**BUCKS
COUNTY**



The Combined Chapter of:
Adath Israel, Lawrenceville, NJ
Beth El, Yardley, PA
Brothers of Israel, Newtown, PA
Ohev Shalom, Richboro, PA
Tifereth Israel, Bensalem, PA

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November

Kadima
PRESENTS
**Ultra
Zone**

Lazertag/Pizza Party

6:00-8:00PM

Cost: \$20 Members
\$25 Non-Members
Meet At: 4201 Neshaminy Blvd.,
Ste. #130, Bensalem, PA 19020
Feel free to contact Mike Washerstein
215-499-2845 mwasherstein@gmail.com
RSVP and reserve online at:
bucksouth.weebly.com/Kadima.html

DONATE

Siddur Lev Shalem

For Shabbat & Festivals



The Siddur Lev Shalom has all the prayers and psalms with commentary, spiritual reflections and historical background for some of the readings. The Siddur Lev Shalom can be used for personal.

Honor or remember important people, milestones and celebrations by donating the Lev Shalem Siddurim or the Mahzor Lev Shalem to

Congregation Beth El

DONATE

Mahzor Lev Shalem

Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur



The Mahzor Lev Shalem's running commentary presents both a historical overview and insight into the meaning of prayers. Many readings focus on spiritual issues and tikkun olam, as well as reflections, stories and quotes.

Please consider making a donation to honor or remember someone special in your life. Submit this form to the office.

SIDDUR LEV SHALOM/MAHZOR LEV SHALEM DONATION

Please print legibly:

Donor's name: _____ (how you would want your name to appear on the bookplate)

Phone# _____ Email address: _____

I wish to donate: (check one)

_____ **SIDDUR LEV SHALEM** circle one: **HOME** or **SYNAGOGUE**

_____ # of Siddur x \$54.00(each) = \$ _____

_____ **MAHZOR LEV SHALEM** circle one: **HOME** or **SYNAGOGUE**

_____ # of Mahzor Lev Shalem x \$54.00(each) = \$ _____

***BOOK PLATE DEDICATION INFORMATION:**

In memory of (name) _____

In honor of (name/occasion for honor) _____

*Please use a separate piece of paper for additional book plate dedications.

Please mail your check with this form to: Congregation Beth El 375 Stony Hill Road Yardley, PA 19067
ATTN: Siddur or Mahzor Lev Shalem

Hazak

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KLINGON KLEZMER

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AT BETH EL

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

11:00 AM

PROGRAM & BRUNCH



KLINGON KLEZMER is made up some of Philadelphia's best-known Jazz, Funk and Dixieland musicians. While solidly based in the 500-year-old Klezmer tradition, the group takes the music - and the audience!!--evolving and rocking into the future. Proving that everyone can be uplifted and have a lot of fun at the same time, their concerts typically produce mass dancing in the aisles and occasional departure into orbit.

Members of the ensemble will perform their own amazing brand of klezmer on Sunday, December 3rd 2017. Don't miss this exciting program.

RSVP BY November 24th, 2017

Sara Pollock
21 Tupelo Lane
Langhorne, PA 19047

Cost: Members - \$15.00
Non-members - \$20.00

Check payable to: HAZAK of BETH EL

Name _____ # attending _____

E-mail _____

Phone _____

Minyan

Updating Misheberach List

FREE EVENT AT BETH EL

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

We are updating the Misheberach List

Please contact the office if you need to add a loved one to the list.

Email barbara@bethelyardley.org or call 215-493-1707 x4

***FREE
EVENT
AT
BETH EL***



Beth El's Israel Forum
presents **The Case for Israel**,
a fascinating video with
Alan Dershowitz!

With antisemitism rearing its ugly head, we need to have the means to protect ourselves and our **children**. Please join us for this insightful video and discussion. Have a snack, contribute your ideas, and learn.

Free, with refreshments

Tuesday, November 21, 2017

6:00 p.m.

Congregation Beth El
375 Stony Hill Road
Yardley, PA 19067
RSVP 215-355-7948



Adult Education

BROADEN YOUR HORIZONS

Adult Education

Presented by The Schwarz-Kurz-Zeller
Adult Education Institute

CURRENT EVENTS CLASS

with

RABBI GRUENBERG

EVERY WEDNESDAY

10:30AM

ONEG ROOM



Shabbat Adult Learning Service

*An alternative prayer and learning experience led
by Rabbi Gruenberg and Karen Lewin*

- ★ Learn the "how to's" of praying
- ★ Explore the structure of the service
- ★ Familiarize yourself with the prayers
- ★ Explore the meanings of the prayers

Warm atmosphere and comfortable setting
Interactive Discussions
Open to all adults

Saturday Mornings in the Teen Lounge

10:15am - 11:30am

November 18th, December 16th

January 20th, February 24th, March 17th

April 28th May 12th

Congregation Beth El 375 Stony Hill Road
Yardley, PA 19067

BOOK NOSH

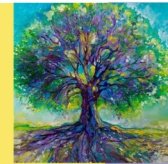
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19 10:30am

Beth El is pleased to announce our new and
different Jewish Book Discussion Group.

Have you read a book that has
Jewish themes, a Jewish author or Jewish
characters? Then this book group for you.
Even if you haven't read anything come join
in the conversation and have a nosh!

RSVP by Nov. 15th to Alexander Geiger

alexandergeiger@aol.com



JEWISH BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Following the death of a loved one,
each of us moves in our own time
and in our own way, through a
process of grief, mourning and
adjustment. But we do not have
to grieve alone...

This is a weekly group in which
members converse openly and
support one another through the
grief process. Open to any Jewish
adult, regardless of affiliation.

Facilitated by Chaplain Beverly
Rubman, MA

"HaMakom yenchaim otach b'toch she'ar
avelei Tzion vi'Yenushalayim"
May G-d console you among the other
mourners of Zion and Jerusalem

WHEN

Beginning November 16
(Six week session)

TIME

10:30 a.m. — noon

WHERE

Congregation Beth El
375 Stony Hill Rd.
Yardley, PA

COST

\$54 for 6 sessions*

ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED
CONTACT BEVERLY RUBMAN AT
beverlyr@jfcsonline.org or
609-987-8100, ext. 151

*Scholarships available

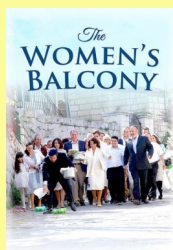


707 Alexander Road, Suite 102
Princeton, NJ 08540
609-987-8100
www.jfcsonline.org



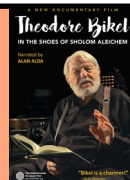
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215-493-1707
www.bethelyardley.org

Adult Education

*The Women's Balcony*

February 10, 2018 7:00 pm

When the women's balcony in an Orthodox synagogue collapses at a Bar Mitzvah, leaving the rabbi's wife in a coma and the rabbi in shock, the congregation falls into crisis.

*Theodore Bikel*
IN THE SHOES OF SHOLOM ALEICHEM

February 17, 2018 7:15 pm

"Portraits of two beloved icons - Shalom Aleichem and Theodore Bikel are woven together in this enchanting new documentary."

*Ahead of Time**The Extraordinary Journey of Ruth Gruber*

March 3, 2018 8:30pm

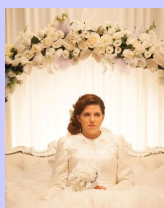
A documentary on the remarkable life of Ruth Gruber. At 97 years old, Brooklyn-born Ruth still has that same intellect and moxie that propelled her to become the world's youngest PhD.

MAKING TROUBLE**Three Generations of Funny Women**

March 10, 2018 8:15 pm



The story of six of the greatest female comic performers of the last century; Molly Picon, Fanny Brice, Sophie Tucker, Joan Rivers, Gilda Radner, and Wendy Wasserstein.

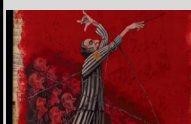
**THE WEDDING PLAN**

March 17, 2018 8:15 pm

30 days, 1 wedding, no groom. A poignant, funny, romantic comedy about love, marriage, and faith in life's infinite possibilities.

DEFIANT REQUIEM

March 24, 2018 8:30pm



Defiant Requiem, the little-known story of the Nazi concentration camp, Terezín. Led by imprisoned conductor, Rafael Schachter & the inmates, fought back with art and music.

NAME _____ PHONE# _____

ADDRESS _____ EMAIL _____

\$36 per person, for the series; \$10 per person/per movie**Includes popcorn, snacks & drinks**

Indicate number of tickets: ____2/10 ____2/17 ____3/3 ____3/10 ____3/17 ____3/24

Total \$_____ check made payable/mail to: Congregation Beth El 375 Stony Hill Road Yardley, PA 19067

Tickets will be at the door the night of the film. **Series must be confirmed by December 1st.**

If you would like to volunteer or have any questions contact: Judy Nussbaum cell# 215 - 431 - 4729

Adult Education

Volunteers Needed *One Book One Jewish Community- Bucks County*

Every year, Jewish Learning Venture selects one significant book for everyone in the Jewish Community to read and discuss. The 2018 One Book One Jewish Community selection is *"And After the Fire"* by Lauren Belfer. It's a book about music, bullying & anti-semitism, and the power of art.

This year, a number of Synagogues in Lower Bucks County will sponsor a community-wide event relating to the book. The event will be held in the spring of 2018 at Congregation Beth El, Yardley.

Our vision is to create a powerful event that opens meaningful conversations across our entire community, from teenagers to adults.

We need volunteers to help develop the program – and then make that vision a reality.

***Program development *Publicity *Event logistics
*Communications**

To volunteer – and help us to shape this important Community-wide conversation – please contact:

Congregation Beth El Office 215 - 493 - 1707





Invite Your Friends...

Latkes & Vodka

Hanukkah Celebration

Saturday Night, Dec. 9th , 8 PM



**Socializing
Music & Dancing
Hors d'oeuvres
Dessert
Latke-Grams
Laughs
Friends
Tzedakah**

100% Fun

Please join us for our annual Latkes & Vodka Hanukkah Celebration. This year's program will build on the wonderful fun from previous years and include music, dancing, plenty of gourmet food, and Latke-Grams!

This is an opportunity for the entire Jewish Community to celebrate together and support those in need. We encourage you to invite your friends from around Bucks County and the local area!

\$50 per adult.

Help us support those in need and be a sponsor at \$118 per person!

For more information contact the Beth El Office.

Register for tickets on the Beth El website. www.bethelyardley.org

Email office@bethelyardley.org for more info.

Your attendance and donations help us support



HomeFront

Helping families break the cycle of poverty

375 Stony Hill Road ☆ Yardley, PA 19067 ☆ 215.493.1707 ☆ www.bethelyardley.org

Men's Club



Join us for a great year!
**Mark these dates on your calendar*

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
Ian Schachter at
bonnians@verizon.net

Or
215-208-9531

Men's Club meets monthly on Thursdays

7:30pm

November 9 - Continental Tavern

December 21 - Beth El

January 18 - Continental Tavern

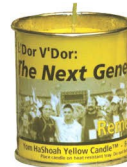
February 15 - Beth El

March 22 - Continental Tavern

April 19 - Rabbi Gruenberg's home

May 3 - Beth El

Sunday, January 14
Poker Night



Sunday, March 25
Yom HaShoah Candle
Packing Program

Sunday, April 22
Yom HaShoah Program

*More information will follow. Please check
www.bethelyardley.org for updates

Get involved.
Join the Men's Club!

For more information contact:
Ian Schachter at
bonnians@verizon.net or call
215-208-9531

Women of Beth El



Mid-Atlantic Region



WOMEN'S LEAGUE FOR CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM

Torah Fund-Founder's Day Event

Ma Tovv!



How Good!

100 Years of Women's League!

75 Years of Torah Fund!

Embrace our past...Enhance our Present...Envision our Future!

Sunday, November 12, 2017

11:15AM

Congregation Beth El

375 Stony Hill Road,

Yardley, Pennsylvania

Interfaith Marriage: It's a Family Affair

a Panel discussion featuring:

Nancy Fagan, LCSW & MSW, Featured speaker of the Keruv Institute

Rabbi Rachel Kobrin, Rabbi of Adath Jeshurun, Elkins Park, PA

Karen Lewin, M.A., Education Director of Congregation Beth El

Ruth Rosenberg, M.D., Adult and Child Psychiatrist

Moderator Debbi Kaner Goldich, Past International Torah Fund Chair

~~~RAFFLES~~~

For more information contact: Shelley Szwalbenest 215-579-9981 or [sjls@comcast.net](mailto:sjls@comcast.net)

RSVP

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Your check is your RSVP. RSVP date is November 6, 2017. No payment will be accepted at the door.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Sisterhood \_\_\_\_\_

Brunch and Program Included:

\_\_\_\$45.00 per person

\_\_\_\$72.00 Sponsor Level  
(includes 2 raffle tickets)

Make checks payable to:

Mid-Atlantic Region

RSVP date is November 6.

**Marsha Wasserman**

**70 Coriander Drive**

**Lumberton, NJ 08048**

#### Women of Beth El

We are so excited to have you join us for Women's League Torah Fund Event that any Beth El woman that attends, will receive a \$10 stipend towards your admission. Please join us and see how the strength of women united!  
Please pay the full price. You will be reimbursed after the event.

## Special Shabbat Happenings

# Share Shabbat Dinner

We are embarking on our 6<sup>th</sup> season of the Share Shabbat Dinner program. This program has been extremely successful in fulfilling the goal of our Beth El community. This goal was to have members of our congregation meet new people in order to feel a true sense of community within our congregation. There have been numerous friendships formed since the inception of the Share Shabbat program.

The dates for this Share Shabbat season are:

**November 3, 2017, January 26, 2018, March 9, 2018**

**Our culminating Pot Luck dinner is scheduled for June 1, 2018**

We look forward to another successful Share Shabbat Dinner season and hope you will be able to join us!

Barbara Melmed, Susan Strouse, Cara Weissman  
Share Shabbat Dinner Committee





## Special Shabbat Happenings at Beth El: ALL ARE WELCOME!



Join us for community - wide Shabbat Luncheons  
Following Shabbat Morning Services

November 18

December 16

January 6

February 24

March 17

April 28

May 19

Join Congregation Beth El  
on Friday, January 5 6:00pm  
for an awesome Shabbat!

a Prayerful, Joyful,  
Musical, Moving, Spiritual  
Shabbat Experience!

Following services we will have a *Pot Luck Dinner*  
Please bring a dairy/vegetarian main course, side  
dish or salad to serve at least  
8 - 10 people to enjoy!  
Beth El will provide the dessert!

Shiru  
La' Adonai

Mark these dates on your calendar!

March 2

May 4

### SPONSOR A SHABBAT

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



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Contemporary International Jewish Short Films followed by facilitated conversation and discussions.

Eight films will be shown at each location, with a 10 minute intermission.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5 - 4:00PM - 7:00PM**

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**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12 - 6:00PM - 9:00PM**

ACME SCREENING ROOM/LAMBERTVILLE, NJ

The Man Who Shot Hollywood USA/2015/12 minutes

Ave Maria USA/Israel/2015/15 minutes

Torah Treasures and Curious Trash Israel/2015/25 minutes

Remember At'alle Israel/2013/8 minutes

The Tribe USA/2006/18 minutes

Salomea's Nose USA/2014/22 minutes

Two Landscapes USA/2015/3minutes

Gefilte Fish Israel/2008/21 minutes

To make a reservation, contact Eve Berger, [evebjc@gmail.com](mailto:evebjc@gmail.com).

Please indicate the number in the party, date and location.

### **Dialogue on Race: Courageous Conversations in a Time of Division**

**Sunday, November 19, 2017**

**Time: 1:30 - 3:30pm**

**At Congregation Beth El**

**375 Stony Hill Road, Yardley**

**In partnership with First Baptist Church of Langhorne**



**This is a Free Event!**

Participants will engage in difficult conversations in a safe and nurturing environment. We will explore our biases and assumptions and brainstorm how to address hatred and bigotry in our community.

**To register: [www.thepeacecenter.org](http://www.thepeacecenter.org) 215-750-7220**

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**Facilitators:**

**Gayle Evans**

**Barbara Simmons**

## Community Events

### Sharim v'Sharot's 11th Choral Festival - A Free Concert

The Sharim v'Sharot (People of Song) Foundation, under the leadership of Dr. Elayne Robinson Grossman, will present the 11th Sharim v'Sharot Choral Festival with choirs from New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The event will take place on November 12, 2017 at the Burlington County Library, 5 Pioneer Boulevard in Westampton, New Jersey at 2pm. Admission is free.

Returning Scholar-in-Residence, Cantor-Maestro David Tilman, will present "The Life and Jewish Works of Leonard Bernstein - Part II" along with a recap of Part I, which was presented with great acclaim last season at the beginning of Bernstein's centennial birth year. Leonard Bernstein employed Jewish musical materials in twenty of his works. You don't have to be Jewish to love Lenny!

For information, visit [www.sharimvsharot.org](http://www.sharimvsharot.org), or email, [sharimvsharot@gmail.com](mailto:sharimvsharot@gmail.com) or contact, Dr. Elayne Robinson Grossman, Conductor and Music Director Sharim v'Sharot: People of Song Sharim v'Sharot Foundation.



### Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia's 2017 Fall Phone-a-Thons

With just a few hours of your time, *you* can impact those in need in our communities locally, in Israel and around the world. Join us at our Fall phone-a-thons:

**November 6, 2017 | 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

Beth El Yardley, 375 Stony Hill Road, Yardley, PA 19067

**December 4, 2017 | 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

Jewish Community Services Building  
2100 Arch Street, Philadelphia PA 19103

**For more information and to register:**

**[jewishphilly.org/phoneathon](http://jewishphilly.org/phoneathon)**

**Questions: [aclements@jewishphilly.org](mailto:aclements@jewishphilly.org) or 215.832.0517**



*Save the date for our largest phone-a-thon of the year,  
Super Sunday - Sunday, February 11, 2018*



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## Social Action Opportunities

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### COOK FOR A FRIEND

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7**

**4:00pm**

**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.**



*Meals prepared at Beth El on October 17th.  
Be a part of this great mitzvah!*

**Dec. 5 Jan. 9 Feb. 6 Mar. 6**

**Questions? Contact Beth Sadoff at  
[bjaws999@gmail.com](mailto:bjaws999@gmail.com) or  
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### **American Friends of Kaplan Medical Center**

#### **"HEART & SOLE" CAMPAIGN**

The American Friends of Kaplan Medical Center was incorporated in 2008 as a not-for-profit 501(c)(3). It is running a "Brick-by-Brick" campaign to raise \$15 million, over the next two years, for this new high-tech cardiac center costing \$45 million. Citizens of the State of Israel will match each U.S. dollar with two of their own – more than enough to cover the cost. Construction will begin in 2018, and Israel needs our help! In addition to major fund-raising efforts, the AFKMC is launching the "Heart and Sole" Campaign at the grass roots level to involve donors and create awareness of KMC. "Gently worn" shoes collected will be recycled to more than 50 countries overseas. In return, based upon the total weight of shoes collected, the AFKMC will receive a check from the recycling agency, located in Bensalem, PA.

**All proceeds go directly to the  
"Brick-by-Brick" fund.**

By contributing to this effort, community members perform a "triple" Mitzvah: money is donated to the Kaplan Medical Center project – a less fortunate individual receives the recycled shoes – and recycling the shoes is eco-friendly.

For more information contact Lou Balcher [lbalcher@afkmc.com](mailto:lbalcher@afkmc.com)



## BETH EL COMMUNITY CARES



Welcome new members to our Beth El Family!

Lou & Jocelyne Balcher

Mallory & Adam Flager

Cara & Marshal Davis & daughter, Maya Davis

Albert & Laurie Kleinhaus

Joshua & Amy Laff & their children, Haylie & Jared

Gerald Pollack

Lynn Schwartz & Perry Stein

### A SPECIAL THANK YOU...

from David Kleinman  
High Holiday Greeter & Usher Volunteer  
Coordinator

Thank you to all those who served as greeters and ushers during the High Holydays. Your participation helped us provide a meaningful and inclusive service to all of our congregants and guests. To those of you who were unable to volunteer we hope that you will consider volunteering next year.

### THANK YOU TO...

Diane Axelrod and Iris Fenster for helping to tray all the cakes for the High Holidays.

Juliette Harvey and Barbara and Marc Melmed for polishing the Torah silver.

Karen and Marc Shoemaker for preparing the cakes for Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah.

Norma and John, Beth El's amazing custodial staff for helping to make the building look fabulous for the High Holidays and through out the year.



### Thank you from Phil and Harriet Freidenreich

Harriet and I are very grateful for all of the memories of my mother Vickie Zagorin that were shared with us and for all of your kind and thoughtful expressions of sympathy. We are especially thankful to everyone who made sure that there was a minyan every morning and evening during shiva. We feel very fortunate to belong to such a caring community.



Mazel Tov to Bonnie and Ian Schachter & Family on the occasion of Aaron becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Mazel Tov to Stacye and Joseph Freed & Family on the occasion of Jared becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Mazel Tov to Jeffrey & Randi Forman on the occasion of Reed becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Mazel Tov to Bonnie Abrams on the engagement of her son, Jason Abrams to Erica Soltoff

Mazel Tov to Jean Snyder on the engagement of her grandson, Jason Abrams to Eric Soltoff

Mazel Tov to Bruce Snyder on the engagement of his nephew, Jason Abrams to Erica Soltoff

### Our Community Mourns the Loss of:



Vickie Zagorin, mother of Phil Freidenreich,  
and mother-in-law to Harriet



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## **Cemetery Plot**



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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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](mailto:mail@jeremyheller.com).



### **Ideas or submissions for The Shofar?**

Email feedback, articles and pictures to:  
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**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.**

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| <b>516th of Heshvan</b><br><b>Daylight Saving Time Ends</b><br>8:00am Morning Minyan<br>9:00am - Noon FJLC<br>(PreK - 7th)<br>9:00am - Noon Gift Shop<br>open<br>9:15am FJLC Board Meeting<br>11:00am FJLC PTO Meeting                                                                                   | <b>617th of Heshvan</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>6:00pm - 9:00pm<br>BCJC Mini Federation<br>Phone - A - Thon<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan<br>7:30pm Executive Board<br>Meeting | <b>718th of Heshvan</b><br><b>Election Day</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>4:00pm Cook for a Friend<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan | <b>819th of Heshvan</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00am - Noon Gift Shop<br>open<br>10:30am - Current Events w/<br>Rabbi Gruenberg<br>4:30pm - 6:30pm FJLC<br>(3rd - 7th)<br>6:30pm - 8:45pm HaMoadon<br>Hebrew High<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan          | <b>920th of Heshvan</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan<br>7:30pm Mens' Club<br>Torah on Tap at<br>Continental<br>Tavern | <b>1021st of Heshvan</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00am - Noon Gift Shop<br>open<br>4:28pm Candle Lighting<br>6:00pm Shabbat Services                                                        | <b>1122nd of Heshvan</b><br><b>Parashat Chaye Sara</b><br>9:30am Shabbat Morning<br>Services with B'nai<br>Mitzvah of Julia &<br>Joshua Flax<br>5:27pm Havdalah                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>1223rd of Heshvan</b><br>8:00am Morning Minyan<br>9:00am - Noon FJLC<br>(PreK - 7th)<br>9:00am - Noon Gift Shop<br>open<br>11:15am - 3:15pm<br>Mid Atlantic Region Torah<br>Fund Founders Day                                                                                                         | <b>1324th of Heshvan</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                                                                                                    | <b>1425th of Heshvan</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                                                   | <b>1526th of Heshvan</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00am - Noon Gift Shop<br>open<br>10:30am Current Events w/<br>Rabbi Gruenberg<br>4:30pm - 6:30pm FJLC<br>(3rd - 7th)<br>6:30pm - 8:45pm HaMoadon<br>Hebrew High<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan           | <b>1627th of Heshvan</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:30am - Noon<br>Jewish Bereavement Group<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                   | <b>1728th of Heshvan</b><br><b>EPA Hagesher USY</b><br><b>Fall Convention</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00am - Noon Gift Shop<br>open<br>4:22pm - Candle Lighting<br>6:00pm Shabbat Services | <b>1829th of Heshvan</b><br><b>EPA Hagesher USY</b><br><b>Fall Convention</b><br><b>Parashat Toldot</b><br>9:30am Shabbat Morning<br>Services with Shabbat<br>Luncheon<br>10:00am BMU<br>10:00am Minions Congo<br>10:15am - 11:30am<br>Shabbat Adult Learning<br>Class w/Karen & Rabbi<br>5:21pm Havdalah |
| <b>191st of Kislev</b><br><b>EPA Hagesher USY</b><br><b>Fall Convention</b><br><b>Rosh Chodesh Kislev</b><br>8:00am Morning Minyan<br>9:00am - Noon FJLC<br>(PreK - 7th)<br>9:00am - Noon Gift Shop<br>10:30am - Noon Book Nosh<br>1:30pm Peace Center<br>Program<br>2:30pm - 4:30pm Chaverim<br>Bowling | <b>202nd of Kislev</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan<br>7:30pm Board Meeting                                                                              | <b>213rd of Kislev</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                                                     | <b>224th of Kislev</b><br>OFFICE CLOSURES AT NOON<br>No FJLC<br>No HaMoadon<br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00am - Noon Gift Shop<br>open<br>10:30am - Current Events w/<br>Rabbi Gruenberg<br>6:00pm - 8:00pm Kadima<br>Lazer Tag<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan | <b>235th of Kislev</b><br><b>THANKSGIVING DAY</b><br><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b><br>8:00am Morning Minyan                                         | <b>246th of Kislev</b><br><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b><br>Gift Shop Closed<br>8:00am Morning Minyan<br>4:18pm Candle Lighting<br>6:00pm Shabbat Services                                                  | <b>257th of Kislev</b><br><b>Parashat Vayetzel</b><br>9:30am Shabbat Morning<br>Services<br>5:17pm Havdalah                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>268th of Kislev</b><br><b>Gift Shop Closed</b><br><b>No FJLC</b><br>8:00am Morning Minyan                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>279th of Kislev</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                                                                                                      | <b>2810th of Kislev</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                                                    | <b>2911th of Kislev</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00am - Noon Gift Shop<br>open<br>10:30am - Current Events w/<br>Rabbi Gruenberg<br>4:30pm - 6:30pm FJLC<br>(3rd - 7th)<br>6:30pm - 8:45pm HaMoadon<br>Hebrew High<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan          | <b>3012th of Kislev</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:30am - Noon<br>Jewish Bereavement Group<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |



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| <b>315th of Kislev</b><br>8:00am Morning Minyan<br>9:00am - Noon FJLC (PreK - 7th)<br>9:00am - Noon Gift Shop open<br>9:15am FJLC Board Meeting<br>10:15am Hazak Program<br>11:00am FJLC PTO Meeting | <b>416th of Kislev</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan<br>7:30pm Executive Board Meeting                                                  | <b>517th of Kislev</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>4:00pm Cook for a Friend<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                              | <b>618th of Kislev</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00am - Noon Gift Shop Open<br>10:30am Current Events with Rabbi Gruenberg<br>4:30pm - 6:30pm FJLC (3rd - 7th)<br>6:30pm - 8:45pm HaMoadon Hebrew High School                                                         | <b>719th of Kislev</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:30am - Noon Jewish Bereavement Group<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                                                           | <b>820th of Kislev</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00am - Noon Gift Shop Open<br>4:15pm Candle Lighting<br>6:00pm Shabbat Services                                                              | <b>921st of Kislev</b><br><b>Parashat Vayeshev</b><br>9:30am Shabbat Services with Bat Mitzvah of Arielle Gelb<br>5:15 Havdalah<br>8:00pm Latkes & Vodka                                                                                       |
| <b>1022nd of Kislev</b><br>8:00am Morning Minyan<br>9:00am - Noon Gift Shop Open<br>9:00am - Noon FJLC (PreK - 7th)<br>10:30am - Noon Book Nosh                                                      | <b>1123rd of Kislev</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                                                                                   | <b>1224th of Kislev</b><br><b>Chanukah 1 Candle</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                             | <b>1325th of Kislev</b><br><b>Chanukah Begins</b><br><b>Chanukah 2 Candles</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00am - Noon Gift Shop Open<br>10:30am Current Events with Rabbi Gruenberg<br>4:30pm - 6:30pm FJLC (3rd - 7th)<br>6:30pm - 8:45pm HaMoadon Hebrew High School | <b>1426th of Kislev</b><br><b>Chanukah 3 Candles</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:30am - Noon Jewish Bereavement Group<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                             | <b>1527th of Kislev</b><br><b>Chanukah 4 Candles</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00am - Noon Gift Shop Open<br>4:16pm Candle Lighting<br>6:00pm Kid-ish Club Shabbat<br>6:00pm Shabbat Services | <b>1628th of Kislev</b><br><b>Chanukah 5 Candles</b><br><b>Parashat Miketz</b><br>9:30am Shabbat Services with Shabbat Luncheon<br>10:00am BMU<br>10:00am Minions Congo<br>10:15am - 11:30am Adult Learning with Rabbi Gruenberg & Karen Lewin |
| <b>1729th of Kislev</b><br><b>Chanukah 6 Candles</b><br>8:00am Morning Minyan<br>9:00am - Noon Gift Shop Open<br>9:00am - Noon FJLC (PreK - 7th)<br>10:00am BMU<br>10:00am FJLC Chanukah Program     | <b>1830th of Kislev</b><br><b>Chanukah 7 Candles</b><br><b>Rosh Chodesh Tevet</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan<br>7:30pm Board Meeting | <b>191st of Tevet</b><br><b>Chanukah 8 Candles</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                              | <b>202nd of Tevet</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00am - Noon Gift Shop Open<br>10:30am Current Events with Rabbi Gruenberg<br>4:30am - 6:30pm FJLC (3rd - 7th)<br>6:30pm - 8:45pm HaMoadon Hebrew High School<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan                                 | <b>213rd of Tevet</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:30am - Noon Jewish Bereavement Group<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan<br>7:30pm Men's Club Torah on Tap                          | <b>224th of Tevet</b><br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00am - Noon Gift Shop Open<br>4:19pm Candle Lighting<br>6:00pm Shabbat Services                                                               | <b>235th of Tevet</b><br><b>Parashat Vayigash</b><br>9:30am Shabbat Services<br>5:20pm Havdalah                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>246th of Tevet</b><br>GIFT SHOP CLOSED<br>8:00am Morning Minyan<br>NO FJLC<br>USY International Convention                                                                                        | <b>257th of Tevet</b><br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>8:00am Morning Minyan<br>USY International Convention                                                             | <b>268th of Tevet</b><br>OFFICE CLOSING AT NOON<br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan<br>USY International Convention | <b>279th of Tevet</b><br>OFFICE CLOSING AT NOON<br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>Gift Shop Closed<br>NO Current Events<br>NO FJLC<br>NO HaMoadon<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan<br>USY International Convention                                                                       | <b>2810th of Tevet</b><br>OFFICE CLOSING AT NOON<br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:30am - Noon Jewish Bereavement Group<br>7:30pm Evening Minyan<br>USY International Convention | <b>2911th of Tevet</b><br>OFFICE CLOSING AT NOON<br>7:00am Morning Minyan<br>10:00 - Noon Gift Shop Open<br>4:24pm Candle Lighting<br>6:00pm Shabbat Services                                      | <b>3012th of Tevet</b><br><b>Parashat Vayechi</b><br>9:30am Shabbat Services<br>5:25pm Havdalah                                                                                                                                                |
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