

The Shofar



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GPMB Members up for re-election this year.

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Summer Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8:30am - 3:00pm
 Tuesdays: Remote Office (leave phone message or email
 barbara@bethelyardley.org)
 Friday: 8:30am - 12:00pm

Schedule of Services

Monday - Friday

Morning Minyan 7:00am & 8:00am
 on secular holidays
 (in person only)

Monday - Thursday

Evening Minyan 7:30pm
 (virtual only)

Friday Evening Services

6:00pm (in person & virtual)

Saturday Morning Services

9:30am (in person & virtual)

Sunday Minyan

Morning Minyan 8:00am
 & secular holidays
 (in person only)

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www.bethelyardley.org

You may pay bills and make donations on the website. Log in to your member portal. Login box is in the upper right-hand corner; use your email and create your own password.



Reset the mi she'beirah list

(list of our loved ones in need of healing)

January 1 April 1 October 4 July 1

The list will be cleared and compiled anew to reflect more recent changes. Email barbara@bethelyardley.org or call 215-493-1707 x4, prior to the reset date.

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.



Standing in the Beth El section of King David Cemetery looking at the gravestones around me, it struck me how many names I didn't know, even though I have been a member for 22 years. It was then that the longevity of our community became clear to me. 22 years is just a fraction of how long Beth El has been a congregation. Next year we will celebrate our 70th anniversary. Almost three quarters of a century! We've been through a lot of changes...from our building in Levittown, to being a synagogue without walls briefly, to our small building in our current location, to the addition we put on in 2009. I'm so proud of this community and how far we've come. Even when the world was thrusting challenges upon us these past few years, we adapted.

Now, as both of my daughters (who I remember just yesterday getting up on the bimah to lead services at their B'nai Mitzvah) prepare to go off into the world, I'm reminded of how important it is to keep moving forward. Sara is off to the University of Maryland to get her Masters in Atmospheric and Oceanic Science, and Lena is moving to Boston for an Americorp job teaching high school math. They are both understandably nervous... this will be the first time Sara is leaving the state for college, after finishing her undergraduate degree at Temple. Lena will be moving to a new city for a new job and will be supporting herself for the first time. They both know that, even if transitions are scary, if you have a community of people to support you like we have had through this synagogue for 22 years, there are no places you cannot go.

As you all know, Beth El is also going through another transition this summer. We bid farewell to Rabbi Weiss and her family, and we welcome Rabbi Cantor and his. We had a wonderful turnout on June 4th for the service when we were able to celebrate Rabbi Weiss' time with us. Over the next few months, we are planning many opportunities to meet Rabbi Cantor, from Parlor meetings to informal gatherings to an extended Kiddush on July 9th. Please also save the weekend of November 11-13 for Rabbi Cantor's Installation weekend. While things may seem uncertain right now, we are a strong community and we have been through a Rabbinic transition before.

Whether it is from Levittown to Yardley, Philadelphia to Maryland, or from Long Beach to Yardley, the communities we build stand behind us and help us take the journeys we need to take. I urge you all to take a leap this summer, no matter what form that takes for you. Go somewhere you've always wanted to go, start that exercise routine, learn to cook the Shabbat meal you've always wanted to. Now that the world has opened up to us a bit more, we should take advantage of all that it has to offer. I have full faith that we can handle all of the personal and communal transitions to come. Here's to another 70 plus years!!

Elizabeth Ravitch
President
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Save the Dates!

**Rabbi Cantor Installation Weekend
November 11 - 13, 2022**

Please read updated information about sending donation cards on page 39.



Sometimes people can be reluctant to reach out to the rabbi. “They must be so busy,” the person reasons, and they put off making contact for fear of wasting the rabbi’s time.

More than once I have called up a congregant only to learn that they had been intending to ask me a question, but had put it off for this very reason.

So, I want to tell you a short story, glean from it a theory, and share my understanding of our relationship.

THE STORY

One year the local rabbi gave a talk on Jeremiah. It was brilliant, and I was truly impressed by the rabbi’s depth of knowledge and keenness of insight about the prophet. When I asked them, the rabbi informed me that they had been working for some time on a book, but that it would never be finished. The reason? Every time they sat down to work on it, a congregant interrupted them with a call or a question.

THE THEORY

Once upon a time, before there were Jewish Studies departments at local universities, the only way for someone interested in Jewish learning to study the Tradition was to enroll in rabbinical school. For these rabbis, unless they were brilliant enough to secure a teaching position at a seminary, their only path of employment was the congregational rabbinate.

(I remember reading a humorous book about how to present oneself as a rabbi: “Before responding to a question, be sure to pause and sigh, as if the entire weight of the world is pressing down upon yourself: make sure that the questioner knows that you are probably too busy to answer.”)

OUR RELATIONSHIP

While it is true (spoiler alert) that I applied to rabbinical school because I wanted to learn more about and become proficient in our Tradition, something happened during my first year at seminary: I fell in love with the Jewish people. I discovered two things: (1) I was pretty good at this “Jewish Stuff” and (2) I was very good at listening. As much as I might have been interested in what any particular Jewish text might have to say, I was much more interested in what any person might have to say.

So let me be clear: I will never be too busy for you to reach out to me. Sometimes, I might not be available at that exact moment, or I might have to let the call go to voicemail, but I am never too busy to schedule a conversation for a mutually-convenient time or return a phone call.

You have invited me to be your rabbi: being there for you is my highest priority. Please don’t hesitate to reach out to me – if I’m “too busy” in the moment, I will get back to you as soon as I am able.

My plan this year is to try to reach out to every congregant, contacting you on birthdays and anniversaries and yahrzeits. In addition, I am hoping to set up parlor meetings and one-on-one visits. If you are interested in subverting this process by reaching out to contact me first, I am available to meet you in my office, the local diner, a coffee shop, and even your home (yes, I will eat off of your dishes).

I’m looking forward to getting to know you.



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FEVERKER JEWISH LEARNING COMMUNITY



A Year in Review

Thank you for sharing
your children with us.



Shari Sabath

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Elizabeth Ravitch, President



Hi everyone. My name is Liz Ravitch and I am thrilled and honored to be serving as Beth El's President again this year after completing two years as Co-President with Larry Schachter and last year as a solo-president. I grew up in Yardley and was a member of Tifereth Israel in Bensalem. I went to elementary school at Edgewood and graduated high school from Akiba Hebrew Academy in Merion. I spent my summers at Camp Ramah in the Poconos through middle school, and then returned as a staff member for two summers after High School. I attended the University of Rochester and graduated with BA in Psychology. I then returned to Philadelphia to attend Hahnemann University where I received my Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology in 1995. After working in private practice for 10 years, I chose to "retire" so that I could raise my children, Sara and Lena, who are now 22. I worked part time at Lower Bucks Pediatrics from 2006 - 2017. I am currently the Director at Kol Emet Preschool. I have been a member of Beth El for 22 years, have served on the Board for most of those years and have participated in many committees. I have also led Tot Shabbat/Mini Congo on Shabbat mornings for many years. I look forward to getting to know all of you as we continue to transition back to in-person services and events. Please reach out to me if there is anything I can do to help you love Beth El as much as my children and I do!

Mindy Albuck, 1st Vice President



Mindy and her husband, Rick, joined Beth El in 2005, enrolling their older son, Aaron, in Hebrew School and younger son, Harris, in Pre-School. Mindy says the Beth El community offered much more than they expected, they made close friends, had Bar Mitzvahs/Confirmations, and became fully immersed in Jewish living. With guidance from Beth El friends and leadership, she watched her boys attend Ramah, summers in Israel and establish leadership roles in USY at the chapter, regional and international levels.

This is Mindy's second year as vice president. Mindy also serves on our Youth Commission for Bucks County. This past year she served as a Rabbinic Search Co-Chair seeking and successfully finding a new spiritual leader for our community.

Working for a Chicago based firm, Mindy is a Principal in the US Healthcare practice, and will start a new role as Team Lead in the coming months. Her strongest areas of focus are client relationships, coaching a diverse team and turning complexity into simplicity.

Jen Goldstein, Board Member



David, Benjamin & I joined Beth El in 2015. I quickly became involved with FJLC as being part of the PTO. I have served on the board along with the Rabbinical Search Committee this past year. Benjamin was Bar Mitzvah March 2021 and is currently attending HaMoadon.

I am originally from Union County NJ and David from Montgomery County, PA. When we got engaged, I said OK I will move to PA but Yardley is the furthest place I'd go (being a true Jersey Girl, I couldn't be more than 1 hour from the beach). Yardley is where we made our home and we couldn't be happier. Benjamin is 14 and will be in High School next year and keeps us busy!

We are an avid sports family...I crossed over to a Philadelphia sports fan (its hard not to be living in my house). We attend many sporting events. Not only professional but Benjamin's games too! I also help Benjamin manage his YouTube, sports blog, & website www.PhillySportsReports.com. I love the beach and find it my most relaxing spot.

Most recently I had a career change after being in the retail world for almost 30 years. I am now working for a motor coach tour company. Change is good!

Phil Freidenreich, Past President, Chair of the Building & Grounds and Security Committees, Member of the Religious Activities Committee, and Ba'al Koreh



Harriet and I have been members of Beth El since we moved to the community in 1978. We grew up in Conservative synagogues, Harriet in Ottawa, Canada; I, in Highland Park, NJ. Our parents were very active in their respective Jewish communities. We both attended Jewish elementary day schools. Harriet and I met at International House in New York when we were both studying for our PhDs. Our sons David and Aron celebrated their Bar Mitzvah at Beth El.

I was President of Beth El for a total of seven years (1994-1999 and 2001-2003). During my first term the Perez (school) Wing was built and the congregation moved from Levittown to Lower Makefield. I distinctly remember with great joy the day we marched from Levittown to Yardley carrying our Torot. I also remember how our community held together for the High Holiday services immediately after 9-11.

As a Past President, I have remained very active in the synagogue. I have served on a total of five Rabbinical Search committees, co-chaired multiple Capital Campaign committees, and served as Hazzan Sheni for the High Holidays for over 40 years.

Since the tragic death of Andy Flager (z"l), I have become responsible for morning minyan Sunday through Friday. In-person minyan resumed in late July 2021. I am very grateful to the 28 individuals, members and non-members, who attend on a regular basis. Due to their support Beth El has succeeded in having a minyan every morning except twice. Anyone is welcome to join us for a "super sumptuous" breakfast and, of course, the bar is definitely open.

I am looking forward with great anticipation to working with Rabbi Cantor and to assisting Rabbi and Kedma in making their integration in the Beth El community a resounding success.

I am very grateful to all of the members of the Beth El community who have supported the congregation throughout the years, in good times and in bad, and to all those who stepped forward to assume leadership roles. Congregation Beth El is a very important part of our lives and we hope that it will continue to thrive.

Robyn Hessberger, Treasurer



My family moved to Yardley 25 years ago and joined Congregation Beth El shortly after. The congregation's friendly and welcoming environment was a big part of our decision to join. My husband Lee, son Marc and daughter Elyse have enjoyed many happy occasions at Beth El.

My husband and I have both been very involved. Lee had served as Treasurer for many years and Men's Club president. I was a co-chair of the membership committee and spent several years directing Beth El's then preschool.

I am a Certified Public Accountant and the Assistant Business Administrator of a public school district in New Jersey. I look forward to serving as your Treasurer.

Lee Kirsh, 2nd Vice President & Fundraising



My name is Lee Kirsh and I am currently a Vice President of Congregation Beth El. My wife, Stacy, and I are native to Lower Bucks County and live in Langhorne. We have three children – Dora (20), Leyna (17), and Eli (13) – and were so happy to celebrate their bar/bat mitzvahs with the Beth El community. We've been members since 2013, following our search for a spiritual home and a place to enroll our children in religious school. Upon setting foot in the Shul, we immediately felt the warmth and embrace of the community and knew we belonged. Being active at Beth El is fulfilling to me and sets a good example for our children.

Judaism has played a big role throughout my life. My Grandparents were survivors of the Shoah and taught me life lessons I carry with me every day. As a child, I spent my summers at the JCC in Ewing and URJ Camp Harlem in the Poconos and I was very active in synagogue youth programs. I was excited to see my children get involved in USY and spend their Summers at Camp Ramah in the Poconos.

I am Managing Partner of Advantage Insurance, an independent agency in Langhorne, where I specialize in developing business and personal insurance solutions for my clients. I enjoy competing year-round in roller and ice hockey, bowling in a fundraising league and rooting for my favorite teams – Philadelphia Flyers and Penn State Nittany Lions.

Penny Bardfeld, Board Member & Fundraising



Penny Bardfeld is thrilled to spend another term on the Congregation Beth El Board. Penny and husband Lenny moved from the Princeton area to Yardley with sons Jake (27), Eric (24) and Tyler (22). Penny grew up in Huntingdon Valley and Lenny is from Vineland, NJ and both grew up at conservative synagogues.

Penny is a Registered Dietitian and Group Fitness Instructor. After retiring from a sales career with Nestle Nutrition, she currently teaches fitness classes and provides nutrition consultations. Lenny works for J&J Consumer Products in Skillman, NJ.

Immediately after joining Beth El, Penny became very involved with planning events, joined the board and has been involved with fundraising and planning events ever since.

Penny has made many friends and enjoys their Beth El social life! Penny spends summer weekends in Margate, NJ and enjoys running and spending time with her adorable fluffy furry babies Roscoe and Benny!

Congregation Beth El's website!

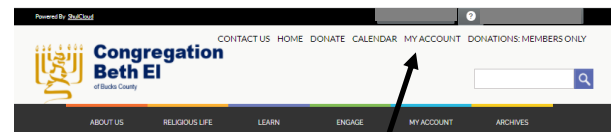
We hope you have had a chance to explore our “new” website and found it user friendly. Please visit www.bethelyardley.org often, as it is constantly being updated with all the information you will need about classes, programs & events. Paying your bills and registering for events are made easy when you log into your member portal.



Welcome to
Beth El
We are so much
more than just a
synagogue -
We are a
community

Login in Here

Use your email and create your own password. If you have two members of the same household on the account, it is encouraged to use separate emails and passwords.



Account Information

Click on MY ACCOUNT to access all your account information.

Henry Cohen: Saturday, July 2, 2022



Henry just completed the seventh grade at Princeton Day School, where his favorite subjects are math and history. He loves playing soccer and specializes in the goalkeeper position. When he is not doing homework, studying for his bar mitzvah, or practicing with his soccer team, Henry enjoys other sports like squash, lacrosse, snowboarding, biking, and swimming. In fact, Henry recently completed biking 40 miles through all five boroughs of New York City with his dad and cousin. Henry likes relaxing at home with his family, playing video games or card games, watching movies, and most of all playing in the backyard with his dog, Kenobi.

Henry wanted to do a *mitzvah* project that would help the environment, and so he teamed up with TerraCycle to collect loads of trash that was destined for the landfill, instead to be recycled. To prepare for his project, Henry spent a full day at TerraCycle's headquarters meeting with their leadership and learning about their business and processes. He then created an informational campaign to educate others about what could be recycled. Finally, he collected certain trash from various communities and made sure that trash found its way to the right recycling plants. He hopes that his project inspired others to make the effort to recycle items when possible.

After his bar mitzvah, Henry is looking forward to spending two weeks along the Maine coast, hiking, sea kayaking, biking, and unwinding with a group of teens.

Henry has worked diligently to thoroughly prepare for his bar mitzvah. He is grateful to his parents, sister Lucy, grandparents, Rabbi Weiss, Rabbi Cantor, Karen Lewin, Ken Kaissar, and dog, Kenobi, for helping him along the way. He appreciates his family and friends surrounding him at this joyous milestone. A special thanks to those who traveled from overseas or across the country.

Lexi Lynde: Sunday, August 28, 2022



Lexi Lynde, daughter of Jayme Lynde and David Lynde, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Sunday, August 28, 2022. For her Bat Mitzvah project, Lexi decided to get involved with the Breakfast Club for Seniors, which is a non-profit organization that provides breakfast packages to Bucks County Seniors in need. With rising food prices and isolation forced on many older adults two years into the COVID pandemic, there are many who don't have enough to eat and need help. With the help of her friends and family, she is in the process of collecting healthy, nutritious breakfast items. With the help of her friends, they will have a packing party in July. The breakfast items will be given to those who are experiencing food insecurities. In her free time, Lexi enjoys playing softball, going to Abrams JCC Day Camp, and being with her friends and family. She also enjoys going to school at Pen Ryn and traveling. Mazel Tov!



Adult Ed 2021-2022: The Year in Review

Adult Ed offered a variety of programs, for all ages and interests. Highlights included discussions of books and films, participation in arts and culture projects, and learning about Jewish food, history and Jewish communities around the world.

The following programs were recorded and can be found in the Adult Ed Archives at <https://www.bethelyardley.org/adult-ed-archive.html>

Book Discussions with the Authors:

Concealed: Memoir of a Jewish-Iranian Daughter Caught Between the Chador and America:

Discussion with the author, Esther Amini



Escape from Shanghai: Jean Hoffman Lewanda discussed her father's escape from Vienna to Shanghai during World War II and shared photos and stories from his memoir, *Witness to History*

Jo Ivester, author of *Once a Girl, Always A Boy: A Family Memoir of a Transgender Journey* (in conjunction with the Social Action Committee)

Food:

Crowdsourcing Pesach: presented by Adult Education and Beth El Sisterhood

Jews and Food: A discussion with Rabbi Morris Allen on bringing current Kashrut certification rules into alignment with ethical concerns



Jewish Spirituality (in conjunction with Congregation Brothers of Israel, Newtown)

Exploring Jewish Views of the Afterlife: Contemporary Implications with Reb Simcha Raphael, Ph.D

The Spiritual Dimensions of Wellness & Brain Health with Ruth Schapira

The Arts

Hebrew Calligraphy with Artist Rachel Jackson: A hands-on workshop in creating a Hebrew calligraphy piece to hang in your home.

Jewish Communities Around the World

Wandering Jews Series: The Jews of Uganda: Learn about contemporary Jewish issues and what it's like to "do Jewish" in Uganda



Other programs included:

Book Nosh: Discussion of books, movies, TV shows, art exhibits, Broadway shows, operas and any other cultural happenings that have a Jewish theme, Jewish author, or Jewish characters.

Book Club: Open to all readers. Books discussed this year included novels, memoirs and current events.

Film Club: Watch a film on your own and join in a discussion and review of the film.

The Foodie Experience: The Kosher Middle Eastern Foodie Scene: Beth El members prepared (in advance) and shared recipes for their favorite Middle Eastern dishes.

Adult Ed 2021-2022: The Year in Review

Midrash Writing: Back Stories of the Torah: Participants chose a minor Biblical character and looked at their story as it's written in the Torah text. After "reading between the lines" to imagine what the Torah left out, they each wrote a short Midrash (creative interpretation) during the workshop.

The Abrahamic Religions: Led by Harriet Freidenreich, the class explored Judaism, Christianity and Islam from a comparative and historic perspective.

Courses Led by Rabbi Weiss

Jews and Food: From Biblical times to the present, Jews have had a complicated relationship with food. So many rules, and yet so many ways to use food in our traditions and celebrations. The course explored the Jewish menu from a historical and cultural perspective.

Still Hazy After All These Years: A History of Conservative Judaism: The course traced the development of Conservative Judaism from its 19th century origins to its contemporary formation, with special emphasis on ideas, religious norms, sociology and structures. Major inflection points of the past century were studied as a foil for the emerging challenges and opportunities facing this centrist movement.

Dive Into Davening: Monthly class with Rabbi Weiss on the meaning and significance of the prayers we chant, focused on one prayer per session.



The Great Jewish Debates: Led by Rabbi Weiss, these two sessions discussed philosophical, spiritual, ethical and cultural issues that have shaped Jewish history and modern Jewish life.

The Adult Ed Committee thanks all who led and participated in this year's programs. We couldn't do it without your support! We hope to offer a mix of virtual, hybrid and in-person classes in the coming year.

If you'd like to get involved, we'd welcome your help. Is there a topic you'd like to learn about or teach? Are you good with social media? Do you have art, photography or writing skills? Do you enjoy planning events? Please contact adulted@bethelyardley.org if you'd like to become involved.

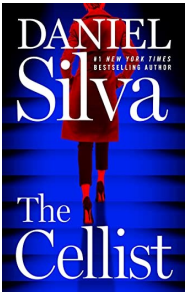


Did you miss a program? No worries.

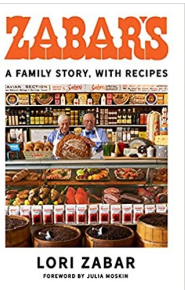
We have them recorded for you.
Visit www.bethelyardley.org; click on the "Archives" tab or click on the "Learn" tab for the Adult Education Archives.

Anything underlined is a link to a video. Enjoy!

Items Discussed at April 24, 2022, Book Nosh Meeting



Gabriel Allon, the fictional Director-General of Israel's secret intelligence service, is back for another rousing adventure in **The Cellist**, the latest installment of **Daniel Silva's** spy thriller series. Whether you're an aficionado who has followed the career of this daring agent, assassin, spy master, and art restorer or a newcomer to the series, you're in for a treat.



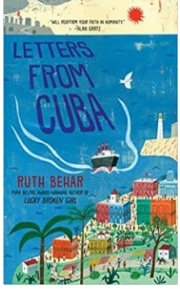
Zabar's: A Family Story, with Recipes, by Lori Zabar. Who doesn't love Zabar's? But do you know the backstory? Well, now you can find out. The Temple Emanu-El Streicker Center hosted a book event, entitled *From a Ukrainian Shtetl to the Epicurean Mount Olympus*, on **Thursday, May 12**, featuring Stanley Zabar, Willie Zabar, David Zabar (Executive Director of Zabar's), Scott Goldshine (Zabar's store manager), and Julia Moskin of The New York Times. Unfortunately, Lori Zabar died in February of this year. The program is available both in-person and online and free. The book is not included.



While we're on the subject of food, four Jewish sisters in Teaneck, NJ, with time on their hands during the Covid lockdown, started a nonprofit social action group, baking and selling challah to raise awareness and dough. Their organization, Challah Back Girls, LLC, has been wildly successful. Check it out at <https://challahbackgirls.org/home>.



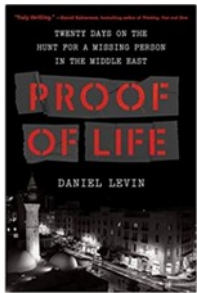
Several of our Book Nosh members have visited the second oldest synagogue in the United States, known as the St. Thomas Synagogue. It was built in 1833. (There are no Jewish saints, in case you didn't know. The name comes from the location of the temple on the island of Saint Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands.) By universal agreement of our members, if you get a chance, you should definitely visit. For *A History and Virtual Tour of the Hebrew Congregation of St Thomas*, available on YouTube, go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OUcx6vNIndo&t=15s>.



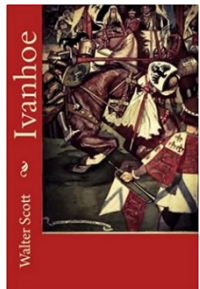
Letters From Cuba, by Ruth Behar. The true story of a Jewish girl who escaped Poland on the eve of World War II to join her father who had previously emigrated to Cuba. While the father is eking out a living as a peddler, the young girl discovers a hidden talent, which she uses to earn enough money to rescue the rest of her family. An interesting story about the resilience of the human spirit, set in an exotic locale, with lots of arresting details about the life of Jews in Cuba during and after World War II. Recommended by our reviewer.



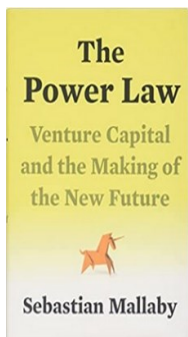
An interesting OpEd piece in the April 14 edition of the New York Times, written by Rabbi Sharon Brous, the senior rabbi of Ikar, a Jewish community based in Los Angeles, described a “Slave Bible” used by Christian missionaries seeking to convert slaves in the South. All mention of Moses and the Exodus was redacted from this version. For the text of the OpEd piece, see <https://www.nytimes.com/2022/04/14/opinion/passover-exodus-story->



Proof of Life, by Daniel Levin. Hard to believe, but this is a non-fiction book. It has all the intrigue, menace, derring-do, and riveting action that authors of fictional spy thrillers can only dream about. It is the day-by-day account of the efforts of a Jewish New Yorker, Daniel Levin, to save the life of a young man held by terrorists in Syria. Our reviewer promises that you will not be able to put this book down. As a special bonus, you will learn a whole lot about the war in Syria, Middle Eastern politics, and human nature in the process of reading it.



Ivanhoe, by Walter Scott. Many of us have read abridged versions of this classic in high school. Some of us even saw the film version starring Elizabeth Taylor as the beautiful Jewish maiden who tends to Ivanhoe after he is wounded. According to our reviewer, you have to go back and read the unabridged version with adult eyes. She promises that it will be a revelation.



The Power Law: Venture Capital and the Making of the New Future, by Sebastian Mallaby. Did you know that Silicon Valley, as we know it today, was arguably brought about by a Jewish kid from Rochester, New York? He was born, in 1926, to a family of Jewish immigrants who spoke Yiddish at home. He attended Syracuse University on the G. I. Bill, got an MBA from Harvard, and became the accidental founder of the modern world of private equity and venture capital. His name is Arthur Rock. (He’s still alive at the age of 96.) You can read all about it in this detailed, factual and informative narrative.

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See page 18 to volunteer.



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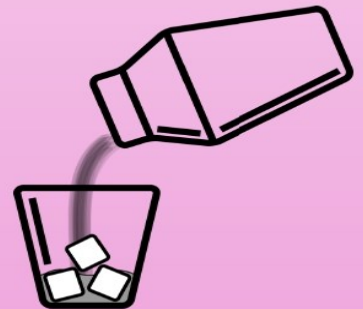
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	<i>Cook For a Friend</i> - Meets once a month on Tuesdays; make meals for seniors.
	<i>Finance Committee</i> - Oversee the Congregation's finances in conjunction with the treasurer.
	<i>Fundraising</i> - Help plan activities (ex. Bingo, Gala Dinner) to raise funds for the congregation.
	<i>Gardening</i> - Do you have a green thumb? Help maintain our Beth El garden.
	<i>Greeter</i> - Welcome guests at Friday evening or Saturday morning services.
	<i>Hazak</i> - Join fellow 60+ members for programming and events.
	<i>Holiday Programming</i> - Assist in planning community-wide holiday programming.
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	<i>Kiddush Krew</i> - Assist with Shabbat luncheons.
	<i>Membership</i> - Engage prospective, new, and current members; in-reach/out-reach opportunities; deliver membership bags to new members.
	<i>Men's Club</i> - Join fellow Beth El members for programming and events throughout the year.
	<i>Minyan</i> - Agree to attend morning or evening minyan on a given day.
	<i>Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)</i> - Get involved in school planning, activities & programming for our youth.
	<i>Publicity</i> - Help promote Beth El; post on social media and print outlets.
	<i>Religious Activities Committee</i> - Help shape the religious aspects of Beth El.
	<i>Share Shabbat Dinner</i> - Help recruit members to host/be guests at homes on Friday Nights.
	<i>Shiru l'Adonai Instrumental Friday Shabbat Services</i> - Do you sing? Play an instrument? Enjoy music? Join us for monthly services.
	<i>Sisterhood</i> - Join fellow Beth El members for programming and events throughout the year.
	<i>Social Action</i> - Assist the community at large; monthly donation collections, making meals, etc.
	<i>I/we have ideas to help shape the programs and events that happen at Congregation Beth El.</i>



Congregation Beth El's Softball Team 2022

Scott Kravitz, President of Men's Club formed a Congregation Beth El softball team. They played other area synagogues from April - July. Games were held on Sundays, 8:00am - 11:00am through JCC Princeton Mercer Bucks.

Contact Scott Kravitz, mensclub@bethelyardley.org for more information.

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Dear Members,

Community means everything! We want to share with you how much we appreciate the members, guests and local businesses who helped make Congregation Beth El BINGO a very successful event! On Sunday, May 1 almost 70 guests ate pizza and cookies, played many Bingo games and won raffle prizes. To make it such a successful event, over 50 friends and businesses donated gifts and raffles. Our guests were delighted by all the wonderful and valuable prizes they won from Bingo games and raffle prizes. A great time was had by all!

We'd like to share some photos of this fun event, thank each guest for joining us and acknowledge and thank all of the many congregants and local businesses who donated bingo prizes and raffle items. Also thanks to our tireless Bingo Committee and Bingo Helpers who made this day a great success! None of this could have been possible without Barbara Schwartz.

Bingo Helpers:

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We are truly appreciative of your support of Congregation Beth El and look forward to planning many more fun events together!

*Thank
You!*



Afghan refugee family update



Back in February, Beth El welcomed an Afghan refugee family into the local community through the efforts of the Bucks County Interfaith Coalition for Refugee Resettlement in coordination with the Nationalities Service Center, a Philadelphia-based immigration agency. BCICRR represents several synagogues, churches, Quaker meetings, and the local Zubaida Mosque and is an all-volunteer effort. The heart and love consistently pouring out of this group is nothing short of remarkable!

The family's journey here was exhausting and traumatic. They left Kabul in the emergency airlift last August shortly after the U.S. government announced its plans to pull out of Afghanistan after a 20-year presence and subsequent take-over by the Taliban. I try to imagine what the chaotic evacuation experience must have felt like for this family of six, including an infant, a 3-year old, a 6-year old, Mom, Dad, and Dad's sister. Their first stop was a U.S. military base in Germany followed by a transfer to the large refugee resettlement camp at McGuire Air Force Base in South Jersey. After undergoing medical exams and the extensive processing of documents, the family was moved to yet another temporary arrangement at a hotel in Philadelphia when the temperature dropped too low to continue living in the large white military tents. Their strong family connection, a yearning to live in peace and safety, a reservoir of resilience, and a deep sense of faith in a higher power has carried them through this extraordinary experience.

After six months of wandering, the family is now settled into their three bedroom apartment in Falls Township with temporary financial assistance from BCICRR. And by all measures, they are thriving! Dad worked for the U.S. Embassy in Kabul as a driver and recently got hired by Capital Health to drive patients to and from appointments at the hospital. Mom stays at home caring for her adorable baby boy (who just started walking!) and for her 3 year-old son and 6 year-old daughter. Dad's sister helps around the house and with caretaking for the children. All three adults have volunteer ESL tutors who come to the house several times a week. Dad is the only family member who speaks enough English to get by, while Mom and Aunt are gradually learning conversational English. They have mastered the basics, such as, "How are you? Thank you. Would you like tea?"

We were fortunate to secure a space (tuition completely waived) in a wonderful Montessori pre-school for the 3-year old where he is learning English and developing his social and emotional skills. He will continue going there for summer camp and is thriving! His sister entered Kindergarten mid-year in the Pennsbury School District and is blossoming. She is quickly picking up English, learning to speak, read, and write, and has the support of both in-school ESL services and after school tutoring by a retired kindergarten teacher. She elbows her way onto a school bus everyday and has quickly adapted to the routine. She is a very bright, confident child.

Volunteer support has run the gamut and is organized into several committees, including transportation, schooling, ESL, housing, medical, immigration, communications, and finance. People work well together, apply their skills, and step up to help wherever there are needs. We are all learning as we go and have become an extended family.

To learn more about the work of BCICRR or to volunteer, visit www.bcicrr.org or contact Debbie Wachspress, co-chair of social action, at debwachspress@gmail.com.



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- Cara & Leon Weissman in honor of the marriage of their daughter, Temma Weissman to Michael Moss.
- Jill & Raphael Cohen in honor of their son, Henry, becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Jayme & David Lynde in honor of their daughter, Alexis, becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- Jocelyne Balcher in honor of the marriage of her son, Alex Balcher to Marissa Rubenstein.
- Charlotte & Harold Denenberg in honor of their grandson, Elijah Klawans, becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

Our Community Sends their Deepest Condolences to...

- Mickey Dickler on the passing of her husband, Marvin Dickler, z"l; father to Sue (Alan), Marc (Mindy), Arlene, and Pam and beloved grandfather and great-grandfather.
- Ben (Lynn) Lubing and their entire extended family on the passing of Ben's sister, Lael Lubing, z"l.
- The Fradkin Family on the passing of former Congregation Beth El member, Leon Fradkin, z"l.
- The Fineman & Borocharer Families on the passing of former Congregation Beth El member, Barbara Fineman, z"l; Howard (Nook) Fineman and Jill (Glenn) Borocharer, along with her grandchildren, Danielle (fiancé Jesus Escamilla) Borocharer and Heather Borocharer; and her sister Maxine Mervine, and sister-in-law, Barbara Dennis.
- Michael (Tina Leifer-Rettig) Rettig on the passing of Michael's father, Leo Rettig, z"l.
- Verne Simon on the passing of his wife, Linda Simon, z"l.
- Deborah Phillips and Jonathan (Jennifer) Phillips and their 3 children, on the passing their mother and grandmother and long time Beth El member, Carol Hirsch z"l.



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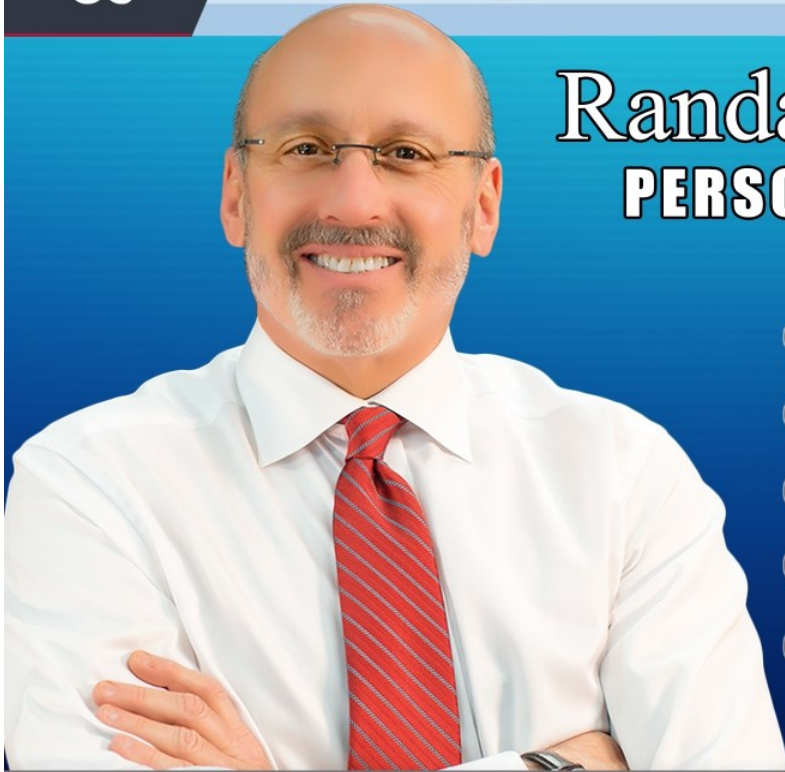
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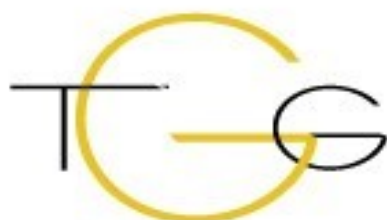


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With Sympathy to:

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Bonnie Abrams

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Yahrzeit of Sarah Mittleman
Gloria & Edwin Mittleman

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In Memory of Elaine Jaffe
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Yizkor/Yahrzeit Fund (continued)

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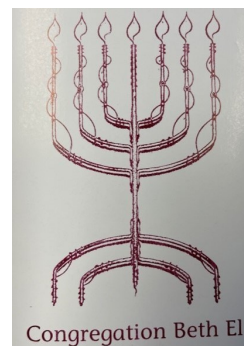
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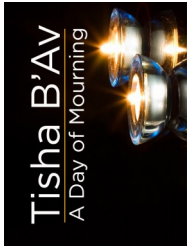
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 (4 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 8:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	4 (5 Tammuz) Independence Day Office Closed Morning Minyan 8:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	5 (6 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	6 (7 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	7 (8 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	8 (9 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Shabbat Evening Services 6:00pm Candle Lighting 8:13pm	9 (10 Tammuz) Chukat Shabbat Morning Services 9:30am Rabbi Cantor Welcome luncheon 12:00pm Havdalah 9:13pm
10 (11 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 8:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	11 (12 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Executive Committee Meeting 8:00pm	12 (13 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Cook For a Friend Evening Minyan 7:30pm	13 (14 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	14 (15 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Sisterhood: Mixology & Mixer Closing Event 5:00pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm	15 (16 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Shabbat Evening Services 6:00pm Candle Lighting 8:10pm	16 (17 Tammuz) Balak Shabbat Morning Services 9:30am Havdalah 9:09pm
17 (18 Tammuz) Fast of Tammuz Morning Minyan 8:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	18 (19 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Board of Directors Meeting 8:00pm	19 (20 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	20 (21 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	21 (22 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	22 (23 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Shabbat Evening Services 6:00pm Candle Lighting 8:05pm	23 (24 Tammuz) Pinchas Shabbat Mevarchim Shabbat Morning Services 9:30am Havdalah 9:04pm
24 (25 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 8:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	25 (26 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	26 (27 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	27 (28 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	28 (29 Tammuz) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	29 (1 Av) Rosh Chodesh Av Morning Minyan 7:00am Shabbat Evening Services 6:00pm Candle Lighting 7:59pm	30 (2 Av) Matot-Masei Shabbat Morning Services 9:30am Havdalah 8:58pm
31 (3 Av) Morning Minyan 8:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm						

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7 (10 Av) Fast of Tisha B'Av Morning Minyan 8:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Havdalah 8:49pm	8 (11 Av) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	9 (12 Av) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	10 (13 Av) Morning Minyan 7:00am Wine Tasting Eve. 7:00pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm	11 (14 Av) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	12 (15 Av) Tu B'Av Morning Minyan 7:00am Shabbat Evening Services 6:00pm Candle Lighting 7:43pm	13 (16 Av) Vaetchanan Shabbat Nachamu Shabbat Morning Services 9:30am Havdalah 8:41pm
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28 (1 Elul) Rosh Chodesh Elul Morning Minyan 8:00am Bat Mitzvah of Alexis Lynde 10:30am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	29 (2 Elul) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	30 (3 Elul) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	31 (4 Elul) Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm			

Erev Tisha B'Av Saturday, August 6.
Check emails for more information.

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 help fulfill the mitzvah of tzedakah. There are two different cards to choose from a beautiful menorah card (\$15) and a colorful picture of three of our Torot (\$25).* Your gift can also be designated to one of the funds below. Contributions may be made online at www.bethelyardley.org, by contacting the office, 215-493-1707 x4 or mailing in the form below. **Donations under \$15 will no longer receive a card.***

Book Dedications: There are also opportunities to have a bookplate placed on the back of the front cover of a Siddur (prayer book) or Mahzor (High Holiday Prayer Book) - any time someone opens the book, they will learn of your donation: Prayer Book, \$54; High Holiday Mahzor, \$54, Etz Hayim Chumash, \$54. See page 36.

Memorial (Yahrzeit) Plaques: 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 our 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. Contact the office to receive a form.

Cemetery Plots: Beth El owns plots at King David Memorial Park in Bensalem. Call the office for further details and pricing information or contact Michael Weinberg at 215-321-1312.

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