

# The Shofar



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## Join us for an Ariel Wyner Shabbaton! (Our High Holidays Cantor)

**May 20 - 22**



Kabbalat Shabbat unplugged 6:00pm  
Services led by Ariel Wyner.  
FJLC Kabbalat Siddur.

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Shabbat Morning Services 9:30am  
Services led by Ariel Wyner.

Guest Speaker: Regina K. Levin - "The Jewish Value of Inclusion."  
Join us for lunch after services, including singing zmirot  
with Ariel Wyner.

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Sunday 12 noon

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**Office Hours**

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

**Schedule of Services**

**Monday - Friday**

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

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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'beirahk 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](mailto: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.



One of my tasks at the Preschool where I work is to make the monthly calendar to send to the families. When making the calendar this time, it struck me how many Jewish Holidays there are in May (which corresponds with the month of Iyar): *Yom HaZikaron (Israeli Memorial Day)* - A day commemorating the soldiers who have fallen fighting for Israel's independence and defending its security; *Yom HaAtzmaut (Israeli Independence Day)* - This holiday celebrates the independence of the Modern State of Israel; *Yom Yerushalayim (Jerusalem Day)* - This holiday celebrates the reunification of Jerusalem; and *Lag B'Omer* - The holiday that marks the 33rd day of the 49-day "Omer" period between Passover and Shavuot.

The only other time in the Jewish year that we celebrate such a concentration of holidays is in the fall during the "High Holidays" (Rosh HaShanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Shmini Atzeret and Simchat Torah). The main difference between the fall holidays and the spring holidays is that the High Holidays are all biblical holidays while the spring holidays are not. Because the fall Holidays are all biblical, they come with a lot of rules and customs that are decreed in the Torah and include synagogue services. In contrast, the spring holidays, since they are relatively new, have traditions that are less stringent. Instead of a synagogue service, many communities celebrate with bonfires on Lag B'Omer. And in Israel at exactly 8:00 PM on Yom HaZikaron a siren sounds for 1 minute and everything stops, even traffic on the highway.

Although these holidays are clustered together in Iyar because of the significance of the dates in Israel's recent history, I think it is interesting that, in many ways, they parallel the Fall holidays. For example, Yom HaZikaron is a more solemn holiday like Yom Kippur and Yom Yerushalayim is a more joyous holiday like Simchat Torah. Yom HaZikaron and Yom HaAtzmaut are celebrated the day after each other just as Shmini Atzeret and Simchat Torah are. Finally, Sukkot is celebrated outside in nature just as Lag B'Omer is.

As the April showers are stopping and the May flowers are blooming, I reflect on the importance of my Judaism and my link to the Jewish people through a calendar of holidays, both major and minor, that keep me connected all year long. I may not personally celebrate Yom Yerushalayim, but just knowing that people all over the world are celebrating it is important to me.

Back here in Yardley, we have many exciting events on our calendar in the months of May and June. On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Beth El member Debbie Wachspress will be speaking on behalf of the Bucks County Interfaith Coalition for Refugee Resettlement (BCICRR). May 15<sup>th</sup> is the Bucks County Jewish Festival at Bucks County Community College. The Sisterhood closing event is also that day, after the festival. Please join us on the Weekend of May 20 - 22 as Cantor Wyner and his wife, Sofia, join us for a special cantorial weekend. On May 21, we will also be welcoming our guest speaker, Regina K. Levin, who will discuss "The Jewish Values of Inclusion." In addition, we have a book signing event with author Jo Ivester on May 24<sup>th</sup>. There are also classes you can take, like Harriet Freidenreich's class "The Abrahamic Religions." Our Congregational Meeting will be on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, and we will honor Rabbi Weiss' time with us on June 4<sup>th</sup>. Visit [www.bethelyardley.org](http://www.bethelyardley.org) for up-to-date events, programs and classes.

I'd like to also take a moment to thank Rabbi Weiss for all that she did in her three years with us. I am sure you all join me in wishing her luck in her new position in Massachusetts. I would also like to thank Shari Sabath for her hard work in leading our Religious School this year. It was a difficult year transitioning back to in-person lessons and I really appreciate her dedication.

Please stay tuned for information about welcoming Rabbi Cantor to our community. We will be planning informal meet-and-greets in the summer and early fall as well as an Installation weekend in the late fall/early winter. Please check the website and your email for more information about this.

I hope you all enjoyed a Happy Passover and every holiday in the year to come is meaningful for you and your family.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elizabeth Ravitch".

Elizabeth Ravitch  
President  
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Shalom friends,

We use the word shalom to say hello, goodbye, and peace -- it is a word filled with potential, promise, and blessing, but it can also be tinged with a certain sadness. Writing my final Shofar letter is a very bittersweet experience for me. As I reflect back on these last three years serving this very special community, I think about the flood of blessings and transformative experiences I have been privileged to have here with you.

As I write reflecting on this period in our lives, we enter into the period between Passover and Shavuot. Passover and Shavuot are a time for personal reflection and collective refinement. We traditionally study Ethics of the Sages during this seven-week spiritual journey. In this collection of eternal rabbinic wisdom, we read (5:21) of Ben Ha Ha's teaching that the greater the pain, the greater the reward. This is perhaps a Mishnaic variation of the famous adage "the greater the pain, the greater the gain." While I sometimes struggle with the theological implications of such a statement, I do believe Ben Ha Ha's teaching suggests something deeper than merely the platitude, 'what doesn't kill you makes you stronger.' Instead, as I reflect not just on the state of our community, but also on the state of this world during the last three years, I think about how unusual, and sometimes quite challenging, circumstances demand of each of us a kind of quiet but life-defining heroism, resolve, and creativity.

In particular, I think about our response as a community having to reimagine the way we learn, pray, socialize, and support each other. The outpouring of your commitment and talent has enabled us to reach this moment, perhaps even more focused and whole than before. I think back to our community-wide wellness day program, which last-minute pivoted to a virtual platform, just after the outbreak of the virus. I remember how so many of you showed up, whether as speakers or as participants, and shared the best of yourselves; I think about how whenever we learned of a personal need in the community, you showed up in full force to help out, whether offering a ride or offering your ear; I think especially about our Share Your Passion series, which lifted up the voices, visions, and dreams of so many in our community, creating new bonds and connections across an impressive diversity of interests; I think about the ways in which our prayer has been irrevocably transformed, how we are reaching community members near and far who would otherwise never be able to attend services with us, how we are utilizing multimedia to enhance our connections; I think about the stories and relationships that cohered around our One-to-One Relational Meeting campaign; I think about the many opportunities we enjoyed learning together -- whether formally through series such as Dive into Davening, Shulchan Ivri (the Hebrew Conversation Table), Cantillation Café, the Secret Torah of Women, our different weekly Wednesday series, the Great Debate series, the Wandering Jews Series -- or informally, through personal conversations; and I think about the outpouring of generosity and love that enabled our community's ongoing involvement in settling here in Bucks County a new Afghani family, who recently escaped the horrors of their homeland.

Three years go by in what seems like almost the blink of the eye, and it feels like we are only getting started. But I am confident in the strength and character of this community to continue forward with the work we have embarked upon together and build upon your successes as you enter this new chapter of this sacred community's history. I also look forward to maintaining our relationships and celebrating each others' *semachot* -- our happy occasions -- for countless years to come. And if you have occasion to travel up to the Boston area, where my family and I will be moving this summer, as I begin as senior co-rabbi of Temple Israel of Natick, please know that you are always warmly welcomed and encouraged to come say hello.

I would like to leave you with two transitional traditions which have always spoken to me but resonate with me especially strongly at this time. The first is what we traditionally say upon completing a tractate of Talmud. We announce that we will return to it; we say to the tractate that, while we have completed our learning, this is not a final goodbye: "Hadran alakh," we will return to you. How much more applicable this statement is to the relationships we form in life. Putting a volume down for a moment does not signal the end of the relationship with and impact of that text. All the more so, in the sphere of human relationships, we always return to each other, no matter where we might be situated geographically.

The second transitional tradition which feels especially appropriate this time of year, as we transition into the summer season, is the travelers' prayer, *tefillat haDerekh*. The travelers' prayer is traditionally recited upon taking a journey and asks G-d to guide and protect us on our journey, for us to curry favour in the hearts of those who meet us, and to help orient our hearts to do good in this world. When I was a child, I had a teacher from Israel who would always carry a keychain with this special prayer dangling from his trouser pocket. When we asked him why, he explained that we are always on a journey, no matter where we are or what we're doing.

Taken together, these two transitional traditions come to teach us that, while the road of life presents us with infinite, unexpected twists and turns, we should always orient our hearts towards what is good and remember that we always return to each other. Shalom and *hadran alakh*, Beth El.

B'yedidut -- with friendship,

Rabbi Raysh Weiss  
rabbi@bethelyardley.org



I write this article as we are celebrating the holiday of Passover, פסח, and my home is filled with the aroma of chicken soup, almond butter cookies, and horseradish. This is one of my favorite holidays. I love the anticipation of preparing for the Seders. I love trying new charoset recipes and I really like eating the Hillel sandwich. There's something about the taste of sweet and bitter together that speaks to me. I love cooking things that I only prepare during Passover. I love seeing family and friends that we don't get to spend enough time with. I love the anticipation of Shavuot as we count the Omer (the 49 days between Passover and Shavuot).

Anticipation is an ongoing theme in Judaism. We anticipate the celebration of holidays. We anticipate the arrival of Shabbat. We anticipate the celebration of the B-Mitzvah. In the Torah, Abraham and Sarah anticipate the arrival of the child that God promised. Jacob anticipates meeting his brother Esau after many years of being estranged. Joseph anticipates reuniting with his brothers as they flee famine. Anticipation can be filled with joy or be a cause for anxiety as we see with our Biblical ancestors.

I see anticipation as an opportunity. An opportunity to become excited and plan for the good. Right now we are anticipating the end of the school year and the beginning of the summer. We can be excited about what's to come or nervous about not having the structure we are used to. May we all channel our anticipation and find the good in our future happenings.

We have been very busy over the last two months in the religious school and plan to end the school year with strength. We have celebrated holidays together. Purim was great fun as we wore costumes related to the Rock N' Roll theme. The students had a great time singing during the interspersed spiel during the reading of the Megillah. We anticipated Passover during our Model Seder. Each class participated in their own way as we moved through the Haggadah. We learned about and participated in the mitzvah of Hiddur Mitzvah by creating beautiful covers for our siddurim with our families. It was so wonderful to have parents and students learning and creating together. And our oldest students participated in a program facilitated by the ADL called Words to Action. Students learned to identify anti-semitism and how to respond when they see or experience it in their communities.

We are looking forward to celebrating Yom HaAtzmaut and celebrating Shabbat together when the Gimmel and Dalet (3rd and 4th grades) classes receive their Lev Shalem Siddur in a ceremony on Friday, May 20. Our last day of school is Sunday, May 15. We will close out our year with a performance by the Bible Players.

We have successfully completed the school year, in person. The students made friends, improved their skills, learned about their Judaism, and grew. Thank you to the teachers, parents, and especially the students for making this year so successful. We are all looking forward to a restful summer and anticipating another awesome school year in September.

## PURIM



## Model Seder



## Hiddur Mitzvah Family Program Siddur Covers

Thank you for sharing your children with us,

Shari Sabath, MEd

Principal

[school@bethelyardley.org](mailto:school@bethelyardley.org)



## Derek Cohen Board Member & Galilee Proceeds Management Board



My name is Derek Cohen and I have been a member of Beth El since 2009. I have served on the board since 2014 and currently sit on the Galilee Management, Mortgage and Security Committees. My wife, Robin, and I are the proud parents of Julie (a sophomore at Tulane University) and Sam (7th grade). Both of our children have been participants in the education program at Beth El and we are looking forward to Sam becoming a bar mitzvah in June. In addition, my parents (Herb and Joyce Cohen) and in-laws (Mel and Deanie Yasner) are members of Beth El.

Outside of Beth El, I am a partner in the law firm of Walden Macht & Haran specializing in white collar criminal defense and investigations. Before entering private practice, I was a federal prosecutor for almost ten years in Philadelphia and Washington, DC (along with an extended assignment in New Orleans). In my free time, I like to golf, see live music, and find great restaurants. I'm also a member of the Krewe of Bacchus and ride on a float each Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

## Jen Goldstein Board Member



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

I am originally from Union County NJ and David is 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 one 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. He keeps us busy!

We are an avid sports family...I crossed over to a Philadelphia sports fan (it's 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](http://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!

## B'nai Mitzvah: Rebecca Galonsky, Saturday, April 30, 2022

Rebecca had already started her Mitzvah project, collecting and donating art supplies for Cradles to Crayons when February 24th came. As we know, on February 24th Russia invaded Ukraine. As a result millions were displaced, families broken, lives lost, and Becca knew what she had to do.



Becca has been moved by the plight of those harmed by this aggression in general, but for her it also was personal. She had heard stories of her Grandfather Joseph growing up in Chernovitsi. One set of her Great Grandparents were born in Ukraine, another set lived there for years until they immigrated to the US. In fact, due to the Pale of Settlement which lasted over 100 years in the Russian Empire, most of the people we call Russian Jews had their ancestors living at some point in Ukraine, Poland, Belarus, and Moldova - all areas now being impacted by this war.

Becca pivoted her Mitzvah plans to the new reality of war, and she wanted to help in any way she could. Becca donated \$100 from her own savings, and raised several hundred more, which she used to purchase essentials for refugees (both people and their family pets).

If you are interested in supporting Rebecca's project, please reach out to Ella Goldmacher who can help direct your efforts. Mazel Tov!



## Noah Kravitz: Saturday, May 7, 2022

Noah Kravitz, son of Jen and Scott Kravitz, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 7, 2022. For his mitzvah project Noah partnered up with an organization called Cranio Care Bears that not only has a personal meaning to him, but also spreads awareness, support & compassion through loving care packages to families of children facing surgery for Craniosynostosis. Noah gathered family and friends and together created 77 sensory bean bags to include in Cranio Care Bear packages. Sensory bags can be used for children who just came out of surgery to help with exploration, distraction, stress relief, and to help strengthen eyesight. It was a lot of fun making them and we hope this organization gets more support. To learn more visit: <https://craniocarebears.org/> Mazel Tov!



## Maddie Levy: Saturday, May 14, 2022

Maddie Levy, daughter of Alexis and Jesse Levy, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, May 14, 2022. Maddie loves animals, and for her Bat Mitzvah project she is collecting and donating items to an animal shelter. She plans to continue this project even after her Bat Mitzvah in order to keep supporting shelters so that they can take care of so many furry friends. Maddie has enormous empathy for both animals and people, and is always helping those in need. In her free time, Maddie loves theater, art, dance and spending time with her family and friends. Mazel Tov!

## Avigail Wus: Saturday, May 28, 2022

Avigail Wus, daughter of Deborah and John Wus, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, May 28, 2022. Avi has always loved helping people in need, and due to her love of cooking, she decided to partner with Caring for Friends for her Bat Mitzvah project. Caring for Friends is an organization that gives food to the people in our community who are suffering from hunger and food insecurity. Over the course of the past year, she has prepared, cooked, and packaged meal after meal. She has also spread this spirit throughout her community by encouraging her friends to come and help her on cooking days. Overall, Avi alongside her family and friends has cooked hundreds of meals to help those of her community in need. She also has a fundraiser set to raise \$2000 for the same organization!



Avi is also a straight A honors student who is participating in the World Finals for Odyssey of the Mind, representing Pennsbury School District, at Iowa State University. She loves acting and played a major role in the Pennwood musical this year. She also loves basketball, her 2 cats, her dog, and her big supportive family who are consistently proud of the amazing human that she has become. Mazel Tov!

## Sam Cohen: Saturday, June 11, 2022



Sam Cohen was born in Philadelphia in 2009 and has lived in Yardley his whole life. He is a seventh grader at William Penn Middle School. Sam is an avid lacrosse player and is a member of the Lower Bucks Lacrosse and Blue Star Lacrosse clubs. He also loves music and plays piano and some guitar and trumpet. For his mitzvah project, Sam collected donated equipment and financial donations for Able Lacrosse, an organization that makes lacrosse accessible to children with various special needs. Sam is also a big fan of the New Orleans Saints, Kanye West music and his dog, Dogbone Shorty. Mazel Tov!



## B'NAI MITZVAH UNIVERSITY (BMU)

Visit [www.bethelyardley.org](http://www.bethelyardley.org) for more information.

**Calling all 5th, 6th & 7th Graders**

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**Enjoy Saturday Services**  
10:00am - 12:00pm

**May 7**



During BMU sessions, we will form a community of learners and teachers as families come together to share the B'nai Mitzvah journey. Each Shabbat we will focus on an important aspect of B'nai Mitzvah in an effort to create a meaningful experience for all.

In the 6th and 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 call the Education Office, 215-493-1707 x3.

**CHILDREN ages 0 - 5 & CAREGIVER**

# TOT SHABBAT

LED by teacher and Congregation Beth El member **CARYN BOISSELLE**

Do you have small children or grandchildren? Enjoy an engaging service with singing, stories, and tons of fun! All are welcome to attend.

**Saturdays 10:00am**

**May 7**

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## Adult Ed – May and June 2022

From arts and culture to food to history to Jewish thought, you'll find a variety of programs this spring. Whether it's in person, on Zoom, evenings, weekends or weekdays, come join your friends for some interesting, fun, participatory and informative classes.

### Weekday DAYTIME Learning



#### **Dive Into Davening:**

*First Monday of the month, 12:00pm - 12:30pm on May 2*

Join Rabbi Weiss for a fast-paced, one-prayer-per-session dive into the story behind our davening. In English; all levels warmly welcomed! (Meets on Virtual Beth El)

#### **Still Hazy After All these Years: A History of the Conservative Movement (NEW! Starts May 4)**

*Wednesdays, 10:00am - 10:50am on May 4, 11, 18 and 25*

Facilitator: Rabbi Weiss

This course traces 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 will be studied as a foil for emerging challenges and opportunities facing this centrist movement. (Meets on Virtual Beth El)

#### **The Abrahamic Religions: (NEW!)**

*Tuesdays, 10:00am - 11:00am Facilitator: Harriet Freidenreich*

This 7-week class, which started after Passover on April 26, will explore the three western monotheistic religions, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, from a comparative and historical perspective. See flyer in this issue for more details. (Meets in person at Beth El)

### Weekday EVENING Learning

#### **Great Jewish Debates Lecture Series**

*Thursday, 7:45pm May 12*

Explore the great debates – spiritual, ethical, and cultural – that have shaped our history as well as modern Jewish thought.

Facilitator: Rabbi Weiss 7:45 pm (Meets on Virtual Beth El)



#### **Author Event and Book Signing: Jo Ivester's Once a Girl, Always a Boy: A Family Memoir of a Transgender Journey**

*Tuesday, May 24, 7:00pm - 9:30pm (see flyer page 16 & page 10 for more information)*

Jo Ivester is an author and speaker, focusing on LGBTQ and civil rights advocacy. She is an award winning author. She addresses a wide range of audiences, from small book clubs to entire schools, using her personal stories. See flyer in this issue for more details. In-person and virtual options are available. **Pre-registration is required**, whether in-person or virtual.

Pre-register visit: [www.bethelyardley.org](http://www.bethelyardley.org).

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## Special Event

### Presenting Author Lecture & Book Signing with

***Jo Ivester***  
(see flyer)

Beth El's Adult Education and Social Action Committees invite you to a lecture by author Jo Ivester on her award-winning memoir, *Once a Girl, Always a Boy: Memoir of a Family Transgender Journey*.

Ivester will be speaking on her experiences as a mother of a transgender man. Her son, Jeremy Ivester, is now in his 30s and has documented his transition in video diaries throughout his life. Using these videos and conversations with her son and other family members, Jo Ivester created a memoir that sheds light onto the roles a family can play in a transgender child's life.

"This is not only Jeremy's story but also that of his family, told from multiple perspectives – those of the siblings who struggled to understand the brother they once saw as a sister, and of the parents who ultimately joined him in the battle against discrimination. This is a story of acceptance in a world not quite ready to accept," Jo Ivester wrote of *Once a Girl, Always a Boy*.

The book, first released in April 2020, has received high praise. It was a finalist in the LGBTQ Non-Fiction and Parenting & Family categories of the 2020 International Book Awards. *USA Today* featured the memoir on its "LGBTQ Books to Read During Pride Month" list. And it won the Annual Indie Excellence Juror's Choice Awards in the LGBTQIA Non-Fiction category.

The lecture will be in-person at Congregation Beth El on Tuesday, May 24 at 7:30 pm. Q&A and a book signing will follow. Zoom will also be available for those who prefer to attend virtually.

**Please note:**

**Pre-registration is required for *both* the in person and the Zoom options.**

**Visit [www.bethelyardley.org](http://www.bethelyardley.org) to pre-register.**

Special opportunity: We will be taking Jo and her husband to dinner before the lecture. If you would like to join us at dinner, please call Barbara in the Beth El office, 215-493-1707 x4, so we can add you to the list.

### COVID - 19 Protocols

All participants attending in person must be fully vaccinated as per CDC guidelines.

For more information about Congregation Beth El's COVID protocols, visit [www.bethelyardley.org](http://www.bethelyardley.org); click on COVID-19 Information graphic.





## Partners in Learning

### Congregation Beth El and Congregation Brothers of Israel

This year, Congregation Beth El and Congregation Brothers of Israel teamed up to bring two very special guest speakers to our learning platform. If you missed these programs, check them out on the Adult Ed Archive page at <https://www.bethelyardley.org/adult-ed-archive.html>.

The first in the series, “**The Spiritual Dimensions of Wellness & Brain Health**,” featured our own Ruth Schapira. In this program, we learned about scientific research that proves that brain health is linked with spiritual engagement.

The second and final program in this series, “**Jewish Views of the Afterlife**,” was presented by Simcha Paull Raphael. Reb Raphael has researched and written extensively on Jewish perspectives of death, dying, and what happens after death. He led us through a compilation of Jewish views and traditions, touching on ideas found in the Bible, Apocrypha, Rabbinic literature, Medieval philosophy, Medieval Midrash, Kabbalah, and Hasidism.

Looking for more special events like this one? Stay tuned. We are planning more collaborative programming for the coming year. If you have programming ideas, we would love to hear from you! Please email Helene Geiger at [AdultEd@bethelyardley.org](mailto:AdultEd@bethelyardley.org) to open the conversation.

### **Did you miss a program?**



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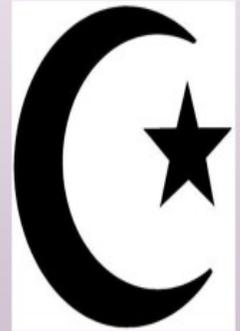
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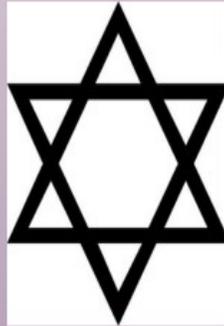
# Abrahamic Religions



**TUESDAYS**  
**April 26 - June 7**  
**with Harriet Freidenreich**



*In person*



*10:00am - 11:00am*

## Course Description

The Abrahamic Religions provides a brief introduction to the three western monotheistic religions, Judaism, Christianity and Islam, in comparative historical perspective. Topics will include: Holy Scriptures, beliefs and practices, ideas of G-d, religious sects and denominations, and gender roles. The course will combine lectures and discussion. Class participation will be welcome.

## About the facilitator

Harriet Freidenreich is professor emerita of history at Temple University in Philadelphia, where she taught a wide range of courses in Jewish history, European women's history and gender history. Her publications include *The Jews of Yugoslavia* and *Jewish Politics in Vienna*. Her most recent book is *Female, Jewish and Educated: The Lives of Central European University Women*. She is a member of the editorial board of *Jewish Women: A Comprehensive Historical Encyclopedia*.



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**May 2**



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Beth El present...

**BOOK**

**SIGNING**



**Jo**  
**Ivester**  
author & guest speaker

**once a girl, always a boy**  
a family memoir of a transgender journey

**TUESDAY**  
**MAY 24, 2022**

**7:00pm**  
**Informal meet & greet**

**7:30pm**  
**Discussion**

**8:30pm**  
**Book signing**

Virtual option registration

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To enter the building, you must  
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## BIOGRAPHY

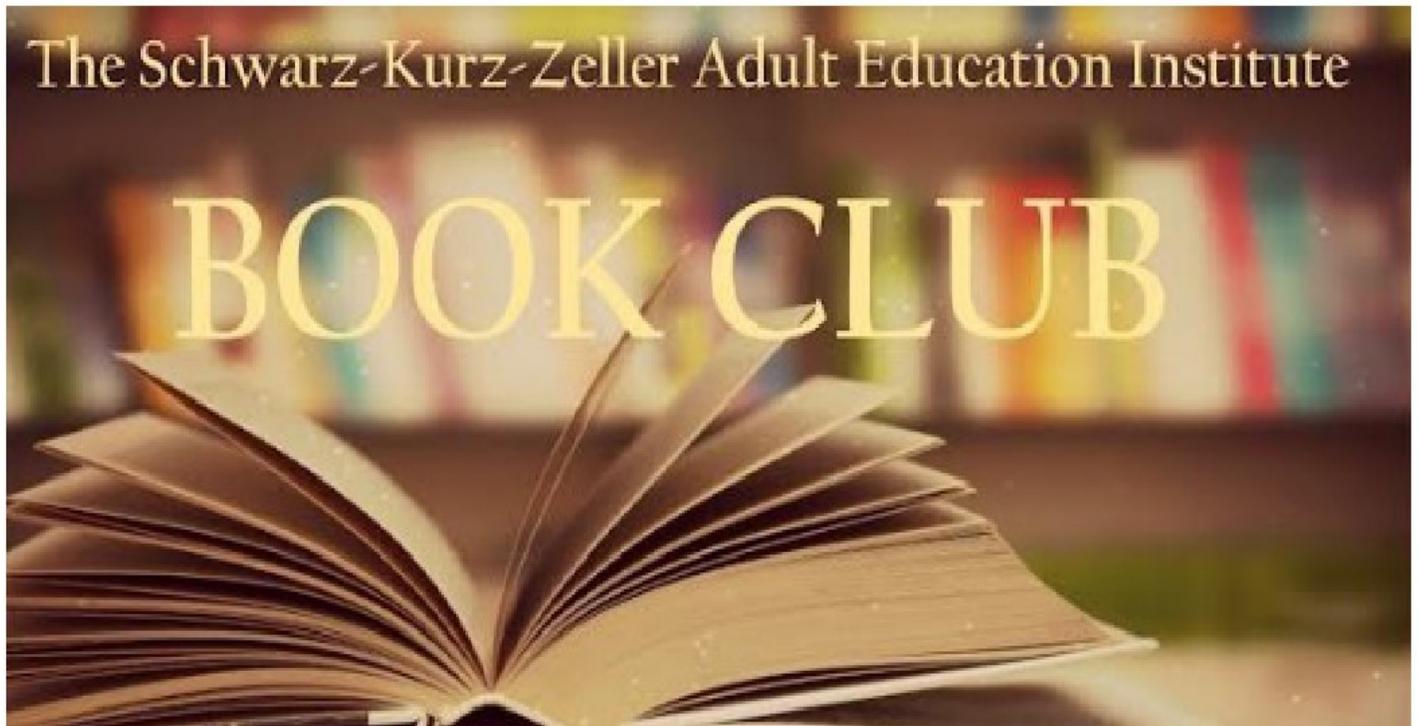
Jo Ivester is an author and speaker, focusing on LGBTQ & civil rights advocacy. She is an award winning author. She addresses a wide range of audiences, from small book clubs to entire schools, using her personal stories.

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**Thursday, May 26, 2022 at 7:45 PM on Virtual Beth El**

**The Cellist by Daniel Silva**

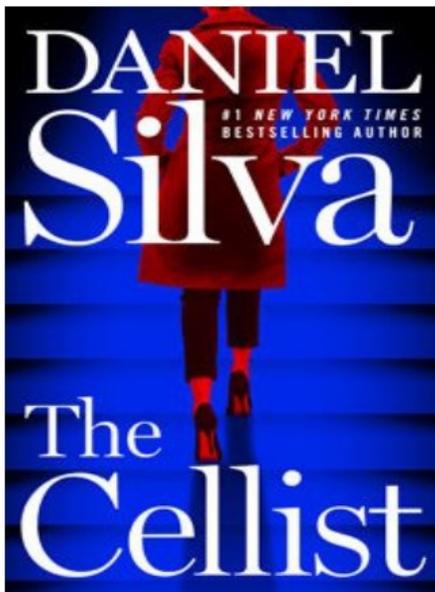
**Discussion Leader: Sheldon Miller**

**About the Book**

In this spy thriller, the daring assassination of a Russian agent inside his heavily guarded fortress in London sets off a hunt for the people behind it – and uncovers a far-reaching conspiracy with world-shaking consequences.

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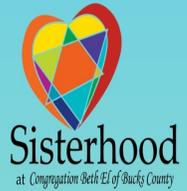


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**Thursday, May 19**

Location to be determined

Virtual evening minyan at 7:30pm followed by Torah on Tap.

For more information contact: Scott Kravitz; [mensclub@bethelyardley.org](mailto:mensclub@bethelyardley.org)



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**Tuesdays**

**May 10**

**June 7**

**4:00pm - 7:30pm**

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**Tuesday, May 3  
8:00pm**

**Register for Zoom meeting**

## Guest Speakers

**Debbie Wachspres  
(Congregation Beth El)**

**Pat McBee  
(Newtown Friends Meeting)**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1 (30 Nisan)</b> Rosh Chodesh Iyyar 15th Day Omer Morning Minyan 8:00am FULC (1st - 7*) 9:00am Wandering Jews: Uganda 10:00am Hamoadon 10:30am Bingo 12:00pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>2 (1 Iyyar)</b> Rosh Chodesh Iyyar 16th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Dive into Daven. 12:00pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm Executive Committee Meeting 8:00pm	<b>3 (2 Iyyar)</b> 17th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am The Abrahamic Religions 10:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Bucks County Interfaith Coalition for Refugee Resettlement Program 8:00pm	<b>4 (3 Iyyar)</b> Yom Hazikaron 18th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am A History of the Conservative Movement 10:00am FULC (3rd - 7th) 4:30pm Membership Committee Meeting 6:30pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>5 (4 Iyyar)</b> Yom Ha'Atzmaut 19th Day Omer Yom Ha'Atzmaut Program Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>6 (5 Iyyar)</b> 20th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Shabbat Evening Services 6:00pm Candle Lighting 7:41pm	<b>7 (6 Iyyar) Kedoshim</b> 21st Day Omer Shabbat Morning Services including Bar Mitzvah of Noah Kravitz E'nal Mitzvah University 10:00am TOT Shabbat 10:00am Havdalah 8:42pm
<b>8 (7 Iyyar)</b> 22nd Day Omer Mother's Day No FULC Morning Minyan 8:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>9 (8 Iyyar)</b> 23rd Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Sisterhood: "The Secret Torah of Women" 8:00pm	<b>10 (9 Iyyar)</b> 24th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am The Abrahamic Religions 10:00am Cook For a Friend 4:00pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>11 (10 Iyyar)</b> 25th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am A History of the Conservative Movement 10:00am FULC (3rd - 7th) 4:30pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>12 (11 Iyyar)</b> 26th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Great Debates 7:45pm	<b>13 (12 Iyyar)</b> 27th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Shabbat Evening Services 6:00pm Candle Lighting 7:48pm	<b>14 (13 Iyyar) Emor</b> 28th Day Omer Shabbat Morning Services including Bat Mitzvah of Maddie Levy 9:30am Havdalah 8:49pm
<b>15 (14 Iyyar)</b> Pesach Sheni 29th Day Omer Morning Minyan 8:00am FULC (1st - 7*) 9:00am Hamoadon 10:30am Bucks County Jewish Festival 12:00pm Sisterhood: Mixology & Mixer Event 4:00pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>16 (15 Iyyar)</b> 30th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Board of Directors Meeting 8:00pm	<b>17 (16 Iyyar)</b> 31st Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am The Abrahamic Religions 10:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>18 (17 Iyyar)</b> 32nd Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am A History of the Conservative Movement 10:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>19 (18 Iyyar)</b> Lag B'Omer 33rd Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Torah on Tap 8:00pm	<b>20 (19 Iyyar)</b> 34th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Kabbalat Shabbat unplugged with Ariel Wyner including FULC Kabbalat Siddur 6:00pm Candle Lighting 7:55pm	<b>21 (20 Iyyar) Behar</b> 35th Day Omer Shabbat Morning Services led by Ariel Wyner 9:30am Guest speaker: Regina K. Levin 9:30am Luncheon 12:00pm Havdalah 8:56pm
<b>22 (21 Iyyar)</b> 36th Day Omer Morning Minyan 8:00am Bagels & Schmoorze 11:15am Ariel & Sofia Wyner Concert 12:00pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>23 (22 Iyyar)</b> 37th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>24 (23 Iyyar)</b> 38th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am The Abrahamic Religions 10:00am Evening Minyan 7:00pm Guest Author: Jo Ivester 7:30pm Discussion 7:30pm Book signing 8:30pm	<b>25 (24 Iyyar)</b> 39th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am A History of the Conservative Movement 10:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>26 (25 Iyyar)</b> 40th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Book Club 7:45pm	<b>27 (26 Iyyar)</b> 41st Day Omer Shabbat Evening Services including Shiru L'Adonai The National Jewish Committee on Scouting Macabee Emblem Award Presentation to Eli Fishbein Candle Lighting 8:01pm	<b>28 (27 Iyyar) Bechukotai</b> Shabbat Mevarchim 42nd Day Omer Shabbat Morning Services including Bat Mitzvah of Avigail Wus 9:30am Havdalah 9:02pm
<b>29 (28 Iyyar)</b> Yom Yenukhalayim 43rd Day Omer Morning Minyan 8:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm	<b>30 (29 Iyyar)</b> 44th Day Omer Office Closed Memorial Day Morning Minyan 7:00am	<b>31 (1 Sivan)</b> Rosh Chodesh Sivan 45th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am The Abrahamic Religions 10:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm				

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<p><b>5 (6 Sivan)</b> Shavuot - 1st Day Shavuot Services. 9:30am Candle Lighting 9:07pm Havdalah</p>	<p><b>6 (7 Sivan)</b> Shavuot Yizkor Office Closed Shavuot Services. 9:30am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Havdalah 9:08pm</p>	<p><b>7 (8 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7:00am The Abrahamic Religions 10:00am Cook For a Friend 4:00pm Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>1 (2 Sivan)</b> 46th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Annual Meeting 8:00pm</p>	<p><b>2 (3 Sivan)</b> 47th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Annual Meeting 8:00pm</p>	<p><b>3 (4 Sivan)</b> 48th Day Omer Morning Minyan 7:00am Shabbat Evening Services 6:00pm Candle Lighting 8:06pm</p>	<p><b>4 (5 Sivan)</b> Bamidbar Erev Shavuot 49th Day Omer Shabbat Morning Services 9:30am Farewell &amp; Best Wishes to Rabbi Weiss following services candle lighting 9:07pm</p>
<p><b>12 (13 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 8:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>13 (14 Sivan)</b> Evening Minyan 7:30pm Executive Committee Meeting 8:00pm</p>	<p><b>14 (15 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>15 (16 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>16 (17 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>17 (18 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7:00am Shabbat Evening Services 6:00pm Candle Lighting 8:13pm</p>	<p><b>18 (19 Sivan)</b> Beha'lotcha Shabbat Morning Services 9:30am Havdalah 9:14pm</p>
<p><b>19 (20 Sivan)</b> Father's Day Morning Minyan 8:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>20 (21 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm Board of Directors Meeting 8:00pm</p>	<p><b>21 (22 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>22 (23 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>23 (24 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>24 (25 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7:00am Shabbat Evening Services including Shiru l'Adonai 6:00pm Candle Lighting 8:15pm</p>	<p><b>25 (26 Sivan)</b> Sh'lach Shabbat Mevarchim Shabbat Morning Services 9:30am Havdalah 9:15pm</p>
<p><b>26 (27 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 8:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>27 (28 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>28 (29 Sivan)</b> Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>29 (30 Sivan)</b> Rosh Chodesh Tammuz Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>30 (1 Tammuz)</b> Rosh Chodesh Tammuz Morning Minyan 7:00am Evening Minyan 7:30pm</p>		

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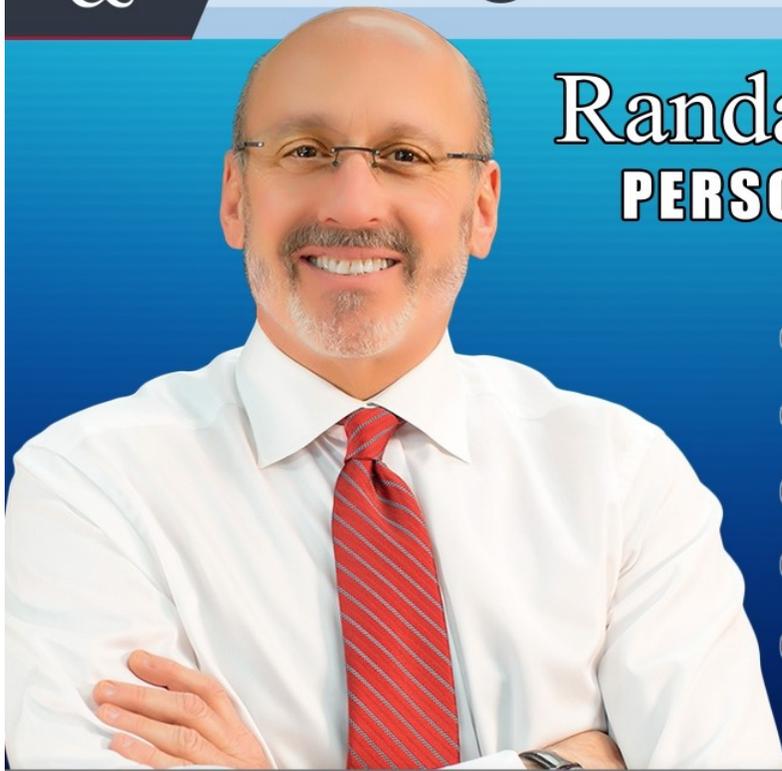
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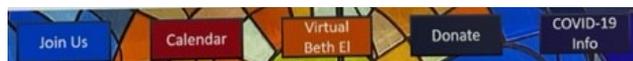
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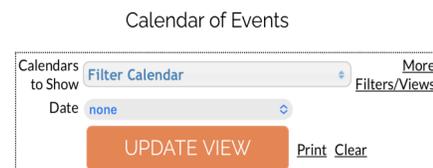
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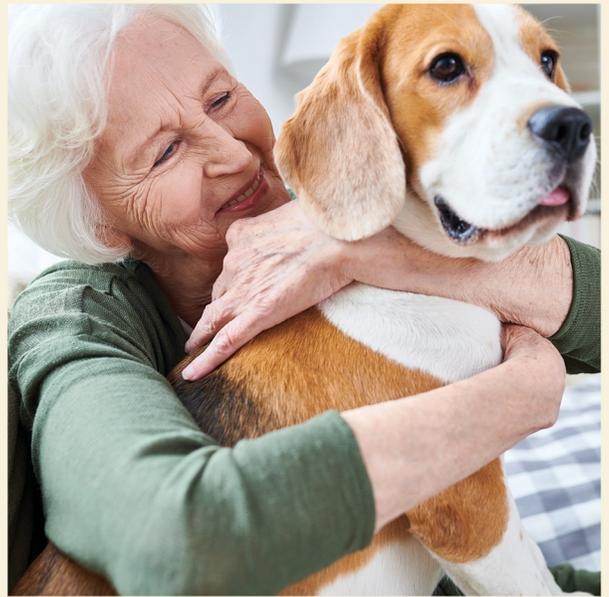
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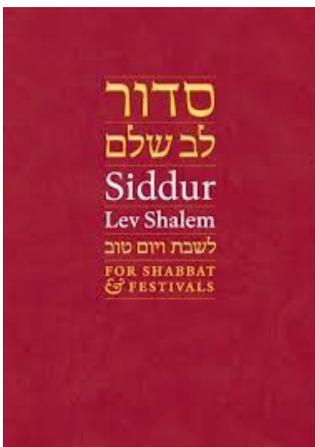
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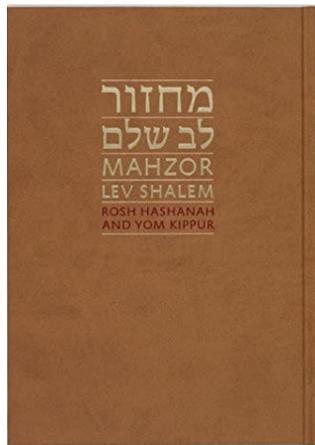
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