

Annual Turkey Train and Side Dish Drive

Sunday, November 21 | 11:00 am—12:15 pm

Donate frozen turkeys (non-kosher accepted) to the families of the Valencia Newcomer School and the Vista Colina Family Emergency Shelter!

Side Dish Items needed:

Cans of Yams
Boxes of Stuffing Mix
Boxes of Mashed Potatoes
Boxes of Corn Bread

Cans of Green Beans
Cans of Corn
Packets of Gravy
Boxes of Mac & Cheese

Boxes of Jell-O mix
Cans of Cranberry Sauce
Bags of Rolls/Bread
Containers of Lemonade or Fruit Drink Mix

Thank you for helping Talmud Torah and the Social Action Committee help those in need!



Beth El Services

SERVICES

PLEASE NOTE:

In light of the everchanging circumstances, details concerning services may change during the month. Please consult our weekly Shabbat email for the most current information.

Tol'dot Saturday, November 6

Bar Mitzvah Ari Lipshultz 9:30 am Shabbat Shaharit*

5:30 pm Zoomdalah - Dance into the week

6:03 pm Havdalah

6:00 pm Musical Ma'ariv & Havdalah

Va-yetzei Saturday, November 13

Birthday Shabbat

Aufruf of Cantor Jonathan Angress & Mayra Ramos

9:30 am Shabbat Shaharit**

5:30 pm Zoomdalah - Dance into the week

5:58 pm Havdalah

6:00 pm Musical Ma'ariv & Havdalah

Va-yishlah Saturday, November 20

9:30 am Traditional Shabbat Shaharit Services**

5:30 pm Zoomdalah - Dance into the week

5:54 pm Havdalah

6:00 pm Musical Ma'ariv & Havdalah

Va-yeishev Shabbat Mevarchim Chodesh Tevet **Saturday, November 27** Anniversary Shabbat

9:30 am Shabbat Shaharit**

5:30 pm Zoomdalah - Dance into the week

5:52 pm Havdalah

6:00 pm Musical Ma'ariv & Havdalah

Kabbalat Shabbat every Friday at 5:45 pm

Candlelighting times:

Friday, November 5 | 5:14 pm Friday, November 12 | 5:09 pm

Friday, November 19 | 5:05 pm

Friday, November 26 | 5:02 pm

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

Shabbat Shaharit Saturdays | 9:30 am

**Live and in-person.

Virtual access through Beth El's Facebook page at: facebook.com/bethel.phoenix

Daily Minyan and Kabbalat Shabbat* Monday - Friday 7:15 am and 5:45 pm **Sunday 8:15 am and 5:45 pm**

Join us on your computer, tablet, or cellphone at the following link: https://zoom.us/j/92408568672

ZOOM information for Daily Minyan & **Kabbalat Shabbat Services:**

Meeting ID: 924 0856 8672

Passcode: minvan

Call in: (253) 215-8782 Call in Passcode: 649433

MINYAN TIME CHANGES:

Friday, November 5 | 7:00 am (Rosh Chodesh) Thursday, November 11 | 8:15 am (Veteran's Day) Thursday, November 25 | 8:15 am (Thanksgiving) Friday, November 26 | 8:15 am (Thanksgiving) Monday, November 29 | 7:00 am (Hanukkah) Tuesday, November 30 | 7:00 am (Hanukkah)

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Adult Education & **Programming**

Register at bethelphoenix.com or call (602) 944-3359

11/1 & 11/15



Mondays | 6:30 pm Hebrew 102



Meeting link: zoom.us/j/659102971

Call in: (669) 900-6833

11/4, 11/11 & 11/18

The World of Talmud Thursdays | 8:00 am

Learn Talmud with Rabbi Stein Kokin Email rabbi@bethelphoenix.com to register and receive source sheets

Meeting link: zoom.us/j/92408568672 Call in: (669) 900-6833

11/10



"Rabbi Reads" Wednesday | 6:45 pm

Rabbi Stein Kokin will discuss Yossi Klein Halevi's "Letters to my Palestinian neighbor"

Meeting link: zoom.us/j/948321834 | Call in: (669) 900-6833

11/11

Response to Rising Anti-Semitism



Thursday | 12:00 pm Zoom ONLY



Learn with Paul Rockower from the JCRC and Mark Crell from the ADL.

Meeting link: zoom.us/j/92408568672

11/14 & 11/28



Blanket Boosters Sundays | 1:00 pm



Volunteer crochet and knitting club! All blankets created are donated to those in need. Meeting link: zoom.us/j/92408568672 Call in: (669) 900-6833

11/18

LUNCH & LEARN: THE JUDGES THURSDAYS @ 12:00 PM



Join Wendy Rozov and your Beth El friends for a hybrid learning session. Study the Book of Judges with us! In person available without lunch.

Register with Wendy @ wrozov@bethelphoenix.com Meeting link: zoom.us/j/881238825 | Call in: (669) 900-6833

11/21

Chai Tea Women's Study Group Sunday | 12:30 pm

What's in Your Jewish Spiritual Toolbox? There are many Jewish spiritual practices that allow us to open ourselves to find the holy in our lives. Hybrid learning sessions. In-person at Beth El.

Meeting link: zoom.us/j/948321834 | Call in: (669) 900-6833

11/29

VBM x Beth El: Hannukah in the Bible? Monday | 1:00 pm

Join Beth El and Valley Beit Midrash for this co-hosted event with a presentation by Marc Zvi Brettler.

Register with VBM: http://tinyurl.com/yyzf8ta5



Rabbi

This month we will celebrate our Cantor Jonathan Angress and his fiancée Mayra Ramos as they tie the knot! It's been a long wait for them as they postponed their wedding for a whole year because of the pan-A. Nitzan Stein Kokin demic. We are thrilled and excited for them, and happy that we can celebrate together as a community at

their Aufruf on the Shabbat before the Chuppah, November 13 at 9:30 am.

Every wedding strikes an intriguing balance between the intimate commitment uniting two loving people and the communal celebration of the covenant they enter. Halachically speaking, only two witnesses are needed to render a marriage valid, but we need a public quorum - a Minyan - to recite the Sheva Berachot, the Seven Blessings, which conclude the ceremony just before the groom steps on the glass. And even more striking is the fact that the majority of the seven blessings are not even directly concerned with the couple or their wedding. Rather, they invoke some of the grand themes of Judaism: creation, peoplehood, Jeruslaem, even redemption. Let's take a look at these blessings in the modern translation of Gilah Langner:

Sheva Brachot

- 1. Blessed are you, God, who brings forth fruit from the vine.
- 2. Blessed are you, God, who shapes the universe. All things created speak of your glory.
- 3. Blessed are you, Holy One, who fashions each person.
- 4. We bless you, God, for forming each person in your image. You have planted within us a vision of you and given us the means that we may flourish through time. Blessed are you, Creator of humanity.
- 5. May Israel, once bereft of her children, now delight as they gather together in joy. Blessed are you, God, who lets Zion rejoice with her children.
- 6. Let these loving friends taste of the bliss you gave to the first man and woman in the Garden of Eden in the days of old. Blessed are you, the Presence, who dwells with bride and groom in delight.
- 7. Blessed are You, who lights the world with happiness and contentment, love and companionship, peace and friendship, bridegroom and bride. Let the mountains of

¹ cf. pp.137-144 "The Jewish Wedding Now" by Anita Diamant.

Israel dance! Let the gates of Jerusalem ring with the sounds of joy, song, merriment, and delight — the voice of the groom and the voice of the bride, the happy shouts of their friends and companions. We bless you, God, who brings bride and groom together to rejoice in each other.

If you read closely you noticed that only the last two blessings return to focus on the bride and groom. In the arc spanning creation and redemption, the Chuppah becomes the center point between our origins and our future. In their entirety, the seven blessings then 'place the couple under the canopy at the very center of Jewish history and belief.' 2

Gilah Langner writes in the introduction to her translation: "Resonating with echoes of creation and paradise, the blessings are an astonishing mixture of public and private joy. A longing for national redemption mingles with the redemptive power of personal love. [...] Weddings are moments of fulfillment and largesse, moments when the personal love of two people expands and overflows, touching friends and family, and drawing closer the community that witnesses and participates in the wedding. When the fullness of God's blessing washes over us - in an act that perhaps God too needs - we can lift up our heads, smile within our souls, and bless God back. And so complete the circle of blessing in the world." 3

Please join me in blessing Cantor Angress and Mayra Ramos that they may feel the fullness of God's blessings on their wedding day and every day of their married life together! May they return to the overflowing joy of their wedding day on days ahead that might be difficult. And as a small token of appreciation and inspiration, I would like to offer them and of all us this anonymous bless-

May we be loving and generous with one another. May we find strength to face life's challenges. May we seek balance in our lives and harmony in our home.

May we always nurture each other's passions. May we see beauty in all places and in all people. May our lives be founded on truth and commitment to justice.

May we be fully present to each other and to the wonder of life.

Author unknown

MAZAL TOV! Rabbi Nitzan Stein Kokin

² Ibid.

³ http://kerem.org/a-taste-of-kerem/seven-weddingblessings/

Jonathan Angress Cantor

"Ani L'dodi V'dodi Li - I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine."

This verse which comes from *Shir Hashirim* - The Song of Songs, is one that is used in Jewish weddings, commitment ceremonies, and *ketubot* (wedding contracts) all over the world. *Shir Hashirim* itself is viewed as a se-

ries of love poems either between a man and a woman or between man and God. And therefore, it is only appropriate that a piece of text is taken from this *megillah* as part of the ritual and liturgy of the modern day Jewish wedding.

When recited as part of the wedding ceremony, the verse is mainly spoken and not sung. But when chanted as part of The Song of Songs, there is a special trope, or cantillation, used for the recitation of this book. The trope is also the same as used for the books of Kohelet (Ecclesiastes) and the Book of Ruth. Motivically, the melody of these three books is very similar to the special melody that Ashkenazi communities use to chant Shirat Havam - The Song of the Sea in the Torah. Musically, the melody starts out in the major mode and then weaves in and out of minor and major. Judaically, the major mode denotes majesty (as opposed to happiness in many other western cultures) whereas the minor mode denotes happiness in addition to it being one of the typical Jewish modes. One could ascertain that the cantillation is demonstrating not only the majesty and happiness that sprouts from the love between two people, but also the innate "ups and downs" that exist between relationships of all kinds, demonstrated by the modes changing between major and minor.

By the time you read this article, we will be days away from our special wedding day. Both Mayra and I want to thank you, our Beth El community, for all the love and support you have shown and given us over the past few years and we look forward to continuing to share our family, and hopefully grow our family, with you. My family in Florida which includes my parents, Mindy and Daniel, my sister Sarah, and my grandmother Florence are also very excited to come to Phoenix and celebrate this special day with us. And I know that my grandfather Irwin (z"l) and my nana Celia (z"l) will also be celebrating with us from *Olam Habah* - the world to come.

Once again, thank you all for being the dynamic and loving community that you always are.

With love, Cantor Angress and Mayra Ramos

Bar Mitzvah

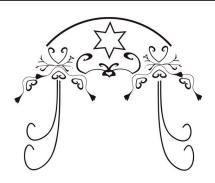


Ari David Lipschultz will be called to to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on November 6. Ari is the son of Rabbi Jeffrey and Naomi Lipschultz. Grandparents are Charles & Shirley Grossman, Marilyn Mitchell and Donn Kessler of Phoenix.

Ari is an 8th grader at Pardes Jewish Day School. He enjoys traveling, playing piano, hanging out with his younger brothers, Alex and Asher, and playing strategic video games. He wants to be a video game designer and takes computer programming classes after school.

For his mitzvah project, Ari is volunteering with Gesher, formerly known as the Council for Jews with Special Needs. His uncle Stuart, who is deaf-blind, has been an active member of Gesher for many years.

Please consider making a donation to Gesher in honor of Ari's Bar Mitzvah at www.gesherdr.org.



Aufruf Blessing

Mayra Ramos and Cantor Jonathan Angress will be married on Sunday, November 14. They will be called to the Torah as a bride and groom for their Aufruf blessing on Saturday, November 13 at 9:30 am, during Shabbat morning services. Mayra is the daughter of Elva and Lorenzo Camarillo and Cantor Jonathan is the son of Mindy and Daniel Angress.





Gregory Harris Board President

Scanning the Horizon

With the High Holidays receding from view – but not from memory – and the other new year approaching, we turn our attention to the horizon, and beyond: both the places where we're going and to the places where we've been. We do this for a host of reasons. To anticipate what's next. To take stock of our goals. To make sure that we've done our part to involve

others. To work together as a team to help make our dreams come true.

But in looking forward, we cannot make the mistake of looking only to future. The past is not just any guide. The past triggers memories which fill us with the wisdom of experience, a force which makes it possible for us recognize that when we work together, we have the means to help shape our destiny. Each of us has the power to bend the curve and chart the path to be taken in the many services, programs and mitzvot that we undertake at Beth El. Our past instructs us, it enriches us, it informs us, it comforts us – and yes, at times it torments us – but the one thing the past does not do is bind us.

Beth El's leaders are a band, but we are not a one-person band. And yes, like others before me - and those who also will be entrusted with the responsibility to serve as Beth El's president, embrace this role and this vision. Clearly, the responsibility for initiative and follow through falls most clearly on our leaders - to the person in charge. But this is true no matter where we are at any given moment. When we have questions about spiritual guidance and halacha, and in our most trying moments, we turn to Rabbi Stein Kokin. When we need to schedule an event, we call our Executive Director. And when we have ideas about what we'd like Beth El to achieve and how it's going to be accomplished, we turn to our President and other lay leaders of the congregation.

Lately - now there's an understatement - we've been spending a great deal of time on COVID-19. With any luck and maybe some magic, this thing will soon be a thing of the past - and that can't come soon enough. As a team, we have worked together to anticipate and plan to make adjustments in response to this crisis. We have taken stock of our goals, developed a plan with input and contributions from others. In this, we have been fortunate to have leaders in this field to help guide us. Dr. Scott Steingard, Dr. Steve Nathan and Alana Berrett have each contributed invaluably in order to guide us through this episode. Their subject matter expertise has allowed our entire staff to raise questions and receive answers to the many questions that have come from members, visitors, and fellow employees about what we can do, what we need to do, and what we can do better to support our congregation. This is not an easy task. And because so much is at stake, opinions are diverse and emotions can run high. Through it all, Scott, Steve and Alana have been a steady presence in our midst, and together with the full membership of the COVID-19 Task Force, have kept us grounded in a reality that continues to test our resilience. We are indeed extremely appreciative beneficiaries of their devotion to Beth El and its

members.

We scan the horizon – and the news. Even if there never had been a COVID, we'd still have much to accomplish and challenges to meet. But meet them, we will. After all, a synagogue's work is never done, and Beth El's need for your strength, commitment and energy never wanes.

Please stay healthy!

L'shalom, Greg Harris President



GIFT SHOP NEWS

HANUKKAH OH HANUKKAH COME LIGHT THE MENORAH

Hanukkah starts November 28

We have a wonderful variety of Hanukkiahs - traditional, modern, electric, and oil. Do not forget the candles! We have candles from Israel and Candles for a Cause which are pink for breast cancer, multi-color for Autism, and camouflage to help provide kosher meals for our troops. Also available are dreidels, decorations, cookie cutters, and more.

We are always stocked with Shabbat candles, candlesticks, kiddush cups, challah trays, havdalah candles, memorial candles, tallit sets, and kippot.

REASONS TO SHOP AT OUR GIFT SHOP:

- 1. Amazing merchandise
- Convenient
- 3. No sales tax
- 4. Support BETH EL

Gift Shop is open during Beth El's office hours







Alicia Moskowitz Executive Director

November is here and it is a month that includes many collective expressions of gratitude. Gratitude is a wonderful quality to possess, practice, and experience. I highly recommend increasing the practice of gratitude in your daily routine, and there are some excellent opportunities coming up with which to begin!

The first opportunity for gratitude is Veteran's Day which will be celebrated on Thursday, November 11. As we honor the sacrifices of those who have had the honor to serve our country, we express our gratitude to them and to their families for all they have done to keep us safe. In this spirit, Beth El's office will be closed on Veteran's Day.

Each year, the City of Phoenix and the Honoring America's Veterans organization present the Veteran's Day Parade. It begins on November 11 at 11:00 am and the parade route starts in North Central Phoenix at Montebello and Central Ave. and travels south along Central to Camelback to 7th St., ending up at the VA on 7th St. and Indian School. The Cub Scout Pack that meets at Beth El along with their Charter Organization, the Jewish War Veterans Post 210 (JWV) will be in the parade riding on a large military vehicle. Come by and wave to us as we drive by in this fun and meaningful event.

The Cub Scout Pack and JWV will also gather at the Beth El Cemetery to put flags on the graves of all the veterans who are buried there. The Scouts take their time in identifying the correct places to put the flags and to pick up anything that does not belong in the cemetery while there.

The other big holiday that gives us a chance to show how grateful we are is, of course, Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is a harvest festival, like Sukkot, and has origins in Judaism.

When the colonists survived crossing the great expanse of the ocean and a tough winter in their promised land, they reached into Jewish Scrip ture, found the harvest festival of Sukkot and cre ated Thanksgiving. The word "turkey" comes from the Hebrew, "tuki," (a big bird) and the focus on a family meal in which prayers of thanksgiving are offered for God's bounty and protection during the exodus, belies its Jewish origins.

By Rabbi Barry Silver | Sun Sentinal November 12, 2019

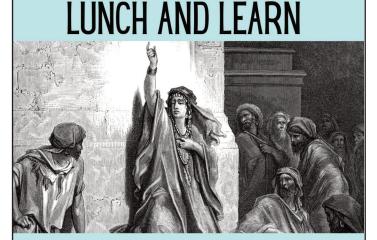
At Beth El, Thanksgiving time means mitzvah time in the form of our Annual Turkey Train and Side Dish Drive. Our Talmud Torah is teaming up with the Social Action Committee to collect frozen turkeys and non-perishable side dishes and ingredients to donate to our friends at the Valencia Newcomer School and the Vista Colina Family Emergency Shelter. Let's show how grateful we are by providing for others who need a helping hand.

I would like to end by mentioning the things I am most grateful for this November- my incredible family, our collective health and happiness, and our warm, caring Beth El Community.

Happy Thanksgiving!







THE JUDGES

WHO WERE THE SHOFTIM OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE BEFORE THE MONARCHY ROSE? THEY WERE WARRIORS, MILITARY LEADERS, PROPHETS, MEDIATORS, AND LONE VIGILANTES. THIS SEASON WE STUDY THE BOOK OF JUDGES, PART OF NEVIIM (THE PROPHETS) THAT ENCOMPASSES THE PERIOD FROM JOSHUA'S DEATH TO THE ANOINTING OF SAUL. GET A GOOD TASTE OF WHAT A PREFERRED LEADER MAY, OR MAY NOT, BE LIKE

THURSDAYS AT 12:00 PM 2021 Dates: 10/21, 11/18, 12/16, 2022 Dates: 1/20, 2/17, 3/17, 4/21, 5/12,

ZOOM ID: 881 238 825

Nanci Siegel Manson Talmud Torah Director

The B'nai Mitzvah

We celebrate our children as they begin to emerge into adulthood through the B'nai Mitzvah process. Students of our Talmud Torah learn Jewish traditions, practice reading and reciting Torah, study texts, and take their place on the stage of Jewish life. We want our

children, parents and teachers both, to love being Jewish, to feel empowered to continue their Jewish learning and to begin assembling the Jewish toolkit to live a Jewish life.

One should know that this ceremony for a child coming of age (age 12 for girls and age 13 for boys) is not required nor is the celebration an "obligation" that is automatic. But since becoming a bar/bat mitzvah is such an important milestone and joyous occasion, it's popular for families and friends to celebrate this lifecycle event together.

We are excited to have several of our students become B'nai Mitzvah this year. We hope that you check the Beth El calendar and join us in support of our students as they lead us from the Bima in prayer and more as they begin their life-long journey of Jewish learning, study and participation in the larger Jewish community.

Mazel tov to you all!





Pictured above: Talmud Torah prepares meals for asylum seekers.

Joanie Charnow Preschool Director

Preschool News

The weather is finally cooling off enough for our classes to use the playground for an outdoor classroom as well as sports and free choice.

Our school has applied to participate in a study be done by the ASU Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation.

It is called the Back to ECE Safely with Sage Project. Sage features a garden-based physical activity and nutrition education that improves the ECE environment, promotes physical activity and healthy eating. It is funded by the National Institute of Health's Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. This project helps the school by providing a gardening curriculum which includes basic garden maintenance (watering, identifying problems, and identifying pests) to promote sustainability of the garden. They will provide and help us set up new above-ground garden boxes as well as renovate our old ones. They will also give us \$300 to continue the upkeep and growth of the garden itself. All that this program encompasses is important to me for our children. If we are not chosen to participate in this program, we will use our own fundraising money and donations to update our current garden.

Our classes love playing outside, watering the plants, and watching them grow. They also like watching and following the bugs that visit the vegetables. In the past we have grown parsley for our class's model Passover Seder and even sent some home with the children. Right now, the garden is overgrown with mint. This program will help us learn which vegetables we should plant and when and how to care for them.

With Hanukkah so close to Thanksgiving this year we can combine important lessons like Thanksgiving, tzedakah, mitzvot, and Hanukkah - a time for remembering. It is never too early to teach our young children about ethics and values. Teaching kindness and caring are an integral part of all our early childhood curriculum. Being thankful for what we have, having respectful kindness and empathy for our family, friends, and our community is the foundation we want all children to learn.

During November, the classes will collect tzedakah for a JFCS family so they will be able to have a nice holiday. We collect food for the food banks so they will be able to feed hungry families a Thanksgiving dinner. Giving them this foundation to love to learn, to care for each other and take care of those who need help is not only important during these holidays but for every day living.











Beth El Announcements

Yom Huledet Same'ach to our November Birthdays Date

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- 2 Christie Walzer
- 5 Eileen Bloom Erez Kessler
- 8 Linda Barzilai
- 9 Dean Behboodi
- 10 Emily Mallin
- 13 Leon Zeitzer Daniel Witenstein
- 14 Risa Mallin Wendy Olsen
- 15 Scott Steingard
- 20 Bithia Chavez
- 21 David Goldfarb Phyllis Fotinos
- 22 Jeanne Milstein
- 23 Phillip Jalowiec
- 24 Steven Gelbart Sheldon Dashefsky Edlyn Soderman
- 25 Saul Elias
- 26 Bernard Harris Paula Abromovitz
- 27 Lara Goldfarb
- 28 Danit Polunsky Renee Hecht
- 29 Rhoda Morris Myrna Ross

Birthday Shabbat is November 13



Mazal Tov to our November Anniversaries

te Year	rs Married
Naomi & Jeffrey Lipshultz	18
Michell & Gary Sorely	6
Froma & Max Allen	59
Cheryl & Phillip Jalowiec	41
Esther & Benjamin Zlochowe	r 71
Carrie & David Melkin	17
Evie & Daniel Rosen	1
Rebecca & Sean Karlin	20
Leslie & Ben Cooper	29
Barbara Lewkowitz &	36
Geoffrey Gonsher	
	Naomi & Jeffrey Lipshultz Michell & Gary Sorely Froma & Max Allen Cheryl & Phillip Jalowiec Esther & Benjamin Zlochowe Carrie & David Melkin Evie & Daniel Rosen Rebecca & Sean Karlin Leslie & Ben Cooper Barbara Lewkowitz &

Anniversary Shabbat is November 27

Please note: If your name is not listed, please contact us so that we can update your information in our database.

Mazal Tov to:

Debbie Gordon and Michael Wheeler on the birth of their granddaughter, Audrey Iris Gordon, born on September 18. Parents are David & Jenny Gordon.



Thank you for the following Beth El Contributions:

General Fund

A thoughtful contribution Steven & Elaine Casselman Michael Lewis Michael Smith Garik & Ester Zavlunov Thanks for the Talmud and Hebrew classes Ruth Callahan

In honor of the Kever Avot service

Gary Goodman In appreciation of the High Holiday honors Rose Hirsch For the speedy & complete recovery of Leah Wiesen

Joan Rothfeld For the speedy recovery of Mel

Geraldine Travis In memory of Shawn Naughton Barry & Jody Aarons In memory of Stuart Charlip Herman Charlip In memory of H.M. Dreiseszun

Patti & Herb Dreiseszun In memory of Helen Ernst Ira & Edwin Ernst

In memory of Ted Ditchek Sissy & Burt Follman & family

In memory of Rita Rosen Joseph Gelb

In memory of Maurice Fischer Maury Jessner

In memory of Bessie Lasner Bart Lasner

In memory of Jerry Kinsler Bart Lasner

In memory of Sam Lasner Bart Lasner

In memory of Michelle Sydne Newman

Marcia Newman & The Newman Family In memory of Leatrice Solon

Diane & Greg Posniack In memory of Lynette Reiss Martin Reiss

In memory of Bryna Canin Jerry Rosen

In memory of Virginia Serbin Cynthia Serbin-DuBrow & Edward DuBrow

In memory of Mary Wernick Howard & Noreen Wernick
In memory of Louis W. Zack
Gerald Zack

William Zack

In memory of Harold Ziskin Dan Ziskin

Merrin-Cohen Israel Scholarship Fund

In appreciation of Roberta Harmon Anita Griffith

Rabbi Stein Kokin's **Discretionary Fund**

A thoughtful contribution Melody & Anthony Lamon Robert & Marilyn Saretsky In honor of Beth El's clergy for Shabbat & Holiday presentations

IFCS Senior Center In appreciation of Rabbi Stein

Cynthia Serbin DuBrow & Edward DuBrow In appreciation of our Torah honor

Dan & Shelli Silver In honor of his October birthday

Meľ Isaac In honor of Rabbi Stein Kokin Ron & Leisah Woldoff In memory of Augusta Gershman

Annette Sarrazine In memory of Marty Friedman Annette Sarrazine

In memory of Joan Sitver Morton Sitver

In memory of Mort Weiner Arlene Weiner

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Michael S. Schwartz Preschool Fund

In honor of Linda Barzilai Irving & Esther Kozinets

Music Fund

In memory of Albert Antonowsky Meryl, Rich, Matt & Loren Weiss

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In honor of Rabbi Stein Kokin Susan Hinton

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In honor of Marin Shay Pittinsky's Bat Mitzvah Paula & Gary Abromovitz Merle Jeanne Milstein In honor of Luke Nathan Pittinsky's Bar Mitzvah

Paula & Gary Abromovitz Merle Jeanne Milstein In honor of Sandra Levy's birthday

Harriet Peck In memory of Manuel & Margaret Berman

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A thoughtful contribution Arthur Orman & Martha Rozen In honor of Cantor Angress Charlotte Adelman In appreciation of Cantor Angress Ron & Leisah Woldoff

In memory of Joan Sitver Morton Sitver

In memory of Mort Weiner Susan Weiner

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In memory of Robert Cohen Anna Cohen In memory of Jeanette Cohen Anna Čohen In memory of Harvey Kuperman

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In memory of Milton Shapiro Jerome Shapiro In memory of Samuel Rothman

Janet Rothman Sickler In memory of Belle Naiman Noreen Wernick

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In honor of his September birthday

Irwin Battock In honor of their September anniversaries

Paula & Gary Abromovitz Barbara & Bruce Holzman In honor of their October birthdays

David Amster Lou Goldstein Daniel Kahn Marvin Siegel In honor of their October anniversary

Kim & John Mertens In honor of Daniel Rosen's birthday

Charlotte Adelman In honor of Rona Goldman's birthday

Charlotte Adelman In honor of Chervl & David Rosen's 39th anniversary

Charlotte Adelman In honor of Lisa & Gary Serbin's anniversary

Charlotte Adelman In honor of Barbara & Bruce Holzman's anniversary

Charlotte Adelman In memory of Sarah Ada Webner

Gerald & Caryll Webner In memory of Saide Michael Gerald & Caryll Webner

Yizkor Appeal

Charlotte Adelman Carolyn Friedman In memory of Frederick Mendelsohn

Sue & David Rosen

Yahrzeit Fund

In memory of Stuart H. Aarons Barry & Jody Aarons

In memory of Dorothy Axelrod Irene Axelrod

In memory of Rose Rokeach Baumrind

Ann Baumrind

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