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High Holidays

L'shana Tova!

We look forward to seeing everyone during the High Holidays.

Please see page 2 of this Bulletin for all of the opportunities to gather together at B'nai Jacob.

B'nai Jacob Bulletin

Since 1912 ... Celebrating 100+ Years



MAZEL TOV TO YOU AND L'CHAIM!

Can you believe it? The oldest man in the world is celebrating his Bar Mitzvah! Not only is this 113-year old Yisrael Kristal having his Bar Mitzvah ceremony, but he has made the Guinness Book of Records for being the oldest man. Moreover, Yisrael is a Holocaust survivor, and he lives in Israel! *(See photo on next page.)*

If you are wondering why he didn't have any observance of his Bar Mitzvah at 13, the answer is that Yisrael Kristal experienced many tragedies in his young life. He became of age during World War I. His mother had already died when Yisrael was 10, and his father had been taken away, conscripted into the Russian army.

Although born in Zarnow, Poland, he and his family moved to Lodz in 1920. There he continued to work in the candy business owned by his family. The Nazis conquered and during their reign of terror, Yisrael lost his two children. In 1944, he and his wife of 25 years were deported to Auschwitz. There she was murdered by the Nazis...

After the Shoah, Yisrael eventually remarried. In 1950, he and his wife and son moved to Haifa. There once again he worked as a confectioner.

Today, Yisrael not only has a son and daughter, but many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He has a message for us as we approach Rosh Hashana. Having experienced a long but terribly tragic life, Yisrael when was asked for his secret to longevity answered: "I don't know the secret for long life. I believe that everything is determined from above and we shall never know the reasons why. There have been smarter,

stronger and better-looking men than me who are no longer alive. All that is left for us to do is to keep on working as hard as we can and rebuild what is lost."

I am ever astounded by what these amazing survivors of the Shoah teach us. We all need to focus on his teaching: "All that is left for us to do is to keep on working hard as we can and rebuild what is lost."

A colleague of mine, Rabbi Jeffrey Miller, shared a beautiful insight about another elder of our people, namely Abraham. How at the age of 99, he answered the call to look forward in life to experience new challenges, new growth. For it was at the age of 99 that Abraham established the covenant with Hashem through the mitzvah of the brit milah. Imagine at 99! It was at this time that he was told that he and Sarah would become parents in their old age! Thus Abraham at 100 and Sarah at 90 were blessed with their child Isaac!

We are given a window into Abraham's life when we witness how he, Sarah and his family served with so much energy the visiting strangers shortly after his brit. We see the compassion and strength Abraham exhibits when he becomes an advocate for saving the people of Sodom of Gomorrah, even arguing with Hashem on their behalf. And, we see a man who would serve Hashem, not questioning the possible loss of his beloved son.

What a strong message from Yisrael Kristal, who has followed the model of Abraham. Each stage of our life presents new vistas and new challenges. Each Rosh Hashana we have the opportunity to not only look backward to mend our life, not only to correct our

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**YISRAEL KRISTAL AT 113...
MAZEL TOV TO YOU
AND L'CHAIM!**

mistakes, but to move forward having learned from our errors, as well as our successes. Each Rosh Hashana is filled with the wonder, the awesomeness of the potential of what is yet to be.

With that in mind, Penny and I wish each of you, your families, and all of your loved ones a happy, healthy and blessed New Year!

L'shana Tova Tikatevu V'techatemu,

Rabbi Mitchell Kornspan



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

**October Schedule
for Holidays, Classes, Events**

Rosh Hoshana	Monday, October 3rd	10:30am Class
Yom Kippur	Wednesday, October 12th	10:30am Class
Sukkot	Sunday, October 16th	10:00am Event
Simchat Torah	Monday, October 24th	7:00pm Event
Hebrew School	12th, 19th, 26th (Wednesdays)	4:00pm-6:00pm
Havurat No'ar	1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th (Saturdays)	9:30am-11:45am
Shabbat School	1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th (Saturdays)	9:30am-11:45am

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*Together for the High Holidays
at B'nai Jacob*

ROSH HASHANA

Sunday, October 2, 7:30pm - Erev Rosh Hashana Services
Monday, October 3, 8:30am - 1st Day Services
(Tashlich following services)
Tuesday, October 4, 8:30am - 2nd Day Services

YOM KIPPUR

Tuesday, October 11, 6:45pm - Mincha; 7:00pm - Kol Nidre
Wednesday, October 12, 8:30am - Shacharit with Yizkor at approximately 11:00am
Wednesday, October 12, 5:15pm - Mincha; 6:30pm - Neilah;
7:30pm - Maariv; 7:46pm - Havdalah / Break the Fast

SUKKOT

Sunday, October 16, 6:45pm - Mincha and Maariv Services
Monday, October 17, 10:00am - Services; Kiddush in Sukkah
Tuesday, October 18, 10:00am - Services; Kiddush in Sukkah

SHEMINI ATZERET / SIMCHAT TORAH

Monday, October 24, 9:15am - Services; 10:30am - Yizkor;
7:00pm - Simchat Torah Hakafot
Tuesday, October 25, 10:00am - Services



*A message from
the Religious Committee...*

In the spirit of High Holidays, we want to remind our congregants and guests about the following:

- Modest attire should be worn to services. For example, it is traditional to have one's shoulders covered.
- Dress attire is customary when coming to Synagogue services
- Cell phones should be silenced at all times.

*Wishing you all
L'shana Tova Tikatevu!*

October Yahrzeits יזכור

Elul / October

29 1-2 Evelyn Feldman

Tishri / October

1 2-3 Doris Meyers
 1 2-3 Deborah Rifkin
 1 2-3 Mordecai Rifkin
 3 4-5 Gladys Adams
 3 4-5 Freda M. Kaplan
 3 4-5 Joseph Mayer Levy
 4 5-6 Jack Moyer
 4 5-6 Pamela Spielman
 5 6-7 Mariam Nemoff
 5 6-7 Ida Weinstein
 6 7-8 Leah Berebitsky
 6 7-8 Goldye Kaplan
 6 7-8 Adrienne Korr
 6 7-8 Barry Pass
 6 7-8 Meyer Ruchman
 7 8-9 Louis Israel Brateman
 7 8-9 Clifford Ewing
 7 8-9 Mary Peurye
 7 8-9 Mashe Soloway
 8 9-10 Lottie Guttmacher
 10 11-12 Herman Brateman
 10 11-12 Rena Farber
 10 11-12 Siegmund Kaufmann
 10 11-12 Shirley Ruth Konigsberg
 10 11-12 Joseph Lowenhar
 10 11-12 Sima Lowenhar
 10 11-12 Fanny Merin
 10 11-12 Siegmund Merin
 10 11-12 Simon Merin
 11 12-13 Louis Goldberg
 12 13-14 Milton Jay
 12 13-14 Esther Rose Weinstein
 12 13-14 Samuel N. Weinstein
 13 14-15 Steve Kelman
 13 14-15 Lillian Starr Messe
 14 15-16 Israel Edelman
 14 15-16 George King
 14 15-16 Simon Singer
 15 16-17 Charles Bernstein
 15 16-17 Sheldon Goltz
 16 17-18 Sam Boudaie
 16 17-18 Martin Joe Dicker
 16 17-18 Rose Rubenstein
 17 18-19 Josephine Mocle
 18 19-20 Samuel N. Field
 18 19-20 Linda Shulkin-Nail
 19 20-21 Gertrude Brateman
 19 20-21 Abe Lipp
 19 20-21 Jennie Schneiderman
 19 20-21 Mollie Frank
 20 21-22 Dr. Abraham Fichman
 20 21-22 Abraham Zimmerman

October Yahrzeits יזכור

Tishri / October

21 22-23 Dorothy Marks Fidler
 21 22-23 Anna Levin
 21 22-23 Lona Ruchman
 23 24-25 Melvin Shulkin
 23 24-25 Sonya Turetzky
 24 25-26 Jack Berger
 24 25-26 Simon Crell
 24 25-26 Jean Pownall
 25 26-27 Harry Komisarow
 25 26-27 Libbie Mull
 25 26-27 Herman Schubert
 26 27-28 Israel Bronstein
 26 27-28 Morris Magazine
 27 28-29 Dena Levant
 27 28-29 Ethelyn Seigman
 27 28-29 Hanna Singer
 27 28-29 Helen Snitzer
 28 29-30 Rita Finkel
 28 29-30 Robert E. Shine
 28 29-30 Charlotte Slutsky
 29 30-31 Sally Fields
 29 30-31 Goldie Sunshine
 30 31-1 Sidney Klepper
 30 31-1 Lou Weismann

If you would like to make a donation in honor/memory of someone, please fill out the form and submit it with your check to:
 Congregation B'nai Jacob
 7227 Bittersweet Moors Drive
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I have enclosed \$_____ in honor/memory of: _____

From: _____

Fund Preference: Please indicate which fund you prefer to donate to:
 ___ A.J. Ochstein Fund
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 ___ Library Fund
 ___ Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
 ___ Seth Horwitz Education Fund
 ___ Simon/Hannah Crell Education Fund
 ___ Sisterhood Nursery Fund
 ___ Torah Maintenance Fund
 ___ Winnick Memorial Garden Fund
 ___ Yahrzeit Fund



October Birthdays

- 1 Ben Watson
- 6 Jonathan Baitcher
- 8 Laura Zweig
- 10 Bob Watson
- 12 Bobbie Goltz
- 13 Donna Cole
- 17 Irene Walters
- 17 Alana Sarratore
- 19 Renee Levin
- 21 James Holstein
- 22 Helena Finkelstein
- 23 Rabbi Marla Spanjer
- 25 Mooch Lewis
- 27 Mical Rynearson



October Anniversaries

- 4 Barry and Linda Snitzer
- 15 Bob and Lazette Serdinak
- 17 Bob and Luann Watson

The Congregation thanks

Paula and Mike Adams

for their generosity in hosting a High Holiday Workshop and Dinner in their home on September 22, 2016.



Wishing a HAPPY and HEALTHY year to all my B'nai Jacob family and friends. Especially to my mom, Audrey Gerson.
Rhonda Gerson-Hurwitz and Family

May the sounds of the shofar usher in a year filled with blessings, good health, and happiness. L'Shanah Tovah,
Dan and Annie Appel



A happy, healthy new year to all!
The Bratemans



L'Shana Tovah
From our house to yours!
Lazette and Bob



Irene and Bob Walters

Shana Tovah!
Sharon and Ben Eisbart



May this new year bring peace and happiness to everyone.
Josh and Donna Tourkow and Family

Wishing all my friends at B'nai Jacob a Happy and Sweet Rosh Hashanah in Good Health!
Shalom, Bee

Please
RSVP

by

Wednesday, October 5

for

Break the Fast

following

Yom Kippur.

Call or email the office.

The Congregation
thanks

Marc Nusholtz and Mary Wilger

for sponsoring

5777 Break the Fast.



The Congregation thanks
Kathy and Sam Stoller
for their generosity in
sponsoring the cleaning of
the synagogue windows for
the High Holidays and
Debby and Keith Roberts
for their generosity in
sponsoring the cleaning of
the sanctuary carpet for
the High Holidays.

The Congregation thanks
Paula and Mike Adams
for their generosity in
sponsoring one-half of the
cost of the office air
conditioning unit,
in loving memory of
Robert N. Adams.

The Congregation thanks
Irene and Bob Walters
for their generosity in
sponsoring one-half of the
cost of the office air
conditioning unit.

The Congregation thanks
Franck Hagendorf
for sponsoring Kiddush on
9/17/16 in loving memory of
Grace and Benjamin
Becker.

COME AND GET 'EM!



5777 CALENDARS ARE IN!

**PICK ONE UP AT
THE SYNAGOGUE TODAY!**

*Many thanks to D.O. McComb and Sons Funeral Home
for providing these calendars each year.*

CONGREGATIONAL DONATIONS

David Siegel Memorial Fund

In memory of Joseph Bialick and Sophie Bialick

- *Bee Siegel*

General Fund

For HVAC in memory of Robert N. Adams

- *Paula and Mike Adams*

In appreciation

- *Anonymous*

In memory of Joseph Schmitz

- *Elsa Jakob*

For HVAC and in appreciation

- *Marc Nusholtz and Mary Wilger*

In memory of Moses Safirstein

- *Kay Safirstein*

Kiddush Fund

In memory of Joseph Goltz

- *Vicki and Ron Goltz*

In memory of Bertha Ochstein

- *Vicki and Ron Goltz*

In memory of Beatrice Turin

- *Keith Groman*

In memory of (Teddy) Theodore Levy

- *Keith Groman*

In memory of Rabbi Eddie Fox

- *Keith Groman*

In memory of Rosie Adams

- *Keith Groman*

In loving memory of our son,

Michael Hunter Leib

- *Arlene and Jere Leib*

In loving memory of Rose Leib Rothman

- *Jere Leib*

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In appreciation

- *Jeff Wolf*

In honor and appreciation of Rabbi Mitchell

Kornspan's participation in my wife's

(Martha) funeral services.

- *Chuck Replane*

In appreciation of your involvement in the

creation and delivery of the Rededication

Ceremony of the Jewish Cemetery

- *Beth and Dan Zweig*

Simon and Hannah Crell Education Fund

In appreciation

- *Melvin Krel*

In appreciation and for High Holidays

- *Melvin Krel*

Winnick Memorial Garden Fund

In memory of Etta Brower

- *Bruce and Lois Winnick-Chapman*

Yahrzeit Fund

In memory of Susan Cohen

- *Hugo and Lis Cohen-Kahn*

In memory of Abe Nemeroff

- *Howard Nemeroff*

In memory of Abraham Siegel

- *Joan Siegel, Sandra Moran, Jan Roy*

Siegel, and Sara Peiken

In memory of Mildred Kurtz

- *Linda and Barry Snitzer*



Many thanks to those who have helped prepare Kiddush over the years and to those who volunteered in September: **Ruth Minkoff; Paula Adams, Kathy Jarvis; Missy and Mark Schneider.** Those who have been enjoying Kiddush with us these past few months know that Kiddush has been greatly simplified except on those occasions where a sponsor requests and pays for a special, more elaborate menu.

We are no longer asking volunteers to cover an entire month. Instead, we are seeking volunteers who will choose to cover one Kiddush at a time. The current need is to identify volunteers for October. Menus can be prepared on Shabbat at the synagogue and can be as simple as herring or gefilte fish with cottage cheese and crackers, or cream cheese and bagels served with a tossed salad or a bowl of fruit. Ingredients, however, must be delivered to the synagogue kitchen prior to the beginning of Shabbat.

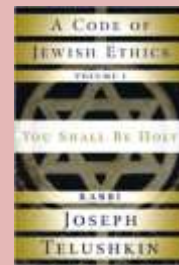
Reimbursement of \$40 or less is available from Sisterhood if requested with a receipt.

Please consider selecting a Shabbat in October (and in the coming months) and coordinating a light meal for the enjoyment and nourishment of the B'nai Jacob family. To volunteer, you may reply via email to the office or call the office at 260-672-8459.

If volunteers do not come forward, Kiddush will be limited to challah, wine, snacks, and cookies.

Volunteers are also needed to coordinate or take care of the following holidays: Simchat Torah; Purim; Hanukkah; Lag B'Omer. If interested, please contact the office.

Kathy Jarvis, Sisterhood President



ETHICS CLASS LED BY RABBI KORNSPAN CONTINUES....

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6
AT 10:30AM**

**Each class is preceded by
Tallit and Tefillin at 9:30am,
and a light brunch*.**

***The class thanks the generous
person who sponsors the brunch
for each class and who desires to
remain anonymous.**

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