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The logo for Mitzvah Day features the words "MITZVAH DAY" in a large, colorful, bubbly font at the top. Below it, the text "ROLL UP FOR THE" is written in a smaller, black, sans-serif font. Underneath that, "MAGICAL MITZVAH" is written in the same colorful, bubbly font as the top line. At the bottom, the word "TOUR" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The entire graphic is decorated with several small, colorful stars in shades of blue, yellow, purple, and green.

with CHAI FIVE Mitzvah Corps

Sunday, November 15, 9:30 - 11:30 am

Please join us virtually for a morning of doing Mitzvot (sacred acts)!

Mitzvah Day is open to ALL including our B'nai Havurah community, CHAI FIVE Mitzvah Corps, JDA Group and Friends of B'nai.

[Click here](#) for detailed information about our mitzvah recipients and to register to participate. **EVERYONE** is welcome!



November 11, 2020

## Shabbat and Chanukah

**Torah Study**

**Ongoing Saturdays, 9:00 - 10:00 am**

Join a lay-led, virtual, intimate (small), informal, welcoming, curious and sometimes quirky group prior to Shabbat services. Everyone is welcome any week you are available. Drop in and warm up for morning services.

Registration is not required. Please contact David Jordan at (703)-587-7999 / [AdlaiDavid@Gmail.com](mailto:AdlaiDavid@Gmail.com) if you have any questions. [Click here](#) for Zoom Link.



**Recon Lab Shabbat: BELONGING**  
**Saturday, November 14, 10:00 - 11:30 am**

Join Hal Aqua, Risa Aqua, Debbie Goodman, Pat Madsen, and Ed Towbin for this month's Recon Lab Shabbat experience. This Shabbat, we'll embark on a series of discussions on the relevance of Mordecai Kaplan's ideas for reconstructing American Judaism. This month's topic: "Belonging."

Here's an excerpt from [a recent article in The Forward](#) about Kaplan's relevance to this moment. More thoughts on **belonging** from our Recon Lab-sters [here](#).

In addition to the discussion, we'll join in rousing songs and reconstructed prayers, including a themed meditative Amidah, a healing prayer, and a Mourner's Kaddish.

**Havurah Ben Tzion will sponsor the virtual online Oneg Shabbat in honor of Eli Reshotko's 90th birthday.**

**All are welcome to stay on Zoom after the service to visit with one another and wish Eli a happy birthday in Shmooze Rooms.**

**Shabbat Services with Rabbi Evette**  
**Saturday, November 21, 10:00 - 11:30 am**

[Parshat Toldot](#) - [Genesis 25:19 - 28:9](#)

Summary: Rebecca and Isaac want a child. They pray to God. Rebecca soon feels violent movement within her womb. She asks God why she feels fighting

within her, and God answers, "Two nations are in your womb and two states. They will be divided from one another, starting from within you. One state shall become mightier than the other and the mighty one shall serve the lesser." From My Jewish Learning - to read more, [go here](#) .



**Friday, November 26, 6:30 - 7:30 pm**

Join us for post -Thanksgiving Shabbat gratitude with the tribal tunes and communal good vibes of the Grateful Dead. Wear some tie-die and get ready to boogie!

Please register [here](#). We are expecting a huge crowd - join us!

**Shabbat Services: Hakarot HaTov - Recognition of the Good**

**Saturday, November 28, 10:00 -11:30 am**

[Parsha Vayetzei](#) And [Jacob] Left

Service Leader: Rabbi Evette; Leyner: Risa Aqua

Listen to a 10 minute audio commentary of Parsha Vayetzei by Rabbi Dan

Moskovitz - [https://reformjudaism.org/sites/default/files/vayeitzei\\_5780.mp3](https://reformjudaism.org/sites/default/files/vayeitzei_5780.mp3)

**Human Rights Shabbat**

**Saturday, December 5, 10:30 am**

Details to follow.



**Friday, December 11, 6:30 - 7:30 pm**


For our December Kabbalat Shabbat Experience, join Hal and Annie Aqua for a joyful, all-ages songfest of the best Chanukah songs, new and old, and some Shabbos tunes as well. Rabbi Evette will lead us in Chanukah candlelighting and Shabbat blessings.

Get your chanukiot set up and ready to go for a shared Zoom display of brightness and hope!

**Your registration enters your name for an opportunity to win one dozen delicious latkes delivered to your door by December 13!**


Register here!

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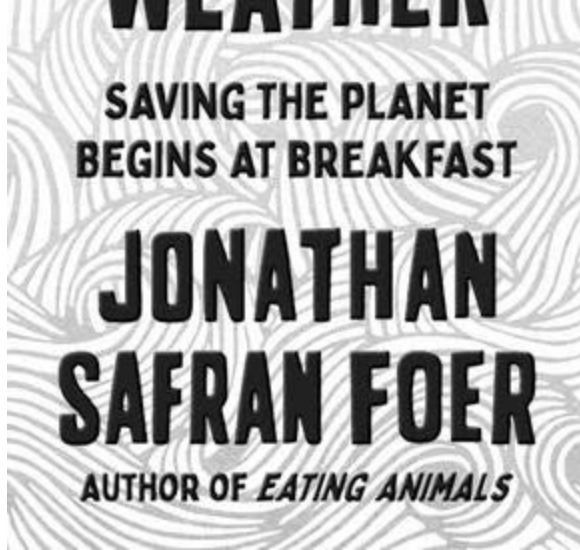


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**Book discussion with Hazon's  
Director of Food & Climate, Becky  
O'Brien  
Thursday, November 19, 7:00 -  
8:30 pm**



In his book, Jonathan Safran Foer explores climate change in an urgent new way. Foer believes we have turned our planet into a farm for growing animal products, with disastrous results. Collective action must be taken, he says, and it all starts with what we eat – and don't eat – for breakfast.

For additional information and to register, [click here](#).

**The Rest of the Tanakh, with Pat Madsen**

**Thursdays, 4:00 - 5:30 pm**

For additional information and to register, [click here](#).

Tomorrow, the group will tackle Jeremiah chapter 23. A king from the line of David is promised yet again! All are welcome to join Pat and crew!

Pictured: Jeremiah, 1956 - Marc Chagall



**Books & Bagels**

**First Sunday of the month from 10:00 - 11:30 am**

Join other book lovers for informal, stimulating, and virtual discussions of books by Jewish authors.

- December 6: In the Darkroom by Susan Faludi
- January 3: Here I Am by Jonathan Safran Foer

Register for one or both book discussions [here](#).

*All are welcome!*

## Tikkun Olam

### **DONATIONS OF WARM CLOTHING REQUESTED**

Our indigenous friends in South Dakota are facing extreme cold this winter. Alice Turak is collecting the following NEW or almost new condition items for kids to adults: winter coats, snow boots, hiking boots, wool socks, snow bibs, ski suits, thick wool sweaters, snow gloves, mittens, hats, scarves, GOOD WARM sleeping bags, fleece or wool blankets, thermal undergarments (new only). Handknit scarves, gloves and socks, wool yarn preferred and warmest.

Preferred material content: wool, fleece, down. Things that keep you warm in subzero temperature. Nothing damaged, dirty or smelly please.

**Call Alice Turak for pickup: 303-871-8407 or 303 -324-4864.**

**Deadline: November 13 - this Friday**

Please ask friends and neighbors also. If you would prefer to send packages yourself, contact Alice for the addresses in Standing Rock and the Black Hills.

## Suggested Resources

There are so many outstanding educational programs being offered currently on virtual platforms, and knowing how difficult it is to keep up with the amount of options, we will regularly provide some suggestions that we think may be of interest to you. If you have a resource for us to consider adding in What's Nu, please send your material to us by noon each Tuesday.

Here are a few for the coming week or so. Check out the links provided for additional information.

**ADL's Never is Now Summit, November 8 - 19**

[Information](#)

**Hartman@Home, the Shalom Hartman Institute**

[Information](#)

Read the article: "Jews and White Privilege," written by two Reconstructionist rabbis. You can find it on Reconstructing Judaism's website, [here](#).



## Do You Buy Groceries?

**Everytime you shop, B'nai Havurah can benefit!**

### Here's what to do:

1. Have a current King Soopers rewards card.
2. Set up an online King Soopers account if you haven't already at [www.kingsoopers.com](http://www.kingsoopers.com) and link your King Soopers card number on that account.
3. Once you have an account go to [www.kingsoopers.com](http://www.kingsoopers.com) and under My Account, click on Community Rewards. Search for Colorado Jewish Reconstructionist Foundation / B'nai Havurah and select.

Every time you use your King Soopers card, B'nai Havurah will get a small percentage of what you spend. You'll even be able to check your account to see how much you've donated each quarter to B'nai.

A family might easily end up giving B'nai \$75 to \$100 a year without spending an extra penny!! Let's all do it!!! And ask your friends and extended family to also sign up on B'nai's behalf.

## Community Events

**B'nai Havurah Member, Sheldon Steinhauser receives ADL's Lifetime Achievement Award**

**IF NOT NOW? AWARD RECEPTION**

**Thursday, November 12, 5:30 pm**

**Join your B'nai community as we support the work of ADL, celebrate Shelly and enjoy the musicianship of local musical talent.**

*Congratulations to Shelly Steinhauser as the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) Mountain States Region honors him with the ADL Lifetime Achievement Award for his ongoing service and leadership to ADL's mission and civil rights advocacy!*

**This event is FREE to attend! To REGISTER or to learn more about our**

honoree, [click here!](#)

**18th Annual Fred Marcus Memorial Holocaust Lecture: The Specter of  
Nazism Since World War II - THE FOURTH REICH**

**Sunday, November 15, 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm**

This event will be presented online via Eventive, MACC's new platform for virtual events: Access information will be provided with tickets

Brought to you by the Holocaust Awareness Institute at the University of Denver Center for Judaic Studies, in partnership with the Mizel Arts and Culture Center's Neustadt JAAMM Fest.

For additional information, please [go here](#) .

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