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BSBI'S Chai Lights

September 2020

Staff, Clergy and Board of BSBI wish you a Happy, Healthy and Sweet New Year. L'Shana Tova Tikateru





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Services

Monday through Thursday: 7:00 PM Friday: 6:00 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM

All service times are as listed above unless otherwise noted in the calendar. The entire community is welcome to attend any of our services. Services are virtual. Zoom information will be included in emails.

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Call the Rabbi!

Rabbi Konigsburg visits the local hospitals on a regular basis. An important part of his duties is to bring comfort and healing to those who are sick. Due to privacy laws, the hospitals can't tell him if one of our members has been admitted. He could be just down the hall, but if he doesn't know someone is there, he will not know to make a visit.

Please call the Rabbi if you or someone you know is in the hospital so a timely visit can be made: **860-643-9563**

Upcoming Events!

Due to COVID-19, all events are subject to change.
Please visit www.myshul.org for all updates on upcoming events.
We appreciate your understanding during this

Friday, September 4

unprecedented time.

6:00 PM: Friday Night Services: Birthdays

Monday, September 7
Office Closed for Labor Day
Tuesday, September 8

7:30 PM: Service for Spiritual Healing

Thursday, September 10

11:30 AM-1:30 PM, 4:30 PM-6:30 PM

High Holiday Package Pickup 4:30 PM: RLWRS Meet & Greet

Saturday, September 12

9:00 PM: Selichot Live

Sunday, September 13

9:30 AM: Brotherhood Breakfast & Speaker

4:00 PM: Shofar Service-Drive-thru

Monday, September 14

5:30 PM: Finance Committee

7:30 PM Sisterhood/Hadassah Book Club

Wednesday, September 16

7:30 PM: BSBI Board Meeting

Friday, September 18

Erev Rosh Hashana

7:00 PM: Erev Rosh Hashana Saturday, September 19

Rosh Hashana

8:30 AM: Rosh Hashana Morning Service

11:45 AM: Family Service

6:00 PM: Rosh Hashana Evening Service

Sunday, September 20

8:30 AM: Rosh Hashana Morning service

5:00 PM: Tashlich

Tuesday, September 22

7:30 PM: Sisterhood Board Meeting

Sunday, September 27

Erev Yom Kippur

10:00 AM: Kever Avot

11:30 AM: Yizkor Service

1:00 PM: Neilah Personal Prayers (by

appointment)

6:00 PM: Kol Nidre Service

Monday, September 28

9:00 AM: Yom Kippur Morning Service

1:30 PM: Family Service

4:50 PM: Yom Kippur Evening Service

Rosh Hashana

Yom Kippur

Friday, September 18, 2020

Candle Lighting 6:35 PM
Evening Service 7:00 PM

(Zoom & In person, Registration Required)

Saturday, September 19, 2020

Morning Service 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

(Zoom & In person, Registration Required)

Shacharit Service 8:30 AM
Torah Service 10:00 AM

Family Service (Saturday) 11:45 AM

(Zoom Only, Registration Required)

(Because of Shabbat, Tashlich is

postponed until Sunday)

Evening Service (Saturday) 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

(Zoom & In person, Registration Required)

Mincha/Maariv 6:00 PM Saturday Candle-Lighting 7:33 PM

Sunday, September 20, 2020

Morning Service 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

(Zoom & In person, Registration Required)

Shacharit Service 8:30 AM
Torah Service 10:00 AM

Tashlich 5:00 PM

We will be in a new site this year, behind

Woodbridge Pizza. Parking on the street or in the lot

behind the Manchester Senior Center.

Woodbridge Farmstead, 495 East Middle Turnpike

(In person Only, Registration Required)

Sunday, September 27, 2020

Kever Avot 10:00AM

(Zoom Only, Registration Required)

Yizkor 11:30AM

(Zoom Only, Registration Required)

Neilah Personal Prayers 1:00PM – 3:00PM

(In person by appointment, every 5 minutes)

Kol Nidre 6:00PM

(Zoom & In person, Registration Required)

Candle-Lighting 6:19PM

We will not have candles for lighting at the synagogue this year. Please light before you leave home with the intention that the holiday will not begin for you until

6:19 pm

Monday, September 28, 2020

Morning Service 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

(Zoom & In person, Registration Required)

Shacharit 9:00 AM

Torah Service 10:30 AM

Family Service 1:30 PM

(Zoom Only, Registration Required)

Conclusion of Yom Kippur 4:50 PM – 7:20 PM

(Zoom & In person, Registration Required)

Mincha 4:50PM

Neilah 6:25PM

Maariv 7:10 PM

Sounding of Shofar 7:20 PM

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No Tickets This Year

Due to health concerns arising from the Coronavirus pandemic, High Holiday services at Beth Sholom B'nai Israel will be different this year from years past. Instead of receiving tickets to attend High Holiday services, all BSBI members will receive links and information to register for services, for either remote attendance or in-person attendance. If you have not received the links or information, please contact the office immediately to learn how to participate. Registrants can participate in services over the Zoom platform by using your favorite device or by audio using a simple telephone. The information necessary to participate will be sent upon receipt of your registration. If you have family or friends who would like to join our Zoom services, please share the registration information with them, so that they can independently register. They will not be permitted to participate if they have not registered, even if you share the log-in information with them. Zoom services will be held in the webinar format; all participants will be muted except for the service leader, except that each honoree will be featured on screen at the time of their honor.

Registrants who participate in services in-person will be required to submit a health questionnaire within 48 hours of the service.

In-person attendees will perform all readings and honors from their seats.

Selichot at BSBI

On Saturday September 12, beginning at 9 pm, we will be participating in a national Selichot Service sponsored by the Rabbinical Assembly.
Selichot is the official start of the Yamim Noraim, the Days of Awe, the High Holy Day period on the Jewish calendar. Traditionally it was held at midnight to show that we wanted to begin the cycle of penitence and forgiveness at the first possible moment. There will be a Selichot service and many options for study about topics that relate to teshuva, tzedakah and hesed. You must register for this program. Link were sent in emails early in the month.

Shofar Service

We are commanded to hear the shofar live, and without amplification. Hearing the shofar over a computer does not have the same religious or emotional effect as hearing it live. We are pleased to offer a drive-by shofar experience, to help everyone fully encounter, in person, the emotional impact of the shofar before Rosh Hashana.

On **Sunday Sept. 13, from 4-6 pm at BSBI** our "drive thru" Shofar service will be held in our parking lot. Everyone is invited to drive in, and we will have a sounding of the shofar every 15 minutes or so, as long as we have people ready to stop and listen. Just roll down your window to hear the blasts of the shofar. Bring everyone who will fit in your car.

Those who blow shofar are requested to contact Rabbi Konigsburg, so we can include you in this open-air shofar experience.

Tashlich - Casting Away our Sins

Because Rosh Hashana falls on Shabbat, Tashlich this year will be delayed until Sunday, the second day of Rosh Hashana. This year we are meeting in a new location; The Old Woodbridge Farm at Manchester Green (behind the pizza restaurant). Our members and their guests are invited to register to observe this custom of symbolically throwing away our sins as we cast breadcrumbs on the water. Registrants will meet at the stream on the farm at 5:00 pm. Masks and social distancing are required. There is street parking in front of the farm and plenty of parking behind the Manchester Senior Center right next door. If you have never participated in this ritual, this is a great year to start. Tashlich (meaning "casting off") is a practice on Rosh Hashana to go to a natural body of flowing water such as a river or brook, and throw some bread crumbs or similar food item into the water symbolically casting off our sins of the previous year. We invite you and your family to join us and participate in this special service. Please bring some breadcrumbs to "cast on the water".

Kever Avot and Yizkor

It is a long-standing tradition to visit the graves of family members during the days between Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. This visit is called Kever Avot, literally "Parents' Graves." At this holiday time it is appropriate to remember those who are now gone from our family with this visit. Due to Covid-19 and social distancing, we will not be able to hold this service at our cemetery in Manchester. We will hold the service online, by Zoom on Sunday morning Sept. 27 at 10:00 am. Everyone, no matter where their loved ones may be buried, will have the opportunity to have their loved ones remembered at this service. Yizkor usually occurs on Yom Kippur after the Torah Service. To accommodate everyone who might wish to participate, and amid religious and health concerns, we will hold our Yizkor service before the holiday begins on Sunday Sept. 27 at 11:30 am on Zoom only. Yizkor books are being distributed in advance of this day. As is our custom, the service will be conducted from our Yizkor book. This is the time to join together to remember all our loved ones who are gone at this most important time of the year.

Lulav and Etrog Sets

To fully observe the holiday of Sukkot, you will want to own a set of *arbah minim*, the four species (a set of Lulav and Etrog), which will be blessed each morning of the holiday to remind us of God's bounties. We will place a group order and have them available at BSBI to pick up before the Sukkot holiday.

Send your check to our office to reserve your set. PRICE \$ 40 (subject to change based on supply). Please contact the office as soon as possible to order your set. We must have your order before Rosh Hashana to ensure delivery before Sukkot.

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Personal Prayers Before the Ark

It has been our custom, during the Neilah Service on Yom Kippur, to allow everyone in the congregation to come to the bima and offer a personal prayer before the open ark as we approach the end of Yom Kippur. To accommodate all, including those who will not be able to attend in person on Yom Kippur, and those who cannot Zoom on that day, we will be opening our sanctuary on Sunday, Sept. 27 from 1-3 pm for families and individuals to offer their prayers before the open ark. It is important that you register online and receive one of the five-minute time slots that will be available to each family. Only those who are within your safety circle can share a time slot. Masks are required,, and social distancing will be observed.

The Ark will be open the next day during Neilah but we will be unable to have people approach the bima during the Yom Kippur service.

Sukkot

Sukkot is the joyous culmination of the holiday season. It is the third of the three Pilgrimage Festivals, the other two are Pesach and Shavuot. While Pesach is overwhelmingly a home festival, and Shavuot is mainly a synagogue holiday, Sukkot has observances that make it both home and synagogue centered.

If you would like to build a Sukkah at your home, which is a great way to fully observe the holiday with your family, please contact the Rabbi for instructions. You can check out the website www.sukkot.com for excellent kits.

Zoom services for Sukkot will be held according to the following schedule. The arbah minim (lulav and etrog) will be used at the morning service on Sunday Oct. 4 (it is not used on Shabbat), and the blessing is said every other morning at home.

Friday Oct 2 – Shabbat/Sukkot service 6:00 pm	Zoom only
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Saturday Oct. 3 – Shabbat/Sukkot: Morning service 10-11 am Zoom only

Torah service & Musaf 11:30 am -12:30 pm Zoom only
Evening Service 6:00 pm Zoom only
Morning service 10-11 am Zoom only

Sunday Oct. 4 – Sukkot service: Morning service 10-11 am Zoom only
Torah service & Musaf 11:30 am -12:30 pm Zoom only

No evening service

Hoshana Rabba

Join us for a Zoom morning service on Friday Oct 9 at 7:00 am for the unique conclusion of the season of repentance with our Hoshana Rabbi service. You will need to order a bundle of "hoshanot" for \$5, by Yom Kippur. Contact the BSBI office if you would like to order. You will use your lulay and etrog as well. It will be a Zoom service.

Yizkor for Shemini Atzeret

Because of Covid-19, we will again have our Yizkor service in advance of the holiday to make sure that all are able to attend. This service will be by Zoom on Friday Oct. 9 at 11:30 am. Please make sure you have the Yizkor book that you received for Yom Kippur. The service will be conducted from the Yizkor book. Everyone is invited to join us online.

Shemini Atzeret

Fri. Oct 9 - Shabbat/Shemini Atzeret Evening service 6:00 pm Zoom only
Sat. Oct. 10- Shabbat/Shemini Atzeret Morning service 10-11 am Zoom only
Torah & Musaf 11:30 am -12:30 pm Zoom only
- Simchat Torah Crazy Hat service 6:00 pm Zoom only
Sun. Oct. 11- Simchat Torah Morning service 10-11 am Zoom only

Torah & Musaf 11:30 am -12:30 pm

No evening services



J'Shana Tova!

Zoom only

Faithcraft



This promises to be one of the hardest Yamim Noraim, one of the most difficult "Days of Awe" that most of us have seen in our lifetime. The Covid-19 pandemic will make these holidays unlike any other New Year celebration the Jewish community has seen in an exceedingly long time. Consider that we are unable to

pray together because of the enforced isolation; that most of us will have to turn to a virtual way of greeting the new year, and we will have to find our own path to seeking forgiveness, understanding and repentance, since to be together in large crowds is forbidden. So, we will turn to online platforms and social media to bring us together only in a virtual way. This will demand of us a whole new way to look at our lives and how we can change ourselves for the new year in response to all the challenges that we must face. Rabbi Richard Hirsh recently made some suggestions for making a meaningful spiritual experience at this season this year.

We will not be able to go to synagogue and find there the equipment we need for prayer and the sacred space to speak to God. We will all have to find or create the spiritual space for our prayers for the new year.

The first question that God asks in the Bible is "Where are you?" and now we will have to answer the question for ourselves. Where will you create in your home a place where you can pray without distractions? Will we find a place that is quiet, or a place where family can gather? Should I be in a formal location or a comfortable space? Should it be a location where I spend lots of time, or should it be a place that I rarely use?

What should we do to make our space our place for prayer? What should we put on the walls? What photos should be placed in that space? Sacred spaces do not occur by themselves; we have to go and create them by planning, with thought and intention.

Will we want to wear comfortable clothing, or should we approach our prayer in the formal dress we are accustomed to for the Yamim Noraim? Will we be "speaking" to friends using the "chat" apparatus? Or will we be focused on our own deeds and our own needs? What intentions can we set so that we can be present in the sacred time of the service, even if the moment includes so many others who are online with us? **Continued on page 10**

Words from the Co-Presidents



With the approach of the High Holidays, we naturally reflect on the events of the past year and our hopes for the year to come. Over the past few months, BSBI has taken great strides toward increased engagement with our members. Immediately after the Coronavirus pandemic led to a shut-down of activity throughout the State, Rabbi Konigsburg and Judy were quick to create a mechanism for continued daily prayer and

means to conduct the necessary business of the shul. Over the past few months, thanks to the efforts of many volunteers and our dedicated staff and Rabbi, BSBI has been able to build on that foundation. Our virtual offerings have expanded beyond daily minyan to include enjoyable fund raising activities, connection to community-wide educational and cultural programs, and lunchand-learn and other BSBI engagement. Our religious services now include hybrid Friday evening services, with some members in the parking lot and others participating virtually. Consistent with guidance from the Conservative movement, BSBI has started to offer virtual Shabbat services on Saturday morning, and our Friday evening services will transition into a Shabbat observance as sundown comes earlier in the day. We have created a new approach to High Holiday services that combines the traditional with necessary modification. BSBI has developed a plan for religious school under trying circumstances.

Sisterhood and Brotherhood have found ways to continue their activities. Work continues on our facility as we prepare for the large HVAC project and the Capital Campaign to fund that project. Our office staff is now back in the building on a part-time basis to help everyone with the business of BSBI.

None of this would have been possible without considerable efforts by many people working behind the scenes for the benefit of all of us. We are grateful for their dedication. None of this would be worth doing without your participation. We are grateful for your flexibility and patience. The approach of the High Holidays is a good opportunity to tell everyone how much we appreciate you.

Our unusual circumstances make it difficult to envision the coming year. We know that we will continue to look for ways to offer connection to and among BSBI members and our greater community. We know that we will seek your input and will work to bring about the kinds of programming and observances that move you. We know that we will not be alone in advancing the interests of our community. And we know that you share with us the desire to re- engage, in person, in good health and good fortune, as our present troubles pass. This year, perhaps more than any other, the words of the traditional High Holiday greeting take on special meaning: L'shanah Tova tikateivu v'teichateimu may you have a good year, and may you be inscribed and sealed for blessing in the Book of Life.

Jack & Dawn Steigelfest, Co-Presidents

The Rabbi Leon Wind Religious School is delighted to welcome Rabbi Alan Lefkowitz and his staff as we begin the upcoming school year. Due to the current pandemic, we are planning to hold classes on-line until it is deemed safe for our students to be in their classrooms, or other spaces within the building are considered appropriate. Because there is a totally new staff joining us, we have planned to have a Student-Teacher Meet and Greet on Thursday, September 10, 2020. In this way, children and teachers will have an opportunity to get to know each other individually, before they resume learning virtually, and we hope that everyone will be better prepared for an exciting and fulfilling educational experience. Also, the summer has given educators more time to adapt to the on-line environment, and numerous ideas and innovations have been made available nationally and locally to assist educators and students alike, as they work to achieve success in their studies. Although our teaching methods have changed to adapt to our times—the warmth, energy and love of Jewish learning that have always been the hallmarks of our school will continue. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to the RLWRS this September.

A MOMENT WITH RABBI ALAN

How lonely are many of our synagogues buildings today?

In 586 BCE our people were forced from Jerusalem, taken away from the form of worship and the comfort they knew. And now here we are in 2020 CE, and because of a pandemic, we have been taken from the forms of worship and study that we have known. However, we have found through ZOOM a new way of connection to our traditions. I know that many of us love to study in person, face to face and in the comfort of our synagogue building. By using this new way, we can connect with more people, and more people are studying our traditions than ever before. In fact, you can study whatever aspect of Judaism that you may desire.

Our intention, for the families of the Rabbi Leon Wind Religious school, is to understand and to learn everything one needs to know in our rich Jewish tradition that can bring joy and enlightenment to our lives. In fact, when God first spoke in Torah, God said—and we all know the words: "Let there be light!" What God was really telling us is: "Let us all become enlightened!" And that is what we intend to bring to all our families. So, as we begin our year, let me offer you your first assignment: what are the things that you have learned in your years of Jewish education that you have made an integral part of your life?

We are all in this together, we are members of a team, a school community. I look forward to sharing our time together as we create knowledgeable Jews.

Wishing you all Shana Tova, a happy and healthy New Year 5781.

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Rabbi Alan and Jody Lefkowitz

This Month in Jewish History By Rabbi Konigsburg 12 Elul - 12 Tishre

- 14 Elul The first Knesset building was dedicated in Jerusalem in 1966
- 25 Elul 23 Jews from Recife, Brazil arrived in New Amsterdam in 1654. They would be the founders of New York's Jewish community. (The first Jew in North America arrived 16 days earlier.)
- 28 Elul President Warren Harding signs a Joint Resolution of Congress approving establishing a Jewish Homeland in Palestine in 1922
- 1 Tishre The first service held by a Jewish congregation in Manhattan was held in 1654
- 9 Tishre Barbara Griffith of Massena, NY disappeared, and this led to the first blood-ritual inquiry in the United States in 1928

Thank you to my BSBI family. Everybody has been so supportive after the recent passing of my brother. I don't think I will be able to reach each person individually, but I want everybody to know how much I appreciate their caring.

Social Action

Sincerely, Cathy Ludlum Rabbi Richard Plavin Library

The Social Action Committee is trying to adapt our activities to these difficult times. We are considering ways to continue our food collections and Thanksgiving donations, especially since so many of our friends and neighbors have been affected by the economic consequences of COVID-19. Watch your announcements for updates on the High Holiday food drive and thank you in advance for your generosity.

What do you want to know about Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah? Do you want to increase your knowledge of or add additional joy to the holidays?

The answer is easy: Visit the BSBI Adult and Children's library. Each library contains almost everything you need to know about Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah. The topics range from how-to guides, essays and insights, prayer service overviews, stories, laws, customs, and recipes to traditions, commentary, and legends.

These books can be found on the display shelves between the windows or by looking for the call number 242 on the shelves in the rear of the library. The Children's Library, located in the Silverstein Center, contains holiday books for toddlers, older children and young adults. The Children's Library uses the same call number as the Adult Library, 242.

Please contact me if you would like to borrow library material, and I will make arrangements to have the material ready for curbside pickup at BSBI. Shanah Tovah Umetukah!

Carol Hatch

Dave Alter

Important: Update Your Contact Information!

- * Have a new cell number or gave up your landline?
- * Want to be added to our e-mail list to get our bi-weekly announcements, sad news notifications and other important information related to the congregation?
- * Think you signed up to get e-mails but haven't received any?
- * Planning on moving or getting a new e-mail address?
- * Have a child who has gone off to college and would like to keep up to date with life at BSBI?

Please notify Tova Haley directly regarding **ANY** changes or issues by calling 860-643-9563 ext. 100 or by sending an e-mail to programming@myshul.org.

REMEMBER: We cannot reach you if our records are not up to date!

If you are planning an event, you MUST contact Judy to coordinate Dave and other staff. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and will help alleviate confusion.

Don't Forget to Check Out MyShul.org!

Our website has all the latest information on upcoming events, class and event registration, secure online donations, and shopping opportunities that support BSBI!

If you would like to send in any pictures, videos, or upcoming event information, please email programming@myshul.org.





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Sisterhood Speaks

Mimi Kalman, Editor



What's Ahead for Sisterhood?

Monday, September 14, 7:30 pm Hadassah/Sisterhood Book Group Tuesday, September 15, 1:30 pm Knit & Kvetch

<u>Tuesday, September 22, 7:30 pm</u> Sisterhood Board Meeting

> <u>Tuesday, Oct 20, 7:45 pm</u> Donor Zoom event

Sunday, Oct 25, 9:45 am

Socially distanced Adventure Walk

Anytime
Yoga with Adriene on YouTube.

WATCH FOR IT, COMING SOON!

We hope that you remember that one of the charities that we donated to from our Pesach Project was Leket, Israel's answer to hunger. And we received very lovely Thank You letters from it's founder.

Coming soon a virtual program featuring Joseph Gitler, founder and chairman of Leket, Israel's national food bank. It promises to be most interesting.

Watch for more information in the bulletin and email updates.

Susan Margolis, Programming

Hadassah/Sisterhood Book Group

Greetings fellow readers!

As we write this we are beginning to emerge from our pandemic cocoons and hopefully look forward to gatherings of our book discussion group, the first of which is scheduled for September 14 at 7:30 at BSBI. If we cannot meet in person, we will do it on Zoom. Watch your email for the link.

We plan to discuss <u>EDUCATED</u> by Tara Westover. Although the library has some copies of this book, it is not possible to place a hold on multiple copies for book groups at this time.

We have tentatively scheduled meetings for the following dates:

9/14, 10/5, 11/2, 12/7, 1/11, 2/8, 3/8, 4/12, 5/3

Stay healthy and safe, Maxine Lerman and Myrna Spector

Knit & Kvetch

Our next scheduled meeting is September 15 at 1:30 pm, in the BSBI library. If we are still unable to meet, I hope you will continue to knit at home.

We are in need of people who can work on afghans. The average size should be approx. 36 x 48. Besides the afghans, we are also in need of people to knit or crochet mittens and hats.

If you would like to help us out and are in need of yarn, please get in touch with me.

Remember we can always use yarn or monetary donations to continue our mitzvah. It doesn't have to be a huge amount, \$5.00 goes a long way towards buying yarn. We do appreciate all donations of yarn, however please no wool. Our items need to be machine washable so we can only accept 100% acrylic.

Please make sure that all donation checks are made out to <u>BSBI</u> <u>Sisterhood</u> and marked "Knit and Kvetch" on the memo line. If they are be left in the BSBI office <u>please ask for them to put the checks in</u> the Sisterhood box.

Any questions, call me at 860-649-6551 or at IRANNEFINK@AOL.COM.
Anne Fink

NAR/WLCJ Conference

On Sunday, July 12th National Women's League held a virtual triennial Conference. It was supposed to be a three day event in Shaumberg, Illinois, which obviously was not possible in these days of quarantine.

It was a very interesting day. We "met" all the new national officers and also "met" Shuly Rubin Schwartz, a groundbreaking scholar of American Jewish history and a visionary institutional leader. She is the eighth chancellor of The Jewish Theological Seminary and the first woman to serve as chancellor of JTS in its 134-year history.

There were different workshops and an amazing Cantorial Concert by a group of extremely talented woman Cantors. And all this was done by Zoom with all these women in their homes!

We encourage you to look at the weekly Shabbat emails from Esta Lichtenstein, our North Atlantic Region President. Also go online at WLCJ. org to see listings of classes from WLCJ, or Masorti online learning, or Continuing Ed fine arts workshops. Recordings of past programs, including workshops and lectures from convention, can also be found on WLCJ.org.

Sisterhood Speaks Continued

Are You Saving Those Soda Can Tabs?

We hope that you are. Sisterhood and BSBI USY'ers are collecting them for Ronald McDonald House fundraising. You can bring all that you have saved in sandwich bags to any of our meetings or you can put them in the box on the bookcase in the BSBI lobby. Please note: tabs ONLY, no bottle caps.

The tabs are delivered to the Ronald McDonald House in Springfield MA. The aluminum tabs are sold, and the money received is used to buy items for the House which provides free overnight stays for families of sick children.



Torah Fund Cards

- Condolences to Cathy Ludlum in memory of her brother, William and condolences to Mara Dresner in memory of her sister, Debra from Judy and Harold Meyer.
- Condolences to Cathy Ludlum in memory of her brother, William and condolences to Sharon Sandstrom in memory of her son, Dominick from Paula Finkelstein.
- To order cards for all occasions contact our Torah Fund Card Chairperson

Lynn Cohen at (860-298-0457) or lynnbcohen@att.net

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What: Yoga (no cost to you)

When: Anytime Where: In your home

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How:

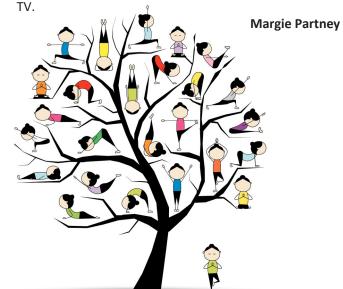
- -Access YouTube on your Computer, IPAD. Phone (you can also download the YouTube app to your phone*)
 -Search "Yoga" or "Yoga with Adriene" (I recommend
- that instructor)
- There will be a multitude of results to choose from: Yoga for Stress Relief

Wake up Yoga

Flexibility Yoga for Kids

- Have fun and relax!!

*if you have a SMART TV, Google Chromecast can be used to display the YouTube Video from your phone to



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The High Holidays are around the corner, and although they will be very different this year we should still celebrate and be thankful for all the good things.

So give me a call or email me at: 860-649-8507 or rimarainbow@cox.net Thank you all for your support both Past, Present and hopefully Future.

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Brotherhood Corner

Glenn Blumenstein, Brotherhood President

On Rosh Hashanah it is inscribed, and on Yom Kippur it is sealed

Such powerful words...especially for this past year. I don't think any of us could have dreamed that this past year would have brought what it did, for so many. I have a good friend who, a few years back, shared with me not just what he thinks about these words during the holidays, but year-round. Here's what he said; "When I was growing up, my parents and grandparents would talk every Rosh Hashanah about what Hashem had in store for them in the coming year. Sometimes the conversations were about aspirations, dreams & wishes, and had an inspiring tone. But other times, there was a bit of fear in their voices. Would there be another depression, would so-and-so beat his battle with whatever was ailing them...I hope this year is better, it just has to be. As a child, I could never understand how they got themselves tied into knots over things that were, in many ways, out of their hands. So I choose to do my best, do mitzvot wherever I can, and generally live a do-unto-others lifestyle. Of course, I'm not perfect. So I know that in addition to the atoning I do all year, I pray extra hard on Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur. And when Yom Kippur is over, I say – OK, Hashem, I hope you've got a good year planned for me. And I go back to living the best version of my life that I can. Basically, I don't stress over it."

I've been thinking about these words a lot over the last few months. All around me, I see people spending so much energy on worrying about what's going on in the world with Covid among other things. Instead of focusing on what they need to do to get through this, they focus on what they can't do because of this. I keep thinking back to my friend, and how he's probably feeling the stress of everything less than most, and I've chosen to take a lesson from him. I'm not going to worry about what's going to happen over this next year, I'm not going to stress over what "normal" will look like in 6 months...I'm going to focus on what we DO know, and we CAN do right now.

Right now we can still do mitzvot where we can.

Right now we can still live a do-unto-others life.

Right now we can still thank Hashem for what we DO have and what we CAN do. Right now we can look at the facts that we know, and make the best decisions for the moment.

Wash-Rinse-Repeat

L'Shana Tova Tikatavu



BSBI has been given the opportunity to accept donations of vehicles through a partnership with Vehicles For Charity to process donated vehicles. Consider donating your unwanted vehicle in support of BSBI. It is easier and faster than selling it on your own, and you may qualify for a tax deduction! Donors say it is a satisfying way to make a larger donation than they normally could. Vehicles accepted by this program include: unwanted car, truck, boat, motorcycle, RV or recreational vehicles. For more information go https://www.

vehiclesforcharity.org

Faithcraft Continued

This year we will need to prepare not just for a festival meal and a new outfit. If we are to have a spiritual experience, we must use this month of Elul to prepare ourselves to enter a new year with the correct *kavana*, with the correct intention. We will need to go out of our way to hear the shofar call. A precious few will be able to attend a service in person, but most of us will not be able to attend.

Please read this guide to the Yamim Noraim carefully. As always, these holidays are not about logistics, they are our annual chance to look deeply into our lives and make the changes to ourselves to live better lives. It will be a most unusual High Holiday season this year. But this year also invites us to see our lives from a whole different perspective; it opens up for us possibilities that are unique. If we are unhappy with what we see, this will be the year to begin working on the changes that will make us better and give us a more meaningful life.

Michelle and I wish you and your loved ones a Happy, Healthy and Sweet New Year.

Rabbi Randall Konigsburg

Birthdays

Helen Ross-9/1
Jane Torff-9/4
Sylvia Cheerman-9/4
Kenneth Goldberg-9/5
Susan Gross-9/5
Joshua Hauer-9/6
David Stern-9/6
Benjamin Rosenberg-9/7
Abe Linner-9/8
Connor O'Brien-9/10

Sam Norman-9/12
Herb Flink-9/12
Rachel Poutre-9/13
Bruce Beck-9/13
David Neuhaus-9/13
Scott Tardif-9/17
Phyllis Winkler-9/17
Jennie Rubin-9/19
Ronald Abrahams-9/20
Aliyah Blumenstein-9/21
Shannon Mallett-9/21



Norman Greenstein-9/22 Marilyn Weil-9/23 Liza Mandel-9/23 Becky Murray-9/24 Howard Grad-9/24 Debra Cinquemani-9/25 Roy Filkoff-9/26 Marcus Fink-9/28 Louise Nathan-9/29 Robert Parnes-9/29



Lilian O'Neil-9/11

Anniversaries

Jay & Susan Stoppelman-9/7
William & Susan Breslau-9/12
Linda & Philip Shamber-9/17
Norman & Corinne Fisher-9/17
Jeff & Diane Wasser-9/19
Leon & Roberta Silverman-9/20
Benjamin & Debra Carlson-9/29





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IRA Assets and Qualified Charitable Distributions-2020 and Beyond

BSBI would like to encourage charitable donations, to help our congregants optimize their charitable giving and to reach their charitable goals. On behalf of the Endowment Board of Trustees I would like to review some of the benefits of gifting Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) to the Endowment. The QCDs may also be used to pay Synagogue dues, contribute to the Hineni Society, make donations to the Capital Campaign and for general charitable purposes

Donation of "Qualified Charitable Distributions" (QCD)

In legislation at year end 2016, Congress made permanent qualified charitable distributions (QCDs) from individual retirement accounts. The SECURE Act was passed in January 2020 while

the CARES Act was signed in late March 2020 in response to the pandemic. Both the SECURE and CARES Acts may impact charitable giving.

Waiver of RMDs

Although the SECURE Act changed the Required Minimum Distribution [RMD] age to 72 from the previous age of 70 1/2 QCDs are still allowed starting at age 70 1/2. The CARES Act waives the required minimum distribution (RMD) for 2020. However, if you are at least age 70 1/2, you may take a distribution from your taxable IRA and use it towards a QCD for 2020.

What are QCDs?

A QCD permits direct transfers to a qualified charity (or charities) totaling up to \$100,000 annually of tax-deferred IRA savings. If married, the taxpayer and spouse may each transfer \$100,000 for a total of \$200,000. QCDs offer advantages over taking a taxable IRA distribution and then contributing the proceeds of that distribution to a charity. The QCD decreases the taxable portion of the IRA distribution included in adjusted gross income. That's a real advantage for a charitably minded IRA owner who doesn't depend on some or all of the RMD for living expenses.

What are important things to know about QCDs?

Only individuals who have attained age 70 ½ or older on the date of distribution may make QCDs. The charitable organization must be an organization that qualifies for a charitable income tax deduction of an individual. The Beth Sholom B'nai Israel Synagogue and the BSBI Endowment qualify as such organizations The BSBI Endowment and Synagogue will be required to provide the same contribution acknowledgement to the owner of the IRA required claiming a charitable tax deduction. Failure to obtain the acknowledgement will quash the QCD. QCDs may be made from any taxable IRA or individual retirement annuity, but not from a simplified employee pension, a simple retirement account, or an inherited IRA. Among other benefits, the use of QCDs for charity may reduce taxable income, reduce state and federal tax, reduce taxation of social security, reduce supplemental IRMMA payments to Medicare parts B and D. Individuals and couples with low as well as high incomes may benefit by contributing QCDs to charity. In Connecticut there is mandatory state income tax withholding of 6.99% on distributions from pension or annuity payments. The donor may file Connecticut tax Form WP-4, or the equivalent with the payor of the IRA, to choose a different withholding alternative.

Examples of using QCDs for charitable giving

There are several attractive options for the use of QCDs for charitable giving. For example, one can use the QCD to pay Synagogue dues, contribute to Hineni and contribute to the Capital Campaign. Another example of optimizing the use of QCD is to establish a **perpetual endowment** fund. By making a QCD donation to the Endowment of BSBI, the donor may create a \$25,000 endowment for BSBI. This endowment may be given over the course of a number of years to reach the level necessary to provide perpetual support of a \$1000 to **Hineni**. By adding to the donation annually the donor could reach a \$45,000 over a number of years. This amount would support a **perpetual Hineni donation at the \$1800** per year level. Details of further possibilities and arrangements for payment can be obtained from the Endowment members or via email noted below. Since the use of QCDs for charitable giving can have specific tax advantages the donor should consult their tax advisor prior to making a QCD contribution. Some plans require significant lead time to process the paperwork so advanced planning may be necessary. For 2020 one can consider making a QCD contribution in January 2021 to get the advantages of offsetting income from the RMD required in 2021.

For further information, contact a member of the Endowment Committee. You may reach out to the BSBI Endowment at BSBIEndowment@myshul.org or directly to Roy Filkoff or Jeff Wasser. Remember to discuss this and all other tax matters with your tax advisor before taking any action.

Sincerely,

Jeff Wasser, MD

President of the BSBI Endowment

Endowment Foundation

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In memory of Frances Breslau on the occasion of her *yahrzeit* from William & Susan Breslau

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The purpose of the donation, including the full name of the person you are honoring and your relation to them (parents, siblings, etc.), if applicable

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September 2020 Evening Minyan Schedule

Please Note: Services will begin at 7:00 PM except where noted.

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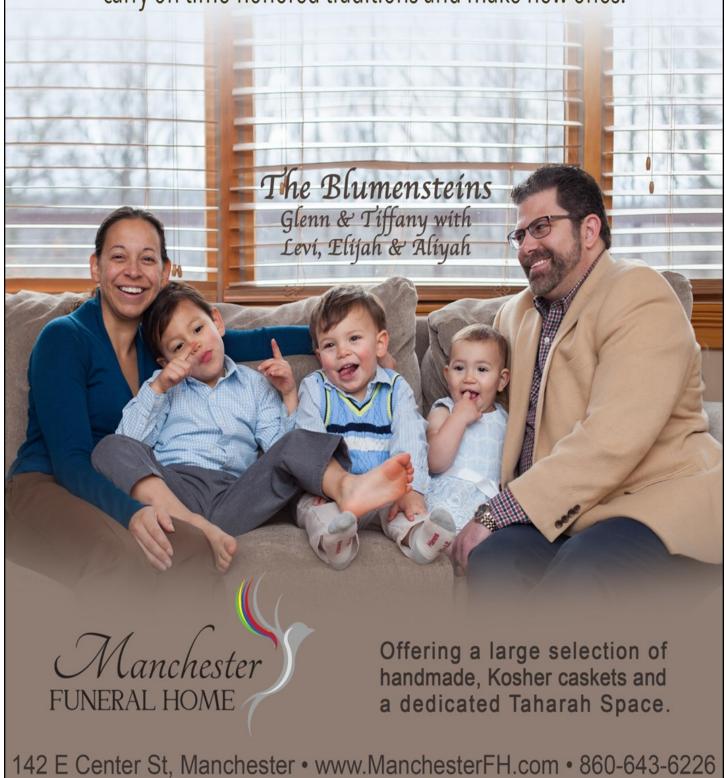
MONDAYS (7:00 PM)	TUESDAYS (7:00 PM)	WEDNESDAYS (7:00 PM)	THURSDAYS (7:00 PM)
First Monday –9/7 Bloostein, Saul & Susan* Delaney, Bill & Deb* Schmerler, Alan & Lea	First Tuesday – 9/1 Banks, Craig Baron, Barry & Joan Bayer, Aaron & Laurie Schiller, Richard & Amy Vinick, Cal	First Wednesday – 9/2 Brodie, Gordon & Bea Creem, Jerry* Karasik, Gail Lerman, Manny & Maxine Pasternak, Lorin*	First Thursday – 9/3 Caplin, Bob & Donna* Luxemburg, Maury Mandell, Carl & Cruz Poutre, Stacey Riedel, Rima
Second Monday – 9/14 Bayer, Bill & Barbara Beck, Bruce Delaney, Bill & Deb* Flink, Herb & Ellie* Keyser, Arnold & Diane* Partney, Philip & Margery	Second Tuesday – 9/8 Grad, Howard & Linda Kalman, Mimi* Lerner, Brenda Norman, Mike & Bonnie Phair, Sandi*	Second Wednesday – 9/9 Creem, Jerry* Leshin, Steven & Barbara Pasternak, Lorin* Resnick, Barry & Renny Zucker, Spin	People Needed Second Thursday – 9/10 Caplin, Bob & Donna * Finkelstein, Paula Norman, Sam & Teri Zupnik, Ted & Barbara*
Third Monday – 9/21 Delaney, Bill & Deb* Keyser, Arnold & Diane* Linner, Abe & Iris Ludlum, Cathy Milzoff, Joel & Irene	Third Tuesday – 9/15 Abrahams, Richard & Leslie Gross, Michael & Susan Ivaldi, Sally Orringer, Nelson & Stephanie	Third Wednesday – 9/16 Creem, Jerry* Gamzon, Bill* Igdalsky, Alan & Hope Pasternak, Lorin* Plen, Donna Stoppelman, Julian & Susan	Third Thursday – 9/17 Borgida, Edward Caplin, Bob & Donna* Klein, Phil Kovensky, Neil McGee, Marcia Murray, Becky* Phair, Sandi*
Fourth Monday – 9/28 Bloostein, Saul & Susan* Delaney, Bill & Deb* Pasternak, Lorin* Rubin, Susan Zimmerman, Eveleen* People Needed	Fourth Tuesday – 9/22 Beede, Harriet Kalman, Mimi* Lassow, Jeff & Liza Mandel Turk, Mike or Maddy* Zimmerman, Eveleen* People Needed	Fourth Wednesday – 9/23 Creem, Jerry* Margolis, Phil & Susan Meyer, Harold Meyer, Judy Murray, Becky* Pasternak, Lorin* Shamash, Rahim & Sherry Zucker, Spin	People Needed Fourth Thursday – 9/24 Burstein, David Caplin, Bob & Donna* Frankel, Ellen Lassow, Marilyn Pearlson, Stan & Sue Zimmerman, Jane People Needed
WE NEED YOUR HELP! We are updating our sparse calling list for evening minyan. Our mourners count on all of us to provide the communal mourning requirement of a minyan to get through tough days. Can we count on you to add your name to the list in the chapel for evening minyan?	Fifth Tuesday – 9/29 Axler, Phil Cole, Daniel & Florence Ellis, Joel & Susan	Fifth Wednesday – 9/30 Abrahams, Ronald and Brina Cohen, Steve & Elly Creem, Jerry* Feir, Alan & Donna Pasternak, Lorin* Turk, Mike & Maddy* Zubrow, Barbara	It is not only the right thing to do, it's a mitzvah. If you can help out, especially if you live less than 10 minutes or 5 miles away, Please call Rabbi Konigsburg at 860-643-9563 Ext. 101 or email rabbenu@myshul.org Thank you

September 2020 Calendar						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	•	1 (12 Elul) 7:00p Mincha/ Maariv	2 (13 Elul) 7:00p Mincha/ Maariv	3 (14 Elul) 7:00p Mincha/ Maariv	4 (15 Elul) 6:00p Friday Night Services Birthdays 6:59p Candle Lighting Sunset: 7:17p	5 (16 Elul) 10:00a Shabbat Services Zoom 7:57p Havdalah Sunset: 7:15p
6 (17 Elul)	7 (18 Elul)	8 (19 Elul)	9 (20 Elul)	10 (21 Elul)	11 (22 Elul)	12 (23 Elul)
	Office Closed Labor Day 7:00p Mincha/Maariv	7:00p Mincha/ Maariv 7:30p Service for Spiritual Healing	7:00p Mincha/ Maariv	4:30p Hebrew School Meet & Greet 7:00p Mincha/ Maariv	6:00p Friday Night Services 6:47p Candle Lighting	10:00a Shabbat Services Zoom 7:45p Havdalah 9:00p Selichot
12 (24 Flui)	14 (25 Flui)	15 (26 Flui)	16 (27 Flui)	Sunset: 7:07p	Sunset: 7:05p	Sunset: 7:03p
Breakfast & Speaker 4:00p Shofar Service - Drive-thru 20 (2 Tishrei) Rosh Hashana	14 (25 Elul) 5:30p Finance Committee 7:00p Mincha/Maariv 7:30p Sisterhood/ Haddassah Book Club 21 (3 Tishrei) Fast of Gedalia	15 (26 Elul) 7:00p Mincha/ Maariv 22 (4 Tishrei) 7:00p Mincha/	16 (27 Elul) 7:00p Mincha/ Maariv 7:30p Board Meeting 23 (5 Tishrei) 7:00p Mincha/	17 (28 Elul) 4:30p Hebrew school Gr 3-7 7:00p Mincha/ Maariv 24 (6 Tishrei) 4:30p Hebrew	Erev Rosh Hashanah Service 7:00p ZOOM Erev Rosh Hashana Service Sunset: 6:53p 25 (7 Tishrei) 6:00p Friday Night	19 (1 Tishrei) Rosh Hashana 8:30a IN PERSON Rosh Hashana Morning Service 8:30a ZOOM Rosh Hashana Morning Service 11:45a ZOOM Family Service 6:00p IN PERSON Rosh Hashana Evening Service 6:00p ZOOM Rosh Hashana Evening Service 7:33p Candle Lighting Sunset: 6:51p 26 (8 Tishrei) Shabbat Shuva
8:30a ZOOM Rosh Hashana Morning Service 8:30a IN PERSON Rosh Hashana Morning Service 5:00p Tashlich 7:31p Havdalah Sunset: 6:49p	7:00p Mincha/Maariv Sunset: 6:48p	Maariv 7:30p Sisterhood Board Meeting	Maariv	school Gr 3-7 7:00p Mincha/ Maariv	Services Zoom 6:23p Candle Lighting	10:00a Shabbat Services Zoom 7:21p Havdalah Sunset: 6:39p
27 (9 Tishrei)	28 (10 Tishrei)	29 (11 Tishrei)	30 (12 Tishrei)		,	•
Erev Yom Kippur 9:00a Hebrew school K-7 10:00a Kever Avot 11:30a Yizkor Service 1:00p Neilah Personal Prayer 6:00p IN PERSON Kol Nidre Service 6:00p ZOOM Kol Nidre Service 6:19p Candle Lighting Sunset: 6:37p	Yom Kippur Yizkor 9:00a ZOOM Yom Kippur Morning 9:00a IN PERSON Yom Kippur Morning 1:30p ZOOM Family Service 4:50p ZOOM Yom Kippur Evening 4:50p IN PERSON Yom Kippur Evening 7:18p Havdalah	7:00p Mincha/ Maariv	7:00p Mincha/ Maariv			

Please note that calendar times are listed as posted in the office as of the date *Chai Lights* goes to print. Any schedule changes after this time will be posted on the online calendar at https://www.myshul.org and included in the bi-weekly announcements. These sources will have the most up to date information on events.

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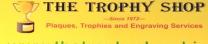


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