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All service times are as listed above unless otherwise noted in the calendar. The entire community is welcome to attend our services.

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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

Monday, September 5 (Elul 9) Labor Day - Office Closed

Sunday, September 11 (Elul 15) 9:00am Hebrew school K-7 9:30am Brotherhood Breakfast & Speaker 12:00pm A Taste of Honey

Monday, September 12 (Elul 16) 7:30pm Sisterhood/Hadassah Book Club

Tuesday, September 13 (Elul 17) 1:30pm Knit & Kvetch

Wednesday, September 14 (Elul 18) 8:30am AAMGT - Golf Tournament

Thursday, September 15 (Elul 19) 4:30pm Hebrew school Gr 3-7

Shabbat, September 17 (Elul 21)
10:00am Junior Congregation
9:00pm Selichot

Sunday, September 18 (Elul 22) 9:00am Hebrew school K-7

Tuesday, September 20 (Elul 24) 7:30pm Sisterhood Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 21 (Elul 25) 7:30pm BOD Board Meeting

Thursday, September 22 (Elul 26) 4:30pm Hebrew school Gr 3-7

Sunday, September 25: Erev Rosh Hashana (Elul 29)

9:00am Hebrew school K-7 10:00am Sisterhood Adventure Walk 7:00pm Erev Rosh Hashana Evening Service

Monday, September 26: Rosh Hashana (Tishrei 1)

Office Closed

8:30am Rosh Hashana Morning Service 11:00am Rosh Hashana Family Service 5:00pm Tashlich 6:00pm Rosh Hashana Evening Service

Tuesday, September 27: Rosh Hashana (Tishrei 2)

Office Closed 8:30am Rosh Hashana Morning Service

Thursday, September 29 (Tishrei 4) 4:30pm Hebrew school Gr 3-7

Condolences to:

Patricia Case, Elizabeth Goldberg Power and the entire family on the loss of husband and father Kenneth Goldberg

Faith, Hope and Prayer

When we go to a magic show, as children or adults, we go in looking to be entertained. We don't believe in the magic; we know there is no such thing as magic, but the sleight of hand and the appearance of magic are fun and we leave scratching our heads and saying, "How did he DO that?"

Rosh Hashana is NOT a magic show. It is not about entertainment. Nothing is going to happen that will leave you amazed or puzzled. We use the same Machzor, the melodies are always familiar, and it takes a really long time to get through it all.

But Rosh Hashana is about seeing old friends, the kind who always sit in seats near us, and the prayers that, over the years, have become "friends" as well. But the real Rosh Hashana does not happen in synagogue, not on the bima and not in congregation. The real Rosh Hashana happens inside ourselves. And it happens only if we let our guard down long enough for our faith to do the work that needs to be done.



The prayers in the Machzor do not change, but they do change us. Often we spend so much time on the physical parts of the service: reading the prayers, standing and sitting, listening to music, reading the explanations and the poetry in the margins of the Machzor. But we hardly even let the prayers into our hearts, to realize that they are trying to tell us something - Something about last year and something about the year that is starting. The prayers are trying to tell us that the time we have together is limited: it is limited by the holiday, limited by the number of days in the year, and limited by the number of years in our lives. Just like an old friend will tell us when we are doing something good or bad, these prayers help us define our actions in the past and help us find meaning and direction in the year that is beginning.

Rosh Hashana may be at the beginning of the year, but it is also about the beginning of the rest of our lives. Nothing in life is so carved in granite that it can't be changed. We can change the direction of our lives, we can fill our time doing acts that make us feel existentially joyful. We can make a difference that could change the world for the better if we but try.

Don't read the words in the Machzor this year. "Listen" to the words. What are they telling you? We are in synagogue because we want to be better in the new year and we don't know how. The Machzor is telling us how, if we only stop to listen to what it has to say. This Rosh Hashana, don't worry about standing and sitting or being on the "correct" page. There will be one page in your book that will call out to you to stop and listen. So stop and listen: listen deeply, maybe find a quiet place at home and contemplate what you have heard. Open your heart and your mind to what your prayers have to say and then you will know - you will really know - why this year it was so important to be in shul for Rosh Hashana.

Jewish History 101 Elul – Tishrei

1 Tishrei - On the Jewish calendar, the first day of Tishrei marks the creation of the world. The Jewish calendar began seven months ago, in Nisan, the time we mark as the beginning of our lives as a free people. Tishrei is the seventh month, but it commemorates the creation of the world. The world was not created on 1 Tishrei; creation is said to have begun seven days earlier. 1 Tishrei marks the first Shabbat, the end of creation, when all of creation was declared by God to be "Very good." Pesach marks the beginning of the people of Israel; Rosh Hashana marks the beginning of the relationship between God and humanity. At this time of year we stop to hear God calling us as God called us on that first Shabbat, to rest, to renew ourselves, and to contemplate how this relationship with the divine will help guide our lives.

Words from the President

I have to be honest; I've been dreading writing my column this month. I mean, it's September...it's Rosh Hashana, it's Yom Kippur... who am I to be writing a column for the entire congregation? Should I write something inspiring? Should it be deep and meaningful? There's really no guide for this - and I partly blame my predecessors for that.

But having said that, would a guide even be appropriate this year? I mean, I'm not leading our synagogue through the depths of a global pandemic (thanks, Jack & Dawn), so all should be back to normal, right? How I wish it were so.

So much has changed over the last two years. We've all gotten used to, and have accepted that, some level of Covid precautions will be part of our daily lives for the foreseeable future. We've become accustomed to remote everything: work, school, prayer. And even though I've been impressed by how adaptable our congregation has been, I find myself asking - at what cost?



Synagogues, churches, mosques (*we're not alone here*) - all have either come to the realization, or are discovering it now, that some of those people who stayed remote, are now questioning whether or not to come back. In fact, some of them have already made their decisions.

Here's what I'd like to ask all of you. If you're reading this column, chances are that you're an active member of the congregation, and we'll be seeing you for the High Holidays. When you get here, *look around*. Who aren't you seeing? Who did you see in 2019 (our last normal year) whom you don't see now? Who do you know who's celebrating Rosh Hashanah with a family gathering, but may have decided to "skip the shul part" this year?

And now call them, talk to them, remind them that a synagogue is more than just a place to go and pray. A synagogue, *OUR* synagogue, is about bringing people together. It's about bringing people together to grow both literally and figuratively. It's about having a place where we can replenish our spirit and nurture our soul. It's about having this place, this community, for our children...and their children too.

I sincerely hope to see you all for the holidays and beyond. And on behalf of my wife Debbie, and my daughters Jordana and Allyson, we all wish you a happy and a healthy year to come. L'shana Tova Tikateyvu!

Russ Benblatt President Beth Sholom B'nai Israel

High Holiday Schedule

ROSH HASHANA

Sunday, September 25, 2022

Candle Lighting 6:24 PM Evening Service 7:00 PM

Monday, September 26, 2022

Morning Service8:30 AM – 12:30 PMShacharit Service8:30 AMTorah Service9:30 AMShofar10:30 AM

Family Service (Monday) 11:00 AM

Tashlich 5:00 PM

This year we are meeting again at The Old Woodbridge Farm at Manchester Green (behind the pizza restaurant). Parking on the street or in the lot behind the Manchester Senior Center. Woodbridge Farmstead, 495 East Middle Turnpike.

Evening Service 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM Mincha/Maariv 6:00 PM Candle-Lighting 7:26 PM

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

Morning Service8:30 AM – 12:30 PMShacharit Service8:30 AMTorah Service9:30 AMShofar10:30 AMHavdalah7:24 PM

YOM KIPPUR

Sunday, October 2, 2022

Kever Avot 10:00 AM
At Beth Sholom Memorial Park, Manchester, CT

Tuesday, October 4, 2022

Kol Nidre 6:00 PM
Candle-Lighting 6:09 PM
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 6:09 pm

Wednesday, October 5, 2022

Morning Service 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Shacharit 9:00 AM
Torah Service 10:30 AM
Yizkor 12:00 PM

Family Service 11:00 AM

Concluding Service 4:15 PM - 7:10 PM
Mincha 4:15 PM
Neilah 5:50 PM
Maariv 6:50 PM
Sounding of Shofar 7:10 PM

Sukkot

Sunday, October 9:

Evening service 6:00 PM

Tuesday, October 10:

Morning service 10:00 am-12:30 PM Mincha/Maariv service 6:00 PM

Tuesday, October 11:

Morning service 10:00 am-12:30 PM

No evening service

The arbah minim (lulav and etrog) will be used at the morning service on Monday, October 10 and Tuesday, October 11.

Shemini Atzeret

Sunday, October 16:

Evening service 6:00 PM

Monday, October 17:

Morning service & Yizkor 10:00 am-12:30 PM

Simchat Torah:

Crazy Hat & Mask service 6:00 PM

Tuesday, October 18:

Simchat Torah:

Morning service 10:00 am-1:00 PM

No evening service

Havdalah 7:18 PM

High Holiday Pages

Selichot at BSBI

Saturday, September 17, beginning at 9:00 pm.

Rabbi Konigsburg and Rabbi Lefkowitz will officiate Selichot. It is the official start of the Yomim Noraim, the Days of Awe, the High Holy Day period of 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. We will also have a special service that night to change the Torah mantles to their white mantles for the New Year. Join us on Sat. night for this special event as well.

Tashlich - Casting Away our Sins

Monday, September 26, at 5:00 pm

Tashlich is on the first day of Rosh Hashana. Tashlich (meaning "casting off") is a practice on the first day of Rosh Hashana. We go to a natural body of flowing water such as a river or brook and throw some breadcrumbs 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."

This year we are meeting again at The Old Woodbridge Farm at Manchester Green (behind the pizza restaurant). Our members and their guests are invited to observe this custom of symbolically throwing away our sins as we cast breadcrumbs on the water. We will meet at the stream on the farm at 5:00 pm. 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.



Kever Avot
Sunday, October 2, at 10:00 am

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. We will hold this service at our cemetery in Manchester on Sunday, October 2, 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.

Lulay 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 \$45 (subject to change based on supply). Please contact the office to order your set. We must have your order before Rosh Hashana to ensure delivery before Sukkot.

Contact the office: (860) 643-9563 Admin@myshul.org

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.

Services for Sukkot will be held according to the schedule found on page 5. The arbah minim (lulav and etrog) will be used at the morning service on Monday, October 10 and Tuesday, October 11, and the blessing is said every other morning at home.

Hoshana Rabba

Sunday, October 16 at 10:00 am

Join us for the unique conclusion of the season of repentance with our Hoshana Rabba service. You will need to order a bundle of "hoshanot" for \$6 by Yom Kippur. Contact the BSBI office if you would like to order. You will use your lulay and etrog as well.

Community

Social Action Committee

Happy New Year!

The Social Action Committee will once again be holding the High Holiday Food Drive. We are grateful to be able to be back in the synagogue for High Holy Day services, and we ask that you remember the less fortunate members of our communities by contributing groceries which will be delivered to our local food pantries. There will be a shopping cart in the lobby where the groceries can be deposited. When you're out shopping, pick up an extra toothpaste, a jar of peanut



Jessie's Garden Cherry Tomatoes, captured by Allison Sawtelle

butter, a six-pack of juice packs or some baby formula to drop in the cart in the lobby. Don't let it slip your mind: A small item from you can be a bright spot in someone else's day.

We are also grateful to the volunteers who tended Jessie's Garden, which is providing fresh produce to our local food pantries. The garden is healthy and productive this summer.

<u>Update Your Contact</u> <u>Information!</u>

- Have a new cell number or gave up your landline?
- Want to be added to our email list to get our biweekly announcements, sad news notifications and other important information related to the congregation?
- Think you signed up to get emails but haven't received any?
- Planning on moving or getting a new email address?
- Have a child who has gone off to college and would like to keep up to date with life at BSBI?
- Please contact the office directly regarding ANY changes or issues by or by sending an email to admin@myshul.org.

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

A Taste of Honey

Sunday, September 11th 12:00pm-2:00pm

Join us in celebrating the beginning of a new year with our annual A Taste of Honey! This event is open to everyone in the BSBI & RLWRS Community.

Come and enjoy Apples, Honey & a BBQ!



Cemetery Updates:

Sunday, October 16 2:30 PM

There will be a congregational meeting to discuss and vote on updates to the Cemetery rules and regulations.



Rabbi Leon Wind Religious School Update

A Teaching Moment from Rabbi Alan

L'shana Tova Tikateivu v'Teichateimu! May you be inscribed for a good year and sealed for blessing in the Book of Life!

A new year is a time of hope, change and action, a promise of fresh beginnings and bright potential. A new year is unblemished by disappointment or mistakes. Anything is possible.

We acknowledge this truth with our understanding that Rosh Hashanah represents "Hayom harat olam," the birthday of the world. On this day it all started. On this day, everything begins anew.

What a marvelous message! We really can do anything.

In this New Year we have yet to face any challenges. We have failed no tests. Whatever went wrong last year, we now get a do-over, a chance to begin again—like an artist standing before a brand-new canvas.

This promise of infinite potential is a gift from God—quite literally, because God's holiest name in Judaism, the four-letter Hebrew word YHVH, combines the words "is," "was," and "will be." God's own nature is absolute potential. Everything is possible for God; through the new year, that possibility is shared with us.

As our school year begins, we can set new, exciting goals for ourselves—and plan to achieve them. We start this holy new year with clean hands and a pure heart.

We can choose to live lives that truly reflect our values. We can choose to make this a better year. We can choose to make our lives count—to make them holy. All we have to do is embrace this extraordinary opportunity.

May each of us find our own renewal. And may this become a year of tranquility, blessing, health, and goodness, for you and your family.

Jody joins me in wishing you, in 5783, a shana tova, a year of goodness, blessing, holiness, and hope.

Rabbi Alan



Celebration Dates in September



Happy Birthday to:

Sylvia Cheerman 9/4
Susan Gross 9/5
David Stern 9/6
Joshua Hauer 9/6
Abe Linner 9/8
Connor O'Brien 9/10
Lilian O'Neil 9/11
Herb Flink 9/12
Brandon Maynard 9/12
Samuel Norman 9/12
Bruce Beck 9/13
David Neuhaus 9/13
Rachel Poutre 9/13
Scott Tardif 9/17

Phyllis Winkler 9/17
Dane Petrucelli 9/19
Erez Rubin 9/19
Ronald Abrahams 9/20
Aliyah Blumenstein 9/21
Reese (Marisa) Goldsmith 9/22
Liza Mandel 9/23
Howard Grad 9/24
Becky Murray 9/24
Debra Cinquemani 9/25
Roy Filkoff 9/26
Marcus Fink 9/28
Robert Parnes 9/29

Happy Anniversary to:

William & Susan Breslau 9/12
Jeffrey & Diane Wasser 9/19
Leon & Roberta Silverman 9/20
Lawrence & Julie Marks 9/22
Benjamin & Debra Carlson 9/29



Have a simcha you want to share with the congregation? Make sure to notify Allison at programming@myshul.org so she can include it in the bulletin!



If we have overlooked a special date please contact us at: 860-643-9563 ext. 100 so that we may celebrate it in the future.

Sisterhood Speaks

Mimi Kalman, Editor

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What's Ahead for Sisterhood

Monday, September 12 7:45 pm: Hadassah - Sisterhood Book Club

Tuesday, September 13 1:30 pm: Knit & Kvetch

<u>Tuesday, September 20</u> 7:30 pm: Sisterhood Zoom Board meeting

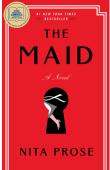
Sunday, September 25 10:00 am: Adventure Walk

Anytime: Yoga with Adriene on YouTube.

<u> Hadassah - Sisterhood Book Club</u>

Our next meeting will be on Monday, September 12 at 7:45 pm on Zoom. If you want to catch up with other members you can log on at 7:30 pm.

The Mary Cheney Research librarian has ordered the book The Maid by Nita Prose and will be holding copies of the books for the BSBI Book Club. The zoom link will be posted closer to the meeting date.



Maxine Lerman and Becky Murray

Adventure Walk

Hi Walkers, we'll be walking again on Sunday, September 25, at 10:00 am. Hope you had a great summer; time to get moving again. Come with us, wear a mask, we'll keep our distance and get some exercise.

Family members and spouses are welcome to join, socially distanced from those not in the family bubble.

So meet us in BSBI's parking lot by 10:00 am. We will decide where we are going and off we will go! Margie Partney

Sisterhood Gift Shop <u>Your Source for all Your Simchot</u>

Invited to someone's home for Rosh Hashanah? Need a hostess gift? Check out our assortment of honey pots. If you don't see what you need, we'll be happy to order it for you.

And look for the Gift Shop table at the "Taste of Honey" event on Sunday, September 11 at 12pm.

Please call Harriet Beede or Brenda Lerner, and we'll be happy to meet you at a time that is convenient for you.

Harriet Beede, hmbeede@gmail.com, 860-305-8711 Brenda Lerner, brenler@cox.net, 860-643-9700

Torah Fund Cards

Condolences to Rick and Bonnie Lasker in memory of their son Brian, and condolences to Patricia Case and family in memory of her husband Kenneth Goldberg from Judy and Harold

Condolences to Sandra Levy in memory of her husband Donald from Steve and Barbara Leshin.

Condolences to Patricia Case in memory of her beloved husband, Kenneth Goldberg, and condolences to Elizabeth and Timothy Power in memory of her beloved father, Kenneth Goldberg, from Mimi Kalman.

Condolences to Patricia Case and Elizabeth Power in memory of Ken Goldberg from Rima Riedel.

To order cards for all occasions contact our Torah Fund Card Chairperson Lynn Cohen at (860-298-0457) or cohenlynn334@gmail.com.

Share an Oneg

The pulpit flowers for Rosh Hashanah, September 25, will be sponsored by Eveleen Zimmerman and family in memory of beloved husband and father, Elliott Zimmerman.

Call or email me if you would like to enhance your Simcha with pulpit flowers.

> Mimi Kalman, Pulpit Flower Chair, mimrk524@gmail.com, 860-649-3890

Knit & Kvetch

If you love to knit or crochet come do a mitzvah and put your talents to use. Join Knit and Kvetch! We meet the second Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. at the Temple. This month our meeting date is Tuesday, September 13, at 1:30 pm at BSBI. You can also work on projects at home.

This year we are in need of hats, mittens, scarves, and afghans. If you are rusty in knitting or crocheting, we can help you with a refresher course.

We can always use 100% acrylic yarns or monetary donations. If you wish to make a donation to the group, write out the check to BSBI Sisterhood and write Knit & Kvetch on the memo line.We also have access to yarn that you can use for your projects.

If you have any questions, you can email me at Irannefink@gmail.com or call me: 860-649-6551.

Anne Fink



Brotherhood Corner

Brotherhood's September Speaker

Sunday, September 11 at 9:00 AM

Jay Bigman has been an independent financial advisor for the past 32 years. Located in South Windsor, he is a Five Star Professional Financial Advisor as published in *Connecticut Magazine* for the past three years. He also holds a Behavioral Financial Advisor certification.

He will be presenting a program covering the Israeli Stock market and ways to invest in Israeli stocks. He will also talk about retirement and income planning in a volatile stock market.





Blackledge Country Club September 14, 2022



The Abitz-Angel Memorial Golf Tournament is back for our 25th year!

Sponsorships, Registration and Volunteer information available online at aamgtgolf.com

Join Us As A Sponsor

Put your business front & center with one of Connecticut's longest running charity golf tournaments. Sponsorship levels to accommodate any business and any budget.

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and More!

Join Us For Golf

There's no better way to spend the day than 18-holes at the beautiful Blackledge Country Club, while raising much needed funds for Connecticut Children's!

Free Beer, Wine & Soda on the Course Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Raffles - Contests - Auctions

ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT

The Abitz-Angel Memorial Golf Tournament is named in memory of two dedicated men who endlessly gave back to the community. Todd Abitz was one of the tournament founders, and helped it grow to the successful fundraising event it has become today. After his passing, the tournament was renamed in Todd's honor.

Bill Angel played in the tournament for most of its existence, contributed generously, and helped the event grow for nearly two decades. Before passing away from a brain tumor in 2017, Bill asked that any memorial donations be given to the Connecticut Children's Center for Cancer & Blood Disorders. This final act of charity and selflessness inspired us to add his name to the tournament and designate Connecticut Children's as the primary beneficiary for this annual charity event.

Hole-in-One Contest for a New Car sponsored by



TOURNAMENT DAY

8:30 a.m. Registration, Breakfast, and

Raffle Entry

10:00 a.m. Shotgun Start

10:00 - 4:00 Tournament, Contests, Lunch

4:00 p.m. Dinner & Live Auction*



Sign up for our mailing list and stay up to date on tournament info

<u>aamgtgolf.com</u>

*All tournament activities, including the dinner and live auction following tournament play, will be solely dependent on the current Covid situation leading up to September 14th, 2022. Updates to tournament schedule and activities will be posted on our website at aamgtgolf.com

Leave a Jewish Legacy



IRA Assets and Qualified Charitable Distributions

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 as well as contribute to the Hineni Society.

Donation of "Qualified Charitable Distributions" (QCD)

In legislation at year end 2016, Congress made permanent qualified charitable distributions (QCDs) from individual retirement accounts.

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. QCDs offer advantages over taking a taxable IRA distribution and then contributing the proceeds of that distribution to a charity. That's because taxable IRA distributions must be included in adjusted gross income. Importantly, QCDs automatically satisfy required minimum distributions (RMDs) for the year when the QCD is made. 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've 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 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.

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 and contribute to Hineni. 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 paper work, so advanced planning may be necessary.

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 Will this be the year to leave YOUR Jewish legacy?



Do you have a will? Have you considered a bequest to BSBI?

Join those members of our Jewish community who have come together to build endowments and legacies to secure a bright Jewish future for BSBI.



For more information, please email: BSB/Endowment@myshul.org

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Anne and Leon Kramer Fund	Ruth Podrove Melton Fund	Aida S. Nesselroth Educational Enhancement Fund*	Plepler Family Fund	Nathan Chesler Fund A. Elmer Diskan Fund	is Great!
Max Lundy Fund	Barney, Jean, Rachel, and Sarah Moses Education Fund	Saul and Carol Nesselroth Fund for Israel Advocacy	Jay E. Rubinow Fund	Ruben Fialkoff Fund	Endowments are
Laurie Margolis Fund	Gertrude and Abraham Podrove Fund	George and Lillian Sandals Fund	Rita and David Schmerler Fund	Morris and Ann Firestone Fund	an opportunity for each of us to
Cantor Israel and Irene Tabatsky Fund	Podrove - Resnick Fund	Ruth and Jack Sandals Fund	Leonard Seader Fund	Rhoda Goldstein Fund	provide for our
Marsha and Samuel Yules Fund	Martin L. Rubin Fund	Rabbi Jeshaia and Hilde Schnitzer Fund	Shapiro Family Fund	Edith Gottlieb Fund	synagogue on a continuous basis
Pauline and Isadore Zackin Fund	Nat N. and Gertrude Sturm Schwedel Fund	Saul and Rebecca Silverstein Fund	Eileen & Fred Stern Family Fund	Leo and Shirley Juran Fund	by creating a
Diane and Jeffrey Wasser Ramah Scholarship Fund	Berdine Spector Stoltz Fund	Weil-Braunsberg Fund*	Blanche and Robert Stone Fund	Kahaner Family Fund	permanent tribute to our values and
•		Elliott and Eveleen Zimmerman Library Fund	Continuity Fund	Ethel and Nathan Kasowitz Fund	principles. Our synagogue
			Program Enhancement Beth Sholom B'nai Israel	Marcus Family and Bula Family Fund	is here for you as you experience
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Bernard and May Kahn and Eli and Rose Lerman Fund	Murray H. and Celia D. Novins Fund	David S. and Norma C. Garber Fund		Reichlin Family Fund	*These funds can also
Rubinow-Schwolsky Fund		Miriam Barshay Lassow and Herman Lassow Fund		Pauline and Nathan Rubin Fund	be used in Rabbi Leon Wind Religious School
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For information about establishing an Endowment Fund or leaving a bequest, contact Dr. Jeffrey Wasser BSBIEndowment@myshul.org or Rabbi Konigsburg 860-643-9563 x101.

Contributions from Thoughtful People

ANNE & LEON KRAMER FUND

Yahrzeit of Leon Kramer, beloved father and grandfather; Bella Clare, beloved grandmother; Annie Kramer, beloved grandmother, from Carol & Paul Leiman & Family

DIANE & BARRY WEINBAUM FUND

Yahrzeit of Barry Weinbaum from Martin Weinbaum

GENERAL FUND

In memory of Kenneth Goldberg from his friends at the Division of Rights of Way Get Well, Rabbi & Michelle, better health days ahead from Merle Lassow

Happy Anniversary to Jack & Lynn Cohen from Merle Lassow

Happy Birthday to Marty Agulnek on his 80th birthday from Diane & Mitchell Wurmbrand Happy Birthday to Michael Turk from Richard & Carole Guttman

In appreciation of all your work from Frances Keller

In honor of Mike Turk's special birthday from Gordon & Beatrice Brodie

In honor of Saul Nesselroth's birthday from Manuel & Maxine Lerman

In honor of Mike Turk's 80th birthday from Ronald & Susan Scherick

In memory of Kenneth Goldberg. He will be missed from Bob & Linda Johnson

In memory of Norman Fisher from Dr. Kenneth Wichman

In memory of Ken Goldberg from Dr. Kenneth Wichman

In memory of Kenneth Goldberg from Kelly Incorporated

In memory of Kenneth Goldberg from Malcolm & Susan Barlow

In memory of Jay Stoppelman from Merle Lassow

In memory of my cousin Kenneth Goldberg. I was shocked to hear of his passing and will miss him very much from Robert & Susan Aaron Yahrzeit of Lou Haight & Pauline Frucht from Dr. & Mrs. Barry Haight

Yahrzeit of Miriam Nitzberg, mother and grandmother, from Drs. David & Ellen Neuhaus

Yahrzeit of my mother Anna Elefant from Drs. Peter & Emily Buch

Yahrzeit of my father, Benson Ginsburg, & his parents, Morris & Sonia Ginsburg; great aunts & uncles massacred on August 1942 in Brzozow, Poland from Harold & Judy Meyer Yahrzeit of Nannette Bernstein from Harold Bernstein

Yahrzeit of Daniel Goldberg and Helen Ball from Melvin & Elyse Spielberg

Yahrzeit of Milton Krasne from Michael & Madeline Turk

Yahrzeit of Barbara Moses from Monroe Moses Yahrzeit of Louis Searle from Mr. Jonas Searle Yahrzeit of Roslyn Golding Abrahams from Richard & Leslie Abrahams Yahrzeit of Archie Jacobs, father of Susan Scherick, from Ronald & Susan Scherick Yahrzeit of Fred Horn from Stuart & Esther Horn

IOE DAVIS FUND

In honor of Ron & Brina Abrahams, well deserved receiving of the Joe Davis award & their 59th wedding anniversary from Mimi Kalman

LEONARD SEADER FUND

Happy Anniversary and Happy Birthday to Judie & Bruce Zundell from Sissy Seader Happy Birthday to Bev Byk from Sissy Seader Happy Birthday to Lea Schmerler from Sissy Seader

In memory of my special son-in-law Cliff Pullman from Sissy Seader

In memory of my special friend Gloria Byk from Sissy Seader

Joe & Edith Gottlieb from Sissy Seader Yahrzeit of beloved husband, Lenny, from Sissy Seader

Contributions from Thoughtful People

NELLIE KATZ COHEN FUND

Get Well to Rabbi & Michelle Konigsburg from Sissy Seader

In memory of my niece, Elaine Werby, from Sissy Seader

In memory of my son-in-law, Cliff Pullman, and husband, Lenny Seader, from Sissy Seader

PHAIR FAMILY FUND

In memory of Ken Goldberg from Sandi Phair

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Happy Birthday to Mike Turk from Ronald & Brina Abrahams

In honor of Mike Turk's 80th birthday. You'll never catch me! from Herb Koenig

Yahrzeit of Adeline Chorches from Samuel
Chorches

SHABBAT LUNCHEON FUND

Yahrzeit of Sally Ivaldi from David Stern & Rebecca Rumbo

SHELDON & DORIS ADLER FUND

In memory of Doris Adler, beloved mother, and grandmother from Mimi Kalman

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

Happy Birthday to Mike Turk on his 80th birthday from Elly and Steve Cohen



September 2022 Calendar

		Septeme		arciidai		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 (5 Elul) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	2 (6 Elul) 6:00pm Friday Night Services 7:04pm Candle Lighting Sunset: 7:22pm	3 (7 Elul) 10:00am Shabbat Services 8:06pm Havdalah Sunset: 7:21pm
4 (8 Elul)	5 (9 Elul)	6 (10 Elul)	7 (11 Elul)	8 (12 Elul)	9 (13 Elul)	10 (14 Elul)
	Labor Day Office Closed	7:00pm Mincha/ Maariv	7:00pm Mincha/ Maariv	7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	6:00pm Friday Night Services 6:52pm Candle Lighting Sunset: 7:10pm	10:00am Shabbat Services 7:54pm Havdalah Sunset: 7:09pm
11 (15 Elul)	12 (16 Elul)	13 (17 Elul)	14 (18 Elul)	15 (19 Elul)	16 (20 Elul)	17 (21 Elul)
9:00am Hebrew school K-7 9:00am Morning Minyan 9:30am Brotherhood Breakfast & Speaker 12:00pm A Taste of Honey	7:00pm Mincha/Maariv 7:30pm Sisterhood/ Hadassah Book Club	1:30pm Knit & Kvetch 7:00pm Mincha/ Maariv	8:30am AAMGT - Golf Tournament 7:00pm Mincha/ Maariv	4:30pm Hebrew school Gr 3-7 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	6:00pm Friday Night Services 6:40pm Candle Lighting	10:00am Shabbat Services 10:00am Junior Congregation 7:41pm Havdalah 9:00pm Selichot
18 (22 Elul)	19 (23 Elul)	20 (24 Elul)	21 (25 Elul)	22 (26 Elul)	Sunset: 6:58pm 23 (27 Elul)	Sunset: 6:56pm 24 (28 Elul)
9:00am Hebrew school K-7		7:00pm Mincha/ Maariv 7:30pm Sisterhood Board Meeting	_		6:00pm Friday Night Services 6:28pm	10:00am Shabbat Services 7:29pm Havdalah
25 (29 Elul)	26 (1 Tishrei)	27 (2 Tishrei)	28 (3 Tishrei)	29 (4 Tishrei)	30 (5 Tishrei)	24,12011 01,445111
Erev Rosh Hashana 9:00am Hebrew school K-7 10:00am Sisterhood Adventure Walk 6:24pm Candle Lighting 7:00pm Erev Rosh Hashana Evening Service	Rosh Hashana Office Closed 8:30am Morning Service 11:00am Family Service 5:00pm Tashlich 6:00pm Evening Service 7:26pm Candle Lighting	Rosh Hashana Office Closed 8:30am Rosh Hashana Morning Service 7:24pm Havdalah	Fast of Gedalia 7:oopm Mincha/ Maariv	4:30pm Hebrew school Gr 3-7 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	6:00pm Friday Night Services 6:16pm Candle Lighting	
					Sunset: 6:34pm	

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Friday, October 28, 2022 Service at 6:00 pm Dinner to follow.



Choices are poultry (chicken or turkey) or salmon.

\$20 per person \$50 for family of 3 or more (families can mix & match dinner choices)

All gluten free other than dessert.

Registration ends at 4:00 pm on Thursday, October 20