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## BSBI'S CHAI LIGHTS

June & July 2023



# Sisterhood Shabbat in the Garden

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**Monday - 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 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



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday, June 4 (Sivan 15)**

9:01am Morning Minyan  
9:30am Brotherhood Breakfast & Speaker

**Shabbat, June 10 (Sivan 21)**

10:00am Shabbat Services  
12:30pm Shabbat Luncheon honoring new members

**Sunday, June 11 (Sivan 22)**

12:30pm BSBI at the Theatre

**Monday, June 12 (Sivan 23)**

6:00pm Security Training - Be Aware (at Beth Hillel)  
7:30pm Sisterhood/Hadassah Book Club

**Tuesday, June 13 (Sivan 24)**

1:30pm Knit & Kvetch

**Shabbat, June 17: Shabbat Mevarchim (Sivan 28)**

10:00am Shabbat Services  
12:30pm Shabbat Lunch - Abrahams

**Wednesday, June 21 (Tammuz 2)**

7:30pm BOD Board Meeting

**Tuesday, June 27 (Tammuz 8)**

7:30pm Sisterhood Installation of Officers

**Monday, July 3 & Tuesday, July 4 (Tammuz 14-15)**  
Office Closed

**Tuesday, July 11 (Tammuz 22)**

1:30pm Knit & Kvetch

**Monday, July 17 (Tammuz 28)**

6:00pm Security Training - Countering An Active Threat (at Beth Hillel)

**Friday, July 21st**

6:00pm Sisterhood Summer Kabbalat Shabbat Service in the Garden

**Tuesday, July 25 (Av 7)**

7:30pm Sisterhood Board Meeting

**Condolences to:**

Son, Michael (Sara) Kavitsky and brother, Jack (Lynn) Cohen and the entire family on the loss of Marcia Kavitsky

Wife, Cecelia Wasser; children, Jeff (Diane) Wasser, Kenneth (Deborah) Wasser, Eric (Zdenka) Wasser, and Neil (Susan) Wasser; and sister, Gloria Schneider on the loss of Edward Wasser



## Faith, Hope, and Prayer

Just for the record, the fact that you might not have enjoyed your Religious School experience does not mean that your children will suffer through it, like you did. The fact that so many people gave up on Jewish learning after their Bar/Bat Mitzvah does not mean that everyone should stop Jewish learning at age 13.

Now that I have that out of the way, the question remains: what can we do, what should we do, to better understand our Judaism? And what role does it play in our lives even though we left learning behind many years ago? I often tell people that what put me on the path of Jewish learning that eventually grew into my life as a rabbi, was the idea that came to me when I was a teenager—that if Judaism was so uninteresting, why did it still exist? As a child, I attended a synagogue with a rabbi who had many great qualities, but educating children was not one of them. What I realized, as a teen, was that something was terribly wrong with my understanding of Judaism, and I needed to know what really made my faith worthwhile. In USY, my youth group, I found experienced teachers who helped me understand what a life of faith is all about. I have never stopped learning about Judaism since. (Thank you, Rabbi Mark Loeb z'l and Richard Friedman for saving me).

Jewish learning is a continuum; as we get older, we learn to examine Torah, prayer, and theology more deeply. We learn to think critically about Jewish law: how can it make our lives better? which parts are no longer appropriate for a modern world? We can try on mitzvot to see what effect they have in our life and how these actions affect others. We find new ways to find God and to understand God. We learn to see the world through Jewish eyes, eyes that see through what is false and destructive, and look ahead to a world where justice, compassion, and peace drive our decisions.

There are mystical secrets in Judaism, but to find them we need to graduate from the prerequisites of learning Torah and Jewish philosophy. We first get grounded in the day-to-day of Jewish life before we can begin to soar into the lofty realms of Jewish mysticism. There is also a level of maturity needed before we are ready to see the miracles behind the miracles.

In short, Judaism is a great treasure that belongs to all of us. It can enrich our lives, it can enrich our relationships, and it can enrich our understanding of the most puzzling and dangerous moments in our lives. For those who had a limited education as a child, it is never too late to come back and claim the treasure that is our faith. Its value is far beyond rubies.

Ready to claim the treasure? [www.Myjewishlearning.com](http://www.Myjewishlearning.com) has the first clues to finding your way forward in faith. Summer is the best time to start a Jewish journey.

[Some of you may be surprised to find me still here after my retirement. Sorry for the confusion. The date of my retirement is next summer! We have one more journey together through the calendar before that time.]

Rabbi Randall J. Konigsburg



## A Word From Our President

It's hard to believe that it was just one year ago that I introduced myself to many of you. We were fresh off our Annual Meeting, and we were all looking at the year ahead—just as we are now. But unlike last year, we have now had a year of relative normality, and many of the things we did before the pandemic were once again on our collective calendars.

Until the Annual meeting this May, I was always wondering, “How many people actually read my column each month?” But much to my surprise, I found out that many of you do. So, I'm going to take this opportunity to ask those of you who are reading this, but weren't able to attend the meeting—

Take a Look Around You!

Whether it's at Shabbat services, Brotherhood or Sisterhood events, or other shul activities, take a look around you and take note of who you DON'T see. Who are the people that haven't come back to services? Who did you expect to see at some event, who just hasn't come back? Basically, who were you expecting to see, that you don't, or haven't, seen in a while?

Life sometimes gets in the way of living—we get it. To be perfectly honest, I'm as guilty as the next person. I often let obligations get in the way of the things that I want to do, like coming to Shabbat services more often.

All I can ask is that you make a commitment, the same commitment that I am making to you right now, to do everything you can to show up!

Sometimes, showing up is all that it takes. You may serve as an inspiration to someone, and it certainly gives you a great opening line when you say, “I'm going to services tomorrow ... are you?”

Again, take a look around you. Who can you pick up the phone and call to ask, “Want to come with me?”

I hope you all have a wonderful summer!

Russ Benblatt

President

Beth Sholom B'nai Israel



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## Search Committee

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### The Rabbi Search—Overview

Dear Congregants,

By now you are all aware that in February, Rabbi Konigsburg announced his decision to retire at the end of the next liturgical year (June 30, 2024). In March, our president, Russ Benblatt, announced to the Board of Directors that he had appointed Mike Turk to head up the Rabbi Search Committee. The committee met in May to organize a timeline and schedule upcoming events, beginning this summer.

Since we are just beginning a complex series of tasks and events, it seems useful to provide a brief outline of what the search process entails, and where we are in that process.

When we conducted our last search, in 2015-16, we had two years' notice of Rabbi Plavin's retirement. This time, though, we have only about a year to find our next rabbi. As a result, we need to undertake a number of tasks within a very few months.

Our contact at United Synagogue tells us that the overall timeline has become compressed since our last search eight years ago; nowadays, rabbis seeking pulpits typically send their applications in October and November, with in-person weekends held in December and January. This is one or two months earlier than in our last search. In order to be proactive, the Search Committee plans to post our job listing with the Rabbinical Assembly in September.

Mike has already notified the RA that we will be seeking a new rabbi to succeed Rabbi Konigsburg. Committee members have also begun updating the lengthy questionnaire which must be submitted to the RA before we can post our job opening. This allows potential candidates to get a sense of our congregation before they decide to apply. The questionnaire requires us to describe our synagogue community in exhaustive detail, from our physical plant (describe the building; describe the sanctuary), to our finances (what salary will we offer the new rabbi?), to our religious services (which Siddur do we use? are our services egalitarian? do any congregants chant Torah and Haftorah?).

Although some of the RA's requirements have loosened up, new seminary graduates are still not eligible to become the sole rabbi of a smaller shul such as BSBI. We can expect that any applicants for our position will be experienced rabbis who have already spent some time in congregations.

In the meantime, the Search Committee needs to gather information from the congregation. This is where you come in! As in our last search, congregants will be asked first to respond to a survey, and then to attend an in-person Community Conversation. Your input and answers to questions will steer the committee's consideration of applicants. The accompanying article will explain this process in more detail.

The Rabbi Search Committee

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## Search Committee

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### The Rabbi Search—Congregational Input

Dear Congregants,

The search for a new rabbi is a complex process, but it begins with input from you, the members of BSBI. The Search Committee cannot even begin to compose a job description until we hear from you: your thoughts and priorities. What kind of rabbi do we need for the future of BSBI? What will be his or her most essential skills and characteristics?

We begin with two steps: a survey of your opinions, and an evening of conversation in small groups.

#### **The First Step: A Congregational Survey**

The first step in this process is for all members of the congregation to participate in a survey that will help us focus on the most important skills and attributes that we seek in a rabbi. We hope to achieve 100% participation in this survey; your thoughts and opinions are vital to this process.

The survey will be distributed via e-mail to those members who have computer capability; to those who don't, a paper survey will be made available upon request. The survey will be available for two weeks only, from June 6 to June 20. Please respond to the survey when it arrives in your email, and send us your results as soon as possible.

The survey is anonymous, and should take no more than a few minutes to complete. It is a small investment of your time, but it will have a lasting effect on the future of Beth Sholom B'nai Israel. Please fill it out and help shape our future!

#### **The Second Step: An In-Person Conversation**

As in our last search, we want to include as many members as possible in an in-person Community Conversation, to be held in late July. We recognize that some of you may be away on vacation at this time; however, the very limited timeline does not permit us to wait until autumn to gather this vital information.

Our Community Conversation will take place after minyan on Monday, July 24. It will be held in person at BSBI. We will gather in the Auditorium for a brief orientation, and then divide into small groups (15 or fewer) for more detailed conversations that will examine in detail which qualities we seek in our new rabbi.

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The information gleaned from both the survey and the Community Conversation will ensure that our questionnaire and our job listing reflect the priorities and opinions of a broad sample of our congregation, not merely the notions of a small committee. As before, Merle Cohen will organize the Community Conversation.

Because this issue of the *Bulletin* covers June and July, we are giving you this information in as timely a manner as possible. E-blasts and weekly emails will provide more detail as we move forward with this process. But for now, consider the survey and the Community Conversation to be your summer homework!

To clarify: when we get to the point in the process where job candidates will be invited to BSBI to spend Shabbat with us, we will ask the congregation to rate the applicants. But that's a few months down the road; for now, our focus is on the survey and the Conversation.

It is our hope that, with your participation in this process, BSBI will go from strength to strength!

The Rabbi Search Committee

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## Community Events

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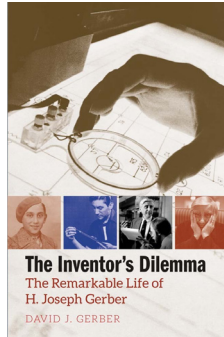


### Rabbi Richard Plavin Library

David Alter, Librarian

*The Inventor's Dilemma: The Remarkable Life of H. Joseph Gerber*  
by David Gerber

This month's book is about the extraordinary life and career of the twentieth-century inventor, technologist, and business magnate H. Joseph Gerber, a Holocaust survivor whose early experiences shaped his principles of invention. Gerber pioneered important developments in engineering, electronics, printing, apparel, aerospace, and numerous other areas, playing an essential role in the transformation of American industry. Gerber's story is remarkable and inspiring; his method, redolent of Edison's and Sperry's, holds a key to a restored national economy and American creative vitality in the twenty-first century.



Gerber led an exciting and dramatic life, from his escape from the Nazis and his Horatio Alger-style rise from rags to riches in New York, to his first invention: a measuring device made from the elastic waistband of his pajamas. The book also details the start of his company, Gerber Scientific.

After arriving in Hartford, CT, Gerber completed high school in two years. He then won a scholarship to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) in upstate New York, which he attended from age 19. As a junior at RPI, Gerber came up with a new kind of graphical numerical calculator, which he called a Gerber Variable Scale. This device looked like a slide rule, but used a triangular calibrated spring to make calculations.

In order to market his invention, Gerber formed the Gerber Scientific Instrument Company. While still in college, he turned to one of his former employers, who did a test sale of the new instrument, and then loaned Gerber \$3,000 to start his own company.

His most striking characteristic was his generosity. His goal was to invent products that helped people, not just make money. Gerber and his team were always interested in helping people and improving their lives, with the consideration that if they did, the money would come. A businessman who put people ahead of profits—what a novel idea. This was a man who worked every day of his life to help mankind, using his talents to make the world a better place.

And this is also a story of forgiveness. Despite what his family went through, regardless of all the suffering he experienced in his early life, Gerber always had faith in his fellow man, and always tried to help the world around him with kindness and generosity instead of the bitterness and rancor some might say he was entitled to feel.

Want to buy a dress?



We are in the process of having new Torah Mantles (coverings) made and are still looking for sponsors for the project. If you would like to sponsor one of the mantles, please contact Rabbi Koningsberg for details. Thank you for your consideration.

Maury Luxemburg



### Security Training Series

The Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford partners with a nation-wide security advisory organization called Secure Community Network (SCN). Part of our relationship with SCN includes training opportunities that help us continue to thrive in an open and secure way. These sessions are well-crafted, engaging, and very practical.

Join us for a series of training classes at Temple Beth Hillel, located at 20 Baker Lane, South Windsor. It is recommended that folks come to all three sessions because they each cover different elements of security:

["Be Aware"](#) Monday, June 12th at 6pm

["Countering Active Threat"](#) Monday July 17th at 6pm

["Stop the Bleed"](#) Monday, August 28th at 6pm

Pre-registration is required for each session. Click on the title of each training session to register.



## Community Events

### Shabbat Luncheon

The next Shabbat Luncheon will be on June 10th: New Member Shabbat! Please join us as we welcome some of our new members during the service, and come introduce yourselves to them at our kiddush lunch following the service.

There will also be a luncheon on June 17th, sponsored by Ron & Brina Abrahams in celebration of their 60th Anniversary. We hope to have a free monthly luncheon open to all (though registration will be requested to determine attendance numbers). Further luncheons will return after the High Holidays. These luncheons will be financially supported by the Shabbat Luncheon Fund. If you would like to make donations or sponsor a luncheon, please contact Maury Luxemburg or Judy Sawtelle through the office.



### Update Your Contact Information!

Have a new cell number or gave up your landline?

Want to be added to our email list to get our weekly 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](mailto:admin@myshul.org).

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

### From your Social Action Committee

Your Social Action Committee sends a reminder:  
The FOOD CART is always in the lobby and there's always room for more.

The lazy days of summer are here: less stress, more fun, time to relax. While you're out shopping and gathering supplies for vacation, don't forget to buy duplicates for the grocery cart in the lobby so we can get those summer supplies to MACC and HVCC. Families who rely on those food pantries need summer staples, too. Practice a little "one for me, one for them" philosophy while you shop.

Jessie's Garden is in full swing. No silver bells or cockle shells, but lots of good stuff all in a row. We can always use helpers to water, weed, or chase away rabbits, so if you want to volunteer to help a wonderful cause, contact Brina Abrahams. She'll know just what needs to be done.

Reminder: Reverse Tashlich is the afternoon of Sunday, September 10. This will be the 6th International Reverse Tashlich and BSBI's second. BSBI was one of five honored programs last year, so the bar for this year will be high. So save the date: September 10.

Deb Carlson & Susan Mendelsohn



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# Rabbi Leon Wind Religious School Update

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## SAVE THE DATES!

The Rabbi Leon Wind Religious School students and staff have just completed another successful year. Planning is now underway for next year's calendar. Please join us for these upcoming events:

**Ice Cream Social** — August 24th, at 6:30 p.m.

For new students, returning students, and their families. More information will be coming over the summer.

**A Taste of Honey** — September 10, 2023, at 12:00 p.m.

The congregation is invited to join school families to celebrate the first day of religious school and the start of the High Holiday season, with a barbecue and entertainment.

**Junior Congregation** will begin September 23, 2023.

**Family Rosh Hashanah Service** — September 17, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.

**Family Yom Kippur Service** — September 25, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.

We look forward to seeing both new and familiar faces at these programs!

## A Teaching Moment From Rabbi Alan: Living with Direction

The Torah tells us the tragic story of a man who got into a fight because he didn't know where he was going. The story begins: "Now the son of an Israelite mother and an Egyptian father went out among the Israelites, and a fight broke out in the camp between him and an Israelite."

Our Jewish sages asked: Where did this fellow go? The verse says "And he went out," but it doesn't tell us anything about where he was headed—only that he was "among the Israelites," and he got into a fight.

The sages suggest that perhaps this man had no idea where he was going. They see him as a lost soul; perhaps he himself didn't know who he was or what he truly believed. He had no direction in life.

This often occurs in life today. When people have no direction, they sometimes go astray. If this poor soul had had a destination in mind when he "went out," perhaps he would have avoided the fight. But once he got off track, he started down a dangerous road and was ultimately lost forever.

Lewis Carroll's *Alice in Wonderland* includes a profound message. Alice doesn't know which path to choose, so she asks the Cheshire cat: "Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here?" "That depends a good deal on where you want to get to," the cat responds. "I don't much care where," Alice answers. "Then it doesn't much matter," says the cat.

These stories remind us that every decision we make and every step we take ought to be guided by our desired destination. Wherever we go, let's make sure that we are headed toward God.

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As we enter the summer vacation phase of our religious school, let's make the time to read to the children in our lives—to share stories from the Bible or other books that exhibit values such as kindness and faith. Have them read, too; our library is filled with engaging books for children. Remind them to read the Hebrew that they have worked so hard to master during the year. (A few minutes a day reading Hebrew avoids summertime rust.) They all have their Siddurim, so the text is close to hand.

Remember: your children today are your leaders tomorrow!

Many thanks to our teachers: Michele, Marisa, and Sarah Karasik, and Lily O'Neil; to our parents for their support; to Bea Brodie and Rebecca Rumbo, our school vice presidents; to Ilene O'Neil for her programming and logistical support; to Rabbi Konigsberg for his friendship and educational support; to our top-notch office staff Judy and Allison Sawtelle (congrats on your college graduation!); and to Dave Pastula for keeping our classrooms in good shape.

I look forward to seeing you at the Ice Cream Social in August!

Rabbi Alan





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

## Celebration Dates

### Happy Birthday to:

Cathy Ludlum 6/1	Charles Borgida 6/18	Diane Wurmbrand 7/7
Rebecca Norman 6/1	Ross Novgrad 6/20	Ari Hartstein 7/8
Alan Zitomer 6/3	Leslie Brown 6/21	Gregory Booty 7/11
Jack Cohen 6/3	Laurie Bayer 6/22	Graham Serow 7/11
Alan Igdalsky 6/3	Neil Kovensky 6/23	Teresa Lloyd 7/12
Peter Buch 6/4	Matthew Friedman 6/24	Einav Ornan 7/13
Stuart Rabinowitz 6/5	Sidney Schwartz 6/25	Saul Nesselroth 7/17
Randall Nelson 6/6	Theodore Zupnik 6/27	Benjamin Carlson 7/18
Sharon Chesler 6/6	Philip Margolis 6/28	Shirley Segal 7/18
Arnold Zackin 6/6	Elaine Nelson 6/29	Eric O'Brien 7/19
Barry Resnick 6/11	Ellen Marmer 6/29	Judy Bogatz 7/19
Elaine Kahaner 6/11	Ellen Frankel 6/30	Beatrice Brodie 7/19
Stanley Falkenstein 6/12	Sydney Bula 7/1	Joel Ellis 7/20
Michael Winkler 6/13	Barbara Leshin 7/2	Michael Turk 7/20
Rebecca Hauer 6/14	Steven Eckhouse 7/3	Marcia McGee 7/21
Brina Abrahams 6/15	Stephanie Orringer 7/3	Pearl Podrove 7/21
David Hatch 6/16	Donna Rubin 7/5	Rachel Donnell 7/26
Carol Lewis 6/16	Jeffrey Garfield 7/5	Roberta Weiner 7/29
Irene Milzoff 6/17	Arlene Bonilla 7/7	Philip Partney 7/31
Lucas Carlson 6/17	Elise Carlton 7/7	Laurie Bain 7/31
Edward Kloehn 6/18	Steven Cohen 7/7	Mary Leon 7/31

### Happy Anniversary to:

Drs. David & Ellen Neuhaus 6/1	Liza Mandel & Jeffrey Lassow 6/20
Aaron & Laurie Bayer 6/3	Michael & Madeline Turk 6/20
Marshall & Linda Grodofsky 6/5	Steven & Merle Cohen 6/21
Arnold & Diane Keyser 6/6	Richard & Leslie Abrahams 6/23
Arnold & Ruth Zackin 6/9	Carl & Cruz Mandell 6/25
Manuel & Maxine Lerman 6/10	David & Carol Alter 6/25
Drs. Laurie Bain & Robert Parnes 6/10	Kevin & Marcia Cyr 6/27
Thomas & Ona Mastronarde 6/11	Rabbi Richard & Lisa Plavin 6/27
Sidney & Carol Goldstein 6/11	Monroe & Anita Rackow 6/27
Abe & Iris Linner 6/12	Steven & Elly Cohen 6/27
Drs. Nelson & Stephanie Orringer 6/12	Dr. & Mrs. Barry Haight 6/28
Matthew & Randi Friedman 6/12	Dr. Gayle Block & Edward Reilly 6/28
Rabbi Randall & Michelle Konigsburg 6/12	Einav Ornan & Jake Friedman 6/28
Michael & Susan Gross 6/13	Charles & Joyce Borgida 6/29
David & Donna Plen 6/13	Stanley & Lois Falkenstein 6/30
Ronald & Brina Abrahams 6/16	Jim & Beverly Ladue 7/1
Ira & Anne Fink 6/17	Samuel & Marilyn Krutt 7/1
Craig & Barbara Banks 6/17	Diane & Mitchell Wurmbrand 7/4
Samuel & Teri Norman 6/18	Peter & Reese (Marisa) Goldsmith 7/19
Howard & Linda Grad 6/18	Harold & Judy Meyer 7/21
Alan & JoAnn Itzkowitz 6/19	David & Carol Hatch 7/28
Maury & Susan Luxemburg 6/19	Alfred & Eileen Stern 7/31

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.

## What's Ahead for Sisterhood

Monday, June 12  
7:45pm: Zoom Sisterhood/Hadassah Book Group

Sunday, June 25th  
12:00pm: Women's League NAR Game Day in Springfield

Tuesday, June 27  
7:45pm: Sisterhood Installation in person at BSBI

Friday, July 21st  
6:00 pm: Friday Night Services in the Garden followed by dinner

Sunday, July 30

## We are invited

The North Atlantic Region (NAR) of Women's League is having a game day on June 25th. It takes place at 12:00pm at Temple Beth El, 979 Dickerson St., Springfield, MA.

See the enclosed flyer and send in your RSVP. If we have enough people, we can form car pools. \$18.00 for the event includes lunch, drinks, and snacks.

## Sisterhood Summer Kabbalat Shabbat Service in the Garden

July 21st at 6:00pm

We will be holding our Annual Summer Kabbalat Shabbat Service in the Garden on July 21st at 6:00 pm.

The service will be followed by a Shabbat dinner. There is a small \$12.00 charge for the dinner; vegetarian and gluten-free options will be available. Brina Abrahams is taking reservations. Mail your checks, made out to BSBI Sisterhood, to Brina at 10 Vinetta Drive, Vernon, CT 06066. Don't forget to let her know if you will need diet accommodations.

## Knit & Kvetch

Our last meeting for the year was in May, but remember, over the summer, keep on knitting!! See you in September.

We are always in need of hats, mittens, scarves, and afghans. We can always use 100% acrylic yarns or monetary donations. If you wish to make a donation to the group, make 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 [Iranefink@gmail.com](mailto:Iranefink@gmail.com) or call me at 860-649-6551.  
Anne Fink

## Sisterhood Installation — You are Invited!

The Sisterhood Installation will take place at 7:45pm on June 27th. It will be held at BSBI.

We will be having a special visitor for the Installation: Asif Peretz, the new Shlichah to our area. Asif has left her home in the town of Negev, Israel, to spend this special year, Israel's 75th, with us. She will not be giving a talk, but will be happy to answer any and all questions that we may have.

For many years, the Greater Hartford Area was involved in Israel's Shlichah Program. Outstanding young Israelis would come to communities, all over the world, to represent Israel and work with local groups from Pre-School to Seniors. Like many other programs, Covid interrupted the Shlichah Program but it has now returned.

So come, support our new Board Members, meet our area's new Shlichah, Asif Peretz, and let's chat over tea and cake.

Proposed slate of Officers: July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2025

President:..... Susan Margolis  
Liaison to North Atlantic Region, WLCJ: ..... Judy Meyer  
Treasurer: ..... Harriet Beede  
Financial Secretary: ..... Diane Keyser  
Recording Secretary: ..... Amy Schiller  
VP Fellowship: ..... Stacey Poutre  
Co-VPs Programming: ..... Carol Hatch, Renny Resnick  
Co-VPs Membership: ..... Margie Partney, Rima Riedel

## Elected Directors, 2023-2025

Elly Cohen  
Paula Finkelstein  
Mimi Kalman  
Maxine Lerman  
Susan Mendelsohn

## Elected Directors, 2022-2024

Lynn Cohen  
Brenda Lerner  
Ilene O'Neil  
Susan Scherick  
Barbara Zupnik

## Nominating Committee

Judy Meyer, Chair (Immediate Past President)  
Lynn Cohen — current board  
Diane Keyser — current board  
Susan Scherick — current board  
Carol Hatch — general membership  
Debra Carlson — general membership

## Ex Officio Directors

Michelle Konigsburg (Clergy Spouse)  
Lisa Plavin (Clergy-emeritus Spouse)  
Judy Meyer (NAR Board)  
Brina Abrahams (Immediate Past President)  
Maddy Turk (Immediate Past President)

Judy Meyer, Immediate Past President  
Chair of Nominating Committee

## Our Pesach Project

Thank you to our generous BSBI members; we were able to collect a total of \$10,582.00. After deducting expenses, we were able to give our Sisterhood \$4852.90 and to give both Leket (Israel's food bank) and Mazon ("the Jewish answer to hunger") \$2440.00 each.

## Thank you Sisterhood Beth Sholom B'nai Israel

Thank you so much for the recent generous donation to American Friends of Leket Israel from the Sisterhood at Beth Sholom B'nai Israel. We are truly so appreciative of the Sisterhood's longtime support towards providing fresh food for hungry Israelis.

Wishing you and everyone at BSBI a Chag Shavuot Sameach, and a wonderful Summer!

Best regards,  
Elèna Rosenbaum  
Development Coordinator & Community Outreach  
American Friends of Leket Israel

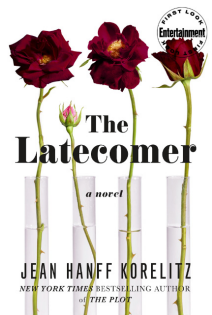
## Torah Fund Dessert: Thank You!

Thank you to our very generous members who donated to Torah Fund for this event. We were able to send the sum of \$1,187.00 to the Jewish Theological Seminary (JTS) for their Torah Fund Scholarship Fund.

And many thanks to our guest speaker Rabbi Jonathan ("Yoni") Berger, the Head of Solomon Schechter Day School of Greater Hartford, who talked about how much he had gained, besides his education, from being a student at JTS.

Mimi Kalman, BSBI Torah Fund Chair

## Sisterhood/Hadassah Book Club



Our next meeting will be on Monday, June 12, at 7:45 pm on Zoom. If you want to catch up with other members you can log on at 7:30 pm. For our meeting we will be reading *The Latecomer* by Jean Korelitz.

The Mary Cheney Research Librarian is still holding copies of the book for the BSBI Book Group. The zoom link will be posted closer to the meeting date.

Maxine Lerman and Becky Murray

## Adventure Walk

Our June Adventure Walk is canceled, but we will be walking again on Sunday, July 30. We will once again meet in BSBI's parking lot at 10:00 am, decide where we'll walk, and off we will go!

We would like to continue walking through the summer and hope more folks will join us on future walks.

Looking forward to having you with us,  
Margie Partney

## Sisterhood Gift Shop Your Source for all Your Smachot

Summer is almost here! Perhaps you want to add something new to brighten your home; or perhaps some Judaica as a gift for a graduate or newlyweds. How about a new Mezuzah for your door?

Stop by the Gift Shop and you may find some additional items to enjoy! If you don't see what you need, we'll be happy to order it for you. Please don't hesitate to contact either Harriet Beede or Brenda Lerner to arrange to meet you there.

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

## Share an Oneg

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

## Torah Fund Cards

Condolences to the Schlank family in memory of Iris Schlank, mazel tov to Stacey Poutre in honor of the birth of her grandson, Greyson, and mazel tov to Rachel and Mike Blackmer in honor of the birth of their son, Greyson, from Judy and Harold Meyer.

Condolences to Jeff Wasser and family in memory of Jeff's father, Edward Wasser; Mazel tov to Stacey Poutre in honor of the birth of her grandson, Greyson, from Lynn and Jack Cohen.

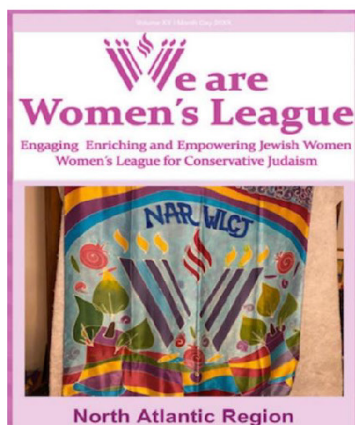
Mazel tov to Stacey Poutre in honor of the birth of her grandson, Greyson, and mazel tov to Rachel and Mike Blackmer in honor of the birth of their son, Greyson; Condolences to Jack and Lynn Cohen in memory of his sister, Marcia Kavitsky, from Mimi Kalman.

Condolences to Michael Kavitsky and family in memory of Michael's mother, Marcia Kavitsky and condolences to Jack Cohen and family in memory of Jack's sister, Marcia Kavitsky, from Sandra Levy.

Condolences to Jack Cohen in memory of Jack's sister, Marcia Kavitsky; Condolences to Jeff Wasser and family in memory of Jeff's father, Edward Wasser, from Cal and Elaine Vinick.

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





# NAR GAME DAY

(North Atlantic Region)

## Come and Play With Us

## Friends are Welcomed

**Date: June 25<sup>th</sup> – Sunday**

**Time: 12:00 – 3:30 PM**



**Location: Temple Beth El - 979 Dickerson St. Springfield, Massachusetts 01106**

**COST: \$18 pp - Includes lunch, drinks and snacks**

**Please feel free to bring a game**

Games at the event include cards, Mah Jongg, Mexican Train Dominoes, Rummikub and Triominoes.

**Please bring a non - perishable food item to the event for the kosher food pantry.**

**Carpool from Emanuel Synagogue West Hartford and Temple Israel of Natick parking lots for those coming from MA**

**Contact Audrey Yanofsky @ 860-690-6139 with questions and carpooling arrangements**

**RSVP by June 15<sup>th</sup>.** Your check is your reservation. Please make checks payable to:  
**NAR-WLCJ and mail to: Robin Metzger: 3 Walnut Hill Rd. Millis, MA 02052**

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **eMail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Choice of Lunch – Please select one:** Tuna Wrap \_\_\_\_\_ Egg Salad Wrap \_\_\_\_\_

Veggie Wrap \_\_\_\_\_ I can be a driver to the event \_\_\_\_\_

(All wraps includes water, chips, and a cookie)

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## Brotherhood Corner

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### A Word From Our Brotherhood President

Happy June! Before we talk about May, I want to thank Rachel Donnell for speaking to the congregation and members of the public on Holocaust Remembrance Day (Yom Hashoah). Rachel shared her mother's and aunt's harrowing story about perseverance of spirit during World War II. I was amazed to hear how positive all of Rachel's family was when looking at life after their experience in the camps. Our BSBI Brotherhood made two donations in honor of Rachel. We gave \$300 to the National Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C. and \$300 to Voices of Hope for helping to provide our shul with Rachel as a speaker.

Our May speaker was sick and unable to attend our meeting. He will be rescheduled to speak next calendar year. Our meeting was led by Spin Zucker, Executive VP, as I was out sick this month. Spin, thanks for doing such a great job! Later in the month, our chapter continued its annual support of the Hebrew School end-of-year BBQ, buying supplies and cooking for the children and families on May 21.

Our chapter's final meeting of the year will be held on June 4th, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. We will be starting with Shacharit followed by breakfast and our business meeting at 10:00 a.m. The speaker this month will be Bruce Marcus. See his bio below:

Bruce Marcus is a storyteller from the Boston area who has been regaling audiences throughout New England and beyond for three full decades with his fresh-as-mint original true-life and made-up stories, poems, and songs. Equally comfortable in rhyme and out, he is an occasional story slam winner and seasoned, creative, and playful emcee. Bruce has been featured in many spoken-word, coffeehouse, cable TV and other performing arts series, as well as at a number of festivals and on PBS World Channel's *Stories from the Stage*. Called "MY SON!" by late storytelling legend Brother Blue – loudly, publicly, emphatically and often – he serves as a committee member, feature coordinator and frequent host for the long-running weekly Boston area storytelling series started in 1992 by Brother Blue and Ruth Edmonds Hill, now known as The Story Space.

I look forward to seeing you on June 4th!  
In Brotherhood,  
Glenn Hauer

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**If you are interested in learning more about our BSBI Brotherhood, reach out to Glenn Hauer at 860.930.1275 or Spin Zucker at 860.502.7725.**

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### **BSBI's Faith & Family Day: It's never too early to get your tickets!**

Don't miss out on our annual Faith & Family Day at Dunkin' Park on August 20th

GAME TIME: 1:10pm GATES OPEN: 11:30am

BSBI Brotherhood has reserved tickets at a group rate of \$15 each. Each ticket includes a complimentary \$2 value for food, drink, or merchandise.

**Please reserve your tickets early.** Your order with payment must be received no later than July 15th to allow adequate time for us to complete the order and arrange for delivery to you by email.

Make checks for tickets payable ONLY to "BSBI Brotherhood," and mail with your completed order form to:

**BSBI -Yard Goats, c/o Steven D. Cohen, 29 Leela Way, Tolland, CT 06084**

Your tickets will be reserved once your payment is received.

Please email questions to Steve at [cttoxdoc@gmail.com](mailto:cttoxdoc@gmail.com)

.....✂.....cut here to mail form with payment.....



### **BSBI BROTHERHOOD PRESENTS JEWISH HERITAGE DAY AT DUNKIN' PARK**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup> 2023**

**GAME TIME: 1:10pm GATES OPEN: 11:30am**

Children 3 and under are free if sitting on a parent's lap during the game.

Please note any handicapped tickets needed.



**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NUMBER OF TICKETS:** \_\_\_\_\_ \$15 each

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Space is limited: ORDER AND PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY JULY 15TH**

**Your tickets will arrive by e-mail.**

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## Leave a Jewish Legacy

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### 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](mailto: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:  
[BSBIEndowment@myshul.org](mailto:BSBIEndowment@myshul.org)



# Endowment Foundation

Scholarships	Rabbi Leon Wind Religious School	Adult Education	Community	General Endowment Fund	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Time is Now, The Need is Great!</b></p> <p>Endowments are an opportunity for each of us to provide for our synagogue on a continuous basis by creating a permanent tribute to our values and principles. Our synagogue is here for you as you experience life's greatest joys and greatest challenges.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Endowment Foundation</i></p> <p><small>*These funds can also be used in Rabbi Leon Wind Religious School</small></p>
Gloria Byk Fund	Bayer/Davison Fund	Sylvia A. Cheikin Fund	Berkman Family Fund	Israel and Lillian Abramovitz Fund	
Ann and Emanuel Hirth Fund	David Sherman Foster Fund	Clare-Kramer Fund	Klemens-Wiener Fund	Sheldon and Doris Adler Fund	
Maxine & Efrem Jaffe Fund	Hochberg Family Fund	Ruth and Sidney Cohen Fund	Gordon Barshay Lassow and Jay Joshua Lassow Fund	Louis and Sadye Apter Family Fund	
Seymour B. Kaplan Fund	Jacobs Family Fund	Jack Goldberg Fund*	Esther Margulies Lessner and George C. Lessner Fund	Clare and Herbert Bernstein Fund	
Sonia and Max Karp and Anita Karp Treston Fund	Rose Jaffe Fund	F. Ruth and S. I. Kummer Fund	Jerome and Louise Nathan Fund	Raymond Bernstein Fund	
Joseph Kopman Fund	Katz-Robbins Fund	Fay and Benjamin Levy and Max Mandel Fund*	Ella and Herman Playin Fund	Nathan Chesler Fund	
Anne and Leon Kramer Fund	Ruth Podrove Melton Fund	Aida S. Nesselroth Educational Enhancement Fund*	Plepler Family Fund	A. Elmer Diskan Fund	
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	
Laurie Margolis Fund	Gertrude and Abraham Podrove Fund	George and Lillian Sandals Fund	Rita and David Schmerler Fund	Morris and Ann Firestone Fund	
Cantor Israel and Irene Tabatsky Fund	Podrove - Resnick Fund	Ruth and Jack Sandals Fund	Leonard Seader Fund	Rhoda Goldstein Fund	
Marsha and Samuel Yules Fund	Martin L. Rubin Fund	Rabbi Jeshaja and Hilde Schnitzer Fund	Shapiro Family Fund	Edith Gottlieb Fund	
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	
Diane and Jeffrey Wasser Ramah Scholarship Fund	Berdine Spector Stoltz Fund	Weil-Braunsberg Fund*	Blanche and Robert Stone Fund	Kahaner Family Fund	
		Elliott and Eveleen Zimmerman Library Fund	Continuity Fund	Ethel and Nathan Kasowitz Fund	
			Program Enhancement	Marcus Family and Bula Family Fund	
			Beth Sholom B'nai Israel Operating Fund	Irving and Ethel Mehlman Rose Fund	
Religious	Youth	Maintenance/Capital Improvements	Memorial Park		
Max and Sally Glaiber and Joseph and Gertrude Snider Fund	Anna Brita Chilberg Fund	Bayer-Marlow Fund	Temple Beth Sholom Memorial Park Fund	Irma and Merwin Meridy Fund	
Howard Gold Fund	Nellie Katz Cohen Fund	Elaine and Leo Charendoff Fund	Congregation B'nai Israel Memorial Park Fund	Rita Oshinsky Fund	
Bernard and May Kahn and Eli and Rose Lerman Fund	Murray H. and Celia D. Novins Fund	David S. and Norma C. Garber Fund		Phair Family Fund	
Rubinow-Schwolsky Fund		Miriam Barshay Lassow and Herman Lassow Fund		Reichlin Family Fund	
Rebecca Ann and Herman Seidman Fund		Capital Improvement Fund		Pauline and Nathan Rubin Fund	
Irene and Henry Springer Fund				Israel and Shirley Snyder Family Fund	
Diane and Barry Weinbaum Fund				Gloria and Robert Weiss Fund	
Rabbi Leon Wind Fund				Edythe and Abraham Zubrow Fund	
Irene and Abraham Zimmerman Fund				Max Zucker Fund	

For information about establishing an Endowment Fund or leaving a bequest,  
contact Dr. Jeffrey Wasser [BSBIEndowment@myshul.org](mailto:BSBIEndowment@myshul.org) or Rabbi Konigsburg 860-643-9563 x101.

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## Contributions from Thoughtful People

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### **ANNE & LEON KRAMER FUND**

In memory of Meyer Clare, beloved grandfather, from Carol & Paul Leiman & Family

### **BAYER/DAVISON FUND**

Yahrzeit of, in loving memory, Ruth Bayer from Barbara & Bill Bayer

### **DIANE AND JEFFREY WASSER RAMAH SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

In memory of Edward Wasser from Carl and Cruz Mandell  
In memory of Edward Wasser from Emily and Pete Buch  
In memory of Edward Wasser from Myrna Spector

### **F. RUTH & S. I. KUMMER FUND**

Happy Birthday to Bart Kummer from Steven Heller

### **GENERAL FUND**

In memory of my father, Sherman A Zitomer; Yahrzeit of Lottie Blonstein from Alan & Andrea Zitomer  
In memory of Marcia Kavitsky from Anne and Ira Fink  
In memory of Marcia Kavitsky from Barbara and Steve Leshin  
In memory of Mabel Zaref, my mother, from Blanche Ross  
In memory of Iris Schlank, from Cynthia & Philip Rischall  
In memory of Iris Schlank, my dear neighbor and friend, from Elizabeth Karhu  
In memory of Evelyn Alice (Green) Laufer from Hans Laufer  
In memory of Marcia Kavitsky from Manuel & Maxine Lerman  
In memory of Jack Cohen's sister from Merle Lassow  
In memory of Marcia Kavitsky from Michael & Susan Gross  
In memory of Iris Schlank from Paula Bradbard, Arbors Residents Association  
Yahrzeit of Saul Silverstein from Barbara Silverstein  
Yahrzeit of William Goober from Diane and Mitchell Wurmbrand  
Yahrzeit of Mary Hurwitz from Marc and Robyn Engelson  
Yahrzeit of Herb Byk from Mrs. Beverly Russo Byk  
Yahrzeit of Ben Marmer from Mrs. Ellen Marmer  
Yahrzeit of Leonard & Dale Konigsburg from Rabbi Randall & Michelle Konigsburg

### **GLORIA AND HERB BYK FUND**

Yahrzeit of Herb Byk from Mrs. Beverly Russo Byk

### **GORDON BARSHAY LASSOW & JAY JOSHUA LASSOW FUND**

In memory of Iris Schlank; Yahrzeit of Gordon Lassow, thinking of you from Marilyn Lassow

### **JOE DAVIS FUND**

In memory of my dear father, Benjamin Garber; In memory of Iris Schlank from Mrs. Audrey Davis  
Yahrzeit of Burton Zucker and Sam Breslau from William & Susan Breslau

### **LIBRARY FUND**

Get well to Paula Finkelstein, wishing you a speedy recovery; In memory of my loved ones from Eveleen Zimmerman

### **MARTIN L. RUBIN MEMORIAL FUND**

Yahrzeit of Martin Rubin from Burton & Sharon Rubin

### **MAX ZUCKER FUND**

Yahrzeit of Blanche Mark from Charles & Joyce Borgida

### **NICHUM AVAYLIM FUND**

Thank you to Rabbi Konigsburg for his ongoing support during this sad time and to Stacey Poutre, the members who have volunteered to pick up the Shabbat dinner, and to Judy and Harold Meyer for delivering it to our home. It is comforting to know "our family" at BSBI reaches out during this time of mourning for the loss of Jack's sister, Marcia Kavitsky, from Lynn and Jack Cohen  
In memory of Marcia Kavitsky from Eveleen Zimmerman  
Yahrzeit of Donald & Eunice Mark, beloved parents of Debbie Cinquemani, from Craig & Debra Cinquemani

### **RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

To Arlene Bonilla, Thinking about you. Stay strong, you are loved, from Renee Shifrin  
Get-well wishes for the speedy recovery of Paula Finkelstein; In honor of Leslie Abrahams' retirement; In honor of Stacey Poutre's new grandson, Grayson, from Ronald & Brina Abrahams  
In memory of Jack Cohen's sister, Marcia Kavitsky, from Susan Stoppelman

### **REBECCA ANN & HERMAN SEIDMAN FUND**

In memory of my beloved father and his parents; In memory of my grandmother & uncle on their Yahrzeit from Eveleen Zimmerman

### **SHABBAT LUNCHEON FUND**

In honor of the birth of Stacey Poutre's second grandchild from Elly and Steve Cohen  
In honor of Leslie Abrahams, Mazel Tov on your retirement from Harold & Judy Meyer  
In honor of Leslie Abrahams' retirement from Manuel & Maxine Lerman  
In honor of Leslie Abrahams on her birthday, from Sue and Phil Margolis

### **SOCIAL ACTION FUND**

Yahrzeit of Bernard Menschell from Irma Menschell

## June 2023 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> (12 Sivan) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>2</b> (13 Sivan) 6:00pm Friday Night Services 8:01pm Candle Lighting Sunset: 8:19pm	<b>3</b> (14 Sivan) 10:00am Shabbat Services 9:05pm Havdalah Sunset: 8:20pm
<b>4</b> (15 Sivan) 9:01am Morning Minyan 9:30am Brotherhood Breakfast & Speaker	<b>5</b> (16 Sivan) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>6</b> (17 Sivan) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>7</b> (18 Sivan) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>8</b> (19 Sivan) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>9</b> (20 Sivan) 6:00pm Friday Night Services 8:06pm Candle Lighting  Sunset: 8:24pm	<b>10</b> (21 Sivan) 10:00am Shabbat Services 12:30pm New Member Shabbat Luncheon 9:09pm Havdalah Sunset: 8:24pm
<b>11</b> (22 Sivan) 12:30pm BSBI at the Theatre	<b>12</b> (23 Sivan) 6:00pm Security Training - Be Aware 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv 7:30pm Sisterhood/ Hadassah Book Club	<b>13</b> (24 Sivan) 1:30pm Knit & Kvetch 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>14</b> (25 Sivan) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>15</b> (26 Sivan) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>16</b> (27 Sivan) 6:00pm Friday Night Services 8:09pm Candle Lighting  Sunset: 8:27pm	<b>17</b> (28 Sivan) <b>Shabbat Mevarchim</b> 10:00am Shabbat Services 12:30pm Shabbat Lunch - Abrahams 9:12pm Havdalah Sunset: 8:27pm
<b>18</b> (29 Sivan) Father's Day	<b>19</b> (30 Sivan) <b>Rosh Chodesh Tammuz</b> 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>20</b> (1 Tammuz) <b>Rosh Chodesh Tammuz</b> 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>21</b> (2 Tammuz) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv 7:30pm BOD Board Meeting	<b>22</b> (3 Tammuz) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>23</b> (4 Tammuz) 6:00pm Friday Night Services 8:11pm Candle Lighting Sunset: 8:29pm	<b>24</b> (5 Tammuz) 10:00am Shabbat Services 9:14pm Havdalah Sunset: 8:29pm
<b>25</b> (6 Tammuz) 12:00pm NAR Game Day	<b>26</b> (7 Tammuz) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>27</b> (8 Tammuz) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv 7:30pm Sisterhood Installation of Officers	<b>28</b> (9 Tammuz) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>29</b> (10 Tammuz) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>30</b> (11 Tammuz) 6:00pm Friday Night Services 8:11pm Candle Lighting Sunset: 8:29pm	

Please note that the *Chai Lights* calendar dates are as of the date of publishing. Any schedule changes after this time will be posted on the online calendar at [myshul.org](http://myshul.org) and included in the weekly announcements.



## July 2023 Calendar

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<b>2</b> (13 Tammuz) 9:01am Morning Minyan	<b>3</b> (14 Tammuz) Office Closed 7:00pm Mincha/ Maariv	<b>4</b> (15 Tammuz) Office Closed Independence Day 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>5</b> (16 Tammuz) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>6</b> (17 Tammuz) <b>Fast of Tammuz</b> 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>7</b> (18 Tammuz) 6:00pm Friday Night Services 8:09pm Candle Lighting  Sunset: 8:27pm	<b>8</b> (19 Tammuz) 10:00am Shabbat Services 9:12pm Havdalah Sunset: 8:27pm
<b>9</b> (20 Tammuz)	<b>10</b> (21 Tammuz) 7:00pm Mincha/ Maariv	<b>11</b> (22 Tammuz) 1:30pm Knit & Kvetch 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>12</b> (23 Tammuz) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>13</b> (24 Tammuz) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>14</b> (25 Tammuz) 6:00pm Friday Night Services 8:06pm Candle Lighting  Sunset: 8:24pm	<b>15</b> (26 Tammuz) <b>Shabbat Mevarchim</b> 10:00am Shabbat Services 9:08pm Havdalah Sunset: 8:23pm
<b>16</b> (27 Tammuz)	<b>17</b> (28 Tammuz) 6:00pm Security Training - Countering Active Threat 7:00pm Mincha/ Maariv	<b>18</b> (29 Tammuz) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>19</b> (1 Av) <b>Rosh Chodesh Av</b> 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>20</b> (2 Av) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>21</b> (3 Av) 6:00pm Friday Night Services 6:00pm Sisterhood Shabbat in the Garden 8:01pm Candle Lighting Sunset: 8:19pm	<b>22</b> (4 Av) <b>Shabbat Hazon</b> 10:00am Shabbat Services 9:03pm Havdalah Sunset: 8:18pm
<b>23</b> (5 Av)	<b>24</b> (6 Av) 7:00pm Mincha/ Maariv	<b>25</b> (7 Av) 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv 7:30pm Sisterhood Board Meeting	<b>26</b> (8 Av) <b>Erev Tisha B'Av</b> 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>27</b> (9 Av) <b>Tisha B'Av</b> 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv	<b>28</b> (10 Av) 6:00pm Friday Night Services 7:55pm Candle Lighting  Sunset: 8:13pm	<b>29</b> (11 Av) <b>Shabbat Nachamu</b> 10:00am Shabbat Services 8:57pm Havdalah Sunset: 8:12pm
<b>30</b> (12 Av)	<b>31</b> (13 Av) 7:00pm Mincha/ Maariv					

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# Evening Minyan Schedule

Please Note: Services will begin at 7:00 PM except where noted.  
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<b><u>First Monday</u></b> Maxine Jaffe* Michelle Konigsburg* Brenda Lerner* Susan Mendelsohn* Sarah Poutre* Stacey Poutre* Susan Scherick Ron Scherick Susan Stoppelman	<b><u>First Tuesday</u></b> Rick Berkman* Arnold Keyser* Manny Lerman Sarah Poutre* Stacey Poutre* Jane Zimmerman*	<b><u>First Wednesday</u></b> Brina Abrahams* Ron Abrahams* Linda Grad Carol Hatch Marilyn Lassow* Susan Mendelsohn* Irene Milzoff Joel Milzoff Becky Murray	<b><u>First Thursday</u></b> Michelle Konigsburg* Brenda Lerner* Judy Meyer Harold Meyer Stacey Poutre* Calvin Vinick
<b><u>Second Monday</u></b> Bruce Beck Hope Igdalsky Alan Igdalsky Maxine Jaffe* Michelle Konigsburg* Brenda Lerner* Rabbi Richard Plavin* Lisa Plavin* Stacey Poutre* Sarah Poutre*	<b><u>Second Tuesday</u></b> Aaron Bayer Laurie Bayer Rick Berkman* Ellie Flink* Herb Flink* Arnold Keyser* Diane Keyser* Sarah Poutre* Stacey Poutre* Steve Wollins*	<b><u>Second Wednesday</u></b> Brina Abrahams* Ron Abrahams* Leslie Abrahams Richard Abrahams Bea Brodie Gordon Brodie Debra Carlson Marilyn Lassow* Susan Mendelsohn* Sarah Poutre*	<b><u>Second Thursday</u></b> Paula Finkelstein Michelle Konigsburg* Brenda Lerner* Steve Leshin Barbara Leshin Stacey Poutre* Barry Resnick Renny Resnick Ted Zupnik* Barbara Zupnik*
<b><u>Third Monday</u></b> Michelle Konigsburg* Brenda Lerner* Abe Linner Iris Linner Susan Mendelsohn* Stacey Poutre* Sarah Poutre*	<b><u>Third Tuesday</u></b> Rick Berkman* Arnold Keyser* Diane Keyser* Sarah Poutre* Stacey Poutre*	<b><u>Third Wednesday</u></b> Ron Abrahams* Brina Abrahams* Steve Cohen* Elly Cohen* Maury Luxemburg Marilyn Lassow* Jeff Lassow Liza Mandel Susan Mendelsohn* Stacey Poutre* Jack Steigelfest Dawn Steigelfest	<b><u>Third Thursday</u></b> Mimi Kalman* Michelle Konigsburg* Neil Kovensky* Brenda Lerner* Stacey Poutre* Eveleen Zimmerman* Jane Zimmerman*
<b><u>Fourth Monday</u></b> Michelle Konigsburg* Brenda Lerner* Phil Margolis Sue Margolis Susan Mendelsohn* Rabbi Richard Plavin* Lisa Plavin* Stacey Poutre* Sarah Poutre*	<b><u>Fourth Tuesday</u></b> Rick Berkman* Sarah Poutre* Stacey Poutre* Steve Wollins*	<b><u>Fourth Wednesday</u></b> Ron Abrahams* Brina Abrahams* Marilyn Lassow* Stacey Poutre* Sarah Poutre* Mike Turk Maddy Turk	<b><u>Fourth Thursday</u></b> Mimi Kalman* Michelle Konigsburg* Brenda Lerner* Stacey Poutre* Eveleen Zimmerman*
<b><u>Fifth Monday</u></b> Michelle Konigsburg* Neil Kovensky* Brenda Lerner* Susan Mendelsohn* Stacey Poutre* Sarah Poutre*	<b><u>Fifth Tuesday</u></b> Rick Berkman* Sarah Poutre* Stacey Poutre* Ellie Flink* Herb Flink*	<b><u>Fifth Wednesday</u></b> Ron Abrahams* Brina Abrahams* Steve Cohen* Elly Cohen* Marilyn Lassow* Stacey Poutre*	<b><u>Fifth Thursday</u></b> Michelle Konigsburg* Brenda Lerner* Stacey Poutre* Steve Wollins* Ted Zupnik* Barbara Zupnik*



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