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BSBI'S STAFF, CLERGY, AND BOARD WISH YOU A Happy Passover!

Monday, April 22nd Office Closed at 2:00pm 7:30am: First Born Service 10:00am: Hametz Sale 7:21pm: Candle lighting No evening service

Tuesday, April 23rd

Office Closed 10:00am: Pesach 1 Service 5:45pm: Community Seder (2nd Seder) 8:25pm Candle lighting

> Wednesday, April 24th Office Closed 10:00am: Pesach 2 Service 8:27pm: Havdalah No evening service

Sunday, April 28th 6:00pm: Pesach Evening Service 7:28pm: Candle lighting

Monday, April 29th

Office Closed 10:00am: Pesach 7 Service 6:00pm: Pesach Evening Service 8:32pm: Candle lighting

Tuesday, April 30th

Office Closed 10:00am: Pesach 8 Service & Yizkor 8:23pm: Havdalah No Evening Service

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> Services 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

Monday, April 1, 2024 • 22 Adar II 7:30PM Sandals Lecture

Friday, April 5, 2024 • **26 Adar II** 5:30PM Family Shabbat Dinner & Service

Sunday, April 7, 2024 • 28 Adar II 9:00AM Brotherhood Breakfast & Speaker

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 • 1 Nisan Rosh Chodesh Nisan 1:30PM Knit & Kvetch

Shabbat, April 13, 2024 • 5 Nisan 12:30PM Shabbat Lunch

Monday, April 15, 2024 • 7 Nisan 5:00PM Bulletin Submission Deadline

Wednesday, April 17, 2024 • 9 Nisan 7:30PM Board Meeting

Shabbat, April 20, 2024 • 12 Nisan Shabbat HaGadol 10:00AM Junior Congregation

Sunday, April 21, 2024 • 13 Nisan 5:00PM JT Connect

Monday, April 22, 2024 • 14 Nisan Erev Pesach Taanit Bechorot 7:30AM First Born Service 2:00PM Office Closes Early

Tuesday, April 23, 2024 • 15 Nisan, Pesach Office Closed 10:00AM Pesach 1 Service 5:45PM Community Seder

Wednesday, April 24, 2024 • 16 Nisan, Pesach, 1st Day Omer Office Closed 10:00AM Pesach 2 Service

Thursday, April 25, 2024 • 17 Nisan 2nd Day Omer 7:30PM Sisterhood Board Meeting

Sunday, April 28, 2024 · 20 Nisan 5th Day Omer 10:00AM Sisterhood Adventure Walk 6:00PM Pesach Evening Service

Monday, April 29, 2024 • 21 Nisan, Pesach 6th Day Omer Office Closed 10:00AM Pesach 7 Service 6:00PM Pesach Evening Service

Tuesday, April 30, 2024 • 22 Nisan Pesach, Yizkor, 7th Day Omer Office Closed 10:00AM Pesach 8 & Yizkor Service

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Pesach Pages

Prepare for Pesach!

Reference the Rabbinical Assembly Pesach Guide that details what foods are permitted and prohibited, and how to prepare your kitchen: <u>https://www.rabbinicalassembly.org/sites/</u> <u>default/files/2024-02/Pesah-Guide-5784.pdf</u>

B'dikat Hametz, The Search for Leaven Sunday, April 21st after dark at your home

After the house has been thoroughly cleaned and prepared for Pesach, we search again for any crumbs that may have been missed; this serves as an educational ritual. Several pieces of hametz are "planted" around the house and then "found." This is done in a ritualistic manner utilizing a feather, a wooden spoon, and a candle. The prayers to precede and follow the search may be found in your Haggadah. Be sure to include your children or grandchildren in this fun ritual.



First-Born Service: Why Fast When You Don't Have to?

Attend the *Siyum B'chorim* Service on Monday, April 22nd. The service begins at 7:30am and will conclude at 8:30am. A light breakfast will be provided following the service.



Preparing for the Seder

Make sure to start your preparations early enough. Invite a guest who is far from his or her home.

- Have uniform Haggadot for everyone at the table so all can participate in the seder without difficulty. These Haggadot are in addition to the decorative ones, or ones of special interest.
- Select, in advance, sections of the Haggadah to be assigned for individual reading in English by those who may not be able to follow the Hebrew.
- Rehearse *mah nishtanah* with the child who will ask the four questions.
- Suggest that one of the children prepare a talk for the seder on freedom in modern times. A token gift can be given in appreciation.
- A Jewish book or other Jewish item is an appropriate gift for the child finding the afikoman.

Focus On Freedom

It is interesting that the very holiday that celebrates freedom is the holiday that has us so encumbered by many laws. We think that freedom is about doing whatever we want. This is just not so. We live in a society and in a culture that



limit us in many ways in order for us to be able to live together without the pain, frustration, and worry that are so much a part of living a social life. We have freedom of speech, but we still can't call out "Fire!" in a crowded building. We can move about freely, but our freedom ends where the body of our neighbor begins. We can do whatever we want, but we still can't hurt another person, steal from them, publicly embarrass them, or hurt their animals or property. These laws are designed so that we can live together without the many issues that arise when one person must interact with another.

But freedom is also a privilege that we often forget. We are so used to being free that we can't imagine what life might be without it. Slavery is still all too common in our world. According to a report, at any nail salon it is possible that the people working there are not free, that they owe money to the people who own the shop, and somehow never earn enough to buy their way to freedom. Their "owners" move them from shop to shop so they never learn that they can live their lives any other way.

Pesach is the one week a year that we affirm our freedom and affirm its value in our life. At the Seder we eat unleavened bread, the bread that slaves eat. We eat bitter herbs to remember the bitterness of slavery. We eat *haroset* to recall the mortar and bricks we were required to use to build cities for those who enslaved us. There is more that we should also remember: that our children, our babies, were thrown into the river so that we should not become "too numerous" for our masters. Sometimes our children were used to fill in the spaces between the bricks if a brick was not available. Sometimes our fellow Jews were whipped in anger, but they bore the lashes so that the old and the children should not have to suffer the lash.

Slavery may have changed, but freedom is still the same. The face of slavery is different; those who enslave others still create evil in the world. Perhaps the worst slavery is when we enslave ourselves to bad habits, addictions, and anything that keeps us away from the people and places we love. The Hebrew word for Egypt is "Mitzraiyim." The word implies being stuck in a narrow place so that we are unable to get out. Each of us has our own personal narrow place where we are stuck in life. Pesach is the time when we see where we are stuck, and we begin to change our lives so we can be free.

Let us commit this Pesach to work for freedom for modern slaves and for our own personal freedom from whatever has us stuck in life.

-Rabbi Randall J. Konigsburg

BSBI COMMUNITY SEDER 5784

THE SECOND NIGHT OF PASSOVER TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024

Seder begins at 5:45pm Dinner begins around 7:00pm

Gourmet Kosher Meal Options:

Beef Brisket, Turkey, or Vegetarian Passover Wine included!

Early Bird: Register by March 31st

Adults: \$36

Regular Registration:

Adults:	\$45
Teens 13-19:	\$18
Kids under 13:	\$10
Family (3 Adults):	\$120
Family (4 Adults):	\$160



Join us as we celebrate the second night of Passover together as a community! There will be traditional rituals, songs, and a contemporary discussion led by Rabbi Konigsburg.

Register online at myshul.org ALL registrations close on April 12th

Questions?

Contact Dawn Steigelfest at steiglfest@sbcglobal.net or call the office at 860-643-9563. If cost is an obstacle, contact Rabbi Konigsburg at 860-643-6593 x101 or rabbenu@myshul.org. Donations to offset the cost of someone who needs financial assistance are welcome! Need help registering? Call the office.

Register for Community Seder

YES, I WOULD LIKE TO BE 100% HAMETZ FREE DURING PASSOVER!

Before Passover, we cleanse our homes of all hametz. However, some of us own too much hametz to get rid of it all. Jewish law allows us to keep the valuable hametz we are not willing to destroy or give away. You put it all away in a safe place in your home before Passover and sign a document, giving Rabbi Konigsburg the authority to sell it to Manchester Mayor Jay Moran for the duration of the holiday. Since you want to be certain that your hametz will not be touched during Passover, Mayor Moran will personally guarantee the safety of your hametz. All this peace of mind is yours for a small donation that will be forwarded to the **Mayor's**

chosen charity.

In order to sell your Hametz, we must have your signature on the form below in the synagogue office no later than 9:00 am on Monday, April 22nd, 2024.

Do not delay! Mail the form to: Beth Sholom B'nai Israel 400 East Middle Turnpike, Manchester, CT 06040.

Make checks out to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund marked for sale of hametz and Rabbi Konigsburg will forward them to the Mayor's chosen charity.



YES, 1 WOULD LIKE TO BE 100% HAMETZ FREE DURING PASSOVER!

I am certain that Mayor Jay Moran will protect it faithfully. I am proud to support the Mayor's chosen charity.

I/We the undersigned, hereby authorize Rabbi Randall J. Konigsburg to be my agent to sell all kinds of hametz (leavened food) so that it will not be in my possession between April 22nd and April 30, 2024. The Rabbi may sell this hametz to anyone he desires.

Nаме:_____

ADDRESS:



Faith, Hope, and Prayer

I received an email from a member this month, wondering why, when there is not a minyan in the chapel on a weekday, we can't use the people on Zoom to make the balance of the minyan.

It is a good question; in some ways I am glad she asked. First, because she didn't assume that my knee-jerk reaction was to say "Forbidden." Second, since she lives far away, it was nice to know she wanted to be part of the service. And third, it was something I was also ruminating about, and she gave me the chance to address my feelings on the subject.

Minyan is not a small matter. It is the smallest definition of a "kahal," a congregation. Clearly we want to be together as Jews when we pray, discuss, and socialize. It is important that we don't do Judaism alone. Our faith is something we do together; by being together, we also include the presence of God. Four years ago, this would not even be a topic of discussion. We each would find a community/congregation nearby and would attend when we needed a Judaism "fix."

COVID changed all of that. For more than two years we faced not being able to come together for our most important moments: family life-cycle events, such as B'nai mitzvah and funerals—not even being able to gather for shiva. We could not pray together or even sing together, because it was just not possible on Zoom. Our community being unable to gather, was like a knife cutting us apart.

It has now been over four years since COVID began, and many congregations are facing difficult challenges. Attendance at services is half what it was before the pandemic. Some of the decline is due to the people who are still concerned about the virus. But I think most of the decline is that people have just gotten out of the habit of praying. Other tasks have filled the space, and people have forgotten how comfortable, friendly, and peaceful their time in synagogue could be. Also, many people moved to more remote locations to isolate from COVID and now do not live in the area anymore.

This is the cohort who wish that we would be more inclusive of their presence on Zoom. They still feel connected to our community and want to be connected to what we are doing. This leaves us with several challenges.

Is it better to have people on Zoom rather than in person? Should we encourage participation even if they are Zooming in from more than 45 minutes away? If they live around the corner but are housebound for reasons of mobility, illness, or being unable to drive at night, should we want them to be connected to our services? The answer, of course, is yes. Why should we discourage anyone who wants to connect with prayer and with their friends in our corner of Hartford County?

Still, we know that Zoom participation is not the same as being in the synagogue "in person." The time on Zoom is important, but so is the time before the service as well as after. This is the time we meet new people, connect with friends, catch up on local and family news. As I said, Judaism is not done well alone. It is meant to be shared. Do our "Zoomers" really receive the benefits of community? Is Zoom something to be encouraged now that the pandemic is passing? Should we subtly be helping people find community closer to their new homes? What is best for making a synagogue stronger? What is best for making a community stronger? What will make Judaism stronger? What is best for helping people connect to God?

In case you are wondering what keeps me up at night.

Clearly there will need to be a middle path. What that path will look like, I am still trying to figure out. I have attended Zoom minyans where the people on Zoom are ignored. It is not a welcoming approach. I know congregations who have production staff members to make sure that those joining online have a great experience. It is an expensive choice, but the online community feels more connected and welcome. For now, I don't know what is best for BSBI short of a major donor to finance our online approach.

We will find our way. We always do.

Believe me, I am working on it.

Rabbi Randall J. Konigsburg

A Word From Our President

Let My People Go!

This Passover, as we gather around our Seder tables with family, or here at BSBI for our community Seder, we remember that there are still more than 100 hostages in Gaza who are unable to join their families.

This Passover, as we dip our Parsley in salt water in symbolism of the tears of our ancestors, we also cry for those still held captive.

This Passover, as we ask the four questions, our hearts break because right now there is no question more relevant than a simple "why?"

This Passover, as we recall life in Egypt, we know we will do everything possible to bring the hostages to freedom, and help support our brothers and sisters in Israel.

This Passover, we demand freedom for our people being held in captivity by Hamas.

This Passover, I have one request – that you set a place at your seder table in memory, and in hope.

This Passover, scream it, shout it, demand it – Let my people go!

Russ Benblatt, President, BSBI



Update from the Rabbi Search Committee

A comparison of the survey results from the visits of our two candidates revealed the congregation's clear preference for Rabbi Daniel Victor. The Search Committee presented the survey results to the Board of Directors, who voted unanimously to invite Rabbi Victor to succeed Rabbi Konigsburg as our congregational rabbi.

As a result, the Search Committee reached out to Rabbi Victor to make him an offer, and at the time of this writing, negotiations are under way. We hope that all will go forward smoothly.

The members of the Search Committee, listed below, express their thanks to the congregation for its active participation in the search process—not only for your response to last summer's survey of congregational preferences, and the surveys responding to both candidates' visits, which provided essential guidance to the committee's work, but also for your lively welcome to our candidates. Through your warm welcome and eager engagement, you have once again shown that BSBI is the congregation that rabbis want to call home. The Search Committee is well aware that, just as rabbis need to promote themselves to potential congregations, the congregation needs to demonstrate that BSBI is *the* place to be. Kol haKavod and yasher kochachem to the members of BSBI!

Mike Turk, Chair Rebecca Rumbo, Co-chair

Ron Abrahams	Steve Cohen (South Windsor)
Russ Benblatt	Hope Igdalsky
Casey Block	Maury Luxemburg
Bea Brodie	Einav Ornan
Debbie Cinquemani	Steve Wollins
Merle Cohen	

Upcoming Events

Yom HaZikaron/Yom HaAtzma'ut Monday, May 13th

Following minyan we will have a program to observe and commemorate Yom HaZikaron/Yom HaAtzma'ut, Israeli Memorial Day and Israeli Independence Day. Details will follow at a later date.

— The Programming Committee



Konigsburg Retirement Shabbat May 18-19

We will be commemorating the retirement of Rabbi Konigsburg and his wife, Michelle, on the Shabbat weekend of May 17 and 18. There will a Kabbalat Shabbat dinner on May 17 following the evening service (\$25/person) and a free deli sandwich Shabbat kiddush luncheon on May 18 following the morning service (both meals will have vegetarian options).

We will be creating a journal for the weekend to have a memory of the eight years the Konigsburgs have spent with BSBI. Anyone who would like to contribute to the journal will be able to submit an entry. There will be a fee for the entries to help with the printing costs and the entire Shabbat celebration. All entries will need to be submitted by May 1 so there is enough time to have the journal printed for the celebration.

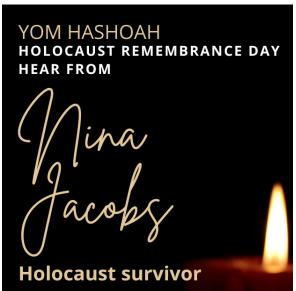
More details will be coming in the weekly email announcements about journal entries and the registration for the Kabbalat dinner and the Shabbat deli luncheon. Hope to see everyone in May!!! Maury Luxemburg

Hillel's Virtual College Prep Series: Careful Considerations: Antisemitism on Campus Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 12 p.m

Since the attack on Israel on October 7, antisemitism has risen to historically high levels in the U.S. and around the world—and college campuses have not been immune from this surge in hate.

With campus antisemitism on the minds of so many in the Jewish community, Hillel wants to ensure that high school students and their families have as much information as possible about what antisemitism and Jewish life on campus are like right now. We will discuss how Hillel supports and protects Jewish students from every angle—including security, legal support, and educating college presidents and university administrators about antisemitism.

Register Here



Yom HaShoah Speaker: Nina Jacobs Monday, May 6th at 7:00pm

On Monday evening, May 6th in honor of Holocaust Remembrance Day, Beth Sholom B'nai Israel's Brotherhood will host Nina Jacobs, Holocaust survivor, as our speaker for Yom Hashoah. Jacobs is from Poland and currently resides in Hartford. Her presentation will follow a brief evening service with refreshments served afterwards. This event is free and open to the public; all are encouraged to attend. Please register for the event here: <u>myshul.org/event/yom-hashoah-speakernina-jacobs</u>

The event will take place from 7:00pm to 9:00pm at Beth Sholom B'nai Israel. Please call or email Allison with any questions about this event 860-643-9563 or programming@myshul.org

Social Action Committee Update

BSBI members are involved in helping the community in many ways, including donating to local food pantries; winter coat drives; nursing home libraries; cleaning up the environment; and planting, maintaining, and harvesting Jessie's Garden. With that being said, here are two projects to consider for April:

1. **The Kosher Food Pantry** needs support to ensure all families have what they need for Pesach. A small donation from you will help some area family recreate the Seder of their childhood for their own children. And those curious children will probably have lots of questions for Mom or Dad, Bubbe or Zayde to answer. Even a small donation can make a difference—a box of matzoh, or apples and nuts to make charoset. Send your donation to BSBI. Make checks payable to BSBI and put SAC kosher food pantry on the memo line.

2. Affordable housing is serious problem everywhere. Here's what we have started in the past and how we can help now. Thank you, Susan Stoppelman, for this information to share.

We're Looking For You! Join the MISAC Board

Are you concerned about the shortage of affordable housing in Manchester and surrounding locations? If yes, let us share with you that our synagogue is doing something about it, and that you, too, can take an active role by joining the MISAC Board.

BSBI members can take pride in the successes of MISAC in providing quality, well-maintained housing at reasonable cost for people struggling financially. The MISAC Board meets monthly for 9 months each year. Calvin Vinick and Susan Stoppelman are current Directors representing BSBI, and there is room for one more. To join us, please email susanstopp@yahoo.com.

The History of MISAC:

In 1968, our Temple member, Arnold Klau, was the force behind the development of the 191 belowmarket rate Beechwood Apartments on Rachel Road in Manchester. He also established the Manchester Interfaith Social Action Committee (MISAC) to run the development. According to the Certificate of Incorporation, MISAC was formed to provide nonprofit housing for low- and moderate-income individuals and families where no adequate housing exists for them, and to encourage and support the provision of such housing by others. Each of the then eight participating religious institutions sent three representatives to be part of the MISAC Board of Directors.



In the past, HUD blocked MISAC from undertaking any additional construction projects, so MISAC created another nonprofit, the Manchester Interfaith Corporation (MIC), to rehab and resell 32 houses on the former Nike site, now known as Rainbow Hollow, and, later, to rehab some duplexes elsewhere in Manchester. As a result, many first-time homeowners found below-market purchase prices, with reduced down payments, and low-interest mortgages. In addition, the Nike site and Holl Street neighborhoods were revitalized. The president of MIC was BSBI member Kenneth Goldberg, who has since passed away.

Now that the HUD mortgage has been paid off at Beechwood, MISAC uses its resources to maintain the apartments and to help other housing and housing-related social service nonprofits. The board recently revised its rent structure and created systems to support home ownership for its residents, to encourage renters whose circumstances have improved, and to buy homes and open apartments for those on the lengthy Beechwood waiting list.

Your Social Action Committee

Rabbi Leon Wind Religious School Update

The Rabbi Leon Wind Religious School celebrated Purim on Sunday, March 24 during school hours. The children had a costume parade, heard Rabbi Alan read the Megillah in English, and then joined the congregation in the Sanctuary to hear the Megillah in Hebrew. Groggers were employed to great effect, and hamantaschen were consumed!

The April Junior Congregation is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th. All are welcome to visit the Chapel from 11:00 till noon; it is a joy to see the children learning to lead services! They also lead the closing prayers in the Sanctuary.

The school's model Seder will take place during normal school hours on Sunday, April 21.

The last day of school will be celebrated on May 18 with a talent show and barbecue.

Questions, Sh'elot, Preguntas

With Passover coming, we are reminded that we are allowed, even encouraged, to ask questions. The Passover Haggadah even ensures that questions are asked. Perhaps the most famous passage in the Haggadah is the "Ma Nish-ta-na," which is not actually a question but a declaration, a noticing: "How different this night is from all other nights!"

This paragraph is recited by the youngest person (not necessarily a child) at the Seder. For most Jewish children, this may be their first experience of public speaking, public questioning. The questions ask the reasons behind the holiday's rituals. For example, "On all other nights, we eat all kinds of bread; why tonight do we only eat Matza?" The rest of the Haggadah is designed to answer the child's questions.

Another well-known passage speaks of four children: one wise, one thoughtless, one simple, and one too young to ask questions. We are told that no two children are alike; each studies in his or her own way, developing their own style of living, which requires asking questions. The passage describes the parents' responses to each child. And most parents recognize that their children are nothing alike.

The spirit of Passover is summarized in one characteristic teaching of the Haggadah: "In every generation, we are obligated to regard ourselves as if we *personally* were liberated from Egypt."

So, in the spirit of Passover, as we experience our freedom and as we ask our questions, we at BSBI, with a new rabbi at hand, will be asking questions pertaining to our growth, to what our future will look like. In May, I will be meeting with the parents of our school, first to greet you as your friendly rabbi/principal; and then to ask a few questions that will give us insight as to your expectations of our school, and for me to express my goals, so that we can work together as a team.

Jody and I wish you all a happy, sweet Passover. Rabbi Alan

SELL YOUR CHAMETZ:

According to the *Shulchan Aruch*, a Jew who retains possession of leavened food during Passover is transgressing the precept: "No leaven shall be seen with you," (Deuteronomy 16:4) and "No leaven shall be found in your houses" (Exodus 12:19).

"Every nook and cranny must be searched with the utmost care; even searching the pockets of our garments" (Shulchan Aruch, ch. 433, par. 42). It is forbidden to own any chametz products during Passover. Every year, Rabbi Konigsburg makes arrangements with the Mayor of Manchester to buy our chametz before the first Seder. Our donations go to a local charity—it's a double mitzvah! Make this important mitzvah part of your holiday observance.

Deadline: 9:00am on Monday, April 22nd.



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Join the Rabbi Leon Wind Religious School for **FAMILY SHABBAT**

SERVICE & DINNER

Friday, April 5th at 6:00pm

ADULTS: \$8 CHILDREN 5+: \$5 CHILDREN UNDER 5: FREE PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AT WWW.MYSHUL.ORG

A generous donation from the David and Dorothy Sherman Foster Family Fund will help subsidize the cost of this event.

Celebration Dates



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

Happy Birthday to:

April 2: Elinor Flink April 3: Steven Wollins April 3: William Breslau April 7: Barbara Zubrow April 8: Marilyn Starr April 8: Ona Mastronarde April 9: Levi Blumenstein April 11: Leslie Abrahams April 12: Devra Baum April 12: Devra Baum April 14: David Plen April 15: Rima Riedel April 16: Alan Goldstein April 17: Jane Darico April 17: David Alter April 20: Sissy Seader April 21: Melvin Spielberg April 21: Elyse Spielberg April 22: Alan Schmerler April 23: Debra Balogh-Delaney April 24: Jacob Friedman April 25: Elly Cohen April 26: Lewis Segal April 26: Roberta Silverman April 26: Connie Plepler April 30: Charles Berger

Happy Anniversary to:

April 12: Roy & Risa Filkoff April 12: Lewis & Shirley Segal April 17: Barbara & Bill Bayer

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 <u>admin@myshul.org</u>.

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

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

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What's Ahead for Sisterhood

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Monday. April 1 7:30 pm George and Lillian Sandals Lecture

> **Tuesday, April 9** 1:30 pm Knit and Kvetch at BSBI

Thursday, April 25 (Note change of date) 7:30 pm Sisterhood Board Meeting on Zoom

Sunday, April 28 10:00 am Sisterhood Adventure Walk

> **Tuesday, May 21** 7:30 pm Torah Fund Event

Adventure Walk

Time to shake off all those matzo crumbs. We'll be walking again on Sunday, April 28th. Meet us at BSBI parking lot at 10am, we'll decide where we will be walking and off we'll go.

Margie Partney

Share an Oneg

The pulpit flowers for Pesach will be sponsored by Mimi Kalman in memory of her beloved father, Joseph I. Levitas.

Call me if you'd like to sponsor the pulpit flowers to enhance an occasion of your own.

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

Torah Fund Cards

Get well to Susan Rubin, Mazel Tov to Susan Rubin on the birth of her grandson, Walker William Ratches, and get well to Anne Fink from Mimi Kalman.

Mazel Tov to Susan Rubin on the birth of her grandson, Walker William Ratches from Lynn and Jack Cohen.

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

Sisterhood Gift Shop: Your Source for all Your Smachot

It's coming! What? Pesach is coming, again! We have a great selection of Seder plates and other Seder accessories. Come look at our inventory.

If you don't see what you want, please give either Harriet Beede (860-305-8711) or Brenda Lerner (860-643-9700) a call and we'll be happy to meet with you or order something special.

> Harriet Beede, hmbeede@gmail.com Brenda Lerner, brenler@cox.net

Pesach Project—Kicking off its 9th Year!

Because of your generous support last year, the Pesach Project netted an incredible \$10,005! On your behalf, we were able to fulfill the Passover mandate to feed the hungry in our midst. We were able to donate funds to **Mazon** and **Leket**, two organizations feeding the hungry in the United States and Israel. The remaining money went to our Sisterhood to further all the good work they do for our congregation.

Our contributions to these anti-hunger organizations at Pesach fulfills the commandment of **Maot Hittim**, meaning "wheat money," which demands that we attend to the needs of the hungry at this time of our celebration of freedom. In the words of the Haggadah, "Let all who are hungry come and eat."

This year, as our thoughts and prayers are with Israel, we are also giving you a chance to contribute to **Standing Together**, a wonderful organization that supports IDF soldiers by providing supplies to them in the field. You can find more information about their work here: <u>www.stogether.org</u>

This initiative allows you to greet your fellow synagogue members with wishes for a sweet and joyous holiday. We ask you to continue this tradition this year and will be soliciting your participation online and via the mail. The donation **deadline** is **April 9**, **2024** so that we can send the greeting to everyone before the start of Pesach.

Thank you in advance for your participation!

Sincerely, Becky Murray, Chair

Mimi Kalman, Editor

Knit & Kvetch

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 9th at 1:30pm in the library. After that, we have one more meeting to go before our break until September. Please join us! If you are rusty at knitting or crocheting, we can refresh you.

If you have any leftover yarns, we could always use them (no wool please). If you would like to make a donation, make out the check to BSBI Sisterhood, write Knit and Kvetch on the memo line, and you can either mail it to BSBI or leave it in the Office and ask for it to be put in the Sisterhood box.

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

Anne Fink

Sisterhood/Hadassah Book Club

We will not have a meeting in April because we will be getting ready for Pesach and will have discussed *The Pomegranate* at the Sandals Lecture. See you in May!

Our May book will be *Looking For Jane* by Heather Marshall.

As usual, the Research Librarian at Mary Cheney Library will be getting the book and holding the copies for us.

Maxine Lerman and Becky Murray

Sisterhood Speaks

George and Lillian Sandals Lecture

April 1, 2024, 7:30 pm

George and Lillian Sandals were early and very active members of BSBI, firm believers in adult education and lovers of good books. When they died, their sons established a fund to help sponsor an author for this annual event.

This year's guest lecturer is author S. J. Schwaidelson. She is New York-born and now lives in Mendota Heights, Minnesota. Schwaidelson is a novelist, current events blogger, playwright, and occasional midrashist.

Currently, she has three novels out: *Dream Dancer*, about PhD candidate Leah Fine, during her field work in Peru; *Lingua Galactica*, a science fiction tale about Lt. Sara Jane Rothko-Krieg, a linguist who has chosen to serve in space; and *The Pomegranate*, a story set against the backdrop of the Third Crusade, a time when Jews and Muslims fought against a common enemy. Each novel is about a strong Jewish woman facing major challenges on her chosen path.

Schwaidelson's blog, "The Wifely Person Speaks," has been around since 2010, and is read globally. She publishes her take on current events, politics, and the art of the ridiculous late on Monday nights. If that's not enough, you can find her take on Tanach in "Midrash State of Mind." Both can be found on Blogger: <u>wifelyperson.blogspot.com</u>, <u>midrashstateofmind.blogspot.com</u>. Her website, *S. J. Schwaidelson: The Author Is In*, is devoted to all things writing-related and can be found at <u>sjschwaidelson.com</u>

For the lecture, she will be discussing her latest book, *The Pomegranate*. She will join us for dessert and lecture at 7:30 pm on April 1. Please register at the BSBI website so we know how many are coming and we have enough for all. We are ordering a small number of copies of *The Pomegranate* that will be available, on a "first come, first served" basis, to purchase and have our author sign.

To come to the lecture only, there is no charge. There is a charge of \$10.00 for lecture and dessert and a charge of \$20.00 for lecture, dessert and book.

SAVE THE DATE: Torah Fund Event

May 21 at 7:30 pm

Our speaker will be Rabbi Nelly Altenburger, the rabbi of Congregation Adath Israel in Middletown CT. Rabbi Altenburger was born and raised in Brazil and received her BA Degree in Hebrew Language and Literature from the University of São Paulo. She received a MA in Rabbinic Studies in 2004 from the Zeigler School of Rabbinic Studies in Los Angeles, and was ordained in 2006.

She has also spent time living in Argentina, England, and Israel. She is a fluent speaker of Portuguese, English, Hebrew, and Spanish. Previous to joining Adath Israel, she was the Rabbi and Religious School Director at Congregation B'nai Israel in Danbury, CT for fourteen years. Rabbi Altenburger and her husband have four children.

Your donation, in any amount, to Torah Fund is your admission to this event. Torah Fund is administered by Women's League for Conservative Judaism (WLCJ), the national organization of all our Conservative Sisterhoods. Why give to Torah Fund? By doing so, your generosity helps provide essential scholarships and programs to train future leaders of the Jewish community. Torah Fund helps develop future rabbis, cantors, educators, synagogue administrators, social workers, scholars, researchers, lay leaders, and others. When you support Torah Fund, you help educate students in Conservative/Masorti seminaries in New York, Los Angeles, Jerusalem, Buenos Aires and Potsdam, Germany, and you align with those who value knowledge, learning, and providing the future generation with relevant skills to enrich the Jewish people.

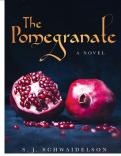
Each year Torah Fund chooses a theme. This year's is "Kol Israel Arevim Zeh BaZeh - All of Israel is responsible for one another." and a special pin is designed to go with the theme, to be given to donors who give \$180.

The \$180 does not need to be given all at once. You can pay monthly \$18 for ten months or \$36 for five. I will be happy to keep track of your monthly payments. Your donation in any amount is welcome; all donations are important.

Your checks in any amount and made out to Torah Fund can be given to me that evening or mailed to me, Mimi Kalman, 163 Scott Drive, Manchester, CT 06042.

Carol Hatch, Programing Chair & Mimi Kalman, BSBI Torah Fund Chair







Brotherhood Corner

Happy Spring to my BSBI family!

March was an exciting month for Brotherhood. At our monthly breakfast, our guest speaker, Andrew Meagher from the Yard Goats, brought his good friend Chompers ... who seemed to be more interested in spending time with the kids at the Hebrew School, even though many of the Brotherhood were having a great time with him. We are so very appreciative of the relationship we have with the Yard Goats, and of their ongoing support of the Jewish Community through Jewish Heritage Day. This year it's on July 28 – and if you want to join us, Steve Cohen still has a few tickets left, but they're going fast.

Our next meeting is on Sunday, April 7, starting with Shacharit at 9:00am, followed by breakfast at 9:30, business meeting at 10:00, and our guest speaker at 10:30. As always, all members of the congregation are welcome to join us for our speaker. This month, we will be joined by Arthur Freedman.



Chompers with Spin Zucker

Arthur is a former member of the Men's Club, and a longtime member of BSBI where he was a Torah reader, service leader, and even contributed to the artwork at the synagogue. In addition to his former "day job" as a Manchester dentist, Arthur is also a professional artist. His work has been exhibited at prestigious juried art shows throughout the Northeast, including Art Expo New York, and the Mystic Art Festival where he received fourth overall award for the entire festival. It's no wonder that with his artistic background, his dental specialty was full-mouth complete smile makeovers. Arthur is also an avid skier, bicycle rider, tennis player ... and a drummer who founded the classic rock band "Midlife Crisis." He'll be sharing slides of his artwork, including a few great "smiles," and will share thoughts on the importance of work AND play. We hope to see you on the 7th!

B'Shalom, Glenn Hauer President, BSBI Brotherhood



Chompers the mascot had a great time at the men's meeting and breakfast. His normal diet is Kibble & Bits, and he devoured 3 bagels, 2 hashbrowns, and some cookies. The lox was too salty. The food was so good that he got some needed rest on the stage in the auditorium.

On March 3rd, 2024 the BSBI Brotherhood members were entertained by the Yard Goats Mascot Chompers, and heard from our speaker, Andrew Meagher, the promotions coordinator for the Yard Goats. He's in charge of the mascot and other promotions for kids like free giveaways. On July 28th, Jewish Heritage Day, Kosher Food will be available and a pre-game Klezmer band will perform at Dunkin' Park.

Photographer- Harold A. Bernstein



BSBI Brotherhood Presents Jewish Heritage Day at Dunkin' Park



SUNDAY, JULY 28TH 2024 GAME TIME: 1:10pm GATES OPEN: 11:30am HARRISBURG SENATORS (WASHINGTON NATIONALS) VS THE HARTFORD YARD GOATS (COLORADO ROCKIES)

Featuring: **Reserved Seating** Kosher Food Options Available Pre-Game Klezmer Band Performance Post-Game Kids-Run-the-Bases Activity Special Jewish Community Leadership Ceremony



BSBI Brotherhood has reserved seats for the upper field box section 104 at a group rate of \$17 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 5th 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 guestions to Steve at cttoxdoc@gmail.com



BSBI BROTHERHOOD PRESENTS JEWISH HERITAGE DAY AT DUNKIN' PARK



SUNDAY, JULY 28TH 2024 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: _____ \$17 each

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PHONE:

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Space is limited: ORDER AND PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY JULY 5TH Your tickets will arrive by e-mail.

Leave a Jewish Legacy





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: BSBIEndowment@myshul.org

Endowment Foundation

Scholarships	Rabbi Leon Wind Religious School	Adult Education	Community	General Endowment Fund	
Gloria <u>Byk</u> Fund	Bayer/Davison Fund	Sylvia A. <u>Cheikin</u> Fund	Berkman Family Fund	Israel and Lillian Abramovitz Fund	
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Cantor Israel and Irene Tabatsky Fund	Podrove - Resnick Fund	Ruth and Jack Sandals Fund	Leonard Seader Fund	Rhoda Goldstein Fund	for each of us to
Marsha and Samuel Yules Fund	Martin L. Rubin Fund	Rabbi Jeshaia and Hilde Schnitzer Fund	Shapiro Family Fund	Edith Gottlieb Fund	provide for our synagogue on a
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	continuous basis 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
			Operating Fund	Irving and Ethel	you experience life's greatest
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Howard Gold Fund	Nellie Katz Cohen Fund	Elaine and Leo Charendoff Fund	Congregation B'nai Israel Memorial Park Fund	Rita Oshinsky Fund	Endowment
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For information about establishing an Endowment Fund or leaving a bequest, contact Dr. Jeffrey Wasser <u>BSBIEndowment@myshul.org</u> or Rabbi Konigsburg 860-643-9563 x101.

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In appreciation of Jeffrey Wasser's kindness from Susan Stoppelman

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In memory of Mischa Mandel from Liza Mandel In memory of the Yahrzeit of Sylvia Jacobs, mother of Susan Scherick from Susan and Ron Scherick In memory of David Gamzon on the occasion of his yahrzeit from William Gamzon

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Yahrzeit of my fabulous mom - Nellie Cohen; Yahrzeit of my special Aunt, Etta Buckman; Yahrzeit of my wonderful sister, Dorothy Zundell from Sissy Seader

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Yahrzeit of my father, Charles Berger from Charles Berger

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For the Shabbat lunch fund from Gail Freedman & Herb Koenig

Happy Birthday to Richard Abrahams from Richard & Leslie Abrahams

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In memory of beloved mother Natalie Zimmerman on the occasion of her yahrzeit from Jane Zimmerman In memory of Esther Z. Brody from Mr. & Mrs. Barry Resnick

Yahrzeit of my loving parents, Sylvia and Jack Weg from Marilyn Starr



	April 2024 Calendar					
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 (22 Adar II)	2 (23 Adar II)	3 (24 Adar II)	4 (25 Adar II)	5 (26 Adar II)	6 (27 Adar II)
	7:00pm	7:00pm	7:00pm	4:30pm	5:30pm	Shabbat Mevarchim
		-	1	Hebrew school	Family Shabbat	Parshat Hachodesh
	7:30pm Sandals			Gr 3-7	Dinner	10:00am Shabbat
	Lecture			7:00pm	7:03pm	Service
				Mincha/Maariv	0 0	8:07pm Havdalah
					Sunset: 7:21pm	Sunset: 7:22pm
7(28 Adar II)	8 (29 Adar II)	9 (1 Nisan)	10 (2 Nisan)	11 (3 Nisan)	12 (4 Nisan)	13 (5 Nisan)
9:00am	7:00pm	Rosh Chodesh	7:00pm	7:00pm	6:00pm	10:00am Shabbat
Morning	Mincha/Maariv		Mincha/Maariv	Mincha/Maariv	Friday Night	Service
Minyan		1:30pm			Services	12:30pm Shabbat
9:30am		Knit & Kvetch			7:10pm	Lunch
Brotherhood		7:00pm			Candle Lighting	8:15pm Havdalah
Meeting		Mincha/Maariv				
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14 (6 Nisan)	15 (7 Nisan)	16 (8 Nisan)	17 (9 Nisan)	18 (10 Nisan)	19 (11 Nisan)	20 (12 Nisan)
9:00am	5:00pm	7:00pm	7:00pm	4:30pm	6:00pm	Shabbat HaGadol
Hebrew	Bulletin	Mincha/Maariv	-	Hebrew school	Friday Night	10:00am Shabbat
school K-7	Submission		7:30pm	Gr 3-7	Services	Service
	Deadline		Board Meeting	7:00pm	7:18pm	10:00 am Jr.
	7:00pm Mincha/Maariv			Mincha/Maariv	Candle Lighting	Congregation 8:22pm Havdalah
					Sunset: 7:36pm	Sunset: 7:37pm
21 (13 Nisan)	22 (14 Nisan)	23 (15 Nisan)	24 (16 Nisan)	25 (17 Nisan)	26 (18 Nisan)	27 (19 Nisan)
9:00am	Erev Pesach	Pesach	Pesach	2nd Day Omer	3rd Day Omer	4th Day Omer
Hebrew	Taanit Bechorot	Office Closed	1 st Day Omer	4:30pm	6:00pm	10:00am Shabbat
school K-7		10:00am Pesach		Hebrew school	Friday Night	Service
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5	Office Closes	Community	8:27pm		Candle Lighting	
	7:21pm Candle	Seder	Havdalah	7:30pm	0 0	
	Lighting	8:25pm Candle		Sisterhood		
		Lighting		Board Meeting		
					Sunset: 7:44pm	Sunset: 7:45pm
28 (20 Nisan)	29 (21 Nisan)	30 (22 Nisan)				
5th Day Omer	Pesach	Pesach Yizkor				
9:00am	6th Day Omer	7th Day Omer				
Hebrew	Office Closed	Office Closed				
school K-7	10:00am Pesach					
10:00am	7 Service	8 & Yizkor				
Adv. Walk	6:00pm Pesach					
6:00pm Pesach Service	Evening Service 8:32pm	8:33pm Havdalah				
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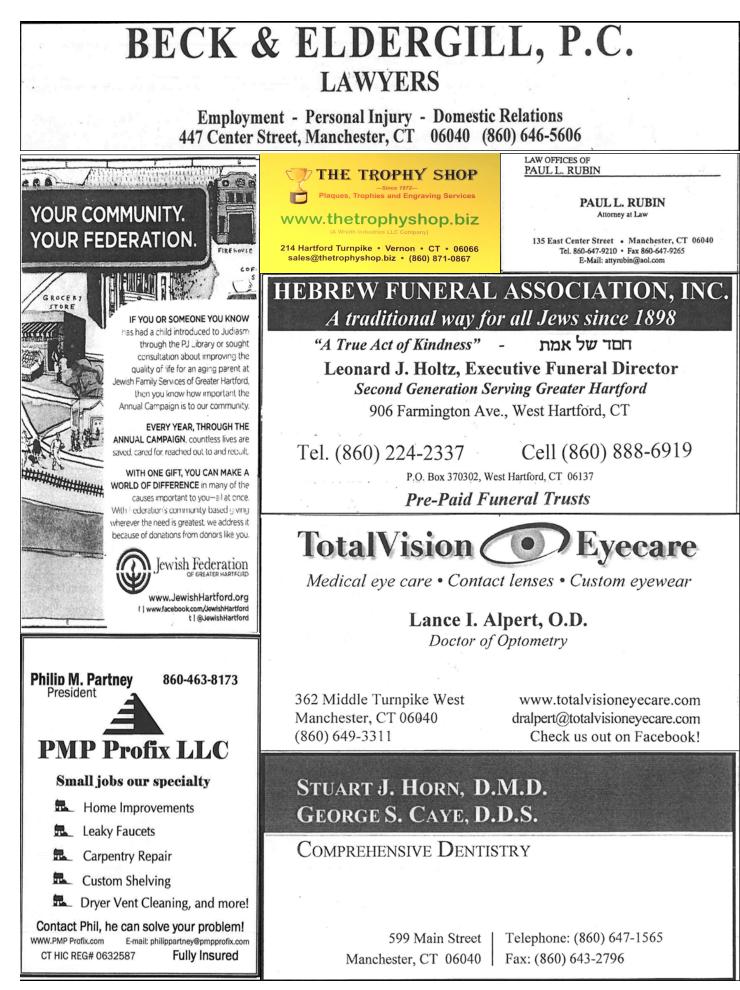
Evening Minyan Schedule

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