The Message

FEBRUARY 2024



COUNTRY ROADS, TAKE ME TO SHUL....

BY CANTOR RACHEL GOLDMAN

I tell my B'nai Mitzvah students constantly that services are like a road trip that we go on as a community every week. Like a road trip, the more times you sit in a passenger seat, the less you have to ask "are we there yet?" The liturgy of our service is reliable in the sense that "getting off the freeway prayer" (Aleinu?) never comes before the Buc-ee's stop (Barchu? Just go with the metaphor...), though sometimes the melodies chosen make the journey a little more lively or a little more leisurely.

I also do not ask my B'nai Mitzvah students to do anything that I wouldn't be willing to do myself. One thing I ask of them constantly is to step outside of their comfort zone. Enter the California Cantor who has been taught to embrace *minhag hamakom* (local customs) in prayer communities. A minhag here that I had never experienced before in my life is GO TEXAN SHABBAT that we have just as the Rodeo comes to town. Last year, I didn't even know exactly what the Rodeo was (don't laugh). On top of that, unfortunately, just as the rodeo rolled into Houston last year, the flu also rolled into my immune system and I didn't get to experience Go Texan Shabbat. And I also still didn't know a single real country song according to many of my new Texan friends by the time the Rodeo was here.

So this year, I knew I needed to have a real Cantor Country Intensive. Time to turn up the Texas Transformation. No more knowing only the first five words of *Neon Moon* or not being able to sing along to *All My Exes Live in Texas*. It was time to finally *immerse* myself in Country music and embrace this particular *minhag* of blending Cantor and Cowboy. So, though I am pretty sure I didn't have this exercise on my Cantor Bingo Card, I have decided to Texas two-step myself very far OUT of my comfort zone (and yes, in cowboy boots) by setting our Friday Night Liturgy to some of our favorite iconic country songs. That's right, Go Texan Shabbat this year has been given the Rock Shabbat treatment, now officially called STAR Shabbats, with some more really fun melody swaps. While the words will stay the same (they'll be in the same place as always in the siddur!), you'll find that the melodies on February 23^{FO} will be *much* more Rodeo-friendly than your standard Shabbat service. This time it comes with the added bonus of seeing your California Cantor go fully Texan. Buckle up, Beth Yeshurun, life is a highway and we are going to take the scenic route to Shabbat!

Check out what's happening on and around campus! Mitzvah Day 2024



Mazel Tov to our B'nai Mitzvah!



Ariel Jacqueline Striegold (February 9-10) daughter of Cara & Brian Striegold; sister of Ethan; granddaughter of Louise & Jack Striegold^{z^{*}L}, Faye^{z^{*}L} & Herbert Miller; great-granddaughter of Rose & Morris Greenblatt^{z^{*}L}, Betty & Aaron Striegold^{z^{*}L}, Marie & Meyer Miller^{z^{*}L}, and Pearl & Albert Daube^{z^{*}L}.

It's a Mitzvah!

Interested in making a donation towards the Chapel Minyan weekday breakfast, or a Chapel or Museum Minyan Shabbat Kiddush in memory of your loved one or in honor of a simcha? Please contact Marco Alvarado at **MALVARADO@BETHYESHURUN.ORG** or 713.666.1881 x368.

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We are pleased to welcome the newest members to our congregational family. Please be sure to introduce yourself to newcomers as they become a part of our community.

Lindsay & Itai Ben Eli, Mia Brittany Sadoff & David Finkel Adylle Varon & Robert Kreuzburg, Avi Astrid & Andrew McClanahan, Amelie Sharon & Barry Shapiro

Know someone interested in becoming a part of our community? New to town? Looking to connect? Contact Mindi Stern at MSTERN@BETHYESHURUN.ORG or 713.666.1881.

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- Stand together with our brothers and sisters during this most crucial moment in time
- Converse with families of the fallen and the kidnapped
- Participate in hands-on volunteer activities
- Visit one of the communities affected by the actions of Hamas
- Meet with experts and learn more about the latest developments in the region
- Celebrate Shabbat in Jerusalem
- Tour Jerusalem's Old City and the Jewish Quarter
- Visit Yad Vashem, the national memorial of the Holocaust
- Explore Jaffa and its rich historical charm
- And much more...



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Unleash the Fun Sunday, March 24

Condolences

The congregation extends its sincerest condolences to the families of:

Adele Goldman, Sarah Grossman, and Rae Sampson

May their memories be for a blessing.

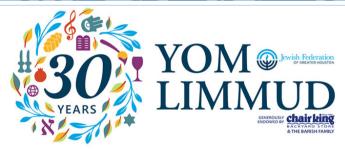
A Notice About Bereavement Communications

Bereavement notices for our synagogue family are distributed with the permission of the deceased's family, and the timing of these notices is dictated by the family's request. Of course, each family grieves in its own way, and we are grateful for our congregation's patience and understanding with different families' preferences about how their loss is publicized.

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February 4, 2024, 9:00am - 4:30pm Congregation Emanu El 1500 Sunset Blvd, Houston, TX 77005

Join the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston as they celebrate Yom Limmud, the official day of Jewish learning! The 30th celebration is not one you're going to want to miss. 2024 Yom Limmud Chair: Aileen Zarin

Beth Yeshurun is delighted to present **Professor Shalom Sabar** for our annual lecture as part of Yom Limmud 2024. Sabar is a professor of Art History at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem. He has lectured at Harvard, University of Pennsylvania, University of Amsterdam, and École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris.

The morning prayers that **Rabbi Steven Morgen** favors guide us in expressing gratitude for the often overlooked blessings in our lives. To better grasp their significance, join his class "Count Your Blessings" at 9A where we'll aim to comprehend their composition, origins, and the meanings of key words, followed by providing modern interpretations aligned with the underlying ideas.

The creation of Jewish films seems endless, with a variety available online, in theaters, and on physical media like DVD and Blu-Ray. **Rabbi David Rosen**, is a fan of these movies, and will share a selection of his favorites, encompassing both classics and recent releases, and will also showcase trailers for each in his 11:30A class "My Favorite Jewish Movies."

Cost: \$18 pre-registation/ \$25 at the door. For more information and to register visit:

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Minyannaire of the Year

Saturday, February 24, 2024 at 10:45AM



The J.B. Greenfield Chapel will join the Main Sanctuary to celebrate this year's Steve Rudoff Memorial Minyannaire of the Year - Lenny Kammerman!

Lenny joins an impressive group of congregants that have been integral in keeping our daily minyan going, including

Jack Uzick, Filmore Cohen, Dr. Irving Rothman, Dr Stephen Tew, Max Esses, Burt Skolnik, Woody Fox, and Barbara and Dell Coleman. Thank you, Lenny, for your contributions and dedication to Beth Yeshurun's daily minyan!



Friday, February 23, 2024 at 6:00pm

Dust off those cowboy boots and get ready for our first STAR Shabbat and kick off rodeo season with Go Texan Shabbat

Cantor Goldman and her band will blend the twang of country tunes with the spiritual harmony of Shabbat prayers. From 'Neon Moon' to 'Deep in the Heart of Texas,' we're gonna have a foot-stompin', hand-clappin', hallelujah-singin' good time.

So put on your rhinestones and Stetsons, because, in the words of Johnny Cash, 'We'll walk the line' between country and Shabbat. 'Don't fence me in,' let's 'roam if we want to,' and make Shabbat memories that'll last longer than a George Strait love song.

After the last chord has faded, stick around for a rootin', tootin', good time - an oneg as big as Texas!

A mighty big 'Thank you' to our STAR Shabbat sponsors for making this hootenanny possible. Save the date for our next STAR Shabbat: The Beatles on May 17th.

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Join us for Morning Minyan... stay and learn Torah with our Clergy!

Tuesdays: Wisdom of Torah with Rabbi Strauss
Held in memory of Steve Rudoff²¹. Breakfast is
sponsored by: Larry Finder, Stephen Tew, Gordon Zuber,
& Jack Uzick

Wednesdays: Voices of Torah with Rabbi Morgen
Breakfast is sponsored by: Trudi & Max Esses,
Larry Finder, Barbara & Dell Coleman,
and Rachel & Andrew Toubin

Thursdays: Looking at Torah with Rabbi Fort & Guests
Breakfast is sponsored by: Anonymous and
Courtney Zubowski-Haas & Eric Haas

Saturdays: Weekly Torah Portion with Rabbi Horwitz



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OLAR IN RESIDENCE riday, February 17

Family member or friend in the hospital or nursing care?

The CBY Clergy and/or Hospital Visiting Group members are happy to reach out to them with spiritual comfort.

Please contact Lisa Unsell at LUNSELL@BETHYESHURUN.ORG or 713.255.8017 to request a phone call (or visit in person, if possible) for your loved one.

YES Group

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

11:30A - Lunch | 12:00P - Entertainment!

Enjoy lunch with friends, then hear our very own Cantor, Rachel Goldman, and Accompanist, Julie Sacks. Open to the community, so feel free to share with other seniors that might enjoy our program! Thank you to our February sponsor - The Tradition - Buffalo Speedway!

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100 Jewish Men

Wednesday, February 21, 2024
Dinner at 6:30p | Program at 7:00p
Program Only: Members \$12 / Non-Members \$25
Dinner & Program: Members \$25 / Non-Members \$38

Our February guest is Dr. Doug Dow, a Board-Certified Urologist, speaking on "Understanding Prostate Enlargement and Prostate Cancer and Their Treatments." Specializing in urologic oncology and robotic-assisted laparoscopic surgery, he earned his medical degree from the University of Texas Medical Branch and completed his residency at the University of South Florida. Dr. Dow has presented research internationally and nationally on urologic topics and enjoys family time, live music, fitness, and acting outside of his medical practice.

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Monday, February 12, 2024 at 7:00_{PM} Antisemitism on Campus

ADL created Kulanu as an organization dedicated to empowering congregations to address antisemitism and hate in their communities through education, community engagement, and advocacy.

Join us for our first spring program concerning Antisemitism on College Campus with Rabbi Stephanie Max, Executive Director of University of Texas Hillel; Rabbi Jonathan Siger, Rabbi at Hillel Texas A&M University; and Rabbi Kenny Weiss, Executive Director of Houston Hillel. Our speakers will be followed by Q&A.

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WE STAND WITH ISRAEL

The Jewish Federation of Greater Houston has established a Support for Israel Fund following multi-front attacks on Israel during Shabbat and the Sukkot/Simchat Torah holiday. They are in close contact with overseas partners, and anticipate an unprecedented need to assist victims of terror and their families. Now, more than ever, they need your support. Israel will prevail and the Jewish people will stand together as we always do. Am Yisrael Chai.

100% of the funds will be distributed to support victims of terror for:

- Basic Needs: Food and financial assistance for impacted families
- Housing: Support for communities under fire and for new olim
- **Support for Victims of Terror:** Immediate cash grants for post-trauma care
- Support for Soldiers: Supplies and medical care
- **Emergency Medical Services:** Supplies and equipment for first responders and hospitals
- Accurate Media Reporting: Combat prejudice and anti-Israel bias in the media
- Trauma Relief and Psychological Care: Wide-scale support for those struggling to cope

If you would like to support the fund through your donoradvised fund, please contact your fund administrator or learn more through **HJCF.ORG**. If you have any issues with the Jewish Federation of Greater Houstons of website, **HOUSTONJEWISH.ORG/SUPPORT-FOR-ISRAEL**, please call 713-729-7000.

For more resources and thoughts from our Clergy about the the current environment in Israel visit:

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Jewish Disability Awareness, Acceptance & Inclusion Month



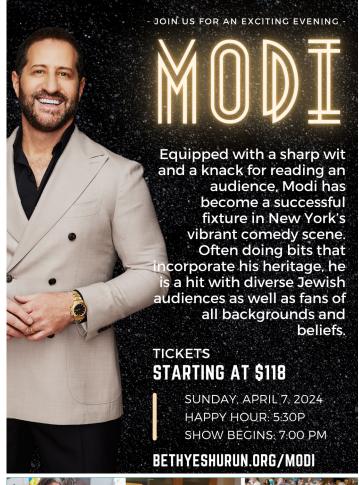
JDAIM Shabbat: Friday, February 9, 2024 at 6:00pm

Join us as we celebrate JDAIM (Jewish Disability Awareness, Acceptance, and Inclusion Month) with guest speaker Cicely Reid, Senior Staff Attorney for Disability Rights Texas. The purpose of Jewish Disability Awareness, Acceptance, and Inclusion Month (JDAIM) is to unite Jewish communities to raise awareness and champion the rights of all Jews, including Jews with disabilities, to be respected, valued, and included in all aspects of Jewish community life.

Disability Rights Texas (DRTx) is the designated legal protection and advocacy agency for individuals with disabilities in Texas. Their mission is to help people with disabilities understand and exercise their legal rights, ensuring full and equal participation in society. DRTx attorneys provide direct legal representation, advocate for rights through the legal system, educate policymakers, empower individuals and families, and make referrals to essential programs and services. Legal practice areas include ADA, employment, voting rights, accessibility, special education, healthcare, community integration, foster care, housing, transportation, disaster services, supported decision making, alternatives to guardianship, social security, and institutional rights.

The mission of JDAIM (Jewish Disability Awareness, Acceptance, and Inclusion Month) is a unified initiative to raise disability awareness and support efforts to foster inclusion in Jewish communities worldwide.

More about our speaker: Cicely Reid is the pro bono coordinator and senior staff attorney at Disability Rights Texas. Based in Houston, she works on Medicaid appeals and accessibility disputes. Cicely manages the statewide pro bono program, recruiting private law firm volunteers to handle DRTx cases, leading pro bono clinics, and developing CLE materials. Formerly an assistant district attorney, she transitioned to private law firm practice before joining DRTx. Cicely holds an MBA from Tulane University and is a graduate of The University of Texas School of Law-Austin and Texas A&M University.







World Wide Wrap SUNDAY, FEBURARY 11 AT 9:00AM

Conservative Jewish men and women around the world will celebrate the mitzvah of Tefillin at their morning minyanim, joining thousands of other Jews in the annual "World Wide Wrap." Rabbis and trainers will be available to teach you how to daven with tefillin. Bring your own tefillin or borrow a set from our loaner supply. Breakfast sponsored by 100 Jewish Men before we wrap!

COFFEE & KETUBAHS

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 10:00am

Sisterhood invites you to a showing of the extensive collection of ketubot in our Kaplan Museum, including many that are not on display. Museum docent Carol Emery will give us the tour, and we will enjoy light brunch.

Open to all, but please register for security purposes and so we have bites for everyone.

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Open Tuesday-Thursday 10a-4p; Friday 10a-2p; Sunday 10a-1p; Closed Saturday & Monday.



2/2 Tot Shabbat! Sisterhood Shabbat

2/3 BYDS Gala

2/4 Yom Limmud at Emanu El Better Together: REELART Opening Reception

2/9 Jewish Disability, Awareness, and Inclusion Month (JDAIM) Shabbat

2/10 MyShabbat

2/11 RS/Sulam
Jewish Learning Project (JLP)
World Wide Wrap

2/12 Kulanu: Antisemitism on Campus

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2/16 Scholar in Residence: Yoram Ettinger

2/17 Scholar in Residence: Yoram Ettinger Stars of the Sixties Dinner & Show

2/18 Jewish Learning Project (JLP)

2/21 YES Group with Cantor Goldman & Julie Sacks 100 Jewish Men with Guest Dr. Doug Dow

2/22 Gathering Place

2/23 Go Texan & STAR Shabbat

2/24 Minyannaire of the Year, Lenny Kammerman MyShabbat

2/24 RS/Sulam

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Tween Event with Sunshine Art

3/1 Tot Shabbat!

3/3 RS/Sulam

Jewish Learning Project (JLP)

Kosher Chili Cookoff

3/9 Shabbat Renewal: Organ Donation

3/10 RS/Sulam

Jewish Learning Project (JLP)

3/17 RS/Sulam

Jewish Learning Project (JLP)

Rosh Chodesh Program

3/20 100 Jewish Men with Guest Kevin Lipson

3/21 Kids Meals/SEARCH

3/22 Fourth Friday Happy Hour

3/24 RS/Sulam

Jewish Learning Project (JLP)

Purim Carnival

Blood Drive

4/7 Modi

4/22 Passover - First Night Seder

Ongoing: Breakfast Torah Club with Clergy; Wednesdays: Jewish Meditation

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