

ANNUAL DINNER HONORING RABBI REUVEN & RACHEL STEIN



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14TH

Join us as we pay tribute to Rabbi Reuven & Rachel Stein, a couple whose passion and commitment to our Atlanta community serves as an expression of Beth Jacob highest ideals.

BUSINESS & MEMBER DIRECTORY

This is the "go to" guide for Beth Jacob members. It includes business ads, personal messages to our honorees, a member directory, calendar, and more! It will be distributed at the Dinner of Honor.

To place an ad or message in the directory, please fill out the form online at bethjacobatlanta.org/dinnerofhonor or contact Harvey Steele (404) 633-0551.

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Event sponsorships will be displayed at the dinner.

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5:30PM • HORS D'OEUVRES

6:00PM • DINNER

9:00PM • MAARIV

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The holiday of Chanukah provides the perfect backdrop for the Beth Jacob Rededication campaign. We are all familiar with the details of how the Jews took up arms against a superior Greek-Syrian army and with Hashem's help defeated them, and took control of the Bais Hamikdash, the holy Temple. The Jews had trust and faith in Hashem and therefore ignored the odds makers of their day who told them they had no chance to be successful.

Instead of concentrating on the seemingly impossible task at hand, they acted on their faith and overcame tremendous obstacles. Their guiding principle during this time was kiddush Hashem, the sanctification of G-d's name. As members of Beth Jacob, what we can take away from Chanukah's lesson is not to give up when sanctification of G-d's name is the reason for our struggle, no matter what it is. As Beth Jacob begins the final phase of its fundraising campaign, we should all keep the lesson of Chanukah in the forefront. Raising the money to complete our holy task of the Rededication project has been a daunting task, as we all are responsible for family obligations. However, if we keep in mind the larger picture that our Sanctuary is the place where we come to pray together, and by doing so we bring honor and glory to Hashem's name, then when we contemplate how much we can afford to donate to this holy cause, we will have the strength to dig deep into our pockets to support this effort.

I am heartened and made joyous by coming into contact with so many people who so very obviously love and care for the Shul with so much passion. Every one of you truly inspires me.



STAFF MEMBER NEWS!



Jana Lynn
Accountant

WELCOME! An Atlanta native, Jana brings a wealth of experience in accounting, reporting, financial analysis, and auditing. She gained her experience at Arthur Andersen LLP; entertainment company ABC, Inc.; March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation; and most recently her family-owned real estate investment company. Jana's regular work schedule will be 9:00am - 3:00pm and can be reached at jlenn@bethjacobatlanta.org or by calling (678) 244-6655.



Ryan Langlinais
*Interim Facilities
Supervisor*

An Louisiana native, Ryan has been with the Beth Jacob Facilities Team for over 5 years. Ryan has been asked to take charge of the facilities on an interim basis. Ryan can be reached at rlanglinais@bethjacobatlanta.org or by calling (404) 633-0551 ext. 249.

ENHANCING OUR SAFETY & SECURITY

HARVEY STEELE

Executive Director



“Our tightest security comes when you participate in maintaining our readiness through your choices and actions on a day to day basis.”

Security continues to be a hot topic. Terrorism continues unabated around the world. The events in Israel over the summer were accompanied by a rise in anti-Semitism. Attacks periodically take place all too frequently on Jewish institutions. A massacre took place in Har Nof, Jerusalem the morning this article was written.

At Beth Jacob we are better prepared than we were two years ago. We have been participating in quarterly security meetings held by Dick Raisler, Director of Community-Wide Security for the Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta, to get training and security-related updates. An initial set of incident response protocols was developed by the office staff. An off-duty police officer is once again on duty on our campus on Shabbos and Yom Tov, with a second officer present for Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and major events. Our security camera system went through a major upgrade to state-of-the-art digital cameras this summer using Homeland Security Grant funds. We will continue to focus on changes we can make and steps we can take to increase our preparedness in the areas of security and incident management.

That said, there is a limit to what the office staff can accomplish on its own. Our tightest security comes when you participate in maintaining our readiness through your choices and actions on a day to day basis. Following are steps you can take to help protect us all.

When entering our building through a locked door by entering a security code into a keypad, do not allow strangers to follow you through, even if they appear to be “members of the tribe.” Explain that we have security protocols in place which are for their benefit and ours. Ask them to ring the bell to request admission by the office staff. (Note: Our member security code will be changed effective January 1, 2015. Members will be notified about the new code.)

Refrain from propping open any locked door in the building, whether an outside door or an internal door, at any time, for any reason, including on Shabbos and Yom Tov when some external doors are kept unlocked. Trust the office staff that if a door is kept locked it is for a reason. Saving one or even many people a short walk to reach an open door is not a justification for compromising the safety and security of all of our members and guests. If you see that a door is propped open, take a moment to protect all of us by removing the prop and closing the door.

If you see someone you do not recognize on our premises, approach and speak to him. Do not be confrontational; rather, offer to help. Say, for example, “Hi! You look like you are lost. Can I help you find something?” If the person has impure intentions, he will now be aware that he has been noticed and recognized. If the person gives a valid reason for being in the building, you may want to walk him to his destination. If he responds, “I am new here and just want to look through your building,” have him check in with the office staff. If it is outside of office hours, apologize and explain that for security reasons he will need to come back when office staff is present.

When you hear a fire alarm, exit the building immediately. This should be done instinctively. There have been alarms and emergencies in the past two years in which people did not exit the building promptly. Some tried to justify this behavior on the premise that there have been “too many” false alarms. The question of whether the frequency of false alarms we experience is too high given the complexity of our fire alarm system and a number of other factors is debatable; it is also irrelevant. When you hear a fire alarm you should exit the building immediately even if you know there was a false alarm yesterday or that the alarm system has been experiencing problems recently. It is far better to give up a few minutes of Torah learning or another activity than to take a small risk of getting injured or, G-d forbid, losing your life.

Make proper use of Beth Jacob’s parking lot. Park your car only in spaces specifically designated and marked for parking. Parking elsewhere may increase danger in an emergency by impeding access of first responders. It may also signal to outsiders that our members do not respect, value and honor our facility as a house of G-d. If you cannot locate an appropriate parking spot or are running late, park farther away and plan to come a few minutes earlier the next time.

No set of precautions can absolutely guarantee our safety and security, but if each of us does his part, we will minimize our risk on the factors we can impact.



GROWING OUR BJ FAMILY

Harry Portman
Membership Trustee



Welcome
Glad you're here!

Welcome to our Newest Members!

Boaz & Revital Buhnik

Daniel & Yael Malka Loren

David & Rachel Rabin

Avraham & Rivka Schlager

As the new chair of Beth Jacob's Membership and Community Relations Committee, I am eager to serve our shul and help its membership grow and flourish. My wife Elana and I moved to Atlanta and joined Beth Jacob in June 2013, so we know exactly how it feels to be the new faces in town. With the help of my committee members, I have initiated a two-part strategy that will benefit new members as well as encourage prospective members who are checking out Atlanta as their next potential home.

Being the newcomer to Beth Jacob can be hard. Meeting so many people (and trying to remember their names), figuring out which minyan to attend, and discovering where you fit in our large, diverse congregation. The Membership committee is now working with new members for the first year after they join Beth Jacob, checking in on them periodically to see how things are going and to find out if there is anything that we, or the shul at large, can help them with. Whether it's a finding a chevrusa or meeting members of a similar profession, we're here to support the new members in any way we can. You may have seen our announcement emails that welcome our newest members and encourage everyone to invite them over for a Shabbos meal to give them a taste of our famous Beth Jacob Southern hospitality. If you haven't yet had a chance to meet our newest members and would like to get to know them better, please contact the shul office to get their information and offer them a Shabbos invitation!

We are also formulating a system for out-of-towners who are looking into Atlanta and Beth Jacob as their new potential home and congregation. In the past, people visiting the shul from out of town often stay with a friend (or a friend-of-a-friend), and end up with a limited exposure to all the wonderful things our community has to offer because they haven't taken advantage of all the resources our shul has to offer. Whether it's scheduling a meeting to get to know Rabbi Feldman or Rabbi Freundlich, meeting members with similarly aged children, or speaking to Beth Jacob members who share the same professional field and might have a job contact, we want to use all of our means to maximize their (often) short visit and help them make their trip as fruitful and productive as it can be. The more we can do for them, the more likely they are to select Atlanta and Beth Jacob as their next community.

In order for us to succeed in these endeavors, the Membership Committee needs YOUR help! You can join the committee to be directly involved in



planning, offer to be a professional contact or home hospitality host for out-of-town prospective members, volunteer to be a "buddy" family for a newly joined family and help them learn everything there is to know about Beth Jacob.

When you find out about a potential new member (or family) visiting Atlanta, let us know! We want to help in any way we can, but we can only do that if we know we have guests on their way. This past summer alone, over half a dozen prospective newcomers visited Beth Jacob, and we only met them in shul on Shabbos. Please keep the Membership Committee and the shul informed about out-of-towners spending time in Atlanta and checking out Beth Jacob so we can welcome them with open arms.

I look forward to meeting and getting to know both newer and older members at Beth Jacob as we all strive together to make our community the best it can be. I am happy to hear any concerns, compliments or suggestions from you, our members, and bring them before the board. You can reach me by email at harryportman@gmail.com.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS



Krispy Kreme Donut Sale

Just in time for the first night of Chanukah! Pick up your delicious donuts on December 16th in the Preschool wing and help support the preschool! \$8.00 per dozen. Order online at bethjacobatlanta.org/donuts.

The Amram Hillel Feldman Memorial Lecture

Monday, December 1st / 7:30 - 8:45pm Lecture, followed by a coffee break, then from 9:00pm - 9:45pm informal dialogue with Rabbis Feldman on issues of the day.

In a special session of Beth Jacob's ESSENTIALS series, the Amram Institute presents Rabbi Emanuel Feldman and Rabbi Ilan D. Feldman discussing: Torah Study: The Foundation of Jewish Life. This lecture is dedicated in memory of Amram Hillel Feldman, z"l, son of Rabbi Emanuel & Estelle Feldman and brother of Rabbi Ilan Feldman. There is no cost to attend and is open to all.

Beth Jacob Atlanta & Young Israel of Toco Hills Sisterhoods present a Bake & Take with World Renowned Baker Paula Shoyer.

Monday, December 8th / 7:30pm / Heritage Hall. \$25 per person / \$75.00 preferred seating and copy of her cookbook The Holiday Kosher Baker, \$150.00 preferred seating, copy of her cookbook The Holiday Kosher Baker and spend the day baking with Paula. Register online at bethjacobatlanta.org/bakeandtake.

Paula Shoyer is a pastry chef who owns and operates Paula's Parisian Pastries Cooking School in Chevy Chase, Maryland. She received her pastry diploma from the Ritz Escoffier Ecole de Gastronomie Francaise in Paris, France in 1996. She is the author of The Kosher Baker: 160 dairy-free desserts from traditional to trendy (Brandeis University Press, August 2010).

New BENA Program - Inch by Inch

Thursday, December 11th / 8:00pm / Conference Room.

An ongoing personal and spiritual growth program through the mitzvah of tznuyus for women of all ages and backgrounds. Classes will include inspiration, encouragement, practical ideas and halacha with a focus on reaching each participant at her level and maximizing our potential and power as Jewish women. Classes will be led by Mrs. Esther Pransky via teleconference. To register and receive information on how to call in, contact Leah Shifrin at ishifrin@gmail.com.

Chanukah Shiur - What Role do Miracles Play in Jewish Life? with Rabbi Yechezkel Freundlich

Monday, December 15th / 7:30pm / Heritage Hall / For Men & Women

The Ramban (Nachmanides) states that G-d's ideal *modus operandi* is to run the world minimizing overt miracles. The world was created with a natural order and G-d chooses to function within it (Bereishis 6:19). Chanukah, clearly, is different. Not only did G-d perform an obvious miracle (oil burned for 8 days), the miracle was completely unnecessary (they would have been permitted to use unclean oil), and the entire Holiday is dedicated to publicizing its occurrence. Why is this miracle different from all other miracles? (This class is part of the Essentials course and will be open to the public in preparation for Chanukah).

Yarchei Kallah

Thursday, December 25th and Friday, December 26th / 8:45am Light breakfast in the BJ Board Room, 9:15am Prepare source material with the Kollel Rabbis, 10:00-10:45am Shiur

Start your days off with a daily dose of Torah and still have the rest of the day for family time! Topics Dec. 25th "Merry December 25th!" - Can I say the word "xmas"? Dec. 26th Wishing Happy Holiday and Giving Gifts to Non-Jews in Late December

Finding Love & Intimacy in Marriage with Mrs. Miriam Feldman for women married 10 years or less

Wednesday, January 7th / 8:30 pm / At the home of Sara Davis 1375 Biltmore Drive

Finding Love & Intimacy in Marriage Part 2 with Mrs. Miriam Feldman for women married 10 years or more

Wednesday, January 14th / Location TBA

Scholar-In-Residence: Rabbi Roy & Leah Neuberger

Shabbos, January 17, 2015

Rabbi Roy is the author of three books, From Central Park to Sinai: How I Found My Jewish Soul, Worldstorm: Finding Meaning & Direction Amidst Today's World Crisis, and 2020 Vision. Leah Neuberger was raised in Long Island, the product of an assimilated family for whom Jewish observance was a relic of the past. After years of an "American" childhood, attending the finest schools, she and her husband Roy felt there must be more to life. Rabbi Roy's book, From Central Park to Sinai: How I Found My Jewish Soul, recounts their spiritual journey. Besides speaking, Leah instructs kallahs (prospective brides) and works on shidduchim (setting up dates for singles). Leah and Roy have spoken extensively since 2000 – both separately and together – throughout the United States, Canada, England and Israel, where their story has evoked wide and heartfelt response.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Aishes Chayil Program

Sunday nights, January - April / 8:00-9:00 pm

Calling all pre-Bas Mitzvah girls turning 12 between 12/31/14 - 12/31/15! Join Mrs. Randee Goldberger for a 10-part series, covering a different Mitzvah each week learning how it pertains to a new Bas Mitzvah age girl. The goal of this class is to help the Bas Mitzvah develop a confident Torah perspective of her role, both personally and communally as a Jewish woman. There will be hands-on projects, discussion groups, a kosher scavenger hunt and final celebratory program at Beth Jacob with a certificate and gift presented by Rabbi Ilan D. Feldman. (\$100 fee; contact Mrs. Goldberger at RandeeGoldberger@atlantakollel.org)

Teen Shabbos Programming

Open to all High School Students. For more information contact Rabbi Yechezkel and Rifki Freundlich. After the Teen Minyan join us for a Kiddush, speaker and lunch!

- December Teen Chesed Project
- January 17th – Shabbos Lunch
- February 21st – Shabbos Lunch

Can't We Talk About Something More Pleasant? A Cartoonist's Funny, Heartbreaking Take On Caring For Aging Parents (Episode from NPR's Fresh Air)

Sunday, January 11th / Location TBA

It's never easy to talk with aging parents about the end of life. It was particularly difficult for Roz Chast and her parents, which is why her new graphic memoir is called Can't We Talk About Something More Pleasant? Chast is one of The New Yorker's most popular cartoonists, known for depicting anxieties, insecurities and neuroses. Her memoir combines text, cartoons, sketches and photos to describe her interactions with her parents during the last years of their lives, when their mental and physical health were deteriorating and they became incapable of living alone. Her book is funny, heartbreaking and unflinching in dealing with her parents' stubbornness and denial as they became frail, and her own feelings of guilt that no matter what she did she wasn't doing enough to help them. The book begins when her parents were still living in the Brooklyn apartment where she grew up, and follows them as they move into assisted living, have repeated stays in the hospital and finally are moved into hospice. Her mother outlived her father and died in 2009 at the age of 97.

BENA & BJ Presents: Women's Rosh Chodesh Shabbos Shiurs

Come enjoy a Rosh Chodesh themed shiur at host homes in the community.

- Tevet - December 20th, Given by Batsheva Gelbtuch, at the home of Martine Gershon, 1119 Empire Road
- Shevat - January 17th, Given by Sonia Hoffman, at the home of Jennifer Green, 1198 Arborvista Drive
- Adar - February 21st, Given by Rifki Freundlich, at the home of Wendy Solon, 1113 Houston Mill Road

LEGACY FUND

Planting Seeds for the Future



Beth Jacob Legacy Fund, Inc. provides an endowment for the current and future needs of our congregation. This fund is a cushion against financial uncertainty and supports future growth and development. Just as a family's savings provides security and opportunity, the Legacy Fund paves the way for a more secure tomorrow. As the Legacy Fund grows, it will be an important guarantee of a vibrant future for Beth Jacob in the decades ahead.

To do your part in securing Beth Jacob's future, please contact Ms. Zahava Kurland at 404.633.0551 or by email at legacy@bethjacobatlanta.org.



FEEDING OUR TROOPS, FILLING OUR HEARTS

Burt Wittenberg

Doreen and I just returned from Israel after volunteering with the Staying Strong program, an organization that arranges to feed the Israeli troops in smaller army bases.

Doreen and I have been blessed to have traveled to Israel many times in the past, B"H, but this trip will go down as one of the top people and spiritual visits that we have ever made. Andy and Sydney Lewis and three of their boys joined us on this amazing trip. Our volunteering started by meeting the food truck in Jerusalem. We then drove 40 minutes to Area A near Bet Jayla (Bethlehem) and entered a very secure army post, set up the truck and started cooking hot dogs. The troops came out in small groups to eat. These boys, I call them that as they are young enough to be our children and grandchildren, are dedicated to the protection and safety of the people of Israel.

While they ate hot dogs, pickles and ice pops for dessert, we spent 2 hours talking and thanking them. What was interesting to us is that there was no hate or dread of the Arabs from the soldiers. Their only desire is to protect our people and they will go to any length to do that. Some of the soldiers we met served in Gaza during the last war and some were getting discharged soon. The soldiers kept thanking and thanking us. The soldiers were concerned about how they were viewed by Americans Jews and gentiles. They were worried people would only believe what the cable news network showed. We assured them that most Americans fully supported the right of self-defense and were not taken in by the false propaganda of the networks. It was an incredible experience and if you are traveling to Israel soon I would encourage you to participate in this program. To find out more information about Staying Strong, go to www.stogether.org.



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BETH JACOB PRESCHOOL DID YOU KNOW?

MINDY TANENBAUM

Preschool Director

SAVE-THE-DATE:

Wednesday, April 29th

**BJ Preschool Blooming
Artists Art Auction!**

7:30pm, Heritage Hall

An evening with desserts, wine and good friends, a beautiful fundraiser, but that's not the end. Students of all ages have been working hard at BJ, unique artwork from the children will be on display. Donations to the Preschool with specialty art in return, plus silent and live auctions offer prizes and masterpieces to earn. Save the date, arrange a sitter, and get ready to have fun, help raise funds for Beth Jacob Preschool to benefit everyone!



Did you know these facts about Beth Jacob Preschool?

☺ Beth Jacob Preschool has 9 classes- an infant room, a one year old class, a toddler class, 2 two year old classes, 2 three year old classes, and 2 Pre-K classes.

☺ We offer extended care hours in addition to our half day, and full day programs. We begin as early as 7:30am and end as late as 5:30pm to meet the needs of working parents.

☺ All of our lead teachers and many of our assistants have a bachelors or associates degree in Early Childhood Education or Child Development. Every teacher takes 10 hours or more of continuing education classes each year.

☺ We approach learning through multi-sensory activities to reach all the different ways young children learn. We expand on real-life experiences guided by a Project Approach philosophy; all integrated with a Judaic curriculum. Our Pre-k classes use the Handwriting Without Tears program as an aid for learning their letters.

☺ We, Baruch Hashem, have almost 100 wonderful children enrolled in the preschool.

☺ We operate on a rolling enrollment throughout the year and have just a few spaces remaining in our one year old, toddler, and threes classes.

☺ Included in our curriculum is Music enrichment and Playball, a gross motor enrichment program.

☺ Each week we host 2 lively Shabbos Parties, our youngest classes join together for a ruach-filled Shabbos sing-a-long, while our threes and Pre-K classes have story time from one of the rabbis, enjoy our Ima and Aba program where we invite parents, grandparents, or special guests to join us as they participate in a spirited Shabbos sing-a-long, too.

☺ Our highlights from the fall include: Over 150 parents and children attended our Pizza in the Hut Succos Party which included a concert with Mr. Michael, a Petting Zoo during the week of Parshas Noach, inspired by Parshas Lech Lecha we made sure to "go" during Bike Day and loved seeing and learning about Dr. Goldstein's scooter/ "motorcycle", inviting our fathers to join us for a morning in the preschool during Donuts with Dad, planting fall vegetables in our school garden, learning about the changing seasons and investigating all aspects of fall.

☺ We offer 3 afterschool programs that are open to the community (ages 3-5): My Gym Gymnastics, My Gym Karate, and Ballet/Tap (2 classes: 3-5yr olds & Kindergarten and 1st graders). Contact Mindy for registration information.

☺ Enrollment for the next school year (2014-2015) will begin at the end of January. Currently enrolled families will have a week of priority registration, after which we welcome new families to enroll. Exact enrollment dates will be posted in the Shabbos flier.

☺ If you are interested in learning more about our loving and enriching Preschool, please contact Mindy Tanenbaum at 678-244-6649 or by email at mtanenbaum@bethjacobatlanta.org.



WITHIN

BETH JACOB

BIRTHS

- Neal and Sara Davis on the birth of their son, Doniel Meyer, and to grandparents Rabbi Norman and Lydia Schloss
- Rabbi Menachem and Dena Deutsch on the birth of a grandson, born to Michael and Beatie Deutsch in Jerusalem
- Rabbi Daniel and Bluma Estreicher on the birth of their granddaughter, Esther Gittel, born to Baruch and Brachi Rosenberg of Jerusalem
- Janie Feldman on the birth of a granddaughter, born to Doniel and Shayna Feldman in Jerusalem
- Rabbi Daniel and Rivka Freitag on the birth of a son
- David and Ruth Goldstein and Michael and Dr. Dianne Leader on the birth of their granddaughter, Aria Sarit, born to Yoni Kaplan and Eliana Leader
- Dr. Michael and Rhonda Graiser on the birth of a grandson born to Simcha and Esther Beller in Southfield, MI
- Dr. Sanford and Deborah Hartman on the birth of their granddaughter, Libby, born to Noah and Anna Hartman in Massachusetts
- Walt and Rivka Iacullo on the birth of a son
- Robert and Shoshana Jeter on the birth of a granddaughter, born to Joseph and Tova Jeter in Florida
- Noach and Kayla Levin on the birth of a son, and to grandparents Rich and Chava Levin
- Moshe and Diane Manheim on the birth of a grandson, born to Moshe and Shira Kasser in Rehovot
- Ed and Anita Nemeth on the birth of a great-granddaughter, born to Eli and Elisheva Hanson in Rechava, Jerusalem, and to grandparents Rabbi Shai and Dr. Paula Gorlin
- Yossi and Jill Ovadia on the birth of a granddaughter to Tal and Jessi Ovadia, and to great-grandmother Gert Friedman
- Dan and Michaela Perez on the birth of their son, Yosef
- Rabbi Israel and Susan Robinson on the birth of a granddaughter, born to Tani Palefski and Goldie Robinson
- Paul and Ilana Shenk on the birth of their granddaughter, Shaindel Malka, born to Binyamin and Avital Goetz in Baltimore, and to great-grandfather Jack Shenk

- Rabbi Russ and Esther Shulkes on the birth of a daughter
- Rabbi David and Julie Silverman on the birth of twin grandsons, born to Shneur Zvi and Miriam Silverman in Dallas
- Dr. Tom and Judy Spira on the birth of a grandson, born to Moshe and Chavi Spira in New York
- Rabbi Reuven and Rachel Stein on the birth of a grandson to Yaakov and Estie Stein of Lakewood; and on the birth of a grandson, born in Cleveland.
- Dr. Marty Stub and Terry Eden on the birth of a grandson, born to Zvi and Adina Sarah Hermon in Mivaseret, Israel
- Terry and Jan Tenenbaum on the birth of a grandson, born to Adam and Stacy Blaiss
- Suzan Tibor on the birth of her great-granddaughter, Ella, born to Harel and Shira Dan in Jerusalem, and to grandparents Steve and Heleen Grossman

ENGAGEMENTS & MARRIAGES

- Rabbi Ariel and Michele Asa on the marriage of their daughter, Devorah, to Yaakov Yitzchak Nelkin of Baltimore
- Rabbi Michael and Ellie Berger on the engagement of their son, Akiva, to Gabrielle Hiller, daughter of Oren and Janis Hiller of Fairlawn, NJ
- Dr. Rivka Chasya Farhi on the engagement of her daughter, Ariella "Rella" Abramowsky, to Yoni Eisenbach, son of Rabbi Daniel and Stephanie Eisenbach of Brooklyn
- Rabbi Ilan and Miriam Feldman on the marriage of their daughter, Chaya Menucha, to Josh Wohlfarth, son of Fred and Stella Wohlfarth of Los Angeles; and to great-grandparents Rabbi Emanuel and Estelle Feldman
- Dr. Raphael and Martine Gershon on the engagement of their daughter, Yael, to Yonasan Korman, son of Debbie Korman of Chicago and the late Ira Korman
- David and Ruth Goldstein on the engagement of their daughter, Brooke Kaplan, to Pesach Baral, son of Elliott and Dr. Irene Baral of Chicago
- Henry and Shoshana Kagan on the engagement of their son, Simcha, to Nikki Guralnik of Jerusalem
- Rabbi Doniel and Esther Pransky on the engagement of their daughter, Chaya Miriam, to Yosef Nochomovitz of Baltimore
- Beruriah Sawyer on the marriage of her son, Dovid, to Shira Chana Fichtenbaum of Manhattan

- Steve and Pearl Schaikewitz on the engagement of their daughter, Mia, to David Labowitz of Los Angeles
- Jan and Rachael Siegelman on the marriage of their daughter, Rina Chaya, to Mickey Lebovic, son of Stanley and Linda Lebovic of Baltimore

CONDOLENCES

- The family of Janice Gavant
- Rick Halpern on the loss of his mother, Shirley Halpern
- The family of Joe Hershey
- Dr. Gerald Hoffman on the loss of his wife, Lena Hoffman
- Linda Knight on the loss of her husband, Bill Knight
- Jerry Neidich on the loss of his wife, Maxine Neidich
- Hadassah Prankratz on the loss of her brother, Caleb James Batson
- Steven Rosenthal on the loss of his father, Irving Rosenthal
- Dr. R. Monroe Schwartz on the loss of his wife, Ilse Schwartz
- Rabbi Yaakov Welfeld on the loss of his father, Irving Welfeld

UPCOMING BAR MITZVAHS

- January 3 - Yehuda Deutsch and Joseph Vogel
- January 20 - Paysach Feldman
- February 21- Emanuel Glinsky
- March 14- Binyamin Freundlich
- March 21 - Jacob Botnick

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

IN HONOR OF

- Joseph Arbiser on his Bar Mitzvah: Glenn Cohen & Lynn Patillo
- Rabbi Ariel & Michele Asa on the marriage of their daughter, Devorah to Yaakov Yitzchak Nelkin: Victor & Nelda Rousso
- Dr. Edward Berger for his overwhelming care and kindness: Jeff & Channah Garfinkel
- Larry & Eleanor Bogart to thank them for their kindness: Dr. Allen & Shelley Shaw
- Rabbi Yehuda & Devorah Boroosan on the birth of their grandson: Rick & Tracy Rosenthal
- Rabbi Mordechai & Naomi Cohen on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Yaakov Meir: Kate Fishbein, Victor & Nelda Rousso
- Brad & Rivka Elbein: Dr. Stan & Sharon Harris
- Chaya Menucha Feldman on her marriage: Harriet Cortell, Sam & Eddie Dressler, Dr. Sanford & Deborah Hartman, Drs. Jeff & Adina Jagoda, Ronda Robinson
- Rabbi Ilan & Miriam Feldman on the birth of their grandson: Mickey & Marilyn Steinberg
- Rabbi & Miriam Feldman: Kara Tanenbaum
- Janie Feldman on the birth of her granddaughter: Larry & Leslie Krasner
- Judy Garber: Sallie Boyles
- Adam & Robyn Grossblatt: Bruce & Sheryl Jones and family
- Dr. Stan & Sharon Harris on the Bar mitzvah of their grandson: Dr. Allen & Shelley Shaw
- Yosef & Sonia Hoffman: Michael Felder
- Eliza Grace Howard on her 1st birthday: Carole Feinberg
- Henry & Shoshana Kagan on the engagement of their son Simcha: Dr. Rafael Harpaz & Dr. Elizabeth Herman
- Rabbi David & Devorah Kapenstein on the marriage of their son, Hillel to Rivky Plittman: Dr. Rivkah Chasya Farhi, Dr. Sanford & Deborah Hartman, Andrew & Sydney Lewis and family
- Sanford Karesh on his birthday: Donald & Sheila Minsk
- Rabbi Shmuel & Helen Khoshkerman on

the marriage of their son Yakov to Nechama: Andy & Sydney Lewis and family

- Jonathan Klein: Rabbi Zvi & Chana Shapiro
- Myrna Klinger: Herman & Dottie Lischkoff
- Deena Koniver: Herman & Dottie Lischkoff
- Ira & Sandy Leff: Kara Tanenbaum
- Dr. Allen & Judy Lipis in thanks for their "Bamboo Forest": Harry & Jean Robbins
- Judy Lipis: Rabbi Zvi & Chana Shapiro
- Loretta Love: Ron & Maddy Urken
- Moshe & Diane Manheim on the birth of their grandson: Rafael Harpaz & Dr. Elizabeth Herman, Robert & Cathy Kahn
- Paul Miller: Rabbi Zvi & Chana Shapiro
- Rabbi Doniel & Esther Pransky and family: Kate Fishbein
- Victor & Nelda Rousso: Herman & Dottie Lischkoff
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- Rabbi Zvi & Chana Shapiro: Dr. Stan & Sharon Harris
- Paul & Ilana Shenk (The wonderful Shenk family): Manuela Bornstein
- Gerald & Cynthia Shulman on the birth of their grandson: Dr. Allen & Shelley Shaw
- Michael & Dawn Siegel on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Josh: David & Esther Antopolsky
- Dr. Tom & Judy Spira on "all the Mazel Tovs": Drs. Jeff & Adina Jagoda
- Rachel Stein on her 7th book publication: Victor & Nelda Rousso
- Marty Stub on his grandson: Neal & Gail Mandelbaum
- Frank & Gail Vexler on the marriage of their son Josh to Shana LaVine: Lucy Carson, Victor & Nelda Rousso
- Jack & Pam Williams: Bruce & Sheryl Jones and family
- Nate Williams on joining the IDF in Israel: Arnie & Marcy Schneider
- Burt & Doreen Wittenberg: Herman & Dottie Lishkoff

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- Shira Malka Asherman: Myrna Klinger
- Larry Beck: Dr. Allan & Sheila Bleich, Michael & Sara Carter
- Morris Bellman: Deena Koniver
- Herman & Dottie Lischkoff: Myrna Klinger, Deena Koniver
- Si Londe: Allan & Roberta Scher
- Jill Ovadia: Gloria Goldberg
- Michele Scheer: Myrna Klinger

- Jane Scheinfeld: Myrna & the Klinger family
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- Sabina Szlam: Dr. Allan & Sheila Bleich

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- Mildred Diamond: Chuck & Leslie Lowenstein
- Nette Diamond (Faye Esral's mother): Abe & Faye Esral
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- Maxine Neidich: Deena Koniver, Goldie Weinstein
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- Mollie Rogin (Gail Rogin's mother): Brian Cohen
- John Rosenfelder: Regine Rosenfelder
- Steve Rosenthal's father: Andrew & Sydney Lewis and family
- Rabbi Shraga Silverstein: Drs. David & Debbie Mitchell
- Gedalya Silverstein's father: Victor & Nelda Rousso
- Henry Taylor (Sandy Leff's brother): Ira & Sandy Leff
- David Weinstein (Julie Weinmann's father): Rabbi Gavriel & Gavriella Bachrach & family

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Friday	Parshas	Candle Lighting	Friday Mincha	Shabbos Mincha	Shabbos Ends	Weekday Mincha
Dec 5	Vayishlach	5:10PM	5:10PM	4:50PM	6:04PM	5:10PM
Dec 12	Vayeishev	5:11PM	5:10PM	4:50PM	6:05PM	5:15PM
Dec 19	Mikeitz	5:14PM	5:10PM	4:50PM	6:08PM	5:20PM
Dec 26	Vayigash	5:17PM	5:15PM	4:55PM	6:11PM	5:20PM
Jan 2	Vayechi	5:22PM	5:20PM	5:00PM	6:17PM	5:25PM
Jan 9	Shemos	5:28PM	5:25PM	5:05PM	6:23PM	5:35PM
Jan 16	Va'eira	5:35PM	5:30PM	5:15PM	6:29PM	5:40PM
Jan 23	Bo	5:41PM	5:40PM	5:20PM	6:36PM	5:45PM
Jan 30	Beshalach	5:48PM	5:45PM	5:25PM	6:43PM	5:55PM
Feb 6	Yisro	5:55PM	5:50PM	5:35PM	6:49PM	6:00PM
Feb 13	Mishpatim	6:02PM	6:00PM	5:40PM	6:56PM	6:05PM
Feb 20	Terumah	6:08PM	6:05PM	5:45PM	7:02PM	6:15PM
Feb 27	Tetzaveh	6:14PM	6:10PM	5:55PM	7:08PM	6:20PM