

# TouchPoints

---

NOVEMBER 23, 2022

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

OUR OFFICE AND PRESCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL MONDAY

## WHAT'S INSIDE:

FROM THE RABBI

SHABBAT AND DAILY MIINYAN

•

REFUAH SHELEIMA/SPEEDY RECOVERY

•

CLASSES THIS WEEK

•

Yahrzeits

•

GIFT SHOP

•

SECRETS OF THE LIGHT

•

MAH JONG/COMMITTEE

•

YOUNG PROFESSIONAL LUNCH

•

MENORAHS, MOCATO & MOCKTAILS

COHENS CUISINES CHINESE DINNER

## FROM THE RABBI

I hope that we are all looking forward to celebrating Thanksgiving as the important day that it is on the American calendar. There is wide ranging discussion among contemporary Jewish poskim and halachists about how Jews should (or should not) mark the holiday. I will be devoting the Shabbat afternoon class this week to this topic. I will show my hand right here and point out something that I saw only recently that impacts my approach to the holiday.

When our matriarch Leah gave birth to her fourth (and final) child, she said "Now I thank (odeh) God...and therefore will call him Judah (Yehudah)." The name Yehudah derives from the same root as odeh (and the same root as the familiar "todah – thank you"). We are Jews/Yehudim because of Judah/Yehudah. Offering thanks is part of our DNA, as it were. In fact, Jews have ritualized saying thank you by offering blessings. When we offer the morning blessings (Artsroll page 18) we are saying thank you to God for, among other things, enabling us to open our eyes, stand up straight, put our feet on the floor, have clothing to wear. When we say a blessing before eating we are thanking God for the food we are about to consume. When we say the Bircat Hamazon – Grace After Meals, we thank God again for the food provided by God's benevolence. We Jews are a thanking people. We should always thank God above for our many blessings. We should also be thankful for the people who love and support us in everything (or almost everything) we do.

Best wishes to all for a wonderful and meaningful Thanksgiving. Shabbat starts the next night...so Shabbat Shalom to you.

See you in shul!

*Rabbi Yaakov Chaitovsky*



# FRIDAY AND SHABBAT: NOVEMBER 25- 26/KISLEV 1-2

Candle Lighting 4:20 PM

Kabbalat Shabbat 4:20 PM in the Chapel

## Shabbat Morning Services:

Chapel/Shaaarei Simcha - 9:00 AM

Main Sanctuary - 9:45 AM

*Torah portion-Toldot- Genesis 25:19-28:9 (AS 125)*

*Haftorah-Malachi 1:1-2:7 (AS 1137)*

*Kiddush is sponsored by BMH-BJ*

*Joint BMH-BJ/TDK Mincha and Torah learning in the Chapel at 4:15 PM  
Shiur by Rabbi Chaitovsky – Fair Game or Fowl Territory – Jews and Thanksgiving*

**Shabbat ends/Havdalah 5:21 PM**

*Thank you to Susan and Mickey Greenberg for sponsoring kiddush last week  
in Shaarei Simcha in memory of David Nadle, Dovid ben Israel Hirsh, father  
of Susan Greenberg,*

## *Minyan This Week*

*Thursday \*Thanksgiving/Rosh Chodesh\* 8:30 AM*

*Friday \*Rosh Chodesh\* 6:30 AM*

*Next Week: Nov 27th-Dec 2nd*

*Sunday 8:30 AM*

*Monday & Thursday 6:30 AM*

*Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 6:45 AM*

*Attendance helps guarantee a minyan for those saying kaddish and is a  
great mitzvah! Come for minyan and stay for a cup of coffee and pastry.*

*Sponsored by BMH-BJ*

## ***Refuah Sheleima/Speedy Recovery***

Avraham Issur ben Chaya, Joe Bean (Yosef HaLevi ben Rachel),  
Avraham ben Sara, Bracha bat Basha, Esther bat Chana, Linda Fox,  
Jeff Geller, Linda Gornbein, Debbie Greenberg (Devorah Leah bat Ita Liba),  
Elaine Greenberg, Francine Greenberg (Feige Esther bat Ita Liba),  
Leib ben Chasha, Yitzchak ben Beile (Isaac Krajmalnik), Shraga Feivel ben  
Sima (Fabian Krajmalnik), Sharon Kahn Miller (Sara Gibora bat Feigel),  
Jeff and Miriam Miller, Mordechai Refael ben Perel, Barbara Oxman,  
Harold Rosen (Chaim Fidel ben Fruma), Rivka Aviva bat Esther,  
Ron Saliman, Lilian Schaeffer, Dr. William Silvers (Zev Shmuel  
Ben Heleina), Kenneth Solovy, Jay Stark, Yaakov ben Rivka, Pam Zeldin

## **Classes This Week**

**Daily - Daf Yomi - Rabbi Fleischmann – 7:30 AM/60 minutes**

after Shabbat on Saturday night

WhatsApp Dial in number: 701-802-5213 ; Access code: 8622667

Online meeting ID: mfleischmann7)

**Monday-Sefer haChinuch with Rabbi Stern 8 PM (Miller Library)**

**Tuesday-Parsha Problems -Rabbi Chaitovsky 7:15 PM(zoom) ON HIATUS**

**Wednesday-Devarim Verse by Verse Rabbi Chaitovsky 7:45 AM(zoom)**

**ON HIATUS**

[Click Here for Tues/Wed Zoom Link](#)

**Thursday – Ellyn Hutt - 11 AM (Zoom) - CLICK HERE ON HIATUS**

**Practical Parsha -**

**Shabbat morning at 10:30 AM with Sara Wolfe -Fisher Hall**

# Yahrzeits

## **Friday November 25, 2022 / 1 Kislev 5783**

Rose Barach, Golda Felsen, Samuel Friedman, Ida Hellerstein, Maria Hemd, Joyce Heyman, Bessie Hirsh, Kenneth Holzberg, Ellen Jackson, Klara Kapustina, Paul Karet, Benjamin Klotz, Dr. Joshua Mordecai Lee, Lois Miller, Ilya Rabinovich, Michael A. Sachs, Solomon Segal, Rae Shendelman, Alice Shore, Mary Rose Sunshine, Henry K. Szpigiel, Marilyn Tobin, Samuel J. Tipley Tobin

## **Shabbat November 26, 2022 / 2 Kislev 5783**

David Abosch, Gussie Smith Asarch, Sigmund Berkman, Harold Blitt, Stuart Cholfin, Khaya Dolgina, Jack Finkelstein, Zachary Adam Karsh, Celia Manassee, Irene Miller, Max Pepper, Mendel (Max) Perotin, Charlotte "Lottie" Rashky, Michael Schaffer, Marvin Tyor, Dr. Sydney A. Waldman, Riva Wechter, Joseph Wenner, Max Wiessenberger, Sol Zuckerman

## **Sunday November 27, 2022 / 3 Kislev 5783**

S. Morton Baker, Dr. Eli Bard, Sam Dunevitz, Lena Geller, Samuel Goldfarb, Bernard Greenberg, Jean Kauvar, Gerald Lande, Les Levitt, John Lissauer, Aaron Lutz, Rebecca Mandel, Tzegar Rabinovich, Dr. Elaine Rechter, Gertrude Schreiber, Joseph Alvin Shidler, Ida Slatkin, Sadie Veta, Shayna Lynn Wolf

## **Monday November 28, 2022 / 4 Kislev 5783**

Mollie Berman, Benjamin H. Brown, Jacob Burnstein, Leah Feldman, Sylvia Gold, Yocheved Howard, Norma Katz, Devora Ladmer, Dora Lonstein, Esfira Mendeleva, Richard Miller, Robert Perlman, Abe Saliman, Abraham Selig, Eric Treidel, Louis Witkin, Theodore Wolf, Dina Ben Yitzchak

## **Tuesday November 29, 2022 / 5 Kislev 5783**

Morris Bankirer, Ida Canges, Miriam Chotin, Dave Cohen, Edward Cohen, Esther Corske, Edith Edelstein, Rubin Eskanos, Rose Lee Ficks, Rose Flaxer, Dora Gegenberg, David Glikman, Abraham Goldberg, Irving Gordon, Harlene Selma Hatch, William "Vilu" Hochstadt, Steven Kamlet, Moses Lackner, Sherle Ruth Leaman, Sarra Lerner, Robert Levin, Raisa Leyferas, Samuel E. Liss, Rebecca Myers, Emily Pells, Maurice (Morey) Safer, Martha Sherman, Razel Silverberg, Shirley (Shirk) Steinberg, Stephen Steinberg, Abe Tockman, Fira Tselolikhina, Rozaliya Vaysbrod, Stanley Wandel, Jack Wiener

## **Wednesday November 30, 2022 / 6 Kislev 5783**

Nate Bobb, Sarah Buchwald, Goldye Fenster, Shirley Jean Folsom, Jacqueline Goodstein Friedman, Meyer Hellerstein, Sam Litvin Levine, Harry A. Marcove, Amelia Meyer, Lee Morein, Joe Rubin, Ruth Soltz, Bessie F. Stahl, Abraham Tannenbaum, Erna Tessler, Pearl Werber

## **Thursday December 1, 2022 / 7 Kislev 5783**

Neil Baumgarten, Moses Joseph Bilker, William Brody, Davis Cohen, Nathan Cohn, Samuel Dinin, Max Epstein, Elise Gruenewald, Samuel Horwitz, Walter Jonas, Anne Kahn, Rebecca Katz, Herman Lowenstein, Victor Magnus, Jerry Neiman, Joseph Oliner, Lottie Robinson, Freda Rose, David Rybakov, Semen Shteiman, Roza Shtelman, Marilyn J. Stein, Robert Waxman, Johanna Weisskopf, Marc Zelinger, Esther Ziskin, Louis Zouber, Joseph Zukerman





**Gift Shop Store Hours:**  
**Closed Thursday 11-24 and Friday 11-25**  
**Sunday-Friday 9:30 am-1:00 pm**  
**or by appointment by calling 303-951-8238**

# THE SECRET OF THE *Light*



**Wednesday Dec 14, 2022 at 7:30 pm**  
**in the BMH-BJ Gallery**

**A conversation with Rabbi Daniel Cohen about his latest book, *The Secret of the Light*, dedicated in memory of Cyril and Ethel Shraiberg, parents of our own Steve Shraiberg. Hailed as a must read, the *Secret of the Light* inspires hope, a deeper faith in God and ourselves, and the realization that no time, person or place is devoid of God's light. Refreshments will be served.**



# Mah Jong is coming to BMH-BJ

Drop-in games will begin after kiddush this Shabbat, at 1:00 PM and will continue every Shabbat unless otherwise stated.

All skill levels are welcome and if you've never played but have always wanted to learn, come and join us and we'll teach you!

Our tables are non-competitive and all genders and ages are welcome.

If you have a 2022 card or set, please bring them.

This week will be meeting in the Foyer.

**Do you have time on your hands?  
Looking for something fulfilling to do?**

**Join one of our many committees and  
make a difference.**

**If interested in helping with Membership,  
Finance, Chesed, Strategic Planning, Youth,  
Education, our Annual Event and many  
more.**

**Contact Ilene at 303-388-4203 or  
[director@bmh-bj.org](mailto:director@bmh-bj.org)**

# YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

C o m m u n i c a t i o n  
L u n c h



- Featuring a discussion on proper communication in all relationships, with Rabbi Leban
- Vegetarian Chili Bar
- \$12 a person



**Saturday December 10**  
**12:30 pm in Fisher Hall**



**560 S Monaco Pkwy, Denver, CO 80224**

BMH  BJ

[Click Here to register](#)







PRESENTS

# MENORAHS, MOSCATO & MOCKTAILS

Thursday

December 15, 2022

7:00 pm

BMH-BJ Fisher Hall

BMH-BJ welcomes you to a community wide build-your-own menorah event, featuring local artisans and the Women's League Gift Shop selling gifts for Chanukah.

**COHEN CUISINE AND BMH-BJ  
PRESENT TAKE-OUT  
CHINESE SHABBAT DINNER  
DECEMBER 23, 2022**



**Package includes:**

**Spicy Asian Bean Dip(GF & parve)**

*(homemade bean dip with sesame oil, soy sauce and Asian spices)*

**Chopped Asian Salad with Sesame Ginger Dressing(GF)**

*(shredded cabbage with carrots, peas and mandarin oranges in a tangy sesame ginger dressing)*

**OrangeChicken (GF)**

*(bite sized chicken dredged in gluten free flour with sautéed green and red peppers in an orange glaze)*

**Beef Stir Fry**

*(tender beef strips and Asian vegetables marinated in a teriyaki sauce)*

**Eggrolls with Dipping Sauce (2 per person -vegetarian, parve)**

*(homemade eggrolls with shredded cabbage and carrots marinated in a teriyaki sauce and fried)*

**Steamed White and Brown Rice (GF & parve)**

**steamed white and brown rice**

**2 Plain Challahs per family order**

**Fortune Cookies**

**ORDERS ONLY FOR COMPLETE DINNERS: \$38.75 per person**

**Orders are due by December 18th.**

**Pick up will be Friday, December 23rd between 11 & 1 outside the BMH-BJ kitchen. If no one is outside when you arrive, please call Marla at (303)-263-4755 and we'll be right out with your order**

**Under VAAD supervision**

**Order here:**

**<https://www.bmh-bj.org/event/Chinese%20Shabbat%20dinner>**