



The Menorah

President's Column: Jeff Davidson Responding to the Tragedy at Keshet Israel

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Our tradition values the strong bond between teacher and pupil, rabbi and *talmid*. The prototype is the priest Eli and his pupil, the prophet Samuel. Although Eli's actual sons turn evil, his spiritual son turns out to be a giant.

The violation of this bond has disturbed many of us, given the revelations coming out of Keshet Israel. Coupled with a strong sense of this being an immense *shanda fur di goyim*, I want to devote this column to how this sad story might affect TI.

I should stress that this is a hypothetical discussion and that there are no direct parallels at TI. It is based on a presentation I made to the TI Board and is certainly not a column I ever wanted or expected to write.

While the situation at Keshet does not directly affect us, there is no doubt a variety of psychic wear and tear on seeing synagogues, rabbis and Jewish practices in the headlines on an almost daily basis. Here is some of what I have learned:

Affected TI Members. A few TI women use the *mikvah* at Keshet. Rabbi Seidel has been in touch with them. A TI member who studied with Rabbi Freundel through the *Meah* program was disturbed that he studied *Humash* with an alleged pervert who betrayed the ethical teachings. I spoke with him extensively and Rabbi Seidel offered to counsel him, should he wish to.

For these members as well as others in the community, a number of resources exist. JSSA has mobilized a team to address the needs of affected individuals who might benefit from talking with a professional therapist. Suzanne Adelman is the director of this effort for JSSA. She may be

reached at 301-816-2683 or at sadelman@jssa.org.

For those seeking information about the legal proceedings or who might wish to contact law enforcement personnel, I am told the best site is a page put up by Keshet. It is www.keshet.org/post_arrest_resources.

Mikvah Resources. A recommended resource is www.mayimhayim.org. This is an organization based in Newton, MA, which is concerned with bringing *mikvah* use into the 21st century.

Another helpful resource is Hinda Eisen Labovitz, a cantor/educator at Ohr Kodesh. She worked as a *mikvah* lady earlier in her career. She has promised to accompany any women who may be concerned about using the *mikvah*. She can answer questions and let anyone know when a *mikvah* can be used without an attendant. Cantor Labovitz can be reached at 240-450-3485 or at cantorlabovitz@ohrkodesh.org. One need not be an Ohr Kodesh member to seek her help.

Children. I at first thought we should convene a meeting with TI school staff or child psychologists to learning how best to talk with children about the news. However, Rabbi Seidel and Eitan Gutin convinced me that such a session is not needed. Children are not reading the newspaper accounts as we are and there is not a fascination with the case.

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President's Column (continued)

Many of our children have studied with or know Mrs. Freundel, who is Director of Jewish Studies at JPDS, and who has taken leave from her job. A number of parents wanted to send notes of support or concern to Mrs. Freundel, but my contacts at JSSA recommended that unless you had a strong pre-existing relationship with Mrs. Freundel, it is best to respect her need for privacy at this time. JPDS will collect and forward notes to her. Just drop them off at the school office.

Judy Herzog, one of our board members, is an experienced school psychologist. I have asked her to provide guidelines to parents for discussing this issue and determining whether to pursue professional assistance for their child.

TI Systems in Place. TI has a number of procedures to safeguard the community. Eitan, the school and the

youth programs follow rules established by the USY. They appear to be fairly stringent and cover behaviors such as smoking, drug and alcohol use and the prevention of even the appearance of sexual misconduct. I will be happy to provide a copy to anyone upon request.

We have two programs to deal with any questions about the rabbi's conduct. John List, our financial Vice President, audits the rabbi's discretionary fund to assure that everything is above board while safeguarding confidentiality. The Board also voted to re-establish the Clergy Consultative Committee, chaired by Dick Siegel. This committee will collect compliments and complaints about the rabbi and review them with him on a regular basis. Debbie Pomerance will set up mailboxes so the emails can be sent to the committee and the addresses will be publicized when appropriate.

Liability and Insurance Concerns. I consulted with our insurance broker, who follows the model synagogue policy arranged by the United Synagogue. We have two relevant areas of coverage. We are covered up to \$1 million for any incident of sexual malfeasance by any Synagogue staff member, and for any act of clergy malpractice. Our broker thought there was no need for any additional coverage.

Other Possible Action Needed. The Board was divided on whether the rabbi's office should have a window. The concern, of course, would be to protect confidentiality. A majority of the Board was not convinced of the need. Secondly, a Board member with a background in HR law, will present a model policy for background checks and how they should be used. It seems likely that we will adopt some of these recommendations.

Differences between TI and Keshet. TI differs from Keshet in a number of important ways. We have much more shared governance than is typical in many Orthodox congregations. We have a strong and large cohort of learned, assertive and active women. The passive acceptance at Keshet of some of the alleged behaviors would be difficult to impossible here. We also handle conversions on a very different basis. Conversions are not a profit center for us and we have many examples of converts leading our community in different ways.

We have access to *Vad HaKavod*, the committee set up within the Rabbinical Assembly to deal with complaints about RA rabbis. Complaints should be made through the Executive Vice President of the RA, Rabbi Julie Shonfeld. She is best reached through the RA web site; please call me if you need further information.

Pardon the length of this column, but I thought it important that the community be informed of how we are addressing this issue.

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New Members Jared Garelick

Gayle and Erik Hope

Gayle, who grew up in the Princeton, New Jersey area, came to Washington to attend college at American University and has been in the area ever since. Eric, a Detroit native, has lived here for many years as well.

A former reporter, Gayle now works in public relations at the Harbour Group, a boutique PR firm, where she focuses on technology and health issues. Erik is an IT consultant at a company called New Signature. His is also a second career. He was a professional cook for several years, working at various Washington restaurants before returning to school for an IT degree.



Gayle and Eric live in Wheaton with their son **Jordan**, who just turned seven (happy birthday, Jordan!).

The family was looking for a synagogue with a good Hebrew school and were happy to find TI. They enjoyed the family service at the High Holidays this year, as well as Simhat Torah.

In November, they participated in hallah baking with Rabbi Seidel, an event allowing new members to meet the Rabbi in the warm and relaxed setting of the TI kitchen. Erik, the former chef, gave his approval to the Rabbi's baking. Gayle and Erik enjoy exploring the city and can often be found at the ice rink cheering on Jordan, who plays hockey.

Rachel and Steven Bressler

Rachel and Steve have lived for many years in the Washington area. Rachel grew up in Lawrence, Kansas, and Steve is from the flower city, Rochester, New York, this reporter's hometown.

Both are lawyers. Rachel works at the FDA, working on medical policy at the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, and Steve is in the Civil Division of the Department of Justice, defending the federal government in tort suits. They live in Silver Spring with their two children, **Zachary**, who is ten, and **Anna**, eight.

They were looking for a synagogue with a strong community where their children could get a good religious education. They enjoyed services and the friendly Kiddush luncheon when they came to visit TI with their friends, Howard and Hannah Rubin, and soon decided to join.



That makes the Rubin's TI's Magnet Members of the Month.

Matthew and Susan Finston

Matthew, from Chicago, and Susan, from the Detroit area, met in Chicago and then both headed into the Foreign Service. They have had a variety of international postings, including London, Tel Aviv, and Manila. Matthew

Funeral Practices Committee Always On-Call

Chaverim of the Funeral Practices Committee are on call to provide counsel and services to synagogue members and their dependents.

In the event of a death, prior to contacting the funeral home, please contact one of the following chaverim, Rabbi Seidel, or the TI office (202-882-1605).

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Lifelong Learning

Eitan Gutin

TI Shabbaton

Register today for the Fall Shabbaton, December 12-13!

- Bibliodramatist extraordinaire Peter Pitzele
- Explore our past with TI's historians
- Explore ourselves as we ask "How Important is God to Being Jewish?"
- Communal meals lovingly prepared by Roz and the TI kitchen crew
- Meaningful and celebratory Shabbat services
- Kids' programs provided by MoED
- B'nei Mitzvah Shabbaton & overnight sponsored by Kadima
- Teen Shabbaton with TI USY

The full Shabbaton is \$75 a person, \$25 for Friday night only, and \$60 for Saturday only.

There is a household maximum of \$250 for the full Shabbaton, \$100 for Friday night, and \$190 for Saturday. While there is no cap on the fee in the registration form the household maximum will be reflected on your invoice.

For complete information, schedule, and online registration, visit bit.ly/Shabbaton2014.

Coming Attractions

Our fourth annual **Family Hanukkah Celebration** will take place on

Wednesday, December 17, at 6:15 p.m., Hanukkah Celebration. We will have a communal dinner and candle-lighting, followed by special programs for each age group (and time to shmooze for all the adults). Save the date and keep an eye on your email for the official invitation.

The New Yorkers are Coming!

TI USY is proud to offer the TI community the opportunity to fulfill the *mitzvah of Hachnassat Orchim*, welcoming guests into your home. Sixty USY'ers (and staff) from the Metropolitan NYC region of USY will spend Shabbat with TI on their way back from the USY International Convention in Atlanta.

TI USY is looking for households to host our USY guests on Friday and Saturday nights, **December 26 and 27**. Hosts are asked to provide beds to sleep in, breakfast, and transportation to and from TI. Please contact **Allison Turner** at allisonturner@gmail.com, if you can host.

Winter Break Program Dates

Calendar reminders as the year comes to a close:

Wednesday, 12/17. Regular classes, Family Hanukkah Celebration

Shabbat, 12/20. Vav Class, Shultime, Bonim, and Machar meet as scheduled

Sunday, 12/21. Himmelfarb School and Jr. Chai meet as scheduled

Wednesday, 12/24. No School

Shabbat, 12/27. No School, no Shabbat groups

Sunday, 12/28. No School

Wednesday, 12/31. No School

Shabbat, 1/2. No School, no Shabbat groups

Sunday, 1/3. No School

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Sunday, 12/28. No School

Wednesday, 12/31. No School

Shabbat, 1/2. No School, No Shabbat Groups

Sunday, 1/3. No School

New Members (cont.)

was posted in Kabul, Afghanistan until 2012, and now works at the State Department in the Office of Aviation Negotiations. Susan has left the State Department and now works as an independent consultant, mainly on issues relating to pharmaceuticals and intellectual property.

The Finstons have two young adult children, **Aaron**, who lives with them in the Cleveland Park neighborhood, and **Rachel** who is off at college. Matthew is an ardent biker, while Susan enjoys yoga and Talmud study. Aaron is interested in animals and Rachel is the family literature maven. The Finstons have visited TI many times over the years, have some friends here, and decided it was time to make the move to TI.

Welcome to this month's featured new members!

Summary of TI Board of Directors Meeting October 13, 2014

Attending: Sharon Brown, Susan Catler, Jeffrey Colman, Jeff Davidson, Joe Davidson, Lisa Goldberg, Leah Grohsgal, Judy Herzog, Stephanie Roodman Murdock, Cynthia Peterman, Debbie Pomerance, Andrew Reamer, Howard Riker, Morris Rodenstein, Hannah Rubin, Ray Natter, Judy Tulchin, Dan Turner, Mark Verschell, Terri Zall, Chris Zeilinger.

Excused: Larry Baizer, Joel Cohen, Wilhelmina Gottschalk, John List, Hannah Rubin

Absent: Joanne Hovis, Morris Rodenstein

Staff: Eitan Gutin, Rabbi Ethan Seidel, Jevera Temsky

The meeting was called to order at 8:00.

July Minutes were approved as submitted.

Annual Appeal. Daniel Turner gave a report on the Annual Appeal. The goal was \$125,000; as of October 9 TI had raised \$139,051.

President's Report – Jeff Davidson. The president reported on his recent activities, including attendance at the 2014 Montgomery County Human Rights Hall of Fame event at which TI member Dana Beyer was inducted. He discussed the recent announcement by the Rabbi at Adas Israel. He reported that some TI members are interested in more Israel programming.

Following a recent fall by a congregant, a safety inspector has made recommendations for safeguarding against future accidents. Mona Berch raised concerns about outside safety.

Finance. Sharon Brown of the Finance Committee gave a first quarter finance report.

Education & Youth. Eitan Gutin and Vice President for Lifelong Learning, Cynthia Peterman, gave a report on youth and adult education.

New Members. Susan Catler, Vice President for Membership, reported that 16 adults joined the congregation since the July Board meeting:

Renee Gindi & Alan Zibel, Ezra (2008) and Hannah (2011)

Sarah Feinstein & Lawrence (Larry) Held, Oliver (2003), Karina (2006), and Ari (2009)

Steven Cheskin and his wife Malia Hale, Jacen (2009) and Eliana (2012)

Brian Friedman and his wife Angie Nichols-Friedman, Abraham (2007) and Ira (2009)

Matthew & Susan Finston, Aaron (1993) and Rachel (1995)

Robert & Laura Meisnere, Simone Meisnere (2007) and Annabelle Friedman (2000)

Gayle Hope and her husband Erik Hope, Jordan (2007)

Steven & Rachel Bressler, Zachary (2004) and Anna (2006)

Nitzan Zecharya and his wife Tahirih, Shiran (1995), Nitai (1997), Naveh (2004) and Chai (2009)

Steven & Judy Richman, parents of Rabbi Elizabeth Richman, as Out of Town Members

Several other membership applications are pending.

High Holidays. Ritual Vice President, Wilhelmina Gottschalk, reported on the High Holidays, which were very well attended and received.

Various Board members contributed to Good and Welfare and New Business. The meeting adjourned at 10:12pm.

TI Archive Project

We're looking for TI members who joined before 1980!

Share your stories and memories for the TI Archive Project as we prepare for our Centennial Year, 2016-2017. Come to TI on **Sunday, December 21**, from 10:15 to 11:30 a.m., for a group interview.

Please contact either Marcia Goldberg at goldbergm@verizon.net, or Cynthia Peterman at cynp25@gmail.com to let us know you will attend.

December Highlights at Tifereth Israel

December 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	Monday Lunch & Learn <i>Parashat HaShavuah</i> , 11 a.m.; Lunch 12 noon
December 4	92nd St. Y Webcast, "America & Israel," 8:15 p.m.
December 6	Learners' Minyan, 10 a.m. SHALEM, Lisa Huttner, "My Fiddler -- from Grodna to Broadway"
December 7	Gevarim Brunch, Jeffrey Colman, "The U.S., Israel and the Changing Middle East," 10 a.m. Movie Nite, <i>Broadway Musicals: A Jewish Legacy</i> , 7:30 p.m.
December 9	Kol Nashim Book Club, at home of Cyndi & Alan Weitz, 7:30 p.m.
December 12-13	Fall Shabbaton: Artist-In-Residence Peter Pitzele Friday, December 12: Shabbat Dinner, 7:15 p.m.; "The Family of Jacob," 8:15 p.m. Saturday, December 13: "The Childhood of Joseph," 1:15 p.m.; Learning Sessions, 2:30 and 3:35 p.m.; Se'udah Sh'lishit, 4:30 p.m.; Havdallah, 5:30 p.m.
December 20	Tot Shabbat, 11:15 a.m.
December 25	Movie Nite, <i>The Big Lebowski</i> , 4:30 p.m.

News from Goettingen, Germany

Naomi Revzin

November was the month for remembrance for Tifereth Israel's sister congregation, the Gemeinde, in Goettingen.

The Gemeinde sponsored a memorial program in honor of Max and Gertrud Hahn on the release of a biography that details their great impact on the German Jewish community before World War II.

Max Hahn was the head of the German Jewish community until 1940. This biography focuses on

the importance of the Hahn family and its traditions, and the ongoing impact of their legacy today.

The leader of the Gemeinde's "Active Plus" program spoke to the group about the vital role of helpers for aging and aged Gemeinde members.

In commemoration of the November 11, 1918, armistice that ended World War I, the Gemeinde visited the Jewish cemetery to honor those members who fell during that war.

Kreeger Exhibit

The Kreeger Museum is presenting, through December 27, an exhibition of monumental wood sculptures by Emilie Brzezinski. *The Lure of the Forest* expresses Brzezinski's fascination with trees and her love and respect for the environment.

The Museum pays homage to this masterful sculptor, who for over 30 years has chain-sawed and hand-chiseled tree trunks into majestic forms. Each work exhibits beauty, grace, sensuousness, and strength.

Social Action at TI: Stephen Nelson Members Active in “Village” Movement

When it comes to social action, one of the fastest growing vehicles for changing people’s lives is the senior “village,” where community members bond together to provide needed services and support to older residents so they can stay engaged and continue to live independently in their own homes.

Services include delivering groceries, providing transportation to medical appointments or other places, shopping, IT assistance, home repair and maintenance, and educational and social activities.

The concept, which started in Boston in 2002, has spread to more than 120 communities across the United States. It is particularly popular in the Mid-Atlantic area.

According to the Village to Village Network, the umbrella group of the village movement, there are 48 villages either in operation or in development in the Mid-Atlantic states. More than half of those are in the Washington metropolitan area, including 10 in Washington, D.C. proper.

Judging from the large number of new villages in the developmental stage, further growth promises to continue for years. The Washington area is also unique in having a strong regional network structure for Village support called the Washington Area Village Exchange (WAVE). <http://wavevillages.org/>.

Many villages are membership-driven, grass-roots organizations that, through both paid staff and volunteers, set up a process so volunteers can provide services to village members as needed, on a regular or occasional basis. Annual membership fees, when required, vary and can range from \$300 to \$600 for an individual and \$450 to \$900 for a household. Some villages do not charge a fee.

Several TI members are playing active roles in their respective village communities. **Margie Odle** has been very active in the developing East Rock Creek Village, which encompasses seven neighborhoods, including North Portal Estates, Shepherd Park and Takoma DC.



She also serves on the IT committee of WAVE. Odle says that the village is about half way to reaching the goal of \$100,000 in pledges and grants, and hopes that the village will officially open in the Spring of 2015.

Lynn Golub-Rofrano is the founding Executive Director of the Georgetown Village, which has been in operation for more than three years, and currently has about 190 members. Other TI members active in villages include **Shannah Koss**, who has been active in getting the Silver Spring Village (now in its second year of operation) off the ground, and **Howard Gleckman**, who has served as a resource for many DC villages.

The Social Action Committee has been discussing potential ways that its members can support the village movement. More to come in future months.

Social Action Shabbaton

The annual Social Action Shabbaton, held on Martin Luther King weekend, is scheduled for **January 17, 2015**.

The theme this year will be “Refugee Children -- Then and Now.”

Mark your calendars. More details to come.

Rosh Hashanah Food Project

The Social Action Committee would like to recognize those TI members and their families who participated in the Rosh Hashanah Food Project. **Lisa Traiger** was the coordinator. Other participants included:

Steve/Rachel Bressler
Jack Stone/Wilma Brier
Brad Brooks-Rubin
David/Adam Cohen
Joel Cohen
Jeff Colman
Miriam Davidson
Earl Dotter/Deborah Stern
Ernie Englander/Aaron Shulman-Englander
Varda Fink
Anita Finkelstein

Josh Kefer
Keimowitz Family
Andrea Kline
Michael Lav
David/Stephanie Rubin
Loretta Vitale Saks
Larry Shinker
Richard Siegel
Jeff Steinberg
Ed Stromberg
Rachel Tickner
Adrienne Torry
Paula Tucker
Susan Vitale
Elaine Weiss
Jessica Weissman
Dorthea Wolfsom
Diana Zurer

Gevarim

Andrew Reamer

גברים

Live from NYC's 92nd Street Y

The New York 92nd Street Y webcasts, to organizations across North America, panel discussions, interviews, readings and other events featuring distinguished presenters from around the world.

Participants at TI can ask questions of each panel via email. The cost for each webcast is \$10 for the public and general TI members, and \$5 for Kol Nashim and Gevarim members.

On **Thursday, December 4**, 8:15 p.m., the webcast topic is "America and Israel: The Way Forward." This event is co-presented with the American Friends of the Yitzhak Rabin Center. The question for the evening is: What might the relationship between America and Israel look like in the years ahead?

Panelists include Dalia Rabin, Chair of the Yitzhak Rabin Center; Ambassador Dennis Ross, counselor and William Davidson Distinguished Fellow at The Washington Institute for Near East Policy; and Ethan Bronner, deputy national editor of

The New York Times and the paper's former Jerusalem bureau chief.

Sunday Brunch Speaker Series

December 7, 10:00 a.m., Mollie Berch Library: "The U.S., Israel and the Changing Middle East" with Jeffrey Colman, Deputy Director, Policy and Government Affairs, American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC).

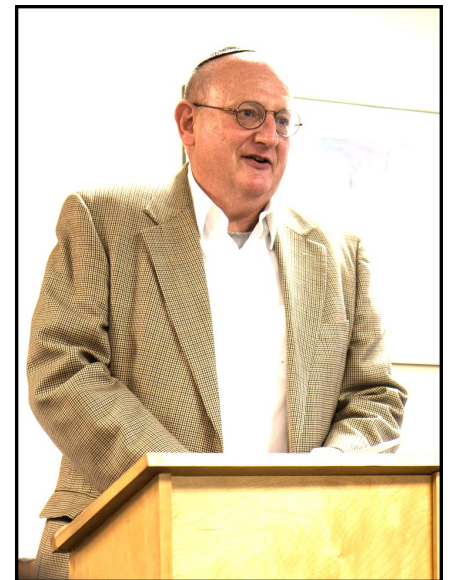
The cost is \$10 for Gevarim and KN members, \$12 for all others.

Movie Nite @ TI

December 7, 7:30 p.m., Cherner Auditorium: *Broadway Musicals: A Jewish Legacy*, first telecast on PBS, plus *B-Boy*, a documentary short about a young man's coming of age as a bar mitzvah and a competitive break dancer.

December 25, 4:30 p.m., Cherner Auditorium: The Coen Brothers' *The Big Lebowski*, with John "I don't roll on Shabbas" Goodman, followed by

a group dinner out at a vegetarian restaurant. Movie is free, snacks are \$4, dinner is a la carte.



Ira Foreman speaks on global anti-Semitism at Gevarim brunch, November 2

Rain Garden Dedicated

Jevera Temsky



The stormwater retention project, aka "The Rain Garden," was finished on November 9 with a celebratory planting day and ramp dedication.

The fine work in the alley and on the Juniper St. side of the building was accomplished through the efforts of many people during the past several years.

Carla Ellern was especially involved and lent her professional services as well as her dogged commitment to see this through to completion. **Mark** and **Mona Berch** generously donated the handsome new Julian Berch Memorial Ramp, in loving memory of Mark's father.

The staff reports that they are eager for rainfall so they can watch water run down the spout, along the runnel and into the bioswale. (And we learned two new words: *runnel* and *bioswale*.)

Kol Nashim

Margie Odle



Esau vs. Jacob

On November 16, Kol Nashim sponsored "The Trial of the Millennium: Esau vs Jacob (and Rebecca, too)." To quote one attendee: "It was a spectacular event...beautifully orchestrated and performed, clever, funny, informative...." (See photos, page 10)

We were thrilled that so many came to participate as the jury. KN is very appreciative of the cast's extensive preparation. We especially thank **Naomi Revzin** for having the idea and making all the arrangements.

Game Night

The next KN program is on **January 10**, our fifth (?) annual Game Night, co-sponsored with Gevarim.

This popular event will include the usual array of games plus bridge (with Phil Shapiro), mah jongg and, maybe, poker.

We're planning to serve sweet, salty, crunchy, as well as healthy snacks and drinks. We're asking for \$5 per person (\$10 maximum per family) to help defray the cost of the event. Feel free to bring your favorite game.

Stressed Out?

Coming on **February 22**, at 10:15 a.m., is "Self Help for the Stressed Out," hosted by **Adele Natter** and **Esther Herman**. The title tells it all.

Programs in March

Rabbi Avis Miller will lead two sessions to help us get ready for Pesah.

Happy Hanukkah to all from Kol Nashim!

Adult Education

Jessica Weissman

December brings two Adult Education programs of note.

On **December 6**, our SHALEM speaker will be **Jan Lisa Huttner**, independent film critic and scholar of *Fiddler on the Roof*. She will present a talk entitled "My Fiddler -- from Grodna to Broadway." Jan will share

some of her book-in-progress, including connections to other famous works that center on groups of marriageable sisters. Jane Austen in Anatevka? Find out on December 6.

On **December 12 and 13**, TI holds a Shabbaton, from candle-lighting to *Havdallah* an event not to be missed. The program includes:

- Performer/Scholar-In-Residence Peter Pitzele, illuminating familiar stories of the life of Joseph through interactive Bibliodrama
- TI'ers Teaching TI'ers on Shabbat afternoon
- Special kids' program in partnership with MoED
- B'nei Mitzvah Shabbaton with Overnight at TI
- Fantastic food by Roz

We start Friday night with a Carlebach service and dinner, followed by an hour's presentation and activity led by Peter Pitzele, who is also the *darshan* on Shabbat.

Shabbat afternoon features Tikkun-style presentations, including another session led by Peter Pitzele. You'll never look at the Torah the same way again.

The afternoon concludes with *Se'udah Sh'lishit* prepared by Roz, and *Havdallah*. Register today on the TI website. You can sign up for Friday night, Saturday, or both.

SHALEM programs for January through June are being finalized. If you'd like to present one, please contact Jessica Weissman.

Jewish Folk Arts Festival

Saturday, December 6, 8 p.m.: Hanukkah Concert Dedicated to Human Rights, Temple Beth Ami, 14330 Travilah Road, Rockville, MD

Sunday, December 7, 12 noon-6 p.m.: Festival at the Universities, Shady Grove Conference Center, 9630 Gudelsky Drive, Rockville, MD

Learners' Minyan

Led by Rabbi Jason Kimelman -Block, the Learners' Minyan will meet on **Saturday, December 6**, at 10 a.m. All adults are welcome in this easy-to follow basic morning service.

Esau Sues Jacob at TI, November 16



Attorneys Bruce Heppen, Janet Nesse & Bonnie Suchman



Judge Deena Dugan, Jeff Steinberg (Esau) & Chris Zeilinger (Jacob)



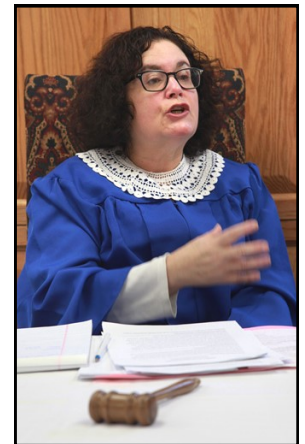
Joel Cohen (Isaac) & Louise Wiener (Rebecca)



Witnesses Morris Klein & Dick Siegel (in costume!)



Witnesses Mark Lewis, Simcha Kuritsky & Lynn Golub-Rofrano



Charging the Jury

Nayes un Mekhayes for TI'ers

Barbara Raimondo

Roses and Belles

Lotsa interesting things happened this month, so let's jump in!

Helping support the growth of the TI population is **Elizabeth Rose Natter**, born November 7. Thanks, Rose! She weighed 6 lbs., 11 oz. and was 19 inches long. Her parents, **Ari** and **Mandy Natter**, big brother **Noah**, and baby are all doing well. Grandparents, TI members **Adele** and **Ray Natter**, are over the rainbow. Somewhere.

Lester and **Judith Turner** traveled to Los Angeles recently for the naming of their second-youngest grandchild, **Annabelle Klein** (Tzipora bat Avram v' Hannah), sister of **Ruby** (age two and a half). As of yet, no sibling rivalry has been reported between the two. Annabelle celebrated her first birthday two weeks after her naming. It remains to be seen how she reacts when, upon turning 12, she learns that Ruby received the larger piece of cake.

Party Over Here!

Alan Landay, his brother, **Jay**, from Atlanta, and other friends and family recently celebrated his **Aunt Charlotte Wagner's** 95th birthday. With her, of course. They marked the occasion at Riderwood retirement community in Silver Spring.

Meanwhile, at the Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists (PAN) coin show in Pittsburgh, **Simcha Kuritzky's** exhibit on Singapore's 1986 tiger coins won second place in world coins. His updated exhibit on *Pidyon HaBen* tokens won first place in tokens and medals and was also the people's choice. At the PAN show he also gave a talk on Israel's Money and Idolatry.

Claudine Schweber and **Ed Koren** just returned from Paris (the one in

France, not Texas!). Claudine was talking with the Jewish organization OSE, which has focused on providing health care for Jewish families since 1912. During WWII, OSE dedicated itself to saving Jewish children, such as Claudine's mother, and providing transitional homes for children who came out of the camps, such as Elie Wiesel. Claudine is on the Board of the American friends, OSE-USA.

She and Ed also had time to visit the Drancy deportation site just outside of Paris, where Claudine's mother and many others, were sent on the way to Auschwitz. They also saw a fantastic exhibit of Roman Vishniac's photographs at the Jewish Museum in Paris.

Betcha Don't Know How to Pronounce It

Margie Odle and **Carl Bergman** recently vacationed in South Africa. A wonderful guided tour included the usual lions, leopards, elephants, zebras, giraffes, rhinos, etc., (yawn!) as well as Cape Town, Swaziland, Soweto, Johannesburg and many points between. More unusual and important was a side trip to Oudtshoorn, the ostrich farming town where Carl's mother, **Polly Clein Bergman**, was born.

In Oudtshoorn, they explored family history, met distant cousins, and visited Carl's great grandmother's grave in the Jewish Cemetery. Back in Cape Town, they were hosted by other cousins from the same branch of the family. Carl and Margie made the SA trip with Carl's cousin, **Linda Clein Brown**, and her daughter. They're from Washington, too -- the state. Linda's father and three other Clein children were also born in Oudtshoorn. It was a great trip.

November was a busy travel month for the **Peterman** family. **Cynthia**,

Jeff, **Tania** and **Adrian Stewart** spent two weeks in London with the Peterman clan. In addition to seeing family and visiting some sites, Jeff and Cynthia spent a weekend near Burton-on-Trent with Jeff's college chums and their spouses. A highlight was a brewery tour and fireworks for Guy Fawkes Day.

Another side trip was to Paris for a reunion with Cynthia's cousins, last together 25 years ago. December will be a busy travel month for Jeff, who will make the trek to Shanghai, China.

Sad News

June Kuffler Nelson, mother of **Stephen Nelson (Leslie Goodman-Malamuth)** and grandmother of **Gabriel**, **Barry** and **Isaac Nelson**, died at age 96 in November. The funeral was in Pennsylvania.

Elsie Novak, mother of **Mark Novak (Renee Brachfeld)** and grandmother of **Kaziah**, has died at age 98. The funeral was in New Jersey.

David Greer, father of **Linda Greer (Mike Tilchin)** and grandfather of **Ross** and **Carla Tilchin**, passed away at age 89 in Massachusetts.

Mark Fox, uncle of **Judy (Allan) Tulchin** and great-uncle of **Hillel** and **Lena**, died in October in New York. He was 88, and is survived by his wife, **Sylvia Fox**, and son, **Ben Fox**. The funeral took place in New York.

May the families and loved ones be comforted among those who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem. And now for the meaning of last month's word, *gallimaufry*: "hodgepodge" (Merriam-Webster Online).

Thanks to all who sent me news, sent me to others who sent me news, or otherwise helped sniff it out.

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Havdallah Pot Luck, November 15, at home of Stephanie & Jonah Murdock (Next Havdallah Pot Lucks: January 31 & March 21)



New Members Baking Hallah with Rabbi Seidel, November 9

Bathroom Accessibility Brunch

On **January 25, 2015**, the bathroom committee will be hosting a brunch for everyone to learn about the plans for the new bathrooms. There will be live music, food, and special drinks (both alcoholic and non). We

Nayes un Mekhayes (cont.)

Please send information for next time to this nabob, baraimondo@gmail.com, with "Nayes un Mekhayes" in the heading, or to P.O. Box 466, Washington Grove, MD 20880. This brings to a close this edition of Nayes un Mekhayes for TI'ers.

will roast the old bathrooms and talk about the importance of the new.

Our speaker will be **Shelley Richman Cohen**, who is the founder and program director of The Jewish Inclusion Project, an organization that provides training for Jewish leaders on the need and methodology for creating more inclusive Jewish institutions. During her talk, Shelly will address the importance of accessibility generally and accessible bathrooms in particular.

We have made great strides in improving accessibility at TI, with the installation of the elevator and *bimah*

lift during ATID, and the new ramp, as part of the rain garden project.

The ADA-compliant restroom planned for the Cherner level will be another step toward insuring that all members and guests will be able to participate in prayers, programs and parties at TI. In addition, the new bathrooms will enhance our building and make the TI experience more pleasurable for all.

Come to the brunch and learn about the plans, ask questions and find out how you can help. If you have any questions, contact the bathroom committee: **Deena Dugan**, **Sarah Meytin** or **Stephanie Murdock**.

A Veteran Who Heals, Not Kills

Frank Solomon

Most veterans learn how to fight and kill. But there are some veterans who learn the opposite. Their job is to save lives.

Tifereth Israel has a number of these life savers in uniform. One of the most distinguished is **Leonard Bachman**, whose career touched upon Congressional and state politics, and who, in turn, was touched by a former governor, Presidents Richard Nixon and Ronald Reagan and the late Surgeon General Everett Koop.

Born in 1925 and raised in inner-city West Baltimore, Bachman is the grandson of immigrants from Belarus and Latvia. Growing up in a lower middle-class neighborhood where nearly 90 percent of the residents were Jewish, his interests were mostly athletic.

"I was an indifferent kid with indifferent grades," says Bachman. He played football and basketball, but a bad injury in 1940 ended his dream of being a football star. Undaunted, he made the high school wrestling team, and won a state championship scholarship in 1943.

World War II Begins

Then came the Second World War. The draft was on. "Every red-blooded American boy wanted to get into the war," Bachman says. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1943 and applied to the V-12 program, which was similar to the Army ROTC. He was among 16,000 out of 380,000 high school applicants selected.

The program had contracts with 131 colleges. Bachman selected medicine when he started at Franklin & Marshall College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and his medical life began. "Going into pre-med was the smartest decision I ever made in my life," he says. "I was an all-around athlete, but medicine was my calling, as I found out."

Once he had enough college credits, the Navy sent him to the U.S. Naval Hospital in Baltimore as a corpsman. The war ended four months later. Bachman went to the University of Maryland Medical School and became a cadet. He was released from active military duty in 1946, but stayed on in "active reserve" status, receiving his medical degree in 1950, the year he married Sarah, who would be his

wife for the next 55 years until her death in 2005.

When the Korean War started, Bachman volunteered for active duty. With the rank of admiral, he served at the Naval Hospital in Bethesda and facilities in Boston and Camp Fort Lejeune in North Carolina. He was part of a small traveling team of two surgeons, one anesthetist and 10 corpsmen who cared for ill and injured soldiers and sailors.



Len Bachman as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps, 1952

After the Korean War, Bachman served on the faculty of Johns Hopkins University Hospital, bought a house in Pikesville, MD, where his first two children were born. At the age of 30, a call came from the Philadelphia Children's Hospital to serve as chief of anesthesia. There he spent 17 years doing pediatric anesthesia research. All that time he stayed in the Navy Reserve.

In 1964, at the age of 39, Bachman ran for the U.S. Congress, and almost succeeded. But better things were awaiting. In 1970, Democratic Gov. Milton Shapp appointed Bachman as Pennsylvania secretary of health, where he served until 1979. He was 54.

But even bigger things were coming. In 1979, under the Carter administration, Bachman was appointed as director of a group of U.S. Marine hospitals and clinics,

overseeing 5,000 physicians. He had to resign his naval commission, retiring as a full lieutenant, and became an admiral in the U.S. Public Health Service.

"It was going good for two years. I had a lot of good people working to help reorganize these hospitals," he said. "Then Reagan came in and they decided to close them down.... It was the hardest thing for me in my life. I toyed with the idea of leaving the public sector and going into clinical medicine."

He didn't. Higher calls would be coming. Dr. C. Everett Koop, U.S. surgeon general, asked Bachman in 1983 to become the chief medical officer at the Public Health Service. From 1983 to 1990, Bachman was involved in closing hospitals, providing service to National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the U.S. Coast Guard. At the same time, he also took on the title of chief medical officer of NOAA. During this time, he developed an interest in diving medicine.

Retirement in 1993

Bachman retired from public—and military—service in 1993 at the age of 67 with the rank of rear admiral.

Bachman credits his successful career to his wife, Sarah, who helped keep a Jewish home while raising their children as he moved up in his career ladder. "While I grew up Orthodox, I wasn't that into Judaism. Sarah created a Jewish home that made a big impression on me. She would make sure that we always celebrated Shabbat with candles and beautiful tablecloths and all.

"My personal life was deeply affected and tied up with my wife, who loved Judaism deeply, and I gradually learned to enjoy saying Kiddush every Shabbat. And the way she handled the kids. All our four kids are seriously Jewish."

The Bachmans joined Tifereth Israel in 1995. Sarah and Rabbi Nathan Abramowitz were childhood friends. They co-lead the Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America while she was at Goucher College and he was at Johns Hopkins. Bachman will be celebrating his 90th birthday next May.

Postal Service in Israel in 1948

Elihu Leifer

The author, a TI member, is an avid philatelist who collects Israel stamps, covers, and related literature. Any member who would like to see his collection is welcome to call 301-986-1190 to arrange a visit.

In 1948, the year Israel was established, the postage stamps used to pay for mail service in the area now known as Israel went through four phases over the course of six months. These phases reflect the evolution of the "country" from British Mandate to independent nation.

British Mandate Stamps

The postal authority of Britain's Palestine Mandatory government began issuing both pictorial and non-pictorial stamps specific to Palestine in 1920, soon after the Mandate was established.

The non-pictorials, which were issued first, contained an overprinting of "Palestine" in English, Arabic and Hebrew on stamps created two years earlier by the British Egyptian Expeditionary Force (EEF) which had occupied Palestine at the end of World War I. The Hebrew word *Palestina* was followed by an *aleph* and *yud* (for *Eretz Yisrael*) through a compromise dictated by the Mandatory government in a dispute between the Jewish and Moslem communities.

The pictorials, first issued in 1923, were, by 1948, in 18 denominations and nine different colors. They contained four designs of sites of significance to Jews, Christians and Moslems: Rachel's Tomb near Bethlehem, David's Tower in the Jerusalem wall, Tiberius and the Sea of Galilee, and the Dome of the Rock on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem. The same words in the three languages were used.

As 1948 began, these stamps continued to be used. Beginning April 14, 1948, a month before the end of the Mandate, Britain began to terminate postal services. The cessation was chaotic, with battle zones or road blocks restricting postal access for various towns.

Initial Use of JNF Labels

The nascent, provisional Jewish government, *Minhelet Ha'am* (People's Administration), authorized (without British interference) the postal usage of labels that had been issued by the Jewish National Fund (JNF) since 1902 to raise money, buy land, plant trees, build dams and parks, and support agricultural development. The labels were revised to contain overprints in Hebrew of the word *Do'ar* (Post).

These labels were used throughout the "country" from May 2 through May 22. It was not uncommon for the same envelope to contain the Palestine stamps and the JNF labels. The cancellation on the envelopes using the Palestine stamps and/or the JNF labels was marked *Do'ar*, *Minhelet Ha'am*, and the name of the city or town where the envelope was mailed.

Separate Local Stamps

In addition, the towns of Rehovot, Nahariya, Safed and Rishon Le Zion printed local stamps. For example, on May 2, the first day of the postal administration in Rehovot, a JNF label picturing Theodore Herzl with David's Tower in the background was cancelled *Do'ar*, *Minhelet Ha'am* and *Rehovot* in Hebrew.

The State of Israel was declared in Tel Aviv on Friday afternoon, May 14. Because Shabbat followed immediately, the first business day of the new Israel Post was Sunday, May 16.

Do'ar Ivri Stamps

A set of nine stamps of different denominations and colors had been prepared in advance to replace the Palestine stamps and JNF labels. These new stamps featured ancient coins from the eras of the first Jewish-Roman war (66-73 C.E.) and the later Bar Kokhba Revolt (132-135 C.E.).

Since the new country's official name had not been chosen when these stamps were prepared, the stamps were inscribed *Do'ar Ivri* (Hebrew Post). These *Do'ar Ivri* stamps continued as valid postage through April 1950.

First "Israel" Stamps

The first stamps of the Israel Post to bear the name of the new state, *Yisrael*, was the Jewish New Year set of five stamps issued September 26, 1948. As was the case under the Mandate, the stamps displayed their identity in Hebrew, Arabic and English, a practice which has continued to the present time.

The motif of this first issue is a flying scroll, described on the stamp tab (a new feature) as a seal found on excavated wine and oil jugs given as taxes to the ancient kings of Judah. The cachet on the first day of issue cover (also a new feature), reads "Rosh Hashanah 5709" in Hebrew.

Baking with the Rabbi

New members who missed out on baking *hallah* with Rabbi Seidel on November 9 will have two additional opportunities to learn to bake holiday specialties with him: *sufganiyot* for Hanukkah on December 14, and *hamentashen* for Purim on March 1.

The History of the Yom Kippur War in Medals

Simcha Kuritzky

In my last article, I mentioned that there are few medals commemorating the Yom Kippur holiday, but many commemorating the Yom Kippur War. The most complete account of the war was given in a series of silver medals issued by Lerner contemporaneous with the events.

Egypt and Syria managed to disguise their war preparations and fool Israel intelligence into believing the war would be fought a year or two later. On Yom Kippur, Saturday, October 6, 1973, Egyptian tanks crossed the Suez Canal and the Syrians invaded Golan. Many soldiers were in synagogue, but since the streets were uncharacteristically clear of traffic, mobilization was actually easier than on a workday.

The first Lerner medal shows Israel as a *Magen David* struck by twin bolts of lightning composed of the Egyptian and Syrian flags and English legend "The Yom Kippur War 6-24 Oct 1973." The reverse pays respects to the 2,412 soldiers lost in combat (that number later rose above 2,500), with a quote from II Samuel 1:19 in Hebrew "The Beauty of Israel upon Your High Places is Slain; How Have the Mighty Fallen."



Both the U.S. and Israel expected a quick counterattack which would give Israel the upper hand within a few of days. However, the Egyptians and Syrians were resupplied by the Soviets and bolstered by Jordanian and Iraqi troops, and Israel's counterattacks stalled.

Israel prepared atomic weapons for possible use, and on October 9, the

U.S. began to resupply Israel. All other countries had bowed to Arab pressure and stopped selling arms to Israel, and the U.S. resupply was hampered by the inability to land in most countries to refuel.

Lerner's second medal honors (*kol hakavod!*) the U.S. Military Airlift Command and displays its logo, and on the other side says "When NATO quit, the C-5A Delivered." A C-5A (large U.S. cargo plane) is shown flying over a background of stacked bombs.



A third medal along the same lines shows a bald eagle bust and U.S. shield with "You Came Through in Our Hour of Need." The other side has the IDF and Navy logos with the Hebrew legend "Appreciation and Thanks to the American People."



On October 16-17, Arab OPEC countries raised prices and limited production, then threatened complete embargoes of countries who supported Israel. The Netherlands was the only European country that allowed the U.S. supply planes to refuel on its soil.

The fourth medal shows a gas pump on one side with "No Submission to Arab Blackmail" in English and a tulip, representing the Netherlands, and wilted flowers representing the rest of Europe with the Hebrew

inscription "To Holland from Israel with Love."



The war eventually turned militarily for Israel. On October 11, Israel troops broke through the Syrian lines and started shelling Damascus. It wasn't until October 16 that General Sharon managed to break between the Egyptian Second and Third Armies and cross the Suez Canal. By October 22, he surrounded Egypt's Third Army and the U.S. and U.S.S.R. brokered a cease fire which went into effect on October 24.

Lerner's fifth medal shows Sharon as an arrow going west across the canal. The Hebrew legend says "Operation Goshen 19-28 Tishri 5734" and in English "15-24 Oct 1973." The other side has the crossed sword and olive branch beneath oak leaf insignia of a major general, with the English legend "Aluf (R.) Ariel Sharon Hero of Israel." Aluf is Hebrew for General, and the (R.) probably refers to the fact he retired from the IDF in 1972 to take a seat in the Knesset.



What followed was the biggest breakthrough in modern Middle Eastern history: Egypt offered direct negotiations with Israel in exchange for humanitarian assistance for their encircled Third Army.

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Library News

Michele Sumka

We were very fortunate to be able to buy a number a books from Jewish Lights Publishing Company at very good prices. They include:

Torah of the Earth: Volume 2, by Arthur Waskow
Against the Dying of the Light, by Leonard J. Fein
I'm God; You're Not, by Lawrence Kushner
Love and Terror in the God Encounter: the Theological Legacy of Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik, by David Hartman
New Jewish Feminism, by Elyse Goldstein
Shared Dreams: Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Jewish Community, by Marc Schneier
Women's Passover Companion, by

Sharon Cohen Anisfeld
Women's Seder Sourcebook, by Sharon Cohen Anisfeld
Yom Kippur Readings, by Dov Peretz Elkins
Journeys to a Jewish Life: Inspiring Stories from the Spiritual Journeys of American Jews, by Paula Amann
Jewish Stories from Heaven and Earth: Inspiring Tales to Nourish the Heart and Soul, by Dov Peretz Elkins

As with the new books from last month, you can find them on the shelves marked Recent Acquisitions in the lobby in front of the Emsellem Room, unless they've been taken out already, in which case I ask those who have them to return them soon!

New Art Show

Opening in December is Part 2 of "Art by Jewish Artists on Jewish Themes from Members' Collections."

Although Part 1 of the art exhibit in the Cherner Auditorium closed at the end of November, some works by TI members Bernie Shleien, Earl Dotter and Fylis Peckham are still for sale. If you would like to purchase one, please contact **Audrey Smith** at acs35933@yahoo.com.

If you have art you would like to include in the new show, please contact Audrey Smith as soon as possible!

The History of the Yom Kippur War in Medals (continued)

On October 28, Israel's Major General Aharon Yariv and Egypt's Major General Abdel Ghani el-Gamasy first sat together and on November 11 signed a cease-fire agreement. This took place at Kilometer 101 of the Cairo-Suez highway at one of the furthest positions of the IDF inside Egypt.

Lerner's sixth medal shows the negotiating tent with two hands shaking (one with "G" for Gamasy and one with "Y" for Yariv) and the English legend "Disengagement at Kilometer 101." The other side shows the word "Shalom" shaped like a dove with the Arabic word "milakha" (withdrawal) and a question mark coming out of the olive branch in the dove's mouth.



The last Lerner medal illustrates a negative legacy of the Yom Kippur War. Israel's unpreparedness prior to the war, particularly in intelligence, was known as *HaMekhdal*.

On November 21, Supreme Court President Agranat headed a commission of inquiry into Israel's preparedness and response to the Arab threat of war. The resulting reports exonerated Prime Minister Golda Meir and Defense Minister Moshe Dayan, though both resigned permanently in June, 1974.

The medal shows three hands with fingers pointing in different directions and the English legend "War of the Generals, Agranat Commission." This medal may have come out before the first report was published in April, 1974 because it carries the 1973/5734 date.

The reverse has a large "HaMekhdal" with two letters ending in downward pointing arrows, and in English "The Failure."



The Yom Kippur War is best known for the significant gains Egypt and Syria initially made due to a surprise attack on Israel's holiest day, and the heavy price Israel paid in men and materiel to stop them. The veneer of invulnerability many people saw after Israel's victory in 1967 was shown to be a mirage.

The war also started Israel's descent into an inflationary spiral that saw the Israel currency lose 99.97% of its value over the next dozen years.

But most historians credit the initial Arab success as the reason Sadat was able to visit Jerusalem in 1977 and sign a peace treaty in 1979.

Upcoming Friday Night Minyan Assignments

December 5

Pierre & Deena Dugan
Ernie Englander
Miriam Feinsilver
Gail & Roger Feldman
Joshua & Mita Felman
Bob Feron & Dione Pereira
Joshua & Lucia Filler
Eric Fingerhut & Karen Beiley
Anita Finkelstein
Jay & Rachel Finkelstein
Matthew & Susan Finston
Violeta Fiorino-Schwartz
Joseph & Rachel Firschein
David & Patricia Fisher
Paula Flicker
Judah Flum & Lisa Itkin
Claude Fontheim & Orit Frenkel
Lee & Brenda Footer
Ira Forman & Caryn Pass
Monica Freedman

December 19

Bruce Friedland & Jenny Bryant
Arthur & Diane Friedman
Brian Friedman & Angie Nichols-Friedman
Jonathan Fritz & Lorien Abroms
Joshua Furman & Alisha Klapholz
Judy Galat & Geoff Thale
William & Miriam Galston
Stephen Garber & Lynne Snyder
Jared Garelick & Ellen Kramarow
Andrew & Allegría Gelfand
Seth Glabman & Martha Hare
Rick Glaser & Sheryl Gross-Glaser
Howard Gleckman & Ann Kline
John & Marcia Goggin
Sigfried Gold & Galia Siegel

December 26

Eliot & Traci Goldberg
Joseph & Dody Goldberg
Joshua & Sara Goldberg
Marcia Goldberg
Myrna Goldman
Paul Goldman & Debbie Pomerance
Tom & Lisa Goldring
Paul & Rachel Goldstein
Robyn Gopin
Michael Gotthelf & Rachel Vile
Stefan & Wilhelmina Gottschalk
Stan Grabia & Varda Fink
Lee & Jenni Gabel
George & Marjorie Greenberg
Larry Greenfield & Melanie Gross Greenfield

January 2

Abraham & Dena Greenstein
David Greisen & Jessica Bell
Franca Brilliant
Leah Weinryb Grohsgal & Corey Goettsch
Richard Gryziak & Leigh Verbois
Stefan Gunter & Lisa Goldberg
Eitan & Aviva Gutin
Jonathan Halpern
Daniel & Elizabeth Handwerker
David & Sara Handwerker
Eliot Harrison & Wendy Blake-Coleman
David Hart & Lois Frankel
Michael Heimowitz & Dori Gillman
Matt & Linda Heller
Steve & Shelly Heller
Bruce Heppen & Bonnie Suchman

January 16

Eugene & Esther Herman
Carolivia Herron
James & Annie Hershberg
Judith Herzog
William & Nira Hodos
Gayle & Erik Hope
Robert & Helen Hovis
Hedy Howard
Neil Hyman & Rachel Decter Hyman
Anita Isicson
David & Shana Jacobs
Leonard Jewler & Andrea Rosen
Harvey Kabaker & Andrea Kline
Steven Kalish & Anita Bolt
David Kass & Iris Amdur
Joshua & Jennifer Kefer
Kenneth Kellner & Nina Bronk Kellner

January 23

Rabbi Jason & Devora Kimelman-Block
Alexandra Kincannon & Paul Moorehead
Shemaya & Dori Klar
Morris Klein & Naomi Freeman
Roger Kohn
Allan Kolker
Edward Koren & Claudine Schweber
Michael & Lisa Kraft
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