

The BuzZ at BZ

News From B'nai Zion Congregation in Shreveport, LA

☆ January 2015 / Tevet ~ Sh'vat 5775



From Rabbi Jana

Change



When Macy B. Hart stepped down from being the director of Henry S. Jacobs Camp and took on the leadership role of the The Goldring/Woldenberg Institute of Southern Jewish Life, many people lamented that things wouldn't be the same, and worried about what was going to happen to the ways they had come to love. Macy had a phrase that he repeated for many circumstances: Change is neither bad nor good, change is just change. It turned out that the changes didn't hurt anything, and in fact Jacobs Camp and the ISJL flourished with the new leadership. Now, years later, Jacobs Camp is under new leadership again. In fact, many things have changed in our lives over the years, and as they did, I often heard Macy's words, and relied on them for comfort. The change itself has no value, but what we do with the change does matter.

Holidays are times when we take a moment to pause, and often to reflect on how our lives have changed and how they have stayed the same — since the previous year, or compared to years past. This January we have no Jewish holidays other than Shabbat. Of course, Shabbat is the holiday par excellence for pausing to reflect. We do have the secular new year, which is a great time to think about what kind of change we want to see in ourselves, and hopefully to commit to help with what kind of change we want to see in the world around us.

Hopefully one of the changes that you look forward to is to make Judaism a stronger part of your life. B'nai Zion is here to help. Each month we provide a variety of opportunities to have Judaism enrich your lives. The opportunities include something for everyone — young and old, novices to experts, people whose primary connection with Judaism is faith, or culture, or history, or helping, or social, or learning or teaching, or even eating. We work hard to try to make sure that everyone can find something they are looking for at B'nai Zion.

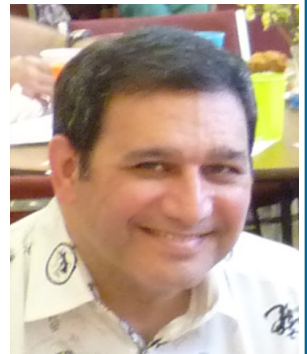
There are a number of people, members and non-members, who ask me to teach about basic Judaism. Some people want to understand Judaism better, and others are interested in becoming Jewish. You may have noticed that I try to teach Basic Judaism and Beginner Hebrew classes at least once a year. I would love to teach other classes as well, so please let me know what your interests are, and we can schedule new classes. I am beginning a new round of Basic Judaism classes starting in January with a course I call: Hebrew from Day One — in One Day. I will teach the whole Hebrew Aleph-Bet in one day, Sunday, January 11 from 2-6 pm (with breaks as needed). Tuition and materials fee is \$18 for members, and \$36 for non-members. Let me know by January 8 that you will be taking the class, so that the materials will be ready for you. Watch for more classes in February, and check the bulletin for other ways for you to learn and grow Jewishly.

Change may just be change, but you can make a commitment to make some good changes in your life. Bivrachah (with Blessings),

Rabbi Dr. Jana L. De Benedetti

From our President, Donald Posner

Hope your Chanukah was sweet and filled with lots of joy. We had our family together; Ben home from Hong Kong and Valerie and Alan in from New Orleans – what a treat! Plenty of eating and hunting and fun times were had by all. I wish each of you a happy and healthy secular new year!



Hopefully by the time you are reading this, our new heating/air conditioning unit has been installed in the sanctuary. Many thanks to all of you who have contributed to the B'nai Zion Foundation Trust Fund to help cover this MAJOR expense! As I am discovering, something big tends to break on a monthly basis. We have learned to expect the unexpected and deal with it as it occurs. If you have not paid your Foundation dues, please consider a contribution. Every little bit helps.

Also many thanks to those of you who have upped your pledges this year. The response to our suggestion for a modest increase was overwhelming positive. However, even with your generous support, we still need to draw from our Endowment fund to balance the budget.

As always, there is lots happening at B'nai Zion this month. Thanks to the Rabbi and Helaine for all of the programming that not only educates us about being Jewish but also teaches us how to live a Jewish life.

For a complete list of what I am talking about, please read and reread the bulletin as well as visit our website.

Shalom Y'all,

Donald

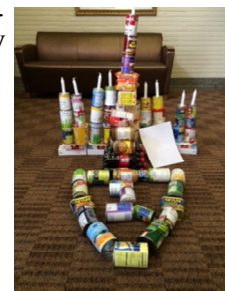


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From our Educator

Another calendar year closes, and we have a New Year that brings us much to celebrate. While we have fewer students than in some past years, what could be seen as a disappointment is actually cause for pride. Though we are fewer in number, I see strength in a renewed sense of community. The kids we do have are taking an interest in kids in other classes – older ones are eager to help younger ones, and younger ones look up to older ones. Our Chanukah celebration was a case in point. Our younger students went on a Chanukah Treasure Hunt to find the candles they'd need to fill a class *chanukiyah* (Chanukah menorah). Our fourth graders acted as "guides" to the younger classes, helping them decipher their clues and find the hidden candles. When they returned to show me they'd completed their task, I asked them to sing the Chanukah blessings for me – and they were led by those same fourth graders. Our older students were asked to construct *chanukiyot* out of canned goods and other non-perishable food items that we will donate to the Food Bank after Chanukah. However, they had to have younger kids on their teams, and they had to provide the leadership needed to complete their task using everyone's help. Our students rose to the occasion, and with a great sense of teamwork, they too completed their task. Then we went outside to photograph groups forming a "human menorah," and again I saw teamwork as parents and children formed groups, raising young ones on the shoulders of their parents as they held their candles high. It was a day that reminded me that building community and working together to accomplish goals are a significant part of our mission in educating our children.



Curriculum is important, but community is even more important. In the second half of our school year, we will have more and more opportunities for grade-level classes and family groups to undertake projects together so that new friendships are forged and longer standing ones are cemented.

It was good to have some of our Preschool Parents join us for our Chanukah celebration. The kids played while the parents met and visited. We had dads who loved Hershel and the Hannukah Goblins, moms who loved singing with Rabbi Jana, and everyone who loved latkes with sour cream and applesauce. Along with the delicious potato pancakes, Chanukah cookies and party Chex Mix turned a regular Sunday into a Pre-Chanukah party. Teamwork was also the name of the game in providing the food: Kathy Plante, Bill Braunig, Bethany Sorkey and a large team of cooks turned out tons of latkes, while Alison Bath and Religious School students made rugelach to go with Bethany's spice cookies. Very young cooks made the Chex Mix under Alison's watchful eye. So many treats for the kids who cooked, but also a lesson in *gemilut chassadim* (acts of loving kindness) as they prepared enough cookies and cereal mix to share with our members who live in assisted-living facilities or who live at home but do not get out as often as they once did.

Now our challenge is to keep the teamwork going. *Chai Mitzvah*, Shabbat dinners from around the world, our Valencia Center reading program, and more will all require participation from parents and friends of the Religious School. Watch your mailboxes (standard and electronic) for details about all of these programs that I highlighted last month – along with the Religious School Fundraiser that we hope to have on Sunday night, February 8. Join the team by calling me to see how you can be involved!

L'shalom,

Helaine Braunig



We proudly
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ISJL
Curriculum



Simcha Shabbat



Please join us each month when we bless and honor those who will be celebrating a **birthday** or **anniversary** during the month. If your birthday or anniversary is in **January** we will celebrate and honor you **January 2, 2015** during services and have a special Oneg Shabbat following services. If your birthday or anniversary is in **February** your Simcha Shabbat will be **February 6, 2015**.

It is a mitzvah for us to celebrate together.

Please make sure that the office knows your birthday and anniversary dates. If you are not on our birthday and anniversary list in the bulletin, it means we do not have your information.

Faith on Film at Robinson Theatre with Rabbi Jana



The Robinson Film Center begins the new Faith on Film series at 6 p.m. January 8 with a screening of "The Homesman" followed by a faith-based dialogue. Advanced ticket purchase is encouraged.

The series brings together area clergy members from different religions and denominations to have a conversation about film through the lens of their faiths. The first dialogue on January 8 will be led by B'nai Zion Congregation's Rabbi Jana De Benedetti and the Simple Church Pastor Justin Haigler. It is an opportunity for the whole community to explore the spiritual side of movies.

Medicine Mitzvah-Interfaith Pharmacy

Now that the headaches of the holidays are past, the cold season begins. Please consider donating non-expired over the counter pain killers, cold symptom relief medications, or lozenges so that the Interfaith Pharmacy can provide them to those in need. All throughout the month of January, we will collect these drugs at B'nai Zion and get them to the Interfaith Pharmacy. Help us keep our community healthy.

The Northwest Louisiana Interfaith Pharmacy provides free, life-sustaining medications to individuals who lack the resources to pay. Our service strategy is a regional community-wide volunteer effort in which services are provided in an environment of caring concern preserving the dignity of those served and promoting the health of our community.

The Vision of the Northwest Louisiana Interfaith Pharmacy is for the uninsured in our community to have access to prescription medicines so they may regain and stabilize their health to maintain their jobs, their residences and their independence.

B'nai Zion can do medical *mitzvot* by donating our time, helping financially, helping in their community garden, or by donating medications. If you no longer need a prescription, and it has not expired, bring it to the Interfaith Pharmacy or to B'nai Zion and we will get it to them. They cannot accept narcotic medications. This can include medications of loved ones who have died. If you want to bring expired medications, the pharmacy can dispose of them properly and safely.



Tot Shabbat

Children who are pre-readers and their families (and anyone who enjoys not having to sit still during services), please join us in the Sanctuary for Tot Shabbat, **9:00-9:30 Saturday, January 10, 2015** when we will be boinging and singing together. Rabbi Jana will lead singing, dancing, marching, happy Shabbat service, and tell a story each month. See you there!



Kroger Rewards



If you shop at Kroger, a percentage of the sale can be donated to B'nai Zion, if you register in the Community Rewards Program, and then use your Kroger Rewards card at checkout. Hundreds of dollars each year is given to B'nai Zion by Kroger. For your shopping to help B'nai Zion you must register online by entering **B'nai Zion's unique code number, 83728** at www.krogercommunityrewards.com. If you do not have a computer, the B'nai Zion office can help you register for the program. We no longer can use the UPC code to register our purchases.

Another change is that Kroger will pay the bonus to our congregation quarterly instead of annually. **Nine households that shopped at Kroger between 8/31/2014 and 11/29/2014 have allowed us to receive a \$65.02 total donation for this quarter.** We look forward to being able to continue to report our earnings, and hope that everyone who shops at Kroger registers with B'nai Zion's code. You can ask your friends who shop at Kroger to use our code as well. You don't have to be a member of B'nai Zion to participate.

Thank you for your help in this easy fundraising opportunity for B'nai Zion.

People of the Book Club

The schedule for the People of the Book club is:



7:00 PM Tuesday, January 13 *The Museum of Extraordinary Things* by Alice Hoffman- The story is set in the early 20th century and is framed by two events: the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire in New York City and something that happens at a Coney Island freak show (not a politically correct term today, but that's what it was called in the Amazon review.) The book was favorably reviewed in *Hadassah Magazine*.

Tuesday, February 10 *Ruby of Cochin* by Ruby Daniel and Barbara Johnson - a memoir that will help us learn about Jewish life in India.

Tuesday, March 10 *In the Courtyard of the Kabbalist* by Ruchama Feuerman - this book was a finalist for the 2013 National Jewish Book Award. It is set in Jerusalem and is about a New York man who moves to Israel and gets connected with an old rabbi who dispenses wisdom to those who surround him. A Muslim man enters the story, but according to the *New York Review of Books* this is not a typical Jewish-Muslim or

Israeli-Arab kind of story.

Watch your email for updates and changes.

Shabbat Shira–A Musical Shabbat



This year in honor of the Shabbat when we read the Song of the Sea in our Torah portion, we will experience Jewish music from around the world during our Shabbat services. Rabbi Jana has made it a tradition to have an all musical service for Shabbat *Shira* – the Sabbath of Song. If you are musical and would like to participate, or if you know special Jewish songs from around the world, please contact Rabbi Jana as soon as possible. If you love music, you will love Shabbat *Shira* at B'nai Zion. Please join us Friday, January 30 at 6:00 PM or Saturday, January 31 at 11:00 AM, for a Jewish musical spiritual journey.

16th Annual World Religion Day

January 25 2015
The Highland Center
520 Olive Street, 1-5 PM

Keynote Speaker ~ John Mitchell

John Mitchell is a co-founder of the World Religion Day in Shreveport/Bossier City, and is a member of the Spiritual Assembly of the Bahai's, the faith that originated and perpetuates World Religion Day.



The purpose of World Religion Day is “to foster world peace, harmony, and understanding. We, the members of various world religions, will establish an area-wide observance of World Religion Day. We will accomplish these goals through education and communication via exhibits and demonstrations of music, spirituality, cultural foods and arts. We will offer information about origins, basic beliefs, religious feasts, and observances in a manner fully respectful of everyone's beliefs without intent to proselytize or convert.”

If you are interested in helping during World Religion Day, please contact the Jewish Federation office.

Please come to show Jewish support for this event, and learn about other religions.

In honor of World Religion Day, Rabbi Jana will speak at All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, 9449 Ellerbee Road, Sunday, January 25 at worship services beginning at 11:00 AM. You are all invited to attend.

Jewish War Veterans Post 581



The January meeting of the Fred Sklar Jewish War Veterans Post will be January **25** at 2 p.m. at B'nai Zion. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting and you do not have to be a veteran to participate in our programs.

We typically meet the second Sunday of the month, but the previous week is the regional meeting in New Orleans. We plan to present information from the conference, and discuss our local by-laws.

Elsewhere in the bulletin you can see pictures from our very successful Christmas Mitzvah project.

Special thanks to everyone who made an effort to spend time with our local veterans:

Bill Braunig and Billy Braunig, Chris Brown, Debbie Caminker, Electra Churchill, Rich Dechowitz, Caroline and Cole and Larry and Leigh Anne Evensky, Kris Haas, Ro Myers, Fred Phillips, Mark Slutsky, and Rabbi Jana.

Thanks!

Chris Brown

Grow Your Judaism: Chai Mitzvah

If you want to grow as a Jew, you need a group to gather with to encourage you, and you need to work on your own to increase your education, ritual, and social action commitment. Chai Mitzvah is a program we are beginning at



B'nai Zion that is designed to do all of these and more. Make a commitment to meet with a group once a month for 9 months, and make a commitment to grow your Judaism in individual, personal ways.

If you are interested in participating in or learning more about this program, please contact Rabbi Jana or Helaine. We are beginning our first Chai Mitzvah group with meetings the weekend of January 9-11. Contact us for more details. There is more information about Chai Mitzvah online at: www.chaimitzvah.org

Henry S. Jacobs Camp is Coming to B'nai Zion

There is new leadership at Jacobs Camp. Some things will stay the same, but there are exciting new things happening. Come to B'nai Zion Sunday January 11 during Religious School when there will be a new representative to tell us about camp plans for the summer. As always, a video of camp will be shown, with special guest appearances by our own campers. One of the most important things we do to ensure the future of Judaism is to send our children to Jewish camp, and support the Jewish camping experience. Come see what it is all about.



Shabbat Dinners Around the World Start January 30th

We love enjoying Shabbat dinners together at B'nai Zion. This year we are planning to experience a variety of cuisines representing Jews in different parts of the world. We are looking forward to experiencing Jewish culture and food around the world, while enjoying each other's company, and celebrating Shabbat together.

We begin our culinary journey with a Sephardic dinner after Shabbat Shira services Friday, January 30.

In order to ensure that we have enough food and seating for everyone, your payment is required by January 21.

Shabbat Dinner 1/30/14	Number in Your Group	By 12/21 Deadline	LATE After 1/21/14	Total \$
Member		\$12	\$18	
Student 13 and above		\$8	\$12	
Child Age 5-12		\$5	\$8	
Non-Member		Add \$5 to above	Add \$5 to above	
All Children under 5		\$0	\$0	
TOTALS:				

Please fill in the number of people in your group and calculate total amount due.

There will be no reserved seating.

SPECIAL NEEDS: Wheelchair, highchair, dietary, etc. Please specify: _____.

Pay by cash, check or credit card payment to B'nai Zion.



December to Remember



Many thanks to the wonderful cooks who pitched in so that we could share potato latkes with our Religious School, the assisted living communities, and our members who are not able to get out and join their congregations as Chanukah was celebrated in their house of worship. A special thanks to Rabbi Jana who helped organized the assisted living programs and to Margaret Rifkin who brought the taste of Chanukah to our shut-ins.

The Federation office is open from 9:30 a.m. – noon on the Sundays Religious School is in session. Please stop by and visit. The Executive Director is also in the office during the week. If you need to see or speak with Kathy during the week please call in advance to arrange a time.

The Federation telephone number is 868-1200.

Kathy Plante, Executive Director of the North Louisiana Jewish Federation



Our new Jewish War Veterans Fred Sklar Post gathered at B'nai Zion then went to the VA hospital for a "Christmas Mitzvah." We had a great turnout, with participants spanning the ages, and more non-veterans than veterans helping. Albertson's, Kroger, and Jimmy Johns donated the food we handed out to everyone at the hospital. In fact, we had too much food, and a small group brought the extras to new NW Louisiana Veterans Home. We brought some joy into their lives, and expressed how grateful we are for their service. It felt like a holy day for the JWV post and friends.



December to Remember



Tammy and Kathy shared their birthday celebration with us at services and during the Oneg Shabbat. We had a packed sanctuary with new and old friends, and wonderful food.



Chanukah Shabbat was wonderful. Despite the ugly weather, and the lack of heat, we got to celebrate Shabbat together for the first time in the new sanctuary. It was a delightful evening with friends, family, and new faces.



Rabbi Jana was singing, telling stories, lighting a Chanukiyah, and sharing latkes, sufganiyot (donuts), and dreidels at a different Retirement Home almost every night of Chanukah - hosted by the North Louisiana Jewish Federation. Thanks to everyone who made the latkes, got the sufganiyot, and helped us serve the food, sing the songs, spin the dreidels, and tell the story. The Jewish residents in each place got to share Chanukah with their non-Jewish neighbors. We had some congregants who joined us as well each night. It was a joyous and fun way to celebrate Chanukah together. We look forward to continuing this tradition every year. Sorry we didn't take pictures everywhere.



☆ B'nai Zion Donations ☆

Today's Date: _____

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If you are not a member of B'nai Zion, please provide mailing address:

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TO: Please inform: _____ of the donation

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Appropriate acknowledgements will be sent to inform those recognized with your donation (\$18 minimum suggested).

Donations will be listed in the bulletin.

☐ DO NOT PRINT DONATION IN BULLETIN

Flower donations are read at worship services (\$18 minimum suggested per listing)

DATES TO BE READ: _____

☐ DO NOT READ AT SERVICES

Call the Office (318-861-2122) to pay by Credit Card or Make Check Payable to **B'nai Zion Congregation** for any of these funds:

S	Fund	Purpose
	GENERAL	Wherever it is needed most
	BUILDING AND GROUNDS	Repair and upkeep of the building and the landscaping
	CEMETERY	Upkeep, cleaning, and maintenance of the cemetery plots
	ENDOWMENT	Investment in the future of B'nai Zion
	LIBRARY	Purchase new reading materials
	MUSIC	Music salaries, instruments, and new music
	RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY	Tzedakah needs as the Rabbi deems appropriate
	RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	Education scholarships, supplies and equipment
	RENOVATION FUND	Help support plans to renovate our sanctuary
	PLAQUES	Wall of Honor or Memorial Light Plaques (call office for info)
	PRAYER BOOK	Varies with need, such as Prayer books or Torah books
	SCHOLARSHIPS	Assistance to pay for a Jewish camp experience or other needs
	WE CARE	Provide food and comfort for our members in illness or mourning

B'nai Zion Sisterhood

	FLOWERS	Flowers that decorate worship services
	ONEG SHABBAT	Food and drink for after service refreshment
	WOMEN OF REFORM JUDAISM	B'nai Zion Sisterhood dues or donations

B'nai Zion Brotherhood

	BROTHERHOOD	Men's Club of B'nai Zion dues or donations
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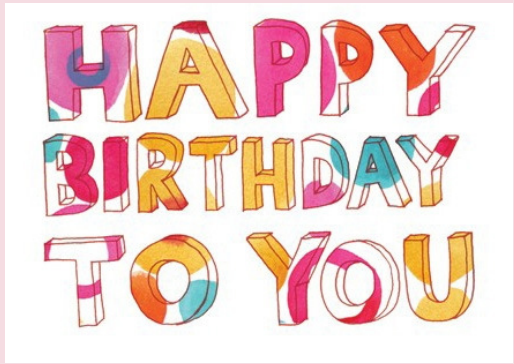
Make Check Payable to **B'nai Zion Foundation** for Foundation donations:

	FOUNDATION	Capital improvements necessary to maintain the Temple facilities
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January Birthdays

- 1. Gabriele Kappers
- 1. Margaret Rifkin
- 5. Sharon Goldman
- 5. Natalya Murov
- 8. Perry Hyman
- 10. Diane Dufilho
- 14. Cindy Marrus
- 14. Zena Gordon Allen
- 14. Asher Nierman
- 15. Sheila Lawrence
- 16. Glen Watkins



- 19. Ardis Robison II
- 20. Abigail Frierson
- 20. Carl Goodman
- 23. Grant Nuckolls
- 26. Donna Greengus
- 26. Kathleen Somer
- 27. Max De Benedetti
- 27. Rachel Holman
- 29. Joe Badt Jr.
- 31. Gabrielle Miller
- 31. Jeanie Ward

We give thanks for life, for health, for all that sustains us, and for this joyous day.

**If you are not on the above list for current birthdays or anniversaries
it means that the office does not have your information.
Please provide the office with the appropriate month, date, and year to complete our data.**

Mazel Tov

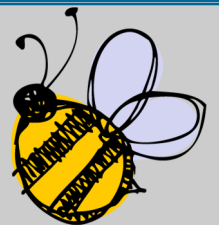
- ✧ **Sarah Abrams** graduated from the LSU College of Engineering. She will begin her career as a civil engineer with the firm of Brown and Gay Engineers in Houston, Texas. Fortunately, she will be located a short distance from her brother **Carson**, who is a petroleum engineer with ConocoPhillips. Proud parents are **Gary and Nancy Abrams**.
- ✧ **Evelyn ("Evie") Gabriel Perlman** is the new daughter of Lee and Ginny Perlman. Proud grandparents are **Francine and Jerry Perlman**.
- ✧ **Edward Michael Rubin** is the new son of **Jack and Stephanie Rubin**. Proud Grandparents are **Harvey and Cheryl Rubin**.
- ✧ **Helen Weisman** is retired as of the end of December 2014.



Busy Bees at BZ - What Are We Planning?

Some of the things we are planning for February – hope you can join us or help us:

- ✧ Tu B'Shevat / the New Year for the Trees – how to celebrate during a Sh'mitah year without planting new trees.
- ✧ A Religious School Fundraiser is being planned
- ✧ An ISJL visit from our Education Fellow



Candle and Kiddush Blessers



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| January | 2 Margaret Rifkin and Mitch Newstadt |
| | 9 Evensky Family |
| | 16 Mimi Meriam and Sidney Kent |
| | 23 Laurie & Steve Levine |
| | 30 Shabbat Shira |

Tributes

BUILDING & GROUNDS FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Bobby Rosenfield
Shirley Seligman
Ester Nash Brodnax & Lawrence M. Shore
Shirley Seligman
Joanne Vedlitz
Shirley Seligman

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FOR THE COMPLETE RECOVERY OF:

Dot Kaplan
Dorothy & Bernard Lobel

IN HONOR OF THE B'NOT MITZVAH:

Grayson Nash
McKenzie Nash
Carol Ginsburg

IN HONOR OF THE BIRTHDAY OF:

Kathy Plante
Dorothy & Bernard Lobel
Tammy Courtney
Dorothy & Bernard Lobel

CEMETERY FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Frank Katzenstein
Herman Van Os
Paul Shapiro
Jacqueline Fleschman

ENDOWMENT FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Joanne Selber Vedlitz
Rachel & Mandel Selber, Jr.
John Meyer
Gloria Meyer



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IN HONOR OF:

Bertha Feldman
Larry Feldman, Jr.

IN HONOR OF THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY:

Harriett & Imy Marcus
Marcia Katzenstein

IN HONOR OF THE BIRTHDAY OF:

Kathy Plante
Marcia Katzenstein
Cecile Murov
Sue & David Rubenstein
Tammy Courtney
Marcia Katzenstein
Cecile Murov
Sue & David Rubenstein

IN HONOR OF THE COMPLETE RECOVERY OF:

Dot Kaplan
Cecile Murov
Carolyn Murov
Cecile Murov

IN MEMORY OF:

Betty Cahn Grant
George A. Baldwin, Jr.
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Cecile Murov
Joanne Vedlitz
Cecile Murov
Susan Murov
Mary Anne & Leonard Selber
Dede & Connie Weil
Larry Feldman
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Shirley Seligman

May God Console:

Family and Friends of



☆ *Leona Lefkowitz, wife of the late Rabbi David Lefkowitz, Jr., mother of Dr. David Lefkowitz, III, Dr. Helen Horowitz, and Henry Lefkowitz.*

☆ *Phyllis Stepongzi, wife of Frank Stepongzi, mother of Sandra, Chrissi, and Frank, Jr.*

☆ *Joel Vernon*

May Their Memory Be A Blessing

Tributes

MUSIC FUND

FOR THE COMPLETE RECOVERY OF:

Carolyn Murov
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WITH GRATITUDE TO:

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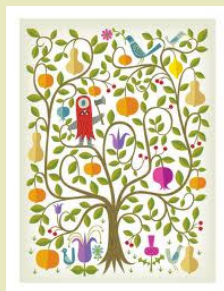
Rabbi Jana De Benedetti
Donald and Gloria Rosen

IN HONOR OF THE BIRTHDAY OF:

Kathy Plante
Mimi Meriam
Tammy Courtney
Mimi Meriam

IN MEMORY OF:

John Meyer
Henry Brenner
Gertrude Siegel Scheinberg
Mimi Meriam



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

FOR THE COMPLETE RECOVERY OF:

Bob Gordon
Pauline Murov & Ruthie Nierman

IN HONOR OF THE B'NOT MITZVAH OF:

Grayson Nash
McKenzie Nash
Amy Quinn

IN HONOR OF THE BIRTHDAY OF:

Kathy Plante
Pauline Murov & Ruthie Nierman
Tammy Courtney
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IN HONOR OF THE PROMOTION OF:

Alison Bath
Tammy & Larry Courtney

IN HONOR OF THE RETIREMENT OF:

Fred Marks
Pauline Murov & Ruthie Nierman

RENOVATION FUND

IN HONOR OF B'NAI ZION:

Marion Weiss

IN HONOR OF THE B'NOT MITZVAH OF:

Grayson & McKenzie Nash
Angie Noelani

IN HONOR OF THE BAR MITZVAH OF:

Garrett Brainis
Angie Noelani

IN HONOR OF THE BIRTHDAY OF:

Kathy Plante
Peggy & Leroy Nuckolls
Margaret Rifkin
Angie Noelani
Sheila Lawrence
Angie Noelani

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN HONOR OF THE BIRTHDAY OF:

Kathy Plante
Helaine & Bill Braunig
Berte & Ike Muslow
Tammy Courtney
Helaine & Bill Braunig

WE CARE FUND

IN HONOR OF THE BIRTHDAY OF:

Kathy Plante
Shirley Seligman
Tammy Courtney
Shirley Seligman

IN MEMORY OF:

Jane Brewster
Shirley Seligman
John Meyer
Shirley Seligman

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B'nai Zion Schedules

Shabbat Schedule

Friday Evening Service - 6:00 PM
Saturday Torah Study - 9:45 AM
Saturday Morning Service - 11:00 AM



Office Hours

Monday through Friday 9 AM-2 PM
No Business on Shabbat or Holidays
Call for appointment to meet with the Rabbi

Yahrzeits

Dec 28-January 3, 2015

Louis M. Bodenheimer
 Bertha H. Cheatham *
 Norman N. Fein
 Edith Gerson
 Rabbi Ronald Myron Goldstein
 Arnold Hermer *
 Herman L. Herold
 Sidney L. Herold
 Fred S. Holman
 Jack Katzenstein
 Regina B. Kaufman *
 Harry Krandle
 Hilda Levi
 Gwen Murov
 Harold Murov *
 Joseph S. Murov *
 Stella Phillips *
 Alexander Rifkin
 Hyman Schuster
 Sarah Schuster
 Horace Simon, Sr.

January 4-10

Theresa M. Arrant *
 Harold B. Baron
 Jacob Barron *
 Lucile Bodenheimer
 Paul Brainis
 Etta Freyer
 Sylvian W. Gamm *
 Bella Gold
 Bertha Gold
 Bernice Herman
 Henry Sour Katzenstein
 Israel Kosovitz
 Nathan Kranson
 David Levy *
 Gershon Marcus *
 Lazar Murov *
 Naomi Murov
 Lillian Strug Rambach
 Robert E. Redstone, Sr.
 Norma Sadoff

* Denotes Memorial Plaque

January 11-17

Lou P. Ellison *
 Albert Elmer
 Martin Feldman
 Joseph Slaughter Frankel *
 Kenneth Gompertz *
 Adeline M. Hermer *
 June Herold
 Elsa K. Kent *
 Fannie Klumok
 Irwin Muslow *
 Robert David Pesses *
 Debra W. Richardson
 Everett Rubenstein *
 Morris Schuster *
 Rose Seligman
 Jane Blumenthal Steiner *

January 18-24

George Abrams
 Larry Abrams
 Ben Blumberg *
 Henry E. Cahn *
 Genevieve Cowan
 Harry Ehrlich *
 Burnhardt W. Fane *
 William G. Fellman *
 Ruth Frankel
 Shirley Freyer *
 Isabel Goldman
 Ruth Goldsholl
 Harriet Goldsmith
 Felice Flaxman Harris
 Herbert Loeb
 Stella Loeb *
 Hannah Marx *
 Sophie Meisel *
 Vera Miller
 Isaac Muslow *
 Marvin Muslow *
 Micah Ross Newstadt *
 Jacob Novek
 Lee Ellen Oglethorpe
 Louis Schwartz
 Morris J. Weiss
 Sydney Willer
 Sam Zadeck *

January 25-31












Ruby S. Blumenthal
 Cecile Lemle Childs
 Josephine B. Cohen
 Benjamin B. Eltis
 Zelda Finkelstein
 Carol L. Gamm *
 Paul Gardsbane
 Goldie Williams Heine
 Joe Kahn
 Esther A. Kaufman *
 Serretta Krom
 Sadie L. Kuperman *
 Miriam Levine
 Lillian A. Mandel
 Max Morris
 Hyman Muslow *
 Armand Roos, Jr *
 Jack Ruben *
 Morris Ruben
 Sophie Ruben
 Melvin Steiner *
 Thelma Winkler



The tradition at B'nai Zion is to say Kaddish on the Shabbat following the Yahrzeit. If the anniversary of your loved one's death is on a Wednesday, for example, we would read their name on the Friday and Saturday following that Wednesday. Each family member can choose to remember the Yahrzeit according the Hebrew or English calendar's date of death.

*May Their Memories
 Be A Blessing*

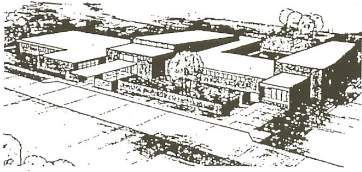
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 10th of Tevet  Happy New Year 2015	2 11th of Tevet  SIMCHA SHABBAT Service 6 PM 5:03	3 12th of Tevet Va-y'chi Gen. 47:28-50:26 I Kings 2:1-2:12 Torah Study 9:45 AM Service II AM 5:40
4 13th of Tevet NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	5 14th of Tevet	6 15th of Tevet	7 16th of Tevet	8 17th of Tevet Faith on Film at Robinson 6 pm "Homesman" Rabbi Jana Clergy Presenter  Deadline to Register for Rabbi Jana's class	9 18th of Tevet CHAI MITZVAH KICKOFF Service 6 PM 5:09	10 19 of Tevet CHAI MITZVAH KICKOFF  TOT SHABBAT 9-9:30 AM Sh'mot Exod. 1:1-6:1 Isaiah 27:6-28:13 Torah Study 9:45 AM Service II AM 5:46
11 20 of Tevet CHAI MITZVAH KICKOFF H.S. Jacobs Presentation During Rel Sch Rabbi Jana Hebrew from Day One in One Day 2-6 pm	12 21 of Tevet	13 22 of Tevet Book club 7 p.m. 	14 23 of Tevet NLJF Board Meeting 6 p.m.	15 24 of Tevet  BULLETIN DEADLINE	16 25 of Tevet Service 6 PM 5:15	17 26 of Tevet Va-eira Exod. 6:2-9:35 Ezek. 28:55-29:31 Torah Study 9:45 AM Service II AM 5:52
18 27 of Tevet NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	19 28 of Tevet	20 29 of Tevet BZ BOARD MEETING 6:30 pm 	21 1st of Sh'vat ROSH CHODESH SH'VAT Shabbat Dinner Deadline	22 2 of Sh'vat	23 3 of Sh'vat Service 6 PM 5:23	24 4 of Sh'vat Bo Exod 10:1-13:16 Jerem. 46:13-25 Torah Study 9:45 AM Service II AM 5:58
25 5th of Sh'vat World Religion Day 1-5 pm  Rabbi Jana at All Souls 11am JWV @ BZ 2pm	26 6th of Sh'vat	27 7th of Sh'vat International Holocaust Remembrance Day 	28 8th of Sh'vat	29 9th of Sh'vat	30 10 of Sh'vat WORLD JUDAISM SHABBAT DINNER  Shabbat Shira Service 6 PM 5:28	31 11 of Sh'vat  Shabbat Shira Exod 13:17-17:16 Judges 4:4-5:31 Torah Study 9:45 AM Service II AM 6:05

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The heating unit in the sanctuary is being replaced. We have small heaters in the room, but typically the temperature is about 65 degrees Friday evening for services.

We are told the new unit should be installed before the end of the month.

Thank you for your patience and understanding, and to everyone who contributes to the B'nai Zion Foundation, which allows us to repair and maintain our aging facility.

