

The *BuzZ* at BZ

News From B'nai Zion Congregation in Shreveport, LA

☆ February 2018 / Sh'vat ~ Adar 5778 ☆



From Rabbi Jana

Don't Come as You Are

Sometimes melodies get stuck in my head. The colloquial expression for this is an “ear worm.” That is not a pleasant thought - having a worm in my ear. The phenomenon has other names. The name I prefer is “Stuck Song Syndrome.”

Lately I keep hearing the songs from the Shabbat Shira service in my head. I have never sung opera before, but Spencer Reichman selected songs he thought would be appropriate for the service, and asked all of the singers to join him, for some songs. He asked me to sing one of the parts for the opera selection. I have sung in choirs before, but I never sang opera. It was a wonderful experience for me. I got to step out of my normal singing mode.

As I prep for Purim, I have had another “jingle” in my head: Many of you will remember that the U.S. Army had a recruiting theme that was “Be all that you can be.” I found out that it was their theme for twenty years.

In many ways, that is Judaism's theme too - although we say, “L'havdil” (which means to make a distinction between things that really don't go together). I don't mean that Judaism teaches us to be military folks - although there are a lot of successful military Jews. It reminds me of another ear worm of a song (“*B'makom*”) that we sang often in youth group that translates to: In a place where no one is being a “*mensch*” (behaving like decent people), try to be a *mensch*. That quote from Rabbi Hillel seems like a Jewish version of “Be all that you can be.”

At Purim we get to be all kinds of things that we can be. We can put on the costume of a superhero, and feel more powerful. We can disguise ourselves and try out an alter ego. We can wear a costume and have fun when people see us as someone/something else.

Many Jewish holidays encourage us to think about striving to be better. I don't mean that we have been horrible people and need to be better (although that may be true). At holidays we get to step out of our normal routine, and we get to reflect and consider ways we can be better and make the world better. I don't think of this as striving for perfection. I don't see that as a Jewish goal at all. In the Torah in the first Creation story, G-d says that it was “good,” and even “very good,” without focusing on making things perfect.

For the High Holy Days the focus is on mistakes we made or goals that we didn't achieve and try to find ways to improve, by making sure we turn around to when we were good. We celebrate the creation of the world and of humanity, and we take responsibility to help keep the world “good.” At Purim we get to imagine ourselves as the heroes in the Esther story. We get to save the day, or save our people. We realize that ordinary people can do extraordinary things, and it doesn't take extraordinary effort. It simply means that we step up to “Be all that we can be.” In the morning we woke up as a person who is going to school/work, and is trying to do a good job and get through the day. Then we put on our costume, and come to a Purim celebration, and get to be someone else. The change you choose for yourself could be funny, or creative, or outlandish, or heroic. It is really helpful to sometimes get to be someone else. If nothing else, it is a wonderful break from the everyday routine.

I hope that once the costume gets put away, you have new enthusiasm to be a mensch where there are no mensches. I hope that you see that you should be all that you can be. We are commanded to be holy, because G-d is holy. This seems like a commandment to be all we can be.

I am not saying that everyone should be dressed as superheroes, or as the characters from the Esther story. I just hope that you come to the Purim celebrations, but don't come as you are... be all that you can be. Maybe I will come as an opera singer... maybe not - I already did that. I need a different disguise.

May this be a time of inspiration for you, Bivrakha (with blessing),

Rabbi Dr. Jana De Benedetti



From our President, Gary Abrams



At the recent program that Helaine and the ISJL brought to us during the MLK weekend, two things stuck in my mind. The director of the program began several instructions with "As Jews, what do we think about....?" The beginning of the sentence was followed by social justice or other worldwide humanity issues. However, that "As Jews" portion of the sentence really means as Modern Reform Jews. I don't know if we can lump Conservative, Orthodox and Reform views together. How about the views of Hasidic Jews or Jews in other countries of the world. How much of the Modern Reform views transcend all branches of Judaism? I think that the "Modern Reform"

push is toward social justice, recognizing the value of all forms of life and being good stewards of the planet. I think that part of what is great about the Reform Movement is that most of us focus more on the Social Action than on the rituals.

The second thing that struck me was how much evolution has occurred in our religion and in our religious views. Would we expect the members of the congregation 50 years ago or 100 years ago to have the exact same views that we have today? How about going back even farther to Abraham and Isaac? Abraham was elated to find a ram entangled in the nearby bush, so that he could sacrifice it to God. What part of that fits with modern Reform Judaism? Just like all of humanity, we as Jews and our views of Judaism have evolved into something better.

Shalom,

Gary Abrams



*The B'nai Zion Board meeting
will be 6:30 PM February 20*

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From Our Educator, Helaine Braunig

How happy I am to report that we had a very successful educational program for students and adults on the Sunday preceding Martin Luther King Day. Thanks to the creativity of the ISJL Community Engagement Department and the preparation and hard work of its fellows, Lizzi Meister and Rachel Glazer, a day that was set aside as a “vacation day” became a learning day for 24 adults and 24 children. Our adults had interesting discussions and fun art activities related to the creation of a more just world. Concurrently, students learned about Jews in other lands through lots of hands-on activities and music. This special program allowed teachers an opportunity they don’t have often: the chance to study and discuss and create with other adults. From the smiles on the faces of the kids who participated, I’d say they had fun as well. We thank Taylor Badt, Garrett Brainis, and Caroline Evensky for helping Lizzi with our younger students.



January was a particularly busy month since we also had visits from Jacobs Camp Assistant Director Joshua Posner and our ISJL Education Fellow, Kesler Friedman. We are so fortunate that our partnerships with regional organizations and our regional URJ camp bring such talented young people into our community.

February is another busy month with a trip to Birmingham for three of our 8th and 9th graders, who will be accompanied by Barbara and Curtis Joseph. The Birmingham trip has a civil rights focus, and we are grateful that our kids can join a trip that is planned by Ann Kientz, Educator of Temple Sinai in New Orleans. The kids are not the only ones who can learn about the history of the Civil Rights Movement in February. Thanks to an idea put forth by David Gross and Bob Lachman at Agudath Achim, we have our own Jewish community bus trip to Jackson to visit the new Civil Rights Museum scheduled for Sunday, February 18. Bill and I have signed up to go, and I hope many of you will join us. Finally, at the end of the month – Sunday, February 25 – the Federation and the Religious School will sponsor our annual Purim Carnival. On that day we have NO classes, just the Carnival that begins at 10:30 a.m., with lunch served at 11:30 a.m. Watch for details elsewhere in the bulletin. That leaves us just two Sundays for regular classes, so I urge parents to be sure your kids are here on February 4 and February 11.

As I inch closer to retirement from my Religious School responsibilities, I become more excited about the next phase of my Jewish life. I will have more time for regional interests like the Anti-Defamation League, Jacobs Camp, and the Institute of Southern Jewish Life. I also look forward to exploring new paths within B’nai Zion as we work to better connect members to each other and to meaningful service. I’m reading a book right now that has inspired me to focus not on leaving a legacy, but on living a legacy. I do hope that many of you will want to join me in exploring what that means.

In the meantime, I wish Mazel Tov to the families of Abby Katz and Gabrielle Miller who will become Bat Mitzvah in February. Also, I wish a very happy birthday to my mom, Ruthie Nierman, who turns 94 this month. I continue to try to become as thoughtful as she is toward those whose lives need a little brightening. And last, but certainly not least, I wish Bill a Happy Anniversary. We are celebrating 47 years together, with lots of “dividends” as my daddy would say were he still here!

L’shalom,

Helaine Braunig



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Monthly Events

TOGETHER TUESDAY:

Rabbi Jana believes that to make this world a better place, we have to get to know each other.

People of all faiths and backgrounds are invited and gather together the first Tuesday of each month. Please join us:

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6 AT 6 PM

We meet under the Texas Street Bridge in the Red River District (in front of the Bon Temps Coffee Bar, 450 Clyde Fant Memorial Parkway, or if the weather makes it uncomfortable to be outside, we meet inside the Coffee Bar)



PLEASE JOIN US AND INVITE YOUR FRIENDS

“Kiddush Shabbat” is the “Sanctification of Shabbat.” “KIDdush Shabbat” is a fun way for children to celebrate Shabbat.

Children and their families (and anyone who enjoys not having to sit still during services) please join us in the Sanctuary for KIDdush Shabbat.

Saturday February 10 9 - 9:30 AM

Rabbi Jana will lead a singing, dancing, marching, boinging, no-reading-necessary, great story, happy Shabbat service, followed by challah and grape juice Kiddush for KIDdush Shabbat.



The next meeting of the People of the Book Club will be 7 PM Tuesday, February 27 at The discussion will be about the book *The Fortune Teller's Kiss* by Brenda Serotte.

Brenda Serotte grew up in the Bronx, New York and was the youngest girl in a clan of Sephardic (Turkish) Jews. In 1954 she got polio, despite receiving the vaccine, and that ended her belly-dancing career, but only temporarily. The *Fortune Teller's Kiss* was the author's labor of love memoir in honor of her paternal grandmother, a well-known clairvoyant who once lived on the Lower East Side of Manhattan. Serotte is also well known as a poet.

The last Wednesday of each month Rabbi Jana leads a discussion called: “What Would You Do? Ethical Dilemmas from a Jewish Perspective.”

We plan to meet **Wednesday, February 28 from 2-3 PM** in The Tower Ballroom at the Oaks of Louisiana

This month we will be discussing Purim and the story of Esther

Refreshments are provided.

You do not have to live at The Oaks to come to the discussions.



One of the favorite things each week at B'nai Zion is the Torah Study. We begin at 9:45 AM by blessing the snacks and drinks, and say the blessing for studying Torah. The tables are setup in a square so that we can see each other to discuss the Torah portion of the week. Usually Rabbi Jana shows insightful videos or shares texts on the big screen TV. Typically there are congregants, people interested in becoming Jewish, and non-Jews who participate. There are some people who have been coming every week for years. Please join us.

Special Worship Services This Month



It is with great joy that we invite you
to join us as our daughter

Abigail Lilly Katz

is called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah
Friday, February 2nd at 6 PM at B'nai Zion Congregation
Shabbat Dinner following
Hosted by
Michelle and Sanford Katz

Simcha Shabbat will be 6 PM **February 9**, the second Friday of the month. (The first Friday is a Bat Mitzvah). We will honor and bless everyone with birthdays or anniversaries in February.



Gabrielle Miller

will help lead the service
6 PM Friday, February 16 and
will be called to the Torah as a
Bat Mitzvah

10:30 AM Saturday, February 17, 2018

Oneg Shabbat Friday and Kiddush Luncheon hosted by Gabby's Family

Spencer Reichman will lead the music and singing at services once a month this year.

Last month he coordinated the wonderful Shabbat Shira, musical service.

He currently plans to be our soloist on these dates:

- ♪ February 23
- ♪ April 27
- ♪ May 11



Shabbat Shira January 26, 2018

Special Events

Shreveport Jewish Community Bus Trip

B'nai Zion, the Agudath Achim Men's Club, and the North Louisiana Jewish Federation are sponsoring a bus trip to see the new and inspiring:



**Mississippi Civil Rights Museum
and the Museum of Mississippi History in Jackson
Sunday, February 18, 2018**

**Bus loading times: Agudath Achim 7:30 AM
B'nai Zion 7:45 AM**

Cost: \$10 adult, \$5 youth (18 and under)

Fee includes cost of museums and roundtrip transportation to Jackson.

Seats on the bus are available on a first-come first-served basis.

Your check is your reservation.

Beginning February 1st, all remaining seats will be made available to the broader Shreveport/Bossier community. Cost: \$50 per person.

We will stop for lunch before visiting the museum and have dinner after the event on our way home. Individuals are responsible for their own lunch & dinner restaurant expenses.

Purim is a Different Kind of Holiday



The story of Esther is read every year for Purim. A very brave Jewish woman saves the Jewish people. She doesn't begin the story knowing she will have to be a hero. In fact, she begins by disguising herself — one meaning of the name Esther is "hidden" or "disguised." She hides her Jewish identity. To honor her role in saving Persian Jewry, Jews all over the world disguise ourselves each year and celebrate on Purim. You can wear a costume and be totally unrecognizable. We recently started a costume-custom to wear the colors of your favorite sports team — or disguise yourself by wearing the colors of an opposing team. Or get creative and try to be someone else.

We will have a crazy fun rendition of Esther's story at services on Friday, March 2 at 6 p.m. followed by a special Oneg Shabbat. Come disguised. Come ready to celebrate. And bring the children — they like to dress in costumes too.

Bring noisemakers, or use our gragers.

You can wear the same costumes that you wore at the Purim Carnival February 25, or disguise yourself all over again.

For more details about Purim Celebrations, look for the sections that are disguised by being upside-down.

Pictures from Recent Events



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B'nai Zion Congregation
PASSOVER SEDER

Conducted by Rabbi Dr. Jana De Benedetti

March 30, 2018 / 15 Nisan 5778

Friday 7:15 PM

at B'nai Zion

Seder Meal prepared by Sisterhood
 Chopped Liver, Matza Ball Soup
 Green Salad

Chicken ☆ Brisket ☆ Vegetarian
 Vegetable Sides ☆ Dessert



Early Bird Pricing by March 6

Reservation Deadline is March 15 *(see below for rates)*

After March 15 there is no guarantee for space and an additional fee is charged for meals



Please complete the section below and submit it to the B'nai Zion Office with your payment

Reservation: Name _____ Phone _____

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

Passover 2018 Rates for Attendees	Number in Your Group	Veggie Meal	Early Bird by Mar 6	Deadline Pay By Mar 15	LATE Pay After Mar 15	Total \$
Member			\$40	\$45	\$50	
Age 5-12			\$15	\$18	\$20	
Students 13 and above			\$18	\$20	\$25	
Non-Member			\$50	\$50	\$50	
Non-Member Students 5+			\$18	\$20	\$25	
All Children under 5			\$0	\$0	\$0	
TOTALS:						

There will be reserved seating. Every effort will be made to honor your seating request.

We would like to be seated with: _____.

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

Make Check Payable to B'nai Zion. To pay     with go online, call the office, or Fill in Here:

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Leftovers, if there are any, will be available for sale Sunday, April 1

ALL FREE
Sponsored by the North Louisiana Jewish Federation
See you there/here

BZ Hamantaschen!

Bounce Houses Interactive Games for All Ages
Face Painting Balloon Animals
Cake Walk Snacks Prizes



A Mediterranean feast starts at 11:30

**Sunday February 25th
10:30 AM-1:00 PM**

**JOIN US for our
Annual Jewish Community Purim Party**



Young and Old One and All

Plant Trees at B'nai Zion, and Other Tree News

Join John-Paul Young planting fruit trees on the grounds of B'nai Zion.

Planting will be on 2 PM Sunday, February 18.

It would be helpful if you bring shovels and garden gloves. Meet in the fenced area across the parking lot from the Schuster Meditation Garden in the back of B'nai Zion.

John Paul recently came to the Religious School to help with our Tu B'Sh'vat tree planting. He is a young man who is undertaking the planting of 1,000 fruit trees around the Shreveport area to provide food, and to teach about sustainable agricultural practices and their effect on water conservation and more.

John Paul is also helping B'nai Zion register our precious old trees as Historic Trees. Watch for details about the process, and how we can officially register names for the trees.

B'nai Zion has also hired Barron's Tree Service to trim some trees and remove some dead trees on our property. That work is scheduled to be completed during February.

The picture shown to the right is of the three skinny new trees that John Paul planted near the Religious School wing. The shadow behind them looks like they are imagining what they will be like when they are grown.



Holocaust Literary Competition for Students



The Shreveport / Bossier City area has had a Holocaust Remembrance Service for 34 years. In recent years there has been a Literary Competition for students to write essays and/or poetry and be able to enter their compositions to win prizes.

This year the competition includes separate prompts for Middle School, High School and College Students. The deadline for submission is March 1st. The prompts (topics to write about) and other details about the service and the competition can be found at:

www.holocaustremembranceservice.org, or contact the Jewish Federation, or Rabbi Jana.

- Please help make sure that every middle school, high school, and college student in the area knows about this literary competition.

- Please help by donating, or finding organizations or individuals to donate in order to cover the expenses of the event and the awards.

Each teacher who has students submit entries receives a \$25 gift card. Any teacher who has three of their students attend the service with them will receive a \$25 gift card. The prizes for students range from \$500 to \$50.

The North Louisiana Jewish Federation has helped coordinate and sponsor the annual Holocaust Remembrance Service, which this year will be 3 PM April 15 at Brown Memorial Chapel at Centenary College. The Chair for this year's event is the new President of Centenary College, Dr. Christopher L. Holomon.

Make a Difference: Donate Books

There are a few new opportunities to make a difference by donating books, or money to buy books.



Seventh and eighth grade students have built a bookshelf for members of the Jewish community to fill with outgrown or otherwise unwanted books, especially those with Jewish content. Take a look at your bookshelves, see if you have something you would like to share! When you are dropping off books, browse and see if there's something you want to read. You are welcome to keep the books you select, or return them.



The Step Forward Little Free Library project is a collaborative effort to build home libraries for emerging young readers in Northwest Louisiana, where approximately 65 percent of children live in socioeconomically disadvantaged households.

B'nai Zion is partnering with Step Forward to help stock the Little Free Library in Cedar Grove at Adkins Elementary. Please bring children's books - new or gently used - or donate money to buy new books for the Free Library.

These Free Libraries are opportunities for children to read and keep the books they find. At B'nai Zion we need especially Jewish books, and at Adkins Library we need general interest books.

Security at B'nai Zion



The B'nai Zion Board has decided to have a security guard at Friday services, Saturday Torah Study and service, and Sundays when Religious School is in session. Just like for the High Holy Days, our guards are from the Shreveport Police force.

There have not been any specific threats. Many congregations have had extra security.

The officers look forward to getting to know our congregants.

Kroger Community Rewards

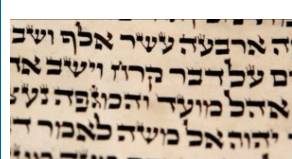
Thank you to everyone who is participating in the Kroger Rewards program. So far, 25 shoppers who shopped at Kroger between August 1 through November 30, 2017 have helped earn a **\$72.28** contribution from Kroger to B'nai Zion.

If you are not participating in the Kroger Rewards program, and if you ever shop at Kroger, please sign up for the program. You no longer need a special bar code and you no longer need to sign up each year. There is a link to sign up for the Kroger program on the B'nai Zion website, or you can contact the B'nai Zion office to help you sign up.



Learn Biblical Hebrew with Rabbi Jana

Rabbi Jana will teach a ten-week Beginners' Biblical Hebrew class 6-7:30 Thursdays, beginning February 22.



Biblical Hebrew is not only valuable to study the Torah and the rest of the Hebrew Scriptures in their original, but it is a foundation for Liturgical and Conversational Hebrew as well. The tuition is \$54 for the course. Textbooks and materials are not included. Contact Rabbi Jana with any questions, or go to www.HebrewDoc.com for information, and a registration form.

February Birthdays and Anniversaries

1 Norman Lepow
 1 Susan Meyer
 2 Tina Kallenberg
 4 Avi Guthikonda
 4 Ann Maxey
 4 Patti Parker
 5 Josiah Brooks
 5 Brandy Greer
 5 Ruthie Nierman
 6 Maddy Myers
 7 ♥ Helaine & William Braunig, Jr.
 7 Ellen McGovern
 10 David Hecker
 10 Bernard Lobel



12 Harrison Walker
 14 ♥ Ann & Grant Nuckolls
 16 Thomas Robichaux
 19 Barbara Joseph
 24 Amy Rabinowitz
 24 Alan Sorkey
 24 Thomas Wiener
 25 Arden Brainis
 25 Bobbye Goodman
 25 Amy Turner
 27 Jason Brown
 27 Teal Poland
 27 Howard Sklar
 28 Rowen Guthikonda

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.

When Adar enters, joy enters. This year the first of Adar is February 16.

Mazel Tov



☆ Jessica Maxey is engaged to Kirby Smithe. She is the daughter of Ann and Pat Maxey and the granddaughter of Marcia Katzenstein.

☆ Twisted Root Burger (co-owned by Grant Nuckolls, husband of Ann Nuckolls) was named Small Business of the Year by the Bossier Chamber of Commerce. Grant is the son of Peggy and Leroy Nuckolls.

☆ Opelousas General Health System honored Dr. Gerald Posner (Donald Posner's father) with the Hall of Fame award.

☆ Parker James Stern was born to Lynley and Alex Stern. Grandparents are Ronnie and Susan Golden. Great-Grandmother was the late Margaret Rifkin.

☆ Leah Sorkey graduated high school and is attending University of Vermont in Burlington. She is the daughter of Bethany and Alan Sorkey.

☆ Scarlett Clare Gaskins was born to Lindsey and Walt Gaskins. Proud grandparents are Georgette and Craig Toys.

Donations Were Made to the Following Funds:

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For the Complete Recovery of:

Dorothy Lobel
Marcia Katzenstein

In Memory of:

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William Blumberg
Frank Katzenstein
Zadeck Family
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Vivian Murov
Barbara & Ronnie Laudenhimer
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Irving Rosen
Robin & Kenneth Murov
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Lynn & Armand Roos
Irving Waghalter
Marcia Katzenstein



RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY

In Honor of the Birthday of:

Max De Benedetti
Mark Kaplan & Betsy Kaplan Beall
Sheila Lawrence
Mark Kaplan & Betsy Kaplan Beall

For the Complete Recovery of:

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Rachel Selber
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Candle and Kiddush Blessers



2	Katz Bat Mitzvah
9	Sue & David Rubenstein
16	Miller Bat Mitzvah
23	Tammy Courtney and Mitch Newstadt

B'nai Zion Schedules

Shabbat Schedule

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



Regular Office Hours

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

Yahrzeits: May Remembering Them Be A Blessing

January 28-February 3

Samuel Atkins
 Ruby S. Blumenthal
 Cecile Lemle Childs
 Lewis Feinberg
 Carol L. Gamm 24-25
 Cerf Hirsch
 Morris Hirsch
 Mrs. Sol Kaplan
 Serretta Krom
 Sadie L. Kuperman 15-02
 Miriam Levine
 Lillian A. Mandel
 Shirl S. Morris
 Armand Roos, Jr. 31-24
 Jack Ruben 23-05
 Morris Ruben

February 4-10

Eugenie Marrus Abramson
 Samuel Abramson 25-17
 Steve Brainis 31-18
 John B. Cheatham, III 21-20
 Jake Cullick
 Dora Weis Diebner
 Mrs. Ray Marks Gilbert 23-19
 Isadore L. Goldman
 Bennie Goldstein 22-05
 Irene Hermer 24-03
 Jenny Krandle
 Frances Rubin Kreisman
 Rabbi David Lefkowitz, Jr. 32-10
 Betty Levy 11-18
 Philip Ben Lieber
 Howard Marcus
 Louis Matloff
 Doris Katz Meltzer
 Fred Simon 15-22
 Myer Nathan Stadiem
 Jean Van Os 41-23
 Helen S. Wilhelm 11-04

February 11-17

Ruth Lieber Anisman 23-02
 Donna Aronstein
 Anita Lee Blaufuss 23-18
 Jacob H. Bodenheimer
 Louise Weiss Bronner 23-07
 H.H. Jack Fleishman, Jr. 22-18
 Max Friedman 13-15
 Janice C. Kent
 Pauline Marrus
 Bessie F. Murov 11-03
 Rebecca R. Murov 11-16
 Bertha Davis Ochs 21-05
 Doris Muslow Pallot
 Emanuel Phelps M12
 Betty Lipson Segall 31-23
 Ralph Simon Segall 31-22
 Alfred Selber 25-06
 Annette Weiss Selber 23-21
 Lillian Perlstein Selber 12-06
 Doris Gordon Udes 31-02
 Emily L. Wile 12-02

February 18-24

Esther G. Barron M16
 May F. Benson 15-16
 Leonard Cooper
 Walter James Cozzens
 Isaac Erbesfield
 Marlene Forman
 Edith Gladstein
 Bertha P. Goldsmith M24
 S. F. Gordon M05
 Andrew B. Kelly 12-20
 Paul Manasseh
 Jacob A. Mandel
 Mrs. Brodie Sorkin Maritzky 15-13
 Geraldine Meyer 24-20
 Miriam Miller
 Blanche L. Raas M20
 David River

February 18-24 Continued

Celia Schlinsky
 Irwin Siegel
 Marcharea Horn Sinclair 33-02
 Lillian Spitzer 24-16
 Kurt Gerhard Strauss
 Fanny Tefka 13-19
 Steven Alcus Threefoot
 Marjorie Weisman
 Freida Kaplan Wilenzick

February 25-March 3


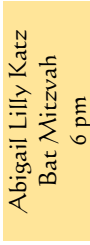




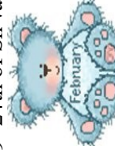












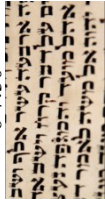






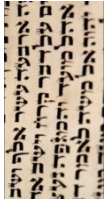



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 Harry Cohen
 Jim Dawson
 Enrico De Benedetti
 Jack Gold
 Rachel Goldenberg 14-20
 Herman Goodman
 Samuel Grossman
 Philip Gumbiner 12-14
 Ruth Hertzberg
 Norman Kal
 Ella B. Kranson
 Ben Levy, Jr.
 Jacob Lieber
 Simon Marx M08
 Fannie Rubenstein 22-08
 Isadore Segall
 Jennie Simon 15-21



Numbers following a name denotes
 Memorial Plaque Location :
 For example 13-06 is found on:
 Board 1 (near sanctuary)
 Column 3 (from left)
 Row 6 (from top)
 Board M is large Marble stone near stairs

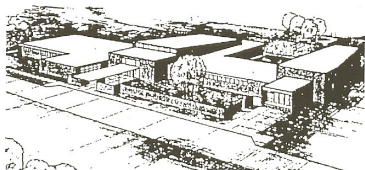
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 A Blessing**

February 2018 / Sh'vat~Adar 5778

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Bulletin Deadline 15th			1 16th of Sh'vat Beginning Hebrew 6-7:30 	2 17th of Sh'vat Abigail Lilly Katz Bat Mitzvah 6 pm 	3 18th of Sh'vat <i>Torah Talk 9:45 am Shabbat Schmooze Ilam</i> 6:28 
4 19th of Sh'vat	5 20th of Sh'vat	6 21st of Sh'vat TOGETHER TUESDAY 6 pm 	7 22nd of Sh'vat Bet Hebrew 3:30 	8 23rd of Sh'vat Beginning Hebrew 6-7:30 	9 24th of Sh'vat  Service 6 pm Alternate Service 7:15 pm 5:38 	10 25th of Sh'vat KIDdush 9 am  <i>Torah Talk 9:45 am Shabbat Schmooze Ilam</i> 6:34 
11 26th of Sh'vat	12 27th of Sh'vat	13 28th of Sh'vat	14 29th of Sh'vat Bet Hebrew 3:30 	15 30th of Sh'vat RUSHI CHINESII ADAR Beginning Hebrew 6-7:30 	16 1st of Adar RUSHI CHINESII ADAR Gabrielle Miller Bat Mitzvah 6 pm  5:44 	17 2nd of Adar Gabrielle Miller Bat Mitzvah 10:30 am  6:40 
18 3rd of Adar Trip to Jackson, Miss. Museums TREE PLANTING 2 PM at BZ NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	19 4th of Adar PRESIDENTS' DAY 	20 5th of Adar BZ BOARD MEETING 6:30 	21 6th of Adar Bet Hebrew 3:30 	22 7th of Adar BIBLICAL HEBREW BEGINS 6-7:30 	23 8th of Adar SPENCER REICHMAN TO SING  Service 6 pm 5:50 	24 9th of Adar <i>Torah Talk 9:45 am Shabbat Schmooze Ilam</i> 6:45 
25 10th of Adar  Purim Carnival 10:30-1	26 11th of Adar	27 12th of Adar BOOK CLUB 7 PM THE FORTUNE TELLER'S KISS 	28 13th of Adar Bet Hebrew 3:30  ETHICAL DILEMMAS THE OAKS 2 PM	MARCH 1 14 Adar purim BIBLICAL HEBREW 6-7:30 	MARCH 2 15 Adar  Service 6 pm 5:55 	MARCH 3 16 Adar <i>Torah Talk 9:45 am Shabbat Schmooze Ilam</i> 6:50 

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Joined UAHC 1908

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