



#### In This Issue



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The Shofar deadline is on or before the 1st of the month preceding publication. Send submissions to Aimee Kahn at aimee@cong-shalom.org.

#### A Message from Rabbi Noah

This year we will be completing the Book of *Breishit* (Genesis) just before we enter the month of January and begin the Book of *Shemot* (Exodus). The narrative arc of Genesis reveals it as a book about the formation of our family story, but it also establishes a narrative arc that speaks to the nature of relationships between human beings. Right from the start, we learn that human beings are created in the Divine image. Shortly thereafter, we encounter the first two brothers, Abel and Cain. Needless to say, they don't live up to that



Divine image, and brotherhood doesn't go well. Driven by jealousy, Cain slays Abel, and when confronted by God—who asks the rhetorically loaded question, "Where is your brother Abel?" Cain evasively responds, "How should I know? Am I my brother's keeper?" (Genesis 4:9). From Isaak and Ishmael's, Jacob and Esau's, and Joseph and his brother's perspectives, the answer might have been, 'It depends on the context'.

The remainder of Genesis, and perhaps the entire Torah and all rabbinic writings, strive to address this very question: Am I my brother's keeper? The answer must be an emphatic "yes." The conclusion of the Book of *Breishit* marks a significant turning point. It concludes with Joseph forgiving and reuniting with his brothers and with Jacob blessing Joseph's two sons, Ephraim and Menasseh—who, according to legend, are the only brothers who maintain harmony. For this reason, we bless our sons each Shabbat with the words, "May you be like Ephraim and Menasseh."

Despite the reconciliation of brothers in *Breishit*, it is evident that we continue to grapple with this same question. Just days ago, as of my writing this, there was a congressional hearing involving the presidents of Harvard, Penn, and MIT, addressing the rise of anti-Semitism in higher education. In one line of questioning, each was asked whether calling for the genocide of Jews violates the code of conduct at their universities. The answer? 'It depends on the context.' The answer took my breath away.

This troubling response from the university presidents reflects a broader societal challenge, reminiscent of the moral dilemmas presented in *Breishit*. The equivocation on such a fundamental issue as human dignity echoes Cain's evasive response to God. It underscores a modern struggle with the concept of responsibility towards our fellow human beings.

In the narrative of *Breishit*, we see a progression from division to reconciliation, from Cain and Abel's tragic story to the eventual harmony between Ephraim and Menasseh. This progression is not just a historical or biblical account; it serves as a blueprint for our journey towards greater understanding and responsibility. The question 'Am I my brother's keeper?' extends beyond familial ties to encompass all of humanity.

#### A Message from a Teenage Congregant

How does it feel to be alone? It hurts because it seems like no one is there, even if you're surrounded by people. Since October 7, I've never felt more alone in my school community. I live in a town north of Milwaukee with a very small Jewish population, and it's so weird to me that no one seems to care what's happening in the Middle East. I've posted countless pieces of information, statistics, words of hope, and ones of disgust in this past month, and I've gotten little to no response. It's only my friends from BBYO sharing the stories of our friends in Israel, and I'm so proud of all of them for standing up. Do the people who aren't directly affected by the conflict not care? Are they not sure what information to post? You can't tell what anyone is feeling through the screen.

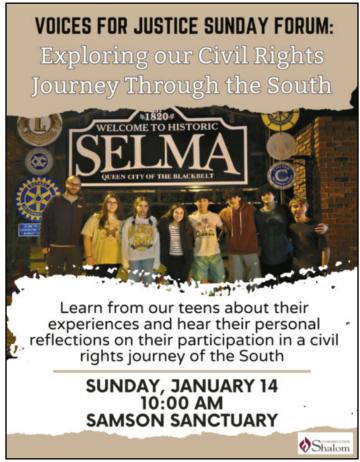
As we near the one-month anniversary of the October 7 attacks, we have to think about the future. No one expected this to happen, nor did we think it would go on for this long. The antisemitism has spread far beyond the Middle East and has reached our communities, which is terrifying. Jewish Stars are being painted on the doors of Jewish homes in many countries, rallies are being held, and attacks continue. Didn't we say "never again?" It's starting to feel like déjà vu because we all learned about these acts from the 1940s, but now they're happening in our world, 80 years after the Holocaust. It's even worse for the Holocaust survivors still alive who are going through a period of mass hatred for the second time in their lives. Why is this all happening again?

How do we deal with this? We need to continue sharing those posts and showing that the killing of innocent Israelis AND Palestinians is not okay. In my community, I'm going to talk more openly about it at school and tell people to speak up because that's the only way to prevent this from happening again. I'll be wearing my Israel necklace with pride, and I encourage you to do the same, whether it's a Hamsa, a Magen David, or Israel. It sounds cliché, but the only way we can get through this hard time is together. Check in on your friends, keep sharing, and be proud of who you are and what our people have gone through. Am Yisrael Chai!

Rachael, a BBG from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, loves participating in competitive swimming and the performing arts.

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#### January 5 & 6

Torah Portion: Exodus 1:1-6:1

Haftarah: Isaiah 27:6-28:13; 29:22-23

6 pm Shabbat Service – In-person or live stream

9 am Torah Study – In-person and on Zoom

10 am Community Shabbat Service – In-person or Zoom

#### January 12 & 13

Torah Portion: Exodus 6:2-9:35 Haftarah: Ezekiel 28:25-29:21

6:30 pm 4th Grade Family *Shabbat* Service – In-person

or live stream

9 am Torah Study – In-person and on Zoom

10 am Community Shabbat Service – In-person or Zoom

#### January 19 & 20

Torah Portion: *Exodus 10:1-13:16*Haftarah: Jeremiah 46:13-28

6 pm Shabbat Service – In-person or live stream

9 am Torah Study – In-person and on Zoom

10 am Community *Shabbat* Service – In-person or Zoom

#### January 26 & 27

Torah Portion: Exodus 13:17-17:16 Haftarah: Judges 4:4-5:31

6 pm Shabbat Shirah Service with special guest

Doug Cotler – In-person or live stream

9 am Torah Study – In-person and on Zoom

10 am Community *Shabbat* Service – In-person or Zoom

#### **Zoom Links**

Torah Study and the Community service will be in-person or live streamed only at:

www.cong-shalom.org/live-streaming.html

There will no longer be a Zoom link for these services.

#### Rabbi Noah, cont'd

In our times, when antisemitism and other forms of hatred are on the rise, the teachings of *Breishit* become even more relevant. They call us to not only recognize the Divine image in every person but also to actively protect and cherish it. This means standing against injustice and hatred unequivocally, without hiding behind the ambiguity of 'context.' It also means advocating for our people wherever they may be, showing concern for our siblings of every faith or creed and for innocent Palestinians who also find themselves the victims of Hamas' terror.

As we move forward to the Book of *Shemot*, which chronicles the journey from oppression to liberation, let us carry with us the lessons from *Breishit*. Let it remind us of our responsibility to each other as keepers and protectors, fostering a world where respect and understanding prevail over hatred and division. This journey, from Genesis to Exodus, mirrors our ongoing quest for a better, more just world—a world where 'it depends on the context' is replaced with a firm commitment to uphold the sanctity and dignity of every human life.



#### **Mental Health Sunday Forum**

Sunday, February 11

Join us! More details coming soon.

#### Office Closings

The temple offices will be closed on Monday, December 25, Monday, January 1 and Monday, January 15.

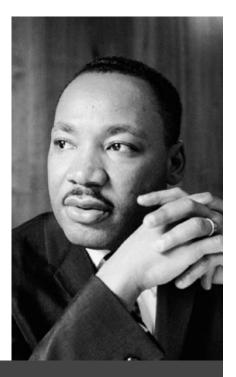
#### Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Every year, on the third Monday in January, America observes Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The holiday honors one of the great champions of civil rights and human dignity. MLK Day also offers the opportunity to celebrate and reflect upon Dr. King's legacy and consider how we might advance his work for justice.

Under the leadership of Dr. King, the civil rights movement ushered in a new era for human rights in the United States. On MLK Day, we celebrate passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965, landmark laws that were enacted to fulfill the promise of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth amendments and provide historically marginalized groups protection and equality under the law.

We also celebrate Dr. King's moral legacy. His spiritual activism has inspired generations of advocates, including many Reform Jews, to continue bending the moral arc of the universe towards justice. Indeed, Jewish participation in the civil rights movement turned into activism against the Vietnam War, the movement for Soviet Jewry, and even the founding of the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism, which became a hub of social justice movements in the 1960's through today.

Source: Reformjudaism.org



We will be closed on Monday, January 15 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

#### In the Jewish Community

#### St. Ben's

The next St. Ben's date is Sunday, January 14, 2024. Upcoming 2024 dates:

- February 11
- March 10

January 2024

- April 14
- May 12

# Adult B'nai Mitzvah Are you interested in learning Hebrew & considering going on to have an Adult B'nai Mitzvah? If so, contact Mandy at 414-352-9288 Ext 123 or mandy@cong-shalom.org.

## Spend the Afternoon with Eleanor Roosevelt



Thursday, February 22, 1–3pm Save the date for the excellent program, presented by Women of Shalom





## Time to order your 2024 National Mah Jongg League Card

The Women of Shalom is taking orders for 2024 Mah Jongg Cards to support The Women of Shalom and make it possible to do programming and to help our Shalom community

#### Large Card: \$15 | Standard Card: \$14

Please make all payments by check, made out to "The Women of Shalom"

Send your completed order form with payment to: Kristen Weisman, 3816 W. Grace Ave., Mequon, WI 53092. Please do not send orders directly to Shalom.

If you have any questions please email klweisman1@gmail.com or call (414) 803-2801.

Thank you for you continued support!

Deadline to order is January 31, 2024.

Name:	
Email:	
Phone:	
Address:	
City:	
State/ZIP:	
	# Large Cards (\$15 ea) = \$
	# Standard Cards (\$14 ea) = \$
	Total Enclosed \$



#### **Anniversaries**

Mazel tov! to couples celebrating a special anniversary (over 50 years and anniversaries in 5-year increments).

	Marriage	Years
Couple	Date	Married
Janice & Michael Bernstein	January 26	50
Claude & Elaine Steinberger	January 19	66

Did we miss your anniversary? Please call 414-352-9288 to ensure that we have your correct anniversary date on file.











# SHALOM THE PURIM TOUR SAVE THE DATE: MARCH 17 2024

## SAVE THE DATE Upcoming Events

February 9 1st Grade Shabbat
February 17 Family Movie Night
February 23 Kiddush Club Shabbat

March 1-2 8th & 9th Grade Trip to Chicago

March 17 Purim Carnival
March 24 Megillah Reading
April 23 Second Sedar

More information to follow for all of these events.

#### In Memoriam We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the families below. MAXINE COHN - Passed away on November 20, 2023, at the age of 86. Cherished mother of Scott Cohn, Barrie (Bob) Merar and BJ (Elyse) Cohn. Loving Gaga of Alexandra Cohn, JP (Karli) Cohn, Jonathan (Alea) Cohn, Dani Merar, Mardee (Adam) Nelson, Benjamin Cohn, Ariel Cohn and dear greatgrandmother of Arianna Diaz and Liam Nelson. Fond sister-in-law of Sari (Ken) Miller. Preceded in death by her beloved husband, Ronald Cohn. Further survived by other loving relatives and dear friends. **HARRIET GOLDMAN** – Passed away on November 22, 2023, at the age of 92. Beloved wife of the late Joseph Goldman. Loving mother of Barry (Penny) Goldman and Patti (Jeff) Langer. Proud grandmother of Leslie (Adam) Pinto, Jodi (Jordan) Rifkin, Aaron (Romy) Langer, Marci (Jesse) Mazur and great-grandmother of Ava and Jonah Pinto; Teddie and Dillon Rifkin; Zevi, Eli and Bassie Langer; and Avi and Maya Mazur. Dear sister of Annette (the late Gerald) Rosen and the late Rose (the late Herbert) Blackman. **ELAINE KELLER** – Passed away on November 30, 2023, at the age of 92. Beloved wife of the late Bernard Keller. Loving mother of Lee Anne Keller, Dana (Pradip) Gopal, and Scott Keller. Proud grandmother of Devran (Alison) Gopal, Kaila (Dylan) Lee, London Keller and Aiden Keller. **LAWRENCE LAUWASSER** – Passed away on December 2, 2023, at the age of 92. Beloved husband of the late Esther Naomi Lauwasser (nee Fefer). Loving father of Jill (John) Mandel, Diana (Larry) Stolberg, and Karen (Barry) Mazin. Proud grandfather of Jeremy and Jacob Mandel; Jocelyn and Preston Stolberg; and Jared, Adam and Jessica Mazin. Dear brother of Richard (Audrey Brooks) Lauwasser, the late Anita (the late Samuel) Plotkin-Katz, and the late Albert (the late Bernice) Lauwasser. Further survived by other relatives and friends. January 2024

#### **Youth Activities**

#### **Early Childhood Programming**

Join us for a number of great upcoming programming for our youngest congregants and their grown-ups. RSVP to Mandy for all programs at mandy@cong-shalom.org.

- January 7 -Temple for Toddlers For 2-4 Year Olds and their grown ups
- February 4 Bagels, Books, and Babies For 0-2 Year Olds and their grown ups
- February 23 Kiddush Club Shabbat For 0-5 Year Olds and their families

## Family Education Programming in Religious School

A number of our classes have upcoming family education days. At these programs, grown-ups are invited to join their children for a morning of learning during Sunday School. These programs run the full Sunday school morning from 9:30-11:30am. Please mark the following dates:

- January 14: 5th Grade Family Ed
- January 21: K4 Family Ed
- January 28: 2nd Grade Family Ed

#### **Religious School Winter Break**

Sunday Classes will resume on January 7 with our Pancake Breakfast! Hebrew will resume on January 9 and 10.

#### **Family Mitzvah Club**

In January we will meet immediately before Movie Night (January 20, 4:30pm) to help pack duffle bags for Kinds Matter Inc (foster care). Families will be able to come just for Family Mitzvah Club, just for Movie Night, or for both!

If you haven't already picked up your Family Mitzvah Club Sticker Chart, be sure to get it soon! The more Mitzvot you do, the more entries you have in to our year-end raffle!

Help pack a Fostering Hope Duffel Bag full of items such as books, toys, pajamas, night light, and blankets to be distributed to foster children within our Milwaukee community. Nearly 100 children in Milwaukee County are removed from their homes each month because they are deemed unsafe and must enter foster care many times with nothing but the clothes on their back. These duffle bags will be a cherished item for many kids because it gives them something to call their own during the challenging time in their lives. Kids Matter is an organization that supports foster children as well as all community members working to keep kids safe.



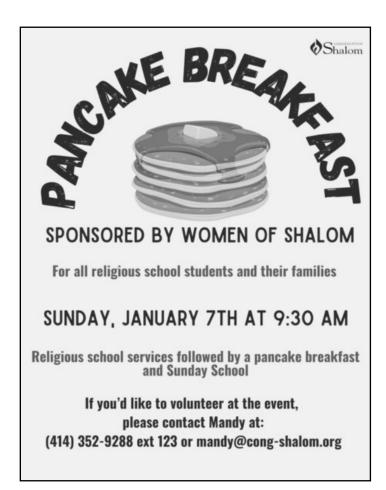
#### **Family Shabbat Services**

Join us at our upcoming Family Shabbat Service and Onegs. Services begin at 6:30pm for Family Shabbat.

- Friday, January 12 Family Shabbat featuring 4th grade
- Friday, February 9 Family Shabbat featuring 1st grade

#### 6th & 7th Grade Shabbaton at OSRUI

All 6th and 7th Graders are invited to a Shabbaton at OSRUI in Oconomowoc, WI. This is a great chance for our students to get to know each other in a fun, off-site environment. We'll sleep overnight in the cabins, play, learn, celebrate Shabbat, and much more! RSVP by January 16 at https://tinyurl.com/25db9wbt.





1st - 3rd Grades

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14 1:00 PM = 2:30 PM \$15/CHILD

Parent drop off and pick up at Rockin' Jump 9009 N Deerbrook Trail Brown Deer

Please RSVP by January 9 at https://tinyurl.com/245t9zz9



## TOVIE NIGHT for Young Families

For families with children under the age of 18

Saturday, January 20 **5 PM** Start Time

A short Havdalah service will begin at 5pm, followed by a pizza dinner and a screening of the movie Toy Story

Please have your children bring a blanket or sleeping bag to lay on during the movie!

Optional Family Mitzvah Club will meet from 4:30-5:00 pm before movie night

> Free for member families \$20 for non-member families

Register by January 17 at tinyurl.com/ymyr8m6r or call the office at (414) 352-9288











## 8th & 9th Grade ChicagoTrip MARCH 1-2, 2024

On this trip, your child will join Temple Beth Israel in Skokie (Rabbi Rachel's synagogue) for Shabbat dinner and services, visit Chicago Sinai Congregation (the oldest Reform temple in Chicago), sightsee around Chicago and more!

BUS DEPARTS AT 3PM FROM SHALOM ON MARCH 1 AND RETURNS AT 9PM TO SHALOM ON MARCH 2

Open to all 8th & 9th Graders

The cost is \$200 per student, which includes all food, lodging and activities

Please register by February 2, 2024

To register, go to https://www.tinyurl.com/mwrjx3x4

Questions? Contact Brian Avner at brian@cong-shalom.org or Rabbi Poslosky at rabbiposlosky@cong-shalom.org

#### **School News**

As we move into the new year, we begin to look ahead to a number of blessings in our school community. As you know, Mandy will be retiring at the end of this school year. There will be plenty of opportunities for us to celebrate the amazing contributions Mandy has made for all our students and families. In her place, I am happy to share that we have hired a new Assistant Director of Education, Matty Powell, who has already begun working with our team. A brief introduction of Matty is below. Matty will spend the next few months learning from Mandy all the things she does to make our school run as smoothly as possible. Finally, Matty will help Mandy with the running of the school in mid-January through early March while I am on paternity leave. My wife, Sami, and I are expecting our 3rd child in January and look forward to our community being able to meet him/her soon.

-Brian

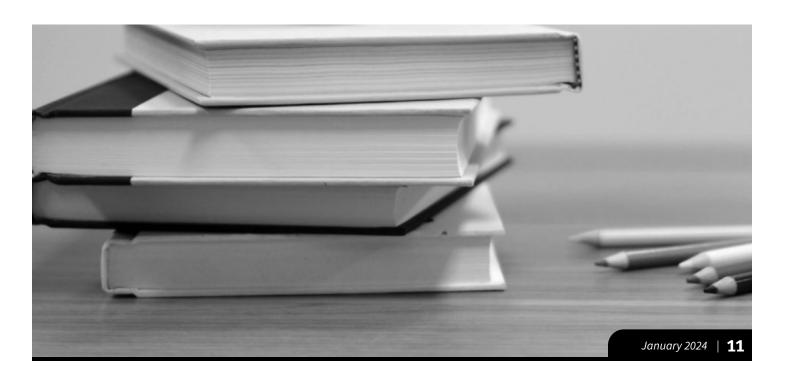
Hello! My name is Matty Powell. For the last five years I have filled a variety of educational roles here at Shalom, including teaching Hebrew School to our 3rd and 5th graders and our Hebrew through Movement classes for all of our religious school students, and leading additional programming for our kiddos. Originally I'm from the Northwest Suburbs of Chicago, attended Congregation Beth Tikvah in Hoffman Estates, spent my summers at OSRUI, and participated in NFTY events. I first moved to Milwaukee in 2017 to study Educational Policy at UWM, and became immediately attached to the city, where I still reside along with Benny, my cat. In my free time I enjoy cooking, practicing my guitar, drawing, reading, listening to music, and playing Dungeons and Dragons. I am very excited and honored to fill this new role as Assistant Director of Education and continue my service to Congregation Shalom.

-Matty

## Religious & Hebrew School Calendar

#### - JANUARY -

- 2 No Hebrew School
- 3 No Hebrew School
- 7 Boker Tov Hebrew Religious School Welcome Back Pancake Breakfast
- 9 Hebrew School
- **10** Hebrew School
- Family Shabbat with 4th Grade Participation
- **14** Boker Tov Hebrew Religious School
- **16** Hebrew School
- 17 Hebrew School
- 21 Boker Tov Hebrew Religious School
- **23** Hebrew School
- 24 Hebrew School
- 28 Boker Tov Hebrew Religious School
- **30** Hebrew School
- 31 Hebrew School



## It's a Mitzvah! | Donations made in December

When making a Fund donation, please include the recipient's name and full address for the acknowledgement card. Please note that if you do not specify a fund on your request, the donation will be allocated to the Greatest Needs Fund.

#### Arlene Arnstein Fund for Children/Families in Need in memory of

Maxine Cohn Judy and Neal Sher Al Fiel Howard & Beverly Radin

#### Benjamin Gino Seigel **Early Childhood Fund**

#### **Betty Klurfeld Education Fund** in honor of

Marilyn Franklin's 50 years of teaching at Shalom's Reliaious School Jennifer & Michael GIlbert

#### Cantor Karen Berman **Legacy Fund** in memory of

Al Fiel Barb and Sid Friedman

#### **Claire Fabric Food Pantry Fund** in honor of

Ken Fabric, Happy belated birthday Alan & Barbara Bern Parker James, Great Grandson of Judy & Burt Naimon Jordan & Ann Fox

#### in memory of

Carnot Nelson Stephanie & Marc Ackerman Al Fiel James & Carol Ross Lauren Cohen

Sandra & Bruce Paler Maxine Cohn Estelle Felber William Forman **Beverly Ugent** Bebe Berkoff **Beverly Ugent** 

#### **Congregation Shalom Music Fund** in honor of

Cantor Perper, Cantor Faith Steinsnyder, Miss Wendy Cohen, Wendy Traeger, Paul Kasten and The Choirs Felice Bruskin

Kenzie Schroeder, Mazel Tov on Kenzie's Bat Mitzvah! Kenneth & Dee Stein Lynne Schuster, for a Speedy Recovery Kenneth & Dee Stein Max Meyerson, Grandson

Mark & Susan Cohen

of Bonnie Cohen & Steve

#### in memory of

Meverson

Maxine Cohn **Annette Evans** Neil Shafer Kenneth & Dee Stein **Beloved Mother** Kenneth & Dee Stein Raymond & Marsha Miller Sheldon Resnick Barbara Himes

#### **Congregation Shalom Perpetual Endowment** Fund

#### in memory of

Maxine Cohn Valerie Lapins Rochelle Simms Barry & Penny Goldman

#### David & Sylvia Pasch **School Fund**

Dr. Harold & Eunice Biller Design & Renovation Fund

#### Drs. Brian & Laurel Bear B'nai Mitzvah Support Fund

#### **Gary Katz Fund** in honor of

Howard & Barbara Schnoll anniversary Daniel Schnoll &

#### Tamara Stolle in memory of

Maxine Cohn Howard & Barbara Schnoll Joseph Marcus Lee & Jacquelin Katz

#### **Gary Paler Memorial Golf Outing**

#### Gorens/Levey/Winston Shalom Future Gen. Fund in honor of

Mike Levey & Linda Gorens Levey, Congratulations on your 35th Wedding Anniversary Barbara Himes

#### in memory of

Maxine Cohn Julie Gorens-Winston

#### Harry B. & Marcelle Goodman Memorial Fund

#### **Howard Bressler Memorial** Campership Fund

#### I. Sidney & Esther Rosen Campership Fund in memory of

David Oppenheimer Monte Weiss Randall & Mindi Rosen

#### Iz Abrams Building Fund in honor of

Linda Holifield, Gratitude for your personal service Jason Markey

#### J. Werner Memorial Fund for Education Innovation

#### Jerry & Selma Shlensky **Greatest Need Fund** in honor of

Phin's Bar Mitzvah, to David & Anne Rosenberg Kenton & Janet Howenstine

#### in memory of

Don Oppenheimer Sherman & Harriet Berger Goodman-Bensman **Funeral Homes** Maxine Cohn Esther & Fred Wiviott Richard Lieberman Goodman-Bensman **Funeral Homes** 

#### **Kennedy Barnett** Youth Scholarship

**Prayer Book Fund** Rabbi Noah **Discretionary Fund** 

#### Rabbi Ronald & Judy **Shapiro Legacy Fund** in memory of

Harriet Goldman Gary Greenberg & Susan Esser-Greenberg

#### Rabbi Ronald M. & Judy Shapiro Museum of Judaica in honor of

Dick Miller, Happy Special 80th Birthday!

Raymond & Marsha Miller

#### in memory of

Maxine Cohn **Bobbe Fine** 

#### Sam Pasch Memorial Senior Fund

#### Sanford J. Ettinger **Lecture Fund** in honor of

Suzy Ettinger, for providing a meaningful Shabbat service on November 17 and in Memory of Sanford Ettinger James & Judith Silbermann Linda Holifield, Thank you for your dedication and years of service. Wishing you a wonderful retirement Shelby & Joan Lozoff

#### in memory of

Bebe Berkoff **Suzy Ettinger** Sanford J. Ettinger Barbara Himes

#### Shalom Campership & Israel Fund

#### **Sherman Pastor Library Fund**

**Social Action Fund** 

#### Steve Kagen Memorial **Fund for Education** in honor of

Bailey Mendelson's 95th birthday Steven Rabinowitz

#### in memory of

Bebe Berkoff Laura Witkov Maxine Cohen Priscilla Cohen

#### **Wolf Family Choir Fund** Women of Shalom Yanow Family Fund

## Yahrzeits | Those we remember in January

Dec. 31-Jan. 6 Jennie Arnovitz William John Bachman Julia Michal Bar-Lev Arthur Blumenthal Myra Berry Brown Perlanne Bruskin Lester M. Cohen Minnie Marcus Cook Bee Dubin Joseph Dubin **Daniel Dukor** Morton Friedland Harry Gordon Eileen Gosman Melody Ann Greene Grace Hyman Leo Irvings Carol Jamron **Doris Ladish** Ilene Yvette Linetsky David Lipschultz Esther Lubar Carl Manes Max Manes Rae Marks Frank D. Matras Anna Mayerson Benjamin Meisenberg Jeanette Miller Yetta Eisen Ollman Sam Pasch Goldie Pinsky Louis Powerstein Chana Recht Anthony (Tony) Richman Kate Romanik Evelyn Rose Evelvn Rosen Jordan Rosengarten

Evelyn Rose
Evelyn Rosen
Jordan Rosengarter
Pearl Rubin
Evelyn Sable
Jerry Shlensky
Selma Shlensky
Norman Solomon
Louis Stern

Sara T. Stern Milton Turner Morris Ugent Donna Wichman Ethel Williams Garry Willis

#### January 7–13

Louis Zitzer

Robert S. Adler Arlene Arnstein Beatrice Shafrin Berk Irving Bilansky Rose Blackman Louis Cohen Myrtle Cohen Marisa Alayna Drew Florence Eisenberg David Estren Muriel Evelyn Fogel Spencer Frank **Beverly Gilbert** Max Glaiman Marvin Golper Bernice Greenberg Leona Harris Joseph G. Kahn Jennie Katz Bernard Kaufman Morton Komisar Lillian Kretchmar Michael Kritzik Marian "Agie" K Laev Stephen LeClair Faye Laber Levine Isaac Lipton Samuel Marshak Roz Matsoff Max Medved Rav Mitchell David Orlinsky **Barton Peck Newton Peckarsky** Faye Pivar Nettie Plotkin **Ethel Rabinovitz** David Safer Eugene D. Sattler Richard Schefrin Ida Berry Sher Sadye Shimon Bessie Tureck Beatrice Wagan **Beverly Wasserman** Marvin Wasserman Sophie Wasserman Harold Willenson Sonia Willenson Joel S. Winnik Margaret Ellis Wright Florine Zezblatt

#### January 14–20

Robert Zuckerman

Marcia Acker Levey Joseph Angel Anna Ausman Donald Ausman Al E. Bander Clara Bard Alfred David Barnett Marilyn Berman Allen Blumenfeld Sondra Lee Breslauer **Arthur Dallet** Frank Dichter Karen Edelstein Dan Estren Alan I. Ettinger **Bettie Frost David Howard Gersen** Leon Gil Jack P. Gilbert Betty Ann Goldman Dr. Robert Gordon Stanley Greenberg Louis Haber Alfred Harris Sam Himmelreich Russell Hirsch Sharon Elizabeth Hirsch Evelyn Holman Elihu Horwitz Faith Isaacson Jerome Jasculca Ella Kagen Burton L. Kampner **Betty Katz** Steve Lozoff Hvman Mendeloff Anita Messerman Harland Moeckler **Ethel Ottenstein** Lucille S. Pass William W. Peterman Nancy Polsky Diane Primason Leah Resnick Arthur Rosenberg Irene Sattler Sarah Schmidt **Irving Shapiro** Rose Shapiro Abraham Shlensky Hyman Sklar Florence Slavick **Bessie Steinberg Edward Tashkin** Max Teper Hermina (Mimi) Ungar Mel Wallace Stanley S. Wasserman Joyce Weiss Joseph Zaharias

#### January 21-27

Elsie Adelson Robyn Bercovici David Berman Kimberly Blankenship Benjamin Breitman

Ella Cash Morris Fox Earl Friedland **Dorothy Frindell** Albert Ginsburg David Goldberg Aaron Raymond Goldsmith Donald M. Goldwyn Martha Goodman Victor Goodstein **Edward Jones** Maurice Kodner Alvin Kurzon Edna Lee Burton H. Levine Anne Lubotsky Milton Manes Kenneth Gerald Marks Fannie Marshak Anna Moskowitz Norman Persten Joseph M. Picker Edward D. Plotkin Marly Podell-Frank Claire Rosenstein Jane Ross Hazel Sandler Albert F. Schopler Jack Stein Harry Steinberger Sol Steren Frieda Tarlowe **Bob Tash** Ida Widroe Donald E. Winnik Sam Yanow William Zamsky Naomi Zemel

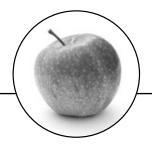
#### Jan. 28-Feb. 3

Robert Asher Gertrude Babby Arline Bellowe Steven Berg Alvin Berlin Natalie Borenstein Frederick M. Boris **Louis Brandes** Benjamin Elbaum Marvin Evans Joseph Fefer Estelle Feldman Melvin Gilbert Ethel Gill Charlotte Glazer Sidney Goldberg Shirley Katz Ben Kellman Albert C. Lambert

Sally Lambert Bess Lang Jack Lee **Burton Lepp Edward Libber** Chia Lookatch Shirley Malkin Pearl Marks Jack Mayerson Sol Mirochnik Milton Mishelow Blossom Newman Manfred Oelsner Louis Pinsky Harry Pittelman James Podell Ruth L. Podell Lillian Price Sam Price Ambrose Reihbandt Michael David Resnick Ida Rosenberg Alice Schwartz Minna Schwartz Benjamin Gino Seigel LaVerne Stein Alvin Ugent Marlene Watchmaker Sally Waters Jack Wein Carolyn Lee Wertz **Irving Wichman** Abe Zembrosky

If you've had a death in your family and want the name placed in the Shofar and/or to be notified annually of your loved one's Yahrzeit date, or if you have lost a family member who was receiving reminders and you want them sent to you, call the office at 414-352-9288.





#### **Updated Fund Name**

Originally created by Melvin & Edith Yanow, in January 1993. This fund was established to provide scholarships to teachers to go to Israel. Because there have been no requests since 2008, we have changed the fund's purpose and name to be:

#### Yanow Family Fund for Teacher Appreciation & Enrichment

The Yanow Family Fund for Teacher Appreciation and Enrichment is a newly redesigned fund, our Hebrew and Religious School teachers are one of our most important assets. We will use these funds to honor and educate our teachers and to support their participation in activities that enhance their teaching skills. Each year the fund will help pay for a teacher to attend a conference to continue their growth as an educator as well as pay for teacher appreciation events throughout the year.

## Thanksgiving Service and Project

The Thanksgiving service on Sunday,
November 19, at North Shore Presbyterian
Church marked the 67th year that our two
congregations have worshipped together.
We enjoyed the inspirational service, led by our
combined clergy, and the beautiful music of our
cantor and combined choirs. As a joint community
project, we donated children's books to the Next
Door Foundation. Thanks to the Social Action
Committee for their financial support and to all our
congregants who gave money or books for Next
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## When is a teddy bear more than a teddy bear?

In November, Katie Doss, Lead Program Coordinator, at the MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary, welcomed a donation of teddy bears and other stuffed animals. The toys are more than toys; they are intended to comfort children (ages 9 months to nine years) who are being tested for lead poisoning. Since the program began in collaboration with Children's Wisconsin in March, more than 150 neighborhood children have been tested. Residents of Milwaukee's notorious 53206 zip code, the children run the risk of being exposed to lead – in water, paint and soil.

As a member of the Coalition on Lead Emergency (COLE), Congregation Shalom was made aware of the need to help and through the Voices for Justice Committee worked in partnership with Tikkun Ha'Ir (a special thank-you to the Milwaukee Jewish Day School and Anshe Sfard Kehillat Torah) to make the children's experience less stressful.