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***This week's Shabbos Sheet
is sponsored by
Susan Katzman***

IN THE WEEK AHEAD

The Week of Learning is being sponsored by David Silver for the merit of a complete recovery for those who are ill and need a recovery in our community and in the entire nation of Israel.

Saturday, February 2

Shacharit	9:00 a.m.
<i>Insights into the Weekly Torah Portion</i>	4:20 p.m.
Mincha/Seudah Shilshit	5:05 p.m.
Havdalah	6:26 p.m.

Sunday, February 3

Shacharit	9:00 a.m.
<i>Jews and Money: Jewish Attitudes Towards Wealth</i> with Yosef Seigel.....	10:00 a.m.
Mincha/Maariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	5:30 p.m.

Monday, February 4

Shacharit	7:00 a.m.
<i>Eye on Israel @ Kripke Library</i>	12:00 p.m.
Mincha/Maariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 5

Rosh Chodesh

Shacharit	6:45 a.m.
Mincha/Maariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 6

Rosh Chodesh

Shacharit	6:45 a.m.
Mincha/Maariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	5:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 7

Shacharit	7:00 a.m.
<i>Jewish Ethics</i> with Rabbi Shlomo @ UNMC.....	12:00 p.m.
Mincha/Maariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	5:30 p.m.

Friday, February 8

Shacharit	7:00 a.m.
Mincha/Candle Lighting.....	5:32 p.m.

In Memoriam

Beth Israel extends condolences and wishes of comfort to members of the community on recent losses.

Bernard Magid

Ha'makom yenachem etkhem betokh she'aravelei Tziyon vi'Yerushalayim



**Todah
Rabbah**

...to David Silver for sponsoring the Week of Learning.
...to Susan Katzman for sponsoring this week's Shabbos sheet.

Jews and Money

YOSEF SEIGEL

**JEWISH ATTITUDES
TOWARDS WEALTH**

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Beth Israel Synagogue 2/3 & 2/10 | 10-11 AM

Mazel Tov to Those Celebrating Next Week

Birthdays

Darby Smith Feb 8

Anniversary

Bruce & Linda Potash Feb 2

Alan & Brigett Kohll Feb 3

Celebrating a special simcha this month? Call the office or speak to Bette Kozlen to be a part of the February 23 Simcha Kiddush.





There will be no JYE BI
Sunday, February 3rd.

Mitzvah Fair

In place of regular Sunday religious school classes, students will attend a Mitzvah Fair, where they will:

- learn about the concept of Mitzvot
- learn where six different Mitzvot are found in the Torah
- do an activity or craft for each Mitzvah they study at the fair
- enjoy a kosher snack

This event is free, but students must sign up by Feb 3rd. Sign up forms can be found in front of the giftshop windows.

This is a joint program of Beth El Synagogue, Beth Israel Synagogue, Friedel Jewish Academy, the Jewish Federation of Omaha and Temple Israel. The Mitzvah Fair is free of charge with funding provided by the Herbert Goldsten Trust.



Jewish Federation of Omaha Scholarship Opportunities

Thanks to the generosity of the community, a variety of funding sources are available to Omaha's Jewish families to assist in meeting the financial challenges of programs for their children. Scholarships and grants exist for residential camp, JCC summer camp, Israel programs, the Pennie Z. Davis Child Development Center, Friedel Jewish Academy, and youth group activities. Assistance is also available for undergraduate, graduate, vocational, technical, professional or yeshiva studies.



Visit the JFO web page for specific information and application forms.
Brochures available in the office at the front desk.

Now is the time to plan and apply. Application Deadline is March 1, 2019

Shabbat Shalom, friends!

1. I just wanted to remind folks that there are two first aid kits available. One is in the office, and the other is in the kitchen. Their locations are marked with a red Star of David. While I hope you will never need one, they are for your use.

2. We are trying to clear out the clothing and other miscellaneous items that have been left in the coat rack area. Please come collect your personal belongings. We would like to have the area cleaned up by the end of February! Unclaimed/unlabeled items will be donated or discarded on March 1st!

Thank you!

Nate Shapiro, Executive Director

Challah Tots

Thursday, February 7 at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, February 22 at 9:30 a.m.

In this twice-monthly program, tots and their favorite adult enjoy challah braiding, story time, crafts, and more. Challah Tots will meet in the JCC Youth Lounge on Thursday, February 7, from 10:00–11:00 A.M. and at Friedel Jewish Academy on Friday, February 22, from 9:30 A.M.–10:30. Please sign up by 12:00 P.M. the day before the program so we can be sure to have enough dough on hand! Sign up for February 7 by emailing Ron Lugasy at rlugasy@jewishomaha.org and for February 22 by emailing Sara Kohen at skohen@fjaomaha.com.

Kindergarten Roundup

Wednesday, February 27, 2019

10:00–11:30 A.M.

Friedel Jewish Academy

Kindergarten Roundup is coming to Friedel Jewish Academy on Wednesday, February 27, from 10:00 until 11:30 A.M. Kindergarten Roundup gives children entering kindergarten in fall 2019 a fun preview of the kindergarten experience. Parents may choose to either drop off their child at Friedel or to have Friedel staff bring their child to and from the CDC for Kindergarten Roundup. Parents should let CDC staff know if they would like for Friedel to pick up their child. Please email Sara Kohen, Friedel's Director of Advancement, to register or with any questions at skohen@fjaomaha.com.



**Todah Rabbah to Eleanor Dunning
NCSY Advisor for this week's
D'var Torah**



We start out this week's parasha with Hashem granting us the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai; the big ten. Hashem told Moses to come up to Mount Sinai and to write them on stone tablets so they can be taught. Then God passes them onto us thru Moses.

1. There is one G-d, Hashem
2. Do not worship statues or bow down to them. Hashem is our G-d.
3. Do not take Hashem's name in vain
4. Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy.
5. Honor your parents
6. Do not murder
7. Do not commit adultery
8. You shall not steal
9. Do not bear false witness to your neighbors
10. Do not covet your neighbor

He breaks it down by explaining that these Laws include the mistreatment of foreigners, observing festivals, prohibition of mixing milk and meat, etc. We are then commanded to have this feast of unleavened bread. Sound familiar? Passover's not the only holiday - followed by that we're given Sukkot and Shavuot.

In this weeks parsha, we learn that the "moral ethical codes" that the world follows today (don't steal, don't kill, respect your elders), are not arbitrary. Rather, they were given to us by God. Even if the world around us seems to change their values as the years go on, as Jews, ours are 'literally' set in stone. We know what is expected of us, as it has been consistent for thousands of years.



Parsha Mishpatim

Source: www.torah.org
Rabbi Aron Tendler

1st Aliya: The Jewish slave, Jewish maidservant, manslaughter, murder, injuring a parent, kidnapping, cursing a parent.

2nd Aliya: Killing of slaves, personal damages, injury to slaves, the killer ox, a hole in the ground, damage by goring, penalties for stealing.

3rd Aliya: Damage by grazing, damage by fire, the unpaid custodian, the paid custodian, the borrowed article, seduction, occult practices, idolatry and oppression, lending money.

4th Aliya: Accepting authority, justice, strayed animals, the fallen animal.

5th Aliya: Justice, the Shmitah (7th) year, Shabbos, Pesach, Shavous, Succos, prohibition against milk and meat.

6th Aliya: Hashem (G-d) instructed the nation to respect the authority of His messengers, the Prophets and Rabbis. He promised to chase out the seven nations who inhabited Canaan and forewarned us against making a treaty of peace with them, or being influenced by their practices and values.

7th Aliya: Hashem stated the means by which the seven nations would be chased out of Israel, and promised that if we do as instructed no woman would miscarry. The borders of Eretz Yisroel (The Land of Israel) were defined. The conclusion of the Parsha returns to the aftermath of Revelation. Moshe built an altar, offered a sacrifice, and in 24:7 the nation proclaimed "we will first obey Hashem's commands and then attempt to understand". Moshe, Aharon, Nadav, Avihu, and the 70 elders have a shared vision in 24:10 and then Moshe is told to ascend Sinai where he would remain for 40 days and nights.

Parsha Questions

1. How many years was a Hebrew slave (servant) required to serve, and when did he go free?
2. If the slave did not want to go free, what the master was to do?
3. What was the penalty upon a person who stole an ox, an ass, or a sheep, and was caught with it alive?
4. If an ox gored a person to death, what was the penalty upon the ox and the owner?



WELCOME TO BETH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE

We are delighted to welcome you to Beth Israel Synagogue. A passage from Deuteronomy 30:11-14 inspired the art work in the sanctuary. "For this commandment that I command you today - it is not hidden from you and it is not distant. It is not in heaven, [for you] to say, 'Who can go to the heaven and take it for us so that we can listen to it and perform it? Nor is it across the seas, [for you] to say, 'Who can cross to the other side of the sea for us and take it for us, so that we can listen to it and perform it?' Rather, the matter is very near to you - in your mouth and your heart - to perform it." Mitzvot are obtainable.

- ◆ The focal point of the sanctuary is the Menorah Window, which frames the Ark and is shaped in the form of the six branched candelabrum. To the right, brilliantly colored windows have forms that reflect the heavens, while the left side depicts the seas.
- ◆ The message is completed in a frieze, the horizontal painting on wood mounted on the wall. The background of the frieze symbolically and abstractly represents the relationship between G-d and the people of Israel through the Covenant. The perochet, or curtain over the Ark, completes the symbolic composition, with an expression that intertwines the Torah and the letter Aleph, the first letter of the Hebrew alphabet, of the Ten Commandments, and of G-d's name in Hebrew.
- ◆ As is traditional, the sanctuary has 12 windows, representing the 12 tribes of Israel. These windows contain the name of each tribe in flowing, organic letters. The windows are located above the continued frieze, which includes two central texts of the revelation at Sinai - "If you will keep my Covenant, you shall be precious to me," and "You shall be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation." This composition expresses the unity of Israel as the people stood together at Sinai and accepted the Torah.

Beth Israel Synagogue strives to perpetuate the legacy of Torah Judaism in the modern world. Beth Israel welcomes all persons of the Jewish faith to join and accepts the diversity of practice and thought among its members.

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