



November 2, 2019
4 Cheshvan 5780



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Welcome to Beth Israel
Dreyer Family

IN THE WEEK AHEAD

Saturday, November 2

Shacharit	9:00 a.m.
Kiddush	11:15 a.m.

Sponsored by Zvia & Rami Nachman

Todah Rabah to the community for hosting us during our stay.

<i>Insights into the Weekly Torah Portion</i>	5:00 p.m.
Mincha/Seudah Shlishit	5:45 p.m.
Havdalah	7:02 p.m.

Sunday, November 3

Shacharit	9:00 a.m.
JYE BI	10:00 a.m.
Sisterhood Donor Luncheon, Silent Auction, & Style Show	11:30 a.m.

The Games People Play

Mincha/Ma'ariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	5:00 p.m.
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Monday, November 4

Shacharit	7:00 a.m.
Mincha/Ma'ariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	6:10 p.m.

Tuesday, November 5

Shacharit	7:00 a.m.
Mincha/Ma'ariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 6

Shacharit	7:00 a.m.
Mincha/Ma'ariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	5:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 7

Shacharit	7:00 a.m.
<i>Character Development</i> with Rabbi Ari.....	9:30 a.m.
Mincha/Ma'ariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	5:00 p.m.

Friday, November 8

Shacharit	7:00 a.m.
Mincha/Candle Lighting.....	4:54 p.m.

Announcements

We recently added 3 more handicapped parking stalls to the parking lot. Our goal is to prevent people from parking in the fire lane (indicated with red curb paint and labeled with "no parking"). Please use this for loading/unloading only. We will ask you to move your vehicle if it is parked in the fire lane.

As we move into the winter (flu) season, please be mindful that we have vulnerable folks in our community. Remember to sneeze into your elbow, and wash your hands thoroughly after using the restroom or before handling food. Let's keep everyone healthy and happy.

Don't forget to set your clocks back 1 hour Saturday night for the end of Day Light Savings time.



...Dani Shrago for doing the weekly shopping. This is a HUGE help. Thank you!

...Helene Shrago, Bette Kozlin, and some behind-the-scenes ladies for taking the charge on the sisterhood event!

... Dani Shrago for dressing the tables for shabbat.

... The Dreyer family for coming all the way from Israel to serve and be part of our community.

... Mario Lopez for donating the bluetooth speakers and remote that we use often.



CELEBRATE



Mazel Tov to Those Celebrating Next Week

Birthdays (English)

Bette Kozlen	November 2
Jeanette Nadoff	November 2
Matt Beneda	November 3
Marian Crakin	November 5
Don Greenberg	November 6
Molly Nora Susman	November 8
Abigail Roth	November 8

Birthdays (Hebrew)

Abigail Stein	4 Cheshvan
Linda Potash	5 Cheshvan
Deborah Kricsfeld	5 Cheshvan
Rachel Wheeler	6 Cheshvan
Lee Lohman	6 Cheshvan
Maxine Kirshenbaum	7 Cheshvan
Adam Stein	7 Cheshvan
Howard Kaiman	8 Cheshvan
Hedy Kirke	10 Cheshvan
Bette Kozlen	10 Cheshvan
Jeanette Nadoff	10 Cheshvan
Jack Marshall	10 Cheshvan

Anniversaries

David & Patti Adler	November 8
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***Celebrating a special simcha?
Contact Bette Kozlen or the office to be a part of
the November 16, Simcha Kiddush.***

In Memoriam

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

✧ Michael Edward Mogil ✧



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



Friday, November 8, 2019
9:30-10:30 A.M.
Friedel Jewish Academy

Challah braiding, story time, crafts and more with tots and their favorite adult. This month families will experience a special activity with Friedel's art teacher while the challah bakes. Free and open to families with children ages 5 and under in the Jewish community and at the JCC, this program is a collaboration between PJ Library Omaha & Friedel Jewish Academy.

Space is limited. Please register by 12 noon on November 7 to reserve your spot at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QCL6MFS>



Tots Say Todah!: A Morning of Gratitude
Sunday, November 10, 2019
10:00-11:30 A.M.
Congregation of Temple Israel

Join tots (and their favorite adult) from throughout the community for this fun, interactive event!

- participate in a special activity focused on gratitude & kindness
- hear a PJ Library story
- hang out with other families who have kiddos of a similar age!

Free and open to families with children ages 5 and under (including Temple Tots & Pre-K) in the Jewish community and at the CDC, this program is a collaboration between PJ Library Omaha, Temple Israel & Friedel Jewish Academy. Includes a light snack.

Register at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/78MT2RB>.



Happy and Healthy: Preschool and Beyond

Sunday, November 24, 2019
5:00-6:45 P.M.
(babysitting starting at 4:45)
Friedel Jewish Academy

All adults who love children are invited to learn about physical and behavioral health in early childhood while enjoying some delicious pizza provided by Star Catering. The panel includes three experts: Michael Cohen, M.D., a pediatrician at Village Pointe Pediatrics; Trevor Bixler, Ph.D., Post-Doctoral Fellow at Boys Town Behavioral Health Clinic; and Emily Coffin, the lead first grade teacher at Friedel. Each panelist will briefly discuss his or her area of expertise, after which the panelists will take questions from the audience.

Free babysitting and pizza for those who register by November 11.

Space is limited, so register as soon as possible at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YRRFKL3>.

The Games People Play

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR
BETH ISRAEL SISTERHOOD'S
ANNUAL FUND RAISING EVENT**

*Sunday, November 3, 2019, 11:30am
Luncheon, Silent Auction & Style Show*

Fashions provided by

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*Event Chairs
Bette Kozlen & Helene Shrago*

Beth Israel Synagogue, 12604 Pacific Street, Omaha NE 68154 (402) 556-6288

Don't miss your chance to win \$500 in cash!

Tickets just \$10 each

Purchase in advance in the Beth Israel office, or at online at orthodoxomaha.org. Tickets also available day of event. Payment only by cash, check, or credit card. Drawing at Sisterhood Donor Event on Nov 3. Need not be present to win!

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 7TH **6:00-7:30 PM**

Join Us at Friedel Jewish Academy

335 S 132nd St, Omaha, NE 68154

This program is for ages 8-12

Our focus will be on Building Resilience in order for our children to be better equipped to handle life's challenges. Pizza dinner will be offered for all those who register in advance. Each registered child, between the ages of 8-12, will receive a book!! An adult must accompany the child.

RSVP by October 31 to JFS at (402)330-2024 or online at <https://tinyurl.com/jfsfriedelprevention>

*Free childcare is available for participant siblings, ages 8 and under. Parents that wish to use this childcare service MUST reserve a spot when submitting their RSVP. Space is limited.

Programs funded by a grant from **The Dennis Schuman Charitable Foundation**



*In honor of the Dryer family's arrival to
Jerusalem of the Midwest.*



Failing to plan, is planning to fail.

*Make for yourself an ark of gopher wood; make the ark with
compartments, and cover it inside and out with pitch.
(Genesis 6:14)*

Daniel calls up his contractor and says, "I just bought a sizeable piece of land and would like you to build me a magnificent house. I would like the kitchen counters to be made from the finest granite..."

The contractor interrupts, "Woah! Just slow down a little! First we need to deal with the zoning, write up the blueprints and get a building permit. Then we'll begin with the details; how many floors and what type of materials. We have plenty of time until we begin discussing the kitchen counters...!"

God commanded Noah to build an ark. He gave Noah the building plans for the ark: make an ark of gopher wood and make many rooms. The ark should be covered inside and out with pitch. It should be 300 cubits in length, 50 cubits wide and 30 cubits high. He then proceeds to the details, telling him how many floors there should be and where the window and door should be placed. It seems that the command to make "many rooms" is really out of place. God should've first finished explaining the basic structure, before he told him about the "many rooms"!

Now, if the main reason Daniel decided to build a new house was that he could not tolerate his kitchen counters, which were poor quality and looked terrible, then we would understand why one of the first things he mentioned was the counters. After all, that's why he wanted to move.

The same concept applies to the ark. The behavior of the people was so corrupt that it affected the animals as well, until they too cohabited with other species. God therefore decided to destroy the world and start it over from scratch. Since His reason for destroying the world was because of the corruption it would make sense that the first thing He would care about in rebuilding the world was that it not get corrupt again; hence came the commandment to make many different rooms, since all the animals needed to be kept separate from other species.

When a person turns over a new leaf and wants to change, he begins working hard and growing, but can often find himself falling back into the same hole. For example, a person switches schools to get away from bad influences, and yet before he knows it he's hanging out with the same type of crowd once again. The first step in the growing process is to create some plan to ensure the mistake doesn't repeat itself. Failing to plan is planning to fail.

Parsha Noach

Source: www.chabad.org

1st Aliya: Noach, a righteous man, is introduced in contrast to a generation that "has perverted its ways". Hashem instructs him to build, and outfit the Ark.

2nd Aliya: Noach is told to enter the Ark along with all the animals. On Cheshvan 17, 1656 – October 27, 2106 b.c.e the flood began.

3rd Aliya: For 40 days and nights the waters increased, destroying all living things. The water raged upon the surface of the earth for 150 days, and then diminished for the next 150. On Nissan 17, May 23, the Ark rested upon Mt. Ararat. Noach sends out the Raven and then the Dove, and on Cheshvan 27, October 27, exactly 1 solar year after it began, the earth was dry.

4th Aliya: Noach and his family exit the Tayvah, and offer sacrifices to Hashem. They are commanded to keep the 7 Noahide mitzvos.

5th Aliya: Hashem promises to never again destroy the world and designates the rainbow as the symbol of that covenant.

6th Aliya: The story of Noach, the vineyard, and the subsequent blessings and curses is related. The descendants of Cham, Yefes, and Canaan are listed.

7th Aliya: The story of the Tower of Babel in 1996 and Nimrod's world dominance is told. The 10 generations of Shem, culminating in the introduction of Avram and Sarai, are listed. The year is 2023. Note that Avram was 48 years old when the Tower of Babel took place and he was 56 years old when Noach died.

Parsha Questions

- 1) What were Noach's sons names?
- 2) What was the final reason for the flood?
- 3) What was the symbol that wont destroy the world?
- 4) What did Noach do wrong when he left the ark?

Tehilim Team at the Nachmans November 24th

Once a month, on the Shabbat before Rosh Chodesh, the Nachman family will be hosting a group of saying Tehilim (Psalms) for 'Refua Shlema' and for the success of the Jewish people. All children are welcome, parents can stay or leave the kids and go.

November 15-17
Overland Park Kansas
Grades 5-8



Register now at MidwestNcsy.org or call Faige at 347.522.2668.
Join the Jeidel's and the Omaha group for a fun weekend in KC! Lets Show them how much Omaha rocks!



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.

Rabbi Ari Dembitzer, Senior Rabbi

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