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## High Holy Days Are Coming!

### *Rosh Hashanah begins Monday evening, September 6*

As this newsletter goes to press (in early July), we are planning our return to in-person Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. Services will also be viewable online, using our high-quality, produced live-stream technology.

#### Schedule Highlights:

Erev Rosh Hashanah — 5:45pm Monday, September 6

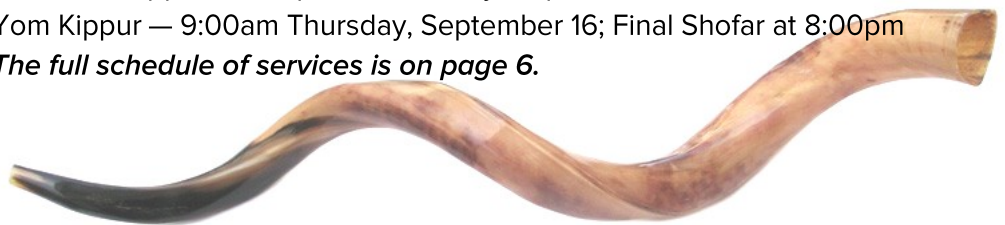
Rosh Hashanah — 8:00am-1:00pm Tuesday & Wednesday, Sept. 7 & 8

Tashlich — 4:30pm Tuesday, September 7 at Vilas Beach

Erev Yom Kippur — 6:15pm Wednesday, September 15

Yom Kippur — 9:00am Thursday, September 16; Final Shofar at 8:00pm

*The full schedule of services is on page 6.*



**Tickets** are required to attend in-person on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

**NEW THIS YEAR:** Tickets are free for members. Reserve yours when you renew membership for 5782. *The deadline to renew membership and request tickets is Sunday, August 15.*

Members may purchase tickets for extended family and friends for \$75 each.

We warmly encourage prospective members and students to contact the office for free tickets.

## More Upcoming Events

### *Kabbalat Shabbat Service & Dinner at Hoyt Park - August 20*

Welcome Shabbat in the great outdoors with old and new friends starting at 5:45pm.

### *Scholar In Residence Shabbaton with Rabbi Ira Stone - October 8-10*

Come learn over Shabbat dinner, during and after Shabbat morning services, and on Sunday. Rabbi Stone will introduce us to the Mussar movement, a Jewish spiritual practice that gives concrete instructions on how to live a meaningful and ethical life. He'll teach during Shabbat morning services on Parshat Noach and the Evolution of Ethical Consciousness, and on Shabbat afternoon on French-Jewish philosopher Emmanuel Levinas and Mesillat Yesharim by Rabbi Moshe Hayyim Luzzatto.

### *Conversation Supporting Interfaith Families - Sunday, October 17*

Details on page 7.

### *Kolot Kehilla with Daniel Goldman - Sunday, October 24*

Come learn about *Nichum Aveilim*: Shifting Shiva. Details on pages 2 and 7.



## Thoughts from the Rabbi...

### מהשבות **Makh'shavot: Nakhamu, Ami--Comfort My People**

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Next Centerite Deadline:

**October 5, 2021**

The color printing of this issue of the Centerite is generously underwritten by David Balkansky, in memory of his wife Judy and in honor of Rabbi Forester's new contract.

If you'd like to make a gift toward future editions of this newsletter, please contact Elissa Pollack, [elissa@bethisraelcenter.org](mailto:elissa@bethisraelcenter.org)



The advent of Rosh Hashanah 5782 calls us with more hope and urgency than any year I can remember. As we breathe out the stress, strangeness, and losses of 5781, we breathe new

hope into our lives. This is the time for setting intentions with all of the hole-y holiness we can muster.

Over the past year, something remarkable happened: each of our homes became a

*mikdash m'at* — a small sanctuary. Our homes were the places from which we reached out to others and made our mark on the world, and the places where we were found by those who needed us. Every worship service, holiday celebration, class, meeting, and social event online became an invitation into one another's homes, and windows opened for weathering, together, the storm of COVID-19. I often felt we were watching the Divine Presence spreading light and connection from one home to another.

As we turn our thoughts to the new year 5782, I encourage us to take our learning with us in many ways. Over the past several months, members of our *kahal* have been thinking with me about a particular way in which we can strengthen our community while building on the idea of the home as a *mikdash m'at* where we offer comfort and support to one another at times of bereavement.

One of the most remarkable take-aways from the many Shiva minyanim we held over Zoom this past year was learning about the power of simply showing up and offering presence without extraneous socializing. In the absence of a table laden with food and the possibility of multiple conversations happening simultaneously within one room, we sat together in the sadness of loss and held that sadness together, guided by whatever our grieving friends wanted. Those were holy moments. Sometimes, mourners wanted to tell us about their

departed loved ones--how they lived, or how they died. Some simply wanted to sit quietly, surrounded by caring faces. Some wanted to hear stories about their departed loved ones. Some wanted to talk about their own grief. The bitterness of not being able to visit our friends at home during Shiva pushed us toward profoundly touching opportunities to do something very difficult: to comfort mourners by sitting with them in their pain and responding according to their need.

Thus, one of the most painful aspects of the past year also became fertile ground for us to discover, together, what our tradition has always known about how to comfort one another in times of grief.

Our caring community already understands the importance of supporting each other during Shiva. We already show up with love and care. After the High Holy Days, we will build on those strengths by exploring our practice of one of Judaism's most holy endeavors: comforting mourners according to their need. That includes what happens during Shiva visits as well as how we take care of mourners by providing and serving meals that grieving families can eat together without feeling a need to act as hosts.

I look forward to growing with our *kahal* in our Shiva practices. I have seen how important it is to us to support each other and value different people's unique needs. I am eager to share with you the thinking and planning currently underway and to invite your responses and engagement. Watch for opportunities to learn more starting with Kolot Kehilla on October 24.

May our return to our sacred home bring comfort to us all this High Holy Day season. As we move forward, may we strive to bring comfort to one another, drawing on some of the most helpful practices our tradition offers.

With love,

*Rabbi Betsy*

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# President's Column

## Strategic Visioning

On a bright, warm morning in July I had the pleasure of sitting on Cynthia Hirsch's porch, sharing coffee and discussing strategic visioning for Beth Israel Center. Cynthia, in addition to being a past president, has been chairing the Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) since 2019. We had put the committee work on hold in Spring 2020 as we pivoted to focus on what was before us, and now we could begin to evaluate how to restart the work of looking ahead.

For about a year the SPC met regularly, interviewed congregants and staff, brought ideas back to the committee, and had started to draft short, medium and long term goals. One of the joys of the past year for me was re-opening the draft document Cynthia had shared in February 2020 and noticing that as of May 2021 many, if not most, of the goals we had started to put on paper are actively in process or have been completed.

I take two lessons from this. One, our staff and committees

continued to plan for our future while simultaneously reimagining the present, an extraordinary achievement. And two, BIC is now in a much stronger position from which to plan for the future because much of the foundational work we had identified as short and medium term goals has already begun.

Among other projects, that foundational work includes the completion of an Employee Handbook, started by Jeff Mandell, Emily Desai, and Juliet Page and brought to completion this spring by Aaron Friedman, Cynthia Hirsch, and Ruth Litovsky. The Development Committee meets monthly, conceptualizing and planning for our long-term financial stability. The Ritual Committee identified the challenges in convening a daily minyan in the previous strategic plan from 2009; Zoom evening minyan may be how we meet this need going forward. There are, of course,

many more examples.

A year ago, the ground was shifting rapidly beneath all of us. While it felt necessary at the time to pause the work, I am pleased that we are ready to return our attention to this important endeavor.

Another important endeavor that was near ready to launch (and then paused) in 2020 is related to the commitment we made in 2013 while planning for our major renovation (completed in 2015). Leading up to that multimillion-dollar project, we approached every member — and some former members! — for capital campaign gifts. We committed to ourselves (and to our biggest donor) that this would be a perpetual campaign, honoring the spirit of congregation-wide participation and responsibility to maintain

and continue to improve our spiritual home. In that spirit, we will be asking everyone who has joined since the close of that phase of the L'Dor VaDor campaign to make financial contributions to our building fund. The plan, approved by the Board in 2019, is to solicit gifts no sooner than year three of membership. If you joined between 2012 (when we were fundraising for the renovation project) and 2018 (three years ago) and have not already made a gift to the L'Dor VaDor campaign, someone will contact you about making a contribution.

I hope that you will respond as generously as you can when you get that call. If you'd like to reach out in the meantime, you can contact me or Elissa Pollack.

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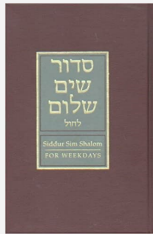
## From the Executive Director's Desk

### In the Eye of the Beholder: Two New Sponsorship Opportunities

#### Book Dedications

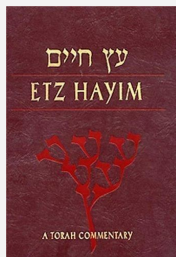
The next time you're looking for a way to honor a special person, couple, family or occasion, or memorialize a loved one, consider dedicating a prayerbook!

For \$36, you can dedicate a weekday Siddur Sim Shalom,



for \$54 a High Holy Day Mahzor Lev Shalem,

and for \$72 an Etz Chayim Chumash.



Call Sarah or Elissa at (608) 256-7763 or email [office@bethisraelcenter.org](mailto:office@bethisraelcenter.org) and tell us in whose honor or memory you're dedicating the book(s). We'll place your dedication plate(s) into the book(s) right away!

**Did you know that all of our Shabbat siddurim are dedicated?** The next time you pick up a *Siddur Lev Shalem* in shul, turn to the inside front cover and see if you know the people whose names you'll find there. Each one tells a story.

Beautiful things happen at Beth Israel Center when our members step up to help move our congregation from good to great.



Two years ago, we produced our first full-color Centerite, in part because we had a brand-new, full-color logo and we wanted you all to see and appreciate it. At the time, we

wanted to do one brightly colored newsletter to highlight our new brand, but we hadn't budgeted for color printing. We were able to use the same funding source that covered our rebranding effort, and what a positive impact it made!

Many of you took the time to compliment the updated look, which is a better portrayal of our vibrant congregation, and we realized that we needed to find a way to print future newsletters in color. I asked some of the more vocal supporters of the redesign to consider sponsoring (i.e., covering the cost of ) color printing for future issues.

Thanks to David Balkansky, Ted and Irene Knupp, and one anonymous donor, this is our 9th full-color issue, and there's no going back.

Could we simply add the cost of color printing to our operating budget? Maybe, but we have other, more pressing, unfunded priorities.

We're pretty good at finding available resources for one-time purchases and special projects. It's the ongoing operating expenses (which make everything we do here possible) that we approach with extreme caution because we want to add only those things we know we can sustain.

If you'd like to help us sustain color printing of the Centerite with a one-issue sponsorship gift of \$360, we would be so grateful!

The story of the second sponsorship opportunity I'd like to tell you about started last summer, when we installed live-streaming

equipment in our sanctuary so that we could broadcast services during the pandemic.

The system we chose allows for static streams or produced streams. Static streams have no additional cost associated with them. Having installed the equipment, we can schedule a static broadcast any time. With a static broadcast, online viewers can hear everything that the microphones pick up, and they can see the people on the bimah. However, the camera doesn't move.

When there's call for a richer, more engaging online experience, the produced stream uses both cameras, and they follow the action of the service. Remote, human operators skillfully frame the Rabbi during her sermon, follow a Torah procession around the room, capture Torah readers, etc.

As you've probably surmised, this higher quality broadcast has a cost associated with it. It also has a greater value — a more dynamic experience, one that more closely replicates being in the room.

We are committed to inclusivity and making our services accessible is part of that. With your support, we can provide more than a static viewing experience. For \$180, if you'd like one of our Shabbat morning broadcasts to be better than basic — for any reason — please contact me.

Think of it like Shabbat morning Kiddush. When there isn't a sponsor, we enjoy a serviceable, basic lunch. When Kiddush is sponsored, the menu is more elaborate, the baked goods might be custom made, perhaps the sponsor's favorite food is served. Similarly, our Shabbat morning live stream will be on every week, either basic or sponsored.

I love conversations about how we can work together to make beautiful things happen here. Call (608) 256-7763 or send me an email.

Looking forward to hearing from you!

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# From the Education Director's Desk

## Mark Your Calendars for In-Person Learning!

The Talmud Torah Committee and I are extremely excited to return to face to face, in person, regular Talmud Torah for 5782 (school year 2021-2022)!

We are grateful that BIC's guidelines, area school and public health decisions, and thoughtful feedback from our community combined to make this plan the obvious way forward for us (at least as of early July, as this newsletter goes to press). In keeping with our recent history of being "unprecedented," "nimble" and "resilient," the coming year's calendar provides some significant challenges as well as some new opportunities for our education program.

### Our Talmud Torah year will begin on Shabbat Shuvah, September 11.

Because of how the holidays fall in September, our first Thursday classes will be on September 23 (during Sukkot) and our first Tuesday afternoon classes will be on October 5.

Our teachers and unvaccinated students will be masked, and we will utilize our outside spaces more than we have in the past. We will continue to pursue the ideal balance of wellness, well-being, responsible education and having fun.

With the holidays falling during the opening weeks of the school year, I hope to see many of our students during our High Holiday Youth Programming on Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur and Simchat Torah. I am thrilled to share that Talmud Torah graduate Talia Ivry designed this year's program, satisfying the requirements of her internship with me. (The program schedule is on page 6.)

Looking ahead to next semester, we are extending the Talmud Torah year with classes resuming earlier in January than ever before (January 11) and by holding classes throughout Passover.

N'tivon, our 8th-12th grade program, will resume with Shabbat

afternoon gatherings on October 23 (grades 11 and 12), November 6 (grades 8-10), January 29 (grades 11 and 12), February 26 (grades 8-10) and April 23 (grades 11 and 12).

Our 6th and 7th graders will enjoy their introduction to N'tivon with a special sleep-over Shabbaton at Beth Israel Center February 11-12, and our offsite 8th-10th grade Shabbaton will be overnight, March 11-12.



While we're planning for a "regular" school year, we know that

this year will be different. To prepare for our return to in-person learning following a most unusual year, I'm spending part of my summer learning about trauma informed education and becoming certified in Youth Mental Health First Aid. This training will enhance my readiness to be face to face with students

for significant amounts of time again; as excited as I am to return to something like pre-pandemic normal, I know some things will never be the same. So I am also studying the intersection of Social Emotional Spiritual Learning (SESL) and Mussar as skills to be learned and practiced alongside our content- and context-rich curriculum. We will have a renewed focus on Hebrew reading this year, as well, and work to understand the upcoming *shmita* year and how it fits into our lives as modern Jews in Wisconsin.

L'Shana Tovah,

Beth Copelovitch  
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## For Our Youngest Members

Enjoy interactive family learning with Beth Copelovitch.

Meet other families with young children.

### Matchilim

Our popular Shabbat morning program for young children and their grownups is geared for children ages 0-8 over the summer, and for children up to age 5 during the school year.

Our last summertime gathering for 2021 will be on **August 14** — in person and on Zoom.

Matchilim will resume meeting every Shabbat when Shabbat School is in session, starting on **September 11**.

### Yom Rishon

Yom Rishon meets on Sunday mornings, 10:00-11:15.

We play, move, eat, sing, and do projects that teach us about Sukkot, Hanukkah, and other holidays and Jewish themes.

Please join us in 5782 (2021-22):

**September 19**  
**December 5**  
**February 13**  
**May 15**

*Yom Rishon is free for members. Not a member yet? Please pay \$10/family to offset the cost of this program.*



# High Holy Days & Fall Holiday Celebrations

## High Holy Day Youth Program

High Holy Day youth programming (HHYP) will be offered for children in **kindergarten through 7th grade** on both days of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur. These programs begin at 10:30am.

**Preschool Family Services** for families with preschool-age children begin at 11:00 and last about an hour on both days of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur.



## Kol Nidre "Food for Thought" Fund Drive

The Food For Thought Initiative -- co-founded by Beth Israel Center member Lea Aschkenase in honor of her beloved mother, Thea Ashchkenase (z"l), a Holocaust survivor who knew hunger as a child -- works with the Madison Metropolitan School District and Second Harvest to provide food to hungry students and their families. F4TI food pantries in public schools offer discreet and easy access to take-home food supplies.

Please consider making a contribution to F4TI in the amount you might have spent on food during the Yom Kippur fast.

Any time before Yom Kippur, including when you come to shul for Kol Nidre on September 15 (but not on Shabbat), bring to Beth Israel Center cash or checks payable to Food for Thought.

### S'lichot

*Saturday, August 28, 8:30pm*

We'll begin with Ma'ariv and Havdallah, watch and discuss a film, then join our voices together in the evocative melodies of the season.



### Rosh Hashanah

*Erev Rosh Hashanah 5:45pm Monday, September 6*

*Rosh Hashanah 1 — Tuesday, September 7*

*Services 8am-1pm, HHYP 10:30am-1pm, Preschool Family Service 11-12*

*Tashlich 4:30pm at Vilas Beach*

*Mincha 6:00pm*

*Rosh Hashanah 2 — Wednesday, September 8*

*Services 8am-1pm, HHYP 10:30am-1pm, Preschool Family Service 11-12*

### Yom Kippur

*Erev Yom Kippur 6:15pm Wednesday, September 15*

*Yom Kippur — Thursday, September 16*

*Services begin at 9:00am*

*Youth Program 10:30-12:30, Preschool Family Service 11-12*

*During the afternoon break, study Yonah Chapter 4 with Rabbi Betsy*

*Mincha begins at 4:45 and is followed by Ne'ilah*

*Final Shofar: 8:00pm, followed by Break Fast*

### Young Adults Meet-Up For Drinks with Rabbi Betsy

*Thursday, September 16, 8:45pm*

Calling all young adults! After breaking the Yom Kippur fast, meet up with Rabbi Betsy and kick off the new year in style. The first round of drinks is on BIC!

### Share the Spirit of Sukkot

*September 20-27*

Invite friends or people you don't know well to sit in your sukkah this year and enjoy a nosh, a drink, a meal...or just your company. Not building a sukkah this year or want a larger space to gather in? Meet up in the Beth Israel sukkah!

### Sukkot Yom Tov Services

*Tuesday and Wednesday, September 21 and 22, 9:15am, lunch follows*

Shake your lulav during services and enjoy lunch after shul in the BIC sukkah.

### Shabbat-Sukkot Potluck Dinner

*Friday, September 24*

Share Shabbat-Sukkot dinner in the BIC sukkah.

### East Side Sukkah Hop

*Sunday, September 26, 2:00 - 8:00pm*

Hosted by members of BIC and Congregation Shaarei Shamayim. Watch your email for details!

### Hoshanah Rabbah Services

*Monday, September 27, 7:15am, breakfast follows*

### Shemini Atzeret Yom Tov services

*Tuesday, September 28, 9:15am, lunch follows*

### Erev Simchat Torah Celebration

*Tuesday, September 28*

Come for our traditional deli dinner at 6:00. RSVP for dinner by Friday, Sept. 17. Starting at 7:00, we'll dance double this year. Don't miss it!

### Simchat Torah Services

*Wednesday, September 28, 9:15am; children's program 10:30am*



## Rosh Hashanah Greetings — WITH GIFTS!

You may recall arriving for past Rosh Hashanah services to find a card on your chair, containing Rosh Hashanah greetings from members of the congregation.

This year, we're kicking it up a notch and combining it with some of the fun and success of our recent *Mishloach Manot* fundraiser. Every Madison-area member of the congregation will receive a Rosh Hashanah gift, delivered by a fellow member. Included with each gift will

be a card listing everyone who "sent" it. Everyone gets one gift. Everyone's card will include slightly different names to reflect who donated in your honor.

To get in on the fun — and support this fundraiser — check your email for your personalized ordering link. Choose particular people to "send" gifts to for \$18 each, or go all in and wish everyone in the congregation *l'Shana Tovah* for \$360. **Orders are due August 24.**

## Interfaith Welcome and Support

Welcome and inclusivity are important to us at BIC. We continue to learn how to help all of our members and their loved ones feel at home in our kahal. We want to know how we can foster a greater sense of comfort and belonging for all members of interfaith households and their guests at BIC. We hope to build from the experiences and interests of our interfaith families. If you are interested in being part of a group conversation about interfaith welcome and support, please join Rabbi Forester at **10:00am on Sunday, October 17**. If you are not able to attend in person, please let us know and we'll provide Zoom access.

## Nichum Aveilim: Shifting Shiva

**Kolot Kehilla with Daniel Goldman — Sunday, October 24, 9:45am**

Our Sunday morning speaker series continues with Daniel Goldman presenting the first in a series of congregational learning opportunities about comforting mourners. He will speak about the range of needs that individuals may have in the week following a funeral and begin to explore how our community can best support those needs. Rabbi Betsy will also speak briefly about how we hope to improve our practices, setting the stage for upcoming learning sessions on Sundays October 31 and November 21. Mark your calendars and watch for details.

In his 15 years as a clinical therapist, Daniel has worked with a broad range of human development

and experience, ranging from childhood to end of life. Formally trained in several evidence-based psychotherapies, he has a wealth of clinical experience to share.

Our morning begins with a special brunch with a menu inspired by the topic. Expect comfort food!

The conversation will continue so we can all participate in supporting each other in the most helpful ways. See Rabbi Betsy's column on page 2 for more context about the *Nichum Aveilim* initiative.



## Community-led Shabbat Shira

Once a month after Shabbat Kiddush, linger longer and sing with old and new friends. Mark your calendar for our first scheduled Shabbat Shira of the year, October 23. Want to take a turn at leading? Contact Deborah Hoffman.

## Gender Awareness and Serving the Needs of our LGBTQ+ Members

### Did you know...?

We are proud to serve as an example for synagogues across the country as an egalitarian congregation committed to full inclusion and celebration of LGBTQ+-identified members of our communal family.

The language we use to call people to the Torah is non-gendered because we encourage all people to draw near to the Torah.

We offer creative opportunities for members of our communal family who identify as LGBTQ+ to sanctify unique milestones in their lives.

We include our female ancestors when we mention our male ancestors in our prayers.

We strive for expansiveness when talking about God. For example, the Rabbi's Hebrew "Mi Sheberach" blessing for those in need of healing addresses God using a variety of gendered terms, drawing on the Divine Feminine, Masculine, and unity of limitless possibilities; the blessing in English assumes all possible gendered understandings.

Our annual Pride Shabbat lifts up our entire community as we celebrate Pride and deepen our ally-ship around issues of concern.

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## Regional Programs

### CHUSYfest Fall Convention

Friday-Sunday,  
November 12-14

### KadimaFest/8th Grade Shabbaton

Friday-Sunday,  
December 3-5

### International USY Convention in Washington, D.C.

Sunday-Thursday  
December 26-30

### CHUSY MidWinter Convention

Friday-Sunday  
February 11-13

### CHUSY Spring Kinnus Convention

Friday-Sunday  
April 29-May 1

Take a peek at some of the fun and creative events our wonderful world of MOUSY enjoyed this past spring, and join our spirited MOUSY high school youth group for a year of exciting social get-togethers, community service projects, recreational activities, and religious and educational programs.

To join our fun-loving youth groups, send a check (\$60 for MOUSY, \$40 for Kadima) or contact the office about paying online.

Questions? Email Deborah ([hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org](mailto:hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org)) or Benny ([kadima@bethisraelcenter.org](mailto:kadima@bethisraelcenter.org)) or call 608-256-7763,



**Above:** After our minyan of “mice” lopped off tree branches and cleared brush along the fence line of the Pheasant Branch Conservancy on Sunday afternoon, April 25, we roasted marshmallows and made s’mores at the home of Yael Rosenblatt. First we labored, then we devoured!

**Below:** Our MOUSY quorum of teens participated in Jewish civics by exercising their duty to vote for youth leadership, enjoying a delicious kosher lunch, and flying kites in a novel elections event at Vilas Park on Sunday afternoon, May 23.







# Social Justice Activities

Sally Jones, Social Justice Committee Co-chair, [socialjustice@bethisraelcenter.org](mailto:socialjustice@bethisraelcenter.org).



## Confronting Racism

About 60 Beth Israel Center members are meeting monthly with our partners from the Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership Development to begin the work of understanding racism so that our congregation can embark on a unique project to combat it effectively. For more information, email [socialjustice@bethisraelcenter.org](mailto:socialjustice@bethisraelcenter.org), or contact Andrea Dearlove, project manager.

## Cooking for COVID

Members have been baking commercial size lasagnas for delivery to the Catholic Multicultural Center, The Beacon, and Porchlight each month since May 2020. The Catholic Multicultural Center serves a free meal, every day, to all comers who appear during service time. Most days The Beacon, a downtown day facility for the homeless, also provides a free meal, to go. BIC volunteers assist both agencies (and Porchlight) by providing home-cooked vegetarian lasagna on the second Wednesday of each month, in quantities that serve hundreds of people. SJC provides the recipe and a very large foil pan, and volunteers pick up each cooked lasagna on the designated Wednesday for delivery (all with no contact). For more information or to volunteer, email [cynthiaraehirsch@gmail.com](mailto:cynthiaraehirsch@gmail.com).



About four times each year, for one week at a time, we deliver dinners to Healing House, where families experiencing homelessness stay following hospitalization for childbirth, surgery, etc. An 8-bed residential recuperative facility for homeless



families with someone preparing for, or recovering from, childbirth or a medical procedure or hospitalization, Healing House offers comfortable and safe quarters, plus three meals every day and childcare assistance. During a stay of up to 28 days, families work with The Road Home case managers to seek housing and jobs.

Each BIC volunteer prepares and delivers (with no contact, during COVID-19) dinner, or part of dinner, usually serving four to eight people. Volunteers can work singly, or as a family, or they can partner with other volunteers to cook and deliver one evening's meal. Healing House staff do the serving and cleaning up.

Our next week begins August 8. For more information, email [socialjustice@bethisraelcenter.org](mailto:socialjustice@bethisraelcenter.org) or contact Sally Jones at 608-335-5303.

## Meals on Wheels

Over many years, BIC volunteers have delivered meals, once or twice a month, to elderly and disabled residents of Dane County for this program of SSM Health at Home (formerly Home Health United).

Each weekday lunchtime route takes about 1½ hours. Try a ride-along with a current volunteer if you'd like to see the program first-hand. For more info, call Larry Bensky: (608) 238-2569.

## Yahrzeits

**23 Av / Aug 1**  
Hyman Kulakowsky  
Evelyn Dworetzky Lipp

**24 Av / Aug 2**  
Norman Dachman  
Judith Sternberg  
Tobias Temkin

**25 Av / Aug 3**  
Rose Nathenson

**26 Av / Aug 4**  
Arnold A. Schrank

**27 Av / Aug 5**  
Harry Shaffer  
E. Lester Levine  
Goldie Rubnitz

**28 Av / Aug 6**  
Leta Anderson

**29 Av / Aug 7**  
Belle Holloway  
Louis Perlman  
Annabelle Argand

**30 Av / Aug 8**  
Joshua Lerner  
Anna Marie Popkewitz  
Annie Wander  
Ben-Tzion Karsh  
Peter Daniel Clark

**1 Elul / Aug 9**  
Anna Stein  
Adel Haus  
Herman Karan  
Anna Sweet Prosansky  
A. Rozansky  
Hyman D. Navin

**2 Elul / Aug 10**  
Sarah Berman  
Sarah Cramer  
Ray Cohen

**3 Elul / Aug 11**  
Lillian Harris  
Samuel Forsheit  
Ida Setlick  
Aaron Richman  
Chaya Setlick  
Nathan Paley  
Rose (Rachel) Weinstein  
Patricia Cohler

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## Yahrzeits

### 4 Elul / Aug 12

Charlotte Musin  
Louis Terry  
Carl Friedman  
Jean Schrank

### 5 Elul / Aug 13

William Frank

### 6 Elul / Aug 14

Sara Rosenzweig  
Harry Zimmerman

### 7 Elul / Aug 15

Leo Argand  
Serene Mazor  
Jessie Pollack

### 8 Elul / Aug 16

Sophie Levy  
Harry L. Mullin

### 9 Elul / Aug 17

David Grant Schwab  
Harry Kopelberg

### 10 Elul / Aug 18

Hadasah Bloom  
Cantor Victor Jacoby  
Leah Zipursky  
Harry Kniaz

### 11 Elul / Aug 19

Jeanne Weill Spiller  
Isadore Shapiro  
Ethel Fine-Plen  
Abraham Woolf  
Rose Luterman  
Irwin A. Goodman  
Phillip Zulty  
Robert Chortek

### 12 Elul / Aug 20

Arthur Grant  
Rose Turinsky  
Jennie Becker  
Paul Bass

### 13 Elul / Aug 21

Belle Goodman  
Sally Hammer  
Ida Kaplan  
Carolyn Smoler  
Mollie Sweet  
David Quick

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## Volunteer Appreciation

Deborah Hoffman, Program Director, [hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org](mailto:hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org)

### Rav todot (many thanks) to our recent...

#### Service leaders, sharers of divrei Torah, and chanters of Torah and Haftarat:

Matt Banks, Harvey & Trudy Barash, David and Mirra Bleher, Ally Bowles, Harriet Brown, Betsy Buczakowski, Marsha Cohen; Mark, Dafna, and Micah Copelovitch; Esther Criscuola de Laix, Cher Diamond; Gila, Susie, and Yonah Drazen; Rick Ezell, Bob Factor, Rabbi Betsy Forester, Josh Garoon, Jessica Goerling, Jaime Goldberg, Daniel Goldman, Rabbi Judy Greenberg, Leslie Greenspan, Anna Heifetz, River Heisler, Si Hellerstein, Deborah Hoffman, Phil Hollander, Bill Karasov, Sara Karon, Erica Kesin Richmond, Steve Kessler, Jacob Kianovsky, Ruth Litovsky, Daniel Levitin, Arlene Lukin, Laurel Mark; Adam, Aphra, Eliza and Simon Mednick; Don Miner, Laurie Nagus; Amira, Josh, and Judy Pierotti; Jon Pollack, Mike Pressman, Michael & Kathi Rock, Nate Rudin, Fran Schrag, Bill Schwab, Sion Shabtaie, Nadav Shelef, Karen Shevet Dinah, Rahm Simani, Bob Skloot, Judith Sone, Henry Steinberger, Jerry Sternberg, Dan Stolz, Jeanne Swack, Rayla Temin, Jim Wear, Rhiannon Wilson

**Lag B'Omer Kumsitz and Open Mic Performers/Helpers:** David Baum & Ruth Litovsky, Hanna Bettner, Larry Chapman, Marsha Cohen, Micah Copelovitch, Rabbi Betsy Forester, Jessica Goerling, Roz Gusinow, Bill Karasov, Lorna Kniaz, Katie & Harris Krause, Simon Mednick, Don & Kathy Miner, Bruce Wasserstrom, Jim Wear

**Pride Shabbat Speakers, Organizers, and Moderators:** Matt Banks, Ally Bowles, Betsy Buczakowski, Cher Diamond, Rabbi Betsy Forester, Jessica Goerling, Sally Jones, Sara Karon, Laurel Mark, Judy Pierotti, Bob & JoAnn Skloot, Henry Steinberger

**Shabbat Kiddush Crew:** David Balkansky, David Baum, Josh Garoon, Jaime Goldberg, Roz Gusinow, Anna Heifetz, Kazu Kitano, Tziporah Quick, Regina Vidaver, Jim & Ziva Wear

**Lasagna Cooks and Delivery Crews:** Stacy Anderson, Miriam Aron, David Baum, Larry & Janice Bensky, Debra Berman, Hannah Bernard-Donals, Bennett Berson, Marsha Cohen, Kathy Costello, Cher Diamond, Susie Drazen, Beth Fisher, Janet Frenz, Josh Gabai, Louise Goldstein, Janice Gratch, Billie Hellerstein, Bobbie Jellinek, Sally Jones & Aaron Friedman, Linda Kailin, Corliss Karasov, Bettine Lipman, Laurie Nagus, Mary Quinn, Judy Pierotti, Erica and Nathaniel Richmond, Ilona Rodan Ganetzky, Diane Seder, Karen Shevet Dinah, Cara Silverman, Bob & JoAnn Skloot, Merle Sternberg, Beth Weber

**Healing House Volunteers:** Doris Dubielzig, Lorna Kniaz, Ruth Litovsky, Leslie Grant, Sue & Russ Shafer-Landau, and Paula Volpiansky

**Laundry Angels:** Hannah Bernard-Donals, Karen Shevet Dinah



### Volunteer Spotlight: Karen Shevet Dinah

Karen Shevet Dinah, BIC's *Shomeret et haAdamah* (guardian of the earth), has been weeding and watering our grounds this season, almost single-handedly!

When she's not gardening, Karen reads and watches everything she can find in Spanish to maintain her language skills, hoping to return to Guatemala, where she sponsors and volunteers with students, helping them complete their university education. At BIC, Karen supports ritual life and launders the towels used by visitors to the mikvah. *Todah Rabbah!*



# Making Kiddush Special

Deborah Hoffman, Program Director, [hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org](mailto:hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org)

## Seize the Yom – Sukkot is just around the corner!

Judaism celebrates three harvest holidays--Sukkot, Pesach, and Shavuot--the *Shalosh Regalim*. Each festival wraps ancient harvest customs connected to the land of Israel into our Jewish historical narrative.

Just as ancient Jews traveled to the Temple in Jerusalem to celebrate these pilgrimage festivals by offering sacrifices, we modern Jews make our way to synagogue to pray, read the related passages describing these holidays, and then do what we Jews always do--celebrate together over a festive meal!

Purposefully celebrating together as a community for these *chagim* gives us an opportunity to live our Judaism as a natural part of our daily lives. Before the pandemic, these special kiddushim were off to a strong and delicious start. We are excited to resume, and we need your help. You can co-sponsor a Yom Tov kiddush with a minimum donation of \$36. Your contribution can mark a special occasion or important person to be honored, while also enhancing the menu. Call the office or email Deborah (address above) with questions or to make a contribution toward one of our upcoming kiddushim.

## Support Shabbat Kiddush!

The Beth Israel Center Shabbat kiddush serves an important purpose in the life of our community. It is a special time and place to come together to celebrate Shabbat with our *kehilla* (sacred community) and to actively embody the mitzvah of *hachnasat orchim* (welcoming guests). We serve lunch every week after Shabbat morning services.

You can contribute in one (or more!) of these three ways:

**Sponsor:** Select a date and treat the congregation with your generosity. Honor a special occasion or special people. Help plan the menu, or leave it to us. We offer three sponsorship levels, featuring expanded menu options aligned with minimum donations of \$360, \$500, or \$720.

**Donate:** Want to show your support less publicly? Donate any amount to the Martin and Serene Mazor Kiddush Fund or the Alfred A. and Lois Frank Congregational Life Fund. To donate, use our online donation form, send a check with a note, or contact the office with the amount of your donation.

**Volunteer:** If you would like to join the kiddush crew and be part of this vital – and fun! – Beth Israel Center tradition, email Deborah Hoffman ([hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org](mailto:hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org)) or call (608) 256-7763 for information. Help prepare foods or set up during the week, or be part of the crew on a Shabbat morning. There are lots of jobs to do. We'll help find the one that's best for you!

### Appreciation for recent and upcoming Kiddush sponsorships:

- June 19 – Judy Hellerstein, Phil, Gabi, Ethan, and Oren Swagel in celebration of Si Hellerstein's milestone birthday.
- July 3 – Shari Ottenstein in loving memory of her father, Dave Ottenstein, on the occasion of his 16th yearzeit.
- July 31 – Josh, Stav, and Ziv Garoon to celebrate Michal Engleman's birthday.
- September 11 – Sara and Jeff Mandell to celebrate the first day of Shabbat Talmud Torah resuming in our building.

### Yahrzeits

#### 14 Elul / Aug 22

Revetta Katsnelson  
Solomon Glass  
Hyman Daitch

#### 16 Elul / Aug 24

Leah Heifetz  
Oscar Ganetzky

#### 18 Elul / Aug 26

Hilda Barash  
Goldie Kniaz Kruglak  
Simcha Lazimy  
Chaim Zukerman  
Hilda Barash

#### 19 Elul / Aug 27

Harold Rutchick  
Samuel Schuckit  
Edna Weinsenker  
Sarah Mintz  
Peter Bensch Sr.  
Bertha Kniaz

#### 20 Elul / Aug 28

Ida Epstein  
David Edward Jacobs  
Evelyn Wasserstrom  
Charles Adler  
Joseph Karch

#### 21 Elul / Aug 29

Dinah Melman  
Reine Rothblatt  
Eugenia Rozmalty  
Allen Sweet  
Leah Cherbachowsky  
Dora Baum Wolman  
Edward Bregman  
Alex Sinaiko

#### 22 Elul / Aug 30

Sophie Sagbir Goldstein  
Albert Kniaz  
Meyer Levin  
Anna Krashen  
Helen H. Marcus

#### 23 Elul / Aug 31

Mary Cohen  
Leo Schwartz  
Naomi Kessler  
Hadassah Paley  
Tillie Cohen Lem

#### 24 Elul / Sept 1

Henriette Miller

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## Yahrzeits

### 25 Elul / Sept 2

Hyman Landweber  
Leah Blachman  
Raphael Kianovsky  
Alexander Katsnelson  
David Wener

### 26 Elul / Sept 3

Susan Mager  
Israel Rozmaity  
Miriam Siroky  
Arthur Scholick  
Bessie Rosen  
Stephen R. Mandell  
Meir Hayman

### 27 Elul / Sept 4

Rose Ann Karan  
Phillip Kivolowitz  
Ezra Heymann  
Helen Adler

### 28 Elul / Sept 5

George Silver  
Minnie Zulty  
Anita Parks  
Wesley Zulty  
Frieda Epstein  
Abraham Chechik  
Danny Morgensteren

### 29 Elul / Sept 6

Sarah Stein  
David Rothblatt  
Max Sweet  
Faye Amdur

### 1 Tishrei / Sept 7

Yechiel Rosenzweig  
Gilbert Rosenberg  
Dorothy Levy  
Harold Switzky  
Patrick Hawkins  
Sylvia Pasch  
Leo S. Shapiro  
Marshall Mintz  
Tilly Weiner

### 2 Tishrei / Sept 8

Lillian Zakhem  
Harry Goodman  
Coleman Slavney  
Ruth Mann  
Henry Temkin  
Norman A. Frank

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## Summer Fun in the Sun!

BIC members have been getting out and about together around Madison — boating on Lake Wingra, picking strawberries with family and friends, strolling through Olbrich Gardens, touring the UW Arboretum prairie, gardening and picking crops at Forward Farm for donation to local food pantries, soaking up the lakeside evening ambience at the Union Terrace, and meeting up at local farmers markets. Kudos to Deborah Hoffman for arranging delightful ways for us to connect. Happy Summering!



**Join our BIC outdoor lovers for more activities in August and September!**

Blooms & Butterflies at Schuster's Farm - Sunday morning, August 8

Union Terrace Meet-Up - Thursday, August 12

Boating on Lake Wingra - Sunday morning, August 15

Twilight Paddle at full moon on Lake Wingra - Thursday evening, August 19

Monroe Street Farmers Market Meet-up - Sunday, August 29

Apple Picking - Sunday morning, September 12

*Watch your email for details!*



**Yahrzeits**

**3 Tishrei / Sept 9**

Bayla Rachel Mazursky

**4 Tishrei / Sept 10**

Sam Katz  
Fay Forester  
Sarah Knupp  
Molly Ansell

**6 Tishrei / Sept 12**

Max Weigler  
Tillie Rosenberg  
Judy Balkansky  
Dorothy Whitcomb

**7 Tishrei / Sept 13**

Samuel Kneller  
Martin Mazor  
Elva Simon  
Rudolph Dolezal

**8 Tishrei / Sept 14**

Douglas G. Batty  
Bessie Bornstein  
Esther Scheinman  
Gussie Wein  
Donna Newman

**9 Tishrei / Sept 15**

Frances Funteas  
Valentin Sobotka  
Lillian Rosenzweig  
Ida Sweet  
Zachary Onikul  
Murray Feit

**10 Tishrei / Sept 16**

Philip Borisy  
Naomi Susan Sinagub  
Rafael Bornstein  
Albert Borenstein

**11 Tishrei / Sept 17**

Nate J. Sudow  
Rose Sweet Shapiro  
Roy Anderson  
Shmuel ben Benjamin  
Henry Karpe  
Rubin Schuckit

**12 Tishrei / Sept 18**

Harry Lewis  
Michael Paley Stein  
Rose Schain  
Yecheil Temkin  
Noah Tomash  
Esther Lewis  
Phineas Grunes  
Harry Becker

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## Yahrzeits

### 13 Tishrei / Sept 19

Alvin Pratzel  
Lenny Rosenthal  
Max Rosen  
Rose Winer

### 14 Tishrei / Sept 20

Julius Grunes  
Esther Frank  
Annette Gould  
Harry J. Goodman

### 15 Tishrei / Sept 21

Harry Sternberg  
Charles Halperin

### 16 Tishrei / Sept 22

Sol Weiman  
Jean L. Linderman  
Abe Stein  
Belle Spitz

### 17 Tishrei / Sept 23

Marcia Lucille Terman  
William Simmons  
Avraham B. Levin

### 18 Tishrei / Sept 24

Vivian Daniels  
Albert Daniels

### 19 Tishrei / Sept 25

Joann Murray Anderson  
Dora Sinykin  
Nehama Sweet  
Joseph Rossman  
Rubin Stein

### 20 Tishrei / Sept 26

Rebekah Azen  
Rose Mazursky  
Miriam Sulman  
Miriam Sweet  
Geraldine Randy  
Lewis Altschuler

### 21 Tishrei / Sept 27

Barbara Cohen  
Nellie Jacobs  
Betty Sommerfeld Miner  
Ida Glick  
Ruth Mandelbaum  
Solomon Sweet

### 22 Tishrei / Sept 28

Tsivyah Kanter  
Ben Minkoff

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## Mazal Tov to...

- Rose and Lee Malm, on the birth of their baby girl, Lilly Lee, and to new grandparents Eve Fine and Ken Schneck, great-grandmother Hilda Fine, aunt and uncle Maureen and Brand Grinslade, and aunt Grace Schneck.
- Joshua Pierotti and family on Josh's joining the ranks of our b'nei mitzvah in May.
- Dafna Copelovitch and family on Dafna's joining the ranks of our b'nei mitzvah in May.



## Condolences to the families of...

- Cantor Leo Fettman, husband of Annette, father of Jack, Aviva, Renana, and Rachel.
- Harry Friedman, father of Diane Loeb and Paul (Janet) Friedman, grandfather of Jana and Adam Loeb.



## Memorial & Tribute Gifts

The following pages contain a record of the memorial and tribute gifts made to Beth Israel Center between April and mid June. We are so grateful to each donor. Every gift makes it possible for us to create a community that is alive with celebration, learning, prayer and tikkun olam. Todah Rabbah!

### **Abe Barash Fund**

#### *in memory of*

Ellen Weiss Zitkin from Alan Weinberg & Claire Weiss  
Abraham Barash and Rebecca Nathenson from Eva Barash Eiseman  
Rabbi Paul Drazen from Hal & Dorrie Berkowitz  
Aryne Eisenberg from Leslie Eisenberg  
Annabelle Loeb from Marc Shovers & Jan Loeb  
Beatrice Kosowsky from Mark Kosowsky  
Meril Stein and Bess Stein from Susan Wick

### **Building Capital Fund**

#### *in memory of*

Paul Rock from Michael Rock & Kathi Johnson Rock

### **Shirley Epstein Kitchen Supplies Fund**

#### *in memory of*

Aaron Epstein from Dennis & Nancy Lieder and Larry Epstein

### **Alfred A. & Lois Frank Congregational Life Fund**

#### *in memory of*

Elliot Iver from Kazu Kitano  
Al Mocny from Michael & Patrice Onheiber  
Alice Hanau from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen  
Samuel Moskowsky, Julius Ruskin, and Harry Moss from Samuel Moss  
Rose Druch from Shelley Davey  
Rose Schwartz and Robert Schwartz from Steven Schwartz

### **Fund for the Future**

#### *in honor of*

Si Hellerstein's Milestone Birthday! from Matthew & Jennie Edes-Pierotti



# Memorial & Tribute Gifts (Con't.)

## General Fund

### *in appreciation of*

the Zoom services we have been able to attend that have made us feel connected during the holidays from Robert & Gail Stagman  
 Rabbi Betsy, the staff, and the daily minyan from Ron Czerwien & Helen Hanau  
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 Deb Hoffman's great efforts on behalf of the shul and for her great kinship from Barry & Lorrie Klemons  
 Elissa Pollack for taking the time to help with memorial plaques from Nicki Milin

### *in honor of*

Si Hellerstein's 90th Birthday from Barry & Yvonne Sacks

### *in memory of*

Genevieve Ruben from Arnold & Sharon Ruben  
 Harry Friedman from Blair Beyda  
 Jeanette Frank from Callie Dixon  
 Haskell Friedman and Harry Friedman from David Friedman  
 Julius Ruskin from David Ruskin  
 Blanche Altshuler, Caroline Sulman and Harry Altshuler from David Sulman & Anne Altshuler  
 Herb Kleibard from Diane Silverberg  
 Amy Azen, Mae Azen, and Harry Gevirman from Edwin Azen  
 Shirley Blank from Judith Blank  
 Anne Sweet from Lawrence & Jessica Sweet  
 Ben Jacobs from Mark Jacobs  
 Sedelle Diamond and Harry Figler from Michael Figler  
 Evelyn Jellinek from Bobbie & Steve Jellinek  
 Gary Sweet from Howard Sweet & James Warren  
 Cantor Leo Fettman from Nicki Milin  
 Harry Friedman from Randi Blackman  
 Bernard Schwab from Richard & Sharon Schwab  
 Pearl "Honey" Korshak and William Schuckit from Robert & Jeri Jo Schuckit  
 Leo & Alice Barth from Rosalie Schindel  
 Harry Gerson from Sharon Glass  
 Cantor Leo Fettman from Si & Billie Hellerstein  
 Esther and Harry Sweet from Stephen & Rae Sweet

## Herman Goldstein Fund

### *get well*

Francie Saposnik from Rabbi Charles & Krayna Feinberg

### *in honor of*

Si Hellerstein from Rabbi Charles & Krayna Feinberg

## Jake Heifetz Fund

### *in memory of*

Bill Karpe from David Karpe & Julita Jankowska

## Rose and Morris Heifetz Welfare Fund

### *in memory of*

Phillip Silverstein from Anna Heifetz  
 Morris and Rose Heifetz from Rona Heifetz

## Holman/Weisbard Fund for Adult Jewish Learning

### *in memory of*

Charles Lipstein from Joan Ershler  
 Allen Zemmol and Frieda Weinstein from Joel & Debbie Minkoff  
 Howard Eisenberg from Phyllis T. Eisenberg

## Yahrzeits

### **23 Tishrei / Sept 29**

Elizabeth Tuerkheimer  
 Melvin Freund  
 Claire Rudin

### **24 Tishrei / Sept 30**

Jacob Hellerstein  
 Isadore Eisenberg  
 Melvin Pover  
 W.J. Shapiro  
 Clara Cohn  
 Edith Berg

### **25 Tishrei / Oct 1**

Suzanne Schrag  
 Harry Temkin

### **26 Tishrei / Oct 2**

Lillian Onikul  
 Esther Kulakowsky  
 Marcia Lewis  
 Nathan Borokhim  
 Leon Lassen  
 Rachel Sinaiko  
 Nathan Dutch

### **27 Tishrei / Oct 3**

Sarah Glick  
 Charles Glick  
 Bernard Miller  
 Bella Sweet

### **28 Tishrei / Oct 4**

Joseph D. Zatlin  
 Chana Schostak  
 Donald M. Meyers  
 Sterling Fishman

### **29 Tishrei / Oct 5**

Helen Feit  
 Rose Gerson  
 Shoshana Hellerstein  
 Jacob Sinagub

### **30 Tishrei / Oct 6**

Marilyn Holman  
 George Sternberg  
 Marvin Wexler  
 Sterling Fishman  
 Joe (Jachial) Temkin

### **1 Cheshvan / Oct 7**

Rubin Adler  
 Ruben Blachman  
 Grace Goldstein  
 Esther Lefevre

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## Yahrzeits

### 2 Cheshvan / Oct 8

Alex Temkin

### 3 Cheshvan / Oct 9

Rabbi Gary Diamond  
Harry Schackter

### 4 Cheshvan / Oct 10

Yankel Brandt  
Raichel Goldshtern  
Hirsh Goldshtern  
Hinda Goldshtern  
Mariyam Goldshtern  
Yidel Moshe Goldshtern  
Dina Brandt  
Doba Goldshtern  
Zlateh Goldshtern  
Usher Goldshtern  
Goldie Portnoy  
Sima Brandt  
Chaim Goldshtern  
Yankel Goldshtern  
Chaya Goldshtern  
Eva Shenker  
Feyga Brandt  
Motele Brandt  
Rivkele Goldshtern  
Liba Goldshtern  
Brayna Goldshtern  
Avram Goldshtern  
Yudel Brandt  
Liber Goldshtern  
Benjamin Goldshtern  
Sima Goldshtern  
Rebecca Seidman  
Harry Frank  
Dorothy S. Levin  
Sadie Silver  
Soreh Elke

### 5 Cheshvan / Oct 11

Minnie Simmons  
Max Tuerkheimer  
Bernice Coppersmith  
Theodore Jellinek  
Helen Goldman  
Ruth Oster Weisbard

### 6 Cheshvan / Oct 12

Jacob Cooper  
Charles Layton  
Steve Orman  
Avrom Kniaz  
Minnie Kessel  
Leonard A. Sweet

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## Memorial & Tribute Gifts (Con't.)

### Martin & Serene Mazor Kiddush Fund

#### *get well*

Francie Saposnik from Lorna Mazor Kniaz and Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen

#### *in honor of*

Sam & Kelsey Shabtaie's wedding from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen

#### *in memory of*

Morris Kniaz and Tamar Chaimson from Lorna Mazor Kniaz  
Mickey Pressman from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen

### Mikvah Fund

#### *get well*

Francie Saposnik from Rayla Temin

### Julius Mintz Fund

#### *in memory of*

David Weinstein from Barbara Beyer  
Bernie Mazursky from Howard & Sally Mazur  
Julius Mintz, Sam Paley, Marvin Eisenberg, Moshe Paley, Ben Paley, Fruma Mintz, Hyman Paley and Marvin Conney from Phyllis Eisenberg  
Frieda Melnik from Sol & Corlie Blumenfeld

### Pesach Yizkor

from Steve & Bobbie Jellinek, Allan Levin and Sol Zaichick

#### *in memory of*

Lillian & Harold Weber from Beth Weber

### Daniel & Judith Pierotti Social Justice Fund

#### *in honor of*

Josh Pierotti's Bar Mitzvah from Andrea Dearlove, Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen, Si & Billie Hellerstein

Dafna Copelovitch's Bat Mitzvah from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen

#### *in memory of*

Yetta Sinagub and Abraham Sinagub from Jonathan Sinagub  
Gertrude Melrood and Hannah Ticktin from Laurie Melrood

### Rabbi Endowed Chair Fund

#### *in honor of*

Josh Pierotti's Bar Mitzvah from Matthew & Jennie Edes-Pierotti

### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

#### *get well*

Francie Saposnik from Mitch & Sharon Rapkin

#### *in memory of*

Sheldon Bernstein from Bradley Bernstein  
Cantor Leo Fettman from Harry & Karen Roth and Susie Drazen  
Henry Yaskal, Julius Miller and Art Yaskal from Maureen Yaskal  
Oscar Rapkin and Hyman Lerner from Mitch & Sharon Rapkin  
Julius Miller from Raymond & Phyllis Davis

### Rosenberg Library Fund

#### *in memory of*

Sonia Rosenthal from Len & Martha Tenzer  
Nancy Rieger from Matthew & Cara Silverman  
Meyer Sweet from Merle & Patricia Sweet  
Diane Schwam and Anna Schwam from Emanuel Schwam

### Shavuot Yizkor

from Sol Zaichick



# Memorial & Tribute Gifts (Con't.)

## Shavuot Yizkor in memory of

Sonia and Saul Rosenthal and Annette and Irwin Tenzer from Len & Marti Tenzer

## Talmud Torah Fund in honor of

Josh Pierotti's becoming a Bar Mitzvah from Matthew & Jennie Edes-Pierotti  
Dafna Copelovitch's becoming a Bat Mitzvah from Susie Drazen

## David Temkin Camp Ramah Fund in honor of

Si Hellerstein's birthday from Alan & Jean Lettofsky  
the Bat Mitzvah of Laila Shoenberger and the Bar Mitzvah of Micah  
Shoenberger from Bruce Thomadsen & Louise Goldstein  
Si Hellerstein on his 90th birthday from Rayla Temin

## in memory of

Minnie Isaac and Herman Onheiber from Maria Onheiber

## Joe Temkin Education Fund in honor of

Si Hellerstien's birthday, with much love from Harvey, Barbara, James, Danny,  
Yaara, Adiv, Gilad, Eli, Emma and Caleb Temkin

## in memory of

Bernie Mazursky from Harvey Temkin & Barbara Myers Temkin  
William Onheiber from Maria Onheiber

## Adolf Weinshel Torah Repair & Maintenance Fund in memory of

David Ottenstein from Elana Ottenstein, Shari Ottenstein, Eric & Debbie Alden  
and Kathy & Jay Ottenstein

## Youth Fund in honor of

Mirra Blehert on her graduation from high school, and going on to Brandeis  
from Rayla Temin  
Dafna Copelovitch on become a Bat Mitzvah from Rayla Temin

## Yahrzeits

### 7 Cheshvan / Oct 13

Max Weinstein  
Chaim Katsnelson  
Arthur Sweet  
Dora Cohen Gross

### 8 Cheshvan / Oct 14

Dora Kapetovske  
Helene Goldman  
Sam Nager  
Rose Passon  
Herman Kaufman  
Patricia Lohr Haas  
Stanley Langer  
Lillian Levin  
Sol Kaplan

### 10 Cheshvan / Oct 16

Ghita Bessman  
Michael Karp  
Sydney Bernard

### 11 Cheshvan / Oct 17

Sol Burstein  
Joseph Frank  
Bella Goldstein  
Joseph Frank  
Marvin Gottlieb  
Sarah Goldberg

### 12 Cheshvan / Oct 18

Herman Argand  
Mildred "Babe" Conney  
Aaron Kerlow  
Jacob Altschuler  
Bessie Katz  
Frances Mesuse  
Pnina Karsh

### 13 Cheshvan / Oct 19

Irving Levy  
Celia Weigler  
Faye Jacobs  
Eli Wolman

### 14 Cheshvan / Oct 20

Ruth Seder  
Harry Luterman  
Minnie Sokolov  
Reva Sweet  
Marcy Deutsch

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# Online Giving Update

## Welcome to ShulCloud!

This summer, we implemented a long-awaited transition to a new online platform for Beth Israel Center members to manage their accounts or make payments. The same platform also improves the online experience for anyone looking to support our congregation with a monetary donation. *Hakarat hatov* to Elissa Pollack, Sarah Masa-Myers, and Don Miner for getting us up and running. Watch for more features and give us your feedback! To check it out, head to [www.bethisraelcenter.org](http://www.bethisraelcenter.org) and click on one of the icons near the bottom of the home page:



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**Yahrzeits**

**15 Cheshvan / Oct 21**

Al Frank  
Sam Sadoff  
Harry Diamenstein  
Max Kulakowsky  
Meir Lazimy  
Philip Zlochenko  
Erin Karp  
Della Zimmerman  
Lilly Kopelberg  
Jake Heifetz

**16 Cheshvan / Oct 22**

Norman Feldman  
D.J. Wasserstrom  
Howard Klein

**17 Cheshvan / Oct 23**

Sam Seidman  
Harry Joselewitz

**18 Cheshvan / Oct 24**

Toyba Black  
Benny Sweet  
Harvey Korshak  
Bertha Sweet Wener

**19 Cheshvan / Oct 25**

Phylis Skloot Bamberger  
Judy Siegel  
Chaim Field  
Rebecca Cohen  
D. Bernard Weinberg

**20 Cheshvan / Oct 26**

Clara Rothblatt

**21 Cheshvan / Oct 27**

Dottie Weiner  
Sidney Laitman  
Hyman Marlowe

**22 Cheshvan / Oct 28**

Lippa Nathenson  
Lila Hodes  
Phillip Siegel  
Bessie Vein  
Leo Stein  
Gussie Lorber  
Abe Gast

**23 Cheshvan / Oct 29**

Abraham Felsher  
Mathilde Salomon

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# Regular Service Schedule

**Kabbalat Shabbat**

Every Friday, come schmooze starting at 5:00. Services at 5:45.

**Shabbat Mornings**

We are thrilled to be back in person! Services start at 9:15am and are followed by Kiddush lunch. For those unable to attend, services are broadcast online.

**Ha-video-dallah**

Join us on Zoom once a month about 5 minutes after Shabbat goes out for Havdallah and a little schmooze. Upcoming dates and times:

- August 14 at 8:54pm
- September 11 at 8:00pm
- October 9 at 7:10pm

**Daily Connection Minyanim**

All kinds of connection goes on at minyan, and newcomers are always welcome!

- Sunday mornings - Hybrid\* - 8:15am
- Tuesday and Wednesday - Zoom only - 8:00am
- Torah reading days (typically Mondays and Thursdays) - Hybrid\* - 7:15am
- Friday mornings - Zoom only - 7:15am
- Monday through Thursday evenings - Zoom only - 5:30pm

*\*Hybrid means come in person if you can, or join us on Zoom.*



# Calendars

## August 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6 5:00 schmooze 5:45 services	7 9:15 services
8 Blooms & Butterflies Healing House Week	9	10	11 Confronting Racism	12 Union Terrace Meet-Up	13 5:00 schmooze 5:45 services	14 9:15 services 10:30 Matchilim Ha-Video-Dallah
15 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DUE! Boating on Lake Wingra	16	17	18	19 Full Moon Twilight Paddle	20 Kabbalat Shabbat at Hoyt Park 5:45	21 9:15 services
22 Hava Nagila Jewish Community Picnic	23	24	25	26	27 5:00 schmooze 5:45 services	28 9:15 services 8:30pm S'lichot
29 Monroe St Farmer's Market Meet-up	30	31				

## September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 9:15 services
5	6 Erev Rosh Hashanah 5:45 services <i>Office closed</i>	7 <b>Rosh Hashanah I</b> 8am-1pm services HHYP (see p 6) 4:30 Tashlich <i>Office closed</i>	8 <b>Rosh Hashanah II</b> 8am-1pm services HHYP (see p 6) <i>Office closed</i>	9	10 5:00 schmooze 5:45 services	11 9:15 services first day of Shabbat School Matchilim Ha-video-dallah
12 Apple Picking	13	14	15 <i>Office closes at noon</i> <b>Erev Yom Kippur</b> 6:15 services	16 <b>Yom Kippur</b> 9am-8pm services HHYP (see p 6) Break Fast Young Adult Event <i>Office closed</i>	17 5:00 schmooze 5:45 services	18 9:15 services
19 Yom Rishon - Sukkot Decorating	20 Erev Sukkot	21 Sukkot I 9:15 services <i>Office closed</i>	22 Sukkot II 9:15 services <i>Office closed</i>	23 Sukkot III first Thursday Talmud Torah	24 Sukkot IV 5:45 service Shabbat-Sukkot Dinner in the BIC Sukkah	25 Sukkot V 9:15 services
26 Sukkot VI East Side Sukkah Hop 2:00-8:00	27 Sukkot VII Hoshanah Rabbah 7:15am services	28 Shmini Atzeret 9:15 services Simchat Torah Celebration 7pm <i>Office closed</i>	29 Simchat Torah 9:15 services children's program 10:30 <i>Office closed</i>	30 TT		

## October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 9:15 services
3	4	5 first Tuesday Talmud Torah Tea & Torah Centerite Deadline	6 Wednesday Wisdom	7 TT	8 5:00 schmooze 5:45 services Dinner <b>Rabbi Ira Stone Scholar In Residence</b>	9 9:15 services Scholar talks Ha-video-dallah
10 Rabbi Ira Stone program	11	12 TT Tea & Torah Board of Directors	13 Wednesday Wisdom Confronting Racism	14 TT	15 5:00 schmooze 5:45 services	16 9:15 services
17 Conversation with Interfaith Families	18	19 TT Tea & Torah	20 Wednesday Wisdom Rabbi's Mussar Class Begins	21 TT	22 5:00 schmooze 5:45 services	23 9:15 services Shabbat Shira N'tivon (11th/12th grades)
24 Kolot Kehilla: Nichum Aveilim 1  Nichum Aveilim 2 31	25	26 TT Tea & Torah	27 Wednesday Wisdom	28 TT	29 5:00 schmooze 5:45 services	30 9:15 services

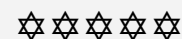
### Yahrzeits

#### 24 Cheshvan / Oct 30

Dorothy Nelson  
Mae Levy  
Horace Rosen  
David Cramer

#### 25 Cheshvan / Oct 31

Sarah Gordon  
Irving S. Saposnik  
Andrea Stein  
Victor Dorret  
Lena Peturs  
Bess Frank



Beth Israel Center maintains a database of Yahrzeit observances for members and some former members.

The people listed on the sides of the previous pages died on the Hebrew calendar dates listed in years past.

If you would like to observe the anniversary of a loved one's passing by reciting kaddish with a Beth Israel Center minyan, please contact the office so we can notify the community of your need and answer any questions.

The customary yahrzeit observation begins on the evening prior to the Gregorian dates listed on these pages.

If you have a question, correction, or addition to our records, please contact the office.

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**Aug/Sept/Oct Candle Lighting Times**

<b>Shabbat</b>	<b>Parasha</b>	<b>Candle Lighting</b>	<b>Shabbat Ends</b>
Aug 6/7	Re'eh	7:54pm	8:51pm
Aug 13/14	Shoftim	7:44pm	8:42pm
Aug 20/21	Ki Teitzei	7:33pm	8:30pm
Aug 27/28	Ki Tavo	7:22pm	8:19pm
Sept 3/4	Nitzavim	7:10pm	8:07pm
Sept 10/11	Vayeilech	6:58pm	7:55pm
Sept 17/18	Ha'Azinu	6:45pm	7:42pm
Sept 24/25	Sukkot	6:32pm	7:29pm
Oct 1/2	Bereshit	6:20pm	7:16pm
Oct 8/9	Noach	6:08pm	7:05pm
Oct 15/16	Lech-Lecha	5:56pm	6:53pm
Oct 22/23	Vayera	5:45pm	6:42pm
Oct 29/30	Chayei Sara	5:35pm	6:32pm
<b>Date</b>	<b>Holy Day</b>	<b>Candle Lighting</b>	<b>Chag Ends</b>
Sept 6/7	Rosh Hashanah I	7:05pm	
Sept 7/8	Rosh Hashanah II	8:01pm	8:00pm
Sept 15/16	Yom Kippur	6:49pm	7:45pm
Sept 20/21	Sukkot I	6:39pm	
Sept 21/22	Sukkot II	7:37pm	7:35pm
Sept 27/28	Shmini Atzeret	6:26pm	
Sept 28/29	Simchat Torah	7:24pm	7:22pm