



THE BETH ISRAEL CENTERITE

Celebrating Jewish Life Together

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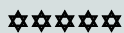
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High Holy Days 5780 Begin September 30

Rosh Hashanah begins Sunday evening, September 30. Service times, ticket information, childcare information and more is in the membership renewal mailing being sent to members around the same time as this newsletter. Please purchase your High Holy Day tickets when you renew membership on or before September 9.

Tickets are required for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services.

Members can purchase tickets for \$75 when renewing membership for the year that begins September 1.

We happily welcome first-timers and students with free tickets.

Please contact the office with ticket requests or questions.



Rosh Hashanah / September 30 - October 2

Yom Kippur / October 8-9

For Fall holiday programming, see page 8.

Upcoming Events

Summer Shabbat Potluck in Hoyt Park: Friday, August 9, 5:45pm

Welcome Shabbat with lively song and your Beth Israel friends in the great outdoors! Services begin at 5:45pm and all are welcome to stay for dinner. Bring friends and kosher-dairy food or drink to share. Paper plates and plastic cutlery provided.

OutReach Magic Festival: Sunday, August 18, 1:00-6:00pm

Come enjoy a festive afternoon at Warner Park celebrating LGBTQ pride and supporting LGBTQ rights. Visit us at the Jewish Congregations for Social Justice Booth!

Annual Membership Meeting: Tuesday, September 10, 6:30pm

Hear about the state of our shul and some new initiatives for the coming year. Also participate in our annual election of new Board members. Enjoy a casual dinner before the meeting beginning at 5:45pm. RSVP for dinner by contacting the office by September 3.

Fall Meditation Mini-Retreat: Saturday, September 14, 1:30-4:30pm

Spend Shabbat afternoon meditating, chanting, and learning a little Torah. This Merchav HaLev program is free and accessible to all, from beginners to experienced practitioners. Will Jewish meditation be part of



Thoughts from the Rabbi...

מחשבות *Makh'shavot: Sacred Questions*

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On Shabbat mornings and for other programs in the main sanctuary or social hall, enter from either Mound Street or the parking lot.

Sunday through Friday—for Talmud Torah, weekday minyan, committee meetings, visits to the office, etc.—please enter from the parking lot.

If you are attending a meeting or class outside of regular office hours, contact the office with any questions about gaining access.

Next Centerite Deadline:
October 4, 2019

As I write this piece, I am halfway through my summer of Clinical Pastoral Education. The learning has been rich and transformative. I will



return to you in September with the wisdom and understanding one can only gain from such an intense program. I am grateful for the opportunity to expand my professional skills so that I can serve you to

my highest capacity.

This experience reminds me of the story about the Hassidic Rabbi Shneur Zalman receiving a visit from the St. Petersburg Chief of Police while imprisoned there. The Chief asked why God, who is all knowing, asked Adam, "Where are you?" God knew that Adam was in the Garden of Eden! Rabbi Zalman replied, "In every generation God calls out to each of us: 'Where are you? What have you accomplished? How far have you gotten in this world? How far along are you?'"

Over the summer, I have learned how to connect more deeply to those questions on a personal level. Soon, we will bring in a new year, and I will return to Beth Israel Center in high gear. It is appropriate for us to reflect upon the gift of being alive in this world and the roles we are called to serve in it. What are we doing to create a habitable world, one where people are safe and can flourish in the fullness of their humanity, a world grounded in justice, peace, love, and compassion? As we enter our second year together, I am already planning for many opportunities to engage that question through study, discussion, and action.

During the coming year, we will explore issues of social justice with a focus on racial equity and the notion of "otherness." The Social Justice Committee and I are excited about our plans for learning together and beginning to work for positive change. Having taken part as a

speaker at interfaith activism events in the Madison community, completed the Justified Anger course, and begun to develop relationships with local faith leaders, I have learned about where help is needed locally, and I hope to strengthen our *kahal's* presence as a Jewish community in those efforts, bringing the teachings of our Torah and tradition into the public sphere where we can make a difference.

The new year will also offer much needed opportunities for our teens in grades 8-12 to connect to Torah, their synagogue community, their Rabbi, and each other. We have mindfully designed an extension of our Talmud Torah, using feedback from our teens and families. The new element, "Netivon," will bring teens together to learn with me on select Shabbat afternoons. Netivon will also include a Shabbaton off campus for students in grades 8-10. I look forward to building relationships with our members in this age group and am thrilled to have found a way to do so that can fit into their busy schedules and give us a chance to enjoy Shabbat and study together. See page 6 for more details.

Among the important things I've learned over the past year are what a powerfully good, caring community we have, and the history that has brought us to this reality. Our new logo reflects the joy we experience when we come together for prayer and celebration as well as the sharing of thoughts and ideas that make us an inquiring community, both in and out of our newly arranged *beit midrash* (study hall). Our strategic planning process, now underway, will point us toward a shared vision of what we hope to be and a road map for the journey. I could not be more excited to build on the strength of our community while deepening our relationships with one another in the coming year. Together, I know that we will offer a robust and exuberant response to the sacred questions that our lives as individuals and as a *kahal* call us to answer.

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President's Column

Support our staff - an invaluable resource for our shul

It is not by accident that this column and the membership renewal form arrive in members' mailboxes almost simultaneously. I'll not beat around the bush. My purpose here is to urge every member to give your "fair share," and a bit more if you can. Let me tell you why this is so important.

This year, for the first time in several years, the board approved a deficit budget. The shortfall is about \$3,200. The process of how we got to this decision was deliberate and rigorous. Here are the highlights:

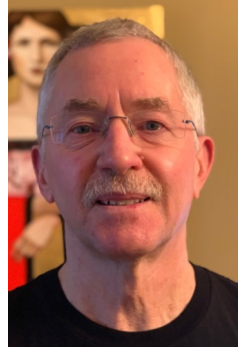
We start by asking each committee for funding requests and proposals. The budget committee loads these requests into a spreadsheet along with estimates of utilities, standard maintenance, salaries and other known costs. Inevitably the bottom line is in the red. The budget committee then begins the painful process of cutting, painful because all of the committees' requests merit serious consideration. Finally, the budget committee arrives at a proposed budget that is then presented to the Board at its June meeting. This meeting focuses on a detailed presentation of the proposed budget and answering trustees' questions. The Board is then given a month for further consideration and to ask additional questions. Finally, the budget is voted on in the July meeting. This year the process culminated in the unanimous approval of the budget by the Board.

None of the above, however, explains why we approved a deficit budget. Part of the answer lies in increased security costs. The events in Pittsburgh and San Diego have caused us to budget an additional \$5,400 for security, and that is a big number in the context of our budget. But that \$5,400 increase had another very real cost, namely an opportunity cost. We often talk about such costs without making clear to ourselves what they are. In this case, the opportunity costs were much deserved raises for our staff (exclusive of the Rabbi, whose salary is determined by contract).

For the first time in recent years, thanks to the collaboration of staff and the hard-working members of the Personnel Committee, we had well-

researched competitive salary information along with rigorous performance evaluations to use when weighing recommended salary increases.

All of the recommended increases had the modest goal of moving staff towards the median of the salary range for their positions. In last year's budget deliberations we made a good-faith pledge to address salaries, and we had to make good on that pledge this year in spite of the challenges.



Such is the genesis of the \$3,200 deficit budget unanimously approved by the Board. It is one I am personally proud of and proud of our leadership for approving. In short, it was the right thing to do.

So, how do we address this shortfall? We had a very successful fundraising campaign last year, and staff and volunteers will be working hard this year to raise significant funds. One can be pretty confident, however, that no matter how hard we work, we won't match last year's results. What then? When it comes time to pay your dues, pay a little more if you can. I plan to increase my payment beyond the expected 2 percent of my income. I tell you this not to boast but rather to let you know that I'm doing what I'm proposing. We have a beautiful building whose long-term maintenance we are taking great pains to ensure. Within this building we create holy spaces, shared experiences and sacred community, but we do that only through the hard work of our dedicated staff. I want to ramp up my support for that work, and I hope that you, too, will add a bit to your annual gift.

Sincerely,



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From the Executive Director's Desk

Introducing: our new Administrative Assistant...and our new logo

Strategic Planning Update

Over the summer, our new strategic planning committee began meeting to map out the course of writing a new strategic plan for Beth Israel Center.

We last engaged in a strategic planning effort in 2009-2010. Many of the goals in that plan have been achieved, so it is time to update our plan and set new goals so that we can make strategic, intentional decisions about which plans, ideas, programs and decisions best align with our mission.

The committee will be seeking congregational input as it does its fact finding and plan drafting over the coming months.

Watch for requests for information, and feel free to share your thoughts with the committee members:

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As I write this, I've had the pleasure of working with our new Administrative Assistant, Sarah Masa-Myers, for just a few weeks. Some of you know Sarah, as she



grew up in our congregation and has been an active volunteer in recent years -- although not for the past year, as she and her husband, Zach, spent 10 months teaching English in Israel as Masa Israel Teaching Fellows. They returned from their year in Jerusalem at the end of June, and Sarah's first day in the office was July 1.



Prior to her experience in Israel, Sarah worked for an agency where her responsibilities included managing the front desk and also running a department. Her educational background includes publicity and marketing, and she was a Development Intern at a non-profit. Her work for the past year in Israel turned her on to the idea of a career serving the Jewish community. We are lucky to have her! Please join me in welcoming Sarah the next time you call or stop by the office.

I also want to thank Ari Pollack for helping out in the office after Cheri Keen retired in January and before Sarah joined the staff in July. Having known him his entire life (he's my son), I was pretty sure Ari had the communication skills and demeanor to be the kind of supportive assistant we need. I was pleased to discover that I had underestimated his talent for a position like this, and I hope a regional theatre or casting office out there gives him a chance soon to shine in the kind of place he wants to be working in someday.

The reception area of our office is not the only place where you can

see a new look for Beth Israel Center this summer.

This edition of the Centerite is the official debut of Beth Israel Center's new logo and tagline, along with updated type treatments and colors. The colors aren't actually new, and they're not at all random. If you've been to the synagogue since our renovation five years ago, you may recognize that the logo's colors appear throughout the building. Purple defines our worship spaces, teal our classrooms, and the light green matches the walls in some of our gathering spaces. It's also similar to the color of the chairs in our sanctuaries.

More importantly, our logo, made as it is of people with open arms forming a Jewish star, expresses our identity as a congregation.

When we renovated our building several years ago, we told our architects who we are and how we aspire to use our space. They listened and reflected those aspirations in the design of the building. Similarly, we retained the services of Affirm, a marketing firm that came highly recommended. They interviewed professional and elected leadership, including a Board subcommittee made up of Mark Copelovitch, Jeff Mandell, Judy Pierotti, and Ziva Wear staffed by Rabbi Forester and me. They also reviewed the congregational identity-defining work we completed during our recent rabbi search, and they looked at our existing marketing materials. As good designers do, they took all of that information and reflected it in a fresh, contemporary logo and tagline that fits our community, both who we are and who we aspire to be.

Thanks to the branding subcommittee and all the other people who happened by the office during the review process and offered their constructive feedback on our new logo. I'd love to hear what you think of it.

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From the Education Director's Desk

My Summer Learning about Israel Education

Earlier this summer I joined nearly 70 educators from Jewish schools and other organizations in Atlanta when the Center for Israel Education and Emory's Institute for the Study of Modern Israel held the 18th annual CIE/ISMI Educator Enrichment Workshop on Modern Israel. Following this intensive week of studying how and what to teach about Israel, I immediately began collaborating with colleagues to absorb and synthesize as much of the content as possible.

CIE Vice President Rich Walter said, "Our goal is for attendees to sharpen their knowledge about a variety of aspects of Israel, experiment and create new ways to transmit Israel's story to their constituents, and serve as an ongoing resource for them in their work."

One highlight of the workshop was David Makovsky, a fellow with the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, reporting by video conference from Bahrain on what he had observed during the just-concluded, U.S.-sponsored Peace to Prosperity Workshop. Makovsky praised the presentation of specific projects to benefit the Palestinians but said that making their funding contingent on a peace agreement resulted in yet another doomed all-or-nothing approach to the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Other workshop presenters of note were Ashkelon Academic College's Yitzhak Reiter on the outsider status of Israel's Arab minority, Emory University's Michael Berger on the parallel and conflicting developments of religious Zionism and Israel's ultra-Orthodox community, and the Paul E. Singer Foundation's Rachel Fish on the prospects for Middle East peace.

We also learned with CIE's own experts about the history of Zionism, Israeli politics and government, the growth of Israeli culture, and the rise of Israel's wine industry.

CIE's founder and president, Ken Stein, had educators standing around and walking on a room-size floor map of Israel to demonstrate the intentional pattern of Jewish settlement in pre-state Palestine and the direct link between the area of

settlement and the eventual partition plans for Jewish and Arab states.

Like most of the workshop presentations, the map session wasn't just about teaching facts to the participants; it was also about showing us how to teach our own students. The practical classroom applications of workshop lessons came through on issues as varied as reading media reports on Israel, facing intersectional conflicts, using YouTube, finding the good and bad of social media, and learning the lessons of Israeli leadership. Educational approaches included studying and creating art and poetry, text studies ranging from Bible to Israeli pop songs, making and tasting food, simulating Knesset debates, and using history lessons for an escape room.

All the learning at the workshop is built on CIE's belief in teaching, not preaching, and in using documented sources, not competing narratives.

With guidance from CIE experts and with feedback from fellow educators, we developed frameworks for age-appropriate lesson plans to bring home. I reviewed and renewed our 6th grade curricular piece about Israel using backward planning and concluding with a meaningful, useful project, to be designed by the students themselves. I am lucky to continue to have the resources of CIE, including its website, and a network of some 1,000 workshop alumni to help hone my new approaches to Israel education and to share my successes.

As with many of my past professional development opportunities, The CIE's Educator Workshop left me feeling energized about our school, my job and the experiences and encounters that we create for our students.



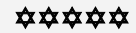
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Preschool Family Programs

Berries & Jammies

Join Rabbi Forester on these Friday mornings starting at 8:00 to get ready for Shabbat together. Make challah. Sing songs. Enjoy berries. Come in your PJs! Rabbi Forester will.

September 13
January 31
May 8



Yom Rishon

Enjoy interactive family learning with Beth Copelovitch.

Meet other families with preschool-age children.

At Yom Rishon, we play, move, eat, sing, and do projects that teach us about Sukkot, Chanukah, and other holidays and Jewish themes.

Here are the 5780 (2019-20) dates:

October 13
December 8
February 23
April 26

Please contact Beth with any questions about our family education programs.

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NEW for Teens in 5780: Netivon

The next step in our journey

Netivon 2019-20 dates by grade:

8th

November 23
February 22
April 24-25

9th

November 23
February 22
April 24-25

10th

December 7
March 7
March 19 (film)
April 24-25

11th

December 7
March 7
March 19 (film)
April 11

12th

December 7
March 7
March 19 (film)
April 11



The Netivon schedule is designed to be convenient for teens who also enroll in Midrasha.

The Netivon schedule is also independent of MOUSY and Kadima. We encourage our youth to join our youth groups and participate in Kadima MOUSY activities, in addition to enrolling in Netivon.

For more on MOUSY and Kadima, see page 10.

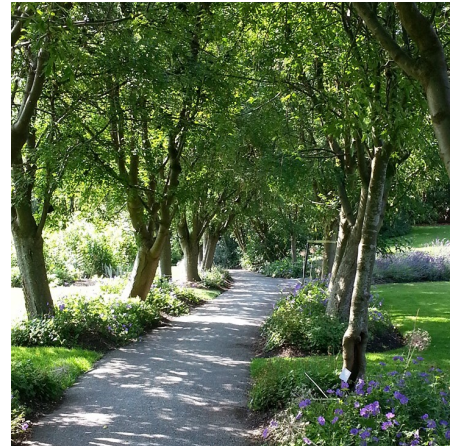
Starting this fall, our education program is expanding for students in grades 8 through 12.

Teens will gather on select Shabbat afternoons to....

- Build relationships with Rabbi Forester and their shul community
- Engage with significant content and Jewish learning

Netivon, Hebrew for successive pathways, is an apt image for this group of teens continuing on their Jewish journey. Pathways are both individual and shared. Each person takes their own steps on a supported, established trail.

The years after becoming a bar or bat mitzvah are the most crucial time in identity formation. Adolescents need their own opportunities and expectations for engaging in Jewish life. Immersive and experiential educational programming provides lasting effects, including connection to Jewish community in the present and increased Jewish engagement in the future.



To meet these needs, we are introducing a series of Shabbat experiences including a *Seudah Shlishit* (the third Shabbat meal) each time for different groups of 8th through 12th graders throughout the year. The Netivon program supports and exists alongside the content and timing of the community-wide Midrasha Hebrew High School that many of our students also attend.

If you or someone you know is in grades 8 through 12, please hold these dates and stay tuned for registration information:

Shabbat Afternoons with Rabbi Forester:

November 23	grades 8 & 9
December 7	grades 10-12
February 22	grades 8 & 9
March 7	grades 10-12
April 11	grades 11 & 12

Film Screening and Discussion (all-shul program)

March 19 discussion led by students in grades 10-12

Off-site Shabbaton (over Friday night)

April 24-25 grades 8-10

Thanks to an initial funding gift, we are able to offer the first year of Netivon for only \$36 for grades 11 and 12 and \$54 for grades 8-10. These fees will offset the costs of the Shabbat afternoon meals and the overnight Shabbaton.



Lifelong Learning Opportunities

An overview of the coming year...

Learn with Rabbi Betsy Forester and other scholars in our community. All classes are offered free of charge except where noted.

Living Torah: Sunday mornings, 9:00-10:30am

Make modern, meaningful sense out of the dynamic interplay between our lives and our tradition, exploring current topics through the lens of Halachah (Jewish laws). The theme for 2019-20 is Others, Otherness and Us. Learning will begin with issues of race, leading into focused work on racial equity and combating racism in Madison and Dane County. Later in the year, we will study Jewish perspectives on LGBTQ inclusion.

Living Torah will take place in various formats over the year.

- 1) Text study on race in three parts: November 17, 24, December 15
- 2) Community-based learning: January/February (dates TBD)
- 3) Thursday, March 19: film and discussion led by the older teens in our Netivon program
- 4) Text study on LGBTQ inclusion in three parts: May 3, 19*, 31 (*May 19 is a Tuesday evening.)

Kolot Kehilla: Sunday mornings, 9:30-11:00am

Our Sunday morning speaker series, Kolot Kehilla (voices of our community), continues as experts on various topics share their experiences as we enjoy a lovely brunch together. Here are the dates and topics for the coming year:

- September 15 - TBA
- December 8 - Jordy Loeb and Juscha Robinson / estate planning
- February 2 - Steve Nadler / Menasseh ben Israel: The Most Famous Jew in the World
- May 17 - Michael and Kathi Johnson Rock / hummingbirds

Studio Sinai: Sunday mornings, 9:00-noon

A midrash class in which we unpack tensions and emotions beneath the surface of biblical texts. Each session stands alone:

- November 10
- February 16
- April 19

Yiddish: Monday evenings, 7:00pm

Join Yiddish enthusiast and talented teacher Sylvia Grunes. Sylvia builds a love for the Yiddish language and culture through her long-running classes. All levels welcome and encouraged to attend.

Rabbi's Talmud Class: January-March 2020

Learn how to study Talmud and delve into meanings and interpretations of the text. Hebrew decoding skills are required. Talmud beginners, advanced learners, and everyone in between is welcome!

A series of six classes will begin the last week of January 2020 and run through early March. The same content will be offered on six Wednesday mornings (9:15-11:00) and six Thursday evenings (7:30-9:15) beginning January 29 / 30.

Merchav Ha'Lev Meditation

In the fall, winter, and spring, spend a Shabbat afternoon meditating, chanting, and engaging with Jewish texts. All are welcome, from folks new to meditation to experienced practitioners. The Fall retreat is September 14. Email merchavlev@gmail.com for more information.

More Learning Opportunities

NEW: Project Zug

Looking for a chevruta (study partner)? Contact Beth for information about being part of our Project Zug online learning cohort. Project Zug comes from The Hadar Institute, a yeshiva where Rabbi Forester has studied.

Parasha Study: Shabbat afternoons

About once a month after Kiddush, stick around (or come) for a focused study and discussion of the week's Torah portion with Rabbi Forester. The first session after the fall holidays will be November 9. Check the calendar for more dates. All ages welcome!

Daveners' Studio

Want to learn or sharpen your service leading skills? Our Ritual Committee will be holding group learning sessions, starting after the High Holidays, and they want to know what you want to learn. Please email Ritual Committee Chair Mark Copelovitch, mcopelov@gmail.com or speak with him in shul.

Study Buddies

In addition to the classes described on this page, we love to help connect members who wish to learn and hone ritual skills, such as leading services and chanting Torah, with congregants who enjoy teaching these skills.

Please contact Education Director Beth Copelovitch, Rabbi Forester, or Ritual Committee Chair Mark Copelovitch to start a conversation about what you'd like to learn.

High Holy Day Youth Program

High Holy Day youth programming 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 in the lower level classrooms and Small Sanctuary.

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 to provide food to hungry students and their families. F4TI food pantries 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 (except on Shabbat), bring to Beth Israel Center cash or checks payable to the Goodman Center, with F4TI noted on the memo line.

After Yom Kippur, we will deliver the collected donations to the Goodman Center.



Fall Holiday Observances & Celebrations

Tisha B'Av

Saturday, August 10, 9:00pm; Sunday, August 11, 8:15am and 8:00pm.
Observe Tisha B'Av with the traditional reading of Eicha (Lamentations) and Kinnot, beginning the spiritual and emotional journey toward the Days of Awe.

Gefilte Fish Cooking Workshop

Sunday, September 8, 9:30am-12:30pm
Learn a shortcut for making gefilte fish for Rosh Hashanah from Aaron Friedman. \$18/person. Space is limited. RSVP to hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org by Sept. 3.

Knock, Knock, Who's There? S'lichot Program

Saturday, September 21, 8:30pm Havdallah and program, 11:30pm S'lichot service
With Rabbi Forester, begin turning toward your deepest truths, using a variety of expressive modalities to crack open the texts of our lives and tradition.

Tashlich

Monday, September 30, 4:00pm at Vilas Beach

Erev Yom Kippur Meditation

Tuesday, October 8, 9:00pm-ish (after Kol Nidre)

Yom Kippur afternoon - between services

Wednesday, October 9, mid-afternoon
Study the Book of Jonah with Rabbi Forester after Musaf
Guided Meditation with Matt Banks, after Jonah Study and before Mincha

Yom Kippur Break Fast

Wednesday, October 9, 7:30pm
Sponsored by the BIC Board of Directors. All are welcome!

We Got Wise

Wednesday, October 9, 8:00pm
Calling all young adults! We prayed hard, now let's play. Meet up at The Wise, inside HotelRed. The first round of drinks is on Rabbi Forester.

Share the Spirit of Sukkot

October 13 - 20
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? Meet up in the Beth Israel sukkah!

Pizza in the Hut

Monday, October 14
Lunch after Yom Tov services will be house-made pizza!

Shul Neighborhood Sukkah Hop

Tuesday, October 15, 4:00pm
Enjoy appetizers, entrees, desserts and more in various sukkot in a neighborhood near BIC.

Wine & Cheese in a Sukkah

Thursday, October 17, 7:00pm
Nosh and schmooze in the sukkah of Judith Burstyn and Steve Deutsch, 830 Ottawa Trail, in the Nakoma neighborhood

East Side Sukkah Hop

Sunday, October 20
Hosted by members of BIC and Congregation Shaarei Shamayim.

Erev Simchat Torah Celebration

Monday, October 21
Come for dinner at 6:00 (RSVP by October 10), then see a Torah scroll fully unrolled starting at 6:45. Later, dance with the Torah!



Social Action Opportunities

Men's Shelter

Beth Israel Center members have been serving meals at Porchlight's Emergency Shelter for Men in downtown Madison for decades. Beth Israel Center is responsible for serving dinner on the second Sunday each month and breakfast the next morning. The shelter is at Grace Episcopal Church, at 116 West Washington Ave. At press time, there were many open slots!

Meals on Wheels

BIC volunteers deliver lunchtime meals to elderly and disabled Dane County residents as part of the Meals on Wheels program of Home Health United (now SSM Health at Home) and have for many years. Our schedule recently changed, so new volunteers are needed. **If you can commit to one weekday lunchtime per month you could be the perfect new Meals on Wheels volunteer!** Each shift takes about 1.5 hours. Meals on Wheels volunteers see first-hand the benefits they provide, such as helping people maintain independence and the ability to remain in their own homes, as well as providing nutritious meals. Call Larry Bensky (238-2569) to schedule a ride-a-long or for more information.

Refugee Resettlement

Jewish Social Services is resettling more refugee families this summer and fall. Contact BIC or JSS or watch your email for opportunities to provide support.



Shabbat Kiddush

A Time for Togetherness

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).

If you would like to join the kiddush crew and be part of this vital – and fun! – Beth Israel Center tradition, email hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org or call (608) 256-7763 for information. We are also happy to discuss sponsorship opportunities.

Appreciation for recent and upcoming Kiddush sponsorships:

- June 1 – Marsha Cohen & Mike Pressman on Marsha's 65th birthday and retirement
- June 8 – Steve Kessler on Donna Anderson's retirement
- June 15 – Gila Shoshany & Stuart Glosser on the Aufruf of Lisa Shoshany Anderson and Evan Flietner and his first Aliyah
- July 6- Cher and Ron Diamond on the baby-naming of their granddaughter, as well as Billie and Si Hellerstein on their 60th wedding anniversary and the 75th anniversary of Si's Bar Mitzvah
- July 13 – Friends of Francesca Rodriguez on her first Aliyah
- August 10 – Stephanie Stone and Daniel Pekarsky in appreciation of the Beth Israel community as they set forth on a two year adventure in New York, as well as Francie and David Dundore on the naming of their daughter
- August 31 – Naomi Chesler & Dan Sidney on the occasion of their daughter Amelia becoming a Bat Mitzvah
- September 14 – Family of Judy Pierotti to celebrate her milestone birthday
- September 28 – Judith Blank on her birthday

Chesed Team

Members of the BIC Chesed Team visit individuals who find it difficult or impossible to attend services or other synagogue programs. Visits by members of the Chesed Team are intended to be social in nature, to extend the warmth of our community beyond the walls of Beth Israel Center.

If you or someone you know would like a friendly visit from a member of the Chesed Team, please contact Rabbi Betsy Forester at (608) 256-7763 or via email, rabbi@bethisraelcenter.org.



Kindness Group

In times of simcha and in times of sorrow, a meal from a friend can be a great help. The loving kindness group of Beth Israel Center is made up of people who volunteer to make meals for congregants in times of need.

Email kindness@bethisraelcenter.org to be put on the list of volunteers or contact the office to find out more about the group.

If you or someone you know could benefit from some home-delivered meals, please do not hesitate to ask. Many people want to help, and needs are typically filled with surprising speed.



By Word of Mouse

Deborah Hoffman, Program & Youth Director, hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org

Our fun-loving MOUSY high school youth group enjoys exciting social get-togethers, community service projects, recreational activities, and religious and educational programs throughout the school year. Our first event of the 2019-20 school year will be assembling and delivering Rosh Hashanah Gift Bags, a fun annual service project in which we partner up with other Jewish youth groups and Jewish Social Services to bring holiday ruach to seniors in assisted living facilities. Watch for more info about the wonderful world of MOUSY!

Here's a look back at one of our spring activities:

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2019-20 Regional and International Conventions

CHUSYfest
Fall Convention
Friday-Sunday
November 8-10
Lake Delton, Wisconsin

Regional Kadima
Konvention
Friday-Sunday
December 6-8

International USY
Convention (IC)
Sunday-Thursday
December 22-26
Ontario, California

CHUSY Spring Kinnus
Convention
Friday-Sunday
April 3-5

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In the name of Tikun Olam, a minyan of mice made more than 80 bagged lunches for Grace Episcopal Church men's shelter at the annual **MOUSY Makes a Meal** on Sunday afternoon, April 14. Above, L to R: Leila, Micah, Max, Talia, Isaac, and Lily on sandwich duty. Kol HaKavod to program chairs Rhiannon Wilson and Isaac Kianovsky for managing everything from start to finish. Below, L to R: Keeping an eye on the chocolate chip cookies, Isaac, Rhiannon, and Mirra resist temptation.





Leila Loeb, Yael Rosenblatt (via FaceTime on iPhone), Maya Becker, and Elora Becker taking care of installations MOUSY-style at our annual elections event.

2019-20 MOUSY Executive Board

President
Maya Becker

Executive VP
Mia Kurzer

Administrative VP
Mirra Bleher

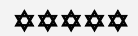
Religious Education VP
Debbie Rudin

*Social Action
Tikun Olam VPs*
Leila Loeb
Yael Rosenblatt

Netivon

New this fall, Beth Israel Center's youth education program extends beyond 7th grade to include special Shabbat-centered learning opportunities with Rabbi Forester.

See page 6 for details.



Observe Shabbat! Take Standardized Tests on Sunday

Study hard and feel great because, by taking the test on a Sunday, you increase your Shabbat observance and help to guarantee that this option is available for Jewish students in the future!

2019-20 Sunday SAT Dates:

November 3
December 8
June 7

SAT registration info:
866-756-7346.

2019-20 Sunday ACT Dates: TBD

ACT Registration info:
319-337-1270.



KADIMAKADIMA***KADIMA***

Kadima is our youth group for middle school-age students. Kadimaniks had a blast this past year at many outdoor and indoor venues, from *Mini-golf* to *Geeks Mania Arcade* to *Sky Zone* trampoline park to *Arts and Crafts* to *Ice-skating* to the *Escape Room*.



An enthusiastic group of middle-schoolers work together to get out of a scary but fun **Escape Room**, then enjoy sweet nosh and sweet company at Michael's Frozen Custard, on Sunday, May 19. L to R: Ezra, Caleb, Ari, Jane, Amelia, Aharon, Isaiah, and Simon anticipate their mission.

Yahrzeits

29 Tammuz / August 1

Sidney Bernstein
Celia Labow Holman
Sophie Levine

1 Av / August 2

Norman Dachman

2 Av / August 3

Tomi Deutsch

4 Av / August 5

Myer Nathenson
Harry Rosen

5 Av / August 6

Anna Blumenfeld
Ed Dubrow
Rose Greenfield
Naomi Rich
Norman Zaichick

6 Av / August 7

Ethel Goldstein
Fanny Nosofsky
Helen Ryan
Benjamin Weinstein

7 Av / August 8

Rachel Hayman Cohen
Ethel Lipstein
Harry Usdansky

8 Av / August 9

Anna Weiss Bentley
Rashe Nathenson

9 Av / August 10

Anna Altman
Samuel Kessel
Susan Knapp Lundquist
Emanuel Rosenberg
Ethel Rosenberg

10 Av / August 11

Phyllis Greenberg
Gerald Schlossberg
Sam Schwartz
Dora Sweet
Louie Wein

11 Av / August 12

Ben Berman
Maurice Parisek
Pearl Shaffer

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Volunteer Appreciation

Torah and Haftarah Readers, Shabbat and Yom Tov Service Leaders: Matt Banks, Harvey Barash, Erin Beser, Marsha Cohen, Mark Copelovitch, Micah Copelovitch, Esther Criscuola de Laix, Cher Diamond, Yonah Drazen, Rick Ezell, Bob Factor, Rabbi Betsy Forester, Aaron Friedman, Joshua Gabai, Joshua Garoon, Albert Glosser, Daniel Goldman, Rabbi Judy Greenberg, Leslie Greenspan, Anna Heifetz, Si Hellerstein, Deborah Hoffman, Bill Karasov, Steve Kessler, Miron Levy, Ruth Litovsky, Lily Matthews-Needelman, Don Miner, Jon Pollack, David Resnick, Burke Richmond, Erica Kesin Richmond, Cantor Ken Richmond, Nathaniel Richmond, Talia Richmond, Michael Rosenblatt, Bill Schwab, Sion Shabtaie, Karen Shevet Dinah, Ellie Shoshany Anderson, Lisa Shoshany Anderson, Sarah Silverman, Bob Skloot, Daniel Stolz, Gabriel Swagel, Jeanne Swack, Rayla Temin, Jim Wear, Rabbi Ethan Witkovsky

Shabbat Kiddush Krew: Donna Anderson & Steve Kessler, Livia Asher, David Balkansky, David Baum, Daniel Belin, Hannah Bernard-Donals, Judith Burstyn, Marsha Cohen, Andrea Dearlove, Cher Diamond, Beth Fisher, Aaron Frank, Aaron Friedman & Sally Jones, Joshua Gabai, Jessica Goerling, Jaime Goldberg, Ashley Gordon, Patricia Green-Sotos, Roz Gusinow, Billie Hellerstein, Judy Hellerstein, Lisa Hellerstein, Raimund Huber, Bobbie Jellinek, Bill & Corliss Karasov, Sasha Kerlow, Kazu Kitano, Harris Krause, Elana Matthews, Laurel Mark, Adam & Aphra Mednick, Katie Moorman, Laurie Nagus, Janis Noonan, Michael & Patrice Onheiber, Juliet Page, Tziporah Quick, Michael Rock, Ornit Rosenblatt, Miriam Shelef, Gila Shoshany, Lisa Shoshany Anderson, Regina Vidaver, Paula Volpiansky, Phyllis Wainger, Ziva Wear

Shabbat Greeters and Door Watchers: Livia Asher, David Balkansky, Howard Bregman, Marsha Cohen & Mike Pressman, Mark Copelovitch, Andrew de Laix, Emily Desai, Yonah Drazen, Doris Dubielzig, Jennie Edes-Pierotti, Rick Ezell, Bob Factor, Jaime Goldberg, Anna Heifetz, Cynthia Hirsch, Steve Jellinek, Marci Katz, Herb Lewis, Nancy Resnick, Barry Rich, Francie Saposnik, Fran & Sally Schrag, Bill Schwab, Karen Shevet Dinah, Merle & Jerry Sternberg, Jim Wear

Lag B'Omer Cookout Crew: David Balkansky, Hanna Bettner and Mideast Salsa, David Blehert, Aaron & Dawn Frank, Jane & Michael Fox, Michael & Lilah Heifetz, Bobbie Jellinek, Sally Jones, Ariel Kaufman, Kazu Kitano, Janis Noonan, Marti Tenzer

Tikkun Leil Shavuot and Shavuot Kiddush Crew: David Baum, Rabbi Renee Bauer, Judith Burstyn, Cher Diamond, Jordan Ellenberg, Shlomit Ezer & Tal Sheffer, Josh Gabai, Rabbi Judy Greenberg, Roz Gusinow, Judith Heilizer, Raimund Huber, Marci & Neal Katz, Lorrie Klemons, Adam Mednick, Jon Pollack, Rabbi Andrea Steinberger, Phyllis Wainger, Luke Whitmore, Rabbi Laurie Zimmerman

Kolot Kehilla: Adrienne Borisy-Gross, Roz Gusinow, Lorna Kniaz, Barry Rich, Tanya Schlam

Laundry Angels: Donna Anderson, Livia Asher, Hannah Bernard-Donals, Leslie Fields, Patricia Green-Sotos, Kazu Kitano, Laurel Mark, Kathy Miner, Karen Shevet Dinah, Anna Syvertsen, Marti Tenzer

Kabbalat Shabbat Potluck: Josh Gabai, Lorna Kniaz, Elana Matthews & William Needelman, Regina Vidaver, Jim & Ziva Wear

Porchlight Men's Shelter: Simone Schweber, Jerry & Merle Sternberg

Spring Yard Work Crews: Hannah Bernard-Donals, Howard Bregman, Judith Burstyn, Aaron Friedman & Sally Jones, Steve Goldstein, the Heller family, Cynthia Hirsch, Jeff Lindholm & Leslie Fields, Karen Shevet Dinah, Jim Wear



Mazal Tov to...

- The family of Elana Bess Mandel, who was born in April
- Rita Hindin on the birth of her grandson, Ethan, in April
- Yonah Drazen and Megan Sanders-Drazen on Avi's adoption, in May
- Francie and David Dundore on the birth of their daughter, Lila, in June
- Amelia Sidney on becoming a Bat Mitzvah in August



Condolences to the families of

- Mary Cohen, mother of Marsha Cohen (Mike Pressman), grandmother of Nina and Sammy
- Arthur "Art" Dodd, brother of Kathy (Don) Miner, uncle of Jon (Maureen) Miner and Robin (Erica) Miner, great-uncle of Elijah Miner
- Ruth Spar, mother of Barbara Spar Malamud (Sherwood Malamud), grandmother of Louise Malamud Schoenberger (Steven Schoenberger) and Miriam Malamud, great-grandmother of Micah, Laila, Rina, and Shira Schoenberger and Elan Malamud
- Ida Wyman, mother of Nancy Nathan and David (Pat) Nathan, grandmother of Heather (Potter) Garrison, great-grandmother of Noah and Caleb



Memorial & Tribute Gifts

Memorial and tribute gifts may be made at any time to Beth Israel Center's general fund or any of the funds listed on the following pages. To donate, send us a check, call the office (608-256-7763) with a credit card number, or go to www.bethisraelcenter.org and click on the "Donate" icon.

Below and on the following pages is a record of the memorial and tribute gifts made to these funds between mid-April and mid-July.



Art Fund

in memory of

Leonard Bessman from Ghita Bessman

Abe Barash Fund

in memory of

Arlyne Eisenberg from Leslie Eisenberg
Uncle Lawrence Borenstein from Phyllis Eisenberg
Rose Druch from Shelley Davey

Building Capital Fund (formerly L'Dvor VaDor)

in honor of

Elissa Pollack, Deborah Hoffman and Beth Copelovitch for their good work and many hours spent for our synagogue from David Balkansky

in memory of

Judy Balkansky from David Balkansky
Herb Kleibard from Diane Silverberg
Daniel Hill from Ghita Bessman
Art Dodd from Harvey Temkin & Barbara Myers Temkin
Paul Rock from Michael Rock & Kathi Johnson Rock
Benny Hirschfeld from Phyllis Eisenberg
Frances Rossman from Sherry Hirschfeld
Mary Cohen from Sherry Hirschfeld
Mary Cohen from Si & Billie Hellerstein
Benny Hirschfeld from Yael Lund

Yahrzeits

12 Av / August 13

Reva Diamond
 Celia Mullin
 Mary Victor

14 Av / August 15

Blumeh Dubrov
 Morris Heifetz
 Frederic Lewis
 Matthias Neuman Smith
 Isadore Rubin
 Lydia Sananes Lohr

15 Av / August 16

Gregory Boissonnault
 Julius Cohen
 Solomon Epstein
 Harry Charles Hirschfeld
 Ovsey Machlis
 Morris Winer

16 Av / August 17

Irving Feit
 Isidore Russ

17 Av / August 18

Nathan Borenstein
 Ann Gusinow

18 Av / August 19

Shirley Epstein
 Macky Gaberman

19 Av / August 20

Ralph Musin Benjamin
 Elihu Rothblatt
 Dorothy Zukerman

20 Av / August 21

Felix Belin
 Jane Grady
 Bernard Joseph
 Mary Wigonitz

21 Av / August 22

Herman Lazarov
 Archie Loeb
 Beatrice Sinaiko Marlowe

22 Av / August 23

Paul Bloom
 Bessie Onheiber
 Maurice Benjamin Smith

23 Av / August 24

Evelyn Dworetzky Lipp
 Hyman Kulakowsky

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Yahrzeits

24 Av / August 25

Judith Sternberg
Tobias Temkin

25 Av / August 26

Rose Nathenson

27 Av / August 27

Harry Shaffer

29 Av / August 30

Annabelle Argand
Louis Perlman

30 Av / August 31

Joshua Lerner
Anna Marie Popkewitz
Annie Wander

1 Elul / September 1

Adel Haus
Herman Karan
Hyman D. Navin
A. Rozansky
Anna Stein

2 Elul / September 2

Ray Cohen

3 Elul / September 3

Patricia Cohler
Lillian Harris
Nathan Paley
Aaron Richman
Chaya Setlick
Rose Rachel Weinstein

4 Elul / September 4

Carl Friedman
Charlotte Musin
Louis Terry

5 Elul / September 5

William Frank

6 Elul / September 6

Sara Rosenzweig
Harry Zimmerman

7 Elul / September 7

Leo Argand
Serene Mazor

8 Elul / September 8

Fanny Friedman
Harry L Mullin

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Memorial & Tribute Gifts (Con't.)

Shirley Epstein Fund

in memory of

Claire Swartz from Joel Marcus & Judith Swartz Marcus
Belle Novick from Ruth Ann Schumeister

Fund for the Future

in memory of

Ben Hirschfeld from Steven & Sandra Borenstein

General Fund

in honor of

Matt Banks from Simone Schweber
Rabbi Judy Greenberg from Adam Mendel & Kaley Stroup
Marsha Cohen's retirement, and Yonah Drazen & Megan Sanders-Drazen on their adoption of Avi Drazen from Allan Levin
Mike Pressman, Hakarat HaTov from Karen Shevet Dinah
Talia Richmond becoming a bat mitzvah from Jim & Ziva Wear
Harvey and Barbara Myers Temkin from Scott & Rabbi Betsy Forester
Matt Banks' promotion to Full Professor from Steve & Bobbie Jellinek
the naming of Cher and Ron Diamond's granddaughter from Steve & Bobbie Jellinek

Avi Drazen's adoption from Steve & Bobbie Jellinek

in memory of

Ben Hirschfeld from Al & Mary Randall
Mary Cohen from Allan Levin
Benny Hirschfeld from Barbara Stein
Ben Hirschfeld from Barbara Sydel
Ron Rosen from Bruce Rosen & Diane Seder
Claire Swartz from David & Susan Fish
Dave Ottenstein from Debbie Alden
Mae Azen and Harry Gevirman from Edwin Azen
Ben Hirschfeld from Eileen Rabson
Ben Hirschfeld from Ellyn Paul
Yetta Sinagub and Abraham Sinagub from Jonathan Sinagub
Ben Hirschfeld from Karen Jacobs
Anne Sweet from Lawrence & Jessica Sweet
Benny Hirschfeld and Mary Cohen from Lois Frank
Ben Jacobs from Mark Jacobs
Beatrice Kosowsky from Mark Kosowsky
Mary Cohen from Marilyn Kupferberg
Sedeel Diamond & Harry Figler from Michael Figler
Ida Figler from Michael Figler
Helen Richey from Michael Kaplan & Beverly Richey
Shirley Volpiansky, Benny Hirschfeld, and Mary Cohen from Jim & Ziva Wear
Harry & Esther Sweet from Howard Sweet & James Warren
Gary Sweet from Howard Sweet & James Warren
Ben Hirschfeld from Peter Sauls
Mary Cohen from Philip Hollander & Juliet Page
beloved husband Howard Eisenberg from Phyllis Eisenberg
Mary Cohen from Randy Pressman & George Pressman
Alice & Leo Barth from Rosalie Schindel
Mary Cohen from Roseanne Klein
Harry Sweet and Esther Sweet from Stephen Sweet
Evelyn Jellinek from Steve & Bobbie Jellinek
Mary Cohen from Theodore & Irene Knupp
Ben Hirschfeld from Tom Bertzyk



Memorial & Tribute Gifts (Con't.)

Jake Heifetz Fund

in memory of

- Benny Hirschfeld** from Michael Rock & Kathi Johnson Rock
- Bill Karpe** from David Karpe & Julita Jankowska
- Samuel Moskowsky, Julius Ruskin, and Norton Gahr** from Samuel Moss
- Ida Moskowsky** from Samuel Moss
- Harry Moss** from Samuel Moss

Morris Heifetz Welfare Fund

in memory of

- Bob Schwartz** from Michael Heifetz & Michelle Minkus
- Julius Ruskin** from David, Dennis and Kristie Ruskin

Holman/Weisbard Fund for Adult Jewish Learning

in memory of

- Allen Zemmol** from Joel & Debbie Minkoff

Matzoh Fund

in memory of

- Morris and Rose Heifetz** from Harvey Temkin & Barbara Myers Temkin

Martin & Serene Mazor Kiddush Fund

in honor of

- Marsha Cohen's Retirement and 65th Birthday** from Barry & Irene Mirkin
- the retirement of Raphael Lazimy, and Si & Billie Hellerstein's 60th anniversary** from Bruce Thomadsen & Louise Goldstein
- Nina Pressman's engagement, Marsha Cohen's birthday and retirement, and Mike Pressman's Hakarat HaTov** from Herbert Lewis & Francie Saposnik
- Jonathan Pollack's new book** from Kazu Kitano
- Steve Goldstein on his special birthday; Rita Hindin on the birth of her grandson; Caleb Ellenberg in honor of his bar mitzvah; Cher Mandel and Ron Diamond on the birth of their granddaughter; and Matt Banks on his promotion to Professor** from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen
- Evan Flietner and Lisa Shoshany Anderson's Wedding** from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen
- Talia Richmond's bat mitzvah** from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen
- Evan Flietner's first aliyah** from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen
- Billie & Si Hellerstein's 60th Wedding Anniversary** from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen
- Nina Pressman & Ben Siebert's engagement** from Michael Rock & Kathi Johnson Rock
- the birth of Elana Bess Mandel** from Daniel & Leslie Greenspan
- Marsha Cohen's birthday and retirement** from Paul Wilson & Laurie Nagus
- Marsha Cohen on her retirement and 65th birthday** from Rayla Temin
- Deb Hoffman and her Great Volunteers** from Si & Billie Hellerstein

in memory of

- Mary Cohen** from Daniel & Leslie Greenspan
- Mary Cohen** from Donald & Kathy Miner
- Mary Cohen** from Robert Factor & Kris Rasmussen
- Mary Cohen** from Michael Rock & Kathi Johnson Rock
- Mary Cohen** from Hilda Fine
- Mary Cohen** from Rayla Temin
- Benny Hirschfeld** from Kazu Kitano
- Sonia Rita Post Rosenthal** from Len & Martha Tenzer

Yahrzeits

9 Elul / September 9

Harry Kopelberg
David Isaac Grant Schwab

10 Elul / September 10

Hadasah Bloom
Cantor Victor Jacoby
Harry Kniaz

11 Elul / September 11

Ethel Fine Plen
Irwin A. Goodman
Rose Wiseberg Luterman

12 Elul / September 12

Jennie Becker
Arthur Grant
Rose Turinsky

13 Elul / September 13

Sally Hammer
Ida Kaplan
Mollie Sweet

14 Elul / September 14

Solomon Glass
Revetta Katsnelson

16 Elul / September 16

Oscar Ganetzky
Leah Heifetz

18 Elul / September 18

Hilda Barash
Goldie Kniaz Kruglak
Yetta Schwartz
Chaim Zukerman

19 Elul / September 19

Peter Andrew Benschel
Bertha Kniaz
Sarah Mintz
Harold Rutchick

20 Elul / September 20

Charles Adler
David Edward Jacobs
Joseph Karch
Evelyn Wasserstrom

21 Elul / September 21

Edward Bregman
Leah Cherbachowsky
Family Heifetz
Dinah Melman
Eugenia Rozmalty
Alex Sinaiko
Allen Sweet
Dora Baum Wolman

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Yahrzeits

22 Elul / September 22

Sophie Sagbir Goldstein
Anna F Krashen
Meyer Levin
Helen H. Marcus

23 Elul / September 23

Mary Cohen
Tillie Cohen Lem
Hadassah Paley
Leo Schwartz

24 Elul / September 24

Jake Isaac
Henriette Miller

25 Elul / September 25

Leah Blachman
Alexander Katsnelson
Raphael Bernard
Kianovsky
Hyman Landweber

26 Elul / September 26

Meir Hayman
Stephen R Mandell
Bessie Rosen
Israel Rozmaity
Arthur Abraham
Scholick
Miriam Siroky

27 Elul / September 27

Ezra Heymann
Rose Ann Karan
Phillip Kivolowitz

28 Elul / September 28

Abraham Chechik
Anna Grossman Hill
Anita Parks
George Silver

29 Elul / September 29

Faye Amdur
David Rothblatt
Sarah Stein
Max Sweet

1 Tishrei / September 30

Patrick Hawkins
Dorothy Levy
Marshall Mintz
Yecheil Rosenzweig
Leo S Shapiro
Harold Switzky

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Memorial & Tribute Gifts (Con't.)

Martin & Serene Mazor Kiddush Fund

in memory of

Quinta Burattini, Alberto Litovsky, and Miriam "Mickey" Pressman from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen

Kathy Miner's brother Art Dodd from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen
Lloyd Frank from Russ & Ruth Frank

Mikvah Fund

get well

Sylvia Grunes from Moshe & Haya Yuchtman

in memory of

Mary Cohen from Bill & Jill Boissonnault

Mintz Fund

in honor of

Rosalie Hyman: in memory of her husband from Phyllis Mintz Eisenberg

Benny Hirschfield Family from Phyllis Mintz Eisenberg

Sharon Finn: in memory of her brother from Phyllis Mintz Eisenberg

Jonathan Wolman Family from Phyllis Mintz Eisenberg

in memory of

Dave Weinstein from Barbara Beyer

Bernie Mazursky from Howard & Sally Mazur

Ben Paley, Moshe Paley, Asne Zaichik, Hyman Paley, Sam Paley, Fruma Mintz, Lubey Mintz, Marshall Mintz, Julius Mintz, Charles Layton, Ida Paley, Sarah Mintz, Sheldon liebovich, Joe & Belle Liebovich, Milton & Mollie Finn and Ted & Anne Matsoff from Phyllis Mintz Eisenberg

Rose Schwartz from Steven Schwartz

Prayerbook Fund

in honor of

Steve Jellinek's birthday from Andrea Dearlove

Marsha Cohen's 65th birthday from Karen Shevet Dinah

in memory of

Meyer Sweet from Merle & Patricia Sweet

Frieda Melnik from Sol & Corlie Blumenfeld

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

in honor of

Talia Richmond on her bat mitzvah, and Shira Forester and Eliav

Goldman on their graduations from Herbert Lewis & Francie Saposnik

Welcoming and naming of Elana, the new grandchild of Cherie Mandel

Diamond & Ron Diamond from Herbert Lewis & Francie Saposnik

Si & Billie Hellerstein's 60th Wedding Anniversary and the celebration of Si Hellerstein's bar mitzvah anniversary from Herbert Lewis & Francie Saposnik

Talia Richmond's bat mitzvah from Herman Goldstein

Si & Billie Hellerstein's wedding anniversary, and the naming of Cher and Ron Diamond's granddaughter from Leonard & Martha Kaplan

Commander Mark Vandroff's retirement from US Navy from Scott & Rabbi Betsy Forester

Rabbi Forester's compassion and warmth from Thomas Popkewitz & Lea Aschkenase

in memory of

Rose Druch from Allan Druch

Sheldon Bernstein from Bradley Bernstein

Dorothy Saposnik Smith from Francie Saposnik

Robert Smith from Francie Saposnik

Henry Yaskal, Julius Miller and Arthur Yaskal from Maureen Yaskal

Al Mocny from Michael & Patrice Onheiber



Memorial & Tribute Gifts (Con't.)

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In memory of

Mary Cohen from Michael & Patrice Onheiber

Hyman Lerner from Mitch & Sharon Rapkin

Oscar Rapkin and Hyman Lerner from Mitch & Sharon Rapkin

Robert Schwartz from Steven Schwartz

Rosenberg Education Fund

in memory of

Leo Barth from Susan Minkoff

Rosenberg Library Fund

in memory of

Ellen Weiss Zitkin from Alan Weinberg & Claire Weiss

Diane Schwam from Emanuel Schwam

Social Action Fund

in memory of

Niles & Linda Berman from Yair Mazor & Bilha Mirkin

in honor of

Sharon Kessel on her big birthday, and Ari Pollack for all his work on behalf of the congregation from Herbert Lewis & Francie Saposnik

Si & Billie Hellerstein's Wedding Anniversary from Judy Pierotti

Marsha Cohen's retirement and birthday from Livia Asher

in memory of

Arthur Dodd from Bruce Thomadsen & Louise Goldstein

Ruth Weiner from Judy Pierotti

Gertrude Melrood and Hannah Ticktin from Laurie Melrood

Arthur Dodd from Si & Billie Hellerstein

Social Action - Refugee Support

get well

Judith Kornblatt from Bruce Thomadsen & Louise Goldstein

in honor of

the births of Rita Hindin's grandson and Elana Bess Mandel from Bruce Thomadsen & Louise Goldstein

the 50th wedding anniversary of Nancy & David Resnick from Bruce Thomadsen & Louise Goldstein

in memory of

Mary Cohen from Bruce Thomadsen & Louise Goldstein

Talmud Torah Fund

in honor of

Yonah Drazen & Megan Sanders-Drazen on the adoption of their son, Avi from Bruce Thomadsen & Louise Goldstein

Talia Richmond's Bat Mitzvah from Michael Rock & Kathi Johnson Rock

David Temkin Camp Ramah Fund

in honor of

Si & Billie Hellerstein from Alan & Jean Lettofsky

the celebration of the 60th wedding anniversary of Billie and Si

Hellerstein and the anniversary of Si Hellerstein's bar mitzvah from Eli & Emma Temkin

the wedding anniversary of Nancy and David Resnick and the Hellerstein family's many simchas, with much love from Harvey Temkin & Barbara Myers Temkin

David & Nancy Resnick's 50th anniversary from Marcus & Sheila Cohen

in memory of

Ben Hirschfeld from Elissa Johnson

Yahrzeits

2 Tishrei / October 1

Norman A. Frank
Coleman Slavney
Henry Temkin
Lillian Zakhem

3 Tishrei / October 2

Franklin Mann
Bayla Rachel Mazursky

4 Tishrei / October 3

Fay Forester
Sam Katz
Sarah Knupp

6 Tishrei / October 5

Judy Balkansky
Max Weigler
Dorothy Whitcomb

7 Tishrei / October 6

Rudolph Dolezal
Samuel Kneller
Martin Mazor
Elva Simon

8 Tishrei / October 7

Dr. Douglas G. Batty
Bessie Bornstein

9 Tishrei / October 8

Lillian Rosenzweig
Valentin Sobotka

10 Tishrei / October 9

Albert Borenstein
Philip Boris
Rafael Bornstein
Naomi Susan Sinagub

11 Tishrei / October 10

Roy Anderson
Rose (nee Sweet) Shapiro

12 Tishrei / October 11

Esther Lewis
Harry Lewis
Rose Schain
Michael Paley Stein

13 Tishrei / October 12

Harry Becker
Phineas Grunes
Alvin Pratzel
Max Rosen
Lenny Rosenthal
Rose Winer

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Yahrzeits

14 Tishrei / October 13

Esther Frank
Ben Gahr
Annette Gould
Julius Grunes

15 Tishrei / October 14

Charles Halperin
Meyer Levine
Harry Sternberg

16 Tishrei / October 15

Belle Spitz
Sol Weiman

17 Tishrei / October 16

Marcia Lucille Terman

18 Tishrei / October 17

Albert Daniels
Vivian Daniels

19 Tishrei / October 18

Eva Cohen
Joseph Rossman
Dora Sinykin
Nehama Sweet

20 Tishrei / October 19

Geraldine Randy
Miriam Sweet

21 Tishrei / October 20

Barbara Cohen
Ida Glick
Nellie Jacobs
Solomon Sweet

22 Tishrei / October 21

Ben Minkoff

23 Tishrei / October 22

Selma Hill Cohen
Claire Rudin

24 Tishrei / October 23

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

25 Tishrei / October 24

Suzanne Schrag
Harry Temkin

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Joe Temkin Education Fund

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Billie & Si Hellerstein from Harvey Temkin & Barbara Myers Temkin

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in memory of

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To donate, simply send us a check or call the office (608-256-7763) with a credit card number or e-check information (bank routing and account numbers). Please send all mail to 1406 Mound St., Madison, WI 53711.

August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Rosh Chodesh Av	3 <i>Matot-Masei</i>
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 <i>Devarim</i>
			Mind ♥ Books		Kabbalat Shabbat & Potluck Dinner at Hoyt Park	Sponsored Kiddush Erev Tisha B'Av
11 Tisha B'Av	12	13	14	15	16	17 <i>Vaetchanan</i>
		Board of Directors				
18 OutReach Magic Festival	19	20	21	22	23	24 <i>Eikev</i>
25 Hava Nagila Community Picnic	26	27	28	29	30	31 <i>Re'eh</i> Rosh Chodesh Elul Amelia Sidney Bat Mitzvah

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Rosh Chodesh Elul	2 Office closed for Labor Day	3	4	5	6	7 <i>Shoftim</i>
8 Gefilte Fish Workshop	9	10 Talmud Torah Begins Annual Meeting	11	12 TT	13 Berries & Jammies	14 <i>Ki Teitzei</i> Tt Sponsored Kiddush Judy Pierotti b-day Mediation Retreat
15	16	17 TT	18	19 TT	20	21 <i>Ki Tavo</i> TT S'lichot
22	23	24 TT	25	26 TT	27	28 <i>Nitzavim</i> TT Sponsored Kiddush Judith Blank b'day Shabbat Z'mirot
29 Erev Rosh Hashanah	30 Office closed Rosh Hashanah Tashlich					

October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Office closed Rosh Hashanah (no TT)	2	3 TT	4	5 <i>Vayeilech</i> TT
6 Kever Krovim	7	8 Office closed at noon (no TT) Kol Nidre	9 Office closed Yom Kippur	10 TT	11	12 <i>Ha'Azinu</i> TT
13 Yom Rishon Erev Sukkot	14 Office closed Pizza in the Hut	15 Office closed (no TT) BIC Neighborhood Sukkah Hop	16	17 TT Wine & Cheese In a Sukkah	18	19 <i>Sukkot</i> TT Shabbat Z'mirot
20 Hoshana Rabbah East Side Sukkah Hop	21 Shmini Atzeret Office Closed Erev Simchat Torah Celebration	22 Office closed Simchat Torah Children's Program (no TT)	23	24 TT	25	26 <i>Bereshit</i> TT
27	28	29 Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan TT	30 Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan	31 TT		

Yahrzeits

26 Tishrei / October 25
Marcia Lewis
Rachel Sinaiko

27 Tishrei / October 26
Charles Glick
Sarah Glick
Bella Sweet

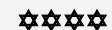
28 Tishrei / October 27
Danielle Goren
Donald M. Meyers
Chana Schostak
Joseph D. Zatlin

29 Tishrei / October 28
Rose Gerson
Shoshana Hellerstein
Jacob Sinagub

30 Tishrei / October 29
Joe (Jachial) Temkin
Marvin Wexler

1 Heshvan / October 30
Ruben Blachman
Esther Lefevre

2 Heshvan / October 31
Alex Temkin



The names on these pages are the yahrzeits (death anniversaries) in Beth Israel Center's database. Please contact the office with questions or corrections.

Yahrzeits begin the evening before the Gregorian date listed here.

If you would like to observe the anniversary of a loved one's passing at BIC, please contact the office so we can notify the community.



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August / September / October Candle Lighting Times

Date	Shabbat Parasha	Candle Lighting
August 2/3	Matot-Masei	7:59p
August 9/10	Devarim	7:50p
August 16/17	Vaetchanan	7:40p
August 23/24	Eikev	7:29p
August 30/31	Re'eh	7:17p
September 6/7	Shoftim	7:05p
September 13/14	Ki Teitzei	6:52p
September 20/21	Ki Tavo	6:40p
September 27/28	Nitzavim	6:27p
October 4/5	Vayeilech	6:15p
October 11/12	Ha'Azinu	6:02p
October 18/19	Bereshit	5:51p
October 25/26	Noach	5:40p

Date	Holy Day	Candle Lighting
September 29	Erev Rosh Hashanah	6:23p
September 30	Erev Rosh Hashanah II	7:30p
October 8	Erev Yom Kippur	6:08p
October 13	Erev Sukkot	5:59p
October 14	Erev Sukkot II	7:05p
October 20	Erev Shmini Atzeret	5:48p
October 21	Erev Simchat Torah	6:54p

Shabbat Services

Fridays
5:45pm

Saturdays
9:15am

Weekday Services

Sunday mornings
8:15am

Monday & Thursday
mornings
7:00am

Weekday evenings
5:30pm

Please call ahead to
ensure a minyan.
Other morning services may be
organized by request.