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Summer Shabbat Potluck in Hoyt Park ~ Friday, August 11

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.

Annual Membership Meeting ~ 6:30pm Tuesday, September 12

Come 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. RSVP for dinner by contacting the office by September 5.

NEW: S'lichot Program ~ 8:45pm Saturday, September 16

On the Saturday night before Rosh Hashanah for Havdallah, we will watch a film and discuss it, then hold our s'lichot service (around 11:15pm). The film, *The Quarrel*, is about two old friends, both Holocaust survivors, one a Yiddish writer who has turned his back on Jewish faith, the other an Orthodox rabbi. Registration is not required.

Mikvah Program ~ 7:00pm Tuesday, September 26

Going to the mikvah to prepare for Yom Kippur is an age-old custom. Come learn about this and other mikvah customs with Rabbi Barth. Participants will have the opportunity to immerse (privately, of course) the night of the program.

High Holidays 5778

Rosh Hashanah begins Wednesday evening, September 20. Service times, ticket information, childcare information and more will be mailed to members in August. **Please purchase your High Holiday tickets when you renew your membership on or before the August 25 deadline.**

S'lichot Program & Service / September 16

Rosh Hashanah / September 20-22

Yom Kippur / September 29-30

High Holiday 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.

NEW: Yom Kippur Meditation ~ Friday, September 29

About 15 minutes after the end of Erev Yom Kippur services, Rabbi Sami Barth will lead about an hour of meditation in the Small Sanctuary. All are welcome.

Erev Simchat Torah Celebration! ~ Thursday, October 12

Watch the BIC website and congregational emails for more information.



Thoughts from the Rabbi...

How (much) do we know each other?

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Next Centerite Deadline:

October 2, 2017



An old and beloved story speaks of two people, having shared more than a few drinks in a bar. One of them says to the other: "Do you love me, my friend?" and the reply follows: "Of course I love

you!"
"Then my friend, tell me what hurts me?"
"I don't know what hurts you!"
... "How can you love me, and not know my pain ..."
The life of a sacred

community is always about love ... and also about what hurts.

There are so many people within the Beth Israel Center community who carry deep love and fondness for this sacred congregation. It is a place of celebration, of simchas and anniversaries. It is a place to welcome and celebrate Shabbat and Festivals, a place to learn, and sing, and come together to work for the betterment of the world in which we live.

And ... it is also the place to which we come in time of sorrow, of illness, of mourning. In the face of tragedy in the world we share our sorrow, and we recall and share the memories of sorrows in times gone by. The rhythms of sacred Jewish time and the rhythms and stories of our own lives come together in sacred space, sanctified not only by design and purpose, but also by memory and shared experience.

It has been my pleasure and privilege to begin to hear some of the stories of BIC – of generations past, and the hopes of the young people who will grow into the generations of the future. In this transitional year for the congregation, recalling the stories of connections can be a source for strength and insight to build and plan well for the future. Please do take time to share with me your stories, and your hopes and dreams. In telling these things – they gain strength and clarity.

The door to my office in the BIC building is almost always open, and I'm glad to meet almost anywhere around town for coffee or a walk (or to paddle kayaks on one of the lakes).

I also invite everyone in the wider BIC family to look around, and wonder what hurt might be carried by some among us – perhaps not obviously. Who comes to BIC and smiles – and returns to an empty home, and might yearn for company for the sacred meals of Shabbat and Holy days. Who might come to a learning session, or music, but feels a little shy or hesitant, awaiting a personal connection and invitation. While many of us are comfortable with Hebrew language and traditional tunes – others are uncertain and not sure how it all fits together. How do we open the gates of experience and comfort – along with pouring wine and preparing food for Kiddush.

Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur invite us to look into our own souls, and to deepen our connections with family and community. I look forward to sharing the journey with this remarkable circle of people, and to getting to know even more of the BIC stories, and the human souls that are shaped by these stories ... and dreams.

This year it's my delight to share with the Beth Israel community the journey from Rosh Hashanah through Yom Kippur - and beyond. Let me join with my wife, Karen, and our kids, Yishai and Miriam, in wishing to all a *Shanah Tovah uMetukah* - a good and a sweet year. May the words, melodies and times of quiet that we share be pathways to greater understanding, to building and deepening relationships, and appreciating the many blessings that many of us experience each day, each week and each month. *Leshanah tovah tikateivu utechateimu* - May we all be written and sealed for a good year.

- R' Sami Barth
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President's Column

Sunny Days

I'm always surprised that the summer solstice is in June. "But wait! Summer just began. How could the days be getting shorter already?" As always, the progression of time and the cycle of the seasons are important lessons in impermanence. The opportunities and challenges of this lesson are very much on our minds as we approach the High Holidays. As a community, we experience these changes in numerous ways. Rabbi Ben-Gideon and his family are doing well in their new community in Greensboro, NC, and we continue to wish them well. Here at BIC, our new rabbi for the year, Rabbi Sami Barth, has brought us innovative programming this summer focused on Kabbalah, Tisha B'Av and liturgical music, ancient and modern. Even before he was officially on contract, Reb Sami was working night and day to smooth our transition to new spiritual leadership, building relationships with members of the congregation, the Jewish community in Madison, and with other faith institutions. I look forward to the coming year as his *menschlichkeit*, learnedness and phenomenal energy help guide our community along paths both familiar and novel.

I would like to highlight a major project we have undertaken this summer, as I think it represents much of what is so fabulous about our kahal. At our June meeting this year, the Board of Directors approved the installation of a 65 kW photovoltaic (solar power) system on the roof of the synagogue. This solar panel array is projected to generate about one half of Beth Israel's electrical power, saving about \$10,000 a year on our MG&E bill at today's energy rates and substantially reducing our carbon footprint. Steve Goldstein and Don Miner worked

tirelessly to move this project from conception to construction, and on behalf of the community I would like to express our deep gratitude for their hard work. It is, quite literally, tikkun olam, using our resources today to combat global climate change in the future, while simultaneously providing an investment opportunity for the congregation.



Alongside everything else going on at BIC, we are also gearing up to resume our rabbi search. The second iteration of our Rabbi Search Committee, with a healthy mix of new and returning members, has been getting ready for when applications start arriving this fall. Many thanks to our committee members, and especially to Regina Vidaver, who is now chairing the committee. The overwhelmingly positive experience of last year's search process has provided an important foundation for the next round. We look forward to welcoming new candidates to Madison early next year. As always, please write to rabbisearch@bethisraelcenter.org with questions about the search.

As the lazy summer afternoons give way to the busy mornings of the fall, I am reminded of the line from the High Holiday liturgy, *Hayom harat olam*, "today the world is created." It applies not just on Rosh Hashanah, but every day of the year. As each day dawns, our world, and our community, are created anew, life's energy propelling us to new horizons and new possibilities. Shanah tovah.

Matt Banks

Matt Banks
president@bethisraelcenter.org

ANNUAL BIC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Tuesday, Sept. 12
6:30pm**

Dinner at 5:45.

Weekday Minyan

To assure a weekday minyan, contact the office, (608) 256-7763

1406 Mound St.

Sunday mornings
8:15am

Monday & Thursday
mornings
7:00am

Sunday thru Thursday
evenings
5:30pm

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9am to 5pm

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9am to Noon

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FINDING YOUR WAY AT BETH ISRAEL CENTER:

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.



From the Executive Director's Desk

Sweet Grapes

Simchas & Announcements

MAZAL TOV to...

Sarah Kessler, Zach Masa-Meyers and their families on their June wedding.

Isaac and Ashley Pratzel and their families on their July wedding.

Sherwood and Barbara Malamud on the July birth of their grandson, Elan, to Miriam Malamud.

Corliss and Bill Karasov on the July birth of their granddaughter, Laila Torres Karasov, to Ariela Karasov and Daniel Torres.

A LITTLE WISH LIST

If you ever find yourself wondering if there's a little something you can do for Beth Israel Center while you're out running errands, feel free to pick up any quantity of the following:

- boxes of facial tissue
- pods for our Keurig coffee/tea machine
- 1-oz plastic shot cups

Then bring your donation to Beth Israel Center whenever the office is open.

Every contribution helps our synagogue!

There are many ways to be a member of this congregation. Some people connect by paying "dues." Others define



membership as helping to make the minyan, serving on a kitchen crew, or doing committee work. All of these types of support are necessary, and I

like to think of them in terms of a metaphor that some of you may recall; it likens a congregation to a grapevine.

This community has many clusters of people deeply committed to one or another activity — daily minyan, setting up Shabbat Kiddush, leading services, volunteering for meals-on-wheels, the men's shelter, or The Road Home, driving to Talmud Torah, coming together on Shabbat and holidays...the list goes on.

For many people, hanging with that group is more than simply a habit, it's a defining connection. What I like about the grapevine metaphor is that a grapevine lacks an implicit hierarchy of clusters. Each bunch has a certain integrity to it, and all of the bunches are connected by the vine that sustains them. A grapevine meanders, firmly rooted in one spot, but seeking light and water as its tendrils reach out into their environment for support. The vine nourishes its fruit and, in turn, the fruits produce and protect seeds that guarantee the creation of another vine. As a congregation, we need to provide nutrients to the many clusters attached to the vine while at the same time growing and

climbing, finding places in our environment to serve as the arbor.

To push the metaphor a bit further, congregants have the choice to join various clusters or to become other parts of the vine. There are leaves that absorb light and moisture and shade the grapes in the heat of the day, just as there are individuals and committees who see to the spiritual, nutritional, and financial needs of the synagogue. The vine has tendrils that extend out and find new points of attachment, just as a synagogue has its own needs to reach out, and in, as a welcoming community. And there is the vine itself, which is both the structure that carries the load and the conduit that connects and nourishes the rest. All of these parts are significant and vital.

A grapevine can provide many delights. We can sit in its shade and enjoy fragrance and color. We can savor the sugary crunch of the fruit. We can drink juice, stuff leaves, make jam, jelly, preserves.

In our Beth Israel Center grapevine, a leaf can decide to become a tendril. A grape can switch bunches, or can decide to hang out with several bunches.

I could make very long lists of who comes to mind when I think of those grapes and clusters and vines, and I'd really like to because I value each and every person who volunteers time or expertise for this community. But there's only so much space here, so if you are one of the many people who helps out around here, thank you. Shana Tovah to all!

Elissa Pollack

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Thanks to these families for sponsoring recent and upcoming kiddushim:

- June 24 – Felice Borisy Rudin and Nathan Rudin, and Alexis Borisy and Lia Meisinger Borisy in honor of their mother, Adrienne Borisy Gross
- July 29 – Ruth and Dan Siegel to honor the memory of Ruth's mother, Anna Bentley (z'l)
- August 5 – The Kniaz family to celebrate the lives of Harry Kniaz (z'l), Bertha and Morris Kniaz (z'l), and Serene and Martin Mazor (z'l)
- August 26 – Jessie and Jordy Loeb for their son Benno's Bar Mitzvah



From the Education Director's Desk

Benchmarks and Assessment

It's not a "sexy" topic, and there are probably very few people reading this who would say "Thank goodness for Betsy DeVos," but her hearing debacle brought to the forefront, among other things, questions of how we make sure that students are learning what we want them to learn, what they need to learn and what we're teaching. An essential question for any education program, including ours, is "How do we measure student progress?"

Throughout the years we've looked critically at our program from a variety of angles, leading to many changes, both big and small. A few examples:

- our transition to Shabbat school
- tweaking our weekday dismissal time from 6:00 to 5:45 and adding 30 minutes to the weekend class sessions to make weekday evenings easier for families
- reports that measure student progress along a spectrum and allow parents to easier follow their student's development from year to year.

Many of you have asked me about my educational philosophies. A big one for Talmud Torah is that I want to be sure that we are honoring everyone's -- students', families', faculty's, and the congregation's -- commitment to our strong program by not wasting anyone's time or money. One of the ways we do this is by assessing our students in a

variety of techniques.

This year the Talmud Torah will have a renewed focus on benchmarks and assessment, especially with regard to Hebrew decoding and reading. This approach, of course, will have a domino effect on the professional development that I do with the teachers around assessment as well as teaching and planning. Some questions we'll be looking at in our teacher trainings before Talmud Torah begins and throughout the year are: How do we continue to make Talmud Torah fun while holding both teachers and students accountable for forward progress? What are some different manners of assessment that may work for more of our students? As always I'll be working with our faculty in whole group, small group and individual meetings on these issues. I am also looking to bring in professionals with expertise in Hebrew teaching in a congregational school to help me help our program. Please be in touch with your questions or suggestions.



Beth Cohn Copelovitch
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Yom Rishon

Calling all families with preschoolers! Come to Yom Rishon and enjoy interactive family learning on a different Jewish theme each time. Meet other families with preschool-age children.

Yom Rishon is a theme-based program, including art, movement, music, stories, and projects as well as further learning on the subject for parents and other adults who accompany the children. It is family education at its finest.

Put all of our 5778 dates on your calendar:

- September 17
- October 15
- November 12
- December 17
- January 28
- March 18
- April 15
- May 6

10:00-11:15am

Come to some or all!
Bring friends!

Members may attend Yom Rishon for free. Others pay \$5/child, or \$10/family

2017-18 Talmud Torah Schedule

Kindergarten / Kitah Gan

Shabbat morning, 10:30-noon (optional play time, 9:30-10:30)

Grades 1 & 2 / Kitot Alef & Bet

Shabbat morning, 10:30-noon (optional play time, 9:30-10:30)
Tuesday, 4:00-5:45 (optional Franklin bus pick up and play time 3:00-4:00)

Grades 3-7 / Kitot Gimel, Dalet, Hay and Vav

Shabbat morning, 9:30-noon
Tuesday & Thursday 4:00-5:45 (optional Randall school pick up and play/homework time 3:00-4:00)



By Word of Mouse

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

UPCOMING MOUSY EVENTS

SUN, SEPT 10
Boating on Wingra

SUN, SEPT 17
Annual Rosh Hashana Gift Bags Joint Youth Group Event



REGIONAL & NATIONAL USY PROGRAMS

FRI, NOV 10-
SUN, NOV 12
CHUSYfest Fall Convention

FRI, DEC 8-
SUN, DEC 10
Regional Kadima Konvention

SUN, DEC 24-
THURS, DEC 28
International USY Convention in Chicago

FRI, JAN 27-
SAT, JAN 28
CRUSY Specialty Kinnus

FRI, APRIL 27 -
SUN, APRIL 29
CHUSY Spring Kinnus Convention

Join our fun-loving MOUSY high school youth group for a year of exciting social get-togethers, community service projects, recreational activities, and religious and educational programs. Mark your calendars for our 2017-18 local and regional programs. Some are listed to the left. Stay tuned to the wondrous world of MOUSY for more details.

In the name of Tikun Olam, ten mighty mitzvah-making mice amassed 120 plus lunches, including peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, chocolate chip cookies, and clementines (along with several gallons of orange juice and milk) for the men’s shelter at Grace Episcopal Church at our kindly **MOUSY Makes A Meal** on Sunday afternoon, April 23. Kol HaKavod to program chairs, Moira Wilson and Ellie Becker, for setting up the event, running the food stations, and multi-tasking all over the place.

MOUSY’s 2017 **Nominations/Elections** took place at Layla’s Persian Cafe on Sunday morning, May 21. Our quorum of mice participated in Jewish civics by exercising their Jewish duty to vote and eat at our formal meeting and casual brunch. We added a spirit of fun to our parliamentary proceedings by going Hawaiian,



Back to Front, L to R: Debbie Rudin, Deborah Blank, Albert Shoshany Glosser, Talia Ivry, Hannah Ehrlich, Maya Becker, Deborah Hoffman, Ellie Becker, Rhiannon Wilson, Mirra Blehert, and Mia Kurzer

dressed in our best flowered shirts, leis, sunglasses, hats, and other tropical attire. Compliments to our marvelous chef and hostess Laila Borokhim. Kol HaKavod to now “Ex” Presidents Hannah Ehrlich and Talia Ivry for presiding over our MOUSY elections and constituents.

Mazal Tov to MOUSY’s newly-elected 2017-18 Executive Board officers (listed at the top of page 7) as we look forward to a wonderful year of meaningful Jewish learning and lively activities.

Finally, on Friday night, June 2, a terrific 22 mice gathered for our final *Shabbat Schmooze* event of the school year, ba-bayt Gaby Baum, Ruth Litovsky, and David Baum. After a taste of Kabbalat Shabbat davening at BIC, we indulged in a delicious Shabbat dinner of lasagna, salad and fruit, topped off with chocolate chip cookies and ice-cream. Rav todot to our gracious Baum/Litovsky host family.

Yasher Koach to the outgoing 2016-17 MOUSY board officers—*Hannah Ehrlich, Talia Ivry, Moira Wilson, Ellie Becker, Maya Becker, Deborah Blank, and Albert Shoshany Glosser*—and Youth Director Deborah Hoffman—for an incredible year of adventures from our favorite Shabbat Schmooze Friday night dinners to No Sew Fleece Blankets to Murder Mystery at Deadwood Saloon to MOUSY Makes A Meal, and, of course, our Mouse-Warming Party celebration. We enjoyed flavorful food, loads of fun, a few life lessons, collaborative group accomplishments, worthwhile Tikun Olam projects, and delightful get-togethers—always adding a bit of creative play to *Jewish tradition*.

Heartfelt farewells to the class of graduating seniors: *Deborah Blank, Ellen Bresnick, Hannah Ehrlich, Seth Goldstein, Adam Goren, Talia Ivry, Mina Kianovsky, Adam Levy, Noah Pollack, Eliza Scholl, Albert Shoshany Glosser, Ben Shovers, and Abby Steinberger*. Chazak v'Ematz (*Be Strong and of Good Courage*) in your future endeavors.

*****KADIMA***KADIMA***KADIMA*****

On Sunday afternoon, April 30, fun-loving Kadima teens met up at The Sett Recreation room at Union South to bowl, shoot pool, play air hockey, and just hang out!

Our middle-schoolers wrapped up the year of amusement and camaraderie by lunching, shopping, and noshing at the Kadima State Street Hang-out on Sunday afternoon, June 4. From Ian's Pizza to Little Luxuries to Soap Opera to Ragstock to It's Sugar to UW Bookstore, and ending together at the Chocolate Shoppe for ice-cream, our Kadimaniks put in an energetic day of schmoozing and having fun.



Leila Loeb, Yael Rosenblatt, Rhiannon Wilson, Micah Copelovitch, and Lily Matthews-Needelman found their sweet tooth at It's Sugar on State Street.

**2017-18
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**Observe Shabbat!
Take your
Standardized Tests
on Sunday!**

2017-18 SAT Dates:

October 15
November 5
December 3
March 11
May 6
June 3

SAT registration info:
866-756-7346.

2017-18 ACT Dates:

October 29
December 10
April 15
June 10

ACT Registration info:
319-337-1270.



Meet Your Leadership

K'HILAT CHESED

Members of the BIC K'hilat Chesed (Caring Community) group visit individuals who find it difficult or impossible to attend services or other synagogue programs. Visits by members of the K'hilat Chesed group 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 K'hilat Chesed group, please contact Rabbi Sami Barth 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. Requests are typically filled with surprising speed.

Beth Israel Center's Board of Directors sets policies consistent with our Mission and Vision and assures that our committees and professional staff work in concert with those policies. The Board is also responsible for our budget and fiscal well-being. You should know whose hands your synagogue is in, so we are introducing a few Board members in this and future issues of the Centerite.

Steve Goldstein, VP-House

When did you join the congregation and why? I joined in 1986 when Laurie Melrood, Rabbi Chuck Feinberg and I were organizing a national delegation to the Texas-Mexico border area. During that trip, about 10 rabbis and Jewish professionals met with Central American refugees and providers, toured detention facilities and visited faith communities.



Tell us a little bit about yourself. I like to do outdoor activities year-round, including biking, running, skating and skiing. I work as a scientist at UW. My graduate training was in mathematics and most of my career has been in computational biology and software engineering. I have regularly volunteered for at least one of the Meals on Wheels routes that Beth Israel Center members cover, as well as at the Men's Shelter, and with various projects associated with The Road Home since 1995. With my wife, Laura, and children, River and Seth, we were mentors to a family for two years when Beth Israel Center was involved with the Second Chance Apartment Program.

In what other ways have you served the congregation? I previously served a term on the Board of Directors and I led a project to remodel the shul offices about 10 years ago, before the big remodeling project.

When you were asked to join the Board of Directors this time around, did you say "yes" right away? I hesitated, but then I looked around at all the time and effort others are contributing and I wanted to share in those efforts.

Name one thing that may surprise people about you. I still use the 1/4" socket set I won in 1977 at the Akron Jewish Center community picnic in a beer-guzzling contest.

Marsha Cohen, At-Large Director

When did you join the congregation and why? Twenty years ago, in 1997, we had moved to Madison the previous year, our kids were young, and we were looking for a Jewish community. I grew up in a Conservative shul, and my husband grew up in New York.



Tell us a little bit about yourself. I grew up in California and moved to New York as an adult. Since 1997, we've lived on the west side of Madison. My kids are Sam, age 22, a firefighter this summer out west for the US Forest service, and Nina, age 25, living in Chicago and working for a non-profit helping people find housing. We've had pets ever since we were married. Currently we have an old dog —Gretzky, a lab mix, who is 12—and a VERY old cat —Roxy, age 20, still going strong. My mother is almost 94, she is living independently in California. I like to stay active and enjoy outdoor stuff; a new activity for me is kayaking. I've climbed a few mountains in my time, some rather high. I'm always listening to audio books. (Continues on the bottom of page 9.)



Rabbi Search Committee Update

By Regina Vidaver

As we settle into what promises to be a good year with Interim Rabbi Sami Barth, the Rabbi Search Committee is gearing up to resume our search for Beth Israel Center's next rabbi.

The congregation owes a tremendous amount of gratitude to last year's search committee chair, Aaron Friedman, and the entire 2016-17 committee: Jennie Edes-Pierotti, Sam Gellman, Anna Heifetz, Josh Minkoff, Fran Schrag, Bill Schwab, Nadav Shelef, Karen Shevet Dinah and myself, as well as Matt Banks.

Aaron and everyone on last year's committee paved a solid path for this year's committee to follow. We also commend everyone in the congregation who actively engaged in the search so far. We will need your continued energy and commitment in the coming year.

At this time, we anticipate several similarities to last year's search process.

For example, we expect to begin receiving applications following the Fall holidays, and we hope to bring candidates in for weekend-long interviews in the early months of 2018.

We also will rely heavily on input from the congregation in forming our recommendation to the Board.

The committee's first order of business this summer is to review last year's process and determine what, if any, changes would be beneficial. As always, we welcome input from congregants. Please email rabbisearch@bethisraelcenter.org or contact any of us directly: Regina Vidaver (chair), Matt Banks (ex-officio), Bennett Berson, Naomi Chesler, Yonah Drazen, Michal Engelman, Rick Ezell, Steve Jellinek, Kazu Kitano, Laurie Nagus, Bill Schwab, and Nadav Shelef.

About the Board....

Our Board is made up of Officers and Directors, many of whom are also committee chairs. Officers serve two-year terms and make up our Executive Committee. Directors' terms are three years. The President, President-Elect and Immediate-Past President almost always serve only one term in those positions; others may be re-elected and frequently are.

New Board members are elected each year at the Annual Membership Meeting, which this year is on Tuesday, September 12. The slate on which the membership will vote this year will be mailed to members in August.

What kinds of things have you done at Beth Israel Center? When we first joined and I saw congregants leading services and doing the Torah readings, I dove in. Little by little, I learned and started to lead services and read Torah. I've been on various committees from time to time, including membership and ritual; and I was on the Board in the past. On the membership committee, I especially enjoyed delivering new member baskets.

What is your favorite thing to do at/with Beth Israel Center? Eat!!

When you were asked to join the Board of Directors this time around, did you say "yes" right away? Not exactly. First, I wanted to talk to the current and incoming presidents to find out more about how the meetings are. I was impressed by what I heard: Board meetings are concise, focused on business, and efficient. Board members are respectful of each other. I then asked my family; everyone said "go for it", so I did!

Name one thing that may surprise people about you. I have a cousin in the Pro Football Hall of Fame (Ron Mix, who played for the San Diego Chargers).

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Social Action Co-Chair
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(2017)
Jeff Mandell
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Yahrzeits

9 Av / August 1

Anna Altman
Samuel Kessel
Susan Knapp Lundquist
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Emanuel Rosenberg

10 Av / August 2

Norman Dachman
Phyllis Greenberg
Gerald Schlossberg
Sam Schwartz
Dora Sweet
Louie Wein

11 Av / August 3

Ben Berman
Maurice Parisek
Pearl Shaffer

12 Av / August 4

Celia Mullin
Mary Victor

13 Av / August 5

Reva Diamond

14 Av / August 6

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

15 Av / August 7

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

16 Av / August 8

Isidore Russ

17 Av / August 9

Nathan Borenstein
Ann Gusinow

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Social Action Opportunities

OutReach Pride Parade: Sunday, August 20

For the past several years, Beth Israel Center members have marched in Madison's Pride Parade, along with others in the Jewish community, behind the Congregation Shaarei Shamayim banner. This year, we will once again march in support of LGBTQ rights; however, several organizations, including Beth Israel Center, will have banners. We have asked the parade organizers to place us near other Jewish organizations and hope that this expands our collective expression of support and pride.

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 mother, 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. At East High School and Carl Sandburg Elementary School, FFTI food pantries offer discreet and easy access to take-home food supplies. Please consider making a contribution of the amount you might have spent on food during the Yom Kippur fast. Any time before Yom Kippur (except on Shabbat), please bring to Beth Israel Center cash or checks payable to the Goodman Center, with FFTI noted on the memo line.

Serve Food at the Men's Shelter

Beth Israel Center members have been serving meals at the Emergency Shelter for Men in downtown Madison for more than ten years. 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. If you can offer an occasional Sunday evening or Monday morning, please contact Corliss Karasov at ckarasov@gmail.com or 831-6521. Or find the sign-up link on our website. Look under Ways to Give, then Volunteer Opportunities. At press time, there were many open slots!

The Road Home

Four times each calendar year, Beth Israel Center serves as a Buddy Congregation when Midvale Community Lutheran Church, at the corner of S. Midvale and Tokay Boulevards, hosts homeless families in transition to permanent housing. Sign up on our website (www.bethisraelcenter.org) or the church's (www.midvalelutheran.org). Our last Buddy Congregation week for 2017 is August 27-September 3. Please contact the office if you need help signing up.

Meals on Wheels

BIC volunteers deliver about 10 lunchtime meals on each of two routes every Sunday. Each volunteer's turn comes around about every six weeks. Please call Larry Bensky (238-2569) to schedule a ride-a-long or for more information.

Refugee Resettlement Efforts

Beth Israel Center volunteers are among those supporting the new refugee resettlement program spearheaded by Jewish Social Services of Madison. Please contact JSS for more information: (608) 278-1808, www.jssmadison.org.

Friends of Emerson School

Jewish Congregations for Social Justice -- our ongoing cooperative effort with Temple Beth El and Congregation Shaarei Shamayim -- continues to support Emerson Elementary School. For information on current volunteer opportunities, email jcsjmadison@gmail.com, visit www.jewishcongregationsforsocialjustice.org, or visit JCSJ's Facebook page.



Making the Minyan

Maintaining a daily minyan, particularly for those who are in mourning or marking the anniversary of a loved one's death, is important for our community. Being a part of a minyan and saying Kaddish, or being counted in a minyan that allows a friend to say Kaddish, makes us a link in a spiritual chain. We come together to recognize these losses through words that have been uttered for this purpose for two millennia. The essence of our daily prayers is to renew our connection to God, including in moments of loss and times of gratitude.

While many of us can relate to these thoughts and understand them as ideals and even core values of a traditional Jewish community, very few of us — often fewer than the required 10 to say Kaddish — regularly attend our weekday morning and evening minyanim at Beth Israel.

Many congregants have said they'll come when they know they're needed. To let each member know when s/he is particularly needed, we are asking each family to send at least one Jewish adult (over 13) to our morning and evening minyanim as often as possible during two assigned calendar weeks each year, beginning on Sunday and ending with Shabbat. Assignments are mailed out 4-6 weeks in advance with an email reminder the week before your assigned week. They are also posted on our website, and our office has a listing.

If you are unavailable during your week, consider swapping with a friend, or pick another week that works better for you.

Please come. You are needed.



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!

Complete and return this form to the office or email office@bethisraelcenter.org with all of the requested information.

BETH ISRAEL CENTER BOOK DEDICATION FORM

I would like to dedicate (write in the number of books):

_____ Weekday Siddur/Siddurim — minimum donation \$36 per book

_____ Etz Chayim Chumash/Chumashim — minimum donation \$72 per book

_____ Mahzor Lev Shalem (High Holiday prayerbooks) — minimum donation \$54 per book

For each dedicated book, please provide the following:

In (circle one) honor / memory of: _____

Dedicated by: _____

Yahrzeits

18 Av / August 10
Shirley Epstein

19 Av / August 11
Ralph Musin
Benjamin Rothblatt
Dorothy Zukerman

20 Av / August 12
Jane Grady
Bernard Joseph
Howard Nudel
Mary Wigonitz

21 Av / August 13
Herman Lazarov
Beatrice Marlowe

22 Av / August 14
Paul Bloom
Robert Gold
Bessie Onheiber
Jack Portnoy
Maurice Smith

23 Av / August 15
Evelyn Dworetzky Lipp
Hyman Kulakowsky

24 Av / August 16
Tobias Temkin

25 Av / August 17
Rose Nathenson

27 Av / August 19
E. Levine
Harry Shaffer

29 Av / August 21
Annabelle Argand
Louis Perlman

30 Av / August 22
Joshua Lerner
Anna Marie Popkewitz
Annie Wander

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Yahrzeits

1 Elul / August 23

Adel Haus
Herman Karan
Hyman Navin
A. Rozansky
Anna Stein

2 Elul / August 24

Ray Cohen
Sarah Cramer
Samuel Snovsky

3 Elul / August 25

Patricia Cohler
Samuel Forsheit
Lillian Harris
Nathan Paley
Aaron Richman
Celia Schvid
Chaya Setlick
Rose (Rachel) Weinstein

4 Elul / August 26

Carl Friedman
Charlotte Musin
Louis Terry

5 Elul / August 27

William Frank

6 Elul / August 28

Sara Rosenzweig
Harry Zimmerman

7 Elul / August 29

Leo Argand
Serene Mazor

8 Elul / August 30

Fanny Friedman
Sophie Levy
Harry Mullin

9 Elul / August 31

Harry Kopelberg
David Schwab

10 Elul / September 1

Hadasah Bloom
Harry Kniaz
Leah Zipursky

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Volunteer Appreciation

There are many ways to contribute time, energy and expertise to our congregation. Here are a few, and the people who helped in these ways recently:

Shabbat Kiddush:

Donna Anderson, Hannah Bernard-Donals, Howard Bregman, Marsha Cohen, Esther Criscuola deLaix, Cher Diamond, Jennie Edes-Pierotti, Jordan Ellenberg, Beth Fisher, Joshua Gabai, Patricia Green-Sotos, Roz Gusinow, Jen Hadley, Cynthia Hirsch, Sally Jones, Sasha Kerlow, Erica Kesin Richmond, Sarah Kessler, Steve Kessler, Kazu Kitano, Sigal Lazimy, Ruth Litovsky, Jessie Loeb, Arlene Lukin, Jeff and Sara Mandell, Laurel Mark, Adam and Aphra Mednick, Zach Masa-Myers, Laurie Nagus, Michael and Patrice Onheiber, Tziporah Quick, Judy Pierotti, Fran Schrag, Miriam Shelef, Lucyna Shenker, Regina Vidaver, Phyllis Wainger, Paul Wilson, Jim and Ziva Wear

Shabbat Greeters:

Judith Burstyn, Ankur and Emily Desai, Yonah Drazen, Anna Heifetz, David Hoffert, Janis Noonan, Mike Pressman, Barry Rich, Francie Saposnik, Fran and Sally Schrag

Lag B'Omer Cookout:

Matt Banks, David Baum, Lena Ben-Gideon, Vered Ben-Gideon, Rebecca Ben-Gideon, Yonah Drazen, Rick Ezell, Josh Gabai, Michael Heifetz, Corliss Karasov, Marci Katz, Neal Katz, Kazu Kitano, Lee Lazar, Jordy Loeb, Jeff Mandell, Jon Pollack, Dan Sidney, Regina Vidaver

Tikkun Leil Shavuot and Shavuot Kiddush crews:

Livia Asher, Rabbi Joshua Ben-Gideon, Lena Ben-Gideon, Rabbi Rebecca Ben-Gideon, Vered Ben-Gideon, Judith Burstyn, Cher Diamond, Yonah Drazen, Josh Gabai, Daniel Gill, Steve Goldstein, Roz Gusinow, Anna Heifetz, River Heisler, Ariel Kaufman, Yael Lund, Kathy Miner, Steve Nadler, Tziporah Quick, Judy Pierotti, Jon Pollack, Bob Skloot, Phyllis Wainger

The Road Home Buddies:

Donna Anderson, Marsha Cohen, Steve Goldstein, Steve Kessler, Kazu Kitano, Lorna Kniaz, Nancy Leff, Max Leff Lerner, KC Lerner, Patrice Onheiber, Mike Pressman, David Resnick, Russ Shafer-Landau

Men's Shelter Volunteers:

Matt Banks, David Baum, Yonah Drazen, Cynthia Hirsch, Corliss Karasov, Steve Kessler, Yaniv Lazimy, Laurie Nagus, Michael Onheiber, Simone Schweber, Bob Skloot

Laundry Angels:

Hannah Bernard-Donals, Kazu Kitano, Kris Rasmussen, Karen Shevet Dinah, Anna Syvertsen

MOUSY Shabbat Schmooze Host Family:

Ruth Litovsky, David Baum, Gaby Baum

If you have time or talent to give to Beth Israel Center, please contact Volunteer Coordinator Deborah Hoffman. We always need people to help set up and clean up Shabbat kiddush, Festival celebrations and other programs. We also need help with some library support projects, occasional grounds keeping, and more. Call (608) 256-7763 or email hoffman@bethisraelcenter.org. Todah!



Condolences to the families of...

- Joseph M. Kessler, father of Steve (Donna Anderson), grandfather of Hannah and Sarah (Zach Masa-Myers) Kessler
- Robert Schwartz, father of Lawrence (Barbara), Frederick (Sylvia) and Stephen
- Marvin Eisenberg, husband of Phyllis Mintz Eisenberg, father of Clifford (Nadine) and Howard (Susan) Eisenberg
- Allen Zemmol, husband of Lita, father of Debbie (Joel) Minkoff; grandfather of Caren Minkoff (Ari Lampear), Michael (Lainie) Minkoff, Ben Minkoff (Sarah Callahan), and Josh (Kaylee) Minkoff); great-grandfather of Eva, Eitan and Ori.
- Silvan Sam Schweber, father of Simone Schweber, grandfather of Talia and Max Ivry
- Herbert Miller, father of Bart Miller, grandfather of Jacob and Sara



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. Many of our named funds support particular aspects of our program.

Below and on pages 14-18 is a record of the memorial and tribute gifts made to these funds between mid-April and mid-July.

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.

Abraham Barash Handicap Fund

in memory of

- Burton Zitkin** from Alan Weinberg & Claire Weiss
- Julius Ruskin** from David & Kristie Ruskin
- Abraham Barash** from Eva Eiseman
- Bernie Mazursky** from Howard & Sally Mazur
- Arlyne Eisenberg** from Leslie Eisenberg
- Esther Frank** from Lynne Turnquist
- Beatrice Kosowsky** from Mark & Carolyn Kosowsky
- Jeanette Frank** from Michael Rock & Kathi Johnson Rock
- Rose Druch** from Shelley Davey

Art Fund

in memory of

- Daniel Hill and Leonard Bessman** from Ghita Bessman

Ben Minkoff Education Fund

in memory of

- Allen Zemmol** from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen and Sylvia Grunes
- Alice Barth and Leo Barth** from Susan Minkoff

Beth Israel Reserve

in memory of

- Shirley & Harold Blank** from Judith Blank

Yahrzeits

11 Elul / September 2

Robert Chortek
Ethel Fine-Plen
Irwin Goodman
Victor Jacoby
Rose Luterman
Isadore Shapiro
Jeanne Spiller
Phillip Zulty

12 Elul / September 3

Jennie Becker
Arthur Grant
Rose Turinsky

13 Elul / September 4

Sally Hammer
Ida Kaplan
Carolyn Smoler
Mollie Sweet

14 Elul / September 5

Hyman Daitch
Solomon Glass
Revetta Katsnelson

16 Elul / September 7

Oscar Ganetzky
Leah Heifetz

18 Elul / September 9

Hilda Barash
Goldie Kniaz Kruglak
Simcha Lazimy
Yetta Schwartz
Chaim Zukerman

19 Elul / September 10

Peter Bensch
Bertha Kniaz
Sarah Mintz
Harold Rutchick
Samuel Schuckit

20 Elul / September 11

Charles Adler
Ida Epstein
Joseph Karch
Evelyn Wasserstrom

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Yahrzeits

21 Elul / September 12

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

22 Elul / September 13

Sophie Goldstein
Anna Krashen
Meyer Levin
Helen Marcus

23 Elul / September 14

Mary Cohen
Tillie Lem
Hadassah Paley
Leo Schwartz

24 Elul / September 15

Jake Isaac
Henriette Miller

25 Elul / September 16

Leah Blachman
Alexander Katsnelson
Raphael Kianovsky
Hyman Landweber

26 Elul / September 17

Stephen Mandell
Bessie Rosen
Israel Rozmaity
Arthur Scholick
Miriam Siroky

27 Elul / September 18

Helen Adler
Rose Karan
Phillip Kivolowitz

28 Elul / September 19

Abraham Chechik
Frieda Epstein
Anna Grossman Hill
Danny Morgensteren
George Silver
Minnie Zulty
Wesley Zulty

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Memorial & Tribute Gifts

David Temkin Camp Ramah Fund

in honor of

Micah Copelovitch's Bar Mitzvah and Talia Dolin's Bat Mitzvah from
Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen

The Bat Mitzvah of Si & Billie Hellerstein's granddaughter Dahlia from
Rayla Temin

in memory of

Bob Schwartz from Bonnie Stein Kammer and Marcus & Sheila Cohen

Dora Levin from Roz Levin

Rae Rapkin from Ruth Tash

General Fund Contribution

in honor of

The marriage of Isaac & Ashley Pratzel from Robert Factor & Kris Rasmussen

The wedding of Sarah Kessler and Zachary Masa-Myers from Herbert Lewis
& Francie Saposnik and Karen Shevet Dinah

Goodbye and thank you to Rabbi Ben-Gideon and family from Phyllis Eisenberg

Sara Karon and her kindness from Rayla Temin

in memory of

Phyllis Schreiber from Albert & Sara Karoll

Dinah Silverman from Carl & Liz Silverman

Haskell Friedman from David Friedman

Bill Karpe from David Karpe & Julita Jankowska

Julius Ruskin from Dennis Ruskin

Amy Azen, Harry Gevirman and Mae Azen from Edwin Azen

Robert Smith and Dorothy Saposnik Smith from Herb Lewis & Francie Saposnik

Bob Schwartz, Joseph Kessler and Allen Zemmol from James & Ziva Wear

Soloman Swack from Jeanne Swack

Allen Zemmol from Joan Kerlow, Jordan & Jessie Loeb, Theodore & Irene
Knupp and Thomas Popkewitz & Lea Aschkenase

Abraham Sinagub and Yetta Sinagub from Jonathan Sinagub

Silvan Schweber from Jordan & Jessie Loeb and Tom Popkewitz & Lea Aschkenase

Anne Sweet from Lawrence & Jessica Sweet

Judith Zukerman Kaufman from Lorna Kniaz

Mary Galanter from Marc & Eve Galanter

Henry Levine from Maurice Edwards

Harry Figler and Sedelle Diamond from Michael Figler

Helen Richey from Michael Kaplan & Beverly Richey

Emanuel Simon from Mollybelle Berish

Fay Maydeck and Evelyn Jellinek from Steven and Bobbie Jellinek

Harry Sweet from Howard Sweet & James Warren

Julius Miller from Phyllis Davis

**Howard Eisenberg, Abe Peters, Lawrence Borenstein, Seymour Abrahamson
and Bob Schwartz** from Phyllis Eisenberg

Nicholas Polgar from Renata Laxova

Dollie Schuckit from Robert & Jeri Jo Schuckit

Leo & Alice Barth from Rosalie Schindel

Bob Schwartz from Stan Hershleder

Harry & Esther Sweet from Stephen & Rae Sweet

Rose Schwartz from Steven Schwartz

Joseph Kessler from Theodore & Irene Knupp



Memorial & Tribute Gifts

Holman/Weisbard Fund for Adult Jewish Learning

in honor of

Sylvia Grunes from Moshe & Haya Yuchtman

in memory of

Silvan Schweber from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen and Rayla Temin

Jake Heifetz Fund

in memory of

Bob Schwartz and Jake Heifetz from Michael Rock & Kathi Johnson Rock

Julius Ruskin, Harry Moss and Samuel Moskowsky from Samuel Moss

Joe Temkin Education Fund

in honor of

The 2017 High School Graduates from Harvey Temkin & Barbara Myers Temkin

in memory of

Silvan Schweber from Harvey Temkin & Barbara Myers Temkin

Minnie Isaac from Sam & Maria Onheiber

Marin & Serene Mazor Kiddush Fund

in honor of

Sylvia Grunes, The marriage of Sarah Kessler and Zachary Masa-Myers and for the Bar Mitzvah of Nathaniel Richmond from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen

The wedding of Sarah Kessler and Zachary Masa-Myers from Michael Rock & Kathi Johnson Rock

Sylvia Grunes from Janis Wrich, Emanuel Schwam and Tziporah Quick

The Aufruf for Sarah Kessler and Zachary Masa-Myers from Rayla Temin

in memory of

Harry Altshuler and Blanche Altshuler from David Sulman & Anne Altshuler

Elliot Iver from Kazu Kitano

Robert Schwartz from Harvey Temkin & Barbara Myers Temkin

Joseph Kessler, Miriam "Micky" Pressman, Bob Schwartz and Herbert Miller from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen

Joseph Kessler from Michael Rock & Kathi Johnson Rock

Jenny Eva Lebowitz from Rayla Temin

L'Dor v'Dor

Get Well

Diane Seder from Harvey Temkin & Barbara Myers Temkin

Rabbi Rebecca Ben-Gideon from Michael Rock & Kathi Johnson Rock

in honor of

Jonathan Greenspan's bar mitzvah from Ben & Sherry Hirschfeld

The birth of Michael & Lainie Minhoff's child from Harvey Temkin & Barbara Myers Temkin

Amira Pierotti's Bat Mitzvah from Si & Billie Hellerstein

Nathaniel Richmond's Bar Mitzvah from Sylvia Grunes

in memory of

Rose Frank, Rose Druch and Bob Schwartz from Alfred & Lois Frank

Frances Rossman and Bob Schwartz from Ben & Sherry Hirschfeld

Gerald Kleinman from Daniel Kleinman & Susan Bernstein

Robert Schwartz from James Temkin

Yahrzeits

29 Elul / September 20

Faye Amdur

Lillian Jacober

David Rothblatt

Sarah Stein

Max Sweet

1 Tishrei / September 21

Dorothy Levy

Marshall Mintz

Sylvia Pasch

Gilbert Rosenberg

Yechiel Rosenzweig

Leo Shapiro

Harold Switzky

2 Tishrei / September 22

Norman Frank

Coleman Slavney

Henry Temkin

Lillian Zakhem

3 Tishrei / September 23

Franklin Mann

Bayla Rachel Mazursky

4 Tishrei / September 24

Molly Ansell

Sam Katz

Sarah Knupp

6 Tishrei / September 26

Max Weigler

7 Tishrei / September 27

Rudolph Dolezal

Samuel Kneller

Martin Mazor

Elva Simon

8 Tishrei / September 28

Bessie Bornstein

Donna Newman

Gussie Wein

9 Tishrei / September 29

Murray Feit

Zachary Onikul

Lillian Rosenzweig

Valentin Sobotka

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Yahrzeits

10 Tishrei / September 30

Albert Borenstein
Philip Borisy
Rafael Bornstein
Naomi Sinagub

11 Tishrei / October 1

Henry Karpe
Rubin Schuckit
Rose Shapiro
Nate Sudow

12 Tishrei / October 2

Harry Lewis
Esther Lewis
Rose Schain
Michael Stein
Yechiel Temkin

13 Tishrei / October 3

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

14 Tishrei / October 4

Esther Frank
Ben Gahr
Annette Gould
Julius Grunes

15 Tishrei / October 5

Charles Halperin
Meyer Levine
Harry Sternberg

16 Tishrei / October 6

Jean Linderman
Belle Spitz
Abe Stein

17 Tishrei / October 7

William Simmons
Marcia Terman

18 Tishrei / October 8

Albert Daniels
Vivian Daniels
Lena Snovsky

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Memorial & Tribute Gifts

L'Dor v'Dor

in memory of

Robert Schwartz from Herman Goldstein
Paul Rock from Michael Rock & Kathi Johnson Rock
Hyman Lerner from Mitch & Sharon Rapkin
Lawrence Borenstein from Nicki Milin
Herbert Miller from Daniel & Leslie Greenspan
Bob Schwartz and Silvan Schweber from Paul Wilson & Laurie Nagus
Robert Schwartz and Joseph Kessler from Si & Billie Hellerstein

Mikvah Fund

in honor of

Sylvia Grunes from Roz Levin

Julius Mintz Fund

in memory of

Dave Weinstein from Barbara & Gary Beyer
Marvin Eisenberg from Howard & Sally Mazur
Sam Paley and Fruma Mintz from Phyllis Mintz Eisenberg
Harry Gerson from Sharon Glass

Morris Heifetz Welfare Fund

in honor of

Amira Pierotti from Anna Heifetz

in memory of

Silvan Schweber from Anna Heifetz
Yisrael Meir ben Gedaliah from Gerald Greenfield & Lauren Meyers

Prayerbook Fund

in memory of

Joseph Kessler from David & Nancy Resnick
Bob Schwartz from Rayla Temin
William Rosenblum from Stephen & Phyllis Wainger

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

in honor of

The marriage of Sarah Kessler and Zachary Masa-Myers from Michael & Patrice Onheiber

in memory of

Rabbi Gary Diamond from Howard & Heidi Bregman
Sheldon Bernstein from Bradley Bernstein
Max Gold from Marion Gold
Arthur Yaskal, Bessie Yaskal, Henry Yaskal, Julius Miller and Dorothy Miller from Maureen Yaskal
Joseph Kessler and Al Mocny from Michael & Patrice Onheiber
Oscar Rapkin from Mitch & Sharon Rapkin

Rosenberg Library Fund

in memory of

Gertrude Melrood, Hannah Ticktin and Max Ticktin from Laurie Melrood
Beatrice Sweet from Merle & Patricia Sweet



Memorial & Tribute Gifts

Rosenberg Library Fund

in memory of

Anna Schwam and Diane Schwam from Emanuel Schwam

Shirley Epstein Fund

in memory of

Aaron Epstein from Dennis & Nancy Lieder

Sol & Belle Epstein from Eleanor Epstein

Claire Swartz from Joel Marcus & Judith Swartz Marcus

Belle Novick from Ruth Ann Schumeister

Social Action Fund

in honor of

The marriage of Kaylee Heller and Josh Minkoff from Gerald Greenfield & Lauren Meyers

Amira Pierotti's Bat Mitzvah from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen

Amira Pierotti's Bat Mitzvah and Micah Copelovitch's Bar Mitzvah from Robert & Joann Skloot

in memory of

Ruth Weiner from Judy Pierotti

Talmud Torah Donation

in honor of

The Bar Mitzvah of Nathaniel Richmond and Bat Mitzvah of Amira Pierotti from David & Nancy Resnick

Amira Pierotti's Bat Mitzvah from Janet Highbloom and Karen Shevet Dinah

Micah Copelovitch's Bar Mitzvah from Howard & Heidi Bregman

in memory of

Joseph Kessler from Matthew & Jennie Edes-Pierotti

Silvan Schweber from Howard & Heidi Bregman

Adolph & Janet Weinshel Torah Upkeep Fund

Get Well

Rayla Temin, Anne Altshuler, Rebecca Ben Gideon, Aryeh Bruce Saposnik and Yair Mazor from Bruce Thomadsen & Louise Goldstein

in honor of

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in memory of

Joseph Kessler from Bill & Jill Boissonnault

David Ottenstein from Debbie Alden, Sandy, children and grandchildren and Jay & Kathy Ottenstein

Joseph Kessler, Jane England, Pearl England, Mollie Chalof Goldstein, Silvan Schweber, Allen Zemmol, Judith Zukerman Kaufman and Robert Schwartz from Bruce Thomadsen & Louise Goldstein

Lillian Greenberg from Rayla Temin

Yahrzeits

19 Tishrei / October 9

Eva Cohen
Joseph Rossman
Dora Sinykin
Rubin Stein
Nehama Sweet

20 Tishrei / October 10

Lewis Altschuler
Rebekah Azen
Geraldine Randy
Miriam Sulman
Miriam Sweet

21 Tishrei / October 11

Ida Glick
Solomon Sweet

22 Tishrei / October 12

Tsivyah Kanter
Ben Minkoff

23 Tishrei / October 13

Selma Hill Cohen
Claire Rudin

24 Tishrei / October 14

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

25 Tishrei / October 15

Harry Temkin
Sol Weiman

26 Tishrei / October 16

Nathan Borokhim
Leon Lassen
Marcia Lewis
Lillian Onikul
Rachel Sinaiko

27 Tishrei / October 17

Charles Glick
Sarah Glick
Bella Sweet

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Yahrzeits

28 Tishrei / October 18

Danielle Goren
Donald Meyers
Chana Schostak
Joseph Zatlin

29 Tishrei / October 19

Helen Feit
Rose Gerson
Shoshana Hellerstein
Jacob Sinagub

30 Tishrei / October 20

Marilyn Holman
Joe (Jachial) Temkin
Marvin Wexler

1 Heshvan / October 21

Rubin Adler
Ruben Blachman
Grace Goldstein

2 Heshvan / October 22

Bella Becker
Alex Temkin

3 Heshvan / October 23

Harry Schackter

4 Heshvan / October 24

Yudel Brandt
Harry Frank
Mosheh Yiddel Goldstein
Hersch Goldstein
Goldie Portnoy
Rebecca Seidman
Eva Shenker
Sadie Silver

5 Heshvan / October 25

Bernice Coppersmith
Helen Goldman
Theodore Jellinek
Minnie Simmons
Ruth Oster Weisbard

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Memorial & Tribute Gifts

Youth Fund

in honor of

**Jonathan Greenspan's Bar Mitzvah from Michael Pressman & Marsha Cohen
Hannah Lindholm Auf Ruf and wedding from Rayla Temin**



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Undesignated donations of up to \$1,000 go into our General Fund, where they also support our programming. Undesignated donations of \$1,000 or more go into our Reserve Fund.

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

If you would like to support a particular program or contribute toward a purchase on our wish list of building furnishings, please contact Executive Director Elissa Pollack, who can be reached at (608) 256-7763 or elissa@bethisraelcenter.org.

August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Tisha B'Av	2	3	4	5 Kiddush sponsored by Lorna Kniaz Zemirot Va'elchanan Shabbat Nachamu
6 Subversive Prayer Class	7	8 Board of Directors	9	10 Meditation & Study	11 Kabbalat Shabbat & potluck at Hoyt	12 Children's services Advanced Text Seudat Shlishit Ekev
13 Subversive Prayer Class Men's Shelter	14 Men's Shelter	15 Rosh Chodesh	16 Maimonides Class Rosh Chodesh	17	18	19 Re'eh
20 Subversive Prayer Class Pride Parade	21	22	23 Maimonides Class	24 Meditation & Study	25	26 Benno Loeb Bar Mitzvah Shoftim
27 The Road Home Buddy Congregation week -> Subversive Prayer Class	28	29	30 Maimonides Class	31		

September 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
The Road Home Buddy Congregation week ->						Ki Tetze
3	4 Office Closed	5	6	7	8	9
	Labor Day			Meditation & Study		Ki Tavo
10	11 Men's Shelter	12	13	14	15	16
Men's Shelter		Talmud Torah Begins Annual Meeting 6:30				Nitzavim-Vayelech Selichot
17	18	19	20	21 Office Closed	22 Office Closed	23
Yom Rishon			Erev Rosh Hashanah	Tashlich Rosh Hashanah	Rosh Hashanah	Ha'azinu Shabbat Shuvah
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Cemetery visits Fast of Gedaliah Observed					Kol Nidre	Yom Kippur Yizkor

October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 Office Closed	6 Office Closed	7
			Erev Sukkot	Sukkot	Sukkot	Seudat Shlishit Shabbat Sukkot
8	9 Men's Shelter	10	11	12 Office Closed	13 Office Closed	14
East Side Sukkah Hop Men's Shelter	West Side Sukkah Hop	Board of Directors		Shemini Atzeret Yizkor Erev Simchat Torah	Simchat Torah	Bereshit
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Yom Rishon					Rosh Chodesh	Noach
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
						Lech Lecha
29	30	31				

Yahrzeits

6 Heshvan / October 26

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

7 Heshvan / October 27

Dora Gross
Chaim Katsnelson
Arthur Sweet
Max Weinstein

8 Heshvan / October 28

Helene Goldman
Dora Kapetovske
Herman Kaufman
Patricia Lohr Haas
Herman Mintz
Sam Nager
Rose Passon
Beatrice Rosenthal

9 Heshvan / October 29

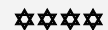
Sol Kaplan
Morris Kliebard
Stanley Langer
Lillian Levin

10 Heshvan / October 30

Sydney Bernard

11 Heshvan / October 31

Joseph Frank
Sarah Goldberg
Bella Goldstein



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August ~ September ~ October Schedule

Date	Parshat	Candle Lighting	Shabbat Services
August 4/5	Vaetchanan	Candles 7:56p	Fridays 5:45pm
August 11/12	Eikev	Candles 7:46p	Saturdays 9:30am
August 18/19	Re'eh	Candles 7:36p	
August 25/26	Shoftim	Candles 7:25p	
September 1/2	Ki Teitzei	Candles 7:13p	Weekday Services
September 8/9	Ki Tavo	Candles 7:00p	Sunday mornings 8:15am
September 15/16	Nitzavim-Vayeilech	Candles 6:48p	Monday & Thursday mornings 7:00am
September 22/23	Ha'Azinu	Candles 6:35p	Sunday - Thursday evenings 5:30pm
September 29/30	Yom Kippur	Candles 6:23p	
October 6/7	Sukkot	Candles 6:10p	
October 13/14	Bereshit	Candles 5:58p	
October 20/21	Noach	Candles 5:47p	
October 27/28	Lech-Lecha	Candles 5:37p	

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