



# The Beth Israel Centerite

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## **Upcoming Programs & Events**

#### Shabbat Dinner Honoring New Members ~ Friday, February 19

Come meet and honor the newest members of Beth Israel Center. The evening begins with happy hour at 5:00, followed by our song-filled services at 5:45. Then enjoy a delicious kosher dinner, catered by Adamah. The cost for dinner, which includes dessert, coffee/tea, and wine, is \$22/adult (age 13+), \$15/child (ages 4-12), and \$5 per toddler under 4 eating from their own plate. Contact the office to **RSVP by Feb. 12.** 

**Torah & Mindfulness Mini-Retreat** ~ **Saturday, February 20, 2:00-5:00pm** Come for guided and unguided meditation, chanting, and teachings based on the week's parsha and selected t'filot (prayers). The theme of this mini-retreat will be Discovering Holiness. All are welcome.

#### Board Game Shabbat ~ Saturday, February 27

After lunch, we'll bring out the board games, puzzles and cards and play all afternoon. Feel free to drop off a favorite Shabbat-appropriate game earlier in the week. Shabbat-appropriate games do not involve writing, timers, or electronics. Scorekeeping is allowed. We'll teach you how! Kosher snacks and beverages to share are also welcome.

#### Kolot Kehilla ~ Sunday, February 28, 9:30-11:00am

Our Sunday morning speaker series featuring the voices of our community (*kolot kehilla*) continues with Kathy Miner on "Lake Forest: Madison's 'Lost City." One hundred years ago, developers planned an elegant, ambitious subdivision between Fish Hatchery Road and the shores of Lake Wingra. It failed—spectacularly—and the land became part of the University Arboretum. Come and learn about this fascinating chapter in our city's history. Kathy Miner has been a UW Arboretum naturalist and tour guide since 1999. Please consider a \$5 donation to support this program.

#### Shabbat Potluck Dinner ~ Friday, March 11

Welcome Shabbat with friends at BIC. The evening begins with happy hour at 5:00, followed by services at 5:45, and dinner after services. Please bring potluck contributions before services begin. Cooking at home? Use kosher ingredients. Bringing something storebought? It needs a hecksher. Kashrut policy details are online.

#### Be Happy! Adar is Coming!

Community Purim Carnival ~ Sunday morning, March 20 9:30-11:30 at Temple Beth El, 2702 Arbor Drive

Festive Megilla Reading @ Beth Israel Center 7:30pm Wednesday evening, March 23

Megilla Reading & Children's Program Thursday, March 24

Megilla reading at 7am, Children's program including lunch.

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Next Centerite Deadline: **April 6, 2016** 



## Thoughts from the Rabbi...

#### Torah is T'rufa

One spring break from college, I went down to Florida to visit my grandma Lena only a couple of years after my grandfather had died. Living in West Palm Beach, she became enmeshed in a number



of programs for seniors. Many included lunch. One evening during my stay, I asked her what she wanted to do about dinner. She replied that she wasn't that hungry and told me to wait a

minute as she went to the refrigerator. She pulled out a chicken leg and presented it to me for dinner. She had only eaten half of her lunch at the JCC and had saved this piece for later.

Born in 1911, she came of age and was a young adult during the Great Depression—an experience that shaped the rest of her life. Her future was dramatically changed, she had to leave the University of Wisconsin because she lost her job as a housekeeper for one of the rabbis in town. Then back at home life was hard. Each day not knowing if they would have enough food, or would be able to pay enough of their bills to keep a roof over their heads. This fear stayed with her for the rest of her life.

She coped, she became a very thrifty person, incredibly generous with what she had, yet very, very thrifty. Carrying with

her a lifelong angst of someone who went through a time of serious poverty, she did not spend money that she did not have to. And she had a discipline, a practice, that helped her in this endeavor. She kept a notebook in the kitchen where she recorded every penny that she spent. \$2.45 for ice-cream at the mall, it went in the book.

It was a practice that at the time I did not understand and now it makes perfect sense. She had a deep anxiety about the vicissitudes that the world can experience—especially the financial ones. She controlled what she could control, her own spending, and kept it in check through personal discipline.

My grandma's practice stands as an example of the ways that a spiritual discipline can help us answer the worries and anxieties we carry with us. The mitzvot of Judaism offer us a multitude of ways to find solace from the vicissitudes of life. Each of us has different needs. Find the *t'rufa*, the medicine you need in the fabric of our ancient and vibrant tradition. I would welcome the opportunity to help you find something that speaks to you, or perhaps you'll find it at a Shabbat service some time soon, our winter Torah & Mindfulness Mini Retreat on Saturday afternoon, February 20, or at a Passover Seder this year.

Shalom,

Rabbi Joshua W. Ben-Gideon rabbi@bethisraelcenter.org

#### **TORAH & MINDFULNESS PROGRAM UPDATES**

The program of mindfulness meditation infused with Jewish text study that we began a year ago with Rabbi Jordan Bendat-Appell has continued thanks to the commitment of its participants -- Matt Banks in particular.

At this time, the program is meeting on select Thursday evenings (7:00) and Saturday afternoons (1:30). Here is the schedule for the next few weeks: Thursdays, Feb. 4, 11 and 25; Saturday, March 5; Thursday, March 10; Saturday, March 19.

Our Winter Mini-Retreat will be Saturday, February 20, 2:00-5:00. Its theme is Discovering Holiness.

Please contact Matt at mibanks@tds.net or contact the office and subscribe to the Torah & Mindfulness e-mail list for more information.



## President's Column

#### Show of Support

Since the time of my last column, my family has experienced the intimate support of the Beth Israel Center community. The underlying events were on opposite ends of the emotional spectrum. My father-in-law passed away in October and our oldest child became a Bat Mitzvah in December. In both instances, we felt our community.

Our experience with the loss of a loved one was not unusual. There is never a convenient time to grieve, and that was certainly true for our family. Our house was torn up for some overdue plaster repair, we were preparing for the bat mitzvah and continuing the daily grind of school and work. A natural desire is to hide in a dark corner and lick one's wounds. The shiva tradition recognizes this and our congregation implements it. With Rabbi Ben-Gideon's encouragement and support, kaddish on the first night was in the small sanctuary. Quiet support was on full display as people made a special effort to attend. The warmth of this community glowed as our congregants gently asked Jessie to tell them about her father. At this moment, we began the transition from being overcome by grief to grieving. By Sunday the paint had dried and we were able to open our house for a traditional day of shiva. As we often do, the Beth Israel community showed up in full force. My sister-in-law's reaction summed it up, "It is amazing that you have this kind of community."

Our experience with preparing for a Bat Mitzvah also was not unusual. By the time we were done with invitations, waiting for RSVP's, working out details with the caterer and choosing table cloths, a Monday morning service with bagels and orange juice was a tempting alternative. Any internal grousing about planning was completely eradicated when we followed our daughter in the Torah procession. The broad smiles and enthusiastic "mazel tovs" impressed upon us that we were not just bringing a simcha to Beth Israel Center, our congregation was making the simcha for us.

There was another common thread, beside raw emotion, which ran through both life cycle experiences. Through grief and joy, we received cards from Beth Israel Center notifying us that donations were

made on our behalf. In either instance, our reaction was the same—"look who sent us a card." It was tremendously uplifting to read the mail each evening and be reminded that people care about us. I was reminded that the simple greature of



the simple gesture of

sending a card can have a profound impact.

I will confess that historically I have meant to send cards, but rarely did. For reasons of distraction, disorganization or something else, getting to Walgreens, addressing an envelope and finding a stamp proved to be barriers against my good intentions. I have learned that a simple donation to Beth Israel Center is a barrier free way to ensure the card I mean to send actually gets sent.

It is no secret that these cards are the result of donations to Beth Israel Center. Our organization relies on donations to deliver programs and services without raising dues, and we are actively trying to promote these opportunities. We are updating our website and the emails we send about life-cycle announcements to make it easier for those of us who want to make a donation and send a card to do so. For example, there is now an "In Memoriam" button in our condolence emails so donors can provide the necessary information.

This type of donation is not simply a fundraiser or a mechanism to send a card. It is a genuine gesture of support for both the recipient and the shul. On behalf of both Beth Israel Center and my family, thank you for your support.

Jordy Loeb

president@bethisraelcenter.org

#### **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

Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday** 9am to 5pm

> **Friday** 9am to Noon

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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.

#### Simchas & Announcements

#### MAZAL TOV to...

Richard and Ellen Jacobson on the birth of their granddaughter Laila Beatriz Leiberman in November

Leila Loeb and family on her becoming a Bat Mitzvah in December

Mia Kurzer and family on her becoming a Bat Mitzvah in December

Rayla Temin on the marriage of her daughter Sarah Beth Temin to Jonathan Rothenberg in December

Marci and Neil Katz and Adam and Cass on the birth of grandson/son Israel Zamir Katz in December

Angie and Ami Paul on the birth of their daughter Rosalie Batya Paul in January

Mirra Blehert and family on her becoming a Bat Mitzvah in January

## From the Executive Director's Desk

#### 2016 - The Year of our Next Photobook!

Ten years ago, we produced our first congregational photobook. Five years



later, in 2011, we produced another one. It's now time to produce a third one, as members have come and gone, and children photographed

five years ago are barely recognizable.

A congregational photobook is a wonderful way to help us all put names with the faces we see in shul and around the community.

To be photographed for the 2016 BIC photobook, please schedule an appointment at Beth Israel Center on **March 6 or 7 or April 3 or 4.** Look for the portrait sign-up link on our website or call the office and Cheri or I will help you. If our March and April dates will not work for you, please call 866-756-0281 and a Lifetouch

representative will help you find another synagogue or a church that will better fit your schedule. (Our family went to a nearby church in January so that we could include our college-age son in our portrait while he was home for winter break. It's easy!)

Each member who sits for a portrait will receive a free book.

If you cannot sit for a Lifetouch photographer this year, there is an option to submit a photo for a \$10 fee, which also entitles you to a book.

If you still need an incentive, note that we receive a number of extra books based on the number of members who participate. Each new member receives a photobook as part of their welcome packets, while supplies last. The more of you we have in our book, the longer the supplies will last!

Don't be left out! Sign up today.

Elissa Pollack

elissa@bethisraelcenter.org

#### **Loving Kindness**

A delivered meal in times of need -- whether the need is medical, mourning, or welcoming a new baby -- can mean a lot. At Beth Israel Center, we have an email-based system for coordinating congregational support in the form of delivered meals. If you know someone who could benefit from delivered meals, please contact the Membership Committee (membership@bethisraelcenter.org) or the office.

#### 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:

- 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!

**Got Time?** Volunteers do many things at our synagogue. In addition to many regular things (see page 9), we have a running list of random needs. If you'd like to contribute some time to Beth Israel Center, please contact Elissa, Deborah or Cheri at (608) 256-7763 or via email: office@bethisraelcenter.org. Thanks in advance!



## From the Education Director's Desk

#### NEW Israel Semester Scholarship for High Schoolers

Anecdotal and research-based evidence tells us that peer-group Israel trips are formative and significant in ensuring a Jewish future—that a specific individual remains an active, engaged and vital part of an organized Jewish community after having an organized experience in Israel. Funders throughout the Jewish world have seized upon this research and created programs to safeguard Jewish continuity—most notably the Taglit-Birthright Israel phenomenon, which sends college students to Israel. These "life-changing" experiences connect young adults to their Jewish heritage and Israeli peers as well as to the land of Israel past and present.

But what if we could start earlier? What if we could build upon the foundation of Ahavat Yisrael the love of the רמה ישראל Ramah Israel

TRY - Tichon Ramah Yerushalayim

land, the people and the culture of Israel-- that we give our children through their earliest Jewish educational experiences here in Madison? What could happen if we focused on bringing emerging adults -- teenagers -- to Israel? How could this change the face of our community as well as the worldwide Jewish community? Asking these same questions, the Temkin family has generously offered to sponsor an annual \$2500 scholarship for a high school student to use toward a high school semester in Israel on the Tichon Ramah Yerushalayim (TRY) program. This four-month, fully accredited program combines the best of schools, camps and youth groups to provide a unique experience based in Jerusalem. Its relationship and association with the Conservative/Masorti movement makes it a good choice and a good partner for our community.

TRY is a semester of study at Tichon Ramah Yerushalayim, the Ramah

Jerusalem High School, a fully accredited international secondary school program. TRY offers 10th, 11th, and 12th graders the opportunity to live and learn in the land of Israel. For just



over four months, TRYers experience every facet of the country while keeping up with their high school studies. TRY

> students hike up Masada and down the Ramon Crater, bike through the desert and barbecue on the beach. They volunteer in community

service projects, learn Hebrew intensively and undergo simulated army basic training. They participate in daily prayer and experience different synagogues each Shabbat in Jerusalem. They visit with friends and family, keep up a regular school schedule and spend a span of the Jewish calendar in a new and different atmosphere.

We encourage all families with middle and high school students to attend our kick-off event for the Temkin TRY scholarship. Please join us for dinner on Sunday evening April 3 at Beth Israel Center. This program will be best suited for families with students in grades 8-11; all are welcome to come and learn.

Beth Cohn Copelovitch education@bethisraelcenter.org

#### 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 themebased 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 the remaining 2016 dates on your calendar:

February 21

March 13

April 10

May 1

10:00-11:15am

Come to some or all!

Bring friends!

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Hold the date for the Spring Shabbaton:

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Kibbud Limudim
Honoring our
Community of Learners

May 13-14, 2016

#### **TODAH RABBAH!**

Sponsoring Shabbat Kiddush is a lovely way to honor special occasions and special people.

There are many ways to contribute to our weekly Shabbat Kiddush. If you are interested in making a financial contribution, there are two main options. You may sponsor an entire Kiddush or make a donation in any amount to the Martin and Serene Mazor Kiddush Fund.

## Many thanks to these recent Kiddush sponsors:

November 28 – Jill and Bill Boissonnault to honor the BIC community and bid farewell

December 5 – Jessie and Jordy Loeb on the occasion of their daughter Leila's Bat Mitzvah

December 12 – Bobbie and Steve Jellinek to celebrate their new membership and new friends at BIC

December 19 – Robin Kurzer on the occasion of her daughter Mia's Bat Mitzvah

January 16 – Regina Vidaver and David Blehert on the occasion of their daughter Mirra's Bat Mitzvah



## Meet Your Leadership

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 wellbeing. You should know who is governing your synagogue, so we are introducing a few Board members in each issue of the Centerite.



#### Fran Schrag Member At-Large

When did you join the congregation and why? 1975, because our daughters needed to begin their Jewish education.

Tell us a little bit about yourself.

Sally and I and Indie (our black labradoodle) live around the corner from Trader Joe's. I'm there at least once a day. We have a daughter in Brooklyn, and a daughter in Atlanta. The former

has two daughters who go to public school in New York City. My brothers and I own a summer home in Maine, where we spend most of our summers. Until my retirement I held a joint appointment in the Departments of Educational Studies and Philosophy at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. I taught a variety of courses and published books and articles on a diverse set of topics. Probably my best known work concerns the status of children in democratic theory. In addition to continuing to be a scholar, I've always enjoyed doing a variety of things: Currently I tutor at Randall Elementary School, help build homes for Habitat for Humanity, take classes in glass art, participate in a couple of book groups and sing with Madison Yiddish Choir.

What is your favorite thing to do at BIC? Kabbalat Shabbat in the Small Sanctuary.

What are some of your other BIC activities?

I was on the Board decades ago, have volunteered and was in charge of organizing volunteers for the homeless shelter decades ago. Currently, I occasionally lead Torah service and am preparing to lead Musaf service.

*In your mind, what exemplifies BIC?* 

The genuine pride felt and expressed by the entire congregation (not just the family) when a Bar or Bat Mitzvah performs well—as they generally do.

Name one thing that may surprise people about you. My first language was French.



#### Natalie Borenstein Member At-Large

When did you join the congregation and why?

In April or May of 1955, five to six weeks after returning from our honeymoon, the membership chairman appeared at dinner time with our membership application papers all filled out including our membership pledge. In order to continue our dinner we had to sign. There was never any doubt about our choice since the senior members of the family had been members for years.

Tell us a little bit about yourself.

I read, play bridge and mah jongg, go to the symphony and theater and have attended every Badger football game since the late 1960's. I am now retired after working at the University of Wisconsin-Madison for 33 years as a research specialist and lab manager for the departments of genetics and oncology. This is my second time on the board, the first being in the late 1960s-1970s. My goal each time has been that each of our congregants be served well.

What have you done at BIC over the years?

You name it and I have done it. With 60 years of membership you can be called upon for many tasks. I think the only committee that did not recruit me was the Ritual Committee, and they were wise in their judgement.

Name one thing that may surprise people about you.

In November 1983, at the last badger football game of the season (Wisconsin vs Iowa) with a sold out stadium, I was the guest conductor for the UW Marching Band during their half time performance. Before you judge me, this was in support of a charity.



Nadav Shelef Member At-Large Talmud Torah Committee

When did you join the congregation and why? We joined Beth Israel Center when we moved to Madison in 2006. We were new in town and had a new baby. Miriam was an intern at the time and working crazy hours. BIC provided a place for the baby and I to go when we needed to go outside during our first Wisconsin winter.

*Tell us a little bit about yourself.* 

My wife, Miriam, and our two boys - Aharon and Raphael - live on the near west side. I am an Associate Professor of Political Science and the Meyerhoff Professor of Modern Israel Studies at the University of Wisconsin. Beyond Israel and the wider Middle East, I am currently working on a project exploring the ways in which groups redefine the extent of their homeland.

Tell us a story that exemplifies BIC for you.

We had a baby very soon after moving to Madison. Despite only knowing a handful of people, the BIC kindness committee sprang into action and we were inundated with food and help. In fact, we barely had to cook at all during that first very difficult month. The openness and welcoming character of the BIC community is a big part of why we are members.

When you were asked to join the Board, did you say "yes" right away? I declined the first time I was asked to join the Board of Directors because I could not devote the time I felt it would take. Once our lives settled down a bit and the kids became a little older, I agreed to join. I think that, at some point, we should all contribute to our community and it was my turn to do so.

Name one thing that may surprise people about you.

Even after living in Wisconsin for nearly a decade, I have yet to learn how to ice skate.

NEW VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:

#### Emerson School Special Interest Clubs on Fridays

Do you have a special interest or skill that you would enjoy sharing with a small group of interested children? Could you be free for a couple of hours on six Friday afternoons this spring? If so, the Emerson Elementary School Interest Clubs would like to meet you!

Current clubs include knitting, art, science, dance, music, yoga, games, computers, bugs, building, gardening, math, yearbook, weaving, legos, running and more!

Clubs meet on Friday afternoons, 1:30-2:15. The six dates for second semester are February 19 and 26, March 4 and 11, April 1 and 8.

Each club has 10-12 students and is led by an Emerson staff member and a community volunteer. Students work as a team to develop a community service project related to their club. The Interest Clubs are made possible through a grant from United Way of Dane County.

If you would like to help with an interest club, please contact the school office 204-2000.

This is a project of the Jewish Congregations for Social Justice, a coalition of the social action committees of Beth Israel Center, Temple Beth El, and Congregation Shaarei Shamayim.

# UPCOMING MOUSY EVENTS

Sunday, January 31 Super Top Secret 8th Grade Welcome Kidnap Breakfast

Friday, February 12 Shabbat Schmooze chez Ellie and Maya Becker

Saturday, February 27 *MOUSY Murder Mystery* 

Saturday, April 9 MOUSY Makes A Meal

Sunday, May 29 *MOUSY Elections* 

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#### Observe Shabbat! Take your Standardized Tests on Sunday!

#### SAT & Subject Test Dates:

March 6, 2016 May 8, 2016 June 5, 2016

SAT registration info: 866-756-7346.

#### **ACT Test Dates:**

April 10, 2016 June 19, 2016

ACT Registration info: 319-337-1270.

# By Word of Mouse

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

On Friday night, November 20, a minyan of mice gathered for our favorite *Shabbat Schmooze* event. After a taste of Kabbalat Shabbat davening, we indulged in a sumptuous smorgasbord dinner with the gracious host family of Albert Shoshany Glosser, Lisa Shoshany Anderson, Gila Shoshany, and Stuart Glosser. We ate aplenty, delighted in each other's company aplenty, schmoozed aplenty, and enjoyed an enchanting snowfall under the backyard gazebo. Kol HaKavod to Miriam Syvertsen and Talia Ivry for leading a Limud and discussion that took the meeting and interaction of Jacob with Rachel and Leah in Parshat Vayetze as the stimulus to examine the role and image of contemporary women in society.

MOUSY hopes your festival of lights was joyous, and that you enjoyed your arty, *Made in Israel Chanukah candles*. We appreciate your generous support which enables us to continue our fabulous programming, Tikun Olam efforts, and subsidies for local



and regional events. Rav todot! Kudos to Lena and Vered Ben-Gideon, Talia Ivry, and Moira and Rhiannon Wilson for representing MOUSY and Kadima at the No Sew Fleece Blankets-making booth at the Jewish Federation Hanukkah Mitzvahthon on Sunday afternoon, December 6 at the Goodman campus.

On Saturday night, December 12,

nine mice got warm and fuzzy while making 18 no-sew fleece blankets for donation to the American Family Children's Hospital (AFCH) while we grooved to tunes and noshed on snacks in the MOUSY Lounge. Special thanks to fabric shoppers Moira Wilson and Deborah Blank, as well as chairpersons Hannah Ehrlich and Max Lerner.

Like sands through the hourglass, MOUSY semesters change and young mouselets turn into full-fledged mice, as the first two *8th Grade Welcome* kickoff programs embrace our middle-school newcomers. Stay tuned for an update on how our mighty MOUSY board officers inducted—or is it abducted—the 8th graders into the ranks of MOUSY at the end of January.

#### \*\*\***KADIMA**\*\*\*

On Saturday night, November 21, ten Kadima teenagers soared, performed acrobatics, jumped from trampolines to a giant airbag, dove into a pit of soft foam

cubes, played trampoline dodgeball, rock-climbed high walls, jousted on the X-beam, and did flips and somersaults at Rockin' Jump.

Keep a lookout for details about more good times with our Kadima Overnight, State Street Chillout, and Bowling Bash!



Vered, Maya, Lena, Gaby, Rowan, Sophie, Lily, Benno, and Rhiannon (not pictured, Eliya) share a grounded moment at Rockin' Jump



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, Brent Bach, David Baum, Kristen Bernard, Avi Bernard-Donals, Hannah Bernard-Donals, Marsha Cohen, Rick Ezell, Joshua Gabai, Patricia Green-Sotos, Roz Gusinow, Jen Hadley, Billie Hellerstein, Becky Holmes, Kathi Johnson Rock, Sarah Kessler, Steve Kessler, Kazu Kitano, Judith Kornblatt, Renee Lauber, Jessie Loeb, Arlene Lukin, Elana Matthews, Adam Mednick, Laurie Nagus, Tziporah Quick, Kris Rasmussen, Nancy Resnick, Michael Rock, Fran Schrag, Sally Schrag, Karen Shevet Dinah, Regina Vidaver, Jim Wear, Ziva Wear, Paul Wilson, Rhiannon Wilson

**Shabbat Greeters:** Cherie Mandel & Ron Diamond, Anna Heifetz, Cynthia Hirsch, David Hoffert, Laurie Nagus, Jonathan Pollack, Mike Pressman, Barry Rich, Sally Schrag

**The Road Home Buddies:** Donna Anderson, Marsha Cohen, Steve Goldstein, Steve Kessler, Kazu Kitano, Judy Pierotti, Mike Pressman, Kris Rasmussen, David Resnick

Hanukkah Party: Miryam Bernard-Donals, Marsha Cohen, Esther Criscuola deLaix, Cherie Mandel Diamond, Nikki Dolin, Matthew Edes-Pierotti, Joel Ehrlich, Jane Fox, Michael Fox, Roz Gusinow, Ethan Jewett, Kazu Kitano, KC Lerner, Saul Mandel, Adam Mednick, Aphra Mednick, Kathy Miner, Judy Pierotti, Jon Pollack, Mike Pressman, Jonathan Rosenblum, Nate Rudin, Fran Schrag, Sally Schrag, Lisa Shoshany Anderson, Ziva Wear

Shabbaton Seudat Shlishit: Roz Gusinow, Judith Zukerman Kaufman

**Laundry Angels:** Donna Anderson, Hannah Bernard-Donals, Kazu Kitano, Laurie Nagus, Karen Shevet Dinah, Anna Syvertsen

**Shabbat Morning Program Aides:** Bart Miller, Eliya Syvertsen, Miriam Syvertsen, Moira Wilson



## Social Action

### 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. Beth Israel Center members and others from around the Jewish community serve as Math Mentors, volunteer at Tuesday Night Lights, help with Special Interest Clubs (see page 7) and lend other support as needs are identified.

JCSJ will take the lead on these Tuesday Night Lights programs:

- \* Math Game Night ~ February 23
- \* Science Night ~ April 19
- \* Multicultural Night ~ May 3

For more information, send email to jcsjmadison@gmail.com, visit www.jewishcongregationsforsocialjustice.org, or visit JCSJ's new Facebook page.

# SOCIAL ACTION OPPORTUNITIES:

#### Serve Food at the Men's Shelter

Beth Israel members have been serving meals at the Emergency Shelter for Men in downtown Madison for more than ten years. Beth Israel 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.

#### 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.

#### 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. Note the dates and sign up online -- on our website or the church's. Call the office if you need help signing up.

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#### **BOOK DEDICATIONS**

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

While the new siddurim we recently purchased have all been dedicated in advance, we still have opportunities to dedicate Etz Hayim humashaim, weekday prayerbooks, and our high holiday prayerbooks, Mahzor Lev Shalem.

To dedicate one or more of these sacred books, use the form on our website or contact the office and tell us how many books you'd like to dedicate and in whose honor or memory.

The minimum donation for each book is:

Weekday siddur \$37

Etz Hayim humash \$72

Mahzor Lev Shalem \$54

Next time you're in shul, look in the inside front cover of the book at your seat. Maybe it'll be a book dedicated by or to someone you know....



## Siddur Lev Shalem Update

In November, we launched an effort to fund the purchase of *Siddur Lev Shalem*, the new Shabbat and Festivals prayerbook soon to be produced by the Rabbinical Assembly of the Conservative Movement. Thanks to the donors listed on these pages, along with many who asked to remain anonymous, we made the deadline to get our order in at the pre-publication discounted price. More significantly, all 300 of our new prayerbooks have been dedicated! Thank you to everyone who made this important step in the history of our congregation possible. Thanks especially to our lead donors for the *Siddur Lev Shalem* mini-campaign: Howard Bregman and Heidi Allen-Bregman, and Michael Rock and Kathi Johnson Rock.

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#### 25 Shevat / February 4

Edward Ben Elson Millicent Dachman Kate Klong Bob Lerner Ci Stein

#### 26 Shevat / February 5

Harry Bleiweiss Belle Richman Dollie Schuckit Eliezer Wein Howard Yaskal

#### 27 Shevat / February 6

Hyman Daniels
William Hawkins
Phil Kapell
David Mazur
Esther Pover
Rubin Schwartzstein
Jacob Yaskal

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M.A. Bradkofsky Hannah Cohen Anne Layton Joseph Sweet

#### 29 Shevat / February 8

Murray Rodman Helena Siroky Louis Sweet Howard Temin

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#### 30 Shevat / February 9

Fania Heifetz Anita Kapell Rose Machlis Leo Rasmussen Bess Smith

#### 1 Adar I / February 10

Louis Battalen Lena Daniels Pauline Quick Janet Weinshel

#### 2 Adar I / February 11

Rachel Deprey Lena Goldberg Zelig Heifetz Malcolm Mintz Frank Onikul Sam Slabodnik Martin Stein

#### 3 Adar I / February 12

Sandra Evans Max Latinsky Morris Levin

#### 4 Adar I / February 13

Harold Goldberg
Miril Heifetz
Mollie Kaplan
Gertrude Recht Stein
Sara Schwartz
Ruth Wolfson

#### 5 Adar I / February 14

Max Shapiro Shirley Swack

#### 6 Adar I / February 15

Joseph Levy Sam Shapiro Alvin Shovers

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Jennie Chortek Samuel Sinaiko

#### 12 Adar I / February 21

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#### 14 Adar I / February 23

Abe Mintz Rose Onikul Victor Rosenblum George Skloot Elizabeth Sweet Sam Webne

#### 15 Adar I / February 24

Rachel Brodsky Mikhail Pishchiker

#### 16 Adar I / February 25

Mary Nathenson

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Rose Frank Ida Gould Roberta Jacoby Evelyn Minkoff

#### 18 Adar I / February 27

Paula Grzyb Hyman Paley Aaron Scher

#### 19 Adar I / February 28

Jacob Becker Lloyd Borenstein Ira Katch

#### 20 Adar I / February 29

Hyman Ansell Jerrold Gross Dorah Karp Arthur Mead Tessie Stein

#### 21 Adar I / March 1

Nathan Cohen Sylvia Feingold Marshall Fields

#### 22 Adar I / March 2

Frumeh Bloom Heather Joseph Rochelle Kianovsky Gertrude Rodman William Stein

#### 23 Adar I / March 3

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Harry Karas Moshe Paley Kitty Schorr Jean Wein

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Leahbelle Bercey

3 Adar II / March 13

Etya Fastovsky Sara Frank

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Henry Gutmann

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**Efraim Picus** 

10 Adar II / March 20

Ellen Shoshany Kaim

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## 11 Adar II / March 21

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#### 12 Adar II / March 22

Sidney Goldman Henri Hanau Lillian Weber

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#### 3 Nisan / April 11

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Chaim Dubrovitz Naomi Epstein Roslyn Kopelberg Caroline Sulman

#### 4 Nisan / April 12

Chaim Dubrow Donald Goren Aaron Seidner

#### 5 Nisan / April 13

Samuel Ottenstein David Rubin Morris Stein Isaac Stein

#### 6 Nisan / April 14

Jack Goldberg Adele Hirsch Carol Kean Herbert Nathenson Leah Segal Emanuel Weinstein

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Jack Dachman Peter Deutsch Kathryn Grossman Leo Hill

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Selma Becker Shlomo Dworetzky Sarah Kulakowsky

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				Torah & Mindfulness		Mishpatim
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Melton					Shabbat Dinner Honoring New Members	Torah & Mindfulness Mini-Retreat
21 Melton	22	23	24	25	26	27 Board Game Shabbat
Yom Rishon				Torah & Mindfulness		MOUSY Program Ki Tisa
28	29					
Melton Kolot Kehilla						

## March 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
						Torah & Mindfulness Vayakhel Shabbat Shekalim
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Melton Photo Day	Photo Day			Torah & Mindfulness	Potluck Dinner	
		Board of Directors		Rosh Chodesh	Rosh Chodesh	Pekude
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Melton Yom Rishon						Torah & Mindfulness <i>Vayikra</i> Shabbat Zachor
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Community Purim Carnival @ TBE 9:30-11:00am				Megilla Reading 7:00am		No SMP
(No TT)		No TT	Megilla Reading 7:30pm	Children's Program (No TT) Purim	Shushan Purim	Tzav
27	28	29	30	31		
No TT						

## April 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
						Shemini Shabbat Parah
3 Melton	4	5	6	7	8	9
Kolot Kehillah Photo Day TRY dinner	Photo Day					MOUSY Program Tazria Rosh Chodesh Shabbat Hachodesh
10 Melton	11	12	13	14	15	16
Yom Rishon		Board of Directors				Metzora Shabbat Hagadol
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Melton					Siyyum	No SMP
					Passover Begins	Passover
24	25	26	27	28	29 Office Closed	30 No SMP
No TT		No TT		No TT	D	
Passover					Passover	Passover Yizkor

#### **Yahrzeits**

19 Nisan / April 27 Eva Dizon Molly Goldstein Hermina Kneller Catherine Odette Jacob Popkewitz William Sinaiko Jacob Sinaiko David Slafer

20 Nisan / April 28 Jeanne Siegel Ellen Wolman

21 Nisan / April 29 Lillian Greenberg Elliott Karasov Jack Schvid

22 Nisan / April 30
Paulina Bloom
Ezra Frank
Isaac Pover
Lilo Rosenmeyer
Martin Siroky

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Beth Israel Center maintains a database of Yahrzeit observances for its members. The people listed on the sides of these pages are those being remembered by people in our community.

The dates listed are the anniversaries of their deaths on the Hebrew calendar, with the corresponding date on the secular calendar for the current year.

Our database is only as accurate as the information provided by our members.

If you have any questions about or additions to our Yahrzeit list, please contact the office at (608) 256-7763 or office@bethisraelcenter.org.

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## February ~ March ~ April Schedule

Date	Parshat	Candle Lighting	Shabbat Services
February 5/6	Mishpatim	Candles 4:57p	Fridays
February 12/13	Terumah	Candles 5:06p	5:45pm
February 19/20	Tetzaveh	Candles 5:16p	Saturdays
February 26/27	Ki Tisa	Candles 5:25p	9:30am 
March 4/5	Vayakhel	Candles 5:33p	Weekday Services
March 11/12	Pekudei	Candles 5:42p	Sunday mornings
March 18/19	Vayikra	Candles 6:50p	8:15am
March 25/26	Tzav	Candles 6:58p	Monday & Thursday mornings
April 1/2	Shmini	Candles 7:07p	7:00am
April 8/9	Tazria	Candles 7:15p	Sunday - Thursday evenings 5:30pm
April 15/16	Metzora	Candles 7:23p	
April 22/23	Pesach	Candles 7:31p	Please call ahead to
April 28/29	Pesach	Candles 7:38p	ensure a minyan.
April 29/30	Pesach	Candles 7:39p	Other morning services may be organized by request.