

# Kol Beth El

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## Mission Statement

We are a congregation of families and individuals who come together to pray, to study, and to create a warm and welcoming community. We seek to preserve and enhance our People's traditions within the context of Conservative Judaism. We aspire to strengthen our Jewish identity to meet the challenges of a changing environment. We endeavor to provide resources to help us relate to God, understand the ways of God and enrich the Jewish content of our lives. We encourage our members to serve worthwhile causes within our Congregation and the wider Jewish and world communities. We are committed to support Israel. We educate our children so they commit to the cultural, spiritual, and ethical values of our People.

For more information, Calendar of Events, Rabbis' sermons, and for Emergency School Closings be sure to check our website at [www.nssbethel.org](http://www.nssbethel.org) or call 847-432-8900.

## From the Desk of Rabbi Kurtz »



## Between Purim and Pesach

When you receive this bulletin we will be preparing for two upcoming holidays on the Jewish calendar – Purim and Pesach. I'd like to concentrate on the recitation of Hallel on these holidays for I think it teaches us important lessons about the holidays themselves and the values of Judaism.

As most of you know we do not recite Hallel on Purim. The source for this emanates from the Babylonian Talmud tractate Megillah 14a: Why do we not recite Hallel on Purim? There are a number of responses including that we do not do so because Hallel is not said for a miracle which occurred outside of the land of Israel... "Rav Nachman said: The reading of the Megillah is equivalent to Hallel. Rava said: There is good reason to recite Hallel on Pesach, as it says in the Hallel, *Sing praises, you servants of the Lord* who are no longer servants of Pharaoh. Can we say in this case, *Sing praises, you servants of the Lord* and not servants of Ahasuerus? We are still servants of Ahasuerus."

According to Rav Nachman, there is an inherent requirement to recite Hallel on Purim, but the reading of the Megillah tells the story and sings the praises of the victory against Haman and those who threatened to exterminate the Jewish people. Thus, the obligations are fulfilled by the reading of the Megillah. Rava, on the other hand, is of the opinion that there is no obligation to recite Hallel on Purim, because the story in the Megillah begins with the Jews in exile and subservient to Ahasuerus, and ends with the Jews in exile, subservient to Ahasuerus. In this sense, according to Rava, Hallel is inappropriate.

Purim is the holiday of the diaspora. We have lived in tenuous situations over the centuries dependent upon the majority culture and its authorities. Too often, we have been subjected to persecution, exile and discrimination and, therefore, we are extremely careful when we notice that a certain authority may be kind to us because things may change rather quickly. Hallel as Psalms of praise, according to Rava, can only be recited when Jews are totally free, as they were after leaving the bondage of Egypt and when they lived in their own land. Living in exile under a volatile ruler is not full freedom. However, we were saved and we need to remember that salvation. Thus, the Megillah, according to Rav Nachman, takes the place of Hallel. By telling the story we recognize the responsibilities to protect ourselves just as Mordecai and Esther did in ancient times. We can be thankful for their Jewish leadership and the Purim story.

Pesach, on the other hand, celebrates our liberation from the slavery and bondage from Egypt. Therefore, we recite Hallel not only in our services, but even at our Seder. However, there are special customs having to do with the Hallel of Pesach as well. The first two days of Pesach we recite what is known as the complete Hallel. However, the rest of the holiday we recite an abbreviated  
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Between Purim and Pesach *(continued from page 1)*

Hallel known as the half Hallel. One of the reasons is found in the Babylonian Talmud, tractate Megillah 10b. The Talmudic section describes the fact that G-d does not rejoice in the downfall of the wicked: "Rabbi Yohanan said: The ministering angels wanted to chant their hymns, but the Holy One, blessed be He, said, The work of my hands is being drowned into the sea, and shall you chant hymns?" In other words, G-d prevented the angels from singing a full Hallel because the Egyptians, who were also the handiwork of G-d, were drowning in the sea. It would be inappropriate for G-d to rejoice in the fall of the wicked and, therefore, we are to be sensitive to it as well, since our salvation, to a large extent, was based upon the drowning of the Egyptians in the Reed Sea. Therefore, according to this view, we can't be totally joyous on the holiday when others were injured or killed in order for us to gain our freedom.

This particular Hallel teaches us that we must be sensitive not only to our own victories, but to the downfall of others.

Each person is made in the image of G-d and, thus, we have a responsibility to enhance life and not destroy it, if at all possible. While we can be joyous in our own salvation and redemption, we must be cautious in that joy.

These two concepts of why we do not recite Hallel on Purim and why we recite only half Hallel on the final six days of Pesach teach us important lessons about ensuring the safety and security of the Jewish people not only in Israel but throughout the globe, and at the same time, about enhancing human life rather than destroying it, even when it comes to the protection of our own people.

As we listen to the Megillah on Purim and rejoice in the salvation of the Jews in Persia, and as we recite Hallel both at the Pesach Seder and during the final six days of the holiday, let us take cognizance of these two lessons that come from our Rabbis in the tractate of the Megillah and which continue to echo in our present day experiences.

# Shabbat Schedule See calendar for times.

## DAILY SERVICE

Monday through Friday  
Mornings, 7:15 am

Sunday through Thursday  
Evenings, 7:30 pm

Sunday and Legal Holiday  
Mornings, 8:45 am

Rosh Hodesh  
Mornings, 7:00 am

### Services are conducted by:

Rabbi Vernon H. Kurtz,  
Rabbi Michael Schwab,  
Hazzan Benjamin A. Tisser

### Every Shabbat

#### 10:45am B'Yachad Family Service

Services for families with  
children 1st grade and younger

#### 11:00am Junior Congregation

Services for students in 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade

## MARCH

### Shabbat, March 5

Birchat HaHodesh  
Shabbat Shekalim  
Parashat Vayakhel  
Torah: Exodus 35:1-38:20;  
30:11-16  
Haftarah: II Kings 12:1-17

### Shabbat, March 12

Parashat Pekudei  
Torah: Exodus 38:21-40:38  
Haftarah: I Kings 7:51-8:21

### Shabbat, March 19

Shabbat Zachor  
Parashat Vayikra  
Torah: Leviticus 1:1-5:26;  
Deuteronomy 25:17-19  
Haftarah: I Samuel 15:2-34

### Shabbat, March 26

Parashat Tzav  
Torah: Leviticus 6:1-8:36  
Haftarah: Jeremiah 7:21-8:3; 9:22, 23

## APRIL

### Shabbat, April 2 Rosh Hodesh Nisan

Birchat HaHodesh  
Shabbat Parah  
Parashat Shemini  
Torah: Leviticus 9:1-11:47;  
Numbers 19:1-22  
Haftarah: Ezekiel 36:16-38

### Shabbat, April 9

Shabbat HaHodesh  
Parashat Tazria  
Torah: Leviticus 12:1-13:59;  
Numbers 28:9-15; Exodus 12:1-20  
Haftarah: Ezekiel 45:16-46:18

### Shabbat, April 16

Shabbat Hagadol  
Parashat Metzora  
Torah: Leviticus 14:1-15:33  
Haftarah: Malachi 3:4-24

### Shabbat, April 23

Pesach 1st Day/2nd Seder

### Shabbat, April 30

Pesach 8th Day/Yizkor

## Greater Than the Sum

It is early February as I write this – the middle of winter. Grey days, cloudy days, short days. But North Suburban Synagogue Beth El is, as the basketball announcers say, “on fire.” From our Hanukkah party attended by over four hundred to the A Capella Concert attended by over seven hundred, to well attended Jeans and Jammies sessions, Torah Fund Classes, movies, to our highly successful Shabbaton programs, to our Tikun Olam programs, to the many synagogue-wide events held each year, we are astonishingly active. Our education programs are vital and reflect the efforts of all of our staff and congregants. We are proud that many of our youngsters attend Jewish Day schools. Our finances are carefully managed by our team of staff and expert lay leaders. Torah portions are predominantly read by congregants including, importantly, our teens. Prayer services (minyanim) occur morning and evening 365 (this year 366) days a year. Our clergy are engaged in all aspects of the totality that is Beth El. Beth El does in fact offer something for everyone.

This article looks at our affiliate organizations and the network of Havurot. Sisterhood is a dynamic group of women who work together to support Beth El. Sisterhood members perform and create hiddur mitzvah opportunities for our community and donate the funds raised back to Beth El's schools, youth groups, Cultural & Learning Center, and social action projects. Sisterhood brings together women of our congregation for social, educational, cultural and religious programs. While maintaining our traditional values, Sisterhood is in the process of crafting a new vision and is looking for new members who will help us meet the challenge of change. Sisterhood's Gift Shop is both a great place to browse and shop and a great place to kibbitz with friends and neighbors. One of Sisterhood's longest running programs is the annual Dinner with Rabbi Kurtz sponsored jointly by Sisterhood and Men's Club. This year's event is Tuesday, April 12 at 6:00pm and offers a wonderful opportunity to engage with Rabbi Kurtz in a less formal setting.

The Men's Club of North Suburban Synagogue Beth El offers programs to enrich the heart, the brain, the body and the quality of Jewish life in the home and community. Some highlights are: Scotch Tasting Night; Steak, Scotch and Cigar Night; Family BBQ; Gourmet Dinner and Wine pairing; and Bowling Night. There are service programs including the annual blood drive, holiday maot chitin food packing and delivery, and Shabbat services at the Lieberman Senior Center. Men's Club fields organized softball and golf teams. One of the best known programs is “Bagels for your Brains” featuring outstanding speakers discussing topics ranging from politics to finance, Torah study and more. Men's Club supports numerous other programs and activities at Beth El.

The word “Havurah” comes from the Hebrew word *haver* meaning “friend.” At NSS Beth El we are excited to have established a Havurah program for our members. Each havurah becomes a small community of congregants who meet to study, socialize and celebrate Jewish life together. A havurah

provides an opportunity for personal and spiritual growth and a chance to make new friends or improve the bonds with current friends. The havurah to which we belong has attended, as a group, events such as the Chicago Festival of Israeli Cinema and we've met to learn folk dancing, shared stories of Jewish family heirlooms, shared many laughs at a game night, etc., all in a friendly, warm and inclusive setting. From another havurah we learn: “Being in a havurah has added a whole other layer to our involvement at Beth El. We have a group of friends from the synagogue with whom we plan events both inside and outside the shul. Over the years we have celebrated many Shabbat dinners together, gone apple picking, gone to events and movies together and really gotten to know each other well. We have enjoyed watching our children grow up together and mourned family losses together. Our havurah has really become a community within a community for our family.”

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From our Hanukkah party to the A Capella Concert to well attended Jeans and Jammies sessions, Torah Fund Classes, movies, to our highly successful Shabbaton programs, to our Tikun Olam programs, to the many synagogue-wide events held each year, we are astonishingly active.

There are numerous other examples that could be highlighted (and I expect to hear from some asking why not their group), but the point is made. We are a large enterprise made up of many units led by our clergy and/or our staff and/or our congregants. In total, it is very clear to me that what we do at North Suburban Synagogue Beth El is far more than the sum of the individual parts. We are a real community and often sing and practice together: הִנֵּה מַה טוֹב וּמַה נְעִים שִׁבְתָּ אַחִים גַּם יוֹד - How good it is, and how pleasant, when comrades dwell in harmony (Psalm 133).



Mazel tov to our longtime congregant, Harvey J. Barnett, who was recently honored as the BBYO Great Midwest Region Alumnus of the Year for 2015-2016.

## » Hazzan Ben Tisser

Dear Friends, 2016 is off to a great start at Beth El! It was wonderful to welcome Rabbi Michael and Erica Schwab and family back from their brief Sabbatical, and so much else has been going on as well.

Over the weekend of January 22–24, we hosted nearly eighty college students representing Jewish A Cappella groups from five college campuses around the country (Penn, Queens College, Indiana, UWisconsin-Madison and Northwestern). From Jeans and Jammies to Shabbat morning services to a special workshop for our Cohen Religious School and Sokol Hebrew High School students, a great time was had by all. And of course, we enjoyed a truly phenomenal concert with an audience of near 800 from all over the Chicagoland area! (Don't forget to call Ana Igornov in the office to order your copy of the DVD!)

Looking ahead, we have some wonderful opportunities to gather as a community. Purim begins Wednesday, March 23rd and I am so pleased that we will have a 19-piece Klezmer band made up of members of the community (including some of our kids) and a few guest artists from the Maxwell Street Klezmer Band that will play throughout the megillah reading and se'udah – be sure to join the festivities!

On Thursday, May 12th at 3:00pm we are pleased to welcome Netanel Draiblate, Concertmaster of the Lake Forest Symphony Orchestra. Mr. Draiblate is an award-winning, Israeli violin virtuoso, and through our new partnership with the Lake Forest Symphony Orchestra we look forward to presenting programs of important music. In his recital, Mr. Draiblate will share selections composed by the great Israeli composers in honor of Israel's 68th birthday! This program is free and open to the community – see the advertisement in this bulletin for more information.

Finally, we are honored to welcome Rabbi Slomo Koves, a leader of the Budapest Jewish community, to NSS Beth El on Wednesday, May 4th at 7:00pm. Rabbi Koves will speak about the current state of affairs in central Europe, as well as share details of his own fascinating story – please refer to the ad in this bulletin for more information. We are pleased that the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center is a partner in this event.

Friends, NSS Beth El is such an exciting place to be. After now having completed my seventh month serving as your Hazzan, my family and I continue to be so pleased we made the decision to come to Highland Park, and we look forward to the opportunity to continue to get to know you and your families.

Here's hoping Spring is just around the corner!

B'shalom,



*A Special Invitation!*

North Suburban Beth El Sisterhood  
Invites our Beth El Community to:



### A Torah Fund Gala Brunch

**Monday, March 7**

**10:00am**

**Blumberg Auditorium**

*Featuring:*

**A Tapestry of Music from**

**Around the World**

*with*

**Hazzan Ben Tisser and Sarah Levine**

**Join us for a great morning of song – folk and art songs from around the world: Hebrew, Yiddish, Italian**

**Honoring our Torah Fund Teachers:  
Rabbi Vernon Kurtz, Rabbi Michael Schwab, Hazzan Ben Tisser, Alicia Gejman, and Rachel Kamin**

**Thank you to our Donors.**

**Cost: \$20/per person**

**Please RSVP Linda Gottlieb**

**lbmom@comcast.net**

**847-835-3101**

## Purim Service Schedule

### Sunday, March 20 Purim Carnival

10:30am Early Opening for pre-school age children and younger and families with special needs.

11:30am Open to children of all ages Games, Prizes, Raffles, Inflatables and more!

### Wednesday, March 23 Fast of Esther/Megillah Reading

5:00pm Cohen Religious School Purim Experience followed by dinner and the Family Megillah Experience.

6:00pm Family Purim Dinner

6:40pm Mincha/Ma'ariv/Adult Megillah Reading in the Sager Beit Hamidrash followed by the Seudah.

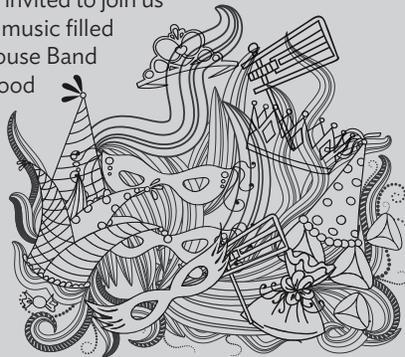
7:00pm Family Megillah Reading in the Field Family Sanctuary including entertainment by the Beth El House Band.

8:15pm The whole community is invited to join us after the Megillah Reading for a music filled Seudah featuring our Beth El House Band and a Mocktail party including food and drinks, sponsored by the Havurah Committee.

### Thursday, March 24 Purim

6:30am Shacharit and Megillah Reading

7:30pm Evening Minyan



## Pesach Service Schedule

### Friday, April 22 Erev Pesach / 1st Seder / Fast of the Firstborn

6:45am Morning Minyan /  
Siyyum Bechorim

6:15pm Mincha/Ma'ariv  
7:20pm Candle Lighting

### Shabbat, April 23 Pesach First Day / 2nd Seder

8:50am Festival Service  
7:30pm Mincha/Ma'ariv  
8:25pm Candle Lighting

### Sunday, April 24 Pesach Second Day

8:50am Festival Service  
7:30pm Mincha/Ma'ariv  
8:26pm Yom Tov Ends

### Monday, April 25 Pesach Third Day

7:00am Morning Minyan  
7:30pm Evening Minyan

### Tuesday, April 26 Pesach Fourth Day

7:00am Morning Minyan  
7:30pm Evening Minyan

### Wednesday, April 27 Pesach Fifth Day

7:00am Morning Minyan  
7:30pm Evening Minyan

### Thursday, April 28 Pesach Sixth Day / Erev Pesach Seventh Day

7:00am Morning Minyan  
7:26pm Candle Lighting  
7:30pm Mincha/Ma'ariv

### Friday, April 29 Pesach Seventh Day

8:50am Festival Service  
7:27pm Candle Lighting  
7:30pm Mincha/Kabbalat  
Shabbat

### Shabbat, April 30 Pesach Eighth Day / Yizkor

8:50am Festival Service  
7:30pm Mincha/Ma'ariv  
8:32pm Yom Tov Ends

## Purim is coming, so order your hamentashen right away!

The Beth El Youth Community Bakers are at it again! Order delicious hamentashen for yourself and your friends. All proceeds go to Tikun Olam, USY's tzedakah fund.

**Order deadline Friday, March 7, 2016. Only \$12 per dozen in six great flavors!**

Orders can be picked up at the South Entrance of the synagogue at the Purim Carnival on March 20, 2016 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm, unless other arrangements are made. For more information or to make special pickup arrangements, call the Youth Community at 847-432-2040 or e-mail Sam at [sisenstein@nssbethel.org](mailto:sisenstein@nssbethel.org).

You can order online – <http://tinyurl.com/hamentashen2016> or send the form below with payment to Beth El Youth Community, Attn: Hamentashen Orders, 1175 Sheridan Road, Highland Park, IL 60035.

Please print clearly. **Make checks payable to NSSBE. All orders are by the dozen or half dozen.**

**For one dozen, mark "1." For a half dozen, mark "1/2."**

Name		Phone	
Mailing Address			
E-mail Address			
Apricot	Cherry	Chocolate	Poppy Seed
Raspberry	Strawberry	<b>Total amount enclosed:</b>	

# *It's All in the Beth El Family*



## **Congratulations To**

- Nancy and Richard Becker on the engagement of their daughter, Emily Frances Becker to Sasha Pevtsov
- Barbara and Larry Field on the birth of their granddaughter
- Eileen and Dov Kahana on the engagement of their son, Jacob, to Lauren Reinfeld
- Ruth and Mal Kaufman on the birth of their great-grandson
- Franci and Michael Kind on the birth of their son
- Leslie and Jonathan Kind on the birth of their grandson
- Eli Krumbein on the birth of his great-granddaughter
- Ellen and Aaron Krumbein on the birth of their granddaughter
- Fran Krasnow and Seth Pines on the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Marissa Pines to Jared Berman
- Eli Krumbein on the birth of his great-grandson, Amit Aharon Krieger
- Janice and Wayne Prepura on the birth of their grandson
- Marsha and Robert Weinstein on the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Beth Weinstein to James Wigoda

## **Condolences To**

- Dori Becker on the loss of her mother, Judith Graham
- Cissy Brottman on the loss of her husband, Sheldon Brottman
- Marc Dorfman on the loss of his mother, Sharon Dorfman
- Jodi Eisenstadt on the loss of his brother, Don M. Levin-Gerkow
- Leonard Foxman on the loss of his mother, Shirley Foxman
- Alan Gandelman on the loss of his step-father, Ira Weinstein
- Julie Kraff on the loss of her father, Robert Heller
- Barry Kravitz on the loss of his father, Ronald Kravitz
- Josh Leavitt on the loss of his mother, Esther Leavitt
- Diane Roodman on the loss of her husband, Sheldon Roodman
- Diane Weil on the loss of her mother, Barbara Pinsoff
- Alexis Yablon on the loss of her grandmother, Vivian Rose

## **In Memoriam**

- Richard Blair
- Sheldon Brottman
- Doris Charak
- Sharon Dorfman
- Sheldon Roodman



## **We wish to thank the following members, guests and groups for sponsoring the Shabbat Kiddush:**

- Larry Becker
- Clara Berman and Michael Moore
- Ellen and Joel Erlichman
- Doreen and Phil Feitelberg
- Children of Nessia Frank
- Michelle and Arie Friedman
- Children of Allene Frost
- Eileen and Ron Goldberg
- Gerry Kaplan
- Fran Krasnow and Seth Pines
- Eli Krumbein
- Bonnie and Eric Rosenberg
- Marsha and Robert Weinstein
- Ellen and Robert Wigoda
- NSS Beth El Men's Club
- NSS Beth EL Sisterhood
- The Rissman Family Kol Ami Museum

# B'nai Mitzvah Congratulations!

March – Adar I/Adar II 5776



**Ryan Hecht,**  
son of Jocelyn and Adam Hecht  
Shabbat, March 5



**Rosie Ezgur,**  
daughter of Wendi and Michael Ezgur  
Shabbat, March 12



**Samuel Zacks,**  
son of Laura and Mitchel Zacks  
Shabbat, March 26

April – Adar I/Nisan 5776



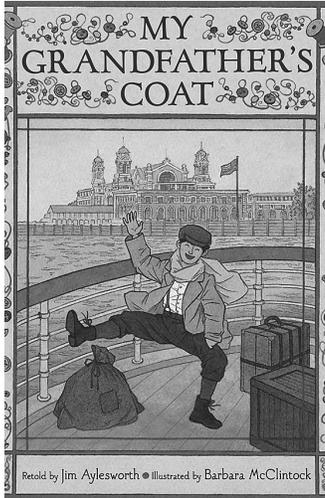
**Emma Fishbein,**  
daughter of Lisa and Todd Fishbein  
Shabbat, April 9



**Elena Gross,**  
daughter of Drs. Lisa Newman and David Gross  
Shabbat, April 16

**Writer's Beit Midrash** – The NSS Beth El Writer's Beit Midrash continues to meet every other Wednesday morning in the Maxwell Abbell Library, 9:30-11:00am. Upcoming meetings are scheduled for: March 9 and 23 and April 6 and 20. All fiction, non-fiction, poetry, memoir, and essay writers (published or not yet published) are welcome for discussions, exercises, camaraderie, and critique. Contact Rachel Kamin at rkamin@nssbethel.org or 847-926-7902 for more information.

## Children's Author Event

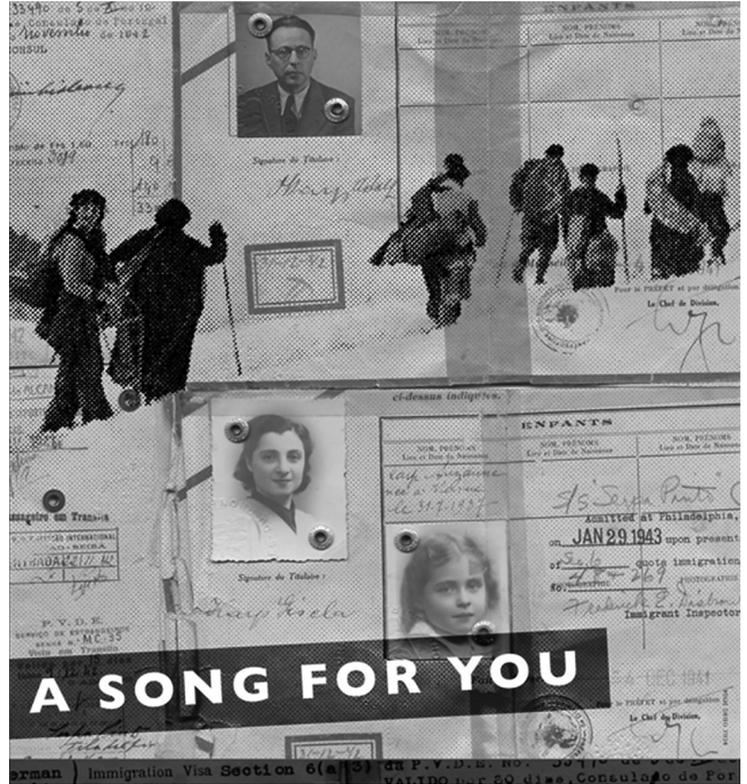
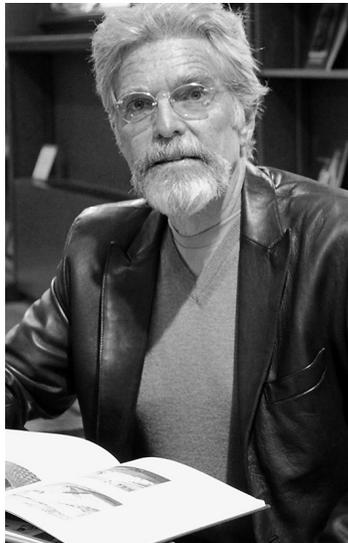


Award-winning children's author Jim Aylesworth will introduce his newest picture book, *My Grandfather's Coat*, winner of the Sydney Taylor Book Award, to the Bet-Vav (2nd-6th grade) Cohen Religious School students on Wednesday, March 9 at 5:00pm. Parents are encouraged to attend and younger siblings are welcome. Ganon,

Gan & Alef (PK-1st grade) students, as well as all Tuesday students, are also invited to attend with their parents. Jim Aylesworth will give a second presentation during the Steinberg Pre-School Shema Pajama Party at 6:00pm. All families with preschool age children are invited.

The author of 36 children's books, Jim Aylesworth tells his stories with generous doses of loud sounds, rhythms and rhymes. His experiences as a teacher have taught him that these are the elements children like in a story, especially when it is being read aloud.

Copies of *My Grandfather's Coat* will be for sale before, during, and after the programs, along with a selection of Jim Aylesworth's other books, but if you would like to pre-order books for your family, please e-mail Rachel Kamin at rkamin@nssbethel.org, or stop by the CLC, for an order form.



## Afternoon @ The Movies

Thursday, March 3 at 2:00pm

Join filmmaker Sharon Karp for a special screening of her documentary *A Song for You* on Thursday, March 3 at 2:00pm co-sponsored by the Joseph and Mae Gray Cultural & Learning Center and the Hazak Senior Life Committee.

In 1943 the Karp family escaped the Nazis by crossing the Pyrenees on foot with the help of the French Resistance. For five harrowing years, they were on the run, sometimes only steps ahead of Hitler's troops. Carrying the burden of their parent's trauma, the filmmaker and her sisters return to Europe to confront events of the past in an attempt to separate them from the present. The story is told through interviews with her mother, segments of a book her father wrote, home movies, photographs, documents and historical footage. The mother's songs are threaded throughout the film. Singing brought relief and hope in desperate times. *A Song for You* is a story of survival through strength of will, luck, and the help of others.

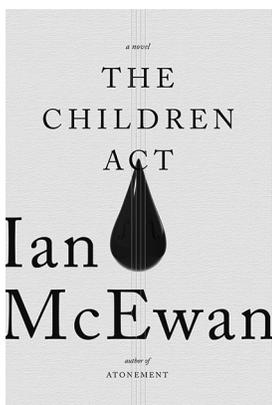
Open to the community, free of charge. Movie snacks will be served! Please RSVP to Marcie Eskin at meskin@nssbethel.org or 847-926-7903.



### Continuum Theater Performance

Continuum Theater brings The Chicago Jewish Play Reading Festival to NSS Beth El. Professional actors will perform a staged reading of the play *Denial* by Peter Sagal on **Sunday, April 3 at 3:00pm**. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students (recommended for ages 13 & up) and are available at <http://nssbethel-denial.brownpapertickets.com>. A limited number of tickets may be available at the door for \$18 but it is recommended that you purchase your tickets online in advance.

In *Denial*, Lawyer Abigail Gersten defends the 1st amendment right to free speech. Her new client, Professor Bernard Cooper, is a Holocaust denier. As relevant today as it was when first written, this compelling play asks the question in Abigail's own words: "If I had to make a stand, if I had to make a choice between what was easy and what was right, what would I do?" A moderated discussion about the play, along with light refreshments, will follow. Questions? Contact Marcie Eskin at [meskin@nssbethel.org](mailto:meskin@nssbethel.org) or 847-926-7903.



### Sisterhood Torah Fund Book Club Shabbat, March 12 at 12:30pm

The Sisterhood Torah Fund Book Club will discuss *The Children Act* by Ian McEwan, after Shabbat Kiddush on Saturday, March 12 at 12:30pm. A highly respected London judge hides her decision to separate from her husband, a loss that challenges her beliefs throughout a case involving parents whose faith forbids a life-saving transfusion for their son. Rabbi Michael Schwab will join us to provide a Jewish perspective on the issues raised in the novel.

New members welcome! Copies of the books are available in the Abbell Library and from local libraries and bookstores. Contact Rachel Kamin at [rkamin@nssbethel.org](mailto:rkamin@nssbethel.org) or 847-432-8900 x242 for the complete book club calendar. A \$36 annual donation to the Torah Fund Campaign is requested.

### Sisterhood Torah Fund Book Club Author Event

Shabbat, April 9 at 12:30pm

David Liss will discuss his new novel, *The Day of Atonement*, with the Sisterhood Torah Fund Book Club after Shabbat Kiddush on Saturday, April 9 at 12:30pm. In a spin-off from his London-based Benjamin Weaver series, *The Day of Atonement* introduces Sebastian Foxx, one of Weaver's young protégés, who returns to 18th-century Portugal to avenge the death of his parents at the hands of the Inquisition. Revenge, murder, love, lust, betrayal, and atonement all combine to make an intriguing, fascinating read set in Lisbon before and during the earthquake of 1755.

David Liss received his B.A. from Syracuse University, an M.A. from Georgia State University and his M.Phil from Columbia University, where he left his dissertation unfinished to pursue his writing career. He is the author of 10 books with more on the way. His debut novel, *A Conspiracy of Paper* was named a New York Times Notable Book and won the 2001 Barry, MacAvity and Edgar awards for Best First Novel. *The Coffee Trader* was also named a New York Times Notable Book and was selected by the New York Public Library as one of the year's 25 Books to Remember. *The Coffee Trader* and *The Ethical Assassin* are both being developed as films, and *A Conspiracy of Paper* is currently being developed for television. David visits NSS Beth El from his home in San Antonio, Texas.

All are welcome to attend this very special Sisterhood Torah Fund Book Club discussion! Copies of David Liss's books are available in the Abbell Library and from local libraries and bookstores.



# NORTH SUBURBAN SYNAGOGUE BETH EL



## NER TAMID SOCIETY

### *Ask Me About My Legacy*

These congregants have all signed letters of intent to remember North Suburban Synagogue Beth El in their wills or estates. Won't you join them? **If we get 6 more letters of intent by April 30, 2016, we will be awarded a \$10,000 stipend for our endowment from the Creating a Jewish Legacy Program.** Help us reach our goal! Contact Nancy Kleine Kekst at [nkekst@nssbethel.org](mailto:nkekst@nssbethel.org) or call 847-432-8900 x262.



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## Together with B'Yachad!

We honor those congregants who have banded together as B'Yachad Donors for 2015–2016. Words cannot express our gratitude for their very generous participation in our B'Yachad dues level program at North Suburban Synagogue Beth El this year. They are role models in our community.

**We are very proud to announce that Nina and Arnie Harris have just stepped up to the B'Yachad level for this year and next year! Yasher Koach and Mazel tov!** They join this illustrious group of donors:

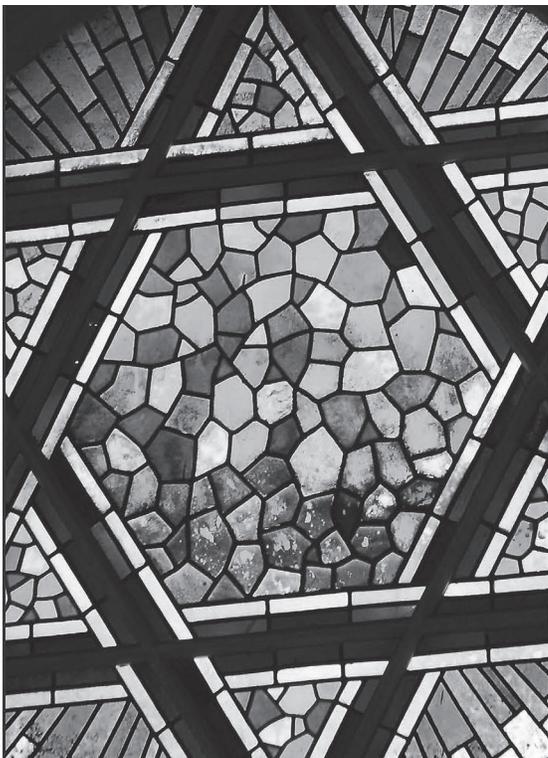
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We invite other congregants to join the B'Yachad giving level for this year or any future year. An annual pledge of \$10,000\* or more to the synagogue covers: Synagogue dues, a Kol Nidre Appeal donation, Chesed donation, two tickets to our annual spring fundraising event, and Recognition on the Annual Giving Donor Wall.

\*B'Yachad level membership benefits do not include religious school enrollment fees, any extra High Holiday tickets, memorial books, small donations or fees for synagogue dinners or classes.

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To learn more about how to create your Jewish legacy, please contact **Nancy Kekst** at **847.432.8900** or [nkekst@nssbethel.org](mailto:nkekst@nssbethel.org).

Join us to be creative with our artist in residence

# Mordechai Rosenstein

April 6-10, 2016

Imagine working with a world-famous artist on your very own art piece. Enjoy collaborating with artist Mordechai Rosenstein at NSSBE while he is in residence here from April 6-10.

While at NSSBE, Mordechai Rosenstein

- Will give a wonderful explanation of some of his famous art and Ketubot through a power point/ slide show as well as some examples and stories of the origins of Jewish art
- Will give a special D'var Torah on Shabbat morning
- Will help adults be creative with a 'Painting and Pinot' event on April 7, 2016
- Will work with our preschool and religious school students on teaching and creating art
- Will create a special original piece of art for our synagogue
- Will display his artwork throughout the synagogue and in the Rissman Family Kol Ami Museum
- Will give congregants the opportunity to purchase his art
- Will present a wonderful slideshow of his famous art to donors and leadership

Watch your email for more details to come! Contact Aliza Drumm, Director of Informal Education, at 847-432-8126 or [adrumm@nssbethel.org](mailto:adrumm@nssbethel.org) for further information or to help with this opportunity.



## And some say, Teach (them) How to Swim

This year we have embarked on a new project called the Jewish Parenting Havurah. Similar to traditional havurot, the Jewish Parenting Havurah meets outside the synagogue in our own homes to discuss issues that are relevant to those of us wanting to share together in the challenge of raising preschool and grade school children. The program doesn't require you to make an annual commitment or sign on the dotted line – as you can, we want parents to drop in and get to know each other, to lean on each other, and to share in their biggest adventure together.

In the Talmud Tractate Kiddushin 29a\*, there is a list of things that parents are obligated to do for their children. The list doesn't include basic necessities such as providing food, shelter, care, and love for a child, perhaps because it was assumed that these were unnecessary to mention. Included on the list are the importance of education and companionship, and then the list concludes with something unexpected – an obligation to teach your child how to swim!

There is inherent value in literally teaching a child how to swim – for all of us humans living near bodies of water for thousands of years, this is a matter of basic survival. This teaching resonates with us when we think of those hours of swim lessons in the JCC or private superheated water and "this is the way we wash our hair in the swimming pool" ringing in our ears. The deeper meaning here is to think about what it means "to swim" in life, and how learning to stay afloat in difficult situations is an important lesson for life. The teaching doesn't say "hold your children in the water" or "wrap your children in protective gear" for swimming. I'm not making a judgment call about the use of water wings, but rather feeling clear that the rabbis were trying to say something about our obligations as parents to impart skills to our children so they can survive independently of our help.

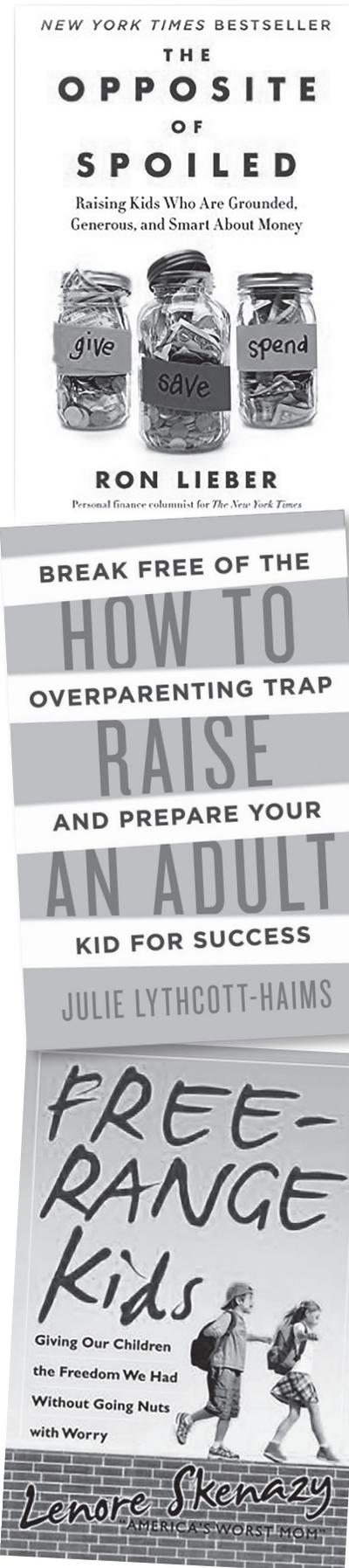
This year in the Jewish Parenting Havurah we have read books together called *How To Raise An Adult: Break Free of the Overparenting Trap and Prepare Your Kid For Success* by Julie Lythcott-Haims and *The Opposite of Spoiled: Raising Kids Who Are Grounded, Generous, And Smart About Money* by Ron Lieber. On **Saturday night April 9th** at the home of Mary and Ben Channon, Rachel Kamin will guide us in a discussion of Lenore Skenazy's *Free Range Kids: How To Raise Self-Reliant Children Without Going Nuts with Worry*. \*\*

We want to acknowledge that the world is actually much safer than we've been led to believe and our children need to learn how to thrive in it rather than be protected from it. We want to expand the definition of success for our children and be guided in our parenting by Jewish principles. We want to build our children's confidence by allowing them to fail and learn from it and recover, developing mastery through effort. We want to push them to a kind of independence that allows them to swim.

\*Kiddushin 29a: A father is obligated to do the following for his son: to circumcise him, to redeem him if he is a first born, to teach him Torah, to find him a wife, and to teach him a trade. Some say: teach him how to swim.

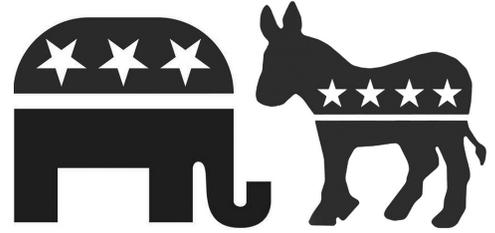
\*\*All books are available in the Maxwell Abbell Library at NSS Beth El.

To talk about Jewish Parenting or to RSVP for the Jewish Parenting Havurah on Saturday night April 9th, please contact me at [adrumm@nssbethel.org](mailto:adrumm@nssbethel.org) or 847-432-8126.





## Men's Club 2016 Political Candidates Forum



Would you like to ask the Republican candidates in the upcoming primaries a question up close and personal? Here is your chance. Once again your Beth El Men's Club has invited all the major candidates running to come meet our congregants. This program, begins at 10:00 am sharp. Please join us for these always interesting and informative forums. If you have any questions, contact Michael Salberg at: 847-831-0581 or 847-903-1491, or [mbsalberg@sbcglobal.com](mailto:mbsalberg@sbcglobal.com).

### March 6 - Men's Club Republican Candidates Town Hall

The following candidates have been invited to attend:

U.S. Senator Mark Kirk (unconfirmed)  
U.S. Senate Candidate James Marter (confirmed)  
10th District Congressional Race – Robert Dold (sending surrogate)  
29th Illinois Senate Benjamin Salzberg (confirmed)  
Various Lake County Officials

(The Democratic Candidates Forum took place on February 28.)

## Calling All Softball Players Let's Play 2!

This is the third year of our Men's Club 12-inch (play with glove) softball league. Last season we had two teams in the league out of a total of 12 teams, which included many other area synagogue Men's Clubs. We play on Sundays, 10 games in total plus playoffs, beginning about May through early August. Our games are played between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm. You must be in shape to play in this somewhat competitive league, officiated by a patched umpire. You also must be a member of, or willing to join, the Men's Club to play. If you are interested in playing, please contact Michael Salberg ASAP at: 847-831-0581 or 847-903-1491, or [mbsalberg@sbcglobal.com](mailto:mbsalberg@sbcglobal.com).

## World Wide Wrap: An International Affair

As in past years, the FJMC held the World Wide Wrap, which traditionally takes place on Super Bowl Sunday. On February 7th, about 35 men gathered in the Bet Midrash and partook in the mitzvah of putting on tefillin at morning minyan. The "Wrap" is observed all around the world wherever there is a Men's Club, and hundreds of clubs register thousands of participants. Following services, we gathered to enjoy breakfast, followed by a Torah study group led by Rob Freeman. Do plan on attending next year's World Wide Wrap.

## Man of the Year Program

Marc Richards will be honored as this year's Man of the Year by North Suburban Synagogue Beth El Men's Club. Marc has been serving as our Men's Club Treasurer for the past three years, and has been instrumental in bringing new ideas and programs to our Club. The program will take place on Sunday, March 6, 2016, at Beth Hillel Congregation Bnai Emunah in Wilmette. A Silent Auction will begin at 4:00 pm and dinner will be served at 5:00 pm. The cost for the program and dinner is \$45, and reservations can be made through February 26th. Contact Ernie Smolen at: 847-926-0558 or [ernieeds@comcast.net](mailto:ernieeds@comcast.net) for more information.

## Hearing Men's Voices Resumes

The well-received program, Hearing Men's Voices, resumes this year on the evening of Wednesday, March 9, 2016. The program consists of informal discussions that educate participants and offer insights into current, real-life issues facing men in today's society. The sessions are free to the community, but **space is very limited**. Each session is hosted at the home of one of our members, and begins at 8:00 pm. The second HMV session for this calendar year is scheduled for Monday, April 11, 2016.

## Scholarship Application Now Available for the Poland/Israel Shoah Trip

The Men's Club, through our special Holocaust Fund, is awarding the Irwin Wygodny Memorial stipend to those traveling to Poland this summer in an organized educational program, and whose parent is a member of Beth El. To apply for this stipend, and share that experience at a Men's Club Program, please contact Program Co-Chairperson, Arnie Sandler at: 847-309-9126 or [gdhndsman@aol.com](mailto:gdhndsman@aol.com). The application deadline is May 1, 2016.



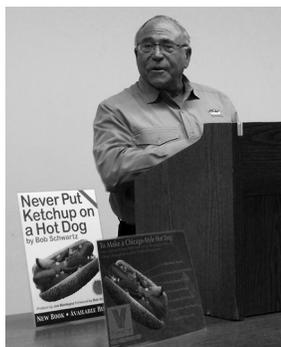
### **A Wild Night in Highwood**

On December 8th, our Sisterhood and Men's Club came together for the third consecutive year to enjoy an evening of fun, entertainment, mingling, and food. The event, "Open Mike Night", was held at 210, a new music venue and eatery in Highwood, and was chaired by Mike Ezgur and Jodie Mosk. The event drew about 60 people, young and old. Following the lighting of the Hanukkah candles by Aaron Krumbein, young Noa Dayan and Mike Melinger took to the stage at the "open mike". Ernie Smolen sang several songs in Yiddish. The Quintet, a five-piece band that includes a keyboard, drums and guitars, backed up lead vocalists Mike and Wendi Ezgur. Ron Goldberg, on guitar, and Mike Ezgur on harmonica, together performed Ron's celebrated song, "Beth El Blues". The entertaining and enjoyable evening included a sumptuous buffet prepared by Beth El's Circle of Life Catering.

### **Men's Club Hosts Two Authors at Morning Breakfasts**

The Men's Club Bagels for Your Brains program featured two authors who made outstanding presentations, and shared fascinating stories and insights from their respective books. On January 24th, accomplished author and sports columnist, Ed Sherman, discussed his book, *Babe Ruth's Called Shot*. The book recalls the story about the famous Yankee baseball player, whose records still stand today, and his famous gesture prior to hitting one of the longest home runs in baseball history. Ed shared many of the different accounts of this story, proffered by fans and sports writers alike, about how Babe Ruth seemed to have signaled the direction to which he would hit the long homerun ball. Ed's wonderful presentation brought many questions and comments regarding that famous event and about baseball in general.

On January 31st, Bob Schwartz, Senior Vice President of Vienna Beef, shared amusing stories about Chicago's hot dog industry from his book, *Never Put Ketchup On A Hot Dog*. He recounted the industry's meager beginnings to the status it now holds in the fast food industry. Vienna Beef is the largest hot dog manufacturer in the country, and Bob estimates that there are approximately 1,800 hot dog stands in the Chicago area, although that figure is disputed by some. Many audience members also exchanged nostalgic stories about the hot dog stands in their own neighborhoods when they grew up.



### **Save the Date....**

### **Come Celebrate a Men's Club Weekend**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 1 - SUNDAY, APRIL 3**

Our weekend begins on Friday night with services and family dinner. We continue the celebration on Saturday morning with Shabbat Services led by your very own North Suburban Synagogue Beth El Men's Club, with a Kiddush lunch to follow. Saturday evening, after Shabbat ends, a reception will be held at the Krumbein residence. There will be a special Bagels for Your Brains Torah study session on Sunday morning. If you would like to daven, read Torah, or help with announcements, please contact Jeffrey Goldsmith at: jbg724@gmail.com. Look for more information to come.

### **Midwest Region Men's Clubs Breakfast in Wisconsin**

On January 17th, the Midwest Region Men's Clubs joined together in Glendale, Wisconsin, a suburb of Milwaukee, to daven, enjoy breakfast and to participate in an interesting morning program. About 60 men and women, including seven from Chicago, attended this event, which took place at Beth Israel Ner Tamid. Following morning minyan and a sumptuous meal, Mike Greenberg of Congregation Beth Shalom in Northbrook, told the story of Jewish GI's stationed at POW camps guarding Nazi prisoners after World War II. Mike's presentation included photos and documents of the guards' experiences, only a few of whom were Jewish, including Mike's own father, Sergeant Arthur Greenberg, who was stationed at several of these POW camps during his term of service. The presentation was followed by questions from the floor.

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## » Sisterhood

### Connect with Sisterhood

Sisterhood is eager to serve our members, our Congregation and the needs of the Jewish community. We perform and create hiddur mitzvah opportunities for our community and donate the funds we raise back to Beth El's schools, youth groups, Cultural and Learning Center, and social action projects. While maintaining our traditional values, we are in the process of crafting a new vision for Sisterhood and we are looking for new members who will help us meet the challenge of change. We welcome your membership, commitment and participation. Won't you join us?

On January 7th over 50 Beth El members enjoyed a docent-led group tour of: *Light & Noir: Exiles & Emigres in Hollywood, 1933-1950* at the Illinois Holocaust Museum in Skokie. It was a great way to spend a cold winter evening. Sisterhood will continue to sponsor similar events in the future. If you know of an event that might interest our members, please let us know.

On February 2nd Sisterhood hosted a wonderful Lunch and Learn event where Drs. Romy Block and Arielle Levitan discussed their book, *The Vitamin Solution: Two Doctors Clear the Confusion about Vitamins and Your Health*. Sisterhood is planning to repeat this presentation at an evening event. Keep an eye on your email for details.

*Rachel Ferber, President*

### Upcoming Sisterhood Event



#### Dinner with Rabbi Kurtz Tuesday, April 12, 6:00pm

Sisterhood and Men's Club invite you to join us for Dinner with Rabbi Kurtz. Don't miss this wonderful evening when Beth El comes together for great company, a delicious dinner, and most importantly, an extraordinary speaker! \$25/person. Reservations

must be made by April 4 by sending a check, payable to NS Beth El Sisterhood, to Ruth Fischer, 620 Calais Circle, Highland Park, IL 60035. Contact Ruth at 847-433-1919.

Yes, I (we) will attend "Dinner with Rabbi Kurtz"

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Did you know that the Gift Shop offers a Wedding & Gift Registry? Your registry enables your family and friends to call or stop in and select that perfect gift!

We have a beautiful array of Judaica to help you establish your Jewish home: mezuzzahs, challah covers, challah boards, Kiddush cups, Shabbat candlesticks and so much more. We also carry an amazing number of items to enhance your dining table from trays to serving bowls.

If there is something you have seen elsewhere, we can order it for you as well.

To register, simply come in and browse and allow us to assist you in choosing those perfect items. The Gift Shop Consultants will help you fill out your registry and email you a detailed summary of your selections. Personal appointments are welcomed. Simply call: Diane Levin at 847-571-5629, Sulie Holt at 847-558-3389 or Pam Schlosberg at 847-433-7546.

All our proceeds help contribute to Sisterhood's ongoing support of NSS Beth El Religious School Programs.

We appreciate your continued support!  
*Sulie and Diane*

# Passover Supplement

2016/5776



## FORBIDDEN FOODS

The following foods are forbidden to Ashkenazic Jews during *Pesach*: leavened bread, cakes, biscuits and crackers; cereals, coffee substitutes derived from cereals; wheat, barley, oats, rice, dry peas, dry beans, and all liquids which contain ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol. (Sephardic Jews have some different practices.)

## PERMITTED FOODS

Requiring no *kosher l'Pesach* label, the following foods are permitted in unopened packages or containers: natural coffee, sugar, tea, salt, pepper, and fresh vegetables (except peas and beans, although string beans are permitted on *Pesach*).

The following foods are permitted if certified for *Pesach* use by Rabbinical authority (have a *kosher l'Pesach* label): *matzah*, *matzah flour*, Passover noodles, candies, cakes, beverages, canned and processed foods, milk, butter, jams, cheese, jellies, relishes, dried fruits and vegetables, salad oils, vegetable gelatin, shortening, vinegar. Wines and liquors are permitted if certified by a Rabbinical authority as fit for *Pesach* use.

## DISHES AND UTENSILS

Only dishes and utensils specially reserved for *Pesach* should be used with the following exceptions: silverware made entirely of metal if used during the year may be used on *Pesach* if thoroughly scoured and immersed in boiling water. Metal pots and pans used for cooking purposes only (but not for baking), if made wholly of metal, though used during the year, may be used on *Pesach*. They must first be thoroughly scoured and immersed in boiling water. The utensils should not be used for a period of at least 24 hours between their cleaning and immersion in boiling water.

Utensils used for baking during the year cannot be used for Passover. Earthenware, enamelware and porcelain utensils used during the year may not be used. Fine translucent chinaware if not used for a year is permitted if scoured and cleaned in hot water.

Authorities disagree as to the method of kashering drinking glasses. One opinion requires soaking in water for three days, changing the water every 24 hours. The other opinion requires only a thorough scrubbing before *Pesach* or putting them through a dishwasher. A dishwashing machine may be used for Passover after a thorough scouring and non-use for 24 hours. Authorities disagree whether a new tray is necessary.

The stove is prepared by a thorough scrubbing and cleansing of all parts, then turning on the ovens and all burners full-flame for one half hour. Self-cleaning ovens should be scrubbed and cleaned, then put through the self-cleaning cycle.

Continuous cleaning ovens must be *kashered* in the same manner as regular ovens.

Microwave ovens should be cleaned, and then a cup of water placed inside. The oven should be turned on until the water disappears. A microwave that has a browning element cannot be *kashered*. In all the above cases the appliance cannot be used for 24 hours prior to *kashering*.

If the parts of electrical appliances that come into contact with *Hametz* are removable, they can be *kashered* in the appropriate way. If the parts are not removable, the appliance cannot be *kashered*. Non-Passover dishes, pots and *hametz* whose ownership has been transferred should be separated, locked up or covered and marked in order to prevent accidental use.

If you have specific questions, please contact our rabbis.

## BEDIKAT HAMETZ

### (THE SEARCH FOR AND BURNING OF LEAVEN)

On the evening of Thursday, April 21, the Search for Leaven, *bedikat hametz*, is conducted. This is a ritual that symbolizes the final cleaning of the house of all *hametz*. It is customary to place pieces of bread in various rooms around the house before the search

begins – remember how many pieces there are and where they are hidden! The search is conducted with a candle for light and a feather and wooden spoon to collect the *hametz*. The *hametz*, feather and wooden spoon should be put in a bag and set aside to be burnt in the morning.

In the morning – this year on Friday, April 22 – after eating our last meal of *hametz*, add any remains from breakfast to the bag of *hametz* from the previous night, and burn them outside the home. This is the final act of removal of *hametz* from our homes. *Hametz* should be burned by 10:15 am.

The appropriate prayers for the search for and destruction of *hametz* are found at the beginning of every *Haggadah*.

### MECHIRAT HAMETZ (SALE OF THE HAMETZ)

In addition to the thorough cleaning of the house before *Pesach*, we are commanded to completely free ourselves of leavened products. Anything made from wheat, barley, oats, rye or spelt, which had a chance to leaven (rise or ferment), must be destroyed. Today a simple but meaningful tradition is followed:

- Each Jewish home must be cleaned before *Pesach*.
- The Rabbi contractually arranges for the sale of the *hametz* to a non-Jew so that it will, technically, be out of Jewish possession during *Pesach*.
- At the end of *Pesach*, everything in your stored-up area will be repurchased for your immediate use.

Please see Mark Stadler or use the form below to sell your *Hametz*. Please contact Mark no later than Thursday, April 21, 2016. A voluntary contribution should be made upon selling *Hametz*. All gifts will be added to our *Maot Chitim* fund.

*Maot Chitim* (Portions of Wheat). It is traditional for Jews who have been blessed by the Almighty to make sure that their less fortunate brethren have all that is necessary to celebrate a joyous *Pesach*. Special funds for this purpose, known as *Maot Chitim*, are collected in synagogues through the world. Beth El participates in this activity. If you would like to make a contribution to the *Maot Chitim* fund, please mail it directly to the synagogue, or bring it in personally, and earmark it accordingly. These funds will be distributed to the Greater Chicago *Maot Chitim* and other institutions that provide *Pesach* food to the less fortunate.

### MAOT CHITIM DELIVERY

Please plan to participate with the Greater Chicago *Maot Chitim* in the delivery of packages on Sunday, April 17 from 9:00 am to 10:30 am. For more details and directions, go to [www.maotchitim.org](http://www.maotchitim.org) or [www.nssbethel.org](http://www.nssbethel.org).

### SIYYUM BECHORIM (FAST OF THE FIRSTBORN)

At the Minyan service Friday, April 22, at 6:45 am the ceremony of *siyyum bechorim* will take place in the Field Family Sanctuary, led by Rabbi Vernon Kurtz. It is customary for the first born male to fast on the day preceding Passover. In place of the fast, however, tradition developed the practice of concluding a portion of study of a Rabbinic text after which celebration and feasting takes place. The *siyyum bechorim* ceremony is the means of obviating the need for a fast. We encourage all first-born males to attend.

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**DETACH AND SEND TO: MARK STADLER, NSS BETH EL, 1175 SHERIDAN ROAD, HIGHLAND PARK, IL 60035**

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## » Jack and Mildred Cohen Religious School and Miriam and Bernard H. Sokol Hebrew High School

### *M'Shulchan Hamenahelet*

A big emphasis in our schools this year has been facilitating connections. It seems like in the technological world we live in, we are all connected. But, are we? Icebreaker exercises with students and parents respectively, earlier on in the year, yielded a surprising discovery. We have a lot to do to make sure we learn to work together – from the basics of knowing each others' names to learning from each other.

In an effort to build learning and social relationships our classes have been paired, inviting each other for learning activities and celebrating holidays together. Our age-combined *chugim* afternoon classes begin with a communal dinner, benching and follow up activities. In the Sokol Hebrew High School classes, students are regularly paired to work in *chevrutot*. As the definition of *chevruta* implies – two students learning together – each can help the other, leading to mutual enrichment. The new technology, integrated in all aspects of the schools, offers a new window to interact with one another as students learn from teachers and teachers learn from students.

Our small synagogue connections have been expanding as our SHHS students are communicating live via Skype connections with students in the *Netzach Kehilah* in Ashkelon through the *Rav Siach* program. Our Vav (6th grade) students will again participate in the My Family Story program sponsored by *Beit Hatfutsot* (The Museum of Jewish People) adding our own family narratives to the rest of the Jewish families around the world.

We will continue strengthening our personal and communal connections during celebrations of the upcoming Purim and Pesach holidays.

*Alicia Gejman*  
Director of Formal Education

#### Jack and Mildred Cohen Religious School March/April – Adar I/Adar II/Nisan 5776

Mar 4	Friday	Bet Shabbat/Oneg
Mar 5	Shabbat	Hey Family Shabbat Services/Luncheon
Mar 9	Wednesday	Author Visit/Sofer Visit
Mar 12	Shabbat	Gimmel/Dalet Family Shabbat Services
Mar 13	Sunday	My Family Story Project Presentation Sofer Visit
Mar 19	Shabbat	Gimmel/Dalet Family Shabbat Services
Mar 20	Sunday	Purim Carnival
Mar 23	Wednesday	Purim Celebration
Mar 27 – Apr 3	Sunday – Shabbat	No School Spring Break
Apr 9	Shabbat	Gimmel/Dalet Family Shabbat Services
Apr 10	Sunday	Artist-In-Residence Program with Mordechai Rosenstein
Apr 16	Shabbat	Gimmel/Dalet Family Shabbat Services
Apr 17	Sunday	Moving Traditions Program (Gesher Students); Pesach Celebration

#### Miriam and Bernard H. Sokol Hebrew High School March/April – Adar I/Adar II/Nisan 5776

Mar 20	Sunday	Purim Carnival
Mar 27 – Apr 3	Sunday – Shabbat	No School Spring Break
Apr 10	Sunday	Artist-In-Residence Program with Mordechai Rosenstein and Digital Pesach Inquiry

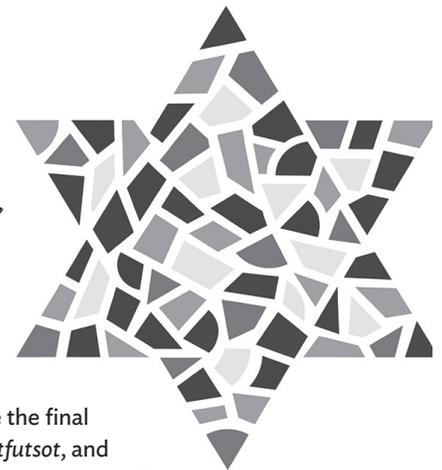
*Beth El congregants are cordially invited to the showcase of:*

## My Family Story Project Sunday, March 13

Students in Kitah Vav (6th grade) have embarked on a journey to the past, an exploration of roots, a project that goes beyond the usual family tree. It is a journey that connects students to their personal stories, to their family stories, and to the greater story of the Jewish People.

The culminating event of the My Family Story program in our school will be a competition of Family Roots Projects featuring those made by our students. Our school will conduct a competition to determine which projects will go on to compete internationally. The chosen projects will be sent to *Beit Hatfutsot* (Museum of the Jewish People) where judges will determine the final winners of the competition. All final submissions will be included in a special exhibition at *Beit Hatfutsot*, and finalists and winners will be eligible for prizes as well as the opportunity to participate in an official ceremony at *Beit Hatfutsot* in Tel Aviv, Israel, marking the opening of the exhibition and the conclusion to the competition.

Last year and three years ago Jason Garfinkel and Noah Braverman respectively were selected among the international winners from the North America, Europe and Australia category! Both families flew to Israel to participate at the Award ceremony in Tel Aviv.



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## Support the Synagogue with Grocery Scrip for Passover!

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# Jewel-Osco

Do you spend large amounts of money on food and supplies for Passover? Does the Jewel in Highland Park send you a thank you note after Passover? Then we have a program for you! Shop as usual but support the Synagogue at the same time - at no additional cost to you! Here's what you need to do:

1. Come to the Synagogue office and purchase Jewel gift cards at face value! Cash or checks only please - no credit cards available for scrip purchase. No mail orders either, sorry! (Delivery service for orders of \$1000 or more)
2. Go to any Jewel and shop, paying with your gift cards.
3. NSSBE gets a 5% donation from Jewel. Gift cards will be available in the synagogue office and through Sisterhood starting March 7th until May 15th.

Questions? Contact Jodi Mosk, Nancy Kekst or the office.

# OUT OF THE SHADOWS

Erev Yom HaShoah 5776  
Commemoration & Service

Wednesday, May 4, 2016 – 7:00pm

North Suburban Synagogue Beth El · 1175 Sheridan Road · Highland Park, IL 60035



### Keynote Speaker: Rabbi Slomo Koves

Rabbi Slomo Koves is the Executive Rabbi of the Unified Hungarian Jewish Community and was the first Orthodox Rabbi ordained in Hungary since the Shoah.

Rabbi Slomo Koves will be discussing his own story, as well as the current state of affairs in Hungary and throughout Central Europe.

Kindly RSVP to Ana Igonov at 847-432-8900 x222  
or [aigonov@nssbethel.org](mailto:aigonov@nssbethel.org).

## Mark Your Calendars for the Youth Community's Upcoming Programs!

### USY (9th–12th Graders)

**Wednesday, March 2nd**

CHUSY Regional Lounge night at Beth Hillel!

**Sunday, March 6th–Tuesday, March 15th**

BEANS USY will be in the kitchen baking our amazing Hamentashen! Don't forget to order yours!

**Sunday, March 13th**

**7:00pm**

USCJ Annual Concert supporting scholarship for CHUSY Kadima and USY, at Beth Hillel Congregation Bnai Emunah.

**Saturday, March 19th**

Purim Carnival Set up and Lock in!

**Sunday, March 20th**

Purim Carnival! 10:30am early opening for pre-school age children. 11:30am open to the community until 1:30pm.

**Tuesday, April 5th**

**6:00pm**

Candle Pack with Men's Club and CHUSY Kinnus Pump Up Program. Dinner will be provided!

**Tuesday, April 14th**

Get Pumped up for Kinnus Lounge Night!

**Friday, April 8th – Sunday, April 10th**

Registration for CHUSY Regional KINNUS is open! A weekend where we will elect a new CHUSY Regional Board, see who wins Chapter of the year and say goodbye to our seniors!

**Saturday, April 16th**

CHUSY Region Tikun Olam Prom. More information to follow.

**Tuesday, April 19th**

**7:00pm**

BEANS USY's Mandatory Parent and Candidate meeting for all those running for the 2016-2017 Chapter Executive Board. 7:00pm in the Youth Lounge.

**Tuesday, May 10th**

Save the Date! BEANS USY Executive Board Elections.



### Kadima (6th–8th Graders)

**Sunday, March 6th**

**1:00–3:30pm**

Kadima will be going to play broom ball! \$20 for members or Activity Pass, \$30 for non-members. Open to all Jewish 6th–8th graders!

**Wednesday, March 16th – 6:00pm**

Kadima Board Meeting in the Youth Lounge.

**Wednesday, April 20th – 6:00pm**

Kadima Hametz Fest in the Youth Lounge! Dinner provided. \$10 or Activity Pass.



### Shalom Club (2nd–5th Graders)

**Sunday, April 17th**

**12:00–1:00pm**

Shalom Club's Annual Chocolate Seder (after CRS). \$10 or Activity Pass; \$15 for non-members, includes lunch (not just chocolate).



### NSSBE Sisterhood College Connection

**Wednesday, April 13th**

**4:00pm**

Passover Box Packing. We need as many volunteers as possible. This is our largest and most delicious box we send to our college students! Please RSVP to Ellen Krumbein at [elysue@sbcglobal.net](mailto:elysue@sbcglobal.net).

### Calling all Jewish 8th Graders!

**You are invited to come to USY programs. We can't wait to see you!**

BEANS Youth Community is a great way to make new friends, hang out with old ones, and have an awesome time. Have Jewish friends from camp or school that you want involved? All of Beth El's Youth Groups are open to Jewish children whose families are not members of Beth El. Contact Sam Isenstein, Youth Community Director, at [siesntein@nssbethel.org](mailto:siesntein@nssbethel.org) or at 847-432-2040 for more information regarding membership or any other questions regarding the Beth El Youth Community.





### **Going to Israel? Do a Mitzvah and Bring a Care Package to a Lone Soldier!**

If you're planning a trip to Israel, consider adopting a Lone Soldier and delivering a care package while you're there. Lone Soldiers are defined as those without parents in Israel. There are currently over 6,000 Lone Soldiers in the IDF from around the world. Most come from the U.S., while others come from Russia, Europe and Canada. The Lone Soldier Centers in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv are a home away from home and provide assistance before, during and after their IDF service. The organization hosts social events, Shabbat dinners and a place for the soldiers to hang out. Named in memory of Michael Levin of Philadelphia who died in 2006 fighting for the country he loved, the Lone Soldier Center also provides guidance, emergency support and a family for those who serve our beloved Israel. For more information, [www.LoneSoldierCenter.com](http://www.LoneSoldierCenter.com).

### **New Shiva Advisory Committee**

The Shiva Advisory Committee was recently formed as part of the Ritual Committee to provide comfort to NSSBE families as needed during a confusing and difficult time by guiding mourners through shiva with basic education and logistical help.

When there is a new mourner in our community, the Shiva Advisory Committee will be automatically contacted. A representative from the committee will then reach out directly to the mourner and shiva organizer to offer help.

A booklet, available both online and in hard-copy, is now available and includes information for both the mourner and the shiva organizer. For the mourner, there are brief explanations of the meanings behind the shiva rituals and a list of books related to shiva and mourning should the mourner wish additional reading. There is also a Lending Library available. For the shiva coordinator or organizer, there are detailed resources: lists to help with preparing the house for shiva, organized shopping lists and a list of kosher restaurants that might be helpful for meals for the week. The Shiva Advisory Committee, in partnership with the Men's Club, can also ensure there is a minyan at the shiva house for each night.

The Shiva Advisory Committee consists of: Ramona Choos, Melanie Hoffman, Jay Levine, Arielle Levitan, Dina Lissoos, Batya Retsky, Pam Schlosberg, Sandy Starkman, Marla Grossberg. Many thanks to Jackie Pinsler for formatting the booklet. If you are interested in helping on this committee, or if you are in need of its services, please contact Marla Grossberg at [marlagrossberg@gmail.com](mailto:marlagrossberg@gmail.com) or at 847-682-8118.

**2016 Annual Fundraiser**  
**featuring Pharaoh's Daughter**  
Saturday Evening  
March 5, 2016 at 7:30pm



**Yes, you can buy tickets at the door for our Annual Fundraiser.**

Enjoy a Mediterranean evening of food, drink and world music featuring the band Pharaoh's Daughter, led by Basya Schechter. Dinner table seating with drinks, light supper of New Israeli Cuisine and dessert. Casual Dress.

### **Hazak Transportation Program**

A transportation program has been launched by Hazak, our synagogue's growing effort to meet the needs of older adults in our community. If you need a ride to a Beth El event, class or Shabbat morning service please call Lennie Kay 847-432-8900 x221. She and the volunteer Hazak team will work to coordinate your ride. If possible, please allow at least three days advanced notice. Last minute requests may be difficult to accommodate.

Any comments or questions on this program can be directed to Hazak Co-Chairs Jan Channon 847-945-7422 or [janchannonflowers@gmail.com](mailto:janchannonflowers@gmail.com) or Marilyn Hirsch 847-266-0426 or [mbh3333@gmail.com](mailto:mbh3333@gmail.com).



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*In Celebration of Israel's  
68th Birthday!*

# Yom Ha'atzmaut Recital *with Netanel Draiblate* *Concertmaster of the Lake Forest Symphony Orchestra*

North Suburban Synagogue Beth El  
Blumberg Auditorium

Thursday, May 12

3:00 pm



**Netanel Draiblate**  
Israeli-Born Virtuoso

**Violinist Netanel Draiblate is a rising star in the classical world whose artistry has been praised as “confident and eloquent.” His recent orchestral appearances as well as his performances as a chamber musician, recording artist, and concertmaster serve to highlight his versatility.**

This program is free of charge and open to the public through our partnership with the Lake Forest Symphony Orchestra. Please RSVP to Marcie Eskin at 847-926-7903 or meskin@nssbethel.org.

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**Rabbi Kurtz's Discretionary Fund**

- *In memory of* Helga Bierig, beloved mother of Judy Farby - Susan and Alan Resnick
- *In honor of* Aaron and Ellen Krumbein's Simcha - Ronald and Eileen Goldberg
- *In honor of* Dana and Ric's wedding and with appreciation to Rabbi Kurtz - Moshe and Shoshana Konstantin
- *In honor of* Eli Krumbein's Simchas - Ronald and Eileen Goldberg
- *In honor of* Gabriel Hamburg becoming a Bar Mitzvah and with appreciation to Rabbi Kurtz - Jeff and Jaimy Hamburg
- *In honor of* Jill and David's wedding and with appreciation to Rabbi Kurtz - Mark and Nina Gaines
- *In honor of* Mira and Darryl Temkin's Simchas - Ronald and Eileen Goldberg
- *In honor of* Rabbi Kurtz's special birthday - Sol and Marcia Lerner
- Ira and Deborah Rosenberg
- *In honor of* the birth of Myles Felix Weinberg - Darryl and Mira Temkin
- *In honor of* the birth of our grandson, Asher Benjamin Temkin - Darryl and Mira Temkin
- *In honor of* the birth of Rabbi Vernon and Bryna Kurtz's grandson, Samuel Ryder Kaufman
- Steve and Wendy Abrams
- Richard and Barbara Rosenfield
- Stephen and Carol Weiss
- *In honor of* the marriage of Zeev Saffir to Nikki Kopelson - Otto Waldmann and Phyllis Hofman Waldmann
- *In honor of* the milestone birthday of Allene Frost - Richard and Lois Werner
- *In memory of* Abe I. Yaffe, beloved father - Daniel Nast Jr. and Dolly Nast
- *In memory of* Alan Miller and with appreciation to Rabbi Kurtz - Judith Miller
- *In memory of* Alan Miller, beloved husband of Judith Miller
- Howard and Mindy Bain
- Richard and Barbara Rosenfield
- Karen Weiss
- *In memory of* Alice Genis, beloved sister - Amos and Edith Turner
- *In memory of* Ann Bernstein, beloved mother - Irwin and Sheri Mandel
- *In memory of* Anna Hirschfield, beloved grandmother - Marc and Brenda Wilkow
- *In memory of* Belle Kaplan and with appreciation to Rabbi Kurtz - Benton and Sandra Strauss
- *In memory of* Belle Kaplan, beloved mother of Sandra Strauss
- Michael and Helen Abrams
- Z. Samuel and Judith Bernstein
- Robert and Harriet Rosenman
- *In memory of* Bessie Talman, beloved mother - Leonard and Marjorie Birnbaum
- *In memory of* Betsy Grossman Leturno, beloved niece - Sally Aaron
- *In memory of* Betty Rosenberg, beloved grandmother - Scott and Maureen Chaikin
- *In memory of* Betty Wasserman, beloved grandmother - Michael and Debora Pinzur
- *In memory of* Beverly Grey, beloved mother of Jordan Grey - Donna and Harold Fluss
- *In memory of* Chana and Moshe Mirman, beloved mother and father - Elliot and Doris Mirman
- *In memory of* David Baitcher, beloved son-in-law - Ira and Deborah Rosenberg
- *In memory of* Dr. Irving Rozenfeld and with appreciation to Rabbi Kurtz - Betty Rozenfeld
- *In memory of* Dr. Leonard Favus, beloved father - Michael and Phyllis Sadoff
- *In memory of* Edgar Weiss, beloved brother - Stephen and Carol Weiss
- *In memory of* Elaine Vladem, beloved mother of Betty Ann Levin - Karen Weiss
- *In memory of* Eli Field, beloved father - Phillip and Sandra Cooper
- *In memory of* Eli Glassman, beloved husband - Joan Holland
- *In memory of* Elizabeth "Libby" Goldenberg, beloved mother - Harris and Sharon Goldenberg
- *In memory of* Ellen Bookman, beloved sister and aunt - Steven, Linda, Sara, Tim, Matt, Carly and Melissa Feinstein
- *In memory of* Ethel Karson, beloved mother - Sally Aaron
- *In memory of* Fay Zelman, beloved mother of Linda Lebovitz - Karen and Michael Kesner
- *In memory of* Florence Goldberg, beloved mother - Ronald and Eileen Goldberg

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## Rabbi Kurtz's Discretionary Fund (continued)

- *In memory of* Frank Pollack, beloved father - Mark and Susan Pollack
- *In memory of* George Berliant, beloved father of Wendy Kahn - Jerome and Mary Kaltman
- *In memory of* Goldie Vishny, beloved mother - Bernard and Elaine Reisin
- *In memory of* Helga Bierig, beloved mother of Judith Farby
- Jerome and Mary Kaltman
- Karen and Michael Kesner
- *In memory of* Helga Bierig, beloved mother, grandmother and great grandmother - Otto Waldmann and Phyllis Hofman Waldmann
- *In memory of* Herman Chudacoff, beloved father - Donald and Lois Chudacoff
- *In memory of* Isidor Mandel, beloved father - Irwin and Sheri Mandel
- *In memory of* Jack and Frances Landsman, beloved father and mother - Lois Moss
- *In memory of* Jacqueline Ripes and with appreciation to Rabbi Kurtz during a difficult time - Daniel and Ronit Ripes
- *In memory of* Joseph Birnbaum, beloved father - Leonard and Marjorie Birnbaum
- *In memory of* Joseph Brooks, beloved father - Donald and Lois Chudacoff
- Gloria Brooks Shapiro
- *In memory of* Joseph Rosen, beloved father - Leonard and Rochelle Foxman
- *In memory of* Judith Graham and with appreciation to Rabbi Kurtz - Michael and Dori Becker
- *In memory of* Judith Graham, beloved mother of Dori Becker
- Greg and Leslie Apter
- Jill and Bob Zimmerman
- *In memory of* Judith Silver, beloved sister-in-law - Bruce and Audrey Silver
- *In memory of* Kenneth Tursky, beloved father of Ellen Doppelt
- Gary and Merle Kaufman
- The Silberstein Family
- *In memory of* Lily Rosenberg, beloved mother - Ira and Deborah Rosenberg
- *In memory of* Louis Kaplan, beloved father - Wallace and Joan Dunn
- *In memory of* Louis Sherman, beloved father - Alvin Shulman
- *In memory of* Ludwig Blum, beloved father - Melvin and Lenore Blum
- *In memory of* Max Glassman, beloved father-in-law - Joan Holland
- *In memory of* Merwin Rosenberg, beloved father - Jerome and Mary Kaltman
- *In memory of* Meyer Reisin, beloved brother - Bernard and Elaine Reisin
- *In memory of* Mildred Rubenstein, beloved mother - Paul and Eileen Goldstein
- *In memory of* Muriel Kushner, beloved mother of Susan Pollack - Susan and Alan Resnick
- *In memory of* Nathan Rosenberg, beloved father - Ira and Deborah Rosenberg
- *In memory of* Newton Truger, beloved father - David and Julie Baum
- *In memory of* Reuben R. Stein, beloved father - Alan and Marcia Kaplin
- *In memory of* Robert Kupchick, beloved husband - Ruth Kupchick
- *In memory of* Ronald Kravitz and with appreciation to Rabbi Kurtz - Barry and Debra Kravitz
- *In memory of* Rose Fried, beloved mother - Edward and Sari Salinas
- *In memory of* Roz Ebstein and with appreciation to Rabbi Kurtz - Bernhard Ebstein
- *In memory of* Sam Rosenberg, beloved father - Michael J. and Sharon Rosenberg
- *In memory of* Sarah Epstein, beloved mother - Gerald and Adrienne Lasin
- *In memory of* Sarah Maleh, beloved sister - Jeanette Massey
- *In memory of* Sheldon Brottman and with appreciation to Rabbi Kurtz - Cissy Brottman
- *In memory of* Sherwin Fox, beloved father - Richard and Nadine Woldenberg
- *In memory of* Shirley Foxman, beloved mother of Leonard Foxman - Robert Guderian
- *In memory of* Shirley Foxman, beloved mother of Leonard Foxman and with appreciation to Rabbi Kurtz - Leonard and Rochelle Foxman
- *In memory of* Shirley Scheinman, beloved mother of Barbara Lansing - Michael and Karen Kesner
- *In memory of* Sol Gerkow, beloved father of Jodi Eisenstadt - Karen Weiss

**Rabbi Kurtz's Discretionary Fund  
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- *In memory of* Sylvia Lavin, beloved mother - Ira and Deborah Rosenberg
- *In memory of* Sylvia Maiman, beloved mother and grandmother - Steven and Linda Feinstein
- *In memory of* Yetta Rosenberg, beloved mother - Michael J. and Sharon Rosenberg
- *Wishing complete and speedy recovery to* Ernie Smolen - Richard and Barbara Rosenfield
- *Wishing complete and speedy recovery to* Malka Dodi Bat Sara Pesha - Marvin and Sara Siegel
- *With appreciation to* Rabbi Kurtz - Adam and Deborah Winick
- Ernest Smolen
- *In honor of* Gabriel Hamburg becoming a Bar Mitzvah and with appreciation to Rabbi Schwab - Jeff and Jaimy Hamburg

**Rabbi Schwab's Discretionary Fund**

- *In honor of* Gregory Moss's stone unveiling and with appreciation to Rabbi Schwab - Lois Moss
- *In memory of* Alan Miller, beloved husband of Judith Miller - Howard and Mindy Bain
- *In memory of* Allan Edward Solmor and with appreciation to Rabbi Schwab - Susan Solmor and Jane Mordini
- *In memory of* Burton R. Rosenberg, beloved father - Scott and Maureen Chaikin
- *In memory of* Dr. Irving Rozenfeld and with appreciation to Rabbi Schwab - Betty Rozenfeld
- *In memory of* Edith Levy, beloved grandmother - Michael and Lynn Froy
- *In memory of* Eleanor Rubinstein and with appreciation to Rabbi Schwab - Sherwin and Odette Rubinstein
- *In memory of* Ethel and Gilbert Levy, beloved mother and father - Adrian and Linda Winick
- *In memory of* Freda Decker, beloved mother - Laurence and Corinne Baskin
- *In memory of* Jeremy Sherman, beloved brother of Jonathan Sherman - Ruth Lion and David Rosenbloom
- *In memory of* Lillian Winick, beloved mother - Adrian and Linda Winick
- *In memory of* Mandel Rosenberg, beloved grandfather - Scott and Maureen Chaikin
- *In memory of* Morris Foxman, beloved father - Leonard and Rochelle Foxman
- *In memory of* Newton Truger, beloved father - David and Julie Baum
- *In memory of* Ronald Kravitz and with appreciation to Rabbi Schwab - Barry and Debra Kravitz
- *In memory of* Ronald Kravitz, beloved father of Barry Kravitz - Philip L. Lapin
- *In memory of* Roz Ebstein and with appreciation to Rabbi Schwab - Bernhard Ebstein
- *In memory of* Sarah Bichunsky, beloved mother - Philip and Doreen Feitelberg
- *In memory of* Sy Sterns, beloved father - Jay and Mindy Sterns
- *With appreciation to* Rabbi Schwab - Adam and Deborah Winick
- Thomas and Terri Gordon
- *With appreciation to* - Perry Granof

**Hazzan Tisser's Discretionary Fund**

- *In memory of* Allan Edward Solmar and with appreciation to Hazzan Tisser for a beautiful service - Susan Solmor and Jane Mordini
- *In memory of* Beverly Grey, beloved mother - Jordan and Beth Grey
- *In memory of* David Roytman and with appreciation to Hazzan Tisser - Cantor Pavel Roytman
- *In memory of* Jenó Galambos, beloved father - Joseph and Susan Adler
- *In memory of* Mae Cohen, beloved mother - Arthur and Lynn Cohen
- *In memory of* Natalie Bernstein, beloved sister - Robert and Sharon Abrams
- *In memory of* Rob Romanoff's beloved father - Brad and Marcie Pickard and Family

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**Hazzan Tisser's Discretionary Fund  
(continued)**

- *In memory of* Ronald Kravitz and with appreciation to Hazzan Tisser - Barry and Debra Kravitz  
- *In memory of* Ruth Cohen Siegel - Babette and Mark Daskin  
- *In memory of* Shirley Foxman, beloved mother, and with appreciation to Hazzan Tisser - Leonard and Rochelle Foxman

- *With appreciation to* Hazzan Tisser - Adam and Deborah Winick  
- *With appreciation to* Hazzan Tisser for a joyous weekend of Perfect Pitch - Eliezer Krumbein

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**Andrew and Gail Brown Technology  
Endowment Fund**

- *With appreciation* - I & G Charitable Foundation

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**Ann and Jack Weinberg  
Holocaust Memorial Education  
Endowment Fund**

- *In honor of* Rabbi Vernon Kurtz; with love on your special birthday - Pearl and Joel Kagan

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**Ba'al Korei Fund**

- *In memory of* Elaine Vladem, beloved sister of Betty Ann Levin - Howard Turner  
- *In memory of* Esther Leavitt, beloved mother of Josh Leavitt - Howard Turner  
- *In memory of* Helga Bierig, beloved mother of Judy Farby - Howard Turner  
- *In memory of* Jack Epstein, beloved father - Gerald and Adrienne Lasin

- *In memory of* Manfred Heimberg, beloved father of Irene Jacobsohn - Robin and Michael Shartiag  
- *In memory of* Norman Kozak, beloved friend - Gerald and Adrienne Lasin  
- *In memory of* Ronald Kravitz, beloved father of Barry Kravitz - Howard Turner

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**Beth El Camp Scholarship  
Endowment Fund**

- *In memory of* Abigail Rahne, beloved daughter of Steve and Hallie Prince - Patricia Shapiro

- *With appreciation* - NS Beth El Sisterhood

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**Camp Ramah General  
Endowment Fund**

- *In honor of* the marriage of Daniel and Lauren Schwartz - Sandy Starkman, Larry Pachter, Uri, Hollen and Avram

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**Continuing Education Fund**

- *In honor of* Mel Sered's 70th anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah - Larry Pachter and Sandy Starkman  
- *In memory of* Harold Siegel, beloved father - Dov and Eileen Kahana

- *In memory of* Sally Schechter's beloved sister - Judy Louis

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**Edward S. Frank Israel Study  
Memorial Endowment Fund**

- *In honor of* Phil Feitelberg's special birthday - Larry Pachter and Sandy Starkman

- *In honor of* Nessia Frank's birthday - Ben, Wendy, Leah, Shoshana and Dalya Frank

**Holocaust Memorial  
Endowment Fund**

- *In memory of* Leonard Weitz, beloved  
husband of Lynn Weitz - Wendy Pollack

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**Horwitz-Hoffman Youth Lounge  
Maintenance Endowment Fund**

- *In honor of* Barbara and David Hoffman's  
50th anniversary - Lee and Judith Shulman

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**Irving and Janet Robbin  
Scholar-in-Residence Program  
Endowment Fund**

- *In memory of* Fanny Schwartzberg, beloved  
grandmother - David and Karen Benson

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**Jack and Mildred Cohen Religious  
School Fund**

- *In honor of* the engagement of our son  
Kyle to Daryl Teicher - Larry and Susan  
Silberman

- *In memory of* Dorothy Hirschfield, beloved  
mother - Howard and Lois Hirschfield  
- *With appreciation* - Howard Turner

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**Jean T. and Morton Bernstein  
Camp Ramah Endowment Fund**

- *In memory of* Janet Robbin, beloved  
mother - David and Karen Benson

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**Joseph and Mae Gray Cultural  
and Learning Center Fund**

- *In memory of* Dr. Irving Rozenfeld,  
beloved husband of Betty Frankel  
Rozenfeld, beloved father of Deborah  
Dobrusin, Jonathan Rozenfeld and  
Ranna Rozenfeld, beloved grandfather  
of Nami Goldenberg, Yael Frankel and  
Shai Dobrusin, beloved brother-in-law  
of Herman Wexler - Gary Gordon and  
Marilyn Hirsch

- *In memory of* Florence Cohen, beloved  
mother - Mark and Marla Cohen  
- *In memory of* Pearle and Phil Cohen,  
beloved mother and father - Janet Cohen  
- *In memory of* Sol Gerkow, beloved father  
of Jodi Eisenstat - Gary Gordon and  
Marilyn Hirsch

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**Kopin Family Fund for Children's  
T'filot Education Endowment Fund**

- *With appreciation* - Jeff and Beth Kopin

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**Kurtz Family Youth  
Endowment Fund**

- *In memory of* Muriel Kushner, beloved  
mother of Susan Pollack - Debora and  
Michael Pinzur

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**Maxwell Abbell Library Fund**

- *In memory of* Barbara Pinsof, beloved  
mother of Diane Weil - Nancy and Larry  
Kekst

- *In memory of* Dr. Irving Rozenfeld -  
Herman Wexler

- *In memory of* Elaine Vladem, beloved  
sister of Betty Ann Levin - Herman Wexler

- *In memory of* Shirley Foxman, beloved  
mother of Leonard Foxman - Melvin and  
Roselynn Roseman

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## Mindy and Jeffrey Gordon and Family Unrestricted Endowment Fund

- *In honor of* Bruce Cowans' 60th birthday - Lawrence and Abby Block
- *In honor of* the birth of Maxine Simon's great grandson Hunter - Lawrence and Abby Block
- *In honor of* the marriage of Amos and Edith Turner's granddaughter Ashley to Eric Jacobson - Lawrence and Abby Block
- *In honor of* the marriage of Scott Bernstein to Carly Levin - Lawrence and Abby Block
- *In memory of* Beverly Grey, beloved father of Jordon Grey - Lawrence and Abby Block
- *In memory of* Judith Graham, beloved mother of Dori Becker - Lawrence and Abby Block
- *With appreciation* - Amos and Edith Turner

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## Minyan Service Fund

- *In memory of* Abe Frydman, beloved father of Morris Frydman - June Back Frydman
- *In memory of* Albert Wilensky, beloved father - Steven H. and Roberta Goodman
- *In memory of* Angela Saporta, beloved mother - Batia Eizikovic
- *In memory of* Bert Derdiger, beloved father - Carole and Stan Derdiger
- *In memory of* Dudley Derdiger, beloved brother - Carole and Stan Derdiger
- *In memory of* Estelle P. Harrison, beloved mother - Harriet Bernbaum
- *In memory of* Fanny Gertz, beloved mother - William and Sharon Gertz
- *In memory of* George B. Dunn, beloved father - Wallace and Joan Dunn
- *In memory of* Harry Bernbaum, beloved husband - Harriet Bernbaum
- *In memory of* Harry W. Rubinoff, beloved brother of Earl Rubinoff - William Dupuy
- *In memory of* Henrietta Derdiger, beloved mother - Carole and Stan Derdiger
- *In memory of* Hortense and Arthur Rubinoff, beloved mother and father of Earl Rubinoff - William Dupuy
- *In memory of* Ida Pollack, beloved mother-in-law - Joyce Pollack
- *In memory of* Judith Graham, beloved mother of Dori Becker - Patricia Shapiro
- *In memory of* Judy Harrison Leonard, beloved sister - Harriet Bernbaum
- *In memory of* Keren-Or Bernbaum, beloved daughter - Harriet Bernbaum
- *In memory of* Leo Farbman, beloved father - Mark and Laura Lieberman
- *In memory of* Leonard Weitz, beloved brother-in-law of Earl Rubinoff - William Dupuy
- *In memory of* Max Eckerling, beloved father - Sanford and Adrienne Eckerling
- *In memory of* Melvin Levin, beloved father - Jeffrey and Arlene Levin
- *In memory of* Mickey Derdiger - Carole and Stan Derdiger
- *In memory of* Mort Bloomberg, beloved father - Carole and Stan Derdiger
- *In memory of* Morton Shiner, beloved husband - Sonja Shiner
- *In memory of* Philip Zekowitz, beloved grandfather - Terry and Marla Grossberg
- *In memory of* Rose Ramek, beloved mother - Joyce Pollack
- *In memory of* Tillie Bloomberg, beloved mother - Carole and Stan Derdiger

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## Miriam and Bernard H. Sokol Hebrew High School Fund

- *In memory of* Barbara Pinsof, beloved mother of Diane Weil
- Linda and Michael Hope and Family
- Jennifer and Alan Levine
- *In memory of* Doris Charak, beloved friend - Jerome and Gail Taxy

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## Music Fund

- *In memory of* Jerry Blumberg's beloved nephew - Nancy and Larry Kekst
- *In memory of* Shirley Foxman, beloved mother of Leonard Foxman
- Kevin and Pat Baade
- Nancy and Larry Kekst
- *With appreciation to* Hazzan Tisser - Victoria Zell
- *With appreciation to* Jackie Melinger and all of her help with our family - Nancy and Larry Kekst
- *With appreciation to* Karen Kesner for her kindness, friendship and expertise - Nancy and Larry Kekst

**NSS Beth El Camp  
Scholarship Fund**

- *In honor of* the birth of Steve and Hallie Prince's son, Vincent Alexander - Patricia Shapiro  
 - *In memory of* Evelyn Eddin, beloved sister-in-law of Zella Ludwig - Bobbie and Len Tenner

- *In memory of* Muriel Kushner, beloved mother of Susan Pollack - Judy Schwartz

**Paul S. and Sylvia Steinberg  
Pre-School Fund**

- *In memory of* Irving S. Hirschfield, beloved father - Howard and Lois Hirschfield  
 - *In memory of* Jacqueline Ripes, beloved mother of Daniel Ripes - Caron and Jack Knopoff

- *In memory of* Maurice Sher, beloved father - Michael and Sara Sher  
 - *In memory of* Rose Sher, beloved grandmother - Michael and Sara Sher

**Prayer Book Fund**

- *In honor of* Eenie Frost's 90th birthday - Bruno and Ruth Fischer  
 - Betty Ann Levin  
 - *In honor of* Eileen Goldberg's special birthday - Bruno and Ruth Fischer  
 - *In honor of* Philip Feitelberg's special birthday - Madeleine and David Solomon  
 - *In memory of* Aaron M. Dlugie, beloved father - David and Joyce Dlugie  
 - *In memory of* Allan Miller, beloved husband of Judith Miller - Howard and Mindy Bain  
 - *In memory of* Charles and Gertrude Harris, beloved father and mother - Robert and Rhoda Rothman  
 - *In memory of* Eva Wittenberg, beloved mother-in-law - Iris Wittenberg  
 - *In memory of* Felix H. Wolf, beloved father - Mark and Julia Gerstein  
 - *In memory of* Freda Schaffel Siegel - Marvin and Sara Siegel

- *In memory of* Irving Fegenhols, beloved father - Iris Wittenberg  
 - *In memory of* Jeanette S. Ulman, beloved mother - Lillian Charney  
 - *In memory of* Max Wittenberg, beloved father-in-law - Iris Wittenberg  
 - *In memory of* Mildred Starkman, beloved mother - Sandy Starkman, Larry Pachter, Uri, Hollen and Avram  
 - *In memory of* Rosalyn Fegenhols, beloved mother - Iris Wittenberg  
 - *In memory of* Samuel Kaltman, beloved father - Jerome and Mary Kaltman  
 - *In memory of* Shane Zien Wolf - Mark and Julia Gerstein  
 - *In memory of* Sidney L. Starkman, beloved father - Sandy Starkman, Larry Pachter, Uri, Hollen and Avram

**Ritual Refurbishment  
Endowment Fund**

- *In honor of* Gabriel Hamburg becoming a Bar Mitzvah and with appreciation to Mark Stadler - Jeff and Jaimy Hamburg

**Sarah and Henry Stiebel Schechter  
Endowment Fund**

- *In honor of* Andrew Hochberg's 40th anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah - Larry Pachter and Sandy Starkman  
 - *In memory of* Jeremy Sherman, beloved brother of Jonathan Sherman - Karen Weiss  
 - *In memory of* Beverly Grey, beloved mother of Jordon Grey - Karen Weiss

- *In memory of* Dr. Irving Rozenfeld, beloved husband of Betty Frankel Rozenfeld, beloved father of Deborah Dobrusin, Jonathan Rozenfeld and Ranna Rozenfeld, beloved grandfather of Nami Goldenberg, Yael Frankel and Shai Dobrusin, beloved brother-in-law of Herman Wexler - Karen Weiss

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# Todah Rabbah

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## Sheldon and Nancy Mann Unrestricted Endowment Fund

- *In memory of* Belle and Henry Mann,  
beloved parents - Sheldon and Nancy Mann

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## Social Action Fund

- *In memory of* Manfred Heimberg - Irene,  
Jamie, Rachel, and Elana Jacobsohn

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## Special Gifts Fund

- *In memory of* Alan Miller, beloved  
husband of Judith Miller - Karen and  
Michael Kesner

- *In memory of* Barbara Pinsof, beloved  
mother of Diane Weil - Ronald and  
Lizzette Jacobson

- *In memory of* Ruth Siegel, beloved aunt -  
Robert and Fay Miller

- *In memory of* Shirley Scheinman, beloved  
mother of Barbara Lansing - Mark and  
Leslie Temkin

- *With appreciation* - Leon and Wendy Zar

- *With appreciation* - Sheldon Rothstein

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## Staff Recognition Fund

- *In honor of* NSSBE Staff  
- Larry Pachter and Sandy Starkman  
- NSS Beth El Men's Club

- *In memory of* Beverly Grey, beloved  
mother of Jordan Grey - Jeff and Lisa  
Rosenkranz

- *In memory of* Helga Bierig, beloved mother  
of Judy Farby - Jeff and Lisa Rosenkranz

- *Wishing a complete and speedy recovery*  
to Robert Engert, father of Elise Kline -  
Robert and Beth Footlik

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## Youth Community Fund

- *In honor of* my aliyah - Felissa Kreindler  
- *In honor of* my ark opening - Felissa  
Kreindler

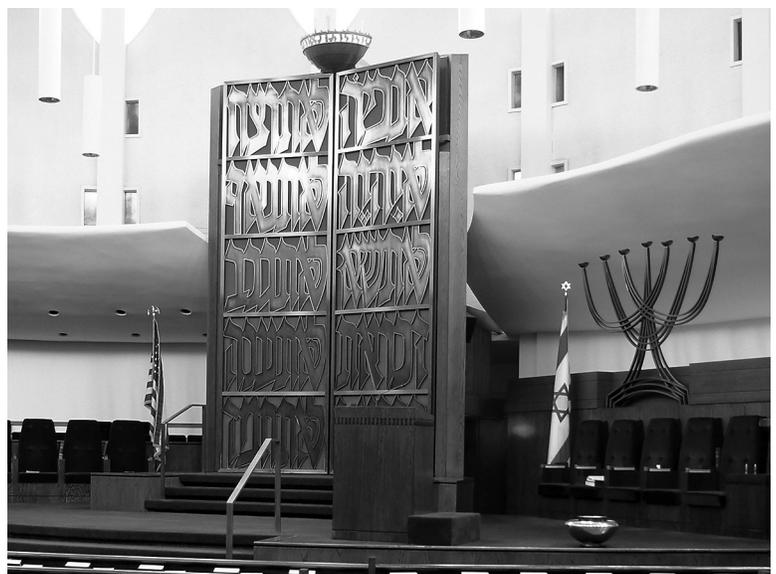
- *In memory of* Doris Charak - Ronnie Jo  
Sokol

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## Summer Shabbat Services

Summer Shabbat Services: Planning is now underway for summer Shabbat morning services at Beth El. Members of the Congregation will lead these services on the Shabbatot from June 18 through August 13. This is your opportunity to read a haftarah, present a D'var Torah, daven Shaharit or Musaf or lead services from the rabbi's lectern. Our professional staff is ready to assist anyone in brushing up on old skills or in acquiring new ones. Hazzan Ben Tisser can assist those volunteering to daven and he or Ritual Director Mark Stadler can aid those wishing to read a haftarah. If you want to present a D'var Torah, Rabbi Vernon Kurtz or Rabbi Michael Schwab can help you develop a topic and can guide you to sources and commentaries in English or Hebrew. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Larry Goldstein at 847-989-2384 or e-mail [largolds@comcast.net](mailto:largolds@comcast.net).



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# April 2016 Events Calendar

# Kol Beth El

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b> 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:56pm Candle Lighting 7:00pm Men's Club Congregational Dinner	<b>2</b> Men's Club Shabbat 8:50am Shabbat Services 6:45pm Mincha /Ma'ariv 8:01pm Shabbat Ends
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 12:30pm Sisterhood Board Meeting 6:00pm Men's Club Candle Packing 7:00pm USY Kinnus Pump Up Lounge Night 8:00pm Continuing Education Committee Mtg	<b>6</b> 9:30am Writer's Beit Midrash	<b>7</b> 12:00pm Study in the Suburbs 7:45pm Executive Committee Meeting	<b>8</b> 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00pm Bet Shabbat Oneg 7:04pm Candle Lighting	<b>9 Rosh Hodesh Nisan</b> 8:50am Shabbat Services Bat Mitzvah – Emma Fishbein 12:30pm Sisterhood Torah Fund Book Club 6:00pm Jewish Parenting Havurah 7:00pm Mincha /Ma'ariv 8:09pm Shabbat Ends
<b>10</b> 6:00pm JUF Event	<b>11</b> 8:00pm Ba'al Korei Institute Committee Meeting 8:00pm Board of Education Committee Meeting	<b>12</b> 6:00pm Dinner with the Rabbi	<b>13</b> 4:00pm College Box Packing	<b>14</b> 7:00pm Hartman Institute Class – Rabbi Kurtz	<b>15</b> 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:12pm Candle Lighting	<b>16</b> 8:50am Shabbat Services Blessing Our Babies Bat Mitzvah – Elena Gross 10:30am Gimmel/Dalet Family Service 7:00pm Mincha /Ma'ariv 8:17pm Shabbat Ends
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 7:45pm Ritual Committee Meeting	<b>19</b> 7:00pm USY Election Meeting	<b>20</b> 9:00am Preschool Pesach Seders 9:30am Writer's Beit Midrash 7:00pm Youth Chocolate Seder	<b>21</b> 7:45pm Board of Directors Meeting	<b>22 Erev Pesach/1st Seder</b> 6:45am Morning Minyan/ Siyym Bechorim 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:20pm Candle Lighting	<b>23 Pesach 1st Day/            2nd Seder</b> 8:50am Festival Shabbat Services 7:30pm Mincha /Ma'ariv 8:25pm Candle Lighting
<b>24 Pesach 2nd Day</b> 8:50am Festival Service 7:30pm Mincha /Ma'ariv 8:26pm Yom Tov Ends	<b>25 Hol Hamoed            Pesach</b> 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	<b>26 Hol Hamoed            Pesach</b> 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	<b>27 Hol Hamoed            Pesach</b> 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:30pm Evening Minyan	<b>28 Hol Hamoed            Pesach</b> 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:26pm Candle Lighting 7:30pm Mincha /Ma'ariv	<b>29 Pesach 7th Day</b> 8:50am Festival Service 7:27pm Candle Lighting 7:30pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat	<b>30 Pesach 8th Day/            Yizkor</b> 8:50am Shabbat Services 7:30pm Mincha /Ma'ariv 8:32pm Yom Tov Ends

### NSSBE Staff

Vernon Kurtz, Rabbi  
 Michael Schwab, Rabbi  
 Benjamin A. Tisser, Hazzan  
 Mark Stadler, Ritual Director  
 Chuck Kahalnik, Executive Director  
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Caron Knopoff, Pre-School Director  
 Ali Drumm, Director of Informal Education  
 Rachel Kamin, Director of the Cultural and Learning Center  
 Nancy Kekst, Director of Development  
 Samantha Isenstein, Youth Community Director

March 2016 Events Calendar

# Kol Beth El

Address Service Requested

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> 7:45pm Sisterhood Board Meeting	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 12:00pm Study in the Suburbs 2:00pm Afternoon @ the Movies 7:45pm Executive Committee Meeting	<b>4</b> 5:24pm Candle Lighting 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00pm Bet Shabbat Oneg	<b>5</b> 8:50am Shabbat Services Bar Mitzvah – Ryan Hecht 9:15am Beit Midrash Minyan 12:00pm Hey Family Luncheon 5:15pm Mincha /Ma'ariv 6:29pm Shabbat Ends 7:30pm Pharaoh's Daughter Concert
<b>6</b> 9:30am Bagels for Your Brains Candidate Forum	<b>7</b> 10:00am Sisterhood Torah Fund Luncheon 8:00pm Board of Education Committee Meeting	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 9:30am Writer's Beit Midrash 5:30pm Preschool Shema PJ Party	<b>10 Rosh Hodesh Adar II</b> 7:00am Morning Minyan 7:00pm Hartman Institute Class – Rabbi Kurtz	<b>11 Rosh Hodesh Adar II</b> 7:00am Morning Minyan 5:33pm Candle Lighting 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat	<b>12</b> 8:50am Shabbat Services Bat Mitzvah – Rosie Ezgur 10:30am Gimmel/Dalet Family Service 12:30pm Sisterhood Torah Fund Book Club 5:30pm Mincha /Ma'ariv 6:38pm Shabbat Ends
<b>13</b> <b>Daylight Saving Time Begins</b> 10:30am Havurah Coffee Event 11:45am Ba'al Korei Institute Event	<b>14</b> 8:00pm Ba'al Korei Institute Committee Meeting	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 7:45pm Board of Directors Meeting	<b>18</b> 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:41pm Candle Lighting	<b>19</b> 8:50am Shabbat Services 10:30am Gimmel/Dalet Family Service 6:30pm Mincha /Ma'ariv 7:46pm Shabbat Ends
<b>20</b> 11:30am Purim Carnival	<b>21</b> 7:45pm CLC Committee Meeting 7:45pm Ritual Committee Meeting	<b>22</b>	<b>23 Fast of Esther/ Megillah Reading</b> 9:30am Writer's Beit Midrash 5:00pm Family Megillah Experience 6:40pm Mincha /Ma'ariv/ Adult Megillah Reading 7:00pm Family Megillah Reading 8:15pm Purim Seudah	<b>24 Purim</b> 6:30am Shacharit/Megillah Reading	<b>25</b> 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:48pm Candle Lighting	<b>26</b> 8:50am Shabbat Services Bar Mitzvah – Samuel Zacks 10:30am Gimmel/Dalet Family Service 6:30pm Mincha /Ma'ariv 7:53pm Shabbat Ends
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		

## Summer Shabbat Service Honoring Multi-Generation Memberships June 25, 2016

The summer service of June 25 will be a special service honoring those families who have multi-generation memberships. The service is being sponsored by the Hazak Senior committee, Ritual committee and Membership committee. If you would like to participate in the service and have any questions, please contact Kathy in the office at [kstinson@nssbethel.org](mailto:kstinson@nssbethel.org) or 847-432-8900 ext. 229.