CONNECTIONS

March/April 2021

BETH SHOLOM CONGREGATION





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Upon assuming office in July, I laid out for the Board my five highest goals for the coming year. One of those goals was to enhance the membership experience for our congregants.

Over the summer I participated in many virtual sessions to hear firsthand what congregants felt could be done to improve their experience at Beth Sholom. One of the most common suggestions I heard was that members wanted to have the opportunity to participate on various committees or social groups within the congregation. However, when they inquired about joining, they often did not feel welcomed.

It would be a tremendous loss for this congregation if we were not to utilize the wide array of talent that we have available to us. Moreover, at a time when many of us are feeling disengaged from the world, Beth Sholom provides the perfect opportunity to "get connected" in a meaningful way. Therefore, you will see in the coming months an initiative undertaken by our various committees and social groups to reach out to the membership at large and encourage their involvement. The details of this plan will soon be made available and may already have been announced by the time you read this report.

I hope that all those persons who are looking to get involved will do so and help to strengthen Beth Sholom. We want you and we need you!

Please accept my best wishes for a Happy Passover.

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

EVERY WEEK @ BETH SHOLOM

Morning Minyan 9:00am, Sunday 7:30am, Monday-Friday

Evening Minyan 7:00pm, Sunday-Thursday

Shabbat Services 6:00pm, Friday; 10:00am, Shabbat See our calendar at www.bethsholomcongregation.org for Havdallah times. Jewish Mindful Meditation with Carol Nemeroff 7:30pm, Monday; 10:00am, Wednesday

Mitzvah Food Pantry – Volunteers always needed 1:00pm and 6:00pm, Wednesday

Alone No More with Steve Perlman 7:00pm, Wednesday

Current Events with Bob Rubin 10:00am, Thursday

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SAT **20**

Bat Mitzvah of Sian Heilveil

1UE **23**

6:00pm

Beth Sholom Preservation Foundation presents Beyond Wright: Exploring Architectural Treasures in our Community hosted by retired University of Pennsylvania Architect, David Hollenberg

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7:30am

Virtual Morning Minyan with Siyyum B'chorot (special learning to fulfill the Fast of the First Born)

^{FRI} 26

8:30 am

Biur Hametz – Burning Hametz (in person). Join us in our parking lot as we burn the last of our hametz and then roast marshmallows. (pre-registration needed)

12:30 pm

Passover Dinner pick up for those who pre-ordered

No hametz eaten after 11:00 am

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6:00pm

Erev Passover and 1st Seder – Limmud (learning) and Mourner's Kaddish

Candle lighting 8:02 pm

SUN **28**

1ST DAY PASSOVER AND 2ND SEDER

10:00am

In person Passover Services (pre-registration needed). Also via Live Stream.

6:30pm

Community Seder with Cantor Agar (Mourner's Kaddish will be recited) (pre-registration needed)

Candle lighting 8:03pm

^{MON} 29

2ND DAY PASSOVER

9:00am

Passover Services via Zoom

7:00pm Evening Minyan

MON-FRI
MAR 29 - APR 2

Early Learning Closed

TUE-FRI MAR 30-APR 2 Hol HaMoed Passover (intermediate days of Passover)

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

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FRI 2

6TH DAY PASSOVER

12:30pm

Shabbat Passover dinner pick up for those who pre-ordered

6:00pm

Virtual Kabbalat Shabbat Services followed by dinner and Zoom conversation

SAT

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7TH DAY PASSOVER

10:00am Shabbat Services

6:00pm

Limmud and Mourner's Kaddish



8TH DAY PASSOVER

9:00am

Passover Services and Yizkor

(in person - pre-registration needed)

7:45 pm

Evening Service to end Passover

Hametz may be eaten after 8:05pm

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Shabbat Services and Havdallah followed by a Beit Café (Coffee House) in tribute to Rabbi Merow as we say goodbye and honor her legacy and impact on Beth Sholom

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Men's Club Guys' Night In



Bar Mitzvah of Charlie Mansheim



Helene's Heroes Red Cross Blood Drive

CONGREGATIONAL ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

We recognize that engaging and retaining our current members is the essence of our existence as a vibrant, caring, and inclusive community. While continuing to reach out for new members, our focus will be on having more intimate conversations with our existing constituency and developing programming that meets their wants and needs, so that Beth Sholom Congregation becomes more central in their lives.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

- 'Tov Talks' (Beth Sholom's very own version of TED Talks), an intergenerational happy hour
- Weekly Shabbat Star program (families may submit videos of Shabbat candle lighting to be shared with the congregation)
- Check-in and holiday calls to congregants
- Parent Survival Kit delivery to parents of preschoolers and 7th-12th graders
- Questions, ideas, or interested in joining us? Contact CEC Co-Chairs Danielle Otero at Danielle.Ava.Otero@gmail.com or Anne Rubin at micymouse4@gmail.com



Sometimes, it begins with a dream.

Almost a decade ago, Rabbi Merow and I were given the opportunity to dream big. To think about how to create ways for people to connect with their Jewish spirituality in non-traditional ways; to think about de-stigmatizing issues around mental health to create opportunities for those who so often suffer in silence to learn about resources in mental health; and to gain strength from others who understand the challenges of dealing with mental health issues to be there to support one another.

With the generosity of a donor who wishes to continue to remain anonymous, the Center for Spiritual Well-Being (CSWB) was born. Over the years, the CSWB has been a driving force for educating about mental health challenges. We provided a forum for advocacy on how to destigmatize mental health challenges. We continue to sponsor a music therapy program for those dealing with Alzheimer's and their caregivers called Music for the Mind with Rabbi Beth Janus. We have had seminars on dealing with teenagers who suffer from anxiety; seminars on how to cultivate self-acceptance; workshops on relating to one another from our most authentic places; Jewish approaches to addiction and recovery; how to approach the aging process with clarity and courage; and thinking about how to care for our souls during the long months of a pandemic.

The CSWB has also functioned as a laboratory for charting new pathways to Jewish spirituality and Jewish learning. Our alternative services on the High Holidays; chanting and meditation services, Spa for the Soul, mindfulness classes with Carol Nemeroff; yoga with Amanda Groen; drawing as meditation with Debra Kapnek; how to approach the process of retiring with Steve Goldberg; Jewish wisdom for the aging process with Rabbi Dayle Friedman; Jewish chanting as a path to prepare our souls for the holidays with Rabbi Vivi Mayer; Torah yoga with Rabbi Leah Weissman; and programs on Jewish teachings on death and dying with Rabbi Simcha Raphael.

Now it is time for the CSWB to think about its next iteration—CSWB 2.0. We are committed to be a force for good in educating about mental health challenges and to provide support for those who need it. We are committed to becoming the place where Jewish seekers will find a home. But we are also committed to bringing fresh ideas to what the CSWB can become in order to serve not only the needs of our current Beth Sholom members, but those who are still seeking their Jewish home.

If you have ideas about what you would like to see taking place through our CSWB, please be in touch with Stacey Salsman, the Administrative Director of the CSWB at ssalsman@ bethsholomcongregation.org. We want your ideas for heart desires, and for what your mind needs. Help be a part of the future of the CSWB by letting us know how we can be a part of your soul's deepest longings.

IN BLESSING Rabbi Andrea Merow

Sharing My Torah

Some ask why observe Jewish Tradition, or why be steeped in the texts of our ancient rabbis? What will they do for me or for you? I believe that we are so fortunate to have inherited so many sacred texts that give us a road map for how to lead a life filled with meaning. This is the important question: how can our time in this world be a force for good and how can we bring healing and redemption to others and to the world? Our rich textual Tradition teaches us how to live a life of meaning.

Over the past years we have had many opportunities to share Torah with each other. I want to once again share with you my "back-pocket text," a teaching that I find so compelling that I literally try to keep a copy with me in my pocket. The midrash, a rabbinic story, is based on a verse in Psalms 118:

Open the gates of righteousness for me that I may enter them and praise the Lord. This is the gateway to the Lord — the righteous shall enter through it."

Pitchu li sha'are tzedek, avo-vam o-deh-Yah. Zeh ha sha'are L'Adoni, tzadikim Ya-vo-uvo. Decades ago, my teacher Danny Siegel shared a somewhat obscure midrash based on this verse. The text dates back to at least before the 11th century, but some say it is older. It asks the question of the verse in Psalms, how would one be permitted to enter into "the world to come", another phrase for heaven, at the end of one's life?

The story goes:

"In the world to come, (at the time of judgement) each person will be asked: What was your melacha? (I translate melacha as sacred work. It could be your job or your volunteer endeavors.)

If the person answers: "I fed the hungry," They say to that person: "This the gate of one who feeds the hungry; enter it."

Another says: "I gave water to the thirsty;" they say to that person: This is the gate of one who gives water to the thirsty; enter it."

And similarly, for those who clothe the naked, raise orphans, and do acts of loving kindness. And also for all mitzvot.

(King) David said, "I did all of these, open all of the gates for me." And that is why the Psalm says, "Open for me the gates of righteousness and I shall enter them."

Midrash Tehillim 109



מדרש תהילים ק"ט:י"ג
פתחו לי שערי צדק. לעולם הבא אומר
לו לאדם מה היתה מלאכתך והוא אומר
מאכיל רעבים הייתי. והם אומרים לו זה
השער של מאכיל רעבים הכנס בו. אחר
אומר משקה צמאים הייתי והם אומרים
לו זה השער של משקה צמאים הכנס
בו. וכן למלביש ערומים ומגדל יתומים
ולגומל חסדים. וכן לכל המצוות. אמר
דוד אני עשיתי את כולם פתחו לי את
כולם. לכך אומר פתחו לי שערי צדק

Feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, clothing those in need, raising orphans, doing redemptive acts of loving kindness and doing mitzvot are concrete actions. We can fill our days with these acts. We can feed and clothe people and we can fill our lives with opportunities to do many mitzvot.

And we can also see each one as a metaphor for how to live in this world, before we get to the world to come. The midrash is teaching us to help those who are hungry for anything: food, community, or meaning. We can give drink to those who thirst for community, and we can bring Torah to others and quench their thirst for knowledge. We can see our performance of acts of loving kindness and of mitzvot as a way to bring about redemption.

Maybe these acts won't bring about a fully redeemed world, but possibly our striving to keep these acts as everyday goals in our life can bring some redemption and meaning to our own lives. And if we are fortunate, we will get to help heal a small part of the world.

We each recognize that living in the world while striving to bring healing to the world can be trying. We need to remember another important rabbinic teaching: "It is not your duty to complete the work. It is not up to you to finish it. But neither are you free to desist from it." (Pirke Avot 2:16) The message is: the work is hard but keep at it.

Living in this sacred Beth Sholom community gives each of us opportunities to engage in the work written about in our midrash. Feel free to make a copy of this text and keep it with you as a reminder of what The Holy One of Blessing is asking of us. Living in a time where there is brokenness and pain in the world makes the need for our actions even greater. This is a community of hesed, of loving kindness, and I am certain that each one of you will continue to bring healing to the world through your words and your deeds, and that each one of you will help "Open the Gates of righteousness."





Message for Passover

Passover is one of the Shalosh Regalim, or Three Pilgrimage Festivals, which Jews observe each year, the other two being Sukkot and Shavuot. Each of these Festivals is accompanied by the reading of one of the five Megillot (scrolls), each with fascinating connections to the theme of the Festival. On Sukkot we read Kohelet (Ecclesiastes), an exploration of the meaning, mystery and transience of life. On Passover we read Shir HaShirim (Song of Songs), a beautiful collection of agricultural love poetry. On Shavuot we turn to the Book of Ruth, also with agricultural themes, this one being a love story about faith, devotion and the origins of King David's lineage.

For now, I want to focus on Passover, which has an interesting relationship to Song of Songs. Its a holiday which celebrates Spring and new beginnings, just as Song of Songs is set in spring while celebrating a newly developing relationship. At one point, the Song of Songs was a little controversial because the poetry is very sensual and has no mention of God or anything religious. Nevertheless, Rabbi Akiva of the Talmud believed it to be the Holy of Holies, reading in these poems an allegory for God's relationship with the people of Israel, and believing that the poems express the need to love and worship God with feeling, yearning and beauty, rather than just mechanically. With this interpretation, Song of Songs and Passover both explore the relationship of God with the people of Israel, including the highs and the lows.

Modern scholars assert, though, that Song of Songs is meant to be read with a dual nature — both as secular love poetry (between two people), and as an allegory (between God and Israel) — and that both interpretations are valid and with merit. Our tradition is full of non-allegorical interpretations of Song of Songs — for example we sing the verses Dodi Li and say Ani l'dodi v'dodi li at weddings, a celebration of love between two people. Additionally, much of the early secular music and poetry from modern day Israel was heavily inspired by Song of Songs.

The trop of the Three Pilgrimage Festivals is unique and, in the Ashkenazi tradition, has a light, melodic and simple quality which emphasizes its accompaniment of romantic, agricultural texts. It is arguably the easiest trop system to learn and sing, because it is so melodic and simple.

I am wishing everyone a wonderful Pesach and Shavuot!



BE A BETH SHOLOM SHABBAT STAR!

While the ongoing pandemic continues to prevent us from celebrating Shabbat in person, we are hoping you can help us greet the Sabbath from your home each Friday night.

We would like to invite you to submit a video in which you light the Shabbat candles and recite the blessing over the candles.

The video does not have to be long – 60 seconds – but we would like for you to introduce yourself and your family to the congregation. You can record the video from your cell phone. The video will be included in our Thursday morning weekly email to the congregation.

Below, please see the link of Anne and Harvey Rubin as an example:

www.youtube.com/watch?reload=9&v=-Llsrqf98c0&feature=youtu.be

Please email the video directly or send a link to Stacey at ssalsman@bethsholomcongregation.org. Please let her know if you have any questions.

Thanks so much for your willingness to be part of this exciting project to deepen our sense of community and to prepare for the Sabbath each week during these extraordinary times.

Sincerely,
Anne Rubin and Danielle Otero, CEC co-chairs

A WORD FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Robin Minkoff

Dear Beth Sholom Community,

I love everything about *Pesach*/Passover in all of the ways we refer to it:

Z'man Cheruteynu / **Season of our Freedom.** The story of the People of Israel's Exodus from Egypt is the cornerstone of Judaism, as the words and themes of the Haggadah reverberate in our liturgy and other holidays throughout the year.

Chag HaPesach/ Festival of the Pesach Sacrifice. We find the origins of the mezuzah rituals in the ancient action of putting blood from a sacrificial lamb or goat on our doorposts, a symbol and custom that allows us to represent our trust in G-d in the modern day.

Chag HaMatzot / Festival of Matzah. How did this simple wheat and water recipe come to be both the "bread of affliction" and the "bread of freedom"? Humans decide whether it will stand long enough to become leavened before it is baked and, therefore, whether it will represent servitude or liberty.

Chag HaAviv/ Festival of Spring. At this time of year, we experience nature's breaking free from the hardness of winter, and when we read the Magid section of the Haggadah – sometimes sharing our personal stories of transition and possibility – we may feel similarly renewed.

With Pesach's many rich and meaningful traditions, I feel deeply connected to the "Matzah of Hope" rituals which to me embody the essence of the holiday: innovation, faith, and possibility.

To ensure that the Jews of the Soviet Union might know that they had not been forgotten and that all Jews are connected across geography and time, in March 1972, the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, the Commission on Soviet Jewry and Board of Rabbis of Southern California, and the Pittsburgh Conference on Soviet Jewry, urged that the reading called the "Matzah of Hope" be recited in public seders, in congregations, and in home seders. It was also suggested that an empty chair be set aside at each seder to dramatize the plight of the 40 Jewish prisoners of conscience at that time.

Even though I was quite young then, I still understood the contrast between our family's life experiences and theirs. I wondered about the circumstances that might prevent them from ever attending a seder. These new rituals at my family's seders were both strange (an empty chair at a beautifully set table?) and familiar (delving into a story of imprisonment) and perfectly matched the historically rooted empathy that seders were designed to conjure in us. We read:

"This is the 'Matzah of Hope.' This matzah, which we set aside as a symbol of hope for the Jews of the Soviet Union, reminds us of the indestructible links that exist between us..."

While those Soviet Jewish prisoners of conscience were released long ago, the poignancy of the "Matzah of Hope" rituals and their call to symbolically strengthen the power of human connection across space and time continues to resonate with me. This year, we do not need to set an empty chair at our seders to remind us of the toll that the pandemic and other troubles in our lives have wrought. Instead, as we delve into the Haggadah, may we find comfort in the story of our People's transition from slavery to freedom, and may we introduce into our seders innovative rituals that inspire personal and communal healing, peace of mind, and a renewed sense of hope.

Chag kasher v'sameach, Happy Passover and stay well,

Robin

P.S. How are you? You and your families remain at the forefront of the minds of our staff. Our names and phone extensions are listed through this issue of Connections, at the bottoms of our congregation-wide emails, and on our website. Our phones at Beth Sholom auto-forward to our respective cell phones; if we do not answer when you call, please leave messages and we will return them. To reach me about any matter, please call 215-887-1342 x107 or send me an email at rminkoff@bethsholomcongregation.org. We want to know how you are and we want to support you, always.

The staff is talking about

Favorite Seder Memories

My favorite seder memory is a story: My grandparents lived in Logan and there was a homeless man named Izzy to whom they always gave food. When we got to the part in the seder where you open the door for Elijah, there was Izzy! Although I don't remember the actual event, someone still tells that story every year.

Julie Atchick, ext. 216
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My most cherished Passover memories are listening to my mother, grandmother, aunts and great aunts in our kitchen laughing and telling stories of earlier years. Whose brisket or chicken was overdone, who made the best matza ball, etc....

They would gather early in the morning and cook all day, the house was filled with laughter and love

- Emily Wright, ext. 105 ewright@bethsholomcongregation.org

My maiden name was Wolfe. My grandfather Haze Wolfe was one of thirteen brothers and sisters. His siblings and their families (including me) belonged to the "Wolfe Kith and Kin". Every Passover seder we would all gather for dinner in a big hall and take turns reading from the Haggadah. After the meal, all the kids including me would search for the afikomen. And no matter who found it, a sweet uncle would make sure each one of us kids received a dollar bill. I can still "see" his smile as he sat at the front of the head table.

Susan Weinberg, ext. 104sweinberg@bethsholomcongregation.org

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I remember as an adult we still used a kids' Haggadah for the seder and went around the table reading the different parts. Happy Passover.

- Terry Straus, ext. 100 tstraus@bethsholomcongregation.org

My favorite Passover memory is a tradition... when we were little, my cousins and brothers and I would sneakily steal the place cards of our family members. We would then collect them and meet after dinner in the basement to share our treasures. We would declare a winner of who got not only the most cards but also who got the "best" cards. Points were awarded for degree of difficulty in the taking and also for "popular" family members such as young adult cousins or babies. To this day, seeing the place cards set at our seder table brings me joy!

Andrea Otto, ext. 222aotto@bethsholomcongregation.org

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My favorite Pesach memory was that the search for the afikoman was never too difficult at my family's seder growing up. My grandfather chose the same hiding spot every seder, every year – right underneath the tablecloth in front of him! My sister, cousins and I would plead every year for him to find a new hiding spot – somewhere that would require at least some effort in searching. Those pleas, though, didn't work and every year it was hidden in the same spot! Looking back, I suppose he just wanted to make sure everyone would succeed and that we'd all be winners.

Stacey Salsman, ext. 109
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About ten years ago I invited our new family, my son's in-laws, to our Seder for the first time. Of course, I wanted it to be perfect! I paid extra attention to having a beautiful table, making special Passover recipes, etc. All was going very well, and we were having a lovely seder. Then, the doorbell rang. At the door were two unexpected guests, in full costume. I should say disguises, because at first, we had no idea who was there dressed liked Moses and Miriam, arriving exactly at the appropriate time in the telling of the story. It was two very dear friends who decided to surprise us. How many people would do this! We were delighted to add two extra seats at the table for Moses and Miriam and had a Seder that we will never forget.

- Eileen Weingram, ext. 223 eweingram@bethsholomcongregation.org

PRESERVATION FOUNDATION

The Pennsylvania
Historical and Museum
Commission awarded a
Keystone Grant for the
restoration of the original
Bimah furniture designed
by Frank Lloyd Wright.



Brian Boland of Boland
Woodworking has begun
removal of the first pieces of
furniture to begin the project.
Visit the Preservation website
(bethsholompreservation.org)
to follow the progress of the
work.

For more information about the Preservation Foundation or to schedule a tour, please contact Jill Rosen, Director, Tours and Marketing, at 215-887-1342 x227 or jrosen@ bethsholompreservation.org.



Beth Sholom Preservation Foundation Lecture Series **Beyond Wright: Exploring Architectural Treasures in our Community**

Please join us for a compelling webinar with University Architect, University of Pennsylvania (retired) Adjunct Professor, Historic Preservation, Weitzman School of Design, University of Pennsylvania

David Hollenberg

WHAT TO DO WITH A MODERN MASTERPIECE: PRESERVING THE 1950'S BUILDINGS OF LOUIS KOHN AND EERO SAARINEN AT PENN

Tuesday, March 23 6:00-7:00pm

Join the Beth Sholom Preservation Foundation for the second in a series of live streamed interactive conversations offering digital audiences an exciting new avenue to learn about topics related to the architecture and historic preservation.

This event will feature David Hollenberg exploring two mid-Century

masterpiece buildings on the University of Pennsylvania's campus. These treasures have unique preservation and restoration challenges that mirror some of the issues facing Beth Sholom.





NOTE SPECIAL START TIMES (EST) FOR SERVICES:

9:30AM: Services starting promptly with Psukei D'Zimra. Virtual tributes will be included throughout morning services.

8:00PM: Havdalah followed by Beit Cafe (Coffee House): 'The Rabbi Merow Experience': a lively celebration of Rabbi Merow's years at Beth Sholom Congregation.

BETH SHOLOM CONGREGATION Family News

BIRTHS

Marlane and Harvey Guttmann on the birth of their granddaughter, Ella Lillian Lewis, daughter of Allison Guttmann and Corey Lewis.

Rebecca and Mitch Harris and big brother Max on the birth of their daughter and sister, Sidra Rose Harris. Sharing in their joy are grandparents Holly and Bob Lankin and Risa Harris; Aunts Andrea Lankin and Leah Garber, and Aunt Heather Olson; cousins Alex and Zoe Olson; great-grandmother Florence Perelman; and great-uncle Harvey and Aunt Ilene Perelman.

Joan and Richard Heller on the birth of their granddaughter, Ada Kay Heller, daughter of Jesse and Carly Heller. Joining in their happiness are Ada's brother, Nolan, Aunt Cara, and Uncle Toby.

Shelley and Carl Hittinger and Sarah and Matthew Taitelman and Enzo and Jesse Taitelman on the birth of their granddaughter, niece, and cousin Fiona Lilian Bateman, daughter of Abbie and Jon Batemen.

Anita and Ken Morgan on the birth of their granddaughter, Ava Rael (named in Hebrew Aviva Rael), daughter of Stephanie and Eric Silverman. Also, sharing in the joy are grandparents Lyn and Alan Silverman.

DEATHS

Gilbert S. Cohen, *z"l*, husband of Rhoda Cohen; father of congregant David Cohen (Mindy Saifer), Amy Cohen Blum (Rabbi Barry Blum), and Marian Cohen (Evjatar Cohen); and grandfather of Emmy Cohen, Julie Cohen, Molly Cohen, Ira Blum (Risa Waldoks), Shoshana Blum, Leonie Cohen, and Becky Cohen.

Harriet (nee Norsoph) Finestone, *z"l*, devoted wife of 73 years to Gerald Finestone, *z"l*; loving mother of congregant Fern (Neil) Mittin and Mark (Sandy) Finestone; adoring grandmother of Stacey (Andrew) Salsman, Jamie (Adam) Liebman, Jared Finestone, and Melissa Finestone, and cherished great grandmother of Victoria and Sadie Salsman, Sophie and Emma Liebman, Jayce Dutill, and Alexis Zawojski.

DEATHS (continued)

Rabbi Fredric Kazan, *z"l*, father of Liebe (Bob), Dede (Bruce), Adam (Becca), Faith and Linda; grandfather of Ari, Danny, Shira, Ezra, Noah, Teddy (Jenny), Jeff (Kelly), and Greg; and, great-grandfather of Daphne and Rebecca.

Loretta Myerov, z"l, wife of Joseph Myerov and longtime member of the Beth Sholom Sisterhood Board; mother of Anita Yampolsky (Dr. Harry Yampolsky), Neil Myerov (Joan), and Benjamin Myerov (Susan); and grandmother of Aaron Yampolsky, Micah Myerov, Megan Myerov (Robert), and Celia Myerov, and great-grandson Sebastian.

Gittel Shoshana bas Tovah, mother of Rachel.

Richard Stulman, z"l, long-time Beth Sholom member and former Men's Club Board member and trustee, husband of Jacqueline Stulman; father of Jennifer Bradbury (Jeff Bradbury), Joshua Stulman (Cindy Saavedra), Michele Stulman (Mike Selser), and Aaron Stulman (Lauren McCrery); grandfather of Haya Rose Stulman, Christopher Bradbury, Robert Bradbury, Sara Bradbury, Asher McCrery Stulman; and uncle of Evan Stark and Elizabeth Stark.

Shoshana Wollman, z"l, mother of Ofra (Marek) Milbar.

ENGAGEMENTS

Gail and Sidney Bernstein on the engagement of their daughter Courtney to Alex Vasserman from Queens, NY.

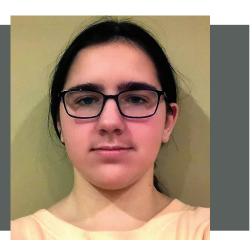
Family News

UPCOMING BAT MITZVAH

Sian Yael Heilveil

Daughter of Phyllis Whitman and Eric Heilveil

March 20



Sian is a member of the Class of 2025 at Jack M. Barrack Hebrew Academy where she enjoys many subjects including Tanakh, art, Core and math. Sian participates in karate after school. She is also interested in the study of Japanese Anime. Sian spends her summers at Camp Ramah in the Poconos, like her parents did when they were young. During the summer she also visits her family in Israel. Sian is the granddaughter of Matila Whitman, Rachel and Alan Whitman, and Sylvia and Barrie Heilveil, *z"l*.



UPCOMING BAR MITZVAH

Charlie Mansheim
Son of Helene and Aaron Mansheim
April 24

Charlie is a seventh grade student at Jack M. Barrack Hebrew Academy, where his favorite subjects are math and science. Charlie enjoys spending time with family and friends and playing video games. He loves to read in his spare time, especially Percy Jackson and The Olympians series. During the summer, Charlie loves to visit Ocean City, NJ with his family and he attends science camps. He has a sister, Claire, and his grandparents are Carol and Len Lebowitz and Renee and Paul Mansheim.



Gala Concert featuring Six13

honoring Everyday Heroes

May 23, 2021 • 5:00pm

Join us for an unforgettable afternoon with great friends and Six13.

This year we honor our everyday heroes who day in and day out have put their lives on the line for us.

We invite you to dedicate your ad space to your hero and acknowledge and express your gratitude to them. Sponsoring our virtual concert helps Beth Sholom serve our community. We look forward to re-opening with your support.

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Seeing my teachers and friends – I have so much fun learning prayers, Hebrew, and about holidays and Israel!

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I love learning music with the Cantor, especially the great songs for all the holidays.

 Eva Menaged, 1st grade, daughter of Regina Ravasco and Phil Menaged I love seeing my friends, especially now, and being able to "hang out" with them at Etgar.

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There are so many fun activities with our teachers and with the whole school, like our "trip" to see sukkahs in Israel and doing funny dances for Purim

- Tali Koko, 3rd grade, daughter of Tobi and Jordan Koko



Snack – because I like to learn about the Hebrew month, the Hebrew word of the week, the blessings over the food we eat and sing Hatikvah and Birkat HaMazon.

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MITZVOT B'YACHAD SOCIAL ACTION

Save the Date

Thursday, May 6 at 7:30pm

Mitzvot B'Yahad and the Hittinger Family will co-sponsor the virtual Annual Reitenberg Memorial Program featuring Integrity First for America (IFA), a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to defending principles of democracy, including our country's commitment to civil rights and equal justice. Amy Spitanick, Executive Director of IFA, will speak about the growth of white supremacist and far-right extremist movements. IFA, using both the courts and the court of public opinion, works to hold accountable those who threaten to dismantle American democracy. IFA attorneys are currently representing a group of peaceful protestors from the Charlottesville community in a landmark legal case against two dozen neo-Nazis and members of hate groups who planned and executed violent riots in Charlottesville. Adina Mermelstein Konikoff, daughter of Ivy and David Mermelstein, is IFA's Executive Director of Community Engagement and is helping to bring this very important program to Beth Sholom.

FYI:

- Our Mitzvah Food Pantry is now giving food to over 250 families each week
- Thank you to Stuart Warsetsky and his volunteers for all their hard work to meet the increased needs in our community

Our goals:

- Connect people with meaningful Jewish experiences in their local community and the wider world
- Learn and be inspired to engage in tikkun olam, positive actions that repair and improve a broken world
- Work b'yahad together in new ways with compassion and kindness to help others at this extremely challenging time

Wishing everyone a Healthy, Happy and Zissen Pesach!

Jeannette Norris, Chair









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This is a partnership between CSWB and the Alzheimer's Association. A community project of Beth Sholom Congregation.

EARLY LEARNING



OUR QUALITY

When parents choose a Preschool for their child, they want to be assured that the school is of the highest quality. From passionate teachers; to innovative curricula; to the commitment to nurture each and every one of our students to his or her highest potential; to the recognition we have received with our Keystone Stars 4-star certification, Early Learning at Beth Sholom is widely recognized as a school of the highest quality.

OUR DEDICATED STAFF

Most of our Early Learning teachers have been on our faculty for decades and have devoted their lives to nurturing preschoolers. Our faculty members are committed to keeping up with the latest practices in the field of early childhood education. Their commitment to excellence is manifest in their commitment to do continuing education in the field of early childhood education in order to remain certified as teachers in our school.

AT BETH SHOLOM

THE COMMUNITY WE CREATE AMONG OUR FAMILIES

Enrolling a child in Beth Sholom's Early Learning is not simply a way of getting a child a Preschool education, it is equally a way of creating a sense of belonging within a larger Jewish community. Our Preschool PTO is the catalyst for engaging our families in the life of the larger Beth Sholom community. Through Tot Shabbat programs, Shabbat dinner programs and activities, holiday celebrations, and learning opportunities with our rabbis, our families create a community together that form the basis for lifelong friendships.

Early Learning families know how to have fun and know how to make our community thrive as a center for young families.

Our children experience so many enrichment activities beyond what happens in the classroom. From farm animals for the children to pet on front lawn, to Israeli dancing with Rak Dan, to science fairs, to puppet shows, to gym nights with Coach Dave, Early Learning at Beth Sholom is the place where our families come to have fun and create memories that last a lifetime.

EARLY LEARNING AT BETH SHOLOM

A look at our students, staff and activites!















A MESSAGE FROM THE PTO

The Early Learning at Beth Sholom PTO has continued it's programming throughout the pandemic, with well attended distanced outdoor gatherings in the Fall and virtual activities during the Winter and beyond. The PTO recently provided Purim goodie bags to all Preschool families, which included hamantaschen making kits complete with dough and filling, so that each family could celebrate Purim with a sweet treat together.

We are planning Passover gifts for all Preschool families, which will include a fun activity and scavenger hunt. Other upcoming programs will include a pick up of a catered Friday night dinner, and a short Zoom, during which we can all light candles together before eating our meals. There are many other fun activities for both children and parents in the works, so that even when we cannot be together in person, we can all continue to build upon our already bustling Preschool community.



OUR TUITION INITIATIVE

INCENTIVE GRANTS FOR NEW JEWISH FAMILIES

Early Learning continues to offer generous incentive grants to Jewish families who are new to Beth Sholom. These families may be eligible to receive grants up to \$4,000.00 per year.

This exceptional program, now in its seventh year, has enabled many families to have the opportunity to experience a highquality Jewish preschool. Engaging young children in Jewish teachings while having fun is a golden opportunity. It may even promote a lifelong identification with the larger Jewish community and foster lasting friendships. We do all this at Beth Sholom in a very loving environment!











MEN'S CLUB

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7 @ SUNDOWN

YOM HASHOAH YELLOW CANDLE PROGRAM BETH SHOLOM MEN'S CLUB REMEMBERS THOSE LOST IN THE SHOAH

The Yellow Candle™ program was created in 1981 by FJMC clubs in Canada, New England and elsewhere to keep alive the memory of the Six Million who perished in the Shoah. The Candle is modeled after a traditional Jewish memorial yahrzeit candle that burns for 24 hours during periods of mourning and on the yahrzeit anniversary of a family member. This year, BSMC is offering our congregation the opportunity to remember and share the names, shtetls, towns and countries of our friends and families lost in the Shoah. Details on how to memorialize those closest to us will be coming soon in the mail and online.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22 @ 7:30PM

GUYS NIGHT IN TRIVIA NIGHT 2

Grab some snacks and libations and join us for another entertaining and competitive evening of brain wracking trivia. Prizes will be available!

SAVE THE DATE

BSMC CLOSING DINNER – MAY/JUNE BSMC Shabbat – Saturday, June 19



Thank you to Cantor Agar and all who participated in this year's World Wide Wrap!

MEN'S CLUB Man of the Year - Avi Mindlin



Since 1978, the Beth Sholom Men's Club has awarded the Norman H. Abrahamson Award to a Men's Club member for his dedication to, and his efforts on behalf of, the Men's Club. Mr. Abrahamson taught that volunteering is an excellent way to provide meaning to your life and help give back to your local community. This year's award winner, Avi Mindlin, exemplifies those qualities and was unanimously selected. He received the award during the 2021 MAR Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs "Man of the Year" gala dinner on Sunday March 14th – a Virtual Extravaganza for all.

Avi was born and raised in Harrisburg, PA. He attended the Rabbi David L. Silver Yeshiva Academy, and Susquehanna

Township High School. He went to Johnson and Wales University and graduated with a degree in Hospitality, then added a couple years of culinary school.

He moved to the Philadelphia area and worked for Aramark at the Adventure Aquarium as the Food and Beverage Manager, and then worked for Elisa's family business until it closed earlier this year. He currently works for Republic Services.

Avi and his wife Elisa have been members of Beth Sholom for seven years and have been married for 12. They have two children, Mikayla and Morgan, who attended Early Learning at Beth Sholom Preschool, and are currently attending Perelman Jewish Day School. Both girls have spent their summers at Ramah Poconos since they were in diapers, as Elisa works there in the summer.

The Mindlin family is extremely active at Beth Sholom and in the Jewish Community. They regularly attend Shabbat services. Avi is on the House committee, Congregational Engagement Committee, and a member of the Board. He also plays for the Beth Sholom Men's Club softball team. Whenever there is a need for help or volunteers he loves to say "yes!" He is driven to see the success and future of Beth Sholom and Men's Club.

Avi enjoys Men's Club so he can connect with others interested in supporting the local Jewish community, and particularly those interested in supporting and growing Beth Sholom Congregation. He appreciates all of his fellow Men's Club members, and their enthusiasm for the future of Judaism and love for the Jewish community. Avi is honored to be the recipient of the Men's Club Norman H. Abrahamson Award. He looks forward to continuing to grow in his role with Beth Sholom and the Men's Club. Men's Club was proud to honor Avi at the "Man of the Year" event.

SISTERHOOD

Save the Date

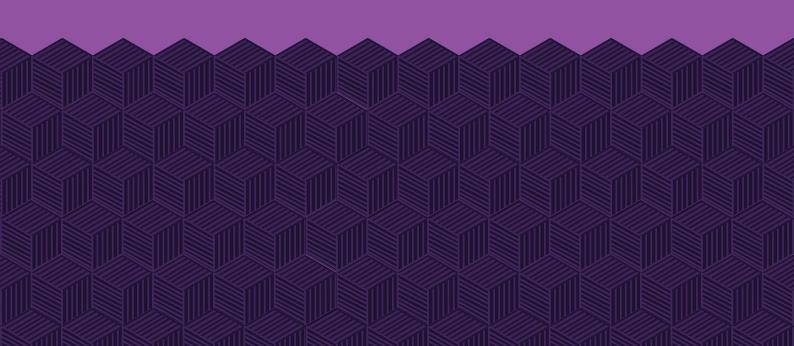
WEDNESDAY APRIL 14 @ 7:30 PM

Dr. Judith Newman, PSU Professor in the College of Individual and Family Studies will discuss her research on "Growing old successfully"

SUNDAY MAY 16 @ 11:00AM

"Zentangle" a spiritual art practice that enhances mindfulness and selfawareness, decreases stress and calms the mind. We will be offering packets of materials for \$12 so that you can follow what the instructor does. Sisterhood is dedicated to community, to facilitate women coming together to learn, to pray, to form friendships, to raise funds for capital contributions for our beloved building (that we miss so much because of the pandemic), and to enable us to share our love of Judaism.

We offer very diverse virtual programs in order to satisfy our many interests. G-d willing this pandemic will abate in the not-too-distant future and we can again meet, learn and pray in person and even get back to Broadway!



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Cantor Agar Discretionary Fund

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- In memory of Loretta Myerov, to Joseph Myerov, by Marlene Kessler

Cook for a Friend Fund

- In appreciation of a full and speedy recovery to Rene Feitelson, by Marvin and Carol Rosenbaum
- In memory of beloved mother and grandmother, Harriet Finestone to the Mitten Family, by Wendy Cohen
- In memory of Loretta Myerov, to the Myerov family, by Wendy Cohen $\,$
- In memory of Richard Stulman, to the Stulman Family, by Wendy Cohen
- In memory of beloved mother Lois, to Marjorie Boxbaum, by Joseph and Elly Kamen

Early Learning at Beth Sholom Fund

- In honor of the birth of your granddaughter, Ella Lillian Lewis, to Drs. Marlane and Harvey Guttmann, by Alex and Belinda Glijansky
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- In memory of beloved mother, Lois Bachman to Marge Boxbaum, by Sonny and Sarah Coslov
- In memory of beloved mother, Selma Cutler to Larry Cutler, by Sonny and Sarah Coslov
- In memory of beloved mother, Harriet Finestone to Fern Mittin, by Michael and Eileen Weingram
- In memory of beloved wife, mother and grandmother, Joan Spivack to Jerry Spivack, by Michael and Eileen Weingram

Family Education Fund

- In memory of Harriet Finestone, to Fern Mittin, by Eddi Gorman
- In memory of Harriet Finestone, to Fern Mittin and Family, by Randi and Rick Podel

Barbara & Harry Goldberg Jewish Education Fund

- In memory of Gretchen Boyd, by Howard Goldberg
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Dr. Jacob & Rosa Goldstein Memorial Fund

- In memory Harriet Finestone, beloved grandmother, to Stacey Salsman and Family, by Don and Randye Sable

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Helene's Heroes

– In memory of Helene Daniel, Ani Daniel, Irwin Daniel and John Stamm, by Helen Stamm and Daniel Stamm - Thanks for having a Minyan where we can remember

Honor Fund

- In appreciation of the Zoom holiday service to Herbert Sachs, by Asher and Josephine Engler
- In appreciation of Zoom services for the High Holy Days, to the Rabbis, by Enid Gildar
- In appreciation of being on the mend to Warren Vogel, by Joseph and Elly Kamen
- In appreciation of being able to participate in Zoom services for Morning Minyan and Shabbat to Beth Sholom Congregation, by Harry and Jackie Leibson
- In honor of Matt and Emily's wedding to Kerry and Jill, by Jay and Sharon Bornstein
- In honor of Gabby Natter's upcoming wedding to Carol and Howard, by Jay and Sharon Bornstein
- In honor of the birth of Sidra Rose Harris to Rebecca and Mitch Harris, by Carl and Shelley Hittinger
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- In memory of beloved grandmother, great-grandmother and mother, Harriet Finestone to Stacey Salsman, by Joseph and Valerie Lieberman
- In memory of Seymour Z. Lobel, by Judith Lobel

Kol Nidrei Pledge

- In appreciation of Hazzan Agar, by Mark and Susanna Manstein
- In appreciation of all the work of the synagogue staff Julie, Stacy and the clergy, Rabbi Andi, Rabbi GK and Cantor Agar by Lisa Stein and Therese Zakrzwski
- In appreciation of Rabbis Glanzberg-Krainin and Merow, for their leadership, wisdom, and adaptability, by Amy Brewstein

Yaacov Lieberman Education Fund

- In honor of your birthday, sending love and good wishes always to Adela Matyas, by Steven and Judi Shapiro

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- In memory of Aunt Harriet Finestone, to the Mittin Family, by Jack and Debbie Adderly
- In memory of beloved mother and grandmother, Harriet Finestone to Fern Mittin and Stacey Salsman, by Jay and Sharon Bornstein
- In memory of beloved husband and father, Neil Gorchow to Roz Gorchow, by Judith Cohen
- In memory of beloved wife, Joan to Gerald Spivack, by Robert S. and Ruth Cohen

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Memorial Fund (continued)

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- In memory of beloved father and grandfather, Fred Kazan to Kazan Family, by Joy Fish
- In memory of beloved wife, Joan Spivack to Jerry Spivack, by Harvey and Suzan Friedrich
- In memory of Harriet Finestone, to Stacey Salsman, by Belinda and Alex Glijansky
- In memory of beloved wife, Joan to Gerald Spivack, by Donald Guthrie
- In memory of Neil Gorchow to Roslyn Gorchow, by Carl and Shelley Hittinger
- In memory of beloved husband, Ronald to Pat Rosenthal, by Joseph and Elly Kamen
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- In memory of beloved grandmother, Harriet Finestone to Stacey Salsman, by Herbert and Alice Sachs

- In memory of beloved father, Gilbert S. Cohen to David Cohen, by Herbert and Alice Sachs
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- In memory of beloved mother, Harriet Finestone to Fern Mittin, by Herbert and Alice Sachs
- In memory of beloved husband, Neil Gorchow to Roz Gorchow, by Herbert and Alice Sachs
- In memory of beloved mother, Lois Bachman to Marge Boxbaum, by Herbert and Alice Sachs
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Minyan and Munch

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- In memory of beloved wife, Joan Spivack to Jerry Spivack, by Elaine Wolfson Gordon
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- In appreciation of daily minyan during my Seloshim to the Minyanaires, by Helen Stamm
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- In memory of Neil Gorchow to Ruth Gorchow and Family, by Elliott and Marla Haaz
- In memory of beloved husband, Neil Gorchow to Roz Gorchow, by Joseph and Elly Kamen
- In memory of beloved mother, Harriet Finestone to Fern Mittin, by Jerry and Joan Millan
- In memory of beloved father and father-in-law, Judge Norman Krivosha to Terri and Hayim, by Max and Robin Minkoff
- In memory of Neil Gorchow to Roslyn Gorchow, by Sandy Victor

Miriam Norris Memorial Fund

- In memory of the loving memory of Harriet Finestone, your mother, grandmother and great-grandmother to Fern, Stacy, Jaime and families, by Ronald J Gordon

Mitzvah Food Pantry Fund

- In appreciation of the Mitzvah Food Pantry, by Rochelle Broad
- In appreciation of Rabbi Andrea Merow for her years of dedicated and inspiring service to Beth Sholom Congregation to Rabbi Andrea Merow, by Robin Eisenberg and Bean Meles
- In appreciation of working with the Mitzvah Food pantry to Rabbi Andrea Merow, by Marcel and Bernice Groen
- In appreciation of Morah Selma Roffman to Selma Roffman, by Stuart and Sherri Leibowitz
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- In appreciation of Rabbi Merow and her work at Beth Sholom to Rabbi Andrea Merow, by Tracey Rossman
- In appreciation of the work of the Food Pantry to Rabbi Andrea Merow, by Ira and Donna Spector
- In appreciation of the Mitzvah Food Pantry and volunteers to Rabbi Andrea Merow, by Robert Tabak
- In appreciation of Mindy Shapiro on her birthday, for her generous heart and the light she brings to the world, by Juliet Spitzer
- In appreciation of Elliot Miller, by Donna Freyman
- In honor of the Bat Mitzvah to Gavin Byruc, by Kathy Banker
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- In honor of Al and Patti First, by Marcia Bosswick
- In honor of the work you do with the Mitzvah Food Pantry to Rabbi Andrea Merow, by Karen Dolnick
- In honor of a smooth and speedy recovery to Harvey Guttmann, by William and Marcy Haaz

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- In honor of the Mitzvah Food Pantry to Aileen Salus, by Jewish Women. National Council
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- In honor of the 75th birthday and 62nd anniversary of your Bar Mitzvah to Marcel Groen, by Steven and Judith Shapiro
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