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Saturday, March 23 at 8:00 PM
(Includes Purim Shpiel)
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CANDLELIGHTING TIMES

Lighting Date	Havdalah Time	(next day)
March 1	5:30 PM	6:31 PM
March 8	5:38 PM	6:38 PM
March 15	6:45 PM	7:46 PM
March 22	6:53 PM	7:54 PM
March 29	7:00 PM	8:02 PM

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RABBI SALSTON'S CLASS

Coffee and Commentary

Classes will be held on Wednesdays at 11:00am
in the Sanctuary and on Zoom
March 6, 13, 20, 27

Go to Zoom.us or dial+1 929 436 2866
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RABBI ROTH'S

Nosh and Knowledge

Classes will be held on Tuesdays:
March 5 12, 19, 26

Class times are 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM.
 The class is repeated the same evenings from
 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM via Zoom
 Topic of Study:

Jewish Ethics and the Animal Kingdom: Eating Meat, Vegetarianism, Kindness To Animals, Pets, Zoos and Circuses

RABBI BOCKMAN'S

Adult Education Program

Thursday, March 21 at 8:00 PM on Zoom Only

Tying Up Loose Ends About October 7:
Why were there protests in Indonesia against Israel and Jews
on October 7, before most of us even knew the massacre in
Israel took place?

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 TOGETHER WITH ALL THE MOURNERS FOR ZION AND JERUSALEM

RABBINIC REFLECTIONS

Rabbi Rachel Salston



Shalom! Happy Adar! We learn in the Talmud Bavli, Tractate Taanit 29a, “*mishenikhnas Adar marbin besimhah*.” “When the month of Adar enters, we increase in joy.” We’re gifted this year with a *shanah me’uberet* (“a pregnant year,” that is, full, one with an additional, 13th month, a second Adar) and it has already been Adar *Rishon* (first, the

one that is actually added to the calendar) for several weeks. We’re about to start Adar *Sheni* (second, which is the “real” Adar). With this new month comes the joyous holiday of Purim.

On Purim, as you know, we are obligated to read Megillat Esther. The Megillah is a strange and complex book, to make an understatement. The theme of the megillah and the holiday itself is *ve’nahafokh hu*, the opposite happened (Esther 9:1). In the story, the Jews were *supposed* to be massacred on that 13th of Adar, instead they massacred their enemies. Haman was *supposed* to be glorified and Mordekhai killed, instead Mordekhai is glorified and raised to Haman’s former position and Haman and his ten sons are killed. A book of Tanakh is *supposed* to have the Name of God in it, instead, in our Megillah, God is visibly absent.

The opposite occurrences, the unexpected, the topsy-turvy nature of this Book shapes the silliness of the holiday that it mandates. We dress up in costumes to be who or what we are not. We wear masks because the name Esther is midrash-ed to mean *hester panim* (hidden face, referring to God, whose name does not appear in the Megillah, who is hiding in the background and working miracles through human hands). We act silly in the synagogue. We drown out part of the sound of the required reading (think about it, isn’t grogger-ing out Haman’s name absurd, it’s part of a sacred Jewish text!) and yet we need to read and hear every word. I could go on and on listing the *ve’nahafokh hu* moments in the Megillah and in our celebration. Many are silly and important. Some are very serious and important.

Okay, basic absurdist holiday explanation completed. Sorry for the abrupt change in tone, I suppose employing choppy transitions in my writing is my upside-down activity right now. Reading the Megillah, really reading it and understanding it is painful.

The description and treatment of women in the Megillah is horrific. I won’t go into detail, please read it for yourself (sefaria.org/esther). A little over a year ago, I had the honor of learning from my teachers’ teacher, Rabbi David Silber, a Modern Orthodox rabbi who founded the Drisha Institute, originally a women’s yeshiva, where I studied briefly. While discussing the objectification of women in other parts of Tanakh, Rabbi Silber diverged and said (I paraphrase) to our group of Conservative Rabbis, “When people say that they don’t like the Book of Esther because of the disgusting way women are treated, I say, ‘Yes, exactly.’”

I understood Rabbi Silber to mean, if we read the Megillah and are not aghast at the command of Vashti to appear and its aftermath, the built-up royal harem, and the use of Esther and her body as a pawn, we are missing the point. The Book of Esther is the *ve’nahafokh hu* version of how people should be treated. It is a book about an upside-down world.

So, what are we to do? How do we continue to celebrate Purim with joy every year? How have I personally continued to celebrate Purim after losing my innocence about the content of the Megillah? How do we teach our children to celebrate Purim when we know that they’ll discover the darkness?

I posit that an answer lies in offering the *tikkunim* (correctives) that are within the Megillah itself and the Rabbinic tradition around it. The celebration of Purim is completing the four mitzvot: reading the megillah, encountering and not ignoring the crude and complex; feasting, expressing our joy and gratitude as a community; *mishloah manot ish l’reyehu*, sharing our joy, sending gifts of food to our friends; and most importantly, *matanot la’evyonim*, giving gifts to the poor. When we encounter the horrific, the upside-down, we are awakened and obligated to build a better world.

As Rabbi Bockman quoted on Shabbat Tetzaveh, “Rabbi Yehoshua ben Levi said: Women are obligated in the reading of the Megillah, for they too were part of that miracle.” (Bavli Megillah 4a). Perhaps a corrective to the objectification and silencing of women in the Megillah is the amplification of women’s voices in our celebration of the holiday, maybe, in the topsy-turvy expression of the holiday, even more so than on a regular day of the year. We were all saved and we were all actors in the salvation in the story. And we all deserve respect and recognition, the balm for the disrespect and violence of the Megillah. The holiness of the holiday is made not by the text itself, but by our response to the text, fulfilling the mitzvot and reading, really reading and engaging with the Megillah. ourselves who we would be if we and our world were someone or something else. How do we find God in the darkness? This year, perhaps more than ever in my lifetime, we really need this holiday of imaginative joy, especially joy found in a challenging context. We need to laugh and dance and imagine things as they can be. I hope to see you all in costume on the evening of 3/23 and the morning of 3/24. Hag Purim Sameah!

I love this Jewish holiday. One day a year, we are particularly obligated to encounter the complex and ask ourselves who we would be if we and our world were someone or something else. How do we find God in the darkness? This year, perhaps more than ever in my lifetime, we really need this holiday of imaginative joy, especially joy found in a challenging context. We need to laugh and dance and imagine things as they can be. I hope to see you all in costume on the evening of 3/23 and the morning of 3/24. Hag Purim Sameah!

Rabbi Rachel I. Salston

The Illustrated Rabbi

Rabbi David Bockman, Temple Beth Sholom



Mistaken for a Muslim

Some of my favorite kippot came from our honeymoon in Morocco. They fit well on my head and keep it warm. So what if they look a bit “Arabic?” I’m confident in my Jewishness and so is almost everybody who sees me. These kippot have never been a problem to me until lately.

Anybody who wears a yarmulke full-time knows that eventually they can become frayed or worn out. I own a drawerful of them, but I am always on the lookout for ones that will fit my head most comfortably, because they remind me, constantly, that “God is above me.” Finally, I thought to explore a web shopping site called TEMU that bombs my e-mail inbox with daily come-ons. The merchandise is inexpensive, and with the variety of hats available, I thought I’d look for Moroccan-style head coverings.

You may be able to guess what has happened in the past few weeks. The closer I got to seeing the type of kippah I wanted, the more the algorithm pushed Muslim headware my way. Eventually, I began seeing galabiyas (Muslim flowing robes) and special-for-Ramadan merchandise. I am sure that by now I must be on some Mossad watch list or TSA frisk-to-fly website. It’s not because I do anything terroristic or because my name sounds “off”, but simply because a computer has been programmed, or trained itself through artificial intelligence, to flag anyone who wears a kippah as suspicious.

This is not in and of itself a bad thing: Muslims who wear a “kufi” (kippa) are showing their devotion to the same God (there is only one God, after all) as I am, and I’ve known some highly worthy and outstanding Muslims over the years (and some less than praiseworthy Jews, too). People should not be pre-judged by the clothing they wear or the language they speak, or even the color of their skin but by the content of their character.

So what is actually different between the two religious traditions? There are, of course, quite a few differences in mitzvot that you can discern, one of which has come to the fore this month. Mohammed decided, after moving the fledgling Muslim community to Yatrib, a city he renamed “Medina (“city”), to de-Judaize the Islamic practices. During this period, the Qibla (direction of prayer) was changed from Jerusalem to Mecca and the Islamic calendar, which had been exactly the same as the Jewish calendar until that time, was altered to become a strictly lunar calendar without adjustment. In place of the additional month we Jews add seven times every nineteen years in order to keep the holidays (especially Passover) aligned with the solar calendar, Muslims go by strict adherence to a 12 month lunar calendar, so the monthlong observance of Ramadan moves forward 11 days each year.

One important way to see this distinction is to understand that in Islam, the calendrical choice emphasizes God’s control of the year, not human beings, so the entire Umma (Muslim community) relies only on God’s time as the absolute, no matter how inconvenient it may become. In Judaism however, we look not to God directly, but to the Torah, which tells us that Passover is “Chag ha-Aviv,” the holiday of springtime buds, the upshot being that we Jews have had to become experts in understanding and analyzing the world of natural phenomena in order to follow the Torah. Islam becomes sociologically or politically dependent, while Judaism forces us to study the world of natural phenomena and the texts that indicate them. I don’t know which system is better, ultimately, but I can say that the Jewish calendar keeps some of us employed trying to explain - over and over - why the Jewish holidays come “early” or “late”, but never on time! As with almost everything Jewish, it’s complicated, while at the same time being highly logical. And, as a bonus, it gives us the ability to claim (every few years) that God gives us an extra month to breathe. That, to me, is worth all the repeated explanations it may take! And, of course, be careful which websites you visit!

Happy two months of Adar, the beginning of our time of miracles and wonder!

Rabbi David Bockman

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENTS

Steven Montag and Mitch Friedman



The year was 2005 when I got a call from my friend Burt Feldman (who at the time was a member of the Fair Lawn Jewish Center) asking me if I was interested in joining a small group taking a winter golf trip to Florida. Though I was (and still am) not a very good golfer, I jumped at the opportunity to escape the winter cold.

This group of nine was unique, as there was a small core of FLJC members who knew each other and several of us, who were invited into the group through one of the core members, were essentially strangers. What we did share was a love of the game of golf.

There is a lot to learn and deal with when traveling with people who you don't know well (personalities, each person's sense of humor, preferences, as well as the noise of CPAP machines!) but there is also the joy in making new friends and learning about each other's lives... oh, and yes, and the golf! The trip was an unmitigated success and when I look back, I think there were several key contributing factors:

- ♦ Everyone exhibited a curiosity to learn about each other.
- ♦ Everyone displayed a willingness to accommodate differences and not be judgmental.
- ♦ Everyone accepted a shared responsibility for making the trip successful.
- ♦ And most importantly, everyone had a sense of humor, patience, and the ability to smile and laugh even if something didn't go as planned!

Fast forward to today and my friends and I are on the cusp of making our 17th annual Elijah's Cup golf trip. The group has morphed both in size and in diversity of attendees with friends and family members from across the country joining us as regulars or to fill in. But through it all we have shared not just the responsibility of our trips but more importantly we have shared our lives. We have supported each other through mitzvahs and challenges, through celebrations and mourning, through physical health crises and emotional ones. We have become a close-knit family and I considered each of them my brothers.

Many of you might be thinking "what does this have to do with CBS/FLJC?" and my response would be everything, as in so many ways it parallels our



synagogue journey and what we would want to accomplish. We have come together with a common bond, not golf but, our conservative Jewish heritage, practices and our connections to the Jewish Communities of Fair Lawn and the surrounding towns in Bergen County. In order for us to be successful we need to display compassion and respect for our differences but share the responsibility of blending and transforming our synagogue, into a welcoming, caring and accommodating center of conservative Jewish life for the entire community.

In the first two months, we accomplished a lot. We created and launched a new Executive Committee and a blended Board of Directors. We have integrated and restarted many of our committees. We have made progress combining office operations and processes. We have begun the integration of communication tools, and we will continue to improve how and when we communicate with everyone. We are holding both Egalitarian and Non-Egalitarian Services on shabbat so we can be accommodating to diverse conservative Jewish practices. While there is so much still to do, we are encouraged by the passion, the energy, and the commitment of everyone to make us successful.

As a footnote: Our golf group lost a key and beloved member in 2020, Steven Weil. While sharing a golf cart with Steve, I recall him once telling me about his family celebrations and how he would sit back and look out over the gathering and say: This is what I live for, it's all about the people in my life!

It is our hope that as each of us spends time with each other at CBS/FLJC services, events, and programs we can all echo Steve's sentiment.

Steve Montag and I would like to wish you all Chag Purim Sameach, Happy Purim!

Mitch Friedman and Steven Montag



NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Thorin Tritter



I am a man of habit. I generally wake up at the same time, even on weekends. I follow the same route to work every day. I have a favorite coffee shop where I like to stop for a morning coffee. Every now and then, however, something happens to send me

off my normal route or opens my eyes to a new opportunity. Recently, for example, I tried Haus Café, here in Fair Lawn, and have switched up my old routine.

I feel like TBS and FLJC/CBI are in a somewhat similar situation. Both had their ways of doing things, but now, as we unify our synagogue, our eyes have been opened to how we can draw from the strengths of both congregations to come up with the new CBS/FLJC approach or policy.

I see this particularly in the way the synagogue offices used to work. At TBS, Carol was a central hub for information, connecting members to a web of other committee chairs and congregants who oversaw the range of activities taking place. At FLJC/CBI, the Synagogue Office -- which included Rosemary (office manager), Gilda (bookkeeper), and me -- was more involved in directing and enacting some of the synagogue's programs and activities. Given the additional staffing, the FLJC/CBI office was able to do more.

Moving forward, we want the CBS/FLJC Office to draw from the strengths of both previous roles to improve our service to the larger congregation. We still want to be a hub that connects members together, but we also have the capacity to be actively involved in planning and facilitating activities.

I write this in an effort to encourage all of you to reach out to the Office at 10-10 Norma Avenue whenever you have a question about CBS/FLJC. You can, of course, still contact Carol, who remains

in the building at 40-25 Fair Lawn Avenue and who can now also be reached by email at Carol@fljc.com.

However, please also add to your book of contacts, if you have not already, the general Office email of info@fljc.com and the general Office phone number (201)797-5040.

We look forward to helping with everything from A to Z. Reach out to the Office if you have a question about:

- ♦ **A** security concern
- ♦ **B**orrowing a siddur/mahzor
- ♦ **C**emetery plots
- ♦ **D**onating to a particular fund (Torah, Kiddush, Scholarship, etc.). [Note: Checks should be made payable to CBS/FLJC]
- ♦ **E**nsuring there is a space available in the building for a program or activity
- ♦ **F**inding in what room a particular program is taking place
- ♦ **G**etting details about Hebrew School/Tot Shabbat/Kehillat Yeladim
- ♦ **H**onoring someone with a donation or honoring someone's memory
- ♦ **I**nformation that is on our website, or that should be on our website
- ♦ **J**ewish holidays that may be coming up and our schedule of services

I could go on with K, L, M.....all the way to Yahrzeits. (I'm not sure I could figure a "Z" word.)

My point is....Please reach out to the Synagogue Office if you have any questions, concerns, problems, proposals, or ideas. Hopefully we will be able to help. Or we can direct you to someone else who can! And if you're driving past, drop in and ask in person. I hope to see you soon.

Thorin Tritter

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CANTORIAL CONTEMPLATIONS

Cantor Yoni Stokar



Shalom and Chodesh tov to all! I hope that you are reading this in good health and spirit. In our calendar, every month not only has a name but it also has a symbol or symbols, a letter, a spelling of God's name and a theme. To name a few of these themes Elul is about Teshuva - repentance and closeness to God, Nissan is about freedom and Adar is about Simcha - Happiness and also Mazal - Success. The Talmud in Meggillah says "One who wants success should plant an adar tree." The difficult and dark word we find ourselves in right now is a real reminder or taste of what it felt like to be Jew living in the world of the Purim story. Where messages encouraging the murder and eradication of the Jewish people are being spread worldwide by our enemies as we speak. The fear, anger and anxiety permeate all of us. And it's exactly now that we have to heed the words of the Megillah "קִיְמוּ וְקַבְּלוּ הַיְּהוּדִים עֲלֵיהֶם וְעַל זֶרְעָם וְעַל כָּל הַנָּלוּיִם" "עֲלֵיהֶם וְלֹא יַעֲבֹר לַהֲיֹוֹת עֲשִׂים אֶת שְׁנֵי הַיָּמִים הָאֵלֶּה כְּכַתְּבָם וְכַזְמָנָם בְּכֹל שָׁנָה וְשָׁנָה."

"The Jews undertook and irrevocably obligated themselves and their descendants and all those who might join them, to observe these two days in the manner prescribed and at the proper time each year." (Esther 9:27)

Everything happens for a reason and this year more than ever we need two months of Adar. An extra 30 days to plant Adar trees, to plant trees of Mazal, trees of intention, trees of success, of freedom, of happiness, of redemption, of togetherness, of peace.

Last week in Parshat Terumah we read how every family brought their gifts and contributions to the Mishkon each according to their means, with the goal of building a communal central place of service to Hashem. So one intension and Kavana that I am having during these months of Adar and one way that I am setting out to heed the words of Megillah is to use my means, my abilities to sing and pray to contribute to our communal service. But I also want to invite anyone who'd like to invest in themselves and in our congregation to expand their horizons of leadership within services, whether that's reading Torah, leading part or all of a service on Shabbat or during the week to contact me so we can create a plan for our shared success. I truly believe that our coming together and creating a true shared place of prayer and worship is the salvation that our community needs as well the greater Jewish nation. Purim is that opportunity, arguably the most special holiday of the year. Yom Kippur the Rabbis teach us is Yom K-Purim it's the day like Purim! It's the same level of holiness! The special sanctity of the day of atonement whose central theme is a lack of physicality is sourced in the unique ability to increase our simcha through food and drink and sharing our means with each other.

May we all be blessed to experience a Purim that is beyond that which we could have imagined, with Mazal and success through the seeds of intention and hard work that we are planting these months of Adar and may we see the revealed miracles of peace for our people and the whole world with end of all wars and the returning home of all our hostages.

Chodesh Tov,
Yoni Stokar

Purchase an Electronic Memorial

The Electronic Memorial Board is located by the entrance to the Sanctuary and can be accessed online. New standard plaques may be purchased for \$360 each*. If you wish to enhance your new plaque or existing plaque with pictures/bio/stories, there is additional cost of \$180. For further info, contact Bert Wertheim at bertw4839@aol.com.

***Note: if you already have a plaque mounted at the synagogue, there is no charge to be on the Memorial Wall.**



ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Charles Cohen and Harry Melzer

Shalom Chaverim,

We have a range of adult education programs this month.

Please join us each Wednesday in-person for Coffee and Conversation led by Rabbi Salston as we study and learn together about the Torah Parshah of the Week. There is much to learn and discuss from the text of the Torah that remains relevant to us today

Please also join Rabbi Emeritus Ronald Roth as he continues his Nosh & Knowledge Zoom Class each Tuesday. We explore Jewish morality and ethics as it affects all aspects of our lives. Recent topics have included Gun Control, Artificial Intelligence, and Vegetarianism.

Our March Movie of the Month is *Denial*, starring Rachel Weisz as the noted Holocaust historian Deborah Lipstadt who is currently President Biden's Special Envoy on Anti-Semitism. The movie script, by David Hare, was based on Professor Lipstadt's popular book *History on Trial: My Day in Court with a Holocaust Denier*, which chronicles her six-year legal battle with British author and Holocaust denier, David Irving. The movie is a dramatized re-telling of the UK

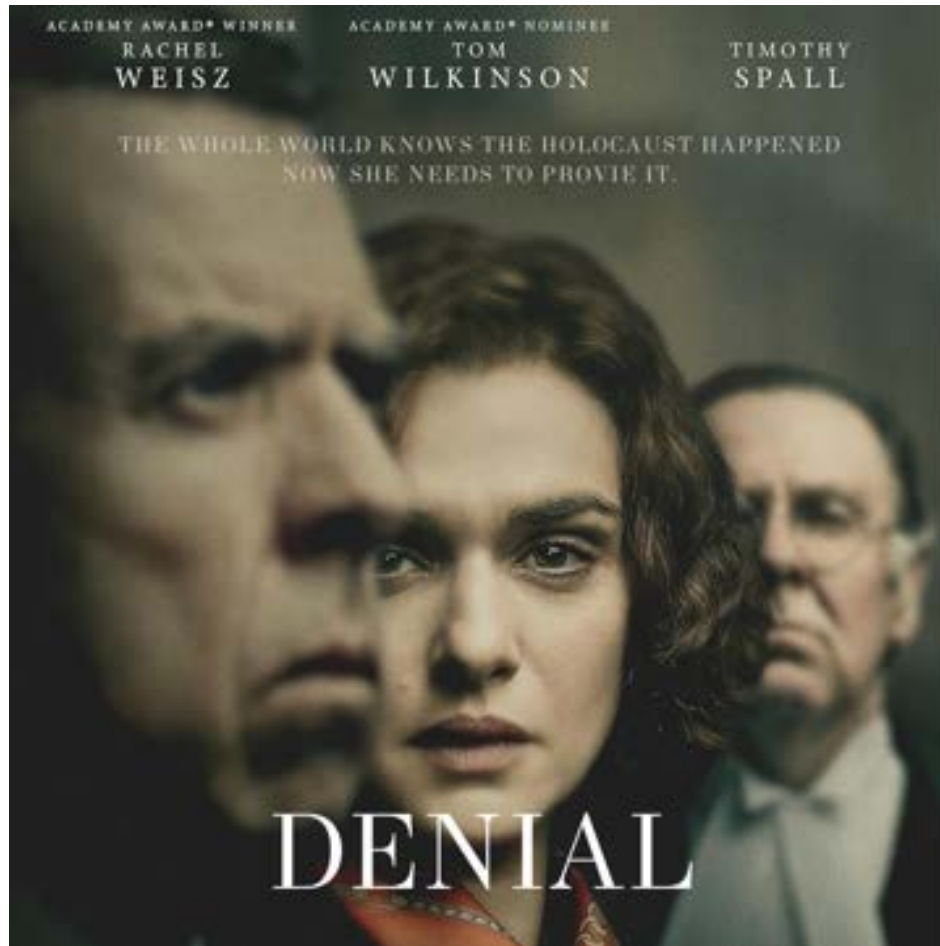
trial after Irving sued Lipstadt and her publisher for Libel. Irving acts as his own barrister to present his version of history. The defendant (Lipstadt) must prove her innocence which is the way the British system works. Please watch this interesting and powerful movie on HBO Max and then join in the discussion in-person or on Zoom.

Rabbi Bockman will discuss "Protests Against Israel and Jews on October 7 on Thursday March 21 at 8pm on Zoom..

The discussion will address "*Why were there protests against Israel and Jews on October 7 before most of us even knew the massacre in Israel took place?*" We will go down a rabbit hole to explore complex intersections between Hamas, Israel, the Temple Mount, media reportage, and events prior to October 7 that "primed the pump" for responses we've seen around the world. Please join us for this discussion.

Happy Learning.

Charlie Cohen & Harry Melzer



CBS/FLJC Adult Education
Committee Presents

A Discussion In-Person
& [On Zoom](#) About

Denial

Thursday, March 28 at 8:00 pm
at 10-10 Norma Avenue

The movie is based on Deborah Lipstadt's popular book *History on Trial: My Day in Court with a Holocaust Denier*, which chronicles her six-year legal battle with British author and Holocaust denier, David Irving. The movie is a dramatized re-telling of the UK trial, which took place after Irving sued Lipstadt and her publisher for Libel. Irving acts as his own barrister to present his version of history. The defendant (Lipstadt) must prove her innocence

Please Watch on HBO Max
Before Joining the Discussion

Moderator: Charles Cohen

HAPPY PURIM



Sisterhood Mishloach Manot We Stand by Israel



Sisterhood is preparing this year's Purim Mishloach Manot Bag Exchange with our theme "We Stand by Israel"

Keep an eye out for a letter and order form, or reach out to the Synagogue Office at (201)796-5040 or info@fljc.com.



We would love your help in creating bags for our fellow congregants and to deliver them in time for Purim. Please join us on Sunday March 10th at 9:30 am in the small ball room to help pack bags.



We also need volunteers to deliver the bags to congregants. Please come on Sunday March 17th from 9:30 am to 11:30 am to pick up bags for delivery.



For more information or to volunteer to pack or drive, contact Donna Pasternak at 201-791-9704 or at dpast123@aol.com.

Congregation B'nai Sholom/Fair Lawn Jewish Center

Social Action Needs Your Help!

There has been a dramatic increase in the numbers of people who come for dinners. Please help if you can.



Hackensack Shelter Dinner Sunday, April 7, 2024



We Are Looking for:

- Monetary contributions to purchase some of the food for the dinner serving 200 people
- Donated items from congregants: water bottles, plasticware, baked and wrapped desserts, etc.
- If you would like to volunteer to serve at the Shelter on April 7, contact Mark Meisel by March 18th.

Sign ups through Sign up Genius, go to link
[Email Info@fljc.com](mailto:Info@fljc.com) for Sign Up Genius Link

Send your checks made out to CBS/FLJC, noting on memo line "4/7/24 Hackensack Shelter Dinner"
Questions, email markmeisel@optonline.net

THANK YOU!

MEN'S PROGRESS CLUB

Hal Fine & Steven Margulies, Co-Presidents

Shalom All!,

Purim- a Holiday of tremendous reversals! Imagine if - Hamas has agreed to return all of the hostages. They've surrendered unconditionally. No more hate filled textbooks they pledged. They renounced their charter and have announced that H.A.M.A.S. is now to be known as the Hebrew Aid Material Assistance Society. What could have brought about the change? No one knows – however rumors of a rainbow stretching across the sky all the way from the Mediterranean Sea to the Judean Hills surrounding Jerusalem have been reported.

Wait – can this have happened? Hag Purim Sameach! We can only hope for a better tomorrow. Let's not forget the hostages (some pictured below), nor to see things in a different light on Purim!

World Wide Wrap on February 11, 2024; we were glad to see a nice crowd show up! Thanks to Larry Bach.

Please sign up for bowling at Bowlero in Fair lawn on Saturday, March 16, at 8:00pm. Only \$25.00 pp. Contact Steve Margulies or Hal Fine – all are welcome.

Congratulations to our super bowl squares winners Stuart Alper, Stuart Rubinstein, and Joanne Frankel.

Hope to see everyone at the Purim reading on Saturday March 23, evening which will include the new Musical version of the "Shushan Scenes" Purim shpiel.

B'shalom,

Hal Fine and Steven Margulies





World Wide Wrap 2/11/2024 - we were glad to see a nice crowd show up! Thanks to Larry Bach and Marcia Kagedan. Our kids brought to life an ancient tradition!

THE CBS/FLJC MEN'S PROGRESS CLUB INVITES YOU TO

BOWLING *Night*

SATURDAY
16 MAR
08:00 PM

ENTRY
\$25*

AT BOWLERO
22-22 MAPLE AVE

**Includes bowling, shoes, soft drinks, and snacks*

RSVP by March 10 to Steven Margulies at scmcowboy@aol.com

PROGRAM & EVENTS COMMITTEE
Andrea Pass & Lois Meisel, Co-Chairs



The band was rocking. The room was buzzing. The dance floor was hopping. The desserts were delicious. Our **"Getting to Know You Social"** was a tremendous success!!!! We hope that you had a great time and took the opportunity to meet new "family" members.

Special Thank-you to:

- ◇ Plaza North featuring our members Evan Leibowitz and Andy Sorger
- ◇ Program & Events Committee including Shifra Ansonoff, Fran Kessler, Miriam Levin, Robin Ringer, Heidi Seigel-Laddy, Mark Wertleib
- ◇ Volunteers Marlene Markoff and Esther Wertleib, Marge, LeMar, the CBS/FLJC Custodial Team, Rosemary and the Security Committee

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! Thorin went above and beyond to make sure everything was perfect for our "Getting to Know You Social".

Next up --- The **Program & Events Committee Bus Trip to the U.S. Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C.** on Sunday, March 31, 2024. Thanks to The Findling Fund, we are able to provide this opportunity to CBS/FLJC members only. Our own Neil Garfinkle will be educating us as we travel in style from Fair Lawn to Washington D.C. and back. The bus leaves the synagogue parking lot at 6:00am and returns at approximately 7:00pm. Cost is \$18 per person. Please bring your own breakfast. There is a cafeteria at the Museum for those who would like to purchase lunch. See the link in the weekly *Insider* to register. Once the bus is filled, registration will close, so be sure to register early. Any questions, please reach out to Lois or Andrea (loismeisel@optonline.net or andreapasspr@gmail.com).

If you would like to join the Program & Events Committee, please touch base.

Best regards,

Andrea & Lois

CBS/FLJC DAY TRIP TO THE



**UNITED STATES
HOLOCAUST
MEMORIAL
MUSEUM**

Sunday, March 31, 2024

lets go together



SCHEDULE

Depart CBS/FLJC at 6:00 AM
Travel by Coach Bus with Bathroom to DC
Arrive Museum at 10:30
Tour Permanent Exhibition with Neil Garfinkle
Lunch on Your Own
Time to Explore on Your Own
Depart DC at 3:30 PM

Cost is \$18 per person
thanks to support
from the Max Findling
Fund

Questions? Email
andreapasspr@gmail.com or
loismeisel@optonline.net

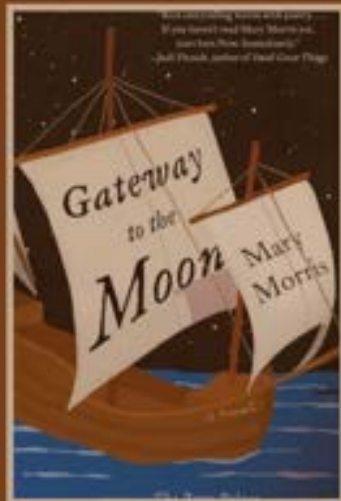
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SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB

March 17th, 10:00 AM

Auditorium



(In Person Only)

Light Breakfast Served

RSVP: Ilene Laufer

Rflanzman@aol.com

Congregation B'nai Sholom / Fair Lawn Jewish Center

SEEKING KIDNEY DONOR



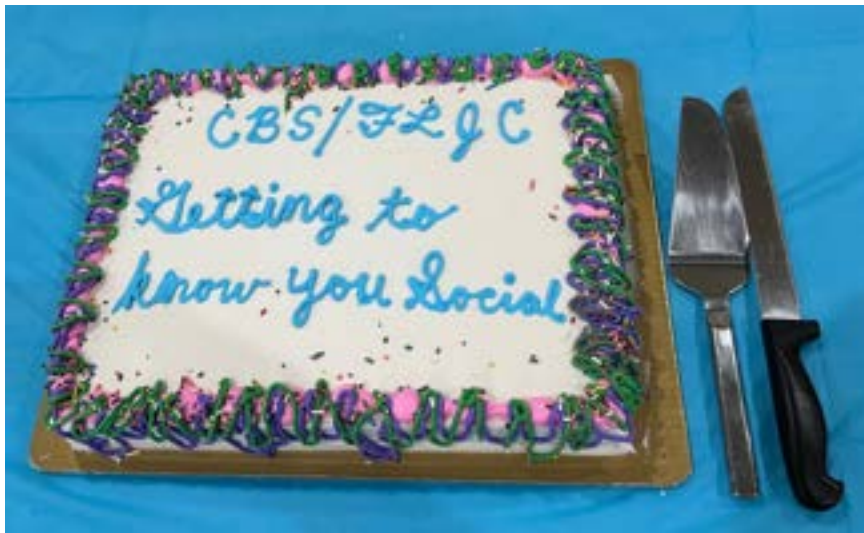
I am desperately seeking your help to find a donor match.

I'm Gary Haar and I have Polycystic Kidney Disease and limited time until my Kidney fails. If you or someone you know is a potential match, please reach out for more info on the process.

Contact: garyhaarneedsakidney@gmail.com

Getting to Know You Social





SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Mark Meisel , Chair



The Social Action Committee is now a combined committee with members from both of the former congregations working on projects as one. We hope that other congregants will contact us and consider joining us if they would like to help our efforts.

In March things will become busy again with our collection for our next **Hackensack Shelter Dinner** to be delivered on April 7th and the **March Mega Food Drive** in coordination with Jewish Federation of Northern NJ.

Coming up on Sunday, April 7, we will help provide a dinner for 200 food insecure people from our community. We are looking for volunteers to help with the Hackensack Shelter Dinner. There has been a dramatic increase in the number of dinners served daily at the Shelter. Family Promise has reached out to us to let us know the need has increased from 150 to 200 per night. We are reaching out and hope some congregants can buy/make food items such as desserts and salads or donate items such as fruit, water bottles and plasticware. Monetary donations are also greatly needed to help us purchase the other food required to make the dinners for the shelter. Please go to our sign up site in the weekly *Insider* for more details and to donate. Checks can be mailed or dropped off at the CBS/FLJC office; make checks out to CBS/FLJC and designate "Hackensack Shelter Dinner" in the memo line. Also, three volunteers are needed to help at the shelter on April 7. (Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age; if under age 18, they must be accompanied by a guardian. Contact Mark Meisel at markmeisel@optonline.net by Monday, March 18 if you want to volunteer or serve.

This year we are going to work with the Jewish Federation of Northern NJ and ask that people donate non-perishable food during the month of March and leave it in the basket in the synagogue lobby. March Mega Food Drive collected and distributes more than 25,000 pounds of food across northern New Jersey to neighbors struggling with

food insecurity. More than 30 Kosher and non-Kosher pantries are recipients from the food collected. Please look for the *Insider* for more details.

For Purim we hope everyone will bring Food Groggers to the Megillah reading; boxes of pasta, cereal and other noisy food that we will also donate after Purim.

Below we review some of the current programs we support for all congregants.

Social Action assists congregants through the Chesed sub-committee. Our long-time Social Action committee member and former chairperson of Social Action, Nina Gold, has generously volunteered to administer this program, which includes the following:

- ♦ **Bikkur Cholim:** The Social Action Committee helps congregants in their recovery from illness when returning from the hospital or rehab facility by bringing them a Friday night meal. Please let the office know if you would like us to bring you a meal. We very much appreciate Sisterhood for their financial support of this program.
- ♦ **Welcoming a new child to FLJC/CBI:** When a member welcomes a new child to their home we will bring a meal to the family to help celebrate their new addition and make the increased workload a bit easier.
- ♦ **Shiva meal:** We would like to support a congregant going through mourning the loss of a loved one. For any congregant who is a mourner, Chesed will coordinate with them and bring a shiva meal for the mourner (and their immediate family). We truly appreciate Sisterhood and the Mens Progress Club for their financial support of this program.

We continue to be very grateful to our entire congregation for all the support you provide in making our various programs and projects possible through your generous contributions.

Mark Meisel



A special heartfelt thank-you to everyone for all the good wishes and for being honored at the January 20, 2024 Sisterhood Shabbat.

-Fran Kessler

[Click Here for Fran Kessler's Complete Speech](#)



SISTERHOOD

Siri Horvitz, Cheryl Nowack, Sue Riff, and Lisa Urbanski, Co-Presidents

One of the nice things about living in New Jersey is getting to enjoy all the seasons. I am getting excited for Winter to end and Spring to arrive and I know many of you feel the same way. The days are getting longer and Sisterhood is gearing up to celebrate Purim with our "We Stand for Israel" Mishloach Manot theme this year. We will be looking for help packing and delivering our Mishloach Manot goodies on the following dates:

- ♦ Sunday, March 10th at 9:30am
Mishloach Manot Packing in the Small Ballroom
- ♦ Sunday, March 17th, 9:30am-11:00am
Pick up delivery routes for Mishloach Manot delivery assignments in the Center Lobby

We will be hosting our third out of fourth book club review on Sunday, March 17 at 10:00am to discuss *Gateway to the Moon* written by Mary Morris. We hope you will join us. Please RSVP to Ilene Laufer at rflanzman@aol.com. We look forward to seeing you!

In the meantime, try to keep cozy and warm and get ready for Spring; it will be here before you know it!

Many thanks to our Sisterhood members who volunteer and participate in our events. Your contributions keep our organization thriving. We are grateful to all of you and want to especially thank our amazing Board Members for their continued support.



Chag Purim Sameach!! Happy Purim!!
עם ישראל חי

Siri Horvitz
Cheryl Nowack
Sue Riff
Lisa Urbanski
Co-Presidents of Sisterhood

Congregation
B'nai Sholom/
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MARCH
MEGA
food**DRIVE**
grocery list!

Social Action Committee
Tikun Olam

Baby food	Formula	Potatoes	- Varied cans for puppies, kittens and senior dogs and cats are helpful.
Beans	Jams	Rice	
Canned fish & meat	Jelly	Shelf-stable milk	
Canned fruit & vegetables	Juice	Snack bars	- NO DRY PET FOOD PLEASE.
Cereal	Mac & cheese	PET FOOD	
Chili	Soups	Dog Canned Food	
Crackers	Paper towels	Cat Canned Food	
	Pasta		
	Peanut butter		

No expired food | No glass or soda | No Candy

jfnnj.org/grocery-list
SHARA NADLER 201.820.3947

Sponsored by

Drop Off Donations In The Collection Bins In Our Synagogue Vestibule From March 1-March 31

Gift cards/checks made out to "CBS/FLJC" with "Mega Food Drive" on the memo line can be dropped off/mailed to the synagogue office
To make donations easier, blue reusable shopping bags will be available at the synagogue for you to fill at the supermarket

The article below, is from Pavel Tychtl, founder of Tikkun Pacov Synagogue Association regarding my visit to Pacov in January, 2024. –*Rabbi Ronald Roth, Rabbi Emeritus*



Allow me to take the opportunity of Rabbi Roth's recent presentation on January 22, 2024 to send greetings on behalf of Tikkun Pacov Synagogue Association (Czech Republic) and say how touched we were by the kind words on our efforts to renovate this forgotten, derelict synagogue.

We're determined to complete the renovation of the synagogue building over the coming years, inside and out, and do justice to the memory of the Jewish community that used to meet and wed and worship here, before being brutally exterminated by the Nazis. Because of our multiple contacts with Rabbi Roth, including his visit, as well as our exchanges over recent years, we feel a special bond with the Congregation B'nai Sholom and its community which, as you know, holds one of the Torah scrolls from Pacov Synagogue. Therefore, we're especially grateful to hear that our efforts remain a subject of discussion.

Following the purchase of the building by the Tikkun Pacov Synagogue Association, the exterior renovation is now almost complete, at a cost of around USD 200,000. The interior has been stripped back to bare brick and a bare earth floor with a further USD 300,000 still needed to complete the work.

Tikkun Pacov Synagogue Association is continuously fundraising and has received support from the Czech Ministry of Culture, the local region, the city of Pacov and private foundations as well as individual donations. The grant support always needs to be co-financed, which means that individual donations are especially important. We'd be extremely grateful for any support you're able to give towards the renovation of Pacov Synagogue. Donations may be made by PayPal or bank transfer.

The bank details are listed here for your convenience:

Account no: 2701205032/2010

IBAN: CZ72 2010 0000 0027 0120 5032

SWIFT/BIC: FIOBCZPPXXX

Address: 320 Náměstí Svobody Square, 395 01 Pacov, Czech Republic

Email: tikkun.pacov@seznam.cz

Tikkun Pacov Synagogue Association continues to research the lost Jewish community and to run commemorative events. Many thanks for your interest in this project, and we hope we can count your support.

To make donations to **Tikkun Pacov Synagogue Association** go to: https://tikkun.cz/?page_id=44&lang=en

To read about the Faces and Stories: Holocaust Survivors from Pacov, go to: https://tikkun.cz/?page_id=1741&lang=en

You are always welcome to visit us in Pacov, like Rabbi Roth!



BINGO at 40-25 Fair Lawn Avenue
Every Monday Afternoon 12:00 PM to 2:15 PM

10 Chances to Win Big Cash
Sandwiches, Snacks, and Hot & Cold Beverages Available



COMMUNITY HEBREW SCHOOL OF BERGEN COUNTY

Marcia Kagedan, Educational Director



Shalom,

February was a short month but packed with great activity at the Hebrew School. Our Kindergarten and 1st grade families enjoyed a wonderful Shabbat party with their teachers Morah Shoshana and Morah Ashley.

The children showed their parents all they had been learning and everyone enjoyed challah, grape juice, stories and activities together. Parents got to know each other and saw their children in action!

Our oldest students had two special programs. First they met with Larry Bach and Rabbi Salston to make their own tefillin and learn how to put them on. Then they participated in a wonderful World Wide Wrap. The chapel was packed and the excitement filled the air as all joined together in prayer and then enjoyed a delicious bagel breakfast.

I thank their teacher, Rabbi Yankelewitz, for showing the children the insides of the real tefillin - some were normal sized and one particular set was tiny - smuggled out from Europe after the War.

Many families enjoyed a delicious Friday night dinner in Paramus. Another one is planned later in the year.

Our 4th grade received their own siddurim. The one they received is a youth siddur that includes translation and transliteration - a fantastic learning tool that Rabbi Salston introduced us too.

These siddurim will be treasured by the students, with personal blessings from their parents pasted in the front of the book. All of the above in the short month of February!

Coming up in March is a trip to the Jewish Children's Museum in Brooklyn for 2nd-5th grade, a special session with Rabbi Roth for our older students at which the students will learn about the history of the Holocaust Torahs in both Paramus and Fair Lawn synagogues. And of course Purim is in March with night time FAMILY oriented festivities in both synagogues.

The Hebrew School kids will enjoy a carnival in Paramus the week prior. I wish you all a good March.

Mishenichnas adar marbim besimcha! The month of Adar should bring us all much joy!

Marcia

Congregation B'nai Sholom/Fair Lawn Jewish Center

Tying Up Loose Ends About October 7

Why were there protests in Indonesia against Israel and Jews on October 7, before most of us even knew the massacre in Israel took place?

Presented by Rabbi Bockman

Thursday, March 21 at 8:00 PM on Zoom Only



We will go down a rabbit hole to explore complex intersections between Hamas, Israel, the Temple Mount, media reportage, and events PRIOR to October 7 that "primed the pump" for responses we've seen around the world. This is a fascinating and disturbing look at the world in which we now live, but we'll also learn some reasons to NOT despair.

Email info@fljc.com to Get Zoom Link

HELEN TROUM NURSERY SCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN

Debbie Propper Lesnoy , Nursery School Director



Our Nursery School children began the month by noticing the new snow. We go outdoors each day, and snow gave us an opportunity to use our senses to explore a changed environment on our playground. We frolicked, but also found ice and explored how water behaves when it freezes and melts. We then followed this with a science unit about water and weather, including creating a "tornado". Science is a big part of our curriculum as we experience the world around us with each sense.

The children visited the aquarium on our field trip, where they saw many species. We expand each experience with writing stories, asking questions and creating artwork. When asked for the best part of the trip, the children said "the BUS" of course!

Our PTA is planning a movie night and a new Challah take home/baking program. Shabbat parties are always occasions as we say the brachot and eat together.

With Adar 1 here, we have some time to talk about the holiday coming in Adar 2. We introduce the excitement slowly, commenting on Queen Esther, Mordechai and the story of Purim. We learn Hebrew songs, read books and we are thinking about our costumes for Purim. More will follow, until our big Carnival on Purim day!

In Hebrew Club, we are doing alef-bet yoga and learning welcoming phrases along with colors, numbers and more.

Our precious Nursery School children are enjoying daily routines along with weekly music, trips, soccer and specials. Please feel free email us at dlesnoytbs@yahoo.com with any questions, or if you might want to come and share a special talent with us!

Most sincerely, Debbie Propper Lesnoy and the staff at TBS Nursery School.

Debbie

**Congregation B'nai Sholom
Fair Lawn Jewish Center**

Tot Shabbat with Morah Vivian
Every Saturday Morning at 9:30 AM

 **Upcoming Dates in March** 

March 2 • March 9
March 16 • March 23
March 30

Vivian Gibilisco is a Jewish educator and song leader who has been teaching, leading song, and family worship for many years all over Greater Metro West, New Jersey. She loves teaching Jewish values and creating community and connection to our people through song.

**All Little Ones and Families Welcome
Up to 5 Years of Age**

Open to the Community!
Questions: Contact Info@fljc.com or (201)796-5040

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Congregation B'nai Sholom/Fair Lawn Jewish Center

KEHILLAT YELADIM AT FLJC/CBI

LED BY MORAH DEB LESNOY


Join us on Shabbat for this program just for kids. Held on the following dates at 10:30 AM

March Dates:
March 2 • March 23
Open to the Community

Shabbat Songs and Tefillot
Torah Lessons
Kid-Friendly Snacks*

* All snacks are not-free

Ages 5+



Congregation B'nai Sholom/Fair Lawn Jewish Center | 10-10 Norma Avenue | Fair Lawn

Celebrate with Us - A New Date!
Ad Journal Dinner Dance

honoring

*Mitch & Sue
Friedman*



Sunday Evening. June 9.2024 at Five o'clock

40-25 Fair Lawn Avenue

\$180 per person

Catered by Prestige Catering

Dancing to the music of

Phase One of Craig Scott Entertainment

Cocktail attire

Contact Synagogue Office for Registration Link and Ad Blanks



FREE TRAINING

Monday,

MARCH 11

7:00pm - 9:00pm

Jewish Federation of Northern New Jersey
50 Eisenhower Drive, Paramus

Registration Required by March 7
Sign up NOW Limited Spaces

**YOU ARE THE HELP
UNTIL HELP ARRIVES!**

Stop The Bleed is a national awareness campaign to empower each one of us to help in a bleeding emergency.

- Must be age 16+.
- Hands-on demonstrations.
- Bags may be purchased at a discounted price at the event. Credit cards accepted.
- Purchase of a trauma bag is not a requirement for attendance.
- Registration required. No walk-ins.

Sponsored by
Jewish Federation of Northern New Jersey in
cooperation with Valley Hospital Emergency Dept.

Registration Required by March 7

JFNNJ.ORG/STOPTHEBLEED



Jewish Federation
of Northern New Jersey

Each organization who sends a representative will receive at least one trauma bag for FREE. (number of trauma bags depends on size of organization.)



Trauma Bag
\$62.38*

*Bags may be purchased at a discounted price at the event.
\$85.99 value

Trauma bag includes CAT tourniquet, emergency trauma dressing, compressed gauze, gloves, trauma shears, marker, bleeding control patch and chest seals. Comes in a nylon carry bag.



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Ritual Affairs Wants You..... ...To Get an Honor.

The Ritual Affairs Committee is inviting anyone who has a birthday, anniversary, Yahrzeit or just wants to participate, to join us at Shabbat morning services for an honor.

We welcome your participation. It would enhance our services.

Please reach out to Charlie Cohen at charlessara@optonline.net to schedule your honor. And let him know whether you would like to be part of the Sanctuary or Chapel service.

CHARLIE COHEN'S FLAG

Preparing for the World Wide Wrap



FAMILY MATTERS

Refuah Shlemah to

Carol Aig (Tova Raiza bat Malka Esther v'Yitzhak)
 Sally Baker (Sarah bat Chana)
 Baleya Feigel Bat Esther
 Steve Baltin (Shragum Mordekai ben Hava
 Baruch Ha Cohen ben Sara
 Binyamin ben Yehudah v'Rina
 Shifrah Bleemah bat Ruchel Baylah
 Dalia Tzril bat Riva Braina
 Chana Miriam
 Chana Batya bat P'nina
 Howard Charish (Yosef David ben Raizel)
 Chaya Reuvat bat Esther Faigel
 Chaya Ruchel bat Miriam
 Chaya Devorah Bat Malka Pessel
 Colleen Willis
 Dovid ben Kalman
 Dror ben Rivka
 Ephraim ben Mayla
 Esther Gittel bat Sarah Hinda
 Lara Gartenberg (Leah Sarah)
 Alan Gasmer (Avraham ben Chaya Sarah v'Yisrael)
 Irene Gasmer (Chaya Sarah bat Esther V'David)
 Howard Glazer (Yo-cha-nan Ben ruh-chel peh-rel v Shlo-
 mo)
 Sheila Granowitz (Shulma Hinda Bat Chaia V Noah)
 Halan Ben Reuven
 Gary Haar
 Hinda Cyrelle bat Esther
 Linda Herrmann (Leah bat Haim)
 Joe Hymovitz (Yehudah Yaakov ben Esther Yucha
 u'Moshe)
 Ilene Wolosin (Chaya Rossa bat Celia u'Max)
 Laili Golda bat Reuvat v'David
 Ann Lefkowitz
 Barbara Levy
 Liat bat Chava
 Shimon Ma'aravi ben Edna v'Mordechai

Herbert Laden (Zev ben Chana v'Yehudah)
 Irene Mandel (Itka bat Yente v'Chaim)
 Larry Mandel (Leibel ben Chaya)
 Tsvi Marder (Tsvi ben Esther v'Yehoshua)
 Judi Margolis (Zisa Ita bat Rachel v'David)
 Yonatan Menashe ben Dina Rivka v'Dov
 Meyer Ben Rifka
 Naomi Michaelson (Nechama bat Miriam v'Chaim)
 Rory Elizabeth Mont
 Mordechai ben Vera
 Moshe Avraham ben Raizel
 Nachem Ben Baruch
 Margaret Namer (Sarah bat Hayim v'Dona)
 Rafael ben Rachel
 Raisal Bat Aviva
 Debbie Rosenzweig (Devorah Surah bat Tzirl v'Eliyahu
 Meyer)
 Jesse Rosenzweig (Yehuda Laib ben Rachel)
 Lori Rubin (Leah bat Ada Levy)
 Sadie Moreh bat Leah Elka v'Lazer Melech (Sadie Gom-
 berg)
 Stanley Sanders (Sender ben Ettie v'David haLevi)
 Sasha Feigel bat Chaiya Chana
 Kenny Schmier (Kalman Ben Rivka)
 Amy Serelson (Chana Batya bat P'nina)
 Carolyn Shenberg (Cipra Raisa bat Moshe v'Dishka)
 Carolyn Sherman (Shayna mintzah bat brunchie v Baruch)
 Shoshana Bat Tovah
 Tovah Pearl bat Shandel v'Shlomo
 Arthur Wartenberg (Avraham ben David v'Shaindel)
 Philip Winick (Pinchas Ven Moshe)
 Yaakov Ben Gittel
 Yehudit Chasida bat Perel
 Yitzack Yakov Ha Cohen Ben Sara
 Yosef ben Yitta
 Roni Zerowin (Rachel Chana bat Tamar)



Mazel Tov to our March Birthdays

Sofia Albanese, Shifra Ansonoff, Larry Bach, Faye Cohen, Gary Baskind, Susan Baumstein, Anne Benlisa, Merryll Ehrich, Eliot Folickman, Michael Friedman, Neil Goldberg, Harriet Goldberg, Sheila Granowitz, Ruth Grossberg, Alfred Kahn, Beth Karetnick, Harold Kirschenbaum, Marvin Klein, Bonnie Manche, Lois Meisel, Roy Meyrich, Lisa Miller, Eric Memmi, Judith Pitkowsky, Molly Pollack, Jeffrey Reifman, Odette Rein, Saul Rochman, Ritchard Rosen, Michelle Rosenberg, Jaye Sauer, Heidi Seigel-Laddy, Susan Seligman, Lenore Silver, Rosa Sirota, Nancy Sperling, Shiman Suissa, Jessica Tratner, Arthur Wartenberg, Daniel Weiss

Mazel Tov to our March Anniversaries

Inna and Ronald Baker; Natalie and Gary Haar; Estelle and Roger Haberman; Lois and Mark Meisel;
 Tobie and Jeffrey Reifman; Dara and Michael Siegel; Ziona and Arthur Wartenberg

THE GENEROUS HEART WILL BE FULFILLED

February 2024 Donations

CLARE GREEN FUND

Robin and Michael Baer

Mazel tov on the engagement of your daughter Julia Baer to Robert Presser
Donna Pasternak and family

Neil Garfinkle

Mazel Tov on the well-deserved honor as MPC's Man of the Year
Donna Pasternak and family

In Memory of Clare Green

Donna Pasternak and Family

Gerry and Howard Kessel

Mazel Tov on the marriage of your daughter Pam Kessel to Uriel Mizlish
Donna Pasternak and family

Fran Kessler

Mazel Tov for being honored by the Sisterhood for all your years of service and dedication to the synagogue
Donna Pasternak and family

Lois and Mark Meisel

Mazel Tov on the birth of your second grandchild, Micah Leo, by parents Jordana and Jonathan Schmidt-Schwartz
Donna Pasternak and family

Pauline and Lyle Novick and Family

Condolences on the passing of your mother, mother-in-law and grandmother Esther Schmier Rubinstein
Donna Pasternak and family

Norma Pollack

My sincere condolences to you, Lisa and your family on the loss of Irv Pollack
Donna Pasternak and family

Esther and Stuart Rubinstein and Family

Condolences on the passing of your mother, mother-in-law and grandmother Esther Schmier Rubinstein
Donna Pasternak and family

Ellen and David Teitelbaum

Mazel Tov on the birth of your grandchild
Donna Pasternak and family

Howard Weizman

My sincere condolences on the loss of your mother Lillian Weizman
Donna Pasternak and family

EDUCATION FUND

Norma Pollack

In memory of Irv Pollack
Ellen and David Teitelbaum

ELLIE WEINER FUND

In memory of Rachel Weiner

Jerry Weiner

GENERAL FUND

Neil Garfinkle

Congratulations on being named MPC Man of the Year
Susan and Steven Meininger

Norma Pollack

In memory of Irving Pollack
Janet and Paul Cargotch

Norma Pollack

Our condolences on the loss of your beloved husband
Natalie and Marvin Klein

Norma Pollack

In blessed memory of Irving Pollack, beloved husband, father and grandfather
Rona and Steve Montag

Norma Pollack

In memory of your beloved husband Irving Pollack
Sig Westerman

The Weizman Family

In memory of Howard's mother Lillian Michael Edelman

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In memory of Howard's mother Lillian Selma Edelman

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In memory of Howard's mother Lillian Sue and Mitch Friedman

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In memory of Howard's mother Lillian Marian Manners

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In memory of Howard's mother Lillian Sharon and Larry Metzger

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In memory of Howard's mother Lillian Sheila and Ronald Propper

The Weizman Family

In memory of Howard's mother Lillian Odette and Bruce Rein

Harry Weizman

Sincere condolences on the passing of your mother
Sheila and Jack Granowitz

KIDDUSH CLUB

Faye and Barry Cohen

Michael Edelman

Selma Edelman

Donna Frankel

Joanne Frankel

Diane and Sandor Haft

Carol Marcus

Joseph Meer

Mens Progress Club

Cheryl Nowack

Jerry Weiner

Howard Weizman and Family

In memory of your beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Lillian
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