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Tequila and Taters
December 6, 2025

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To Our Congregants,

We extend to you our deepest gratitude
For being part of the Beth Judea Family.





As we celebrate this season of miracles
We wish you joy, blessings and peace during
Chanukah and throughout the year.





May you always be blessed with the rich and
Bountiful gifts of life!

Happy Chanukah,





From the entire staff and leadership of
Congregation Beth Judea:

Congregation Beth Judea Mission Statement

Congregation Beth Judea is a welcoming egalitarian synagogue whose mission is to create a warm and inviting home that serves the lifelong spiritual, educational and fellowship needs of our members.

Consistent with the principles of the Conservative movement, we embrace Torah and our responsibility to serve and support the greater Jewish community, the community at large, the United States of America and the State of Israel.

HOLIDAY INFORMATION AND UPCOMING EVENTS

CHANUKAH

DEC. 14	EREV CHANUKAH
DEC. 15	CHANUKAH DAY 1
DEC. 16	CHANUKAH DAY 2
DEC. 17	CHANUKAH DAY 3
DEC. 18	CHANUKAH DAY 4
DEC. 19	CHANUKAH DAY 5
DEC. 20	CHANUKAH DAY 6
DEC. 21	CHANUKAH DAY 7
DEC. 22	CHANUKAH DAY 8

ADULT EDUCATION

NOSH & KNOW – MONDAYS AT NOON

MELTON – MONDAYS AT 6:30 PM
BEGINS DECEMBER 1st

HEBREW LITERACY 1 – WEDNESDAYS AT 8 PM





Watch your emails and our website for updates and changes to any of our programs or information

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES AT BETH JUDEA

December 1	Sisterhood Chanukah Party
December 6	Tequila and Taters
December 7	Run for their Lives
December 7	Chanukah Event at JCC
December 7	Chavurah Cooking Class
December 7	Young Family Chanukah Program
December 9	Sisterhood Teaching
December 16	Chanukah Family Event

ROSH CHODESH

December 20	Rosh Chodesh 1
December 21	Rosh Chodesh 2



We are an inclusive community, please contact Lisa Neiman if you have any special needs.

Visit CBJs FB Page

A Gift Rooted in Gratitude: Honoring the Past, Strengthening the Future

By Leslie Abella, CBJ Board Secretary and member of Eit-Ratzon Committee

I had the pleasure of interviewing longtime CBJ member and past president Rob Friedman following the contribution made to Campaign Eit-Ratzon by he and his wife. Rob and Geri Friedman have been members of Congregation Beth Judea for over 40 years. Over four decades, they have consistently known CBJ to be a warm, welcoming place and a central focus of their Jewish lives. That drove their decision to make a generous contribution that includes naming honors for the Rabbi's Study.

When asked what motivates them to give at such a meaningful level, Rob reflected on the role CBJ has played throughout their lives. "We've always been strong supporters of CBJ," he shared. "Whenever there has been a need, we've tried to help. We wanted to make a meaningful contribution that would help perpetuate the synagogue for the next generation." Their support comes from a deep sense of responsibility to sustain the community that has supported them for more than 40 years.

The Friedman family story is woven into the fabric of CBJ. The congregation has been present for moments of celebration—both of their sons' bar mitzvahs—as well as during times when pastoral care was needed most. "The congregation has always been there for us," they said. "We feel very connected and blessed to be part of it. We want CBJ to be that place for others, just as it has been for us."

One aspect of CBJ they treasure, and which they hope every member experiences, is the warmth and welcoming they felt the first day they walked through the doors. That spirit has never faded. Over the decades, they have formed deep friendships and found a true sense of belonging. As a past president and longtime board member, Rob has also seen firsthand how that culture of warmth strengthens the congregation as a whole.

In choosing to name the Rabbi's Study with their gift, they reflected on the impact of rabbinic leadership over the years. "It recognizes the great rabbis we've had," said Rob, who complimented both Rabbi Zimbalist and Rabbi Lifshitz. "Morrie and Howard are both special to us and to the congregation. It felt meaningful to attach our family's name to the Rabbi's study.

As for the Eit-Ratzon campaign, Rob's viewpoint on this community fundraising effort is clear: Participation matters more than dollar amounts. "It's not about how much you give. Showing support in whatever way you can is what strengthens our congregation," Rob stated. "Having 100 percent participation from the Board of Directors speaks volumes to that commitment. If most of the congregation participates—no matter the amount—it bodes well for our future."

The Friedman's generosity reflects what is best about CBJ - a community rooted in care, sustained by commitment, and inspired by the belief that *together*, we can ensure a vibrant and welcoming home for generations to come.

The Friedman's hope is that every member will feel moved to take part in building CBJ's future. As we concluded our interview, Rob expanded on his appreciation of and dedication to CBJ. It was also clear to me that nothing would be more meaningful than a congregation where *everyone* chipped in at any level to help sustain and build our communal and spiritual home. Even I was reinvigorated about this exciting campaign after my conversation with Rob.

Visit the new Eit-Ratzon website at https://www.bethjudea.org/support/eit-ratzon/ for more information. Or simply point your phone's camera at this QR code, see the notification pop up with a link, tap the link.

Together we can do amazing things!

CONGREGATION BETH JUDEA

CAMPAIGN EIT-RATZON

A TIME TO RENEW. A FUTURE TO BUILD.

President's Message



RACHEL JORDAN
CBJ PRESIDENT

Bringing the Light Forward

Every year as Chanukah approaches, I take out a menorah that once belonged to my grandmother and was brought to the US when she immigrated from Ukraine in 1924. For most of my life, it sat safely on a shelf at my parents' house, and then my house when they moved. It was admired but untouched. It wasn't that we didn't love it. In fact, we treasured it so much that we were afraid of using it for what was probably an irrational fear of damaging it.



That changed in December 2016 on a CBJ-sponsored multifamily trip to Israel during Chanukah. One of our stops was Yad Vashem, the World Holocaust Remembrance Center in Jerusalem. While on the tour, we saw that the famous menorah from the iconic photograph, the one standing in defiance in a window framed against a Nazi flag, was missing from its display case. Our guide explained that each year, the descendants of the owners of that menorah take it home during Chanukah so they can light it with their family.

Something shifted in me in that moment. I thought of my grandmother's menorah, sitting on a shelf in my family room. When we returned home on the eighth night of Chanukah, we unpacked our suitcases, pulled that menorah down from its shelf, and placed candles into it for the very first time in my lifetime. We lit it proudly, its flames flickering with memory and a sense of continuity of our family's story.



My mother lighting her mother's/my grandmother's menorah for the first time in my lifetime (2016)

Since then, we use it every year. And every year, it reminds me that the objects we inherit and the traditions we cherish are meant to be lived, not preserved on a shelf or behind glass. Even if I must pick the melted wax off this treasured family heirloom, it is worth it.

This lesson resonates with the work we are doing through our capital campaign, Eit-Ratzon. Our building, like that menorah, is not just an artifact or a backdrop. It is the place where our community has davened, learned, celebrated, and grown for more than 50 years. The investments we are making today ensure that our sanctuary, our classrooms, and our gathering spaces remain vibrant and welcoming well into the future, and so they can be used by our community with pride.

Just as I chose to take my grandmother's menorah off the shelf and bring its light back into use, we are choosing to invest in our spiritual home, keeping it strong, safe, and full of life for the families who will come after us.

Chanukah reminds us that the light we share, even one small flame, can illuminate far more than we expect. Thank you to all who have already pledged to Eit-Ratzon and helped strengthen our community.

As we step into this season of light, I wish you and your family a Chanukah season filled with warmth, peace, and joy.

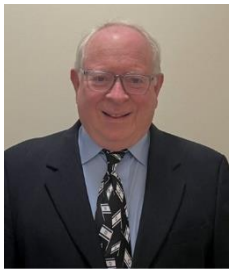
CHANUKAH EVENTS





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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



BRIAN SERLE
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL
PRINCIPAL

A Message About Inclusion
From Principal Brian Serle

Shalom, friends! As I mark the milestone of five months serving as your principal of Congregation Beth Judea's Barbara Robbins School for Jewish Learning, I am grateful for a community that truly values every child.

I am also excited to share an upcoming event: **on Sunday, December 14th, our Dalet (6th) and Heh (7th) class families will participate in an Inclusion Brunch and Learning Centers experience.** This gathering will highlight how we support diverse learners and celebrate the strengths each student brings to our community.

We have been working closely with both the Inclusion Committee and the Education Committee to ensure that the needs of all students are met and exceeded. Inclusion at our school is rooted in the belief that every child is created with purpose, dignity, and inherent worth. We strive to build a Jewish learning community where students feel seen and respected—academically, spiritually, and emotionally. The diverse abilities and perspectives our learners bring to our school enrich our classrooms and deepen our understanding of God's presence in our daily lives.

Our teachers work intentionally to help all students succeed. They differentiate instruction, collaborate with our madrikhim (teachers' aides), and cultivate a culture of cooperation and kindness. Guided by Jewish values, our students learn to celebrate one another's strengths, support each other through challenges, and practice empathy.

It is important that our madrikhim are properly trained to implement inclusion in our classrooms. They are trained throughout the year in the *Matan* curriculum, to ensure our teen leaders learn how to be inclusive in all their school activities. *Matan* envisions a world in which all Jewish communities are stronger and more vibrant because people with and without disabilities share meaningful, inclusive experiences throughout every life stage. A big Thank You to Sarah Heiger for heading up the madrikhim training.

It is a privilege to serve as your principal. I am appreciative of our dedicated teachers, our caring madrikhim, our supportive staff, and the families who partner with us to create a warm, inclusive home for Jewish learning.

Thank you!

Brian Serle, Principal



נלמד את ילדינו
We shall teach
our children

The Barbara Robbins
School for Jewish Learning











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“Drive In” Movie and Bears “Tailgate”

















B’nei Mitzvah Bios



Joshua Lewis Siegel

Joshua Lewis Siegel will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, December 6, 2025.

Josh is a seventh grader at Cooper Middle School in Buffalo Grove. Josh plays the Viola in the Symphony Orchestra and is in Student Council at Cooper. He is also in Boy Scouts and has a Blue Belt in Karate. In his free time, he enjoys golfing, reading, and cooking.

For his Mitzvah project Josh created a team to participate in the 2025 Heart Walk for The American Heart Association. Josh wished to remember and honor his Grandparents who all passed away from heart disease. He raised over $3,000 for the American Heart Association to help fund research, education, and community programs aimed at preventing heart disease and strokes.

Josh is looking forward to sharing his special day with his proud parents, Sandra and Richard. Josh is excited and grateful to celebrate with friends and family, many of whom will be traveling from out of town.

Josh would like to thank his Bar Mitzvah team - Kim Abern for her knowledge and guidance in helping him prepare for his Bar Mitzvah, and Rabbi Zimbalist, Cantor Bat-Sarah, and Sara Reid for all their help and encouragement.

CBJ response to Food Insecurity

Congregation Beth Judea responds to the all too real danger of food insecurity for so many. Please help us as we assist those in need by assuring that local food pantries can meet the rising needs of so many of our community neighbors. We have set up collection bins in our lobby. Food thus far collected has been delivered to Vernon Township, Wheeling Township and Kingswood Methodist Church.



Thank you for your generosity.







Synagogues Around the World

Have you visited and taken photos of synagogues on your travels? If so, we would love to feature them here in The Word. Please send your pictures to cbjoffice@bethjudea.org Subject line: shul pix.



This month, we visit our neighbors to the west- Rockford, Illinois. Reform Temple Beth El (established in 1913) also houses Conservative Ohave Shalom, thus serving a broader Jewish community. Photos by **Evan Rumack**.











SAVE THE DATE

CONGREGATION BETH JUDEA

GET READY TO GIDDY UP & GET DOWN AT

CBJ SALOON

SATURDAY, MARCH 7TH @ 8PM

JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED EVENING OF CASINO GAMING, GREAT FOOD, MUSIC, DANCING, AND PLENTY OF SPIRIT AS WE COME TOGETHER TO SUPPORT CONGREGATION BETH JUDEA.

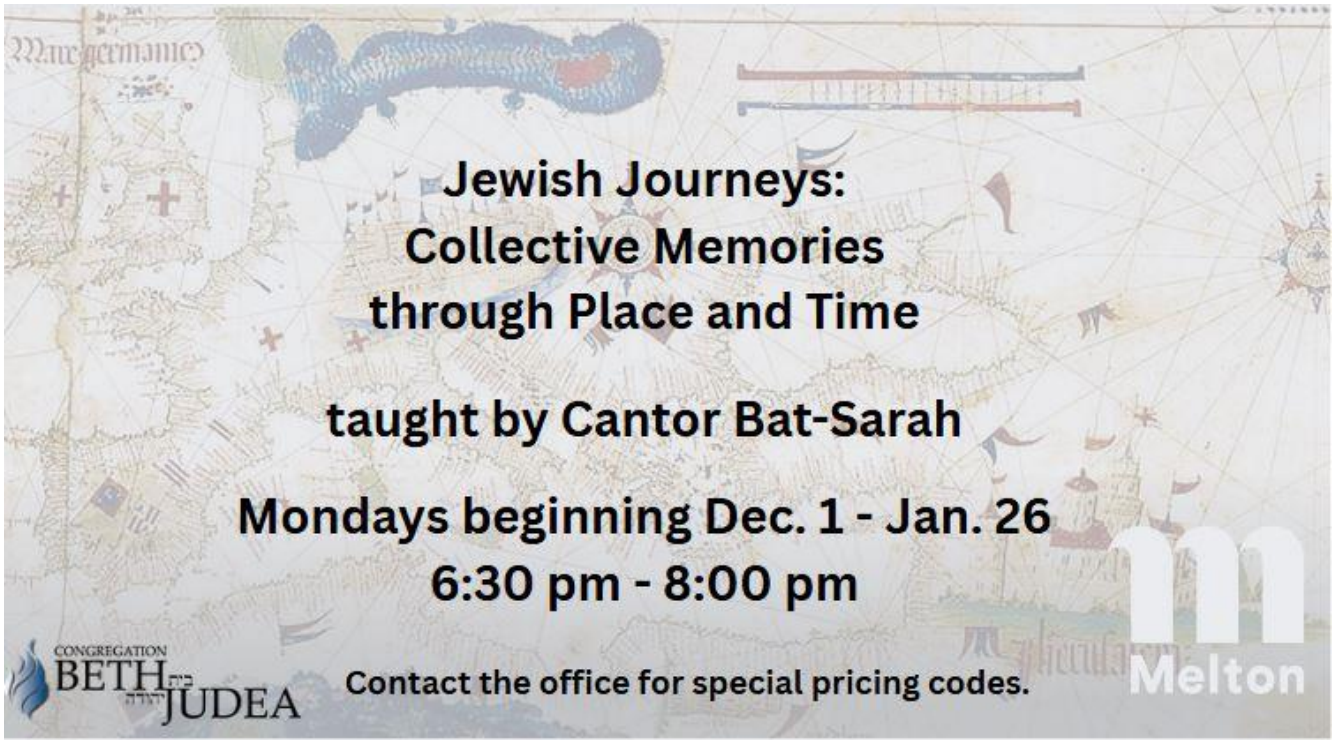
MARK YOUR CALENDARS — YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS IT!



SEE YOU THERE!

Adult Education





To Register for the Melton Class Go To www.meltonschool.org/beth-judea

Religious Education



Men's Club Social Action Program



Special Message
Our congregant Al Gimpel needs our help!

Al Gimpel is a beloved father and grandfather. You've likely seen him on the Bimah and on CBJ committees and at functions. He wants to be there to see his families grow.

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Renewal is a non-profit organization dedicated to saving lives by helping kidney donors and recipients navigate all aspects of the transplant process.

MEN'S CLUB

After the busyness of the holidays, a little slower time for the Men's Club in November was appreciated.

On Wednesday, November 5th, we offered Tap the Torah led by Orin Rotman. The topic was Engendering Gender and it was a lively and informative discussion.

On Sunday, November 16th, a group of us went to the Chicago Wolves hockey game. It was a fun time and I look forward to it being an annual event of the Men's Club, perhaps in conjunction with the Young Families Committee. Many thanks to Seth Goldberg for being the driving force behind it.

On Tuesday, November 18th, a little over 20 men from the congregation gathered at Sal & Tony's restaurant for Guys Night Out. It was an evening of pizza, drink and conversation and it was great to see some new people join us.

This month, on Saturday evening, December 6th, we have Tequila & Taters, a pre-Chanukah event co-sponsored with the Sisterhood.

Finally, on Sunday morning, December 14th, we'll be volunteering at the JUF Uptown Café, serving breakfast to those in need.

Wishing you a very joyous Chanukah,

Louis Rabin
Men's Club President
louleemg@aol.com

Sisterhood

Dear Fellow Congregants,

As I compose this article, I am thinking of the Channukah Pop Up, organized with love by our gift shop Mavens. We hope that you had a chance to stop by to purchase Channukah gifts for your friends and family. Thank you to the gift shop team for all of their hard work in planning and executing this event. And thank you to everyone who stopped by to support our hard working Sisters.
Please contact Ann Lerman if you would like to be a part of this amazing team!

We hope to see you at our annual combined Sisterhood and Men's Club Channukah event, Tequila and Tators on Saturday, December 6 at 6:30pm at CBJ. The evening will include Havdalah and dinner as well as a special taste testing with Rabbi Zimbalist. Please see the flyer in the weekly bulletin to RSVP for this fun event.

Please join us for our next Torah Fund event on Dec 9th. Cantor Bat Sarah will be discussing The Red Tent by Anita Diamont. The Red Tent is a first-person narrative that tells the story of Dinah, daughter of Jacob and Leah, sister of Joseph. She is a minor character in Totah; Diamant broadened her story. It will be a lively conversation for sure!

As we are raising funds for Torah Fund, an $18 donation is requested to join in on the fun. https://inspired.jtsa.edu/give/649648/#!/donation/checkout

We are looking forward to our Channukah event, Drinks & Dreidels, on December 1 at 6:30pm at CBJ. We will enjoy a demonstration and sampling of cocktail and mocktail recipes by Jarran. IN LIEU OF A GIFT EXCHANGE WE ARE ASKING YOU TO BRING A DONATION FOR THE VERNON TOWNSHIP FOOD PANTRY.
Please RSVP via the flyer attached to the weekly bulletin or on the CBJ Sisterhood Facebook page. We look forward to celebrating with you!

Sisterhood Shabbat will take place on January 10, 2026. Marcie Marcus and Marilyn Victor are working hard to include all Sisterhood members, who will be in town, to participate in this very meaningful service. When they contact you, please check your calendar and sign up for opportunities to participate. They will offer either Hebrew or English readings. Even if you are not participating, we hope that you will attend the service to support your Sisters on the Bima!
Marcie Marcus beaglemomjs@comcast.net or Marilyn Victor smvictor2@comcast.net

Thank you to our dedicated members of Book Club. It you are interested in joining, please contact Andrea Heiger for the information.

We hope to see you at any and all of our events!

Darlene Bikshorn and Michele Sussman
Congregation Beth Judea Sisterhood Co-presidents

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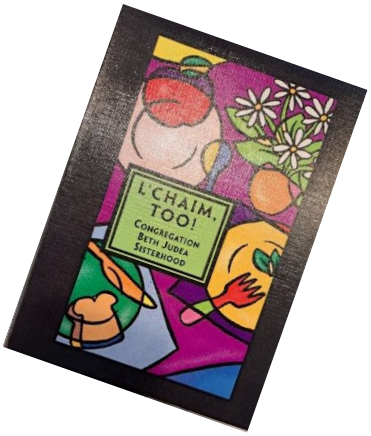
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Sisterhood Cookbook

Need help with holiday entertaining or everyday meal prep?

Don’t forget the collection of tried-and-true recipes for all occasions in our Sisterhood cookbook. Only $5 a copy!

Chanukah is around the corner and commemorates the rededication of the Temple following the victory of Judah the Macabee and his followers over the Syrian army and King Antiochus. Traditional foods are foods cooked in oil, helping us to remember the miracle of the small vial of oil, only enough for one day, which burned for 8 days. Latkes and sufganiyot, jelly donuts, are holiday favorites.



Take a look at these recipes from your fellow congregants:

1. Sufganiyot: fits the tradition of eating foods cooked in oil

2. Chanukah sugar cookies

Click here to access the recipes.

If you have any questions or want to purchase a cookbook, contact Laura Zoller at 312-391-8983 or lkz0410@gmail.com

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Sisterhood Gift Shop

The Sisterhood of Beth Judea proudly shares about our renowned Judaica Shop!



Our Gift Shop is open when Hebrew School is in session on Sundays from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and Tuesdays from 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Please email giftshopcbj@gmail.com to schedule an appointment for a tallit.

Our Judaica Shop carries a wide variety of items and gifts with continually updated inventory. Come take a look.

Our extensive collection of tallitot, for both men and women, is a specialty we are known for in the Chicagoland area! We always have approximately 100 tallitot in stock…most of them made in Israel!



Cookbooks

Congregation Beth Judea Gift Shop

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Torah Pins

LIFE IN ISRAEL THE GOODMANS' BLOG



Howie and Suzanne Goodman were valued members at Beth Judea until they decided to make aliyah in 2009. The Goodmans have agreed to provide us with a blog on their experiences as new olim in Israel. Though we continue to miss the Goodmans, we can all look forward to reading about their adventures in Israel through the blog.

To learn more about the Goodman's life in Israel *click here to share their experience.*

Tzedakah Fund

The Men's Club makes donations from the minyan tzedakah box to various organizations. Donations have been made to:

Hillel International
MAZON

We thank all those who have contributed to the tzedakah fund administered by Men's Club.

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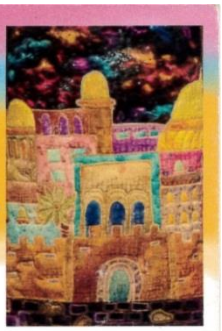
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DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

We wish a very Happy Birthday to the following members of our Beth Judea Family:

December 1	Aaron Rothenberg Heidi Sakol
December 2	Kim Bauman Alexander Feygin
December 3	Laura Barshefsky Jerome Gothelf
December 5	Leah Chiprin Harold Rosen
December 6	Carl Weiss
December 7	Marah Altenberg Rebecca Schachter
December 8	Ann Lesley Rosen
December 9	Aryn Geiger Sharon Harris Tanya Lubner-Brumer Randee Weiss
December 10	Jamie Breslaw Stephen Busch Mark Sheft David Waitz
December 11	Andrew Bauman
December 12	Harvey Brickman Casey Spitz
December 14	Jeffrey Julis Sharon Weil
December 15	Rebecca Lipson
December 17	Michelle Harrington James Hyman
December 19	Steven Berkowitz Robert Schwartz
December 20	Rebecca Andreoli
December 21	Kristie Fingerhut
December 22	Harriette Elisco
December 23	Philip Andreoli Neil Jordan Ronald Kovich Alfred Levinson Neal Resnik
December 24	Rachel Gottfried
December 25	David Karp Jeanne Krulewich
December 26	Howard Ganden
December 27	Bruce Darin Arthur Freedman Rita Mathias Elizabeth Mills Maureen Stolman Suzanne Waitz
December 28	Edward Grossman
December 30	Noah Ban
December 31	Nick Anderson Evelyn Polvi

NOTE: If your name is missing from the list please contact the synagogue so we can update your information in our files.

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

We wish a very Happy Anniversary to the following members of our Beth Judea Family:

December 1	Pamela & Kevin Rosenberg
December 2	Carrie & Michael Shultz
December 3	Myra & Neil Borkan Staci & Michael Levy
December 4	Marcie & Alan Marcus Deborah & Howard Tolsky
December 10	Stephanie & David Schneider
December 11	Lisa & Jason Neiman
December 13	Rebecca & Philip Andreoli
December 16	Pamela & Joel Polakow Marny & Brian Schwartz
December 17	Sally & David Sherman
December 18	Sandra & Paul Drizner Lynn & Arthur Freedman Erica & Gary Krugel
December 19	Susan & Aaron Hershinow Lois & Stewart Margolis
December 20	Irina & Leo Zeltser
December 21	Kathryn & Gary Harris Jackie & Brian Solway
December 22	Carol & Harold Rosen
December 23	Trudy & Robert Balogh Rachel & Marc Gottfried
December 27	Sue-Ellen & Fred Duboe Laura & Stan Zoller

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December Yahrzeits



YOU WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED

AND ARE ALWAYS IN OUR HEARTS



December 5

Florence Balfour*
Martin Dubin
Anna Fuhrman*
Samuel Gold*
George Johnson
Irving Kolko
Irwin Mandelblatt
Herbert Miller*
Ellyn Polonsky
Enrique Ribot
Marvin Rosenberg
Rose Schwartz*
Sarah Singer*
Elsa Spitz
Sydney Witlin*

Lionel Brazen
Bernard Epton
Rhonda Gerchikov
Sophie Harvis*
Florence Kanter*
Gittel Lettvin
Morrie Mangurten
Scot Partner*
Barbara Pressburger
Phil Robin
William Rubin*
Sidney Schwartz*
David Skerker*
Don Spivak*
Chaim Zimbalist*

Norman Domash*
Donald Fischoff
Barbara Golan
Harry Isenberg
Burton Kasen*
Enid Levsky
Sondra Meyers
Rivka Polakow
Sylvia Rabin*
Marvin Rose*
Louis Schnabel
Phyllis Shatz*
Frieda Skerker*
Louis Stein*

December 12

Rochelle Adelman
Ann Bernstein*
Lenore Darin
Michael Feldman*
Nancy Gordon
Lee (Lena) Meyer Katz*
Marshall Koplitz
Fern LeVine
Esther Morgenstein*
Robin Pollack
Florence Robinson*
Silvie Serbin*
Lois Soble
Sofia Sznaper*
Gilbert Wernick

Nathan Ander
Pearl Brickman*
Miriam Eisenwasser
Nathan Finn*
Charlotte Guttenberg*
Clara Kersky
Bertha Kravitz*
Harold Mayeroff
Pearl Palmer
Sidney Prosansky*
Sam Rubenstein*
Jack Singer*
Sidney Stark
Rose Toch*
Helene Yessinger

Esther Bergman*
Celia Burg*
Moshe Elbaum*
Nathan Gladstein*
Jack Hoffman
Allan Koplitz
Herman Leavitt*
Doris Mazer
Khaim Pesin
Pearl Rizman*
Nathan Schwartz
Dr Maurice Slivnick
Rose Stephan
Florence Wasserman
H Jack Zussman*

* *Denotes the deceased has a yahrzeit plaque*.
If you are interested in purchasing a plaque please contact the synagogue office.

December Yahrzeits



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December 19

Bernice Altman
Louis Elisco
Abraham Fuhrman*
Arline Holman
Jack Lato*
Hyman Loeb*
Lewis Mitchell*
David Phillips
Jacqueline Pollard
Gordon Wein
Robert Weiss
Ilene Becker*
Ruth Fagan*
Louis Goldberg*
Ellen Klein*
Sidney Levine
Mae Mandel
Dorothy Patt
Edward Platt
Ben Shugan
Sylvia Wein
Charles Wolf*
Samuel Davidov
Asna Fagin*
Max Halperin*
Elynor Klein*
Sara Lipson
Shirlee Marcovis
Emanuel Pearl
Benjamin Levi Plaut
Lila Treadwell
Bessie Weiner*
Max Zakaman*

December 26

Robert Atlas
Maxwell Clamage
Harvey Gold
Lewis Jaffe
Barbara Kasper
Israel Levine*
Stephanie Lustig*
Ann Pervosky
Sylvia Polakow*
Philip Rockwell
Faye Rita Salat*
Harriet Sumner*
William Toch*
Harry Weinstein*
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	Ilse Sender*	**Larry Silver***	**Samuel Silver***
	Faye Singer*	**Sylvia Travis***	**Bernard Weisel***
	Susan Wolfe	**Bernice "Bunny" Yegelwel***	**Elizabeth Zeltser**
January 9	**Irving H. Babbitt**	**Erwin Berenson**	**Morry Biel**
	Daniel Brown	**Irving Coady***	**Samuel Cooper***
	Alfred Feiger	**Jane Friedland***	**Lorin Greenberg**
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	Harvey Shiffman*	**Rudolph Snyder**	**Celia Spivak***
	June Walcer*	**Alfred Weiner**	**Morris Weiner***
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January 16	**Harriet Ament**	**Ralph Barnett**	**Steven Bartell**
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Morris Lessin*
Gertrude Manewith
Darrell Pollack*
Eva Sanes*
Roger Soloway
Joy Taub
Ruth Zeiger
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January 30

Anna Berkovitz*
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Worship Schedule

Conducted by
Rabbi Morris Zimbalist
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Shabbat Evening Services .....7:00.p.m.
Shabbat Morning Services ..... 9:30 a.m.
Alternative Shabbat Service (Interpretive Minyan).. 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Morning Minyan:
Sunday ..... 9:00 a.m.
Monday through Friday ..... 7:30 a.m.

Weekday Evening Minyan:
Sunday through Thursday ..... 7:30 p.m.

Candle Lighting Times

Candle Lighting time is calculated for 18 minutes before sunset and is adjusted for Daylight Savings Time.

December 5 …… … 4:02 p.m.
December 12 …….. 4:02 p.m.
December 19 ……..... 4:04 p.m.
December 26 ……..……4:08 p.m.

The Blessing For Lighting The Candles On Shabbat is

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Bo-ruch A-tah Ado-nai E-lo-hei-nu Melech Ha-olam A-sher Ki-de-sha-nu Be-mitz-vo-tav Vi-tzi-va-nu Le-had-lik Ner Shel Shabbat.

Blessed are You, Lord our God, King of the universe, who has hallowed us through His Commandments, and has commanded us to kindle the lights of the holy Sabbath.