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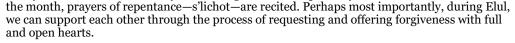
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FROM THE RABBI - Rabbi Paul Schreiber, Reb Tuviah

A Month For Reflection

Each year as summer fades into fall, Jewish tradition invites us to turn inward. The month of Elul, which begins on the evening of the 20th of this very month, precedes the High Holy Days of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. We dedicate this time to preparing ourselves for the holidays so we can experience them as fully as possible. During Elul we are asked to look into ourselves. We think about who we are and who we want to be. Whose forgiveness do we need in order for us to enter into a new year with a clean slate? Judaism offers help for this period of introspection in several ways: The shofar sounds daily, awakening us from complacency; later in



And so, as we approach the month of Elul, and we ready ourselves for the upcoming Yamim Noraim, the Days of Awe, it is time to take stock and make plans for improvements in our lives. Here are four suggestions as how to harness the energy of this period to stand proud and show our Jewishness to the world and ourselves.

Make a list of your dreams and goals

Take some time to think about your goals for the coming year and write them down. A recent study at Dominican University in California shows that people who wrote down their goals were 42% more likely to achieve them than those who merely thought about their goals. Researchers have found those who shared their list of goals with a friend were particularly likely to follow through.

Deepen your connection to your Jewish community

Connecting with our wider Jewish community enriches us greatly. For children, exposure to Jewish summer camp and Sunday morning religious school are the greatest predictors that kids will identify Jewishly. The more Jewish content we bring into our homes and our families, the greater our kids' Jewish identity will be. Adults also gain tremendously by immersing themselves in the Jewish community. If you are not already doing so, make a firm commitment to spend Shabbat with the larger Jewish community by attending services regularly at Congregation Beth Shalom. You may also consider enrolling in a Jewish adult education class, signing up for a Jewish newsletter, subscribing to a Jewish newspaper, magazine or website, or volunteering for a Jewish charity. During the upcoming month of Elul, consider taking concrete steps to make you and your family feel a deeper connection with the Jewish people.

Deepen your connection to the Jewish State

With Israel increasingly under siege and subject to slander in much of the world, take steps to deepen your connection to the Jewish homeland. Start reading the English editions of Israeli newspapers, visit Israeli news sites, and to help counter lies about Israel, sign up for updates from organizations like HonestReporting (www.HonestReporting.com) or StandWithUs (www.standwithus.com).

Celebrate Jewish life ... with others!

The Jewish calendar provides a constant stream of joyous holidays to celebrate. The weekly holiday of Shabbat gives a much-needed break to the weekly grind, and the Jewish mitzvah of hachnasas orchim, or inviting guests, ensures that we never need celebrate alone. Consider inviting people over for Shabbat dinner, and be sure to celebrate Shabbat and the many Jewish holidays with your CBS family. Together, we'll experience the joy within Judaism as we share it with one another.

Nancy and I so look forward to spending the High Holidays with all of you!

L'Shalom, Reb Tuviah

FROM THE PRESIDENT - Steve Slavkin

I hope as I write this that all of you are safe and healthy, and **Our Vision** doing what is needed to keep yourself that way.

As I contemplate the future of our sacred community at Congregation Beth Shalom, I'm thinking about what are my guiding principles. I find I take inspiration from our Mission and Vision statements. This might be a good time to restate them.

Our Mission

Congregation Beth Shalom, the historic center of Jewish life serving Eastern Hillsborough County, is a Reform congregation that offers a warm welcoming and nurturing home to all who seek a meaningful connection to Judaism. We are dedicated to learn (Torah), pray (Avodah), serve (G'milut Chasadim), and be an active presence in the community.

Our Commitments

We are committed to... ... promoting lifelong Jewish learning that includes vibrant, relevant and inspiring religious educational programs for our children and adults. ... creating a caring community with meaningful rituals to celebrate moments of joy and provide comfort at times of sorrow. ... celebrating Shabbat and other holidays with worship that is relevant, uplifting and engaging for all. ... integrating traditional Jewish values and customs with the realities of contemporary Jewish life. ... affirming the collective importance of contributing to the ongoing well-being of the communities in which we live. ... welcoming and accepting all people warmly regardless of their religious upbringing, gender, sexual orientation, race, marital or employment status.



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- **♯** Friday worship services at 7:30 p.m.
- **☼** Religious school pre-k through 10th grade
- **♥ Complete B'nai Mitzvah** preparation
- **♥ Youth group program**ming
- **⋄** Adult Education classes
- **♥** Community-wide events. including Mitzvah Day

Upcoming Dates To Remember

• Sunday, Aug. 9, 10 a.m.: Congregation Beth Shalom Open House—A Meet & Greet. More details on pages 5 and 8.



- Tuesday, Aug. 11, 6:30 p.m.: Ladies Night Out. Please see page 9 for more information.
- **Sunday, Aug 16, 9:30 a.m.:** First day of religious school. Information about enrollment can be found on page 7.
- Saturday, Aug. 22, 7:30 p.m.: Virtual Dinner With The Tribe. Details on page 4.
- Monday, Sept. 21, 7 p.m.: Page Turners. See page 4 for details.

Religious Education Calendar, page 7;

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August Oneg Schedule

There can be no joy without food and drink. — Talmud, Mo'ed Katan

We hope you and your family are doing well.

The Oneg Committee has not scheduled oneg hosts for the month of August.

Since the temple has been closed for more than three months, we are waiting for our executive board to notify us as soon as they are able to determine at which time they feel it is safe to re-open the synagogue.

Once we have been given the heads up, we will contact the oneg hosts, who so generously offered to take a date in April—July, to see if they are available for a future date.

If you have any questions or are interested in hosting an oneg, please contact us (Judith 856-816-2174, and Anna 707-628-5399).

Anna Feldman & Judith Pliner

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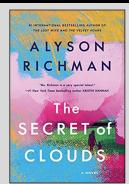
Weekly Email Blast submissions

<u>bethshalominfo@gmail.com</u> eBlast deadline is Wednesday at 4 p.m.

PAGE TURNERS

Monday, Sept. 21, at 7 p.m., Page Turners will meet to discuss The Secret of Clouds by Alyson Richman.

The Secret of Clouds is from the international bestselling author of The Lost Wife and The Velvet Hours. It is an emotionally charged story about a mother's love, a teacher's promise, and a child's heart. Katya, a rising ballerina, and Sasha, a graduate student, are young and in love when an unexpected tragedy befalls their native Kiev. Years later, after the couple has safely emigrated to America, the consequences of this incident cause their son, Yuri, to be born with a rare health condition that isolates him from other



children. Maggie, a passionate and dedicated teacher, agrees to tutor Yuri at his home, even though she is haunted by her own painful childhood memories. As the two forge a deep and soulful connection, Yuri's boundless curiosity and unique wisdom inspires Maggie to make difficult changes in her own life. And she'll never realize just how strong Yuri has made her—until she needs that strength the most.

A novel that will make readers examine what it means to live life with a full heart.

DINNER WITH THE TRIBE — Anita Clifford

Saturday, Aug. 22, 7:30 p.m.



Anita Clifford

Since we had a COVID-19 spike in local cases, our Dinner With the Tribe for July was canceled. We look forward to a dinner Saturday, Aug. 22, at 7:30 p.m., but the situation is fluid and safety is our primary concern. Meanwhile, How about a Zoom Virtual Dinner With the Tribe? We can have a glass of wine and schmooze. Directions to come in our weekly eblast.

Anita Clifford niewdnarb@yahoo.com

CBS FINANCIALS

In an effort to be transparent to all of our congregants, Congregation Beth Shalom will be publishing its monthly financials for all to see, and they can be found in the link below.

https://bethshalom-brandon.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/173/2020/06/CBS-2000.5.31-PL-vs-Budget-Kibbitzer.pdf

With this transparency, we welcome all to note areas of need, and we welcome any suggestions or contributions to keep CBS on firm financial footing.

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Join with CBS in offering congratulations and recognition to the following members on their accomplishments:

KUDOS

• Kudos to **Dave Friedman**, **Mitch Baylis & Suzie Baylis**, **Mark & Sheryl Finke**, **the Lubin family**, and **Gabe Lifschitz** for their work on tidying the congregation grounds, as well as cleaning air conditioning ducts, repairing ceiling tiles, and general inside cleaning.



Do you know a CBS member who should be congratulated for a special accomplishment? If so, email the name and accomplishment to cbs-admin@hotmail.com.

MEMBERSHIP

The membership committee has been busy getting the word out about our new rabbi and



our FREE religious school program for members.

We are looking forward to our Open House Meet & Greet and hope that you are all spreading the word on your social media and neighborhood websites as well. (Please see page 8 for more details.)

Please let us or Jenny, our temple administrator, know if you hear of someone who is interested in Congregation Beth Shalom so we can be sure to send them information!

– Sandee Pelk and Lea Garbett



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LIFELONG LEARNING — Janice Perelman

What is Life Long Learning?



Life Long Learning, adult education, continuing education— all of these terms cover a variety of endeavors. The overall object is to enhance our lives with more information, relevant ideas, and new data in order to enable adults to lead more fulfilled lives.

Congregation Beth Shalom has presented many different topics and formats, and we hope to continue to do so in the near future. During the past year, we re-introduced Hebrew classes for adults. We entertained Howard Kerner as one of our speakers, exposing the goodness of so many people who saved a multitude of lives. We discussed stimulating books in Page Turners. We learned more about the Torah when we attended "A Touch of Tanach." We questioned and analyzed "Chats" with our rabbi on many topics. We addressed a variety of topics pertinent to our aging population, a series which is expected to resume in the future.

<u>Future Learning</u>

- "A Celebration of Goodness" with speaker Howard Kerner, the third in a series of wonderful presentations about the basic goodness that many Muslims courageously displayed during World War II.
- The last of our extensive series dealing with aging issues, "We're Not Getting any Younger," to be presented by Charles Segal, director of the Segal Funeral Home. Everyone who attended the first three sessions of this series will automatically be registered to attend this one at no additional charge.
- "What's new in the kitchen?," a series of cooking classes to whet our appetites for good food. We are experiencing the surprise and dismay of restaurants open for take

CBS Adult Education

Are You Smarter Than a Hebrew Schooler Level 1, 2, and 3?

This 8-week course is only \$18!

We will be meeting in person and at the congregation. Day and times will be announced after CBS reopens our doors.

Sign up by contacting Jenny, our CBS administrator. You can reach the temple office at 813-681-6547 or email cbs-admin@hotmail.com.

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Members of the Life Long Learning Committee attend monthly meetings, share ideas and suggestions, and assist and attend events sponsored by the committee. We welcome Caren Magdavitz as a new member of the committee, and we are always happy to include new faces. To join, please write to chinadollip@verizon.net or call (813) 748-8042.

-out only, requiring us to do more cooking at home. Let's learn some new recipes, as well as replicating how our grandmothers and mothers cooked. We'll experiment with a "recipe" for combining culture, history, and creativity.

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EDUCATION

The Congregation Beth Shalom Open House Meet & Greet is scheduled for Sunday Aug. 9, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Please visit with us and learn more about the religious school. Our religious school classes are designed to meet the educational needs of children pre-kindergarten through confirmation. We are continuing our cutting-edge religious school curriculum, specifically developed for Congregation Beth Shalom. During the

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event, you will have an opportunity to preview the curriculum, review the text books, meet with our returning teachers, and enroll your children in classes.

We are continuing with a once-a-week program beginning with Sunday, Aug. 16, for all grades, and we hope to open onsite employing all safe-guards to protect the health and

Important Dates

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- Aug 16, 9:30 a.m.: First day of religious school

well-being of our students and teachers. For grades 2 through 7, school hours continue to be 9:30 a.m. - noon, but our day begins with our worship service at 9:30 a.m. The service is followed by a 1-hour Hebrew class and 1-hour Judaica class. For pre-K through 1st grade, following the worship service, these children will engage in diverse activities taking

in to account their younger needs. A calendar of classes will be available at the Open House Meet & Greet.

Our Board of Directors recently unanimously approved the fee structure for 2020-21 religious school year. I am very pleased to announce that religious school is being offered at NO COST to all Congregation Beth Shalom members. If you are aware of any families wishing to enroll their children in the religious school programming, please have them contact the temple office for membership details. It is our mission to ensure that no Jewish child left behind in their Jewish journey.

To further cater to the needs of our community, we are continuing the "L'Dor Vador" program for students age 11 - 16 who have not had any training and or have not been Bar or Bat Mitzvah. It is our goal to pass on our traditions from generation to generation. This will be a special two-year program culminating with the B'Nai Mitzvah. These students will be meeting during regular religious school hours. With the final 9-months of the program, the students will

CONFIRMATION

Calling all teens who want to continue to explore his/her growth and knowledge of Judaism, Jewish thought, and Jewish life!

Plans are now under way with Reb Tuviah to meet with our confirmation students, youth group members, and any interested teens ages 13 - 16 effective with the 2020-21 school year. We are considering meeting monthly, but no specific dates have been identified.



Topics being considered for these meetings could include:

- how to address modern issues within the text of Jewish law.
- ethical practices,
- the place of Israel in our lives,
- anti-Semitism and racism, and
- other religions.

However, we welcome any suggestions from our youth or their parents.

With your help, the curriculum can be exciting and interesting —and we hope to provide further conversations within families about Judaism and Jewish life.

If you have any suggestions for this program, please reach out to Reb Tuviah at rebtuviah@gmail.com or the temple office.

also be attending private tutoring to specifically prepare for their B'Nai Mitzvah. Attendance in this program requires membership at Congregation Beth Shalom. The cost of this program is normally \$325 annually; however, for this year, religious school is FREE. There will be a B'Nai Mitzvah fee prior to beginning the 9-month tutoring program. We believe every child should be afforded the Jewish experience despite any circumstances. We look forward in working with the family to encourage this significant life goal.

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Congregation Beth Shalom Open House Meet & Greet

Sunday, August 9 10am - 11:30am



Join us outside on our front lawn as we welcome you to the CBS community. Explore the many committees & social groups CBS offers; families will have the opportunity to register for religious school.

Congregation Beth Shalom invites you to attend an outdoor "Open House Meet & Greet" to learn about the congregation. To remain COVID-19 compliant, we kindly ask that you wear a mask and practice social distancing. The building is currently closed, but we still look forward to meeting you.

Please note, the Meet & Greet is subject to change based on COVID-19 updates.

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Ladies Night

2nd Tuesday of each month 6:30pm

Enjoy a night out with the ladies of CBS!

We will dine at local restaurants, attend cooking demos, get creative with art/craft classes, play bunco, enjoy pot luck dinners, and more!

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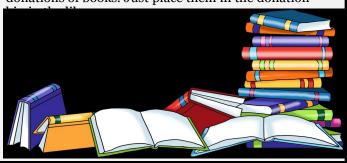
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Once a month, our religious school students visit the library and learn about the various books we have available (based on their interests) for them to take home and read. Cooking, music and the Holocaust are very popular subjects. Did you know that we have in our library a children's Chanukah counting book that is printed in English, Hebrew & Yiddish?

If you are doing some spring cleaning, we welcome donations of books. Just place them in the donation





HIGH HOLIDAYS

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

- · Saturday, Sept. 12: Selichot
- Friday, Sept. 18: Erev Rosh Hashanah
- Saturday, Sept. 19: Rosh Hashanah 1st day
- Morning Service
 Immediately followed by Tashlich service at Brandon Parkway Trail, 600 Pauls Drive, Brandon
 - Children's Service
- Sunday, Sept. 20: Rosh Hashanah 2nd day
- Friday, Sept. 25: Shabbat Shuvah
- Sunday, Sept. 27: Memorial Service at Beth Shalom Cemetery in Hillsboro Memorial Gardens, 2323 W Brandon Blvd, Brandon, with Rabbi Jason Rosenberg of Temple Beth Am
- Sunday, Sept. 27: Erev Yom Kippur / Kol Nidrei
- Wednesday, Sept. 28: Yom Kippur
 - Morning Service
 - Study Session with Reb Tuviah
 - Children's Service
 - Yom Kippur Afternoon Service
 - Yizkor Memorial Service
 - Ne'ilah Conclusion
 - Havdalah followed by Break The Fast
- Sunday, Oct. 4: Sukkot
- **Saturday, Oct. 10:** Sim chat Torah. We will begin with Havdalah and continue with our Simchat Torah celebration.

All are welcome to participate in the spiritually meaningful High Holy Days Services this year at CBS. If you are aware of anyone interested in joining our community to celebrate this important time with us, please direct them to the Temple Administrator Jenny Allen at (813) 681-6547.

All events will be live-streamed from CBS with Reb Tuviah and Sandy Santucci, or from Temple Beth David with Reb Tuviah and a professional cantor, except the Sunday, Sept. 27, Memorial Service. Please see the eblast for deShalom to my congregational family and guests to this edition to *The Kibbitzer*! I hope this email finds everyone safe and healthy.



We are now approaching the beginning of a new Jewish year, 5781. This is the time that we must reflect on our past year and how we have lived our lives as Jews. We must take this time to consider our past, change our present, and build for our future. We must decide how we

wish to live 5781 in a meaningful way, honoring our Jewish traditions.

The High Holy Days are always a busy time at Congregation Beth Shalom. To help you navigate the holidays, we are Including the High Holy Days schedule. We, of the Ritual Committee, encourage you to attend the Selichot service and our High Holy Days Services, led by our Reb Tuviah and Cantorial Soloist Sandy Santucci.

As is our custom, we will offer our full complement of services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, including children's/family services for both holidays. Shortly after Yom Kippur, we celebrate Sukkot Under The Stars, and then close the High Holy Days Season with our Simchat Torah celebration.

You should be receiving your High Holy Days Packets in the mail, where you will find a schedule of all events and your tickets. Please bring the tickets to temple during the High Holidays for admission to services as a security measure. For those who are unable to attend our worship services, virtual access will be offered via Zoom and the Congregation Beth Shalom Facebook page.

The packet will also include additional information about High Holy Days traditions and customs, as well as our usual materials, including information about our Tree of Life and Yahrzeit Plaque opportunities. Also, for those who observe Yizkor, PLEASE remember to fill out the Book of Remembrance (BOR) form and follow the instructions for returning it. Add any new names you wish to have read as part of the service. If you had names included in it last year, you should have had those names included with your BOR form in this year's packet. Please take a moment to check the names and spellings to ensure there are no errors. (If there are, please correct and return—if there are not, please still return the form!) Copies of this form can be found on the CBS website (www.bethshalom-brandon.org), the High Holidays packet, and can be obtained at the synagogue.

Also, if you can, please volunteer to assist with aspects of the events, which include:

- Volunteer to greet/usher
- Help with parking
- Bring nonperishable food to support the food drive.
- Make honey cakes for the Rosh Hashanah Oneg (contact Sandy Santucci, 813-672-9080, LadyCantor54@gmail.com)
- Bring food for Yom Kippur Break the Fast

No effort is too small and everything is much appreciated!

Finally, be sure to look at the upcoming weekly email blasts and our congregational Facebook page for special High Holy Days Information.

HIGH HOLIDAYS — Sheila Fishman

Torah Readers Needed

There has been a changing of the guard ...

With the recent temple election, Steve Slavkin has been named president of the congregation. As such, he has stepped down as chair of the Ritual Committee, after serving for almost 5 years in that capacity. He did an amazing job during that time.

Sheila Fishman has now been appointed chair of that committee. Several members of that committee continue to serve, but we have so much work ahead of us. We need to address the departure of Rabbi Bryan, who has served us well for the past two years, plan for the arrival of Reb Tuviah on July 1, and begin the work of orchestrating the High Holy Day services. All of these tasks take time and the help of many congregants. Additionally, we must learn to provide services and programming in a new environment. We must learn to work with new technologies as we determine how and when to reopen our temple in this new world.

We are also hoping that our previous Torah readers for the High Holy Days will, again read their portions with the upcoming holidays. However, we need additional readers. Whether you have done this in the past or wish to do so for the first time, we have a program in place to receive a small Torah portion and to study with Michael Lubin, one of our religious school teachers and Haftarah reader in advance of the High Holy Days.

<u> A Note About Pastoral Care</u>

Reb Tuviah wants to know when congregants are in need of pastoral care.

This includes but is not limited to: when our congregants or their family members are in the



hospital, recently lost a loved one, or otherwise may need his support.

If you hear about a congregant in need, please contact Reb Tuviah directly at rebtuviah@gmail.com

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Congregation Beth Shalom accepts donations for many purposes, with a variety of opportunities for donors to support the good works of the Temple. You may contact the office either by phone or email to make a contribution, or head to our website to make a secure online payment through a PayPal account or by using a credit card.

Funds:

- General Fund (unrestricted): An unrestricted gift to the General Fund allows the temple to use those funds wherever they may be needed most. This fund incorporates contributions received from our High Holy Day Appeal, Yahrzeit donations, Bricklets, Adopt-A-Book, Tree of Life (unless otherwise indicated) and other non-restricted gifts.
- Building Fund: A fund to ensure the continuing physical growth of our spiritual home. Intended for capital improvements and major building repairs.
- Endowment Fund: Gifts to this fund are placed in an investment account and temporarily restricted or can be defined/restricted by the donor. This fund ensures the future of our temple.
- Religious School Scholarship Fund: These funds will be made available to Religious School students who are in need of tuition assistance, as determined confidentially by the Treasurer.
- Rabbi's Discretionary Fund: a fund for assistance to families in need, scholarship assistance, interfaith council, Holocaust museum and other endeavors at the Rabbi's discretion.
- Youth Group Fund: a fund that supports the ongoing engagement of post b'nai mitzvah youth, providing meaningful and fun experiences for our teens, and keeping them connected to their Jewish community.

If you wish to designate a gift to a particular purpose, for example, Food Bank, Choir, Oneg, Social Action, etc., you may do so by noting as such on your payment method or with an accompanying note; otherwise, your gift will be used where it is needed most.

Opportunities:

- Adopt-A-Book: A dedication label will be placed in one of our prayer books, to commemorate a simcha or in honor or memory of a loved one for just \$54.
- Bricklets: For as little as \$9 you can send a Bricklet Card instead of buying a card for birthdays, condolences, etc. A Bricklet Card in your name will be sent to the person you wish stating that a donation has been made in his or her name to Beth Shalom to honor the occasion.
- Tree of Life: The Tree of Life is on the back wall of our Sanctuary. An engraved leaf or stone can commemorate many simchas, b'nai mitzvah, wedding, birth, graduations, etc. Leaves are \$180, and stones are \$1800.
- Yahrzeit Plaque: To honor the death of a loved one, you may purchase a plaque that will be cared for in perpetuity for \$350. The name of the deceased along with their date of death is included on the plaque.

Unless otherwise noted by you, your gift will be acknowledged in The Kibbitzer the month following its receipt. If your donation is incorrectly listed or omitted, please notify the temple office immediately.

Donations listed below were received between June 16 and July 15.

GENERAL FUND

In Loving Memory of Oliver Workman Anna & Steve Feldman

In Loving Memory of Betty Hunt Joan Frankel

In Loving Memory of Beth Clare Gail and Michael Verlin

In Loving Memory of Harry & Rosalie Goldstein Cynthia Goldstein

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In Loving Memory of May Licht Janet Kavesh

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In Loving Memory of Michael Plesur Joseph Plesur



OUR CONGREGATION



Anniversaries

8/12 Howard & Sandy Saviet8/25 Dave & Carol Anne Friedman



Birthdays

| 8/1 | Jason Baessell |
|------|------------------|
| 8/3 | Lucas Oldman |
| 8/5 | Rachelle Wetsman |
| 8/6 | Elisha Santucci |
| 8/7 | Lindsay Finke |
| 8/9 | Randy Freedman |
| 8/13 | Sandy Saviet |
| 8/13 | Judy Lubin |
| 8/15 | Scott Savitt |
| 8/21 | Cheryl Lubin |
| 8/22 | Erica Jacobson |
| 8/22 | Sharon Elazer |
| 8/23 | Lisa Smith |
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Yahrzeits

| 8/1 | Harry | Feldman | Father | of | Myron | Feldman |
|------|---------------|-----------|------------------|----|-----------|-------------------|
| 8/1 | Robert | Miller | Father | of | Eric | Miller |
| 8/2 | Lilyan | Gould | Mother | of | Sandy | Saviet |
| 8/2 | Dorothy | Ratner | Mother | of | Ira | Ratner |
| 8/3 | Nathan Joseph | Stein | Father | of | Carolyn | Miller |
| 8/3 | Albert | Hebert | Father | of | Michael | Hebert |
| 8/6 | Josephine | Richter | Grandmother | of | David | Richter |
| 8/6 | Cecile | Balot | Mother | of | Keith | Balot |
| 8/6 | Robert A. | Northrup | Father | of | Robert | Northrup |
| 8/7 | Marvin | Zolner | Step Father | of | Carolyn | Miller |
| 8/10 | Samuel | Pepsin | Friend | of | Michael | Oertel |
| 8/11 | Ann | Zolner | Step Grandmother | of | Carolyn | Miller |
| 8/12 | Jack | Honig | Father | of | Rudina | Richter |
| 8/13 | Eleanor | Metz | Sister | of | Blossom | Grimm Silverstein |
| 8/13 | Gerald | Besterman | Father | of | Leslie | Boyar |
| 8/16 | Martin | Fishman | Brother | of | Errol | Fishman |
| 8/19 | Henry | Schindler | Father | of | Arlene | Slater |
| 8/19 | Seymour | Hindin | Father | of | Steven | Hindin |
| 8/20 | George | Moravnick | Father | of | Eunice | Rifkin |
| 8/20 | Richard | Glaser | Husband | of | Barbara | Glaser |
| 8/22 | Martin | Reisner | Uncle | of | Gary | Ronay |
| 8/28 | Elisabeth | Beckett | Grandmother | of | Christine | Stockelman |
| 8/28 | Howard | Raymond | Husband | of | Doris | Raymond |
| 8/28 | Nathan | Fishman | Father | of | Errol | Fishman |
| 8/30 | Elinor | Smith | Mother | of | Caren | Magdovitz |
| 8/31 | Sandra | Kluglose | Cousin | of | Carol | Wagner |
| 8/31 | Jan | Shadowens | Mother | of | Lea | Garbett |
| 8/31 | Edgard | Schwab | Father | of | Carol | Hindin |
| 8/31 | Marc | Vogel | Uncle | of | Bonnie | Jacob |
| 8/31 | Alan | Zazulia | Brother | of | Iylene | Miller |
| 8/31 | Herman | Finke | Father | of | Mark | Finke |
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Simchat Shabbat!

Come celebrate your birthday or anniversary with us! A special Shabbat service is held every month to honor all our joys for that month. For this month it will be:

August 21

The dates listed for the Yahrzeits are adjusted yearly according to the Jewish Calendar and may not necessarily coincide with the common date of death. Names are read for Kaddish at the Shabbat before the actual date. If you would like to have the common date listed, please contact the temple office.

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| a | ო | 4 7 pm Board Mtg | 5 Men's Club | 9 | 7 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service Kibbitzer Deadline | ω |
| 9 10 am CBS Open House Meet & Greet | 10 1st Day HCPS | 6:30 pm Ladies Night Out (tentative) | 7:30 pm Ritual Mtg | 13 6:30 pm Fundraising Mtg. | 14 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service Kibbitzer Deadline | 15 |
| 16 9:30 am 1st Day of RS | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 7:30 PM Simcha Shabbat Service | 22 |
| 23 9:30 am Religious School | 24 | 25 | 26 7:30 pm Ritual Mtg | 27 | 28 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service | 29 |
| 30 9:30 am Religious School | 31 | | | | | |



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