

THE SHOFAR



PASSOVER SEDER

Friday, April 19, 2019

6:00 P.M.

Join us for a community Seder led by Rabbi Eric and Linda

Menu and registration form on back page

Make your reservations today!

New Caterer!

A PRIEST, RABBI AND IMAM TALK ABOUT...

Three local religious leaders, Monsignor Joseph Donnelly, Rabbi Eric Polokoff & Imam Gazmend Aga, are taking the Saint John's Bible on the road for a lecture series at their three respective houses of worship. All are invited to enjoy these free events:



Join Rabbi Eric for these **free** events!

- Monday, April 8 at 7:00 pm. B'nai Israel Southbury, 444 Main Street North, Southbury. "Our Abraham."
- Monday, April 29 at 7:00 pm. Albanian Mosque, 38 Raymond Street, Waterbury. "The Other Joseph & His Story."

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Tuesday mornings	11:00 a.m.	Rabbi's Discussion Group-registration required
Sunday mornings	10:00 a.m.	Introduction to Judaism-see page 4 for schedule

For our most current calendar please visit our website at www.bnaisraelsouthbury.org

Donations

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

in memory of

Doris Garber

Herb Garber

Don Garber

Suzanne & Herbert Isaac

Fanny Haselkorn

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Theodore Linton

Leah Linton

Elizabeth Ival Stratford

Ival & Ron Kovner

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Lena Cohen

Phyllis & Samuel Klausner

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

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Rabbi Eric Polokoff

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Music Fund

in memory of

Helen Gleiberman

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Florence Hamar

Paula & Richard Getnick

Hasha Mintz

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Doris Garber

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Music Fund

in honor of

Abby Peklo

Anonymous

Lev Hozer

Anonymous

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in memory of

Henry Engelman

The Engelman Family

Ritual Fund

in memory of

Donald Garber

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Dawn & Bob Tendler

Lillian Denzel

Joyce & Lou Hozer

Caring Fund

in memory of

Rose Gianat

Bobbi Gianat

Don Garber

Marjorie Ross

Caring Fund

in honor of

**Birth of Ellen & Rob Zwang's
twin granddaughters**

Marjorie Ross

Did you know that donations to any of our funds can be made directly from our website? Just go to: www.bnaiisraelsouthbury.org and click on the "donate/scholarship" link at the top our homepage.

DONATE NOW



Dear B'nai Israel Sisterhood,

Thank you so much for all the delicious food donated which allowed us to feed so many of GWIM's hungry neighbors. Your kindness and generosity is much appreciated.

With love & gratitude,
Barbara Ann Dublin



The Ritual Committee is requesting donations of new or gently used tallitot to enhance the current inventory for the wooden stand outside the sanctuary donated by last year's B'nai Mitzvah class and lovingly crafted by Andrew Peklo. As a Reform congregation we understand that some of our congregants may choose to wear a tallit to enrich their worship experience. (No kippot donations please.)

Thank you!



ORDERING
KIPPOT & TALLIT
FOR YOUR
CHILD'S SERVICE

B'NAI ISRAEL JUDAICA SHOP

At B'nai Israel's Judaica shop, you can choose from a large selection of Tallit in varying sizes and materials, many made in Israel.

Many styles of Kippot are also available and can be customized with your child's name in Hebrew and/or English.

Please browse through our catalogs for candlesticks, mezuzot and other ritual items for yourself or for gift giving!

MAKE IT A MITZVAH!

When you purchase your Kippot and/or a Tallit from B'nai Israel's Judaica shop, a donation will be made to BIRS in honor of your child's Bar or Bat Mitzvah!

For more information call:

Michelle Rosen
(516) 320-5089



TRIVIA NIGHT

In celebrating today
we share past customs
and create future traditions.

Please join B'nai Israel Sisterhood
as it celebrates its 13th year
with a *Bat Mitzvah*.

JUNE 8TH
-SERVICE AND LUNCHEON-
10:00 a.m. All are welcome

PLEASE RSVP BY MAY 21ST
TO BNASISTERS@GMAIL.COM
OR CALL 203.267.3394



B'NAI ISRAEL SISTERHOOD
CELEBRATES ITS 13TH YEAR
with
a Bat Mitzvah
B'NAI ISRAEL 444 MAIN STREET NORTH SOUTHBURY, CT

Yahrzeits

4/5

Nancy Brandt
Allan Crystal
Nathan Davidson
 Sigmund Deutsch
Florence Erlanger
 Maye Gaber Halberstam
Joseph Goldberg
 Murray Goldberg
Harold G. Green
 Helene Handelman
Heather Rose Kornick
 Pauline Levedu
 Leopold Levy
Ann Protter
Jacob N. Rearson
Benjamin Saunders
Rae Spearo
 Claire Wozasek
Marvin Yaffe
 Rose Zetzer

4/12

Max Berland
Franklyn Danen
 Joseph David Dover
Freda Erlanger
Jennie Berman Finkelstein
 Henry Fleischman
Bertha Fleisher
Rita Friedman
Mollie Goldfarb
Joseph Halperin
Celia Kosersky
Meyer Land
Albert Leopold
 Helen Friedman Perretz
 Ranny Ranzer
C. Howard Shore
 Jack Stern
Edward Traurig

4/19

Mitchell Backon
 Lillian Borenstein
 Sofie Deutsch
Edith Effren
Ben Hofstadter
 Michael Hozer
Aaron Jarmak
Rose Mahler
David L. Martin
Rose Menaker
 Ray Oliviera
 Anne Paley
 Philip Schwartz
Benjamin Weiss
 Henrietta Wurzbarger
Carlos Yelin
Henrietta Zackin

4/26

Martin Bodian
 Abram Bress
Bernard Feinman
 Abe Geller
 Renee Goldman
 Peter Hall
Harry P. Horn
 Adeline Isaac
Herman Lester
 Frances Lieber
 Judy Marangio
Minnie Rich Myers
 Anne Oblas
Tobie Perlman
H. Walter Pye
Wallace Rifkin
David Rubin
Stephen Scharf
Lillian C. Spier
Morris Spirt
 Ben Theodore
David R. Traurig
Ethel Weiss
 Samuel R. Zetzer

Names indicated in **bold** have plaques on Memorial Boards in the rear of the Sanctuary.



Introduction to Judaism

For the curious, inquiring mind

This course offers background and context into the practices and understandings of Judaism, and the history of the Jewish People. It's not a "how to" observe Jewish precepts, or an exhaustive treatment of the subject. Instead, Rabbi Eric shares his sense of Judaism's essence, and how ancient narratives continue to resonate in contemporary life.

a 7-session semester led by Rabbi Eric Polokoff

Sundays from 9:30 AM to 10:40 AM in the Library

Remainder of Spring Semester 5779 / 2019

April 7, 2019
Session 7 The Rabbinic Period: Hillel & Shammai

April 28, 2019
Session 8 Lifecycle Part 1

May 19, 2019
Session 9 Lifecycle Part 2

Advanced registration required. For more information or to register office@bnaisraelsouthbury.org or 203.267.3394

b'nai israel

Adult Education

B'nai Israel Southbury

Tuesday mornings 11:00 a.m.-noon

Adult Ed classes are free to members
Non member registration is \$72 for fall & spring semesters

HOST AN ONEG

Call Sandy Marcus or Joyce Hozer if you are interested in hosting an Oneg or joining the committee

Sandy: (203) 264-9136

Onegs

- 4/05 Birthday Shabbat
Campfire Shabbat
BIRS Gr. K & 1
- 4/12 IAC Shabbat
The Fry Family in honor of
Nathan becoming a Bar Mitzvah
- 4/16 Passover
- 4/26 Yom HaShoah Observed
The Greenberg Family in honor of
Eric becoming a Bar Mitzvah



Birthdays

- 4/01 Larry Smotroff
- 4/04 Samantha Crotty
Shana Crotty
Dara McKenzie
Jay O'Brien
- 4/06 Jonathan Duguid
Dora Linnetz
Eve Stabinsky-Akert
- 4/08 Abigail Friedman
- 4/09 Jordan Burwin
- 4/11 Ira Goldman
Ava Stoltz
- 4/13 Jonathan Lee
- 4/15 Amy Bernon
Leslie Giden
Eric Silver
- 4/17 Alicia Rubenstein
- 4/18 June Gaston
Samuel Magida
- 4/19 Brayden Burns
Katie Kent
- 4/20 Jeff Berkowitz
Bonnie Greenberg
- 4/21 Rachel Rubel
- 4/22 Eli Price
Deborah Siegel
- 4/23 Harriet Blum
Neve Langsam
Matthew Wisnefsky
- 4/25 Joan Oshins
- 4/26 Linda Graev
- 4/27 Herbert Isaac
Michael Stoltz
Susan Wise
- 4/28 Mitchell Hawthorne
Benjamin Paley
Ethan Paley
William Slepoy
- 4/29 Ava Schwartz
- 4/30 Randy Eckwall



Anniversaries

- 4/04 Sandra Slater & Joseph Hochheiser
- 4/07 Sybil & Alan Blau
- 4/10 Susan & Murray Haber
- 4/20 Beth & Michael Rosen
- 4/21 Leona & Allen Schwartz
- 4/25 Ival & Ron Kovner
Marina Zatman & Larry Smotroff
- 4/27 Sary & Robert Ritchie



To find out more about sponsoring an Oneg contact:
Sandy Marcus at (203) 264-9136



“Tree of Life”

Purchase a leaf on the “Tree of Life” to honor a simcha. Each leaf is \$180

(203) 267-3394

The Louis D. Traurig Scholarship Trust provides *scholarships* to students from the Greater Waterbury Area to help defray the cost of college or graduate school education.

Applications must be **received no later than April 15th!** Visit our website today-

www.bnaiisraelsouthbury.org

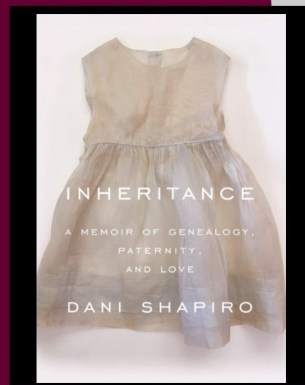




Book Group

Moderated by Rochelle Gershenow

Date: 4/24/2019



Time: 10:30 AM

What makes us who we are? What combination of memory, history, biology, experience, and that ineffable thing called the soul defines us? In the spring of 2016, through a genealogy website to which she had whimsically submitted her DNA for analysis, Dani Shapiro received the stunning news that her father was not her biological father. She woke up one morning and her entire history—the life she had lived—crumbled beneath her. Inheritance is a book about secrets—secrets within families, kept out of shame or self-protectiveness; secrets we keep from one another in the name of love. It is the story of a woman's urgent quest to unlock the story of her own identity, a story that has been scrupulously hidden from her for more than fifty years, years she had spent writing brilliantly, and compulsively, on themes of identity and family history. It is a book about the extraordinary moment we live in—a moment in which science and technology have outpaced not only medical ethics but also the capacities of the human heart to contend with the consequences of what we discover. Timely and unforgettable, Dani Shapiro's memoir is a gripping, gut-wrenching exploration of genealogy, paternity, and love.

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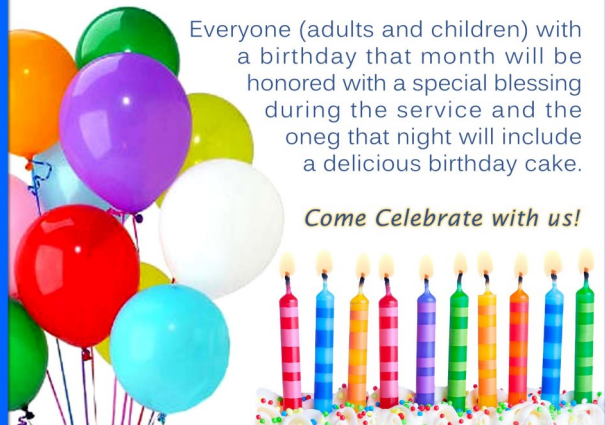
Birthday Celebration Shabbat!

Do you have a birthday in the month of April?

Come celebrate on the first Shabbat of the month.

Everyone (adults and children) with a birthday that month will be honored with a special blessing during the service and the oneg that night will include a delicious birthday cake.

Come Celebrate with us!



Join us for a night of song and celebration

MOMS... A CABARET!

Saturday, May 11th
7:00pm

Serving Appetizers, Desserts,
Music and Laughter!

Open to the public!
\$36pp for members/\$40 for non-members
Cash Bar

444 Main Street North, Southbury, CT
RSVP by May 1st

Contact us to learn about
sponsorship opportunities

office@bnaisraelsouthbury.org or 203.267.3394



Cinco de Mahjong

One day late.....

Monday, May 6 at 10:00 AM
444 Main Street North, Southbury
Mahjong Day of Fun!

Food, Laughter & Friendship!

Schedule

- 10:00 Registration & continental breakfast
- 10:30 Play Begins
- 12:30 Lunch & raffle
- We provide lunch and dessert!
- 1:30 More time to play

Event Includes

- Continental breakfast
- Chance to win prizes
- Refreshments
- Lunch and Desserts!

\$27 advance registration
required (lunch included!)

Call (203)267-3394



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Allen Schwartz (2020)
Pauline Zimmerman (2019)

Tribute Cards

To: Zeena Garber *In memory of her husband, Don
From: Sandy Slater & Joe Hochheiser

To: Charlotte & Marvin Shapiro *Good health & happiness in your new surroundings

To: Zeena Garber *Sincere condolences on the loss of your husband, Don

To: Flo & Perry Morell *Best of everything in your new home

To: Ellen & Rob Zwang *Mazel Tov on your new status!

From: Sandy & Dan Marcus

To: Jeff Berkowitz & Merri Klar *In memory of Jeff's mother, Toby Berkowitz

From: Rudy Zeidler



\$5 donation includes postage
Please contact Doris Landaeta at 203.232.6206 or dorikam1958@gmail.com

FREE KINDERGARTEN

It's time! B'nai Israel offers **free** kindergarten to all. For more information please contact:

Abby Peklo, School Director
(203)267-3396



Women's Seder

Thursday
April 11, 6 - 9 pm

Celebrate Passover with a traditional community Seder dinner with delicious food, Kosher wine tasting and create a special paint-your-own Seder plate.



Albert Family Tzedakah Fund

Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Community Function Hall
444 Main St. North, Southbury, CT
RSVP by April 4th to (203) 267-3177 ext 310



You Are Cordially Invited to B'nai Israel Southbury's Annual

Passover Seder

Friday, April 19th, 2019 at 6:00 PM

New Caterer:

Jewish Senior Services, Fairfield, CT



Menu

At your seat:

Traditional Seder Plate Items, Matzo, Wine
Mixed Green Salad
Matzo Ball Soup
Gefilte Fish

Selections on the Buffet Table:

Brisket
Honey Glazed Salmon
Roasted Potatoes
Green Beans with Craisins & Almonds
Passover Dessert Selection
Tea, Coffee, Juice, Soda

Seder Begins at 6:00 PM

(following short erev Shabbat service in sanctuary at 5:30)

\$ 48 adults \$10 children

For Questions call or email:
(203) 267-3394

office@bnaiisraelsouthbury.org

Reservation Deadline: April 10th

Please return bottom portion & check payable to:

"B'nai Israel Southbury"



Drop Off or Mail by 4/10 to:

B'nai Israel Southbury
PO Box 350 444 Main Street North
Southbury, CT 06488

Your check confirms your reservation for seder

Please Print Clearly

Name(s) 1 _____ 2 _____

3 _____ 4 _____

Phone: (Day) _____ (Even) _____ (Email) _____

Number Adults Attending _____ Number Children Attending _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

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