Shofar

Tevet/Shevat/Adar 5783



January/February 2023

From the Rabbi

Hate Has No Home Here lawn signs are available for members of our community. (One sits on our campus, another in front of the Polokoff Residence).

Go to: hatehasnohome.org

to purchase your sign.

B'nai Israel Committees/Projects and Opportunities

IAC: Israel Advocacy Committee – Israel education and advocacy. Contact: Hadar Lubin or Rabbi Eric

THE IAC

For nearly two decades B'nai Israel has been developing innovative programming for our membership and community through its Israel Advocacy Committee. With the goal of heightening links to the State of Israel and its citizenry, the IAC sponsors and co-sponsors events to educate on Zionism and Jewish life. The committee meets roughly once a month, and coordinates programs at Shabbat Services and at other times throughout the year. It enjoys a close working relationships with AIPAC, JNF, ADL and the Jewish Federation of Western CT.

Library: Assist in digitizing the index for our library, done on computer. Contact: Rabbi Eric



B'nai Israel's collection of books on Jewish subjects is assuredly amongst the most extensive in the area. Its listings are not yet available on-line, and thus are not fully accessible to our membership and community. For his Eagle Scout Project Eric Greenberg organized a method for creating a digital index. We are seeking additional volunteers to help scan and create barcodes for our books — only limited technical experience is needed.

Kulanu: Task Force on Antisemitism as part of ADL pilot program. Contact: Rabbi Eric

B'nai Israel is participating in a pilot program with the ADL called "Kulanu" or all of us. The goal is to educate about rising Antisemitism beyond the congregation and Jewish community. Plans for upcoming events are being formulated.

Donations

Donor Opportunities



Yahrzeit Plaque

Purchase a plaque to memorialize your loved ones With a memorial plaque Each plaque is \$380

> Please contact Sharon Goldman

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Visit our website for a full list of staff email addresses www.bnaiisraelsouthbury.org



Celebrate a simcha, remember a friend, or share a milestone by sending a tribute card. Cards are hand calligraphied and still only \$5 including postage!

Contact Doris Landaeta:

dorikam1958@gmail.com

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

in memory of Irving G. Abramson Joel Abramson **Rita Idelson** Eleanor Saperstein Leo Menaker **Cary Fishman** Susan Fishman & Coby Ben-Chitrit Lilian Garber Herbert Garber **Elaine Sampliner** Margie & Jonathan Hertz **Belle Bram** Natalie Bram Judith Feinman Fran Beilinson Ida Medina Maurice Passy Sandy Gold & Paul Medina Ada Abramson Joel Abramson

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

in honor of **Rabbi Polokoff's 25th anniversary at B'nai Israel** Patricia Gaston **Rabbi's officiating at funeral & Shiva for Bob** Carol Weil

<u>Rabbi's Discretionary Fund</u> June Gaston & Stephen Rubenstein

Caring Fund

in memory of Frances Rachells Barbara Rachells Lawrence Engelman Anna Gelfand Janet Meyers Hennick Margie Ross Bob Weil Ellen Myers & Ben Myers Harriet Marcus Sandy & Dan Marcus Marcus Schwartz Leona & Allen Schwartz

<u>Music Fund</u> in memory of Fanny Sperling Sandy & Dan Marcus

<u>General Fund</u> Jake Albert

General Fund

in memory of **Robert Weil** Amy & Michael Wortzman **Robert Weil** Deborah Rheinstrom **Bob Weil** Barbara & Harvey Temkin **Bob Weil** Susan Fenton **Rosalyn Schoonmaker** Susan A. Breiner **Bob** Weil Maxine Horn Hyman Zeidler Nancy Brown & Rudy Zeidler Marilyn Engelman Deyanira Engelman **Ida Epstein** Sharon Goldman Ben Oratz Stephanie & Paul Basta **Bob Weil** Arlene Brodsky **Bob Weil** Aaron Simon **Molly Zeidler** Nancy Brown & Rudy Zeidler Harold Lawson Nancy & Robert Green **Robert Weil** The Kossoffs & families

Music Fund

in honor of **Linda's music at funeral & Shiva for Bob** Carol Weil

Israel Advocacy Fund in memory of Bert Boyson Ruth N. Holt

Adult Education Fund in memory of Edna Purrinson

Rochelle Gershenow

<u>Tamid</u> Peggy & Gerry Klein

Annual Giving Jodi & A.J. Wasserstein Ruby Corby O'Neill & Art O'Neill Albert Brothers, Inc. Sharon Goldman Judy & Eugene Mirrer

Leadership

<u>Rabbi</u> Eric Polokoff, D.D. rabbi@bnaiisraelsouthbury.org

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Kathryn Albee (2024) Charlene Blatter (2023) Marci Durnell (2025) Melissa Fleischer (2024) Paul Medina (2025) Allison Berman Schwartz (2023) Jodi Wasserstein (2023) Alexis Zimmerman (2025)

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YAHRZEITS

<u>01/06</u>

Regina Augenbraun **Philip Bernstein** Belle Bram Samuel Brandvein Laurel Falk **Cary Fishman Ida Fleisher** Fav Friedman Lilian Garber **Hattie Greenberg** Harry C. Lichtenstein Harriet Marcus Gussie Matzkin Ida Medina Jacques Pollock Beatrice Slater **Fannie Spirt** Marcy Traurig Elliott V. Wright

<u>01/13</u>

Albert Augenbraun Yetta Loew Blank John 'Jack' Curran Louis Decker Ida Epstein Ida Freedman **Madelyn Griner Keiser** Morris Klein Jacob Korkin Harold Lawson **Patricia Liebeskind** Morris Novak Pauline K. Novak Ben Oshins Leo Schein Charlotte Scher Marcus Schwartz Elsa Sieael Jules Silfen Irving Steiglitz **Molly Rudolf Zeidler**



May their memories be for blessing

01/20

Anna Alexander Bert Boyson Jacob Brandvein **Charles Cohen** Ben Farer Celia Fetbroth Isaac Gaber Ilva Gelfand Sam Golub Edward Gorman Samuel R. Greenblatt Annette Hall William C. Shepard **Harry Simon** Fanny Sperling Joel Sukman Theresa Traurig Aranka Zelinger

<u>01/27</u>

Aida Abramson Celia Baum David Joseph Beninson **Bernard Blick** Dvora Rose Brodsky Clara Gaber Myron W. Green Selma D. Halperin Hyman Hochheiser Florence Silverman Horn Jacob (Uncle Jack) Horn Mary Jarmak Irvina Kantrowitz Jean S. Keiser Mary Pollock Naomi M. Rearson **Cecille Rhodes Dorothy Griner Strisik**

*each name in **bold** has a plaque in the B'nai Israel sanctuary

YAHRZEITS

<u>02/03</u>

Louis Cohen Stanley Cohen **Clara Drazner Fischbein** Donald Garber Louis Gershenow Helen Schrier Getnick **Irving Gross Otto Gutman** Mildred Herrmann **Bernard Lerner Gladyce Lerner Israel Menaker** Samuel Nydick Arnold Polokoff Fagi Sapphire Morris J. Sherman

<u>02/10</u>

Lena Borenzweig Gail Fingerhut Elias Freedman Charles Green Ginny Greenberg Eric J. Hall Samuel Kadish Tillie H. Lax Pauline S. Leopold Stuart Ludlow Samuel Rosenberg Herman Saperstein Carol Semack Hannah Wise



May their memories be for blessing

<u>02/17</u>

Molly Leah Blank Leila Farer Samuel F. Freedman Helen Gleiberman Gloria Golfin Hamilton Hertz Phyllis Klausner Madeline Korkin Ella Light Harry Molaver Rose Molaver Albert Nathanson Irving Pollock Cathryn A. Raphael Howard Wohlgemuth

<u>02/24</u>

Lillian Bisnov Jonathan B. Fleisher Gordon A. Genoe William Goldman Miriam Gorman Nellie B. Klein Martha P. Leonard Lewis W. Millen Hasha Mintz Herman Pace George L. Smith Alvin Tendler Henry A. Weisman

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Tribute Cards

Donor Opportunities



"Tree of Life"

Purchase a leaf on our "Tree of Life" to honor a simcha. Each leaf is \$180

Please contact Sharon Goldman sharon.goldman@hotmail.com

Interested in joining B'nai Israel's Sisterhood?

Contact Sisterhood President, Michelle Rosen bnaisisters@gmail.com



From: Nancy Brown & Rudy Zeidler

- To: Carol Weil *Deepest condolences of the loss of her beloved husband, Robert
- To: JoAnne Haberman *On the loss of her dear mother
- From: Celia Schwartz * for the Board of the Jewish Culture Club of Heritage Village
- To: Woodworking & Metal Shop of Heritage Village *In honor of their work

From: Debby Garber

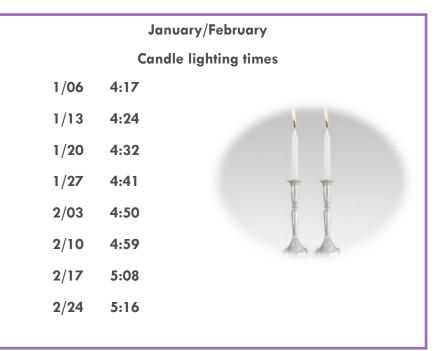
To: Barbara Matison * In memory of her beloved husband, Gary

From: Celia and Lionel Schwartz

To: Ron Altman and family * In memory of Elaine Altman, a very special woman.

To send a tribute card contact Doris Landaeta at **dorikam1958@gmail.com** \$5 per tribute card (includes postage)





JANUARY/FEBRUARY

B'nai Israel Religious School



If you are interested in enrolling your child in religious school please contact Education Director, Abby Peklo at 203.267.3396

- 1/01 Anita Pettengill & Dan Telesco
- 1/05 Jane & Keith Mahler
- 1/09 Becky & Sean Samberg
- 1/25 Peggy & Gerry Klein
- 1/27 Judy & Eugene Mirrer



2/13 Linda & Ronald Herrmann



- 1/01 Joseph Stammelman
- 1/02 Jehsinia Weiss
- 1/03 Deborah Garber
- 1/05 Rachel Basch
- 1/09 Sandra Gold
- 1/10 Don Durnell
- David Hill
- 1/12 Henry Price
- 1/13 Sheila Baum Mia McConnon
- 1/14 Heather Cieply
- 1/15 Brittany Weiss
- 1/19 Donald Liebeskind
- 1/20 Ellis Gerstenfeld
- 1/22 Carolyn Strauss
- 1/23 Lily Slepoy
- 1/24 Ariel Hogan Lisa Segal
- 1/25 Marcy Feinman
- 1/26 Leah Obenshain
- 1/30 Eric Greenberg Hanna Reps
- 1/31 Richard Getnick

- 2/01 Suzanne Meyers
- 2/02 Samuel Qualls
- Karen Senich 2/06 Kyle Berkowitz Scott Davidow
 - Ronald Scheinberg
- 2/07 Danielle Quigley
- 2/10 Alan Siegel
- 2/13 Natalie Bram Sandra Slater Nelson Zackin Pauline Zimmerman
- 2/14 Sidney Frenkel
- 2/16 Mikael Haeggstroem
- 2/17 Arthur Oshins
- 2/18 Judy Mirrer
- 2/20 Jason Voegeli
- 2/21 Jacob Max Engelman Carol Weil
- 2/22 Daniel Dar
- 2/26 Caren Menard
- 2/27 Drew Berkowitz
- 2/28 Patricia Magida



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WRJ & B'nai Israel Sisterhood Present THE LOST CHILD WATCH PARTY

WATCH PARTY -FEBRUARY 5 @ 1 PM

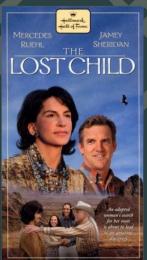
DISCUSSION TO FOLLOW ON:

FEBRUARY 22 @ 8PM VIA ZOOM - LINK TO BE SUPPLIED BY WRJ

DISCUSSION BASED UPON THEMES RAISED IN MOVIE

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RSVP PLEASE EMAIL BNAISISTERS@GMAIL.COM







RS Fundrais

- \$15 per baker's dozen (13)
- February 26th • Orders must be in full baker's dozens, but you can mix flavors of each baker's dozen

lamentaschen!

- Drive Up to Pick Up your boxed order at the front of B'nai Israel at the Walzer Family Jewish Community Campus, 444 Main Street North in Southbury, on Sunday, March 5th between 9:30 - noon
- Venmo @Lisa-Segal-12 with your name, phone number, # of baker's dozens and preferred flavors or send a check to the office (payable to BIRS) Ouestions? Contact Heather, 203-264-8805

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Flavors	How many each?	Name:
Almond		Phone Number: ()
Apple		
Apricot	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Email:
Blueberry		
Cherry		
Chocolate		Total Number of Dozens: X \$15 = \$
Poppy Seed		
Prune		Circle One: Cash Check Venmo
Raspberry		
Strawberry		

Submit your order today!