B’nai Israel Southbury to host a ‘Back to Brooklyn’ event with Klezmer Music, a Bissel Deli, Egg Creams & more; harkening all things from the one & only Borough! It’ll put shpalikes in your genechtagazoink for a good time!

Family Friendly Event, all ages welcome
Hey!… How you doin’?
Listen to who’s takin’ inn? @bnaisraelsouthbury.org

Tickets $36 per person
(includes Deli Sandwich & Dessert)
* Non Kosher Event

Vineco Tickets $10 per household

Paid RSVP required by 1/17
RSVP date is firm
Sorry, No Walk Ins
Please choose Pastrami, Turkey or Falafel with Hummus for your sandwich selection when you RSVP.
Call 203-267-3394 for info.

January 27th
5:00 - 6:00 Havdalah & Dinner
6:00 - 7:30 Klezmer Performance
7:30 Dessert & Coffee

We Warmly Thank our Generous Sponsors

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS
$500 BROOKLYN BRIDGE
$300 KLEZMER
$250 PASTRAMI
$200 EGG CREAM
$183 BLACK & WHITE COOKIE
$103 RUGGELAH

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Sponsorship continues to be welcomed from both locals & snowbirds alike!
Dear fellow congregant,

The B’nai Israel Board of Trustees is working to put together something special and musical for our community: Back to Brooklyn with B’nai. A Klezmer concert, preceded by a Havdalah Service and accompanied by nostalgic Brooklyn foods like Egg Creams and pastrami sandwiches, will be held on Saturday, January 27, 2024 at B’nai Israel beginning at 5pm.

We invite you and your families to join us as we come together as a community for a happy reason, for Jewish Joy (Simchah). Now, more than ever, we need to celebrate our enduring heritage and culture. It is for this reason, that I am asking you all to help us bring this night to life. As a small community, we rely on the generosity of our congregants to make such special events possible.

You might not be performing with the band, but here is your opportunity to be a headliner with us:

**Klezmer** Sponsors: $300

**Pastrami** Sponsors: $250

**Egg Cream** Sponsors: $200

**Black and White Cookie** Sponsors: $150

**Ruggelah** Sponsors: $100

Please note, that sponsorship is in addition to the ticket price; it will make everything not covered by tickets possible.

Please call or send donations to the B’nai Israel Office, attn: Concert Event Sponsorship. Sponsorships continue to be welcomed.

Warmest wishes,

Event Planning Committee
Patti Berkowitz, Marci Durnell, Eric Linnetz, Lisa Segal, & Alexis Zimmerman
Rabbi’s Discretionary Fund
Jay Ivler

Rabbi’s Discretionary Fund
in honor of
Rabbi officiating at Sandy’s funeral
Dan Marcus

Meaningful Shiva for Patricia Levine
Rochelle Gershenow
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Babs Rachells

Music Fund
in honor of
Linda’s singing at Sandy’s funeral service
Dan Marcus

Linda’s music at Shiva for Patricia Levine
Rochelle Gershenow

Rabbi’s Discretionary Fund
in honor of
Naming of my Great Granddaughter Ellie Crystal

General Fund
in memory of
Marilyn Grob
Heather & Burt Cieply
Frederick Brown
Hyman Zeidler
Nancy Brown & Rudy Zeidler
Morris Passy
Paul Medina
Ida Epstein
Harold Epstein
Sharon Goldman

Israel Advocacy Fund
in memory of
Morris Sperling
Dan Marcus & family

Building Fund
Leticia Lee & family

Your donations are greatly appreciated!

Contact Doris Landaeta:
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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!

Visit our website for a full list of staff email addresses
www.bnaisraelsouthbury.org
Tribute Cards

From: Nancy Brown and Rudy Zeidler
To: Mrs. Leon Zeidler * Condolences on the loss of her beloved father
To: Mrs. Raquel Kennedy * Congratulations on the birth of her granddaughter
To: Amanda Asrelski and Alex Estabrook * Mazel Tov on the birth of their beautiful daughter
To: Samuel Asrelski * Mazel Tov on the birth of his beautiful sister.

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

To All our Wonderful Members!
Thank you all for being a part of our very special congregational family.
We want to make sure all our members are aware of our newly revised caring committee, renamed Chesed v’Shalom.
Chesed meaning compassion and Shalom meaning peace and love.
We have started a “chicken soup for the soul” program. If you are in need of healing with homemade chicken soup, please know that it is available and we can get it delivered if and when needed.
If you need someone to talk too, please call Valerie.
If you need a ride to services, let us know.
If you need a meal or are having a health issue, we want to help!
Please let us know how we can help. Our community is growing stronger and we are here for you!
Also, if you are interested in joining our committee, we would love your help and support.
Thank you all, and Happy Holidays,
Sheri Kipperman, Sherrie Bitterman, Evan Cooper, and Patti Berkowitz

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Lisa Segal (2025)
Iurie Schwartz (2026)

Yahrzeits
May their memories be for blessing

01/05
Regina Augenbraun
Philip Bernstein
Yetta Loew Blank
Bert Boyson
Belle Bram
Samuel Brandwein
Elizabeth Weisman Davis
Joan Dolcort
Laurel Falk
Rebecca Feitelson
Ida Fleisher
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Harriet Marcus
Gussie Matzkin
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Edward Gorman
Selma D. Halperin
Mary Jarmak
Arnold Polokoff
William C. Shepard
Harry Simon
Fanny Sperling
Joel Sukman
Theresa Traurig

01/12
Albert Augenbraun
Ann Freeman Bacher
Charles Cohen
John ‘Jack’ Curran
Louis Decker
Ira Epstein
Ben Farer
Ida Freedman
Fay Friedman
Ilya Gelfand
Annette Hall
Hyman Hochheiser
Madelyn Griner Keiser
Morris Klein
Jacob Korkin
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Pauline K. Novak
Ben Oshins
Marcus Schwartz
Elza Siegel
Jules Silfen
Irving Steiglitz
Elliot V. Wright
Molly Rudolph Zeidler
Aranka Zelinger

Otto Gutman
Mildred Herrmann
Pauline S. Leopold
Herman Pace
Samuel Rosenbarg
Carol Semack
George L. Smith

02/16
Harry D. Barr
Samuel F. Freedman
Helen Gleiberman
Sol Goldberg
Gloria Gofin
Phyllis Klausner
Madeline Korkin
Ella Light
Tillie Merson
Harry Molaver
Rose Molaver
Albert Nathanson
Irving Pollock
Morris Sacks
Howard Wohlgemuth

02/23
Lillian Bisnov
Jonathan B. Fleisher
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Jacob K. Jennes
Nellie B. Klein
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Lewis W. Millen
Hasha Mintz
Cathryn A. Raphael
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01/19
Sylvia Albert
Anna Alexander
Jacob Brandwein
Harold Epstein
Celia Fetbroth
Isaac Gaber

02/09
Lena Borenweig
Rodolfo Ellenbogen
Elias Freedman
Miriam Gorman
Charles Green

*each name in bold has a plaque in the B’hai Israel sanctuary

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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

Thank you to these individuals for purchasing leaves on our newly re-designed “Tree of Life”!

Your name here!

Please consider purchasing a leaf for our new tree. Contact Sharon Goldman at sharon.goldman@hotmail.com for more information.

Chanukah menorah lighting 5784

Candle lighting times January/February

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For several months these ladies have been knitting hats for the IDF to wear under their helmets. So far 20 hats have been sent with another batch soon to go. Pictured are Suzanne Meyers, Linda Goodman, Rabbi Eric Polokoff, & Sandy Gold (not pictured Debby Garber & Penny Novello).
If you are interested in enrolling your child in religious school, please call Education Director Jacqui Schulefand at 203.267.3396 or e-mail educator@bnaisraelsouthbury.org

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"Please God, please heal them."

Mindful of how our Misheberach prayers are to be timely, as we begin the New Year 5783 we seek to check on the status of those for whom we pray publicly. Beginning December 1st, to maintain, add or remove a name from the list, the office must be notified on a monthly basis. Call the office at 203.267.3394 or email: office@bnaisraelsouthbury.org to maintain, add, or remove a name.
The BIRS students celebrated Hanukkah on Sunday, December 10, 2023.

We started our day with Tefilah (prayer service) which included many of our favorite Chanukah songs, and then went outside to light the Chanukiah and recite the appropriate blessings.

We had a delicious snack of latkes and sufganiot (thank you to the Linnetz family) and, of course, bagels. The students then broke up into three groups. We played dreidel, listened to stories, and decorated Morah Sheila’s tasty homemade Chanukah cookies.

The students showcased their impressive knowledge during a rousing game of trivia, and we ended the morning with more Chanukah songs. Everyone had a wonderful celebration!