

# THE Menorah

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## A Message From Our Rabbi

by Rabbi Debra Orenstein

### ACKNOWLEDGING THE GOOD

In Hebrew, the way to say gratitude or thankfulness is “hakarat hatov” or recognizing and acknowledging the good.

Before you can be grateful, you have to notice that there is good to be grateful for. Before you count your blessings, you have to be aware of your blessings. Simple, but not easy.

The good that God and other people do too often becomes transparent to us – or even expected. We are all deserving of good food, good health, good work, a good family, a good community, and lots of other “goods.” But these blessings are not automatic! They don’t come to everyone. They are not entitlements. They require some investment from us as co-creators and, rightly, a great deal of gratitude from us as beneficiaries of the good that is done for us.

Today, in a time of so much anger, upset, and entitlement, it is a radical act to insist on acknowledging the good.

My favorite “Jewish” holiday growing up was Thanksgiving. I knew that it was based on the biblical holiday of Sukkot and the Jewish value of gratitude. More than that, it was the only time (due to far-flung synagogues and traditional restrictions on holiday travel) that the rabbis in my family could get together for a holiday.

On **Sunday, November 18** from 7:00-8:00 pm, CBI



is hosting the Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. This is the first time in my eight years at CBI when our congregation will be the host community for the churches and synagogues that comprise the Pascack Valley Clergy Association. A good host sets the tone, makes people feel welcome, initiates conversations, and forms connections – just like my Aunt Frieda, of blessed memory, used to do when the whole family descended on her for the annual Thanksgiving feast. I have no doubt that our famously “warm and wonderful” CBI community will turn out and be gracious, friendly, hosts for our neighbors. I look forward to seeing you at this event, and to watching CBI members greet everyone like you own the place – because you do. This is your spiritual home.

Another way to think about hosting is this: we are welcoming gratitude itself. Come on in, awareness of blessings. Take a seat and rest awhile, acknowledgment of the good. You are always around, somehow, in the background, but we don’t take the time to sit with you; get to know you more deeply; appreciate you; offer you nourishment that will sustain and delight you; toast “I’chayim” together; have a few laughs.

Anticipating a physical guest in your home, you might clean up. For gratitude to reside with you, you might choose to do some extra cleaning and purification in your inner home. Remove any grudges, entitlements, or festering complaints that can make the atmosphere unwelcoming. For a physical guest, you might set out some flowers or extra toiletries or a bowl of fruit. Adorn your inner space with everything that gratitude will need to feel comfortable: deep breaths; calm; unhurried attention, especially to kindness, beauty, and excellence.

What inner preparation can you make that will make it easier for you to acknowledge the good and embrace gratitude as an honored presence in your life?

If upset or guilt arises because you realize you have been ungrateful, then be grateful for that awareness! Be grateful for the choice to acknowledge the good! Express thanks for discernment, reflection, and the power to change our attitudes. As Rabbi Zelig Pliskin wrote: “There is no time limit on gratitude. If you realize in the present that you did not express gratitude to someone for something ... from long ago, don’t think that it’s too late to express gratitude. Whenever you remember past kindnesses and favors done, express your thoughts and feelings of gratitude.”

Once you aim your sights on seeing the good, goodness naturally comes more and more into your vision – and, I believe, into your deeds, as well.

The word “Jew” translates to mean “grateful.” It comes from our foremother, Leah, who named her son Judah/Yehudah. She realized that she had been blind to the blessings that God was granting her because she was

# CANTOR'S CORNER

by Cantor Lenny Mandel

I'd like to talk about a few things this month.

You can be sure that I've got plenty to say about the 'circus' that purported to be a Judiciary Committee hearing about Brett Kavanaugh, but by the time you read this he will either be sitting on the United States Supreme Court, or he won't (B"H).

It was fabulous seeing so many old faces, gone for a bit, now back in shul these last days. C'mon now, y'all saw the grin that crossed my lips when our eyes met, when we shook hands or gave each other bear hugs. We missed you, so, to quote some of the lyrics from the song by Maurice Williams and The Zodiacs: "Stay, ah, just a little bit longer, Please, please, please, please, please, Tell me that you're going to..."

Colleagues have asked me what kind of turn out we get on the high holidays, and they were shocked when I tell them that we're only about 65% full for the evening of Yom Kippur. Truth be told, I am shocked as well.

Not only is it the eve of the holiest day of the year, the prayer Kol Nidre is commonly used as the name of the entire evening service of the night. The melody of The Kol Nidre reminds me, every year, that this moment is incredibly important and special.

*"All vows and oaths we take, all promises and obligations we made to God between this Yom Kippur and the last we hereby publicly retract in the event that we should forget them, and hereby declare our intention to be absolved of them."*

I am, no, we are all, at that moment, standing naked before The Almighty. Our souls are bared and it starts with that melody, that haunting melody.

Cantors chant Kol Nidre three times;



many get a little louder each time, some change the key they're using, but each of us chants Kol Nidre to make sure that we all are involved and in awe of where we are and what we're about to go through.

When I grew up, people flocked to shul to hear Kol Nidre. It was their doorway into reflection, into prayer and into repentance. It set the tone for the next 25 hours of their lives; it did and still does for me as well.

As I begin to chant Kol Nidre I beg my parents, my grandparents, and my uncle (Cantor Alfred Rosbash who had a massive heart attack while chanting Kol Nidre with 1500 people in his synagogue outside of Boston, Mass) to stay real close and watch over me, my family, and my flock.

I am in complete AWE of this prayer and of this moment. My head is covered by my Tallit as I chant the first of the three Kol Nidre prayers. It focuses me on the prayer itself, the intense melody coming from (hopefully) the depths of my being and on my voice; sometimes it actually keeps my tears in abeyance.

To quote lyrics from Frank Wildhorn's Jekyll and Hyde: "This is the moment--This is the day--This is the moment--When I know I'm on my way..."

So, here's where I'm going to catch some flack. Why aren't our seats full that evening? What else could you possibly be doing that prevents you from being there?

You get home too late from work? Leave work at noon that day; millions of Jews do just that, so can you.

I'm not looking to make you change the way you live, the way you practice Judaism, or the way you feel. I just want you and your families to experience the power of Kol Nidre.

I relive that moment every year, and I beg you to be there next year and every year to experience that the chanting of Kol Nidre IS THE MOMENT!!

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# The President's Pen

by Barry Bluestein, President

(The paragraph below expresses my personal opinion, and is not an official opinion representing CBI)



November has arrived, which means Election Day is upon us. With apologies in advance for those of you who may not share my political leaning, I'm invoking "Presidential" privilege to express it. We have never been as polarized a country as we are now, with opposite sides of the political spectrum so entrenched and intransigent in their respective ideologies. Our current administration has systematically, through legislation, judicial appointments, and Executive Order, either tampered with or put into future jeopardy everything from our environment, basic health care, immigration law, women's rights, and corporate oversight. Many Jews, including some of my closest friends, believe that we should support our President on the basis of his Pro-Israel posture alone, and disregard everything else. As a Jew, I cannot accept this position. I personally don't believe that we should, or would, want to embrace a status quo where the leader of the Free World sympathizes with Neo-Nazis over peaceful demonstrators, castigates the News Media for exposing a rigged election, shamelessly mocks the handicapped and victims of sexual assault, and whose conduct and narcissism have diminished the United States' status on a world stage. Evidence to this fact was his blustering lying and manipulation of facts at a recent speech at the United Nations General Assembly, which drew derisive laughter from world leaders. Granted, some of those mocking us are bad actors with malicious intentions, but the majority are, or were, considered our allies. With so much at stake, and at such a critical

a time in our history, voting is one of our only means to send Washington DC a clear message that the overwhelming principles that we believe as a Jewish people are not represented by this administration, or the political party in power. Please don't be complacent, **vote and we can** effectively change the dynamics of power in our government!

Okay, now that I've gotten that tirade off my chest, I want to wish all our CBI families a very Happy Thanksgiving Holiday. My previous venting notwithstanding, we have so much to be thankful for, and we should use this time of year to take an accounting of all the wonderful things in our lives.

A note of thanks to Dean Mansdorf and David Gordon for organizing the first annual Men's Club Steak, Scotch, and Cigar, event in our Temple Sukkah. A fabulous time was had by everyone who attended, as we ate great food, sipped premium Scotch, smoked some wonderful Cuban cigars, and were even regaled with Sukkot humor from none other than our Cantor "Lenny Bruce Mandel".

Thanks also to Carolyn Ginsberg, Robyn Abrams, and their volunteers, who arranged a fascinating and informative Sisterhood Speaker event with Dr. Sharyn Lewin, an expert on Hereditary Genetics and Women's Health. Look for more of these events in the future.

Mazel Tov to the Rosenthal family, as their daughter Jayden will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on **November 10th**. Please come out and support Jayden and the Rosenthal family at services both Friday night and Saturday morning. The following Friday evening, **November 16<sup>th</sup>**, don't miss the Beatles Shabbat service where all of our prayers will be sung to the tune of a Beatles song, and Beatles Historian and Radio personality Ken Dashow will join us.

And again, don't forget to vote and have a safe and joyous Holiday!

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focused only on what was missing in her life. With the birth of her fourth child, she finally said, "This time, I will acknowledge and give thanks (odeh/yehudah/todah) to God."

Like Leah, we sometimes wake up and cue ourselves that it is time to be grateful. A child is born; or it's your daughter's Bat Mitzvah, or your nephew's wedding, or a trip to Israel, or the Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. "This time," we say, "I will acknowledge and give thanks (odeh/yehudah/todah) to God."

But we don't need special occasions to foster gratitude. To be a host for gratitude means that gratitude can stay with you – and not just visit briefly over Thanksgiving. Each morning, as part of our daily prayers, Jews recite Birchot Hashachar, blessings of gratitude. Leah set a precedent. Our very name means "grateful."

After you read this last paragraph, I invite you to close your eyes and take 30 seconds to imagine opening wide the doors of your heart. Feel the sensation of opening and spaciousness in your chest, and invite gratitude in. See what comes up. I predict that your inner world will feel more peaceful, hopeful, and blessed; in a phrase, "warm and wonderful." If you graciously invite gratitude to dwell in you, the Airbnb reviews from both host and guest are sure to be raves.

## CALLING ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS!

Home for the Holiday? Come to CBI and give thanks for Shabbat, the fall harvest, and all your blessings. Reconnect with your friends at CBI, including others who have been at college.

Join us at Erev Shabbat services on Friday, **November 23, 7:00 pm** Thanksgiving Weekend

# SISTERS IN THE HOOD

by Carolyn Ginsburg and Robyn Abrams, Sisterhood Co-Chairs

On Sunday, October 7 we had the privilege of hearing hereditary geneticist, Dr. Sharyn Lewin, Holy Name Hospital's Director of Gynecologic Oncology, speak to the Sisterhood at CBI.

Her talk focused on the causes, incidents, and presentations, of gynecological and breast cancer in women of different ages. She stressed the importance of regular OBGYN visits, including breast exams on a yearly basis. She also stressed that all Jews of Ashkenazi descent should receive genetic testing.



Dr. Lewin's talk was very informative. She made it a point to address each participant's individual concerns in a thorough, sensitive, and insightful way.

It was a pleasure to be informed, in such an engaging manner, of this important and consequential health topic.

We would also like to thank Renee and Warren Kuperinsky for providing the delicious refreshments for the event.

For those wishing to contact Dr. Lewin, she may be reached at: Sharyn Lewin, MD; Director of Gynecological Oncology, Holy Name Hospital, 718 Teaneck Rd., Teaneck, NJ 07666, 201 227-6200.

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# GREETINGS FROM THE CBI MEN'S CLUB

by David Gordon & Dean Mansdorf, Men's Club Co-Chairs



On Wednesday, September 26th, the Men's Club held their first annual Steak & Scotch in the Sukkah event at CBI! With over 20 congregants attending, the evening was a great success with lots of good food and drinks enjoyed by all. The only unfortunate aspect due to so much scotch being consumed is that no one thought to take a picture! We look forward to making this an annual Men's Club tradition for years to come, so watch for the pictures in next year's fall Menorah!

Our next event is the ever popular Men's Club Trip to Famous Sammy's Roumanian Steak House on **Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**! Please RSVP to **mensclub.chair@bisrael.com** by November 9th

# SERVICES (AND LUNCH!) FOR EVERY AGE AND STAGE

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3**

*Pray, Play, Learn, Laugh.  
Nosh, Nourish.*

**Learning Service for all adults and b'nai mitzvah families** begins at **10:00 AM**. **Family Service** (for families with children ages 2-7) and **8-11 Service** (for kids of that age) begin at **10:30 AM**. At **11:40 AM**, everyone joins together for final prayers and enjoys pizza, salads, ice cream, fellowship, fall birthday celebrations, and games.

**RSVP for lunch** and let us know about fall birthdays of those attending by contacting [ritual.chair@bisrael.com](mailto:ritual.chair@bisrael.com)

## FACILITIES NEWS

*Facility Co-Chairs: Renee & Warren Kuperinsky*

### CALLING ALL KITCHEN MAVENS!

Please let us know if you'd be willing to lend a hand on a Sunday morning (or mornings!). Come and explore the inner sanctums of Bernice's kitchen with her son Warren, or any of our other dedicated workers.

We need a few volunteers to join our Facilities Committee, learn what's needed, and pinch hit for us one or two Sundays a month. Any extra hands to help with the weekly set up and clean up after our Bagel Breakfast would be appreciated. You may even get to take an extra bagel or two home with you!

Additionally, we're looking for someone who might be able to pick up a fruit tray from the Shop Rite in Paramus on the occasional Friday, and deliver it to the CBI kitchen for certain Friday night Onegs. We'd also appreciate anyone who'd be willing to help out shopping periodically for our kitchen supplies, such as beverages or paper goods.

Just contact Warren or Renee Kuperinsky at [facilities@bisrael.com](mailto:facilities@bisrael.com) to find out any additional info, and to contribute to such an essential part of our CBI life - eating!

## FREE THE SLAVES

**Free the Slaves** is holding a special dinner - Breaking the Chain Through Education - on **Thursday, November 15** that Rabbi Orenstein will be attending. Lisa Robbins, who together with her husband, Evan, and two daughters, has spoken on the CBI bimah about rescuing child slaves off fishing boats in Ghana, and will be in attendance. Additionally, she has arranged to have two inspirational speakers fly in from Ghana. One is a child that was rescued and educated. The other is a dedicated social worker who has been doing an incredible job and making a real difference.

More information about this dinner can be accessed by using the link, <http://bit.ly/2NNDJm8>, or by contacting the Rabbi at [rabbi@bisrael.com](mailto:rabbi@bisrael.com):

## KOL NIDRE APPEAL

If you were in the pews during the High Holidays, you heard the Kol Nidre Appeal as delivered by Les Kaufman & Meryl Rosenthal. This was reiterated in the Rabbi's sermon, when she referenced the importance of 'before beginning again, complete last year'.

As we begin the new year, we depend on the generous contributions of our membership to sustain CBI so we can continue to pay the bills, and provide the services, events, and programs we all enjoy.

CBI is all about community, and we appreciate your being part of it. If you have already sent in a pledge card or check, we thank you. If you have not yet done so, there is still time. A donation of any amount contributes to the better good of our congregation.

We hope to count you in, and you can contact us at [meryl.kutzin@bisrael.com](mailto:meryl.kutzin@bisrael.com) or [meryl.rosenthal@bisrael.com](mailto:meryl.rosenthal@bisrael.com)!

*Meryl Kutzin and Meryl Rosenthal  
Kol Nidre Appeal Committee*

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10:00am - 11:30am | 12:30pm - 2:00pm

For more information,  
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# **CALLING ALL CBI MEMBERS... HELP WANTED... WE WANT YOU!...WE NEED YOU!**

My husband Seymour and I attended Significant Seniors meetings regularly over the past few years. The Co-Chairs at the time, Judy Newell & Don Segal, had done a terrific job. Eventually, however, summer came, and there were no new volunteers to take over the reins.

Shortly after, Seymour and I spoke with Rabbi Debra, Cantor Lenny, and President Barry Bluestein. We told them that we all wanted to still feel "significant", but we observed a number of our group of seniors had already lost many of their friends, or their friends moved far away from them. They had little or no family left nearby, and their children (if any) lived at a distance. We realized how lucky we were.

It's a good "calling card" to have a continuation of Life in our advertising; from the very young to the Significant Seniors.

No one has a crystal ball. Can you project ahead many years from now, when you are a senior and are possibly in a similar situation? Would you want to be among the people who have fallen through the "cracks"? It would be great if each CBI member could find it in their heart to make a private commitment to make just 2 phone calls per year to Significant Seniors (not the same person each time). Just call, introduce yourself, and be a good listener. The mitzvah you perform will make you feel great, and will be greatly appreciated. You will be throwing a life-line within our CBI family. Remember...some of these people were very actively involved with our Synagogue when they were your age, so please step up and help them feel that they are still a vibrant participant in the Parade of Life!

*Harriette Turk  
(201) 294-0327*

It's time for our first Significant Seniors meeting of the season, which will be held on **Tuesday, November 13, 2018 @ 1:00 PM** at CBI.

This will be an opportunity for our CBI seniors (you know who you are!!) to participate in a discussion of expectations, and suggestions for programs, for the upcoming year. I will serve as the facilitator and enabler, and please respond to me at 201-294-0327 if you can attend. Hope to see you there!

## **SAVE THE DATE MAY 25, 2019**

The entire congregation will receive formal invitations for the Bat Mitzvah of our daughter, H.M. Weisz. The timing is Shabbat Behar, Memorial Day Weekend, 2019. We understand that some people go away for the national holiday, but if you are in town, we hope that you will join us for this simcha! We look forward to seeing you long before that day, and hopefully then, too.

*—Rabbi Debra Orenstein  
and Craig Weisz*

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The Glueck Family	SUN	12/9/2018	To save the lox!
Donna & Les Kaufman	SUN	12/16/2018	'Bruce's Breakfast' in memory of Bruce Sonkin
Donna & Les Kaufman	SUN	12/23/2018	'Bruce's Breakfast' in memory of Bruce Sonkin
Donna & Les Kaufman	SUN	12/30/2018	'Bruce's Breakfast' in memory of Bruce Sonkin

## **LETTERS**

**Dear CBI,**

*Your kind expression of sympathy is gratefully acknowledged and deeply appreciated.*

*Sincerely,  
The family of Barry Newman*

**Dear CBI,**

*Thank you one and all for all your good wishes and prayers. At this time all reports are excellent. I feel great and, since there were too many storms to enter some of the ports, I got a lot of rest while away.*

*Happy Hanukkah to all.*

*Sincerely,  
Marie*

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- Suffered the loss of a loved one or family member?

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- **Bernice's Kitchen Fund** (created in memory of Bernice Kuperinsky and supports the needs of CBI's kitchen)
- **Cantor Sid Derner Building Fund** (helps pay for CBI's building needs)

Judy Schoenfeld will prepare and mail the chosen card directly to the recipient for you, and your contribution will be noted in the *Menorah* newsletter.

Cost: **\$10.00** (minimum)

Contact: **Judy Schoenfeld** at [fundcards@bisrael.com](mailto:fundcards@bisrael.com)



## Yahrzeit Plaques & Donations

Our Yahrzeit plaques are located on both side walls of the Sanctuary. When you honor the loss of someone special to you through the dedication of a Yahrzeit plaque, you ensure that their Yahrzeit date will always be memorialized. You will receive a reminder by mail of any upcoming remembrances so you can attend the appropriate service and recite Kaddish. The name will be announced from the Bimah to be included in that week's Kaddish, the plaque will be lit throughout the month of their passing according to the Jewish calendar, and the name and date will be included in the *Menorah's* listing of upcoming Yahrzeits. You will also have an opportunity to make a donation to CBI, as it is a Jewish tradition to honor memories of our loved ones by giving tzedakah.

Cost: **\$240**. Contact: **Lynn Reiff** at [memorial.coordinator@bisrael.com](mailto:memorial.coordinator@bisrael.com)

## Some "SEASONAL" and "PERIODIC" SUPPORT

- Join in our annual New Year's Greetings Booklet
- Donate to CBI's Kol Nidre appeal
- Participate in the Purim Mishloach Manot basket delivered to CBI members, friends, college students
- Attend the Purim Carnival.
- Attend and contribute to CBI's big fund-raiser run by Ways & Means. (Comedy Night, Casino Night, etc.)

Remember, CBI accepts credit cards for payments of dues, many programs, and donations via the temple website: [www.bisrael.com](http://www.bisrael.com).

You can continue to receive your airline miles and cash-back!  
(A 2.35% service charge is added to all credit card orders.)

## To Lox or Not To Lox? That is the annual question....



No Lox! No smiling faces at Sunday Minyan!

Please put the smiles back on the faces of our Sunday "Minyaners"! **SPONSOR** a breakfast, (or Oneg or Kiddush). You don't have to shop, slice, dice, set up, or clean up (although we would love your help). It's as easy as picking a day (or 2, or 3!) send a check, or be billed.

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**\*\*As of this issue for the months of November 2018 through June 2019 only 5 families are sponsoring - that leaves a lot of no lox Sundays! \*\***

Among things we discuss at our monthly board meetings, and each May at the board's budget meeting, is to decide if we can continue to serve lox at bagel breakfasts on Sundays. Sounds trivial, doesn't it? But if you consider the cost to serve lox each week for 20 or 30 people, it adds up. And when our budget is lopsided – so starts the lox discussion. No Sponsor,

## GOT QUESTIONS? Saturday, November 3 Shabbat For Every Age And Stage

**10:30am** *How did the camel influence our Jewish History?* Join us for the **Young Family Service** geared toward families with children ages 7 and under, including **Prozdor**, as we reenact a beloved Torah story of kindness with camels, puppets, songs and movement. **PJ Library** will be co-sponsoring this month's Family Service. Our CBI host family will be Jacob and Elana Koesterich and their daughters, Hazel and Talia.



**10:30am** The **8-11 Service** is for **Alef, Bet, and Gimmel Students** (grades 3-5). Come take part in songs, prayers, and "Parsha Play" humor and discussion. Join the main service for final prayers at 11:30 and stay afterwards for lunch.

**10:00am** The **Learning Service** is for **all adults** and B'nai Mitzvah (**Dalet, Hey**) families. Take part in the discussion and q & a about the Shabbat morning service. We will also do some bibliodrama about the weekly Torah portion, entering into the lives and characters of Abraham, Isaac, Eliezer, and Rebecca.



Kiddush, pizza, salads, ice cream and cookies to follow at 11:45am. Be sure to let us know of any allergies. Dairy-free meals are available. We are a nut-aware environment. We will be celebrating **FALL**



**BIRTHDAYS** at lunch. Please let us know if you have a fall birthday and can attend, so we can prepare a small gift for each birthday boy or girl. Guests are welcome!

**RSVP to Marie** at: [office@bisrael.com](mailto:office@bisrael.com). Lunch is complimentary

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## BAT/BAR MITZVAH MESSAGE

### JAYDEN ROSENTHAL

Shalom,

My name is Jayden Rosenthal. My family and I have been CBI members since 2010. In school, I enjoy math and language arts, while in Hebrew School, I enjoyed learning about history of the Jewish people. While I am not in school, I play lacrosse and spend time with my friends.

My Bat Mitzvah will take place on **November 10, 2018** and my Torah portion is Tol'dot, from the book of Genesis. My Torah portion describes the rivalry between Jacob and Esau, Rebekah and Isaac's two sons. The portion describes how Esau is always out hunting and gathering food for the family while Jacob is more reserved and not as active. The two brothers get caught in a fight for favoritism or dominance, seeking approval from their father.

This Torah portion is meaningful to me because I feel that I can relate to this, with my own relationship with my sister, Maddie. My older sister is more of an extrovert while I am slightly more introverted. Although we have our differences, our similarities connect us and make us very close.

For my mitzvah project, I collected school supplies from my friends, family, and even the CBI attic, and donated them to different schools in the area. After this, I continued to look for more places where I could donate, and which is how I came across Supplies for Success. Supplies for Success is an event hosted by the Jewish Federation that collects money and puts it towards giving backpacks to children in need. Through this event, I discovered Oasis in Paterson which "changes the lives of women and children by breaking the cycle of poverty through compassionate programs." I chose these organizations because I wanted to target multiple groups of people, especially women AND children while preparing kids for the upcoming school year. Finally, I donated my time to Supplies for Success where my friends, sister, and I helped package backpacks filled with supplies to 15 different organizations.

I am still collecting donations from friends, family, and congregant members for other schools and organizations I have reached out to. To do so, you can drop them off with Marie at CBI. I thank CBI so much for helping me along my journey and I hope to see you at my services on **November 4th** for my Sunday service, my Friday night service on **November 9th**, and Bat Mitzvah on **November 10th!**

### Mazel Tov

Ellen & Dave Michelson on the marriage of their son  
Danny, to Amy Kattan

Susan & Marty Pelavin on the marriage of their daughter  
Jill, to Baruch Gurwitz

Cathy & Bob Brintz on the marriage of their son Gary, to  
Lauren Howard

Gary & Idelle Schwinder on the arrival of their  
granddaughter, Eleanor June Schwinder, daughter of  
Eric & Amanda Schwinder

Please join our family and friends at  
the Oneg Shabbat following services  
on Friday, the 9th of November in  
honor of our daughter

# Jayden

Jayden will be called to  
the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah  
on Saturday, the 10th of  
November at nine-thirty in  
the morning



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## Refuah Sheleyma Prayers for Healing

Steven Cosloy  
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## THANK YOU TO:

**Nancy Cohen** - for the beautiful High Holiday  
'6 words' signs

**Joan & Bennet Goldstein & Family** - for the delicious  
Simchat Torah candy that made the holiday even sweeter  
for our Hebrew School students

## HAMAKOM YENACHEM Comfort for Your Loss

*Gloria Reinish, on the passing of her husband, Martin Reinish, both of  
whom were founding members of CBI*

*Nancy Passow and family, on the passing of her father, Martin Reinish*

# NOVEMBER 2018

Candle Lighting Times: **2:** 5:32 **9:** 4:24 **16:** 4:18 **23:** 4:13  
**30:** 4:10

Cheshvan-Kislev 5779

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<b>1</b> 8pm Erev Shabbat Service Torah Town Hall	<b>2</b> 10am Learning Service required for Dalet & Hey Classes 10:30am 8-11 Service 10:30am Young Family Service
9am Hebrew School 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am Bagel Breakfast sponsored by the Rosenthal Family 10:30am Sisterhood Mahjong 101	7:30pm Board Meeting	4pm Hebrew School			8pm Erev Shabbat Service 9pm Oneg sponsored by the Rosenthal Family	9:30am Jayden Rosenthal Bat Mitzvah
9am Hebrew School 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am Bagel Breakfast 'Bruce's Breakfast' & Save the Lox! co-sponsored by the Kaufman and Gleuck families in memory of Bruce Sonkin		1pm Significant Seniors 4pm Hebrew School	Men's Club Sammy's Roumanian Steak House	6pm Free the Slaves Dinner	7:30pm Beatles Casual Erev Shabbat service	10am Dalet Class Shabbat morning service
9am Hebrew School 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am 'Bruce's Bkfst' sponsored by the Kaufman family in memory of Bruce Sonkin 10am JFNUJ Mitzvah Day 7pm Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at CBI		4pm Hebrew School			7pm College Reunion Erev Shabbat	No Shabbat morning service Shabbat at Home
No Hebrew School 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am 'Bruce's Breakfast' sponsored by the Kaufman family in memory of Bruce Sonkin		4pm Hebrew School			8pm Erev Shabbat Service	

# DECEMBER 2018

Candle Lighting Times: **7:** 4:09 **14:** 4:24 **21:** 4:18 **28:** 4:13

Kislev-Tevet 5779

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						10am Learning Service required for Dalet & Hey Classes 10:30am 8-11 Service 10:30am Young Family Service
9am Hebrew School 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am 'Bruce's Breakfast' sponsored by the Kaufman family in memory of Bruce Sonkin 10am Chanukah Program Chanukah I Candles	Chanukah II Candles	4pm Hebrew School 5pm Hebrew School Give/Get Program Chanukah III Candles	7:30pm Board Meeting Chanukah IV Candles	Chanukah V Candles	6:30pm Chanukah Dinner 7:30pm Bet Class Erev Shabbat Service Chanukah VI Candles	10am Shabbat morning service Chanukah VII Candles
9am Hebrew School 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am 'Bruce's Breakfast' sponsored by the Kaufman family in memory of Bruce Sonkin Chanukah VIII Candles	Chanukah VIII Day	4pm Hebrew School			8pm Erev Shabbat Service	10am Gimel Class Shabbat morning service
9am Hebrew School 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am 'Bruce's Breakfast' sponsored by the Kaufman family in memory of Bruce Sonkin		4pm Hebrew School			8pm Erev Shabbat Service	No Shabbat morning service Shabbat at Home
No Hebrew School 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am 'Bruce's Bkfst' sponsored by the Kaufman family		No Hebrew School			8pm Erev Shabbat Service	No Shabbat morning service Shabbat at Home
No Hebrew School 9am Minyan & Bagels 9:30am 'Bruce's Bkfst' sponsored by the Kaufman family						

# FUNDS

TO: Members and Staff of Congregation B'nai Israel,  
Wishing you all a Happy, Healthy, New Year and thanking you for the service I attended September 18, Erev Yom Kippur. In addition, I thank you for the support and caring many of your members showed my beloved brother, Bruce Sonkin, during his illness and death last spring. Your concern was deeply appreciated by all his family and I will never forget it. This donation is made in his honor.  
FROM: Ann Dawson

TO: CBI  
Please find this contribution for the Temple in memory of my dad, Bruce Sonkin. Happy New Year!  
FROM: Jessica and Adam Handelman

## GOOD AND WELFARE

TO: Idelle and Gary Schwinder  
Congratulations on the birth of Eleanor June. I hope she brings much happiness to you and your family.  
FROM: Ellen Sonkin

TO: Idelle and Gary Schwinder  
Mazel Tov on the Eleanor's arrival, and welcome to the grandparents' club!  
FROM: Ellen and Dave Michelson

TO: Gloria Reinish  
Our sincerest condolences on the loss of your husband, Martin. We are indebted to both of you for your contribution to the establishment of CBI. May his memory be for a Blessing.  
FROM: Ellen and Dave Michelson

TO: Nancy Passow and family  
We were so sorry to hear of the passing of your beloved dad, Martin Reinish. We hope you will be comforted by all the years of happy memories you have of him and your family.  
FROM: Ellen and Dave Michelson

TO: Idelle and Gary Schwinder  
Mazel Tov on the birth of Eleanor June. Wishing you and your family every happiness as you watch her grow.  
FROM: Judy and Bernard Schoenfeld

## EDUCATION

TO: Idelle and Gary Schwinder  
MESSAGE: Congratulations on becoming grandparents to Eleanor June! Wishing you and your family lots of joy.  
FROM: Marie Shust

## ETERNAL LIGHT FUND

TO: Richard Birnbaum and family  
We are so sorry for your loss. May fond memories comfort you in this sad time.  
FROM: Les and Donna Kaufman

TO: Richard Birnbaum and Family  
Our condolences on the passing of your beloved father. May fond memories bring you comfort.  
FROM: Carolyn and George Ginsberg

TO: Richard Birnbaum and Family  
Our sincere condolences on the passing of Seymour Birnbaum, beloved father and grandfather.  
FROM: Ellen Breger and David Meinhard

TO: The Birnbaum Family  
My heartfelt condolences on the loss of your dad, Seymour Birnbaum. May his memory be for a blessing.  
FROM: Jill Blum

TO: Ellen Sonkin  
We hope that memories of the years that you had with Bruce are a comfort. Our thoughts remain with you and your family.  
FROM: Jeanne Ann and JICC Staff Members

TO: Judy Cohen  
Our sincerest condolences on the passing of your dad, Joseph "Mickey" Slootsky. May his memory be for a blessing.  
FROM: Ellen and Dave Michelson

TO: Gloria Reinish  
Our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your beloved husband Martin. May his memory be for a Blessing.  
FROM: Lisa Pollack and Mark Milchman

TO: Nancy Passow and Family  
Our sincere condolences to you and your family on the passing of your beloved dad and grandfather. May your memories bring you comfort.  
FROM: Lisa Pollack and Mark Milchman

TO: Gloria Reinish, Nancy Passow and Family  
My sincere condolences on the loss of Martin, beloved husband, father and grandfather.  
FROM: Marie Shust

TO: Nancy Passow and family  
Our sincere condolences on the passing of Martin, beloved father and grandfather. May his memory be for a blessing.  
FROM: Fern and Don Segal

TO: The Passow Family  
May you cherish all the fond memories you hold dear.  
FROM: Andea and Jay Collier

TO: Nancy Passow and Family  
Our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your dear father and loving grandfather to your children. May his memory be for a

blessing and may all your sweet memories be a comfort to you all.  
FROM: Judy and Bernard Schoenfeld

TO: Gloria Reinish  
Our sincere condolences on the passing of your beloved husband, Martin. May his memory be for a blessing and may you be comforted by cherished memories.  
FROM: Judy and Bernard Schoenfeld

TO: Nancy Passow and Family  
Sending our sincere sympathy to you and your whole family on the loss of your father.  
FROM: Judy and Howard Newell

TO: Nancy Passow and Family  
My condolences on the passing of your beloved father. May his memory be for a blessing.  
FROM: Jayne Rubinfeld Waldron

TO: Nancy and Mike Passow and family  
We send our condolences to you and your family on the passing of Martin, loving husband, dad and grandfather.  
FROM: Debbie and Jeremy Shapiro

TO: Nancy Passow  
Our heartfelt condolences on the passing of your beloved dad.  
FROM: Donna and Les Kaufman

## Yahrzeits

Belinda Hecht to honor the memory of Anna R. Howard  
Belinda Hecht to honor the memory of Benjamin D. Fassler  
Belinda Hecht to honor the memory of Blanche Fassler Taub  
Belinda Hecht to honor the memory of Devorah Grosflan  
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Tobi Breslaw to honor the memory of Marcus William Weiden  
Marcel Plaut to honor the memory of Meta Plaut  
Joan Eban to honor the memory of Ron Glazer and Seymour Roth  
Joan Eban to honor the memory of David Tauber  
Hanna Wechsler to honor the memory of Harry Wechsler  
Bernard Silverberg to honor the memory of Henry Silverberg  
Ruth Hirschel to honor the memory of Hilda Katz  
Pam and Bob Zisner to honor the memory of Wallace Geller

# NOVEMBER YAHRZEITS

Abraham Krugman	23 Cheshvan	11/01/18
Esther Garfinkel	24 Cheshvan	11/02/18
Wallace Scharf	24 Cheshvan	11/02/18
Walter Plaut	24 Cheshvan	11/02/18
Nancy Jean Bakerman	25 Cheshvan	11/03/18
Joseph Kuklin	25 Cheshvan	11/03/18
Sarah Rosenberg	25 Cheshvan	11/03/18
Doris Schwartz	25 Cheshvan	11/03/18
Sidney Stein	25 Cheshvan	11/03/18
Doris Pivar	26 Cheshvan	11/04/18
Levy I Wechsler	26 Cheshvan	11/04/18
Rose Rosner	27 Cheshvan	11/05/18
S. Stanley Moser	27 Cheshvan	11/05/18
Gussie Schwalbe	27 Cheshvan	11/05/18
Lois Hager	28 Cheshvan	11/06/18
Sara M Kaplan	28 Cheshvan	11/06/18
Larry I Wolfson	28 Cheshvan	11/06/18
Albert Brunell	29 Cheshvan	11/07/18
Burt Marans	29 Cheshvan	11/07/18
Robert Wolfsie	30 Cheshvan	11/08/18
George Garfinkel	1 Kislev	11/09/18
Michael A Ludmer	1 Kislev	11/09/18
Jack Riegelhaupt	1 Kislev	11/09/18
Lillie Wellins	1 Kislev	11/09/18
Richard J Fakoury	2 Kislev	11/10/18
Moses Kaufman	2 Kislev	11/10/18
Celia Echtman	3 Kislev	11/11/18
Samuel R Krakow	3 Kislev	11/11/18
Harry Shustak	3 Kislev	11/11/18
Nathan Vogel	3 Kislev	11/11/18
Bernice Grapin	4 Kislev	11/12/18
Bess Feingold	4 Kislev	11/12/18
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Abraham Goldstein	6 Kislev	11/14/18
Lawrence J. Liebowitz	6 Kislev	11/14/18
Irving Fond	7 Kislev	11/15/18
William Harris	7 Kislev	11/15/18
Louis Parker	7 Kislev	11/15/18
Lena Stein	7 Kislev	11/15/18
Herman Kirschner	8 Kislev	11/16/18
Morris Leff	9 Kislev	11/17/18
Moe Segal	9 Kislev	11/17/18
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Edward Herman	11 Kislev	11/19/18
Irving Krieger	11 Kislev	11/19/18
Sidney Pivar	11 Kislev	11/19/18
Blanche Silverberg	12 Kislev	11/20/18
Miron Kuts	13 Kislev	11/21/18
Bessie Sloodsky	14 Kislev	11/22/18
Yetta Weinstein	15 Kislev	11/23/18
Gertrude Terr	16 Kislev	11/24/18
Lila Schwartz	17 Kislev	11/25/18
David Storm	17 Kislev	11/25/18
Eleanor Thaler	17 Kislev	11/25/18
Irwin Echtman	18 Kislev	11/26/18
Emma Wolfsie	18 Kislev	11/26/18
Anita Lois Lipshultz	19 Kislev	11/27/18
Ruth Beldner	19 Kislev	11/27/18
Ruth Rosch	20 Kislev	11/28/18
Murry Schwinder	21 Kislev	11/29/18
Rose Stahl	22 Kislev	11/30/18

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