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Celebrate Israel with Hazzan and Friends 10th Anniversary Concert

Sunday, March 2, 6:30 pm

Featuring incredible voices of Hazzanim
from across the country and our Kinder Cantors.
Join our community as we will come together
to sing the iconic Yerushalayim Shel Zahav.

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Sunday, March 16,

WICKED PURIM SPIEL PERFORMANCE

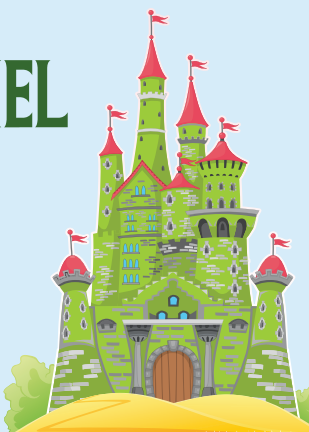
9:00 am

Followed by the

PURIM CARNIVAL

10:30 am

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**Volunteers
Needed**

**Please join us for a Community
Second Seder at HERJC**

**Enjoy food, music
and celebration!**

**Sunday,
April 13th
6:00 pm**

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Notes from the Hazzan



HAZZAN BONNIE ZAKARIN

March 2nd at 6:30 pm followed by a Dessert Reception with our Guests

I would like to invite you to join us for an extraordinary evening as we celebrate my 10th Anniversary at HERJC! We will be sharing HERJC's *bima* with friends from the Cantors Assembly for a special Celebrate Israel themed concert! This spectacular event will feature the incredible voices of Hazzanim from across the country, uniting in song to honor our connection to Israel.

An Opportunity to Participate

Would you like to sing in the concert? We welcome singers of all ages! If you're interested in lending your voice to this meaningful celebration and being in our ensemble, please reach out to Hazzan@herjc.org.

Our Kinder Cantors will also take the stage, performing alongside Hazzan Zakarin's esteemed colleagues and showcasing the next generation of musical talent.

Volunteer Opportunities

This special event depends on the dedication of our community members. Volunteers are needed in the following areas: Greeters, Ticket Sales, Program Editors, Guides for Guest Hazzanim, and Dessert Reception Decorations.

Your support will help make this concert an unforgettable experience. To volunteer, please email Hazzan@herjc.org

Tickets and Sponsorships

Be on the lookout for an email with details about ticket sales and sponsorship opportunities. Your support is essential in bringing this celebration to life.

Don't Miss Out!

Mark your calendar and spread the word! This is an evening of music and unity you won't want to miss. We look forward to celebrating with you on March 2nd at 6:30 pm!

Sing with Us!

As a community, we will come together to sing the iconic Yerushalayim Shel Zahav. You can prepare by listening to the original version, written by Naomi Shemer and performed by Shuli Natan, using this QR code.



From the Rabbi



RABBI MICHEL SCHLESINGER

In Every Generation: A Model of Empathy

As we prepare to gather around our Seder tables this Pesach, we are reminded of the profound words in the Haggadah: "In every generation, each person must see themselves as if they themselves left Egypt." This statement, central to the story of Passover, offers us a timeless lesson in empathy. It invites us to step into the sandals of our ancestors, to feel their struggles and triumphs as if they were our own, and to carry

that sense of connection and compassion into our lives today.

Pesach is not only about recounting the Exodus; it is about internalizing its lessons. The ability to see ourselves in another's experience is the foundation of a strong and vibrant community. At HERJC, we embody this principle as a congregation – a sacred group of individuals who share in each other's joys and support one another in times of difficulty.

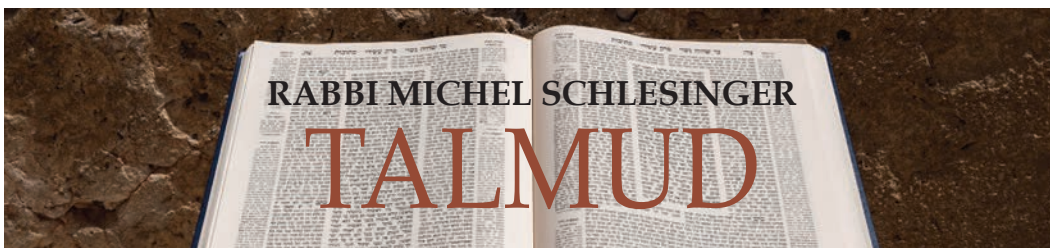
When we celebrate together, whether during festive holidays, Shabbat services, or communal gatherings, we strengthen the bonds that unite us. From sharing a piece of matzah at the Seder to dancing together with the Torah on Simchat Torah, these moments remind us that joy is magnified when it is shared. Yet, it is during challenging times that our commitment to one another truly shines. Like the Israelites who supported each other on their arduous journey to freedom, we are here for one another in moments of struggle and sorrow.

Empathy, the heart of our Pesach story, is what makes our congregation a family. It is what compels us to check in on a neighbor who is grieving, to drop off a meal for a family facing illness, or to offer a listening ear to someone in need. It is also what inspires us to join together at the Seder table, as we retell our collective journey from oppression to liberation.

This Pesach, as we dip the bitter herbs and taste the sweetness of charoset, let us renew our commitment to seeing ourselves in the story of others. Let us remember that each act of empathy – whether big or small – helps us fulfill the sacred task of living as if we, too, left Egypt. By stepping into the shoes of another, we not only honor our ancestors' journey, but also strengthen the ties that bind us as a community.

May this Pesach inspire us to deepen our empathy, share our joys, and support each other with open hearts.

Hoping to see you at our Community Seder on the second night of Pesach, Sunday, April 13th, I take this opportunity to wish you *Chag Pesach Sameach* – a joyful and meaningful Passover to you and your families.



February 26, March 26, April 22, 6:30 pm at HERJC

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HERJC Mission Statement

Hewlett-East Rockaway Jewish Centre–Congregation Etz Chaim (HERJC) is a warm, vibrant, traditional-egalitarian Conservative congregation. Our diverse, forward-thinking community is one in which learning, prayer and social action flourish.

Since its founding in 1949, HERJC has been recognized for creating a welcoming environment in which each member – Regardless of age, stage of life or background – feels a connection to one another, to the Jewish people, to the United States, to the land and State of Israel, to Judaism, and to God.

We are committed to continuing to provide innovative, interesting and thought-provoking programs that:

- Foster lifelong learning from pre-school through adulthood
- Celebrate our Jewish heritage
- Deepen the sense of community among our Congregational family
- Promote religious involvement of all members, and enhance their spiritual experience
- Encourage intergenerational cooperation
- Nurture the State of Israel and our relationship with it
- Serve the needs of our members, the local community, the United States, and K'lal Yisrael, the Jewish people, throughout the world.

Pirkei Avot says the world rests on Torah, Avodah, and G'milut Chasadim. So too does our Congregation.

From the Executive Director



LISA STEIN

"The truth of the matter is that the power of change is the greatest innovation, after the wonder of the creation of Heaven and Earth," (Pachad Yitzchak, Yom Kippur 1:8)

Change is a hard but good thing. These are statements I have been hearing all my life, reflecting a generally positive outlook to help us cope with what is new, guiding us as we navigate unfamiliar circumstances and events. We have been embarking on a variety of new endeavors here at HERJC, and it got me wondering, *'What does Judaism say about change?'* I was not surprised to learn that Judaism encourages us to embrace change. I read that a Jewish view of change is that of a necessary and positive force. The article referenced the concept of "Tikkun Olam" (repairing the world) which encourages active participation in making positive changes in society, while still respecting tradition. Judaism acknowledges that change is inevitable and even encourages personal growth through self-reflection and the ability to change one's actions. Sounds to me like a healthy approach!

Last month I was so proud of our involvement in the collaborative MLK Day program which we held at Elmont Memorial High School in partnership with the Elmont High School PTSA and Church of the Harvest in Valley Stream. Honestly, I was a bit nervous to try something we had not done before, holding a large scale event off site, with people we had not worked with before, but the work and the lessons learned were so worth it, as I hoped they would be.

Another reminder that while HERJC (and Judaism) are steeped in tradition, and I am certain I am not alone in that I find comfort and meaning in many of these traditions, yet I love to try new things and to think about traditional things in new ways. This is what we are continuing to do in the synagogue, in whatever ways we can. For instance, we have recently decided to make some changes to our weekly Shabbat Kiddush. We will still be using Bagel Boss sometimes, but on other weeks you will see different foods, including cholent. For those not familiar, *cholent* is a special stew that cooks in a crock pot overnight. Our newly redesigned Kiddush Committee will be preparing a variety of different *cholent* on Friday for everyone to enjoy on Shabbat morning after services. (Please see the Kiddush article on page 29.)

We are also constantly evaluating our communications. We rely on our email system and social media to communicate with you, our members, about what events we have coming up, and we are fortunate that we always have many opportunities! That being said, we are exploring what are the most engaging, meaningful, and productive ways to reach you with just the right amount of information. There may not be a perfect answer here, but rather than just keep things the way they have been, we are trying different approaches. I hope you will bear with us during these trials.

As the article I read reminded me, change can help you move forward, and it can bring new opportunities and connections. I also believe that change can help us see things in a new light, can trigger progress, and can be exciting! As always, I thank you for making HERJC part of your family's experience. I hope to see you at one of our many programs or events in the near future and I wish you a Happy and festive Purim and a happy and meaningful Passover!



From the President



Jason Melzer

Dear Congregants,

I hope everyone enjoyed Chanukah and a holiday season shared with loved ones. At HERJC, we have also shared many wonderful events together over the past few months. I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all our members who help to organize and execute these gatherings. The single most rewarding part of serving as your President is working with so many members who dedicate their time and talents to keep our synagogue thriving, moving into the future with positive energy, fresh ideas, and a sincere commitment to HERJC as an institution. If you are one of our newer members, I strongly encourage you to reach out to your fellow congregants to find out how you can lend your abilities towards making our synagogue even better. Please also feel free to reach out to the office or to me directly. We have so many opportunities for you to become involved in a way that will enrich both our community and yourselves. These include serving in capacities related to finance, education, ritual, social, capital improvement projects, and more. As we continue to enjoy a period of growth and renewal, HERJC would surely benefit from some additional helping hands.

As a relatively new member myself, I can tell you based on personal experience that anyone who is willing to donate their time is treated with a tremendous amount of respect and appreciation. Our synagogue values diversity of opinion and recognizes that decisions made through consensus are often the most productive and well-received. In order to appeal to the changing nature and priorities of Jewish families on the south shore of Long Island, we need to revisit and reimagine some of what we offer as a congregation. We would benefit greatly from having as broad a spectrum of voices as possible participate in that process.

I am sure that many of you have ideas about how to make certain improvements at HERJC or to introduce new ideas, programs, clubs, etc. If this statement rings true to you, I urge you not only to express those opinions in a constructive way, but to use that feeling as motivation to get involved and make your ideas come to life. *Tikkun olam* – repair the world – expresses the value of volunteering in Judaism. We all have the obligation to make our little corner of the world here at HERJC better and more whole. Please join us as we continue to shepherd HERJC into the future in the most positive and successful way.

With love and respect, Jason

Our hearts and prayers remain with all impacted by the devastating fires in Southern California. We know that affected areas are home to our students, employees, colleagues, friends, family members, alums, and many others. Here are a couple of suggestions on how to offer support during this time.

Jewish Federation of Los Angeles (JFEDLA) has created a Wildfire Crisis Relief Fund to support neighbors affected by the catastrophic fires. www.jewishla.org/wildfire-crisis-relief/
LA Firefighters Foundation provides safety equipment and medical care for the firefighters. <https://supportlafd.org/>



SERVICE SCHEDULE

SHABBAT

Unless otherwise noted:

Friday night, 6:00 pm

In person

Saturday morning, 9:30 am

In person and Zoom

MORNING MINYAN

Monday, Thursday, and Rosh Chodesh, 7:45 am

In person and Zoom

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 7:45 am

Check calendar for in person and Zoom days

Sunday, 9:00 am

In person and Zoom followed by breakfast

National holidays

9:00 am

EVENING MINYAN

Sunday-Thursday, 7:30 pm

Zoom ONLY

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Kita Zayin (Grade 7) working with Terri's Angels and welcoming guest speaker, Stacey David

A Word From the Ritual Committee

BY MICHAEL GOLDWASSER

We've been busy working on several initiatives to enhance the ritual life of our congregation. First of all, we're still trying to update the name cards for honors at services so that everything goes smoothly when one of us is called for an honor on the bima. And registering your name with HERJC could be a great opportunity to discuss your Hebrew names and where they come from with your family. If you don't have a card, are not sure if you have a card, or need your card to be corrected or updated, you can enter your family's names on the HERJC website – look for the “HERJC Members Hebrew Name Project” button near the top of the homepage. You can also email or call the office with the correct information.

We are also always looking for more Torah and Haftorah readers. If you've read in the past, we'd love to have you read again, and if you've never read before, it's never too late to learn. You could just read a short *aliyah*: sometimes they are only three sentences long. I especially enjoy reading Torah back-to-back with my daughters or with friends – it's a special feeling that I highly recommend. We've got many resources to help you learn your aliyot, and Hazzan Zakarin is always willing to assist you. Please let the Hazzan or me know if you are interested and we will get you all of the materials that you need.

We'd also like to invite everyone to join our morning and evening minyanim. Besides the great feeling of davening together and providing an opportunity for those in mourning or observing a *yahrzeit* to say Kaddish, our twice daily minyanim are great for socializing. Some retirees have commented that attending minyan in the morning has helped to give structure to their daily lives and a nice reason to start the day. We have seen meaningful friendships come from attending minyan together, and it can lead to a greater sense of belonging and fulfillment. Details for times and whether it's in-person or on Zoom can be found here in Hakol and on the HERJC website. We might not all become millionaires, but we can all become minyanaires!

Speaking of minyan, there is an official change to the liturgy for evening minyan. Rabbi Schlesinger has stated that we should no longer be including the prayer on page 140 of Siddur Sim Shalom that starts with “*Baruch Hashem l'olam, amen v'amen.*” This prayer was added after the exiles in order to safeguard the physical well-being of those attending synagogue in the evening, when it was best to travel in larger groups as protection from thieves and those who would otherwise do harm to Jews. There are two theories – one is that this prayer was in lieu of the Amidah, which would then shorten the service and allow everyone to leave earlier. The other is that this was an additional prayer that would lengthen the service to help ensure that everyone would have time to arrive, complete their prayers, and then leave together. Regardless, it is generally safe to travel home from shul at night these days, so this prayer is no longer necessary. And isn't it so typically Jewish to have two answers to a question that are the opposite of each other, but make equal sense?

We hope that you enjoy the holidays of Tu b'Shevat, Purim, and Pesach, and don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions related to ritual.



The Harry Kassel Patrons Society



If Harry Kassel (z"l) were alive, I believe he would say the Patrons Society which he envisioned 47 years ago has achieved more than he could ever have imagined. Our Early Childhood Center has over 110 students and extended its services this year to Israeli children to provide them with a stable life while fighting rages in Gaza. Our Religious School has over 85 students with the influx of new members who see their children's education as paramount to a Jewish community. Our overall membership rose by over 25 families this year, continuing the trend of HERJC's growth and positive feedback for our synagogue. In truth, *The Harry Kassel Patrons Society* and those who participate as Patrons reflect the incredible generosity of HERJC members who secure our future by maintaining our present. Their contributions as

Patrons are shining examples of what these families mean to HERJC, and we owe them our gratitude for their stalwart support. Their participation is a sign of the Patrons' collective belief in HERJC and in the legacy Harry sought to create.

Thank you to our new and continuing Patrons. If you would like to become a Patron, please contact Lisa Stein at execdir@herjc.org.

KETER TORAH

Lisa & Edmund Cohen
Marilyn & Stanley Cohen
Stephanie & Steven Kaufman
Joan Laufer

DOUBLE CHAI

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Aleta & Ariel Grunberg
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Iris & Alan Jacobs
Laurie & Asher Platt
Arthur Riegel
Nora & Jack Skiba

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Rebecca Winter, Joshua Waitt;
& Xander Winter
Hazzan Bonnie & Moshe Zakarin
Cristina Zancani & David Schieren

Please join us for a Community Second Seder at HERJC Sunday, April 13th, 6:00 pm

What better way to spend your Passover seder than with Rabbi Schlesinger, Hazzan Zakarin, good food, music and celebration! Everyone is welcome to join for this interactive and festive experience.

Friends and family welcome to join.

The Cost is \$52 for HERJC members, \$65 for non-members, \$25 for children (4-13). Sign up by scanning the QR code.





HERJC, The Church of the Harvest, Elmont Memorial High School PTSA, and UJA collaborated for an impactful community service event to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



THREE TONS OF PRODUCE AND A NATIONAL AWARD: MITZVAH GARDEN DOES HERJC PROUD

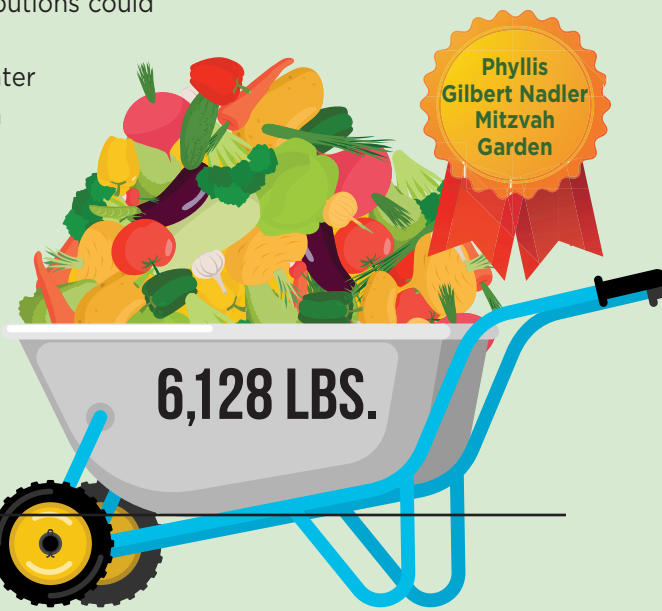
The Mitzvah Garden at HERJC, in its fourteenth year, has donated over 3 TONS of produce (6,128 pounds, to be exact) to the soup kitchen at the Far Rockaway Outreach Center since it began. Congregants cooperate with Early Childhood Center students and teachers in the cultivation and harvest of our crops, such as potatoes, tomatoes, cabbages, and carrots. As an additional benefit, our students can have fresh picked produce with their lunch during the growing season.

Dr. Larry Gottlieb, the founder and leader of the Mitzvah Garden, likes to say that we really have a Triple Mitzvah Garden: 1) the youngest members of the congregation discover that food comes from the ground, 2) our neighbors in Far Rockaway benefit from our efforts and 3) we have been able to maintain the garden for 14 years. Larry also provides flower and vegetable seeds for the congregants' home gardens. These seeds will be available outside the ECC office beginning in January.

The formal name of the garden is the Phyllis Gilbert Nadler Mitzvah Garden. Phyllis was a beloved member of our congregation who was quite active in congregational life. She pioneered many social action projects. A fund was established in her name after she died in 2019 so that contributions could be made to help upset the expenses of the Mitzvah Garden.

The HERJC Mitzvah Garden won the prestigious Solomon Schechter national award from the United Synagogue for Conservative Judaism in 2020. That followed an award in a local competition from METNY, the local affiliate of USCJ. The Solomon Schechter awards recognize extraordinary congregational achievement in various aspects of synagogue life.

Tikkun Olam is the theme of our Mitzvah Garden efforts: not only has everyone learned more about protecting and enhancing the beauties of nature, but this learning links to caring for the less fortunate. We accept responsibility for protecting our earth, and the people on it. And we are proud to continue these efforts.



Mazal Tov to Our B'nai Mitzvah

RYAN POMPONIO

January 11, 2025

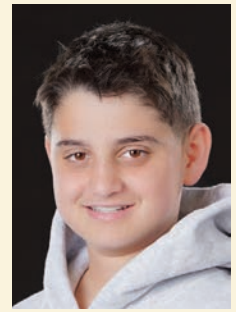
Mazel Tov to Amy and Frank Pomponio on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ryan in January 2025. Ryan is funny, athletic, creative, kind, and intelligent. Whenever he's not playing basketball, baseball, or football, Ryan loves to volunteer at animal shelters. Ryan and his family have been involved at HERJC for many years and are looking forward to more community events. Ryan has one sister, Olivia (15).



MASON LEVY

March 20, 2025

Mazel Tov to Suzanne and Matthew on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Mason. Mason is kind, sensitive, outgoing, friendly, funny, and is always putting others first. Mason enjoys playing soccer and basketball. At school, he is a Bulldog Buddy and he always helps with the Special Education Classrooms and students. Mason is always looking for new volunteering opportunities and enjoys giving his time to help out where he can. Mason has two siblings, Joshua (17) and Benjamin (14).



CHASE LINK

April 26, 2025

Mazel Tov to Jamie and Douglas Link on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Chase. Chase is outgoing, compassionate, athletic, smart, and caring. Chase is very involved with sports, specifically, he has been involved with a number of different Basketball Leagues over the years. The Link family have been HERJC members for 10 years and look forward to continuing to be a part of the HERJC community. Chase has two siblings, Hunter (14) and Sage (9).



Educating ourselves about World Zionist Congress and MERCAZ USA, and voting in the online election that is taking place between March 10 – May 4, 2025, is a way for us as American Jews to have a voice in Israel and shape the future of the World Zionist Congress. Jewish communities around the world have the opportunity to vote for the party that represents our Zionism and the

direction of world Jewry. Elections are held every five years. The Congress exercises control over four of the largest nonprofits in the Jewish world – WZO, KKL/JNF, the Jewish Agency, and Keren HaYesod – with combined allocations over \$2.5 billion annually. Who runs these organizations and how they spend their time and money depends on your vote! MERCAZ is the slate in this election that represents Conservative/Masorti Judaism. (That's us!) Just five minutes and 5 dollars is all it takes for any American Jew over age 18 to vote for MERCAZ USA.

www.mercazusa.org/voteMERCAZ2025/



Holidays

Purim

"Purim is a way of saying: 'Remember the past, but then look at the children, celebrate with them, and for their sake, put the past behind you and build a better future.'"—Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks

Purim (which means "lots" in Persian) is the Jewish holiday that celebrates how the Jewish people were saved from annihilation in ancient Persia as told in the Biblical book of Esther.

In the story, Haman, the evil advisor to King Ahasuerus of Persia, plots to kill all the Jews. However, through the courageous actions of Queen Esther and her cousin Mordechai, Haman's evil plan is derailed and the Jewish people are spared.

Purim is called the "Festival of Lots" because Haman cast lots to determine when he would carry out his plan (in Esther 3:7). On Purim, Jews celebrate the great reversal of fortune of the Jews of Persia and how the day that was originally set for their destruction transformed into one of great joy and celebration. Purim is one of the most festive and joyous occasions of the year, but it also grapples with the deeper and more troubling themes of the story. (www.jewishunpacked.com)

For more information about Purim watch this video from Mayim Bialik: <https://jewishunpacked.com/how-to-celebrate-purim/>

Megillah Reading • Thursday, 3/13, 6:30 pm • Friday, 3/14, 7:45 am

Sunday, March 16

WICKED PURIM SPIEL PERFORMANCE 9:00 am

PURIM CARNIVAL 10:30 am

- ◆ Follow the yellow brick road to the emerald city in the gym
- ◆ Hot Dogs will be back by popular demand, in addition many other fan favorites
- ◆ Visit our new prize location
- ◆ Game tickets will be available for pre-purchase following the February break
- ◆ Volunteers are needed for preparation and day of Carnival. For more information or to lend a hand please contact:

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The Youth Department relies on your generosity. By sponsoring a banner, you not only help to ensure the success of the carnival, but funds raised are used for programs throughout the year.

Use the QR code to become a sponsor.



Passover

Passover, a widely celebrated Jewish holiday, is a special time for families and for communities. Passover (Pesach) is a Festival of Freedom and Justice. Jews in our community and around the world take the time with family and friends to celebrate and remember our history. A central story, it reflects many prevalent themes in Jewish history, including oppression and the yearning for freedom, the resilience of the Jewish people and the protection given by God, and the importance of a Jewish homeland. We retell the story each year, as we have been doing for thousands of years. Jewish families talk about our ancestors who survived adversity, as well as the challenges that contemporary Jews continue to face. We are compelled to remember that our people were once slaves and now we must do what we can to help others. It is customary to have two *sedarim*, providing ample opportunity for the retelling of the story of the Exodus for Egypt.

Passover and Chametz

There are few aspects of Jewish observance as complicated as preparing for Passover and eliminating chametz.

The Torah (Exodus 12:15-20), prohibits the eating of leavened food, popularly called chametz (also written chameitz, hametz, hameitz), during the entire festival. But the situation is even more stringent than that, for the halakhah (loosely translated as Jewish law) forbids not only eating it, but even deriving any benefit from it or permitting the presence in our homes of any of it that belongs to us during the entire festival period. It is this last requirement that results in the kind of intense labor most of us associate with preparing for Passover.

The forbidden substance, chametz, is defined as any food made of any of the five species of grain – wheat, barley, oats, spelt, and rye – that has been made wet with water, then left unbaked for more than eighteen minutes.

Baking halts the leavening process, so if water is added to any of the above grains but baked within the eighteen-minute period, it is deemed to be unleavened, therefore kosher for Passover.

The Hunt for Chametz

Since the possession of any amount of chametz at all is considered a violation of the law, great effort must be made to remove all food substances that contain chametz from the home before Passover. After intense cleaning and the removal of all visible chametz, a search – popularly called b'dikat chametz – is undertaken the night before Passover after sundown. (This search takes place on Thursday evening when the first night of Passover falls on Saturday.)

Since, by now, almost all chametz should have been removed from the house, it is customary to leave a few crumbs of bread or cake (or any leavened substance) around the house so that something can be found and the search will not feel as though it were carried out in vain.

A candle is lit and used to search out the chametz hidden in even the darkest recesses of the house. The blessing recited before the search can be found at the beginning of the Passover Haggadah. Then, after the search concludes, a special prayer is recited that declares any unlocated chametz to be null and void, “as if it did not exist,” and affirms that a good-faith effort was made to find and remove all of it in one’s possession.

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Passover Schedule

EREV PESACH – FIRST SEDER

■ Saturday, April 12

Shabbat Service 9:30 am
Light Holiday Candles 8:13 pm

PESACH DAY 1 – SECOND SEDER

■ Sunday, April 13

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED

In Person & Zoom Morning Minyan
followed by Breakfast 10:00 am
Community Second Seder at HERJC . . . 6:00 pm
Light Holiday Candles 8:14 pm

PESACH DAY 2

■ Monday, April 14

Passover Service 9:30 am
Virtual Evening Minyan 7:30 pm

PESACH DAY 3

■ Tuesday, April 15

In Person & Zoom Morning Minyan 7:45 am
Virtual Evening Minyan 7:30 pm

PESACH DAY 4

■ Wednesday, April 16

In Person & Zoom Morning Minyan 7:45 am
Virtual Evening Minyan 7:30 pm

PESACH DAY 5

■ Thursday, April 17

In Person & Zoom Morning Minyan 7:45 am
Virtual Evening Minyan 7:30 pm

PESACH DAY 6

■ Friday, April 18

In Person & Zoom Morning Minyan 7:45 am
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm
Light Shabbat/Holiday Candles 7:19 pm

PESACH DAY 7

■ Saturday, April 19

Passover Shabbat & Instrumental :
Shabbat 9:30 pm
Light Holiday Candles 8:21 pm

PESACH DAY 8

■ Sunday, April 20

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED

In Person & Zoom Morning Minyan
followed by Breakfast 9:30 am
Virtual Evening Minyan 7:30 pm
Holiday Ends 8:23 pm



The text of this declaration too can be found in the front of any Passover Haggadah. One who is away from home on the night before Pesach can perform the b'dikah earlier (Magein Avraham to SA Orach Chayyim 432:6; Mishnah B'rurah ad loc., note 10). Those who will be away for the entire holiday can sell their chametz early and not be obligated for b'dikah (Mishnah B'rurah to SA Orach Chayyim 436:32).

The next morning we participate in a ceremonial burning of the small amount of chametz that was found during the search the night before. This ceremonial burning is called bi'ur v ("destruction of v"). This can be done at home, but some communities sponsor communal bonfires where the public brings chametz for burning. A declaration similar to the one made after the search for leaven the previous evening is recited following the burning of the chametz.

The remaining crumbs of chametz must be destroyed long before noon on the day before Passover. (Most synagogues announce the precise time by which it must be destroyed so as not to require individuals to calculate the precise time on their own.)

When Do We Stop Eating Chametz?

The deadline for actually eating chametz, however, is even earlier than that. Nor, however, may matzah be eaten on the eve of Passover until the seder meal itself (SA Orach Chayyim 471:2). And some suggest that one should not eat matzah from Rosh Hodesh Nisan on in order to increase one's appetite for the mitzvah of matzah on the first night of Passover (Mishnah B'rurah to SA Orach Chayyim 471:2).

For detailed information about prohibited and permissible food for Passover please consult the Rabbinical Assembly Passover Guide by scanning the QR code to the right.



Kitniyot

Until the fall of 2015, the CJLS (Committee on Jewish Law & Standards) position on *kitniyot* (for Ashkenazim) has followed that of the longstanding Ashkenazi *minhag* of refraining from eating them. These foods included: beans, corn, millet, peas, rice, soy, and some other plant based foods like mustard, buckwheat and sesame seeds. The one exception was an approved permission of peanuts and peanut oil, provided said items have proper year-round kosher certification and do not contain *hammeitz* ingredients. In the fall of 2015 the CJLS passed two responsa which permit the consumption of *kitniyot* for Ashkenazim.

MECHIRAT CHAMETZ "SELLING OF LEAVEN"

The Biblical injunction reads "no leaven shall be seen or found in your possession" during *Pesach*. To accept the literal, surface meaning of this command would imply that one must DISPOSE OF all his pastry, flour, sugar, etc. for the full week. Imagine what havoc this would cause the baker, manufacturer, wholesaler or any ordinary household! The Rabbis concluded that the leaven may not BELONG TO YOU during the week of *Pesach*. Therefore, if it is sold to a non-Jew, you have fulfilled the law. This, then, became the prevalent practice, though usually with the stipulation (or tacit understanding) that the non-Jew "sell it back" after *Pesach*. Since, however, it is much too cumbersome for each Jew to perform such transactions individually, the next step was to empower one person - usually the Rabbi - to act as agent for the entire community.

Mechirat Chametz Authorization for Sale of Chametz

I hereby authorize Rabbi Schlesinger to sell all *chametz* in my possession.

Name (Please Print) _____

Address _____

Signed _____

Date _____

- Please mail this form to the HERJC office
- OR email Rabbi at rabbi@herjc.org
- OR scan the QR code



Donations optional
Deadline for receipt is April 10, 12:00 pm

OUR HERJC CHAMETZ BURNING CEREMONY WILL BE ON APRIL 11 AT 8:45 AM



“LET ALL WHO ARE HUNGRY, COME AND EAT”

When you share the joy of Passover with family and friends, you will enjoy it that much more knowing that you have remembered the Jewish needy when you shop for Passover. Please help those less fortunate fill their seder table, too. Just think of the gratitude we can feel for doing this easy and wonderful mitzvah!



YOM HASHOAH

Yom HaShoah will be observed this year on Thursday, April 24th.

Yellow candles in memory of victims of the Holocaust will be available for pickup in the main office during the month of April.



Holiday Favorites

Lisa Stein's Matzah Ball Recipe

Makes 12 matzah balls.

Ingredients

4 eggs
1/3 cup oil
1/2 cup water
Pinch of sugar and salt
1 cup matzah meal

Directions

1. Mix eggs, oil, and water together
2. Add sugar and salt
3. Add matzah meal and mix really well
4. Cover and put in fridge for at least 1/2 hour (I often leave all day or overnight).
5. Boil salted water (or add boullion to water).
6. Roll into balls and drop into the boiling water.
7. Let cook for at least 1/2 hour. They should expand a little and float.



Hasselback Salami — A Nice Addition to the Seder Meal

Ingredients

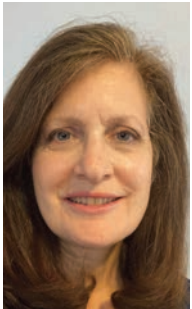
A 14-16 ounce salami
1/2 cup apricot jam
1/2 tablespoon hot sauce
1 tablespoon maple syrup
1 tablespoon brown sugar

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 400°F / 200°C.
2. Place two chopsticks on both sides of the salami (with plastic removed).
3. Cut thin slices about 1/8 inch wide. The chopsticks should stop the knife from cutting through the entire height of the salami.
4. Mix the apricot jam, hot sauce, maple syrup and brown sugar in a bowl.
5. Pour over salami. Make sure it gets in between the cracks.
6. Bake for 45 minutes or until it looks crispy enough for your taste. Every 15 minutes, remove from oven and scoop some of the sauce onto the salami. That keeps it nice and juicy.
7. Serve with mustard.



Sisterhood



BEVERLY WACHTEL

Am Yisrael Chai! The people of Israel live! The Jewish people survive and thrive by keeping our traditions alive, educating ourselves, making our voices heard, and remembering our past.

One of the beautiful Jewish traditions, which Sisterhood coordinates for HERJC, is Mishloach Manot, the giving of food gifts to friends and family on Purim. If you haven't already placed your order to send Shalach Manot to your friends at HERJC, be sure to get your order in by February 27! To place your order, log in to Happy Purim with your personal login code and choose names from the list of HERJC members and staff to whom you'd like to send Shalach Manot. Your name will be added to the card on the bag of goodies that is delivered to each of those people. Of course, you can also choose "reciprocal" to make sure that you don't miss out on sending to those who send to you! In addition, you can choose to send to all HERJC staff. Look for the email with login information. If you need help placing your order or would like to help pack or deliver the Shalach Manot bags, contact Barbara Kaplan.

Another beautiful Jewish tradition is having fresh homemade challah for Shabbat. To carry on this Jewish tradition, how would you like to learn to bake challah? We're thrilled to offer challah baking, a joint program with Adult Ed., with Cheryl Strom on Sunday, February 23 from 12-3 pm.

How does educating ourselves and making our voices heard help the Jewish people? We learned from two programs we had in January about countering antisemitism. We viewed the documentary "A Tree of Life" about the 2018 synagogue shootings, and we heard from Rabbi Hazzan Myers who survived the attack and became the face of the tragedy. From him, we learned that lack of understanding leads to fear and hate which can lead to acts of violence, and he described his efforts to remove the "H word" and hate speech from our society. We also heard speaker Tzivia Appleman from ADL talk about the rise in

antisemitism in the U.S. since Oct 7, 2023, to a level unprecedented in modern history. She told us about the resources that ADL provides, about ADL's advocating for the Countering Antisemitism Act, the lawsuits ADL has filed, and how we can participate in advocacy. Learning about these incidents and the history of the Jewish people helps us to counter the misinformation presented as facts.

Another way we carry on our traditions and make our voices heard is by participating in Shabbat services. Our Sisterhood members made their voices heard as proud Jewish women during Sisterhood Shabbat in January. Thank you to all of the women who participated in services that morning. Taking part in services together helps to build camaraderie amongst our members.

On the lighter side, on February 6 at 8:00 pm, we'll learn the History of Mah Jongg, presented by Helene Herman (who taught us in the past about the History of Candy). Do you know why Mah Jongg is associated with Jewish Women? Come and find out! We continue with our bi-monthly Book Club meetings, with our next two meetings on February 19 and April 22, and we're taking a trip to the Morgan Library in March. On March 12 at 8:00 pm we'll enjoy the romantic comedy film, "A Wedding Plan," co-sponsored with Adult Ed. Then on Tues, April 29 we'll get together for an informal Game Night.

Raising money for our synagogue is another way that Sisterhood is helping with the continuity of the Jewish people. Your participation in Jewish traditions like New Year Greetings and Shalach Manot at HERJC helps us to support our synagogue. We thank Barbara Kaplan for coordinating New Year Greetings and both Barbara and Gail Weinstein for coordinating Shalach Manot. Thanks also to Gail for her efforts in putting together another amazing night of BRINGO (Bingo for prizes). Her creative verses describing how to "make Bingo" and the large number of prizes made the evening exciting. We also truly appreciate the generosity of the merchants who donated raffle prizes for this event.

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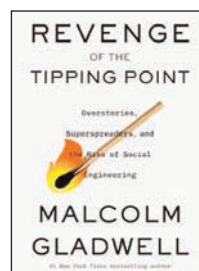
Sisterhood Events

SISTERHOOD BOOK DISCUSSIONS

■ **Wednesday, February 19 at 8:00 pm (in person or Zoom)**

***Revenge of the Tipping Point* by Malcolm Gladwell**

Malcolm Gladwell examines the unseen social mechanisms that incite drastic changes in society, revealing how small actions, ideas, or trends transform into significant cultural phenomena.

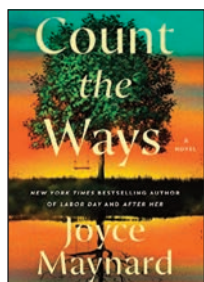


■ **Tuesday, April 22 at 8:00 pm (in person or Zoom)**

***Count the Ways* by Joyce Maynard**

Tracing the course of their lives – through the gender transition of one child and another's choice to completely break with her mother – Joyce Maynard captures a family forced to confront essential, painful truths of its past, and find redemption in its darkest hours.

Contact the office to find out where the meetings are taking place.



HISTORY OF MAH JONGG

■ **Thursday, February 6, 8:00 pm, Zoom**

Discover the history of Mah Jongg in China and America and learn what has made this historic game so popular amongst Jewish-American Women over the years.



GAME NIGHT

■ **Tuesday, April 29, Evening**

Come enjoy a relaxing night out with your Sisterhood friends.

TORAH FUND EVENT

■ **Sunday, May 4, Brunch**

Get Your Torah Fund Pin Early!
“Am Yisrael Chai” is an expression of Jewish solidarity for the Jewish nation and the continuity of the Jewish people. For more info, contact Barbara Kaplan, our BQLI Region Torah Fund VP at barbkrd63@gmail.com.



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SHALACH
MANOT
FOR PURIM
TO SEND TO
YOUR HERJC
FRIENDS!

It's Purim time again!
Spread the joy of giving!
It's a Mitzvah, it's great
fun, and with HERJC's
online ordering system,
it's easier than ever!



Look for your email
from HERJC Sisterhood
with the subject line
**“Time to Order Shalach
Manot for Purim!”**,
then log in to
happypurim.com with
your personal login code
and place your order!

**All orders must
be placed by
March 2.**

SISTERHOOD *Continued from previous page*

Remembering our past is central to Judaism. This Passover, as we sit around the table with our families and retell the story of our people's redemption from slavery in Egypt, we will recall the dramatic and miraculous events which led to the Exodus. This year we will also think of the dramatic events taking place in Israel today, of the successes of Israel in defending itself from attacks on 7 fronts and protecting its people with missile defense systems that are nothing short of miraculous. Our hearts will continue to ache for the people of Israel who are still being held hostage by Hamas after 1-½ years. Sadly, we have one more story to tell about antisemitism, but telling it again and again helps us to never forget.
Am Yisrael Chai!

February Calendar



Year-Round Food Collection

Please continue to bring kosher non-perishable food items to the Synagogue. We deliver regularly to a food pantry. The need is great, so please help us to fight hunger.



Recycling Opportunities at HERJC

The Early Childhood Center Collects

used ink cartridges, cell phones and "garbage" (which becomes art!), such as CLEAN paper towel tubes, coffee cans, egg crates, baby food jars, plastic containers, ribbons, wrapping paper, wallpaper, buttons, yarn, spools, fabric, shopping bags and anything else you can think of!

They can be dropped off outside the ECC School doors, or call the office at 599-1169.

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Challah Bake



**Sunday, February 23,
Noon – 3:00 pm**

Sponsored by
Adult Education

2 4 SHEVAT

9:00 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
9:00 am – Religious School (Building Blocks-Grade 6)
12:00 pm – Purim Spiel Rehearsal
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan

3 5 SHEVAT

7:45 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
6:30 pm – Israel Committee Meeting
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan

4 6 SHEVAT

7:45 am – Virtual Morning Minyan
4:15-6:15 pm – Religious School (Grades 1-6)
6:00-8:00 pm – Religious School (Grade 7)
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan

9 11 SHEVAT

9:00 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
9:00 am – Religious School (Building Blocks-Grade 6)
9:00 am – World Wide Wrap at HERJC
12:00 pm – Purim Spiel Rehearsal
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan

10 12 SHEVAT

7:45 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm – Executive Committee Meeting

11 13 SHEVAT

7:45 am – Virtual Morning Minyan
4:15-6:15 pm – Religious School (Grades 1-6)
6:00-8:00 pm – Religious School (Grade 7)
6:30 pm – Ritual Committee Meeting
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm – Education Committee Meeting

16 18 SHEVAT

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED
NO PURIM SPIEL REHEARSAL
9:00 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan

17 19 SHEVAT

ECC CLOSED – WINTER RECESS
OFFICE CLOSED – PRESIDENTS' DAY
9:00 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan

18 20 SHEVAT

ECC CLOSED – WINTER RECESS
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED
7:45 am – Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan

23 25 SHEVAT

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED
NO PURIM SPIEL REHEARSAL
9:00 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan

24 26 SHEVAT

7:45 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm – Board of Directors Meeting

25 27 SHEVAT

7:45 am – Virtual Morning Minyan
4:15-6:15 pm – Religious School (Grades 1-6)
6:00-8:00 pm – Religious School (Grade 7)
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm – House Committee Meeting



of Events

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



TU BISHVAT SEDER

Thursday, February 13
11:30 am

At Temple Hillel
1000 Rosedale Rd, Valley Stream

1 3 SHEVAT
PARASHAT BO

9:30 am - Shabbat Service
5:56 pm - Havdalah

5 7 SHEVAT

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Sisterhood Board Meeting

6 8 SHEVAT

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
6:30 pm - Parsha & Pizza (at Sephardic Temple, 775 Branch Blvd. Cedarhurst)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

7 9 SHEVAT

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
9:30 am - ECC Whole School Shabbat
5:02 pm - Candlelighting
6:00 pm - Shir Chadash Kabbalat Shabbat

8 10 SHEVAT
PARASHAT BESHALACH

9:30 am - Shabbat Service (Shabbat Shirah & Instrumental Shabbat)
6:04 pm - Havdalah

12 14 SHEVAT

FEBRUARY 12 - 14 SHEVAT
7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
8:30 am - ECC Storytime
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Sisterhood Mah Jong Night

13 15 SHEVAT
TU BISHVAT

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
11:30 am - Tu BiShvat Seder (at Temple Hillel)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

14 16 SHEVAT

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
5:11 pm - Candlelighting
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service

15 11 SHEVAT
PARASHAT YITRO

9:30 am - Shabbat Service
6:11 pm - Havdalah

19 21 SHEVAT

ECC CLOSED - WINTER RECESS
7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Sisterhood Book Club

20 22 SHEVAT

ECC CLOSED - WINTER RECESS
7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

21 23 SHEVAT

ECC CLOSED - WINTER RECESS
7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
5:19 pm - Candlelighting
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service

22 24 SHEVAT
PARASHAT MISHPATIM

9:30 am - Shabbat Service
6:19 pm - Havdalah

26 28 SHEVAT

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
6:30 pm - Rabbi Schlesinger's Talmud Class (In Person at HERJC)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

27 29 SHEVAT

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:00 pm - Ruach Committee Meeting (Round 2 of Coffeehouse Auditions)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

28 30 SHEVAT

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
5:27 pm - Candlelighting
6:00 pm - Chevre Shabbat
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service



March Calendar

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY



SISTERHOOD & ADULT EDUCATION MOVIE NIGHT

"The Wedding Plan", March 12 at 8:00 pm in Board Room

THE WEDDING PLAN is a poignant and funny romantic comedy about love, marriage, and faith in life's infinite possibilities.

2 2 ADAR

9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
9:00 am - Religious School (Building Blocks-Grade 6)
12:00 pm - Purim Spiel Rehearsal
6:30 pm - Hazzan & Friends Concert (at HERJC)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

3 3 ADAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Executive Committee Meeting

4 4 ADAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
4:15-6:15 pm - Religious School (Grades 1-6)
6:00-8:00 pm - Religious School (Grade 7)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

5 5 ADAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

9 9 ADAR

**Daylight Savings Time Starts
Set your clock ahead one hour**

9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
9:00 am - Religious School (Building Blocks-Grade 6)
12:00 pm - Purim Spiel Rehearsal
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

10 10 ADAR

ECC Crazy Hat Day
7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

11 11 ADAR

ECC Backwards Day
7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
4:15-6:15 pm - Religious School (Grades 1-6)
6:00-8:00 pm - Religious School (Grade 7)
6:30 pm - Ritual Committee Meeting
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Education Committee Meeting

12 12 ADAR

ECC Pajama Day
7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
8:30 am - ECC Storytime
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Adult Ed Film Night: The Wedding Plan

16 16 ADAR

Shushan Purim

**9:00 am - Wicked Purim Spiel Performance
(includes Religious School and Minyan)**

10:30 am - Purim Carnival
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

17 17 ADAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Board of Directors Meeting

18 18 ADAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
4:15-6:15 pm - Religious School (Grades 1-6)
6:00-8:00 pm - Religious School (Grade 7)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - House Committee Meeting

19 19 ADAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
8:30 am - ECC Storytime
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

23 23 ADAR

9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Minyan
9:00 am - Religious School
9:00 am - Guest Speaker- Yael Cohen Paran: Israel's "Day After"
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

30 1 NISAN

Rosh Chodesh

9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Minyan
9:00 am - Religious School
2:00 pm - Museum of Jewish Heritage
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

24 24 ADAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

31 2 NISAN

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

25 25 ADAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
4:15-6:15 pm - Religious School (Grades 1-6)
6:00-8:00 pm - Religious School (Grade 7)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

26 26 ADAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
6:30 pm - Rabbi Schlesinger's Talmud Class (In Person at HERJC)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan



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THURSDAY



FRIDAY

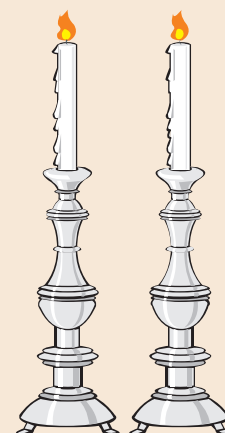
SATURDAY

Light the Shabbat Candles and Recite the Following Blessing

ברוך אתה ה'
אלהינו מלך העולם,
אשר קדשנו במצותיו,
וצונו להדליק נר
של שבת.

Ba-ruch A-tah A-do-nai
E-lohei-nu Me-lech
Ha-olam
A-Sher Kee-di-shah-noo
Bi-mitz-vo-tav
Vi-tzee-va-noo
Li-had-leek Ner
Shel Sha-bat.

Blessed are You,
Lord our God,
Ruler of the universe,
who has hallowed us
through commandments,
and has commanded
us to kindle the
Shabbat Lights.



Candlelighting times are listed on the calendar

6 6 ADAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
6:30 pm - Parsha & Pizza (at Temple Beth El, 46 Locust Ave, Cedarhurst)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Sisterhood Board Meeting

7 7 ADAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
9:30 am - ECC Whole School Shabbat
5:35 pm - Candlelighting
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service

8 8 ADAR

PARASHAT TETZAVEH

9:30 am - Shabbat Service (Shabbat Zachor)
6:35 pm - Havdalah & Religious School Havdalah

13 13 ADAR

Erev Purim

Fast of Esther
ECC Crazy Hair Day
5:45 pm - Purim Play (Ages 2 through Grade 2)
7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
6:30 pm - Purim Megillah Reading

14 14 ADAR

Purim

ECC Costume Day
7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan with Megillah Reading
6:00 pm - Chevre Shabbat (Purim Seudah)
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
6:43 pm - Candlelighting

15 15 ADAR

PARASHAT KI TISA

9:30 am - Shabbat Service
7:42 pm - Havdalah

20 20 ADAR

Mason Levy Bar Mitzvah AM Service

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

21 21 ADAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
5:30 pm - Tot Shabbat
6:50 pm - Candlelighting

22 22 ADAR

PARASHAT VAYAKHEL

9:30 am - Shabbat Service (Shabbat Parah)
7:50 pm - Havdalah
8:00 pm - Coffeehouse Night (at HERJC)

27 27 ADAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

28 28 ADAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
6:58 pm - Candlelighting
7:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Dinner

29 29 ADAR

PARASHAT PEKUDEI

9:30 am - Shabbat Service (Shabbat HaChodesh)
7:58 pm - Havdalah



April Calendar

Ma'ot Hittim

It is an ancient tradition to make a special donatio before Passover to be used to help those in need.

While charity is a mitzvah at all times, it is felt that particularly on Pesach, no one should go hungry and everyone should have the wherewithal to celebrate fully.

If you would like to contribute Ma'ot Hittim, you may send a check, in any amount, to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, or donate online at herjc.org.

Seder Hospitality

If you know anyone who needs a Seder to go to or you would like to host someone at your Seder, please call the office at 599-2634 or email office@herjc.org.

Thanks!
What a wonderful mitzvah!



SUNDAY

Burning of Chametz

ECC on 04/09, 8:45 am
Congregation on 4/11, 8:15 am



MONDAY

TUESDAY

1 3 NISAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
4:15-6:15 pm - Religious School (Grades 1-6)
6:00-8:00 pm - Religious School (Grade 7)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

6 8 NISAN

9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
9:00 am - Religious School (Building Blocks-Grade 6)
9:00 am - Religious School Model Seder
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

7 9 NISAN

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
6:30 pm - Israel Committee Meeting
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Executive Committee Meeting

8 10 NISAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
4:15-6:15 pm - Religious School (Grades 1-6)
6:00-8:00 pm - Religious School (Grade 7)
6:30 pm - Ritual Committee Meeting
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Education Committee Meeting

13 15 NISAN

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED
Pesach - Day 1
9:30 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
6:00 pm - Community Second Seder (at HERJC)
8:14 pm - Holiday Candlelighting

14 16 NISAN

ECC CLOSED - SPRING RECESS
OFFICE CLOSED
Pesach - Day 2
9:30 am - Passover Service
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

15 17 NISAN

ECC CLOSED - SPRING RECESS
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED
Pesach - Day 3
7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

20 22 NISAN

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED
Pesach - Day 8
9:30 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:23 pm - Holiday Ends

21 23 NISAN

ECC CLOSED - SPRING RECESS
9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Board of Directors Meeting

22 24 NISAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
4:15-6:15 pm - Religious School (Grades 1-6)
6:00-8:00 pm - Religious School (Grade 7)
6:30 pm - Rabbi Schlesinger's Talmud Class (In Person at HERJC)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - House Committee Meeting

27 29 NISAN

9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
9:00 am - Religious School (Building Blocks - Grade 6)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

28 30 NISAN

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

29 1 IYAR

Rosh Chodesh

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
4:15-6:15 pm - Religious School (Grades 1-6)
6:00-8:00 pm - Religious School (Grade 7)
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan



of Events

WEDNESDAY

2 4 NISAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

9 11 NISAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
8:45 am - ECC Burning of the Chametz
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

16 18 NISAN

ECC CLOSED - SPRING RECESS
Pesach - Day 4
7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

23 25 NISAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
8:30 am - ECC Storytime
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

30 2 IYAR

Yom HaZikaron
7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

THURSDAY

3 5 NISAN

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Sisterhood Board Meeting

10 12 NISAN

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan with Siyum and Breakfast
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

17 19 NISAN

ECC CLOSED - SPRING RECESS
Pesach - Day 5
7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

24 26 NISAN

Yom HaShoah
7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

FRIDAY

4 6 NISAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
9:30 am - ECC Whole School Shabbat
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
7:05 pm - Candlelighting

11 13 NISAN

ECC CLOSED - SPRING RECESS
7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
8:15 am - Burning of the Chametz
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
7:12 pm - Candlelighting

18 20 NISAN

ECC CLOSED - SPRING RECESS
Pesach - Day 6
7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
7:19 pm - Holiday Candlelighting

25 27 NISAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
7:27 pm - Candlelighting

SATURDAY

5 7 NISAN

PARSHAT VAYIKRA

9:30 am - Shabbat Service
8:05 pm - Havdalah

12 14 NISAN

PARASHAT TZAV

Erev Pesach - First Seder
9:30 am - Shabbat Service (Shabbat HaGadol)
8:13 pm - Havdalah

19 21 NISAN

PARASHAT PESACH

Pesach - Day 7
9:30 am - Passover Shabbat Service (Instrumental Shabbat)
8:21 pm - Havdalah

26 28 NISAN

PARASHAT SHMINI

Bar Mitzvah of Chase Link
9:30 am - Shabbat Service
8:30 pm - Havdalah





Harry Laufer Education Center



Early Childhood Center

CHERYL KARP

As we step into the new year, it's a wonderful time to reflect on the roles that family members, particularly grandparents, play in the lives of our youngest learners. From imparting wisdom to providing emotional support, grandparents bring invaluable gifts to the early childhood journey.

When I think back to my own childhood, some of the fondest memories I have are of the time I spent with my grandmother. Whether it was sitting together with a cup of tea, listening to her tell stories about her youth, or simply watching her craft amazing stuffed animals with such care and attention to detail, I learned more than I realized at the time: these experiences shaped who I am today.

Grandparents, with their unique life experiences and calm presence, offer something that parents cannot: the gift of time. Time to listen, time to nurture, and time to teach. It is through these unhurried, tender interactions that children often absorb essential life lessons that go beyond the classroom.

Grandparents offer a special kind of support for children, particularly when it comes to emotional development. Their unconditional love and patience can help children build resilience and confidence, and their guidance often provides an extra layer of security. I vividly remember how my grandmother would calm me down when I was upset, teaching me how to navigate my feelings with kindness toward myself.

The bond with a grandparent often gives children a safe space to express themselves knowing they are loved and supported without judgement. This emotional safety net helps children feel more secure in exploring the world around them, fostering both independence and empathy.

Beyond emotional support, grandparents bring a wealth of practical knowledge to early childhood education. From cooking recipes passed down through generations to teaching important life skills like tying shoes, planting a

garden, or fixing a broken toy, the lessons that grandparents impart are priceless.

One of my earliest memories is learning how to tie a fishing knot from my grandfather. I did not realize it at the time, but this simple task was a lesson in patience, problem-solving, and perseverance. These early skills shape children's ability to manage challenges, both big and small, and foster a sense of accomplishment and pride.

One of the most beautiful gifts I ever received from my grandparents was the opportunity to connect with my family's history. Through stories, traditions, photos, and shared experiences, my grandparents helped me to understand where I came from, giving me a sense of belonging and identity. Whether it was a story about their childhood, a family tradition, or a recipe handed down from generation to generation, these connections gave me an invaluable perspective on life.

I often think back to the stories my grandmother told me about growing up in a different time. These stories provided a glimpse into the past while teaching me lessons about kindness and family. Such connections are the building blocks of strong, positive relationships and a well-rounded education.

Grandparents can be an invaluable part of the educational process, whether through reading with children, teaching a new skill, or simply offering emotional support. As educators and parents, we can create more opportunities for grandparents to be actively involved in their grandchildren's lives.

As we look ahead, let us take a moment to celebrate the wonderful role grandparents play in the lives of our young learners. Their love, wisdom, and guidance enrich not only the lives of the children, but also the broader community in which we all live. In many ways, grandparents help lay the foundation for a child's future success, both academically and emotionally.

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Early Childhood Center Schedule

FEBRUARY

■ Friday, February 7

Whole School Shabbat 9:30 am

■ Wednesday, February 14

ECC Storytime 8:30 am

■ Monday-Friday, February 17-21

ECC CLOSED FOR WINTER RECESS

MARCH

■ Friday, March 7

Whole School Shabbat 9:30 am

■ Wednesday, March 19

ECC Storytime 8:30 am

APRIL

■ Friday, April 4

Whole School Shabbat 9:30 am

■ Friday-Monday, April 11-21

ECC CLOSED FOR SPRING RECESS

■ Wednesday, April 23

ECC Storytime 8:30 am

Traditionally the days of Purim are always days of merriment and fun!! We are getting ready for some silly days ...

■ Monday, March 10 Crazy Hair Day



■ Tuesday, March 19 פסח מצות

■ Wednesday, March 20 Pajama Day

■ Thursday, March 21 Crazy Hat Day



■ Friday March 22 Costume Day

THE BURNING OF THE CHAMETZ

■ Wednesday, April 9, 8:45 am before the start of school, outside by the ECC entrance

Traditionally, right before Passover, as we clean our homes, we search the house for all leavened products (*chametz*). Join us as we partake in this tradition and burn our chametz with Rabbi Schlesinger. Please bring a leavened product from home for us to burn.



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So, whether you have the privilege of seeing your grandparents regularly or simply have memories that hold a special place in your heart, take a moment to appreciate the immeasurable impact they have on your child's life. Let's continue to encourage and celebrate this special relationship, recognizing that grandparents are not just relatives; they are true partners in early childhood education. I, for one, am grateful and honored to have met so many wonderful grandparents throughout my years at HERJC!



Religious School



CHARI NACSON

This year, our 7th grade class (Kita Zayin) is being taught by a variety of teachers. The Rabbi is teaching Ethics, the Hazzan is covering B'nai preparation and *tefillah*, and our *Shinshinit* (Israeli gap year student) is teaching about modern Israel through games, music, videos, and projects. Then there is me.

I am teaching our students in their final year through experiences. This month, we are learning about the Holocaust. This topic has been dropped from many school curriculums, but I felt it was important to bring it back. With the rise of Holocaust denial, I wanted to ensure that before our students leave the safety of HERJC Religious School, they have the facts. Antisemitism is rearing its head in a more visible and dangerous way than it has in decades. While our children living on Long Island may not face the same level of exposure to it as those elsewhere, knowledge is power, and that's what I want to provide them with.

I am not an expert on this topic, so I decided the best way to approach this sensitive subject was by bringing in specialists. Our first expert, Stacey David, spoke with our students in early January. She recently completed the Living Links training course offered by the USC Shoah Foundation. She shared her grandfather's story, explaining Jewish life in Germany before and during the war through photos. She told them about his experiences, losing his home and family, being sent to the camps, and ultimately surviving.

The students were attentive and engaged, asking thoughtful questions. Stacey explained how she came to possess these photos, which she had never seen until after her grandfather passed away. She also showed recent family photos from a trip to Germany, bringing the story full circle.

We will have two more speakers to complete the series. One is from Blue Card, which provides financial assistance to Holocaust survivors and victims of Nazi persecution, showing our students how they can make a difference. Our final speaker will be Zelda Polofsky, a Jewish educator for 40 years and a Holocaust survivor. I am looking forward to our students having the opportunity to meet her, hear her story, and ask questions.

If you have a story to share – whether it's about immigration, conversion, survival, or another topic that could contribute to the education of our oldest students – please contact me. I would love to give our congregants the chance to tell their stories.

Youth Director



MYLES GREENBAUM

HERJC Youth had a great 2024 roster of activities ranging from "Minute to Win It" to an escape room, and I can't wait to continue meeting new members of this great congregation in 2025. At the Hanukkah Brunch, I was lucky enough to meet more families and learn more of what makes HERJC its own unique community. This year, 2025, will bring more fun programs to host, including a bowling night, a scavenger hunt, the Day of Service, and lots more. I'm looking forward to continuing our work here at HERJC and crafting more fun experiences to share. Our next event is Sports Night on Sunday, February 2. Please email me for more information or just to say hello at youthdir@herjc.org!

Youth Programs

■ Grades 5-7, Sundays 5:30-7:00 pm

February 2 (Sports Night), 23 (Scavenger Hunt);
March 9, 23; April 6, 27

■ Grades 8-12, Sundays 7:00-8:30 pm

February 2 (Sports Night), 23 (Scavenger Hunt);
March 9, 23; April 6, 27



Religious School Schedule

FEBRUARY

■ Sunday, February 2

Building Blocks through Grade 6 9:00 am-Noon

■ Tuesday, February 4

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm

Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

■ Sunday, February 9

Building Blocks through Grade 6 9:00 am-Noon

■ Tuesday, February 11

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm

Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

■ Sunday, February 9

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED

■ Tuesday, February 18

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED

■ Sunday, February 23

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED

■ Tuesday, February 25

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm

Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

MARCH

■ Sunday, March 2

Building Blocks through Grade 6 9:00 am-Noon

■ Tuesday, March 4

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm

Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

■ Saturday, March 8

Religious School Havdalah 6:35 pm

■ Sunday, March 9

Building Blocks through Grade 6 9:00 am-Noon

■ Tuesday, March 11

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm

Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

■ Sunday, March 16

Building Blocks through Grade 6 9:00 am-Noon

Purim Carnival 10:00 am

■ Tuesday, March 18

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm

Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

■ Sunday, March 23

Building Blocks through Grade 6 9:00 am-Noon

■ Tuesday, March 25

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm

Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

■ Sunday, March 30

Building Blocks through Grade 6 9:00 am-Noon

APRIL

■ Tuesday, April 1

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm

Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

■ Sunday, April 6

MODEL SEDER

Building Blocks through Grade 6 9:00 am-Noon

■ Tuesday, April 8

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm

Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

■ Sunday, April 13

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED

■ Tuesday, April 15

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED

■ Sunday, April 20

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED

■ Tuesday, April 22

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm

Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

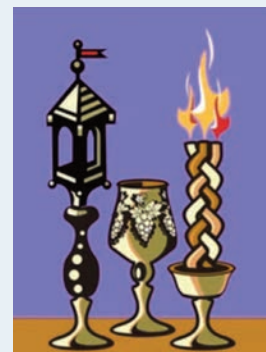
■ Sunday, April 27

Building Blocks through Grade 6 9:00 am-Noon

Religious School Havdalah

March 8, 6:35 pm

Join us as we say farewell
to Shabbat and welcome the
beginning of a new week.



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MINYAN HAS NO BOUNDARIES

Ivy A. Reilly

When my mother died, I thought I was prepared. I had planned the funeral in advance, coordinated the complicated shiva schedules for my family, ensured we had enough paper goods, and even ordered food in case no one sent any in. Those were all important details, but the moment I had to recite the Mourner's Kaddish during the shiva minyan, I was overcome with emotion. I had never learned to say Mourner's Kaddish. I was afraid to learn it because admitting I might need to know it in the future meant facing the reality of losing someone I loved. I sobbed and stumbled through Mourner's Kaddish, embarrassed that it was an important detail that I had overlooked.

Despite this early obstacle, I decided to honor my mother by continuing to say Mourner's Kaddish at daily minyan. Several months in, minyan has become a meaningful part of my everyday life. I attend twice a day; not just once. On many days, there are more women at minyan than men, as most of the current mourners are women, and on most days, there would be no minyan without the women who attend regularly. I had not considered that this was noteworthy, since HERJC welcomes women to actively participate in all capacities. However, upon reflection about my own past, I realize how privileged I am now to be able to say Kaddish for my mother as part of a minyan. When I was a child in an Orthodox shul, that opportunity would not have been available.

The pandemic required religion to adapt to meet people where they are, and HERJC is one of many synagogues that live stream most services. I am grateful for the flexibility that allows me to participate from anywhere. Whether I am driving my kids to school in the morning, attending a PTA meeting or a soccer game, or waiting in the airport for a flight, I find ways to honor my mother's memory and say Mourner's Kaddish for her wherever and whenever I can. I didn't realize that doing this was something special, but my mom was special, and she deserves my making every effort I can to honor her memory and elevate her soul in this way. I realized that, for me, minyan has no boundaries, just like a mother's love.

I spoke with several HERJC members about their Jewish ritual journeys. Carol Rubinstein shared how she was not permitted to say Kaddish for her loved ones until there was no one else left to do so. Others described their experiences in services when women's participation was met with derogatory remarks, even after HERJC's customs were modified to offer opportunities for everyone to take part in religious life. Even my father had serious reservations about women being on the bima, but he came to understand the importance of inclusion when he started experiencing the beauty in it.

In addition to being one of several women who regularly attend minyan, I am impressed to see women leading services, reading Torah and leading Torah studies. Hazzan Zakarin was the first of several people to offer to help me refresh my Hebrew and to teach me how to read trope. Rabbi Schlesinger and his wife, Juliana, have been very supportive throughout the mourning process in many other ways, including giving me the chance to do a meaningful D'var Torah during Rabbi's absence. I am grateful to everyone who has offered to assist me in my journey or who asked me to fulfill specific tasks that would heighten my connection to HERJC and to Judaism.

I am told that a shift in Jewish culture at HERJC has been in motion since the 1990s, when women were first permitted to be counted in the HERJC minyan. This came about 20 years after the Committee on Jewish Law and Standards (CJLS) passed a takkanah (law) allowing women to count in a minyan equally with men, and adopted proposals that equalized men and women in all areas of ritual, including serving as prayer leaders. I have come to appreciate the changes at HERJC, even if I was not a member when the transformation took shape. I am grateful every day that I have minyan to go to, and I am appreciative of all the people who show up to minyan, allowing me the opportunity to recite Mourner's Kaddish. It is this community that removes obstacles to meaningful spirituality, helping me to heal.

If you find yourself in a similar situation, whether it is because of a death in your family, a major life event, or just a really bad day, minyan may offer a place of solace and peace for you, too. There is a time for being solemn and a time for laughter, both of which you will see at minyan. Why I continue to attend has to do with the people at minyan who get it right. It's a nice way to start my day and a nice way to remind me to slow down at night and to take time to appreciate what we have. I hope to see you there.





Chanukah Celebrations!



ANNOUNCING NEW KIDDUSH OPPORTUNITIES

We love Kiddush! We love bagels, cakes, fruit, and more! HERJC has been offering Bagel Boss food for Kiddush for quite some time now. However, in our continuing efforts to provide people with variety, as well as economize when we can, we are changing up our Kiddush structure and are excited to share it here first!

When someone sponsors, or there is a simcha, we will continue with Bagel Boss foods. The sponsorship cost is \$480. The sponsor(s) have the option to choose add-ons to add variety to their Kiddush. These options include juice,

hummus, chips, lox, and veggies. On alternate weeks, we will be having different foods and spreads from other places. Most interestingly, we are going to try having Cholent Shabbat about once a month. Cholent is a savory stew-like dish for Shabbat that slow-cooks overnight and is made from potatoes, beans, barley and spices. It can include meat, or eggs - there are lots of varieties. Our first Cholent Shabbat will be February 8th!

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The Kiddush Committee, chaired by Stefanie Atiyas, is looking for volunteers who would like to help on Friday afternoon to help prepare the cholent. Please reach out to the office if you are interested.



Personals and Donations

Personals

Mazal Tov!

B'nai Mitzvah

Amy and Frank Pomponio as their son, Ryan became a Bar Mitzvah.
Suzanne and Matthew Levy as their son, Mason becomes a Bar Mitzvah.
Jamie and Douglas Link as their son, Chase becomes a Bar Mitzvah.

Births

Vicki Cordova on the birth of her granddaughter, Kylie Rose.

Special Wedding Anniversaries

• FEBRUARY

Joan and Martin Rosen (70)
Rita and Lawrence Gottlieb (65)

• MARCH

Marni and Isaac Dana (35)
Barbara and Kenneth Rappaport (50)
• APRIL
Rachel and Harvey Schneider (30)

Special Birthdays

• FEBRUARY

Kathy Estrin
Susan Julien-Levitt
Ellen Schieren

• MARCH

David Beldner	Brandon Liebowitz
Scott Franklin	Sharon Nash
Steven Herbst	Mitchell Richter
Melissa Kotcher	Alex Rusinowitz
Michael Krasne	Joel Zeitlin
Jeffrey Langendorff	

• APRIL

Kenneth Austin	Jerry Hauser
Joshua Baum	Phyllis Katz
Stanley Cohen	Rachel Liebowitz
Stuart Doloboff	Alan Markowitz
Jason Gang	Meryle Samuels
Leslie Gang	

And ...

Liz and Harold Kislik on the marriage of their son, David to Sue Rodgers.
Nanci-sue and Eric Rosenthal on the engagement of their son, Brandon to Sarah Altman.

Condolences

Marcia Goldberg on the loss of her mother, Lenore Greenberg.
Myles Greenbaum on the loss of his grandmother, Mona.
Ariel Grunberg on the loss of her sister, Rachel.
Barbara Jacobs on the loss of her husband, Everett Jacobs.
Carol Skolnick on the loss of her brother, Robert Alan Jaffe.
Moshe Zakarin on the loss of his father, Bernard.

Welcome New Members

(October 2024-January 2025)

Carolyn Adler and Jose Valle
Daniel Altman
Rocio and Daniel Gal-Osher
Kareene Harari
Michelle and Jeremy Musella
Courtney Meltzer-Baum and Craig Meltzer
Rachel and Louis Siegel

Funds

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Chesed Fund

Anita and Sy Zaret in memory of Jerry Wexler.

Education Fund

Pamela Weiss Berger in honor of Lauren Berger Franklin.
Lisa and Ed Cohen in honor of Helaine and Ron Ronen's anniversary.
Lisa and Ed Cohen in honor of Daniel Rolnick being our Chatan Beresheit on Simchat Torah.
Lisa and Ed Cohen in honor of Amy Pomponio being our Kallat Torah on Simchat Torah.
Norman Doctor in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Max, son of Lisa and Stu Stein.
Terri and Steven Gold in honor of the marriage of David, son of Liz and Harold Kislik to Sue Rodgers.
Sandra and Marvin Greenberg in honor of Beverly Wachtel leading the Sweets in the Sukkah program.
Madeline and Keith Harrow in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Ryan Pomponio.
Madeline and Keith Harrow in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Max, son of Lisa and Stu Stein.
Heidi and Steven Kreit in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Alex, son of Rebecca and Joshua Baum.
Carol Rubinstein in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Belle Avery, granddaughter of Gail and Mel Weinstein.
Joseph Brofsky in memory of his mother Ruth.
Laurie Brofsky in memory of her grandfather, Edward Orgel.
Lisa and Ed Cohen in memory of Rachel Grunberg.
Marilyn and Stanley Cohen in memory of Jacqueline "Jackie" Herrnson.

Elyse Coleman in memory of her father, Herbert Eisenberg, her grandfather, Samuel Eisenberg and her mother-in-law, Ruth.
Norman Doctor in memory of his sister, Linda Fisch.

Terri and Steven Gold in memory of Jacqueline Herrnson.

Terri and Steven Gold in memory of Robert Alan Jaffe.

Amy and Udi Moritz in memory of Robert Alan Jaffe.

In Memory of Lenore Greenberg

Lisa and Ed Cohen
Norman Doctor
Hedda and Jeffrey Feigenblatt
Pam and Dan Gerstman
Terri and Steven Gold and the Lobel Family
Lisa and Michael Greenberg
Judy and Steven Herbst

In Memory of Rachel Grunberg

Norman Doctor
Terri and Steven Gold

In Memory of Everett Jacobs

Marnie, Mitchel, Jordana and Skyler Feffer
Liz and Mitch Podgorsky
Barbara and Joe Sklar

Hazzan's Music Fund

Shelley and Arthur Debin in appreciation of Hazzan Zakarin's help with their grandson Tyler Keith's music.
Irene and Bruce Drantch in honor of the marriage of David, son of Liz and Harold Kislik to Sue Rogers.
Jody and Richard Grobman in appreciation of Hazzan Zakarin unveiling service for Frank Grobman.
The Harrows in honor of Hazzan's birthday.
Debra and Jeff Langendorff in appreciation of their honors and beautiful High Holiday services.
Marsha and Larry Miller in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Max, son of Lisa and Stu Stein.
Barbara and Ken Rappaport in appreciation of Hazzan Zakarin's unveiling service.
Arthur Riegel in honor of Hazzan's 40th birthday.
Carol Rubinstein in honor of the marriage of David, son of Liz and Harold Kislik to Sue Rogers.
Carol Rubinstein in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Max, son of Lisa and Stu Stein.
Judy and Steven Herbst in memory of Robert Jaffe.
Lisa and Richard Wainer in memory of Richard's father, Ramon.

In Memory of Bernard Zakarin

Marty Abrams
Barry Borodkin
Lisa and Ed Cohen
Norman Doctor
Doris and Yosef Dlugacz
Irene and Bruce Drantch
Stacey and Jaime Ezratty
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Gail and Mel Weinstein
Anita and Sy Zaret

Kiddush Fund

Mark Ryvkin in memory of Lev Ryvkin, Maissa Krymon and Bella Yakubovich.

Early Childhood Center Fund

Rebecca and Roman Kizhner with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of Rebecca's mother, Robin Mintz.
Lori Lin in appreciation of her daughter, Stevi Curcio for her dedication to the HERJC ECC.
Lisa and Richard Wainer in appreciation of Cheryl Karp.
Carol Rubinstein in memory of Jackie Herrnson.

Prayer Book Fund

Denise and Bob Sher in memory of Lenore Greenberg.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Barry Borodkin in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Max, son of Lisa and Stu Stein.
Marni and Isaac Dana in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger officiating at the naming of twins Halle and Samantha Ellman.



Irene and Bruce Drantch on the Bar Mitzvah of Max, son of Lisa and Stu Stein.

Hildy and Paul Feldman in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger—thank you for adding us to your prayers.

Leah and Edward Freeberg in appreciation of the Lone Soldier program.

Debra and Jeff Langendorff in honor of the naming of Zoey Taylor Cooper, granddaughter of Barbara and Paul Cooper.

Debra and Jeff Langendorff in appreciation of their honors and beautiful High Holiday services.

Marsha and Larry Miller in honor of the marriage of David, son of Liz and Harold Kislik to Sue Rodgers.

Sharon and Ron Nash with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of Robin Mintz.

Nora and Jack Skiba in honor of the marriage of David Kislik to Sue Rodgers.

Nora and Jack Skiba in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Max, son of Lisa and Stu Stein.

Lisa and Richard Wainer in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger.

Marilyn Cohen in memory of her grandmother, Sylvia Breen.

Rita Doneger in memory of her husband, Henry.

Irene and Bruce Drantch in memory of Robert Alan Jaffe.

Sharon and Sheldon Gross in memory of Sharon's mother, Marion Barocas Calderon.

Sheldon Gross in memory of his father, George.

Aleta and Ariel Grunberg in memory of Bernard Zakarin.

Iris and Alan Jacobs in memory of Robert Alan Jaffe.

Debra and Jeff Langendorff in memory of Mickey Wainer.

Cheryl and Jeff Strom in memory of Jacqueline Herronson.

Lisa and Richard Wainer in memory of Richard's father, Ramon.

In Memory of Lenore Greenberg

Valerie and Abbey Doneger
Anita Friedman
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Madeline and Keith Harrow
Jane and Marty Lesser
Marsha and Larry Miller
Sharon and Ron Nash
Ellen and George Schieren
Nora and Jack Skiba
Roberta and Stuart Sugarman

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Prina and Lewis Knopf in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Max, son of Lisa and Stu Stein.

Audrey and Elliott Polinsky in honor of the marriage of David, son of Liz and Harold Kislik to Sue Rodgers.

Sonia Elisha and Sol Shimski in honor of Sandra and Marvin Greenberg's anniversary.

The Udler Family in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Max, son of Lisa and Stu Stein.

Pearl Aarons in memory of her husband, Samuel.

Phyllis Acker in memory of her brother, Marvin Levins.

Sandy Acker in memory of his father, Abraham.

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Andrew Braun in memory of his father, Lewis.

Ilene Browner in memory of her grandfather, Charles Rosenblatt.

Marilyn Cohen in memory of her father, Samuel Greenstein.

Stanley Cohen in memory of his mother, Sherry.

Shelley Debin in memory of her father, William Ritholtz and her brother, Jeffrey Ritholtz.

Alyce Diamond in memory of her father, Lois Landesman.

Shari Doloboff in memory of her father, Stanley Marcus.

Lisa Drillich in memory of her father, Harvey Grapek.

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Eleanor Feingold in memory of her father, Abraham Bedar and her mother-in-law, Bertha.

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Sanford Feldman in memory of his father, Max.

Susan Fishler in memory of her father, Herbert Roth.

George Forrest in memory of his father, Lawrence.

Sherry Friedman in memory of her father, Louis Taishoff.

Elaine Garver in memory of her father, Barnett Baron.

Sharon Golden in memory of her husband, Michael.

Larry Gottlieb in memory of his mother, Mildred.

Rita Gottlieb in memory of her sister, Pearl Lipton.

Sandra and Marvin Greenberg in memory of their grandfathers, David Sherman and Abraham Weisman.

Sandra and Marvin Greenberg in memory of Lillian Greenberg and Sandra's parents, Helen and Ely Benin.

Jody and Richard Grobman in memory of Frank Grobman.

Aleta Grunberg in memory of her father, Max Schwartz.

Ariel Grunberg in memory of his mother, Fanny.

Sylvia Gutenplan in memory of her mother and father-in-law, Frieda and Nathan.

Jerry Hauser in memory of his father, Samuel.

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Lois Kemp in memory of her grandmother, Berdie Kaufman.

Martin Klein in memory of his uncle, Nathan.

Lewis Knopf in memory of his mother, Anne.

Mark Kurot in memory of his father, Lawrence and his aunt and uncle, Adele and George Tate.

Jeffrey Levitt in memory of his father, Sidney.

Paul Levitt in memory of his father, Philip.

Sara and Ted Liebowitz in memory of Rebecca Radusky.

Karen Lubitz in memory of her father, Stanley Zimmer.

Geoffrey Lurie in memory of his brother, Leon.

Alan Markowitz in memory of his sister, Violet Davis.

Myra Markowitz in memory of her father, Solomon Dobin.

Stuart Markowitz in memory of his grandfather, Solomon Dobin.

Tova Markowitz in memory of her grandmother, Hilda Chinitz and her aunt, Gail Serman.

Arline Matza in memory of her father, Tilton Schwartz.

Mitchell Matza in memory of his mother, Lillian.

Larry Miller in memory of his father, Martin.

Judy Mintz in memory of her father, Bernard Schoengold.

Robin Mintz in memory of her father, Sheldon Prager.

Ehud Moritz in memory of his mother, Carmela.

Ronald Nash in memory of his mother, Charlotte.

Sharon Nash in memory of her parents, Pearl and Morris Rosenblatt.

Amy Neidle in memory of her father, Paul Sedrish.

Ruth Nodiff in memory of her father, Oscar Abrin and her sister-in-law, Gladys Filmus.

Judith Nysenholz in memory of her mother, Betty Goldfinger.

Allen Ostroff in memory of his mother, Sally.

Mitchell Podgorsky in memory of his parents, Rosalyn and Julian.

Audrey and Elliott Polinsky in memory of Lenore Greenberg.

Barbara Rappaport in memory of her grandmother, Shirley Stern.

Kenneth Rappaport in memory of his mother, Ruth.

Gary Renick in memory of his mother, Harriet Renick.

Sherry Rivera in memory of her parents, Ray and Rubin Steinberg.

Sydell Rothafel in memory of her mother, Rose Meyer.

Carol Rubinstein in memory of her sister, Judith Levine.

Louis Rusinowitz in memory of his sister, Julia Leibman.

Donald Schaeffer in memory of his father, Emanuel.

Joan Schaeffer in memory of her mother, Florence Behr.

Ellen Schieren in memory of her father, Herman Commike and her grandmother, Anna Commike.

David Schott in memory of his mother, Lucille and his grandfather, David.

Gary Sebold in memory of his mother, Mildred and his mother-in-law, Frieda Wolk.

Phyllis and Arnold Seltzer in memory of Lenore Greenberg.

Denise Sher in memory of her mother, Ruth Harvey, her grandmother, Francis Lebovitz and her cousin, Janice Berkowitz.

Robert Sher in memory of his father, Arnold.

Robert Shiffman in memory of his mother, Harriette and his great grandfather, Henry Jaskol.

Barbara Silverman in memory of her mother, Anna Brand.

Barry Skolnick in memory of his grandmother, Florence Brodney.

Lester Stein in memory of his mother, Bernice.

Lisa Stein in memory of Sheila Mason.

Cheryl and Jeff Strom in memory of Burt Schneck.

Roberta Sugarman in memory of her father, David Bender and her brother, Howard Bender.

Carole Tolkin in memory of her father, Abraham Lehrer.

Beverly and Jerry Wachtel in memory of Jerry's parents, Vivian and Herbert and Jerry's brother, Clifford.

Marjorie Wecksell in memory of her mother, Ruth Kravitz.

Jane Weingrad in memory of her mother, Ruth Joffe.

Howard Weisbrod in memory of his sister, Eydie.

Gail Weinstein in memory of her mother, Ada Geiver.

Melvin Weinstein in memory of his father, Louis.

Samuel Yedid in memory of his parents, Evette and Albert and his nephew, Michael.



Yahrzeits

The Yahrzeit of the following beloved relatives of our members which have been observed in January and will be observed from February through April.

Note: It was brought to our attention that the Yahrzeit dates used in the Nov/Dec 2024 issue of Hakol were from the previous year (Nov/Dec 2023). We apologize for the misprint.

1/1 - 1 Tevet

Herbert Kristeller

1/2 - 2 Tevet

Esther Weisner
Jacob Levine
Claire Frankel
Sarah Ain Morenstein

1/3 - 3 Tevet

Walter Green
Sidney Levitt
Howard Bender
Roslyn Zimmerman

1/4 - 4 Tevet

Moe Trompeter
Joanne Zweben
Myrna Turkel

1/5 - 5 Tevet

Pearl Kalikow
Lorraine Heyer
Anne Knopf
Ruth Brofsky

1/6 - 6 Tevet

Dorothy Alt
Abraham Borodkin
Harold Mechlin
Florence Brodney
Morris Rosenblatt
Ray Steinberg
Edith Greenberger

1/7 - 7 Tevet

Arnold Sher
Edward Orgel
Lenore Ostroff

1/8 - 8 Tevet

Nathan Klein
Ruth Cohen-Barash
Louis Landesman
Arnold Kemp

1/9 - 9 Tevet

Samuel Weiss
Solomon Barouch
Ira Zapolsky

1/10 - 10 Tevet

Rubin Steinberg

1/11 - 11 Tevet

William Ritholtz
Rose Freda Olin
Sara Fisher
Florence Behr
Edward Paster

1/12 - 12 Tevet

Arlene Weiler
Leon Rosen
Phyllis Lenkofsky

1/13 - 13 Tevet

Frieda Gutenplan
David Bender

1/14 - 14 Tevet

Selma Silverman
Clifford Wachtel
Sinaj Weinreich
Gail Serman

1/15 - 15 Tevet

Max Schwartz
Barney Kaminsky

1/17 - 17 Tevet

Herb Moelis

1/18 - 18 Tevet

Artie Mintz
Bernice Stein

1/19 - 19 Tevet

Nathan Gutenplan

1/20 - 20 Tevet

Herman Goldberg
Rabbi Stanley Platek
Yakub Laufer

1/21 - 21 Tevet

Philip Barsky

1/22 - 22 Tevet

Steven Knobel
Clara Farberman
Syd Brown
Leon Kornbluth

1/23 - 23 Tevet

Isidore Fader
Louis Kalka
Carol Platzker
Carla Siegenfeld

1/24 - 24 Tevet

Linda Fisch
Constance Roth
Rose Weilgus
Bernard Sunshine
Mark Seid

1/25 - 25 Tevet

Seyma Dachowitz
Julius Alpert
Sylvia Levy

1/26 - 26 Tevet

Gertrude Rosenfeld
Sydell Rubinger
Nathan Spritzer
Lillian Levitt
Sylvia Sonenthal
Lyndon Bender
Helene Sterkin
Judith Fisher

1/27 - 27 Tevet

Sophie Leven
Sylvia Mintz Greenstein
Nathan Wallshein

1/28 - 28 Tevet

Joan Baum
Sidney Herbst
Martin Strom

1/29 - 29 Tevet

Bessie Goldberg
Sally Berman
Ruth Green
Sol Grobman
Herbert Whiton
Herbert Lord

1/30 - 1 Shevat

Ronald Schuman
Alex P. Gottlieb
Michael Weiner

1/31 - 2 Shevat

Sam Anstendig
Melvin Hauser

2/1 - 3 Shevat

Sylvia Feffer
Libby Berkowitz
Martin Sass

2/2 - 4 Shevat

Annette Geller
Sylvia Sugarman

2/3 - 5 Shevat

Jules Kotcher
Samuel Levine
Philip King
Nathan Wolk

2/4 - 6 Shevat

Harold Grill

2/5 - 7 Shevat

Max Lassinger

2/6 - 8 Shevat

Dr. Al G. Rosenblum
Esther Kalan

2/7 - 9 Shevat

Dorothy Breen
Marvin Siegenfeld
Theda Okun
Frances Cohen

2/8 - 10 Shevat

Meyer J. Berman
Ida Kaufman
Abraham Harrow

2/9 - 11 Shevat

Anna Pasternack
Helen Commike

2/10 - 12 Shevat

Michael Ain
Nathan Geller
Steven Brass

2/12 - 14 Shevat

David Coleman
Irving Ostroff
Eliezer Dlugacz
Gertrude Ross

2/13 - 15 Shevat

Samuel L. Podietz
Jack Schmier
Rudy Rosenfeld

2/14 - 16 Shevat

Stanley Nelson
Joseph Kalikow
Mildred Mast

2/15 - 17 Shevat

Benjamin Isaacson

2/16 - 18 Shevat

Joseph Berkowitz
Billie Saltsberg
Louis Senter
Benjamin Isaacson

2/17 - 19 Shevat

Bette Nieman
Irving L. Greenbaum

2/18 - 20 Shevat

Beatrice Silver

2/19 - 21 Shevat

Morris Cohen
Louis Rubinstein

2/20 - 22 Shevat

Charlotte Partman
Steven Suffin
Jason Dobin
Bernard Cohen
Mark Solomon

2/21 - 23 Shevat

Dorothy Platt
Claire White

2/23 - 25 Shevat

Hilda Krasne

2/24 - 26 Shevat

Annie Schaeffer

2/25 - 27 Shevat

Joan Kaufman
Paul Goldberg

2/26 - 28 Shevat

Lawrence Traub

2/27 - 29 Shevat

Malvina Kizhner
Herman Moses
Mary Garay
Max Baker

2/28 - 30 Shevat

Naftale Hertz
Joseph Paster
Ethel Wiederspiel
Seymour Siegal

3/1 - 1 Adar

Larry Kirschenbaum
Sylvia Goldin
Barbara Gross

3/2 - 2 Adar

Gertrude Taishoff

3/3 - 3 Adar

Sidney Sparer
Nancy Strong
Harriette Ehrlich
Doris Kipilman
Chaya Dlugacz

3/4 - 4 Adar

Sophie Schusterman
Helene Bernstein
Beatrice Jacobs



Yahrzeits

3/5 – 5 Adar

Bruce Behr
Paul Burton
Estelle Ezratty
Frank Grobman
Bernice Sklar
Milton Paulenoff
Richard Matthew Schuman

3/6 – 6 Adar

Mary Jempol
Esther Tamaroff
Jerome Rusinowitz
Lillian Skolnick
Abraham Feffer

3/7 – 7 Adar

Alvin Kahn
Lila Rehns
Irving Chinitz
Herman Cowen

3/8 – 8 Adar

Claire Fader
Zvi Grunberg
Sylvia Wilk
Robert Gross
Belle Forrest

3/9 – 9 Adar

Joyce Landau
Elisa Jerusalem
Joseph Liebowitz
Bernard Hoorwitz
Abraham Rappaport
Gilbert Austein
Sydney March
Max Gaslow
Evelyn Deninno

3/10 – 10 Adar

Louise Abrams
Beatrice Sklamberg
David Stern
Mark Weiner

3/11 – 11 Adar

Louis Doctor

3/12 – 12 Adar

Estelle Berzansky

3/13 – 13 Adar

Francine Lee Taishoff
Harry Polonsky
Mr. Joel Berman

3/14 – 14 Adar

Ruth Abrams
Harry Siegelberg
Toby Levine
Mildred Pauker Lamle
Molly Gaslow
Aaron Knopf
Bessie Sass

3/15 – 15 Adar

Edith Strom
Milton Rubinstein
Elissa DeAlto
Lenore Beaver

3/16 – 16 Adar

Ronna Heller
Basil Pollitt
Arthur Rothafel
Dr. Jay S. Burton
Irving Rosen

3/17 – 17 Adar

Walter Bieber
Samuel Breen
Ann Sebold
Harry Laufer
Arnold Miller

3/18 – 18 Adar

Bernice Blank
Joseph Doctor
Asher Schorr
Genia Jarczower
Maika Grobman

3/19 – 19 Adar

Carl L. Slatkin
Roger Steven Feingold
Jacob Green
Miriam Kessin
Sylvia Eisman Jaffe
Jacob Lamon

3/20 – 20 Adar

Eva Friedman
Myron Kaufman

3/21 – 21 Adar

Irving Steinman
Solomon Jaffe
Morton Perlstein
David Fischer
Marshall Wachs

3/22 – 22 Adar

Beatrice Rosenblum
Jacob Alweiss
Bruce Garver
Robert David Olin
Adeline Weiner

3/23 – 23 Adar

Lillian Lesser
Arthur Brett Silverman
Lydia Stier

3/25 – 25 Adar

Jim Belmont
Marlene March
Dorothy Rothafel
Sam Stein

3/26 – 26 Adar

Ilene Sarah Abrams
Helen Artzt
Evelyn Drillich
Barbara Braun
Jaime Jerushalmi

3/27 – 27 Adar

Fannie Rose
Richard Friedman
Jacob Levy
Rachel Siegel

3/28 – 28 Adar

Naomi Doctor
Sandra Berr

3/29 – 29 Adar

Cell Zuckerman
Mortimer Bernstein
Shirley King Green
Michael Krull
Nora Klein

3/30 – 1 Nisan

Bonnie Katz
Caroline Katz
Howard Platzker

3/31 – 2 Nisan

Benet Doloboff

4/1 – 3 Nisan

Minnie Sklarsky
Edward Wiederspiel
Laura O. Greenbaum
Lillian Sandler
Tessie Sass

4/2 – 4 Nisan

Robert Spielman
Jaime Radusky
Hyman Graber
Michael Liebman

4/3 – 5 Nisan

Sally Sparer
Ruth Silver
Benjamin Rose
Herman Zuckerman

4/4 – 6 Nisan

Rita Winograd
Gerda Langendorff
Jacqueline Nelson
Dr. Max Weiner

4/5 – 7 Nisan

Allan Marrus
Anna Reikes Wilk

4/6 – 8 Nisan

Samuel Rubinger
David Keith
Fanny Cassoff

4/7 – 9 Nisan

Bernard Harold Mintz
Sidney Debin
Sol Feinberg

4/8 – 10 Nisan

Solomon Artzt
Phyllis E. Julien

4/9 – 11 Nisan

Oscar L. Goldstein

4/10 – 12 Nisan

Helen Debin
Gussie Steinberg

4/11 – 13 Nisan

Dena Belmont
Tillie Levitt
Irene Schaeffer

4/12 – 14 Nisan

Max Schwartz
Abraham Altus
Norman L. Schwartz
Mary Elsenberg

4/13 – 15 Nisan

Donald Finkelstein
Linda Sacks
Marvin Polinsky
Belle Toor

4/14 – 16 Nisan

Leonard Frank
Seymour Drantch
Max Silverman

4/15 – 17 Nisan

Connie Skolnick
Edward "Terry" Davison
Sayde Fener
James J. Kandel
Harvey Meyer
Edna Friedman Heller

4/17 – 19 Nisan

Joseph Skiba
Bruce Feinberg

4/18 – 20 Nisan

Oscar Margolis
Sylvia Klein Olkin

4/19 – 21 Nisan

Emanuel Rubinger

4/20 – 22 Nisan

Carol Feldman
Charles Aronowitz
Jacob Bruh

4/21 – 23 Nisan

Martin Kaufman
Nathan Silver
David Jablon
Walter Herzberg

4/22 – 24 Nisan

Frances Hele Trompeter
Jean Leader Pedowitz
Frances Skolnick
May Schneider
Raffelson
Irwin Heit

4/23 – 25 Nisan

Sammy Beno
Marvin Schiffman
Esther Barashick
Jay Samuels
Hyman Gold

4/24 – 26 Nisan

Saul Gevarter
Isaac Kirschenbaum
Rose Ginsberg
Rita Price

4/25 – 27 Nisan

Harriet Golden
Linda Solomon

4/26 – 28 Nisan

Irving Brofsky

4/27 – 29 Nisan

Arnold Garay
Lester Steinberg
Murray Mintz

4/28 – 30 Nisan

Alan Estrin
Lillian Kalikow
Rosenzweig

4/29 – 1 Iyar

Philip Berzansky

4/30 – 2 Iyar

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