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Notes from the Hazzan



HAZZAN BONNIE ZAKARIN

The Story and Sound of Birkat Hamazon: A Journey Through Time and Tradition

Among the most familiar and beloved Jewish prayers, *Birkat Hamazon*—Grace After Meals, has a long and rich history that blends biblical roots, rabbinic development, and a rich musical tradition.

The origin of *Birkat Hamazon* lies in the Torah itself. In Deuteronomy 8:10, we read: “And you shall eat and be satisfied and bless the Lord your God for the good land that God has given you.” From this verse, our sages understood that giving thanks after a meal is not only a spiritual practice: it’s a mitzvah from the Torah. Over time, the rabbis codified a series of four blessings: thanking God for sustenance, for the Land of Israel, for Jerusalem, and finally, for God’s goodness and compassion. Later, additional insertions—such as those for Shabbat, holidays, or life events—were added to reflect the rhythm of Jewish life.

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HERJC Choir - Hazzan Zakarin's 10th Anniversary Concert



Cantors Assembly Hazzanim - Hazzan Zakarin's 10th Anniversary Concert



The Rabbi's Remarks



RABBI MICHEL SCHLESINGER

Receiving the Torah Anew: A Gift We Accept Again and Again

Shavuot is often called **Zman Matan Torateinu**, the time of the giving of our Torah. On that fateful day at Mount Sinai, God revealed the Divine will to our ancestors, binding us forever in an eternal covenant. But while the Torah was **given** at a specific time and place, the **receiving** of the Torah is an ongoing process—one that continues every time we

choose to bring God into our lives.

This idea is beautifully reflected in the blessings we recite before and after reading from the Torah. We don't say "**asher natan**," "who gave the Torah," in the past tense. Instead, we say "**noten haTorah**," "who gives the Torah," in the present tense. Why? Because each time we engage with the Torah, each time we stand in community and hear its words, we are not just recalling a distant event; we are experiencing Revelation all over again. The giving of the Torah is not a one-time occurrence. It happens whenever we open ourselves to its wisdom and allow it to shape our actions, our values, and our relationships.

The Midrash teaches that the voice of God at Sinai did not echo (Shemot Rabbah 28:6). Why? Because an echo suggests that the sound diminishes over time. But God's voice, the voice of Torah, does not fade—it reverberates throughout the generations, ready to be heard and accepted by anyone willing to listen. Each time we study, pray, or engage with our community, we open ourselves to that voice once again.

Accepting the Torah through Our Actions

The act of receiving the Torah is not limited to moments of study or worship. We receive the Torah through the choices we make, the kindness we extend, and the values we embody. Each time we contribute our knowledge, our time, and our financial resources to strengthen our congregation, we affirm our covenant and ensure that the voice of Torah continues to resonate.

Pirkei Avot (1:2) teaches that the world stands on three pillars: **Torah, Avodah**, and **Gemilut Chasadim**: study, worship, and acts of loving-kindness. Our involvement in the life of HERJC reflects these pillars in meaningful ways:

- **Torah**: From the joyful beginnings in our **Early Childhood Center (ECC)**, where our youngest children sing about Shabbat and learn the values of kindness and community, to the curiosity and growth fostered in our **Religious School**, where students develop a love for Jewish tradition and knowledge. And for those seeking deeper learning, our **Adult Education** programs offer thought-provoking classes that nourish the soul and engage the mind.
- **Avodah**: We feel God's presence through worship, whether it's in the quiet moments of reflection during our **daily minyan**, in the warmth of community at our **monthly**

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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

Celebration and sadness, beginnings and endings, ups and downs. Jewish life and Jewish history are full of all of these. As this issue of Hakol is reaching your homes we will be commemorating and celebrating Israel, particularly the weekend of May 2-3. The Israeli holidays start with Yom HaZikaron, Israel's Memorial Day leading directly into Yom Ha'atzmaut, Israel's Independence Day. We at HERJC will take the opportunity during this significant weekend dedicated to

Israel to come together as a community. I am certain that I am not alone saying that, since October 7th, it can be hard to focus on the 'celebrate' Israel mode, but at the same time we absolutely must herald her bravery and her very existence, even while the entire Jewish people is profoundly saddened that fifty-nine hostages remain in Gaza. Somehow, as we have done before we will find a way to feel sadness and joy simultaneously.

This season we will also enjoy the warmer weather, and the opportunities that come with being outside more, seeing our neighbors, and eventually getting to the beach! At the same time our school year will come to an end and we will say goodbye (although hopefully not a permanent goodbye) to our graduating students. It has truly been a pleasure watching both the Early Childhood Center students and the Religious School students this year. I had the occasion to be in the Chapel recently during an ECC Shabbat on a Friday and as the teachers and students were filing in one of the students decided to ask me a whole bunch of questions; simple questions that enthrall a three year old and it really made my week. To watch all of our children embrace their Judaism and engage with all of us in the building is so much fun! This year I also had the pleasure to witness many of the Kitah Zayin (7th grade) programs as they meet in the conference room across from the main office. I heard singing, I saw them learning and playing games with Tamar, our *shinshinit* from Israel and just talking with Chari, the clergy and each other. I feel very fortunate to have been part of these experiences; it is a tremendous reminder of how important the work being done at HERJC is. Knowing that our bright, beautiful and engaging Jewish future is right here warms my heart more than I can express. I offer a big Mazel Tov and Kol HaKavod to Cheryl Karp who is on the verge of completing yet another super successful year of preschool and to Chari Nacson, who is about to complete a phenomenally successful first year as our Religious School Director.

We will celebrate this remarkable community on May 22nd right here at the HERJC Gala and I hope you will make every effort to attend, to place an ad and to buy raffle tickets. HERJC depends on your generous support at the Gala to continue doing this holy work! And as we get closer to summer I am overjoyed to share that again we will have outdoor Shabbat experiences for everyone to enjoy together. Shabbat at the Park will take place on Friday, July 25th at Memorial Park, on the grounds of the Village of East Rockaway office building and then we will have Shabbat on the beach on Friday, August 15th in Long Beach again. Both of these nights will include a Kabbalat Shabbat service and dinner. I really hope to see everyone there! In the meantime I will see you at HERJC and please feel free to reach out by phone or email if you have any questions, to share your thoughts or just to say hello. As we navigate the ups and downs, I know we are better off because we are doing it together.



From the President



Jason Melzer

Dear Congregants,

Throughout this past winter, we have kept each other warm and spiritually supported by coming together to pray, to socialize, to aid each other in times of need, to cook for each other, to display our talents, and to share laughs and hugs. Our community continues to grow closer in many deep and meaningful ways. We are fortunate to have so many members who are generous with their time and resources and who make HERJC a priority in their lives. Almost every week in our synagogue, there is an opportunity to connect that is supported by our members. I believe one of the greatest indicators of HERJC's success as a congregation is the fact that the crowd of people who attend our events are comprised of such a diverse mixture of individuals. Busy young families, retirees, teens and the occasional college student home on break... we all come together to take comfort in our shared Jewish identity and the "home" we all work so hard to create. The bonds that are created and strengthened through attendance at our events are critical to our lives in many ways.

Just as we move through the cycle of the year together, we move through the seasons of our lives together as well. I have been moved and inspired by the manner in which we strive to be there for each other in times of need. At the leadership level, there has been an increased focus on creating opportunities for members to engage in acts of chesed. One of these efforts has been the creation of a "Shiva Response Team" for the purpose of increasing membership attendance at shiva calls. I encourage anyone interested in being a part of this amazing project to reach out to me or the office and we can get you involved. We have also asked Board Members to make individual calls to members to encourage attendance at our events and to just "check in" on some regular basis. We have found that these personal invitations have a tremendous impact on the success of our events and foster a feeling of inclusion. Our Board Members are so charming, I'm sure you'll have a hard time turning them down!

May our congregation continue to be blessed with growth, both in terms of numbers and connection. I am confident that with so many of you who have the best interests of HERJC and its members in mind and are willing to put in the work, we will have the opportunity to serve our community for generations to come.

With love and respect, Jason



If you loved Coffeehouse... help us plan for next year! Do you sing or play an instrument? Do you know someone who does? Please send an email to Lisa Cohen, engchair@aol.com. Help us to see how many audition dates we will need and when best to schedule the next event.

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

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HERJC ECC



Kabbalat Shabbat services followed by dinner, or on **Shabbat mornings** when we gather to pray and then connect over a shared **kiddush**. Our **Ritual Committee** works tirelessly to ensure that our services, holidays, and life cycle events are meaningful and inclusive. And during the **holidays**, we come together as a sacred community, celebrating, reflecting, and rejoicing in the rhythm of Jewish time, from the sweetness of Rosh Hashanah to the lights of Chanukah and beyond.

- **Gemilut Chasadim**: Our commitment to acts of loving-kindness shines through in the work of **HERJC Cares**, whose volunteers prepare and deliver baskets of support and comfort to those in need. The **Ruach Committee** and our very active **Sisterhood** enrich our community by organizing social events that bring us closer together, while the **Israel Committee** strengthens our ties to Israel, keeping us informed and engaged with our homeland. Each year, our **Gala Dinner** serves as both a vital fundraiser and a joyous social event, where we gather to celebrate our achievements and support the future of our congregation.

Bringing Sinai into Our Lives

As we celebrate Shavuot this year, let us recognize that the Torah is being offered to us once again. It is present in the laughter of our ECC children, the voices of our minyan, the warmth of our holiday celebrations, and the kindness extended by HERJC Cares. It is felt in the vibrant energy of our committees and the joy of coming together at our Gala Dinner. Each time we participate, give of ourselves, and invest in the life of our congregation, we stand again at Sinai, saying **“Na’aseh v’nishma”**: “We will commit ourselves and we will then be able to listen to the needs of our beloved congregation.”

May we continue to receive the Torah not only with our words, but with our actions, our dedication, and our love for HERJC. Chag Shavuot Sameach!

A Musical Tradition

Like many Jewish prayers, *Birkat Hamazon* has been elevated by music. Different communities have developed their own melodies, from the rhythmic, sing-song tunes of Sephardic Jews to the spirited folk-like melodies used in Ashkenazi homes. In Conservative synagogues and summer camps, one particularly popular tune emerged in the 20th century—sometimes called the “camp melody”—a fast-paced, joyful rendition with call-and-response lines and clapping that encourages communal participation. This tune draws from Eastern European musical modes, with a tempo that reflects the celebratory mood after a shared meal. This camp melody is the one that we use at HERJC after Friday night dinners.

Shabbat in the Conservative Movement

In many Conservative synagogues and homes, *Birkat Hamazon* is an integral part of Shabbat meal gatherings. After a communal kiddush or Shabbat dinner, it’s common to bench together, often led by a spirited songleader or the Hazzan. The practice reinforces the values of gratitude, community, and Shabbat joy. The inclusion of the *R’tzei* paragraph as well as *Shir Ha’ma’alot*—the special insertions for Shabbat—helps sanctify the day even further.

Whether sung quietly at home or loudly around a table of friends, *Birkat Hamazon* connects us to our ancestors, reminds us to be thankful, and brings melody into the rhythms of daily and sacred life. As we gather each Shabbat, may our voices rise in harmony, echoing the ancient commandment: *You shall eat and be satisfied and bless...*



(Left) From the HERJC Choir: Arielle Palmadesso, Maya Barbash, Heshy Zakarin

(Right) Hazzan Bonnie Zakarin at her 10th Anniversary Concert Celebrating Israel

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.

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Lisa & Edmund Cohen
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Margo & Jason Melzer
Rebecca Osder
Erica & David Rechtweg
Ileane & Herbert Tischler
Jason Winter & Betsy Schwartz;
Rebecca Winter, Joshua Waitt;
& Xander Winter
Hazzan Bonnie & Moshe Zakarin
Cristina Zancani & David Schieren

**New Patrons*

SUMMER CANDLELIGHTING SCHEDULE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

July 4 8:11 pm
July 5 9:18 pm

July 11 8:08 pm
July 12 9:15 pm

July 18 8:04 pm
July 19 9:09 pm

July 25 7:59 pm
July 26 9:03 pm

August 1 7:52 pm
August 2 8:54 pm

August 8 7:43 pm
August 9 8:45 pm

August 15 7:34 pm
August 16 8:34 pm

August 22 7:24 pm
August 23 8:23 pm

August 29 7:13 pm
August 30 8:11 pm



SHABBAT IN THE PARK July 25, 5:30 pm

Memorial Park at East Rockaway Village Hall

SHABBAT ON THE BEACH August 15, 5:30 pm

Long Beach at the Magnolia Blvd and W. Broadway



Getting to know our new member...

Mira Rosenfeld Sennett, noted educator and lecturer, received an award from the Conference of Jewish Organizations of Nassau County on the occasion of Israel's 50th birthday, as one of 50 "residents who make a difference," and a Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching from SUNY. Mira bonded with students of all ages off and on campus, from the Brandeis Day School in Lawrence to the State University at Stony Brook and as Principal, Teacher at Beth El Talmud Torah, SKA Yeshiva and for 36 years at the Hebrew High School of the 5 Towns. Mira holds Masters in Judaica and Education from The Jewish Theological Seminary at Columbia. A resident of Lawrence, Atlantic Beach, and now Hewlett, Mira is happy to come "home" to HERJC; a widow now, enjoying her children and grandchildren. Her commitment to transmit the joy of Jewish learning is manifested by her book reviews in libraries and on Zoom, serving as membership VP for Hadassah Hewlett-Woodmere.



A Word From the Ritual Committee

BY MICHAEL GOLDWASSER

Shalom! One very meaningful ritual in our Jewish tradition is the lighting of yahrzeit candles to commemorate the death of a loved one on the Hebrew calendar anniversary of her/his/their passing. Lighting the candle is a way to remember and honor the memory of those who are no longer with us. The candles are lit at sundown on the eve of the yahrzeit. We also light them on Erev Yom Kippur, and on the evening of the last day of Sukkot, Pesach, and Shavuot—the three festival days that include the Yizkor service. If you ever need a yahrzeit candle, you can pick one up from the HERJC office. They are also available at many supermarkets in our area, and not just the Jewish ones.

Another ritual that can increase our individual connections to Judaism is putting on tefillin for daytime davening (tefillin is normatively worn for weekday shacharit, the morning prayer, but can be put on any time before sunset). HERJC hosted members of Temple Beth El on February 9 as we came together to not only put on tefillin and daven, but to learn more about tefillin from Rabbi Schlesinger and from Rabbi Kane from Beth El. We had great attendance and best of all, we were able to help students from our Religious School (some of whom were doing it for the very first time) learn how to put on tefillin. The students even helped to lead the service. A few adult women also put on tefillin for the very first time, fully embracing the opportunities that come from having an egalitarian synagogue such as HERJC. If you want to learn more about tefillin, please contact Rabbi Schlesinger.

As always, we'd love to see more people participating in leading services. Especially children and teenagers—it always brings a special feeling to the service when our youngest members contribute. It's also a great way to get our youth to feel comfortable in shul, which can help lead to a lifetime of commitment to Jewish practice. So please consider encouraging your children and grandchildren to participate on Shabbat, a holiday, or even a weekday minyan. There are so many opportunities to be on the bima—leading a prayer or a section of the service, doing one of our English readings, and of course, leading songs—not to mention chanting Torah blessings, reading Torah or Haftarah, or hagba and galila, all of which are perfect for post-B'nai Mitzvah.

We are 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. 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 hope that you enjoy the holidays of Yom Haatzma'ut, Lag b'Omer, Yom Yerushalayim, and Shavuot, and don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions related to ritual.



Holidays

LAG B'OMER BBQ & BONFIRE

Thursday, May 15, 5:30 pm

MUSIC,
FOOD,
FUN,
AND MORE!

JOIN
US!



Holiday Schedule

EREV SHAVUOT

■ **Sunday, June 1**

Religious School Program 5:45 pm
Service and Tikkun 6:00 pm
Maariv 6:30 pm
Dairy Dinner Following Services
Tikkun 8:15 pm
Dessert following Tikkun Leil Shavuot
Candlelighting 8:02 pm

FIRST DAY SHAVUOT

■ **Monday, June 2**

Service 9:30 am
Evening Yizkor 6:00 pm
Candlelighting 9:10 pm

SECOND DAY SHAVUOT

■ **Tuesday, June 3**

Service with Yizkor 9:30 am
Havdalah 9:11 pm

TIKKUN LEIL SHAVUOT

Sunday, June 1, 6:30 pm, following Services

Our Tikkun will include:

- Our Religious School end-of-year awards and ceremonies, including Kabbalat HaSiddur
- Building Blocks moving up
- Kitah Vav Graduation
- An Adult Tikkun Learning led by Rabbi Schlesinger

**Join us to
celebrate
our students
(and eat cheesecake!)**





GALA 2025 HONOREES: ALETA & ARIEL GRUNBERG



Aleta Grunberg was born and raised in eastern Pennsylvania in a small coal mining town which had a total of ten Jewish families. Her parents sent her to Hebrew school. They managed to keep kosher, traveling as far as NYC to do so. Aleta's father davened daily. As a result of her upbringing, and despite living in a predominantly Christian area, Aleta always loved and was extremely proud of being Jewish. She has a master's degree in elementary education and taught at Temple Emanuel (now Am Echad) in Lynbrook for twenty-five years.

Ariel Grunberg was born in Tel Aviv, and even though he left for Caracas, Venezuela at the age of three, his Zionist roots grew deep. His parents were not religious, but they instilled in him the love and respect he has for his homeland. When he was nine, his family moved to NYC. Ariel attended high school in London and has a Bachelor's degree in Business from Baruch College. He is partners with his brother in the real estate company founded by their parents.

Aleta and Ariel met in NYC in 1975. While visiting a friend in the city, Aleta went to listen to music at a bar. Ariel and his friend happened to have the same idea. So began their fairytale story. Ariel asked Aleta to dance and to this day they're still dancing.

Two things they both knew they wanted in a partner: that he/she be Jewish and that he/she loved to dance. It was *besheret* that they met. Besides, their Hebrew/Yiddish names are very similar: Ariel Moshe and Etel Mooshe. How could they not be a couple? They were married in 1977 and became the proud parents of Rebecca and Stephanie. In 1985, they moved from Queens to East Rockaway. Their aim was to live in a Jewish community within a good school district. They found both: Hewlett-East Rockaway Jewish Centre and Lynbrook School District.

Rebecca was in kindergarten when they moved. They immediately joined HERJC and enrolled Rebecca in Sunday School followed by Hebrew School. Stephanie also attended Sunday School and Hebrew School. Both were Bat Mitzvahed at HERJC. It was very important to have Rebecca and Stephanie immersed in Judaism outside their home. As a result, they, too, know the importance of instilling Jewish values in their children: Emma and Bar (Rebecca and Michael) and Avi and Eli (Stephanie and David).

Aleta was active in HERJC's Sisterhood (secretary for two years) until she became President of Waverly Park PTA and returned to the work force. Ariel was a member of the Men's Club. He served/serves on several HERJC committees: the committee to locate a synagogue in Israel to receive our no-longer-used Torah; the Israel Committee, and the Finance Committee.

Aleta and Ariel are also proud members of the Patrons Society. They have always loved attending the HERJC Galas to honor those being recognized and, of course, to dance. Because of their love of Israel, they are very involved in Jewish organizations such as AIPAC, Jewish Institute for the National Security of America (JINSA), and CAMERA (Committee for Accuracy in Middle East Reporting in America), Jewish National Fund USA (JNF), The Middle East Forum (MEF), *Algemeiner* (online newspaper), and the Jewish News Syndicate (JNS). Ariel is on the board of several of these organizations.

Aleta and Ariel are very grateful to have been selected as this year's honorees. They are very happy to be sharing this occasion with the other most deserving honoree, Carrie Rolnick.

GALA 2025 EMERGING LEADER AWARD: CARRIE ROLNICK

Carrie Rolnick grew up on a small cattle farm in Rutledge, Georgia, where she attempted to befriend every animal that crossed her path and has the scars to prove it. She attended the Georgia Institute of Technology where she met her husband, Daniel, and graduated with a degree in Industrial and Systems Engineering. After college Daniel and Carrie moved to San Francisco where Carrie converted to Judaism at Congregation Sherith Israel.

Carrie currently lives in Lynbrook with Daniel and their children Genevieve, Sayge and Jonah as well as their cats Kimchi and Ramen. The Rolnick family joined HERJC in the fall of 2021, the same time that Rabbi Schlesinger was beginning his new role. Jonah entered his last year of Religious School at our new synagogue and was immediately welcomed by Hazzan Zakarin and Rebecca Osder. They made what could have been an awkward transition an enjoyable and beautiful experience. Carrie appreciates how warm and welcoming HERJC has been to the many new families that have recently joined our community.

Carrie is a member of the HERJC Board of Directors and serves on the Finance and Ruach committees. She is thankful to be recognized as an Emerging Leader and is looking forward to joining the HERJC community for many more simchas to come.

Carrie thanks HERJC and the Gala Committee for this extraordinary honor and congratulates Aleta and Ariel Grunberg for being the HERJC Gala 2025 honorees.

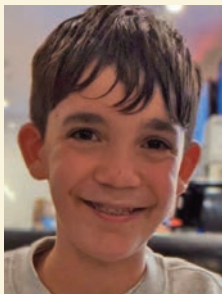


Mazal Tov to Our B'nai Mitzvah

GABRIEL HORTON

May 17, 2025

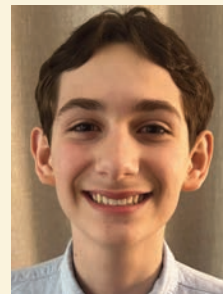
Mazel Tov to Allison and David Horton on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Gabriel. Gabriel is positive, energetic, and kind. His favorite classes in school are social studies and PE. He also enjoys playing tennis, building Legos, and rooting for the Mets. He had a good time volunteering at the Purim carnival and plans to stay involved at HERJC by continuing to attend Shabbat Services. The Horton Family have been HERJC members for over 10 years and both children attended HERJC ECC. Gabriel has one sibling, Charles (16).



JACK WEISNER

June 7, 2025

Mazel Tov to Hope and Brian Weisner on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Jack. Jack is an outgoing, leader with thoughtful and positive intentions. He enjoys participating in karate, playing soccer, reading, and listening to music. Jack has been attending Shabbat Services and is considering going to a Hebrew High School. Jack has three siblings, Elizabeth (22), Sarah (21), and Ethan (11).



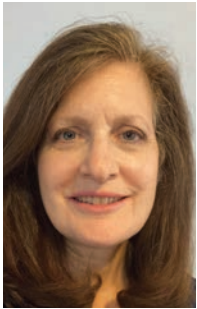
NAOMI SCHLESINGER

July 10, 2025

Mazel Tov to Juliana and Rabbi Michel Schlesinger on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Naomi. Naomi is a very caring and kind person. She loves animals, and she loves to dance. She is also a great babysitter. Naomi is always ready to help organize things at HERJC. She volunteers for any occasion when people might need her and looks forward to continued volunteering. Naomi has been a member of HERJC since her arrival in the US in 2021. She has made many friends here and feels very much at home in the temple. Naomi has one sibling, Tamar (15).



Sisterhood



BEVERLY WACHTEL

"Am Yisrael Chai" The people of Israel live! The Jewish people live! This was our theme this year. We integrated the theme into our programming throughout the year, bringing in Jewish entertainers for our membership dinner and comedy night, and Israeli speakers

for a few programs about Israel. We brought in programming from ADL, including a program about Anti-Israel Activism since October 7, as well as the Words to Action workshop for HERJC's high school students to help them to respond to antisemitism. We sponsored a presentation by the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A. and had a Jewish speaker about the history of Mah Jongg—a popular game amongst Jewish American Women. Together with Adult Ed, we had two movie nights, showing the documentary "A Tree of Life" about the 2018 Pittsburgh synagogue shootings and showing "A Wedding Plan," an entertaining Israeli film. At our Sisterhood Shabbat, our members read Torah, Haftarah, and English prayers, and in the D'var, I discussed the parallels between Parsha Va'era—when Pharaoh would not let our people go—with the situation now when Hamas will not let the hostages go. In September at our Sweets in the Sukkah event, we talked about Israeli women who were heroes on October 7. And at the June Book Club meeting, we will review the book *The Gates of Gaza*, a first-person account of how one Israeli grandfather helped rescue two generations of his family on October 7, 2023. We also incorporated the theme into the Purim poem that we included in the Shalach Manot gift bags, reminding everyone that although we face adversity (in the story of Esther and today), we will survive and continue to celebrate life.

We also had some programming just for the social aspect of doing things together. In addition to our membership dinner, comedy night, and bimonthly book club meetings, we enjoyed a game night and we're planning a Sisterhood Walk this spring. We're also adding

to our community services with a Spring Clean Out (clothing collection).

In May we will hold our annual Torah Fund event. Our theme of *"Am Yisrael Chai"* comes from this year's Torah Fund pin. Support of Torah Fund provides essential scholarships and programs to train future leaders of the Conservative/Masorti Jewish community. Join us on Sunday morning, May 4, to honor our own Hazzan Bonnie Zakarin and celebrate her 10 years at HERJC, enhancing our religious services with her golden voice and sharing her enthusiasm and love of Judaism with the members of our congregation.

The BQLI Woman of Achievement Gala is taking place on Thursday, June 12. HERJC Sisterhood is proud to honor our own Woman of Achievement, Gail Weinstein. Gail served as Fundraising VP the past few years and Treasurer this past year, each year coordinating an entertaining night of BRINGO for prizes, making arrangements for our catered events, working on Shalach Manot, and helping with all of our activities. We hope you'll join us at Temple Beth Shalom that evening to honor Gail.

We thank everyone at HERJC for your support of Sisterhood's fundraisers—New Year's Greetings, Purim Shalach Manot, and BRINGO—which enable Sisterhood to give annual donations of \$10,000 to HERJC and \$1,500 to our Religious School, sponsor a Purim banner, send holiday gifts to our youth who are away at college, welcome new HERJC members with a Shabbat gift, provide candy apples for Simchat Torah, and more. We also thank the members of HERJC for supporting our community service activities, donating warm outer clothing for our annual coat drive, and donating non-perishable food before Kol Nidre and throughout the year. Thank you to our Sisterhood members for your support of Sisterhood and participation in our activities. Thank you to all our volunteers, and a special thank you to our Officers and Board, without whose dedication our work would not be possible. Installation for the 2025-27 Officers and Board will take place on June 5.



Sisterhood Events

ANNUAL TORAH FUND EVENT HONORING HAZZAN ZAKARIN

■ Sunday, May 4, 10:30 am

Your donation to the Torah Fund Campaign of Women's League helps provide essential scholarships and programs to train future leaders of the Conservative/Masorti Jewish community.



*Torah Fund
Campaign Pin
"Am Yisrael Chai"*

THANK YOU TO ALL THE SHALOCH MANOT VOLUNTEERS!

This was truly a community effort!

Gail Alweis
Michelle Beinhacker
Lisa Cohen
Arthur Debin
Norman Doctor
Stacey Ezratty
Jordana Feffer
Larry Feffer
Marnie Feffer
Keith Harrow
Barbara Kaplan
Phyllis Katz
Heidi Kreit
Nancy Levitt
Stu Markowitz
Marsha Miller
Amy Moritz
Maty Olin

Miriam Pasternack
Nancy Rehns
Ivy Reilly
Carrie Rolnick
Carol Rubinstein
Ellen Schieren
Beverly Wachtel
Gail Weinstein
Mel Weinstein
Miriam Weisbrod

**And of course,
many thanks to the:**

Office staff
Maintenance staff
Betsy Kass
ECC & Religious
School

Spring Clean Out



Sisterhood is coordinating
a Spring Clothing Drive.

Drop off dates
to be announced.

BQLI WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT GALA

■ Thursday, June 12, 5:45 pm, Temple Beth Shalom, Rosyn Heights

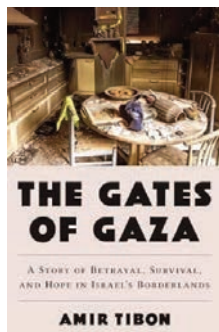
HERJC Sisterhood is so proud
to honor our own Gail Weinstein.

Look for the email to register
and/or place an ad in her honor.



SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB

■ Wednesday, June 18 at 8:00 pm
(in person or Zoom)



***Gates of Gaza: A Story of Betrayal, Survival,
and Hope in Israel's Borderlands* by Amir Tibon**

A gripping first-person account of how one Israeli grandfather helped rescue two generations of his family on October 7, 2023—a saga that reveals the deep tensions and systemic failures behind Hamas's attacks that day.

Contact Roberta.sugarman@gmail.com if you would
like to join us. Heidi Kreit will lead the discussion.

SISTERHOOD INSTALLATION 2025-27

■ Thursday, June 5

Officers

President: Beverly Wachtel*
Community Service VP: Heidi Kreit
Fundraising VP: Barbara Kaplan*
Membership VP: Leah Freeberg
Program VP: Beverly Wachtel
Treasurer: Gail Weinstein
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Recording Secretary: Heidi Kreit
Social Secretary: Maty Olin*

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Irene Drantch
Ellen Margolin
Rebecca Osder
Miriam Pasternack
Nancy Rehns
Roberta Sugarman
Hedy Wohl
Miriam Weisbrod

*Past Presidents (partial list): Laurie Stone
Brofsky, Marion Hauser, Nancy Levitt

Thank you to outgoing Sisterhood Board
Members: Sandra Greenberg, Amy Moritz
and Phyllis Katz

May 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



ISRAEL DAY PARADE

Sunday, May 18, 11:30 am – 4:00 pm (approx.)

\$20/pp round trip coach bus and T-Shirt
bus leaves from HERJC

\$10 T-Shirt only

4 6 IYAR

9:00 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
9:00 am–Noon – Religious School (Building Blocks through Grade 6)
10:30 am–1:30 pm – Sisterhood Torah Fund Brunch
12:15 pm – Dalet B'nei Mitzvah Parent Meeting
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan Youth Programs

5 7 IYAR

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

6 8 IYAR

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

11 13 IYAR

Mother's Day

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED
9:00 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
9:30 am – Torah Learning & Breakfast
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan

12 14 IYAR

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

13 15 IYAR

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

18 20 IYAR

9:00 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
9:00 am–Noon – Religious School (Building Blocks through Grade 6)
9:30 am – Torah Learning & Breakfast
11:30 am–4:00 pm – Israel Day Parade on Fifth Avenue
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan

19 21 IYAR

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

20 22 IYAR

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

25 27 IYAR

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED
9:00 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan followed by Breakfast
9:30 am – Torah Learning & Breakfast
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan

26 28 IYAR

Jerusalem Day Memorial Day
ECC CLOSED/OFFICE CLOSED
8:00 am – Memorial Day Interfaith Service at HERJC
9:00 am – In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm – Virtual Evening Minyan

27 29 IYAR

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



of Events

WEDNESDAY



Limited availability on bus,
reserve your seat now!

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

1 3 IYAR

Yom HaAtzmaut

ECC Yom HaAtzmaut
Train Ride to Israel

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual
Morning Minyan

7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

2 4 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan

9:30 am - ECC Whole
School Shabbat

6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service

7:00 pm - JNF Israel Shabbat Dinner

7:34 pm - Candlelighting

3 5 IYAR

PARASHAT TAZRIA-METZORA

9:30 am - Shabbat Service with
Guest Speaker Israel Nitzan

8:38 pm - Havdalah

7 9 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan

7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

8 10 IYAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual
Morning Minyan

7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

8:00 pm - Sisterhood Board Meeting

9 11 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan

11:00 am - ECC PA Special Persons
Luncheon

6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service

7:41 pm - Candlelighting

10 12 IYAR

PARASHAT ACHREI MOT-KEDOSHIM

9:30 am - Shabbat Service:
Instrumental Shabbat

8:46 pm - Havdalah

14 16 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan

7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

15 17 IYAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual
Morning Minyan

5:30 pm - ECC Art Show
Grand Opening

5:30 pm - Lag B'Omer BBQ & Bonfire

7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

16 18 IYAR

Lag B'Omer

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan

6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service

6:00 pm - Chevre Shabbat

7:48 pm - Candlelighting

17 19 IYAR

PARASHAT EMOR

Bar Mitzvah of Gabriel Horton

9:30 am - Shabbat Service

8:54 pm - Havdalah

21 23 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan

8:30 am - ECC Storytime

9:30 am - Veterans Visiting ECC:
Teaching the American Flag

7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

22 24 IYAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual
Morning Minyan

7:00-11:00 pm - HERJC Gala:
Havana Nights

7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

23 25 IYAR

ECC CLOSED

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan

6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service

7:55 pm - Candlelighting

24 26 IYAR

PARASHAT BEHAR-BECHUKOTAI

9:30 am - Shabbat Service

9:02 pm - Havdalah

28 1 SIVAN

Rosh Chodesh Sivan

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan

6:30 pm - Rabbi Schlesinger's
Talmud Class at HERJC

7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

29 2 SIVAN

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual
Morning Minyan

7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

30 3 SIVAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan

6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service

8:00 pm - Candlelighting

31 4 SIVAN

PARASHAT BAMIDBAR

9:30 am - Shabbat Service

9:08 pm - Havdalah



June Calendar

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

1 5 SIVAN
Erev Shavuot
 Last Sunday of Religious School
 9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Minyan
 9:30 am - Torah Learning & Breakfast
 5:45 pm - Tikkun Leil Shavuot,
 Religious School Programs
 6:30 pm - Maariv followed by Dinner
 8:02 pm - Holiday Candlelighting
 8:15 pm - Tikkun followed by Dessert
 Youth Programs

2 6 SIVAN
Shavuot - Day 1
 ECC CLOSED
 OFFICE CLOSED
 9:30 am - Shavuot Service
 6:00 pm - Evening Yizkor
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
 9:10 pm - Holiday Candlelighting

3 7 SIVAN
Shavuot - Day 2
 ECC CLOSED
 OFFICE CLOSED
 9:30 am - Shavuot Service
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
 9:11 pm - Holiday Ends

4 8 SIVAN
 7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

8 12 SIVAN
 9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Morning
 Minyan followed by Breakfast
 9:30 am - Torah Learning & Breakfast
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

9 13 SIVAN
 Israel Night - Time TBD
 7:45 am - In Person & Virtual
 Morning Minyan
 1:00 pm - ECC Moving Up Ceremony
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

10 14 SIVAN
 Last Day of Toddler Time
 7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 6:30 pm - Ritual Committee Meeting
 7:00 pm - Education
 Committee Meeting
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
 8:00 pm - Executive
 Committee Meeting

11 15 SIVAN
 7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

15 19 SIVAN
Father's Day
 9:00 am - In Person & Virtual
 Morning Minyan followed
 by Breakfast
 9:30 am - Torah Learning & Breakfast
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

16 20 SIVAN
 7:45 am - In Person & Virtual
 Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

17 21 SIVAN
 7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

18 22 SIVAN
 7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
 8:00 pm - Sisterhood Book Club

22 26 SIVAN
 9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Morning
 Minyan followed by Breakfast
 9:30 am - Torah Learning & Breakfast
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

23 27 SIVAN
 7:45 am - In Person & Virtual
 Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
 8:00 pm - Congregational Meeting
 followed by Open
 Board of Directors Meeting

24 28 SIVAN
 7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

25 29 SIVAN
 7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

29 18 SIVAN
 9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Morning
 Minyan followed by Breakfast
 9:30 am - Torah Learning & Breakfast
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

30 18 SIVAN
 7:45 am - In Person & Virtual
 Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan



of Events

THURSDAY

5 9 SIVAN

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

12 16 SIVAN

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

19 23 SIVAN

Juneteenth
OFFICE CLOSED
9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

26 30 SIVAN

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

FRIDAY

6 10 SIVAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
9:30 am - ECC Whole School Shabbat
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
8:05 pm - Candlelighting

13 17 SIVAN

Last Day of ECC
7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
6:00 pm - Chevre Shabbat
8:09 pm - Candlelighting

20 24 SIVAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
8:11 pm - Candlelighting

27 1 TAMMUZ

Rosh Chodesh Tamuz
7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service
8:12 pm - Candlelighting

SATURDAY

7 11 SIVAN

PARASHAT NASSO

Bar Mitzvah of Jack Weisner
9:30 am - Shabbat Service
9:14 pm - Havdalah

14 18 SIVAN

PARASHAT BECHA'ALOTCHA

Flag Day
9:30 am - Shabbat Service
9:18 pm - Havdalah

21 25 SIVAN

PARASHAT SH'LACH

9:30 am - Shabbat Service: Sisterhood Shabbat and Instrumental Shabbat
9:20 pm - Havdalah

28 2 TAMMUZ

PARASHAT KORACH

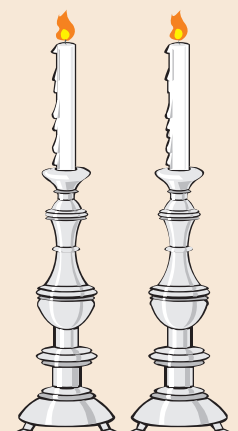
9:30 am - Shabbat Service: Sisterhood Shabbat and Instrumental Shabbat
9:20 pm - Havdalah

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

MEMORIAL DAY INTERFAITH SHABBAT

Monday, May 26, 8:00am at HERJC





Harry Laufer Education Center



Early Childhood Center

CHERYL KARP

As another school year comes to a close, we find ourselves reflecting on the incredible growth we've witnessed in each and every child. Some children climb the ladder slowly and steadily, while others seem to race to the top—but what truly matters is that each child is on their own unique journey, and they are all moving forward.

In our classrooms, we celebrate every milestone, big and small, whether it is our first goodbye without tears, a new friendship blossoming, or a proud moment of sharing or speaking up. We know that each step is meaningful. The joy of early childhood is not just the achievements, but the process of growing, discovering, and becoming.

And let us not forget the fun! From Truck Day to our Glow in the Dark Chanukah celebrations, and crazy days during our Wicked Purim Celebration, our days are filled with laughter, imagination, and “ah ha” moments. Every day in the ECC brings something new, something joyful, and

something worth remembering.

As summer approaches, I would like to encourage all our families to take a breath. Slow down. Embrace the longer days, the sticky ice cream smiles. Let the summer be a time to notice the little things and to marvel at the wonder of your child just as they are—exactly where they are.

A special thank you to my incredible, creative, and dedicated staff who together make each day so special. Their passion, warmth, and boundless energy fill our school with love and magic and I am endlessly grateful for all they do.

And for those moving on to elementary school, we wish you nothing but success and happiness. We hope you continue your Jewish journey with us in Building Blocks, guided by our fabulous and innovative director, Chari, who instills the love of Judaism in every moment and every day.

Wishing you a joyful, restful summer filled with sunshine, laughter, and moments of awe.

With love and gratitude, Cheryl

Meet Our 2025 ECC Graduates



Early Childhood Center Schedule

■ Thursday, May 1

Yom HaAtzmaut Train Ride to Israel

■ Friday, May 2

Whole School Shabbat 9:30 am

■ Friday, May 9

ECC PA Special Persons

Luncheon 11:00am-1:00 pm

■ Thursday, May 15

ECC Art Show Grand Opening 5:30 pm

■ Wednesday, May 21

ECC Storytime 8:30 am

■ Friday, May 23

ECC CLOSED

■ Monday, May 26

ECC CLOSED

■ Monday, June 2 - Tuesday, June 3

ECC CLOSED

■ Friday, June 6

Whole School Shabbat 9:30 am

■ Monday, June 9

ECC Moving Up Ceremony 1:00 pm

■ Tuesday, June 10

LAST DAY OF TODDLER TIME

■ Friday, June 13

LAST DAY OF ECC

**Veterans Visiting ECC:
Teaching about
the American Flag**

Wednesday, May 21
9:30 am



Our 2025 Journey Down the Yellow Brick Road
to Visit The Wonderful Wizard of Purim!



Religious School



CHARI NACSON

My favorite time of the week is Tuesday at 6:05 pm. At this time, our entire school gathers in the hallway for ten minutes. I engage with the students, asking them about what they've learned that day—covering topics from holidays to Hebrew—while trying to call on children from different classes. Each week, I pass the Israeli flag to a student who has correctly answered a question. This moment is always filled with pride—not just for the students, but

for the teachers and for me. I get to hear firsthand how the children are learning. Do they remember our Hebrew word of the week? Do they know which holiday is coming up next, or which one has just passed? Can they count in Hebrew? The pride grows even more when an older student hands the flag to a younger one who eagerly wants to hold it. And, of course, nothing compares to the pride I feel when I watch our students sing *Hatikvah*.

As I reflect on my first year at HERJC, I remind myself of the promise I made at the beginning: Every lesson, every activity, and every assignment must be taught with *kavanah*—intention. It's easy to move from one Torah story to another, from one holiday to the next, checking off highlights, completing a project, and moving on. But teaching with *kavanah* requires something deeper.

In a recent conversation, the Rabbi reminded me that my job is not about checking boxes. He emphasized that we shouldn't simply do things the way they've always been done just to mark them as "complete." This idea resonated with me. So many of us, in both our work and personal lives, move through tasks just to check them off a list. As a self-proclaimed "list person," I understand that satisfaction—whether it's completing this *Hakol* article or managing my many Alexa lists for groceries, packing, and even my annual Pesach shopping. But Jewish education is not something that can be reduced to a checklist.

Our *Shinshinit* (Israeli gap-year representative), Tamar, often tells me how much more our HERJC students know compared to those at other congregations where she works. Our storyteller, Morah Debbie Cadel, frequently shares how insightful and knowledgeable our students are. Just this week, a teacher told me that her students had asked a question she didn't know the answer to—a moment of both challenge and pride, as it showed they were thinking deeply about our Passover traditions. And when I asked a **Building Blocks** student where his *kippah* was, and he pointed to his head and said, "On my *rosh*," I knew we were on the right path. Once again, teaching with intention—not just checking boxes.

Of course, along the way, there have been a few stumbles. But my goal has always been to lay the foundation for our students to continue their Jewish educational journey. I look forward to seeing our second graders receive their *Siddurim*, our Building Blocks graduates move on to *Kita Alef*, and our *Kita Zayin* students complete their Jewish education at HERJC and transition into active members of our congregation. I hope they will all continue their journeys with good deeds, kavod and Kavanah. —Morah Chari



Religious School Havdalah



Tu Bishvat Arts & Crafts



Terri's Angels Packing Event
for IDF Soldiers



Hoops for Israel



Religious School Schedule

■ Sunday, May 4

Building Blocks through Grade 6 9:00 am-Noon
Dalet B'nei Mitzvah Parent Meeting 12:15 pm

■ Tuesday, May 6

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm
Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

■ Sunday, May 11

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED

■ Tuesday, May 13

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm
Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

■ Thursday, May 15

Lag B'Omer BBQ & Bonfire 5:30 pm

■ Sunday, May 18

Building Blocks through Grade 6 9:00 am-Noon

■ Tuesday, May 20

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm
Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

■ Sunday, May 25

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED

■ Tuesday, May 20

LAST TUESDAY OF RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Grades 1 through 6 4:15-6:15 pm
Grade 7 6:00-8:00 pm

■ Sunday, June 1

LAST SUNDAY OF RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Religious School Moving Up
& Graduation Ceremonies 6:00 pm

Youth Director



MYLES GREENBAUM

Shalom everyone! I wanted to thank you all for an amazing first semester with HERJC Youth and give some updates to our progress as a community and as a youth group. In our spring semester, we have participated in events ranging from bowling, to a synagogue-wide scavenger hunt, to a chocolate seder. Each event has come with its

own rewards for our group and I have loved getting to know this congregation more intimately since joining the community as the Youth Director. Upcoming, we have a Community Service day on April 27, followed by an exciting out of building event on May 4, and finally a wrap up HERJC Youth program on June 1. Speaking directly to our community, I am asking all of the parents out there to give an extra push to your teens to try and **BRING ONE FRIEND** along with them to our upcoming events. We can facilitate a great program but I would love to see newer faces in our last three events of the year! As always, please do not hesitate to email me with any questions you may have, I love this community and want to see it thrive, always happy to have a conversation!

Youth Programs

- Grades 5-8, Sundays 5:30-7:00 pm
- Grades 9-12, Sundays 7:00-8:30 pm

May 4 (TBD Off Campus Event)
June 1 (TBD)



Bowling at Woodmere Lanes





*Schwarma sandwiches,
we made 25 per box*



JNF MISSION TO ISRAEL – ALETA AND ARIEL GRUNBERG



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In February of this year, Aleta and Ariel Grunberg were on the first Jewish National Fund mission to Israel since October 7th, "The Housing and Development Fund Mission." Ariel is a member of the JNF Housing and Development Fund task force, which supports infrastructure building to help Kibbutzim and Moshavim in the north and south of Israel expand and, in some cases, survive. The mission visited several of these communities to see the difference JNF has made assisting the development of

areas in the north and the south (where today's pioneers are settling).

Along with the visiting of these communities, the mission visited the Nova Festival site, where they met a mother of an attendee who was murdered. She outlined the tragedy in great detail. They also traveled to Kiryat Shmona in the north. The residents had been evacuated due to Lebanon's brutal attacks. Slowly in February, the residents were returning. Some of the returnees relayed what ensued. The resilience of the Israelis is a dominant theme.

A second dominant theme is the willingness of the residents to help fellow countrymen, in this instance, by sharing their homes with evacuees (still common in February). An example is Halutza, which was visited by the Grunberg's group. It is a community in the south, less than a mile from the Gaza border. Luckily, it had not been attacked.

That mission was followed by Aleta and Ariel's volunteering with JNF in southern Israel abutting The Gaza Strip. There they helped pick delicious cherry tomatoes on a farm. The volunteers cleaned grounds of an evacuated kibbutz within this area. Most fortunately no one was harmed or taken hostage from this kibbutz. Shelters were painted and picnic tables built. The seventy-some volunteers baked desserts and made heroes. Both were delivered by the group to IDF soldiers serving in the Gaza Strip. Supplies were packed for the same IDF soldiers and also delivered.

The group was entertained by "The Special In Uniform" singers. The unit of special needs soldiers are made to feel worthy as they are a part of the IDF, performing necessary tasks outside the fighting zones. The base chef threw a BBQ in the volunteer group's honor. We danced and sang with soldiers serving in the Gaza area as the singers entertained. It was a remarkable send off to an amazing mission.



*Packing products from the
Galilee for the soldiers*





Personals and Donations

Personals

Mazal Tov!

B'nai Mitzvah

Allison and David Horton as their son, Gabriel becomes a Bar Mitzvah.
Hope and Brian Weisner as their son, Jack becomes a Bar Mitzvah.
Juliana and Rabbi Michel Schlesinger as their daughter, Naomi becomes a Bat Mitzvah.

Births

Laurie and Joe Brofsky on the birth of their granddaughter, Ilana Rae Orencel.

Special Wedding Anniversaries

• JUNE
Doris and Yosef Dlugacz (55)
Elise and Gregory Gang (45)
Iris and Alan Jacobs (55)
Lisa and James Keith (15)
Laurie and Asher Platt (55)
Randi and Jonathan Polansky (35)
Lindsay and Scott Weisner (20)

Special Birthdays

• MAY
Florence Brodsky Ron Ronen
Ruth Hirsch Michael Stauber
Aryeh Klonsky Lisa Wainer
Neil Meixler
• JUNE
Elana Abelev Jonathan Mandell
Doris Dlugacz Sydel Rothafel
Todd Graber Raneet Shogan
Lisa Berkowitz- Arielle Stein
Herrnson Steven Stern
Andrew Kaye

And . . .

Alana Kolbrenner on the engagement of her son, Eric Lawrence Kolbrenner to Marisa Kaplan.
Denise & Robert Sher on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Olivia Nicole Wolf.

Condolences

Gil Ben-Ami on the loss of his mother, Evelyn.
Sandra Greenberg on the loss of her brother, Stephen D. Benin.
Adrianne Klein on the loss of her father, Donald Glick.
Judy Mintz on the loss of her mother, Zelda Gidinsky Schoengold.
Lester Stein on the loss of his wife, Faye.

Simcha Leaves on Our Tree of Life

Mason Meshman in honor of his Bar Mitzvah.

Memorial Plaque

Memorial Plaques were recently ordered in loving memory of: Steven Suffin by Roni Suffin

Welcome New Members

(February - April 2025)
Meredith & Vinny Cusumano
Mira Sennett
Hannah Schwartz

Funds

The Congregation gratefully acknowledges the following contributions which were received by April 9, 2025.

Early Childhood Center Fund

Nancy and Michael Rehns with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of Jane Lesser.
Carol Rubinstein in memory of her grandfather, Harry Polonsky.

Education Fund

Lisa and Ed Cohen in honor of Rita and Larry Gottlieb's anniversary.
Barbara and Paul Cooper and Lisa and Walter Fishkind in appreciation of Lisa Stein for organizing the baby naming of Zoey Taylor Cooper and making this a very special day.
Norman Doctor with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of Jane Lesser.
Jane and Marty Lesser in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Olivia Wolf, granddaughter of Denise and Bob Sher.
Maty and Jeff Olin in honor of the birth of Ilana Rae Orincel, granddaughter of Laurie and Joe Brofsky.
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Marty Abrams in memory of Stephen D. Benin.
Barry Borodkin in memory of Everett Jacobs.
Lisa and Ed Cohen in memory of Harry Laufer.
Lisa and Ed Cohen in memory of Zelda Gidinsky Schoengold.
Norman Doctor in memory of his father, Louis and his brother, Joseph.
Hedda and Jeff Feigenblatt in memory of Joseph Radomsky.
Pam and Dan Gerstman in memory of Evelyn Ben-Ami.

Terri and Steven Gold in memory of Faye Stein.
Bonnie and Bill Rost in memory of Everett Jacobs.

Hazzan's Music Fund

Lisa and Ed Cohen in appreciation of Hazzan Zakarin for her help with Sisterhood Shabbat and Lisa's Haftorah.
Barbara and Paul Cooper in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger, Hazzan Zakarin and Executive Director Lisa Stein for the officiating and organizing of Zoey Taylor Cooper's baby naming and making this a very special day.
Terri and Steven Gold in honor of Hazzan Bonnie's 10th anniversary with the congregation.
Sandra and Marvin Greenberg in appreciation of Hazzan Zakarin's support and help with Sandra's brother, Stephen D. Benin's bereavement.
Melissa, Greg, Sylvie and Nate Lobel in honor of our friend Cantor Bonnie's 10th anniversary with the congregation.
Arthur Riegel in honor of Hazzan's 10 year anniversary with HERJC.
Carol Rubinstein with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of Laurie Brofsky.
Madeline and Keith Harrow in memory of Keith's sister, Rita Price and Madeline's sister, Linda Solomon.
Carol Rubinstein in memory of her father in law, Louis.

Kiddush Fund

Roberta Conway in memory of her parents, Annette and Nathan Geller.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Lisa and Ed Cohen in honor of Ma'ot Hittim—Passover.
Barbara and Paul Cooper in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger, Hazzan Zakarin and Executive Director Lisa Stein for the officiating and organizing of Zoey Taylor Cooper's baby naming and making this a very special day.
Barbara and Paul Cooper in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger and thanking him for the support and prayer for a friend's son's upcoming surgery.
Kathy and Larry Feffer in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Olivia Nicole Wolf, granddaughter of Denise and Bob Sher.

Kathy and Larry Feffer with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of Sophie Kislik.

Kathy and Larry Feffer with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of Jane Lesser.

Sandra and Marvin Greenberg in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger's help and support with her brother Stephen D. Benin's bereavement.

Adrianne and Martin Klein in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger's support to their family when sitting shiva for Adrianne's father, Donald Glick.

Melissa and Paul Kotcher in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger officiating at their families bris.

Nora and Jack Skiba in honor of Marilyn Cohen's birthday.

Nora and Jack Skiba with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of Sophie Kislik.

Nora and Jack Skiba with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of Jane Lesser.

Jane and Mitchell Weingrad in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger's prayer and attention in memory of Mitchell's grandparents, Mary and Irving Weingrad.

Marsha Becker in memory of her father in law, Harry and her brother in law, David.

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Lisa and Michael Greenberg, Max and Nicole in memory of Uncle Alex.

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Nancy Wachs in memory of her mother, Joan Baum.

Miriam and Howard Weisbrod in memory of Stephen D. Benin, brother of Sandra Greenberg.

General Synagogue Fund

Shari Doloboff in appreciation of the aliyah commemorating the yahrzeit of her husband, Benet.
 Irene and Bruce Drantch in honor of Jason Melzer's Presidency.
 Ricki and Richard Hoffman in appreciation for being invited to say kaddish for their son, Daniel.
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 Eddy Abrevaya in memory of his sister, Beatrice Silver and his brother in law, Mark Weiner.
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 Phyllis Acker in memory of her mother, Shirley Levins.
 Paula Belmont in memory of her husband, Jim.
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 Stanley Cohen in memory of his aunt, Beatrice Sklamberg.
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 Stacey and Jaime Ezratty in memory of Evelyn Ben-Ami.
 Irene Farber in memory of her father, Isidore Glasstein, her father in law, Sol and her brother in law, Leon.
 Jeffrey Feigenblatt in memory of his mother, Rose.
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 Roberta Feldman in memory of her mother, Hattie Kaplan.

Sanford Feldman in memory of his grandparents, Mary and Solomon.
 Susan Fishman in memory of Zelda Shoengold.
 Sherry Friedman in memory of her mother, Gertrude Taishoff and her sister, Francine Taishoff.
 Jason Gang in memory of his grandmother, Jacqueline Nelson.
 Marc Goldberg in memory of his father, Paul.
 Lauren and Barry Goldstein in memory of Oscar Goldstein.
 Lauren Goldstein in memory of her parents, Toby and Samuel Levine.
 Ami Goldwasser in memory of her mother, Linda Sacks.
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 Rita Gottlieb in memory of her father, Philip Barsky.
 Lisa and Michael Greenberg in memory of Michael's father, Norman.
 Sandra and Marvin Greenberg in memory of Marvin's grandmother, Ida Sherman.
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 Judy Herbst in memory of her sister, Helene Sterkin.
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Yahrzeits

*The Yahrzeit of the following beloved relatives of our members will be observed during the next few weeks.
It is especially fitting and proper that the members of the family be present at the appropriate Service to observe this occasion.*

5/1 - 3 Iyyar

Janet Goldberg
Alice Roth
Lily Bondy

5/2 - 4 Iyyar

Marvin Goodman

5/3 - 5 Iyyar

Alexander Oppenheim
Herbert Brooks
Phyllis Hoffman

5/4 - 6 Iyyar

Simon Klein
Esther Feldsott
Erick Liebenstein

5/5 - 7 Iyyar

David Kislik
Irving Davis
Sheila Weisel
Bernard Cramer

5/6 - 8 Iyyar

Morton Irwin Julien
Milton Kurz
Leaore Levine Pollitt
Carol Gross

5/7 - 9 Iyyar

Howard Kshoniz
Sidney Kalikow
Rhoda Nadrich
Tova Sabag
Alys Platek

5/8 - 10 Iyyar

Yehuda Moritz
Victoria Fader
Stanley Kevelson
Lester Sebold

5/9 - 11 Iyyar

Hannah Isaacson
Norman Jules
Greenberg
Rose Portugal
Alvin I. Stehr

5/10 - 12 Iyyar

Orrin Skolnick
Hyman Zeitlin

5/11 - 13 Iyyar

Ruth Kaufman

5/12 - 14 Iyyar

Allen Skolnick
Florence Baker

5/13 - 15 Iyyar

Louis Schiffman
Ruth Kornbluth
Robert Skoller
Walter (Bill) Lieblein
Frieda Morris

5/14 - 16 Iyyar

Harry Bondy
Irving Mandell
David Sacksner

5/16 - 18 Iyyar

Sylvia Herbst
Daniel Laufer
Saul Rubinfeld
Lori Schneider
Irwin Sklar
Philip Menchel
Albert Goldman
Howard Silver

5/17 - 19 Iyyar

Renee Berman

5/18 - 20 Iyyar

Lois Grinker
Samuel Cassoff
Stuart Weilgus

5/19 - 21 Iyyar

Sarah Kaminsky

5/20 - 22 Iyyar

Riva Skiba
Charles Fine
Ethel Buchman
Jack Kravitz

5/22 - 24 Iyyar

Miriam Cohen

5/23 - 25 Iyyar

Edward Skiba
Estelle Steinman

5/24 - 26 Iyyar

Rita Schwartz
Deana Shelly
Underweiser
Carolyn Joy Altus
Fredric Suser
Lillian Altus
Ephraim Weiss

5/25 - 27 Iyyar

David Ben-Ami
Leo Oltchick

5/26 - 28 Iyyar

Isaac Laufer
Vivian Burton

5/27 - 29 Iyyar

Isadore Roth
Louis Meyer
Abraham Reichman

5/28 - 1 Sivan

Deral E. Willis
Peter Nash
Nathan Lebovitz

5/29 - 2 Sivan

Lawrence Ungarten
Nicholas Sklar
Jerome Cooper

5/30 - 3 Sivan

Irving Krasne

5/31 - 4 Sivan

Julia Zaretsky
Alfred Stier

6/1 - 5 Sivan

Lillian Karp
Louis Siegel
Frederick Rand
Benjamin Geiver

6/2 - 6 Sivan

Ruben Gross
Ed Fishman
Abraham Kassel

6/3 - 7 Sivan

Esther Halbridge
Kate Polonsky
Irene Shaham

6/4 - 8 Sivan

Goldie Feinberg
Rose Jaskol

6/5 - 9 Sivan

Frances Schieren
Michael Cohen
Deanna Abrevaya
Shaya Jeros

6/6 - 10 Sivan

Elissa Queen
Blanche Schwartz

6/7 - 11 Sivan

Murray Platt

6/8 - 12 Sivan

Allyson Rosenblatt

6/9 - 13 Sivan

Sandra Joan Kroog
Stephen Shaham

6/10 - 14 Sivan

Anne Klein

6/11 - 15 Sivan

Robert Strong
Morton Lesser

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Abraham Goldberg
Doris Peckerman

6/13 - 17 Sivan

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6/14 - 18 Sivan

Francine Abrevaya
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Judy Kelmenson
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6/15 - 19 Sivan

Ida Rubinstein

6/16 - 20 Sivan

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6/19 - 23 Sivan

Nathan Cassoff
Aaron Matthew Melzer

6/20 - 24 Sivan

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6/25 - 29 Sivan

Leonard Harvey
Sonja Kahn

6/26 - 30 Sivan

Kenneth Goldin
Rose Zeitlin
Claire Lurie

6/27 - 1 Tammuz

Mortimer Cohen
Rand Skolnick

6/28 - 2 Tammuz

Sophie Mirel Bedar
Doris Drantch
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6/29 - 3 Tammuz

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6/30 - 4 Tammuz

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