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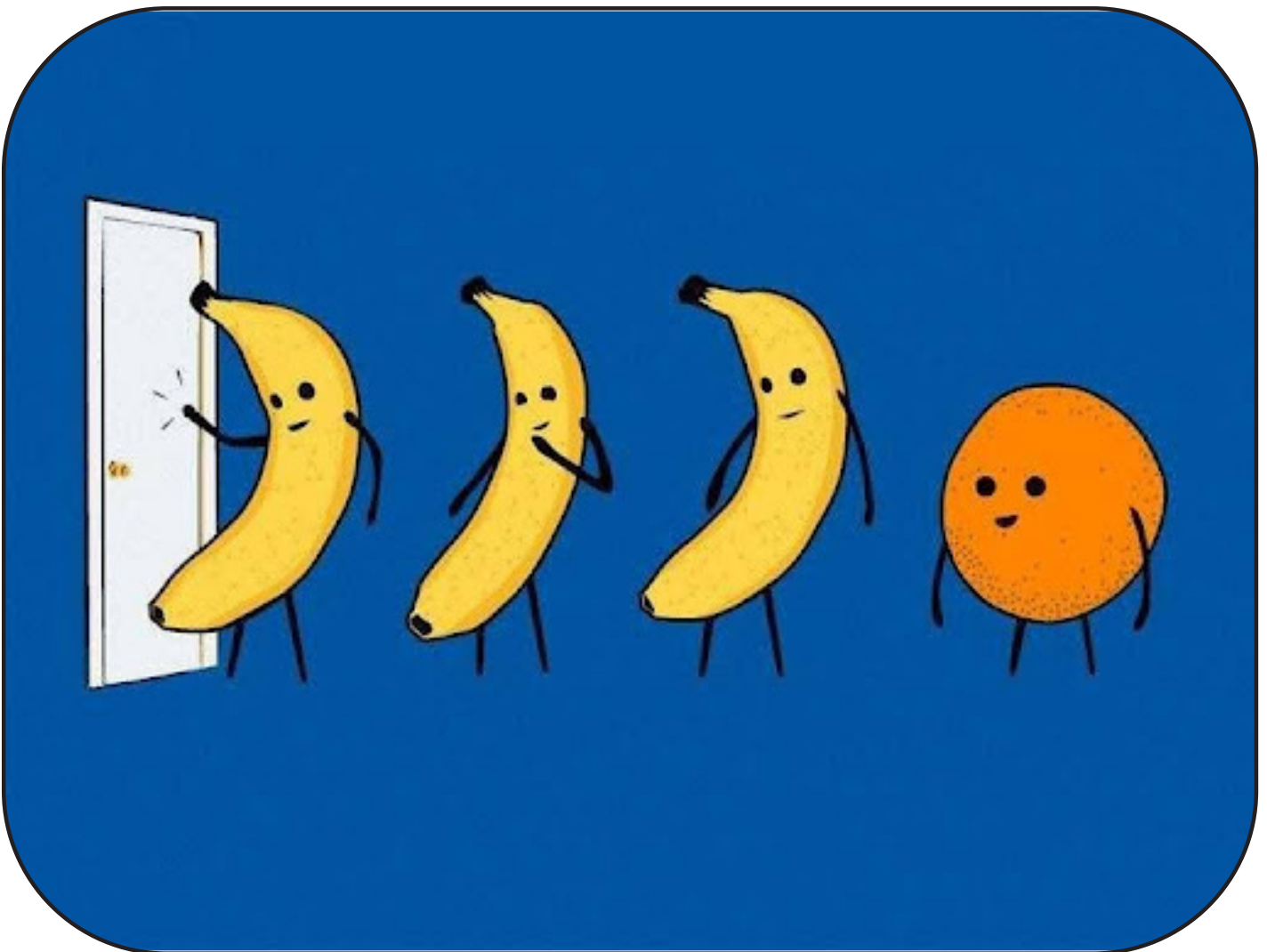


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## Israeli Jokes And Why There Are So Few Of Them

As I write this, we are on the verge of a ceasefire and the return of at least some of the remaining hostages kidnapped by Hamas terrorists on October 7. It has been hard to find much humor this year in being Jewish, because it has all been just so sad and scary, both in Israel and in the growth of antisemitism in the Bay Area.

For Israelis, this has almost always been the case historically. That is why the chapter about Israeli jokes in Rabbi Joseph Telushkin's book *Jewish Humor*, is titled "Why Are There So Few Funny Israeli Jokes." Nevertheless, here are a few of them.

How do you make a small fortune in Israel? Come with a large one.

An Israeli bus driver and a pious rabbi die on the same day. They are brought before the heavenly tribunal, and the bus driver is immediately admitted to the world-to-come. The rabbi is told to wait; his case must be examined more carefully. The rabbi is outraged: "I know for a fact that that bus driver was a totally irreligious Jew, while I gave a Talmud lesson every single day." "That is all very true," the heavenly angel tells him. "But when you taught Talmud you caused many people to sleep. When that driver drove his bus, everybody prayed."

This next one relates to the horrible double standard applied to all Israeli actions and even words.

An American, an Englishman, and an Israeli are captured by cannibals. They are each permitted one last wish before being thrown into an enormous boiling pot. The American takes off his wedding ring and gives it to the cannibal chief. "Please have this sent back to my wife." The Englishman asks permission to sing "God Save the Queen." The Israeli says to the chief. "I want you to give me a very hard kick in the rear end." The chief complies and sends the Israeli sprawling to the ground.

But when he gets up, he whips out a gun and shoots the chief dead, causing all the other cannibals to flee. The American and the Englishman are very grateful but puzzled. "Why did you tell him to kick you in the rear end first. Why didn't you just take out the gun right away?" "Oh, that I couldn't do," the Israeli says. "I didn't want to be denounced as the aggressor."

As sad as all this is, Purim teaches us that, even when things are at their worst, while we always "remember Amalek," we should live life and be merry.

L'shalom,

Rabbi Mark Bloom



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## Save the Date

### Purim Rock 'n Roll

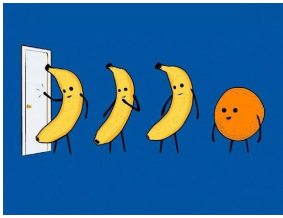
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## Preschool Jokes

By Ann Bergstrom

One of my favorite hoodies is one that my husband gave me, which is a pictorial version of a knock knock joke:



I usually don't wear it to school, because I don't enjoy getting poked in the chest all day by children telling and re-telling the joke.

I have asked children if they understand why it is funny, and

someone once said it's funny because it is a sweatshirt with bananas on it. This got me thinking about kid humor, and the nuances of joke telling. Some children memorize jokes they have heard, and are able to re-tell them. I asked some Gan children if they knew any jokes:

Ronen: "Knock knock.

Who's there?

Banana.

Banana who?

Banana.

Banana who?

Banana.

Banana who?

Banana, aren't you glad I didn't say banana!?" (So close!)

Julian followed with: "Banana who?

Banana Baby.

Aren't you glad I didn't say orange?!?"

Leia: "Knock knock.

Who's there?

Banana.

Banana who?

Why are you crying!"

Daniel: "Why do zombies make such good workers? Because they are DEADicated!"

Kobi: "What is the pencil's favorite place? Pennsylvania!"

Maya: "Where does the cow go for fun?

To the moooooovies!"

Ilan: "Why is six afraid of nine? Because seven eight nine." (Almost!)

Some children recognize that there is a formula/pattern for telling jokes, but riff on the original jokes, using whatever they think of:

Maya: "What did the kitty do on the ground? Litter."

Leia followed with: "What did the kitty do on the ground? Stand on his butt. That's a funny joke."

Another way preschoolers tell "jokes" is to say something that is funny to them. No format, just silliness. (P.S. These usually get the most laughs when told in a group of peers.)

Quinn: " Why did the pigeon try to fly? Because he hurt his body."

Asher: "Baby joke. Boo boo ga ga joke."

Max: "I know a joke. Gee goo ga goo."

Reuben: "Bonky donkey!"

Rhyming is funny, and baby talk is hilarious. Also included in this category is anything with "eyeball" or "belly button" — pure comic gold!

Our adult world is full of so many serious things right now. I encourage you to think of a joke that you know, call a friend to tell them the joke, and hopefully share a laugh together. If you have young children in your life, ask if they know any jokes. Humor makes adulting a lot more bearable!

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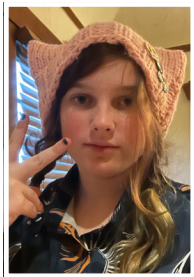
Bat Mitzvah



## Mia White - February 1, 2025

Hi! My name is Mia White. I am 12 years old and in 7th grade at Head Royce School. I enjoy playing soccer and basketball and spending time with my family and friends. My portion is Bo from Exodus and my Haftarah is Jeremiah. My portion is about freedom and decision making. I look forward to becoming part of the greater community at TBA.

Bat Mitzvah



## Roxy Winder - February 15, 2025

Hi! My name is Roxy Windler. I am 13 years old and a 7th grader at Edna Brewer. I love playing violin, creating artwork, and learning about animation. My portion is Yitro from Exodus and my Haftarah is Isaiah. My portion is about the Ten Commandments. I look forward to becoming part of the greater community at TBA.

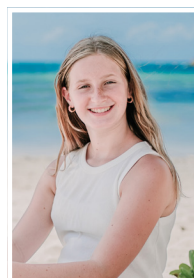
Bat Mitzvah



## Allison Heim - February 22, 2025

Hello my name is Allison. I'm in 7th grade and I go to Wood Middle School. My Torah portion is Mishpatim from Exodus. It is about laws, the future borders of Israel, and God giving Moses the commandments. I like hanging out with my friends, going to South Shore, and skiing. I look forward to becoming more involved with the TBA community as a bat mitzvah.

Bat Mitzvah



## Naomi Whittle - March 1, 2025

Hi! My name is Naomi. I'm in 7th grade, and I go to Piedmont Middle School. I enjoy swimming, listening to music, and hanging out with friends. My Torah portion is "Terumah" and comes from the Book of Exodus. We learn about the many specific details about how to build the Tabernacle. This seems like a boring list of requirements. But why are those details so important? My portion is an example of how beautiful and deep our Torah can be when the surface otherwise seems plain. I am nervous and excited to share it with my community at my bat mitzvah!

Bat Mitzvah



## Lilah June Kayman - March 15, 2025

My name is Lilah June Kayman, and I'm a seventh grader at Park Day School. I enjoy sewing costumes, reading fantasy, romance, and poetry books, and listening to music. I also fence epee, and recently qualified for the 2025 Summer Nationals. My parshah, Ki Tisa (33:12-34: 35), begins after Moses destroyed the tablets in a fit of rage. G-d forgives the Israelites, but reminds them that their sin will be remembered for generations. Moses then ascends Mount Sinai a second time to receive a new set of tablets. Upon his return, Moses's face is radiant, and so he dons a veil that is only removed when speaking with

G-d. I've really enjoyed growing up surrounded by my community at Temple Beth Abraham, and look forward to celebrating my Bat Mitzvah with you.

## Upcoming Events

By Valerie Milner

Why can't you trust atoms? They make up everything.

What makes a joke a "dad joke"? When the punch line becomes apparent (a parent).

Some of us are quick to laugh, and others not so much. But we all know that laughter is good for us. So I hope we can keep the jokes coming and bring more levity to our full and sometimes stressful lives!

WTBA is ready to do its part by bringing women together for fun and meaningful activities. We kicked off 2025 in January with a Nia dance class, attended by nearly 30 women, who were guided through a movement routine that was all about joy. Together with the Men's Group, WTBA sponsored another MacArthur Cleanup Day later in January. February will feature a Tu B'Shevat Seder on 2/13, followed by Bunco Night on 3/6. Smiles and laughter are included in all WTBA events.

## Want to learn Hebrew?

By Susan Simon

I am once again teaching a beginning Alef Bet class for adults. We will be meeting on Sunday mornings at 11 a.m. starting on Feb. 23. No prior experience is required. Class sessions last about an hour and we initially schedule for 8 weeks. You will get the most out of the class if you spend time practicing every day (even 15 minutes helps).

The cost for the class is \$100 plus the cost of the book (around \$15). To sign up, email me at [susan@tbaoakland.org](mailto:susan@tbaoakland.org). If you are a member, I can put the charge on your TBA bill. If you've been wanting to do this for a while, if you've been hesitant for lots of reasons, If you aren't sure you'll be "able" to do this contact me and let me talk you into it.

Looking forward to a wonderful new group of learners.

## Hertz scholarship: travel money for teens to Israel

By Susan Simon

Do you have a teenager who is planning on traveling to Israel this coming spring or summer?

Students who are planning on visiting Israel this year may apply for a grant from the Hertz Fund. This is a fund that was established by the Hertz family in order to encourage our young people to travel to Israel and strengthen their intellectual and emotional connection to a place that is so important to the Jewish people.

The monetary grant is made without consideration of financial need and the money can be used for anything connected with a trip to Israel by a young person who has graduated from our Bet Sefer Religious School after having attended at least four years here and/or has celebrated a Bar or Bat Mitzvah ceremony here. Students may only be recipients of a grant one time and are eligible through age 22.

The amount of each grant will depend upon how much interest the fund has generated in the past year and how many students apply for the grant. Students may apply now for any trip to be commenced any time in 2025. In return students are REQUIRED to write an article for the Omer within one month of returning home from Israel.

If your child is planning on going to Israel this year and would like to apply for a share of the Hertz Fund, please have them email [Susan@tbaoakland.org](mailto:Susan@tbaoakland.org) and request an application form. Applications must be postmarked no later than March 7th. We will be making awards shortly after that time.

## Interested in joining a chavurah?

A chavurah is a group within a congregation who do various activities together, be it Shabbat dinners or picnics or visits to museums or trips or whatever the group decides to do. Sometimes these groups are formed by interests (Jewish study, sports, music), sometimes by geography (a through the tunnel Chavurah or an Alameda Chavura), sometimes by ages.

Jeffrey and Linda Samuels have graciously agreed to help put some of these together, so please send an email to [lindaandjeffreysamuels@gmail.com](mailto:lindaandjeffreysamuels@gmail.com) and let them know you are interested. If you have an idea what kind of chavura you would like to be in, feel free to include that, but they may also send out a questionnaire to interested parties.

## Tu B'Shevat Wetlands Restoration Day: February 9

Temple Beth Abraham's Tu B'Shevat Wetlands Restoration Day with Save the Bay will be on Sunday, Feb. 9, 2025, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. This annual workday is fun for all ages. Save the Bay provides the equipment and gloves; you bring your enthusiasm and be ready to work. It's a great opportunity to help our community and spend time with TBA friends new and old.

You must register in advance (link was sent out by Jody London on Kol\_TBA).

## Kramer Cooking Purim

By Faith Kramer



One of the recipes I am asked for the most is a noodle kugel, a decadent dairy, baked casserole inspired by Eastern European Jewish food ways. While I have always enjoyed a good kugel (also called a noodle pudding), until recently I didn't have a recipe I was ready to share with the world until this one, developed to celebrate Purim (evening of March 12 through nightfall of March 13 this year),

Jam and Poppyseed Kugel has a just rich-enough base of cream cheese and sour cream, features dollops of sweet and tart plum and apricot jam and is sprinkled throughout with poppyseeds. It is also perfect for brunch or dessert any time.

For Purim foods with fillings (such as the jam pockets in this kugel) and or poppyseeds are traditional. Make ahead and reheating directions are at the end of the recipe.

### JAM AND POPPYSEED KUGEL

Serves 9

- 8 oz. uncooked wide-cut egg noodles, pappardelle or similar
- 4 Tbs. unsalted butter, melted, divided
- 1 cup sour cream, room temperature
- 8 oz. cream cheese, room temperature
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 large eggs, beaten
- 1 Tbs. lemon juice
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 Tbs. plus 1 tsp. poppy seeds
- 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp. salt

- 1 cup plum or seedless raspberry jam (see notes)
- 3/4 cup apricot or peach jam (see notes)
- 1/4 cup chopped almonds
- 2 tsp. minced lemon zest
- Sour cream or plain yogurt, optional

Put noodles in boiling, salted water. Cook according to package directions. Heat oven to 350 degrees. While noodles are cooking prep pan and dairy base.

Brush a tablespoon or so of the melted butter on the bottom on the sides of an 8-inch by 8-inch baking dish. Set aside.

In a large mixing bowl, combine the remaining melted butter and sour cream. Cut the cream cheese into 1-inch chunks. Mash into sour cream. Mix in sugar, eggs, lemon juice, vanilla, 1 Tbs. poppy seeds, cinnamon, and salt. Mix (mashing with fork if necessary) until almost smooth.

After noodles are cooked, drain and immediately add hot noodles to the dairy base. Stir well.

Stir each jam until smooth and easy to measure (add a tsp. of water if needed). Keep separate.



Add a third of the noodles to the prepared pan. Add a third of the jams by placing them in 3 rows. Start with the plum jam, put 6-1 tablespoonsful evenly distributed in 2 rows of 3 about 1-inch from the edges of the pan. Place 3-1 tablespoonsful of the apricot jam in the center of the pan. Add another third of the noodles. Place 6-1 tablespoonsful of apricot jam in 2 outer rows. Add 3-1 tablespoonsful of the plum jam in the middle row. Add last layer of noodles and top with 2 rows of the plum jam and a center row of the apricot jam (same as with the first layer).



Place pan in middle of oven. Bake 30-40 minutes until noodles on top are golden and dairy base is bubbly and set. Let cool at least 20 minutes. Sprinkle with 1 tsp. poppy seeds, almonds and lemon zest before serving hot, warm, or at room temperature. Cut into 9 pieces. Top each with sour cream if desired.

If making in advance, do not garnish. Wrap airtight in baking pan. Refrigerate for up to 3 days or freeze for up to a month. Allow to come to room temperature. Cover baking dish with foil. Reheat in preheated 350-degree oven until heated through (about 20 minutes). If desired, remove foil once warm for a few minutes to crisp top.

Notes: Omit poppyseeds if unavailable. Choose smooth jams, preserves or fruit spreads. Use at room temperature. Taste apricot jam before using. If very tart, stir in 1/2 tsp. sugar at a time to sweeten. If desired, the plum jam can be replaced by lekvar, the classic prune filling for hamantaschen. Use homemade or canned, available in many supermarkets in the baking and or kosher food section.

**Faith Kramer** writes a food column for the j., the Jewish News of Northern California (<https://www.jweekly.com/author/faith-kramer/>). She is the author of *52 Shabbats: Friday Night Dinners Inspired by a Global Jewish Kitchen* (<https://thecollectivebookstudio/52-shabbats>). More at [www.faithkramer.com](http://www.faithkramer.com).



## TBA Masquerade Gala February 8, 2025, 6 p.m.

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music and **lively dancing** will set the tone for a night of glamour, while the **magician's** captivating tricks add an extra layer of wonder. Indulge in decadent fare from **Jing Piser**, inspired by the timeless flavors of an old-fashioned New York City dining room. Each dish transports you to a world of culinary elegance, perfectly complementing the night's luxurious atmosphere.

For families, **free childcare** is available for children ages 2-12, so you can fully enjoy the evening's festivities.

**An unforgettable evening of charm, allure, and enchantment awaits.**

**Click here to RSVP! - <https://shorturl.at/wJZ4q>**

## Chuck Bernstein: TBA President, 1996-1997

By Jody London

*This is the fourth profile in our series on the Presidents of Temple Beth Abraham.*



Chuck Bernstein and Joanne Goldstein started coming to Friday night services at Temple Beth Abraham (TBA) when their older daughter was six months old. At the time, Friday night services were led by Isaac Sevi (z"l), a Holocaust survivor who had grown up in Salonika, Greece. Isaac incorporated Sephardic melodies that Chuck and Joanne appreciated. Everyone was very welcoming and loved having a baby in the congregation. When Isaac retired from leading the Friday night services, Chuck took on that role.

It was a past president of TBA who recruited Chuck to be President, after he had been on the TBA Board and Executive Committee for several years. Chuck recalls, "Leo Wasserman, may he rest in peace, was very active as a past president. He basically said, you need to be the next president, or words to that effect. He said, 'you know, it is time for your generation to step up.'"

The President at the time was Frank Weinberg (z"l). When Chuck was first approached, the timing was not quite right. "I told Leo and Frank that if Frank served an atypical third term that I would then become the next president. And so he did. And I did."

Chuck's older daughter became Bat Mitzvah while Chuck was President. The family wanted the Bat Mitzvah to be welcoming for TBA members. Chuck explains, "It was something that as a president, you want to feel connected to the whole community as much as possible." A large, festive kiddush lunch with dancing to a klezmer band followed services.

The evening celebration was held at the Oakland Ice Arena. The day of the Bat Mitzvah, there was a big power outage in Oakland. They were worried whether the power would come on in time, whether the ice would melt while the power was out, whether the party would happen at all. Luckily, the power was restored in time and the party was great fun, starting with Havdallah on the ice, food stations around the rink, a DJ in the stands for those who wanted to dance, and folks doing the macarena on skates.

Discovering and hiring Cantor Richard Kaplan (z"l) was the most gratifying aspect of being TBA President for Chuck. Chuck attended a Yom Hashoah observance at Temple Beth Jacob (at that time, the Yom Hashoah observance rotated among TBA, Temple Beth Jacob, and Temple Sinai). Richard chanted El Maleh Rahamim.

Chuck remembers, "We were sitting near Alan Silver. And I looked at him and I said, 'Who is that? And can we hire him?'"

At the time, Richard was not ordained as a cantor. He was known as a musician who performed music from around the world. Chuck remembers, "He (Richard) started out part-time, and over time as he and the congregation came to know, appreciate and love each other, he became full-time. It was very gratifying to me to see his development from a singer to a Hazzan with kavana."

When asked about the most challenging issue Chuck faced as president, the answer is simple: money. "The synagogue always seemed short of funds for its operating needs," Chuck says. "And that was always the biggest challenge."

The Endowment Fund provided an allotment on a regular basis to the general fund, and most of that went to the Cantor's salary. Chuck talks about the challenge of setting up a dues structure. "You want people to feel welcome, but you don't want to be taken advantage of. We know of synagogues where they maybe don't really ask for tax returns, but they're fairly strict about what they think an individual should pay based on their known or perceived income. We never did that. And it's a good thing because it doesn't put pressure on the membership. It's not a good thing because you're never sure quite how much money you're going to have coming in for any given year. And you try to structure the dues in a way that the majority of people can at least pay their fair share."

Chuck credits the Treasurer at the time, Steve Kliegman, a CPA, for refining the budget development process, tracking funds, and identifying and contacting members who appeared to have the resources to make greater contributions. Two fundraising events were initiated during Chuck's tenure: Mishloach Manot, which has survived and grown over the past 29 years, and Sports Night, which is no longer but was always a family favorite activity.

Chuck's wish for the synagogue going forward is quickly stated. "I hope that it can retain the momentum that it has built with Mark Bloom's tenure."

Chuck was part of the search committee that hired Rabbi Bloom in 2001. He initially was concerned about the shiddach between TBA and Rabbi Bloom because Rabbi Bloom had not been ordained in the Conservative movement. However, the union has flourished. "It's obviously turned out well. Rabbi Bloom has done an incredible job. I just hope that when he calls it a career, we can keep the momentum going and find somebody who can pick up the baton and continue to carry it forward."

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Linda O'Brien  
Agnes Pencovic  
Joe Zatzkin  
Sherman Golub  
Sylvia Karsh  
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Ruth Zielenziger  
Sarah Blumberg  
Rae Fine  
Sarah Herskowitz  
Blanche Jacobs  
Mollie Laub  
Morris Rothman  
Aubrey Broudy  
Dora Davis  
Jennie Dickson  
Joseph Jacobs  
Moshe Naggar  
Jean Kristal Rubin  
Shoshanah Shoshani  
Harford (Jack) White  
Fanny Grey-Klein  
David Saidian  
Mattie Wachsman  
Marion Newman Wolf  
Mary Leon  
Harry H. Levine  
Jacob Lobel  
Zelda Rosenfeld  
Pearl Coopersmith  
Rabbi Ralph DeKoven  
Lily Mary Fogelson  
Rose Jacobovich  
Max Levien  
William Morofsky

## 17 - 23 SHEVAT

### February 15 - 21

Donna Goldfein  
Sara Heber  
Shirley Doris Hyman  
Klezmer  
Dorothy Peterson  
Beatrice Rehr  
Phil Rotblatt  
Goldie Shapiro  
Barnett Epstein  
Abraham Grutman  
Celia Kaden

Freda Klarman  
Max Brick  
Selma Jackson  
Theo Joseph  
Norbert Nemon  
Harold Silberzweig  
Ernest Weiner  
Edward Friendly  
Blanche Neuman  
Lillian Raphael  
Fay Schaefer  
George Tabak  
Adolph Wollner  
Thomas W. Cain  
Louis Feldman  
Seymour Miller  
Joseph Morvai  
David Okh  
Gertrude Yarman  
Reuven Yaron  
Joel Carey  
Jack Coulter  
Joseph Grutman  
Ann Rapson  
Lawrence A. "Sonny"  
Singerman  
Irwin Barany  
Etty Bernstein  
Eleanore Leon  
Isaac Shatzkin  
Lucille Tama

## 24 - 30 SHEVAT

### February 22 = 28

Mark Evan Cyprus  
Harold Tott Frankel  
Arlene Gillette  
Ethel Engel  
Gertrude Kingston  
Betty Mosko  
Charles Somers  
Irwin Weintraub  
Sidney Backer  
Jean Charlesworth  
Alexis Falquier  
Fernando Garcia  
Al Rothman  
Allan Stone  
Julian Wolf  
Samuel Bandel  
Elizabeth Bernstein

Frieda Blatter  
Elyse Bleaman  
Hyman Brodke  
Robert Bruner  
Joseph Gould  
Samuel Aaron Grinberg  
Rose Hillman  
Bernard Pollack  
Milton Weiner  
Leonard Wolf  
Irving Goronkin  
Shirley Gould  
Bernice Gurtoff  
Samuel Jackson  
Harvey Jacobs  
Rose Kotz  
Sam Wolf  
Joseph Zuckerberg  
John Eberhart  
Dorothy Glasser  
Shirley Goldberg  
Joseph G. Kay  
Joseph Kvint  
Melissa Anne Powers  
Irma Robinson  
Lillian Adler  
Helen Aldeff  
Eric Baum  
David Disco  
Avraham Elbert  
Paul Gildea  
Kalman Gluck  
Helen Golden  
Pearl S. Goodman

## 1 - 7 ADAR

### March 1 - 7

Judy Berkowitz  
Rose Bruder  
Cora Coulter  
Irving Selig Goldman  
Cassel Gulinson  
Anna Jacobs  
Moses Seligson  
Denise David  
Goldine Jacobs  
Marjorie Kauffman  
Celia Kessler  
Julius Kohn

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Joel LaLone  
Simon Lerch  
Sheldon Messinger  
Sydney Sylvia Ross  
Ruth Roth  
Mabel Stevens  
Jack Weingarten  
Mary Berger  
Roberta Blasenstein  
Raymond Chun  
Annie Finkelstein  
Matilda Bloom  
Holzman  
Helen Katzburg  
Marion Morris  
Benjamin Ottovich  
Flora Boston Bordelon  
Jules Kohn  
Louis Rothenberg  
Daniel Shuster  
Jerome Turchin  
Milton Weintraub  
Beatrice Kahn Boykoff  
Irving Braaf  
Judy Masliyah  
Max Pearl  
Clara Ramo  
Robert Burnstein  
Philip Samuel Frucht  
Celia Goldstein  
Dianne Kleinmann  
Harry David Levine  
Bernice Lobel  
Harry Simon  
Frederick Harland  
Spector  
Abraham Baim  
Anna Cohen  
Tille Cohen  
Sylvia Hertz  
Sigmund Kaplan  
Sara Schmulowitz  
Arthur Yarman

## 8 - 14 ADAR

### March 8 - 14

Louis Adler  
Rachel Aelion  
Philip Bakar  
Charles Bernard  
Bernstein  
Arnold Liss  
Henry Ramek

Beatrice Toas  
Phyllis Zangwill  
Avram Mendel  
Goldberg  
Harry Goldenhar  
Erwin Don Katz  
Sue Kraft  
Edythe Schultz  
Harry Tessel  
Regina Weiss  
Gail Dorter  
Edward Gordon  
Willliam Miller  
Susan Moore  
Samson Nour-Omid  
Ida Puro  
Lilly Shoehalter  
Nancy von Kugelgen  
Nathan Feldman  
Jack Pitter  
Jacob Saidian  
Daniel Wasserman  
Milt Weiner  
Shirley Abrams  
Mollie Forkos  
Eleanor Goldberg  
Phyllis Goldberg  
Sara Goldberg  
James Jonas  
Nathan Polse  
Jacob Rubin  
Lloyd Silver  
Howard Morse Spector  
Sheba Widlan Bookin  
Mike Carrillo  
Becky Chun  
Jennie Coopersmith  
Ruth Miriam Cowan  
Ella Soss Davis  
Ernest Harvey Friedman  
William Groskopf  
Patricia Kepler  
Celia Kessler  
Kurt Kleinmann  
Ira Kurtz  
Shirley Langfeld  
Morrey Ranzer  
Lawrence Rothstein  
Dorothy Sarver  
Susanne Spritzer  
Sidney Jerome  
Zywotow  
Isaac Biederman  
Ziesel Friedman

Minnie Isenberg  
Daniel A. King  
Marsha Pitter  
Martin Polon  
Richard Reinman  
Eli Schwartz  
**15 - 21 ADAR**  
**March 15 - 21**  
Olga Banks  
Moses Frankel  
Emily G. Friedman  
Esther Gershenson  
Shirley Handloff  
Leon Jaffe  
Phyllis Kaizer  
Lillian Levine  
Isador Margolin  
Rachael Rutter  
Arnold Shuster  
Goldie Weisbrod  
Helen Goldberg  
Latifa Naggar  
Barbara Perl  
Ury Rath  
Jules Saxe  
William Tenery  
Harold Usef  
J. Leon Bloch  
Charles Marcus  
Debbie Simon  
Dora Spellman  
Ben Barnett  
Goldie Brody  
Mary Gross  
Max Lutz  
Ida B. Edelson Riskind  
Martin Howard  
Semendoff  
Harvey Casson  
Audrey Cohen  
Claire Gordon  
John Daniel Rego  
Louis Schwartz  
Robert Selvidge  
Regina Singer  
Natalie Berg  
Francisco Martinez, Sr.  
Marlene Mae Seifer  
Allen Silver  
Abraham Silverman  
Sara Barach  
Neil Boorstyn  
Theodor Finkelstein

David Galant  
Harry Jaffe  
Carol Kirsch  
Sam Pachefsky  
Esther Segal  
**22 - 28 ADAR**  
**March 22 - 28**  
Richard Bersin  
Sophie Breslov  
Max Clar  
Baltazar Pacheco  
Montesinos  
Carol Robinson  
Midred Arenbart Adler  
Pauline Belzer  
Sue Kantor  
Ethel Rose Kapler  
Carol Rosenberg  
Faye Zaslov  
Maria Belina  
Kate M. Berkovitz  
Morris K. Cohen  
Mildred Davis  
Morris Davis  
Anna Dietz  
Esther Simmi Gold  
Albert Hyman  
Freda Katz  
Morris Lerman  
Horace Joseph Marx  
Bernard Polston  
Bernice Ring  
David Rosenfeld  
David Weinstein  
Miriam Goldberg  
Esther Morofsky  
Saul Pearce  
Maury Polse  
Goldie Alper  
Robert Bostick  
Leonard Fixler  
Peter Hecht  
Marjorie Rosenberg  
Jennie Rosenzweig  
Joseph Samuels  
Kikumi Satomi  
Herman Zatkin  
Edythe Zuckerberg  
Ariel David  
Joeseeph Kantor  
Melvin Klein  
Abraham Louis  
Schneider



## Charity is equal in importance to all the other commandments combined.

Leo Wood  
Sam Frankel  
Jack Helfend  
Manfred Wildmann

**29 ADAR - 2 NISSAN****March 29 - 31**

Barbara May Benjamin  
Boris Carasick  
Alexander Kaufman  
Eileen Kessler  
Michael Lasar  
Mary Leavitt  
Tom Miller  
Samuel Neuman  
Arleen Shub Robinowitz  
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Regina Mendel

**Bet Sefer Discretionary Fund**

Fifi Goodfellow, in memory of  
Yvonne & Isaac Marcus

**Gan Avraham Discretionary**

Allen Rubin, in memory of  
Ellen Rubin

**High Holy Day - General**

Rayna & Saul Arnold  
Barbara Berman  
Charles Bernstein &  
Joanne Goldstein  
Leon & Judy Bloomfield  
Raphael Breines & Rinat Fried  
Ari & Becky Brown  
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Deborah Hoffman-Wade  
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Beth Glick  
Fifi Goodfellow  
Philip & Dina Hankin  
Ytzhack & Etta Heber  
Rick Heeger & Alice Hale  
Booker Holton & Elaine Gerstler  
Jonathan & Joy Jacobs  
Richard & Audrey Kauffman  
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Janet King  
Stuart & Jeanne Korn  
Betty Krachman  
Jerrold & Anne Levine  
Mark Liss & Bonnie Burt  
Talia Loewenstein  
Michael & Katherine Maidenberg  
Mark & Valerie Milner  
Frank Offen  
Barbara Oseroff  
Jacqueline Palchik  
Michelle Pearl  
Joel Piser & Jing Weng Hsieh  
John Rego &  
Deborah Kahane Rego  
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Sandra Rappaport  
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Seth & Abi Muthu Eckstein  
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Rachel Kuperman  
Jeremy & Frances Fisher  
Aaron & Rachel Friedman  
Alan Gellman &  
Arlene Zuckerberg  
Reuven Glick & Marci Gottlieb  
Aaron Goldberg & Amy Gerard  
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David Goldstein &  
Sharon Shoshani  
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 Jason Welle  
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### **High Holy Day - Endowment**

Rayna & Saul Arnold  
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 Joanne Goldstein  
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 Raphael Breines & Rinat Fried  
 Michael & Kathy Burge  
 Alicia Cernitz  
 Kyle & Allia DeLand  
 Avi & Patricia Eliahu  
 Michael Gelfand &  
 Deborah Hoffman-Wade  
 Peter Gertler  
 Fifi Goodfellow  
 Nicole Gordon  
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 Richard & Audrey Kauffman  
 Randall & Jan Kessler  
 Janet King  
 Stuart & Jeanne Korn  
 Jerrold & Anne Levine  
 Mark Liss & Bonnie Burt  
 Mark & Valerie Milner  
 Barbara Oseroff  
 Jacqueline Palchik  
 Joel Piser & Jing Weng Hsieh  
 Max & Tory Roman  
 Steven Rosenthal & Ailsa Steckel  
 Sheldon & Barbara Rothblatt  
 Allen Rubin  
 Richard & Joan Rubin  
 Gary Sherne & Sandra Frucht  
 Alex & Maya Shimberg  
 Aaron & Rebecca Skiles  
 Greg & Jessica Sterling

Stephen & Amy Tessler  
 Murray & Flora Toas  
 Freya Turchen  
 Andy & Marcia Wasserman  
 Josh Weiss &  
 Janna Lipman Weiss  
 Hugo & Laura Wildmann  
 Rami & Daphne Albert  
 Fabio Baum & Renat Engel  
 Steven Berl & Anita Bloch  
 Miguel Braojos & Yadhira Silva  
 Joshua Broitman, in memory of  
 Mitch Goodman  
 Marc & Eden Bruner  
 Todd & Victoria Carlisle  
 Marvin Cohen &  
 Suzy Locke Cohen  
 Howard Davis  
 Keith & Marlene Dines  
 Matthew Disco &  
 Sandra Rappaport  
 Dan & Angela Engel  
 Joseph & Judith Epstein, in  
 memory of Sam & Rebecca  
 Epstein  
 Jon Feldhammer &  
 Rachel Kuperman  
 Aaron & Rachel Friedman  
 Alan Gellman &  
 Arlene Zuckerberg  
 Reuven Glick & Marci Gottlieb  
 Dean Goldfein & Tamira Elul  
 Jon Golding & Carla Itzkowich  
 Sandy Gross & Paula Reinman  
 Jeff Gutkin & Helene Blatter  
 Tony & Jeanee Hoffman  
 Benjamin & Amber Hyman  
 Daniel Jaffe & Yael Yakar  
 Matthew & Lucia Jaffe  
 Joseph Karwat & Stacy Month  
 Julie Katz  
 Ian & Karen Kelley  
 Dawn Kepler & Mark Snyder  
 Drew & Jessica Kessler  
 Jason Klein &

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 Joshua Polston &  
 Lisa Spielman Polston  
 Josh & Rebecca Posamentier  
 Larry & Deborah Reback  
 Jess & Shana Rigelhaupt  
 Tsutomu Satomi &  
 Hildie Spritzer  
 David & Elisabeth Schleuning  
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 Bryan Schwartz &  
 Gabriela Marini  
 Will & Rebecca Sparks  
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 Andres & Gabriela Turner  
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 Benjamin & Jenette Woskow  
 Steven & Victoria Zatkan

## General Fund

Charles Bernstein & Joanne  
 Goldstein, in honor of  
 Rayna & Virginia  
 Charles Bernstein &  
 Joanne Goldstein,  
 in memory of George King  
 Charles Bernstein &  
 Joanne Goldstein,  
 in memory of Harvey Braaf

Joshua & Heidi Bersin  
 Joshua & Heidi Bersin,  
 in memory of Harvey Braaf,  
 Flo Raskin's father  
 Abigail Bornstein  
 Miguel Braojos & Yadhira Silva,  
 in memory of  
 Roxana Angelita Silva Mendoza  
 Joseph & Judith Epstein,  
 in memory of Sarah V Epstein  
 Glenn & Amy Friedman, in  
 memory of Augusta Weinberger  
 Glenn & Amy Friedman, in  
 memory of Michael Wallerstein  
 Glenn & Amy Friedman, in  
 memory of Robert Wallerstein  
 Marianne Friedman,  
 in memory of Jacques Adler  
 Louis & Lisa Goodman, in  
 memory of Herbert S Goodman  
 Greenstein Family,  
 in memory of Morey Greenstein  
 Sandy Gross & Paula Reinman,  
 in memory of Harvey Braaf  
 Sari Grossman,  
 in memory of George King  
 Michelle Hellerstein, in memory  
 of Linda Steuer  
 Brett & Robyn Hodess, in  
 memory of Brett Hodess  
 Harold & Mimi Jaffe,  
 in memory of Sophie Krantz  
 Matthew & Lucia Jaffe,  
 in memory of Pablo Macias  
 Robert Klein & Doreen Alper,  
 in memory of my dear friend,  
 Judy Stalow  
 Marshall & Lynn Langfeld,  
 in memory of Harvey Braaf  
 Brian Martin, in honor of  
 Susan Simon for privately  
 tutoring me in cantillation  
 Madeline Mendelsohn, in  
 memory of George King  
 Mark & Maribel Mogill,  
 in memory of Minette Mogill  
 Barbara Oseroff,

in memory of Harvey Braaf  
 Aaron & Eva Levien Paul  
 Jonathan Ring & Maya Rath,  
 in memory of Flo Raskin's  
 father, Harvey Braaf  
 Sheldon & Barbara Rothblatt,  
 in memory of George King  
 Allen Rubin,  
 in memory of Eileen Pachefsky  
 Carol Saidian,  
 in memory of Hezghia Saidian  
 Curtis & Adi Schacker,  
 in memory of Eli Miller and  
 Neria Ben David  
 Dan & Megan Shaked  
 Mark & Lori Spiegel, in memory  
 of Josef Spiegel & Masao Kishi  
 Andy & Marcia Wasserman  
 Victor White & Julia Inobe,  
 in honor of Mia White's  
 upcoming bat-mitzvah

## Prayerbook

Alda Pacheco & Elfer Silva,  
 in memory of  
 Benardina Puelles Soto

## Burton Polse Kiddush Fund

Richard & Naomi Applebaum  
 Richard & Naomi Applebaum  
 Rayna & Saul Arnold, in memory  
 of Rabbi Herbert Morris  
 Rayna & Saul Arnold, to our  
 Caterers, Thank you for making  
 Shabbat yummy!  
 Dan & Angela Engel  
 Joseph & Judith Epstein, in  
 memory of Rebecca Epstein  
 Fifi Goodfellow, in memory of  
 Esther Naggar  
 Michael & Renee Marx  
 Aaron & Eva Levien Paul  
 Hilda Pressman, in memory of  
 Bea Tuckman

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Steven Rosenthal & Ailsa Steckel,  
in memory of Michael Stevens  
Derek & Naomi Wetmore

### **Jack & Jenette Jeger Kitchen**

Joel Piser & Jing Weng Hsieh,  
in memory of Alfred Gross  
Joel Piser & Jing Weng Hsieh,  
in memory of Fanny Mae Piser  
Joel Piser & Jing Weng Hsieh,  
in memory of Toni W. Berke

### **Minyan Fund**

Barry Barnes & Samantha  
Spielman, in memory of  
Marvin Spielman  
Daniel & Anne Bookin,  
in memory of Sonia Greenberg  
May Sor Israel,  
in memory of Arthur Sussman  
Roma & Thomas Lascano,  
in memory of Rabbi Hayim  
Goren Perelmuter  
Mark Liss & Bonnie Burt,  
in honor of Steve Shub  
Sheldon & Barbara Rothblatt,  
in memory of Flo Raskin's  
father, Harvey Braaf  
Sheldon & Barbara Rothblatt,  
in memory of my brother,  
Rabbi Joel Goor  
Freya Turchen,  
in memory of Max Turchen

### **Rabbi Bloom Discretionary**

Miguel Braojos & Yadhira Silva,  
in memory of Roxana Angelita  
Silva Mendoza  
Marvin Cohen & Suzy Locke  
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in memory of Carl Freeman  
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in memory of Charlene Eberhart  
Jerrold & Anne Levine,  
in memory of Edna Levine  
  
Max & Tory Roman,  
in memory of Michael &  
Kathy Roman  
Jeffrey & Linda Samuels,  
in honor of the conversion of  
Elliana Rafferty Scott Samuels  
Michael & Deborah Sosebee,  
in memory of Flo Raskin's  
father, Harvey  
Freya Turchen,  
in memory of Geraldine

Turchen

Andy & Marcia Wasserman  
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in memory of George King

### **Endowment Fund**

Richard & Naomi Applebaum  
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### **Herman Hertz Israel Scholarship Fund**

Evelyn Hertz,  
in memory of Paul Hertz

### **Mollie Hertz Interfaith Outreach Fund**

Gerald & Ruby Hertz,  
in memory of Sam Morow  
Gerald & Ruby Hertz,  
in memory of Sarah Morofsky  
Jeri & Marvin Schechtman, in  
memory of Stanley Schechtman

### **Wasserman Adult Education**

Linda Casson-Nudell &  
Rabbi George Nudell,  
in memory of Sophie Casson  
Fifi Goodfellow, in memory of  
Herbert A Goodfellow

### **Pola Silver Teen Holocaust Education Trip Fund**

Jordan & Sarah Rothe, in  
memory of Ruben Curtin

## Recent Deaths in Our Community

Harvey Braaf, congregant, father of Flo (Paul) Raskin  
Suzanne Lazimi, mother of Caroline Hastings (Ward Hagar)  
Barry Turchen, brother of Freya Turchen



*May their memory be for a blessing*



## *Mazel Tov to:*

**Jacob & Dara Raskin**  
on the birth daughter, Ellis



## *Welcome New Members*

**Domique Wiley**

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You are never too young to plan for the future!

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# FEBRUARY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2025			3 – 30 SHEVAT 5785			
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<b>1 (3 Shevat)</b> <b>Parashat Bo</b>  9:00am A Taste of Text Study via zoom 9:30am Shabbat Services <i>Bat Mitzvah of Mia White</i> 10:00am T'fillat Y'ladam 10:30am Shabbat Mishpacha 12:45pm Mah Jongg  6:16p Havdalah
<b>2 (4 Shevat)</b>  10:00am Beginning Alef Bet 11:00am Beginning Adult Hebrew 6:00pm All Tichon Classes 7:30pm Intro to Judaism	<b>3 (5 Shevat)</b>  8:00am Morning Minyan  7:00pm Gentle Yoga	<b>4 (6 Shevat)</b>  4:00pm Bet Sefer	<b>5 (7 Shevat)</b>  9:00am Weekly Text Study 1:00pm WTBA Bingo at Reutlinger 7:00pm BBYO	<b>6 (8 Shevat)</b>  8:00am Morning Minyan 4:00pm Bet Sefer 7:00pm Men's Club Poker	<b>7 (9 Shevat)</b>  6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service with GleeBA  5:22p Candle lighting	<b>8 (10 Shevat)</b> <b>Shabbat Shirah</b> <b>Parashat Beshalach</b>  9:00am A Taste of Text Study via zoom 9:30am Shabbat Services 10:00am Junior Congregation <b>6:00pm Masquerade Gala</b>  5:53p Havdalah
<b>9 (11 Shevat)</b>  10:00am Save The Bay-Wetland Day 10:00am Beginning Alef Bet 10:30am Jewish Baby Network-PJ Library 11:00am Beginning Adult Hebrew 3:00pm TBA Family Superbowl Watch Party 6:00pm All Tichon Classes 7:30pm Intro to Judaism	<b>10 (12 Shevat)</b>  8:00am Morning Minyan  7:00pm Gentle Yoga	<b>11 (13 Shevat)</b>  4:00pm Bet Sefer	<b>12 (14 Shevat)</b>  9:00am Weekly Text Study  7:00pm BBYO	<b>13 (15 Shevat)</b> <b>Tu B'Shevat</b>  8:00am Morning Minyan 4:00pm Bet Sefer 6:30pm WTBA Tu B'Shevat Seder	<b>14 (16 Shevat)</b> <b>Valentine's Day</b> <b>Gan CLOSED for staff workday</b>    6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service  5:30p Candle lighting	<b>15 (17 Shevat)</b> <b>Parashat Yitro</b>  9:00am A Taste of Text Study via zoom 9:30am Shabbat Services <i>Bat Mitzvah of Roxy Windler</i> 12:45pm Mah Jongg  6:31p Havdalah
<b>16 (18 Shevat)</b>  10:00am Beginning Alef Bet 11:00am Beginning Adult Hebrew 5:00pm Men's Club volunteers at CityTeam NO Tichon Classes 7:30pm Intro to Judaism	<b>17 (19 Shevat)</b> <b>Presidents' Day</b>  <b>Gan &amp; Office closed</b>  8:00am Morning Minyan 7:00pm Gentle Yoga	<b>18 (20 Shevat)</b>	<b>NO BET SEFER THIS WEEK</b>		<b>21 (23 Shevat)</b>  6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat  5:37p Candle lighting	<b>22 (24 Shevat)</b> <b>Parashat Mishpatim</b> <b>Mevarchim Chodesh Adar</b>  9:00am A Taste of Text Study via zoom 9:30am Shabbat Services <i>Bat Mitzvah of Allison Heim</i>  6:39p Havdalah
<b>23 (25 Shevat)</b>  10:00am Beginning Alef Bet 11:00am Beginning Adult Hebrew 10:00am PJ Library Play Day 6:00pm All Tichon Classes 7:30pm Intro to Judaism	<b>24 (26 Shevat)</b>  8:00am Morning Minyan 7:00pm Gentle Yoga 7:30pm Rosh Chodesh study group via zoom	<b>25 (27 Shevat)</b>  4:00pm Bet Sefer 7:30pm TBA Board Mtg	<b>26 (28 Shevat)</b>  9:00am Weekly Text Study  7:00pm BBYO	<b>27 (29 Shevat)</b>  8:00am Morning Minyan 4:00pm Bet Sefer	<b>28 (30 Shevat)</b> <b>Rosh Chodesh Adar</b>  6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat  5:44p Candle lighting	

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						<b>1 (1 Adar)</b> <b>Shabbat Shekalim</b> <b>Rosh Chodesh Adar</b> <b>Parashat Terumah</b> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study via zoom 9:30am Shabbat Services <i>Bat Mitzvah of Naomi Whittle</i> 10:00am Tfillat Y'ladim 10:30am Shabbat Mishpacha 12:45pm Mah Jongg 6:46p Havdalah
<b>2 (2 Adar)</b> 10:00am Beginning Alef Bet 11:00am Beginning Adult Hebrew 6:00pm All Tichon Classes 7:30pm Intro to Judaism	<b>3 (3 Adar)</b> 8:00am Morning Minyan 7:00pm Gentle Yoga	<b>4 (4 Adar)</b> 4:00pm Bet Sefer	<b>5 (5 Adar)</b> 9:00am Weekly Text Study 1:00pm WTBA Bingo at Reutlinger Home 7:00pm BBYO	<b>6 (6 Adar)</b> 8:00am Morning Minyan 4:00pm Bet Sefer 7:00pm WTBA Girls Night Out - Bunco	<b>7 (7 Adar)</b> 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service Bet Sefer Gimmel & Dalet Share a Shabbat 5:51p Candle lighting	<b>8 (8 Adar)</b> <b>Shabbat Shirah</b> <b>Parashat Beshalach</b> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study via zoom 9:30am Shabbat Services Gan Shabbat 10:00am Junior Congregation 6:53p Havdalah
<b>9 (9 Adar)</b> <b>DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS</b> <b>Purim Basket Delivery</b> 10:00am Beginning Alef Bet 11:00am Beginning Adult Hebrew 6:00pm All Tichon Classes 7:30pm Intro to Judaism	<b>10 (10 Adar)</b> 8:00am Morning Minyan 7:00pm Gentle Yoga	<b>11 (11 Adar)</b> 4:00pm Bet Sefer	<b>12 (12 Adar)</b> 9:00am Weekly Text Study 7:00pm BBYO	<b>13 (13 Adar)</b> <b>Erev Purim</b> 8:00am Morning Minyan NO Bet Sefer <b>6:15pm Erev Purim Rock n roll Service</b>	<b>14 (14 Adar)</b> <b>Purim</b> 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:58p Candle lighting	<b>15 (15 Adar)</b> <b>Shushan Purim</b> <b>Parashat Ki Tisa</b> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study via zoom 9:30am Shabbat Services <i>Bat Mitzvah of June (Lila) Kayman</i> 12:45pm Mah Jongg 7:59p Havdalah
<b>16 (16 Adar)</b> <b>Purim Meshulash</b> 10:00am Beginning Alef Bet 11:00am Beginning Adult Hebrew 2:00pm PJ Library Purim Carnival 5:00pm Men's Club serves at CityTeam 7:30pm Intro to Judaism	<b>17 (17 Adar)</b> 8:00am Morning Minyan 7:00pm Gentle Yoga	<b>18 (18 Adar)</b> 4:00pm Bet Sefer	<b>19 (19 Adar)</b> 9:00am Weekly Text Study 7:00pm BBYO	<b>20 (20 Adar)</b> 8:00am Morning Minyan 4:00pm Bet Sefer	<b>21 (21 Adar)</b> 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:04p Candle lighting	<b>22 (22 Adar)</b> <b>Shabbat Parah</b> <b>Parashat Vayakhel</b> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study via zoom 9:30am Shabbat Services Tree of Life Dedication 8:06p Havdalah
<b>23 (23 Adar)</b> 10:00am Beginning Alef Bet 11:00am Beginning Adult Hebrew 6:00pm All Tichon Classes 7:30pm Intro to Judaism	<b>24 (24 Adar)</b> 8:00am Morning Minyan 7:00pm Gentle Yoga 7:30pm Rosh Chodesh Study Group	<b>25 (25 Adar)</b> 4:00pm Bet Sefer 7:30pm TBA Board Mtg	<b>26 (26 Adar)</b> 9:00am Weekly Text Study 7:00pm BBYO	<b>27 (27 Adar)</b> 8:00am Morning Minyan 4:00pm Bet Sefer	<b>28 (28 Adar)</b> <b>Gan closed for staff work day</b> 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:11p Candle lighting	<b>29 (29 Adar)</b> <b>Shabbat HaChodesh</b> <b>Parashat Pekudei</b> <b>Mevarchim Chodesh Nisan</b> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study via zoom 9:30am Shabbat Services 8:12p Havdalah
<b>30 (1 Nisan)</b> 10:00am Beginning Alef Bet 11:00am Beginning Adult Hebrew 6:00pm All Tichon Classes 7:30pm Intro to Judaism	<b>31 (2 Nisan)</b> 8:00am Morning Minyan 7:00pm Gentle Yoga					

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