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IN THIS ISSUE
I’m sitting in our congregation’s gorgeous sukkah as I write this column, and I’m thinking of Israel. I guess that’s what sitting in a sukkah is supposed to inspire.

We sit in the sukkah to remember the experience of our ancestors who lived in these temporary shelters in the fields of the land of Israel, as they brought in the harvest. When I take out the lulav and etrog for the Sukkot service tonight, I’ll touch the branches and smell the citrusy smell, and I’ll think of Israel again. These branches and this fruit were harvested from that land and were shipped thousands of miles to Brooklyn. And then Rabbi Yaffe from Chabad of the Shoreline drove them to Connecticut.

This is why I’m so excited that by the time this Whole Megilah reaches you, I will be in Israel with Reverend Kathy Peters and 21 congregants from CBSRZ and the United Church of Chester. Aside from myself, everyone going on this trip is a first-time visitor to Israel. I can’t wait to live through them as they touch the Western Wall, smell the incense in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, taste the foods, and feel that visceral connection for the first time.

We go to such lengths to connect to this distant place, through rituals and symbols, through sacred text and prayer. We face East for our worship, we pray constantly for the peace of Jerusalem. And many of us follow the politics closely. But all of this can be very abstract, and it can be hard for many of us to feel a yearning or a connection to this place that is so far away.

And this is because Israel is a REAL place! A place that you have to see and touch and smell and hear and walk with your own body and your own being in order to feel connected to it. There is nothing like hearing Hebrew on the radio, seeing streets named after heroes and heroines of Jewish history, smelling fresh challah in the market on Friday, walking to synagogue on Shabbat along with hundreds of fellow Jews, touching the stones of the wall of the ancient Temple.

We are also planning a trip to Israel for families with children for the end of June, beginning of July 2015. I hope that you will make a New Year’s commitment to yourself to travel to Israel – if not this year, then next year.

The tactile, bodily experience of being in Israel is the surest way to implant that Eastward yearning in your Jewish heart. The Hebrew poet Yehuda Halevi, living in Muslim Spain in the twelfth century, captured that yearning so beautifully in the poem below:

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**My Heart is in the East**

My heart is in the East, and I am at the ends of the West;  
How can I taste what I eat and how could it be pleasing to me?  
How shall I render my vows and my bonds, while yet  
Zion lies beneath the fetter of Edom, and I am in the chains of Arabia?  
It would be easy for me to leave all the bounty of Spain—  
As it is precious for me to behold the dust of the desolate sanctuary.
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**November Worship Services**

Wednesday, November 5, 8:00 AM, Morning Minyan  
Friday, November 7, 5:45 PM, Tot Shabbat; 6:15 PM, Dairy Potluck Dinner; 7:00 PM, First Friday Shabbat Service  
Saturday, November 8, 10:30 AM, Second Saturday Shabbat Service and Kiddush Lunch  
Wednesday, November 12, 8:00 AM, Morning Minyan  
Friday, November 14, 5:45 AM, Abbreviated Shabbat Service  
Followed by Dinners in Congregants’ Homes  
Wednesday, November 19, 8:00 AM, Morning Minyan  
Friday, November 21, 7:30 PM, Shabbat Service with Choir  
Saturday, November 22, 10:30 AM Shabbat Service and Bat Mitzvah of Rachel Cohen  
Sunday, November 23, 4:00 PM, Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at Killingworth UCC  
Wednesday, November 26, 8:00 AM, Morning Minyan  
Friday, November 28; 7:30 PM, Erev Shabbat Service

**December Worship Services**

Wednesday, December 3, 8:00 AM, Morning Minyan  
Friday, December 5, 5:45 PM, Tot Shabbat; 6:15 PM, Dairy Potluck Dinner; 7:00 PM, First Friday Shabbat Service  
Wednesday, December 10, 8:00 AM, Morning Minyan  
Friday, December 12, 5:45 PM, Human Rights Shabbat Service  
Saturday, December 13, 10:30 Second Saturday Service with Kiddush Lunch  
Sunday, December 14, 3:00–5:00 PM, Adult Education Event  
Wednesday, December 17, 8:00 AM, Morning Minyan  
Friday, December 19, Non-Dairy Potluck Dinner with Latkes; 7:00 PM Channukah Service  
Wednesday December 24, 8:00 AM, Morning Minyan  
Friday, December 26, 5:45 PM, Erev Shabbat Service  
Wednesday December 31, 8:00 AM, Morning Minyan

**November Events**

Saturday, November 1, 10:30 AM, B’nai Mitzvah Workshop  
Sunday, November 2, 12:00–3:00 PM, Machzor Pilot program with Lunch  
Tuesday, November 4, Israel Trip Departure; 9:00 AM, Yoga with Ava; 5:30 PM, Facilities Committee  
Wednesday, November 5, 8:45 AM, Religious Affairs; 9:00–10:30 AM Chair Yoga with Ava; 1:00 PM, Mah Jongg; 7:00 PM, Program Committee  
Thursday, November 6, 7:00–8:00 PM, Meditation; 8:00 PM, Books & Bagels with Assaf Gavron  
Tuesday, November 11, 9:00–10:30 AM, Yoga with Ava; 3:00 PM, SSKP Board Meeting  
Wednesday, November 12, 9:00–10:30 AM, Chair Yoga with Ava; 1:00 PM, Mah Jongg  
Thursday, November 13, 7:00 PM, Board of Directors; 7:00–8:00 PM, Meditation  
Sunday, November 16, 9:30 AM Books & Bagels with Michael Roth  
Tuesday, November 18, 9:00–10:30 AM, Yoga with Ava; 6:00 PM UACT Annual Meeting; 7:00 PM Membership Services  
Wednesday, November 19, 9:00–10:30 AM Chair Yoga with Ava; 1:00 PM, Mah Jongg; 7:00 PM Conversion Class  
Thursday, November 20, 7:00 PM, Adult Education Committee; 7:00–8:00 PM, Meditation  
Tuesday, November 25, 9:00–10:30 AM, Yoga with Ava

**December Events**

Tuesday, December 2, 5:30 PM Facilities  
Wednesday, December 3, 8:45 AM, Religious Affairs; 9:00–10:30 AM, Chair Yoga with Ava; 1:00 PM, Mah Jongg; 7:00 PM Program Committee  
Thursday, December 4, 7:00 PM, Executive Committee; 7:00 PM Meditation

**Upcoming Events**

Sunday, January 11, Books & Bagels with Bob Steele  
Friday, January 16, 7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service in Honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Sunday, January 18, 3:00 PM, Music & More, SWEET HONEY IN THE ROCK

**Holy Scrollers Torah Study**

Every Shabbat 9:00 –10:30 AM

Don’t Be Afraid of CBSRZ’s Social Media: Facebook, Blogs, and Twitter

Just the words alone can cause tremors for some but, like it or not, they are here to stay. CBSRZ is using one or more of these sites and invites members to come along, it’s really not hard, and explore the joys of cyberspace.

Begin by clicking on www.cbsrz.org to bring up the Synagogue’s site and then click away at any of the colorful sites that you want to access. Click on the Facebook icon at the bottom of the page and you will be directed to the CBSRZ Facebook page and a treasure trove of information beginning with Ellen Nodelman’s blog about what it is like to be an adult Bat Mitzvah. Click on the Like icon so you can be counted as a Friend of CBSRZ and thus receive postings as quickly as they are sent.

Charles Savitt has launched a Twitter site. Be sure to follow us on Twitter @CBSRZ. Follow Rabbi Goldenberg on Twitter @rabbrig.
**Shana tova.**

Soon after I became president on July 1, I asked one of our committee chairs for advice on what would make a successful term. He responded: “All you need to do is be as funny as Lary Bloom, know as many congregants’ names as Bruce Josephy, be as strategic as Jo-Ann Price, as insightful as Sue Peck…” You get the picture. “Good luck with that,” he said. Thanks Andy Schatz.

Well, Yom Kippur is about being true to yourself, so I will stick with that program. And for me, family is always a touchstone; it is where I will begin and end my remarks today.

[Wave Gesture]

That was the gesture my mother-in-law Miriam Swidler, a fellow congregant, saw one early morning in Herstal, in German-occupied Belgium, in 1942. She was 16 years old. She had been late to work that day; two other girls who usually accompanied her had gone ahead into the plant. Now it was dawn.

Miriam couldn’t be here for this service but is watching via live streaming. She has given me permission to use her words to relate what happened next: “When I reached the factory, a Belgian worker saw me arriving with my yellow star on my blue sweater. He gestured to me to not pass the gate, and to get away. That man saved my life. I turned around and took off my sweater, which I folded so as to hide the yellow star inside. I walked for a few kilometers and then took a streetcar back to Liège, where we lived. But the Germans had put seals on the doors of our apartment and emptied it. I was never to return to our home again.”

I often think of that small hand gesture. A silent, deliberate wave of a hand saves a life—and opens worlds to come. After all, had that worker done the safe thing and simply kept his hand at his side that day in Herstal, my wife Clo would not be here this morning. Our son Gabriel would not have been born exactly 19 years ago today on Yom Kippur or be marking this Day of Atonement in Israel. Did an angel inhabit that moment at the gate of the factory? But then I think about all the gestures not made, all the other men and women in that war who kept their hands at their sides. The countless worlds unopened.

But I believe that what occurred that dawn is only half about a courageous worker making a hand signal and saving a life. The other half is about how Miriam responded to what she saw. The two had to come together. After all, Miriam had to understand the message of that stranger’s gesture, trust that it was caring rather than evil (it could have been either), and act on it without a moment’s hesitation. The Rabbi at Rosh Hashanah discussed the Torah portion Vayera, which means to ‘lift up eyes and see.’ As she commented, this phrase suggests something far beyond mere vision: it is more about being conscious about the deep clarity of what lies around us. With Vayera we can make critical choices about our lives.

But that’s not so easy. The late novelist David Foster Wallace once related a story, which Gabriel pointed me to. “There are these two young fish swimming along and they happen to meet an older fish swimming the other way, who nods at them and says ‘Morning, boys. How’s the water?’ And the two young fish swim on for a bit, and then eventually one of them looks over at the other and goes ‘What the hell is water?’” Sometimes it takes a catastrophe to snap us awake so that we recognize the water for what it is. That was true for Miriam, who saw a gesture and grasped her fate. She went into hiding in Liège and survived the war. It was true 2,601 years ago when the Babylonians destroyed the First Temple; instead of succumbing to ruin, the prophet Jeremiah exhorted our ancestors to choose life, and set about reinventing Judaism for a world where there was no more Tabernacle and no more Jerusalem.

And it was true precisely 99 years ago today, October 4 1915, when a group of about 35 Jewish farmers gathered eight miles from here in Moodus to open our first predecessor congregation, which they called Rodfe Zedek, or “Seeking Justice”. That name was almost unheard-of among shuls. It is a mystery why they picked it. But remember: This was a moment when wars and pogroms were sweeping Europe, and anti-Semitism held sway in America. Seeing gestures of menace all around, those farmers understood the threat, clasped each other close, and responded—with hope and chutzpah. Vayera. They insisted on justice in a world with little of it.

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In April this year I found myself sitting in a well-worn pew along a wall of Europe’s oldest active synagogue, the Altneu shul in Prague, first built in 1270 and best known as the place where the legendary golem hides in the attic. Called up for a surprise aliyyah, I was struck again—and grateful—that the Hebrew blessing we recite for Torah reading in Chester is the same used everywhere in the Jewish world, including on the Altneu’s bima, 4,000 miles away from this one.

Amid the chanting in the Altneu that Shabbat morning, I couldn’t help but think about the mystery of how that congregation had lasted 744 years. One answer came to me only a couple of weeks ago.

Maybe the secret lies in its very name. Altneu means “Old-New”. That’s another way of putting a very twenty-first-century catchphrase that we have begun to

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use about CBSRZ: “ancient and cool.” In “ancient”, we mean that we each have claim to a three-thousand year story of wrestling with purpose. That’s our inheritance. By “cool” we mean that we, like generations before us, serially reinvent for the times, keeping eyes on the future, choosing life over decline. Altneu indeed. “Old-New” is a formula as hardwired into our culture as the blessing in an aliyah, whether in Prague or Jerusalem or Chester.

Just look around us today. Really look around. Ancient words in gold ring this space. But our ark and our transcendent wooden dome are a modern-day evocation of the infinite. Sometimes we take it for granted like a fish does water, but we are blessed this morning to be together in one of the most astonishing Jewish sanctuaries in the world: the only architectural structure the artist Sol Lewitt ever designed, based on the shtetl shuls of Eastern Europe, as you can see from the exhibit of Bill Farran’s work on Main Street, so brilliantly curated by Linda Pinn. The canopy around us is a spiritual jewel.

But we aren’t just ancient and cool in our sanctuary. We are ancient and cool in what we do. We can take pride in opening the first synagogue caring coordinator program to help seniors and other congregants; one of the state’s first digital learning programs in Jewish youth education; “prayer labs” to experiment with new forms of ritual, song and healing; being welcoming to interfaith relationships; an innovative audio-visual arm of CBSRZ with live streaming and video interviews for a new online archive; and a coming year of commemorations paying tribute to the extraordinary founders of Rodfe Zedek. We will kick off our second century with stories, theater, field trips and even ways to reclaim our farming roots for a new generation.

The way I see it, this profusion amounts to our making collective gestures to each other. To be sure, the signals we are sending differ from the one the worker in Herstal made to Miriam that terrifying dawn in 1942. But they are profound nonetheless. They can open worlds. We are saying with them:

Come here;
It is safe here;
We will wrestle with God together here;
We will seek justice here together;
And here, as with our second predecessor shul Beth Shalom, we will pursue peace together.

May we resolve in the coming year, as our ancient teachings urge us, not to keep our hands at our sides, but to reach out to each other, to share our passions and interests with each other. In the program brochure and Who Does That? booklet distributed at Rosh Hashanah you can find ways to do this. There are many others.

May we be blessed with the courage and wisdom to lift up our eyes and, like my mother-in-law did in 1942, to seize the gifts before us and appreciate the ways our lives can turn if we choose to respond.

[INVITING GESTURE]

Clo and I wish you all a meaningful fast and a fulfilling, sweet new year. And Gmar Chatima Tova—May you be inscribed in the book of life.

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Mark your calendars now for an Adult Education Committee forum Dec. 14, 2014 3–5pm

Our exposure, attitudes and feelings about world events rely upon the timely and often first hand broadcasts and documentaries of reporters. How they see the world impacts how we see it, and two highly accomplished reporters and journalists, Philip Scheffler and James Jacoby will share their careers and experiences with us from this perspective.

With a span of more than 50 years between the start of their careers, Scheffler and Jacoby have worked together as master and apprentice. Their individual and collective experiences will highlight how the development and distribution of coverage of world events has evolved over the last six decades.

Philip Scheffler, who is a member of our congregation, is a distinguished journalist, reporter, writer and editor. He spent 52 years at CBS News, the last 22 as Executive Editor of 60 Minutes where he was responsible for both its content and day-to-day operations. Before that he produced 58 segments for 60 Minutes on such diverse areas as politics and government, medicine, social issues, law and military affairs.

Previously, Scheffler spent nearly 30 years covering stories and producing documentaries throughout the United States and more than 50 foreign countries first for the Evening News, then for Eyewitness, a weekly broadcast of the top story of the week, and then for CBS Reports, the network’s flagship documentary series. Among dozens of documentaries he produced were three two-hour broadcasts about Vietnam.

James Jacoby is a producer for Frontline, the highly praised PBS public affairs documentary series. Before joining Frontline, Jacoby worked for 60 Minutes, where he produced investigative stories with correspondent Steve Kroft. His investigations revealed wrongdoing by, among others, major banks, credit reporting agencies, disability lawyers, and arson investigators. In addition to his investigative pieces at 60 Minutes, he gave viewers a rare look inside Iran as the prospect of a nuclear deal loomed on the horizon.

Prior to joining 60 Minutes, Jacoby was a producer for CNBC, where he produced several documentaries including “House of Cards,” which has been lauded as one of the most comprehensive examinations of the global financial crisis. Jacoby has also worked for Channel 4 UK, Dan Rather Reports, and The Nation, reporting on a range of topics from youth politics in Pakistan to the European debt crisis to the rebuilding of New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina.

During the first part of the forum, Scheffler and Jacoby will be discussing their accomplished careers and experiences in seeing the world through the eyes of a reporter. In the second part, we as viewers will become participants through our comments and questions for Scheffler and Jacoby about their experiences and world events that are in today’s headlines.

Please mark your calendars now for this event and watch for more information as our planning progresses.
THREE AUTHORS, THREE TIMELY BOOKS
On Israel, on How We Learn, and What’s for Dessert

What should we know about life (and death) on the West Bank? What is the value of a liberal arts education in the age of technology and specialization? How, once we’ve considered the great issues of the world, do we relax and create desserts like a master French baker? Answers to these questions will become clear at three free Books & Bagels programs at CBSRZ this fall.

Settlements in the West Bank have been the subject of fierce debate in Israel and around the world. What public officials say often misses the human consequences of this state of affairs. But these consequences become obvious and compelling in the novel The Hilltop, by the Israeli author Assaf Gavron.

On Thursday, November 6, at 8 p.m., the Israeli novelist Assaf Gavron will read from his new novel. About the book, which is getting rave reviews, Khaled Hosseini, author of the Kite Runner, says, “Gavron’s unique gift is on full display in all of its eccentric, genre-bending glory. He treads the line between the serious and the absurd, the tragic and the comical, the sincere and the satirical, and creates a sweeping, complex story that raises more questions than it provides answers.”

Tracy Kleinberg, our program chair whose committee produces Books & Bagels, says, “With the conflict in the Middle East over the summer, we have been facilitating several congregational meetings at CBSRZ to discuss these events and our frustrations about a difficult situation. It was timely and fortuitous that we were asked by RJ Julia Booksellers to co-sponsor Assaf Gavron’s appearance, as his book examines precisely these types of struggles.”

From the review in Booklist: “Israeli settler Othniel just wants to grow some arugula, some tomatoes, and keep a goat. He wanders out of his settlement onto a hilltop overlooking the Judean desert and a Palestinian village and comes upon the ideal plot of land. Soon he’s the unofficial leader of an illegal little settlement contending with a monstrous web of red tape...

“Life on the hilltop grows evermore imperiled as the rogue settlers finally provoke the wrath of the epically ambivalent authorities by triggering an international incident. This many-storied, funny, shrewd, and tender satire dives into the heart of Israel, a land of trauma and zeal, fierce opinions and endless deliberation. From failed...
marriages to governmental dysfunction to the tragic Israeli-Palestinian conflict, Gavron’s spirited desert saga embraces the absurd and the profound and advocates for compassion and forgiveness, even joy.”

On Sunday, November 16, at 9:30 a.m. (the traditional time for B&B), our own congregant Michael Roth, president of Wesleyan University, talks about his highly acclaimed new book, *Beyond the University: Why Liberal Education Matters*, which has already sold out its second printing and is a required read for every freshman at Harvard.

Michael Roth tells us why liberal education matters on November 16 at 9:30 AM.

Michael says his motivation for writing it can be traced to prevailing attitudes in the age of technology to shun the liberal arts and train just for the job market. “If we dumb our educational system down so it’s vocational we’ll become the call center of the world.” But, he says, “We won’t educate people in the broadest sense, and prepare them to be problem solvers. The liberal arts prepare students for a lifetime of learning.” If you have children or grandchildren who are thinking about college this is a must event for you.

And the Books & Bagels on Sunday, December 7, at 9:30 is a must event only for people who like to eat. For if you do, you know the name Dorie Greenspan. Twice she has appeared in our series and twice she has wowed us with conversations about *Around My French Table* and *Baking From My Home to Yours*. The new book—which sends her off on 21 appearances around the country—is *Baking Chez Moi*. CBSRZ is the last stop on the tour.

But just because the desserts in this book are French, please don’t be intimidated. She says in her introduction, “These are the recipes the French bake at home for their families and their closest friends. They are generous, satisfying recipes tied to places, traditions, customs and culture. And they’re the opposite of the complex, fussy, time-consuming desserts most of us associate with French pastry. Some of the sweets are modern, some riffs on classics, some light, others substantial, some sophisticated, most are casual, easy-going and fun.”
The Art of Lois Goglia

“One of the greatest pleasures and excitements in creating art is that I often find myself traveling artistically down unexpected paths. I have moved from paintings on canvas, prints on paper, then collages and constructions on various media...The enticing, surprising and magical thing about the art I make is observing the journey each series takes as it morphs into my work’s next phase. The first X-ray collages were displayed on light boxes. Then I took these X-ray collages and made black and white prints from them. These evolved into colored prints...This is my creative process. I don’t pretend to understand how it works, but it is so much fun to go along for the ride!” says Lois Goglia, our next Main Street Gallery guest artist.

Goglia originally painted in traditional genres: portraiture, still life and landscapes. In 1982, while enrolled in a graduate program at Wesleyan University, she visited New York City galleries and museums which exhibited contemporary art. This convinced her that her recent work, though competent, did not speak to issues of the late twentieth century. While sitting in a veterinary hospital treatment room, Goglia found her inspiration for making her art more pertinent to the times. Goglia observed in an animal X-ray mounted on a light box, contrasts, textures and anatomical shapes that made the X-ray visually compelling and provided a thematic concept that she is still investigating today...the relationship between art and science.

One hallmark of Goglia’s work became the recurring use of illuminated X-ray film in a collage format. In her first series she incorporated animal X-rays, bandages, medical tapes and suturing materials with traditional art supplies such as canvas and India inks. Another series was inspired by a gift of DNA sequencing gels and petri dish X-ray radiographs furnished by a Yale University Medical School researcher. “Insight,” a series of giclée prints of X-ray collages, is Goglia’s latest body of artwork. The prints of X-ray collages were digitally photographed, computer modified, then printed. In 2006, the “Insight” prints won a place in the highly competitive international exhibition at the New York Hall of Science. The next step in Goglia’s investigation of the X-ray as an art form is a series titled “X-Rays: In Living Color” in which vibrant colors have been added to earlier prints.

Most recently Goglia has turned to silk as her medium, and the end result is eye-catching colored scarves. The subject matter used in her previous artwork remains consistent with the ideas imbedded in the scarf designs.

Goglia has had solo exhibitions at the Paul Mellon Art Center, the Zilkha Gallery at Wesleyan University, The University of Massachusetts Medical School Gallery and The Yale Medical School Gallery, to name just a few. She has lectured at universities including Yale University Medical School and Southern Connecticut State College and for five years was a review writer for Art New England magazine.

Lois Goglia is happily married to her veterinarian husband Ed, has two sons and lives in Cheshire where she shares her husband’s love of animals and art.

Goglia’s exhibit will be installed at CBSRZ in early November and will be open to the public through January, 2015. The artist will be donating a generous percentage of all work sold to CBSRZ.
You might have wondered what people were doing one Sunday morning in September, moving furniture around this way and that in the Rabbi’s Study. A very simple answer: setting up a television studio. To what purpose? Nothing less than the creation of a series of televised interviews of some of our congregants, people who were part of the Rodfe Zedek part of Congregation Beth Shalom Rodfe Zedek.

It was almost 100 years ago that an actual building was purchased in order for Rodfe Zedek to become a place, not just a group of people meeting in each others’ homes in Moodus. CBSRZ plans to commemorate and celebrate that 100 year anniversary, not least by recording the memories of our fellow congregants who were part of the Moodus shul and who were all instrumental in joining the two congregations together. The first steps were taken that Sunday morning, with videographer Dass Sinnappen, Jacqueline Michael and Joseph Pear behind the video camera, Deb Rutty working her trusty still camera, Sandy Herzog conducting the interviews and three Rodfe Zedek veterans regaling us all with their stories of life in general in Moodus, East Haddam and Haddam back in the day and of the Moodus shul in particular.

David Klar, Jackie Michaels and Joe Pears were our first interviewees—and what stories they told! You’re going to have to wait to hear them, however, until we get more ‘into the can’, because we have others still to come. Be prepared to hear about chicken farms and resorts; of the realities of Depression Connecticut and the ways in which people worked, sometimes on the outskirts of the law, to survive; of being Jewish in a sometimes anti-semitic world; of the move from Orthodox to Conservative to Reform; of the three, count them, nerot tamid that made their way from Rodfe Zedek to CBSRZ; of rabbis and Ladies’ Talmud Torah Associations and...well, you’ll see!

Linda Rigono is the driving force behind organizing all this and prevailing on our interviewees to submit to the (not so onerous...in fact, quite fun) process. We will be resuming interviews very soon and hope to have the results ready to show you before the Gala Celebration of Rodfe Zedek’s One Hundredth Birthday.
Religious School and Family Calendar

November 2014

2nd  Sunday Session
Confirmation
5th   Wednesday Session
8th   2nd Sat Shabbat Service and Kiddush Luncheon
9th   No School: Come instead on Saturday, 11/8
12th  Wednesday Session
16th  Sunday Session
19th  Wednesday Session
22nd  Saturday ~ Havdallah Family Ed Program with Rabbi (Grades 1-2) 5:00 pm
23rd  Sunday Session
       Gesher & Confirmation
26th  No School: Thanksgiving
30th  No School: Thanksgiving

December 2014

3rd   Wednesday Session
7th   Sunday Session
       Confirmation
10th  Wednesday Session
14th  Sunday Session
       Chanukah Program for Parents and Students
17th  Wednesday Session
21st  Sunday
       Gesher & Confirmation
24th  No School: Holiday Break
28th  No School: Holiday Break
31st  No School: Holiday Break

Happy Birthday!
Yom Huledet Sameach!

November

1st   Alex Infeld
15th  Sarah Conley
21st  Morgan Corpuel
24th  Erin Brennan

December

7th   Rachel Cohen
13th  Jeremy Evans
14th  Samuel Applegate
18th  Annika Liss
19th  Matthew Cohen
28th  Casey Elkin

The Whole Megillah wants to thank Leslie Krumholz who has so ably edited The Whole Mishpacha for the last few years. Brava Leslie! Leslie is stepping down, and we are looking for someone (or someones) to step up. If you’re interested, please contact sean.konecky@gmail.com

Religious School & Family Activities
Bat Mitzvah of Rachel Cohen

November 22, 2014
Torah Portion: Tol Dot

Tell the congregation a little about yourself.

I am in the 8th grade at Winthrop Middle School. I like to read and bake. My favorite thing to bake is cupcakes. I bake for my family and I love bringing my desserts to parties. My favorite subject is math.

What excites you the most about your Bat Mitzvah?

I look forward to reading my Torah portion because at the end I will feel proud that I have become a Jewish adult.

What does becoming a Bat Mitzvah mean to you?

It means that I am becoming a Jewish adult and I can participate in the adult conversations that people have at the congregation about the Torah.

Have you done a mitzvah project? What is it?

Yes, I donated school supplies to Naylor CCSU Leadership Academy 5th grade. I collected supplies from friends and family and I am still getting donations as well as putting a box at synagogue.

Any advice for kids who haven’t begun preparing yet?

Focus on studying because if you don’t it could make you fall behind.

K’neidlach

By Sandy Herzog

This is my second year teaching the K’neidlach group which meets twice a month on Sundays.

Kneidlach means dumplings in Yiddish and this term of endearment aptly applies to our youngsters!

Our lessons and activities are short and geared to Jewish values and traditions. I slip in Hebrew words such as greeting them with Boker Tov (good morning) or acknowledging their achievements with Yasher Koach (good job!). Each week has a holiday theme. After I read them a story, the tiny tots get a chance to move around as we sing a holiday song. We have a crafts activity each session. Last week, we made cardboard Shofars. Of course, we have snacks. Some bring their sippy cups!

It constantly amazes me how much these tots absorb. One day, as I prepared to get the music sheets ready to distribute to the parents, without skipping a beat while running around playing, young Jonah (who just turned 2) ran to the table, picked up a music sheet and gave it to his Mother, Trina. Now, he doesn’t know how to read, but he somehow connected the sheet with the song we were singing! Wow!

If you have a baby or toddler consider bringing him/her to one of our groups! All are welcome.
PICTURE GALLERY

Allie Champion’s Bat Mitzvah. The social hall never looked so good.

Bar Mitzvah Gabe Sirot flanked by mother Daryl Meninsky and father Jonathan Sirot.

The amazing Rita Fink shows off her yogic powers.

Bat Mitzvah Allie Champion with mother Kate Cotton and Rabbi Goldenberg.
Jacob Griffith, son of Clo and Stephen Davis, received the Outstanding Recruit Award during his recent graduation from the Massachusetts Firefighters Academy. Jacob is also a certified paramedic.

Bill Farran during his talk on his exhibition of Wooden Synagogues.

Decorated Sukkah.

Tashlich in the rain. (1) Evelyn Foster preparing for new beginnings.

Tashlich in the rain. (2) Two Alter Kockers with umbrellas. (Rick Hornung left, Sean Konecky right).
Religious Affairs At CBSRZ

CBSRZ Food Drive for Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries

Again this year, Congregation Beth Shalom Rodfe Zedek in Chester held a very successful High Holy Days food drive for The Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries. Each congregant was given a large paper shopping bag with a basic list of “most-needed” foods, and asked to fill it with non-perishable foods. Below the list was a verse about helping others, one of which read, “If...there is a needy person among you...do not harden your heart and shut your hand against your needy kin. Rather, you must open your hand and lend whatever is sufficient.” (Deuteronomy 15:7-11)

Food was collected until Yom Kippur and loaded into a large truck, donated by Sandy Seidman, member of the congregation and owner of Safety Zone. CBSRZ organizers Andy Schatz and Debby Trautmann, with the help of SSKP pantry volunteers, unloaded the truck full of food into the Old Saybrook Pantry, where it was weighed and sorted for distribution to local residents in need.

This year the total weight of the food collected was 2,295 pounds, not including an additional donation from Alforno Ristorante, courtesy of its owner and temple congregant, Bob Zemmel, as well as some extra food donations brought in after the initial delivery.

“We are truly grateful to the congregants at CBSRZ who collect such a large donation of wonderful food every year to feed those in need,” said Patricia Dowling, Executive Director of SSKP. “Hunger is real along the shoreline, and we are so thankful to have the support of Congregation Beth Shalom Rodfe Zedek.”

Chanukah Shabbat Service and Celebration—Friday, December 19th

Join us as we celebrate Shabbat and the fourth night of Chanukah! The day begins with Latke University—our annual latke making workshop, led by Susan Peck. See the weekly e-mails for more details as we get closer. At 5:45 pm we will have a NON-DAIRY pot luck dinner. CBSRZ will provide kosher brisket and beverages. We ask that those coming for dinner bring a kosher meat dish, or other non-dairy side dishes (salads, vegetables, rice). Services will begin at 7:00. Please bring your favorite menorah and 5 candles as we will continue our tradition of lighting all of the menorahs and basking in the glow of the candle light. Oneg will follow, complete with the latkes made at Latke University and sufganiyot prepared by Jim Talbot.

Machzor
Save the date:
November 2, 2014:
You are invited to experience and give feedback on a potential new High Holy day Machzor (prayer book) that is being published by the CCAR, the Rabbinical body of our Reform movement.

This pilot Kol Nidre service and discussion session is a follow up to the Rosh Hashanah morning service that was piloted in June. It will take place November 2, 2014 from 12:30-3pm.

Please join us at noon for pizza and salad. Child care will be available so that religious school parents may participate.

Please RSVP to the office or contact Liz Jones at sagenbasil@aol.com for more information.
Leadership Reports:

a. President’s Report: Project 100’ kicked off with thanks to Lary Bloom with a brainstorming session. We are looking for member suggestions for a new Design Committee as provided for in the Facilities Policy. This committee will assess our Main Street, Library and Social Hall: Are we utilizing the space best to meet our objectives?

b. Rabbi’s Report: Elul service/series has been really catching on. Questions raised about setting up receptions and keeping building safe as well as using maintenance people after hours. Status update on hiring of a Caring Coordinator.

c. Temple Administrator’s Report: There are 6 new member applications which is a recent record for a month. Motion to accept applications of Peter Leff; Jon and Marty Ernstoff; Jodie Slobin and Neil Becker; Francine Farkas Sears; Peggy Tunick; and Jacqueline Wolff: S. Seidman, seconded by K. Fox, vote unanimous to accept applications, so moved. Live Streaming going well.

d. Treasurer’s Report: The first Investment Dashboard submitted. S. Davis asked the Finance Committee to (1) address consolidation of the funds where possible; and (2) develop a policy to be approved by the board by which congregants and/or committees may apply for relevant dedicated funds for long-range projects. Ed Pinn noted that Samuels Fund is from Harold and Rita Samuels, and Harold Breitman is the donor for the Breitman fund, not the family. Legacy program is starting again. There will be a mailing to the Congregation after the high holidays.

e. Vice President’s Report: Committees Dashboard submitted. Chesed will be actively involved in interview process for Care Coordinator. Shalom Learning is ready to start. For Holy Scrollers, Peg Palmer is leading collections for a sound system to help hearing impaired congregants. Ed Pinn will be attending kick off night with JCC. Personnel Committee will set up a schedule for performance reviews, and will be involved in the interview process for the Caring Coordinator.

f. Principal/Cantor’s Report: Setting up Shalom Learning was a little “glitchy”, i.e. router incompatibility issues, etc. but resolved with thanks to Jim Talbott. Proposed Madrichim projects submitted.

Facilities Report:

a. Security System update: close to picking a contractor to install the security system, with lights and camera.

b. Sculpture repair: G. Amarant met with Anne Lehman, a sculptor, to help in the appraisal of what repairs would cost. G. Amarant said he can put it back together; and A.L. will guide on appropriate external repairs. The sculpture will be up for HH, but may not be totally dry.

c. High Holiday Security: We will have one police officer; and one private armed security guard.

Stress Test on Internal Financial Controls:

Tiplitzky report found robust procedures and offered recommendations. K. Fox drafted responses to the report: (1) We will add a second person to approve checks; (2) We will investigate approaches taken by URJ and other synagogues to dues variances with a view to designing a more objective process than we have now; (3) We will seek further clarity on sales tax rules; and (4) S. Davis will finalize having CBSRZ take physical possession of outstanding inventory. Motion to receive the report by E. Pinn, seconded by K. Burzin, Vote, Unanimous, So moved.

Hineynu Tracker

Linda Sherman provided a briefing on our new, web-based database making it easier to keep track of congregants with needs or illnesses, and to manage assistance where appropriate. Chesed will be writing procedures for use of the program, as privacy is tantamount. The new Caring Coordinator will be managing this database.

Fountain Hill Cemetery Report

Stu Baker presented a briefing on steps ahead to expand cemetery space in Deep River. We are preparing to survey the proposed extension. The board urged that the survey be done on both the old and proposed new parcel, and that we consider in the next budget cycle increasing our annual donation to the association, which has been taking responsibility for maintenance such as mowing and plowing.
Charles Barber came to CBSRZ to talk about his book, *Comfortably Numb*, at Books and Bagels on November 14. In *Comfortably Numb*, he offers insights, conflicts, and challenges that I feel a need to share, though my brief interpretive summary can hardly substitute. I will lend you my copy if you ask.

Fads run the gamut from being fun and silly to budget-breaking, physically and/or emotionally supportive or harmful, even dangerous. The hula-hoop was fun; it also required actual physical exercise to use it. Most fashions don’t harm, though bunions and backaches from footwear fads must weigh in.

Barber shows how our recent past romance with psychopharmacology spotlights an area where we have been unwittingly beset by fads. Lithium has been in use since the 1960s as a mood stabilizer, along with antipsychotics such as Haldol and Thorazine. In the late 1980s, Prozac, Paxil, and Zoloft were brand new. Each year over the course of the 1990s, new psychiatric drugs were introduced. We Americans quickly concluded that there is a pill for everything. As a people, we became over-medicated; we even sedated our children to control them in school. Barber recognizes that these pills have been a godsend to those who truly can’t function well without them but dishonest when given to the masses for general malaise or misery.

And it’s easy to underestimate the problem. I recently watched an hour or so of commercial television and was shocked and offended at the back-to-back ads for pills for every kind of emotional bump or sexual dysfunction. I’m back with PBS to stay, but that brief experience showed me how badly pharmacology companies want us to buy their goods.

And, as Barber points out, while it is easy—for doctor and patient—to use a pill for depression, anxiety, insomnia, etc., studies have shown that psychotherapy saves a lot of money in the long run. Psychiatry and psychotherapy have undergone impressive changes. Cognitive behavioral therapy has been shown to be as effective, and possibly more effective, than drugs in managing mild to moderate depression. And there’s so much we don’t yet understand about the human brain, but we know that fish oil appears to help the brain and behavior, and exercise is effective treatment for even severe depression.

This might be an even greater problem locally than on average. Studies have shown that these drugs are used more often on kids—often quickly and loosely diagnosed as having ADHD—the further east one travels in the U.S. (so much for blaming California). Sir Kenneth Robinson, recognized internationally for his work on education and the arts, points out in his (most widely viewed ever) TED Talk that the result may be hurting our creativity and our future — see http://www.ted.com/talks/ken_robinson_changing_education_paradigms. Many have noted the obvious connection between the reduction in physical education in school (a bigger problem in colder climates) and the increase in obesity. This may also directly connect with anxiety and depression or with the incidence of convenient ADHD diagnosis.

Barber’s conclusion is that we must be “resolute and careful, not faddish, in assessing new developments as they arise and adopting them judiciously.”

My conclusion is that we should take a careful look locally at where we might effect meaningful change. Is there a pill that will help that?

**SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE ADDS TO ITS THEMES/ PRIORITIES FOR THE YEAR**

At the Social Action Committee meeting at the end of August, SAC determined its themes for the year, adding environmental issues. Evelyn Foster and Kate Cotton, who will be coordinating work in this area, have already begun with a diverse group of issues such as genetically modified organisms (GMO), community gardens and orchards as well as local aspects of broader environmental issues such as global warming.

Andy Schatz, chair of the Social Action Committee, noted that as with all of the priorities of the Social Action Committee, the focus will be on individual projects and impactful reform at the state legislative level. “We always try to provide needed services, such as staffing community meal sites, while also focusing some of our efforts on changing the systems to make this work less necessary by solving the root cause of the problem or enabling self-sufficiency. The environmental theme will continue these efforts as we look at what CBSRZ can do both to improve its own stewardship of the environment and help effect change.” Schatz also noted the nexus of the environmental issues with the SAC’s long focus on hunger. “Many seeking to end hunger in America are looking to programs to help folks learn to grow their own food: teaching self-sufficiency is also the highest of Maimonides’ eight levels of charity. Evelyn has long been interested not only in our CBSRZ gardens but in other possible uses of the land, such as for a community orchard. We hope this will complement our other priorities, just as has our focus on mental health and other issues.”

The full list of priorities, with the SAC members coordinating each, is as follows:

- **Basic Needs** (hunger and housing)
  --Debbie Trautmann and Teri Fogel

- **Mental Health**
  --Johanna Schafer and Emily Merriam

- **Criminal Justice and Prison Issues**
  --Linda Rigono

- **Children’s Issues**
  --Martha Stone

- **Tolerance**
  --Susan Furman and Linda Rigono

- **Environmental Issues**
  --Evelyn Foster and Kate Cotton

To volunteer, or for a complete listing of specific programs planned in these areas, please check the Social Action webpage at http://www.cbsrz.org/index.php?page=social-action.
SAC’s December 12–13 Human Rights Shabbat to Focus on Anti-Semitism and Tolerance

Tolerance is once again one of the themes/priorities of the Social Action Committee. In addition to continuing our work with other faith-based communities, we want to join with them in some frank conversations as well. Our first program, during December 12-13 (designated nationwide as Human Rights Shabbat) will focus on discussions of some of the actual manifestations of intolerance in Connecticut and more locally - anti-Semitism, Islamophobia, racial profiling and hate speech. The December program will feature Gary Jones, Regional Director of the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), and a representative of the American Civil Liberties Union of Connecticut (ACLU-CT). Andy Schatz, chair of the CBSRZ Social Action Committee, is the President of ACLU-CT.

We hope to sponsor additional programs jointly with other faith congregations over the coming year that will focus on how we can help each other address these common tolerance concerns. “We have tried in our social action programs continually to involve members of other faiths,” Schatz said recently, citing SAC’s work at soup kitchens, on housing the homeless with Middletown-based End in Ten and with United Action of Connecticut, a group of over ten congregations within central Connecticut, of which CBSRZ is the only Jewish member congregation at this time. “We are in the process of meeting with Christian and Muslim communities to plan events during the year and welcome ideas and help from all members of CBSRZ.” If you are interested in becoming involved, please contact andy@andrewschatz.com or 860-202-2690.

CBSRZ High Holiday Food Drive a Literal Ton of Work

Our 5775 (2014) High Holiday food drive delivered 2,295 pounds of food to the Shoreline Soup Kitchens and Pantries in Old Saybrook on October 6, the day following the Yom Kippur weekend. That was the easy part!

Behind the scenes, huge amounts of work went into once again making CBSRZ’s annual food drive among the largest single organization collections/donations to SSKP. Under the supervision of Debby Trautmann on behalf of the Social Action Committee, dozens of synagogue members made the event a success. With the help of the CBSRZ Board, which continued its annual tradition of providing food from the Bimah to the Truck, Rabbi Goldenberg and new CBSRZ President, Stephen Davis, who enthusiastically supported the food drive, Wendy Bayor, who put out congregation-wide communications about the food drive, and Sandy Seidman, who once again provided the truck from his company, Safety Zone, to hold the food received, the Social Action Committee was off and running. Volunteers Beth Gottlieb and Emily Merriam helped Debby Trautmann assemble the bags, the bags were distributed, collected and loaded in the truck by a large group, including teens Amy Burzin, Allie Champion, Max Conley, Aaron Jaynes, Lili Kleinberg, Adina Ripin and Micah Trautmann. And, most importantly, the congregation responded overwhelmingly to provide hundreds of bags of food—even in the steady downpour on Yom Kippur.

Finally, Debby Trautmann and Andy Schatz, chair of CBSRZ Social Action Committee, unloaded the truck along with over a dozen SSKP volunteers, who also sorted and stored all the food—an especially large crew called in to handle the huge donation for which the annual CBSRZ drive has become well known at SSKP. Some of the volunteers said they always looked forward to the CBSRZ delivery, and Laura Dean-Frazier, manager of the food pantry for SSKP, noted that as SSKP distributes nearly a ton of food per week, the CBSRZ delivery critically helps restock the shelves with needed staples.

“It’s easy to lose sight as we do yet another annual food drive how important this is to folks who literally don’t have enough food every week,” Schatz noted. “Contrary to popular perception, the towns along the shoreline have significant percentages of food insecure families and kids who qualify for free or reduced meals at schools,” said Schatz, who also chairs the Hunger Action Committee for the Shoreline Basic Needs Task Force formed in 2013. “While we are working on more long-term solutions, such as self-sufficiency and regulatory changes in government food policy, the food pantries and soup kitchens do a remarkable job to prevent even more hunger. And Debby and her crew did a remarkable job to make this year’s drive a complete success.”

United Action Connecticut Annual Meeting

UACT will be having their annual meeting at the synagogue on Nov. 18th at 6:00 or 7:00 PM. Please check with office to confirm time. There will be a review of activities over the past year and planning for things to come. There will be guest speakers on the topics of mental health, immigration and possibly something else. Please try to attend—we are the only synagogue in this interfaith coalition that is working for social justice issues.
The Minyonaires
Norman Hanenbaum

P.E.S. (Pray, Eat, Schmooze) is the Wednesday morning minyan service beginning at 8:00 am for a half hour—almost like a fast food drive in.

Cantor Belinda Brennan leads the service in meaningful prayer with the morning blessings, followed by a short version of the Torah Parasha, Kaddish for our departed, Mishebeirach for those in need of healing and ‘good news’ and happenings.

Then our culinary staff, led by Henry Gottlieb and the Pear brothers, Morty and Joel, prepare a light breakfast with bagels, cream cheese, herring (and sometimes with lox) and coffee, followed by a nosh.

Prior to sitting down and schmoozing, and through the generosity of Bernie Slater, we enjoy a L’chaim of Cherry Herring. This liquor brightens our daily outlook a stimulus guaranteed to keep you productive and energetic for the entire day. On a few occasions when Belinda is unable to lead us, Susan Peck or Bernie Slater takes over the chores and do a very commendable job. And, yes, we do have a “Pushkeh.” We have a container in which attendees, at their discretion, donate a dollar or so. In the past, we have made donations to various synagogue functions—a true mitzvah.

Understandably, members work or have commitments, but if you’re free and need a little “religionism,” come and join us. We are the greatest schmoozers you’ll ever encounter. This is a promise. Try us! You may like it.

Next year will be the thirteenth continuous year morning minyan and plans are being formulated to honor this event.

Yiddishkeit

What do a bunch of Connecticut teenagers have in common with their great grandparents who lived in Eastern European shtetls or crowded tenements in New York? What stories could they tell their own grandchildren fifty years from now about the heritage of previous generations? We’ve managed to hand down much of that heritage as we pass the Torah from grandparents to parent to bar/bat mitzvah boy/girl, but how much knowledge of the everyday culture of the generations before us have we preserved?

These are some of the questions that a group of our teenagers are grappling with as part of our new Remembering Yiddishkeit Interview Project. A number of our madrichim, post bar/bat mitzvah students who work as teaching assistants and tutors in our religious school classrooms, have taken on the task of interviewing those members of CBSRZ who have memories, either direct or handed down by their parents and grandparents, of Yiddish culture.

They are shaping all aspects of the project, from designing an interview process, contacting likely interviewees, conducting and video-ing the actual interviews, then editing and creating a documentary based on all this. Ken Burns, move over—the madrichim are here! In the end, they hope to have a film that will tell the stories of a unique culture that has largely disappeared, that will help them, and us, understand both the strands that connect and the ones that distinguish us from them, and that they will be able to put in place as a teaching tool for still younger students in today’s religious school and in the future’s.

So if YOU have some good tales to tell, whether of your own childhood or ones that you heard and can pass on, please let us know. We also hope to be able to photograph artifacts from those days—photographs, postcards, objects unique to those times. Contact Wendy at the office or, if you prefer, email me at ellenmodelman@gmail.com. We’ll get the kids in touch with you!

Mazel tov!

Susan Savitt is pleased to announce the birth of her first grandchild, Madelynn Casey Delehanty. She was born on August 24, 2014. She lives in Rochester, New York with her parents Matthew and Jennifer. Erik Delehanty is thrilled to be an uncle and Charles Savitt a great uncle.

Madelynn Casey Delehanty
### Memorial Plaques
8th of Heshvan 5775 to 8th of Kislev 5775

- Arthur Frank
- Bertram Friedman
- Edward Glazer
- Charles Gottfried
- Paul Jaffe
- David Joslow
- Florence Klein
- Leonid Klein
- Jacob Lake
- Lena Lake
- Betty LeWitt
- Morris Mackover
- Joseph Magier
- David Miller
- Sadie Palmer
- Isidore Raab
- Rabbi Alexander Schindler
- Sara Schulman
- Sonia Schulman
- Lucille Schur
- Frances Seidman
- Morris Sigel
- Louis Steinberg
- Irving Strom
- Leonore Palmer Tobias
- Sara Roth Yossoff
- Harry Zuck
- Dora Zelvin

### Memorial Plaques
9th of Kislev 5775 - 9th of Tevet 5775

- Eleanor Adler
- Lawrence Joel Adler
- Samuel Adler
- Abraham Alman
- Bunie Barson
- Esther Barson
- Jack Barson
- Pearl Welexer Bass
- Rosalind Berwick
- Bella Breslow
- Harris Breslow
- Harry Debowsky
- Isadore Elson
- Nathan Franklin
- Rose Frankel
- Jack Freed
- Helen Friedman
- Rachel Friedman
- Rachel Friend
- Florence Gage
- Harry Glazer
- Mary Pinkus Goldstein
- Joseph Katz
- Miriam Klar
- William Kotchen
- M.C. LeWitt
- Rosamond LeWitt
- Gladys Oppenheimer
- Hyman Peck
- Philip Peckoff
- Yetta Sacks
- Lillian Shaffel
- Frances Siegel
- Ruth Silverman
- Esther Sivin
- Samuel L. Solins
- Lester Sondak
- Abraham Sprecher
- Benjamin Sprecher
- Julius Starr
- Arthur Tobias
- Justine V. Tobis
- Regina Waldinger
- Max Zavadnick

### Yahrzeits
8th of Heshvan 5775 to 8th of Kislev 5775

- Leo Amaran—father of George Amaran
- Abraham Baskin—stepfather of Linda Finn
- William Beckerman—stepfather of Barbara Beckerman
- Marie Cassen—mother of Lois Nadel
- Elta Diamond—grandmother of Gail Gottlieb
- Lee Diamond—grandmother of Barbara Mason
- Annette Farber—grandmother of Beverly Glassman
- Dora Fink—mother of Hyman Fink
- Nathan Fink—father of Hyman Fink
- Hyman Fink—husband of Rita Fink
- Jerome Fischbach—father of Nancy Fischbach
- Bertram Friedman—father of Dorothy Friedman
- Barry Gilman—grandfather of Ellen Gottfried
- Helen Gilman—aunt of Ellen Gottfried
- Edward Glazer—husband of Lois Glazer
- Lawrence Gottfried—brother of Ellen Gottfried
- Benjamin Greenberg—father of Penny Rubiner
- Jane White—sister of Liz Glazer
- Richard Hays—brother of David Hays
- Jack Hymon—grandfather of Stephen Davis
- David Joslow—father of Jon Joslow, father of Liz Archambault
- Erwin Kahn—uncle of Linda Sherman
- Regina Kast—sister of Gene Kalet
- Florence Klein—stepmother of Maxine Klein
- Leonard Klein—father of Maxine Klein
- Patricia Konecky—sister of Sean Konecky
- Lena Lake—mother of Dorothy Friedman
- Lloyd Levin—father of Stephanie Arbage
- Steve Levinson—brother-in-law of Nancy Fischbach
- Maria Lopez—wife of Juan Carlos Lopez
- Joseph Magier—brother of Estelle Breslow
- David Miller—grandfather of Ellen Friedman
- Libby Peck—mother of Michael Peck
- Paul Peck—father of Michael Peck
- Sylvia Price—mother of Michael Price
- Marvin Radom—father of Debra Landrey
- Lubah Peck—parent of Michael Peck
- Dorothy Rubin—mother of Matthew Rubin
- George Saffer—grandfather of Ron Glassman, grandfather of Rich Glassman
- Gertrude Case Sandler—sister of Lewis Case
- Rabbi Alexander Schindler—father of Debra Traumann
- Frances Seidman—mother of Sandy Seidman
- Sadie Case Sharp—sister of Lewis Case
- Nathan Sigal—father of Dorothy Palmer, grandfather of Peg Palmer
- Herbert Small—grandfather of Lisa Connelly
- Sol Stolowy—grandfather of Ethel Goller
- Milton Weintraub—uncle of Marcy Saltzman
- Silvia White—grandmother of Marilyn White-Gottfried
- Harry Zuck—father of Nancy Zuck
- Sarah Zomback—mother of Beth Brewer

### Yahrzeits
9th of Kislev 5775 - 9th of Tevet 5775

- Eleanor Adler—sister of Jacqueline Michael
- Lawrence Joel Adler—brother of Rochelle Dauenhoefer
- Samuel Adler—father of Jacqueline Michael
- Sylvia Baker—mother of Stuart Baker
- Pearl Welexer Bass—mother of Susan Fine
- Rosella Berkon—grandmother of Rebecca Blake
- Jerome Boardman—son of Jennie Shapiro
- Celia Braunstein—grandmother of Natalie Lindstrom
- Bella Breslow—mother-in-law of Estelle Breslow
- Barbara Bruno—mother of David Bruno
- Hyman Farber—father of Beverly Glassman
- Frances Fine—mother of Philip Fine
- Erwin Fischer—grandfather of Vic Comrie Jr.
- Helen Friedman—sister of Estelle Breslow
- Rachel Friend—grandmother of Sheila Byrne
- Arthur Goldstein—father of Harvey Goldstein
- Mary Pinkus Goldstein—mother of Jackie Hastings
- Adaline Barbara Goodstein—sister of Linda Polomski
- Ethel Goodman—mother of Linda Polomski
- Victor Gottfried—father of Corinne Weber
- Victor Heller—father of Betty Gilman
- Constance Hieatt—sister of Ellen Modellman
- Marcus Haberman—father of Harvey Haberman
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### Condolesces

Our sincere condolences to Marcia Myers and family on the loss of her sister, Nancy Indriander Reider.

Our sincere condolences to Sean Konecky and family on the loss of his father, William Konecky.

Our sincere condolences to Kay & Maia Chait and family on the loss of their granddaughter, Isabelle Medina.

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Please remember to inform Linda Sherman, chair of the Chesed Committee, if you or someone you know is ill, in need of help, or has experienced a death in the family. Our Chesed Committee is here to help.
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