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## Top Tikvat Volunteers Feted on *Simchat Torah*

Tikvat Israel annually uses *Simchat Torah* to recognize two congregants or staff members whose commitment to the life of the congregation is deserving of recognition.

The honors officially are considered the *Chatan Torah* and the *Kallat Bereshit*. The two honorees this year are Marc Pressman and Beth Smith, respectively. They were recognized during services and at a special *kiddush* luncheon.



Beth is an active member of the Women's Network. In recent years, she has organized the welcome event at the beginning of the year. "The event is always well-planned and organized, and she has an exciting program to accompany a delicious meal or snack," said Janice Balin, president of the Women's Network. "This one event attracts a tremendous turnout. The women in the community know that when Beth is planning a program it is always worth attending. Beth has very creative ideas when planning programs."

Beth Smith

She also has chaired multiple cantor's concerts, which are major fund-raising events, and helps other members with event planning. She sings with Chai Dynamics and serves on the Tikvat Israel board of directors as recording secretary, and she recently assumed the role of strategic plan coordinator. She also chaired the committee that produced the most recent membership directory for the congregation in 2021.



**Marc Pressman** 

Marc Pressman, a member of Beth Tikva/Tikvat Israel since 1988, has been serving as *Bima Gabbai* coordinator for the past 18 years. This work involves determining which services require *Torah* readings and thus need volunteers to serve as *Bima Gabbaim*. The *Gabbaim* are separated into two groups: *Gabbai A* and *Gabbai B*. The former is responsible for announcing the name of the person coming for the *aliyah* and noting which *aliyah* is to be read. The main job of *Gabbai A* is to monitor the reading and correct any mistakes in the *Ivrit* pronunciation. He or she helps to locate the correct place in the *Torah* for the *aliyah*.

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- A Big Goal for Major Needs. Tikvat Israel has launched a capital campaign that aspires to solicit at least \$600,000 in pledges by next spring. Our aging building will put those dollars to excellent use for structural repairs and equipment upkeep. Read campaign co-chair Carol Chelemer's account on page 2.
- Behind the Scenes. Most of us have no notion of the array of preparations handled by staff and volunteers that take place in the leadup to the High Holy Days. A pictorial essay by Larry M. Levine on page 7 captures just a few of those essential functions.
- Programs on the Horizon. Our board vice president of programming, Sally Kram, never sits still when it comes to organizing activities for congregants. Read her account on page 5 about the programs she is planning over the next few months.

### WEEKLY RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Tikvat Israel BULLETIN

Monday	8:00 a.m.	7:30 p.m.	
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	7:30 p.m.	
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	7:30 p.m.	
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	7:30 p.m.	
Friday	8:00 a.m.		
Kabbalat Shabbat		6:00 p.m.	
Shabbat	10:00 a.m		
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	7:30 p.m.	
Note: Several services are now in person ( <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i> , <i>Shabbat</i> morning and Sunday morning <i>minyan</i> ). All services continue online. Additional in-person services will be announced in <i>B'kesher</i> .			
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November 4	5:46 p.m.
November 11	4:39 p.m.
November 18	4:34 p.m.
November 25	<b>4:30</b> p.m.
December 2	4:28 p.m.
December 9	4:27 p.m.
December 16	4:29 p.m.
December 23	4:32 p.m.
December 30	4:37 p.m.
Chanukkah Can	dlelighting
December 18	5:18 p.m.
December 19	5:19 p.m.
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December 21	5:19 p.m.
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December 23	4:32 p.m.
(before	Shabbat candles)
December 24	5:35 p.m.
	(after Havdalah)
December 25	5:22 p.m.

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## Capital Campaign Aims for \$600,000 in Pledges Before *Purim*

BY CAROL CHELEMER

In *Parsha Noah*, G-d speaks to Noah and directs him to build an ark in preparation for a big flood that will destroy all life except that which is on the ark. *Genesis* 14-16 provide specific instructions for the Ark's design, dimensions and building materials. Nothing is written about Ark maintenance, but it only needed to last 40 days.

In *Parsha Trumah*, G-d lays out detailed specifications for the construction of the Tabernacle that will contain the Holy Tablets during the 40 years in the desert. The *hafto-rah* for that *parsha* (1 Kings) is again a detailed description of the Temple that Solomon will build. That Temple is intended to last throughout time.

Where is the *parsha* that focuses on how the Temple edifice is to be maintained? How ought the Temple address a necessary roof replacement, renovation of various components, shoring up walls and even upgrading lighting, cooling and heating systems (if such existed). How would contributions for these needs be solicited and gathered?

The members of Tikvat Israel Congregation currently face the need to maintain our building. A report commissioned by the *shul's* board of directors that was completed in February assessed the physical structure and its systems and recommends a 10-year plan of renovation and replacement. The plan carries a price tag exceeding \$500,000 in 2022 dollars. With inflation, a practical goal is \$600,000.

Tikvat Israel's Capital Campaign was launched following the High Holidays. The campaign's co-chairs, Howard Wilchins and Carol Chelemer, have reached out to individual members who have repeatedly demonstrated their desire and ability to be major donors. This effort is continuing, but to date, pledges to be paid over three years (2023-2025) have been made by four individuals totaling about \$77,000.

This is considered Phase 1. During November and December, further outreach, both in person and via telephone or Zoom, will take place. We believe it is important to contact every member and for every member to participate to the extent they can (and then perhaps a bit more) because Tikvat Israel is our home.

Please contact Carol (carolchelemer@comcast.net) or Howard (hwilchins@wilchins. com) directly if you would like to discuss the campaign either by phone or in person.

## **SHUL SHORTS**

### Kabbalat Shabbat with Instruments

The new year's first KS with I is scheduled for Nov. 4 at 6 p.m. It will be held in person in the social hall and will be broadcast through livestreaming. This spirited service, led by Cantor Rochelle Helzner, includes uplifting melodies that are both traditional and modern.

Future dates are Dec. 16, May 5 and June 2.

### **Celebrating Life in Cancer Battles**

Tikvat Israel congregants will honor cancer patients, cancer survivors and their family members at a special *Shabbat* morning service next spring. The event will be called "A Celebration of Life," and there will be a special *kiddush* after services.

Congregant Michele Eisenberg, who passed away on Oct. 5 following a long fight against pancreatic cancer, was the organizer of this event, originally set for Nov. 5.

Congregants will be encouraged to invite friends and family members who have been supportive during the fight against cancer.

### **Prayer Book Return**

If you borrowed one or more copies of the High Holidays *machzorim* from Tikvat Israel, please return the books as soon as possible to the synagogue office.

## RABBI'S CORNER Be the Change You Want to See at Tikvat Israel

BY RABBI MARC D. ISRAEL



"We but mirror the world. All the tendencies present in the outer world are to be found in the world of our body. If we could change ourselves, the tendencies in the world would also change. ... We need not wait to see what others do." - Mahatma Gandhi

This famous quote, often shortened

to "be the change you want to see in the world," teaches us to be active participants in building the world that reflects our values and our vision. Gandhi is reminding us that we may not control everything, but if we begin to model behavior that reflects our beliefs, then we will help move the world in the right direction.

We have an incredible community here at Tikvat Israel. Part of what makes us great is that we are constantly thinking about how we can make our community even better. Many of our members come to me, the cantor, Aaron or Warren with ideas for how we can make improvements. Most of the time, we agree with these suggestions. The challenge that we face is that we have a talented but limited staff and only a certain number of hours in a day. To make it work, we need everyone to keep making suggestions and to volunteer to find a way to get it done.

Whether it's having enhanced *kiddushes* each week, additional educational opportunities, more in-person *minyanim*, more outreach to the community or an improved website, there is no shortage of ideas and opportunities. We will be successful in implementing these changes when everyone steps forward to help create that world.

We have many great examples of this in our synagogue – I think about Melissa Apter, who was concerned about attracting more peers to the synagogue, came on the board and re-energized our membership committee. Or Neil Sbar who recently took over our Security Committee and has worked with Aaron Chusid to improve our protocols, increase the training of our staff and members, and apply for new grants to further upgrade our infrastructure. Or Danny Bachman who will be leading the effort to modernize our dues structure. These are just a tiny fraction of the ways our members constantly step up to use their skills and passions to help improve our community.

We are a highly engaged congregation with strong lay leadership, but we can always do better. Our strategic plan calls us to improve our communications (including a new website), offer more diverse adult education programming and expand social networking opportunities (e.g. new *havurot*). We want to offer more opportunities for spiritual connections and ensure that people from diverse backgrounds all feel welcome and at home in our community. We want to engage more with our neighbors in Rockville and Montgomery County and to help create a more equitable society.

To achieve this, we need every member to step forward and find their way to contribute their time and effort to making our community stronger. When you think about ways Tikvat Israel could be stronger, I encourage you not just to identify the challenge, but to think about one way that you can get involved to help create the change. As you know, we have a fairly small staff, partially out of necessity, due to limited funds. But I also see this as fitting for our community – just as we have many members who step up to read *Torah*, lead services, help in the kitchen and greet and welcome people, our programming and operations will be best when it is engaging a large part of our membership.

My hope as the rabbi in this community is to help empower you to create the learning, spiritual and social opportunities to meet our needs. As we find more ways to return to normal activities, even with the pandemic still in our midst, I hope you will identify the areas where you believe you can make a difference. With each of our individual efforts, I am quite confident that we can build the community we want to become.

### A LOCAL REMEMBRANCE ON 9/11



Rabbi Marc Israel (left) delivered the invocation and benediction at a moving ceremony to mark the 21st anniversary of the September 11 attacks on the country. The City of Rockville marked that day by remembering the 11 Montgomery County residents who lost their lives on that day in 2001. The ceremony took place at the 9/11 Memorial Park at Courthouse Square in downtown Rockville. (*Photo by Janice Balin*)

### SIMCHAT TORAH HONORS, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

*Gabbai B* is the choreographer. He or she makes sure the ark is opened and closed at the appropriate times and takes out the *yad* while *Gabbai A* takes out the *Torah*. The *Gabbai B* also shows people with *aliyot* where to stand, helps them with the *Torah* blessings and monitors the reading. *Gabbai B* announces the page and verse to be read and helps the reader position the *Torah* scroll for the reading. During the *Hagbah/Gelilah* portion of the *Torah* service, *Gabbai B* helps with the *Torah* dressing and ensures the *Hagbah* arrives safely in the appropriate location on the *bima* for the dressing of the *Torah*.

Marc's other volunteer activity is to help with leading services on Zoom and in person. "I am especially pleased to be able to say *Shabbat shalom* on Friday night, as well as *shavua tov* when *Havdalah* is over," he said. "This allows me to say both."

He also purchases wine for the *Shabbat kiddush* each week. "I know that Manischewitz is not the best, but I am trying to diversify the types of kosher wine, price permitting," he said.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER High Holidays Reflections and Thanks

BY WARREN BERGER, TIKVAT ISRAEL PRESIDENT



I just returned from *Neilah* and, once again, I am energized. Since Rosh Hashanah, Rabbi Israel's words and Cantor Helzner's voice and tunes have inspired me. But that's only part of the story. A large number of synagogue staff were instrumental in planning and preparing the services and activities, along with countless TI members who volunteered and helped.

Every time I start to list people, I miss a few, but I would rather give kudos to most of the people rather than nobody. I would ask that leaders of each of these groups/areas send me a full list so that we can recognize them in some way. I apologize in advance (to those whom I have missed), but we could not have done services without the following:

- High Holiday Committee, led by Sam Gilston and Mark Diamond;
- Office staff: Aaron Chusid, Amy Matathias, Susan Davis, Emily Jarmuth, Reva Nickens;
- Custodial and Building staff led by Augustin Valverde;
- Service leaders: Jeff Bernstein, Jim Perlmutter, Jason Schwartz, Richard Lederman, Barry Lipsy, Cliff Fishman;
- Youth/Family service leaders: Jennie Berger, Adina Schwartz, Auntie A (Adrienne Suson);
- *Shofar* blowers: Sam Gilston and Michael Joseph;
- *Kol Nidre* chanters: Elanor Lantner, Becky Miller and Cantor Helzner;
- Volunteers: New curtain, Edna Breit; Plants in social hall, Roz and Ted Kram; Greeters, Felicia Back; Ushers, Keith Brooks; Security, Neil Sbar; *Bima Gabbaim*, Marc Pressman; *Gabbaim Gedolim* and honors, Steve Raucher; *Torah/ Haftarah* assignments, Susan Apter; Chair setup, Alan Apter and Sam Gilston; Side trips, Rabbi Alana Suskin and Danny Bachman; Book of Remembrance, Roz Kram; Past-Presidents *Torah* honors, Harold Diamond; Music before *Kol Nidre*, Anita Brenner and Mike Cohen.

As I mentioned in my *Kol Nidre* speech, we as an organization have to change to survive and to better position ourselves for the congregation that we want to become and to serve the needs of the members we will have (or become).

We overcame some challenges and turnover last year to have successes:

- The recent rabbi turnover at our neighbor shuls in Montgomery County, where more than half have had a recent rabbi search, has fortunately not affected us. We renegotiated and renewed Rabbi Israel's contract for eight more years. We're a great match and the renewal provides long-term stability for us.
- We also extended our beloved Cantor Helzner's contract for another one and potentially two years.
- We established a multi-year contract with Early Childhood Center director, Debbie Ungar. We have a very strong and overflowing ECC that is expertly led, contributing net funds to our operations.

- We said goodbye to long-time Executive Director Sam Freedenberg and welcomed new Executive Director Aaron Chusid. Similarly, we said goodbye to Amy Matathias in her role as office manager and welcomed Susan Davis.
- The office transition was one of the difficult challenges that we had to overcome. It has not always gone perfectly, but I have confidence that Aaron and Susan can make us an even more efficiently operating organization to implement the recommendations of our strategic plan. One way they already have followed the plan is with improved and streamlined communications.

The strategic plan is the second of our successes that I mentioned. We owe a debt of gratitude for the extraordinary work done by chair Rachel Lipsy and her team in developing the plan. It speaks to the effort and tenacity of the group to have conversations with so many congregants (and even some non-members) to collect the data.

However, we do have some challenges that we must address:

- Keeping our members safe during COVID is our highest priority, but fostering relationships among members when some remain remote is a continuing challenge.
- We need to address our aging building as part of empowering our board to have efficient operations that can serve the needs of our members. We are starting a capital campaign (see page 2) to raise funds for major repairs and replacements of equipment.
- Our facility expenses have increased. We have had to make major repairs significantly above the budgeted amount for broken end-of-life equipment. We sacrificed maintenance in the past and are now suffering the consequences. And due to inflation, custodial and operating costs have increased.
- We need to embrace and engage more young families. *Shabbat* Family Jam with Auntie A regularly attracts 10-20 children with their parents, many of whom are not TI members (yet). One solution: We have created a significantly reduced dues category for ECC families (see page 14) to entice them to join TI and experience what our community can provide to them beyond day care. Note that this innovative solution already has led to three new member families.

It is not uncommon for a synagogue to have financial challenges. Fortunately, we are stable now, but we need to diligently predict and avoid the next crisis. I want to thank those who joined the Chai Campaign this year, either because of my rousing *Kol Nidre* appeal or because you already recognized how much Tikvat Israel means to you.

As you know, TI relies on donations because dues do not fully cover the cost of operations. We just ended *Yom Kippur* with the hope that we will be inscribed for a sweet, happy and healthy 5783, so let's also ensure that our synagogue can be financially healthy in 5783.

Again, I want to express my sincere appreciation to everyone who made the High Holidays run so smoothly.

## Fall Into Tikvat Israel's Extensive Programming

BY SALLY KRAM, TIKVAT ISRAEL VICE PRESIDENT FOR PROGRAMMING



As the days get shorter and the nights get longer, TI's Program Committee is planning more activities, many with a focus on Jewish holidays for the 2022-23 program year.

### **Holiday Programming**

Following a joyous High Holiday season, Tikvat Israel will kick off *Chanukkah* with our second annual *Chanukkah* in the Hoods running from

Dec. 18 through Dec. 23. *Chanukkah* in the Hoods features a travelling *Chanukiah* with guest lighters (including Rabbi Israel) set up at the homes of TI congregants in various neighborhoods. All are welcome to these public lightings, accompanied by delicious snacks and singing of *Chanukkah* songs.

As a special treat, TI is hoping to schedule a lighting in a prominent spot in Rockville such as Pike & Rose or Town Center. Stay tuned for more details.

*Chanukkah* celebrations will continue with TI's annual *Latke* and Lights hosted at TI by Cantor Helzner on Dec. 20 at 5:15 p.m. The event will be open to all and feature activities that promise to be fun for young and old alike. To close out *Chanukkah*, TI will host a Family Fun Day on Dec. 25. Check *B'kesher* for more details.

Continuing with TI's holiday-focused programming, robust *Shabbat* experiences are being planned. Details will be published in *B'kesher* on the following programs:

- Quarterly *Shabbat* dinners for congregants. If you had fun at the *Shabbat* in the *Sukkah* dinner on Oct. 14, sign up for additional dinners throughout the winter and spring.
- Torah study on most Shabbats.
- PJ *Havdalah*, hosted by the ECC, open to the entire congregation throughout the fall and winter (pajamas optional for adults).

### **Social Action Activities**

Tikvat Israel will continue its vigorous support of the broader community by staging several Social Action activities including:

A Red Cross blood drive on Nov. 9.

Stepping Stones food deliveries to the TI parking lot (intended for the homeless shelter) on Nov. 9.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day volunteer activities on Jan. 16.

### **Cultural Programming**

Finally, if you are still looking for something to do, consider attending various cultural activities including:

Anne Kaiser's annual preview of the upcoming state legislative session in Annapolis. A member of the state legislature and a congregant, Kaiser will share her thoughts about what is likely to be one of the most exceptional state legislative sessions in years as issues such as voting rights, criminal justice reform, paid leave expansion and abortion rights might be under consideration. Join us for coffee and doughnuts and Anne's talk at 10 a.m. on Dec. 4.

The Israeli Film Festival at Tikvat Israel. TI will once again partner with the Israeli Embassy to screen Israel's best contribution to the world of film. Join us for the screening and post-film discussion on Jan. 21 and 28 (snow date, Feb. 4). Keep an eye on *B'kesher* for details.

Tikvat Israel U. On Feb. 26, TI will host this popular event in person for the first time in three years. Tikvat Israel U features TED-Talk style presentations by experts among TI's own congregants. If you have something to contribute, contact Sally Kram at sallykram939@gmail.com to volunteer your talents.

### **Volunteer Organizers**

We always are looking for program planners. If you want to contribute your ideas and energy, contact Sally Kram at <u>sallykram939@</u> gmail.com.

## A FINAL SONG PARODY FOR FRIDAY *MINYAN*

Every Thursday morning since December 2020, members of Tikvat Israel could count on receiving a reminder in their inbox about participating in the following morning's *minyan*.

The weekly promotional notices were delivered in the form of a parody of a show tune or pop song, courtesy of congregant Michele Eisenberg and her creative flair. (Five of her song parodies were reprinted in the January-February 2022 issue of the *Tikvat Israel Bulletin*.)

Michele passed away of pancreatic cancer on Oct. 5. She posted her final song parody on the Tikvat Israel listserv less than two weeks earlier. It is reprinted below.

### Sung to the tune of the Four Seasons' "Candy Girl"

Minyanaires, minyanaires! Join us Friday, calling minyanaires. (minyanaires) The ruach sets our hearts a-whirl (minyanaires) On Zoom you will find us at 8 a.m. A way to start the day. Hear the shofar blown. Camaraderie, you'll see. Whoa, whoa, whoa. Minyanaires.

## **WOMEN'S NETWORK**

## **Dedicated Volunteers Behind Our Programs**

BY JANICE BALIN, WOMEN'S NETWORK COORDINATOR



Welcome to the Women's Network corner! This is the place to learn about recent events and future programming.

I would like to start the new year with special thanks to the board members of our network who have agreed to continue in their capacity for another year.

**Brenda Brooks** has served as treasurer/ financial secretary of the Women's Network for the past five years, responsible for col-

lecting dues and maintaining accurate finances. She also updates the Women's League of Conservative Judaism website with our membership information.

Anita Brenner has agreed to continue as the Torah Fund chair, collecting contributions and ensuring we meet our annual Torah Fund goal established by WLCJ. Last year Anita invited an alumna of the Jewish Theological Seminary to speak to the network about her experience as a JTS graduate.

**Amy Matathias** provided support for many years to the Women's Network in her capacity as TI's office manager. She has agreed to serve as publicity coordinator. She will produce Women's Network newsletters to our membership on a weekly basis.

A special thank you goes out to the members who have volunteered to coordinate programs this year. Without your hard work, there would not be a Women's Network at TI.

The year's opening program, The World of Jewish Food, on Oct. 23 was an event not to miss. In addition to dining on a variety of food from Jewish kitchens around the world, we learned a little about some of the communities from which the various dishes came. The committee worked hard to plan an interesting menu to delight taste buds. As an added treat, each attendee was e-mailed a copy of the recipes. Beth Smith served as event chair.

Besides cooking and enjoying the yummy treats, the Women's Network collected food items, which were contributed to Manna Food Center. This collection supports the WLCJ's continued efforts to stock the shelves for the needy. Every year this event is the highlight of our year.

*Rosh Chodesh*, the celebration of the arrival of a new Jewish month, long has been considered a special holiday for women. For years, the Women's Network has used *Rosh Chodesh* as an opportunity to study and learn. The theme for this year's *Rosh Chodesh* programs will be "Getting Your House in Order ... Your Financial, Spiritual, Legal, Medical and Ethical House."

Reserve the 10:30 a.m. time slot on Nov. 20, Jan. 15, March 5 and May 7 for the *Rosh Chodesh* programs. Our speakers are sure to enlighten and educate you on many important topics.

The next book discussion will take place at 8 p.m. on Zoom on Wednesday, Nov. 16. The title being discussed is *Three Floors Up* by Eshkol Nevo. Wendy Bauman will lead the discussion. There is so much more coming. Read *B'kesher* each week and the *Women's Network Newsletter* for all the details.

If you haven't already joined the Women's Network for this year or sent in your Torah Fund contribution, it isn't too late. Contact Brenda Brooks and she will be happy to send you the registration form and details on how to join.

## New Curtain Enhances High Holiday Ark



Edna Breit with her latest artistic creation for the synagogue. (*Photo by Sam Gilston*)

Tikvat Israel members attending High Holiday services this year or those watching via livestream perhaps noticed a new curtain on the social hall ark. Fabricated by congregant Edna Breit, the new curtain replaces one that was at least 40 years old and in poor condition. The original curtain had become faded and too frail to be dry-cleaned.

Breit was part of a committee that included Amy Matathias, Felicia Black and Sam Gilston. The group worked with advice from Rabbi Israel, Cantor Helzner and Shirley Waxman. Breit became

involved in the project after the High Holidays in 2021.

"At the first, we didn't see a resonating color," Breit said. "I went to the fabric store a second time and got several samples of dupioni silks. These silks mesmerize me because they have a variegated thread width, plus the cross threads are a different color which adds to the way they reflect light. These curtains have golden threads with pink cross threads."

Several fabric designs and styles were examined before the committee settled on a silk material in gold that blended with the ark and surrounding art works, while also reflecting the light and color of the *Ner Tamid* above.

The sewing of the silk material and its backing required special skills. Breit is a needlecrafter who began sewing at age 12. For the curtain, she turned to YouTube for extra guidance.

The result was a professionally sewn curtain with detailed stitching and pleating. The curtain also has a lining and interlining to provide strength and protection from light.

The ark used in the social hall on the holidays came to TI from Temple Israel when it merged with Beth Tikva 25 years ago. The curtain came with it and was in use since then.

## **Behind the Scenes: Holiday Prep**

Congregants usually only have a faint notion of what sort of preparations take place every fall in the lead-up to High Holidays services at Tikvat Israel.

Larry M. Levine, a congregant who spent most of his professional life as a photographer, contacted Rabbi Marc Israel and Cantor

Rochelle Helzner about the possibility of taking photographs to document some of the work involved. They were highly supportive of the idea and told him about several remaining opportunities.

Although much had already been completed by TI staff members as well as volunteers, Levine captured an array of the remaining preparations during the immediate week or so preceding *Rosh Hashanah*.

All photos appearing on this page were taken by Levine.



Anita Brenner and Mike Cohen rehearse the instrumental music they performed at the start of the *Kol Nidre* service.



Becky Miller returned as one of three individuals to chant a round of the *Kol Nidre* prayer at the start of *Yom Kippur*.



Synagogue staff created tickets with larger type for those attending in-person services in the social hall on the holidays.



Barry Lipsy (left) works with Jeff Bernstein to ensure the *Torah* scrolls are aligned to the proper chapter and verse.



A group of congregants served as the cast of a dramatic reading of the book of *Jonah*. From left, they are Jonathan Solomon, Nancy Solomon, Judy Davis, Sam Gilston and Fran Tropp.



Jeff Bernstein (left) and Rob Podolsky ensure the *Torah* scrolls are ready following their transfer from the sanctuary to the social hall.



Teenager Elanor Lantner practiced the *Kol Nidre* prayer, which she chanted during the service.



High Holidays machzorim neatly stacked by office staff in the synagogue lobby awaiting the services.



Two scrolls adorned with the High Holidays covers in the social hall.

## **Sweet Memories for a Sweet Occasion**



From left, Naomi Baer, Barry Lipsy, Amy Matathias, Beth Smith and Bobbi Espinoza jointly baked dozens of chocolate cupcakes favored by Karen Lipsy. (Photo by Larry M. Levine)

Barry Lipsy found a wonderful way to bring his late wife Karen's influence into the happy occasion of a daughter's forthcoming wedding.

Lipsy enlisted a few volunteers from his *havurah* -- Amy Matathias, Naomi Baer and Bobbi Espinoza, along with Beth Smith serving as *mashgiach* – for duty in the Tikvat Israel kitchen, where they produced dozens of chocolate-chocolate chip cupcakes, one of Karen Lipsy's specialty desserts. The cupcakes were served at a *kiddush* after an *aufruf* at *Shabbat* services on Oct. 22 in honor of daughter Rachel Lipsy and her fiancé AJ Lanphere.

Most of the same volunteers returned just prior to the occasion to make a large quantity of Karen Lipsy's favored kugel recipe. (Find her recipe at right.) She passed away in January 2020.

"Many thanks go to my friends and all the kitchen folks that have enabled me to do this," Barry Lipsy said.

### **KAREN'S NOODLE KUGEL**

### Ingredients:

- 6 large eggs, separated
- $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. fine egg noodles, cooked
- 1 stick margarine, chunked
- 1 pint sour cream (or Greek yogurt)
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

### Instructions:

- 1. Cook noodles, drain and leave in the heated pot. (These noodles cook quickly so the third step can be started at the same time.)
- 2. Add margarine into pot with noodles to melt (keep lid on) and set aside.
- 3. Beat yolks, adding sugar slowly until blended. Then blend in sour cream, lemon juice and vanilla.
- 4. In a separate bowl, beat egg whites until stiff.
- 5. Stir noodles to coat with melted margarine. Then combine egg yolk mixture with noodles in whichever container (bowl or pot) is larger.
- 6. Fold egg whites into noodle mixture. (For ease, although not necessarily correct, fold into whichever container is the largest.)
- 7. Pour into 9x13x2-inch pan, making sure to spread noodles into all corners.
- 8. Bake at 350 degrees for 45-60 minutes or until top is browned. Serve hot or cold. Freezes well.



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### Wanted: Updated TI Directory

I confess to being an old fogey. As we begin the New Year of 5783, my hope is that a new membership directory of synagogue members be assembled, printed and delivered to members. Our current directory (distributed in 2021/5781) is out of date as we've added and lost congregants.

While it is lovely to produce a print directory that includes ads placed by families and individuals, I realize that such a project is very time-consuming. I'm confident ShulCloud has the basic information for a member directory. My plea is that a directory be one of my *Chanukkah* gifts this year.

Carol Chelemer

### **Overwhelmed by Outpouring**

I was overwhelmed with the outpouring of love bestowed upon me at the service and *kiddush* in my honor. The *kiddush* was lovely. Roz, Larry, Janice, Sandra and all those who helped in the kitchen made some delicious dishes and desserts. I also appreciate all the folks who helped to set up and clean up the kitchen too. To the many congregants who play a role in making sure our services run smoothly, I thank you too.

I was surprised by the gift, an original Shirley Waxman wall hanging, and do so love it. I will think fondly of my days in the office of Tikvat Israel every day when I see it hanging in my home.

I also want to thank all of you for the calls, notes and e-mails expressing your appreciation of my work at Tikvat Israel. Thank you to the congregants who stopped me in the halls or at services to express their appreciation. As much as you appreciate me, I appreciate you. It was my pleasure to help each and every congregant and get to know everyone better than before.

With gratitude and love, *L'hitraot* (until we see each other again). *Amy Matathias* 

### **Donations Acknowledged**

B'nai Brith's Project Hope expresses its sincere gratitude to Tikvat Israel for the generous contribution of \$500.

Our annual program partners with the Jewish Social Services Agency to distribute Passover baskets to the Jewish needy (more than 500 each year) in our community. Members of Tikvat Israel helped with the distribution, a great *mitzvah*.

> Jack Ventura Chair, B'nai Brith Project Hope, National Capital Council, Chesapeake Bay Region

The International Rescue Commission thanks your congregation for the generous gift of \$500. Your contribution strengthens our ability to deliver vital aid to refugees fleeing from violence and persecution. Your generosity is especially appreciated.

David Milibrand President and CEO, International Rescue Committee

### **Environmental Volunteers**

Other synagogues of our size have three or more people working on what is usually called the Green Team. At Tikvat Israel, participation has been much less, usually just yours truly. I feel the limited participation eases decision making but limits input of ideas. So I'm going to try out this line: "If you ask, they will come."

This planet is in a world of hurt right now, and we need to cut down on Tikvat Israel's carbon footprint and members' individual outputs. Areas that could be considered at the synagogue are substituting native plants for grass, using some of our land for food production, buying more earth-friendly supplies, maintaining better control of the building's heating, cooling, lighting, windows and curtains. We could be partnering with other organizations.

Thanks for caring. Get in touch with me at rockvilleart@gmail.com. Art Fabel



Amy Matathias displays the wall hanging created by Shirley Waxman she received as a farewell gift.

## **Mazel Tov**

... to **Barry Lipsy** upon the marriage of daughter Rachel Lipsy to AJ Lanphere on Oct. 30.

...to **Mimi and Allan Meltzer** on the graduation of daughter Cara Meltzer upon completion of a B.S. degree in nursing from Notre Dame College.

...to **Rebecca Salon and Jay P. Goldman** on the birth of granddaughter Efrat Charlotte Peretz on Aug. 30. She is the daughter of Abby Goldman and Eliad Peretz and joins sisters Shoshana and Ruth Peretz.

...to **Rabbah Arlene Berger** on publication of a *D'var Torah* column in the Oct. 6 issue of *Washington Jewish Week*.

... to **Rabbi Alana Suskin** on publication of a *D'var Torah* in the Oct. 20 issue of *Washington Jewish Week*.

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## EDUCATION AND YOUTH Teen Activities and Kindergarten Class Forthcoming

BY JUDY STERN, VICE PRESIDENT FOR EDUCATION AND YOUTH



Welcome to the new family members from the ECC who have joined Tikvat Israel! We are glad to have you in our congregation. Feel free to reach out to Rabbi Israel, the synagogue office or me (judystern7@aol.com) if you have any questions, concerns or ideas to share.

### Teen program now forming at Tikvat Israel

We are planning a series of programs for Jewish teens in 2022-23. The pro-

grams will be open to students in grades 7-11 and will include recreational, arts and speaker programs. The activities will be open to teens at Tikvat Israel, their guests, grandchildren of members and kids from other neighboring synagogues.

Please share your ideas and offers of help. For further information or to get on our mailing list, contact me at 301-279-0972 or judystern7@aol.com.

### Sunday Religious School Class at Tikvat Israel

A religious school program for kindergarten children on Sunday mornings has been formed at Tikvat Israel. If you are interested in more information or to enroll a child, contact Rabbi Israel or judystern7@aol.com.

We welcome children and grandchildren of TI congregants, as well as children from the community.

## *Tush* Team Saves Bottoms for High Holidays

Sam Gilston and his merry band of chair inspectors examined the sturdiness of more than 600 chairs in advance of the High Holidays at TI.

With screwdrivers and vinyl tape and scissors in their hands, the committee of seven repaired and cleaned the chairs and removed from the social hall's inventory any that did not meet their standards for multi-hour use. Said chief organizer Sam Gilston: "This ensures that when people come to services for the High Holidays, they will find a safe, usable chair to sit in."

Joining him in preserving human bottoms were the following: Marvin and Paula Kasper, Felicia Black, Tami Gilston, Marc Pressman and Jonathan Solomon.

## A Short Life With Intense Buildup for *Sukkah*



Jonathan Solomon examines a ceiling fixture during the *sukkah* construction on Oct. 6.

Tikvat Israel's *sukkah* enjoys a short life each fall, but it requires a lot of volunteer effort for erection.

Construction on the back patio, which was delayed a few days by rain, started at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 6 and ended at 9 p.m. "A slow start, but people came after work to help with the build and worked into the dark to complete the build," said *sukkah* cocoordinator Alan Apter.

ECC students decorated the *sukkah* the following day.

By the end of October, our *sukkah* had disappeared from the shul's back patio for another 11 months.

The following people helped Apter with the 5783 *Sukkah* build: Barry Buchbinder, Harley Liebenson, Daniel Matathias, Barry Lipsy, Neil Kram, Jonathan Solomon, co-chair Sandra Schwartz, Tony Maiolatesi, Jeff Baer and Warren Berger.



Alan Apter affixes a ceiling decoration in the *sukkah* one day before *Sukkot*.

## Help TI Reach its \$74K Chai Campaign Goal

### BY JAYME SOKOLOW, CHAI CAMPAIGN CHAIR

The *Chai* campaign is doing very well thanks to your generosity. However, to reach our goal of \$74,000, we will need support from those who have not yet contributed. The *Chai* campaign will be happy to accept your contributions through Dec. 31.

Our membership dues cover only part of what is needed to maintain our staff, facility and programs. It is up to us to put into action what we committed ourselves to in prayer during the High Holidays in September and October. Please be as generous as your circumstances allow.

Thanks to your generosity, the *Chai* campaign is helping the congregation to balance its budget and continue providing outstanding programs and services to all congregants. The *Chai* 



Jayme Sokolow presided over the Chai Campaign brunch in the social hall to recognize those who contributed to the past year's fund-raising efforts. (*Photo by Amy Matathias*)

### NURSING HOME RESIDENTS ENJOY A BLAST FROM A TI TEEN

The Jewish residents at Potomac Valley Nursing Home in Rockville were able to experience the tastes and sounds of the Jewish New Year, thanks to a small group of synagogue volunteers.

A few days in advance of *Rosh Hashanah*, Emma Maphis delivered the blasts of the shofar during a brief service that included some prayers and melodies from *Rosh Hashanah* and



Emma Maphis sounded the *shofar* at Potomac Valley Nursing Home.

*Yom Kippur.* Congregants Rebecca Salon and Jay P. Goldman led the service using a prayer manual developed by the Jewish Chaplaincy Service.

Afterward, the *shul* volunteers provided fresh *challah* and pastries while the nursing home staff prepared apple slices, honey and fruit juice.

Maphis, granddaughter of congregants Judy Stern and Uzi Ben-Ami, is fulfilling a *bat mitzvah* service project by blowing her *shofar* at venues housing shut-ins across the area. campaign also helps support those congregants who may need financial assistance during the year.

As you think about a contribution, consider how much Tikvat Israel has meant over the years to you and your family. Consider also how the synagogue has supported you and your family and others in joy as well as in sorrow.

Please give as generously as your circumstances allow so that Tikvat Israel can remain a vibrant synagogue.

In 5783, be among our congregants who, in the words of our *Siddur*, "unite to establish synagogues for prayer" and who "give funds for heat and light, and wine for *Kiddush* and *Havdalah*."



About 50 congregants came to the brunch as past contributors to the Chai campaign. (*Photo by Amy Matathias*)

### SOUNDING SHOFARS EVERYWHERE

Various members of the congregation participated in The Blast, a concurrent sounding of the *shofar* in public places to announce the approach of *Rosh Hashanah*. At left below, Steve Raucher took out his extended horn in Leisure World. At right below, Jim Perlmutter (center) joined others on his street in Rockville.



## Creating a Restricted Fund Within TI's Fund for the Future

### BY CAROL CHELEMER

Tikvat Israel created its Fund for the Future through a board of directors motion in February 2012. Our Fund for the Future is administered by the Jewish Community Foundation under the provisions of a Maryland state law, the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act. The latter UPMIFA regulates the purpose for which funds may be used ("charitable purpose doctrine") and the mechanism to calculate proceeds that may be used in any given year.

As an endowment fund, the principal is not available for distribution. Tikvat Israel's FFF also is governed by a set of bylaws with the most recent version adopted this past March.

In subsequent newsletters, FFF trustees will discuss how to contribute. (Hint: There are many ways.) Here I will discuss how our FFF allows contributors to establish a restricted fund within the endowment. A minimum amount of \$10,000 is required, enabling the donor to specify the purpose for which funds (or their proceeds) may be used.

We currently have three restricted funds:

- The Flax/Grishman Fund is dedicated to religious and educational programming.
- The Helen P. Raucher Fund (our newest) is dedicated to professional development for the ECC staff.
- The Chelemer/Smith Fund is dedicated to the recognition of volunteers.

I established the Chelemer/Smith Fund in 2015, inspired by the remarkable dedication of Jesse and Marian Kaiser (of blessed memory) to Tikvat Israel, and Jesse's counsel to me that one can never do enough to recognize the contributions of volunteers. I set up this fund with an initial contribution of \$10,000 and followed with annual installments until a total of \$20,000 was reached. Funds must be invested for a period of three years before distributions can be made. Because I continued to make contributions, the three-year waiting period was not completed until this past year.

Prior to this year (and before the pandemic), I had sponsored a brunch or dinner for volunteers in leadership positions to recognize their indispensability. This year's proceeds from the Chelemer/ Smith Fund were used to purchase gifts for the nine individuals who developed the Tikvat Israel Strategic Plan (adopted by the congregation in June) to guide our future.

If you are interested in creating a restricted fund within the FFF, please contact Aaron Chusid, executive director. The agreement is easy to execute. I can testify to that.

## **Congregational Condolences**

Condolences to those Tikvat Israel members who lost loved ones recently (mid-August through mid-October):

Rhoda Eckstein, upon the loss of husband Norbert Eckstein

Karen Frost, upon the loss of sister Michele Eisenberg

Matt Lavine and Sherrie Krauser, upon the loss of their mother Bess Lavine



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## Fall Season Kicks Off with Back to Shul Event

BY MELISSA APTER, BULLETIN CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

Tikvat Israel's social hall was abuzz with excitement as approximately 100 community members gathered for a Back to Shul celebration on Sept. 11.

The two-hour evening event, co-chaired by Sally Kram, vice president of programming and Membership Chair Melissa Apter, brought the congregation together for fun and food ahead of the High Holidays. Cantor Rochelle Helzner kicked off the falland-apple-themed festivities with a welcome song, followed by greetings from Rabbi Marc Israel and President Warren Berger.

Throughout the evening, congregants perused the committee displays in the lobby, decorated TI's *sukkah* canvas walls and crafted custom masks with Bobbi Gorban of the Women's Network as modern Israeli music played in the background. Meanwhile, TI's tots took a shine to the bounce house, and congregants of all ages enjoyed the all-you-can-eat pizza and salad buffet. The ice cream sundae bar was a sweet treat, too.

During the evening, Chai Dynamics, an *a cappella* ensemble that rehearses at TI, took to the social hall stage to the delight of the audience. Their performance was followed by a trivia game

managed by Kram with contestants challenged by TI-specific and Jewish cultural questions.

It takes many hands to pull off a large-scale event. The organizers wish to thank Rabbi Israel, Cantor Helzner, Aaron Chusid, Susan Davis, Roz Kram and Augustin and Jennie Valverde for their professional assistance. Thank you to the Women's Network for sponsoring the mask decorating craft and to Chai Dynamics for the live entertainment. Chai Dynamics singers are Dan and Felicia Black, Neil Kram, Susan Meiselman, Joanna Rubin, Beth Smith, Nancy Solomon, Sue Urban and Rafe Yedwab.

To the volunteers who prepped crafts, staffed tables, opened doors, cleared tables, cooked and cleaned and so much more thank you! Volunteers are the backbone of TI. We could not do what we do without you: Debbie Amster, Alan and Susan Apter, Janice and Bob Balin, Avi Bardack, Warren Berger, Dan and Felicia Black, Anita and Mel Brenner, Brenda and Keith Brooks, Karen Cohen, Ellie Diamond, Bobbi Gorban, Melanie Grishman, Barbara Katz, Sally and Neil Kram, Anna Levy, Harley Liebenson, Marsha Lyons, Amy and Dan Matathias, Gale Pressman, Fortuna Scheige, Sandra Schwartz, Roni Silverstein, Beth Smith, Jonathan Solomon, Sue Urban and Judy Waldman.

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## Wishing everyone a healthy and happy 5783.

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## EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER High Holidays Spirit Infuses ECC Programs

BY DEBBIE UNGAR, DIRECTOR, EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER



The fall is a busy time at the ECC. We are celebrating many holidays together combined with adjusting to the new classrooms and routines.

In honor of *Rosh Hashanah*, Rabbi Israel came to visit each class and to blow the *shofar*. The children enjoyed hearing the different sounds the *shofar* makes, as well as touching a real *shofar*. The prekindergarten

class talked about *tashlich*. The *Arayot* and *Nemerim* classes walked to Rock Creek and thought about their mistakes and discussed how they can do better for the new year.

The rabbi returned to the ECC during *Sukkot* so the children could see a real *lulav* and *etrog*, learn how to shake them and recite the blessing. Each class made decorations for the Tikvat Israel *sukkah*. The children also had the opportunity to eat snacks in the *sukkah* as well. We invited families to join us for our Pizza in the Hut program to enjoy a *Sukkot* sensory experience, where we sang songs and blessings, shook the *lulav*, smelled the *etrog*, explored the *sukkah* and ate a dinner of pizza, salad and fruit.

The classes have been exploring and adjusting to new classrooms and routines. We have music with Ms. Ellie, Israeli dance with Ms. Sharon and *Shabbat* Sing with Auntie A. Many classes have baked challah for *Shabbat* and honey cake for *Rosh Hashanah*. The children also have hiked to Rock Creek Park. In addition, one teacher brought her guinea pig to school for a visit in the classroom.

We are off to a great start and can't wait for more exciting activities and planned events.

## Membership Discount for ECC Families

Throughout the 2022-23 school year, ECC families can become members of Tikvat Israel Congregation for the special price of \$180 per adult or \$360 for a couple. This is considered a full synagogue membership.

A few of the benefits:

- Input on family programming;
- Free or discounted access to events; and
- Community of friends to celebrate life-cycle moments (*brit milah, simchat bat, b'nai mitzvah*).

Learn more about the benefits of a TI membership by contacting office@tikvatisrael.org or by visiting tikvatisrael. org/membership.

We still have a few spaces available for full- and part-time care in the ECC. Please feel free to refer family and friends. We are always happy to give tours or answer questions about the school.



Rabbi Israel showed off his *shofar* to the ECC students.

ECC youth participated in *Shabbat* Sing while dancing on the synagogue patio.







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In honor of Robert Scherer on his 90th birthday by Michael and Marilyn Greenwood With gratitude to Amy Matathias, for her many years of devoted service to TI, by Michael and Marilyn Greenwood

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by Aaron Chusid

- For purchase/maintenance of defibrillator(s) by Ronald Rabin
- In honor of Amy Matathias by Gerald and Ziva Schuchman
- In honor of Amy Matathias, with deep appreciation for her dedication and service "beyond the call of duty," by Clifford and Betty Fishman
- In honor of Joelle Black's birthday by Lois Davidson
- In memory of Bernadine Belkin by Martie Adelman and Marc Schneider
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- by Rodney and Nancy Matheson by Hilda Springer
- In memory of Norbert Eckstein
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In honor of Amy Matathias, for her dedicated and long-term efforts in support of Tikvat Israel Congregation, by: Martie Adelman and Marc Schneider Michael and Deborah Amster Alan and Susan Apter Melissa Apter and Avi Bardack Avrum Ashery and Susan Cohen Danny Bachman and Debby Berlyne Wendy Bauman Bryan Benesch and Nancy Goldberg Warren and Arlene Berger Jeffrey and Elyse Bernstein Daniel and Felicia Black Keith and Brenda Brooks Irving Cohen Larry and Roberta Cohen Roberta Cohen Elliot and Bonnie Cowan Judith Davis Damon and Lisa Ehrlich Mona Ehrlich Michele Eisenberg Sherman and Ellen Eisner Arthur and Marsha Fabel Aaron Fineman Clifford and Betty Fishman Samuel and Tami Gilston Bruce Goldin Larry and Bobbi Gorban Sara Harris Manny and Roberta Helzner Emily Jarmuth Harvey and Naomi Kaplan Marvin and Paula Kasper Barbara Katz Janaki Kuruppu Anna Levy Murray and Marsha Lyons Daniel Matathias and Family Rodney and Nancy Matheson Jay and Susan Plafker Josh Pollack and Dalit Baranoff

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In honor of my grandchildren by Helene Kram

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## TORAH READING LESSONS FOR YOUTH

Students in  $4^{\mbox{\tiny th}}$  grade and up can learn Torah trope with the goal of becoming proficient in reading Torah.

longstanding ΤI The Torah Club, under the direction of congregant Elliot Cowan, meets every second and fourth Shabbat morning each month. Students are encouraged to attend the main sanctuary's Torah service (beginning at approximately 10:40 a.m.) and then, after the dressing of the Torah, the class will commence in the social hall.

You can contact Cowan with questions at epcowan@gmail.com.

## Tikvat Israel Remembers With Respect Those Whose Yahrzeits Occur From from 7 *Cheshvan* through 6 *Kislev* - November 2022

### NOVEMBER 1

**7 CHESHVAN** Geraldine Braunstein Philip Bress Robert Jarcho Philip Phillips

### NOVEMBER 2 8 CHESHVAN

Michael Bailey Alexander Ben Ami Phyllis Berger Lena Gantz Dorothy Glaser Jacques Kahn Mary Seslan

### November 3 9 Cheshvan

Daniel E. Berlyne Mae Bernstein Lester Earl Cohen Sylvia Gorban Carol Krakaur Judy Lerman Leon Morrison Lee Rosen Julia Rosenlicht David Norman Shedroff Dora A. Thaler

## NOVEMBER 4

**10 CHESHVAN** Max Hirschman Abraham Krugman Bernard Levitt Clara Reinhardt

### NOVEMBER 5 11 CHESHVAN

Arthur Aronson Margit S. Elkins Eva Epstein Harry Gordon Jacqueline Harris Ruth Levinstein Menachem Lidert Belle Meyers Benjamin Raucher Irving Shantz

### NOVEMBER 6 12 CHESHVAN

Irving Allen Bertha Gudelsky David Kline Renata Lidert Nancy Kanow Simpson

### NOVEMBER 7

**13** *CHESHVAN* Dora Fraeman Morris Hanig Clara Kandalis Rose Kaplan Anne K. Robinson Solomon Zeidman

### NOVEMBER 8

**14 Cheshvan** Lester Finkelstein Mollie Ginberg Bessie Helzner Anna Marmor Jacob Marmor Morton Aaron Rosen Benjamin Saperstein

### November 9 15 *Cheshvan*

Nathan Askow Arthur Henry Bowen Lorraine Fried Gelula Louis Kornhauser Rose Krepchin Rose Rosenbloom Sadie Steckler

### NOVEMBER 10

**16 Cheshvan** Harry Kensky Morry Nisenson Danny Presman

### NOVEMBER 11

**17 CHESHVAN** Lena Glick Mary Goldstein Ada Punitzer Muriel Rosenberg

### NOVEMBER 12

**18** *CHESHVAN* Alvin Fineman Donald Futrovsky Judy Katz-Berger David Jacob Lerner Mark Sandler Benno Stein

### NOVEMBER 13

**19 CHESHVAN** Louis Bogage Daniel Bronstein Harold Davis Estelle Freedman Selma Horwitz Maida Nussbaum Shirley Rodes

### NOVEMBER 14

**20 CHESHVAN** Jennie Jaffe Flax Martin Rosenlicht Russell Keith Rosner Saul Stutz Max Wottitzky

### NOVEMBER 15

**21** *CHESHVAN* David Joseph First Bertha Greenfield Max Klein Martha Lohwasser Esther Sax Sidney Teitelbaum Paula Weiser Mollie Wexler

### NOVEMBER 16

**22** CHESHVAN Rachel Armoza Kurt Hering Joey Pearl Ann Rubin Stefan Zweig

### NOVEMBER 17 23 CHESHVAN Bessie Bachman Robert Coblitz Sadje Grand Ronald Hamburg Sarah Labovich Rabbi Oscar Lifshutz Clara Osofsky

NOVEMBER 18

Amy Strong

Kurt Tuchler

### **24** *CHESHVAN* Joshua Bass Abraham Bernstein Joseph Bernstein Joshua Borushok Ruth Felcher Hyman Gardsbane Ellen Halpern Herbert Kammerman Rose Schmetterling Samuel Steinberg

NOVEMBER 19 25 CHESHVAN David Barrish Elaine Brown

### NOVEMBER 20

**26 CHESHVAN** Howard Blafkin Helen Jaffe Sam Krick Eleanor Miller Samuel J. Mollen Jack Rosen

### NOVEMBER 21

**27 CHESHVAN** Sol Baron Samuel Braunstein Nathan Cohen Louise Deutchman Meyer David Green Philip Grossmann Anna Lichterman Rachel Maran Ron Meyers Resel Zeidman

November 22 28 Cheshvan Selma Kubitz

### NOVEMBER 23 29 CHESHVAN Herb Curchack Harold Davis Jeanne Hale

**November 24 30** *Cheshvan* Pearl Fink Lucille Kram

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**1 KISLEV** Robert Agus Marvin Apter Zenita Berman Edward Hallen Rose Kopp Philip Warren

### NOVEMBER 26

**2 Kislev** Alick Abramson Manuel Cohen Myra Pasternak Sam Schuchman Jean Zalevsky

### NOVEMBER 27

**3** *KISLEV* Rosalind Bloom Florence Cohen Jesse Curchack Leonard Hardis Miriam Stein

### NOVEMBER 28

**4 Kislev** Ida Hamburg Arnold Springer Tom Zusman

### November 29 5 Kislev

Jacob Bernstein Jerome Feingold Morris Pachenker Louis Pelish Henrietta Roth Ellen Ungerleider

### NOVEMBER 30 6 Kislev

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### DECEMBER 1 7 Kislev

Bernard Cohen Melford Cohen David Fleitman Nathan Halpern Robert Kandalis Ernest Nash Harry Ohr

### DECEMBER 2 8 KISLEV

Ellen Berman Shirley Blau Joseph Cohen Sophye Cohen Samuel Rosenberg Theodore L. Tetenbaum Lewis Weinbrom

### December 3 9 Kislev

Doris Amster Sidney Brittner Fred Curchack Shirley Fishman Reuben Lapin Rose Oppenheim Levin Ezra Menachem Marcus Moe A. Robinson David Solomon

### DECEMBER 4 10 KISLEV

Arthur Amster Minnie Jorban Muriel Sandler Ada Taylor

### December 5 11 Kislev

Max Blum Zelda Bowen Herbert Brotman Richard Copaken Isaac Eiserike Harry Selinger Aaron Weinstein

### DECEMBER 6 12 KISLEV

George Baroff Fannie Fleitman Fredalynne Pleet Alfons Reich Sam Spiegel

### DECEMBER 7

**13 Kislev** Henry Aronson Toby Baum Max Goldberg Louis Kensky

### DECEMBER 7

**13 KISLEV (CONT.)** Beryl Newman William W. Radin Melvyn Spector George Waltzer

### DECEMBER 8 14 KISLEV

Samuel Altschuler Jeremy Copaken Daniel Kaiser Kieve C. Marquis David Podolsky

### DECEMBER 9 15 KISLEV

Isidor Schechter

### DECEMBER 10 16 KISLEV

Ronald Eisler Dorothy Goldstein Joseph Goldstein Elizabeth Jennes Irvin Lerner Florence Nachamkin Nicky Papageorge Samuel Salit Doris Schlessinger Meyer Taubman

### DECEMBER 11 17 Kislev

Irving Baron Harry Brodofsky Sonya Dunie Max Feinsilber Rebecca Gershowitz Max Glick Samuel Kier Abe Lavine Charlotte Lowenfeld Lilian Lowenfeld Saul Reiter Sharon Silberberg Solomon Zimmerman

### DECEMBER 12

**18 Kislev** Khana Klig Bobbie Leman Anna Levin Suzanne Lifschitz

### DECEMBER 13

**19 KISLEV** Paula Beck Leon Cohen Heinz Eric Gerstle Bernard Prosnit Samuel Rosenthal Jeanette Sohn Joseph Spiegelberg

### December 14

**20 KISLEV** Celia Blum Riva Fishman Regina Grossmann Sam Hendler Herschel Herscovitz Sarah Kensky

### DECEMBER 15

**21 KISLEV** Jacob George Bloom Norman Franklin Jacob Elliott Kleinman Ellyn Polonsky Carl Solomon

### **DECEMBER 16 22 KISLEV** Philip Abramowitz Maurice Binder

Maurice Binder Robert Eisner Gisela Glaser Morris Katz Joseph Levy Bertha Phillips Alice Sachs

### DECEMBER 17 23 KISLEV

Esther Adelson Louis Blum Ann Brotman Marilyn Burdett Alana E. Fishman Judge Jair Kaplan Abraham Kensky Nettie Koeppel Joseph Milenky Abraham Schuchman Herman Sheskin Lazar Volin

### DECEMBER 18

**24 Kislev** Lena Burdett Donna Faye Frank Margaret Gerstle Jean Katz Morton Lerner Alice Regensteiner Fannie Stein

### DECEMBER 19 25 KISLEV

Fay Avery Bonnie Brafman Edna Cohen Goldstein Gilda Greene Julia Gruenfeld Herman Linsenberg Charles Prince Ellen Ungerleider

### **26 KISLEV** Fannie Burdoo Leon Louis Cohen Maurice R Dunie Glenda Goodman Samuel E. Herman Ruth Katzen

**DECEMBER 20** 

Samuel E. Hermar Ruth Katzen Cheryl Lang Alexander Lewis Kate Selinger

### DECEMBER 21 27 KISLEV Irene Barris

Irene Barris Irwin Chornock Otto Lohwasser Freda Willander

### DECEMBER 22 28 KISLEV

Irma Pazo Steven Prince Arnold Schwartz Selma Shapiro Jacob Sperling

### DECEMBER 23

**29 KISLEV** Mildred Baron Jerome Boden Morris Kagan Milton Rodes Fannie Selwyn Arlene Simon Henrietta Zoltrow

### DECEMBER 24

**30 KISLEV** Rose Feinman Max Keusch Dorothy Wolfe

### DECEMBER 25 1 TEVET

Bernard Fattman Frank Feinsilber Jacob Golding David Greenberg Doris Kalman Joshua Krepchin Sidney Sandler Mark Stern Irwin Jan Stolovy

### DECEMBER 26 2 TEVET

Louis Burdoo Peter Schwartzman Judith Sue Sussman

### DECEMBER 27

**3 Tevet** Louis Broadman Jacob Dall Sol Danoff Max Douma Jay Stefan Gorban Pauline Greene Miriam Hoffman Miriam Matathias Julius Novack Theresa Romm

### DECEMBER 28

**4 TEVET** David Cohen Samuel Grossman Ida Levitan Ethel Pear Ruth Seide Gary Shuken Max Teitel Freda Weiss

### DECEMBER 29

**5 TEVET** Hilda Cohen Ida Fattman Louis "Luck" Goldberg Max Klein Lewis Levy Sarah Margolies Nina Matathias Carol Meiselman Alvin Reiner

### December 30 6 Tevet

Virginia Jeanne Andrews John Larry Baer Mauricio Battino Salomon Battino Anita Cowan Irving Fischer Philip L. Helman Jackie Hoffman Karen Goldstein Lipsy Ben Perlmutter Frances Saperstein Fred Stryker

### DECEMBER 31

**7 TEVET** Jack Bendett Helen Berger Eve Benesch Hoffman Daniel Jeremias Sol Leise Anne Segal

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TIKVAT ISRAEL NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2022

NOVEMBER 2022

SAT	<b>5</b> 11 Cheshvan 10:00 AM - Shabbat services (Parashat Lech- Lecha) 11:00 AM - Shabbat Family Jam with Auntie A 6:48 PM -Havdalah	<b>12 18 Cheshvan</b> 10:00 AM - Shabbat services (Parashat Vayera) 11:15 AM - Torah Club 5:41 PM -Havdalah	<b>19 25 Cheshvan</b> 10:00 AM - Shabbat services (Parashat Chayei Sara) 11:00 AM - Shabbat Family Jam with Auntie A 5:35 PM - Havdalah	<b>26</b> 2 Kislev 10:00 AM - Shabbat services (Parashat Toldot) 5:31 PM - Havdalah	
FRI	<ul> <li>4 10 Cheshvan</li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>5:48 PM - Candle lighting</li> <li>6:00 PM - KS with I</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>17 Cheshvan</li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>4:41 PM Candle lighting</li> <li>6:00 PM - Kabbalat</li> <li>Shabbat</li> <li>** ECC closed *</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>24 Cheshvan</li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>4:35 PM - Candle</li> <li>lighting</li> <li>6:00 PM Kabbalat</li> <li>Shabbat</li> </ul>	25 1 Kislev ☆ Rosh Chodesh 8:00 AM - Minyan 4:31 PM Candle lighting 6:00 PM - Kabbalat Shabbat ** ECC closed**	
THU	<ul> <li>3 9 Cheshvan</li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>7:30 PM - Minyan</li> </ul>	<b>10</b> 16 Cheshvan 8:00 AM - Minyan 7:30 PM - Minyan	<b>17</b> 23 Cheshvan 8:00 AM - Minyan 7:30 PM - Minyan	<ul> <li>24 30 Cheshvan</li> <li>24 8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>7:30 PM - Minyan</li> <li>** ECC closed **</li> </ul>	
WED	<ul> <li>2 8 Cheshvan</li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>7:30 PM - Minyan</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><b>15 Cheshvan</b></li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>10:00 AM - Blood Drive</li> <li>4:30 PM - Stepping</li> <li>Stones Project</li> <li>7:30 PM - Minyan</li> </ul>	<b>16</b> 22 Cheshvan 8:00 AM - Minyan 7:30 PM - Minyan	<ul> <li>23 29 Cheshvan</li> <li>24 Sigd</li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>1:00 PM - ECC Early</li> <li>Dismissal</li> <li>7:30 PM - Minyan</li> </ul>	<b>3O</b> 6 Kislev 8:00 AM - Minyan 7:30 PM - Minyan
TUE	7 Cheshvan 8:00 AM - Minyan 7:30 PM - Minyan	<ul> <li><b>8</b> 14 Cheshvan</li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>7:30 PM - Minyan</li> </ul>	<b>15</b> 21 Cheshvan 8:00 AM - Minyan 7:30 PM - Minyan	<b>22</b> 28 Cheshvan 8:00 AM - Minyan 7:30 PM - Minyan	<ul> <li>29 5 Kislev</li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>7:30 PM - Minyan</li> </ul>
NOM		<ul> <li>13 Cheshvan</li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>7:30 PM - Minyan</li> <li>8:00 PM - Chai</li> <li>Dynamics</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>14 20 Cheshvan</li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>7:30 PM - Minyan</li> <li>8:00 PM - Chai</li> <li>Dynamics</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>21 27 Cheshvan</li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>7:30 PM - Minyan</li> <li>8:00 PM - Chai</li> <li>Dynamics</li> </ul>	28 4 Kislev 8:00 AM - Minyan 7:30 PM - Minyan 8:00 PM - Chai Dynamics
SUN		<ul> <li>12 Cheshvan</li> <li>9:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>10:00 AM - Member</li> <li>Kaffeeklatsch</li> <li>7:30 PM - Israeli</li> <li>Dancing, Minyan</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>13 19 Cheshvan</li> <li>9:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>7:30 PM - Israeli</li> <li>Dancing, Minyan</li> </ul>	<b>2O</b> 26 Cheshvan 9:00 AM - Minyan 7:30 PM - Israeli Dancing, Minyan	<b>27</b> 3 Kislev 9:00 AM - Minyan 7:30 PM - Israeli Dancing, Minyan

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SAT	<b>3</b> 9 Kislev 10:00 AM- Shabbat services (Parashat Vayetzei) 5:29 PM - Havdalah	10 16 Kislev 10:00 AM- Shabbat services (Parashat Vayishlach) 11:15 AM - Torah Club 5:29 PM - Havdalah	<ol> <li>23 Kislev</li> <li>10:00 AM- Shabbat services (Parashat Vayeshev)</li> <li>5:30 PM - Havdalah</li> </ol>	24 30 Kislev 10:00 AM- Shabbat services (Parashat Miketz) 10:30 AM - Torah Club 5:36 PM - Havdalah	<b>31</b> 7 Tevet 10:00 AM- Shabbat services (Parashat Vayigash) 5:37 PM - Havdalah
FRI	2 8 Kislev 8:00 AM - Minyan 4:29 PM - Candle lighting 6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat	<ul> <li><b>9</b> 15 Kislev</li> <li>8:00 AM - Minyan</li> <li>4:29 PM - Candle</li> <li>lighting</li> <li>6:00 PM Kabbalat</li> <li>Shabbat</li> </ul>	16 22 Kislev 8:00 AM - Minyan 4:30 PM - Candle lighting 6:00 PM - KS with I	23 W 29 Kislev 8:00 AM - Minyan 4:23 PM - Candle lighting 6:00 PM- Kabbalat Shabbat	<b>30</b> AM - Minyan 8:00 AM - Minyan 4:37 PM - Candle lighting 6:00 PM- Kabbalat Shabbat ** ECC closed **
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## DATED MATERIALS .... PLEASE DELIVER PROMPTLY

## An Outdoor Ritual of the Season



Pizza in the Hut, sponsored by the ECC, always draws smiles from participating family members.

Families with children in the ECC enjoyed the annual Pizza in the Hut outing in the synagogue's *sukkah*, where they consumed pizza and salad from Ben Yehuda Pizza, a kosher restaurant. The children and their parents recited the blessings over the food before dining in the *sukkah*. They showed their families the decorations they made for the *sukkah* walls. Everyone had the opportunity to shake the *lulav* and *etrog*, some for the very first time, after instruction from TI staff. (*Photos by Debbie Ungar*)



Aaron Chusid, TI's executive director, delivered lessons to ECC pupils on the proper shaking of the *lulav* inside the *sukkah*.