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FROM THE CLERGY

VOTING RE-DEDICATION

I remember being 7 or 8 years old walking into a voting booth in the cafeteria where I would normally eat my school lunch. The voting booths lined up against beige-tiled walls had huge handles that fell into place with a clunk to close the curtains. My mom thought it was important for me to be there while she voted, and we didn’t have school anyway. Because I voted early this year, I sent my kids a selfie. It’s a whole new world.

I have always enjoyed voting. Before this year, I have never stood in the voting line choking back tears. This year I voted less than 48 hours after 11 Jews were massacred during Shabbat morning prayer. This year, my vote wasn’t just a civic duty and privilege, as it has always been before. My vote was a protest—against hatred and bigotry, a deep heartfelt plea for justice and unity.

Looking around the room where I voted, the beauty of our American diversity was unmistakable. There were Orthodox Jews in black hats and sheitls. There were African-American men and women, a couple of thirty-something white men with a baby in a carseat, and one man wearing a kippah and tzitzit who was also African-American. There was applause and a cheer when an official yelled out “first time voter.” I choked back my tears and I thanked everyone I could – the election officials and the volunteers and the people in line with me.

I am sure that some of those people in line with me did not vote the way I voted. Much as I would like them to believe and vote as I do, I am grateful that we still live in a nation where we can vote differently and co-exist. We still live in a country where our voices matter, even if we must raise them above the din of hateful shouting.

In 2015, former President Barak Obama delivered a eulogy for Reverend Clementa Pinckney, Pastor of the Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, SC, where white supremacist Dylann Roof murdered him along with 8 of his parishioners. In the eulogy, President Obama said:

Whatever solutions we find will necessarily be incomplete. But it would be a betrayal of everything Reverend Pinckney stood for, I believe, if we allow ourselves to slip into a comfortable silence again. Once the eulogies have been delivered, once the TV cameras move on, to go back to business as usual. That’s what we so often do to avoid uncomfortable truths about the prejudice that still infects our society. To settle for symbolic gestures without following up with the hard work of more lasting change, that’s how we lose our way again.

No matter how the election turns out, we cannot slip into a comfortable silence again. We must commit to lasting change again and again. As our tradition teaches, “Lo Alecha Hamlacha Ligmor, V’lo Atah Ben Chorin L’hibateil Mimena.” To paraphrase: It is not your responsibility to complete the work, but neither are you free to stay comfortably silent.

– Rabbi Sachs-Kohen

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GET TO KNOW BHC – BHC YOUTH EDUCATION

From time-to-time, over the next year, I want to focus this column on BHC programs and departments and their impact on our congregation and community. Some of the columns, such as this one, will deal with visible departments where our congregants and community may have a specific need or interest. Others will focus on groups that are more behind the scenes, but nonetheless are a critical part of our BHC community. All of these are part of what I call “Get to know BHC.”

At BHC, one of our primary functions is to educate our children in the ethics, values, and principles of Judaism and the study of our sacred Torah. We are so proud to have a vibrant Youth Education program that is led by Brad Cohen, our Director of Education since 2010. Under his guidance, our Youth Education has thrived and grown. Our Kindergarten-7th grade now numbers about 265 students, which has been steadily growing every year Brad has been here.

Along with Lauren Offermann Luger, our Assistant Director, Brad leads a highly prepared and committed group of educators in this program. Our faculty meets at least three times a year on Sunday mornings for continuing education to ensure they are kept up to date on the latest trends in Jewish education. This year our teachers are focusing on the professional development methodology espoused in the book “Teach Like A Pirate” by Dave Burgess. The lessons in this study allow our teachers to increase student engagement, along with boosting our teachers’ creativity. Our overall program is so successful that Brad has been asked to share his programs and assist other congregations adopting BHC’s ideas and programs, such as our “Escape the Room” Sukkot program and our successful youth Havdalah program.

In addition, Brad has instituted a new cutting-edge Hebrew program that focuses on teaching Hebrew auditorily, thereby delaying the difficult task of decoding Hebrew until our students are closer to Bar and Bat Mitzvah age.

The success of our K-7th grade program has been duplicated in our teen program. That program is NextGen: The Millie and Alvin Blum 8th-12th Grade Teen Program. Now in its second year, the program numbers about 50 students that gives our teens the ability to navigate their Judaism and construct their own teen community at BHC. The students are given a full menu of options, where they can design their own schedules and take ownership of their Jewish engagement. It is designed to meet teens where they are and provide exciting opportunities to establish their individual and collective Jewish identity.

Our E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center, under the leadership of Jill Eisen, is also a leading child center in our community. Our infant program continuously has a waiting list of applicants and our programs for preschoolers have been successfully preparing children for future education for over 30 years. This year Jill has added a program in mindfulness that helps the children pay more attention to the present moment, be in touch with how their body feels, and the senses they experience to better understand both their own feelings and the feelings of others.

Our Youth Education is in good hands at BHC, and we are growing! Feel free to visit and learn more about all of our education programs. We are always looking for volunteers to help out and welcome those who want to get involved. Please share the news of our great and growing program with your friends and family, especially those with school-aged children.

~ Richard D. Gross
BHC President

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UPCOMING AT BHC

FAMILY CHANUKAH PROGRAM
Sunday, December 2, 9 AM
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

ADULT BEGINNER HEBREW CLASS
Sundays, December 2, 9 & 16, 9:15 AM
This class is for adult BHC members with little or no Hebrew reading ability and will fulfill the beginner Hebrew requirement for the Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah program. INFO: David Bielenberg, dbielenberg@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1587, ext. 250.

ADULT TORAH TROPE
Sundays, December 2, 9 & 16, 11:15 AM
Join BHC’s cadre of Torah chanter’s by learning to recognize the trope symbols and their melodies. If you can decode Hebrew and carry a simple tune, you have all the tools you need. Classes are for adult BHC members. INFO: David Bielenberg, dbielenberg@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1587, ext. 250.

TRIPLE TREAT THURSDAYS
Thursdays, December 6, 13 & 20, 10 AM
Join us for wonderful learning, discussion, and noshing as we explore topics taught by BHC educators, clergy, and lay leaders. Schmooze during our meet and greet at 10 AM, then learn from 10:30 AM-Noon. Everyone is welcome to attend all or part of the sessions. There is no charge for the program. INFO: Brad Cohen, Director of Education, bcohen@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1587, ext. 290.

CHANUKAH SHABBAT AND DINNER
Friday, December 7, 6:15 PM
See the Program Highlights column on page 6 for details.

PJ SHABBAT
Friday, December 7, 6:15 PM
This month we will have a very special PJ Shabbat that begins with Chanukah Shabbat. Midway through the service, PJ Shabbat families will break-out to do their own special activities.

KOL ECHAD: INCLUSIVE SHABBAT
Saturday, December 8, 11 AM
See page 6 for details.

NEXTGEN: CONFIRMATION PARENT SOCIAL
Saturday, December 8, 5 PM
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

NEXTGEN: MOVIE NIGHT
Saturday, December 8, 5 PM
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

YOUTH EDUCATION
Sundays, December 9 & 16, 9 AM
Youth Education Sundays enable students ages 3-13 to develop a foundation of Jewish life as part of an inclusive, vibrant, active community. INFO: Brad Cohen, Director of Education, 410-764-1587, ext. 290 or bcohen@baltimorehebrew.org.

PEP: PURSUING EDUCATIONAL POSSIBILITIES
Sundays, December 9 & 16, 9 AM
PEP: Pursuing Educational Possibilities is an ongoing Sunday morning learning opportunity enjoyed by BHC congregants. This fall, we have Rabbi Busch teaching “Contemporary Dilemmas via Reform Jewish Perspectives” at 9:30 AM, and Rabbi Amy Scheinerman teaching “Judaisms” at 10:45 AM. Every PEP class begins with bagels and sweets and concludes at 11:45 AM. INFO: Ruth Spivak, spivackpa@verizon.net or 410-666-1891.

YOUTH GROUP (1ST-7TH GRADES)
Sunday, December 9, Noon
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

AZURE CONCERT
Sunday, December 9, 2 PM
See page 6 for details.

NEXTGEN: ROSH HODESH/SEVET ACHIM
Monday, December 10, 6 PM
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

AN EVENING WITH THE LIGHTS WHO GUIDE US
Tuesday, December 11, 7 PM
See page 10 for details.

SPARC DINNER
Wednesday, December 12, 7 PM
BHC volunteers will host a holiday dinner for the clients of SPARC. INFO: Nicki Stratford, nstratford@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1587, ext. 246.

FAMILY SHABBAT AND DINNER
Friday, December 14, 6:15 PM
This creative service is led by students, songleader Cory Hermann, our rabbis, cantors, and educators on the second Friday of each month at 6:15 PM. It is a shorter, more musical and visual service geared towards families with children in kindergarten and up. Following, all families are invited to a Shabbat dinner; reservations for dinner are required. INFO: Nicki Stratford, Coordinator of Engagement and Programming, nstratford@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1587, ext. 246.

FAMILY SHABBAT EDUCATION
Saturday, December 15, 3 PM
Families join to learn Torah and Jewish values in a hands-on way. INFO: Brad Cohen, Director of Education, 410-764-1587, ext. 290 or bcohen@baltimorehebrew.org.

PJ HAVDALAH
Saturday, December 15, 4 PM
Say goodbye to Shabbat during our newest opportunity for Infant–Pre-K children, the third Saturday of every month, 4 PM. It is a great way to build connections with BHC families, our clergy, and educators.

NEW MEMBER BREAKFAST
Sunday, December 16, 9 AM
See page 6 for details.

BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST
Sunday, December 16, 9:30 AM
See page 10 for details.

NEXTGEN: “TASTE OF” ART WITH A HEART
Tuesday, December 18, 6 PM
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

SHARING SHABBAT
Sharing Shabbat volunteers lead services at various independent and assisted-living facilities. We do a monthly service at North Oaks, Autumn Ridge Health Center, and Springwell, and weekly services at Arden Court. Our appreciation goes out to all of the volunteers who faithfully do these services. INFO: Carol J. Caplan, BHC Cares Chair, caroljc@comcast.net.
Blessings

Baruch atah Adonai Melech haolam asher kid’shanu b’mitzvotav v’tsivanu l’hadlik ner shel Chanukah.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to kindle the Chanukah lights.

Baruch atah Adonai Melech haolam she-asah nisim lavoteinu bayamim haheim baz’man hazeh.

Blessed are you, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who performed wondrous deeds for our ancestors in days of old at this season.

1st Night Only

Baruch atah Adonai Melech haolam shehecheyanu v’kiy’manu v’higianu laz’man hazeh.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, for giving us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this season.

Chanukah Candles and Questions

Lighting the First Night’s candles and including the Shehecheyanu blessing, let us mention what we are thankful for in our lives. Lighting the First Night’s candle takes place on Sunday, December 2, 2018.

Lighting the Second Night’s candles, let us consider the Psalmist’s words: “Light is sown for the righteous, joy for the upright” (Psalm 97:11). What can we do during this festival to bring light to the world around us?

Lighting the Third Night’s candles, let us not only celebrate this festival through enjoying latkes, lighting candles, and exchanging gifts. May we also explore other foods, such as sufganiot (jelly doughnuts), sing Chanukah songs, and read and learn about Chanukah stories and traditions.

Lighting the Fourth Night’s candles, may we pause to remember those who have fought for the renewal of Judaism, including the Maccabees, but also those in every generation who have worked to breathe continuing new life into our ancient tradition. How might we add to the creative flourishing of Judaism?

Lighting the Fifth Night’s candles, may we grapple with the possibility of miracles in the world. The oil’s lasting eight days doesn’t appear in Jewish texts for centuries after the Hasmoneans’ (another name for the Maccabees) second century BCE victory, yet Jews have cherished this image for millennia. Consider what you believe about miracles.

Lighting the Sixth Night’s candles, let us remember those with whom we have celebrated Chanukah in past years. Despite the possible sadness of their loss or absence, let us remember those who have brought joy to the celebrations in our lives. BHC’s Chanukah Service will take place on Friday, December 7, 2018, 6:15 PM.

Lighting the Seventh Night’s candles, let us consider the words of the prophet Zechariah: “Not by might, nor by power, but by My spirit” (4:6). What might it have meant to our ancestors to seek strength in God? What might it mean for us? As we celebrate Shabbat, may we sense the strength of past of generations.

Lighting the Eighth and Final Night’s candles, may the glow of these many candles last beyond the week of Chanukah. How might we continue to learn about or act upon our Judaism between now and next Chanukah?
ESSENTIALS

COMING UP:

COME LIGHT THE MENORAH
It is hard to believe that Chanukah is already here again. We will join for our annual Chanukah dinner and celebration on Friday, December 7. Join us at 6:15 pm for services in the Sanctuary. Bring your family menorah and candles, and we will light the candles together in the windows of the Sanctuary. Dinner will immediately follow, including a donut cart for dessert. Dinner is $15 a person or $36 a family. RSVP: baltimorehebrew.org/channukah.

KOL ECHAD: INCLUSIVE SHABBAT
Eight Baltimore-area synagogues and two agencies from The Associated: Jewish Community Federation of Baltimore have joined forces to continue the series “Kol Echad: Inclusive Shabbat” for school-aged children with special needs and their families. BHC is excited to host this month, Saturday, December 8, 11 AM. The 45-minute sessions will include music and movement breaks and are open to students of all abilities and their families. Sensory products like a crash pad, weighted blanket and light covers are available. INFO & RSVP: Rachel Turniansky, rturniansky@cjebaltimore.org or 410-735-5022

AZURE FAMILY CONCERT
The second Azure Family Concert for People with Autism and Related Challenges of the 2018-19 season will take place on Sunday, December 9, 2-3 pm, at Baltimore Hebrew Congregation and will feature the wonderful Trio Jinx, comprised of violin, viola, flute and double bass. These public events are designed specifically for people with autism and similar challenges. The program seeks to create opportunities for children and young adults and their families to enjoy classical music in a relaxed and welcoming environment. Our motto is: “All Behaviors Welcome!” Family members and caregivers of all ages are welcome to attend. Admission is free, but tickets are required. This concert is generously sponsored by the Peggy and Yale Gordon Trust. TICKETS: azurebaltimore.org

NEW MEMBER BREAKFAST
We will be holding another opportunity for our newest members to gather and officially be welcomed into the BHC family. On Sunday, December 16, 9 AM we will have a breakfast in the library. We look forward to welcoming those who could not make it to the dinner in October. INFO & RSVP: Nicki Stratford, Coordinator of Engagement and Programming, nstratford@baltimorehebrew.org

COMMUNITY MITZVAH DAY
BHC will be taking part in Community Mitzvah Day on Tuesday, December 25, 9 AM-Noon. We welcome volunteers to join us on Community Mitzvah Day for a meaningful and fun project that will once again benefit the clients of Paul’s Place. Together, we will make casseroles, special holiday treats, and more. We will provide a light breakfast, social action inspiration, and good music. The Baltimore County Police and Community Relations Council, Precinct 4 Pikesville will help donate to our projects. INFO & RSVP: Nicki Stratford, Coordinator of Engagement and Programming, nstratford@baltimorehebrew.org

OUR DAILY BREAD: CHRISTMAS CASSEROLES
For more than two decades, members of the BHC community have provided Christmas Dinner for the guests at Our Daily Bread. We continue our service this year with the awareness that for so many of those years, our efforts were orchestrated by Sally Palmbaum, z”l, of blessed memory.

There are many ways to be part of our Christmas Dinner efforts. Here are the needs: 40 turkeys – cooked, sliced and frozen, 60 pans of dressing – prepared and frozen. BHC will provide the pans (Stove Top is fine, 4 boxes per pan). Monetary donations (made out to Our Daily Bread) will be used to purchase institutional size cans of green beans, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, fresh dinner rolls and cake for dessert. Volunteers are also needed – spaces are limited to 40. This opportunity is open to BHC members only.

DONATE OR VOLUNTEER: Lauren Yetter, 410-764-1587, ext. 232 or lyetter@baltimorehebrew.org

WINTER NIGHTS ON PARK HEIGHTS
Winter Nights on Park Heights is back. BHC clergy, educators, and members will facilitate lively current event discussions on Thursdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31, 6:30 pm. Light snacks and drinks will be served. Come on over to BHC to warm up and enjoy an evening of current events. INFO: Nicki Stratford, Coordinator of Engagement and Programming, nstratford@baltimorehebrew.org

NEW YEAR, NEW CONCERT, NEW DATE
BHC will host our annual New Year’s Concert on a brand new day! Spend the afternoon at BHC on Sunday, January 6, 2 pm enjoying classical music to celebrate the first week of the secular New Year. This year’s concert features AmiciMusic (“Music Among Friends”), the award-winning, critically-acclaimed chamber music organization based in Baltimore. They are dedicated to high quality concerts in intimate venues and to breaking down barriers between performers and audience through informal talks before each piece. Four world-class musicians—Emmanuel Borowsky, violin; Anna Pelczer, viola; Frances Borowsky, cello; and Daniel Weiser, piano—will perform on this very special “OPUS ONE” program that features two incredible piano quartets that were the first published works by two great composers, Felix Mendelssohn (age 14) and Josef Suk (age 17), as well as an exciting movement by Suk’s mentor and father-in-law, Antonin Dvorak. Admission is free, and all are welcome. No tickets or RSVP required.

MEMBERS: Log on to our website, baltimorehebrew.org, for our online Membership Directory, to pay your bill or make a donation. Simply click “forgot your ID or password?” to have your login information emailed to you.

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SABBATICAL
Rabbi Busch is appreciative that BHC has granted him Sabbatical from January 11 to April 5, 2019. During his absence from BHC, the other clergy, staff, and lay leaders will ensure that our congregational needs continue to be met. Also, BHC is happy to welcome Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin to lead a number of services during this time period. Rabbi Singer-Beilin’s biography will be included in the January Bulletin. He resides in Washington, D.C., and we look forward to learning from and being inspired by him.

PURSUING EDUCATIONAL POSSIBILITIES
Judaism offers us great opportunities to learn about our traditions, the world, and ourselves. PEP, Pursuing Educational Possibilities, is an ongoing Sunday morning learning opportunity, enjoyed by BHC congregants for decades.

It’s time to sign up for the spring semester. This spring, Dr. Susanna Garfein will teach “Voices From The Biblical World,” at 9:30 AM, which will explore some of the most important archaeological and textual discoveries that shed light on the history and context of the Bible. Dr. Neil Rubin will teach “Jews and Christians: Interfaith Relations In America” at 10:45 AM, which will survey the present-day scene of Jewish community relations with the Roman Catholic Church, mainstream Protestants, Evangelical Protestants and Muslims.

The semester begins Sunday, February 10, 9 AM and continues select Sundays throughout the spring. INFO & REGISTRATION: Ruth Spivak, spivakcpa@verizon.net, 410-666-1891, or fill out a flyer on BHC’s main flyer table.

59TH ANNUAL INTERFAITH INSTITUTE
Women of BHC will hold its 59th Annual Interfaith Institute, Monday, March 11, 2019, 9:30 AM-2 PM. Our vital and timely topic is “Evangelical Christianity, American Politics, and the State of Israel.” Our Keynote speaker will be Dr. Matthew J. Taylor, Protestant Scholar for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies (ICJS). Our first responder will be Rabbi Geoff Basik, the founding Rabbi of Kol Halev Synagogue Community. Stay tuned for more details in January.

KOL RINNAH
Do you like to sing? Our Congregational choir is always open to new voices. We rehearse on most Monday nights at 7 PM and perform at Shabbat services about once every month. The atmosphere is welcoming, and you don’t have to read Hebrew to succeed. Try it, you’ll like it. INFO: David Bielenberg, dbielenberg@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1587, ext. 250.

HIGH SCHOOL ISRAEL SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE
BHC happily provides scholarships to help our high school students travel to Israel on organized youth high school trips. We are also glad to provide guidance on choosing a trip. Please note that participating in a high school Israel trip generally still leaves the student eligible to participate in a Birthright trip in or after college. INFO: Brad Cohen, Director of Education, 410-764-1587, ext. 290 or bcohen@baltimorehebrew.org

ANNUAL GIVING
DON’T MISS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO QUALIFY FOR A YEAR-END CHARITABLE DEDUCTION!
December marks the year’s end, and with the celebration of Chanukah, it is a time to remember that miracles can happen. This year many of you have been incredibly generous with your support and time. If you’ve been delayed making your Annual Giving 2018-19 pledge, now is the time. If you make and pay your Annual Giving pledge by December 31, 2018, you may receive a valuable year-end charitable deduction.

Your support is critical now. BHC programs exist because of your generous gifts to Annual Giving. Congregation dues comprise only 47% of the yearly revenue that is necessary to maintain our facility, including our building, utilities and grounds, sustain a dynamic educational program for children and adults, and uphold our commitment to our wonderful and vibrant congregation.

BHC is our Jewish Home – the place where we gather, grow and share the events in our lives, whether they are sad or joyous. I urge you to join us in making a contribution to BHC’s Annual Giving Campaign. Giving from the heart feels so good.

It’s easy: just go to baltimorehebrew.org to make your Annual Giving gift. You can also contact me, asaxon@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1487 ext. 236. Your gift is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Annette Saxon
Director of Development

TAX TIP
Here’s a tax tip you might find helpful and reduce your taxes this year when making a commitment to BHC’s Annual Giving Campaign. Increasingly, more and more of our congregants are making their charitable gifts by donating stock that has appreciated in value rather than writing a check. This makes smart tax sense. You get a charitable tax deduction for the Fair Market Value of the stock as of the date of transfer to BHC. Generally, there is no tax on the capital gain when donating appreciated stock. Consult with your tax advisor to determine if donating appreciated securities to BHC is beneficial to your tax situation.

High School Israel Scholarship Available
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Simcha Tree of Life
Thank You for purchasing a leaf on our Simcha Tree of Life since the publication of our November Bulletin: ALMA BERGMAN

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BHC STUDENT WRITES FROM ISRAEL
Ellie Plisko, a BHC high school student is spending this fall semester in the Union for Reform Judaism’s Heller EIE High School in Israel program. We are glad to share the following reflection from Ellie:

Saying goodbye to my parents for 4 months at JFK airport, and getting onto an 11-hour flight with 27 other kids that I didn’t know was one of the boldest choices I’ve ever made. But, it’s crazy to think that after living here in Israel for just 2 months I feel more connected to Judaism than I ever have and have met some of my best friends. Being able to spend a semester of high school here is an experience I will never forget. Learning about the history of the Jewish people and getting to go to the places where it happened makes everything seem so much more real. Waking up at 4 AM with my friends and hiking Masada was a huge challenge for me that was 100% worth it because of the beautiful sunrise I got to watch with some of my favorite people. I’ve heard so many stories about Israel from friends and family but those stories really don’t do this beautiful country justice; it’s something I had to see for myself. I’ve had the opportunity to travel all around whether it was driving from Haifa to Eilat, or hiking from the Kineret to the Mediterranean Sea and learn more than I ever thought I would. My teachers are not only my role models but my friends and my friends are my family. Looking at where I was at the end of August to where I am now, I am so grateful I chose to get on that plane and come on this journey.

YOUTH EDUCATION

SUNDAYS
The Youth Education teachers take time every year to study a book, grow as teachers, refine our skills, and create amazing experiences for your kids. This year we are studying a book called “Teach Like a Pirate,” and although you won’t see any of our teachers ‘talking like a pirate,’ this book explores: passion, immersion, rapport, ask and analyze, transformation and enthusiasm. We will read this book throughout the year and study during our Professional Development days that happen three times a year.

FAMILY
Family Shabbat Education: We will explore the weekly Torah portion and how it pertains to our lives in an interactive experiential manner. Family Chanukah Program: Hershel and the Chanukah Goblins. Help Hershel save BHC from the Chanukah Goblins in this fun, silly, challenging adventure.

NFTY CONVENTION REGISTRATION
NFTY Convention Registration is still open. The 2018 NFTY Convention will take place February 15-18 in Dallas, Texas. NFTY Convention is truly the ultimate NFTY event. It’s everything you love about NFTY—the friends, the music, the ruach, the leadership opportunities, the...you get it—but bigger. This year, we’re going all out to bring you a NFTY Convention like nothing before, with tons of options to customize your schedule—like incredible offsite trips, teen-powered programming across the hotel, chances to meet with teen and adult Reform Jewish Leaders, a bigger Big Fun than you’ve ever experienced, and some surprises. Registration ends January 8—don’t miss out: nftyconvention.org.

INFO & RSVP:
Brad Cohen, Director of Education,
410-764-1587, ext. 290 or bcohen@baltimorehebrew.org
Lauren Offermann Luger, Assistant Director of Education,
410-764-1587, ext. 248 or loffermann@baltimorehebrew.org

1ST-7TH GRADE YOUTH GROUP
After Youth Education on Sunday, December 9, Noon-2 PM, 1st-7th graders are welcome to join us for a pizza lunch. Then participants will learn about and participate in a reptile show. Following the show, they can choose between making crafts with gimp, playing basketball, or hanging in the youth lounge. INFO, RSVP OR VOLUNTEER: Lauren Offermann Luger, contact below.

NEXTGEN: THE MILLIE AND ALVIN BLUM
8TH-12TH GRADE TEEN PROGRAM
Each opportunity for teens at BHC enables them to pick and choose their Jewish path. We offer a range of topics and styles each month to provide programming that makes the teens passionate. Check out what December brings for teen engagement:

Movie Night: Saturday, December 8, 5-8 PM. BHC teens take to the town with dinner and a movie in Hunt Valley.

Confirmation Parent Social: Saturday, December 8, 5-7 PM. We provide opportunities for our NextGen parents as well. Our Confirmation parents will be joined on the town by our clergy and educators to schmooze, eat, and learn more about the topics being covered during the Confirmation experience.

Rosh Hodesh/Shevet Achim: Monday, December 10, 6-8 PM. Rosh Hodesh uses Jewish teachings to give girls a place to feel safe, articulate their deepest concerns, consider the impact of gender on their daily lives, have fun, and be ‘real’ with their peers, led by Lauren Offermann Luger. Shevet Achim, led by Brad Cohen, helps teen boys explore two primary questions: “What does it mean to be a man?” and “What does it mean to be a mensch?”

NFTY MAJYK: Friday-Sunday, December 14-16. 6th-8th grade teens will enjoy a weekend retreat that enables them to meet new people, experience a taste of NFTY, and learn about the traditions and lingo. NFTY is the North American Federation of Temple Youth. There are nearly 20 regions within NFTY in the US. We are MAR (Mid-Atlantic Region), which encompasses DC, Virginia, Maryland, and North Carolina. There are 6 Kallahs (or retreats) a year, and this is the first one your teens can participate in. I attend NFTY events, and will be available to your children and accessible to you all weekend.

Art With A Heart: Tuesday, December 18, 6-8 PM. Teens will partner with Art With A Heart to create a mosaic to be displayed at BHC.
Learning is so exciting. We can learn from anything, anywhere. Sylvia Rouss wrote a wonderful new Chanukah poem. After reading the poem, ask your children, “What elements make up Chanukah?” Make it a game. Make it dance. Have fun. I can’t wait to hear what your children say and do.

Five Little Dreidels
By Sylvia Rouss

It’s Chanukah the dreidels shout, time for lots of fun.
Come and join the party. Start spinning everyone.
Five bobbling dreidels begin to dance the hora.

One takes a tumble and falls by the menorah.
Four giggling dreidels find chocolate gelt appealing.
One takes a hop and bounces off the ceiling.

Three gliding dreidels skate across the floor.
One grabs a latke and slides right out the door.

Two twirling dreidels see donuts filled with jelly.
One stops to eat and fills its little belly.

One lonely dreidel wants to have some fun.
He searches for his friends. He misses everyone.

Five little dreidels find each other at last.
They all form a line and start spinning very fast.
And as they stop their turning, they stand up straight and tall.

Five dreidels shout, “Happy Chanukah to all!”

We are always looking for caring and nurturing adults to substitute. INFO: jeisen@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-7281.

Chanukah With Chai Life
Chai Life is heading into the winter months with a calendar of old hits and some new ideas. This month we will be joining with the greater BHC community for the Chanukah service and dinner on Friday, December 7, 6:15 pm. We will also be taking our talents to the rink for an afternoon of ice skating fun. Check out the Chai Life calendar on the BHC website or the Chai Life Facebook page to stay up to date on all of our programs.

Shira Moskowitz
Chai Life Chair

ARE YOU IN YOUR 20s OR 30s?
Be part of Chai Life gatherings such as trivia nights, kickball games, Shabbat dinners, “Helping Hons” and more!

Hoffberger Gallery

Waving Through a Window
Work by Ricki Baker
Exhibit: November 1-January 15

Artist’s Biography: Ricki Baker began creating art several years ago, impelled to give visual expression to her passion for theater, particularly Broadway musicals. Without a preconceived image or color palette, her work takes shape while she listens to music in her studio. “I choose the music randomly, and as I look at a blank canvas, something starts to happen. Strange as it may sound, I’m kind of seeing the music. Thoughts have nothing to do with it. In fact, any time I try consciously to plan a painting, I’m unhappy with the result.”

She is active in the arts community in Naples, FL where she is on the Board of the Naples Art Association. Ricki was selected in a juried event to design and paint a giant fiberglass Sea Turtle to benefit the Southwest Florida Nature Conservancy, and she designed the holiday cards for the Naples Art Association. Ricki’s work is represented in numerous private collections.
**THURSDAY STUDY GROUP**
An ongoing program, our Thursday Treats study group, meets at 10:30 every Thursday morning in the Fink Assembly. Led by one of the clergy, it is always informative and current, and a chance to interact with our leaders—not to mention very enjoyable. All are welcome!

**JUDAICA SHOP**
Stop by our Judaica Shop, filled with everything you need for gifts, holidays, and your home. We have unique items for the holidays.

The shop is open **Sundays, 9 AM-12:30 PM, Tuesday 4:30-7:30 PM, and Thursdays, 11 AM-1 PM.** To schedule an appointment outside of these times, call Paula Cohen, 410-292-4439. All proceeds go to the Women of BHC.

**FIND OUT MORE.** Learn the benefits of joining Women of BHC: baltimorehebrew.org/sisterhood/about

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**BROTHERHOOD NEWS**

**BROTHERHOOD BREAKFASTS**

**Sunday, December 16**
Our next breakfast will be **Sunday, December 16, 9:30 AM,** featuring David London, a storyteller and magician who creates and presents original, interactive magical experiences. He has staged numerous original theatrical magic shows and authored manuscripts related to magic and illusion. David will discuss just what magic is and lead us through what it means to be a magician. He will also teach us a trick. Visit BHC’s online calendar to RSVP today: baltimorehebrew.org/breakfast

**Sunday, January 13**
Our first 2019 breakfast will be on **Sunday, January 13, 9:30 AM.** The speaker is Jeff Goldstein, Ph.D., Director of the National Center for Earth and Space Science Education (NCESSE) and of the Arthur C. Clarke Institute for Space Education. Jeff gave an acclaimed talk, “A Voyage that will Forever Change Your Perspective of Home” at our Sunday breakfast last year—November 2017. A tentative topic for his upcoming presentation is “Human Exploration—Celebrating the Past, Embracing the Present, and Inspiring the Future.”

Brotherhood events are always free for members, while others are welcome to attend for a small fee. **INFO:** Sid Bravmann, 410-952-6352 and David Felzenberg, 410-719-1405.

**QUESTIONS FOR BROTHERHOOD? WE HAVE THE ANSWERS!**

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**EVENINGS WITH THE LIGHTS WHO GUIDE US**
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**DO SOCIAL ACTION WITH WOMEN OF BHC**
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In addition, on the fourth Thursday of the months of January, March, and May, WBHC members gather to help pack bags of food for city school children for weekends, when the food support supplied by their schools is not available.

Another vital community service is WBHC’s Phones for Chana campaign. Any used but still working phone of any style can aid someone in need of protection from domestic violence. All personal information is erased and a new sim card installed. Congregants can bring unused or obsolete phones to the Temple office at any time.

**INTERFAITH INSTITUTE**
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OFFERINGS

IN MEMORIAM
We record with sorrow the passing of

Evan David Carton
Cecile Cooper
Mimi Cooper
Judith Z. Gross
Carol Haines
Harriet Koenigsburg
Dr. Jay Schein
Neil Seidenman
Dr. Alvin Stambler

May their memories be for a blessing.

PERPETUAL MEMORIALS

December 7-8
Sarah Adler
Samuel Benesch
Sadie B. Blankman
Alvin M. Braverman
Phyllis B. Brotman
Thomas R. Brown, Sr.
Maurice U. Cahn
Gertrude Chaifetz
Brianna Rose Cohen
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Jesse Hamburger
Joseph Harrow
Nathan Herman
David Edward Hettlemann
Edward Himmelfarb
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Charles Howard Hyman
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Faye B. Schulman
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Fannie Hecht Smith

December 14-15
Jacob Abraham
Norman Alper
Helen Kahn Bar
Emanuel Baum
Gwen R. Becker
Abe Behrend
Clara Bergman
Harry M. Black
Allan A. Blankman
Rose Brooks
Janella Stewart Cohen
Irma Klaff Davison
Sarah De Boskey
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Sarah Rebecca Freeman
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Hackerman
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Raymond Hart
Nathan Herskovitz
Reba F. Horwitz
Louis Hyman
Thomas Iseckof
Mary Juttner
Jerome William Kahn
Max Kahn
Bertha Kaufman
Harry Koren

December 21-22
Alene S. Adler
Benjamin Arbesman
William J. Ayares
Helen Urievna Bachrach
A. Harris Baer
Harold Newton Barr
Mary Berliner

Isadore Sollod
Florette Steel
Sadie Stern
Emanuel Strauss
Yudice Marcia Stuck
Jean Schoeneman
Sussman
Raymond Sussman
Emma Thalheimer
Jean Menaged
Tishman
Sherry Lynn Tossman
Edna Welfeld
Harold L. White
Sara K. Yudelson
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Amy Jennifer Scherr Stolz
Frederick Strauss
Johanna Thalheimer
Carl Weil
Charles Weissman
Jacob Winer
Samuel Wolsbarsht
Juliette Robinson Wolf

December 28-29
Sophia (Sunny)
Aronenberg
Isaac Aroesty
Simon L. Aronson
Jeffrey Barrett
Julius R. Bell
Lillian Bender
Carrie Blankenberg
Henry Blankman
Meyer Blumberg
Jacob Brafman
Leah A. Brown
Gustave Brunn
Anna W. Carton
Pauline Rosenberg Cohn
James F. Cooper
Maurice H. Cooper
Miriam M.
Lewenberg
Cohen
Helen M.
Dalsheimer
Emily Ehrenreich
Flora Bechhofer
Ennis
Louis Farber
Joseph Farkas
Lillian Felsen
Joan Marks Fogler
Doris Kobren Folkoff
Bernard Gamermman
Rose Erlander
Goldman
Sadie Jacobs Goldman
Jack Goldstein
Samuel J. Gross
Nathan Gutman

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Special Birthdays

Special Anniversaries
45th Carolyn Polowy & Carl Silverman
40th Pamela & Richard Peterson
Adrienne & Allen Yaker
30th Karen & John Singer
10th Rachel Lorver & Matthew Weiner

B’nai Mitzvah
October 20
Reisa Blum, granddaughter of Sheilah and Simon Kalderon

December 1
Corin Winikoff, son of Esther and Stephen Winikoff

December 8
Ruby Shapiro, daughter of Meira and James Shapiro

December 15
Dean Gedansky, son of Christine and Lee Gedansky
Carli Lederman, daughter of Jody and Marc Lederman, granddaughter of Phyllis G. and Richard M. Lederman

Births
Milo Selah Asscher, son of Rachel Rowland and Yotam Asscher, grandson of Cantor Judith and Michael Rowland
Halel Dvash Masud, daughter of Inna and Erez Masud, great-granddaughter of Betty Meyers
Jacob Marshall Medvin, son of Rachel & Michael Medvin, grandson of Becky & Larry Gutin
Jacob Ethan Sherman, son of Candace Arbesman and Jared Sherman, grandson of Barbara & Steven Arbesman

We gratefully acknowledge the following offerings:
For the speedy recovery of
Susan Berman, by Suzanne Strutt
Dr. Barry Cohen, by Barbara & Arnold Sindler
Harvey Goldstock, by Ellen & Alvin Levi
Dr. Richard Gross, by Ellen & Alvin Levi
Ira Kolman, by Benjy Dubin

In honor of
Reisa Blum becoming a Bat Mitzvah, by her grandparents, Sheilah & Simon Kalderon
Peter Brinich on the birth of his granddaughter, Maya Jeannette Thakore, by Pamela & Theron Russell
Rabbi Busch for officiating at the Auf Ruf of Rebecca Noel & Max Appelman, by her parents, Carol & David Noel
Lauren & Brett Caplan on the birth of their son Kashton Jacob Caplan, by his great-grandmother, Maxine Caplan
Laura & Jay Dover on their son, Isaac Dover, becoming a Bar Mitzvah, by Linda & Berryi Speert

The new home of Benjy Dubin, by Judith & Gerald Macks
The special birthday of Arlene Gerson, by Lynn Vendeland

The 65th wedding anniversary of Lois & Leonard Greenebaum, by Sarita & Bert Sachs
Marlene Trestman & Henry Kahn on the engagement of their son Eli Kahn to Jayme Wainer, by Paula & Martin Himeles, Jr.
The special birthday of Norma Kapplin, by Shirley & Irving Simon
Minna & Louis Katz on the birth of their great-granddaughter, Maya Jeannette Thakore, by Pamela & Theron Russell
Betty Meyers on the birth of her great-granddaughter Halel Dvash Masud, by Becky & Larry Gutin
Elizabeth & William Minkin & Phyllis and Harvey Meyerhoff on their son & great-grandson, Zachary Minkin, becoming a Bar Mitzvah, by the Jewish Federations of North America
The birthday of Lois Rosenfield, by Jeanette & John Parmigiani
Cantor Judith & Michael Rowland on the birth of their grandson, Milo Selah Asscher, by Nancy & Curt Civin • Becky & Larry Gutin • Louise & Richard Kemper
Robin & Brian Rubin on the marriage of their son Matthew Rubin to Sarah Slotnick, by his grandmother, Davida Oken

In memory of
Naomi Becker, by Betsy Ann Rosenthal
Leonard Bers, by Martha & Lee Beninghove • Debra & Howard Mirvis
Michael Biller, by Debra & Howard Mirvis
Nasia Bogdanovskaia, by Eva & Ilyd Bogdanovskey
Jan Brinch, by Pamela & Theron Russell
Evan David Carton, by Adrianne & Robert Weinblatt
Gertrude Chaitz, by Minna & Louis Katz
Phyllis Cohen, by Bonnie & Alan Block • Donna & Douglas Green • Deborah & Harvey Singer
In commemoration of the birthday anniversary of Florence Mayover Goldstein, by Sandra Raskin
Manuel Q. Goldstein, by Judith & Gerald Macks & Family
Elaine Shayt & Moses Shayt, by Martin Shayt

Acknowledgments
Appreciation is expressed for messages of good wishes and Books of Uniongrams received by Arnold Jablon on his special birthday

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- 9 AM Torah Talk
- 10 AM Shabbat Shelanu
- 5 PM Mincha/Havdalah Service with Bar Mitzvah

### Sunday, December 9
- 9 AM Youth Education
- 9 AM PEP
- 9:15 AM Adult Beginner Hebrew Class
- 10:30 AM Confirmation Class
- 11:15 AM Torah Trope
- Noon Youth Group
- 2 PM Azure Concert

### Monday, December 10
- 6 PM NextGen: Rosh Hodesh/Shevet Achim
- 7 PM BHC Nominating Committee Meeting

### Tuesday, December 11
- 6:30 PM Processed Food Anonymous
- 7 PM An Evening With--The Lights Who Guide Us
- 7 PM Adult Autism Resource Group
- 7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Al Anon
- 7:30 PM Grey Sheet Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Overeaters Anonymous

### Wednesday, December 12
- 7 PM SPARC Dinner

### Thursday, December 13
- 10 AM Triple Treat Thursdays

### Friday, December 14
- 6:15 PM Family Shabbat, Oneg Shabbat and Family Shabbat Dinner following, RSVP required for dinner

### Saturday, December 15
- 9 AM Torah Talk
- 10 AM Shabbat Shelanu
- 10:30 AM Shabbat Service with Bar Mitzvah
- 3 PM Family Shabbat Education
- 4 PM PJ Havdalah
- 5 PM Mincha/Havdalah Service with Bar Mitzvah

### Sunday, December 16
- 9 AM Youth Education
- • Gesher
- 9 AM New Member Breakfast
- 9 AM PEP
- 9:15 AM Adult Beginner Hebrew Class
- 9:30 AM Brotherhood Breakfast
- 10:30 AM Confirmation Class
- 11 AM Brotherhood Board Meeting
- 11:15 AM Torah Trope

### Tuesday, December 18
- 6 PM NextGen: “Taste Of” Art With A Heart
- 6:30 PM Processed Food Anonymous
- 7 PM Women of BHC Board Meeting
- 7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Al Anon
- 7:30 PM Grey Sheet Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Overeaters Anonymous

### Thursday, December 20
- 9:30 AM Sisterhood Federation Meeting
- 10 AM Triple Treat Thursdays

### Friday, December 21
- 6:15 PM Shabbat Service, Oneg Shabbat following

### Saturday, December 22
- 9 AM Torah Talk
- 10 AM Shabbat Shelanu

### Sunday, December 23 • Building Closed

### Monday, December 24 • Temple Office and E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center Closed

### Tuesday, December 25 • Temple Office and E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center Closed
- 9 AM Community Mitzvah Day

### Wednesday, December 26 • E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center Closed

### Thursday, December 27 • E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center Closed

### Friday, December 28 • E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center Closed
- 6:15 PM Shabbat Service, Oneg Shabbat following

### Saturday, December 29
- 9 AM Torah Talk
- 10 AM Shabbat Shelanu

### Sunday, December 30 • Building Closed

### Monday, December 31 • Temple Office and E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center Closed

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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**WINTER NIGHTS ON PARK HEIGHTS**

**Thursdays in January, 6:30 PM**

Current events discussions with our clergy and educators. See details on page 6.

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**URJ SHABBAT SERVICE**

**Friday, January 25, 6:15 PM**

Celebrate Shabbat as we join for services with Bolton Street Synagogue, Har Sinai Congregation, and Temple Oheb Shalom at Temple Oheb Shalom with a speaker from the URJ.
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1
Vayeishev, Genesis 37:1-40:23
9 AM • Torah Talk
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen
10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen and Cantor Sacks
5 PM • Mincha/Havdalah Service
Rabbi Busch and Cantor Ellerin
Bar Mitzvah of Corin Winikoff,
son of Esther & Stephen Winikoff

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7
6:15 PM • Chanukah Shabbat
Rabbi Busch, Rabbi Sachs-Kohen,
Cantor Ellerin, and Cantor Sacks
Kol Rinnah will sing
6:15 PM • PJ Shabbat
PJ Shabbat will begin with Chanukah Shabbat and then breakout into its own session

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8
Mikeitz, Genesis 41:1-44:17
9 AM • Torah Talk
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen
10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu
Rabbi Busch and Cantor Sacks

10:30 AM • Shabbat Service
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen and Cantor Ellerin
Bat Mitzvah of Rudy Shapiro,
daughter of Meira & James Shapiro

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14
6:15 PM • Family Shabbat
BHC rabbis, cantors, teens, and Cory Hermann

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15
Vayigash, Genesis 44:18-47:27
9 AM • Torah Talk
Rabbi Busch
10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen and Cantor Sacks
10:30 AM • Shabbat Service
Rabbi Busch and Cantor Ellerin
Bar Mitzvah of Carli Lederman,
daughter of Jody & Marc Lederman

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21
6:15 PM • Shabbat Service
Rabbi Busch and Cantor Ellerin

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22
Va-y’chi, Genesis 47:28-50:26
9 AM • Torah Talk
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen
10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen and Cantor Ellerin

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28
6:15 PM • Shabbat Service
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen and Cantor Sacks

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29
Sh’mot, Exodus 1:1-6:1
9 AM • Torah Talk
Rabbi Busch
10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu
Rabbi Busch and Cantor Sacks

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