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FROM THE CLERGY

DAYEINU: IT WOULD HAVE BEEN ENOUGH

No holiday is without its stress, but I’ve always thought that there is a lot to love about Passover. As a young child, I thought Passover was like a Jewish version of Thanksgiving. It was a time for great food, for being together with family, and as a bonus, it was a time for singing. I did not have an especially musical family but I have fond memories of singing the Four Questions and how together we tried to remember how the words and music fit together for Chad Gadya and Dayeinu. Like Thanksgiving, Passover is also a natural time for reflecting: Has it really been a whole year since last Passover? Where was I physically last year at this time? What was going on in our lives last year at this time?

As I begin preparing for Passover this year, I’m aware of yet another connection with Thanksgiving: the sense of gratitude, the thanks, if you will, at the heart of both holidays. Some years are easier or harder than others for us as individuals or for our families, but one of my favorite Jewish expressions comes from Passover: Dayeinu—it would have been enough. It’s not just the refrain to a catchy seder song; there’s a whole philosophy in being able to say Dayeinu and really mean it.

While searching through various Haggadot for meaningful readings recently, I came across an excerpt from a University of Oregon Haggadah. It poses the question, can we differentiate between “more” and “enough”? We always want more in life, more freedom, more attention, more love, more knowledge, more respect, more time, more money, more stuff. More and more and more, and by the way, we want it now. This reading really made me think about what Dayeinu can teach us about how we reflect on our own lives. Are we viewing our lives through a lens of gratitude or through a lens of “not enough” or “not good enough?” In so many ways, our lives are overflowing with “enough.” And, where we do experience “more,” those moments especially deserve our gratitude. That’s not to say that we won’t also find difficult areas in our lives—of course we will. We all experience times where we are truly caught in narrow places, but this Passover season, as we consider how many people in our larger community truly do not even have enough from day to day, I invite us to be increasingly thankful for all those parts of our lives where we do have “enough,” and even more grateful for where we have “more.”

– Cantor Ellerin

TRANSPORTATION TO BHC

Baltimore Hebrew Congregation wants to help you get to services and events. We have two different services that provide rides to members of BHC and BHC’s auxiliaries.

On behalf of BHC Cares, we offer assistance by arranging transportation to BHC services and events. **INFO**: Sid Bravmann, 410-952-6352.

The Irene Gogel Transportation Fund offers taxi transportation, at no charge, for congregants and auxiliary group members who have no alternative means of attending BHC services and activities. **INFO**: Temple Office, 410-764-1587.

YAHRZEIT REMINDER

To have a Yahrzeit name read, call the Temple Office or fill out a card when you come to a service. **INFO**: Iris Powell, ipowell@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1587, ext. 224.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

PASSOVER: INCLUDING NEW IDEAS WITH TRADITION

I hope our BHC community will share new ideas for engaging the Passover table while keeping favorite traditions alive. Passover is just around the corner and with that comes the tradition of the seder; at the same time we should be comfortable to add something new. Who knows, the new things we add today may be traditions of the future. For those of us who worry about the future of American Jewry, Passover brings some comfort. According to a 2014 Pew Research Center study, approximately 70% of Americans who identify as Jewish attend a Passover seder. That is way more than those who fast on Yom Kippur, light Shabbat candles, attend religious services, or keep kosher. This number remains significant, even for those Jews whom Pew labeled as “Jews of no religion.” According to Pew, fully 40% of those in that demographic who have only tenuous ties to faith and community participate in a seder. This level of participation makes the seder one of the few remaining connections to a Jewish tradition for many Jews.

If we find that the seder and the Passover holiday have become just another rote example of custom without meaning, it might be time to reexamine the holiday and make changes to our celebration. One example is the new, alternative seder where we try to remember that the seder is not just an extended history lesson: It is an immersive experience. The goal is for every participant to imagine he or she has been delivered from Egypt, to experience the journey from slavery to freedom. How might you do this? As a leader of our family service, I am going to try three new things:

1) Seders today address issues around the world, including poverty, disease, human rights, and religious violence. Passover reminds us that God desires freedom for every human being. My 2019 seder will involve all those around the seder table, asking them to add their own family’s story as they know it to the one being retold in the Haggadah. In doing so, they will come to see themselves as part of the historic continuum leading from Egypt to today.

2) I am also going to ask my family and friends ahead of time to bring something new for the seder plate or table. In recognition of women’s fight to vote and in recognition that their fight is not yet over, we are adding white asparagus to symbolize both the past and the current struggle for women’s rights.

3) Finally, before singing Dayeinu I will ask everyone to think what it means to have enough. What is enough, and what are some of the examples during the past year where enough was really too much?

All of these ideas require us to think outside the box in reimagining our modern seder to make it relevant and exciting for all attendees. Get your guests engaged. Try something new and different. Choose wisely so the seder isn’t too long or too rushed. Add your own creativity. If you do, you will have a night to remember. And tell me your ideas—write me, president@baltimorehebrew.org, and I will pass them along to the rest of the congregation (names withheld). In this way, we can all join together as a community and take advantage of new ways to engage our family and friends at this special time of year.

— Richard D. Gross
BHC President

ANNUAL MEETING

BHC’s Annual Meeting is on Friday, May 3; we hope that you will join us. The reception begins at 5 pm and the meeting starts at 5:30 pm, when we will thank outgoing Board members and be updated about BHC’s past year and plans for the future. The Shabbat Service at 6:15 pm will honor Rabbi Busch for his 10-year anniversary at BHC and for receiving his honorary doctorate at Hebrew Union College in New York for 25 years in the rabbinate. The service will be followed by an Oneg Shabbat. Come celebrate the fantastic year that was 2018-19.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CAROL J. CAPLAN SERVICE & COMMITMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS

Join us on Friday, May 3 as we honor Tracie Guy-Decker and Jordan Loran with the Carol J. Caplan Service and Commitment Award for Tracie’s work on the Social Justice Committee and Jordan’s involvement with Traffic Squad. The evening will begin at 5 pm with a reception, followed by the Annual Meeting and Shabbat Service with an Oneg Shabbat.

Tracie Guy-Decker, Deputy Director of The Jewish Museum in Baltimore, was a High Holy Day Jew growing up. Later, she and her husband, David, joined BHC, and they became regular Shabbat attendees. It was right after Freddie Grey’s death that Rabbi Sachs-Kohen led a conversation about race, class, and privilege that inspired her to act. “I felt religiously obligated to make a difference in the world,” she said.

After the service, Tracie met with Rabbi Sachs-Kohen to suggest a BHC Book Club focusing on race and privilege. Rabbi Busch also thought it was a great idea and suggested that Tracie run it. She wasn’t comfortable doing it at first, but she said yes. “This was a small thing I could do,” said Tracie.

The first book Tracie and Rabbi Sachs-Kohen chose was “Waking Up White” by Debby Irving, and 25 people attended that first session. After the session, Tracie started to read everything she could about race and privilege. As time went on, she incrementally started getting involved with other activist and education groups, such as Jews United for Justice and the Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies.

With so much interest, Rabbi Sachs-Kohen resurrected a Social Justice Committee at BHC, and Tracie eventually became its chairperson. The committee broke into three working groups: an anti-structural racism group, an immigration group, and a legislative response group. The groups have been responsible for events such as the movie screenings honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, letter-writing events during the last session of the General Assembly, and a training session for attorneys to learn how to take on immigration cases pro bono.

Today, there are 260 people on the Social Justice mailing list. In the four years since the Freddie Grey case, Tracie has remained dedicated to social justice and to BHC for supporting the committee’s effort. “The commitment of clergy has been really essential to me for my Jewish life, and I’m doing it in a congregation where my grandmother’s grandmother belonged.”

Jordan Loran will be featured in our May Bulletin.
UPCOMING AT BHC

THURSDAY STUDY GROUP
Thursdays, April 4, 11, & 18, 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: page 10 or Sandy Raskin, 410-486-6514 or shraskin@verizon.net.

PJ SHABBAT
Friday, April 5, 6:30 PM
Bring your toddlers and young children for BHC’s pajama-clad service the first Friday of every month. Sing, bring tzedakah, hear a story, and have fun.

KOL ECHAD: INCLUSIVE SHABBAT
Saturday, April 6, 11 AM
See page 5 for details.

YOUTH GROUP
Saturday, April 6, 5 PM
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

YOUTH EDUCATION
Sundays, April 7, 14 & 28, 9 AM
Youth Education enables 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.

ADULT BEGINNER HEBREW CLASS
Sundays, April 7, 14 & 28, 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.

TORAH TROPE
Sundays, April 7, 14 & 28, 11:15 AM
Join BHC's cadre of Torah chanters 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.

NEXTGEN: TEEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Sunday, April 7, Noon
The Teen Advisory Committee meets once a month to engage with their peers, brainstorm new programs and ideas, and participate in leadership-building activities.

BROTHERHOOD SEDER
Sunday, April 7, 1 PM
See page 10 for details.

RISCH PROGRAM ON IMMIGRATION
Sunday, April 7, 3 PM
See the Program Highlights column on page 5 for details.

CLERGY VISIT TO THE ATRIUM
Monday, April 8, 1:30 PM
See page 5 for details.

NEXTGEN: ROSH HODESH/SHEVET
Monday, April 8, 6 PM
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

AN EVENING WITH THE LIGHTS WHO GUIDE US
Tuesday, April 9, 7 PM
See page 10 for details.

CLERGY VISIT TO EDENWALD
Thursday, April 11, 2 PM
See page 5 for details.

NEXTGEN: TEEN TRAVEL TRIP TO PHILADELPHIA
Thursday, April 11 through Sunday, April 14
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

FAMILY SHABBAT AND DINNER
Friday, April 12, 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, April 13, 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.

PEP: PURSUING EDUCATIONAL POSSIBILITIES
Sundays, April 14 & 28, 9 AM
PEP: Pursuing Educational Possibilities is an ongoing learning opportunity enjoyed by BHC congregants. This semester, Dr. Susanna Garfein, teaches at 9:30 AM and Dr. Neil Rubin teaches at 10:45 AM. Every class begins with bagels and sweets. INFO: Ruth Spivak, 410-666-1891 or spivakcpa@verizon.net.

CLERGY VISIT TO ROLAND PARK PLACE
Thursday, April 18, 11 AM
See page 5 for details.

CLERGY VISIT TO NORTH OAKS
Thursday, April 18, 3 PM
See page 5 for details.

SECOND NIGHT SEDER
Thursday, April 18, 11 AM
See page 5 for details.

YIZKOR SERVICE
Friday, April 26, 10 AM
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Friday, April 26, 10 AM
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B’NAI MITZVAH RETREAT
Saturday, April 27, 1 PM
See page 6 for details.

CHAI LIFE POST PASSOVER PARTY
Sunday, April 28, 1 PM
See the Chai Life column on page 9 for details.

WOMEN OF BHC SHRED EVENT
Sunday, April 28, 1:30 PM
See page 10 for details.

NEXTGEN: COOKING CLUB
Monday, April 29, 6 PM
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

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KOL ECHAD: INCLUSIVE SHABBAT

On Saturday, April 6, 11 AM Beth Am Synagogue will host the series “Kol Echad: Inclusive Shabbat” for school-aged children with special needs and their families. The 45-minute session will include music and movement breaks and is open to students of all abilities and their families. Sensory products like crash pads, weighted blankets, and light covers are available. INFO & RSVP: Rachel Turniansky, rturniansky@cjebaltimore.org or 410-735-5022.

CLERGY VISITS

BHC Cares has arranged for clergy visits to our congregants in senior and assisted living facilities. On Monday April 8, 1:30 PM Cantor Sacks and volunteer Marcy Hyatt will visit the Atrium; on Thursday, April 11, 2 PM Cantor Ellerin will visit Edenwald; on Thursday, April 18, 11 AM, Rabbi Busch will visit Roland Park Place and Rabbi Sachs-Kohen and Executive Director Jo Ann Windman will visit our congregants at North Oaks Thursday, April 18, 3 PM.

We are looking forward to seeing our congregants and welcoming them in Passover with them. INFO: Carol J. Caplan, BHC Cares Chair, caroljcacomcast.net or 410-764-1587 ext. 270.

HOLOCAUST STUDY DAY

In partnership with the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, the Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies (ICJS) present Holocaust Study Day on Tuesday, April 9, 9:30 AM-Noon & 7-9 PM at St. Mary’s Seminary and University, 5400 Roland Avenue, Baltimore, 21210.

9:30 AM-Noon: “From Baltimore to Berlin: An Interfaith Encounter in Nazi Germany.” As a staff member of the National Conference of Christians and Jews (NCCJ) during the 1930s, BHC’s Rabbi Morris B. Lazaron became nationally known for his interfaith work with Catholic and Protestant leaders. In 1935 he went to Berlin, hoping to replicate the NCCJ’s successful interfaith model. His expectations were shattered by the realities of National Socialism. He returned after several months and lectured widely about his experiences. As persecution of the Jews intensified in Nazi Germany, the tensions between the Christian and Jewish communities in the U.S. deepened over differing perceptions of what was at stake. By 1945, Rabbi Lazaron’s focus had turned to the challenges of American anti-black racism and social justice issues in Baltimore. Join us as we reflect on Rabbi Lazaron’s journey from Baltimore to Berlin and the complexities of interfaith engagement.

7-9 PM: “The Holocaust Through Muslim Eyes.” Anti-semitism and Islamophobia have placed Dr. Mehnaz Afridi at challenging crossroads. Afridi, a Muslim and the Director of the Holocaust, Genocide, and Interfaith Education Center at Manhattan College (a Lasallian Catholic University), is an advocate for Holocaust education for all faiths. But remembrance and Holocaust studies are often personal and controversial, and she isn’t always welcomed by either her Muslim or Jewish colleagues. Join us for a brief lecture and audience Q&A as Afridi reflects on her life as a Muslim and a scholar of Holocaust Studies and Islam. The lecture will be followed by book signing of Afridi’s book, “Shoah Through Muslim Eyes.”

All are welcome to join us for the morning session with lunch to follow, and/or the evening lecture. The events are free, but registration is required. RSVP: icjs.org/April9 The Holocaust Study Day honors Peggy and Charlie Obrecht, ICJS founders and USHMM supporters.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

RISCH PROGRAM ON IMMIGRATION

Join the Baltimore Jewish Council and BHC for a special documentary film screening and panel discussion focusing on the economic contributions of immigrants on Sunday, April 7, 3-4:30 PM at BHC. “The Starfish” tells the story of a German-Jewish boy who escaped Nazi Germany and eventually came to the United States, where he was able to grow a business that employs hundreds. Coming off of the film’s screening at the Maryland International Film Festival, filmmaker Tyler Gildin will be on hand to provide more insight into the film’s story. Panelists include: Stephanie Hsu, Baltimore Development Corporation and Chinatown Collective; Father Joe Muth, St. Matthew Church; Anwar Khan, Islamic Relief USA. Mark Hetfield, President and CEO of HIAS will be the moderator.

Nicki Stratford
Coordinator of Engagement and Programming

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COLLECTING FOR IMMIGRATION OUTREACH SERVICE CENTER

Donating a gift card to the BHC coat collection for the Immigration Outreach Service Center (IOSC) might not have seemed like a big deal to you, but it was a big deal for the person who got it. According to the folks at IOSC, someone stopped by their office recently, hungry and out of money. Out of ideas as well, he planned to shoplift some food but had stopped by the IOSC to see if there were any other last-ditch options. Thanks to all who donated, IOSC was able to give him 2 gift cards, which allowed him to buy some food. Donating may have been a little thing for many of us, but the impact was anything but. Thanks again to all who contributed and will contribute in the future.

We will again be collecting for IOSC in the weeks leading up to Passover. Please bring donations you can to the BHC collection bins from Friday, April 5 through Tuesday, April 30. This time we are collecting household cleaning supplies and personal care items, timed for the Passover holiday. Household cleaning supplies we need include brooms, mops, dust pans, cleaning supplies, sponges, paper towels, etc. Personal care items include soap, deodorant, tooth brushes, tooth paste, lotion, and feminine hygiene products. We will also take gift cards from major retailers.

RABBI BUSCH’S SABBATICAL

Rabbi Busch’s Sabbatical comes to an end on Saturday, April 6, with Shabbat Morning Torah Talk and a Bar Mitzvah Service. However, he remains on leave until that Shabbat. He is appreciative of the opportunity and knows that BHC is in good hands during his absence. Please contact the Temple Office or Rabbi Sachs-Kohen if you have questions or need support at this time.
**PASSEOVER SERVICE AND YIZKOR**

BHC holds Passover services on the first and the last days of the festival, in addition to our Second Night Congregational Seder. Our service on **Friday, April 19, 5 PM** will be brief to accommodate those who are attending seders. Reform Judaism observes 7 days of Passover based on both the Torah and the Israeli custom. Thus, our service on the last day will be **Friday, April 26, 10 AM**. It will include Yizkor, memorial prayers. It is a wonderful way to finish the festival amidst your BHC community.

**SECOND NIGHT SEDER**

On **Saturday, April 20, 5 PM**, all are welcome to share in the celebration of Passover. Join us at BHC’s Second Night Seder with Rabbi Busch to celebrate Passover. We will enjoy a buffet dinner as we share in our community’s seder. Participation from all ages is welcome throughout: read from the Haggadah, open the door for Elijah, and watch children hunt for afikomen. The cost for BHC members and their families is $36 for adults and $18 for children 12 and under. For non-members it is $80 for adults and $60 for children 12 and under. **INFO**: Francie Gill, 410-764-1587, ext. 226. **RSVP by Wednesday, April 10**: baltimorehebrew.org/passover or pick up a flyer in BHC’s lobby.

**CELEBRATE ISRAEL WITH MUSIC**

Join Cantor Ellerin at Beth Israel Congregation for a musical evening celebrating Israel in song on **Sunday, April 28, 7 PM**. The concert will also feature Cantors Jen Rolnick of Beth Israel Congregation, Melanie Blatt of Congregation Beth El, Robert Gerber of Har Sinai Congregation, and cantorial student Jake Greenberg, with guest performance by Chizuk Amuno’s congregational choir.

Sponsorship opportunities are available and include a pre-concert wine and cheese reception. Light dessert reception to follow the concert. **TICKETS**: $25 if you pre-order or $36 at the door. **REGISTER before Friday, April 12**: https://tinyurl.com/BICantorsConcert2019.

**B’NAI MITZVAH RETREAT**

Every year we bring together B’nai Mitzvah families so that they can explore the B’nai Mitzvah process. The students are challenged to conquer their fears by exploring Jewish values in a Jewish karate exhibition. Families also participate in a Torah Olympics to get the mechanics down of all the movements that happen during the B’nai Mitzvah service. Plenty of time is spent with the families building community and learning from one another. There is special time for parents to connect and for community relationships to be formed. At the end of the day students spend time creating their own yad which they then use on the day of their B’nai Mitzvah. It is a wonderful program that brings together B’nai Mitzvah. This year our B’nai Mitzvah Retreat is on **Saturday, April 27, 1 PM** This program is generously funded by the Leah and Morton Kemper Family Education Enrichment Program. **INFO**: Brad Cohen, Director of Education, bcohen@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1587, ext. 290.

**COMMUNITY-WIDE YOM HASHOOAH**

The Baltimore Jewish Council’s annual community-wide Yom HaShoah Commemoration will be at BHC on **Sunday, May 5**. There will be a reception for Holocaust survivors and their families at 3 PM, followed by the Yom HaShoah program at 4:30 PM. This year’s theme is “The War Refugee Board: America’s Efforts to Save the Jews of Europe,” based on the US Holocaust Memorial Museum’s New Exhibit, “Americans and the Holocaust.” The keynote speaker will be Gretchen Skidmore, USHMM, Director, Education Initiatives.

**IMMIGRATION TASK FORCE: BOOK DISCUSSION**

Join us on **Monday, May 6, 7 PM** for a discussion on the book “Exit West” by Mohsin Hamid.

In a country teetering on the brink of civil war, two young people meet—sensual, fiercely independent Nadia and gentle, restrained Saeed. They embark on a furtive love affair and are soon cloistered in a premature intimacy by the unrest roiling their city. When it explodes, turning familiar streets into a patchwork of checkpoints and bomb blasts, they begin to hear whispers about doors—doors that can whisk people far away, if perilously and for a price. As the violence escalates, Nadia and Saeed decide that they no longer have a choice. Leaving their homeland and their old lives behind, they find a door and step through.

“Exit West” follows these characters as they emerge into an alien and uncertain future, struggling to hold on to each other, to their past, to the very sense of who they are. Profoundly intimate and powerfully inventive, it tells an unforgettable story of love, loyalty, and courage that is both completely of our time and for all time.

**INFO & RSVP**: Nicki Stratford, if you need help securing a copy of the book, nstratford@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1587 ext. 246.

**VOLUNTEER: BLOOD DRIVE**

Put **Monday, June 10, 2-7 PM** on your calendar, and join us for our annual Blood Drive at BHC. We are looking for volunteers to help run the Blood Drive. It’s a mitzvah to give and to ensure that the Red Cross always has the safest possible blood supply to meet ongoing hospital and patient needs. We look forward to seeing you there. **INFO & VOLUNTEER**: Betty Fink & Phyllis Zimmerman, Co-Chairs, 410-484-1797.

**GREATER BALTIMORE COMMUNITY STUDY**

As we have in the past, BHC will participate in the 2020 Greater Baltimore Community Study by supplying demographic information. The information will be confidential, and no one will have access to it beyond the researchers from Brandeis University.

**COLLEGE ADDRESSES NEEDED**

BHC is sending Passover greetings to our college students. Please send addresses to Nicki Stratford, Coordinator of Engagement and Programming, nstratford@baltimorehebrew.org.
MAH TOVU: FINDING THE GOOD
Derekh, a pathway into adult Jewish learning, is holding a weekend retreat of Jewish learning, community building, and spiritual growth titled “Mah Tovu: Finding The Good.” The Derekh Retreat will be held Wednesday-Sunday, July 17-21 at the Mt. Washington Conference Center in Baltimore. Study with Cantor Rosalie Bost (URJ), Rabbi Joan Glazer Farber, Rabbi Elissa Sachs-Kohen (BHC), Rabbi Amy Scheinerman, Rabbi Joseph Skloot (HUC-JIR), and Rabbi Jacob Staub (RRC). Derekh is a retreat for adults wanting to broaden their Jewish experience through study, prayer, spiritual renewal and growth with leading Jewish scholars. Participants will study with master teachers of Judaica, reflect and rejuvenate, pray, sing and dance, reconnect with friends and make new ones, encounter nature, and celebrate Shabbat. INFO & RSVP: derekh.net

JOIN THE CHOIR
Ever wonder what it would feel like to be singing on an open-air stage in front of thousands of people, your face beamed across the field on two giant video screens? BHC is offering you a chance to do just that. Students entering 6th-12th grades in the fall and adults are invited to join in BHC’s Rosh Hashanah Under the Stars Choir at Oregon Ridge, Sunday, September 29, 6 pm. A few rehearsals will be in the spring, with the remainder to be held in the weeks before Rosh Hashanah Under The Stars. You do not need to be able to read music. JOIN TODAY & INFO: Temple Office, 410-764-1587 or Cantor Ellerin, bellerin@baltimorehebrew.org.

GREEN BURIALS
In order to remain committed to environmentally conscious stewardship in all of our activities and uphold the time-honored values of our tradition, BHC has initiated a new Green Burial program at our Berrymans Lane Cemetery in Reisterstown and our Belair Road Cemetery in Baltimore City. A “Green,” or “natural” burial allows a body to return as naturally as possible to the earth. The key elements of Green Burial are not embalming the body, using an unfinished pine casket, and burial in a “Green” plot, without an outer burial container. In BHC’s cemeteries, individual Green markers (no double or family markers) will be placed at the head of each grave. Green markers consist of a natural, unsculpted stone that allows engraving of the name and dates. The National Green Burial Council (BHC) has set standards for different levels of Green Burials in the United States and is certifying providers. At this time, BHC’s Cemetery offers a level of Green Burial that is not certified. INFO & PURCHASE: Jo Ann Windman, Executive Director, jwindman@baltimorehebrew.org, 410-764-1587 ext. 223.

HELP US GROW!
Great news for membership dues! BHC is the only Reform synagogue in Baltimore to offer voluntary dues for eligible first-time members of any age and for congregants under the age of 30. We are a vibrant, diverse, and active congregation and would love to discuss congregational life with you.

BHC welcomes new congregants, new Youth Education students, and new students to our E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center. Encourage your friends to explore BHC and our education programs, and please explore us yourself. INFO: baltimorehebrew.org/dues. To discuss options and opportunities, contact Jo Ann Windman, Executive Director, jwindman@baltimorehebrew.org, 410-764-1587, ext. 223.

NIGHT OF THE STARS
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WELCOMES SUSIE ESSMAN
She’s blown us away as the strong-willed Susie Greene in HBO’s long running series “Curb Your Enthusiasm,” and she made us laugh on Comedy Central’s “Broad City” as Bobbi Wexler who lives on Long Island and loves high quality knock-off handbags.

Susie Essman has had an impressive career making audiences laugh in addition to serious roles. She began her career as a working comic, catching the eye of Larry David who cast her in her now iconic role of the strong-willed Susie Greene in HBO’s long-running series “Curb Your Enthusiasm.” Since becoming a household name on “Curb,” Susie has branched out into numerous other TV projects including guest hosting ABC’s “The View,” taping stand-up specials for HBO, landing starring turns on CBS’s “Blue Bloods,” CBS Hallmark Hall of Fame Movie “ieving Leah,” and she recently appeared on season 3 of “Broad City” for Comedy Central and TRUTV’s “Those Who Can’t.” She currently tours the US and Europe with her stand-up comedy act.

BHC’s 9th annual Night of the Stars honors long-time BHC congregants and community leaders Peggy K. and Fred Wolf III and benefits BHC’s Youth Community including the E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center and Youth Education programs. Purchase Premium Seating Tickets and enjoy cocktails and supper prior to the show, 6-7:30 pm. The doors to the theater open at 7:30 pm. The show starts at 8 pm.

Annette Saxon
Director of Development
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CAMP BHC

Two camps and one great week! August 19-23. Pre-K through 5th grade will be in our main camp and participate in activities including arts and crafts, sports, science, scavenger hunts and more. Our middle school volunteer/travel camp for 6th-8th graders will explore Baltimore, volunteer during the day and include fun activities in the afternoon. INFO: Brad Cohen, Director of Education, bcohen@baltimorehebrew.org

THANK YOU FROM LAUREN OFFERMAN LUGER

As many of you now know, this will be my last year working at BHC. I have been accepted to Brandeis University’s Hornstein Master’s Program to pursue a dual degree in Jewish Professional Leadership and an MBA in Non-Profit Management. I am incredibly grateful for the opportunities I have had at BHC and even more so for the people I have had the pleasure of working with these past three years. I look forward to finishing this programmatic year off strong. Let’s see what April will bring for our youth this month.

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. 249 or loffermann@baltimorehebrew.org

1ST-7TH GRADE YOUTH GROUP

On Saturday, April 6, 5-8 pm, 1st-7th graders are welcome to join us for a scavenger hunt and cupcake wars. We will all enjoy a pizza dinner and Havdalah together and break into age appropriate groups for the activities. INFO, RSVP OR VOLUNTEER: Lauren Offermann Luger, contact information 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 April brings for teen engagement:

Rosh Hodesh/Shevet: Monday, April 8, 6-8 pm. Rosh Hodesh, led by Lauren Offermann Luger, Assistant Director of Education, as she will be leaving us at the end of the programmatic year to attend Brandeis for a Masters in Jewish Professional Leadership and an MBA in Non-Profit Management.

Social Action Teen Travel Trip: Thursday, April 11 through Sunday, April 14. Teens will travel to Philadelphia to explore, volunteer, enjoy Shabbat, and experience the city together.

NFTY Spring Kallah: Thursday, April 25 through Sunday, April 28. This weekend will be held at URJ Camp Harlam in Kunkletown, PA. Activities include: voting, laughing, social action, praying, and speaking up. Come to Spring Kallah and say what YOU need to say. REGISTER: midatlantic.nfty.org/event.

Cooking Club: Monday, April 29, 6-8 pm. We all enjoy cooking, and this club will take teens on a tour of the past as they make classic Jewish dishes with a back-story. Dinner is included.
What do you do if you have young children at your Passover table? In my family we read the book “Let My People Go,” written by Tilda Balsley and illustrated by Ilene Richard. When asked to let my people go, my father, a former Marine Sergeant, playing Pharaoh, roars in his deep commanding voice “no, No, NO!” Our children squeal with delight. This book is read as a play with each person at the table getting a part as we remember being slaves in Egypt. We add the blessings of matzah and grape juice, we sing why this night was different than any other night and we throw our homemade plagues at each other in delight. Once we even left the table to travel through the desert, crossing over boulders (pillows) and crossing the Red Sea (blue blanket) to escape the Egyptian soldiers following us.

PJ Library explains that “children are often very concrete in their thinking about and understanding life. Having representative objects to associate with stories helps children not only to comprehend but also to remember.”

Use the imagination of your family members to enliven your seder. The rules are: there are no rules. We will be happy to brainstorm with you too. Contact me at jeisen@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-7281.

E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center 2019-20 enrollment is open for summer experience and the fall academic year. Placement is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Jill Eisen
Director, E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center

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**HOFFBERGER GALLERY**

**PAINTINGS IN FIBER: TIME AND PLACE**

Work by Susan Levi-Goerlich

Exhibit: Through April 28

**ARTIST'S STATEMENT:** My fiber artwork celebrates color, texture and the myriad possibilities that fiber offers to “paint” an image using fresh and unusual techniques. I have two bodies of work: stitched paintings and paintings in fiber.

My stitched paintings meld an ongoing passion for gardening with painted silks and free-motion machine embroidery. As the first step in a multi-step process, I paint different weaves of pure silk. Then, using my forty-year-old (non-computerized!) sewing machine as a drawing tool, I blend and mix colors by layering threads. I create painterly effects through thousands of stitches and achieve rich textures by fluidly and continually shifting the fabric under the rapidly moving needle. The imagery is inspired by landscapes and gardens encountered during my travels, and by favorite photographs.

My paintings in fiber are a combination of dyed and hand-painted silks, layering and needle-felting. I incorporate different weaves of pure silk to “paint” the image; each shade of color is a different piece of fabric. I assemble the work without adhesives or stitching; I use barbed needles, traveling over and through the multiple layers in order to tangle the fibers, fuse the fabrics and blend the colors. I may add details with free-motion embroidery and/or with bobbin embroidery.

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I use both bodies of work to explore the effects of layering fabrics, threads and yarns in order to create depth, rich color and texture. I have long been fascinated with layering as a method to enrich both surface and meaning. Movement and flow of color play an important role in my work, as do shadows and reflections.
THE WOMEN OF BHC (WBHC)

OUR JUDAICA SHOP
Stop by our Judaica Shop, filled with everything you need for gifts, holidays, and your home. Gear up for Passover; we have Seder plates, matzo holders, Elijah and Miriam cups, Haggadot and many other offerings. Besides Sundays and Thursdays, the Judaica Shop is open by appointment. Call Paula Cohen, 410-922-8092, or Ann Fishkin, 410-484-9604, to make arrangements.

GET INVOLVED TODAY
Join Women of BHC
Women of BHC: Committed to each other, to our faith, to our community, and to our future. Learn the benefits of joining Women of BHC and see what we have to offer—there is an opportunity for everyone.
INFO: baltimorehebrew.org/sisterhood/get-involved
Make A Difference
From making casseroles to collecting school supplies, Women of BHC members are actively involved in Social Action. INFO: baltimorehebrew.org/sisterhood/about

BROTHERHOOD NEWS

A SEDER PRESENTED BY BROTHERHOOD
Celebrate Passover at BHC with “A Seder Presented by Brotherhood” on Sunday, April 7, 1 PM. This will be a traditional seder, including wine, bitter herbs and dessert—guaranteed to not be bitter. Come early to help hide the afikomen. Cantor Ellerin will lead us in song and prayer. Eat, drink, pray, ask questions (at least 4), and sing along. The cost is $25 per person. All are welcome. RSVP: pay online at baltimorehebrew.org/bhseder or send a check with the completed form located on BHC’s flyer table. INFO: Sid Bravmann, 410-952-6352.

BROTHERHOOD BREAKFASTS
Join us for our May Breakfast (lox, bagels, and cream cheese; scrambled eggs; danish; juice and fresh-brewed coffee) on Sunday, May 5, 9:30 AM. Our speaker will be Congressman Elijah E. Cummings, our representative in Congress for Maryland’s Seventh Congressional District. Congressman Cummings will address the group and take questions. Mr. Cummings is a dynamic, passionate, and provocative speaker. He has served Maryland’s 7th congressional district in the House of Representatives in Washington, DC for over a quarter of a century. Representative Cummings is a Baltimore native, graduate of the University of Maryland School of Law, served 14 years in the Maryland House of Delegates, and is in his 13th term in the U.S. House of Representatives, where he chairs the influential Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. His talk is sure to be interesting and timely. As always, Brotherhood breakfasts are free for members, with others welcome to attend for $10. RSVP: baltimorehebrew.org/breakfast INFO: Sid Bravmann, 410-952-6352.

THURSDAY STUDY GROUP
On most Thursday mornings from 10 AM-NOON, WBHC sponsors the Thursday Morning Study Group, a morning of learning, open to everyone. Our theme this year is “Everyone Has a Story.” This has afforded an unusual opportunity to learn what it means to be a member of the administrative staff, a lay leader, and a volunteer professional, as well as a rabbi emeritus and cantor. We have heard about what brought them to BHC in the capacity in which they now serve and what it took to make that happen. Telling their stories this month: April 4—Brad Cohen, Director of Education; April 11 & 18—Stuart M. Cohen. INFO: Sandy Raskin, 410-486-6514, or shraskin@verizon.net.

EVENING WITH THE LIGHTS WHO GUIDE US
As part of the “Evenings with the Lights Who Guide Us” series we will gather in the Goodwin Center for Game Night on Tuesday, April 9, 7 PM. The event will feature any games that participants bring along, from Scrabble® and RummiKub® to Mah Jongg or bridge. (Clue®, anyone? Monopoly®?) All are welcome, so bring a friend and enjoy refreshments, pleasant interactions, and a night of good ol’ fun. RSVP: Karan Engerman, karansander@comcast.net, 443-570-6435, or 443-352-3928, and let her know what game you are bringing.

SPRING SHRED EVENT
Get your paper ready for the big white truck. Our Spring Shred Event will happen on Sunday, April 28, 1:30-3:30 PM. An important fundraiser for WBHC, this event also offers a service to the community. Please note: paper is the only thing we shred—no cardboard, plastic, metal, or anything other than paper. We are particularly grateful to Chesapeake Shredding and the Majewski family; they are the only company that shreds on Sundays. The event will be in the E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center parking lot. Proceeds benefit the many worthwhile projects of Women of BHC. INFO: Suzanne Strutt, 410-236-6177 or sestrutt@verizon.net.

CLOSING DINNER
Our Closing Dinner is Sunday, June 2, 6-9 PM. Our featured attraction is the wonderful young soprano Sarah Baumgarten. Ms. Baumgarten will be performing Jewish songs and songs by Jewish composers, accompanied by Maestro Joseph Krupa on the piano. Ms. Baumgarten is currently a concert artist. She earned her Master of Music degree in Voice Performance and Pedagogy from the Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University in May, 2015. In addition to recitals and performances across the mid-Atlantic region, she recently presented a lecture recital at the Jewish Museum of Maryland on Jewish composers and their impact on Broadway. Cost is $20 for non-members and is free to Brotherhood members. INFO & RSVP: Sid Bravmann at 410-952-6352. Online registration will be opening in the near future.

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Learn the benefits of joining Brotherhood: baltimorehebrew.org/brotherhood/about
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IN MEMORIAM

We record with sorrow the passing of

Theodore Bayless
Betty W. Cohen
Hillel Cweiber
Leon Fine
Michael Gordon
Sandra Gutman
Vladimir Kalmanovich
Arthur Kalisch, Jr.
Dorothy Katzenstein
Andrew Klein
Alvin Pomerantz
Frank Robinson
Wilfred Romanoff
Sara Rosenfeld
Eugene H. Schreiber
Mae Hazl Scott
Esther Steinberg
Linda Swogell
Paul Talalay
David Tarlow
Sheldon Wollman
Harvey Zeiger

May their memories be a blessing.

PERPETUAL MEMORIALS

April 5-6
Jacob Abraham
Cecilia Juster Beck
Robert Benjamin
Jacob Bernstein
Naomi H. Beser
Harold Brooks
Betty R. Carp
Maura Engel
Chinich
Jerome B. Cohen
Max Cohen
Frank S. Cole
Morris Damsky
Anne R. Dobre
Sylvan Dogoloff
Lilly S. DuBois
Carrie Feldenheimer
Sidney Feldman
Veronica Ford
Meyer W. Frank
Ida Goldberg
Aaron H. Goldman
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Esther N.
Gundersheimer
Frederica Gutman
Hermine
Hamburger
Ronald H. Hill
Charles Bertram
Hoffberger
Hyman Horn
Anna Levy Hyman

Minnie Lampe
Iseoff
Benjamin Jacobson
Louis Jandorf, Sr.
Lyons B. Joel
Isadore Larry
Krieger
Isaac Lazarus
Alfred Lehmann
Pearl Lessner
Mary H. Lewyt
Edward M. Likes
Sophie Lindenbaum
Sara Rebecca
Mandell
Amy J. Mayer
Lyn P. Meyerhoff
Bessie G. Meyers
Sidney B. Needle
Michael (Mick)
Nelson
Blanche H. Neuman
Joseph
Ottenheimer
Eva R. Rimson
Ruth Blaustein
Rosenberg
Abram Rosenthal
Helena Rosenthal
Anne-Marie Rudo
Blanche S. Rymland
Etie Salabes
Anna Morganstein
Salganik
Bernice Schloss

Nathaniel Schwartz
Elliott M. Sherman
Minnie Silver
Sylvon H. Spear
William I. Steinberg
Harry M. Stern
Ida Stolff
Blanche F. Uhlfelder
Howard H. Weil
Ignatz Weisberg
Louis Wilner
Cecie Witow

April 12-13
Lillian Rosenberg
Ansell
Milton Baer
Amy K. Behrend
Abram Benesch
Fred Benjamin
Samuel Berman
Ben Binder
Sarah Marcus
Blumberg
General Omar N. Bradley
Carrie F. Brafman
Natalie Brodsky
Melville B. Brown
Albert M. Caplan
Fannie Cohen
Irvin H. Cohen
Simon Dalsheimer
Henry Daniels
Dr. Henry Dillon
Dorman
Shelley Richard
Earle
Sydney Eichengreen
Ida Fensterwald
Bertha M. Fine
Samuel Fivel
Frederick W. Frank
Simon Frank
Joseph Friedman
Lillie Gann
Samuel Gelber
Fannie P. Gellman
Ben Goldberg
Blanche T. Goldstein
Isaac Goldstein
Bessie Goldwater
Samuel Greenwald
Simon M. Hanline
L. Manuel Hendler
Jerold C.
Nelson

April 19-20
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Eve Sobelman
Ames*

Maurice

Annenberg*
David H. Baruch
Maurice E. Belaga
Josef Oliver
Berlowitz
Robert Denis
Binder*
Fred Blankman
Louis Bomstein*
Anne R. Brager
Haidee Brainen
Lillian N. Bransky*
Nathan Brenner
Julius Cohen
Harry Cooper
Edna Dalsemer
Raymond Dinkin*
Samuel
Eichengreen
May Feit

Sylvan O. Feit
Samuel Fishman*
Joseph B.
Fleischman*
Eleanore Gann*
Rabbi Samuel
Glasner
Jack Gold*
Samuel A. Gorn
Steven Simon
Gresser
Phyllis N. Jacobson
Baruch Katz*
Abraham Kaufman
Aaron Koenigsburg*
Aaron M. Kramer*
Jennie Kushnick
Nevah M. Lazarus*
Lillian H. Leventon
Mary Bank Levine
Harry Hyman Levy
Morris Albert Levy*
Ruth K. Lewis
Alvin Davidson
London*
Jennie L. London
Milton Lowenstein
Anne Chalk
Lukosavich
Nathan Macks
Jenny Malachin
Nathan Goldsmith
Mannes
Bessie Marks
Matilda May
Eleanor P.
Medwedeff
Lewis D. Mervis
Judith K. Miller
Edward Jeffrey
Morganstein
Daniel J. Moses*
Lena H. Naïditch
Rae Schloss
Nordlinger
Reuben B. Parran
Louis Persh*
Sarah Pumpian
Freida Levine
Richard
Eva Rochlin
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Schoeneman
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Isabel Rosenstock
Ida Rubenstein
Anthony Robert
Savantuk
Daniel F. Savanuk
Paul David Savanuk
Louis Stanford
Schloss*
Rose Seltzer*

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Benjamin Siegel
Dr. George Silverton
Estelle G.
Sinsheimer
Dorothy Schwartz
Joan Upton
Ralph Weinberg
Israel Windman
Henry Zeller*

*First Day of Passover

April 26-27
Joseph Abrahams*
Louis Aronin*
Edward A. Behrend
Bernice S. Berlin
Max L. Berman
Nicholas Beser
Morris Blitzer*
Dr. Simon J. Brager
Joseph Carton
David H. Cohen
Jeanne L. Dobres
Minnie Lottie
Dogoloff*
Sigmund
Eisenberg*
Dorothy Epstein*
Albert Feldman
Cecille S. Fine
Aaron Staus Fish
Harry E. Fleishman*
Rose Flocks
Cupple Frank
Charlotte Freeman
Joseph
Friedemann*
Alan A. Frobsburg
Dr. Mark E. Gann
Max Gibson*
Sue Mechanick
Glickman
Sarah Goldberg
Leon Greenberg
Pauline Singer
Greenhood
Jean Guttman*
Julia Harris
Emanuel Hecht
Martin S. Himeles, Sr.
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Philip Horowitz
Bernard Melvin
Horowitz*
Fannie Jacobs
Isadore Jacobs
Maurice Jacobs*
Estelle Schweiger
Jacoby
Louis Jandorf, Jr.*
Jack A. JaRo
Jay Stanley Joseph
Leon Kahn*
Harriet P. Kalisch
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Special Birthdays
Cheryl Weinstein, Sharon Zerden, Jennifer Kogan-Gaffar, Stanley Zerden, Anita Birnbaum, Martha Weinman, Ellen Lindenbaum, Alan Seider, Howard Block, Sabrina Friedman, Michelle Hanover, Elise Morris, Jan Snyder, Judith Gillis, David Kerxton, Meira Shapiro, Leisha Bell, Ilene Brooks, Marlene Goren, Alexander Hillel, Michael Schatzow, Lorna Kane, Alan Pashkowitz, Diane Weiss, Harvey Goldstock, Joy Nelson, Harold Krause, Mark Seaman, Diane Goren

Special Anniversaries
40th Claudia & Duke Cameron
Gwen DuBois & Terry Fitzgerald
30th Pamela Marks & Michael Mininsohn
10th Jessica & Geoffrey Abraskin

B’nai Mitzvah
April 6
Elliot Libit, son of Jody and Howard Libit, grandson of Sharon and Sherwood “Woody” Libit

April 13
Simon Doff, son of Marylynn and Stephen Doff

Engagements
Roz Ehudin to Alan Shecter
Joshua Zelefsky, son of Sharon and Harvey Zelefsky, to Victoria McGrath
Zachary Zelefsky, son of Sharon and Harvey Zelefsky, to Courtney Fitzsimmons

Births
Jacob Samuel Edlow, son of Jaime and Joseph Edlow, grandson of Sharon and Donald Edlow
Dahlia Pearl Gohn, daughter of Naomi and Andrew Gohn, granddaughter of Sandra Gohn
Jeanne Louise Katz, daughter of Clara and Robert Katz, great-granddaughter of Minna and Louis Katz
Alexandra Juliette Marbury, daughter of Robi Rall and Will Marbury
Emily Ruth Miller-Barbarow, daughter of Jaclyn and David Miller-Barbarow, granddaughter of Linda and Lawrence Miller

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Jaime & Joseph Edlow on the birth of their son, Jacob Samuel Edlow, by Ilene & John Brooks
Roz Ehudin on her engagement to Alan Shecter, by Annette Romanoff • Marilyn Savage • Suzanne Strutt
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The special birthdays of Sue & Phil Golden, by Anne Ferber
The special birthday of Allan T. Hirsh, III, by Anne & Steven King
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The birth of Emily Ruth Miller-Barbarow, by her grandparents, Linda & Larry Miller

Linda & Larry Miller on the birth of their granddaughter, Emily Ruth Miller-Barbarow, by James & Alice Dolle Trosch
The special birthday of Marilyn O’Mansky, by Martha & Bud Burgde • Gerri & Larry Kobren • Ruth Oppenheim • Howard Paskow & Gary Winans • Sandra Raskin & Family
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Marcia Rosenblatt for duties above and beyond, by Tina & Arnold Ehrenreich
The privilege of having an Aliyah at Shabbat Shelanu, by Suzanne Strutt

Sharon & Harvey Zelefsky on the engagement of their sons Joshua Zelefsky to Victoria McGrath & Zachary Zelefsky to Courtney Fitzsimmons, by Koli Rinnah • Suzanne Strutt

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## APRIL EVENTS

### Monday, April 1
- 7 PM Kol Rinnah
- 7:30 PM BHC Board of Electors Meeting

### Tuesday, April 2
- 6:30 PM Processed Food Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Al Anon
- 7:30 PM Grey Sheet Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Overeaters Anonymous

### Thursday, April 4
- 9:30 AM Sisterhood Federation
- 10 AM Thursday Study Group

### Friday, April 5
- 6:15 PM Shabbat Service, Oneg Shabbat following
- 6:30 PM PJ Shabbat

### Saturday, April 6
- 9 AM Torah Talk
- 10 AM Shabbat Shelanu
- 11 AM Kol Echod: Inclusive Shabbat at Beth Am Synagogue
- 5 PM Youth Group
- 5 PM Mincha/Havdalah Service with Bar Mitzvah

### Sunday, April 7
- 9 AM Youth Education
- 9 AM Adult Education Task Force
- 9:15 AM Adult Beginner Hebrew Class
- 10 AM Anti-Racism Committee
- 10:30 AM Confirmation Class
- 11:15 AM Torah Trope
- Noon NextGen: Teen Advisory Committee
- 1 PM Brotherhood Seder
- 3 PM Risch Event

### Monday, April 8
- 1:30 PM Clergy Visit to The Atrium
- 6 PM NextGen: Rosh Hodesh/ Shevet
- 6:30 PM Budget Committee
- 7 PM Kol Rinnah

### Tuesday, April 9
- 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

### Thursday, April 11
- 9 AM Torah Talk
- 10 AM Shabbat Shelanu
- 10:30 AM Shabbat Service with Bar Mitzvah
- 3 PM Family Shabbat Education

### Saturday, April 13
- 9 AM Torah Talk
- 10 AM Shabbat Shelanu
- 10:30 AM Shabbat Service, Oneg Shabbat and Family Shabbat Dinner following, RSVP required for dinner

### Sunday, April 14
- 9 AM Youth Education
- 9 AM PEP
- 9:15 AM Adult Beginner Hebrew Class
- 10:30 AM Confirmation Class
- 10:30 AM Bereavement Group
- 11:15 AM Torah Trope

### Monday, April 15
- 7 PM Kol Rinnah
- 7 PM Adult Education Task Force

### Tuesday, April 16
- 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, April 18
- 10 AM Thursday Study Group
- 11 AM Clergy Visit to Roland Park Place
- 3 PM Clergy Visit to North Oaks

### Friday, April 19 • Passover Begins • Temple Office and E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center Closed
- 5 PM Shabbat Service, Oneg Shabbat following

### Saturday, April 20
- 9 AM Torah Talk
- 10 AM Shabbat Shelanu/Passover Service
- 5 PM Passover Second Night Seder (reservations required)

### Sunday, April 21 • Building Closed

### Tuesday, April 23
- 6:30 PM Processed Food Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Al Anon
- 7:30 PM Grey Sheet Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Overeaters Anonymous

### Thursday, April 25
- 2 PM Wise Aging

### Friday, April 26 • Yizkor • Temple Office and E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center Closed
- 10 AM Yizkor Service
- 6:15 PM Shabbat Service, Oneg Shabbat following

### Saturday, April 27
- 9 AM Torah Talk
- 10 AM Shabbat Shelanu
- 1 PM B’nai Mitzvah Retreat

### Sunday, April 28
- 9 AM Youth Education
- 9 AM PEP
- 9:15 AM Adult Beginner Hebrew Class
- 10:30 AM Confirmation Class
- 10:30 AM Bereavement Group
- 11:15 AM Torah Trope
- 1 PM Chai Life Post Passover Party
- 1:30 PM Women of BHC Shred Event

### Monday, April 29
- 6 PM NextGen: Cooking Club
- 7 PM Kol Rinnah

### Tuesday, April 30
- 6:30 PM Processed Food Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Al Anon
- 7:30 PM Grey Sheet Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Overeaters Anonymous

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

#### ANNUAL MEETING
**Friday, May 3,**
Reception, 5 PM Meeting, 5:30 PM Service, 6:15 PM, Oneg following
See details on page 3.

#### NIGHT OF THE STARS
**Thursday, May 16, 8 PM**
Tickets on sale now for Susie Essman: Live and Unscripted.
**INFO & Tickets:**
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**SERVICES**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 5**

6:15 PM • Shabbat Service  
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen and Cantor Sacks

6:30 PM • PJ Shabbat  
Cantor Ellerin

**SATURDAY, APRIL 6**

Tazria, Leviticus 12:1-13:59

9 AM • Torah Talk  
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen

10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu  
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen and Cantor Sacks

11 AM • Kol Echad: An Inclusive Service at Beth Am Synagogue

5 PM • Mincha/Havdalah Service  
Rabbi Busch and Cantor Ellerin

Bar Mitzvah of Elliot Libit, son of Jody & Howard Libit

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**FRIDAY, APRIL 12**

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

**SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

M’tzora, Leviticus 14:1-15:33

9 AM • Torah Talk  
Rabbi Busch

10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu  
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen

10:30 AM • Shabbat Service  
Rabbi Busch and Cantor Ellerin

Bar Mitzvah of Simon Doff, son of Marylynn & Stephen Doff

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**FRIDAY, APRIL 19**

5 PM • Passover Evening Service  
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen

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**SATURDAY, APRIL 20**

Pesach I, Exodus 12:21-51

9 AM • Torah Talk  
Rabbi Busch

10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu  
Rabbi Busch

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**FRIDAY, APRIL 26**

10 AM • Yizkor Service  
Rabbi Busch

6:15 PM • Shabbat Service  
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen

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**SATURDAY, APRIL 27**

Acharei Mot, Leviticus 16:1-18:30

9 AM • Torah Talk  
Rabbi Busch

10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu  
Rabbi Busch