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CANTOR-IN-RESIDENCE WEEKEND WITH CANTOR ELIZABETH SHAMMASH
FRIDAY, JANUARY 24-
SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

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THOUGHTFUL RESOLUTIONS

I’ve always loved New Year’s resolutions. Every year, I write down a few goals. Some are more tangible than others, like “learn a new instrument” or “be on time to class,” and some more abstract. As I’ve crossed these goals off over the years, I’ve found the ones that are, in fact, the most meaningful are not things that I do once and check off a list, but rather the things that positively impact both me and those around me. Make someone laugh every day, work to make the world a more accepting place, give back to your community and, perhaps my most meaningful resolution from the past year, “Look for God’s image in every person.”

This month we will read Parshat Va-y’chi, in which Jacob is nearing the end of his life. The Torah tells us how Jacob, who is now an old man on his deathbed, calls each of his 13 sons forward so that he can bless each son individually and tell them what will become of their lives. By blessing his sons one by one, each with a different blessing, Jacob highlights their uniqueness and importance as individuals. In taking the time to look each son in the eye and give them a poetic and prophetic blessing, Jacob recognizes their worth and in turn lets them see it in themselves. His words of encouragement, blessings and advice spark the potential his sons need to carry on Jacob’s legacy, and in turn create their own. Even as he dies, Jacob lives on in each of his sons. Vayechi - and he lived.

We make New Year’s resolutions once a year, but they can have a ripple effect on our world for generations to come. As we make our resolutions this year, let us take a step back and truly think about how we can utilize our unique traits and individual strengths to bring more light into the world. May we find more moments to let people know just how extraordinary they are and acknowledge their importance in our lives. In the words of Rabbi Menacham Creditor, “We are God wrestlers, that is true. But we can also choose to bless each other with an abundant love.”

– Cantorial Intern Mann
FROM THE PRESIDENT

SOCIAL JUSTICE AT BHC

Social justice is an essential component of Reform Judaism and has been embraced by the BHC community for generations. To be engaged in Reform Judaism, BHC members strive to improve the world in which we live through the ongoing work of Tikvun Olam. As Rabbi Eric Yoffie, the President Emeritus of the URJ, explains, “Reform Jews are committed to social justice. Even as Reform Jews embrace ritual, prayer, and ceremony more than ever, we continue to see social justice as the jewel in the Reform Jewish crown. Like the prophets, we never forget that God is concerned about the everyday and that the blights of society take precedence over the mysteries of heaven.”

This month at BHC we are fortunate to sponsor many extraordinary programs focusing on social justice. For Martin Luther King’s birthday celebration we are offering a screening of “Zero Weeks,” a film that focuses on paid family leave. The film will be shown on Sunday, January 19, 1 pm at BHC and will be followed by a panel discussion led by experts and advocates in the field.

Beginning Friday, January 17 through Saturday, February 1, our Immigration Committee is bringing to BHC the Family Diversity Art Project: Building Bridges, a moving collection of immigrant photographs and stories, telling the narrative of people from around the world making a new home here in the United States. In addition, on February 1, we will be hosting a Havdalah service with three noted speakers: Baltimore City Council member, Zeke Cohen, who will recount his own family’s immigration story and the importance of new immigrants in Baltimore; Guiliiana Valencia-Banks from the Esperanza Center will talk about the immigration process today; and Leslie Seid Margolis, a recent traveler to the U.S. southern border will tell us about her experience there.

BHC is proud of its partnership with the Immigration Outreach Service Center at St. Matthew’s Church. We are still collecting warm clothing throughout January. Please try to get involved in this or any of our programs to help the less fortunate, and to bring the BHC values to bear in the community at large. Seek Justice for all. That is who we are.

– Richard D. Gross
BHC President

SHARE THE NEWS ABOUT MEMBERSHIP DUES

Spread the word about BHC’s Membership Dues Policy with friends, especially those who might be new to town. BHC is the only Reform synagogue in Baltimore to offer voluntary dues for first-time members of any age, and for congregants under the age of 30. Meet with Jo Ann Windman, Executive Director; she will be happy to discuss our friendly dues policies, which encourage prospective members to give BHC a chance and then to settle into the congregation. INFO: Jo Ann Windman, Executive Director, jwindman@baltimorehebrew.org, 410-764-1587, ext. 223 or baltimorehebrew.org/dues.

CANTOR-IN-RESIDENCE

Asheh lecha Rav u’kneh lecha chaver – Get yourself a teacher, find someone with whom you can study. (Pirkei Avot 1:6)

Having completed my fellowship with the Institute for Jewish Spirituality (IJS), I have seen the fruits of my studies in many practical ways – content for my teaching, new music and inspiration for sermons. Certainly, my own mind, heart and soul have grown through the meditative and intentional practices I learned from IJS. It may be, though, that the greatest long-term benefit is a whole new cadre of teachers and fellow learners.

I have invited one of these wonderful teachers to share her passion and wisdom with us throughout the weekend of January 24-26. Cantor Elizabeth Shammash was one of the six Jewish teachers who accompanied my cohort through the 18 months of learning and self-exploration. From these rabbis and cantors I learned Torah, yoga, prayer, meditation and mindfulness. I learned to live with more awareness and intention, to open up to new ways of experiencing Judaism and holiness in the world. I prayed and learned Torah in weekday services unlike any I had experienced before. I am excited for Cantor Shammash to introduce our BHC community to some of that deeply resonant experience during our Shabbat Shelanu service, which I will lead with her. (Did I mention that’s January 24-26?)

Although the service will be recognizable, there will be several differences between this and our usual Shabbat Shelanu, so I invite you to come with open hearts and minds to see what resonates. You might enjoy the repetition of niggunim (songs without or with very few words). You might appreciate the chance to sit in silence for longer stretches than normal. You could feel moved by the intention we set before a certain prayer. You may well find that the Torah reading is surprising or powerful in new ways. If this service sounds like something you would absolutely want to do…I encourage you to flip the script and give it a try. Who knows what might emerge!

I hope you will also take advantage of Cantor Shammash’s presence on Friday night, Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. You’ll find the full schedule below.

In the quest for a thoughtful, meaningful life, I find great wisdom in the verse from Pirkei Avot above. Our Cantor-in-Residence weekend with Cantor Shammash is one of the opportunities BHC presents to get yourself a teacher and find someone with whom you can study. I hope you will.

–Rabbi Sachs-Kohen

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Friday, January 24, 6:15 PM: Rabbi Sachs-Kohen, Cantor Ellerin and Cantor Shammash will lead our traditional Friday Night service.

Saturday, January 25, 10 AM: Shabbat Shelanu with Rabbi Sachs-Kohen and Cantor Shammash. We will take our time in an alternative prayer service focusing on mindfulness, meditation and chant to find wholeness in Shabbat and the week to come.

Saturday, January 25, 4-6 PM: Cantor Shammash teaches “Yoga and Havdalah.” A gentle 90 minute yoga practice for all levels to deepen our experience of Shabbat rest. Please wear clothes you can move in and bring a mat if you have one.

Sunday, January 26, 9:30-10:45 AM: Cantor Shammash and Rabbi Sachs-Kohen “Introduction to Mindful Meditation Practice”
UPCOMING AT BHC

**PJ SHABBAT**  
Friday, January 3, 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.

**YOUTH EDUCATION**  
Sundays, January 5, 12 & 26, 9 AM  
Youth Education Sundays 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, January 5, 12 & 26, 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: Marci Messick, mmessick@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1587, ext 250.

**NEXTGEN: BECOMING A LEADER: 8TH-9TH GRADE LAB**  
Sundays, January 5, 12 & 26, 10:30 AM  
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

**UNDERSTANDING PRAYERBOOK HEBREW**  
Sundays, January 5, 12 & 26, 11:15 AM  
Cantor Sacks' Sunday morning course introduces basic prayerbook Hebrew vocabulary and grammar. INFO: Marci Messick, mmessick@baltimorehebrew.org or 410-764-1587, ext 250.

**TEEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
Sunday, January 5, Noon  
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

**NEXTGEN: 12TH GRADE FELLOWSHIP**  
Sunday, January 5, Noon  
Tuesday, January 21, 6 PM  
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

**HOFFBERGER GALLERY ARTIST’S RECEPTION**  
Sunday, January 5, 1 PM  
See page 9 for details.

**NEW YEAR'S MUSIC AND MEANING CONCERT SERIES**  
Sunday, January 5, 3 PM  
See page 5 for details.

**NEXTGEN: BOXING AND JEWISH LEADERSHIP LAB**  
Tuesdays, January 7, 14 & 21, 6 PM  
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

**WINTER NIGHTS ON PARK HEIGHTS**  
Tuesdays, January 7, 14, 21 & 28, 6:30 PM  
See the Program Highlights column this page for details.

**FAMILY SHABBAT AND DINNER**  
Friday, January 10, 6:15 PM  
This creative service is geared towards families with children in kindergarten and up. Following, all families are invited to a Shabbat dinner; reservations for dinner are required.

**KOL ECHAD: AN INCLUSIVE SHABBAT**  
Saturday, January 11, 11 AM  
See page 5 for details.

**YOUTH GROUP (1ST-7TH GRADES)**  
Saturday, January 11, 5 PM  
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

**TORAH AND SCHMOOZE**  
Sunday, January 12, 9 AM  
Join our clergy for a light nosh and learning. INFO & RSVP: Brad Cohen, Director of Education, 410-764-1587, ext 290 or bcohen@baltimorehebrew.org.

**BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST**  
Sunday, January 12, 9:30 AM  
See page 10 for details.

**NEXTGEN: ROH HODESH/SHEVET**  
Monday, January 13, 6 PM  
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

**PJ HAVDALAH**  
Saturday, January 18, 4 PM  
Together with your Infant–K children sing, make crafts and enjoy snacks with PJ the Penguin.

**BHC JUSTICE FILM SCREENING OF “ZERO WEEKS”**  
Sunday, January 19, 1 PM  
See page 5 for details.

**CANTOR-IN-RESIDENCE WEEKEND**  
Friday, January 24 through Sunday, January 26  
See page 3 for details.

**NEXTGEN: COOKING CLUB**  
Monday, January 27, 6 PM  
See the Youth Education column on page 8 for details.

**UNION SHABBAT**  
Friday, January 31, 7:30 PM  
See page 6 for details.

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**PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

**WINTER NIGHTS ON PARK HEIGHTS**

Winter Nights on Park Heights returns in January on Tuesday nights. Come discuss regional, national and world events, guided by BHC's clergy, educators and fellow congregants. Winter Nights is a great way to stay connected to your BHC community during the winter months when it is harder to get out of the door. We engage in lively, interactive discussions that include Jewish perspectives and the many different views from our community. Come give it a try, every Tuesday in January, 6:30-8 PM. Enjoy refreshments and refreshing discussions. Join us for one or all four of our current events discussions this year. Call the Temple Office with any questions. No RSVP necessary.
INNOVATION & EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION
Join us at Chizuk Amuno Congregation on Sunday, January 5, 10 AM-Noon for a presentation by University System of Maryland Chancellor Emeritus William “Brit” Kirwan, Chair of the Maryland Commission on Innovation & Excellence in Education, with additional remarks by David Hornbeck, former Maryland State Superintendent of Schools and advocate on behalf of all of Maryland’s children. The Kirwan Commission has delivered a set of recommendations to enact the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future. These recommendations are designed to transform Maryland’s K-12 public education into a world-class system that graduates students who are prepared to be good citizens of our society and are ready to enter the workforce or go on to college, regardless of their origins or economic status. This will be the biggest item on the agenda of the Maryland legislature in the 2020 session, which begins on January 8, just three days after this event. The presentation will inform us about:
• The origins and content of the Kirwan Commission recommendations
• The resources needed to make Maryland’s public K-12 education system the best in the U.S.
• How the Blueprint will be funded
• The process by which the Blueprint will be discussed in the legislature and adopted into law.

This event is free and open to the public. We will also be collecting new and gently used K-4 children’s books to donate to children in Baltimore schools. Co-sponsored by: Chizuk Amuno Social Justice Advocacy Committee, Baltimore Jewish Council, Jews United for Justice - Baltimore, League of Women Voters of Baltimore City, Strong Schools Maryland, Beth Tfiloh and Baltimore Hebrew Congregation.

MUSIC & MEANING CONCERT SERIES: NEW YEAR’S CONCERT
This year’s gala New Year’s “Music and Meaning Concert” on Sunday, January 5, 3 PM will feature internationally-acclaimed violinist Timothy Schwarz along with pianist Daniel Weiser in a very exciting program titled “An American Affair,” showcasing some of the great classical music written by American composers, including fantastic arrangements of Gershwin’s “Rhapsody in Blue” and Bernstein’s “West Side Story.” Also included will be music by African-American composer William Grant Still and the passionate works of Amy Beach. Cantor Ellerin will be joining to sing a few selections from “West Side Story” as well.

Schwarz and Weiser, who met as graduate students while at Peabody Conservatory, won the 1996 U.S. Artistic Ambassador Competition, which resulted in a two-month tour of the Middle East and Southeast Asia promoting our American music in countries such as Syria, Pakistan, Egypt, Thailand, Sri Lanka and more. They were described as “the most powerful musical ambassadors to have performed in the region,” who performed with a “lyricism, passion, and incredible virtuosity.” Both men have performed in over 30 countries and continue to promote our American classical music across the world.

This concert series is generously sponsored by The Peggy and Yale Gordon Trust. Admission is free, and all are welcome. No tickets or RSVP required. Informal. Innovative. Inspiring. Start 2020 off with this exciting program of great American classical music.

KOL ECHAD: INCLUSIVE SHABBAT
Baltimore-area synagogues have joined forces to continue the series “Kol Echad: Inclusive Shabbat” for school-aged children with special needs and their families. Chizuk Amuno Congregation will host on Saturday, January 11, 5 PM, and BHC is excited to host again on Saturday, March 7, 5 PM. The 45-minute sessions will include music and movement breaks and are open to students of all abilities and their families. Sensory products like crash pads, weighted blankets and light covers are available. INFO & RSVP: Rachel Plotkin, baltimorekolechad@gmail.com.

BHC JUSTICE HOSTS MLK WEEKEND MOVIE SCREENING AND TALKBACK
In observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, BHC Justice is working again with other congregations and organizations in the Baltimore area to plan a movie screening and talkback. This year’s event will feature the film “Zero Weeks,” an award-winning documentary that explores the social and financial consequences of the U.S. being one of only two nations in the world without paid family leave.

In his “Promised Land” speech, Martin Luther King Jr. said, “We are called upon to help the discouraged beggars in life’s marketplace. But one day we must come to see that an edifice which produces beggars needs restructuring.” This film, talkback and action, will invite us all to think about one particular way we can help with that restructuring, right here in Maryland.

Sunday, January 19, 1-4:30 PM. This event is free. Babysitting available upon request. Light refreshments will be served. Registration in advance strongly encouraged by emailing bc@baltimorehebrew.org.

NEED A HEBREW NAME?
At the Shabbat Shelanu service on Saturday, January 18, 5 PM, BHC will help members desiring Hebrew names to choose and be blessed with a Hebrew name. Shemot is both the name of that week’s Torah portion and the Hebrew word for names, so this is a wonderful day for naming. At past naming opportunities, congregants have participated who needed a name for their own or their own children’s B’nai Mitzvah, or were thinking ahead to their eventual funeral prayers, or just wanted a Hebrew name. If you are interested, please contact Rabbi Busch in advance, 410-764-1587, abusch@baltimorehebrew.org, or arrive 15 minutes early on January 18. Either way, we will help you select a Hebrew name.

AZURE CONCERT
The next Azure Family Concert for People Living with Autism and Similar Challenges will take place on Sunday, January 26, 2-3 PM at BHC. It will feature the beautiful cello and piano duo of Lavena Johanson, cello and Judah Adashi, piano. Families can enjoy music in a relaxed and welcoming environment where our motto is: “All Behaviors Welcome!” TICKETS: azurebaltimore.org. INFO: maria@ourjoyfulnoisebaltimore.org. This concert is generously sponsored by the Peggy and Yale Gordon Trust.

Stay current with all that’s happening at BHC! Send your e-mail address to postmaster@baltimorehebrew.org.
UNION SHABBAT FEATURING
RABBI JOSH WEINBERG

On Friday January 31, 7:30 pm, BHC will join with Baltimore’s other Reform Congregations (Bolton Street Synagogue and Har Sinai–Oheb Shalom Congregation) to celebrate our annual Union Shabbat together. Rabbi Josh Weinberg, Vice President of the Union for Reform Judaism and Executive Director of ARZA (Association of Reform Zionists of America) will address the upcoming World Zionist Congress election and its impact on Reform Judaism in Israel. No Shabbat service will be held at BHC that evening, as we gather together at Bolton Street Synagogue (212 W. Cold Spring Lane, Baltimore, MD 21210), followed by a communal Oneg Shabbat.

STAY SHABBAT

BHC Cares will host a STAY Shabbat (Shabbat That’s About You), which allows us to come together and make our community more intimate through conversation and connection on Saturday, February 1, following Shabbat Shelanu. During Shabbat Shelanu we will be privileged to have a speaker from the Religious Action Center (RAC) on Disability Awareness (inclusion). After services all are invited to a Kiddush, where we can have a conversation with our speaker. This event is open to all at no charge. INFO: Carol J. Caplan, carolcjca@comcast.net.

BHC JUSTICE: IMMIGRANT COMMITTEE

We are incredibly excited to announce The Family Diversity Art Project: Building Bridges will be at BHC from mid-January into early February. This moving art installation of photographs and interviews tells the stories of people who have come to the United States as immigrants and refugees from all over the world. Seeing their pictures and reading their stories we get a glimpse into their trials and triumphs as they make America their new home. Whether you are already coming to BHC or making a special trip, don’t miss this important and powerful display!

In conjunction with the Art Project, we are also thrilled to be hosting an immigration-focused Havdalah event on Saturday, February 1, 4-6 pm. We will be joined by three outstanding speakers: Baltimore City Councilman Zeke Cohen will tell the story of his family’s journey and its connection to the vibrancy brought by recent immigrants to Baltimore. Giuliana Valencia-Banks of the Esperanza Center will teach us about the current challenges facing those trying to navigate our immigration system, and Leslie Seid Margolis will tell us about her recent travels to the border to bear witness to the humanitarian crisis unfolding there. We will close with Havdalah.

And also: Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Winter Clothing Collection! Your kind donations are keeping so many kids toasty warm in this cold weather. We will continue to take donations of new and gently used (and clean!) coats, hats, mittens, scarves, sweaters and other warm clothing (for adults or children) as well as gift cards from major retailers, in any amount, through January.

INFO: Julie Simon, jsimonknoll@gmail.com.

PEP: PURSUING EDUCATIONAL POSSIBILITIES

Judaism offers us great opportunities to learn about our traditions, the world, and ourselves. PEP is an ongoing Sunday morning learning opportunity enjoyed by BHC congregants. It’s time to sign up for the spring semester. This spring, Dr. Susanna Garlein will teach “Wisdom Literature” at 9:30 am. Wisdom Literature is concerned with the realities of the human experience, from the mundane to the sublime, and with the relationship between the human experience and the divine. In this course, we will consider the books of the Bible that belong to this category of literature. Namely, we will survey the books of Proverbs, Job and Ecclesiastes as well as Wisdom Literature from the ancient Near East. Rabbi Sachs-Kohen will teach “Spiritual Teachings of Chassidic Masters” at 10:45 am. Study with Rabbi Sachs-Kohen some of the texts she has learned in her fellowship with the Institute for Jewish Spirituality (IJS). Having only dipped her toes in, she will not presume to TEACH you these texts, but rather will plan to study them together with you.

The semester begins Sunday, February 2, 9 am and continues select Sundays throughout the spring. INFO & REGISTRATION: Ruth Spivak, spivakcpa@verizon.net, 410-666-1891.

JEWISH DISABILITIES ADVOCACY DAY

In February, we will be celebrating our work for disability rights with the 30th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and 45th anniversary of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). We also mark the 10th anniversary of Jewish Disability Advocacy Day (JDAD) on Tuesday, February 4. In partnership with The Jewish Federation of North America, JDAD is a one-day event in Washington, D.C., for hundreds of Jews with disabilities and their supporters to learn about current disability rights policy, raise awareness on disability inclusion, and advocate for legislation on Capitol Hill. The prophet Isaiah teaches, “For my house shall be a house of prayer for all my people” (Isaiah 56). Don’t miss the chance to advocate and ensure that every member is treated with dignity in all aspects of religious and public life.

REGISTER: form.jotform.com/9219417620156. INFO: Carol J. Caplan, BHC Cares Chair, 410-764-1587, ext.270 or caroljc@comcast.net.
Doron joined ADL as the Regional Director of the Washington, D.C. Region in January 2017 and is a frequent speaker and media commentator on the issues of civil rights, extremism, antisemitism, hate crimes, and bias response. He has provided testimony on hate-related issues before the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights Advisory Committee, the Maryland State Legislature, the D.C. City Council and other bodies and led ADL’s response to Unite the Right rally in Charlottesville, VA. He served as a member of the Commonwealth of Virginia’s Commission on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and is a graduate of “Putting Racism on the Table,” a joint program conducted by the Washington Regional Association of Grantmakers and Leadership Greater Washington. He was previously a law partner in the Washington, D.C. and London, U.K. offices of Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP and an adjunct faculty member of the Georgetown University Law School. He has been active in non-profit organizations, including as a member of the Boards of Directors of A Wider Circle, the D.C. Central Kitchen and several additional community organizations in Washington and Boston. He previously served as Deputy Chief of Staff and Head of Operations to Massachusetts Governor Bill Weld. He is a graduate of Dartmouth College and Boston University School of Law, where he was an Articles Editor of the Law Review. He subsequently served as a law clerk to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit.

The Institute is acknowledged to be one of the exceptional programs BHC offers the community, bringing together members of all faiths to approach from their multiple perspectives issues of universal importance. The program will begin at 10 AM, followed by lunch at NOON. The cost for this event is $18, which includes a box lunch. Advanced registration is required. This important program is co-sponsored by the Alice Hecht Memorial Fund, Bernice S. Kramer Memorial Fund and Women of Baltimore Hebrew Congregation. INFO: Carol J. Caplan, Chair, 410-764-1587, ext. 270 or carolcjca@comcast.net.

**LEAVE A LEGACY**

“I did not find the world desolate when I entered it. And as my parents planted for me before I was born so do I plant for those who will come after me” (Talmud Ta’anit 23a).

As we near the celebration of Tu B’Shevat next month, our New Year for trees, we think about renewing the earth. It is also a wonderful time to act on supporting our congregation for our children and those who will come after us.

BHC has flourished and endured, in part, because individuals throughout its long history have made the commitment to us and our children through gifts to the congregation. As the beneficiaries of their lasting devotion, it is now our turn to secure the future for generations to come.

Today, with over 1,200 member families, Baltimore Hebrew Congregation is a warm, vibrant and welcoming congregational family, rich in Reform Jewish history and a tradition of innovation. With caring, dynamic clergy and educators, BHC combines the comfort of tradition with the amenities required to meet the expectations of a thriving and ever-evolving congregation in the 21st century.

It’s easy to leave a Legacy through your will or other planned gift. For information, or to let us know if BHC is mentioned in your will, please contact me at 410-764-1587, ext. 236 or email asaxon@baltimorehebrew.org.

Annette Saxon
Director of Development

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E.B. HIRSH EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

BIG ACHIEVEMENTS FOR ALL OUR CHILDREN

Around this time of year, many magazines compile stories regarding the year in review. As 2019 comes to an end, I thought it would be a perfect time to spotlight the achievements of the students of the E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center. For early childhood educators, even the smallest of achievements garner a big hip, hip hooray!!! Let’s begin with a drum roll please:

First to all the children born in 2019 who are currently attending or soon to be attending E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center, a big welcome to: Sam E., Meira B., Brynn H., Harrison G., Everett C., Uri T., Zachary W., Lucy S., Henry L., Dax K., Shreena K., Vincent B., Solomon K., Pearl K., and Eloise I.

Our next round of applause is for the group of children who learned to walk. After much hard work, sometimes frustration and a lot of determination, you can get around much quicker and have more fun.

Congratulations to all the children who graduated from a crib to a “big bed” and to everyone who took the next step and stopped using their pacifiers.

A big round of applause to the children who are no longer in diapers and those who are on their way out of them!

To all the children who can spell or write their names, keep up the good work.

Finally to all the children who mastered the monkey bars, swinging on the swings, building the highest block tower, completing a puzzle and trying new foods...CONGRATULATIONS!

We are looking forward to many more successes in 2020!

Jen Platt
Director, E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center

E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center has a lot to offer. Learn about our school, our programs, and our people: EBHIRSHEARLYCHILDHOODCENTER.ORG

HOFFBERGER GALLERY

“EAST/WEST”
WORK BY KAREN KLINEDINST

Exhibit dates: January 3 - February 24
Reception: Sunday, January 5, 1-3 PM

Artist Biography: Karen Klinedinst is an artist using photography to explore themes of place, nature and the environment. Inspired by the 19th-century landscape paintings of the Hudson River School, she creates richly layered landscapes that combine the real with the imagined.

Her work has been exhibited at Maryland Art Place, Soho Photo Gallery, University of Maryland Global College, The Center for Fine Art Photography, Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, and the Biggs Museum of American Art. In 2018, her series, The Emotional Landscape, was exhibited at the Griffin Museum of Photography in Stoneham, MA. Her work is in the collection of the National Park Service.

She is a graduate of the Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA) in Baltimore. In 2004, she was awarded a Platte Clove artist residency at the Catskills Center she completed for Conservation and Development in New York; and in 2006, a National Park Service artist residency at Acadia National Park in Maine. In April 2020, she will be an artist-in-residence at PLAYA in Summer Lake, OR. In 2015, was awarded an Individual Artist Award from the Maryland State Arts Council. She was a Photo Lucida Critical Mass 200 finalist in 2018 and 2019.

CHAI LIFE

IT’S TIME FOR TRIVIA

The winter months are long and cold but we love them because winter means trivia! Join the Chai Life trivia team at Homslyce in Mt. Vernon on Thursdays throughout the winter. Chai Life will provide an appetizer to share each night, and you cover the rest! If you would like to be added to our Trivia email list and get weekly updates let me know by emailing myhairpoofsout@gmail.com.

Shira Moskowitz
Chai Life Chair

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

BLUE & YELLOW CURBS

For those with special needs, curbside parking is available near the Hoffberger Chapel entrance and the Adalman Lobby located closer to the main sanctuary. The blue curbs or curbs marked with the handicapped symbol are reserved for those with handicap car tags or displaying handicap placards. When you see a yellow curb you are asked not to park in that area. Your sensitivity and cooperation are greatly appreciated.

ACCESSIBLE CONGREGATIONS

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THE WOMEN OF BHC (WBHC)

GET INVOLVED TODAY
Attend A Program
Women of BHC offers multiple opportunities to study with clergy, members of the community and each other. We also have programs and events on a variety of topics. View details on our upcoming programs and events, choose which ones interest you and join us for a good time. 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.

FIND OUT MORE!
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BROTHERHOOD NEWS

BROTHERHOOD BREAKFASTS
Join the Brotherhood for lox, bagels, cream cheese, scrambled eggs, Danish, juice, and fresh-brewed coffee when our Sunday breakfast series continues on Sunday, January 12, 9:30 AM. The guest speaker will be Kevin Cowherd. Mr. Cowherd was a sports columnist and features writer for the Baltimore Sun for 32 years, and is the best-selling author of several baseball novels for young readers written with Hall of Famer Cal Ripken, Jr. His topic will be “Presidential Primaries: Trump vs. ???” This will be a nonpartisan talk about where the primaries stand and the deep divisions within this country, which mirror what is occurring in democracies abroad.

SAVE THE DATE: SEDER PRESENTED BY BROTHERHOOD
Save the date for our Passover Seder presented by Brotherhood, Sunday, March 29, 1 PM with Cantor Ellerin. We are looking for volunteers to help organize the Seder. INFO & VOLUNTEER: Perry Cocke, 443-418-7908.

BROTHERHOOD CHICKEN FICKERS
Join the fun and camaraderie; become part of the Brotherhood Chicken Flickers. Known as the Iron Chefs of BHC, they cook for over 100 people, at times. Whether it’s cooking tenderloin, salmon, or scrambled eggs, it always comes out as good as a catered meal. However, they could occasionally use help to assist with cooking or serving. No experience is needed, but you must be part of the Brotherhood. It’s just an enjoyable way to do a Mitzvah. INFO: Sid Bravmann, 410-952-6352.

CELL PHONES FOR CHANA
We are collecting used cell phones to be turned over to CHANA, which offers a Jewish community response to the needs of persons who experience abuse and other forms of interpersonal trauma. The phones’ data will be cleared and refurbished, then given to clients for emergency life-line or recycling. A drop-off box is located in the Temple Office.

GET INVOLVED TODAY
BREAKFAST SERIES
Sid Bravmann
410-952-6352

CHICKEN FICKERS
Marshall Klein
410-795-7360 or
maklein101@hotmail.com

MANNA HOUSE
Bruce Harris
410-484-7849 or bnharris@comcast.net

MEMBERSHIP (BROTHERHOOD)
Danny Duhan
410-504-4703

BROTHERHOOD SEDER
Perry Cocke
443-418-7908

TRAFFIC SQUAD
Jordan Loran
410-377-9084 or unclejordo@msn.com

USHERS
Richard Peterson,
bhc.ushers@gmail.com

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Learn the benefits of Women of BHC, become a member and join our social action efforts: baltimorehebrew.org/sisterhood/about

Receive notices of upcoming events and see current photos. Find event details and photos of past events. And watch our videos of past sermons, linked from our YouTube page. Let us know if you want to share your Shabbat plans with us to be featured on our page.

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OFFERINGS

IN MEMORIAM
We record with sorrow the passing of
Paul Davis
Sigmund Eckhaus
Howard Falk
Michael Glass
Charles “Chuck” Goldman
Nettie Jacobs
Phyllis Kolodner
Elaine Layden
Robert Levine
Irwin Leviton
Rabbi Lewis C. Littman
Phyllis Neuman

May their memories be a blessing.

PERPETUAL MEMORIALS

January 3-4
Jacob Abraham
Barnet Annenberg
Isaac Arosy
Dr. Daniel Bakal
Charles B. Baker
Harry M. Black
Ann W. Branch
Betty Butler
Miriam M. Lewenberg
Cowen
Henry C. Dalsener
Samuel De Boskey
David Dogoloff
Mark Dogoloff
Henrietta Eliau
Nathan Fine
Sarah Senker Fisher
Frieda Fox
Sadye Jacobs
Goldman
Larry Goldschmidt
Philip Gordon
Mena Greenbaum
Vivian Grossman
Aaron Gutman
Louis Gutterman
Milton J. Haas
Susan N. Hackerman
Olivia Himmelfarb
Leon Hoffman
Morris P. Hurwitz
Sidney Kahn
Gloria B.
Katzenberg
George Kirschbaum
Julius Kirschhausen
Ada S. Knepper

Henry Cullen Straus
Bessie Sultzter
Mark Sultzler
Jennie Turkel
Ruth Taubman
Syer
Celeste Fleischer
Warendorf
E. David Weinberg,
M.D.
Bertha Fisher
Weisberg
Charles Weissman
Charles M.
Winternitz
Paul C. Wolman, Jr.
Benjamin Gershon
Zerdin
Liesel Ziegelstein
January 10-11
Cora Eichengreen
Adler
Martha Baneman
Henry I. Becker
Laurette Berger
William Berger
Allen Marvin
Berknran
Marvin Blumberg
Allen Brager
Mark Steven Brower
Oscar M. Brown
Frank Caplan
Melvin Carp
Morris Cohen
Robert Cohn
Nathan Conn
Samuel F. Ephraim
Beatrice Etterman
Belle A. Fensterwald
Morton Benjamin
Finifter
Bertram Finkelstein
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Amelia Frank
Louis Carl Fried
Harry M. Goldberg
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Sidney M.
Goldsmith
Dailina Gorn
Mr. Allan Richard
Greenberg
Florence M.
Hamburger
Elsie Blum Herwood
Sidney Herbert
Hurwitz
Anna F. Hyman
Mary L. Hyman
Hyman I. Israel
Ida Kadosh
Marcus H. Kahn
Melvin Karsh

Jennie B. Katten
Edward Klasman
Sylvia Esther
Rechtman Klein
John G. Kohn
Paul L. Kohnstamm
Alice M. Lazarus
Molly K. Leibowitz
Samuel Levy
Leib Lichter
Carlyn Elaine
Lipman
Isaac Ernest
Lovenman
Esther Lustick
Sarah Macks
Harold Manekin
Linda M. Mayer
Jeanette N. Miller
Meyer Miller
Helena Morris
Frances L.
Moskowitz
Michael M.
Myerberg
Nathan Newberger
Frances N.
Perimeter
Morton William
Peskin
Benjamin S.
Pumpian
Mamie S. Quartner
Sarah Elsaesser Rose
Morris Rosenberg
Miri Am Rosenfeld
Lawrence Rosenfield
Mark Rosenberg
Robertine L.
Rosenthal
Eva Rottenberg
Goldie Rubin
Lena Rudo
Isidor Salganik
Henry Sauber
Rose Ruth Schapiro
Rose Schnaper
Elsie Brown
Schneebaerger
Louis Schumann
Israel Shapiro
Rose Dorman
Shapiro
Dr. Jerome Sherman
Sara Shochet
Harry M. Silverfarb
Mendel Silverman
Dr. Marvin Myron
Small
Frank S. Solomon
Shirley Solomon
Violet Strasburger
Spear
Michael Spencer

Jess H. Speyer
Sherman Steel
Jacob Stern
Rabbi Richard
Sternberger
Max Strauss
Mindelle Strauss
Helaine G. Trosch
Nathan A. Trup
Albert Tobias
Weinberg
Natalie Wolf
January 17-18
Daniel Stewart
Aiken
Maria Bachrach
Dr. Max K. Baklor
Jacob Benesch
Sol C. Benenholtz
Belle Berman
Annie Jacobs
Caplan
Arthur O. Carp
Selma Cassin
Rose Chapelaline
Charles Cohen
Samuel Charles
Cohn
Flora S. Dashew
Levi H. David
Henry De Boskey
Mildred Mashkes
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Goldstein
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Rabbi Adolf
Guttmacher
Frank Handwerger
Justin Held
Howard Herzig
Hilda Himmelreich
Rachel Imhoff
Len Jacobs
Rosa Herstein
Jacob
Morton Kramer

Pauline Kramer
Minnie Hollan
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Maurice W. Levin
Samuel Levy
Marie W.
Lowenstein
Theresa Mahler
Bessie Miller
Marcelle Elaine
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Louis Miller
Samuel Miller
Charles Mindel
Joseph Moskowitz
Ruth Oppenheimer
Isaac Osermann
Jacob L.
Ottenheimer
Edward Pierson
Robert J. Potashnick
Mildred Robinson
Samuel Rosen
Hannah Nathan
Rosen
Doris Rosenblatt
Leah Rosenheim
Stella Rosenheim
Walter Rosenthal
Augusta Rothschild
Tillye Sachs
Rabbi Murray
Saltzman
Susan Rayna Scali
Merle D. Schacht
Moses Schenthal
Paul Schwartz
Anna Sharogradsky
Edna Simon
Herbert N. Slotnick
Henry Solomon
Leah K. Sonner
Amelia G. Steiger
Sadie F. Strauss
Walter M. Thomas
Samuel Tochman
Simon Turkel
Bessie Urwick
Edward Wagner
Jeanette Rosner
Wolman
Fannie Frances
Zipkin
Lisa Cahane Zweifler
January 24-25
Evelyn Blumenthal
Abraham
Max Alexander
Samuel Barnett
Sylvia Baruch
Henrietta Birnthal
Ida Burke
Esther Carliner
Leon Carton
Rena M. Chapin
Special Birthdays
William Braverman, Amanda Schuman, Lauren Loran, Barry Cohen, Pamela Marks, Melvin Trosh, Steve Wilkerson, Marjorie Kanof, Brett Levinson, John Haas, Amy Levitt, Marta Braverman, Hon. Michel Pierson, Phyllis Segall, Phyllis Kolman, Andrew Rudo, Joan Abramson, Stefan Miller, Sarah Pincus, John Coffey, Rachel Lederman, Rebecca Peterson, Michael Gold, Sherrie Frankel, Galina Langer-Jallad, Linda Flame, Jill Sprague, Lisa Berkun, Evelyn Gorman

Special Anniversaries
50th Phyllis & Richard Lederman Leslie & Robert D. Waldman
40th Brenda Brandon & Max Blumenthal Margaret & Robert Weiss
25th Rebecca Roberts & Sidney Spunt
15th Katherine Newberger & Joshua Civin

B’nai Mitzvah
January 4 Jonah Milstone, son of Amy Winkelstein & Aaron Milstone

January 11 Elayna Stein, daughter of Margaret Presley-Stein & Dana Stein

Engagements
Jake Saxon, son of Annette & Michael Saxon, grandson of Frederica Saxon, to Camille Ries
Ebony Jackson to Marcus Wilson

Marriage
David Hahn, son of Lola & Joseph Hahn & Helene & Jeffrey Waranch, grandson of Allan T. Hirsh, Jr., to Terry Hawkins

Births
Axel Joseph Brasser, son of Emily & Andre Brasser, grandson of Melanie & Howard Greenberg, great-grandson of Trudy Greenberg & Jeanne Rottenberg
Eli Aaron Edelstein, son of Sara Speert Edelstein & Nick Edelstein, grandson of Linda & Beryl Speert
Dylan Jael Lynn-Weingram, daughter of Ashleigh Framm Lynn & Mark Weingram, granddaughter of Rhonda Framm & Matthew Lynn

L’DOR V’DOR

We gratefully acknowledge the following offerings:
For the speedy recovery of Merle Ann Siegelman, by Suzanne Strutt Barbara Sindler, by Betty & Barry Lavenstein Dottie Smith, by Suzanne Strutt
In honor of The birth of Axel Joseph Brasser, by his grandparents, Melanie & Howard Greenberg The special birthday of Paula Cohen, by Ann & Richard A. Fishkin
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Paula & Stuart Cohen on the engagement of her daughter Ashley Cohen to Caitlin Bettsworth, by Carole Seidman

The marriage of Roz Ehudin to Alan Shecter, by Suzanne & Dick Braffman • Gerri & Larry Kobren • Ann & Ted Losin • Gilda & Harold Resnick • Annette Romanoff • Marilyn Savage

Lori & Larry Frank on the birth of their granddaughter, Lily Paige Snyder, by Joy & Bruce Katzenberg

The 5th wedding anniversary of Alana & Andrew Katzenberg, by Joy, Bruce, Adam & Rachel Katzenberg

An aliyah for my birthday, by Gerri Kobren

The 100th birthday of Phil Miller, by Brotherhood

Cindy & Steven Miller on the birth of their grandson, Ari Rokuson Miller, by James & Alice Dolle Trosch

Lisa & Jay Radov on the engagement of their son Michael Radov to Charlotte Hammond, by Joy & Bruce Katzenberg

Ann & E. Carey Ries on the birth of their great-grandson, Charlie Howell Lanas, by Joy & Bruce Katzenberg

Amy & Jimmy Ries on the birth of their grandson, Charlie Howell Lanas, by Joy & Bruce Katzenberg

The new home of Lois Rosenfield, by Marta Braverman

Rabbi Sachs-Kohen for officiating at the wedding of David Hahn & Terry Hawkins, by Helene & Jeffrey Waranch

Annette & Mike Saxon on the engagement of their son Jake Saxon to Camille Ries, by Nancy & Curt Civin • Becky & Larry Gutin

Linda Schwartz on her granddaughter, Olivia Finn, becoming a Bat Mitzvah, by Sharan & Mel Kushner • Irene & Michael Sherman

Linda & Berryl Speert on the birth of their grandson, Eli Aaron Edelstein, by Benjy Dubin & Rachel Dubin

In memory of

Naomi Becker, by Betsy Rosenthal

Gertrude Berman, by Carol Ronis

Jacob Bernstein, by Joy & Bruce Katzenberg

Mayer Joseph Binder, by Valerie Binder

Carol Bolotin, by Susan Zeiger

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**JANUARY EVENTS**

Videostreaming for Shabbat and High Holy Day services is available by visiting venue.streamspot.com/de50dfb8. Registration is not necessary.

**Wednesday, January 1 • Temple Office and E.B. Hirsh Early Childhood Center Closed**

**Friday, January 3**
- 6:15 PM Shabbat Service, Oneg Shabbat following
- 6:30 PM PJ Shabbat

**Saturday, January 4**
- 9 AM Torah Talk
- 10 AM Shabbat Shelanu
- 10:30 AM Shabbat Service with Bar Mitzvah

**Sunday, January 5**
- 9 AM Youth Education
- 9:15 AM Adult Beginner Hebrew Class
- 10:30 AM NextGen: Becoming a Leader: 8th-9th Grade Lab
- 10:30 AM Confirmation Class
- 10:30 AM Adult B’n’ot Mitzvah
- 11:15 AM Understanding Prayerbook Hebrew

- NOON Teen Advisory Committee
- NOON NextGen: 12th Grade Fellowship
- 1 PM Hoffberger Gallery Artist’s Reception
- 3 PM New Year’s Music and Meaning Concert Series

**Monday, January 6**
- 7:30 PM BHC Board of Electors Meeting

**Tuesday, January 7**
- 5 PM Hoffberger Gallery Committee Meeting
- 6 PM NextGen: Boxing and Jewish Leadership Lab
- 6:30 PM Winter Nights on Park Heights
- 6:30 PM Processed Food Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Al Anon
- 7:30 PM Grey Sheet Anonymous
- 7:30 PM Overeaters Anonymous

**Friday, January 10**
- 6:15 PM Family Shabbat, Oneg Shabbat and Family Shabbat Dinner following, RSVP required for dinner

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SERVICES

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3
6:15 PM • Shabbat Service
Rabbi Busch and Cantor Ellerin
6:30 PM • PJ Shabbat
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4
Vayigash, Genesis 44:18-47:27
9 AM • Torah Talk
Rabbi Busch
10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen
10:30 AM • Shabbat Service
Bar Mitzvah of Jonah Milstone, son of Amy Winkelstein & Aaron Milstone

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10
6:15 PM • Family Shabbat
BHC clergy, teens, and Cory Hermann

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11
Va’y’chi, Genesis 47:28-50:26
9 AM • Torah Talk
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen
10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu
Rabbi Busch and Cantorial Intern Mann
10:30 AM • Shabbat Service
Bar Mitzvah of Elyana Stein, daughter of Margaret Presley-Stein & Dana Stein

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17
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Rabbi Sachs-Kohen and Cantor Ellerin

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18
Sh’mot, Exodus 1:1-6:1
9 AM • Torah Talk
Rabbi Busch
10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu
Rabbi Busch and Cantor Ellerin
4 PM • PJ Havdalah
Rabbi Busch

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24
6:15 PM • Shabbat Service
Rabbis Sachs-Kohen, Cantor Ellerin and Cantor-In-Residence Elizabeth Shammash

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25
Va-eira, Exodus 6:2-9:35
9 AM • Torah Talk
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen
10 AM • Shabbat Shelanu
Rabbi Sachs-Kohen and Cantor-In-Residence Elizabeth Shammash

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31
6:15 PM • URJ Shabbat Service at Bolton Street Synagogue
Rabbi Josh Weinberg, Vice President of the URJ and Executive Director of ARZA
No Shabbat Service at BHC