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## COMING SOON...



MY  
BETH ISRAEL

**New membership online portal  
debuting soon**

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**Get to Know Rabbi Aaron Sataloff!**

**Online and In Person Events!**

**What has your Beth Israel  
community been doing?**

**History on your Sisterhood  
Gift Shop!**

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

- Sheila & Johnny Bish**
- Shirley Brown**
- Jessica Chasin**
- Michelle Chasin**
- Ashley Finlay & Lewis Chessis**
- Adela & Michael Cohen**
- Kevin Farladansky & Daryelle Varon**
- Ronnie Federman**
- Danielle & Gunter Frankel**
- Fallon Howells**
- Cynthia & Daniel Levitt**
- Ashley Marcks & Steven Lazar**
- Cyndi & Jacob Melton**
- Sharon Romm**
- Rosalind Rotman**
- Lauren Epstein Scharf**
- Madelyn Waller**
- Nadia & Jordan Witherspoon**

## *“Praying for Daily Miracles”*



Of the many ritual items, books, and sacred texts we appreciate in our faith, we have been taught that the siddur or prayerbook is among the most prized and treasured. In a somewhat compact and accessible fashion, we can approach a prayerbook in a much different way than our sacred Torah scroll. A prayerbook can come in many sizes and offer many different interpretations. The Reform movement itself has seen an important evolution from the Union Prayer Book, to Gates of Prayer, and to Mishkan Tefillah. Each edition signified an important stage in our relationship to prayer. Not only the ancient Hebrew texts, but the

important English translations. Today, we include more Hebrew on each page alongside transliteration, demonstrating that all should have access to pray in our sacred tongue, regardless of proficiency or comfort level.

Throughout this pandemic, we’ve come together on Shabbat and holidays. The comfort and familiarity of our services have helped to bring us together, even though we’ve been physically separated. But, our liturgy isn’t only reserved for these special times. Our weekday prayers can help center us during particularly challenging and difficult days. For those moments when we feel lost and unfocused, we find comfort in our daily morning prayers. This can be a meaningful and significant way to begin our day.

Traditionally, when we wake up to experience a new day, we give thanks to God for restoring our soul. We offer thanks that our bodies are functioning and pray that we will continue to be sustained by acknowledging our soul, a gift from God. One of the most beautiful sections of the morning service is the section known as “Nisim B’chol Yom,” or daily miracles. These daily miracles include praising God for giving us our physical body, which is a sacred vessel that allows us to perform certain tasks. It also reaffirms our connection to the Divine presence, which helps to strengthen our efforts in bringing about justice, equality, and participating in acts of loving-kindness. Though we may wake up feeling weary and fearful of the challenges that are before us, this series of blessings acknowledges that there are still miracles around us. Regardless of our ability to read the traditional text or name our own daily miracles, this could be a helpful and productive tool as we strive to fuel our souls. By developing a prayer practice, we can cultivate a deeper appreciation for what still exists, rather than focusing on what we have lost.

When we have our health, we can offer thanks to God. When we are in need of healing, we can ask for courage and strength. When we need to envision a more positive future, we can ask for greater insight, and clarity. When we simply want to make it through the day, we can ask for God’s help to do that in a more meaningful and desirable way.

Prayer is a unifying force in our tradition. Regardless of the language we may choose, expressing our daily blessings acknowledges our partnership with the Divine and sacred. May we look ahead to brighter days and greater peace, as we strive for good health, hope, and peace.

*Rabbi Adienne P. Scott*

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## REMINDER

Many area hospitals no longer notify us when a congregant is hospitalized. If you would like our clergy or the Inclusion and Caring Committee members to visit you or a loved one in the hospital, please contact the Temple 713-771-6221

## PLEASE NOTE

For all payments, the new return address for Beth Israel is:

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## Rabbi Lyon on the Radio

Rabbi David Lyon can be heard on Sunday mornings at 6:45 AM on KODA, Sunny 99.1 FM radio.

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## ShulCloud Coming Soon

We are excited to announce that very soon Congregation Beth Israel will have a new online member portal where you will be able to access & edit your profile, register & pay for events, register for lifelong learning classes, and so much more!

*Stay tuned for official launch date!*

*Dear Congregation Beth Israel Family,*

We hope you will consider a gift to the Beth Israel Share the Load campaign. Your help will enable us to continue growing all our fabulous programs. Please call us at 713-771-6221 to make a donation over the phone.

Thank you in advance for your generous gift, continued devotion to Beth Israel, and for helping Share the Load. Together, we will go from strength to strength.

Sincerely,

Roslyn Fuchs Haikin  
President

## Thank you to those who have donated this year as of November 12th

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## Meet our New Member, Sharon Romm from Seattle!



On a cold and damp Friday evening last winter in Seattle, I was waiting in my car in the Temple parking lot for services. Then the rain started pelting down. The trip across the parking lot looked dismal so I drove home and decided to search for services online. I found a YouTube video of Congregation Beth Israel, watched services online until the weather improved, and then I returned to in-person attendance.

When COVID struck, I wanted to attend Passover services. The technology of the local Temple wasn't up to speed so I returned to Beth Israel, and I have been attending ever since.

Until the hospital that I worked at felt that it was safe for me to return to work, I was so pleased with my growing connection to your Congregation. I attended Zoom meetings, was introduced to the clergy, and didn't miss a Friday night. I've corresponded with members I've met in the Basic Judaism class and in Saturday morning Minyan. My association with Beth Israel has helped me through the dark months when I had to be at home and thought I'd never be able to return to the hospital where I've worked for twenty years. It was so difficult to be suddenly removed from my community. Beth Israel provided me with the support I needed. I officially joined because I want to be a part of your community and even though I'm now back at work now, I intend to continue. As soon as COVID is in control, I plan to visit Houston and be in the sanctuary on a Friday night!

I chose between a career in art or writing vs. a career in medicine where I could earn a salary and paint or write or whatever after work hours, and it's worked out just fine. I started life as a surgeon (everyone can make a wrong choice) and then shifted to psychiatry, a much better specialty selection. I began to paint seriously in 1990, and changed to working in porcelain in 2000 as painting was too much of an isolative activity. I returned to painting a few years ago when my cat developed asthma and the clay dust was detrimental.

Sharon kindly donated a piece of her art to the Temple and it can be seen by the Gift Shop. You can also view her work at [www.SharonRomm.com](http://www.SharonRomm.com)



## What a Mitzvah!

If you have ever been to the Temple, you have certainly seen Facilities Campus Manager, Michael Reddick, helping to keep the Temple looking amazing and running smoothly. He's the guy who helps direct school pickup, he carries boxes for staff members, he worked with architects on Beth Israel's new awning, and when category four Hurricane Laura hit Lake Charles, he jumped in to help with that too.

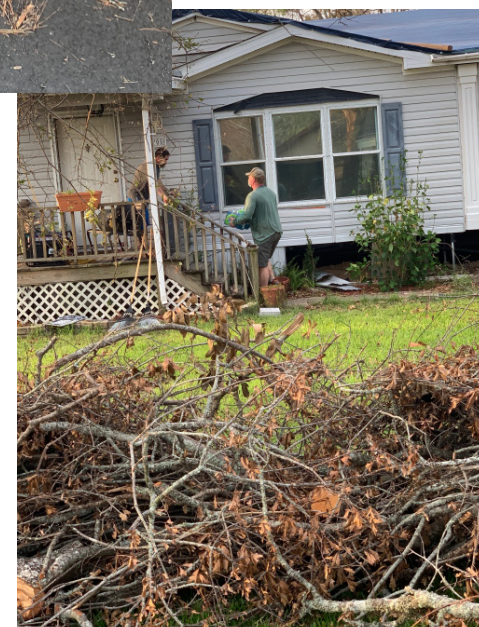
Michael has family in Lake Charles and when he heard from them how bad it was and the help that was desperately needed, he did not balk at the task. Through two trips to Lake Charles, he and a group of his family and friends took food and cleaning supplies to the neighborhoods that were devastated by the hurricane.

When Marsha Gilbert, Special Events & Catering Manager, heard that Michael was going, she insisted that Beth Israel help in some way. Michael told her that they were planning on grilling some chicken so Marsha made 35 pounds of potato salad and the amazing ladies in the kitchen, Delia Diaz and Flor Delgado, baked and individually wrapped 400 cookies! These food boxes were eagerly welcomed by those in Lake Charles, and Michael grinned when he said, "They seemed to be more excited about the cookies than the cleaning tools!"

While in Lake Charles, Michael and his friends cleared debris from yards, freed left behind animals, gave out food boxes & 30 cases of water, and donated \$1,500 worth of gift cards from Beth Israel to those in need.

As Michael reflected, he said most people simply wanted to talk about their experience. Most thanked God that they were alive and remarked that they would rebuild with the help of neighbors and friends.

According to Michael "It was a group effort, and Congregation Beth Israel stepped up amazingly!"



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## INTRODUCING RABBI AARON SATALOFF

*Assistant Rabbi at  
Congregation Beth Israel*

Back in March, we announced Rabbi Aaron Sataloff as the new Assistant Rabbi and then as we all know, the city shut down and everything moved online. Rabbi Sataloff officially moved to Houston in July and since many of you have not been able to meet Rabbi Sataloff in person, we thought we'd feature him.

Rabbi Sataloff was born in Memphis and spent most of his life moving (TN, NJ, WA, VA, CA, and OR), as his father served in various administrative positions in Jewish Community Centers. His father is his very best friend (dog not included) and mentor. His family is his world, and they've been through a lot together. They once drove cross-country in a conversion van, so he's reasonably confident they can survive anything. His mother works as a preschool teacher in a Reform shul, and his sister also works at a JCC. They pretty much all drank the Manischewitz Kool-Aid. However, while "social Judaism" was his life for many years, eventually, he discovered that he loved learning about Judaism. You might be thinking, "Aaron, you're a rabbi, isn't that a given?" The simple truth is that Judaism, the religion, not the people, never appealed to him until he found it for himself.

When he was 12, his synagogue informed him that a Bar Mitzvah was "out of the question." His Hebrew skills were inadequate. Rabbi Sataloff was hurt and angry. Nonetheless, after months of private tutoring and a move to a Reform temple, he made it through his rite of passage. He vowed never to retake another Hebrew class. That is until he assumed he could earn an

easy "A" in Biblical Hebrew during his sophomore year at the University of Oregon. He was wrong. It wasn't easy. But he did pass! Moreover, the synergy between faith and academics - between sacred text and knowledge - produced a sensation he had never experienced while sitting in a classroom - unrelenting interest.

Yet, his journey hit a pause when he was diagnosed that very winter with testicular cancer. He was forced to take a leave of absence for medical treatment. However, something really amazing happened at a time when his life seemed broken. When he felt broken. While sitting across the table from a rabbi who he reluctantly accepted an invitation for coffee with (his dad convinced him it would be a good idea), he had his "come-to-Judaism" moment. Their conversation wasn't particularly deep, his fault, not the rabbi's, but learning about the rabbi's journey pushed him to understand his better. He loved the Jewish people. He loved sitting down and learning about others, making connections, spirituality, music, Israel, summer camp, community, and he loved coffee (black, extra shot - a "Red Eye" if we're being fancy about it). Ultimately, he loved Hebrew (it's a complicated relationship). At Peet's Coffee in downtown Los Altos, he realized that being a rabbi was the only option. That moment where the spotlight hits and everything else fades to black. There was nothing else he wanted to do more than that. Rabbinics was his first love.

His journey had been brewing for quite a while, but he never realized it. That is, until he put all the pieces together like a TV drama detective staring at the wall of pin-up evidence. And that's where his story begins. After his recovery, he decided to take a gap year and move to Israel to participate in Project OTZMA, a volunteer-based Israel program. While tempted to join the IDF and never return home, he ultimately realized that becoming a rabbi meant he would have to finish undergrad. However, after graduation in 2011, he flew back to Israel to attend Hebrew Ulpan on Kibbutz Tzuba, because the only thing standing in his way of rabbinical school was a Hebrew test (the irony is not lost on him, he promises). In the foothills of Jerusalem is where he applied and was accepted to Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR) in Los Angeles. His journey had brought him full circle.

With that being said, he holds a B.A. in Judaic Studies from the University of Oregon and Rabbinic Ordination from HUC-JIR in Los Angeles. He also holds an M.A. from the Zelikow School of Jewish Nonprofit Management.

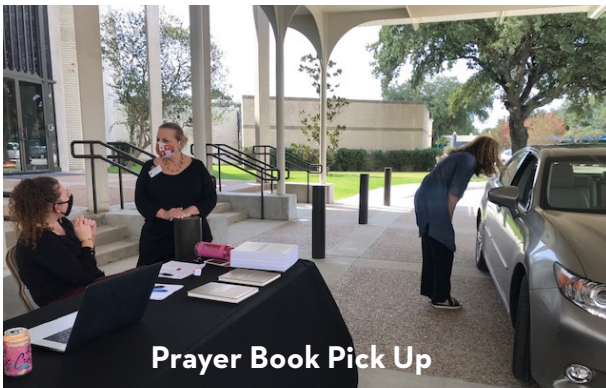
If you ever talk to Rabbi Sataloff, it won't be long before he mentions his dog, Charlie, who he met at Waffle House just three weeks after he moved to Georgia. Rabbi Sataloff wants to know our members and says to please call, text, or email him!



*We may not have been together physically in our Temple but we were together online for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.*

Over 10,000 members, friends, and families joined us for our online High Holy Days services and over 1,000 prayer books were borrowed! It was an unusual year but our community came together in unique ways both in person and virtually. We had families across the pond who were able to watch services together for the first time in years, families who donned masks so they could be together, and families who watched services virtually together so they could keep loved ones safe.

We thank everyone for their patience and understanding and we look forward to seeing you at next year's services.



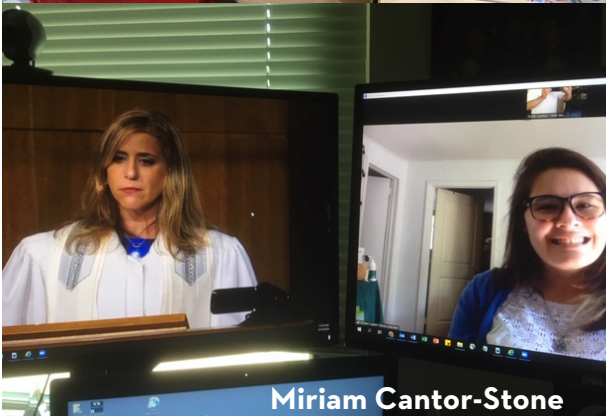
Prayer Book Pick Up



Marcos, Cecilia, Ana, Gabriel, and Jay Freedman.



Lucky and Sandy Burke, Connie Burke, Shirley and Sonny Landsberg, Adam and Sylvia Burke + kids, Stacey Burke and Josh Reiss + kids and Allison and Philip Wise + kids.



Miriam Cantor-Stone



Marsha Stein with daughter Melanie



Please Join us for our  
**Chanukah celebration!**  
There is something for everyone!



**CHANUKAH CAR CELEBRATION DECEMBER 6- 1:00 PM TO 3:00 PM**

We have treats and goodies to help you celebrate Chanukah! Please drive by the temple on December 6th to pick up your goody bag and say hello to the Rabbis, Cantor and staff!

**LATKE DEMONSTRATION DECEMBER 9 AT 12:00 PM**

The Membership Engagement Committee invites you to join our own Marsha Gilbert for an online demonstration of her mother's famous latke recipe! To Register, please contact Liza Hirsch at [LHirsch@beth-israel.org](mailto:LHirsch@beth-israel.org) Zoom Link will be sent

**CHANUKAH COOKING DECEMBER 11 AT 12:00 PM**

The Membership Engagement Committee invites you to Beth Israel Cooks because we all need new recipes! Please send your favorite Chanukah recipe and why it is your favorite (is it your favorite food, did you learn it from someone special, do you make it in a specific outfit, etc.!), by December 11th to Liza Hirsch at [LHirsch@beth-israel.org](mailto:LHirsch@beth-israel.org). You will then receive all of the recipes in a recipe swap on December 14th.

**CHANUKAH SERVICE DECEMBER 11 AT 6:30 PM**

Join Congregation Beth Israel for a Chanukah Shabbat Service via live stream at [www.beth-israel.org](http://www.beth-israel.org)  
For our service, we need your Chanukah photos!  
Please send photos to Laura Kaplan at [LKaplan@beth-israel.org](mailto:LKaplan@beth-israel.org)

**CHANUKAH CELEBRATION ONEG DECEMBER 11 AT 7:30 PM**

The Membership Engagement Committee invites you to join them for their first online Oneg! Join them online December 11th at 7:30 PM after the Chanukah Service. All guests will be entered to win one of our famous Pull-A-Part Cakes! To register please email Liza Hirsch at [LHirsch@beth-israel.org](mailto:LHirsch@beth-israel.org) Zoom Link will be sent

**BETH ISRAEL CONSECRATION SERVICE DECEMBER 13 AT 9:30 AM**

Families with children in Kindergarten this year are invited to join us for our online consecration service at 9:30 AM on Sunday, December 13th. To Register, please contact Stephanie Robertson at [SRobertson@beth-israel.org](mailto:SRobertson@beth-israel.org)



# LIBRARY NEWS

## READERS GROUP

The Beth Israel Readers Group is scheduled to meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 1:30 PM. Due to COVID-19, we have enjoyed continuing our schedule with Zoom meetings. Watch for announcements and links to Zoom. Congregants and friends are welcome to join this convivial group.


## READERS GROUP RECENT ONLINE GATHERINGS

OCTOBER 21: *THE BOY: a Holocaust Story* by Dan Porat. Wayne Dorris offered his research on this significant Holocaust book.



NOVEMBER 18: Once again, the Readers Group participated in the ERJCC Book Festival Community Read. Our favorite ambassador, Robyn Shkolnik, again led the discussion of this interesting title, *Concealed: Memoir of a Jewish-Iranian Daughter Caught Between the Chador and America*. Prior to our discussion, our group attended the presentation talk by the author, Esther Amini.

Individual readers to unite in a shared literary experience.



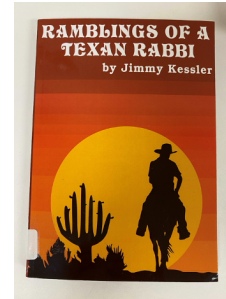
**Esther Amini**  
*Concealed: Memoir of a Jewish-Iranian Daughter Caught Between the Chador and America*  
Monday, November 9 | 7:30 PM CST

In her debut memoir, Esther Amini tells the story of growing up in 1960s New York in a Persian-Jewish household. The American-born daughter of parents who fled Mashhad, Iran's holiest Muslim city, is caught between two worlds – the dutiful daughter of parents who craves more independence than tradition permits. Exploring the roots of her family dynamics, Amini uncovers her parents' difficult journey to the US, where they faced a threat to their traditions: the threat of freedom.

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## Future Events!

DECEMBER 16: *Ramblings of a Texas Rabbi* by Rabbi Jimmy Kessler. Rabbi Kessler will join us via Zoom to share his wonderful stories and memories of growing up in Houston, University of Texas and his career as Galveston's beloved Rabbi. Watch for notices about links to the talk.



JANUARY 20, 2021: *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. In response to many requests, this popular best-seller will be the topic of our meeting. Barbara Hordern will lead the discussion. Watch for future selections in the weekly E-News.

## LIBRARY GENEALOGY SERIES:

The Schachtel Library sponsored a fourth genealogy and genetics lecture on October 18. Dr. Jacqueline Hecht presented a fascinating talk "What Family History Can Do for You." She impressed on the audience the importance of researching your family history, and not just relying on commercial DNA analysis tests.

## Top 10 Reasons to Know your Family History

10. It's a free medical screening that you can do in the privacy of your own home.
9. It's a great way to get to know your relatives in older and younger generations.
8. It's a good way to know your risk for conditions seen in relatives.
7. Because when you need to know, they may not be there to ask.
6. Because with a little help from the past, you can change the future.
5. Because it's not just recipes that get passed down in families.
4. It's a priceless gift to leave your children.
3. Because every family has a story, but not every family has YOUR story.
2. Because what you don't know CAN hurt you.
1. It doesn't cost a thing and IT COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE !!

## NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

We are continuing to purchase new books and all are available for circulation. Watch the Library page of the Beth Israel website (under Lifelong Learning) for lists of the new acquisitions. Librarian, Judy Weidman, will be happy to set aside your choices.

Remember you can access the library catalog any time to browse for new titles! Go to [www.beth-israel.org](http://www.beth-israel.org) and click MIRIAM BROWNING JLC, then click on LIBRARY to access. The Library Catalog is available online 24 hours a day! Requests for reservations can be sent to Judy at [jweidman@beth-israel.org](mailto:jweidman@beth-israel.org), or direct phone at 713-820-6410.

## The Israel Advocacy Committee (IAC) has a great series of programs and information for the Congregation!

Please check out our page on the Temple's website at [www.beth-israel.org/lifelong-learning/adult-learning/israel-advocacy/](http://www.beth-israel.org/lifelong-learning/adult-learning/israel-advocacy/) for all upcoming programs and contact information.

The Israel Advocacy Committee focuses on advocating, educating, and promoting Israel to our Congregation. We fulfill that mission by providing pro-Israel programs and events, and promoting Congregational Israel trips.

We welcome new members so please contact Committee Chairs Martha Barvin, Ruth Sherman, or Rob Shoss if you are interested in joining the IAC.

### Upcoming Programs

**January 24 at 11 AM** Rabbi Josh Herman will present "The Ideology and Sociology of Israeli Reform: Challenges and Opportunities." Rabbi Herman, formerly an Assistant Rabbi of Congregation Beth Israel, is now serving on the teaching faculty of Hebrew Union College Jewish Institute of Religion in Jerusalem. He and his wife, Aviva, made Aliyah several years ago.

### Israeli News Highlight

Abraham Accords Peace Agreement: Treaty of Peace, Diplomatic Relations and Full Normalization Between the United Arab Emirates and the State of Israel. September 2020

Israel and two Arab Gulf states, the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain, have formally and publicly established diplomatic relations. The White House is calling the agreements "The Abraham Accords." The U.A.E. and Bahrain are the third and fourth Arab countries to open diplomatic relations with Israel; Egypt in 1979, and Jordan in 1994 were the first two and Sudan joined in Oct. 2020.

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*Rabbi Joshua Herman,*  
*Rabbi for the Year-in-Israel Program*  
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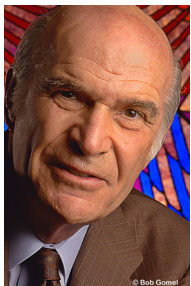
*The Ideology and Sociology of*  
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*Moderated by Rabbi Adrienne Scott*

*Sunday, January 24th at 11:00AM (Online)*  
To Register Visit: [tinyurl.com/RabbiHerman](https://tinyurl.com/RabbiHerman)



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# NER TAMID SOCIETY



*We are thrilled to announce that The Beth Israel Board of Trustees has approved the recommendation from The Beth Israel Endowment Board to change the name of The New Endowment Fund to The Samuel E. Karff Endowment Fund. This name change honors the great work and legacy of Rabbi Karff.*

The Board of Directors of the Congregation Beth Israel The Samuel E. Karff Endowment Fund continues to be very diligent stewards of our endowment in an effort to provide the funding required to support many aspects of congregational life. We would like to share with you some of these funds along with their restricted uses that are vital to assist in excellent programming and educational opportunities that we all benefit from:

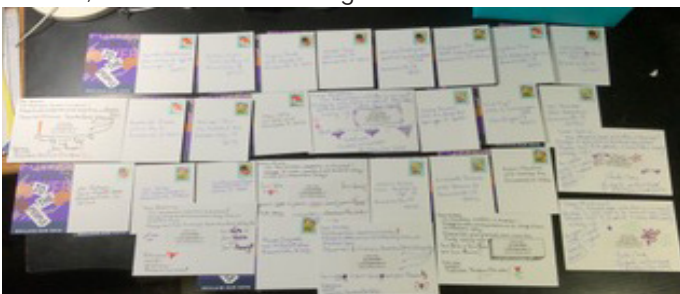
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| Wolff-Toomim Education Fund | Supports Jewish educational programming                                |
| Shlenker School Endowment   | Supports educational enhancement programs & operations                 |
| Perpetual Care Endowment    | Supports the on-going maintenance of our cemetery grounds & structures |
| Beth Israel Endowment       | Supports Temple operations   |
| L K Lewis Scholarship       | Supports scholarships to URJ Jewish Camps including Greene Family Camp |
| Schachtel Library           | Supports library operations  |
| Herbert Joseph              | Supports Religious School scholarships                                 |

As you give thought to potential year-end giving, please review the funds that might personally appeal to the interests of both you and your family. The continued growth of our endowment funds will support Beth Israel for generations to come. Remember! Your gift to the The Samuel E. Karff Endowment Fund is Tax Free and we do accept stocks. We would also be glad to meet with you regarding a Ner Tamid legacy gift as part of your estate planning. Our Ner Tamid Society is 120 members strong and growing. There are many opportunities available for establishing both restricted and unrestricted funds in honor of your family and loved ones. Please feel free to reach out to Pam Kutner, Executive Director, for more information at 713-771-6221 or PKutner@beth-israel.org.

## Social Justice Committee members made a real difference this fall!

Our online Postcard Party on October 1 made it fun to prepare 1600 non-partisan postcards to people whose voting records indicated they could use encouragement to vote. Thanks to Mary & Warren Rich for preparing the supply bags, to Dena Marks for great competitions and generous prizes, and to many members for writing postcards!!!

Eight committee members also volunteered to call 250 people who had not voted as of the day before Election Day. These were non-partisan calls to residents of Beth Israel's neighborhood. We appreciate working with our partner in community outreach, The Metropolitan Organization (TMO), which provided the voter information. Many thanks to Dayle, Fallon, Jennifer W, Leslie, Lisa, Melissa, Miriam, and Warren for making calls on short notice.



We joined our partner the Religious Action Center of the Union for Reform Judaism (RAC-TX), on November 11 for a post-election strategy call. Several of our members are helping research issues to help us decide where to focus our advocacy work for the coming Texas legislative session. We also celebrated all the work done by RAC-TX congregations to get out the vote.

### Houston's annual Muslim Jewish Christmas Eve Day event will happen online on Thursday, December 24 at noon!

Clergy and other leaders will discuss "Healing and Wholeness Through Faith: A conversation on how our beliefs can pull us through challenging times." The program will be simulcast across multiple platforms from the participating organizations, including traditional means via Beth Israel's website. Please save the date-registration will be available by email soon!

At our next Zoom committee meeting, we'll determine our long and short term projects. We're happy to welcome new members to our work, so let us know if you want more information and to be on our list please email Lisa Stone or Dena Marks at lestone@aya.yale.edu or denasokolow@gmail.com





## New Committee Reorganization Project Completed and Open for Business!

Our Temple facility may not be open for in person programming, however our committees are busy planning online and future in-person programs. Look for our new Volunteering is a Priority (VIP) logo to learn more about the committee activities and opportunities to volunteer and share your talents and interests at Beth Israel.

We are launching a new VIP program after the first of the year to invite our congregants to be involved in committee participation and share their special talents (communication, development, PR, technology and many more). We look forward to connecting with as many congregants through committees and other opportunities as possible.

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### COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHTS

**Family Engagement Committee-** This is a brand-new committee that will focus on energetic programming for young families. Under the leadership of Zachary Silverman and Freddy Feldman, this committee offers creative and enticing programming that will involve the whole family. Anyone wanting to be involved in new programming opportunities for newborns to B'nei Mitzvah age children should contact Zachary ([Zachary.silverman@ubs.com](mailto:Zachary.silverman@ubs.com)) or Freddy ([freddy.feldman@gmail.com](mailto:freddy.feldman@gmail.com)).

**Mitzvah Committee-** This committee is co-chaired by Irv Berger and Nicole Nathan Gibson. Formerly named the Social Justice Committee, this committee will now coordinate ongoing Mitzvah projects such as Kids' Meals and Mitzvah days. This committee has been able to resume their monthly meetings to make Kids' Meals lunches for children in-person by reservation only. Please contact Marsha Gilbert at 713-771-6221, or by email, [MGilbert@beth-israel.org](mailto:MGilbert@beth-israel.org) if you are interested in participating.

**Social Justice Committee-** This committee was formerly named ABIDE and will continue the programming for Social Justice topics. Under the leadership of Lisa Stone and Dena Marks, this committee has been off to a great start with activities that encouraged congregants and the community to get out to vote with their Postcard Party on October 1.

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January 12, 2021  
 7:00PM  
 Online

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Eric K. Ward is a nationally-recognized expert on the relationship between authoritarian movements, hate violence, and preserving inclusive democracy. In his 30+ year civil rights career, he has worked with community groups, government and business leaders, human rights advocates, and philanthropy as an organizer, director, program officer, consultant, and board member. Eric's widely quoted writings and speeches are credited with key narrative shifts. He currently serves as Executive Director of Western States Center, Senior Fellow with Southern Poverty Law Center and Race Forward, and Co-Chair for The Proteus Fund. His presentation at last year's ADL "Never is Now" conference on anti-semitism was profound and deeply engaging.

Since Eric took the helm in 2017, Western States Center has become a national hub for innovative responses to white nationalism, antisemitism, and structural inequality, towards a world where everyone can live, love, work, and worship free from bigotry and fear.

Currently Co-Chair for The Proteus Fund, Eric co-founded Funders for Justice with the Neighborhood Funders Group and has served as consultant or advisor to numerous philanthropic institutions including Open Society, Tides, and the Brooklyn Community Foundation. Eric is a member of the Pop Culture Collaborative's Pluralist Visionaries Program, a former Rockwood Leadership Institute Fellow, and OSI New Executives Fund recipient.

The recipient of the Peabody-Facebook Futures Media Award, Eric is working on a forthcoming documentary about whiteness and race in America, and is an aspiring singer-songwriter under the name of Bulldog Shadow. In high demand as a speaker and media source, Eric has been quoted recently in The New Yorker, New York Times, Los Angeles Times, Washington Post, ESPN, NPR, BBC, Rolling Stone, and numerous other media outlets. The author of multiple written works credited with key narrative shifts, Eric currently publishes regularly on Medium and The Oregon Way blog, he contributed to the Progressive Media Project from 2008-14, and he published the daily blog Imagine2050 from 2008-11.

Congregation Beth Israel is excited to partner with the ADL to host Eric Ward for the Paula and Alfred Friedlander Forum on January 12, 2021 at 7:00PM for an online conversation on ways our community can promote racial and social justice issues.

To register for this free event, please visit [Tinyurl.com/Friedlander-Ward2021](https://tinyurl.com/Friedlander-Ward2021)  
 A Zoom Link will be provided after registration.

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## CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL'S 2020 LYON COHEN SYMPOSIUM

On Thursday evening, October 29th, Congregation Beth Israel hosted its fifth Lyon Cohen Symposium on the Ethics of Citizenship. Having been rescheduled from April 2020 due to the coronavirus, this event was held completely online with hundreds of guests in attendance. The panelists included Rabbi David Lyon, Senior Rabbi of Congregation Beth Israel, Joe Straus, former Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, Ed Emmett, former County Judge of Harris County, and the event was moderated by Ellen Cohen, former State Representative and former Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Houston who was married to Lyon Cohen in whose memory the event was held. The panelists engaged on several issues related to, Jewish ethics in

this country, how to respond to immigration issues given that we are a nation of immigrants, and how to meaningfully participate in the election process. The presentation was thoughtful and engaging, exploring how Jewish text and Jewish sources can relate to the modern issues of citizenship. Each of the panelists described their perspective, and Ms. Cohen deftly interjected questions and invited others on the panel to respond.

*“Our panelists and moderator were engaged in a thought provoking, candid and important program. Even when they disagreed, it was encouraging to hear different views presented respectfully with affirmation and deference. My father would have been proud!”*  
said Marcie Zlotnik.

A special recognition was made to Jeffrey Leiber, winner of the 2020 Lyon Cohen Merit Scholarship. Every year Congregation Beth Israel awards a \$5,000 merit scholarship to a student currently pursuing or planning to pursue a graduate degree. The scholarship is available to members and family members of Congregation Beth Israel and is presented on a merit basis to an individual who exemplifies Lyon Cohen's optimism and devotion to Jewish ethics. This coming year's deadline is February 15, 2021, and applications are available at [www.beth-israel.org](http://www.beth-israel.org).

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February 15, 2021

Questions? Please contact Stephanie Robertson at [SRobertson@beth-israel.org](mailto:SRobertson@beth-israel.org) or 713-771-6221 ext. 313

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### Engaging Teens During a Pandemic

Our teen programming has flourished this year with innovative programming and opportunities to engage our teens in a completely new social way. As a result of the pandemic, we have created wonderful and meaningful ways to engage our post-B'nei Mitzvah teens in addition to their ongoing presence at Kehillah High and as Madrichim on Sunday mornings at MBJLC.

At the beginning of the school year, a teen-led "Teen Dream Team" was created, and they have taken



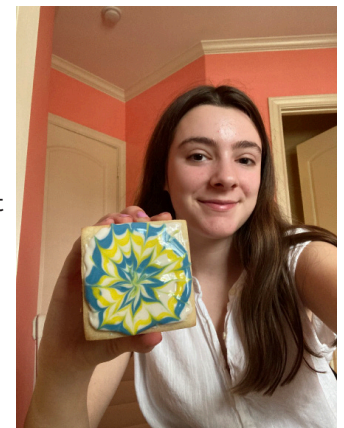
ownership and generated amazing ideas to engage their friends and others throughout the congregation. Special thanks to Sofia Clark, Abigail Goldenberg, Liv Rubenstein, and Abby Seigle, who have

worked so hard to bring new online experiences to our 8th-12th graders. From a Teen TV Trivia Night to a Challah baking competition with the winners chosen by guest celebrity judge, Chef Duff Goldman, we have seen new growth and excitement with teen programming.

On November 8th, as mid-term exams became the focus for our teens, we provided special care packages that were hand-delivered to them. A "Treat Yo' Self" experience, prepared and led completely by the teens, followed where they found time to engage with each other and discuss how they were all managing through this challenging year.

Our goal is to continue creating meaningful moments and deeper connections throughout the year for all 8th-12th graders in the congregation. We look forward to welcoming your teenager to our next social event on **December 12th from 12:00-2:00 PM for a Teen Chanukah Celebration!**

To register or for more information about joining our "Teen Dream Team," please reach Jennifer Quick, who coordinates teen programming at Congregation Beth Israel, at [jquick@beth-israel.org](mailto:jquick@beth-israel.org). We are always looking for new ideas and opportunities for engagement!



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This trip is made possible by generous donors, participating congregations, and the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston

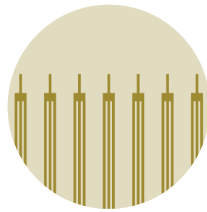
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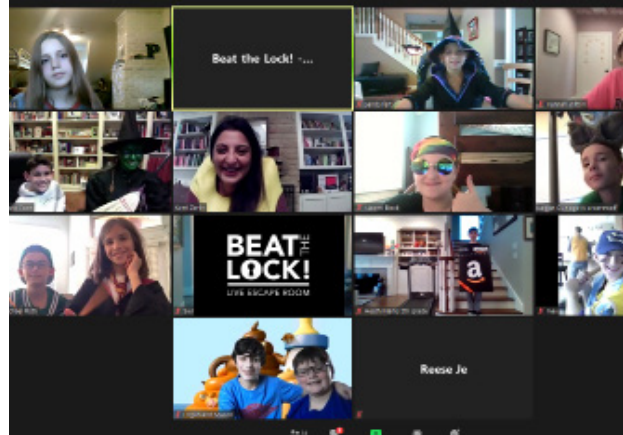
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## CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL'S JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP TAKES EVENTS ONLINE

On the evening of Oct. 31, 2020, children in third through sixth grade came together over Zoom for a costume contest and online escape room sponsored by Beat the Lock Live Escape Rooms, a company that hosts virtual events and games for socially distanced, safe fun during the pandemic. The 16-kids solved the clues and escaped the room with 13 minutes to spare!

*"We wanted to find a safe, fun way to allow our children to celebrate while creating an enjoyable experience for them,"* said Congregation Beth Israel Youth Coordinator, Kerri Zerlin. *"We thought it was important to offer a socially-distanced alternative for families this year during the pandemic."*



best character, and best overall costume. *"We had such imaginative costumes,"* said Rabbi Sataloff. *"From Hermione to hippie, everyone was dressed in their best. We even had one child whose costume was a 'priceless' Amazon gift card!"*

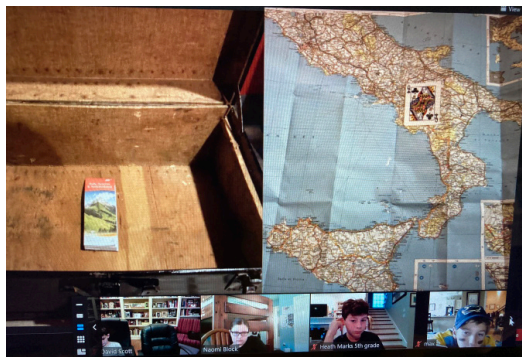
After the contest, players joined a Zoom hosted by Beat the Lock. While they couldn't physically be in the spy-themed room, the children worked together to decipher the clues and instruct

'Ellen,' the spy in the room, on how to break free. While the clues were not easy, Beat the Lock Escape Rooms designs youth events based on grade level, so none of the puzzles were beyond the abilities of any player. Using pencil and paper, the group took notes, sharing ideas until they solved each clue.

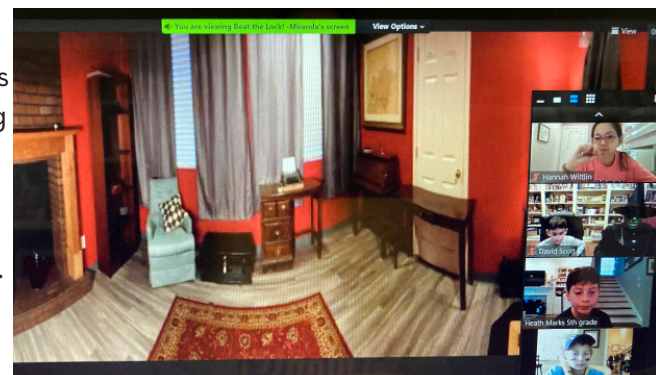
*"It was cool how everybody was giving input and we figured it out all together,"* said sixth grader Hannah Wittlin, whose tourist costume took home one of the evening's prizes.

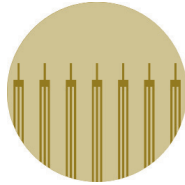
Thanks to teamwork, the Junior Youth Group children solved all the puzzles and successfully escaped the spy room in only 47 minutes and four seconds. An amazing feat for the smart kids of Congregation Beth Israel, according to Beat the Lock, who said the room only has a 48 percent escape rate.

For more information on Congregation Beth Israel's Junior Youth Group and upcoming youth programming, please contact Kerri Zerlin, Youth Coordinator, at [kzerlin@beth-israel.org](mailto:kzerlin@beth-israel.org).



The evening started with a costume contest, judged by Beth Israel's Rabbi Aaron Sataloff, with prizes in categories such as scariest, funniest, best original,





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*You have walked by it, browsed, and shopped in it, but do you know the history of the Sisterhood Gift Shop and what your purchases mean to the Temple?*

In 1966 Janice Sellinger Caplan began working for the Sisterhood Giftshop at Beth Israel. Back then it was by the bride's room across from the chapel and it was small. Very small. She was one of the few salaried positions and as time went on she did more and more, eventually doing all the buying for the shop and coordinating all the major events that Sisterhood put on. These events included luncheons, catering for the B'nei Mitzvahs, and a huge garage sale that was in the

Wolff-Toomim Hall every summer. They even did a talent show where all the members used to perform. What a sight that must have been!

As one would imagine, Janice was very busy managing the store and coordinating all the Sisterhood events, but she had help from a wonderful woman, her mother. Her mom became her back up person to merchandise the shop, as it was open Sunday-Friday, and they worked together until her mother couldn't drive anymore.

Then in 2002 when the congregation began building the new addition, she was asked to be a part of the design team along with Marsha Stein and Cindy Schmerin.

Reflecting on her time Janice said, "It is a lot different now than it was. Everybody was shopping there, using it for gift purchases." Even how they purchased the merchandise was different. She used to go to markets to buy and usually the markets were at the time of the Rabbinical and Sisterhood conventions. What they used to sell was very different! She laughed remembering the tin menorahs she used to sell. "Pieces are becoming more art-like pieces and people are keeping them out all year now, showing them off." "It is no longer generations passing down pieces but, young people are getting their own and are proud to display them."

"Not only did I love the shop, but I also worked with two rabbis, Rabbi Karff & Rabbi Lyon. They were/are everyday people and they they became part of my life. I know what you can do there as a volunteer, you can make the change."

After 48 years, she left the giftshop in 2014 after her husband had passed away. Janice currently lives in Houston, her home for 87 years. Before COVID-19 struck, she was actively volunteering with Dress for Success. She and others were honored in April 2019 for their work with the Sisterhood.

When Janice retired, the current manager, Anita Seline (fifth generation member) was hired. Anita had worked with Janice as a gift representative and she told Janice that when she retired, she would love to run the shop. She has been doing so for eight years.

Now the gift shop is growing even more by moving to an online platform as well as the shop in the Temple. You can shop everything at [www.shopsisterhood.org](http://www.shopsisterhood.org) or by calling Anita at 713-777-4315 for a personalized, over the phone experience. Supporting your Sisterhood Judaica Gift shops help our Temple and Community. They also have a large selection of B'nei Mitzvah, Confirmation, and Wedding gifts. Next time you need a gift or want to add to your collection, visit the Sisterhood Gift Shop, and keep the Beth Israel tradition alive!





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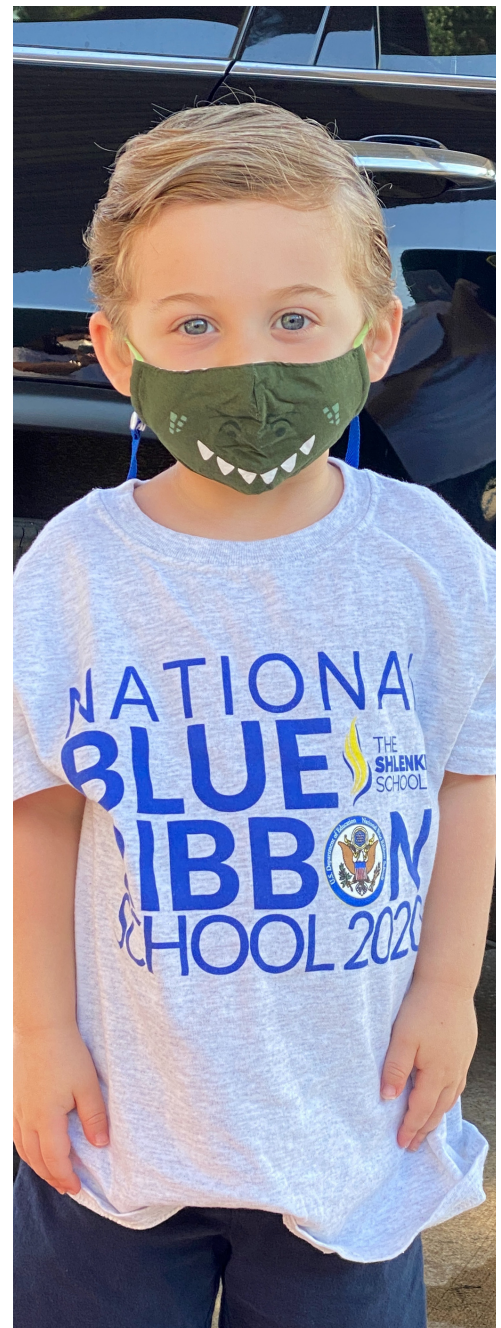
We are very excited to share with you that The Shlenker School has been named a 2020 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL by the U.S. Department of Education! This is a particularly meaningful honor given that The Shlenker School was the vision and dream of our beloved Rabbi Sam Karff, z”l. We know he would have been so proud.

The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors private and public elementary, middle, and high schools, in one of two performance categories: “Exemplary High Performing” and “Exemplary Achievement Gap Closing.” The Shlenker School was nominated in the Exemplary High Performing category and recognized as one of the highest performing schools in the state, as measured by standardized state assessments.

To be named a National Blue Ribbon School, the U.S. Department of Education requests nominations from the top education officials in every state. Nominated schools are then invited to apply and must submit an extensive application for consideration. [Click here to view our profile and completed application.](#)

Shlenker is one of 367 schools nationwide and one of only 50 private schools nationwide to receive the prestigious honor, which identifies schools that are models of successful teaching and learning. The Shlenker School is also one of only two private schools in Texas to be named a 2020 Blue Ribbon School.

We want to say a sincere thank you to the students, faculty/staff, administrators, Board of Trustees, families, and the entire Shlenker School and Congregation Beth Israel community. It is because of this community’s hard work, dedication, and commitment that our school has been selected for this honor and we can continue to provide students with a high-quality Jewish day school education. Regardless of the challenges that 2020 poses, Congregation Beth Israel and The Shlenker School are thriving.





**The Congregation gratefully acknowledges the following contributions through November 8, 2020:**

For a full list of our funds, please visit our website: [www.beth-israel.org/giving/tribute-donations](http://www.beth-israel.org/giving/tribute-donations)

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Leisa and Andy Dillon

**Bar Mitzvah of Jack Susman**

Karen and Harry  
Susman

**Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Blumenthal**

Jeff, Jacob and  
Harvey Blumenthal

**Conversion of Sheila and Johnny Bish**

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Kathleen Blakeslee

**Elizabeth Paull's Bat Mitzvah**

Leslie Margolis and  
Josh Paull & Family

**Bar Mitzvah of Jack Susman**

Karen and Harry  
Susman

**Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Blumenthal**

Jeff Jeff, Jacob and  
Harvey Blumenthal



**Bat Mitzvah of Cameron Dillon**  
Leisa and Andy Dillon

IN MEMORY OF

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**Roslyn Haikin Being elected President of Beth Israel**

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**80th Birthday of Anita Seline**

Marsha Gilbert  
**Bat Mitzvah of Emily Newman**  
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**75th Birthday of Robert Levinthal**

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### **Ira Gross**

Husband of Lisa Gross; father of Andrew Gross and Alex Gross; brother of Fran & Mark Katzenellenbogen; son-in-law of Jimmy Stelly, and Margaret Stelly; brother-in-law of Jamie Koss, Tina Richard, Craig Stelly, and Vickie & Billy Meche

### **Michal Halevy**

Mother of Amir & Amy Halevy, Ellie & Larry Kalman, and Tammy Halevy; sister of David Tartakover; sister-in-law of Ada and Yanai Friedman

### **Lewis (Buddy) Harris**

Father of Joanne & Bruce Levy, Lynn & Leonard Snyder, and Barney & Pamela Harris

### **Gloria Herman**

Mother of Carl Herman & Randi Faust, Paul & Julie Herman, and Lee & Lisa Herman

### **Roma Hillsberg**

Mother of Glen & Tracy Lerner, and Jodi Lerner

### **Samuel E. Karff**

Father of Rachel Weissenstein, Amy & Amir Halevy, and Elizabeth Seitz; brother of Elana Kohn; companion of Valerie Baron

### **Gloria Katz**

Wife of Bernard Katz; mother of Rusty & Nancy Silverman, Teri & Howard Gerber, and Rick & Georgi Silverman; sister of Sindy & Doug Lillebo, and Arlene & Marvin Nathan

### **Ettienne Leibman**

Wife of Ralph Leibman; mother of Alan & Cathy Leibman, Sharon Leibman, and Neala & Jerry Moch; sister of Athol & Linda Ofsowitz; sister-in-law of Felicia Leibman, Richard Leibman, and Morris & Zanne Leibman

### **Lila Lerner**

Mother of Steven & Nancy Lerner, Seth & Karen Lerner, and Arlis & John Brodie

### **Barbara Levine**

Mother of Joel & Julie Levine, Samuel Levine, and Norman & Mitzi Levine; sister of Elaine Diamond

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Mother of Francine & Jeffrey Todes, Michael & Jackie Gorelic, and Ilise & David Zeiger

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Son of Margit Levitin; brother of Terri Levitin, and Michael Levitin

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Mother of Lewis Linn & Phyllis Cohen, William Linn & Cynthia Mulrow, and Jayme & Darrell Brooks

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Mother of Caren Canady, and Alan & Lisa Lipman

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### **Harold Zeigfanger**

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### WEDDINGS

**Sara Shallenberger Brown and David Harris Fleishman**

Sara is the daughter of Cathy and Martin Brown Jr., Nashville, Tennessee; granddaughter of Milly Stewart, Frankfort, Kentucky and the late Dr. John Stewart; and the late Betty and the late Martin Brown, Nashville, Tennessee. David is the son of Sheri and Robert Fleishman, Houston and Tampico, Mexico; grandson of Carolyn Fleishman, Houston and the late Herman H. Fleishman; Judy Weiss, Houston and Leslie and Sid Weiss, Houston.

**Stephanie Simon and Blaine Rogers**

Stephanie is the daughter of Carol & Ken Simon; the granddaughter of Sheila Schaff & the late Al Simon and Doris Frankel & the late Leland Schwartz. Blaine is the son of Kim & Russell Shanks and Tim Rogers; the grandson of Rose & James Warren and the late Mildred & Harold Rogers.

**Justin Blacher and Mollie Pokrass**

**Jimmy Falik and Cathy Dunn**

**Maria Elena Laas and Scott Gordon**

**Justin Lewis and Michelle Poretsky**

**Erica Robinson and Jonathan Baron**

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**Ashley Stern and Ariel Mintz**

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**Sara Fink and Bobby Garoon**

**Alexa Gould and Gary Yevelev**

**Sunny Krishnan and Graham Bayley**

**Cathy Dunn and Jim Falik**

### B'NEI MITZVAH

#### JANUARY 8-9

**Eliya Fallyn Gibson**

Daughter of Nicole & George Gibson; granddaughter of Arlene & Marvin Nathan; great-granddaughter of Esther<sup>z'l</sup> & Harry Pepper<sup>z'l</sup> and Fannie<sup>z'l</sup> & Alexander Nathan<sup>z'l</sup>

**Whitney Sturm**

Daughter of Sandra & Tim Sturm

#### JANUARY 15-16

**Samantha Lepow**

Daughter of Heather & Jeff Lepow

#### JANUARY 23-

#### Havdalah

**Colin Josephson**

Son of Jill & Michael Josephson; grandson of Barbara & Richard Josephson, Susie & Bob Hale, and Rhonda & Randy Gachman

#### FEBRUARY 5-6

**Chloe Lewin**

Daughter of Felicia & Benjamin Lewin

**Gabrielle Zanger**

Daughter of Dinorah & Jonathan Zange

#### FEBRUARY 12-13

**Samuel Bernard**

**Rubinstein**

Son of Allie Falender & Leon Rubinstein; grandson of Sue & Tom Falender, and Marina Kuno<sup>z'l</sup> & Isaak Rubinstein

#### FEBRUARY 19-20

**Beryt Jessica Scott**

Daughter of Rabbi Adrienne & David Scott; granddaughter of Charlotte & Robert Pollock and Judi & Paul Scott

#### FEBRUARY 26-27

**Ava and Lyla Lorber**

Daughters of Elizabeth & Kevin Lorber

#### MARCH 5-6

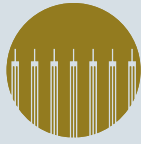
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**Madison Haley Smooke**

Daughter of Jacqueline & Adam Smooke; granddaughter of Sharon & Rick Maloney and Joan and David Lebow; Great-granddaughter of Kerry & Joel Smooke, Pittsburgh, PA

**Please Note:**  
The abbreviation, z'l, stands for the Hebrew words, zichrono/a livracha, may his or her memory be for a blessing.



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Clergy team, International Voices Houston,  
Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, and  
Cantor Daniel Mutlu!  
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