

B'er Chayim Bulletin



July 2021

Tamuz / Av 5781

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From our Spiritual Leader

Dear BCC Membership,

Summer is well underway. The trees are gorgeous with greenery as the mountains and hills provide beautiful landscapes, even from an interstate. That's saying a lot. People have returned to outside activities: biking tours; rafting trips; hiking (I hear West Virginia is not bad); and the pool (or lake). All standard summertime fare.

But it is a new age, and Zoom is still and will continue to be with us for this summer and beyond. One bonus: we can all attend this year's George L. Mosse/Lawrence A. Weinstein Center for Jewish Studies' Twenty-First Annual Greenfield Summer Institute lecture series. Though it takes place in lands far away, it is easily accessible with a good internet connection from July 19-22, 2021. This year's topic is Jews and Politics: America, Israel, Europe. Hosted by the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and taking place in Madison, Wisconsin, this year everyone can attend. For more information and registration, visit their website (jewishstudies.wisc.edu) or feel free to contact me.

The Membership Committee and its Chairman, Brian Lang, met last week to schedule a few congregational get-togethers. More details will be available closer to the event, but this is what we have on the books:

- Friday, August 20: Shabbat under the Stars (my name for it). Bel Air Pavilion with BYOD (bring your own dinner) before the 7:30 pm service. Oneg follows.
- Sunday, August 22: Congregational picnic. Location and particulars are being finalized. 4:30 pm. Save the date.
- Saturday, September 25: Havdalah. Lakewood Community Pavilion.

You might notice we have activities now for July, August, and for the end of September. September should not be shortchanged with only one event. I'll quickly rectify that by adding a few more dates and times that come to mind:



- Saturday, August 28 (yes, it's not quite September, but think thematically): Selichot, 7:30 pm.
- Monday, September 6: Erev Rosh Hashanah, 7:30 pm.
- Tuesday, September 7: Rosh Hashanah morning, 10:00 am.
- Wednesday, September 8: Rosh Hashanah second-day morning, 10:00 am.
- Wednesday, September 15: Yom Kippur begins (Kol Nidre), 7:00 pm.
- Thursday, September 16: Yom Kippur morning, 10:00 am; afternoon, 3:00 pm; Yizkor-Ne'ilah, 5:00 pm.
- Friday, September 24: Erev Shabbat (including Sukkoth and Simchat Torah celebrations), 7:30 pm.

That's the schedule as it stands now. Shabbat Updates will note any changes, as will the website (berchayim.org—home page).

Spring cleaning at the Temple is over. It is summer, after all. We have old prayerbooks that you may have, but other collections are now for library use only.

Hope everyone is enjoying the summer, and I hope to see you soon.

Cantor Richard Bessman

From our President

Dear B'er Chayim Membership,

I hope you are all enjoying the summer. It appears that things are slowly returning to normal. We again can attend services in person, go out to eat, and have a normal summer vacation.

In the spirit of this return to normalcy the B'er Chayim Membership, Outreach, and Activities Committee met last week to plan some community events that we can enjoy together and in person. Part of being a Jewish community is enjoying each other's company and sharing the wonderful Jewish religion and culture.

As Cantor Bessman mentioned in his column, we plan on having an outdoor Shabbat service in August, as well as the

revival of B'er Chayim's annual community picnic. In September we plan to hold an outdoor Havdalah service and campfire.

Of course, we will also celebrate Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur in September in person at B'er Chayim. In upcoming months, assuming COVID is under control, we also plan on resuming Saturday night community movies as well as Oneg Shabbats and potluck dinners. Details for all these activities will be communicated to you in our weekly Shabbat update emails. We hope that you all will come and enjoy these events.

I look forward to B'er Chayim becoming a vibrant community again.

Bruce

**Congratulations to
Michael Gottesman &
Elena Lakovenko on
the birth of their
daughter, Sara Anna
Gottesman, on
January 21, 2021!**

Nefesh Mountain

Live streaming from Facebook

Wednesday, July 28, 2021
5:00 p.m. PDT



We Remember

***Yahrzeits for week ending
July 3, 2021 / 23 Tamuz 5781***

Harry Brock
A. Barnett Brumberg
Celia Isaacs
Myron Lee Cohn
Milton Gerson
Arthur Lazarus
Abe W. Schwab
Lee H. Waingold
Julius Wilner
Mary Schindler Liebowitz
Della Y. Cator
Morris Kline

***Yahrzeits for week ending
July 10, 2021 / 1 Av 5781***

Miriam Goldie Klawan
Sophia Serebryanaya
Rosalind Caplan
Elly Gerson Daymont
Rebecca Pariser
Morris D. Fram
Abraham H. Lewine
Eva Rosenbaum
Julie Frey
Herschel Lange
Clarence Lippel
Max Silverman

***Yahrzeits for week ending
July 17, 2021 / 8 Av 5781***

Edward Gottesman
Matilda Pallik
Fannie Wilner
Ben Lyons
Jack B. Becker
Selma Friedman
Brian Held
Tim Alvarado
Helen Schreiber
Rachel Waingold
Harold Yankelevitz



***Yahrzeits for week ending
July 24, 2021 / 15 Av 5781***

Leah Seiff Bauer
Sidney G. Holstein
Alice Sack
Samuel Boorda
Benjamin Levin
Robin Jean Schlosburg
Lena Gula Shear

***Yahrzeits for week ending
July 31, 2021 / 22 Av 5781***

Sam Olin
Sandra Shapiro
Dave Klein
Samuel Wolfe Kaplan
Flora Abrams
Esther Lavine
Hadassah E. Lefkowitz
Eliot Elliott
Seymour Roy Scher

***Yahrzeits for week ending
August 7, 2021 / 29 Av 5781***

Maxine Feigus
Samuel Kaplon
Rita Millenson Lowenberg
Martha L. Peskin
Benno Rapp
Julius Schindler
Merrill Flora Bernstein
Bertha Goldfine Cohen
Minna R Millenson
Pearl Marks
Irmel Steinberger
Mina Judenberg

Yahrtzeits

Donor

Paul Snow
Ferne Kaplon Jaffe

In memory of

Charlie Snow
Frank Kaplon

July 2021

Saturday, July 3	10:00 a.m.	Shabbat Service
Friday, July 9	7:30 p.m.	Erev Shabbat Service
Saturday, July 10	10:00 a.m.	Torah Study
Friday, July 16	7:30 p.m.	Erev Shabbat Service
Saturday, July 17	10:00 a.m.	Torah Study
Friday, July 23	7:30 p.m.	Erev Shabbat Service
Friday, July 30	7:30 p.m.	Erev Shabbat Service

July 19-22: George L. Mosse/Lawrence A. Weinstein Center for Jewish Studies' Twenty-First Annual Greenfield Summer Institute lecture series. Visit jewishstudies.wisc.edu for more information.



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Endowment Fund

Western Wall Memorial located near the entrance of the sanctuary. Contact Gayle Griffith for more information.

Yahrzeit Plaques

Cost of plaque - \$250
Preparation of plaque – about one month.
Contact Gayle Griffith for more information.

Tree of Life/Memory Leaves

Cost of leaf - \$40
Preparation of leaf – about two weeks.
Contact Gayle Griffith for more information.

Building Fund

Contributions may be given for general building use (subject to Board approval).
Contact Debbie Lang for more information.

Jane & Leonard Schwab Jewish Life Fund

This fund is used to enhance Jewish life in the B'er Chayim community. Please make checks payable to the "Jane and Leonard Schwab Jewish Life Fund."

eBay Fundraising Project

<https://www.ebay.com/str/berchayimtemple>
Do you have items you would like to sell on eBay with the proceeds benefitting B'er Chayim? Contact Larry Brock or Brian Lang for more information.

Cantor's Discretionary Fund

Contact Cantor Bessman for more information.

