

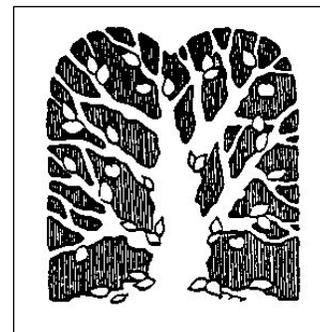
B'er Chayim Bulletin

May 2022

Iyar 5782

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Dear BCC Membership,

First, let's recap the last month of April. I recently re-realized that many are not able to read the Shabbat Updates. Thankfully, the building is now open and masks are optional. We hope everyone will be comfortable returning to the Temple.

That certainly seemed to happen at our Passover seder. It was a great success. Over forty people attended, taking part in the traditional prayers, eating delicious food, and we were all glad to be back. Thanks to all who made the evening the success that it was, most notably Gayle Griffith and Debbie Lang. The Board's matching fund drive for the World Union for Progressive Judaism's (WUPJ) Ukraine Emergency Support Program has ended. Thank you to those who were able to donate. Unfortunately, the emergency continues.

Now that Passover and the seders are behind us, we can focus on upcoming plans for congregational get-togethers. Ken Levitt, the Second Vice-President, heads the Temple Activities department. Last year, we had some fine plans that went unrealized. This year should be different; COVID is no longer the pandemic it was, at least in this country. Here's hoping it stays that way! We will try to schedule events when everyone is in town. What and when?

We're thinking of something for everyone: cultural, culinary, social, and some much-needed fun for our community. The weekly Shabbat Update (emailed Wednesday mornings) and the Home page of the temple website (www.berchayim.org) are always good places for finding current temple-related information.

I heard that several people are interested in visiting Israel. I have several ideas about places to visit, but I would like to hear from everyone. Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa, Masada (and the Dead Sea), Safed are must-sees. The Negev and Eilat are also possibilities. Ten or eleven days seems to be a reasonable time. We are aiming for Spring 2023. Please share with me your thoughts while itineraries are flexible.

I look forward to seeing everyone in the Temple, at one of our events, or even on Zoom.

Cantor Richard Bessman



Some facts that make me proud to be Israeli/ by Tal Cohen-Inbar

This week, Israel marked the memorial of the fallen soldiers and victims of the terror on Tuesday the 3rd, and on the next day, Wednesday the 4th, celebrated Israel's Independence Day. Here are some facts that make me proud to be a part of the Israel nation:

1. In bad times everyone helps one another and volunteers to help to the other person in anyway they can.
2. Israel is one of the five countries that put special symbols on their paper money that blind people will be able to recognize.
3. Waze - the first social navigation app- was invented by three Israeli guys in 2008: Ehud Shabtai, Amir Shiner, and Uri Levin.
4. The technology used by NASA to send videos from Mars to earth was developed by Israeli scientists.
5. Israel has 12 Nobel prizes: five in chemistry, three in economics, three for peace, and one in literature.
6. Israel leads with academic degrees compared to the population size. It is also true for doctors and start-ups companies.
7. Last, but very important, food: pittim, bamba, cherry tomatoes and shkedei marak (soup nuts) - all invented in Israel.

Happy Independence Day Israel!!



Yahrzeit Donations

Donor

Ellen Rabinowitz
Paul Snow
Ferne Jaffe
Lance Glasser
Elizabeth A Weisman
& William Hirsch
Robert Weisman
George & Tina Beneman

Elena Manasse
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In Memory

Etta Klein
Gary Snow
Helen Kaplon, Frederick Kaplon
Alan Glasser
Molly Baron Eva Weisman
Elizabeth B Weisman
Elizabeth Baron Weisman
Barnett & Belle Beneman
Milton & Margaret Beneman
Edward & Ethel Gottesman
George Beneman
Robert Gottesman
Jean & Joseph Mazzucca
John F Markley

May 2022

Thursday, May 5	7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Adult Hebrew/Education
Friday, May 6		No Service
Saturday, May 7	10:00 am	Shabbat Morning Service
Thursday, May 12	7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Adult Hebrew/ Education
Friday, May 13	7:30 pm	Erev Shabbat Service
Thursday, May 19	7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Adult Hebrew/ Education
Friday, May 20	7:30 pm	Erev Shabbat Service
Saturday, May 21	10:00 am	Torah Study
Thursday, May 26	7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Adult Hebrew/ Education
Friday, May 27	7:30 pm	Erev Shabbat Service



IMPORTANT EVENT – save the day and register:

The Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ) will be holding their Women's Empowerment Awards event on Friday May 13 from 2-7 pm. It will be virtual so anyone can attend. There are three "related to" B'er Chayim women involved in this event. I am a co-chair of the event, along with Lynn (Friedland) Magid Lazar (daughter of Bernice Friedland). Rachel Schwab Schulties, daughter of Tadd Schwab and granddaughter of Jane and Leonard Schwab is one of the honorees. It promises to be an exciting and interesting afternoon. As a sponsor, I have four "household" guest passes. If you would like to attend as my guest, please let me know at bhs@9northcentre.com by May 10. If you want to go ahead and register and pay, you can register here - <https://wrj.app.neoncrm.com/np/clients/wrj/event.jsp?event=128>.

It would be great if we had some attendance at the event.

Here is the schedule for the afternoon

- 2:00-2:20 pm – Welcome message (you may recognize the folks who welcome you!)
- 2:30-3:15 pm – Workshop block (learning sessions with the honorees)
- 3:15-3:30 pm – Break
- 3:30-4:15 pm – Workshop block (another fabulous learning opportunity)
- 4:15-5:00 pm – Break
- 4:30-5:00 pm – VIP private session with Dana Bash
- 5:15-7:00 pm – Honoree celebration with keynote speeches and concert by *Fourtelling*

Keynote by Dana Bash, CNN Chief Political Correspondent.



Fourtelling is an incredible group of women musicians.



Thank you all,
Betsey Hurwitz-Schwab

We remember

***Yahrzeits - week ending
May 7, Iyar 5782***

Howard Feldstein
Milton Beneman
Gary Kaplon
Goldie Klawan
June Minkelgreen
Allan T. Hirsh, Sr.
Dani Levi
George R. Beneman
Abraham Rothstein
Hattie Brock
Seymour Sallerson

***Yahrzeits - week ending
May 14, Iyar 5782***

Esther Meyer
Leonard Parness
Leonard Schwab
Richard Neff
Samuel Yankelevitz
Sara R. Beneman
Aaron Benjamin
Friedland
Henry Sauer
Sumner Hirsch
Louise Sommer
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Henry Manasse
Ida Margolis
Paul Beerman
Sue Kamens Thal
Bob Manasse
Israel Sack
Rabbi Morris Baron
Elke Klein
Sandra Learish
Leonard Bessman

***Yahrzeits - week ending
May 21, Iyar 5782***

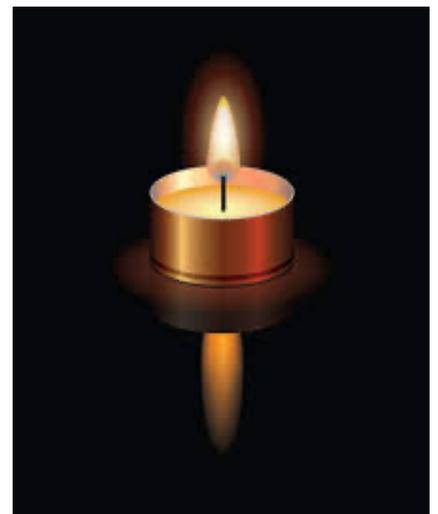
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Tzipe Feldstein
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Irwin Pariser
Jacob Millenson
Rose R. Levy
Esther Weinberg
George Rothstein
Gladys S. Schindler
Israel Schmitt
Stuart Rosenbaum
Minnie Levin
Samuel Mirkin

***Yahrzeits - week ending
May 28, Iyar 5782***

Gertrude G. Kochman
Minnie B. Brumberg
Sylvia R. Schwab
Louis Schoffman
Morton Peskin
Frank H. Kaplon
Ira Dubins
Eileen Moret-
Fliegelman
Joseph Feldstein
R. Larry Bauer

***Yahrzeits - week ending
June 4, Sivan 5782***

Fred Brooks
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Louis Margolis
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Jacob Goodman
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Ways in Which You Can Help B'er Chayim

Endowment Fund

Western Wall Memorial outside of 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 which includes engraving
Preparation of leaf – about 2 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 will be 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 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.

