B'er Chayim Bulletin

April 2023

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Dear BCC Members.

Have you made your reservations for the secondnight Seder? Please confirm by the end of the day. We would like to have an accurate count so that everyone is well-fed. The cost is still(!) \$30 per adult. The traditional four-course meal includes a choice of oven-braised brisket or glazed salmon. Children's entree is also available. Children eleven and older pay only \$10.00; children eleven and under do even better at the most affordable cost of \$0.00. Checks may be mailed to Marilyn Brock, 1001 Yoeman Drive, LaVale, MD 21502.

The communal second-night Seder on Thursday, April 6, begins at 6:00 pm. "A Passover Haggadah" served us well for many years—and has now retired. B'er Chayim recently purchased several copies of "The Open Door: A Passover Haggadah," a book I'm sure will be enjoyed for many years.

Are you coming to hear Cantor Jessica Roskin tomorrow at 10:00 am? Shabbas will be extended for a day as she leads a short service on Sunday. Shabbat HaGadol, indeed!

Last month was remarkable. We had Purim celebrations as expected; however, there were some surprises. For the first time in B'er Chayim's long history, the titles of Best Hamantaschen Baker and First Runner Up Best Hamantaschen Baker were given to the same contestant. An expert panel consisting of three local and impartial judges decided that Debbie Lang's skills reigned supreme. She was truly Esther for the Day, as she was rewarded with both first and second prizes along with the coveted bragging rights as Baker 2023 Extra-extraordinaire.

BCC's showing of "Keeping the Faith" was a resounding success thanks to Ken's coordination, food prep, and cleanup. Others helped, of course, but Doug deserves special praise for movie selection and AV setup. A date for BCC's Book Club discussion of "Woke Antisemitism," by David L. Bernstein is TBD.

We recently received life-saving information from the Allegany County Health Department: "Maryland law allows people to be trained in the use of Naloxone for an opioid overdose. Trainees will learn how to administer Naloxone, a life-saving medication that can quickly restore breathing to a person who has overdosed on opioids. Trainees will also be taught how to recognize the signs and symptoms of an opioid overdose, perform rescue breathing, and care for the individual until emergency medical help arrives. Those completing the training will receive free Naloxone nasal spray medication." Please visit www.prescribechangeallegany.org for more information.

Kol Tuv and Hag Sameach,

Rabbi Richard Bessman



Save the Date I:

April 6, 6:00 pm Community Passover Seder

Save the Date II - Service with Cantor Jessica Roskin - April 2, 10:00 am

Please join us as we welcome spiritual leader candidate, Cantor Jessica Roskin, to B'er Chayim for a weekend visit. Congregants are encouraged to attend an abbreviated, mock Shabbat service led by Cantor Roskin on Sunday, April 2, from 10-11am.

A brunch immediately following will allow members of the community to socialize and ask questions. The visit will be an opportunity for congregants to get a feel for Cantor Roskin as a potential spiritual leader for B'er Chayim, and for her to get a sense of who we are as a community. We hope you are able to attend.

The interesting Civil War piece below was found by our dear friend, Mrs. Gayle Griffith, in one of her Haggadahs and we thought it will be nice to publish it to celebrate Passover:

Throughout the generations and across the globe, from Egypt to Israel to Babylon to Spain to Poland to the United States - in times of peace and in times of war - our people have celebrated Passover by observing the order and rituals of the seder. In this telling of a Passover spent in a Union camp during the Civil War, Joseph A. Joel describes both the festival and the follies of the night.

At dark, we had all prepared and were ready to commence the service. There being hazan (cantor) present, I was selected to read the services, which I commenced by asking the blessing of the Almighty on the food before us, and to preserve our lives from danger. The ceremonies were passing off very nicely, until we arrived at the part where the bitter herb was to be taken. We all had a large portion of the herb ready to eat at the moment I said the blessing; each ate his portion, when horrors! What a scene ensued in our little congregation; it is impossible for my pen to describe.

The herb was very bitter and very fiery like cayenne pepper, and excited our thirst to such a degree that we forgot the law authorizing us to drink only four cups, and the consequence was we drank up all the cider. Those who drank the more freely became excited, and one thought he was Moses, another Aaron, and one had the audacity to call himself a Pharaoh. The consequence was a skirmish, with nobody hurt – only Moses, Aaron and Pharaoh had to be carried to the camp, and there left in the arms of Morpheus.

From "The New American Haggadah," Behrman House, Inc. 1999

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Yahrzeit Donations – April 2023

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B'er Chayim Temple Second Night Community Seder

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Seder Service to begin at 6:00 pm

Traditional four course meal Entrée (select one) Oven Braised Brisket Glazed Salmon Children's entrée available



\$30.00 per adult Children - 11 and up - \$10.00 Children - ages 10 and under - free

Reservations are required

Send your check w/entrée selection by April 1st to Marilyn Brock 1001 Youman Drive, LaVale, MD 21502 Your check is your reservation (cks payable to B'er Chayim Temple) An evite invitation will also arrive via email, and you may reply to that

as well, check must be confirmation of



Remember, your received as a your reservation.

April 2023

Saturday, April 1	10:00 am	Shabbat Morning Services
Sunday, April 2	10:00 am	Cantor Jessica Roskin
Thursday, April 6	6:00 pm	Community Passover Seder
Friday, April 7	7:30 pm	Shabbat Evening Services
Thursday, April 13	7:00 pm	Adult Hebrew
Friday, April 14		No services
Saturday, April 15	10:00 am	Shabbat Morning Services
Monday, April 18		Yom HaShoah
Thursday, April 20	7:00 pm	Adult Hebrew
Thursday, April 20 Friday, April 21	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Adult Hebrew Shabbat Evening Services
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Friday, April 21	-	Shabbat Evening Services
Friday, April 21 Tuesday, April 25	-	Shabbat Evening Services Yom HaZikaron

We remember

Yahrzeits – week ending April 1, Nissan 5783

Toby M. Kaplon Rose R. Luddeke Maxine Rosenbaum Nathan Boorda Clara Hersch Sara Gottlieb Stacia Miller Stella Wertheimer

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Yahrzeits – week ending April 15, Nissan 5783

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Yahrzeits- week ending **April 29, Iyar 5783**

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Yahrzeits – week ending April 8, Nissan 5783

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Yahrzeits – week ending April 22. Nissan 5783

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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 and 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 sell on eBay with the proceeds benefitting B'er Chayim? Contact Larry Brock or Brian Lang for more information.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Contact Rabbi Bessman for more information.

