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HANUKKAH SERVICE SPECIAL KIDDUSH LUNCHEON and CELEBRATION

Shabbat, December 28, 2019 Service: 9:30 AM

Kiddush will follow services



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Kind Thoughts

I am writing this article on November 13, 2019. Since assuming the duties of acting-Rabbi in addition to Hazzan, I have not written many articles pertaining to music, the subject closest to my heart. Somehow, other current topics always arise.

But having experienced the rare musical pleasure of hearing one of the world's greatest violinists, Itzhak Perlman in concert in person in Toledo last night, I was planning to finally write this column about music. The ambience of the packed, incomparable Peristyle Concert Hall echoing with the caressing, delicate tones of Mr. Perlman's virtuoso violin playing imbued my musical soul to its core.

We are blessed here in Toledo to be able to experience such world-class performers in this magnificent concert hall. Perlman was accompanied by Toledo's excellent Symphony Orchestra, which last night was brilliantly conducted by the young rising-star, 30-year old Christian Reif.

But this morning when I awoke, I turned on the TV news as I often do first thing in the morning and discovered that today, November 13th, is a special day. It is World Kindness Day! Who knew? Did you know? Thinking to myself that perhaps this was yet another Hallmark marketing ploy, I researched the date, then decided to change the focus of this article. This is what my research revealed:

"World Kindness Day is celebrated annually on 13th November. On this day, participants attempt to make the world a better place by celebrating and promoting good deeds and pledging acts of kindness, either as individuals or as organizations. It was first launched in 1998 by the World Kindness Movement, an organization formed at a 1997 Tokyo conference of like-minded kindness organizations from around the world."

Wow! What a novel idea! Not! Isn't this what Judaism is all about, תקון עולם - **tikkun olam**, as we state three times daily in the Aleinu prayer – *'l'taken olam – to repair the world?'* Aren't we presently reading in the Torah in Parshat Lech L'cha, that God has chosen Abram to be the father of a great nation with the mission to -והיה ברכה -veh'yey beracha – be a blessing?

By strange co-incidence, this very November 13th morning at our daily minyan, Butch (Sanford) Stein shared this daily message of inspiration from *Heart of Wisdom* by Rabbi Bernard S. Raskas, which I copy with permission from Butch. The story is perfectly demonstrative of the point of this article:

"Ben-Zvi, a former President of Israel, was essentially a scholar...He was called to the presidency from his small cottage in Jerusalem where he had been living with his wife Rachel. On the day he was made president, he returned home at night and found a sentry marching up and down in front of his dwelling. He asked the man what he was doing there. The young sergeant replied that he had been sent by the Chief of Staff as an honor guard before the home of the President.

Rubbing his head in amazement, Ben-Zvi entered the house. It was winter in Jerusalem and the night was cold. After a few minutes, he came out and said, "It is cold tonight. Won't you come in and at least have some hot tea?" The soldier replied, "I cannot leave my post. Orders are orders." Foiled, Ben-Zvi re-entered his house. After a while, he turned to his wife and asked her to make some tea; then he went out again and greeted the soldier. "I have an idea. You go in and have tea, and I will stand outside with your gun and take your post."

Rabbi Raskas adds: "This compassionate regard is typical of the Jew throughout the ages. Through years of oppression, the Jew has acquired a sensitivity to suffering. It may well be said that compassion is the badge of the Jew."

This time of year I find that people generally are nicer, kinder, and more considerate. It is indeed a beautiful time of year, between Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year when people are more compassionate, particularly in the volatile times in which we live.

So, this Hanukkah and every day in 2020, be the best Jew you can be. Act kindly and help to repair the world. As Rabbi Raskas concludes the story quoted above: *"When a person has compassion for humanity it is a sure sign that he is a descendant of Abraham, our father."* (Gemara Betzah 32b)

Have a wonderful Hanukkah and healthy, joyous 2020. Hazzan Ivor Lichterman



Friendship

Nothing in life is as special and essential as a good friend. Especially in this day and age when the virtual world of connectivity has weakened the true bonds of friendship and relationships to short snippets on instant messaging, Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, and the like, friendship seems to have become self-interested and transactional in nature. With the click of a mouse one can "friend" or "unfriend" someone. These arms length social interactions may be convenient, entertaining, and expedient however they rarely create strong bonds that result in moral and spiritual connectivity. They are much more about taking than giving. In a Jewish sense, true friendship is a mitzvah.

As a result of this computer age method of personal connectivity, we are seeing increased individualism, less community involvement, less need of institutions, and certainly less of a connection to religion which is very regretful and unfortunate. This has greatly diminished these traditional communities. True friendship is becoming a rare commodity and as a result the spirituality, self-worth, and moral values that are derived from close relationships are too often diminished. I recently read that over 40% of households contain a single occupant which is a drastic departure from the past. Too often, the World Wide Web is the main avenue of communications and interpersonal activity. It is no small wonder that the divorce rate is up, the suicide rate is at record highs, broken homes are prevalent and loneliness is more common in our society.

Do you remember writing a letter to a friend or family? How many of us still have those cherished letters in a keepsake box at home? Writing a letter took time and thought and really meant something to the writer of the letter and of the loved-one or friend receiving it. Letters almost always came from the heart and usually touched the heart of the recipient. Without deep and sincere friendships, we are more likely to ignore the needs of others. We are more likely to be arrogant and self-centered. True friendship tends to foster a sense of caring, of understanding, of empathy and it palpably increases our moral and spiritual compass.

I was told by my mother, of blessed memory, who often imparted so many wonderful words of advice, that if I had one good friend, a truly good friend that I could pour my heart out to, I should consider myself blessed. In a meaningful friendship we not only derive comfort, connection, and companionship, but we also experience a healthier life, find moral accountability and the intrinsic ability to face our challenges. My mother was spot-on in her words of wisdom.

In Judaism, we are taught numerous lessons on how to treat others. We are guided to do good deeds for others. In Maimonides text, *The Guide for the Perplexed*, he states that "man requires friends all his lifetime" and our clergy also advise us to acquire a sincere friend. Chaim Potok penned in his book *The Chosen*, "making a good friend is not only important but is also requires effort, deliberation and toil. In other words, it is not easy". Like any other moral effort, it does not always come naturally and often requires time. As a result, friends are there in a time of need, in a time of distress, and also in times of joy and happiness. A friend is an emotional partner in our high and lows.

Kohelet teaches us: "Two are better than one because they have a good reward for their labor; for if one falls, the other will lift up his fellow. But woe to him that is alone when he falls, for he has not another to help him up" (4:9-10). This poetic metaphor is very poignant. Our tradition tells us not only to help our friends but to also be there for the less fortunate and the stranger.

When friendship is over the Internet, when it is just about having a good time or pleasure, when it is only about hanging out and it is not impactful or enduring, it is not true friendship. Friendships that are meaningful, filled with moral integrity, sound values and virtue, are essential to our soul and to our emotional well-being. We cannot exist in our life mission without companionship. There is always room in our lives to change and improve relationships and to make the bonds of friendship work and grow stronger. This is the essence of what we are commanded to do as Jews.

There are so many of our mitzvot that deal with the responsibility of friendship and interpersonal relationships. Through self-introspection we always need to make sure that we take the responsibility of friendship to heart. It is the Jewish as well as the human thing to do. We are better for it and our community is better for it too.

Bennett (Buz) Romanoff

December Special Birthdays

Shirley Gerber	Dec. 1st
Esther Kezur	Dec. 2nd
Janet Steinberg	Dec. 8th
Susan Kaufman	Dec. 10th
Jim Rothschild	Dec. 10th
Murray Guttman	Dec. 18th
Lexi Schlicting	Dec. 31st

December Special Anniversaries

Sharon & Sanford Stein

Dec. 28th

50 years

Your Generosity Helps Many in Need

Jewish Family Service thanks B'nai Israel congregants for their generous participation in this year's High Holiday Food Pantry Drive. Many bags of paper products and personal care items were donated. Your generous contributions will serve the needs of our community neighbors for quite some time. JFS gives food, fresh produce, paper goods, and personal care items to individuals who struggle financially and helps them discover other resources to address on-going needs. Your support is vital to the operation of the food pantry and greatly appreciated! Thank you to everyone who made the food drive possible, including Kim Brody who helped with

organization and Hope Davis who help transport donations from CBI to JFS.

TODAH RABAH!

5780 Kol Nidre Appeal Donors

October 11 - November 15, 2019

Adrienne Goldberg Alison Sherman Alan Mintz & Cindy Palmer

Attn: WCBI Book Club Members

Thanks to the generosity of the Women of CBI, we have been able to order one copy of each of this year's book selections. The books are housed in the synagogue office. You are welcome to check out a book for a two week period by signing out the book using the form located in a red box at the office. We are limiting the check out period to two weeks so that all book club members may have access to the materials.

If you borrow a book, please return it to the office rather than passing it along to another member so that we may keep track of it.

We will be ordering the cookbook and the book for the joint book club program when those books are selected.

As always, we have selected books that are available through the Toledo Lucas County Public Library system either by books that are available in Toledo or through the Library's SearchOhio feature.

Happy Reading, Carol and Sharon

The CBI office will be CLOSED

Tuesday, December 24, 2019OffiWednesday, December 25, 2019Christmas DayWednesday, January 1, 2020NewMonday, January 20, 2020MLI

Office Closes at 12:00 PM as Day New Year's Day MLK Day

January Special Birthdays

Nathan Danziger	Jan. 1st
Ben Coleman	Jan. 7th
Stuart Goldberg	Jan. 17th
Steven Kaufman	Jan. 23rd
Jerry Lacker	Jan. 29th

Mazel Tov

• Grandparents Diane & Jim Perlman on the birth of new granddaughter Lily Marie Perlman.

• Parents Marissa & Justin Steinhauser on the baby naming of their daughter, Eliana Jolie at Congregation B'nai Israel on November 30, 2019. Proud grandparents are Naomi & Sol Zyndorf.

• Fagie & Eli Benstein on the engagement of their granddaughter, Jessica Sydney Morse to Ethan Mustoff. Proud parents are Andi & Gordon Morse.

• Kathryn Linver on the bar mitzvah of her grandson, Charlie Steed.

Alix & Dick Greenblatt on the bar mitzvah of their grandson, Cayden Greenblatt.

• Great grandmother Jan Steinberg and grandparents Linda Steinberg and Dan Steinberg on the birth of new grandson Hudson William Steinberg. Proud parents are Melissa & Sam Steinberg.

Todah Rabah

TO OUR KIDDUSH LUNCH SPONSORS:

Fagie & Eli BensteinNovember 23In Honor of Fagie & Eli's 20th wedding anniversary

Naomi & Sol Zindorf November 30 In Honor of the baby naming of their granddaughter

TO OUR SUKKAH BUILD ORGANIZERS:

Bruce Post Bruce has managed the CBI Sukkah Build for the past 10 years Tom Kasle Tom shopped for and prepared the coffee, bagels and donuts Patrick Pilmore

Patrick assisted throughout, including with all the heavy lifting

Condolences

OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILY MOURNS THE LOSS OF:

HELEN BOXENBAUM

Wife of Julius z"l, mother of Deborah (John) Sampson, Michael (Alyse) Boxenbaum, and Kenneth Boxenbaum.

PEGGY DAMRAUER

Wife of Marvin, mother of Gary (Ilene) Damrauer, Tom (Diane) Damrauer, Carol (Jack) Viren.

DAVID HORWITZ

Son of Miriam z"l & Newell z"l, brother of Barbara (Harvey) Pearlman and Judith (Bruce) Dalton.

May the families be comforted amongst all who mourn in Zion.

Hanukkah begins Sunday Evening, December 22, 2019

Phyllis J. Diamond Judaica Gift Shop "Hanukkah Shopping Spree Days"

FREE Chocolate Gelt for each \$20 spent in the Gift Shop during Hanukkah Shopping Spree Days



Shopping Spree Days Dates/Hours:

Sunday, December 8 Thursday, December 12 Sunday, December 15 Tuesday, December 17

9:00 AM - 12:30 PM 11:30 AM - 2:30 PM 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM





- HANUKKAH GIFT BAGS
- GORGEOUS JEWELRY
 CHILDREN'S TOYS & GIFTS
- HANUKKAH PAPER STRAWS
- CANDLES
- WRAPPING PAPER
- WHIMSICAL MENORAHS
- LED "GLOW" MENORAHS
- HANUKKAH DECORATIONS
- TRADITIONAL MENORAHS
- LATKE DISHES
- LATKE SERVING UTENSILS
- CONDIMENT SERVERS
 and much, much more!

For alternate times, please contact Roanne Katzman at 419.882.2111.

SAVE THE DATE CBI Women's Weekend October 23-25, 2020

The Journey Continues...



SIMCHATREE

The following leaf has recently been added to the Congregation B'nai Israel Simcha Tree:

IN HONOR OF THE SPECIAL BIRTHDAY OF

WILLIAM "BILL" RICHMAN

NOVEMBER 13, 2019

Gift from Ellie & Bill Niejadlik Miriam Beckerman Sharon & Sanford Stein Judy Gersz Judy & David Weinberg



leaves.

\$100 Donation

Stones: \$1,000 Donation

The Women of CBI & Cong. Etz Chayim Sisterhood ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

November 10 - 11, 2019

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR CBI & SHOMER EMUNIM RUMMAGE SALE VOLUNTEERS



Alice Applebaum **Richard Baron** Anne & Jeff Bauer Miriam Beckerman Roz Berg Bonnie Berland **Emmie Brody** Hannah Chernow Leah Conner Nancy Danziger JoAnn Day Ellen Federman Daria Gan Luann & Bill Garber Judy Gersz Nancy Goldberg

Lila Goldman Sharon Hoicowitz Nancy Jacobson Mark Jacobson Moisha Jones Tom Kasle Angela & Jack Katz Roanne Katzman Sheila Odesky Sheila Painter Sheli Plosscowe Sheila & Bruce Post Susan Richards Ann Rosenberg Howard Rosenberg

Marlene Russell Judy Sheinbach Joel Sheinbach Phyllis Shoched Cathy Sperling Sharon Stein Doris Steinberg Kim Strole Sandy Traugott Andrea & Gary Urie Judy Weinberg David Weinberg Fran Weinblatt Ellie Williams Sue Wilson

Women of CBI 2019-2020 HONOR ROLL MEMBERS

Eta Auslander Alice Applebaum Anne Bauer Miriam Beckerman **Fagie Benstein** Nancy Beren **Bonnie Berland** Eva Bernblum Arlene Brookenthal Ellen Chabler Leah Connor Nancy Danziger Harriet Davis JoAnn Day Ellen Federman Lori Friedes

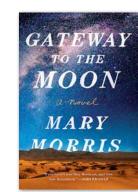
Jo Jo Fruchtman Luann Garber **Shirley Gerber** Judith Gersz Adrienne Goldberg Nancy Goldberg **Eleanor Golding** Marian Goldner Feiga Gudelman Ellen Hively **Curtis Mae Jones** Jan Kasle Angie Katz Roanne Katzman Susan Kaufman **Esther Kezur**

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Darlene Portnoy Sheila Post Bette Raymond Susan Richards Carol Richman Nora Romanoff **Bonnie Ross Cheryl Rothschild** Arlene Rubinoff **Rene Rusgo** Marlene Russell Arlene Russell **Bobbye Shall Phyllis Shoched** Sandy Soifer Kathryn Southard

Cathy Sperling Sharon Stein Doris Steinberg Kim Strole Sandy Traugott Patti Tuschman Andrea Urie Judy Weinberg Fran Weinblatt Ellie Williams Sue Wilson Jolene Yourist Dena Zack Irina Zaurov

WOMEN OF CBI BOOK CLUB: "Gateway to the Moon" by Mary Morris Tuesday, December 17, 2019 10:30 AM at CBI



In 1492, the Jewish and Muslim populations of Spain were expelled, and Columbus set sail for America. Luis de Torres, a Spanish Jew, accompanies Columbus as his interpreter. His journey is only the beginning of a long migration, across many generations. Over the centuries, de Torres' descendants travel from Spain and Portugal to Mexico, finally settling in the hills of New Mexico. Five hundred years later, it is in these same hills that Miguel Torres, a young amateur astronomer, finds himself trying to understand the mystery that surrounds him and the town he grew up in.

Entrada de la Luna is a place that holds a profound secret--one that its residents cannot even imagine. It is also a place that ambitious children, such as Miguel, try to leave. Poor health, broken marriages, and poverty are the norm. Luck is unusual. When Miguel sees a flyer

for a babysitting job he jumps at the opportunity and begins work for a Jewish family new to the area. Rachel Rothstein is not the sort of parent Miguel expected. A frustrated artist, Rachel moved her family from New York in search of a fresh start, but so far New Mexico has not solved any of the problems she brought with her. Miguel loves the work, yet he is surprised to find many of the Rothstein family's customs similar to ones he's grown up with and never understood.

Interwoven throughout the present-day narrative are the powerful stories of the ancestors of Entrada's residents, highlighting the torture, pursuit, and resistance of the Jewish people. A beautiful novel of shared history, Gateway to the Moon is a moving and memorable portrait of a family and its journey through the centuries.

No copies available in the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library; 40 copies SearchOhio.



This service is designed for parents with children up to 5 years of age

Saturday, December 14, 2019 11:15 PM to 12 PM

Kiddush lunch will follow. Let us know if you plan to attend.

Call the office at 419-517-8400 or email kbrody@cbitoledo.org

Jewish Lives, Jewish Learning: CBI Adult Education Series

Join us for our stimulating snack and learn program. NO CHARGE. Everyone welcome.

Sunday morning from 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE WELCOME:

December 15, 2019: Mary Bilyeu

"Delicious Tastes of Hanukkah"



This Hanukkah, take your taste buds on a tantalizing tour at a sampling session with Mary Bilyeu, The Blade's food editor. Together we'll learn about traditions from far-flung places such as Argentina, Romania, Tunisia, and Australia, while sampling dishes from Greece, Russia, Syria, and Morocco. (There will be dairy, pareve, and vegan options.) Latkes and sufganiyot are fabulous favorites, but there's a world full of other wonderful dishes waiting for you! January 26, 2020: Dr. David Weinberg

"From Pogroms to "Fiddler": American Jews Remember the Old Country"

How did the image of the Old Country filled with poverty and violence turn into a romanticized vision of a world of tradition, family, and song? We will briefly look at how succeeding generations of Jews in America looked at the eastern Europe shtetl from the first generation of immigrants at the turn of the twentieth century to their grandchildren and great grandchildren in the present day.



Dr. Weinberg is an Emeritus Professor of History, Wayne State University

Women of CBI Celebrate Rosh Chodesh SHEVAT & TU BISHEVAT

"Friendship & Fine Wine by the Fireside"

Join us as we come together to socialize in a relaxing atmosphere & sample a selection of fine wines and traditional Tu Bishevat snacks

Monday, January 27, 2020 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Event cost is \$5, payable at the door

THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO THE WOMEN OF ALL LOCAL CONGREGATIONS

TIKKUN OLAM PROJECT:

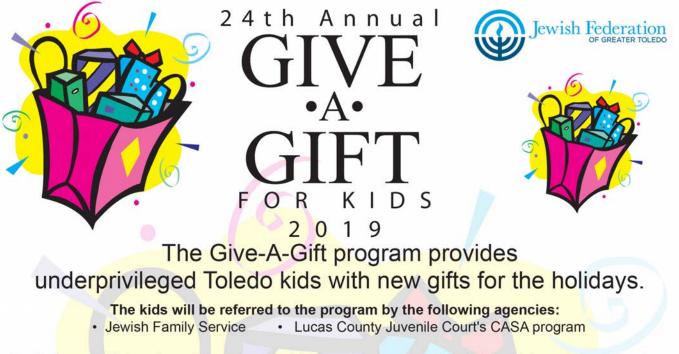
We ask that all attendees bring either personal care items, dinner napkins, or regular size laundry detergent to benefit the Jewish Family Service Food Bank

Please RSVP by January 15th to Jan Kasle jbkasle@gmail.com

This event will take place in the community room at 4704 Park Place Blvd. in Sylvania (off Brint Road and Michaw Road). If needed, rides can be arranged.

One lucky attendee will win a door prize!





Each donor will be given the name and interests of a specific child which makes shopping not only easier but much more fun. We greatly appreciate all the community support for this program each year and hope to be able to count on you again this year. For more information call Wendy Payne at 419.885.3341.

All holiday gifts should be dropped off at Temple Shomer Emunim, 6453 Sylvania Ave. by <u>6 p.m. on December 11</u>

Learning Express for Give-A--Gift purchases.

With the support of Temple Shomer Emunim, Congregation B'nai Israel and Congregation Etz Chayim

Toledo Jewish Leadership is hosted by the Muslim community



On Sunday, November 17, 2019, a "meet and greet" was hosted by the Perrysberg Mosque for Jewish leaders and clergy in Toledo to meet their new Imam. The dinner took place at the home of Razi and Shahida Rafeeq.

David S. Stone Religious School Calendar: Dec. 2019 - Jan. 2020

December

1	Sunday	NO RS - Thanksgiving Break
4	Wednesday	RS 4:30-6:00
8	Sunday	RS 9:30-12:00
11	Wednesday	RS 4:30-6:00
15	Sunday	RS 9:30-12:00
18	Wednesday	RS 4:30-6:00
22	Sunday	NO RS - Winter Break
25	Wednesday	NO RS - Winter Break
29	Sunday	NO RS - Winter Break

January

1	Wednesday	NO RS - Winter Break
5	Sunday	NO RS - Winter Break
8	Wednesday	RS 4:30-6:00
12	Sunday	RS 9:30-12:00
15	Wednesday	RS 4:30-6:00
19	Sunday	NO RS - MLK Weekend
22	Wednesday	RS 4:30-6:00
26	Sunday	RS 9:30-12:00
29	Wednesday	RS 4:30-6:00

Notes from our Principal

The 6th-9th grade students and their parents at The David S. Stone Religious School had the unique opportunity to participate in an incredible interactive genealogy unit led by Cathy Sperling last month. The unit culminated with the students, teachers and parents going to Beth Shalom cemetery. They collected information for an International Archive of Jewish Graves with which Cathy is involved. This was a meaningful and memorable experience for all participants.

We are looking forward to Sharon Lapitsky teaching our 6-9th grade students conversational Hebrew in preparation for their trip to Israel in June. She is also teaching an interactive unit about Israel to our teens. Parents are welcomed and encouraged to attend class with their teens on any Sunday they are available.

Consecration preparation is underway in our younger class. Our students are looking forward to highlighting everything they are learning in the special service taking place on Sunday, February 9, 2020. Please mark your calendars for this wonderful event.

Kim Brody - Principal, David S. Stone Religious School



On November 3, 2019, as part of their genealogy unit with Cathy Sperling, our teen religious school students and their parents participated in a group project to document Jewish gravestones at Beth Shalom cemetery. Photos were taken and engraved names and dates were crossreferenced against existing information for accuracy. These photos and information will eventually be available through various Jewish genealogy websites.

BITUSY & KADIMA • Grades 6 - 12



December Lounge Night

"Hanukkah White Elephant" Wednesday, December 11, 2019 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

January Lounge Night

Wednesday, January 15, 2020 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

January Snow Event

Sunday, January 26, 2020 after Religious School at 12:00 PM

The David S. Stone Religious School continues at NO COST to Families

We are happy to continue offering tuition-free religious education to all students of the David S. Stone Religious School

This is made possible through the generosity of an anonymous donor who has established a fund at the Toledo Jewish Community Foundation to pay for tuition. We expect to continue providing religious school at no cost to Congregation B'nai Israel and Congregation Etz Chayim students.

HELP SUPPORT OUR BITUSY & KADIMA KIDS 2020 ISRAEL TRIP FUNDRAISING EFFORTS



- Snow Shoveling
- Garage Cleanup
- Moving items to Attic or Basement
- Computer Help
- Silver Polishing
 and much more!



Contact Kim Brody at Kbrody@cbitoledo.org to hire a Mensch for household tasks.

HONORS FOR SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES

Being called to the bimah is a great way to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, or other occasion. If you are observing a yahrzeit and would like an aliyah, please let the office know by Thursday of that week by calling 419.517.8400. This insures your name is included in the weekly Torah Guide. If you are unable to contact the office, please find our gabbai, Jerry Russell, at services on Saturday morning.

WE NEED YOUR PHONE NUMBER...

If you have disconnected your home land line please call the office with your current cell phone number. Thank you!

Jewish Family Service

Bereavement Group for Spousal Loss

One of the most important factors in healing from grief is the support of other people. Having support from your family, friends, or a community of others who have also experienced grief allows you to

feel that someone else "gets it". Being able to share your story or your feelings is vital to the healing process.

Tuesday, December 3, 2019

4:00-6:00 PM

at the Sekach Building - Plan to grab a bite after

Contact Shari Bernstein at 419.724.0408 or with questions.

SNOW BIRDS.....

Please let us know your winter address and when you will be returning to the Toledo area. Call the office at 419.517.8400.

YAHRZEIT NOTICES...

If you are not currently receiving a yahrzeit notice for a friend or relative and would like one sent annually, please call the office. We will need the English date the person passed away.

PLEASE LET US KNOW.....

If you or someone you know is in the hospital or would appreciate a visit at home from the Hazzan, please call the office at 419.517.8400. Due to HIPAA privacy regulations, hospitals do not notify clergy if a member is admitted.

SHARE YOUR SIMCHA.....

if you have a simcha or special news that you would like to share with our congregation, we will happily post details and photos in the CBI bulletin, if space allows. Deadline is the 15th of the previous month.



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Contributions

\$500.00

\$65.00

\$100.00

\$100.00

\$1000.00

Minimum/Mitzvah Contributions are \$10.00

Please note: More generous contributions will be indicated in the following ways:

- * denotes B'nai Mitzvah
- ** denotes Chai
- *** denotes Silver
- **** denotes Double Chai

\$25.00 \$36.00



A box denotes Gold A bold box denotes Platinum

A triple box denotes Platinum Chai \$180.00+

\$50.00

All contributions listed are before November 17, 2019

Building Beautification Fund

YAHRZEIT:

Homer Schroeder **Richard Schroeder** Barbara Fisher*** Dr. Norman Fisher

Camp Ramah Fund

IN HONOR OF:

In Honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Charlie Steed Alix & Dick Greenblatt**

Cantor's Discretionary Fund

IN APPRECIATION:

Cantor Lichterman, In Appreciation Phyllis Shoched****

YAHRZEIT:

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 NO Religious School (Thanksgiving Break) NO Morning Service	2 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	3 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	4 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM 4:30 PM Religious School	5 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	6 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	7 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Service Parsha Vayeitzei
DECEN					4:46 PM Light Candles	5:50 PM Shabbat Ends
9:00 AM - 12:30 PM Hanukkah Shopping Spree Gift Shop Open 9:30 AM Religious School	9 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	10 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	11 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM 4:30 PM Religious School	12 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM 11:30 AM - 2:30 PM Hanukkah Shopping Spree Gift Shop Open	13 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	14 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Service Parsha Vayishlach 11:15 AM - Tot Shabbat
Religious School			6:00 - 7:30 PM BITUSY Lounge Night	12:00 PM JSS Latke Lunch	4:47 PM Light Candles	5:51 PM Shabbat Ends
15 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM Hanukkah Shopping Spree Gift Shop Open 9:30 AM Religious School	16 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	17 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM Hanukkah Shopping Spree Gift Shop Open	18 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM 4:30 PM Religious School	19 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	20 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	21 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Service Parsha Vayeishev
10:30 AM Adult Ed: Mary Bilyeu		10:30 AM WCBI Book Club			4:48 PM Light Candles	5:53 PM Shabbat Ends
22 HANUKKAH - 1st Candle NO Religious School (Winter Break) NO Morning Services	23 HANUKKAH - 2nd Candle Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	24 HANUKKAH - 3rd Candle Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM 12:00 PM CBI Office Closes	25 HANUKKAH - 4th Candle CBI Office Closed 9:30 AM Morning Service NO Evening Service	26 HANUKKAH - 5th Candle Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	27 HANUKKAH - 6th Candle Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM 4:52 PM	28 HANUKKAH - 7th Candle 9:30 AM SPECIAL HANUKKAH SERVICE & DELUXE KIDDUSH Parsha Mikeitz 5:57 PM
29	30	31	NO Religious School	2	Light Candles	Shabbat Ends
HANUKKAH - 8th Candle NO Religious School (Winter Break) NO Morning Services	Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	1 NEW YEAR'S DAY CBI Office Closed 9:30 AM Morning Service NO Evening Service NO Religious School	Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Service Parsha Vayigash
					4:58 PM Light Candles	6:03 PM Shabbat Ends
5 NO Religious School (Winter Break) NO Morning Services	6 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	7 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	8 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	9 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	10 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	11 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Service Parsha Vayechi
					5:05 PM Light Candles	6:09 PM Shabbat Ends
12 9:30 AM Religious School	13 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	14 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	15 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM 6:00 - 7:30 PM BITUSY Lounge Night	16 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	17 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	18 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Service Parsha Shemot
					5:13 PM Light Candles	6:17 PM Shabbat Ends
19 NO Religious School (MLK Weekend) NO Morning Services	20 MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY CBI Office Closed 9:30 AM Morning Service	21 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	22 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	23 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	24 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	25 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Service Parsha Va'eira
	NO Evening Service				5:21 PM Light Candles	6:33 PM Shabbat Ends
26 9:30 AM Religious School 10:30 AM Adult Ed:	27 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM 7:00 PM Women of CBI Rosh Chodesh	28 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	29 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	30 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	31 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	
Dr. David Weinberg 12:00 PM BITUSY Snow Event	Shevat Event				5:30 PM Light Candles	

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KINDLING THE HANUKKAH LIGHTS:

• The candles in your Menorah should be placed in a straight row, since no day of Hanukkah is superior to another. Only the Shammes, used to kindle the others, should stand higher than the others or separate. The Hanukkah lights should be kindled after dark (except on Friday night).

• This is the proper way to kindle the lights: On the first night place one candle in the Menorah at the extreme right. On the other seven nights, place the candles from right to left, adding one each night. Light the Shammes. With it light the candle on the left first.

• On Shabbat Hanukkah, the Hanukkah lights are kindled before the Shabbat candles. It is customary to use extra-long Hanukkah candles, since the fulfillment of the mitzvah requires that the Hanukkah lights burn for at least one half hour after dark.

• Before lighting the candles, each night two brachot (blessings) are recited, except for the first night when the following three brachot are recited.

On all nights light the Shammes and recite:



בּרוּך אַתַּה יֵי אֵלֹהֵינוּ מֵלֶך הַעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קדִשָּׁנוּ בִּמִצְוֹתֵיו וִצְוַנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֵׁל חֵנְכָּה: (אַמֵן)

Barukh attah adonai, eloheinu melekh ha-olam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu l'hadlik neyr shel hanukkah. Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has sanctified us by Thy commandments, and commanded us to kindle the lights of Hanukkah.

בָּרוּך אַתָּה יִיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶך הָעוֹלָם שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לַאָבוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָמִים הָהֵם בַּזִּמַן הַזֶה: (אָמֵן)

Barukh attah adonai, eloheinu melekh ha-olam, sheh-asah nissim la-avoteinu ba-yamim ha-heim ba-z'man ha-zeh. Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has performed miracles for our fathers in days of old, at this season.

The following blessing is added and recited on the first evening only or whenever candles are lit for the first time:

ַבָּרוּך אַתָּה יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶך הָעוֹלָם שֶׁהֶחֶיָנוּ וְקִיְמָנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לַזְמַן הַזֶּה: (אָמֵן)

Barukh attah adonai, eloheinu melekh ha-olam, she-he-che-yanu, v'ki-y'-manu, v'hi-gi-anu, la-z' man ha-zeh. Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has kept us in life, and sustained us, and enabled us to reach this season.