

Congregation B'nai Israel

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Judaism

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153 Years of
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March 2020 : Adar/Nisan 5780

GALA PURIM CELEBRATION!

CBI PURIM DINNER AND SPIEL

**Monday evening,
March 9, 2020**

**6:00 PM - Dinner
7:00 PM - Purim Spiel
8:00 PM - Traditional
Megillah Reading**



NO CHARGE • Donations Gratefully Accepted

Please RSVP by Monday, March 2, 2020 by calling the office at 419.517.8400

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Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m., 5:45 p.m.
Saturday 9:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:30 a.m.
(when Religious School is in session)



HANNAH ESTER CHERNOW

**HANNAH CHERNOW
WILL BE CALLED
TO THE TORAH
AS A BAT MITZVAH**

**SATURDAY,
MARCH 28, 2020
AT 9:30 AM**

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Music of Life

For the first time in the nine years that I have been in Toledo, I attended two powerful concerts just days apart, both by the Toledo Symphony Orchestra at the beautiful Peristyle in the Toledo Museum of Art. As I researched the historical juxtaposition of these two vastly different musical presentations, I realized what a rare privilege they afforded local audiences to experience both these inspirational artistic works. I could not pass up an opportunity to write about them in my column while the impact is still upon me.

The first concert, on February 15th in honor of Valentine's weekend, was the German composer Carl Orff's famous *Carmina Burana*, presented in conjunction with BGSU choruses, a children's choir, 3 soloists, and 6 high school-aged dancers from the Toledo Ballet. At one point during the concert, 288 performers were on stage, an all-time record in the Peristyle's long, storied history.

The second concert, just five days later on February 20th was *Brundibar*, a Holocaust-era children's opera. It was presented in conjunction with the Toledo School for the Arts in commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II and the liberation of Auschwitz. *Brundibar* was composed by Jewish Czech composer Hans Krasa and librettist Adolph Hoffmeister.

Carmina Burana is one of the best-known oratorios of the twentieth century. Its opening, called *O Fortuna*, has been used extensively for movie themes and in advertising. I first experienced it in the 1990 movie *Hunt For Red October*. Its theme of life's constantly rotating Wheel of Fortune is reflected in the War and Holocaust era in which it was first produced. In his concert review in the Toledo Blade on February 15th, music critic Wayne F. Anthony wrote: "It will go down on record as one of the most rip-roaring Valentine's day concerts of all time...the evening proved a spectacle worthy of the best Roman gladiatorial conquests ever conducted in the Peristyle."

As a Hazzan, Orff's work is of particular interest to me. Orff is also famous for his concept of *Schulwerke* according to which music should be presented in conjunction with physical movement. As such, Toledo's concert was an extraordinary audio-visual feast with continuous front stage choreography throughout the 1 and ½ hour concert by the 6 young dancers.

In 1935 Orff (1895 – 1982) came across a collection of hundreds of Latin poems found in a monastery in Beuren (hence *Burana*) near Munich, Germany. Setting 24 of these tavern-like poems on fate and fortune, nature and love to music, Orff wrote: "I have never been concerned with music as such, but rather with music as 'spiritual discussion.' Music is the servant of the word, trying not to disturb, but to emphasize and underline." *Carmina's* debut in June 1937 in Frankfurt, Germany, piqued my interest in a possible Nazi connection. As it turns out, the Nazis admired *Carmina* and its composer, and its 1942 debut at La Scala in Milan, Italy served as a showpiece of Fascist values. I was unable to expose any link between Orff and Naziism. Interrogated by American intelligence after WWII, he was exonerated, and his music has been frequently performed in Israel, unlike Wagner and other notorious anti-Semites whose music has been shunned by Israel and Jews in general.

Simultaneously, while Orff was composing *Carmina*, not far away, in German-occupied Prague, Krasa was working on the children's operetta *Brundibar* about a greedy street musician. Written for a government competition which had to be cancelled because of the War, it contains a subliminal message of hope for children. It debuted in 1942 in the Jewish orphanage where there were many displaced children who had been separated from their parents because of the War. The title is a Czech colloquial term for a bumblebee.

Soon after, most of the children as well as Krasa and the director of that first performance, Rudolph Freudenfeld, found themselves in the Theresienstadt Concentration Camp. Some of the music was smuggled into the camp, adapted to local difficult conditions and first performed there in September 1943. The Nazis used this to their horrendous propaganda advantage and eventually *Brundibar* was performed there 55 times, including a fake showpiece that succeeded in duping the Red Cross. All the while new children were being substituted to replace those that were constantly being deported and murdered in Auschwitz while performances were ongoing! The only time participants were allowed to remove their Yellow Stars (of David) was during performances.

The CBI tour of Europe that I led a few years ago began in Prague, from which on our first day of arrival we visited Theresienstadt. We saw original posters advertising the show, halls where it was performed, rooms where it was

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Congregational Update

It is hard to believe we are half way through the year at B'nai Israel (CBI). All is doing well and a significant amount of activity has been going on. Besides our weekly Shabbat services we have had nonstop scheduled activities.

The Women to CBI, formerly the Sisterhood, have already had two events this year focusing on women's interests and issues. Most recently, they offered a Rosh Chodesh and Tu B'shevat program that was enjoyed by all who attended. They have an active committee that is continuously looking for more events to do in the future. It is wonderful to see this group of dedicated women being involved at CBI. The women also host a book club for those delving into deeper discussion of the book of the month.

Adult Education, under the guidance of Jeff Bauer, has been sponsoring monthly lectures with distinguished guest speakers. They have been well attended and appreciated by the attendees. Last October, we had the world renowned composer Sam Adler who gave a magnificent talk about the Music of the Synagogue. In December, Mary Bilyeu spoke and had a tasting of the foods of Hanukkah. In January, Dr. David Weinberg was to speak however his program was postponed due to illness. Our Scholar in Residence weekend was February 22-23 with guest Rabbi Robert Dobrusin of Ann Arbor who enriched our lives with his vast knowledge of Judaism. Future speakers include Dr. Ken Pargament, Hazzan Ivor Lichterman, and Rachel Slager. All will speak on a variety of interesting subjects. Please make every effort to enrich your lives with the gift of Jewish knowledge which these lectures will provide.

Adult programming, chaired by Helen Michaels, is planning a Jewish Quiz Night at CBI. We did this about 2 years ago and it was a big hit. The committee is looking for congregants to help out with this program since a lot of planning must be done. Last autumn, adult programming held a movie night geared more for families with children. It was well attended. The programming committee is always looking for ideas and is open to any suggestions provided by our congregants.

We have a library committee headed by Cathy Sperling. They are doing a very comprehensive overhaul of our library and plan to modernize and update our book selection. To facilitate the enjoyment of book lovers, we have plans to make the former children's lounge into a reading room with comfortable seating and perhaps a coffee machine to make for a cozy and welcoming environment. Stay tuned as many hours are being spent on this endeavor and we hope to make our library a first class place to provide books with Jewish themes.

We have been getting rave reviews on our Phyllis J. Diamond Judaica Gift Shop since it was redesigned this past year. Even members of the other congregations in Toledo have commented to me how much they have enjoyed our gift shop and how visually appealing it is. If you need any special Jewish oriented gifts for the upcoming holidays or other gift needs, please stop by.

The David S. Stone Religious School provides a variety of Jewish educational programs throughout the year. The consecration ceremony of eight children was the highlight of February! Our BITUSY AND KADIMA kids get together often and attend regional meetings and conventions. They have their ongoing "Hire a Mensch" program. If you have any chores in or out of your house in which you need assistance, please call Kim Brody to schedule a "mensch" to come out to help. All proceeds earned are going to help finance the Confirmation tour to Israel this June.

By the end of March, virtually all of our security measures will be in place. All these changes make CBI a very safe congregation. Prior to our new measures, our local police and security consultants told us that we were already ahead of the curve. For security reasons, it is our policy not to publish what we have done. In the upcoming months, we will be having emergency drills to make sure our congregants know exactly what to do and where to go in the unlikely event that we ever need to evacuate.

CBI is always in need of congregants to help with committees, events, ushering, minyan attendance, and participation in our weekly Shabbat services. If you want to get involved or become active, please let us know and we will be sure to help you find your niche at CBI. You can stay current on events at CBI from our website, our monthly bulletins, weekly emails, The Toledo Jewish News, and of course, our weekly Shabbat Torah guide.

CBI is what we all make it. Your involvement in the congregation is necessary for us to continue as a vibrant and healthy congregation.

Bennett (Buz) Romanoff

March Special Birthdays

Felice Wolff	March 1st
Rina Gudelman Segall	March 5th
Patti Tuschman	March 7th
Rene Levy	March 8th
Angela Bowden	March 14th
Daniel LaPlante	March 18th
Sonja Pinsky	March 20th



Don't forget to
SPRING FORWARD!

Set your clocks
FORWARD 1 HOUR before bed on
SATURDAY, MARCH 7

Daylight Savings Time begins on
SUNDAY, MARCH 8 at 2:00 a.m.

March Special Anniversaries

Roanne & Lannie Katzman	March 6th	60th
Eta & Randy Auslander	March 22nd	50th

Mazel Tov

• Fran & Chuck Weinblatt on the marriage of their son Brian, to Morgan Weisner on March 15. Our own Hazzan Lichterman will officiate the marriage ceremony in Boca Raton, Florida.

Todah Rabah

- A very special thank you to Ann Kisin, Wine Consultant and Sales - Vintage Wine Distributor, for her generous contribution of her time and all the wine for the recent Rosh Chodesh Shevat & Tu B'Shevat "Friendship & Fine Wine by the Fireside" Women of CBI event.
- Hindea Markowicz, in partnership with the Toledo Symphony Orchestra, for bringing the Holocaust-era children's opera production of "BRUNDIBAR" to Toledo in February.
- A very special thank you to Joanne Rubin for sponsoring this year's Purim Spiel dinner.

TO OUR KIDDUSH LUNCH SPONSORS

Judy & David Weinberg February 15
In Honor of David's special birthday and the anniversary of his bar mitzvah

TO THOSE WHO ORGANIZED THE WCBI ROSH CHODESH SHEVAT & TU BISHEVAT PROGRAM "FRIENDSHIP & FINE WINE BY THE FIRESIDE"

Annie Bauer	Bonnie Berland	Jan Kastle
Sheila Odesky	Ann Rosenberg	Cheryl Rothschild

A Special Yasher Koach & Thank You

TO THOSE WHO FILLED IN WHILE THE HAZZAN WAS OUT OF TOWN

Miriam Beckerman	Fagie Benstein	Adam Davis
David Friedes	Helen Grubb	Sue Ann Hochberg
Jack Katz	Howard Rosenbaum	Jerry Russell

Condolences

OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILY MOURNS THE LOSS OF

EDNA ROSEN

Wife of the late Dr. Harvey H. Rosen, z"l and mother of Sharon (Matt) Weisfeld, Lori (Cliff) Berman and Ellen Rosen.

LEO GOLDNER

Husband of Marian Rachel Baron, father of Paul (Linda Bender, Sandra Soifer) Goldner, Harriet (aka Camryn Lee) Goldner, Marcia Alter and Janet (Michael) Killam.

INGE HOROWITZ

Wife of Dr. Phillip Horowitz. z"l, mother of Dr. Mark (Jackie) Horowitz and Dr. Cheryl (Dan) Troy, and sister of Kate Tannenbaum, z"l.

MARGO "PEGGY" STRUENING

Sister of Sue Wilson.

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

NEED A PLACE TO HAVE SEDER?

If you are in need of a place for Seder, please contact Hazzan Lichterman at the office. 419.517.8400.

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.

A Letter to our Membership

Dear beloved members and supporters of B'nai Israel,

Over the high holidays, we announced an opportunity to secure our congregation's future by participating in our Lifetime Membership Program. We are seeking minimum endowments of \$50,000 to Congregation B'nai Israel of Toledo Endowment Fund, managed by Toledo Jewish Community Foundation. Our goal is to increase our balance from \$724,000 currently to more than \$1,000,000 over the next 12 months.

Today, our budget is blessed with a small surplus. But with an aging congregation and Toledo Jewish community, we believe our modest surplus will be gone in the near future. Therefore, we feel it is necessary to take proactive measures to assure our congregation is on sound footing.

Your gift would be structured to yield a 5% annual distribution today to our general budget, which would cover your annual membership dues in perpetuity. This means that you and your spouse would receive the benefit of burial at Beth Shalom should it be your wishes. You also may choose to donate to B'nai Israel for other purposes as you desire. Any gift to our endowment fund is a meaningful mitzvah.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact me. We have formed a committee that will be happy to work with you and answer any questions. Additionally, Arleen Levine is available to work with those who already have funds within Toledo Jewish Community Foundation.

Robert Kripke, Treasurer
Robert.kripke@gmail.com
Cell Phone: 419-690-6120

Religious School Student, Hannah Chernow to become a Bat Mitzvah at the end of March

Hannah Ester Chernow will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, March 28, 2020, at Congregation B'nai Israel.

Hannah is the daughter of David and Rachel Chernow, and granddaughter of David and Judy Weinberg of Toledo, Ohio, and Ronald and Susan Chernow of Jupiter, Florida. She is a loving sister to Sophia.



Hannah is a 7th grader at Ottawa Hills Junior High School where she is an A student and a member of the school band playing saxophone. Hannah enjoys drawing, playing tennis, and spending time with her friends. She is a regular participant in Friday evening and Shabbat morning services.

For her mitzvah project, Hannah is observing the commandment Tza'ar Ba'alei Chayim, not to cause sorrow to animals. By making donations to various organizations such as World Wildlife Foundation and Rainforest Trust, Hannah is hoping to help prevent many species from disappearing forever. She is hoping her friends and family will join in her endeavor to make the world a safer place for all animals big and small.

Hannah is very excited to be able to share her simcha with all her family and friends.



CBI 2020 Summer Camp Scholarship Information

Each year, Congregation B'nai Israel awards scholarships to help subsidize the cost to attend overnight Jewish Summer Camp.

This program works in conjunction with funding offered by the Toledo Jewish Federation. CBI members in good standing with children that attend the David S. Stone Religious School are eligible. Please contact the office at 419.517.8400. to apply.

ATTENTION: FAMILIES WITH STUDENTS GRADUATING THIS SPRING...



We will be featuring our CBI family graduates in the June bulletin. Please send us the student's name, parents' names, where they are graduating from and what they will be doing next. We need all information by Wednesday May 6, 2020.

Please email your info to gmallin@cbitoledo.org.



CBI Library News

WHAT WOULD ENTICE YOU TO USE THE CBI LIBRARY? Feel free to email your answers to any committee members listed below.

The CBI Library Committee has adopted the following mission statement: *The mission of the B'nai Israel library is to create an accessible and relevant resource for our CBI community. We aim to create a welcoming and relaxing environment in which to enjoy the treasures of Jewish written works. The library will feature topical books and themes on a rotating basis and continue to add newer "must-read" books to our collection.*

If you peek in the library, you will see we are "spring cleaning" and getting our shelves ready for some new additions.

To access our catalog of books, go to: <http://www.librarything.com/catalog/BnailsraelSylvania> You can look at our titles by tag (category), title and/or author. If you'd like to borrow a book, be sure to file out an index card with your name, book title and author located in the middle classroom.

Remember, you can earmark contributions to the Library Fund!

Library Committee Members:

Alice Applebaum, Miriam Beckerman, Ellen Federman, Debbie Perlmutter, Sue Richards, Carol Richman, Arleen Russell, Cathy Sperling, Sharon Stein, Sandy Traugott, Judy Weinberg and Sue Wilson

Pesach is just around the corner!

The First Seder is the Evening of April 8

Everything you need is at the CBI Gift Shop

Sundays 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. or by appointment

HAGGADAHS • ELIJAH & MIRIAM CUPS • AFIKOMEN BAGS
SEDER PLATES • MATZAH TRAYS • MATZAH COVERS
CHILDREN'S PASSOVER BOOKS & TOYS and MUCH MORE!



To make an appointment,
please contact
Roanne Katzman at
419.882.2111.

Thank you for supporting, not only the Women of CBI,
but Congregation B'nai Israel.

CBI PESACH KASHRUT ALERT 2020/5780

In Nov. 2015 the Committee on Jewish Law of Conservative Judaism announced a decision permitting kitniyot (ie. rice, corn, legumes) on Pesach.

Here are some guidelines:

1. Fresh corn on the cob, fresh beans may be used on Pesach and purchased during the holiday.
2. Dried kitniyot can be purchased before the holiday bagged or in boxes and checked for hametz. These should not be purchased from bins as the bins may contain hametz.
3. Canned kitniyot must have Pesach certification since canning may involve hametz.
4. Frozen raw kitniyot like corn, edamame, soy beans etc. may be purchased in bags before the holiday and do not require Pesach certification, but should be checked for hametz.
5. Processed kitniyot including tofu require Pesach certification as they may contain hametz.
6. Those who continue the restriction on kitniyot, may eat from dishes and utensils that have come into contact with kitniyot on the holiday, and may eat kitniyot derivatives like oil, etc.

CBI Pesach Services Schedule 5780

The first Seder is on Wednesday evening, April 8, 2020

Wednesday, April 8

Erev Pesach

Morning Service/Siyyum Bechorim 7:00 AM

(Fast of the First Born)

NO Evening service

Thursday, April 9

First Day Pesach

Service of Reaffirmation 9:30 AM

Mincha 1:00 PM

NO Evening service

Friday, April 10

Second Day Pesach

Morning Service 9:30 AM

Evening service 5:45 PM

Saturday, April 11

Chol Hamoed Pesach

Shabbat Service 9:30 AM

Mincha after Special Pesach Kiddush

Sunday, April 12

Chol Hamoed Pesach

NO Morning or Evening Services

Mon.-Tues., April 13-14

Chol Hamoed Pesach

Regular daily services at 7:00 AM and 5:45 PM

Morning service followed by breakfast in the social hall

Wednesday, April 15

Seventh Day Pesach

Morning Service 9:30 AM

Evening Service 5:45 PM

Thursday, April 16

Eighth Day Pesach/Yizkor

Morning Service 9:30 AM

Yizkor 11:00 AM

Mincha 1:00 PM

Looking for Passover food in the Toledo Area?

Sautter's Market in Sylvania has a large selection of hechshered Kosher food for Pesach!

This is a special purchase to provide Passover food to the local Toledo Jewish Community. Please spread the word.

Let's support our local market!



Authorization for Sale of Hametz

I, the undersigned, fully empower and permit Hazzan Ivor Lichterman to act in my behalf to sell all hametz possessed by me - knowingly or unknowingly - as defined by Torah and rabbinic law, and to lease all places wherein hametz owned may be found. This transaction will be in effect for the duration of Pesach. Must be in the office by Wednesday, April 8, 2020. And to this I hereby affix my signature on _____ of _____, in the year 2020.

Signature _____

Telephone _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

My donation is enclosed to the Cantor's Discretionary Fund in the amount of \$_____

Jewish Lives, Jewish Learning: CBI Adult Education Series

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

Please Join Us as We Welcome:



Dr. David & Judy Weinberg

Sunday, March 8, 2020
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

"The Road to Morocco ~ Jews in an Arab Land"

Using Power Point, Judy and David Weinberg will report on their recent trip to Morocco. Special emphasis will be placed on Moroccan cultural sites, arts and crafts, and cuisine and on the central historical significance of Jews in the the country. They will also talk about their encounters with the contemporary Jewish community, which though dwindling in size, maintains a strong and vibrant presence.



Dr. Ken Pargament

Sunday, March 15, 2020
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

"Sacred Moments ~ What Makes Life Worth Living"

Dr. Pargament will focus on what may be one key to a worthwhile life - sacred moments. Drawing on psychological research and practice, we will describe what sacred moments are and how they have helped people live more meaningful lives. We will also talk about how people can cultivate sacred moments in their own lives.

yum, yum, yum! BITUSY Fundraiser Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 15, 2020
9:00 - 9:45 AM

Religious school families and congregants
can enjoy breakfast with the kids before
school starts at 9:30.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

Please call the office to make a reservation.
419.517.8400 or email Kim at kbrody@cbitoledo.org

No Charge.

We will be accepting DONATIONS at the door.

Let's support our CBI teens!



**Please Join Us
As We Welcome
Guest Rabbi:**

Rabbi Joan Friedman

Shabbat Morning,
Saturday, March 14, 2020

Services begin at 9:30 AM

Mincha at 1:00 PM



**CBI'S TOT
SHABBAT
PROGRAM**

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

Saturday, March 14, 2020
11:15 AM to 12 PM

Kiddush lunch will follow.

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

The 2020 Dr. Morton Goldberg Lecture
at the Franciscan Center, Lourdes University
6832 Covent Blvd., Sylvania

“Halacha, Sharia Law, and the Dual Identity of Muslims & Jews in America”

Presented by
Dr. Howard Lupovitch & Mr. Saeed Khan, J.D.

The 2020 Dr. Morton Goldberg Lecture will focus on Halacha and Sharia Law as a window into the ways that Muslims and Jews live with one foot in their own community and one foot in mainstream American society.

Sunday, March 1, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

This event is free and open to the public.

SAVE THE DATE:



Women of CBI Celebrate Rosh Chodesh SIVAN

*Join us for a program
of Body and Spiritual Renewal*

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

More information to come!

WCBI Rosh Chodesh Shevat & Tu B'shevat program "Friendship & Fine Wine by the Fireside" event on January 27th



Nearly fifty women, representing all of our local congregations, had a great time at the WCBI Rosh Chodesh Shevat & Tu B'shevat program "Friendship and Fine Wine by the Fireside". The event included a welcome game, drash, wine tasting (four types), Tu B'shevat snacks and several raffle prizes of wine bottles. All of the wines the women sampled can be found at Mancy's Bottle Shop.

Religious School & Youth Activities

David S. Stone Religious School Calendar - March 2020

1	Sunday	RS 9:30-12:00
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 - 29	NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL - SPRING BREAK	

SAVE
THE
DATE:



Religious School MODEL SEDER at Etz Chayim

Sunday, April 5, 2020

9:30 a.m. – Class at Etz Chayim

Please drop students off at Etz Chayim.

11:00 a.m. – Noon: Model Seder

Parents are welcome to join us!

Notes from our Principal

We are thrilled to welcome back visitors from the “Israel at Your Doorstep” program on March 1st. Yoni Alon will be returning with his friend Roei Elba to visit our students and continue to share his knowledge of Israel with them. This is a continuation of previous visits and skyping with Yoni. He has told of his experiences in the Israeli army as well as discussing current interests of Israeli children through music and games. We are grateful for this incredible program and are looking forward to an additional visit in April.

This year's Purim Spiel and dinner will be on Monday March 9th. We hope to see all of you at this amazing event, “Fiddler on the Spoo”. Please RSVP by Monday, March 2 by calling the office at 419-517-8400.

The Israel trip, planned for the beginning of June for our students, is coming up quickly. This will be the trip of a lifetime for them. They are having conversational Hebrew classes with Sharon Lapitsky and will have more classes prior to the trip.

Please mark your calendars for the Model Seder on April 5. We will be at Congregation Etz Chayim for class and the Model Seder.

Kim Brody - Principal, David S. Stone Religious School

BITUSY & KADIMA • Grades 6 - 12



March Lounge Night

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

BITUSY FUNDRAISER PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, March 4, 2020 9:00 - 9:45 AM

No Charge. Donations accepted at the door.

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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

HIRE A MENSCH

- 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.

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!

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.



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

*The WCBI Women's Weekend will again be at the
Regina Spirituality & Retreat Center at Lourdes
University in Sylvania.*

"The Journey Continues..."

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.

JFS aims to be there to help those experiencing this incredibly difficult life event by creating a safe space to share with other Jewish Toledoans who have also experienced the same loss. We also understand that it might feel intimidating to join a support group. You can always attend and just listen. You won't be asked to speak until you're comfortable and make the decision on your own. You might just feel better surrounded by a community, your community, of others who have some understanding of the depth of your grief.

The first meeting went well. We would love for more people to join us, so please come. Help us provide you with a haven and an outlet to share your grief with others who have also lost their spouses.

**Third Tuesday of every month at the
Sekach Building, 4:00 - 6:00 PM**

Mar. 17	Jul. 21	Oct. 20
Apr. 21	Aug. 18	Nov. 17
May 19	Sept. 15	Dec. 15
Jun. 16		

Plan to grab a bite after. Restaurant location TBD.
Contact Shari Bernstein at 419.724.0408 or with questions.

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Music of Life (cont.)

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planned and rehearsed, their appalling living conditions, original movie footage, and a secret shul...a chilling and unforgettable experience to say the least.

The local performance by the School for the Arts and professional ensemble was a gigantic effort involving some 50 participants. No surprise they received a standing ovation. Between the morning performance for schools and evening concert some 2000 people experienced Brundibar, which no doubt went a long way in informing attendees, especially the children about the Holocaust, hate, and resistance through art and music. As an added highlight Tamar Grinshpon, daughter of Ela Weissberger who played the role of the Cat in all 55 performances, was in attendance and spoke of her mother's experiences. Ela was one of only 132 of 15000 children at Theresienstadt that survived. She passed last year, aleha hashalom.

In the wartime performances, the closing line was changed to: "He who loves justice and will stand by it fears nothing." In the local performance the last line was: "We are marching along, singing our joyous song."

Hindea Markowicz is to be deeply commended for her huge decade-long efforts through the Ruth Fajerman Markowicz Holocaust Resource Center to convince the Toledo Symphony's CEO Zak Vassar to produce this show, the message of which now, seventy-five years later, is again so timely!

How privileged our Toledo residents were to be able to experience these two historical performances, so closely related yet so far apart, at such a high caliber in our own city! Meanwhile back at CBI our own local talent are busy preparing for our always-wonderful Purim Spiel on March 9, this year "Fiddler on the Spoof," under our own talented Irina Zaurov's watchful direction. Don't miss it!

Hazzan Ivor Lichterman

March Jahrzeits

1	5 Adar	Leah Miriam Saks, Wolf Nistel, Leonard Thal
2	6 Adar	Erma Zerner, Patricia Kaminsky, Edward Minsky, Mollie Kahn
3	7 Adar	Nathan Weinstein, David Frankel
4	8 Adar	Bernice Goldstein, Jacob E. Lieberman, Anna Fink Shoffer, Irene Ida Rosenberg
5	9 Adar	Bernard Baker, Barbara Karp
6	10 Adar	Joseph Krawetz, Rose Klein, Wilfred Williams, Sylvia Applebaum, Abraham Mindel, Manuel Goldman
7	11 Adar	Helen Goldhammer, Silka Engel, Jacob Torchin, Gladys Becker
8	12 Adar	Linda Penkower, Joseph Shible, Susana Bernstein, Frances Swolsky
9	13 Adar	Hyman B. Davis, Marcia Greenspoon Liber, Lois Young Eisner, Irene Steinberg, Louis H. Friedman, Irma Rothschild, Anna Jordon, Minnie Bateman
10	14 Adar	Faye Edelstein, Nachoma L. Lichtenstein, Samuel Gallis, Betty Fine, Masha Weissfeld, Jeanette Rosen, Sandra Remer, Gertie Pinsky
11	15 Adar	<i>none</i>
12	16 Adar	Sam Litwin, Irving Scheinbach, Max Rabinowitz, James Fox, William Palman, Mildred M. Friedman, Freida Russell
13	17 Adar	Ida Salzman, Hyman Wallick, Anna Schuller
14	18 Adar	Morris Gersz
15	19 Adar	Gerald Getz, Erwin Hoffman, Theodore Resnick, Lillian Petler, Ralph Harris, Rabbi Morris Adler
16	20 Adar	Max Hersh, Jean Liber, Usher Markowicz, Oscar Soldinger
17	21 Adar	Jennie Bloom, Joe Nemo Wexler, Manuel Tarschis, Albert Burg
18	22 Adar	Marion H. Manoff, Arnold Sells
19	23 Adar	Hazel Stahl, Julius Boxenbaum, Celia Harris, Rose Arnovitz, Rose Scheer, Mollie Jaffee, Boris Meylakhov
20	24 Adar	Doris Goldberg, Ruth Berenson, Helen Wilk, Diane Markowicz, Anna Friedmar, Joel Siegel
21	25 Adar	Anne Kalmanson, Miriam Lewith Bernstein, Sam Goodleman
22	26 Adar	Bertha Tolpin, Harmon Rusgo, Maurice Shuer
23	27 Adar	Jack Gallon, William Schuller, Sam Goodman, Ralph Kwait, Richard Friedmar
24	28 Adar	David Botsch, Leo Lesky, Bernard Schulak, Selma Shore, Beverly Nathan, Ben Levine, Philip M. Smullin, Lottie Belle Sattinger
25	29 Adar	James Steinberg, Sophie Beilowitz, Jennie Herscovitz, Gerald Singer, Robert Manoff, Marta Guinn, William Quiroga, Benjamin Bloom
26	1 Nisan	Evelyn Frankel, Sarah Thelma Rosenthal, Ida Rubin, Lea Steinberg
27	2 Nisan	Samuel Bransdorf
28	3 Nisan	<i>none</i>
29	4 Nisan	Lillian E. Marenberg
30	5 Nisan	Rosa Rosenberg Schwartz, Robert Ringer, Ann Cohen
31	6 Nisan	James Oberlin, Jack J. Remer



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8 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS 9:30 AM Religious School 10:30 AM Adult Ed: Dr. David and Judy Weinberg	9 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM Purim Spiel & Dinner 6 PM Dinner 7 PM Purim Spiel 8 PM Megillah Reading	10 PURIM Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	11 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM 4:30 PM Religious School 6-7:30 PM BITUSY Lounge Night	12 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	13 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM 7:22 PM Light Candles	14 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Service with Guest Rabbi Joan Friedman Parsha Ki Tisa 11:15 AM - Tot Shabbat 8:22 PM Shabbat Ends
15 9:00 AM BITUSY Fundraiser Pancake Breakfast 9:30 AM Religious School 10:30 AM Adult Ed: Dr. Ken Pargament	16 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	17 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	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 7:30 PM Light Candles	21 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Service Parsha Vayak'hel-Pekudei 8:30 PM Shabbat Ends
22 NO Religious School (Spring Break) NO Morning Services	23 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	24 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	25 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM NO Religious School (Spring Break)	26 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM	27 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM 7:37 PM Light Candles	28 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Service Parsha Vayikra HANNAH CHERNOW BAT MITZVAH 8:38 PM Shabbat Ends
29 NO Religious School (Spring Break) NO Morning Services	30 Daily Services 7:00 AM & 5:45 PM					

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Monday - Friday: 7:00 AM, 5:45 PM

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- 1 BITUSY Lounge Night & Elections
6:00 - 7:30 PM
- 8 Siyyim Bechorim Morning Service
(Fast of the First Born) 7:00 AM
Erev Pesach - First Seder
- 9 Pesach - Day 1
Shabbat Service &
Service of Reaffirmation 9:30 AM
Second Seder in the Evening
- 9-10 CBI Office CLOSED
- 10 Pesach - Day 2
Morning Service 9:30 AM
- 11-14 Chol Hamoed Pesach
- 15-16 CBI Office CLOSED
- 15 Pesach - Day 7
Services at 9:30 AM & 5:45 PM
- 16 Pesach - Day 8
Morning Service 9:30 AM
Yizkor Service 11:00 AM
- 19 Community Yom Hashoah
Program at CBI 10:30 AM
- 23-26 CRUSY Regional Convention
- 28 WCBI Book Club - "Spies of No Country"
by Matti Friedman 10:30 AM

David S. Stone Religious School Consecration Ceremony Sunday, February 9, 2020



A special "mazel tov" to our Religious School Consecration Class of 2019-2020 and their families. On Sunday, February 9, these students participated in a meaningful ceremony that began with a warm welcome from Hazzan Ivor Lichterman. The children shared art projects they created and sang Jewish songs, such as "Shema" and "Modeh Ani". Their teachers, Gina Black and Megan Van Dyke presented each consecrant with a personalized certificate and mini Torah scroll. After the parents blessed the students with the "Shehecheyanu" prayer, Rabbi Evan Rubin and Hazzan Lichterman blessed them with a special benediction. We look forward to many more simchas at CBI with these wonderful students and their families.

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