



Message from Rabbi Mitch Levine



Jewish Holidays are generally about something Jews did or that happened to us. Passover is about our liberation from Egypt. Shavuot commemorates our having been given the Torah. Hanukkah celebrates the Maccabean military victory and the miracle of a vial of oil that burned longer than expected. Rosh Hashanah is unusual in that it isn't particularly about being Jewish at all. It marks the birthday of the world. We call it the "Jewish New Year," but really it is simply the "New Year," albeit from the perspective of Jewish culture and tradition. As such, it's less a holiday about being Jewish, and more an occasion to focus on what it means to be human.

In our reading of the Biblical narrative, a fundamental if unwelcomed human tendency is to divide into an "us" and a "them." Cain is a bad guy and Abel is a good guy. Whereas the

Bible seems to offer Cain a choice, the midrash can be less generous. The midrashic Rabbi Ishmael held that all bad guys who ever live are descended from Cain and all the righteous come from his brother, Seth (Abel having been murdered). In this telling, evil and good aren't simply derived from principles to be debated or traits to be discouraged or cultivated. They are intrinsic qualities, and all of us humans are heirs to one or the other. Naturally, we think we're good. The others have to be defeated or at least suppressed. We call this strident, uncompromising mindset, "tribalism." When it infects our politics we call it, "partisanship." It seems to be increasingly prevalent in our society, and it is vexing to no end.

As it happens, the Jewish people have ample experience with tribalism. During the prelude to the American civil war, rabbis grappled with divisive politics, the threat of political violence, and the challenge of unspeakable injustice. In more ancient times we had to learn to adapt our particularistic identity to a pagan (and later to a Christian or Muslim) world far beyond our control.

On the first day of Rosh Hashanah the sermon topic will be on what we can learn from a rabbinic controversy during the civil war period about the issue of mixing synagogue and politics today. On the second day we'll consider how our ancestors balanced a commitment to a universal God with the tolerance demanded by living among those who believed differently. On Yom Kippur I hope to offer advice for what ails our politics from a Jewish perspective.

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Financial Needs for the Holidays – Here's how you can help!

Sponsor the Bimah flowers for the holidays!

Sponsor the Rosh HaShana Luncheon or Break the Fast (\$154 – seeking 10)

Sponsor the Torah Covers & Tallit Dry Cleaning (\$72 – seeking 4)

Sponsor a Lulav and Etrog set for the shul (\$54- seeking 2)

Sponsor someone to attend the Break-the-Fast (\$18 - unlimited)

Contact the CBI office at 252-8660 or admin@bethisraelinc.org if you'd like to help with any of the above.

Special High Holiday Issue coming soon!

An Early Kol Nidre Appeal From President Danielle Tocaben



As we continue to emerge from a challenging few years, including extensive building repairs which are finally complete, alongside the lingering pandemic that changed our lives in so many ways, I believe that opportunities abound at Congregation Beth Israel.

Like organizations of all kinds, the pandemic forced our shul to think differently about the way we do things. Adaptability has been the key to continuity. But while change may be difficult there was never a doubt that our community would move forward with integrity.

We continue to show up in whatever way possible for Shabbat, B'nai mitzvot, holiday celebrations, and for each other. For health and safety, we had to postpone or pare down fundraising events, and yet we maintained financial stability thanks to our devoted and generous members. Our small but mighty staff team managed whatever tasks were put before them, many complicated and unexpected. And our dedicated volunteers never stopped working diligently to further our meaningful work, from ritual, to Chesed, to social action, just to name a few. All of these efforts, and many more unmentioned ones, continue to make our CBI family strong.

We recently kicked off a new fiscal year, with a new board of directors, who participated in a half-day in-person retreat. It was a great bonding experience ahead of the numerous Zoom meetings we'll have, and we identified areas of focus to set some goals for the year. The more we talked, the more the energy grew. There was an optimistic enthusiasm surrounding all the opportunities we identified, and I left that retreat more excited to help lead us through this new year. It seems like all the changes we've endured these past years have opened our minds to even more possibilities for improvement, and made us hungrier to engage on a deeper level.

You'll hear more in the coming months about initiatives we'd like to work on, but for now it's time to turn our focus to the upcoming Days of Awe. So, in the spirit of trying new things in our perpetually changing world, there's one opportunity we've decided to jump on right away. We've all come to expect that on Erev Yom Kippur we will interrupt our High Holiday experience for an annual Kol Nidre appeal. I've learned that the Kol Nidre offering is an ancient tradition, though we used to offer animal sacrifices before the destruction of the Temple. And while an ask for money is certainly more palatable than that these days, it still seems like an intrusive disruption as we begin our fast, and approach perhaps the most reflective and prayerful height of our holidays.

So, this year we're asking each of you to pledge now, before the holidays even begin. We once again ask for 100% participation, in any amount. Your mitzvah helps sustain CBI, as dues alone do not cover all of the shul's expenses. Please consider an increase over the amount you pledged last year, and as always, you have plenty of time to pay your contribution in a lump sum or in increments throughout the year. We are grateful for any amount you can pledge.

If we receive all the pledges by the start of the holidays, then we won't have to interrupt our regularly scheduled Kol Nidre service with an ask for money and a reminder to take your envelope, allowing you to stay more in the moment this year during Yom Kippur!

Please make your pledge today!

- Just send a simple email stating the amount you pledge to: admin@bethisraelinc.org.
- Or if you prefer using the traditional pledge envelopes, those will also be available at CBI to pick up during office hours.

Then sit back and enjoy the satisfaction of knowing that you ended 5782 with this meaningful act to support our shul and ensure that the CBI community will thrive in 5783.

And don't forget to consider ways in which you might like to participate in the coming year. Some of you have found your niche at CBI, and if you haven't, then stay tuned for new opportunities!

Shanah Tovah, and may we all have a good and sweet year!

Danielle Tocaben

Club Havurah Dinner at Piazza

Wednesday, September 21, 5:30pm

Join us for a real Italian feast!

Sit inside or soak up the mountain air on their awesome patio.

Wednesday, September 21 at 5:30pm, Piazza Restaurant, 4 Olde Eastwood Village Blvd, #301, across from the Reynolds Ingles on Rte. 74-A.

RSVP by Thursday, September 15 to Helene Nathanson at club.havurah@gmail.com



Some Club Havurah Q & A's

WHAT IS CLUB HAVURAH???

Q: What is the purpose of CBI's Club Havurah?

A: Club Havurah was created to organize social events for members of CBI and friends of CBI.

Q: What happened to the previous group, Hazak?

A: Club Havurah has replaced Hazak, but will still organize the popular monthly dinners, as well as other fun activities.

Q: I've got some ideas of activities, holiday celebrations, etc, which the congregation might enjoy. How do I share them?

A: Just write to us at: Club.Havurah@gmail.com. We'd love to hear from you!

Q: Is there a fee to "join" Club Havurah?

A: No. It's one of the many free programs offered to CBI members and friends.

Q: Who's on CBI's Club Havurah Committee, and how can I join?

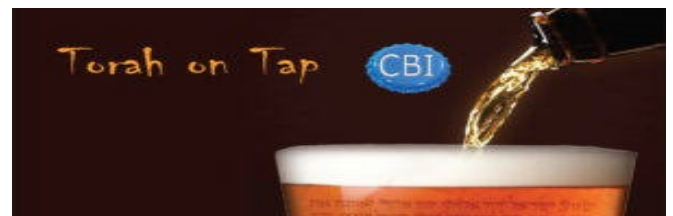
A: Co-Presidents are Helene Nathanson and Gail Clement. Current members of the planning committee are Carolyn Kayne, Pam Goldschmidt, Wendy Feinberg, and Carol Cohen.

To join the planning committee, just send a note to: Club.Havurah@gmail.com expressing your interest.

We always welcome new committee members. You can sign up to help with just one event, or to work on future events on an ongoing basis, as you choose!

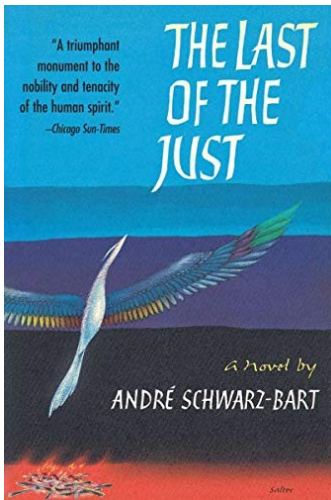
Torah on Tap

Tuesday, October 25, 6:00-7:30pm
at Archetype Brewing 174 Broadway



Torah on Tap, a lively group discussion led by CBI's Alan Silverman, usually meets on the last Tuesday of the month from 6:00– 7:30pm, at Archetype Brewing, 174 Broadway, 28801. Due to the High Holidays, Torah on Tap will not meet in September.

Each month highlights a timely topic of discussion, viewed through a Jewish lens.



The Friday Noon Study Group

Throughout September, CBI's FRIDAY NOON STUDY GROUP will continue its discussion of Andre Schwarz-Bart's novel, which was awarded France's highest literary prize in 1959.

The novel has been described as "an enduring classic that reminds us how easily torn is the precious fabric of civilization, and how destructive are the consequences of dumb hatred."

Our informal discussion group meets every Friday from 12-1 in CBI's small chapel (with an option for Zoom for those who cannot attend in person).

All are welcome to attend regardless of their level of expertise. If you have questions, please contact Jay Jacoby at jbjacoby@uncc.edu.

This informal study group, led by CBI member Jay Jacoby, is now in its 23rd year. Join us in CBI's small sanctuary as we discuss a new topic, or on Zoom through the CBI website's Virtual

Community page. All are welcome. Check CBI's Weekly Announcements to learn about our October study topic.

CBI's SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE ENCOURAGES ALL CONGREGANTS TO HELP



FEED THE HUNGRY

GET OUT THE VOTE



Starting on Rosh Hashana (September 25) through the end of Sukkot (October 16), CBI will be uniting with MANNA Food Bank to end hunger in WNC. Barrels will be placed in the synagogue lobby for your food donations ([see below for the food drive's most needed items](#)). For every 1.2 pounds of food donated, MANNA can provide 1 meal.

We hope that everyone plans on voting in the upcoming midterm elections (Election Day is November 8; early voting begins October 20). But there is more that some of us can do.

- **Monitor your County Board of Elections (BOE) as a Local Election Advocate with Democracy NC.** Local BOEs make decisions about polling locations, early voting schedules, the election administration budget and election security. The Boards meet monthly with additional meetings close to elections. Some meetings are in person, but most meetings also have virtual access. **Democracy NC** will train you and provide ongoing support. To view information about your county's Board of Elections and to access training materials, click [here](#).
- **Become a paid poll worker with your county Board of Elections.** Poll workers play a critical role, helping voters cast their ballots and making sure election procedures are followed. Anyone aged 17 or older is eligible for these paid positions. For details and to sign up in North Carolina, click [here](#).
- **Volunteer with your County Board of Elections.** Many county BOEs welcome volunteers and hire short-term help to support registration and voting. Contact your local Board of Elections. To find contact information, click on [this link](#).

We especially encourage our congregants to consider becoming poll workers. For more information on what you can do for the upcoming elections see https://www.carolinajewsforjustice.org/voting_rights_action_guide?utm_campaign=democracy_rights_promo&utm_medium=email&utm_source=cji

Remember the words of Rebbe Nachman of Breslov:

"If you are not a better person tomorrow than you are today, what need have you for a tomorrow?"



MANNA FOODBANK

HEALTHY FOOD DRIVE MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

<p>GREEN TEA (antioxidants & nutrients)</p> 	<p>LOW SODIUM VEGETABLES (vitamins & fiber)</p> 	<p>CANNED TUNA & CHICKEN (protein based)</p> 
<p>UNSALTED NUTS (protein & vitamins)</p> 	<p>NO SUGAR ADDED FRUITS (vitamin C & antioxidants)</p> 	<p>SHELF STABLE MILK (calcium & protein)</p> 
<p>WHOLE GRAIN PASTA (high nutritional value & fiber)</p> 	<p>BROWN RICE (high fiber & vitamin B)</p> 	<p>DATMEAL (healthy & filling breakfast)</p> 
<p>CANOLA & OLIVE OIL (relatively healthy saturated)</p> 	<p>PEANUT BUTTER (protein rich)</p> 	<p>LOW SODIUM SOUPS (get food groups together)</p> 
<p>BEANS: CANNED AND DRY (high protein)</p> 	<p>LOW SUGAR CEREALS (high healthy whole grains)</p> 	<p>GRANOLA BARS & POPCORN (healthy snacks)</p> 



POP TOP CANS & MICROWAVABLE CUPS PREFERRED - NO GLASS

LOW SODIUM - LOW TRANS FAT - < 1G SUGAR

*health benefits and facts listed underneath each item

MANNAFoodBank.org

627 Swannanoa River Road | Asheville, NC 28805 | 828-299-FOOD (3663)

Shout-Outs & Events

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 05 Dan Shaw
- 7 Bob Goldstein
- 8 Alan Goldschmidt
Ella Zivony
- 8 Patti Haskell
- 12 Julie Sherman
Ileana Grams-Moog
- 14 Mari Klausner
Tom Glaser
Rhona Reagen
- 22 Kevin Corbett
- 23 Ilona Sena
Nathalie Rudy
Pam Goldschmidt

- 25 Norman Katzwer
Barbara Levin
- 28 Lisa Schactman
- 30 Rochelle Reich
Elie Aharon

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 02 Alan Baumgarten & Judy Hoffman
- 05 Kevin & Lauren Boyd
- 06 Margaret Teich & Shuchin Shukla
- 07 Marv & Ellie Goldstein
Bruce Brown & Brian Stone



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 02 Talia Weizman
Logan Reich
Robert Kline
- 03 Reuben Hauser
- 04 Sarah Timins
- 06 Noah Tocaben
- 09 William Lewin
- 14 Carol Deutsch
- 15 Lilly Schactman
- 18 Neal Appel
- 22 Michael Weizman
Hanina Ruttenberg
George Ackerman
David Ackerman

- 23 Sandy Slosman
Aaron Timins
- 24 Linda Vance
- 30 Deborah Neimkin
- 31 Robin Goldstein

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 07 Elie Aharon & Sara Yakira
- 11 Jeremy & Susan Lerner
- 13 Alan & Lorraine Silverman
- 15 Mark & Marilyn Silberstein
- 16 Josh & Jane Anne Tager
- 17 Saul & Helene Nathanson
- 25 Daniel Dunn & Amy Gordon

Many Thanks

To Danise Hauser, Ilana Brody, and all of the amazing Rummage Sale volunteers.
To Gail Gordon, Helene Nathanson and Adrienne Kessler for their help with Kiddush prep while Adrienne Press recuperates.
To Alan Escovitz for his help with security and landscaping.
To Jay Jacoby, Rick Chess, and Helene Nathanson for providing programming.



Mazel Tov!

To Mark & Marilyn Silberstein on the birth of their second granddaughter, Alena Silberstein.
To Bob & Eileen Elkin on the birth of twin granddaughters to their daughter Mollie.

Refuah Shleimah

To Lori Holmes, Robert Feirstein, Gerard & Thelma Uhler, Julie Sherman, Devorah Reed.

Our Sympathy

To the Weizman and Simon families on the passing of Hanan Weizman.

Some Ways to Help

Greeters Wanted!

Our congregation is in need of volunteer greeters to welcome visitors to our warm and friendly Shul. We could use your help to greet people at the door and say a few welcoming words as they arrive for Shabbat or holiday services. We will even provide some training! If you are willing to help out, please contact Rochelle Reich at 828-252-8660 or director@bethisraelnc.org.



CBI's Social Action Committee invites you to:

Help serve dinner at the Western Carolina Rescue Mission on the third Tuesday of the month from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm.

The Rescue Mission is located at 225 Patton Avenue, Asheville. For details, contact Alan Escovitz at aescovitz@charter.net

Help with our involvement with Room In the Inn.

Contact Jan Zollars at warreallysucks@yahoo.com.

All current COVID-19 precautions are observed in these activities.

CBI's HaShofar Needs You!

Our beloved Jimi Moore, former editor of HaShofar, and her husband have moved out of the area and will be joining a new Jewish community and lending their talents and energy there. We are now looking for a newsletter editor to start immediately. Who is looking to contribute time from home? We could even teach you some new skills... Contact Lee or Rochelle if you are interested.



Editor's Note

Deadline: 15 October for the November-December double issue

For questions or submissions contact the editor at hashofar@bethisraelnc.org

Aiding Ukraine Refugees

If you are interested in making donations to assist **Ukrainian Refugees**, here are a few options to consider:

[Joint Distribution Committee](#)

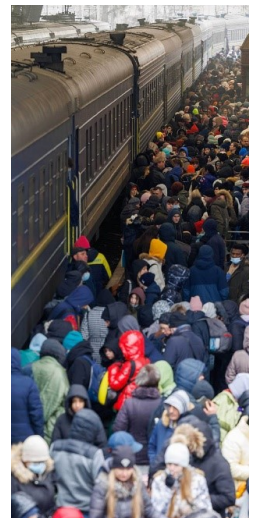
[Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society \(HIAS\)](#)

[Save the Children-Ukraine](#)

[Doctors without Borders in Ukraine](#)

[The CBI Rabbi's Discretionary Fund](#) (please indicate Ukraine Appeal on the memo line)

Marlene Jacoby and Laurie Chess
Social Action Committee Co-Chairs



Volunteer Needs at the *Shul*

We are currently seeking folks interested in reimagining several of our *shul's* committees. Don't let the word "committee" scare you; we need your energy and enthusiasm! All committees welcome new members, but specifically we are looking for new folks to join the Fund Development, Adult Ed, Security and newly-formed CBI Club *Havurah* social committee. Contact Rochelle to discuss your interests.

Support Your Shul and Its Programs!

Active Donor-Directed Funds

For those members of CBI who would like to direct their financial support toward a specific area within CBI, these are the active donor directed funds. You are encouraged to support the **General Fund** with your donations, allowing the Board of Directors the discretion to direct this support toward areas of the most need.

- ♥ **Spiritual Life Fund** – Support of spiritual life programs and needs
- ♥ **Social Action Fund** – Funds CBI's social action projects
- ♥ **Chesed/Tzedakah Fund** – Supports the Be-reavement Committee and other Chesed-related activities

- ♥ **Ted Liebowitz Children's Fund** – Provides scholarships for Bet Sefer students and supports Bet Sefer expenses
- ♥ **Toby Cohen Minyan Katan and Junior Congregation Fund**
- ♥ **Family Education Fund** – Supports family education programming
- ♥ **Bernard Coleman Adult Ed Fund**
- ♥ **Website/Computer/Tech Fund**
- ♥ **Cemetery Committee Fund** – Supports upkeep of CBI's Lou Pollock Cemetery

- ♥ **Chevra Kadisha Fund** – Supports efforts toward preparing the body of the departed for Jewish burial.
- ♥ **Rabbi Discretionary Fund** – Supports needs or causes the Rabbi chooses to support
- ♥ **Executive Director's Discretionary Fund** – Supports needs of the shul/community that were not budgeted for

June-July Donations

General Fund

Gerard & Thelma Uhler: in honor of Jonathan Uhler's anniversary
Steve & Carolyn Kayne: in memory of Elliot Bailey
Gerard & Thelma Uhler: in honor of Carling Uhler's birthday
Sharon Fahrner
Walter Solomon: in appreciation of the congregation's welcome
Bob & Eileen Elkin: in honor of Brad & Shelley Fisher's anniversary
Marta & Jimmy Metscher: in memory of Marta's parents, Esther & Burnerd Horwitz

Yahrzeit Fund

Arnold Wengrow & Reberta Wengrow Karesh: in memory of Sura Wolff Wengrow by her children, Reberta Wengrow Karesh and Arnold Wengrow.
Irvin & Vivien Saron: in memory of Vivian's father, Ronald Lew
Irvin & Vivien Saron: in memory of Vivian's stepfather, Ernest Erling
Bob & Eileen Elkin: in memory of Bob's father, Herbert Elkin
Ileana Grams-Moog: in memory of her husband, Robert Moog
Bob & Eileen Elkin: in memory of Eileen's grandfather, Harry Grossman
Hal & Mary Lewis: in memory of Mary's mother, Mildred Pearl Lazansky
Helene & Saul Nathanson: in memory of Helene's mother, Vivian Jacobs
Neal & Beth Appel: in memory of Neal's brother, Steven Appel
Mark & Marilyn Silberstein: in memory of Marilyn's father, Yoel Apfelbaum
Rick & Ellen Sanders: in memory of Ellen's father, David Brodie
Eva & Beth Blinder: in memory of Beth's father, Aaron Israel
Brad & Shelley Fisher: in memory of Brad's mother, Evelyn Fisher
Lois Bernard: in memory of her father, Abraham Bernard
Brad & Shelley Fisher: in memory of Shelley's grandfather, Philip Glass
Ileana Grams-Moog: in memory of her brother, MarcDaniel Jacobovitch
Brad & Shelley Fisher: in memory of Shelley's father, Leslie H. Epstein
Gerard & Thelma Uhler: in memory of Thelma's mother, Celia Sherman
Norma Schulman: in memory of her stepfather, Samuel Epstein

Bernard Coleman Adult Ed Fund

Carolyn & Steve Kayne: in honor of Jay Jacoby
Sharon Fahrner: in support of the Down Home exhibit

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Sukkah Fund

Eva & Beth Blinder
Carol Cohen
Saul & Helene Nathanson
William & Barbara Lewin

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

David Horwitz: in honor of Rabbi Mitch

Social Action Fund

Craig Frustaci: in memory of Bob Moog

Art Therapy Class

Wednesday, September 21, 7:00pm at CBI

Art Therapy T'shuvah with illustrator Tikva Wolf
Come explore your personal "return" through these collective visual exercises. We will be doing stream of consciousness writing and sketching to have conversations with the parts of ourselves that are hidden, get in touch with baggage we want to let go of, and maybe find some surprising new ways to play with our inner-children by taking a step back and seeing ourselves from a whole new angle. NO ARTISTIC SKILL REQUIRED!
Tikva Wolf is an author and illustrator focusing on the topics of communication effectiveness and relationship dynamics. Wolf's work is used as an aid by therapists and educators, has been translated to several different languages, and is a part of the Kinsey Institute's archive collection as well as the Ivy Plus Libraries Global Webcomics Archive. TikvaWolf.com for more info.

CBI Havdalah at the Appel's

Saturday, October 1, 7:15pm in HVL

Neal and Beth Appel will host this first Havdalah meeting for CBI South (but all CBI members and friends are welcome!) at their home in Hendersonville. Email Beth: bethappel@me.com for the address, to let them know you are coming, how many people are in your party, and what snack you are planning to bring. Hope to see you Saturday, October 1st around 7:15pm. That will give us time to schmooze a little before Havdalah, which is at 7:45 pm — Beth and Neal Appel (and Einstein, the Yorkie)



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Yahrzeits

May their memories be for a blessing

September Yahrzeits

Announced during services on:

August 27

01 (05 Elul) Neil Garroway for his mother, Doris Garroway

02 (06 Elul) Mary Lewis for her father, Bernard Lazansky

September 3

03 (07 Elul) David Boas for his mother, Gloria Boas

04 (08 Elul) Carol Samsky for her mother, Ruth DeKoven

04 (08 Elul) Della Simon for her sister, Nicole Kleban

04 (08 Elul) Gerard Uhler for his sister, Lillian Goldstein

06 (10 Elul) Goldie Weizman for her father, Nathan Zucker

06 (10 Elul) Gail Shulimson for her aunt, Sylvia Shulimson

07 (11 Elul) Richard Bogner for his father, Nicholas Bogner

07 (11 Elul) Paul Kirschenfeld for his father, Seymour Kirschenfeld

07 (11 Elul) Julie Sherman for her grandfather, Morris Felton

07 (11 Elul) Bob Deutsch for his grandmother, Nina Deutsch

08 (12 Elul) Gail Shulimson for her grandfather, Samuel Weintraub

08 (12 Elul) Vivien Saron for her brother, Saul Lew

September 10

10 (14 Elul) Sara Yakira for her aunt, Miriam Frankel

10 (14 Elul) Carol Cohen for her mother, Belle Rosen

10 (14 Elul) Ellen Sanders for her mother, Jackee Cohen Brodie

13 (17 Elul) Alan Baumgarten for his stepmother, Hanni Baumgarten

13 (17 Elul) Robert Goldstein for his mother, Evelyn Goldstein

13 (17 Elul) Robert Feirstein for his cousin, Samuel Book

15 (19 Elul) Jay Jacoby for his father, Harold Jacoby

15 (19 Elul) Caren Kessler for her grandmother, Annie Robkoff

15 (19 Elul) Alison B. Gilreath for her aunt, Fae Weiner

16 (20 Elul) Meta Berkowitz for her father, Benjamin Berkowitz

September 17

17 (21 Elul) Lauren Malinoff for her great grandmother, Anna Goldstein Lipman

17 (21 Elul) Gail Shulimson for her aunt, Mary Tabashneck

19 (23 Elul) Beth Appel for her mother, Marcia Kendler

19 (23 Elul) Barbara Lehrer for her mother, Dorothy Donner

20 (24 Elul) Martha Salyers for her father, Robert K. Salyers

21 (25 Elul) Robin Goldstein for her father, Seymour Berger

21 (25 Elul) Lorraine Silverman for her mother, Viola Benshushan

22 (26 Elul) Susan Lerner for her aunt, Muriel Lewis

22 (26 Elul) Julie Sherman for her grandmother, Betty Felton

23 (27 Elul) Jeremy Lerner for his sister, Trudy Lerner

23 (27 Elul) Shirley Kayne for her brother, Harry Farkas

September 24, 26 & 27 Rosh HaShanah

26 (01 Tishrei) Leonard Jacobs for his father, Sidney Jacobs

26 (01 Tishrei) Ronald Neimkin for his father, Milton Neimkin

27 (02 Tishrei) Michael Sena for his mother, Ethel Sena

28 (03 Tishrei) Neil Garroway for his father, Solomon Garroway

29 (04 Tishrei) Mark Goldstein for his mother, Beverly Goldstein

30 (05 Tishrei) Janice Brock for her grandmother, Sadie Bederman



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October Yahrzeits

Announced during services on:

October 1 (& 5 for Yom Kippur)

- 01 (06 Tishrei) Alan Escovitz for his father, Louis Escovitz
- 01 (06 Tishrei) Marc Rudow for his father, Ben Rudow
- 02 (07 Tishrei) Hanan Weizman for his mother, Pircha Weizman
- 02 (07 Tishrei) Barbara & Stephen Lehrer for their son, Michael Lehrer
- 03 (08 Tishrei) Eileen Elkin for her friend, Jill Klevan
- 04 (09 Tishrei) Lauren Malinoff for her aunt, Hermine Silver
- 04 (09 Tishrei) Alan Silverman for his grandfather, Arthur Stein
- 04 (09 Tishrei) Gail Shulimson for her uncle, William Shulimson
- 05 (10 Tishrei) Suzanne Escovitz for her father, Robert Kopp
- 06 (11 Tishrei) Shirley Kayne for her sister-in-law, Toby Farkas
- 06 (11 Tishrei) Shirley Sandler for her father, Derrick Benjamin

October 8, (10 & 11 for Sukkot)

- 09 (14 Tishrei) Loretta Holmes for her mother, Bella Perl
- 10 (15 Tishrei) Robert Marcus for his father, Louis Marcus
- 13 (18 Tishrei) Sharon Boas for her aunt, Rose White
- 14 (19 Tishrei) Robert Feirstein for his cousin, Yetta Book

October 15, (17 & 18 for Shemini Atzeret + Simhat Torah)

- 15 (20 Tishrei) Sheldon Neuringer for his father, Benjamin Neuringer
- 16 (21 Tishrei) Connie Glaser for her mother, Dorothy Brown
- 16 (21 Tishrei) Tamar Katzwer for her mother, Sylvia Twersky
- 16 (21 Tishrei) Della Simon for her grandfather, Bernard Hertzberg
- 18 (23 Tishrei) Elyse Meltz for her mother, Rose Meltz
- 20 (25 Tishrei) Norman Winkelman for his wife, Carrie Winkelman
- 21 (26 Tishrei) Rick Chess for his grandmother, Sarah Scharf

October 22

- 22 (27 Tishrei) Barbara Turner for her father-in-law, Frederick Turner
- 22 (27 Tishrei) Robert Kline for his mother, Claire Rose Kline
- 23 (28 Tishrei) Marc Penansky for his father, Edward Penansky
- 24 (29 Tishrei) Barbara Lewin for her grandmother, Bessie Blick
- 24 (29 Tishrei) Barbara Lewin for her grandmother, Pearl Weinstein Kaufman

October 29

- 30 (05 Cheshvan) Gail Shulimson for her mother, Isabel Shulimson
- 31 (06 Cheshvan) Teri Kayne for her husband, Louis Friedman

CBI's Virtual Office

If you would like to pay your dues or make a donation, you can do it quickly and securely online through CBI's Virtual Office on the CBI website. You can use ACH, your credit card or debit card, and save yourself a stamp or a trip to CBI. Don't forget to fill out the memo line!

Just go to CBI's home page at <https://www.bethisraelinc.org/> and click on CBI Virtual Office in the top bar <https://www.bethisraelinc.org/cbi-virtual-office/>

To Donate
click here

If you are making a donation or ticket payment, please fill in the memo line so that we can allocate it correctly. Thank you for supporting CBI!

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For Information about Burial Plots at Lou Pollock Memorial Park

Please call Josh Tager if you need any further information:
joshlager@gmail.com or 828 285-9995

Current Rates: \$1500 for members of Congregation Beth Israel
\$2000 for general community

Community Organizations

In the interest of civil dialogue and inclusivity, this information is provided as a service to the CBI community. The views of these organizations may or may not reflect the views of CBI or its members.

Happenings in the Asheville Jewish Community – www.jcwnc.org is your gateway into all the amazing and wonderful organizations and activities that you can explore.

The Asheville Jewish Community Center strengthens Jewish identity, celebrates Jewish culture, and builds inclusive community through a wide variety of social, educational, cultural, and wellness programs for people from all backgrounds at every stage of life. For more information www.jcc-asheville.org.

Jewish Family Services (JFS) provides unique and integrated services that will engage you in identifying your needs, strengths and goals. We offer support for our aging community members through our unique Elder Club Group Respite Program; sliding-scale mental health services through Healing Solutions counseling; case management; crisis services and spiritual care and healing services. We offer a variety of volunteer opportunities, too! Reach out to Cindy@jfswn.org to learn more!

Jewish Community Relations Council of the Greater Asheville Area – Our Mission – The Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC), in keeping with the traditional Jewish mandates to pursue justice and to repair the world, builds bridges of understanding and communication within our Jewish community and beyond to the general community. We work within the Jewish and broader communities in the greater Asheville area to enhance cooperation with other religious, racial, ethnic and civic groups and to foster a just, democratic and pluralistic society. Whether advocating for students, teachers and staff with local schools and universities, meeting with government officials, collaborating in interfaith initiatives, responding to issues of anti-Semitism, or combatting all forms of racial and ethnic hatred and prejudice, the JCRC assists our community in this pursuit for justice.

Carolina Jews for Justice (CJJ) is a non-partisan statewide organization devoted to pursuing social justice from a Jewish perspective in the areas of racial equity, reproductive rights, voter engagement, reducing poverty, and opposing anti-Semitism and other forms of bigotry, among other issues. Please visit its website at <https://www.carolinajewsforjustice.org> to learn more. CJJ has a WNC chapter, CJJ/West, and a CJJ/West Facebook page, and would welcome your involvement.

Is voting a mitzvah? See this informative piece, *Voting as a Jewish Imperative*, by CJJ Board member Ron Katz. The Jewish Response to Reproductive Justice. Learn what Judaism has to say about abortion and get involved in the fight to preserve reproductive choice. See this article by Judy Leavitt and Mena Kates giving the Jewish perspective on the abortion issue.

Upcoming CJJ Community Events:

Why Reparations? Sign up here to participate in this four-part series beginning September 14 on why we should be providing reparations to Black people in this country, led by CJJ-West Steering Comm. member Kathryn Liss.

GOTV Shabbat. Sign up here to join us for CJJ's first virtual Get Out the Vote Shabbat, from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Friday, October 21. Open to individuals and congregations.

More Statewide and Local Events— Check out the CJJ calendar for more opportunities for engagement with CJJ: The UU/CJJ Action Hour every Friday at 11:00 a.m.; the biweekly meetings of the CJJ Reproductive Justice group; and the October 4 meeting of the CJJ-West Democracy Rights group.

For more information about CJJ and its activities, please contact our local staff Community Organizer, Lisa Forehand, at lisa@carolinajewsforjustice.org. You can also contact Frank Goldsmith at goldsmith.cf@gmail.com or Judy Leavitt at judleavitt76@gmail.com.

Dayenu, A Jewish Call to Climate Action A movement to confront the climate crisis, rooted in Jewish values, experience, and spirit. dayenu.org

Jewish Conservative Coalition-Lamed 18 JCCL was formed to bring together like-minded individuals who support and defend the Jewish people and our Constitutional values. Lamed is the Hebrew letter that teaches us to learn from everything in life. Eighteen (18) in *Gematria* means good things to come. For additional organization, member and upcoming events information contact: JCCLevents@charter.net

Community Organizations (cont. from previous page)

Conference of Jewish Affairs We believe that America is a unique civilization worth preserving, and that liberty is the core engine behind America's success. As Jews and as admirers of the Bible, we believe in free markets and capitalism; judging people as individuals as opposed to indistinguishable members of groups; personal self-defense; reverence for the Constitution; property rights, national sovereignty and patriotism; a strong and capable military; and opportunity for all to succeed. We have a deep pride in Israel and her extraordinary achievements, and advocate for a secure and strong Israel. Please visit the [website](http://www.conferenceofjewishaffairs.org/): www.conferenceofjewishaffairs.org/ for additional information.



Our Gift Shop

Regular Gift Shop Hours: Fridays, 12 - 3pm

- - Outside of these regular hours, Rochelle and Lee may be available to assist you to make purchases from the shop. Alternatively, please don't hesitate to call Carol Samsky at (828) 676-0765 to arrange a convenient time to open the shop or request a special order.

Gift Shop Liquidation Sale!!!

We are re-imagining the gift shop and will begin transitioning it to be an all-local-artist Judaica shop. SO, that means that we're having an inventory reduction sale leading up to the holidays. Most items in the shop will be drastically reduced in price to make room for new items.

Open Fridays 12-3 and by appointment. It's also a great time to get involved with the shop as we are looking for new volunteers as we create our new store.

Sale will run August - September- shop early for best selection!

Any Extra Produce?

If your garden is producing like mad and you'd like to donate your extra produce, Adrienne Press, CBI's Kiddush caterer, would love to use it in making nutritious Kiddush meals for the congregation.

You can contact Rochelle at director@bethisraelnc.org while Adrienne is recuperating.



High Holiday Volunteers Needed!

There are MANY ways to help out around the shul for the holidays and well- you know the saying "many hands, make light work"- it's true!

We are looking to fill the following volunteer needs:

Security greeters, lobby greeters, administrative help, bamboo cutting, High Holiday mahzor-swapping, and probably other things as well.

If you are interested in helping out, then please contact Rochelle (director@bethisraelnc.org or 252-8660) and she'll get you scheduled.



September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 12noon Noon Study Group	3 9:30am Shabbat Ser- vices (& Cupcake Kid- dush)
4 Rummage Sale	5 8am-4pm	6	7	8	9 12noon Noon Study Group 6:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat & Potluck	10 9:30am Shabbat Ser- vices & Kiddush
11	12	13	14	15	16 12noon Noon Study Group	17 9:30am Shabbat Ser- vices & Kiddush <i>Silverman Aufruf</i> 8:00pm Selihot Pro- gram
18 1:00pm Apple Pick- ing at Stepp Orchard	19 Yizkor Booklet Deadline	20 4:00pm Serv- ing Dinner at Rescue Mis- sion	21 5:30pm Dinner at Piazza 7:00pm Art class	22 Deadline to order Lulav/ Etrog	23 12noon Noon Study Group	24 9:30am Shabbat Ser- vices & Kiddush <i>Levine Aufruf</i> 9:30am Awakening the Heart
25 10:00am Switching Siddurim-Mahzorim 7:30pm services & Oneg <i>Erev Rosh HaShanah</i>	26 9:00am ser- vices, 11:00am Youth services, Luncheon, <i>Tashlikh</i> <i>Rosh HaShanah</i>	27 9:00am ser- vices No Torah on Tap in Sept. <i>Rosh HaSha- nah</i>	28	29	30 12noon Noon Study Group Deadline to RSVP for Break-the-Fast	



October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 9:30am Shabbat Services (& Kiddush) 7:15pm Havdalah at the Appel's home <i>Shabbat Shuvah</i>
2 10:00am Kever Avot at Lou Pollock Cemetery	3	4 6:45pm Kol Nidre services <i>Kol Nidre</i>	5 9:30am Yom Kippur services & Yizkor <i>Yom Kippur</i>	6	7 12noon Noon Study Group 6:00pm Shabbat HaMalkah (Zoom)	8 9:30am Shabbat Services & Kiddush
9 10:00am Decorating the Sukkah	10 9:00am services <i>Sukkot 1</i>	11 <i>Sukkot 2</i>	12	13	14 12noon Noon Study Group 6:00pm Sukkot Sing Along & Dairy Potluck	15 9:30am Kiddush for Breakfast in Sukkah 10:30am abbreviated Shabbat Services
16 5:30pm Simhat Torah at JCC <i>Hoshanah Rabbah</i>	17 9:30am services & Yizkor <i>Shemini Atzeret</i>	18 4:00pm Serving Dinner at Rescue Mission <i>Simhat Torah</i>	19	20	21 12noon Noon Study Group	22 9:30am Shabbat Services & Kiddush 9:30am Awakening the Heart
23 <hr/> 30	24 <hr/> 31	25 6:00pm Torah on Tap Archetype Brewery 174 Broadway	26	27	28 12noon Noon Study Group	29 9:30am Shabbat Services & Kiddush



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Candle-lighting & Havdalah September

Friday	09/02/22	7:38 pm
Saturday	09/03/22	8:27 pm
Friday	09/09/22	7:28 pm
Saturday	09/10/22	8:17 pm
Friday	09/16/22	7:18pm
Saturday	09/17/22	8:07 pm
Friday	09/23/22	7:08 pm
Saturday	09/24/22	7:56 pm

October

Friday	09/30/22	6:57 pm
Saturday	10/01/22	7:46 pm
Friday	10/07/22	6:47pm
Saturday	10/08/22	7:36pm
Friday	10/14/22	6:38 pm
Saturday	10/15/22	7:27 pm
Friday	10/21/22	6:29 pm
Saturday	10/22/22	7:18 pm
Friday	10/28/22	6:21 pm
Saturday	10/29/22	7:10 pm

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Chesed: CBI's Support Network

Chesed is a caring team of CBI members who are here to help out their CBI community during both challenging as well as joyous times. This committee has assisted individuals and families in a variety of ways. Sometimes it's as simple as making a call or writing a card. Sometimes it's preparing a meal, making a visit or providing a ride. Sometimes it's helping with a life cycle event: a *bat* or *bar mitzvah*, the birth of a baby, the loss of a loved one. But we need your help to continue our work effectively.

We can't offer to do anything unless we know who needs and wants some support. If we can help you with something or if you are aware of someone who needs assistance, please tell Lee, who will pass along that information to the **Chesed** committee. Or you can send an email request to chesed@bethisraelnc.org. Many people at CBI are waiting to help out. At this point, over 70 people have put their names on one or more lists to provide support for their CBI family.

We also need your help responding to the requests. If you want to be involved, please tell Lee, who will pass along your interest to the committee. You can also contact the **Chesed** committee directly at chesed@bethisraelnc.org. We'll get in touch with you to see what you are interested in doing. We're grateful to have you volunteer to do one or all of the following (it's really up to you):

- Visit those who are sick
- Make calls
- Be part of a *shiva minyan*
- Prepare meals
- Provide transportation
- Run errands
- Assist with set up for a *bar/bat mitzvah* party
- Host someone for a holiday meal

Jewish communities have a rich history of taking care of each other. The Babylonian Talmud teaches us that *All Jews are responsible one for another (Shevuot 39a)*.

The **Chesed** Committee invites you to be a part of that meaningful tradition.

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