

# BULLETIN

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With the beginning of summer comes the excitement for many of our youth who will head off to overnight camp to celebrate the season with new and old friends. I often consider this time of year how it is that our youth find the confidence to head out on a new and thrilling adventure.

A young student was once asked incredulously if he always wanted to be in 5th grade rather than move up in school. He answered: "yes, he did not want to move up in grades because then he would have to change teachers."

There is much wisdom and honesty in the young student's spontaneous reply.

The truth is that changes can be and are most often challenging in varying degrees and, at times, anxiety-provoking. To be courageous is to have the power to let go of the familiar.

Let's reflect on the moments of change in our lives beyond summer camp. When we stood under the huppah at our wedding ceremonies - moving from two individuals to one couple in the eyes of our tradition. The first time we brought our children to preschool - some clung tightly to us, not ready to let go of the familiar (and us clinging right back). Each year's first day of school. A move in location or profession. Seeing our children grow up so quickly before our eyes. We needed the courage and continue to cope with these changes.

Outside of our evolutions - we live in times of consistent change. For example, technological changes alone have profoundly revolutionized our style and pace of living. And even our values, morality, and religious beliefs and practices have not been unmoved by the howling winds of change.

At this time, we must be reminded of the things that remain the same. In the words of Ahab in Moby Dick, we "like to feel something in this slippery world that can hold."

It is in discovering the things we can always count on that we can find comfort.

The prolific American Rabbi Sydney Greenberg wrote:

The healing power of time and the sustaining power of hope; the heart's yearning for love and the soul's hunger for prayer; the endless quest for truth and the stubborn struggle for justice; the restless urge to create and the valiant will to overcome - these are some of the things we can count on. These are the things that hold in a slippery world.

*Rabbi Nate Crane*

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**Mazel Tov to:**

**Jay Goldstein** on his 70th birthday

**Mel F. Seidenberg** on the engagement of his grandson, Adam Seidenberg and Naomi Polansky

**Rabbi Nate Crane** on his birthday

**Esther Chereck** in honor of her 80th birthday

**Ahouva and Isaac Hasbani** on the birth of their granddaughter, Soraya Rima Abramyan

**Dr. Irving Cutler** who will be celebrating his 100th birthday on April 11th

**Robin and David Cohen** on their daughter, Jocelyn's B-Mitzvah

**Jean Rice** on the birth of her great grandson, Henry Jay Brown

**June Levy** on the birth of her great grandson, Henry Gordon Rosenfeld

**Katie Power and Mitch Dubin** on the birth of their son, Liam Joseph Dubin

**Colleen and Ira Dubin** on the birth of their grandson, Liam Joseph Dubin

**Esther and David Galantowicz** on the B-Mitzvah of their daughter Chelsea Galantowicz

**Iva and Zelig Falevits** on the B-Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Chelsea Galantowicz

**Adrienne and Jeffrey Kriezelman** on their son Justin and Theresa Yafanaro's marriage

**Robin and Paul Smulson** nephew Justin Kriezelman and Theresa Yafanaro's marriage

**Percy Ferguson**, Maintenance Supervisor, who celebrated his 39th year this week, starting with Bnai Emunah and now BHBE

**Marcie Eskin** on her 24th anniversary as BHBE Librarian

**Condolences to:**

**Jane Hornstein** on the passing of her husband and our longtime congregant, Jeff Hornstein

**Laura Mell and Arthur Dolinsky** and their family on the passing of Laura's father, Robert Mell

**Save these Dates:**

**Sunday, June 11, A Night in Old Havana.** BHBE's 65th Annual Gala. Invitation to follow

**Friday, June 23, Shabbat at the Beach.** More details to follow

Thanks for your donation in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of our Grand daughter Yahel Avisar Goldberg:

Ellen & Allen Sered

Aileen & Harold Primack

Susan & Irv Zagorin

Vern & Sheila Gideon

Gail & Jerry Swerdlik

**Thanks,**

**Barry Goldberg & Michele Bresler**



First, I would like to thank all of the congregants who made a donation to BHBE in honor of my 75<sup>th</sup> birthday. I am blessed to be a member of BHBE, our incredibly vibrant active community.

As we enter the summer months (it is actually snowing outside as I write this; yet hope springs eternal that by the time you are reading this, May, 2023, we are actually having some beautiful spring weather) we are in yet another one of our busy times of year. Our Gala is just around the corner, June 11<sup>th</sup>; which means we are all busy soliciting ads for the Gala directory.

By now, you have probably gone online and checked that your information in the shulcloud directory is correct so that your information in the printed directory will be correct. If you have not, I highly recommend doing this now. Jackie, Michael, and many of our Board members can help you review your information. In addition to soliciting ads, you can also sign on to the many pages of “community” ads honoring the clergy, the board, the staff, etc. Our Night in Cuba will be a fun evening providing us with an opportunity to learn some new dancing, taste some new drinks and enjoy each other’s company. I hope to see many of you there.

As parents and grandparents, many of us are celebrating graduations, major changes in our families. This time of year, we are not just preparing to send our kids off to camp, we are thinking of where they may be going at the end of the summer—some of our youngest members are starting school, maybe even pre-school, for the first time. As a family member begins his or her new adventure, it has implications for the entire family. Are our students ready for their next adventure?

Are we parents/grandparents ready for this next stage of life? How can we ensure that we all stay connected to each other as we head off to parts and adventures unknown?

During the summer, many of us will be traveling, taking vacations, visiting out of town family and friends, visiting camp during parents’ weekend. While you are in town, I hope you will spend Shabbat with us, either in person or streaming. Check the calendar for special events, kiddushes, Shabbat at the Beach, ice cream socials, etc. With the advent of beautiful weather, Tot Shabbat will be taking place outside—what a lovely time to take a Shabbos stroll to watch our littlest members enjoy their time together with their BHBE friends over by the pre-school.

Each season has its own rhythm that we enjoy and celebrate; for many of us, spring and summer are the most delightful, offering us the joys of warm weather, enabling us to be outside, walking at the Botanic Garden with friends, strolling and/or riding our bikes by the lake or on the Old Green Bay Trail, eating outside at restaurants we’ve been avoiding during the colder months when we try to stay away from crowds.

I will be in Boston and Baltimore from May 15<sup>th</sup> thru the 28<sup>th</sup>; my daughter Rachel is graduating from Brandeis University with an MBA and a 2<sup>nd</sup> cousin is getting married the following weekend in Baltimore. For those of you who are also celebrating a graduation, whether from pre-school or graduate school, mazel tov. Embrace the change, celebrate your family.

*B’shalom, Cynthia*



## BHBE CELEBRATES PRIDE MONTH THIS JUNE

Plan to join us for BHBE's *FIRST EVER* Pride Weekend, June 23-25

### Save the Dates!

**June 15**—Celebrate Pride Shabbat with a rainbow challah. Order by Thursday, June 15. Watch for ordering and pick-up details soon.

**June 23**—**Kabbalat Shabbat Services at the Beach**, 6:00-7:30 PM, Wilmette Beach. Arrive early, at 5:30 PM, to make posters to carry on Sunday at the Pride Parade by you or someone else. Remember to bring that delicious rainbow challah!

**June 24**—**BHBE Pride Shabbat Morning Service—Don't miss it!**

Fun and meaningful activities for all age groups—Tot Shabbat, Junior Congregation, and Adult services—something for everyone!

Be inspired by Pride-related readings, reflections, prayers, and Rabbi Crane's D'var Torah.

**Explore displays in the Rotunda:**

**Browse** LGBTQ+-related books from the BHBE library. Discuss new books about LGBTQ+ issues with Marcie Eskin, our BHBE librarian.

**Admire** the Academy students' display featuring ways in which they have learned about and actively supported LGBTQ+ people and families

**Wear** the stickers and pins (available on Rotunda tables) to demonstrate your support of LGBTQ+ Inclusion

**Learn** about BHBE's history and accomplishments as an inclusive community

**June 25**—**Chicago's 54th Annual Pride Parade** 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM — March, dance, or turn cartwheels with family, friends, fellow BHBE congregants and more than 10 Chicagoland Jewish organizations in hoofing our solidarity at the Chicago Pride Parade! *Details regarding registration and logistics to follow.*

### How You Can Help with BHBE Pride Month

- Attend Activities and Participate!
- Proudly add your name to the list of June 24th Kiddush enhancers.
- Help expand our BHBE LGBTQ+ library collection. Consider donating to the Library Fund in honor of BHBE Pride Month 2023. Your generous donation will be acknowledged with a bookplate.
- Read *Library Lines* by Marcie Eskin in this edition of the BHBE Bulletin featuring books with LGBTQ+ characters or about LGBTQ+ issues. Eager to start reading? Kids ages 8-12 will enjoy *Ellen Outside the Lines*, by A.J. Sass (2022); adults can check out *A Rainbow Thread: An Anthology of Queer Jewish Texts from the First Century to 1969* by Noam Sienna (2019).

BHBE is proud to provide a warm, inviting, nurturing and joyful environment for our LGBTQ+ community. This Pride Month has been planned to provide a platform for everyone to think about and discuss how our Jewish values inform us to be advocates for LGBTQ+ rights, equality, and inclusion. Join in BHBE's Pride activities and demonstrate your support.





On April 16th, BHBE turned 65! I am honored to be a part of this wonderfully accepting, creative and meaningful community. Also on April 16th this year, we offered a “Donuts & Data” day to support our members with in-person help navigating our online presence.

If you missed this opportunity, I am sharing some of the directions here. As always, if you have any questions, please reach out to me directly or to our office at [information@bhbe.org](mailto:information@bhbe.org) or 847-256-1213.

Essentially we have two sites on the internet. One is [bhbe.org](http://bhbe.org) - this is our public site for anyone to learn more about our congregation and all that we offer. Then, only for those members who create a username and password, you can log in to our private site hosted through “ShulCloud” - [bhbe.shulcloud.com](http://bhbe.shulcloud.com). It is here that you can find details on our calendar, information about our board and other things we do not want publicly displayed.

[www.bhbe.org](http://www.bhbe.org)

Here you can view items of interest at BHBE without logging into our private pages. However, without logging in, certain items and details will not be available to you.

To login, follow these steps. Keep in mind that logging in brings you to our private site and allows you to see details such as calendar events, our directory and board information.

Go to “Member Login”

Login, or

Select “New User: Register Now” to request a login (this goes directly to me at [michael.kahn@bhbe.org](mailto:michael.kahn@bhbe.org))

[www.bhbe.shulcloud.com](http://www.bhbe.shulcloud.com)

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*Once logged in, here are some things you can do with your account (and there's much more! Look around!)*

*Check your personal Information*

View My Directory

*Check your Hebrew information*

My Account > My Profile

*Be sure to include adult and post bmitzvah family members on account for aliyot*

*Opt-out of the Directory*

View My Directory > Find your name > Edit

Scroll down to “Change Directory Listing”

*Calendar*

“Calendar” button

*Yahrzeits*

My Account > My Yahrzeits

Please call or email us in the office with any questions! Be well and happy spring!

Michael Kahn

## Library Lines

Educator Rudine Sims Bishop, described as the “mother” of multicultural children’s literature, greatly influenced librarians and teachers with her description of books as windows (offering views of worlds that may be real or imagined, familiar or strange), sliding glass doors (allowing readers to become part of a world created by an author), and mirrors (enabling us to see our own lives and experiences as part of the greater human experience). In the past, neither Jewish nor LGBTQ+ readers—especially those who identify as both—found themselves well represented in mainstream literature. Luckily, in recent years there are more and more books where LGBTQ+ Jews and their families can see themselves mirrored, which means that others can have a window into their lives as well. Whether it’s a nonfiction work of queer Jewish texts over the past two centuries, a memoir of a transgender rabbi, a young adult novel of same sex love, or a middle grade chapter book where a Jewish child has two moms, readers no longer need feel that they are not represented in the books they read.

In recognition of Pride Month this June, I am sharing resources available to access LGBTQ+ Jewish books for both adults and children. We have a growing collection in the BHBE library. Go to the [online catalog](#) and click on the LGBTQ+ Resources tab for a list of titles. You can find more children’s titles on my colleague Heidi Rabinowitz’ [database of diverse Jewish kidlit](#), selecting Queer Jews from the Tags dropdown menu. For additional information, see the [New York Public Library’s LGBTQ+ Jewish page](#) which includes a research guide that features publications by and about LGBTQ+ Jewish people, from scholarly and community works to personal stories.

I’m highlighting a few titles of interest below. In addition, a number of books on LGBTQ+ issues and with LGBTQ+ characters will be on display in the library during Pride Month and in the rotunda on Pride Shabbat on June 24. Please reach out to me with any questions or if you want any reading recommendations.



***Torah Queeries: Weekly Commentaries on the Hebrew Bible*** by Gregg Drinkwater, Joshua Lesser, and David Shneer, with a forward by Judith Plaskow (2009)

This incredibly rich collection unites the voices of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and straight-allied writers, including some of the most central figures in contemporary American Judaism. All bring to the table unique methods of reading and interpreting that allow the Torah to speak to modern concerns of sexuality, identity, gender, and LGBT life. *Torah Queeries* offers cultural critique, social commentary, and a vision of community transformation, all done through biblical interpretation. (from the publisher)



***The New Queer Conscience*** by Adam Eli, illustrated by Ashley Lukashevsky (2020, Sydney Taylor Young Adult Notable Book)

A candid and compassionate introduction to queer responsibility. Eli calls on his Jewish faith to underline how kindness and support within the queer community can lead to a stronger global consciousness. More importantly, he reassures us that we’re not alone. (from the publisher)



***All Three Stooges*** by Erica S. Perl (2018, Middle Grade Sydney Taylor Honor Book)

Noah, Dash, and Noa are grouped together for their B’nai Mitzvah tzedakah project. Noah can’t stand Noa, a girl who annoyingly shares his name and B’nai Mitzvah date and seems to do everything right. Dash and Noah are best friends who love sleepovers devoted to hanging out with Dash’s dad watching old comedy routines, until... Dash’s dad commits suicide. Then, everything falls apart. Noah loses his father figure, whom he needs because he has two loving, but somewhat ineffective moms. Dash becomes angry and depressed and pulls away from Noah and even therapy doesn’t help. Noa relives the death of her own dad, for which she is still seeing a counselor. In his weekly meetings with the B’nai Mitzvah class, the rabbi talks about Torah and acts of loving kindness, but doesn’t really help any of his students address their issues. As the tweens try to work through everything, often with humor, at times with immaturity, Perl gives us voices that ring true, believable situations, and a warm, loving story with more than a sprinkling of Judaism. (from *Association of Jewish Libraries Reviews*)



***The Flower Girl Wore Celery*** by Meryl G. Gordon, illustrated by Holly Clifton-Brown (2016, Preschool-Grade 2)

A fresh, delightful picture book presents a gay, Jewish wedding in positive family terms brimming with energy and love. The unexpected propels the plot. The opening of the book thrives on the humor of tots misunderstanding wedding roles. The children do not know what to imagine from the terms ‘flower girl,’ ‘ring bearer,’ and ‘celery dresses.’ When the bride and groom turn out to be two brides it is just one more mental picture to be adjusted. The synagogue marriage ceremony includes grandparents and siblings in the wedding party, parents bringing each bride down the aisle, a female rabbi, the *ketubah*, seven blessings, ring exchange, breaking of the wine glasses to shouts of Mazel Tov, and a hora danced in celebration as the brides are carried on their chairs. (from *Association of Jewish Libraries Reviews*)

**Marcie Eskin, Librarian**  
[marcie.eskin@bhbe.org](mailto:marcie.eskin@bhbe.org)

### ***What Your Men's Club Does for You and the BHBE Community***

The Men's Club is a Service Organization. I equate "service" with "tzedakah". If you read these Bulletin Reports over the last several issues you will see many definitions of service. From the micro, helping congregants one-on-one. To the intellectual, in the Food for Thought Breakfasts, to honoring individuals for their work in the Congregation. Please come and join us.

The purpose of an auxiliary organization is to support and further the goals of the Synagogue as best it can. The following is a report on a majority of the activities of your Men's Club. The BHBE Men's Club is part of the Midwest Region of the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs (FJMC) with clubs in Milwaukee, Chicago, St. Louis, and other Midwestern cities. Your BHBE Men's Club organizes local programs and participates in Regional and National programs.

### ***Tzedakah Begins at Home (Exodus 22:25)***

A disabled congregant with mobility issues was seeking assistance with a few tasks around her home. Thank you to Jeff Roth for picking up and delivering prescriptions from the pharmacy. She wrote that there are several bags of garbage plus a couple bags of recycling and a box full of recycling. Harold Primack and Steven Bucksbaum took care of the issues.

### ***Man of the Year: Sheldon Reis***

On Sunday March 26, 2023, at Beth Judea in Long Grove. Over 200 people gathered to see the presentation of the Man of the Year Awards. Sheldon Reis was the 2023 Man of the Year from the BHBE Men's Club.

The Man of the Year program is sponsored by the FJMC Midwest Region. Every year FJMC Clubs in Milwaukee, St. Louis and the Chicago, the Midwest Region nominate a Man of the Year. The celebration of culminates in a presentation of awards. Please join me in congratulating Sheldon on this well earned honor.

Annually, Sheldon organizes the Men's Club Shabbat. Organizing a Shabbat is big job, there are over 50 roles to fill. Sheldon quietly performs this task every year, very efficiently. Sheldon currently leads the legacy program for the Board at BHBE. Working with congregants to leave financial resources to the Congregation in their estates. Sheldon performs this task with same quiet efficiency that he does with every job. I want to thank Ivan Cramer and Larry Plawsky for making contributions to Men's Club in honor of Sheldon Reis.

Please thank those who purchased ads in Sheldon's honor: Jack and Sharon Zoldan, Gail and Jerry Swerdlik, Gary and Marilyn Rubin, Mel Seidenberg (the first Man of the Year from BHBE), Beatrice and Norman Ring, and Betty Ann and Steven Bucksbaum.

### ***March 12, 2023, Food for Thought Breakfast***

Jeff Roth invited Deanna Shoss (MA, DePaul University) in person and Jerry Witkovsky (MSW, University of Illinois) via zoom to speak on the different ways and methods grandparents can connect with their grandchildren. The conversation was intergenerational as sixth graders from the Academy had a seat at every table in the room. Special thanks to Stewart Miller for producing the breakfast flier. Thank you for the Sponsorships: Tom Ungar, Jay Lawrence, Steven Bucksbaum, Lane Rubinstein, Norman Ring, Harold Primack, Jeff Roth, Bruce Hershman, Marshall and Bev Fleischman, Andrew Weissman. Thank you for helping out on the Breakfast presentation: Lane Rubinstein, Gary Rubin, Jay Lawrence, Steve Krause, Jeff Roth, Tom Ungar, Lee Bloom, Harold Primack

### ***Men's Club Gidwitz Service***

Gidwitz informed Ivan Cramer that they no longer require PCR testing in order to enter the building (still need to wear a mask). On Saturday, March 25, 2023, Ivan Cramer and Jennifer Oppenheimer were able to assist Rabbi Stern on a Shabbat Service at Gidwitz. Thank you Ivan Cramer and Jennifer Oppenheimer.

### ***Cubs Outing with Men's Club***

Cubs vs Tampa Bay Rays. SOLD OUT. Meet at BHBE at 11:30am to motor down to Wigley Field. Questions to Tom Ungar at 312.541.0000.

***Upcoming Men's Club Activities*** 6/11/2023 Gala Rama Drawing on Congregational Dinner,

### ***Steve Bucksbaum***

***Men's Club President***

### ***Youth Shabbat, May 20***

Featuring our academy students reading Torah, leading services and sharing stories of their Jewish connections through their camp and Israel experiences. Please join us and support the kids!



The Jewish New Year 5783 is soon upon us. I hope everyone had a wonderful and memorable vacation season. I am looking forward to coming back together in person to feel our community's warmth and friendship. Please do participate in Sisterhood's fall fund raising

projects, wishing your fellow congregants Happy New Year by sending New Year's greetings, purchase beautiful mum plants to share with family and friends, and enjoy the delicious challah offered for Rosh Hashannah meals.

I am looking forward to revitalizing Sisterhood activities. We realize that our younger congregants are very busy with family responsibilities and work commitments, so I am very interested in knowing how Sisterhood can provide for you. Would you like our Sisterhood to provide family activities, personal wellness, the arts-music, art, drama? Please participate in offering your new and exciting ideas to engage our community and bring us together.

*Shanah Tova for a Happy and Healthy New Year,  
Greer Braun, Sisterhood President*

### **Todah Rabbah**

Thank you Sisterhood friends for the heartwarming birthday Leagram. It was so thoughtful. **Marilyn Rubin**

I opened an envelope today and said, "Wow." So many Leagram Birthday wishes from so many BHBE members! Thank you all for the good wishes and to Marcy Kreiter for sending out the Leagrams. It's very much appreciated.

**Thelma Ross**



### **Sisterhood Daytime Series**

**Thursday, May 11**

**12:15pm light lunch, 1pm program**

"Late Rehearsals, Early Day Jobs: Four Decades of Making Theater in Chicago" BHBE member Susan Lieberman will reflect on many years of writing for and about Chicago's small stages.

She'll be joined by actresses Deb Watassek and Kristie Berger who will present some brief dramatic scenes, share some war stories from behind the scenes, and maybe talk about the day job thing: caterer, legal scopist, landlady, tool & die factory bookkeeper, cleaning lady...

Guests are \$5.00. Sponsorships of \$25 are always welcome. Contact Gail Swerdlik at [gmswerd@gmail.com](mailto:gmswerd@gmail.com)

### **BHBE Sisterhood Culminating Program**

**Monday, May 22 6:00 pm**

Please join us for this year's closing program on Monday, May 22 at 6:00 pm.

We will have a delicious dinner followed by a professional storyteller, Megan Wells.

Ms. Wells will be transforming into Miep Gies who will tell us how she found and protected the diary of Anne Frank.

Please look for sign up information in our Sisterhood emails

**Save the Date August 6 & 7**

**BHBE Sisterhood Rummage Sale**

**Drop off dates begin July 30<sup>th</sup> for our Rummage**

**Start saving your items for the sale.**

Your donations bring in revenue that benefits our synagogue. Bring in your clothing, small household items, books, games, and other items that can be sold at our Rummage Sale.

Thanks for all your help,

The Rummage Sale Committee

**2023-2024 BHBE CALENDAR**

**Honor a Loved One or Special Occasion**

**For \$20 per listing**

**Sponsor months from**

**September 2023 – October 2024**

Mail, call or email: Aileen Primack

9450 Kedvale, Skokie 60076

847.677.6195 or [aepimack@sbcglobal.net](mailto:aepimack@sbcglobal.net)

Deadline for submission is June 30, 2023.

Only paid messages will be included.



# The 2023-2024 BHBE Calendar is being prepared

Take this opportunity to  
Honor Loved Ones or a Special Occasion  
Sponsor months from  
September 2023 through October 2024  
\$20.00 per listing

Limited sponsorships are available per month

Please mail, call or email to reserve your month  
Aileen Primack, 9450 Kedvale, Skokie 60076  
847-677-6195 or [aeprimack@sbcglobal.net](mailto:aeprimack@sbcglobal.net)

Messages should be 10 words or less,  
Example: The Silver Family in honor of Sam's birthday

Deadline for submission is June 30, 2023  
Only paid submissions will be included in the calendar

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Donor \_\_\_\_\_

Month \_\_\_\_\_

Message (10 words or less) (Please print)

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Phone Number and/or Email \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment must accompany reservation. Checks should be made payable to  
BHBE Sisterhood and sent to Aileen Primack, 9450 Kedvale, Skokie 60076

Please note: The deadline for bulletin material is the first of every other month.

**Send a Note of Thanks**

Send a Note of Thanks for only \$10 printed in the Sisterhood Bulletin. We make it easy to say "thank you" for all the Leagrams, Happy Day, Torah Fund or Memorial Cards you have received. For only \$10 we will print your "thank you" in the bulletin. When you print your "thank you" in the bulletin, we save you money on stationery, and stamps, plus no trips to the post office, saving you money on gas. Just call Rochelle Leff at 847.724.9348, or send your message via email to rdleff@att.net. You can also mail your message and a check to Rochelle Leff, 20 Mulberry Court, Glenview, 60025.



**Happy Day & Memorial Cards**

Are you looking for a special way to remember your friends or relatives as they experience special occasions? Sisterhood has Happy Day and Memorial Cards for all occasions. All you have to do is call Susan Zagorin at 847-673-7996. She will address and mail your card for only \$3.50. No trips to the card store, post office or mailbox. A packet of 10 cards for only \$25 are also available for you to address and mail yourself. The next time you need to remember someone with a special card, think of sending a card from Sisterhood by calling Susan. .



We make it easy to say "thank you" for all the Leagrams, Happy Day, Torah Fund or Memorial Cards you have received. For only \$10 we will print your "thank you" in the bulletin. Call Rochelle Leff at 847-724-9348, or send your message via email to rdleff@att.net. You can also mail your message and a check to Rochelle at 20 Mulberry Court, Glenview, 60025.

Please email your Leagram wishes to [marcykreiter2@gmail.com](mailto:marcykreiter2@gmail.com)

**June**

- 2 Dianne Kaufman
- 2 Regina Katz
- 2 Pamela Reinglass
- 5 Helen Stopek
- 9 Susan Bernover
- 11 Jaclyn Stern
- 11 Rochelle Dyme
- 11 Vicki Pines
- 12 Minnie Goldsmith
- 12 Susan Kay
- 14 Miriam Rosen
- 15 Judith Berlin
- 19 Charone Ousley
- 19 Elly Rousso
- 22 Mryna Siegel
- 24 Leah Novak
- 24 Elaine Pollack
- 26 Shoshana Reynolds
- 28 Fran Diamond

**July**

- 2 Dalia Ness
- 2 Marcie Eskin
- 3 Sheila Winer
- 4 Ellen Feldman
- 6 Ellen Kaufman
- 7 Morissa Lundy
- 7 Judith Reis
- 9 Michele Melnick
- 9 Gail Schneiderman
- 9 Rachel Crane
- 10 Rita Plenner
- 20 Jean Gold
- 22 Rosita Schloss
- 25 Fern Kaplan
- 26 Rachel Serour
- 26 Fern Finkel



Do you see a Sisterhood friend with a June / July 2023 birthday? Send a birthday wish. Add your name to a Leagram, only 25 cents. Please

send info. to:

**Marcy Kreiter  
9033 Keeler Ave.  
Skokie, IL 60076  
or email**

[marcykreiter2@gmail.com](mailto:marcykreiter2@gmail.com)



**Rabbi Crane's Discretionary Fund**

**A donation has been made to this fund by:**

Theresa Yafanaro and Justin Kriezelman thanking Rabbi Crane for officiating our wedding ceremony  
Stanley Bakshy thanking Rabbi Crane for his assistance in my Tallit repair  
Diana Martin, Beth Fraum and Cara Galper in loving memory of their father, Sam Pfeffer  
Sheila and Larry Gerber

The Dolinsky and Mell Families in memory of their beloved, Robert Mell  
"Rabbi, thank you for your help and comfort during our time of mourning."

**In memory of**

Rami Taho by Lori Bega  
Jerome Madansky by Elaine Madansky and Keith Goldberg

**Cantor Roytman's Discretionary Fund**

**A donation has been made to this fund by:**

The Dolinsky and Mell Families in memory of their beloved, Robert Mell.  
"Cantor, thank you for your help and comfort during our time of mourning."

**Beit Musica - Cantor Roytman's Music Fund**

**A donation has been made to this fund by:**

Sheila and Larry Gerber

**In honor of**

Cantor Roytman's original composition of L'chu N'ran'nah / Shiru L'Adonai included in the recently published Shabbat songbook, Shabbat Anthology Volume X

-by Judy and Marshall Kupchan

-by Cynthia and Sy Goren

-by Sheila and Vern Gideon

**Annette W. and Mel F. Seidenberg Family Youth Fund**

**A donation has been made to this fund by:**

Mel F. Seidenberg has made a contribution to this fund in memory of his wife Annette W. Seidenberg's 25<sup>th</sup> yahrzeit anniversary

Mel F. Seidenberg in honor of Ben Rosenberg "In grateful appreciation for you preparing my 2022 Federal and State Income taxes."

**In honor of**

Mel F. Seidenberg on the engagement of his grandson, Adam Seidenberg and Naomi Polansky by Judy and Marshall Kupchan

Eunice and Bruce Hershman in grateful appreciation of their Passover hospitality by Mel F. Seidenberg  
Ben Rosenberg "In grateful appreciation for your preparing my 2022 Federal and State Income taxes. Thank you, Mel."

**In memory of**

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**Iyar / Sivan 5783**

**Friday, May 5**  
Light Candles.....7:32 pm

**Shabbat, May 6**  
**15 Iyar 5783**  
Torah Reading: Emor

**Friday, May 12**  
Light Candles..... 7:40 pm

**Shabbat, May 13**  
**22 Iyar 5783**  
Torah Reading: Behar - Bechukotai

**Friday, May 19**  
Light Candles..... 7:47 pm

**Shabbat, May 20**  
**29 Iyar 5783**  
Torah Reading: Bemidbar

**Friday, May 26**  
**Shavuot Day 1**  
Light Candles.....7:53 pm

**Shabbat, May 27**  
**7 Sivan 5783**  
**Shavuot Day 2**

The office will be closed on  
Monday, May 29 in observance of  
Memorial Day





## Sivan / Tammuz 5783

### Friday, June 2

Light Candles.....7:59 pm

### Shabbat, June 3

14 Sivan 5783

Torah Reading: Naso

### Friday, June 9

Light Candles..... 8:04 pm

### Shabbat, June 10

21 Sivan 5783

Torah Reading: Beha'alotcha

### Friday, June 16

Light Candles.....8:07 pm

### Shabbat, June 17

27 Sivan 5783

Torah Reading: Shelach

B-Mitzvot: Charlie and Dylan Drake

### Friday, June 23

Light Candles.....8:09 pm

### Shabbat, June 24

5 Tammuz 5783

Torah Reading: Korach

### Friday, June 30

Light Candles.....8:09 pm









### Shabbat, July 1

12 Tammuz 5783

Torah Reading: Hukkat - Balak










# Beth Hillel Bnai Emunah Calendar of Events

## May 2023 Iyar / Sivan 5783

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 10 Iyar Budget and Finance Break-out Group Meeting	2 11 Iyar Legacy Meeting	3 12 Iyar Psalms with Rabbi Crane Rabbi Crane Talmud Class (virtual and in-person) Sisterhood General Board Meeting	4 13 Iyar Sisterhood Mah Jongg	5 14 Iyar Families with Littles  7:33	6 15 Iyar Emor B-Mitzvah: Max Jobrack Lundy  8:36
7 16 Iyar Academy Drop-in Meet with BHBE Board Lox Box Pick-up Yoga	8 17 Iyar	9 18 Iyar Lag B'Omer	10 19 Iyar Psalms with Rabbi Crane Rabbi Crane Talmud Class (virtual and in-person) Youth Lounge Night	11 20 Iyar Sisterhood Mah Jongg Special Board Meeting Executive Board Meeting	12 21 Iyar  7:41	13 22 Iyar Behar-Bechukotai  8:44
14 23 Iyar Mother's Day	15 24 Iyar	16 25 Iyar	17 26 Iyar Psalms with Rabbi Crane Rabbi Crane Talmud Class (virtual and in-person) LGBTQ+ Meeting Men's Club Board Meeting	18 27 Iyar Sisterhood Mah Jongg Sisterhood Executive Board Meeting (in-person)	19 28 Iyar  7:48	20 29 Iyar Shabbat M'Varekhim Ha'hodesh Sivan Youth Shabbat Bemidbar  8:51
21 1 Sivan B-Mitzvah: Joseph Masliansky Yoga Academy Gathering (Wilmette Beach)	22 2 Sivan Sisterhood Culminating Dinner	23 3 Sivan	24 4 Sivan Psalms with Rabbi Crane Rabbi Crane Talmud Class (virtual and in-person)	25 5 Sivan Sisterhood Mah Jongg Tikkun Leil Shavuot	26 6 Sivan Shavuot Day 1  7:54	27 7 Sivan Birthday Shabbat Shavuot Day 2 Yizkor  8:57
28 8 Sivan Yoga (virtual)	29 9 Sivan Memorial Day (office closed)	30 10 Sivan	31 11 Sivan Psalms with Rabbi Crane Rabbi Crane Talmud			

# Beth Hillel Bnai Emunah Calendar of Events

## June 2023 Nisan / Iyar 5783

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 12 Sivan Sisterhood Mah Jongg	2 13 Sivan  8:00	3 14 Sivan Naso Legacy Shabbat  9:03
4 15 Sivan Yoga (virtual)	5 16 Sivan	6 17 Sivan	7 18 Sivan Psalms with Rabbi Crane Rabbi Crane Talmud Class (virtual and in-person)	8 19 Sivan Executive Board Meeting	9 20 Sivan  8:05	10 21 Sivan Beha'alotcha  9:07
11 22 Sivan Yoga (virtual) Gala	12 23 Sivan	13 24 Sivan	14 25 Sivan Rabbi Crane Talmud Class (virtual and in-person)	15 26 Sivan Sisterhood Executive Board Meeting	16 27 Sivan  8:08	17 28 Sivan Shabbat M'Varekhim Ha'hodesh Tammuz  9:10
18 29 Sivan Yoga (virtual)	19 30 Sivan <b>Office Closed in observance of Juneteenth</b>	20 1 Tammuz	21 2 Tammuz Rabbi Crane Talmud Class (virtual and in-person) Men's Club Board Meeting	22 3 Tammuz Sisterhood Mah Jongg	23 4 Tammuz Shabbat at the Beach (Wilmette Beach)  7:21	24 5 Tammuz Korach Pride Shabbat  8:25
25 6 Tammuz Pride Parade	26 7 Tammuz	27 8 Tammuz	28 9 Tammuz Rabbi Crane Talmud Class (virtual and in-person) General Board Meeting	29 10 Tammuz Sisterhood Mah Jongg	30 11 Tammuz  8:10	

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