

Adar I & Adar II

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From the Cantor's Desk:

We're halfway through the Adar 1, and that means we're almost at Purim! (And then Pesach!!). Purim is one of our most joyous holidays.

Megillat Esther is a true black comedy of questionable historical accuracy, and we are instructed to poke fun and be raucous during the reading. In fact, the whole month of Adar is one long April Fool's Day, if you're really traditional. The four mitzvot we are to observe on Purim, according to "Chazal" (the Sages, may their memories be for blessings) is 1. Hear *Megillat Esther* read, 2. *Mishloach Manot* – giving gifts, particularly food and snacks 3. *Matanot L'evyonim* – gifts to the poor, particularly the equivalent to a meal for at least two people, and 4. Participate in a festive meal, a *seudah*. One thing that is required for all of these things is a community!

As we all know, a party is no fun if you are alone. My request is to each of you to join us in the community for Purim (we will be reading *Megillah* and having a Purim Spiel Saturday evening March 23) in particular, and at any other community service, whether that is Shabbat evening, Shabbat morning, a Thursday morning or Sunday morning. It would be so heartwarming to have a minyan at these times.

Building relationships takes time and commitment. If services are not feasible, join us for Adult Education – we will be finishing our series on Simon Schama's "The Story of the Jews" and starting a new series in April using The Way of Solomon, by Rami Shapiro as the text-- Book Club or let me know what floats your boat.

I look forward to celebrating and connecting with you!



JOSEPH AND GERTRUDE BOWMAN JEWISH FILM STUDIES
presents:

THEODORE BIKEL- "IN THE SHOES OF SHOLOM ALEICHEM" (2014)

Join us for this uplifting documentary: Portraits of 2 beloved icons—
Sholom Aleichem and Theodore Bikel

They are woven together into this enchanting documentary. This shows us that they have much in common: wit, wisdom and talent, all shot through with deep humanity and Yiddishkeit. This film combines Bikel's charismatic storytelling and masterful performances with a broader exploration of Aleichem's remarkable life and work.



PERSONAL

Congregation Beth Israel sends out sincere condolences to the following families for their recent losses:

- Alec Pleet, Jesse Pleet, Tracy Pleet Troain, for their beloved father, David Pleet on February 17, 2024.
- Donna Kaplan (wife), Stephen Kaplan, Pamela Kaplan & Bryan Kaplan (children), for their beloved husband and father, Mel Kaplan on February 25, 2024.



Adar I March

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| 21 | 1 | Adele Weinberg— Mother of Lois Weiner |
| 25 | 5 | Morris Chaitt— Father of Marsha Grosky |
| 26 | 6 | Jonathan Feller— Brother of Elizabeth Feller-Ballot |
| 29 | 9 | Eunice Lazin— Mother of Lynn Lazin Thompson |
| 29 | 9 | Eunice Lazin— Mother of Malcolm Lazin |

Adar II March

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| 2 | 12 | Bruce Howard— Husband of Sandra Howard |
| 6 | 16 | Leon Grosky— Father of Aaron Grosky |
| 9 | 19 | Isadore Berliner— Grandfather of Iris Alster |
| 11 | 21 | Lester J. Kantor, M.D.— Father of Judith Clark |
| 13 | 23 | Labe Magdule— Father of Stuart Magdule |
| 13 | 23 | Labe Magdule— Husband of Zelda Magdule |
| 14 | 24 | Joel Breitstein— Brother of Norma Segal |
| 16 | 26 | David Tucker— Husband of Norma Segal |
| 17 | 27 | Gretta Christison— Mother of Gretchen Weintraub |

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Y A H R Z E I T S:

Stacey Knarr	Fred Shattls	Mollie Bronstein
Carolyn Frankhauser	Linda Siegel	Stan Shankroff
Lois Weiner	Bert Weintraub	

ESTHER & SAMUEL CLARK YOUTH ACTIVITIES FUND

Dr & Mrs Joseph Clark

HOLOCAUST SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION FUND

Mr & Mrs Thomas Schaffer

BULLETIN DEADLINE FOR APRIL: March 18th

President of the Month & Next: Dr. Joseph Clark

March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 CL 5:35 PM 7:30PM Service/ Hybrid	2 9:30AM Service/ Hybrid
3 9AM Minyan/ Hybrid	4	5	6	7 7:30AM Minyan/ Hybrid	8 CL 5:42 PM 7:30PM Service/ Hybrid	9 9:30AM Service/ Hybrid
10 Movie 1PM <i>Daylight savings</i>	11	12	13 <i>Book Club 7:30 PM</i>	14 7:30AM Minyan/ Hybrid <i>Adult Education 7PM—Hybrid</i>	15 CL 6:50 PM 7:30PM Service/ Hybrid	16 9:30AM Service/ Hybrid
17 9AM Minyan/ Hybrid PURIM rehearsal 2PM <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	18 BULLETIN DEADLINE	19 LVC Interfaith Dialogue	20	21 7:30AM Minyan/ Hybrid	22 CL 6:57 PM 7:30PM Service/ Hybrid	23 9:30AM Service/ Hybrid Purim—Megillah & Party at 7:45PM
24 9AM Minyan/ Hybrid—following with Moment Magazine & Soup pickup Purim	25 BOARD MEETING 7PM	26	27	28:30AM Min- yan/ Hybrid	29 CL 7:04 PM 7:30PM Service/ Hybrid	30 9:30AM Service/ Hybrid
31 9AM Minyan/ Hybrid	<h1>Let's Celebrate !!</h1> <h2>the Birthdays & Anniversaries in March!</h2>					

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Stephen & Anita
Winer

Zelda Magdule

Bert Weintraub

Thomas Siegel

Marcia Buzgon

Elliot & Mindy
Lisman

Lynn Lazin
Thompson

Betsy Cetron

Ed & Sharon
Greenebaum

Megan Grosky-
McGowan

Merle Raab

Debbie Schaffer

Warren & Mary
Rich

James Sligh

Sammi Parmer

BOOK CLUB

On Wednesday, March 13th at 7:30PM via zoom. Join us as we discuss *On the Chocolate Trail* by Rabbi Deborah R. Prinz. Reviewed by Gene Gilman



PURIM
MARCH 23, 2024
7:45PM
CALLING ALL SPIELERS! WE NEED YOU!
JOIN US TO BRING THE MEGILLAH TO LIFE.
REHEARSAL MARCH 17
2PM
FROM THE IMAGINATION OF
LIZ FELLER - SURE TO BE
LOTS OF FUN!
RSVP



Scan me!

Moment Magazine!
Discussion with Fred Horowitz at
10:30AM following service on
Sunday, March 24th

Lunch & Learn Program

On **April 1st** from 12PM (noon) - 1PM
there will be a lunch and learn at the
synagogue. It will also be available on
zoom. Bring parve or dairy lunch!

PASSOVER

Monday,
April 22



HADASSAH

Hamas terrorists filmed and shared videos of the countless women and girls they raped and mutilated. Their heinous acts are war crimes. We must hold Hamas accountable and show the world that we will not allow rape to be used as a weapon of war.

Hadassah has been speaking out for women and the people of Israel for 112 years. Weaponizing sexual violence is never acceptable. Not anywhere. Now is the time to speak out for these victims. **#EndTheSilence**

Please go to the Hadasah website read and sign the Petition to United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres

Demand justice and accountability!

Sisterhood News

Thank you to everyone who purchased soup from Sisterhood!
DON'T FORGET TO PICK THEM UP!!

WHEN: Sunday, March 24th 2024

WHERE: In the synagogue. Please ring bell at kitchen entrance.

TIME: 10:30AM

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