



## Cheers to a New Director



Staff and pupils in TI's Early Childhood Center ensured the center's incoming director, Sheri Brown, felt fully appreciated in advance of beginning her first school year in charge this fall. This display appeared in mid-summer in the first-floor hallway at the synagogue. Brown will oversee a preschool program that is counted on to bring in almost half of the synagogue's \$1.5 million in budgeted revenue in 2018-19. (Photo by Jay P. Goldman)

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### WEEKLY RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Monday	7:30 p.m.
Tuesday	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	7:30 p.m.
Thursday	6:45 a.m. 7:30 p.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat	6:30 p.m.
Shabbat	9:30 a.m.
Sunday	9:00 a.m. 7:30 p.m.

Services also held at Shiva houses as needed. Morning service times may change for Rosh Chodesh, minor fasts and national holidays.

Watch e-mail for notifications.

### CANDLELIGHTING TIMES

Sept. 7	7:10 pm
Sept. 9*	7:07 pm
Sept. 10*	8:06 pm
Sept. 14	6:59 pm
Sept. 18*	6:53 pm
Sept. 21	6:48 pm
Sept. 23*	6:45 pm
Sept. 24*	7:43 pm
Sept. 28	6:37 pm
Sept. 30*	6:33 pm
Oct. 1*	7:32 pm
Oct. 5	6:26 pm
Oct. 12	6:15 pm
Oct. 19	6:05 pm
Oct. 26	5:56 pm

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## Take Us Out to the Ballpark



In the congregation's mid-summer outing to the ballpark on Aug. 19, about three dozen TI members enjoyed each other's company in the upper deck (but not so much the Washington Nationals' dispirited and lopsided loss to Miami). The Women's Network organizes the annual event.

## Shul Shorts

### LOBBY PROJECT POSTPONED

Due to a far longer than anticipated processing of Tikvat Israel's requested construction permit by Montgomery County government, the synagogue's major lobby overhaul has been rescheduled to begin in October after the fall holidays. The renovation project's planning began more than a year ago, and the most recent timetable called for the revamped lobby to be completed just before Rosh Hashanah. Watch for further status reports in *B'kesher*.

### LIBRARY VOLUNTEERING



The Tikvat Israel Library Committee could use help creating an electronic database of the books in the Herman J. Flax Library. Especially welcome are some teen volunteers, who can earn Student Service Learning hours at the same time. Flexible hours.

Contact Janice Rosenberg at [jzevarosenberg@yahoo.com](mailto:jzevarosenberg@yahoo.com) or 301-460-1629.

### TUTORIAL ON TAHARA

As a follow-up to last fall's bereavement symposium, "End of Life Matters," there will be an informational session on Tahara at 10 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 7, in Room A inside the sanctuary. Learn about Tahara, caring for and preparing the body for burial, and the function of the Chevra Kadisha, the men and women trained to perform this mitzvah.

Contact Marilyn Greenwood at [marilynrgreenwood@yahoo.com](mailto:marilynrgreenwood@yahoo.com) for more details.

### A CALL FOR ATHLETES

If you would consider competing on Tikvat Israel's men's basketball team this winter, please contact player-coach Warren Berger. If softball is your game, you should connect with Stu Lempert about playing next spring.

If you are a TI member or have a child enrolled in the Atid Center or the early childhood center at TI, you are eligible to suit up for the TI teams. Both basketball and softball teams play in the Montgomery County Synagogue League.

Contact Berger at [warren.berger@gmail.com](mailto:warren.berger@gmail.com) and Lempert at [stuartlempert@yahoo.com](mailto:stuartlempert@yahoo.com).





## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

# The Arrival of Fall and Renewed Activity

BY MELANIE GRISHMAN, TIKVAT ISRAEL PRESIDENT



Fall actually begins on Sept. 22. However, we are all attuned to speak of fall with the beginning of the school year and with the coming of the High Holidays.

As I look forward to the beginning of fall, there are several activities that stand out.

Rosh Hashanah begins Sept. 9, and then all of the other holidays roll out before us. There are days of contemplation, prayer, remembrance, atonement and joyous celebration. This year we will celebrate Simchat Torah by honoring Sally Kram and Rodney Matheson. (See related story, page 4.)

On Oct. 19, a group of approximately 45 congregants will travel to Pearlstone Conference Center in Baltimore County for our first congregational kallah. The weekend has been planned by a group headed by Felicia Black. We will all spend Shabbat together in prayer, learning, enjoying nature and getting to know each other in new ways. (See page 18.)

My third expectation for fall is the work on our synagogue's lobby. The concept of a new welcoming space is exciting. This is the last of our capital projects to improve the building. Of course, we all know that maintaining a building is a never-ending process and there will be more projects in the future, but this will complete the facility upgrades we began several years ago with repairing the roof, re-carpeting the sanctuary, re-surfacing the parking lot, replacing the social hall's ceiling tiles and replacing several of our air conditioning units.

Best wishes to all for a joyous fall season.

## Mazel Tov

to **Nancy and Jonathan Solomon**, upon the wedding of daughter Shayna Solomon to Alex Margolis on Aug. 5 in Oxford, England.

to **Tamah Graber**, upon the marriage of her daughter Cynthia Graber to Tim Buntel, on Aug. 19 in Somerville, Mass.

to **Janice and Bob Balin** on the birth of granddaughter Kali Elizabeth Balin, the daughter of Danny Balin and Kate Callahan.

to **Danny Balin**, son of Bob and Janice Balin, on qualifying for the PGA Championship Golf Tournament in St. Louis in August, one of 20 PGA professionals from around the country to qualify.

# National Women's Group Creates Leadership Fund to Honor Shelly Goldin

The Women's League for Conservative Judaism is honoring the late Shelly Goldin, z"l, a past president of Tikvat Israel, for her years of



**Shelly Goldin served from 2003 to 2006 as president of Tikvat Israel Congregation.**

volunteer leadership to the national organization. She passed away on June 18.

The league has created the Shelly Goldin Memorial Leadership Institute Scholarship Fund, which will be used to carry on her work in supporting female Jewish volunteer leaders.

Shelly served the Women's League's Seaboard Region as president, a consultant and personnel committee chair and served as the league's interna-

tional vice president. Most recently, she served as the lead trainer for the group's leadership institutes. She developed the second phase of the training initiative known as the Organization Management Institute.

Shelly chaired the Tikvat Israel Sisterhood chapter (Women's Network) and served on its governing committee for many years. She created the book discussion group for the Sisterhood that meets 4-5 times a year at TI. She spent two terms as president of the congregation.

In remarks sent to Women's League members across the nation about her death, Margie Miller, president of the national body, wrote: "She was articulate, engaging, humorous and truly was a 'trainer's trainer.' Everyone who had the privilege of being taught by Shelly greatly respected her ability, leadership, and profound sense of practical solutions to the everyday challenges we face."

You can contribute to the scholarship fund in honor of Shelly at the Women's League for Conservative Judaism, 475 Riverside Drive, Suite 820, New York, N.Y. 10115.



**Shelly Goldin (seated center) launched the book discussion group with the Women's Network at TI.**

# Sally Kram, Rod Matheson to be Feted on Simchat Torah as Our Congregation's Volunteers of the Year

In recognition of their volunteer leadership in various aspects of Tikvat Israel's life, Sally Kram and Rodney Matheson will be honored as the 5779 *Kallat Bereshit* and *Chattan Torah* on Simchat Torah.

Their recognition on the holiday, which takes place on Tuesday, Oct. 2, will include special aliyot during the Torah service as well as a luncheon in their honor following services in the social hall. (Donations toward the luncheon may be sent to the synagogue office.)

Literally "the bride of the beginning" and "groom of the Torah," the *Kallat Bereshit* and *Chattan Torah* awards are presented each year to two deserving Tikvat Israel congregants or staff members who have made significant contributions to the synagogue's spiritual, educational and/or cultural life.

In notifying the two about this fall's recognition, Executive Director Sam Freedenberg said, "They've both been leaders and innovators over the last several years and 'above and beyonders' whom we can really count on and who enhance the life of our community in so many ways."

Brief profiles of both award winners follow.

## Sally Kram

A native of York, Pa., she joined TI with spouse Neil in 2004. They have two daughters.

Her extensive TI volunteer leadership roles over the years include the following: member, ECC fundraising committee; chair, adult education committee; chair, Israeli Film Festival; co-chair, Year of Science (2017-18); and TI board member.



Kram has sustained a 13-year tradition of screening a pair of recent Israeli films, followed by group discussions, each winter. She's done so by creating a partnership with the Israeli Embassy on film selection and facilitation of the discussions. She has arranged for Israeli food and brought in a corporate sponsor.

The two-year-old TI University program is also a product of Kram's leadership. The program has included a continuing partnership with Theater J, and she has encouraged more congregants to serve as topical instructors. She revived the Scholar's Weekend as part of the Year of Science, a year-long initiative with wide congregant participation.

Professionally, she is director of public and governmental affairs for the Consortium of Universities of the Washington Metropolitan Area. She's in her 23<sup>rd</sup> year at this position in which she executes local government relations strategy for 17 members of the organization, including American University, Catholic University, George Mason University, George Washington University, Georgetown University and Howard University.

Kram holds a B.A. in English and political science from Penn State University and a J.D. from George Washington University.

## Rodney Matheson

A native of Johannesburg, South Africa, he joined TI with his spouse Nancy in 2001. They have one daughter.

He served two years as a TI governing board member followed by three years as vice president for administration and 2 ½ years as co-president and two years as past president, an official role on the board.



During the past year, Matheson created and managed a congregational survey, whose findings will be used by the board of directors in planning the shul's future. He conducted a series of affinity focus groups in the spring and summer to give congregants a chance to flesh out the findings.

Matheson also facilitated an important meeting between the *gabbaim gedolim* and the Religious Practices Committee and led a focus group on Shabbat morning services. While highly charged comments were expressed, his pleasant and calm demeanor made participants feel as though they were able to communicate and be heard during the process.

In the years since ending his term as a board officer, he says he has kept "paying it forward" through involvement with board initiatives and as a member of the Year of Science organizing committee.

Matheson has 22 years of work experience in training and organization development. He has worked for Prince George's Hospital Center, Frederick Regional Healthcare System and Charles E. Smith Life Communities, where he is currently employed.

Matheson moved to the U.S. in 1986 and has lived in Connecticut, Ohio and Maryland. He holds a B.S. degree from University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg in industrial psychology and commercial law and an M.S. from Towson State University in human resource development.

## BRIDGE PLAY RESUMES MONTHLY

After a summer hiatus, Bridge Nights at TI's Flax Library will resume in September on the first Wednesday from 8-10 p.m.

The next card-playing sessions are scheduled for Sept. 5 and Oct. 3. "We'll play duplicate if we get three tables or more, or party bridge (Chicago scoring) if we get two tables," said Bridge Night master Linc Hallen.

For more info, contact Linc Hallen at [lincoln117@verizon.net](mailto:lincoln117@verizon.net) or Tami Gilston at [tgilston@comcast.net](mailto:tgilston@comcast.net).



## SHULL TO SHUL

# Blessing for 5779: Never to Walk Alone

BY RABBI BENJAMIN SHULL



*Note: This column is dedicated in honor of my amazing wife on our 20<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.*

Twenty-two years ago, I was going through a particularly difficult time in life. I was divorced. I was starting a new job. I was letting go of my dream of moving to Israel. I was really struggling. Fortunately, God stood by me and sent me a blessing ... my Stacy.

My wife Stacy brought many wonderful things to my life. At the top of the list, her kindness, her sense of humor, her passion for living and her words of wisdom. Most of those words of wisdom are original to her, yet some she borrowed from others.

When we first met, Stacy had the following words framed and mounted on her office wall. Here they are: "YOUR LIFE IS A SACRED JOURNEY ... and it is about change, growth, discovery, transformation, continuously expanding your vision of what is possible, stretching your soul. ... YOU ARE ON THE PATH ... exactly where you are meant to be right now. ... And from here, you can only go forward, shaping your life story into a magnificent tale of triumph, of healing, of courage, beauty, wisdom, power, dignity, and love."

Wow, as I write those words, I can still feel the soothing balm of the phrase, "YOU ARE ON THE PATH ... exactly where you

are meant to be right now." I had devoted so much psychic energy to resenting where I was, even denying where I was, the thought that my place in life was where I was meant to be was incredibly liberating. I had to accept my life story and own my life story before I could move on to shape my life story.

Though the author of these words, Caroline Joy Adams, is probably not Jewish, I want to thank Adams for providing all of us a wonderful *kavannah* (meditation) for this time of year, the days immediately preceding the High Holy Days. Our sages of blessed memory also saw life as a sacred journey, a *derech* we must navigate individually and collectively. There are many twists and turns along this *derech* and, at times, we will feel lost and confused. But we must never forget that on this sacred life journey, we are never alone. I am never alone.

First and foremost, God is with me *atta e'emade* (You are with me), but also the Jewish people are with me. This is the power of the *Yamim Noraim*. We are reminded of God's presence, and we are reminded, sometimes rather rudely, in a crowded lobby or overflowing sanctuary, of the presence of *amcha*, the Jewish people.

Every Jew has sinned, screwed up, faltered and failed, and through that collective imperfection, we are made whole and strong and hopeful.

*Shana tovah*, a good new year 5779. May we never walk alone!

## ADULT EDUCATION

# Einstein Talk Plus Politics and Films on Upcoming Docket

BY SALLY KRAM, ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE CHAIR



A new program year will kick off this fall with a lecture related to the Year of Science initiative that began last fall at Tikvat Israel.

On Sunday, Oct. 28, Professor Alan Breidler, who teaches in the field of computer information systems and technology at University of Maryland University College, will deliver a lecture on the impact of Albert Einstein and his views on science and religion. Join friends for a nosh at 10 a.m. followed by a fascinating look at one of the most monumental figures of science and Judaism. The program takes place in the social hall.

In November, the Adult Education Committee hopes to bring back an old favorite—a program featuring prominent journalists discussing "what just happened" in the midterm elections. It is tentatively scheduled for 10 a.m. on Nov. 11.

In December, we will once again host Maryland House

Delegate (and TI congregant) Anne Kaiser to preview the upcoming Maryland State 2019 legislative session in Annapolis. Her appearance is set for 10 a.m. on Dec. 2 in the social hall.

In January, Tikvat Israel and the Adult Education Committee will once again host "Israel Presents: Two Nights of Israeli Film." TI will mount some of the best in Israeli cinema, in partnership with the Israeli Embassy. A delicious dessert reception and facilitated discussion will follow both films, which are scheduled to be shown in the sanctuary on Jan. 19 and 26. Join us for one of TI's signature evening activities.

The Adult Education Committee also seeks instructors for Tikvat Israel U 2019. All instructors are asked to prepare a 10-minute presentation on a topic of likely interest to others and be ready to answer questions about the talk. Join us on Feb. 24 for one of the most exhilarating yearly events.

Volunteers are encouraged to help with these activities, especially Israel Presents. Contact Sally Kram at [kram@consortium.org](mailto:kram@consortium.org).



## CANTOR'S CORNER

# Memorial Services Set for Two Area Cemeteries

BY CANTOR ROCHELLE HELZNER



### Cemetery Services

Tikvat Israel will join other congregations this year for a memorial service in advance of the High Holy Days conducted by the clergy in remembrance of all departed. The service is set for 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 16, at Judean Memorial Gardens in Olney.

This is a long-standing, uplifting custom of including the memories of our loved ones as part of our personal reflections for the High Holy Day season. Members of the Tikvat Israel community are welcome to attend, whether or not they have a loved one buried there.

At the end of the service, Rabbi Ben Shull will be available to chant *El Moleh Rachamim* at the individual grave sites, if requested. Alternatively, he will provide prayer sheets so individuals can chant/recite it themselves.

In addition, a cemetery service will take place at Yom Hazikaron, Garden of Remembrance in Clarksburg, at 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 16, conducted by other Washington-area clergy.

### Selichot

This will be held on Saturday evening, Sept. 1, at Tikvat Israel jointly with other area congregations. It begins with *havdalah* and a dessert reception at 9:30 p.m. followed by an innovative Selichot service at 10 p.m.

The service will include traditional and contemporary prayers and melodies. Also, we will offer times for discussion, reflection and meditation on the important themes of the High Holy Days -- repentance and renewal.

### Kabbalat Shabbat with Instruments

This uplifting Shabbat evening service includes spirited melodies both traditional and new, accompanied by guitar, piano, bass and percussion. It is held in the Flax Library at 6:15 p.m. on specially scheduled Shabbatot. A pre-service sponsored reception commences at 5:45 p.m. Please consider being a sponsor.

The service is open to people of all ages. During the coming year, this service will be held on Oct. 26, Jan. 25, March 8 and May 10.

### Shabbat Morning Davening Schedule

Cantor Helzner will daven on the bima on Shabbat mornings on the following dates: Sept. 1 and 15, Oct. 20 and 27, and Nov. 10 and 24. Other dates TBA.

The davening roles on the other Shabbatot will be covered by five teams of congregants. If you have not been assigned a team and would like to be part of helping to lead services or would like to learn a part of the service, contact Susan Apter ([apter4@gmail.com](mailto:apter4@gmail.com)). She will gladly connect you with a team/coach.

## WOMEN'S NETWORK

# Art, Cooking and Dance Added to Stuffed Schedule

BY JANICE BALIN, WOMEN'S NETWORK COORDINATOR

Based upon the lively and exciting discussion at a program planning meeting for 2018-19, the Tikvat Israel Women's Network is expecting a successful year ahead. You won't want to miss what's in store.

The traditional programs will continue -- a book discussion group, the Women's Network Shabbat and a family baseball outing -- but we also are planning art projects with Shirley Waxman, a cooking class with Beth Smith, Israeli dancing, study sessions and Rosh Hodesh programs, and community service projects with the nearby Harmony Hills Elementary School.

The Women's Network also plans to co-sponsor programs with other TI groups, such as the Latke and Lights program during Hanukah and a Martin Luther King Jr. service activity in January. Other activities will be added as the year proceeds so be sure to read *B'kesher* weekly.

Our first book group meeting will be on Wednesday, Oct. 17, immediately following evening minyan (approximately 7:45 p.m.). The book under discussion is *A Remarkable Kindness* by Diana Bletter. The discussion will be led by Bobbi Gorban. The book group meets in the Flax Library.

Lastly, Brenda Brooks volunteered to take over the treasurer post for the Woman's Network. I have held that role for more than 10 years so we are thankful to Brenda for volunteering.

Please support the Women's Network and the Women's League for Conservative Judaism's Torah Fund (see related story, page 11). Fill out the forms included in the High Holiday mailing in mid-August to become a dues-paying member of the Women's Network.

Watch for information about upcoming activities on the bookmarks that will be distributed on Rosh Hashanah with event information shared on the TI listserv and in *B'kesher*.



Among those planning the year ahead recently for the Women's Network were (from left), Rebecca Salon, Ellen Kaminow, Janice Balin and Robbi Cohen. (Photo by Felicia R. Black)

## EDUCATION AND YOUTH

# Challenging Curriculum Coming to Our Classes

BY LUISA MOSS, DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH PROGRAMMING



As the summer drifts away and we head into high gear with the High Holidays, the return to school and resumption of our youth programming is upon us.

I am thrilled to share with you an exciting project I have been working on this summer to create a spiral curriculum for our holiday studies at Atid Learning Center. The idea behind a spiral curriculum is to create a scaffolding of content material for each of the holidays for each grade level. The goal is that basic vocabulary, symbols and traditions would be covered in early years and while those topics would be reviewed in each sequential year, new and higher levels of material and self-reflection would be uncovered.

I hope the curriculum will challenge students to confront Judaism's big ideas, providing deeper-level learning and an understanding of why they are learning the subject matter rather than just a jumble of facts and activities.

Atid Learning Center is looking forward to welcoming the return of Josh Hare, our music teacher, this year for our *Manginah L'Atid*, Music for the Future program. Thank you to the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington for funding this program for a second year.

Tikvat Israel, along with B'nai Israel, Beth El of Montgomery County, B'nai Tzedek and Har Shalom, are collaborating on several programs this year that are funded by the Jewish Federation. One such program is a teacher training program on using different modalities such as drama, technology, movement and art in the classroom. Each school will introduce basic concepts to their teachers at their respective back-to-school staff training. All schools will gather in November and February for workshops together. Our goal is to push teachers out of their comfort zones and explore different ways of teaching material as well as to understand how these modalities can create new entry points for students to connect to the content they are learning.

The five congregations also are partnering on various teen events, including a play about relationships, a Hanukkah-themed Battle of the Bands, an Amazing Race interactive program about Israel and a civil rights journey to the South with Etgar 36 at the end of the school year.

I look forward to finding ways for all of our synagogue youth in grades K-12 to get involved and connect with other Jewish kids in our congregation. Feel free to contact me at [luisa@tikvatisrael.org](mailto:luisa@tikvatisrael.org).

Wishing you and your family a Shana Tova, a sweet year filled with learning, making new friends and building community!

## UPCOMING SCHEDULE

### Atid Learning Center

Sunday, Sept. 16, opening day of classes

### Shabbat Programming

Saturday, Oct. 6, Junior Congregation (grades 3-6), 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, Oct. 6, Kehilat Kids (grades K-2), 11 a.m.

### Youth Group Events

Sunday, Sept. 30, Bonim (K-2) kickoff activity

Sunday, Oct. 28, Machar (grades 3-5), kickoff activity

## USYers Wheel into Rockville for Overnight Stay

More than a dozen Tikvat Israel families opened up their homes to host out-of-town teenagers participating in the USY on Wheels East bus trip in mid-July.

Forty-one so-called "Wheelniks," including TI's own Eli Liebenson, were dropped at Tikvat Israel by tour bus for a group dinner on July 19 before host families transported them to their homes for the overnight stay and provided hearty breakfasts the following morning. The USYers led spirited evening and morning minyan services at TI.

USY on Wheels East is a four-week tour along the East Coast exclusively for teens entering the 8th and 9th grades. The trip began and finished in New Jersey. The journey extended as far north as Toronto and as far south as Florida with stops in Washington, D.C., and Philadelphia.

Coordinating the host families at TI were USY chapter advisor Melissa Apter and Luisa Moss, TI's director of education and youth programming.



**TI staff provided dinner to the teenage travelers who were part of the USY on Wheels bus tour that made an overnight stop in Rockville.**

The following families provided home hospitality: Avi and Roz Feldman, Anita and Melvin Brenner, Melissa Apter and Avi Bardack, Shirley Waxman and Joel

Bressler, Steve and Helen Raucher, Sheri and Matt Brown, Gary and Hillary Feldman, Tamah Graber, Jay Goldman and Rebecca Salon, Sally and Neil Kram, Vivian and Harley Liebenson, Elissa and Jason Schwartz, and Cliff and Betty Fishman.



## EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

# Piggybacking on TI Theme of 'Get Moving'

BY SHERI BROWN, ECC DIRECTOR



The ECC is excited to start the 2018-19 school year. We continue to offer a top-notch, child-centered program with a flexibility of hours found at few other places. Our dedicated, caring staff brings warmth, professionalism and excitement to each child every day. Our successful summer education just wrapped up, and staff spent a week studying, refreshing rooms and preparing for a new year.

This summer, the ECC used its theme of transportation to weave together fun, stimulating activities. Visits from a Montgomery County public librarian, a police officer, baby animals and others further enriched the children's experience.

As we look toward the new year, we will piggyback on the Tikvat Israel theme, "Get Moving." We will move our teaching practice forward as educators, move our children's bodies and minds to



**Children at the ECC constructed a 157-foot-long chain.**

facilitate deeper learning and move our community together as we work to support each other as families.

The greater Tikvat Israel community is always welcome to stop by and see us in action. We do have a few openings if you have friends or relatives looking for an amazing preschool. For more information or to set up a guided tour, please call Sandy Weiss in the ECC office (301-251-0455).



**Summer activities at the ECC kept the children fully engaged in fun stuff.**

## True Stories Brings Humor to Our Social Hall Nov. 4

The fifth show in the continuing series known as True Stories will be staged on Sunday, Nov. 4, at 2 p.m. in the Tikvat Israel social hall.

The show will feature the top humorous story tellers in the D.C. area and beyond. One who has agreed to perform is the current holder of the Humorous Speech Champion title of Washington, D.C. Other top storytelling headliners are expected to be part of the performing lineup too.



The show will again be hosted by Tikvat Israel's Toastmasters Club. John Melmed is the principal organizer.

If you've never been to a True Stories show, consider bringing your family and friends to see what all the excitement has been about these past five years. Watch for future details about scheduled performers, ticket availability and sponsorship opportunities.

Melmed can be contacted at [jrmelmed@comcast.net](mailto:jrmelmed@comcast.net).

## SHUL'S BLOOD DRIVE COLLECTS 23 PINTS

Tikvat Israel members and some folks from the surrounding community contributed 23 pints of blood in mid-June at the synagogue's annual blood drive.

Robbi and Larry Cohen chaired the event with support from several other shul volunteers.

Said Robbi: "If you weren't able to donate, please consider donating at your workplace or a Red Cross donation center. The Red Cross Parklawn Center is close to Tikvat Israel. Summer is typically the time of year when the Red Cross needs the most donations."



**A community member was one of those who heeded the call for donating blood at TI's annual donor drive in June. (Photo by Larry Cohen)**





### Gratitude for Bereavement Backing

On behalf of the Sohn family, I want to express our deepest thanks to the entire Tikvat Israel family for the love and support you showed to us during and after the shiva for our beloved husband and father Marvin Sohn. It is wonderful to have had nightly minyan and a home full of friends to ease us through our loss.

Marvin and I were so close for 63 years. His passing was made easier knowing we have Tikvat Israel by our side. Thank you again to everyone.

*Roma Sohn*

I want to take this opportunity to thank the Tikvat Israel community for the outpouring of love and support my family and I have received after the deaths of Shelly and my sister Joan. I cannot adequately express how much that support means to us. While I knew that Shelly was a major contributor to TI and the larger Jewish community, I did not fully realize how much she touched everyone with whom she interacted. It was one of her many unique gifts.

The support I have received from everyone at TI has been instrumental in the healing process. It clearly illustrates a point that Shelly and I both knew -- that being part of a caring community is critical in both the good times and the bad.

*Bruce Goldin*

We have been members of Tikvat Israel for some 35 years and have shared with our community our many joys and some of our sorrows. Yet in the last year, we have been truly amazed at the love, warmth and generosity of our fellow congregants.

It has been a rough year as we struggled with illness and the death of Phil's dad and then his mom. And TI has been there every step of the way. There was never a worry that there wouldn't be a minyan at our home. We have been the recipients of meals, chocolate babka, phone calls, donations, visits and prayers.

We can't begin to express our gratitude, so we will just try to live up to the example that you have set for us. Thank you.

*Hope and Phil Kott*

### Sterling Simcha Execution

Thank you to Sam Freedenberg so much for all his help coordinating and pulling off my parents' (Betty and Cliff Fishman) 50th anniversary simcha in June. His guidance and oversight were very much appreciated, and the proof is in the pudding — we all felt the event ran smoothly and came off seamlessly.

Thanks also to Amy Matathias, Liora Dahan, Dalit Baranoff and the catering and custodial staffs for all their efforts that made it such a special and joyful day.

*Sarah Fishman*

### Financial Gifts

On behalf of the board and staff of American Jewish World Service and our partners throughout the developing world, I thank Tikvat Israel Congregation for its generous gift of \$377.

When people are empowered to pursue their own destinies and have a voice in shaping solutions to the problems they face, they can overcome poverty, live with dignity and transform the lives of others. Your donation allows us to realize our belief that human rights is the essential first step to creating just societies and that promoting human rights is a way to act on the Jewish traditions of repairing the world and respecting the inherent dignity of all human beings.

*Robert Bank, President and CEO  
American Jewish World Service*

On behalf of the thousands of abused children and their families under ELI's expert care, I am writing to thank Tikvat Israel Congregation for its contribution of \$377 to American Friends of ELI.

When ELI was founded 38 years ago, child abuse was ignored by Israeli society and there was no recognition of its existence. Since then, ELI's mission has been to headline the numerous issues related to abuse and to develop multiple projects to address them. ELI's pioneering work has broken through social taboos, bureaucratic hurdles and social and cultural opposition in order to help the tens of thousands of victims.

Thank you for helping to give abused children in Israel a new and better life.

*Wendy Borodkin  
ELI: Israel Association for Child Protection*

On behalf of the Jewish Theological Seminary, please accept my heartfelt thanks for Tikvat Israel Congregation's support of JTS at the Chaverim level.

The Friends of JTS Campaign is an important partnership between JTS and Conservative synagogues throughout North America. Support from synagogues allows JTS to train extraordinary Jewish clergy, educators and leaders who go on to serve the Conservative movement and the broader Jewish community, touching Jews of all ages at all stages of the life cycle.

*Dana Hartman  
JTS Director of Annual Giving*

### Blood Donors Appreciated

On behalf of the American Red Cross, I would like to thank you and everyone at Tikvat Israel Congregation for coming out to support the blood drive on June 17. We are entering the slowest time of the year to collect donations, so every unit collected is really important in helping us maintain our inventory levels.

*David Hull, Account Representative  
American Red Cross Blood Services  
Greater Chesapeake & Potomac Regions*

# Connecting Bereavement at TI to a Wider Movement

BY LOUISE CHATLYNNE

At the 16<sup>th</sup> North American Chevrah Kadisha and Jewish Cemetery Conference in June, I found an assembly of like-minded people from the United States and Canada (plus one woman from Costa Rica). All of those attending this three-day event in Bethesda deal with matters of death and dying for their synagogues and communities.

One would expect the subject matter to be a real downer, but in reality it felt more like a huge hug. It was spiritually uplifting. Everyone supported each other and reminded us of how important this work is to the families we help when their loved ones are dying or have recently died. Most people deal with matters of death only when they must, but here was a group of people who have learned how to help people deal with these matters, make the transition meaningful and help families deal with the transition and preserve memories.

During my time at this three-day conference, I was constantly reminded of how well Tikvat Israel supports its members through this time of transition. I would like to remind you of what Tikvat Israel does.

We are all familiar with the support we give to grieving families with *shiva minyanim*, and often we will visit the family just to talk and support them during times when they are receiving visitors when it is not time for minyan. The rabbi and the cantor are ready to do meaningful funeral or memorial services for the departed.

Many congregants may not be aware that the members of Tikvat Israel also perform *tahara*, the ritual washing of the body before they wrap the departed in shrouds and place him or her in a coffin. This is a very meaningful ceremony to the participants, not unlike welcoming a baby into the world. But in this case, we help to free the soul of the departed (*meit*) to pass from this world to the *Olam haBah*, or the afterlife. These steps are handled with respect by members of the community, not done by professionals to whom it is merely a job.

Many of us at Tikvat Israel have been doing this for 30 years or more and are aging out. We would encourage younger members (those in their 40s and 50s) to step up. It takes no special training. One learns by doing and taking part. The idea seems strange at first, and many are hesitant to try, but once they have taken part, most are willing to do it again because of how meaningful the ritual is.

Another way we help is by providing *shomrim*, watchers who stay with the coffin before burial. Right now, we can only provide this service in the synagogue before and during funerals. We do not have enough volunteers to provide this service at other times from when the *meit* is placed in the coffin until the person is buried, and we need to pay the funeral home to provide the service if the family wants it.

Family members who are not direct mourners can also be *shomerim*. (Direct mourners usually are considered to be the mother, father, sister, brother, children and spouse of the deceased.) The *shomer* sits near the coffin and reads Psalms or studies holy texts while doing this mitzvah. We provide *shomrim* squads for funerals at the shul, but not at the funeral home.

Our synagogue has created its own booklet with all the information mourners need when a loved one is close to death or has recently died. The "Guide to Jewish Mourning Practices" can be accessed at <http://bit.ly/2P1Nlq9>. Additional informational resources can be located at <http://tikvatisrael.org/bereavement/>.

Jews deal with the memory of loved ones at every service where we recite the mourner's kaddish, and we have special Yizkor services on Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Pesach and Shavuot, plus on the anniversary of a loved one's death. Death is part of life. It is important to familiarize yourself with these rituals, so everything does not become overwhelming when a loved one dies.

## TI Havurah Picks 10 Charities for Financial Support

The Tzedakah Havurah of Tikvat Israel recently allocated nearly \$3,700 to 10 charitable groups and worthy causes.

In his annual report to the congregation, committee chair David Gantz reported that congregants and other shul visitors contributed \$3,739.45 to the tzedakah collection. That total came from the following sources: \$3,345.95 from morning and evening minyanim as well as individual donations and \$393.50 from the collections during Purim.

The committee retained \$156.94 in the account to begin the 2018-19 tzedakah year.

Contributions were designated by the committee to Mazon, Project Hope, Israel Free Loan Association, Jewish Foundation for Group Homes, Comfort Cases, Israel Association For Child Protection, American Jewish World Service, Stepping Stones Shelter, Jewish Coalition Against Domestic Abuse and the Rockville Emergency Assistance Program.

"For this year, in order to boost the individual dollar amount of each allocation, the havurah had to pare down our total allocations over previous years," Gantz said in his report. "We will make every effort to include some of the allocations that were not made this year and make them next year."

Gantz said that the Tzedakah Havurah is able to make donations "because of the everyday generosity of the Tikvat Israel congregants."

Those interested in joining the havurah for its allocation discussions can contact any member. The havurah consists of Hope Kott, Dan Jacobs, Robbi Cohen and Elyse Bernstein. Gantz can be reached at [dgantz16@verizon.net](mailto:dgantz16@verizon.net).



## THE ENVIRONMENTAL FRIENDLINESS OF JEWISH BURIAL

BY LOUISE CHATLYNNE

The subject addressed at the 16th North American Chevrah Kadisha and Jewish Cemetery Conference in June that gave me the most to think about dealt with burial and cremation. I attended several presentations on those topics during the conference.

Currently, it is common (non-Jewish) practice in the U.S. to embalm cadavers, which keeps the body from decomposing for a long time. It also allows the body to be viewed in the open casket before burial, a tradition in Christian communities. Embalming fluids include formaldehyde, glutaraldehyde and methanol, which have harmful effects on soil, making them unfriendly to the environment.

Many rules concerning burial in cemeteries are intended to prevent these chemicals from leeching into the soil. These measures include six-foot-deep burial, the use of clays well below topsoil and placement of the casket in a cement vault. These measures are used to protect the worms, insects and fungi that break down organic matter, creating soil.

Fancy caskets do not degrade well. The hard woods prevent normal deterioration, and the metal adornments are not environmentally friendly.

Cremation is widely thought to reduce the environmental impact of traditional burials because the cremains take up far less space and do not require burial. However, each time a cremation furnace is fired up, whether for one body or for several in a row, it burns 28 gallons of fuel (gas or propane), and releases 540 lbs. of carbon dioxide as well as other gases into the air. These include dioxin, hydrochloric acid, sulfur and gas from mercury fillings. Finally, bones do not become ash by this process; they must be mechanically stamped into a powder to be added to the cremains.

The traditional way of Jewish burial is friendlier to the environment. The simplest pine box is used for a coffin. The body is washed with water before it is wrapped in shrouds and placed in the coffin. The coffin is buried in as shallow and simple a manner as the law allows.

Several “green” cemeteries in Montgomery County permit burial above the clay level, but no fully green cemeteries operate in Maryland. A multi-denominational group, the Green Burial Association of Maryland ([www.greenburialmaryland.org](http://www.greenburialmaryland.org)), advocates for environmentally friendly burial practices and has identified cemeteries with designated sections for green burials. This idea has become popular in the United Kingdom and is slowly catching on in the U.S.

In Israel, bodies often are buried in a shroud only and not buried deeply. Often, a tree is planted as a grave marker, above the burial site. In ancient Israel and around the Mediterranean, it was common to dig up the body after a few years and place the bones in an ossuary (bone box). In Bolivia and Bavaria, you “buy” a cemetery plot for 3-5 years, and if the contract is not renewed, the bones are dug up and placed in an ossuary.

The motto of most Jewish burial societies is “We do the best we can.” This usually means doing *tahara*, the body washing before burial, but it also can apply to the way we bury our dead. The community is involved at every step with the preparation and burial of our loved ones as well as with comforting the mourners. This is as it should be.

## Torah Fund, Aiming at the Future, Begins New Campaign

BY SUSAN APTER



Torah Fund is the dedicated philanthropy of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism. It supports Jewish learning at the highest levels — college, graduate and professional. The recipients of support become the rabbis, cantors, educators, chaplains, summer camp directors, scholars and leaders of the Jewish world.

For those of you who do not know, the Women's League Torah Fund campaign does NOT raise funds to buy new Torahs every year. The fund began in 1942 as a scholarship fund for the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York City. In 1963, it merged with the Mathilde Schechter Residence Hall campaign to provide housing for undergraduate students. Over the years, the campaign identified needs and raised funds for specific projects, including:

- Women's League Educational Pavilion (Kripke Tower)
- Women's League Seminary Synagogue
- H.L. Miller Cantorial School
- Davidson Graduate School of Education
- Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies (Los Angeles)
- Seminario Rabinico Latinoamericano (Buenos Aires)
- Schechter Institutes of Judaic Studies (Jerusalem)
- Zacharias Frankel Rabbinical College (Potsdam, Germany)

The Torah Fund campaign each year runs July 1-June 30. In 5779, the theme is *Atid* (“future”), from the phrase *le'atid lavo* (“in the future to come”). The organizations listed above are doing great work in navigating our future as one people, while our Women's Network (part of the Seaboard Region) provides the social and educational networks that helps us go forward into the future as Jewish women with confidence.

Thank you to the women of Tikvat Israel who support Torah Fund -- from the smallest donation to the Benefactor level and beyond (\$180 minimum to receive this year's pin). Please consider supporting this year's Torah Fund campaign, which continues until next June, by completing the form (included in the High Holiday packet mailed in mid-August) and making your check out to “Torah Fund.” Any and all amounts are gratefully appreciated.

Please contact Susan Apter, Women's Network Torah Fund chair, with questions ([apter4@gmail.com](mailto:apter4@gmail.com) or 301-460-9657).



# Time to Support Tikvat Israel's Chai Campaign

BY JAYME SOKOLOW, CHAI CAMPAIGN CHAIR

With the High Holidays just around the corner, our annual Chai Campaign is under way.

To continue to thrive and fulfill our mission, Tikvat Israel needs a financial commitment from all of us through this campaign. Our membership dues cover only part of what is needed to maintain our staff, facility and programs. It is up to us to put into action what we commit ourselves to in prayer at this special time of year. Please be as generous as your circumstances allow.

Last year, we almost achieved our goal of raising \$60,000. This year, we intend to raise \$65,000, but we can only do it with your support.

We ask each of you to look inside yourself and consider what you can contribute to Tikvat Israel. Our donation levels take into consideration all income levels of our members, allowing every family the mitzvah of giving. In past years, we have had strong participation from our congregation.

Thanks to your generosity, the Chai Campaign has helped the congregation balance its budget and continue providing outstanding programs and services to all congregants. This campaign also helps support those congregants who may need financial assistance during the year.

In mid-August, you received a letter asking you to contribute to the Chai Campaign. If you have not done so already, we encourage you to contribute as we begin the new year 5779.

This year, we have the following categories of giving: Diamond (\$5,400), Platinum (\$3,600), Gold (\$1,800), Silver (\$1,000), Double Chai (\$720) and Chai (\$360).

As you think about making a contribution, consider how much Tikvat Israel has meant over the years to you and your family. Consider also how the synagogue has supported you and your family and others in joy as well as in sorrow.

Please give as generously as your circumstances allow so that Tikvat Israel can remain a vibrant synagogue.

*L'shanah tovah tikatev v'taihatem.* May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year. In 5779, be among our congregants who, in the words of our Siddur, "unite to establish synagogues for prayer" and who "give funds for heat and light, and wine for Kiddush and Havdalah."

Tikvat Israel would like to acknowledge the generosity of the following congregants who supported the Chai campaign in 5778 with a contribution of \$720 or higher (Double Chai):

- **Platinum (\$3,600):** Betty and Cliff Fishman, Melanie Grishman, Leonard and Celia Schuchman
- **Gold (\$1,800):** Jeff and Elyse Bernstein, Louise and Chuck Chatlynnne, Shannon and Michael Gellman, Amy and Dan Matathias, Nancy and Rod Matheson, John and Rianne Melmed, Jayme Sokolow

- **Silver (\$1,000):** Susan and Alan Apter, Frank Cooper, Michele Eisenberg, Sam and Tami Gilston, Barbara Katz, Phil and Hope Kott, Ron Rabin, Nancy and Jonathan Solomon, Hilda Springer, Judith and Marvin Waldman

- **Double Chai (\$720):** Martie Adelman and Marc Schneider, Danny Bachman and Debbie Berlyne, Roma and Marvin Sohn, Herbert Weinstein

## Plan Now for Planned Giving

BY SAM GILSTON,  
CHAIR, TIKVAT ISRAEL FUND FOR THE FUTURE

Charitable endowments, such as Tikvat Israel's Fund for the Future, aim to help donors plan for long-term decisions about bequests to specific organizations: in our case, our own synagogue.

This differs from the annual donations many of us make through our dues, Chai Campaign or for special events. Including a charitable bequest to the Tikvat Israel Fund for the Future as part of your estate planning makes sense for many reasons.

Of course, it helps ensure our congregation's financial future, but it also gives you a chance to control how a bequest is made and to express your ethical and spiritual commitment to our synagogue.

It's important to remember certain things about planned giving. For example, anyone can participate, no amount is too small, young families and not just seniors need to plan ahead, planned gifts won't reduce your current income or wealth, plans are revocable and can be changed if circumstances change, and there are many ways to include Tikvat Israel in your estate planning.

One of the easiest ways to include Tikvat Israel in your estate planning is to designate a portion of your estate to go the Fund in your will. This could be a specific dollar amount or a percent. The rest of your estate would continue to go to your heirs or other designated beneficiaries.

Another simple way for those with a life insurance policy is to submit a Change of Beneficiary form to your insurance company to add Tikvat Israel.

In a similar way, you can name Tikvat Israel to receive all or part of a retirement fund such as an IRA or 401(k). There are also various types of charitable annuities that will continue to pay you income while you or your spouse are alive but pay the synagogue after your passing.

The key, however, is to start planning now.

Trustees of the Fund for the Future would be glad to meet with you to explain your options for planned giving. By beginning this discussion now, you will be able to fit the Fund into your current estate planning. You can take this information to your lawyer, accountant or financial planner to see the best way to include a charitable bequest in your estate.

## Shepherd's Table Requires Signup for TI Volunteers

Shepherd's Table, a Silver Spring-based provider of services to the homeless and needy, relies on Tikvat Israel volunteers to assist with dinner service and cleanup on each month having a fifth Monday several times during the year.

The non-profit organization has just initiated an online registration system for all volunteers. The new system ensures the various service activities (including dinner service) have a sufficient number of volunteers.

Whether you're a regular or occasional volunteer, you must complete a one-time registration. Just follow these instructions: (1) Access <http://vhub.at/tikvatisrael>. (2) Once on the website, click on "Create Account" at top right. (3) Enter a username and password. (If you use your first and last name as the username, do not leave a space between the two names.) (4) On the next screen, select any affiliations that pertain to you. (5) Fill out your profile with name, address, email address, emergency contact, etc. (6) Answer "no" to the question, "Are you currently receiving services at Shepherd's Table?" (7) The next screen will confirm that your account is set up and indicate TI's next date at Shepherd's Table. (8) Exit the site by clicking on "Sign Out."

Contact Carmen Garcia at [cgarcia@shepherdstable.org](mailto:cgarcia@shepherdstable.org) or 301-585-6463 ext. 9 with questions.

TI volunteers will be needed in October and December but then not again until April 2019. Sherman Eisner is the coordinator of TI volunteers. He can be reached at 301-598-0635.

## Melton Courses Moving to Thursday Mornings

A new series of Melton classes, co-hosted by Tikvat Israel, will consist of two 10-week courses on Thursday mornings from 11 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.

The first course, "The Star and the Crescent: The Long Relationship of Judaism and Islam," will be taught by Rabbi Ben Shull beginning Oct. 4 at TI. The second course, "Jewish Mysticism: The History of Kabbalah," will be handled by Rabbi Uri Topolosky starting Jan. 3 at Kehilat Pardes, 13300 Arctic Ave., Rockville.

Register for either course at [www.events.org/MeltonRockville](http://www.events.org/MeltonRockville). Direct questions to Rabbi Shull ([rabbishull@tikvatisrael.org](mailto:rabbishull@tikvatisrael.org)) or Rabbi Topolosky ([rabbi@kehilatpardes.org](mailto:rabbi@kehilatpardes.org)).

This marks the third year the two Rockville synagogues have collaborated on courses affiliated with the Florence Melton School of Jewish Learning. Melton programs globally are managed by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The Rockville synagogues operate one of 31 course sites across the United States, according to the Melton website.

## Home Hospitality For the High Holy Days

BY HOPE LEVY KOTT

Martha Stewart did not invent hospitality. Elaborate arts and crafts are not required. Matching place settings and chairs, designer floral arrangements and 10-course menus are strictly optional. It is even possible to participate in the mitzvah of *hachnasat orchim* (hospitality) in a simple tent as Abraham and Sarah did.

As Rosh Hashanah approaches, Tikvat Israel seeks members to participate in extending *chesed* (loving kindness) by being either a guest or a host at a Rosh Hashanah dinner or Yom Tov break fast. Please let us know if you have room at your table for additional guests, or if you need a place to go for the evening Yom Tov meals, on Sunday, Sept. 9, or Monday, Sept. 10, or for break fast on Wednesday, Sept. 19. We can't do it without you!

Fill out the form below and return it to the office by Sept. 5. You also may contact Hope Levy Kott at 301-921-8268 or [hkott@aol.com](mailto:hkott@aol.com) by the deadline.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

- Yes! We would like to attend a Yom Tov meal on  
 Erev Rosh Hashanah, Sunday, Sept. 9  
 and/or  first night, Monday, Sept. 10  
 and/or  break fast, Wednesday, Sept. 19.

Yes! We would like to host Yom Tov meal guests on  
 Erev Rosh Hashanah, Sunday, Sept. 9,  
 and/or  first night, Monday, Sept. 10  
 and/or  break fast on Wednesday, Sept. 19.  
 We have room for \_\_\_\_\_ people.

Indicate names and ages (of children) of all who will be attending:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Indicate if you or your family:

- does  does not keep Kosher.  
 does  does not eat exclusively vegetarian meals.  
 does  does not observe traditional Yom Tov restrictions.

Tell us anything else your host would need to know (allergies, transportation needs, etc.):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Thank you in advance for participating in our shared celebrations. Lshana Tovah!

# Our Synagogue's Israel Bonds Campaign Continues

BY HARVEY T. KAPLAN, ISRAEL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

In honor of the State of Israel's 70th Anniversary, Tikvat Israel launched a new Israel Bond Campaign last spring.

Frankly, we got off to a disappointing start back then -- even though we didn't conduct a full-fledged bond drive over the High Holidays in 2017.

Of course, some of our members may be accustomed to buying bonds via a pledge card at services on the holidays in September, and the Israel Affairs Committee hopes you will buy a new bond (or make a pledge to purchase one) again this season.

Every time you buy a bond, you are in effect investing in the kind of substantive research, development and innovation that I have been describing in my series of articles in every issue of the *Tikvat Israel Bulletin* (both printed and online) over the past year. As I have attempted to illustrate, Israel's innovations benefit us as Americans in many ways.

Remember that the purchase of an Israel Bond is an investment you are making, not a contribution to the State of Israel. Compare the rates you can get on new bond purchases now with any other possible investment of your funds. Of course, the terms are even better for periods of five years or longer. Israel bonds now typically pay interest twice each calendar year.

In almost all cases, there is no bond certificate that you need to safeguard. Instead, you receive statements (and interest payments) regularly from the Development Corporation for Israel in New York starting soon after you purchase each new bond.

Please take a moment to check out the latest rates at <https://online.israelbonds.com/Pages/CurrentRates.aspx>.

The local Israel Bonds office now operates at 11140 Rockville Pike. Contact Richard Karlin with your questions at 240-479-7923.

## HAVURAH TOURS HILLWOOD ESTATE MUSEUM

Tikvat Israel's Gen "L"ders Havurah toured the Hillwood Estate Museum and Gardens, home of Marjorie Merriweather Post, once the richest woman in America, on May 27.

The group of senior members had docent-led tours of the house and gardens, viewing everything from the formal gardens to Faberge eggs.



A docent talked in the Rose Garden to, from left, Louise Chatlynne, Toby Altman, Sara Harris, David Harris and Laurie Joseph. (Photo by Steve Raucher)



Yoga class participants taught by Sarah Fishman practice new positions in the synagogue's library annex.

## Yoga Class Resumes Thursdays in Shul's Library Annex

A dedicated group of yoga enthusiasts meets Thursday afternoons, 4:15-5:30 p.m., at Tikvat Israel's library annex under the watchful eye and instructional direction of Sarah Fishman.

Drop-ins are welcome, and one can start at any time. Cost is \$15 per class with discounts available if registering for a series of yoga sessions.

Contact Fishman for more information ([namastesarah@gmail.com](mailto:namastesarah@gmail.com)) or to let her know you are attending so she can have enough equipment and props.

The class has been ongoing since 2010, and it is open to individuals of any age.

Fishman said of the yoga program: "Every class is a little different and also a little the same -- we generally start on the back with stretches, then come to standing and use our mats, straps and blocks, and/or the wall to do yoga poses, physical therapy-esque exercises. Then we often transition to chairs for several minutes in place of sitting on the floor.

"Each prop can afford the ideal support for different postures and movements, and makes them more accessible and enjoyable! We end back on the floor for some finishing stretches and a final resting pose, *savasana*."

Fishman also applies some Jewish edges to the instruction. "I've been known to reference etrogs, talk about how to safely bow during Aleinu and the Amidah and how NOT to slouch in those chairs in the social hall during the High Holidays and will often weave spiritual themes into class based on an upcoming chag/yom tov."

Said participant Linc Hallen: "I think Sarah should get some recognition for having such a great class that helps us old farts to keep moving, balancing and bending."



## ISRAEL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

# HASBARA: Focus on Israeli Innovation

(Ninth in a Series)

BY HARVEY T. KAPLAN, ISRAEL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Earlier this summer, we were all watching the saga of the Thai soccer team trapped in a flooded cave in the northern part of their country. Did you know that Israeli technology assisted in the rescue of the team members and their coach? Like so many of the great things that Israel contributes beyond its borders, this example of Israeli technology was rather conspicuously missing from most media accounts. The media do not always credit Israel and its citizens for the technological advances and international efforts that help people around the world.

In brief, the rescuers in Thailand used Israeli radio technology to facilitate the rescue. According to *The Times of Israel*, the system employed hand-held devices in a “daisy-chain” fashion, passing communications from one radio to the next—even through the submerged sections of the cave, thereby extending the reach of the communications system to locations where other radios were not able to maintain a signal. It took 19 of the devices to complete the link; the units have enough battery power for 10 hours use at a time. The company, Maxtech Network, now hopes to set up a “quick response team” to respond to similar emergencies elsewhere around the world. Follow this link for more details and some photos, too: <https://bit.ly/2KDKhBX>.

In one of my earlier articles, I highlighted the joint venture between the Technion and Cornell University (Cornell Tech-



**Cornell Tech campus on Roosevelt Island, in the shadow of the Queensboro Bridge, New York City. (Photo courtesy of Chuck and Louise Chatlynne)**

Jacobs Institute). Louise and Chuck Chatlynne recently had an opportunity to visit that campus, located on Roosevelt Island in New York’s East River. At present, the Institute operates three buildings for laboratories, classrooms, and housing faculty and students. Two more buildings are under construction, and the overall 20-year plan consists of 10 additional structures. According to the Chatlynses’ report, all the structures are being “built so they generate their own energy and are environmentally neutral. The roofs of the buildings contain solar panels and rain is harvested to cut down on water use.” The work spaces are designed to encourage interaction at all levels. Consequently, most of the offices and labs are open. Israel has been referred to as a “start-up nation,” and this kind of architectural design has been demonstrated to encourage interaction and consulting with others to solve problems and think up new ideas.

The Institute is a graduate school for master’s and doctoral degrees in a range of disciplines; graduates receive dual degrees from Cornell University and the Technion. Part of the program is a business incubator, and all students are encouraged to create their own businesses. To date, 39 companies have been established. In addition, a post-doctoral program entitled “Runway Startup” provides graduates with up to three years of funding to launch new commercial ventures. By way of example, one new company is introducing portable DNA sequencing into middle and high school curricula, thereby improving STEM [Science-Technology-Engineering-Math] education through the integration of biology, computer science, and the arts. Another program is focusing on solutions to address critical issues in the domain of cyber security.

It is interesting to note that the overwhelming majority of students at the Institute are not Jewish. As a byproduct of the educational effort, successful engineers, scientists, and entrepreneurs are learning about Israel (and about the Technion) by participating in programs at the New York campus.

I’d like to thank the Chatlynses for their “trip report” and their contributions to this article. To learn more about the Institute, please visit: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h-r70f4joE>.

## TI CHORISTERS FÊTE LEONARD BERNSTEIN

BY SUE URBAN

Tikvat Israel members Rachelle Fobe and Sue Urban joined more than 80 other singers and several instrumentalists in a concert on June 3, under the aegis of Bloom by Strathmore.

The concert, “Bernstein at 100 ... Celebrating the American Voice,” included Leonard Bernstein’s “Chichester Psalms,” based on four of the biblical Psalms, as well as works by Aaron Copland and other American composers.

The event was held at the Spencerville Seventh-day Adventist Church in Spencerville, Md.



**Two TI singers were among the 80 on stage at a church in Spencerville, Md. (Photo by Martin Urban)**

# Tikvat Israel Remembers With Respect Those Whose Yahrzeits Occur From 21 Elul through 21 Tishrei – September 2018

## SEPTEMBER 1

### 21 ELUL

Lew Cyrulnik  
Leah Mayer  
Fannie Rosen  
Irwin Marvin Towers

## SEPTEMBER 2

### 22 ELUL

Mary Kessler  
Neil Newman  
Hyman Pachenker

## SEPTEMBER 3

### 23 ELUL

Leon Altschuler  
Chasse Freda Chait  
Clara Phillips  
Minnie Polansky  
Aaron Segal  
Robert Solomon

## SEPTEMBER 4

### 24 ELUL

George Becker  
Jennie Derene  
Sara Goldman

## SEPTEMBER 5

### 25 ELUL

Lillian Berman  
Jack Feigin  
Eva Mae Futrovsky  
Paul Herman  
Clara Lichter  
Fred Meyers  
Rosemary Stoll

## SEPTEMBER 6

### 26 ELUL

Donald Andrews  
Rebecca Harrison  
Pearl Kaplan  
Sadie Polikoff Levy  
David Sakoff

## SEPTEMBER 7

### 27 ELUL

Chaim Mandel  
Gerda Tuchler

## SEPTEMBER 8

### 28 ELUL

Sidney Berman  
David Morris

## SEPTEMBER 9

### 29 ELUL

James W. Church  
Rose Hein

## SEPTEMBER 10

### 1 TISHREI

Rae Axelrod  
Melvin Banks  
Janet Kabik  
Lena Leise  
Ruth Plafker  
Margaret Schreiber

## SEPTEMBER 12

### 3 TISHREI

Gertrude Appel  
Samuel Gorelick  
Anna Georgia Schneider  
Solomon Shapiro

## SEPTEMBER 13

### 4 TISHREI

Max Apt  
Irwin Krakaur  
Samuel Meyers  
Isadore Parzow  
Charles Rom  
George Simball  
Esther Stanhill

## SEPTEMBER 14

### 5 TISHREI

William Horwitz  
Ernest Jennes  
Sanford Starobin  
Isaac Meir Sterling

## SEPTEMBER 15

### 6 TISHREI

Sidney Adler  
Lena Cohen  
Fay Halpern  
Morris Ridberg  
George Sharlot

## SEPTEMBER 16

### 7 TISHREI

Sidney Bender  
Fanny Chelemer  
Steve Eisenberg  
Sarah Goldstein  
Jennie Lavine  
Harold Saldinger

## SEPTEMBER 17

### 8 TISHREI

Carl Berger  
Libby Cohen  
Alvin Feinsilber  
Joseph David Fertel  
Louise Goldstein  
Leo David Kronzek  
Ray Shapiro

## SEPTEMBER 18

### 9 TISHREI

Rose Friedman  
Robert Grossman  
Mildred Meltzer  
Albert Mukasey  
Bernard Newman  
Gertrude Reiner  
David Shetzlich  
Renee Tropp  
Tobie Waxler

## SEPTEMBER 19

### 10 TISHREI

Leila Dunsmore  
Michael Goldstein  
Tov Yehuda Jaffe  
Claire Lellouche  
Moise Lellouche  
David Lieberman  
Miriam Ludwinowitz  
Maurice Pressman  
Ethel Schneider

## SEPTEMBER 20

### 11 TISHREI

Shirley Allen  
David Chefer

## SEPTEMBER 21

### 12 TISHREI

Marion Bauman  
Lena Brittner  
Tillie Jarcho  
Alex Kreisman  
Doris Warren

## SEPTEMBER 22

### 13 TISHREI

Laurel Anchors  
Rose Freedman  
Ada Jacobs  
Irene Kline  
Fred S. Zusman

## SEPTEMBER 23

### 14 TISHREI

Stanley First  
Edward Fishman  
Albert Freed  
Saul B. Friedman  
Marie Lebowitz  
Manny Senzer

## SEPTEMBER 24

### 15 TISHREI

Arthur Finstein  
Charles Goldman  
Paul Kerman  
Hannah Dinah Scolnik

## SEPTEMBER 25

### 16 TISHREI

Alexander Beck  
Eleanor Berman  
Pauline Kram  
Ita Vainer

## SEPTEMBER 26

### 17 TISHREI

Belle Beck  
Edith Raphelson Botkin  
Felix Eichtersheimer  
William H. Glater  
Noach Hoffman  
Robert Oakley  
Avshalom Saadian  
Aaron Stein  
Harry West

## SEPTEMBER 27

### 18 TISHREI

Herman Iskow  
Dena Leep  
Barbara Ann Schecter

## SEPTEMBER 28

### 19 TISHREI

Lillian Bloom  
Ruth Gordon  
John Mandel  
Ivan Tempchin

## SEPTEMBER 29

### 20 TISHREI

Samuel Danoff  
Muriel Joy Horowitz  
Celia Kornhauser  
Edward John Urban

## SEPTEMBER 30

### 21 TISHREI

David Fineman  
Charles Futrovsky  
Lena Moskowitz  
Rosalie Peck  
Bea Solomon  
Dr. Benny Waxman

# Tikvat Israel Remembers With Respect Those Whose Yahrzeits Occur From 22 Tishrei through 22 Cheshvan– October 2018

## OCTOBER 1

### 22 TISHREI

Julius Auerbach  
Sidney Bannor  
Harry Berlin  
Rose Fragin  
Moshe Gordon  
Tzipa Gordon  
Robert Grossmann  
Rae Caplan Mensh

## OCTOBER 2

### 23 TISHREI

Miriam Block  
Albert Copaken  
Lilly Greifinger  
Janice Kirschenbaum  
Philip Marco

## OCTOBER 3

### 24 TISHREI

Benson Kessler  
Henry Meyers  
Clinton Newman  
Leonard Teitelbaum  
Max Winter

## OCTOBER 4

### 25 TISHREI

Adolph Berger  
Samuel Feldman  
Benjamin Gorfine  
Esther Kabot  
Harry Koepfel  
Max Seiler

## OCTOBER 5

### 26 TISHREI

Jeanne Bowen  
Adel Erdman  
Muriel Mickey Goldstein  
Max Shulman  
Linda Yun

## OCTOBER 6

### 27 TISHREI

Maurice Becker  
Abraham Kaplan  
Yetta Yanoff

## OCTOBER 7

### 28 TISHREI

Lorraine Aronson  
Cille Ridberg  
Alex Silbert  
Grace Turkewitz

## OCTOBER 8

### 29 TISHREI

Benito Pazo  
Chazzan Gregor Shelkan

## OCTOBER 9

### 30 TISHREI

Maurice Berk  
Naomi Cohen Berman  
Alan Eisenberg  
Jerome Seiler  
Sandra Shore  
Phillip Edward Sokol  
Ida Spector  
Kenneth Bradley Urban  
Alexander Zelenka

## OCTOBER 10

### 1 CHESHVAN

Evelyn Berlin  
Robert W. Birrell  
Esther Feller  
Karen Hirsch-Harari

## OCTOBER 11

### 2 CHESHVAN

Claire Licht  
Fanny Raucher  
Louis Steiner  
Abraham Tempchin

## OCTOBER 12

### 3 CHESHVAN

Nathan Beck  
Morris Fine  
Alice Levin  
Dorothy Low  
William Nussbaum  
Eugene Schwartz  
Franklin Yasmer

## OCTOBER 13

### 4 CHESHVAN

Jerry J. Brown  
Paul Kasper  
Marvin Podgor  
Louis Sandler

## OCTOBER 15

### 6 CHESHVAN

Samantha Kessler  
Jeanette Meyers  
Arthur Spanier

## OCTOBER 16

### 7 CHESHVAN

Geraldine Braunstein  
Dr. Philip Bress  
Robert Jarcho  
Philip Phillips

## OCTOBER 17

### 8 CHESHVAN

Alexander Ben Ami  
Phyllis Berger  
Lena Gantz  
Dorothy Glaser  
Jacques Kahn  
Mary Seslan

## OCTOBER 18

### 9 CHESHVAN

Daniel E. Berlyne  
Mae Bernstein  
Lester Earl Cohen  
Sylvia Gorban  
Judy Lerman  
Leon Morrison  
Lee Rosen  
Julia Rosenlicht  
Dora A. Thaler

## OCTOBER 19

### 10 CHESHVAN

Max Hirschman  
Abraham Krugman  
Bernard Levitt

## OCTOBER 20

### 11 CHESHVAN

Arthur Aronson  
Margit S. Elkins  
Eva Epstein  
Harry Gordon  
Jacqueline Harris  
Ruth Levinstein  
Menachem Lidert  
Belle Meyers  
Benjamin Raucher  
Irving Shantz

## OCTOBER 21

### 12 CHESHVAN

Irving Allen  
Bertha Gudelsky  
David Kline  
Nancy Kanow Simpson

## OCTOBER 22

### 13 CHESHVAN

Dora Fraeman  
Morris Hanig  
Clara Kandalis  
Rose Kaplan  
Anne K. Robinson  
Solomon Zeidman

## OCTOBER 23

### 14 CHESHVAN

Lester Finkelstein  
Mollie Ginberg  
Bessie Helzner  
Anna Marmor  
Jacob Marmor  
Morton Aaron Rosen  
Benjamin Saperstein

## OCTOBER 24

### 15 CHESHVAN

Nathan Askow  
Lorraine Gelula  
Rose Krepchin  
Rose Rosenbloom  
Sadie Steckler

## OCTOBER 25

### 16 CHESHVAN

Harry Kensky  
Morry Nisenson  
Danny Pressman

## OCTOBER 26

### 17 CHESHVAN

Lena Glick  
Mary Goldstein  
Ada Punitzer  
Muriel Rosenberg

## OCTOBER 27

### 18 CHESHVAN

Donald Futrovsky  
Judy Katz-Berger  
David Jacob Lerner  
Mark Sandler  
Benno Stein

## OCTOBER 28

### 19 CHESHVAN

Louis Bogage  
Daniel Bronstein  
Estelle Freedman  
Selma Horwitz  
Maida Nussbaum  
Shirley Rodes

## OCTOBER 29

### 20 CHESHVAN

Jennie Jaffe Flax  
Martin Rosenlicht  
Russell Keith Rosner  
Saul Stutz  
Max Wortitzky

## OCTOBER 30

### 21 CHESHVAN

David Joseph First  
Bertha Greenfield  
Max Klein  
Martha Lohwasser  
Sidney Teitelbaum  
Paula Weiser

## OCTOBER 31

### 22 CHESHVAN

Rachel Armoza  
Kurt Hering  
Joey Pearl  
Ann Rubin  
Stefan Zweig





# Synagogue's Shabbat Retreat

## Attracts 46 to Reisterstown

Forty-six members of the synagogue are going to spend the weekend of Oct. 19-21 in Reisterstown, Md., site of Kallah 2018, Tikvat Israel's Shabbat retreat.

The Kallah participants are from 26 families, including Rabbi Ben Shull and Stacy Lang, who served on the retreat's planning committee, which was guided by Felicia Black.

The retreat at the Pearlstone Center will feature Kabbalat Shabbat with *nigunim* and spirited singing; outdoor services in a peaceful, rural environment (weather permitting); campfire *havdalah* with *s'mores*; hiking; petting of farm animals; yoga and meditation; Torah study sessions; and social programs.



The retreat features farm-to-table kosher meals. Congregants will stay in hotel-quality guest rooms and cabins.

Shabbat morning services at TI's sanctuary will be conducted by lay leaders plus Cantor Rochelle Helzner on Oct. 20.

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Construction of the Tikvat Israel sukkah, under the guiding hand of veteran sukkah engineer Alan Apter, is set for 10 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 16. To make this happen, Apter needs a crew of helpers in the morning or early afternoon. Step stools and screw drivers also are welcome. Let him know if you can pitch in for an hour at [alaniapter@gmail.com](mailto:alaniapter@gmail.com).

## YOUR INFO PACKET FOR HIGH HOLIDAYS

This issue of the Tikvat Israel Bulletin does not include details about observance of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur at the synagogue because all congregants were sent (through e-mail or the Postal Service) complete information packets about the High Holidays back in early August.

If you have no trace of your information packet, let the synagogue office staff know right away at [office@tikvatisrael.org](mailto:office@tikvatisrael.org).

## BOARD MEETINGS OPEN

Members of the congregation always are welcome to attend meetings of the synagogue's board of directors. These meetings typically happen on the fourth Monday of each month, except for one month in summer. Meetings start promptly at 8 p.m. in the Flax Library.


Meeting agendas can be requested a few days in advance from President Melanie Grishman. The only closed portions of the meetings deal with personnel matters or legal matters.

## RULES FOR YOUNG MEMBERS

Tikvat Israel welcomes pre-schoolers and infants at religious services and encourages use of the play area at rear of the sanctuary. However, when a young child cries or acts loudly, a brief break with a parent outside the sanctuary is encouraged. The Shabbat usher is standing by to assist.

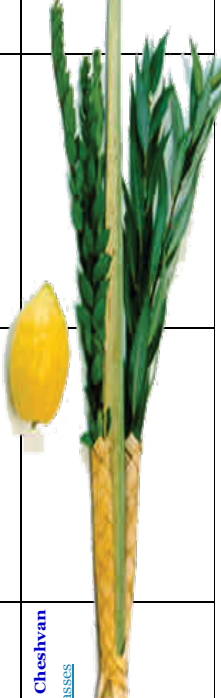
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## 21 Elul 5778 - 21 Tishrei 5779

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>22 Elul</b></p> <p>9:00AM Minyan</p> <p>7:30p Minyan</p>	<p><b>23 Elul</b></p> <p>7:30p Minyan</p>	<p><b>24 Elul</b></p> <p>7:30p Minyan</p>	<p><b>25 Elul</b></p> <p>7:30p Minyan</p> <p>8:00PM Bridge</p>	<p><b>26 Elul</b></p> <p>6:45a Minyan</p> <p>6:30PM High Holiday Chair-Sit-up</p> <p>7:30p Minyan</p> <p>8:00PM High Holiday Usher/Gabbai Orientation</p>	<p><b>27 Elul</b></p> <p>8:00a Minyan</p> <p>9:00AM Study with Rabbi Shull</p> <p>6:30PM Kabbalat Shabbat</p> <p>7:10p Candle-lighting</p>	<p><b>21 Elul</b></p> <p>9:30AM Shabbat Services (Parashat Ki Tavo) Bar Mitzvah: Sadi Rabin</p> <p>9:30PM Selichot</p>
<p><b>29 Elul</b></p> <p>Erev Rosh HaShana</p> <p>9:00AM Minyan</p> <p>6:00PM Mincha / Maariv with Rabbi &amp; Cantor</p> <p>7:07p Candle-lighting</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>8:30AM Rosh HaShana I</p> <p>4:30PM Mincha</p> <p>5:15PM Tashlich at the Bridge</p> <p>6:00PM Maariv</p> <p>8:06p Candle-lighting</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>8:30AM Rosh HaShana II</p> <p>7:15PM Rosh Hashanah Service</p> <p>Mincha/Maariv</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>7:30p Minyan</p> <p>Fast of Gedaliah</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>6:45a Minyan</p> <p>7:30p Minyan</p> <p>8:00PM Toastmasters</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>8:00a Minyan</p> <p>9:00AM Study with Rabbi Shull</p> <p>6:30PM Kabbalat Shabbat</p> <p>6:59p Candle-lighting</p>	<p><b>6 Tishrei</b></p> <p>9:30AM Shabbat Services (Parashat Vayelech, Shabbat Shuva)</p>
<p><b>7 Tishrei</b></p> <p>9:00AM Atd Learning Center</p> <p>9:00a Opening Day</p> <p>10:00AM Minyan</p> <p>10:00AM Sukkah Building</p> <p>10:00AM Community Memorial Service at Gan Zikaron</p> <p>10:30AM Community Memorial Service at Judean Memorial Gardens</p> <p>2:30PM Community Memorial Service at Gan Zikaron</p> <p>7:30p Minyan</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>7:30p Minyan</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>6:45a Minyan</p> <p>6:30PM Kol Nidre</p> <p>6:53p Candle-lighting</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>9:00AM Yom Kippur Service</p> <p>4:45PM Mincha and Nelah</p> <p>7:45PM Maariv &amp; Havdalah (after Shofar)</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>6:45a Minyan</p> <p>7:30p Minyan</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>8:00a Minyan</p> <p>9:00AM Study with Rabbi Shull</p> <p>6:30PM Kabbalat Shabbat</p> <p>6:48p Candle-lighting</p>	<p><b>13 Tishrei</b></p> <p>9:30AM Shabbat Services (Parashat Ha'Azinu)</p>
<p><b>14 Tishrei</b></p> <p>Erev Sukkot</p> <p>9:00AM Atd LC Classes</p> <p>9:00AM Minyan</p> <p>10:00AM Sukkah Building (Finish)</p> <p>6:00PM Mincha / Yom Tov</p> <p>6:45p Maariv Service</p> <p>Candle-lighting</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>9:30AM Yom Tov Services</p> <p>7:30PM Yom Tov</p> <p>7:43p Mincha/Maariv</p> <p>Candle-lighting</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>9:30AM Yom Tov Services</p> <p>7:30PM Maariv</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>4:30PM Atd LC Classes</p> <p>6:00PM BYO Dinner in Sukkah</p> <p>7:30PM Minyan</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>6:30AM Hol Hamoed Sukkot</p> <p>5:30PM Pizza in the Hut</p> <p>7:30PM Maariv</p> <p>8:00PM Toastmasters</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>7:45AM Shacharit (with Hallel, Torah Service, Mussaf)</p> <p>6:30PM Kabbalat Shabbat</p> <p>6:37p Candle-lighting</p> <p>7:00PM Congregational Shabbat Sukkot Dinner</p>	<p><b>20 Tishrei</b></p> <p>9:30AM Hol Hamoed Sukkot Shabbat Services (with Hallel and Kohelet)</p>
<p><b>21 Tishrei</b></p> <p>Hoshana Rabba</p> <p>9:00AM Atd LC Classes</p> <p>9:00AM Shacharit, Hoshana Rabbah</p> <p>6:00PM Mincha / Yom Tov</p> <p>6:33p Maariv</p> <p>Candle-lighting</p>						

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## 22 Tishrei - 22 Cheshvan 5779

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> 9:30AM Shemini Atzeret Yom Tov Shacharit Services, Yizkor, Geshem 6:15PM Yom Tov Maariv 6:30PM Hakafot for Simchat Torah 7:32p Candle-lighting	<b>2</b> 9:00AM Yom Tov Shacharit Services 12:30PM Kiddush Luncheon honoring Hattian Torah & Kallat Bereshit 7:30PM Maariv	<b>3</b> 4:30PM <u>Atid LC Classes</u> 7:30p Minyan 8:00PM <u>Bridge</u>	<b>4</b> 6:45a Minyan 7:30p Minyan 8:00PM <u>Toastmasters</u>	<b>5</b> 8:00a Minyan 9:00AM <u>Study with Rabbi</u> <u>Shull</u> 6:26p Candle-lighting 6:30PM <u>Kabbalat Shabbat</u>	<b>6</b> 9:30AM <u>Shabbat Services</u> ( <u>Parashat Bereshit</u> ) Junior Congregation 10:30AM <u>Kehillat Kids</u> 11:00AM <u>Study with Rabbi</u> 12:45PM <u>Alana Suskin &amp; Rabbi</u> <u>Morris Fajerstein</u>
<b>7</b> 9:00AM <u>Atid LC Classes</u> 9:00a Minyan 9:45AM <u>Sukkah</u> <u>Deconstruction</u> 10:00AM Tahara Orientation (Bereavement Committee Program) 10:00AM <u>Science Fiction Books</u> <u>Club</u> 7:30p Minyan	<b>8</b> 7:30p Minyan <b>29 Tishrei</b> 7:30p Minyan Candle-lighting	<b>9</b> 7:30p Minyan <b>30 Tishrei</b> Rosh Chodesh Minyan	<b>10</b> 4:30PM <u>Atid LC Classes</u> 7:30p Minyan <b>1 Cheshvan</b> Rosh Chodesh Minyan	<b>11</b> 6:45a Minyan 7:30p Minyan 8:00PM <u>Toastmasters</u>	<b>12</b> 8:00a Minyan 9:00AM <u>Study with Rabbi</u> <u>Shull</u> 6:15p Candle-lighting 6:30PM <u>Kabbalat Shabbat</u>	<b>13</b> 9:30AM <u>Shabbat Services</u> ( <u>Parashat Noach</u> ) <b>4 Cheshvan</b>
<b>14</b> 9:00AM <u>Atid LC Classes</u> 9:00a Minyan 7:30p Minyan	<b>15</b> 7:30p Minyan <b>6 Cheshvan</b>	<b>16</b> 7:30p Minyan <b>7 Cheshvan</b>	<b>17</b> 4:30PM <u>Atid LC Classes</u> 7:30p Minyan 7:45PM <u>Women's Network</u> <u>Book Group</u>	<b>18</b> 6:45a Minyan 7:30p Minyan <b>9 Cheshvan</b>	<b>19</b> 8:00a Minyan 9:00AM <u>Study with Rabbi</u> <u>Shull</u> 3:00PM <u>Shabbat Retreat -</u> <u>Kallah 2018</u> 6:05p Candle-lighting 6:30PM <u>Kabbalat Shabbat</u>	<b>20</b> 12:00AM <u>Shabbat Retreat -</u> <u>Kallah 2018</u> 9:30AM <u>Shabbat Services</u> ( <u>Parashat Lech-</u> <u>Lecha</u> ) - <u>Simcha</u> <u>Kiddush</u> 12:45PM <u>Study with Rabbi</u> <u>Alana Suskin &amp; Rabbi</u> <u>Morris Fajerstein</u> <b>11 Cheshvan</b>
<b>21</b> 9:00AM <u>Atid LC Classes</u> 9:00a Minyan 11:30AM <u>Shabbat Retreat -</u> <u>Kallah 2018 (ends)</u> 7:30p Minyan	<b>22</b> 7:30p Minyan <b>13 Cheshvan</b> 8:00PM <u>Board Meeting</u>	<b>23</b> 7:30p Minyan <b>14 Cheshvan</b>	<b>24</b> 4:30PM <u>Atid LC Classes</u> 7:30p Minyan <b>15 Cheshvan</b>	<b>25</b> 6:45a Minyan 12:15PM <u>Hazak Meeting</u> 7:30p Minyan 8:00PM <u>Toastmasters</u> <b>16 Cheshvan</b>	<b>26</b> 8:00a Minyan 9:00AM <u>Study with Rabbi</u> <u>Shull</u> 5:45PM <u>Kabbalat Shabbat with</u> <u>Instruments</u> 5:56p Candle-lighting <b>17 Cheshvan</b>	<b>27</b> 9:30AM <u>Shabbat Services</u> ( <u>Parashat Vayera</u> ) <b>18 Cheshvan</b>
<b>28</b> 9:00AM <u>Atid LC Classes</u> 9:00a Minyan 10:00AM Alan Breidler "Impact of Albert Einstein" 2:00PM <u>Women's Network Tea</u> 7:30p Minyan	<b>29</b> 7:30p Minyan <b>20 Cheshvan</b>	<b>30</b> 7:30p Minyan <b>21 Cheshvan</b>	<b>31</b> 4:30PM <u>Atid LC Classes</u> 7:30p Minyan <b>22 Cheshvan</b>			





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## Shabbat Car 'Retires' to California

For more than 25 years, the first presence of Steve Raucher's 1936 Chevy (also known as the Green Machine) in the parking lot outside Tikvat Israel on Shabbat mornings was a sure sign that shabbat was in the offing.

Raucher, a long-time member of the shul, describes his antique Chevrolet as "the archetypical car driven by a little old grandpa to services every Saturday."

During the foul weather months, Raucher's Chevy went into hibernation, only to emerge in the spring as loud and smoky as ever.

After driving the vehicle for 27 of her 82 years, Raucher has now retired Charlotte the Chevy. Actually, he sold the vehicle in July, and the new owner now maintains the auto relic at his residence in sunny California.

"Hopefully," quips Raucher, "she will find a new synagogue to attend Shabbat services in LA."

**Steve Raucher's 1936 Chevy was a familiar sight on fair-weather days in the synagogue's parking lot for years.**

