

# The Bulletin



CONGREGATION  
B'NAI ISRAEL

Congregation B'nai Israel, Elizabeth, NJ - Affiliated 1992

November 2018



*Annual*

## *Hannukah Dinner Dance*

**Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.**

*Dancing - Celebrating - Door Prizes*

*Honoring*  
**Men's Club 2018 Man of the Year**  
***Dan Richter***

*Festive Holiday Dining*

Prepared by CBI Chefs Extraordinaire

*Featuring Fantastic Musical Entertainment*

**Reservation Deadline November 29<sup>th</sup>**

Please RSVP to Evite arriving soon via email

Admission \$50 per person (\$60 after November 29<sup>th</sup>)

Sign up online! <http://tinyurl.com/chanukahdinner2018>

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## November Shabbat Services

Kabbalat Shabbat 8:15 pm  
Shabbat Services 9:00 am

### Additional Shabbat Programs:

#### Saturday, November 3

9:00 am – Services  
10:30 am – Bim Bam Shabbat Services

#### Saturday, November 10

9:00 am – Shabbat Services  
11:00 am – Bim Bam Shabbat Minyan Circle  
Mincha/Havdalah Bat Mitzvah of Alexa Jacob

#### Friday, November 16

6:00 pm – Shir Shabbat (with Bim Bam Friday)

#### Saturday, November 17

9:00 am – Shabbat Morning Services -  
Bar Mitzvah of Ruben Taits  
10:45 am – Shabbat Journeymen's Minyan,  
11:00 am – Cantor's Melody Workshop and Yaldeinu

#### Saturday, November 24

9:00 am – Shabbat Morning Services -  
auf ruf Alexa Wasserman  
Havdalah – Bat Mitzvah of Skyler Schrage

Please check [www.cbi-nj.org](http://www.cbi-nj.org) for any  
changes to schedule.

## Candle Lighting

|             |         |
|-------------|---------|
| November 2  | 5:33 pm |
| November 9  | 4:26 pm |
| November 16 | 4:19 pm |
| November 23 | 4:15 pm |
| November 30 | 4:12 pm |

## Mincha/Havdallah

|             |                 |
|-------------|-----------------|
| November 2  | 5:40 pm/6:40 pm |
| November 9  | 4:33 pm/5:33 pm |
| November 16 | 4:26 pm/5:27 pm |
| November 23 | 4:22 pm/5:22 pm |
| November 30 | 4:19 pm/5:20 pm |

## Minyan Rotation

|               |                      |
|---------------|----------------------|
| 10/28 - 11/3  | Gersho – Gottlieb    |
| 11/4 - 11/10  | Greenberg - Halpren  |
| 11/11 - 11/17 | Hausman – Jacobs     |
| 11/18 - 11/24 | Jasinover – Keselman |
| 11/25 - 12/1  | Kessler - Krauss     |

This is a reminder that you are scheduled on the  
Minyan Rotation List for this month. **We urge you to  
make every effort to attend minyan, the times are  
listed below.**

|                            |                       |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Morning Minyan</b>      | <b>Evening Minyan</b> |
| 7:10 am Mon. & Thurs.      | 8:00 pm Sun.-Thur.    |
| 7:15 am Tues., Wed. & Fri. |                       |
| 8:00 am Sun.               |                       |

## FROM THE RABBI'S DEN

By Rabbi Steven Bayar



The difference between superficial existence and a meaningful life is a matter of perspective. If we demand that our lives stand for something, we are forced to live for the future – for we are continually being challenged to create meaning – and fix the world. If we are content to allow our lives to stand alone, we see only what is in front of us – we perceive only what is superficial. We react to the present and live in the past.

Most people live in the past. More to the point, they see time as flowing backwards, not forward. In relationships we look to the past to determine what will happen in the future. We assume that just because it has always been this way – it must always be so – and finding the strength to recover from life's blows becomes harder and harder.

Living in the past leaves you unprepared for the change the future brings and it denies you the freedom to change. We must always be aware of the past – but we can never allow it to dominate and control our present.

So, we have a choice. We can yearn for the good old days, or we can anticipate what is ahead, always just out of our reach. Yearning for the past requires you to find fault with the present; with what you have and with whom you share it. Anticipating the future allows you to harness your energy and those around you to work for a meaningful future.

What if you looked upon each challenge as something that would train you– that could give you a skill that could eventually save lives? Wouldn't that change the nature of the challenge and your attitude towards it? What would you need to change your perspective and give your life meaning?

It is my hope that no one will ever stand here and say 'if you do not keep kosher you are not a good Jew.' Or, if you don't come regularly to services you are not a good Jew., or "You should give me more honors and respect because I know more, or I observe more or I work harder and have served longer, or I deserve more."

Because if you can defy entitlement, you will build community. You will attract those who likewise search, who want a good education for their families, and perhaps together you will be able to find God. But if you get sidetracked and only find each other in the process – and have some coffee and bagels in the process, that's ok too.

So should it be for us as well!

Steven Bayar



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## MUSICAL NOTES

By Cantor Lorna Wallach

### PSALM 23

I think that some of the most beautiful, passionate and inspiring words in the Hebrew Scripture is the collection of 150 Psalms found in the Book of *Tehillim*. Authorship of the psalms is attributed to King David but it is known that he had help composing many of the psalms. In the days of the Temple in Jerusalem, the psalms were sung as part of the service; many psalms still serve a central role in Jewish liturgy. Liturgical units such as *Hallel*, *P'sukei D'Zimra* and *Kabbalat Shabbat* are made up (almost entirely) of selections from the Book of Psalms. Running the gamut of emotions, from pain and despair to gratitude and joy, the psalms have been a great source of encouragement, strength, support and spiritual and emotional elevation for centuries.

Most people are familiar with the 23rd Psalm and many of us could probably recite it in English (especially with some prompting!). This Psalm is almost always recited at a funeral or memorial service and at *Yizkor*. Among traditional Jews, there is also a custom of reciting Psalm 23 at the third meal of *Shabbat* (*Shalosh Se'udot*); the *Mishna Berurah* actually cites a custom of reciting this psalm between the ritual washing of the hands before a meal and the recital of the blessing over bread. Psalm 23 has often been associated with death because of the word *Tzalmavet*, usually translated as "the shadow of death," however, the more correct translation is "deepest darkness." Nevertheless, the feeling of calm, comfort and assurance evoked by this beautiful and pastoral text certainly makes it appropriate for solemn occasions. So what is it about these ancient words that speaks to so many people in their time of deepest darkness?

David was himself a shepherd, but starting the psalm with this image of G-d as the author's shepherd, immediately paints a quiet and tender picture. The psalm begins by speaking of G-d in the third person, followed by a description of how G-d as the Shepherd will care for David. However, when David begins to speak about possible danger (Though I walk in the valley of the shadow of death...), he turns directly to G-d and addresses G-d in the second person (I fear no harm, for You are with me, at my side). Rabbi Harold Kushner wrote, "The primary message of Psalm 23 is not that bad things will never happen to us. It is that we will not have to face those bad things alone, "For Thou are with me."

When you can, take some time to reread Psalm 23. Perhaps King David's words will inspire and encourage all those who may be experiencing pain, loss or darkness in their lives to have the strength and resiliency to be able to emerge from the valley and continue climbing up the mountain, with G-d by your side.

(Sources for this article: *Siddur Or Chadash*, edited by Reuven Hammer, 2003; Rabbi Harold Kushner's book, *"The Lord Is My Shepherd,"* c. 2003)



Lorna Wallach



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## In The Community

### Mazel Tov to:

Jane & Robert Brauer on the birth of their granddaughter.

Ruth & Bruce Novick for sponsoring the Shabbat Kiddush in honor of their son, Lt. Joshua P. Novick, as he embarks on his career in the United States Air Force!

To Lauren Berrol/Jeremy Soffin on birth of daughter

### Refuah Shleima to:

Meryl Hubscher, Frieda Ostrowsky, Emanuel Magid, Shirley Ehrich and Beth Giladi

### Condolences to:

Miriam Linver on the passing of her beloved Grandmother Betty Linver

Sheryl Horowitz on the passing of her beloved mother, Rita Kaplan

## November 2018 Yahrzeit Donors

Roberta Balsam  
Irwin & Judith Buncher  
Betsy Darivoff  
Ruth Dobrowski  
Gary Dubro  
Nathaniel Feldman  
Stephanie Harris Morgan  
Terry Hofflich  
Isobel Kahn  
Hank Kaplowitz  
Michael Klausner  
Deborah Less  
Richard Maslow  
Lenore C. May  
Richard Meth  
Leila Schott  
Linda Sotnick  
Stacey Z. Thornton  
Barbara Wolfe  
Neil Yaris

## President's Message

By Mariela Dybner, CBI President



As the weather gets brisker and the days grow shorter, the rhythm of our Jewish year gets underway. Now that our holidays are behind us, the lay leadership, clergy and staff have been planning for the rest of the year at CBI.

Our High Holiday Appeal has concluded for the year. My deepest gratitude to all those who contributed and to those who are still planning their gifts. A special thank you to our Board of Trustees for making solicitation calls and especially to Henry Bloom and Dan Richter for once again chairing our biggest fundraiser of the year. CBI would not be able to achieve what we do without the important work of our volunteers and the funds donated by so many generous congregants.

Committee work is in full swing with programming, fundraising, educating and more! Our newly forming committees include the Governance Committee chaired by Rosalyn Engel and the Torah Cover Committee chaired by Ellie Gary. The Governance Committee will be dealing with important policy considerations to be implemented by the Board of Trustees, and the Torah Cover Committee is coordinating the design of our beautiful new Torah covers and heading up the related fundraising efforts as well. Please let me know if you are interested in participating as we are looking for the talents and contributions of our congregants

toward these endeavors. One of my favorite things about CBI is how easy it is to get involved in such varied capacities.

Exciting plans are underway in the sanctuary as well. This spring, we will be welcoming individuals and the various arms of the synagogue when we have opportunities to give d'verei Torah or serve as Torah readers. Cantor Wallach and the Religious Affairs chairs are hard at work organizing our volunteer and clergy efforts to make sure that this transitional year goes smoothly.

Our rabbinic search has entered its next phase-- our synagogue questionnaire and job description have been posted, and we have begun to receive applications from interested rabbinic candidates. The search committee will proceed with the first rounds of interviews and will select the candidates to come visit CBI early next year to meet with our congregation. We are looking forward to moving ahead in the search process while cherishing our last year with Rabbi Bayar.

In November, we honor our veterans and we gather as Americans to give thanks for the many blessings we enjoy. I hope you have a November filled with gratitude for those willing to serve and with the warmth of friends and family.

Mariela Markelis Dybner



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### CBI Sisterhood Presents Mah Jongg Nights



Play your game or join a new one  
Refresh your skills or perfect them

Learners Table Available

Most of All - Have Fun!

RSVP: Helene Moehlman, [shmoehlman@yahoo.com](mailto:shmoehlman@yahoo.com) or Call 201-341-2059  
Let me know if you would like to play at the Learners Table  
Free for Sisterhood members, \$5.00 for non-members

Plan Ahead, All Wednesday's at 7:30pm:

November 14  
December 19  
January 16  
February 13  
March 13  
April 10  
May 15



### The Art of the Nigun CBI Chanting Circle

Join us in the Chapel on **Sunday, November 11th, at 5 PM**  
for our inspirational Hebrew chant and song circle with  
musical accompaniment.

**This special edition of the chanting circle is going wordless! What is a nigun if not a chant without words? Like chant, the nigun is powerful centuries-old way of accessing a spiritual sensibility not otherwise readily available to us. While our niguns will be contemporary, what they bring out is timeless!**

**The intention of chanting is to awaken the divine in our hearts. It can soothe the mind and at the very least is simply fun to do! No prior knowledge of Hebrew or singing ability necessary . . . only a willingness to join in spiritual community.**

Contact [lenhausman@msn.com](mailto:lenhausman@msn.com) for more info.



## Beineynu

By Harvey Brenner, Executive Director

Just today, I attended a workshop in Sayreville, NJ, where we learned what steps we have to take and what legal requirements we must meet in order to secure the nearly \$150,000.00 NSGP-UA Homeland Security Grant, which we were awarded in early September by FEMA/New Jersey Office of Homeland Security & Preparedness.



Let me back up a bit and explain.....

In June, we along with several hundred non-profit religious and educational institutions across the country applied for a Homeland Security Grant (to provide funding for 'target hardening' physical equipment purchases) offered by FEMA through the NJOHSP.

This competitive grant required an extensive 'law enforcement' assessment of our vulnerabilities and developing a purchasing plan of security equipment that would mitigate against each of the identified vulnerabilities. The NJOHSP, in coordination with the Essex County Prosecutor's Office and the Millburn P.D. inspected our site and made many recommendations of ways we can improve over our already good security equipment.

Using that list, we researched what items, systems and equipment were available to us and how we could best utilize the grant dollars to shore up our facility. Things like improved access control devices at each of our entry doors, shatterproof blast film for all of our building's windows, improved CCTV cameras and recording equipment, extra outdoor lighting, more rigid/impact resistant fencing and decorative security planters around vulnerable points of entry, are just a few of the kinds of items we included in our initial application.

Happily, we were one of 63 organizations in New Jersey who were awarded grants totaling upwards of \$8,600,000 (15% of the total federal allocation for this NSGP-UA grant cycle).

As you may well imagine, this nearly three-year funding window requires us to adhere to strict operating procedures and every dollar must first agree with our

initial application requests, and then along the way, we must (as requested) provide all the required proofs of purchase and performance before we can receive and money at all. Impeccable record keeping is a must for without which the government will not release any of the allocated funds (which is as it should be, in my estimation).

Given the time it takes to first research all the items, obtain competitive bids for all the various components and phases of the work and submit them for pre-authorization approval by both the state and FEMA, it's reasonable to assume that actual work will not commence on the majority of the project until Spring or Summer, 2019.

In this column, I'll try to keep you abreast of the stages of development and what projects will be scheduled and when so that you, like me, can watch with interest as a newly upgraded plan and systems takes shape on our campus.

Thanks to Art Fredman, Nik Minocha and David Good (as well as our vendor partners in planning these improvements) for their guidance and review of our various documents, forms and photos.

Stay tuned; it's going to be an interesting winter of planning (to say the least!)

Harvey M. Brenner, FSA, FTA



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### LET'S HAVE DINNER TOGETHER!

This year we are planning monthly Shabbat dinners to bring the CBI Community together and we're looking for additional sponsors.

*To become a sponsor:*

Contact Harvey Brenner ([hbrenner@cbi-nj.org](mailto:hbrenner@cbi-nj.org))  
in the CBI office for more information.

**THE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR ISRAEL (ISRAEL BONDS)  
AND CONGREGATION BNAI ISRAEL**

**WILL HONOR**



**WENDY AND HENRY KAPLOWITZ**

**FOR THEIR MANY YEARS OF GENEROUS SUPPORT TO THE  
STATE AND THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL  
AT A CELEBRATORY BRUNCH**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2018  
9:30AM**

**IN THE CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL SOCIAL HALL**

**COUVERT: \$18.00 PER PERSON**

**SPONSORSHIP: \$118.00**

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CONGREGATION BNAI ISRAEL**

**STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**

**(SEE THEIR BIOS ON PAGE 7)**

## MEET OUR HONOREES: WENDY AND HANK KAPLOWITZ

Wendy was born in the Borough Park section of Brooklyn. Hank was born in New Haven, Connecticut and attended the New Haven Hebrew Day School and later attended Yeshiva University (YU) High School in Manhattan. He stayed at YU and earned his B. A. and Ph.D. in Social Psychology there.

When the couple married in 1965, Wendy was entering her junior year at Hunter College and Hank was starting graduate school. They managed to work at jobs in their fields while going to school. That afforded them the means to develop their passion for travel, going to Europe and Israel each summer on student fares. They have since been back to Israel 15 times, most recently this past June. "Each trip is more inspiring than the last," they say.

When Wendy finished her Masters in Nutrition at Hunter, she moved on from being a hospital dietitian to working as a nutritionist for the Health Insurance Plan (HIP) of Greater New York. Upon finishing his doctoral coursework, Hank took a position as an instructor in the Psychology Department of Kean University, then known as Newark State College. They moved to New Jersey, where Wendy worked as a nutritionist until they both retired in 2014.

While at Kean, Hank rose in rank from instructor to full professor. He served as chair of the Faculty Senate, an officer of the faculty union and as special assistant to three presidents. He also was the founding director of Kean's Human Rights Institute. Upon his retirement, Kean's Board of Trustees conferred upon him the title of Professor Emeritus.

When they moved to New Jersey and started their family forty-five years ago, the couple bought a house in Union, where their children attended Solomon Schechter Day School. They quickly became active members of Congregation Beth Shalom with Wendy co-chairing the Annual Dinner Dance and Hank becoming the President. Eventually the synagogue merged with Congregation Ahavath Achim Bnai Israel of Irvington and its name change to Congregation Bnai Ahavath Shalom (CBAS). As the membership receded, Hank and Wendy took on more responsibility to keep their beloved synagogue functioning. Wendy became responsible for the weekly luncheon Kiddush, and Hank served as unlicensed plumber, electrician, Gabbai and Treasurer. Together

with their dear friends Barbara and David Gelband, the synagogue's long-serving President, keeping the Shul afloat became a second full-time job for all of them.

With the closing of CBAS, Hank and Wendy immediately joined CBI and were joined by a number of other former CBAS members. They state that they were attracted by the warm greetings they received from congregants when they visited, and they particularly enjoyed the Rabbi's ability to blend knowledge and wisdom with an irrepressible sense of humor. The Cantor's angelic voice and beautiful melodies along with the traditional service clinched it for them. Additionally, they were looking for a synagogue within walking distance to their home, so that their children Mark and Tracy and their families could join them on Shabbat when they visit.

Mark and Tracy are Solomon Schechter (Golda Och Academy) Graduates. Mark has his Ph.D. in Jewish Philosophy and teaches at the University of Memphis. He and his wife Rebekah have three daughters. Tracy received her rabbinical ordination from JTS and has a Ph.D. in Sociology of Education. She serves as the Director of Strategic Planning and Community Engagement at The Solomon Schechter School of Long Island. She also was a Rabbinical Intern at CBI in 1999. Tracy and her husband, Jonathan Boxer, have three children..

The Kaplowitzs regularly attend services at CBI. They both attend the Rabbi's classes, and Wendy is a member of the Board of Trustees, Sisterhood Vice-President for Education, and is active on the Kiddush and Shabbat Dinner committees. Wendy also serves as the Treasure of the Union County Section of NCJW and the Hillside-Union Chapter of Hadassah. While the children were at SSDS Hank was a member of its Board of Governors and its Education Committee. Hank serves on the CBI Men's Club board and the Religious Affairs Committee. He is also a member of the board of the American Interfaith Council and of the Kollel Tiferes Nosson Tzvi in Union. Although retired, Hank continues teaching in the Kean doctoral program in Clinical Psychology as well as a course, "Comedians of the 20th Century" to senior citizens at the Green Lane YM-YWHA. Hank and Wendy take courses in the Osher Life Long Learning Program at Rutgers and pursue their passion for travel. They have recently been on Jewish themed tours to China, India and Eastern Europe.

## Hedwig Gruenewald Early Childhood Center (HGECC)

By Rochelle Baron, Director

We are in our third month of school and we are busy sharing great adventures together! Our enrichment classes, both morning and afternoon, are up and running and offer a variety of unique learning experiences for all of the kids. The children are experimenting, creating, exercising, and investigating all kinds of different things and learning so much as they participate in each activity. New for this year is “Amazing Athletes”, a class that develops skills in different sports as well as instruction in good nutrition. It’s a half hour of non-stop activity and everyone who stays for extended day on Wednesday looks forward to the weekly class.

School pictures will be taken this month. We’ll also



delve into learning about Thanksgiving and relating that holiday to the many Jewish values it encompasses—giving thanks for the good things in our lives, welcoming guests to our homes, and showing kindness to others. At the end of the month we’ll jump right into Hanukkah as we learn how the oil from olives can be used to light a menorah when the Olive Press program presented by The Living Legacy comes to visit. Lots of good things to look forward to!

Happy Thanksgiving from all of us at HGECC to all of you!

Rochelle



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## Blanche Bayer Religious School (BPRS)

By Rabbi Sharon Litwin, Director of Congregational Learning

We have had two wonderful special programs in the past month at BPRS.

Two educators from the Eden Village Camp team joined us over Sukkot to teach a hands-on salve making workshop. All of our students participated in the making of their own yarrow-infused salve, which can be used as a healing lip balm, lotion, and moisturizer--and it was a blast! The lesson weaved in values from the fall holidays, Sukkot and Simchat Torah, like harvest, preservation, and enduring care, and greater Jewish values like *shmirat ha'goof* (protecting the body) and *lovdah oo'l'shomrah* (both working and protecting the earth).

Eden Village Camp is a Jewish overnight camp in Putnam Valley, New York that brings an innovative focus of farming, food, and wilderness to the best of traditional camp. For more information about the camp, please visit [edenvillagecamp.org](http://edenvillagecamp.org) or contact them at [welcome@edenvillagecamp.org](mailto:welcome@edenvillagecamp.org). They would be happy to have you come check them out.

We also welcomed Pizmon! Pizmon is the co-ed, pluralistic Jewish a cappella group of Columbia University, Barnard College, and The Jewish Theological Seminary of America.



Since its inception in 1987 as the first collegiate Jewish a cappella group, Pizmon has traveled to hundreds of communities within the United States and around the world to share our love of Jewish music and culture.

As a Jewish pluralistic group, they have members originating from nearly every Jewish background. They strive to be role models for Jewish youth and enhance the religious experiences of Jewish communities of all denominations.

At the end of October, Pizmon performed a few teaser songs and then the students broke into groups by age, with 3-4 Pizmon members with each group. We warmed up our voices, learned them an age appropriate a cappella song and then all came back together so each group could perform for one another, as well as a few more Pizmon songs! The students loved learning from the energy and musical talent of Pizmon! Thank you to Aleza and Joe Rosenberg for helping to sponsor this fantastic program.

Wishing you a happy and healthy Thanksgiving and the opportunity to share joy with your family.

Rabbi Sharon Litwin



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## Sisterhood's Message

By Laurie Kavowras and Ruth Novick



Laurie Kavowras



Ruth Novick

We are still coming off of the high that was Kickoff! We hope you enjoyed the trivia themed event and came away with interesting new facts that you can rattle off at cocktail parties. Thank you, thank you, thank you to Rhee Nesson, Melissa Zarin and Edie Yaffe and their team of many that made the event the success that it was. Sign ups for participation in Sisterhood Shabbat on March 1 and 2 began at Kickoff. If you missed Kickoff, but would like to participate in some way at Sisterhood Shabbat, please reach out to Michelle Daniel at [michellefdaniel@gmail.com](mailto:michellefdaniel@gmail.com) or Chaya Cohen at [chayacohen@gmail.com](mailto:chayacohen@gmail.com) and let them know that you'd like to do something. There is something for everyone!

On November 28, we will be partnering with the Rachel Coalition to present "In Her Shoes," an experiential and interactive workshop. Rachel Coalition is a division of Jewish Family Service of MetroWest, and a partnership of eight northern New Jersey organizations working

together to provide a variety of services to assist victims of domestic violence and those living in high conflict households. The workshop will allow individuals to experience what a victim of domestic violence has to do once she decides to reach out for help. Space will be limited for this program, so please make sure to watch for information and respond early.

It's hard to believe that Chanukah is right around the corner. We light the first candle on Sunday, December 2. Undoubtedly, you need candles to light. You may possibly want a new chanukiyah. You absolutely need gifts! Well, the Sisterhood Gift Shop has you covered. Thanks to Ilisa Perlman's tireless efforts, the Gift Shop is well stocked with everything you need (or want) for Chanukah. It is open most Sunday mornings, so please stop by.

Wishing you all a wonderful Thanksgiving (rumor has it that it is the most celebrated holiday among Jews) surrounded by family and friends.

Looking forward to seeing you!

### Upcoming Events:

**Mah Jongg:** Wednesday, November 13

**Knit and Knosh:** Tuesday, November 19

**In Her Shoes:** Wednesday, November 28

Laurie Kavowras and Ruth Novick

## YALDEINU is Back!

**Yaldeinu** ("Our Children") is the name of our congregation's outreach to families with children or young adults with special needs. We have prepared liturgy and designed an experience to be participatory, joyous, and relaxed!

The service is approximately 1 hour long and led by Rabbi Cece Beyer. We use a special prayer book and the children/young adults are encouraged not only to participate but to lead as well as they can.

The service is held in the Chapel and there is a Torah service. Children/Young Adults over the age of 13 have

the experience of being called up for an *aliyah*. It is a warm, nurturing, supportive environment for the participants and their families.

Following the service, everyone is invited to join the congregation in our festive, weekly Shabbat kiddush in the Social Hall.

Dates for the next few months are:

2018 - October 27, November 24, December 29

2019 - January 26

11:00-12:00pm

"Meaningful  
and  
empowering"

Rachel Coalition  
presents

# IN HER SHOES

An experiential and interactive workshop for the community

"It gave me  
insight to a  
very complex  
situation"

## **Do You Ever Wonder:**

- Why a woman stays in an abusive relationship?
- Why a woman makes the choices she does?
- How a woman copes?

This workshop will allow INDIVIDUALS to experience what a victim of domestic violence has to do once she decides to reach out for help.

## **Participants will explore:**

- The challenges and frustrations experienced by women suffering from domestic violence
- The community response to domestic violence
- Ways individuals can help

"This program  
opened my  
eyes to a  
new way of  
thinking"

"I didn't  
realize that  
the choices  
a victim  
makes are so  
difficult"

Join CBI Sisterhood for this very special program on  
Wednesday, November 28th from 7:30-9:00pm, rsvp to  
Laurie Kavowras at 862-763-7705 or  
lscaregiver48@gmail.com



Rachel Coalition is a division of Jewish Family Service of MetroWest NJ



## We Proudly Welcome our Newest Members

As of September 12, 2018

Heidi & Barry Allen  
Miriam Linver & Matt Askin  
Helaine Ettinger & Henry Bloom  
Jane & Robert Brauer  
Barbara & Steve Brown  
Andrew Cohen  
Elizabeth & Gerald Cohen  
Heidi & Brett Cohen  
Betsy & Phil Darivoff  
Mariela & Ariel Dybner  
Roz & Jonathan Engel

**Jacqueline Printz & Robert Finkel**

Lilli & Steve Finkler  
Marvin Fish  
Andrea & David Good  
Susan & Larry Gordon  
Naomi & Howard Greenwald  
Andrea & David Hirschfeld  
Meryl Griff Hubscher & Dan Hubscher

Eli & Mona Jacobs  
Stacy Thompson & David Kanarek

**Wendy & Hank Kaplowitz**

**Lori & Adam Katzman**

**Hanna Keselman**

Harriet & Paul Klein  
Carol & Robert Marcus  
Debbie & Alex Marcus  
Stacy & Scott Merkel  
Lori & Larry Pitkowsky

**Kathy & Jamey Potechin**

Alia Ramer & Daniel Ramer

Micole & Daniel Richter

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# BIM BAM SHABBAT

For Children through 1<sup>st</sup> Grade and Families

Join us as we celebrate Shabbat a special way week!



## Bim Bam Fridays

### Shir Shabbat Service followed by Shabbat Dinner

A shorter version of the traditional Friday night service with upbeat singing, led by our clergy and children together. (RSVP required for dinner.)



## Bim Bam Shabbat

Sing songs and prayers, hear a story and play games! Celebrate your birthday in your birthday month! Bim Bam Shabbat will be led by Morah Vivian Gibilisco. Bring moms, dads, grandparents ...all are welcome! A snack is provided at end of the service.



## Bim Bam Story Time

Hear stories, play games, sing and have snack with Rochelle Baron, our HGECC Director. A relaxing way to enjoy Shabbat!



## Bim Bam Minyan Circle

Join us for prayers, songs, stories and social time for parents and kids at this parent-led Shabbat service for young children.

### November

11/3 at 10:30 a.m. Bim Bam Shabbat  
11/10 at 11:00 a.m. Bim Bam Minyan Circle  
11/16 at 6:00 p.m. Bim Bam Fridays

### December

12/1 at 10:30 a.m. Bim Bam Shabbat  
12/7 at 6:00 p.m. Bim Bam Fridays  
12/15 at 11:00 a.m. Bim Bam Story Time  
12/22 at 11:00 a.m. Bim Bam Minyan Circle

**On Saturday mornings, join friends and congregation for Kiddush in the Social Hall!**



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## Children's & Family Shabbat Services

Join us for meaningful experiences and memories that blend Jewish learning and living. CBI offers services for families that teach the songs and rhythm of Shabbat services for children of all ages.

Please refer to the synagogue weekly email or the calendar on the CBI website updates or additions.

*Children are always welcome in the sanctuary!*

### **BIM BAM SHABBAT**

**For Children through 1<sup>st</sup> Grade and Families**

**Please see page 12 for November-December schedule.**

Every Shabbat is unique, as we celebrate Shabbat in a different way...sometimes early Friday evening, other times on Saturday mornings. We always have fun, sing, socialize, eat and feel the joy of the day.

### **FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE**

**For 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Children and Families**

**10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** (Light Breakfast at 10:15 a.m.)

**November 3      December 15**

**January 12      February 9      March 9      April 6      May 4**

A vibrant Shabbat service on Saturday morning filled with singing and storytelling, including a special up-close look at the Torah as we read part of the weekly *parasha*. Children take an active part in leading prayers. Parents and children will learn and pray together, participate in discussion and act out a play.

*A light breakfast is available before the service. Following services, we welcome families to stay for Kiddush with the entire congregation.*

### **SHIR SHABBAT with Shabbat Dinner**

**Families with Children of All Ages**

**6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.**

**November 16      January 7      March 15      May 10**

A shorter version of the traditional Friday night service in the Sanctuary with upbeat singing, led by our clergy and children together.

Each service is followed by a catered Congregational Shabbat Dinner. (Or, just come for the service.)

*For more information, please contact Rabbi Sharon at [slitwin@cbi-nj.org](mailto:slitwin@cbi-nj.org) or 973-379-1134.*

## B'NAI MITZVAH



### **Alexa Jacob** November 10, 2018 (PM)

Alexa Jacob is a 7th grader at Newark Academy. She enjoys hanging out with her friends, and taking part in the tennis, volleyball and softball teams at Newark Academy. She is also a co-leader for the film-making club at NA as well.

During the summers, Alexa enjoys going to camp and spending time in Bethany Beach, Delaware with her family. She is a very talented graphic designer and for her mitzvah project she is volunteering at Jewish Family Services of MetroWest to assist with many projects that involve designing labels for packages and gift items that will be distributed to families in the community

for the holidays.

She is excited to share this wonderful mitzvah with her parents, Karen and David, and her brothers, Matthew and Evan.

Alexa would like to give a special thank you to Cantor Wallach and Rabbi Bayar for helping her with all of the preparation for her big day.



### **Ruben Taits** November 17, 2018

As an eight grader, Ruben Taits is thrilled to share his Bar Mitzvah CBI community.

His 13th birthday was celebrated at the Kotel, so closing the cycle of Bar Mitzvah learning at CBI in front of his family and friends carries special meaning to him.

Ruben loves to read, play soccer and do the school homework (true!). His Mitzvah project will be raising money for Lone Soldier Centers in Israel. These centers provide support to teenagers who came to Israel from around the world to enlist in Israel Defense

Force and defend the country and the Jewish people.

Ruben is happy to be sharing this milestone with his parents Natasha and Yoree, his sister Vlada and grandparents.

Special thanks to much respected Cantor Lorna Wallach for her dedication, kindness and help during Ruben's years at CBI as well as Rabbi Bayar.



### **Skyler Schrage** November 24, 2018 (PM)

Skyler Schrage is in seventh grade at Millburn Middle School.

Skyler has been a part of CBI her entire life, including HGECC. Skyler enjoys singing, art, and hanging out with her family and friends.

Sharing in this simcha are Skyler's parents Patricia and Leon, sister Stephanie and brother Sam, Bubby Rose, Grandma June, Aunt Hillary, Uncle Flynt, and Uncle Abe.

Skyler gives special thanks to Cantor Wallach, Rabbi Bayar, and Rabbi Litwin for helping her to prepare for this special day.

For Skyler's mitzvah project she is working with BookSmiles to collect and distribute books for children, grades K-5, in need in NJ. Collection bins will be in the Hebrew School wing during the month of November. Skyler appreciates any donations.



### **Shira Radin** December 1, 2018

Shira is a seventh grader at Millburn Middle School. She loves singing, musical theater, field hockey, and animals -- especially her cat JJ. She reads everything from non-fiction to mysteries to graphic novels, and tends an ever-expanding World in Minecraft. Whether at school or at Camp Starlight or in the theater or just hanging out with friends, Shira makes the day brighter with her spirit, infectious smile, and wonderful sense of humor.

Shira's Mitzvah project stems from visiting Israel this year with her parents, where she learned about the joys and challenges of her Jewish heritage and about Israeli life. She visited the Israel National Therapeutic Riding Association, which treats children and adults of all religious and ethnic backgrounds suffering from different illnesses. She hopes everyone will make a small contribution to INTRA through The Good People's Fund to help continue this important mission.

Shira is happy to be sharing this simcha with her loving parents Amy and Mitchell Radin and siblings Molly and Jared who preceded her to the bimah at B'nai Israel, and with her family and friends. Shira sends a special thank you to Cantor Wallach and Rabbi Bayar for their support through the years and for their guidance and encouragement in helping her to prepare for her Bat Mitzvah.

## CBI Kadima 2018 Fall/Winter Events

**Thursday, November 1st 6:00-7:15**  
**Give Back Mitzvah Program – Dinner and Event in Youth Lounge**

**Wednesday, November 21st Time TBD**  
**Ice Skating – Mennan Arena Morristown**

**Thursday, November 29th 6:00-7:15**  
**Mystery Party – Dinner and Event in Youth Lounge**

**Thursday, December 6th 5:10-6:00 with BBRs\***  
**Chanukah Hoopla – Event in MPR**

**Thursday, December 13th 6:00-7:15**  
**Giant Game Night – Dinner and Event in Youth Lounge**

**Friday, December 14th**  
**Youth Group Shabbat**

Don't forget to send in the youth group membership form, which must be handed in to attend an event. Any questions – Contact Aly Greenstein, Kadima Advisor at: 973-495-6967 or [alygreenstein18@gmail.com](mailto:alygreenstein18@gmail.com)

\*We will be holding Kadima events once every other month with BBRs as part of Religious School\*

## 2018/19 Chaverim Schedule

**11/6: Election Day Cookie Decorating and PJ Party**

**12/4: Chanukah Party!!**

**1/8: Tu'Bshvat Shark Tank**

**2/12: Top Chef Chaverim**

**3/5: Super Whacky Purim Game Night**

**4/2: Cupeake Wars**

**4/30: End of the Year Field Day and Ice Cream Party**

Most events take place immediately after Religious School (6:00 – 7:15) Pick up promptly at 7:15. Please note, 9/29 Event 7:30 – 9:30PM.

Dinner will be served at all other events which includes pizza, iced tea, lemonade and light snacks.

Please Email [CBIChaverim@gmail.com](mailto:CBIChaverim@gmail.com) for more information or to RSVP to any event.

## Millburn USY 2018 Events

Mark your calendars for all our great events!  
Event details will be on our Instagram ([millbusy160](#)), Facebook group and sent via email prior to the event:

**Wednesday, November 14th 7:30-9:00**

**Wednesday, November 21st time TBD**

**Thursday, November 29th 7:30-9:00**

**Thursday, December 6th 7:30-9:00**

**Friday, December 14th time TBD – Youth Group Shabbat**

**Wednesday, December 19th 7:30-9:00**

Don't forget to send in the youth group membership form, which must be handed in to attend an event. Any questions – Contact Aly Greenstein, USY Advisor at: 973-495-6967 or [alygreenstein18@gmail.com](mailto:alygreenstein18@gmail.com)

Keep up to date with everything Millburn USY has to offer, join our Facebook group by searching for Millburn USY!



## Calling All Knitters, Crocheters or Wannabees

Please join us for the

## Sisterhood Knit & Knosh (and needlecraft) Group

### 2018-19 Schedule

#### Tuesday Evenings at 7:30 p.m. in Youth Lounge

|             |             |            |
|-------------|-------------|------------|
| November 27 | December 18 | January 29 |
| February 26 | March 19    | April 23   |
| May 28      | June 25     |            |

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## Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh

# Chanukah and Civil Discourse

**What the story behind Chanukah  
can teach us about today.**

**A TALK BY**

**LISA LISSER, M.A.R.E.**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6TH, AT 6:30 PM**

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## MEN'S CLUB MINUTE

By Jonathan Schor & Alex Marcus,  
Men's Club Co-Presidents

Welcome again to another exciting edition of the Men's Club Minute, your source for all CBI Men's club news! Alex and I want to extend a special thank you to Dan Dovdavyan for his years as Men's Club president. His

leadership was invaluable over the past 2 years and he was finally able to pass the mantle of leadership to us last month at installation dinner. We hope that we can live up to the grand expectations set for us by the Dons who proceeded us.

Thank you again to Hernan for putting together the installation dinner and to Joe Tennenbaum for emcee duties. Congrats to all the new officers and board members. We are looking forward to creating some new and potentially "exciting" events in the future from the new board (Stay tuned on that one...).

Please mark your calendars for the annual Chanukah party which is Sunday, December 9th. We are excited to announce that the 2018 Men's Club Man of the Year is...Dan Richter. Please join us for an evening of great food and fun as we celebrate Dan and his amazing contributions to both Men's Club and the CBI community. Please RSVP online at: <http://tinyurl.com/hanukahdinner2018>.



Jonathan Schor



Alex Marcus

### Upcoming Events:

November 29th- Bowling Night- Once again we have to defend the Kiddish Kup against would be challengers. Please join us for a fun evening of bowling against local Men's Club challengers and help keep the Kup where it belongs – at CBI. Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/MCBowling2018>

Pick-up Basketball – Every Monday and Wednesday at 8 pm at the Hartshorn School. Email us for more info at [cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com](mailto:cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com)

March 2nd – Paper Mill Playhouse – Join with your friends from CBI for a performance of "My Very Own British Invasion." Great tickets for the performance are available through Men's Club. Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/papermill2018> or contact us at [cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com](mailto:cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com) for more info.

### Save the Date:

Men's Club Shabbat! Date set for January 26th 2019. Parshat Yitro, "an oldie but goodie." It promises to be a fun weekend highlighted by a delicious Shabbat dinner, Shabbat services filled with ruach, and a "chili free" cholent contest! We are always looking for new "Parshah Players" so email us at [cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com](mailto:cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com) if you are interested in helping out!

Jonathan Schor & Alex Marcus

## Religion and State in Israel

Perspectives on Israel with Amit Stern

Community Shaliach at Jewish Federation of Greater MetroWest

Sunday, December 2 at 9:30 a.m.



### Lifelong Learning

Community Shaliach Amit Stern, 34, came to NJ from Jerusalem with his family to oversee the *Mishlach* (delegation of *rishonim* and *shlichim*) and work throughout the community. He holds a B.Ed. and teaching certificate in history and bible studies from Kibbutzim College of Education and a bachelor's-of-law degree from Hebrew University of Jerusalem. His extensive experience in Jewish education includes serving as Israel national director of Noam, the Masorti (conservative) youth movement, and various positions in the Israeli scouts.



This program is co-sponsored with the Israel Affairs Committee.



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## ***It's Chanukah!***

***...First night is Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>***

**Open Sunday 10am – Noon  
November 18<sup>th</sup>  
& December 3<sup>rd</sup>**



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### ***“Chanukah Boutique”***

**for BBRS students  
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### NOVEMBER EVENTS

Lunch begins at 12:30 p.m. The program begins at 1:00 p.m.

**Thursday, November 1 CBI Thursday**, Screen *Won't You Be My Neighbor*, a touching documentary This is an admiring portrait of public television pioneer Fred Rogers. The film revisits Rogers's signature TV show, *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood*, and the kind but steadfastly enigmatic man behind it. Fred Rogers inspired countless children and adults by showing compassion and limitless imagination.

**Thursday, November 15 at CBI Hirschhorn** speaker **Deb Schapiro** will present *News & Jews-Let's Hear YOUR Views*. This innovative program is a highly interactive and nonjudgmental current events discussion. You are welcome and encouraged to voice your opinions or you can choose to just listen.

Sandwich choices are: Turkey, Corned Beef, Roast Beef, Pastrami, Tuna Fish, or Egg Salad. **YOU MAY PAY AT THE DOOR. CONTACT LOIS at 973-533-1809 to place your lunch order by the Wednesday afternoon preceding the program.** The cost is \$10 for Adult Forum members & partners and \$12 for non-members. If you are coming for the program only, there is no charge, but please call to let me know that you will be attending.

### Cantor's Melody Workshop

**Shabbat Morning of November 3 after Kiddush from 12:45-1:45 p.m.**



For singers and non-singers, no Hebrew literacy necessary! If you love music or want to become better acquainted with some new or new-to-you Jewish melodies, this is a great opportunity. **Cantor Lorna Wallach** will teach a new melody that will be incorporated into either Friday night or Shabbat morning services. And we will sing some favorite traditional Shabbat afternoon *Z'mirot* (songs).

**All are welcome! No RSVP necessary.**

## ISRAEL AFFAIRS

By Joe Tenenbaum



### **Come to the CBI Israel Bond Event Sunday morning, November 4, 2018**

As Cheryl Burstein told you in her Kol Nidre speech about Israel, CBI and Israel Bonds are hosting a special breakfast on Sunday November 4, at 9:30 am to honor our congregants, Wendy and Hank Kaplowitz. We are honoring Hank and Wendy not just for their long-time support for Israel Bonds, or just for their activities here at CBI, but for a lifetime of achievement.

Wendy hails from Borough Park Brooklyn, and Hank from New Haven Connecticut. They married while both were students, Wendy at Hunter College and Hank at Yeshiva University. During their early years, they lived in apartments on the East side of Manhattan, and their jobs afforded them the opportunity to travel to Europe and to Israel during their summers. They have since been back to Israel 16 times, most recently this past June. "Each trip is more inspiring than the last," they say.

Wendy had a career in nutrition, working for a variety of companies in the health care field. Hank got a job as an instructor at Newark State College in 1972 and stayed there as the college became Kean University and he eventually became a full professor and served in other academic leadership positions including being the founding director of the Kean International Human Rights Conference. In January 2014 Hank and Wendy retired on the same day. When you see Wendy, ask her how they happened to retire simultaneously.

Hank and Wendy's children attended the Solomon Schechter Day School in Union and both pursued advanced Jewish education. Mark received a PH. D in Jewish Philosophy and teach at the University of Tennessee in Memphis. Tracy received her rabbinical ordination from JTS and a Ph.D. in Sociology of Education and works currently at the Solomon Schechter Day School of Long Island. Wendy and Hank have six grandchildren, three from each of the families.

Beyond their family, Hank and Wendy held many leadership positions at Congregation Beth Shalom (which later became Congregation B'nai Ahavath Shalom. Among the responsibilities they have taken on were co-chairing an annual dinner dance, President of the congregation, weekly luncheon Kiddushes, unlicensed plumber, Gabbai and Treasurer.

Since coming to CBI in 2015 when CBAS closed, they have been very active in our community. Wendy is currently a member of the CBI Board of Trustees, Sisterhood Vice-

President for Education, and active on the Kiddush and Shabbat Dinner committees. Hank serves on the Men's Club Board and the Religious Affairs committee and volunteers to lead services or read Haftorah whenever he is present.

And can we really talk about the Kaplowitz family without mentioning how friendly they are, and how much they enjoy good humor?

If you know Wendy and Hank, I am sure you will want to participate in Sunday's breakfast. If you do not yet know them, you should come to the breakfast to meet these amazing people. The event will also feature a humorist (because we all enjoy a good joke, here and there) as well as David Brown, the representative from the local Israel Bond Office. He will be present to help you with any of your Bond purchasing questions.

You do not need to purchase bonds to attend the event, and you can purchase bonds to the credit of CBI even if you cannot attend. When you call the local office, be sure to mention your affiliation with our Shul. The cover charge for the event is \$18\* per person, or \$118\* to become a sponsor of the event.

My thanks to Sheldon Greenholtz who wrote the January 2016 Bulletin article from which much of this content was taken. If you want to know the many more achievements of Wendy and Hank, go on line to that article, or simply attend our November 4 event.

\* Expected costs – actual costs may differ due to early deadline for this article.

### **Religious Pluralism in Israel**

On Sunday morning December 2, Amit Stern will be at CBI to discuss religious pluralism in Israel.

Amit is an Israeli who is spending two years in the United States as part of the Shlichim (Emissary) program sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Greater MetroWest. The purpose of their work here is to build relationships with Americans and help strengthen the relationship between people in Israel and people in our MetroWest Community. The December 2 event is sponsored by CBI Adult Learning.

### **CBI Israel Affairs Committee**

If you would like to work on a committee which will actively plan and assist all arms of the Congregation to support Israel, please contact me at TenenbaumJ@AOL.com. For those of



you who prefer telephones, please call me at 973 768 7440. I am planning to really use this committee to plan CBI programs to help all of us improve our knowledge and our relationships with Israel. Please volunteer.

### **CBI and Israel – What is your story?**

If you have participated in a program supporting Israel or if you have travelled to Israel, please share your Israel experiences with us by contacting me at TenenbaumJ@AOL.com

### **2019 AIPAC Policy Conference March 24-26, 2019**

You should plan on attending the 2019 Policy Conference. The experience is priceless, so putting this on your calendar now for you (and the students in your family) to attend will be a life altering experience. Next year we will again have a supply of discounted registrations, so if you wish to save on your experience, please let me know. However, I guarantee you that going even at full price is worth the expense.

### **Missing Soldiers and non-combatants**

We must continue to pray for the remaining soldiers to return home:

**Guy Hever Zachary Baumel Avi Feldman**

There are also two non-combatant Israelis being held by Hamas in Gaza: (When I added these last month, there was talk that they might be released soon – unfortunately that has not yet happened).

**Avera Mangistu Hisham al Sayed**

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❖ Wendy & Hank Kaplowitz

Amy & Jason Blake - May your moms memory be for a blessing and may this new year be a happy & healthy one for you and your family

❖ Dan Richter

Jane & Bob Brauer - Mazel Tov on the birth of your granddaughter

❖ Steven & Helene Moehlman

Sheryl Horowitz & Family - IMO your beloved Mother

❖ Ann & Mitchell Brown

### Rabbi's Fund

Rabbi Bayar - With our deep appreciation for your guidance & encouragement & scholarly insights in helping Shira prepare for her Bat Mitzvah

❖ Mitchell & Amy Radin

### Cantor's Fund

Cantor Wallach - With our deep appreciation for your guidance & encouragement & vocal collaboration in helping Shira prepare for her Bat Mitzvah

❖ Mitchell & Amy Radin

### Burk-Mendlovitz Youth Fund

Kopel Burk - Happy 90th Birthday

❖ Myron & Ruth Rosenberg

Kopel Burk - Mazel Tov on your special birthday. May you celebrate many more in good health

❖ Wendy & Hank Kaplowitz

Kopel Burk - Congratulations! So happy to celebrate this special occasion with you

❖ Nancy Sichel

Kopel Burk - A very, very happy milestone birthday. May you celebrate many more healthy & joyous years

❖ Thelma Leff

Kopel Burk - Happy Birthday

❖ Suzanne Nimaroff

Kopel Burk - In honor of your 90th birthday

❖ Carole & Ed Lidz

Kopel Burk - Happy special birthday

❖ Ken & Leah Tarlow

Kopel Burk - Warmest Congratulations on reaching this special milestone as you have so many others

❖ Ruth Shapiro

Kopel Burk - IHO your 90th birthday. What a beautiful service & Kiddush luncheon. Judy was so happy to join you at your wonderful celebration.

❖ Dreskin Family

Kopel Burk - May you continue in good health form strength to strength. You are an icon at CBI

❖ Charlotte Wernick

Kopel Burk - Happiest & Healthiest of birthdays

❖ Joan Kram

Kopel Burk - Best wishes on your special birthday

❖ Goldberg Family

Kopel Burk - Mazel Tov on the occasion of your 90th birthday. We wish you much joy & good health to come.

So sorry not to be able to share the simcha with you, Renee & your wonderful family

❖ Ron & Natalie Tambor

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