

# The Bulletin



CONGREGATION  
B'NAI ISRAEL

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

March 2019



## Purim Festivities



### Family Purim Celebration

**Sunday, March 17 // 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**



Purim Shpiel & Costume Parade

Purim Carnival

Carnival Food

Special Musical Guest

Joanie Leeds and the Nightlights

See Page xx  
For Details!



### Children's Purim Service

**Wednesday, March 20 at 6:30 p.m.**

*Singing and stories!*

*Come in costume, bring your groggers and make some noise!*



### Congregational Megillah Reading

**Wednesday, March 20 at 7:30 p.m.**

*The whole megillah ... from start to finish!*

*Don't forget to dress up!*



## March Shabbat Services

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

### Additional Shabbat Programs:

#### Friday/Saturday, March 1-2

6:45 pm – Sisterhood Congregational Shabbat Dinner  
8:00 pm – Kabbalat Shabbat Services  
9:00 am – Sisterhood Shabbat Services  
12:00 pm – Kiddush

#### Friday/Saturday, March 8-9

8:15 pm – Kabbalat Shabbat Services  
9:00 am – Shabbat Services  
10:30 am – Bim Bam Shabbat Services  
10:30 am – Family Shabbat Service  
12:00 pm – Kiddush  
1245 pm – Cantors Melody Workshop

#### Friday/Saturday, March 15-16

6:00 pm – Shir Shabbat  
6:45 pm – Congregational Shabbat Dinner  
9:00 am – Shabbat Services Bat Mitzvah of Charlotte Troll  
10:45 am – Shabbat Journeymen Minyan  
12:00 pm – Kiddush

#### Friday/Saturday, March 22-23

8:15 pm – Kabbalat Shabbat Services  
9:00 am – Shabbat Services Bat Mitzvah of Rebbekka Merkel  
12:00 pm – Kiddush

#### Friday/Saturday, March 29-30

8:15 pm – Kabbalat Shabbat Services  
9:00 am – Shabbat Services Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Klein  
12:00 pm – Kiddush

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

## Candle Lighting

March 1	5:30 pm
March 8	5:38 pm
March 15	6:46 pm
March 22	6:53 pm
March 29	7:00 pm

## Mincha/Havdallah

March 2	5:43 / 6:39pm
March 9	6:01 / 6:47pm
March 16	6:59 pm / 7:55pm
March 23	7:06 pm / 8:02 pm
March 30	7:13pm / 8:10 pm

## Minyan Rotation

2/24 – 3/2	Wisenuel – Zucker
3/3 – 3/9	Abraham – Basarab
3/10- 3/16	Benbasset – Blum
3/17-3/23	Bolton – Cantwell
3/24 – 3/30	Casel – Cohen

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.**

### Morning Minyan

7:10 am Mon. & Thurs.  
7:15 am Tues., Wed. & Fri.  
8:00 am Sun.

### Evening Minyan

8:00 pm Sun.-Thur.

## President's Message

By Mariela Markelis Dybner, CBI President



Adar is here with much merriment! Purim takes many forms at CBI with celebrations for all: On March 3, our Hedwig Gruenwald Early Childhood Center will host a Purim Family Workshop at 10am. Please join us for crafts, songs, stories and snacks. RSVP to [hgecc@cbi-nj.org](mailto:hgecc@cbi-nj.org). Our Family Purim Celebration complete with Purim Shpiel and Costume Parade, pizza lunch, carnival and concert by Joanie Leads and the Nightlights is on March 17 beginning at 9:30am and is open to the community. Come and bring your

neighbors and friends! Later at 5pm that evening, enjoy a special Purim Chanting Circle with especially joyous Hebrew chant led by Len Hausman. Our services for Erev Purim on March 20 will include a children's service at 6:30pm (wear your costumes!) and a Congregational Megillah Reading at 7:30 pm. There will be another full Megillah reading at 7:00am on Thursday, March 21. Don't forget to treat your CBI friends and participate in the mitzvah of sending Mishloach Manot! We make it easy for you by putting the gifts together--all you need to do is order online or by dropping the paper form at the front office. It's \$10 per basket sent, and you can even send a basket to an Israeli soldier! Double your mitzvah by helping to pack and deliver the baskets throughout our community-- packing is on March 14 at 3pm and delivery is soon thereafter. Thanks to Alia Ramer and Marianela Cordoba for organizing the Purim Baskets this year.

How sweet it is! We will be commencing a Torah Cover Shavuot fundraiser to close our budget year and will be receiving our beautiful new Torah Covers in time for Shavuot this spring. Elizabeth Cohen, Heidi Cohen and their committee have an exciting plan in place to energize this year's fundraiser in new ways for CBI. Thank you to Ellie Gary and all who have worked with her in spearheading this project designing the Torah Covers which will grace our ark for years to come.

Having welcomed four rabbinic candidates over the course of four fantastic weekends, our rabbi search is now in its next phase. I personally want to thank the entire community for the warmth, hospitality and enthusiasm shown to each of our candidates. It speaks volumes not only to the candidates but also to us as a community that so many congregants have been engaged and involved in this exciting process. I would like to extend a special thanks to the Rabbinic Search Committee, led by Jonathan Engel and Lisa Biller. The committee has worked tirelessly, thoughtfully and collaboratively to lead us in this time of transition. We hope to have more news soon as our plans solidify.

In this time of rising anti-Semitism around the world and acts by governments who would wield their power without the consent of those governed, it is important to remember the moral of our Purim tale and the strength of Esther who spoke truth to power.

Chag Purim Sameach!

**Mariela Markelis Dybner**



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## MUSICAL NOTES

By Cantor Lorna Wallach

### ALIYAH HONOR

I feel privileged to have had and continue to have so many strong and inspiring role models in my life—who have very special qualities which I try my best to emulate. This month, when we read the Megillah on Purim, I find myself focusing on the Biblical character of Esther, and the strength and courage which Esther exhibited in the Purim story.

While growing up, all the girls wanted to be Queen Esther on Purim because, as we were taught, Esther was beautiful. It is certainly true that Esther was beautiful, but she was also a smart and God-fearing woman. She endured great hardship, yet ultimately turned a catastrophic situation for herself and her people into an astounding story of personal growth and national salvation. As queen, Esther hides her religious identity and doesn't use her real name (Hadassah). As a person deeply connected to God, she wonders, as does Mordechai, why she has been placed in such a difficult situation. However, once Haman's decree against the Jews is publicized (Meg Esther 3:-15), her role becomes clear in that Esther is to be instrumental in saving her people.

"While Esther's story is impressive on the level of intrigue, bravery and adventure, it is made eternal by her self-sacrifice and unmitigated faith. Esther remains a role model not because of her external beauty or because she was queen of a powerful empire, but because of her inner fortitude." [Women in Judaism, Copyright (c) 2000 by Mrs. Leah Kohn] Our traditions recognizes that what makes a woman an *Eishet Chayil*, a true woman of valor and strength, is not her looks but her actions.

In the book, *Praise Her Works: Conversations with Biblical Women*, (Penina Adelman, editor; JPS, 2005), Tamara Cohen offers the following about what we can learn from Esther: "Live with your eyes wide open. Prepare yourself to hear the voice that calls you to fulfill your mission. You are on this earth for a purpose, at least one. Meaning may not come to you like it came to Esther in the Megillah version of things. In fact, it will likely not come that way. But there is always a decree somewhere against somebody. There is always someone's fate in the balance: a whole people, one child, an entire species, a river.

So when you hear the knock at your door, before you answer, stop. First remind yourself that you are not the only one in the universe hearing the call. The entire universe does not rest on your shoulders alone. Then let yourself hear it again. Maybe this voice is yours to answer. How will you know? It can take a long time to grow quiet enough to really listen. Esther gave herself three days. Give yourself time. Be silent. Pray. Ask others to pray with you. Don't hide what you are going through. Find a partner to push you if you need to be pushed. Remember also, that it is likely that when you take a step forward you will at some point find yourself falling back. Life doesn't move only in one direction.

Finally, live with awe. Stand back and let your mouth fill with praise for the beauty around you as naturally as it fills with air. Step forward and speak the truth when it needs to be spoken. Take action when it needs to be taken. Dare to believe that God needs you as a partner on this earth."

Esther as a role model, along with the message of the Purim story, become more and more relevant as our world becomes more and more unpredictable. What we assume and take for granted, can suddenly change. The story of Purim holds out the hope that no matter how bad the circumstances, each of us can do our part to affect the outcome.

Let's make sure our children know why it's really so empowering to dress up as Queen Esther on Purim!



Lorna Wallach



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## In The Community

### Condolences to:

Mike Feldman on the death of his beloved wife, Nettie Feldman (z"l)

### Refuah Shleima to:

Meryl Hubscher, Frieda Ostrowsky, Emanuel Magid, Shirley Ehrich, Roberta Balsam, Beth Giladi, Fernanda Santos & MaryAnn Velez

## March 2019 Yahrzeit Donors

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# Shabbat Soulcial

Dinner. Prayer. Singing. Fun.



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## SHABBAT DINNER

*A CBI Shabbat Experience*



**FREE**

**Friday, March 15**

Shir Shabbat Service at 6:00 p.m.

Dinner at 6:45 p.m.

**Celebrate Shabbat with Family & Friends!**

**Catered Chicken Shabbat Dinner with All the Trimmings!**

*Kid-friendly, vegetarian and gluten-free options...please let us know!*

**NO COST...but we need you to register by March 11.**

**RSVP online at [www.cbi-nj.org](http://www.cbi-nj.org) in "Featured Events"**

**Or, call the synagogue office at 973-379-3811.**

**Thank you to Vav Class families of BBRS, Marvin Fish and Betsy & Phil Darivoff for supporting this Shabbat Soulcial Dinner!**

*We are looking for additional contributors for our monthly Shabbat dinners. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact Harvey Brenner, Executive Director, at [hbrenner@cbi-nj.org](mailto:hbrenner@cbi-nj.org).*



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## Beineynu

By Harvey Brenner, Executive Director

Once again, as I write this column, it is bitter cold, there are the remnants of a snowstorm all around, and more snow is predicted for the rest of winter! Sometimes, you just have to laugh or you'll cry!

When I was a child, I remember being enthralled by snow. I just couldn't get enough of it. It didn't matter that I lived 2 blocks from PS 170 Queens, a half mile from Van Wyck Junior High School and a mile from Jamaica High School; I would have to slog my way through it, smiling and romping all along the way. But now, as an adult and the 'property manager' charged with the safety and security of our congregation, snow and ice are my constant adversaries.

As an adult, I've been less thrilled with it, but snow seems to follow me wherever I go. When I worked in Buffalo, just prior to coming here, I was fortunate to both work and live in the 'north towns' (Williamsville and Amherst) which were relatively snow-free, compared to the 'south towns' (i.e. Buffalo proper) that would get the much-ballyhooed lake-effect "feet" of snow that the TV weather-casters are so fond of mentioning to us down-staters in Metro NYC. In fact, when I was in Israel seven years ago this month, it snowed substantially in Jerusalem and rained torrentially in Tel Aviv. Passing from one city's storm to another reminded me of my commute to CBI from my home in Monmouth County. South of the Driscoll Bridge (near the Raritan Bay on the Garden State Parkway @ Exit 129) we have one weather pattern and north of it a totally different one!

I've been pleased with the way our staff and our contractors have 'risen to the occasion' and either made it in to work under adverse conditions, worked from home or worked longer hours to catch up when we've had weather-related issues. They've supplied us with salt during shortages and plowed through the night so that we could open our doors safely.

For the most part, our own CBI "Emergency Notification System" while not publicly broadcast over the airwaves (with its irritating warning claxon) has functioned as we hoped it would. The BBRS, HGECC and Youth Group leadership teams have collaborated well on determining if and when we have to postpone, delay or cancel programs or events due to the weather, and we've sent that information to the congregation and respective groups through dedicated email blasts.



As long as we are at the mercy of the weather, we'll always err on the side of caution and we'll endeavor to make our program and facility related decisions as early in the day as possible. When threatening weather is forecasted, please continue to check your emails and when in doubt, contact the respective schools or the main office for the latest updates.

Ultimately, you are in charge of your own safety. If you're uncomfortable driving or commuting to a program, stay home. There will be other programs down the road.

So, my friends, stay safe, stay warm, and *B'zrat HaShem*, the next column I write for April, we'll be enjoying the first blushes of spring!

Harvey M. Brenner, FSA, FTA



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KNIT & NOSH: Seated: Marion Mohl  
Standing L-R: Paula Touger, Ruth Novick, Nancy Sloan, Nancy Weinstein, Laurie Kavowras

### 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.

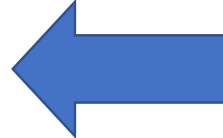
*To become a sponsor:*

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

# Trading Places

**Shabbat Morning // Saturday, March 9**

## FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE

 **will take place in the**  
**SANCTUARY**   
**10:30 a.m.**

*Join us at 10:15 a.m. for a light breakfast in the Motherwell Lobby.*

Our monthly Family Shabbat Service will take place in the Sanctuary this month. The CBI community is invited to join children and parents for this interactive and lively service 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.

We welcome you to bring grandparents and grandchildren, friends and neighbors!

**For those that prefer our Traditional Shabbat Morning Service,  
this will take place in the Multi-Purpose Room (MPR)  
starting at 9:00 a.m.**

Congregants in the MPR will join the Family Shabbat Service in the Sanctuary at 11:30 a.m. for a Torah skit and concluding prayers.

**Everyone is invited for Kiddush in the Social Hall, sponsored by  
Sisterhood and BBRs PA.**



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# FAMILY PURIM CELEBRATION

**Sunday, March 17**  
**9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

**Purim Shpiel  
&  
Costume Parade**  
9:30 - 10:00 a.m.



**COME IN  
COSTUME!**

**SPECIAL  
MUSICAL GUEST!**

**Joanie Leeds**  
*and the Nightlights*

**11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**PURIM  
CARNIVAL**

*Games  
Arts & Crafts  
Prizes*

**10:00 - 11:00 a.m.**

*Pizza  
Ice Cream  
Hamantaschen  
Cotton Candy*  
**Available for Purchase**

**12:00 - 12:30 p.m.**

**Open to the Community!**  
**Bring Family & Friends!**

**Tickets for Carnival AND Concert**

**Children 12 and under -- \$10.00**

**Children 13+ and adults – Free**

*Tickets Available at Door or in Advance at [www.cbi-nj.org](http://www.cbi-nj.org)*

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## Hedwig Gruenewald Early Childhood Center (HGECC)

By Rochelle Baron, Director

This month HGECC will be hosting a preschool Purim Family workshop on Sunday morning, March 3 from 10 to 11:00am in the school wing. It is open to all CBI families with young children and we hope you'll join us to do a craft, sing, hear stories, and of course eat! On Friday morning, March 15, we'll be taking part in "Fueled by Federation" at which representatives from Metrowest will be here during morning arrival to welcome families with coffee and information about Federation programs. We're looking forward to celebrating Purim in our classrooms and with our families and participating in CBI's annual Purim Carnival. As soon as Purim is over we'll jump right into learning about Passover with a visit from our friends at The Living Legacy and the Matzah bakery program.

We are very excited about our program options for the new school year! Beginning September 2019, HGECC will offer



early morning drop off at 7:30am, class programming from 9:00am to 12:30pm, afternoon enrichment from 12:30 to 2:30pm, and extended day from 2:30pm to 6:00pm. There will also be a 'park and ride' option to the Millburn train station for HGECC commuter families. Summer Camp 2019, complete with our new 'carwash' and dynamic weekly themes, is a great way for kids to spend some fun time this summer. Children can attend six, seven, or eight weeks from June 17 through August 9. Please contact me at the school office to learn more about our new endeavors!

Rochelle



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email her at [HGECC@cbi-nj.org](mailto:HGECC@cbi-nj.org)

## Blanche Bayar Religious School (BBRS)

By Rabbi Sharon Litwin, Director of Congregational Learning

Please join BBRS on Saturday March 9 when we swap spaces for our family service.

The Family service will be in the Sanctuary on Shabbat morning, March 9 and we would love to invite everyone in the CBI community to join us, even if you don't have children in the religious school. Bring your grandchildren, bring your friends, your spouses and come pray with our children. This abbreviated service is interactive, lively and a great way to 'shep naches' (have pride in our kids!). We will start with a light breakfast in the Motherwell Lobby at 10:15 followed by services in the Sanctuary from 10:30-12:00. A traditional service will be held at 9:00 in the Chapel. At 11:30 the traditional service will join the Family service for a Torah Skit and concluding prayers. Everyone is invited for Kiddush in the Social Hall, sponsored by the BBRS PA and the Sisterhood.

BBRS PA INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE PURIM WITH:



I am very excited to welcome Joanie Leeds and the NightLights, as our entertainment at our annual Purim Carnival on March 17. Joanie is a favorite performer of the under 10

set, and their older siblings, parents and grandparents are sure to enjoy her high energy style, her quirky lyrics and her fantastic band!

The songs that Joanie Leeds performs reflect the sense that life is a



joyful adventure. Entertaining at birthday parties and pre-schools soon progressed into concert performances nationwide and generated material for seven full length CDs: City Kid, Challah, Challah, I'm A Rock Star, What A Zoo, Bandwagon, Good Egg, Meshugana and Brooklyn Baby! Joanie has also released 2 full length DVDs, City Kid Live and Joanie Leeds & The Nightlights- Live from Madison Square Park. Joanie is currently touring the country performing at concerts and leading songwriter workshops while maintaining a busy teaching schedule, song commission work and of course her favorite job is mama to her 3 year old daughter.

**Sunday March 17**

**9:30-10:00am Purim Shpiel and Costume Parade**

**10:00am-11:am - Purim Carnival Games and Prizes**

**11:00am-12:00pm - Joanie Leeds Concert**

**12:00-12:30 - LUNCH!! Pizza, Ice Cream, Hamantaschen for sale**

**All are welcome! Come in costumes, win prizes, bring your friends!**

**Tickets for children 12 and under \$10 for both the carnival and the concert! Children 13+ and Adults are free.**

Rabbi Sharon Litwin



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## Sisterhood's Message

By Laurie Kavowras and Ruth Novick



Laurie Kavowras



Ruth Novick

Purim is coming! We love Purim – the *hamantaschen*, the costumes, the noise making. But mostly, we are inspired by the women at the center of the story. Indeed, Purim is one of the few Jewish holidays where the women ARE the story.

First, there's Vashti. She makes a brief but impactful appearance in the story. Vashti is beautiful and, as it turns out, strong willed. She refuses the command of King Ahasuerus, her husband, to dance at the feast he presides over. Vashti refuses. She pays dearly, losing her crown and being banished. Her exile paves the way for Esther, her more famous counterpart. But Vashti has also been heralded as one of the original feminists. Harriet Beecher Stowe wrote in 1878 that Vashti's decision was a "first stand for woman's rights" and that "we shall stand amazed that there was a woman found at the head of the Persian empire that dared to disobey the command even of a drunken monarch." About 20 years later, the Woman's Bible commentary put together by suffragist Elizabeth Cady Stanton called Vashti "a sublime representative of self-centered womanhood" who rises "to the heights of self-consciousness and of self-respect."

And of course, there's Esther. Everyone knows her – she even has a book named after her! She is tasked with saving the Jews from Haman's evil extermination plan. She is more calculated and more subtle than Vashti. Indeed, while Vashti reacts immediately to Ahasuerus' unreasonable demands, Esther takes her time before appearing before the king to reveal her true identity and Haman's nefarious plot. She plays the system to her own advantage. Crafty, huh? The women have different styles, but can both be described as independent, savvy, courageous, brave, outspoken and heroic. Both serve as role models to women everywhere. We celebrate both of them on March 20 and 21.

Two of Sisterhood's regular programs, Mah Jongg and Knit and Knosh, return this month on Wednesday, March 13 and Tuesday, March 19, respectively. We are thrilled with the turnout at these programs. Please join us!

Looking ahead, our Women's Seder returns on April 7 and will feature new Passover songs and the CBI band. Look for the flyer with all of the information. This is a hugely popular event so respond early!

### Upcoming Events:

*Mah Jongg*  
*Knit and Knosh*  
*Women's Seder*

Wednesday, March 13  
Tuesday, March 19  
Sunday, April 7

Laurie Kavowras and Ruth Novick



## Purim: Chants Of Joy! CBI Chanting Circle

Join us in the Chapel on **Sunday, March 17th, at 5 PM** for an especially joyous Hebrew chant and song circle with musical accompaniment.

**We will be in the merry month of Adar when we are told to increase our joy! Winter will soon be over and in just a few days Purim is here. And there is no easier mitzvah to fulfill!**

**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.**

**For further information, contact  
[lenhausman@msn.com](mailto:lenhausman@msn.com)**



**FOR 6-11 YEAR OLDS**  
**HANG OUT PLACE**  
**ON SHABBAT**  
**in the**  
**YOUTH LOUNGE**

**Need a little break from services?**

Visit the Youth Lounge  
with our new collection  
of board games and playing cards.

(Open every Shabbat from 9:00–noon)

**CBI Kadima 2019 Events**

Thursday, January 10th 6:00-7:15  
Shark Tank - Dinner and Event in Youth Lounge

Thursday, January 24th 6:00-7:15  
Tu B'shevat Ice Cream Seder- Dinner and Event in Youth Lounge

Thursday, February 7th 6:00-7:15  
Top Chef - Dinner and Event in Youth Lounge

Thursday, February 28th 6:00-7:15  
Israel Night – Dinner and Event in Youth Lounge

Thursday, March 14th 6:00-7:15  
Masquerade – Dinner and Event in Youth Lounge

Thursday, April 4th 6:00-7:15  
Ga Ga and Games – Dinner and Event in Youth Lounge

Thursday, April 11th 6:00-7:15  
Chocolate Seder – Dinner and Event in Youth Lounge

Thursday, May 2nd 6:00-7:15  
Final Banquet – Chinese Dinner and Event in Youth Lounge

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)

**Millburn USY 2019 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:

Sunday, January 6th 12:00-1:00 – AIPAC Informational Meeting

Thursday, January 10th 7:30-9:00 – Make Your Own Pizza and a Movie

Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup> – MLK Mitzvah Day 2019

Wednesday, January 30th 7:30-9:00 – Tu B'shevat Celebration

Thursday, February 7th 7:30-9:00 – Murder Mystery Party

Thursday, February 28th 7:30-9:00 – Clowning Around

Thursday, March 7th 7:30-9:00 – March Madness

Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> TBD – Purim Palooza

Thursday, April 4th 7:30-9:00 – Amazing Race

Thursday, April 11th 7:30-9:00 – Paper Airplanes

Wednesday, May 1st 7:30-9:00 – Elections

Thursday, May 9th 7:30-9:00 – Annual Bonfire

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!

**Chaverim Updated Winter / Spring Schedule**

- **2/26: Top Chef Chaverim** (changed from 2/12 snow day)
- **3/5: Super Whacky Purim Game Night**
- **4/2: Cupcake Wars**
- **4/30: End of the Year Field Day and Ice Cream Party**

All events take place immediately after Religious School (6:00 – 7:15) Pick up promptly at 7:15.

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.

## MEN'S CLUB MINUTE

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

**Men's Club Shabbat** was once again a rousing spiritual, theatrical, communal and culinary success.

BH, there were more than 50 participants and 8 cholents.

Friday night we enjoyed a delicious Shabbat Dinner prepared by David Touger that included 70 people singing zmeirot and benching together. The Parsha Players and Dan Richter brought Parshat Yitro to life.

We all enjoyed a warm Kiddush including the Men's Club Cholent Contest.

This year the **Koveted Kiddush Kup** went to... a curry cholent! A good time was had by all. Thanks to all the participants and especially the many folks who worked behind the scenes to make the day a success.

Other events coming soon include:



Jonathan Schor



Alex Marcus

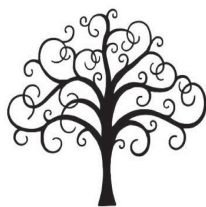
CBI Rock Climbing – March 3rd - Join CBI for an afternoon of rock climbing and lunch at the Gravity Vault. The event is open to the entire CBI community. Kids over age 5 are welcome to participate and climb as well. Contact Andy Cohen at [cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com](mailto:cbimensclubmillburn@gmail.com) for more information.

**Men's Club Paid Up Breakfast** – April 7th - Stay tuned for more information....

And looking ahead to Passover, once again Men's Club will be selling kosher wine:  
[www.tinyurl.com/passoverwine2019](http://www.tinyurl.com/passoverwine2019)

Also, on the Men's Club schedule is weekly basketball, Monday & Wednesday, at Hartshorn School, and of course the day that Pitchers and Catchers report for Men's Club Softball is rapidly approaching - if you are interested in playing, please let us know.

Jonathan Schor & Alex Marcus



### Shabbat Journeymen's Minyan If it's not a "minyan," what is it?

Among the wonderful programs that we have at CBI, one of our hidden gems is our Shabbat Journeymen's Minyan (SJM). Once a month, SJM is an opportunity for congregants to get together on Shabbat morning to discuss and explore a topic related to Jewish life. Since the discussions are lay-led, the choice of topic is up to

the person leading the discussion. It can be something that relates to the weekly Torah portion, the liturgy, religious holidays or whatever topic the leader chooses.

Our next SJM will be on

**Saturday, March 16 at 10:45 a.m.**

Please join us in Room 205 (upstairs in the school wing) for a stimulating hour of learning and discussion.

**All are welcome!**

**DON'T MISS  
THE DEADLINE!**

Please note, the deadline for the APRIL 2019 bulletin is March 4. Information contained in the bulletin each month is time sensitive. We appreciate your cooperation in order to ensure that the Bulletin reaches everyone by the beginning of each month. Space

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**Thursday, March 7 at CBI Thursday,** Join us to screen the award winning smash hit *A Star is Born*. Many of you may remember the James Mason, Judy Garland version or even the Janet Gaynor, Fredrick March original. In the current telling, Bradley Cooper and Lady Gaga fuse their considerable talents to depict the raw and passionate tale of Jack and Ally, two artistic souls coming together, on stage and in life. Theirs is a complex journey through the beauty and the heartbreak of a relationship struggling to survive.

**Thursday, March 21 at CBI** Hirschhorn speaker and noted art lecturer Sheryl Urman Intrator will discuss French anti-Semitism as it relates to the Danish-French impressionist/Neo impressionist artist Camille Pissarro. Please join us to learn how the Dreyfus Affair affected Pissarro's art and relationships with his fellow artists.

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.

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## B'NAI MITZVAH



### **Charlotte Troll**    March 16

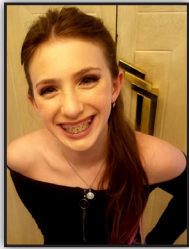
Charlotte is in 7th grade at Millburn Middle School. She enjoys playing basketball, soccer, softball, and spending time with her friends.

For her Mitzvah project, Charlotte will be collecting paper goods for the Isaiah House. The Isaiah house is a shelter located in East Orange that helps provide temporary and permanent housing, food, social and financial services for families and individuals.

One of the many reasons the Isaiah House is so special is because it works hard to ensure that the family unit remains intact; whatever the family make-up is, they can remain together at the Isaiah House rather than separate and stay in multiple places.

Charlotte is excited to celebrate her bat mitzvah with her parents, Nealy and David, her brothers Caleb and Eli, as well as her grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Charlotte thanks everyone who helped her prepare for this special day, most especially Rabbi Litwin, Paula Touger, Cantor Wallach, and Rabbi Bayar.



### **Rebekkah Merkel**    March 23

Rebekkah is a sixth grader at Millburn Middle School. She has been a part of the CBI community since the day she was born so she is very excited to be celebrating becoming a bat mitzvah. She is a graduate of HGECC where she met some of her best and lifelong friends.

Rebekkah loves being part of the JCC's Triple Threat Theater Camp, going to Broadway shows, concerts, as well as watching football with her dad and running with her mom.

For her Mitzvah project, Rebekkah researched the Valerie Fund, an organization that supports children with cancer and blood disorders. This resonated with her as one of her cousins is a pediatric cancer survivor and her Aunt Jill now works as a nurse for a Valerie Fund center. Rebekkah signed up to host a Valerie Fund table at CBI's annual Mitzvah Day where she collected goods for Valerie Fund's Camp Happy Times, a 1-week overnight camp for any child that has/had cancer. She also plans to connect her love of running to the Valerie Fund by running the Valerie Fund 5k in June with the goal of continuing to support of this organization.

Rebekkah is happy to share this special day with her parents (Scott & Stacy), her sister (Eliza), grandparents (Greta & Ira Cohen, Ron & Linda Merkel, Angela Bulmer, Robert & Aie Bulmer) and great-grandmother (Gina Merkel), as well as her many friends and family who traveled from near & far. Rebekkah would like to thank Paula Touger, Rabbi Sharon, Cantor Wallach and Rabbi Bayar for helping her prepare for this day.



### **Benjamin Klein**    March 30

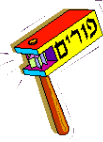
Benjamin Aron Klein is a 7th grader at Millburn Middle School.

His favorite sport is baseball, which he plays or practices every season of the year. He also enjoys playing basketball and street hockey. His friends call him 'BK', and his favorite teams to watch are the Yankees and Devils.

Benjamin also plays the viola in the MMS orchestra. When not working out or watching his teams, he enjoys reading and spending time with his family watching movies and playing video games.

For his mitzvah project, Benjamin will be helping to provide access to sport for underprivileged individuals, either because of socioeconomic reasons or physical handicap.

Benjamin's family is so proud of him, including his brother, Ethan, his mom and dad, Genna and Ilan Klein, his Grandparents Penny and Arthur Klein, and Grandma Debby Waldman, as well as all of his aunts, uncles, and cousins.



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**March 3<sup>rd</sup> 10AM – NOON**

**April 7<sup>th</sup> 10AM – NOON**



**Erev Purim – Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**



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# ISRAEL AFFAIRS

By Joe Tenenbaum



## Israel News – 2019 – The Israel Show

I have written in the past about websites, newsletters and podcasts you can use to follow news about Israel. Today I will tell you about another on-line show, like a podcast, but available in a different manner.

I listen every week to a program called “The Israel Show.” This is a show presented by the Nachum Segal Network, which can be accessed on-line, through Facebook, or through an app for your phone called Nachum Segal Network

I listened to The Israel Show on February 4, and learned about something happening in Israel which to me is a great example of the greatness of Israel, but also of the complicated nature of life there.

There is an Israeli television show entitled Kochav haba, Rising Star. The show is a talent show which is used to find the Israeli contestant for Eurovision, the Europe wide singing contest. The current season has featured amazing performances by the Shalva Band, a band created by the Israeli organization Shalva, an organization dedicated to “empowering and supporting families to raise their children with disabilities with the family framework.” [www.shalva.org](http://www.shalva.org)

I first became aware of Shalva when I first visited in Israel in 2003 on a trip co-sponsored by CBI and by Ziv Tzedakah fund. We visited the Shalva organization in a Jerusalem neighborhood on the side of a hill. We saw how the organization focused on helping the children, and helping the parents by providing them time off from the very demanding imperative of caring for their special needs children. In 2016 they built a much more advanced center to help serve their population.

This year, the Shalva band, which includes 8 talented musicians with disabilities (including blindness, Down Syndrome, or other disabilities is competing in the television show, and has reached the quarter finals.

However, there is a complication because several of the band members are Shomer Shabbat. The problem is that the Eurovision contest requires a Saturday afternoon dress rehearsal. Israel is appealing to organization to show flexibility on their rules, but as of early February, this has not happened. Culture minister Miri Regev has appealed to the organization, but as of now, the Eurovision management has not agreed.

The Eurovision final will be held in Israel this year, and the venue was already changed from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv as

Jerusalem was uncomfortable with the violations of Shabbat which would be required to put on the show. Tel Aviv agreed to be the site of the event, but the popularity of the Shalva Band raised the issue again., As of the first week of February, the Shalva Band has decided to withdraw from the television show.

To see the band perform, and to get updates on this story, search Shalva Band on You Tube or Google.

I encourage you to listen regularly to The Israel Show. To get it for your device, download the Nachum Segal Network App. Once you download the app, you can select NSN Archives, and then select “The Israel Show with Meir Weingarten.” To hear what I reported on today, select the show from February 4, 2019.

## 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](mailto:TenenbaumJ@AOL.com). For those of you who prefer telephones, please call me at 973 768 7440. We are looking for more ways to encourage our community to learn about Israel’s accomplishments and challenges, to support a strong US Israel relationship. Please volunteer.

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

You hope that you are already planning to attend the 2019 Policy Conference. If you have not committed, but are still considering it, please contact me soon to reserve a spot.

We are encouraging everyone to attend, but we have in effect two tracks. We are encouraging high school students and their parents to attend, and we are encouraging our entire community to attend.

The Federation of Greater MetroWest has offered scholarships to a limited number of High School students who attend Policy Conference with a parent. In order to qualify for the scholarship, the student must attend a program on February 3, and another event on March 3, and recruit two other students for the March 3 event. While the deadline for this program is past, you can still attend the Conference with your child, and you can plan to apply for the scholarship to attend next year. Next year’s Policy Conference will be March 1 – 3, 2020.

As of this writing, we still have some of the discounted registrations for \$399 which may be used by congregants, or their friends and family who wish to be part of our delegation. To take advantage of this program contact me by e-mail at



TenenbaumJ@AOL.com or call me at (973) 768-7440.

AIPAC works very hard to support the US Israel Relationship in a bi-partisan manner, building relationships with all members of Congress, Democrats and Republicans to make sure that they all understand the value of this relationship to the United States. With the election of new Congressional Representatives in New Jersey, it is very important that we show these new members how important the US Israel relationship is to our community. The best way to demonstrate that is to have a very strong delegation attend the Policy Conference and particularly to attend the Tuesday afternoon lobbying sessions on Capitol Hill. You all know the importance of first impressions. We need to make a great first impression on the new Representatives by having a large delegation of local constituents meet with them on Tuesday afternoon during the conference.

**Live 365 with Michael Solomonov March 28, 2019**

I hope you had an opportunity to attend the Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh event featuring Israeli food, and the film about

Israeli Chef, Michael Solomonov in February. If you enjoyed that event, you will want to attend an upcoming Federation event. On March 28, Michael Solomonov will be appearing at a Greater Metrowest Live365 event at the Sheraton Parsippany. For more information, contact Kimberly Farrell at kfarrell@jfedgmw.org or call (908) 288-2414.

**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:

**Avera Mangistu Hisham al Sayed**

Joe Tenenbaum

To contact Joe Tenenbaum,  
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**You are invited to a Purim Family Workshop!**  
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**What:** Crafts, stories, songs and refreshments

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