

B'NAI ISRAEL BULLETIN



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IT'S JANUARY

JOIN RABBI ROSENTHAL FOR TORAH
STUDY AND ADULT EDUCATION ON THE
11TH AND 25TH

Rabbi Rosenthal's Message

During our Shabbat service on January 17th, we will celebrate Shabbat Tzedek, a shabbat of righteousness that honors Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy.

As I was beginning to prepare for this special shabbat, I came across the following teaching, that offers inspiration and a meaningful charge for not only that specific shabbat, but also for the secular New Year.

Dr. King writes,

“Courage is an inner resolution to go forward despite obstacles.
Cowardice is submissive surrender to circumstances.
Courage breeds creativity; Cowardice represses fear and is mastered by it.
Cowardice asks the question, is it safe?
Expediency asks the question, is it politic?
Vanity asks the question, is it popular?
But, conscience asks the question, is it right?”
Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
Radio Broadcast, KPFA, Santa Rita CA, January 14, 1968.



What I love about this quote is that Dr. King's call to courage is not about grandiose action but rather grounding ourselves in what is right, especially when it is neither easy nor convenient.

To me, this is the heart of Judaism.

To be Jewish is to seek to be righteous. There is the famous story about a potential convert once asked Rabbi Hillel to be taught the whole Torah while his teacher stood on one foot. Rabbi Hillel responded, “What is hateful to you, do not do to your fellow. The rest [of Torah] is commentary—go and study.” Just as Rabbi Hillel teaches us, the way we treat others, partner with them, ally with them, and stand up with them is at the heart of our tradition. Our prayers can be understood in this way as well. Jewish prayers remind us of what a perfect world— one which is full of peace, blessing and gratitude, looks like. This stands in stark contrast to divisions, inequities and intolerance that exist in the real world. Recognizing this juxtaposition is a powerful motivator to make change, holding fast to doing what is right.

Social justice is deeply woven into Judaism. We are called to love the stranger as ourself and affirm that people of color matter and are holy, created in the image of God. We stand firmly in our commitment to ally with all oppressed peoples to create a more just and equitable system.

Even our holidays reflect this ethic. Many mitzvot or commandments oblige us to include righteous and communal acts. We invite guests to our festive meals, give tzedakah right before shabbat and during the High Holy Days, send mishloach manot to friends and give gifts to the poor on Purim, and welcome guests to the Passover seder and our Sukkot meals.

As we enter the secular New Year, tzedek, or righteousness is an essential and powerful kavanah or intention to guide us. May we pursue justice together by honoring Dr. King's legacy and lifting up our Jewish principles with love and passion, always keeping in mind what is right.

2025

Torah Study & Adult Education

CLASS SCHEDULE

10:00 am Torah Study

11:00 am Adult Education

January 11 and 25

February 1 and 8

March 1

April 26

May 10

Up To

Off



Schedule is subject to change. Please watch the weekly email, bulletin, and online calendar for updates.

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President's Message

A new year is upon us. 2024 is finished and on to 2025.

Starting in June a new Temple Board will be installed, and I will have concluded my three years as President. The nominating committee will be meeting shortly to select a new slate of Trustees and Officers. If you have an interest in serving on the board, please either let myself or Paul Fink, who will be chairing the nominating committee, know. Please remember that you must be a member in good standing and have been a member of the temple for at least eight months.



It is so important to not look back but to look forward. The Membership Committee has completed collecting their surveys to see what programs and activities might be of interest to our members. I know Fran thanked those who completed the survey in her article, and I would like to do the same. I am excited to see what new opportunities for our members come from the results as 2025 moves forward.

We hope that as the temperatures are colder you will join us on Friday nights for the warmth of the heat in the sanctuary as well as the warmth of the communal prayer.

Jeannette and I wish you and your families a safe and happy New Year!

l'Shalom
Seth C. Berman

Outreach Committee - Alice Lambert

Happy New Year!

While you are making resolutions for the New Year, I'm asking you to resolve to make donations to the "Outreach Fund," and to bring non-perishable food and personal hygiene items to the Temple whenever you come into the building. There are brown bins, in the lobbies of the Temple and school buildings, into which you can place your donations. These donations will be brought to the Chestene Coverdale Sayville Food Pantry which is having more trouble than usual keeping the shelves full.

This letter, from the staff of the Pantry, shows the appreciation of the food and monetary donations we were able to make from the High Holy Day food drive.

As always, gift cards to supermarkets or pharmacies are welcome. These are given out to families who are going through a rough time and need help.

If you, or anyone you know within our congregational community, is in need of our help, please reach out to me and I will see what we can do. All requests are kept in strict confidence.

Thank you for your continuing support.

The Chestene M. Coverdale Food Pantry, Inc.

47 Gillette Avenue • Sayville, NY 11782

The Gillette House
Tue-Wed-Thurs. 9:00am - 12:00pm
(631) 244-8375



December 1, 2024

Mrs. Alice Lambert
Elihu Israel Reform Temple
67 Oakdale Road
Oakdale, NY 11785

Dear Alice,

Once again we thank the Elihu Israel community for all their support and kindness to the Coverdale Food Pantry. Your ongoing food and monetary donations enable us to help so many in need in our area. Your recent \$500 check ensured that all our recipients received a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner.

On behalf of all our volunteers and recipients may we wish you a wonderful holiday season. And a happy and healthy New Year.

Sincerely,


Charlene Lehmann
Director



SISTERHOOD

January 2025
Happy New Year!

Why Does the Jewish Calendar Change Every Year?

People often say: "The Jewish holidays are late this year" or "The Jewish holidays are early this year." In fact, the holidays never are early or late; they are always on time, according to the Jewish calendar. Unlike the Gregorian (civil) calendar, which is based on the sun, the Jewish calendar is based primarily on the moon, with adjustments made for the differences between the solar and lunar cycles. In 2026, we will see Rosh Hashanah on 9/11 and in 2027 we will share Hanukkah and Christmas Eve.

Sisterhood has been busy planning our calendar for the remainder of 2026. Thank you, Trisha & Natalie. We have some fantastic programs and events and hope you will join us. We have something for everyone! Wishing everyone a year ahead filled with joy, peace, health and unforgettable moments!

Joi Garvin, Sisterhood President



- 1/21/25 Book Discussion
- 2/18/25 Wine & Cheese Movie Night
- 3/25/25 Women's Seder
- 4/22/25 Rosh Chodesh w/ Rabbi
- 5/04/25 Drag Bingo Brunch
- 5/27/25 End of Year Dinner

BOOK DISCUSSION

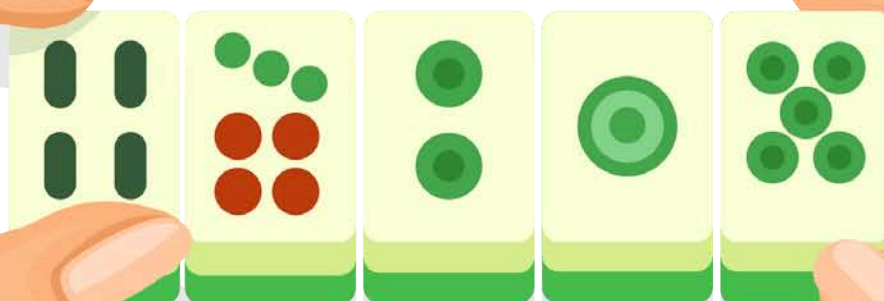
with a Hot Chocolate Bar

January 21 at 7pm

PERIOD. END OF SENTENCE.

BY ANITA DIAMANT

LAST CALL



Order your 2025 Mah Jong cards!

***The new Mah Jong cards are coming!
Another year, another challenge!***

The 2025 Mah Jong Card orders will be taken until 1/10/2025

**The prices from the League, per card, are as follows:
Standard card is \$14.00 and Large card is \$15.00**

All checks are to be made payable to B'nai Israel Sisterhood
and mailed along with a list of names and addresses to:
Thea Gunther, 219 Normandy Road, Massapequa, NY 11758

A form is supplied for your convenience below. Any questions, please feel free to contact Thea at 516-541-1332. Your Sisterhood thanks you for your support. ENJOY!

Names & Addresses	# of Cards	\$ Total



Membership Matters

Jewish Life Survey

Thank you to all those who took the time to complete the Jewish Life Survey. The Membership Committee will be reviewing results this month and will share highlights from your feedback over the next few months. We appreciate your input, which will guide our planning of future events/activities.

Special Interest Groups

Our Special Interest Groups are ongoing and a way of getting to know fellow congregants who share common interests. New ideas for groups are always welcome, so send your thoughts to Fran Leiboff at membership@bnai-israel.org.

Current Groups and their contacts

Couples Connections—Email Rich Motlin at: richard.motlin@gmail.com to join a variety of activities with other couples.

Interfaith Group—Email Ellie Smith at esmith11@sjny.edu (or call at 631-806-3737) to gather and share experiences and interests. This group welcomes those in interfaith relationships, those who have family or friends in interfaith relationships, and those who have converted.

Leisurely Singles Group—This group had a busy December. We met at the Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center on December 1st. We explored the display about the Holocaust and then listened to the songs from the play “The Diary.” Of course, we enjoyed a meal together after the performance. In mid-December, we gathered for a Hanukkah gathering, eating lots of good food and enjoying each other’s company.

On January 12th, at 1:00pm, we will meet at the Agean Cafe in Sayville. We will go to a movie after lunch. Please call Barbara at 631-495-7511 if you plan to attend as the time might change based on the movie schedule.

Stay tuned for information about future activities.

Snowbirds Group—Call Barbie Saslau at 631-553-5723 to participate in monthly gatherings between January and April while in Florida. The group plans to dine together the first Shabbat of each month and then attend B’nai Israel services via Zoom. Those who participated last year are excited about planning these wonderful evenings again.

If you have any general questions about membership or ideas for forming a special interest group, let us know: membership@bnai-israel.org

Torah & Haftarah Readings

January 4th: Genesis ch. 44 vs. 18 through ch. 47 vs. 27
Ezekiel ch. 37 vss. 15 through 28

January 11th: Genesis ch. 47 vs. 28 through ch. 50 vs. 26
I Kings ch. 2 vss. 1 through 12

January 18th: Exodus ch. 1 vs. 1 through ch. 6 vs. 1
Isaiah ch. 27 vs. 6 through ch. 28 vs. 13; ch. 29 vss. 22 through 23

January 25th: Exodus ch. 6 vs. 2 through ch. 9 vs. 35
Ezekiel ch. 28 vs. 25 through ch. 29 vs. 21



Do you shop at Stop & Shop?

If Yes, you can purchase Stop & Shop Gift Cards from the Temple and the we get a percentage back as a donation!

They can be purchased through our website or see Rich Lindner on Friday evenings or call (516) 641-8050 or the Temple Office.

Consider donating these gift cards to the Temple's Outreach Committee to help others in our community who are in need of some assistance.

Dynamic Chair Yoga with Bonnie Rubell

Dynamic Chair Yoga is an intermediate level yoga class held at our Temple every Thursday morning at 10:30 am. **Classes start up again on Thursday, January 9th**

This is an active yoga class for fit seniors who want to start or continue their yoga practices. This class presents modifications for many yoga poses. Students choose the modifications which work best for them. This is a Hatha chair approach aimed at building body strength for balance and flexibility for life activities such as walking, hiking, travel, dog walking, kayaking and more. Special therapeutic exercises on the Yoga mat will address typical age-related physical changes and conditions. Senior Yoga is strengthening, therapeutic and protective for body and mind. It's also social and fun. This class is also appropriate for all ages who want to get back to an exercise program after a long break.





RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

THE CHANUKAH FESTIVAL DURING RELIGIOUS SCHOOL WAS SO MUCH FUN!!! CHECK OUT OUR T-SHIRTS



WE ALL HAD FUN AT THE CHANUKAH PARTY! THANK YOU SISTERHOOD FOR SPONSORING AND MAKING THE LATKES!

IMPORTANT DATES IN JANUARY

JANUARY 10 : FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICES 7:15 ALL STUDENT CAN/WILL PARTICIPATE

JANUARY 25: F AMILY FUN MOVIE NIGHT

JANUARY 17: KID-DISH SHABBAT SERVICES 7:00PM

THINGS TO WATCH FOR

FEBRUARY 14: FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICES AT 7:15PM

FEBRUARY 21: KID-ISH SHABBAT SERVICES AT 7:00AM

MARCH 1: FAMILY FUN BINGO NIGHT

LIBRARY INFORMATION

Thank you to Sarah Vezina for reorganizing and making our library easy for all to use!



We will be starting the reading club soon to encourage students and parents to read together! More information to follow

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

In case of emergency school closings or delayed openings announcements will be made by email.

(If we do not have your current email address and you have not been receiving correspondences, please email us at school@bnai-israel.org with your current email address.)

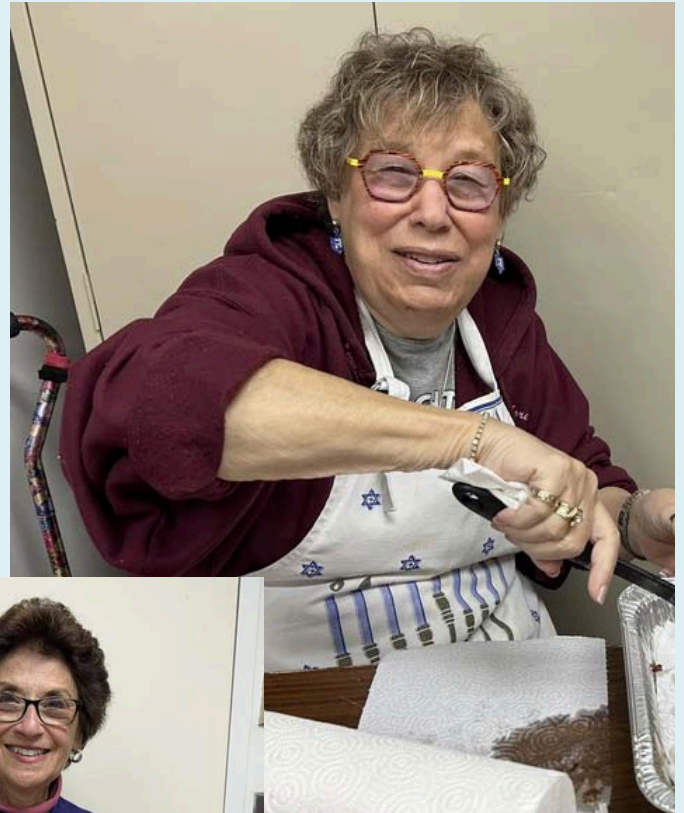
PLEASE KEEP BRINGING IN TZEDAKAH AND/OR DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL PHOTO ALBUM



December 2024

Latke making by Sisterhood



December 2024

Winter Coat Drive



We were truly welcomed and thanked for our generosity with the needed coats, etc. at St. Anne's in Brentwood by priest Ayala. Thank you all for your generous donations! They will be distributed to the neediest of populations.
Ellie Smith

Karaoke Night



SONKIN'S

sensational

LOTTERY RAFFLE

5TH ANNUAL

If your raffle ticket number matches the evening New York State 3-digit drawing you win the prize shown on the calendar below on that date.

Donation: \$5.00 per ticket

To purchase tickets

please either contact the Temple Office
or **visit bnai-israel.org to purchase online**

TICKET SALES START JANUARY 1, 2025

April 2025 Prize Calendar						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 \$100	2 \$25	3 \$50	4 \$75	5 \$25
6 \$50	7 \$25	8 \$50	9 \$25	10 \$50	11 \$100	12 \$25
13 \$50	14 \$25	15 \$100	16 \$75	17 \$50	18 \$25	19 \$50
20 \$50	21 \$25	22 \$25	23 \$50	24 \$25	25 \$50	26 \$25
27 \$50	28 \$25	29 \$25	30 \$250			

Donations & Contributions

We gratefully acknowledge the following donors for their contributions to B'nai Israel Reform Temple:

Ethan William Snair Memorial Fund

Gammie - In loving memory of my beloved grandson Ethan William Snair
Roberta Snair Saraceni - In loving memory of my beloved grandson Ethan William Snair
Jerry & Roberta Snair Saraceni - In memory of Lauren Gerkens
Jerry & Roberta Snair Saraceni - In memory of Bradley Miller

Help-A-Family

Rochelle & Gerald Slochevsky
Toby Bolson - In loving memory of my mother, Bess Leibowitz
Nadine & Asa Singer

Building Fund

Fran Leiboff - In memory of Bradley Miller

Yahrzeit Fund

Barbara Abrams - In memory of Muriel Abrams
Nadine & Asa Singer - In memory of Joseph Singer
Nadine & Asa Singer - In memory of Abraham Sloane
Roberta Rosen Stein - In memory of Joel Rosen
Jerry Stein - In memory of Elaine R. Stein
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Debby Lazen - In memory of Sally Lux
Debby Lazen - In memory of Bernie Lazen
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Michele & Allen Kaminsky - In memory of Marvin Kaminsky



Ira Rosenfeld Memorial Scholarship Fund

Fran Leiboff - In memory of Myles Fink
Angela Rosenfeld - In memory of Myles Fink
Angela Rosenfeld - In memory of Lauren Gerkens
Alice & Mike Lambert - In memory of Bradley Miller
Sheila & Jerry Kessler - In memory of Bradley Miller

General Fund

Mary & Paul Fink - In loving memory of my brother, Myles B. Fink
Mary & Mike Levine
Barbara & Bob Kersch - Mazel tov former congregant Lee Zeldin on his appointment to head the US EPA.
Trish & Richard Lindner - In memory of Erin M. Lynch
Ellen & Richard Motlin - In memory of Myles Fink
Amy Abrams - In memory of Gerald Abrams
Debby Lazen - In memory of Bradley Miller
Barbara Abrams - In memory of Bradley Miller
Debby Lazen - In memory of Myles Fink
Barbara Abrams - In memory of Eileen Goldberg
Barbara Abrams - In memory of Myles Fink
Alice & Mike Lambert - In memory of Myles Fink
Karen Smollins - In memory of Myles Fink

Religious School Fund

Linda & Nick Monaco - In memory of Eileen Goldberg
Alice & Mike Lambert - In memory of Irwin Lensky
Alice & Mike Lambert - In memory of Eileen Goldberg
Alice & Mike Lambert - In memory of Lauren Gerkens

Outreach

Shirley Leiboff - In honor of Elson's 90th birthday
Natalie & Semsettin Berhumoglu - In honor of Alice Lambert's 80th birthday
Natalie & Semsettin Berhumoglu - Thank you Rabbi & Cantor for awesome High Holiday services

To make a donation online please visit www.bnai-israel.org/donations

January 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
29	30	Dec 31	1	2	3	4	
			Last Night of Hanukkah	8pm Fundraising Committee (Zoom)	8pm Shabbat Service	No School	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
	6:30pm School Grades 7 & 9 7pm School Grade High School	7pm Sisterhood Board Meeting		10:30am Chair Yoga	Bulletin Deadline 7:15pm Family Service with Grades PreK-6	9:30am School grades 3-6 9:30am School Grades PreK-2 10am Torah Study 11am Adult Education	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
	6:30pm School Grades 7 & 8			10:30am Chair Yoga 7:30pm Temple Board Meeting	7pm Kid-ish Shabbat 8pm Shabbat Tzedek Service	9:30am School grades 3-6	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
	No School 7:30pm Finance Committee	7pm Sisterhood Meeting		10:30am Chair Yoga	8pm Shabbat Service	Family Fun Night: Movie Night 9:30am School grades 3-6 9:30am School Grades PreK-2 10am Torah Study 11am Adult Education	
26	27	28	29	30	31	Feb 1	
	6:30pm School Grades 7 & 9			10:30am Chair Yoga	7:30pm Musical Shabbat		
2	3	Notes					

February 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
26	27	28	29	30	Jan 31	1 9:30am School grades 3-6 10am Torah Study 11am Adult Education	
2	3 6:30pm School Grades 7 & 8 7pm School Grade High School	4 7pm Sisterhood Board Meeting	5	6 10:30am Chair Yoga	7 8pm Shabbat Service	8 9:30am School grades 3-6 9:30am School Grades PreK-2 10am Torah Study 11am Adult Education	
9	10 Bulletin Deadline 6:30pm School Grades 7 & 9	11	12	13 10:30am Chair Yoga	14 7:15pm Family & Tu Bishevat Service & Scout Shabbat	15 9:30am School grades 3-6	
16	17 No School 7:30pm Finance Committee	18 7pm Sisterhood Meeting	19	20 10:30am Chair Yoga 7:30pm Temple Board Meeting	21 7pm Kid-ish Shabbat 8pm Shabbat Service	22 No School	
23 6:30pm School Grades 7 & 8	24	25	26	27 10:30am Chair Yoga	28 8pm Shabbat Service	Mar 1	
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TURN YOUR MAZEL TOU INTO A MITZVAH

SPONSOR AN ONEG



Oneg means "joy" and the Oneg Shabbat is the nosh congregants and guests share after a Friday night service. This is a time when we meet newcomers, share a laugh with old friends, and connect with each other in the spirit of Shabbat.

You can sponsor an Oneg in remembrance of a loved one on their yahrzeit, in honor of a milestone, the birth of a child, an anniversary, a birthday, an engagement, or any other Simcha, "happy occasion." It is a wonderful way to celebrate being part of the Temple B'nai Israel community.

Contact Karen in the office at (631) 563-1660 for details and more information.

Condolences

The B'nai Israel Reform Temple extends its deepest condolences to the Nagel family on the loss of Amy's uncle, Lenny Garber; to the Goldberg family on the loss of Robert's wife & Andrew's mother, Eileen; to the Abramowitz family on the loss of Faith's father, Irwin Lensky; to the Fink family on the loss of Paul's brother, Myles Fink; to the Tadmor family on the loss of Heather's sister, Lauren and to the Miller & Neckameyer families on the loss of Rick & Ileana's brother, Bradley Miller. May they find comfort in the blessings of good memories that will always be theirs.

Yahrzeits

January 3rd
*Naomi Aronson
*Elizabeth Avergun
*Robert Bard
*Abner Berenblatt
*Max Berger
*Samuel Berger
*Harry Bergman
*Jack Bermowitz
*Jack Bloschinsky
*Dorene Blumenthal
*Edward Blumenthal
*Paul Bolkin
*Sara Bonsey
*Sarah Brody
*Barbara Capon
*Nik Ericson
*Sylvia Fineberg
*Howard Fisher
*Murray Gainsburg
*Thea Gold
*Louis Goldstein
*Albert Holmes
*Pearl Jackson
*Sylvia Kabalkin
*David Katz
*Abe Krasner
*Rose Krauss
*Florence Labiak
*Generose Leibowitz
*Nancy Licht
*Bruce Mowbray
*Albert Nemo
*Abraham Pomerantz
*Dorothy Rosenberg
*Sophie Rosenberg
*Pearl Rothbart
*Florence Rubin
*Phyllis Rubin
*Martin Saltus
*Harry Samuels
*Jeanette Sass
*Norman Teplitz
*Victims Pan-Am Flight
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*Lynette Wagner
*Rose Wasserman
*Maurice Weintraub
*Ruth Williamson
*Sol Yourist
*Ruth Zuckerman

January 10th
*Joseph Abuelo
*Harry Adoff
*Merrill Altman
*Regina Barb
*Linda Burg
*Debra Cernieux
*Helen Cernieux
*Phyllis Cooper
*Irving Crone
*Murray Fine
*Sarah Gaba
*Eileen Garber
*Milton Ginsburg
*Ethel Goldenberg
*Yetta Goldsmith
*Mary Gottlieb
*Victoria Greenspan
*Anne Serra Haines
*Harry Harfe
*Herbert Haselkorn
*Seymour Israel
*Harry Kaplan
*Eleanor Lesch Kelly
*Ed Kersch
*Harry Lefkowitz
*Betty Lentin
*Karen Levine
*Mort Muhlstein
*Trudy Neckameyer
*Henry Neidish
*Leah Persoff
*Shirley Pollack
*Jacob Rivilis
*Rosalie Rock
*Samuel Rosenthal
*Jacob Rosenzweig
*Simha Sabah
*Joseph Saunders
*Ben Scherr
*Jack Schneider
*Frank Schwartz
*Abraham Seltzer
*Carl Siegal
*Samuel Singer
*Rose Sobel
*Neil Stickler
*Lizette Temple
*Joseph Terry
*Harold Travin
*Edna Ullman
*Esther Wiener

January 17th
*Ida Abramowitz
*Jennie Abramowitz
*Gershon Altman
*Helmut Altman
*Martha Altman
*Harry Berman
*Renee Byan
*Anne Dachinger
*Louis Epstein
*Pauline Ehrlich
*Renee Fishman
*Marvin Freedman
*Glenn Friedman
*Max Gelband
*David Gluck
*Bessie Goldstein
*Anna Greenberg
*Lajos Gutman
*Stanley Hellin
*Martha Herzfeld
*Joseph Kaplan
*Samuel Karmelin
*Henrietta Kaufman
*Louis Klinger
*Shirley Klinger
*Sigo Lack
*Henry Lazen
*Pearl Levine
*Dorothy K. Levy
*Samuel Luria
*Carl Moon
*Audrey Neidish
*Harold Perkal
*Ben Pettick
*Robert Roth
*Jacob Ryskind
*Morris Salth
*Ida Skolnick
*Ethel Stein
*Shirley Tieman
*Libby Toback
*Barbara Truocchio
*Harry Weber
*Benjamin Weiss
*Ruth Weiss
*Theodore Wenacur

January 24th
*Charles Cohen
*Gus Cohen
*Muriel Cohen
*Celia Geller
*Sylvia Goldbaum
*Morton Goldberg
*Linda Sue Gray
*Seymour Gross
*James F. Interlicchio
*Teri Irthum
*Ruth Levine
*Sidney Lowenberg
*Lila Morrison
*Nathan Pollack
*Eugene Russell
*Louis Schneider
*Jacob Schuchman
*Sam Spergel
*Walter Sprague
*Betty Stone
*Sam Stulzaft
*Phyllis Taitz
*Susan Topf
*Lena Weinstein
*Liane West
*Rosalie Wetzler
*Jacob Zimmerman

January 31st
*Albert Abrams
*Robert Atkins
*Minnie Baker
*Herbert Balkin
*Elsie Cole
*Hannah Deckinger
*Lawrence Ellner
*Louis Farrell
*Selma Fisher
*Gertrude Frankel
*Henrietta Gabay
*Morris Gelbert
*Sydell Geller
*Nathan Pollack
*Joseph Goldberg
*Norman Green
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*Dora Rosenberg
*Al Roth
*Jerome Rovinsky
*Joseph Rubin
*Sheila Schisler
*Bernard Schuster
*Faye Schwenk
*Florence Silverman
*Arthur Howard Sumner
*Sanford Tannenbaum
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*Barbara Wunderlich

Please Contact Us

Please contact us when someone is sick or if there is a death in the family so that the Temple can extend its assistance. Before making any funeral arrangements, please call.

See Temple Directory (next page) for phone numbers.

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