B'nai Tikvoh-Sholom & The Neshama Center for Lifelong Learning March 2024 Adar I/Adar II 5784



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Saturday, March 2nd 7:00-9:00 pm at the Mandell JCC

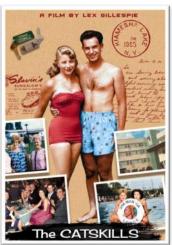




Sunday, March 3rd 1:00-3:00 pm at the MJCC



Thursday, March 7th 7:00-9:00 pm at Cinemark Buckland Hills





The Phyllis Hoffman Film Festival continues in March with four films. To order tickets, go to <u>https://hiff.eventive.org/schedule</u>.

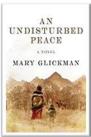
Sunday, March 3rd 3:00-5:00 pm at the MJCC Innovation Center Thursday, March 28th 7:00-9:00 pm at the Manchester Parkade

2004 Sisterhood Book Discussions

The Escape Artist by Helen Fremont Sunday, April 7th at 3:00 pm

Fremont writes with wit and candor about growing up in a household held together by a powerful glue: secrets. Her parents, profoundly affected by their memories of the Holocaust, pass on, to both Helen and her older sister, a penchant for keeping their lives neatly, even obsessively compartmentalized, and a zealous determination to protect themselves from what they see as danger from the outside world.









An Undisturbed Peace by Mary Glickman Sunday, June 9th at 4:00 pm (Summer Time)

Pat Conroy called this book "the finest depiction of the Trail of Tears" that I've ever read." Jewish emigrant recently arrived from London, Abraham Bento Sassaporta Naggar, Dark Waters, the daughter of a Cherokee chief, and Jacob, an escaped slave, all come together in "this absorbing and vivid portrait of 19th century America.

Beyond the Ghetto Gates by Michelle Cameron August, date TBD, at 4:00 pm (Summer Time)

When French troops occupy the Italian port city of Ancona, freeing the city's Jews from their repressive ghetto, it unleashes a whirlwind of progressivism and brutal backlash as two very different cultures collide. *Beyond the Ghetto Gates* is both a cautionary tale for our present moment, with its rising tide of anti-Semitism, and a story of hope—a reminder of a time in history when men and women of conflict-ing faiths were able to reconcile their prejudices in the face of a rapidly changing world.

The House Is On Fire by Rachel Beanland November, date TBD at 3:00 pm

Based on the true story of Richmond's 1811 theater fire, which started when the theater was packed with 600 people holiday revelers, *The House Is on Fire* is a stunning all-consuming exploration that offers proof that sometimes, in the midst of great tragedy, we are offered our most precious—and fleeting—chances at redemption.



The cover photo of emerging narcissi is courtesy of Shari J. Cantor.





This is the Meal Train link for Rabbi Debra Cantor:

https://mealtrain.com/no7147

What is Meal Train?

There are times in our lives when friends and family ask, "What can I do to help out?" The answer is usually to help them with a meal. When many friends provide support through a meal, Meal Train keeps everyone organized.

Details about dates and delivery instructions can be found by visiting the link.

Thank you in advance for your support while Rabbi Cantor takes the time to heal.



Thursday, March 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th at 7:00 pm at the Mandell JCC

The Institute of Jewish Ideas is a community-wide Jewish learning initiative, supported by a community donor through a family fund at the Jewish Community Foundation.

This year's program will explore the evolution of "the Land of Israel" in Jewish thought from the Bible, to the teaching of the Rabbis, the place of the Land in the Jewish imagination in the medieval period, and finally its evolution in religious, cultural, and political terms in the modern period.

Session Schedule

- Mar 7: Dana Fishkin, "The Land of Israel in Medieval Jewish Thought"
- Mar 14: Avinoam Patt, The Land of Israel and Modern Jewish Political Thought"
- Mar 21: Avinoam Patt, "The Land of Israel and Zionist Thought"
- Mar 28: Concluding panel and discussion with course instructors

Hybrid Sessions: The series will be offered in-person at the Mandell JCC and online via Zoom for those who would like to join remotely. Financial assistance is available for those in need. For more information, email Avinoam Patt at <u>avinoam.patt@uconn.edu</u>

Tickets at \$18.00 for the entire session can be purchased https://www.tix.com/ticket-sales/mandelljcc/2172/event/1354556.



Friends of Yiddish

Sunday, March 10th at 10:30 am on Zoom

Friends of Yiddish is an informal, mostly English bilingual drop-in social group which meets to hear a guest speaker or discussion & maybe absorb a Yiddish word or two. For more information, contact Barbara Katzman at 860-666-6751 or <u>barbaralenore@yahoo.com</u>. You only need to register once for Friends of Yiddish online. https://bit.ly/BTS-Friends-of-Yiddish

Tangling with Talmud

Watch the BTS Email Digest for the return of Tangling with Talmud

The Talmud is a rich and lively conversation among many generations. Passionate arguments about law and justice are intertwined with wild stories and musings about the meaning of life. Come participate and add your own voice.

No experience needed. You only need to register once for Tangling With Talmud online. https://bit.ly/BTS_Tangling_With_Talmud

Sisterhood Book Discussion: The Escape Artist by Helen Fremont

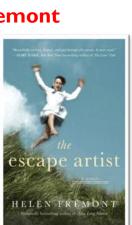
Sunday, April 7th at 3:00 pm

When Helen Fremont and her sister were in their twenties, they discovered that their parents were actually Jewish Holocaust survivors. That discovery and the story of her parent's survival was detailed in the acclaimed *After Long Silence*, published in 1999. In *The Escape Artist*, Fremont delves deeply into the family dynamic that produced such a startling devotion to secret keeping, beginning with the painful and

unexpected discovery that she has been disinherited in her father's will. In scenes that are frank, moving, and often surprisingly funny, She writes about growing up in such an intemperate household, with parents who pretended to be Catholics but were really Jews—and survivors of Nazi-occupied Poland. She shares tales of family therapy sessions, disordered eating, her sister's frequently unhinged meltdowns, and her own romantic misadventures as she tries to sort out her sexual identity. Searching, poignant, and ultimately redemptive,

Join Shari J. Cantor to discuss this "Beautifully written, honest, and psychologically astute" "devastating family portrait of the intergenerational trauma that can torment the children of Holocaust survivors ."

You only need to register once for Sisterhood book discussions online. <u>https://bit.ly/BTS_Sisterhood_Book_Group</u>





Weeknight Minyan

Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm on Zoom

Join us for a brief service to *daven* and say *Kaddish*. Register for Weekly Minyan online. <u>https://bit.ly/BTS_WednesdayMinyan</u>

Shabbat services have returned to the chapel, with a hybrid option for those who prefer to remain at home. Please join us in person or online. We look forward to worshipping with you.

Welcome Shabbat

Fridays at 7:00 pm at BTS

Join us as we make the transition from the workweek into Shabbat. We'll sing some Shabbat melodies, share words of Torah, recite a prayer for healing and Mourner's *Kaddish*, and then make *kiddush*.

Register for Welcome Shabbat Services online. https://bit.ly/BTS Welcome Shabbat

Shabbat Morning Services and Deep Dive

Saturdays at 10:00 am at BTS

We'll celebrate Shabbat with services, Torah reading and a deep dive into the text. Register for Shabbat Morning Services online. <u>https://bit.ly/BTS_ShabbatDeepDive</u>



Purim

Saturday, March 23rd, 6:30 –9:30 pm at Beth El Temple, 2226 Albany Avenue, WH

That's right. This year we're joining members of Beth El Temple for Purim services, food, and fun! What's happening? 6:30-7:15 Se'udah Shleesheet - Festive dinner for all

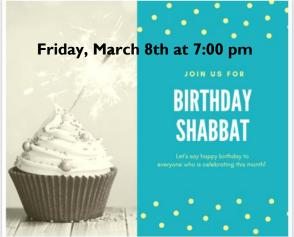
7:15-7:40 Shabbat Mincha

7:40-9:15 Ma'ariv, Havdalah, and Megillah reading

Puon your costumes and join us for a festive reading of the Megillah of Esther, complete with singing, a costume parade, Kahoot! Trivia, and more!

9:15 Hamantaschen and other nosh

Register at https://www.bethelwesthartford.org/event/Purim2024.



Looking for new and different hamantaschen recipes? Click on the links below.



Refuah Sheleymah to:

Ruth Brainin, Rabbi Debra Cantor, Lynn Kaplan-Goldberg, Leon Goldsmith, Barbara Hirsch, Ellen Leonard, Greg Matthaey, Esther Multer, Rabbi Marshal Press, Elayne Ringler, Marty Shinder, Barbara Siskin, Marc Siskin, Marion Warner,

Condolences To:

Yvonne Seidman on the death of husband, Richard Seidman, son of the late Irving and Betty Seidman, on February 16th

Good News

Got good news to share? We want to hear it. To share good news with your friends at BTS, contact Rabbi Debra Cantor at <u>cantordebra@gmail.com</u> or 860-463-0986 or Dale Osborn at <u>daleoz@att.net</u> or 860-508-7261.

Donations as of February 15th

GENERAL FUND

Bob & Phillis Berman, in memory of Barry Goldberg's daughter, Michelle Goldberg-Cyr

Shari J. Cantor, in memory of Barry Goldberg's daughter,

Michelle Goldberg-Cyr

Shari J. Cantor, in memory of Jerry Hirsch's brother, Melvyn Hirsch Miriam B. Chaiklin, in memory of Barry Goldberg's daughter, Michelle Goldberg-Cyr

Karen Freilich, in honor of the yahrzeit of her grandfather, Hyman Blumberg

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Karen Freilich, in memory of her mother, Jennie Freilich

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Margaret Kahn, in honor of the yahrzeit of Julius Jonas

Al Oppenheimer, in honor of the yahrzeit of

Bryan Mitchel Oppenheimer

Elayne Ringler, in memory of Barry Goldberg's daughter, Michelle Goldberg-Cyr

Elayne Ringer, get well wishes and speedy recovery to Barbara Hirsch Elayne Ringler, in memory of Jerry Hirsch's brother, Melvyn Hirsch Mark & Tema Silk, in memory of Barry Goldberg's daughter, Michelle Goldberg-Cyr

Sari Trzepacz & family, in honor of the yahrzeit of Gedeliah Gorban

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Ruth Brainin, in honor of the yahrzeit of Isidore Schwartz Ruth Brainin, in honor of the yahrzeit of Owen Schwartz Shari J. Cantor, wishing refu'ah sheleymah to Rabbi Cantor Shereen Edelson, in appreciation to Rabbi Cantor and BTS for the December birthday blessing Ellen Koch, in honor of the yahrzeit of her brother,

Rabbi Norman Koch

Ellen Koch, in honor of the yahrzeit of her mother, Reta Koch

BUILDING FUND

Barbara Katzman, in memory of Jerry Hirsch's brother, Melvyn Hirsch

EDUCATION FUND

Jonathan Wagner, in honor of the yahrzeit of his mother, Sally Wagner

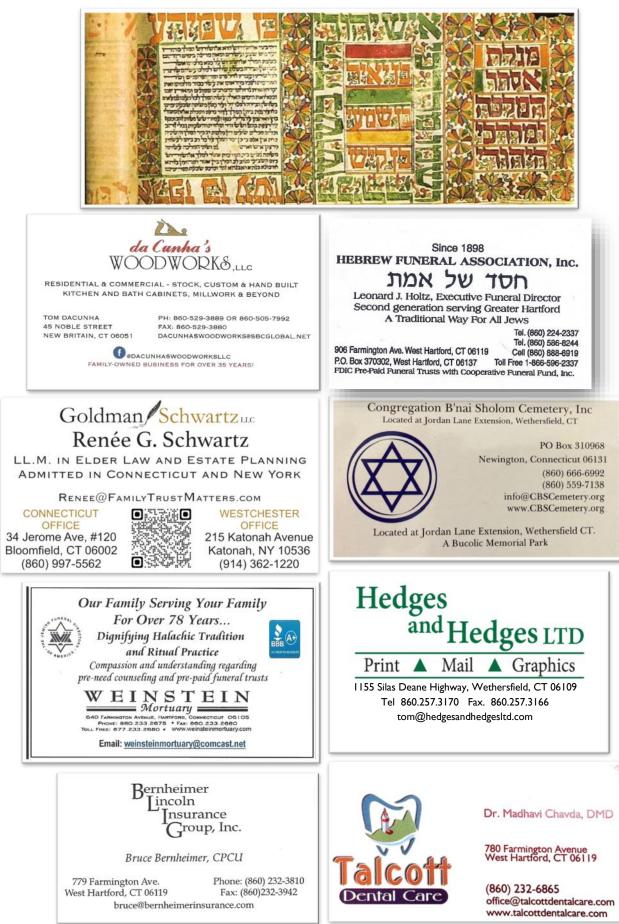
MEIER AND RAHEL KATTEN MEMORIAL FUND

Lois K. Galinsky, in honor of the yahrzeit of Louis Galinsky Andrea Igdalsky, to help fund Lunch & Learn program Carolyn Levine, to help fund Lunch & Learn program Mark & Tema Silk, to help fund Lunch & Learn program Hilary Silver, to help fund Lunch & Learn program



March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 23 Adar I I:00 Vishniac MJCC Innovation Center 3:00 The Catskills MJCC Innovation Center	4 24 Adar I	5 25 Adar I	6 26 Adar I 7:00 Minyan on Zoom	7 27 Adar I 7:00 Aleph 2024 Dana Fishkin: "The Land of Israel in Medieval Jewish Thought" 7:00 <i>One Life</i> Cinemark Buckland Hills	8 28 Adar I 5:32 Candle Lighting 7:00 Welcome Shabbat/ Birthday Shabbat	9 29 Adar I Shabbat Shekalim Vayakhel I 0:00 Shabbat Morning Services & Deep Dive
10 30 Adar I	II I Adar II	12 2 Adar II	13 3 Adar II	14 4 Adar II	15 5 Adar II	l6 6 Adar II
Rosh <u>H</u> odesh Adar II 10:30 Friends of Yiddish on Zoom	Rosh <u>H</u> odesh Adar II 7:00 Board of Director's Meeting		7:00 Minyan on Zoom	7:00 Aleph 2024 Avinoam Patt: "The Land of Israel and Modern Jewish Political Thought"	6:40 Candle Lighting 7:00 Welcome Shabbat	Pekudei 10:00 Shabbat Morning Services & Deep Dive
17 7 Adar II	18 8 Adar II	19 9 Adar II Bulletin Deadline	20 10 Adar II 7:00 Minyan on Zoom	21 II Adar II 5:42 am Fast Begins Ta'anit Esther 7:00 Aleph 2024 Avinoam Patt: "The Land of Israel and Zionist Thought" 7:39pm Fast Ends	22 12 Adar II 6:47 Candle Lighting 7:00 Welcome Shabbat	23 13 Adar II Shabbat Zachor Vayikra 10:00 Shabbat Morning Services & Deep Dive Purim at Beth El 6:30 Se'udah Shleesheet (Meal) 7:15-Shabbat Mincha 7:40 Ma'ariv, Havdalah, and Megillah Reading 9:15 Nosherai
24 14 Adar II Purim	25 I5 Adar II Shushan Purim	26 6 Adar II	27 17 Adar II 7:00 Minyan on Zoom	28 18 Adar II 7:00 Aleph 2024 Concluding panel and discussion with course instructors 7:00 <i>The Catskills</i> Manchester Parkade	29 19 Adar II 6:55 Candle Lighting 7:00 Welcome Shabbat	30 20 Adar II Shabbat Parah 10:00 Shabbat Morning Services & Deep Dive
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To further enhance the beauty of the synagogue	To fund Lifelong Learning						
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telephone or in person. Feel free to contact her.	To provide gifts to bar and bat mitzvah students						
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	To maintain integrity of the Torahs						
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