November/December 2025

# TEMPLE B'NAI JESHURUN

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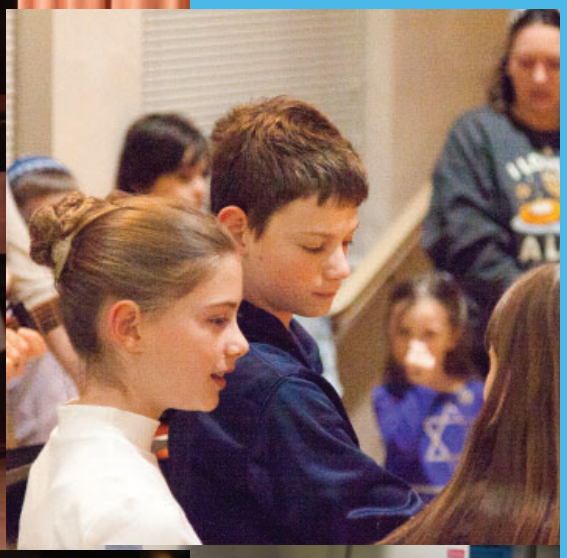

# Worship Schedule

**Currently, Friday evening and Saturday morning services are in person and live streamed on our website, www.tbjdsm.org. Saturday Morning Torah Study is in person and via Zoom. Emails are sent weekly with streaming links and any updates to the schedule. Contacty us if you are not current receiveing Temple emails, office@tbjdsm.org.**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1**
9:30 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7**
6:00 p.m. Family Shabbat Service
7:00 p.m. Family Shabbat Dinner

**SATURDAY, NOVEMER 8**
9:00 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:00 a.m. Will Follett Bar Mitzvah

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14**
6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15**
9:30 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Sevice
5:00 p.m. Havdalah Service & Baby Naming for Dubin Twins

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21**
6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22**
9:30 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27**
**Thanksgiving-Temple Office Closed**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28**
**Thanksgiving-Temple Office Closed**
6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29**
9:30 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5**
6:00 p.m. New Member Appreciation Service
7:00 p.m. Shabbat Dinner

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6**
9:30 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12**
6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13**
9:30 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19**
6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20**
9:30 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
5:00 p.m. Havdalah/Hanukkah Party

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25**
**Christmas Day-Temple Office Closed**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26**
6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27**
9:30 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

# Upcoming Worship Events

If you know you are coming to any of our upcoming worship events, we appreciate you letting us know. This is not an RSVP, but to help us get a better sense of how many people to expect so we can make enough food without having too much.

If you haven't decided yet, you can absolutely still come, even at the last minute! Links are below or you can call or email our office.

| Family Shabbat | New Member Appreciation Shabbat Service/Dinner | Havdalah & Hanukkah |
|---|---|---|
| November 7, 2025 | December 5, 2025 | December 20, 2025 |

# President's Message

Dear Temple Members,

L'Shanah Tovah! It was a pleasure to reconnect with familiar members, welcome new faces and new members, and participate in the traditions and events that define our Temple community throughout our Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, and Simchat Torah services and celebrations. As this period of reflection and renewal concludes, I want to extend my gratitude for everyone's dedication and ongoing support of our wonderful Temple community.

Community— Kehillah in Hebrew— continues to be an important aspect of our tradition. Our Torah portion, Nitzavim, describes Moses addressing the Israelites to renew their covenant with God, highlighting the significance of faith, collective responsibility, and commitment within the Jewish community. I believe our Temple community embodies this covenant through facilitating opportunities for Jewish learning and spiritual growth, supporting members during life cycle events, and prioritizing the sustainability of the congregation for future generations, the latter of which, I believe, should be the central focus of Temple leadership. As president of our Temple's board since July, my past few months have been spent in many meetings (many meetings) learning about and discussing our budgeting and accounting practices, our endowment, our administrative operations, and our member engagement, with a focus on strategic planning, and I want to provide you all with an overview of recent developments and initiatives undertaken by our Temple leadership over the past several months.

This past year, we experienced impactful staffing changes when David Muenchrath resigned as Executive Director after 13 years, and Wendy Beckerman retired as our B'nai Mitzvah Coordinator after more than 38 years. The transition following David's and Wendy's departures led Erin Plank (our Director of Administration), Charles Stanton (our Director of Maintenance and Facilities), and Shaynna Grund (our new Director of Programming and Communications) to take on new and expanded responsibilities this past summer. Their efforts have been supported by ongoing meetings and continued collaboration with Rabbi Neal, me, Brad Goldman (our board's treasurer) and many of our board members.

During this period of transition, our Temple team has prioritized several of the following projects t o support our ongoing operations and the future growth of our Temple community, reflecting our commitment to enhancing our overall administrative efficiency, security, and community engagement.

- **Accounting and Budgeting Enhancements.** Brad has facilitated a comprehensive review of our accounting and budgeting practices which has identified opportunities for increased efficiency and accuracy.
- **Software and Payroll System Updates.** Brad has led initiatives to update our Temple software and payroll systems which will be rolled out over the next several months to improve our overall administrative operations. Our new cloud-based software system is called EasyShul which, among other features, will allow our members to manage their own accounts, pay dues and make donations, sign up for Temple events and Yahrzeit reminders, and receive additional Temple communications.
- **Building Updates and Maintenance.** Thanks to Rabbi Neal, Shaynna, and Charles, our Old Chapel (on the northside of our sanctuary) has been repurposed as a warm and inviting space for families who may need a space for their children during services or a gathering place for families preparing for weddings and funerals. In addition, our roofing systems need major repair. Patchwork fixes have been made over the years, but Charles reports that four roofing companies have inspected the roof, and all companies concluded that it is well past the time to replace all our roofing systems. As

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# President's Message (continued)

you may know, we've been experiencing significant leaks throughout the building after severe weather events over the past several years. The replacement of our building's roofing system is essential to the safety and integrity of our building. Please note that our roof replacement project is scheduled to begin in the last week of October.

- **Building Security.** Ken Scarlette, a veteran law enforcement officer from Illinois, is our Jewish community's new Regional Security Advisor with the Iowa-Illinois Secure Community Network (SCN). For those unfamiliar with the SCN, it was established in 2004 as the designated security organization for the North American Jewish Community and serves as the official liaison between the Jewish community and federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies. Ken and his team conducted a comprehensive threat, vulnerability, and risk assessment of our Temple facility this past summer. SCN is currently evaluating our existing security policies and infrastructure, and we are awaiting their report with recommendations on any necessary updates to ensure the continued safety and well-being of our community.
- **Caring Community**. Wendy Beckerman, our new Caring Committee Vision Leader on the board, now holds a title that reflects her longstanding dedication to her ongoing acts of chesed within our community. Her many contributions include visiting ill members, providing transportation to medical appointments, supplying meals, and she is building a community of volunteers to help her. Most recently, she worked in collaboration with our Federation and Tifereth to organize and participate in Rosh Hashanah food deliveries for seniors and homebound members of our Jewish community.
- **Membership.** Wendi Harris, our Membership Vision Leader, reports that our membership numbers continue to increase over the past three years, and she is working with Shaynna to plan welcoming events aimed at fostering increased engagement among our new members.
- **Fundraising.** Edye Beckerman, our Fundraising Vision Leader, will be launching a comprehensive fundraising campaign designed to support our Temple's vision and ensure its long-term sustainability. This initiative not only addresses our ongoing financial needs but also invites every member of our community to be involved—whether through volunteering, attending events, or making financial contributions.

We have set ambitious goals for our Temple: upgrading the building for safety, implementing new software to improve our operations and engagement, strengthening our financial practices, and fostering our Temple and community connections. As always, we are committed to transparency, accountability, and ongoing improvements. But we can't do any of this without you. We need your support, your time, your skills, and your financial contributions. As we continue to grow, let's keep building on the strong foundation we've set honoring what makes our Temple community special. I believe that our shared promise—our covenant—really brings us together us as we celebrate our Jewish values, support each other, and uphold and honor our traditions.

On behalf of myself, my husband Joel, my growing family, and our Temple Board, I wish you all a Happy and Healthy 5786 that brings you new beginnings, new blessings, and a deeper sense of connection to our Temple community.

Rachele Braverman Hjelmaas
president@tbjdsm.org

# B'nai Mitzvah

Will Follett, son of Dana Follett, will be called to the Torah as Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, November 8, 2025, at 10:00 am. Will is a 7th grader at North Middle School who loves all things sports, especially football and basketball. In his free time he enjoys riding his bike, spending time with friends and family, and playing with his dogs, Dash and Moose.

## Welcome to Our New Members

Ed & Mindy Bell
Sharon Estaver
Dana Follett & Peter Cartwright
Dan & Robin Lewis
Lisa Pusin & Ryan Sweeney
Nancy Waldman

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shalom
welcome

## Happy Anniversary

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| Thomas Press & Donna Paulsen | November 2 | William Jacobs & Gail Klearman | December 23 |
| Jeffrey & Elena Greeberg | November 7 | Jerry & Gloria Leventhal | December 25 |
| Nancy S. & Richard Chavannes | November 8 | Scott & Gail Stricker | December 27 |
| Jake & Holly Shkolnick | November 14 | Adam & Rachel Andrews | December 28 |
| Ira & Susan Naiditch | December 3 | Brian & Evelyn Feingold | December 29 |
| Stuart Oxer & Wendi Harris | December 11 | Alan & Vivian Givant | December 29 |
| Herbert & Katherine Eckhouse | December 17 | Aaron & Laura Schwartz | December 30 |
| | | Dennis & Sharon Goldford | December 31 |

# Thank you, you are appreciated!

Sincere thanks to those who have supported us with donations of time, resources, and other non-monetary contributions during September & October. Your generosity means the world!

Aaron Naiditch
Abe Goldstien
Alan & Wendy Adato
Alicia Loeb
Ann Balentine
Bill Grund
Brad Goldman
Chuck Kuba
Cliff Reddish
Daryl Anderson
David Swartz
Dick Kirsner
Don & Tori Godfree
Ed Loeb
Emily Kruse
Gil Coosner
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Helene Fein
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Jody Kolmen
Judy & Larry Deutch
Laura Belin
Linda Cohen
Lyanna Lindgren
Max Berger
Nathan Coosner
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Joel Hjelmaas
Rebecca Shaffer
Ryba Epstein
Sally Frank
Sam Miller
Sara Coleman
Sondra Feldstein
Stacie Franklin
Steve Newman
Tara Starr
Tyler Atkinson
Van Heukelem Family
Wendi Harris & Stuart Oxer
Wendy & Edye Beckerman

If there is anyone that was forgotten, our apologies, please know that you **ARE** appreciated!

# Send us your Simchas

Evie Fisher, daughter of Shaynna Grund, earned the Scouting America Macabee Emblem. This emblem can only be earned by Jewish Scouts and is more than just an achievement- it represents the dedication and effort Evie put in to learn more about Judaism, its values, and traditions.

**Are you celebrating something you would like to share? Whether you or someone in your family has had a life event, made an accomplishment, or want to celebrate with others, email programming@tbjdsm.org!**

## The Tree of Life

You can also share your simchas year round by purchasing a Leaf ($150.00) or a Stone ($1,000.00) for our Etz Chaim (Tree of Life). Please contact Erin (office@tbjdsm.org) to add your milestone.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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| Peggy Sue Dubansky | November 3 |
| Steve Adelman | November 4 |
| Joyce Swartz | November 4 |
| Geoffrey Abelson | November 7 |
| Deana Lerner | November 7 |
| Ryan Mann | November 7 |
| Lisa Copple | November 9 |
| Timothy Guy | November 9 |
| Carrie Remer | November 9 |
| Colin Whittie | November 9 |
| Nancy S. Chavannes | November 11 |
| George Sparks | November 12 |
| Edye Beckerman | November 13 |
| Louis Balentine | November 14 |
| Lynn Kuba | November 14 |
| Margaret Weiner | November 14 |
| Tamarah Yentis | November 14 |
| Dennis Goldford | November 15 |
| Miriam Levitt | November 15 |
| Gary Roseman | November 16 |
| Andrew Jay Galinsky | November 17 |
| Jeremy Pins | November 17 |
| Bertie Waltman | November 17 |
| Benjamin C. Swartz | November 19 |
| Raynae Marie Kitsis | November 21 |
| Shayna Steinger | November 25 |
| Wendy Wall | November 25 |
| Steven H. Shindler | November 26 |
| Randi Stern | November 27 |
| Rachel Dehner | November 28 |
| Andrea Silverstein | November 28 |
| Vivian Givant | November 30 |
| Steven Wilke-Shapiro | December 1 |
| Wendy Adato | December 2 |
| Edward Loeb | December 2 |
| Karen Rubin | December 2 |
| Michael Davis | December 3 |
| Kathy Bassman | December 4 |
| Anne Scherer | December 4 |
| Rachele Hjelmaas | December 5 |
| Alexis Manassa | December 6 |
| Joshua Masters | December 6 |
| Lorrie Jagiello | December 7 |
| Mark Davis | December 11 |
| David S. Hurkin | December 13 |
| Jaime Gallick | December 14 |
| Herbert Remer | December 15 |
| Haley Larson | December 16 |
| Laura Schwartz | December 18 |
| Mindy Nussbaum-Bell | December 19 |
| Lester Kavan | December 20 |
| Mary Kay Kirsner | December 20 |
| Terry Baker | December 21 |
| Claudia Siegel | December 21 |
| Jessie Bougher | December 25 |
| Robert Pomerantz | December 25 |
| Barbara Bobb | December 27 |
| Tara L. Kramer | December 28 |
| Katherine Meeker Mandelbaum | December 28 |
| Carrie Schoenebaum | December 28 |
| Katy Muelhaupt | December 30 |
| Arnie Waltman | December 31 |

# Calendar of Monthly Events

Temple B'nai Jeshurun
Sisterhood

**November**

4: Sisterhood Meeting 6:30 p.m. via Zoom
10: Breakfast Club 9:30 a.m.
IHOP in West Des Moines
17: Temple Book Club 6:30 p.m. via Zoom
20: WE DO Lunch 12:00 p.m.
Waterfront Seafood Market
2900 University Ave, West Des Moines
23: TBJ Vendor & Craft Fair

**December**

1: Hanukkah Gift Shop opens for Holiday Shopping
8: Breakfast Club 9:30 a.m.
IHOP in West Des Moines
18: WE DO Lunch 12:00 p.m.
Ruby Tuesday
4900 86th St, Urbandale
20: Hanukkah Happening

**** THURSDAYS ARE FOR CRAFTS & SCHMOOZE! ****

Every Thursday at TBJ 10:00 a.m.

**BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS!**

The Temple Book Club meets at 6:30 p.m. either via Zoom or in person. Links are sent out closer to each date; the book selection for **November 17** is **Turbulent Souls by Stephen J. Dubner**. For notifications and Zoom link, contact Ryba Epstein at epsteinryba@gmail.com.

Joanne Brown's Short Story Book Club meets monthly at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays at the Temple. For more information, contact Judy Deutch at jmdeu@yahoo.com. The next meeting times are November 9 and December 14.

# Come for the Cause. Stay for the Community.
## Volunteer at TBJ

TBJ is entering a new chapter, and we need your help keep our energy going. Now is the perfect time to be part of something amazing. No matter what your schedule, skills, or interests – there's a place for you at TBJ!

- Youth Events & Activities
- Programming & Special Events
- Service Greeters
- Archives & Library
- Holiday Preparations

Want to help but aren't sure how? Just tell us what you love to do — we'll match you with the perfect role. Let's create something beautiful together. Contact Shaynna at programming@tbjdsm.org or check out our other opportunities.

## ZERA – Planting Seeds of Goodness

Something beautiful is beginning to bloom at our Temple—and you're invited to be part of it!

Introducing ZERA (זֶרַע), Hebrew for "seed"—a vibrant new volunteer social action committee rooted in Jewish values and inspired by Rabbi Neal's powerful Yom Kippur sermon. ZERA is all about planting seeds of goodness, justice, and compassion in our community, and watching them grow into real, lasting change. Driven by the sacred call of Tikkun Olam—repairing the world—ZERA will unite Temple members of all ages in a shared mission: to build a more equitable, caring society through mutual aid, solidarity, and small but mighty acts of kindness.

What's Happening?

Each month, ZERA will gather to "collect seeds"—ideas, projects, and outreach opportunities that reflect our values and respond to real needs. Whether it's organizing a food drive, supporting those in crisis, or partnering with local organizations, every action we take will be a seed planted with purpose.

Why ZERA?

Because real change grows from the ground up. We're not just helping, we're connecting, collaborating, and standing in solidarity with our neighbors. ZERA is about dignity, compassion, and respect, and the belief that even the smallest act can blossom into something extraordinary.

So come plant with us. Dream with us. Build with us.
Together, we'll cultivate a kinder, more just world—one seed at a time.

Please reach out to Daryl Anderson with questions darylraea627@gmail.com

## Caring Committee-the Heartbeat of TBJ

Led by our beloved TBJ treasure, Wendy Beckerman, the Caring Committee is where compassion meets action. This incredible team is making real, meaningful connections — visiting the sick and elderly, offering rides to appointments, checking in with members by phone, and preparing comforting meals during times of need. Whether you have a few hours or a big heart to share, your kindness can make a world of difference.

Contact Wendy at tropemaven@yahoo.com and become part of the good in the world.

# HELP US WELCOME SHABBAT WITH A SMILE!

It's easy, it's meaningful, and best of all — it's a mitzvah!

Being a greeter is a beautiful way to help others feel at home as we come together to welcome Shabbat. Whether you're a new member looking to connect or a longtime member who loves seeing familiar faces, we'd love to have you join our greeter crew!

You'll be "paid" in endless Shabbat Shalom's, warm smiles, and the joy of making someone's evening just by being YOU. Ready to spread Shabbat joy? Let us know — we're saving a spot for you!

Reach out to Shaynna at programming@tbjdsm.org.

# Upcoming Events

TBJ Maccabee Market returns!

November 23, 2025

1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Drop in, schmooze, and find deLIGHTful gifts

•Home Decor • Gifts • Judaica Puzzles •
• Cooking Demonstration •
• Sisterhood Giftshop •

This is a private event, only be open to the DSM Jewish Community and their family & friends.

Booths are $18, please reach out to Shaynna at programming@tbjdsm.org if you are interested.

# New Member Appreciation Shabbat

DECEMBER

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EREV SHABBAT SERVICES AT 6
FOLLOWED BY DINNER

*This is a chance to relax, connect, and enjoy the spirit of Shabbat together.*

Please let us know if you can join us by Tuesday, December 2 by calling 515-274-4679 or emailing programming@tbjdsm.org.

## DETAILS TO FOLLOW

# SIMMA AND MICHAEL STEIN
## DES MOINES JEWISH FILM SERIES

STEINDMJFS.ORG

**FEATURE FILMS** — **Mark your calendars for our exciting lineup!**

**Sun Nov 9**

**Heading Home: The Tale of Team Israel**
2:00 PM - *Doors Open at 1:30 PM*
Temple B'nai Jeshurun

**Thurs Nov 20**

**Woman in Gold**
10:00 AM - *Doors Open at 9:30 AM*
The Fleur Cinema and Cafe

**Sat Dec 6**

**Welcome to Yiddishland**
Following Havdalah Services
Tifereth Israel Synagogue

For complimentary tickets, scan the QR code or visit steindmjfs.org
*Event Times Subject to Change*

# WOMEN'S WORK WEEKEND 2026

## May 14-17 at Goldman Union Camp Institue

In partnership with the Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ) Heartland District, camp moms, grandmothers, camper and staff alumni and all friends of GUCI gather for a weekend of fun, meaningful work to help prepare camp for summer.

We do incredibly valued projects such as preparing our garden for the summer, painting and organizing around camp and getting our camp looking beautiful!

While we work hard, we also play hard and partake in a beautiful weekend with delicious food and drinks, Shabbat, music and a special Saturday night social activity!

### WEEKEND DETAILS

- Camp-style Shabbat and Havdalah.
- Rewarding and meaningful work to prepare camp for the summer.
- Saturday evening of food, friends, fun activities and more.
- Fee is $18 (covers all meals, drinks, special dinner, room and linens, Saturday evening activity and more).

### WHAT TO EXPECT

- Together we'll paint, clean, organize, plant and more to prepare GUCI for another amazing summer!
- Participants should be in good health, all skill levels are welcome!
- Roll up your sleeves and get ready for a weekend of giving back and connection.
- You are welcome to come stay on camp Thursday evening if you'd like.

GOLDMAN UNION CAMP INSTITUTE
A URJ CAMP
GUCI

Please reach out to Jody Kolmen if interested-panicst4c@me.com

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# High Holidays 2025

## Additional photos will be uploaded to the website

# We Acknowledge These Contributions with Appreciation

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***Sharon & Dennis Goldford

IN MEMORY OF SAMUEL BOBB
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IN MEMORY OF LISA COPPLE
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***Anne Scherer

IN MEMORY OF STEVEN SCHERER
***Anne Scherer

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IN MEMORY OF LISA COPPLE
***From her dear friends, ladies of class of '85
***Edye Beckerman
***Wendy Beckerman
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***Jeanne Duffy
***Erica Hacker
***Jill Hartquist
***Katie Kim-Wilson
***Miles & Marjorie Luchtenburg
***Lynn Marasco
***Wendy McGinnis
***Julie Methlie
***Corinne Seiser
***Cindy Smith
***Gail & Steven Ritzwoller
***Carole Stavinga

**IN MEMORY OF LOIS COPPLE**
***Vincent & Kenton Copple Families
IN MEMORY OF MELVIN & SALLY KLEARMAN
***Gail Klearman & Jake Jacobs

IN MEMORY OF ARLENE SCHUSTER
***Louis & Ann Balentine

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IN MEMORY OF DR. HERMAN I. FRANK, MARGOT FAIVUSH, & ROSE BELINKOFF
***Sally Frank

# Yahrzeit Observances

**The following names will be read on Friday, October 31 and Saturday, November 1:**
Milton Mark
Ephraim Mogolov
Madelyn Gottlieb
Jack Levine
William A. Moskowitz
Howard A. Brody
Vicki Masters
Morris Mandelbaum Jr.
Louis Davidson
Sara Elmets
Mario Borchowsky
Leo Benjamin Conley
Harry Pierce
Alice Rosch
Robert M. Eckhouse
Seymour Feinstein
Louis London
Alice Rosch

**The following names will be read on Friday, November 7 and Saturday, November 8:**
Helen Ellis
Albert Silverman
Zachary Smith
Martha Glayston
Fritz Jacoby
Arnold R. Nides
Seymour Shlaes
Irl Brossman
Renee Plotkin Handleman
Donald Lipman
Jack Stamp
Sylvain M. Block
Lena F. Brody
Katherine J. Cunningham
Ann Parks
Edward Robinson
Pauline Solomon
Peter Joseph Spoden
Leo Lorber
Libby Druker
Eleanor M. Friedman
Arnold M. Goldman
Annis Gross
Madelyn Levitt
Peggy Johns
Ida Kiv
Donald Masters
Rhoda Neufeld
Brady Pratt
Howard Rutman
A. Joseph Schwied
Celia Weinstock

**The following names will be read on Friday, November 14 and Saturday, November 15:**
Dorothy Bloxam
Percy Corran
Joseph Davidson
Harry A. Friedman
Susan Herman
Bernard Mercer
Moritz Riegelman
Doloris Rosenberg
Maurice Eckstat
Adelaide Krum
Sydney H Gurian MD
Reecie Levin-Becker
Berenice Moss
Marvin Cohen
Claude Gruen
Robert Powell
Benjamin Stern
Addis Duplessis
Natalie Harvey
Morris Joseph
Simon Kahn
Estelle Rosenblum
Becky Cook
Jacob S. Grossman
Shirley R. Numeroff
Hilda Pearlman
Raymond Rosenberg

**The following names will be read on Friday, November 21 and Saturday, November 22:**
Harry Brody
Arnold M. Gordon
Edwin Sherman
Joseph I. Weiner
Martin Cotlar
Oscar Fischer
Yale Kramer
Irving Shanbrom
Lillian Barsky
Louis Canar
Daniel Carlin
Orville “Gene” Heck
Dora Kelner
Ralph Kessel
Al Lerner
Edith Robinson
Ethel Siegel
Cornelia Madelon Ball
Louis Bucksbaum
Frances W. Cohen
Phyllis Fingerman
Martha Kipnis
Sidney Mandelbaum
Isabel Baron Davis
Jack Freedman
Barbara M. Kolmen
Katherine Osherow
Max Wittenstein
Lucille London

**The following names will be read on Friday, November 28 and Saturday, November 29:**
Agnes Alcorn
Abraham L. Seidler
Donald R. Silverman
Matthew Bucksbaum
Julius Epstein
Harold Goldman
Herman Krause
Harry Miller
Ross Daniels
Pearl A. Jacobs
Shirley Yentis
Norton Chayet
Fritz Herzog
Marilisa Cohen
Stanton A. Coleman
A. Arthur Davis
Edward Masters
Marjorie Zerin

**The following names will be read on Friday, December 5 and Saturday, December 6**
Steven Frederick
Bernard Kohn
Mabel Pomerantz
Ron Clayman
Hurvey Haskins, Jr.
Jeanette Rosen
Sam Abramson
Esther Josephson
Isidor Karp
Serna Lerner
Pandora Schrader
Stella Hiller
Michael Kohn
Sutton Loy Reese
Marjorie Sheuerman Kahn
Lillian Margolin
Elizar Pinchas Musin
Clair Patterson

Henry Schein
Harriet G. Zagel
Sophia Moohr Adler
Harry Cohen
Elaine Davidson
Morris O. Kahn
Manassa A. Sheuerman
Louis Wolf

**The following names will be read on Friday, December 12 and Saturday, December 13**
Deena Davidson Friedman
Max M. Friedman
Lester G. Gitchell
Mary Kay Schuler
Jonathan D. Cohen
Dr. Solomon Greenhill
J Carrell Heller
Jerry Karbeling
Bill Z. Luftman
Claire B. Frank
Allen Katz
Fred Lorber
Lois Irene Renter
Julius Samish
Barnet Cohen
Henry Corn
Sara Mosler
Chaim Ziffren
Edward I. Frankel
Anne Glauberg
Lillie Harris
Martin "Marty" Robinson
Jan Sudak
Sydney Tabach
Leonard Goldenson
Ines Klein
Max B. Loeb
Alex Pomerantz
Samuel Schein
Surella Corran
John Joseph
Shire Kipnis
Isadore S. Lipsey
Bernard Pearlman

**The following names will be read on Friday, December 19 and Saturday, December 20:**
Paul Prince
Sylvia Bergman
Nancy Caplan
Lucille Druker
Viola Leventhal
George Morgenstern
Lucille Robinson
Etya Rosenblum
Arianne Shrago
Joan Walsh
Sidney Myer Zeff
Joan Ginsberg
Bess Haase
Robert Stanley Mochel
Sara Werblosky
Gerald L. Conley
Bernard Cowen
John Lewis Jacobs
Patricia Stuart
Jodi Lynn Wittenstein
Elaine Brooks
Paul From
Robert Gitchell
Betty Jacobson
Dorothy J. Kikoler
Elmer Cohen
Alta Epstein
George Jagiello
Rebecca Robinson

**The following names will be read on Friday, December 26 and Saturday, December 27:**
Florence Zaiman Binder
Paula Katzmann
James B. Oppenheimer
Theresa Taylor
Margit Wilson
Esther Frank
Jason Boyd Smith
William Toran
Ruth Barkley
Besse Gottstein
Estelle W. Mandelbaum
Max Rosenberg
Arlene Scheir
Sidney Smuleson
Yetta Toubes
Ronnie Wolf
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Susan M. Wayne
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Meyer Brody
Mark Finkelstein
Stanley Hiersteiner
Ann Kneeter
Benjamin Shedle
Steven N. Blank
Minnie G. Gordon
Heymen B. Kahn
Jacob H. Ladin
Elaine Robinson
Myron Rosenberg
Philip Rubin
Lillian Smith
Stefany Weinberger
Paula Weiss
Ruth Brenner
Colleen Cohen
Mandel Feingold
James Fink
Janet Grossman
Aubrey Perrin
Rose Goldenson Stein
Rose Wieder

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Lisa Copple • October 11, 2025
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# NOVEMBER 2025 | CHESHVAN/KISLEV 5786

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | **1**<br>9:30am Traditional Torah Study<br>10:30am Shabbat Morning Service |
| **2** | **3** | **4**<br>5:30pm Worship Committee<br>6:30pm Sisterhood Board Mtg | **5** | **6**<br>10:00am Sisterhood Schmooze & Craft | **7**<br>6:00pm Family Shabbat Service<br>7:00pm Family Shabbat Dinner | **8**<br>9:00am Traditional Torah Study<br>10:00am Will Follett Bar Mitzvah |
| **9**<br>1:00pm Stein Film Series | **10**<br>9:30am Sisterhood Breakfast at IHOP | **11**<br>5:00pm TBJ Board Meeting | **12** | **13**<br>10:00am Sisterhood Schmooze & Craft | **14**<br>6:00pm Erev Shabbat Services | **15**<br>9:30am Traditional Torah Study<br>10:30am Shabbat Morning Service |
| **16** | **17** | **18** | **19** | **20**<br>10:00am Sisterhood Schmooze & Craft<br>10:00am Stein Film Series<br>12:00pm WE DO Lunch | **21**<br>6:00pm Erev Shabbat Services | **22**<br>9:30am Traditional Torah Study<br>10:30am Shabbat Morning Service<br>5:00pm Havdalah/ Dubin Baby Naming |
| **23**<br>1:00pm Hanukkah Vendor Fair | **24** | **25** | **26** | **27**<br>Thanksgiving - TBJ Office Closed | **28**<br>6:00pm Erev Shabbat Services | **29**<br>9:30am Traditional Torah Study<br>10:30am Shabbat Morning Service |
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# DECEMBER 2025 | KISLEV 5786

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **1** | **2**<br>5:30pm Worship Committee<br>6:30pm Sisterhood Bd Mtg | **3** | **4**<br>10:00am Sisterhood Schmooze & Craft | **5**<br>6:00pm New Member Welcome Shabbat<br>7:00pm Shabbat Dinner | **6**<br>9:30am Traditional Torah Study<br>10:30am Shabbat Morning Service<br>6:00pm Stein Film Series |
| **7** | **8**<br>9:30am Sisterhood Breakfast at IHOP | **9**<br>5:00pm TBJ Board Meeting | **10** | **11**<br>10:00am Sisterhood Schmooze & Craft | **12**<br>6:00pm Erev Shabbat Services | **13**<br>9:00am Traditional Torah Study<br>10:30am Shabbat Morning Service |
| **14**<br>Hanukkah begins at Sundown<br>1:00pm Stein Film Series | **15**<br>Hanukkah | **16** | **17** | **18**<br>10:00am Sisterhood Schmooze & Craft | **19**<br>6:00pm Erev Shabbat Services | **20**<br>9:30am Traditional Torah Study<br>10:30am Shabbat Morning Service<br>5:30pm Hanukkah & Havdalah |
| **21**<br>Hanukkah | **22** | **23** | **24** | **25**<br>12:00pm Movie & Chinese Lunch @ TBJ | **26**<br>6:00pm Erev Shabbat Services | **27**<br>9:30am Traditional Torah Study<br>10:30am Shabbat Morning Service |
| **28** | **29** | **30** | **31**<br>10:00am Sisterhood Schmooze & Craft | | | |

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