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158 Years of Consecrated Service to God, Torah & Israel

A Congregation Affiliated with the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

HAVDALAH "Have Fun" Night!

Games • Dinner • Fun

Join us for an evening of fun games,
delicious Italian dinner, and drinks,
after a meaningful Havdalah service.

Saturday evening, February 22, 2025
at 6:45 pm

We will begin the evening with a family Havdalah at 6:45 PM after which we will eat and greet in the social hall.

What's your game? Mahj?
Poker? Scrabble? Rummy Cube?
You'll find that and lots more.

**Introducing A.I. Trivia
led by Howard Moskowitz**

Bring your friends & family!

**\$15 per adult for dinner
and a FUN evening!**

*Please RSVP to the office
or kbrody@cbitoledo.org
by February 14, 2025.*

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Dancing in the Dark

This January 27th marked the 80th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz, a 'hell on earth' where both my parents were interred amongst other concentration camps and the Warsaw Ghetto.

I read with great interest of a related event - the Shoah Foundation's Ambassador to Humanity 30th anniversary dinner, which took place on October 13th, 2024, at the University of Southern California in LA where the Foundation is housed. The Shoah Foundation was founded by Steven Spielberg after the great success of his powerful Academy Award-winning movie, *Schindler's List*, when he allocated proceeds from the movie to record testimony of Holocaust survivors around the world.

Amongst the many survivors interviewed was my late mother. My father was deceased by then. I fondly recall my mother's description of the interview. When they phoned her to arrange an appointment, they told her to allocate a couple of hours, in the morning. So she set aside 10 AM – 12 PM. So captivated were they by Mom's vivid recollection and ability to express her testimony in impeccable language, that they ended up spending the entire day with her. She insisted on preparing delicious lunch and dinner meals for them, instead of them stepping out, so appreciative was she of the holy work they were doing on behalf of Spielberg's (then) newly formed Foundation. They did not depart till way after dinner, by which time they had completed eight full length videos of her testimony!

Current events in Israel and anti-Semitism all over the world, particularly unchecked on social media and on American campuses, make any Shoah related commemorations particularly cogent at this time. The lessons of the Shoah are ever-present for us as Jews, as Americans, and simply as human beings.

At Spielberg's event were over 60 survivors and many celebrities including Meryl Streep, Debra Messing, Drew Barrymore, Whoopi Goldberg, Matthew Modine, and many others. Also present were survivors of the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda, descendants of the Armenian Genocide of 1915-1917, a Cambodian genocide survivor (1975-1979), families of the Israeli hostages, and victims of contemporary anti-Semitism. Spielberg, in his remarks, called the work of his Foundation "the most life-affirming work" of his professional career. A central initiative of the Foundation is the Countering Anti-Semitism Laboratory, which promotes collaboration among scholars, journalists, and policy makers to effectively counter this disease in all of its evolving forms.

In line with my article in last month's bulletin on the power of music, I am gratified to report that a highlight of the Foundation's event was the music. Itzhak Perlman played the theme from *Schindler's List*, and one of the world's greatest stars, Bruce Springsteen, also entertained. The sheer presence of so many survivors and celebrities made for a powerful statement at a time so sorely needed.

Two songs performed by Springsteen speak loudly – *The Ghost of Tom Joad*, and *Dancing in the Dark*. The first song features religious and social justice imagery, including lyrics like, "He pulls a prayer book out of his sleepin' bag," "Got a one-way ticket to the promised land," and "Where there's a fight against the blood and hatred in the air, look for me, Mom, I'll be there!"

The latter song, *Dancing in the Dark*, from Bruce's most popular album *Born In The USA*, was a carefully chosen message from Bruce to us, that although we are living in dark times, we should not give up hope, and we still have to dance, "even if we're just dancing in the dark!"

As I have often quoted my late grandmother, Pearl (Rotman) Teitelbaum, telling my late mother as they exited a performance of the operetta *Peer Gynt* in the Warsaw Ghetto, "**As long as we Jews are still making music, they will never be able to destroy us!**" Pearl was murdered at Treblinka Concentration Camp in 1942.

Hazzan Ivor Lichterman



Rabbi Seach - Update

I hope your secular new year is off to a good start. Right now, it is 18 degrees outside, but rest assured, spring is on the way. I would like to take this opportunity for a brief update on our search for a Rabbi for CBI. I am happy to say that as of today, we have received six resumes and expect more before the annual placement cycle ends in April. Given our fears that a small-ish congregation without a day school would attract no applicants, this is thrilling. The candidates are a diverse group including new seminary graduates, experienced rabbis, at least one woman, and at least one engineer. A recurring theme in their cover letters is the attractiveness of our central Midwest location near family and cities with large Jewish communities. Several are familiar with the history and vitality of our community. The committee has conducted preliminary telephone interviews with all the applicants and is preparing for the next phase of in depth interviews, followed, hopefully, with at least one invitation to spend Shabbat with us. Our search is off to an encouraging start, but this is a long process. More information will be shared as we continue to learn about our candidates. When prospective candidates come to visit, we will be scheduling events so that everyone at B'nai Israel can meet and get to know them. We are excited about the future.

Mike Tamor, CBI President

Women of CBI Honor Roll 2024-2025 (12/16/24 - 1/16/25)

Special thanks to the women listed below who financially support the Women of CBI, allowing for innovative and interesting programming throughout the year. Without their financial support, these programs would not be possible.

Mary Lou Dorf

Elana Lauber

Janet Rogolsky

Judy Weinberg

See the list of other Honor Roll contributors in the January 2025 bulletin

Volunteer to Help Hungry Children in Toledo



Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 10 AM -12 PM
at the Cherry Street Mission Building
1501 Monroe Street

We are in need of 8-12 volunteers.

The volunteers will be putting together packages of food for children that live in the Toledo area.

RSVP by Feb. 9, 2025 to Kim Brody at kbrody@cbitoledo.org



What is Tu Bshevat?

Tu Bshevat (tú bish'vat) is a Jewish holiday occurring on the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Shevat. It is also called Rosh HaShanah

La'llanot, literally 'New Year of the Trees'. In contemporary Israel, the day is celebrated as an ecological awareness day, and trees are planted in celebration.

On Tu Bshevat, we eat lots of fruit, nuts, and grains, particularly the kinds associated with Israel. The Torah praises seven 'fruits' in particular: wheat, barley, grapes, figs, pomegranates, olives and dates.

This year, Tu Bshevat begins at sunset on Wednesday, February 12th and ends in the evening of Thursday, February 13th.

February Special Birthdays



A Hearty Mazal Tov & Happy Birthday wishes to the following congregants on the occasion of their milestone birthdays!

David Weinberg	February 1
Bonnie Berland	February 9
Diana Lipszyc	February 13

February Special Anniversaries

No Special Anniversaries this month

Special Birthdays & Anniversaries reflect the '0' or '5' year of the birthday or anniversary.



JFSSS Family Pantry Recipients of Meijer Simply Give Campaign

Jewish Senior, Family & Social Services Food Pantry will be the recipients of the Simply Give campaign at the Central Ave. Meijer starting on **December 29, 2024 through March 29, 2025**. Double match days will be **March 1, 2025 and Saturday, March 22, 2025**.

How to Give: During each Simply Give campaign, customers are encouraged to purchase a \$10 Simply Give donation card upon checkout. Once purchased, the donation is converted into a Meijer Food-Only Gift Card and donated directly to the local food pantry selected by the store.

Meijer customers shopping online using Meijer pickup or home delivery can also purchase Simply Give donation cards as an add-on to their orders..

The CBI office will be CLOSED

Monday, February 17, 2025 Presiden'ts Day

Todah Rabah & Mazal Tov to...

TO OUR KIDDUSH LUNCH SPONSORS:

January 11th **David Diamond & The Phyllis Diamond Gift Shop at CBI**
In Honor of Phyllis Diamond's Recovery to Health

Mazal Tov to...

- Cindy Robertson, on the engagement of her son, Quinn Murphy, to Danielle McConnell.



- Dena & David Zack, on the birth of their first grandchild, Eliana Brayden Mustee. Proud (and tired) parents are Shayna & Connor Mustee.

- Gabi & Mike Mallin, on the birth of their first grandchild, Brooks William Agler. Proud (and tired) parents are Samantha & Kevin Agler.

WCBI "Demo & Devour: Part II" Sufganiyot-Making Recap

A fun time was had on December 23, 2024, when 16 women and men gathered in the CBI dairy kitchen to learn how to make sufganiyot (Israeli jelly donuts) from scratch. After a delicious lunch everyone enjoyed the jam-filled sufganiyot to eat and to take home.



IMPORTANT! RETURNING CBI PRAYER BOOKS

If you have borrowed a burgundy Sim Shalom weekday prayer book from the chapel and are no longer using it, please return it to CBI. Quantities in the shul are very low and we do not have enough for services.

Hanukkah Goodie Bags Brought Smiling Faces

On December 19, 2024, a group of dedicated CBI volunteers created Hanukkah goodie bags to distribute to JFFS for Jewish families and to CBI members living at local senior living facilities. The recipients of the goodie bags were grateful for the treats, which included donuts (sufganiyot), snacks, and fun Hanukkah-themed socks! Each of the goodie bags also had a hand-made Hanukkah card made by our Religious School students. This program, and those like it, reminds our home-bound CBI members that we are thinking of them during the holiday season and all year long.



Special thanks to our volunteers who assembled and delivered the bags: (L-R) Judy Weinberg, Cathy Sperling, Bruce Post, Fran Weinblatt, and Mark Wexler.



Phyllis Diamond displays her goodie bag and Hanukkah socks.

CHESED MEALS

If you are aware of a congregant who is ill and in need of short term meal assistance, please contact **Miriam Beckerman by email at mesb@bex.net**. Please, do NOT submit names to the CBI office staff. The assistance provided the congregant in need is short term. There is absolutely no cost to the congregant receiving the meals.

New Members

OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILY WELCOMES NEW MEMBER

Julia Chessler

Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs FEBRUARY EVENTS

The FJMC is the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs. Its mission is to involve Jewish Men in Jewish life. The FJMC is affiliated with the Women's League among many other organizations. It provides Adult Education opportunities for members and non-members.

For more information about the organization or programs, visit the FJMC website or contact Dale Levy, 614-205-9994.

<https://fjmc.org/initiatives/affinity-groups-webinars/>

■ **Yiddish Lite:** For beginners or non-speakers, hosted by Al Davis. For those who wish to learn a bissele (a little) Yiddish, common words and phrases), a few simple songs, etc. Participants will come away with a greater appreciation of the Yiddish language, an ever-increasing Yiddish vocabulary, and the building of a glossary of terms as we go along.

Registration is required, then a Zoom link will be sent. Register once for all the sessions. <https://fjmc.org/initiatives/affinity-groups-webinars/yiddish-lite-affinity-group/>

Alternate Tuesday Evenings, 8:00 PM. Dates are scheduled through June. Feb 11 & 25, Mar 11 & 25, Apr 8 & 22, May 6 & 25, Jun 3 & 17.

■ **Yiddish Alive:** Advanced Yiddish group, hosted by Mike Mills, Jeffrey Newton, Joe Rotstein, Esther Scheer & Barry Wagner.

Registration is required, then a Zoom link will be sent. Register once for all the sessions. <https://fjmc.org/initiatives/affinity-groups-webinars/yiddish-alive-affinity-group/>

Alternate Monday Evenings, 8:00 PM. Dates are scheduled through June. Feb 2 & 17, Mar 3, 17 & 31, Apr 28, May 12, Jun 9 & 23.

■ **Jewish Dad's Support Group:** FJMC now offers bi-weekly support groups specifically for Jewish dads and dads who are part of Jewish families. These support groups will serve as safe, confidential spaces where fathers can come together to share experiences, seek guidance, and support one another in the challenges of parenting. The sessions will be rooted in Jewish values, offering spiritual and emotional support. They are open to all fathers who are part of the Jewish community. With Rabbi Naom Raucher and Psychologist, Dr. Gary Katz.

Register at: <https://fjmc.org/initiatives/affinity-groups-webinars/dads-support-group/>

Alternate Monday Evenings, 7:00 PM. Dates are scheduled through June. Feb 2 & 17, Mar 3, 17 & 31, Apr 28, May 12, Jun 9 & 23.



TORAH PORTION OF THE WEEK

Join us each Friday morning to discuss and learn the weekly Torah portion with fellow CBI members and friends

**Friday Mornings in February
at 11 AM -12 PM, In-Person at CBI**

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

A KNOWLEDGE OF TORAH IS NOT REQUIRED

Let's all learn together!

THIS PROGRAM IS OPEN TO THE MEMBERS OF ALL LOCAL CONGREGATIONS WITH RSVP

Nosh & Knowledge: CBI Adult Education



"Defining Terms in the Context of the War in Gaza"

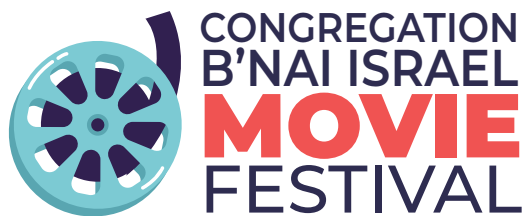
with speaker, Amichai Stout, Director, JCRC

Sunday, February 2, 2025 10:30 AM at CBI

145 sovereign nations recognize an entity known as "the State of Palestine" - but what exactly does that refer to, and how is it different from the Palestinian Authority, Fatah, Hamas, and Gaza? And what does it mean when Israel's Basic Laws define it as Jewish State? Come learn more about the importance of being intentional and informed in our language on these important issues.

**RSVP to kbrody@cbitoledo.org by Friday, January 31, 2025.
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Don't miss this Important program.



• Cost is \$5 per movie.

RSVP by calling the CBI office at 419-517-8400 or email Kim Brody at kbrody@cbitoledo.org.



SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED



**MON. FEB. 10, 2025 7:00 PM
WED. Feb. 12, 2025 1:00 PM**

"THE SAMUEL PROJECT"

RSVP by Friday, February 7th

Run time: 1 hour, 32 minutes
The Samuel Project is a 2018 family comedy drama film that tells the story of an outcast teen who connects with his isolated grandfather for the first time; he discovers he has a surprising past when he makes his grandfather the subject of an animated art project for school. The film stars Hal Linden, Ryan Ochoa.



Shabbat Shirah: The Sabbath of Song

with Hazzan Ivor Lichterman
and Yuval Zaliouk

Saturday, February 8, 2024

Services: 9:30 AM

In-Person & Live Stream

Join us for a special high energy, musical Shabbat experience in words and music in honor of Shabbat Shirah – The Sabbath of Song & Jewish Music Season.

A special drash titled, "Songs of Strength - Jews and Music", will be presented by CBI member, Yuval Zaliouk, Symphony Conductor, Toledo Symphony - Conductor Laureate.

WCBI BOOK CLUB: February Selection

The Other Einstein

by Marie Benedict

Tuesday,

February 25, 2025

10:30 AM at CBI



In the tradition of Beatriz Williams and Paula McClain, Marie Benedict's *The Other Einstein* offers us a window into a brilliant, fascinating woman whose light was lost in Einstein's enormous shadow. This novel resurrects Einstein's wife, a brilliant physicist in her own right, whose contribution to the special theory of relativity is hotly debated. Was she simply Einstein's sounding board, an assistant performing complex mathematical equations? Or did she contribute something more?

The Toledo library has 8 physical copies, plus various digital formats. 87 libraries have copies (including a kit for book clubs) on SearchOhio. 4 libraries have copies on OhioLink.

RSVP to Ellen Federman at efederman@sbcglobal.net by Sunday, February 23, 2025.

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Women of CBI celebrate Rosh Chodesh Shevat



"Whatever Happened to Paint-by- Numbers?"

Thursday,
February 20, 2025
11:00 am at CBI

Say "Paint-by-Numbers" to anyone old enough to read and nine out of ten will know exactly what it is. That is name recognition right up there with Elvis, Barbie, and Michael Jordan. It has become a household word and pure Americana.

Join us as Toledoan Larry Robbins talks about his father Dan's book, *Whatever Happened to Paint-by-Numbers?*, which is a humorous personal account of what it took to make anyone an "artist".

A delicious lunch will be served.

RSVP by February 12th, 2025 to Miriam Beckerman at mesb@bex.net. The registration fee for this program is \$15 and includes lunch. Please make your checks payable to "Women of CBI" and mail to:

Miriam Beckerman, 6006 Main St. Sylvania, OH 43560

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If transportation is needed, please let us know when you RSVP.

The Tikkun Olam for this program will be a monetary donation to benefit Yad LaKashish - Lifeline for the Old.

*Located in Israel, the organization's mission is to give Jerusalem's needy elderly a sense of purpose, self-worth, and connection to mainstream society through creative arts and crafts projects, essential support services, and a warm community environment.
(To learn more visit: lifeline.org.il)*

Learn How to Play Canasta!

Wed. February 5, 19, 2025 12:30 PM at CBI

RSVP to Rhoda Miller at rmiller@cbltoledo.org

Nosh & Knowledge: CBI Adult Education

"Staying (more than) a Step Ahead of Scammers"

with Tim Hagen, Jewish Fed. Project Mgr. & IT Coordinator
Sunday, March 2, 2025 10:30 AM at CBI

It's become increasingly important to protect your online and personal information. Today's program will review best practices to better ensure you're able to safeguard yourself from scams. Learn how to identify, respond to, and report suspicious online communication, whether via email, text message, or phone call.

Following the presentation, a brief Q&A session will be held.

RSVP to kbrody@cbitoledo.org by Friday, February 28, 2025.

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Toledo Jewish Community Purim Carnival

**Sunday, March 16, 2025
10:30 AM at
Temple Shomer Emunim**

The ENTIRE Jewish community is invited to celebrate together with food, games, prizes, hamantaschen, crafts and more!

Watch for more info in the March Bulletin

SAVE

THE

DATE:

CBI ABBA Sing-Along Purim Shpiel Celebration & Delicious Seudah Dinner **Thursday, March 13, 2025 at 5:45 PM at CBI**

Mark your calendar for this exciting and joyous holiday event & delicious dinner!



- Group karaoke Sing-Along Purim Schpiel with your favorite ABBA songs
- Homemade hamantaschen
- Delicious appetizers & dinner
- Hear the Megillah ...and much more!
- Mishloach manot exchange
- Yummy dessert

Cost is \$18 per person. Religious School students and children under 12 FREE.
RSVP by Wednesday, March 5, 2025 to Kim Brody at kbrody@cbitoledo.org or Gabi Mallin at gmallin@cbitoledo.org.

Last-minute cancellations or no-shows will be charged for the event if the office is not notified at least 48 hours before the event.

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If you would like to voice a character in the Shpiel, reading dialog from the script, contact gmallin@cbitoledo.org.

Notes from our Principal

We are halfway through another successful school year. Our students have worked diligently with their teachers throughout the year.

Hands-on Jewish learning is a crucial component to keeping students engaged in their comfort and knowledge of Judaism. Our goal is to have confident, young people who are proud to be Jewish, especially in these challenging times. The topic of Antisemitism has come up and we discuss examples of how it is affecting their every day lives and how to deal with it.

We are looking forward to meeting with representatives from the Shin Shinim program being hosted here in our community. This will be our fourth year hosting these amazing young adults who are living in the Cleveland Jewish community this year and meeting with Jewish kids all over the state.

The Shin Shinim will visit Toledo the weekend of January 31st through February 2nd. Mark your calendars to attend CBI Shabbat services with them on February 1st. They will also be with our students, as well as the students from Shomer Emunim, on February 2nd.

If your family is interested in hosting one or both of them at your home, please contact KBrody@cbitoledo.org.

Kim Brody, Principal, David S. Stone Religious School

David S. Stone Religious School February 2025 Calendar

February

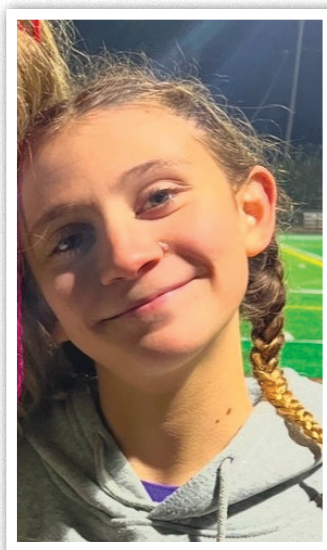
Sunday	2/2	Rel School 9:30-11:30 AM
Wednesday	2/5	Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM
Sunday	2/9	Rel School 9:30-11:30 AM
Wednesday	2/12	Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM
Sunday	2/16	NO RS - PRESIDENT'S WEEKEND
Wednesday	2/19	Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM
Sunday	2/23	Rel School 9:30-11:30 AM
Wednesday	2/26	Hebrew School 4:15-5:45 PM

Meet This Year's Shin Shinim

EMRI ARUSI: In high school, Emri is studying chemistry, biology and music as his majors, and he loves to play the guitar. He also loves hiking and to be in nature. Emri has two brothers, aged 23 and 12. His younger brother, Itay, will soon be a bar mitzvah. His family loves to travel, cook, and eat delicious meals together.

MICHELLE MIHAILA: Michelle studies psychology and diplomacy as majors at her high school. She is also a counselor for 9th graders at scouts which she loves. Michelle has one sister and four dogs which are considered part of the the family. Along with her mom, Dana, she and her sister love to travel. She has been a vegetarian for over 10 years.

Sophia Chernow to become a Bat Mitzvah at CBI



Sophia Madelyn Chernow will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, February 15, 2025, at Congregation B'nai Israel.

Sophia is the daughter of David and Rachel Chernow, and granddaughter of David and Judy Weinberg of Toledo, Ohio, and Ronald and Susan Chernow of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. She is also a loving sister to Hannah.

Sophia is a 7th grader at Ottawa Hills Junior High School. Sophia enjoys playing piano, horseback riding, and creating art projects. She also enjoys spending quality time with her friends and family. Sophia enjoys welcoming Shabbat on Friday evenings with her grandparents. She looks forward to playing games and singing Jewish songs with her grandfather.

Because of her love of horses and riding, Sophia has chosen as her mitzvah project donations to facilities that focus on Equine Therapy such as The Therapeutic Riding Center of Israel as well as others in the Toledo/Michigan areas.

With these donations, Sophia is hoping to make a difference for people who are in need and can use these contributions to help make better lives for themselves.

Sophia is very excited to be able to share her simcha with all her family and friends.

CONTRIBUTION LEVELS:

* denotes B'nai Mitzvah	\$13
** denotes Chai	\$18
*** denotes Silver	\$25
**** denotes Double Chai	\$36
° Gold Contribution	\$50
^ Platinum Contribution	\$100
^^ Platinum Chai Contribution	\$180
^^ Double Platinum Contribution	\$200
^^° Sapphire Contribution	\$250
^^^DbI Platinum Chai Contribution	\$360
+ Ruby Contribution	\$500
++ Emerald Contribution	\$750
+++ Diamond Contribution	\$1000+

*All contributions listed
were made on or before
January 15, 2025*

Building Beautification Fund

YAHREZIT:

- **B'NAI MITZVAH** -
Sean David Schroeder
Robert Schroeder Richard Schroeder*

Camp Ramah Fund

IN HONOR OF:

- **CHAI** -
Gabi & Mike Mallin, Birth of Grandson, Brooks
Kathryn Linver**

Cantor's Discretionary Fund

IN HONOR OF:

- **B'NAI MITZVAH** -
Eli Abramson, Special Birthday
Gabi & Mike Mallin, Birth of Grandson, Brooks
Arlene & Jerry Russell*

- **SILVER** -
Hazzan Ivor & Jan Lacker-Lichterman
Anniversary Judy & Bruce Liebenthal***

SPEEDY RECOVERY:

- **CHAI** -
Ivor Lichterman, Speedy Recovery
Fran & Chuck Weinblatt**

YAHREZIT:

- **DOUBLE CHAI** -
Rita Hoffman, Beloved Sister
Harriet Lacker****
Rudy Ertis Jan Steinberg & Family*****
Frances Penkower Sheila, Bruce, Jordon,
& Brynna Post*****

- **GOLD** -
Gordon M. Goldman
Harry Goldman Roberta & Dr. Gordon
Goldman°

Harry Gometz Fund

YAHREZIT:

- **CHAI** -
Nicholas Goldhammer
Harriet Davis**
- **GOLD** -
Frances Gometz Harriet Davis°

Harris/Williams Fund

YAHREZIT:

- **SILVER** -
Alfred Harris
Leona Harris Harold Harris***
- **PLATINUM CHAI** -
Alfred Harris, Beloved Father
Sheldon Harris^**

Hiddur/Kiddush Fund

IN HONOR OF:

- **B'NAI MITZVAH** -
Stuart Goldberg, Special Birthday
Harry Nistel, Special Birthday
Nora Romanoff &
Eli Abramson*

- **CHAI** -
Harry Nistel, Special Birthday
Sharon & Sanford Stein**

Dena & David Zack, Birth of Granddaughter,
Elianna
Gabi & Mike Mallin, Birth of Grandson, Brooks
Fagie Benstein**

YAHREZIT:

- **B'NAI MITZVAH** -
Sarah Phillips, Beloved Grandmother
Abraham Russell, Beloved Grandfather
Sadie Russell, Beloved Mother
Arlene & Jerry Russell*

Noel Romanoff
Honey Feingold
Esther Tobi Abramson
Phillip H. Miller Nora Romanoff &
Eli Abramson*

- **DOUBLE CHAI** -
Joseph Fingerhut Esther & Barry
Sherman****

Cal & Art Katz Sanctuary Fund

IN HONOR OF:

- **CHAI** -
Steven Kaufman, Special Birthday
Anne & Jeff Bauer**

YAHREZIT:

- **SILVER** -
Deena Kaufman, Beloved Mother
Susan & Steve Kaufman***
- **DOUBLE CHAI** -
Phillip H. Miller Linda & Joel Beren****

Sherwin & Naomi Kripke Fund

IN MEMORY OF:

- **RUBY** -
Larry Kripke Michaela Starr+

Sherwin & Naomi Kripke Fund (cont.)

YAHREZIT:

- **SILVER** -
Sherwin Kripke Stacey & Harley Kripke***
Zelda Lasky Rita & Allen Cohen***
- **GOLD** -
Sylvia Brauer, Beloved Mother, Grandmother &
Great-Grandmother
Eleanor Golding & Family°

Library Fund

YAHREZIT:

- **DOUBLE CHAI** -
Ida Rubin Jean & Allan Rubin****

Safety & Security Fund

IN HONOR OF:

- **B'NAI MITZVAH** -
Dena & David Zack, Birth of Granddaughter,
Elianna The Brody Family*
Fran & Chuck Weinblatt*
Gabi & Mike Mallin, Birth of Grandson, Brooks
The Brody Family*

- **CHAI** -
Dena & David Zack, Birth of Granddaughter,
Elianna Jan & Tom Kasle**
Sandy & Chuck Traugott**

Gabi & Mike Mallin, Birth of Grandson, Brooks
Jan & Tom Kasle**
Sandy & Chuck Traugott**

SPEEDY RECOVERY:

- **B'NAI MITZVAH** -
Howard Moskowitz, Speedy Recovery
Phyllis & Charles
Wittenberg*

- **CHAI** -
Ivor Lichterman, Speedy Recovery
Howard Moskowitz, Speedy Recovery
Jan & Tom Kasle**

YAHREZIT:

- **B'NAI MITZVAH** -
Sadie Russell Marlene Russell*

- **CHAI** -
Maxwell Lampert, Beloved Father
Barbara Edellstein, Beloved Aunt
Susan Richards**

- **SILVER** -
David Greebaum Ann & Howard
Rosenberg***

Tribute Fund

IN HONOR OF:

- **B'NAI MITZVAH** -
Gabi & Mike Mallin, Birth of Grandson, Brooks
Fran & Chuck Weinblatt*

IN HONOR OF:

- **CHAI** -
Jan & Tom Kasle, Birth of Grandson, Emerson
David Diamond**
Judy & David Weinberg, Bat Mitzvah of Sophia
Chernow Karen & Curt Posner**

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Tribute Fund (cont.)

IN HONOR OF:

- CHAI -

Dena & David Zack, Birth of Granddaughter,
Elianna
Gabi & Mike Mallin, Birth of Grandson, Brooks
Jo-Jo & Stu Goldberg**

SPEEDY RECOVERY:

- CHAI -

Charley Bauer, Continued Recovery
The Mallin Family**

YAHZRZEIT:

- CHAI -

Gertrude Levitin
Norman Levitin Jenny & Howard Levitin**

Taube Greenblatt
Alan Blumberg Dick Greenblatt**

Isaac Mizrachi Gabi Mallin**

- SILVER -

Judy Erd Steven Erd***

Sara Volkin
Peggy Struening Sue Wilson***

- DOUBLE CHAI -

Sam Gisser, Beloved Grandfather
The Mallin Family****

Lisa Lewandowski Bette L. Raymond*****

- PLATINUM -

Dr. Samuel Korman Burton Korman, Fern &
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**Honor your special simcha or milestone event by
sponsoring a Kiddush at CBI**

*Due to rising costs, the price of a basic Kiddush has increased to \$350
as of January 1, 2025*

***Basic Kiddush for 50 people: \$350 Includes:**

- Plastic Table Cloths
- Bagels: sliced and warmed
- Tuna Fish Salad
- Paper Plates and Plastic Cutlery
- Butter and cream cheese
- Salad: lettuce, tomatoes, cucumber and radishes (dressing on the side)
- Dessert: cookies or brownies
- Fruit: canned or fresh

Extras:

- Nicer plates/napkins: \$20 per 25 people
- China: \$150 (includes dishwasher)
- Linen table cloths & napkins: \$50 - \$150
- Noodle kugel (sweet): \$20
- Egg salad: \$15
- Lox: \$1.25 per person in increments of 12 (plus additional labor charges)
- Eston's parve ½ sheet cake: \$84 (purchased by Kiddush sponsor)

*All costs are based on 50 people. If additional people are expected then prices will increase accordingly. Additional fees will be added if extra labor is needed to prepare the Kiddush.

Gluten-free options are also available. Please call the office at 419.517.8400 for more information.

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In Honor of In Memory of In Appreciation Speedy Recovery Yahrzeit

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February 1

3 Shevat
Isaac Mizrachi
Ethel Grossman
Howard Gerbie
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February 2

4 Shevat
Jasha Glasser
Aron Kaplan
Gertrude Reinwald
Dorothy Mindel
Ann A. Waldman
Lester Rosen
Alfred Harris
Melvin Albert
Barbara Edellstein

February 3

5 Shevat
Morris Baker
Rina Gudelman
Bernard Newman
Ben Harris

February 4

6 Shevat
Yuriy Zaurov
Sara Volkin
Edith Friedman
Leo Goldner
Eva Goldman

February 5

7 Shevat
Irwin Dorf
Ruth Kay
Louis Fingerhut
Evelyn Teman

February 6

8 Shevat
Jacob Cooperman
Selma Bergher
Louis L. Lipszyc

February 7

8 Shevat
Samuel Schuster
Charles Liber
Harry Katz
Charles Gutowitz
Willard Bud Bentley

February 8

10 Shevat
Sheldon Lubow
Helen Boslov
Isabel Korman
Rose Silverstone

February 9

11 Shevat
Lois Steinberg
Abram Rotshtein
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Jacob Friedes

February 10

12 Shevat
Arthur Katz
Joseph Tannenbaum
Lisa Lewandowski
Barbara Kale
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February 11

13 Shevat
Harry Bustow
Hyman Duchon
Sol Mendelson
Melvin Fogel

February 12

14 Shevat
Selma Zimmerman
Miriam Meyers Barrack
Anna Kaminsky
Albert Friedman
Judith Fleischer
Harold Friedman
Eva Friedmar

February 13

15 Shevat
Sarah Mozen
Maurice Kripke
Sheldon Goldstein
Betty Fogel
Shirley Bader
Norman Podolsky

February 14

16 Shevat
Myer Liber
Ted Helberg
Fay Aronoff
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February 15

16 Shevat
Dora Meyers Levin
Rose Friedman
Esther Schulak
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Esther Goldberg
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Eva Joseph
Charles Rabinowitz

February 16

18 Shevat
Charles Shapler
James M. Levison
Sean David Schroeder
Marie Odenheimer

February 17

19 Shevat
Hayim Leizerman
Miriam Lubow
Harry Yaffe
Edith Rose Kramer
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Elsie Berkowitz
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Theodore Torchin
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February 18

20 Shevat
Lori Kremer Immergluck
Margaret Jablonski
Sam Stohl
Hyman Auslander
Belle Swartz
Hettie Berenson
Bertha Treuhaft
Rebecca Fishman
Morris Freimer

February 19

21 Shevat
Freda Cohen
Mary Pintis
Marilyn Swartz
Rose Swolsky
Rivka Leah Kesselman

February 20

22 Shevat
Miriam Leeper-Kende
Shirley Kirshner
Inge Horowitz
Benjamin Braveman
Alexander Louis Kramer
Celia Polson
Abraham Joseph Shall

February 21

23 Shevat
Peggy Struening
Edna Tannenbaum
Ernest Damrauer
Harry Levison
Betty Katz
Evelyn Gayle Schall
Mendel Tochtermann
Max Sack

February 22

24 Shevat
Rose Levison
Martin Alexander
Mary Rubin
Pearl Segall
Anna Cohen
Pauline Vetensky
Phil Hening
Alex Fishbein

February 23

25 Shevat
Julia Brookenthal
Simon Karp
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February 24

26 Shevat
Robert B. Schuller
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Harry Rosenblatt
Abraham Smith
Sylvia Brauer
Isadore Fingerhut
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February 25

27 Shevat
David Reuben Goldberg
Marjorie Jacobs
Deena Kaufman
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Beatrice Kaplan

February 26

28 Shevat
Meyer Shall
Sander Simon
Karen Springer

February 27

29 Shevat
Richard K. Friedman
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Rose Drube

February 28

30 Shevat
Jerald Gale
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CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL
DURING YOUR LIFETIME.

PLEASE CONSIDER LEAVING
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CBI Weekly Services Schedule

Mon. & Thurs. Morning Minyan
8:00 AM - In Person/Zoom

**Monday ~ Thursday Evening Minyan &
Friday Evening Kabbalat Shabbat 5:45 PM - Zoom**

Saturday Morning Shabbat
9:30 AM - In Person/Live Stream

***Sunday Morning Minyan 9:30 AM - In Person/Zoom**
**when religious school is in session*

*The link and passcode for weekday Zoom services is included in
the Wednesday Update email sent to all CBI members.*

*If you need the information resent to you, email
gmallin@cbitoledo.org with your request.*



CBI
LIVE
STREAMING

How to access CBI Live Stream Services

On your Computer, Tablet or Cell Phone:

- Go to the CBI website, cbitoledo.org.
- At the top of the home page click on "Live Stream".
- When the page opens, you will be connected to the CBI live stream service.

On your Television:

You can also access the live stream services through your television if you have a "smart" TV, Roku or streaming stick which gives you access to YouTube.

- Click on the YouTube icon on your TV.
- When YouTube opens, search for "**Congregation B'nai Israel - Sylvania, Ohio**".
- Be sure to click on the listing that has the photo with Jewish star (*see photo above*).
- We recommend that you "subscribe" to the channel so you can easily locate the live stream for future services. We also highly recommend connecting to the live stream services on your TV as it is the most immersive and closest experience, short of being in the synagogue.

DONATING RELIGIOUS OBJECTS TO CBI

If you are downsizing your home, be aware that it is permissible to throw away old kippot. Unfortunately, we cannot accept old books on Jewish subjects from your library. We would be glad to receive your old prayer books, tallitot or other religious objects for burial.

PLEASE LET US KNOW

If you or someone you know is ill, or in the hospital and would appreciate a phone call from the Hazzan, please call the office at 419.517.8400. Due to HIPAA privacy regulations, hospitals do not notify clergy if a member is admitted.

YAHARZEIT NOTICES...

If you are not receiving a yahrzeit notice for a friend or relative and would like one sent annually, please call the office at 419-517-8400. We will need the English date of death.

CONTRIBUTE ONLINE

If you would like to make a contribution to CBI and are unable to call during business hours, you can make your contribution on our website: cbitoledo.org

Click the "Contributions" tab on the navigation bar and follow the prompts for Online Contributions. For any questions, contact the office at 419.517.8400.



How to access CBI Zoom Programs & Services

- Check your email for the Zoom link and password for CBI Zoom services.
- Click on the link in the body of the email.
- If you have never used Zoom, you will be prompted to follow steps to download it on your computer.
- After that is successful, click on the link provided in the email, type in the provided password and you will be connected to the Zoom service.

A link and passcode will be emailed to congregants.

LIVESECURE



ENSURING THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF OUR JEWISH COMMUNITY

Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo LiveSecure Initiative

Dear Friends,

JewishToledo has an exciting opportunity to receive \$85,000 in grant funds in each of the next three years from Jewish Federations of North America LiveSecure Matching Security Program. **To receive this funding, JFGT must raise \$85,000 in each of the next three years to match the national grant.**

To meet the match requirement, our community is launching the **LiveSecure Matching Security Campaign**. **Every dollar you designate and donate for security up to \$85,000 will be matched dollar-for-dollar** by the generous grant, effectively doubling the impact of your contribution.

The **LiveSecure Matching Security Campaign** is endorsed by the lay leaders and clergy of Chabad of Toledo, Congregation B'nai Israel of Toledo, Congregation Etz Chayim, and Temple Shomer Emunim. JFGT has committed to directly funding at least \$50,000 collectively, in each of the next three years, to these partners for some of their security expenses. All these leaders implore everyone to support this important initiative to help safeguard the security of our Jewish community.

Your support is essential in ensuring that our Toledo Jewish community remains a safe place for worship, learning, and connection. Together, we can leverage the power of the LiveSecure Matching Security Campaign to safeguard our heritage and uphold the values we cherish.

Thank you for your unwavering commitment and generosity. We are deeply grateful for your partnership in this critical initiative.

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With a LiveSecure grant and the support of SCN, Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo will greatly advance the safety and security of Jewish Toledo

How to Donate

Donating is easy:

1. Online: Visit our secure donation page at the QR code or <https://tinyurl.com/svxjpa2h>
2. Mail: Send your check to: LiveSecure Matching Security Campaign JFGT, 6465 Sylvania Ave., Sylvania OH 43560
3. Phone: Call us at 419-885-4461 to make a secure donation over the phone.
4. Commitment: 3 year commitments are preferred but annual contributions can also be made.

**Please note that this gift is NOT in lieu of an Annual Campaign contribution.



Join Us in Protecting Our Future

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

February 2025

2	9:30 AM In-Person/Zoom Morning Service 9:30-11:30 AM Religious School 10:30 AM In-Person at CBI Adult Ed with Amichai Stout	3	8:00 AM In-Person/Zoom Morning Service 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	4	5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	5	4:15-5:45 PM Hebrew School @ Chabad 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	6	8:00 AM In-Person/Zoom Morning Service 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	7	11:00 AM In-Person Parashat Hashavuah: Torah Portion of the Week 5:45 PM Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat Service	8	9:30 AM In-Person/Live Stream Shabbat Morning Service Shabbat Shira - Sabbath of Song <i>Lipszyk Kiddush</i> Parashat Beshalach 12:45 PM Mincha 6:34 PM Shabbat Ends
9	9:30 AM In-Person/Zoom Morning Service 9:30-11:30 AM Religious School	10	8:00 AM In-Person/Zoom Morning Service 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service 7:00 PM In-Person CBI Movie Festival: The Samuel Project	11	10:00 AM Cherry St. Mission Connecting Kids to Meals Volunteer Activity 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	12	1:00 PM In-Person CBI Movie Festival: The Samuel Project 4:15-5:45 PM Hebrew School @ Chabad 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	13	TU B'SHEVAT 8:00 AM In-Person/Zoom Morning Service 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	14	11:00 AM In-Person Parashat Hashavuah: Torah Portion of the Week 5:45 PM Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat Service 5:41 PM Light Candles	15	9:30 AM In-Person/Live Stream Shabbat Morning Service Parashat Yitro <i>Sophie Chernow Bat Mitzvah</i> 12:45 PM Mincha 6:42 PM Shabbat Ends
16	PRESIDENT'S WEEKEND No Religious School 9:30 AM Zoom Only Morning Service	17	PRESIDENT'S DAY Office Closed 8:00 AM Zoom Only Morning Service 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	18	5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	19	4:15-5:45 PM Hebrew School @ Chabad 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	20	8:00 AM In-Person/Zoom Morning Service 11:00 In-Person at CBI WCBI Rosh Chodesh Shevat 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	21	11:00 AM In-Person Parashat Hashavuah: Torah Portion of the Week 5:45 PM Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat Service 5:49 PM Light Candles	22	9:30 AM In-Person/Live Stream Shabbat Morning Service Parashat Mishpatim <i>Grubb-Mann Baby-Naming</i> 12:45 PM Mincha 6:45 PM In-Person at CBI Havdalah Have Fun! Night 6:59 PM Shabbat Ends
23	9:30 AM In-Person/Zoom Morning Service 9:30-11:30 AM Religious School	24	8:00 AM In-Person/Zoom Morning Service 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	25	10:30 AM In-Person WCBI Book Club The Other Einstein 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	26	4:15-5:45 PM Hebrew School @ Chabad 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	27	8:00 AM In-Person/Zoom Morning Service 5:45 PM Zoom Evening Service	28	11:00 AM In-Person Parashat Hashavuah: Torah Portion of the Week 5:45 PM Zoom Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:06 PM Light Candles		

Mazal Tov & L'Chaim!

Please let the office know if you have a simcha or special news that you would like to share with our congregation.



We will happily post details and photos in the CBI Bulletin, if space allows.

Deadline is the 15th of the previous month. Please call the office at 419-517-8400.

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