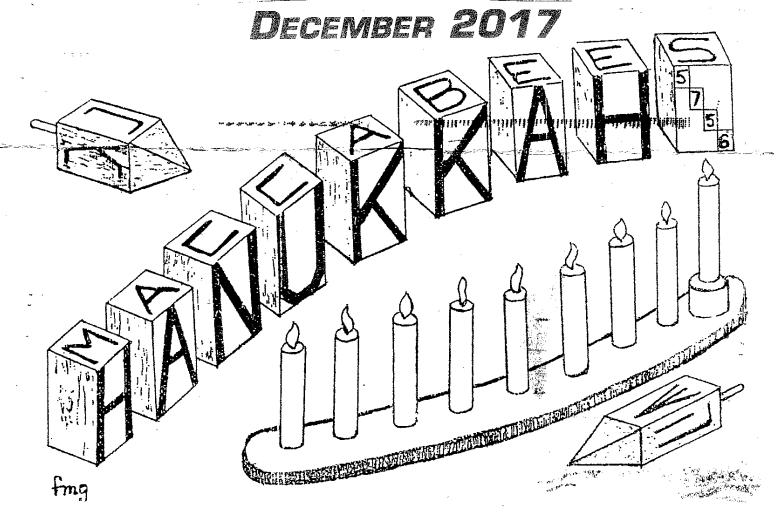


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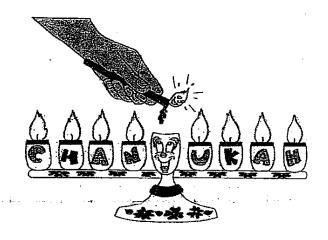


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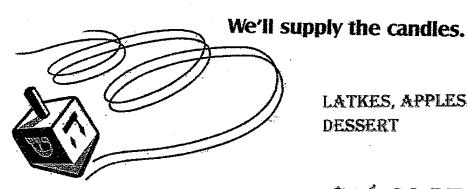
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B'NEINU (BETWEEN US)

"That which has been is that which shall be, and that which has been done is that which shall be done; and there is nothing new under the sun." – KOHELET (AKA ECCLESIASTES) 1:9

A tour Ritual Committee meeting last month, we discussed making some changes to our Saturday morning service. Instead of giving a d'var Torah or a sermon every week, we will also examine the prayers themselves. Come and learn about Aleinu; as in what line was taken out of the prayer and why. Are there languages other than Hebrew and English that are used in our service? (Yes.) Which psalms are used and why? You get the idea.

We'll cover as many as we can and, contrary to the meaning of the word "order. Requests accepted in advance, please. ©

Along with learning the purpose behind some of the prayers, I will also prepare transliterations of some of them. This will help those who cannot read Hebrew to learn the words – and even some of the melodies!

As with every service: no prior experience is needed in order to participate and come out ahead!

Dinner followed by a Friday night service. You've seen the flyer... hurry up and RSVP if you haven't already! Dinner is at 6pm on Dec. 1st followed by the service at 7:30pm.

While November has a few holidays in it, the month of Cheshvan had none. And so with Kislev upon us, we prepare to welcome the *Festival of Lights*. Last year the holiday fell "late" (although

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still on the 25th of Kislev); this year our first candle gets lit after sundown on December 12.

Then, on December 14th, I encourage you to join us at Hempstead Village Hall, 99 Nichols Court for our Annual Menorah Lighting @ 4:30pm. Many of you may not live within the Village, but it has been CBI's home for 102 years! Come show your support. Following the lighting, please join us for some refreshments back at CBI.

In my article from December 2016, I admonished the rhetoric used in the previous month's election campaigns. One year later, our country has experienced too many acts of hatred that have resulted in the deaths of far too many innocent souls.

It is normal to approach the end of one year while looking ahead to the new year as being one filled with hope and promise. While the days are literally at their darkest at this time of year, we have the lights of the Chanukah candles to remind us that better days are ahead and that our faith in a better world is not so far-fetched.

I wish all of you a wonderful 2018, filled with good health and good *mazel!*

— Rabbi Michael 516.547.3581 RABBI.MICHAEL@ME.COM

Letter from the President

As 2017 draws to a close, I've been reflecting back on many things.

I remember when I was a kid and I knew I wanted to become a dentist. That was my passion. Later as I watched my kids grow up, I wanted to make sure they became responsible adults. Now, as I enter retirement, my passion is to see CBI flourish.

We all have strengths and weaknesses. We all have talents. I know I'm good at organizing things. Robin is creative. What is your talent?

I wonder if you can find some way to use your talent to help us at CBI. Are you a good salesperson? Fundraising needs you. Are you passionate about Torah? Ritual needs you. Are you good at fixing things? House committee needs you. The list goes on and on.

You've seen the questionnaire we sent to you. If you've already returned it, thank you. Your comments and suggestions will be taken seriously. If you have not sent it back, I hope you will. Please remember to send it to my home address and not the temple. If there is something you want to say and feel uncomfortable, you can be anonymous. Of course, if you say "yes" to wanting to be on the board, you will need to disclose who you are!

It's been a privilege to serve as your President these past 4 1/2 years. Our congregation is comprised of members from reform, conservative and orthodox upbringings. Some of you only come on the high holidays, some of you come on Saturdays. Regardless of our differences, we are bonded together thanks to CBI.

Make a New Year's resolution to become more active at CBI. Find something to be passionate about. Find a way to use your talents and hopefully use them to help us.

Wishing you all a happy Hanukkah, and a happy, healthy New Year.

Richie

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SISTERHOOD NEWS



The Chanukah season is filled with family and friends, light and latkes! To prepare for the gift giving, Sisterhood is having a mini bazaar Sunday, December 10th, including hand crafted jewelry by Ronnie Liebman, Oriental imports from Terri Barkhordar, handbags, accessories and sundries for men and women

Back by popular demand, we will again have a freilach on December 25th with Israeli dancing. We have invited members from South Baldwin, Young Israel of West Hempstead and the Chabad of West Hempstead. Get your reservations in by December 10th. The cost is \$25 per person. Send your checks to the temple, made out to Sisterhood Beth Israel.

Mah Jongg continues on Tuesdays even as the weather cools and many members fly off to warmer climes.

THERE WILL BE NO GENERAL MEETINGS IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY.

But we will have a book discussion January 21st. The book is BEFORE WE WERE YOURS by Lisa Wingate.

Watch for e-mails and phone messages with updates and times of these events and join us.

Laura and Judi, co-presidents

THE NEW MEMORIAL BOARD

Hile	2018 HOL	IDAYS (5778-5779)	
The state of the part	All Jewish Holidays start at sundown the day before listed.		
Tu B'Shevat	January 31, 2018	Lag B'Omer	
Purim.,	March 1, 2018	Shavuot May 20-21, 2018	
Passover	April 1-April 7, 2018	Rosh Hashanah September 10-11, 2018	
	April 12, 2018	Yom Kippur September 19, 2018	
(Holocaust Remembrance Day))	Sukkot September 24-30, 2018	
Yorn Ha'Zikaron	Aprîl 18, 2018	Shemini AtzeretOctober 1, 2018	
(Israel's Memorial Day)		,	
Yom Ha'Atzmaut	April 19, 2018	Simchat TorahOctober 2, 2018	
(Israel's independence Day)		Chanukah December 3-10, 2018	

THINKING AHEAD, MARIANNE BAKER, COMPTROLLER

WASN'T IT GREAT LISTENING TO CANTOR MARK DURING THOSE LONG HOURS OF THE ROSH HASHONAH AND YOM KIPPUR HOLIDAYS?

PICTURE THOSE THREE DAYS WITHOUT THE MUSIC. THERE WAS A TIME AFTER THE CONGREGATION TRIED TO REGAIN ITS BEARINGS IN A NEW, SMALLER VENUE AFTER SO MANY YEARS IN OUR TARAESQUE HOME AT 94 FULTON WHEN THERE WAS NO MUSIC.

NO ONE HAD PAID ATTENTION AS THE SHOPS AND BUSINESSES LINING THE MAIN PART OF THE VILLAGE BEGAN TO MOVE AWAY AND THE MEMBERSHIP BASE THAT HAD ALLOWED US TO HAVE MORNING AND EVENING MINYANS AND FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SERVICES EVERY WEEK BEGAN TO DISAPPEAR. NO ONE NOTICED THAT THE YOUNGSTERS IN OUR HEBREW SCHOOL GREW UP, LEFT FOR COLLEGES AND DIDN'T COME BACK TO JOIN THEIR PARENTS AS MEMBERS OF CBI.

THE CONGREGATION THAT HAD ALWAYS HAD A RABBI, A CANTOR, A CHOIR AND A CHOIR DIRECTOR SUDDENLY FOUND ITSELF IN A SMALLER PLACE WITH A SMALLER BUDGET. AWAY WITH ALL FRIPPERIES INCLUDING THE MUSIC!

THEN AFTER YEARS OF THE AUSTERITY DECREED BY THE COMPTROLLER (ME), A STILL, SMALL VOICE (ALSO ME) WAS HEARD MAKING A MOTION TO HIRE A CANTOR FOR THE HIGH HOLIDAYS, IMMEDIATELY SECONDED BY THE LATE JOE LEVIN. IN THE DISCUSSION THAT FOLLOWED, THE BOARD AGREED THAT WE OWED IT TO OURSELVES TO BEAUTIFY OUR SERVICES AND TO MAKE DONATIONS IN ORDER TO FUND THIS NEW HIRE. THUS WAS THE CANTOR FUND ESTABLISHED. THERE WAS AND STILL IS NO BUDGET FOR THE CANTOR, BUT WE DO HAVE THE CANTOR FUND TO WHICH MEMBERS AND NON MEMBERS CONTRIBUTE VARIOUS AMOUNTS DURING THE YEAR. IN THEIR WILLS, FLORENCE AND AL GOLDBERG AND THEN EVELYN HOLLANDER LEFT FUNDS TO BE DRAWN DOWN ANNUALLY TO HELP DEFRAY THE COSTS OF A HOLIDAY CANTOR. BUT THESE ARE ALMOST USED UP.

THINKING AHEAD, WOULD YOU WANT TO SPEND THOSE THREE LONG DAYS WITHOUT THE CANTOR? WE HAVE A WHOLE YEAR TO ACCUMULATE THE FUNDS, BUT YOUR HELP IS NEEDED. ANY AMOUNT, ANY TIME, FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY, YOUR ANNIVERSARY—GIVE YOURSELF THE GIFT OF MUSIC FOR THE HIGH HOLIDAYS WITH A CHECK OR CHECKS TO THE CANTOR FUND.

I THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR HELPING TO MAKE OUR JERVICES MORE BEAUTIFUL AND MEANINGFUL.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS:

ROBIN AND RICHIE KRAUSS AT THE YAHRZEIT OF ROBIN'S BROTHER AND IN MEMORY OF STANLEY ROTHMAN'S DAUGHTER. MURIEL LEVINE AT THE YAHRZEIT OF MY FATHER.

MARIANE AND JAY CRYSTAL TO THE RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND IN HONOR OF OUR SON, IAN'S MARRIAGE TO OUR "NEW DAUGHTER" AURELIE, WITH LOVE.

MARIANNE BAKER IN HONOR OF SANDY BERNSTEIN AND HER PARENTS, RUTH AND DAVID VOLIN.

ELLEN AND STANLEY ROTHMAN TO THE RABBI'S DISC. FUND IN MEMORY OF DAUGHTER, CAROLINE.

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LYNDAJEAN SPINA, IN HONOR OF PAUL SKULSKY, A GREAT MAN.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK RABBI MICHAEL AND MY BETH ISRAEL FAMILY FOR SUPPORTING ME AT A DIFFICULT TIME. I APPRECIATE THAT SO MANY CAME TO MY HOME THE THREE NIGHTS THAT WE HAD A SHIVA MINYAN FOR MY DAUGHTER CAROLINE WHO SADLY PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 11.

Superfoods that Help Keep Your Arteries Clear and Your Heartbeat Stable

DO enjoy your oatmeal to help absorb cholesterol. Rolled oats are good, but *steel-cut oats are even better* because they are less likely to cause spikes in blood sugar, according to experts from the Harvard School of Public Health.

Over time, long periods of high blood sugar can lead to health problems linked to heart disease, such as obesity and diabetes.

For overall heart health, DO eat plenty of peanuts and tree nuts such as walnuts, pecans, and pistachios. They help lower harmful LDL cholesterol, raise protective HDL cholesterol, and lower blood pressure.

SISTERHOOD'S TRIBUTE FUND

ADRIENNE AND ALAN MANTIS to Stanley Rothman in memory of his daughter, Caroline. LAURA LEVY, get well to Hank Goldman; to Harold Broder in memory of Elaine Broder.

SUSAN AND MARK BASS get well to Buddy Schoenfeld.

MARK AND SUSAN ZALKIN, a donation.

MARIANE AND JAY CRYSTAL in memory of Sidel Cooper and in honor of our son's marriage to Aurelie.

MURIEL LEVINE to Dr Stanley Rothman in memory of his daughter, Caroline.

Although I will be in Florida over the long, cold winter, I am always reachable by phone and email, 516 641 2203 and LSS500@aol.

Take good care, be in touch, stay safe and healthy. See you in the spring. Shalom, Lynn

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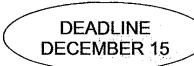
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Circle the names of those you choose to acknowledge and your name will be included in the greetings mailed to those congregants. A donation of \$1.50 is requested for each name you have selected. Proceeds will be used by Sisterhood for the benefit of our Temple.

Please return your list and check (made out to Beth Israel/Sisterhood) by <u>December 15</u> to Eleanor Nierenberg, 605 Meadowoods Drive, East Meadow, NY 11554

Allow your friends at Temple to acknowledge your special dates. Let Eleanor know if you're not already on our lists. Join in!

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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