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Temple Beth Zion-Beth Israel's Weekly E-Newsletter / November 24, 2021

Spotlight

Just Announced! Kahaner KabShabbat

Friday, December 3 at 5:30 PM

Join us for a special musical Kabbalat Shabbat (KabShabbat) service in-the-round, featuring the grand debut of the BZBI Davening Team. Let's welcome Shabbat with song and prayer together in a joyous return to Kahaner Auditorium.



Our Wonderful Sunday BZBI Tree Planting

Dozens of BZBI members and Early Childhood parents joined in song and shovel to help us plant a new tree on 18th Street last Sunday. Led by Rabbi Abi on vocals and Rabbi Abe on guitar, we joyously tried tree poses to warm ourselves. [Watch the video here.](#)

Many thanks to all for welcoming the new tree to BZBI, especially Eileen Dwell for her hard work in making this happen.

As the tree grows and strengthens, we will feed and water it. While not required, you are welcome to help us by becoming a [Philadelphia Horticultural Society Tree Tender](#). Tree Tenders attend basic training and are given the tools to plant and nurture trees in their own communities.

[The Center City Residents' Association \(CCRA\)](#) offers wonderful support for neighborhood trees as well. BZBI Member Nancy Coleman is editor of the CCRA Quarterly newsletter [which you can view here.](#)



Worship

Thanksgiving and Shabbat Multi-Access Services

Click on the [green underlined text](#) for information and registration

[Wednesday, November 24 - Kislev 20](#)

[Morning Minyan](#)

7:45 - 8:15 AM

On Zoom only

Temple office closes at 3:00 PM

No evening minyan

[Thursday, November 25 - Kislev 21](#)

Thanksgiving Day

[Holiday Morning Minyan](#)



9:00 - 9:30 AM
On Zoom only

Special Evening Minyan

6:00 - 6:30 PM
On Zoom only

Friday, November 26 - Kislev 22

Holiday Morning Minyan

9:00 - 9:30 AM

Shabbat Candlelighting
4:20 PM

Kabbalat Shabbat

5:30 - 6:30 PM
In Fittler Square and on Zoom



Saturday, November 27 - Kislev 23

Shabbat Morning Service

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Parashah Vayeshev

In the Goldberg Sanctuary and on Zoom
Followed by "Grab n' Gab" Kiddush

Torah Readers: Shoshana Barnett, Ken Cohen, Ed Kerson, Odelia Krasner-Friedman, Carmie Levine, Gedalia Penner-Robinson

Haftarah: Shoshana Barnett

D'var Torah: Rabbi Abe Friedman

Neziner Hebrew School on break

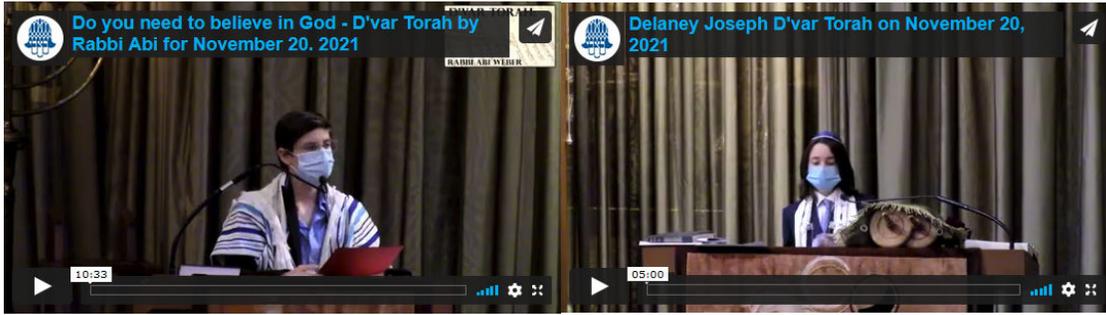
Tot Shabbat on break

Shabbat Ends
5:24 PM

This Week's Downloads

- **[Kabbalat Shabbat Prayerbook](#)**
- **[Shabbat Prayerbook](#)**
- **[Torah reading for Shabbat Vayeshev](#)**

Last Week's D'verei Torah



Members

Mazal Tov to:

- **Jill Neuman & Jason Pawlowsky** and big brother **Harry** (Blue Room) on the birth of Baby Olivia Vail
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Donations this Week:

In Honor of:

- **Rachel Devor's** marriage by Robin Lebow, Sara & Adam Laver
- **Rabbis Friedman, Weber & Stone** by Sisterhood of BZBI
- **Delaney Joseph** Bar Mitzvah by Robin Lebow

Refuah Shelamah to:

- **Debbie Fleischman** by Robin Lebow

In Memory of:

- **Hattie Carp** by Barbara Pomerantz
 - **Cyrus Gordon** by Barbara Pomerantz
 - **Elliot Gould** by Virginia Greene
 - **Sylvia Horowitz** by Judy & Bill Brookover
 - **Max Lebow** by Judy & Bill Brookover
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Yahrzeits November 27 - December 3

Penina Adlin | John Beer | Mary Epstein | Joseph Fassler |
Isadore Fickler | Adolph Fickler | Cyrus Gordon | Elliot Gould |
Arthur Hanau | Hermine Kahn | Julie Kaplan | Mildred Katz |
Samuel Penn | William Remer | John Wertheimer | Rachel Ziobro



Events

Hanukkah begins this Sunday evening, November 28.
[The full calendar of incredible events can be found on our website.](#)



Sufganiyot Update

Rolings Bakery is delivering scrumptious jelly donuts one day earlier than planned! Pickup for those who ordered in advance is now available on Tuesday, November 30, in addition to Wednesday, December 1, between 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM both days.



Hanukkah Serve for 8 Events

Hanukkah begins at sunset on Sunday, November 28

Tikkum Olam (repairing the world) is integral to our community and during Hanukkah we focus on giving back. Help us by serving others for eight days, through the *Servefor8* program. Projects this year include:

- Collecting new and gently used socks, belts, and billfolds - *see next story*
- Learning to knit hats and scarves for those in need - *see story below*
- Preparing bagged breakfasts and lunches - [click here to sign up](#)
- Creating holiday cards for the Jewish Relief Agency - [Instructions here.](#)
- Baking cookies and other delicacies - [click here to sign up](#)

You can participate in any or all of these activities. [Click here for detailed information.](#)



Sock it to 'em Belts and Billfolds

Through Sunday, December 6

We are looking for gently used socks, belts, and billfolds for the Bethesda Project and Project Home, plus women's sanitary products for Mercy Hospice. Drop off donations in the lobby of the Temple.

If you order new items from Amazon Smile then BZBI gets a donation; ship to Eileen Dwell & Charles Steinberg, 1919 Chestnut St. Apt 2201, Philadelphia, PA 19103

The attached pictures show what we have already collected including 40 belts, 6 wallets, 30 scarves, 27 hats, 39 pairs of socks and 3 pairs of gloves!





Knitting and Crocheting Night

Monday, November 29, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

On the last Monday of each month, Tikkun Olam invites you to join old and new friends for Zoom knitting and crocheting. This month we knit in support of the Servefor8 project.

No experience is necessary! **Please RSVP** if you are interested, along with your level of knitting experience, and if you are left or right-handed. **Registration for the Zoom class can be found here.**



Candle Lighting in Rittenhouse Square and Pop-up Party

Wednesday, December 1 at 5:15 PM & 6:00 PM

Center City Kehillah is a network of communities representing the diversity of Jewish life in urban Philadelphia. This year, the Kehillah invites you and those you love to light the fourth Hanukkah candle together in Rittenhouse Square. **Details can be found on Facebook.**

In collaboration with BZBI Tikkun Olam, the Kehillah is collecting items needed by the Bethesda Project at the event. Specifically requested are sweatshirts and hoodies, men's wallets and belts, and sports-themed winter hats!

Then, back at BZBI at 6:00 PM Youth & Family invites you to a pop-up Hanukkah party outside the Spruce Street entrance. There will be holiday goody bags, music, hot chocolate, and friends.



Hanukkah Volunteer Appreciation Night

Thursday December 2, 5:30 - 6:30 PM

WITH SPECIAL GUEST PERFORMANCE BY THE CHELM NUDNICKS PLAYERS!

If you volunteered with BZBI in any way this year - ushering, participating in services, donating, organizing events, and in other ways keeping the BZBI community shining bright - then this night is for YOU!

First, help us identify all deserving volunteers (and register for the event) **by nominating someone special.**

Then join the Zoom celebration on the fifth night of Hanukkah in your honor. We will share stories, songs, and light the candles together, while we celebrate our community's spirit of generosity.



ScholarStream Series Three Begins

Tuesday, December 7 at 8:00 PM

ScholarStream lecture series one and two have raised important and thought-provoking questions. Beginning Tuesday, December 7 at 8:00 PM, another important series of lectures begins, focused on the roots of Conservative Judaism.

Speakers for this series will include Chancellor Shuly Rubin Schwartz and Rabbi Gordon Tucker of JTS, plus Rabbi Elliot Dorff of the Ziegler school. [More information and registration links are here.](#)

Be sure to **view entire message** in your browser to see all the news



Men's Club First Meeting: Team Israel Baseball

Order your boxed lunch by Monday, December 6

Join the conversation on Sunday, December 12 at approximately 10:00 AM

Team Israel was the Cinderella baseball team in the Tokyo Olympics this year, as the first Israeli national team to qualify since 1976. BZBI welcomes Peter Kurz, manager and coach of ten Israeli national teams and Assaf Lowengart, shortstop. [Register here](#) and you will be billed for Men's Club dues of \$18 including access to this event.

Falafel and Mac & Cheese boxed lunches (an additional \$18 each) can be ordered by this Thursday, November 25 and picked up before lunch, courtesy of T&K Grassroots Food Truck. [Purchase meals here.](#)



Shabbakti In Person!

Saturday, December 11, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

Dr. Deb Glassman now offers her popular class in-person at BZBI once a month on the second Shabbat of the month. Advance registration is required, with attendance limited to 16 participants to maintain social distancing. The cost is \$10 for BZBI members and \$18 for community members. [Registration is now open](#) and closes when we reach capacity.

News

Save the Date

November 30th

#GIVING TUESDAY

Consider BZBI for Giving Tuesday

Giving Tuesday was launched in 2012 as a day of doing good. Today it's a global movement, and you will likely receive messages from a variety of organizations requesting donations. When you make your Giving Tuesday charitable decisions this year, please [consider donating to BZBI.](#)



"Grab and Gab" Kiddush Sponsors & Volunteers Needed

BZBI is in need of sponsors and volunteers to help us purchase and package Shabbat Kiddush bags. [Contact Shoshana Bannett](#) to volunteer or [contact Lynne Balaban](#) to sponsor.



Early Childhood Education Virtual Tours

The Laurie Wagman Playschool and Abigail R. Cohen Preschool are currently offering tours via Zoom on Tuesdays at 9:30 AM for the 2022-2023 school year. This is an opportunity for you to hear about the program, ask questions, and see classrooms in action. [Sign up for the tour here.](#)

POWER

POWER Committee Listening Campaign

BZBI's POWER Committee has [launched a Listening Campaign](#) to learn about your interests and motivations to engage in justice work. This will lead to an action campaign based on what we hear from the community. [To be a part of this initiative, click here.](#)

Around the Community

Israel Bonds reminds you that Hanukkah is an ideal time to gift Israel Bonds including the new eMazel Tov Bond starting at \$36.

Jewish Genealogical and Archival Society of Greater Philadelphia (JGASGP) has a program on Sunday, December 12 at 1:30 PM with Joel Weintraub speaking on *Here Comes the 1950 U.S. Census!*

ADL In Concert Against Hate is a night of music, community and celebration **with** Pop Music Legends Gloria Estefan and Josh Groban. Through storytelling and song, you'll meet real-life heroes and celebrate their courage and compassion in the face of bigotry and hate.

The America-Italy Society of Philadelphia invites the community to attend the Amerita Chamber Players Concerts Series' 65th Season, with the first concert scheduled for Wednesday December

1, 2021 at 8:00 PM in-person at BZBI.

[For more information on all these events, click here!](#)



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