



Congregation Beth Ohr

Weekly Newsletter

June 26/27, 2020

Yahrzeits

Charles Betesh	6/27
Rachel Antebi	6/28
Erna Caleinar	6/28
Jean Smith King	6/28
Freda Zalman	6/28
Michael Forrest Wishnia	6/29
Albert Herman	6/29
Jennie Birnbaum	6/29
Benjamin Knepper	6/29
Beatrice Shander	6/29
Jack Sofan	6/29
Michael Wishnia	6/29
Natalie Joan Chancy	6/29
Fortune Betesh	6/30
Abraham Cederbaum	6/30
Karolyne Freud	6/30
Ludwig Goetz	6/30
Estelle Goldberg	6/30
Abby Klein	6/30
Matty Roland	6/30
Shari Widmayer	6/30
Edith Zalma	6/30
Shirley Dondes	7/1
Judith Druckman	7/1
Wolf Goldhecht	7/1
Alice Hoerd Pfeifer	7/1
Alex Waranch	7/1
Benjamin Tenenbaum	7/2
Benjamin Rubin	7/2
Joseph Bienenfeld	7/2
Nathan Polovsky	7/2
Lillian Shifrinson	7/3

July Yahrzeits

The actual date that the Yahrzeit is observed is to the right of the name. It is customary to light a memorial candle on the eve of this date and to give tzedakah in memory of the Yahrzeit. One should recite the Mourner's Kaddish at services the evening before as well as the day of the Yahrzeit. Please call Phyllis in the Synagogue office, or at home if the office is still closed, if you need information about the schedule of worship. The name of your departed will be read at the Friday evening and Shabbat morning services (or will be held virtually because of the coronavirus) the week before the Yahrzeit date which is represented by the dates in the columns that are bold and underlined.

July 3/4

Lillian Shifrinson	7/4
Susan F. Ginsberg	7/5
Barbara Hammer	7/5
Susan Kosser	7/5
Abraham Orenstein	7/5
Preston Pellat	7/5
Reah Silverberg	7/5
Jeanette Goldman	7/6
Lena Kornberg	7/6
Edythe Buckberg	7/7
Steven Brown Honig	7/7
Bennett Appel	7/8
Rose Gordon	7/8
Fannie Greenspan	7/8
Sally Steuer	7/8
Robert Davis	7/9
Michael Fischer	7/9
Bruce Steinklein	7/9
Ida Waranch	7/9
Irene Blumenthal	7/10
Sarah Levenstein	7/10
Shirley Sass	7/10
Theodore Silverman	7/10
Irving Trechak	7/10

July 10/11

Sylvia Benish	7/11
Marjorie Burstein Smith	7/11
Nancy Braunsberg	7/11
Rose Friedman	7/11
Ida H. Meyers	7/11
Max Morgenstein	7/11
Gilbert Rosen	7/11
Dora Ross	7/11
Nathan Seiden	7/11
Max Morgenstein	7/11
Frank Datkowitz	7/12
Emanuel Frankel	7/12
Harriet Saks	7/12
Lisette Bercovicic	7/13
Emanuel Deitz	7/13
Mitchell Feinman	7/13
Rohoda Goetz	7/13
Irene Kleiman	7/13
David Kraus	7/13
Bertha Kanter	7/14
Simon Lionheart	7/14
Elizabeth Nurick	7/14
Joan Pekor Nover	7/14
Lillian Feld	7/15
Minna Freedman	7/15
Sylvia Pulchin	7/15
Esther Betesh	7/16
Benjamin Cohen	7/16

July 10/11 (Cont'd.)

Sylvia Pulchin	7/15
Esther Betesh	7/16
Steven Engberg	7/16
Max Rubrum	7/16
Beatrice Baum	7/17
Lyle Damon Rosen	7/17
Charles Sheffler	7/17
Bella Zavlek	7/17

July 17/18

Steven Helman	7/18
Julius Hoffman	7/18
Anne Leibowitz	7/18
Morris Lustgarten	7/18
Max Kaufman	7/19
Sam Speert	7/19
Murray Schaeffer	7/20
Irving Birnbaum	7/21
Jacqueline Robinson	7/21
Abraham J. Paley	7/22
Arlette Wilpon	7/22
Samuel Nussenbaum	7/24
Harry Plaut	7/24
Benjamin Rabinowitz	7/24
Raye Smith	7/24

July 24/25

Lillian Silver	7/25
Lester Gochberg	7/26
Sally Kestenberg	7/27
Cecil Mautner	7/27
Jacquelyn Solomon	7/27
Puline Cheney	7/29
Jacob Lowenthal	7/29
Victor Sass	7/29
Charles Dondes	7/30
Nathan Krutoy	7/30
Evelyn Wallace	7/30
Louis Boshak	7/31
Bertha Fuerth	7/31
Irving Pearlsein	7/31

July 31/August 1

Stephen Haft	8/1
Carrie Knepper	8/1
Evelyn Lopatkin	8/1
Max Balaban	8/2
Anne Laddin	8/2
Saul Nemet	8/2
Maurice Halert	8/3
Clara Gray	8/3
Martin Donenfeld	8/4
Sally Schwartz	8/4
Jerry Baron	8/5
Rubin Bloness	8/6
Martin Faffer	8/6
Louis Fوسفeld	8/6
Harry Levy	8/6
Bonnie Robbins	8/6
George Zwanziger	8/7

Yahrzeit Memorial Fund

We honor the memories of our loved ones whose Yahrzeits occurred during the months of **May and June**. We acknowledge the following for their contributions to the Yahrzeit Memorial Fund:

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Robert Davis, Bennet Appel
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Max Rubrum & Jacob Lowenthal
Clara Gray
Eva Rosenfeld
Seymour H. Golden
Rose Gordon
Stephen Honig
Rose Friedman
Abraham Orenstein
Eleanor Perlman
Lyle Damon Rosen
Harriet Saks
Sally Schwartz
Pauline Salstein, Meyer Salstein, Larry
Kestenberg, Sally & Irving Kestenberg
Wolf Goldhecht
Michael Wishnia
Harry Plaut

Beth Ohr Cemetery

Congregation Beth Ohr owns and operates a cemetery which is located on Ernston Road in Sayreville. The cemetery is a non-profit entity using existing funds and fundraising as its source of operating revenues. Membership in Beth Ohr entitles each congregant to one individual plot which must be reserved at a cost of \$50. All other costs such as perpetual care, administrative fee, funeral, plot opening, headstone, etc. are borne by the family of the deceased. Please call Phyllis Greenberg in the office at 732-257-1523 or, if the office is still closed, at 732-939-2720 for further details.

Dear Congregant:

- In order to attend the Zoom Gala the cost will be \$75 per person cash or ads (personal or outside business ads).
- Each attendee will receive a free meal from Classical Caterers (entree only).
- Meals will be distributed from the **synagogue** ,Sunday July 26th. If you are unable to pick up your meal at the synagogue please contact us to see if other arrangements can be made.
- For \$36 you can add your name to a Memorial Page for those we have lost this past year.

Below you will find an invitation, a response form and a menu.

If you have any questions please contact:

Allan Benish
 (732) 236-5643
abenish@aol.com

or Allen Skupp
 (732) 895-4111
aiskupp@gmail.com

Congregation Beth Ohr
Cordially Invites You to a
Zoom Gala Dinner
Sunday, July 26th, 2020
At 6:00PM
In The Comfort Of Your Home
Couvert \$75 per person, RSVP by July17, 2020
Dress: Casual
Allan Benish, (732) 236-5643, abenish@aol.com
Allen Skupp, (732) 895-4111, aiskupp@gmail.com

Please respond by July 17, 2020

M_____

_____Accepts with pleasure

Number of people attending_____

Send check to:

Allan Benish
 114 Avignon Rd
 Monroe Township, NJ 08831

_____Declines with regret

Of free dinners requested:

Fish___Chicken___Beef___Pasta___

- Teriyaki Glazed Salmon, over Vegetable Fried Rice
- French Cut Chicken with Marsala Sauce, with Herb Rice and Sautéed Spinach
- Pulled BBQ Brisket, over Mashed Potatoes and Grilled Vegetables
- Pasta Primavera

**Congregation Beth Ohr
Virtual Gala Event and Journal
"Remembering the Past and Looking to the Future"**

**WHAT:
MAJOR FUNDRAISER**
**WHEN:
SUNDAY JULY 26TH AT 6:00 PM**
**WHERE:
IN THE COMFORT OF YOUR
HOME WITH ZOOM**

Remembering those
We Lost this Year
Seymour Golden
Sue Goldenberg
Marilyn Karlstein
Jack Mishkin
Herman Schneider
Joyce Silberstein
Stu Simon
Paul Singer

Journal Ad prices - 8½" x 11" page size.
When submitting your camera ready ads please allow for margins.
Ads can be black and white or in color. Either PDF or JPG formats are acceptable.
The Journal will be a Virtual journal, but any printed copies will be in black and white.

Gold supporter	\$1,000.00
Silver supporter	\$750.00
Full page	\$500.00
Half page (8½ x 5½)	\$275.00
Quarter page (4¼ x 5½)	\$150.00
Business card	\$ 75.00
Congratulatory personal mention	\$ 36.00
In memorium listing	\$ 36.00
Alumni page message	\$ 36.00
Family Jewels (list your children and grandchildren) per name	\$ 18.00

YES! Enclosed is my tax deductible contribution to Congregation Beth Ohr of \$ _____ for a _____ (specify size) ad in the souvenir journal. Ad copy is attached. (Please attach camera ready copy, if available.) (NOTE: DO NOT STAPLE ads or business cards to this form)

Name _____
Co. Name _____
Tel _____ Email _____
Address _____
City _____ ST _____ Zip _____
Ad solicited by _____

Ad deadline July 12, 2020
Send your ad today to
Beth Ohr Journal Ad Committee
c/o Allan Benish
114 Avignon Road
Monroe Township, NJ 08831
Tel: 609.426.8727 Email: abenish@aol.com

Men's Club News

There is not much Men's Club news. The big news is that we have a Zoom minyan every Sunday. Please try to attend. Since there's nothing exciting happening, I will ramble a little.

I was asked to review an ethics textbook, and the book began with 10 ethics questions. I decided to answer them and see how I did. I got 5 out of 10 wrong! I felt the author was totally off-base and I wrote and told him. I proceeded to give him my "right" answers. We have since become "friends" via e-mail. So that you can judge for yourself, here are two questions I got "wrong". Answer them and e-mail me your answers. I'll tell you how you did next week and what the author's and my answers were. E-mail me at emcpal@aol.com. The author also graded the responses.

3. You have discovered through a reliable third party that your best friend is cheating on his wife. Your wife asks whether you know anything about it after seeing your friend with another woman at a restaurant. What would you do?

- A) Confide in her that the cheating is going on.
- B) Deny you know anything about it,
- C) Tell her your friend hasn't said anything to you about it.

4. Your boss comes on to you at work. He constantly asks about your dating life and if you're seeing anyone. He regularly stares at you. His behavior makes you feel uncomfortable. But, you are up for a promotion and he has the final say. What would you do?

- A) Ignore it, at least until you get the promotion.
- B) Tell him his behavior is unwanted and you feel uncomfortable.
- C) Inform the Human Resources Department.

Photo of the Week

Photo from a prior Sunday. If you have a photo you want to share, email it to emcpa1@aol.com.



Shabbat Jun 27, 2020. **One Minute Dvar Torah** prepared by Ed Mendlowitz.

These weekly Dvar Torahs have been shortened and renamed back to my original name.

Korach

Numbers 16:1-18:32

Parsha name

Korach: Named for the leader of the rebellion, an unfortunate event and a supposedly wicked person. However, his underlying reasons were noble – He wanted to be the High Priest; to stand before G-d and serve Him; and he felt he would do a better job than Aaron and Moses. He was not corrupt in his ideology, only his method. The parsha's name does him honor for his deep spirituality. The parsha itself only tells us of his faults.

Torah portion summary and selection

This parsha has the last complaining of the journey. G-d finally puts an end to it with the punishment for Korach for his rebellion and Dathan and Abiram for theirs. Aaron is firmly established as G-d's choice for High Priest. The Pidyon Haben ceremony for redeeming the first-born and tithing is described in the parsha.

Now Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of
Kohath, the son of Levi...took men;

Numbers 16:1

"Took men" is translated also as "took" and as "separated himself." Whom did he take? And how? He took them to his side with words, making himself out to be a wise person. And if he was so wise, why did he act so foolishly against Moses and Aaron? Korah bore great anger (as well as envy and greed) against Moses because Moses chose Korah's younger brother to be the leader of the Kohathites, and he planned and waited until the time was ripe for rebellion. This time was right after the "decree of death" to everyone over age 20 after the spy incident. Korah also helped the men joining him by getting them drunk so their senses would be dulled. Korah also had a vision that the great judge and prophet Samuel would be descended from him so he thought he would prevail and take over the role and power of the High Priest. "Separate himself" refers to Korah's intention of usurping the power for himself even as he spoke of unity, equality and the lack of need for a "leader".

The following fresco painted in 1480-1482, *The Punishment of Korah and the Stoning of Moses and Aaron* by Sandro Botticelli is in the Sistine Chapel. A restored depiction of the Arch of Constantine is shown in the center.



MEN'S CLUB
CONGREGATION BETH OHR
70 ROUTE 516 (P. O. BOX 206)
OLD BRIDGE, NJ 08857

2019/2020 5780 DUES INVOICE

MEMBERSHIP DUES: \$36.00

If you are 65 or older AND retired, you are not required to pay the full \$36.00 dues. A minimum of \$18.00 is required to cover your mandatory membership in our national organization, The Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs.

Donations in lieu of dues are always appreciated.

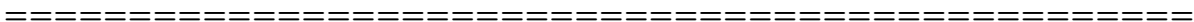
For upcoming events look at schedule in newsletter.

Program ideas are always welcome.

If you are **not** receiving the weekly Men's Club e-mail from Ed



PLEASE PUT YOUR E-MAIL BELOW SO THAT YOU CAN
RECEIVE NOTICES OF MEN'S CLUB ACTIVITIES



MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:

MEN'S CLUB, CONGREGATION BETH OHR

PUT IN MEN'S CLUB MAILBOX AT THE TEMPLE or

MAIL TO: Ken Deitz,

Men's Club Congregation Beth Ohr

P.O. Box 206, Old Bridge, NJ 08857 (732-780-3665)

DAYTIMERS' NEWS

THURSDAY, JULY 2, LET'S CHAT

As we continue to confront the challenges of Covid-19, it is our hope that you and your loved ones are safe and healthy. No one could predict how dramatically life would change in the past 3 months.

On Thursday, July 2, at 11:00AM, we will have a virtual chat via Zoom. Instructions will be forwarded via e-mail.

Please RSVP and provide an e-mail address to Linda and Allen ([609-642-8182](tel:609-642-8182) or aiskupp@gmail.com); or Lee and Ira ([732-679-2652](tel:732-679-2652) or id1112@aol.com)

By Sunday, June 28.

In addition, if you would like to say hello or have any virtual program ideas, please contact us as per above.

SISTERHOOD NEWS

As previously announced, Linda Skupp was selected as the recipient of the Torah Fund Benefactor Award for 2020. The April luncheon honoring Linda was cancelled due to the pandemic, and we plan to honor Linda in the spring of 2022. The 2020-2021 officers are:

President Harriet Rabinowitz

Treasurer Ronnie Mendlowitz

Membership Co-Vice Presidents Roberta Karpel & Edna Yourman

Fundraising Co-Vice Presidents Liz Aroyo & Ilene Gray

Programming Vice President Lisa Mason

Corresponding Secretary Marion Falkowitz

Recording Secretary Sharen Silverman

Financial Secretary Estee Spiegel

If you are a member of Sisterhood and interested in joining a committee, please contact me at harriet.rabinowi@gmail.com. If you are not a member of Sisterhood and interested in joining, please contact me.

Shalom and Stay Healthy,
Harriet Rabinowitz, Sisterhood President

SISTERHOOD CONGREGATION BETH OHR CALENDAR PERSONALS

Dear Members:

Sisterhood is once again planning to make up our Jewish Calendar for the year 5780-5781 (2020-2021). There will be a place on the calendar for personal dates. Your cost will be \$2.50 for each birthday, anniversary, wedding and yahrzeit. Personals will be listed on each month's page. Full donor credit will be given for these contributions.

In addition to the above, for a donation of \$10 your name (or those of your friends and relatives) can be listed as a patron. There will be full donor credit for each \$10 patron obtained by a Sisterhood member.

We need the support of the entire congregation to make this as successful a year as last year. Please enclose your check payable to: Sisterhood Congregation Beth Ohr with your imprint order and mail to Linda Garfinkel, c/o Congregation Beth Ohr, P. O. Box 206, Route 516, Old Bridge, N.J. 08857.

Thank you for your support. DEADLINE FOR ORDERS IS JULY 15, 2020.

Linda Garfinkel

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Birthdays _____
(\$2.50 each)

Anniversaries _____
(\$2.50 each)

Yahrzeits
List name, English month, _____
Day & Year
(\$2.50 each) _____

Weddings _____
(\$2.50 each)

Patrons _____
(\$10.00 each)

Sisterhood closes its books on 6/30.

Therefore, bills have been sent.

Please make checks payable to:

Sisterhood Beth Ohr

Please mail checks directly to me and not to the synagogue:

**Paula Yourman
405 Harrier Drive
Monroe Twp., NJ 08831**

If you don't receive a bill by the end of next week, that means you do not owe any money at this time. You will not lose your existing donor credits, and whatever you will earn now will be added on to your balance.

Thanks,
Paula
609-409-0346

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**Mazel Tov to all our congregants
Celebrating birthdays and anniversaries
The week of June 27 through July 3**



Birthdays

Ilene Gray	6/28
Sheila Reinstein	6/29
Ronnie Rosenzweig	6/30
Phyllis Greenberg	7/3

Anniversaries

Arlene & Nelson Silver	6/26
Zelie & Mel Prussack	6/30

Jewish Family Service of Middlesex County

JFS Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Updates

Questions, concerns, or suspicion of fraud? Call the JFS Senior Medicare Patrol at 732.777.1940 or e-mail CharlesC@jfsmiddlesex.org Learn more by visiting the [NJ SMP website](#).

Feeding families takes a village

We knew that JFS would provide thousands of meals and bags of groceries to families this year. We knew aging Holocaust survivors would rely more on JFS for adequate nutrition. We knew that JFS would be a community staple in the fight against hunger.

What we didn't know was that a global pandemic would threaten lives and ravage the economy. We didn't know that unemployment in our county would soar to 14%. We didn't know that schools would close, often leaving kids without food.

We've never seen our kosher food pantry shelves empty so quickly. Keeping our pantries stocked has been an ongoing challenge, but with your continued support we've been successful. JFS has never turned anyone away without food, and we plan to keep it that way. If you are able to make a donation, please visit [our website](#) today.

Thank you!

**BOTH OF THE ABOVE ARTICLES WERE TAKEN FROM THE
JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY WEEKLY JOURNAL**



Rosh Chodesh Tammuz

Tammuz is the fourth of the 12 months of the Jewish calendar. The month of Tammuz begins the “season” of the summer. The three months of this season are Tammuz, Av and Elul. Rosh Chodesh Tammuz was on Tuesday, June 23, 2020.

Meaning and Rituals in Tammuz

The following ritual was submitted by Nechama Lurie. She belongs to a Well Circle outside of Detroit.



17th of Tammuz

The 17th of Tammuz is an important day for Hebrew calendar geeks. It marks the day the Jerusalem walls were breached by the Romans, kicking off a period of mourning which culminates in the destruction of both Temples in the upcoming month, on the 9th of Av. But back to the 17th of Tammuz. On this day, centuries earlier, while wandering in the desert, Moses smashes the Tablets of the Ten Commandments after descending from Mount Sinai to witness the Israelites worshipping a Golden Calf. This day is a rather destructive day, and Jews the world over commemorate this moment with a fast (observed from dawn on the 17th of Tammuz until the sun goes down on the 18th of Tammuz).

Whether you fast on this day or not, you’re invited to pay specific attention to the natural human inclination to lose one’s faith and get distracted by anger.

Rosh Chodesh: a Holiday Specially for Jewish Women

Because the Israelite women didn’t participate in the sin of building the Golden Calf (in spite of the men’s demands that the women donate their gold jewelry to construct the bovine idol, the women refused), the great commentator Rashi declared Rosh Chodesh a holiday specifically for Jewish women.

(Rashi is a mega important, 11th century Jewish thinker and commentator on the Torah. So much of modern Jewish thought comes from him. He should really have a hashtag — #WWRS - What Would Rashi Say?)

For this, the Divine gifted Jewish women Rosh Chodesh, an extra time of rest and study each month. It just so happened this holiday coincided with our traditional menstruating time. (But let’s be real; there are no coincidences.)

Where Did We Get the Name Tammuz?

The Hebrew names for the Jewish months originated in Babylon during the 70-year exile (after the destruction of the First Temple in 586 B.C.E.). “Tammuz” was actually the name of a Babylonian idol and deity. Maimonides, aka the Rambam, tells us that Tammuz was a false prophet who, according to ancient Mesopotamian lore, was crowned by the gods and flies away following his tragic death.

How sacrilegious to then attribute one of Hebrew months to an icon that contradicts the very core of Judaism’s monotheistic beliefs, right? But actually, not really; Judaism is all about striving towards more light and learning from our mistakes. The Israelites indeed struggled to adhere to the prohibition against idol worship as they wandered. Naming this month after a false idol is a reminder of past mistakes and a commemoration to overcoming them.

Classical Caterers

In these difficult times Classical Caterers would like to offer freshly made kosher meals and kosher meats.



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~The Jewish Center of Princeton

Regular: Thursday, between 11am and 1pm

~Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael, Springfield NJ

Regular: Thursday, between 12pm and 2pm

To order go : <https://classical.catertogo.com>

Classical Caterers

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