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Rabbi's Reflections

Celebrating B'nai Mitzvah

BY RABBI LINA ZERBARINI



Once upon a time, a child would go to synagogue before school on a Monday or Thursday morning sometime around his thirteenth birthday. He would be called to the Torah and would recite the blessings before and after the reading. After the service, there might be some schnapps, maybe some herring, some cake, and then everyone would head off to school and work. There might not have been any women, including the boy's mother, present at all. And that would be how a boy marked becoming a bar mitzvah.

Yes, one *becomes* a bar/bat mitzvah; one *is* a bar/bat mitzvah. *Bar/bat* means son/daughter; *b'nai* means children. *B'nai mitzvah* are children of the mitzvot – those who are connected, related, and responsible to the obligations and expectations of the Jewish community. People become b'nai mitzvah simply by coming of age. For the rabbis, the signs of puberty were all that was needed. Eventually, we simply chose one age for everyone: traditionally, 12 for girls and 13 for

boys; in today's egalitarian communities, most celebrate at 13.

Another change growing from gender equality is what we call the child coming of age. As mentioned, *bar* and *bat* mean son and daughter, and pigeonhole a child into a gendered identification. In an egalitarian community, are the responsibilities any different for a bat mitzvah than for a bar mitzvah? Do men and women have different ethical or ritual obligations? In communities where the answer to these questions is no, as in ours, does it make sense to call this rite of passage by a gendered term? And in a time when awareness of the multiplicity of gender expression and identification is broadening, we may not want to force a young person to pick an either-or category.



In response, Jewish communities are developing new terminology. Some have imported the term *brit* [covenant], and say *brit mitzvah*, as in the covenant of obligation. Others shorten *bar/bat/b'nai* to *b*, and talk about *b. mitzvah*. Perhaps the

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One link, One Meeting ID#, for MOST KSS meetings!

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Celebrating B'nai Mitzvah

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most common is the use of the plural, *b'nai*, to serve as singular as well, as many people today are choosing to use the pronoun “they” to indicate a non-binary identity, or a desire to not have to choose a gender box. So you might see us using the phrase “*b'nai mitzvah*” to refer to an individual – it’s not a typo. Currently, we are following the lead of our students and allowing them to use the term they prefer.

Colloquially, when we say that someone is having a *b'nai mitzvah*, we are referring to the service at which the young person takes roles in the service that are reserved for adults: taking an *aliyah* (saying the blessings over the reading of the Torah), reading from the Torah scroll, leading parts of the service, and teaching the community. It has been a few years since we had such an event at Kehillath Shalom; we are blessed to celebrate three such moments this spring.

In COVID time, these observances will be both different and similar: families and some guests will gather in-person, while the congregation and other guests will join by Zoom (at our usual link). But our students will teach, take part in the service, and contribute to our community. I hope that you will make an effort to support them

and welcome them into the community of adult Jews by your presence. We look forward to gathering in person later in the summer to celebrate our new *b'nai mitzvah*.

Read on in the newsletter this month and next to learn about our students, what they care about, and consider celebrating them with *tzedakah* contributions to their chosen organizations. And join me in sharing the blessing of the Talmud (adapted by Danny Siegel) with them:

*May you live to see your world fulfilled,
May your destiny be for worlds still to come,
And may you trust in generations past and
yet to be.*

*May your heart be filled with intuition
and your words be filled with insight.
May songs of praise ever be upon your tongue
and your vision be on a straight path before you.
May your eyes shine with the light of holy words
and your face reflect the brightness of
the heavens.*

*May your lips speak wisdom
and your fulfillment be in righteousness
even as you ever yearn to hear the words
of the Holy Ancient One of Old.*

Talmud Berachot 17a

MEET THE BAR MITZVAH: TREVOR STURZA

My name is Trevor Sturza. I am in 7th grade at Babylon Junior/Senior High. My favorite food is chicken. Some of my hobbies are collecting Funko Pops, running track and playing the video game, Minecraft. A few interesting facts about me are that I am an introvert and extrovert, I have more than ten medals from track meets and I love Funko Pops.

For my Mitzvah Project I am collecting and donating books for the Torah School classroom and [Book Fairies](#). This is important to me because all children should have lots of books to read. I will be donating PJ Library Books to Torah School so the kids can learn about Jewish holidays and stories. I want to support Book Fairies to give books to schools that cannot afford to buy books for their classrooms. I hope the Congregation will donate children’s books too. Please call my mom, Jen, at 516-384-4918, if you would like to donate.



Trevor’s Bar Mitzvah will be on Saturday, May 29, at 10 am, with his family and friends attending in person.

We encourage all KSS members to celebrate with and support Trevor and his family by attending the services on Zoom, at the usual link.

Faces of Israel: *Naftali Aklum: Black, Jewish, and Ethiopian*

Have you ever been to an Israeli home or school — in Israel? Do you know what an ordinary Israeli apartment, supermarket or playground looks like? Many of us know Israelis living in the United States and have traveled to Israel as tourists. But how many American Jews have spent time with an Israeli family in Israel? Unfortunately, very few of us have enjoyed this kind of intimacy.

The Israel and Jewish Affairs Committee is presenting a series we call “Faces of Israel,” to provide you with opportunities to meet ordinary Israelis via our synagogue Zoom.

Sunday, May 2, at 12 noon, we will begin by meeting Naftali Aklum, an Ethiopian Israeli. His presentation, *Naftali Aklum: Black, Jewish and Israeli*, will describe the experiences



Naftali Aklum

shaping his identity as a proud, Black Jew. These include the extraordinary history of Ethiopian Jewish people, stewards of Judaism and its oral traditions for 4000 years. In addition, he will talk about his own childhood in Beer Sheva, his service in the Israeli Defense Forces, and the influence of his older brother, Ferede, the Mossad agent who “opened the gates” between Sudan and Israel for Ethiopian Jewry. (This story is recounted in the book, *The Power of One*, and the movie, *The Dead Sea Diving Resort*. You can explore Naftali’s website, <http://www.jewsofethiopia.com>).

Non-members are welcome, but must register with Judy Davis at jdavis4727@gmail.com

We look forward to bringing more “Faces of Israel” to Kehillath Shalom in the future. ❖

Kehillath Shalom Synagogue

**Rosh Chodesh:
Welcoming the New Month of Sivan
May 12@7:30 pm**

The 6th of Sivan is Shavuot, the holiday of Torah. One of the most important wisdom teachings of the day is the importance of relationship, especially friendship. We tell the story of Ruth and Naomi, daughter- and mother-in-law, and share the stories of our own friendships.

Come, and bring a friend!

Wednesday, May 12, @7:30 pm, on Zoom.

SHABBAT SERVICES

SATURDAY, MAY 1

Torah Study 10 am

No scheduled Shabbat service

Torah Portion: *Emor, Leviticus 21:1–24:32*

Instructions for the priests. Rules re sacred donations. Fixing the times, observations, and offerings for sacred occasions. “An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.”

FRIDAY, MAY 7

Soup Shabbat and Candlelighting 6:30 pm

SATURDAY, MAY 8

Shabbat Service 10 am

Israel Forum 11:15 am

Torah Portion: *Behar-Bechukotai, Leviticus 25:1–27:34*

The use of property; resting the land every seventh year; keeping, redeeming, and freeing slaves. The Commandments to not make idols and to keep the Sabbath are discussed.

God tells the people of the good things that will happen if they do, and the bad things that will happen if they don't keep the Commandments. Determining the monetary value of gifts offered to God.

FRIDAY, MAY 14

Candlelighting 6:30 pm

SATURDAY, MAY 15

Torah Study 10 am

Meditation Service 11:15 am

Torah Portion: *Bemidbar, Numbers 1:1–4:20*

God tells Moses to take a census to determine how many men over the age of 20 can serve as warriors. Over 600,000 are counted, not including the Levites, who are placed in charge of the Tabernacle.

FRIDAY, MAY 21

Candlelighting 6:30 pm

SATURDAY, MAY 22

Torah Study 10 am

Shabbat Service 11:15 am

Torah Portion: *Naso, Numbers 4:21–7:89*

God gives Moses instructions to take a census of the Gershonites and Merarites. Aaron is to inform them of their duties to the Tent of Meeting. Moses is to remove any “unclean” members of the camp. God tells Moses the punishments for violations of certain laws. Finally, Moses and Aaron are given a prayer to bless the Israelites.

FRIDAY, MAY 28

Candlelighting 6:30 pm

SATURDAY, MAY 29

Shabbat Service 10 am

Bar Mitzvah of Trevor Sturza

Torah Portion: *Beha'alotcha, Numbers 8:1–12:16*

God tells Moses to set the Levites apart. The people begin to voice discontent and Moses tires of the burden of leadership. God sends quail to satisfy the people, but then sends a plague for their greed. ❖

Zoom Quick Reference Schedule

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Morning Gathering		8 am	8 am	8 am	8 am	
Torah Study & Shabbat Service						10 am
Candlelighting					6:30 pm	
Lunch & Learn				12:30 pm		

Zoom Meeting ID for all events 882 6522 6225, Password 046 425

bagels & books

Prior to reading our April book, Talia Carner's *The Third Daughter*, most of us had never even heard of its subject: the sexual enslavement of thousands of Jewish girls and women, from the late 19th century almost into our own lifetimes. The lively discussion touched on how little most of us know about the conditions in which our immigrant ancestors lived before coming here, as well as the opportunities, or lack thereof, for women. Although there was general agreement that the literary qualities of the book left something to be desired, we felt it was, all things considered, a worthwhile read.

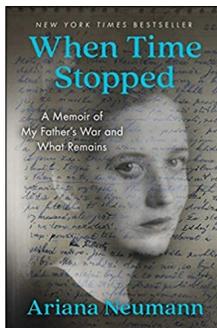
Our book for May 16 is *When Time Stopped: A Memoir of My Father's War and What Remains*, by Ariana Neumann.

When Neumann's father died, he left her a box of documents and memorabilia. She had known nothing of his life in Europe, but the contents of the box led her to uncover a story that might have been fiction, with hairpin plot twists, daredevil acts of love, and unexpected moments of humor in dark times. Her painstaking research could have become a historical novel. Instead she has written a superb family memoir. Her account of one Jewish-Czech family's race to outwit the Nazis makes for thrilling reading. But just as important is her lucid investigation of the nature of memory, identity and remembrance.

For the rest of the year, we have scheduled:

June 13 – *The Guest Book*, by Sarah Blake

Until further notice, we will be Zooming on Barbara Kremen's account. Bring your own bagel, lox, and coffee, or whatever Sunday morning treat you'd like and please join us for any books that interest you. ❖



A MOTHER'S DAY FOOD DRIVE

“Without sustenance, there is no Torah.” *Pirkei Avot*, 3:21

With the arrival of Spring and the blooming of earth all around us, it may be hard to think about those in our community who continue to suffer from food insecurity. But I am assured by those who operate the food pantries that there are so many in need.

To once again rise and respond, we're holding another food drive — this time to honor all the mothers who continue to nurture their families. The food drive will begin the week following Mother's Day, **Monday May 10th and run through Sunday, May 16**, culminating with our outdoor Shavuot celebration in the parking lot of Kehillath Shalom Synagogue (masks and social distancing required).

As we did for the past drive, please leave your donations — no glass containers or fresh produce — on the porch of the synagogue between the hours of 10:00 am and 5:00 pm. If you would like to donate but are unable to come to the shul to do so, please call Barbara Heller at 516-671-9571, and we'll make arrangements to have someone come to you. All food will once again be given to the food banks at St. Hugh of Lincoln and Helping Hands Rescue Mission.

We at Kehillath Shalom have always demonstrated the fullness of our heart. Let us share what we can. ❖



Update: KSS Committee for Racial Justice

Our Committee is focusing on work within our congregational community and within our larger Huntington community. Here's what we did this month and are planning for next:

CRJ MOVIE NIGHT

Wednesday, May 19, 7:30 pm

Back by popular demand, the Committee for Racial Justice will sponsor a second congregational Movie Night: on Wednesday, May 19, we will discuss director Regina King's first feature film, *One Night in Miami*. It has received multiple Academy Award and Golden Globe nominations and awards including best director, best supporting actor (Leslie Odom Jr), best adapted screenplay, and best song. It relates the story of the time Muhammed Ali, Sam Cooke, Malcolm X, and Jim Brown spent in a Miami hotel room during the tumultuous Civil Rights era. Watch the movie, streaming on Amazon Prime, in the comfort of your own home, pop your own popcorn, and join us – virtually, of course – for a spirited discussion of sports, music, politics, race, and power in American life.



COMMUNITY WORK

Huntington Chapter of the NAACP

Several members of our committee attended the monthly meeting of NAACP – Huntington Chapter, which is celebrating its 42nd anniversary this year. We were welcomed most warmly. Rabbi Lina was invited to give the invocation, and spoke of our liberation from Egypt and our walk together toward Sinai.

What did we learn?

Some of us send our children off to school in the morning, or on errands to the store by saying: "If you are stopped by the police, do not resist. Take note if you can – mentally, so no one notices – of the officer's badge number and license plate (the first three letters may be sufficient), the officer's physical description, time and date.

Some of us tell our children, if they are arrested, to say nothing except, "I would like a lawyer, please," or, "Here is my mother's phone number." We tell them to accept nothing from police officers, not even a glass of water. We tell them, "Wait until your parents, guardian, or an attorney shows up."

Some of us say, "Have a good day; learn all you can."

The chapter has many committees that are eager for members: education, criminal justice, voting rights, housing, economic development. If you have a few hours a month and wish to become involved, let us know. Or attend the next general meeting: Thursday May 20, at 7 pm. The Zoom link is on the NAACP website: <https://www.naacphuntington.org/meetings-and-events>

AND ON THE NATIONAL FRONT: BREAKING NEWS

Washington: A House panel advanced a decades-long effort to pay reparations to the descendants of slaves by approving legislation that would create a commission to study the issue. It's the first time the House Judiciary Committee has acted on the legislation.

Have a good month, and see you at the movies. ❖

**Without Sustenance,
There is no Torah.**
Pirkei Avot 3:21

It's Food Drive Time
Again!
May 10 - 16



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Graduation 2021/5781

The president, faculty and board of governors of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College invite you to virtually attend the

FORTY-NINTH GRADUATION CEREMONY
הטקס המ"ט להתרת הוראה

Sunday, May 23, 2021
י"ב בסיון תשפ"א
2 p.m. EDT

Watch the livestreaming ceremony at
RRCGRADUATION.ORG

YOM HA'ATZMAUT: ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY, CELEBRATING ISRAEL'S 73RD BIRTHDAY

BY DALIA ROSENTHAL

Israel's Independence Day is celebrated on the fifth day of the month of Iyar, which is the Hebrew date of the formal establishment of the State of Israel, when members of the "provisional government" read and signed a [Declaration of Independence](#) in Tel Aviv. The Hebrew date corresponds to May 14, 1948.

Most of the Jewish communities in the Western world have incorporated this modern holiday into their calendars. In the State of Israel, it is a formal holiday, so almost everyone has the day off.

Yom Ha'atzmaut in Israel is always preceded by Yom Hazikaron, Israel's Memorial Day for the fallen soldiers. The message of linking these two days is clear: Israelis owe their independence — the very existence of the state — to the soldiers who sacrificed their lives for it.

The official "switch" from Yom Hazikaron to Yom Ha'atzmaut takes place a few minutes after sundown, with a ceremony on Mount Herzl in Jerusalem in which the flag is raised from half-staff for Yom HaZikaron to the top of the pole. The President of Israel delivers a speech of congratulations, and soldiers representing the Army, Navy, and Air Force parade with their flags. The evening parade is followed by a torch-lighting (*hadlakat masuot*) ceremony, which marks the country's achievements in all spheres of life.

Other than the official ceremonies, Israelis celebrate Yom Ha'atzmaut in a variety of ways. In the cities, the nighttime festivities may be found on the main streets.

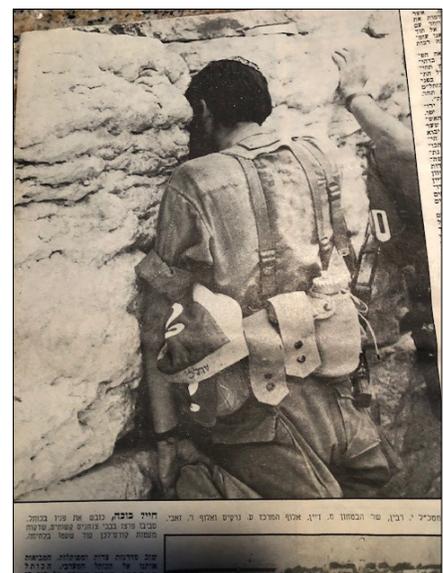
Crowds will gather to watch public shows offered for free by the municipalities and the government. Many spend the night dancing Israeli folk dances or singing Israeli songs. During the daytime thousands of Israeli families go out on hikes and picnics.

Army camps are open for civilians to visit and to display the recent technological achievements of the Israeli Defense Forces. Yom Ha'atzmaut concludes with the ceremony awarding the "Israel Prizes," recognizing individual Israelis for their unique contributions to the country's culture, science, arts, and humanities.

For American Jews, celebrating Yom Ha'atzmaut has been a way to express solidarity with the State of Israel and to strengthen their alliance with it. In many communities, Jewish organizations and synagogues of different ideologies and denominations cooperate in forming a common celebration.

In many North American congregations, the joint public celebration often is augmented by a religious service. In some cases, this occurs on the Shabbat closest to Yom Ha'atzmaut and consists of additional readings added to the service and, usually, the singing of *Hatikvah*.

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Israeli News Magazine, 1967: 1) Arrival at the wall; shofar blower announcing victory; 2) Paratroopers resting at the Wall — a day that will be remembered for a lifetime; 3) Crying soldier burying his face in the Wall minutes after the paratroopers have landed

YOM HA'ATZMAUT: ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY, CELEBRATING ISRAEL'S 73RD BIRTHDAY

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I remember what it was like growing up during the British Mandate as a young child, and the many restrictions we all had to face: curfew, austerity, and food rationing, which started in 1939, before I was born, and lasted, past independence, until 1959. The curfews, travel restrictions, and food shortages were much the way things were in the early time of the current pandemic.

The British Mandate in Palestine, 1918-1948, was an outcome of the First World War. After the UN adopted the resolution to partition Palestine, on November 29, 1947, the UK announced the termination of its mandate at midnight on May 14, 1948 and the State of Israel declared its independence as of that date.

Sirens were an everyday event. When the siren was heard we rushed to the shelter, and when we returned to our residence, we were faced with blackout curtains covering the windows – that was the norm.

The British soldiers marched up and down the streets and on occasion would pay us a surprise visit, checking documents, looking for guns, etc.

Food points were given to each person in form of ration cards, which had to be turned in with money to buy essentials on a specific date.

These memories carry me to current times, feeling the love and admiration of my Israeli brothers and sisters.

Israelis have always lived with threats to their safety and perhaps because of this, Israel is first to respond, help, and assist wherever there is a crisis, without distinguishing the ethnic or religious backgrounds of the residents.

Israel's technological and medical innovations and her willingness to assist without prejudice make her valued around the world.

A couple of years ago Vicki and I went to Israel on an amazing educational trip called *Qushiyyot - Questions/Dilemmas*, where an incredible group of Jewish educators traveled through the country, meeting many of Israel's Arabs and Jews, listening to their struggles and achievements, and found ourselves still perplexed, but hopeful that there would be a resolution to the Arab-Israeli dilemma for a peaceable future.

Yom Ha'atzmaut is the one holiday I miss most not living in Israel. It was the best, the Kumzitz campfire, sitting with my classmates, roasting potatoes, singing around the campfire, and finally joining the crowds in the main square, dancing Israeli dances, listening to the voices of our favorite singers, and staying up all night. Tel Aviv and the entire country would dance the night away with hopes and dreams for a peaceful future. ❖



Modern-day IDF soldiers at the Kotel.





Receive the Torah !

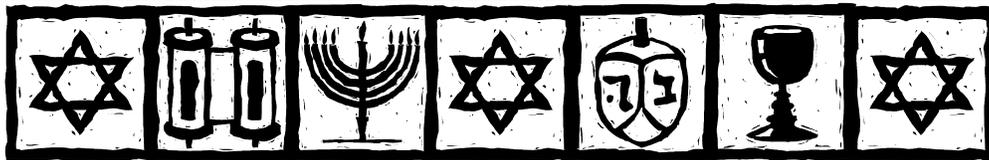
Our Scroll has been repaired and restored!
Celebrate with the Scribe at KSS!

Sunday, May 16@4 pm
(rain date May 23)



Our *Sefer Torah*/Torah Scroll was in need of some love and attention. Scribe/*Soferet* Jill Kaplan attended to it, cleaning, restoring, and repairing the wooden handles (*Etzai Chaim*/Trees of Life) and ink. Join us to celebrate the Scroll's return on the afternoon before the holiday of the receiving of the Torah (plus ice cream!).

Sunday, May 16 @4 pm (rain date May 23)



THE GIFTS RECEIVED

GENERAL FUND

CAROL & JERRY BLOOMGARDEN, in memory of
ALEXANDER ROGOVIN

LYUBLYANA TURIY, for the yahrzeit of
KOLMAN TURIY

JUDITH WINARD, for the yahrzeit of her beloved husband,
SANFORD WINARD

ILEEN & MICHAEL KOENIG

CAROL RUBIN, in support of Isle of Klezbos fundraiser

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RITUAL COMMITTEE

BEV MANNIX, in memory of her beloved father, IRVING MOSES

GIFTS IN KIND

JUDI GARDNER, for her gift of a beautiful stained glass wall hanging

ROBERTA ISRAELOFF, for copies of her book, *Kindling the Flame*, to be given as gifts to new members

Todah rabah!



Halvah, Olives, and Bagels at the Carmel Market, Tel Aviv



Photos by Dalia Rosenthal



Faces of Israel Black, Jewish, and Israeli

Sunday, May 2 @ 12 pm



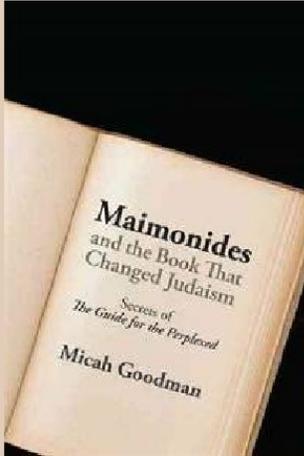
Kehillath Shalom Synagogue presents

Israel Forum

**Direct from Israel:
a Special Guest!**

May 8, 2021

Service @ 10; Forum @ 11:15



Lunch & Learn

Maimonides & the Book that Changed Judaism:
 Secrets of *The Guide for the Perplexed*
 by Micah Goodman

Thursdays@12:30
Begins 4.15

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KSS can now receive payments through Zelle, the quick, convenient, no-fee online payment system used by Bank of America, Capital One, Chase, Citi, and many other banks.

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Kehillath Shalom Synagogue & Masjid Noor Present:



A Conversation with Filmmaker Adam Zucker Wednesday, June 2@7:30 pm

Kehillath Shalom connected with Masjid Noor after the shootings in Christchurch, New Zealand, when many of us joined in a gathering there to support the Muslim community. We are now coming together to watch and discuss *American Muslim*. Chronicling diverse Muslim-Americans in Brooklyn and Queens, the film follows five former immigrants, now citizens, figuring out how to be Muslim and American in a changing world.

Registrants will view the film in advance and participate in a conversation with the filmmaker. RSVP to Rabbi Lina, rabbi@kehillathshalomsynagogue.org, required for access to the film and link for the program.

Shabbat in the Park with

**Friday, 6.4
at
6:30 pm**

raindate: 6.11



**Bring a Picnic
and
Bring a Friend**



Kehillath Shalom Synagogue

Share food, songs, and make new friends!
You supply: your food and your chairs.
We supply: song and celebration!

Heckscher Park
Huntington Village

Zoom Bingo is Here!



THURSDAY, MAY 20

7:30 pm

Save the Date!

Kehillath Shalom Synagogue's Fundraising Committee brings you a Monthly Bingo Night with fun, laughter, and prizes.



As low as \$18 for one month

Or at a discount of \$45 if you sign up for the remaining three dates



Bingo cards will be mailed to you!

You can register [online](#) or via the KSS Office by May 13

Perfect for families, neighbors, and friends



Shavuot: Study, Song, Service, Sharing May 16-17

Tikkun Leil Shavuot

Reconstructionist Movement-wide all-night learning and practice. From Sunday, May 16 @ 8 pm to Monday morning, May 17. Stay tuned for more info!

Shavuot Service with Yizkor, Monday, May 17 @ 10 am on Zoom.

PLANNING FOR OUR FUTURE

For half a century and more, Kehillath Shalom Synagogue has played a role in the lives of generations of Jewish families. Through their work and their resources, the congregation's pioneers made it possible for KSS to thrive and to survive for the generations to come. That work continues as does the opportunity to keep Kehillath Shalom active and vibrant for those who will come through its door tomorrow after tomorrow.

In the spirit of *L'Dor v'Dor* ("From generation to generation"), join those who have made a provision for Kehillath Shalom in planning for the future through their estate and financial planning. Your gift can help assure the long-term viability of the synagogue.

You can contribute by:

- ★ Making a bequest to Kehillath Shalom in your will
- ★ Making Kehillath Shalom a beneficiary of your retirement 403(b) or 401(k) account
- ★ Making Kehillath Shalom a beneficiary of your IRA or of your IRA's yearly Minimum Required Distribution

If you need more information, have questions, or would like to speak with someone from the Fundraising Committee about KSS' Long Term Planning options, please call the office at 631-367-4589 or email AbbyPariser@gmail.com. ❖



Help Put the “Fun” in Fundrai\$ing!

Come join Kehillath Shalom’s Fundraising Committee! Over the years, Fundraising has put together raffles, donation drives, events like Casino, Comedy, and Music Nights, and special events like 2019’s 50th Anniversary Gala. In December, we had our first KSS Zoom Bingo Night.

We are always looking for new people and new ideas. Our work is vital to support the congregation and its great work and programming. If you are interested in being part of our merry band, please contact us at kshalomfundraising@gmail.com or call the office at 631.367.4589.



Hail to the Grief, April 2012



50th Anniversary Gala, April 2019



50th Anniversary Gala, April 2019



40th Anniversary Gala, March 2010



Casino Night, November 2019

Let's Light Candles Together



Friday evenings at 6:30 pm

We'll share, sing, and bring Shabbat peace.

Join Zoom Meeting by computer: <https://zoom.us/j/88265226225>

Or Phone: +1 646 558 8656

Meeting ID: 882 6522 6225,
Password 046 425

We will learn, study, share, pray.
As usual, come for Torah Study or Service or Both!

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Kehillath Shalom Synagogue



**Shabbat Morning
Torah Study 10 am
Service 11:15 am**

Morning Gathering Stillness, Meditation, Blessings



Morning Gathering: Tuesday - Friday Mornings at 8 am
Establish a strong, centered, calm foundation for the day.
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Sun

Mon

Tue

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Thu

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Sat

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Torah Study 10 am
No scheduled service

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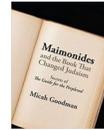
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Faces of Israel
Naftali Aklum: Black, Jewish, and Israeli
12 noon

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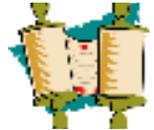
Lunch & Learn
Maimonides: *GftP*
12:30 pm

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Soup Shabbat and
Candlelighting
6:30 pm

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Shabbat Service
10 am
Israel Forum
11:15 am

7:39

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Mothers Day

10



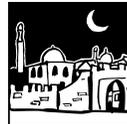
Food Drive
Through May 16

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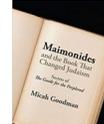
Board Meeting
7:30 pm

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Rosh Chodesh Group
7:30 pm

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Lunch & Learn
Maimonides: *GftP*
12:30 pm

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Candlelighting
6:30 pm

15



Torah Study 10 am
Meditation Service
11:15 am

7:46

16



Bagels & Books 10
When Time Stopped
Torah Celebration
@ KSS 4 pm
Tikkun Leil Shavuot

17



Shavuot Festival
Service and Yizkor
10 am

18

SHAVUOT

19



CRJ Movie Night
7:30 pm
One Night in Miami

20



Lunch & Learn
Maimonides: *GftP*
12:30 pm

21



Candlelighting
6:30 pm

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Torah Study 10 am
Shabbat Service
11:15 am

7:52

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Lunch & Learn
Maimonides: *GftP*
12:30 pm

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Candlelighting
6:30 pm

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Shabbat Service
10 am
Bar Mitzvah of
Trevor Sturza

7:58

30

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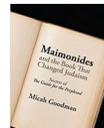
Memorial Day

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American Muslim
Discussion with
Filmmaker
7:30 pm
RSVP required

3



Lunch & Learn
Maimonides: *GftP*
12:30 pm

4



Shabbat in the Park
6:30 pm

5



Shabbat Service
10 am
Bar Mitzvah of
Jacob Levitt

8:03