



## Weekly Events Nov 9 - Nov 19, 2017

### FRIDAY EVENING KABBALAT SERVICES

Friday, November 10, 6:00 pm

**CANDLE LIGHTING** at 4:15 pm

Friday, November 17, 6:00 pm

**CANDLE LIGHTING** at 4:09 pm

### SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY

Saturday, November 11, 2017, 9:30 am (Parashat Chayei Sarah)

**SHABBAT ENDS** at 5:16 pm

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Saturday, November 18, 2017, 9:30 am (Parashat Toldot)

Sandra Goldsmith Social Justice Shabbaton (see Tikkun Olam box below)

**SHABBAT ENDS** at 5:11 pm

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## CBI CAFÉ

### **CBI CAFE CLASS: *THE OTHER/OURSELVES***

**9:45 am with Rabbi Justin David**

It has been said that the reminder "you were slaves in Egypt" is the most repeated phrase in the Torah. In these times of heightened racism, xenophobia and anti-Semitism, we should take some time to examine what Judaism has to say about the "other," the "outsider," and the "stranger." How does later Jewish tradition develop so as to see the "other" as really part of "us?" We will explore this theme in five separate classes.

**November 12:** "Idolators and Inter-marriage."

**November 19:** "The 'Other' is 'Us'". A Conversation with Mehlaqa Samdani." Mehlaqa Samdani is the Executive Director of Critical Connections.

### **CBI CAFE INVITED LECTURES AND EVENTS**

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#### ***THE CURRENT STATE OF TRANSGENDER RIGHTS***

**November 12, 11:00 am to Noon**

**Jennifer Levi, Professor of Law at Western New England School of Law.**

Professor Levi will speak on the current state of transgender rights. Jennifer has fought for the rights of women, children, the poor, and lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender clients. She served as co-counsel for the seven same-sex couples who sued the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the right to marry, and is involved nationally on cases involving transgender rights.

**November 19, 9:45 am to Noon**

Join us for the final conversation in a weekend of dialogue with the Muslim community around the current climate of Islamophobia and xenophobia. Mehlaqa Samdani is the Executive Director of Critical Connections, which brings issues of Muslim concern into a multi-faith dialogue. She is a fellow at the Karuna Center for Peacebuilding and teaches peace-building and dialogue at the School for International Training.

**For a link to the brochure click [CBI CAFE](#).**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

## DECEMBER WINTER AUCTION

**DECEMBER 16, 2017, 5:00 pm**

Dancing, music, wine and soft drinks. Enjoy delicious food and an auction. Big thanks to Rachel Rubinstein for being our auctioneer.

Tickets \$20/person in advance and \$25/person at the door. RSVP early at 413-584-3593 or mail payment to CBI and put Winter Auction in memo line.



**[CLICK TO CBI HOME PAGE TO PURCHASE TICKETS](#)**

For donation of auction items, please contact Norbert Goldfield at [rin8312011@gmail.com](mailto:rin8312011@gmail.com).

## CBI SPONSORED EVENTS

### ABUNDANCE FARM

While the debris from the recent fire is being cleaned up, we ask that visitors to the Farm stay within the orchard area and refrain, for safety reasons, from entering the fenced in area. Pick Your Own is over for the season. Farm classes and programs will occur within the orchard area. Please see the box above for ways you can help.

### ABUNDANCE FARM WORK PARTIES

**Thursdays, November 9 and 16, 2:00-5:00 pm.** Come work in our orchard area. Dress appropriately. Bring a shovel if you can, but it is not required. All ages are welcome.

### ABUNDANCE FARM MOVIE NIGHT

**Thursday, November 17, 7:00 pm.** Come share stories of your families' and our collective agricultural roots. Learn the history of Jewish farming. We will be watching Harvesting Stones, a film by Jerry Fischer, a film about the Jewish farmers of Eastern Connecticut. We will also share stories with CBI members and those participants willing to share their own families' histories with farming.

## SHABBAT FAMILY PROGRAMMING

### SHABBAT SHABLOOM

**November 11, 10:30--11:15 am at CBI with Felicia Sloin and Amy Meltzer.** Celebrate the end of the week with joyful music, movement and storytelling-especially for ages 0-5 and their grown-ups. This will be followed by a mini-Kiddish of grape juice and challah.

### SHABBAT SING

**Saturday, November 11, from 11:15 am-12:00 pm,** at Lander-Grinspoon Academy, Shabbat Sing will be held for people of all ages who want to sing their hearts out. Shabbat sing is about more singing and less talking. Our eclectic repertoire includes camp favorites and familiar melodies as well as newer tunes. Something for everyone.

Click on [SHABBAT FAMILY PROGRAMMING](#) for these and upcoming programming.

### SHABBAT SHABLOOM DINNER

**November 17, 5:30 pm, at CBI.** Free Shabbat Shabloom dinner for families with children ages 0-5. Pre-registration is required by end of the day on **November 14**. Click on the link below to RSVP.

[SHABBAT DINNER RSVP](#)

### HEBREW CLASS

**Saturday, November 11, from 11:15-11:45 am** in the CBI Library, Hebrew specialist Sarah Gribetz will offer a study session of Hebrew language learning for parents. Sarah will offer guidance on prayer-book Hebrew, the alphabet, key phrases, and melodies, which will increase your confidence in services and prayers.

### TALMUD STUDY FOR EVERYONE

**Saturdays, November 11, 10:00-11:00 am** with Rabbi Jacob, at Congregation B'nai Israel, in the Library. All are welcome to join this year-long class on **Saturday mornings**. We will be learning some of the Talmud's most important, fascinating and evocative sections. Free and open to everyone. No prior experience necessary. For more information [rabbijacob@cbinorthampton.org](mailto:rabbijacob@cbinorthampton.org)

#### **ISRAEL COMMITTEE SPONSORED EVENT**

**November 12, 4:-5:30 pm.** "Israel's Security in Uncertain Times: Iran, the Two-State Solution and More with IDF General (Res.) Noam Tibon" With a post-event reception. Springfield Jewish Community Center, 1160 Dickinson Street, Springfield, MA 01108. Click [HERE](#) more details.

#### **VALLEY JEWISH SENIOR LUNCHEON**

**November 15, 12:30pm.** Enjoy guest speaker Jennifer Brown, author of *Modern Girls*. Lunch and dessert served. Give thanks to the many volunteers who help keep this program going. All ages welcome. \$5.00 Suggested donation. RSVP by **November 13** at 413-584-3593. For more details click [SENIOR LUNCHEON](#)

Contact Henry Lewin at [hennylewin@yahoo.com](mailto:hennylewin@yahoo.com) for guest speaker/presenter ideas and Deborah Epstein at [dlfepstein@gmail.com](mailto:dlfepstein@gmail.com) to volunteer to help cook, serve, schmooze, and cleanup.

#### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENT**

The CBI Membership Committee would like to acknowledge special events in your life. If you have a simcha (a Jewish celebration), birth in the family, or other cause to celebrate, please let us know. If only one adult in your family is receiving our Weekly Events and other CBI emails, and the other would like to also receive emails, please contact us at [office@cbinorthampton.org](mailto:office@cbinorthampton.org)

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## **SAVE THE DATE**

#### **November 22, 5:45 pm: FEED THE HUNGRY:**

Contact Peggy Besht Hepburn at 413-582-0610 to donate food and/or volunteer for CBI-sponsored evenings. CBI helps the Cot Shelter from November to April on the 4th Wednesday of the month. To donate funds to the Cot Shelter in lieu of food, make checks payable to CBI with Cot Shelter in the memo line. Click [COT SHELTER](#) for more details.



**November 29, 7:15 pm, CBI Sanctuary:** Rosh Chodesh Ritual for Women. Discussion and learning, singing, personal sharing, recitation of a blessing for seeing the moon, option healing prayers. Light snack included. No RSVP needed.

**November 30, 7:30 pm: CBI Board Meeting.**

**December 3, 4-5:30 pm: Jewish Spirituality Group.** An informal group with sharing and study.

**December 17, 2017: Hanukkah Party.** Details coming soon.

**December 20, 2017: Valley Jewish Senior Luncheon.** Volunteers welcome with all tasks. Contact Deborah Epstein at [dlfepstein@gmail.com](mailto:dlfepstein@gmail.com)

## **TIKKUN OLAM SOCIAL JUSTICE**

The Tikkun Olam Committee invites you to the

### **Third Annual Sandra Goldsmith Social Justice Shabbaton:**

*Seeing the Face of the Other:  
Building Unity Among Jews, Muslims, and Other Targeted Communities*

**Saturday, November 18:**  
services followed by special Kiddush and conversation (until **2:00 pm**).

**Sunday, November 19:**  
panel and discussion (**9:30-11:30 am**).

CLICK ON [SHABBATON](#) FOR MORE DETAILS

Mehlaqa Samdani, Executive Director  
of Critical Connections



## The Making the of the Balfour Declaration

**November 19, 3:00-4:30 pm**  
at CBI

With guest speaker Professor Jonathan Schmeer.  
Presented by the Israel Committee and several co-sponsors.  
Click [HERE](#) for details.

## SUE KURIAN KIDDUSH FUND

Kiddush brings us together as a community, and sharing food creates fellowship and friendship. But only your donations can sustain the weekly Kiddush. Contribute to the fund and host a Kiddush that honors a birthday, a friend, a memory-or join with others and make a Kiddush possible for our community. Please write **Kiddush Fund** in the subject line of your check to CBI. We'll celebrate together.



**November 11:** Kiddush will be created by Bianca Cuperman and sponsored by CBI.

**November 18:** Kiddush will be created by Bianca Cuperman and sponsored by the Tikkun Olam Committee.

Thank you to all those who make Kiddush possible: the donors, creators, coordinators, and sponsors.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR KIDDUSH.**

Please contact Beth Goldstein at [bethgoldstein28@gmail.com](mailto:bethgoldstein28@gmail.com) for more information.

## LEND A HELPING HAND (CHESED COMMITTEE)

The Chesed Committee is here to respond to the needs of CBI members.

For November, the coordinator is Susan Mosler. Contact Susan at (413) 584-5144 or [smosler600@gmail.com](mailto:smosler600@gmail.com)

Remember: If we don't know, we can't help.



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

## Crafts Colrain Studio Tour, Gan Edyn Arts Studio Gallery

Sunday, November 12, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Hebrew calligraphy art by Peggy Davis and Joe Kurlan. Enjoy the complete tour which includes pottery, woodwork, ironwork, fiber, jewelry, baskets, hand-crafted beer and fishing lures, all made by Colrain artisans. Tour hours: **10 am--5 pm**; the other studios are also open **Saturday, November 11**. Enjoy a day in the beautiful hills of Colrain, west from Greenfield, off of Rte. 2. More information about the tour and the

artists: [www.craftsofcolrain.com](http://www.craftsofcolrain.com).

<http://www.HebrewLettering.com>

<https://www.etsy.com/shop/PegathusDesign>

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## Calling the Shots: The Jewish Perspective on Childhood Immunizations

December 3, 10:00 am,

Congregation B'nai Torah, 2 Eunice Drive, Longmeadow, MA

A continental breakfast will be followed by a panel discussion featuring Rabbi Shlomo Yammer and local pediatrician Karen Shore, M.D. There will be a charge of \$3.00. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

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### SISTERHOOD ALL OCCASION CARDS

Donations can still be made in honor of Simchas, in memory of loved ones and other events (card sent to recipient).

**\$5.00 buys one card**

**\$18.00 buys 4 cards**

**\$36.00 buys 8 cards**

Your sentiments will appear on the donations page in the Kehila. Send your check (made out to **CBI Sisterhood**) to Cleo Gorman, 32 Winthrop Street, Northampton, MA 01060. Please see the Kehila for how funds have been used. For other ideas contact Debra Hertz or Cleo Gorman and keep donating to the All Occasion Fund.

### LOST AND FOUND-COME FIND AT THE CBI OFFICE

Please contact the **CBI office at 413-584-3593** if you have misplaced any items. The items are now located behind the door in the coat closet and hanging on the coat closet rack.

Several items have been left at the synagogue. Please contact us if you own the following:

- Teal blue jacket
- Magic cards
- Assortment of jewelry
- Various tallitot (taleisim). Call to confirm color or design.



All items unclaimed will be donated to Northampton Survival Center or another appropriate charity.

## CBI SCRIP AND GIFT CARDS: UP TO 5% GOES TO CBI

**NORTHAMPTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GIFT CARDS ARE GREAT GIFTS FOR ALL OCCASIONS:** This card makes a great gift. Give teachers, friends and family the opportunity to choose from local goods/services/meals at more than 65 Northampton businesses and support CBI and local merchants all at the same time. Everybody wins. Or buy scrip to purchase the gifts you want to give. Click [HERE](#) (and scroll to the bottom) to order online.

**BUY SCRIP. MAKE A DIFFERENCE.** You can help raise a substantial amount of money for the synagogue simply by using scrip. Buy your usual groceries using scrip purchased from the office. Using Scrip supports CBI without costing you a cent. How? The store you go to for groceries (Stop & Shop, Big Y and River Valley Co-op) will donate a portion of the money you use on Scrip to the synagogue **without charging you anything**. Wow. For more information about how to go about this, click [HERE](#) (and scroll to the bottom). There is no down side, and you can make an easy arrangement to have Scrip mailed to you. For Amherst members, there is an important message below.

### **STOP, SHOP, SUPPORT CBI. AMHERST CBI MEMBERS:**

No need to drive over to CBI during the week to buy scrip. Co-President Max Page is the new Amherst Scrip Ambassador. Do you need scrip? Email Max at [milomaximpage@gmail.com](mailto:milomaximpage@gmail.com) and he will deliver it to you. CBI gets 5 cents on every dollar you spend at Stop & Shop-at no cost to you.

## TO PAY YOUR BILL OR MAKE A DONATION



Please consider adding a 3% voluntary donation to help offset the costs of providing an online payment option.  
Thank you!

Shabbat Shalom,

Ben Superman  
Executive Director

Gillian Murray Kendall  
Co-Editor

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