

Congregation B'nai Israel

A Vibrant Jewish Community Located in Northampton, Massachusetts



Weekly Events Jan. 11-21, 2018

FRIDAY EVENING KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE

Friday, January 12, 6:00 pm

CANDLE LIGHTING at 4:22 pm

FRIDAY EVENING KOL SHABBAT SERVICE

Friday, January 19, 6:00 pm

CANDLE LIGHTING at 4:30 pm

Click on [KOL SHABBAT](#) for more information

SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY

Sod HaShabbat Service

Saturday, January 13, 2018, 9:30 am (Parashat Va'era)

SHABBAT ENDS at 5:27 pm

Join Rabbi Justin David and Rabbi Jacob Fine for this Shabbat service. This service offers alternative modes of engaging with Shabbat prayer: meditative silence, chanting on a few words, Hasidic niggunim (melodies) and new approaches to studying the weekly Torah portion. Click [Sod HaShabbat](#) for more information.

Saturday, January 20, 2018, 9:30 am (Parashat Bo)

SHABBAT ENDS at 5:35 pm

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UGANDA FUNDRAISER-KIPOT AND BRACELETS FOR SALE

Please stop in the CBI Office to purchase handmade items made by the members of the Abayudaya Jewish Community of Uganda as part of a fundraiser. All proceeds of sales go to the Abayudaya community in Uganda.

Cash or checks made to CBI only (Uganda in the memo line).

LARGE KIPOT \$20 each SMALL KIPOT \$10 each BRACELETS \$10 each

[VIEW THE KEHILA IN COLOR](#)

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TIKKUN OLAM SOCIAL JUSTICE

Save the Date: Sixth Annual Legislative Luncheon



**Friday, January 19, 2018,
11:30 am - 1:00 pm**

The Tikkun Olam Committee needs your RSVP for the legislative luncheon ASAP and no later than Monday, 1/15 (the right head count means enough food for all!).

Come hear your state legislators discuss social justice priorities.

RSVP to Pamela Schwartz at pschwartz77@gmail.com.

CLICK ON [LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON](#) FOR MORE DETAILS

CBI COT SHELTER NIGHT

January 24, 2018, 5:00 pm

Donate money, food, or your time to help feed the hungry of Northampton. Contact Peggy (Besht) Hepburn at pjbhepburn@gmail.com to sign up. Click [COT SHELTER](#) for more information.

CBI CALENDAR [CLICK HERE](#)

CBI SPONSORED EVENTS

SHABBAT FAMILY PROGRAMMING

Click on the updated [Shabbat Family Programming Flyer](#) for the latest schedule.

TALMUD STUDY FOR EVERYONE

There will be no Talmud Study on January 13. Please join Rabbi Jacob Fine and Rabbi Justin David for Sod HaShabbat. See above under 'services' for details.

Saturday, January 20, from 10:00-11:00 am, in the CBI Library.
Rabbi Jacob Fine will be leading a session of Talmud conversation and study. Parents are invited to dive into the "vast ocean" that is Talmudic text and wisdom; in these classes, we will look at a variety of the most important, fascinating and evocative Talmudic selections. For more information contact rabbijacob@cbinorthampton.org

SHABBAT SHABLOOM

January 13, at 11:15 am-12:00 pm: Lander-Grinspoon Academy MPR.
Celebrate the end of the week with Felicia Sloin and Amy Meltzer with joyful music, movement and storytelling, especially for ages 0-5 and their grown-ups. This will be followed by a mini-kiddush of grape juice and challah.

SHABBAT SING

January 20, at 11:15 am-12:00 pm: Lander-Grinspoon Academy MPR.
Shabbat sing is more singing and less talking. A favorite monthly gathering, Shabbat Sing is for people who want to sing their hearts out. Our eclectic repertoire includes camp favorites and familiar melodies as well as newer tunes. Something for everyone!

ROSH CHODESH RITUAL FOR WOMEN

January 17, 7:00 pm. All women are invited to join us for discussion, learning, singing, personal sharing, recitation of blessings for seeing the moon, optional healing prayers and snack. Just show up, no need to sign up.

ISRAEL COMMITTEE MEETING

January 17, 7:00 pm. Please join us to continue planning Israel's 70th Anniversary event and other committee business.

VALLEY JEWISH SENIOR LUNCHEON

January 17, 2018, 12:30 pm. Special guest Victoria Ahrens Dorf will speak about "Gentle Movement and the Fendelkrais Method." Suggested donation \$5.00 for lunch. Contact Henny Lewin for program ideas at hennylewin@yahoo.com and Deborah Epstein at dfepstein@gmail.com to volunteer.

TIKKUN OLAM 6TH ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON

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(the right head count means enough food for all!). Come hear your state legislators discuss social justice priorities at our sixth annual legislative luncheon. RSVP to Pamela Schwartz at pschwartz77@gmail.com. Click [HERE](#) for more details.



SAVE THE DATE

February 11, 2018. 10:30-1:00 pm. Community Meeting with brunch to further discuss the reality of becoming a physical sanctuary.

February 18, 4:00-5:00 pm: Jewish Spirituality Group. This is an informal group of sharing and study.

February 21, 12:30: Valley Jewish Senior Luncheon. Suggested donation will be raised to \$7.00 for lunch. Contact Henny Lewin for program ideas at hennylewin@yahoo.com and Deborah Epstein at dlfepstein@gmail.com to volunteer.

February 21, 7:00 pm: Rosh Chodesh Ritual for Women. See description above.

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.



January 13: This Kiddush will be created by Bianca Cuperman and sponsored by CBI.

January 20: This Kiddush will be created and sponsored by ALMA families.

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 for more information.

LEND A HELPING HAND (CHESSED COMMITTEE)

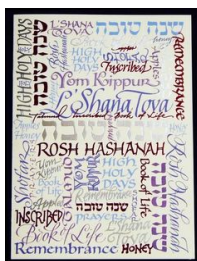
The Chessed Committee is here to respond to the needs of CBI members.

For January, the coordinator is Julie Robbins. Contact Julie at (413) 584-2144 or julierobbins50@gmail.com

Please let us know how we can help.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



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.



Please contact us if you own the following:

- Black sweater
- Navy blue children's jacket
- Black dockers hat
- Black Patriots knit cap
- Various tallitot (taleisim). Call to confirm color or design.

All items unclaimed will be donated at the beginning of each month to Northampton Survival Center or another appropriate charity. Jewelry and keys will be held for individuals to claim for an extended period of time.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

PJ PRESCHOOL PALS AT LGA

257 Prospect Street, Northampton.

Sunday, January 14, 10:00 - 11:15 am

Hands-on Jewish activities for children ages 3-5 with Katryna Nields.
\$5 suggested donation/family.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

PARENTING FOR RACIAL JUSTICE

Nonotuck Community School, 221 Riverside Drive, Florence

Sundays, 1:00-4:00 pm, January 21, March 4, April 22

Looking for support in talking with children about whiteness, racism, and justice? Looking for ideas and motivation for taking social justice action as a family or school?

\$5-\$50 donation to cover expenses. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

RSVP at diversitychair@nonotuck.org or 413-270-0820

50 SHADES OF OY VEY

JCA, 742 Main Street, Amherst

February 24, 2018, 7:00pm

Come support the JCA and have a blast at the same time. Take a risk, bring a joke, let your potty mouth fly. No kids under 18. No flip flops. No Harvey Weinstein jokes. \$10 suggested donation. Borscht and bread, wine and Gin and Tonic will be served. Contact Oran Kaufman at oran@orankaufman.com or 413-256-1575.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

JEWISH ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

JEF has funds for scholarships to individuals for undergraduate studies in the United States, undergraduate/graduate studies in Israel, and for participating in educational tours of Israel.

Springfield Council of Jewish Women Scholarship Awards - \$52,050

JEF Common Fund Awards - \$12,000

Israel Travel - \$4,559

Academic scholarships are awarded from two pools of funds.

You may apply for both pools of funds by [clicking here](#). The deadline for college scholarship applications for the 2018-19 academic year is **April 13, 2018 at 4pm**.

SCJW renewal students will receive a link to an abbreviated application form. If you have not received this link, please contact [Michelle Lancto](#).

Scholarships for attending college or graduate school in Israel are also available through a separate application process. [Click here for application](#).

Applications for Israel Travel Scholarships are also accepted on an annual basis. The deadline for Israel travel scholarship applications for trips during summer 2018 or the 2018-19 academic year is April 13, 2018 at 4pm. [Click here](#) to apply.

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: By purchasing these cards, you can help raise a substantial amount of money for the synagogue. **Why not make it your goal to buy and use scrip as an easy way to help CBI?** The store you go to for groceries and gifts and items for parties (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).

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 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 Cuperman
Executive Director

Gillian Murray Kendall
Co-Editor

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