

Congregation B'nai Israel

A Vibrant Jewish Community Located in Northampton, Massachusetts



Weekly Events March 8 - March 18, 2018

Daylight Savings begins March 11. Spring forward. Set your clocks ahead.

KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICES

Friday, March 9, 2018, 6:00 pm

CANDLE LIGHTING at 5:32 pm

KOL SHABBAT MUSICAL SERVICE

Friday, March 16, 2018, 6:00 pm

CANDLELIGHTING at 6:40 pm

SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY

Saturday, March 10, 2018, 9:30 am (Parashat Vayak'hel-Pekude)

Sod Hashabbat with Rabbi David and Rabbi Fine
Click [Here](#) for more details.

SHABBAT ENDS at 6:33 pm

Saturday, March 17, 2018, 9:30 am (Parashat Vayikra)

SHABBAT ENDS at 7:41 pm

A number of our members have allergies to perfumes, colognes and other fragrances. Please try to minimize the use of these products when attending programs and services. Thank you.

CBI BOARD CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Congregation B'nai Israel is pleased to announce the call for nominations for the

2018/2019 Board of Directors. We are seeking candidates for President/Co-President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Directors-At-Large. Terms of Officers are for one year. Terms of Directors-At-Large are for two years.

Click [HERE](#) for more information or contact Stephan Wurmbrand, Chair Nominations Committee, at swurmbrand@tcsqp.com or 413-530-2194

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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 for Everyone on **March 10**. Please join Rabbi David and Rabbi Fine in the Sanctuary for Sod HaShabbat at **9:30 am**.

March 17 at 10:00 am in the CBI Library with Rabbi Jacob Fine. Dive into the "vast ocean" that is Talmudic text and wisdom. We will look at a variety of the most important, fascinating and evocative Talmudic selections. For more information contact rabbijacob@cbinorthampton.org

SHABBAT SHABLOOM

March 10, 11:15 am-Noon at the Lander-Grinspoon Academy MPR. Celebrate the end of the week with music, movement, and storytelling followed by a mini-Kiddush with challah and grape juice.

SHABBAT SING

March 17, 11:15 am-Noon at Lander-Grinspoon Academy MPR. This program is for those of all ages who want to sing their hearts out.

"MAY THEIR MEMORIES BE A BLESSING"

This spring, ALMA's Amirim class (2nd-3rd grade) is embarking on a project to learn more about the history of Congregation B'nai Israel, and specifically about community members and their relatives who have now passed on. The students are working with local artist and CBI member Abbie Steiner to create an exhibit at CBI which will celebrate the memories of our community's loved ones. The exhibit will include a photo display and a memory album, to be housed in CBI.

If you or someone you know is interested in honoring a late relative, we are currently taking photo and anecdote submissions. Please click [HERE](#) for more details and instructions.

The deadline to submit materials is March 30, 2018.

HUMAN RIGHTS HERO HONOREE: RABBI JUSTIN DAVID

T'ruah Annual Gala, Tuesday, May 8, 2018

Rabbi Justin David will be honored as a Human Rights Hero at the annual gala of T'ruah, a national Jewish human rights organization, on **Tuesday evening, May 8** in New York City.

Can you join in the honoring, either in person or by supporting others to attend?

[Click here](#) for the flyer to read more details. Mazel Tov and thank you to Justin - this is a great cause for celebration. To learn more about the event, [click here](#) to visit the T'ruah event page.

TIKKUN OLAM SOCIAL JUSTICE

APRIL 10-TIKKUN OLAM BOSTON LOBBY DAY

Join us for our Boston Lobby Day, when we meet with our legislators at the State House to press our social, environmental, and economic justice priorities. It's fun and energizing all in one. Meet at CBI at 7:30 am. Carpooling will be arranged.

[Click here for more details.](#)

AND: please join our Tikkun Olam Action Alert list. Contact Pamela Schwartz at pschwartz77@gmail.com if interested.

SUE KURIAN KIDDUSH FUND

Contribute to the Kiddush fund. Host a Kiddush. Celebrate a birthday or honor a friend. We'll have a wonderful time together.

March 10:

This Kiddush will be created by Bianca Cuperman and will be sponsored by the Luddy-Dunn Family in appreciation of the ongoing work of the Chesed Committee and the entire congregation in supporting families in times of need.

March 17: This Kiddush will be created by Emily and David Kieval and

sponsored by CBI.

Thank you to all those who make Kiddush possible. For donations, please write **Kiddush Fund** in the subject line of your check to CBI.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR KIDDUSH

Please contact Beth Goldstein at bethgoldstein28@gmail.com for more information.

REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR SISTERHOOD SHABBAT KIDDUSH

Please contact Joan Schaffer at joanjrs@gmail.com if you are able to assist with the Kiddush preparations on:

Thursday, May 10, 4:00 pm and after, or Friday, May 11, 1:00-4:00 pm

LEND A HELPING HAND (CHESED COMMITTEE)

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

For **March**, the coordinator is Linda Minoff. Contact Linda at (413) 585-0681 or minoff@comcast.net. Please let us know how we can help.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

BENEFIT CONCERT FOR *NOT BREAD ALONE*

at Jewish Community of Amherst, 742 Main Street, Amherst

Sunday, March 11, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Mak'hela The Jewish Chorus of Western MA will be singing in the JCA sanctuary; refreshments will be served in the social hall and those in attendance will enjoy dance music from the JCA Klezmer Ensemble. Refreshments will be served. Suggested \$12 donation at the door, or \$25 for a family. All money raised will go to CHD's *Not Bread Alone*, a free meals program in Amherst, and is tax deductible.

PIONEER VALLEY JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL presented by the Springfield Jewish Community Center

Pioneer Valley Jewish Film Festival runs **March 15-27, 2018**, with a diverse line-up of entertaining, engaging, and thought-provoking films that showcase a multifaceted exploration of Jewish identity, community, history, and politics

Films are screened across Western Massachusetts - this year in Amherst, Chicopee, Greenfield, Longmeadow, Northampton, Shelburne Falls, South Hadley, Springfield, Westfield, and West Springfield - in venues ranging from Rave Cinemas to UMass to the Greenfield Garden Cinemas.

Our film screenings and accompanying programs aim to illuminate universal themes such as identity and belonging, interfaith relations, women's roles in religion and society, conflict and reconciliation in the Middle East, social justice, and civic engagement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SISTERHOOD JUDAICA GIFT SHOP CLEARANCE SALE

Help us clear out the old to bring in the new. Get ready for Passover and get great deals on other Judaica items. 25% off on all items not already discounted. Jewelry will be marked down. Other items will be marked as low as 50% off. Stop by during regular CBI office hours.

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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,

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