

Congregation B'nai Israel

A Vibrant Jewish Community Located in Northampton, Massachusetts



Weekly Events: March 7-17, 2019 Remember Daylight Savings Time, March 10

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

KOL SHABBAT

A musical service with singing and instruments. [Click here for more details.](#)

Friday, March 8, 6:00 pm

CANDLE LIGHTING at 5:31pm

BEIT KABBALAT SHABBAT

Friday, March 15, at 6:00 pm

at Rose-Weiss home
15 Northern Ave.

CANDLE LIGHTING at 6:39 pm

SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES

Saturday, March 9, 9:30 am (Parashat Pekudei)

SHABBAT ENDS at 6:31 pm

Saturday, March 16, 9:30 am (Parashat Vayikra)

PURIM 5779 CELEBRATE WITH US ALL DAY

Wednesday, March 20

12:30 pm. Valley Jewish Senior Luncheon in the CBI Library. Our guest speaker is Dr. Henry Simkin, who will talk about his life as a mohel. Costumes encouraged. Hamentaschen served for dessert. RSVP by **March 15** to help us plan for food at 413-584-3593 or office@cbinorthampton.org

5:30 pm. Puppet show with Kate Holdsworth-Clarke and Felicia Sloin and friends in the LGA social hall. For kids ages 0-5 and their families. Come dressed up to celebrate. [Click here for more details.](#)

6:30-8:00 pm. Megillah reading in the CBI Sanctuary. All are welcome. Costumes encouraged. [Click here for the flyer.](#)

6:30-8:00 pm. For 6-8th graders. In tandem with the Megillah reading, Solelim will be hosting a ice cream social and games in the library. Come in costume, ready for dancing and hamantaschen!

8:00 pm. After party dance and hamentaschen in the CBI Library.



Sunday, March 10, 9:45-10:45 am. Anti-Semitism Discussion

Discussion at the CBI Cafe of *Anti-Semitism: Why is it Everyone's Concern?* A booklet written by Cherie Brown and Amy Leos-Urbel, published by Jews and Allies United to End Anti-Semitism. Amy Leos-Urbel will facilitate. *Booklets are available in the CBI office (\$3, please use cash).*

Sunday, March 10, 11:00 am-12:30 pm. "Shalom Italia"

Dr. Norbert Goldfield will introduce and lead a discussion about the film "Shalom Italia," which follows the journey of three Florentine Jewish brothers to find where they hid as children to escape the Nazis. Norbert, born in Florence, Italy, will relate these tragic events to the lives of his mother and her family as they hid in the same Tuscan hills.

Sunday, March 17, 9:45-10:45 am. The Deep Structure of Jewish Prayer

Join Rabbi David in a study from Talmudic sources of the prayer service which serves the foundation for Jewish spiritual life. Topics include silent prayer, spiritual renewal in prayer, conflicts between prayer and real life, prayer around meals and blessings of real life events.

Sunday, March 17, 11:00 am-12:00 pm. The Movement Voter Project: Grassroots Organization and Electoral Politics.

Billy Wimsett started and leads an organization called the Movement Voter Project, which organizes donors to give strategically to grassroots organizations. These organizations work on electoral politics to help turn out the vote of unlikely voters and hold elected officials accountable.

[Click here for full CBI Cafe schedule.](#)

[CLICK HERE FOR THE ONLINE CBI CALENDAR](#)

CBI AND ABUNDANCE FARM EVENTS

ROSH CHODESH MINYAN

Friday, March 8, 7:30 am. Celebrate the ongoing renewal of Rosh Chodesh (new month) with traditional prayers, lively Hallel and Torah reading and food with coffee. [Click here for more details.](#)

TALMUD CLASS

Saturdays, March 9 and 16, 9:45-10:45 am. Join Rabbi Jacob Fine for these study sessions of important and evocative Talmudic selections. For more information or to add your name to the list, contact Rabbi Jacob at rabbijacob@cbinorthampton.org. All are welcome.

SHABBAT SHABLOOM

Saturday, March 9, 11:15am-12:15 pm at CBI. Celebrate, with Felicia Sloin, the end of the week with joyful music, movement and storytelling. Everyone is welcome!

B'NAI MITZVAH FAMILY MEETUP

Saturday, March 9, 6:00-8:00 pm. All families that are becoming B'nai Mitzvah'd in 2019 are invited. Havdallah and snack provided.

PEOPLE'S BETH MIDRASH

Sundays, March 10, 6:00-8:30 pm

Join this six week series (including **3/24, 3/31, 4/7, 4/14**) in which we learn a Talmudic selection in the original Hebrew/Aramaic together. We're inspired by the Chicago based SVARA's method: "hardcore, queer, and radically inclusive." All you need to know is your aleph beth!" In **Spring, 2019**, we'll be learning a selection from the Talmud tractate Makkoth, about cities of refuge as a radical vision of restorative justice, healing and redemption.

TOTS AND NOSH

Monday, March 11, 12:30-2:30 pm. In CBI Classroom 1. A Jewish inspired playgroup for caregivers and children ages 0-5 who are focused on connections and exploring Jewish culture through food traditions.

AVODAT LEV MA'ARIV MINYAN

Tuesday, March 12, 6:30-7:45 pm in CBI Classroom 2. Join us each week with Simcha Halpert-Hanson for a beautiful song-filled evening minyan (we've always had a minyan) service. Avodat Lev (Heart Work) is a contemplative songful practice. Each session will follow the core structure of the Ma'ariv service but will look different and may include Hebrew and English chanting, guided meditation, journaling, movement and meditative silence.

SHABBAT SING

Saturday, March 16, 11:15 am-12:15 pm at LGA Multi-purpose Room. (for ALL Ages). This favorite monthly gathering is for people who want to sing their hearts out. Our eclectic repertoire provided something for everyone!

COMMITTEE NEWS AND EVENTS

CHESED COMMITTEE: ACTS OF KINDNESS AND COMPASSION

The **March** coordinator is Jori Ross. She can be reached at (413) 586-9964 or joriross@yahoo.com.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Membership Committee is seeking additional people to join the committee. New members of CBI are welcome. Come to a meeting, and check us out. We meet once a month for an hour. Our goal is to welcome new members and to be responsive to members's needs. Contact Naomi Tannen at tannenmahay@msn.com for more information.

TIKKUN OLAM COMMITTEE

Please join us at the CBI Tikkun Olam/JALSA Lobby Day at the State House on **Wednesday, April 3**. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to meet with state legislators (our own and other leaders) to advocate for our social justice priorities. If you have the time, we have everything else you need for a fulfilling and fun day. Please email Pamela Schwartz at pschwartz77@gmail.com if you can attend or with questions.

SAVE THE DATE

The CBI/Beit Ahavah Circle of Care will be honoring the first anniversary of our Congolese family's arrival in the United States with a celebration in the CBI Social Hall on **Saturday, March 23, from 7:00-9:00 pm**. We are grateful for how warmly our congregation has welcomed Mateso, Asani, and Divin, by connecting with them at Shabbat services, volunteering to help in so many ways, and donating to their assistance fund. Anyone who would like to be a part of the celebration, which includes music, desserts, and Havdalah, is welcome to attend. No gifts please. Festive attire suggested, but definitely not required. Questions? Contact Sara Weinberger - spw128@comcast.net

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 9: This Kiddush will be created by Bianca Cuperman and sponsored with CBI Kiddush Funds.

March 16: This Kiddush will be created by Elizabeth and Jonathan Dubinsky and sponsored with CBI Kiddush Funds.

Shabbes morning Kiddush lunch would not be possible without the efforts and support of volunteers from the community. If you can give your time weekly or yearly, during the week or during Shabbat, please email kiddushcbi@gmail.com.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS 2019/2020

Congregation B'nai Israel is pleased to announce the call for nominations for the **2019/2020** Board of Directors. We are seeking candidates for President/Co-

President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Directors-At-Large.

If you are up to the rewarding challenge or would like to recommend someone, please contact Stephan Wurmbbrand, Chair, Nominations Committee at swurmbbrand@tcsqp.com or 413-530-2194.

COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

THE YALE SPIZZIWINKS?

Saturday, March 9, 7:00 pm, JCA, 742 Main Street, Amherst. A collegiate A Cappella Concert featuring Amherst Native Tavi Wolfwood. Doors open at **6:30 pm**. \$10 Students, \$15 Adults. Purchase tickets at the door or online at spizzwinks.ticketbud.com

FILM SCREENING: MR. GAGA

Sunday, March 10, 2:00-4:00 pm, Temple Israel, 27 Pierce Street, Greenfield. This film portrays the life work of Israeli choreographer Ohad Neharim. Free of charge.

PAGE TO STAGE

Sunday, March 10, 11:00 am at Temple Israel, 27 Pierce Street, Greenfield. A FREE musical puppet show where books come to life. Featuring Felicia Sloin and Kate Holdsworth-Clarke. [Click here for the flyer.](#)

PJ PALS PURIM

Sunday, March 17, 10:00-11:30 am. Eric Carle Museum-The Carle Art Studio. Purchase Tickets at LGA's Facebook Page. [Click here for the flyer.](#) Contact Amy Meltzer at ameltzer@Linder-Grinspoon.org for additional information.

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

Shabbat Shalom,

Ben Cuperman
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