

SUKKOT & SIMCHAT TORAH SERVICES

Sukkot and Simchat Torah this year will be a blend of live streamed and Zoom services. We will usher in Sukkot on Friday, October 2 with a virtual edition of Guess Who's Coming to Shabbas? We will begin with a short program of songs and prayers at 5:30 p.m. and will then break out into smaller groups to enjoy dinner together. If you have a sukkah at home, please broadcast from it!

First and second day Sukkot services on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 3 & 4, will be live streamed on StreamSpot, both days beginning at 9:30 a.m. Shemini Atzeret, which includes the Yizkor service on Saturday, Oct. 10 will also begin at 9:30 a.m. on StreamSpot.

We end our holiday celebrations with **Simchat Torah on Sunday, Oct. 11 at 9:30 a.m. on Zoom.** This will allow us to interact with one another as we rejoice in the Torah. There will be fun and games for all, including Torah trivia, a dance contest, edible Torahs and more. Watch your News & Notes for details and login information.



SIGN UP TO ATTEND SHABBAT SERVICES

Would you like to attend services at Beth Abraham in person? In keeping with our protocol for the High Holy Days, we will continue to have 10 congregants present for Shabbat and Sukkot services. All of our services will continue to be livestreamed through StreamSpot and the link is the same for all of them: <https://venue.streamspot.com/72a802ed>

You must sign up ahead of time to attend. The link can be found in our weekly News & Notes email or you can call the office and we will help you sign up.

As you will be helping to make our minyan for each of these services, we ask that you please be at the synagogue on time for when the service begins and remain for the entire service (9:30-11:30 am). Enter through the (2nd floor) chapel doors, and Dennis will be there to let you in and take your temperature. Seating will be staggered to allow for safe physical distancing. Everyone needs to wear a mask for the entire service. We will send a reminder email each week to those who are signed up.

We are happy to provide this opportunity to our membership to attend services in a safe and comfortable environment.

BETH ABRAHAM
SYNAGOGUE



The Cantor's Corner

Cantor Andrea Raizen

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The holiday of Sukkot is quickly approaching. There is always much anticipation and excitement surrounding



the building of, decorating and celebrating in the sukkah. But, like so many other things that have been disrupted this year due to COVID-19, we will not be putting up the sukkah at Beth Abraham. Perhaps this

is the perfect time to finally erect your own sukkah at home. But, if that is not possible for you, you may want to consider the more far reaching ideas of what a sukkah can be and incorporate those into your celebration of the festival.

The sukkah that we are most familiar with is the temporary dwelling that our ancestors used in the wilderness as they wandered for 40 years. This was just basic protection from the elements, easily erected and taken down. It provided some sense of safety, but the Israelites also relied heavily on their faith that God would protect them. In our evening service, we recite the *Hashkiveinu* prayer in which we request, *U'fros aleinu sukkat sh'lomecha*, "Spread over us Your shelter (sukkah) of peace." In ancient times, nighttime was fraught with danger and uncertainty. This prayer, asking for God's protection during the dark of night, provided comfort, not unlike a parent tucking a child into bed for the night.

But why did the author of this beautiful prayer use the image of a sukkah when praying for peace? Rabbi Marc Sapperstein writes, "Peace is one of the highest of all Jewish values, while the sukkah is relatively basic and simple, common and ordinary. The prayer might have asked that God build a mansion, palace or grand castle of peace. Something strong, that once it is built it will stand for hundreds of years. In contrast, a sukkah is fragile and vulnerable, exposed to the elements. A strong wind can easily blow it over. You have to watch it almost constantly, care for it incessantly, lest it be suddenly destroyed. Peace, too, requires this care and attention. We erect structures of

peace with care, but they are all too easily blown over by the strong winds of group hatred and extremism, or undermined by the seeping waters of suspicion, or consumed by the fires of nationalistic self-righteousness. In order for the edifice of peace to remain standing, we have to be constantly on guard; we cannot take it for granted that peace, once achieved, will automatically endure..."

When we speak of peace in Hebrew, we use the word *shalom*. The root of this word means wholeness or completeness. From this understanding, peace is much more than ending hostility or violence, rather it encompasses both a personal and communal sense of unity and wholeness. In this time of great uncertainty, finding a sense of wholeness is at times difficult, but necessary.

This Sukkot, whether you build an actual sukkah or not, take some time to explore what *sukkat shalom*, a shelter of peace, can mean for you personally. It could simply be an object like that comfy blanket, warm sweater or favorite pair of fuzzy slippers that gives you that sense of security and comfort. For others, it might be a special place in your home to which you can escape. Others may find it on a walk outside or curled up with a good book. *Sukkat shalom* can be a hug from a loved one, cooking a meal together with the family, taking time to pray alone or gather with others to do so, in person or online.

However you celebrate Sukkot this year, whether in your own sukkah, virtually or in your own special *sukkat shalom*, I wish you all *Chag Sukkot Sameach!*

**WEEKDAY
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Login information can be found in our News & Notes weekly email and on the website.

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* of blessed memory

Ruth Bader Ginsburg: A Congregant's Reflections

In memory of the first Jewish woman on the United States Supreme Court, we share these reflections from our member, Larry Burick.

I am sad. So, please allow me to reflect, both as a Jew and as a retired attorney.

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, of blessed memory, died on Rosh Hashanah eve. But her death is not the final chapter of the equality book. Now it is up to us, who are sympathetic to her equality agenda, to carry out what I gleaned from Rabbi Ginsberg's Rosh Hashanah message – the end of each Torah Book leaves matters unresolved, incentivizing succeeding generations to write the next chapters. Likewise, Justice Ginsburg's death is her ending, but her legacy will live on with our picking up where she had to leave off. It is up to us to write the next chapters.

It is said that any Jew who dies on Rosh Hashanah is considered a Tzadik – a righteous person – a word derived from a Hebrew word for “justice.” Justice Ginsburg achieved this title long before her final days. Throughout her legal careers, she was a passionate, unwavering spokesperson for the mandate set out in a famous Deuteronomy quote, “Justice, justice you shall pursue.” Indeed, this clarion call to motivate all Jews to action

appears as a placard to the entry of her judicial chambers at the Supreme Court.

This Tzadik was a legal trailblazer. She strategically used the courts, first as attorney and then as a Justice, to channel her love of Jewish history and the horror of the Holocaust into law that advances a more diverse, inclusive, just and equal America.

This Tzadik reflected her Brooklyn upbringing by Jewish immigrant parents - she was reserved, but not a wilting violet - she never was hesitant to speak her piece. Her outspokenness was reflected in her persistent efforts to advance her equality agenda, often in pointed and powerful dissents that were eventually reflected in majority court opinions.

This Tzadik had a 24/7 work ethic. She was disciplined and meticulous. She pored over multiple drafts of every decision she authored, making sure that each word, probably also each comma, was correct. Her minions of law clerks – male and female – vouch for that!

This Tzadik was a wonderful role model. She was an inspiration to her colleagues, other lawyers, her law clerks and to millions of women over the decades who sought to mirror her achievements.

This Tzadik was very stubborn. Despite recurrent bouts of cancer, she adamantly refused to resign during the Obama years. As Republicans gained control of the Senate and a Republican

won the presidency, she insisted on keepin' on keepin' on, hoping she could continue her work until a Democrat became President.

She ran out of time. But, reflecting Rabbi Ginsberg's sermon remarks, a *New York Times* editorial notes, “Justice Ginsburg's death marks the end of her long battle on behalf of equality for all Americans. Others must now carry that fight forward.”

May peace be upon her. May we pick up where she left off. May we follow her example. May we seek to actualize her agenda – by being passionate change agents who actively promote justice and equality through the ballot box, through implementation of peaceful strategies and through engagement with others, regardless of our differences. As Justice Ginsburg once said at a Rosh Hashanah Service, “The Jewish religion is an ethical religion. That is, we are taught to do right, to love mercy, do justice, not because there's gonna be any reward in heaven or punishment in hell. We live righteously because that's how people should live.”

May her righteous memory be a blessing, *zecher tzadik livracha (zt"l)*. For those who share her passions, may her memory also be a revolution.

*Want to learn more? Join Larry virtually on Zoom on **Sunday, October 25, 2020**. He is the first speaker for the annual Brunch Speaker's Series sponsored by the Men's Club.*

COMMUNITY



Cultural Arts and Book Festival

The JCC's 2020/2021 Cultural Arts and Book Series is virtual this year. It begins in October and goes through May 2021, and all author events are free! Opening night is **Thursday, October 22 at 7PM** via Zoom. The author is Steven Levy who will discuss his book *Facebook: The Inside Story*. For more information and to register, please go to jewishdayton.org.

Machzor Return

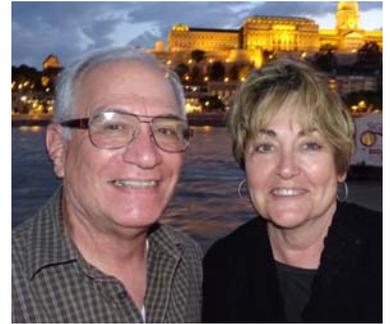
For those who borrowed books for the High Holy Days, we ask that you please return your books to the synagogue at your earliest convenience. A table is set up in the vestibule of the lower circle drive entrance where you can place your books. We will match your book numbers to those you picked up. You can return your books Monday-Thursday 7:30-5:00 and Friday, 7:30-3:30. For those books that were delivered, please coordinate a pickup with the person that brought you your book.

Life & Legacy

Help Assure Beth Abraham's Future

"Ten years ago, our family went through a very difficult time. Ten months apart, Michael and our daughter, Laura, were both diagnosed with rare cancers. Obviously, it was a devastating time for us. As they went through their surgeries and treatment, the Beth Abraham family provided so much support and care, with phone calls, cards, donations and just "being there" for us. Every Shabbat, at Shul, people asked how we were doing, and listened carefully to whatever the mood was that day; sometimes they literally let me cry on their shoulders. We chose to give a Legacy gift to Beth Abraham because of the support we have always received there, and with the hope that our gift will help ensure that future generations will benefit from the warm support the Beth Abraham family has always provided for us."

~ Ellen and Michael Leffak



All of us, regardless of age or wealth, have the ability to leave an after-life legacy, whether as a bequest in a will, a gift of life insurance, a gift of IRA or pension funds or simply cash. Please contact Elaine Arnovitz at the synagogue office (937-293-9520 or elaine@bethabrahamdayton.org) to discuss what best fits you.



CROP WALK 2020



Like everything else, this year's CROP Walk to raise funds to combat hunger, has gone virtual. This is the fifth year that Beth Abraham has been involved in this effort that helps to raise funds for The Foodbank. Last year we had 19 walkers and were one of the top fundraising teams. Since we have had to suspend collecting food at the synagogue for the last 6 months, this is a great opportunity to help support our local foodbank. You can either simply donate or sign up as a walker. This year you can walk wherever and whenever you wish. To support the Beth Abraham team:

Go to; www.crophungerwalk.org/daytonoh, scroll down to the grey search box and type in Beth Abraham Synagogue. On our team page, click "Donate" and follow the instructions. Donations should be made by Oct. 31st.

"Walk" with us by going to our team page as above, and click "Join Our Team."

If you have any questions, please contact Cantor Raizen.

New Playground at Beth Abraham

Hillel Academy has approached us about an exciting project underway to build a new playground on the grounds of Beth Abraham Synagogue. Led by Hillel, the plan is to complete the playground by mid-November. It would be located in the area outside the social hall. The Beth Abraham Board of Directors has reviewed the plans and has approved the project.

Hillel Academy has received major pledges from the Schubert, Feldman and Vandersluis families along with others. They are still seeking funds to make the playground a reality this year. If you would like to participate, please contact Andy Schwartz at ASchwartz@lionprotects.com

As we reflect back on the past year and look forward to the New Year, what better way to celebrate than by joining together to build a new playground that will be enjoyed by our Beth Abraham and Hillel children this year, and for many years to come. Please consider making a contribution to this worthy project.



A Message From Mike

Mike Freed, Beth Abraham President

This is Mike's address to the congregation on Yom Kippur.

Good morning and Good Yontiv. It



is certainly a bit strange to stand on this Bimah this Yom Kippur morning and see just a handful of my fellow congregants

in the sanctuary - not the large number of members, families and friends that typically gather at Beth Abraham on this the holiest day of the Jewish year. As I have noted in past Yom Kippur messages, even though it seems like I have had the opportunity to introduce myself to each and every one in the congregation personally over the past few years, I know that is not really true. And this year, with the possibility that we are being joined remotely by some of our out-of-town members and their families, it seems more likely that I may indeed be a new face to some of you. So for anyone I have not yet met formally, I am Mike Freed and it is an honor and a privilege to serve as your President.

Last year at this time, I stood before the congregation and talked about our 125th Anniversary Year celebration and the anticipation of the upcoming Grand Gala that would be the culmination of the year-long program commemorating Beth Abraham's 125th anniversary year. It was a commemoration of the past, the present and the future of Beth Abraham that far, far exceeded all of our expectations. It was a year that showed us all, not only the vital role that Beth Abraham plays in the lives of the members of the congregation near and far, but also the role it plays in the wider Dayton Jewish community. When I finished my remarks at the conclusion of the fabulous Grand Gala celebration in December, neither I nor anyone else in attendance would have imagined that less than 90 days later the world as we know it would change so dramatically. Yet despite all that has

changed, as we have reacted and adapted to the reality of COVID-19 over these past six months, one thing is still imminently clear to me: What a vital role Beth Abraham continues to play in our lives as individual members and in the greater Dayton Jewish community.

I am immensely proud of the efforts of so many people throughout the congregation who have accepted and met the challenge of continuing our long history of offering a full range of ritual, spiritual, educational and social programs via remote platforms. My thanks to Rabbi Ginsberg, Cantor Raizen, our dedicated staff and all of our members who have continued to volunteer their time and talents to this work. It's been our virtual evening minyans, our Kabba-Locked-In Shabbat services and our virtual Guess Who's Coming to Shabbas monthly dinners. It's been our Chesed Team reaching out on more than one occasion to all of our congregants to check on one another and to stay connected during quarantining. It's been the work of our Reopening Committee to coordinate all of the details necessary to bring video streaming to Beth Abraham making these High Holy Day services possible. And that barely scratches the surface of all that we have accomplished these past six months thanks to the work of so many. It hasn't been easy given the circumstances, but I do believe we have continued to maintain our long history of meeting the needs of each and everyone in the congregation, because of all of these efforts.

Our ability to maintain these programs, which have made Beth Abraham such a special place, depends on our ability to generate the necessary financial resources to fund the operation of the synagogue. Thankfully, our membership dues income held steady this past year. Our Giving Society program, which has been a wonderful success since its inception, continues to help by providing extra financial support beyond member's dues. But as has been noted in the past, the total of our membership dues and our Giving Society contributions do not cover the costs of running Beth Abraham. In fact, they cover only about two-thirds of the expenses of paying our clergy and staff, maintaining the building, paying the utilities, and all of the many other expenses associated with the operation of the synagogue. While we were fortunate again to receive bequest income

that helped us to close our budget gap for the past fiscal year, counting on unplanned bequest income to balance our budget is not a sustainable approach for financial stability.

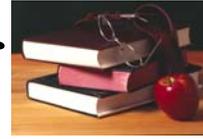
That is why the work we began over the recent years is so vital to assure the long term financial stability of Beth Abraham. We continue work to garner commitments from congregants to make after-life legacy gifts to Beth Abraham through the Jewish Federation's Grinspoon Life & Legacy program. I'm proud to report that to date, 45 congregants have signed formal Letters of Intent to leave a legacy gift to the synagogue, helping to assure that Beth Abraham will remain strong and vital for future generations to come. The response to the establishment of The 125 Fund as part of our planning for the 125th Anniversary was extraordinary. We not only raised enough funds to defray the costs of the numerous events organized as part of our anniversary celebration, but we also were able to transfer a significant balance of unspent funds to build our reserves to support future activities. We have recently started work on capital improvements to the building that we anticipate will reduce our occupancy costs in the future and we remain hopeful that the work to establish the Jewish Cemeteries of Greater Dayton will successfully come to fruition, alleviating a long term financial commitment to the Beth Abraham cemetery from our books.

While all of these important efforts show the promise of providing a positive impact in the long term to Beth Abraham's financial health, it is critical that now we also address our current financial needs so we can continue to offer the wide array of programs and services that make Beth Abraham so remarkable. As we enter this New Year, I ask each of you to participate in this Yom Kippur Appeal. Our goal is to achieve 100% participation no matter the level. In keeping with our recent tradition, we have already mailed out pledge cards to each member. For those of you who have already returned your pledges, I thank you for

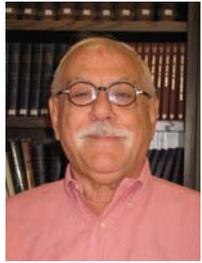
Library News - Off the Shelf

Allan Spetter

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Levi Eshkol may not be remembered as well as the other more charismatic founders of the State of Israel, such as



David Ben-Gurion, Moshe Dayan and Golda Meier. He is brought to life, however, in a very well written and informative biography titled, *Eshkol: The Man and the Nation* by Terence Prittie

available in the synagogue library book collection. Born as Levi Yitzhak Shkolnik into a prosperous family of 10 children in the Ukraine in 1895, Eshkol would leave for Palestine as part of the Second Aliyah when only 19 years old in 1914.

At the time, Palestine had a total population of about 700,000 including about 100,000 Jews. The land had been neglected as a distant unimportant territory of the Turkish Empire. The Second Aliyah brought about 35,000 Jews to Palestine between 1904 and the outbreak of World War I in 1914. Mostly young people from Russia, they worked very hard to build the institutions of what would become the State of Israel. They revived the Hebrew language and launched the kibbutz movement.

Turkey fought on the German side in World War I. When the British issued the Balfour Declaration in 1917 and liberated Palestine from the Turks before the end of the war in 1918, the Jews of Palestine could at last begin to hope for a Jewish homeland. Eshkol chose to live on a kibbutz in rather primitive conditions. He contracted malaria, a disease of almost epidemic proportions in Palestine in the early 1920s.

When Eshkol returned to good health, he became very active in Histadrut, much more than a national labor organization and one of the most important building blocks of the State of Israel. Eshkol also became a key figure in the development of the Haganah, the Jewish defense force.

The Haganah had serious problems in its early years, including a struggle with Irgun, a much more militant group, and the difficulty involved in acquiring arms.

Eshkol would be sent to Germany in early 1934 to try to determine the true situation facing the Jewish community of Germany and to try to convince German Jews to leave for Palestine. Despite the best efforts of Eshkol and others, it is estimated that only a bit more than 50,000 German Jews left for Palestine between 1933 and 1939, including about 5,000 children.

As a last resort, Eshkol convinced many German Jews to leave for any country that would receive them. Between 1933 and 1935 about 60,000 Jews left Germany. Another 100,000 Jews left Germany up to 1937. Until the outbreak of World War II in 1939 it is estimated that another 115,000 Jews left Germany. Half of Germany's Jews left, although some would go to nearby countries that would be conquered in the war.

Eshkol returned to Palestine and worked tirelessly to keep Histadrut and the Haganah together during the war years and the period of turmoil which followed, when it became apparent that the British would withdraw from Palestine. The fate of the new State of Israel may have rested with Eshkol, who had been appointed Director-General of the Ministry of Defense.

The author provides all the details about the Arab forces that invaded Israel in 1948 and why Israel survived. Every Arab nation had only a very small army, only Egypt had any aircraft, and combined the Arab nations had only a small number of tanks. The various armies suffered from a lack of coordination. In military terms, Israel had the advantage of "interior lines."

Eshkol's life would be directly linked to the growth of the State of Israel. In 1951 he became Minister of Agriculture and energetically led the development of the nation's infrastructure as a tidal wave of refugees and other immigrants poured into the country. He created the facility to guarantee a water supply and pushed for the development of new settlements and for reforestation.

Eshkol produced such outstanding results that he soon became Minister of Finance. Eshkol served for 11 years as Minister of Finance and he transformed the

nation's economy. He reduced imports and increased exports to sharply reduce the national trade deficit. Two sources of outside contributions helped Israel make it through some very hard times and to begin to prosper: large sums of money raised by the American Jewish community and significant reparations from West Germany based on an agreement reached with Israel.

Eshkol, a socialist all his life, helped found Mapai, which became the Labor Party in Israel, for many years the largest party in the Knesset. Israeli politics had the same problems as today - so many parties - that it is difficult to put together a coalition with at least 60 seats for a majority. Eshkol had a very close relationship with David Ben-Gurion, first prime minister of the State of Israel, but it would not last.

Ben-Gurion's behavior in the 1950s and 1960s has been described as erratic. He suddenly announced his retirement in 1953 only to return as prime minister. He resigned again in 1963 and actually chose Eshkol to become prime minister. The two then had a bitter dispute over perhaps the biggest scandal in the history of Israel known as the "Lavon Affair." The scandal dragged on for years and the two had completely opposite opinions.

Eshkol had his hands full as prime minister. He had to deal with Ben-Gurion and a very close ally of Ben-Gurion, the charismatic Moshe Dayan. The disputes among the three led to a split in Mapai. Israeli politics would never be the same and neither would Eshkol. He led Israel to a spectacular victory in the Six -Day War in June, 1967 and died suddenly of a heart attack while still serving as prime minister in February, 1969.



Sunday Speaker Series

The Beth Abraham Sunday Speaker Series sponsored by the Men's Club will begin this month. These will take place virtually through Zoom at 10:00 am with the link to be found on our website, Facebook page and weekly News & Notes. Bring your own brunch! Upcoming speakers are:

Oct. 25 Larry Burick whose topic is: "The Supremes under Roberts' Direction: Judicial Hits or Flops?"

Nov. 1 Jim Nathanson whose topic is: "2020: Political War or Cultural War?"



Sisterhood

Irene Fishbein

As we continue to navigate our way through our new normal during COVID-19 restrictions, I hope you are all continuing to do well. Kudos to our staff, High Holiday Reopening Committee, Rabbi Ginsberg and Cantor Raizen for making our services so meaningful this holiday season. I had the honor of being part of our minyan for two services while streaming the rest at home. I was amazed at how well the technology worked. I have to say my favorite part, was watching my dog's reaction to the shofar blowing and yes, I did get it on video.

Thank you to those who have submitted their membership dues and updated information. If you have not done so yet, please do so at your earliest convenience. There are plenty of ways to volunteer with Sisterhood. We would like to extend our greatest appreciation to Carole Marger (Membership VP) and Patty Wyke (Recording Secretary) for their years of service and dedication as they step off the

board. Their work with Sisterhood has been invaluable and we look forward to their continued participation in our programming. With that said, anyone interested in joining our board in one of those positions or as a member at large, please contact me. We always have room for women with new input and ideas to help our organization flourish.

While being together in person still presents its challenges, we can still enjoy each other's company and celebrate the season from a distance. Please join us for our **Virtual Sunset in the Sukkah on Wednesday, October 7th at 6:30PM**. Grab your lulav & etrog (if you have them), a fun beverage, some treats and join us for some comaraderie, celebration, and fun! Sign in to the Zoom link you'll find in the weekly News and Notes email. We hope to see you there!

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your contributions. If you have not yet made a pledge, I ask each of you to make a meaningful Yom Kippur Appeal pledge to help us maintain the great legacy of Beth Abraham. While only you know what your individual level of participation should be, I hope we all know that everyone must participate to make certain that Beth Abraham continues into the future for years to come.

As your President, I know that this congregation is incredibly generous. The commitment of our Giving Society members and our success with the Grinspoon Life and Legacy program are testaments to this generosity. The response to The 125 Fund campaign last year was another remarkable achievement as well. And this year, even with concerns about possible shortfalls as individuals deal with the financial impacts brought on by the COVID pandemic, our membership dues have held steady in these first few months of the current fiscal year. But it is an uncertain time and we expect the

year ahead will bring significant budgetary challenges, making this Yom Kippur Appeal so very critical to addressing our immediate financial needs. I sincerely hope that this year's Appeal will continue this tradition of generosity and I assure you that every gift, no matter its size, counts in helping to strengthen the congregation.

Four years ago, Ellen Leffak, my immediate predecessor as President of Beth Abraham, stood before the congregation to give her Yom Kippur Appeal to the congregation. But Ellen, as you might remember, didn't actually say a single word. She just stood here, in silence, at this exact spot of the Bimah for better than a minute, before beginning her remarks. The powerful image that Ellen created, that moment of silence, brought home to me, as I'm sure it did to others in attendance that morning, the silence that would exist if Beth Abraham was no longer able to play such a vital role in our collective Jewish lives. These past months have brought Ellen's vision of the silencing of Beth Abraham closer to reality than any of us could have ever imagined. But I'm proud to say, that like we have done over and over again as a congregation in our now 126 years of existence, we have not allowed it to happen. We are more than a building with

four walls and a roof. It is our heart and connection to one another that makes us the true Beth Abraham. It may look different, it may feel different, but I am certain that Beth Abraham is, and will continue to be strong with the support and commitment we all can demonstrate through this year's Yom Kippur Appeal.

I hope everyone remains safe and healthy. Remember that our Beth Abraham family is here to support one another during these trying times. Please do not hesitate to contact our clergy or staff if we can be of assistance. I hope that each of you and your families enjoy a year of good health, happiness and peace. May G-d inscribe us all in the Book of Life and bless us with strength and conviction as we move together into the New Year 5781.

Thank you.
Gemar Chatimah Tovah

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<https://venue.streamspot.com/72a802ed>

Times for Shabbat Candle Lighting & Services

Online service links can be found at www.bethabrahamdayton.org,
 Facebook, or in your weekly News & Notes email

Friday, October 2

Erev Sukkot

NO Kabba-locked-In Shabbat

Guess Who's Coming to Shabbas?

Sukkot Edition (Zoom) 5:30 pm

Candle Lighting 6:57 pm

Saturday, October 3

Sukkot I

Morning Service (livestream) 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Candle Lighting 7:59 pm

Sunday, October 4

Sukkot II

Morning Service (livestream) 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Havdalah 7:57 pm

Friday, October 9

Sukkot VII (Hoshanah Rabbah)

Kabba-locked-In Shabbat (Zoom) 5:00 pm

Candle Lighting 6:46 pm

Saturday, October 10

Shemini Atzeret

Morning Service (livestream) 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Candle Lighting 7:48 pm

Sunday, October 11

Simchat Torah

Morning Service (Zoom) 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Havdalah 7:46 pm

Friday, October 16

Kabba-Locked-In Shabbat (Zoom) 5:00 pm

Candle Lighting 6:36 pm

Saturday, October 17

Morning Service (livestream) 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Havdalah 7:37 pm

Communal Havdalah (Zoom) 7:40 pm

Friday, October 23

Kabba-locked-In Shabbat (Zoom) 5:00 pm

Candle Lighting 6:26 pm

Saturday, October 24

Morning Service (livestream) 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Havdalah 7:28 pm

Communal Havdalah (Zoom) 7:30 pm

Friday, October 30

Kabba-locked-In Shabbat (Zoom) 5:00 pm

Candle Lighting 6:17 pm

Saturday, October 31

Morning Service (livestream) 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Havdalah 7:19 pm

Communal Havdalah (Zoom) 7:20 pm

DAILY MINYAN (Zoom)

Monday through Thursday - 5:30 pm

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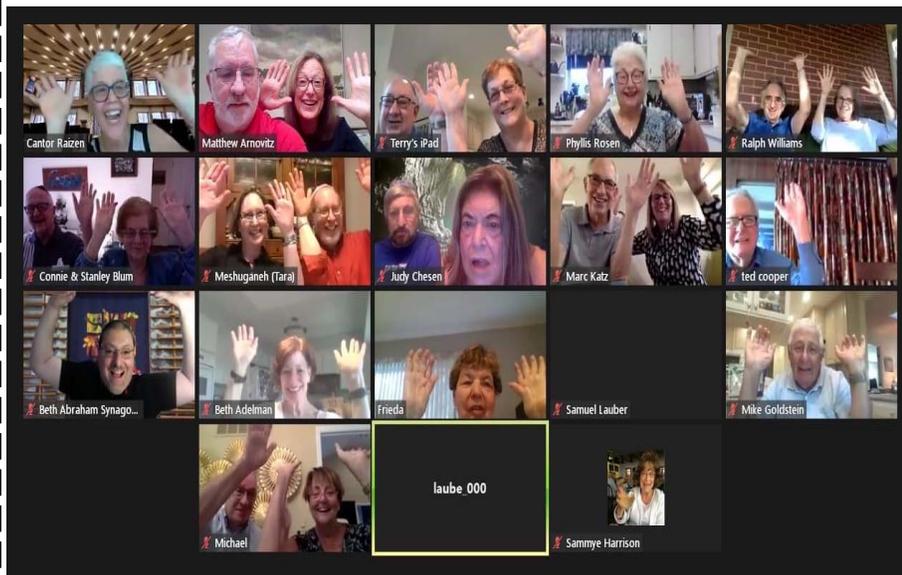
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 new home**, by Barbara Sanderow



Fun Times at Kabba-Locked-In-Shabbat

SISTERHOOD'S VIRTUAL SUNSET IN THE SUKKAH

Wednesday, October 7th at 6:30 PM by Zoom

Join us for Camaraderie, Celebration & Fun! We can't come together in the Sukkah at Beth Abraham this year, but we can still celebrate Sukkot and each other. The Zoom link will be in the weekly News & Notes email or contact the office.



In the Beth Abraham Family

Thanks to the following Service Sponsors

September 19 (Rosh Hashanah) – Marlene and Terry Pinsky
September 28 (Yom Kippur) – Russ Gottesman in memory of his grandmother Elaine Zelickman and great grandparents Rose and Joseph Ande

Thanks to the following Sponsors of the Bimah Flowers

Rosh Hashanah: Susie & Eddie Katz and family
Yom Kippur: Shelly Charles in memory of beloved parents, Philip & Thelma Sokol

We Welcome These New Members

Lisa and Ken Blum
Michael and Wincha Gelbart, Mila and Kai
Martin Jacobs and Martha Moody
Marcie and Michael Sherman, Bernie and Darah

Congratulations to those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in October

October Birthdays

1 Lynn Foster
2 Steven Horenstein
5 Dale Schiff
10 Bruce Hulman
10 Michael Leffak
10 Bernard Rabinowitz
11 Robert Bernstein
12 Phyllis Morris
12 Harriet Samler
12 Alan Scherr
13 Linda Horenstein
16 Allen Levin
20 Barbara Kessler
22 Shelley Venick
25 Gayle Moscowitz
26 Stephanie Spetter
26 Marci Vandersluis
27 Rita Mendelson
30 Jean Isenberg
31 Bethany Einstein

October Anniversaries:

10 Garry and Mindy Greene
14 David and Susan Joffe
15 Micah and Shante Naziri
18 Marvin and Linda Roden

For three generations
Dayton's traditional
Jewish Funeral Home
Marker & Heller
Funeral Homes
1706 N. Main & 5844 Old Troy Pike
275-7434

** If you have a birthday or anniversary and it is not listed above, please call the office so we can put it in the database

YAHRZEITS

This list represents yahrzeits for this month as listed in Beth Abraham's database.

If we have missed a name, please call the synagogue office at 937-293-9520 and let us know so we can update our records.

This October (TISHREI-CHESHVAN) we remember:

Tishrei

Sam Adelson
Florence Anon
Shifra Leah Apple
Sara Austrian
Anne Baume
Leah Becker
Alex Beerman
Adolph M. Berks
Jennifer Berks
Lawrence Berman
Dina Blum
Malkah Braver
Dora Brenner
Barnett Brizman
Ruth Brizman
Dorothy Brown
Helen L. Brown
Bernie Chesler
Nathan Chudde
Bennie Cohen
Jennie Cohen
Samuel Davis
Mary Louise Dreety
Abraham Dubinsky
Miriam Dworkin
Tessie Eisenstein
John Ellman
Florence Fairman
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Joseph Frankowitz
Edward Freed
Belle Friedman
Charles Frydman
Ida Goodman
Harry Greenberg
Fannie Groban
Caroline Gruenebaum
Pearl Harris
Lawrence Heller
Rose Hillelson
Ida Jacobson
Lena Jaffe
Esther T. Kahn
Blanche Kirshenbaum
Ethel Klayman
Ida Kling
Albert Kravitz
Helga Landau
Fanny Lapinsky
Shirley F. Larman
Sarah Lewis
Florence Liss
Hyman Louis
Howard Lynn

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Harry Mason
Celia Minkin
Harry Moran
Rose Musselman
John G. Petosky
Helen Pinkas
Harriet Pinkus
Ruth Precker
Albert Rabiner
Annette Rennemann
Henry Rich
Ethel Symy Ritter
Eileen Rosenberg
Herbert Rosenberg
Jennie Beila Rubin
Lore Rubin
Menucha Pesl Rubin
Richard Schear
Lillian Schmidt
Boris Schneider
Robert Schreiber
Mary Schroeder
Morris Segall
Dorothy Shane
Pauline Shapiro
Albert Sherwat
Norman Slavin
Esther Kantor Slonim
Harold Smilack
Freda Smith
Greg Smith
Sandi Soffer
Toba (Tillie) Solkov
Sarah F. Spector
Dorothy Stahl
Rose Stahl
Rose Stark
Leone Stern
Vivian Ruth Stoler
Helene Sureck
Benjamin Tannenbaum
Jack Tilson
Mark Timmer
Sylvia Wall
Juanita Warner
Allan Wasserman
Sally Wasserman
Jake Weinstein
Eva Zimmerman
Maurice A Zipperstein
Irene Zwelling
Leon Zwerner

Cheshvan

Helen Abramovitz
Clara Y. Abramowitz
David Abrams
Lilyan Abramson
Hattie Anon
Samuel Barnett
Bernard Beaman
Sarah Brateman
Lawrence Briskin
Selma Brown
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Sarah Cohen
Beatrice Cowan
Henry Cowan
Charles B. Dorfman
Sadie Dorfman
Lilian Epstein
Alex Farkus
Alissa Fein
Charles Feldman
Sarah Feldman
Chester Finn
Bernard Fisher
Hattie Fleat
Louis Frankel
Sarah B. Fred
Jean L. Friedman
Jules Garlikov
David Goldberg
Lillian Goldberg
Hyman Gordon
Poriss Gordon
Renate Harlan
Louis Hirsch
Eva Hoffman
Doris Hulman
Eva Jaffe
Avraham Dov Joffe
Vincent Johnson
Manuel Kahn
Bess Kanter
Gertrude Kanter
Louis Kaplan
Harry Klebanow
Menachem Mendl Kohn
Eli Kravitz
David Kreiger
Sadie Krueger
Benjamin Kuperman
Louis Kurs
Nathaniel Leff
Gertie Lefkowitz

Recha (Rachel) Levitt
Herman Liss
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Leah Mann
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Yaakov Marmorstein
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Ida Miller
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Abraham Rosenthal
Jack Ross
Hattie Ruttenberg
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Sidney M. Schwartz
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Todah Rabah – Thank you!

Although this year's services looked and felt much different, they were still meaningful and accessible to everyone. There are many people who worked diligently to ensure everything ran smoothly. Thank you to Rabbi Ginsberg and Cantor Raizen who worked tirelessly in planning each service, and to the Reopening Committee who thought through all the details. Many thanks for:

Streaming Services: Dale Schiff and Matt Arnovitz for researching and ensuring the installation was complete and everything ran smoothly. Also, to a generous donor who paid for the equipment and installation costs.

Book Distribution: Mike Goldstein and Beverly Louis for overseeing this project and the following volunteers who helped with distribution of the books: Maryann Bernstein, Alan Chesen, Emily Fogel, Penney Fraim, Gayle Moscowitz and Connie Roberts, as well as those congregants who delivered books to their neighbors and to those who couldn't drive. In addition, we appreciate the Pavlofsky families and Premier ProduceOne for the donation of apples, and Sisterhood and Men's Club for purchasing the honey. Judy Chesen, Irene Fishbein and Beverly Louis assembled the apples and honey for all to enjoy. Someone anonymously purchased the book bags which Lois Gross so beautifully decorated. Of course, many enjoyed hearing Cantor Raizen blow the shofar as they drove up to receive their books!

Plexiglass on Bimah: Steve Fraim constructed the plexiglass around the Torah table and Rabbi's lectern. In addition, he helped to identify where people could sit in the sanctuary to ensure physical distancing.

In Person Ark Visits: Maryann and Jack Bernstein and Steve Fraim for coordinating the process and to the following volunteers for assisting: Doug Deutsch, Penney Fraim, Garry and Mindy Greene. Jack and Maryann Bernstein also provided professional guidance on health guidelines, following CDC recommendations and local health guidelines, as well as the purchasing of appropriate PPE for the synagogue.

Sponsorships: For Rosh Hashanah, Marlene & Terry Pinsky for sponsoring the services and Susie & Eddie Katz for sponsoring the bimah flowers. For Yom Kippur, Russ Gottesman for sponsoring the services and Shelly Charles for sponsoring the bimah flowers. Thanks also to Marlene Pinsky for creating the vessel with our stained glass to put our personal notes in.

We are grateful for the many volunteers who stepped up to help with all the logistics for this High Holy Days season. What a wonderful community we have!

