



Yahrzeit Reminder

For all congregants requesting a service for a yahrzeit, the office will send out an e-mail with your request to all members of the congregation who have provided their email address. The Rabbi/Ritual Committee will provide an individual to lead the service, provided that you make your request seven (7) days in advance. However, it is up to you to make sure your request is made to the office one week prior to your request date. Most important, you must ask your friends and relatives to attend. We can not guarantee a minyan (10 people) for you. That is your responsibility.

Remember, being a member of a minyan for someone else, will assure you of getting a minyan when you need it.



WEEKLY YAHRZEITS



December 23 5 Tevet

Harry Rothman
Joseph Weiner

December 24 6 Tevet

Getrude Kahn—
Mother of Pepi Green

Betty Pasnik
Frederick Gorin—

Uncle of Lester Gorin

December 25 7 Tevet

Elizabeth Budnick
Lena Maiofes

December 26 8 Tevet

Abraham Israelite

December 27 9 Tevet

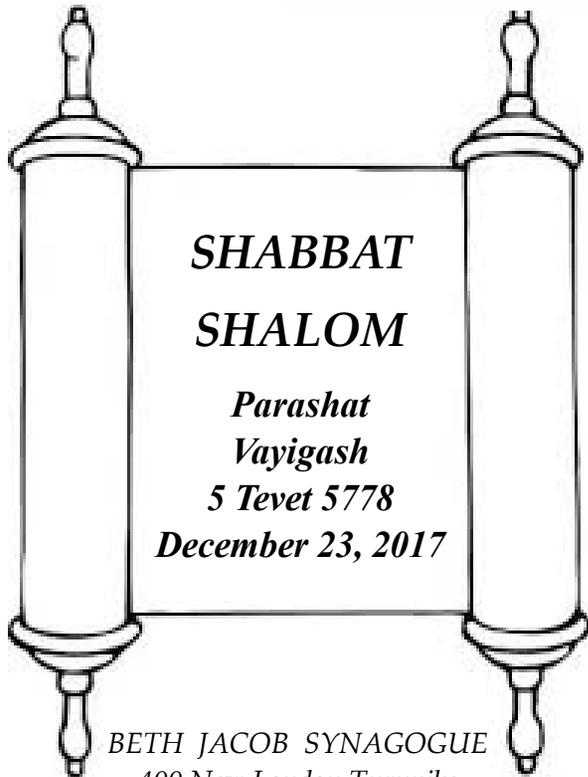
Taube Eisner

December 28 10 Tevet

Liese Himmel

December 29 11 Tevet

Lazar Markoff
Frank Rothstein—
Father of Robert Rothstein
Abraham Goldstein—
Father of Bernard Goldstein



**SHABBAT
SHALOM**

***Parashat
Vayigash
5 Tevet 5778
December 23, 2017***

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*The United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism
Rabbi Julius Rabinowitz*

President: Michael Seroussi

Regular Service Schedule (unless otherwise announced)

Friday ~ 6:00 pm

Saturday ~ 9:00 am

Morning Minyan ~ Thursday ~ 7:25 am

Calendar of Services and Events

Thursday, December 28th—Minyan Cancelled

Friday, December 29th—Evening Services at 6:00pm

Saturday, December 30th—Shabbat Service @ 9:00 am

**Kiddush will be served
following today's service**

Rav Julius' Vacation

Rav Julius will be on vacation the week of December 26-January 2. Congregants will be leading the weekly services -- and we hope that you will attend one or more services to show your support for their efforts. In the event that a rabbi is needed, please contact Michael Seroussi, and he will reach out to the rabbi that is covering for Rav Julius.

In the event that you would like to talk or communicate with Rav Julius while he is on vacation, he warmly invites you to do so and if you get his answering message, please indicate a time(s) when it would be convenient for you to receive a response from him.

Beth Jacob Reader's Circle

Steven Spielberg Biography

BJS Reader's Circle; the Spielberg books! and REVISED SCHEDULE...There is still time to "sign on." Call the office (860) 886-2459 or email (bethjacob@snet.net).

The books have arrived and are available for pick up at the Synagogue, but please make arrangements with the office, or with Rav Julius, before you come in to pick up.

Because of the lateness of the arrival of the books and the holiday period, we have adjusted the schedule:

Session 2A: Thursday Dec 21 @ 1:30 PM **The discussion will continue where it was left off last week through the end of chapter 11, page 137.**

Session 2B: There will be no second session for this group

A few weeks off for the "holidays!"

Session 3A: Thursday Jan. 4 @ 1:30 PM – **The discussion will pick up from where it leaves off on December 21 and go through the end of the book**

Session 3B: Sunday Jan.7 @ 9:00 AM – **this group will discuss the entirety of the book in this session**

Live Streaming Event for all on Tuesday, January 9th @ 7:00 PM – with the new Beth Jacob big screen TV!

Notices will be sent to remind everyone of the coming sessions AND in all the Synagogue communications.

One last thing: Voluntary contributions to pay for a book (\$15 suggested) should be sent to the office, made out to the *Rabbi's Discretionary Fund*.

Mishebeirach

Mi shebeirach avoteinu
M'kor hab'racha l'imoteinu
May the source of strength,
Who blessed the ones before us,
Help us find the courage to make our
lives a blessing, and let us say, Amen.
Mi shebeirach imoteinu
M'kor habrachah l'avoteinu
Bless those in need of healing with
r'fuah sh'leimah,
The renewal of body, the renewal of
spirit, And let us say, Amen

We are saying prayers for healing for:

Beth Camassar	Karen Blinderman
Billy Maynard	Layna Mendlinger
Cooper Somberg	Marvin Curland
David Ross Russell	Matthew Young
Florence Cormier	Phil Kurze
Geraldine Stepule	Richard Colman
Hanni Curland	Sol Hitzig
Harry Baruch	Temma Silberman
Hayley Golden	Tiffany Gravel
Hershey Rosen	Wayne Rosenfield
Jennifer Leiser	

The Jewish Federation's 2018 Community Adult Education (CAE) Program

The Jewish Federation's 2018 Community Adult Education (CAE) program is taking shape. Courses that will be offered include Science in Judaism taught by Rabbis Jeremy Schwartz and Julius Rabinowitz; Jewish Narratives of Slavery and Exile and the Black Experience in America taught by Rabbi Marc Ekstrand; the History of Anti-Semitism taught by Rabbi Ken Alter and Daniel Robinson; Jewish Washington Heights, the Amazing Story taught by Artie Dean and Jerry Fischer; and You Be the Judge, taught by Rabbi Avrohom Sternberg.

Symposiums will focus on Jews in the arts, with some participatory activities, and some fascinating talks. Symposiums are planned on Jewish music, Jewish art --- Marc Chagall and Amedeo Modigliani, and Jews in the theater and cinema -- blacklists and Hollywood.

Next year's CAE will take place on the four Sundays in January – 7, 14, 21,

and 28. All sessions begin at 2:00 pm and all sessions take place at Temple Emanu-El, 29 Dayton Road in Waterford. The first three sessions include a one-hour enrichment class and the second hour will be a Community Forum where everyone comes together to listen to a guest speaker talk about Jews in the arts. The final week, January 28, will have the Community Forum replaced by a concluding meal from 3-4 pm.

The December 22 Leader will include a listing of all the courses along with a tear off registration form for those who would like to register early. The cost to attend 2018's Community Adult Education program is \$25 (covers handouts, snacks, and concluding meal).

CAE is a program of the Jewish Federation in cooperation with Congregations Ahavat Achim, Ahavat Chesed, Beth El, Beth Jacob, Bnai Israel, B'nai Shalom, Brothers of Joseph, and Emanu-El.