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The Mission of Congregation Emanu-El Israel is: To support Judaism and the welfare of our community.

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### From the desk of Rabbi Leonard Sarko

It's the dead of the winter – I don't see any blossoming fruit trees. Just the opposite, the chill of winter is still upon us, and at this point in our calendar, seems to have lasted for a very long time. So what's up with this strange holiday called Tu B'Shvat celebrating fruit and trees in February?

According to the Ramchal, the purpose of creation was for us to receive and embrace the good that God has bestowed in this world and by doing that we attain the greatest pleasure of this world – building a relationship with God. Essentially eating the “fruits” of this world helps us connect to God.

The Torah states that fruit from trees which were grown in the land of Israel may not be eaten during the first three years; the fourth year's fruit is for God, and after that, the fruit can be eaten. Each tree is considered to have aged one year as of Tu B'Shvat, no matter when in the year it was planted. The 15th day of the month of Shvat marks the beginning of the “new year” for trees for the purpose of calculating the age of trees for tithing.

I think it is important for us to view trees not only religiously, but scientifically. Since the beginning, trees have furnished us with two of life's essentials, food and oxygen. As we evolved, they provided additional necessities such as shelter, medicine, and tools. Today, their value continues to increase and more benefits of trees are being discovered as their role expands to satisfy the needs created by our modern lifestyles. Trees contribute to the environment by providing oxygen, improving air quality, climate amelioration, conserving water, preserving soil, and supporting wildlife. During the process of photosynthesis, trees take in carbon dioxide and produce the oxygen we breathe. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, “One acre of forest absorbs six tons of carbon dioxide and puts out four tons of oxygen. This is enough to meet the annual needs of 18 people.” Trees, shrubs and turf filter air by removing dust and absorbing other pollutants like carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide and nitrogen dioxide. Trees control climate by moderating the effects of the sun, rain and wind. Leaves absorb and filter the sun's radiant energy, keeping things cool in summer. Trees also preserve warmth by providing a screen from harsh wind. In addition to influencing wind speed and direction, they shield us from the downfall of rain, sleet and hail. Trees lower the air temperature and reduce the heat intensity of the greenhouse effect by maintaining low levels of carbon dioxide.

Both above and below ground, trees are essential to the eco-systems in which they reside. Far reaching roots hold soil in place and fight erosion. Trees absorb and store rainwater which reduce runoff and sediment deposit after storms. This helps the ground water supply recharge, prevents the transport of chemicals into streams and prevents flooding. Fallen leaves make excellent compost that enriches soil.

Trees have supported and sustained life throughout our existence. They have a wide variety of practical and commercial uses. Wood was the very first fuel, and is still used for cooking and heating by about half of the world's population. Trees provide timber for building construction, furniture manufacture, tools, sporting equipment, and thousands of household items. Wood pulp is used to make paper.

We are all aware of apples, oranges and the countless other fruits and nuts provided by trees, as well as the tasty syrup of North American sugar maples. But did you know the bark of some trees can be made into cork and is a source of chemicals and medicines? Quinine and aspirin are both made from bark extracts. The inner bark of some trees contains latex, the main ingredient of rubber.

Moving back to a religious point of view, we find the following mitzvah in Vayikra: “And when you will come into the land and you plant any tree for food...(for) three years the fruit shall be restricted to you, it shall not be eaten. This verse describes the commandment known as “Orla,” which forbids the consumption of a tree's fruits during its first three years.

The Yalkut Shimoni explains that this verse is teaching us a lesson about responsibility. The Yalkut explains that if each individual knew when his or her life was going to end, the world would fall into a state of disarray.

People would not build. They would not plant. They would say "I am going to die tomorrow. Why should I bother exerting any effort that is only for the benefit of others!" For this reason, mankind was not given the knowledge of their date of demise. Now, people will be willing to prepare for the future. Being they might very well be part of that future, people will be ready to exert effort on something which they assume they will be around to benefit from.

Tu B'Shvat allows us to pause and understand the importance of trees and our environment. In an age when global warming is a major point of discussion, this holiday seems ever more relevant. Whether we do or do not plant trees on Tu B'Shvat, we should remember that we are responsible for the future of the next generation. We must not allow ourselves to become blinded by our own self-worth. We should merit to see our actions bear beautiful fruits for years to come!

*Rabbi Lenny*

### **From the President: Irene C. Rothschild**

I recently read an excellent book, titled How to Fight Anti-Semitism written by a Pittsburgh native and member of the Tree of Life, Bari Weiss. It was written for non-Jewish people and for Jewish people, as well. After a brief history of Anti-Semitism, she follows with chapters on, The Right, The Left, Radical Islam and how to fight Anti-Semitism. The book brought home to me the importance of creating and practicing security for the Congregants, staff and the building. The Congregation was fortunate in obtaining a grant from Federation to purchase a security system for the building, so now we need to utilize that system correctly and all of the time. What does that mean? It means that staff and Congregants should always be using their FOBs. It means that the doors of the building should always be locked. It means that during services, when the buzzer rings, the doors should not be opened until first checking the monitor in the office or in the hallway on the ground floor. Chances are that the person does not have a FOB and has come late to services, but we must not take the chance that it may not be a friendly person. Security for the people in the building must not be taken lightly. It only takes a minute to check the monitor in the office before opening the front door. Everyone's cooperation in this endeavor is greatly appreciated!

I would also like to address the preservation of the Congregation. If you have attended recent Annual Congregation meetings or if you read the minutes of the Board meetings, you should be aware of our financial situation. We have been running deficits for years, consequently for years, the treasurer has had to borrow from our Endowment Fund to meet the costs of operations. Unless those funds are replenished, the life of the Congregation might be shortened. We keep our expenses low and have for a very long time. Our biggest expense is for payroll. So, as you ponder your Fair Share Commitment for 2020, please consider raising your commitment to the best of your financial ability. Please do not assume that 'someone else' will take care of our deficits. This is a shared responsibility, so everyone needs to step up to help keep the Congregation financially solvent.

To that end, we will be starting a new money raising concept and that is to sell plaques to be attached to the back of chairs in the sanctuary. The plaques could be purchased in honor or in memory of loved ones. The cost has not yet been determined and will be made known as soon as the details are worked out. Also, please consider donating to the Yahrzeit Fund or any other fund of your choice that will help to defray the costs of keeping the Congregation viable for as long as possible.

Unfortunately, the Frosty Fun Arts Festival had to be cancelled, but other fundraising ideas are being considered.

Thank you so much for being wonderful Congregants! I know that I can speak for all of the Directors when I thank you for your cooperation and generosity!

*Irene*

**CHATTER**

**Happy Birthday wishes to: Michael Keating, Huddie Kaufman, Max Kaufer, Eileen Dorfman, Debbie Blozowich, Adam Goldstein, Eric Goldstein, Brian Chobirko, Phyllis Davis, Terri Katzman and Ron Vorel. Happy belated birthday to Paddy Barnhart, John Lieberman, Shoshana Halden, Jody Keating, Jack Wilder, Irene Rothschild and Lori Vivio.**

**Happy Belated Anniversary to: Shirley & Jerold Shpargel.**

**Thank you to our Menorah Lighter families: the Gau Family, the Halden Family, the Bureau Family and to Joel Last.**

**SISTERHOOD NEWS from Marion Slone**

Happy New Year! Sisterhood had a general meeting on January 14, 2020. I thank everyone who attended. We discussed our financials and reported that with the help of Jon Lewis, we received a check from Israel Bonds/Computershare for the \$500.00 principal of our lost bond. Sisterhood no longer has an Israel Bond. The calendar did well this year. We made a profit of over \$4000.00. Our Break-The-Fast made money. Our Hanukkah dinner made money and our Rummage sale brought in over \$1000.00.

We had an excellent response to our community service project of donating purses filled with personal “goodies” for the Blackburn Center. We received approximately 30 purses. Thank You Terri for the wonderful idea! Thank You to everyone who donated! We are a strong group of women!

There are changes to our Sisterhood calendar. There will be no program on February 16, 2020. In March, Cori Liptak and I will be working on the Sisterhood Shabbat Service. The changed date for the Sisterhood Shabbat Service is March 20, 2020 (not April 24, 2020). We will be asking for volunteers to participate in the service. Please say “yes” when asked. There will be no Women’s Seder in April. Instead, we are sponsoring a family Passover seder on the last night, led by Rabbi Lenny. This will be on April 15, 2020. More details will follow. Again, volunteers will be needed to set up the meal. May 26, 2020 is our closing Donor Dinner.



To help you celebrate Purim and to help the Religious School raise funds for special programming, we again are selling Hamantaschen. Below is an order form. Please be sure you submit your order to the office by Sunday **March 1**. You can pick up your Hamantaschen on Sunday, **March 8** during Religious School hours (from 9:30 AM- 12:30 PM). You must submit your payment with this order form. Thanks in advance for your support of our school.



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Cost: \$ 10.00 per dozen. \$6.00 per half dozen.**  
**Order Deadline: Sunday, March 1 with payment to the CEI office.**  
**Pick up: Sunday, March 8 (9:30am – 12:30pm)**



<u>APRICOT</u>	<u>CHERRY</u>	<u>CHOCOLATE</u>	<u>POPPY SEED</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ OWED</u>

OFFICE USE ONLY:

PAID \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK # \_\_\_\_\_  
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**ALFRED RATNER LIBRARY NEWS** by *Shirley Shpargel*

At the start of the twentieth century, a Jewish family emigrated from Lithuania in search of a better life in America, only to land on the Emerald Isle instead. They mistake Cork for New York. Nine Folds Make a Paper Swan by Ruth Gulligan is a multigenerational novel linking the struggles of two immigrant Jewish families. This novel is narrated by three central characters: Ruth, who immigrates with her family from Lithuania in 1901 and ends in Cork; Shem, struck mute after discovering his adorned mother's shocking secret, and then institutionalized in 1958; and Aisling, an Irish journalist in London in 2011, who must decide whether to convert to Judaism to marry boyfriend Noah. These three stories span generations and intertwine in revelatory ways to tell the story of Ireland's all-but-forgotten Jewish community.

Ruth at the turn of the century is a newly immigrated Lithuanian girl, the second of two daughters, in the Greenberg family, who struggles to create a home in Cork, Ireland. Her father, a peddler and dramatist, embraces the culture, while her embittered mother longs for a new life. The theme is whether Jewish emigrants to Ireland will ever be truly at home. The second story is of Shem, who loses his ability to speak on the eve of his bar mitzvah. In 1958, his parents have Shem admitted to a private asylum. His mother visits and begs him to find his voice again, but there is much more at work than she may realize. Shem is called upon to write the story of another mid-century Dublin Jew. Shem records the stories of many institutionalized Irish Jews who have suffered abuse and these pages remained hidden until recently. The final story is of Aisling, a contemporary Irish immigrant in London who must decide whether or not to convert to Judaism and marry Noah. As neither Noah or Aisling seem religious, readers may wonder why Noah requires Aisling to convert.

The origami figure symbolizes eternal love because swans mate for life. In Nine Folds Make a Paper Swan, the author's characters spend their lives searching for identities. How large a role does religion play in self-concept and is it possible to make a leap of faith are questions the author searches for. Ruth Gulligan writes expressively of the Jewish Experience in Ireland while exploring themes of assimilation and displacement. Nine Folds Make a Paper Swan is available for check out in the Alfred Ratner Library.

**TU B'SHEVAT is Monday, February 10, 2020. It is a small Jewish holiday that occurs in late January/early February, during the month of Shevat. It is also known as the New Year of Trees. On Tu B'Shevat, we celebrate the life of trees and all that they provide for us. We hope you will participate in Tu B'Shevat by purchasing a tree to be planted in Israel. Trees are \$18 each and can be purchased through the CEI office. You can plant a tree or trees for any occasion or just in honor of your family.**



**Also, plan to join us on Friday, February 7 for the Tu B'Shevat Seder at 7:30 PM in the Social Hall.**



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at Ferrante's Lakeview, Gbg.  
March 7 at 5 PM**

**It's a "Saturday Night Out" with dinner, entertainment,  
dancing and more. For more information or to purchase  
tickets visit [wdcoalition.org](http://wdcoalition.org)**

## CEI BOARD MEETING MINUTES, Wednesday, January 8, 2020

**ATTENDING:** Mary Ellen Kane, Terri Katzman, Joel Last, Virginia Lieberman, Irene Rothschild, Rabbi Sarko and Marion Slone

**MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:** The minutes of the December meeting were approved as published in the January Bulletin.

**RABBI REPORT:** Rabbi Lenny met again with Cindy Leonard from the YWCA about seeking grants. She helped him make connections with three grant institutions. He will be meeting with them to present a couple of ideas to see what they may be open to for granting funds. Then we would need to write grant requests. We would not have an answer until at least June. He attended the Racial Justice Group at the YWCA again. He also visited with Congregants who were not able to attend the Hanukkah dinner. There will be a Tu B'Shevat Seder on February 7th that may be opened to the community as an incentive for those who are unaffiliated to connect to CEI. There will also be a family Seder on Wednesday, April 15th. Rabbi has received a request to do a mock Seder at a Uniontown church in March.

**TREASURER REPORT:** Payroll is CEI's largest expense. We are keeping other expenses as low as possible. Unfortunately, Fair Share contributions and donations do not cover the yearly expenses and we continue to have to access our invested funds to cover the short-fall. It is increasingly important that those Congregants and affiliates who can increase their Fair Share commitments and donations do so to help keep CEI open for as long as possible.

**PRESIDENT REPORT AND ADMINISTRATION:** As per an article in the Jewish Chronicle of January 3, 2020, security grants will be available from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for nonprofit communal facilities such as synagogues, JCC's and senior centers. Irene registered CEI online for an application when they become available. Grants up to \$25,000 will be made outright, while grants up to \$75,000 will require matching funds. An audit done about six or seven years ago by Homeland Security recommended new doors and windows. The Capital Campaign pursued then raised enough to cover replacing the doors, but not the ground-level windows. Irene recommended that we seek a grant to cover installing new more secure windows on the lower level. Either Richard or Irene will contact John Inselmini who installed the doors about five years ago. He was recommended by Marilyn. Rabbi suggested more monitors near the doors and better lighting at driveway. Irene wrote to the Davis and Reisner Families and requested that they transfer the money in their restricted funds over to the Endowment Fund as per the discussion at the December meeting with Josh Estner, the Restricted Funds Treasurer. The Reisner Family agreed to the transfer, but the Davis Family did not. Irene notified Josh to make the transfer of funds and we will remove the Joanne Brodell Alpern Memorial Fund from the list of Restricted Funds. This action will help to bolster the efforts to maintain CEI as a viable congregation. Irene will get together with Richard to work on cashing in our Israel Bond.

### **ADMINISTRATION:**

Scott asked for the day after Christmas off and Bea asked for the day before Christmas off. Both requests were granted as paid days off.

**SISTERHOOD:** A general meeting is scheduled for January 14th. Israel Bonds/Computershare sent the check for \$500.00 for our Israel Bond. Sisterhood no longer has a bond.

**The following are changes in the Sisterhood schedule for the rest of the year:**

- No February 16 social action event. It was replaced by the purses for the Blackburn Center initiative.
- Sisterhood will sponsor the Tu B'Shevat Seder on February 7.
- Sisterhood Shabbat Service is moved to March 20 rather than April.
- Women's Seder will be replaced by a family Seder on April 15.
- Closing Donor Dinner is scheduled for May 26.

The Calendar did well again this year.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Caring:** Terri went out to lunch with Jerry and Shirley Shpargel – a very positive event in his recovery!

**Education:** The Conversion class is also working on some Hebrew. Watch for notices about the next adult education class.

**Fundraising:** The Frosty Fun Arts Festival has been cancelled. We consider this attempt to be a learning experience and will use the next year to learn more about how to better approach and organize such a large and unique fundraiser.

**Membership:** Mary Ellen has made contact with someone moving to this area with a child who would become a bar/bat mitzvah student.

**Physical Properties:** Richard will be looking into the request for more monitors and work with an electrician about options for a light near the driveway entrance.

**Old Business:** There was a return to discussion about suggestions that Joel had made to encourage Congregants to increase their monetary support of CEI. Some of the suggestions in the letter were already in place, but it motivated some other suggestions. We will look into the possibility of selling plaques affixed to the back of seats in the sanctuary to permanently commemorate loved ones or events at a lesser fee than purchasing a leaf. We agreed that the letter that seeks this year's Fair Share pledge needs to be more specific about CEI's financial needs. It was recommended that a special plea at the High Holidays similar to that done for Israel Bonds would be appropriate. It was also recommended that we go back to the former process of bringing anyone without tickets to the board room, getting their name and address and suggesting a donation. Irene and Julie will work on the Fair Share letter together and get it out as soon as possible. The effort to encourage Congregants and affiliates to include CEI in their wills will be re-invigorated.

**New Business:** Virginia will put together a nominating committee for Board elections. Irene expressed an idea for some sort of celebration of our 71 years in this building and our new Rabbi. It could be used as a fundraiser and be open to the community. This suggestion may be explored to test the possibilities.

**Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

**Deadlines for the Bulletin are ALWAYS the SECOND FRIDAY of the month.**

**The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 12, 2020.**

Minutes respectfully recorded by Virginia Lieberman, Recording Secretary, and submitted by Irene Rothschild.





## WE GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE FOLLOWING THOUGHTFUL GIFTS



### **PULPIT FLOWERS. In Memory of:**

**Jan. 10:** Carolyn Lieberman, Dr. Irving Lieberman & Marjorie Lieberman by Virginia & John Lieberman. Sylvia Moidel by Teri & Gary Moidel.

**ALFRED RATNER LIBRARY FUND:** Supports library facilities, books, & equipment.

**ARCHIVE FUND:** Helps to defray the cost of archiving the CEI material sent to the Rauh Jewish archives.

**BOB & PHYLLIS DAVIS FAMILY FUND:** Youth scholarships & enrichment. **In Memory of:** Ruth Schrag by Phyllis Davis.

**CARING FUND:** Supports congregants who are experiencing sickness, bereavement & other personal difficulties.

**CEI CAPITAL FUND:** For approved building structure repairs & replacements.

**CEI ENDOWMENT FUND:** Provides for the continuity of the congregation by subsidizing future operating expenses. A donation by the Glasser Family Foundation, Inc., Esther & Stuart Glasser & Family. **In Memory of:** Carl Ridenour by Janice & Gary Bilchik and Madeline Rossen.

**TEMPLE EMANU-EL CEMETERY FUND:** For beautification and upkeep of the Temple Emanu-El Cemetery.

**COMPUTER FUND:** Provides a means to continually upgrade & maintain CEI's computer system/software.

**COPIER FUND:** Provides a means to maintain a copier for the CEI office.

**CONGREGATION GENERAL FUND:** CEI operating expenses. A Donation by The Goldberg Family Philanthropic Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Pittsburgh, Susan & Jeffrey Firestone, Kepple-Graft Funeral Home, Inc., Lawrence Brodell, Linda & Jeffrey Reisner, Berkshire Hathaway Home Services, Robert Lampl, Mahady & Mahady, Timothy Henry of the Henry Group and Steidl and Steinberg. **In Memory of:** Dr. Gerald Browdie by Virginia & John Lieberman, Lawrence Brodell, Linda & Jeffrey Reisner and Dr. Herbert Kramer. Judith Pripstein by Lawrence Brodell, Linda & Jeffrey Reisner.

**CONGREGATION YAHRZEIT FUND: In Memory of:** Harry M. Friedlander & Leonard Pittler by Jody, Mike, Stacey & Michael Keating. Ethel Kaufmann by Margie & Alan Leisawitz. Louis Arbetter by Francine Arbetter. Sarah E. Kramer by Dr. Herbert Kramer. Carolyn Lieberman, Dr. Irving Lieberman & Marjorie Lieberman by Virginia & John Lieberman. Sylvia Felder, Isidore Felder, Sam Felder, Jennie Felder, Dr. William Felder, Mildred Caplowe & Dr. Samuel Caplowe by Joseph Felder. Sylvia Moidel by Teri & Gary Moidel. Leah Dorfman by Eileen Dorfman. Daniel Katzman by Terri & Stan Katzman. Eugene Lipowitz by Linda & Richard Liebman. Sidney Minushkin by Rachel & Bert Minushkin. Eleanor Segal by Lois Browdie. Albert Farber by Jeffrey Feryus. Alfred A. Wolf, D.P.M. by Dr. Jeffrey A. Wolf.

**IVAN B. YOUNG EDUCATIONAL ADVANCEMENT FUND:** Supports the advancement of Jewish education.

**LIBRARY BOOK FUND:** Provides for the purchase of books and other resource material for the library.

**NEW SHABBAT PRAYER BOOKS:** Provides for the purchase of new Mishkan T'filah.

**RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND:** Helps individuals and/or org. in need. A Donation by Dr. Herbert Kramer.

**REMEMBRANCE FUND:** A special donation to Sisterhood to honor or celebrate an event or person. Terri Katzman (724-837-8275) or Virginia Lieberman (724-668-2442). **In Honor of:** The birthday of Irene Rothschild by Mary Ellen Kane. The speedy recovery of Mary Ann Calabrese by Irene Rothschild. The recovery of Leslie Nemeth by Irene Rothschild and Wally Caplan. **In Memory of:** Dr. Gerald Browdie by Marla Blum, Don Gold, Irene Rothschild, Terri & Stan Katzman, Doris & Huddie Kaufman, Ronda Goetz, Marion & Bob Slone, Shoshana & Bob Halden and the Chobirko Family. Marshall Terkel by Mary Ellen Kane. Jacob Gzech by Doris & Huddie Kaufman and Wally Caplan. Ruth Schrag by Marion & Bob Slone, Mary Ellen Kane, Irene Rothschild, Terri & Stan Katzman, Shoshana & Bob Halden, Shirley & Jerry Shpargel, the Chobirko Family, Marla Blum and Yvonne Bureau.

**SIDEWALK FUND:** To provide for the repair & up-keep of the new sidewalks in the front of the synagogue.

**SIMCHA FUND:** Enables families with financial difficulties to celebrate a joyous lifecycle event.

**SOCIAL ACTION FUND:** Supports projects that benefit our community.

**TORAH REPAIR FUND:** To provide funds to repair the Torah scrolls.

**TREE OF LIFE LEAF:**



**MEMORIAL PLAQUES:**

Remember a loved one by purchasing a plaque for the sanctuary Memorial Boards. For more details, please contact the CEI office at 724-834-0560.



**Tree of Life Share your joy!** Inscribe a leaf our Tree of Life. Leaf -- \$180 ea. (Price includes engraving)



The golden leaves may be inscribed to commemorate joyous events such as births, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, graduations, weddings, anniversaries, or other special occasions. Share your joy by inscribing simchas on our Tree of Life..... an everlasting remembrance of the meaningful happy events that touch life.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GELT WINNERS:**

*Yvonne Bureau	Herb Kramer
Marilyn Davis	*Eric Lash
Donald Gold	Teri & Gary Moidel
*The Goldsteins	Robert Slone

\*Winnings donated back to CEI. Thank you to all, we appreciate everyone who participated in this fundraiser.








We continue to collect COINS FOR TORAH (to help with the Torah Repair Fund). Our goal is to collect 79,847 coins, for each word in Torah. There is a box in the social hall under the TV to drop your coins in, so please bring your spare change and help us make the goal. Thank you so much.

USED INK CARTRIDGES! We continue to collect used printer ink cartridges (any brand) to help defray the cost of office supplies. A box is on the desk in the office for the collection of ink cartridges. We appreciate everyone's help with this program.



# FEBRUARY

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND SERVICES SHEVAT - ADAR 5780

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					JAN 31   7:30pm Shabbat Service	1 <i>Bo</i>
2 9:00am Religious School (#1)	3	4	5	6	7  Deadline for Info March Bulletin  7:30pm Shabbat Service & Birthday celebration & Tu B'Shevat Seder	8 <i>Beshalach</i>
9 9:00am Religious School (#2)	10  Plant a tree today	11	12  7:00pm Board Meeting	13	14   7 :30pm Shabbat Service	15 <i>Yitro</i>
16 NO Religious School	17	18	19	20  	21   7:30pm Shabbat Service	22 <i>Mishpatim</i>
23 9:00am Religious School (#1)	24	25	26	27	28   7:30pm Shabbat Service	29 <i>Terumah</i>

*Please Note: All times & events subject to change.*

**DATES TO SAVE**

Sun., March 1  
Fri., March 6  
Sun., March 8  
Mon., March 9  
Fri., March 20  
Thurs., April 9  
Sun., April 12  
Wed., April 15  
Thurs., April 16  
Sun., April 26

Deadline to place your Hamantaschen order to benefit the Religious School.  
Birthday & Purim Celebration Shabbat Service @ 7:30 PM.  
Hamantaschen order pick up in the kitchen between 9:30 AM & 12:30 PM.  
Erev Purim  
Sisterhood Shabbat Service  
CEI Closed – First day of Passover.  
No Religious School.  
Family/Community Passover Seder. 7:00 PM.  
CEI Closed – Last day of Passover.  
Yom HaShoah Community Service at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Latrobe @ 2 PM.

Rabbi Leonard Sarko. Sara Rae Perman, Rabbi Emerita. CEI Officers: President: Irene C. Rothschild. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Terri Katzman. Treasurer: Julie Goldstein. Recording Secretary: Virginia Lieberman. Sisterhood President: Marion Slone, Men's Club President: Gary Moidel. Bulletin Editors: Mary Ellen Kane & Bea Harrison.

**FEBRUARY**



**HONORING THEIR MEMORY .... Families of the following loved ones will honor their memories and mark the occasion of their family history by reciting the Kaddish this Shabbat.**

**Jan. 31:** \*Walter Baker, \*Jane Goldberg Berkman, Anna Bernstein, Marie Vojtek Borowsky, \*Anna Brill, Rose Buchman, \*Lewis C. Daniels, \*Minnie Dates, Leah Dorfman, Simon Dreifus, \* Lt. Ivan I. Elpern, \*Celia Farber-Glantz, \*A. Harry Felder, \*Louis Grossman, \*Nahum Jacobson, \*Robert Kane, Irving Kaufer, Sadie Levin, \*Rabbi Joseph Levine, \*Alfred J. Levy, \*Louis Lewis, Eugene Lipowitz, Sidney Minushkin, Sandra Moldovan, Evelyn Neumann, Chuck Pearlstein, \*Isidor Reisberg, \*Rose Rosner, \*Bessie Rubenstein, Stanley Tattenbaum, Miriam Dreifus Wallach and Norman Weiner.

**Feb. 7:** Jack Axelrod, Michael Baranow, William Becker, Joseph Blum, \*Fannie Daniels-Solof, Helen Stoll Feuerstein, Harold Freeman, Gerald Fried, \*Katherine D. Friedlander, Samuel Glick, \*Richard T. Goldberg, Selma Greenfield, \*Anna R. Gross, \*Fannye Hochberg, Fortunee Hovav, \*Benjamin Kaufmann, Jennie G. Lasday, \*Joseph H. Levin, Edith Mindlin, \*Jay M. Morris, Bernard Redlich, \*Emma Rose, Jennie Roth, \*Frank Rubenstein and \*Ignatz Schneider.

**Feb. 14:** Dora Abramowitz, \*Sara F. Cohen, Stanford P. Davis, \*Samuel Drexler, Albert Farber, \*Fanny B. Finkelstein, Jack Glantz, Rose Barron Glick, Alvin Holtzer, Rita Jacobowitz, \*D. Levin, \*Boaz Lurie, \*Reuven Lurie, \*Zilpa Lurie, \*Andrea B. Millstein, Leonard Poster, \*Herbert G. Ratner, Sr., Noah Sassani, \*Benjamin Victor, Ivan Wolinsky and Hylton Wong.

**Feb. 21:** Lorraine Backal, \*Joseph Bayer, \*Irving Louis Bloom, \*Fanny Bloom, Anita Boas, \*Abraham Davis, Dr. Richard A. Deeb, \*Joseph Hochberg, \*Reuben Kassel, \*Frank Levin, \*Ruth Moldovan, \*Berenice D. Pittler, Adolf Rothschild, \*Harry E. Rubin, \*Morris Scott, \*Dreza Shirey, \*Sender Shirey and Ruben Whitman.

**Feb. 28:** \*Shepard A. Brightman, \*Samuel Daniels, Victor Davis, \*William Davis, LuLu B. Dreifus, \*Belle M. Friedlander, \*Louis B. Jacobson, \*Mary Levin, \*Mary Miller Levy, \*Alexander M. Miller, \*Mrs. Bessie Miller, \*Hattie Neumann, Mary Papernick, Carol Mae Sassani and \*Charlotte Shapiro.

**March 6:** \*Michael Arbetter, \*H. Samson Binakonsky, \*Noah Cohen, Freda Davis, \*B. S. Gross, \*Samuel Hodes, \*Samuel Jacobson, \*Isaac Kahanowitz, \*Pauline Liebman, Francine Lipowitz, \*Gertrude M. Ratner, James R. Ratner, \*Sarah L. Shapiro, \*Ethel Ziff Shor, \*Israel Weiner, Samuel E. Weiner and William Weiner.



\* A light will be lit on the Memorial Board

