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Temple Beth El Service Schedule

Services

Monday Morning	9:00 A.M.
Thursday Morning	9:00 A.M.
Friday Shabbat Evening	5:30 P.M.

Services and Kiddush Hosted by the Temple Beth El Sisterhood

Saturday Shabbat Morning	9:30 A.M.
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Dear Friends,

To help make a minyan. Please join us.

Temple Beth El Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9 A.M. - 3 P.M.

CANDLE LIGHTING – 5780

January 3 rd	4:20 P.M.
January 10 th	4:27 P.M.
January 17 th	4:36 P.M.
January 24 th	4:44 P.M.
January 31 st	4:55 P.M.

Please notify Temple of any **ADDRESS CHANGES** you have for the **winter or summer months**, we need these address changes if we are to continue sending the bulletin – Thank You.



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Temple Beth El Cantor Message

As we come into January, many of us will be watching football, whether of the College Championship variety (Go Buckeyes!) or the professional playoffs. All but certainly, at some point or other, a player will execute a play well and make a gesture of thanks to the heavens (presumably to God). Every time I see this, it makes me think of the Sh'ma.

I appreciate that the connection may not be intuitive, so allow me to explain. The player(s) in question is (are) expressing thanks for God's beneficence in allowing the completion of that play. The giving of thanks to God for blessings is fine; as Jews we do it all of the time. As we shall see, though, it's only part of the story.

The Sh'ma is a deceptively simple verse in the Torah: Listen up, Israel: Adonai our God, Adonai is one (Deuteronomy 6:4). We have all read and recited it many times. We get that it is a statement of God's unity. But it is also a statement of God's exclusivity. There is only one God, and none other. Only God created the universe, encompassing design and execution. Consequently God, and only God, is responsible for everything. The good and the bad have the same source.

This raises some difficult questions: how can a good God cause bad things to happen? How can God countenance the suffering of innocents? In his book 'When Bad Things Happen to Good People,' Rabbi Harold Kushner suggested that while God is all-knowing and all-caring, he is not all-powerful, and some things are beyond God's control. I have difficulty with a God who is not all-powerful, so Rabbi Kushner's explanation is not satisfactory.

Rather, since God is omniscient, I expect that God knows a lot I don't. Many of the things that, to us, appear bad or unjust may be just the opposite if seen from a wider perspective;

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Temple Beth El Cantor's Message

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a perspective that none of us is privileged to enjoy. It is the attitude of the old saying, *gam zu l'tovah* (this, too, is for the good). It is also the reason that we bless God upon hearing bad news, such as the passing of a loved one: *Baruch atah Adonai, eloheynu melech ha'olam, dayan ha'emet*.

If God is the source of all, and if all is for the good, then we would expect a Jewish football player to thank God for the plays that are successful and the plays that are broken up. It might be unorthodox, but it would be very Jewish.

Cantor Socolof



Temple Beth El President's Message

I would like to take this space to share my thoughts.

There is an emptiness in our community. It will take many people working together to try and fill the void left last month.

When the community loses a person that quietly worked behind the scenes, it takes awhile to realize just how much he did.

It is not everyday you find a person that was charitable, hard working, dependable, kind, compassionate, a trusted friend and true family man.

When he could not make Shabbat services, my phone would vibrate each time with the text, "Is there a minyan"? I would usually reply, "Yes, thanks to our newest congregants." He wanted so much to be able to attend. There are very few congregants that feel the way he did about attending services.

He was devoted to the ancestors in our five

cemeteries. No one knew those cemetery maps like he did. Having lived his entire life in Utica, he knew the history and family connections off the top of his head. He solved many inquiries that came to the temple office.

He made a mark in the Jewish community for many years. He was true to his beliefs and worried for its future.

Temple Beth El was in his heart and soul. He worked hours to make sure the finances and office matters were in order. I would receive nudges all the time to remind me what had to be done and the gentle way he prodded me along.

I will miss you my friend.

Michael may you rest in peace knowing you have left your mark on many.

Shalom,
Marsha

PS Thank you to all involved with the Chanukah dinner. It is always a pleasure to see the community come together for the holidays.

**You may drop your
Blue Box
off at the JCC or Temple.**

Thank you, Marsha



Temple Beth El Executive Director's Message

Dear Friends,

Another new year is starting for all of us. We have already welcomed our Jewish New Year by observing Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Come January 1, we have to start writing 2020, maybe think of some changes we'd like to make in our day to day routine. Let's think happy thoughts, let's enjoy mitzvahs we can perform to help others. Let's remember the year just past and move forward into the new year with positive actions and deeds.

I am still on a high from our wonderful centennial celebration. We have received beautiful letters, phone calls, and many more donations from many of our wonderful guests from years back to our present congregants.

I again thank all the amazing talented folks who made the Friday night, Saturday morning and the truly beautiful Saturday Night so very special. Without the "workers" and the "guests" from near and far we would not have such an incredible memory from Temple turning 100 in 2019.

A happy, healthy 2020 to all the Temple Beth El family.

Shalom,
Mundy



In Tribute



I've known Michael Silverman for many years, but I didn't really get to know him with any depth until we started to work together 5 years ago when he became Treasurer of Temple Beth El.

We started a friendship that was very special. Michael was very observant and learned, his mind was so organized after researching whatever he was thinking about doing and never moving forward until he was very sure of what he would accomplish.

After observing his thinking and how much we gained from it I used to think his mind was magic. How lucky I was to be an observer and learner, how fortunate TBE was to not only have him as a past president, a trustee and our treasurer but a member for so many years.

Our hearts go out to his family, Lois, Gail and Ezra, Susan and Steven and to his beautiful grandchildren Sara, Alex and Claire.

We hope the many happy memories of the past are a comfort to the family at this difficult time. May Michael's memory always be for a blessing.

Love,
Mundy

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- ☆ Charles and Rita Manning
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Temple Beth El Simcha Boards

Temple Beth El has Simcha Boards to celebrate birthdays, Bat and Bar Mitzvahs, anniversaries, graduations, weddings and honors.

If there is someone in your family or a friend you would like to recognize you do so by sending all the necessary details to the office. For \$125.00 you can make someone proud and happy forever.



Temple Beth El Memorial Boards

The long hallway where Temple Beth El's sanctuary and office are located contains our Memorial Boards. If you have a family member that you would like to memorialize, and have a memorial light lit on the week of their yahrzeit year after year you may call the office. The cost of the plaque is \$300.00.

For any questions or additional information to honor or memorialize a loved one call the office at 724 4751.

Mundy

Kosher Meat Delivery	
Order By	Delivery Date
Jan. 6 th	Jan. 14 th
Feb. 3 rd	Feb. 11 th
Mar. 9 th	Mar. 17 th
APRIL	NO DELIVERY
May 4 th	May 12 th
Jun. 1 st	Jun. 9 th
Jul. 6 th	Jul. 14 th
Aug. 3	Aug. 11
Clip and Save	

In Memory of



Michael C. Silverman

2020
HAPPY NEW YEAR

PLEASE HELP US LOCATE FAMILIES

If you know anyone who has family buried in any of our cemeteries that have family members who have gravestones in disrepair please ask them to contact us or simply send us their address and we will contact them. This way when they come to visit their loved ones they will be greeted with a clean well maintained monument.

Presentation by Lois T. Silverman

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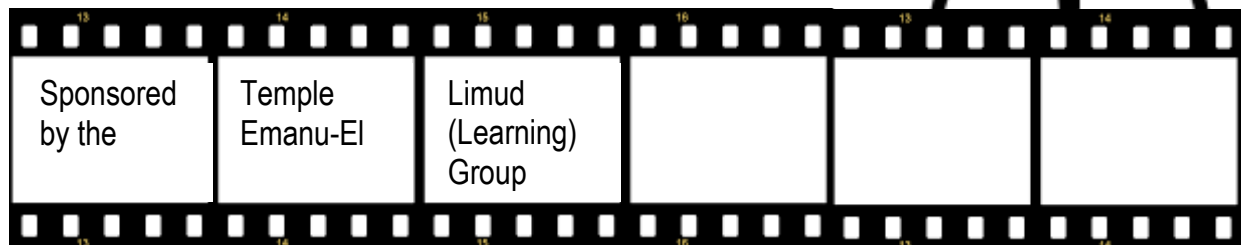
Saturday, January 11, 2020
7:00 - 8:30 PM at Temple

Lois Tannenbaum Silverman has been in Utica for over 46 years and is an active member of Temple Beth-El and the Utica JCC. She has had a long career teaching both high school and college courses. Over the years Lois has developed many film and television courses for every age group.

Lois has generously offered to do a presentation for us.

Immediately following the presentation there will be a dessert reception.

Please RSVP by contacting Rita at the Temple Emanu-El office 315-724-4177 or teuticaoffice@gmail.com



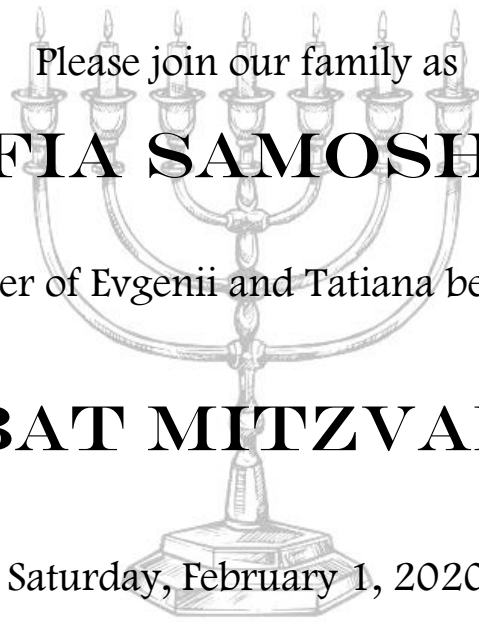


Please join our family as
SOFIA SAMOSHUK

Daughter of Evgenii and Tatiana becomes a

BAT MITZVAH

Saturday, February 1, 2020



January 31st
Friday Night
Service
5:30 P.M.
Oneg Shabbat
Hosted by friends



February 1st
Saturday Morning
Service
9:30 A.M.
Kiddush Luncheon
hosted by
Samoshuk family

A student at Clinton Middle School Sofia plays saxophone. She is a recipient of “excellent” rating at the NYSSMA (New York State School Music Association) Festival.

She and her team have won first place at the Olympics of Visual Arts in Saratoga Springs.

Sofia and her family are looking forward to sharing her special day with the community.

Temple Beth El February Simcha Grams



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS	Date	FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES	Date
Lisa Zeidner	03	Gary and Lisa Philipson	2/7/1987
Marsey Rosenblum	07	Edward and Melissa Kowalsky	2/20/2007
Tara Jonas	08		
Roz Lemel	08		
Adam Oster	08		
Charles Manning	13		
Victor Pearlman	16		
Susie Zeidner	16		
Elsie Feiner	17		
Jerome Socolof	18		
Shona Rosenblum	19		
Norman Neslin	21		
Elaine Brown	22		
Abbe Nathan Gross	23		
Judy Nathan Schomer	23		
Joshua Foote	24		
Bob Stern	29		

Enclosed is \$1.50 per name that I have indicated. I have enclosed a check made out to the Sisterhood of Temple Beth El for \$_____ for _____ (#) of Simcha Grams

Mail to:

**Rae Rosenfeld
3008 Oneida Street
Sauquoit, NY 13456**

Due by the 15th of the month

I have printed my name and date as I wish it to appear on the Simcha Gram.

Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Please call the Temple Office 315-724-4751, if you wish to add any names to the list

Congratulations

Temple Beth El January Yahrzeits

The following Yahrzeit will be observed during the week of January 4 to 10, 2020 7 to 13 Tevet 5780

These names will be read from the pulpit on Friday January 3, 2020

Augusta Abelow*	Abraham S. Goldman*	Bella Kohn*	A. Philip Rosen*
Meir Abelow Family*	Harriet Goldberg*	Israel Levinson*	Dorothy E. Smith*
Louis Cramer*	Jennie Goldstone*	Hannah Leah Lyons*	Harry Schnier*
Max W. Caplan*	Minnie Gusoff*	Leopold Lewus*	Sol Schneider*
Samuel Cohen*	Stuart Greene*	Robert Markson	Jeanette Weiss Schwartz*
Else Elias	Edward F. Jacobson*	Esther Myers	Benjamin Targer*
Howard Feiner	Helen K. Jacobs*	Max Nozik	Raymond Wolfe*
Rebecca C Friedlander*	Sina Kowalsky	Faye Norwalk*	Anne Whitestone*
Mendel Golding	Barney Krohn*	Eva Pollicove	David Whitestone*
Joseph Galinsky*	Ethel S. Kowalsky*	Sylvia B. Philipson*	Julia Yust*

The following Yahrzeit will be observed during the week of January 11 to 17, 2020 14 to 20 Tevet 5780

These names will be read from the pulpit on Friday January 10, 2020

Reba Abelow*	Hyman Freeman*	Judson Leve*	Enid Savett
Barney Abelson*	Hyman Fialko*	Pearl G. Nathan*	Hyman Sitrin*
Arthur S. Bonnett*	Irving Seldin*	Sarah R. Nusbaum*	Sara Smith*
Hattie Bloom	Edward W. Jacobson*	Esther R. Ornest*	Sarah Danzig*
Joseph Berson	Hyman L. Jacobson*	David M. Philipson*	Arline (Osna) Trapanick*
Barnet Berlin*	Bertha Glick Krohngold*	Morris Rothenburg*	Lawrence A. Tumposky*
Robert Ellis*	Betty Kowalsky*	Rabbi S. Jacobs*	Barnet Trolin*
Dorothy Friedlander*	Adrienne Gail Kroll*	Rabbi A H. Dolgoff*	Florence Weitzman*
Minnie G. Frank*			Bertha Yetra*

The following Yahrzeit will be observed during the week of January 18 to 24, 2020 21 to 27 Tevet 5780

These names will be read from the pulpit on Friday January 17, 2020

David Arlen*	Robert Ellis*	Jennie Kamino*	Dorothy Movsh Smith
Mary Sherline Blum	Ella L. Eidelhoch*	Helen Kaminkowitz*	Esther B. Sanzel
Harris Berger*	Louis Freedman*	Jacob Krohngold*	Jacob Schneider*
Zeld Berkowitz*	Sara Greenburg	Roseleine Levine	Karen Silverman*
Anna H. Bernstein*	Anna Sarah Grossman*	Esther Levine	William T. Sitrin
Samuel L. Baker*	Jacob Goldstone*	Max Levine	Florence R. Sitrin*
Harris Berger*	Myron Leonard Goldstone*	Sara Reba Levinson	Charles Weinstein
Sarah Berger*	Flora Glick*	Leo Lenchner*	Bernice Weiss*
Bella Cramer	Joshua M. Kaplan	Samuel M. Marmelstein*	Ruth Weitzman*
Jacob Coleman*	Pearl Kushner	Charles Richards	Joseph A. Yetra*
Sara Ida Comins*	Betty Kamino Kowalsky*	Moses Rosenthal*	Samuel Zavotsky*
Anna E. Demsky			

The following Yahrzeit will be observed during the week of January 25 to 31, 2020 28 Tevet to 5 Shevat 5780

These names will be read from the pulpit on Friday January 24, 2020

David Berger*	Emma Jacobson*	Joseph S. Mintzer*	Charles Sumberg*
Max Brooks*	Barnet Kirshtein*	George Nusbaum*	Elka Targer*
Henry Berger*	Bernard Kowalsky*	Herman Philipson*	Samuel Tumposky*
Leonard Bartnick*	Nathan Kowalsky*	Alice Levine Rosen	Rachel Toffler*
Morris Baker*	Helen Levy	Sophie Rubin	Louis J. Toffler*
Frances Winnick Cohen	Philip A. Lewis*	Milton Richards*	Hinda Tumposky*
Shaina Damsky*	Edith Lorig*	Samuel J. Smith*	Yetta Wolfe*
Elaine Goldstone	Adelaide G. Lumberg*	Edward Smith*	Anna L. Wolfe*
Pincus Grossman	Milton S. Manning*	Jacob Sitrin*	Morris Woloshin*
Sara Gennis*	Ruth Movsh*	Edward I. Shapiro*	Sarah Wolf*

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The following Yahrzeit will be observed during the week of February 1 to 7, 2020 6 to 12 Shevat 5780

These names will be read from the pulpit on Friday January 31, 2020

Anne Alderman*	Irving Greenfield*	Sarah Levine*	Anna Schwartz*
Max Benjamin*	Harry Greene*	Samuel Meyers*	Rose Taylor*
Beretha Blumberg*	Rachel Goldenson*	Milton M. Osber*	Anna E. Tumposky*
David L. Cohen*	Harvey Harris	Ethel G. Philipson*	Meyer Taylor*
Ida Cramer*	Harry Kamino*	Max J. Philipson*	Hyman Wertheim
Dorothy Dumain*	Anna Schneider Kossof*	Frances Katzman Revitch*	Louis Wineburgh*
Charles Finer	Herbert Kopel*	Lena Rosenthal*	Samuel J. Wolfe*
Regina C. Friedlander*	Mary Levenson*	Ben Slater	Rebecca Weinstein*
Jewel Friedlander*	Fanny Lindey*	Saria Singer*	Eliyucum Wineburgh*
David Gross			

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JANUARY 2020

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5	6 TBE Minyan 9:00 	7	8	9 TBE Minyan 9:00 TBE Religious School 4:00 PM	10 TBE Service 5:30	11 TBE Service 9:30 AM Adult Ed "Jews in Film" presented by Lois Silverman 7:00 PM
12	13 TBE Minyan 9:00	14	15	16 TBE Minyan 9:00 TBE Religious School 4:00 PM	17 TBE Service 5:30	18 TBE Service 9:30 AM
10	20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day TBE Minyan 9:00	21 TE Religious School Meeting 7:00 PM	22 TE Religious School 4:00 PM	23 TBE Minyan 9:00 TBE Religious School 4:00 PM	24 TBE Service 5:30	25 TBE Service 9:30 AM
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