



Our Past Lights Our Future

# The IsraelLight

## Office Administrators Honored

Two of our longtime treasured employees, Administrator Marcie Oelbracht and Assistant Administrator Linda McMullen were among the first friendly faces one would see during the work week at TINT until their retirement in January. Together, they helped run the inner workings of the office and greeted guests and members by phone and in person, working in tandem in our Temple office for more than 13 years. They were celebrated during the February Beatles Purim Spiel for their many years of loyal service to our temple. We will miss them dearly and hope to still see them often!

Marcie reflected after Shabbat services, "It was my honor to serve as Temple Administrator for TINT for 13 years. As I move on to the next chapter in my life, I will cherish the many friendships I have made at Temple Israel Ner Tamid. These days I am spending lots of time with my parents and family and just appreciating a slower pace. This is not goodbye —just see you later."

Linda added, "These 13 years in the office—on top of my many years on the Board of Trustees and as Gift Shop manager—have been more a pleasure than work. Thank you to Rabbi Matt and all TINT members for your friendship and support."



Flowers of appreciation from TINT were presented to former Assistant Administrator Linda McMullen and former Administrator Marcie Oelbracht, being celebrated for their service to TINT.

## Congregants Came Together for February 27th Beatles Purim Spiel

There was music and food and families getting together to enjoy and celebrate Purim at the Beatles Purim Spiel, and lots of noisemaking! Congregants brought donated Passover foods (no matzah needed) for the Hebrew Shelter Home. The Oneg Shabbat was sponsored by the Board of Trustees in appreciation of Marcie Oelbracht and Linda McMullen. The room was abuzz with joy as congregants visited each other and enjoyed a tasty meal before the service. After the service, volunteers got busy making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to help feed the hungry throughout Cleveland. Thank you all for your participation and for your help!





### Rabbi Matthew Eisenberg's Message

We had a fantastic Purim celebration Friday evening, February 27. Thank you to all of our Meshuganeh Megillah Gorilla Sponsors. We began with a delicious and joyous Queen Esther's Banquet. The Stark Family Social Hall and Sanctuary overflowed with children, adults, hamantaschen, laughter, Beatles Purim Spiel music and yiddishkeit. During the frigid and snowy winter, we wrapped ourselves up in the warmth of a vibrant Jewish community. As we do weekly, we made "peanut butter and Judaism" (PBNJ) sandwiches during the Oneg Shabbat and delivered them to those in need in homeless shelters and throughout Cleveland.

We thank God for the opportunity to do acts of Tzedakah and to help others. Through mid-March, we'll collect Passover food items (everything but Matzah) for the Hebrew Shelter Home. The religious school students will come with me in the PBNJ van to deliver to Hebrew Shelter Home. Soon, we pray, will be the arrival of spring, Pesach, longer days and more sunshine.

Among the human traits, it is important to cultivate an attitude of gratitude. The opposite is also true. Judaism teaches to never practice ingratitude. This is especially apt as we approach our joyous spring festival of Passover. If there was a nation that ancient Israel was entitled to despise, it was Egypt, right? Over centuries, the Egyptians enslaved our ancestors, and the Pharaoh attempted to murder all newborn baby boys (Exodus 1: 22). Yet, after the Egyptians had been punished with the Ten Plagues and the Hebrew slaves freed, the Torah taught: "You shall not abhor an Egyptian, for you were a stranger in their land." (Deuteronomy 23: 8)

Why would the Torah have a special concern with NOT hating the Egyptians? Rabbi Joseph Hertz, the late Chief Rabbi of the British Empire commented (Hertz Chumash page 847), the Israelites were commanded to remember that originally they were allowed to enter Egypt as guests during a period of severe famine in Canaan. Although the Egyptians later "turned on them," this initial act of kindness should never be forgotten.

And how should we live this in our daily life? If you have, in any way, profited from another person with whom your relationship later soured, you must not allow yourself to forget the earlier good the person did for you.

In the words of Rabbi Joseph Telushkin, "The prohibition against ingratitude applies not just to personal kindnesses and favors, but also to intellectual influences." Thus you should be grateful to any person from whom you have learned. If you learned the basics from a person and now you have more knowledge than she, do not forget that without her initial teachings you may not be where you are!

In the coming days, please take a few moments and express your gratitude to another person. Banish the words of ingratitude which you might otherwise speak. Your relationships with others will be better, and it will be fitting preparation for Pesach, our spring festival, when hope springs eternal and we are profoundly grateful for God's deliverance from Egyptian bondage.

Pat joins me in sending good wishes and blessings for Pesach.  
Kol tuv (all the best) and shalom,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Matthew Eisenberg".

**CONGREGATIONAL ISRAEL TRIP PLANNED FOR DECEMBER, 2027**

**Temple Israel Ner Tamid is planning a congregational trip to Israel in mid to late December, 2027. By Rosh Hashanah 2026, trip information will be in the pamphlet tower in our foyer. Come with us to Israel and Jerusalem. Encourage your family and friends to join us. There is no time like the present.**

**Temple Israel Ner Tamid**

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**Join Us!**

**“THE JEWISH TRIANGLE”  
Adult Education Class  
April 19 and 26  
10:30 a.m.**

**Tuition-Free  
Religious School:**

**Sunday School: Grades K-10  
9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. April 19, 26, May 3, 17**

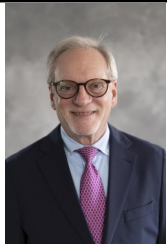
**Hebrew School: Grades 4-7, 4-5:30 p.m.  
Wednesdays, April 15, 22, 29,  
May 6, 13**

*Call the temple office for information*

**Can we email you, please?**

*Last year TINT spent \$7,500 in postage and paper, plus volunteer power, to mail statements, thank-you letters, and the IsraeLight to our congregants.*

Did you know, if we communicate with you through email, it's faster, more efficient, and saves the temple money! If you haven't received any communications from us via email, we probably don't have your updated information. Call the office at 440-473-5120 with your email address, or email us. Our TINT email is info@tintcleveland.org. We promise you won't be inundated with correspondences, only the important stuff. If you don't have a computer or a smart phone, we can still contact you through 'snail-mail'. Thank you for helping us to save money, and the environment!



## **"Change Begets Change"** ***From the President's Desk***

The Israelite is a little late this month. When you read this, Passover may have just passed, but as you know, since early December our Office Administration faced significant challenges due to two unrelated events occurring almost simultaneously, leaving us short-staffed and experiencing considerable difficulties, impacting day to day operations, such as, opening the office, handling the mail, answering the phones, sending Yahrzeit letters, and supporting the Rabbi with daily tasks. For everyone involved—especially the Rabbi, this disruption was a major inconvenience. But we adapted, because we know, change begets change. The exciting news is that we have filled both office positions of Administrator, Betsy Kasperek, and Assistant Administrator, Sherry Gavanditti. Sherry started February 11th, and Betsy on March 25th. Both are in full training, Betsy with our office and accounting procedures, and getting to know our Congregation, having already attended a Shabbat service and a Congregational dinner. Sherry with our media, social media, graphic design and other writing and photography needs and getting to know our congregants through events and day to day office interactions. Both are quite skilled, bring a wealth of experience, and can't wait to meet you all! So, stop by the office and say hello to Betsy and Sherry!

Before hiring Betsy and Sherry, we made adjustments, shifted responsibilities, tested processes, and updated systems as needed. We reevaluated job descriptions and required skills, and took our time to fill the open positions thoughtfully, to ensure our administrative team will best serve our vibrant congregation, Rabbi, Cantorial Soloist, Board, and all who contribute to Temple Israel Ner Tamid's safety and success.

This process began in mid-December. Because staff changes are personal—relationships and familiar voices matter. Welcoming new team members gives us the opportunity to refine our processes and strengthen our support for everyone in the congregation. With each resume reviewed and interview conducted, we asked ourselves: How can we communicate more clearly? Respond more efficiently? Reflect the warmth and inclusivity that define our congregation? And how can we strengthen our business and social media skills? We have accomplished finding two new additions to our team at TINT to help do all of this. You will see updates to our digital tools, social media and website, and efficient communications and responsiveness to our Congregants. We'll improve our records and business systems to better manage the information you provide, helping us run the synagogue more effectively. Our congregation deserves nothing less.

I want to thank our volunteer congregants who have generously stepped in to help manage daily tasks during this challenging time. Judy Aplis, Dinah Clark, Judy Weisberg, Alice Severovich... Thank you for your commitment and support. You each have made a difference. There are many more Thank You's needed...too many to mention. We move forward because we are indeed a Congregation that fulfills its mission together. Your presence at services is always welcome and needed. It makes us stronger.

Passover will arrive soon. Please, join us for the 2<sup>nd</sup> night for our Congregational Seder. Be with us... and may each of you and your families be well, enjoy good health, or improving health, hug your family members, and be safe. Shalom!

*Mark Friedman.*

Mark Friedman  
President

## Sweet Time Well Spent

Congregant volunteers spend Friday nights after services doing a Mitzvah and enjoying camaraderie while making peanut butter and jam sandwiches to be distributed throughout Cleveland and surrounding areas for those who are experiencing hunger. The sandwiches are delivered in the Temple's very colorful PB & Judaism van. During the Oneg Shabbat, we make 150-180 PB&J sandwiches to distribute. Rabbi Matt rides in the PB& J van on the first and last Fridays of the month, and he invites you to join him! We are making the world a better place, one sandwich at a time.

**HELP NEEDED:** *More Tzedakah drivers and volunteers are always needed and appreciated! Call us at the Temple at 440-473-5120 if you are available to help. Donations of quart-sized **ZIPLOCK** bags, various flavors of **only jam spreads & preserves** and **only** creamy or smooth peanut butter are also needed! Thanking you all in advance for your kindness and generosity!*



## Thank You to our Sponsors: Oneg & Bima Flowers

**March 6**—Oneg sponsored by Joanne Guerra, in memory of her father, David Kwait.

**March 13**— Oneg sponsored by Rabbi Matt & Pat Eisenberg, Liz & Bob Fertel, Richard & Lynda Freedman

**March 27**—Ethan & Angela sponsored the Oneg Shabbat in honor of their son James Ulysses Yeung Isaacson's naming. Mazel Tov to your family, our congregation and the Jewish people.

**April 3**— Thank you Allan Miner for sponsoring our April 3rd Oneg, "in loving memory of my dear parents Pearl & Jack whose 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary would have been April 6, 2026."

**April 10**—Shabbat Oneg sponsored by the Cicero Family and Laurie Bruder in honor of Mia Cicero's birthday and in memory of Robert Bruder, great grandpa, and grandpa, and dad, and .Melanie & Rich Kutnick in memory of her mother Betty Forchheimer

**April 10**— Shabbat Dinner sponsors are Dinah Clark, Rabbi Matt & Pat Eisenberg, Liz & Bob Fertel, Richard & Lynda Freedman, Jill and Mark Friedman and Emily and Nick Yen.

**April 10**—Shabbat Oneg sponsored by Melanie & Rich Kutnick in loving memory of her mother, Betty Forchheimer.

**April 17**—Oneg sponsored by Jill, Ilana and Mark Friedman in loving memory of their daughter Kari, Ilana's sister.

# Our Congregational Seder In Pictures!

More than 118 congregants of all ages gathered to spend time in fellowship and enjoy delicious food April 2 for the 2nd Night of Pesach at StoneWater Golf Club. Thank you all for your participation, we appreciate you and hope to see you often! If you would like to sponsor any of our programs, just call the temple office at 440-473-5120.





## Taking Time to Reach Out to Your Neighbors

Dear Congregants:

Jewish families are always looking for a temple that will fulfil their religious and communal needs. Please reach out and share the “haimishness” of your congregation with them. Bring them with you for a Shabbat Service or to our monthly Shabbat Dinner May 8th, or to do Tzedakah, or any of our activities, and please share this Temple IsraelLight and our Shabbat Announcements with them. Let them know about our tuition-free religious school and substantial adult education offerings. As a person who cares about the growth and strengthening of our synagogue, please extend your hand to others and invite them to enter our congregational family. Would you like to help me? Call me through the temple office. Todah Rabbah.

May your days be filled with health and happiness.  
Am Yisrael Chai.

Richard Freedman  
Membership Chair

### “Standing At The Edge of the Ocean”

A Concert of Hope, Determination and Freedom Brought Congregants Together

On Sunday, March 29th, TINT held a free concert featuring Noah Budin & the Promised Band presented by the Rabbi Fred Eisenberg Music Fund of Temple Israel Ner Tamid.



Dozens of congregants gathered to enjoy soulful, spiritual and uplifting songs and stories for more than an hour and a half, and were treated to

Goldie’s Donuts and coffee afterwards, with a chance to sit and reflect on the evening. Toes were tapping, hands were clapping, heads were bobbing, and hearts were filled with the rhythm of the band singing and filling the Stark Family Social Hall with joy and even laughter, as Noah has quite the sense of humor and is a great story-teller.

The concert was dubbed “Standing At The Edge of the Ocean” - A Concert of Hope, Determination and Freedom. If you wish to sponsor a concert or special event, please let us know! Call us at 440-473-5120, or send us an email at [Betsy@tintcleveland.org](mailto:Betsy@tintcleveland.org).



Front row, L to R: Elizabeth Eisenberg, Erika Gold, Helen Eisenberg. Back row, Pat & Rabbi Matt

# Men & Women Talking Torah

Why is Yom HaZikaron  
— A day of remembrance — important?

**Tuesday, April 21, 6:30-7:45 p.m. at TINT with Rabbi Matt**

Be part of lively discussions on important topics and how they relate to the Torah.  
Bring your own bible. Want to sponsor the nosh?

**Call the office at 440-473-5120.**



## Havdalah & Doughnuts!

We'd love to see you!

**Saturday, May 9, 8:36 p.m.**

Bring your family for a short and meaningful ceremony  
that gets us ready for the new week ahead

*Havdalah is a Hebrew word meaning "division" or  
"separation" and is the name of this ritual that formally ends  
Shabbat, and begins the new week.*

*Havdalah is a short, participatory service for the entire family.*

### Temple Israel Ner Tamid Mission Statement

Temple Israel Ner Tamid is a caring,  
accepting, Reform Jewish Congrega-  
tion providing a welcoming place to  
gather, pray, learn and engage in acts  
of kindness and Tzedakah.

### TINT Office Hours

Monday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Tuesday: Closed  
Wednesday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Thursday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Friday: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Saturday: Closed  
Sunday:\* 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

(\*when Religious School is in session)



Please Join Us for  
**Shabbat Dinner**  
May 8, June 5,  
July 3, 2026

Let's welcome Shabbat together and celebrate our sense of belonging and fellowship as members of Temple Israel Ner Tamid.

*No Charge for dinner.  
Donations gladly accepted.  
Reservations are a MUST,  
so we have enough food.*

**PLEASE RSVP!**

**Call 440-473-5120**

Call the office to be a sponsor.

Let's  
Get  
Together!

*Who finds a  
faithful friend,  
finds a treasure.*

JEWISH PROVERB



**Shabbat and  
America 250  
Cookout!**  
**Friday, July 3,  
6:15 p.m.**  
**Menu includes:  
Hamburgers,  
Eisenberg Hot Dogs  
And more!  
(including food for  
vegetarians!)**

Let us know if you and

**Meet Your New Administrator**



Into my first week at TINT, I quickly picked up the fast pace of the administrator's job and realized how well it pairs perfectly with my previous experience working in office administration and customer service for more than 20 years. Additionally, my non-profit experience prepared me well to help TINT achieve it's goals efficiently and I look forward to further improving and streamlining best practices to help TINT reach it's full capacity and continue serving our congregants. I am in the office Mon, Wed., Thur., 9:00 to 5:00 p.m., and Fri. from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. I am also here during Religious School on Sundays. Read more about me at [tintcleveland.org](http://tintcleveland.org). Please introduce yourself or email: [Betsy@tintcleveland.org](mailto:Betsy@tintcleveland.org).

Read more about Betsy Kasperek at [tintcleveland.org](http://tintcleveland.org)

**Meet Your New  
Assistant Administrator**

I am so excited to be here, and have thoroughly enjoyed meeting staff, board members and congregants! I am looking forward to many years of being part of the TINT family. I will be in the office Mon., Wed., Thur., 9:00 to 2:00 and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. I bring many years of office administration, non-profit marketing, graphic design, and media and public relations experience with me. I thank the many volunteers who stepped up to help during my first few weeks here. Please introduce yourself and let me know how I can help you! Email: [sherry@tintcleveland.org](mailto:sherry@tintcleveland.org).



Read more about Sherry Gavanditti at [tintcleveland.org](http://tintcleveland.org)



# Simchas!



**Join us at Shabbat Services on the last Friday of the month for birthday and anniversary blessings.**

## *Happy March Birthday to...*

- 2 Rebecca Bartko, Kristin Bell, Steven Newman, Eytan Shtoff
- 4 Richard Freedman
- 5 Jan Tucker
- 7 Janine Rosenthal, Sally Velotta
- 8 Phyllis Weiss
- 9 Alexis Denz, Kim Singerman, Doug Wieder
- 10 Lynn Lustig, Kathy Risman
- 11 Lawrence Zaslov
- 12 Bryan Lever
- 13 Angela Yeung
- 14 Richard Berkowitz
- 15 Larry Heller, Marilyn Schreiber
- 16 Ethan Isaacson, Gary Lebowitz
- 17 David Liss
- 21 Sandy Rosenfeld
- 23 Boris Ginsberg, Zachary Kumin
- 24 Jerry Rippin
- 29 Craig Appell
- 30 Melanie Kutnick

## *Happy April Birthday to...*

- 1 Patricia Eisenberg, Michael Lustig, Barbara Mervine
- 5 Suzanne Slavin
- 6 Terrence McBrady, Elizabeth Stark
- 7 Janis Kovan
- 9 Bernice Kain, Jessica Lebowitz
- 11 Reece Singerman
- 12 Mia Cicero
- 13 Smadar Lahav
- 14 Dmitriy Yarovitsky
- 15 Richard Droe, Susan Weber
- 16 Faye Berkowitz
- 17 Carol Droe, Leon Shvartsman
- 18 Madison Wessler
- 20 Matthew Cicero, Richard Sims
- 23 Julie Korolyov,
- 23 Andy Markowitz
- 24 Jan Bursky
- 25 Ellie Goldstein
- 27 Betsy Kasperek
- 27 Jacqueline Robbins
- 28 Marc Schrode

## *Happy March Anniversary to...*

- 2 Howard & Sheila Leuchtag
- 5 Brian & Stacy Davis
- 11 Leonard & Carole Naft
- 18 Mitchell & Fanette Yelsky
- 20 Jay & Sandy Kaufman
- 22 Alex & Natalya Penkhasov
- 29 Tibor & Hannah Szabo

## *Happy April Anniversary to...*

- 3 Sidney & Janet Fox
- 13 Marc & Jacqueline Robbins
- 18 Dale & Tabitha Baker
- 23 Gary & Andrea Lebowitz
- 27 Mike & Betsy Kasperek
- 28 Brian & Denise Butvin,
- 28 Michael & Lynn Kumin
- 28 Ron & Sheila Derrwaldt
- 29 Paul & Kim Singerman

**JUST A QUICK NOTE! We are interested! Please share your special events, good news and occasions with us so that we can share with our congregants! Email us or drop a note to [Sherry@tintcleveland.org](mailto:Sherry@tintcleveland.org).**

## Save the Date!



**THURSDAY, APRIL 16— Women’s Book Club. 11:00 a.m.** —Join us for discussions on current literature. March’s book was “How to Read a Book” by Monica Wood. April’s book is :The Heart of a Stranger” by Angela Buchdahl.

**FRIDAYS, APRIL 17, 24—Shabbat Service. 7:30 p.m.** In-person, plus link on our website and YouTube. Birthday and anniversary blessings on the last Shabbat of the month.

**SUNDAYS, APRIL 19, 26—** “The Jewish Triangle” Adult Education. 10:30-11:30 a.m. Taught by Cantor Josefovitz

**SUNDAY, APRIL 19—** Yom Ha-atzmaut 78 Parade— 9:30 a.m. step-off. We welcome convertibles, pickups, dogs on leashes. Parade also features a fire truck, squad car, and a MHPD motorcycle.

**MONDAY, APRIL 20, 7:00 p.m.—** Yom HaZikaron— Israel Memorial Day at Congregation Sha’arey Tikvah

**TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 6:30-7:45—** Men & Women Talking Torah. From 6:30—until 7:45 p.m.

## Summertime is Coming!

**JUNE 5—JERRY RIPPIN’S 90TH BIRTHDAY!**

**JULY 3—AMERICA’S 250th—SHABBAT CELEBRATION COOKOUT**

**SUNDAY, MAY 17—** Last day of classes & Dunk Tank, bring swimsuit and a towel! Rabbi Matt is ready to swim!

## HONORABLE MENSCHEN

### Donations may be made to:

**Bima Fund:** To maintain and enhance our Sanctuary Bima.

**Building Fund:** To maintain and enhance our building.

**Kari Friedman Memorial Religious Education Fund:** Used to support our religious education programs.

**Mack & Estelle Bossin Library Fund:** In Mack and Estelle's loving memory to maintain and enhance our library.

**Tzedakah Fund:** Supports all tzedakah projects, including the Hunger Fund, PB&J and the Teddy Bear Bank.

**General Operating Fund:** Funds TINT's daily operations.

**Rabbi Frederick Eisenberg Music Fund:** Rabbi Fred's fund to support and enhance all things musical at TINT.

**Rabbi's Philanthropic Fund:** A fund Rabbi Matt uses for tzedakah and extra budgetary needs.

**Raskin Temple Beautification Fund:** A family fund to beautify our temple and grounds.

**Henry & Carol Schoenewald Endowment Fund:** A family fund for extra budgetary needs, at the Rabbi's discretion.

**Irwin Abel Torah Fund:** In Irwin's loving memory. To support Torah study and maintain, repair, and enhance our Torah scrolls.

**Lenore & Robert November Memorial Fund:** A family fund for extra budgetary needs, at the Rabbi's discretion.

### Capital Campaign

- Thank you to those who have made monthly Capital Campaign contributions

### Kari Friedman Memorial Religious Education Fund

- Robin & Michael Kunikis

### Emil Spitzer Memorial Golf Outing Sponsors

- Dinah Clark
- Dale & Ellie Goldstein
- Kent & Linda Kemmerer
- Marcie Oelbracht

Upon three things the world is based:

Upon the Torah  
Upon Divine Service  
Upon Deeds of Loving Kindness (Chesed)

Pirke Avot 1:2

## Honorable Menschen-continued

### Rabbi Frederick Eisenberg Music Fund

- Gerald Kadis, in honor of the High Holy Days

### Irwin Abel Torah Fund

- Dinah Clark

### Rabbi's Philanthropic Fund

- Robin Baker, in appreciation
- Chanan Bergman, to support TINT
- Kim Moffa, in loving memory of father, Sam Burke
- Jeri Shore, in loving memory of father, Sanford Shore
- Kol Israel Foundation, in appreciation of "Be A Mensch" hats

## Donations made as of Feb. 17, 2026.

### General Operating Fund

- Jill & Bob Shemory, in memory of father, Seymour Press
- Ruth Gettinger, in memory of mother, Lee Seeman
- Robin & Brett Goldberg, in memory of their son, Brian

### Tzedakah Fund

Allan Miner, in honor of Sue William's 75th birthday; in honor of Joan & Randall Carmel; in honor of Cheryl Forest City Lodge, in appreciation for TINT charity work

## Memories of the Holocaust Shared by Survivor Erika Gold



On April 12, 2026, TINT congregant Erika Gold shared her experiences in the Holocaust with our congregants. Her strength and endurance is surely a gift from God. Thank you Erika, for the educational value of your memories of such a horrific time for your family and for the Jewish People.

Also, thank you Erika for sponsoring the March 19 Torah study in loving memory of your mother Jozsa Taubner and grandmother Charlotte Kovacs. Erika reminded us March 19, 1944 was the day the Nazis occupied Hungary.

You can watch her talk on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eeIQ2bS83FI>

## NOTICE:

**Due to new accounting software, we are currently unable to compile a list of donations made by credit card. We expect to have an updated list in the next *IsraeLight*. We apologize for the inconvenience.**



# Tree of Life

## They Still Live in Our Hearts

Yahrzeits that fall on Saturday are read on the previous Friday evening, as Friday and Saturday are one Shabbat, an Island in Time.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If a name is listed twice or not on the date you expected, it is because some are listed according to the Hebrew calendar date, others by the civil calendar, as per a family member's request.

If you have questions about when a yahrzeit should be observed or when a name will be read at Shabbat services, please call the office.

### Week ending March 7, 2026

#### 12 Adar to 18 Adar 5786

Max Bader ♦ Henry Becker ♦ Harry Droe ♦ Claire Feigeles ♦ Doris Fogel ♦ Sanford Goldstein ♦ Mollie Gross ♦ Frieda Hinay ♦ Robert Horowitz ♦ Gertrude Israel ♦ Norma Klein ♦ Sidney Klein ♦ Lylvia Melincoff ♦ Reuben Michelson ♦ Ida Barnett Miller ♦ Patrice Moore ♦ Dorothy Haber Nebel ♦ Gene Penkhasov ♦ Sylvia Rippin ♦ Gussie Michelson Rosenberg ♦ Milton Rothschild ♦ Solomon E. Samuels ♦ Leon Schlager ♦ Sally Sobel Smason ♦ James Sofer ♦ Joseph Sukenik ♦ Ruth Waldman ♦ Richard Wengel ♦ Colin Wren ♦ Estelle "Cookie" Zide

### Week ending March 14, 2026

#### 19 Adar to 25 Adar 5786

Lester Adelson ♦ Ruth Katz Blauer ♦ Wayne Clark ♦ Harry Golland ♦ Louis Golland ♦ Sylvester Greenbaum ♦ Anita H. Greenberg ♦ Ben Kemelhar ♦ Holly Sue Leuchtag ♦ Al Levy ♦ Frieda Lustig ♦ Joseph Lustig ♦ Harris "Bud" Miller ♦ Boris Novik ♦ Jack Rappoport ♦ Sylvia A. Rosen ♦ Harold Rosenberg ♦ Miriam Rubenstein ♦ Eva Jacobson Segall ♦ Sarah Signer ♦ Annette Solsky ♦ Herman Weinberger

### Week ending March 21, 2026

#### 26 Adar to 3 Nisan 5786

Anna Babisky ♦ Julius Baker ♦ Elaine Bauchner ♦ Margaret Bum ♦ Tiffany

Bossin ♦ Esther Brill ♦ Jill Cohen ♦ Beatrice Davis ♦ Flora Seifer De Weingarten ♦ Milton Estrin ♦ Kara Evins ♦ Alex E. Fingerhut ♦ Steve Glick ♦ Fred Goodman ♦ Ellis Lewin ♦ Arthur Lustig ♦ Harry Lyons ♦ Marie Mahler ♦ Harry B. Malbin ♦ Sandra Miller ♦ Michael Nease ♦ Rivette Orkin ♦ Joel Schaffer ♦ Edward Schwartz ♦ Patricia Shawver ♦ Abram Sheynton ♦ Cydni Ann Shore ♦ Edna Sims ♦ Ida Solomon ♦ Morris Somers ♦ Jozsa Taubner ♦ Harvey Lee Tucker ♦ Frances Selman Zake

### Week ending March 28, 2026

#### 4 Nisan to 10 Nisan 5786

Mary Ann Aronson ♦ Michel Bacos ♦ Lillian C. Baker ♦ Lillian L. Baker ♦ Harry Bayer ♦ Dr. Louis H. Brooks ♦ Sidney Brown ♦ Doris Eisenberg ♦ Maryellen Ellar ♦ Emily Goldsmith ♦ Jerome Goldstein ♦ Lucille Kastriner ♦ Myrtle Kaufman ♦ Mireille Knoll ♦ Julius Kurtz ♦ Moshe Lazarovici ♦ Holly Sue Leuchtag ♦ Judith Levi ♦ Emanuel "Manny" Levine ♦ Rosemary Lewis ♦ Emanuel Lipp ♦ Philip Lipton ♦ Saul Harold Makman ♦ Allen Robert Marks ♦ Alex Polsky ♦ Sam Rapoport ♦ Al Rosen ♦ Martin Stark ♦ Rudolf Steiner ♦ Dora Tolchinsky ♦ Carl Tucker ♦ Max Weigart ♦ Helen Westford

### Week Ending April 4, 2026

#### 11 Nisan to 17 Nisan 5786

Marc Adelson ♦ Lisa Basch ♦ Al Baum ♦ Lena Bittenson ♦ Bernice Block ♦ Martin Block ♦ Sophie Block ♦ Armand Brondfield ♦ Harry Eisinger ♦ Jeanne Feldman ♦ Jerry Gettinger ♦ Jerome Ginsburg ♦ Margarth Goda ♦ Philip Goldstein ♦ Fred Goodman ♦ Maurice Goodman ♦ Abraham Katzman ♦ Dorothy Kemelhar ♦ Sharon Kumin ♦ Holly Leuchtag ♦ Grace Levine ♦ Maria Miller ♦ Harvey Palchick ♦ Janet Paul ♦ Annette Shor Purviance ♦ Celia Rabinovitz ♦ Leonard Rosen ♦ Arthur Rothenstein ♦ Asya Sandler ♦ Esther Schumacher ♦ Abraham Schwartz ♦ Elmer Segal ♦ Mark Shoag ♦ Steve Sofer ♦ Judith Speiser ♦ Samuel Tannenbaum ♦ Lilly Topplestein

### Week ending April 11, 2026

#### 18 Nisan to 24 Nisan 5786

Stanley Addelmann ♦ Gladys Berk ♦ Morris Cohen ♦ Barbara Fogel ♦ Betty Forchheimer ♦ Jerry Gettinger ♦ Sarra Goldberg ♦ John Jasany ♦ Max I. Myers ♦ Marguerite Oelbracht ♦ Myron Partner ♦ Jerome Silver ♦ Saul Silverman ♦ Lillian Weinberg ♦ Anna Weiner ♦ Louis Weisman ♦ Milton W. Zahler ♦ Michael Zaslov

**Week ending April 18, 2026**

**25 Nisan to 1 Iyar 5786**

Dr. Jeanine Balin ♦ Ban Berger ♦ Marvin Blankfeld ♦ Fannie Cadkin ♦ Beatrice Davis ♦ Reva Davis ♦ Laurie Derrwaldt ♦ Estelle Epstein ♦ Kari Friedman ♦ Maurice Goodman ♦ Goldie Gordon ♦ Esther Greenbaum ♦ Freda Heiser ♦ Milly Kanter ♦ Albert Kaufman ♦ Rosalyn Kaufman ♦ Herb Kugel ♦ David Levine ♦ Liviu Lebrescu ♦ Mary Lipton ♦ Abraham Mendelsohn ♦ Julius Miller ♦ Sol Moskowitz ♦ Theodore Newman ♦ Helene Polien ♦ Esther D. Rothenberg ♦ Sam Rubin ♦ Max Seeman ♦ Philip Stolarsky ♦ Roslyn Stringer ♦ Harry Weinzimmer ♦ Pearl Y. Whiteman ♦ Morris Zalben

**Week ending April 25, 2026**

**2 Iyar to 8 Iyar 5786**

Isse Baker ♦ Claire Becker ♦ Daniel Buzney ♦ Marvin Cohen ♦ Aaron Dachner ♦ Ann Desatnik ♦ Roland Fair ♦ Mike Gluck ♦ Lawrence Golden ♦ Annie Harad ♦ Myrna Harad ♦ Ada Kronfeld ♦ Sarah Landau ♦ Toni Lazarovici ♦ Warren Ledsy ♦ David Metz ♦ Alita Michael ♦ Theodore Newman ♦ Lenore November ♦ Etta Roeder ♦ Lillian Helen Schuster ♦ Joseph Solomon ♦ Jules Sorkin ♦ Sanford Wasserman ♦ Alberta Weisman ♦ Rose Yelsky

**Week ending May 2, 2026**

**9 Iyar to 15 Iyar 5786**

Nancy Adelson Gleiner ♦ Robert Bruder ♦ Rosella Cohen ♦ Denie Eisenberg ♦ Sam Feldman ♦ Morris Freedman ♦ Gustave Gerstenfeld ♦ Beatrice Haas ♦ Rose Newman Haas ♦ Larry Hekelman ♦ Jack Herskovitz ♦ Nathan Kanter ♦ Dotty Kaufman ♦ Gail Malitz ♦ Isaac Sandler ♦ Alvin Schiff ♦ Rose Weisman ♦ Elaine Wren



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Shimon the Shul Mouse says: Be Nice! Kindness is contagious, patience is a virtue, and we are all in this life together.



### DO A MITZVAH! PLEASE DROP OFF:

- New or gently used/clean blankets & sleeping bags
- Warm outerwear, socks and underwear for adults & children
- Personal toiletries, especially feminine products
- Easy-open food for Food Banks: Pull-top cans of soup, spaghetti, stew; packaged meals, crackers, etc.
- Quart-size zip-top bags; smooth peanut butter (not natural) and jam or preserves (not jelly).



### Pesach Yizkor

was held on **Thursday, April 9th** at 10:30 a.m. to call to mind those whom we have loved and lost over the years.

Shavuot Yizkor will be Friday, May 22nd. All are welcome.

Join Our Annual  
Yom Ha'Atzmaut Parade  
(Israel Independence Day)  
as a Marcher or  
a Sponsor!



**Sunday April 19, 2026 ★ 9:30 a.m.**

Celebrate Israel's 78<sup>th</sup> birthday with our Religious School students and teachers, as well as escorts from the Mayfield Heights Police (a fire truck, too!) as we march around the block (about 1 mile). Join the parade in your pickup truck or convertible! Bring your dogs on a leash!

Enjoy tasty snacks after the parade.

Won't you also be a sponsor at \$180?

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