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CHAVERIM

July/August 2021 | Tammuz/Av/Elul 5781



**BOLTON
STREET**

Synagogue

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Havdalah, Rosenwald Movie Screening, and Selichot Service

Saturday, August 28, 7:00 pm

Bolton Street Synagogue is pleased to present the film, *Rosenwald*. Julius Rosenwald used the wealth he built as part-owner of Sears and Roebuck to become one of America's most effective philanthropists. By his death in 1932, Rosenwald had funded the building of 5,400 schools across the segregated American South, providing 660,000 black children with access to education. Maryland and Baltimore County are home to many of these schools.

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CELEBRATE EVEN DURING DIFFICULTY ANNUAL MEETING D'VAR TORAH

We know that when things go wrong, they can often go really wrong. This week's Torah portion, Chukkat, is the lowest of the lows. The Israelite people arrive at the wilderness of Zin, and Miriam dies there. Soon afterwards, there is no water. A drought occurs because Miriam was the bringer of the water. Moses lashes out, both because he isn't given the time to mourn his sister's death, and also because he's tired and fed up.

The challenges continue. The people travel forth from kingdom to kingdom. At each new place, the people are attacked. Skirmishes and wars break out. And, in the midst of this moment, Aaron, the second major leader, dies as well.

Death. Drought. Fighting. Rebellion. Anger. Despair. Just when things are the lowest of the low, the people arrive at Be'er, meaning well. And, God says to Moses: "Assemble the people that I may give them water. And Israel sings this song: "Sing up, O well, sing to it, the well which the chieftains dug, which the nobles of the people started." The people receive water. They stop, they celebrate, they mark the moment, and they are refreshed!

This past year has been at times, the lowest of the lows. We've been locked away in our homes. We were unable to gather together in person. We mourned loved ones on Zoom and weren't able to visit sick friends in the hospital. We saw our democracy almost crumble, as the capital was breached, as the right wing's lies about the election seemed to gain momentum. We watched as the inequalities and social inequities that have often been hidden, rose to the surface. We were angry at the racism that is so overt in the country. We felt despair at the rising tide of hatred: Islamophobia, racism, anti-black sentiment, anti-Asian sentiment, homophobia, transphobia, and of course anti-Semitism. We lived through a drought. A drought of being separated physically and a drought of kindness in our society.

Yet, here we are, standing at Be'er, at the well. Receiving new waters, new nourishment, new spirituality, in physical proximity and on Zoom, as one community.

Over the last few months, we've seen our community vaccinated. We've watched Covid rates plummet. We've been able to gather together, outside and inside: to pray and gather.

When our people gathered, they sang these words, "Sing up, O well, sing to it, the well which the chieftains dug, which the nobles of the people started..."

I know that I can't offer enough words of thanks to our chieftains, our nobles, our leaders, and advisors. This past year has been a challenging one for us all, but so many of you have stepped up by volunteering and helping out, attending meetings, sharing your voices, and spending

hours upon hours helping to make our congregation and our community stronger and more vibrant.

To our committee chairs, committee members, Board of Trustees, Executive Committee, our volunteers who helped out at in-person events, and all who provided the financial resources to keep us running at full force, thank you for your dedication to our community.

To our staff: Justine Abel, Monica Blum, Cory Hermann, Johnny McIntyre, our teachers and madrichim, you've worked so diligently and creatively and given your all. Thank you for going above and beyond and for helping us frame and reframe the work that we do. And, to Elaine Richman, our president, our chieftain and noble, who led us in the digging and started us on this journey. When you became president, you never thought that you'd spend a year and a half of your presidency by Zoom. But you have risen to the occasion, helping to provide us with a steady hand and firm optimism during a very challenging presidency. Elaine, I want to thank you for being a wonderful partner and guide. You have given me the ability to think and reflect upon how we do what we do, and you have always pushed us to think about all aspects of congregational life: from our Vision Statement, to our Covid committee, to the security of our building, and the inclusion of our members. I always appreciate your graciousness and your kindness and your constant cheerleading, making sure that Bolton Street Synagogue is proud about the good work that we do.

Long ago, our ancestors faced difficulty and challenge, the lowest of the lows. When they reached Be'er they were renewed, refreshed, and revitalized. The challenges didn't stop there. They still dealt with enemies, curses, journeys through the wilderness, and the death of a beloved leader, Moses. But, the people didn't despair as they did previously. They recognized that if they could traverse the lows of the past, the future would be smooth sailing. For they had each other, and they had strong leadership and a vision of who they wanted to become.

Our journey will continue too. We will have bumps along the road, challenges in opening up, in navigating a post Covid world, but we have a clear foundation, and we have future leaders, our next president, Leslie Margolis, Board Members, and congregants, who will join together and help us journey towards the promised land. And so, we mark this moment with song, with joy, with celebration. And onwards we travel. Amen.

Andy



ANNUAL MEETING REMARKS

LESLIE SEID MARGOLIS

It is an honor to stand before you as your new president. As some of you know, I vowed I would never do this, but Melissa, Elaine and the Rabbi are quite persuasive. Over the past year, I have had time not only to acclimate to the idea of being president but to welcome the opportunity. Let me take a few minutes to explain why.

First: If there were dictionary definitions of “ideal synagogue Board” and “ideal Executive Committee,” ours would be featured. Bolton Street’s Board and Executive Committee are comprised of extraordinarily smart, dedicated, passionate people who have chosen to give their time and their skills to lead us forward, and I welcome the opportunity to work with this outstanding group of human beings. Likewise, I am excited to have the chance to deepen my relationships with our synagogue leadership by working with Rabbi Gordon, Cory Hermann and Monica Blum in the sacred partnership that is necessary to maintain our synagogue community.

Second: As a civil rights attorney who has dedicated more than 35 years to protecting the rights of children with disabilities, I believe my leadership of Bolton Street Synagogue at this moment in time can be helpful in joining our commitment to Audacious Hospitality and inclusion with the Not Free to Desist and other anti-racism efforts we have undertaken at the synagogue. It is this work which, in many ways, brings together my spiritual life—my commitment to Tikkun Olam, with my secular life—my commitment to using the law as a tool of social change.

At the same time, I think of our many family members in Israel and am also guided by the longstanding impact of the 2014 trip to Israel I took with Rabbi Franken and other BSS members. Particularly, I think of our conversations with Anat Hoffmann, Israeli lawyer and human rights activist, and Rachel Korazim, the Israeli literature professor who, through the reading and analysis of poetry while we sat in her living room, taught us so much about the need to accept that the puzzle pieces do not always fit together and that literature can be a way to untangle difficult issues that require calm and nuanced conversation. This experience, combined with my commitment to civil rights, nurtures my hope that over the coming weeks and months, I can, as president, support our community’s efforts to find its way towards learning, studying and discussing anti-Semitism, racism, and Israel, acknowledging that we may not be able to fit all the pieces together neatly but that these issues are fundamental to our identity and to our place in the world as American Jews or as family members or friends of American Jews.

Third: When I think about my presidency, the word “transition” keeps coming to mind. Most obviously, of course, we are transitioning out of the pandemic, and it will fall to me, with our staff and leadership and all of you, to determine how we do that and what our Bolton Street community looks like as we reopen more fully.

But, we are also in transition in other ways. Russ and I just returned from Minnesota, where we had the privilege of watching our younger daughter, Rebecca, graduate from college. Some of you will remember when Rebecca inherited the chanting of Ashrei at Rosh Hashanah from Elana Rubinstein; so small that she could barely be seen over the top of the podium even while standing on a box, Rebecca then moved on to chant the Yom Kippur Haftarah for years before handpicking Maya Newman-Toker as her successor. Now Maya moves on to college as does Audrey Herskovits, whose High Holy Day Torah portion will soon be assumed by Tara Bass Goes. This is the embodiment of *l’dor v’dor*—from generation to generation, as we continue the tradition of including our youth in the chanting of our sacred texts and prayers.

We embody transition in other ways as well. Many of our previous presidents and Board members have been long-time members of Bolton Street. When I look at our current Board, however, I see many younger, newer members—the next generation of synagogue leaders, and I am thrilled that I represent a generational leadership transition between the “old-timers” and the new leaders who will carry us forward. This, too, is “*l’dor v’dor*,” as we continue the life of our synagogue and its leadership from generation to generation.

Finally: our expanding membership with our many vibrant committees and robust schedule of events, from services to social justice activities, to social opportunities, to the needs of our religious school, have enabled us to transition from being a small congregation where volunteers did everything to a mid-size congregation with the attendant need for professional staff in addition to our many dedicated volunteers. With Cory Hermann as our synagogue Education Director, the religious school is thriving, and we will look at more synagogue-wide education opportunities over the coming year. With the addition of Monica Blum as our full-time Administrator, we have added another essential person to the Bolton Street leadership community. I am excited to take on the presidency at a time when Bolton Street is doing so well. I do not take this for granted, and I am profoundly grateful to all who came before me who worked so hard to ensure Bolton Street’s survival and to get us to where we are today.

I encourage each of you to reach out to me to chat, to tell me what Bolton Street Synagogue is doing well, what we need to do better, and how we can be the inclusive community we want to be. As Lord Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, the former Chief Rabbi of London said: “Community is society with a human face—the place where we know we’re not alone.” Together, we have made Bolton Street the special community it is, and together we will work to make it an even stronger community for those of us here today and for those of us who follow.

Thank you.



STATE OF THE UNION

What follows is the main body of the speech delivered by outgoing Bolton Street Synagogue President, Elaine Richman, during our 2021 Annual Meeting on June 13. By tradition, the president delivers a “State of the Union” address.

Welcome, friends, to the 2021 Annual Meeting of Bolton Street Synagogue.

You’ll hear from me today about **Bolton Street Synagogue’s growth** in the past year and about where we are headed. You won’t be surprised to learn that things are very good. That’s the word internally and, I’m happy to say, also in the local and national Jewish community.

Before I share details, I want to express my gratitude to two people in particular who generously supported me during the past 2 years. One is my loving husband, **Ralph Raphael**, who has always championed me and our kids, our Judaism, and Bolton Street Synagogue. The other is **Rabbi Gordon**, who’s been a wonderful team-mate and teacher. Andy, you’ve helped me actualize my vision as a 21st century Jewish leader.

I want to also thank our **new congregants** for joining the Bolton Street Synagogue community and all of you who so graciously and creatively embraced a new way of gathering during COVID-19 and the cicada season, significantly those of you celebrating life events like Bar and Bat Mitzvah, Shiva minyans, births, and weddings.

Also, I want to thank the members of the Executive Committee: the fantastically talented and reflective **Lesley Margolis, Ethel Zelenske, David Conn, and Randi Reichel**.

Our Board, too, is extremely special. They’ve supported relationships with our Jewish colleagues, Jewish neighbors, and non-Jewish neighbors; they’ve fostered solidarity with our friends of color; and they’ve made sure we meet our commitment to our mission, vision, and guiding values. Thank you, **Judy Bass, Paige Finkelstein, Rachel Levine, Theresa Nicol, David Speer, Abe Wasserberger, Alexandra Weil, Ben Wilson, and Nick Windt**.

More Than a Year Ago

More than a year ago, on March 12, 2020, we stopped gathering in-person because of COVID-19.

Now, we’re taking steps to resume our communal life. Three weeks ago, we held our first indoor Shabbat services. And, just this past Friday night, we hosted guests for a special event where the presidents, a vice-president, and the rabbi of Har Sinai – Oheb Shalom Congregation presented us with a **sefer Torah** to call our own, which means, not only that we finally have a second sefer Torah, but that we also have such good friends in the community that they wanted us to have this meaningful gift.

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, we prevailed in uncountable

ways in the past year. I want to give a shout out to our **COVID-19 Prevention Task Force**, led by **Rachel Levine**. We rely on the combined science and medical wisdom of the Task Force members for staying safe.

Thanks to **Zoom** and streaming and video and phones and drive-bys, we never stopped engaging with each other. Think of our 2020 HHD services, our Purim celebration, 2021 fundraiser, regular Friday night services, Tuesday morning Boker Tov services, Tot Shabbats, weekly Torah study---to name a few.

Embracing Zoom meant that religious services never ceased. Neither did our learning, Board or committee meetings, the pastoral work on the part of Rabbi Gordon, or our office functioning.

Rabbi Gordon made our pivot to a cyber community look effortless.

Speaking of the office functioning, as of July 1, we will officially have a **full-time Administrator** for the first time in many years. Welcome, **Monica Blum**, who comes to us with lots of synagogue management experience, which we need with all the growth we’re experiencing and all of Rabbi Gordon’s commitments, including with major local and national organizations.

There are so many people and initiatives to mention. Our employees and volunteer leaders have been amazing beyond words. Please forgive me for not saying everyone’s name or project.

More Highlights

In this past year, we’ve assembled a strong team of professionals at BSS. I mentioned **Monica Blum** and want to add our very talented Director of Education, **Cory Hermann**. Cory has managed to create a rich religious school experience for our kids and families, including the madrichim who beautifully represent the future of Judaism.

I also want to mention **Justine Abel** who is just about finishing her important work with us, and our go-to person, **Johnny McIntyre**, who helps prepare the building for our activities. We’re always delighted to see Johnny.

Speaking of our building, a giant thank you goes to the **Building and Grounds** team led by **Gary Felser**. They keep an eye on the state of our building, parking lots, flower gardens and trees, and more. They know the condition of our aging systems and are ready with guidance to keep them intact. **Robin and David Kantor**, a wow goes to you, too, for the gardens you’re creating for Bolton Street Synagogue. I want to add that the garden work is leading to friendships with our neighbors who have offered plants, shrubs, and even their time.

All of our committees have been amazingly productive. I’ll go in alphabetic order and briefly mention a highlight of each:

FROM THE OUTGOING PRESIDENT, CNTD.

- You've all heard about **BOLT**, led by Board member **Ben Wilson**. BOLT is comprised of our members in their 20s, 30's and 40s. They meet up as regularly as possible for drinks, holiday get-togethers, and more.
- We have our **Caring Committee**, led by past president, **Joy Mandel**. The Caring Committee is very busy right now supporting four of our families with babies born in the last several days and weeks—congratulations to Nomi and Keith Adams, Ben Wilson and Sydney Gross, Avi and Kristen Giladi, and Paige and Noam Finkelstein.
- Our **Development and Fundraising Committee**, led by **Nancy Riess** and past president, **Melissa Zieve**, just hosted a rousing and very successful virtual Spring Fundraiser, as you know.
- The **Finance Committee**, led by our multi-talented treasurer, **David Conn**, tracks our income and expenses and proposes the year's annual budget for the Board's approval.
- The **Governance and Leadership Development Committee**, chaired by past president, **Russ Margolis**, identified new opportunities this year for training our existing and up-and-coming leaders and also helped clarify governance issues related to, for example, our bylaws.
- Our **Investment Committee**, led by past president, **Doug Carrey-Beaver**, is tasked with overseeing the synagogue's investments. You'll see that Bolton Street Synagogue has done very nicely in the past year.
- We have the **Kehillah Committee**, which supports the Religious School in a number of ways. It's been a little quiet this year because of COVID-19, but Board member, **Judy Bass**, is planning ways to reinvigorate it for the 2021-22 school term.
- Membership Engagement** has been going great guns under the leadership of Board member, **Theresa Nichol**. One of the crowning achievements this year was our robust Good Deeds Day--something else that's helped build bonds with our neighbors.
- Not Free to Desist** is a committee with Bolton Street Synagogue representatives from every other committee—led by **Judy Bass** and **Alaine Jolicœur**—to address the obligation we have to ensure belonging for **everyone** who comes through our doors.
- The **Personnel Committee** is actually an ad hoc committee with expertise in personnel matters. Thank you, Sharon Krevor-Weisbaum, and former BSS president, Ken Karpay, for your advice.
- The **Religious Culture Committee**, led by **Collin McFall**, is already at work planning a rich High Holy Days experience.
- The **Security Committee** is led by our Board Secretary, **Randi Reichel**, and by **Tim Nehl**. With the help of sources in-the-know about threats to the Jewish

community, they recommend actions to protect any vulnerabilities to ourselves and our building.

- The **6T+ group** is one of our newest groups. It's organized by **Linda Blonsley** and me. It's a little like BOLT but at a different point on the age spectrum. We cover fascinating topics together including, recently, psilocybin treatment for depression. Remember, everyone is welcome.
- I'm glad that the **Social Action Committee** (or SAC) is at the end of the list alphabetically because it's said that the things that are most remembered in a talk are those things that come first and last. SAC has been led by **Debra Brown Felser** and Board member, **Judy Bass**.

Debra is stepping off as co-chair to focus on her Black Lives Matter work. **Eli Getzoff** is stepping in. Thank you, Debra, Eli, and Judy.

Regrettably, in the interest of time, I'll simply list some of SAC-related 2020-2021 highlights:

One is our **casserole program**.

Another is our work with **Strong Schools MD**.

Through SAC we participated in **immigration actions**, including one where Rabbi Gordon spoke.

We tutored at **Margaret Brent School** and collected books and supplies for them.

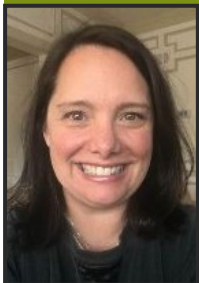
We introduced educational programs and actions on **anti-racism and white privilege**. Plus, we ran a robust **VOTE 2020** campaign, advanced the Not Free to Desist Initiative, worked on policing legislation, and joined—with leadership from Debra and **Sean Johnson**--Baltimore's BLM Interfaith Coalition.

Don't forget that SAC rallied forces to participate in **BUILD actions** where we pressed the mayor to live up to his promises and assembled 700 packages of masks and sanitizer for BUILD churches.

Separately, I want to celebrate **Marc Wernick's** leadership this year on the **LGBTQ** front. Thank you, Marc.

All of this and more in 1 year! That's why we're growing in spirituality, friendship, learning, and social justice.

Thank you all for being part of this remarkable Bolton Street Synagogue community.



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

What an amazing year we had at Bolton Street Synagogue Religious School! Even though the bulk of our school year was online, our community learned and built relationships. We were also lucky that we could meet a few times during the year to celebrate and learn in person. I am really looking forward to the time when we can gather and hear the joyful sounds of learning and community throughout the synagogue building.

As I write this, summer has begun. Time will be spent with family and many of us will head to summer camp. We are also beginning the work to prepare for the next school year. If you have not yet registered your child for the 2021-2022 school year, registration for all grades is ongoing. If you need the registration link, please email and I can send it to you. Registration links are student-specific. And, don't keep Bolton Street Synagogue a secret! We are always ready to welcome new families!

Looking ahead, our plan is to hold classes in person in September, as long as it is safe to do so and following safety protocols. Emails with the protocols and school calendar will be sent out near the end of August. Our opening session for all religious school families will be Sunday, September 12.

Be on the lookout for an exciting new initiative: Bolton

Street Synagogue Israel Experience. This is a new initiative subsidized by a generous grant we were awarded from the Jacob and Hilda Blaustein Fund for the Enrichment of Jewish Education, an endowment of The Associated. We will have programs for families on Sundays after religious school monthly, programs for teens and sessions for adults, with master Israel educator and guide, Uri Feinberg. In addition, Uri will come to Baltimore in January 2022, to join us for our congregational retreat at Capital Camps January 7-8. The initiative will culminate with a congregational trip to Israel, guided by Uri, some time in the 2022-2023 school year.

I hope this summer gives you and your family the time to get out, explore, rejuvenate and refresh. At our closing session of school, I shared this homework with our families: Get out in nature. Read a good book. Make a new friend. And, I'll add, do a mitzvah.

Have a fantastic summer!

OUTDOOR TOT SHABBAT
SATURDAY, AUGUST 21
10:00 AM



Join Rabbi Gordon for a festive service. Bring your shakers and instruments to help bring in the joy of Shabbat! Grandparents are welcome!

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE NEWS

This summer our SAC members continue to be involved in volunteer and advocacy activities, including continuing to support important voting and racial justice initiatives. In July, we also welcomed a transition in SAC leadership. At our June meeting, we said our thank yous to Debra Brown Felser for her amazing leadership these last 3 years – we really wouldn't be where we are without her! And, we welcomed Eli Getzoff Testa as the new co-chair, with all her new energy and ideas – we've got great things coming. In terms of advocacy, we will continue to focus on voting rights, racial justice, supporting the implementation of the Kirwan Commission to support our City schools - all working towards a more inclusive, just, and safe community for everyone. We will also continue to identify volunteer opportunities within the Jewish community and in Baltimore at large. New initiatives and activities are always being introduced, so please bring your ideas to the group.

Please join us at one of our monthly meetings or any of our synagogue or community events – or just drop us a line if you want to learn more about how to get involved.

Judy and Eli
SAC Co-chairs





-SAVE THE DATE-

FRIDAY, JULY 30
FOLLOWING OUR 6:30
SHABBAT SERVICE

**BSS SUMMER
GATHERING**

SPONSORED BY THE
MEMBERSHIP ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The card features a dark blue background with two white tuning forks, one on the left and one on the right, each with a yellow handle. A yellow wavy line is positioned below the main title.



6T+ GROUP

Music, art, books, thoughtful discussion,
and more!

- Summer Events -

July 20- Ancient Climate & Human Evolution
August 17- In-Person Pot Luck

SAVE THE DATE



Schedule of Services

September 6

Erev Rosh Hashanah

6:15 pm- Prelude

6:30 pm- Outdoor Service

September 7

Rosh Hashanah

9:30 am- Rosh Hashanah Service

12:00 pm- Tashlich

2:30 pm- Outdoor Family Service

3:15 pm- Outdoor Shofar & Tashlich

September 8

Rosh Hashanah 2nd Day

9:30 am- Rosh Hashanah Service

September 15

Kol Nidre

6:45 pm- Prelude

7:15 pm- Kol Nidre Service

September 16

Yom Kippur

9:30 am- Yom Kippur Service

12:15 pm- Yizkor

2:30 pm- Adult Study

2:30 pm- Outdoor Family Service

4:00 pm- Yom Kippur Afternoon Service

5:00 pm- Healing Service

5:45 pm- Neilah

September 20

Erev Sukkot

6:45 pm – Erev Sukkot Service

September 26

Simchat Torah

10:30 am- Simchat Torah Service with Consecration

September 28

Shemini Atzeret

7:30 am- Yizkor Service

More detailed information about services, activities and registration will be forthcoming.

YAHREZITS

July 2021

07/01/2021	Ardine Spira, mother of Adam Spira
07/02/2021	Irwin Kline, father of Tonie Kline
07/03/2021	Edith K. Wald, mother of Mitch Wald
07/05/2021	Bobbie Feinstein, mother of Miriam Lupien
07/06/2021	Isydor Herz, father-in-law of Bernard Berkowitz
07/08/2021	Oly Gerstenberg, grandmother of Marion Ehrlich
07/08/2021	Alfred Sette, father of Sarah Sette
07/08/2021	Dorothy Weitz, mother of Anne Hamburger
07/09/2021	Barbara Brown, mother of Debra Brown Felser
07/09/2021	Roger Dalsheimer, uncle of Nancy Savage & friend of Sandra Hess
07/09/2021	Jackie Dobry, sister of Cheryl Hindes
07/16/2021	Sarah Clark, mother of Dexter Clark
07/16/2021	Rose Belkowitz Scherr, mother of Stanley Scherr
07/17/2021	Beatrice Hamburger, mother of David Hamburger
07/18/2021	Harry C. Fogler, father of Dawn Cohen
07/22/2021	Mollie Rosenberg, grandmother of Sara Rybczynski
07/23/2021	Eva Jacobi, aunt of Karen Brown
07/24/2021	Sidney Schwartzstein, father of Sheila Thaler
07/25/2021	Walter Brown, father of Debra Brown Felser
07/25/2021	Jacob B. Gilstein, father of Saul Gilstein
07/28/2021	James Lippman, grandfather of Dena Shaffer
07/28/2021	Benjamin O'Neall, nephew of Patrick O' Neall & nephew of Eleanor Simon
07/31/2021	Joyce Hartman, mother of Alison Hartman

August 2021

8/01/2021	Helen Mason Rubin, mother of Amy Rubin
8/02/2021	Bettie Brenner, mother of Mark Brenner
8/09/2021	Elsie Schwartzstein, mother of Sheila Thaler
8/11/2021	Lennard J. Wissow, father of Larry Wissow
8/15/2021	Philip D. Zieve, father of Melissa Zieve
8/16/2021	Louis Friedman, grandfather of Louis Blank
8/16/2021	Carol Leah Hartstein, mother of Marc Hartstein
8/23/2021	Herbert Hamburger, father of David Hamburger
8/23/2021	Hilary Kilberg, aunt of Melissa Zieve
8/23/2021	Florence Pestcoe, mother of Ilena Lurie
8/27/2021	Pearl Neff, grandmother of Roni Neff
8/28/2021	Betty Carrey, mother of Nancy Carrey-Beaver
8/28/2021	Robert Gerard, nephew of Hilda Coyne
8/29/2021	James Weisbart, husband of Bayla Weisbart
8/30/2021	Elaine Wissow, mother of Larry Wissow
8/31/2021	Mildred Kiel, grandmother of Melissa Perlin



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Leslie & Russ Margolis, in honor of the birth of Naomi Giladi
Leslie & Russ Margolis, in honor of the birth of Hallel Adams
Elaine Richman & Ralph Raphael, in honor of the graduation of Audrey Herskovits, Liza Sheehy, and Josh Barker
Elaine Richman & Ralph Raphael, in honor of the BSS Religious School teachers
Ethel Zelenske, in memory of Jacques Zielinski
Lisa Zabner, in memory of Mike Zabner

CALENDAR

JULY 2021

2	6:30 PM	Chardonnay Shabbat & Welcome for Monica Blum
5		Office Closed, Independence Day Observed
7	7:00 PM	Social Action Committee Meeting
9	6:30 PM	Shabbat Service
15	7:00 PM	Membership Engagement Committee Meeting
16	6:30 PM	Shabbat Service
20	5:30 PM	60s+ Group Program
23	6:30 PM	Shabbat Service
28	7:00 PM	Board of Trustees Meeting
30	6:30 PM	Shabbat Service
	7:30 PM	BSS Summer Gathering

AUGUST 2021

4	7:00 PM	Social Action Committee Meeting
6	6:30 PM	Shabbat Service
13	6:30 PM	Shabbat Service
17	5:30 PM	60s+ Group Program
19	7:00 PM	Membership Engagement Committee Meeting
20	6:30 PM	Wine & Cheese Shabbat Service
21	10:00 AM	Outdoor Tot Shabbat
25	7:00 PM	Board of Trustees Meeting
27	6:30 PM	Shabbat Service
28	7:30 PM	Havdalah, Rosenwald Movie, & Selichot Service
29	11:00 AM	Prayer Book Pick-Up

*Casseroles for
Our Daily Bread*

**CASSEROLES DUE
JULY 16 & AUGUST 20**

**Casseroles can be delivered to the BSS
freezer during Friday night services or
during normal BSS business hours.**