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The Shofar deadline is on or before the 1st of the month preceding publication. Send submissions to Aimee Kahn at aimee@cong-shalom.org.

A Message from Cantor Perper

Torah is our source of the light of truth and justice. It also illustrates the importance of family relations and most importantly that God is One and that we should trust in God and learn and follow the ways set forth in our sacred stories. The five books of Moses which tell the story of our ancestors, and the beginnings of a people and ultimately a nation, are told through these books. The study of Torah is a lifelong process which becomes deeper in significance as we age, and as we encounter these passages and lessons. Here at Congregation Shalom, I have the sacred honor of



leading Torah study on Shabbat mornings in rotation with both Rabbi Noah and Rabbi Poslosky. As each week and month passes, my grasp of not only the material itself but also the process of study becomes clearer. When Shabbat morning arises and it's my turn to lead our study session, I often find myself saying to those present, as well as those joining us virtually, that they are my teachers. Without fail, many times during our study an individual will share some wisdom, or ask an interesting question which stirs our curiosity, and sparks new questions about the text at hand. This formula of preparation and inspiration is one of fulfillment and enrichment. The layers of depth, together with the varied experiences of those present make for a very rich encounter. We all bring our own life experiences, as well as our own amount of Jewish knowledge to bear. Our ancient stories have value and insight from which to glean new lessons with which to live our lives.

While I have attended cantorial school, and became an ordained clergy, I did not grow up with a great deal of Torah. I did attend religious school and was confirmed, but didn't read from the Torah until my 1st year at Hebrew Union College in Jerusalem. In my time as a cantor I have met many members of the older generation who had the glorious opportunity to attend **cheider**. Cheider being the form of study in the old country, sitting with the rabbi from an early age, learning basic hebrew, the *aleph-bet* and then Torah and even more advanced texts from our rich tradition. Looking back, how I wish I had that opportunity. Having someone describe studying in *cheider*, to me it sounds magical, and wonderful. As a cantor, and a leader, I take my responsibility to heart as I prepare to lead and to teach, whether it's my b'nei mitzvah students, choir, or our Torah study group. The honor is a serious one, which I hold dear. In fact, on a given Shabbat Morning, when a member of the study group thanks me for my efforts in preparation, I am moved, and a bit emotional.

In our Shabbat Prayerbook, *Mishkan T'filah*, on page 179, in the Shabbat Morning Service II, there is a note at the bottom of the page which states the following;

- JANUARY -Religious & Hebrew School Schedule

02 NO BOKER TOV HEBREW NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

04 05	Hebrew School Hebrew School	4:30-6:15 pm 4:30-6:15 pm
09	Boker Tov Hebrew Religious School 8th & 9th Grades 10th Grade	8:15-9:15 am 9:30-11:30 pm 10:45-11:30 am 9:30-10:15 am
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14	4 th Grade Family Shabbat	6:45 pm
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Office Closing

The office is closed on Monday, January 17, for Martin Luther King day.

Worship Services

December 31 & January 1

Exodus 6:2-9:35		
Ezekiel 28:25-29:21		
Shabbat Service – Virtual service only:		
https://zoom.us/j/95152210157		
<i>Torah</i> Study – Virtual service only:		
https://zoom.us/j/99690791604		
Shabbat Service – Virtual service only:		
https://zoom.us/j/99690791604		
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January 7 & 8

Torah Portion:	Exodus 10:1-13:16
Haftarah:	Jeremiah 46:13-28
6:00 pm	Shabbat Service – In-person or live stream
9:00 am	<i>Torah</i> Study – In person and on Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/99690791604
10:00 am	<i>Shabbat Service</i> – In-person and on Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/99690791604

January 14 & 15

Torah Portion:	Exodus 13:17-17:16
Haftarah:	Judges 4:4-5:31
6:45 pm	<i>Shabbat Service</i> – with participation of 4 th graders & youth choir – In-person or live stream
9:00 am	<i>Torah</i> Study – In person and on Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/99690791604
10:00 am	<i>Shabbat Service</i> – In-person and on Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/99690791604

January 21 & 22

Torah Portion:	Exodus 18:1-20:23
Haftarah:	Isaiah 6:1-7:6; 9:5-6
6:00 pm	Shabbat Service – In-person or live stream
9:00 am	<i>Torah</i> Study – In person and on Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/99690791604
10:00 am	<i>Shabbat Service</i> – In-person and on Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/99690791604
10:00 am	Bat Mitzvah of Samantha Miller

January 28 & 29

Torah Portion:	Mishpatim 21:1-24:18
Haftarah:	Jeremiah 34:8-22; 33:25-26
6:00 pm	Shabbat Service – In-person or live stream
9:00 am	<i>Torah</i> Study – In person and on Zoom:
	https://zoom.us/j/99690791604
10:00 am	Shabbat Service – In-person and on Zoom:
	https://zoom.us/j/99690791604

Live Stream at cong-shalom.org or on our Youtube channel (congregationshalommilw)

Daily Minyan – Monday – Thursday, 5:45 – 6 pm Join in-person or on Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/362039832

VOICES FOR JUSTICE COMMITTEE January 17 is a Day for Dreaming of Delivering Justice in Sentencing & More

In a rare confluence, Tu Bishvat and Martin Luther King, Jr. Day are both occurring on January 17th. Do they have anything in common besides occurring on the same day this year? The serendipitous connection is The Sentencing Project, which our Voices for Justice (VFJ) Committee has been bringing to our attention. (See the VFJ Committee Update on page 11 of the December 2021 issue of our Shofar.)

The essential concern of The Sentencing Project is that Black Americans are incarcerated in state prisons at about five times the rates of white Americans. As if that didn't seem bad enough, nationally one in 81 Black American adults are in state prisons, but Wisconsin leads the nation with one of every 36 Black Americans in prison. Then, of course, Milwaukee is high, if not on top, of lists of the most segregated city in the country.

Although Black Americans have long been incarcerated and sentenced in different ways since the time of slavery, and slavery itself can be considered to be a form of incarceration, this recent justice inequity is in the context of the United States being the world leader in jail and prison incarceration. This other dubious honor has followed the so-called "War on Drugs" that began with President Nixon, who on June 18, 1971 declared that street drugs where "public enemy number one". Much of the increase in incarceration that followed had to do with low-level drug offenses and longer sentencing, and ended up being applied more to Black American men over the years.

I first hand experienced this development when I began part-time work in the Kettle Moraine medium security men's Correctional Institution in the early years of the new millennium. This prison was the last psychiatric system that I had not worked in and/or led. Though I had some concerns about safety, I was told that I would be in more risk from the deer during the country drive there than from the prisoners. Nevertheless, when I was told that I couldn't wear a tie, shake the inmates' hands, or sit in the office away from the door, I wasn't sure of that. Gratefully, I was never threatened by a deer or patient, and I did end up shaking some hands!

What I encountered as I met the patients was not only the overrepresentation of Black men, but even more racism within the prison itself. Almost all of the Black men who were transferred to me had been diagnosed with Sociopathic Personality Disorder, which is basically not treatable and conveys that the person manipulates others for their own benefit without feeling any guilt. Interestingly enough, research indicates that such sociopathy occurs many more times in those who have not committed low level drug offenses and other low level crime. In particular, sociopathy seems over-represented in certain kinds of corporation leadership levels. You may recall the tobacco corporations and their hiding of the risks of smoking as one example, and more currently perhaps the oil energy corporations.

When I did my own assessments and showed these men some interest, I was struck by the documented trauma so many had early in their lives, which seemed to connect to an attempt to self-treat themselves with street drugs, or sell the drugs as a business. They indeed were treatable. Many improved, though when released, they usually had to return to their environment, often our Milwaukee inner city of few economic opportunities, and they were denied voting rights. In the meanwhile, their absence adversely affected the mental health of any children they had, contributing to a continuation of this cycle. The terrible irony involved is that because of federal lawsuits, we had more mental healthcare resources in the prison than I had in the County community mental health clinic that I led in Milwaukee.

Though he died before this "War on Drugs", Rev. King would likely not be surprised at its development. As he said in his historic 1963 "I Have a Dream" speech during the March on Washington:

"We will not be satisfied until justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like a mighty stream."

Rev. King also died before the beginning of our Earth Day and environmental concerns that have always been part of Tu Bishvat. This Jewish holiday celebrates trees, and trees are so important in helping to ward off carbon accumulation in the air. In our inner cities like in Milwaukee, there is increased lead poisoning as well as increased summer heating from the asphalt. Instead of trees, weeds often rise through the concrete cracks. Both are known to contribute to the increased violence that can lead to incarceration. Actually, though it is less well-known than other foci of Dr. King, he was becoming more and more concerned before he died with ecological justice globally.

What the Sentencing Project is trying to do is lessen unnecessary and inequitable incarceration. Tied into this particular project is the intersection of racism and afforestation. Our VFJ has joined MICAH and the statewide WISDOM network to bring attention to sentencing, which is one of the layers of racism in Milwaukee and our country. To significantly reduce such racial problems in the first place, prevention upstream is necessary. The same holds true for climate instability and ecological destruction, which Shalom's Dayenu Circle is addressing.

We need your help and support to reduce local and global social and ecological injustice. One of the solutions lies in voting rights and voting. Doing such Tikkun Olam activism would make this special day of January 17th much more than just a holiday.

- H. Steven (Hillel) Moffic, MD

In Memoriam We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the families below.

SHARON "SHARI" BERSON – Wife of the late Sanford Berson; mother of Mark Todd and Michael Berson; grandmother of Benjamin Berson; sister of Bill (Louise) Schuckit; aunt of David and Steven (Jaclyn); sister-in-law of the late Sheldon (the late Beverly) Berson, Joyce (Herb) Root and Elaine (the late Raymond) Stein.

DOREEN SALTZBERG – Wife of the late Nathan Saltzberg; mother of Laurie (the late Edward) Appelbaum, Judy (Randy) Nelson, and the late Michael Robbins; grandmother of Stefanie (Andrew) George, Jeff (Leah) Nelson, Karen (Michael) Pearce, and Susan (Adam) Wolbransky; greatgrandmother of Nina and Micah George; Max and Lily Nelson; Isla Pearce; predeceased by her sister the late Jackie (the late Shep) Schmidt.

MARCIA "BUBBLES" SHUMOW – Mother of Laurie (Bert) Schweizer, Steve Shumow and Lynne Shumow; grandmother of Abbey (Jeff) Small, Adam (Becky) Schweizer, Joseph Shumow, Anna (Jessica) Shumow and Zac (Stacy) Schweizer; great-grandmother of Alexis Strickland, Riley, William and Harper Small and Easton, Avery Schweizer and Liam Schweizer; preceded in death by husband Jerry.

FREDA SUCHER – Preceded in death by husband Alvin Sucher; mother of Michael (Margo) Sucher, and Robert (Dolly) Sucher; grandmother of Kevin (Erin) Sucher, Ryan Sucher, Melissa (Jon) Dorf, and Todd (Kelley) Sucher; greatgrandmother of Gaby, Noah, and Max Sucher, Allison and Justin Dorf, and Toto.

SONDRA WINNIK – Preceded in death by her husband Dr. Donald Winnik and longtime companion Newton Peckarsky. Cherished mother of Dr. Mitchel Winnik (Dr. Jan Fleming), the late Beth (Dr. Michael) Berkson, the late Joel(Barbara) Winnik and Judy Winnik. Loving Grandmother of Dr. Eric Berkson(Dr. Stephanie) Berkson, the late Adam (Daniella) Berkson, Jeff (Kathleen) Berkson, Josh (Stepahine)Berkson, Rachel (William) Yavinsky and Arielle (Jerold Bennett) Winnik. Great -Grandmother of Ben Berkson, Dinah Berkson ,Jadon Berkson, Kyle Berkson, Emily Berkson, Brennan Berkson, Max Berkson, Leo Berkson, Aaron Berkson, Juliana Yavinsky, Simon Yavinsky, Asher Bennett, Talia Yavinsky. Further survived by Michael (Kari Berkson, son, John Sackett) and other relatives and friends.



What's NU

Join us as Shalom congregants meet to discuss current events and kibbitz, share what's new in their lives. Join us Thursday morning at 10 am! We meet in person in Kesselman Chapel, or you can join us on by clicking Zoom.

Social Action Committee

The Social Action Committee in conjunction with Congregation Emanuel B'ne Jeshuren combined efforts to make Christmas Day special for the residents of Meta House, a residential treatment facility for women battling substance abuse and their children. Through the generous donation by congregant Toby Recht we were able to provide a special meal as well as gifts for the residents.

Thanksgiving Service & Project

The Thanksgiving service on Sunday, November 21, at North Shore Presbyterian Church marked the 65th year that our two congregations have worshipped together. We enjoyed the inspirational service, led by our combined clergy, and the beautiful music of our cantor and combined choirs. As a joint community project, we donated children's books to the Next Door Foundation. Thanks to the Social Action Committee for their financial support and to all our congregants who gave money or books for Next Door. The agency is extremely grateful for our help. —Diane Kane and Carol Ross

St. Ben's Meal Program

Saturday, January 9, 2022

If anyone is interested in joining us, either as a chicken baker, or a server, or both, please contact Sharon Goldberger, 414-354-5721 or sharonsueg@sbcglobal.net. If you are interested in transporting chickens occasionally to St. Ben's at noon on the second Sunday, or chicken sitting at Temple from 10 am-noon on the second Sunday when Sunday School isn't in session, those responsibilities are less frequent, but also part of the program. We'd love to have you join us!

In-Person Adult Education

Join Rabbi Noah, Rabbi Poslosky and Brian Avner for one or both of our upcoming and ongoing adult education classes on Tuesday evenings. See descriptions below. Both classes are open to all congregants and begin Tuesday, January 4, 2022. Please register online at: www.cong-shalom.org/form/adult-education.html

Chavruta Learning Class

There is a tradition in Judaism to study Jewish text in *chavruta*, or pairs. In the *Beit Midrash* of old, the large house of study, pairs of students would pore over text together and help each other delve deeper and deeper into the text, and into their own understanding of themselves. This class will explore some of the most famous passages from the Talmud, a compendium of the Oral Torah compiled in the 6th century. We will explore some of the more famous texts from Talmud and navigate them together. Come with a *chavruta* partner, or come alone and we'll find you a *chavruta*. No Hebrew knowledge required. This is a free course. This class begins Tuesday, January 4 and will be held from 6:15-7:15 pm.

Intro to Judaism Class

This introductory course in basic Judaism will cover history, theology, customs, ceremonies, festivals, holidays, and beliefs. It is an overview of Judaism and Jewish life. The class will be taught in three consecutive two-month units. The only cost for this class will be books, which Congregation Shalom will order for everyone enrolled. This class begins Tuesday, January 4 and will be held from 7:30-8:30 pm.



Adult Hebrew

If you are interested in learning Hebrew from the beginning, the Aleph-Bet, the URJ (Union for Reform Judaism, of which Congregation Shalom is a member) is offering a new round of their Learn to Read Hebrew for Adults online class in January. This class meets either Sunday morning, Sunday evening, or Monday evenings online and will have you reading Hebrew after 10 short weeks.

To register, visit: https://reformjudaism.org/ learning/judaism-classes/learn-to-read-hebrew

Shalom Connects

Youth Activities

Early Childhood Programming is made possible in part thanks to the Benjamin Gino Siegel Early Childhood Fund.

Temple for Toddlers

Saturday, January 15, 10 am

All 2–4-year-olds (and their grown-ups) are invited to join us for a special edition of Temple for Toddlers as we learn about Dr. Martin Luther King and the important values he stood for. We'll sing songs, read stories, and discover how our Jewish values align with Dr. King's vision.

At this time, we ask for everyone aged 2 and older to be masked while in the building. We are not serving food during this program at this time (though if your kids need a snack while you are here, please give them a snack).

'Kid'dush Club

Friday, January 28, 6 pm

All young families (generally with kids 0-6) are invited to join us for 'Kid'dush club! Join us for a fun, interactive Shabbat service experience along with a story and a special treat to go. RSVP to Brian at brian@cong-shalom.org if you plan to attend.

B'nai Mitzvah Kallah

Saturday, January 29 For B'nai Mitzvah dates from October 22, 2022 – June 2023.

New Babies

If you have a new baby in your family, please let the temple know so we can add them to your membership records.



"Take care not to spoil or destroy My world, for if you do, there will be no one to repair it after you." —Midrash Ecclesiastes Rabbah 7:13

Mark your calendars for a Zoom session on January 27, 2022 from 6–7:15 pm on environmental justice issues. Hear from local leaders and national policy makers about the latest news on environmental and sustainability issues.

Featured speakers are:

Richard Diaz, Chair of the Coalition for Lead Emergencies (COLE) Adam Zipkin, Deputy Chief of Staff for Senator Corey Booker (D) NJ Dr. Michaela Margida, Environmental Advisor to Corey Booker (D) NJ

Richard Diaz and his neighbors at COLE are making a difference for families living with lead exposure. Small traces of lead poisoning can cause permanent cognitive damage, behavioral problems and health issues. It is time for us to end this preventable tragedy.

Mr. Zipkin and Dr. Margida research, analyze and prepare legislation authored or co-authored by Booker aimed squarely at environmental protection and measures aimed at helping us live more sustainably. Senator Booker is a champion of environmental justice and has most recently co-sponsored legislation to reduce lead contamination. He is also the primary sponsor of the COMPOST Act. If enacted, this legislation will provide a steady supply of compost to farmers, reduce garbage going to landfills and would create thousands of green jobs.

Richard, Adam and Michaela are working successfully on environmental justice challenges and they will share ways we can help. Please be sure to join us for a very informative 75 minutes, sponsored by Congregation Shalom's Dayenu Circle and Voices for Justice Committee

Other Dayenu News

In the November's Shofar issue we discussed the benefits of home and curbside composting. One of those curbside companies, Waste Not, LLC recently experienced a fire which shut down their operation for the foreseeable future. Gretchen Gibb's home was destroyed along with her company's business records Our thoughts and prayers go out to her for a speedy recovery from this horrific situation. If you are interested in curbside composting email dwolfson625@gmail.com.

Share Your Family's Story

Do you compost at home? Have you reduced or eliminated single-use of plastic from your household? Installed solar? Use electric vehicles? Please inspire others and share your stories for upcoming issues of the Shofar. Contact dwolfson625@ gmail.com with your Green stories, photos and videos.

Butterfly Garden Planning

Religious school students painted rocks for a prairie garden we hope to plant in Spring on the south side of the building. Thank you to Geli Golopol for proposing it, Ellen Abrams Blankenship for designing the garden and the Board for approving it. If you are interested in participating, contact dwolfson625@gmail.com.

Solar Farm Legislation

The Jewish community is organizing to support community solar farms. So far, Assembly has not called for public hearings, a preliminary step before going to the Senate. The State legislative session ends in March so there is still time to ask your senator and representative to support Senate Bill 490 and Assembly Bill 527.

The Shalom Dayenu Circle was launched in the Summer of 2021 to express outrage about the increasing destruction of the natural world and to take bold action towards restoring clean air, water and untainted land.

The name of this national movement was taken from the Hebrew word, "Dayenu". Dayenu means "enough", and was chosen to express the dual sentiment, "we *have* enough (resources from the planet) and also "we *have had* enough (exploitation of the earth).

If you have a passion for environmental justice and sustainability, this is your home. Call David Wolfson at 414-218-1135 or reach out by email at dwolfson625@gmail.com.





Time to order your 2022 National Mah Jongg League Card

Large Card: \$10 | Standard Card: \$9

Make checks payable to: Women of Shalom. Send your completed order form with payment to: Kristen Weisman, 3816 W. Grace Ave., Mequon, WI 53092. Deadline to order is January 27, 2022.

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Cantor Perper, cont'd

"Torah benedictions - B'rachot 11b. After expressing our gratitude for being alive, the next words that come out of our mouths should be of Torah. Thus the first daily activity of a pious Jew is to study Torah, preceded by a Torah benediction. This, too, would originally have been done at home and was moved into the synagogue together with the morning benedictions by the mid-ninth century. The lessons of Torah are meant to be applied to our lives, guiding us to live ethically and righteously."

At each of our Torah study sessions, we begin with the following blessing... "Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to engage with words of Torah."

Let this blessing, and the idea of regular study of the lessons and truths found in our sacred books lead us to live with truth in our ways, and righteousness in our deeds. *Kein Y'hi ratzon*, May this be God's will.

Membership Data Verification

Watch your mailbox for a request from Congregation Shalom asking you to verify your phone number, email addresses and more. This information will be used for a new Membership Directory to be published in 2022.

B'nei Mitzvah

Samantha Miller will be called to the *Torah* as a *Bat Mitzvah* on January 22, 2022. Celebrating this *simcha* with her are her parents, Jada and Randy and her brother Zachary. Samantha attends Lakeshore Middle School where her favorite subjects are History, Science and PLTW.

To Samantha, becoming a *Bat Mitzvah* means that she has



accomplished becoming her own person. For her *tzedakah* project, Samantha sold bracelets, with the profits going to a breast cancer charity. Samantha's favorite activities are reading, listening to music and building. Samantha would like to be either a carpenter, architect or a biomedical engineer when she grows up.

Traditions Congregation Shalom Gift Shop is Open!!

Hours are: 10:00-12:00 Tuesday-Friday, Tuesday & Wednesday 3:30-5:30 and Sunday 9:30-12:00. Or by appointment by calling Bunny Cohen at: 414-852-7986.

January Anniversaries

Mazel tov! to couples celebrating a special anniversary (over 50 years and anniversaries in 5-year increments).

	Marriage	Years
Couple	Date	Married
Dennis & Aimee Kahn	January 08	45
Jennifer & Christopher Kroening	January 29	15
Claude & Elaine Steinberger	January 19	64

Did we miss your anniversary? Please call 414-352-9288 to ensure that we have your correct anniversary date on file.

Yahrzeits | Those we remember in January

Dec. 26-Jan. 1

Arthur Blumenthal Marion Brown Perlanne Bruskin **Charles** Cohen Howard Cox Joanne Estler Aaron F. Feldman **Morton Friedland** Joseph Himes Joyzele Y. Howards Grace Hyman Harvey R. Kipen Issac Kipen Maurice F. Kipen June Kaufer Kraus Philip Kurzer Maurice Lerner Herman Levin **Robert Lewenauer** Isaac Lipton Esther Lubar Herbert Maistelman Carl Manes **Daniel Margolis** Esther Matras Frank D. Matras Anna Mayerson Ray Mitchell John B. Moser Ethel Ottenstein Herbert A. Oxman Sam Pasch Goldie Pinsky Nettie Plotkin Stanford "Stan" Podell Anthony (Tony) Richman Evelyn Rose Jordan Rosengarten Pearl Rubin **Eugene Sadoff** Maxine "Peggy" Sadoff Milton Sattell Cecilia M. Schiffman Mel Schnoll Isadore Schwartz Sadye Shimon Jerry Shlensky **Charles Steiner** Morris Ugent Edward Weber Jeanette Weber Sally Weisbuch Jack Weiss Julius Zack

Jan. 2-8

Jennie Arnovitz Arlene Arnstein William John Bachman Julia Michal Bar-Lev Alfred David Barnett

Beatrice Shafrin Berk Mark Borenstein Myra Berry Brown Lester M. Cohen Louis Cohen Minnie Marcus Cook Bee Dubin Joseph Dubin Daniel Dukor Spencer Frank Max Glaiman Marvin Golper Harry Gordon Melody Ann Greene Leona Harris Carol Jamron Burton L. Kampner Harvey Karas Michael Kritzik Doris Ladish Faye Laber Levine Ilene Yvette Linetsky David Lipschultz Max Manes Rae Marks Max Medved **Benjamin Meisenberg** Anita Messerman Jeanette Miller Louis Powerstein Chana Recht **Evelyn Sable Richard Schefrin** Vvvvan Schuman Ida Berry Sher Selma Shlensky Norman Solomon Louis Stern Sara T. Stern **Ruth Stolle** Milton Turner Marvin Wasserman Donna Wichman Sonia Willenson **Ethel Williams** Garry Willis Louis Zitzer

Ian. 9-15

Elsie Adelson Robert S. Adler Al E. Bander Robyn Bercovici Irving Bilansky Rose Blackman Myrtle Cohen Marisa Alayna Drew Karen Edelstein Florence Eisenberg Dan Estren David Estren Muriel Evelyn Fogel

Bettie Frost David Howard Gersen **Beverly Gilbert** Jack P. Gilbert Victor Goodstein Bernice Greenberg Louis Haber Faith Isaacson Ella Kagen Joseph G. Kahn Norman Kahn Betty Katz Jennie Katz Morton Komisar Lillian Kretchmar Stephen LeClair Samuel Marshak Roz Matsoff Hyman Mendeloff David Orlinsky Newton Peckarsky Faye Pivar **Diane Primason** Ethel Rabinovitz Arthur Rosenberg David Safer Eugene D. Sattler Irene Sattler Sarah Schmidt **Irving Shapiro** Rose Shapiro Abraham Shlensky Hyman Sklar Harry Steinberger Sol Steren Bob Tash Bessie Tureck **Beverly Wasserman** Sophie Wasserman Joyce Weiss Harold Willenson Joel S. Winnik Margaret Ellis Wright Florine Zezblatt Robert Zuckerman

Jan. 16-22

Marcia Acker Levey Joseph Angel Anna Ausman Donald Ausman Clara Bard Marilvn Berman Allen Blumenfeld Sondra Lee Bresslauer Arthur Dallet Frank Dichter Alan I. Ettinger Edward Gellman Leon Gil Albert Ginsburg Betty Ann Goldman Dr. Robert Gordon

Stanley Greenberg Alfred Harris Sam Himmelreich Russell Hirsch Sharon Elizabeth Hirsch Evelvn Holman Elihu Horwitz Mel Howenstine Jerome Jasculca Edward Jones Ida Kahn Ben Kellman Alvin Kurzon Albert C. Lambert Steve Lozoff Harland Moeckler Maurice Nathan Manfred Oelsner Lucille S. Pass Norman Persten William W. Peterman Nancy Polsky Leah Resnick Ruth Ryack Rose Shapiro Florence Slavick Alvin Stein **Bessie Steinberg** Edward Tashkin Max Teper Hermina (Mimi) Ungar Mel Wallace Stanley S. Wasserman Sam Yanow Joseph Zaharias Fan Zarne Naomi Zemel Ian. 23-29

Robert Asher Celia Becker Steven Berg David Berman Kimberly Blankenship Benjamin Breitman Alfred Leopold Cahn Ella Cash Alvin Cogan Beniamin Elbaum Marvin Evans Frances Fields Morris Fox Dorothy Frindell Earl Friedland Melvin Gilbert Ethel Gill David Goldberg Sidney Goldberg Aaron Raymond Goldsmith Donald M. Goldwyn Martha Goodman Shirley Katz

Maurice Kodner Sally Lambert Bess Lang Edna Lee Jack Lee Burton Lepp Sam Levine Edward Libber Anne Lubotsky Shirley Malkin Milton Manes Kenneth Gerald Marks Fannie Marshak Jack Mayerson Anna Moskowitz Blossom Newman Joseph M. Picker Louis Pinsky Frema Pittelman Edward Plotkin James Podell Marly Podell-Frank Sam Price Michael David Resnick Claire Rosenstein Jane Ross Robert Ryack Hazel Sandler Felix Sattler Albert F. Schopler Alice Schwartz Benjamin Gino Seigel Jack Stein Frieda Tarlowe Helene Wallace Sally Waters Jack Wein Ida Widroe Donald E. Winnik Abe Zembrosky

Jan. 30-Feb. 5

Robert Asher Gertrude Babby Arline Bellowe Steven Berg Alvin Berlin Frank Bernstein Natalie Borenstein Frederick M. Boris Louis Brandes Alvin Cogan Bella Cohen Joseph Fefer Estelle Feldman **Fthel Gill** Charlotte Glazer Sidney Goldberg Ben Goodstein David Jacobs Albert Joseph Ruth Knight-Lippert Lillian Kravitz

Shirlev Malkin Pearl Marks Sol Mirochnik Milton Mishelow Rose Ottenstein Frema Pittelman Harry Pittelman Ruth L. Podell Ambrose Reihbandt Michael David Resnick Ida Rosenberg Felix Sattler Minna Schwartz Judge James E. Shapiro Laverne Stein Helene Wallace Marlene Watchmaker Sally Waters Abe Weistrop Irving Wichman Joseph Wolfe **Richard S. Wright**



If you've had a death in your family and want the name placed in the Shofar and/or to be notified annually of your loved one's Yahrzeit date, or if you have lost a family member who was receiving reminders and you want them sent to you, call Amy at (414) 352-9288 ext. 117.

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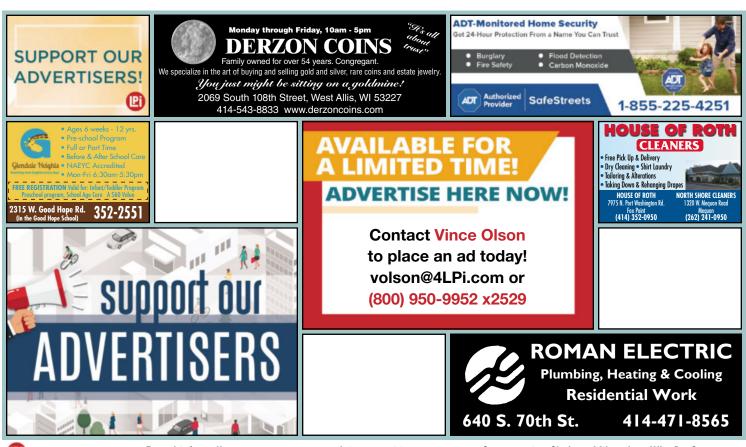
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Did you know that January 4 is National Trivia Day?

Get out your thinking caps and see if you can answer these American Jewish trivia questions!

- 1. Who composed the music for West Side Story?
- 2. Who was a catcher and a coach for major league baseball and also an American spy during World War II?
- 3. Who was the fourth woman to serve as a Justice of the Supreme Court?
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Tu B'Shevat

Sunday, January 16 – Monday, January 17

Tu B'Shevat or the "New Year of the Trees" is Jewish Arbor Day. The holiday is observed on the 15th (*tu*) of the Hebrew month of *Shvat*. Scholars believe that originally *Tu B'Shevat* was an agricultural festival, marking the emergence of spring. In the 17th century, Kabbalists created a ritual for *Tu B'Shevat* that is similar to a Passover *seder*. Today, many Jews hold a modern version of the *Tu B'Shevat seder* each year. The holiday also has become a tree-planting festival in Israel, in which Israelis and Jews around the world plant trees in honor or in memory of loved ones and friends.

On *Tu B'Shevat* it is customary to eat foods containing the seven species and to bless them. These are wheat, barley, grapes, figs, pomegranates, dates, and olives. Although not mentioned in Deuteronomy, almonds also figure prominently in this celebration, as they are the first tree to flower in Israel at that time of year.