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FROM OUR RABBI:

Organ Donation



Did you know that more than 119,000 people are currently on the national transplant waiting list? Did you know 22 people die each day waiting for a transplant? April was Organ Donation Awareness Month. I am late, but I prefer to be a few months late in writing about this than to wait until next year. Too many people believe that organ donation is not allowed by Jewish law. This is wrong.

The late Rabbi Isaac Klein (z"l) wrote, "There is no greater K'vod ha-Met (honor to the deceased) than to bring healing to the living." My friend and esteemed teacher, Rabbi Elliot Dorff of American Jewish University, wrote, "The overriding principles of honoring the dead (K'vod ha-Met) and saving lives (Pikuah Nefesh) work in tandem. That is, saving a person's life is so sacred a value in Judaism that if a person's organ can be used to save someone's life, it is actually an honor to the deceased." Rabbi David Golinkin, President of the Schechter Institutes Inc. in

Jerusalem, wrote, "It is not merely permissible for a Jew to bequeath his organs for transplantation following his death, it is a Mitzvah for him to do so, in order to save one life, or several lives."

Rabbi Dorff's book, *Matters of Life and Death: A Jewish Approach to Modern Medical Ethic* is a great starting place for the interested layperson. Conservative Jewish scholars have written hundreds of pages of legal responsa on the complexities of this issue that I am happy to share with those interested. But the overwhelming opinion of Jewish law is that organ donation is permitted and, in fact, a great moral imperative.

Still, why am I writing about this now? Many people know the story of Beth El's own Corey Gradin who, just a few years ago, traveled to St. Louis and received a lung transplant. Fewer know the story of the Levy family who visited Beth El two years ago. On March 7, 2015, I got an email from JoAnn Levy letting me know that she and her daughter, Andrea, and Andrea's husband would be moving to Durham for several months while Andrea awaited a double lung transplant. The family needed a mohel because, at the same time, the couple was expecting a baby boy, by gestational surrogate. The family was nervous leaving their own community behind, but I told them that we would do whatever we could to help, that our community was waiting here to receive them.

I heard from JoAnn a few months ago; Andrea and her family are doing fine. JoAnn is grateful, and she is on a mission to correct many Jews' misunderstanding of Jewish law. She asked for my help, so I told her I'd do my part; I'm writing to fulfill that promise. I also asked if she'd share her story with us. With her permission, I share her words below to highlight how our community makes a difference each and every day.

We came to Shabbat services on our first weekend and everyone greeted us with a smile and warm words. As people found out why we were there, each person offered support and encouragement. Unfortunately, because of the rigorous nature of Andrea's transplant program and her rapidly declining health, I wasn't able to attend services again as I had intended. But I always knew you were there for us. You put us in touch with the doctor who would perform the circumcision and the JCC was so accommodating and happy to help us.

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Organ Donation Continued

There was so much for me to worry about. I was worried for my daughter. She was in a wheelchair, dragging her oxygen tank with her. I was afraid she wouldn't live, but I didn't have to worry about her son having a proper bris. You and your community are very very special. My experience with the Jewish community of Durham proved what I've always been taught: we are responsible for each other. You were our rabbi and we needed you. The words you spoke at Bryce's bris were so poignant and we could all tell that you understood the uniqueness of our situation and the miracle of this child. You pointed out that for the bris there is a relationship and agreement between two parties (G-d and the parents). But in this case there was a third party: the wonderful woman who carried Andrea and Adam's child and delivered him to them so they could bring their son into the Covenant.

You have a wonderful Jewish community there in Durham. I hope I have helped you realize how much you mean to those of us who must come to stay for medical reasons. You have a unique situation, because of the excellent hospitals in your area. You also have a unique responsibility and I thank you for honoring that responsibility in the most loving and considerate way.

Bryce will be turning two next month. When he gets older and we tell him the story of his early life, Beth El Synagogue and Rabbi Greyber will always be a highlight.

Thank you for everything, JoAnn Levy

First Friday Shabbat

"Hey, what are you doing Friday night?"

"No plans."

And that's pretty much how this phenomenon got started. Last summer a smattering of young-ish Jew-ish professional-ish adults decided to step up to an active role in shaping the community. There was a gap between desire for and supply of juicy Kabbalat Shabbating. Turns out, with the unflinching support of Beth El, such problems are not hard to remedy. Offering the Freeman Center once per month, the movement found a home.

First Fridays (FF) is a lay-led Jewish social gathering. It occurs – not surprisingly – on the first Friday of every month. It is home to a wide range of folks from different backgrounds and religious affiliations, uniting over a shared love of singing, reveling, eating and drinking. Davening starts at 7pm-ish, potluck follows, usually with drinks and more singing afterwards. Don't forget there's singing!

The *ish* is quite serious – meaning there is a wide range of ages and religious backgrounds. And just to overstate our inclusivity: young families, singles, LGBTQ, those new to Judaism, those exhaustingly familiar with Judaism and any in-betweeners all will find a welcoming home here. Services are lay-led, and anyone is welcome to step up and lead. Seasoned *ish*-erfolk are lined up to teach the curious how to lead, or just get some new melodies under their belts. There is plenty of singing, in case that wasn't clear.

The youngish started the group, imbuing the atmosphere with a laid-back energetic buzz. It's an offbeat space to be open to each other, learn from one another and build community together.

The FF crew uses Facebook for updates on location and additional details. The Beth El bulletin keeps up too.

See you Friday!

Rikki, Rafi, and Jenna



BE @ Beth El

Check out these upcoming events at
Beth El!

Mark Your Calendar!

BE at a Glance
April-June

July

- 8: First Friday Shabbat
- 31: Tish'a B'Av Community Services

August

- 1: Tish'a B'Av
- 4: First Friday Shabbat
- 7: Tu B'Av
- 19: Healing Yoga
- 20: School Clean Up Day
- 20: Teens of Beth El Welcome Back BBQ
- 22-23: Rosh Chodesh Elul

September

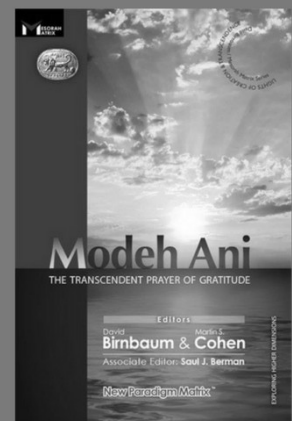
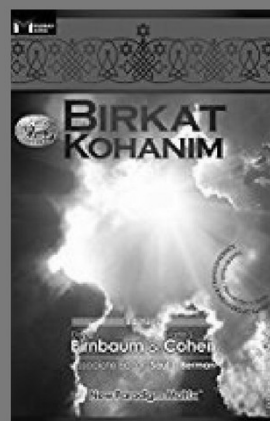
- 3: Wet n' Wild Trip with Beth El Teens
- 10: First Day of Talmud Torah
- 10: Yom Beth El
- 14: Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Greyber
- 15: Kabbalat Shabbat Services
- 17: MoB Welcome Brunch
- 17: Sisterhood Welcome Brunch
- 20: Erev Rosh Hashana
- 21: Rosh Hashana Day 1
- 22: Rosh Hashana Day 2
- 22: Children's Services
- 23: Shabbat Shuva
- 24: Tzom Gedaliah
- 26: High Holiday Movie Night at the Goldsteins'
- 29: Erev Yom Kippur/ Pre-fast Dinner/Kol Nidre
- 30: Yom Kippur



A flyer for Menchie's fundraising. At the top, two hands hold a heart. Below is the text "menchie's FUNDRAISING" in a stylized font. Underneath, it says "mention this flyer Every Weekday, 4pm-close". A line of text states "20% of your purchase will be donated to Beth El Synagogue for school supplies". The Beth El Synagogue logo is in the center, featuring a flame and the text "Beth El SYNAGOGUE GARDEN, NJ". To the right is an image of a Menchie's cup with fruit. At the bottom left, the address "menchie's patterson place 3604 witherspoon blvd., suite 109 919-402-0028" is listed. A small disclaimer at the bottom reads "Fundraising does not apply to the purchase of gift cards and cannot be combined with any other offer." The website "menchie's.com" is at the bottom right.

Birkat Kohanim and Modeh Ani, with essays by Rabbi Greyber

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FROM THE PRESIDENT—Noah Pickus



On June 4, the Beth El Board met for its annual half-day retreat. This is the third time we've held an annual retreat, and it's proven to be an excellent way to build community, to reflect on the year past, and to plan for the future. This year we expanded the circle of invitees from Board members to committee chairs and other lay leaders. In all, we had 30 congregants who care enough about Beth El to spend a Sunday morning sharing ownership for its continued vibrancy. 30!

We began by sharing our own Beth El stories, personal narratives about what the last year felt like as congregants. I love this part of our retreat. It reminds me of why we're all here in the first place. It establishes a sense of commonality and builds connections among the participants. Perhaps my favorite story this year came from a participant who described how she and her husband could engender good behavior in their young son by offering synagogue as a reward. Imagine that – eat your vegetables so you don't miss out on shul! May we all be 4 year olds who can't wait for Shabbat.

I was also delighted to have congregants from the Orthodox Kehillah and from the “young-ish and Jew-ish” part of our community. Their active participation enhanced generational and religious diversity and increased opportunities for cross-pollination.

The key part of this year's retreat focused on reviewing, revising, and wrestling with three institutional priorities that the Executive Committee proposed for the coming year:

Transition as Opportunity: to manage successfully the renovations to use this diasporic moment to build community. We aim to embrace new and flexible forms of religious experience and social interaction.

Organizational Effectiveness: to build on the results of the “Capacity and Organizational Readiness Project” led by Leslie Winner, Abby Zarkin, and Robert Hill. This great team has been talking with a wide swath of lay leaders and staff, asking them to envision the future of BE as an organization as well as a religious community and a physical home.

Meaningful Engagement: to support all that we do within our religious community, to enhance interfaith and civic activities outside our community, and to carefully attend to the relationship between the two, between our lives as Jews in shul and our lives as Jews in the world.

There are, of course, many other projects and plans we have for the coming year. Still, it's helpful, I think, to have three big picture priorities shared across the congregation. I invite you to review these priorities and how you can contribute to achieving them. Beth El is a house of prayer and study, a community, and an operating organization. Each aspect requires constant nurturing and the many and diverse contributions that each of us can offer. I am immensely grateful to all of our lay leaders and staff members who give so much and in so many meaningful ways. Onward!



Our Story, Our Time
Capital Campaign Update
June 2017

What an incredible time this is to be a part of the Beth El story!

Since May, the community phase of the *Our Story, Our Time* Campaign has been in full swing – a time when we are inviting everyone from our community to consider what Beth El has meant to them and how they can help prepare for Beth El's future. Thanks to the continuing generosity of so many members of our congregation, our future will soon include a renovated shul that will be more welcoming, accessible, safe, and secure for all in our community. Some of the renovations will be: a sanctuary with 25% more seating, a social hall that is 33% larger, new restrooms, an elevator, classroom space to bring Talmud Torah studies within the synagogue building, a hearing aid loop system, and other enhanced technology and security systems.

These transformational changes are expected to cost us \$5.5 million. And we're excited to share that more than \$4.1 million has been raised to date. This is on top of the tremendous generosity that our congregation has shared in helping meet our annual fund and planned giving initiative goals this year.

To help inspire even more generosity, Ralph and Renee Snyderman have issued a Challenge to the congregation. In addition to their initial \$500,000 commitment to this project, they will match 1:2 (up to a total of \$250,000) any new gifts or pledges of at least \$10,000 and any increased commitments from early campaign supporters that are made before July 31, 2017. We've raised \$250,000 of the \$500,000 needed to secure the Snyderman's full \$250,000 match. With approximately one more month to go to secure the remaining \$250,000, we hope you will consider participating in the Snyderman Challenge as you think about your commitment to the next chapter of our Beth El story.

And, if you are unable to participate in the Snyderman Challenge, know that all levels of support will play an important role in raising the funding needed to begin renovations as early as possible in 2018. To help all of us make the greatest impact possible, pledges can be made that are payable over up to five years.

As Renee Snyderman reminded us at the Community Celebration on May 21, we are the beneficiaries of the vision, leadership, and generosity that made Beth El possible more than 60 years ago. It is now our generation's time to write the next chapters of the Beth El story and ensure our community will thrive for many years to come!

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New Member Spotlight

Beth El New Member Q&A: Jennifer Dubow

Why did you decide to join Beth El? What makes Beth El a good choice for you?

I decided to join Beth El to formally become part of a Jewish community for the first time in my life. I didn't grow up belonging to a synagogue and while I have explored other Jewish community and learning options throughout the years, I felt it was time to make my synagogue membership official. Part of this drive was in response to the loss of both of parents in last two years. It made me realize how vital it is to be part of a community to give to others and in time of need, receive in return.



I chose Beth El, as I've been attending services there on and off for years with friends who were members. I always enjoyed the community, and everyone is welcoming, warm and inclusive. I felt at home at Beth El.

Where are you from originally, and how did you make your way to the Triangle?

I am from Bayside, Queens in NYC, and I moved to Chapel Hill, NC in 2002 to be closer to my mother and sister, who lived down here at the time. I also moved with the intention to attend the MBA program at UNC Chapel Hill, which I eventually did. GO HEELS!

What do you do for work, and what do you like to do for fun?

I am the Director of Marketing for a small Durham company called Dognition, which spun out of the Duke Canine Cognition Center. We offer an online service to dog owners to evaluate at home how their dog thinks and solves problems -- aka dog cognition.

For fun, I love spending time with dogs, exploring new places in Durham such as restaurants and coffee shops, seeing movies, walking and hiking, and cooking. I'm also a big supporter of the local entrepreneurship community as a volunteer Business Mentor with SCORE Chapel Hill-Durham as a mentor/coach to student businesses at UNC and Duke. *[Fun side note: Through Beth El, Jennifer met Kim & Drew Langsam – who ended up adopting the amazing dog that Jennifer was fostering through the Independent Animal Rescue! Dotty was happy to stay in the Beth El family too.]*

Beth El New Member Q&A: Mara Buchbinder, Jesse Summers, & Simon Summers

Why did you decide to join Beth El? What makes Beth El a good choice for your family?

We appreciate the community and the important of ritual life, which is important to us in making a Jewish home and raising our son to feel strongly attached to the Jewish community.

Where are you from originally, and how did you make your way to the Triangle?

Mara is from the Boston area, and Jesse is from Kansas. We met in grad school at UCLA, where Mara was doing a PhD in medical anthropology and Jesse in philosophy. We moved to Durham in 2010 for Mara's work at UNC.



What do you do for work, and what does your family like to do for fun?

Mara is in the Department of Social Medicine at UNC and teaches medical students about cultural and ethical issues in health care, among other things. Jesse has been teaching writing and philosophy at Duke and is about to begin a position there as Academic Dean. Our son Simon is 4, and is completing his first year at Duke School. For fun, we like to eat waffles, build Legos, and make stories.

Talmud Torah

What's Jewish About Summer?

Things get pretty quiet at Beth El over the summer. From Memorial Day to Labor Day it might seem like we almost go on a complete hiatus! Talmud Torah is on break, attendance at services is a little lighter, the staff goes on vacation...

But while programming opportunities here might be few and far between, does your involvement in Jewish life take a little hiatus over the summer too? It doesn't have to! How can you make your summer Jewish?

If you're on the younger side, there are a lot of Jewish camp opportunities (both local and sleep away) and for our high schoolers, there are some incredible peer summer trips through USY and other Jewish organizations all over the world! If you are so inclined to spend 4-6 weeks on a bus traveling America, there's even a trip for that!

Some of my personal favorite ways to make summer Jewish is to take advantage of the nice weather and longer days. On Friday evening, with Shabbat starting so late, we like to enjoy a "Shabbarbeque" (trademark pending on that name). We get the grill going early before candle lighting time, set up a beautiful table on the back patio and enjoy a leisurely Shabbat dinner as the temperatures begin to cool with the setting sun. The Shabbat candles provide a lovely glow (and help keep the mosquitos at bay). On the flip side of Friday evening, on Saturday night you can have a *Havdallah* bonfire and make campfire S'mores!

Hopefully, anytime you plan a Shabbarbeque or a *Havdallah* bonfire with friends and family, you'll have wonderful weather, but on the occasion that the common summer thunderstorm passes through, don't let that sideline you. Did you know that there is a blessing to say when you see and hear thunder and lightning (or see the elusive rainbow following the storm)?

- The *Bracha* on **lightning**: *Baruch Atta Adonay Eloheinu Melech HaOlam Oseh Maaseh Beresheet*
- The *Bracha* on **thunder**: *Baruch Atta Adonay Eloheinu Melech HaOlam SheKocho UGevurato Maaleh Olam*
- The *Bracha* on upon seeing a **rainbow** is: *Baruch Atta Hashem Elokenu Melech HaOlam Zocher HaBrit, (Ve)Neeman BeBrit, VeKayam BeMaamaro.*

And if none of those float your boat, plenty of us are in and out of Beth El all summer and are happy to have visitors or helpers to get us ready for the jam packed fall! We look forward to hearing the ways that you made your summer Jewish.

Kayitz Tov!

- Elisabeth Albert Gerson



Teen Engagement

Shehecheyanu

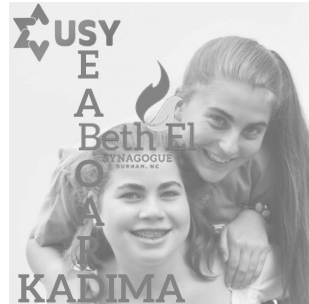
One of my favorite parts about Judaism is that we take time to acknowledge the small changes in our daily routine. I love having Shabbat dinner because without doing much out of the ordinary routine, you get to take time to acknowledge the transition from the work week to the weekend (and I am always looking for a reason to eat JCC challah). Another small thing we do to recognize a change to the ordinary is say a *Shehecheyanu*, [a short prayer that acknowledges doing something new or for the first time this year. It is a mitzvah to say *Shehecheyanu*, and who doesn't love a quick mitzvah?]

As I pack up my desk and prepare my transition documents, I can't help but be excited for all the new things coming to Beth El. The community will go through this transitional period that will bring such amazing new things, including a fantastic new building. As a community, you will also be welcoming a new Director of Teen Engagement, Averyl Edwards. I cannot wait to see all that happens as we transition together, and what amazing things Averyl can bring to the table. I encourage you to welcome someone new with open arms as you all warmly welcomed me. Think about what it means to acknowledge something new, to welcome the unknown into your life, whether saying a *Shehecheyanu* over eating a new fruit or to a new person, there is so much positivity in change.

With gratitude and excitement for new things,

-Rebecca Levine

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Orthodox Kehillah

The Durham Orthodox Kehillah (OK) is a warm and welcoming Orthodox congregation serving the Chapel Hill-Durham Jewish community. The OK conducts services every Shabbat and on all Jewish holidays, providing a venue for all those who prefer a traditional Orthodox service. Its congenial atmosphere during services has attracted residents from all parts of the Triangle as well as students and visitors, regardless of degree of observance. Self-organized administratively, governance of the OK relies entirely on member participation. This participatory spirit has allowed the OK to become an integral part of Jewish Orthodox life in the Chapel Hill/Durham/Cary/Raleigh area. The OK is growing. Below are few testimonies from people who recently joined:

"In the months since I started attending services in the Orthodox Kehillah, I have found the OK community to be extremely welcoming. Because the group is small and consistent, it has been easy to integrate and participate—I was asked to gabbai well before I would have thought to volunteer to do so, which has been rewarding. The community is warm and very supportive, both of my mistakes when learning to gabbai and of my active 4-year old, who has learned to be a regular opener of the Aron Kodesh and an enthusiastic participant in the procession". Jesse Summers.

"My name is Noam, I am from Israel, a newcomer to Durham. I wear a brown kippah with the words "IDF" on it. That's also because many of my friends' kids are at their mandatory IDF service now. That's why I was thrilled to see that the OK is doing a special honor, via a special prayer, for the soldiers of Israel, and Jerusalem, where I lived during my degree from Hebrew University. It brings emotions. In short (and especially in Hagim and Shabbat, because of the high spirit is there) I feel the closest possible to Israel, the country I love and miss so much. Besides that, I can't wait during the week to return to the OK to see my friends there. I know I sound like a Scouts student, but I'm over 50, the people at the OK are amazing, I'm crazy about them. Last, it's an openminded place, for the people are in a good spirit, with always some laughs too, all with Am Israel Ehad spirit. It gives hope". Noam Gordon.

"It would be easy to say that I have started praying with the Orthodox Kehillah because of the humble and haimish environment. The space is small but comfortable; the people warm and friendly; the service proceeds with alacrity, showing respect for the community and their time; and everyone lingers to socialize over the Kiddush. There is more though - when I pray with a community, I want a community that shares my values. I was raised as a Conservative Jew when that meant, among other things, being a halakhic Jew, obligated by the Torah and Jewish law, even if it conflicted with contemporary social norms. It meant giving priority to a moral responsibility for other Jews around the world. It meant being a Zionist, taking pride in the flourishing of Jewish life and culture in our ancient homeland Eretz Yisrael and defending the state of Israel that enables it. The Orthodox Kehillah is a community where I can find these Jewish values." Matt Diamond.

Interfaith Committee

In a Fractured World Beth El Can Build Bridges

by Leslie Winner

Ramadan has provided important opportunities for Beth El to host and be hosted by our friends in Durham's Islamic community, to learn about each other's religions and traditions, and to share conversation over the Ramadan break-fast.

On Shavuot, Beth El hosted a group of members of Durham's Jamaat-Ibad-Ar-Rahaman Mosque, led by Imam Mowlid Ali. I am guessing we were the only synagogue in NC to have a joint Shavuot/ Ramadan celebration! We started with Rabbi Greyber's tour of the synagogue, showing our guests the Torah, and his discussion of Shavuot's revelation to Moses. Then Imam Ali talked with us about revelation in the Islamic tradition. Did you know that the revelation of the Koran happened in Ramadan over the course of 23 years? At sundown Muslim prayers were said in our library, while Erev Shavuot service was held in the sanctuary. Afterward, we shared a meal accompanied by much heartfelt repartee. My dinner companion told me she had never had a real conversation with anyone Jewish before.

The following week, we focused on the meaning of fasting at a Ramadan celebration at the Ar Razzaq Mosque. Imam Greg Rashad taught us about fasting in the Islamic faith, and Rabbi Greyber spoke about fasting in Judaism. Then two members of each congregation talked about what fasting meant to them personally—the opportunity to use the time for reflection on what matters most in life without being distracted by eating, the clarity of vision that can be achieved after many hours of fasting, the sense of community that is felt when fasting together, the importance of internal intention that goes beyond the deprivation of food. Many thanks to Yonat Shimron and Barry Yoeman who told their stories so well.

Over dinner, we again had a kind of honest personal sharing that is all too rare between members of different religions. The day after our visit to Ar Razzaq, one of their members emailed me saying, "I wish we could have a replay!"

Through these two evenings we saw many parallels between our two religions, we learned about many differences, and we started forming personal relationships which Beth El can build on in the future.

Going forward, we have formed a partnership with Ar Razzaq called ABLE. (Ar Razzaq Beth El Learning and Loving Exchange: it's corny, but it's a good acronym). Through it we hope both to have more co-learning and shared meal times and to establish a joint effort to provide assistance to Muslim refugees living in Durham. We also hope to engage in further joint learning with our friends at Jamaat-Ibad-Ar-Rahaman.

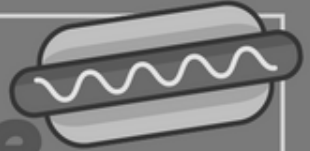
If you are interested in joining the Interfaith Outreach Working Group's email list, or in participating in our meetings, please email me at lesliewinner@gmail.com

In a fractured world, we can build bridges.

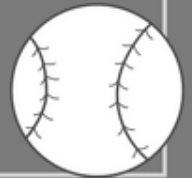




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8	Neil Felmus	2	1	Gustave Abramson	24	19	Gerard Goldstein	11	8	Freda	30			
8	Elizabeth Gay Thurston	2	1	Meyer Alpern	24	19	Albert Kodack	11	8	Ruth F.	30			
9	Rachel Geller	3	1	Leslie Becker	24	19	Frances Korn	11	8	Ruth	30			
9	Shlomo Geller	3	1	Moshe-Haiym Cohen	24	19	Sara Sitron	11	9	Helen "Hudi"	31			
9	Mary Kirshner	3	2	Leon Dworsky	25	20	Marjorie Jessinger	12						
9	Eunice Luebke	3	3	Louis Glaser	26	20	Dorothy Massey	12	10	Nathan E.	1			
10	Janet Alpern	4	3	Samuel Kirshner	26	21	Benjamin Brill, Jr	13	11	Sara Levine	2			
10	Yetta Greenberg	4	3	Mary Lazo-Wasem	26	21	Beatrice Pudolsky	13	11	Mayer Yakov	2			
11	Lester Bogdanoff	5	4	Phyllis Leah Back	27	22	James Airoidi	14	11	Sadie	2			
11	Albert M. Fleishman	5	4	Mamie Davidow	27	22	Gary Rosenberg	14	12	Judith London	3			
11	Ann Geller	5	4	Abraham Goldstein	27	24	Irving Hoffman	16	12	Isaac H.	3			
12	Dave Satlof	6	4	Sarah Dinah	27	26	Bennett Frankel	18	13	Robert	4			
13	Martin Landau	7	6	Stuart Bernstein	29	27	Hinda bas Iona	19	13	David Morton	4			
13	Nathan Ormoff	7	6	Shirlee Meyers	29	27	Ruth Diamond Berman	19	13	Ruth Seligman	4			
14	Jorge Gadli	8	6	Arthur Mordant	29	27	Ralph Schonberg	19	13	Mary	4			
14	Eva M. Woods	8	6	Percy Silver	29	27	Anna Krepchon	20	14	Bertha	5			
15	Norman Kirshner	9	7	Maurice "Mush" Levine	30	27	Dorothy Cassell	21	14	Melvin	5			
16	Julius J. Bienstock	10	Av	August		28	Howard Weissman	21	15	Abraham	6			
16	Mandel Silverman	10	9	Eleanor Brooks	1	29	Moshe ben Shimon	22	15	Martin	6			
17	Phillip Hyman	11	9	Clarice Goodman	1	29	Harriett Borman	23	15	Selma	6			
19	Frances Carel	13	9	Eugene Stevens	1	30	Beatrice Kurtz	23	15	Emma	6			
20	Raquel Levy	14	10	Catherine Epstein	2	Elul	Marcia Kudler	25	15	Karl	6			
20	Ray Rosenstein Lewin	14	10	Robert Edwin Hill, II	2	1	Ida Snyderman	25	15	Nettie	6			
20	Juliet Schwartz	14	10	Julienne Marder Winner	2	3	Zelda Bernard	27	16	Shirley	7			
21	Sidney Stern	15	12	Irving Max Halperin	4	5	Harry Brown	27	17	Marilyn	8			
22	Shayna Belenko	16	13	Jeannette Becker	5	5	Eve Feldman	27	18	Yaakov	9			
22	Arlene Bergman	16	13	Louis Cohen	5	5	Frank Malin	27	18	Carol Hart	9			
22	Steven Hershenow	16	13	Ruth Frank	5	5	Pearl Siegel	27	18	Adele Kaplan	9			
22	Myer B. Marcus	16	13	Isaac Ormoff	5	6	Lucille Anderson	28	18	William King Keyserling	9			
22	Pedro Urow	16	16	Ya'akov Frider	8	6	Shirley Kresses	28	18	Lewis Klein	9			
23	Bertha Agid	17	17	Herbert Cohn	9	6	Rebekah Resnick	28	20	Lee Ray Bergman	11			
24	Willie Massey	17	17	Barbara Guthmann	9	7	Florence Satinsky	28	20	Esther Kaplan	11			
24	Irma Fischer	18	17	Alice Hart	9	7	Walter Japert Broadwell	29	20	Abbott Pozefsky	11			
25	Carolyn Lubovsky	18	17	Herbert Strauss	9	7	Herman Gevarter	29	21	Jeanne Dreifus	12			
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25	Gerri Ann Pomerantz	19	18	Jay Howard Linn	10				21	Malvina Markman	12			
26	Grant Anderson	20	18	Maurice Rapport	10									
27	Joani Gudeman	21	18	Sy Sandick	10									
28	Louis Goldberg	22	18	Edward Strauss	10									
29	Edgar Arturo Lazo-Wasem	23	19	Grace Gladstein	11									

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24	Carrie Gladstein	11
24	Norma Lovins	12
25	Kenneth Baker	13
25	Jill Goldstein Lafrance	14
26	Carol Bowen	15
26	Lewis Cohen	15
26	Anna Grossman	16
26	Mollie Liptzin	16
26	Jacob A. Ornstein	16
27	Susan Cox	16
27	Irene Oakes	17
28	Clarence Berman	17
28	Jerry Robins	17
29	Robert Lubovsky	17
29	Sidney "Chick" Mandel	17
29	David Alexander Rosenfield	18
29	Sam Zarkin	18
1	Abraham Roskin	21
2	Rhea Fishman	22
3	Polly Salomon Gutman	23
3	Irene Silverstein	23
4	Rebecca Ementove	24
4	Roberta Morris	24
4	Heinz Speier	24
5	Sydney Back	25
5	Lottie Samuel	25
5	Leveritt A. Wallace	25
6	Rifkie Kresses Birnrey	26
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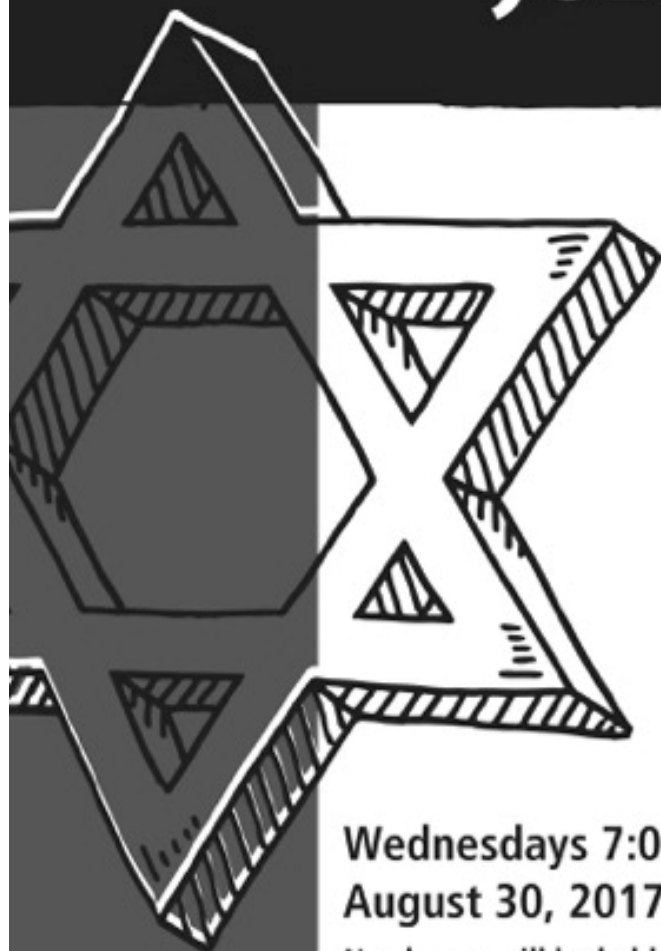
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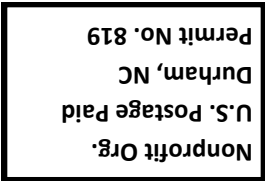
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