



## Light One Candle: Hanukkah in an Age of Rising Antisemitism *from Rabbi Alter*



We've all tried to be inconspicuous.

On the positive side, there is the joy of stealing a kiss. More typically, it's less positive, like cleaning up a messy sneeze in polite company. Trying to be inconspicuous often just draws

more attention. Or consider "inconspicuous Jewishness."

- Wearing a cap over, or instead of, a kippah
- Whispering "Shabbat Shalom" to a Jewish fellow traveler in a public space
- Explaining to a server, "I'm on a special diet. You see, I eat fish but not shellfish," when what we really mean is, "I keep kosher."

By striving to be inconspicuous, we closet ourselves, hiding who we really are. Why? Because who we really

are, and what we're really doing, may be bound up with embarrassment, shame, danger, or all three. It's hard to be inconspicuous with pride.

What's this all about? Hanukkah.

As expected, *Halacha* sets rules for Hanukkah lights: First, light right at sunset, when there are passersby to see your Menorah lit up. Light in an upstairs, street-facing window if you live upstairs. Ideally, set up and light a Menorah just outside one's front door, on the left as one faces the house. That way, stand flanked by the Menorah on the left and the Mezuzah on the right.

Our practice of adding a light each night has not always been standard. There was a time

when a single light each night of the holiday was sufficient. But what if a person were to stand outside their home holding a candle, yet not set that candle into a Menorah. Would that fulfill the Mitzvah? It would not.

I see a person standing outside their house, glancing about, trying to seem inconspicuous. Maybe pretending to look for a lost object. Or waiting for a tardy guest. Maybe the person convincingly suggests some good reason to be standing outside holding a candle. But the one thing she or he *doesn't* look like is a person celebrating and publicizing Hanukkah with light. For that there needs to be a Menorah.

Which brings us to antisemitism today. The sources recognize that in times of danger, lighting Hanukkah lights outside the home might court trouble. In such a setting, setting the lights inside, away from the windows, is the best course.

The Hanukkah story takes place when the majority culture (Hellenism) assumed that its values, practices, and devotions were neutral. That the many peoples conquered by Alexander and his heirs could get along by joining in. That each group's distinctive culture and religious practices were fine, so long as they accommodated Greek gods, too. Many Jews agreed. But Antiochus pursued his political goal of expanding his empire by neutralizing Jewish distinctiveness, which he saw as an impediment. He installed loyalists in Temple leadership who had no Jewish legitimacy and helped himself to the Temple's treasure. It's a long story, but when Antiochus ran up against a Jewish faction opposed to his religious totalitarianism, he decided it wasn't enough to tolerate Judaism while buffing away its

***"The best way to uphold America's commitment to diversity is to live it..."***

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# Join CBINT for Our Annual HANUKKAH CELEBRATION

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

Family Activities Begin at **5:00 p.m.**  
Ma'ariv Service at **6:00 p.m.**  
Candle Lighting & Dinner • Kids Arts & Crafts

Adults: **\$18 each**  
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### CBINT Hanukkah Dinner 2022

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Adults \_\_\_\_\_ (\$18 ea.) Children 3-11 \_\_\_\_\_ (\$10 ea.) Children 0-2 \_\_\_\_\_

OR Family Maximum Cost \_\_\_\_\_ (\$54 ea., must reside in same residence)

Children's Names & Ages \_\_\_\_\_

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Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

**Reservations & pre-payment are due December 5, 2022.**

**Return this form with your check, call the office, or register online.**

Total amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

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*(We cannot invoice your synagogue account)*



Questions? Contact 414-352-7310  
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# CBINT Sisterhood's 2022 HANUKKAH COOKIE SALE

The CBINT Sisterhood baking crew is again selling our Hanukkah cookies!

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- Frosted Sugar Cookies
- Mixture of both



Pre-packaged boxes available at the Glass Box gift shop starting December 8 through the holiday or while they last. Preorders begin on December 6.

**\$6 per Baker's Dozen (13 Cookies)**

Payment is expected upon pickup. Please make checks payable to CBINT Sisterhood.

To place an order:

**Contact Anita Bensman, 414-368-3166, [abensman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:abensman@sbcglobal.net)**

## Hanukkah in an Age of Rising Antisemitism *from Rabbi Alter (continued)*

rough edges. He outlawed Judaism altogether: the laws of the Torah, circumcision, kashrut, all of it.

I see a parallel in America. There are growing voices, most worryingly those espousing Christian nationalism, who reject the distinctiveness inherent in America's religiously diverse population, a diversity secured in the First Amendment. And there are full-on antisemites – celebrities, intellectuals, and political leaders among them – who regard Jews and Judaism as a threat to our country's independence and power, or to their own dignity.

However, as the furious reactions to [Kan] Ye West and Kyrie Irving indicate, those voices are neither in the majority nor do they have the upper hand. Law enforcement's vigorous response, and the broad consensus of our political leadership, demonstrate that preserving religious diversity in America remains a core commitment of American

society. We can and should celebrate the allies who have spoken out and taken the right action. Antisemitism still exacts a price in America. I grant that there is danger. But I'm not now prepared to concede that it's time for us to hide inside. To take refuge in inconspicuousness.

The best way to uphold America's commitment to diversity is to live it – to continue to light our Hanukkah Menorahs publicly, whether from outside our front door or, as is standard today, from a street-facing room inside. It is no time for us to whistle a happy tune, stuttering to passersby, "What me? No, nothing to see here," as we kindle our Hanukkah lights. Rather, with pride and confidence, with the devotion expressed by the Mezuzah and the lit Menorah's message of rededication, we should illuminate the dark night with our Hanukkah lights. We have a miraculous story to tell. Let's tell it.

Happy Hanukkah!

## The Stages of True Change *from Hazzan Stein*



Over the past 14 months, Yishai has gone through many stages. There are various movement stages, including the rolling over stage, the crawling stage, the walking stage, and, scariest of all so far, the climbing stage. (I

hear that the driving stage is even scarier, but thankfully, I've got time before I need to worry about that.) There are the various eating stages, from the just nursing stage, to the baby food stage, to the solid foods stage. And recently he's moved into an interesting stage, which I call the "Taking all the CDs off the shelf and throwing them on the floor" stage. From a developmental perspective, I'm not sure which category this last stage falls under, but I'm sure it fits into the "testing how the world works" stage, be he testing the laws of physics or my patience (or both).

There's another stage he's entering that I find fascinating. Communication. True, he's been communicating since his first days of life. Whenever he cried, he was communicating something: I'm hungry.

I need a diaper change. I need to be held. I'm just a baby

and life is very confusing and I don't know what I need but I need something. Etc. At that age, he obviously didn't have the words to communicate his needs, and early on, I doubt if he even knew exactly what he needed, only that he needed something and communicated that in the only way he knew how. It was up to us to figure out the need and the solution.

In the past month, though, Yishai has upped his communication game. No, he's not talking yet. And no, he's not mastered baby sign language (which we're working on). But his new thing is to come waddling to us, whimpering like a puppy, and hand us a baby board book (his current favorite is a classic called *If I Were a Bear*.) He doesn't have any words, but he's

clearly communicating something specific to us: "I want you to read this book to me." No, he's not delivering a keynote address, a detailed Talmudic analysis of this week's *parasha*, or even, say, using real words of any sort. But even so, it's clearly on a higher level of communication than simply crying because he needs *something*. And so go the various stages.

Which brings us, naturally, to Hanukkah. OK, that wasn't such a natural segue, but I'm getting there...

There's a famous argument in the Talmud between Hillel and Shammai about how to light the lights on Hanukkah. Do you start with one on the first night and build your way up (Hillel's way) or start with eight and work your way down to one on the last night (Shamai's way)? As we know, Hillel, as usual, won this argument. The reason is that we strive to increase in holiness each night, not decrease, even if oil (or candles) naturally decreases over time.

Lovely, right? But I've often wondered, if the miracle was that one night's worth of oil in the Temple Menorah lasted eight nights, why not light a full Menorah eight nights? Certainly Hillel's beautiful interpretation is inspiring enough. And yet, Yishai's developmental stages have given me a new way to understand it.

***"Freedom of any sort ... rarely comes easy."***

When we retell the Hanukkah story, it usually doesn't take very long. When the Syrian Greeks forbade Jewish practice, a

small band of rebels known as the Maccabees fought back, drove out the far superior Syrian Greek army, restored the Temple, and one day's supply of oil lasted eight. Yadda, yadda, yadda, Happy Hanukkah!

But think about all the stages that had to happen for the miracle of Hanukkah to occur. A group of Jews had to care that they were being repressed (many were all too happy to live as Hellenists). They had to organize themselves. They had to train themselves. And the war the Maccabees fought was hardly a quick in and out endeavor. There were several battles over the course of several years with an ebb and flow of victories and defeats along the way. And then finally the rededication (continued on page 5)



## Social Action Update

The months of September and October were busy with the High Holidays, Food Collection on Yom Kippur Eve for the Jewish Food Pantry, and celebrating in our sukkahs and dancing with the Torah! Lots of family time and fun. Social Action members were also busy finalizing the donations for community organizations in need.

Marge's Mitzvah Knitters have been busier than ever and deserve the spotlight for their lovely creations for the upcoming cold months. Knowing that our winter this year may be extra snowy and/or cold, these knitted items will be deeply appreciated by their recipients!

We are very grateful for the continued

support we receive from our synagogue members to underwrite and support our endeavors. We will share the positive replies of thanks we receive from the recipients as these funds are disbursed.

We will bring more information to you next month about future initiatives that the committee is working on. These include: composting efforts, tree plantings with our community partners, and more.

Stay healthy, happy, and engaged in life!

With gratitude,  
Barbara Simon and Beth Peterman,  
Co-Chairs – Social Action Committee

## Thank You and December Knitting Dates!

Thank you to all of the volunteers who are creating beautiful and functional warm-weather items through Social Action's Marge's Mitzvah Knitters. This group of dedicated volunteers knit and purled throughout the summer and autumn to provide much needed hats, scarves, mittens and blankets for our community partners. Organizations receiving **nearly 100 pieces** of our newest donations include Kids Matter and Hope House. If you would like to be a member of our knit-strong group, please

contact  
Ellen  
Goldstein  
or Sarie  
Shainock.  
We supply

the yarn and needles. **You supply the ruach.**

Please join us on Sundays, December 4 and 11, from 10 - 11:30 a.m. Enter through the East (main) door to Siegel Hall. Questions? Contact Ellen Goldstein, 414-861-6734



## The Stages of True Change *from Hazzan Stein (continued)*

of the Temple, which was no simple feat in and of itself.

Freedom of any sort, religious, political, social, etc., rarely comes easy. It comes with long, hard, dedicated work. It doesn't happen overnight, but over time and in stages. It can be hard to notice those stages in the moment when progress seems elusive, but recognizing and celebrating those stages of progress (while not staying complacent) can help center us and keep us committed to continuing to further the cause. Likewise, looking back on freedoms won, it's sometimes easy to forget the various stages, large and small, that marked the transition from oppression to liberation. Recalling these stages can help us more greatly appreciate the

privileges we enjoy, the sacrifices others made for our benefit, and the understanding that we often won't overcome our own struggles all at once, but in stages.

Yishai's development is marked by various stages. Marking and celebrating them (some more than others) helps me appreciate how far he's come and how far he still has to go. Adding one more light to the Menorah each night helps us increase the light and holiness in our lives, as Hillel taught, and it can also remind us of the stages that true change requires, the battles fought, and the hard work still ahead.

*Hag Urim Samei'ah* from me, Amanda, Mirit, Hadas, and Yishai Bear!

## Behold the Power of Cheese *from Beata Abraham*



We all know that Hanukkah is associated with the bravery of the Maccabees, the group of heroic Jews who rebelled against the Greek-Syrian empire, defeated it against ridiculously impossible odds, and rededicated the Temple in

Jerusalem. They lit a menorah with a little oil that lasted for eight days, thereby sentencing us to centuries of eating fried latkes to excess. But latkes should not be allowed to take over the entire culinary Hanukkah show. Thanks to the Book of Judith, our very own edible state mascot; cheese, deserves some recognition for its important, salty, and delicious part in the Hanukkah story.

Judith lived in the Judean town of Bethulia more than two and a half millennia ago. When the army of Assyrian King Nebuchadnezzar led by his general, Holofernes, invaded, Bethulia was put under siege. As the water in the walled town began to run out and children began to starve, the Jewish inhabitants decided it was time to surrender. But Judith's indomitable faith in God did not allow her to accept defeat. Instead, she decided to take matters into her own hands.

With her maid tow, Judith finagled her way into the enemy camp to meet general Holofernes himself. The intrepid Judith told him the town was about to surrender and that she'd rather side with his people. Holofernes quickly succumbed to her beauty and charms, allowing Judith to put her plan into action.

She began by preparing him a meal featuring an especially salty cheese. The cheese made Holofernes so thirsty he drank enough wine to pass out. Judith then cut the warrior's head off with his own sword, wrapped it in her bag and ran back to her people. When the Assyrian armies discovered their leader was dead, and saw his head carried aloft by Jewish fighters, they fled in panic and the town was spared.

Judith lived happily ever after until the age of 105, remaining unmarried despite the steady flow of suitors requesting her hand in marriage. Her town proudly held an annual parade in celebration of her heroism. Since this time, the name Judith has represented valor, honor, and cleverness for Jewish girls all over the world who have been named in her honor (shout out to the abundance of lovely local 'Judys' within our very own congregation!).

There's no denying that the history behind the story of Judith is a bit murky and that the gruesome violence would surely merit a PG-16 rating. But the story of a valiant, lionhearted widow who risked her own life to defeat a powerful enemy armed with only her wit, bravery, and some deliciously salty CHEESE, is a very inspiring tale indeed.

Of course, Milwaukee Cheeseheads already know the extraordinary power of cheese, and while we don't need yet another reason for eating it, incorporating cheese into our traditional Hanukkah menu is an excellent way to honor its integral part in helping lead Judith, one of our *activists-in-antiquity*, to a Jewish victory over our enemies. The story of this biblical bad(a)ss is the lesson of faith and courage we all need right now.

## CALLING ALL MAH JONGG PLAYERS!

Please consider ordering your 2023 National Mah Jongg League card from CBINT Sisterhood.

**Regular Cards: \$14 | Large Cards: \$15**

Please send your order & check made out to CBINT Sisterhood to Anita Bensman at: 5798 N. River Forst Dr., Milwaukee, WI 532 09. *Deadline is January 27.*





# 2022 Holiday Gifts Drive

from November 20th to December 14th

## WHAT TO DONATE

- Hygiene items
- Toys and games
- Adult and children's books
- Gift cards in \$5 or \$10 increments
- Men/women/children's clothing and undergarments/socks
- Men/women/children's cold weather gear

\*All items new or like-new\*

## DROP OFF / VISIT THE GIVING CHANUKIAH

Visit any of these locations to drop off items or take a candle from the GIVING CHANUKIAH to fill a specific need at:

- Congregation Sinai
- Congregation Shalom
- Congregation Shir Hadash
- Congregation Beth Israel Ner Tamid
- Hillel Milwaukee
- Lake Park Synagogue
- Temple Menorah
- Congregation Emanu-El B'Ne Jeshurun
- Milwaukee Jewish Day School

## BENEFITTING:

Serenity Inns, Meta House, Jewish Family Services, Aurora Walkers Point Community Clinic, Pathfinders, Community Advocates MKE Women's Center, and Grand Avenue Club

## VOLUNTEER AND MORE

Volunteers needed! Everyone is welcome to participate! Scan the QR code to get involved. Or visit our website <https://thi-milwaukee.org/> to volunteer and donate!



Questions? Contact Rhonda at [rhonda@thi-milwaukee.org](mailto:rhonda@thi-milwaukee.org) or at (312) 890-1043



## Yahrzeits for December beginning on the evening prior to:

### December 1

Max Chernin  
Eva Dygola  
Max Henry Flom  
Esther Greenstein

### December 2

Ida Lisberg  
Max Lubow  
Saul Robert Slotnick  
Rose (Razel) Peltz  
Joseph Nowick  
Hannah Rossin  
Tobi Claire Friesler  
Norman D. Marcus  
Sylvia Luber

### December 3

Molly Arieff  
Joshua Smotkin  
Molly Cohan  
Sarah Wiletzky  
Miriam Rosenberg  
Milton B. Berland  
Sylvia Luber  
Sandra Zetley  
Abraham Stram

### December 4

Louis Blumenthal  
Toby Granof  
Julius Mintz  
Donald Pollack  
Mary Barnett  
Lillian Atlas Koshakow  
Fred Chester

### December 5

Pesach Barash  
Tybe Gorbitz  
Mary Harris  
Ida Kaye Perchonok  
Oscar Safer  
Hannah Shuger  
Bernice Siegel  
Sarah Weinstein  
Harry Horwitt  
Sarah Kulakow  
Pauline Goldstein  
Mary Harris  
David Glazer  
Joyce Yudkovitch  
Marjorie Kulakow

### December 6

Siegfried Frankenthal  
Molly Kleiner  
Mr. Lichter  
Meyer Palay  
Nathan E. Harris  
Emanuel Milton Goodman  
Isaac Wolfsohn  
Ethel Mason  
Harold Denny  
Richard Bootzin

### December 7

Chaya Achiassaf  
Melvin Kramer  
Max Sands  
Rose Forman  
Adolph Frindell  
Eileen Blumberg  
Benjamin Hirschberg  
Dora Stern  
Sharon Newman

### December 8

Lena Mackman  
Celia Pump  
Philip Zarem  
Herman Albert  
Abraham Liebenberg  
Bernard Yale Arieff  
Eugene Pressman  
Pearl Kotchen  
Dr. Lowell Smotkin  
Morris Hindin

### December 9

Morrie Mechanic  
Elias Resnick  
Millicent Rogoza

Isadore Stern  
Larry A. Alpert  
Zelda Cohan  
Fannie Frankel  
Henry G. Jacobs  
Dr. Earl Rosen  
Ephraim Shainock  
Michael Kaiser

### December 10

M. Bart  
Ethel Bernstein  
Alice Paro  
Ruth Jacobson  
Sam Lotwin  
Akiva Temkin  
Benjamin Parr  
Sam Margoles  
Mildred Alpert  
Alvin Jampole  
Sarah Pekofsky  
David Harris

### December 11

Lillian Beckerman  
Peter Geller  
Maureen Harris  
Ardis Zarem  
Norman J. Komisar  
Peter J. Mazur  
Israel Weiss  
Terri Lynn Schohl

### December 12

Bessie Rubenstein Cohen  
Norbert Kahn  
Max Kohl  
Bella Press  
Eli Max Smith  
Lilian Kabins  
Trana Pass  
Joel (Butch) Miller

### December 13

Riva Berg  
S. Bischoff  
Celia Rogatz  
Rose Kessler Waldman  
Peter Wheeler  
Hannah Tokayer  
Louis R. Margoles  
Morris J. May  
Ida Sherman

### December 14

Dr. Allan Berger  
Charlotte Gellerman  
Morris H. Marcus  
Anna Schalcowitz  
Norman Esser  
David Green  
Dr. Gerald Rosen

### December 15

Bessie Gerber  
Lorraine Miner  
Sarah Nelson Berlowitz  
Edward Kaiser  
Rebecca Leah Mayer  
Sarah Itte Mayer  
Sonia Mayer  
Esther Samosky  
Joseph A. Shapiro  
Barbara W. Kaiser  
William John Kotchen  
Joseph Bernstein

### December 16

Abe Koritzinsky  
Martin Lome  
Israel Nof  
Anna Paley  
Daniel Wiener  
Sara Zarem  
Morris Shevinsky  
Samuel Fessler  
Spencer M. Meyers  
Morris Rubin  
Jack Stern  
Beatrice Muchin

### December 17

Arthur L. Alpert

Harold Gindlin  
Jeffrey Lee Koshakow  
William Oxman  
Ruth Slomovitz  
Albert Wolfman  
Aaron Luck  
David Harris  
Aaron Mayer  
Ben Biskowitz

### December 18

Louis Gelin  
Jack Gerstein  
Hilda Lane  
Benjamin Sable  
Jacob Schnell  
Ruth Rosenfeld  
Josef Wasser  
Bluma Weinstock  
Jeanne Kadwit  
Edythe Wasserman

### December 19

Jill Diane Berman  
Edith Burchman  
Lillian Siegel  
Morris L. Bach  
Edwin J. Kaiser  
Rose Kaiser  
Harry S. Kreeger  
Frank Eisendrath  
Sidney Goldstein  
Belle Wallace  
M. Michael Weber  
Leonard Merkow  
Martin Carneol

### December 20

Herbert Honig  
Leone S. Horowitz  
Harry Lerer  
Arthur R. Levin  
Dr. Mark S. Roth  
Ida Feldman Eisenstadt  
Max Levin  
Yuspa Miller

### December 21

Yetta Kaufman  
Sarah Lesgold  
N. Mollick  
Lena Samosky  
Harry Weinstein  
Yetta Kaufman  
Solomon Weinstein

### December 22

Sarah Emold  
William Hessel  
Marcia Hirschman  
Dora Jacobs  
Louis Kaplan  
Max Pearlman  
Rivka Saltzman  
Gertrude Kaiser  
Oscar Bear  
Abraham Bookstaff  
Bernard Kramer  
Benjamin Lazarus  
Selma Mechanic  
Frances Zussman  
Robert Kulakow  
Edward Losyev

### December 23

Hilda Ann Blumenfeld  
Sarah Honigman  
Erving Miller  
Esther Thurm  
Dr. Wilfred S. Dubin  
Sam Cohen  
Mary Mazur  
Jeri Anne Marcuvitz  
Jeri Marcuvitz

### December 24

Joseph Gottlieb  
Gilda Kleiner  
Abraham Majzels  
Jerry Mauer  
Max Sattler  
Philip Kaminsky

Anne Horwitt Butler  
Selma Mechanic  
Robert Berg  
Rhoda Wertheimer

### December 25

Mark Baron  
Phillip Irwin  
Fannie Lauwasser  
Charles Rubinstein  
Miriam Stern  
Henry Gilbert  
Abraham Zolot

### December 26

Harry Balkansky  
Jennie Millner  
Gertrude Weiss  
Max Brier  
Anne Butler  
Joel Borkin  
Emil Josef Isaac  
Rose Lehman

### December 27

Joseph B. Bachman  
Anna Bence  
Mary Kohl  
Max Louis  
David Schuckit  
Louis Weber  
Sarah Jacobson  
Benjamin Sires  
Lucille Lois Jendlin  
Isadore Wagan  
Mildred Mickey Lerner  
Lynne Willens  
Gary Staiman

### December 28

Harold Geller  
Jennie Himmelreich  
David Lauwasser  
Jack L. Marcus  
Samuel Moglowsky  
Ben F. Schwade  
Louis S. Stern  
Milton M. Turner  
Abraham Berkovits  
Milton Turner  
Louis Minkoff  
Charlotte Shavzin

### December 29

Bella Blumberg  
Clarence W. Laux  
Sol Jack Leshin  
Elizabeth Rubnitz  
Belle Skurow  
Morris Nelson  
Ella Ann Fabric  
Gordon Wein  
Sylvia Wein

### December 30

Albert I. Becker  
Linda Dinkes  
Ida Grossman  
Alvin Lorber  
Nathan J. Rakita  
Sam Siminofsky  
Sam Swerdlow  
Calma Nagurka  
Louis Belin  
Clara Feinberg  
Mamie Kaiser  
Shirley Chase  
Ilse Eisendrath

### December 31

Louis Newman  
Meyer Polansky  
Jennie Spector  
Edward Sodos  
Mickey Sattell  
Ruth Feldman  
Cecil J. Meisel  
Jack Abrams  
Charlotte Lerner  
Yvonne Dunkleman



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CBINT's Sisterhood is the local chapter of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism, an international organization of 500 synagogue Sisterhoods and Women's Groups. We proudly have a significant role in contributing to a wide variety of CBINT endeavors. Our dues, donations, and fundraisers directly support:

- Direct financial contributions to CBINT
- Torah Fund and the Jewish Theological Seminary
- Financial support to Hazzan Stein's programming
- Financial support to our School of Religious Studies
- Financial support to our Youth Groups
- Financial support to our Hanukkah Celebration
- Scholar in Residence Shabbat
- Sisterhood Shabbat
- Glass Box Gift Shop: a resource for Judaica and giftware
- Women's Voice lecture series

- "Diva's Day Out" Vendor Fair
- Gifts for our B'nai Mitzvot students
- Diverse and enhanced programming
- Shabbat Kiddushim (including challah, honey cakes, and Hamentashen)
- Local special needs initiatives and education efforts
- Countless volunteer opportunities

We invite you to be a part of all of this with your **\$40 annual membership**. A contribution of **\$400 gives you a Life Membership** in both the CBINT Sisterhood and the Women's League for Conservative Judaism!

Joining is easy! Please go to **[CBINTMilwaukee.org/connect/sisterhood](https://CBINTMilwaukee.org/connect/sisterhood)** for multiple ways to pay for your membership.

We cannot wait to be with you and reunite as CBINT's vital Sisterhood. Thank you!

## A Heartfelt Thank You

Thank you to everyone who expressed their condolences for our sister, Ruthe Zubatsky. She is greatly missed by our entire family and her many friends.

Buddy & Esther Siegel & Family

Thank  
you ❤️

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Judy Glotzer

### **Social Action Committee**

Elaine Nelles

### **In Memory of Mayta Schnoll General Fund**

Albert Beder and Family

### **Beth Hearst Fund**

Judy Wolkenstein

### **Merry Atinsky Kiddush Fund**

Evelyn Melton

### **In Memory of Toby Forbes**

### **Ervin and Suzann Colton Education**

### **Fund**

Marshall Forbes

## We Celebrate December's Member Birthdays!



Please find the complete list of this month's birthdays on our website:

[CBINTMilwaukee.org/celebrate/birthdays](http://CBINTMilwaukee.org/celebrate/birthdays)



## CBINT Youth Scholarship Application 2023

Congregation Beth Israel Ner Tamid is fortunate to have several endowment funds that were established to provide scholarships to children and young adults, up to age 26, of our current members in good standing.

Scholarships are available for CBINT youth to assist them in furthering their Jewish education. Activities include students attending Jewish overnight camps, USY programs, Jewish high school in Israel, organized Jewish educational tours in Israel,

and Jewish advanced college studies in Israel. Preference is given to individuals who participate in programs sponsored by the Conservative Movement and/or who have a true financial need. These endowments do not fund day camp or non-Jewish education-based programs.

Contact the CBINT office, 414-352-7310, or Marlynn, [marlynnb@cbintmilwaukee.org](mailto:marlynnb@cbintmilwaukee.org), with any questions. **Apply online through the CBINT website: [www.cbintmilwaukee.org](http://www.cbintmilwaukee.org).**



## CBINT Funds

**Alan & Rita Marcuvitz Education Endowment Fund** – Funds to be used for adult, youth, and family education.

**Balkansky Fund** – Provides scholarships for Camp Ramah.

**Beth Hearst Fund (Formerly Passport to Israel)** – Provides funds for current youth and educational programs.

**Carl S. and Sandra G. Zetley Generation to Generation Fund** – Provides funds for education and family programming.

**CBINT/Religious School Fund** – Underwrites tuition for children of members attending the CBINT School of Religious Studies.

**Ervin & Suzann Colton Education Endowment Fund** – Provides funds for Scholars in Residence and other speakers.

**Gemilut Hasadim** – Provides funds for Shabbat meals for CBINT families with newborns or families in mourning.

**General Fund** – Provides funds to maintain CBINT.

**Harold M. Kramer Beautification Fund** – Provides funds for beautification projects at CBINT.

**Hazzan's Discretionary Fund** – Fund established for charitable causes.

**Isadore & Sylvia Blankstein Library Fund** – Provides funds for CBINT library acquisitions.

**Jacobson Chapel Fund** – Provides funds for the maintenance of Jacobson Chapel.

**Kenneth Weber Choir Fund** – Fund dedicated to supporting the choir and other musical programs.

**Landscape Fund** – Provides funds for the ongoing enhancement and maintenance of the CBINT grounds.

**Marilyn Zetley Children's Library Fund** – Provides funds for the children's section of the library (books, furniture, etc.)

**Merry Atinsky Kiddish Fund** – Helps CBINT Sisterhood provide kiddish lunches after Shabbat services

**Panitch CBI Family Education Fund** – Assists CBINT families with financial needs who wish to attend family education retreats.

**Pentateuh/Humash Fund** – Provides funds to purchase Pentateuh/Humashim. Books will have a dedication bookplate.

**Prayer Book Fund** – Provides funds to purchase prayer books/siddurim. Books will have a dedication bookplate.

**Rabbi's Discretionary Fund** – Fund established for charitable causes.

**Rabbi Panitch Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund** – Provides scholarships for Camp Ramah.

**Sam & Aidee Cooper Art Fund** – Provides funds to purchase art for CBINT.

**School Fund** – Provides funds for the school and special school projects.

**Senior Activities Fund** – Provides funds for social, spiritual and educational opportunities for mature adults.

**Shirley Bass Floral Fund** – Provides bima flowers for the holidays.

**Sol & Esther Blankstein Scholarship Fund** – Assists high school/college students to pursue Jewish Education.

**Soloman & Yetta Soloff Memorial Adult Education Fund** – Established in the memory of Dr. Soloman & Yetta Soloff. Promotes and supports Adult Education programs.

**Special Scholarship Endowment Fund** – Provides scholarships for Jewish education.

**Stein Mendelson Scholarship Fund** – Provides funds for a Camp Ramah scholarship for one student per summer.

**The Schuster Family Endowment Fund for Second Home Cemetery**

**William & June Sherkow Scholarship Fund** – Provides funds for charitable, educational, or religious purposes.

**Youth Scholarship Endowment Fund (YSEF) (Formerly Youth Education Endowment Fund)** – Provides scholarships for trips to Israel, Jewish overnight camp and advanced Jewish education.

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Please call to confirm office operation hours.

## Worship & Service Information

### Weekday Services:

7:30 am and 6:00 pm

### Sunday and Civic Holidays:

9:00 am and 6:00 pm

### Shabbat:

9:30 am

Saturday evening services are held weekly on Zoom after sunset. See our website, weekly eblast or contact the office for service times.

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