

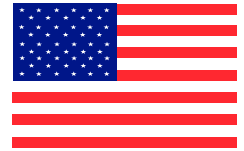
CONGREGATION

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The Bulletin

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Feeding the Hungry

Judaism teaches us that we are responsible for those who cannot take care of themselves, no matter what the reason may be. We should be involved and concerned with the plight of fellow human beings. Every life is sacred, and we are obligated to do what we can to help others.

The following story from the Chassidic tradition illustrates the value in sharing and helping others:



A great rabbi was given the privilege of seeing Heaven and Hell before his death. He was taken first to Hell, where he was confronted with a huge room which contained a large elegant table covered from one end to the other with the most delicious foods that the eyes have ever seen or the mouth tasted. All around the table people were sitting looking at the food...and wailing. For although each person had this incredible banquet before him, no one was able to eat the food. Everyone's arms were splinted so that the elbows could not bend. These people could touch the food but could not bring it to their mouths to enjoy it.

The great rabbi then was taken to Heaven, and to his surprise, he was confronted by the identical scene: the large banquet room, elegant table, lavish settings, and sumptuous foods. Once again, everyone's arms were splinted so the elbows could not bend. Here, however, there was no wailing, but rather joy greater than he had ever experienced in his life. For while the people here could not put the food into their own mouths, each picked up the food and fed it to another. They were thus able to enjoy, not only the beautiful scene, the wonderful smells, and the delicious foods, but the joy of sharing and helping one another.

Please consider sharing your prosperity with others by donating to the Atlanta Hunger Walk. Inside this Bulletin, you will find several ways to help.



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Dear Congregants,

What are you hungry for? If you are hungry for a spiritually uplifting experience, Jewish education, and a place to connect with friends and bask in your Jewish identity, Congregation B'nai Israel is your home. At Congregation B'nai Israel we strive to feed your hunger for a more meaningful life. As a Reform congregation we are also concerned with the greater community and those that may be feeling the physical pain of hunger. Next month our congregation will participate in the Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta Annual 2014 Hunger Walk to help those in need.

One of the tenets of Reform Judaism is the concept of Tikkum Olam, repairing the world. As Jews it is imperative that we reach out as a community to help support those that are hungry.

20 percent of the people living in Georgia are food insecure, meaning that they don't always know where they will find their next meal. This is up from 19.9% last year. (*Feeding America, [2013 Map the Meal Gap](#) Study released in June 2013 reflects data collected in 2011.*)

28.8 percent of Georgia children live in food insecure households. This is up from 28.3% last year and is well over **one in every four** Georgia children. The USDA defines food insecurity as the lack of access to adequate food resulting from the lack of money and other resources. (*Feeding America, [2013 Map the Meal Gap: Child Food Insecurity study released in June 2013 reflects data collected in 2011](#)*)

Monthly allotments for food-insecure families receiving food stamps decreased beginning Nov. 1, 2013. **\$36 less each month for a household of four.** (*Atlanta Community Food Bank and [Center for Budget and Policy Priorities](#), Oct. 2013*)

Our congregation is planning to participate in two activities that will allow us to help those that are in need of food. The first is our Hunger Walk Social on Saturday March 1, 2014 at the home of Dr. Jeffrey and Karen Kalins at 7pm. We are asking that you make a donation to the Hunger Walk that evening as well as bringing an appetizer or dessert to share. This will be a great opportunity to socialize with friends and help out those in need. The second opportunity to feed the hungry is walking as a team member or sponsoring the CBI Striders in the Annual Hunger Walk on March 9 at Turner Field. We will walk as a team, young and old carrying our Congregation banner to show our support for this worthy cause as well as teaching our youngsters by example the importance of tzedakah. See the flyer for more information about this event and how to donate. As a congregation we will be a strong force in supporting the greater community to reach its goals of making a difference in feeding the hungry of our community. See you at the social and get out your walking shoes!

Sharon

COMING EVENTS



Don't miss any of these amazing CBI events!

Check your E-Blast, the CBI website,
or call the Office (678-817-7162) for more details!

February 6	Women's Series: "Ahead of Time" screening	7:00PM
February 7	Confirmation Shabbat Service	8:00PM
February 8	Imax Experience Movie-Jerusalem Fernbank Science Center	5:00PM
February 10	Board Meeting	7:00PM
February 12	Southside Seniors at CBI Bring a dairy dish to share	12:30PM
February 13	Fayette County Proclamation for CBI Fayette County Courthouse	6:45PM
February 13	Torah Study	7:00PM
February 14	Shabbat Service led by Susan Burden	8:00PM
February 21	Shabbat Service led by Susan Burden	8:00PM
February 26	CBI Book Club <i>Twelve Years A Slave</i> by Solomon Northup	7:30PM
February 27	Shayna Maideleh (Sisterhood) Mellow Mushroom—275 Georgia 74 - PTC	7:00PM
February 28	Family Shabbat with Rabbi Feldstein Italian Dinner/Dairy Shabbat Service	6:30PM 7:30PM
March 1	CBI Hunger Walk Social The Kalins' home	7:00PM

Invitation

Hunger Walk Fundraiser

A party for a good cause

Good Friends helping the less fortunate

Date: Sat. March 1, 2014
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Karen & Jeffrey Kalins
140 Broadmoor Drive
Fayetteville 30215

Everyone is welcome - bring your friends/ family and an
appetizer or dessert to share
(adults only)

Donations to the Hunger Walk/Run are greatly appreciated

Donate with a check made out to *Hunger Walk/Run 2014* or donate on-line at HRW2014.org. Click on 'Jewish Federation', scroll down and click 'Join a Team'. Scroll down to 'Team Name' and key in 'CBI' then highlight 'Congregation B'nai Israel' on left and click 'Search'. Scroll to 'Search Results' where 'CBI' appears and press 'Join'. Then follow directions to donate or register to Walk/Run.

PLEASE RSVP to Karen Kalins at nonny51@aol.com or [404-729-9567](tel:404-729-9567)

Save the Date!

2014 Hunger Walk/Run
5K Walk/5K Run
Sunday, March 9, 2014
Turner Field • Atlanta, GA

Hunger Walk/Run is a project of
The Atlanta Community Food Bank.

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**HUNGER
WALK/RUN**
Taking Steps
Together
HWR2014.org



You can make a difference for those facing hunger in our community!

Join thousands of walkers and runners coming together to support our neighbors in need and celebrate the work that's being done. Enjoy the festival atmosphere before and after the 5K Walk/Run including food, games, educational activities, children's play zone, sponsor tents, live music and more! The event benefits local nonprofit hunger relief organizations which provide food assistance to families, children, seniors and individuals in need. You can help support local hunger relief and make a real difference!

Register • Fundraise • Fight Hunger >> Make a Difference!

To Join the CBI Team Log onto HWR2014.org

- Click on 'Jewish Federation' on right, scroll down + click on 'Join a Team'
- Scroll to 'Enter Team Name' + key in 'CBI'; call up list (right) + highlight 'Congregation B'nai Israel'
- Click on 'Search' then scroll to 'Search Results' where 'CBI' appears + press 'Join'
- Then just follow directions to register to Walk/Run/Donate

OR

Contact Angie Ellis at cbiadmin@bnai-israel.net or 678-817-7162

PRIZES!

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For the 3 Walkers/Runners that raise the most \$\$\$

Get your family & friends to Sponsor You by making a donation and you can win an exciting prize!



FAMILY SHABBAT

Join us for Shabbat with Rabbi Feldstein

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2014

ITALIAN DAIRY DINNER AT 6:30PM

SHABBAT SERVICE AT 7:30PM



- Fun family-oriented service - Feldstein-style
- Shabbat Shekalim
- Torah portion: P'kudei Exodus 38:21-40:38
Continues the story of the Mishkan and God's instructions for the Israelites
- Torah study following services

Plan to bring your favorite dairy Italian dish to our dinner.
Drinks and dessert will be provided.

Spaghetti with marinara sauce, veggie lasagna, cheese or veggie pizza, cheese ravioli, salads, and garlic bread are just a few of the MEATLESS suggestions!

Congregation B'nai Israel - Call 678-817-7162 for more information!



KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM
is partnering with
CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL

You can help CBI while doing your weekly shopping and/or fueling your car!

By registering your Kroger Plus Card, every purchase you make at Kroger (food, fuel, gift cards for other retailers) will generate an automatic 5% rebate of your purchase costs to CBI! There is NO charge to you, nor does it affect the cost of what you buy. It costs you NOTHING to participate!

- Kroger is making the donation, not you
- Kroger sends CBI a check quarterly based on the purchases our registered members make
- The program applies to all purchases at Kroger stores, pharmacies and gas stations in the country, including gift cards for other retailers (see exceptions below)
- Rebates add up quickly for CBI if everyone shops even one time per month
- Members still receive all discounts and gas points as before - NO CHANGES AT ALL!

How to enroll

The CBI NPO number: 107574

- Simply click on "Enroll" and register online at www.krogercommunityrewards.com
- Be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy and register your card with your organization after you sign up
- If you do not yet have a Kroger Plus card, they are available at the customer service desk at any Kroger, www.kroger.com or call 1-800-KROGERS
- Click on Sign In/Register
- Enter the NPO number for CBI (107574) and select CBI from list and click on confirm
- To verify you are enrolled correctly, you will see your organization's name on the right side of your information page
- Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the ALT ID (phone number) that is related to their registered Kroger Plus card when shopping for each purchase to count

Are there any purchases that won't count?

- Alcohol
- Tobacco
- Government Assisted Pharmacy Expenses
- Postage Stamps
- Kroger Co. Family of Stores Gift Cards
- Green Dot Prepaid Reloadable Products
- MoneyPaks
- 1-2-3 Rewards Reloadable Visa PrePaid Debit Card
- ReCharge Cards
- American Express Variable Load Gift Cards
- Visa Variable Load Gift Cards
- MasterCard Load Gift Cards
- Bottle Deposits
- Lottery and Promotional tickets
- Money Orders
- Western Union
- Fuel and Sales Tax

***What are you waiting for? If you shop at Kroger, get enrolled today and help support CBI!
Call the CBI Office at 678-817-7162 or email Angie Ellis for more information.***

ARE WE JEWISH IF WE CAN'T BAKE CHALLAH?

Congregation B'nai Israel Women's Education Series

Winter/Spring 2014

Remember when you looked at life as an endless highway of adventure?



No matter where you have been, there is always one more journey ahead!

WOMEN'S SERIES INFORMATION

- Cost for entire series:
\$18/CBI members - \$36/Non-members
- All sessions at CBI from 7pm - 9pm
- See session descriptions for specific dates and topics
- Call CBI office at 678-817-7162 or send email to sburden@bnai-israel.net to register

SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

Session 1: Thursday, February 6, 2014

Program: Special screening of "Ahead of Time: The Extraordinary Journey of Ruth Gruber" with discussions before and after the film -- plus finger food dinner for noshing all evening

Focus: *On being Jewish women in modern roles - exploring our feminist, trailblazing selves*

Session 2: Thursday, March 6, 2014

Program: Explore the connections between Jewish women, Jewish food, and our history, culture, and future, with hands-on food experiences: "The Way to the Heart of Judaism Is through the Stomach" No cooking skills required! If you can eat, you're qualified!

Focus: *On being Jewish women as nurturers of the Jewish community and sustainers of our heritage and values - exploring ourselves as cooks and/or consumers*

Session 3: Thursday, April 3, 2014

Program: Discover the artist in each of us through an amazing pre-Passover art and text workshop: "The Colors of the Haggadah" presented by Rabbi Pamela Gottfried. No prior art experience required and all supplies provided!



Rabbi Pamela Gottfried
Atlanta rabbi, artist, and author

Focus: *On being Jewish women as creative spirits - expressing the values and meaning in Torah through art and language*

Session 4: Thursday, May 1, 2014

Program: Connect spiritually with a meaningful and fun Rosh Chodesh Women's Seder, the traditional women's service for the new moon. We will sing, pray, eat, learn, and bond together.

Focus: *On being Jewish women as spiritual souls - building a special community together*

Congregation B'nai Israel ~ Fayetteville, GA 30214 ~ 678-817-7162

(at the corner of Corinth Road and Hwy 54)

Angela Ellis, Administrator ~ cbiadmin@bnai-israel.net

Susan Burden, Cantorial Soloist ~ sburden@bnai-israel.net

There is still time to register for any of these classes. Why not take a chance on learning something new and making new friends?

CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL
Adult Education Registration Winter/Spring 2014

Name _____

Address _____

Phone: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

E-mail _____

CBI Member: Y__ N__ Religious Affiliation _____

Check Course(s) Desired	Course Name	Description	Tentative Day and Time	Tentative Dates	Cost
	Adult Learning Series: Jewish Holidays and Life Cycle	Let's have some fun learning about the customs, rituals, and reasons behind all our Jewish holidays and our life cycle events from birth through mourning	Thursday 7:00pm-8:30pm	February 20, 2014 March 20, 2014 April 17, 2014 May 15, 2014 (4 sessions)	\$10.00/ Member \$20.00/ Non-Member
	Adult Education 1: Hebrew 101 Beginning Course Cost includes textbooks	Learn the Hebrew alphabet, decode letters and vowels, read words, acquire a basic vocabulary, and begin to follow prayers during worship (No pre-requisite)	Thursday 2:00pm-3:00pm (day class) OR 6:00pm-7:00pm (evening class)	February 13 & 27, 2014 March 13 & 27, 2014 April 10 & 24, 2014 May 8 & 22, 2014 (8 sessions)	\$50.00/ Member \$75.00/ Non-Member
	Adult Education 2: Hebrew 101.5 Beginning Course continues Use textbook from Hebrew 101	Continue learning the Hebrew alphabet, decode letters and vowels, read words, acquire a basic vocabulary, and begin to follow prayers during worship (Prerequisite: Hebrew 101)	Monday 2:00pm-3:00pm (day class) OR 6:00pm-7:00pm (evening class)	February 10 & 24, 2014 March 10 & 24, 2014 April 21 & 28, 2014 May 5 & 19, 2014 (8 sessions)	\$18.00/ Member \$36.00/ Non-Member
	Adult Education 3: Comparative Religions - Part 2	Review the philosophy and practices of the world's major religions and discover insights from many minor religions, cults, and distinctions of Messianic Judaism/Jews for Jesus	Monday 7:15pm-8:30pm	February 10 & 24, 2014 March 10 & 24, 2014 April 21 & 28, 2014 May 5 & 19, 2014 (8 sessions)	\$18.00/ Member \$36.00/ Non-Member
	Adult Education 4: Understanding the Mitzvot	This is your chance to find out just what those 613 Mitzvot actually are all about. In a fun and insightful way, we will cover all the commandments to help make the Mitzvot more meaningful to you	Wednesday 7:30pm-8:30pm	February 12, 2014 March 12, 2014 April 9, 2014 May 14, 2014 (4 sessions)	\$10.00/ Member \$20.00/ Non-Member
	Adult Education 5: Wow ! So that's where that story comes from!	We'll study the books of Joshua, Judges, First and Second Kings, the first four books of the Nevi'im (the books of the Prophets). Don't miss this interactive discussion course facilitated by Glenn Kersey	Wednesday 7:30pm-8:30pm	February 5 & 19, 2014 March 5 & 19, 2014 April 2 & 30, 2014 May 7 & 21, 2014 (8 sessions)	\$18.00/ Member \$36.00/ Non-Member
	Women's Series: Are We Jewish If We Can't Bake Challah? Cost includes supplies for class activities	Gather as Jewish women to learn about women's issues and spirituality, women's roles in modern Jewish life and throughout history, and fun women's traditions. With guest speakers and a special Rosh Chodesh seder	Thursday 7:00pm-8:30pm	February 6, 2014 March 6, 2014 April 3, 2014 May 1, 2014 (4 sessions)	\$18.00/ Member \$36.00/ Non-Member

Fees include all text books and materials. If you take more than one class, there will be a 20% discount on the total fee. Exact times and dates for classes will be determined by class registrations. If you are interested in a class but the tentative day or time is an issue, please email or call me. [sburden@bnai-israel.net or 678-817-7162]

Fill out and return this registration form to CBI with your payment. Make all checks payable to Congregation B'nai Israel and mail to P.O. Box 142481, Fayetteville, GA 30214 or scan and email forms to sburden@bnai-israel.net and/or drop off payment at the CBI Office.



CBI CELEBRATES

FEBRUARY—HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mira Bookman
Thomas Charyton
Linda Davidson
Steven Feinstein
Rebecca Flug
Junko Krasow
Kirsten Mednick
Cody Rosenberg
Zachary Saleh
Gail Schwartz
Mike Schwartz
Jake Tarleton
Nadine Winter

FEBRUARY—HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Mike & Debbie Edison
Steven & Andrea Feinstein

If you would like your birthday or anniversary in the bulletin, or if you would like to wish someone a Happy Birthday, Happy Anniversary or other simcha, please contact the office at 678-817-7162. It is our wish to include everyone.

Tree of Life Leaves

**In honor of Rena McGee's
Graduation from ESI as
A certified esthetician
Her proud mother, Elaine**

**Happy 1st Birthday
Samuel David Tyler,
Love GW and Gram,
10/26/13**

AROUND THE BUILDING

Have you been to the CBI playground lately? If so you may have noticed all the improvements that have taken place. Thanks to our Brotherhood, our playground has been transformed. They spent the day clearing out the weeds, staining everything and preparing the ground for new mulch, and the results are fabulous. We even have new picnic tables to enjoy! Next time you are at CBI, take a look at how beautiful our playground looks. Many thanks to everyone who donated their time and money to make our playground a place where the children will want to play!

If you would like to assist in mowing, weeding, or grounds maintenance, please be sure to call Angie Ellis at 678-817-7162 and let her know.



They may forget what you said, but they will never forget how you make them feel.

~ Carol Buchner ~

REFUAH SHLEIMAH

A speedy healing to all who need prayers and thoughts:

Emma Bradford
Gail Burger
Jeff Deutsch
Leroy Foster
Joe Gilliland
Shirley Gorrel
Burton Kunkel
June Kunkel
Tara Hughes
Allison Levine
Ray Levine

Nat Maryn
Elaine McGee
Tova Milcha
Carol Montesinos
Gerri Muller
Cheryl Rich
Gail Schwartz
Michael Schwartz
Lois Speaker
Marcia Swanson
Adam Weston



POWER UP!

SIGN UP ►

It's in your power to help.



Dear Congregant,

During these challenging economic times, we are all looking for ways to support our favorite causes while still being conscious of family budgets.

Congregation B'nai Israel has recently partnered with Stream Energy to assist our supporters in helping us by simply doing something they already do: pay their energy bill.

Stream Energy's unique Power Up! Program helps raise funds by paying us monthly commissions when our supporters enroll for their electricity or natural gas service through Congregation B'nai Israel. Supporters can be anyone who lives in an area where Stream Energy is providing services. Currently they are located in Texas, Georgia, New York, New Jersey, Maryland and Washington, DC.

The Power Up! Program is an excellent fundraising campaign for us because everybody uses energy already, and the commissions we receive are paid monthly for the duration of your relationship with Stream Energy. There's no extra out-of-pocket cost for you, and we benefit on an ongoing basis every month.

Please go to <http://bnaiisrael.streampowerup.biz> to learn more about Stream Energy, and see how you can help us raise funds while possibly lowering your energy bill. It's a win-win for all!

Sincerely,

Sharon Hudgins
President, Board of Trustees
Congregation B'nai Israel

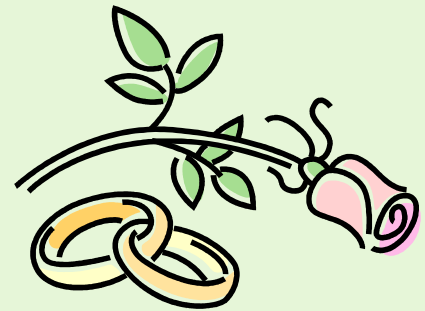
Martin Luther King Day Shabbat

Our sanctuary was filled with community guests and members that gathered January 17 to remember Martin Luther King and the struggle for Civil Rights. We all sat in awe as we listened to Lecia Brooks, from the Southern Poverty Law Center share little known facts about MLK, the Civil Rights Movement and the good works of the Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery, AL. The evening continued with our Oneg as we shared experiences and stories with our guests. This was a very educational and moving Shabbat. It was truly an evening to remember. Thank you to Nadine Winter for finding our guest speaker and organizing this annual community event.



HONORING YOUR ANNIVERSARY

Whenever we mark another year together with the one we love, we often look back to see the interesting path we have taken to get there. Love can carry us through anything, but there are often moments of difficulty as well as joy. The simple truth is: Marriage is hard work!



We would be pleased to honor your anniversary during Shabbat services. There are many ways to make a remembrance special, from blessing you in front of the Ark to giving you a special honor during the service to having a special reading.

If you would like us to celebrate your anniversary from the bima, be certain to let us know. Please call Angie or Susan at the Office (678-817-7162) to help us plan something special for you.

Dear CBI Family,

I wanted to thank everyone for their efforts.



Clipping labels and shopping at the BTFE Marketplace generated \$204.05 for our Religious School!

Many Thanks, Stacey Feldman

SOUTHIDE SENIOR SOCIAL

*Wednesday, February 12, 2014
at CBI*

*Bring a dairy dish to share
&
Your wedding picture
or
a favorite picture of yourself back in the
day!*

*RSVP to Nancy Levenson
770-855-1072*

CALENDAR OF JEWISH HOLIDAYS

NOTE: Each holiday begins and ends at sundown on the days listed

JEWISH YEAR	5774
SECULAR YEAR	AUGUST 2013 - SEPTEMBER 2014
SELICHOT SERVICE 5773	AUGUST 31, 2013 <i>Saturday</i>
ROSH HASHANA	SEPTEMBER 4-6, 2013 <i>Wednesday - Friday</i>
YOM KIPPUR	SEPTEMBER 13-14, 2013 <i>Friday - Saturday</i>
SUKKOT	SEPTEMBER 18-25, 2013 <i>Wednesday - Wednesday</i>
ATZERET - SIMCHAT TORAH	SEPTEMBER 25-26, 2013 <i>Wednesday - Thursday</i>
HANUKKAH	NOVEMBER 27 - December 5, 2013 <i>Wednesday - Thursday</i>
TU B'SHEVAT	January 15-16, 2014 <i>Wednesday - Thursday</i>
PURIM	MARCH 15-16, 2014 <i>Saturday - Sunday</i>
PESACH	APRIL 14-21, 2014 <i>Monday - Monday</i>
YOM HASHOAH	APRIL 26-27, 2014 <i>Sunday - Monday</i>
YOM HAZIKARON & YOM HAATZ'MA'UT	MAY 4-6, 2014 <i>Sunday - Tuesday</i>
LAG B'OMER	MAY 17-18, 2014 <i>Saturday - Sunday</i>
SHAVUOT	JUNE 3-4, 2014 <i>Tuesday - Wednesday</i>
TISAH B'AV	AUGUST 4-5, 2014 <i>Monday - Tuesday</i>
SELICHOT 5774	SEPTEMBER 20, 2014 <i>Saturday</i>



YÄHRZEITS

February 7, 2014

Sally Aptaker
Denton Burden (Gene Burden's father)
Irene Field (Norm Field's mother)
Howard Gorrel (Holly Faraldi's father)
Molly Levy (Cecile Pulin's mother)
Helen Silverman (Michael Silverman's mother)
Melissa Ann Spielberg (Fern Goldstein's niece)
Sam Winter (Mark Winter's father)

February 14, 2014

Ruth Davis (Gail Burger's mother)
Deborah Ross (Art Ross' mother)

February 21, 2014

Araceli Lobato (Claudia Charyton's mother)

February 28, 2014

Mary H. Allen (Marge Gersten's sister)
Joseph Levenson (Nancy Levenson's father-in-law)
Joseph McGee (Elaine McGee's husband)
Ben E. Singer (Nancy Levenson's father)



“What we have once enjoyed,
we can never lose.
All that we love deeply becomes part of us.”

— Helen Keller —



Congregation B'nai Israel Tree of Life

In honor of Congregation B'nai Israel's 25th Anniversary, we created a TREE OF LIFE that adorns our walls. You may purchase an engraved leaf in honor of someone, an accomplishment, or an event. Leaves may be ordered at anytime.

Leaves are available in copper, silver, or gold and can be engraved with up to 4 lines and 24 characters per line.

Pricing per leaf: Copper/\$100.00 - Silver/\$150.00 - Gold/\$200.00

For more information or to place an order, please contact Angie Ellis at 678-817-7162

Yahrzeit Plaque

One of the most meaningful ways to remember a loved one is by creating a Yahrzeit plaque. Congregation B'nai Israel is now following this tradition.

Please consider ordering a nameplate for the Memorial Wall that is displayed in the sanctuary. The cost of each nameplate is \$300.00 and will be illuminated on the anniversary of your loved one's death.

Check with Angie Ellis in the office for information on ordering.



DON'T MISS OUT!!! GET OUR WEEKLY E-BLASTS

Look for weekly CBI updates about activities and upcoming events via email. If you have provided the Congregation with an email address, you will receive this weekly E-Blast.

What about changes to your email????

Please send us a note when you have changes to the email that you want CBI to use in contacting you. You should contact Angie Ellis (cbiadmin@bnai-israel.net) to let us know. We'll make sure to change it so that you don't miss a thing!

SECURITY NOTICE

Please remember, effective immediately:
Our doors will be locked when our worship services begin.

Don't panic!

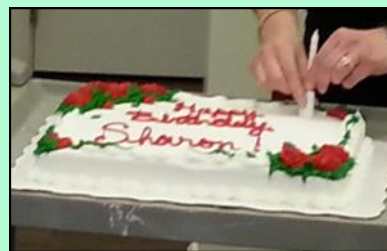
Please knock, and our Shabbat Representative will happily let you in.

SOUTHSIDE SENIORS JANUARY SOCIAL

About fifteen seniors gathered at Somerby in January to tour the new assisted living facility, enjoy lunch, and socialize. Everyone was delighted to see Lois, Joe and Shirley who reside there. The discussions were as always lively, and funds were collected to purchase trees for the Tu B'Shevat celebration, which was held Sunday, January 26th after Religious School. The seniors wanted to honor Susan Levine's memory with their donation of a tree.



The group also surprised Sharon with a birthday cake. We all left a bit tired but totally enjoyed the day!



The Seniors will meet this month at Congregation B'nai Israel for a dairy covered dish lunch on February 12 at 12:30. We are looking forward to sharing our wedding or pictures of ourselves "back in the day" and telling our love stories. All are welcome to join us.

NEXT SOUTHSIDE SENIOR SOCIAL:

Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at 12:30pm at CBI

Join us for friendship and food!

**YOU'RE MISSING OUT IF YOU DON'T FIND YOUR WAY TO THE NEXT GATHERING!
WE DARE ANY OTHER CBI GROUP TO MATCH US IN WIT, EXPERIENCE, AND LAUGHTER!**

FAMILY FUN DAY

**Open to ALL members of
Congregation B'nai Israel &
Temple Israel, Columbus, GA**



When: March 22nd

**Where: Historic Banning Mills – 205 Horseshoe Dam Road,
Banning, GA 30185**

Time: 1:00pm

**Cost: \$49 per person. Deposit of \$15 must be received no later
than February 15th in order to hold your reservation.**

RSVP: no later than February 15th.

**Requirements: Must be 8 years old. Minimum weight is 50 lbs;
Max weight is 250 lbs for women and 285lbs for men.**

**We will be doing the Level 1 Forest Canopy Tour. For more
details click on link <http://www.historicbanningmills.com/>**

**IF we do not have at least 20 people participate we will have to
cancel this event. Please contact Stacey Feldman
(Feldman1994@hotmail.com) if you have any questions.**

CBI FUNDRAISING DANCE

Our Swing to the 60's Dance, held on January 25th at the Tyrone Depot was a great evening. Local merchants donated a delicious dinner and fabulous desserts. The band entertained us with great oldies to listen to, and the dance floor was constantly full. Many of our guests were from the local community, so they had a chance to learn about CBI. Our own members also had a great evening out.



Planning, organizing, and executing the dance was a group effort. The following people deserve a big thank you for all of their hard work in various roles.

Planning: Nadine Winter, Kirsten Mednick, Dedee Hamson, Karen Kalins, Stacey Feldman, Angie Ellis, and Sharon Hudgins

Ticket Sales & Publicity: Nadine, Stacey, Sharon, and Angie

Food Procurement: Stacey, Karen, Sharon and Dennis Hudgins, Nadine, and Mark Winter

Food Prep/Service: Margot and Jeff Deutsch, Angie, Stacey & her children - Sydney & Matthew

Barkeeps: Karen and Jeffrey Kalins

Donation of Paper Goods: Sandy and John Demuth

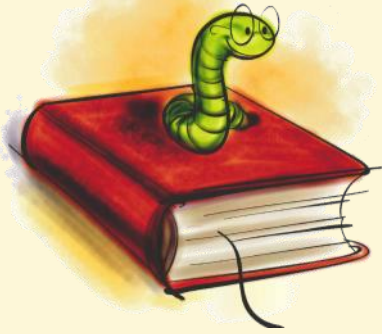
Set Up/Clean Up: All of the above plus Debbie & Mike Edison and Dan Hamson

Credit Card Facility & Financial Control: Joe Radest and Mark Winter

Once again I want to thank all those that attended the dance and volunteered time and money to make this dance a success. It's true! It does and will take a village to secure the future of Congregation B'nai Israel for all of us!

Sharon

Join Us For CBI Book Club



Hosted by Gary Hirsch

Wednesday, February 26th
7:30 pm at CBI

Our Reading Selection is:

Twelve Years A Slave by Solomon Northup

Solomon Northup was born a free man in New York State. At the age of 33 he was kidnapped in Washington D.C. and placed in an underground slave pen. Northup was transported by ship to New Orleans where he was sold into slavery. He spent the next 12 years working as a carpenter, driver, and cotton picker. This narrative reveals how Northup survived the harsh conditions of slavery, including smallpox, lashings, and an attempted hanging. Solomon Northup was among a select few who were freed from slavery. His account describes the daily life of slaves in Louisiana, their diet and living conditions, the relationship between master and slave, and how slave catchers used to recapture runaways. Northup's first person account, published in 1853, was a dramatic story in the national debate over slavery that took place in the nine years leading up to the start of the American Civil War.

Here's what you need to do:

- 1) Get a copy of the book (buy or borrow)
- 2) Read the book
- 3) Come to Book Club on February 26th and be prepared to participate in a lively discussion and dissection of the book

WE ARE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR SILENT AUCTION FINDS!



It's that time again. We are already planning our Purim Carnival. We need everyone's help to gather together some great gift items and services that can be used in our Silent Auction Fundraiser.

Start asking the businesses you patronize for gift certificates, merchandise, or services. Remember, this is a fundraiser for CBI, so be sure the goods you are collecting are new and desirable.

**More information will be coming out soon.
Please contact Kirsten Mednick if you need help.**

ONEG SCHEDULE for 2013-2014

Thank you to everyone who signed up for an Oneg this year. Check the chart below for the Oneg dates for February through July. If you have any questions, please contact Holly Faraldi, our Social Chairperson at 770-631-1214 or at hfaraldi@bnai-israel.net

FEBRUARY 2014	MARCH 2014
7 - Confirmation Shabbat	7 - Burden & McGee
14 - Feinstein & Norman	14 - Tyler & Clement
21 - Okun & Ross	21 - Charyton & Bradford
28 - Family Shabbat	28 - Family Shabbat
APRIL 2014	MAY 2014
4 - Posey & Krasow	2 - Tarleton & Ellis
11 - Flug & (Can you help?)	9 - Bookman & Weston
18 - Family Shabbat (Pesach)	16 - Family Shabbat
25 - HHS/YG Shabbat	23 - (Can you help?)
	30 - Foster (B'nai Mitzvah Weekend)
JUNE 2014	JULY 2013
6 - Confirmation Service	4 - Montesinos & Kaplan
13 - Family Shabbat	11 - Family Shabbat
20 - Kersey	18 - Robbins & Caplan
27 - M. Schwartz & Levine	25 - DARK (URJ Shabbat)

The Shayna Maideleh Club

(Sisterhood)

February 27th at 7pm

Mellow Mushroom

275 Georgia 74 - Peachtree City



All CBI women welcome

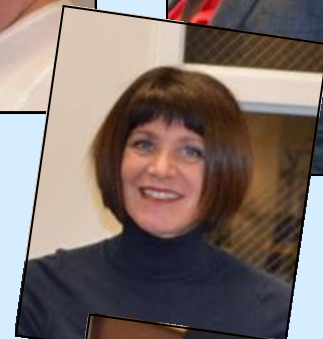
Call or text Karen Radest to RSVP

630-453-0066

CBI NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Congregation B'nai Israel rang in 2014 with its first New Years Eve Party. The evening was filled with yummy Chinese food, interesting music, good friends, delicious desserts, and games of chance, not to mention free babysitting. Debra Johnson, Joe Radest, and Jeff Kalins were our enthusiastic and skilled card dealers. Peg Kersey was the Mexican train domino queen and the Mahjong ladies were snapping their tiles. Our big winners of the evening were Gary Hirsch and Andrea Feinstein. As the clock stuck midnight, we all joined in a chorus of Auld Lang Syne. It was a fantastic evening complete with fun for the children and the adults.

Make Congregation B'nai Israel YOUR place to spend New Year's Eve next year.



DONATIONS

In Memory of Irving Borim, my father

Elaine McGee

In Memory of Judy Garrett

Elaine McGee

In Memory of Mildred Jaye

Honey Aiken

In Memory of Barbara Levine

Ron & Kimberly Steinberg

In Memory of Deborah Ross

Art & Jamie Ross

In Memory of Abe Steinberg

Ron & Kimberly Steinberg

In Memory of my mother, Emma Stephens

Marge Gersten

In Memory of my brother, R.J. Stephens

Marge Gersten

In Honor of Eleanor Posey's Birthday

Jeff & Karen Kalins

Playground Donation

Ralph Ellis

Religious School Teacher Support

Glenn & Peg Kersey

Dance Donation

Gene & Susan Burden

Honorarium for Susan Burden

First United Methodist Church of Newnan

Congratulations Brad & Mindy Smith on the birth of your Grandson. Long life and good health!

Sylvia Stroger

Donating supplies is one easy way for each of us to help CBI cut down on expenses. When you visit Costco, Sam's, or Wal-Mart, pick up something for CBI from our WISH LIST. Drop the item off on the table in the office. If each of us donated one item per a month, it would make a HUGE difference in CBI operating expenses!

CBI Wish List

- toilet tissue
- liquid hand soap
- coffee (reg & decaf)
- plastic tablecloths
- paper plates (NO Styrofoam)
- plastic tableware
- paper towels (rolls)
- C-fold paper towels
- Splenda or Equal
- 33-gallon trash bags
- disposable cups for hot & cold (NO Styrofoam)
- napkins



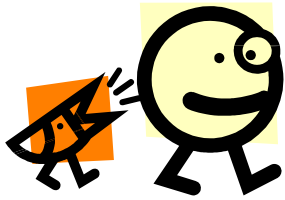
Tzedakah—Doing the Right Thing

In our Jewish world, justice and righteousness are very important concepts. We are obligated or commanded to embrace them. The word "tzedakah" means justice. In other words, we are always obligated to do the right thing. To perform an act of "justice" is to be a righteous person. When we have extra money or time or materials, it is the right thing to share with those in need. Even when we are needy ourselves and cannot contribute financial gifts, we should perform acts of tzedakah, such as giving our time and energy to help others.

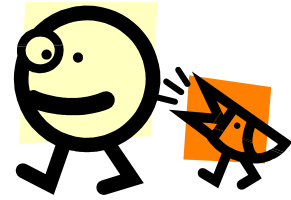
Jewish High Holiday services remind us that tzedakah (justice), t'shuvah (repentance), and tefillah (prayer) are the three actions we should take to help make up for our short-comings. Hopefully, each of us will begin walking that path today!



Happenings Around the Synagogue



Schul Shmooz'n



- Get ready for a change in the décor at CBI. Decorating ideas and paint samples are overflowing as we decide a perfect color scheme for the lobby and social hall.
- Have some great ideas for CBI? Contact Sharon Hudgins at 404-918-8397.

CBI KIDS CLUB



Decorating tee-shirts after a fun-filled day at Religious School!

CBI POLICIES AND HELPFUL INFORMATION

POLICY CONCERNING COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS AT CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL

There will be no commercial transactions at CBI on Shabbat. This includes but is not limited to: the sale or delivery of Girl Scout, Boy Scout, school or community fundraising items; sale or delivery of personal items; the purchase of gift shop items.

Payments for such items as synagogue dues, donations, or other congregational activities should be placed in the payment box outside the office and will be counted when the office reopens on Monday.



PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR VEHICLE PARKED IN THE CBI PARKING LOT WITHOUT LETTING ANGIE ELLIS KNOW.

OUR LOT IS REGULARLY MONITORED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT. AN UNFAMILIAR VEHICLE COULD WIND UP BEING TOWED AT YOUR EXPENSE. PLEASE CONTACT THE CBI OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

Information for THE BULLETIN:

The deadline for all submissions for this publication is the 15th of each month.

Send to:

Angie Ellis

bulletin@bnai-israel.net

If you have questions or information about this publication, please contact us at

678-817-7162 or by email or mail.

IMPORTANT CBI CONTACT INFORMATION

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Email us:

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(Angie Ellis, Administrator)
- sburden@bnai-israel.net
(Susan Burden, Cantorial Soloist)

Write us:

Congregation B'nai Israel
P.O. Box 142481
Fayetteville, GA 30214

Send all donations and other communications to Angie Ellis or Susan Burden at the above address or by calling or emailing.

CELEBRATING SHABBAT AT CBI:

- Everyone is welcome at all Shabbat services
- Most Shabbat services begin at 8:00pm
- Services generally last about 60-70 minutes
- Each service is followed by an Oneg Shabbat—light refreshments and beverages—in the Social Hall
- Once per month we hold a Family Shabbat , with a potluck dinner at 6:30pm and a shorter family-oriented service at 7:30pm
- We ask that you not wear jeans or shorts to regular services, but you may wear jeans or shorts for all Family Shabbat services
- Don't forget to turn off your cell phones before the service begins

CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL CALENDAR
FEBRUARY 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1/1 Adar I Rosh Chodesh Adar I	
2/2 Adar I Confirmation 9:00 AM Hebrew High School 9:00 AM Religious School 10:00 AM	3/3 Adar I	4/4 Adar I	5/5 Adar I Hebrew 6:30 PM	6/6 Adar I Women's Education Series 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	7/7 Adar I Confirmation Class Shabbat Oneg - Confirmation Class 8:00 PM	8/8 Adar I IMAX Theater and Dinner Meet at CBI at 3:30PM for 5:00PM movie
9/9 Adar I Confirmation 9:00 AM Hebrew High School 9:00 AM Religious School 10:00 AM	10/10 Adar I Adult Hebrew 101.5 2:00PM Adult Hebrew 101.5 6:00PM Board Meeting 7:00 PM Adult Ed: Comp. Rel. 7:15PM	11/11 Adar I	12/12 Adar I Southside Seniors Luncheon 12:30PM Hebrew 6:30 PM	13/13 Adar I Fayette County Proclamation Ceremony 6:45PM Torah Study 7:00 PM	14/14 Adar I Purim Katan Shabbat Service led by Susan Burden (Oneg - Feinstein & Norman) 8:00 PM	15/15 Adar I
16/16 Adar I No Religious School	17/17 Adar I	18/18 Adar I	19/19 Adar I No Hebrew	20/20 Adar I Adult Hebrew 101 6:00PM	21/21 Adar I Shabbat Service led by Susan Burden (Oneg - Okun & Ross) 8:00 PM	22/22 Adar I RS Purim Play Practice 1:00 PM Youth Group - Zaban Shelter 6:00 PM
23/23 Adar I Confirmation 9:00 AM Hebrew High School 9:00 AM Religious School 10:00 AM Torah Tots 11:30 AM	24/24 Adar I Adult Hebrew 101.5 2:00PM Adult Hebrew 101.5 6:00PM Adult Ed: Comp. Rel. 7:15PM	25/25 Adar I	26/26 Adar I Hebrew 6:30 PM CBI Book Club 7:30PM	27/27 Adar I Adult Hebrew 101 6:00PM Shayna Maideleh @ Mellow Mushroom - PTC 7:00PM	28/28 Adar I Family Shabbat led by Rabbi Feldstein 6:30 PM - Dinner 7:30 Service	