



FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY: Bringing More Light Into the World

“Our sages taught: The mitzvah of Hanukkah is one candle for each night on behalf of the household, and those who wish to enhance the mitzvah: a candle for each person in the household. For those who really want to enhance the mitzvah: Beit Shammai says: On the first day one lights eight and from then on one continues to decrease, and Beit Hillel says: On the first day one lights one and from then on one continues to increase. To explain this, one rabbi said the reason for Beit Shammai was according to the number of days left and the reason for Beit Hillel was according to the number of days that have passed. And one said: The reason for Beit Shammai was according to the number of bulls offered up on Sukkot, and the reason for Beit Hillel was that we increase in holiness and we don't decrease.” (Babylonian Talmud Shabbat 21b)

This discussion does not resolve how you put the candles in a *hanukiah* or in which order you should light them, that is somewhere else in the Talmud, but this is where the phrase “*ma'alim bekedu-sha*” (ascending in holiness) begins. It is a theme that is found throughout the Talmud and has continued through Jewish history and practice until today. In the case of Hanukkah, Beit Shammai's method for lighting candles seems to make sense when re-enacting the Hanukkah story: as a part of the miracle, the oil used did diminish day after day until there was none left. Many commentators, ancient and modern, saw this as a rather pessimistic metaphor for the holiday and for Jewish life. And that, according to those same commentators and rabbis, is why ultimately Beit Hillel's view won out. We want to fill the world with more light, more hope, not diminish what little light there is.

In a world that seems to feel darker and darker every day--not just because we are approaching the solstice--we do still have many opportunities to see an increase in light and hope. We had over 1000 people at the synagogue for our interfaith vigil after the attack at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh. Hundreds of people circled our synagogue outside in solidarity even though they could not hear anything from all of the

speakers inside. The following Shabbat we celebrated kindergarteners as they officially began their religious school journey at our annual consecration and dinner. We had a bat mitzvah celebration and welcomed a Jewish children's author as a scholar-in-residence. Learning together, building relationships, laughing and singing are ways that we as

a community can bring light to each other's lives at Tifereth. Of course, though, another part of Hanukkah is to publicize the miracle of light, to bring it outside of our home or our synagogue.

There is a tradition that there is a piece of divine light inside each of us, unique to each of us. It is our individual job to bring that light into the world to help heal some of the brokenness that we see, in ways that each of us can only do on our own. If we are not able to use our light for good, then it is not only our loss it is especially the world's loss. I leave you with a question: if we as a people follow the wisdom of Beit Hillel and aspire to increase in holiness, how might we also increase our light in the world, individually and as a people, not just for Hanukkah, but every day?



The Annual Chanukah Dilemma

Rabbi Barton

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Unless otherwise noted, Erev Shabbat services regularly begin at **6:00pm on Friday evenings**, and Shabbat morning services regularly begin at **9:30am on Saturday mornings** followed by Shabbat Café at **11:45am**. Rabbi Barton leads a Hebrew Bible Discussion at **12:30pm**.

For more information on a particular style of service or a full outline of worship opportunities, please see Tifereth Israel website (www.tifereth.org) or call the synagogue.

DECEMBER SHABBAT SERVICES

30 November-1 December | 23 Kislev

Shabbat Parashat Vayeshev

Candle Lighting: 4:25pm

Friday Evening: Traditional Shabbat

Saturday Morning: Traditional Shabbat +
Hanukkah Shabbat Café by
Women's League

7-8 December | 30 Kislev

Shabbat Parashat Miketz

Candle Lighting: 4:24pm

Friday Evening: Traditional Shabbat

Saturday Morning: Contemplative Service+
Traditional Shabbat (**10:15am**)

14-15 December | 7 Tevet

Shabbat Parashat Vayigash

Candle Lighting: 4:25pm

Friday Evening: Acoustic Shabbat

Saturday Morning: Traditional Shabbat +
Havdalah & Game Night 6:30pm

21-22 December | 14 Tevet

Shabbat Parashat Vayechi

Candle Lighting: 4:27pm

Friday Evening: Traditional Shabbat

Saturday Morning: Traditional Shabbat

28-29 December | 21 Tevet

Shabbat Parashat Shemot

Candle Lighting: 4:32pm

Friday Evening: Traditional Shabbat

Saturday Morning: Traditional Shabbat

JANUARY SHABBAT SERVICES

4-5 January | 28 Tevet

Shabbat Parashat Va'era

Candle Lighting: 4:40pm

Friday Evening: Traditional Shabbat

Saturday Morning: Traditional Shabbat +
Havdalah & Game Night 6:30pm

11-12 January | 6 Shevet

Shabbat Parashat Bo

Candle Lighting: 4:47pm

Friday Evening: Traditional Shabbat

Saturday Morning: Contemplative Service +
Traditional Shabbat (**10:15am**)

18-19 January | 13 Shevet

Shabbat Parashat Beshalach

Candle Lighting: 4:55pm

Friday Evening: Traditional Shabbat

Saturday Morning: Traditional Shabbat

25-26 January | 20 Shevet

Shabbat Parashat Yitro

Candle Lighting: 5:03pm

Friday Evening: Traditional Shabbat

Saturday Morning: Traditional Shabbat

WINTER REMINDER

Winter Weather Reminder

Please remember that if the Des Moines schools cancel classes due to weather conditions, Tifereth offices will be closed and all activities will also be cancelled. You can also find cancellations posted on KCCI-TV.

Attention Snow Birds

If you will be leaving town for the winter, please check in with the office to let us know the dates you will be gone and to double check that we have your correct address on file. Thank you!

COMMUNITY NEWS

GREETERS/ USHERS NEEDED FOR SERVICES



We Want You to be a Usher/Greeter for Shabbat Services!
Tifereth is in need of Greeters/Ushers for Shabbat services. Anyone can volunteer! Sign up for either Fridays, Saturdays or both! Volunteer on your own, in pairs, or even parents and children together! Please contact the office and let us know when you are available! **Thank you** Barb.berven@tifereth.org

TUESDAY MORNINGS MINYAN



Tuesday morning minyan is back to our regular schedule after a busy holiday season! Every Tuesday 7:15am please join us for a brief service and opportunity for those observing a Yahrzeit to say Kaddish for their loved one. It's important that we continue to provide this for our community. Everyone is welcome and no commitment required. It's nice to know you really count! Hope to see you!

Join us **Tuesday 7:15am.**

***NOTE– December 25th & January 1st, 9:00am Minyan**

Questions, please contact -
Rose Sloven. Rosiefutur@aol.com

NEW HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES FOR SERVICES

Tifereth Israel Synagogue is excited to announce that hearing assistance devices are now available for anyone to use during services. They use plug-in earphones, feel free to bring your own headphones, earphones or earbuds to use with the audio system or we will have them available for use during services. If you have any questions please contact Barb Berven at barb.berven@tifereth.org or 515-255-1138.

**ASSISTIVE
LISTENING
SYSTEMS
AVAILABLE**



MISHEBERACH LIST UPDATES

The Tifereth office is updating the Misheberach List to make sure it is current and correct.

Please contact the office with your updates or additions to the list. office@tifereth.org **Thank you!**



BE A MENSCH

MENSCH (n.)

An upstanding, worthy, honorable person of either sex.

Please consider volunteering to share your ride to services! Our community has seniors and students that do not always have a ride to the synagogue.

Be a mensch! Contact office@tifereth.org or 515-255-1137

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the congregants who volunteered their time and energy to assist with our Shabbat services in **November-**

Greeters/ Ushers: **Jill Cantor, Marni Duitch, Jody Jacklin, The Kirschner Family, Nashi Khlastchi, Jacob Lederman, Will Rogers, Women's League**

Service Leaders: **Rabbi Barton, Suzanne Chester, Patrick Courtney, Deirdre Farr, Sue Harris, Sophie Homonoff, Emma Kirschner, Pnina Luban**

Gabbais: **Rabbi Barton, Scott Birkett, Patrick Courtney, Sue Harris, Peter Karney, Mike Kuperman, Pnina Luban, Elianah Siepmann**

Hagbah: **Aaron Beckerman, Jacob Wax**

Torah Readers: **Rabbi Barton, Benjamin Brodkey, Patrick Courtney, Deirdre Farr, David Friedgood, Sure Harris, Ellen Kirschner, Emma Kirschner, Matt Kirschner, Paige Kirschner, Miriam Mintzer**

Haftarah Readers: **Sue Harris, Emma Kirschner, Allison Wolf**

Oneg and Shabbat Café Sponsors: **The Kirschner Family, Women's League**

CELEBRATE WITH SHABBAT CAFE



For over ten years, Shabbat Café has been bringing together our community after Saturday morning services. It's a chance for congregants to sit and converse over a light lunch and often, celebrate a special occasion, such as a **birthday** or **anniversary**, **special family event** or **life cycle event**. Consider sponsoring a Shabbat Cafe to share your simcha with our Tifereth Israel community! What a wonderful way to celebrate any time!

There are plenty of options for sponsoring a Shabbat Café, including joining with others also celebrating that month. All members will be notified prior to their birthday and encouraged to join with others. Interested sponsors can then choose the date, then pick the options for menu, setup, and cost for their month's celebratory Shabbat Café. For more options available or to suggest an option please contact **Barb Berven** at barb.berven@tiferth.org

END OF YEAR DUES, CAMPAIGN & DONATIONS

If you are planning to make dues or Today and Tomorrow payments in December to be credited to your account for 2017 tax purposes, all checks must be dated no later than **December 31, 2018**, and received in the office by **January 10, 2019**.

If you are planning to do a stock transfer, please contact Barb, as we have changed accounts and we want to guarantee your payment is received and appropriately applied to your account. Also, it is very helpful to let us know when you are transferring stock. Occasionally, we receive stock transfers with no name attached. If you have already made a stock transaction, please call Barb to make sure that it has been credited to your account.

RECENT PASSINGS

It is with great sorrow that we recall the recent passing of:

Rosita Rabinovitz 11/18/18

Beloved mother of Dina Leener, Myra Shindler, Judy Rabinovitz

Jason Lewis Blank 11/16/18

Beloved father of Rabbi Steven (Deborah) Edelman-Blank

Adelaide Sostrin Krum 11/10/18

Beloved Mother of Deborah (Michael) Becker

May their memory always be for a blessing.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO BE SHOMRIM

Volunteers are needed to be shomrim.

Missy Wolnerman is compiling a list of shomrim volunteers to be called when needed.

Shomrim (Hebrew for guards) must be Jewish and you will be sitting with the deceased at Dunn's funeral home during the day or overnight before the funeral. You can do it by yourself or in a pair.

To sign up for a time or for more information, please contact **Missy Wolnerman** at missywolnerman@gmail.com or text or call her at 515.778.6619. Thank you!

MAZEL TOV



Mazel tov to **Don and Maddie Schoen** on the birth of their granddaughter **Elle Maurer Schoen**, born to proud parents **Aaron and Leigh Schoen** **October 27th, 2018.**

TIFERETh IS ON FACEBOOK



[Facebook.com/TiferethDesMoines](https://www.facebook.com/TiferethDesMoines)

[Facebook.com/IowaTribe](https://www.facebook.com/IowaTribe)

[Facebook.com/TIWomensLeague](https://www.facebook.com/TIWomensLeague)

[Facebook Group- The Tifereth Israel Yad Squad](#)

COMMUNITY EVENTS–VIGIL

PITTSBURGH TREE OF LIFE VIGIL AT TIFEREETH



This photo from Legacy.com



A Facebook post from **Tom Gilsenan** on the vigil held at Tifereth Israel Synagogue, *We prayed. We sang. We applauded. We said 'Amen' a lot. We heard stories of Abraham and Sarah, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Rachel, Rabbi Nachman of Breslov, and Mr. Rogers. A very, very moving evening in memory of the eleven people who were killed at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh. Hundreds of people came to Tifereth. The sanctuary was full, the library and other rooms were full, too. And dozens more were outside. It was a sign of hope in a time of tragedy.*

A Facebook post from the Jewish Federation of Greater Des Moines, *The Jewish Federation and our Rabbis wish to thank everyone who attended or spoke at the Tree of Life Synagogue memorial. We are very thankful for the community's show of love and solidarity, in opposition of hate.*

COMMUNITY NEWS-VIGIL

In The Name of God Most Gracious Most Merciful



Muslim Community Organization
Masjid An-Noor

1117 42nd Street | Des Moines | IA 50311

Email: mco.noor@gmail.com | 515. 274.4626 | www.dmmco.org

October 27, 2018

Rabbi and the Congregation

RE: Horrific Pittsburgh Synagogue Shooting
Letter of Denunciation and Condolences

We at the Muslim Community Organization of Des Moines are writing to express our deep concern over the horrific tragedy that took place at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh. We would like to extend our cordial condolences to the families of the victims and all those who have been impacted by this evil act.

This is not only an attack on our Jews friends and neighbors, it's an attack on humanity. Regrettably, when bigoted ideology and hate speech left unchecked to aggravate for decades communities like ours suffer as results.

This week's tragedy against members of the Tree of Life synagogue accompanies a list of violent acts committed in the name of patriotism and white supremacy in recent memory, such as the Charleston and Chapel Hill shootings and the burning of Victoria Islamic Center in Texas last year.

There has been an alarming rise in white nationalist rhetoric in our civil discourse and has been perpetuated by social and mainstream media. This phenomenon has resulted in the dehumanization of minorities—namely, immigrants, Muslims, and Jews.

In these difficult times, we pray for the wellbeing of all concerned and vulnerable communities and we also urge all communities to remain vigilant and take all appropriate measures to prevent such terrorist acts from happening.

While we are troubled by this—let's not allow bigotry and hatred prevent our constant struggle against discrimination and injustice.

Sincerely,

Mohammed Khan

Imam, Jaaphar Abdul Hamed

Side— Letter to Tifereth from the local Muslim Community Organization after vigil.

Below— Notes sent to Tifereth from Mr. Love's 5th grade class from Hubbell Elementary School after vigil.

I hope you break through this dark time, where so many people full of hatred for people that are different than them selves. I pray for your safety.

I'm so sorry for what happend I wish I could bring those lives back to you I wish this never happend to you guys

I wish I could end Anti-Semitism I will try with everyone to help you

From: Lily grace

Dear Jewish community,
Just know that we are thinking of you. We will do everything in our power to stop Anti-Semitism. We are sorry for your loss. Sincerely, Hubbell 5th

I'm very sorry for what happened to the synagogue. I'm doing my best to end Anti-semitism.

I hope you feel safe. this will be the generation that will stop antisemitism from 5th grade hubbell 5th

How I'm praying for your community. We are learning about the Holocaust it's an awful thing, but I'm glad Jewish people are alive. I had a Jewish friend before her name was Alana. She was awesome until I had to move, but I'll be the next generation to stop the Holocaust from happening again. I'll keep you safe
Signed-Ranasha

Dear friends,
I hope you are feeling safe. In class we have been learning about your culture and I hope we can end anti-semitism. Sorry for your lost in your community.
Sincerely,
Penn Van Heukelom

Dear friends,
Even though I know this must be rough with the anti-semitism synagogue mass shooting but we wanted to let you know that we are sorry for the losses in your community but that you are in our prayers. Sincerely, Daria

Sorry for what has happened. I will help to stop this from happening.
From: London

Dear friends,
We are thinking of your community at this difficult time. We will be the generation that ends Anti-Semitism.
-5th Grade

ISRAEL NEWS



**EARLY BIRD
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TODAY!**

**AIPAC POLICY 2019
CONFERENCE**
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**Nearly 100 new lawmakers.
More reasons to come to Washington.**



We need you this March.

Every election brings new faces to Washington. And this year, with nearly 100 new members soon to be sworn in, we need your voice in our nation's capital to engage them in our critical work.

Register for the 2019 AIPAC Policy Conference today and make a difference for the U.S.-Israel relationship.

By registering today,
you can take advantage of the \$100 early bird discount,
ending December 7.

Landscape Sustainability Initiative

Dear Fellow Congregants,

Thank you for welcoming me into the Tifereth family! Everyone from Will Rogers to Rabbi Barton has helped me to make my entrance into the synagogue smooth and joyous. I am a grandchild of Holocaust survivors and encourage everyone to go on to the Des Moines register's online site and watch my Storyteller story describing my family's history. I am a proud first-generation American Jew and an open book—so feel free to approach me and say hello.

My husband and I are believers in the giving spirit of justice and action within the Jewish and Christian faiths. As part of my giving and action, I will use my knowledge and training as a landscape architect to help the synagogue. I am a licensed attorney, but in my first chapter, I was a landscape architect and botanist that specialized in sustainable design.

What does that mean for the synagogue? First, along with Will Rogers and tree-trimming professionals, we already started improving the grounds and I gave a tree tour on the Drake Campus as a fundraiser for the synagogue. Second, my hope is to work on a five-year landscape sustainability initiative for the synagogue. I want to work closely with all of you to transition and create the most sustainable and ecologically progressive landscape in the state of Iowa. This means we will increase the value of the property, decrease the high maintenance costs, and maximize the natural beauty and prowess of the land itself. In short, I want our grounds to be an attraction to not only birds and orchids (yes orchids—Iowa has more native species of orchids than Hawai'i!) but also students, scientists, and the community-at-large.

Why five years? It will take time to plan, deconstruct, install, invest, and rehabilitate the land itself. In my experience, the most cost-effective sustainability plans take five years for a site of this size. The Temple in Jerusalem took three generations of craftsmen to build it. Luckily, our project will be much less complex, but almost as sacred. We are commanded to care for our earth, to plant trees, to bring justice to the world. Providing spaces for our children to breath fresh air and hawks to gather and plants to bloom is justice. Please let me know what your thoughts are and how we can all collaborate and make the most incredible space that for which generations of Jewish people can be proud.

I also hope a memorial to the souls lost in Pittsburgh will be a part of the landscape initiative in the form of an art installation. Details will be provided to the synagogue and its constituents within the next eight weeks. I will provide several iterations from local artists for you all to choose from and decide how to best honor the memories of our Pennsylvanian family.

Thank you once again for welcoming me into the Tifereth family. I am here to serve you for you are my family. Feel free to contact me via email at biren@jmlegal.com with questions, comments, introductions, and recipes.

Blessings,
Brad Biren

CHALLAH BAKING CLASS IS A FUNDRAISING SUCCESS



Tifereth Israel and the Kitchen Collage worked together to offer a challah baking class taught by **Karen Engman**, an Iowa State Fair blue ribbon winner. She demonstrated to a class of 8 how to braid, make 2 sweet nut fillings and form a braided challah ring. Everyone kneaded dough, formed loaves and took home a baked sweet challah. Kitchen Collage has generously offered to let the classes be a fundraiser for Tifereth. This class was organized and offered by the Tifereth Fundraising Committee.



kitchen collage



Happy Hanukkah!

Please stop by the Louis & Marilyn Hurwitz Gift Shop to see our selection of many Hanukkah items!

Always open during office hours, M-TH 9-5pm & F 9-3pm.



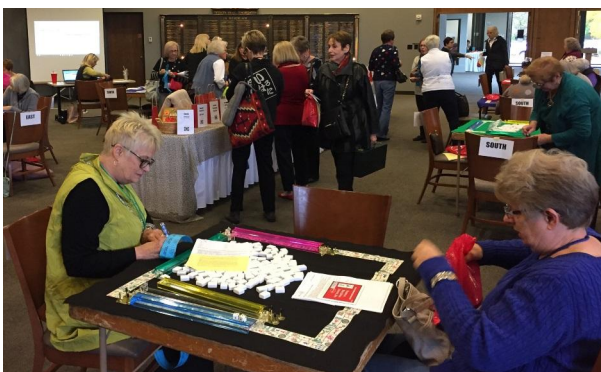
MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT



The Second Annual Tournament of the Tiles held on November 4th was a great success. There were 68 participants and at least \$3000 was raised for Tifereth Israel's coffers!! Everyone had a wonderful time playing Mah Jongg from 11:00am-4:30pm. A delicious box lunch was served with donated mini bundt cakes from *NOTHING BUNDT CAKES*. A fabulous raffle with over 50 items was



also held and many participants left with some terrific gifts. There were restaurant gift certificates, beauty products, sporting tickets and movie passes. A complete Mah Jongg set was donated by Yellow Mountain Imports. Many thanks to our wonderful committee of volunteers: Co -Chairs: Karen Engman and Vicki Givant, committee members and volunteers Barbara Leventhal-



Beckerman, Gloria Bernstein, Barb Berven, Judy Blank, Dory Goodman, Jody Jacklin, Louise Kaufmann, Bobbi Khalastchi, Susie Kimelman, Jacob Lederman, Barb Lettween, Gail Pearl, Hannah Rogers, Will Rogers, Gloria Rovner, Jami Schnoebelen, Toni Urban, Robbie Winick. It was a fun day for all! See you next year!

HAILEY HOMONOFF'S EXPERIENCE AT KADIMA CONVENTION

EMTZA Region USY Presents: Kadima Kinnus 2018

EMTZA Region is the Middle Region for the United Synagogue Youth Jewish teens (USY). Jewish 6th-8th graders from surrounding Midwest cities including, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Iowa City, Omaha, Kansas City, and St. Louis were invited to the first Kadima Kinnus Conference held in Iowa! The Kadima Kinnus Conference took place at the Sunstream Retreat Center, Ogden, IA. **Hailey Homonoff** attended this conference and had the big job of representing the Des Moines USY all on her own. Here is what she had to say about her experience, *I have to admit I was scared. I was scared that I wouldn't be put in a cabin with all my friends. I was scared that I wouldn't make any new friends. I was scared that I would do something*



*wrong and get kicked out. Let me say now, you have nothing to be scared of. No matter what, you're put in a good cabin. No matter what, you'll make new friends. No matter what, you'll have an incredible experience. My first Kadima/USY convention was **AMAZING!** Whether we were making Ramen at midnight, cupcake wars, or just taking a nature hike, I enjoyed every moment of it. I truly cannot wait to go back.*

Thank you, Hailey Homonoff

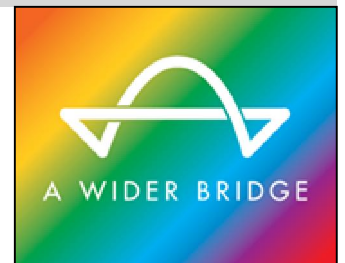
For more information or to get your child involved in Kadima and USY please contact **Anna Zavell** anna@dmifed.org .

For more information on EMTZA conferences and events- emtza.org/conventions/kadimakinnus/



A WIDER BRIDGE COMING TO IOWA

A Wider Bridge is a North American organization working through education, advocacy, relationship-building and grant-making to create equality in Israel by expanding LGBTQ inclusion in Israel, and equality for Israel by cultivating constructive engagement with Israel. A Wider Bridge came to Tifereth on November 15th and speakers and organizers included, District 65 State Representative **Liz Bennett**, **Quentin Hill**, **Dennis Tibben**, **Rabbi Barton**, and **David Adelman**. Thank you to everyone who joined us to Learn more about their work and become a member of A Wider Bridge at awiderbridge.org.



SHELTER DINNER



The Tifereth Tikkun Olam Committee Shelter Dinner group shops, prepares and delivers meals made in the Ohringer Kitchen: A Blumenthal Family Legacy several times a year. These meals supports a local shelter for women and their children who have suffered domestic violence. If you would

like to contribute to this important activity, be added to the committee contact list or if you have questions please contact the office, office@tifereth.org. Don't forget that teens can earn Silver Cord hours for volunteering as well! Watch for Tifereth weekly emails, Bulletins, the Tifereth website and Facebook page for future Shelter Dinner dates. **Thank you for volunteering!**



HUNGER HIKE

TAKING DONATIONS UNTIL JANUARY 31st!
Please consider donating. Thank you!

Tikkun Olam Activity 2018 Des Moines Hunger Hike



We did it! We beat our goal of \$1,300 with your amazingly generous contributions of over \$1600.00!! This year the need was greater due to the fact that one in five children in Polk County have food insecurities! 96% of our donated money is distributed to established non-profit agencies that provide free food to needy person, one-half it of staying in the immediate area and the other half going to organizations in the U.S. and beyond. Tifereth contributed

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knowing we helped while doing our small part to help repair the world. **If you meant to make a contribution but didn't, you may send your check to the Tifereth Office until January 31, 2019, made out to Des Moines Area Hunger Hike.** Be sure to note on your check that you are with Tifereth Israel. The Hunger Banquet will be held in March and over 20 non-profit agencies will be given checks from donations from all the Des Moines Area faith communities. Until next year's "Count Down", thank you again to everyone who helped.

Bev Ellis-Tifereth Israel Hunger Hike Coordinator
kubanbezz@aol.com

Thank You!

NEW AT THE IOWA JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Now on Exhibit for the first time at the Iowa Jewish Historical Society:
Two more stained-glass windows from Beth El Jacob Synagogue in Des Moines.



The museum is open 1:00–4:00pm Mondays through Fridays. It's always good to call ahead to 515-987-0899 ext. 216 since we're in a secured building. That way we can greet you at the door.

WE WANT YOU TO ASK THE RABBI!



Ask the Rabbi!



We have started an "Ask the Rabbi" column in the Tifereth Bulletin! Each month Rabbi Barton will pick a question or two from congregants of all ages, and answer them to the best of her ability. Please submit a question, whether you are 5 or 105! Please send your questions to office@tifereth.org and in the subject line please put "ask the Rabbi"

Rabbi Barton will begin to answer questions next month. Thanks!

USY & KADIMA TIKKUN OLAM PROJECT EVENT

Kadima Tikkun Olam Project Event

Sunday, December 2nd at 3:00pm



USY and Kadima will have a combined Tikkun Olam Event. This will be held at Tifereth Israel Synagogue beginning at 3:00pm. We will be making fleece tie blankets for children in Iowa who have experienced some sort of trauma. If you are able to make this event, please **RSVP anna@dmjfed.org**

There is no limit on attendees, I just want to be sure we have enough materials for everyone.



Thanks for helping!



COMMUNITY NEWS– UPCOMING EVENTS

Women's League Annual Latkes Sale

**Women's League is selling our delicious latkes for only
\$10.00 per baker's dozen!**

**Orders can be picked up at Tifereth during office hours
beginning November 28th.**

Thank you for your support of Tifereth Israel Women's League!



**Order by calling Samantha Johnson
515-238-4084 or email rsjohn@msn.com**

HANUKKAH SHABBAT CAFE



Happy Hanukkah!

Kick off Hanukkah this
Saturday, December 1st
Join us for a special Hanukkah Shabbat Café
following services.

LIGHT.
LOVE.
LATKES.

Women's League will be sponsoring and preparing a
delicious kiddush of vegetarian (soy-dairy) sloppy joes, cole slaw, latkes with sour cream & applesauce,
creamsicle floats & desserts!

SENIOR ACTIVITY



Jewish Family Services
Jewish Federation of Greater Des Moines

Senior Luncheon & Hanukkah Celebration

Thursday, December 6th, 12:00–1:30pm
At Temple B'nai Jeshurun

Abe Goldstein & Laura Sparks will entertain us with Hanukkah
songs. Come join us for music & Hanukkah foods!
\$5 donation

RSVP to Jody Ingersoll if you need a ride
515-987-0899 ext 210 or Jody@dmjfed.org





A colorful flyer for an Intergenerational Chanukah Party. At the top, the word 'CHANUKAH' is spelled out in large, colorful letters (C, H, A, N, U, K, A, H) hanging from a string. Below this, the text reads: 'Intergenerational Chanukah Party', 'Sunday, December 9th', '10:00 am - 12:00 pm', and 'Caspe Terrace'. The central text says 'GAMES, SONGS, SNACKS, AND CRAFTS'. To the left is an illustration of a menorah with lit candles and a dreidel. To the right is an illustration of a plate of donuts with sprinkles and a few coins. At the bottom, there are logos for 'Beit Sefer Sha'om', 'Jewish Family Services', 'OurWay', and 'Pj Library'.

AMSTERDAM HOLOCAUST PROFESSOR TO VISIT DSM

The Jewish Federation, the Iowa Jewish Historical Society Museum & the United Nations Association of Iowa welcomes **Dr. Emile Schrijver** to Des Moines to give a Holocaust presentation at Caspe Terrace.

Sunday, December 9th, 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

RSVP for purposes of seating/ inclement weather to jcrc@dmjfed.org

Amsterdam's Jewish Golden Age

Dr. Emile Schrijver, Director of the Amsterdam Jewish Museum
Dr. Emile G.L. Schrijver is General Director of the Jewish Historical Museum and the Jewish Cultural Quarter in Amsterdam, as well as Professor of Jewish Book History at the University of Amsterdam. The Jewish Cultural Quarter includes the Children's Museum, the Portuguese Synagogue, the Holocaust memorial site and the National Holocaust Museum (in development). Schrijver is an expert on Jewish cultural history and a renowned expert on the history of the Jewish book.

The Iowa Jewish Historical Society museum will open from 3:00 pm until a half hour after the program ends.



YAD Hanukkah Party!



**Saturday
December 8th at 6:00pm**

**Hanukkah
Foods**

**Made
by the Copelands**

RSVP NEEDED for headcount on food and supplies!

Thank you! Barb.berven@tifereth.org

HAPPY HANUKKAH

**It's back and
BIGGER
than ever!**

The **Tifereth Israel Synagogue -
Hanukkah Party**

is your ticket to

Holiday Fun!

Tifereth Israel Synagogue - Hanukkah Party

**Saturday, December 8, 2018
7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.**

Taking place at **TONIC ON COURT AVENUE**,
located at 210 Court Ave. in Downtown
Des Moines, join your friends and fellow Jews
as we celebrate the **Festival of Lights**.

Tickets are just \$20 and includes a
signature cocktail, appetizers from the
Mandarin, music, and
a Hanukkah Trivia Game.

For more information or to rsvp, please
contact Will Rogers at 515-669-1648.

Or send your check to
Tifereth Israel Synagogue at:
924 Polk Blvd., Des Moines, IA 50312

COMMUNITY NEWS– UPCOMING EVENTS

TRIBE HANUKKAH HAPPY HOUR



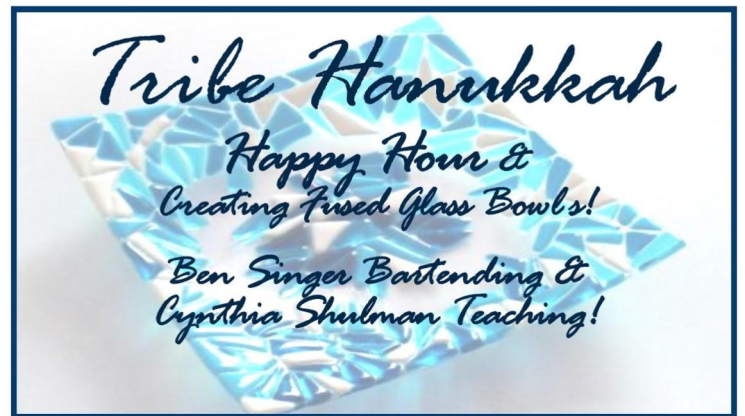
The Tifereth Tribe is a group for 21+ young professionals to gather once a month, and spend time getting to know each other.

Tribe Hanukkah Happy Hour & Art Class!

Thursday, December 6th, 6-8pm+

Happy hour will begin with **Ben Singer** mixing up Hanukkah cocktails for the group! Then **Cynthia Shulman**, Tifereth member and art instructor, will give brief instruction on creating fused glass bowls. Every person will receive a 6" squared piece of glass. Colored glass pieces will be provided to turn your square into an amazing decorative bowl!

Join us for a **Hanukkah Happy Hour!** Enjoy crafted Hanukkah cocktails & light nosh while getting crafty!



For suggestions, more information and updates & to **RSVP** please *like* the Tifereth Tribe Facebook page, facebook.com/iowatribe (The Eventbrite Link is there to RSVP)



JEWISH BROADWAY NIGHT



Join us for
***A Stroll Down Jewish Broadway
Themed Night!***

Monday, December 24th 6:30-9:00pm

We will be watching the Film– *Broadway Musicals: A Jewish Legacy*
Eating Chinese Food &
Having a Broadway Musical Sing-Along!

We want **YOUR** song suggestions!
We are making an list Please let us know! Office@tifereth.org

\$8 for Dinner– RSVP REQUIRED FOR FOOD COUNT
Reservations need to be made by December 14th by 3:00pm



COMMUNITY NEWS– UPCOMING EVENTS

CONTEMPLATIVE SHABBAT SERVICE



Contemplative Service

Once per month we now offer a special 45 minute meditative service including learning, singing, English readings and discussion. This peaceful practice will be a part of the main Saturday Shabbat service for all ages to enjoy. The Contemplative Service is on the second Saturday each month. The upcoming date will be **December 8th, 9:30-10:15am**. Torah Service will begin at **10:15am**.

EREV NASHIM LADIES DINNER GROUP

Erev Nashim is a purely social, multi-generational gathering of women in the Jewish community. We dine at restaurants throughout the greater Des Moines area, schmooze, kibitz, and share what's new in our lives. This is a great way to meet and get to know other women! This monthly outing is one of Tifereth Israel's most popular programs and is open to any women who are in any way connected to the Des Moines Jewish community.

Wednesday, December 12th at 6:30pm

Urban Grill

3651 86th St, Urbandale, IA 50322

Chic eatery providing New American dishes in a polished, low-key atmosphere with a bar & patio

To **RSVP** or for more information or suggestion, please contact **Jody Hramits** jodyhramits@gmail.com



ACOUSTIC SHABBAT



Friday, December 14th at 6:00pm

“Those who sing in this world sing also in the next.” —
Talmud, Sanhedrin

Come participate in a special Shabbat service featuring instrumental accompaniment and a blend of ancient, traditional, and contemporary Jewish music. Through the music of this service, you'll find connections to the spirit of our holy liturgy, allowing you to pray with your heart, your feet, your hands, and your body, even as the music of the prayers crosses your lips. Lift your voice in song and help create the spirit of holiness that is Shabbat!
ALL are welcome!

HAVDALAH, GAME NIGHT & POTLUCK



Havdalah, and Game Night will returns Saturday, December 15th at 6:30pm

After a brief Havdalah service and we will break out the games and enjoy potluck together. We'll also have a movie here for younger children.

This fun evening is open to everyone -- singles, couples, families with children young and old, members, visitors, and guests -- **ALL are welcome!**

Please bring either and appetizer, entrée or desert to share.

If you would like to help organize or have a suggestion please contact the office.
Barb.berven@tifereth.org



ADULT EDUCATION

KRAV MAGA CLASSES , SIGN UP!

KRAV MAGA

WITH TRIUMPH MARTIALARTS

February 5th, 12th & 19th, 2019
6:30-7:30pm

Would you like to learn self-defense? Are you curious about Krav Maga and would like to learn the basics? **Krav Maga**, (known as "Contact Combat" in Hebrew) is the official self-defense and fighting system used by the Israel Defense Forces, Israeli Police, military, and anti-terrorism units. The winter of 2019 we will be offering classes at Tifereth taught by local experts from Triumph Martial Arts in Clive. It would be a great way to warm up in the middle of an Iowa winter, get some exercise, learn some history about Krav Maga, learn self-defense and more! Classes will be conducted in the Social Hall and are open to everyone wanting like to learn! Triumph Martial Arts will be instructing this class series. The instructor is **Chris White**, a Level 3 Military Instructor and Krav Maga Black Belt. Pricing is still being determined, more details to follow.

We hope you will join us! To sign up please contact barb.berven@tifereth.org

For more information on Krav Maga- iowakravmaga.com

CHAVRUTA PROGRAM

Introducing: Tifereth Israel Synagogue's new **Chavruta program!** Chavruta, the Hebrew word for "friendship," is a traditional style of Jewish learning that puts the student first. Two students sit together to study a text - anything from Midrash to Movies- and analyze it as a team. Discussing new ideas helps both partners better understand what they think about the text. Chavruta also offers the opportunity to engage with the Tifereth community and Jewish learning on YOUR schedule. Chavruta is open to all who want to participate in Jewish learning. No experience required. Fill out the interest form to get started. A member of the Adult Education committee will contact you with more information and introduce you to your new chavruta partner. <https://goo.gl/forms/wmL0KfNdZzklWDpG3>

NEWS FROM THE POMERANTZ LIBRARY

Hanukkah is here! Please stop into the Pomerantz Library to see our extensive collection of children's Hanukkah books for the holiday. We also have excellent cook books and things appropriate for older readers in the Customs and Ceremonies section.

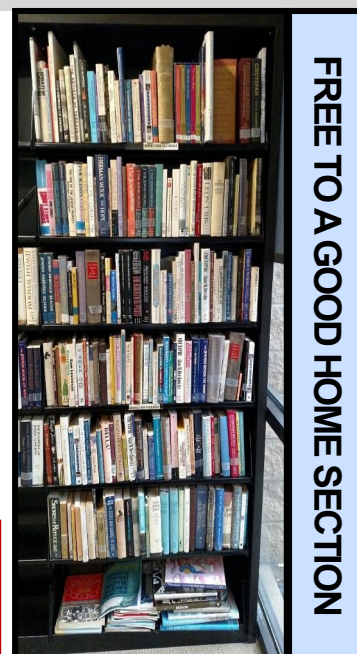
Happy Hanukkah!

Rita Weinberg and MaryPaul Even

Be sure to check out the "free to a good home" books in the Book Exchange section on east wall of the library.

The Tifereth Israel Synagogue Library is a special place. If you have not been in the library in awhile, we welcome you to explore all the books it has to offer. On Wednesday mornings, Library Volunteers **Rita Weinberg** and **MaryPaul Even** are available for questions and suggestions.

We are sorry to share that we have had more incidents of improper behavior in the library. The librarians' desk and supplies are not playthings. Please respect our library and use it as it should be used, not wasting supplies and damaging the desk and chairs. We love to see our library being used but please clean up after your children. Thank you!



ADULT EDUCATION

WEEKLY SHABBAT LUNCH AND LEARN WITH RABBI BARTON

Weekly Shabbat Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Barton

Stay for Kiddush and learning after services! **Saturdays** from approximately **12:30-1:15pm**. Bring your questions and opinions! Texts will be read in English, but Hebrew will also be provided. Note: There will not be a Torah discussion on the weekends there is a bar or bat mitzvah.

Lunch and Learn Topic– The Book of Samuel.

STEP: SUNDAY TORAH EDUCATION PROGRAM

STEP's study of the Hebrew Bible is ongoing. The discussion meets **Sundays at 10:00am** (except on holidays) in the Tifereth Israel Bookey Classroom. Feel free to stop in anytime; there's always a fresh pot of coffee and something sweet to eat! STEP is moderated by **Mike Kuperman**.

GABBAI CLASS WITH SUE HARRIS



***NOTE NEW DATE-**

Gabbai Workshop Saturday, January 12th after kiddush

Are you a current Gabbai? Are you curious about possibly becoming one? If so, we encourage you to attend this workshop!!! The congregation needs you!!!

Gabbais assist with the Torah service, supporting the Torah reader and the community. One Gabbai gives out all of the honors, (no Hebrew knowledge required), one calls up the person who has the aliyah, one announces what will be chanted and the page numbers to find the reading. The two gabbais who stand to the side of the Torah reader also have the role of helping the Torah reader, (ability to read Hebrew and follow along with chanting is required). In this workshop, **Andy Goodman, Rabbi Barton & Sue Harris** will discuss the nuts and bolts of being a Gabbai, answer any questions that current gabbais have, discuss best practices, as well as, hopefully train people who are interested in signing up to serve the community in in this way. We hope to see you there!

LEARN TO LEYN/CHANT WITH SUE HARRIS

Would you love to learn to leyn/chant from our sacred Torah scrolls? Can you decode Hebrew? If yes, then I'd love to teach you! Please email me at sue.harris@tifereth.org and let me know if you need a refresher or want to start from the very beginning. **Thank you!**

LEARN TO BE A HOLY ROLLER

Every week the Torah needs to be rolled for services and it's a multi person job. We would love to have a few volunteers help with this task, you just need to be able to reach above the Bimah! All ages welcome!

Contact sue.harris@tifereth.org if interested or talk to her at Shabbat services. **Thank you!**



ADULT EDUCATION

ADULT ED. CLASS CHAI MITZVAH–TIFERETH WITH THE TEMPLE



Chai Mitzvah will meet on the **fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM beginning October 23rd. Please note, December's meeting will be Tuesday the 18th.**

If you have any questions please contact Christine Dietz at cdietz895@gmail.com or (515) 210-3841.

December's Theme
INDIVIDUAL & COMMUNITY

CHAI MITZVAH
Grow Your Judaism

TUESDAY DECEMBER 18
AT TIFERETH ISRAEL
6:30P TO 8:00P
LED BY RABBI
EMILY BARTON

Chai Mitzvah Topics and schedule:

October 23, 6:30 pm	Adult Rites of Passage	Rabbi Emily Barton at TIS
November 27, 6:30 pm	Tzedakah/Philanthropy	Rochelle Hjelman at TBJ
December 18, 6:30 pm	Individual & Community	Rabbi Emily Barton at TIS
January 22, 6:30 pm	Interpersonal Relationships	Samantha Kemp-Carlin at TBJ
February 26, 6:30 pm	Mindfulness/Conscious Living	Christine Dietz at TIS
March 26, 6:30 pm	Passover	Elianah Siepmann at TIS
April 23, 6:30 pm	Israel and the Jewish Spirit	Rabbi David Kaufman at TBJ
May 21, 6:30 pm	Gratitude/Modim Ananchu Lach	Christine Dietz at TIS
June 25, 6:30 pm	Judaism and the Environment	Josh Mandelbaum at TBJ
July 23, 6:30 pm	Leadership	Sally Frank at TBJ
August 27, 6:30 pm	Death and Loss	Robin Karney at TIS
September 24, 6:30 pm	Arc of the Fall Holidays	Ryba Epstein at TBJ

INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM

Sundays, 12:00 noon – 1:30 pm beginning October 21st.

Taught by **Christine Dietz** and **Rabbi Barton**, this class is open to anyone interested in learning more about Judaism. It is also **REQUIRED** for anyone considering conversion to Judaism. The class will be based on the Miller Introduction to Judaism curriculum supplemented with additional texts and activities. The cost of nonmembers is \$150 and is free to TIS members. Scholarships and payment plans are available. Please contact **Rabbi Barton** if you are interested in converting before registering for this class. rabbibarton@tifereth.org



Miller Introduction to
Judaism Program
OF AMERICAN JEWISH UNIVERSITY

YOUTH AND YOUNG FAMILIES

TOT SHABBAT & JR. CONGREGATION

Tot Shabbat & Jr. Congregation will be meet next on **February 23rd at 10:30am**. Tot Shabbat provides an opportunity for parents and children to celebrate Shabbat together. Junior Congregation is Tifereth Israel's supplement to the Jewish education offered by Beit Sefer Shalom for children in 3th – 6th grade. Watch tifereth.org and your emails for updates on all youth programs and activities, including Ramah Shabbaton!

UPCOMING YAD ACTIVITIES

Please plan to attend the following YAD group activity:

- YAD Hanukkah Party at Tifereth, **Saturday, December 8th at 6:00pm**
- YAD Disco Party & Dinner **Saturday, January 19th at 6:00pm**

Watch emails for future YAD events.

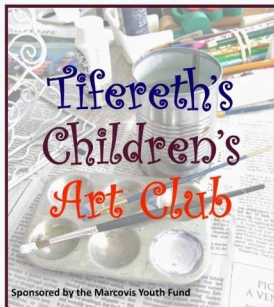


TIFERETh CHILDREN'S ART CLUB

A Monthly Educational Program for kids at Tifereth.

Sunday, January 27th at 12:30pm, Lunch is Provided

The Topic: Marc Chagall, Colors on Glass



The children's Art Club returns this year! Art enriches our lives. It strengthens our connection to ourselves, our self image, our spirituality, and our community, gives us empathy, and helps us connect and understand each other. The aim of the Tifereth Art Club is to make a positive difference by instilling children with the potential to express their creativity while giving them a sense of Jewish pride. Art is a powerful tool for success, and the best part is we have so much fun doing it!! Kids will be able to complete art projects connected to a Jewish theme. Sessions will be led by **Cynthia Shulman** one Sunday each month.

RSVP is REQUIRED for food and supplies barb.berven@tifereth.org

CHILDREN'S ART CLUB IS FUN!

The November Tifereth Children's Art Club used canvas painting to learn about **Camille Pissarro**.



WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

Membership: Dues Statement for the 2018-19 Women's League membership and statements have been mailed.

Torah Fund: 2018-2019 Torah Fund Campaign: Watch your mailbox for the Campaign letter. The 2018-2019 Torah Fund Campaign ends May, 31 2019. If you have any questions please Contact the Torah Fund Chair, Gwen Griger at 515-537-1454.



Women's League donations to T.I. Women's League or Torah Fund will be included in your annual account overview from the synagogue. Thanks to **Barb Berven** for helping us make this accounting possible for you. If you have questions about a donation or want to be sure your donation is accounted for please contact **Rose Sloven** or **Barb** in the office.



WOMEN'S LEAGUE
IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS.

Please consider joining us at our next board meeting, **Sunday, December 16th at 10:00am**. We currently have open board positions available for people to work on events. For more information contact our Co-Presidents—

Samantha Johnson rsjohn@msn.com or **Barbara Leventhal Beckerman** barbaraleventhal@gmail.com

WOMEN'S LEAGUE IS NOW ON AMAZON.COM

The Women's League for Conservative Judaism is now partnering with Amazon as a national fundraiser. Please support Women's League for Conservative Judaism by simply shopping at the website you love! By initiating your Amazon online shopping session through the national Women's League website, Amazon will rebate a percentage of the sale back to Women's League. Without spending an additional dime, you will be helping Women's League continue to provide its outstanding services. This is such a simple way to support Women's League with no additional costs on your part! The only requirement is that you initiate your online shopping session through our national website link- wlcj.org/shop-now or go to our website wlcj.org and then click on the Amazon icon at the top of the page. *Thank you!*



WOMEN'S LEAGUE IS SELLING TORAH FUND GREETING CARDS

The Gift Shop has several different types of Women's League Torah Fund cards for sale for \$5.00 each. These cards are for special occasions such as, sympathy, mazel tov, get well, thank you and general celebration. The money spent on these cards are donations to Torah Fund. If you want to purchase any of these cards, the office would be happy to help you anytime during office hours. Thank you!



WOMEN'S LEAGUE IS ON FACEBOOK



Tifereth Women's League is on Facebook.
Please like us at www.Facebook.com/TIWomensLeague



מה יפה ירושתנו

Torah Fund Campaign and Exclusive Keepsake Pin

5779 (2018-2019)

Atid means "future" in Hebrew. As Women's League for Conservative Judaism enters its second century, Torah Fund begins its 77th year, and the State of Israel enters its 71st year. We look forward with joy to our future together with you, our sisterhood members and supporters of Torah Fund.

When the classical rabbinic texts speak of the future using the word atid, it usually appears in the phrase "le'atid lavo," which means "in the future to come." By this, they mean either the day when the Messiah will come, or olam haba, the afterlife. Israelis, referring to this life, are known to say with optimism, "Yesh atid," which means "there is a future!"

How do you envision your future? Your personal future, the future of your family, the future of your community, of the United States, Canada, and Israel? When you dream of a bright future, is it in the next world or this one? The seminaries of the Conservative/Masorti movement, which we support through Torah Fund, are doing the great work that helps us navigate our future together, as one people. Our sisterhoods provide the social and educational networks – the extended family – that help us go forward into our future, as Jewish women, with confidence.

The 5779 Torah Fund pin envelopes the Hebrew word for "future" (atid) with a stylized Magen David. It represents our wish for a distinctly Jewish future, for ourselves as individuals, for our families, and our communities.

Categories of donation:

\$600 Associate Patron - Ruby

\$300 Guardian - Pearl

\$180 Benefactor

Your donation of \$180 and higher earns this year's keepsake pin

Multiples of chai:

\$72, \$54, \$36 and \$18



Please mail your donation (payable to Torah Fund) to
Gwen Griger - 7955 Wistful Vista Dr. Unit 26. West Des Moines, IA 50266
Your donation to Torah Fund is greatly appreciated!

Yours truly,

Gwen Griger

Gwen Griger
Torah Fund Chair

DONATIONS: October 29-November 21, 2018

Bookey Rabbinic Fund

Dorothy and Harlan "Bud" Hockenberg
In Memory of Adelaide Sostrin Krum

General Fund

Barb Berven

In Memory of Jason Blank
In Memory of Ronald Long
In Memory of Rosita Rabinovitz

Paige and Mark Blair

In Memory of Jack Blair

Ann and Larry Blumberg

In Memory of Jason Blank
In Memory of Rosita Rabinovitz

Julie and Brian Burton

In Memory of Rose Neiman

Sashya and Ben Clark

In Appreciation

Helene Cole

In Memory of Frank Cole

Andi and Bob Duitch

In Memory of Jason Blank

Shari and Stanley Engman

In Memory of Adelaide Krum
In Memory of Ronald Long
In Memory of Sol Nagorner

Sharon and Phillip Estaver

In Honor of Emma Estaver's
Consecration

Jan and Jeff Farber

In Memory of Ronald Ted Long
In Memory of Victor Stein

Laura and Brian Feintech

In Appreciation

Vicki & Alan Givant

In Memory of Jason Blank
In Memory of Sophie Rutman Clayman
In Memory of Adelaide Krum
In Memory of Rosita Rabinovitz

Sharon and Dennis Goldford

In Memory of Wayne Dietz

Gwen and Harry Griger

In Memory of Mary Griger

Joycelyn Joseph

In Appreciation

Sally Nagorner

In Memory of Elizabeth Zeichik
In Memory of Milton Zeichik

Lorraine Neiman

In Memory of those who lost their
Lives at Tree of Life Synagogue

Daniel Norris

In Memory of Peggy Altman

Ronna and Donald Prochter

In Memory of Mary Pochter

Rose and Joseph Toubes

In Memory of Yetta Toubes

General Fund Continued

Nancy Waldman

In Memory of Wayne Dietz

Robbie and Marvin Winick

Good Health to Margo Blumenthal

In Memory of Ronald Long

Audrey Zaprudsky

In Memory of Peter Zaprudsky

Marcovis Youth Fund

Shirlee and Jim Marcovis

In Honor of Larry Weindruch's
70th Birthday

In Memory of Jason Blank

In Memory of Adelaide Krum

In Memory of Eli Levy

In Memory of Rosita Rabinovitz

Pidgeon Book Fund

Zona and Barry Pidgeon

In Memory of Larry Pidgeon

Harriet Pidgeon

In Memory of Elizabeth Bucksbaum

In Memory of David Pidgeon

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Judy and Michael Balter

In Appreciation

Harry Simon Fund

Andi and Bob Duitch

In Memory of Adelaide Krum

In Memory of Ronald Long

Gail Pearl

In Memory of Leah Passman

Trudi Rosenfeld

In Memory of Marty Rosenfeld

Suzann Simon

In Memory of Jason Blank

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In Memory of Ronald Long

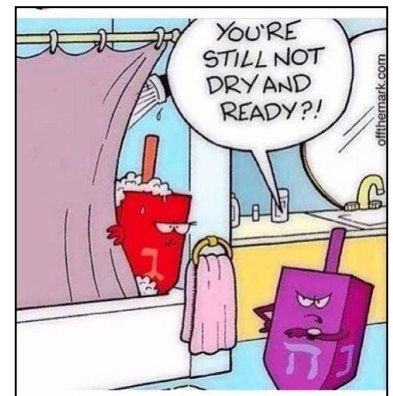
In Memory of Rosita Rabinovita

USY Fund

Becky and Maurice Solomon,

Leah Swartz and Adam Kaplan

In Memory of Rhoda Kreamer



Tifereth Israel Synagogue families and friends who wish to remember their loved ones throughout the year may make contributions to any of our funds listed below.

- General Fund
- College Scholarship Fund
- Stanley Isaacson Torah Fund
- Kitchen Fund
- Brody Youth Fund
- Marcovis Youth Fund
- David D. Pidgeon Book Fund
- Louis & Dorothy Pomerantz Camp Ramah Fund
- Pomerantz Library Fund
- Prayer Book Fund
- Program Endowment Fund
- Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
- Rosenthal Memorial Fund & Cemetery
- Ruth Rissman Children's Book Fund
- Elizabeth Sherman Shabbat Café Fund
- Harry Simon Memorial Fund
- Spiro Music Endowment Fund
- Tifereth Israel Foundation
- Tikkun Olam / Garden Fund
- Women's League
- YAD Group

Thank you to those that contributed photos to the Tifereth Bulletin, It is very appreciated! These people include,



Gloria Bernstein, Jenny Blumberg, Kristin Davis, Tasha Hausmann, Jody Jacklin, Will Rogers

If your name was not mentioned please let the office know, it will be added to next month's Bulletin.

We would really like to add your photos to the Tifereth Bulletin, if you have photos to submit, please send them to office@tifereth.org **Thank you!**

Save the date!



Ramah Shabbat at Tifereth Israel February 1-3, 2019
 With Artist-in-Residence Eliana Light
 Join Ramah staff members for a fun and spirited camp Shabbat filled with singing, ruach, games, and much, much more!
 More details to come.



HANUKKAH KOSHER FOODS AT HY-VEE WINDSOR HEIGHTS

Happy Hanukkah from Hy-Vee!

Get ready for Hanukkah at Hy-Vee Windsor Heights!

Hy-Vee will continue to purchase and provide kosher products as long as it sells. Please support it! Please tell your friends and family too!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

December 1 Sheya Finkelstein Jessica Harrington	December 9 Elliot Kosby Barbara Lettween	December 21 Roger Hon
December 2 Albert Mintzer Tanya Shoykhet	December 10 Sophie Honomoff Cynthia Shulman	December 22 Leonid Resh
December 3 Allan Rovner	December 12 Samuel Engman David Greenspon	December 23 Anya Finkelshteyn Harlan Rosenberg
December 4 Kathy Bassman Dorothy Bruggemann	December 14 Shelley Kitsis	December 24 Grant Oxer Simon Roberts Serge Staroselsky
December 5 Marilyn Nussbaum Susan Zuckman	December 15 Ariel Simon	December 25 Anders Dietz-Swenson Jeffery Marcovis Michael Marcovis Marcie Morrison
December 6 Matthew Homonoff	December 18 Lorraine Neiman	December 26 Maggie Matijevich
December 7 Rose Toubes	December 19 Mindy Bell Josh Waltman	December 27 Lindsey Johnson Leah Kalmanson Aaron Rosenberg
December 8 Tanya Keith Charlotte Raush	December 20 Sandra Pomerantz-Reed Abby Wahlig Alexander Wieczner	December 28 Taylor Yavitz
		December 30 Benjamin Adelman
		December 31 Blaine Bookey

HAPPY DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

December 11 Wendi Harris & Stuart Oxer	December 21 Laurie & Joe Wahlig
December 14 Heidi Schneider & Joel Mintzer	December 29 Vicki & Alan Givant
December 15 Maria Vorozhbit & Mikhail Mendelev	December 30 Vera & Gennady Aginsky
December 17 Toni & Tim Urban	December 31 Maggie & Matt Matijevich
December 18 .Robin & Philip Bear Allyson & Scott Reister	

DMARC RED BARREL MONTHLY SUGGESTED DONATION



The DMARC Red Barrel is located in the Tifereth entryway. Feel Free to drop off donations during office hours, see back page for hours. If you would like to contact or donate directly to the Des Moines Area Religious Council directly:
515-277-6969
dmarcunited.org

— DECEMBER 2018 —

<p>DONATION of the MONTH</p> <p>Canned Pears canned in water or 100% juice</p>	<p><i>Culturally Appropriate Food</i></p> <p>Puff Ball Mushrooms canned in water or brine</p>

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

January 2	Jill Cantor	January 15	Adam Kaplan	January 24	Allison Ohringer
January 3	Wendi Harris Charles Lipman	January 16	Benjamin Hockenberg Harriet Pidgeon	January 25	Jeff Farber Kelsey Kupitz
January 4	Louise Kaufmann	January 17	Chelsea Bear Andrew Goodman	January 26	Avigal Lederman
January 5	Pauline Altman Ayal Naggar Elisabeth Pusin Will Rogers	January 19	Erica Hopkins Alex Resh	January 27	Vera Aginsky Molly Bremen
January 7	Jacob Fuller	January 20	Paige Blair Roselind Rabinowitz	January 28	Tania Kac
January 9	Allison Engman Elijah Huisman	January 21	Aaron Beckerman Laurie Wahlig Tricia Yavitz	January 29	Brian Pearl
January 10	Ron Feder Mark Levitt	January 22	Phyllis Friedman	January 30	Lois Brown Julie Burton David Hadenfeldt Thresa Parker
January 14	Deirdre Farr Jacob Goldstein Maria Hay Rachel Sandler	January 23	Andrew Giller Hannah Rogers	January 31	Miriam Copeland Ron Rosenblatt

HAPPY JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES




January 1	Linda & Bob Carpenter Alyse Biondi & Zak Christensen	January 13	Nicole & Jason Kosby
January 3	Ellen & Mathew Kirschner	January 17	Eleonor & Alex Resh
January 12	Shari & Stanley Engman	January 31	Annie & Ayal Naggar



Happy Hanukkah!
from Tifereth Israel Synagogue





December 2018 / Kislev-Tevet 5779

Calendar subject to change

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
24 Kislev STEP 10:00am Intro to Judaism 12-1:30pm Kadima 3:00pm Erev Hanukkah	25 Kislev Hanukkah	26 Kislev Morning Minyan 7:15am Hanukkah	27 Kislev Hanukkah	28 Kislev Sr. Activity- Hanukkah Party 12:00pm at TBJ Tribe Art & Cocktails Night 5:pm Hanukkah	29 Kislev Evening Services 6:00pm  4:26pm Hanukkah Parties	30 Kislev Morning Services 9:30am Contemplative Service 9:30-10:15am Torah Service 10:15am Shabbat Cafe 11:45am Lunch & Learn with Rabbi 12:30pm Hanukkah Parties
1 Tevet STEP 10:00am Federation Hanukkah Party 10:00am Intro to Judaism 12-1:30pm Dr. Schrijver at Caspe 3:30pm Hanukkah	2 Tevet Hanukkah	3 Tevet Morning Minyan 7:15am Hanukkah	4 Tevet Erev Nashim at Urban Grill 6:30pm	5 Tevet Hanukkah	6 Tevet Acoustic Shabbat Evening Services 6:00pm  4:25pm	7 Tevet Morning Services 9:30am Shabbat Cafe 11:45am Lunch & Learn with Rabbi 12:30pm Havdalah & Game Night 6:30pm
8 Tevet STEP 10:00am Women's League Meeting Intro to Judaism 12-1:30pm	9 Tevet TIS Office Closed Broadway/Musical Night Film, Singalong & Chinese Dinner 6:30pm	10 Tevet Morning Minyan 7:15am Chai Mitzvah Class at TIS 6:30pm	11 Tevet Tifereth Office Closed	12 Tevet TIS Office Closed	13 Tevet Evening Services 6:00pm  4:27pm	14 Tevet Morning Services 9:30am Shabbat Cafe 11:45am Lunch & Learn with Rabbi 12:30pm
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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1 24 Tevet Morning Minyan 9:00am	2 25 Tevet	3 26 Tevet	4 27 Tevet Evening Services 6:00pm  4:40pm	5 28 Tevet Morning Services 9:30am Shabbat Cafe 11:45am Lunch & Learn with Rabbi 12:30pm Havdalah & Game Night 6:30pm
6 29 Tevet STEP 10:00am Intro to Judaism 12-1:30pm Men's Trip leaving for Las Vegas	7 1 Shevat Rosh Chodesh	8 2 Shevat Morning Minyan 7:15am Sr. Outing to Prairie Meadows 11:00am	9 3 Shevat Erev Nashim at Water Front 6:30pm	10 4 Shevat	11 5 Shevat Evening Services 6:00pm  4:47pm	12 6 Shevat Morning Services 9:30am Contemplative Service Shabbat Cafe 11:45am Lunch & Learn with Rabbi 12:30pm Gabbat Class
13 7 Shevat STEP 10:00am Intro to Judaism 12-1:30pm	14 8 Shevat	15 9 Shevat Morning Minyan 7:15am	16 10 Shevat	17 11 Shevat	18 12 Shevat Evening Services 6:00pm  4:55pm	19 13 Shevat Morning Services 9:30am Shabbat Cafe 11:45am Shabbat Cafe 11:45am Lunch & Learn with Rabbi 12:30pm YAD Disco Party & Dinner 6:00pm
20 14 Shevat STEP 10:00am Intro to Judaism 12-1:30pm	21 15 Shevat Martin Luther King Day	22 16 Shevat Morning Minyan 7:15am Chai Mitzvah Class at TBJ 6:30pm	23 17 Shevat	24 18 Shevat Tribe Happy Hour at Brew Styles 5:00pm	25 19 Shevat Evening Services 6:00pm  5:03pm	26 20 Shevat Morning Services 9:30am Shabbat Cafe 11:45am Lunch & Learn with Rabbi 12:30pm
27 21 Shevat STEP 10:00am Intro to Judaism 12-1:30pm Children's Art Club 12:30pm	28 22 Shevat	29 23 Shevat Morning Minyan 7:15am	30 24 Shevat	31 25 Shevat		

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