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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER

Sunday, November 1	9:00 am	Hebrew School
Sunday, November 1	10:00 am	Joint Religious School
Wednesday, November 4	4:30 pm	Hebrew School
Friday, November 6	6:30 pm	Gary Segal Memorial Veterans Service
Saturday, November 7	9:00 am	Torah Study
Saturday, November 7	10:00 am	Temple Emanuel Shabbat Service
Sunday, November 8	9:00 am	Hebrew School
Sunday, November 8	10:00 am	Joint Religious School
Wednesday, November 11	4:30 pm	Hebrew School
Friday, November 13	6:30 pm	Temple Emanuel Shabbat Service
Saturday, November 14	9:00 am	Torah Study
Saturday, November 14	10:00 am	Beth Israel Shabbat Service
Sunday, November 15	9:00 am	Hebrew School
Sunday, November 15	10:00 am	Joint Religious School
Tuesday, November 17	7:00 pm	Beth Israel Board Meeting
Wednesday, November 18	12:00 pm	Nosh & Mingle
Wednesday, November 18	4:30 pm	Hebrew School
Friday, November 20	6:30 pm	Temple Emanuel Shabbat Service
Saturday, November 21	9:00 am	Torah Study
Saturday, November 21	10:00 am	Beth Israel Shabbat Service
Sunday, November 22	9:00 am	Hebrew School
Sunday, November 22	10:00 am	Joint Religious School
Tuesday, November 24	7:00 pm	Interfaith Thanksgiving at St. George
Wednesday, November 25		NO SCHOOL
Thursday, November 26		OFFICES CLOSED - THANKSGIVING
Friday, November 27		OFFICES CLOSED
Friday, November 27	6:30 pm	Temple Emanuel Shabbat Service
Saturday, November 28	9:00 am	Torah Study
Saturday, November 28	10:00 am	Beth Israel Shabbat Service
Sunday, November 29		NO SCHOOL
Sunday, November 29	3:30 pm	Cafe on Vine

SAVE THE DATE

Join us on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH FOR THE ANNUAL
ROCK ISLAND THANKSGIVING ECUMENICAL SERVICE
@ 7:00 PM AT ST. GEORGE GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH,
2930 31ST AVE, ROCK ISLAND, IL.



RABBI'S MESSAGE

Welcome to November,

In November, we will say goodbye to Marcheshvan, more commonly known as Cheshvan, and joyously welcome in Kislev, marked by Chanukkah on the 25th of Kislev. The rabbis suggested that the Mar prefix found in the name of the month reflects that it is a bitter month. After Tishrei, a month full of holidays like Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Shmini Atzeret, Simchat Torah, Cheshvan feels bittersweet, empty of markers of sacred time.



The Torah itself does not provide the names of the months; we adopted Babylonian names of the months while in exile. The Babylonian name of the holiday is warachsamnu, which believe it or not, is directly related to Marcheshvan.

Rabbi Dr Ari Z. Zivotofsky explains it better than I could:

In Akkadian (Babylonian/Assyrian), “w” (vav) and “m” (mem) sounds can interchange. As a result, Marcheshvan which is from the two words “m’rach” and “shvan,” would have been “warh” and “shman,” in Akkadian, corresponding to the Hebrew “yerech shmini,” thus “eighth month.”

And the folk etymology of Marcheshvan as bitter Cheshvan is increasingly inapplicable. In 2008, the state of Israel recognized the Ethiopian Jewish holiday as a national holiday. Sigd is tied to the prophet Ezra and was a holiday that celebrated escaping persecution in their Christian dominated society. On Sigd, Ethiopian Jews would ascend to the highest mountaintops of their home and would pray to return to Jerusalem. Now that the community has made Aliyah, the holiday has evolved. The community and their priests head to the Western Wall and express gratitude for being in this moment.

When the Ethiopian Jewish community gained contact with the broader Jewish world, they instituted a series of calendar reforms to harmonize their native pre-rabbinic traditions with rabbinic Judaism. The Ethiopian Jewish community historically celebrated Sigd on the 29th of Kislev. If you were following early, you remember that would mean that Sigd would happen at the same time as Chanukkah, a holiday that was previously unknown to the Ethiopian Jewish community. In compromise and deference, they moved Sigd forward a month into Kislev.

I think Sigd can teach the broader Jewish community to be grateful to live in this moment. Let us be grateful that we live in an interconnected society where we can learn from all of the Jewish diaspora and the world. In this month of Thanksgiving, let us be grateful to be here, in this moment, here in the quad cities. We live in a time where we can dispel folklore etymologies (when it suits us) and embrace new traditions.

-Rabbi David

UPCOMING EVENTS / CENTER NEWS

What's Ahead in November

As we move into November, we have two meaningful joint services planned and look forward to sharing them with our community.

Annual Gary Segal Memorial Veterans Service

Friday, November 6th, 6:30 PM

Beit Shalom

Join us as we honor and express our gratitude to our veterans and active-duty military personnel. Members of both Congregation Beth Israel and Temple Emanuel are warmly invited to attend this joint service. We are honored to welcome Amy Johnson as our guest speaker for the evening. Adding to the service, Tyler Katz will accompany our prayers with live violin performances.

Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service

Tuesday, November 24th, 7:00 PM

St. George Greek Orthodox Church, Rock Island, IL

In the spirit of gratitude and interfaith fellowship, we will join our former neighbors at St. George Greek Orthodox Church for our annual Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service. It is always an uplifting evening as local congregations come together to give thanks as one community.

We hope to see you, your family, and your friends at these upcoming November events!

On October 3rd, our community gathered for a joyful Consecration & Simchat Torah celebration!

We honored our newest learners, marking the start of their Jewish educational journey, then enjoyed a hot dog & chili dinner sponsored by the Beth Israel & Temple Emanuel Sisterhoods.

We then lifted our voices and danced joyfully with the Torah scrolls, celebrating both the completion of our annual reading cycle and the excitement of starting it all over again.

Thank you to all who joined us to celebrate, learn, and begin the Torah anew!





Congregation Beth Israel extends our deepest sympathies to:

- ★ The family & friends of *Stuart Waxenberg*, who passed away on September 28th, 2026.
- ★ The family & friends of *Harry Alter*, who passed away on October 2nd, 2026.
- ★ The family & friends of *Geraldine Hyman*, who passed away on October 21st, 2026.



Get well soon **REFUAH SHLEIMAH HEALING LIST**

If you or a loved one would like to be added or removed from the healing list, please contact the Beth Israel office at office@tricityjewishcenter.org 309-788-3426.

GOOD NEWS!

Do you have good news to share that you would like published in the Centerite newsletter?
Please call or email the office with your good news.
Submissions are due by the 25th of the month.



CIRCLE OF REMEMBRANCE / YAHRZEIT MEMORIAL

*The following circles have been added to
the Circle of Remembrance memorial:*

In Fond Memory Of
HENRY "HANK" FARBER
Remembered By
Your Many Friends



We Fondly Remember
HENRY "HANK" FARBER
From
The Travel Group



Yahrzeit Memorial Plaques

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Yahrzeit plaques serve to honor the memory of a loved one and ensure their name will be read before mourner's kaddish, even after relatives move or pass away. The plaque made of bronze will hang in a place of honor upon the dedicated Memorial Wall located inside Beit Shalom. To order a yahrzeit plaque, please call the office and provide the English name, Hebrew name, and date of death. Cost is \$500 per plaque.

Order Your 2027 Mah Jongg Cards



Large card is \$18
Standard card is \$16
Due date is February 1st

Please write check to:
Debbie Vesole
6849 Grenadier Blvd #1104
Naples, FL 34108

Payment can also be made
through Zelle, Venmo, or Apple
Pay.

Text or call Debbie at
309-781-0926
debvesole@yahoo.com



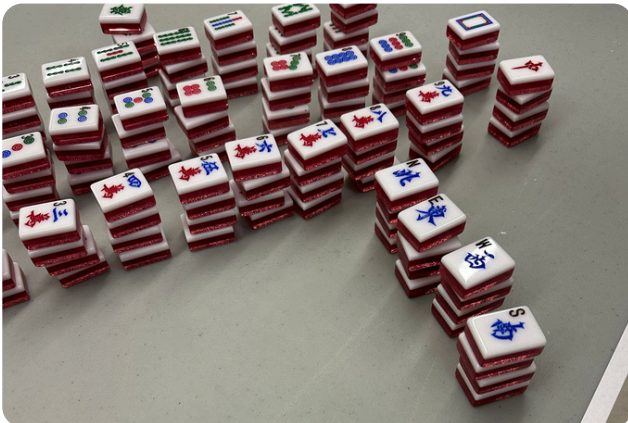
Thank you to everyone who joined us on October 16th for the Beth Israel Sisterhood Shabbat and Men's Club dinner. Special thanks to Marla Andich and Reggie Goldstein for organizing the service, to all our Sisterhood participants, to Ryan, Maynard Siegel, and the Center's Men's Club for the delicious meal, and Marla Andich for baking a wonderful dessert!

Thank you



BETH ISRAEL SISTERHOOD

Eighteen Sisterhood members had fun learning about and playing Mahjong on October 27th at Beit Shalom. Special thanks to Jodie Kavensky and Sharon Gellerman for leading the instruction. A great evening was had by all!



Making a Chai Impact-One Mitzvah at a Time

Thanks so much to all who joined Team Beit Shalom at the CROP Walk on a beautiful Sunday afternoon last month to walk across the I74 Bridge. The walkers joined with other faith communities to raise money to fight hunger internationally and locally. Our team was proud to see our own Rabbi David join with a pastor and an imam to provide meaningful invocations that sent the walkers off on their hike.

Of course, it is never too late to join with other generous synagogue members in making a contribution to CROP Walk. You can leave a check at the synagogue made out to "CROP Walk." Thanks to all who helped to maintain Beit Shalom's long-standing commitment to CROP and its mission to end hunger.

The Chai Impact Committee is Offering a BOGO Opportunity!!!

Don't miss out on the opportunity to do two mitzvot for the price of one. The good news is that the committee's project to help a Davenport couple who are confined to wheelchairs, one with Multiple Sclerosis and the other with a spinal injury, make their kitchen accessible is off to a great start thanks to generous donors. The remodel increases the chance that the couple can continue to remain in their house and live independently.

The kitchen's center island has been removed to allow wheelchair turning radius, a new ADA compliant stove has been installed, and the old flooring replaced. However, with additional contributions, we can make the kitchen completely accessible by lowering the sink and adjacent cabinets.

So what mitzvah do you get free when you contribute to Kellie's Kitchen? Well, in addition to helping a family live a fuller life, your contribution helps One-Eighty, a local addictions recovery program, who are the contractors on the project. One-Eighty uses its remodeling business as a training program for those in addiction recovery to learn skills to use for a fulfilling career when they complete their treatment program. So your contribution not only promotes home accessibility but addiction treatment programs as well.

One mitzvah gets a second one free, but this offer is time limited! So send your check made out to the Finch Fund for MS to the Beit Shalom office, or go to thefinchfund.org and donate online noting your contribution is for Kellie's Kitchen.

CROP WALK OCTOBER 4th

A huge thank you to everyone who walked and or donated in the 55th annual Quad Cities CROP Hunger Walk!
Your support makes a real difference.



CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL
PRESENTS



15th ANNUAL

GARY SEGAL MEMORIAL

*Veterans
Service*



FRIDAY



NOVEMBER 6
2026



6:30 PM



GUEST SPEAKER
AMY JOHNSON

Congregation Beth Israel and Temple Emanuel
invite all members to attend a special Shabbat
service honoring our veterans.

Refreshments will be served.



Please join us November 18th, 2026 at NOON

Nosh *and* Mingle

Beit Shalom,
2215 E. Kimberly Road, Davenport



Hosted by the
Jewish Federation of the Quad Cities



Featuring the
Blackhawk College
Jazz Ensemble Band,
Directed by Corey Kendrick



Lunch will be
Vegetable Lasagna
w/ tossed salad
and dessert

All for \$5.00



RSVP to Laura Lade by
Monday, November 16th @ 309-793-1300
or LLade@jfqc.org



THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF THE QUAD CITIES
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO THE FOLLOWING FREE CONCERT:

AN EVENING WITH MATISYAHU



WHEN: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2026



TIME: 7:00 PM (DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM)



WHERE: COMMON CHORD,
129 NORTH MAIN STREET, DAVENPORT

BIO

MATISYAHU, BORN MATTHEW PAUL MILLER IN 1979, IS AN AMERICAN REGGAE, HIP-HOP, AND ALTERNATIVE ROCK MUSICIAN KNOWN FOR COMBINING JEWISH SPIRITUALITY WITH MODERN MUSIC. HE GAINED INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION IN THE MID-2000S WITH HIS HIT SONG "ONE DAY," HIS MUSIC EXPLORES FAITH, IDENTITY, AND HOPE.



**SPACE IS LIMITED -
RSVP BY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH**



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NOVEMBER YAHRZEITS

21 Cheshvan
Sunday, Nov. 1
Ike Kershner
Edward Lipschitz
Nathan Curtis
Ida Harris
Joe Coppersmith

22 Cheshvan
Monday, Nov. 2
Edythe Kohn
Abraham Gurewitz
Louis Isenberg
Jessie Wiss
Janet Weindruch

23 Cheshvan
Tuesday, Nov. 3
Ann Harris
Rosa Popofsky
Anna Weiner

24 Cheshvan
Wednesday, Nov. 4
Morris Wiss
Abraham Blitz
Rose Goldis
Paul Gorenstein
Anna Trager
Douglas Black

25 Cheshvan
Thursday, Nov. 5
Leo Finkelstein
Paul Berg
Philip Vinar
Fred Stroud

26 Cheshvan
Friday, Nov. 6
Simon Leman

27 Cheshvan
Saturday, Nov. 7
Abraham Gendler
Joseph Weinstein
Tille Morris

28 Cheshvan
Sunday, Nov. 8
Charles Kohen
Harry Wiesman

29 Cheshvan
Monday, Nov. 9
Isaac Avruch

30 Cheshvan
Tuesday, Nov. 10
Norman Siegel

1 Kislev
Wednesday, Nov. 11
Joseph Buder
Shirley Kavensky

2 Kislev
Thursday, Nov. 12
Jack Rimmerman
Seymour Lipkowitz
Shirley Achler

3 Kislev
Friday, Nov. 13

4 Kislev
Saturday, Nov. 14
Gussie Ezring
Hyman Whitebook
Norman Ziffren
Ethel Carp
Sonia Trop

5 Kislev
Sunday, Nov. 15
Bertha Brady
Fannie Axelrod
Samuel Maggid
Martha Geifman

6 Kislev
Monday, Nov. 16
Annabelle Richman

7 Kislev
Tuesday, Nov. 17
Hyman Avruck
Blanche Carp
Beatrice Geifman
David Nitikman

8 Kislev
Wednesday, Nov. 18
Rebecca Zeffren
Charles Brady
Max Lieflander
Terry Shamon
Walter Spector
Aleck Andich

9 Kislev
Thursday, Nov. 19
Esther Pesses

10 Kislev
Friday, Nov. 20
Helen Dubin
Dora Goldberg
David Goldsmith
Julius Liebman

11 Kislev
Saturday, Nov. 21
Meta Gellman
Adalia Raphael
Abraham Solomon
Manny Drevich

12 Kislev
Sunday, Nov. 22
Eva Liebman
Ruth Spector
Nathan Harris
Charlotte Ander

13 Kislev
Monday, Nov. 23
Hyman Goldman
Ben Rudman
Chaim Cooper
Dena Blitz Comarow
Irene Waxenberg
Rose Rothenberg

14 Kislev
Tuesday, Nov. 24
Mary Cooper
Betty Elman
Ella Wolfson
Julius Lehman
Anna Cohn
Rose Levy
Lenore Turkeltaub

15 Kislev
Wednesday, Nov. 25
Martin Geffen
Esther Honeyman

16 Kislev
Thursday, Nov. 26
Gittel Andich
Irene Crane
Phillip Leman
June Franks

17 Kislev
Friday, Nov. 27
Jacob Klein
Harry Hanchin
Irene Slivken

18 Kislev
Saturday, Nov. 28
Tzipa Pesha Siev
Oscar Dover
William Glatstein
Ben Greenblatt
Florence Goldstein

19 Kislev
Sunday, Nov. 29
Sara Stein
Joseph Siegel
Rose Cohn
Molly Urdangen
Harry Leman
Florence Lipsman

20 Kislev
Monday, Nov. 30
Bessie Jacobson
Ruth Gumbiner



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