

CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL  
at the TRI-CITY JEWISH CENTER

# CENTERITE NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2024/5784



## SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE of EVENTS



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Blending Tradition with Today

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Monday: 10 am - 4 pm  
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### *Rabbi*

Linda Bertenthal

### *President*

Lee Blumberg

### *Treasurer*

Zach Tansey

### *Secretary*

Lorrie Blumberg

### *Dues & Review*

Kris Cawley

Monday, September 2	<b>OFFICES CLOSED - LABOR DAY</b>	
Thursday, September 5	12:00 pm	Israel Discussion Group
Friday, September 6	6:30 pm	Temple Emanuel Shabbat Service
Saturday, September 7	9:00 am	Torah Study
Saturday, September 7	10:30 am	Beth Israel Shabbat Service
Sunday, September 8	9:00/10:00 am	Hebrew School / Joint Religious School
Sunday, September 8	1:00 pm	Cemetery History Walk
Friday, September 13	6:30 pm	Temple Emanuel Shabbat Service
Saturday, September 14	9:00 am	Torah Study
Saturday, September 14	10:30 am	Beth Israel Shabbat Service
Sunday, September 15	9:00/10:00 am	Hebrew School / Joint Religious School
Wednesday, September 18	12:00 pm	Nosh & Mingle
Thursday, September 19	12:00 pm	Israel Discussion Group
Thursday, September 19	TBD	Sari Greenberg Concert
Friday, September 20	6:30 pm	Temple Emanuel Shabbat Service
Saturday, September 21	9:00 am	Torah Study
Saturday, September 21	10:30 am	Beth Israel Shabbat Service
Sunday, September 22	9:00/10:00 am	Hebrew School / Joint Religious School
Friday, September 27	6:30 pm	Temple Emanuel Shabbat Service
Saturday, September 28	9:00 am	Torah Study
Saturday, September 28	10:30 am	Beth Israel Shabbat Service
Saturday, September 28	7:00 pm	S'lichot Program
Sunday, September 29	9:00/10:00 am	Hebrew School / Joint Religious School
Sunday, September 29	1:00 - 5:00 pm	Kevor Avot (See holiday schedule inside)
Sunday, September 29	3:30 pm	Café on Vine

**\*PLEASE NOTE, RYAN WILL BE ON VACATION  
AUGUST 27th - SEPTEMBER 5th**

### Robyn Eisenband-Strunk B'nei Mitzvah Practice Schedule

Robyn will be practicing for their upcoming B'nei Mitzvah on the following dates:

**Saturday, September 21**

**Friday, October 25**

**Saturday, November 2**

Please make every effort to attend these services to support Robyn!

# Rabbi's Message

## A Month to Prepare

This year, the month of September overlaps substantially with the Hebrew month of Elul, our month of preparation for the High Holy Days. If our congregation had daily minyans, we would hear shofar blasts every day (except Shabbat) throughout the month, as a wake-up call to do the work of Elul.

The work of Elul is the work of introspection. Even the first level of introspection is challenging: What have I done well, what have I gotten right this year that I should be sure to bring into the next year and build upon that strength? Where have I erred? When I have erred, how have I hurt myself, other individuals, the Jewish people, or God? From whom do I need forgiveness?



The second level is even tougher for many of us. Who has hurt me? What have I done to resolve this painful situation? Am I carrying a grudge? Can I safely move towards reconciliation? Will I be better off if I extend forgiveness, even if it is not deserved?

Towards the end of the month of Elul, our tradition gives us two opportunities to sharpen this work. The first is called Selichot, which means “pardons” or “prayers for forgiveness.” We gather on the Saturday night before Rosh Hashanah (September 28) and start our prayers for God’s forgiveness. But before our prayers, we will learn together about the benefits of engaging in forgiveness, from the two perspectives of modern science and ancient tradition.

Our second opportunity is called Kever Avot. We go to our local Jewish cemeteries and pray for our beloved dead whose remains are buried there. For those of us who have no one buried here in the Quad Cities, we go to support the mourners and to remember our own cherished people. There is nothing like honoring the dead to remind us of how they would want us to live, what their highest hopes were for us, and that can be an amazing spur to our work of introspection.

As I prepare for the High Holy Days, one of the things on my mind is what remembrance we owe to those who perished last October 7, as well as those who perished since then in the Gaza War. So that you can plan ahead, let me inform you now that the sanctuary will be open on October 7 with a memorial candle burning, so that you may come and pray or meditate. In addition, I will be adding remembrances to our liturgy for the day of Yom Kippur. I will share more precise information about that addition to our services shortly.

I wish you all a deeply meaningful month of Elul as we look towards sharing deeply meaningful High Holy Day services. Wake up!

L’shalom,

*Rabbi Linda*

## Center News



# Mazel Tov!

### Mazel Tov!

To Rachel Segal & Jacob Grund on the birth of their son, Joshua Gary, born on August 8, 2024. Mazel Tov to grandparents Randi Segal and the late Gary Segal.

### Mazel Tov!

To Ezekiel Aurelius on becoming a Bar Mitzvah on August 3rd, 2024.



# Mazel Tov!

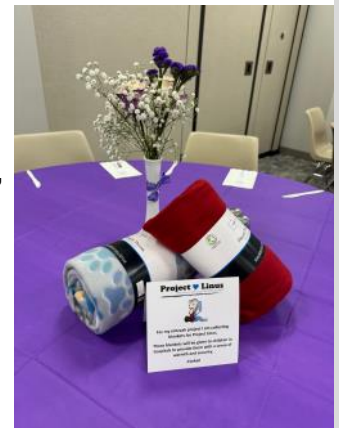
A BIG  
thank  
you



With the help of everyone in the community, we collected 2 dozen blankets that are ready to donate and enough fabric to make at least 10 additional blankets! Additionally, anyone who was not able to donate blankets or materials can always make a monetary donation on the Project Linus website.

<https://www.projectlinus.org/>

**-Ezekiel Aurelius**



### **Congregation Beth Israel extends our deepest sympathies to:**

- ★ Jack Rosenberg on the passing of Pam Rosenberg on August 16th, 2024. We extend our condolences to all of Pam's extended family and friends.



# High Holidays 2024

## *Holiday Flowers on the Bimah*

High Holidays are upon us!

We will again be memorializing your family members with beautiful flowers on the Bimah for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

Please let the office know if you have any additions or corrections to the family member you are remembering.

The contribution, as always, is \$75.00 for either Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur.

Please respond no later than **September 17th** to Ryan in the Center office.

We look forward to hearing from you and hope you have a joyous and safe holiday season!



### SECURITY PROTOCOL

We are looking forward to welcoming members and guests for the High Holy Days this year.

To keep our community safe, we are instituting the following new protocols:

- ★ Members are asked to pre-register any guests / nonmembers by calling or emailing the office in advance to place the names of the guests / nonmembers on the list.
- ★ We will have a complete list of members (and guests) to be used for check in. A table will be placed in the main entrance for us to welcome you.
- ★ We cannot allow backpacks or other large bags to be brought into the building. If you have a special need (e.g., baby supplies) please contact the office in advance.
- ★ We will have police security for the High Holy Day Services.

We are trying to be safe and welcoming;  
We wish everyone a wonderful and safe High Holidays!

# Center News

## Ezekiel Aurelius Bar Mitzvah on August 3rd, 2024





## Beit Shalom Happenings

### CLEAN UP THE YARD DAY AT BEIT SHALOM

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 AT NOON**

Mary Lind has so graciously kept our flowers blooming over the past 3 years with the help of our water volunteers.

We currently need a group of volunteers to do some weeding and clean up the flower beds. Once the clean-up is done, we will be putting down new mulch.

We are asking for volunteers to help on Sunday, September 15 at Noon. We anticipate completing this within 2 hours.

Please call Ryan or Charmaine to let them know if you can volunteer.

Sunday school students are welcome to help as long as a parent is with them.

Thank you very much!

*Congregation Beth Israel and Temple Emanuel*



## Beit Shalom Happenings

*JOIN US FOR AN EXCITING EVENING AT  
BEIT SHALOM WITH*

*Sari Greenberg*

*Thursday, September 19, 2024*

*Time: TBD*



*Sari Greenberg is a singer, songwriter, voice-over artist and actor who recently toured with the world renowned Irish group, the Celtic Angels.*

*Sari's past roles include Young Frankenstein (Elizabeth), Ring Of Fire (June Carter), and the national tour of Bad Romance, where she played Lady Gaga. Sari received a BFA in musical theatre from CCPA's theatre conservatory at Roosevelt University. Sari continues to tour with the critically acclaimed Israeli-American band, Soulfarm & Sari.*



# S'lichot

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024 @ 7:00 PM**

## Kevor Avot

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2024**

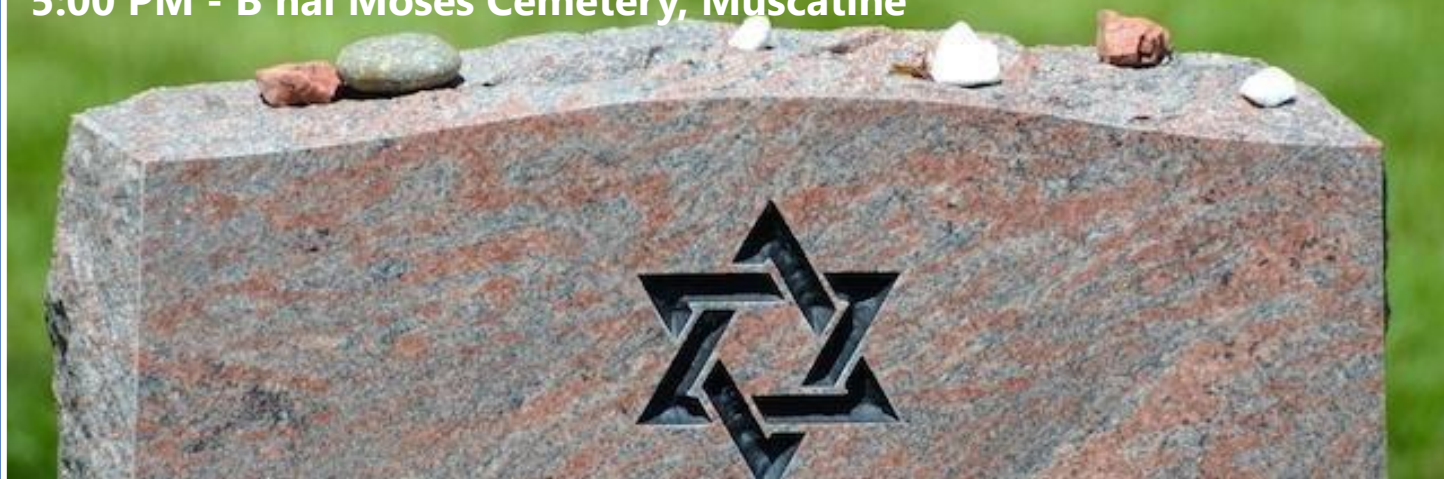
*We join together in person for services of remembrance for our loved ones.*

**1:00 PM - Mount Nebo Cemetery, Davenport**

**2:00 PM - Hebrew Cemetery, Rock Island**

**3:00 PM - Davenport Jewish Cemetery on Fairmont, Davenport**

**5:00 PM - B'nai Moses Cemetery, Muscatine**



### Candle Lighting Times

	<u>Parasha</u>	<u>Friday Night</u>	<u>Havdalah</u>
September 6 & 7	Shoftim	7:08 pm	8:06 pm
September 13 & 14	Ki Teitzei	6:56 pm	7:54 pm
September 20 & 21	Ki Tavo	6:44 pm	7:41 pm
September 27 & 28	Nitzavim-Vayeilech	6:32 pm	7:29 pm







# HIGH HOLY DAYS

## HHD Schedule 2024 - 5785

This year the High Holy Day Services will be held at Beit Shalom. All members of Congregation Beth Israel and Temple Emanuel are welcome to attend all the services scheduled below.

We look forward to celebrating the New Year together!

### **S'lichot - Program & Services**

Saturday, September 28 @ 7:00 pm - Program

### **Kevor Avot (In-person Only)**

Sunday, September 29  
@ 1:00 pm - Mount Nebo Cemetery, Davenport  
@ 2:00 pm - Hebrew Cemetery, Rock Island  
@ 3:00 pm - Davenport Jewish Cemetery on Fairmont, Davenport  
@ 5:00 pm - B'nai Mose Cemetery, Muscatine

### **Erev Rosh Hashanah**

#### **Temple Emanuel Minhag - Reform Prayer Books**

Wednesday, October 2 @ 7:00 pm - Evening Service

### **Rosh Hashanah Morning**

#### **Beth Israel Minhag - Conservative Prayer Books**

Thursday, October 3  
@ 9:00 am - Children's Service  
@ 9:30 am - Morning Service  
@ 4:00 pm - Tashlich Service at Leach Park  
"Casting Your Sins Away" (In-person only) (Prayer Handouts)

### **Rosh Hashanah Second Day**

#### **Beth Israel Minhag - Conservative Prayer Books**

Friday, October 4 @ 9:30 am - Morning Service

### **Kol Nidrei**

#### **Temple Emanuel Minhag - Reform Prayer Books**

Friday, October 11 @ 7:00 pm - Kol Nidrei Service

### **Yom Kippur**

#### **Beth Israel Minhag - Conservative Prayer Books**

Saturday, October 12  
@ 9:00 am - Children's Service  
@ 9:30 am - Morning Service, including Yizkor

### **Yom Kippur Afternoon**

#### **Temple Emanuel Minhag - Reform Prayer Books**

Saturday, October 12  
@ 4:00 pm - Afternoon Service, followed by Yizkor  
@ 6:00 pm (Approx.) N'ilah Service

# History Epitaph Walk 2024

The Congregation Beth Israel Special Events Committee is in the midst of planning a Living Jewish History Epitaph Walk that will take place on Sunday, September 8th (rain date will be September 15th) at the Rock Island Hebrew Cemetery.

This event will celebrate the lives and achievements of 8 members of our community and will be portrayed by costumed volunteers who will tell the story of some of our community's most memorable citizens.

The eight featured portrayals will be:

BEN FRIEDMAN

SUE GOLDEN

STANLEY GOLDMAN

CHARLES RAUCH

SAM SABLE

SAM & MOLLIE  
SLATERDOWSKY

JOCHEBED TRACTENBARG

**1 - 3 PM ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024**





# Crop Walk 2024

## 53rd Annual

Quad City Area

## CROP Hunger Walk

**CROP  
HUNGER WALK**  
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



Caxton Building/Bethany for  
Children & Families

1701 River Drive, Moline.

Parking available in building lot  
or across River Drive at 17<sup>th</sup>  
Street

Check-in from 1:00-2:00 pm

The walk will begin after announcements  
and prayer @ 2:15pm.

*Come Walk with Us!!!*

**Sunday October 6, 2024**

*Hello CROP Hunger Walkers!!*

*This year is our 53rd year fighting hunger at home and across the globe.  
Congratulations to you, who made this milestone possible!*

*Hunger remains a challenge globally and here within our own Quad Cities. In Scott County, 8.2% (14,370 people) are food insecure. The figures for Rock Island County are 10.9% (15,750 people). Thank you for your efforts to feed those in need.*

*Last year, close to \$10,000 of money raised remained in the Quad Cities...what can you do to increase that amount?*

*Let's step up in a grand way to make a difference in the world with the biggest CROP Hunger Walk ever! Thank you.*

***Your CROP Committee***

In 2023 we raised \$33,973.37 with 24 Teams.

In 2024, can we raise \$45,000 with 40 Teams??

We will be collecting Peanut Butter and Jelly again this year!! Please donate!

For more information, contact:

Event Coordinator: Jennifer Robb [jennarobb0430@yahoo.com](mailto:jennarobb0430@yahoo.com) 563-271-8872

Treasurer: Margie Froeschle [malilfrog@mchsi.com](mailto:malilfrog@mchsi.com) 563-340-1169

[www.crophungerwalk.org/quadcities](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/quadcities)

<https://www.facebook.com/qccropwalk/>

# September Yahrzeits

<b>28 Av</b> <b>Sunday, Sept. 1</b> Charlotte Cohn Pauline Deines	<b>3 Elul</b> <b>Friday, September 6</b> <b>4 Elul</b> <b>Saturday, Sept. 7</b> Ben Markovitch Ben Baumel Max Leman	<b>10 Elul</b> <b>Friday, Sept. 13</b> Sarah Zukerman <b>11 Elul</b> <b>Saturday, Sept. 14</b> Arnold Voolach Myer Morris Sue Friedman	<b>17 Elul</b> <b>Friday, Sept. 20</b> Bruce Vesole Bernie Weindruch <b>18 Elul</b> <b>Saturday, Sept. 21</b> Alexander George Koplow Max Levin Meyer Slivken	<b>24 Elul</b> <b>Friday, Sept. 27</b> Ethel Epstein Jacqueline Brotman Bessie Tart
<b>29 Av</b> <b>Monday, Sept. 2</b> Anna Crane Beatrice Weinstein	<b>5 Elul</b> <b>Sunday, Sept. 8</b> <b>6 Elul</b> <b>Monday, Sept. 9</b> Eva Falkovitch	<b>12 Elul</b> <b>Sunday, Sept. 15</b> Rose Cohn Sandy Rich	<b>19 Elul</b> <b>Sunday, Sept. 22</b> Morris Handelman William Brown	<b>25 Elul</b> <b>Saturday, Sept. 28</b> Louis Marks Julia Livingston Elroy Gellerman
<b>30 Av</b> <b>Tuesday, Sept. 3</b> Mark Klass <b>1 Elul</b> <b>Wednesday, Sept. 4</b> Rachel Rich Rachel Verger Rivie Learner	<b>7 Elul</b> <b>Tuesday, Sept. 10</b> Michael Conn <b>8 Elul</b> <b>Wednes., Sept. 11</b> <b>9 Elul</b> <b>Thursday, Sept 12</b> Anna Spector Augusta Drucker	<b>13 Elul</b> <b>Monday, Sept. 16</b> Ralph Brock Al Kovitz Hada Ginsburg Martin Galex <b>14 Elul</b> <b>Tuesday, Sept. 17</b> Michael Deines Sima Frumkin Joseph Goldman Samuel Karon Rabbi Melvin Strulowitz Joseph Wiss Iris Lipkowitz Steven Vinar	<b>20 Elul</b> <b>Monday, Sept. 23</b> Meyer Schutman Dr. Edward Miller Mary Rosenberg Sidney Lipkowitz Robert Black <b>21 Elul</b> <b>Tuesday, Sept. 24</b> Rosy Hollander Armin Hollander Ben Friedman Gerald Bender Perry Cohn Albert Dockterman Max Weissman	<b>26 Elul</b> <b>Sunday, Sept. 29</b> Aline Gordon <b>27 Elul</b> <b>Monday, Sept. 30</b> Herman Goldstein Shalom Whitebook David Ziffren Eva Meyer Tillie Newman Sadie Schwartz Seidel Roz Manson Barbara Singer Stanley Harris
<b>2 Elul</b> <b>Thursday, Sept. 5</b> Ben Harris Libby Ringler Irving Levin		<b>15 Elul</b> <b>Wednes., Sept. 18</b> Louis Wiesman Marillyn Sax <b>16 Elul</b> <b>Thursday, Sept. 19</b> Lewis Sax Rabbi Solomon Levitan Faye Hollander	<b>22 Elul</b> <b>Wednes., Sept. 25</b> Rebecca Schneidman <b>23 Elul</b> <b>Thursday, Sept. 26</b> Anna Levin Arthur Feldman	

In Jewish tradition there are stages of mourning, which help a person through the process of grieving. Many synagogues, including ours, also have customs that help facilitate remembering your loved one.

*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.

