Community Chanukah Celebration

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Tuesday, December 25th

4th Annual Movie & Chinese

Join in the fourth annual iteration of this fun tradition. On Tuesday, December 25 we’ll gather at 4 pm to watch a movie together. We will have an Israeli movie with English subtitles for adults, along with a family-friendly alternative. Following the films, we will enjoy a delicious Chinese buffet. The cost of the evening is $15 per adult, $10 per child, with no family paying more than $50. Please RSVP by visiting https://tinyurl.com/sina1225. Your RSVP is essential to ensure that we have sufficient food.

Schedule of Services

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7
5:30 PM  Erev Shabbat First Friday Service & Dinner

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8
10:00 AM  Egalitarian Traditional Minyan

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14
7:30 PM  Erev Shabbat Service

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21
5:30 PM  Shabbat Rocks!/Next Dor
7:30 PM  Erev Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22
10:00 am  Egalitarian Traditional Minyan

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28
7:30 PM  Erev Shabbat Service

The Office will be CLOSED

Tuesday, December 25th
& Tuesday, January 1st

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Sinai Temple Bulletin  December 2018 ~ Kislev/Tevet 5779
Usually, it is November, not December, which brings us feelings of gratitude and thanksgiving. And yet it is now that I find myself reflecting on the many blessings that our congregation reaps from our broader C-U community.

On Saturday, October 27, a gunman entered Tree of Life Congregation in Pittsburgh where three different congregations were gathering for Shabbat services. In a matter of minutes he committed horrific murders, in what the Anti-Defamation League has called the most heinous single anti-Semitic act in American history. Of course, we mourn for Irving Younger, Melvin Wax, Rose Mallinger, Bernice Simon, Sylvan Simon, Jerry Rabinowitz, Joyce Fienberg, Richard Gottfried, Daniel Stein, Cecil Rosenthal, and David Rosenthal, the precious souls cut down in that awful violence. But we also honor their legacies by ensuring that decency, kindness, and Jewish pride prevail in the face of such darkness and hate.

On that Saturday evening, we gathered here at Sinai Temple for an evening of prayer and memory. It was hastily arranged, but well attended by our strong community, who have learned over our long history how to come together and embrace one another in an hour of need. Also in attendance was a woman who lives nearby Sinai, who saw us gathering and felt compelled to join us in solidarity. That would be only the beginning.

Monday morning I sat in my office trying to pull myself away from the news and get some work done. Someone knocked on the back door of my office, having been buzzed in by our staff. It was Thom, a gentleman from one of the local churches whom I’ve gotten to know through interfaith work. He said simply, “I don’t know what to say.” We embraced one another, tears welling in our eyes.

After Thom came the flowers, the emails, the phone calls: the Methodist community, the Presbyterian community, the Lutheran community, the United Church of Christ community. Unitarians, Hindus, Baha’i, and Muslims. Historic African-American congregations. “What can we do for you?” “How can we join with you?” “Please know we stand together.” As I write this nearly three weeks after that awful day, the messages continue to arrive. Prayer flags from children and families at Wesley United Methodist Church. Individual greeting cards sent by people of all faith backgrounds (or even no faith background) whose hearts ache along with ours.

Friday evening came, and our already energetic First Friday was enhanced by the presence of guests from many of these communities. Heeding the call begun by the AJC (American Jewish Committee) and amplified by congregations across the country, more than 120 individuals decided to #ShowUpForShabbat. We were packed in wall-to-wall as our house band Shir Electricity joined me in leading our worship. I was particularly touched by the presence of more than a dozen individuals, including the imam, from Central Illinois Mosque and Islamic Center (CIMIC), who joined us for our prayers and then adjourned to our library for their own evening prayers. Saturday morning’s ETM service was also well-attended, as people continued to seek the warmth and comfort of community and spiritual connectedness during this dark time.

But ultimately, I don’t think people showed up because of a hashtag, or an invitation from me, or a Facebook post. I think people showed up because of relationships. These will prove strong and bear fruit, we pray, not only in times of sorrow but also in times of celebration. Indeed, we’ve opened our doors in recent years for our Interfaith Seder each spring, and Sinai members have attended Iftar meals at CIMIC, and educational and cultural programs at other faith institutions in our community. By building such bridges, we mitigate against the xenophobia, racism, and bigotry that can arise when we don’t take the time to know one another. Certainly, differences will surface—cultural, political, theological—but we can learn to set aside these differences to recognize the central beauty and dignity implanted within each of us.

We are now in the darkest season of the calendar year. But by reaching out to our neighbors, and by allowing ourselves to be held in their loving embrace, we can bring brightness and hope into our world.

L’shalom,

Rabbi Alan Cook
We will shortly be celebrating Hanukkah, the Jewish Festival of Lights, which commemorates the rededication of the Second Temple. Syrian emperor Antiochus captured the Temple in 167 BCE and profaned Judaism and the Temple in various ways, including forbidding circumcision, erecting an altar to Zeus in the Temple, and ordering pigs to be sacrificed on the altar. Jews who did not comply were executed. These actions precipitated a full-scale revolt by the Maccabees, who eventually succeeded in driving the Syrians out of the Temple in 165 BCE. In order to rededicate the Temple, the priests needed to cleanse it of all profanation, create a new altar and new holy vessels, and burn an oil lamp every night. They discovered that only a single flask of consecrated olive oil remained, just enough to burn for one night. It would take an additional week to prepare fresh olive oil, before it could be used in the Temple. The priests burned the existing oil, and, instead of it running out after the first night, it burned for eight nights, until the new oil was available for use. It is this miracle that we celebrate during Hanukkah. Let us apply our own efforts to rededicate our Temple as the Maccabees did, not with oil, but with our commitment and our contributions. Let the lights we kindle illuminate our Temple for generations to come!

As you know, in the wake of the awful events at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh on October 27, Sinai Temple has undertaken to examine our own emergency preparedness and take steps to make ourselves more secure. To that end, the Board of Trustees invited Lt. Mark Vogelzang of the Champaign Police Department to meet with us in a special session on November 1 to discuss best practices. In addition, I have convened a new Security Committee and Task Force to study how we can improve our security, and they will shortly report back to the Board on their findings. I want to stress that, while our level of danger has not increased as a result of the Pittsburgh massacre, there are some commonsense measures we can take to make us safer. The committee is drawing on the experience of synagogues, churches, mosques, and schools both from across the country and within our own community, as well as law enforcement.

I have never felt so proud of our community as I did on Friday, November 2, when over 100 people arrived at our doors to celebrate with us the first Shabbat after the Pittsburgh tragedy. There were representatives from the Central Illinois Mosque and Islamic Center and several area churches, many of whom said they had never before set foot in a synagogue, who came to join us for services and demonstrate their solidarity with Sinai Temple and the Jewish community. We are truly blessed to live in a community like Champaign-Urbana that cherishes and celebrates both unity and diversity! I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who joined us that evening. It was an amazing event!

Some security measures have already been instituted, including, until further notice, locking all Temple doors at all times. I want to thank members of the Board and others who have volunteered to be at the doors to welcome people arriving at the Temple. Additional measures to ensure our safety will be taken and announced soon.

See you in Temple!
At our Family Education Program on November 18, we had a tremendous turnout and several activities. The theme was prayer. Prayer can be challenging because, for many people, a personal concept of God is always developing. At our Family Education Program, parents and children played games, wrote short stories and made stuffed animals. Each activity had a set up that gave some information about prayer and while doing the activity, whether it was playing Jenga or playing with Play-Doh, the playing involved prayer. For those who were not able to attend, and for those who might want a recap:

1. Prayer is considered “work”. Avodah is the name that the Rabbis assign to prayer. We are working or serving God when we pray.

2. There are three types of prayer. Petitionary—asking God for something. Thanksgiving – thanking God for something. Praise—giving praise to God for miracles.

3. Prayers can be long or short. Short prayers are one line prayers (like hamotzi). Long prayers have an introduction, a middle section and a conclusion.

4. Prayers can be standardized, like the prayers in our siddur (prayer book) or they can be spontaneous and from the heart. We can prayer with KEVA (following the script, using the siddur) or KAVANAH (with intention and sincere feeling).

The Rabbis teach in the Talmud that we should say 100 blessings a day. It sounds like a lot, but consider all the moments that we can prayer. We can offer prayers when we wake up, eat, see something beautiful, experience something for the first time, use the restroom, complete something . . . the list is endless!

This Word Cloud is the result of one of the activities from Family Education. Each family was encouraged to make a list of words that they think of when they think about prayer. The more popular words are in larger font, but the diversity of words is inspiring and makes me think about all of the ways that members of our community understand prayer.

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**DATES TO KNOW:**

| RELIGIOUS/HEBREW SCHOOL DATES: |
| Sundays: December 2, 9 |
| Wednesdays: December 5, 12 |

| SHABBAT ROCKS!/NEXT DOR: |
| Friday, December 21 |

| CHRISTMAS GIFT WRAP |
| Please consider helping on December 24 or any other day leading up to Christmas. Wrapping takes place at Marketplace Mall and benefits Habitat for Humanity. It is great to wrap, especially on Christmas Eve day! See sign up information on page 6 or contact Rabbi Jody. |

**MENORAH CONTEST**

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Announcements

ADULT EDUCATION
Sundays, 11:30 AM–12:30 PM
On most Sundays when Religious School is in session, we are pleased to offer our Adult Education. Classes are open to the entire community, regardless of whether you have a student enrolled in Sinai Temple Religious School. Come grab a cup of coffee from Sinai Cafe, and enjoy learning with your friends.

BOOK GROUP
Monday, December 17th, 7:30 PM

GENTLE CHAIR YOGA
Tuesdays, 10:45 AM to 11:30 AM
SHALOM! Please come and try your first class for free! People have said the class is calming, refreshing and provides a nice, gentle stretch and great start to their day.

Be sure to let Robin know that you are coming by email robinfans1@gmail.com or by phone 217-367-8053.

TORAH STUDY
Saturdays, 9:00 AM
The Sinai Temple Torah Study Group meets in the Sinai Temple Library, and all are welcome to attend our stimulating lay-led discussions. Throughout 5779, we will begin exploring the entirety of the Tanakh, not just the Torah. Newcomers are welcome to come study with us!

VIMs
Thursday, December 6th at 11:45 AM
Calling all women 55 and older, come join us for lunch and fellowship at Houlihan’s in Champaign. We meet the first Thursday of the month. If you would like to join us, please email Astrid Berkson at astridjb@comcast.net.

MEN’S SHELTER MEALS
Sinai Temple will be providing meals for two one week periods for the men's shelter again this year. Meals will be made on Sunday, December 16th and again on January 6th in the Davis Chapel (10 AM–2 PM). We need people to help make sandwiches, bag vegetables and put the lunches together. It is a fun few hours and really does make a difference for the individuals who are receiving the food.

To volunteer, please call Leanna Cossman at 217-378-5155, if you would like to donate financially, the funds will be utilized to help purchase the food items. If you would like to donate food please call and you will be assigned an item to be brought to the Temple before the lunch making date.

Men's socks and underwear are always needed as well.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email and thank you in advance for your support.

Leanna Cossman and the Social Action Committee

Mazal tov to Joshua Weichsel, son of Paul and Linda Weichsel, on being admitted to the bar in Minnesota.

Mazal tov to Leanna Cossman, for earning her Master of Nursing Degree from Western Governor’s University.

Mazal tov to Bryn Gerwin for receiving a National Merit commendation at Centennial High School and to Bryn Gerwin, Audrey Adelston, Edan Elazar, Jake Rosenbaum, and Isaac Soloveychik for earning academic letters at Centennial High School.

Mazal tov to Judge Randy Rosenbaum for winning re-election to the 6th Judicial Circuit.

Mazal tov to Alex Scheeline & Alice Berkson on the marriage of their daughter Dorothy Scheeline to Nathan Pollard.

EASTERN ILLINOIS FOOD BANK UPDATE
Thank you to everyone who contributed with food or monetary gifts to the Eastern Illinois Food Bank during Yom Kippur. There was a total of $6,740 and 414 pounds of food collected—enough to provide 34,045 meals for local individuals and families.
Announcements

BENEFIT FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Sinai Temple has been a vital part of Habitat Gift Wrapping at Market Place mall in the past.

For those of you who love to indulge in the spirit of giving, gift wrapping is the perfect volunteer opportunity!

If you have some time on Monday, December 24 as we have done in the past, or in the upcoming days before Christmas, could you please help us for a few hours?

All monies earned at the gift wrapping booths go directly into building homes, building hope, and building a stronger community.

Wear your holiday best, your ugly sweaters, and bring your holiday cheer. All shifts still need to be filled. Let me know if you can make one of those shifts and if you have friends to bring!

Thank you so much for the gift of your time! Please feel free to share this invitation with anyone you know who may be interested as well.

You can register for a shift directly from our website volunteer page: https://habitchampaign.volunteerhub.com/

THERE IS STILL TIME to donate to the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Program Fund.

If you would like to contribute to this worthwhile and local cause, please make your check payable to Sinai Temple and indicate MLK Fund in the memo line.

Save The Date

Saturday, February 23rd, 7:15 pm

TRIVIA NIGHT Fundraiser
Thank You Meals on Wheels Volunteers for your time and service.

Tony Soskin – Coordinator
Larry Adelston & Katherine Coyle
Judy Bach
Carol & Carl Belber
Charles Blair and Joan Friedman
Alice Berkson and Alex Scheeline
Dov Cohen
Susan Cohen
Bill & Reva Egherman
Ann Einhorn
Joyce Eisenstein
Natalie Frankenberg
Diane Gottheil
Michael Jay
Paula Kaufman
Eileen Kohen
Craig Koslofsky & Dana Rabin
Daniel & Eileen Lichtblau
Louis Liebovich
Jacki Loewenstein
Robert Manaster
Leslie & Gary Mason
Alan & Jane Nathan
Rob & Diane Ore
Julia & Gene Robinson
Marganit Rotman
Ann Sapoznik
Judy Siess
Avigail Snir
Penny & Tony Soskin
Ellen Swengel
Buddi Tepper
Nancy Tepper
Bette & John van Es
Lynn & Ira Wachtel
Linda Weiner
Kathryn Weisbaum
Janie Yairi

Sinai Temple Gift Shop
(All Gift Shop profits go to support the Religious School)

20% OFF all Menorahs
Open December 2nd for last minute needs; Candles, Dreidels and Gelt

WE WILL BE CLOSED FOR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL WINTER BREAK
December 13th–January 15th

REGULAR HOURS OF OPERATION
Sundays 9:00 AM–1:00 PM
(during Religious School)
Wednesdays 4:00 PM–5:30 PM
(during Hebrew School)

But we are ALWAYS open by APPOINTMENT.
Email: nataliefr@comcast.net
Natalie Frankenberg (390-4168)
Jessica Kopolow (417-8699)
Pam Olson (384-4335).
Cash or checks are always welcome. Credit cards accepted for charges over $25. We now accept Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover using SQUARE.

FIRST FRIDAY—DECEMBER 7TH
Join us for an early Shabbat service at 5:30 PM on December 7th, followed by a delicious dinner and a chance to visit with all of your Sinai Temple friends. Please RSVP at https://sinaicu.wufoo.com/forms/s1ljw1zh0xm0f40/ or call the Temple office 352-8140. If you can help Rabbi Alan in the kitchen let him know by emailing him at rabbialan@sinaitemplecu.org.

**Bulletin Submission:** The deadline to submit information for the January Bulletin is December 15th. All submissions may be edited for length and content. **EMAIL submissions to:** Roxanna Davison, assistant@sinaitemplecu.org.
The Sinai Renovation Committee (SRC) was appointed by the Board of Trustees to work with Ratio (our architects) to plan and oversee the improvements to the Sanctuary, pods, Levin Lounge, and front entrance. During November, the Board and SRC met with Ratio to plan the schedule, which plans for construction starting after Simchat Torah next fall—so October 23, 2019 or later.

Congregational visioning meetings are in December, but the date is not confirmed at this time. Please stay tuned for e-mails and announcements from the bimah.

For this new phase of the renovation, the SRC added members. Our members are: Carol Belber, Laura Bleill, Alan Cook, Jody Cook, Melanie Dankowicz, Shira Epstein, Natalie Frankenberg, Sanford Hess, Larry Kanfer, Jessica Kopolow, Wynne Korr, Rob Ore, Julia Rietz, Susan Schomer, Art Siegel, Jake Sosnoff, and Rosalind Weinberg.

For the planning phase, the SRC is splitting into two subcommittees: Design and Electronics. The earlier stages of the design will focus on where things go, which will be refined later into how they look. Our Architects will produce three sets of designs, each progressively more detailed. Meanwhile we must plan the sound, projection, and mechanical systems.

2019 will be busy for the SRC, with many meetings and hard decisions. Members of the SRC have shown tremendous dedication for all of 2018, and these last few months will be the hardest of all. Look for more updates soon.

Sanford Hess, SRC Chair
Foundation for the Future

Yesod L’atid

The Campaign for Sinai Temple

You have heard about the congregation embarking on a renovation to build the foundation for the future. As you can see from the message from Sanford Hess, the Renovation Committee is working hard to move this project forward. The fund-raising committee is also hard at work laying the groundwork for the Foundation for the Future, Yesod L’atid, campaign. We will roll out the fundraising process in January. We are very thankful for those who have already made pledges and gifts to get the process started.

We are guided by the history of Sinai Temple and a vision for its future. Beyond being the oldest and largest Jewish institution in the community, Sinai Temple is the center for Jewish life in Champaign-Urbana. It is our home for worship and Jewish education, for concerts and lectures, for discussions and debates, for communal celebration of simchas and healing of sorrows, and for sharing traditions with our fellow faith communities.

We are a community that values its diversity – diversity of age, ethnicity, gender, and experience. Whether a long-time member or someone new to the congregation, we all have favorite memories of special moments and services in the sanctuary. We look forward to making new ones.

Our goal is to raise $800,000 so that our key spaces will be warm, welcoming, and inclusively Jewish. At this preliminary stage of the campaign, we are getting pledges from a few hundred dollars to many thousands. Every gift matters. Watch for announcements in January. We will have information in future bulletins, the webpage, and in email blasts.

We will be contacting you in the next few months. In the meantime, feel free to contact a committee member (see below).

Wynne Korr, chair; Committee members: Erez Cohen, Shari Fox, Bart Greenberger and Paula Kaufman.
Giving

BUILDING FUND
Melissa & Timothy Cronin
Yael Gertner & Mahesh Viswanathan
Ben & Michelle Hankin
Jay Rosenstein

FLOWER FUND
Bernice & Laurence Lieberman, in gratitude to Rosalind Weinberg for the embroidered torah covers whose beauty enhances our service in every season.

GENERAL FUND
Arnold & Rita Blockman
Julia Kling, in memory of Leah Norian
Gary & Fraeda Porton
Veronica Shavitt, in memory of Michael Neuwirth
Myron & Sonya Sholem, in memory of William Sholem and in memory of Bessie Siegal

KITCHEN/ONEG FUND
Melissa & Timothy Cronin
Loretta Dessen
Yael Gertner & Mahesh Viswanathan
Eugene Greenberg
Ben & Michelle Hankin
Sheila Reed

MARTIN LUTHER KING SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Marc & Frances Ansel
Ronald Chabot
Harold & Nancy Diamond
William & Reva Egherman
Ann Einhorn
Natalie Frankenberg
Paula Kaufman
Ira & Cecile Lebenson
Benjamin & Jessica LeRoy
Lee & Evan Melhado
Barbara Orden
Gary & Fraeda Porton
Randy & Jill Rosenbaum
Alex Scheelene & Alice Berkson
Myron & Sonya Sholem
Marc & Avigail Snir
Edward & Nancy Tepper
Judith & Steve Ullom
Michael & Lila Vodkin
Ira & Lynn Wachtel, in honor of Leslie Mason for the important work she has done to educate the children of Champaign and her ongoing volunteer efforts on behalf of the entire community.
Barry & Linda Weiner

PLAYGROUND FUND
Crystal Newman, in honor of Jakob Smith’s birthday from Anna Newman

RABBI’S DISCRETIONARY FUND
Richard & Shirley Newman, in memory of Harold Miller and in memory of Molly Newman

THANKSGIVING BASKETS FUND
Carl & Carol Belber
Susan Cohen & George Monahan
William & Reva Egherman
Don & Joyce Francisco
Natalie Frankenberg
Sandra Hynds
Jennifer Klatsky
Paul & Susan Schomer
Myron & Sonya Sholem
William & Fran Strauss
Buddi Tepper
Maury & Janis Topolosky

Please send your donations made payable to Sinai Temple. Only donations of $15.00 or more per fund and honoree will be listed in the Bulletin.

This listing only reflects donations received through mid-October. Donations received after this date will be acknowledged in future Bulletins.

THE END OF THE CALENDAR YEAR IS FAST APPROACHING. All donations to Sinai Temple postmarked December 31, 2018, will be credited to your account for the 2018 tax year. In January, the office will mail out IRS contribution letters for all contributions made during 2018. If you have not yet made a pledge for FY2018-19, it would be greatly appreciated. Knowing how much people plan to donate helps us meet our budgetary goals. We wish you and your family a joyous New Year!
### Adding memorials to your membership record

Adding memorials to your membership record is simple. Just call the Temple office 217-352-8140 or email us at stoffice@sinaitemplecu.org and let us know the name of the deceased, their relationship to you, and the secular or Hebrew date you wish to observe their yahrzeit. If you are unable to attend services and wish to reschedule the observance, please let us know a few days in advance.

#### Friday, December 7
- Annette Sudman Baich (8 Dec)
- Harriet Mae Davis (12 Dec)
- Ethel Depper (5 Tev)
- Doris Dorman Feinberg (9 Dec)
- Pesselle Rothenberg Friedman (2 Tev)
- Jewel Berenson Friend (12 Dec)
- Norma Klein (10 Dec)
- Ethel Lesht (9 Dec)
- Rebecca Rubenstein Blockman (18 Dec)
- Rosa B. Bower (19 Dec)
- Gilford Currier (17 Dec)
- Frances Dessen (18 Dec)
- Florence Zibel Dooley (18 Dec)
- Frieda Forst (18 Dec)
- Rabbi Benjamin M. Frankel (21 Dec)
- Frada Green (21 Dec)
- Jacob Benjamin Hamburg (15 Dec)
- Audrey Rezits Huber (21 Dec)
- Phillip C. Katz (18 Dec)
- Joseph Kuhn (15 Dec)
- Jewel Kurland (19 Dec)
- Sally Levitt (20 Dec)
- Joseph Levy (19 Dec)
- Natalie Yawitz Levy (16 Dec)
- Marilyn Libman (16 Dec)
- Morris Olefsky (18 Dec)
- Clare Herman Perkel (20 Dec)
- Rose L. Prince (16 Dec)
- Judith Rosencranz (15 Dec)

#### Friday, December 14
- Ruth B. Ades (23 Dec)
- Jack Birnbaum (25 Dec)
- Abraham Braverman (20 Tev)
- Nathan H. Cohen (28 Dec)
- Morris Dessen (24 Dec)
- Bette Jane Dunn (27 Dec)
- Abe Egherman (16 Tev)
- Nata Fleys (28 Dec)
- Lilia Gaptov (22 Dec)
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#### Friday, December 21
- Joseph C. Aub (30 Dec)
- Adrienne Merkel Berenbaum (29 Dec)
- Johanna Braunfeld (3 Jan)
- Boris Brotherson (4 Jan)
- Sylvia Bursztyn (23 Tev)
- Ruth Herman Garfinkel (3 Jan)
- Tamar Gershoni (23 Tev)
- Stanley Gordon (4 Jan)
- Jean Eva Ginsberg (25 Dec)
- Arthur Golub (22 Dec)
- Helen S. Golub (25 Dec)
- Evelyne J. Helgesen (23 Dec)
- Rachel Korman (14 Tev)
- Bobbie Rudolph Kulwin (25 Dec)
- Ruth Lasker (28 Dec)
- Robert Marshak (23 Dec)
- Dr Isaac Morhaim (16 Tev)

#### Friday, December 28
- Milton Gorodetsky (24 Tev)
- Belle Halpern (1 Jan)
- Mort Heller (27 Tev)
- Elsa Klaiman (1 Jan)
- Jeanette Cohen Levy (1 Jan)
- Leo Lewis (30 Dec)
- Dena Linado (4 Jan)
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- Adrienne Merkel Berenbaum (29 Dec)
- Johanna Braunfeld (3 Jan)
- Boris Brotherson (4 Jan)
- Sylvia Bursztyn (23 Tev)
- Ruth Herman Garfinkel (3 Jan)
- Tamar Gershoni (23 Tev)
- Stanley Gordon (4 Jan)
- Milton Gorodetsky (24 Tev)
- Belle Halpern (1 Jan)
- Mort Heller (27 Tev)
- Elsa Klaiman (1 Jan)
- Jeanette Cohen Levy (1 Jan)
- Leo Lewis (30 Dec)
- Dena Linado (4 Jan)
- Sidney Sinow (31 Dec)
- Maybelle Solon (3 Jan)
- Marvin Phillip Steinberg (26 Tev)
- Sol Tax (4 Jan)
- Isaac Tepper (1 Jan)
- Harry A. Topolosky (2 Jan)
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