

## Yahrzeits this week

### Dec 26 - 11 Tevet

Max Becker  
Eva Bovilsky  
Florence K. Brenner  
Charles Dann  
Rylan Gelb  
Elaine Gentner  
Carole Hartzman  
Lewis Jaffe  
Victor Lazar  
Beatrice Rohde  
Harriet Rosen  
Stephen Rothblatt  
Nancy Strauss  
David Weinstein  
Dr Samuel D Werch

### Dec 27 - 12 Tevet

Irv Donn  
Emily Ann Dorfman  
Marvin Fox  
Stanley Franklin  
Ruth Gold  
Harvey R. Gold  
Simon Good  
Minnie Rose Graff  
Zelda J. Leibovitz  
Percy Lev  
George Mayster  
Lillian S Rivkin  
Larry M Rosengard  
Harriet Sear  
Mary Tuteur  
Bella Winokur

### Dec 28 - 13 Tevet

Harold Blitstein  
Sherwin Freidin  
Esther Halpern  
Esther Kassab  
Henry Kristal  
Max Malin  
Sol Nadler  
Pearl Sak  
Thomas Schneider  
Aaron Stolberg

### Dec 29 - 14 Tevet

Sadie Bass  
Robert Camp  
Gerald Jerry"" Cole  
Jacob Dubofsky  
Frieda Goldman  
Steven J Gross  
Martin Jacobson  
Shirley Johnson  
Harry Kahn  
Harriet Mandel  
Francine A. Schwartz  
Shandel Taksin  
Jacob Wadler

### Dec 30 - 15 Tevet

Philly Baer  
Emma Klein  
Maurice Klein  
Flora Miller  
Bella Newman  
Natalie Peiser  
Melvin Ross  
Moshe Yashar

### Dec 31 - 16 Tevet

Irwin Bizar  
Rose Ein  
Miriam Elbaum  
Lila Friedman  
Samuel Glotzer  
Barbara Goldman  
Celia Goldstein  
David Maltz  
Leonard Nattenheimer  
Patricia Newman  
Ralph Novak  
Robert Oppman  
Henry Stern  
Frank Weiss  
Jerome Yale

### Jan 1 - 17 Tevet

Hilda Abrahams  
Rose Shechtman  
Greenberg  
Ryan B Hall  
Sanford Hirsch  
Arthur J Lindenberg  
Clara Medvin  
Marshall M. Miller  
Adel Samuelson  
Ronald Schultz  
Jerry Shaftal  
Miriam Shay  
Jack L. Simon  
Jerome N. Weiland

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CONGREGATION  
BETH SHALOM

Shabbat Vayigash

## Shabbat Shalom and Welcome to Congregation Beth Shalom!

We seek to enrich the lives of our congregation through ever-evolving ideals of observance, life-long learning, and acts of kindness from this generation to the next. We are committed to meeting the spiritual, educational and social needs of our members through the practice of Conservative Judaism in an all-inclusive manner. We seek to encourage involvement and create a sense of belonging by serving our community, the Jewish people, and the State of Israel.

We hope you enjoy worshiping with us. Following services, please join us for kiddush luncheon and introduce yourself so we may personally greet you.

**Rabbi Aaron Melman • Cantor Steven Stoehr • Rabbi Warner Ferratier**  
**Tanya Solomon, President • Rabbi Carl Wolkin, Emeritus**

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If you are interested in being a part of our community, please contact Susan Karlinsky, Executive Director.



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### Thought to Ponder:

When Joseph reveals himself, the brothers worry that he will want to get revenge. What does their reaction reveal about them?

### Schedule of Online

#### Daily Minyanim

Sunday & secular holidays @ 8:45 AM  
Monday - Friday @ 7:45 AM  
Sunday-Thursday @ 7:45 PM

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## This Week's Parashah

Joseph still has not revealed his identity. At the end of last week's reading, Joseph tells the brothers that Benjamin must remain with him in Egypt as a slave after he had been found with Joseph's missing silver goblet. Judah explains that Jacob would die of grief if Benjamin remained in Egypt and offers to take Benjamin's place. Joseph is overwhelmed by the brothers' compassion for their father and each other - much changed from the brothers who sold him into slavery. At last, he reveals himself and the brothers are fearful that Joseph will now take revenge on them. But Joseph assures them that everything that happened was part of God's plan. Joseph wants his family to join him in Egypt so that he can provide for them during the famine. When Pharaoh learns that "Joseph's brothers have come," he too invites Jacob and the others to settle in Egypt. Before leaving Canaan, Jacob is visited by God in a dream. God promises to be with him in Egypt, and will also eventually bring him back up to Israel. After a tearful reunion with Jacob, Joseph settles his family in Goshen. The Torah reading concludes: "Thus Israel settled in the country of Egypt, in the region of Goshen; they acquired holdings in it, and were fertile and increased greatly." The grammar of the Hebrew suggests a transition for the descendants of Jacob (Israel). The verb "settled" is singular, thus referring to the individual Israel (Jacob); the second half of the sentence is entirely in plural, referring to Jacob's offspring and their families as they emerge from being merely an extended family to the national entity that we call "*B'nai Yisrael*"—the Israelites.

## Today's Haftarah

Ezekiel is speaking to the Jewish people exiled in Babylonia just after his famous vision of the Valley of Dry Bones, in which he speaks of a national resurrection. In our Haftarah, God instructs Ezekiel to take two sticks and to write upon each of them. On the first: "For Judah and the children of Israel, his companions." On the second: "For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim and all the house of Israel associated with it." The prophet is to bring these two sticks together as a demonstration to the people that all twelve tribes of Israel will be reunited. God also promises that once the Jewish people are reestablished in the Land of Israel, He will make with them a covenant of peace. Both the Torah reading and the Haftarah have strong themes of reunification. In the Torah reading, Joseph is reunited with his family. In the Haftarah, God promises the reunification of the Northern and Southern Kingdoms.

## Congregational Gifts for S'machot

B'nai Mitzvah receive gifts from the congregation, Sisterhood, Men's Club, JUF, the Youth Commission and Rochelle Zell Jewish High School.

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## Synagogue Etiquette

*In keeping with the spirit of Shabbat and to respect your fellow worshipers, please refrain from taking photographs, smoking and writing. If you must be accessible, please set your phone on silent. Please do not use your cell phone anywhere inside the building.*

**If you have any questions, please see one of our volunteer Shabbat Ambassadors or Greeters.**

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