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### **Service Times**

August 30 ..... 7:13 pm

All Saturday Morning Services are at 9:30 a.m.
Friday Evenings - 5:30 p.m.

Tisha B'Av is Monday evening August 12 and all day Tuesday, August 13 (no candles). Service ties TBA



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# **GAME DAYS**

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# From Rabbi Krauss

More than three thousand years ago the Prophet Balaam overlooking the Israelite people under Moses exclaimed "a people not to be reckoned among the nations." – Number 23:9.

The uniqueness of the Jewish experience has been remarkable. For example, Israel, roughly the size of New Jersey with a combined population of less than ten million, has drawn an outsized portion of the world's headlines over the past eight months. It is the war in Gaza. College campus after college campus in this country and world-wide have been the scenes of anti-Israel demonstrations.

The other war in Ukraine began with an unprovoked invasion by Russia. The war in Gaza began with the October 7th massacre by Hamas. Where were the demonstrations against Russia? Where were the demonstrations against the Syrian government when far more casualties than Gaza happened?

Jews have been accused of poisoning wells and making matzo with children's blood to trying to take over the world. This is despite the contributions of Jews to humanity from religion to medicine.

When Time Magazine chose the major personality of the 20th Century – it was not Roosevelt or Churchill it was a Jewish man, Albert Einstein. This is remarkable when we consider that Jews make up less than 1% of the world's population.



# Synagogue News



Mazel Tov to Evie & Allen Kleiner on the birth of their granddaughter.

Many thanks for a generous donation from **Sid Jacoby** on the Bat Mitzvah of his daughter and Mazel Tov to the entire Jacoby family.

Mazel Tov to Alexa Staley on her conversion to Judaism and along with her fiance Josh Fuimano as they await the birth of Baby Talia.

### HAZZAN NOTES



Summertime is fun at Beth El. June 28 is our first Beach Service behind Ventnor Library. It's best in person with all the summer people in town plus local friends, but zoom is still an option (Beth El link). The two other



Beach Services are on July 19 and Aug 23, all at 530 p.m. On Sunday morning June 30, there'll be a fun filled Sunday brunch featuring local duet EVEN BETTA featuring (get a load of this) Jose Jimenez! He makes a lot of fun being a famous namesake. He and his partner Bonnie Pearson play well known oldies plus a variety of Jewish numbers they've learned special because of their unique support for Israel. I played with them at a church right after the war broke out. They are very sincere and nice people. You will enjoy their fun-filled entertainment.

I'm hoping to put together a Karaoke Sunday brunch at some point in the near future.

Every Tuesday at Beth El is Game Day. Call the office to reserve a table.

July 14 is a special event at Beth El – a tribute to Tony Bennett and Bill Evans, 7 p.m. at the shul. Please make reservations for this fun filled event by calling our office.

Tisha B'Av is on Monday evening August 12 and Tuesday morning August 13. Details of time and places for those services are coming up. It's extremely important to remember the tragedies that we recall on those days as it reminds us of how they can and have happened again, especially with the current rise in antisemitism.

We hope with the good weather you'll make an effort to show up in person at our weekly Shabbat services. Hoping your summer is going nicely.

Cantor Ralph Goren



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*July*7/12 ......David & Cila Behr

August		
8/3	Edie & Irv Jacoby	
8/6	Marcy & Mark Tanker	
8/15	Ilene & Jonathan Gershen	
8/20	Sandi & Karl Shechtman	
8/28	Judy & Gerry Spanier	
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# 'Open Season' on Jews – Threats, Vandalism, Protests and Attacks

Anti-Israel and anti-Jewish hatred have reached a fever pitch in the U.S. as attacks become increasingly aggressive and openly violent. Hatred and bigotry are moving out of the shadows and into the daylight with more overt attacks against Jews and vandalism of property. The right to free speech is one of America's most irrefutable and cherished values, but when it oversteps into blatant acts of hatred that target individuals and minority groups, it crosses a line that must not to be tolerated.

"Raise your hand if you're a Zionist...this is your chance to get out..." – pro-Hamas protester The threatening and intimidating demand was called out aboard a New York City subway car as part of a calland-response chant led by a pro-Palestinian group of protesters. The leader, with a Palestinian keffiyeh covering his head and face, ordered all passengers to repeat after him as he called for anyone who was a Zionist to raise their hand, and leave the subway. The rest of the protestors in the group echoed his words. The incident was on June 10 at the bustling 14th Street-Union Square subway station while the train was stopped with the car's doors open. When no one responded, the anti-Israel protester announced, "OK, no Zionists, we're good." Police were called to the scene and protestors



A commemorative wall at the Nova exhibit with individual photos of those murdered at the festival. The area features candles and postcards where visitors can write messages. [Courtesy of the Nova Exhibition]

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY KABALAT on Zoom, 5:30 p.m.

JEWISH CONNECTION Every Saturday evening at 8 p.m. on Zoom Beth El link us02web.zoom.us/j/87338118716 Passcode: 3133

FIRST BEACH SERVICE, Friday, June 28 behind Ventnor Library, 5:30 p.m. in person and Zoom

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Above, Members of Beth El and Shirat Hayam went to the Phillies game for Jewish Heritage Night. Left, Cantor Goren joined Denise Borisch and her family for Phillies Jewish Heritage Night on June 18th. Community vans met at Shirat Hayam.



# June 30 Sunday Brunch

We are planning another fun-filled Sunday brunch for **Sunday, June 30, 10:30 a.m.** 

featuring the popular duet Even Betta. (See attachment) Ready for this, his name is Jose Jimenez for real (I told him, yeah right and I'm Ralph Lauren). She's Bonnie Pearson. They sing pop oldies and a variety of Jewish pieces which they've learned really well (I've heard them). Please join us — \$18 at the door.

Please RSVP to this email. It would help to know how many are coming.

(You can show up at the last minute.)

# **Uahrtzeit** List

### Week of June 15

Lillian Golen

### Week of June 29

Louis Friss Charlotte Latt Lynda Kleidermacher

### Week of July 6

William Cassidy Jacob Lifshin Barbara Alper Charles Gardner Marvin Frank Janet Leavy Will Kahane

### Week of July 13

Morris Brown Sidney Seffren

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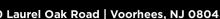
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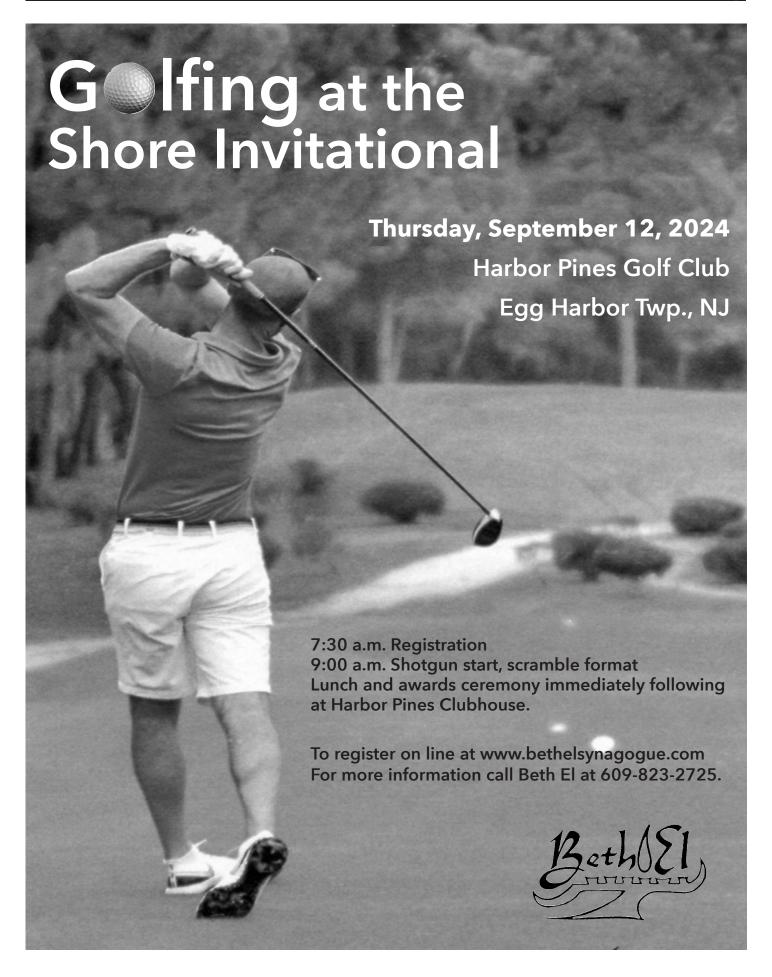
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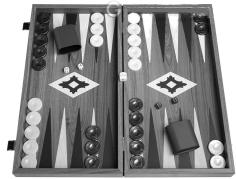
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### **Open Season** continued from page 4

clashed with officers in the subway station.

"Threatening New Yorkers based on their beliefs is not only vile, it's illegal and will not be tolerated," City Hall spokeswoman Kayla Mamelak told The Post. "Mayor Adams has been clear: New York City will always protect the right to free speech, but we will never allow our city to descend into lawlessness. Anyone with information about those responsible for this illegal conduct should contact the NYPD immediately."

Another alarming episode of blatant antisemitism and anti-Zionism was committed just above the subway, where pro-Hamas protestors took to the streets right outside of the The Nova Music Festival Exhibition honoring the murdered victims of the festival on 10/7. A loud and chaotic demonstration erupted where anti-Israel protesters held banners declaring "Long Live October 7!" along with flags of the Hamas and Hezbollah terrorist groups. One pro-Palestinian activist, Nerdeen Kiswani, proclaimed the Nova festival was "a rave next to a concentration camp" and called the exhibit "propaganda used to justify the genocide in Palestine." Demonstrators shouted, "long live the intifada," a reference to times of historical Palestinian violence against Jews. They also set off smoke bombs and flares into the sky leaving a hazy red and green fog lingering in the air – the colors of the Palestinian flag.

NY Mayor Adams told media: "I thought it was despicable. It was disgusting what we saw. And you cannot call for peace while you are celebrating what happened on October 7...that's like you are desecrating the graves."

Even Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, a vocal critic of Israel, blasted the protest: "The callousness,



Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer standing in front of the commemorative wall at the Nova exhibit [Screenshot-X]

dehumanization and targeting of Jews on display at last night's protest outside the Nova Festival exhibit was atrocious antisemitism – plain and simple," she wrote on X.

Adding a new layer to their grief, Nova victims' families are grappling with understanding the public's support for the terrorists who killed their loved ones. One parent, Manny Manzuri, said "I cannot find the words for how I felt when somebody shouting and supporting the people who murder your daughters," he said. "It was like they killed me again and again and again."

The Nova exhibit is titled October 7th 06:29 AM – The Moment Music Stood Still, which was on display in Tel Aviv for 10 weeks before traveling to New York. It was created to commemorate the massacred, while striving to help heal the dance community. The "we will dance again" initiative has become a resounding

anthem since 10/7 and a universal call to bring hope and healing to the Nova festival survivors.

The next day, in a different New York borough, the homes of Brooklyn Museum Director Anne Pasternak and other Jewish board members were vandalized in a blatant act of antisemitism – each targeted simply for being Jews. In the early hours of the morning, anti-Israel extremists brazenly smeared and splattered red paint across the front of the director's home along with a symbol – a red upside-down triangle – used in Hamas propaganda videos to mark Israeli targets. Pasternak was labeled a "white supremacist Zionist" after weeks of protests against the museum. The banner was also stamped with handprints in red paint, with the term "Funds Genocide" repeated across the bottom of the banner. On the ground, "Blood on Your Hands" was painted in large block letters in front of her home.

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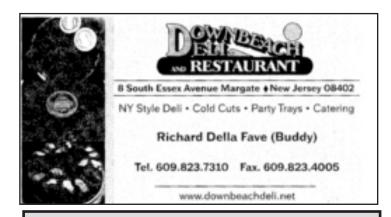
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