



# CONGREGATION AHAVATH ACHIM

## March 2019 Newsletter

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Torah & Haftorah Readings and Page Numbers					
<b>Torah Reading</b>	<b>March 2 Vayakhel</b>	<b>March 9 Pekude</b>	<b>March 16 Vayikra</b>	<b>March 23 Tzav</b>	<b>March 30 Shmini</b>
	Exodus 35:1-38:20	Exodus 38:21-40:38	Leviticus 1:1-5:26	Leviticus 6:1-8:36	Leviticus 9:1-11:47
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<b>Haftorah</b>	I Kings 7:40-50	I Kings 7:51-8:21	Isaiah 43:21-44:23	Jeremiah 7:21-8:3, 9:22-23	II Samuel 6:1-7:17
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#### **Rabbi Peretz Robinson Torah Message**

Dear Friends,

It gives me great pleasure to once again reach out to you in our monthly newsletter.

The holiday of Purim begins on Wednesday, March 20th in the evening, and concludes the following evening. This holiday, which commemorates the salvation of the Jewish people through the efforts of Mordechai and Esther, has four specific mitzvot connected to it:

- 1) Mishloach Manot. The giving of two types of readily edible foods to a fellow Jew.
- 2) Megillah Reading. One must hear the Megillah being read twice, the first time in the evening, and the second time the following day. God willing, our shul will be holding our Megillah reading service this year on the JSS campus. In the evening, our service will begin at 7:05. The following morning, Megillah reading will be part of our usual daily 6:45 minyan. Please feel welcome to join us. A mechitza will be present, and both men and women are welcome.
- 3) Seudat Purim. The mitzvah to enjoy a festive meal on the holiday. While this mitzvah must be performed during Purim day, nevertheless it is recommended to have a joyous meal on Purim eve as well. We are hoping to have a festive meal following Megillah reading on Wednesday evening at JSS. This meal will take place at approximately 8 p.m. We are asking for RSVP's, as it is essential that we order the right amount of food. Sponsorship opportunities are available for this event. Please consider partnering with Congregation Ahavath Achim in cosponsoring this event in honor of a friend, in memory of a loved one, or as a general donation.
- 4) Matanot L'evyonim. Charity to be distributed in the community on the holiday. This is a mitzvah that is unique to the holiday of Purim. I will be personally distributing these funds to members of our community on the day of the holiday. For more information about how to contribute to our holiday charity fund, for details about Purim dinner sponsorship, or any other questions regarding the Purim schedule, please do not hesitate to reach out to myself or Arnell in the shul office.

Looking forward to spending a meaningful Purim holiday with you,

Rabbi Peretz Robinson

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## Community Events

**Sunday, March 10, at 10:00am - Congregation B'nai Torah -**  
 Congregation B'nai Torah, 5700 Main St, Trumbull, CT 06611,  
**Coffee and... An intimate discussion with author Debbie Levison**

"About the Event."

Trumbull resident Debbie Levison discusses her new book, *THE CRATE: A Story of War, a Murder, and Justice*, her parents' Holocaust memoir, combined with a true-life crime and murder mystery.

Info: [office@bnaitorahct.org](mailto:office@bnaitorahct.org) / 203 268-6940

**Sunday, March 17, 4:00pm - Congregation Beth El-Norwalk**  
**FILM: "Three Identical Strangers"**

Presented by Congregation Beth El-Norwalk,  
 109 East Ave, Norwalk, CT.

Special film screening and talk back of *Three Identical Strangers*. The film, which presents a case of triplets who were separated at birth and adopted by different families as an experiment, has Americans and the Jewish community abuzz. Info: [jody@congbethel.org](mailto:jody@congbethel.org) / 203-838-2710  
 Co-sponsored by Congregation Beth El-Norwalk and Temple Shalom.

**Refuah Sheleimah to** David Gordon, and Diane Shinbaum. May G-d grant each a speedy and complete recovery

## Yahrtzeits for March 2019

Friday, March 1- <b>Bela Weintraub</b> (Grandfather to Cathy Velenchik)	Saturday, March 16- <b>Herman Wolper</b> (Father to William Wolper)
Thursday, March 5- <b>Paul Rollin</b> (Father to Hedy Augenbraun)	Sunday, March 17- <b>Regina Dickens</b> (Mother to Bernard Dickens)
Friday, March 8- <b>Morris Dickens</b> (father to Bernard Dickens)	Monday, March 18- <b>Sara Schiller</b> (Mother to Martin Schiller)
Friday, March 8- <b>Martin Eisenbach</b> (Uncle to Betty Anlick)	Tuesday, March 19- <b>Abe Abrams</b> (Father to Roberta Greenbaum)
Friday, March 8- <b>Howard Kaufman</b> (Mother to Debra Lozanov)	Friday, March 22- <b>Isser Kosowsky</b> (Uncle to Seymour Kosowsky)
Saturday, March 9- <b>Harry Berkowitz</b> (Father to Helene Green)	Friday, March 22- <b>Charles Willig</b> (Grandfather to Allan Willig)
Saturday, March 9- <b>Sylvia Magid Fishman</b> (Mother to Mark Fishman)	Saturday, March 23- <b>Bella Loeser</b> (Mother to Doron Loeser)
Monday, March 11- <b>Minnie Samovitz</b> (Grandmother to Charles Zwecker)	Monday, March 25- <b>Jacob Dimand</b> (Grandfather to Jay Dimand)
Tuesday, March 12- <b>Gertrude Kraut</b> (Mother to Deborah Shear)	Monday, March 25- <b>Bessie Elstein</b> (Aunt to Seymour Kosowsky)
Thursday, March 14- <b>Barbara Berg</b> (Mother to Ellen Tobias & Devorah Hager)	Wednesday, March 27- <b>Moshe Reuven Goldberg</b> (Father to Bernard Goldberg)
Thursday, March 14- <b>Gimpel Kornhauser</b> (Father to Clara Hartstein)	Wednesday, March 27- <b>Max Velenchik</b> (Father to Cathy Velenchik)
Friday, March 25- <b>Mayer Egri</b> (Brother to Betty Deutsch)	Friday, March 29- <b>Dorothy Berkowitz</b> (Mother to Helene Green)
	Saturday, March 30- <b>Dora Birnbaum</b> (Mother to Erna Gottesman)

**Golden Book Greeting cards are a wonderful way to honor or remember someone. To personalize your message, call or email Sara Klein. She can include a personal greeting you would like to have included.**

