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Find a Moment of Stillness

Jewish Mindfulness can provide paths and tools for spiritual grounding during both difficult and simple times. We have been offering weekly mindfulness sessions that are a blend of personal reflection and practice to be present to the holy in every day, based in Jewish teachings and ideas.

We are pleased to announce that all of these sessions are **available as audio-only recordings!** Now, in addition to joining us on Zoom on Thursday mornings (9:00am, link in the NVHC email), you can follow along with these recordings whenever you need to find a moment of stillness and presence.

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9 Candles, 9 Lessons

Rabbi Michael G. Holzman

When you receive this, it will be almost 9 months since we began our new pandemic way of life. As Chanukah reminds us of the way the ancient Israelites rededicated the Temple even during a time of devastation, now is a good time for us to review 9 lessons learned that rededicate us to our Jewish community - one for each candle on our *chanukiah* (8 days + 1 *shamash*).

The first candle has to be dedicated to teamwork.

When this all started, our amazing leadership and staff shifted almost overnight to daily programming, nimble decision-making, and new forms of engagement. We threw out almost every tried-and-true way of doing synagogue, and instead, invented a “*Zynagogue*” (I promise that is my only lame Xoom pun). Along the way, our key words were concern, flexibility, creativity, support, values, and Judaism. March 2020 will always be one of the most innovative moments in Jewish history.

The second candle represents our community participation.

As the familiar habits of life fell apart almost overnight, we saw our members and friends showing up like never before. We began to track participation and discovered that in those first few months, we had more NVHCers showing up to our programming than we usually did for Rosh Hashanah. Every class, movie discussion, wine club, service, meeting, youth group activity, and seder was jammed with people. If we had not

been online, we probably would have run out of chairs.

The third candle represents Justice, and by this, I mean the way that NVHC reacted to the state-sanctioned or state-ignored murders of African Americans this spring. Through our Rebuilding Democracy Project, we created an entirely new experience, the Juneteenth Tikkun, which brought together over 90 devices for an all-night study, prayer, learning, memorial, and growth experience dedicated to interrogating racism. We made new friends from Washington Plaza Baptist Church, and discovered the artistry and wisdom of Rev. Michelle Nickens. An awesome moment of Revelation that morning as she sang out the dawn of the day of Liberation.

The fourth candle represents Torah, and I mean the literal Torah scroll. What could be more disappointing than the cancellation of a child’s *Bar* or *Bat Mitzvah*? This ritual happens at one of the most tender stages of a family’s life, when children are discovering responsibility, and parents begin the process of letting go. When COVID forced us all to give up on a year or years of anticipated plans, the grief was palpable. What rescued us? The reality of families and friends looking into the Torah scroll, either through TorahCam close up on the screen, or with a Torah in their home, read by a child on a dining room table, with parents and siblings standing nearby to hold it open and help them find their place in the text. While we miss the holiness of our building, the holiness of our Torah scrolls sustained us through this passage.

The fifth candle symbolizes the creative light we generated with the High Holy Days. Beginning in the month of Av, and extending all the way through our incredible Simchat Torah (if you have not seen our [Torah scrolling video](#), it's a must!), we generated an entirely different way of celebrating the new year and deepening our journey of personal growth. We met online for so many different experiences, and we offered opportunities offline for each person or family to discover a new way to celebrate the holy season. This was possible only because we had an enormous team of volunteers, planners, and leaders working with our staff and clergy team. None of us will ever forget those moments.

The sixth candle goes back to our Torah scrolls, because what was more amazing than the way we came together to watch members change the Torah covers, members holding the Torahs during Kol Nidre, members symbolically passing the Torah during the "*hakafot*" while Mike jammed away on the piano - and, yes, that awesome Torah scrolling video? We missed so many physical manifestations of joy during the Holy Days, but what we got instead was the physical reality of the Torahs we all share.

The seventh candle is the power of Jewish music in all the various ways we have found it since March. NVHC's spirituality is rooted in the experience of song, and Cantor Caro's voice has carried us through the long weeks of this pandemic (not to mention her technical whiz skills with the computer). Add to that the work of Kol Shirah and all those awesome video contributions to the High Holy Days. Plus, the various Jewish choral and orchestral gems making the rounds online. We can always remember how our long and robust Jewish musical tradition sustains us.

And the eighth candle, the last night of Chanukah, the full *chanukiah* . . . it is community - the bonds of friendship, camaraderie, patience, understanding

hard work, giving and thanking, celebrating and mourning, teaching and learning, and all the ways that we come together as a community to meet new people and rely on long relationships that help us get through one of the hardest years of our lives. Only through the constancy, stability, vision, and purpose of our NVHC community have we found a grounding and strength for this wilderness.

So, what is the *shamash*? What lights the rest of the candles? Our dedication: our commitment to continue to give and support and participate and nurture and promote and share and enjoy the fruits of this synagogue. We do this in so many ways: by joining the Nitzavim Campaign, by making our annual contributions, by being leaders of the Board or committees or special projects, by volunteering to help with an event, by showing up, by calling friends, by bringing our children, and just by opening our emails and paying attention. We orient ourselves through our choice to be rooted in our synagogue community. This does not happen automatically. If 2020 has taught us anything, it is that we are each responsible for deciding what matters each day of our lives. Only by making those choices do we find meaning and light for our lives.

So, this Chanukah, please give thanks for the blessings of NVHC, and join us in rededicating ourselves to the future of this community.

Chanukah - A Call To Our Own Resilience

Cantor Susan Caro

Many of us look forward to Chanukah each year for the family celebrations, the festive spirit, the lights and gifts and yummy foods (because anything fried is tastier!). I know that while I, too, love all these

aspects of the holiday, they will be tempered this year by the ongoing pandemic and physical distancing still necessary. So, I am thinking deeply about how we can harness this time ahead to help us overcome our experiences of what we are missing. Each year I look forward to the growing lights each night, to gaze upon the dancing flames and reflect in their light to pull me through the darkness of the natural season.

Dedication means to commit (oneself, one's life, etc.) to a person, cause, enterprise, or activity. That is not a static, singular stance, but rather commitments to be renewed again and again in every moment, because each 'now' presents a new opportunity for choosing how we act or respond to life. The forward current of time pulls us in its wake, showing us we can step mindfully into each moment; our dedication to this mindful awareness is resilience itself. Resilience is not about overcoming, but about be-coming – the newest version of ourselves. Studies of resilience show that we human beings are more resilient when we have strong support networks of friends, family and community; when we embrace an attitude of gratitude and a sense of purpose.

One of the great Jewish scholars of our time, Lord Rabbi Jonathan Sacks (z'l, of blessed memory who passed away as I was writing this), wrote: "The more friendship I share, the more I have. The more love I give, the more I possess. The best way to learn something is to teach it to others. The best way to have influence is to share it as widely as possible. These are the things that operate by the logic of multiplication not division, and they are precisely what is created and distributed in communities of faith: friendship, love, learning and moral influence, along with those many other things which only exist by virtue of being shared." Sharing time and presence with others, even digitally, expands our spheres of gratitude and

strengthens our muscles of resilience. As we wake up each morning, Jewish tradition calls us to recite these words:

'Modeh/Modah ani l'fanecha, ruach chai v'kayam, shehechezarta bi nishmati b'chemla; Rabbah emunatecha.' "I give thanks to You, Sovereign Source and Sustainer of life, Who returns the fullness of breath to me each morning, faithfully and with gracious love."

[Here is a link](#) to a musical setting of these words (by me, Cantor Susan Caro) – a way to open your heart with a daily dedication, a mantra of resilience - to yourself, to your day, to God. I try to begin each day with this spark of gratitude, with an intention to use my prism of gratitude more than I use my prism of cynicism to experience the day that is waiting for me. I am not always successful; rather than judging myself harshly, I try to guide my mind and my heart back toward the perspective to which I aspire. A spark of gratitude, a spark of light. Each day. Just thinking about all of you out there each day raises up those sparks for me.

Be sources of light and joy to your loved ones; find deliciousness in yummy foods, and sustenance from networks of family, friends, and our NVHC community to grow the seeds of dedication and resilience in your soul.



Celebrating at Home

Rabbi Jessica Wainer

When we ask students what their favorite holiday is, almost all of them quickly respond with "Hanukkah!" While a minor holiday in the Jewish

tradition, Hanukkah has become a major holiday for many of us. The presents, decorations, and foods may be the most exciting part for our younger contingent. This year, however, the deeper themes of dedication and rededication have been playing and replaying in my mind as I think about how we experience Hanukkah, and the rest of our holidays, in the COVID era. In particular, I am constantly in awe of the ways that our families choose to rededicate themselves to their Judaism and Jewish practice during this strange time.

This year, we are piloting a program called the *Mishpacha* (Family) Project. Families who participate in this project meet twice a month as a small group to explore the themes of Shabbat and the holidays, while bridging the gap between the experience of Judaism in the synagogue and the experience of Judaism at home. As families, parents, and students meet in different settings, we have discussed and created experiences around the holiness in time that we experience on Shabbat and the importance of making a separation between Shabbat and the rest of the week, just as we make separations between different aspects of our lives. Together, these families have chosen to rededicate themselves to the important work of building Jewish ritual and tradition.

This Hanukkah season, I encourage everyone to think about the ways in which your family, whether young or old, can rededicate yourselves to the important work of celebrating Judaism at home. We have now been doing this for nine months and will likely continue to do this long into the future, even when our doors reopen. Think about what it is that you love about your Jewish practice at NVHC. Are there aspects of it that you can bring home? What are the Jewish rituals that you have always wanted to try, but just haven't found the time? Each of us has the opportunity to rededicate ourselves to our practice of Judaism,

and Hanukkah is a great season in which to begin this exploration.

Finding Joy in Little Rectangles

Sam Blum

It has become old hat at this point to talk about how we are stuck inside. We've really made an effort to turn our homes into spiritual spaces as long as we are away from our sanctuary building. We've attempted to balance work and fun and school and sleep and all the other things that must take place at home. But there's a space within that space - well, it's sort of within that space - that we may also feel stuck in. I refer, of course, to the humble Zoom box.

In a recent staff meeting, Rabbi Holzman remarked that he sometimes felt like he was trapped in the Phantom Zone. For those unfamiliar, the Phantom Zone is where Jor-El (Superman's dad) banishes Kryptonian criminals. It's a two-dimensional plane that traps its inhabitants forever, represented as a small rectangle that hurtles through the furthest reaches of space. If this intrigues you, you can stream the Christopher Reeve *Superman* movies on HBO Max - or you can simply continue to exist in this Zoom world of ours, experiencing school and worship and socializing from our little adjacent rectangles. It's hard sometimes to not feel stuck.

There are practical solutions to this problem. For one, you could perhaps move your computer, and thus your box. Zoom from the kitchen! Zoom from outside! Heck, Zoom from the same room - just face the other direction! It's a win both for you and the people you Zoom with regularly, and these little things matter in the day-to-day monotony of it all. In the right situation, you could also add a virtual

background, or play around with filters - any meeting can be brightened by a beach background or a cowboy hat. I encourage you to play around with it - it's goofy, but it's fun.

Whenever I'm feeling sorry for myself about a particularly Zoom-filled day, I think about our kids in virtual school. They've been staring at their screens for hour after hour, day after day, for months now. So much of their remaining time, at least for our high school students, is spent trying to climb an absolute mountain of homework. So when they log onto yet another Zoom call for Tamid on Tuesday nights, I know I have to make it engaging. The stakes for something meaningful are even higher than usual.

The best thing that we've done in recent memory was, unsurprisingly, one that came from the teens themselves. A murder mystery, they proposed, where each participant has a persona, and they must work together to expose the killer. I have to say I was a little apprehensive. There would be no breakout groups, no independent work, no listening to a speaker or watching a video - just all of them, together, talking to each other for over an hour. I mean no slight when I say that it can be challenging to get everybody to talk to each other during Tamid. Like I said, they're exhausted! It's draining to talk into your computer all day.



However, I was smart enough to listen to the teens and go ahead with the program. After I sent them their bios, I gave them a few minutes to decorate themselves & their spaces - to utilize all the above

Zoom tricks, and on top of that, to add costumes and props and accents. They had fully transformed their own individual spaces, and in doing so, had rededicated our shared space with creativity and silliness and joy. All my worries about participation were unfounded; we probably could have gone on for another hour if we needed to. It was some of the most fun - virtual or not - that I've ever had at NVHC. It worked because we made the extra effort to change the space, to be creative, to interface with one another in a new way. I will not soon forget the exploits of Sir Reginald Keelovour, or Kay Diver, or Samantha Van Der Slice - to name but a few.

Small spoiler for *Superman II*, but General Zod and his cronies do eventually make it out of the Phantom Zone. We will too. As time passes we will return to our physical spaces and be stuck in our little rectangles less and less. But as we wait for that time to come, we can reconfigure our little rectangles, and rededicate ourselves to finding the joy in our sometimes stifling little rectangles. If a teen can make wild accusations in a Southern accent in the middle of hours of homework, you can experiment and have fun too.

The Social Action Committee (SAC) Introduces the Racial Justice Subcommittee (RJS)

Laura Tessner

On the heels of the killings of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and Ahmaud Arbery, members of NVHC, like so many people across the country, were moved to find some way to take a stand against racial injustice in America.

One of our first actions during the period of increased protest in June was to create a new program, our Juneteenth Tikkun. Based on the work of the Rebuilding Democracy Project, we

applied the traditional format of an overnight vigil prior to the morning of revelation on Shavuot (a *tikkun*), to the holiday of Juneteenth (the day when the last enslaved people in the United States were finally liberated). Our overnight study, with the help of scholar-in-residence Pastor Michelle Nickens, helped us prepare for the revelatory moment as the United States reckons with its history of racial oppression.



In August, NVHC partnered with the Martin Luther King Church of Reston and other local religious organizations to hold the Interfaith Car Rally for Racial Justice, where Rabbi Holzman spoke. Then in October, members of the Social Action Committee committed themselves to formally establishing the Racial Justice Subcommittee (RJS) of NVHC.

Still in the formation stage, the RJS is currently working on drafting a charter and defining its mission. We have already identified three spheres we must work in - the personal, the institutional (NVHC), and the communal (Northern Virginia and beyond).

There is a lot of work to do, and if you would like to join the RJS and our fight against racism, please contact co-chairs Laura Tessner or Andy Lacher (tessnerblock@gmail.com or alacher@gmail.com).

Support Cornerstones' Hypothermia Program

This year, as in past years, NVHC is supporting Cornerstones' hypothermia program, which provides dinner and sleeping accommodations for up to 24 homeless adults during the winter months. (This program supplements the meals and sleeping accommodations that Cornerstones provides for families at its larger Embury Rucker shelter.) NVHC will be preparing ten dinners for the hypothermia program from December through March. Our first dates are December 7 and 14, 2020. If you would like to contribute ingredients or prepare dishes for our dinners, please email Bess Eisenstadt @bess.eisenstadt@gmail.com.

Other questions about our social action work at NVHC? Please contact Ellen Ranard at SocialAction@nvhcreston.org.



**Weave yourself into
our tapestry.
GET INVOLVED
MEET NEW FRIENDS
MAKE CONNECTIONS**

NVHC Sisterhood is eager to stay connected with you as sisters and continue our mission of promoting camaraderie, *esprit de corps*, spirituality, and participation in *tikkun olam* – repairing the world – within our congregation and the greater community. Join Sisterhood again this year or become a member for the first time.

Visit the [Sisterhood webpage](#) to find our membership forms and more about who we are and what we have to offer. Want to chat? Email us at sisterhoodpresident@nvhcreston.org. We'd love to hear from you.

Yours in Sisterhood,
Fay Gubin and Lisa Folb, Sisterhood Co-Presidents

If you haven't attended one of our Zoom events, what are you waiting for? Here are a few of Sisterhood's upcoming programs you'll surely want to attend:

December 1st – The 3 C's of Chanukah Card Making

December 7th – Chanukah Baking with Lauren Katz

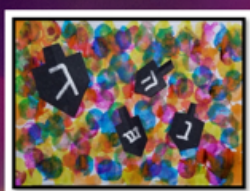
December 17th – Chanukah Menorah Lighting

December 29th – Washington Walks - "Alice Roosevelt Longworth: Beyond the Witty One-Liners"

January 21st – Paid-Up Membership Event - Steve Friedman's Virtual Musical Theatre

February 1st – Book Discussion - *The Book of Longings* by Sue Monk Kidd

February 18th – A Fireside Chat - A View from the Pulpit: Initiating the Important Discussion on How #MeToo Affects Women in the Jewish Community



THE 3 C'S OF CHANUKAH

CREATIVITY * COLLEGIALLY * CARING

Please join Sisterhood for a virtual program as we come together to create handmade Chanukah cards and spread some Chanukah joy by delivering them to members of our greater community. Our own Nicki Halterman-Mitchell, of NVHC Cares, as well as the social services representative of a local retirement community, are ready to see to it that the cards are delivered.

DATE:
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1ST

TIME:
1:30 P.M.



Celebrate

CHANUKAH

WITH NVHC SISTERHOOD

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Thursday, December 17th at 7:15pm

Each of us will have the opportunity to share why our menorah is special to us. Then we'll join together, in Sisterhood, as we recite the blessings and light the nine candles on the last night of Chanukah. What a "glowing" way to end the Festival of Lights this year.



Please RSVP so that we know how many to expect.
sisterhoodprogramming@nvhcrestons.org
Zoom link to follow.

JOIN US FOR

A Fireside Chat



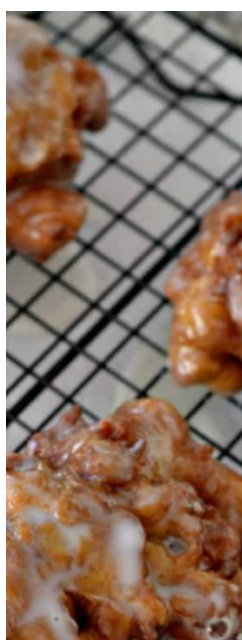
*A View from the Pulpit: Initiating the Important Discussion
About How #MeToo Affects Women in the Jewish Community*

Thursday, February 18, 2021
7:00 p.m.

With Rabbi Emerita Rosalind A. Gold, Cantor Susan Caro,
Rabbi Jessica Wainer. Moderated by
NVHC Member, Meryl Paskow



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and the Women of NVHC



Indulge Your Sweet Tooth for Chanukah

NVHC Sisterhood presents Lauren Katz, the head
pastry chef at The Difference Baker in Ashburn, VA

In partnership with Congregation Beth Emeth

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7TH
6:45 - 8:30 PM

Lauren was the 1st season Great American
Baking Show winner in 2015, 3 time Pillsbury
Bake off contestant and 2019 category winner,
and has won over 50 different cooking/baking
competitions.

The NVHC Sisterhood Gift Shop is Now Online!

The shop has everything you need for Chanukah this year - candles, menorahs, gelt, gifts - as well as a wide variety of other Judaica for all year round! [Click here to shop today.](#)

We give a warm welcome to new members:

Eric & Jo Scheinerman and children Noah, Kadi, Ella, and Cody

Mazel Tov to ...

To David Selden and Julie Wallick, proud grandparents of Evie June Rubin, born June 22, 2020, to parents Mitchell Rubin and Hadley Hatch

Tzedakah

Thank you for supporting our community!

Adam Levine Camp Scholarship Fund

Jim and Michelle Kranzberg...in memory of Jackie Kranzberg Lugo

Ark Fund

Lori Saltzman...in memory of David Tobis
Ted Smith...in memory of Barbara K. Smith

Art Fund

Roy and Jean Horowitz...in memory of Evelyn Horowitz
Tracey Silberling...in memory of Robert Silberling

Cantor's Discretionary Fund

Jon and Nicki Halterman-Mitchell...in thanks for the concert
Marjina Kaplan...in memory of Marjina Matejczyk
Jeffrey and Noel Katz...in memory of Richard Katz
Joy and Morley Lertzman...in honor of Cantor Caro
Allan and Barbara Ratner...in honor of Cantor Caro and her amazing folk concert
Linda Rosen...in memory of Peter Rosen
Larry and Deede Snowwhite...in memory of Fritzi Snowwhite, Elaine Zeitz
The Turk Family...in memory of Mollie Fingerman Goldberg

Choir & Music Fund

Dennis and Sara Branscome...in memory of Michael Horwatt
David and Ellen Brewer...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Henry Chadwick...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Joshua Davidson and Mia Fram Davidson...in memory of David Fram
JoAnn Eckhardt...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Eric and Bess Eisenstadt...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Eric and Karen Forman...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Andy Goodman...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Beth Helman...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Richard & Katherine Horan...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Marjina Kaplan...in memory of Michael Horwatt, George Kaplan
Helen and Nancy Kruger...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Jay and Barbara Myerson...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Pete and Libby Robbins...in memory of Miles Denham
Lori Saltzman...in memory of Grace Tobis
Stephen and Jane Shafritz...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Marion Sheaffer...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Sy and Roberta Sherman...in memory of Jean Samet
Dorothy and Robert Singer...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Ted Smith and Rosalind Gold...in memory of Michael Horwatt
Ben Trichilo...in memory of Michael Horwatt

Clergy Discretionary Funds for COVID-19 Families in Need

Ed and Bernadette Saperstein

Ellen Reich Early Childhood Teacher Education Fund

Norman Reich...in memory of Henry Lehman

High Holy Day Appeal

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Glen Asner and Brej Gruskin

Stephen and Alicia Baskin

Jeffrey Baum

Mark W. Baum

Francine Beifeld

Trudy Bell

Lauren Bellis and Tracey Silberling

Harvey & Janice Berger... in honor of all the NVHC volunteers

Susan Bergman

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Matthew and Miriam Brodie

Sally and Robert Brodsky

Henry and Cindy Brownstein

Mark Calem and Hindy Shaman

Wendy Carton

Henry Chadwick

Rachel Charlton

Rich and Lynne Chernin

Ed and Judy Cincinnati

Andy and Susan Cohen

Betsy Cohen

Neil and Robin Cohen

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Thomas Fleeter

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Esther Friedman

Julie Galton

Robert Gates

Gail Gertner

Anna Gibson

Bob and Jackie Gladstone

Andrew Goldberg

Lawrence Goldstein and Karen Schneider

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Mort and Deborah Goldstrom

Beth Goss

Lisa Grossman and David Weber

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Cliff and Anna Haupt

John and Taryn Hermansen

Jose and Olga Hernandez

Paul Hess and Geraldine Welikson

Bill Holtzman and Juliet Goozh

Roy and Jean Horowitz

Hutchens Family

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Eric Jacobs

Bruce Johnson and Janis Linkov-Johnson

Amy Jones

Seth Kanfer

Ken Kaplan

Linda Kaplan

Samantha Kaplan

Jeffrey and Noel Katz

Ian Katz

Warren and Evelyn Katz

Adam and Valerie Kerns

Elinor Klivans

Jennifer Kluger

Nancy and Helen Kruger

Jim and Michelle Kranzberg

Joyce Kranzberg

Andy and Elizabeth Lacher

Kim LaFave

Allison Laskey

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Ana Leirner and Luiz Vieira

Adam and Marissa Levin

Joshua and Darcy Levy

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Steve and Ruth Lipson

Kevin and Vicki Luman

Patricia Lutkowitz

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Schpilberg

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 the birth of Henry Glantz
 Rick and Barbara Schatz
 Michael Schwartz
 Dana Seltzer
 Marsha Sheinman
 Lillian Silberman
 Jay Silverberg
 John Silverberg
 Karen and Marvin Singer...in honor of our wonderful clergy
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 Brian and Debra Smith-Cohen
 Helen Smith
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 Bruce and Mary York
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Inclusion Fund

Peter and Libby Robbins...in memory of Melvin Bertram Robbins

Library Fund

Bruce Johnson and Janis Linkov-Johnson...in memory of Kendrick Johnson

Louis Gold Children's Music Fund

Rosalind Gold...in memory of Louis Gold, Joseph Gold; in honor of Zoe Cheres' *Bat Mitzvah*

Memorial Plaque

John Roberts and Mimi Kramer-Roberts...in memory of William Walter Kramer

NVHC Cares

Robert and Gail Dezube...in memory of Anne Katz
 Brad and Risa May...in memory of Ian Lasher
 David McCue and Lori Lefcourt...in memory of Elaine Lefcourt
 Norman Reich...in memory of Frances Reich and Norma Lehman
 Joanne Schamest and Ron Wallos...in memory of Hugo Schamest

NVHC Fund

Susan Dunning...in honor of Yom Kippur services
 Eric Eldridge and Lisa Folb
 Andy and Elizabeth Lacher...in memory of Carol Nystrom

Blanche Lacher...in gratitude for a wonderful High Holy Day experience
Connie Nystrom...in memory of David Foster and Carol Nystrom
Richard and Jessica Peristere
Seymour Samuels...in memory of Linda Samuels
Marcia Solochech
Adam and Sara Viener

Preschool Fund

Jason and Vera Feig...in memory of May Feig

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund – Rabbi Gold

Michael and Betty Brody...in honor of Michael Langlois
Phyllis Stein...in memory of Louis Silverman

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund – Rabbi Holzman

Anonymous
Steve and Sheila Bookbinder...in honor of the marriage of David Jason Bookbinder and Cara Michelle Odlen
Henry and Cindy Brownstein...in memory of Maury Brownstein, Herb Sayare
Alan Dappen and Sara Scherr...in memory of John Dappen Deutschman Family
Tom and Cindi Drake...in memory of Robert Mejia
Mark and Alyse Goldman...in memory of Roselyn Goldman
Jeffrey and Noel Katz...in memory of Richard Katz
Charles and Barbara Leven...in memory of Samuel Leven, Herman K. Lembersky
Robin Miller...in memory of Michael A. Miller
Herb and Heidi Mitnick...in memory of Julius Horowitz, Irving Herbst
Steve and Romy Nathan...in memory of Carmen Nathan David Odlen
Robert Reznikoff...in memory of Anita Reznikoff
Sharon Rosendhal
Seymour Samuels...in memory of Linda Samuels and for Rabbi Holzman's help

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Andrew Stein and Kim Arnstine...in memory of Jane Stein
Suzi Stone...in honor of Andrew Stein's excellent class
Howard and Carolyn Wesoky...in memory of Linda Samuels
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Tikkun Olam (Social Action)

Stephen and Norma Baker (VOICE)...in memory of Mary Feldman
Robert and Shirley Finkelstein...in memory of Morris Finkelstein
Eric and Karen Forman
Rosalind Gold and Ted Smith...in honor of the marriage of Benjamin and Yael
Steve and Louise Hershkowitz
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Jeffrey and Noel Katz...in memory of Richard Katz
Andy and Elizabeth Lacher...in memory of Lillian Hochberg, Ruth Bader Ginsburg
Janice Nagell...in memory of Samuel Youman, Shirley Youman, Albert Nagell
Claudia Ortiz...in memory of Narciso Kalili
Anne Rosenblum...in memory of Noel Krupnik
Ruth Ruttenberg...in memory of Jeffrey Smith, Jack Spitz, Ken Ruttenberg
Mark and Nancy Weinstein...in memory of Charlot Edinberg

Speaker Series

David and Ellen Brewer...in memory of Ella Caplan Brewer
Ed and Sandee Byrne...in memory of Gladys Byrne
Andy and Susan Cohen...in memory of Myron (Mike) Joseph Cohen
Stephen and Sharron Cristofar...in memory of Ellen Moyer
Isabel Einzig...in memory of Nathaniel DeGutz
Michael and Carol Flicker...in memory of Arthur Nitka, Jean Samet, Michael Horwatt
Eric and Karen Forman...in memory of Mildred Forman
Brad and Risa May...in memory of Natalie Fuchs
Henry and Irene Schiffman...in memory of David Schiffman
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