This Week & Beyond at BEKI

BEKI Not-Happenings: Special Edition

• **It's a Mitzva:** Observing personal and public health protocols is necessary to comply with the *mitzvat lo-ta’ase* (prohibition) against endangering one’s own life and well-being, and that of others.

• **Need Help?** If you need help acquiring essential food, medicine, utilities, communication services, or have gone or may be going stir-crazy, please contact office@beki.org 203.389.2108 x114 and we refer you with Hesed Committee, Tiqun Olam Cmte, rabbinic counsel, and other synagogue-based and community agencies and vendors that exist to respond to such needs. We are a community and we will help each other as much as we can.

• **Want to Help?** To assist in on-going and ad-hoc support for BEKI members and Greater New Haven residents with significant or urgent needs, volunteer to participate in Hesed Committee robolettick@aol.com, Tiqun Olam Committee kuperst@gmail.com, and other organized efforts; info office@beki.org.

• **Building Closed:** The BEKI Building is closed until the end of March and until further notice. If you think you need access, make an arrangement with Peggy office@beki.org so that public health and building security protocols can be observed. The building has multiple alarmed zones which may be “armed” during the day. Do not enter without prior arrangement.

• **Activities Suspended:** All in-building BEKI activities are suspended until the end of March and until further notice. This includes daily and Shabbat services, BRS, BMP, study groups, yoga, USY, Kadima, art programs. Everything.
• **Home Kosher Food Delivery:** Abel Catering is providing home delivery and store pickup for kosher meals compliant with public health protocols.

• **BRS Remote Learning:** BRS is providing home tutorials for students. Info principal@beki.org.

• **Need Torah?** Learn Sing Pray with the Conservative Masorti Online Beit Midrash in Jerusalem https://www.conservativeyeshiva.org/learn/ and JTSA in New York http://www.jtsa.edu/jts-torah-online. Texts available at www.sefaria.org. Selected audio prayers, Member Divrei Torah and Rabbi’s Writings are available at beki.org under “Learning.” Also see Torah.org and Bnai Jacob (Woodbridge).

• **Daily & Shabbat Services:** The hiyyuv (requirement) of daily prayer applies first and foremost to the individual. The statutory prayers may be said in English or Hebrew or in any language. Priority prayers are (1) the Shema with its blessings, morning and night; and (2) the Amida, evening, morning, afternoon. Learning? Hear selected recordings at beki.org. See online prayerbooks or buy a book online or request a free book from jtilsen@beki.org.

• **Sell Hametz:** Authorize Rabbi Tilsen to sell your hametz before Passover.

• **JCARR News:** To volunteer contact Madeleine Kleinman madk117@gmail.com. JCARR needs donations to continue this important work. Send contributions to The Jewish Federation, Attn: Amy Holt, 360 Amity Rd. Woodbridge, 06525 (JCARR in memo)

• **Columbus House Shelter Dinners:** To volunteer to help at BEKI or serve dinners at the Columbus House shelter when this activity resumes or to learn what you can do now contact Darryl Kuperstock kuperst@gmail.com 203-215-8555.

• **BEKI Art Committee:** The BEKI Art Committee is recruiting volunteers. We arrange exhibitions with artists, curate selections, install the exhibition, and other creative details. Learn on the job, or contribute your deep knowledge of art, either way, we want you on the BEKI Art Committee. Contact Helen Rosenberg helr12@aol.com

• **Stop & Shop Gift Cards:** The BEKI office sells Stop & Shop gift cards. These cards can be used at any Stop & Shop location, like a debit card, to buy groceries or gasoline. This is an ongoing fundraiser which costs you nothing but
has provided over $3000 in income. Contact Peggy office@beki.org to participate.

- **Donate**: Fast and easy at www.beki.org/give
- **Got Announcements?** Ask President Yaron Lew to include your BEKI event in live Shabbat morning announcements by writing to announcements@beki.org.

“This Week at BEKI” listings may be up to 50 words

### Mark Your Calendar
- Shabbat HaHodesh – Sabbath of the Moon 21 March 2020
- Rosh Hodesh Nisan 25-26 March 2020
- Shabbat HaGadol 4 April 2020
- Siyyum Bekhorot **On-Line** 8 April 2020
- First Seder Night (Home Ritual) 8 April 2020
- Second Seder Night (Home Ritual) 9 April 2020

**Please check later for status for the following events**
- Holocaust Memorial Program 18 April 2020
- Chapel On The Green 19 April 2020
- Rosh Hodesh Iyar 24-25 April 2020
- Elm City Kallah Postponed 24-26 April 2020
- LaG BeOmer Night 12 May 2020
- Rosh Hodesh Sivan 24 May 2020
- Tiqun Leil Shavuot 28 May 2020
- Shavuot Days 29-30 May 2020
- Bar Mitzva: Nate Kempton 25-26 June 2020
- Fast of Tammuz 9 July 2020
- Tisha Be`Av 29-30 July 2020
- Tu Be`Av 5 August 2020
- Rosh Hodesh Elul 20-21 August 2020
Bar Mitzva: Toby Manning 28-29 August 2020
Rosh HaShana Night 18 September 2020
Rosh HaShana First & Second Day 19-20 September 2020
Kol Nidre Yom Kippur Night 27 September 2020
Yom Kippur 28 September 2020
Sukkot Night 2 October 2020
Sukkot First Two Days 3-4 October 2020
Hoshana Rabba 9 October 2020
Shemini Atseret 9-10 October 2020
Simhat Torah Evening 10 October 2020
Simhat Torah Morning 11 October 2020
Bar Mitzva: Ari Hurwitz 16-17 October 2020

Friday 20 March 2020 - 24 Adar 5780

- Office Hours: Email and Phone Only
- Shabbat Candle Lighting 6:47p EDT (home ritual)
- Yahrzeits (Friday Night & Saturday): Kitty Greenberg, William Karsif, Helen Lois Lettick, Robert A. Levine, Sidney Levinson, Joseph London, Lillian Peska, Harry Thal, Ronet Zeehandelaar

Shabbat 21 March 2020 – 25 Adar 5780 – Shabbat HaHodesh

- Torah Reading (At Home) : Parashot VaYaqhel-Pequdei (Ex. 35:1–40:38) & HaHodesh (Ex. 12:1-20)
- Mevarkhim HaHodesh: Rosh Hodesh Nisan begins BeYom Hamishi
- Minha (At Home) 1p–7p
- Havdala 7:47p or Later (Home Ritual)

Sunday 22 March 2020 – 26 Adar 5780

• Shaharit (At Home)
• BRS On-Line
• Minha & Maariv (At Home)
• Yahrzeits (Sunday Night & Monday): Gertrude Feldman, Mae Weinstein Goldberg, Philip Greenberg, Herman Louis Grenet, Anna Ignal, Freda Kaufman

Monday 23 March 2020 – 27 Adar 5780

• Shaharit (At Home)
• Office Closed & By Phone & Email Only
• Minha & Maariv (At Home)
• Yahrzeits (Monday Night & Tuesday): Belle Berger, Max Gurian, Joseph Heller, Nathan Marder, Lester Margolis, Ruth Mendlestein, Alfred Spaner, Enid Weisz Stone, Louis Trager

Tuesday 24 March 2020 – 28 Adar 5780

• Shaharit (At Home)
• Office Closed & By Phone & Email Only
• Minha & Maariv (At Home)
• Yahrzeits (Tuesday Night & Wednesday): Lottie Gellis Aaron, Anna Berman, Sadie Cohen, Sara Z. Gelbert, Julie Graham, Marion Kaletsky, Bessie Kaufman, Frances Ray, Estelle Romanoff, Moishe Schnitman

Wednesday 25 March 2020 – 29 Adar 5780

• Shaharit (At Home)
• Office Closed & By Phone & Email Only
• BRS Remote Learning (Off-Site)
• Benei Mitzva Program Remote Learning (Off-Site)
• Minha & Rosh Hodesh Maariv (At Home)
• Yahrzeits (Wednesday Night & Thursday): Minnie Abramovitz, Sarah Friedman, Max Jack Gad, Miriam Stein, Adolph Ticotsky

Thursday 26 March 2020 – 1 Nisan 5780 – Rosh Hodesh

• Shaharit, Hallel, Musaf (At Home)
• Torah Reading: Rosh Hodesh (Num. 28:1-15)
• Office Closed & By Phone & Email Only
• Minha & Maariv (At Home)
• Yahrzeits (Thursday Night & Friday): Ida Sara Akser, Samuel Berger, Philip Kantrowitz, Marilyn Shure Savin

Friday 27 March 2020 – 2 Nisan 5780

• Shaharit (At Home)
• Office Closed & By Phone & Email Only
• Minha after 1:05p (At Home)
• Qabbalat Shabbat & Maariv Service (At Home)
• Shabbat Candle Lighting 6:54p EDT (home ritual)
• Yahrzeits (Friday Night and Shabbat Day): Max Bronfin, Haya Carmi, Ralph Friedman, Sydney Sylvan Kemper, Morris Olmer, Lorraine Shindell, Mendy Spielman

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