

**We recall those recently departed.**

Martin Rochelle, father of Susan Pomeranz  
 Seymour Goldberg, father of Barry Goldberg  
 Dore Kessman, daughter of Ilene Kreilsheimer  
 Izaak Jacob Barendse, father of Judith Barendse  
 Mary Marx, sister of Lin Bermas

**We remember, with gratitude the American Soldiers  
 who gave their lives this past week.**

Army Sgt. 1st Class Ramon S. Morris, 37 of New York, NY  
 Army Spc. Wyatt J. Martin, 22 of Mesa, AR

**We remember, with love, the Six Million  
 whose lives were taken during the Holocaust.  
 We also remember, with love, those who were taken  
 from our midst this week in years past and  
 commemorate the anniversaries of their passing.**

*Week of December 14-20, 2014*

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| Rose Abramson   | * Francis Koch  |
| * Clara Baratz  | Rhoda Koenig    |
| * Dora Berlyn   | Florence Levy   |
| * Ralph Bettman | * May Lewis     |
| * Leo Billick   | Sonia Mack      |
| * Rose Brofsky  | * Edward Mallin |
| Richard Coyle   | Emma Marx       |
| * Jacob Fagin   | Pearl Michael   |
| * M. Jay Fein   | Irene Nienaltow |
| Mollie Fisher   | Aaron Polisar   |
| Murray Ginsberg | George Rose     |
| Helen Gold      | Sandi Schaefer  |
| Norma Goldberg  | * Eva Shlom     |
| * Myron Gordon  | * Lee Solomon   |
| Seth Gottesmann | Morris Solomon  |
| * Ethel Guttman | * Sara Wax      |
| Ella Kark       | Adrienne Wolff  |
| Morris Katz     | Harold Zeldes   |
| * Henry Kessler |                 |

*\* Enshrined on the Memorial Tablet*



**Tikkun Olam -Light One Candle**

TBA's *Ner Shel Tzedakah* program, LIGHT ONE CANDLE, gives the power to parents to purchase holiday gifts for their children. It's a wonderful way to share the spirit of the holidays with families in need in our community. Your \$20.00 donation becomes a coupon that *La Asociacion* parents will purchase for \$5.00. Then the \$25.00 coupon will be used by the parent to buy a gift at "A Nu Toy Store" in Tarrytown.

Please send in a check to TBA with LOC in the memo **by December 29**. You can also donate through the TBA website under Tikkun Olam.

**שבת שלום**  
*Shabbat Shalom!*



*Our sanctuary is equipped with a hearing induction loop. If you have a hearing aid or cochlear implant equipped with a t-coil, please flip the switch which engages the t-coil. The sound from the microphones will be transmitted directly to your hearing device.*



December 19-20,  
 2014  
 28 Kislev 5775  
 7:30pm  
*Mikeitz/  
 Shabbat Chanukah  
 Mevarchim  
 Hachodesh*

- Rabbi David K. Holtz  
 Cantor Margot E.B. Goldberg
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Temple Beth Abraham's mission is to provide our congregants with opportunities to create meaningful connections to God, Torah, the Jewish People and the surrounding Community.

The **Flowers** on the bima and the **Oneg** are sponsored by Temple Beth Abraham.  
**Shabbat morning's Kiddush** is sponsored by Jane and Barry Agdern in honor of the birth of their grandchild Elijah

**Temple Beth Abraham Events  
 December 20—27, 2014**

|  |      |        |         |
|--|------|--------|---------|
| Conservative Shabbat Service with <i>Kiddush</i> | Sat  | Dec 20 | 9:00am  |
| Mah Jongg  | Mon  | Dec 22 | 1:00pm  |
| Torah Study                                      | Wed  | Dec 24 | 10:00am |
| Office Closed                                    | Thur | Dec 25 |         |
| Shabbat Services                                 | Fri  | Dec 26 | 7:30pm  |
| Conservative Shabbat Service with <i>Kiddush</i> | Sat  | Dec 27 | 9:00am  |

The TBA offices will be closed for the holidays on Thursday, December 25 and Thursday, January 1, 2015

The Religious School will be not be in session from December 21 through December 31. Religious School will resume on Sunday, January 4.

As we approach the end of the calendar year, please consider helping Temple Beth Abraham by paying any open Temple obligations. This will also provide you with any tax benefits as long as your checks are dated before **the end of December**.



**Tikkun Olam—Gifts of Chanukah**

This Chanukah please donate new t-shirts, socks and undergarments for children and teens.

Donations are being accepted through **THIS SUNDAY December 21.**

TBA is also collecting unwrapped gifts for children of all ages and senior citizens. This Tikkun Olam program is accepting donations through

**THIS SUNDAY December 21.**

Donations will be distributed through the UJA– Federation NY and WJCS. Please place your donations in the designated boxes located in the TBA lobby. Email [tikkunolam@tba-n-y.org](mailto:tikkunolam@tba-n-y.org) to volunteer or if you have any questions.



**Special Congregational Meeting at TBA  
 Tuesday, January 6, 2015 at 7:00pm**

At the December meeting of the Temple Beth Abraham Board of Trustees, the Board voted to recommend to the congregation that we replace our current dues system with a system based on flexible contributions. The congregation is invited to attend this meeting to vote to amend our Constitution and By-Laws and to adopt this new system for our upcoming fiscal year that begins in July 2015.



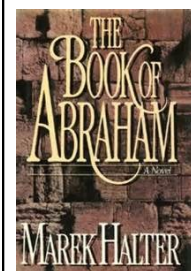
To view the full meeting invitation letter online go to:  
<http://bit.ly/1J9AOO9>

To view the questions and answers from the Task Force and the fact sheets presented to the Board referenced in the letter go to:  
<http://bit.ly/1uWS8vk>

To view the original presentation to the Board from the Task Force go to:  
<http://bit.ly/1zp3In8>

If you have any questions in advance of the meeting, contact Herb Baer (president@tba-n-y.org) or reach out to any other member of the TBA Board of Trustees.

**The TBA Book Club will meet on Friday, January 9 at 10:00am**



This month's book selection, *The Book Of Abraham* by Marek Halter opens with the backdrop of a burning Jerusalem in 70 CE as Abraham, a Temple scribe, flees the destruction of his home. Two thousand years and a hundred generations later, another Abraham perishes, burnt in the fires of the Warsaw Ghetto. The story links the generations of these two men from Jerusalem to Warsaw through Rome, Alexandria, France, and Greece in a moving account of Jews in exile.

**FAMILY SHABBAT—Friday, January 9**

**Family Shabbat Dinner at 6:00pm**  
**Family Shabbat Service with the 6th Grade at 7:00pm**

**RSVP for the dinner by Monday, January 5**

The main course is chicken. Pasta is available if requested when reservations are made. RSVP and payment in advance please.

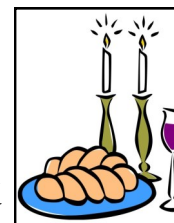
Adults - \$14.00; Children (2-12) - \$8.00

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Adults Chicken : \_\_\_\_\_ # of Children Chicken: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Adults Pasta: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Children Pasta: \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_



**TBA MOVIE MAVENS PRESENTS:  
 Saturday, January 10 at 7:00pm  
 Hunting Elephants**



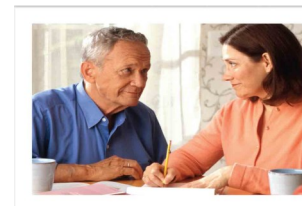
Jonathan is a 12 year old genius with severe social problems. After losing his father, his mother leaves him in a nursing home with his grandfather Elijah, a bitter old man. At the nursing home, Jonathan meets a host of extravagant people, including his grandfather's friend Nick, who used to rob banks for their country during the

British occupation. Joining them is Jonathan's uncle, a frustrated Shakespearean actor. Together, the four go on a journey to rob the bank where Jonathan's deceased father had worked.

*Bleiberg Entertainment, 2013, 107 min.*

Some offensive language. English and Hebrew with English Subtitles. Coffee and Dessert served. Free for members. Guests: \$5.00 to offset the cost of refreshments. Please call the TBA office at 914-631-1770 or email [adulded@tba-n-y.org](mailto:adulded@tba-n-y.org) to RSVP.

**Elder Care: What Families Need To Know  
 Sunday, January 11 11:30-1:00pm**



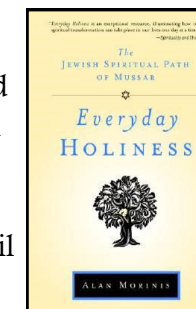
A panel of local experts will discuss the challenges we face as caregivers for our loved ones who can no longer care for themselves. Some of the topics include: aging in place, senior living facilities, elder law, and caregiving management.

Sponsored by: TBA Adult Ed, TBA Cares Committee, and WJCS (Westchester Jewish Community Services). A question and answer session will follow.

This is a free program, but a dairy luncheon will be served so please RSVP to [adulded@tba-n-y.org](mailto:adulded@tba-n-y.org) or call the TBA office at 914-631-1770.

**Seeking Everyday Holiness: An Introduction to Mussar  
 First session: Tuesday, January 20 7:30-9:00pm**

For centuries, *Mussar* has provided an illuminating, approachable, and highly practical set of teachings and practices for cultivating personal growth and spiritual realization in people's lives. Rabbi Holtz will be teaching how to understand and practice *Mussar*. The course begins on January 20 and will continue until May 26 with a total of 10 sessions.



Class size is limited and pre-registration is required. Please contact Rabbi Holtz or Irene Metz ([clergyassistant@tba-n-y.org](mailto:clergyassistant@tba-n-y.org)) to register. Registration, including the cost for materials, is \$90.00