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HOUSTON CONGREGATION FOR REFORM JUDAISM

Sandbox Play as a Model for a Moral Society



For young children, one of the favorite shared spaces to play has always been the sandbox. In the sandbox as boys and girls play together, all are equal in the process of digging holes and making piles. There is no judgment, no competition and no gender bias whatsoever. Additionally, the only rules to sandbox play are to stay within the boundaries of the box, play nicely and share the limited tools available to all.

In sandbox play, the best drivers of human interaction are on display: cooperation, respect, kindness and acceptance. Even when something goes wrong (sand gets into someone's eyes) empathy and courtesy usually find their way into the social mix.

In the past few months, as reports of sexual harassment cases have surfaced in every industry and hate speech continues to be the topic of headline news, I have come to long for the innocence and civility of the sandbox. As the year 2018 begins to unfold, we have a moral obligation to speak out. On Rosh HaShanah, which marked the New Year on the Jewish calendar, I addressed what I called, *the sin of silence*. With the beginning of this secular calendar year, it has become clear that society needs to hear our voices.

Silence is a sin when we keep our mouths shut as people suffer injustice before our eyes. Silence is a sin when we stand on the sidelines when we have knowledge of sexual harassment. Silence is a sin when we choose not to speak out to defend the victims of violence or domestic abuse. Silence is a sin when we fail to report exploitation. Silence is a sin when our lips are sealed in the presence of hatred, bigotry or the assault of another person with words or deeds.

Each of these transgressions regarding silence can be rectified, and it is up to each of us to find the courage to speak out and stand up for what is right. As it is in the sandbox, the rules regarding proper civil interaction are very simple: play nicely, be kind, share your resources and strive to be respectful to everyone. These rules do not change as we become adults. Therefore, it should not be difficult to recognize when someone has crossed the line, nor should it be difficult to know when to speak out.

When it comes to hate and bigotry, there is no nuance. When it comes to issues of sexual harassment and abuse, there is no nuance. Yet, for far too long those who witness these behaviors often sit on the sidelines in silence. As victims of harassment and hatred are finally finding their voices in the public domain, we need to be listening in order to respond appropriately. We need to be part of the dialogue and part of the broader solution.

With regards to sexual harassment, a recent poll from ABC News and the Washington Post found that 54 percent of American women report having received unwanted and inappropriate sexual advances. With regards to hatred and bigotry, anti-Semitic attacks are up over 86% since January of 2017.

These statistics should concern and disturb all of us. They reflect a huge national problem which must be addressed by society at large. We need to remember that Civil Rights were not just a "black problem," the Holocaust was not just a "Jewish problem" and sexual harassment and discrimination are not just a "woman's problem."

Each of these morally reprehensible issues compromises our civility and exposes the worst aspects of our humanity. They are concerns we must address with a sense of urgency, and none should remain silent. Please know my office is a safe place to discuss these matters. There are also many resources throughout the City of Houston that can help victims cope in healthy ways.

We are commanded by our faith to love our neighbors, be kind to strangers and stand up for the dispossessed. It is, therefore, incumbent on us to raise our voices in unity in the face of injustice and immorality. In the face of the collapse of general rules of respect in the workplace, in the home and in society at large, we may just need to find our way back to the simple rules of sandbox play.

December Calendar

1	6:00 PM 6:15 PM 7:15 PM	Tot Shabbat Family Shabbat Dinner Family Shabbat Services
2	10:00 AM	Book Discussion of <i>The Graffiti I Didn't Do, The Prison Time I Did</i> with author, Betty Baer
3	9:00 AM	Mitzvah Day
4	10:00 AM	Senior Chai Yoga Class
6	10:00 AM 1:00 PM 7:00 PM	Senior Chai Mah Jongg Senior Chai Colored Pencils Think & Drink Event for Young Adults at Pub Fiction
8	7:15 PM	Shabbat Services
9	10:30 AM	Bat Mitzvah of Lilly Harrison
10	9:00 AM 2:00 PM	Religious School Family Breakfast Film Screening: <i>On The Map</i>
11	10:00 AM	Senior Chai Yoga Class
12	10:00 AM 11:30 AM 7:00 PM	Senior Chai Chanukah Program Knitzvah Group Board Meeting Chanukah begins at sundown
13	10:00 AM 1:00 PM	Senior Chai Mah Jongg Senior Chai Colored Pencils
15	7:15 PM	Shabbat Services: Chanukah Shabbat
16	5:30 PM	Bar Mitzvah of Jake Schnur
17	9:30 AM	Religious School: Great Chanukah Scavenger Hunt
18	10:00 AM	Senior Chai Yoga Class
20	10:00 AM 1:00 PM	Senior Chai Mah Jongg Senior Chai Colored Pencils
22	7:15 PM	Shabbat Services
24	2:00 PM	No Religious School 8th Annual Jewish/Muslim Christmas
25	10:45 AM	Christmas at Turning Point Center
29	7:15 PM	Shabbat Services
31		No Religious School

January Calendar

3	10:00 AM 1:00PM	Senior Chai Mah Jongg Senior Chai Colored Pencils
4	6:30 PM	Adult Beginning Hebrew Reading Class
5	6:00 PM 6:15 PM 7:15 PM	Tot Shabbat Family Shabbat Dinner Family Shabbat Services
6	1:00 PM	Social Action Project: Houston Food Bank
7		No Religious School
8	10:00 AM	Senior Chai Yoga Class
9	11:30 AM 7:00 PM	Knitzvah Group Board Meeting
10	10:00 AM 10:30 AM 1:00 PM	Senior Chai Mah Jongg Interest Group: Presentation by the Alzheimer's Association Houston & Southeast Texas Chapter Senior Chai Colored Pencils
11	6:30 PM	Adult Beginning Hebrew Reading Class
12	7:15 PM	Got Shabbat: Gospel Shabbat
13	5:30 PM	Bar Mitzvah of Levi Fox
14	9:00 AM	Religious School Family Breakfast
15	10:00 AM	Senior Chai Yoga Class
17	10:00 AM 1:00 PM	Senior Chai Mah Jongg Senior Chai Colored Pencils
18	6:30 PM	Adult Beginning Hebrew Reading Class
19	7:15 PM	Shabbat Services
21	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Religious School Book Discussion: <i>Small Great Things</i> by Jodi Picoult with discussion led by Dena Marks of the ADL
22	10:00 AM	Senior Chai Yoga
23	11:30 AM	Knitzvah Group
24	10:00 AM	Senior Chai Mah Jongg
25	TBD 6:30 PM	Senior Chai National Weather Service Tour Adult Beginning Hebrew Reading Class
26	7:15 PM	Shabbat Services
28	9:30 AM	Religious School
29	10:00 AM	Senior Chai Yoga Class
30		Tu B'Shevat begins at sundown
31	10:00 AM	Senior Chai Mah Jongg

Family Shabbat Friday, December 1 and January 5

Tot Shabbat: 6:00PM
Dinner: 6:15PM
Family Services: 7:15PM

December Menu: Brisket, latkes, veggies, salad, Mac n cheese, nuggets. January menu will be available in reflections.



For Our Tots: Tot Shabbat Services on December 1 and January 6 at 6:00PM. Join us for Shabbat fun.

Your Hands Can Make a Difference Mitzvah Day 2017 December 3 from 9:00AM-12:30PM



ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Honors and Memorials Fund

In honor of Ellie Chaikind for the great Halloween Sup & Swap event

From **Johnita and Bob Lebow**

In honor of Justin Deutsch

From **Anonymous**

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In memory of Martha Ainsworth and Edith Gross

From **Mel, Nancy, David, Priscila and Johnny Gross**

Mitzvah Day

From **Theresa Velez**

In honor of Justin Deutsch

From **Isabelle Bukhbinder**

General Operating Fund

From **David Aguilar**

From **Ted and Maria Johnson**

From **Manon Shields**

Sponsored Oneg

From **Ted and Maria Johnson**

In honor of Madeline's birthday

From **Feinberg Family**

Welcome New Members

Deanna Sline

Alex and Rachel Kramer

Brag and Boast



Mazel Tov to Lilly Harrison, daughter of Lauren and Geoff, who will become a Bat Mitzvah on December 9.



Mazel Tov to Jake Schnur, son of Takako and Alan, who will become a Bar Mitzvah on December 16.



Mazel Tov to Levi Fox, son of Lesley and Gordon, who will become a Bar Mitzvah on January 13.

Our heartfelt condolences...

On the death of Arnold Leidner, grandfather of Sarah Percy and her husband, Ryan, and great-grandfather of Elliana and Ethan Percy, who passed away Wednesday, November 22.

May the memory of our beloved ones always remain a blessing to those who were graced by their presence.



HCRJ has launched a major legacy gift giving program called the **L'Dor VaDor Legacy League**. Help secure our future for generations to come by including HCRJ in your will. For information about the **L'Dor VaDor Legacy League** contact Melissa at hcrj@hcrj.org.

Sabbath Oneg Sponsorships - A wonderful mitzvah opportunity awaits you!

Celebrate a life cycle event or honor a loved one by sponsoring a Friday Night Oneg (Sabbath reception), a Family Sabbath Dinner or a Religious School Breakfast. These events represent just some of the ways our community gathers in fellowship, and your sponsorship enables us to frame these occasions with additional beauty and joy.

If you wish to sponsor a meal or a Sabbath reception, please let us know by filling out the form below or by contacting the temple at least two weeks prior to the event. Thank you for your ongoing support of HCRJ.

- ☐ Sabbath Oneg —\$100.00
- ☐ Religious School Breakfast—\$100.00
- ☐ Family Shabbat Dinner —\$150.00
- ☐ Contribution to Arrangements Fund—\$_____

December and January Oneg Sponsorships

December 1: Available to sponsor.

December 8: Sponsored by Harrison Family in honor of Lilly's Bat Mitzvah

December 15: Sponsored by the Schnur Family in honor of Jake's Bar Mitzvah

December 22: Sponsored by Miriam and Allan Graber in honor of Miriam's birthday.

December 29: Available to sponsor.

January 5: Available to sponsor.

January 12: Oneg sponsored by the Fox Family in honor of Levi's Bar Mitzvah.


January 19: Available to sponsor.

January 26: Available to sponsor.

got shabbat?

Upcoming Shabbat Programs


Chanukah Shabbat **December 15 at 7:15PM**

 Join us for our congregational observance of Chanukah on this fourth night of our Festival of Lights. Following services, potato latkes and apple sauce will be the highlight of the evening at our latke oneg.

Gospel Shabbat **January 12 at 7:15PM**

Join us for a special Gospel Sabbath in January. In honor and memory of the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., our Sabbath music will be sung by a Gospel choir.

HCRJ's Olympics Shabbat **February 9 at 7:15PM (Dinner at 6:00 PM)**

 Join us for a Korean Dinner and Shabbat Service followed by an Olympics Oneg as we watch the opening ceremonies on the big screen. Invitation will be emailed out in January.



SAVE THE DATE

FOR A SINGLES MIXER

WE INVITE JEWISH SINGLES IN THEIR 50S AND 60S FOR A SPECIAL MIXER AND PROGRAM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST AT 6:30
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Houston, Texas 77056

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FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO ADD YOURSELF OR A FRIEND TO THE MAILING LIST, EMAIL ADMIN@HCRJ.ORG

Chanukah at HCRJ

The Great Chanukah Scavenger Hunt



On December 17, Religious School students of all ages will hunt for clues to uncover the story of Chanukah! Sufganiyot will be served and there will be prizes for all!

Annual HCRJ Chanukah Store

Our Chanukah Store is now open! Come check out the store on December 1 during Family Shabbat and on December 3 and 10 during Mitzvah Day and Religious School to see all of the great items we have available! Get your candles, wrapping paper, Chanukah decorations, menorahs, gifts and more. Proceeds benefit the Religious School. Volunteers are still needed. Please contact Hilary Kamin at hilaryk@hcrj.org if you are able to assist.

Chanukah Shabbat: December 15. See more info above.

The 8th Annual Jewish / Muslim Christmas

Sunday, December 24, 2:00 to 4:00PM at HCRJ



Jews and Muslims have a lot in common, and each year on Christmas Eve day, we celebrate these similarities with our annual Jewish / Muslim Christmas. This year our time together is more important than ever before.

Each of our faiths have the concept of tzedakah. This year we will explore Jewish and Muslim similarities regarding the commandment on giving. Part of the afternoon will include making tzedakah boxes together.

Christmas Lunch at Turning Point Center

December 25, 10:45AM — 12:00PM

It has become an HCRJ tradition to serve a Christmas lunch and sing Christmas songs to the residents of the Turning Point Center shelter. We need volunteers, so if your family is able to lend a hand, please join us in fulfilling this beautiful mitzvah on Christmas Day.

Please RSVP to admin@hcrj.org so we can plan accordingly, or call the office at 713-782-4162. This has become a very special day for us and for the residents at the Turning Point Center. We hope you can join us!

Senior Chai

Living Life over 60

The Senior Chai program is dedicated to enriching the lives of those 60 and above. As Senior Chai enters its third year, we are excited to continue offering a variety of social, educational and recreational activities to the community. Through the generosity of the Shelby and Barg families all programs are offered at minimal or no cost. Keep your eyes open this year for concerts, a senior safety fair, movies, art classes, trips, speakers and more. Your input is valuable to us in shaping a calendar of events that meet your interests, so please send any programming ideas to hcrj@hcrj.org.

Chanukah Program

Tuesday, December 12, 10:00AM to 11:00AM No cost to attend.

HCRJ's Senior Chai program and the YMCA will once again be joining together for a hands-on learning experience. Come spin the dreidel, eat latkes and learn about Chanukah as Rabbi Gross leads a discussion on the traditions of this holiday. This class is designed to engage guests of all faiths. Open to the community and no cost to attend.

National Weather Service Tour

January 25, timing TBD

In January we will be taking a tour of the National Weather Service office in Dickinson, TX. Join us as we learn about how forecasts and weather warnings are generated to the greater Houston area. Timing and details will be available in the coming weeks.

Yoga Class

Mondays, 10:00AM to 11:15AM No cost to attend.

Taught by Suzy Shapiro, a certified yoga instructor, this class will focus on strength and stamina, balance and flexibility, and a new sense of well-being. Please sign up with Melissa Wolfson at hcrj@hcrj.org if you would like to attend.

Mah Jongg

Wednesdays from 10:00AM to 12:00PM No cost to attend.

Join us for a weekly game of mah jongg! Coffee and light snacks are served.

Senior Chai is also underwriting the film screening of the movie, *On the Map*, on December 10. For information on this program please see below. To sign up for Senior Chai programs, please contact Melissa Wolfson at 713-782-4162 or hcrj@hcrj.org.

Interest Group

Wednesday, January 10 at 10:30AM

Join us for our January Interest Group as Dan Kroll from the Alzheimer's Association Houston & Southeast Texas Chapter visits HCRJ to present, "Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body: Tips from the Latest Research". For centuries, we've known that the health of the brain and the body are connected. But now, science is able to provide insights into how to make lifestyle choices that may help you keep your brain and body healthy as you age. Join us to learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement, and use hands-on tools to help you incorporate these recommendations into a plan for healthy aging.

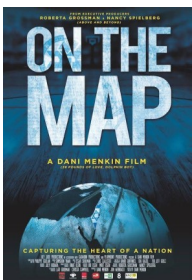
Come early for bagels and coffee! Sign up with Justin at 713-782-4162 or admin@hcrj.org.

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Film Screening: On The Map

Sunday, December 10, 2:00PM

No cost to attend, donations appreciated



Join us in December for our next film screening at Houston Congregation for Reform Judaism! *On The Map* tells the against-all-odds story of Maccabi Tel Aviv's 1977 European Championship, which took place at a time when the Middle East was still reeling from the 1973 Yom Kippur War, the 1972 Olympic massacre at Munich, and the 1976 hijacking of an Air France flight from Tel Aviv. Through the lens of sports, *On The Map* presents a much broader story of how one team captured the heart of a nation amidst domestic turmoil and the global machinations of the Cold War.

The film recounts how an underdog Israeli basketball team prevailed over a series of European basketball powers, including CSKA Moscow (known in the West as "Red Army"), a team that repeatedly refused to compete against Israeli competitors. Moments after this highly charged and historic win, Israeli-American basketball hero Tal Brody became an indelible part of a young country's history when he famously said, "Israel is On the Map, not just in sport, but in everything."

Popcorn, lemonade and water will be provided. To sign up, please contact Justin at 713-782-4162 or admin@hcrj.org.

Marriage and Merlot



Wednesdays in February we will begin a special program for engaged and recently married couples. With wine and cheese setting the tone for the program, Rabbi Gross and his wife, Beckye, will facilitate a series of discussions designed to help couples explore issues of intimacy, communication and finances in a safe and non-threatening environment.

The size of this program will be limited to ten couples, so if you are interested in participating, please contact Melissa Wolfson at hcrj@hcrj.org.

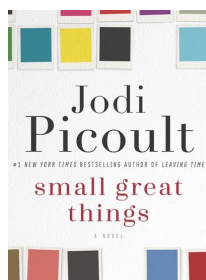
Jewish Culture Fest Hosted by the JCC Sunday, December 17, 2:00PM-6:00PM Evelyn's Park Conservancy 4400 Bellaire Boulevard



FREE and open to the public this event will be an afternoon celebrating Jewish culture for all ages. Featuring live music, local crafts and Judaica, specialty foods, art and mitzvah projects, and an amazing Summer Camp Fun Tent! Performances by the Kosher Klezmer Band, ShirLaLa Children's Concert and more.

For more information visit erjchouston.org/culturefest

Book Discussion: *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult Sunday, January 21, 10:30AM



Join us for our next book discussion! We will discuss *Small Great Things*, a #1 New York Times Bestseller! With richly layered characters and a gripping moral dilemma that will lead readers to question everything they know about privilege, power, and race, *Small Great Things* is the stunning new page-turner from Jodi Picoult.

Small Great Things can be purchased online on Amazon and at Barnes & Noble among other places.

Dena Marks, Associate Director of the Anti-Defamation League, will lead our discussion. A light breakfast will be provided. To sign up, contact Justin at 713-782-4162 or admin@hcrj.org.



Adult Beginning Hebrew Reading Class

Thursdays, January 4 – March 8, 6:30-7:30PM

Only \$80 per person – includes all 10 classes and course materials

Have you always wanted to learn how to read Hebrew? Here's your chance! Join us for our Adult Beginning Hebrew Reading Class at HCRJ starting in January! This class assumes no prior knowledge of Hebrew reading. You will learn the Hebrew alphabet in small steps, a few letters at a time until you have mastered the whole alphabet. At the end of 10 weeks, you will be able to read anything written in Hebrew: The Prayer Book, Passover Haggadah and more! You will also be introduced to some basic Hebrew vocabulary. Taught by Lynn Abrams, this class will be informal and fun and every person in the class will succeed in learning Hebrew. Lynn has taught Hebrew to adults for many years at Houston synagogues and the Jewish Community Center. She herself learned Hebrew as an adult while living for six years in Israel. *She has yet to meet anyone who cannot learn Hebrew!* Space is limited! Please contact Justin at 713-782-4162 or admin@hcrj.org to register.

Social Action Project: Houston Food Bank Saturday, January 6 1:00-4:00PM



Join our social action group as we return to the Houston Food Bank to volunteer. The Houston Food Bank provides 79 million nutritious meals to food pantries, soup kitchens, senior centers and other agencies, feeding 800,000 people each year. Our responsibilities will include inspecting, sorting and repackaging donated food items for community distribution. The Houston Food Bank is located at 535 Portwall Street, Houston, TX 77029. This is a project appropriate for all ages.

To join us, please contact Justin at 713-782-4162 or admin@hcrj.org.

Programs for our Youth

Judaic Craft Night for 3rd grade and older

December 2, 4:00 to 6:00 PM

Come and make a menorah, a seder plate and other Star of David crafts. This is a fun evening to make new memories such as a menorah you may have lost during the flood, or a first ever homemade seder plate to add to your special possessions. \$30 covers the cost of ONE glass fused, one of a kind seder plate, menorah and other special Judaic items. RSVP with your check to Michelle at hcrjyouth@hcrj.org

Kick Off the Year Part II for Middle Schoolers

January 20 at 6:00 PM

Harvey may have thwarted our plans for the fall but we will not take it lying down. Join us for a stretch HUMMER progressive dinner. Appetizers at one stop, dinner at another and dessert at a third. All will be a surprise and guaranteed to be a good time. \$30 per person RSVP to Michelle at hcrjyouth@hcrj.org

Winter Conclave for High School Students in Dallas/Fort Worth: January 26-28th

Register online all the details <https://greene.org/event/winter-conclave/>

BIRTHDAYS

12/1 Sherry Davis
12/4 Patricia Will
12/4 Darrell Rosenthal
12/5 Scott Bernstein
12/5 Stephanie Fuller
12/5 Lisa Cashion
12/6 Jeannie Mandell
12/8 Nancy Huckle
12/9 Mary Silberman
12/9 Ron Fisher
12/9 Jessica Lynn Speer
12/10 Jodi Vazquez
12/12 Melanie Cremins
12/14 Ken Kantor
12/16 Hank Lam
12/16 Julie Herman
12/17 Alan Schnur
12/17 Jimmy Jones
12/17 Lindsay Jones
12/17 Nicole Goldin
12/17 Michelle Leben
12/18 Robert Smith
12/18 Stacy Graubart
12/19 Teri Goldfield
12/20 Randall Anhalt
12/20 Bruce Spain
12/21 Miriam Graber
12/21 Leatrice Rabalais
12/21 Adriana Bain
12/21 Steven Wolfson
12/22 Sean McGuire
12/22 Brad Sondock
12/23 Linda Debrovner
12/23 Dave Koenig
12/25 Katherine Buck
12/25 Rochelle Sinderbrand
12/27 Michael Lore
12/27 Richard Gaudette
12/27 Kitty Kahn
12/27 David Lipshutz
12/28 Linda Gross
12/28 Michael Appel
12/28 Stacy Gonzalez
12/29 Stephanie Rosen
12/29 Efisio Farris
12/29 Jim Farrell
12/29 Andrea Steel
12/30 Martha Lewis
12/30 Marc Levinson
12/31 Megan Bladen-Blinkoff
1/2 Chad Shaw
1/2 Debbie Turk
1/2 Benjamin Silverstein
1/3 Carol Appelbaum
1/4 William Podorzer
1/5 Barbara Markman
1/6 Sarah Mushlin
1/7 Joshua Tabin
1/8 Karen Frumovitz
1/9 Matthew Tenny
1/10 Jorge Zuniga
1/10 David Bain
1/11 Israel Naman
1/13 Gary Dante
1/14 Sheila Loewenstern
1/15 June Diamond
1/16 Ian Baron
1/16 Ruth Schlanger
1/17 Lois Biro

1/19 Barbara Hurwitz
1/20 David Frankfort
1/20 Rachelle Goldman
1/20 Ginger Greenberg
1/21 Deborah Bernstein
1/22 Lee Brinker
1/22 Andrea Joseph
1/22 Mark Brinker
1/23 Herbert Silberman
1/24 Abbe Forman
1/26 Rob Householder
1/26 Candy Novak
1/27 Luisa Dossi
1/28 Lauren Salomon
1/28 Nadia Sabat
1/28 Anne Graubart
1/29 Randy Czarlinsky
1/29 Sybil Roos
1/29 Melissa Hudson
1/31 Ron Bernosky

KIDS BIRTHDAYS

12/3 Noa Shaw
12/4 Riley Paul
12/6 Parker Turk
12/6 Isabelle Avedesian
12/8 Analia Salomon
12/9 Joshua Sucec
12/9 Anastasia Rabalais
12/10 Michael Bell
12/10 Anna Siegel
12/10 Julian Meyer
12/11 Alexander Sweetland
12/12 Ann Lerner
12/12 Mariajose Perez
12/16 Zachary Danek
12/17 Matthew McGuire
12/17 Logan Eagle
12/18 Jared Gonzales
12/21 David Helfand
12/22 Valerio Farris
12/25 Andrew GomeI
12/26 David Czarlinsky
12/27 Benjamin Bain
12/28 Austin O'Malley
12/28 Lauren Gross
12/29 Molly Cashion
1/1 Margot Rosenthal
1/2 Drake Goldman
1/4 Maya Vazquez
1/4 Amanda Rosenfield
1/4 Lewis Graubart
1/7 Julia Jameson
1/9 Brooke Wolfson
1/9 Simon Jerden
1/9 Evie Sline
1/10 Caroline McElroy
1/10 Jacqueline Touchet
1/10 Brett Leben
1/11 Eli Bernosky
1/15 Shayna Brochstein
1/15 Samuel Wise
1/16 Matteo Frankfort
1/19 Jonathan Sweetland
1/19 Jordan Kassab
1/21 Juliet Dow
1/21 Nathaniel Dow
1/21 Sophia Reed
1/21 Audrey Reed

1/24 Nathan Touchet
1/24 Joshua Kassab
1/28 Beatrice Graubart
1/29 Julia Speer
1/29 Allison Bernstein
1/31 Gabriella Rosenwasser

ANNIVERSARIES

12/11 Don & Sue Sue Aron
12/17 Jerry & Fran Lowe
12/18 Brent & Gayle Speer
12/22 Melvyn Douglass & Jeanette McBee
12/24 Barry & Marge Okin
12/28 Paul & Frances Feinberg
12/29 Barry & Kay Russ
12/30 Christopher & Rachelle Goldman
1/1 Herb & Judy Fred
1/2 Warren & Mitzie Krams
1/3 David & Cindy Lipshutz
1/5 Dan & Doyleene Markman
1/7 Gary & or Michael Nathanson
1/8 Ron & Missy Bernosky
1/11 Jeff & Rita Williams
1/12 Wayne Dorris & Jacqueline Hecht
1/17 Dennis Sucec & Debra Hurwitz
1/19 LeRoy & Adelle Shaw
1/20 Gary & Cathy Dante
1/23 John & Suzanne Landa
1/29 Gary & Eileen Muslin

YARZEITS

12/1 Conner Anhalt
12/1 Betty Calderon
12/2 Goldene Blinkoff
12/2 Louis Pleason
12/2 Robert Lozner
12/3 Michael Paul
12/3 Bertha Miller
12/5 Sarah Chaikind
12/6 Dorothy Green
12/6 Henry Roos
12/7 Joseph Liebling
12/7 Albert Lichtenstein
12/7 Marvin Pleason
12/8 Harvey Rosen
12/9 Rose Ginsburg
12/9 Joan Brown
12/10 Elba Madebach
12/10 Adrian Levy, Jr.
12/11 Susan Rosen
12/11 Sid Rubin
12/11 Sandra Cameron
12/11 Michelle Maloney
12/11 Drew Michaels
12/12 Flora Katz
12/12 Elba Madebach
12/13 Betty Farrell
12/13 Gus Herrman
12/13 Jerry Motley
12/13 Rose Miller
12/13 Lisa Blackmur
12/13 Betty Farrell
12/13 Florence Flesh
12/13 Nancy G. Pines
12/13 Carolyn Schmulen
12/11 Lou Warshaw

12/17 Brian Danek
12/17 C. David Samson
12/17 Mamie Naman
12/17 David Samson
12/17 Harriet Weinerman
12/18 Charles Friedenthal
12/19 Andrew White
12/21 Ralph Minchen
12/21 Mamie Smith
12/22 Chuck Selber
12/23 Calvin Levinson
12/23 Ann Rayford
12/24 Harry Ginsburg
12/24 Marian Baron
12/24 Edith Schacter
12/24 Eugene More
12/24 Alden Cohen
12/25 Louis Smith
12/27 Ethel Carton
12/27 Robert Lawch
12/29 Isadore Fred
12/30 Philip Silberman
12/31 Dorothy Innerarity
1/1 Bernard Goldfield
1/2 Paul Wilensky
1/3 Max Sapsowitz
1/3 Beatrice Levy
1/4 Barbara Bortugno
1/4 Myron Appel
1/5 Angie Rabalais
1/5 Roberta Samsky
1/6 John Landa
1/6 Dora Salomon
1/7 Bess Silverman
1/7 Harry Gross
1/12 Morris Lait
1/13 Irving Appelbaum
1/13 Margaret Veta
1/15 Sheldon Kaufman
1/17 Joel Zaritzky
1/17 Tillie Berman
1/19 Gertrude Greenfeld
1/20 Fannie Roth
1/21 Paul Brochstein
1/22 Morris Lewis
1/23 Frank Bearden
1/24 Tobe Berman
1/24 Shel Mitelman
1/25 Ben Shaw
1/25 Jerome Schwartz
1/25 Sarah Nathanson
1/26 Ernest Weil
1/29 Maurice Blinkoff
1/29 Mildred Munson
1/29 Armand Roos
1/30 Sheila Newar
1/30 Robyn Retsky
1/31 Shirley Strauss
1/31 John Scattiglio
1/31 Edna Bennett

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You are invited to join HCRJ
 for our monthly



December 1, 2017
 Dinner 6:15 pm
 Sabbath Services 7:15 pm

\$5.00 per person

Please feel free to bring a side dish to show off your culinary talents.

December Family Shabbat Menu

Brisket, latkes, veggies, salad,
 Mac n cheese, nuggets

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Newsletter articles, suggestions for articles and corrections are welcome. Deadline for submission is the 15th of the month.