

# THE SHOFAR

The Monthly Bulletin of the BJCC

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## SCHEDULE OF SHABBAT SERVICES

[Saturday Shabbat services begin at 10:00 AM]

## SERVICES

Nov. 3–Chayei Sarah–Reform–M. Kranowski

Nov. 10–Toledot–Reform–S&M Kranowski

Nov. 17–Vayeitzei–Children's service\*\*

\*\*Followed by potluck lunch

Nov. 24–Vayishlach–Reform–E. Hallerman

## POTLUCK LUNCH, NOV. 17

On Nov. 17, we'll hold our regular potluck lunch after services (about 11:30 AM). Please bring a dairy or veggie dish to share.



## SHOFAR DEADLINE, NOV. 21

The deadline for submitting news for the next issue of the *Shofar* is Nov. 21. Send information to Richard at [richard@vt.edu](mailto:richard@vt.edu).

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear BJCC Members,

I would like to thank Stephen Scheckler for organizing the BJCC's sponsorship of the NAACP's 43rd Freedom Fund Banquet on October 13th. The mission of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is "to ensure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights of all persons and to eliminate race-based discrimination." Our wholehearted support of this mission was expressed by our 20 purchased tickets and attendance at the banquet.

Shalom, Marta Brinberg, BJCC President

## SPECIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL AND FAMILY PROGRAMS, NOV. 17 AND 18

### Sunday School-led Shabbat, Nov. 17

The Sunday School children will lead Shabbat services beginning at 10:00 AM, Sat., Nov. 17. Our ISJL (Institute for Southern Jewish Life) Fellow, Kesler Friedman, will lead the D'var Torah section of the service with a story appropriate for everyone. Come and support our Sunday School students, and enjoy a veggie/dairy potluck lunch following services. After lunch, Kesler will host an adult discussion (topic TBA). Please tell Wendy Silverman ([wssilverman@gmail.com](mailto:wssilverman@gmail.com)) if you will attend the lunch so we know how many bagels to purchase. Also inform Wendy if you will participate in the adult discussion so Kesler can prepare enough materials.

### Tot Shabbat Havdalah, Nov. 17

ISJL fellow Kesler Friedman will lead a Tot Shabbat Havdalah service for our youngest members and friends of the BJCC on Sat. evening, Nov. 17, 5:30 to 6:00 PM. The service is geared for children ages 0-5 years old. Please let Wendy know if you plan to attend.

### ISJL Family Program, Nov. 18

Kesler and Wendy will host a family program from 10:00 AM to noon on Sun., Nov. 18 at the BJCC. It promises to be fun, creative, and educational. Please inform Wendy if your family plans to join in this exciting event.

Please note: you do not need to be a BJCC member to attend any of the above events. Everyone is welcome.

**DUES ARE PAST DUE**

It is PAST time to pay your dues for 2018-2019. New members may join without payment for a complimentary first year. You can find a membership form and pay online on our website, [www.bjccblacksburg.org](http://www.bjccblacksburg.org). Alternatively, send a check to BJCC, Attn: Steve Scheckler, PO Box 782, Blacksburg VA 24063. Renewing members pay \$350 for a single membership and \$700 for a

family membership. Please pay your dues before the end of October—our operating budget depends on these funds! Contact Treasurer Steve Scheckler (stephen @ vt.edu) if you need to discuss a payment plan.

**HILLEL NEWS**

See the Hillel calendar, and obtain more info at <http://hillelatvirginiatech.com>

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 23 Cheshvan	2 24 Cheshvan	3 25 Cheshvan <a href="#">Parashat Chayei Sarah</a> Reform service
4 26 Cheshvan	5 27 Cheshvan	6 28 Cheshvan	7 29 Cheshvan	8 30 Cheshvan <a href="#">Rosh Chodesh Kislev</a>	9 1 Kislev <a href="#">Rosh Chodesh Kislev</a>	10 2 Kislev <a href="#">Parashat Toledot</a> Reform service
11 3 Kislev	12 4 Kislev	13 5 Kislev	14 6 Kislev	15 7 Kislev	16 8 Kislev	17 9 Kislev <a href="#">Parashat Vayitzei</a> Children's service followed by potluck lunch
18 10 Kislev	19 11 Kislev	20 12 Kislev	21 13 Kislev Deadline for Dec. issue of the <i>Shofar</i>	22 14 Kislev	23 15 Kislev	24 16 Kislev <a href="#">Parashat Vayishlach</a> Reform service
25 17 Kislev	26 18 Kislev	27 19 Kislev	28 20 Kislev	29 21 Kislev	30 22 Kislev	

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