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# THE SHOFAR

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The Monthly Bulletin of the BJCC

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## SCHEDULE OF SHABBAT SERVICES

[Saturday Shabbat services begin at 10:00 AM]

July 2–Korach–S&M Kranowski (Zoom)  
July 9–Hukkat–R. Scheckler (Zoom)  
July 16 at 10:30AM–Balak–E. Hallerman (at the  
Town Park)  
July 23–Pinchas–M&S Kranowski (BJCC)  
July 30–Mattot-Masei –R. Scheckler (Zoom)

## ALL KINDS OF SERVICES IN JULY!

We'll have three Zoom services this month, on July 2, 9, and 30. The service on July 16 will be outdoors at Shelter #9 in the Blacksburg Town Park and will start at 10:30 AM (not 10:00). The July 23 service will be in-person at the BJCC.

## SERVICE IN THE PARK, PICNIC, AND BJCC GENERAL MEETING, JULY 16

The BJCC has reserved Shelter #9 in the Town (Hand-in-Hand) Park for Shabbat services on Sat., July 16. Our shortened service starts at 10:30 AM, but you're welcome to kibitz with us beforehand. Afterwards, we'll welcome our new Executive Board members and have a group picnic. The BJCC will provide beverages but you'll need to bring your own food. While the kids are playing in the park, we will finish up with one small order of business—a presentation of the budget for the coming year.

Shelter #9 is the newest structure, located behind the tennis courts. To reach it from Patrick Henry Dr, enter the park at the Blacksburg Aquatic Center, drive past the skate park, and park in the lot in front of the tennis courts. From the end of the parking lot, walk down the path toward the caboose, but stay to the left at the first split in the trail.

Please feel free to bring your entire family.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I hope everyone is enjoying the warm (hot) weather in Blacksburg and elsewhere.

As I finish my second term as president, I would like to thank everyone who helped contribute to the life of the BJCC. This is such an inspiring grass-roots organization. All of your work—religious services, Sunday school, philanthropy, even this newsletter—are great examples of how you give back to your community. I think I talked about the term “frontier Judaism” when I first started in this position. Just like the European settlers breaking ground in America, we have carved out what it means to be Jewish in Blacksburg.

I hope all of you can find time to participate in our annual meetings being held on July 9 (virtually) and July 16 (in person). And I hope to see more of your contributions in the future!

Shalom, Dan, BJCC President

## CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Emmet Bonito Chandler, son of Leah Scheckler Chandler, and Lincoln Chandler, grandson of Rebecca and Stephen Scheckler, having been called to the Torah upon reaching the age of Bar Mitzvah.

## HILLEL NEWS

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



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## ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS

Our annual meeting process and election cycle for the Blacksburg Jewish Community Center will occur in two meetings:

At the first meeting, the congregation votes for president, president-elect, secretary, treasurer and members-at-large.

Between the first and second meetings, the new and old boards confer on a budget for the next year.

During the second meeting, typically held one week after the first, the budget is presented to the membership and then voted upon. This meeting corresponds to our annual business meeting and can include other issues for discussion.

The first meeting will be hosted virtually on Zoom July 9 at 11:15 AM, directly after services (but still in time for Kiddush!).

The second meeting will occur in person at Shelter #9 in the Town Park on July 16 at 11:30 AM, directly following our outdoor service. Feel free to bring a picnic lunch for your family. The BJCC will provide drinks and Kiddush grape juice (but no main-course foods).

## SHOFAR DEADLINE, JULY 25

The deadline for submitting news for the next issue of the *Shofar* is July 25. Send information to Richard at richard [at] vt.edu.

## BJCC Officers and Board Members 2021–22

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 4 Tamuz	4 5 Tamuz	5 6 Tamuz	6 7 Tamuz	7 8 Tamuz	8 9 Tamuz	9 10 Tamuz <a href="#">Parashat Hukat</a> Zoom service and annual meeting
10 11 Tamuz	11 12 Tamuz	12 13 Tamuz	13 14 Tamuz	14 15 Tamuz	15 16 Tamuz	16 17 Tamuz <a href="#">Parashat Balak</a> Outdoor service at Town Park at 10:30 AM
17 18 Tamuz	18 19 Tamuz	19 20 Tamuz	20 21 Tamuz	21 22 Tamuz	22 23 Tamuz	23 24 Tamuz <a href="#">Parashat Pinchas</a> Service at BJCC
24 25 Tamuz	25 26 Tamuz <i>Shofar</i> deadline	26 27 Tamuz	27 28 Tamuz	28 29 Tamuz	29 1 Av <a href="#">Rosh Chodesh Av</a>	30 2 Av <a href="#">Parashat Mattot-Masei</a> Zoom service
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