



Men's Club Shabbat and Kavod Award Program



Gary Solomon

**CBS Men's Club 2025
Kavod Award Honoree**

**May 3, 2025
5th of Iyar, 5785
Parshat Tazria-Metzorah**

Welcome to Congregation Beth Shalom for the 2025/5785 Men's Club Shabbat!

We, the members of the award winning Men's Club of Congregation Beth Shalom, are excited and honored to be leading Shabbat services this morning. We are pleased to once again have our amazing choir perform during this meaningful and spiritual Shabbat service. We are delighted to also present our 53rd Kavod Honoree, Gary Solomon. We are thrilled that you all are here to daven with us during this Shabbat.

Bob Goldwin, CBS Men's Club President

Shabbat Shalom and Welcome to Congregation Beth Shalom!

We seek to enrich the lives of our congregation through ever-evolving ideals of observance, life-long learning, and acts of kindness from this generation to the next. We are committed to meeting the spiritual, educational and social needs of our members through the practice of Conservative Judaism in an all-inclusive manner. We seek to encourage involvement and create a sense of belonging by serving our community, the Jewish people, and the State of Israel.

We hope you enjoy worshipping with us. Following services, please join us for kiddush luncheon and introduce yourself so we may personally greet you.

Senior Rabbi David Chapman ■ Senior Cantor Steven Stoehr
Sue Lampert, President ■ Rabbi Emeritus Carl Wolkin z'l

Schedule of Services

In-Person & Live Stream

Sunday & Legal Holidays @ 8:45 AM

Monday-Friday @ 7:45 AM

Sunday-Thursday @ 7:45 PM

CBS has now returned to daily in-person Minyanim. Please take an active role in our community by helping us make Minyan every morning & evening. Masks are now optional. If you are more comfortable, please continue to wear your mask.

If you're not feeling well, you should not attend any worship services, events, or programs, in person, at CBS.

Link to online Live Streaming (copy and paste into browser)

<https://www.bethshalomnb.org/pray/live-streaming>

Link to Siddur Lev Shalem (copy and paste into browser)

<https://www.bethshalomnb.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Siddur-Lev-Shalem-Shabbat-Morning.pdf>

This Week's Torah Reading

Parshat Tazria-Metzorah ♦ פָּרַשְׁתַּת תְּזַרְיַע מְצֹרָה

Leviticus 12:1-15:33

The portion begins by explaining the laws of ritual impurity associated with child birth. The Torah commands that boys born of a Jewish mother are to be circumcised on the eighth day. The Kohanim (the priests) are instructed on diagnosing tzara'at - an ailment that affected human skin or clothing. Those people or garments afflicted were considered ritually impure. Rashes, discolorations, and patches of the skin and clothes were to be examined by the priest, who would determine the existence of this affliction. In cases of doubt, the priest was empowered to isolate the individual or article in question for seven days to observe the progression of the ailment. At the end of this period, the priest would pronounce the person ritually pure (tahor) or afflicted (metzora). A person declared metzora had to tear his clothes, leave his head uncovered, and call out "Unclean! Unclean!" so others were protected from infection and impurity. A person afflicted with tzara'at remained impure as long as the ailment persisted, and he was required to live outside the camp. When tzara'at was found in clothing - wool, linen or animal skin - the Kohen would set the garment aside for seven days and then reexamine it. If the impurity spread, the garment was burned; if not, the garment was washed and set aside for an additional seven days. After this second period, the Kohen once again examined the garment. If the tzara'at had disappeared, the garment could be made pure again. If not, the garment was thrown to the fire.

This Week's Haftarah Reading

II Kings 7:3-20

As the haftarah begins, a man brings the prophet Elisha 20 loaves of bread. The prophet orders that the loaves be given to the people of the land, many of whom are suffering from poverty. Elisha's servant protests, insisting that it will not be enough for the crowd, but Elisha promises a miracle. His prediction comes true, and there is enough to feed everyone. The narrative jumps to the story of Naaman, a revered commander in the Aramean army. He was highly valued as a warrior and thought to be favored by God. However, strangely, he also has leprosy, which implies that there was a limit to this favor. One day, his wife's slave, who was originally from Israel, suggests that Naaman go to Samaria to be healed by a prophet there. Naaman asks permission from the Aramean king, who writes a letter to the king of Israel explaining that he is sending Naaman to be healed of his leprosy. When the king of Israel receives the letter, he thinks it is merely provocation to incite war, and tears his clothes in a gesture of mourning. Soon, he is visited by Elisha, who asks why he's mourning. The king explains, and Elisha replies with confidence in his own healing powers. When Naaman comes, however, Elisha's treatment is unexpected. The prophet tells Naaman to immerse himself seven times in the Jordan River. Naaman rants about how the Jordan is no better than the rivers back in Aramea, which apparently had failed to heal his leprosy. Naaman's followers aren't as quick to dismiss Elisha. So Naaman consents to follow Elisha's advice. He goes down to the Jordan, strips, and dips—and his flesh becomes clear like the flesh of a small child. He and his entourage return to Elisha. Naaman declares faithfulness to the God of Israel.

Congregational Gifts for S'machot

B'nai Mitzvah receive gifts from the congregation, Sisterhood, Men's Club, JUF, the Youth Commission and Rochelle Zell Jewish High School.

Gifts presented to those celebrating aufrufs and baby namings are provided by the Zaransky Family Ticktin Jewish Community Memorial Fund.

Synagogue Etiquette

In keeping with the spirit of Shabbat and to respect your fellow worshipers, please refrain from taking photographs, smoking and writing. If you must be accessible, please set your phone on silent. Please do not use your cell phone anywhere inside the building.

If you have any questions, please see one of our volunteer Shabbat Ambassadors or Greeters.

We invite you to visit www.BethShalomNB.org for more information about Beth Shalom and our many events, classes and programs happening throughout the year! **All CBS religious services are live streamed.**

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Men's Club Choir

Fred Fisher
Howard Jacob
Neil Rosengard

Steve Grad
Robert Marder
Michael Schnitzler, Director

Dr. Joel Greenman
Howard Minkoff

Kavod Award Recipients

David Shapiro *	1973	Sherwin Meyers	2000
Marshall Graff *	1974	Arlen Lasinsky	2001
Leonard Silverman *	1975	Michael Balter	2002
Marvin Dishler *	1976	Jim Donenberg	2003
Leonard Mason	1977	Glen Roter	2004
Herb Rosenstein *	1978	Michael Schnitzler	2005
Harry Zale *	1979	Howard Freidin	2006
Art Small	1980	Marc Weinstein	2007
Lester Kurnick *	1981	Larry Levin	2008
Howard Michaels *	1982	Harold Dembo	2009
Dr. Henry Rabinowitz	1983	Dr. Michael Greenberg	2010
Fred Katzenstein *	1984	Dr. Jerry Agrest	2011
George Platt	1985	Bruce Bell	2012
Howard Sinton *	1986	Larry Grossman	2013
Fred Fisher	1987	Steven Elisco	2014
Norman Yudewitz *	1988	Dr. Robert Spector	2015
Dr. Joel Greenman	1989	Kevin Braude	2016
Marty Kahn *	1990	Brad Shaps	2017
Elliot Goldman	1991	Dr. Lee Shulman	2018
Fred Hakimian *	1992	Arnie Hoffman *	2019
Steve Lessman	1993	Raymond Rokni	2020
Eugene Chodash *	1994	Dr. David Hakimian	2021
Jack Knopoff	1995	Lawrence LeVine	2022
Saul Leibowitz	1996	Norman Padnos	2023
Stuart Horwitz *	1997	Randall Samborn	2024
Robert Marder	1998	Gary Solomon	2025
Joseph Kitzes *	1999		

*of blessed memory

*For dedicated service to the Congregation
 For unselfish giving to the Community
 For time and energy unlimited
 For devotion to God
 For exemplifying the highest ideals of our People*

FJMC Man of the Year Recipients

Elliot Goldman	1992	Neal Golden	2004	Howard Freidin	2016
Fred Hakimian *	1993	Bruce Bell	2005	Dan Sher	2017
Steve Lessman	1994	Harold Dembo	2006	Harvey Redfern	2018
Eugene Chodash *	1995	Raymond Rokni	2007	Howard Jacob	2019
Jack Knopoff	1996	Neal Blustein	2008	Don Pike	2020
Robert Marder	1997	Randall Samborn	2009	Scott Rogoff	2021
Jim Donenberg	1998	Glen Roter	2010	Richard Kurnick *	2022
Marc Weinstein	1999	Larry Grossman	2011	Neil Rosengard	2023
Arlen Lasinsky	2000	Alan Medansky *	2012	Steven Elisco	2024
Dr. Michael Greenberg	2001	Abe Drayer	2013	Dr. Jerry Agrest	2025
Alan Hurwick *	2002	Kevin Braude	2014		
Larry Levin	2003	Bradley Shaps	2015		

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2024-2025 Men's Club Officers

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Harold Schy *	Alan Morgan	Bradley Shaps
Daniel Lichtman *	Robert Marder	Harvey Redfern
Howard Michaels *	Melvyn Cohen	Larry Grossman
George Platt	Steven Lessman	Raymond Rokni
Marty Kahn *	Glen Roter	Scott Rogoff
Harry Zale *	Marc Weinstein	Dan Sher
Alan Redman	Arlen Lasinsky	Steven Elisco
Robert Lipshultz	Dr. Michael Greenberg	Steven Lessman
Eugene Chodash *	Jim Donenberg	Dr. Andrew Wagner

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The Men's Club encourages all adult male synagogue members to participate. Dues for first year synagogue members are free. For more information, please contact our Membership Vice President, Mitch Padnos.

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The Workings of Men's Club

The Congregation Beth Shalom Men's Club provides an opportunity to meet new people, see old friends, and enjoy good times, all while being of service to the synagogue and the community. We sponsor programs to entertain and educate. We assist with many arms of the Synagogue, but most importantly, the Men's Club promotes Brotherhood. We encourage all members of the Congregation Beth Shalom Community to attend our many events which include but are not limited to Sunday Breakfasts, Erev Thanksgiving, and Steaks in the Sukkah.

The following are recently completed and planned activities for the remainder of the year:

Sunday Breakfasts

Throughout the year, the CBS Men's Club provides breakfasts one or two Sundays a month. We either bring in our own speaker, which this year included Jordyn Scorpio from SHALVA and Marc Jacob, the author who wrote the book on the Harlem Globetrotters' founder, Abe Saperstein, or we provide breakfast in support of Carl Schrag and Israel in Depth.

Yom Beth Shalom: September 8, 2024

Yom Beth Shalom is an exciting event put on by Beth Shalom and we are proud to be the grill masters for this exciting day.

Steaks in the Sukkah: October 13, 2024

One of our yearly events, the members of the Men's Club host a meal of freshly grilled steaks and tasty side dishes in the wonderful outdoor Sukkah at Beth Shalom. This year, we enjoyed an early wakeup call with a British style tailgate, consisting of tasty goods like our own variation of bangers and mash as we watched our hometown Chicago Bears travel to London to take on the Jacksonville Jaguars.

Erev Thanksgiving: November 27, 2024

This is one of our flagship events. Each year on the night before Thanksgiving the Men's Club hosts a night of family fun and food. This year, we welcomed the famous Jesse White Tumblers to Beth Shalom to entertain and amaze kids and adults alike.

World Wide Wrap: February 9, 2025

As a great way to kick off Super Bowl Sunday, the Men's Club was one of over 200 congregations across the world to participate in the World Wide Wrap in conjunction with the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs. The tradition of wrapping tefillin, combined with an educational service, was a memorable experience.

Lox Box Fundraiser: March 3, 2025

We just completed our yearly Lox Box fundraiser and deliveries in early March. This year, we sold 1400 boxes for your homes, as gifts, and for donations which go directly to the Ark, CJE, and to local First Responders. It was a wonderful fundraiser and fun event for all involved.

Purim Carnival: March 9, 2025

CBS hosted their yearly Purim Carnival and, once again, the Men's Club was thrilled to be able to lend a helping hand (or hands) and take care of cooking and providing the food. It was another amazing day.

Sukkah

For the enjoyment of the entire congregation and to help with the fulfillment of the Mitzvah of the festival, the Men's Club constructs the congregation's sukkah each year, which is used for holiday celebrations and as a classroom by the school.

Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle Program

This is our 34th year honoring the Six Million by sending Israeli-made Holocaust Memorial Candles to all Beth Shalom families and college students to light on Erev Yom HaShoah, April 23, 2025.

Golf Outing: June 26, 2025

The Men's Club will again be hosting our always fun Men's Club golf outing. More information is forthcoming, but we hope you all can join us out on the links!!

CBS Youth Scholarships

The Men's Club's Youth Scholarship Fund helps subsidize our youth attending regional and international conventions.

Student Opportunity Scholarship Fund at the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center

The Men's Club fulfilled their commitment to raise \$10,000 in three years to provide funds for students to visit the IHMEC. Despite fulfilling the commitment, the Men's Club will continue to raise funds for this worthy endeavor through its Yom HaShoah yellow candle program.

Upcoming Synagogue Events

May 9-10	Ark Adventures	May 9	Anniversary Shabbat Selahbrate
May 10	Let There Be Play	May 16-18	Shabbaton
May 19	CBS Annual Meeting	May 21	Judy's Kitchen
May 24	Family Shabbat Services	May 26	CBS Office Closed for Memorial Day
May 28	Judy's Kitchen	May 31	Family Shabbat Services
June 1	Shavuot Dinner		

This Week's Yahrzeits

May 3 – 5 Iyar	May 4 – 6 Iyar	May 5 – 7 Iyar	May 6 – 8 Iyar
Majorie Barron Lillian Beckerman Esther Berkowitz Jerome Marvin Donenberg Alfred Feinstein Otylia Hornstein Feldstein Arthur Stanley Goldsmith Louis Gurvitz Bernard Hibnick Leon Korol Nussen ben Shmuel Kreiter Gertrude Lurie Finley Moss Gerald S. Nussbaum Rebecca Ofsaiof Louis Tatel Ed Weisman Rabbi Abraham Zemach	Thomas Binstein Peter Friend Morris Goldstein Max Goodman Hyman Greenband Irving Helfand Ethel T. Herman Anna Hoseman MaryAnne Hudak Ethel Long Steve Millman Seymour Piolet Barrett Rothenburg Natalie Rubin Jacob Schwartz Shirley Sostrin Adrienne Barr Weber Lawrence H. Wrobel	Bernard Auerbach Joshua Diesenhau Walter Freed Sofiya Kantor Morris Kaufman Doris Kessler Frieda Reifer Pearl Rose Harold Silverstein Emily Sisser Seena Sloan Samuel A. Victor Gary Viner	Gedy Ben-Dov Hyman Fridkin Jacob Levi Geller Leah Gertzfeld Susan Goldstein Celia Pestine Gerald Sisser
May 7 – 9 Iyar	May 8 – 10 Iyar	May 9 – 11 Iyar	
William H. Brown Louis H. Cohen Morris Hartzman Gene Jesselson Natahn Krefetz Carol Leff Maurice Mandell Morris Polay Israel Stebelman Max Vincent	Celia W. Ellis Sylvia Goldman Evelyn Kalter Minnie Kriesman Joseph Letwat Allan Neimar Daniel Raden Sheldon Yusim Samuel Zakon Celia Zaransky	Dora Abel Frances Agrest Helen Davis Robert Friedman Dr. Howard Glazier Donna Kay Lezberg LaDonna Rotman Gizella Schwartz Elaine H. Smith Ronald Wellner	

The Kiddush is co-hosted by:

The Congregation, the Congregation Beth Shalom Sisterhood, the Congregation Beth Shalom Men's Club, and the Laven Family Shabbat Celebration Fund.

Acknowledgements

The Men's Club would like to thank Rabbi Chapman, Cantor Stoehr, and Michael Garlin for their assistance and guidance with today's service. We would like to thank Randi Simon and Lisa Weisner, for assisting with preparation of the Torah readers and the Shabbat Guide. The Men's Club also extends its appreciation to the Sisterhood for the preparation of and for serving the beautiful Kiddush following the Service. In addition, thank you to the CBS staff for their assistance. We also give our heartfelt thank you to our families and friends for helping to make this a joyous and memorable occasion.

Thank you to all of our volunteer Shabbat Ambassadors, Gabbaim, Torah readers and Sisterhood servers for enhancing our services this morning!

Men's Club Prayer

Our God and God of our Ancestors, *Elohei v'elohei avoteinu*, on this Men's Club Shabbat, we express gratitude to our Creator for allowing us to gather together in safety and community.

We are grateful for the opportunity to serve Congregation Beth Shalom through supporting our programming, expanding our reach, and serving as mentors to the next generation.

We are blessed to serve as a conduit of Your divine nourishment through the many ways we sustain our community through food.

As it says in Your Torah, "*l'dor vador nagid godlekha*," we must proclaim your greatness from generation to generation. So, God, we ask for Your help in engaging the next generation in leadership of Men's Club.

Help us continue to expand programming and resources to support our neighbors and the broader Jewish community, here and in Israel.

As our sages say, "In times of prosperity, all men become brothers." Please help us attain prosperity so all of us can enjoy the blessings of brotherhood, fellowship and dedication.

God, we ask for Your blessing on our Men's Club, its leaders, and this entire congregation. Amen.

Steven Elisco and Rabbi David Chapman, 2023

- Engage members to participate and support Congregation Beth Shalom, our programs, and activities
- Encourage and develop a spirit of camaraderie and brotherhood
- Provide social and intellectual programs and activities for our enjoyment, education and growth
- Enhance and support the Jewish spiritual life of our members, their families, and our community

CBS Men’s Club: Winner of one bronze and two silver TORCH awards at the 2023 Federation of Jewish Men’s Clubs International Convention!



If you are interested in being a part of our community, please contact Michael Garlin, Executive Director.



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