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APRIL 2021 NISSAN - IYAR 5781



- 4/2 6:00 PM Shabbat Services (Zoom and Facebook Live Stream)
- 4/3 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Services (Zoom and Facebook Live Stream)
- 4/4 9:30 AM RS: No Classes - Passover / Spring Break
- 4/6 9:30 AM Adult Education - To Heal a Fractured World (Zoom)
- 7:30 PM Sisterhood Meeting
- 4/7 5:30 PM RS: 3rd-7th "One Plus" (Virtual)
- 4/9 6:00 PM Shabbat Services (Zoom and Facebook Live Stream)
- 4/10 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Services (Zoom and Facebook Live Stream)
- 4/11 9:30 AM RS: K-Confirmation Classes (Virtual)
- 4/13 7:30 PM Board Meeting
- 4/14 4:15 PM RS: "One Plus" (3rd-7th)
- 4/15 7:00 PM Religious School Committee Meeting
- 4/16 7:30 PM Bat Mitzvah Shabbat Services - Addison Schonherz
- 4/17 9:30 AM Bat Mitzvah Shabbat Services - Addison Schonherz
- 4/18 9:30 AM RS: K-Confirmation Classes (Virtual)
- 3:30 PM Sisterhood Event: Wine Tasting
- 4/20 7:30 PM Sisterhood Book Group Discussion
- 4/21 12:45 PM Interfaith Action Community General Meeting)
- 5:30 PM RS: 3rd-7th "One Plus" (Virtual)
- 7:00 PM Hesed (Social Action) Team Meeting
- 4/23 6:00 PM Shabbat Services (Zoom and Facebook Live Stream)
- 4/24 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning Services (Zoom and Facebook Live Stream)
- 4/25 9:30 AM RS: K-Confirmation Classes (Virtual)
- 4/26 7:30 PM Sisterhood: Jewish Genealogy Workshop (Zoom)
- 4/28 5:30 PM RS: 3rd-7th "One Plus" (Virtual)
- 4/30 6:00 PM Shabbat Services (Zoom and Facebook Live Stream)

From Rabbi Cutler's desk

Have you heard the one about how Jewish space lasers caused the California wildfires? A joke? Unfortunately, not.

This past month a newly public 2018 Facebook post written by then future lawmaker and now Congressional Representative for Georgia, Marjorie Taylor Greene in which she blames California's wildfires on the Pacific Gas and Electric Company in conjunction with the Rothschilds — the Jewish family most prominently featured in anti-Semitic conspiracy theories for about two centuries, claims that according to Greene, "Rothschild Inc" started the fires using a space laser, and its goal was to clear the way for a high-speed rail project. Greene has the distinction of being the first blatant QAnon supporter elected to Congress. Oy, how I wish this all were a joke!



If you haven't been following the news, QAnon is an umbrella term for a variety of conspiracy theories promoted on many virtual platforms, with hundreds of thousands of followers that claim there is a global cabal seeking to take over the world. Sound familiar? As an identifiable minority, we Jews have been the butt and victims of conspiracy theories seemingly forever.

There were some isolated pogroms, deadly mob attacks, on Jewish communities in the ancient world. For example, on the island of Elephantine in the Nile of ancient Egypt, Jews preparing for Passover were attacked by their neighbors for slaughtering sheep, sacred to the Egyptians at that time.

But violence escalated as the Big Lie that Christianity was built upon spread with the canonization of Christian Scripture and through the preaching and writing of the early Church Fathers: that we Jews refused to accept the divinity of Jesus because we are the agents of the Devil and we do everything we can to undermine God's work, killing Jesus for starters (though the truth is that only the Romans controlled the death penalty in Jesus' time).

Recognizing that Christian anti-Judaism provided fertile soil for popular local support for the Nazi's efforts to exterminate the Jews of Europe, the Catholic Church, and many Protestant Churches, officially rejected the anti-Jewish theology, upon which Christianity was founded, but did not systematically change their curriculums or the minds of many of their pastors and parishioners that for centuries had integrated anti-Judaism in everything from catechism to Christmas and Easter pageants.

By the Middle Ages, anti-Jewish conspiracy theories expanded to include the "blood libel:" that Jews slaughter Christian babies to use their blood in our rites, especially baking matza (an image evoked in current QAnon theories of child molestation). Never mind the truth that we Jews don't even eat the blood of animals according to our kosher laws and that we hold all human life sacred. By the 19th century, a Russian forgery called the *Protocols of the Elders of Zion*, politicized anti-Jewish into a full blow anti-Semitic world conspiracy theory, still popular to this day, claiming a Jewish cabal sought control over the world (evoked in the Rothchild laser conspiracy theory spread by Greene before her election but never renounced by her).

Over the centuries, these conspiracy theories resulted in the persecution and slaughter of entire communities, a much more brutal reality than the image we get in *Fiddler on the Roof*. If you think such violence cannot happen here, our Black neighbors know better, given deadly white vigilante attacks in 1908 in Springfield, Ill, 1921 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and 1923 in Rosewood, Florida, among other places. Conspiracy theories inspired the Pizzeria shooter and the shooter at Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh a few years ago. We saw a small taste of how conspiracy theories can launch mob violence on Jan. 6 during the storming of the Capitol.

Why do I share this painful historical review? This month we observe Yom Ha-Shoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day, on April 8th. The foundation of the Holocaust was based on a conspiracy. We witnessed the results of a conspiracy.

We also must remember not only the victims but those 27,212 individuals who risked everything, especially their families and lives, to rescue people whom many did not even know. Why? They stood up against the conspiracy.

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It was those individuals who refused to believe and accept the conspiracy. For example, during the Holocaust, only one nation, and only one national leader, stood up from the very beginning, denying the legitimacy of the Big Lie Hitler and his followers spread. In explaining how Denmark was able to save almost all its Jewish population, King Christian the Tenth once explained that the key was never allowing the lie of Jews being different to get a foothold. The King's clergy, government, police, farmers, fishermen and bus drivers, Danes of all walks of life, all took action immediately as a united nation against the lies that fermented hatred and violence. They did this not just for fellow Danes who were Jews, but also for all the Jewish refugees who had made it to Denmark. The entire legitimate government stood up together against the Nazi's Big Lie and even succeeded in getting most of the Jews who had been caught by the Nazis and sent to concentration camps freed. Imagine how history would have been so different if more nations stood up united against the Big Lies of anti-Semitism that the Nazis sold them?

You'd think this should be obvious. But as we know from recent history: if you repeat a lie often enough, more and more people will believe it. The only way to combat such lies, as the King of Denmark knew, is to confront them head on immediately and unambiguously. Otherwise, those lies will spread and grow and become the kind of Big Lies that damage the very fabric of human relationships and civil society, as we so learned this January. That is why to swear to the truth of an obvious lie, a big lie, is a really, big sin.

The danger presented by twisting the truth is so insidious and dangerous to a just and civil society. We have our work cut out for us, for lies repeated are believed by people and when folks believe something it is hard to change their minds. Hard, but not impossible. It will take leaders and all of us rank and file from left to right to reject these conspiracy theories, the code words that hint at them, and the political leaders who trade in them, as the King of Denmark did at the threat to his life and the life of his family.

It takes us being vigilant about what is taught in our schools and prepare our children to think critically and speak out when they see or hear something that sounds wrong. And it takes us holding our elected officials responsible for their part in perpetrating and enabling the Big Lie and the danger it presents and the damage it causes. If too many leaders are afraid of the political consequences of standing up for truth, then it is up to those of us who value truth to raise the political cost of not standing up to the Big Lie.

As for our family and friends who have drunk the 'kool-aide' and swallowed the lies: we can sustain a relationship of love that keeps the lines of communication open. The bad news is that everything we know about those who believe conspiracy theories is that they cannot see alternatives to their construction of reality.

So, instead of confronting them or trying to convince them of what you know is true or false, ask them discerning questions that seek to understand why they believe what they believe. Why do they believe as they believe? Ask for specifics. What led them to come to the position they now hold? Where did the evidence come from? Why do they think the source is reliable? Tone and honest interest is critical here: your goal is to understand, not to convince; to open a conversation, and also to explain calmly and with empathy how what you are hearing or seeing makes you feel, particularly if you can share your own personal or familial experiences to show why what is happening now frightens or worries you. Building upon our relationship — and building trust in the ability to have an empathetic conversation to understand rather than convince or score points — helps us slowly chip away at the false edifices of conspiracy theories that have redefined reality for them. It is a slow process, but a worthwhile one.

This is not easy work. But, to paraphrase the Talmudic sage Rabbi Tarphon, neither are we free to exempt ourselves from it. This is not about a Jewish space laser conspiracy theory we see as a joke. This is deadly serious. It is about our future as an American Jewish community, the future of the United States as a democracy that protects the rights of minorities, and the future of those around the world who look to us as a beacon of democracy, scientific inquiry, and civil society.

– Rabbi Jon

Warrior Women: **Sisterhood Making Inroads Every Day**

by Maxine Endy

Linda Jacowitz/Jaimee Helbein, Sisterhood Co-Presidents

We welcome the Sabbath bride into our homes every week, lighting the candles and saying the welcome Shabbat blessing. We are regaled with *Ashet Chayil*, Woman of Valor (Proverbs 31). Looking up the word *Chayil* (usually translated as *valor*) yields the definition *warrior*. The qualities we possess are not associated with visual "beauty", but rather with "service to family, trust, and industry," and, important to note, these qualities are not unique to married women in our world today; it is the woman, married or single, old or young, gay or straight, who excels in *ashet chayil* qualities.



The *Ashet Chayil* embodies "strength and dignity," wisdom and kindness" and she is surely an activist who works to make lasting and just changes in our society. Through the ages, in ways, small and large, Jewish women have been at the forefront of working to make change happen. Just look around; in so many ways, we excel. The battle to keep our children and our homes safe has led to women's rising up. We write our senators and congress members and we run for election to be those leaders. From the small to the large, we are at the forefront of change. We spearhead the drive as warriors for justice.

Maybe it's our personality. Maybe it's our calling. We do not sit idly by. When I wrote to our Sisterhood about their writing to our elected officials about gun violence control and school equity, we had scores of women getting out their pens and their computers. Whatever your project: end to violence, gun safety, clean water and air, property rights, immigration rights, gay rights, prison reform, equal education... according to Eli Wiesel, z.l., the most important words in the bible are "Thou shalt not stand idly by." Pick your project and raise awareness in your community. There are many projects at Sisterhood and in the BICC Community. Come join us as we make change for good.

Sisterhood Snippets...and Calendar Notes



Thank you to Tara Harlander and Hannah Campbell for the March 2nd stimulating and educational program about cancer risks at which 17 people attended.

Wine Tasting Sunday, April 18, 3:30 PM

We will meet in the BICC parking lot. Please sign up on the SignUp Genius. We have a limit of 23 adults of drinking age. For \$10 you will learn about wines and taste 6 different varieties. Snacks will be provided, but bring some more snacks if you like, and a chair. We are hoping for lovely weather! Join us!

Sisterhood Book Group Discussion

Sisterhood Book Group discussed *Memento Park* by Mark Sarvas. In March On **Tues, April 20**, 7:30pm – 9:00pm, the group will discuss Carroll, James, *The Cloister: A Novel*. Please contact Anne Suss if you would like the link to the Sisterhood Book Group Discussion.

Genealogy Workshop Monday, April 26, 7:30 pm

Where do you come from? Finding your Roots can be fun! See flyer in this issue.

Rabbi Scott teaches participants how to conduct genealogical research from home using online resources. The session will last 1 ½ hours. Rabbi Scott focuses on research here in the US and back in the "old country" along with Holocaust-related research. He will share his screen and take participants through the steps of doing the research. Participants will receive a handout with great information! Join us!

Sisterhood of Beth Israel of Chester County

JEWISH GENEALOGY WORK- SHOP

MONDAY, APRIL 26
7:30 PM- 9:00 PM
Via Zoom



Presented by Pearl Endy Adult Education Fund for BICC members

Guests: Register mtendy@verizon.net for the zoom link

Workshop led by Rabbi Scott Kalmikoff, a genealogist from New York City who has spent the past 14 years exploring his roots, building his family tree and meeting relatives around the world.

By walking you through the steps he took to conduct his personal genealogical research, Rabbi Scott will teach you the methodology of searching for records & documents, analyzing them & using the information they contain to build your family tree. The workshop gives you an overview of online Jewish genealogical resources so you can use them from the comfort of your home.

Rabbi Scott's hope is to excite you about genealogy & empower you to conduct the research on your own. For Rabbi Scott, genealogy isn't just a hobby or profession. Genealogy is a wonderful journey of personal exploration & self discovery. While learning about our ancestors we learn about ourselves. While learning about our history we connect with & deepen our Jewish identities. Jewish history & our families' stories are *our story* & deeply influence who we are today in ways we may never fully comprehend. Genealogical research provides us with a precious gift we can pass to the next generation, L'Dor VaDor.



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PRESIDENT'S ARTICLE

I personally feel that many of my previous messages have been dire at best trending toward doom and gloom. It is true it has been a difficult year, but March has been a good month for Beth Israel for a number of reasons.

- We received news that our PPP loan was forgiven in full (and also received a second PPP Loan, that is yet to be forgiven)
- We have come to the decision to re-open the synagogue for services and meetings (details to follow).
- We have hired a new Religious School Director!

I will provide more information on each of the points above at the next Congregational Board Meeting Tuesday, April 13th @ 7:30.

Once again I need to thank everyone that has contributed to keeping the congregation engaged and together throughout this time. There is still a ways to go before we are fully open and back to normal but many things are turning around and perhaps we can get back to the 'business' of being a vibrant community again. If you would like to help and be more involved in our plans for the summer and fall – please contact me.

Because we did not have anyone volunteer to take over for Deborah, this will be the last Haruach in its current form. We will be repurposing the monthly newsletter content similar to how we produce eruach every week. We will be working on how/when/who to provide hard copies as necessary. I want to thank Deborah for all her years of effort producing Haruach and all the laughs she has provided during her stints as fundraiser MC. Good luck and I hope you and Erik enjoy your retirement.

Happy Passover to everyone and I look forward to seeing you in person at an BICC event sometime soon.

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Religious School Chai-lights

By Joanie Sharp

“Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me.” That was a popular saying for kids of generations past, but thanks to cyber bullies on the internet, today that saying doesn’t exactly ring true. Offensive, threatening, or simply mean comments and messages can have harmful consequences, ranging from isolation to depression.

Since many of our children use some type of social media, it is important to address the possibility of cyberbullying. Although cyberbullying—the use of technology to repeatedly target another person via text message, email, or a social media network—is a relatively new problem, its impact is growing rapidly. According to stopbullying.gov, roughly one in six high school students have been electronically bullied within the past year. If you or your children are being harassed this way, you probably feel angry, hurt, and confused why it’s happening and how to stop it. Follow these five steps to help fix the problem.

Call It What It Is

It might be tempting to brush off insulting text messages from a so-called friend as moodiness or unnecessary drama, but the truth is that this type of behavior is often a form of harassment and can develop into cyberbullying if left unchecked. Here’s where you should draw the line:

- When someone continues to send threatening or offensive messages or stalks you online after you’ve made it clear you don’t think it’s funny.
- When someone picks a fight with you using technology—whether in an online chat room or via text message—and refuses to let it go.
- When someone purposefully leaves you out of a group chat, and then posts rude or mean messages about you to that chat group.
- When someone you trusted with your private information— such as embarrassing photos or your home address—shares it with others publicly online.

When someone harasses you on Facebook or other social media using a fake identity so you can’t respond.

Here is a general rule to follow if you’re unsure whether you’re being cyberbullied: If the harassment makes you feel sad, hurt, fearful, or unable to concentrate on schoolwork, then you’re probably experiencing cyberbullying.

Here are some effective ways to deal with this issue if you’re experiencing cyberbullying:

Don’t Respond

It’s human nature to want to stick up for yourself when someone says something nasty, but the best way to shut down a cyberbully is to disengage. Not only can this help end the harassment, but it also prevents *you* from getting in trouble. If someone tags you in an offensive post on Instagram and then you do the same thing to get back at them, the line between perpetrator and victim is muddled. Resist the urge to respond, and if you can, block the person or change your privacy settings so that they can’t continue to contact you.

Document the Evidence

If you’re being cyberbullied, keep a record of the activity—taking screenshots of messages, for example. In very extreme cases, this evidence may help if you decide to take legal action.

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Religious School Chai-lights continued

Tell an Adult

Being cyberbullied can be really upsetting and exhausting, so it is important to let a responsible adult such as a teacher, parent, or youth group advisor know what's going on. They will be able to help address the problem, and they can help you gain a little perspective on this type of behavior so you can see it's the bully, not the victim of these attacks, that has the real problem.

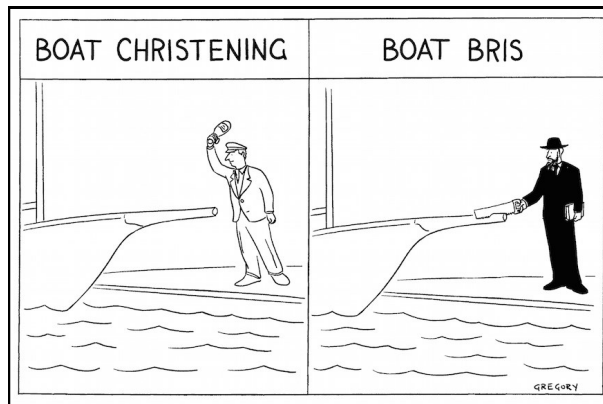
Practice Avoidance

Even though being bullied is *not* your fault, certain online practices can help protect you from becoming a target. First, be careful about what you post and think twice before sharing photos or videos that could potentially be used against you. It is also smart to keep passwords secret and to log out of social media accounts when using a public computer or a friend's phone. If a peer tries to include you in a cyberbullying attack on someone else, stick up for the person being targeted. You could say something like, "That's not really funny," or "If someone said that to you, you might be upset," or "Let it go, already!" A few choice words could help other teens see their comments might hurt more than they think and helps those being targeted know that they are not alone.

Upcoming Religious School Events

Sun., April 4 – No Classes- Last day of Passover

Classes will remain virtual throughout the month of April.



The Beth Israel Congregation HESED Team

HESED = LOVINGKINDNESS



Hesed Team held Monthly Meeting on March 17

We opened with a brief sharing of thoughts on this quote describing Rabbi Abraham Heschel from the scholar Rabbi Shai Held:

“Wonder for Heshel is the alternative to expediency. He essentially says people face a choice. We can live in what he calls “the way of expediency,” where we go through the world asking how the world can serve us; how we can use things; exploit them. Or we can choose the way of WONDER, in which we are fundamentally filled with a sense of gratitude, of indebtedness, a sense that something is asked of us, a sense that we are called to serve.”

Cindy Blair-Miller discussed her volunteer work with Coatesville Kids to College. This organization offers a pre-school, after school programs, and summer camps for children in financially stressed homes. Cindy volunteers in the after school program for K-8th grade. She described the promise she has witnessed working with bright young children who are given the opportunity to do homework and read with adult supervision and mentoring. We discussed how we at Beth Israel might support this program. See <https://www.coatesvillekids.org/> for more information and volunteer opportunities. “There are many opportunities to come alongside our programs from preschool all the way through 8th grade.” “Monday through Thursday from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM, we have opportunities to assist our preschool teachers, to provide one-to-one tutoring for elementary and middle school students, and to provide support for our enrichment activities.” Cindy has offered to be a contact for anyone interested in this rich volunteer activity.

The Hesed team is in the process also of creating a long list of examples of the ways Beth Israel groups and individuals practice the meaning of the Passover seder, to remember we were once downtrodden and we are called to redeem our broken world. Hopefully this list will be a good reminder to all of us about what we have done in answer to the call of the seder message.

COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS – Chester County American Red Cross

The Hesed Team, in partnership with Keshet Israel's Tikkun Olam Committee, held its third monthly COMMUNITY CONVERSATION on March 16 with special guest Lynn Cohen of the American Red Cross Chester County.

[Click here for a link to our growing list of Community Conversation audio files.](#)

STILL OPEN: Habitat for Humanity House Application Process.

Do you know a family that can be a homeowner through Habitat for Humanity?

Chris Wiseman of Habitat for Humanity Chester County alerted us that they have NOW OPENED THE APPLICATION PROCESS for new homes. They are currently accepting applications for Habitat homes in West Grove, PA. This is a special **partnership between Habitat for Humanity and the USDA and is different from the normal Habitat process.** The size of the household determines the range of income needed to qualify for a home. Below are the different ranges: 1-4 person family must make between \$43,700 and \$69,900; 5-8 person family must make between \$57,700 and \$92,250. The homes are \$175,000.00 with an average monthly mortgage of \$1000 – \$1500 a month. There is a \$50,000-second mortgage that is not paid until the house is sold. If you know of any family that can qualify and is interested, please tell them to contact Habitat for Humanity Chester County at <https://hfhcc.org/> or at 610-384-7993

For any questions or suggestions for our Beth Israel HESED Team, please contact Rabbi Cutler.

Refuah רפואה שלמה Shlema

This is the Jewish prayer for swift and complete healing for the wounded or the sick. Please include the following in our prayers. If you would like to add/remove a name for this list, please contact Rabbi Jon.

Rivka bat Avraham v'Sara
Jack Cazes
Jakey Egger
Michael Greenberg
Arlene Knable
Sigrid Rosenthal
Sharon Zislis

Herman Behrend
Sue Cazes
Sheldon Gerver
Hollie Helbein
Elena Margolis
Eva Skolnik

David Binstock
Malka bat Eliezer
Doris Goldring
Susan Jacowitz
Sandy Milberg
Rivka bat Sheul



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Rabbi's Emergency Fund – in early 2020, we received a \$2000 grant from the Jewish Federation of Philadelphia (WONDERFUL SUPPORT!).

If there are those in need, please contact Rabbi Jon Cutler .

This fund is meant to help with rent, healthcare, food, etc. for those in need. This stays confidential.

For members of Beth Israel Congregation: If you need assistance for groceries, rent, or any financial assistance, we would like to help. Please contact Rabbi Jon Cutler.

Celebrations



Claire Weisgal	4/1	9th
Noah Keller	4/4	9th
Robin Kerollis-Napiecek	4/4	
Nathan Weisgal	4/5	11th
Stephen Weisgal	4/5	
Nancy Goldberg	4/7	
Jeremy Kramer	4/7	
Thierry Steenberghs	4/10	
Jerry Napiecek	4/11	
Rachel Schmerling	4/11	
Jonathan Ryan Schmidt	4/12	10th
Zoey Bird	4/13	6th
Stuart Bran	4/13	
Susan Havens-Lang	4/16	
Irv Hendel	4/18	
Cyd McCord	4/18	
Richard Kramer	4/19	
Jody Reinbold	4/19	
Onyinye Myers	4/23	
Jonathan Eaton	4/24	
Jamie Parker	4/25	
Jack Cazes	4/26	
Steven Goldberg	4/26	
Stuart Solomon	4/26	
Benjamin Greisler	4/28	
John Scott	4/29	

Benjamin & Samantha Judovits 4/4 1st
(and still no grandchildren)

Neil & Adrianne Liebman 4/4 39th

Jonathan & Rebecca Zieff 4/14

Jason & Amanda Silverman 4/23 8th

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Preschool & Kindergarten News *by Adrienne Liebman*

Message in a Backpack™ Developing Your Preschooler's Spatial Thinking

Research suggests that preschoolers' early mathematics learning—including spatial-thinking skills—is related to later success in both reading and math. Spatial thinking involves children learning to navigate through their environment, to use maps and diagrams to solve problems, and to follow directions. These skills are linked to later achievement in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) fields, and these skills grow tremendously between the ages of 3 and 5. Here are some tips for supporting your preschooler's spatial thinking!

Play Fun Spatial-Thinking Activities!

Playing activities and games at home can positively improve preschoolers' spatial-thinking skills. These activities include solving puzzles and mazes, playing with blocks, and using spatial words (*right, left, under, near, farther*).

Read Books to Engage in Spatial Thinking!

Reading books that include spatial words or ideas can be an effective way to promote spatial thinking. For example, two books by Julie Dillemath help foster spatial learning. In *Lucy in the City*, a lost raccoon tries to find her way home. In *Mapping My Day*, a young girl uses maps throughout her day.

Use Technology as a Tool!

Mobile technology, such as smartphones and tablets, provides unique opportunities to foster and practice spatial thinking. For example, mapping apps on smartphones can be used to navigate from place to place, and games on tablets can engage children in learning opportunities. *Gracie & Friends Map Adventures* is a free math app designed for families and preschoolers to play together; it's available at first8studios.org.

Here are some of our other favorite at-home and on-the-go activities from First 8 Studios at WGBH:

Neighborhood I Spy: Spot objects around you and use spatial words (*under, next to, in front of, around, to the left of/right of, close to, far from, behind*) to give hints about what object you're spying. For example, "I spy something *next to* the door."

Set the Table, Please: Use spatial words to help your child set the table by giving hints about where to place the silverware, plates, and cups. For example, "The spoon goes *to the right of* the plate."

Map Maker: Put spatial-thinking skills and vocabulary to use by creating maps of rooms in your home or of places you like to go, such as the park or the zoo. Start by listing landmarks to include, pull out the art supplies to make your map, and then draw a pathway on the map to follow!



Yahrzeits



OBSERVED 4/2-4/3

Cele Berman	4/3	Nissan 21
Rabi Soleimani	4/3	Nissan 21
Alexander Storman	4/3	Nissan 21
Harry Blechman	4/5	Nissan 23
Ruth Gordon	4/6	Nissan 24
Joseph W. Kauffman	4/6	Nissan 24
Zelda Besrodni	4/7	Nissan 25
Doris Dabrow	4/7	Nissan 25
Jay Baer	4/8	Nissan 26
Anna Gerstenfeld	4/8	Nissan 26
Milton Apfelbaum	4/9	Nissan 27
Carl Mondschein	4/9	Nissan 27
Harry Resnik	4/9	Nissan 27

OBSERVED 4/9-4/10

Rose Abrams	4/10	Nissan 28
Bessie Bush	4/10	Nissan 28
Harry Jarris	4/10	Nissan 28
Sayde Riebman	4/10	Nissan 28
Leslie Morgan Tyner	4/10	Nissan 28
Isidore Milberg	4/11	Nissan 29
Fannie Cohen	4/12	Nissan 30
Renee Dreyfuss	4/12	Nissan 30
Sarah Gordon	4/12	Nissan 30
Irving Kimmeldorf	4/12	Nissan 30
Janet Shrier	4/12	Nissan 30
Bernard Zalma	4/12	Nissan 30
Julius Miller	4/13	Iyar 1
Rudolph Rigano	4/13	Iyar 1
Rose Fickler	4/14	Iyar 2
Mark Rostolsky	4/14	Iyar 2
Marie Stark	4/14	Iyar 2
Anne Gerver	4/15	Iyar 3
Dorothy Goldberg	4/15	Iyar 3
Irving Seftel	4/15	Iyar 3
Bernard Hankin	4/16	Iyar 4

OBSERVED 4/16-4/17

Dora Hodess	4/17	Iyar 5
Rodney R. Confer	4/18	Iyar 6
Noah Benjamin Levy	4/18	Iyar 6
Ann Miller	4/18	Iyar 6
Carin Bakelaar	4/19	Iyar 7
Bennett Gilbert	4/19	Iyar 7
Hannah Smulowitz	4/19	Iyar 7
Benjamin Svigals	4/19	Iyar 7
Siegfried Fischer	4/20	Iyar 8

Jonathan Halpern	4/20	Iyar 8
Mildred Lenox	4/20	Iyar 8
Naomi Atlas	4/21	Iyar 9
Iris Joan Cener	4/21	Iyar 9
Mary Derby	4/21	Iyar 9
Marjorie Klein	4/21	Iyar 9
Mihla Margolis	4/21	Iyar 9
Mary Peters	4/21	Iyar 9
Lillian Rootstein	4/22	Iyar 10
Milton Salow	4/22	Iyar 10
Sara Gold	4/23	Iyar 11
Edward Mittelman	4/23	Iyar 11
Lewis Sacks	4/23	Iyar 11

OBSERVED 4/23-4/24

John Edward Barnett	4/25	Iyar 13
Sophie Goldring	4/25	Iyar 13
Harriet Riebman	4/25	Iyar 13
Dorothy Hankin	4/26	Iyar 14
Frank Sabatelli	4/26	Iyar 14
Louis Schwartz	4/26	Iyar 14
Elinore Kaufmann	4/27	Iyar 15
Rachel Blechman	4/28	Iyar 16
Thelma Nemeroff	4/28	Iyar 16
Joel Frankel	4/29	Iyar 17
Eva Levithan	4/29	Iyar 17
Rachel Telias	4/29	Iyar 17
Rivkah Cohen	4/30	Iyar 18
Herbert Bomzer	5/1	Iyar 19
Brent Kaplan	5/1	Iyar 19

OBSERVED 5/1-5/2

Hyman Epstein	5/2	Iyar 20
Renee S. Frankel	5/2	Iyar 20
Joseph Kassoff	5/2	Iyar 20
Mary Rabinowitz	5/2	Iyar 20
Thomas Simmons	5/2	Iyar 20
Natalie Dickstein	5/3	Iyar 21
Jeannie Gaines	5/3	Iyar 21
Benjamin Sarvetnick	5/4	Iyar 22
Mindi Gittis	5/5	Iyar 23
Isaac Jufes	5/5	Iyar 23
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Max Bran	5/6	Iyar 24
Sidney Kalstein	5/6	Iyar 24

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The party is over
 Last call
 Closing night
 Cash in your chips
 The last waltz
 Last word
 Fat lady sings
 Final straw
 Elvis has left the building
 Frasier has left the building
 Never again
 Final nail in the coffin
 Kicked the bucket
 Laid to rest
 Last but not least
 I rest my case
 Verdict is in
 Dead end
 Done deal
 Game over
 Tilt
 Done and dusted
 Stick me with a fork
 It's over
 Roger over and out
 Series finale
 Last hurrah
 The End
 Breaking up is hard to do
 Wave the checkered flag
 Final conclusion
 Period

No more
 Say good bye to Hollywood
 End of the line
 Finale
 End of the road
 Case closed
 Finish line
 Journey's end
 Good bye yellow brick road
 Farewell
 Final curtain
 Take care
 See you later, alligator
 Adieu
 Farewell
 That's a wrap
 Swan Song
 Final score
 Sayonara
 Bye-bye
 Adios
 Cheerio
 Ciao
 Parting is such sweet sorrow
 Shalom
 Toodle-oo
 Move along little doggies
 Thanks for the memories
 Good bye
 So long
 That's all folks
Amen!

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