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# THE SHOFAR

The Monthly Bulletin of the BJCC

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Hillel Services: Fridays, 7:15 PM  
(when Virginia Tech is in session)  
Shabbat Services: Saturdays, 10:00 AM  
(usually alternating weeks: Conservative, Reform)

## **SCHEDULE OF SHABBAT SERVICES**

[Services begin at 10:00 AM]

May 3–Kedoshim–Reform–Rebecca Scheckler  
May 10–Emor–Conservative–M&S Kranowski  
May 17–BeHar–Reform–Eric Hallerman  
May 24–BeChukkotai–David Goldstein Bar Mitzvah  
May 31–BeMidbar–Elisa Lustig Bat Mitzvah

## **NO POTLUCK LUNCH IN MAY**

Because of the bar and bat mitzvah services in May, we will not have our traditional pot luck this month.

## **ISRAELI INDEPENDENCE DAY, MAY 11**

Yom Haatzmaut (Israeli Independence Day) will be celebrated on May 11 with a Claytor Lake hike and pot luck at the Scheckler's at 4:00 PM. We will also watch a new Israeli movie and expect great weather! Watch your email for more details.

## **NEXT SHOFAR DEADLINE: MAY 23**

The deadline for submitting news for the next issue of the *Shofar* is May 23. Send information to Richard at [rhirsh@vt.edu](mailto:rhirsh@vt.edu) and to Sue Kurtz at [skurtz@vt.edu](mailto:skurtz@vt.edu).

## **BAR MITZVAH, DAVID GOLDSTEIN, MAY 24**

The Goldstein family is happy to announce that David Goldstein will be called to the Torah at the BJCC on May 24. It should be a wonderful event for the entire community.



## **BAT MIZVAH, ELISA LUSTIG, MAY 31**

Gregg and Lili Lustig are pleased to announce the upcoming bat mitzvah service of their daughter, Elisa, on May 31. The family will be holding a reception after the service (at Custom Catering) and invites the community to it. If you would like to join the post-service celebration, please contact Gregg or Lili at [glustig@gmail.com](mailto:glustig@gmail.com) or 540-961-1639.

## **RECAP OF APRIL 13 NEW MEMBERS' BOWLING EVENT**

Twenty-two fit athletes participated in the first BJCC bowl-a-thon on April 13. Several new faces participated with current members and enjoyed an afternoon of socializing and bowling. Our two highest scorers were Dave Faibish (183) and Brad Klein (170). Be on the lookout for a fall membership activity, and please contact Leslie Kornblith with names of other people who would like to learn more about the BJCC.



Brad and Dave, BJCC bowling champs

## **THANKS**


We have received a gift from:

✧ Meir & Debbie Schneller—General Fund.

## **MORE THANKS**

We are grateful to Ellen P for organizing the Purim event, with catered dinner plus a play and lots of other fun. It was a wonderful event enjoyed by many families. Kol Hakavod, Ellen!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 26 Nisan	2 27 Nisan <a href="#">Yom HaShoah</a>	3 28 Nisan <a href="#">Parashat Kedoshim</a> Reform Svc.
4 29 Nisan	5 30 Nisan <a href="#">Rosh Chodesh Iyyar</a>	6 1st of Iyyar, 5768 <a href="#">Rosh Chodesh Iyyar</a>	7 2 Iyyar <a href="#">Yom HaZikaron</a>	8 3 Iyyar <a href="#">Yom HaAtzma'ut</a>	9 4 Iyyar	10 5 Iyyar <a href="#">Parashat Emor</a> Conserv. Svc.
11 6 Iyyar Israeli Independence Day hike	12 7 Iyyar	13 8 Iyyar	14 9 Iyyar	15 10 Iyyar	16 11 Iyyar	17 12 Iyyar <a href="#">Parashat BeHar</a> Reform Svc.
18 13 Iyyar	19 14 Iyyar	20 15 Iyyar	21 16 Iyyar	22 17 Iyyar	23 18 Iyyar <a href="#">Lag B'Omer</a> June <i>Shofar</i> deadline	24 19 Iyyar <a href="#">Parashat BeChukkotai</a> David Goldstein Bar Mitzvah 
25 20 Iyyar	26 21st of Iyyar, 5768	27 22 Iyyar	28 23 Iyyar	29 24 Iyyar	30 25 Iyyar	31 26 Iyyar <a href="#">Parashat BeMidbar</a> Elisa Lustig Bat Mitzvah 

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