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ORDER OF EVENING

Dinner at Your Leisure (Save Your Dessert!)

Welcome from Progressive Dinner Co-Chairs
Tracey Horwich and Sonya Morgan

Clergy Welcome and Havdalah

Remarks from Galavanting Co-Chairs

Jenn Dubinsky and Sid Siegel

Fundraising Update
Michael DiCocco

Virtual Tables to Enjoy Dessert

Live AuctionDavid Greenbaum

Special Performance from Nefesh Mountain

Closing Remarks

From Your Galavanting Co-Chairs

When we started planning Galavanting this year, we defined it as "entertaining and building community through eating, drinking, and schmoozing virtually." Throughout the past 3 months we have Galavanted though 16 different events and felt the power of community – whether virtually or just seeing each other at our many "pick up" events. It has been quite a ride – and a trip we will never forget. Consider this ad book the photo album of people and companies that made this galavant possible.

Together, we galavanted through:

Pandemic Purim

bjBEtogether Fitness Challenge

Adult Trivia Night

Nefesh Mountain Family Concert

Bourbon Tasting

Kids Cooking Class Mini Photo Sessions with

Chime Costello

Mah Jongg Tournament

Adult Cooking Workshop

Beer Tasting

Teen Cooking Event
Canasta Tournament

Wine Tasting

Friends of BJBE Poker

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Family Game Night

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Thank you so much for your continued support of BJBE and our beautiful community.

Jenn Dubinsky and Sid Siegel Your Galavanting Tour Guides

From Your Clergy

Dear Friends,

What a year it has been, and how powerful to see our compassionate and thoughtful community come together to support and sustain this holy congregation. You may think that all you did was attend a trivia contest, a wine tasting, or an online Purim party, but, in truth, when we show up in these moments, we are showing up for each other and for this community. We have made intentional space for joy, laughter, and connection. We have shared experiences and come to know each other, and ourselves, more deeply.

Your clergy are grateful for the gifts of time, talent, and treasure that you give in service of our sacred work. Seeing your faces on screen gives us a boost of energy and excitement, binding us together as we support BJBE's future. We are overjoyed to share tonight with you.

We are so proud of our co-chairs, Jenn Dubinsky and Sid Siegel, and the incredible team of volunteers for their creative approach to this unique year, bringing each piece of Galavanting to life. Your innovation and tireless spirit truly show us that BJBE is the place where community matters.

Surely, there are still challenges ahead, but we as look forward, we see a bright future. As our world, and our synagogue, continues the steady march toward reentry, we eagerly await the chance to be together once again.

Enjoy this evening, and may we continue to find moments to celebrate together in the months and years to come.

L'shalom

Rabbi Karyn Kedar

Rabbi Jason Fenster

Cantor Jennifer Frost

Cantor Alexandra Kurland

From Your President

Welcome to our 2021 Galavanting Grand Finale

Oh what a year it's been!! Throughout the pandemic, one constant has been the BJBE community. I am so pleased that you have chosen to join us tonight as we celebrate BJBE and continue to build for our future. We'd like to thank all of you — our congregants, guests, and sponsors — for making a difference and supporting our community's broad range of diverse and dynamic programming. I'd like to extend a special thank you to Anne Robbin and Jenn Dubinsky and Sid Siegel the Galavanting co-chairs, for your creative thinking, leadership, and hard work. Thanks also to the Galavanting Committee and tonight's co-chairs, Sonya Morgan and Tracey Horwich.

Enjoy the evening! **Brian Tenner**. President



From Your Progressive Dinner Co-Chairs

We are so glad to have you join us for tonight's virtual program filled with friends, fun, and fundraising! As you well know, Congregation BJBE is much more than our place of worship – it is an inclusive, inspiring, and supportive community that is rooted in tradition yet one that continually evolves in countless ways to answer the calling of our modern day world. While no one could have prepared for the evolution we have experienced this past year, we are so proud of the ways this community has been there for each other during these trying times. We have seen both spiritual and emotional support during a time when physical proximity has not always been possible. Therefore, it was important to us to plan an event that best reflects on BJBE. Tonight you are supporting local restaurants that have been suffering through your purchases of the progressive dinner. Through Zoom, we will dine together and enjoy a sensational musical performance from Nefesh Mountain as we celebrate this amazing congregation! While we are so excited to celebrate this fantastic evening as a community, successfully raising funds to support our award winning programming is equally important. We need to ensure that BJBE continues to be the innovative, meaningful synagogue that we all hold dear.

Here is what to look for this evening: • Back by popular demand! "Pick a Box" for a beautifully designed bracelet by Emmis Jewelry/ Jenn Dubinsky as well as the chance to win a high value piece of jewelry donated by Lara Kunz. • Get in on the fun during an energy-filled Live Auction featuring a special clergy event. • And look for raffle opportunities from our generous restaurants, cocktail company, and community partners. Thank you to our progressive dinner subcommittee members, Carol Berger and Bonnie Litch. Also, a VERY special thank you to Anne Robbin and all of the BJBE staff – their work behind the scenes is invaluable! Please take a moment to look through this commemorative program. We have been so honored and blessed with donations from many vendors and would love to acknowledge these companies and thank them for their generosity. Please support these benefactors with your patronage in the future!

Thank you for joining us tonight, and we look forward to seeing you in person soon!

Tracey Horwich & Sonya Morgan

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We applaud and are grateful for the creativity and hard work of the Galavanting committee led by Jenn Dubinsky and Sid Siegel.



Rabbi Karyn Kedar

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Jenn Dubinsky, Sid Siegel, and Anne Robbin

THANK YOU for your vision, creativity, leadership and passion in everything Galavanting. We appreciate all you have done to make it so successful.

Sonya Morgan and Tracey Horwich

Thank you for this innovative and engaging evening. A virtual gala – of course, no problem, we've got this!!

Thanks for stepping up!!

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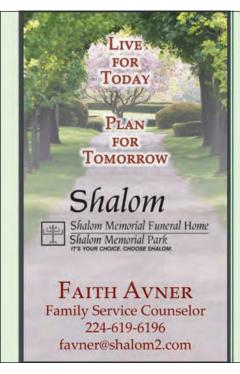




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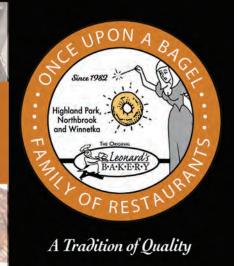
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