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*Spring has sprung at last!*



## Congregational Meeting

**Sunday, June 2**

Please arrive at 9:20 am to get your bagel! Meeting will start promptly at 9:30 am.

***Updates, next steps,  
budget vote***

***See inside for more information  
on exciting events and  
services at OZ!***

5/1 - Yom HaShoah

5/5 - Mural Event

5/9 - Yom Ha'Atzmaut

5/12 - Hebrew School Commencement

5/23 - Interfaith Seder

6/8 - Tikkun Leil Shavuot

*more details*



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## FROM THE RABBI



### ***We Owe Refugees Compassion***

The faces of the children tell the story; imprisoned by our government, punished for seeking a safe home. I saw them on a recent Jewish clergy trip to El Paso and Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, organized by HIAS and T'ruah: The Rabbinic Call for Human Rights.

This issue is very important to the Jewish community, as Jewish faith commands that we care for the stranger. Ohavi Zedek Synagogue is engaged in working to support refugees and new immigrants in many ways.

Refugees are being detained, even while seeking asylum at legal ports of entry, for the “crime” of seeking asylum. Together with 17 other rabbis and cantors, I witnessed hundreds being rounded into cages under the border bridge between Juarez, Mexico and El Paso, Texas. It was gut-wrenching. I thought of the prophet Jeremiah, whose warning cries to the people to reclaim their sacred purpose landed him in prison. Now, while hundreds of people daily are being sent back to the violence and poverty they escaped, I wondered: Who will listen to our cries of pain and worry for the humanitarian crisis and brutality on our border?

While visiting a Catholic-run shelter for migrants in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, we noticed one of the residents who seemed especially excited to see our group of Jewish clergy. A colleague who spoke with her reported that she was a Jewish woman from Honduras, where she'd had a nice home and a good job as a nurse. When she had noticed that some medical equipment in the hospital was stolen, she reported it. Unfortunately, the authorities were connected to the theft and, fearing retaliation, she fled for her life with her 13-year-old son. They had lost everything. The violence these refugees are fleeing is real. For anyone to ignore that is immoral.

Decades of U.S. government policies have contributed to the poverty, corruption and violence that is prompting thousands of vulnerable people to flee Central America. Many are families with children, even children sent with smugglers to the “land of the free and the home of the brave.” Only, they are the brave ones, not us. It is a shameful stain on our nation's soul.

We toured the Otero detention center and the Southwest Key Casa-Franklin children's detention center, both run

by for-profit corporations. We visited shelters in both El Paso and Ciudad Juarez, where refugees wait in limbo for court hearings and possible resettlement in the US, or deportation. We met righteous heroes, including staff at the Las Americas Immigrant Advocacy Center, Hope Border Institute and Annunciation House, who are caring for refugees under enormous and complex pressures.

In the Casa-Franklin center in El Paso, housing 56 kids, there is to be no hugging, no touching, no human contact. The staff explained, this is “out of an abundance of caution.” The outer door is alarmed, lest anyone try to leave, the director explained, for the children's security. We were told that these kids have arrived unaccompanied, as young as 5-years-old, but we saw mostly young teens. We were told that other children's detention centers house considerably larger populations, up to 1,000 youth. Having toured Otero, housing 1,000 young men, we could picture it: prison-like.

The best we could offer the refugees was to wave, smile, and say hello. We witnessed their sadness and longing, perhaps the wish for human contact, perhaps the wish that we'd relate to them as fully human. Some of us felt like we were touring a zoo — a dehumanized zone where these “aliens” (a noxious term we heard used by staff) were to be held until they could be sent back. In fact, near 95% of the refugees whose cases are heard in El Paso courtrooms will be “repatriated” — deported back to the violence from which they've fled.

It is time for our government to address the core issues that have created the desperation that drives thousands to flee on treacherous journeys north. Border control can't solve this problem; only systemic change will work. We need the wisdom and courage to address this change.

The faces of the children, teens and families will haunt me forever, but particularly this Passover, as we tell the story of our own people's liberation. We owe these asylum seekers the same liberation. We owe them this as fellow human beings. We owe them this as people of faith. We owe them this as Americans.

This is a time for action. The non-profit organizations helping refugees on both sides of the border need our support. And our political will must be exercised. The cruelty of our own government is unacceptable — we must speak out loudly. The problems may seem overwhelming. But change will only come when we start, each of us, one day at a time. Let us be the change.

~ Rabbi Amy

## FROM THE PRESIDENT



As you can see from the cover, it's time for our June Congregational Meeting. I hope as many of you as possible will attend on June 2 when we will review the July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020 budget. And I promise there will be tasty food!

Since it's budget time, a lot of our board meetings have been spent working on that. We look forward to sharing our work with you.

We've applied for a grant from the Department of Homeland Security for some funding to help upgrade our security. We haven't yet received a response, but applying for a government grant is a tremendous amount of work and I give special thanks to Grace and to David Rome, Chair of the OZ Security Committee and for all the time they spent on this, no matter the outcome.

Our Mishloach Manot (Purim baskets) are gifts of food or drink that are sent to family, friends and others on Purim day. The mitzvah of giving mishloach manot derives from the Book of Esther. It is meant to ensure that everyone has enough food for the Purim feast and to increase love and friendship among Jews and their neighbors. This year we raised \$1,500 from the Mishloach Manot project.

Last week, a group of us from Ohavi Zedek Synagogue went to a Friday service at the Islamic Center of Vermont mosque. We were welcomed warmly there and talked about continuing collaboration and support for each other.

Now I want to take a moment to offer my personal farewell to Kochava. It's been wonderful having her here at OZ and I wish her the very best as she goes on to cantorial school. I will miss her warmth, her beautiful voice and her incredible leyning skills. And I know all of those things will serve her wonderfully in cantorial school and as she moves on to the next steps of an exciting life! On Saturday, June 22 we will have a kiddush luncheon/party honoring Kochava, immediately after Shabbat services at approximately 11:30 am. I hope lots of you can join us!

We are also moving closer to hiring a cantor and will keep you posted about that!

~ Vivien Rabin Brown

## ART AT OHAVI ZEDEK

### OZ's GOT TALENT!

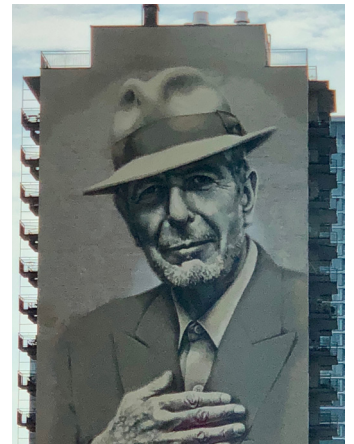
Our fabulous art displays continue.  
The exhibit changes every eight weeks.

Joy Jaffe's beautiful watercolors graced the walls of the Social hall in February and March.



In April, we were delighted by the amazing photographs, paintings, prints and cards created by the father and daughter team of Gary and Ari Sturgis.

Wayne Senville's photographs capture some of the natural beauty of northwestern Vermont and images from diverse places such as the Hudson River Valley, Montreal, and the Yiddish Book Center in Amherst, MA.



*Pictured: Wayne's photo of a Leonard Cohen mural in Montreal.*

Please join us for the opening of this exhibit in the Social Hall on Tuesday, May 14 at 7:30 pm with a reception, including light refreshments.

Half of the proceeds from the sale of Wayne's art will benefit Ohavi Zedek.



## FROM THE TREASURER



We have prepared a draft of the budget for our next fiscal year (starting July 1) for board review before the Congregational Meeting in June. Through February we had an operating surplus of \$88k--typical at this time of year. We get lots of pledge payments up front, and that puts us ahead of

our revenue budget. The budget through January was an \$80k surplus; last year we had a \$94k surplus at this time. (In addition, we have a \$27k loss in non-operating income, due to market fluctuations in our Endowment Fund.)

Tari reports that as of January 31, we had received pledges for \$353k, 92% of our \$385k goal for the year, reflecting general increases of 2.6% over the prior year. Similarly, we have pledges for about 92% of our \$20k Facilities Fee budget.

Expenses are \$36k over budget, but not due to timing; it looks as though we will run a deficit of around \$59k this year, \$29k worse than the budgeted \$30k deficit. This is mostly due to not quite achieving the extra revenue and savings that we did in prior years to make up the budgeted "undesignated revenue" of \$47k. We made up \$18k of that \$47k, but not the full \$47k, and in prior years, we went further and made up the budgeted deficit itself; but it looks like that is not happening this year. We have borrowed \$80k from our generous congregant (thanks so much!) as a short-term loan to get us through the end of the year, at the lowest allowable Federal Applicable Rate (2.49%).

We are as always sending to the Endowment Fund both the loan payments for the kitchen and the Endowment repayment, as well as any funds received that were restricted to the endowment fund. The Preschool is full with a long waiting list.

On the balance sheet, we have \$122k in cash, up from \$88k at February 28 last year. The loan balances are \$179k out of the original \$200k for the kitchen loan, and \$200k out of the original \$212k for the endowment loan, down from \$188k and \$207k at the end of last February.

We are very grateful for everyone's financial support for the great outreach and social justice activities of the synagogue. And again, I am happy to talk with anyone who has questions. I welcome any and all suggestions regarding how we can cut expenses or increase income.

Thank you!

~ Bill Miller

### OZ NEEDS NEW TREASURER

As you know, Bill Miller is stepping down as Treasurer of OZ effective July 1, 2019. We are happy to say that he will remain on the board.

- Interested?
- Know anyone who might fill the bill?
- Understand numbers?
- Want to volunteer to help OZ?

Even if your time is limited, contact us anyway and we can talk!

### INTERFAITH SEDER

#### AT OHAVI ZEDEK

**THURSDAY, MAY 23 ~ 5:30 - 8:30 PM**

*A universalized version of the Passover Seder celebrating our shared goal of freedom from oppression for all people*



Please join us as we share stories, songs, prayer and a special vegetarian meal. Gluten free options available

Adults - \$25; Teens- Free  
New Americans will be our guests

RSVP by May 16 to [tari@ohavizedek.org](mailto:tari@ohavizedek.org) or visit [www.ohavizedek.org](http://www.ohavizedek.org) to sign up

Sponsored by Ohavi Zedek Synagogue in affiliation with Vermont Interfaith Action.

*Proceeds benefit VIA*

### "From Wall to Wall"

*Journeys to the Kotel (Western Wall) in Jerusalem and the U.S. Southern Border in March*

Rabbi Amy Small, with OZ member Becky Wasserman, a lawyer who spent a week doing pro-bono immigration work with refugees at the Southern Border

**Tuesday, May 7, 5 pm**

**Childcare** available, **Pizza** will be provided

**Replies would be a huge help:** [tari@ohavizedek.org](mailto:tari@ohavizedek.org)

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



I've been thinking a lot about the importance of inter-generational relationships and the key role the synagogue can play in drawing together people from all walks and stages of life. It's rare to find spaces that truly unite people regardless of age or social/cultural/political preferences and help to develop

rich relationships—even love and understanding—across life stages. It proves easy to become siloed in our demographic groups. (I am certainly guilty of spending the majority of my time with folks at my similar life stage/level of sleep-deprivation and resulting lack of strong conversational ability!) However, it feels more important than ever that we reach beyond our bubbles and develop the threads that weave a tapestry of community. It is in weaving this rich fiber, made of real, person-to-person relationships, that we can heal a fractured national sense of unity. By transforming our personal relationships and how we build community we can have a profound ripple effect.

In service to this goal, we recently began a collaboration between Fern Hill (the affordable housing site for elders next door to OZ) and our Full Circle preschool kids. This idea was first floated by Joanna May, an incredible community member, former OZ board member, singer and leader of Music Together classes. Joanna initially had the idea more than a year ago, but it wasn't until the idea was pushed forward by Toby Hecht, a young OZ member about to have his bar mitzvah as part of his mitzvah project work, that these two folks teamed up, reached out to Fern Hill and OZ's Full Circle Preschool, called together meetings of the

two communities, and created a very simple concept that generated enormous joy and connection.

For eight weeks we are spending an hour singing together on Sunday mornings. The Fern Hill residents sit around the outside of the circle and the preschool kiddos dance/crawl around the center. Some of the residents hold second sibling babies so moms and dads can be free to jump around with their toddlers. Three-year-olds pretend to be horses and gallop around the residents, and the two groups interact, giggle, and harmonize together. Parents are chatting with each other, children, and elders. The relationship between Fern Hill and OZ is strengthened. And if you don't know this amazing history and the current fabulous work happening to renovate and energize Fern Hill, check in with their great board chair Lila Shapero, and then go over there for a tour! (See *Fern Hill Update*, p. 17)

Because Toby and Joanna teamed up, volunteered their time, and had the vision to convene the communities, we are all enriched and more connected. As we sing together, we connect deeply despite not knowing one another well. (Music is such a blessing for that!) As we show up each week and recognize one another, check in about the last week, laugh at our sweet goofy children and share bagels, we are re-weaving the tapestry of sacred community. As small as these interactions are, they form the building blocks needed to nourish a sense of community. The synagogue is a crucial space for helping nurture the formation and stewardship of such relationships. Your support for OZ is a vote for a widespread web of relationship and community. Grateful you are weaving with us!

~ Grace Oedel  
Executive Director

### **YOM HASHOAH (Holocaust Memorial Day) SERVICE** **Wednesday, May 1 at 7:00 pm at Temple Sinai beginning with minyan**

Please join us for an Ohavi Zedek/Temple Sinai joint service. The service will focus on our need as a Jewish community to remember the Holocaust and to reflect on its meaning to us, the living, today.

Led by Rabbi Amy Small and Rabbi David Edleson, the program will include singers and readers from both congregations, as well as time for discussion and sharing.



## HEBREW SCHOOL NEWS



The end of another Hebrew School year. Wow.

As always, I look forward to OZHS Commencement. I enjoy seeing the look of accomplishment on our graduates' faces and their parents' obvious pride. I also appreciate the opportunity to publicly thank our teachers, madrichim, Hebrew

School Committee members, parents, clergy and OZ staff for making it all happen. But of course with all these good feelings come some sad ones as well. Saying goodbye to students finishing up their studies here or bidding farewell to madrichim moving on to college or teachers taking positions elsewhere is tough. You are all my family, for whatever time you fill these halls and classrooms.

I will spend my summer getting ready to greet you again in September with refined and new programming. I will work on building up our USY tween youth group, setting up new NADAV interns in their internships, preparing classrooms

and curriculum and producing a strong calendar of events, activities and learning opportunities for families.

I will also devote time to teasing out the concept of 'parent engagement'. What does this phrase mean? As I see it, there are four possibilities:

Parents participating in synagogue events

Parents volunteering

Parents taking an active interest in their child's learning

Parents accessing Hebrew School information

All of these are very important to the life of our Hebrew School. Looking into ways of increasing and improving each is a big priority. Towards that effort we will create a teacher blog to help parents keep track of OZHS information. In addition, we will continue to pilot the monthly information grid. Any suggestions you have are welcome.

So I wish you all a happy, healthy and sunny summer. I will be hard at work putting things in place but no worries, I'll find some time to play outside too.

Thanks for being a part of the OZHS community!

~ Naomi Barell

### ***A Dialogue on B'nai Mitzvah Services: Alternatives and Opportunities*** **Sunday, May 5 9:30 am**

Join us for a facilitated conversation about the future of b'nai mitzvah at Ohavi Zedek. We are seeking ways to provide a meaningful experience while honoring community needs and our traditional Shabbat morning service.

If you cannot attend the discussion and want your voice heard, please e-mail [rabbiamy@ohavizedek.org](mailto:rabbiamy@ohavizedek.org)

### **COMMUNITY WIDE YOM HA'ATZMAUT CELEBRATION FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES**

**Thursday, May 9 4:00 - 6:00 PM**

**Veterans Memorial Park, South Burlington  
(Rain Location: Temple Sinai)**

Field Games, Israeli Dance, PJ Library Books,  
Sing-Along, Crafts  
Falafel and Israeli Salad Bar

Suggested Donation \$5/person

For more information email  
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**OZHS  
Commencement  
Sunday, May 12th  
10:00**

Come celebrate our graduates!

Following ceremony we will have a potluck brunch, tie dying, water balloons and Kitah Zayin car wash fundraiser.

**Please** bring a vegetarian dish to share.



## PROFILE: JASON & LAURA COOPER



Laura Rose Stulman, Manhattan-born into a Conservative Jewish family, and Jason Bradley Cooper, raised an Episcopalian in a tiny village in Western New York State, met in February of 2000 at The Edge, a gym in South Burlington. She was 30, had moved to Vermont nine months earlier; he, a few years

younger, came here for a job at IBM in 1996. They were engaged after three and a half months and married in June 2001, less than a year and a half after they met. The match works well, despite their hugely disparate backgrounds.

The Stulman name is well known not only in New York, but in Israel and elsewhere. Julius Stulman, Laura's grandfather, born in New York in 1906, started as a dockworker, then formed his own lumber business and became one of the most successful men in the industry. He and his first wife Pauline (d. 1976) were active in civic affairs, education, the arts, and everything Jewish and Israeli. They were the parents of Stephen, Laura's dad, and Joan Stulman Gilbert.

Stephen, who worked in his father's lumber business, carried on the family legacy of involvement in various community and Jewish causes, along with Laura's mom, Elga Kron Stulman, who passed away in 2003. In her memory, Stephen established the Elga Stulman Institute in Israel, which offers pluralistic Jewish study opportunities for Israeli women of all backgrounds. He also oversees the Julius Stulman Foundation, which dispenses gifts, grants and loans to charitable organizations in America and Israel. Here at OZ, Stulman philanthropy has helped with the purchase of siddurim, new chairs, and equipment for the playground. The Foundation has also contributed to the Scholar-in-Residence program over the past five years. "We do this in honor of my mother, because I know she would have both supported and participated in it," Laura says.

The Stulmans have been longtime members of B'nai Jeshurun in Manhattan, the third oldest Ashkenazi synagogue in the US, known these days for weaving tradition into contemporary life through its progressive approach to services that appeal to Jews from all walks of life.

Laura, the youngest of the four Stulman siblings, was born in 1968. She was educated at the Dalton School, a private institution on the Upper East Side in Manhattan,

then went on to the Maryland Institute College of Art, where she earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design in 1990, followed by a Master's in Art Education from Teachers College, Columbia University in 1994. She held jobs in a graphic design firm and as a personal trainer at a fitness club in New York City. Along the way, she spent eight months living in Florence, Italy.

For several years Laura served as the private teacher of autistic twins, from the time they were 18 months old until they turned 5. Though little was known about autism at the time, the parents of the twins had the financial means to bring in a team of specialists in the field from California to train Laura and a few others to become Applied Behavioral Analysis therapists. The twins went on to become students in a private school for children with autism in Queens, and Laura was subsequently hired by the school so that she could follow the boys there.

Having returned to personal training after several years, she began to reassess her life. "I was turning 30, lived in a tiny Manhattan apartment, had an hour-and-a-half commute to work, and went on lots of dead-end dates." Clearly, she acknowledged to herself, "I was not happy." A Club Med singles ski trip to Colorado sparked the revelation that a person could leave the stress of a big city lifestyle and live in a Colorado-like environment.

Serendipitously, she had a friend who had grown up in Vermont. Though currently serving in the military, he suggested to Laura that if she were to move north, his parents would house her temporarily and help her find a job and an apartment. She gave her two-weeks' notice, arrived in Burlington in May of 1999, found a place to live, got her driver's license and first car (she had been getting around by bicycle until that point) and, following a brief stint at the Olympiad, began a six-year job as a trainer at Twin Oaks, a gym that later became known as The Edge.

In February 2000 Laura met Jason there. His journey to Vermont was more direct and less angst-driven than hers had been. He was born 46 years ago in the Village of Belmont (population under 1,000 in the 2010 census), some 60 or so miles from Buffalo, the nearest big city. Jason's dad, Bradley, a machinist, and his mom, Pamela, who served as county clerk, are retired and still live in Belmont, in the house next door to where Jason and his two sisters grew up. He attended one school K through 12, along with 32 classmates, then earned a BS degree in Mechanical Engineering from Alfred State College, part of the SUNY (State University of New York) system. Having graduated in the spring of 1995, he was hired the following January by IBM in Essex Junction.



Jason, knowing that Laura was Jewish, told her early on that he was not religious, and that his family hadn't been active in their church for quite a while. After their fourth date, Laura called to tell her mother that she thought Jason was 'the one.' "She said it sounded *besheret*, but if we were to marry and have children, they would have to be raised as Jews." Jason was totally fine with that, Laura says, and he has always supported and encouraged their kids' Jewish identities.

Before their first date, Laura noticed a poster in the fitness room of The Edge advertising a body building competition. "I wanted to focus on doing something empowering for myself that would give me a goal to accomplish," she recalls. "I was looking for a challenge, and the timing was perfect." Jason was intrigued by the competition as well, and after only a few weeks of dating, he and Laura decided to train for it together. They trained for three months, "which was ideal for him," Laura says, "but I really could have used an additional month." Training included learning what and when to eat, how to exercise effectively, pose for the judges, learn a choreographed posing routine to music, and get their skin to the right degree of tan. They also needed to remain functional in their jobs and maintain a pleasant demeanor....all while being completely deprived of carbohydrates. "Not an easy task," Laura recalls.

Though each won their share of medals and trophies (three for him; two for her), the biggest prize was yet to come. "During the awards ceremony when I was backstage about to be called out for my first trophy, Jason took over the podium, gave a little speech and asked me to come out on stage," Laura says. "Then he got on one knee, opened a box with an engagement ring, and popped the question in front of over 300 people." It was a first for the competition, according to the emcee. [note: The photos are amazing!]

After nearly 10 years at IBM, in the face of downsizing and inevitable layoffs, Jason went back to school for two years at the Burlington Tech Center, located at Burlington High School, where he earned an Airframe & Powerplant license. He worked for a few years at Heritage Aviation before being asked by his former teacher at the Tech Center to join him as an instructor there. "Our course is mainly for high school juniors and seniors who are interested in aviation mechanics," Jason says. "We can accommodate up to 12 students, and we often have adults in our classes as well." The only one of its kind in Vermont, the program is one of just a few in the country to be FAA (Federal Aviation Agency) certified. "It's a great career path," Jason says. Graduates have the option of attending the program's satellite facility at the Burlington Airport to continue their education in aviation mechanics, to go on to study engineering, or to become pilots. In

2017, when his mentor retired after 27 years, Jason took over the program.

He and Laura live in South Burlington with their children, Ella, 14, and Orion, 10. Ella was named in memory of Elga, her grandmother. With Orion still *in utero*, Laura and Jason were thinking of naming him Owen, and they took to calling Laura's bump "Baby O." But Owen was emerging as too trendy a name, and, after considering a number of "O" possibilities, Jason, whose turn it was to name their second child, proposed Orion. The baby was born Orion Bradley Cooper, carrying both his father's and his grandfather's name.

The Coopers confess to being homebodies who love hanging out to watch movies as a family, visit friends, or have friends over. They get together with their Dorset Farms neighbors for game nights and have regular family cooking nights with close friends. Laura continues to go to the gym but Jason prefers to be outdoors. He confesses that he really only ever liked the gym for social reasons when he was single and had lots of free time.

Though they function as a Jewish household, the family travels to Belmont every year to celebrate Christmas with Jason's parents, sisters and other family members. "Our kids have always understood that it is Daddy's family's holiday and the focus is on being together, getting presents, leaving cookies and milk out for Santa, and watching the 'Santa Tracker' on Grandma's computer." In addition to their Christmas trip in December, they visit relatives in the summertime – Laura's in Connecticut, Long Island and New York City; Jason's back in Western New York.

Both parents are ardent supporters of their kids' educational, athletic and artistic endeavors. In the fall Ella will enter high school and Orion will be a middle school student. He, a loyal NY Yankees fan, has developed a strong affinity for playing baseball and has dreams of playing for Columbia University, since it's not too far from Yankee Stadium, and being recruited by the Yankees. While Ella is into art and soccer, her main extracurricular endeavor is swimming, and she has been swimming competitively for The Edge since she was eight years old. Laura and Ella have logged a lot time traveling to and from the Upper Valley Aquatic Center in White River Junction. And while the Cooper girls have their mother-daughter swim weekends there, Jason and Orion enjoy fun boys' weekends at home together.

Well known for her organizational skills, Laura launched her own business, Streamline with Style, LLC in 2014. She has accepted both large and small decluttering, organizing, and streamlining projects, but admits that being a business owner could have completely taken

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## INTERFAITH/SOCIAL ACTION



How can we as Jews proactively respond to hate speech and potential violence against us on an ongoing sustainable way? How can we craft a response to that which confronts us, rather than simply react to particular incidents?

There are a number of ways. We are fortunate to have a rabbi and executive director who have been engaged and active in efforts to do so.

The Interfaith/Social Action Committee is undertaking our own efforts to take on these issues. There are many ways to act. The criteria must be that we are thoughtful, strategic and decisive as we proceed.

One action that we are undertaking is to identify and develop relationships with others in our Greater Burlington community who are also vulnerable to the hatred we have experienced recently and are likely to see again.

We must meet people where they are.

This means that we can undertake projects with some of these folks. We are already sponsors for Stopping Stones, a national organization, locally based. Stopping Stones “brings attention to the history of slavery in local communities in order to advance racial equity.”

Yes, we have a history of slavery here in Vermont.

We can and will listen deeply to others, like new Americans, members of the trans community, African Americans and others who feel and are disenfranchised and vulnerable in our community. We will listen to their stories and we will relate our own stories. We will form relationships that will allow us to offer support and receive support when anti-Semitism, racism, xenophobia and other forms of hurt are hurled at those of us who are different in our community. We will strengthen our ongoing relationship with members of the Islamic Society of Vermont.

Occasionally, we can also sponsor programs that bring people together to foster these goals. We can also elicit the support and help of friends in the faith community and other places who have been present to support us when there is trouble, and when they can share our joy.

This effort is a long term project. It will not happen overnight. It takes effort to build a coalition over time. No small group of committee members can do it all; this will require an effort on the part of members of the coalition.

Do your own small part so that we can accomplish something that is larger and that is significant.

The next meeting of the Interfaith/Social Action committee will be held on Sunday, May 5 at 10:30 am.

Please feel free to contact me.

Shalom,

~ Michael Schaal  
mpschaal@comcast.net

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*Profile, cont'd from page 9*

over her life. She's found that relying on word-of-mouth to promote her services, rather than going full bore into advertising and promotion, keeps things manageable. "I'm as busy as I want to be," she says. Having joined Queen City BNI (Business Network International), an organization committed to assisting fellow members to build professional relationships and grow their businesses, she became a BNI Ambassador in 2016, with the opportunity to travel throughout the state to all the BNI Vermont chapters sharing ideas, listening to needs and promoting Vermont's business network.

Laura is also on the substitute teacher list for the South Burlington schools, K through 12, sometimes spending three or four days a week in the classroom. "I like being on the inside, especially in the middle school," she says. "The kids know me as Ella's mom or Orion's mom." She's aware that this keeps students better behaved than they'd probably be for unknown subs.

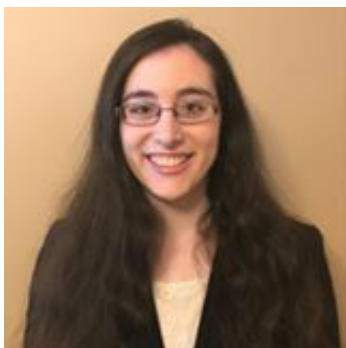
And then there's OZ. "When I walked in, it felt like home to me," Laura says. Ella celebrated her bat mitzvah in April of 2018 and Orion already has a June date on the 2022 calendar. In recognition of her energy, skill and commitment to Judaism, Laura has been asked to join the Board of Directors; however, she says, she's not ready at present, leaving the door open for future participation. Over the past several years she has been devoting her time to the Hebrew School Committee. "The Cooper family is amazing," says OZHS principal Naomi Barell. "From committee meetings to NADAV Teen Internship gatherings, from dressing up for Purim and the Desert Tent Jamboree to funding our Bagel Brunches, their dedication, participation and support of our Hebrew School has been invaluable."

The legacy continues.....

~ Judy Hershberg



## AN OPEN LETTER TO THE CONGREGATION



Dear all,

I have had such a wonderful experience working here over the past four years. It is a bittersweet moment as I leave OZ at the end of June to attend cantorial school at Hebrew College in Newton, MA. Over the next three years I will receive the training to earn Cantorial Ordination and a Master's in Jewish Education. I am thankful to have a father who has taught me to become a strong and confident prayer leader. My experience and expertise will complement the musical training and Jewish text study I will receive at Hebrew College.

My journey here began in college when I met my now husband, Jacob Munro. He and his family introduced me to Ohavi Zedek where I fell in love with the congregation. After volunteering to read Torah every time I visited Vermont, I was hired as a part-time service leader and b'nai mitzvah tutor. I commuted here every other week from Connecticut and grew to love Vermont's crisp air and beauty.

In 2017 I led High Holy Day services for the first time. Hearing 400 congregants singing and harmonizing together was a powerful and moving experience. I realized that I belonged on the *bima*, leading others in prayer and creating a warm and spiritual environment. I have progressed greatly from when I began my journey four years ago. I am more confident, my voice has matured, and I have learned many successful educational techniques.

I have gotten so much joy out of singing with the Preschool and Hebrew School, teaching Adult Education Hebrew courses, tutoring b'nai mitzvah students, chanting Torah every week, and working with a warm, thoughtful, and supportive staff. As my father inscribed to me in my *tikkun* (book used for preparing to read a Torah scroll), "*D'racheha darchei no'am, v'chol n'tivoteha shalom. Al tikra banayich, ela bonayich*: The ways of the Torah are ways of pleasantness, all its paths are peace. Don't call them your children, but your builders."

Sincerely,  
Kochava Krieger Munro

Please join us on  
Saturday, June 22 after Shabbat Services  
at approximately 11:30 am  
for a farewell luncheon/party honoring Kochava



## FULL CIRCLE PRESCHOOL



In the coming months, Full Circle will be preparing for another expansion! We are excited to announce that as of August 2019, Full Circle Preschool will have a total of five classrooms: an infant room, a young toddler room, an older toddler room, a preschool 'threes' room, and a pre-kindergarten room. This

has allowed us to meet the growing needs of our learning community as we continue to welcome new siblings and families. We are so thankful to our community at OZ for giving us the chance to grow with such great success in just under two years.

After a long winter, spring has finally arrived at the Preschool! The children have been eagerly searching for signs of spring around our neighborhood and within our beautiful woods. They have spent many days observing a family of deer that seem to go back and forth between the

lawns of Fern Hill and the woods of OZ. Witnessing nature with children is always such an enriching experience. When in the presence of children, spotting a deer, finding the first worm of the season, or discovering new buds on our apple tree brings a whole new joy. In the words of the late poet Mary Oliver, *"Give them fields and the woods and the possibility of the world salvaged from the lords of profit. Stand them in the stream, head them upstream, rejoice as they learn to love this green space they live in, its sticks and leaves and then the silent, beautiful blossoms. **Attention is the beginning of devotion.**"* This is how we raise our children to be lovers of justice as stewards of the earth. It is a gentle reminder to us all.

Throughout the spring and summer months, the children of Full Circle will be working in our garden beds to grow vegetables they can enjoy together during Friday morning Shabbat celebrations, herbs they can make into tea and use in daily tea practices, and flowers they can pick fresh for the classrooms each week.

~ Erika Geremia



*Looking for Spring!*



*Celebrating Purim*





# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## New Member

- Joe Davidson  
Joe has been a friendly face at Shabbat services, and several years ago he presented a fascinating talk for Lunch & Learn. He recently retired, so he will have more time to devote to synagogue activities. Welcome, Joe!

## Condolences

- To Jackie Lampert on the death of her husband, Henry (Hank) Lampert
- To Joe Blum and Iris and Mark Banks and family on the death of Joe's wife and Iris's mother, Tova Blum
- To Asher Schonfeld on the death of his grandfather, David Picker

## Mazel Tov

- To Katie Taylor, Navah Spero, and big brother Mo on the birth of a baby girl, Eliana Grace Taylor-Spero

## Thank you

- To Josh and Kathryn Kernoff for another fun-filled Trivia Night. Can't wait until the next one!

### Shabbat Birthday Kiddush Luncheons



Immediately following services  
May 11-celebrate April and May birthdays

June 8-All summer birthday celebration (June, July and August)

### The Lost Mural Immigrant Voice Project Welcomes Henia Lewin, recipient of the prestigious Covenant Award for Outstanding Jewish Educator in North America

**Sunday, May 5 2:00 - 5:00 pm**

Her talk: *A Survivor's Mission: Preserving Yiddish Language and Literature*

Yiddish music and refreshments

Free and open to the public. Donations gladly accepted.



## Sunday, June 2 at 12:00 pm in the OZ Social Hall

Join us for an informative program presented by Genzyme about Jewish Genetic Diseases. Free of charge.

HADASSAH



RSVP REQUIRED FOR LUNCH.

Contact Fern feblood@comcast.net or (802) 241-4181 to register.

Time to renew or become a new Chai Society participant! You can send your \$180 donation on the Hadassah website to Linda Kopper, 3763 VT Rte 109, Waterville, VT 05492. Participants attend our Chai Tea for free. Stay tuned for more information about our Chocolate Sculpture Chai Tea!!!!

## LUNCH & LEARN

Our recent L&L programs took us from South Burlington (*Building a Downtown*) in **March** to Moldova (*How the 1903 Kishinev Pogrom Shocked the World*) in **April**. Both presentations were highly informative. Our thanks to Ilona Blanchard and Cathynn LaRose, representing the South Burlington Planning Commission, and to history buff Wayne Senville.

### MAY 16 at noon



*Girl Rising: Changing the World One Girl at a Time*

Author Tanya Lee Stone will discuss the global campaign for education of girls around the world.

This is the final program of the 2018/2019 L&L series. Many thanks to Richard Witting, Gary Coffey at Lake Champlain chocolates and our many wonderful volunteers.

This season was dedicated to the memory of Barbara Silver, whose culinary artistry meant so much to our program.

## LIBRARY



Thanks to some terrific volunteers working in pairs and small groups on Tuesday and Sunday afternoons, the library reorganization is nearly complete. (Check it out!) There is more to do, but now the real question is, What do OZ members want from their library? We have cookbooks, art books, books about how to have the

best bar/bat mitzvah or wedding or family life, books on Jewish ethics and history and Israel/the Middle East, and of course books on spirituality, Judaism generally, and Torah/Talmud study, and biography and literature (poetry, plays, short stories, novels). There are picture books for the little ones and chapter books for older kids. Is that what you want? (There's a suggestion box in the library.) We even have a small section of Yiddish novels in translation.

If there is enough interest, we will hold a monthly reading/discussion series of Yiddish literature in translation beginning in June or July. If you are interested, please let me know ([wizowaty@burlingtontelecom.net](mailto:wizowaty@burlingtontelecom.net)).

We want to build a collection of books by OZ members. We would love for you to drop off a copy of your books (for those of you who are terribly prolific, maybe limit it to your favorite 3-5!). Leave them in the first bookcase to the right as you come in. We are excited about sharing our community's resources in this way. Thanks, Jeff Potash, for the suggestion!

Watch for a HUGE BOOK SALE/GIVEAWAY during/after the Congregational Meeting on June 2.

Watch for a "People-of-the-Book library tour"—really a program of book exploration and games—during Tikkun Leil Shavuot, June 8.

If you'd like to help to build the Sally Hand Memorial Library in any way, big or small, let me know. Thanks.

~ Suzi Wizowaty



## SHAVUOT

Look for new faces and new learning opportunities as we co-present Tikkun Leil Shavuot this year at OZ with Temple Sinai.

Saturday, June 8 7:00 pm

### Highlights include:

- New expressions of spirituality in Israel with Rabbi Amy
- The sacredness of law with Temple Sinai's Rabbi Edleson
- Poetry with Huck Gutman
- Sharing the treasures in our revitalized library with Suzi Wizowaty
- Music in both learning sessions and much more
- And cheesecake!

### Schedule:

- 7:00 pm Mincha (Afternoon) Service with song and chant to open the evening
- 7:30 pm First Workshop Session
- 8:30 pm Cheesecake, Shmoozing
- 9:00 pm Ma'ariv (Evening) Service
- 9:30 pm Second Workshop Session



Watch for further details about our workshops.

## Purim FUN



David Bowie!





Hello everybody!

*Yom Ha'atzmaut* is quickly approaching as spring comes into full bloom, so I have some Israeli recipes for you to try. I would like to introduce you to *matbucha*, a Moroccan tomato and pepper salad, and an Israeli style baked pita bread called *pitot*.

Matbucha means 'cooked salad' in Arabic. According to some, it may be the most common form of salad in all of Israel, and it has so many different variations. Traditionally, matbucha is made with green peppers, but many have used the sweeter red peppers to round out the flavor of the dish. It is very flavorful, employing lots of paprika, salt, oil, and jalapeño pepper in this variation to create a spread that can be eaten alongside anything. Since matbucha is so revered in Israel, I found it very appropriate to be presented and eaten with an Israeli variation of pita bread.

Pita is actually a Greek term that means 'flat.' Pita bread was first mentioned in the Babylonian Talmud, and was originally used as both bread and a utensil. The most defining characteristic of today's pita is the large air pocket that separates two layers of the bread. This allows it to easily absorb or hold nearly any hummus or salad that is served alongside. Many marinated cuts and styles of meat are served directly into pita bread, which can serve as a plate. I find this to be an exceptional display of culinary genius.

When I prepared these two treats, it was pretty simple to time them so one finished at the same time as the other. My advice for the matbucha is to use either a blending tool or a food processor to really get the smooth texture and mouthfeel. The flavor is already so explosive that giving it another layer of complexity really brightens the meal. For the pita, make sure not to overwork the dough, punch it down too hard or bake it for too long, or it will not have the air pocket and will compress instead into a hard biscuit. Making matbucha and pitot was really fun, and my family was delighted to have a delicious Middle Eastern meal that evening.

Matbucha: <https://www.thespruceeats.com/matboucha-moroccan-tomato-and-pepper-salad-2121737>

Israeli Pita: <https://www.thespruceeats.com/israeli-pita-bread-2121767>

~ Justin Schaaf



You tell 'em Ruthie!

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Sonny and Cher-I got you babe!



## B'NAI MITZVAH

**Liz Greenberg and Eric Hall  
invite the Congregation to  
attend the Bat Mitzvah  
of their daughter  
Rebecca Dorit Hall**



**Shabbat, May 18, 9:15 am  
Kiddush following services**

**Jason Paymar Lorber and  
Nathaniel Geoffrey Lew  
invite the Congregation to  
attend the Bar Mitzvah of their son  
Maxwell Elliot Lorber-Lew**



**Shabbat, June 1, 9:15 am  
Kiddush following services**

**Jory Hearst and Grace Oedel  
invite the Congregation to  
attend their joint  
Bat Mitzvah**



**Shabbat, June 15, 9:15 am  
Kiddush following services**

**Steven and Wendy Ades  
invite the Congregation to  
attend the Bat Mitzvah  
of their daughter  
Tessa Joy Ades**



**Shabbat, June 29, 9:15 am  
Kiddush following services**

## FERN HILL UPDATE

Fern Hill, next door to OZ, provides housing to low-income seniors and non-seniors with disabilities. The complex is owned by Synagogue Corporation, whose Board of Directors is comprised of Ohavi Zedek members or their family members.

During the fall and winter, you may have noticed construction vehicles and workers at Fern Hill. In 2018 the Synagogue Corporation qualified for financing from the Affordable Housing Program through its sponsor, People's United Bank and the Federal Home Loan Bank Boston. This financing allowed Synagogue Corporation to upgrade and renovate Fern Hill while paying off the original HUD mortgage from 1979 and roof repairs. Synagogue Corporation also entered into a new HAP (Housing Assistance Payments) contract with the Department of Housing and Urban Development, ensuring project-based Section 8 assistance through 2040.

Fern Hill now has a second elevator; an addition providing additional community spaces, including a kitchen and dining area, an exercise space and a fireplace room; an office for services; and a meeting room. Amenities have been added, including new carpeting and flooring, new interior lighting, new doors, an accessible and upgraded kitchen for community events, upgraded individual thermostats, and other improvements. We're waiting for the weather to improve for the landscaping to be completed.

Recently, a Music Together Generations Program started with families from Full Circle Preschool and residents of Fern Hill. This program will run through the end of May. Joanna May and Allison Mott are the Music Together teachers who will be helped by Hebrew School student Toby Hecht. This is Toby's bar mitzvah project.

Max Lorber-Lew's bar mitzvah project is creating art work for Fern Hill. He has shared sketches and ideas with residents while completing his project. His art work will be placed by the elevators on each floor.

Synagogue Corporation will be adding a history of Fern Hill to the OZ website in the future that will start by remembering the late Rabbi Max Wall's vision and cover key milestones at Fern Hill.

~ Lila Shapero  
Synagogue Corporation



OHAVI ZEDEK

### Adult Education

**Tikkun Leil Shavuot**  
**Saturday, June 8,**  
**7:00 to 10:00 pm**

Ohavi Zedek and Temple Sinai are joining together at Ohavi Zedek to celebrate Shavuot Tikkun Leil. Join us for learning—two sessions of workshops with cheesecake during the break.

See page 14 for highlights.

### Planning for next year

Think about joining the Adult Education Committee as we consider proposals. Contact Nancy Sugarman (vze20n9j@gmail.com) if you want to join this terrific group! So far, ideas range from reading translated Yiddish classics to a Jewish film festival to history classes and more. If you wish to propose a class, please complete the Request to Teach a Class form at <http://ohavizedek.org/education/adult-education>.

### In the Community

Final lecture in Racism in America series:  
*The Browning of America: Reconciliation or Retribution.*

Wednesday, May 7  
6:30 - 8:30 pm beginning with a potluck

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
273 VT Route 15, Jericho

~ Lila Shapero

## OZ's Trip to Israel!

Join us on the Journey of a Lifetime  
November 3 - 15, 2019.

For more information, contact:

**Robin Misgav** (robin@igt.co.il) - registration info  
**Rabbi Amy Small** (rabbiamy@ohavizedek.org)

To register for the journey:

[makorjourneys.com/journey/ohavi-zedek-synagogue](http://makorjourneys.com/journey/ohavi-zedek-synagogue)





**Cemetery Perpetual Care**

*In Loving Memory of* Beatrice Baker Gould and Michael Gold by Phyllis Gold

**Chevra Kadisha**

*In Loving Memory of*  
Philip Snyder by Lee Lichtenstein & Cynthia Snyder  
Frank Goldstein by Michael & Cheryl Goldstein

**Mark Evnin Endowment**

*In Memory of* Mark Evnin by Keith Kasper & Fran Pomerantz

**Facilities Fund**

*In Loving Memory of* Benjamin Stein by Debby Stein Sharpe

**Rose Flax & Louis Epstein Endowment**

*In Loving Memory of* Celia Reiter Paul by Allan & Elsie Paul

**Morris & Marion Garbo Endowment**

*In Loving Memory of* Morris Ben Garbo by Howard Drobner & Maxine Garbo

**General Fund**

Barry and Adrienne Galowin, David & Holly Pasackow,  
Margaret Nichols, William Nichols  
*In Honor of* Howard Kalfus by Elizabeth Novotny  
*In Loving Memory of*  
Ruby Helfand by Elliot & Martha Helfand  
Charles David Cohen by Sara Sussman  
*In Memory of* Lillian Finkelstein by Richard & Linda Finkelstein

**Jack & Sally Gershen Endowment**

*In Memory of* Enid Gershen by Ben Kropsky & Yolanda Schaefer-Kropsky

**Bailey Goldberg Endowment**

*In Loving Memory of* Sylvia Melnick Greenfield by Edie Goldberg

**Hyman & Yetta Harris Endowment**

*In Loving Memory of* Doris Harris Pearl by Rosalie Harris

**Hebrew School**

*In Memory of* Yana and Gita Wisgardisky by Len Kamins &

Henia Wisgardisky Lewin

**Kiddush Fund**

Annette Zeff, David & Carol Buchdahl, Jeffrey Klein & Judy Tam, Mark Stoler, Richard & Linda Finkelstein  
*In Honor of* Diana Jacoby by Mike Strauss & Rebecca Sherlock  
*In Memory of* Gloria Fierverker by Mallory & Marcia Parker

**Lunch & Learn/Dine & Discover**

Rose Pels  
*With Gratitude to* Rose Pels, Stella Bukanc and L & L Volunteers by David & Judy Hershberg  
*In Memory of* Barbara Silver by David & Judy Hershberg

**Mary Ann Pels Memorial Kitchen Fund**

*In Loving Memory of*  
Marvin Krieger by Arnold Krieger  
David Pearl by Jane Pearl  
Barbara Silver by Lee Silver

**Mural Restoration Fund**

Amy Waterman, Arthur Kunin & Mary Grass,  
Eugene & Joan Kalkin, Marvin Aber, Michael Healy & Debra Blumberg, Mitchell Fried, Neil Groberg & Ellen Wolfson, Rose Pels, Ruth Skiff, Susan Leff  
*In Honor of* Sander Bieber by Paul & Elaine Bieber  
*In Loving Memory of* Bernard Cohen by David Cohen & Alan Tetreault  
*In Memory of*  
Jay Rosenberg by Barbara Rosenberg  
Judy Cohen by Margaret Hasler

**Rev Nadelson Endowment**

*In Loving Memory of*  
Morris Nadelson and Eliezer Nadelson by Annette Lazarus

**Preschool**

*In Honor of*  
Ari Edson, Maya Edson, Sarah Coleman and Dan Edson by Ray & Rebecca Coleman

**Purim/Mishloach Manot**

Allie & Jason Nerenberg, Bill Miller, Bob & Amy Small, Daniel Seeley & Adele Wolfson, David & Judy Hershberg, David Brown & Vivien Rabin Brown, Frank & Ducky Donath, Gary & Miriam Sturgis, Gary Visco & Judy Danzig, Jacob Holzberg-Pill & Grace Oedel, Marvin & Betty Libson,

These tributes were made from  
Feb. 1 - Mar 31, 2019

## TRIBUTES

These tributes were made from  
Feb. 1 - Mar 31, 2019

Matthew & Peggy Price, Nathaniel Lew & Jason Lorber,  
Rick Hecht & Sharon Panitch, Suzi Wizowaty

### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Gillard Mathys & Lynda Siegel, John and Alice Rouleau  
*In Appreciation of* Rabbi Amy, Grace, Raul and Tari by Jeff  
Priest & Nazly Guzman  
*In Loving Memory of*  
Daniel Benjamin Brown by Abe & Jean Brown  
Nettie Finger by Douglas Aiken & Adele Finger  
Alvin Sloofman by Leigh & Leslie Dolin  
Louis Bick by Robert & Carol Bick  
Jack Braun by Suzanne Brown  
*In Memory of*  
Mannie Cohen by Michael & Dana Engel

### Talmud Torah

*In Loving Memory of*  
Victor Morris Ades by Philip Ades & Deborah Rubin

### Miriam Wall Education Fund

*In Memory of* Gloria Fierverker by Mallory & Marcia  
Parker



### CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

We are grateful for the following scholarship funds which enable local youth to enjoy summer camps and Israel programs:

**The Howard Richie Lazarus Jewish Camping Scholarship Fund** was established by Eugene (z"l) and Annette Lazarus in memory of their son, Richie Lazarus (z"l).

**The Greenberg - Lopkin Jewish Camping Scholarship Fund** was created several years ago in honor of the wedding of Marv and Diane Greenberg's daughter Nicole and her husband, Jon Lopkin.

**The Green - Bratspis Israel Youth Trip Scholarship Fund** was created by the Greenbergs in honor of their daughter Renee and her husband, Jeff Bratspis. This scholarship provides financial aid for educational trips and programs in Israel.

*Yahrzeits marked with an asterisk (\*) have a plaque in the Samuelson-Saiger Sanctuary.*

## YAHREZEITS

### Wednesday 5/1/2019

Aaron I. Garbo\*  
Steve Rouda  
Ada Smith Rubman

### Thursday 5/2/2019

Max Barney\*  
Diane Berlin  
Dora Gertrude Friedman\*  
Jacob V. Silverman\*

### Friday 5/3/2019

Idah Colodny Aronstam\*  
Max Samuelson\*  
Anne Rachel Shelansky\*

### Saturday 5/4/2019

Sara Bramson Frank\*  
Murray Libstag  
Dr. Maurice Machanic\*  
Mortimer Adler Rosalsky\*  
Lewis K. Sussman\*

### Sunday 5/5/2019

Sid Bergstein  
Priscilla Kirlancheek  
Jed Picoff\*

### Monday 5/6/2019

Harold 'Heshie' Kushner\*  
Nancy Raizen  
Max Wasserman\*

### Tuesday 5/7/2019

Carrie Kramer Jacobs\*  
Benjamin A. Rubel\*  
Ethel G. Samuelson Tarshis\*

### Wednesday 5/8/2019

Florence Block  
Dora Silverman Cannon\*  
Anna M. Saiger Cohen\*  
Candie Datnoff  
Ruth Abrams Davies\*  
Louis Levine\*  
Melvin Senville

### Friday 5/10/2019

Rose Cohen Abrams\*  
Herbert Daniel Cohen\*  
Chaia Fage Samuelson\*

### Saturday 5/11/2019

Joseph Bramson\*  
Abraham Joseph Cohen\*  
Dr. Harris Cohen\*  
Carl Freitag\*  
Eva Samets  
Yaeseef E. Sussman\*  
Julius B. Thomas\*

### Sunday 5/12/2019

Rochel R. Asner\*  
Isadore Curley Shapiro\*  
Carrye Glass\*  
Louis Gould\*  
Ronald Paul Held\*

### Monday 5/13/2019

Sarah Lena Cannon\*  
Nathalie Goldberg  
Harry H. Tarshis\*

### Tuesday 5/14/2019

Sharon Blau  
Victor M. Corman\*  
Tessie Donath Engel  
Stella Wolk Lazarus\*  
Man Labe Levin\*  
Rosalind 'Roxy' Solomon\*

### Wednesday 5/15/2019

Gertrude Liner Brown\*  
Freida Rachel Cohen\*  
Hyman Cohen\*  
Bessie Fine\*  
Bertha Mann Freitag\*  
Eleanor Hershfang  
Samuel J. Hershfang  
Jessica Silverman Liebs  
Ruth Cohen Newman\*  
Jacob Shapiro\*

### Thursday 5/16/2019

Max Fishman\*  
Morris J. Levin\*  
Joshua London  
Gussie Friedman Messie\*  
Beth Judy Rosen

### Friday 5/17/2019

Jessica Dolin  
Ethel Brown Glasston\*  
Nathan Leekoff\*  
Louis Michaelson\*  
Harold Small

### Saturday 5/18/2019

Max Alpert\*  
Nathan Gladstone\*  
Goldie Horn  
Samuel Z. Melnick\*  
Ida Gertrude Sakowitz

### Sunday 5/19/2019

Erwin Alexander Alpern  
Lena Feinberg Alpert\*  
Eina Frendenthal  
Louis Israel Grodzinsky\*  
Bernard Val Lapidow\*  
Max Shapiro\*

### Monday 5/20/2019

Clara Levinson  
Ethel Joyce Paul  
Shirley Saferstein  
Phil Schonfeld

### Tuesday 5/21/2019

Fanny Baker\*  
Joyce Goldberg\*  
Rose Greenblott Rubel\*

### Wednesday 5/22/2019

William Arkin\*  
Harold Brody\*  
Harry M. Fine\*  
Marion Garbo\*  
Nathan Greenfield\*  
Sylvia Grodzinsky\*  
Fanny Turner\*

### Thursday 5/23/2019

Richard L. Alpert\*  
Helen A. Yett Bayer\*  
Arthur Harley Goldfield  
Sara N. Rosenberg\*  
Fannie Rosenthal\*  
George Rutstein\*  
Henry Lawrence Turner\*  
Rabbi Max B. Wall\*

### Friday 5/24/2019

Samuel Frank\*  
Louis Goldsmith\*

### Saturday 5/25/2019

Rose Carr\*  
Abraham Cohen\*  
Lewis Colodny\*  
Diana Young Flur\*  
Judith Kay Lisman\*  
Israel Miller\*  
Lena Polov\*  
Violet Shapiro\*  
Ruth Waldman\*

### Sunday 5/26/2019

Esther Cohen Brown  
Joseph Freitag\*  
Anna Margolis  
Esther Scheinfeld

### Monday 5/27/2019

Joseph Ebenhart\*  
Rose Levin Machanic\*

### Tuesday 5/28/2019

Rosa Buchdahl  
Harry Gold\*  
Walter Irwin Heimer  
Aaron Lieb Rosenstreich  
Rev. Samuel Saltzberg\*

### Wednesday 5/29/2019

Fanny Chase\*  
Marion Foss  
Roslynne Greenberg  
Sharon Vandor

### Thursday 5/30/2019

Marion Tilley Berson\*  
Jacob Z. Fine\*  
Abraham E. Grodzinsky\*  
Louis Milstone\*  
Barnet M. Rome  
Samuel A. Rosenberg\*

### Friday 5/31/2019

Edythe Cannon Daniels\*  
Joseph Elihu Frank\*  
Daisy Lapidow\*  
Martin Livingston  
Claire Lorraine Paresky Pearl  
Abraham C. Rosenberg\*  
Clara Wax\*



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## YAHREZEITS

### Saturday 6/1/2019

Julius Michael Bornstein\*  
Sadah Schuhari Colodny\*  
Frances Fineman  
Rose Milestone Lapidow\*  
Ida Itskovitz Miller\*

### Sunday 6/2/2019

Alice Bloomfield\*  
Harriet Krieger\*  
Gertrude Lazarus Rosen\*  
Harry Saltzman\*

### Monday 6/3/2019

Katharine Moran  
Comstock  
Myer Lippa\*  
Eve Alpert Magram\*  
Florence Slotnick  
Medlinsky\*  
Sol Weisman\*

### Tuesday 6/4/2019

Rose E. Cohen  
Esther Boyarsky Gaffin\*  
Lillie (Levin) Goldberg\*  
Simon Perlmutter\*  
Benjamin Vaysberg

### Wednesday 6/5/2019

Bessie Sacks Agel\*  
Joan Rea Levin Blumer\*  
Jacob Kaplan\*  
Benjamin Yett\*

### Thursday 6/6/2019

James A. Paul\*  
Zvi Yasef Tilser\*

### Friday 6/7/2019

Margo Adler-Libstag  
Rose Agel\*  
Benjamin Dolin  
Nathan Finkelstein  
Harold Levine\*  
Dora Gerber Schwartz\*  
Miriam Silverman  
Alexander Sohn  
Selma Woronoff\*

### Saturday 6/8/2019

Fannie Levin Faint\*  
Dr. Judith Koplewitz\*  
Morris Levin\*

### Sunday 6/9/2019

Clayton Carr\*

### Monday 6/10/2019

Bessie Bayarsky\*  
Robert Samuel Levy\*  
Rabbi Harris William Sacks\*  
Israel Yeankelwitz  
Gussie Zeskind\*

### Tuesday 6/11/2019

Mamie Glasston Adler\*  
Ethel Stroh Harris\*  
Francis Joseph Kasper  
Ruth Pearl Kropsky\*  
May Shur\*  
Seymour Smith\*  
Glen Lee Weinberg

### Wednesday 6/12/2019

Sidney Hyman Barovick  
Mary Fabricant\*  
Philip Smilovitz\*

### Thursday 6/13/2019

Rebecca Fine Agel\*  
Yusef Barcohana  
Bernice Bayer\*  
Itzhok Michol Eisenstadt\*  
Lillian Klein  
Walter Krinovitz\*  
Louis Samuelson\*  
Benjamin Skoll

### Friday 6/14/2019

Rosie Kitayewitz\*  
Dora Miller  
Harry Rothman  
Mordecai L. Sugarman  
Pauline Zablotsky\*  
  
Gertrude G. Bick  
Irving C. Brown\*  
Sadie Cannon\*  
Hyman Krinovitz  
Frieda Colodny Maser  
Shacne Shure  
Louis Weiss\*

### Sunday 6/16/2019

Jacob Bloomenthal\*  
Ida Rosenberg Broide\*  
Jacob Gershen\*  
Mayer Goldberg\*  
Gary Gordon\*  
Murray Weiner

### Monday 6/17/2019

Bertha Stargart Brown\*  
Harry Gardner\*  
Bessie Esther Levin\*  
Rebecca Levine\*  
Morris Markowicz  
Dr. Harold E. Medivetsky\*  
Phyllis F. Perelman  
Dora Rachel Saltzberg\*  
Esther Weiss\*  
Abraham Winner

### Tuesday 6/18/2019

John Epstein\*  
Ellis Greenblott\*  
Dr. Myer Levin\*  
Victor Rogove\*  
Edith Winner\*

### Wednesday 6/19/2019

Freda Agel Corman\*  
Ethel Garbo\*  
Guttia Perlmutter\*  
Isaac Sirkin\*  
Jerold Wizowaty

### Thursday 6/20/2019

Howard Lawrence Cohen  
Dr. Meyer Levin\*  
Hyman Wasserman\*

### Friday 6/21/2019

Belle Blistein\*  
Fannie Green Cohen\*  
Rebecca Katz Dessell\*  
Dr. Herbert N. Lazarus\*  
Louis Riven  
Rosa D. Wolk\*

### Saturday 6/22/2019

Max Davis  
Rose Gewirtz\*  
Bessie London Goldman\*  
Myer Morris  
Soloman Perelman\*  
Sheppard Saul Povlin\*

### Sunday 6/23/2019

Pauline Behar  
Samuel C. Hoffman  
Irene Kahn\*  
Frances Krinovitz\*  
Judy Gladstone Swade  
Dr. Ernestine Wildholz\*  
Judith Albaum Zaetz\*

### Monday 6/24/2019

Rose Stuhl Glass\*  
Flora Baron Hirschel\*  
Samuel James Hirshon\*  
George Moskowicz  
Ruth Litzky Saiger  
Elizabeth Betty Samuelson\*  
Fannie Weinock  
Isaac Zirinsky\*

### Wednesday 6/26/2019

Dorothy Lefkowitz  
Eleanor Bloom Potash\*  
Tsvi Samuelson\*

### Thursday 6/27/2019

Harry Fierverker\*  
Dr. Reuben H. Frogel  
A. Louis Hershberg\*  
David Maringer\*  
Angelo Sockol\*  
Sara Weinstock\*

### Friday 6/28/2019

Dr. Arnold Herbert Colodny\*  
Tillie Fine\*  
Millie Flax\*  
Benjamin Frank\*  
David Aaron Shur\*

### Saturday 6/29/2019

Dorothy Bramson Burman\*  
Ursula Speier Growald\*  
Barbara Ruth Hershberg\*  
Adam Jeremy Kofman\*  
Emma Claudia Peller  
Lee Stoller\*

### Sunday 6/30/2019

Yetta Rosenbaum Harris\*  
Sadie Lampert\*  
Sholom Mendelson\*

## MAY 2019

1

12:00 PM Wednesday Afternoon Group  
4:00 PM Hebrew School  
7:00 PM Yom Hashoah Memorial Service & Program with evening minyan at Temple Sinai

2

3:00 PM Events Committee Meeting

4

9:15 AM Traditional Service  
10:00 AM Parallel Service in the Yurt

5

9:30 AM Hebrew School  
9:30 AM B'nai Mitzvah Subcommittee Meeting  
10:30 AM Social Action Committee Meeting  
2:00 PM Mural Event  
7:30 PM Israeli Dancing

8

12:00 PM Wednesday Afternoon Group

9

4:00 PM Community wide Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebration at Veteran's Memorial Park

10

5:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service  
5:45 PM Tot Shabbat  
6:30 PM Potluck

11

11:30 AM April/May Birthday Kiddush

12

9:30 AM Hebrew School  
10:00 AM Hebrew School Commencement  
4:00 PM Singing Community  
5:30 PM Immigration Working Group Meeting

14

5:45 PM Adult Ed Committee Meeting

15

12:00 PM Wednesday Afternoon Group

16

12:00 PM Lunch & Learn  
5:30 PM Board Meeting

17

6:00 PM Festive Shabbat Service

18

9:15 AM Rebecca Hall Bat Mitzvah

19

7:30 PM Israeli Dancing

21

7:20 PM Religious Committee Meeting

22

12:00 PM Wednesday Afternoon Group

23

5:30 PM Interfaith Seder

24

6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service followed by Potluck at Rabbi Amy's home

26

4:00 PM Singing Community

27 - Office Closed for Memorial Day

29

12:00 PM Wednesday Afternoon Group

31

6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service at Oakledge Park



## JUNE 2019

1 9:15 AM Max Lorber-Lew Bar Mitzvah	18 7:20 PM Religious Committee Meeting
2 9:30 AM Congregational Meeting 12:00 PM Hadassah Luncheon 7:30 PM Israeli Dancing	19 12:00 PM Wednesday Afternoon Group
5 12:00 PM Wednesday Afternoon Group	20 5:30 PM Board Meeting
8 9:15 AM Traditional Service 10:00 AM Parallel Service 11:30 AM Summer Birthday Kiddush 7:00 PM Tikkun Leil Shavuot Service	21 6:00 PM Refugee Shabbat with Potluck following
9 9:00 AM Shavuot Service 4:00 PM Singing Community 5:30 PM Immigration Working Group Meeting NO EVENING MINYAN	22 11:30 AM Kiddush Farewell Luncheon/Party honoring Kochava
10 - Office Closed Yizkor/Shavuot 9:00 AM Shavuot Service with Yizkor	23 4:00 PM Singing Community 5:30 PM Immigration Working Group
12 12:00 PM Wednesday Afternoon Group	26 12:00 PM Wednesday Afternoon Group
14 5:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service 5:45 PM Tot Shabbat 6:30 PM Potluck	28 6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service followed by potluck at Rabbi Amy's home
15 9:15 AM Jory Hearst and Grace Oedel Bat Mitzvah	29 9:15 AM Tessa Ades Bat Mitzvah
16 7:30 PM Israeli Dancing	

### Please note the following ongoing activities

- *Daily Minyan*: Every Sunday at 9 am and 7 pm; every Monday - Thursday, 7 pm
- *Wednesday group*: Every Wednesday at 12:00 pm
- *Services*: Second Friday of the month 5:30 pm, every other Friday 6 pm
- *Festive Service* on third Friday of the month
- *Torah Study*: Every Saturday at 8:30 am (*with coffee*)
- *Saturday morning Services*: at 9:15 am (*including Federal holidays*)

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May 3	7:41 pm	6:00 pm	May 4	9:15 am	8:41 pm
May 10	7:50 pm	6:00 pm	May 11	9:15 am	8:50 pm
May 17	7:58 pm	6:00 pm	May 18	9:15 am	8:58 pm
May 24	8:05 pm	6:00 pm	May 25	9:15 am	9:05 pm
May 31	8:11 pm	6:00 pm	June 1	9:15 am	9:11 pm
June 7	8:17 pm	6:00 pm	June 8	9:15 am	9:17 pm
June 14	8:21 pm	6:00 pm	June 15	9:15 am	9:21 pm
June 21	8:23 pm	6:00 pm	June 22	9:15 am	9:23 pm
June 28	8:23 pm	6:00 pm	June 29	9:15 am	9:23 pm