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FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION

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Holocaust Remembrance Day

Never Forget. Never Again.



Yom HaShoah

Thursday, April 8th

Israel Memorial Day
Wednesday, April 14th

YOM
HAZIKARON



Israeli flag at the Western Wall.

Yom Ha'Atzmaut
Israel Independence Day
Thursday, April 15th



Ben-Gurion signing the
Declaration of Independence.



The Knesset



Lag Ba'Omer
Friday, April 30th

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FROM OUR RABBI



Jewish tradition is concerned with the health and well-being of the mind and body. Maimonides wrote, "When one is overpowered by imagination, prolonged

meditation, and avoidance of social contact, which he never exhibited before, or when one avoids pleasant experiences which were in him before, the physician should do nothing before he improves the soul by removing the extreme emotions." Before addressing a person's physical needs, physicians must first attend to their emotional and mental needs. In the traditional *mi she-beirakh* prayer for the sick, we pray for a *refuah sheleimah* (a complete recovery), includes *refuat ha-nefesh* *u'refuat haguf* (healing of the soul and the body). Judaism acknowledges a distinction between mental and physical health. However, tradition treats them on an equal plane, recognizing that both a healthy body and a healthy mind are necessary for human beings to be complete. Needless to say that during this time of COVID-19, we are struggling with both our minds and our bodies.

Another thoughtful approach is offered by Rava (Berakhot 5b). He suggested that in the face of tragedy, we use our acute vulnerability as a source of soul searching and a call to improve ourselves. This wouldn't alter our external circumstances, but it might enrich our internal circumstances and be of tremendous benefit in the long run. It would also keep the aggressive energies from turning depressive, sublimating them into more constructive pursuits. Constructive thinking and personal positivity are something that is still in great need after having dealt with COVID for over a year. No matter when it ends, we need to remain positively focused on staying individually and communally healthy.

Rava's emotional flexibility was in part shaped by his own master Rabbah. Rabbah was famous for opening his

discourses with a joke, with a touch of comic lightness. Once his audience had been opened up, their defenses down, and their emotions receptive, he shifted into a mood of awe and reverence and then began to teach.

Occupying different emotional registers, transitioning from tragedy to construction, these are Jewish values we are much in need of. What is this relevant to today's circumstances? Everything. Although we are very positive and happy that vaccines have arrived and many of us have been vaccinated, the pandemic of COVID-19 has not ended.

Based on the approach of Maimonides, Raba, and Rabbah I would like to reinforce and remind us of an additional way to ensure health and life. We learn this lesson by reminding ourselves: in Judaism, we are supposed to say 100 Brachot (blessings) a day. Additionally, there is a value that goes alongside *Pikuach Nefesh* (saving of a life) that deals with the prevention of *Sakanat Nefeshot* (the endangering of lives). At this time of COVID-19, even with the new mandates, we can still fulfill 1 of the 100 Brachot while at the same time preventing the endangerment of others. Thus, fulfilling the teachings above and so much more.

As we know, Medical Experts and the CDC continue to tell us that wearing a mask is one of those ways we can ensure our safety and those around us. To imbue the wearing of a mask with religious meaning, as well as adding to our daily blessings, I would like to suggest we say the following Bracha (blessing) when continually (daily) putting on our masks:

Blessing for the Mitzvah Of Putting On A Mask

Baruch ata, Adonai Eloheinu,

Melech ha-olam,

Asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav

V'tzivanu al shmirat hanefesh.

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו

מלך העולם

אשר קדשנו במצותיו

וצונו על שמירת הנפש

*Blessed are You, Eternal our God
Sovereign of the world,
who has sanctified us with commandments,
and commanded us to protect life.*

Wearing one in public is both a blessing for ourselves and those around us.

May God shine His healing light upon us all, and may we be able to smile without our masks in the near future.

B'Shalom and Friendship,
Rabbi Andrew Bloom

FROM OUR HAZZAN



Many of the new and unique things that go on today are not really as original as one might think they are. We have been dealing with Coronavirus, quarantine, and wearing masks for over a year now. Our present time is not the first time in history that people have been encouraged to stay at home and wear a mask when in public.

This month we read the Torah portions of Tazria-Metzora. In these readings, we can see that illnesses have been an issue from way back. We read about the approach in diagnosing, treating, and cautions in dealings with people.

Masks: In Leviticus 13:45, "... person with a leprous affection, his clothes shall be rent, his head shall be left bare, AND HE SHALL COVER HIS UPPER LIP..." This passage means that you remove all hair (even beards and mustaches) and the infected clothing. A covering was to hang from the upper lip, like a veil. That seems like they had a mask requirement to me.

Quarantine: Before those verses in Leviticus 13:4-6, we read, "...the priest shall isolate the affected person for seven days. On the seventh day, the priest shall examine him, and if the affection has remained unchanged in color and the disease has not spread on the skin, the priest shall isolate him for another seven days. On the seventh day, the priest shall examine him again: if the affection has faded and had not spread on the skin, the priest shall pronounce him clean." That two-week waiting period reminds me a lot of how long we are supposed to wait after we have had our second vaccination.

Leviticus 13:46 states, "He shall be unclean as long as the disease is on him. Being unclean, HE SHALL DWELL APART; his dwelling shall be outside the camp." Leviticus 13:47-59 speaks of dealing with cloth or articles of skin (leather, parchment, etc.) which have been affected. This passage included the idea of being quarantined for seven days and then another seven days before declaring it clean.

Unfortunately, for some of our community, dealing with the virus was not the only issue. The recent freeze, which caused power outages, produced burst pipes, and a trail of damages has left some homes and belongings ruined with mold and other issues in the aftermath. We can also find texts in these Torah portions relevant to these seemingly unique situations.

Metzora speaks about the cleanliness of people, garments, and the building, down to the stones from which it is made. Leviticus 14:39-42 states that if the plague has spread on the walls, the affected stones will be removed. If the plague returns, then the house is torn down and replaced with a new one.

As the saying goes, "Ein d'var chadash tachat hashamayim." "There is nothing new underneath the heavens." We always try to use our texts to learn and find ways to make them relevant to current situations. Sometimes one has to be very creative to discover the connection. Sometimes it seems to jump out at us. May we all be safe and healthy and "Live Long and Prosper."

Hazzan Jeffrey Weber

LEARNING & ENGAGEMENT CENTER



As I write this article, the month of Adar is closing, and we are about to celebrate Rosh Chodesh Nisan, the month of the Exodus from Egypt. As soon as the Israelites crossed the Red Sea, Moses broke out into song, and Miriam broke out into dance.

During these last few weeks at the LEC, we celebrated two holidays: Purim and Passover.

In the last newsletter, I described all the activities we did for Purim. The speed-reading contest for Haman's sons' names brought new records. Students read the whole paragraph in under 15 seconds. (See the Congregation Ahavath Sholom Learning and Engagement Center's Facebook page for videos of the speed-reading.)



For Passover, we made a Passover plate and learned about the symbolic foods, and decorated a pillow cover to use at the Passover Seder. We sang *Mah Nishtanah*, *Dayenu*, and several other songs and made Matzah "in a hurry."

We acted out the story of the Exodus. Chazzan played a very mean Pharaoh, Morah Perla played a passionate Moses and Chativah class, our oldest grade, played Egyptian taskmasters (not too mean).



**Escaping to Freedom:
Crossing the Red Sea.**

The younger students played the Israelite slaves in Egypt. The slaves had to build pyramids for Pharaoh and only got a short break to eat Maror (romaine lettuce dipped with horseradish sauce).

As the Israelites escaped to freedom, they collected the Matzah they made, and reclined on pillows, enjoying their newfound freedom. As a school we took a moment, to bless and thank God for the Matzah. We sat and celebrated our hands-on Passover fun.

Although during this pandemic, we have been spending a lot of time at home socially distanced, don't forget to celebrate. Celebrate not only the big moments but all the small moments, as we do at the LEC. Celebrate with song and dance, or by "doing."

Wishing you a happy Pesach celebration! And much more to celebrate this spring!

Beh'Shalom 🌿

Becky Bar-Lev Henning, M.A.
Principal, LEC

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is time to Volunteer

I am writing this in early March, as that is the rhythm of our newsletters. I have been writing these now for 11 months. So, other than the High Holy Days, we have not had an open synagogue to go to (unless you want to join us for Minyan). Yet, it has been productive. We have an active board and an active executive committee. Virtually all our Executive Committee Members were at the Purim celebration in February. We had a great time together. But as we age (there are five people on the executive committee that are over 70 out of seven members), we must make more of an effort to get our younger members involved in the running of the Shul.

While we are all in surprisingly good health for our age, we are taking positions that used to be held by people 40 or 50 years old. If Congregation Ahavath Sholom is going to thrive, we must get back to that model. We can only get there if you will raise your hand and volunteer. I know you are tired from work and children's activities. But I can only say, activity at the Shul invigorates you; it does not pull you down.

When Sam Reznikoff asked me to come to Minyan, I was a bit terrified because I had never been to a minyan. I was running a billion-dollar division of Tandy Corporation at that time and thought I was busy. But this good angel sitting on my shoulder said I could spare one morning every other week to make a minyan. As you can well imagine, that effort has significantly enhanced my life today.

When Harry Kahn asked me to come to a B'nai B'rith meeting just one time, it was the beginning of making some lasting friendships that I can count on for whatever I need.

When Elsie Blum asked me to help in the kitchen, that experience may have taught me more than all others. I learned about the Jewish history of Fort Worth from four ladies that lived it. I learned about immigration to America from another lady. I learned about some of the struggles of our Latino community by working with Maria, Gabriel, and the team who works our special events. And I learned the importance of food in our culture. "Feed them, and they will come," came from my mentor, Harry Kahn.

I am sure I got more from volunteering than I ever gave. I got to work with people of huge wealth and people just starting out on their journey. I got to work with people that were striving ahead and others that may have stumbled. I got to work with Democrats and Republicans, and maybe an Independent or two. And every one of them had the same basic instinct. They all wanted to work to make their community a better place than they found it.

In my mind, that is the driver of life. Tikkun Olam, leave the world a better place. I am asking you to give Pattie a call and ask how you can help. We are going to be opening soon. Ask how you can make the Shul more inviting. Ask how you can help bring in new members. Ask how you can help with our school. Ask how you can help in the kitchen. Ask how you can help with the religious committee. Ask how you can help with the cemetery.

I have a simple childlike understanding of God. Not scholarly

at all. And I think Bette Midler summed it up best in her song, From a Distance.

*God is watching us.
God is watching us.
God is watching us.
From a distance.*

Rich Hollander
President, Congregation Ahavath Sholom
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FROM OUR ADMINISTRATOR

Congregation Ahavath Sholom is springing forward, and not just with Daylight Savings Time!



- We welcomed two new members to CAS.
- We celebrated with Reagan Landy's Bat Mitzvah (although a private event).
- Purim was a huge success with over 50 cars in the First Command parking garage, Todd Rice and THEYimprov, car costumes, kids costumes, celebrity judges, and take-home goodies.
- The Building Exploratory Committee received authorization to work with Lake Flato Architects, and the building assessment is nearly complete.
- The HVAC system in the Barnett Sanctuary is approved and replaced. When you can attend services, you will not need to worry about the heat or cold!
- I have submitted our federal Non-Profit Security Grant proposal. We should hear in September whether we are awarded the grant or not.
- Pesach dinners and Seder plate components were a way for us to celebrate Passover together when we could not be together. I hope you enjoyed it!

CAS has provided more outreach and programming than the majority of conservative synagogues. I hope you tuned in for The Beatles, toured Arthur Moses' Houdini collection, and have your calendar marked for the April 11 program, "Is Baseball THE Jewish Sport?"

You are succeeding in a time that has left so many organizations closing doors and shutting down. Way to go, CAS staff and congregants. You are awesome!

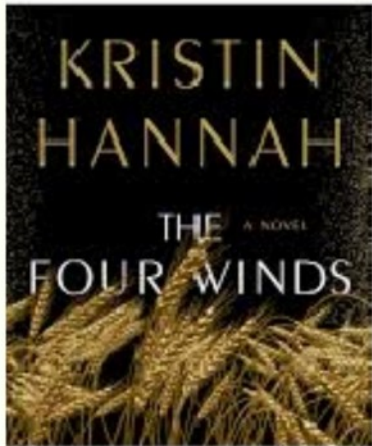
Thanks for being you.

Pattie Wood
CAS Administrator

CAS Board of Directors meetings are open to all congregants.

Meeting dates are listed in the monthly calendar in each Bulletin and are typically held in the synagogue building. Meetings are currently convened remotely (e.g., using Zoom during the COVID-19 epidemic). Please notify the CAS office if you need electronic access information.

LADIES' AUXILIARY



April's read: The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah

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BOOK CLUB

Watch for meeting information in the CAS weekly email.

Isadore Garsek Lodge Grant Award

Attention high school seniors do you have an outstanding academic record? Are you an active participant in BBYO? Here is your opportunity to apply for the two B'nai B'rith scholarships valued at \$1500.00 each. Grants will be presented at a place and time determined by the B'nai B'rith Board. (Detailed information is available in the CAS Weekly Email.)

Written requests should be addressed to:

Robert Chicotsky
Isadore Garsek Grant Selection Committee
4508 Quail Hollow Ct. Fort Worth, TX 76133

Phone: 817-332-3566 Email: rchicotsky@charter.net

Additional details including information about documentation required and deadline date for submission will accompany the application form to be sent to each applicant.

All applications must be postmarked no later than June 30, 2021

CAS NEWS

MEMBERSHIP AT COMMITTEE WORK

Your CAS Membership Committee is at work! In an effort to understand the needs of our community, the committee is creating a series of short surveys. They will be coming to your email in the near future. Please take the 2 minutes (or less) to answer the questions. Your feedback is valuable and needed. The results will be shared with you in the weekly Shabbat Shalom email, which is sent on Thursdays. (Surveys will be sent through our membership program and will **NOT** look like your weekly emails.)



**Soup for the Shul
is back!**

**Mushroom Barley
Soup**

**Order by Tuesday, April 6th.
Pickup on Friday, April 9th
1 PM to 3 PM**

(Limit 2 quarts per household.)

Watch the weekly CAS Email for links to place your order. Computer crashed? Tablet on the fritz? Please call 817-731-4721 and we will take your order over the phone.



**Congregation
Ahavath
Sholom
Gift Shop**

Think of the **CAS Ladies' Auxiliary Gift Shop** before all Jewish holidays and special occasions. Open by appointment.

**Call 817-368-5376
or Email giftshop@ahavathsholom.org**

PARK 'N' PURIM UPDATE

The Park 'N' Purim Event was a huge success. We had over 50 cars in the First Command parking garage. Todd Rice and THEYimprov performed and the Ladies' Auxiliary distributed Purim Boxes to everyone. The kids had fun dressing up in costume and picking prizes out of the Prize Box. Our "celebrity judges" (Sharon Wisch-Ray, Publisher and Editor - TJP, Barry Abels, Executive Director - Jewish Federation of Fort Worth and Tarrant County, and Barbara Weinberg, CAS Member) awarded prizes for car costumes. Thank you to everyone who attended.

Mazal Tov to the Purim Car Contest Winners!

1st Place (Tie):

The Dubinsky Family - "Haman Interactive Game"
The Henning Family - "Haman Family"

2nd Place:

Dr. Richard Marks - "The Whole Megillah"

3rd Place:

Rebecca and Stuart Isgur - "Happy Purim"

Photos (except where noted) courtesy of Pattie Wood, CAS Administrator.



Pictured Above (left to right): Car Costume Judges Sharon Wisch-Ray, Barry Abels, and Barbara Weinberg.

First Place Winners



The Dubinsky Family - "Haman Interactive Game" - How many Hamantaschen you can feed Haman?



The Henning Family - "Haman Family" - Check out the car's hat and mustache!



Second Place Winner



Dr. Richard Marks
"The Whole Megillah"



Ahavath Sholom

Rabbi Andrew Bloom, left, and Hazan Jeffrey Weber aka Peanut Butter and Jelly read the megillah at Ahavath Sholom's parking garage celebration. (Photo: TJP staff)



Third Place Winner



Rebecca and Stuart Isgur
"Happy Purim"

APRIL CALENDAR

Date	Time	Event
Thu. Apr. 1		Passover - Intermediate Day
Fri. Apr. 2		Passover - Intermediate Day (Start Shabbat and Chag Shenei)
Sat. Apr. 3		7th Day Passover
Sun. Apr. 4		8th Day Passover
	9:00 AM	In-Person Service (Including Yizkor Service)
	8:46 PM	Passover Ends Pizza Begins
Mon. Apr. 5	6:30 PM	Executive Committee Meeting
Thu. Apr. 8		Yom Hashoah
Sun. Apr. 11	1:50 PM	Is Baseball <u>The</u> Jewish Sport?
Mon. Apr. 12	6:30 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
Wed. Apr. 14		Yom Hazikaron
Thu. Apr. 15		Yom Ha'atzma'ut
Fri. Apr. 30		Lag Ba'omer



B'NAI B'RITH

Isadore Garsek Lodge # 269

PRESENTS:

The Jewish Experience: USA and Fort Worth

4:00 PM Sunday, May 2, 2021

Speakers:

Dan Mariaschin, CEO B'nai B'rith International

Robert Chicotsky

Gerald Zenick

**Zoom Information Will Be Published
in the CAS Weekly Email**

Save the Date

CAS EVENT

Is Baseball The Jewish Sport?



Batter up! You are invited to participate in an engaging Zoom program that makes the case that baseball is inherent “the” Jewish sport. Whether a die-hard or casual fan, you will enjoy Jonathan Lightman’s fun, fact-filled presentation. Enjoy it from your front-row seat as Jonathan explores baseball’s Jewish themes, both past, and present.

This program is sponsored by the Men’s Club in cooperation with other Tarrant County Brotherhoods and the Jewish Federation of Fort Worth and Tarrant County.

“We are excited to present this program,” said Dan Sturman, Men’s Club President. “We have scheduled it in the afternoon so the whole family can attend.”

Sunday, April 11th

1:50 pm for the pre-game warm-up

2:00 pm for the first pitch

The Registration Link for this event is available in the CAS weekly email or on the CAS website.

PNC Neil and Maxine Goldman Academic Grant

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Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America

Applicants must graduate high school between December 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021. They must also have a letter from their accredited college, university, or technical trade school showing acceptance for admission for the fall 2021 school year. If an applicant is taking a gap year, they must have a letter of acceptance for the spring or fall 2021 school year.

The deadline to apply is June 1, 2021. More information and the Grant Application is available in the weekly CAS email.



The local blood supply needs your immediate attention. We are asking eligible blood donors to please give blood. Schedule your appointment online or call/text 800-366-2834. Walk-Ins are welcome; extended wait time may occur during peak hours.

YAHREZITS - MAY THE MEMORY OF OUR LOVED ONES BE A BLESSING FOREVER

<p>Thu., Apr. 1 19 Nisan Milton Schuster Charlie Tills Ann Salzman Hurwitz Anne Jolly Helen Bodzy</p> <p>Fri., Apr. 2 20 Nisan Leonard Coplin George Corbin Jack B. Friedman Tom Reed Reweka Koppelman Evelyn Michel Bessie Rachel Rosenthal Goldie Tills</p> <p>Sat., Apr. 3 21 Nisan Max Fleischmann Elias Renov Hannah Weisblatt Mickey Loevy Fagin Betty Perlman Shalene Sosland</p> <p>Sun., Apr. 4 22 Nisan Samuel Baum Sam Kimmell Burton Tobor Olive Bercu Rose Greenberg Rose Zimmerman</p> <p>Mon., Apr. 5 23 Nisan Herman Berman Marshall Marvin Blackman Joe Carr I.H. Cohen Elizabeth Edenbaum Sandra Schuster Rowitzer Rose Schwartz</p> <p>Tue., Apr. 6 24 Nisan M A Lesser Maurice H Cohn David Edenbaum Charlie Goldberg Elaine Silverberg</p>	<p>Wed., Apr. 7 25 Nisan David Bernstein Morris Corbin Morris Persky</p> <p>Thu., Apr. 8 26 Nisan Herman Kalin Carl Justin Morgan Thomas Perlman Stanley Raskin Jemeleh Sankary Eleonora Lichtman Bond Blanche Pikkel Ruth Waghalter</p> <p>Fri., Apr. 9 27 Nisan Simon Bloom Julian Joseph Samuel Blackman Irving Isgur Emanuel Kiselstein Anna Harris Regina Kirschner Beverly Pozez Rosenfield</p> <p>Sat., Apr. 10 28 Nisan Joseph Hoffman Martin Perlman Clara Anne Sankary</p> <p>Sun., Apr. 11 29 Nisan Joseph Blum Philip Bloomberg Herman Benjamin Calendar Harry Kramer Hyman Lichtman Joe Zenick</p> <p>Mon., Apr. 12 30 Nisan Leon Kitner Harry Rhein James Rosenthal Maurice Stine Jack Whitman Ann Ruth Kaftan Muriel K. Levin</p>	<p>Tue., Apr. 13 1 Iyar Hyman Jacob Goldstein Isadore Edward Kriesberg Sam Mark Mae Goldstein Smith Rose Marx Elsie Rothfleish Alison Biegel</p> <p>Wed., Apr. 14 2 Iyar Frank Goldberg Sam Mellinger Getlaya Belenkaya Sadie Louis</p> <p>Thu., Apr. 15 3 Iyar Dr. Guillermo Guzman Bernard M Asch Arthur Paderewski Abraham Potnick Charles Rosenberg Mariam Goodstein Stein Dorothy Goldberg Henrietta Levine Goldberg Sima Kisin Tillie Schuster Marks</p> <p>Fri., Apr. 16 4 Iyar Eli Saikin Jacob Goldring Jacob Petrofsky Jack Rashti Ida Applebaum Mary Hendelman Rachel Levy Elathea Passmore Rose Sneidereine</p> <p>Sat., Apr. 17 5 Iyar Selma Corbin Patricia Allbaugh Manguno Lillian Persky Myers</p> <p>Sun., Apr. 18 6 Iyar Saul Freundlich William Schwartz Joseph Shanblum Sarah Kruger Chary Bessie Eisenman Annie Engler Ruth Schreier Levinger Berta Nogen</p>	<p>Sun., Apr. 18 (cnt.) 6 Iyar Edna Schiff Yetta Schwartz</p> <p>Mon., Apr. 19 7 Iyar William Blum Myer Bronstein David Gross Lewis Lamark Israel Radin Harry Wexler Lillian Haller Sankary Charlotte Witebsky Siegel</p> <p>Tue., Apr. 20 8 Iyar John Stein Oscar Glickman Charles Miron John Neft Ethel Friedman Muriel Gachman</p> <p>Wed., Apr. 21 9 Iyar Joe Glazer Louis Kboudi Lilly Gordon Ann Long Annie Schwartz</p> <p>Thu., Apr. 22 10 Iyar Phillip Mendelson Sol Sankary Sarah Brown Lena Factor Gitel Gaetska Rebecca Weinman</p> <p>Fri., Apr. 23 11 Iyar Dr. Louis Levy Saul Zodin Sol Flamholz Newman Roberts Betty Stauber Ruth Carey Belle Silverman Cohen Leslie Joseph Frankrich Sarah Saikin Florence Kossover Schwartz Maxine Zeidman Itzhak J. Karpman</p>	<p>Sat., Apr. 24 12 Iyar Irwin Hertzman Lester Nussbaum, Sr. Max Pila Joe Leo Siegel Audrey Lea Wolpa Mary Teresa Coopersmith Adele Fritzel Lilly Ginsburg Bella Michel Rose Beckoff</p> <p>Sun., Apr. 25 13 Iyar Louis Oxman Harry Sloan Harry Cohen Ben Tudzin Hannah Antweil Bernice Baum</p> <p>Mon., Apr. 26 14 Iyar Morton Schwartz Jack Wolf Marian Goelman</p> <p>Tue., Apr. 27 15 Iyar Harold Baron Sol Dworkin Sam Kaplan Sam (Srul) Kuptsin Bennie Luskey R.D. Moses Michael Nusinovich Sarah Schwartz Engelberg Louise Karotkin</p> <p>Wed., Apr. 28 16 Iyar Martin Leff Leonard Sherman Pearl Gilbert Goldye Goldberg Freda Schlosberg</p> <p>Thu., Apr. 29 17 Iyar Steven Bockstein Reuben Taylor Zelda Perlman Lillian Fendler Savitz Rebecca Tuck Rose Zide</p> <p>Fri., Apr. 30 18 Iyar Frederick Emanuel Tzina Goldberg</p>
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YAHREZITS - MAY THE MEMORY OF OUR LOVED ONES BE A BLESSING FOREVER

CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays

MAZAL TOV! = מזל טוב

April 1	Marilyn Blinderman	April 12	Marvin Beleck	April 24	Robin Tirsun
April 1	Richard Levin	April 12	Joan Katz	April 27	Sean Butler
April 5	Linda Collins	April 13	Dr. Dennis Schuster	April 28	Viqui Litman
April 8	Stephanie Corso	April 13	Judd Vermillion	April 28	Efraim Marco
April 8	Jonathan Kaminsky	April 17	Amy Luskey	April 28	Annie Ostrinsky
April 9	Hanna Hochster	April 17	Sigi Rodriguez	April 29	Mikhail Kisin
April 11	Eliot Barnett	April 20	Dr. Carole Mendelson	April 29	Adelene Myers
April 11	Arnold Gachman	April 20	Dr. Bruce Weiner	April 29	Stephanie Webster
April 11	Martis Herman	April 22	Cookie Kaftan	April 30	Deanna Benjamin
April 11	Naomi Rosenfield	April 23	Michael Williams	April 30	Elaine Bumpus

Anniversaries

April 1	David and Inbal Morris	17 Years
April 7	Laurence and Harriet Anton	53 Years
April 17	Ebrahim and Linda Lavi	33 Years

FROM THE ARCHIVES

This whimsically decorated Jewish War Veterans cap, donated to the Fort Worth Jewish Archives by Will Kutler, tells many stories. It belonged to Will's friend and fellow congregant Arthur Hofstein, a WWII Army scout, high-speed radio operator, and 50-caliber gunner who fought at Normandy Beach and the Battle of the Bulge. Although Hofstein was awarded a Silver Star and three Bronze Stars, he was never boastful. Tears formed in his eyes whenever he recalled buddies who did not survive the war. Hofstein chose to adorn his JWV cap with recent, upbeat mementos that reminded him of his travels and volunteer work. Among the 44 lapel pins covering both sides of his cap are souvenir pins from trips to the Eiffel Tower, the Golden Gate Bridge, and the 2010 Snowball Express that supports children of fallen military. Hofstein, born in 1922, died in 2013 and is buried at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery.

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Dr. Harold Stocker
Sheila Stocker

Dave Klimist Cemetery Beautification Fund

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Harriette and Arnold Gachman
Yahrzeit
In loving memory of:
David Menscher
Harriette and Arnold Gachman

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Yahrzeit (cnt.)
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Cemetery Operating Fund

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Alan Holland
Martis and Chad Herman
Yahrzeit
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Cemetery Operating Fund (cnt.)

Yahrzeit (cnt.)
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THINK ABOUT YOUR HEALTH

In the midst of our rightful concern about the novel coronavirus, we must remember our health can be affected by more than just COVID-19. Dr. Murray Cohen provided us with wonderful facts to keep in mind as we sift through the information presented through media sources. We must be aware that long-established and known viruses and diseases can still attack our bodies. That said, please remember to consider the lives around you.

Our congregation has a large number of members over the age of 60. Most likely, you were vaccinated as a child (think measles, mumps, rubella or diphtheria, pertussis & tetanus). Our immunities from these vaccines diminish with time, which means you will want to talk with your doctors about whether you have active immunities. A blood test can be ordered by your physician to make that determination.

Additionally, please consider getting your flu shot or any other recommended preventative. If you need a vaccine, please do not wait. You do not want to compound one health concern with the potential of another. Stay safe; stay healthy.

PLEASE REMEMBER...

Please remain home if you are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms. Please use your best judgment in following the guidelines from the CDC. It is our responsibility to ensure the safety of all.

ON SITE SERVICES INFORMATION

We're looking forward to seeing everyone as we phase into in-person meetings at CAS. At the same time, we want to ensure that we do this as safely and cautiously as is needed to protect human life by not spreading COVID-19.

WHAT TO EXPECT



CLEANING: Cleaning and sanitizing will occur prior to and following Minyan and Shabbat services in the Barnett Sanctuary. Bathrooms will be cleaned daily with additional surface cleaning during Shabbat services.

FACE MASKS: You will be required to wear facial covering (covers both nose and mouth) unless medical necessity dictates or you are under 2 years old.



PEWS: Every third row is open. Please sit only as a household family unit with three seats between you and the next family unit.



ARRIVAL: When you arrive, please enter through the north doors. You will be provided a mask to wear if you do not have personal facial covering. You are asked to use hand sanitizer at the door. Ushers will assist with seating for Shabbat services.

You will register your attendance (in case a COVID-19 case arises). **EXITING:** Visiting with your friends and family is encouraged **OUTSIDE** the building. Ushers will dismiss by row beginning with the rear and moving forward.

List of Services (these are open to change based upon medical developments):

Schedule of Our Services			
In-Person Services	Time	Online Services (Zoom, Facebook and CAS Website)	Time
Monday—Friday Morning Minyan	6:55 am	Kabbalat Shabbat (Friday)	6:00 pm
Monday—Thursday Evening Minyan	6:00 pm	Shabbat Morning (Saturday)	9:30 am
		Sunday Morning	9:00 am
Special Event Schedule			
Rosh Chodesh (New Month)	6:45 am	National Holidays	9:00 am

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WISH LIST

We are grateful to everyone who has donated their resources to various CAS projects. We have been busy getting ready to re-open the synagogue and have found a few more items that need attention.

Monetary donations to our "Wish List" will help provide:

- **Seasonal Flowers** for outside the Sanctuary Entrance.

Any monetary donations for these items are greatly appreciated! This list will continue to grow and evolve, so know your donations are at work to make CAS reflect the welcome of the congregants.

You may call CAS (817-731-4721) or email (info@ahavathsholom.org) with your donation. Thank you!

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