

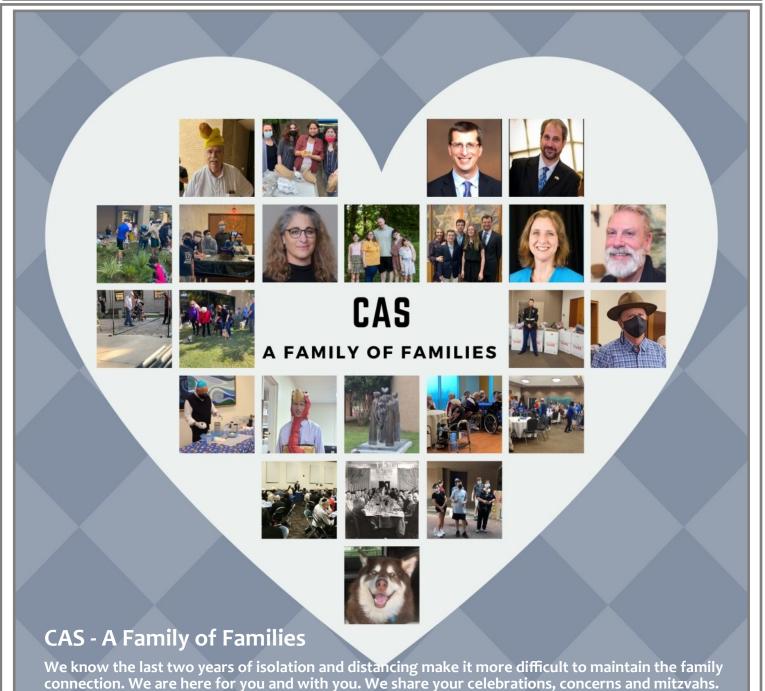
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FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION

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I am sure that we all know many whose hindsight is 20/20. Unbelievably, these same people seem to know how everything will occur. Unfortunately, most of these people "knew" what was going to happen

after everything had been said and done. These sorts of individuals are what the Torah would call false prophets.

The poem "A Lesson from History" by Joseph Morris tells of the "ease" of hindsight and the bravery of action without foresight. The poem reads;

"Everything's easy after it's done; Every battle's a 'cinch' that's won; Every problem is clear that's solved--The earth was round when it \_revolved! But Washington stood amid grave doubt With enemy forces camped about; He could not know how he would fare Till \_after\_ he'd crossed the Delaware."

This poem is very fitting for today's societal atmosphere. It is easy for us to be virologists after the fact but difficult to be leaders during the virus. Why? Because in the first case we can't be wrong and in the second case we must stand up and make decisions. However, like Washington crossing the Delaware and Moses standing at the precipice of the Red Sea, only faith and belief can transform us from false prophets to prophetic leaders. Let us not look backward to find what was, for only by looking around us and towards the future will we know what can be.

This lesson of looking forward and true perspective was written on the walls of Mother Theresa's house and dedicated to the Children of Calcutta.

While these words were on the wall of her house, let us put them into the ventricles of our hearts. Let us remember, "I am wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:14). The words in her house teach us that;

"People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered: forgive them anyway.

"If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives: be kind anyway.

"If you are successful, you'll win some false friends and some true enemies: succeed anyway.

"If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you: be honest and frank anyway.

"What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight: build anyway.

"If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous: be happy anyway.

"The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow: do good anyway.

"Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough: give the world the best you've got anyway.

"You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God: it was never between you and them anyway."

Consequently, we can learn from the sources above that the power of positivity turns into the power of perseverance and prosperity. Perseverance during the difficult moments (after the fact 20/20 hindsight) and prosperity in our positive perspectives on life will help us to achieve our "greatest miracles." Thereby, let us not live by hindsight but with the "wonder" of God's positive mitzvoth and creation.

B'Shalom and Friendship, Rabbi Andrew Bloom



10:30 AM For Women Only 6:30 PM Adult Education

Classes Held Online Only

# FROM OUR HAZZAN



Don't forget that Purim is coming up soon, in the middle of March. This year we are going to have a Beatles-based Purim Spiel. (In case you don't already know what a Purim Spiel is, it is a fun way to tell the story of Purim by putting on a bit of a show or concert.) We're excited that we're going to celebrate Purim together in person! Great Music and Great Fun!

Hey Dudes, to fit the 1960's vibe, be sure to find the COOL clothing and Sunglasses that you have had packed away for a while, MAN. Remember your Bell Bottom Jeans, Bandanas, and Tie Dyed shirts? Heyman, we can even try to have some of you play in our Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Shushan Band. Look for more details very soon. We will need to have rehearsals leading up to this great event. Please let me know if you are interested in participating by contacting me at hazzan.weber@ahavathsholom.org.

Hazzan Weber

### FROM OUR ADMINISTRATOR

Today, Monday, January 17, I am sitting in the office processing the weekend we did not have to experience. My prayers continue for Congregation Beth Israel and Rabbi Charlie. While I am not Jewish, the heartbreak I experience is the same as yours. Good people underwent something no person should have to face.



I want you to know that the DFW synagogue/temple area security chairs will be meeting before you receive this bulletin to review the incident and see how we can continue to partner together and strengthen our security.

Here at CAS, our cemetery committee meets regularly to work on updates to the safety of those visiting the CAS cemetery. Among other things, they are collecting bids for new, level sidewalks.

The CAS facility continues to run smoothly. In light of the Tarrant County COVID situation, all services are in the Barnett Sanctuary, and all Adult Education classes are online only. The LEC spent one week on Zoom to extend the break of in-person classes to five consecutive weeks. Kiddush will continue as "To-Go" until the Tarrant County transmission rates are no longer "HIGH" status. Implementing these steps keep as many people safe and healthy as we can. Our actions speak as loud as our words, and these actions reflect the care we extend to the congregation.

In the meantime, know that the staff continues to work to provide the best information, support, and service for you.

Pattie Wood, Administrator

# **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

We are one month into the New Year, and our world keeps changing.

The hostage situation in Colleyville was such a terrifying experience for the entire community. The nation reacted to the horror that happened to the members of Congregation Beth Israel with sympathy and prayers. We are so fortunate that the hostages were all unharmed.



I want to assure each of you that the safety of our congregants is of the utmost importance. Our board of directors met to review our security procedures and processes. We are in conversations with authorities to keep updated on any developments about what happened in Colleyville as well as any other threats that may exist. We are working with security professionals to develop a plan for safety solutions to address current deficiencies. We will keep you informed of any new developments.

In-person services are a vital link for our future. Without proper security measures, we are vulnerable and open to dangers. After the hostage situation at Congregation Beth Israel, it has become apparent that we must have members of our congregation alongside the police officer to identify individuals as they enter the building/area. This is imperative to ensure there is no breach in security during Shabbat services.

Anyone listening to the news reports knows that as much as we have hoped and prayed for it to be over, COVID is still part of our lives. The Omicron variant numbers continue to rise. With this being said, we have moved our services to the large sanctuary to allow for distancing. We continue to require masks to be worn over the mouth and nose by everyone. If you are not comfortable wearing a mask or not feeling well, please join our services on the Ahavath Sholom Facebook page.

On a positive note, the Learning and Engagement Center continues to hold in-person classes for the Sunday School. We are so proud of our LEC teachers and the great job they do to keep the curriculum interesting and engaging for the kids. If you would like to share your own personal interests (i.e., cooking, needlework, woodworking, gardening, or anything else), please, contact the LEC to volunteer. You can also volunteer as a parent greeter on Sundays. Your involvement increases the safety of our children and congregation.

We are always looking for community volunteers to help, and now any additional assistance with security for religious services and Sunday mornings would be very appreciated.

If you are interested in helping and giving some of your time, please, contact Pattie Wood, Administrator, in the shul office (817-731-4721) with your availability.

Sincerely, Foster Owen, President

# CELEBRATIONS

February 1011

Dates to Remember:

							February
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
30	31	1 Birthdays: Elinor Cooper Sondra Richard	<b>2 Birthdays:</b> Scott Berger JR Faigin	3	<b>4 Birthdays:</b> Stuart Isgur Debra Schwanz	<b>5 Birthdays:</b> Jacob Torbatian	. 1st - 7:00 pm Needles and Nosh
							14th - 6:30 pm Executive Com- mittee Meeting
<b>6 Birthdays:</b> Diana Caesar Mitchell Smith	<b>7 Birthdays:</b> Sabrina Beleck Ben Herman	8 Birthdays: Laurie Werner	9 Anniversary: Jenna & Justin Newhart 1 year Birthdays: Shira Schwarz Judith Sherer	10 Birthdays: Sara Baker Ava Beleck	11	12	21st Presidents Day 6:30 pm Board of Directors Meeting
<b>13 Birthdays:</b> Michael Linn	<b>14 Birthdays:</b> Michael Kuptsin Debby Rice	15	<b>16 Birthday:</b> Gloria Sepp	<b>17 Birthdays:</b> Dr. Misha Galaganov Yetta Gresky Dr. Arthur Pawgan Lon Werner	18	19 Anniversary: Rina & Yevgeniy Ostrinsky 17 years Birthdays: Kerry Dolan Aliyah Rodriguez Ethel Schectman	Looking Ahead: March 16th - Purim Megillah Read- ing
<b>20 Birthdays:</b> Roberta Dubbs Charlotte Goldman William Goldman	21 Birthdays: Zoe Pierce	22	23 Birthdays: Ceil Canter	24 Anniversary: Jennifer and Josh Levi 15 years Birthdays: Ary Kiselstein	25 Anniversary: Suzie & Ben Herman 54 years Birthdays: Alex Frank Mark Rosenfield	26 Birthdays: Eli Johnson Hailey Seiden	
<b>27 Birthdays:</b> Shirley Cohen	28 Birthdays: Dorothy Isgur	1	2	3	Call Clea NONEM Raymond Ma	E R G E N C Y arks clearforktranspo	TRANSPORT 817-353-2098

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Tue., Feb. 1 30 Shevat Eunice Saltzberg Caughey Libby Dworkin Goldman Jacob S Greines Sarah Leah Hofstein Jakob Kirschner Malka Levine Robert Lidell Sally Nesoff Selma Richard

Wed., Feb. 2 1 Adar I Joseph L. Coggan Louis Cohen Gerald Ray Coplin Abe Dworkin Sadie Doris Kaplan Gilbert Dora Gilula Danny Glazer Rebecca Glickman Greene Morton Grossman Sheyna Khayt Ida Nudleman Hava Shafir

Thu., Feb. 3 2 Adar I Liebe Rashe Beren Morry Brown Ruth Fox Bessie Kanoff Abe M. Mehl Ida Robinson Lena Serlin Blake Knowlden Sturman Mary White

Fri., Feb. 4 3 Adar I Paul Ellis Minnie Falkowitz Morris Gosule Margaret Hecht Jennie Kriesberg Aaron Kuperman Cantor Murray Neiman Sol Rome Oscar Schweiger

Sat., Feb. 5 4 Adar I Philip Dan Robert Diamond Joe Friedman Lauretta Magidson Ginsburg Ann Coplin Goldberg Norton Goone Dorothy Karp Beatrice White Levine Sadie Rovinsky Paul Pearl Walen Sun., Feb. 6 5 Adar I Saul Balmuth Sam W. Coplin Dorothy Glazer Leona Gold Renov Fannie Suskin

Mon., Feb. 7 6 Adar I Vivian Berg Frieda Cristol Ben Fox Goldie Fox M.H. Herbert Herzfeld Frank Levingston Felix Nussbaum Rose Perlmutter

Tue., Feb. 8 7 Adar I Alexandra Berger Tony Bergman Shirley Coplin Marion A. Doss Rebecca Goldstein H. Harris Sidney Lippman David Eliezer Manole Clara Morgan Marvy Robinson Bella Manole Rotter

Wed., Feb. 9 8 Adar I Lou Ball Gertie Shanblum Coplin Mose Greines Herbert Gresky Sarah Rachel Kragen Morris Lauber Morris Prager Sherman Resnick Rose Seiden Jeanette "Jean" Aranow Seligman Allen Tilkin Berek Weingarten

> Thu., Feb. 10 9 Adar I Ilya Elgurt Alex Glickman Sol Goldberg Charles Goldstein Harry Levine Diane Novitsky James C. Owen II Ida Rubin Rabbi Alton Silver

Fri., Feb. 11 10 Adar I Annabelle Frankrich Selma Friedman Dr. Zvi Kantor Michael Aaron Krupp Rabbi M.J. Leibson Fri., Feb. 11 (cnt.) 10 Adar I Eugene Louis Simon Dawn Sperling Sosland Alma Mae Walensky Jennie Winkler

Sat., Feb. 12 11 Adar I Rose Goldberg Ethyl Hurwitz Eva L. Hurwitz Sura Erlichman Kuptsin Sam Moses Nat Rakoover A.I. Rubin Harry Rubin Ben Sandler Frances Benson Sole

Sun., Feb. 13 12 Adar I Betty Berger Max Ellis Tzipa Leah Epstein Henry R. Fine Marilyn Friedman Rose Lichtman Ben Schuster

Mon., Feb. 14 13 Adar I Sylvia Appel Peter Berenson Arnold Berger Esther Cooper Lila Ruth Cristol Seymour Fendler Sonia Hirsch Friedman Anna Weisblatt Lenadale R. Werner Raymond White

> Tue., Feb. 15 14 Adar I Esther Anderson Lizzie Dan Marjorie Griver

Wed., Feb. 16 15 Adar I Marlene Baitman David Charles Brozgold Dr. Harold Cohen Joan Cohen Max Frieden Norma Goldberger Fred Litman Sidney Nass Sophia Samorodin Sara Schuster

Thu., Feb. 17 16 Adar I David Beckerman Morris Bloomberg Louis Ginsburg Hinda Salsberg Genevieve Sankary Fri., Feb. 18 17 Adar I Gertrude Isaacs Gilmore Beilia Goikhman Max Grabstald Isadore Greenberg Ted Hoffman Billie Klapper Abraham Isaac Krakow Harold Levingston Jack Lichtman Jay Silverberg Benie D. Upshaw Bess Zoblotsky

Sat., Feb. 19 18 Adar I Betty Carshon Applebaum Geraldine Schumer Brown Hyman Dworkin David T. Greenberg Trudy Rosenberg Kanoff Celia Karten Yetta Dena Lasser Jean Mazer

> Sun., Feb. 20 19 Adar I Edith Dubinsky Cira Friedman Joe D. Herman Edward Marx Isaac Frank Motley

Mon., Feb. 21 20 Adar I Reuben Anton Eve Cohn Martha Corbin Cornelia Crane Abraham Feldman Aydel Fersztman Allen Hendelman Mark H. Rakoover

Tue., Feb. 22 21 Adar I Sarah Edenbaum Mollie Rosen Morris Samorodin Isadore Schultz

Wed., Feb. 23 22 Adar I Isadore Blum Samuel Bodzy Phillip Cohen Sam Colton Benjamin Feldstein Gertrude Sturman Gernsbacher Ita Lea Gordon Dr. Jerry Gurkoff Bertha Mindle Ben Elliot Saltzberg

Thu., Feb. 24 23 Adar I Abraham Alpert Ruth Weisblatt Bernstein Pearl Fleider Ted Sol Hendelman Robert Kragen Jake Luskev Albert Baroukh Mizrahi Reva Nebrat Louis Pozez Erwin Azriel Ritter Leon Sankary Dr. Harold Sydney Stocker Hyman Joseph Tills

Fri., Feb. 25 24 Adar I Hans Conrad Bamberger Anne Blackstone Robert Gurkoff Samuel Hayman Deena Jo Heide-Diesslin Joseph Krosin Marvin Labovitz Milton J. Mehl Elizabeth Radetsky Solomon Taylor

Sat., Feb. 26 25 Adar I Leo Faynbaum Ida Gilden Glazer Rae Smith Hoffner Barbara Ann Leff Melvin M. Meth Pauline Miller Howard Drennan Rector Helen S. Robin Isaac Rosenthal Alvin Rubin

Sun., Feb. 27 26 Adar I Max Dworkin Jackson L. Gray Minnie Kantrovich Jennie Karsner Geraldine Roxy Lachinsky Sylvia Kalin Lauer Helen Patricia Schronk Stan Streusand

Mon., Feb. 28 27 Adar I Otto Berlin Meyer Blinderman Fred Boehm Dorothy Imber Sadie S. Mehl Ida Anton Stine Galit Tadmor Sam Vitemb

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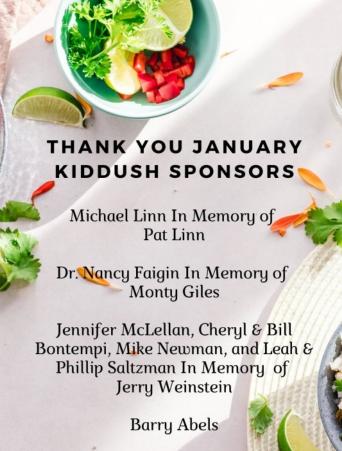
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Jerry Williams



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