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THE RABBI SPEAKS

RABBI BARRY BLOCK



Dear Friends,

As you peruse “Worship At-a-Glance,” you will notice that volunteers are leading most of our services and Torah Study this month. I am most grateful that these generous souls are filling in for me during my sabbatical.

A sabbatical is not to be confused with vacation. The sabbatical is offered and taken in addition to vacation, but that’s not the most important distinction. University faculty are granted sabbaticals to engage in scholarly pursuits—research, writing, and other academic endeavors that cannot be fulfilled locally. Similarly, I deploy my sabbaticals to study, furthering my rabbinic education working on book projects—*The Mussar Torah Commentary*, *The Social Justice Torah Commentary*, and a new book to be developed, beginning this month.

Since 2017, I have spent the greater part of each sabbatical in Israel. I study at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem with amazing teachers and colleagues who span the spectrum of liberal Judaism, including progressive Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, Reconstructionist, and Renewal rabbis, as well as others who consider themselves post-denominational. I come away with new knowledge of Torah and fresh ideas for the congregation, including compelling material for adult learning.

Last year, I availed myself of a new opportunity: The *Asif* (Ingathering) Seminar, an initiative of the Blaustein Center for Pastoral Counseling of Hebrew Union College -Jerusalem. The seminar is at a retreat center in the Arava, Israel’s southern desert, and it includes text study alongside creative arts and movement, moving the mind and the spirit.

WORSHIP AT-A-GLANCE

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES IN JULY

Oneg Shabbat at 5:45 pm
Services at 6:15 pm

FRIDAY, JULY 7
SHABBAT SERVICE,
Led by Eileen Hamilton
Music: David Bauman

Oneg Shabbat hosted by Martha and Charles Alman in memory of the Alman, Eisenkramer, Hirsch, and Schlossberg Families

FRIDAY, JULY 14
SHABBAT SERVICE,
Led by Jana Cohen, David Bauman and the Shechinotes!

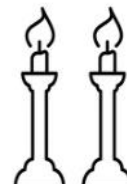
Oneg Shabbat hosted by Annabelle and Henry Tuck in honor of Annabelle’s birthday

FRIDAY, JULY 21
SHABBAT SERVICE,
Led by Eileen Hamilton
Music: David Bauman

Oneg Shabbat hosted by Lynn and Bruce Greenberg in honor of their 45th anniversary

FRIDAY, JULY 28
SHABBAT SERVICE,
Led by Rabbi Block
Sermon: “Finding Comfort at a Troubling Time in Israel”
Music: Jana Cohen

Oneg Shabbat hosted by Kirsta and Keith Nigro



Rabbi's Message, continued.

Most participants are Israeli, which is great for my Hebrew! We even awaken each day at 5am to greet the sunrise.

I do spend a few days both between my time at Hartman and the *Asif* Seminar, and again after the latter, relaxing and deepening my connection to Israel near the beach in Tel Aviv.

The sabbatical is critical for a rabbi serving in geographic isolation from colleagues. The congregation would risk stagnation if Eileen and I did not learn regularly with colleagues across North America and around the world. I particularly value opportunities to study with younger rabbis, who share a new generation's ideas and priorities, as well as perspectives that appeal to our younger adult members.

In any profession, continuing education is beneficial, not only to the professional, but to the people that professional serves: a doctor's patients, an accountant's or attorney's clients, an educator's students, and the like. I am grateful that our congregation's leadership has made a serious commitment to my continuing education.

Thanks to a visionary Board leadership, Congregation B'nai Israel nurtures timeless values and keeps up with the times in our rapidly changing world.

Faithfully,



SOCIAL OUTREACH— SCHOOL BACKPACKS



The Social Action committee is preparing backpacks filled with school supplies for underserved children in the Little Rock School District. **The cost is \$36 per backpack and you may sponsor as many as you wish!**

We will be assembling the backpacks at Temple in August—date TBA. Join us for the fun! If you are not available to “stuff the backpacks” but would be willing to deliver them to area schools, we need your help also!

Send a check to Temple and write “backpacks” in the memo line, or you may call the office at 501.225-9700, and charge the amount to your account. Questions: Kirsta Nigro—kirstanigro1@gmail.com

SATURDAY MORNINGS IN JULY

Shabbat Torah Study at 9:30 am, led by Sam Kauffman on July 1; Lynn and Bruce Greenberg on July 8 and July 22; Rose LeCompte July 15; Rabbi Block July 29.

Shabbat Worship at 11:00 am, led by Annabelle Imber Tuck, with Van Gates reading Torah July 1; Leah Bunting July 8; Emily Adams and Carmen Arick July 15; Annabelle Imber Tuck; July 22; Rabbi Block July 29.

From the T'shuvah Task Force:

We are grateful to those of our congregants and former congregants who have come forward to share their experiences with us. Among the themes which have emerged are the following:

1. Temple leadership needs to be more transparent with members regarding events and decisions affecting the Congregation.
2. Members of the Congregation could benefit from educational opportunities especially in the areas of ethical boundaries and appropriate speech.
3. Members yearn for a Congregational environment that feels loving and supportive, and some feel the Temple falls short in this area.

The Task Force will be making recommendations to the Board of Trustees in an effort to address these themes and any others which may yet emerge. Our process of T'shuvah depends on the shared commitment of the entire Congregation to make our community a safe and sacred space for all of our members. WE NEED YOU! If you would like to share your experience or ask a question about the process, please contact Dr. Carmen Arick (clarickmd@sbcglobal.net). We look forward to hearing from you.

From President Annabelle Imber Tuck
ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

June 20, 2023



In preparing for this annual meeting, I thought about referring everyone to the many excellent written reports submitted by Committee Chairs. These reports give us a full review of the Congregation's journey over the past year. That seemed to be a good idea until I reread the Congregation's Constitution and Bylaws! According to those founding documents, one of the President's duties is "make a written report to the Congregation at its annual meeting of the status of affairs of the Congregation."

Let me begin by acknowledging that our community is emerging from the prolonged two-year period of social isolation brought on by the worldwide COVID pandemic. In person attendance during the High Holy Days in 5783 allowed us to reconnect with each other, especially during the Rosh Hashanah Gala reception! At the Hanukkah luncheon for our seniors, it was a blessing to watch old friends smile and laugh with each other while sharing a delicious meal. The venue for the Purim Shpiel – New York City – gave this southern Jewish community a chance to drown out Haman's name and nosh on NYC deli food. The Temple Passover Seder brought out a large crowd, including lots of children. Likewise, the new Member Shabbat Service and dinner was another chance to celebrate welcoming 16 new families to our community.

Congregation B'nai Israel is currently 300 families strong.

As reflected in the Committee reports, our volunteers are the "secret sauce" at Congregation B'nai Israel. The first Archives program featuring an interview with Sallye Mann attracted many friends from other faiths. Thanks to Jim Pfeifer for creating the exhibit and inviting the families of the "11 courageous women" who stood by Sallye when the Little Rock Junior League rejected her nomination for membership in the late 1960s.

The Kulanu Initiative, chaired by Audrey Evans and Sue Weinstein, created two excellent programs on anti-semitism – one for our Jewish community and the other for the interfaith community. Our congregation also participates in other interfaith activities: co-sponsoring an Afghan family with Trinity Episcopal Church; the Annual Love Thy Neighbor service and Interfaith Food Festival; and the Peace Week Interfaith dinner.

Brian Rosenthal and Carol Parham have worked tirelessly on implementing security improvements to our Temple building and training volunteers. We are grateful to the Ottenheimer Brothers Foundation for its generosity in funding window treatments, new doors, cameras, etc.

Our volunteer musicians create beautiful music for every Shabbat service and the High Holy Days. The highlight of our music during the Simchat Torah Weekend was talented musician Shira Kline! With the establishment of the E. Lee Ronnel Memorial Fund for Cantorial Music, thanks to the generosity of E. Lee Ronnel, Z"l, our congregation had the opportunity to experience Shabbat Services led by Cantor Kevin Margolius and Cantor Kalix Jacobson. Additional guest cantor-in-residence weekends are planned, and our congregation will be welcoming a student cantor from HUC-JIR, Aleksandra Dubov, who will travel from NYC to LR every 3 weeks and serve as our cantor during the coming year.

On the operational front, we are once again fully staffed in the office! I know that Eileen Hamilton is very relieved. The congregation's financial condition is good. Thanks to Eileen, Treasurer Shelly Baron, former Treasurer Janet Korenblat, and our bookkeeper Cheryl Brown for their many hours of work to update our financial records.

The T'shuvah Task Force chaired by Carmen Arick continues its work to provide a forum for congregants to express their thoughts and feelings following the CCAR's public censure of our former Rabbi and his subsequent decision to resign from the CCAR, which, in turn, led to his expulsion from the CCAR. Upon the recommendation of the Task Force, we have invited Rabbi Mary Zamore to join us for the upcoming Selichot weekend. The Task Force will also be inviting the Congregation to participate in crafting a Community Covenant (Brit Kehillah).

In closing, I want to express my heartfelt thanks to the Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees for their support and encouragement throughout this past year. Similarly, I am grateful for our staff – Rabbi Barry Block, Eileen Hamilton, Richard Harris, Bridget McLemore, and Cheryl Brown. They work hard to make sure that we are prepared for every service and event.

In short, the status of affairs at Congregation B'nai Israel is good!

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‘You couldn’t do that again if you tried.....’

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These are the moments we never forget or cherish forever. These are the times we cannot believe our good fortune or regret a split second decision. Some well up at the sound of music, a TV commercial, or a sentimental poem. Sometimes we cannot explain our outcomes, our decisions, or luck. We can only believe that we are all creations of God and have the ability to believe in God’s infinite power and knowledge to guide us through a fulfilling life. Our journeys in Judaism, and in our beliefs of God, will change over time and evolve through our life experiences.

Sometimes we want to talk to God; sometimes we want to hear from God. This year, we will use our ‘OMG Moments’ to record these special and meaningful times in our own OMG jars—private notes to ourselves and to God as we grow, grapple, laugh, cry, and learn more about ourselves and the world around us.



FROM THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION, EDUCATION, AND YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

EILEEN HAMILTON

In June, I attended my nephew's wedding. He was raised Jewish by two Jewish parents; did all the Jewish stuff from religious school, day school, Bar Mitzvah, Confirmation, had an amazing Jewish identity, and even 'looks' Jewish (even though that sounds terrible to put on paper, but he does...) He's the cutest, smartest, funniest guy, who met his *bashert* while living in Brussels, Belgium, during the pandemic – when their relationship blossomed and strengthened. His now wife, she is not Belgian, she is Indian – born and raised in Kolkata. She is Hindi. The wedding this past June was the Jewish version of their wedding celebration from *Ketubah* to *Chuppah*, to the *Hora*. In my brother's speech, he said 'you never know what your kids will bring home to you...', but they adore my nephew's wife and are learning quickly about her culture and traditions as she (and her family) is learning about Ethan being Jewish. Spriha, obviously multi-lingual, learned how to write her name in Hebrew on the *ketubah*. They built a beautiful *chuppah* overlooking the Wasatch Mountains and broke a glass as we all yelled *mazel tov*. Yes, there was also traditional Indian music and Bollywood dancing interspersed, but neither Ethan nor Spriha gave up introducing their rich traditions instead of going 'secular'. Each step was explained so all in attendance, Jew, Hindi, or other, could understand what was going on. Ethan wore traditional Indian garb on Saturday evening for the rehearsal, and Spriha combined a sari and traditional white wedding fabric to make a gown fit for both traditions. Each piece was meaningful and deliberate. I got a lot out of the experience and appreciated each logistic for its intentionality. My brother and sister-in-law are both Jewish, and they both have two Jewish parents, and even had all Jewish grandparents. This is new for them and the family. But we all love Ethan, and now his wife too, and this is their marriage, their wedding, and their new life.

In Judaism, intentionality is important. We do this when we pray, for example by seeking *kavannah* – a focus on what we are doing and saying. It is said that *kavannah* is necessary to fulfill all mitzvot. Sometimes people wrap themselves in a *tallit* to seek that special and finite space to be personally in 'the' prayer space. At the wedding, Ethan and Spriha were wrapped in Ethan's Bar Mitzvah *tallit* as they became 'one' in holy matrimony. They will need to be intentional about what comes next in their lives – which holidays will be marked with special traditions? What designs and decorations will adorn their home, and what traditions will be theirs from both backgrounds.

The good thing is, both cultures and traditions come from intentional places for honoring parents and family. And in this case, both sets of parents are embracing Ethan and Spriha's intellectual and emotional relationship for each other. Instead of asking them questions like 'what will be now' or 'what will the kids be', Ethan and Spriha explore these issues and present their answers in such a considerate and intentional fashion that makes so much sense and has so much meaning. I am really proud of them, because honestly, I am biased. As a Jewish educator, and the Jewish aunt, I want to see their family practice Judaism, of course. But it's not about me...so I appreciate their intentionality immensely and admire them for it. No waffling, no wavering, or justifying...rather a shared appreciation, together, to do what is real and meaningful. That truth must feel good and right to them.

Recently I went to see the movie "Are You There God, It's Me, Margaret". I loved it, sans what the parents left Margaret to grapple about – her religious identity. I felt for her as she sought the difficult answers of who she is and what she will be. That was difficult to watch - a young girl lost, and hard to watch as her parents left that decision to her. How can parents expect kids to make informed decisions about their future without any guidance?

As we all explore who we are, religiously, personally, independently, I hope we can all be a bit like Ethan and Spriha – sure of ourselves, using intellect, emotion, family tradition, respect, and togetherness to do things right, with purpose, direction, and respect.

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Please let our office or Rabbi Block know if you know of someone in need of this mitzvah. Janet Korenblat, committee chair, will be informed of the need.

ONEG SHABBAT HOSTS WANTED...

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The responsibility includes:

- Providing light nosh for 25 people.
- Setting it up before or around 5:30 pm on your assigned Friday.
- Temple provides the platters, wine, water, napkins, and toothpicks.
- Once the food is out, you are done, but you are welcome to take home any leftovers if you choose.
- Make the Oneg a special occasion in honor or memory of a loved one.

Sign up now to be part of this great mitzvah and honor. Selected dates for the spring months are still available. Call Eileen to choose your special Friday.

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- 1st Nathan Bernstein
Melanie Nodelman
- 2nd Robynn Zinser
- 3rd Merrick Fagan
Serena Wolf
- 4th Meg Marion
- 5th Carol Mendel
- 9th Galina Krupitsky
David Shindler
- 10th Arduse Sonnier
- 11th Laura Bogoslavsky
- 12th Rebecca Ivanovsky
- 13th Douglas Meyer
- 14th Rochelle Goldsholl
Toos Pfeifer
Jerome Sherman
- 16th Beth Levi
- 17th Karin Waugh
- 18th Joanne Matson
Cori McGrath
Patricia Monoson
Alan Thalheimer
- 19th Chris Strauss
- 20th Teddy Ferguson
- 21st Alyce Zottoli
- 22nd Morris Levy
- 24th Destiny Adams
- 25th Henry Kramer
Nancy Rosen
- 26th Carmen Arick
- 27th Kathey Ehrenberg
Hannah Lopas
- 28th Parker Lowitz
- 29th Bruce Thalheimer

Birthdays continued

- 30th Saoirse Davidson
Jane Goff
Sylvia Ehrman Green
Joy Liaw
Noel Strauss
- 31st Hannah Reagler
Miriam Reagler

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 1st Barry Goldman and Donna Kirkwood 9 years
- 6th Matthew Lopas and Susan Clark 23 years
- 8th Marina and Mikhail Ivanovsky 31 years
- 11th Tracey and Phillip Spivey 21 years
- 14th Kathy and David Bauman 24 years
- 17th Sheri and Micky Simon 43 years
- 24th Silvana and Ariel Belinski 32 years
- 26th Sheila and Richard Bronfman 34 years
- 28th Peggy and JR Jalenak 68 years
- 30th Betsy and James Aronson 26 years
Melanie and Jeff Nodelman 25 years
- 31st Jane and Scott Levine 37 years



Bonnie Nickol, on the high school graduation of her grandson, Gavin Nickol, who is planning to enter the Engineering Honors College at Temple University.

Marina and Mikhail Ivanovsky on the graduation of their daughter **Rebecca**. Rebecca graduated from Central High School and will attend University of California—Berkeley in the fall.

Jan and Larry Alman, on the engagement of their daughter, **Sydney** to Dr. Kian Parsa. Congratulations also to Sydney’s grandparents, Sallye Mann and Tad and Nancy Phillips.

Debbie Brady on the birth of a grandson, Joseph Peter Brady. The parents are Sophie and Benjamin Brady.



B'nai Israel at Jacobs Camp, Session 1, 2023

Seated, left to right: Harper Bizzell, Jacob Kleinman, Zev Kleinman, Vivian Gold, Gabe Elson, Phillip Levin, Eden Willis, Vivian Rudofsky, Archer Dockter, Juli Keith, and Charlotte Rudofsky

Middle row: Louis Reagler, Andrew Stafford, Sam Levin, Silas Curtis, Milo Krain, Jack Gold, Sadie Elson, Cici Singer, Noah Cardona, Lilah Goldman, Tillie Reagler, Sydney Shemper, and Rebecca Ivanovsky

Back row: Hannah Reagler, Rafael Levi, Mimi Reagler, West Kleinman, Eli Goldman, Devon “Kiwi” Webb, and Rabbi Block



Left to right:

Roxy Sonnier, Ben Casciano, Caroline Goldsholl, Mira Krain, Leah Bunting and Sunny Baker, advisors.

Our new LAFTY Board (and leadership team) is so excited for the upcoming year! This year's focus will be on identity and self-discovery, learning about Jewish values and how they connect to us individually and as a group. An important Jewish value is the idea of Mitzvot, or good and kind acts, and we plan on emphasizing that ideal with Social Action Projects for every part of the year. Our hope is that over the next few years we can build LAFTY back up into an active part of both the temple and NFTY communities!

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We are using the *Rakefet* database to produce our *yahrzeit* lists from now on. If you believe a name of your loved one is missing from our lists, please call the Temple office to let us know. We appreciate you informing us so we can correct and keep our records accurate. Thank you.

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