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LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

THE CHRONICLE

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THE RABBI SPEAKS

RABBI BARRY BLOCK



Dear Friends,

In July, the Internal Revenue Service announced that houses of worship may endorse or oppose candidates for office without endangering their 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status. In less than twenty-four hours, the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism issued a strong condemnation of this policy change, and the Central Conference of American Rabbis and American Conference of Cantors issued a letter to their members, urging Reform rabbis and cantors not to endorse or oppose candidates in our congregational capacity.

Explicit endorsement or opposition to a candidate for office will not happen at Congregation B'nai Israel while I am your rabbi, and not only because my contract includes this sentence: "Rabbi Block agrees that he will not bring partisan politics into his role as Congregational Rabbi." As our Religious Action Center's statement declares, "Permitting synagogues and other houses of worship to endorse or oppose candidates undercuts the integrity and unity of these religious institutions, turning them into an extension of political candidates or parties. Because of the hyper-partisan quality of contemporary politics, this risks dividing congregations and alienating those supporting different parties or candidates, thereby threatening the congregation's status as a place where all feel welcome, rooted in faith teachings and transcending partisanship."

In an age when Republicans and Democrats worship together in very few congregations of any religion in America, we are blessed with partisan diversity at Congregation B'nai Israel.

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WORSHIP AT-A-GLANCE

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES IN AUGUST

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

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1 SHABBAT SERVICE

Led by Rabbi Block
75th Birthday Blessing of Annabelle Imber Tuck
Sermon: "A Hopeful Vision"
Music: Josiah Wheeler and Jana Cohen
Oneg Shabbat Hosts: Kirsta and Keith Nigro
In honor of students returning to school

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8 SHABBAT SERVICE

Led by Ellyn Polsky
D'var Torah: Lee Razer
Music: Jana Cohen and Ellyn Polsky
Oneg Shabbat Hosts: Lynn and Bruce Greenberg

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15 SHABBAT SERVICE

Led by Rabbi Block
Sermon: "Produce of the Fields, Flocks and Herds"
Music: Jana Cohen, David Korenblat, Russ Parish and
Teddy Ferguson
Oneg Shabbat Host: Joanne Matson,
In Celebration of Joanne's birthday

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22 SHABBAT SERVICE

Led by Rabbi Block, E. Lee Ronnel Cantor Lisa Levine,
Sadie Elson, and Gabe Elson
Sermon in Song
Accompanist: Kathy Cooper
Oneg Shabbat Hosts: Julie Polsky and Phil Elson

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29 MISHKAN HaLEV SERVICE IN PREPARATION FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

Led by Rabbi Block
Sermon: "Dissenting Respectfully"
Music: Jana Cohen and Perry Young
Oneg Shabbat, Security, and Bimah Flower Sponsors:
Steve, Trip, and Susan Strauss
In loving memory of Sam Strauss

(The Rabbi Speaks continued from front page)

Nevertheless, I know that some of our more Conservative members feel that the atmosphere at Temple is “political” enough without overtly endorsing or opposing candidates. Some positions preached from the pulpit—and in limited circumstances, taken by the Board—are more prevalent among Democrats than Republicans, a distinction more pronounced among elected officials than within our congregation, particularly on issues such as abortion and nondiscrimination.

When our congregation marked its sesquicentennial in 2016, I learned about the 1966 celebration of the Temple’s 100th birthday. Governor Orval Faubus delivered remarks at the centennial celebration, only eight years after the congregation’s spiritual leader, Rabbi Ira E. Sanders, z”l, had rejected advice that threats to his life should deter him from testifying against an anti-desegregation bill put forward by the governor at the Capitol.

The law prohibiting Rabbi Sanders from endorsing or opposing candidates for office freed him from charges of partisanship when he raised texts from our tradition that led him to oppose racial segregation and white supremacy. Rabbi Sanders’ opposition to segregation was not uniformly well received in the congregation, and perhaps some viewed him as “political,” maybe even partisan, i.e., supporting views principally held by Republicans among state office holders at the time. That, too, never stopped him.

Now that congregational clergy are permitted to endorse and oppose candidates in our official capacities, our advocacy—for or against posting the Ten Commandments in every public-school classroom, or for or against tax cuts that include Medicaid reductions, for example—will likely be viewed even more strongly as endorsement of candidates who share our faith-based positions. That is the real shame of the IRS’s July ruling.

Faithfully,



SATURDAY MORNINGS IN AUGUST

B’nai Mitzvah of Sadie Grace Elson and Gabriel Rubin Elson, Saturday, August 23, at **10:30am**, led by Sadie, Gabe, Rabbi Block and Cantor Levine in the Sanctuary.

Shabbat Torah Study at 9:30am, led by Rabbi Block on August 2, 16, 23, and 30, and by Annabelle Imber Tuck on August 9. Please note that Torah Study will be abbreviated on August 23, ending at 10:15am.

Shabbat Morning Worship at 11am, led by Rabbi Block on August 2, 16, and 30, and by Emily Adams and Carmen Arick on August 9.

Please Join Us in Celebrating the *B’nai Mitzvah* of Sadie Grace Elson & Gabriel Rubin Elson

Shabbat Morning,
August 23, at 10:30am
Followed by a
Kiddush Luncheon.
All are welcome.
Hosted by
**Julie Polsky &
Phil Elson**



July Appreciation Oneg Shabbat Hosts and Donors

Martha and Charles Alman

Annabelle Imber Tuck

Marcy Paul

Trudy and Jerry Jacobson

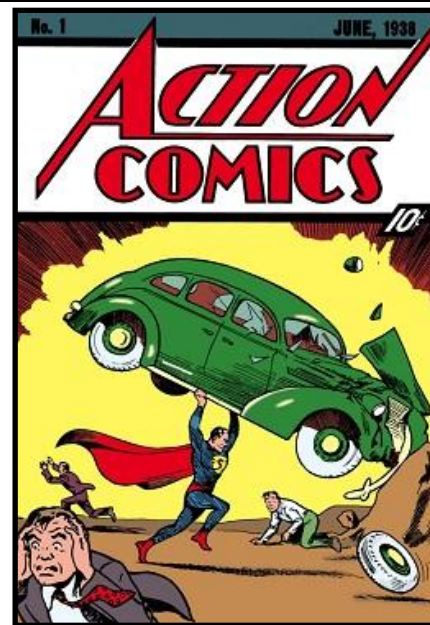
Thaïs Miller

FROM PRESIDENT LEWIS KRAIN

I'm going to take a break from using this column for important Temple business to talk about one of my favorite topics: intersections of Judaism with popular culture. As I write this (I know it will be published a couple weeks later), the new Superman movie has just been released and a discussion rages if it is too "woke," too "PC" etc. Superman is often described as a paragon of American ideals and frequently the subject of Christ-like metaphors, and some feel the latest depiction of the character belies his traditional values.

All this belies the fact that Superman's origins lie strongly in Jewish culture. The creators of Superman were Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster, both of whom were children of Jewish immigrants from Eastern Europe. They created Superman in 1938, as the Nazis were coming to power. Although they never commented directly on comparisons between Superman and Jewish culture, it's hard to ignore elements that clearly overlap. Sent to Earth as a baby, his transportation is always depicted as a small pod, and it feels much like Moses being floated down the river to be found by adoptive parents. His role as protector of his adopted community invokes comparisons to the Golem, and in fact, early Superman spends much time in Europe literally beating up Nazis. Superman's Kryptonian name, Kal-El, can be roughly translated from Hebrew as "voice of God." The new movie itself has a strong Jewish identity. Lead actor David Corenswet is the first Jewish actor to portray the Man of Steel, and Rachel Brosnahan is not Jewish, but came to prominence playing Midge Maisel on *The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel*, a show about a Jewish comedienne in the 1950s.

The point of all this is to remind ourselves that as we debate in 2025 about hidden or overt meanings of popular icons, the contribution and context of Jewish creators needs to be remembered and highlighted. Without this context, it's all too easy to misinterpret these characters and what they are supposed to represent.



Action Comics #1 (1938) by Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster; first appearance of Superman.

The Congregational [Rosh Hashanah Gala](#) follows services on Monday, September 22, and the [Break the Fast](#) follows the closing service on Yom Kippur Day, Thursday, October 2.

ALL ARE CORDIALLY INVITED!

Your contributions for these communal events are greatly appreciated.

Please note on your check your donation wishes for

GALA or BREAK THE FAST

or call the office to make your donation.

Thank you in advance.

SHANAH TOVA!



Welcome Our E. Lee Ronnel Cantor for 2025-26: Cantor Lisa Levine

Cantor Lisa Levine will make her inaugural visit as our congregation's E. Lee Ronnel Cantor, August 23-25. She will officiate with Rabbi Block at Shabbat services for the B'nai Mitzvah of Sadie and Gabe Elson, and she will inspire our Religious School community with music on the first day of this new school year.

Cantor Levine builds bridges through music within and between communities as a composer, author, poet, chaplain, yoga teacher & worship artist. She earned cantorial ordination at Hebrew Union College's Debbie Friedman School of Sacred Music.

In her varied career, Cantor Levine has served large and small congregations around the country and become a well-known composer of Jewish worship and healing music. Her catalogue includes 12 CD

recordings and a choral series published by Transcontinental Music Publications. Her Book/DVD/CD *Yoga Shalom* was published in 2011 by URJ Press. Her poetry appears in dozens of publications, including *The Torah: A Women's Torah Commentary*, Women of Reform Judaism's *Covenant of the Heart* series among many others. Her most recent CD, *This Holy Place*, is a journey of the spirit which includes anthems and prayers for everyday mourning and celebration!

Cantor Lisa is slated to travel to Little Rock twelve times throughout 2025-26, and the arrangement is renewable. She lives in Brookeville, Maryland north of Washington D.C., where she shares her life with her husband Andy, grown children Emily and Louis, puppies Elliot and Frankie and a lazy tomcat Gizmo.

Learn more: cantorlisalevine.com

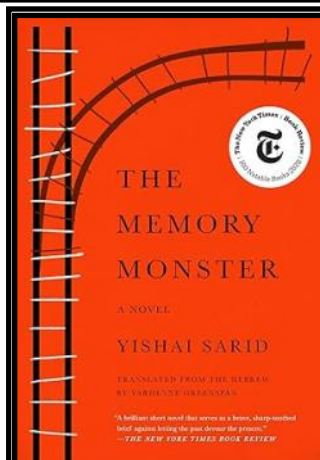
The Interfaith Center presents

Interfaith Jam Session



Come together for an inspiring and participatory evening where music bridges cultures and faiths! Experience a soulful blend of sounds as musicians from diverse backgrounds come together to create harmony through rhythm, melody, and spirit. All are welcome—bring your instrument,

voice, or simply your love for music! At the Interfaith Center, 1616 S Spring St. Little Rock, AR 72206: Sunday August 10 from 5:30pm—7:00pm. Use the QR code to RSVP.



Scan me!

**AL BARRON
BOOK CLUB**
Sunday, August 24
at 3pm, on Zoom
***The Memory
Monster***
by Yishai Sarid

A fictional account of a contemporary Holocaust historian in Israel. "A brilliant short novel that serves as a brave, sharp-toothed brief against letting the past devour the present"
-The New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice

Adult Hebrew at Congregation B'nai Israel

every Sunday when Religious School is in session

10:30-11:30am

Beginning September 21

Level One *Aleph isn't Tough*

will meet in the Library with Shawn Williams

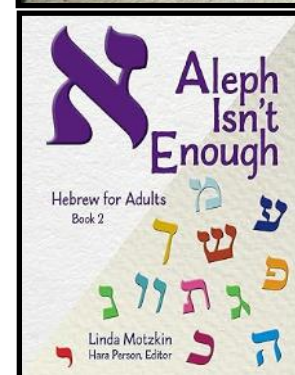
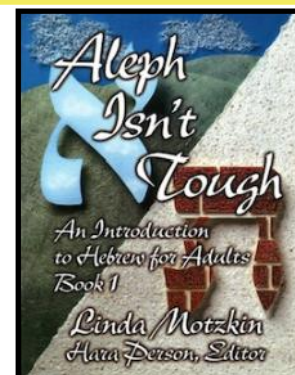
Level Two *Aleph isn't Enough*

will meet in a classroom with Lynn Greenberg

Questions?

Contact Shawn, shawn.amandawilliams@gmail.com, (501)766-7864
or Lynn, librarylyn@att.net, (501) 416-4586

Books available for purchase wherever books are sold.



BACK TO SCHOOL BACKPACKS

Prepared by the Social Outreach Committee

The Social Action committee is preparing backpacks filled with school supplies for underserved children in the Little Rock School District.

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.

The cost is \$36 per backpack,

and you may sponsor as many as you wish!

We will be assembling the backpacks at Temple Sunday Morning August 3. 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!

Questions: Kirsta Nigro—
kirstanigro1@gmail.com



B'nai Israel Religious School
Resumes Sunday August 24

It's Not Too Late to Register for Religious School!

If you are requesting a scholarship
indicate this during registration



Snack donations are accepted at any time.

Congregation B'nai Israel Key Club The Key to Our Future 2025

Teshuvah, repentance, *T'fillah*, prayer, and *Tzedakah*, charity, are the keys of the High Holy Days. The Key Club is Temple B'nai Israel's Traditional High Holiday Tzedakah Campaign to support our congregation's annual budget. The Gift of the Heart contributions only cover a portion of the Temple expenses.

The Key Club will succeed with your help! We ask for the support of those who have given in the past as well as those new to the Key Club. We ask that you make your pledge before Monday, September 8, to ensure that your name is acknowledged in the Rosh Hashanah bulletin, printed and online.

Your gift will help our Temple remain a center for Jewish life, worship and education in Arkansas.

Dr. Lewis Krain, President

Annabelle Imber Tuck, Immediate Past President

Key Club Commitment Levels:

Key Club - \$200

Silver Key Club - \$400

Gold Key Club - \$600

Platinum Key Club - \$1000



YOM KIPPUR BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE



As we look forward to the High Holy Days, we are beginning to prepare the special **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE** with tributes to our beloved departed whose memories are consecrated at our Yizkor Memorial Service on the Day of Atonement.

This booklet, a fitting expression of devotion and respect for our relatives and friends, will be available at the Yizkor Service on Yom Kippur Day. The Yom Kippur Memorial Service is a hallowed tradition of our faith. We hope you will want to observe this sacred custom that combines the mitzvot of loving memory and tzedakah.

Six names may be memorialized for \$54.00 and additional names at \$5.00 per name. Names are due to the Temple office by calling or emailing by Monday, September 15.

High Holy Days 5786-2025

Saturday, September 13

7:30pm – Selichot Program and Service

Monday, September 22 – Rosh Hashanah Eve

8pm – Rosh Hashanah Eve Worship and Gala Oneg Rosh Hashanah

Tuesday, September 23 – Rosh Hashanah Day

10am – Rosh Hashanah Morning Worship

4pm – Tashlich Gathering, “Standing on Our Shoulders,” and a picnic in our beautiful Oakland Jewish Cemetery.

This event, open to congregants and guests of all ages, will include Rosh Hashanah activities designed for children and led by LAFTY.

Wednesday, October 1 – Yom Kippur Eve

8pm – Kol Nidre Service

Thursday, October 2 – Yom Kippur Day

9am – Yom Kippur Children’s Services

10am – Yom Kippur Morning Worship

12:15pm – “My Jewish Journey” Symposium

1:30pm – Yom Kippur Study

3:30pm – Yom Kippur Afternoon Torah Service

4:15pm – Yizkor/Memorial Service

5:30pm – Neila/Concluding Service

6:30pm – Break-the-Fast

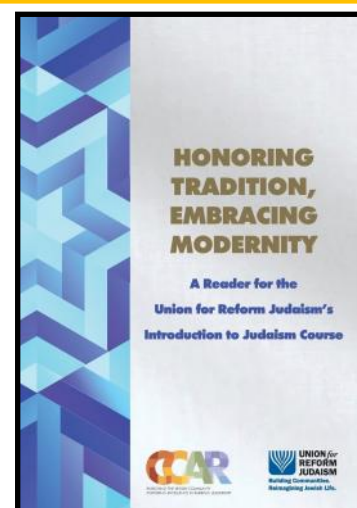


Judaism 101 Begins on August 21

Judaism 101 is our congregation’s course for those seeking comprehensive introductory learning about Judaism. Rabbi Block is the primary teacher for this program, which meets in the Library on Thursday evenings, 7-8:30pm. All are welcome to this program, conducted with the rigor of an undergraduate college course but requiring no prior knowledge.

Judaism 101 students range from congregants who have been Jewish all their lives to non-Jews in relationships with Jews, from those contemplating conversion to Judaism to those eager to be well prepared to raise Jewish children.

The course is free for Temple members, with a cost of \$100 for all others. For all students, the book for the course, *Honoring Tradition, Embracing Modernity: A Reader for the Union for Reform Judaism’s Introduction to Judaism Course*, may be purchased from the Temple for \$36. (Couples taking the course together pay only one tuition fee and are welcome to share the book. For non-members, the cost of the book is in addition to the registration fee.) For more information, please contact Rabbi Block, bblock@bnai-israel.us or (210)387-8785. For registration and book purchase, please contact Luke in the Temple office, (501)225-9700 or LFrauenthal@bnai-israel.us.



Session 2 at Jacobs Camp!



Rabbi Block, Mollie Axelroth, Caroline Krupitsky, Rylee Krupitsky, Eli Krupitsky, Milo Krain, Cici Singer, and Mimi Reagler. Not pictured: Mira Krain, John Mackey Weber and Hannah Reagler, on a day off.



The Interfaith Center has hosted Friendship Camp since 2016 with the mission to foster “interfaith friendships, religious literacy, confidence, and inclusion among children.” This year the weeklong program was held at Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church. More than eight world religions were represented by 53 campers and 47 volunteers from over 26 different congregations. The Jewish Contingent at Friendship Camp included Ellen Biller, Elyn Polsky, Malia Anderson, Charlie Anderson, Conner Rennels, Findley, Reed Dahl, Gabe Elson, Harper Harris, (Not pictured: Afternoon Pickup Supervisors Esther Gordon & Debbie Bentley).

Religious School News

When this issue of the Chronicle hits your inboxes, Congregation B'nai Israel will be gearing up for another fun and exciting year of Religious School. Summer breaks are great, but I've heard from more than a few parents and students that they can't wait to be back at the Temple learning all about our traditions, our place in the world, and how they can be better equipped to go out into the world and make it a better place with a sense of social justice informed by Jewish values.

For me, it will be my first full semester involved in religious school, and I could not be more excited. I am also very much looking forward to our new Cantor, Lisa Levine, who is sure to bring a rich and varied musical education with her every visit.

Summer wasn't a complete break for some of our religious school staff, however. Heather Tolliver, Lee Harris, Findley and I all traveled down to Jackson, Mississippi in June for the Institute of Southern Jewish Life's (ISJL) Southern and Jewish 2025 conference. Together with Jewish educators from across the South, we attended many excellent sessions designed to strengthen us as educators and give us fresh new ideas to relate to our diverse and vibrant student body.

Having never traveled together before, the four of us piled into Lee's SUV as acquaintances and colleagues and got out four hours later as close and inseparable friends. As a team-building experience, Southern and Jewish could not have been better – and as a way to make connections with some of the best and brightest educators across the South, it proved invaluable. From classes on music and *t'fillah* for youngsters to sessions about coping with antisemitism, we were steeped in new ways to look at the world and bring it to our students in interesting and novel ways.

I can only hope that each of you who are part of our religious school are as reinvigorated and energized about the new year as we are. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you on Sundays, and I can't wait to continue our Jewish journey together.

Michael Roberts, Operations Manager



Findley, Heather Tolliver, Michael Roberts, and Lee Harris traveled to Jackson, Mississippi for the three day Southern and Jewish Conference coordinated annually by the Institute of Southern Jewish Life. With 28 featured presenters the conference offers anyone involved in Jewish congregational life an opportunity for "connection, learning, and celebration."

If this seems meaningful to you ISJL has many online offerings and is already organizing a conference for June 21-23, 2026: "Next year in Charlotte, North Carolina."



DONATIONS

Bauman Music Fund

In honor of Peggy & LR Jalenak's
70th Wedding Anniversary
Jill & Steve Bauman

In celebration of Trudy & Jerry Jacobson's
65th Wedding Anniversary
Carol Weisbly

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70th Wedding Anniversary
Carol Weisbly

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In Celebration of Rabbi Levy's 80th Birthday
Galina & Michael Krupitsky

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In honor of Raida Snyderman's 103rd Birthday
Susan Lesser

For the recovery of Lisa Stern
Susan Lesser

Yahrzeit Fund

In memory of Theodore M. Sanders
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Elaine Lewis

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Galina & Michael Krupitsky

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In memory of David Knopping
Anne & Larry Miller

In memory of Dr. Diane Goltz
Dr. Stuart Fleischner

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Herbert and Patty Monoson

Pfeifer Community Outreach Fund

In celebration of Trudy & Jerry Jacobson's
65th Wedding Anniversary
Linda & Gene Pfeifer

Oakland Cemetery Fund

In memory of Lena K. Gates
Van Gates

Storthz Education Fund

In memory of Phyllis Storthz
Doris Krain

In memory of Phyllis Storthz
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In memory of Phyllis Storthz
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In memory of Phyllis Storthz
Loris & Jay Fullerton



Convert Cohort

2025-2026

Southern Jews-by-Choice: Join Our Community!



Support & learning for
southerners converting to Judaism or recently converted.
Monthly Zoom meetings led by Rabbi Salem Pearce.

Use the QR Code
to link to the
ISJL Convert Cohort.



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AGES 26-50

INTERFAITH COUPLES
WELCOME!

WINTER 2025



Join a group from Congregation B'nai Israel, led by Operations Manager Michael Roberts. If you are interested in this very low-cost way to travel to Israel and serve our people, please contact Michael, 501-225-9700 or mroberts@bnai-israel.us.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 st	Ben Casciano Abigail Susan Kennedy Sam Storthz III
2 nd	Betty Moses
5 th	Sara Baker Deborah Bevill
6 th	Dave Grundfest III Andrew Perin
9 th	Rose LeCompte
10 th	Thomas Gerson Andrew Stafford
11 th	James Moses
12 th	Silas Curtis Rhonda Eisenhower Jerry Stern
13 th	Debbie Bentley Larry Miller Barry Uretsky
16 th	Richard Harris Anne Miller
17 th	Janet Franklin Loris Fullerton
18 th	Jeff Brown
19 th	Scotty Hulett Susan West
21 st	Jan Alman
22 nd	Jennifer Ronnel Alexa Strauss
23 rd	Jerry Jacobson Dylan Nodelman Scott Schlesinger Alison Vann

24 th	Alexandra Chrisman Max Perin
25 th	Arnie Nachmann Brian Rosenthal Joseph Wolf
27 th	Katherine Ehrenberg Chuck Prousnitzer Ben Teeter Virginia Kate Vann
28 th	Michael Kaiser
29 th	Jeff Rosenzweig Barbara Thalheimer



Bobbye and Rabbi Gene Levy, on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Theo, son of Anne and Ari Levy, at Temple Sinai in Oakland, California.

Milton Baer, on the birth of his grandson, Henry Jacob Baer, son of Jason and Sadie Baer, in Danville, Illinois.

SEPTEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

September 1	Jennifer and Steve Ronnel	29 years
September 2	Jill and Steve Bauman	46 years
September 2	Sarah and Len Johnson	19 years
September 3	Anne and Larry Miller	58 years
September 3	Karen and David Pear	30 years
September 5	Rebekah Scallet and Joseph Stafford	15 years
September 6	Darcy and Eugene Krupitsky	16 years
September 7	David Goldsholl and Cherry Landfair	28 years
September 9	Daniel Berleant and Joy Liaw	37 years
September 10	Meg Goldberg Marion and Michael Marion	36 years
September 11	Nancy and Bob Rosen	59 years
September 20	Barbara and Paul Spitzberg	47 years
September 22	Judith Zinser and John Oakes	30 years

AUGUST YAHRZEITS**AUGUST 1/2**

Herbert Besser
 Irene Joseph Brooks
 William "Bill" Eiseman
 Jacob N. Fine
 Owen Simon Gerson
 Teanie Green
 Hugo Heiman
 Karl Kahn
 Melvin John Kempner Sr.
 Dr. Oscar Kozberg
 Rene Levy
 Sophia Kahn Lyons
 Marian Matson
 Georgia Maughan
 Irene Palnick
 Phillip Provenzale
 Norman Rabkin
 Laura Richard
 Bernice Sanders
 Edgar Schweig
 George Seligman
 William S. Sherman
 Leonard M. Stern Jr.
 B.J. "Jerry" Tanenbaum
 Bruce Thalheimer, Sr.
 Carolyn Waltzer
 Marlis Wheeler

AUGUST 8/9

Retta Baer
 Carol Banks
 Jack Barrier
 Julian G. Blass
 Janie M. Bushman
 William Arnold Bushman
 Margaret Cohn Caplan
 Grete Zwirn Cohn
 William Cohn
 Harry Gordon
 Sharon Hendrix
 Myer Kaplan
 Elizabeth Ruebel Kempner
 Marcus Simon Kronberg
 Cyril Rose Lee
 Ida Gordon Lerner
 Betty Brinker Lipson
 Richard E. Orgel
 Isaac Pareira
 Betty Prousnitzer
 Hattie F. Prousnitzer
 Annie Rephan
 Malcolm Rosenthal

August 8/9 continued

Tzirel Schiffman
 Mildred A. Scholem
 Sara Etta Seltzer
 Eugene John Stern
 Joseph Martin Tenenbaum
 Sidney Thalheimer
 Sarah Itty Ticker
 Rose Waldman
 Fanny S. Whitney

AUGUST 15/16

Mose Bennett
 Ida Besser
 Francis Simon Brier
 Jack Diner
 Su Easley
 Lydia F. Ehrenberg
 Virginia "Ginger" Goodman
 Dorothy Tenenbaum Grundfest
 Louis Kauffman
 Flora S. Kaufman
 Max Lichtenstadter
 Sheldon M. Luber
 Jake L Marcus
 Octavia Perez Baquero
 Clarence P. Pfeifer
 Harry William Pfeifer
 Mendell 'Bub' Pincus
 Margaret Roberts
 James Z. Sachs
 Hortense Sancier
 Corky Schroeder
 Henrietta O. Siesel
 Anita Simon
 Richard A. Sirvint
 Pete Slager
 Marcia Solomon
 Sol Thalheimer Jr.
 Robbie Blackburn Vogel
 Sol Weisman
 Harlan Simon White

AUGUST 22/23

Meredith Weinstein Baskin
 Harold Diner
 Dan Eichenbaum
 Tillie Feldman
 Frances Shane Fendler
 Anita Levinson Fox
 Lena Kurlansik Gates
 Rosa Gruner
 Alfred Hendrix

August 22/23 continued

Muriel Helen Balsam Kohn
 Eugene Lockwood
 Samuel Louchheim
 Bluma Marks
 Abraham Ottenheimer
 Clara Pfeifer
 Harry Louis Phillips
 Paul E. Pollock
 Ms. Lynne Ravellette
 Sollie J. Salinger
 Zerlena M. Salinger
 William Max Shocket
 Julia R. Simon
 Rosalyn Snyderman
 Andrew Vogel
 Jannell Dillon Wilson

AUGUST 29/30

Rebecca Blass
 Eva Brint
 Libbye Shack Cohn
 Joann Dante
 S. Lasker Ehrman Sr.
 Sylvia Berger Ehrman
 Hannah Elkan
 Lt. Robert Russell Fox
 Henry Hans Hamburger
 Karen Hillman
 Sophie Knopping
 Herbert Sidney Levy
 Dr. Jerome Liebman
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 Laura Young Safferstone
 Sam Strauss Jr.
 Brunette Siesel Thalheimer
 Richard Vine
 Dr Morton C Wilson
 Marjorie C Wise
 Roslyn Sondra Drucker Young





**We mourn the death
of our member:
Ron Bara**



Oakland Jewish Cemetery

Sesquicentennial Year
1874-2024

Dear Members of Congregation B'nai Israel,
effective May 31, 2024 the purchase price of a single cemetery space
in Oakland Jewish Cemetery is now \$1250.00.

If you are interested in purchasing a space or spaces, please
contact the Temple office by phone at 501-225-9700
or by email at templesecretary@bnai-israel.us

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Worship and Music

E. Lee Ronnel Fund for Cantorial Music

Bauman Family Music Fund

Mulkey Sacred Music Fund

Memorial Prayerbook Fund

Service to the Wider Community

Pfeifer Community Outreach Fund

Sisterhood Legacy Endowment Fund

Newfeld Fund for Community Relations

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Education, Youth, Camp and Scholarships

Storthz Religious School Enhancement Fund

Education, Youth, Camp and Scholarships, continued

Meir Chayim Camp Scholarship Fund

Levy Fund for Camp Scholarships

Diner Memorial Fund for Jewish Education

Jordan Memorial Fund for Jewish Education

Mayersohn Leadership Development Fund

Grundfest Israel Scholarship Fund

Rosa Pfeifer Isaacson Scholarship Fund

Leibs Memorial Scholarship Fund

Memorial Fund for Education and Youth

Supporting Congregational Programs

Hallie Cohen Miller Archive Fund

Stern Library Fund

Knoff Family Fund

Lifecycle Support

Vogel Family Caring and Sharing Fund

Oakland Jewish Cemetery Fund