

THE TEMPLE CHRONICLE

THE RABBI SPEAKS RABBI BARRY BLOCK



Dear Friends,
When we gather for our High Holy Days later this month, many if not all of us will have to confess our contribution to the toxic polarization of America.

Our society is dangerously divided, with too few of us able to participate in civil, appropriate discourse about the direction of Arkansas and the United States.

Too often, when we promote our own principles and values, we speak about those who disagree with us as if they wished to destroy Arkansas and America. We embrace our responsibilities as citizens when we support or oppose a candidate for office—and, more importantly, encourage a policy that we believe to be vital or critique one we find destructive. We harm our nation—and, for that matter, our own cause—when we declare those with whom we disagree to be motivated by greed, lust for power, or hatred for America.

The problem is complicated when we sincerely believe that the actions of the policies of an elected official or political party present grave harm to us personally or to those we love. Anger is often a natural, sometimes even an appropriate, response. Lashing out, though, doesn't redress those dangers.

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WORSHIP AT-A-GLANCE

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

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

Friday September 5 Mishkan HaLev Service

in preparation for the High Holy Days,
led by Rabbi Block

Sermon: "Keeping Promises or
Annulling Them"

Music: Jana Cohen & Perry Young

Oneg Shabbat Host: Findley
In loving memory of Brian Findley
on his Birthday

Friday September 12 Mishkan HaLev Service

in preparation for the High Holy Days,
led by Rabbi Block and E. Lee Ronnel Cantor
Lisa Levine

Sermon-in-Song: Cantor Levine's

High Holy Day Favorites

Accompanist: Kathy Cooper

Oneg Shabbat Host:

Katherine & Jason Kennedy

Friday September 19 Mishkan HaLev Service

in preparation for the High Holy Days,
led by Rabbi Block

Sermon: "Choosing Life"

Music: Sunny Baker, Jana Cohen &
Josiah Wheeler

Oneg Shabbat Host: Jane Goff

Friday September 26 Mishkan HaLev Service

*for Shabbat Shuvah, the Shabbat of
Repentance between the High Holy Days,*
led by Rabbi Block

Sermon: "Forgiveness: Justice or Grace?"

Music: Teddy Ferguson & Kathy Cooper

Oneg Shabbat Host: Luke Frauenthal &

Michael Roberts in appreciation of
Congregants of B'nai Israel

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Elected officials frequently display the worst of this divisive behavior, modeling destructive speech to the citizenry. The desire to prevail leads to tearing down rivals. "Compromise" has become a dirty word; our leaders rarely seek consensus or bipartisan solutions. This problem is not new, but it has intensified since the 1990s. Even those of us who remember a time when our society was more civil don't recall how that was done.

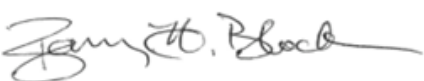
On Saturday, September 13, on the evening when we hold our Selichot service of penitential prayers to prepare for the High Holy Days and dress our Torah scrolls in white, we will have the opportunity to explore better ways to approach political disagreement with Braver Angels of Arkansas. Our panelists, one who identifies more with Democrats—the other, more with Republicans—will not be members of our Temple community. We may learn best from people about whom we have no preconceived notions.

Last summer, my son Daniel interned for our congregant Judge Lee Rudofsky, who is a federal district judge. Speaking to our congregation during the "My Jewish Journey" Yom Kippur Symposium in 2022, Judge Rudofsky described himself as more conservative than most of our congregation, diversity he welcomed with a hope for tolerance.

At the end of Daniel's summer working for him, the judge paid him the highest compliment, saying that Daniel, more progressive than he, argued passionately, persuasively, and respectfully for his views. Long ago, when he was a law student, Judge Rudofsky did the same with the Dean of Harvard Law School, whose views he did not share. Her name? Elena Kagan.

Let each of us resolve to do better in 5786, not to abandon the pursuit of what we believe to be right and just, but to engage with those with whom we disagree, even those whose views we find threatening, with the honor due to every human soul, created in the image Divine.

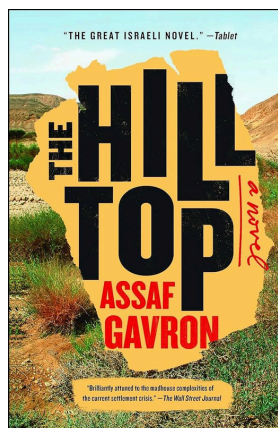
Faithfully,



Saturday Mornings in September

Shabbat Torah Study at 9:30am, led by Rabbi Block on each Shabbat morning in September.

Shabbat Morning Worship at 11:00am, led by Rabbi Block on each Shabbat morning in September.



Al Barron Book Club

Sunday,
October 19
3:00pm,
in the lobby

The Hilltop by
Assaf Gavron

"Mordantly funny and deeply moving, this award-winning novel about life in a West Bank settlement has been hailed as brilliant."

-The New York Times Book Review

August Gratitude

Oneg Shabbat Hosts

Kirsta and Keith Nigro

Lynn and Bruce Greenberg

Joanne Matson

Martha Alman, Debbie Bentley, Rita

Fagan, Doris Krain, Sue Weinstein,

Emily Adams & Carmen Arick

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Julie Polsky and Phil Elson

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FROM PRESIDENT LEWIS KRAIN

In my conversations as President, the health of the Religious School is often used as a proxy for the health of the Congregation as a whole. It's easy to see why; the children of our congregation represent the future of Judaism and our hope for a sustained presence in the Jewish community of Arkansas and beyond. I'm proud to report that this year the Religious School is strong and thriving. Enrollment has increased over last year, with a group of kids that represents both participation from generations-established families as well as families new to the congregation.

Recently I sat in on the planning meeting for the faculty and *madrachim* of the Religious School. These dedicated individuals gave up an extra Sunday morning to iron out details of the 2025-26 school year. It was exciting to see the energy and passion they brought to the table, and I can tell you they are so enthusiastic about their classes and students this year.

One thing the teachers stressed at this meeting was how much they value participation from the rest of the congregation. They were not only talking about participation from parents (which they love), but also how exciting it is when congregants bring their skills or knowledge to the classroom as visiting teachers. The religious school curriculum is not only Hebrew, holidays, and Torah; it also covers general ethics, challenges of growing up, global politics, and our core Jewish values. Our congregation contains individuals of diverse professions who have expertise in all these subjects, and our religious school classes benefit when one of them drops in to share what they know. I have done this myself several times; my experience as a physician is useful in talking about birth, death, aging and other life cycle moments and my training as a psychiatrist has enabled me to do some education about mental health and ethics.

It's easy to assume you have nothing to contribute, but in the mix of career, education, and life experience, all of us can bring something to the table for a 15-minute discussion with a religious school class. Our Religious School is vibrant and thriving; I invite you to be part of it by reaching out to Rabbi, Michael Roberts, or myself to find a way to participate.



Be Still, Together

LOVE the NEIGHBOR

Thursday, September 11 | 6 PM
Saint Mark's Episcopal Church
1000 N Mississippi St, Little Rock, AR

Come together for an interfaith celebration of hope featuring music, prayer, and wisdom from diverse traditions. The celebration will be followed by the Interfaith Food Festival.

All are welcome! You can also join us online on The Interfaith Center's Youtube page.

Sponsored by: Arkansas House of Prayer and The Interfaith Center

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September 15, 2025.

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or call (501)225-6073.



You may view the class brochure & register online now.

There are limited spaces for those who choose paper registrations; we recommend registering online. Online registration is first come, first served, while mailed or telephoned registrations are processed during business hours.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

On August 17th, our religious school faculty and *madrichim* all gathered at the Temple for the first time since the end of the school year with one goal in mind: to make the new school year at Congregation B'nai Israel one of the best we've ever had! The joy and enthusiasm present in the room was palpable, and I felt energized and inspired by everyone present.

We have a lot to be proud about when it comes to religious school. For the first time in many years, our enrollment has increased – and not just by one or two students, but by an impressive seven. That's a 12% increase in enrollment over last year! In a day and age where many Southern Jewish communities fear shrinking numbers, it feels incredible to say that in Little Rock, Jewish life is thriving.

We were also treated to an in-service session with Valerie Klein of the Institute for Southern Jewish Life (ISJL). Valerie is one of the best around when it comes to helping teachers know how to best reach students, not only with education, but on a personal level. We are excited to once again be partnering with ISJL for our curriculum this year, because not only are they grounded in Jewish tradition, but it's an organization that values diversity, equity, and inclusion – something we strive to focus on in everything we do.

On a more somber note, I'd like to thank everyone who attended the FBI-led active intruder training session held on the afternoon of the 17th. This session was well-attended not only by our religious school faculty, but also by many members of our congregation. Keeping our members, students, and guests safe is something we think about at Congregation B'nai Israel daily, and it was good to see so many members of the community come together to learn more about how we can be proactive in facing any threat which might come our way. Many thanks to Special Agent Kimberly Granich for her engaging and informative presentation (pictured below).

Now that our first day of school is behind us, I can't tell you all how much I am looking forward to the rest of the year. Nothing in my job means as much to me as seeing our students learn what it means to be part of our wonderful community, and I am honored to be part of it.

Michael Roberts, Operations Manager



Adult Hebrew at Congregation B'nai Israel Every Sunday when Religious School is in session

Beginning:

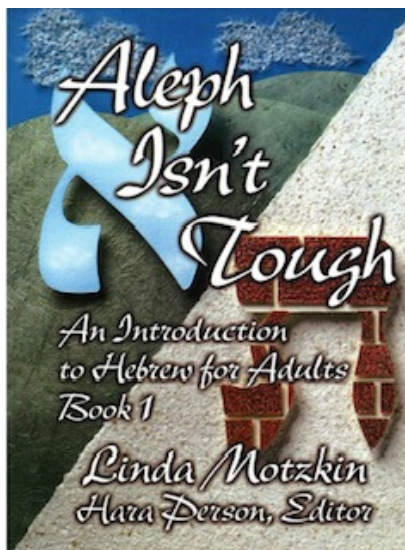
September 21
10:30-11:30am

Level One:

Aleph isn't Tough
will meet in the Library
with Shawn Williams

Questions?

Contact Shawn at
shawn.amandawilliams
@gmail.com
(501)766-7864



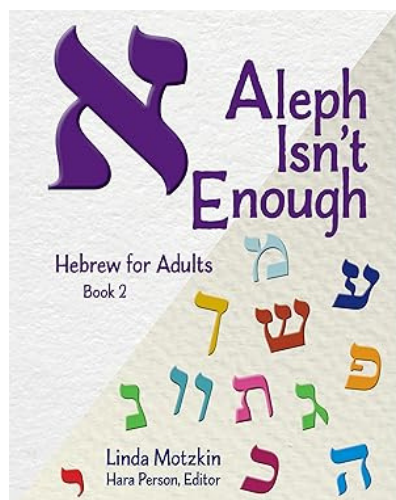
Level Two:

Aleph isn't Enough
will meet in a classroom
with Lynn Greenberg

Questions?

Contact Lynn at
librarylyn@att.net
(501) 416-4586

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**ISRAEL
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AMPLIFY ISRAEL
Stephen Wise Free Synagogue

Kiddush Luncheon

Saturday, September 13
Immediately Following Services

Welcoming

Cantor Lisa Levine

No charge, but reservations required no later than Wednesday, September 10, at 5pm, to lfrauenthal@bnai-israel.us or 501-225-9700.

Sponsored by B'nai Mitzvah Families:

Julie Polsky & Phil Elson,
Alison & Austin Vann,
Amanda & Shawn Williams,
Darcy & Eugene Krupitsky,
and Eoin Dockter



Jewish Humanitarian Mission & Chanukah Celebration in

CUBA

Led by Reb Cantor Lisa Levine

DECEMBER 16-23, 2025

An unforgettable exchange with the people, culture, music, history and legacy of this tragic and triumphant community.

ON OUR MISSION, WE WILL:

- Meet with leaders and members of the communities and learn about Judaism alive in Cuba today
- Celebrate Shabbat with the Patronato community
- Savor the flavors of Cuban cuisine and dance to the beat of the local music
- Commemorate Chanukah with nightly candle lightings
- Explore Old Havana (Havana Vieja), a UNESCO World Heritage site
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- And so much more!*

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Braver Angels Arkansas



*Selichot Program and Service,
As We Prepare for the High Holy Days*

Please Join in a Program with the Arkansas Alliance of Braver Angels

Encouraging respectful engagement among citizens of all political views, to seek common ground on pressing problems in our country, and to support a healthy, functioning democracy

Special Guests: Glen White and April Chatham

Saturday, September 13, 7:30pm

Followed by Reception at 8:30pm

Havdalah and Selichot Service at 9pm

Glen White, PhD is a retired psychologist and founding member of the Arkansas alliance of Braver Angels, now serving as the group's publicity and media coordinator. Prior to his retirement in 2021, Glen worked as a psychologist in the local Veterans Healthcare System, as clinical faculty in the University of Arkansas Medical Center and at Arkansas Children's Hospital, as clinical staff at a local mental health center, and as instructor at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. He also served as training director for UAMS's doctoral psychology internship and for the postdoctoral psychology fellowship at the Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System. His community service throughout his career includes being a leader in state and local Sierra Club chapters, as well as leadership in his professional association, the Arkansas Psychological Association.



April Chatham-Carpenter, PhD is an active volunteer with the national Braver Angels organization. She serves as Co-Chair of the Event Development and Delivery steering team, a workshop moderator for local and national Braver Angels workshops, and a co-host of the Arkansas Braver Angels On the Other Hand podcast. She is a Professor of Applied Communication at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. She researches issues such as innovation and change, use of communication to manage difficult dialogues, transformations in online teaching, and community-based civic renewal. She regularly teaches a university class on Listening and Civil Dialogue, and leads workshops on Conflict Management for outside groups.



HIGH HOLY DAYS 5786 (2025)**Saturday, September 13
Selichot Program and Service****7:30pm – Program with
Braver Angels Arkansas,**

Encouraging respectful engagement
among citizens of all political views

8:30pm – Reception**9:00pm – Selichot Service**

Pray and sing with Rabbi Block and Cantor
Levine, as we ask forgiveness and change
our Torah Scrolls into their magnificent
handmade white covers.

**Monday, September 22
Rosh Hashanah Eve**

8pm – Rosh Hashanah Eve Worship and
Gala Oneg Rosh Hashanah
Sermon: “Learning from American Jewish
History”

**Tuesday, September 23
Rosh Hashanah Day**

10am – Rosh Hashanah Morning Worship
Sermon: “A Spoonful of Honey”

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**

Sermon: “Light on a Very Narrow Bridge”

**Thursday, October 2
Yom Kippur Day**

9am – Yom Kippur Children’s Services,
led by LAFTY

10am – Yom Kippur Morning Worship
Sermon: “Getting It Right, Doing It Right”

**12:15pm – “My Jewish Journey”
Symposium**

with speakers Audrey Evans, Sam
Kauffman, Eugene Krupitsky &
Heather Tolliver

1:30pm – Yom Kippur Study**3:30pm – Yom Kippur Afternoon
Torah Service****4:15pm – Yizkor/Memorial Service**

Sermonette: “Meaningful Yesterdays,
Important Tomorrows”

5:30pm – Neila/Concluding Service**6:30pm – Break-the-Fast**

*Music throughout the High Holy Days
will be coordinated and led by Jana
Cohen, Russ Parish, and Josiah
Wheeler, with the participation of
additional Temple volunteers and
professional musicians. Merrick Fagan
will sound the shofar.*

Congregation B'nai Israel Adult Learning Presents:

**Elul: A Time for *Cheshbon HaNefesh*
Preparing Our Souls for the High Holy Days**

*Sundays, September 7, 14, and 21, 9:30am
In the Temple Library*

Sunday, September 7, 9:30am

The Soul in Torah, Talmud, Writings, and Liturgy – Carmen Arick

Sunday, September 14, 9:30am

Confronting the Mortality of the Body – Carmen Arick
Un'taneh Tokef; Kohelet (Ecclesiastes); Chevrah Kadisha (Burial Society)

Sunday, September 21, 9:30am

Every Soul, Holy Soul – Rabbi Block



Babysitting will be provided

during services on Rosh Hashanah Morning and during the Services on Yom Kippur Day. Reservations are required, no later than Friday, September 19, at 12pm for Rosh Hashanah, and no later than Monday, September 29, at 12pm for Yom Kippur. calling 501-225-9700 or emailing lfrauenthal@bnai-israel.us

The Congregational *Rosh Hashanah Gala* follows services on Monday, September 22.

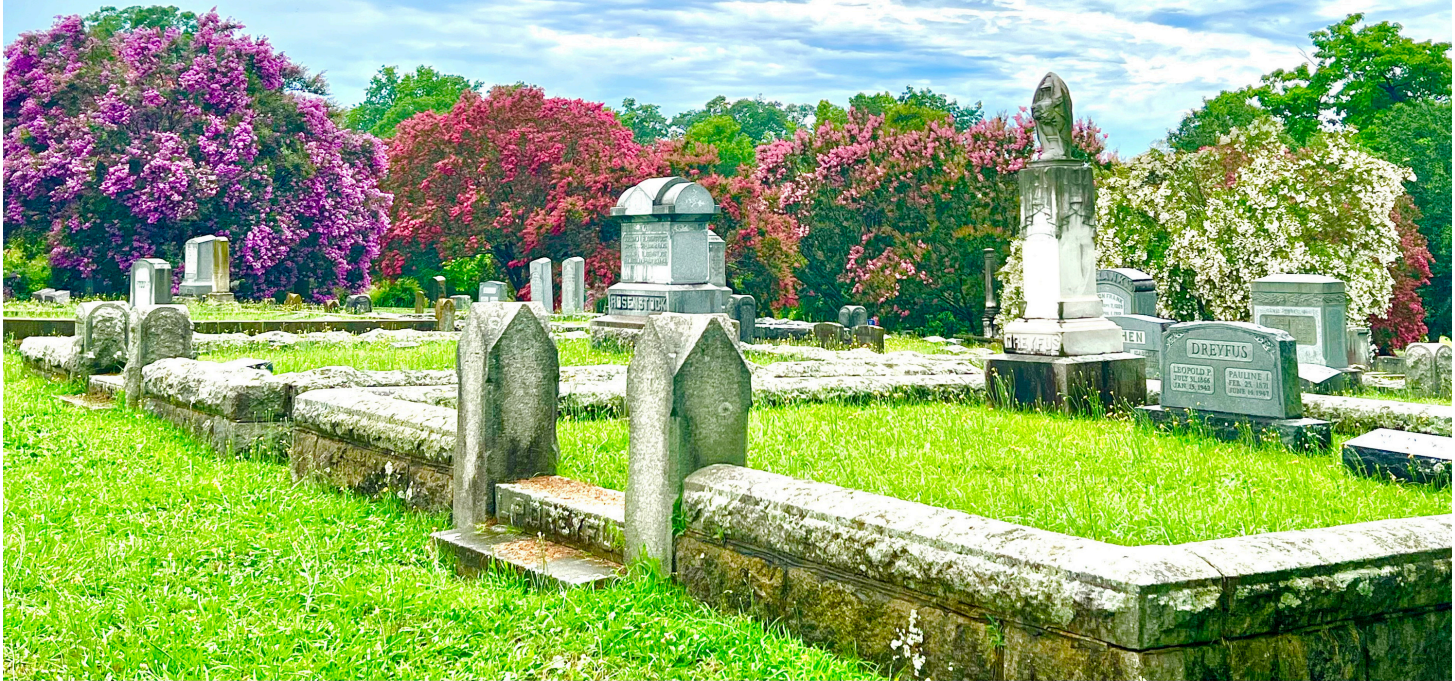
The *Break the Fast* follows the closing service on Yom Kippur Day, Thursday, October 2.

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!

Standing On Their Shoulders: Vivian & Louis Rosen



You won't want to miss this opportunity to meet Temple members from our past, as professional actors deftly bring them to life at Oakland Jewish Cemetery. This popular program will showcase Vivian and Louis Rosen both of blessed memory. *Standing On Their Shoulders* is written and produced by Meg Goldenberg Marion.

Standing on their Shoulders will be held on Rosh Hashanah afternoon, Tuesday, September 23, beginning at 4:00pm, and followed by Tashlich, led by LAFTY. We will then enjoy a Rosh Hashanah congregational picnic in our beautiful, historic cemetery.

Remember to bring sunscreen, hat, and sunglasses—and above all, your picnic dinner. Water will be provided.

This program will be held in the Social Hall at Temple in the event of rain.

2025 High Holy Day School Excuse Letter

Parents and teachers: To obtain our 2025 High Holy Day School Excuse Letter--requesting that schools excuse Jewish students' and teachers' absence on Rosh Hashanah, Tuesday, September 23, and on Yom Kippur, Thursday October 2—please contact Luke in the Temple office, (501)225-9700 or LFrauenthal@bnai-israel.us. By request, Luke will provide a personalized version of the letter, i.e., specifically addressed to your school(s) and including the name(s) of the teacher or student(s) to be excused.

Need to borrow a High Holiday Prayer book to worship at home?

Call the office to reserve your copies. Pick up will begin on September 11. A signed borrowing sheet will be required from all who borrow. All borrowed books must be returned the week following Yom Kippur. *Mishkan HaNefesh* may be purchased either in print or as an e-book at ccarpress.org.

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:

Platinum Key Club - \$1000

Gold Key Club - \$600

Silver Key Club - \$400

Key Club - \$200

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.



Back to School Backpack Donations

The last Oneg Shabbat before the backpack stuffing and delivery featured a back to school theme to thank the Congregation for participating in this meaningful project.

A great crew enjoyed filling the backpacks: Lisa Bridges, Luke Frauenthal, Trudy Jacobson, Fred Levin, Philip Levin, Samuel Levin, Keith Nigro & Kirsta Nigro, project chairperson.

Seventy backpacks were donated to Gibbs International Magnet School, McDermott Elementary School & Bale Elementary as well as the family of our dedicated Temple custodian Rowena Feliciano.



Thanks to Our Donors

Kathy Bauman
Gus Block
Rabbi Barry Block
Lane Boyd
Audrey & Donald Evans
Luke Frauenthal
Trudy and Jerry Jacobson
Sharon Kiel
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Fred Levin

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Candy Levy
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Joanne & Charles Matson
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Dale Ronnel
Nan Selz
Abbey Shoemaker
Annabelle Tuck
Carole & Gary Weisbly

A portion of this project was funded by a generous grant from the Pfeifer Community Outreach Fund

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

2nd Ruthe Kaplan Jason Kennedy John Levin Becca Perin Elizabeth Wagner	8th Bernard Bevill Chad Fusco Tracie Spivey	15th Jane Levine 16th Emily Adams Elizabeth Lucker	24th Rebecca Glover Andy Lawton Luci Rodell
3rd Esther Gordon Eva Levi	9th Nancy Kahn Caitlin Reiss	17th James Aronson	25th Laura Gold
4th Laura Joseph	10th Sonya Hamilton	18th Ariel Berlinski Raymond Weiner	26th Rafael Levi Anna Marks
5th Bonnie Clinton	11th Bari Himelfarb Daniel McGrath	19th Sheri Simon	27th Jack Grundfest Caroline McGrath Barry Solomon
6th Matthew Chrisman Rebecca Cowie Trudy Jacobson Kirsta Nigro	12th Judy Selig 13th Martin Boyle 14th Larry Back Harriet Ruth Baker	20th Elizabeth Cohen Steven Strauss 21st Jack Gold	28th Patrick Ifrah 30th James Moses
7th Michelle Deininger	Peggy Jalenak	23rd Caroline Krupitsky Eugene Pfeifer III Lou Tobian	31st Steve Bauman

OCTOBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Jackie & Jerry Bendorf	October 8	53rd
Jamie & Justin Axelroth	October 11	11th
Dianne & Franklin Richard	October 13	17th
Bruce & Barbara Thalheimer	October 14	52nd
Sylvia Amsler & Lewis Krain	October 18	27th
Candice & Justin Hillman	October 20	9th
Toos & Arthur Pfeifer	October 20	66th
Janet & Scott Korenblat	October 21	36th
Deanna Arrants & Clayton Ward	October 21	8th
Amber Thomas & Ben Teeter	October 26	6th
Karin Waugh & Martin Boyle	October 26	40th
Angelica & Joseph Wolf	October 27	14th
Rickie & Robert Oliva	October 28	2nd
Brooke & Cory Daniels	October 31	3rd



Sunny Baker, who was chosen as a W.K. Kellogg Foundation Global Scholar, a network of change agents, thought leaders and influencers, many of whom are working to transform systems, policies and practices that create conditions for thriving children, working families and equitable communities.

Rebekah Scallet & Joe Stafford, on the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Andrew Stafford**, at Temple Israel in St. Louis.

Susan & Phil Axelroth, whose grandson, **Brayden Friedman**, achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.

SEPTEMBER YAHRZEITS

September 5 / 6

Jonathan Biller
 Sidney H. Bloom
 Toney Dante
 Miriam Sanders Dickinson
 Harry Diner
 Martin Dreyfus
 Erwin Gartenberg
 Rose Hamburger
 Minna Zwirn Lachmann
 Shepp Lesser
 Sarah Dante Lindenberg
 Ann Henriette Selig Lubin
 Rachel Maer
 Edwin Henry Mendel Sr.
 Grace Bloom Menkus
 Hannah Gurinsky Moses
 Myles Oliver
 Alan A. Parker
 Gertrude M. Pfeifer
 Isidore Pop Pinkus
 Esther Besser Schneider
 Max Schott
 Pauline Stern
 Dr. Eugene J. Towbin
 Joseph Weil
 Leah Samuel Weil
 Gene Willis

September 12 / 13

Jeffrey L. Baskin
 Leo Besser
 Harriet Caplan
 Charles Dante
 Rosa Wolf Goldstein
 Bernice Bunny Heyman Hart
 Solon Morris Hart
 Max J. Heiman

September 12/ 13 continued

Diane Lee Hoffman
 Paul D. Hunter
 Elizabeth Levy Loebner
 Maxwell J. Lyons II
 Jennie C. Nussbaum
 Rosa Rosen Pasternack
 Linda Pinkus
 Philip C. Prousnitzer Sr.
 Dr. Howard Schwander
 Winifred B. Schwartz
 Ella Mae Sonnier
 James Wm. Spears
 Alexandra Streiff
 Carolyn S Tenenbaum
 Morris Weller

September 19 / 20

Samuel Alexander Block
 Carolyn H. Bluthenthal
 Hallie Ottenheimer Cohen-Steinhart
 Sally Cohn
 Mollie Dessent
 Patricia Dicker
 Arthur Donner
 Lasker Ehrman Jr.
 Karoline Feibelman
 Clara Pfeifer Frankel
 Henry Friedman
 Sylvia Tucker Friedman
 John Hayden Futrell
 Rachel Amalia Jacobi
 Jerry M. Karr
 Joseph Jacob Kaufman
 Dr. Jerome S. Levy
 Dr. Nathan A. Lewis
 Betty Lyons

September 19 / 20 continued

Lester S. Marks
 Louis A. Narkinsky
 Michael S. Ostrow
 Bessie Pasink
 Lena Pasink
 Janet Loeb Pfeifer
 Sandra Pruitt
 Dortha M. Robinson
 Charles Rodell
 Max Snyderman
 Daniela Imber Vanderzant
 Sam Morris Vogel
 Mildred Strauss Weintraub

September 26 / 27

Samuel R. Cohn
 Powell Dungan
 Ella Navra Ehrenberg
 Norman Shepherd Gilbert
 Louis B. Goldberg
 Carl Gross
 Cherie Hertel
 Fannie Bennett Kaufman
 Freda Koppel
 William Wolf Lipson
 Harry Reich
 Dorothy Riemer
 Hettie Hartman Rubenstein
 Mabel C. Sanders
 Joe Storthz Jr.
 Abe Thalheimer
 August Simon Vogel Jr
 Arnold Zeno

WE RECORD WITH SORROW THE
 DEATH OF OUR MEMBER

ANN FEINSTEIN WILLIAMS



DONATIONS

Endowment Fund

In memory of Ann Feinstein Williams

Ellen & Max Brantley

In memory of Myer Kaplan

Ruthe Kaplan

In celebration of Trudy & Jerry Jacobson's

65th Wedding Anniversary

Dale Ronnel

Yahrzeit Fund

In memory of Rita Baer

Milton Baer

In memory of Rick Sirvint

Shelly Blanksteen

In memory of Priscilla & Jerry Brown

Bonnie Clinton

In memory of Ann Feinstein Williams

Jane Goff

In memory of Phyllis Storthz

Jane Goff

In memory of Sara Etta Seltzer

Nanci L. Goldman

In memory of Stephen Goldman

Nanci L. Goldman

In memory of Ann Feinstein Williams

Ruthe Kaplan

In memory of Isaac Pariera

Keith Maddison

In Memory of Flora S. Kaufman

Keith Maddison

In memory of Bernice Sanders

Keith Maddison

In memory of Joan Fried & Martha Rosenthal

Anne & Larry Miller

In memory of Sophie Knopping

Anne & Larry Miller

In memory of Annette A. Baim

Karen & David Reagler

In memory of Ann Feinstein Williams

Rita Mitchell

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65th Wedding Anniversary

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In memory of Ann Feinstein Williams

Anne & Larry Miller

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