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# Rabbi's Message

Friends,

As we enter into November, I know many of us are looking forward to another Thanksgivikah-Chanukah begins just one day after Thanksgiving weekend, on November 28th. But I've got Israel on the brain. Maybe it's the fact that I am missing my family whom this spring, I won't have seen for three years

because of the Pandemic. Maybe it's the fact that right now, Israel is entering into krembo season; the delicious cookie, topped with marshmallow fluff and a thin coating of chocolate is the official winter treat and I am craving one! Truthfully, I think it's that so much has happened since my last visit: A new government took over and for the first time in Israel's seventy year history, a Reform rabbi has been elected to the K'nesset. Liberal Jews are experiencing some new energy and interest and I'm excited to see where the country is headed.

At the end of October, I was privileged to take part in the program titled "Hinei Mah Tov" which featured a presentation by Rabbi Na'amah Kerman, Dean of the Hebrew Union College and her husband, Professor Elan Ezrachi, who runs a tremendous program at the University of Haifa for Israelis to learn about American Judaism and Jews. It is the first program of its kind, seeking to build bridges between Israeli and North American Jews whose lives are intertwined and who share a common interest in and love for the State of Israel. As Professor Ezrachi noted in his presentation, the Israel in which he grew up, the Israel of the 1950's and 1960's, was one where Americans played little role, where he had no

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# Hanukkah Greetings 5782

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Cheryl Warshaw & Joel Weiss
Gayle Weil & Family
Díane Wolf
Sherry & Scott Wolf
Helen Wolkow

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interaction with them because they were foreigners. This comment struck home with me as I recalled growing up in 1980's Israel where until age ten or so, I had no concept of what American Jewish life even looked like. And yet, when we learn from one another, when we build bridges and come to understand one another as we are, not, as Professor Ezrachi noted, as we think of the other, we have the extraordinary opportunity to build relationships and strengthen the state that is our common heritage and our homeland.

That is why I am so excited about the opportunities we have, upcoming, in November and December. On Sunday, November 7th at noon, Shir Tikvah will join with a group of congregations in the Chicago area to hear Rabbi Gilad Kariv, the first Israeli Reform Rabbi elected to the K'nesset. Rabbi Kariv, the former director of the Israel Religious Action Center and the former CEO of the Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism, will speak to us about his work in Israel's government and about his efforts on behalf of pluralistic Judaism. Rabbi Kariv will present over Zoom. I highly encourage you to take advantage of this extraordinary opportunity to hear directly from Rabbi Kariv. See the flyer in this bulletin or in the weekly e-mail and follow the link to register for this free session. We thank North Shore Congregation Israel for making this program possible and for including us in this exciting program.

Additionally, on Monday evening, December 13th at 7:00 pm, we will join together with Joliet Jewish Congregation and Beth Shalom B'nai Zaken Ethiopian Hebrew Congregation, as we welcome Tal Schneider, Chief Political and Diplomatic Correspondent for the Times of Israel. An experienced journalist, Ms. Schneider brings a wealth of knowledge about Israel's political system and civil society. Tal will join us in person, and will speak to various subsets that make up

Israeli society and their intersection. We look forward to partnering with Rabbi Kuvin, Rabbi Funnye, and their communities to learn more about Israel and its citizens and we encourage you to join us at Joliet Jewish Congregation to hear this interesting speaker. There is no cost to attend this presentation.

I hope you will take advantage of these really wonderful opportunities to learn more about Israel from those who know it best. By coming together, we strengthen the bonds of Jewish peoplehood and hand in hand, we use our power to shape the future of our homeland. I am so incredibly excited to have these speakers join us, and I hope you'll join me in giving them a warm south suburban welcome.

L'hitra'ot! See you soon!

~Rabbi Carmit Harari

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# **President's Message**

It feels like fall today, as temperatures drop, and the leaves are changing colors. I hope everyone had a good High Holiday experience this year whether in person or on Zoom. Services ran smoothly, both in the Shir Tikvah synagogue and the Homewood Science Center. Services continue to evolve, as we adapt to the current circumstances. Although, High Holidays have passed, there is still much going on at Shir Tikvah. Our committees are active, and we are always looking for members with creative ideas and input.

We started a Re-Opening committee, thinking this would be a short-term issue. We thought, once COVID was under control, we would open, and the committee could disband. We now realize, that dealing with COVID will be on going as circumstances change. The committee will continue to meet monthly to discuss the current policy and any potential changes. The committee recently changed the policy to allow food service in the building.

The food must be individually wrapped items or pre-packaged meals. This will allow the JCC Shalom Over 50's to have lunch in the building and an Oneg after services. Beverages can be served in individual containers or pre-filled cups. The kitchens can be used to prepare food for fundraising sales or to be individually wrapped for later use. The kitchens can be used for school learning activities. These changes should bring back a little normality to our routines.

A Technology committee was started last year before High Holidays, to prepare for observing the High Holidays on Zoom. This included learning how to broadcast on Zoom and having someone to monitor the online service such as muting viewers. The other objective was to ensure all our members could access Zoom and learn how to get online. I hope that everyone who wants to access

our activities on Zoom is now capable of logging on to Zoom. We have become good at broadcasting via Zoom. Therefore, the Technology committee has not met since the High Holidays last year.

During the current year, however, we have noticed a need for a Technology committee with a different objective. This was apparent at several events, as the microphone went dead at the Community Shabbat, finding a sound engineer for the Klezmer band or finding assistance to monitor Zoom during High Holidays. We all realize that broadcasting services and events on Zoom is here to stay. For High Holidays, thanks to Larry Burrows and Irwin Friedman, we were able to interface our sound system with Zoom to provide better sound quality for those on Zoom. These changes are happening at the last minute when we realize we have a problem.

We need a committee to determine the best way to manage our activities online and what is required in personnel and equipment to accomplish this. A committee can make sure we have the proper equipment for events or locate the proper service providers to manage what is above our ability. I am not sure if this is part of a Technology committee, but it might be worthwhile to review our content on social media to make sure our communications are getting to the correct audience. This would be a good topic for the committee to discuss. Any members with a good knowledge of technology or social media please let me know if you are interested in joining this committee.

I always mention the Caring Committee that we began last year, because it provides such an important service to the congregation. Committee members make social calls to other members and members on the Mi Shebeirach list. Diedre posts the calls in a system to allow Rabbi and me to be aware of our members' situations. This has proved to be a valuable tool and we have received positive feedback from members who have been contacted. It is not only well received by those being called but also is a mitzvah for those doing the calling. If you are interested in calling or receiving a call, please contact me, Rabbi Harari or Eila Kolton who chairs the committee.

If you enjoyed the educational programs this year or have ideas for different types of programs, please bring your ideas to the Adult Education committee. Last year, someone suggested a performance by a Klezmer band, and it turned out to be our most successful event. The Fundraising committee is a well-attended group that plans our annual events such as the Ad Book, Shalach Manot

and holiday food sales. We are always looking for innovative ideas to raise funds for the congregation.

Ritual issues, services and holidays are managed by the Ritual committee. The Facility committee manages our property, and the Finance committee oversees our investments and prepares the annual budget. There are all kinds of opportunities to volunteer to help and collaborate with other congregation members. Shir Tikvah has much to offer and working together we will keep Shir Tikvah serving our community.

~Jerry Tenny, President







# November

Hard to believe it's November. On October 28, 21 women participated in our Make Your Own Golem Project over Zoom. We appreciated the financial support we received from a grant from JUF. Some of our members will be participating in the WRJ Midwest District's Zoom presentation on Jews of Latin America on Saturday, November 6. We hope that you will participate in Shir Tikvah's Chanukah food sale. Please check the flyer in this bulletin.

Join us on Friday nights as we begin to resume Onegs on a limited basis. We would love to see you.

Wishing you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving.

Chag Sameach Chanukah.

Gayle Weil



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### **November Birthdays**

- Stuart Friedman
- 5 Brian Miller
- 6 Pat Simon
- 6 Debra White
- 8 Terri Palomaki
- 9 Gayle Weil
- 11 Sid Barch
- 11 Gracie Goldberg
- 11 Alene Rutzky
- Beth Snedden 12
- 13 Mark Brachman
- 13 Marilyn Ruche
- Celia-Ann Toll 13
- 17 Amy Bloomberg
- Harold Reisler 17
- 19 Brian Latman
- 21 Bonnie Mosbacher
- 22 Lynn Brown
- 23 Robert Mahler
- 24 Iris Napoleon
- 25 Stewart Lipman
- 27 Sherry Wolf
- 29 Diedre Bodine

# November Anniversaries Judith & Richard L

- Judith & Richard Lieb
- 11 Cathy Burnett & Nacho Tejeda





#### **December Birthdays**

- Mike Larks 12/6
- 12/7 Pamela Toll
- 12/10 Marsha Lotz
- 12/10 Ed Rappaport
- 12/13 Deedee DuBrow
- 12/14 David Herbstman
- 12/14 Michelle Tenny
- 12/15 Marimonica Murray
- 12/16 Lloyd Graff
- 12/17 Judy Levy
- 12/20 Robin Latman
- 12/20 Jim Dreyfus
- 12/20 Dale Robinson
- 12/20 Gary Schwarz
- 12/20 Joel Weiss
- 12/23 Linda Wilkins
- 12/25 Bob Oros
- 12/25 Larry Malis
- 12/28 Jeff Virene
- 12/29 Zachary Larks
- 12/29 Marilynn Tannebaum
- 12/31 Janet Herbstman

### **December Anniversaries**

- 12/4 Michelle & Benjamin Ritter
- 12/21 Gayla & Joel Cahan
- 12/22 Alene & Ronald Rutzky
- 12/28 Pat & Mitch Simon
- 12/30 Judy & Ken Fleischer

If your birthday or anniversary is missing, please email Diedre at office@shir-tikvah-homewood.org & let her know!

### **Yahrzeits**

### Week of 11/5/2021 Jacob Altmann **David Bardige** Josef Biederman Minne Blumstein Jacob Boyarsky Nathan Brin Melissa Carrier Reva Copen Morris Dantzker Molly Fefferman Dr. John Fox Bess Friedheim Ester Frishberg Jeffrey Gerber Stanley P. Goldstein David Greenberg Mary Hochberger Craig Kaplan Lawrence Kaplan **David Kenis** Ricka Landauer Elsa Benningson Lippel Jacki Marcus Jack Mednick Elizabeth Nussbaum Abraham Pechter Herman Riffer **Emil Rosenberg** Neal Russell Pearl Saleh Leo Schwarz Meyer Singer Cantor Herman Steiner Irving Weinberg Rabbi Albert Wolf Samuel J. Yochelson

Harry Zipperstein

# Week of 11/12/2021 Estrella Abadi Israel Beber Frieda (Fromma) Behr Sam Brown Albert Burrows Julius Chasanov Davis S. Cohen Nathan Cohen Rebecca Fleischer Steven Mark Friedheim Charles Fiterman William Frisch Michael D. Gitlitz Gertrude Gold Alfred Goodman Anna Greenberg Charles Hellerman Ida Hellerman Seymour Hite Ruth Kaplan Leonard Kessler Iris Ourach Dr. Abraham Paper Milton Rosenberg Celeste Safcik Ida Saxner Rose Shabelman Juanita Teieda Marshall Virene Julie J. Wecker Amelia Woolf Sol Yates Sol Yurman

### Week of 12/19/2021 Fannie Gerber Altman Felix Bartfeld Wilma Bedford Stanley Blumenthal Bertha Brin Max Buchsbaum Max Dreyfuss Carol Sue Farmer Abraham Fefferman Rita Fiterman Friedell Ida Frohman Stella Gelman Morris Goldberg Dr. Herman Green Roslyn Greenberg Philip Ashley Greene Albert P. Harris **Erwin Kinsky** Larry Klein Pearl Kliff Joan LaBianco Lillian Levy Dr. Isert Lewin Dr. Percy Lightman Fae Adele Lohn Baruch Lorsch Chester Maiewski Shirley Ruth Mandell Robert J. Mayer Norman Mervis Morris Meyer Charles Mozer Sidney H. Navid Frieda Paper Morris Perlman Bertha Polunsky **Bess Proctor** Celia Proctor Morris Roamie Annette Rosenbaum Jack Runes

Irving Weinberg Pauline Wolfson Lee Yates Pauline Zeiger Week of 12/26/2021 Herman Altman Else Altmann Jack Barshay Vera Brachman Natalie Chaiken Eugene Cohn A. David Dosick Miriam Eisenwasser Shirley Fefferman Sam Fruitman Eric Geller Mark Greenburg

Ettel Haspel

Sadie Hemleben

Edythe Kaplan

Simon Kaufman

Clara Walker Herman

Sophie KlamkaSadie

Dorothy Krulee

Goldie Haya Merkin

Henry Landauer

Al Levy

**Curt Lorsch** 

Renee Mirsky

Jack Pelzner

Harry Moeckler

Manny Moeckler

Debbie Perlman

Ren-e Rodgers

James (Jim) G.

Rosenbaum

Gene Salloway

Hvman Schneider

Malka Schwartz

Joseph Schoeneman

Marian Schoeneman

Leo Samson

Joseph Shepell Meyer Sher Bernard Sherman Benjamin Silver Barbara Silverman Samuel Singer Genevieve Sosin Jack Susman Toby Reznick Sussan Louis Turken Alvin Vinik Leanore Zipser



Sadie Brander Stein

Kenneth Sussan

Karen Switt

Mark Webster

### **Tributes**

#### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

### In Memory of

Rebeca Faynshteyn from Ida Raff Sarah Blumenthal from Iris & Daniel Blumenthal Reva Copen from Margie Copen Allen Leibowitz from Sharon Lorsch

Fred Kaiser, Rosie Eisen from Henry Lorsch

### **General Fund**

### In Memory of

Carl Gabovitch from Janice Heiss
Maureen Miller from Michael Miller
Mildred Brazzale from Moan Brazzale
Kurt Gutfreund, Regina Frisch from Julia Gutfreund
Parents & Siblings from Marlene & Harry Hemleben
Mary Gilbert from Jeffrey, Bettie, Barbara, & Melissa

Bernard Live from Judy & Rich Lieb Dr. John Fox from Charlotte Fox Robie Adler from Caryl Chudwin

#### **Best Wishes**

Gilbert

To Edith Buntman for her new life in her new home from Edith Feldmann

### **Sympathy**

To Paulette Williams and family for the death of Leo Wolfson from Ellen Kahn

#### **Choir Fund**

#### In Memory of

Louise Greilsheim from Larry & Nancy Burrows Leo Schwarz from Gary & Barb Schwarz Lewis Stone from Charles Stone

# **Sisterhood Tributes**

#### Mazal Tov!

- To Laura and Jake Eisenwasser in honor of their new granddaughter from Ruth & Sherman Friedman, the Sisterhood Board
- To Gayla and Joel Cahan in honor of Noah's engagement from the Sisterhood Board
- To Joel Cahan celebrating his retirement from the Sisterhood Board
- To llene and George Uhlmann in honor of Daniel's engagement from the Sisterhood Board



We mourn the death of Leo Wolfson, husband of Pauline Wolfson (z"l), father of Paulette, Janine, Fran, and Larry. May his memory forever be a blessing & may his family be comforted among the mourners of Zion & Jerusalem.

# **News You Can Use!**



### November

Exciting happenings are continuing to occur at Shir Tikvah's religious school. This month, Ms. Macey led the Sunday School students in a delicious (their

description) challah making lesson. To go along with the challah, they also made challah covers while learning about the background and traditions associated with the challah. This led to a discussion of holiness and what makes an object holy. They continued the discussion as they examined diverse objects found in a Jewish home. In preparation for Kristallnacht, the students talked about peer pressure, antisemitism, and the beginnings of the Holocaust. Finally, at the end of the month, they met at Art 4 Soul to make an object of Judaica for their home.

Ms. Fefferman has been teaching the Hebrew students everything from the alphabet to prayers while helping them to have fun while learning. On Friday, November 5, they will participate in and help to lead the service. This will be the first of five services that they will help lead this year as they prepare for their bar/bat mitzvah.

The teachers have been excited with the participation and enthusiasm of all the students. To them and to their parents, we say, "Thank you."

Rabbi Harari, Ms. Dieckman, Ms. Macey, and Ms. Fefferman

(No class on November 3, 24, 28)



hank you to everyone who participated and supported our Ad Book & Directory!  $^{\sim}$ The Ad Book Committee

e are exploring the possibility of offering rides to and from services and want to hear from you if you're willing to be a driver! Please either call Diedre or email her. 708-799-4110, office@shir-tikvah-homewood.org.



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	1	2	JUF Zoom Knit/ Crochet 2PM	4 Adv. Hebrew School 4:30PM	5 Kristallnacht Shabbat Evening Service 7:00PM with Religious School Students	6 Reform Service 10:15AM
7 Sunday School 10AM Rabbi Gilad Kariv 12PM	8 WoST Board Board 8PM	9 Shalom Over 50s 11AM-2PM Grande Prairie Singers Rehearsal 7PM	JUF Knit/Crochet 2PM Hebrew School 4:30PM	11 office closed Adv. Hebrew School 4:30PM	12 Shabbat Evening Service 7:30PM	Conservative Service 9:45AM
14 Sunday School 10AM	15	16 Shalom Over 50s 11AM-2PM Grande Prairie Singers Rehearsal 7PM	17 Hebrew School 4:30PM	18 Adv. Hebrew School 4:30PM	19 Floss. Book Club Shabbat Evening Service 7:30PM	20 Reform Service 10:15AM
21 Sunday School 10AM JUF Coat Project	22	23 Shalom Over 50s 11AM-2PM Grande Prairie Singers Rehearsal 7PM Final Day to Order Chanukah Fundraiser	24	25 OFFICE CLOSED THANKSGIVING  Happy Thanksgiving	26 OFFICE CLOSED  Shabbat Evening Service 7:30PM	27 Conservative Service 9:45AM
Chanukah begins	29	Shalom Over 50s 11AM- 2PM Grande Prairie Singers Rehearsal 7PM Pick Up Chanukah Fundraiser 2-4PM				